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Ramada Living Environment Fluctuates

By Gee Aertsen
Editor-in Chief

Every year, Roger Williams College over admits students who want to live in the dormitories. this is because the college is run almost totally on tuition fees. RWC needs a cettain amount of students to meet the budget to keep the institution solvent. As a result, the Housing office can not fit all the students who wish to live in the dorms on campus. Students are shuffled around and placed into neighboring hotel and inn accomodations until campus openings crop up.

During last summer, the college received 835 paid deposits for room and board in the dormitories. By this amount,790 students paid the entire deposit due on room and board. 762 of the original 835 actually showed up to find there room in September. Only 610 students were able to be allocated into the two dorms while the rest were divided up between the Newport Motor Inn and the Ramada Inn. The Newport Motor Inn received approximately 60 students from Roger Williams and the Ramada received approximately 100 residential students.

Since then, there have been some major changes both at the Ramada Inn as well as the Newport Motor Inn. The students at the Newport Inn have since moved into their new location at the Campus and the once happy atmosphere at the Ramada has fluctuated according to some students there. Food, simple services, problems with commuting were issues that plagued the student residents there.

Between the time the Ramada students talked with the QUILL members and today, there have been meetings between the Housing Department of RWC and the different constituencies at the Ramada to help iron out any problems. One new service which the Ramada students have received is a hotline phone that can call the house phones on the Bristol and North Campuses. Yet even this service is not problem free. The phone has since been disconnected because of technical reasons.

Dick Yakavonis, the off-campus Housing Director, said that, "we run a lot of buses" scattered throughout the day which should enable the students at the Ramada have access to adequate transportation to and from the college and the inn. He added that he was aware of the problems with the food at Ramada where only one serving was offered to the students and the commuting problem which both hae been ironed out. "I'm not aware of other things "Yakavonis said.

The initial problem begins from over admitting students into the college. To this Yakavonis remarked, "We give a student the opportunity who might not have had an opportunity." If a senior in high school applies to many colleges but only gets admitted to RWC, the college does not think its fair to reject his application just because RWC has no room in its dbrms. "It could have its negative effects", Yakavonis added,"I like to look at it the other way."

When asked how he thinks the management at the Ramada has handled this situation, Yakavonis said, "a lot of ways (the management) has tried," but, "He is (the management) not student oriented."

Dean Robert McKenna said last week that because of students graduating, the London program and the relaxation of the dorm contract, there will be enough spaces in the dorms that will be open to move the entire Ramada students to Bristol. To this date only 13 have signed up to move.

RALPH CUTILLO, owner of the Ramada cashes students' checks at the main desk. The management is always on the lookout for bouncing ones.

Some Ramada Residents Feel "Ripped-Off"

By WALLY ARGO
News Editor

"Ripped off" describes the feelings of most Roger Williams students currently residing at the Ramada Inn in Portsmouth. Although some of the students feel that "the advantages far outnumber the disadvantages," disenchantment and resentment was the mood of most students participating in an extensive *Quill* interview.

There seem to be three major complaints that students living in the Ramada have about their living situation. The first and most frequent of these complaints concerns the food quality, and quantity.

There are two meals offered every day and at the Ramada— breakfast and dinner, with brunch and dinner on Sunday. Although these meals are served on a schedule very similar to that of the campus cafeteria, students at the Ramada feel campus meals are like "a banquet compared to here."

On student attributes the poor quality of the food to the management: "Ralph, the owner, doesn't give good quality supplies to the cook to work with." Another student elaborated on this, saying, "Like today, for breakfast we had left-overs from last night's dinner."

Most students feel that although the quality of the food has "fluctuated" at the Ramada, "The food is good at times and bad at times." Generally they also feel that is has definetely gone downhill over the semester.

Another complaint about the food is based on the number of servings available. Each student is given on serving; there are no seconds. Some students feel they are not given enough to "survive" on. These students feel that "it is unfair that we pay the same amount for food as campus students, but the food we get is of poor quality, and in limited quantity.,,

The second major complaint that students have aoub the Ramada Inn concerns transportation, to and from school. One student said, when asked his opinion of the transportation situation to and from the campus, "It is a pain in the ass." Another student elaborated, "Transportation is a drag, if you don't have a car."

To prevent transportation problems, that could cause increased tardiness or absense from classes, the school designed a bus service at the beginning of the semester that ran to and from the campus every hour. Now, with the contino u s decreasing and changing bus schedule, many people find the service to "of little assistance" and "very inconvenient."

Because of this lack of assistance from the bus service, many students turn to automobiles for

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Presidential Wish

I must appreciate the opportunity provided by the QUILL to send Season's Greetings to all members of the College Community. I hope that the holiday period will be one which you enjoy in good health and one replete with the traditional joys of this Christmas-Hanukkah season. Those of us who will remain at the College will look forward to the return of those members of the community who will be away during the next weeks.

Sincerely,
President Virginia V. Sides

STUDENTS pass idle times by playing backgammon and studying for exams. Many students burn the midnight oil during their waning days of the Fall Semester.

SWIMMING POOL facilities were locked to any guests of the building when this picture was taken during the daytime. The posted hours seem to have no revalence.

Ramada Management Contests Allegations

By STEVE WEND
Staff writer

Cutillo said the only real problem that he had been aware of was the complaint of students that they couldn't have seconds at meals. he said this has been resolved and that students are now getting seconds.

Asked to respond to charges that students rooms were searched by the manager without the presence of an R.A. or one of the students in the room he replied that that was a "vicious and false lie."

He stated that rooms were inspected for damage, not searched. This he said is done once a week per order of Dean McKenna.

Cutillo then denied knowledge of two other problems voiced in the more recent past. That of commuting to the college and getting certain articles for the room, like toilet paper. When asked if he knew the bus shuttle schedule between the Ramada and the college he said no but that some one at the front desk ought to. They didn't.

Mr. Cutillo said there were no other problems to his knowledge. "We are happy with the students. Basically, very happy. He praised the R.A.'s saying they "haven't come with any problem in three to four weeks." He said to his "viewpoint and knowledge" things were going along "extremely well" and "The attitude is very good between students, the college and the management."

Mr. Cutillo claimed that he has resolved every problem that he knows of.

QUILL Predicts Tuition Hike Soon

By BILL MORENO
and JAMES MILLER

The budget outlook for the upcoming year is not very promising. After nearly two weeks of extensive research, QUILL staff has learned that student tuition fees will most definitely rise.

Determining the actual increase requires the analysis of four different indicators; the inflation rate, faculty salaries, enrollment, and receipts of outside monies (grants, endowments, and gifts).

The first priority of the 1977-78 academic budget is faculty salaries. Faculty salaries account for 53% of the $5,976,000 budget for 1975-76. Dean Robert McKenna said," he did not want to take anything from the faculty and therefore a slight increase in this percentage could be expected for the upcoming year." The RWC teachers' contract for 1977-78 calls for a 10% salary increase. The chairman of the Faculty Association, Dr. Thomas Holstein, stated, "salaries are rising to keep up with the cost of living and to keep RWC in competition for qualified teachers."

Taking into consideration that the rate of inflation is expected to rise significantly next year, McKenna said, "the student tuition at RWC would rise with the rate of inflation" and the cost of living. According to the Wall Street Journal (December 2, 1976) the projected inflation rate for the first quarter of 1977 will be 6.4%. This means the current rate is about 5.8 or 6%. This means that college costs, aimed directly at the budget, will increase. the projected budget for this 76-77 academic year is $5,371,000 minus "auxiliary" expenses such as maintenance, heating, lighting, etc. These "auxiliary" expenses are just as susceptible, if not more so, to inflation as teachers' salaries.

The bulk of fiscal responsibility falls directly upon students; via tuition, since the college receives very little from outside sources. If such outside sources; such as grants, endowments, gifts, etc; were available the student bill could

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BOB HENNEBERGER AND BILL MANDEL busily trim the ole Christmas Tree in hopes that Kris Kringle will be pleased and award them first or second prize in the Dorm Decoration Contest. Judges will make their rounds tonight. Units and floors will be judged on originality, beauty, and Yule Time spirit. The judges are also fond of sipping the refreshments concocted by all the good little children as they make their rounds.

Administraters Pledge Crackdown On Parking

By GEE AERTSEN
Editor-in-Chief

The administration promised a crackdown on parking violators and commented on the security problem at last week's Impact press conference.

Dean Robert McKenna said that security guards will have to begin walking around the parking lot when giving out tickets instead of riding around in a car. Towing will be stepped up when possible yet McKenna mentioned that towing new cars poses a problem. Because of the locked stearing column feature on most new cars, the traditional style of towing a car can not be instituted. To get around this, those with an aboundance of six parking tickets or more will not be allowed on the main campus.

Faculty owned cars hae not been, in the past, ticketed when found illegally parked. Next semester, faculty members will begin to find those red reminders on their cars if they are violators to the parking regulations. This Dean McKenna promised.

Security was also discussed, McKenna agreed that there definately is a problem with security at RWC, "We have been lax." Not enough control, said McKenna, is a major factor in inforcement of any security at the college.

Doctor Forced To Retirement

By Lisa Weiss
Staff Writer

Recently, there has been a controversy over the forced retirement plan of Dr. Zaki by the school.

Dr. El-Sayed M. Zaki, professor of Sociology, here at Roger William's since 1969, has been perhaps one of the most highly respected inspectors on campus due to his dedication and deep concern for his students.

His teaching career, however, will be cut short after next semester due to age requirements set by the school.

Word of his retirement plan has stirred much commotion among social science students and much of the faculty. His appreciation has been proven by a recent petition signed by over 400 students requesting his retention. copies of the petition have been sent to such authorities as Dean E. Wilde, and Dr. Virginia Sides.

The retirement issue was reviewed at the Social Science Personnel Committee on November 4.

Dr. Stein had discussed Dr. Zaki's forced retirement. This led to a suggestion that the mandatory retirement clause be stricken from the next contract and replaced with a voluntary provision.

Mr. Mancini followed with a review of the provision for specific retirement age by the RWCFA Contract Committee and the College Personnel Committee. This was Passed.

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Honors Seminar: Documentary Film

By WALLY ARGO
News Editor

There is a proposed honors seminar entitled "The Documentary Film," presently under consideration by the honors society. If the proposal goes through, the seminar will be offered for the spring semester, under the direction of Dr. Mel Topf of the humanities department.

The seminar will consist of two-hour meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays to allow for screenings and discussion. Students will present research papers and formal critical replies to these eminar papers as a basis for discussion. Readings will be assigned from texts and reserve books: these will be historical and critical in the main. Dr. Topf comments, "I hope to work closely with Scott C. Soresen of the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts, a documentary filmmaker in residence, present programs of visiting documentary filmmakers." Dr. Topf adds, "These programs will be open to the public."

The following is a brief insight into theseminar, offered by D. Topf:

Fifty years ago, the term "documentary" was first used by John Grierson to describe a kind of factual film innovated by Rober Flaherty. Since then thousand of documentaries of many diverse finds have been made in all parts of the world.

Grierson called documentary "a creative treatment of actuality," but it is more than this.

Snow Coming

In the event of severe weather conditions which could endanger either the lives and-or property of students, faculty and staff at Roger Williams College, classes will be cancelled and the campus will be closed.

When it becomes necessary to cancel classes due to inclement weather, the college will give official notice over radio stations, WEAN, WICE, WNRI, WLKW, WJAR, WPRO WGNG, WXTR and WHIM early asspossible in the morning. Usually this information is available by 630 a.m. for daytime classes and as soon as possible during the day for evening classes.

These instructions will also apply to the Providence campus as well.

Non-Smokers Revolt

By STEVE MOORE
Staff Writer

Harold Payson, the campus ombudsman, asked the faculty to consider adopting a ban on sxoking in classrooms at the Fov. 30 Faculty Senate meeting. Payson said he initiated this action on behalf of several students who complained to him about classroom smokers.

Faculty members expressed a range of opinion on both sides of the issue, but no formal proceedings resulted. Payson indicated that some of the faculty later wrote memos to him in support of the proposal.

Many students who smoke reacted to this news with invectives against the faculty and administration, and they appeared surprised when told that students requested the ban. Most non-smoking students were enthusiastic about restricting classroom smoking.

Complaints Getting Answered

The administration has acted upon the student feedback administrators received during dorm visits a few months ago. Although ths resolution of some of the difficulties uncovered will be long range, some problems have already been remedied.

Students requested Pre-Registration for the spring and Fall semesters. The Registrar has arranged for this to occur. Pre-Registration for the Spring 1977 semester took place the week of Fovember 29.

Student concern over ECPD accreditation for the Engineering Technology was expressed during the visits. As a result from this, an instructor in Engineering Technology will be released from some teaching duties to work with the Division and the Administration in pursuit of this goal.

Cigarettes will be sold by the carton at the Bookstore because of student complaints about the inability of the Bookstore to sell such commodities.

Long Snack Bar Hours Cause Many Problems

By Phyllis Jordan
Staff Writer

The experimental extended hours of the Snack Bar until 1 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, which was backed by Dormitory Government as a proposal, has been in effect since November 20 of this semester, to last a trial period of three or four week-ends.

The original hours for Friday and Saturday of the grill specifically are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. After which 11 to 12 p.m. cold sandwiches and drinks are served and from 1. p.m. to 1 a.m. the actual cleaning takes place.

With the grill remaining open until 1 the cleaning process goes on from 1 to about 2 a.m. "The problem is keeping the grill on for the two extra hours" Peter Di Sarro, manager for the Student Kenter stated in af interview. employees most being RWC students have to remain in the building an extended length of time. As one student employee puts it, "I'm a student first not an employee." Other student employees who work these hours feel it's "ridiculous" and that there has seen no show of attracting "additional business" during these hours.

Di Sarro suggested during the interview that sandwiches could be sold out of the Rat or Snack Bar until 1230 p.m. by non-student employees giving other employees a chance to clean and get out before 2 a.m. "Employees stated that they would be glad to sell sandwiches until 1230 rather than keep the grill on 'till closing" Di Sarro stated.

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OVER 400 RWC STUDENTS AND GUESTS came to what was termed as "the best party of the semester" by many students. The Christmas party, put on last Saturday night by the Social Committee and Dorm Gov't featured The Beaver Brown Band, a group of high energy funk and rockers based here in R.I. Here, in the dressing room, decadence runs rampant.

Beaver Brown: 'We Play It Because We Like It'

The ultimate essence of a good American rock n' roll band in the 1970's lies in your everynight hard working bar band. Their purpose is simple: to supply entertainment, a chance for Joe Dow to drag out the ol' blue suede shoes and shake a few tailfeathers on a Saturday night. The Beaver Brown Band proudly carries this tradition and last Saturday night delivered to 400 grateful RWC students vital medicine with which to cure their final blues.

The band, together for 3 1/2 years, is known by too many people in the R.I. area for only their renditions of Bruce Springsteen material. They are to my surprise, a well rounded, eclectic, dance machine which has learned its lessons well from the myth makers of the past such as Sam Cooke, Fats Domino, B.B. King, Mitch Ryder and The Beach Boys. True, they do a lot of Springsteen material such as *Rosalita, Dies This Bus Stop on 82nd Street?,* a funky version of *Spirit in The Night,* and an unreleased number called *Thundercrack,* but they do it out of reverance for the material, not to nessesarily imitate. "We do it because we like it... " said John Cafferty, alias Beaver Brown. "I don't want to be Springsteen anymore than Springsteen wanted to be Dylan." The attitude is the thing. A group like Sha-na-na- does oldies togue-in-cheek, a good group does it for real.

They warmed up the first set with *Fever,* a steaming, bluesy Springsteen tune recorded by E. Street honchos Southside Johney and the Asbury Jukes. Brown, at the piano, has a husky voice and carried the tune well, they were not ignored by the beer drinking audience.

They then schlepped into an original tune entitled *Down Along The Cove,* a number I find suspiciously reminiscent of *Jungleland* and *Rosalita.* To this Beaver commented, "Well, *Jungleland* is like *Barbar O'Reilly* (The Who)." A good observation, but I still feel his writing would be better off if he relied on his own instincts while composing rather than leaning so heavily on one artist. I ignored this flaw and waited for more. This tune was the last slow moment of the night.

Taking the classic punk stance, feet wide apart, Beaver launched into *Return To Sender* a la Elvis and man, was it good to hear that ol' saxaphone (Paul Jackson) dip and fly around ome shakey knees. The crowd hit the floor and didn't stop for the rest of the night. They later shared some rockers like *Shake, Rattle and Roll, Devil with the Blue Dress On, Wild Night,* and an original *Wild Weekend,* a raw surfer tune made to stomp to. At one point, they started playing the Bonanza theme and then launched into a wall shaking *Rosalita.* The audience was dancing ontthe tables and chairs. "*Rosalita* is the best song ever written," says Beaver matter-of-factly.

They also did an original gut wrenching blues tune. Brown's clean, articulate fret work owes a lot, as do many guitarists, to B.B.King, a difficult thing to master. Organist Bobby Cotoia belted out a fine vocal.

After a frantic *Kansas City* they were stomped back on the stage for a repeat *Dancing With My Baby* and once again for a final *Spirit in the Night.* The crowd went home buzzing.

Yearbook Progresses

This year, the Yearbook committee is attempting to change the yearbook from being just a senior oriented book to a book which includes every aspect of the college community.

The committee has gone through the dorms and have taken group shots in each unit which will be in the 'Dorm' section. Photographers also were sent up in a plane to take shots of a different view of the campus.

This year, the yearbooks will be delivered right to the homes of the students during the summer. It will contain eight pages of color and will be twice the size of last years book.

A professional photographer has been hired to take protraits of seniors. This will be the first time seniors will be able to purchase 5 x 7's and 8 x 10's of color formals which will be taken in February.

Faculty Meets

President Sides announced at the November 30th Faculty Senate meeting that RWC has received an anonymous goft for $10,000 over a period of four years.

The money will be used Dean Wilde for "faculty development."

He indicated that he has employed some of the funds to give release time to Mr. Chassaing to work on an E.C.P.D. accreditation for the Engineering division.

Sides also reported that the Veterans Administration has approved RWC for veterans' benefits. However, she noted that a recently signed G.I. Bill has new requirements which could cause future problems.

Also at this meeting, the Faculty Senate took action on recently approved Transfer Guidelines. They adopted a motion to change a paragraph in the Guidelines to read as follows:

"Students with an A.A. degree from a Class 'A' rated institution will be accepted as a junior and will be considered as having completed the liberal arts core requirements for the B.A. degree."

Tri-mester Proposed

There is a possibility that Roger Williams may scrap winter and May Intersessions and one of the alternatives considered is changing over to a trimester schedule.

Academic Dean Wilde said, "We will investigate the benefits of the intersessions. We are going to poll the students and faculty on attitudes relative to the intersessions". A decision will then be made based on this information. Wilde added that,"The weakness in the trimester program from a quality point of view would be in the summer component." The summer programming would be less varied because of a lower enrollment at that time.

Tuition will be effected in the sense that it would consist of deferred payments. The most a student would pay per year would be for two terms, even if a student took three. The third term would be added to the next year.

The trimester year would consist of three terms a year equal in length and almost as long as the semester terms. The fall term would begin two weeks later and run to early April. Two weeks later, the summer term would begin and that would run until mid-August.

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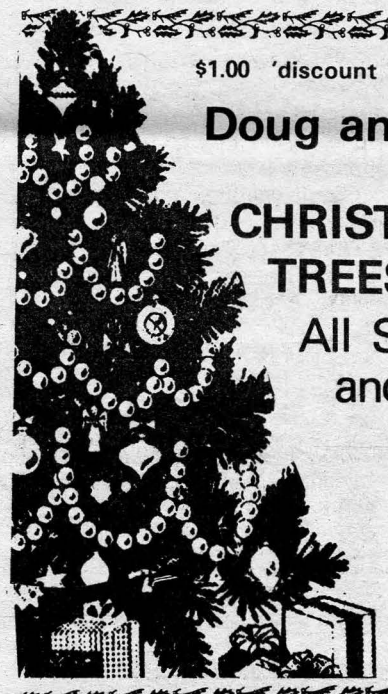

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The Roger Williams International Club held an international night on Wednesday, December 7 in the Bay Room. The crowd enjoyed dancing the DABKEE (a Lebanese folk dance). Some people even attempted belly dancing. The club is always open for new members. Meetings will be announced a week in advance, in the cafeteria during dinner times. Signs will also be posted in the QUILL and in the commuters bulletin board.

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Bait and Switch

In consumerism it is know as the "bait & switch" approach. A business advertises a product, the consumer is lured into the store. While he's still on the hook, the salesman then proceeds to try to sell the unwary shopper something either more expensive or cheaper in quality than the originally advertised product.

One example of this system, whether it be intentional or not is RWC's habit of over-admitting students who desire to live in the dorms each Fall semester. The student overflow is then directed into other living situations, namely the Ramada Inn and the Newport Motor Inn.

The incoming student has been shown the product, the beautiful "campus by the bay" (as the beer cups say). A while later they come and they are told that they can stay somewhere else. The bewildered student, having no where else to go, since it's too late to apply to another college, and all other off-campus housing has been sopped up by other students, is forced to accept. Whether in the end the new student likes the situation or not, he has been unfairly suprised. It would be hard to say that a student who has lived at the distant Newport Motor Inn has not had his grades affected adversly. At both motels, the isolated feeling students have from the main campus is apparent.

The QUILL feels that this practice is misleading and urges the new RWC administration to implement plans to avoid this situation. We would suggest that instead of having a part-time coordinator that it be made a full time job until things straighten out.

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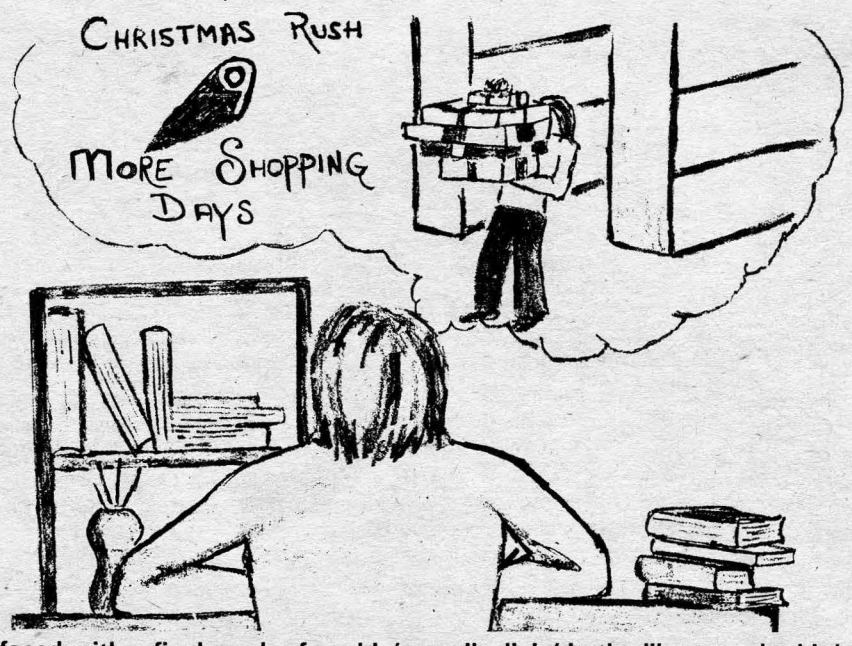

STUDENTS faced with a final week of pushin' pencils, livin' in the library and takin' tests will have another pressing problem when they get out; frantic last minute holiday shopping.

Holiday Break Brings Relief

When we put the QUILL to bed this evening it will be for a real long "Winter's nap." The next edition will be February 9, 1977. The editors and staff of the QUILL take this space to wish all members of the Roger Williams Family a safe and happy holiday, and for those returning for the winter intersession—a productive and successful period.

When the QUILL is 'put to bed' this Spring it will be the last time for many of us. When we return in February 1977 it will be to complete our last semester at Roger Williams. Now in the spirit of the season our most fervent wish is that new faces will appear in the QUILL office, thus assuring us of the continuation of the worth while and vital adventure that has become the QUILL.

An Advanced Journalism Workshop will be conducted for credit during the Spring 1977 semester. This workshop, according to Kent Walton—QUILL advisor and RWC professor, will utilize the QUILL as a 'living lab' for the course's academic endeavors. through direct involvement and participation in the QUILL.

Students who have completed Introduction to Journalism and students with a degree of journalistic experience are encouraged to enroll in the course, which is also participation in a vital and community oriented function—the QUILL. Students are highly encouraged to inquire about the course through either Kent Walton or the QUILL Office.

Seasons Greetings,
The Editors and Staff

Letters to Editor

Meals Prompt Gut Feelings From Student's Abdomen

Due to the latest meal I have forcefully pushed donw my throat, I was forced by my abdomen to write to you.

I'm really not writing to criticize all the meals that are put in front of us because some of the meals are pretty darn good! Lately though, in my own opinion, the meals haven't been much to talk about never mind trying to swallow.

Monday of last week we had *liver.* It tasted like something the "Three Stooges" would have cooked up! In other words, it was like a *shoe sole.*

Tuesday was beef cubes smothered with burgundy. I for one didn't enjoy the taste of burgundy. Wednesday we had meat loaf, are you sure there wasn't pebbles in it? Thursday it wouldn't have been too bad if spaghetti was seconds instead of firsts.

Then Friday we had Bake Bluefish. I had to smother it with tarter sauce and I didn't eat the stuffed shell because I hate cheeses! Saturday night we had "Sloppy Joes" but in disquise it was chile con carne on a bun and then they had to ruin the hot dogs by steaming them in beer. Not everyone likes the taste of this beverage.

I realize that you can't please everybody all the time, but I'm still waiting for a decent meal.

I really don't enjoy complaining, its simply not my bag! But when you have meals like this ro you find a fly baked in your pie or that the bottom of it has mold or that your friend opens a box of cereal and finds wheat bugs crawling around, then I have to open my *mouth!*

Thank you,
Doug Weatherwax

Mgr. Editor To Return

Dear Editor,

Perhaps you are wondering just why I am writing this letter to you but perhaps the reason will become evident.

I was thinking about transferring to Salve Regina College in Newport this spring to complete my degree in History. Naturally I called SRC and made some inquiries and got an appointment with a faculty member of the SRC History Department. Some of my questions were answered. I did not have money and a great amount of 'salesmanship' was laid upon me, at least that is how I feel.

I then conferred with a few faculty members, two administrators and some friends (students) at RWC. The faculty members gave unique answers, i.e., more salesmanship, one administrator urged me to delay my decision and one *did* finally give me some concrete answers but I must add that this last particular administrator should have been the one (by my expectations based upn prior experiences in this case) who administered the 'sales pitch.' One astute faculty member said "You can't do that to us... Brown or Harvard maybe... but don't do that... "

Of course my friends siad "Hell, yes, we are transferring also."

Nevertheless, I'll be back this spring come hell or high tuition.

I just hope that in the future the philosophies of the administration, faculty and staff will become more 'people' oriented and give up this ludicrous modern misconception of consumer orientation. In other words, 'caveat emptor,' what can I really help you with?

Merry Christmas
Gene Coulter

Parents Thankful

Dear Editor,

We are writing to express our thanks to all the students and all others of the "Roger Williams Family" who have visited Helen at the Newport Hospital. Helen and her parents wish to thank the Student Senate and Dorm Government for their most gracious gifts.

Sincerely,
Mr. & Mrs. Milton S. Kleinman

Dr. Zaki Grateful

Dear College Community:

I received from Dean E. Wilde on Thursday, December 2, 1976 with the greatest pleasure and gratitude a copy of the petiton digned by over four hundred students requesting my retention. I am writing to you to express my deepest thanks for your vote of confidence and support. You may have already known that my retirement agreemtnt with the college came as a consequence of a dispute about my age which I was pressured to accpet.

I can assure you that I will be always of service to the college community if I am needed regardless of my age. I feel capable of meeting my obligations toward by students, who have already proven appreciative of my service.

Sincerely,
Dr. El-Sayel M. Zaki

Editors note: Vice Qresident Rizzini stated at the *Quill* press conference of December 8, 1976 referring to his particular situation that Dr. Zaki's retirement age "was suggested by the faculty bargaining unit... Dr. Zaki signed it and will finish the second semester..." Rizzini elaborated that the question of part time employment for Dr. Zaki was still opne.

HELP WANTED. 2 positions are currently open for hire in Bristol. For further information please call Mr. White at 625-5089.

He's not what you think. He's really shy.

Anonymous

Letters to Editor

Thanksgiving Issue Revisited

Dear Editor,

It was with great dismay that I read the article concerning Thanksgiving by Lisa Weiss and Debby Loudin ("The Search For A Meaning") in the November 24 edition of *The Quill.* It is an excellent example of the creation of social myths about the past in order to make "fashionable" criticisms of contemporary society. The authors use their historical "re-creation" of Thanksgiving Day in 1894 to praise th spirit of that period while condemining the "turkey dinner" atmosphere of today. Unfortunately, all the authors really accomplished was to reveal their total lack of knowledge of the past the their resultatn erroneous observations of the present.

I think the authors (and *The Quill* editorialist who echoed their statements) would benefit from a brief review of America in 1894—the second year of the worst depression the country had sufferd to that date. Maybe they have forgotten about the Populist revolt their "idyllic" rural people were staging—the dying past of a people being strangled out of their way of life. Perhaps they didn't mean to overlook the deplorable conditions the vast majority of the nation's urban dwellers were living under, with a death rate estimated at twice the birth rate. And, or course, the thousands and thousands of unemployed and starving industrial workers aren't really part of that glorious year, 1894 (especially if they were being shot by Federal troops in the Town of Pullman). The list of "unattractive" conditions within "Gay Nineties" America could go on and on—the lynching of blacks, the "final" solution of the Indian problem, the destruction of the environment, the pollution of the rivers, the exploitation of immigrants from all parts of the world, etc, etc., etc.

The point I am making in all this is that the authors have presented an excellent example of the power of a small percentage of our society to pass their imagined past off as the cultural inheritance of us all. The fact is, that it is not. The vast majority of our ancestors were living quite miserable lives in 1894. If they did manage to find any "spiritual" satisfaction of Thanksgiving Day, it was in spite of, not because of, their living conditions. The effective power of the spirit rested only in its ability to help one forget the pangs of the body.

Yet, there is a message in the lives of our 1894 ancestors, it is the message of struggle and determination to make real the promise of America. THE DREAM THAT TRUE DEMOCRACY IS attainable, that suffering and hate are not necessary aspects of life, and that justice and equality can be more than merely words in a "pledge."

Our ancestors didn't achieve these in 1894, but the promise is still there for us, and they left us a heritage of working towards these goals.

In conclusion, I can only hope that the authors and readers of this article will find the opportunity while at Roger Williams College to analyze the reality of American life, past and present. It is a prerequisite for realistically approaching our own world with a view to making it a little more just than when we found it.

Sincerely,
Kevin Jordon

A Rumbling Of Stomachs

Dear Troubled Stomachs,

We are sure you have all had to cope with the constant loss of appetities and stomach aches resulting from the food served in the cafe. Although some people do not seem to care, as food is seen on the walls, ceiling and tables, others do. We are not saying that we propose to do a better job preparing our food, but we do feel that a better job could be done by the people running our cafe.

At this time, a few suggestions may be helpful towards next semester, but to what extent? A few examples of unappetising dinners are as such: First: Braised Beef, Second: Grilled Cheeses or Sloppy Joes and Hot Dogs, or Tuna Casserole and Grilled Cheese. These could very easily be put to better us and not served together constantly. Also, on weekends, there are never any diet plates or at brunch, cream cheese and bagles are scarce.

We pay good money at this college and it seems that it is going into someones pocket unnoticed! The quantity of the food does no so much matter compared to the quality, which at this time is *nill.* If we all get on their backs about this, maybe next semester the problem of malnutrition at RWC can be cured.

Sincerely and Starving,
Concerned Students

Tuition Hike

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be cut. "The college can not expect outside funds to increase for the upcoming year," says McKenna.

The only way to determine just how much money the college will have for the 77-78 budget is to project the total enrollment for the year. The estimated total enrollment for the year is 1548. This figure was released by the chairman of the budget Committee to the Quill.

Another reliable source was quoted at 1545. The enrollment figures for this year (1510) is similar to that projected for next year.

With the increased costs and the sole financial source being tuition, we predict a minimum increase of 8% in that tuition.

This figure is the result of the predicted rise in the inflation rate and the ten percent hike in teachers salaries; salaries are well over half of the budgets expenditures.

Rip-Off at Ramada

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transportatoon situation is resolved through the use of busses and hitch-hiking, accounting for about one-half of the problem and personally owned autos covering the other half. As one frustrated student put it, "if we didn't have cars we couldn't make it."

Ramada students feel that the burdens of paying for gas and tolls and the reliance upon other students for transportation is unfair.

The third complaint shared by Ramada students concerns the general attitudes of the management of the Inn towards the students and how this attitude affects living conditions. Students find that these attitudes, their treatment, and the quality of food, fluctuate. "Realtions tend to improve and then get worse again. We complain and things get better for a while."

Most students at the Ramada think "there is an honest attempt by the mangement to make us feel comfortable; they are becoming more sensitive and aware of us as people.-' In spite of this attempt by the management, students generally feel on occasions, "attitudes of the management stink... they treat us like children and then expect us to act like adults." One student mentioned,"we catch all the verbal abuse and get blamed for anything that goes wrong."

Things do, indeed, occassionally go wrong at the Ramada. For instance, some students were 'slapped' with illegitimate phone bills, when some of these people did not have phones in their rooms. On another occasion, $15,000 worth of linen was stolen from the motel. The management took immediate action to recoup their loss by assessing each student $15.

Most students feel that this and other charges for damage done at the Inn are unfair. As one student put it, "on the weekends there are lots of people from the disco downstairs who get drunk and sometimes rowdy. I would think that a majority of damage done could be attributed to these unwanted, destructive individuals."

One student mentioned that the mangement and the maids have been known to search rooms for damage and stolen goods, and have confiscated items such as towels which belonged to students.

Another student reported that these searches are only 'legal and fair' when either a resident assistant or an occupant of the room are present. Many such searches have been carried out without either present.

Heritage Entertaining

By MEREDITH COIA
Staff Writer

The R.W.C. Coffeehouse Theatre pulled off another good show last Friday night! Although the production itself may have been a little rough around the edges, it is understandable as exams are getting us all.

The play was based on a historical background of the late President Lincoln's family tree. Beginning with the president's grandmother, Lucy Hanks, portrayed very humorously by Francis Johnson, the play concluded with thte death of the President himself, as he was assasinated by John Wilks Booth in the "Fords Theatre."

The story begins with rather humorous details of Lucy Hanks affairs, and her eventual marriage to Henry Sparrow, then moves on to tell of her daughter Nancy Hanks, the president's mother.

Although we never actually see the president, we learn of his childhood, his marriage to Mary Todd, and his seemingly endless attempts to become a congressman, and then President. We learn that without the help of Mary Todd, the rich daughter of a New England lawyer, played by Susan Thompson, and her constant nagging, and blind ambition, he may have never accomplished what he did.

The show was interesting, and funny. Although it was rather rough around the edges; lines not memorized, and blocking occassionaly un-graceful. However these added incidents were well received by the audience, and did not distract from the play.

For anyone who could not make it, too bad, and maybe next time. The combination of a good cast, a good script, and a good director resulted in a very entertaining production, well worth the fifty cent admission.

VA Crisis Ends

By EUGENE COULTER
Managing Editor

Mr. William Gaudreau, director of the Veteran's Administration Regional Office in Providence in a telephone interview with the QUILL, reported that the State Commissioner of Education has sent a letter to President Sides which in effect recognizes that grading and attendance proceedures proposed by the school administration—following the VA threat to withhold VA benefits from approximately 450 RWC students—have been approved by the State Approving Agency and the Veterans Administration.

President Sides was not available for comment at presstime Monday.

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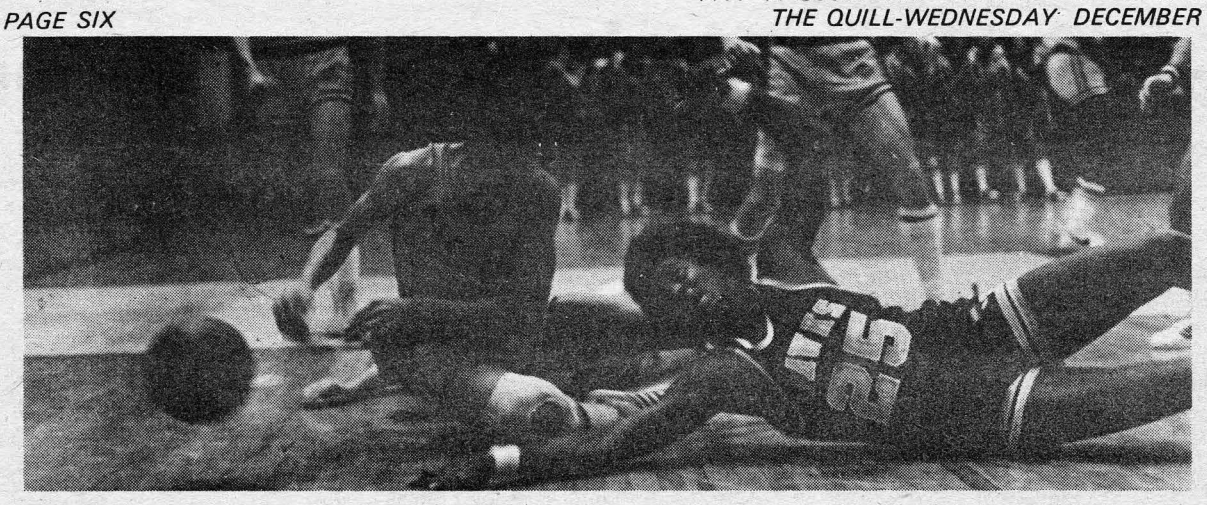


KEITH GURLEY scrambles for the ball in game against RIC a few weeks ago. Victorious against Franklin Pierce, the Hawks suffered a temporary setback by the hands of Curry College. They then bounced back against St. Joseph's and New England College winning convincingly by 99-60 and 126-60 scores respectively.

Hawks Bounce Back

The RWC basketball team demolished poor Franklin Pierce last week by a score of 93-52.

Four Hawk players scored in double figures. Ed Morris and Bob Hennenberger shared individual honors with 13 points apiece. Kevin Wynne and "Cheese" Holloway followed with 1. and 11 points respectively.

From a 42-21 score at halftime, the Hawks never looked back. Shooting 73% from the floor and stealing the ball 8 times, the Hawks wrapped up the victory early.

Basketball then took to the road and lost to Curry by a score of 82-77. "Cheese" Holloway's 29 points showed that team score balance was lacking. Hennenberger was the only other RWC player in double figures with 14 points.

Hennenberger had this to say about the game, "The RWC basketball team is in trouble. It has just been beaten by a team that couldn't win an intramural championship."

When asked what his solution to the problem would be Hennenberger replied, "For us to win we have to start using our big men. However, there is no need to panic. Bur team will win our conference because our conference is a weak one. This would mean an automatic bid to Kansas City. No matter what our win-lost record is wouldn't make a difference. We could go in 11-12, but we don't want to go in that way."

Hennenberger believes there is hope as he tells the Quill, "The players are giving 100%. Everybody's trying, we're just not together yet. When we do get it together we're going to kick some team's tails. the year we went to Kansas City we were 3-4 at the start of the year. Then we won 18 straight games and finished with a 21-6 record. The losses shocked us into doing the things we had to do."

The Hawks then bounced back against St. Joseph's of ermont and New England College of New Hampshire by scores of 99-60 and 126-60 respectively. In the St. Joseph game, Keith Gurley led team scoring with 17 points. Other players in double figures were Hitteshew and Holloway with 1. points apiece, and Hennenberger with 10 points.

Then in the Few England College game which the Hawks won convincingly by a 126-60 score, Kevin Wynne led scorers with 22 points. Others in double figures were Chase with 20 points, Hennenberger 13 points, Holloway with 12 points and Gurley with 11 points.

The Hawks now have a 4-3 record for the season thus far. The next game is scheduled for January 8th against New England away.

Basketball Sports New Cheerleaders

Basketball now sports its own cheerleaders at the games. Carol Fuller is faculty advisor for the squad.

Those on the cheerleading squad are as follows, Co-captains Marsha Taylor and Lori Gutzwiller with regular cheerleaders being Diana Mautner, Lynn Pennine, Avis Gold, Traci Gourdine, Heidi Goenig, Donna Ketcham, Lin Holmes, Jo-Ann Schmidt. The alternates consist of Sally Serfillippi, and Karen Tobia.

Carol Fuller faculty advisor, tells the Quill how the cheerleading squad got its start, "Marsha and Lori took the initiative to get the activity going. There is little activity going on for women on campus. I was asked to be advisor, it sounded like a good idea so I agreed. Tryouts were held two weeks ago. Sixteen tried out and 13 were accepted. Judges for the tryouts were, Karen B'Connell, Sharon Madeira, a Bristol High School teacher, and myself.

Hector Massa, Director of Athletics at RWC says on the subject that, "The team received a pleasant surprise when the cheerleaders baked a cake and decorated the locker room before game time. They are doing an excellent job for the short time they've been together."

Sports and related activities seem to be growing in number on campus on an exponential scale. All that is needed is drive initiative, and determination to keep an activity alive.

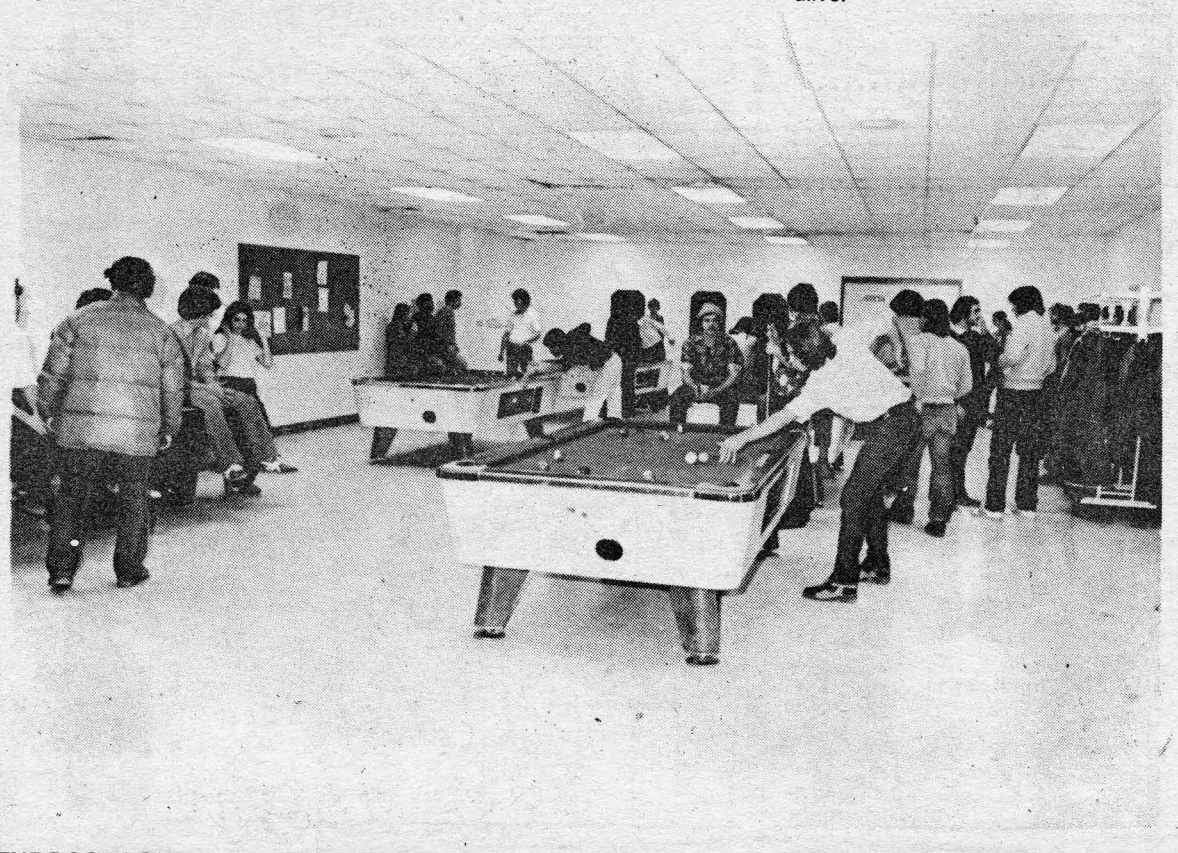
Pool Tourney: A Success

The annual RWC Pool Tournament was held last Wednesday and Thursday in the Student Center. Bill Mandell became the eventual champion of the pool stick tourney.

Each contestant paid a one dollar entry fee before play commenced.

Hector Perrier was in charge of the tournament.

Semi-finalists were Dean Mazur, Doug Willis, and the eventual winner Bill Mandell. Bill drew high card so sat out as Dean and Doug battled it out between each other for the right to play Bill in the finals. Doug came out on top, so the final head to head confrontation was against Doug and Bill. Bill Mandell came out on top, so earning the 25 dollar first prize. Runner up Doug Willis received 15 dollars as runnerup of the tournament.



THE POOL TOURNAMENT last week gathered a large number of students to the student Center. Bill Mandell won the tournament and received the 25 dollar first prize. Doug Willis placing second received the 15 dollar runnerup prize.

Sailing Elects Officers

Last Wednesday night team officials were chosen to represent the RWC Sailing team.

Dave Kurt was chosen as president, Garard Corneau was appointed vice president, Allison Lyptak was named secretary Stephan Bradfate is coordinating secretary, and Scott Manning is treasurer.

This spring the team will be racing against some of the colleges in the Northeast. Among those on the list are, MIT, URI, WPI, SMU, BU, and BC along with Brown and the Coast Guard Academy.

Personal enjoyment is the team's prime objective. The team will have both average and skilled sailors alike serving as both recreation and sport, and providing challenge and achievement.

Presently the team is working out the possibility for our members to use the boats of the bristol Yacht Club. This will involve joining the club on a junior-intermediate basis. This will account for the major portion of the expenses for the coming spring season.

The Sailing team is hoping that the school will provide funds necessary for a membership package deal. Many colleges are presently using this procedure where the college pays the bulk of the fees while the student pays a much smaller amount.

The team is attracting new individuals all the time. Students are organizing now, so when spring comes around the team only has to launch their boats and pursue their goals.

In the near future the team will be looking for a faculty advisor. Someone who is willing show interest in the team and what it stands for.

The team is now reaching out for all day students who would like to join up. Persons with basic sailing techniques would be appreciated. However, there are some on the team with very limited sailing experience, so a student can learn as the season progresses. There is among us Garard Coreau who is a sailing instrucor and is willing to teach people how to sail.

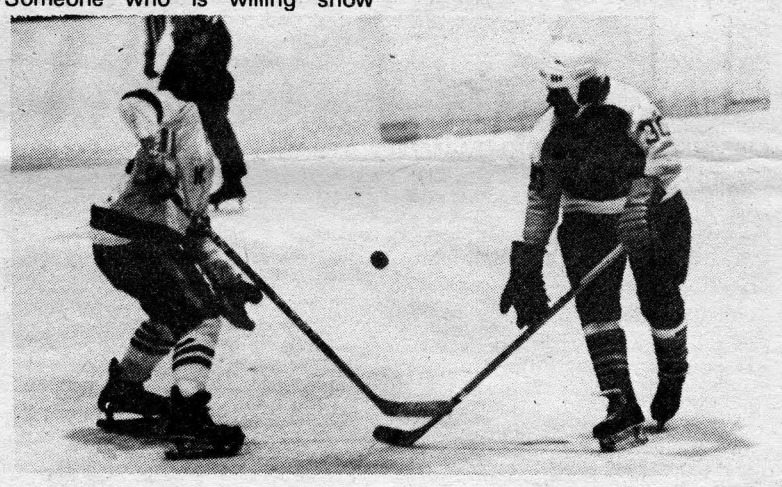
The Sailing team's next meeting will be held during the second week of next semester.

Hockey: 3 Victories Last Week

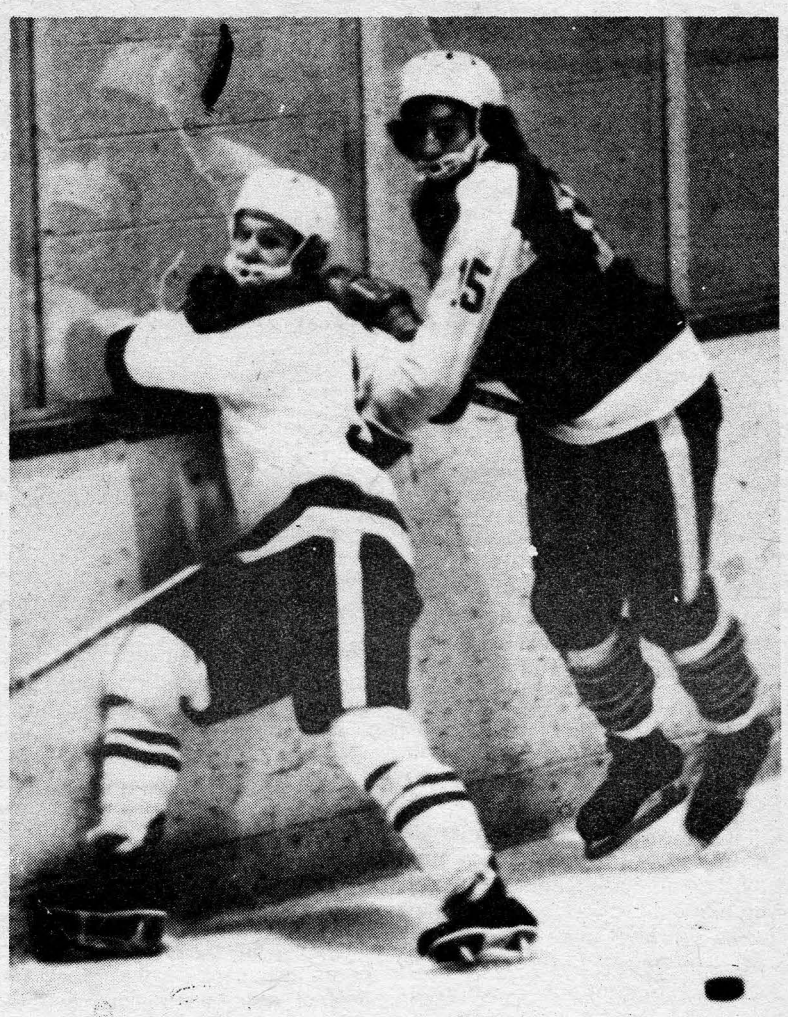
In the first game against Clark, Charlie Berthiaume scored three goals in leading the Hawk hockey team over Clark by a score of 7-5. Other scoring for the Hawks were Bob Pendergast, Gemmell, Whipple, and Snyder all contributed one goal apiece toward the winning cause.

In the second game played last week, the Yawk hockey team defeated Hawthorne in overtime by a 5-4 score. Bob Pendergast and Charlie Berthiaume led Hawk scoring with two goals apiece. John Snyder also added a goal to the winning cause accounting for the 5 goal score.

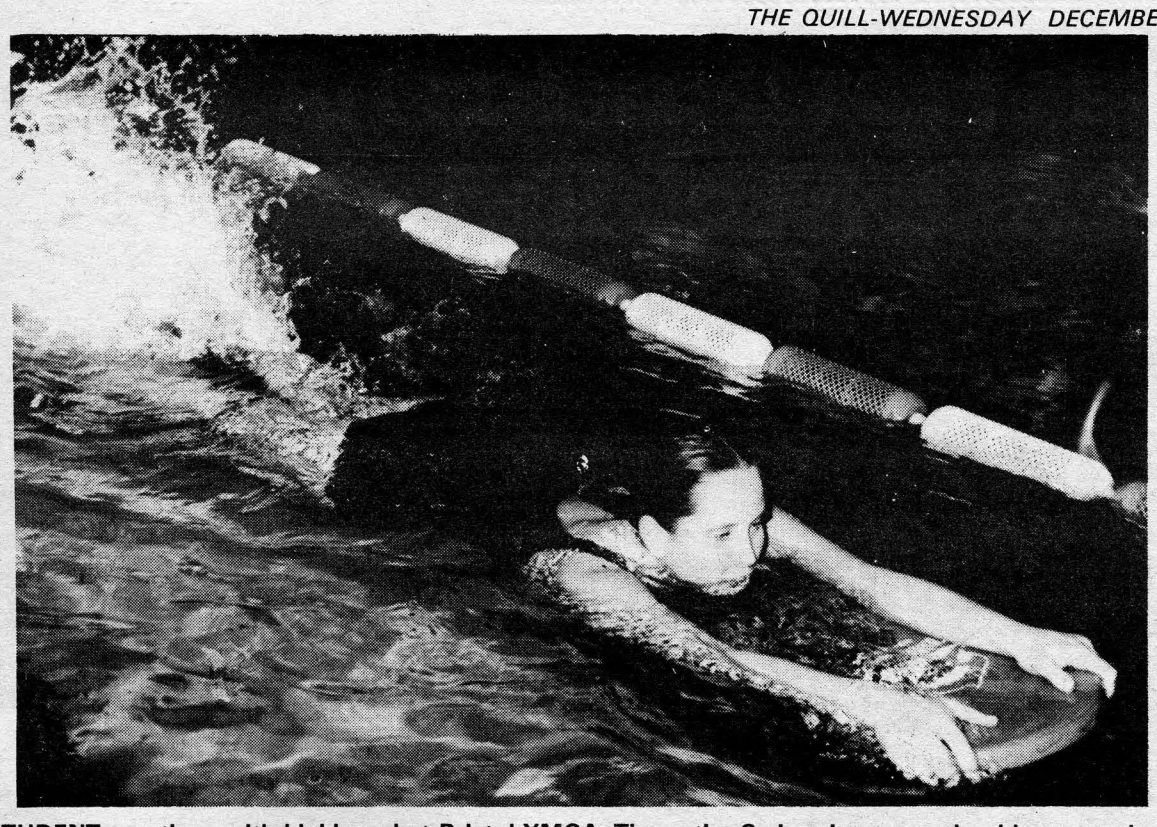
Then in game number three the Hawks came out on top by a 8-6 score. Coyle led RWC scoring with three goals.



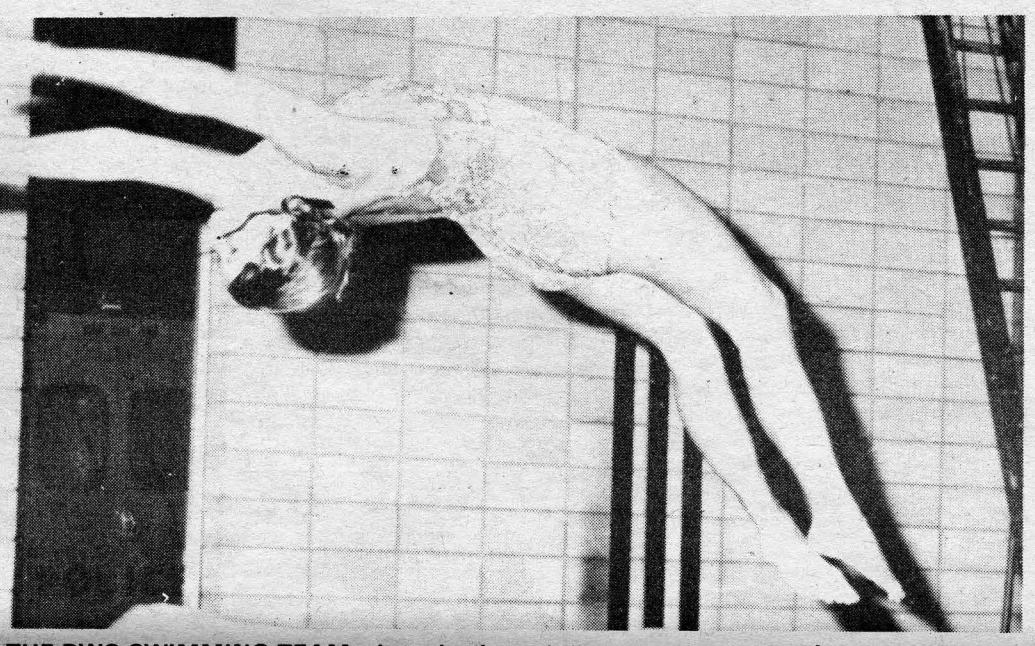
TWO OPPOSING PLAYERS seem to be saying that the puck went that way in Hawk action against Hawthorne last week.



HOCKEY recovered from its slow start this week coming up victorious three times. Charlie Berthiaume leads the way for the Hawks in the scoring department.



STUDENT practices with kickboard at Bristol YMCA. The entire Swimming team should see much action when they compete against area schools in the near future.



MEMBER OF THE RWC SWIMMING TEAM tries a backward dive as the team continues to prepare for meet competition in February.

Swimming Loses Meet

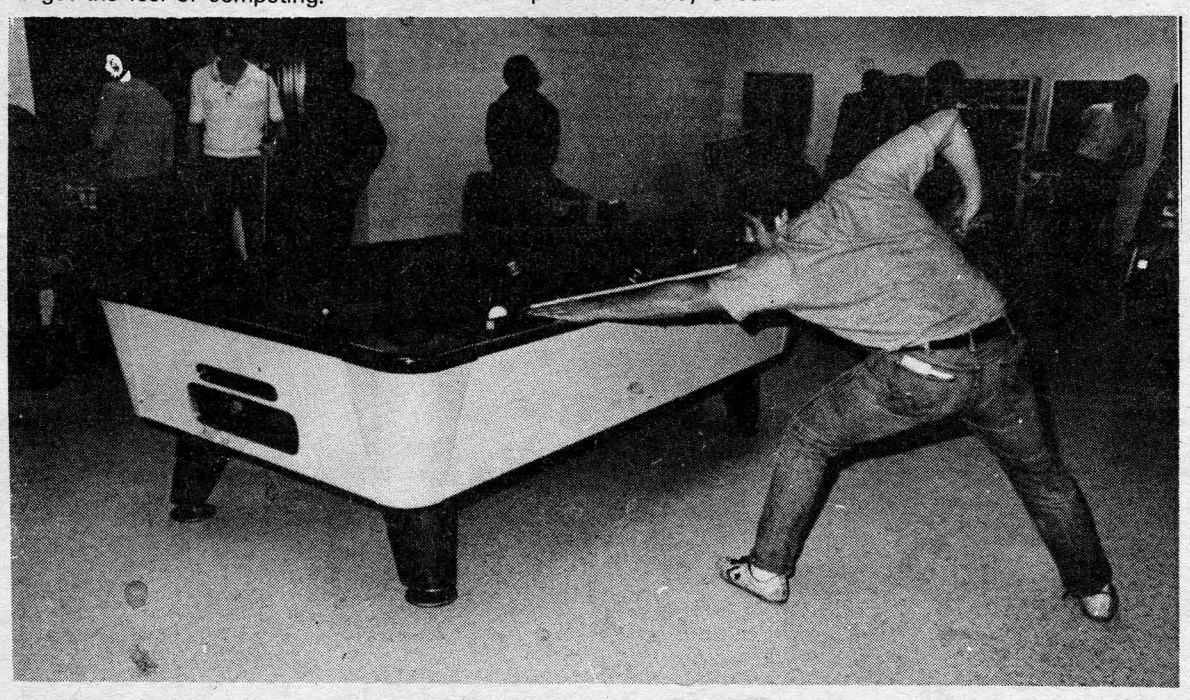
The newly formed RWC swim team participated in their first swim meet on Wednesday December 8th.

The swim team was defeated by the Bristol High School team by a score of 56-37. The practice meet was good experience for the team to get the feel of competing.

The members from the team participated in such events as the individual medley, the 500 yard freestyle, diving, and the 400 yard freestyle relay. The team worked very hard and morale was high.

The practices the team has learned from the first meet, have not been up to what they should be. Therefore, after more rigorous practice the team should be ready for the next meet after January Intersession.

Intersession schedule will be posted soon. Any interested students please contact Coach Peter Randrup in SM 104.



GREGG KESSLER AND LARRY KATZ compete in first round of Pool Tournament held last week. Gregg shows his form as Larry looks on intently.

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Harriers Hope For Recruits In Future

The search is on for distance runners. Half of the 1976 Cross Country team will not return due to graduation. Replacements are needed for the 77 season.

Freshman Greg aslet is ranked number one by a few country miles. greg has individuaw dual meet victories against Barrington and RIC to his credit. Then Greg came in 5th in the states with a 26:06 time. This has other teams thinking about Greg for next year. Imagine other teams worried about a RWC runner, That's like saying the Few England Patriots would be in the playoffs four years ago.

Ranked number two is Senior Ben Hellmann. Ben had difficulty breaking the 30 minute barrier in the past three years. this year though was a different story completely. He ran under 30 minutes for 5 miles four times, his best dropping to 2919, and displayed a 2934, 16th place in the states. His goals were to break 30 minutes once and the team win once. Both himself and the team were successful as Ben broke 30 minutes four himes and the team won four times. Truly an overall successful season for both Ben and the team.

In the number three position is Freshman Dave Kurt. His best 5 mile time was 2929, and his 2930 earned him a 14th place in the states for the second best on the team. dave ran in all 7 races with three of them under 30 minutes. Perhaps the hardest worker on the team, Dave could often be seen running individual workouts on top of regular ones.

Ranked in the number four position is Senior Tom Sheehan. Tom's first race was a solid one against Barrington College, coming in 8th in 3129. After some mediocre performances at Gordon, Bryant and Barrington once again, Tom put it all together in the states. He finished with a 29:39 time, just 5 seconds behind Ben. This definitely was a factor in the defeat of Barrington in the States.

Finally in the 5th position is Senior Chuck Andjeski. Coaxed into running in '75, Chuck ran four out of 7 races in '76. His 38:53 time in the first race was his best for the season. Although his place usually didn't account for an appreciable difference in the score, just being 5th runner when we needed him definitely helped.

According to captain and four year veteran of the team Ben Hellmann, "It's never too early to get started so that the sport can continue to thrive."

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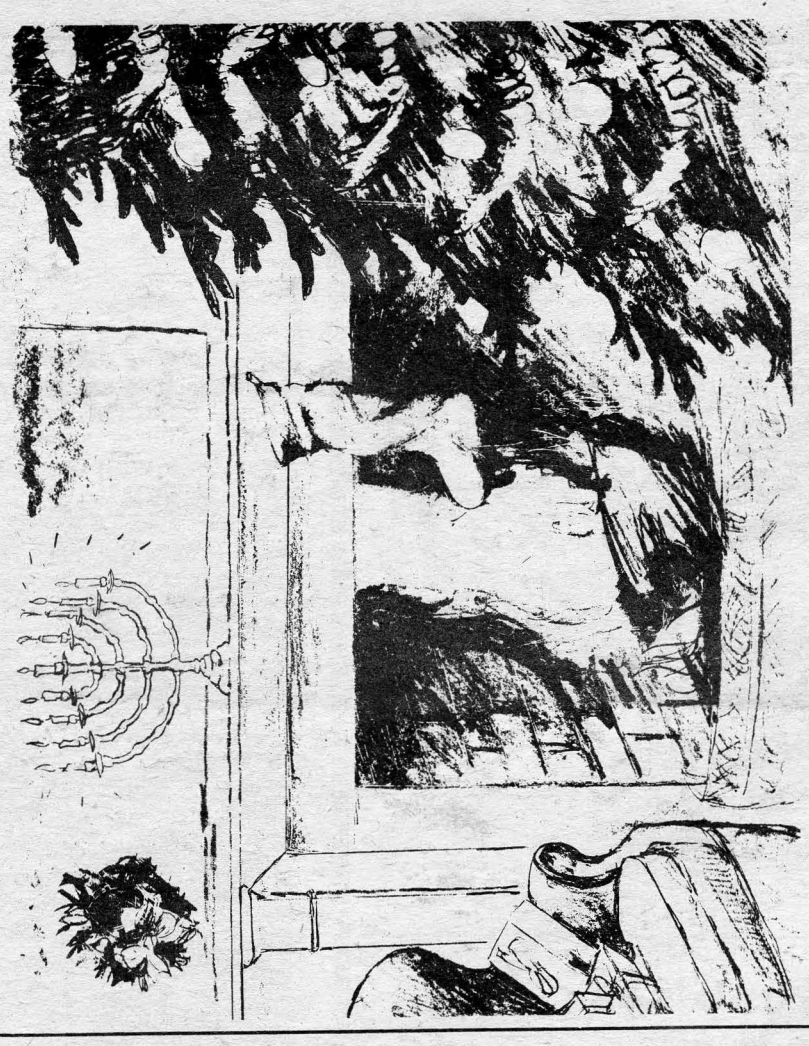

IN LESS THAN ONE WEEK, students will begin their well deserved vacations. Many parts of the country as well as other continents will be visited by students as they take their repzctive sighs. Before this can happen, students must take those final exams which will begin this Friday. This is the only thing that is standing in the way of most students from enjoying the holiday season byt to some, there is another facet of college life that is in the way. To find out what, see feature and photos on page one.

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Whats Happening

PLACES TO GO

Trinity Square - Washington Street, Providence, (521-1100). Thru Dec. 19 *Of Mice and Men*, by John Steinbeck. American Drama Portrayal of the quest for the American Dream among Migrant Workers in Pre-depression California.
MUSEUM OF ART* R.I. School of Design, 224 Benefit Street, Prov. (331-3511)
MARVIN BROWN EXHIBITION: Maria Callas and her American Kitchen, Part 1. Thru Dec. 20. Contemporary Arts Center, 259 Walter St., Warren.
THE LIBRARY (RWC) - A nice place to visit during fianls week. Hours extended till 12pm. on week days for the duration.

NIGHTSPOTS

BOJANGLES; Purgatory Road, Newport (846-8852)
BOURBON STREET; Williams Street, Newport (849-4747) Rock Music Nightly.
BOVI'S; 287 Taunton Ave., East Providence (434-9670) Duke Belair and his Big Band every Monday.
ELIZA'S; State Street, Bristol (253-2777)
FLICKS; Across from First Beach, Newport (846-6919)
HARPO'S; Downing Street, Newport (846-2948)
RAMADA INN; Across the Bridge (636-3600)
SALT; Thames Street, Newport (847-9527)
MR. "T" 's; Bradford Street, Bristol (253-9848)

WHATNOT

Business Club Meetings - Every Weds. at 2:00 in S&M 121. All are invited.
COFFEEHOUSE THEATRE - "A Little Dancing," explores hippocracy from generation to generation. Directed by Marilin Bernstein Friday at 8 & 10pm.

Editors Note: All clubs and organizations within the RWC community are urged to submit news of activites or events for by our deadline every Friday at 10am. Hi Deb.

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