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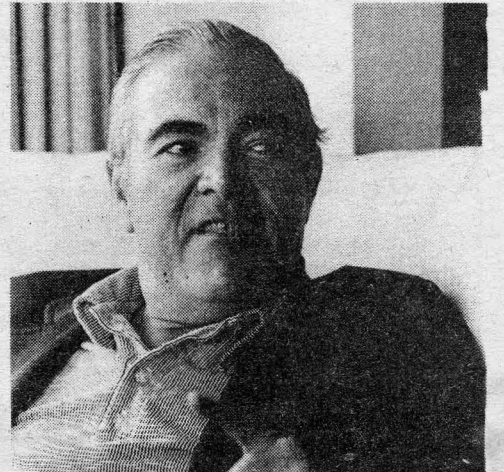
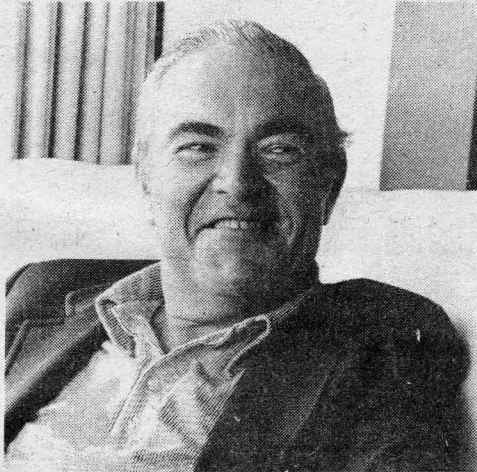
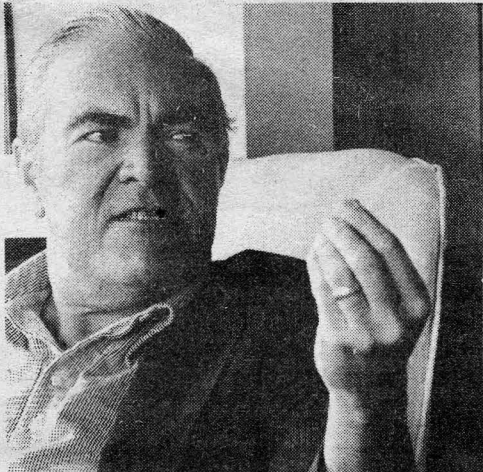


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Former President Hopes For Change

By GEE AERTSEN
Editor-in-Chief

A little older, a little wiser, and maybe a bit heavier, Dr. Ralph Gauvey, former President of Roger Williams College, is currently living in Newport. He has said, on many occasions since he left in 1975, that he has no animosity toward the college or the community, despite the adverse feeling the community still may have toward him. For the last two years, Dr. Gauvey has been thinking a lot about Roger Williams and the philosophical aspects thereof.

In a recent interview, Gauvey said, "All we know is a lot of superficial stuff about our environment. My god, why do you

think there are so many divorces. Why do families have trouble. Why are young people alienated from their parents." Gauvey believes that the problem is miscommunication and the fact that people do neither listen nor try to ascertain what is happening.

"I can understand what happened to Miss Sides. You begin to fight a losing battle." He said that the same things that are going on now in the Board, were going on a few years ago when he was president, "I know a hell of a lot more about what is going on with the Board of Trustees because I lived through it." Gauvey added, "In my case, my power had eroded because of other factors too. I had

simply been there too long in this sense, Roger Williams is a tough college to operate and to work with. People are difficult because they are intelligent, creative, very aware of the leading edge of things." Gauvey was president for 12 years. He believes that when one finds a group of people like that together, "it creates abrasiveness. They have fears and frustrations like you have never seen. But what an interesting arena that is for learning for a college. That faculty, and those Board of Trustee members and that Administration, if you just watch and listen, will teach you a hell of a lot more than they ever will in a classroom." "My god, that place (Roger Williams) is

a gold mine for political studies." Gauvey said that the instructors should teach the students about the "power struggles and the fear in the ranks" at the college.

Never to Return

In regards to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Gauvey believes that presidents can quit, get fired, "but they in effect serve at the discretion of one person, the Chairman of the Board. When he decides he does not want you any more, I mean in the general sense this is true, the Chairman of the Board . . . makes the ultimate decision." He went on to say that, "The Chairman of the Board does not always fire you but he can make things so miserable for you that you wouldn't want to stay around."

In regards to coming back to Roger Williams himself, Gauvey said that the only regret he has is the fact he did not utilize his tenure for being a teacher here after he was forced to step down from the presidency. In reference to coming back as president, he said, "I would not want to be president of Roger Williams. I think its a no-win job. I think there are too many forces at work. The evil forces there are ruining a lot of good people."

Worshipping Of Death Seen

Gauvey also spoke about the relationship the college has with the Rhode Island community. He first spoke of the ideas on campus, "You have buildings that are beautiful and they are empty structures. Its a mausoleum, a graveyard of ideas. The only ideas at Roger Williams that have been coming out consistently in the press and in the image that people get about Roger Williams is that of necrophilia." He went on to explain

that, "its how our age of technocracy has become so depersonalized and hand has become this way because of our being driven into death and destruction. We tend to worship that which is dying." Gauvey can translate this into, "a little microcosm of all that's evil in society at Roger Williams." He added, "But knowing that its there, and knowing that its small is something you can deal with. You can not deal with the evil of a whole damn society, its just too damn complex."

Cleaning Up The Messes

In terms of a change in the governance at Roger Williams, Gauvey believes that the institution could be a "milestone in education" by allowing the faculty and student bodies of the college to take over much of the running of the institution. He also said that, in regards to administration, "you don't need it." "Just people to clean up the messes." This, according to Gauvey, would help make Roger Williams the 'lively experiment' that he dreams of. As Gauvey writes in a proposal which lists details of change in the governance, "It could be not only a 'lively experiment' but indeed a worthwhile one based on the heritage of Roger Williams the man which could insure not only the survival of Roger Williams the College but its thrust into a new leadership role in private education."

Another one of his proposed plans is, "Don't allow students to stay at Roger Williams for four years." Gauvey said that students should go to other institutions for a

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Sorrentino To Speak At RWC

By PAUL NALETTE

Joseph Sorrentino will be at Roger Williams College 1977 Commencement as the guest speaker. He will be talking on the art of charismatic speaking, a topic which has given him standing ovations in 25 states.

Sorrentino is an award winning professor, offering classes at the University of Southern California as Distinguished Practitioner and at Pepperdine University as adjustment professor. He also presided over hundreds of trials as a Juvenile Court Referee and a Municipal Court Judge Pro Tem, and has been honored by the American Academy of Achievement.

By the age of twenty, Joe Sorrentino had failed out of high school, floundered through thirty jobs. He joined the Marines only to be thrown out with a bad discharge and had to serve time in Raymond Street Jail, Marine brig, and the Parris Island padded cell for incorrigables.

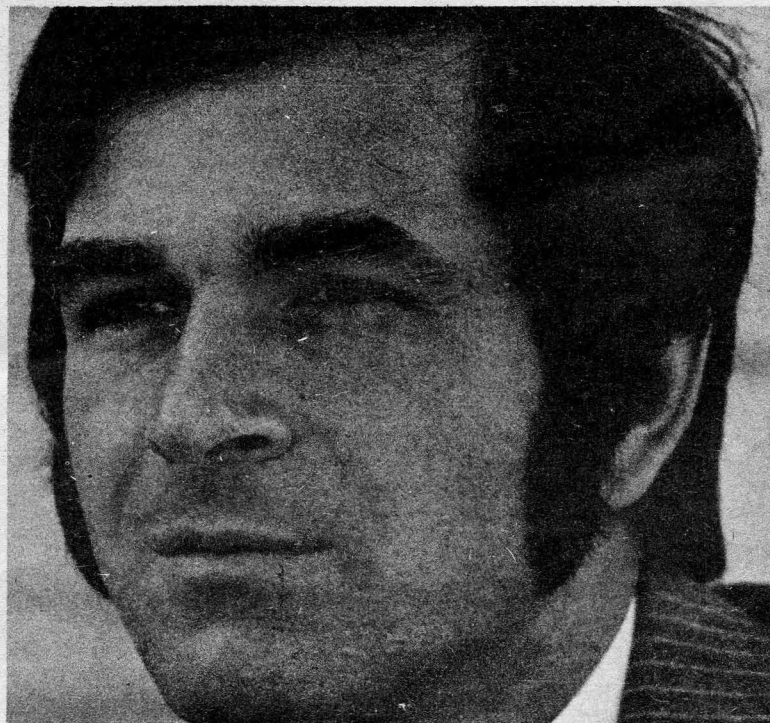
He says the change in his life came when he had an impulse to sign up for Erasmus Night High School upon seeing a sign, "Register Now. Free." Sorrentino enrolled, fell in love with learning, and graduated with the highest average in the history of the high school. Realizing his only chance was through education, he went on to the University of California, where he became student body president and graduated magna cum laude, then re-enlisted in the Marines to take the blemish off his record.

In 1967, he won the honor of Class Valedictorian at Harvard Law School through essay and forensics competition, and his speech before

18,000 people moved the nation and inspired young dropouts as far as India, New Zealand, Korea and Germany.

Sorrentino believes in America but he is concerned with the nation's social problems. He sees crime as the product of the individual's conflicting interaction with himself, his neighborhood, and his media world. His answer to crime calls for institutional reforms, but from his experience. "One-to-

One efforts are the most effective tact in rehabilitating an offender." He believes the aims of American democracy are still the same as they were announced by Lincoln in his first message of "the struggle for maintaining that form of government whose leading object is to elevate the conditions of men, to afford an unfettered start and a fair chance for all in the race of life."



JOSEPH SORRENTINO will speak at the graduation ceremonies during graduation at Roger Williams. He will be talking on the art of charismatic speaking. SORRENTINO after flunking out of high school, joined the Marines only to be given a bad discharge. Later, he went to the University of California and graduated magna cum laude. He then went on to Harvard law school where he was Valedictorian of his class. SORRENTINO has since appeared on 60 Minutes, Dinah Shore, Mike Douglas and the Tonight Show.

Tuition Up 10%

The Budget Committee recently passed a proposed tuition raise, over this year, of 10%. This year tuition was \$2290. Next year it will be \$2530. Director of Auxiliary Enterprises, Mr. Robert McKenna, blames the lack of proper fundraising as one of the factors which caused the raise. Other factors, according to McKenna, are that salaries are going up 10%. Faculty salaries are going up 6.5%. Salaries are 80% of the total cost to the student. The college's costs are going up 10% also.

In regards to the raise in dorm rates, McKenna explained that the demand for dormitory space is increasing and that, "this is adequate for an increase."

The following is a list of those areas that, if passed by the Board, will increase next year;

Item	Percentage of Increase	76-77	77-78
Board	5%	820	860
Single Room	12%	840	940
Double Room	5%	740	760
Health Fee	100%	5	10
Change of Program	50%	Commuter	10
		Dorm Student	20
		10	15

News Briefs

Chancellor of the College

As of November 1975, Dr. Ralph Gauvey was given a title by the Board of Trustees as Chancellor of the College. This job has no duties associated with it.

Fire Destroys Building

On the 25th of last month, one of the North Campus storage buildings was destroyed by a fire. The building contained theatre props and equipment which was completely consumed. The estimated loss for the theatre equipment was \$10,000. Other material which was in the building were cabinets, files, etc.

Job Description Committee Created

The Board of Trustees has developed a committee to come up with a job description for the president. The members are, Dr. Simone, Chairman; Mrs. Watkins, Trustee; Mr. James Reilly, Trustee; Mr. Stanley Jakobiak, Dean of Administration Services, Dr. Edwin Wilde, Dean of the College. The committee, reportedly, will finish its work prior to its deadline of June 15, 1977.

Department Checks for Fire Violation

The Fire Department came down to the Bristol campus recently to check on Unit 9 for any fire violations. The department, after checking over the corridor in question, said that they did not see any major violation. This check follows complaints that one corridor in Unit 9 is a fire hazard because the fire exit was covered over when Bill O'Connell's apartment was put in.

Triples Are Made

Starting next fall, students will be able to live in an atmosphere within the dorms where three students will share what was normally a double room. This addition to the current format in the dorms will create the equivalent of 85 more rooms. The bulk of the triples will be situated in Dorm 2. Triples will also be placed, on the most part, on the water side.

To date, 22 students have signed up for the triples format. The rest will be allocated by assignment.

The human problem, according to Mr. Robert McKenna, Director of Auxiliary Services, is the only problem with the new form of dorm life. McKenna also predicted that there will probably be no need for the triple rooms next Spring.

Invitations Go to Top Brass

The 1977 Commencement Exercises at Roger Williams College traditionally have local top brass as special guests at the ceremonies. This year is no different. Invitations are currently being sent to the following, J. Joseph Garrahy, Governor of Rhode Island; Mr. DiLuglio, Lt. Governor; Mr. Robert F. Burns, Secretary of State; Mr. Julius Michaelson, Attorney General; Mr. Anthony Soloman, General Treasurer; All State Senators; Mayor 'Buddy' Cianci, Mayor of Providence. Mayor Cianci is an Honorary Degree recipient of Roger Williams College. All other Honorary Degree recipients will be invited. Others that are being invited are members of the state Judiciary; Heads of local colleges and universities; Bristol Town Administrator, Mr. Agatiello; and the Bristol Town Council.

Dr. Potter Gets Appointment

American Studies teacher, Dr. Richard Potter, recently was appointed an Associate of the Danforth Foundation. Danforth Associates are selected from among college and university faculty members who have taught for at least one year in a four-year accredited college or university, who have demonstrated an interest in scholarship, and who are concerned with not only the intellectual development of undergraduate students, but with human values and social responsibilities as well.

Associates are appointed for six year terms.

Macloed Gets Scrapbook

On Wednesday, April 27, Acting President William Rizzini presented Dr. Macloed, Chairman of the New England Association, with a "scrapbook" of news reports, resolutions and memos concerning what has been happening on campus in the last few weeks. Rizzini said that the report is generally positive. The key concerns, Rizzini said, surround the Faculty Senate resolution. Macloed will be meeting with the entire board on May 16, 1977. There will also be a full visit by the accrediting team next fall.

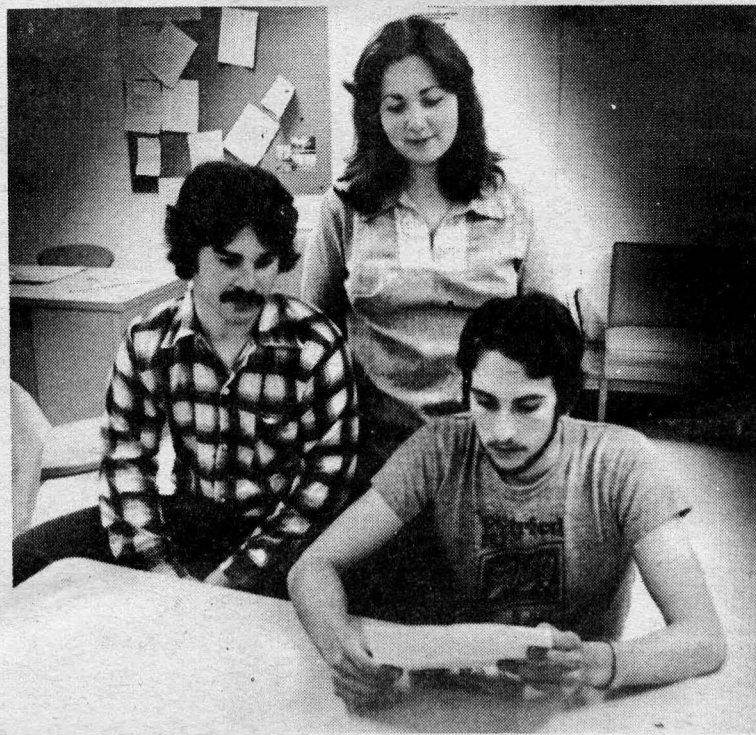
The New England Association accredits the college and will be conducting meeting on campus next semester when the college's accreditation comes up again.

Schiavo Becomes Registrar

Under the interim reorganization of Acting President William Rizzini, Dr. Bartholomew Schiavo has become Registrar. He will continue being a teacher under American Studies. When asked to comment on how he feels about his new duties, Schiavo said, "Right now, it keeps me very busy!"

Winner Picked In QUILL Raffle

On Friday, May 6th, Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Thomas Paolino, picked the winning ticket in the QUILL raffle. Debra Rocha of Barrington was the winning ticket. She will receive \$148.25. The winning ticket number was 188386. 598 tickets were sold. Ben Hellmann, Sports Editor of the QUILL sold 500.



BOB GABORDI, VICE PRESIDENT, ANNE GABBIANELLI, PARLIMENTARIAN, and JIM MILLER, PRESIDENT are the newly elected officials of Student Senate. Other members and officials are FRED DIMUARO, TREASURER, MARK SMITH, SOCIAL COMMITTEE, TOBY BENNETT, SECRETARY, ANN FICORILLI, MIKE GERRITY, DOUG GINGERELLA, PAUL HOFMANN, GARY MILLER, HECTOR PERRIER.

Graduates Decrease

This year there are only 456 students graduating from Roger Williams College. This figure was of May 5. More are expected to be added to this figure. Over the past three years, the number of graduates has been increasing. Below are the raw figures of this year and years past:

Degree recipients 1977	TOTAL BACHELOR DEGREES		
	1974	1975	1976
B.S. 175			
B.A. 95	351	493	476
A.A. 57			
A.S. 56			
A.T. 73			

In the three years spanning from 1974 to 1976, students have graduated from all of the majors offered by the college. On the extremes, lowest versus the highest, Fine Arts Major only graduated 1 student in the three year period, while the largest major has been Psychology graduating 135 students in the three year span.

Despite the reports that student populations are decreasing, which they are expected to do in the next 6-10 years, currently, Roger Williams is experiencing a surplus of students. According to Admissions Officer, Michael Newman, this year, the college has turned away more students than ever before. Below are the figures of actual new students that the college has accepted over the past three years. This includes all new Freshmen and Transfer students:

1975	1976	1977
755	697	(projected) 700-800

Newman says that things are on the up and up, however he said, "you need the kind of programs to capture the student." Although, for now, student population at Roger Williams is increasing, Newman said that building another dorm would only be a short term answer. "We do not know what things will really be like 10 years from now. It will all depend on the type of growth that is wanted."

Principal Gelds "Pegasus"

By GENE COULTER
Managing Editor

"The situation here (Bristol High School) is different from that of the (Roger Williams College) campus," says Bristol High Principal Anthony Iasiello in response to Quill inquiries into the recent confiscation of the school's student newspaper, "Pegasus."

The recent censorship of "Pegasus" is the second this semester and revolves around the printing of an article previously edited from the paper by Faculty Advisors. The alleged objectionable article is a reprint from a Fairfax County, Virginia High School publication entitled "Sexually Active Students Fail to Use Contraception."

Iasiello said that "we are facing legal action, that is how far this thing has gone. I can give you

further comment." Iasiello went on to express his concern with the possible effects of the article on eighth grade students at Bristol High, 13 year olds.

Iasiello also explained that unlike the Quill, "Pegasus" is produced by students but each article must be cleared for publication by the paper's advisors who do maintain active censorship of the paper.

In the Friday, May 6 edition of the Providence Journal, Iasiello is quoted as saying that the paper's editor, John Paul Sousa, "feels he can do anything he wants." Robin Perry, a student at Roger Williams who attended Bristol High with Sousa, has described him as a "quiet kid who sat in the back corner of the class, made straight A's and wrote poetry." Miss Perry went on to say that she almost "Flipped-out" when she learned of

the controversies which Sousa has been involved in.

In February of this year there was a limited confiscation of the paper which contained articles "on the need for sex education and an article on the effects of alcoholism, including its effect on sexual performance" according to the Journal.

The original article, according to the Journal, was banned by the Fairfax County, Virginia, school officials. The editors of that publication won their suit against the school officials in a U.S. District court.

Sousa, the editor of "Pegasus," originally expressed an interest to take the matter to court. As of last Monday, Michael Dollinger of the R.I. American Civil Liberties Union said that the case will go into the courts.

International Club Holds Festive Dinner

On April 22 the International Club sponsored its second dinner of the year for the whole school featuring food and dance from some fifteen different nations.

After a short welcoming speech by the newly elected president Joullet Monofar, the eating began. All during dinner foreign music was played. Some of the music was performed by Michell Sabbage from Syria. Simon Benarryo also

got into the act by performing and explaining a Venezuellian dance.

After dinner was through, an excellent Arabic band played for the crowd.

A good time was enjoyed by all of the 80 people who attended. Learning more about the nationalities represented, was a cultural experience. It couldn't have been better short of visiting another country. It was felt that the best

time was had by those who are foreigners in this country. The dinner gave them a chance to see and do things as they would in their own country.

This dinner was much more than a learning experience for the club and their guests. It seemed to bring a little bit of home for those away for years, and those away from home for the first time.

Banquet Honors Many

The Awards Banquet held last Thursday honored those students that have achieved excellence in both academics and athletics. It was considered to be an enjoyable evening for all those attending the annual affair.

Tom Fitzgerald once again prepared a magnificent meal, in what has almost become an RWC tradition. Steamship Round was served to an appreciative gathering.

Nightlife, a folk-rock group, played several numbers, while the crowd finished their meal. Following their brief concert, the presentation of awards started. Trent Arterberry, a highly talented mime, played the role of master of ceremonies. The crowd thoroughly enjoyed the way he acted out each presentation of an award without sound.

Academic awards given are as follows: Biology-Ellen Finger, Chemistry-William Geraghty, Spanish-Helen Gaunt, Philosophy-John Contos, Education-Marsha Russel, Keri Faist, and Nona

Gilmore, Political Studies-Phillip Sloan Junior, History-Mitch Miller.

All athletic teams were awarded from the varied varsity sports down to the just as important Intramural program. The Yearbook dedication went to Dr. Zaki, and a page of appreciation went to Athletic-Housing Director, Hector Massa.

Something new was added to the athletic awards this year. Varsity letters were presented to deserving athletes on the Cross-Country, Tennis and Swimming teams. The coaches hope that these letters will begin a new tradition at RWC, with all the sports eventually adopting the more visible approach of recognition.

The Student Senate and the Quill were recognized for their achievements during the past year. All editors and officers rose to be recognized.

The banquet was enjoyed and appreciated by all faculty, alumni, and students attending the annual salute to those that make RWC what it is now and what it will be.

Gauvey-From One semester and then "come back and tell us about it." All this would be for credit accepted at Roger Williams College to lead up to a degree received at Roger Williams. "Basically, get out and taste and experience things other than Roger Williams College," Gauvey said.

Time To Oneself "I didn't really know until I left Roger Williams how much time I had to myself, how many important things I wanted to do such as walking on the beach, and thinking about things that I have been telling you about, and getting back to the real

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Sports Wrapup-Editor Farewell

By **BEN HELLMANN**
Sports Editor

This will be an attempt to summarize a year of sports at RWC along with a "Bouncing Benny" Sports Editor Bye-Bye. So sit right back and read and see how far sports has progressed at a school with far few facilities.

Cross-Country

The Cross-Country team beat Barrington College four times for their first victories in their short history. Number one Greg Vaslet victorious in a dual meet against RIC, also captured a fifth place in the Small College State Championship. The Coach and team feel that Greg is a strong favorite to win this championship next season. Concerning the season Coach

Conway says that, "We will be one of the stronger small college teams in New England next year. Freshmen Vaslet and Kurt plus other discovered talent should amke up for the loss of seniors. (Hellmann, Sheehan, Andjeski.)"

Soccer

Soccer was plagued with injuries this year, seven were injured after the first three games. According to he coach, "Next year if we remain healthy we'll certainly have a winning season, perhaps a championship team in our conference. (Mayflower)"

Hockey

Hockey had inexperience difficulties with their fourteen freshmen on the team this year. Daily practices at 5:30 a.m. and a regular

academic workload supplied additional pressure. Their 5-11-1 record should improve next year as the raw talent in the freshmen from this year become realized.

Basketball

Basketball had another successful season with a 18-7 overall record. Senior "Cheese" Holloway certainly was the standout of many standouts. "Cheese" was "Most valuable player" of the Mayflower conference and "RI Small College Player of the Year." Bob Hennenberger was another standout on the team, as he places second behind Dwight Datcher in points scored. Tony Williams, another senior, has been on the Hawk's basketball team for four years. According to Hector Massa Athletic Director, "Tony is the devoted man behind the scene. He pushes others to their best capabilities. Also he has great determination and attitude." Of course the Hoop team is expected to continue their winning tradition next year.

Golf

Coach Langelo is thrilled with the progress of the Golf team this season. The team has improved their 4-5 record of last year, to a 7-3 mark this year. All concerned hope for a season just as successful next year.

Baseball

The Baseball team had a rather disappointing season this year. Expecting a 16-10 or 18-8 mark early in the season, Coach Correia had to settle for a 7-12 mark as of this time. The schedule, with a number of doubleheaders weekly could have been a factor in the lower than expected seasonal mark.

Tennis

According to Coach Yakavonis, "Tennis had a much improved season with a 4-4 record compared with a 1-6 mark last year. That's good, considering we don't have the facilities other teams have. The Season was also successful also because of the support from the athletic department, the degree of unity and team spirit shown, and the growth involved as teenis players and human beings. Rob Brodie should be commended for his leadership in the player-coach role, and Pat Russo for his excellent play in the number one seed and outstanding attitude." The team hopes to continue it's winning ways on and off the court into the future.

Sailing

According to Club President Dave Kurt, "We worked as a team, organizing and racing against other colleges. It's a beginning, we have come a long way, and have a long way to go."

Swimming

"Last summer the Swim team was just a glimmer in Jim Polk's eye," according to faculty club advisor Pete Randrup. The groundwork for the team has been laid and should really reap the rewards of their efforts in the next few years.

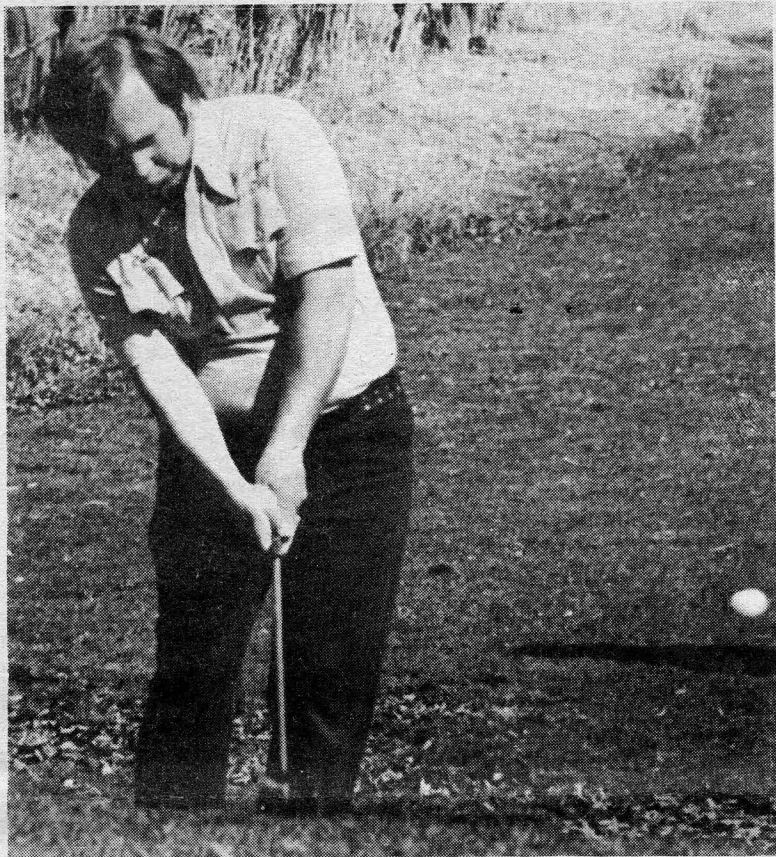
Intramurals

Bill O'Connell in charge of the intramural program says that, "78% of the students at RWC participate in the intramural program." All anyone has to do is go out to a Intramural Football, Basketball, or Softball game and see the crowd of spectators watching to see how successful the program really is. Much of the credit should go to Bill O'Connell and the students that make them apphen.

That's it folks, the sports this year at RWC in capsulated form. In conclusion, the cheerleaders would like to thank Hector Massa, Athletic Director, and Carol Fuller from the

counseling office for their help in organizing the Cheerleading squad. I would like to thank Rick Elliot for some fine Hockey stories this year, and hope that he finds some writers as Sports Editor next year.

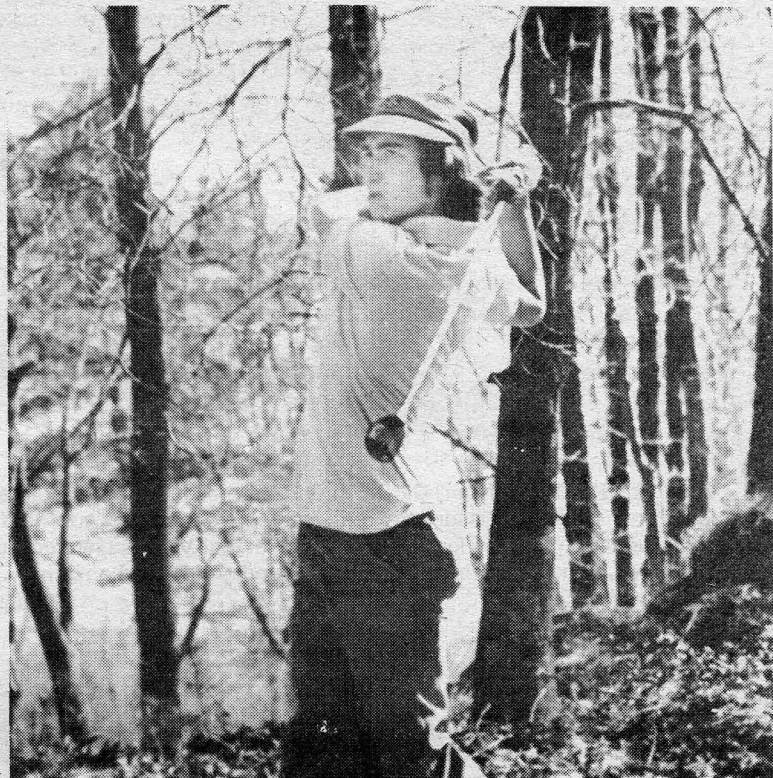
This ends four years of struggle for me at RWC. This year I attempted to put together a Sports section almost single handed, and believe it came out rather well overall. It's your turn Rick to improve upon the groundwork the Sports Section in this year's QUILL has laid. I will now leave it to you, your writers, and your ingenuity to carry on the sports section to the best of your ability.



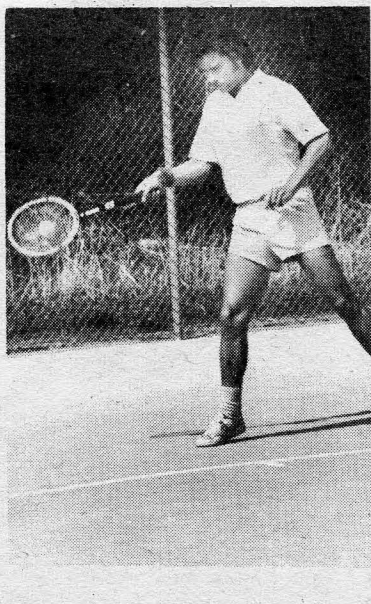
CAPTAIN JIM COTAR received the third lowest score in last week's NAIA Tournament. Earlier in the season, Jim was the lowest scorer in the Mayflower Tournament.



PETER BASSEL comes in to hit a big smash at the net for a winner. Pete was number seven on the team most of the tennis season.



JOE OCCHI follows the flight of the ball in earlier tournament action this season. He has been ranked the number one ranked golfer for RWC throughout the year.



BOB CARPENTER hits a ground stroke return during competition. Bob was number two on the team this season.

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EDITORIAL

The Final Challenge

By GEE AERTSEN
Editor-in-Chief

Yes we are unique. Roger Williams College is a haven for unpredictable occurrences that tend to baffle the unwary mind continuously. The community always keeps each other guessing on exactly what the next surprise will be. Many get frustrated over different issues; dorm related problems, academic pressures and student-teacher conflicts, administrative headaches and, of course, the illustrious Board of Trustees. It is very easy to get dismayed and end up packing your bags saying that this school is for the birds, to say it mildly. It is often hard to think good thoughts when tuition goes up 10%, the president resigns, controversy on the Board and a lot of other things affecting the educational process and the lifestyles of those at the college.

Over the past four years, many a baffled student has packed their respective bags because of specific gripes about the institution, which was thought to be only characteristic of this college. They return, some of them, after finding that the other institutions, where the grass looked much greener and healthier, did not offer the student exactly what they wanted.

It would be a fallacy to say that Roger Williams is heaven. There is obviously much about the institution that needs to be attended to to make the college a much nicer place to live in. Students are all too often treated like second class citizens, some faculty forget, at times, why they are here, administration has to get its act together for as it stands now, no one knows who will be whose boss the next week, and the Board has its own prestigious problems. Alone, these do not constitute an almighty problem yet when mixed together create a crisis that causes massive splits and controversies that tend to rip the institution apart.

Many of the actions this past semester were irrational and when questioned were found to have little to no party behind them held accountable for the actions. This has got to change for respectability to occur among the ranks of the college. We all know what occurrences that happened this semester which were not backed by responsible parties and how we blasted them for being that way.

Those that get actively involved in the community get a type of education that one does not get in the classroom. Most of the time it is fulfilling, and what one learns is at times shocking, baffling but always educational. These people are invaluable to the institution because out of their efforts come hopeful perpetuation of the college. Some of these people get frustrated and they want to leave. Instead of giving up the ship and abandoning the much needed positions, these people need all the support they can get. The most common argument from those that get little support is that the problems are uncontrollable to the extent of destroying valuable leadership. This type of thinking is only human but one must remember that because of the size of this place, these problems can be dealt with if people get together and work things out logically and rationally.

One thing which could help is a student union. This would provide the student body with an organization which could help Student Senate and Dorm Government unite the power of the students. All too often, ideas are lost because people do not listen. Many of these ideas should be captured and listened to, and if viable, put into practice. A student union could do this and much more.

What happens to his college IS totally up to YOU! If you give up and call it quits, then who is going to care about Roger Williams College? If there is even a thread of interest in your mind in the college, then give it your best and give the college a piece of your mind! Sitting back and complaining will not elicit change but honest activism will!

Oh well, the future of the college will come and people will have to deal with it accordingly. At this time I wish to congratulate the class of 1977 and wish them the best of luck. Also, I wish those who will be here next year all the luck possible in attaining the many goals. As we finish reading the pages of history of this chapter of Roger Williams I say that I have stuck this college out for four long years, how about you? Good luck and so long!

Poet Gives Lecture

By JIM RAINEY

Michael Ryan, assistant Professor of English at Southern Methodist University in Dallas and has received the 1974 Yale Younger Award, recently gave a poetry reading to interested listeners in Lecture hall 130 from his upcoming book of Poems.

Some topics Mr. Ryan touched upon were feelings of being hopelessly lost and thoughts that young men have when they reach the age of 30, and therefore have turned the corner into middle age. Discussed along this line was the uncertainties everyone faces when they find their lost days of youth fading into the past.

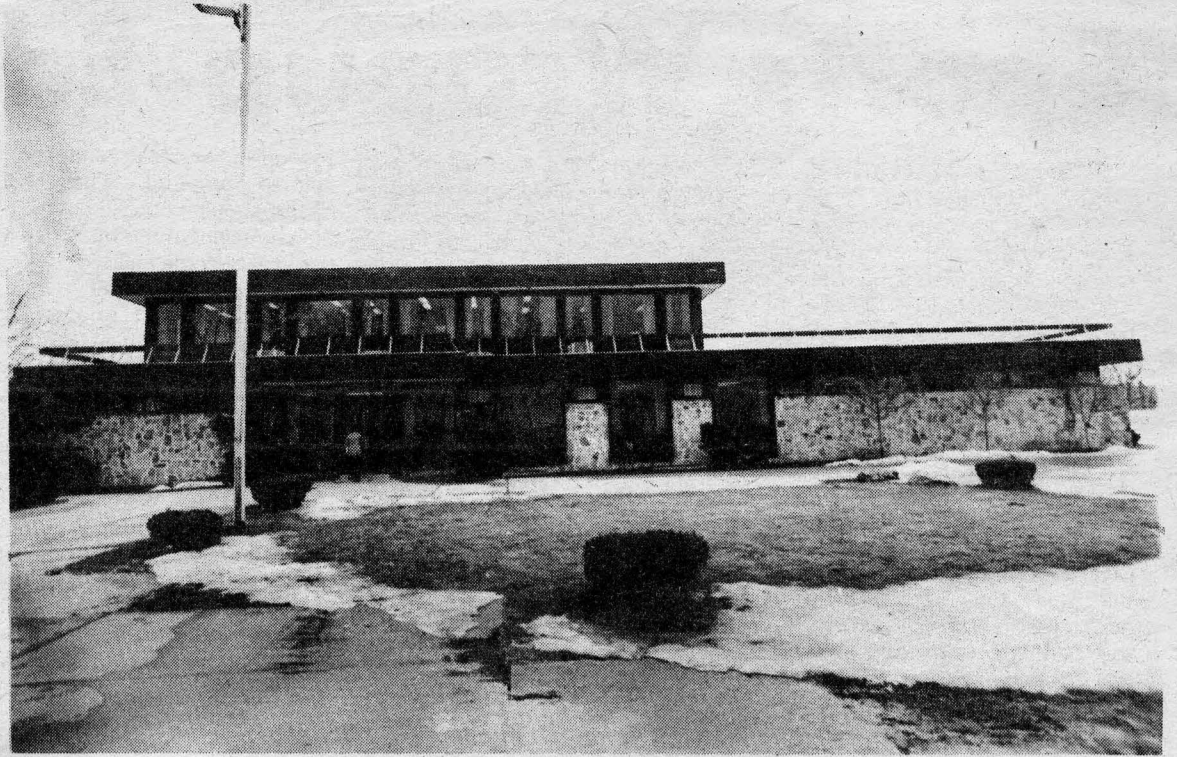
Considered a highlight of the evening was Mr. Ryan's reading of one of his poems titled *Sex*. This particular poem left the audience in awe of his tremendous ability to use

Metaphors in the proper situations. When it was all over and done all agreed that it was a fine night spent for all participants.

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essentials. I never realized how far away I had gotten from that til I had gotten this time off."

Gauvey is currently writing a professional article and is also doing a book on values and attitudes. He, now, is able to also find time to play tennis and ride a bicycle. He lives in a small house near the Newport *Cliffwalk* which is comfortable in style and it has a beautiful view of the bay.

After a stroll along the *Cliffwalk*, Dr. Gauvey said, "Roger Williams, I think will survive, because there are so many people involved." The only way it will survive, Gauvey said, "is for some drastic changes to occur."



WHAT'S THE NEXT SURPRISE? This past year proved to be a whirlwind period for all administrators that work in this building. A president resigns, a reorganization stirs controversy on campus, 5 trustees resign from a long term split on the board, etc. What will next year hold in store for those that spend 9-5 in this building? Time will tell!

A New Beginning

By EUGENE COULTER
Managing Editor

It is indeed tough to write a "wrap-up" of any reasonably eventful year, especially at a college, in a short concise editorial. Many such wrap-ups are little else than some form of a combination of *kudos*, apologies, and eulogies.

Kudos this year go to we ragged QUILL staffers—but I won't belabor the point—to our readers and supporters, and to the benevolence of the Student Senate for their frequent "bail outs" of our periodical, which was—by the way a real periodical this year. The biggest *kudo* goes to the QUILL, it has become in a real sense an entity

in and of itself. We editors and writers somehow marvel at those eight pages and congratulate *them* for appearing on the steps of the Student Center on Wednesday mornings.

I personally have only one *apology* to make, and I make it for myself—for my bad judgement. The responsibility for the editorial titled "The Knot Grows Tighter" of some four issues back was really an unnecessary, perhaps even untrue, but definitely inaccurate character assassination of Judge Paolino. Regardless of my assessment of that situation I failed to look objectively at the words of that piece

and the person at whom they were attempting to describe. For that I apologise.

Eulogies? There are none scheduled in my book. As I see it—"the king is dead, long live the king." By that I mean to say that the class of '77 has done much for RWC, but they are graduating and the class of '78 has so much more to consider, to decide, to accomplish. Commencement does not only mean that the graduating seniors are receiving their diplomas. *Commencement* is the signal for the undergraduates to *begin*. The 1977-78 edition of the QUILL has begun.

Letters to Editor

Student Gives Salute To College

Thank you Roger Williams for being you. Thank you for my being here. I enjoy above all the beauty of your Campus and your lovely buildings. Especially, bless you for the caliber of your students. They are surely not the stereotype of

college students. Regardless of what unusual get-up some will wear, they are truly ladies and gentlemen in the best sense of the word as I have reason to know.

I am in my late 50s and this has been my first college experience. I

started in warily, not sure what my acceptance would be by my fellow students. Would they look at me as though I had two heads or just ignore me, as has happened in some offices where I have worked, by the young girls. Imagine my delight to be treated warmly as though to say "Welcome Aboard."

If I stand on the Campus and look hesitant a minute, someone is at my elbow asking if they can help and am I looking for a particular building (which happens frequently as I am afflicted with no sense of direction). Whenever I go to open a door, whoever is there will help me give it a push. And it was twice as much so during the two months I was wearing a splint over two fingers (for the usual reason).

Dear People, to me you are the kindest, gentlest, most courteous people I have ever met and for this I SALUTE YOU.

(Mrs. Mary V. Malmberg)

Mr. Clarke
Creative Writing

P.S. I mean this sincerely.

Rotaract Elects

The Rotaract Club held elections last Monday night for the fall semester.

The new president is Jon Williams, Vice president—Anne Gannianelli, Secretary—Ray Paquette, Treasurer—Deb Pattison and program Director—Steve Lefkowitz.

Rotaract is now in the process of bringing a bank on campus along with many programs to start next semester. The club meets in the Bay Room at 6:15 every other Monday night. All newcomers are welcome.

Thank You

On behalf of the entire Admissions Office I would like to thank all the students, faculty, trustees, staff and administration who participated in our open house on March 20th. It is difficult to accurately prove the number of visitors we had but we estimate we entertained between 750-1,000.

A Sunday in March is not the ideal time to attract visitors to a college campus and all the weather forecasters seemed to support this contention. Despite all the predictions of gloom, we had a tremendous day. What a good job

we do when we all unite in a positive manner. There is great talent and energy at our college and when directed in a positive way, we are hard to beat.

Thank you. You not only make my job easier but you make me proud that I was in some way responsible in attracting the likes of you to Roger Williams in the first place.

Robert P. Nemecek
Dean of Admissions

P.S. Special thanks to Gloria Goodman who devoted so much time and effort.



FOR THE PAST FEW WEEKS, spring like weather has warmed up the campus. Scenes like this have been quite common as we close this semester and head into the summer months.