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The Hawks' He Read ONLINE

The student newspaper of Roger Williams University

Beset by lightning strikes and poor heat ventilation, WQRI fights to get itself back on air

Amanda Newman Co-Managing Editor

Roger Williams University's student radio station, WQRI 88.3 FM, is predicted to remain off air indefinitely, pending funds for new equipment necessary to get the station to get back up and running. The station, which usually

broadcasts live daily from the campus recreation center, has been off air since May, after the radio station's antenna was struck by lightning, an event which damaged the transmitter as well.

"There is an extensive amount of work that must be done before WORI can get back on air, said Henry Lindner, WQRI's General Manager.

WQRI is currently facing issues on two fronts: its transmitter and its DJ booth

This is the third consecutive school year that the station has been forced off air for any period of time. During the first year, the station had to stop broadcasting due to the demolition of the original Student Center, which had housed the station's transmitter. The station resumed broadcasting after about a month-long hiatus,

during which time the transmitter was moved to Maple Hall. Last year, the antenna was struck by lighting for the first time, frying the station's audio processor. Again, the station was off air for about a month.

In addition to the damaged transmitter, the DJ booth has poor ventilation, causing sensi-tive broadcasting equipment to overheat and break down. "If it's [the booth] not ventilated, any new equipment will just malfunction as the rest has, Lindner said.

The heat problems were felt last fall, when the booth lost an "unusual amount" of equipment including a distribution amp and a delay (censor), Lindner said. At the time they broke, the amp was new, and the delay had just been fixed. "It's very strange for two pieces of fixed and new equipment to malfunction after such a short

period of time," Lindner said, Ventilation has been

problem for a long time," said Adrienne Mukiria, the Assistant **Director of Student Programs** with it, but when you have new equipment breaking or not func-tioning after less than a year,

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service to its school's related "This would be the first



Trespasser found bleeding in student's car

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Ben Whitmore Editor-in-Chief

In the early morning of Friday, Sept. 17, public safety officers issued a no trespass order against a man who was found unconscious in the backseat of a student's car, bleeding from his arm.

An anonymous student spot-ted an unidentified man at 3:13 a.m. staggering in the street adjacent to J-lot. The student reported his sighting to public safety dispatch, who ordered three officers to the scene, according to a public safety incident report.

Upon arrival, public safety Shift Commander Dominic Salinaro and Officers Russ Tomkinson and Jeff Stone began searching for the unidentified man, who was no longer

Alter searching the perimeter of the area in vain, the officers began looking in less conven-

tional hiding places. Drops of blood on one car's side view mirror and rear door handle prompted one officer to look in the backseat of the parked car, where he found Luke Lohan, 20, of Hanover, Mass., unconscious and unable to be roused. He was bleeding from cuts and scrapes on his arm. The car was unlocked.

The officers entered the car See CAR, page 3

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Ben Whitmore Editor-in-Chief spired this summer by a similar program at Syracuse University, which hires outside attorneys to give legal counsel to students.

Senator proposes free legal

underclass student body. program that bridged the gap between

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Amanda Newman

The student senate has created a committee tasked with developing a free legal consultation program run by third-year law students from the Roger Williams University School of Law. The program would aim to offer legal advice to undergraduate students and other members of the campus community in need of budding lawyers' professional opinions.

The program is the brainchild of [Student Senate Treasurer] Nick Tsimortos, who was in-

The way I saw it was, I'd love to see something like this happen, especially when you have a school with a law school,'

Tsimortos

said. While many law schools have programs in which third year students offer pro bono legal consultation to outside individuals and non-profit organizations, Tsimortos said he has found no other law school that offers this

the law school and the undergraduate [at RWU]," Tsimortos said.

What is better yet, Tsimortos said, is that the student senate does not have to spend any money from the student activities fund, the pool of money generated from a biannual fee collected from all students, to pay for the program.

When Tsimortos pitched the program to the school of law's Student Bar Association (SBA),

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One RWU senior's study abroad truly made a difference

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U.S. launches a drill

to test international

cybersecurity "It's only a drill and

no computers will be

harmed in testing now underway to check

whether governments, private industry, and other computer infra-

structure could handle

a major cyberspace attack."

China readies to launch 2nd lunar

probe "China will evacuate more than 2,000 resi-

dents, as it prepares to launch the nation's

second lunar probe,

The lunar probe will test key landing tech-nology for Chang'e-3, and provide high-res-olution photographs

of the landing area, China Daily said, citing space officials. Chang'e-2 is expected to reach lunar orbit within five days." -CNN.com

Drill passes halfway point in Chile mine rescue bid

"Piercing air horns sounded out Tuesday

over the site where

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miners, passed the halfway point to the

Still waiting for HP's new CEO

"Many thought Hewlett-Packard

would name its new

CEO on Tuesday

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at tech consultancy

Gartner, said it's his

trapped men." -CNN.com

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News Facts that matter about global, national, and local happenings



Law enforcement agents educate and empower students at crime prevention fair

Olivia Lyons Herald Staff Reporter

Roger Williams University stu-dents, faculty, and staff gathered on the D'Angelo Commons for the Crime Prevention Fair, on Wednesday, September 22nd. to promote safety awareness among the campus community.

"Our mission is to maintain a safe and secure environment at Roger Williams University by promoting safety awareness through our crime prevention program," said John Blessing, Director of Public Safety. "We hopefully will reach many of our university community through our Crime Prevention Fair."

The Crime Prevention Fair was co-sponsored by Student Senate and RWU Public Safety. The event featured presentations on Alcohol Awareness, Drug Recognition, Emergency Medi-cal Services, Seat Belt Safety, Women's Self Defense demonstrations. Several RWU clubs and organizations including the Women's Center, Information Technology, Facilities, Environmental Health and Safety and the Counseling Center helped spread a 'safety awareness' message to the RWU community. Multiple local organizations were invited to work at the fair as well, such as, Brown University Police, Public Safety officers, the Rhode Island MADD group and the Women's

Resource Center. The advocates at the Women's

Resource Center are fighting to end domestic violence and are working endlessly to raise awareness about the harmful affects that domestic abuse can have. Sheila French, a representative from the Women's Resource Center, said she feels that the Crime Prevention Fair is an important event to hold on a college campus. "We are reaching out to women, regardless of age, to let them know we are here," French said. The Women's Resource Center offers a variety

of internships for college students at

their Newport and Bristol offices. "As an intern you will gain an in depth look at domestic violence and learn how to help improve safety within the home," says Diane D'Errico, a Community Development Officer for the Women's Resource Center, "It is a great educational experience."

The most important thing is to be aware and to know what's going on around you," said Laticia Walker, a RWU student and President of the Women's Center. The Women's Center, "strives to ensure equal and full opportunity for all people." "We are always looking for new

Senator resigns after 'conflict'

The student senate accepted sophomore Senator Tim Gale's letter of resignation on Monday in light of what Gale described as "recent events that I have unfortunately and uncharacteristically created." "Tim Gale resigned due to internal conflicts with other senators, not because of issues with senate, or senate leadership, as a whole," said Tom Gleason, Student Senate President. Former Senator "It was a choice that Tim chose to Tim Gale. make because he didn't feel that he would be able to complete his responsibilities as a senator," Gleason said. Gleason did not offer further details regarding the conflict leading to Gale's resignation. Because Gale's departure from senate was a result of a resignation and not from a dismissal or impeachment, he will be eligible

to run for a senate seat during future senate elections.

As a senator, Gale sat on the senate's Safe Rides committee, acting as the liaison between the student body and the administration during meetings regarding the potential future program.

Though he is no longer a senator, Gale will continue work on the Safe Rides program as a member of the senate committee, though he will do so now as a student body representative, Gleason said. Student Senator Taylor Smith, the unofficial co-chair of the senate facebook.com safe rides committee with Gale, will continue to develop the Safe Rides program with Gale, Gleason



Mark Fusco An aerial view of the Crime Prevention Fair

tional programs for the campus community."

RWU students stopped by the Crime Prevention Fair in between classes. "I think that the Crime Prevention Fair is a great event to have at RWU," said freshman Kim Frezza. "It promotes values and awareness, which is a major part of

what this university stands for." Public Safety officers at RWU encourage students to "be aware, be safe and report any suspicious activities to Public Safety." If students have any concerns, they are urged to contact Public Safety at 401-254-3611.

tree Nicholle Buckley

Herald Staff Reporter

faces," Walker said. The RWU Women's Center encourages

safety and overall awareness to

The Center for Counseling

and Student Development sent P.E.E.R.s (Peer Educa-tors Empowering RWU) to

the event to help educate the

community on mental health.

Informative handouts explain-

ing the group's goals were distributed to students, faculty

and staff stating, "P.E.E.R.s are students who have been hired

and trained by the Counseling

Center to provide confidential

referrals, supportive listening

and informational and educa-

all university students.

The Bristol Animal Shelter was recently approved its request to

You may not be allowed dogs and cats on campus, but here is a way you can help them! Friends of the Bristol Animal Shelter is a non-profit organization advocating the town of Bristol's no-kill Animal Care

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) site, so in the event of a disaster, animals will be properly taken care of.

The current Bristol Animal Shelter is located on Minturn Farm Road which is right down the street from Roger Williams University. It is run by Bristol's Animal Control Officers who put the animals up for adoption if owners do not come claim them. It is structurally unsound considering it was built on a landfill 33 years ago. It is too small to accommodate the nearly 300 dogs and 200 cats it takes in each year. Unforwater leaks tunately, in, kennel doors don't close properly, and methane gas leaks prohibit the care of small mammals and birds. Clearly, some renovations need to be made.

Ben Whitmore Editor-in-Chief

understanding based on discussions with the company that HP is working out a deal with its pick to replace Mark Hurd as its chief executive." -CNN.com

Tapes describe U.S. servicemen killing for sport in Afghanistan 'Tapes obtained by CNN of interrogations of a group of U.S. servicemen charged with unprovoked killings of Afghan civilians describe gruesome scenes of cold-blooded murder. -CNN.com

said.

During Monday's senate meeting, some senators raised concerns about Gale's continued involvement with the Safe ides committee. These senators called Gale the "face" of the safe

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and Adoption Policy. Their mission is to provide a safe environment and emergency veterinary funding for the animals until they are adopted and find homes. In 2008, the organization campaigned for a new animal shelter and Bristol residents voted for a bond to make this happen. The new shelter will be user-friendly, including a reception area, safe housing, a quarantine room, and a humane education center. It'll only cost taxpayers \$18 a year and will have no impact on the school budget. It'll be located on donated land, be energy efficient, and it'll be the only kind in the state designated by FEMA to shelter displaced animals due to disaster. When completed, it'll also be as a

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WQRI: Despite difficulties, station eager to get back on air

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something's not right."

Mukiria said that she filed a maintenance request about ventilation issues to Facilities in late July. A week or so ago, facilities responded, and sent someone to assess the situation. Facilities discovered that the booth is located below a boiler room.

In order to combat these problems, Lindner asked the Student Senate on Sept. 20 for \$8,976 from the capital expenditure line to help cover the necessary costs to bring WQRI back on air.

costs to bring WQRI back on air. Additionally, Lindner, Mukiria, and Lou Cona, the Systems Administrator for WQRI, decided that the best option would be to get an air conditioning unit installed in the booth. As of press time, Facilities had complied, and is working on getting an air conditioner installed in the room that will circulate the air and pull the hot air out, Mukiria said. In addition, the three also decided to hire a professional engineer, who is scheduled to come in twice a month to inspect the booth, even if there are no reported problems, as well to update the public records and maintain all equipment, Lindner said.

In regards to the transmitter, Mukiria said that when it was moved, it wasn't properly grounded, which made it more conducive to lightning strikes.

Though the station is experiencing hardships, Lindner is optimistic about its future. "We're using this time to focus on other things we've wanted to improve within the station," Lindner said. "Once the station is back up and running, we'll be transmitting digital audio, and in the meantime, we're getting a new website so even if we're not on air, we can continue to update online, like show schedules and concert info."

CAR: Man had no known connections to

any student

Continued from page 1 and woke Lohan, who was in a "confused state" and "appeared to be intoxicated," according to John Blessing, Director of Public Safety.

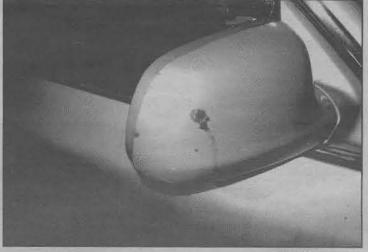
Upon interviewing Lohan, officers determined that his birthday was the night before and that he reportedly had been drinking, had fallen and cut himself on a driveway somewhere in Rhode Island.

It is unknown to public safety how or why Lohan came to campus. Lohan was not a registered guest of a student.

While public satety officers questioned Lohan, Bristol rescue units were called in, who brought Lohan to Newport Hospital. The owner of the car was

contacted and questioned. The student owner denies having any connection with Lohan.

The public safety officers issued Lohan a no trespass order in the



Public Safety

Drops of blood found on the student's car.

presence of Bristol Police officers. This means that if Lohan is seen on campus again, Bristol Police officers will be called and he will be arrested, Blessing said.

Blessing praised the anonymous student who reported seeing the unidentified man wandering in the road. "We want students to be aware, to be safe, and to report suspicious activity to public safety," Blessing said. "That happened in this case." But if Blessing could send one message to students, he said, it would be to "lock your cars."

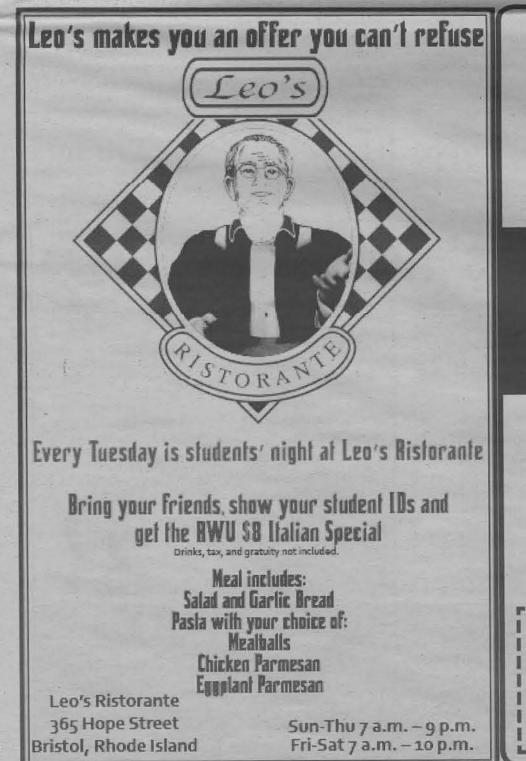
SENATOR: Gale steps down

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rides program, and argued that Gale's resignation would undermine his credibility with administration. In a later interview with *The Hawks' Herald*, Gleason explained that because there are no designated chairs of senate committees, Gale and Smith would decide between themselves how work in the Safe Rides committee is delegated.

"At this point, Safe Rides still has a lot of work being put into it," Gleason said, "and I know personally that Tim will continue to work hard at this."

To fill Gale's senate seat, Gleason said he would send out an e-mailed call for applications to all students. He said he hopes to have the seat filled within two week's time.





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Safe Rides progresses towards enactment

Kaitlyn Lauer Herald Staff Writer

Drunk driving is a major problem among college cam-puses today. Not only are the drunk driver in danger, but also the other drivers on the road are threatened by irresponsible drinkers. In order to help resolve and elevate this serious issue, students at the Roger Williams University are architecting a Safe Rides program for the campus. This program is created to encourage college students to make educated and responsible decisions before and after drinking alcoholic beverages. The mission of the Safe Rides program is to provide safe, free, confidential, and reliable rides home. Tim Gale and Taylor Smith are currently the committee chairs for the program at RWU. Both Gale and Smith have put many hours into their proposal and the promotion of this program around campus. Safe Rides will be provided to students in a 4-mile radius of campus, which includes Bristol and Portsmouth; rides back to Main Campus, Almeida, Baypoint, or another off-campus student place of residence. This

program is expected to start sometime in November. The student senate vans will be used for transportation of the students. The

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the fall and spring semesters on Friday and Saturday nights from 10:30 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. If the program proves to be helpful

and successful, a larger budget will allow the program to extend its availably to Thursday nights. As well as offering a safe

transportation for students, a secondary objective is to provide the student body with information regarding safe drinking. "We cannot stop students from drinking, and we especially do not enforce it. We promote safe choices when a person decides to drink," Gale said. It is important for students to use this program as a backup plan and try

to ensuredependable rides back home.

Gale and Smith said they much success for this Safe Rides Program. There was a great turnout at the first meeting. In order to have a solid foundation and reputation, around 70 volunteers are needed, as well as a consistent budget. An initial budget of around \$4,800 is necessary for the first full semester of running. However, the following semesters are to have an expected budget of \$2,900. The budget includes the gas for the RWU Senate vans, uniforms, cell phones, GPS units, and emergency kit. Gale and Smith, both hard workers and dedicated leaders of this program, were chosen to continue the Safe Rides proposal initiated by Jessica Alder and Brian McGrath, recent graduated who created the program proposal. Gale has four years of experience through the Red Cross with a program similar to Safe Rides designed for various high schools in his area. "With so many enthusiastic volunteers, the program will provide a stronger foundation," Gale said.

LAW: Students could begin providing free legal advice to undergraduates seeking service services

Safe Rides seeks to encourage responsible behavior.

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the graduate-version of RWU's student senate, "lightbulbs went off in the room," said Justin Pruett, SBA President and a third-year law student. Pruett said he and his constitu-

ents immediately realized the program had mutually beneficial potential.

The school of law currently has three clinical programs in which third year law students give advice to Bristiolians. The programs, focused in the areas of mediation, immigration, and criminal defense, take place monthly and are supervised by a school of law professor who is a Bar-certified attorney.

"This [new] program we see being very similar in that if we can get a faculty advisor and if we can get the law school deans wrapped around this idea, it might be set up the same way as one of our clinical programs," Pruett said.

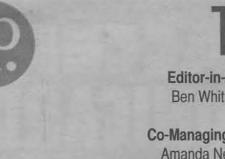
Tsimortos and Pruett agree that the consultation program would provide value to not only the law students gaining resume-building experience, but also to undergraduates who, more often than they may realize according to Pruett, enter into legally significant situations. Whether signing lease agreements and employment contracts or responding to court summons and fighting legal penalties, most students will encounter a situation during their college careers that relate to the law in some way, Pruett said.

"The question is: what can we do to help?" Pruett said. "Everyone has a right to legal

consultation; it's no longer common knowledge and we need help to make educated decisions," Tsimortos said.

Pruett said he has ambitions to formalize the creation of the program relatively quickly

"Once all the pieces fall into place, I think we can play ball," Pruett said, "and playing ball means getting something together for next year.'



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Bristol Beat News and reviews of people and places downtown

Wrap Shack folds up favorites for students

Darielle Terry Herald Staff Reporter

As you walk into Papa Joe's Wrap Shack on High Street, the first thing you see is a life sized E.T. figurine. The next thing you will notice is the star wars action figures hanging on the wall, the 200 plus wine corks framing the entrance and currencies from around the world behind the counter.

"Were all just sci-fi geeks really and we've gradually started putting things up on the wall," Lisa Ventura explained.

Just about every day of the week you can find Lisa in the Wrap Shack, taking orders and running deliveries. Her dad, Dennis Ventura is the owner but he rarely spends time in his restaurant anymore. Lisa and her brother Dennis are the ones running the place now.

The Wrap Shack is located on the corner of Hope Street and Bradford Street. It is in downtown Bristol, about three minutes from campus. They deliver to all of Bristol and although they do not deliver to most places in Portsmouth, they do deliver to the off campus dorm Baypoint, located in the neighboring town.

After you take in your surroundings at the Wrap Shack, you're welcome to take a seat at the counter or at one of their small tables. Someone is usu-

ally making a pizza, cooking fries or putting a wrap together. The environment is laid back, causal and fun. You cannot help but look around at all the quirky decorations on the wall while you place your order.

The Wrap Shack, as one may assume. specializes in wraps but they

also specialize in New Yorkstyle pizzas. Almost all of their wraps can be made into pizzas or salads.

Seafood lovers enjoy their popular "Bristolian Wrap." It comes with fried calamari, hot pepper rings, mozzarella cheese, mixed greens, and roasted garlic mayonnaise all wrapped up in a flour wrap.

Their other popular wraps are the buffalo chicken and caesar salad. Popular pizza's include

The Mozz, BBBQ and buffalo. The Mozz pizza is topped with ripe vine tomatoes, fresh moz-



Mark Fusco Papa Joe's Wrap Shack, the culinary staple of RWU students and Bristolians alike, flies its "open" flag in the breeze Monday morning.

> zarella cheese and basil pesto sauce. The BBBQ pizza is just like a BBQ pizza but with bacon added on top.

If you have traveled out of the country lately and have some spare foreign currency, the Wrap Shack would love your donation. They currently have bills from all over the world on display. It all started when one of Lisa's friends went to Iraq. He sent back some Iraqi dinar that Lisa hung up on the wall. Eventually other people started giving them foreign currencies that they kept hanging up. If Interna-

tional students at RWU come into the Wrap Shack and notice that their home country's currency is not there many will come back with their home country's money to be put on display, Lisa said. Students who go abroad also donate small bills from the different places they visited, Lisa said.

The Wrap Shack has been in business for nine years. Dennis was tired of working for other people so he decided to open up his own business. He had always worked in the food industry and his dad, Joe, who was a chef. Joe unfortunately passed away about six months before the Wrap Shack opened so Dennis named the Wrap Shack, Papa Joe's Wrap Shack in honor of his late father. Dennis had worked very hard coming

up with all of his own recipes for the restaurant, but it's all paying off now. The Wrap Shack is very popular here in Bristol, "we have people that come in everyday, they can't get enough of it," Lisa said. The Venturas also own a cafe in Pawtucket called Julia's Cafe. It has been in business for about two years and they are a little different from the Wrap Shack. Julia's Cafe does serve wraps but they are mainly a breakfast and dinner establishment.

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RWU students frequent the counter stools in the Wrap Shack. Lisa said that many RWU athletes come in after practices. "These baseball guys always come in sit at the counter, high five each other and chest pump before they order," Lisa said. People get pretty excited about their food. Friday night is their busiest night, especially for pizzas, Lisa said. "We get a lot of students, they come in and try it then they just keep coming back" Lisa proudly stated.

If you do not have time to dine in at the Wrap Shack or you do not have access to a car, you can always call "The Hunger Hotline," which is their delivery number as Lisa said, "if you're hungry, call us!"

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Bristol Beat

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RWU opens new construction center Students, graduates and local companies pitch in on design and construction

Article courtesy Bristol Phoenix

With a little help from friends in the construction industry, Roger Williams University has turned an ordinary classroom into a spacious learning center.

At a ribbon-cutting ceremony last Friday, a group of faculty, staff, board members and students joined industry professionals to open the school's new Shawmut Design and Construction, Construction Management Project Center and celebrate the result of their "partnership of excellence." And, since all the work was done for free, the university used the opportunity to say thank you.

Until now, students in the School of Engineering's computing and construction management program made do with the small room in which they researched, planned, created and presented some impressive projects. But, despite the school's success in turning out talented professionals in the construction industry, it lacked a focal point on campus.

"The students came to me with a problem," said Professor Fred Gould, who served as the project coordinator. In identifying what they and the faculty wanted to bring to future classes, they agreed on a plan to "establish a core center for instruction, club and team activities; provide agile work spaces, incorporate a design that speaks to the quality and professionalism of construction management graduates, increase program visibility, and provide the technology to link the school and students with students and industry throughout the world."

They had the idea, they had the space, they knew what they wanted the center to look like. What they lacked was the material, the labor and the money to make it happen.

When presented with what the university had – and didn't have – to make the project happen, Bill Hughes, president of Shawmut Design and Construction of Providence, agreed to help. After all, he already knew the quality of the program, having hired many RWU graduates. "We wanted to do something to give back to the school," Mr. Hughes said.

Mr. Hughes began by calling in a favor. "We started asking a lot of people to do a lot of things."

Mr. Hughes contacted a company he worked with on other projects, and which also has RWU graduates on its staff, Vision 3 Architects of Providence. Bill Gray of Vision 3 Architects took the concept the school provided and fine-tuned the design and space elements that would transform the 904-square-foot cinder block room, with lecture hall-style seating, into a state-ofthe-art work space.

An army of subcontractors was recruited to donate time to demolish and rebuild interior features. The classroom was closed off at the end of last year's fall semester, and work began in January. Renovations included leveling the floor, opening the room to the lobby, and creating a board room furnished with an 18-seat conference table and information technology and audio-visual equipment. But perhaps the most dramatic change came from what was removed.

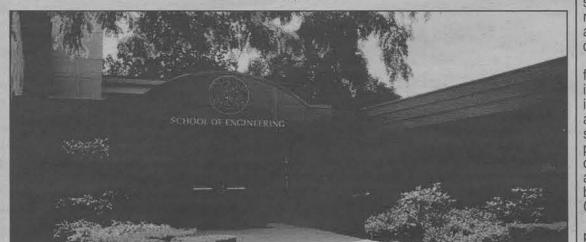
"We wanted to make use of the lobby area outside the room," said Mr. Gray, indicating with a sweep of his hands the openness of the lobby. "This used to be a dead end." He pointed to where a cinder block wall used to be. "The glass wall and the open design gives a better image of the school's vision," he said, while the towering ceilings with exposed steel work reflects the trade that is taught in the building. "It'll be a focal point of the school."

From the lobby, which is part showcase for student work and part relaxing lounge area, visitors can see into the glass enclosure where students and teachers interact in groups or utilize the conference area for one-on-one exchanges. The room is equipped with electrical boxes throughout the floor, making it more convenient for students working on projects to set-up for presentations anywhere in the room.

The construction project is shown as a scrolling pictorial timeline on a monitor in the lobby, where those who donated time, talents and materials estimated in the "hundreds of thousands of dollars" — to the school are honored.

"The construction management students are greatly appreciative," said student Tom Gleason, speaking on behalf of his classmates.

"We're excited to be part of the future," Mr. Hughes said.





Ben Whitmore Uneaten fruits and vegetables fall into a churning pile of organic products, manure, and sewage waste begining its journey to become ultra-fertile compost soil.

Solar power coming to Bristol compost facility

Article courtesy Bristol Phoenix

The town's first alternative energy project has gone out to bid.

A \$60,000 grant through the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) was awarded earlier this year that will pay for part of the purchase and installation of solar panels at the town's compost facility.

The Water Pollution Control Department, which oversees the compost facility, received the grant, which provides federal funds to encourage renewable energy projects that lessen the reliance on fossil fuels.

According to the department's supervisor, Matthew Calderiso, "Water and wastewater are some of the largest utility consumers."

This, he says, is due to the fact that the plant is constantly in operation to process sewage into a sludge that can be used as composting material. The solar power generated by this project is expected to save the department about \$1,300 from a monthly \$5,000 electricity bill at the compost facility, Mr. Calderiso said.

As the compost facility is prepared to have the solar

a project the town has been getting ready to do this past year. Funding to replace the roof will come out of the town's coffers.

"Town officials are very excited about this project. It is the first green project that is moving forward in Bristol," Town Administrator Diane Mederos said. "We are confident that this will be the first of several renewable energy projects, including wind energy, in the next few years. As an example, the East Bay Energy Consortium, which the town is a part of, is currently working on a regional turbine project that would be of great benefit to Bristol."

The town asked for funding to incorporate both solar and wind projects to generate power. Only the solar project was approved by the R.I. Office of Energy Resources for funding.

In September, five companies interested in bidding on the project attended a pre-bid conference to review the plans in preparation for submitting a bid. On hearing their questions, town officials determined the project's specifications were too loose for contractors to adequately submit a proposal.

"We're going to come up with a plan that's a little better defined," Mr. Calderiso said. As a result, the deadline to submit a bid has been extended to Oct. 20.

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The Roger Williams University School of Engineering.

panels installed, the town will take the opportunity to replace the original roof on the building,

What's going down around Bristol?

Downtown walking tours on Thursdays

On Thursdays, the Bristol Historical & Preservation Society presents an afternoon walking tour (weather permitting). On Sept. 30, the tour with historian Ray Battcher is "Hither and Yon," which will meander around the lower end of Thames Street and the cover the history of the waterfront. Learn how the 1815 Gale altered the Bristol waterfront. The walk starts at 3 p.m. at the society at 48 Court St. It is free to members and \$5 for others.

Call 253-7223 for more information. Membership is open to all. There is adequate parking and the society is wheelchair accessible.

Bristol Art Gallery is saying 'BOO!' this month

Bristol Art Gallery's latest open juried exhibit, "BOO!", features original paintings, sculpture, photography and other media that depict the spirit and many moods of All Hallows' Eve. An opening reception is from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, at the gallery at 423 Hope St. There will be creepy but tasty refreshments, spooky music and frightening Gothic decor. An award ceremony is at 6 p.m. Admission is free, and costumes are welcome. Children must be accompanied by adults. The exhibit runs through Oct. 31.



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Farmers' market open on Fridays at Colt Park

An annual farmers' market by the R.I. DEM Division of Agriculture is open from 2 to 6 p.m. on Fridays through Oct. 29, rain or shine, at Colt State Park, off Hope Street.

Locally grown plants, vegetables, flowers, fruit, herbs, baked goods, jams, jellies and relishes, chicken, eggs and seafood are for sale. Enter through the main entrance and watch for the signs on the left.



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Knock, knock: RWU's got a Special Delivery

Griffin Labbance Herald Staff Reporter

A 'special' group on campus is putting a unique spin on familiar music.

Many students on campus are used to traditional college activities such as varsity athletics, intramural sports and the occasional concert or live band performance. But something that a select group of students is taking part in on campus may turn a few more heads this year in comparison to last.

The Roger Williams University 'A Cappella' group,

Special Delivery is a group of students who sing some wellknown tunes in a different tashion. What makes this group unique is that while soloists are singing their parts, the rest

of the group is singing in ways that resemble backup musical instruments.

The group consists of around 30 students, with one or two soloists performing in each song song. Kristina Soprano, President of the club, a junior, feels that this year the group will show the campus how much they have grown.

"I started as a freshman by joining the group. At that time, the group wasn't very organized or structured but I saw a lot of potential in it," Soprano said. Soprano described how she

Soprano described how she saw a large amount of unused and unrecognized talent within the group, which influenced her to run for the position of president. Currently, Soprano helps to organize the group and arranges a majority of the pieces that are performed. "Last year, we won the 'Comeback Club of the Year' award, which pushed us to enter this year with higher expectations," Soprano said. "We are going to try to perform harder songs, and also try to perform in different locations than last year."

locations than last year." Last year, the club performed at varsity athletic events, concerts and at large campus gatherings such as Autumn Fest. Soprano and the rest of the group look to expand on these locations and perform outside of campus and hopefully bring their shows to a statewide level.

Last spring, the club got a

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- Kristina Soprano, President of RWU Special Delivery

> the region and totaled about 160 students. Soprano commented that members from other schools had very positive remarks about the RWU club.

Like any club on campus, the students in Special Delivery are required to have a faculty an advisor for the group. The members of the group spoke very highly about the their advisor, William Aton. Soprano stated that Aton is "very helpful and a good person to go to if anyone has questions or concerns about the group."

Special Delivery held auditions at the beginning of this semester for members to join. Although clubs are not permitted to put a cap on members, Soprano stated that the reason

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Girls got game

Darielle Terry Herald Staff Reporter

Here at Roger Williams University, if you want to study abroad, you have the entire world available to you. Students can go anywhere from Costa Rica to Italy to Australia. However, senior Katie Bozeman chose a location that not many RWU students have gone to before. Last year, she decided that she wanted to spend a semester abroad in South Africa.

"I thought it would be interesting to experience the culture first-hand in the post-apartheid era," Bozeman said. "I also thought it would be a nice bridge between my Anthropology/Sociology and Global Communication majors."

Communication majors." Bozeman left her hometown of Augusta, Maine and hopped on a plane for Cape Town, South Africa. Her school, or 'uni' as they call it in South Africa, was Stellenbosh University, located just outside of Cape Town. As it turned out, Bozeman was presented with a great opportunity that ended up changing her whole experience, not only abroad but in the U.S. also. Bozeman volunteered for her

versity's United Nations Association of South Africa (UNASA) chapter. Through this, she taught English to students ages eight to 13. Their previous knowledge of English varied but the work was rewarding.

"It was really nice to see the development in the kids' reading levels and English skills throughout the five months I was there," Bozeman said.

It was in correlation with this program that Bozeman involved herself in a project that she became passionate about; she started working with a program called 'Girls and Football SA (South Africa).'

Football SA (South Africa).' 'Football' in South Africa is what we call soccer in the U.S. The mission of Girls and Football SA is to encourage young girls empowerment through body ownership, self esteem and sense of accomplishment. The culture in South Africa

is, of course, very different from our culture here in Bristol, R.I., and while Bozeman was abroad she learned a lot about the ways in which cultures differ in regards to gender-based issues.

Unfortunately, South Africa has an infamous reputation for



Courtesy of facebook.com Bozeman in South Africa with two girls from the Girls and Football SA program.

violence. They have the most murders with firearms, assaults and rapes per capita than anywhere else in the world. In a recent survey, it was found that a woman is raped every 17seconds in South Africa today. Additionally about one-fourth of the population is unemployed and lives on less than \$1.25 a day. According to lostgirlsSA. org, a girl born in South Africa has a one in three chance of reaching secondary school, but a one in two chance of being raped. This is something that obviously has a large impact on the people that live there.

Women and young girls are especially affected by this and, as a result of these problems, the Girls and Football SA program was created. Bozeman, along with five other people that coordinat-

ed and founded the



Computing conference: 10110010110

Nicholas Tomeo Herald Staff Reporter

Research indicates that computing is generally viewed as isolating and solitary by young women today. There was once a peak in interest, but since 1982, this has decreased by ninety percent.

But in the case of Casey Aiello, a senior majoring in Computer Information Systems (CIS) here at Roger Williams University, this trend has been contradicted. From Sept. 29 to Oct. 2, she will

be attending the 10th Annual Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Hosted by the Association for Computing Machinery, this event will feature more than 2,000 professional women - from industry, academia and research labs - and more than 1,500 young women involved in computing. This conference commemorates Grace Hopper, the first woman to receive a Ph.D. in Mathematics. Hopper was highly involved in early computing, and later became responsible for the Common Business-Oriented

Language (COBOL) used often in computing.

On the first day of the conference, Aiello will present a poster with fellow classmates Jessica Peacock and So Phi A Ngo, both juniors majoring and minoring in CIS respectively. The fact that three CIS students from the same school are attending this conference is both rare and a exciting event for RWU.

"I am excited to show the research that I have done, and there will also be a fair the night after," Aiello said.

This fair will offer the opportunity to meet people from different companies, specifically for prospective careers after graduation. The conference will also feature a variety of presentations and workshops by professionals discussing their career paths, such as CEOs of companies like Google.

"I have already been interviewed by a couple of companies," Aiello said, but this conference will further broaden her options for her career as a Computer Engineer.

Aiello earned a presentation scholarship for this conference this summer, having participated in the Basketball and Computing program over the past two years, which is part of the GRRL Tech Project. This program was headed by Associate Professor of Computer Information Systems at RWU, Brett McKenzie.

The computing team collaborated with Ryan Weekes, Sarah Morris and Alexandra Lanieri from the Lady Hawks, RWU's women's basketball team, throughout the course of this program, helping high school girls practice basketball skills and teach them the basics of computing.

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Willow Hall

Clara Moses Herald Staff Reporter

When it was announced that quiet hours were to start at 9:00 p.m. seven days-aweek in Willow Townhouse 1 from now on, students lashed out. The building's RA, Russell Thomas, held a floor meeting last Wednesday to give the news. This is Thomas' third year as an RA and he says he has never experienced such extreme behavior from a unit as a whole, until now.

Normally, quiet hours start at 11:00 p.m. on weekdays and 1:00 p.m. on weekends throughout all of RWU's dorm buildings. However, the change was made for Willow 1 because of the unruly behaviormany noticed. "The Willow community as a whole has seen behavior that's out of the norm," Thomas commented.

Core Kimberly Beardsley pointed out that it is an expectation that residents will be respectful of one another so that studying and sleeping will not be a problem for anyone. ts the dorms to be a "comfortThe first meeting had not been well attended, but the students that were there immediately responded by giving attitude to Thomas. From there the response got worse.

Posters had been put up around the unit reminding students of the coming change. Soon after that new posters were put up. Some residence simply amended flyers with a "F*** this!" scribbled in the corner, but one had been completely redone to resemble the original while the actual text promoted partying instead of quiet

> Because of this the second meeting was called. Beardsley explained that first RAs try to deal with the problem themselves but sometimes assistance is needed. "People will step in and support the process and help out so that it's not all on [Thom-as'] shoulders, because he doesn't have to go through that by himself." At this, meeting Thomas went around the building

to gather as many resi-dents as possible. Then Beardsley explained that as long as the flyers stop and people become more respectful the quiet hours should go back to normal in around two to three weeks, which put a few residents at ease. "It's not our intention to take something away for a full year at all," Beardsley said in an interview. Beardsley explained that every situation is different and they would all have to play it by ear, but are hopeful Willow 1 could have a fresh start soon. She added, "Our intention is not to crush whatever fun that people want to have; it's we live in a community and we want people to be respectful of one another."

The power of

Owen Kauppila Co-Managing Editor

Roger Williams University's new-est architectural addition is the North Campus Residence Hall (NCRH), a structure full of modern amenities and high-tech equipment installed to help make the lives of students more comfortable and easy. In cooperation with the hall itself, Resident Assistants (RAs) work hard to further the comfort and easiness of being a student living

on campus. Tony Montefusco, the Executive Di-rector of University Housing Operations and Planning, is the man behind the

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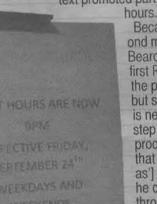
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Jenna Mulvey Herald Staff Reporter

Last year, I lived in Cedar and had two wonderful RA's. Both of them were very patient, and never raised their voices. I also felt that

if I had a question or problem, I could talk to them. Another great thing about them was that they were avail-able most of the time. Both of them had busy schedules, but that never stopped them from helping their residents.

They also gave us their cell numbers in case we ever had to reach them. I'll never forget when one of them texted me saying I did a good job singing the national anthem at the dance club performance, and hugged me when she saw me! They were definitely great RAs for freshmen, and made transition-ing into the or a transitioning into life as a freshman easier. If you were in any clubs or organizations, or interacting with other people, they were very



able" place to live.

"It's not about us trying to go on this al-cohol tirade," stated Beardsley. She says alcohol problems are not really related to the change in quiet hours. The amount of students written up in Willow this year are not that much different than the last.

Beardsley also mentioned that part of her job is to help students relate to one another, and that some residents might not feel comfortable asking their neighbors to quiet down. "Some people might judge loudness differently," she added. Beardsley was the one to call a second floor meeting for Willow 1 last Sunday.

supportive of you.

Part of me also felt like they could relate to our hall, and wanted to get to know us. At one point, my RAs held a mandatory hall meeting. It turned out that they had bought art supplies for us to make our own door tags! It also seemed like they were always looking out for us. I will definitely always remember these RAs.

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in Stonewall, fewer students came to them with their problems or questions. Once RAs were moved to their own living areas, more accessible areas, students were more willing to interact.

Overall, Montefusco is proud of the relationships that RAs have established with the students across campus and over the bridge.

"They're very creative," Montefusco said. "Over at Baypoint ... it is very 'male-heavy' and one of the RAs did a tie-tying program.'

It is this sort of cooperation and cohesiveness that makes a campus run smoothly and "helps to build the community" as Montefusco said.

The flip side: What's it like to be an RA?

Katlyn Proctor **Opinions** Editor

Being an RA isn't easy, although a student may think that it's no more difficult than simply taking a

are minding the quiet hours. Quite frankly, it's one of the hardest student jobs on campus. On top of the

rigorous application process, including 3 recommenda-

tions and an all-day interview, RAs are always planning ahead. They program community-building events to provide students with what they want, as well as constantly being on the look out. "Students may have the perception that RAs police areas but we the living stress to them to not

necessarily look for violations, but to let it come naturally. The main priority of an RA is to keep his or her living area safe and conducive to living and learning," said Jennifer Stanley, the Director of the Department of Residence Life. Stanley

oversees the hiring process of RAs and ul-timately works with RAs to help better the environment of students. RAs - Jennifer Stanley perform nightly rounds, program events,

and currently make decisions that affect their social life. "It's hard to be an RA - there can easily be a conflict with friends and RAs tend to separate themselves from that but the decision is up to them as long as they remain fair and consistent in their relationship with all students.

od (or bad) Aaron Piemontesi is a junior here at Roger Williams University, and although he hasn't had any bad Resident Assistants (yet), he definitely has witnessed a few bad apples. The most frequent observation that Piemonesi has made is that 'bad RAs' tend to try to

heir 'power' on campus in inappropriate ways. After living in Willow, Stonewall and now Bayside, Piemontesi reflects on the experience of his friend in regards to 'bad RAs' and privacy.

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"A friend of mine's RA would just walk into his room and mess with his stuff.

We didn't really care, but the fact that he took it upon himself o just walk in and take things was messed up."

Though that RA didn't respect privacy, there was another RA who was overly private:

"My RA during freshman year was barely ever in her room ... especially since it was my resiman year, we needed to know stuff and learn about the campus and she wasn't really around to help us at all." He then commented on how the overall process could possibly be altered to avoid having 'bad RAs' infect the campus: "I think the process needs to be looked at from different views pesides the one-day selection process, hypothetical situations and one-on-one interviews people are put in. The process is good, but I don't think it's in-depth enough to treat everyone airly, and because of that, sometimes RAs end up not fitting the position."



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program, worked to inspire young girls to develop a sense of empowerment through soccer.

As a basis of its function, the Girls and Football SA program towards achieving the United Nations Millenium Development Goals: gender equality, multilateral cooperation and sustainable development. The young girls that are involved with Girls and Football SA are learning life lessons that will help them develop into strong women. They are learning these lessons through role models like Bozeman.

Bozeman explained that, "women have ridiculously difficult obstacles that they need to overcome in [South Africa]," so Girls and Football SA is looking to help girls overcome some of these hardships through sports.

According to Bozeman, most of the girls involved with Girls and Soccer SA consider soccer to be a form of escape for them - they use soccer as a way to get their mind off some of the struggles and bad things that happen around them. Playing soccer gives them a chance to be confident about something and gives them better opportunities in life.

Some say men's sports have always received more attention than women's sports. For

eration of Association Football (FIFA) World Cup took place in South Africa this past summer. The media coverage during this event spread across the entire globe; most people knew it was happening. Much of this coverage may be attributed to the fact that this was a men's soccer tournament.

What many people do not know is that there is a FIFA Women's World Cup as well. The women's tournament is taking place next summer and it can be assumed that it will not get as much press coverage or attention as the men's World Cup.

The importance of establishing recognition of women's sports is dire. Girls and Football SA is

helping to do just that. "A lot of the girls are really good but they don't get the credit they deserve." Bozeman said. "They work hard at something they love to do. It's really

inspiring." Now that she is back in the states after her semester abroad, Bozeman's job with Girls and Football SA has changed slightly: she is now its overseas correspondent. She is actively trying to spread the word to support young girls playing soccer and to support funding for workshops. If you'd like to help her cause, check out GirlsandFootballSA.com.

Girls from South Africa who are involved with the Girls and Football SA program practice drills in preparation for the National Com-mittee for International Cooperation and Sustainable Development (NCDO) Finals Challenge

All photos courtesy of GirlsandFootballSA.com



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for auditions was not to exclude people, but to break the ensemble into smaller groups. This segmentation allows for a clearer and more solid sound in every performance. Soprano stated that Aton was a very useful advisor when they held auditions; he provided a more experienced view on their performances.

The group strives to recruit incoming freshmen to help carry on the club. Freshman Lauren Fonti agrees with Soprano about the group's potential

"I heard about Special Delivery, and being a music major, thought that this was a great way to gain more experience, Fonti said. Sophomore Catherine Cappucci also agreed that the group's recruitment is very strong. "I love [Special Delivery] so

I heard about Special Delivery and, being a music major, thought that this was a great way to gain more experience.

> - Lauren Fonti, Freshman **RWU Special Delivery**

much," Cappucci said. "This group helps to form a great bond with all of its members." The group looks ahead to a

tions. After the award from last spring, Soprano hopes to lead the group to bigger and better opportunities. This year, Special Delivery will perform during Family Weekend in mid-October. They will also host their annual first semester concert, which is scheduled to take place on Dec. 5.

The group also hopes to cosponsor with different musical groups on campus such as the Musicians' Guild and the RWU Chorus. Soprano believes that "working with other groups on campus will help broaden the community and also reach more students." Students can find information regarding upcoming performances online and on flyers that will be hung around campus.

COMPUTING: RWU senior is wired in

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This program was made possible from a grant given by the National Girls' Collaborative Project, in cooperation with Girls, Inc. in Taunton, MA. In this program, McKenzie

describes Aiello as showing a lot of "commitment and enthusiasm," and having a "strive towards success.

Aiello became acquainted with McKenzie during Aiello's sophomore year at RWU, taking McKenzie's Introduction to Digital Thinking course. In this class, the program 'Alice' was used, and both animations and games were brought into the computing spectrum. "[Casey] was one of the few [women] to arrive in college knowing that she was interested in Computing," McKenzie said. "This was very unique." Although Aiello only had one class with McKenzie, she remained close with him over the past two years, particularly through the Basketball and Computing program. "She has served as an effective ambassador to those who are undecided about pursuing a computer major or minor," McKenzie said. Aiello's interest in computer

technology first came about in elementary school; she was very proficient with computers by the time she reached third grade, according to Aiello. Her mother'soccupation also greatly influenced her.

"My mom had a software job before I was born, and she has worked in the Information Technology (IT) departments of a couple hospitals," Aiello said. "She was always on the computer.'

Naturally, this augmented

successful year full of different performances in different loca-



All photos courtesy of facebook.com

The Roger Williams University A Cappela Choir, Special Delivery, performs during their Spring Showcase invitational last semester.

Aiello's interest in computers. By the time she arrived at RWU, her mind was set on majoring in computer technology. Aiello has widely discussed

with McKenzie the reason for which computing is generally unappealing to young women as a career.

"Computing is much more effective in a collaborative environment, with activities such as pair programming," McKenzie said.

Perhaps with this approach, computing will have more appeal to young women, but in the meanwhile, Casey has proved that this field is still very much alive.



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Between the sheets The yoga pants dilemma



Racy Stacie Herald Contributer

At the end of every weekend, there are few key behaviors I notice on campus that define a Sunday ... the slightly slug-gish pace of students walking around the quad, the impos-sibility to find an empty washer in the laundry room, and the constant vision of the Substa-tion car driving by. However, if you take one stroll down the aisle in the Commons during brunch or pause from studying long enough to hear the conversation occurring next to you in the library, nine out of ten times you will hear a group of dudes reminiscing about the weekend.

As a female, the words I usually pick out of the bro-talk concern the choice phrases used to identify women on campus who might appear sexually savvy. Yes, we are all accustomed to these descriptions and I even find myself using them in my own conversations. The words get flung about so regularly that most of us are desensitized to their meanings. How messed up is that? For every one derogatory word used in regards to a guy, I can think of three more obscene references to women. Trust me, I have seen the posters created using these words – graphic design at its best.

I have this conversation with girls constantly. I can be sitting in class with girls I barely know or in my room with good friends, and we all connect on the simple fact that we as women deal with this crap every day. Why is it that when a guy sleeps with someone he while the girl in question gets labeled as a slut? A girl does not even have to have sex to be a slut; she can simply be wearing yoga pants and receive that label

And THEN these same guys who call us sluts will turn around and call us a prude when we ignore their advances on a Saturday night. WTF? Correct me if I'm wrong, but it is this double standard that makes us a little crazy. Is it not 2010? Times have changed and last I checked girls could wear the pants too. Getting through college with a decent GPA is hard enough - do we

really need this added stress? It is absolutely ridiculous that we change our top eight times before going out on a Friday and still ask our friends: "Does this make me look slutty?" Is there even a correct answer to that question?

At some point you just have to say, "screw it." It is so much easier to make your own choices. Any yes, we occasion-ally ask for input, but I think it is up to each one of us to decide what (or who) we want to do because at the end of the night, the only opinion that really matters is your own. If you can sleep at night, whether you are alone or with a friend, that is all that counts. "Slut" is not a term that is going away anytime soon, but I am personally not going to live my life in fear of being called one. Webster's definition of a slut changes so rapidly that it is hard to keep up. All I know for sure is that I love wearing my yoga pants....

Sea Shells By the Seashore

Lisa Pellecchia Herald Contributor

Regardless of whether it is derived from elitist humor or resulting from vigilant observa-tion, the term "sea shell" has been indoctrinated among the witty as a means for dealing with the perpetual problem of rather oblivious comments that pollute the atmosphere of academia. While they were previously an occasional occurrence, the ignorant utterances of sea shells are now metastasizing at an incalculable rate. One might inquire as to what precisely this figurative notion pays homage to, and to those I suggest a review of how the echoing reverberations, reminiscent of crashing waves, is manifest in a simple sea shell. When one lifts the calcified object close to his or her ear, soft sounds in the surrounding area become amplified as they ricochet within the cavity of the shell, demonstrating just how responsive the human ear is to sound.

Now, take a moment and apply this natural phenomenon to "some people" you interact with on a daily basis. From personal experience it appears that the

extent of a sea shell's formal linguistic vocabulary, for some unfathomable reason, is the word "utilize," which they "utilize" quite frequently. The articulately eloquent diction the elusive sea shell resorts to is only prevalent when the hollow "sssssssshhhhhhhhhh" sound is silenced. Sea shells rely, habitually, on others' mildly insightful contemplation and intellectual conversations that take place within their vicinity. Being incapable of comprehending the depth of a well-orchestrated thought, sea shells attempt to reiterate such wisdom to no avail. The result of

which: vexingly empty noise. Bothersome? I know. A rampant epidemic? Possibly. Hope for the future? Improbable. One should be conscious of the overt distinction between a sea shell and a student struggling with arduous course material, as these students - the shrugging Atlas' within the community – are in actuality pensively reflective, though occasionally overtaxed by the weight

of their analytical investigations. The difference between sea shells and these students: the latter of the two will most certainly be appreciative of this satire. And to the sea shells reading this, please accept my sincerest apologies.





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- light Squealing, chirping or grinding noises
- Pulsating brake pedal Shaky steering wheel
- Increase in stopping distance - Car pulling to one side when you stop

Brakes are one of the more complex parts of your vehicle, so unless you have built a working nuclear reactor out of wood, you should not work on them yourself. If you experience any of these symptoms, make an appointment to see your mechanic

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never know when you'll need your brakes. Maintaining properly working brakes can be the

followed by a child on a neigh-borhood road, let's face it: you

accident down the road.

The warrants for Cape Wind blow nay-sayers away

Mark Fusco

Photo Editor

Alexandra Artiano Herald Staff Reporter

Coming from the South Coast of Massachusetts, I've heard a lot of debate over the pros and cons of windmills in communities. The biggest debate that comes to mind is about a wind farm proposed to be placed in Nantucket Sound. At times I can empathize with both sides of the argument, but at other times the argument seems a bit larger than the actual proposal. On the more liberal side, anyone can see the good that a wind farm that large could do to help soften the reliance on other natural

resources. It would also power "on average, 75% of the electricity usage for Cape Cod and the Islands" according to cleanpowernow.org a non-profit organiza-tion that fights for Cape Wind. The other side of the argument that I am less sympathetic to is mainly supported by people that would be directly hurt by the lack of dependence on oil such as oil heir William Koch. The "Alliance to Protect Nantucket Sound" claims that this project will not reduce our dependence on oil and will affect local fisheries along with many other consequences. Their website even offers that we should be focusing on "the transportation

sector with alternative fuels" but the fact is that the Cape Wind project will also help with Co2 emissions along with relieving the Cape Cod area of its dependency of oil. It really didn't take much effort to become educated in what facts are supported and which are simply just arguments. Even with all this debate

surrounding the proposed wind farm on Aug. 28, just a couple weeks ago, Secretary Ken Salazar approved the permit for Cape Wind to go ahead. He was quoted as saying, "This will be the first of many projects up and down the Atlantic coast." This was quickly followed by nonsupporters stating they would

bring this to court which could stall the project for a couple more years. Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick, who is a supporter of the project, said at the statehouse "on balance, Cape Wind is good for our environment and good for our energy needs.'

So where does that leave us as students at Roger Williams? Every time we pass over the Mount Hope Bridge to Portsmouth there are two wind turbines in plain view. Parents and students alike seem to be pleased with this view and consider it a nice foil to the RRWU dedication to environmental concerns. A freshmen here says she is a supporter because there is "no noise, clean energy, and it is pretty also." The view we have of these wind turbines is on a much larger scale than that people closest to the Wind Farm in Nantucket Sound would experience. Based on the scale and curvature of the earth the turbines would appear to be the size of your thumbnail on the horizon. The general consensus on campus puts into perspective how little it would impact the people that could see the wind farm in Nantucket Sound.

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BP Oil in Alaska: ebate over drilling



Courtney Costello Herald Contributer

This summer while most of you were enjoying the sand and surf of the East Coast, the Gulf Coast community suffered through one of worst oil spills in American history. The drilling rig, Deepwater Hori-zon, leased by British Petroleum, exploded on April 20, causing an environmental and economical uproar. Regulations were not followed prior to drilling and the safer equipment required was not implemented on the rig.

The people whose livelihood and careers thrived on the oceanfront were lost because of this disaster, and the Gulf's natural environment is now more endangered than ever before. Needless to say, both of these communities still have not yet felt the full repercussions.

Due to this disaster, President Obama placed a moratorium on all offshore drilling in the United States. However, it appears that BP still has not received the message that drilling in the ocean is dangerous for all parties involved when the rules are not followed or executed. As it seems, our British brethren have

another plan to get around laws put in place by the U.S. Government. Ultimately, BP has defied nature and created an island off the coast of Alaska to get around the "offshore" drilling freeze. This island, created by project Liberty, is a heap of gravel about 31 acres in diameter, located three miles off of the Alaskan shores.

Oh and by the way, the project is in the Beaufort Sea, which is in close proximity to a wildlife reserve.

The drilling process on the onshore (yet offshore) Liberty project island will be one of the largest and riskiest the company has ever created. BP plans on drilling two miles deep and then sideways, or as the experts like to call it, extended-reach drilling, to get to the oil reserve. This type of drilling style causes "gas kicks" – the same type of problem that caused Deepwater Horizon to explode.

One might be asking what the fuss is all about.... Despite the fact that BP got around the law in place because they screwed up to begin with, it is the sheer pain I feel and I know many others feel as well, when a company goes full force into a high risk project that has the ability to make the same freaking mistake. Now I get that they are still a business and need to make a profit, but their PR department needs to have better publicity on the positives. I'm sure many of you are sick of seeing the same two commercials on how

BP is "helping" fix the disaster in the Gulf, (cue seagull covered in oil).

I think overall, many would like to see BP and other oil companies take a safer amount of time before going into any extreme projects that might have a negative impact on our environment and economy.

On a more optimistic note, I spent some time on their website and BP has a great outline of their renewable energy projects. I think it would be in their favor to make wind, solar, and biofuel, a targeted issue in their marketing strategy, (not drilling off the coast of Alaska, please!) Hope-fully this initiative will bring the BP name into a better light and help them create a healthier community for us all.

Seals, polar bears, and environmental activists are up in arms over the recent news emerging which details that the evil corporation BP P.L.C. has requested a permit to drill in Alaska. By recent news, I mean the 100 million barrels of oil that BP has been prepar-ing to extract from underneath the coastline of the Beaufort Sea for the last five years. This recent bombard-ment against BP is fairly late. Before BP's huge technological failure, we all got to witness within the Gulf of Mexico, they had already studied the situation within Alaska and created the most cutting edge plan to reach this vast supply of oil.

The oil is under the coast of Alaska, and although drilling straight down would be really easy, the great engineers at BP have decided to build the oil rig offshore, and drill two miles underneath the bottom of the sea, and then eight miles back into the coast in order to reach the oil. But Andy, how is that better that drilling straight down you may ask? Good question student body! The answer is that this style of drilling is environmentally safer for the ecosystem. Just ask the fine people at the Wytch Farm oil field in Dorset, England, who since 1973 have been the longest onshore oil field in Western Europe to remain fully functional. The Wytch Farm oil field has never damaged the environmental region of southern England, and this is in part due to the directional drilling that they have pioneered. Wouldn't it be great if BP could incorporate this into the Alaska drill site. Too late they already did. The directional drilling that they are about to initiate is extraordinarily safe, so despite the dangerously fragile area they have chosen to drill in, there is little harm that could arise from Liberty Oil Field.

For those of you wondering how BP can drill despite President Obama's moratorium on offshore drilling, the answer is simple: the oil is under the



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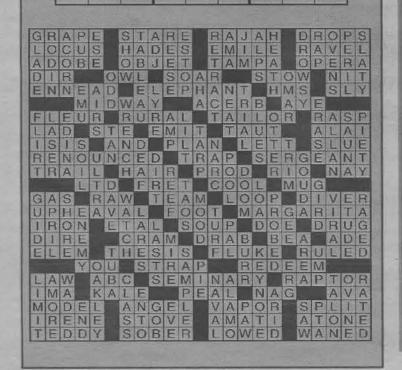
shore and despite the oil rig's construction offshore, the moratorium cannot effect them since it only prohibits wells tapping into oil under the sea. At least BP will be able to counter this ridiculous, unemployment-raising, economyhurting, and import-reliant piece of legislation.

I do recognize that there are some strong arguments against the oil field other than the environmental risk that BP is taking, so let's address some. First, who wants the Liberty Oil Field to: generate jobs to help combat our stel-lar unemployment rate? Also, Alaska and the National Government stand to reap massive amounts of royalties based off of taxes from the oil drilled, that would be boring. Who wants to be free from foreign oil that we are already way to reliant on anyway? More importantly, BP is running low on funds with which they can spend to help clean up their monumental screw up in the gulf and I know that nobody wants them to do that. So remember everybody, BP is not evil, they just screwed up. Let's give them a chance to redeem themselves and place some money back into our economy. Thanks and God bless.



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In tune: what's really good? "Dog Days Are Over" miles the Marke ****** Florence and the Machine Critic's Pick (Olivia Lyons) Known for her unique style and her unusual music videos. Florence and the Machine took the stage at the 2010 VMAs and wowed the audience. The captivating sound projected in "Dog Days Are Over" is one of those songs that makes you want to move. The song's popularity derived from the television commer-cials advertising the major motion picture "Eat, Pray, Love." Florence writes on her website, "I want my music to sound like throwing yourself out of a tree, or off a tall building, or as if you're being sucked down into the ocean and you can't breathe. It's something overwhelming and all-encompassing that fills you up, **Olivia** Lyons Herald Staff Reporter and you're either going to explode with it, or you're just going to disappear." Florence truly 'explodes with it.' Her song "Dog Days Are Over" is full of life and is worth downloading. "Hold On" Sam Adams (produced by Rusko) Each week, The Hawks' Herald will review three songs that are sure to pop up on Student Pick: Charles Spivey, freshman your next iTunes playlist. Our resident music reviewer, Olivia Sam Adams, a wildly popular New England-based rapper, is best known for his "I Hate College Remix" Lyons, will share one of her and his debut album "Boston's Boy." The up-and-coming rapper has now released the highly anticipated mix tape, "Party Records", which features his new single "Hold On." Sam Adams' newest hit "Hold On," produced by the popular DJ known as Rusko, is a collaboration between dubstep and hip hop. Dubstep favorites as well as bring you her take on two of hers. To submit songs to Olivia, is commonly noted for its electronic/dance sound. I normally do not find myself listening to techno-based email her at OLyons457@g. music, but I genuinely enjoy this different style of music. Dubstep is becoming a new musical trend, its popularity is intensifying and it is absolutely worth checking out. Sam Adams' "Party Records" mix tape is rwu.edu. available now and is full of this unique electronic style. "Kings and Queens" 30 Seconds to Mars X X X X Student Pick: Kim Frezza, freshman 30 Seconds to Mars' newest song "Kings and Queens" has a 'feel good' kind of sound. When compared to the band's previous hits, this song sticks out. "Kings and Queens" exerts a more inspirational mood and contradicts the genre that 30 Seconds to Mars is famous for producing. The band explores their talent and defies the limits that their genre has set for them. "Kings and Queens" has a U2 inspired sound rather than the band's typical alternative punk style. The engaging lyrics, "We were the kings and queens of promise, we were the phantoms of ourselves," provoke happiness and encourage a sort of artistic freedom. The pop-rock group won Best Rock Video, for "Kings and Queens," at the VMA's on September 12, 2010. "Kings and Queens" certainly has my vote for a download this week Answers to last week's puzzles Weight gain in young adulthood may cause serious health issues later in life 3 9 7 6 5 2 8 4 2 3 5 8 9 6 4 1 7 2 3 8 4 9 5 6 1 7 2 8 5 9 3 7 6 4 1



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LO: 80% of the time he is eating, he uses his hands. He says it makes the food taste better.

What do you think is the best physical feature about one another? Be honest.

RJ: Her eyes. LO: His feet. They're so cute and happy.



we can cuddle.

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Be dazzling: Healthy ways to whiten your teeth

Katlyn Proctor **Opinions** Editor

In today's society, people are constantly manipulating their bodies to alter an appearance. One way of doing so is with teeth whitening. Companies such as Johnson & Johnson have provided us with a multitude of whitening products including whitening strips, toothpastes, gels, and at-home bleach kits. The truth is, these products may

slightly whiten teeth but will most likely not remove all the stains. Here are a few tips to whiten your teeth without the added expensive of costly products:

· Watch out for the bad guys. Coffee, soda, and tobacco are the leading offenders of causing stained teeth. A simple

way to help reduce the level of stain is to drink water after ever cup of coffee or tea.

· Maintain a healthy dental regime. It's important to remember to brush at least twice a day. Flossing helps remove the particles between your teeth that a toothbrush can't reach, causing teeth to look whiter.

> Use a straw. Using a straw for cold beverages, such as iced coffee, helps keep teeth white because

the tainted liquid is on your teeth for a shorter period of time.

 Use helpful
products. Whitening toothpaste can be used every day and is fairly cheap to purchase. If you really want to splurge, electronic toothbrushes clean teeth better than a regular one.

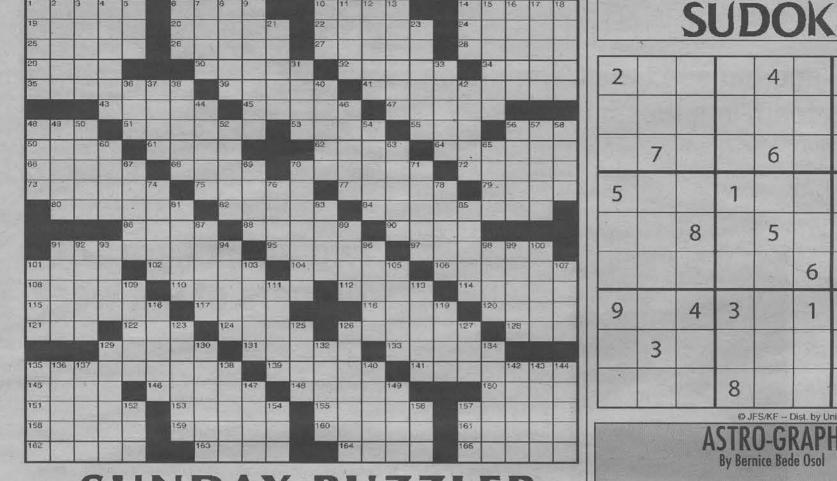
Words to live by: If it can stain a carpet, it can stain your teeth. Although it is completely impossible to cut food out of your diet that are dark in color, consider this when you select a wine.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - A friend who has been beneficial for you previously is likely to be so again. This person may be the one who initiates things for you, but you'll play the key role in the end.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - Devote all your effort to your most important project, because whatever you do is likely to go more smoothly, and will come out better than expected. The bigger your endeavor, he luckier you are.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) - Friends you chill with are likely to be luckier for you than usual. At least one among them will do something for you that you'll find to be extremely kind.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) - Try to go the full distance, because your luck could turn out to be in proportion to your staying power. Even if you're doing something you never did before, stick with it like nougat on the roof of your mouth.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Focus solely on the positive aspects of what faces you, and it will turn out to be extremely rewarding. Your success is predicated mostly on your attitude, so never stop believing to achieve.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) - You could be quite fortunate where material things are concerned, so focus your efforts on what you want and/or on sizeable opportunities. There might be more than one prize.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) - Friends, associates and family will offer to assist you in situations in which they see you are trying hard to T.C.O.B. Ironically, your self-reliance is what will be attracting supporters.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - Undercurrents are stirring that will help you transform some kind of major hope into a tasty reality. You'll get the first inkling today that this is happening.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - It's time to stop settling for second-best and elevate your sights a bit higher. Put forth that extra effort or con-tact that person who can help you achieve what your heart desires.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - Instead of merely being concerned about what is going on in your life at the moment, begin putting forth whatever it takes to reach that brass ring. This is a good day to get new things rolling.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - If something you're contemplating could be far easier to execute with the support of others, this is the day to agther the support you need. Talk to those who you feel would be an isset.



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Sports

Highlights from the competitions that you cheer for



Goal-oriented Hawks' scoring ace Laurin Pendleton leads team in successful season.

Abby Cunningham Herald Staff Reporter

The Roger Williams Univer-sity Women's Soccer team has begun its regular season play in full swing as it continues to strive to become a force to be reckoned with. With a 5-3 overall record and a 4-0 conference record, the women are proving to be one of the top contenders for The Commonwealth Coast Conference (TCCC) title. Exceptional wins over Springfield College, Salve Regina, and Colby-Sawyer College have undoubtedly earned the team prestige as a powerhouse squad among its competitors.

The Hawks' current success may be accredited to their outstanding chemistry and highly skilled athletes. One of these athletes, junior forward Laurin Pendleton, has contributed in the squad's success, as well as achieving numerous personal objectives. "I think the biggest attribute

to my success is my teammates. Without them, I would never have the opportunities to score and make the plays I do," Pendleton said. "Because of everyone's chemistry and ability to work together as a team, it makes us able to score and constantly move forward towards winning each game.

One of Pendleton's most recent accomplishments was her hat-trick against Salve Regina University - a feat which she accomplished before. Pendleton continues to strive for excellence to exceed the many expectations of her coach, family, and teammates, while always putting



Junior forward Laurin Pendleton knows how to put the ball in the goal.

the team's accomplishments first. "I drive to work harder and harder every day at practice just to make any improvement," Pendleton said. "As a team, we push each other to work as hard as we can which is a huge factor that contributes to all of us getting better."

Abigail Jackson, head coach of two years, agrees that Laurin's physical and athletic abilities

allow-her to not only contribute offensively to the Hawks, but defensively as well, making her a very versatile player. "This year we have started using her as a central midfielder, not only because of her ability, but also her

physical presence," Jackson said. "She can distribute, attack on the dribble, dominate the air and put the ball on the frame of the net from range." Pendleton has been recently named RWU Female Athlete of the Week, an award one could say she certainly deserves due to her dominating performance in the past

week's conference games. It seems that Pendleton will continue her success on the field. "I just do whatever it is throughout the day to get the right mindset to gain the confidence it takes to dominate a game," Pendleton said. This mental approach allows her and her fellow teammates to

face any team with confidence.

Jackson said she agrees that Pendleton will continue to strive for excellence. "We have some tough games approaching in the coming weeks,' Jackson said. "I trust that she will continue to contribute, be it with goals, defensive efforts or distribution."

The Hawks face New England College and Nichols College in the coming days, providing them with opportunity to further warrant their respected standing in the TCCC.



The Men's Cross Country team competes during a home meet at Colt State Park earlier this month.

Two again earn TCCC runners of the week Article courtesy

RWUHawks.com

For the second straight week, Roger Williams University sophomores Liliana Rutler and Mitch Leveille have been named the TCCC Runners of the Week after competing Saturday in the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth Invitational.

Finishing 33rd out of 290 run-ners at the Shriners Invitational, Rutler ran her personal best 5K time of 19:17, ranking the fourth-fastest in program history. This marks her second TCCC Runner of the Week award after



taking the honor Sept. 12th for her strong performance in the RWU Invitational.

Not far behind, Leveille finished 57th out of 272 runners. Upon completing the race, Leveille also reached a personal best time for the 8K race. After 26 minutes and 10 seconds, he earned a spot as the sixthfastest time in program history. Leveille also took the Sept. 12th TCCC Runner of the Week award.

The Hawks next attend the Pop Crowell Invitational Saturday Oct. 2nd in Wenham, Mass. hosted by Gordon College.



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Mitch Leveille and Liliana Rutler earned back-to-back honors from the TCCC for outstanding performances. Both atheletes logged personal-best times and top-ten school record times last week.



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> **Men's Tennis** 9.24.10 | 3:30 p.m. at Babson College L 4-5

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> 9.23.10 | 7:00 p.m. vs Clark University W 3-0

9.21.10 | 7:00 p.m. vs Bridgewater State University W 3-0

Sailing 9.18.10 | 9:30 a.m. at ALT. 60th Nevins Trophy @ Kings Point in 420s, FJs, & Lasers 12th/20

9.18.10 | 9:30-a.m. at 14th Women's Mrs. Hurst Bowl @ Dartmouth in FJs 13th / 19

9.18.10 | 9:30 a.m. at Hatch Brown Trophy @ MIT & **Boston University in 3 FJs** 14th / 18

9.18.10 | 9:30 a.m. at Boston Harbor Invitational, Central Series Two @ Boston College in 420 7th / 18