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Thursday, March 25, 2010

Reorganization creates dispute in SAAHP

Ben Whitmore Assistant News Editor

The School of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation (SAAHP) will undergo controversial changes during the upcoming reorganization of the academic schools and colleges.

As part of President Roy Nirschel's Strategic Plan RWU 20/20, the university is planning a realignment, which will go into effect Jul. 1, 2011, and will group faculty representing various majors with other faculty from different majors currently working under different deans.

According to a letter authored by President Nirschel sent to faculty, Architecture, Engineering, Construction Management and Historic Preservation will be combined into one school, led by current Dean of Architecture, Stephen White. Art and architectural his-

Art and architectural history, currently a part of the SAAHP, will be moved to the proposed College of Communication and the Arts. Besides art and architectural history, the new college will contain communications, creative writing, the languages, English literature, visual arts, music, dance and theater. The school will be lead by current Dean of the Feinstein College of Arts and Sciences, Robert Cole.

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"A key idea is wanting to bring the arts together in a way

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The school of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation will soon be split up into two different schools as part of the academic reorganization.

Senior receives Outstanding Peer Educator Award

Herald Staff Report

Roger Williams
University Health and
Wellness Educator
(HAWE), Hannah
Freedman, was honored at the recent
BACCHUS Network regional conference for
her peer education efforts at RWU and the
local community.

Freedman received the BACCHUS Area 10 Outstanding Peer Educator Award on Feb. 27 at Suffolk University in Boston, Mass. This award is given to a peer educator who has demonstrated commitment to their peer education program, excelled in leadership roles and maintained academic success.

Freedman is an RWU senior studying communications with a minor in political science. She joined the Health and Wellness Educator program as a sophomore. In 2008, she was appointed to

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Hannah Freedman and Donna Darmody pose after Freedman won an Outstanding Peer Educator Award.

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The above graph shows the change in tuition over the past several years, according to data from the school.

Tuition will rise 3.5%

Keira Haley Herald Staff Reporter

Roger Williams University will increase tuition 3.5 percent for the 2010-2011 academic year, according to the university's head of finance. The raise is exactly the same percentage as last year's tuition boost. The increase should set next

year's tuition at \$35,794, excluding architecture majors. Room and board costs and fees will likewise raise 3.5 percent.

"We've taken into account the fact that families are struggling as well," said RWU Vice President for Finance James Noonan. "Last year we had the lowest increase of tuition in the history of the univer-

While other schools are struggling in this harsh economic climate, universities all across the nation have been raising tuition more drastically, especially at state universities such as the Universities such as the Univer-

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Students go to Turkey for conference

Kelleigh Welch Editor-in-Chief

From Mar. 1 to 5, three members of the RWU chapter of Model United Nations (MUN) attended a conference in Antalya, Turkey at the Chateau Presitge. The students in attendance included Russell Feely, Ziad Achkar and Corey Egan.

At MUN conferences, students from schools across the country and around the world are assigned countries to represent, and split into committees to solve world issues as the United Nations would. The students spend the conference negotiating potential solutions

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Corey Eagan, Russel Feeley and Ziad Achkar

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LNG execs came to Bristol

Bristol Town Council members were able question Hess executives about the proposed liquefied natural gas terminal (LNG) in Mt. Hope Bay, The Bristol Phoenix reported. Hess corporate Vice President showed clips from a presentation created by Save Bristol Harbor and refuted points made about the LNG project.

Earth Hour to save energy

Earth Hour starts Mar. 27 at 8:30 p.m. Participants will shut their lights off for one hour. The event is aimed to send a message that Americans care about climate change. For more information visit myearthhour.org.

Food Drives on Campus

There are several food drives going on around campus. The Feinstein center is running a peanut butter and jelly food drive. People can bring peanut butter and jelly to the Feinstein center in the farmhouse across from the Commons. The RWU Athletic Training Department is collecting non-perishable food items until Mar.

Help needed for Commencement

Special Events and Conferences is looking for students to work at Commencement on May 22. Students who work as parking attendants will earn \$50 on their Unicard since they will not be able to view the ceremony. To be considered visit Special Events and Conferences or e-mail dburgo@rwu.edu.

National Anthem singer needed

Applications for the National Anthem Singer will be accepted until Apr. 9. They are available in Special Events and Conferences.

SAAHP: Administrator, students, professors weigh in on upcoming academic reorganization

that isn't currently in the struc-

ture," White sau.
"People reorganize to better achieve what they're seeking, or even better achieve things that maybe they weren't able to seek," White said.

"I think part of the president's vision is 'What if we can integrate things that are currently fragmented, to make them better?" White said.

"Things aren't meant to be going away, they're meant to be brought into better relation or in a more productive rela-

tionship," White said. In his letter to faculty, Nirschel said, "We will work to give our graduates a compre-hensive learning experience, acknowledging the intercon-nection of these disciplines, with respect for the integrity of each of them."

Some aspects of the architecture program will remain unchanged after the

reorganization, White said. "Officially there's only one [visual] arts course requirement in the architecture program. It's not going away. A lot of architecture majors minor in the visual arts or core concentrate. It's still going to be there. The same with art and architectural history - there's multiple requirements in those areas. They are remaining," White

"If you look at the specifics of the curriculum it doesn't change in the reorganization," White said.

"We can continue that relationship of the culture of interaction [between art and architecture]. It doesn't change the teaching of architecture and its kind of balance of artistic and technical content or abilities. None of us want to lose that balance," White said.

"One other thing that several students have asked me about is 'Well, what about the architecture program accreditation?' ... I've been on the national board of directors ... for the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture and I've been on accreditation visits. This reorganization is not a

threat in any way to our accreditation," White said. On Mar. 10, White and

Provost Laura DeAbruna held an informational meeting attended by student representatives from the RWU branch of the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS) and many Visual Arts and Historic

Preservation students.
"I think after that meeting there was a lot of unanswered questions ... some things were clarified a little bit, but we're really looking forward to speaking more with the administra-tion about this and with president Nirschel," said Mandy Wannall, President of AIAS and a fourth-year Architecture major.

"I think a lot of the concern with students right now is simply the fact that we didn't really know what was going on and all this seemed to spur out of nowhere and right now I think it's just a lack of knowing what's going to happen to our program in the future," Wan-

Nirschel, DeAbruna, White, and representatives from the AIAS are planning a meeting to further discuss the upcoming reorganization. No date has been set for the meeting. In regards to the upcoming

meeting, White said students have been asked to submit their questions via e-mail to either him or Wannall. As of Mar. 23, only one student e-mailed questions to Wannall, she said.

"I think people are more vocal about it than they're willing to put down on paper," Wannall said.

Architecture students voiced concerns regarding the separation of art and architectural history from the School of Architecture.

'The whole reason a lot of us applied to this school was because it is the school of art architecture and historic preservation ... and we came here because of the arts," said Chris Kelusak, second-year architecture major.

"The beauty of architecture is that it's both a science and an art and they want to break one bond to create another. They want to take away an art from it to integrate technology," said Michael Tan-creddi, second-year architecture major.

"I think that in the real world situation I'm going to have to deal with things that are technological and scientific and I'm going to have to know these construction materials and know these engineering terms and ways to become successful. At the same time I'm going to also have to be fluent in the arts and be able to express myself in different ways," Tancreddi said.

Students also "I think a lot of the concern with students technology, part history of expressed disappointment that right now is simply they were the fact that we didn't not consulted prior really know what was to the announcement going on..." of the reorganization. — Mandy Wannall "I can

speak for a lot of other students in saying we didn't really appreciate the reconstruction phases happening without any of our

acknowledgement or having our opinion," Tancreddi said. "If you're going to restructure the whole university, wouldn't you start by talking with the students?" a fourthyear architecture major, who asked not to be named for fear of alienating the administra-

Students are not the only people affected by the upcoming realignment - one architecture professor said she thinks the reorganization will bring unwelcome changes to the school of architecture.

Architecture professor Ulker Copur said she fears los-ing the ability to coordinate with art and architectural history professors once they are relocated to another building. Although it will take time for a physical relocation to happen,

Copur said she worries that keeping the art aspect of the architecture curriculum will become increasingly difficult.

"I think the university has all the good intentions to do this reorganization. I applaud the vision for that. But somehow in the whole picture I think we are the losers. Maybe the rest are the gainers," Copur

Gail Fenske, an architecture professor, said she thinks that the combining of engineering and construction management into the school of architecture would not hurt her ability to teach her courses. "I teach the history of ar-

chitecture. It's part history of construction, part history of the art of architecture, part history of ideas. My teaching, I'd like to think, would not change much." Fenske

said she thinks RWU's architecture program distinguishes itself from other school's programs because "it has many facets. It's not RISD, an 'art school.' It's not Went-worth, which is a 'technical school.' And I think that's why many really good students chose to come here. They chose us over RISD over Wentworth because we are broad. We embrace all of architec-

"We have a very strong identity right now and that's what attracts such a strong group of students," Fenske

"Our identity is a strength. We do not want to lose it going forward," Fenske said.

Students can reach White at swhite@rwu.edu and Wan-

awannall727@g.rwu.edu.

STUDENT: Freedman wins award

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the eleven-member National **BACCHUS Network student** advisory committee becoming the communications liaison for the Northeast. The BACCHUS Network is a university- and communitybased association that emphasizes the importance of health education and safety programs.

Freedman's commitment to peer education led her to work on other projects in her community over the last year. The largest undertaking involved working with the national non-profit, Security on Campus, where she delivered over ten presentations last spring on the dangers of drinking and sexual assault to local high school students in both Bristol and Portsmouth, R.I.

TURKEY: MUN students go to first international event

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and drafting resolutions, and are awarded based on their efforts.

"We had to represent France in the conference," Achkar said. "We sat for five days and debated, gave speeches and sat with our committees to write resolutions."

Achkar sat on the committee for disarmament and national

"We had to debate about what countries had to be nuclear weapon free while sticking to our country's foreign policy," Achkar said.

"I was on the security council committee," Feely said. "We had no set agenda, but were thrown scenarios and had to think on our feet, and respond the way our represented country would."

Feely said his committee encountered situations such as a tsunami hitting Bangladesh, followed by Iran enriching Uranium, causing the committee to react to multiple scenarios at

"We had no predetermined policies to study, and had to know about how to work with multiple countries," Feely said.

In the end, all three students won outstanding delegate awards for their efforts in their committees. Feely and Achkar expressed, however, that was not the impor-

tance.
"This was the first time emerging ourselves in cross-cultural delegation," Feely said. "When we participate in conferences in the U.S., it's more awardoriented, where in Turkey it was more about resolving the conflicts."

"The conference was not just about Turkish experience, but about a full cultural experience," Achkar said.

One of the challenges Feely mentioned was the preparation and support prior to the confer-

ence.
"We didn't have a lot of backing from the political science department," Feely said. "We applied what we learned from our classes, but besides professor Roberts, no one offered advice."

Feely and Achkar also emphasized on their gratefulness for funding from the

Spiegel Center. Currently, the students are working on a PR campaign to assure that other students can attend international conferences in the future.

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TUITION: RWU increases financial aid

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sity of Arizona, which raised tuition by 20 percent in March. In Rhode Island, Providence College just raised their tuition by 4 percent and Brown University announced a 4.5 percent increase, bringing their total cost to \$51,360. Although not too dramatic, Brown's raise comes with extreme budget cuts, job elimination, and increased enrollment as well.

One reason Brown is struggling a little more than Roger Williams is due to their endowment dependence. In 2008, Roger Williams' total endowment was \$104 million. Within that \$104 million, about \$14 million was designated for the new buildings. In 2009 there was a significant drop, leaving the total endowment at \$67 million. "The school went from \$90-\$60 million, so just like Brown lost [\$800 million in their endowment], we lost \$20 million," said Noonan.

RWU's endowment does factor into tuition. The university has what they call a "spending policy," which allows the university to use a certain percentage of the endowment in the budget. "For instance, in 2009 we had available to us about \$4.5 million. For this year that number has gone from \$4.5 to \$4.26 million," Noonan said. This loss is not very significant, however in prior years the balance was a little higher and it gave the university a little more spending money. "So in the case of Brown, Brown might have had \$40 million available, and they may have lost \$10 million, so then losing \$10 million compares to us losing \$300,000. The loss of \$300,000 in our overall \$1.5 million budget is not going to increase tuition as a result," Noonan said.

According to Senior Vice President for Enrollment and Advancement Lynn Fawthrop, "we are in a better position than universities who rely heavily on their endowment. We don't. We try to utilize tuition revenue and fundraising."

As for accepting more stu-

dents in order to accumulate more revenue, Noonan says it's

a not a good idea. "We're not just looking for bodies, we want people here for our graduation rate because if they drop out, we don't get that tuition," Noonan

"We've had some pay freezes last year, we've had some reduction in benefits, and employees are paying more of their share of their health costs than ever before. We're not overly burdened in my opinion. We haven't laid people off but we've got unfilled positions we're not filling," Noonan said.

Although limiting new hires, the university will be filling some open positions. "We've looked at all of our open positions and the majority of them have been put on hold at this time unless they were health and safety related, critical to the academic needs or allowed us to raise money. So for instance, we have a Dean of Admission position open. We use the Dean of Admission in order to recruit students and to help generate tuition revenue so that posi-tion will be filled," Fawthrop

There are other small ways the university brings in revenue. For example, when a student uses his or her UniCard in the town of Bristol, the university gets a commission. The university has raised around \$25,000 in commission.

Roger Williams is also looking into accommodating weddings on campus. "We've got someone in the conference group that's working at attracting weddings. As an alum, wouldn't it be a great place to get married?" Noonan said.

At one point the university owned an insurance agency and it sold a few years ago for \$800,000. Also, during the summer there are plenty of classrooms empty, so the university is trying to have more classes during the summer to generate revenue from the buildings that otherwise aren't being used.

The new North Campus Residence Hall and the Global Heritage Building have accumulated debt. "We've not had a lot of fundraising where folks have stepped up and said OK, here's \$10 million, put my name up on a building and build a building. [...] So the buildings and the entire campus has been built by borrowed money over the years. So we have \$150 million in debt and we pay an interest rate on that. Our interest rates are 3.5 to 4.25 per-cent," Noonan said. The new buildings, how-

ever, were

Noonan said. had a consultant come in 2005 or 2006 and look at our academic space and tell us if we had adequate space for

necessary,

our number of students, and they came back and said 'you're short 10 classrooms.' That's when the New Academic Building was born," Noonan said. The required 10 classrooms quickly became 12 when the Global Heritage Hall was built.

In regards to the North Campus Residence Hall, Roger Williams had previously been renting the King Phillip Apartments, Founder's Brook, the military housing and the law school students residences down in Middletown. The new residence hall acquired around 300 new beds, and gave the university a change to get out of King Phillip and Founder's Brook.

Additionally, after the university had to purchase Baypoint Inn from Ralph Papitto for \$4.9 million, it turns out RWU could be better off. "We were paying rent, so instead of paying rent, we're paying a mortgage and the mortgage is

less than what we were paying in rent. From a cash-flow standpoint, we're better off, which is why we wanted to buy it,' Noonan said.

The university has also been able to lock in prices for electricity and natural gas at the lowest points of the market. Roger Williams also negotiated with their health provider; even though the average medical inflation rate was 7.5 per-cent, the university is probably going to have a zero percent increase on their insurance.

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> said. The university offers about \$40 million of financial aid to its stu-

When prospective students look at potential universities, a major factor is financial aid. "Families are more concerned with financial aid than ever before, which is why the university put \$3 million more starting this year into the finan cial aid program," Fawthrop

Ultimately, running a university is the same as running a business. As Noonan said, "we need to run this business as efficiently as we can to provide the product that we provide to the students, so we need to be as cost effective as we can be.'

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Opinion

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Career Center looking for leaders

For the first time in two years, the Career Center is looking for two student leaders to fill the Career Assistant positions. Both the Career Center Event Assistant and the Career Center Public Relations Assistant are payroll positions open to any undergraduate student, each is expected to work up to ten hours a week in the Career Center for a monthly stipend. Students applying should be familiar with Microsoft Office and have exceptional communication skills - both verbal and written.

The Career Center **Event Assistant works** closely with the team to plan and execute events, mainly communicating with the necessary offices to ensure room bookings, guest speakers, and the small details that go into

an event. It also includes creating the marketing for the event and gaining vol-unteers to work the event. Major events in the past have included Dining Etiquette, Gabelli School of **Business Networking Re**ception, and the Annual Career Fair.

The Career Center **Public Relations Assistant** is a new morphed position; the individual will work closely with the Director to develop website content, write pieces for the Hawk's Herald, maintain online communications on Facebook, and create print marketing materials.

These positions are considered leadership positions at the University. Applications can be found in the Career Exploration and Civic Engagement building and will be due on Wednesday, March 31,

2010. Any questions or concerns can be directed to the Career Center at extention 3244, or through the Career Center email Careers@rwu.edu.

The Roger Williams Career Center, located in the Career Exploration and Civic Engagement building, assists both undergraduates and alumni in a professional life during and after college. Services include the online database for jobs, internships, and mentors - HAWKS HUNT, on-campus recruiting, career assesments, graduate school search and application assistance, job and/or internship searches, and career events, such as the Roger Williams Annual Career Fair.

Another kind of senioritis

Kelleigh Welch Editor-in-Chief

I wouldn't call it 'senioritis' in the terms most students are used to. With the return from spring break, and the beginning of the final countdown to graduation, I find myself refusing to do my work for classes. In exchange, however, I'm not slacking off to go out on a Tuesday night instead of finishing my paper, or playing 'hookie' to sit in the sun at Colt State Park. Instead, I find myself surfing job website after job website looking for somewhere that will hire me.

I'll admit, the real world terrifies me.

Over break, I traveled to Washington D.C. to visit a few friends who recently graduated and were now working and living in the city. During the three days there, I got a taste of what life was like: apartment rent costs were over \$1000, plus food, plus bills, plus student loans. In order to survive, you had to be making at least \$40,000 a year.

If you own a car, you have to pay for insurance and repairs, and let's not forget that in the working world, an old pair of jeans and a t-shirt is no longer acceptable attire. No, you now have to spend money for a suit or a nice dress to appear professional.

And all the while, I was thinking to myself about the \$350 I had to live on for the rest of the semester.

How am I going to survive?

I realize that if I have a job, I will be able to not only occupy my time by working, but also will be making a standard form of income, but it can be frustrating when no employers are hir-I set myself

with a goal of applying to 10 jobs a week, as the process can be tedious,

however it is also discouraging when no employers

So I find myself spend-ing my evenings thinking about how I should be finishing my homework, as I am still a student and need to pass college in order to even get a job, but instead I am constantly applying to these jobs, with no response, and resigning to the idea that I will forever work as a lifeguard in my hometown and live in my parents' home.

I feel as though I can't enjoy my last few weeks here at RWU because I need to spend every spare moment applying for jobs, so I can have some plan for after graduation. This whole process is so frustrating and it stresses me out. I don't know what



and give me an interview. That's all I want— one interview.

But when people ask me what I'm doing after college, I still can only shrug my shoulders and say, "I'm not really sure." So, now my question

is, what am I doing wrong? I've created the best resume possible, compiled a portfolio of published articles, videos and radio talk breaks and yet still nothing. What more can I do? HELP!

Thank you for hat return

On February 24 I attended a faculty caucus and then the annual Biriss Lecture. In the one room or the other I left the Greek fisherman's hat I've had it for several years which comes with a story I won't tell here. I checked

the rooms I was in and could not find it. I assumed it was lost forever. But on March 9 when I came to my office door, there it was on the door knob, just waiting for me. I don't know who found it and associated it with me, and who put it on the door, but to whomever, I thank you for your kindness and initiative.

> Joshua B. Stein Professor of History

Career Fair will help students find jobs

Erica Seymour Career Center

The 14th annual Career Fair will be held on Wednesday, March 31, 2010 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Recruiters for full-time and part-time jobs, summer jobs, and internships will be there to meet with students and alumni. As a tie-in, the slogan, "Where can you work with your major?" has been displayed in the library entrance for the last part of March, students pass by it, but what does it mean? According the Career Center, the "Smash the Box" campaign has been designed to free stu-dents of the "box" associated with their majors. The old idea that a Public Relations major must work at a Public Relations Firm or that a Psychology major must work in a psychiatric hospital are just that, old. Students have the freedom to work nearly anywhere for any organization. Almost every organization in existence has different components and areas that work together to create a cohesive organization and common goal. That means that the same psychiatric hospital, which was basically a given to the psychology major, is now of interest to the Public Relations major, every hospital has a public relations department after all.

A goggle search of "what can I do with my major?" yields almost 73,000,000 responses in just 0.40 seconds. If a student should look at the listing under their major, say a criminal justice major, that student will be provided with a comprehensive list of the different areas of expertise, such as social services or judiciary law, and a list of the different employers. A business major can search for the same thing and find a comprehensive list similar to the criminal justice major, even though the two have very different focuses.

An organization is multifaceted. It has many different pieces that come together to make the organization function and succeed. Organizations are not black and white, they cover a wide variety of colors and people and professions. Here's a challenge from the Career Center, put this idea to test at the 14th annual Career Fair. Recrutiers from a variety of organizations are coming in the hopes of finding people to fill current and upcoming openings. All students regardless of major or class year should attend the Career Fair and should speak to as many recruiters from as many different organizations as possible. Students should bring copies of their resumes and professional attire is highly recommended. As an added bonus, the career center will be giving away two \$50.00 debit cards, that can be used anywhere, every hour at the career fair. A complete list of the organizations that will be present at the Career Fair can be found by logging into your HAWKS HUNT account. Students can also register on-line for the event via HAWKS HUNT under the Career Events tab. To help students prepare for the career fair, the Career Center will be holding all day resume walk-ins on Monday, March 29, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

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Letters to the editor, commentary and editorials

WTF of the week:



Kelleigh Welch Prior to break, during the disgusting rainy few days we had, I spent an afternoon sitting in the lower level of GHH, enjoying a coffee and the company of my friends. Since I did not have class that day, I sat at my table for two hours, as students passed through classes and stopped to talk to me. During this time, I noticed that a constant dripping was coming from the ceiling, and that by the end of my time, all the papers on the table were damp, along with my clothes. Now, I'm not one to say much, but it was clearly noticeable that the ceiling was letting some water through. As friends passed by, they commented on my wet papers and felt drops of water as well. So, WTF? Why is GHH leaking?

In our opinion: Paper towels are still an option

Hand dryers. We understand we're a bit more technologically advanced nowadays. But hand dryers are a step back in the world of technology. We have compiled several griev-ances relating to hand dry-

If there were ever an epic battle between a hand dryer and paper towels, paper towels would clearly take no prisoners.

The first issue we have with an automated hand dryer is time. Hope you're ready to waste a good 3 minutes of your life waiting for the dryer to attempt to dry your hands for you. With paper towel, you can choose your own speed. You know what we're talking about: the minute you push that stupid, silver, circular button, and the dryer begins to wheeze, you can't help but roll your eyes. As the dryer sputters to heat up, your hands are just hanging limply in the air, dripping water and generally looking stupid. Let's not forget that it's physically impossible to get an even dry from the automated drivers. No matter how you move your hands around, you're always left feeling damp, or with little droplets left on some part of your hand. And what exactly are you supposed to do with your hands, anyway? Do you do the hand jive in the hopes that they'll dry faster? Do you rub them together, over and over again, so that the water will absorb faster? Or do you just keep hanging them there and wave them around a little bit? No matter what you decide to do, you still look like an idiot. 5 out of 5 editors agree that paper towel looks 100 times more respectable when drying your hands. With paper towel, it's understood that you're going to rub the paper towel all over, and that you're going to get good, thoroughly dried

hands as a result. The same

just can't be said about those damn dryers.

To make matters worse, as you're standing there, watching your hands be tortured by the automated dryer, your ears are also suf-fering. The sound those dryers emit cannot be duplicated. You know that sound, though - you hear it before you see the dryer, in most cases. (This is especially prominent in public and airport bathrooms.) You could be a quarter mile away, en route to the bathroom, and as soon as you get within 100 feet, you hear

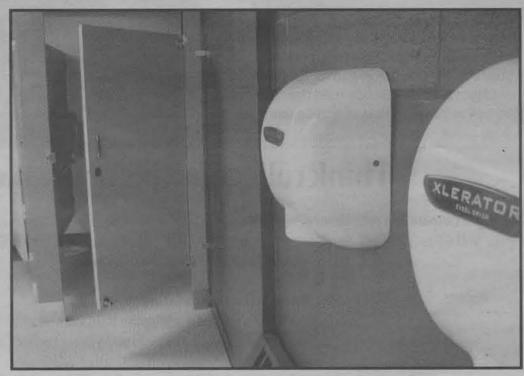
VR00000000000000M that only a crappy dryer could make. Forget trying to hold a conversation once you cross that threshold. Ladies, you know what we're driving at here -(since girls are notorious for making trips to the bathroom a group event) - you know that once you get in the bathroom, all hopes of talking about your dates or what Sally is wearing are lost. The minute that dryer

begins to roar, you are temporarily deafened. Also, we're thinking this could be a major fire hazard. What if you're stuck in the bathroom, fighting with a dryer to get it to dry your hands, and the fire alarm goes off? Better hope you can see the flashing lights, because everyone knows you'll never hear the alarm sound over those ridiculous dryers.

Speaking of safety issues, there is a huge health hazard associated with not having paper towel present in the bathroom. Put simply: everyone poops. It happens. Unfortunately, what also happens is every time someone drops a load, and then flushes, wee tiny poop particles are spewed back up out of the toilet bowl and into the air. Imagine yourself sitting atop your favorite throne, just doin' your business. Think about the proximity of toilet paper in relation to the toilet. It's about 7 inches away, right? Did you know that poop particles can fly up to 6 feet? Yes, it's pretty gross to think about. What happens if someone needs to blow their nose, but doesn't want to use toilet paper? That's where paper towels come in. Since they can be individually dispensed, and are a safe distance away from the toilet, paper towels are, thankfully, poo-particle free. The same just can't be said about TP. Should we have to succumb to poo-ridden paper just because we have a lame automated, heated dryer? We don't think so.

Let's take a stand, people. Protest heated dryers. Play dirty - because the bathrooms sure do.

In our opinion is an editorial from the editors of The Hawks' Herald. Think we should form an opinion about something? E-mail us at: hawksherald@gmail.com



Allison Collins

Hair salon on campus: the environmental view

Samantha Duggan Eco Rep

So a hair salon on campus sounds good, in theory, because it would be so convenient for students, especially freshman and other students on campus without cars. However, there are many aspects of this idea that I think should be considered from an environmentalist's point of view. One way to maintain the resources we have to use the things we have that already exist. Building a hair salon on campus will be costly to construct and maintain, energy-wise. Between the school needing to increase its water usage significantly, and using an increased amount of energy to run all of the equipment, cost will add up quickly for your pocket and the environment. Additionally, most hair products are extremely bad for the environment because they contain aerosol, which is released into the atmosphere every time it is sprayed and eats away the ozone layer. As the ozone layer gets thinner and thinner, the Earth gets warmer and warmer (global warming?). Increasing water usage and electricity, and releasing bad chemicals into the atmosphere are three different ways that the campus hair salon would increase our footprint. Last time I checked we were trying to REDUCE the school's carbon footprint, weren't we?

Another reason that a campus hair salon may not the best idea is because it will affect local hair salons in Bristol and Portsmouth negatively, rather than positively. Many of the local salons get a majority of their business from students. For example, Perfection Spa on Metacom Avenue participates in the Merchant Fair held on campus every September to remind students that her business is close and has affordable student rates. If Roger Williams opened a campus hair salon businesses like Perfection Spa would have a whole new level of business to compete with. As Colleen Finan, Vice President of College Democrats, believes, "Why compete where competition isn't necessary?" Many students have already found salons in the town that they like to go to, and for freshman and others without cars, the shuttle takes you into town and the RIPTA rides right along Hope Street. It's good for people to get off campus, even for just a haircut. In addition, it's important to maintain a good re-lationship with the local businesses and the overall community of the town because it will contribute to the school's reputation. Stealing a bulk of business from local salons would hurt the relationship between the school and the town significantly. Lunderstand

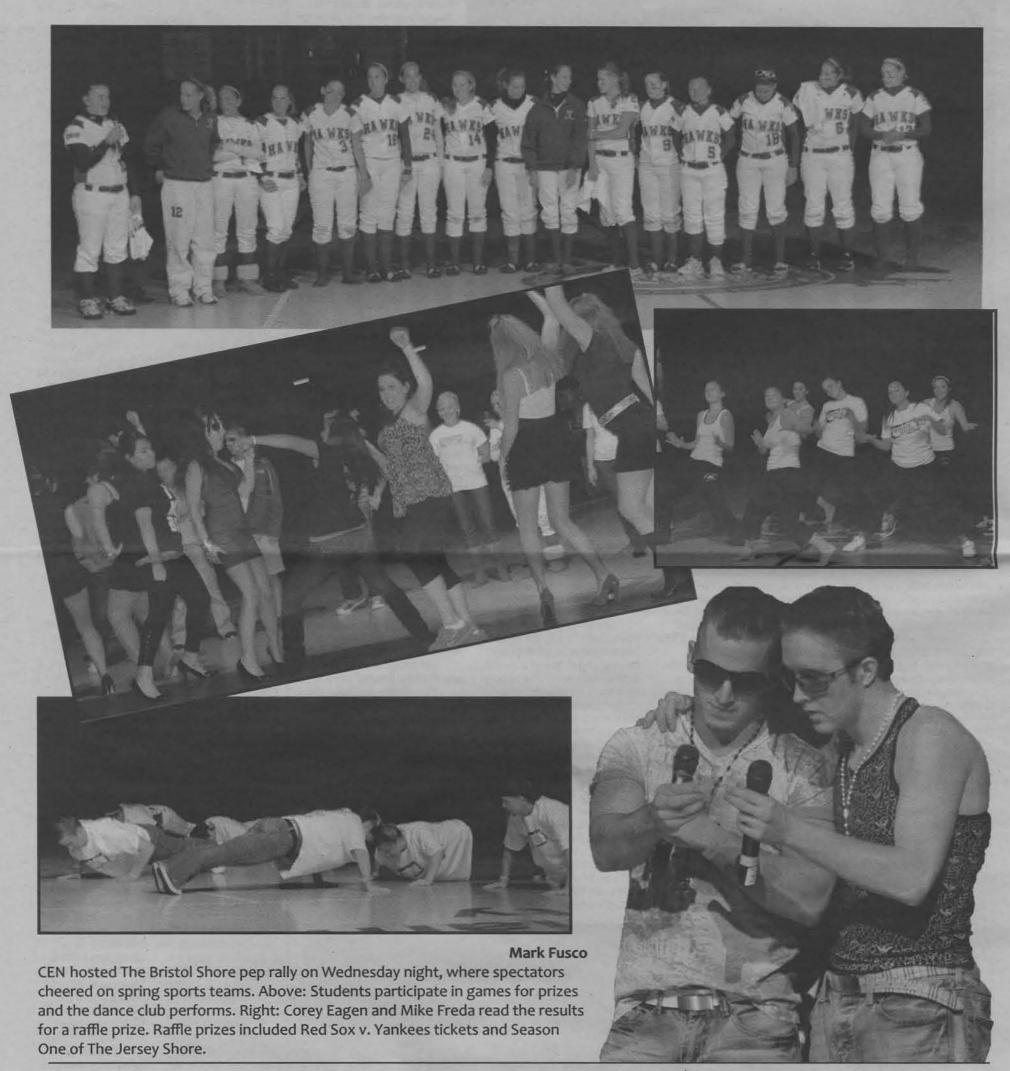
that the idea of a still being developed, but I think there are still really important issues such as how the environment and local businesses will be affected before this idea is taken into more serious consideration.



Your Campus

Stories that spark your interest

Welcome to the Bristol Shore



Think college is a piece of cake?

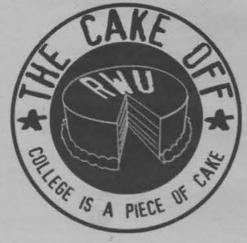
Want to participate in a cake decorating contest just like on Food Network? Then create a team of 3-5 people to compete in the first cake-off, an all-org event, and help raise money for Dana Farber Cancer Society. Sign ups are from April 5th-8th in the Commons.

When is the event?: Saturday, April 17th

Where is it?: Main Quad (Fieldhouse Rain Location)

How much does it cost?: \$5 per person (all proceeds go to Dana Farber Cancer Society)

Contact: Adam Semple at ICC@g.rwu.edu with questions.



Your Campus

Stories that spark your interest

Class helps Bridge to Haiti project

Kelleigh Welch Editor-in-Chief

As part of Professor of Marketing Kathleen Micken's Qualitative Marketing Research class, a group of students is participating in an auto-ethnography project, creating a "popup" store to sell items donated by members of the RWU community as part of the Bridge to Haiti initiative.

In the past, "the class was originally conceived as a "standard" qualitative research class, with students selecting a topic to investigate; developing interview protocols; conducting, coding and analyzing interviews and videos; and then drawing conclusions," Micken said in an e-mail. "When the opportunity arose to develop a pop-up store on campus that would sell items that had been donated by RWU community members in support of the Bridge to Haiti effort, we refocused the class. Instead of interviewing other people, students would 'interview' themselves as they went through the process of planning for and implementing the pop-up store.'

According to Joelle Riccio, a member of the class, the students have learned that although donations have been made by the country, it is still not enough.

"We hope that our efforts will raise the awareness of the disaster that is still in progress," Riccio said in an e-

According to Micken, the idea arose when Professor Brett Mckenzie, a member of the RWU Haiti organizing committee, suggested a pop-up store. Micken figured out how to incorporate the store into her curriculum.

"The charitable reason (to help with this store) is to help raise funds for rebuilding Haiti," Micken said. "The pedagogical reason is that the project provides a basis for research and gathering data that the class can then analyze at the end of the semester. We will have textual data from interviews, video and photogra-

phy that we can analyze."

The store will sell donated items from members of the RWU community, including hand-made products. Prices vary from hand-made soap for \$5 to hand-made jewelry for \$40.

"We would help in developing a culture of charity and civic engagement on campus, as well as later on analyzing our data to see what comments we heard about selling hand-made items as opposed to commercial, mass-produced items," Micken said.

Micken said.

"We'd like to thank the
GSB dean, Dr. Jerry Dauterive
for his support of the project
and the RWU Frisbee club for
also being a sponsor. Obviously
we are very grateful to all the
RWU artists who have donated
their work to the project,"
Micken said.

One-hundred percent of the proceeds will be donated to helping Haiti. Students are encouraged to donate items. You can drop off items at the GSB dean's office, or contact Micken for further information at kmicken@rwu.edu.

To see some of the items for sale, check out the class's blog at rendezvousforhaiti.

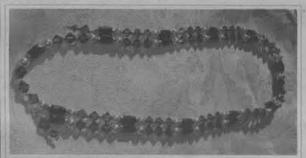
"We really aren't going to ask for much from students," Riccio said. "Whether you buy one of our products, or if you just make a small donation on your own we would really appreciate it. Even the presence of people surrounding the store could make others more aware and spread word of what tragic events still take

RENDEZVOUS

For Haiti

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Crystals, Pearls and a Secret



This dazzling piece of jewelry, made by faculty member Margaret Case, is more than just a pretty face. It features olivine Swarovski crystals, Swarovski pearls, steriing silver rondels, and jet black magnets. The

A photo from the group's blog.

the local RWU community
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We are a group of students

a pop-up store on the RWI

raise money for the Haitian

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place in Haiti."

Potatoes with Cheese and Tomatoes Recipe

INGREDIENTS

8 to 12 small red-skinned new potatoes

2 Tbsp butter

1 med yellow onion, finely chopped

4 large green onions, cut in 1-inch lengths

2 large fresh tomatoes, peeled and chopped

1/2 cup whipping cream

1 Tbsp finely chopped fresh cilantro leaves

1/2 teaspoon oregano leaves

1/2 teaspoon ground cumin

Salt and pepper

1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese

METHOD

— Scrub the potatoes; do not peel. Place the potatoes in a large pan, cover with water and boil, covered, until tender when pierced, about 20 minutes. Drain and place in a serving container. Keep warm.

 Melt butter in a frying pan over medium heat.
 Add chopped onion and green onions and cook until limp. Add the tomatoes and cook, stirring often, for 5 minutes. Stir in the cream, cilantro, oregano,

cumin, and salt and pepper to taste. While stirring, slowly add the cheese and cook until the cheese is melted.

 If potatoes are not small, cut them in halves or quarters. Spoon the sauce over the potatoes.
 Serves 4 to 6.

Chicken Teriyaki Stir Fry over Vegetables

INGREDIENTS

1/3 c. chopped onion

1 clove garlic, crushed

1/3 c. soy sauce

2 tbsp. salad oil

2 tbsp. white cooking wine

1 tbsp. honey

3 chicken breasts split

Combine onion, garlic, soy sauce, oil, wine, and honey; mix well. Arrange chicken in shallow baking dish; pour sauce over. Marinate at room temperature 30 minutes, turning several times.

Broil or grill while brushing with sauce until tender. Cook stir-fry vegetables and place on platter. Arrange chicken breasts over top. Makes 6 servings.

STIR-FRY VEGETABLES

1 tbsp. butter
1 tbsp. salad oil
2 c. sliced carrots
1 c. sliced onion
2 c. green beans or broccoli
2 c. cauliflower or cabbage
2 tbsp. lemon juice
1/2 tsp. salt (optional)
dash pepper
2 tbsp. chopped parsley

In wok or large heavy skillet, heat butter and oil. Add carrot and onion; stirfry 3-4 minutes. Stir in other vegetables and stir-fry 2 minutes. Add other ingredients and stir. Sprinkle chopped parsley.

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It all started with snakes...

The history of St. Patrick's Day

It all started with a saint. St. Patrick's day, celebrated annually on March 17, is a holiday



Saint Patrick

that is known worldwide. It is an especially prominent Irish holiday which celebrates Ireland's patron saint, St. Patrick. The holiday is on the day of St. Patrick's death, and it is celebrated through a grand day of dancing, feasting and drinking. Though St. Patrick's day falls during the season of Lent, the Irish are able to eat meat for the day. Patrick lived during the fifth century in Ireland, and is recognized as a critical part of Ireland's history. He is rumored to have converted many pagans to Christi-

The shamrock, or three-leaf clover, which is the most popular symbol of Ireland, got its claim to fame from St. Patrick, who, according to legends, used to explain the Holy Trinity to the people of Ireland. He said that each part of the three leaf clover represented the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, respectively. St. Patrick is also credited with having driven all the venomous

snakes out of Ireland as well, though this is unconfirmed.

Today, St. Patrick's day is celebrated in a variety of ways. In America, the holiday is known for its large parades, which feature performers and marching bands. Other countries also have parades, including England, France, Italy, Russia and China. In Dublin, St. Patrick's day has transformed into a week-long holiday, known as St. Patrick's Festival. It doesn't matter if you're actually of Irish descent.

On March 17, everyone gets a little luck o' the irish.



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Movie reviews

Shutter Island

by Kelleigh Welch

Based on the book by Dennis Lehane, Shutter Island tells the story of a U.S. Marshal, Edward "Teddy" Daniels, from the Boston area, who is called to investigate a case of a missing patient at an insane asylum on Shutter Island.

While there, Daniels discovers the questionable practices at the establishment, sending him down a path of who to trust and who not to trust

as he tried to find the truth.

The movie industry has not produced a de-cent suspense thriller, in my opinion, since The Ring and The Sixth Sense, but Shutter Island has restored my hope. I found myself on the edge of my seat, wondering how everything connected, and with the surprise ending, you realize all the hints throughout the film that allude to it. It is definitely a movie you need to see more than

If you can't handle blood, skip this, however it is minimal. The true terror is in not knowing if something is going to jump out, while trying to figure out the mystery.

Overall, Shutter Island is an excellent movie

and is worth the \$10 on a rainy day.

Alice in Wonderland

Amanda Newman

If you're looking for a new spin on a classic film, complete with a varied array of splendiferous characters, then Tim Burton's Alice in Won-

derland is for you.

Burton's Wonderland picks up years after
Alice has first fallen down the rabbit hole, a deviation of Disney's original, animated classic.

The story begins with Alice Kingsleigh (Mia Wasikowska) being pressured into a marriage to Lord Hamish Ascot (Leo Bill) a man that she does not find appealing. When he pops the question (in front of a hundred other people, no less) Alice becomes quite nervous, and runs off into the woods, claiming that she needs a moment. While she's taking a breather, she sees a white rabbit, the same one she's been picturing in dreams. The rabbit jumps in a rabbit hole, she leans over to see where it goes, and falls into the hole. Thus begins Alice's return trip to Wonderland – or Under-

land, as it's now being called. The Wonderland of Alice's dreams is no more, however. Alice finds herself thrust into a world that is unlike any she can remember. In fact, she's not even sure she's ever been to Underland before. But a prophesy seems to peg her as the Alice who will save Underland and restore Wonderland, And so Alice's adventures in Underland start. She must cope with the malevolent and bloodthirsty Red Queen (Helena Bonham Carter) and the daunting task of slaying the Jab-berwocky. Aided by the Mad Hatter (Johnny Depp), Alice embarks on a task to restore the White Queen (Anne Hathaway) to her rightful

Overall, the movie is an enjoyable one. Depp shines in his portrayal of the Mad Hatter as only he could. Surprisingly, Depp also provided a good chunk of comic relief for the movie, both through funny lines and just plain wackiness. Burton's Alice in Wonderland is a visual wonderland in its own right.



adamsmith.wordpress.com Johnny Depp as the Mad Hatter in Alice in Wonderland

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MSNBC.com:

"NYC Couple tired of cops getting addresses mixed up"

An elderly couple is tired of the police coming to their house looking for criminals. According to them, it's happened over 50 times in 8 years.

Today; msnbc.com:

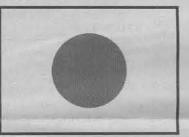
charged with hooliganism.

"Wedding guest injured after shooting self while playing Russian Roulette"
A wedding guest shot himself in the temple with a rubber bullet, suffering severe injuries. The game of Russian Roulette was impromptu, and the shooting happened during a speech which was being given in honor of the groom. The man who gave the victim the gun has been

AolNews:

"Power to the penis! Japan celebrates phallus with festival"

A national festival is held annual in Japan to commemorate and celebrate the male anatomy – chiefly, the penis. The festival draws huge crowds each year, and nothing is more popular than the 8 foot long, 620 lb penis statue that is carved out of a cypress tree and put on display for the world to see.



Albums for your iPod

"Bullet and a Target" Bliss N Eso

"Hey Soul Sister" Train

> "Bang Bang" K'naan

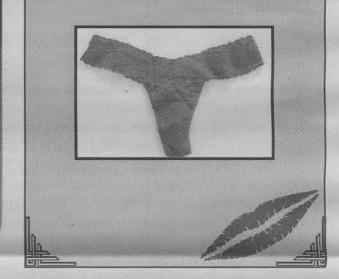
"Shy That Way"
Tristan Prettyman featuring
Jason Mraz

"English Summer Rain" Placebo

Corner of love

In February, Cosmo declared the thong dead. While Cosmo is still a trusted authority on how take care of your "V" and how to please your man in the naughty ways he was too afraid to ask for, the venerable magazine has erred greatly by declaring the thong dead. It isn't dead; it has just undergone metamorphasis.

What's hot now is the high-wasted thong. While booty shorts are rising in popularity, it's a new lingerie hybrid that's keeping the thong alive. Panties with lacey tops and traditional thong bottoms incorporate the best of the booty short and thong worlds.



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World Watch



Washington D.C.

On Mar. 23, President Obama signed legislation to overhaul the U.S. healthcare system.

Two days prior to that, the House passed the reform bill 219 to 212, after hours of dramatic debate. This bill, passed by the Senate in December, will provide over 30 million Americans with the healthcare they once lacked. According to nytimes.com, "Republicans, who voted unanimously against the bill in both houses, vowed to work to repeal the bill and to challenge it in court."



Vatican City

In light of the recent sex abuse scandal against the late Rev. Lawrence C. Murphy of Wisconsin, "Top Vatican officials — including the future Pope Benedict XVI — did not defrock a priest who molested as many as 200 deaf boys, even though several American bishops repeatedly warned them that failure to act on the matter could embarrass the church, according to church files newly unearthed as part of a lawsuit," reported nytimes.com.

This incident has now brought to question the intentions of the Vatican, causing officials to question whether the Vatican had dismissed this situation to protect the church from scandal instead of dismissing Murphy.

According to nytimes.com, "The documents emerge as Pope Benedict is facing other accusations that he and direct subordinates often did not alert civilian authorities or discipline priests involved in sexual abuse when he served as an archbishop in Germany and as the Vatican's chief doctrinal enforcer."



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RWU sports and commentary

TWINS: Mauer to become highest-paid catcher

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one overall in the 2001 draft.

This deal is not only good for the Twins and their fans, it opens up for other opportunities for mid-market teams to sign their home grown talent, for instance a small yet successful team like the Tampa Bay Rays could possibly loose two of their star young players to free agency, Carolos Pena, 31, and Carl Crawford, 29, who could opt to shoot for greener grass on the other side of free agency, or stay for a pay cut to play for their original teams.

According to the terms of the

agreement, Mauer will receive \$23 million a season which compares to New York Yankees ace CC Sabathia, who also earns \$23 Million a year. Mauer will now be the highest paid catcher of all time. Mike Piazza of the New York Mets formally healed that honor when he signed a 6-year-\$91-million deal in the winter of 1999.

Regardless of how the Twins do this year in their new ball park, the people still feel they have already won, locking down their prize position for hopefully eight long, healthy and pro-ductive years for the Minnesota Twins.

SOFTBALL: Team's season began in Florida

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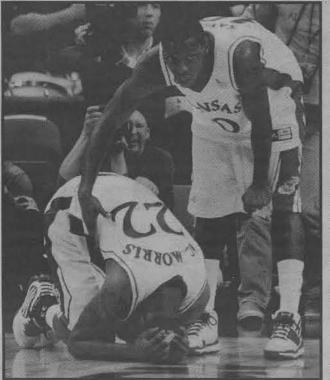
This year, the team returns 11 players adding five freshmen to the roster of already talented individuals. The Hawks are lead by senior outfielder Michelle Caprice. Caprice will add her experience as a three-year starter to aid her teammates to another winning season. Although Caprice is the lone captain, four of her fellow seniors will contribute to the team's predicted achievements. Alexandra Sera, Kerry Burke, Samantha

Teves and Melissa Sereti are expected to lead the team with their experience

and talent as well.
During Spring Break, the squad began their season in Florida. While most were relaxing in the sun, the RWU Softball team was hard at work defeating teams such as Macalester College in their season opener, Smith College, Lasell College, University of Scranton, Stevens Institute of Technology and Fitchburg State College. The Hawks accomplished a record of 6-4 in Florida,

certainly starting the season off on a good foot.

The Hawks continued to thrive at their most recent game against Anna Maria College defeating the AMCATS 6-2. The RWU Softball team hopes to carry on their success as the season continues. With a handful of seniors leading the team along with several other returners, the squad will unquestionably be a powerhouse in the Commonwealth Coast Conference.



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ASKETBALL Kansas lost

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esting in the closing minutes.

Down by only one with 44 seconds to play Kansas turned the ball over, on a transition play where NIU was running the floor, the ball found senior Ali Farokhmanesh who found himself left wide open and hit a de-ciding three pointer. Farokhmanesh finished with 16 points and made a statement in his final year at NIU.

For the first big upset in the tournament comes the number 1 overall team ousted in only the second round. Kentucky and Stanford previously accomplished this in 2004 when they

were both beaten in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

Yes, on this Saturday more than half the country's brackets were busted and national title hopes and dreams were eliminated for Kansas at the hands of a small mid-major basketball team NIU. This directly brings to focus how great this tournament can be, none of these kids are playing for money, their playing for pride and a sense of feeling like a winner that is all that matters to them, true basketball at its finest

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Abby Cunningham

Herald Staff Reporter

The RWU Softball team is

looking to find success in the

cess they achieved previous

2010 season, much like the suc-

years. With a 28-17 overall record

Williams University Softball team

is hoping to improve on last sea-

son's nearly 30 win record in

search for a Commonwealth

for the 2009 season, the Roger



Joe Mauer signs contract with Minnesota Twins

Will Boshes **Assistant Sports Editor**

For once a homegrown alent is going to stick around. On Sunday Mar. 21 the reigning AL MVP Joe Mauer, the catcher for the Minnesota Twins, signed an eight-year exension with the team worth round \$184 million dollars.

Mauer, 27, has been nothng but sensational in his short six year career.

A native of Minnesota, Mauer had a lot to think about neading into this season— would he stay and write all of he critiques off and stay in Minnesota, or would he book or greener pastures in, lets



say Boston or the Bronx. With the Twins unveiling their new home, Target Field, there was a lot to think about for the Twins' General Manager, Bill Smith, the team invested in Mauer sticking

around the only thing that he knew, Minnesota.

With a new stadium and high hopes for the team, the Twins wanted to nail down a deal with Mauer before the season started to erase any nightmares that the Twins front office would have come next winter. If Mauer and the Twins didn't get a deal struck before the end of spring traintulane.edu ing then negotiations would then resume at season's end.

With the terms of the contract agreed upon, Mauer will most likely stay close to home and finish his career with the team that drafted him number

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Xavier and KSU fight for an Elite **Eight spot**

Dan Malkin **Sports Editor**

Atlantic 10 clashes with the Big 12 for a spot in Saturday's Elite Eight regional battle. Revenge will be in the air, as K-State dominated Xavier on all levels back in early December. In the rematch it will be all

about the matchup between Jacob Pullen of the Wildcats and Dante Jackson of the Musketeers. The Wildcats will also need Denis Clemente to play superb all game long, while Xavier will need a strong night from Jordan Crawford in the low post.

K-State got the better of Xavier earlier this season. That was then. This is now, and this game is on neutral court. The Wildcats out-rebounded Xavier 39-30 in the win. However, the Muskateers have been strong on the boards throughout the tourney and seem like a much stronger rebounding squad.

If Xavier can somehow contain the Wildcat guards and shut down Clemente and Pullen they will move on to the next round. If they are unable to succeed with this tall task, they may get lit up on the offensive end. I see KSU moving on to face Syracuse in the next round in what should be another exciting matchup.



KSU Athletics

Upsets create interest in NCAA tournament

Will Boshes **Assistant Sports Editor**

Every March the NCAA basketball tournament takes the country by storm and shocks everyone with stunning upsets or dominant performances that will dazzle the NBA fans some

The NCAA tournament for sure is one of the most exciting things that hit the sports world, what could be better? A one and done and your out mentality, leaves these young collegiate athletes no choice but to leave everything on the court.

Heading into the second round there were three major upsets: a number three seed in Georgetown loosing to a number 14 seeded Ohio, along with 13th seeded Murray

state defeating Vanderbilt (out of the Salt Lake City bracket) and of course Washington stunning the # 6 seed Marquette (out of the Syracuse bracket).

The second round was filled with a lot of guaranteed wins according to specialists. But did anyone think that the number 1 overall team in the tournament would fall only in the second round?

Well the impossible happened when Northern Iowa beat Kansas 69-67 on Saturday the 20th, which sent a Missouri Valley team in the sweet 16 for the first time since 1979 when none other than Larry Bird was attending Indiana State.

NIU (Northern Illinois) were winning basically the entire game, which is uncommon for

a Kansas team coached by Bill Self. Throughout the year Kansas was one of the most consistent and dominating

teams in the country posting a 33-3 regular seasons record and a very impressive 15-1

ence play. Kansas fell behind early but would fight back and make it interrecord in Big 12 confer- See BASKETBALL on page 11



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Coast Conference championship. In the 2009 season, the Hawks earned a number fourseed in the TCCC playoffs. After having a bye and a win in the first round, the squad eventually suffered a tough loss to Endicott, the eventual 2009 conference champions. Although Endicott is picked to win the conference for the 2010 season, the Hawks will fight to prove

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