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# Quill



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## Referendum Set for SAF Increase

By Denis Lafreniere

The RWC Student Senate has tentatively scheduled November 30 as the date for a campus-wide referendum to decide whether or not to raise the Student Activity Fee to \$25 per semester.

The Student Senate has the power to make the decision by itself, but decided by unanimous vote at its last meeting to let the students make the choice.

The Student Activity fee has been \$20 per semester for the past four years, however with more and more clubs starting, and the prices of bands and other social events constantly going up, the Student Senate is finding it harder and harder to fund everything as fully as they would like to.

"Because we have had to make budget cuts for several clubs, many students are beginning to wonder if their Student Activity Fee is doing them any good," said Denis Lafreniere, Student Senate Vice President. "The answer to that question relies on the students themselves," he continued, "because any student willing to get involved can have complete control over where his or her Activity Fee goes."

"That may sound like a 'knee deep' statement to many students, but before you disbelieve it, you ought to look at exactly where the Student Activity Fee goes," said Lafreniere.

"To start with, any bands you see playing at RWC were probably paid for with your Activity Fee. Actually, any event you see on campus brought to you by the Student Senate or Dorm Government comes from your S.A. Fee," said Lafreniere.

"In fact, even the Coffee House Theatre gets some help from S.A. Fees through the Drama Club, which is funded by the Senate," said Lafreniere.

"These bands and other events," added Lafreniere, "are not cheap to put on. Everything, from the beer you drink to the cops watching the door, are paid for by the Activity Fee."

"There are, of course, some students," admitted Lafreniere, "who might be asking 'Well, where does my \$2 at the door go, and what about the money collected for the beer? That money collected at the door and on the beer seldom pays for more than half of the expenses.'"

"So where," asked Lafreniere, "does that leave the student who wants to control where his money goes? Well, if it is the events you want control over, the Student Social Committee (which puts on many of these events) meets every Wednesday afternoon in the Senate office in the Student Union."

"The Student Senate itself," continued Lafreniere, "holds meetings every Wednesday night at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to

come and give their opinion as to what they would like to see. If it is a Dorm Government event you would like to see about, talk to your rep on the Government."

"The main point I'm trying to get across is to start communicating," said Lafreniere. "Your S.A. Fee is not going to get handed to you on an orange cafeteria tray. You have to get involved if you want a say as to where your money goes."

"Another great way to control how your money is spent is through some of RWC's clubs," said Steve Fusco, Student Senate Parliamentarian.

"Say you are a student who doesn't care about what band plays where," continued Fusco, "but you

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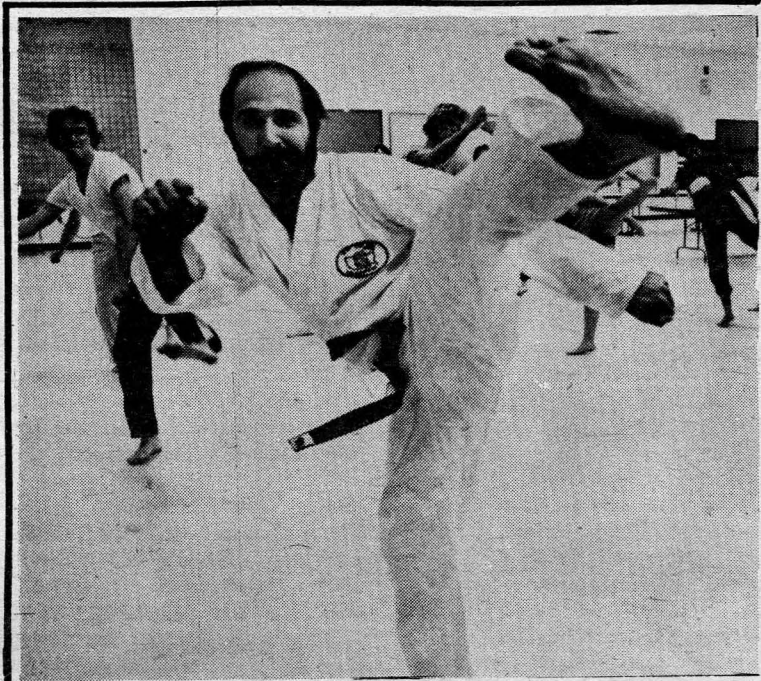


Photo by Armand Teixeira

Why is this man standing with his leg in the air? Tae Kwon Do, of course! For more information, see page 8.

## Why Classes Last Friday?

By Douglas Gingerella

Overwhelming votes by the Student Senate and the Academic Council to have classes, as well as the Administration's position that classes should be held as normal, were the reasons why Friday, Nov. 10, was not declared a school holiday, Dean of the College Edwin Wilde has explained.

The original question as to whether or not Friday should have been a holiday was brought up by the Faculty Senate when they voted 27-9 to ask Wilde to call classes off.

The day had originally been listed as a regular class day in the Academic Calendar, although the Administration and Staff, because they work year-round, were scheduled to have the day off.

It appeared early last week that the faculty might also have to receive the day off in order that the entire college be on the same schedule. However, the Academic Council, because they believed the semesters to be too short already, voted 11-3 to have classes as normal on Nov. 10 as was originally planned. The Faculty Senate then had their vote of 27-9 to attempt to get the day off.

The Student Senate voted 9-0 to have the day as classes, saying they believed the students would be cheated out of a day of classes, and therefore some of their tuition money, if the day were taken off. They said they felt the day had been paid for because of its listing in the Academic Calendar.

The Student Senate was also addressed by students who said with the semester nearing the end, they did not believe they could afford to lose a class day, and it would be unfair to them to be expected to cover the same material in one less day.

Following these three separate votes, Wilde met with Phil Schuyler, President of the Faculty Union, in an effort to resolve the issue. Schuyler, representing the Faculty, attempted to have the day declared a vacation day, Wilde, basing his actions on the

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## Teacher Dismissed for Failure to Show Up Regularly for Classes

By Douglas Gingerella

Joseph Rotella has been terminated permanently from his position as instructor in the Law Enforcement Division for failure to attend the classes he was contracted to teach this semester, Dean of the College Edwin Wilde disclosed Monday.

Students in Rotella's classes will, however, be able to complete the courses for credit, or can get a tuition refund for the amount they paid.

Rotella was contracted to teach two courses for the Fall semester; Evidence 1 and Introduction to Corrections. From September 18 to November 13 (when he was dismissed) he had attended these classes once, at which time he cancelled class so the class could watch a baseball game on television. The only other classes that met during that time were three times when Rotella sent a substitute to teach for him.

Any students that are currently enrolled in one of the classes that was to be taught by Rotella can choose one of two options devised by Dr. John Pozzi, director of the Law Enforcement Area, and Dean Wilde.

Option one will be that any student in the class can receive a full tuition refund for the course. Students who choose this option, however, would receive no credit and would have to retake the course.

Students choosing the other option would be able to get credit for the course. Pozzi will meet with the students who wish this option in order to determine what has already been covered in the class. He will then revise the syllabus accordingly, and students will have until the end of January to complete the work.

The instructor for the second half of the course will be informed of the

circumstances of this semester, and will highlight and integrate any important aspects of the introductory courses into his program. This will ensure that Rotella's students will not be disadvantaged, Pozzi explained.

The poor attendance record of Rotella was originally brought to the attention of Dean Wilde in mid-October by a group of concerned students. Wilde could not take

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## RWC Honor Group Started

By Lynda Parker

This October Roger Williams College once again spread its wings and took on another new project. This project was the institution of the Roger Williams College Honor Society.

The purpose of this society is to publicly recognize students who, through individual achievement, have obtained the goals set forth by the college, and to unite these students into one group whereby, using the exchange of ideas and experiences a setting can be provided to move them even closer.

Upon becoming a member, a student does not receive any extra academic credit or grade and neither is he expected to provide any type of academic product in return for belonging. Each student is only asked to pledge himself to participate in approximately six events per semester. The purpose of these events are to allow the students "to encounter and interact with some of the most productive, creative and stimulating individuals in many fields of human activity."

Membership is open to all students of good standing sophomore or above, upon nomination from their academic area. Each academic area may nominate one student and one alternate per year. Once inducted, the student retains membership until graduation, where upon he becomes an alumni member. The

Board of Governors, which is composed of six faculty members representing the academic divisions of the college, the President of the College, one member of the Board of Trustees, the Dean of Students, Registrar, and the Dean of the College, is responsible for the induction of members. It is also the body responsible for planning the activities of the society.

On October 12th, 1978, the Board of Governors inducted the charter members of this society at a formal dinner at the Fore and Aft Restaurant. The following is composed of inducted students and

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# STOP-LINE

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I'm not writing to Stop Line for an answer, but rather to give advice as to some ways in which you could help prevent having your room broken into. In the past three weeks, my roommate and I have had our room broken into three times. So the two of us sat down and thought up some good ideas to help prevent it from happening again. They are as follows:

- 1) Always lock your door, even if you are just going to the bathroom.
- 2) Check the door to make sure it is locked.
- 3) Keep your money with you at all times. If that is not possible, hide it where not even your roommate can not find it.
- 4) You can't trust anyone, so instead of telling someone to just go ahead and get something out of your room, go with them and get it for

them. It is sad to say, but sometimes you can't even trust your best friend.

5) Have your neighbors keep an eye on your room. They know who looks suspicious coming in and out, or just hanging around.

**Thank you for taking the time to give advice, because it can benefit everyone here at RWC.**

**I hope that these tips will help prevent future breakins, and keep our college a little safer.**

Are we allowed to hold demonstrations here at RWC, or is there some rule against it?

**If the demonstration obstructs teaching, research, or other college activities, it is prohibited. The college does, however, affirm the right of peaceful assembly and free speech.**

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# Dorm Govt gets Parties Approved

By Kimberly Newton

The most significant topic of discussion at Dormitory Government's fourth and fifth meetings was the return of the Government's money by the Student Senate.

The money had been taken by the Student Senate because Dorm Government had failed to submit their constitution on time in September. The amount withheld was \$500, and was taken from Dorm Government's funding thus penalizing the organization for its tardiness.

The Student Senate Executive Board felt that since RWC had gone ten percent of the academic year without a dormitory government, then 10 percent of Dorm Government's treasury should be taken to be used to benefit dormitory students. Ten percent of Drom Government's treasury, which is taken from the Student Activity Fee is approximately \$500.

During a recent meeting between the Student Senate Executive Board

and the Dormitory Government's Executive Board, a decision was made giving Dorm Government the use of its money back, under the stipulation that the money must be used for permanent dormitory improvement.

The second topic of discussion at the recent meetings concerned indoor organized campus parties.

Dean O'Connell had eliminated that right previously, for many reasons. Since the time that O'Connell banned campus parties, Bob Whiffen, chairman of the Social Committee, drafted an organized party policy and presented it to Dean O'Connell. The result of the party policy draft is that organized campus parties will be allowed, with the addition of kegs, if certain guidelines are followed. These guidelines are:

1. Parties will be closed with each person allowed to bring only one guest.
2. Parties can only go on between the hours of 8pm - 1 am.
3. There must be a clean-up crew

at least 4 people at every party.

4. There must be security measures taken for each party. The floor or unit must select 6 persons to act as security guards, with 2 members at the door, 2 members at the end of the hall, and 2 members roaming the party.

5. If a tower has a party, more security measures will be taken.

6. There will be only one party in the units and one on the floors on the same night. There will be no exceptions.

7. Housing will be notified at least one week prior to a scheduled party.

8. Housing will be notified five days prior to a cancellation of a party.

Two amendments were added to Dorm Government's constitution. One states that the President has the power to sign expenditures up to \$50.00, without the consent of the members of the organization.

The second amendment concerns the fact that there must be nominations for appointed Executive Board positions.

# Humanities Tries to Start Religion Minor

By Jane Scott

Among and between the majors and minors at RWC, there are many scattered courses that don't fit into any organized group.

One such group of courses are those pertaining to religion. At present there are religion courses in the History, Philosophy, Literature, Social Science and American Studies departments. Since last year Dr. Joshua Stein and Robert Blackburn have been working on a plan to organize already existing courses on religion, add some more such as Judaism, Christianity and a Bible course, to create a Religion minor.

The first - and possibly the last - step is to get students to take a History of Western Religion next semester. To be taught by Dr. Stein, the turn-out for this course will determine whether or not there will ever be a Religion minor at RWC.

"If students are sincerely interested, either in religion as a minor, or just in this one course, they are advised to take this course," explained Stein. "Take this one now if you have a choice bet-

ween this course and another. Your other choice will most likely be offered again, but History of Western Religion will not." So it's a one shot deal.

In a handout to students describing Hist 327, History of Western Religion is introduced like this:

**Since before recorded times, mankind has practiced religion. In every known society religion has been, and continues to be, a basic pillar - even including such "goddess societies" as the Soviet Union and the United States. Why religion is so all pervasive, and the forms it has taken over the centuries will be our themes in this course. In general our study will be chronological. We will look first at the ancient forms of religion, forms we often call magic, superstition, or paganism. Without these early forms, "higher" religion would not have developed. We will then move on to a study of Hellenic (Greek) and Hellenistic Mystery Religions which so deeply influenced Judaism and Christianity. From that point, roughly a third of the way through the semester, we will trace the growth of Judaism, Christianity, and, to a lesser extent Islam from their Biblical origins to the present.**

**Through it all we will try to understand what makes mankind religious. Is religion an outer manifestation of inner fears and/or aspirations, or is it the way God (or Nature, or Whatever) instructs man, or is it perhaps a combination of both, or something else altogether?**

Stein said reading material will cover parts of the Bible, both Testaments, Church Fathers, Philosophy of Religion, and Theologians of Religion for the students "to get the feel of how people back then were."

Mainly, the course will be trying to understand God in all of his various manifestations, and understand man - who is trying to understand God through Religion.

One of the many questions discussed is the Christologic Conflict; pertaining to the nature of Christ. He appears to us in a human body, yet he is God. Does he know he is God? The Messiah? Who does he think he is? Is he equal to God in Heaven? Is he really God appearing in human shape?

And in Judaism is God a Spirit? The words "Thus sayeth the Lord." - what do they mean? Does it mean some man actually heard a voice? Or did he just imagine it? Could it mean that he was insane and thought he heard a voice?

Many other religions such as Oriental ones, Budism, Hinduism and Eastern Philosophies will be discussed.

When asked if he expected high interest, Blackburn remembered the first time they tried this. "We surveyed History and Philosophy

courses. There was a considerable interest in many courses. But when we actually offered History of Western Religion, it didn't get much of an enrollment at all."

Blackburn went on to say, "Really the next survey will be History 327. If there's a good enrollment, that will be the result of the survey."

Dr. Stein had some interesting expectations for the course: "If we get 25 students, that will tell us there is a desire beyond just a vague interest. With any luck, this course

will blow the minds of 25 students."

"There are those who go insane studying religion." So, Stein said, "Twenty-five sane people will enter and 25 crazy people will leave. But at least they'll know why they're crazy."

If there is a good enrollment in this course, it will be used to get the library to buy more books on religion, and as evidence for the College Curriculum Committee to approve religion as a minor.

## News In Brief

Students who expect to graduate in December, 1978, January, 1979, or May, 1979 should have filed a degree application with the Registrar's Office by October 1, 1978. Students planning to graduate in December, 1978, or January, 1979 who have filed a degree application after the deadline might not receive their degree by their graduation date.

Those students qualifying for honors should expect a delay in receiving their diplomas as the Registrar's Office must receive final grades in order to determine the honor recipients.

All Open Division Students must contact the Open Division with questions pertaining to graduation.

In issue five, page three, in the story "Barbara Fairnham: A Good Reason to Enroll" the Quill made a few mistakes and misrepresentations.

Ms. Farnham does not have an "i" in her last name. It was made to appear in the article that Ms. Farnham worked as an outreach counselor and then an admissions officer after she had graduated. Ms. Farnham worked as a counselor in the outreach program for drug abuse for three years as an undergraduate student. In her senior year at college, she had an internship as an admissions counselor at Simmons College. She graduated in May of 1978 from Simmons College.

The Italian Sub-Committee of Rhode Island Heritage Commission will hold their meeting on Monday, November 13, 1978 at 7:30 p.m. in the Legislator's Dining Room, State House, Providence.

Persons of Italian heritage interested in the cultural development of the Italians in Rhode Island are invited to attend.

Two children of Kaiser Aluminum employees, Mark Kimball and Jeff Pimentel, were awarded RWC scholarships recently by President William Rizzini.

The scholarships, which are given to Kaiser Aluminum employees, spouses, or children, will pay half of their tuition as long as they maintain the college's academic standards and the parent continues to be employed by Kaiser Aluminum.

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# Watch Out! Vacations Can Be Dangerous For Your Car And For Yourself

By John Saviano

Now that the holiday season is here, I'm sure you will be travelling more-unfortunately during our worst weather conditions. In that vein, you must realize that if you protect your car you are helping your odds against breakdowns on those cold, wet, windy, miserable days and nights to come.

As I mentioned in the last article, you must use common sense as your main defense in preventive maintenance. You should make notes as you notice irregularities, follow factory recommended service as you can afford it, and choose the best service department you can find and afford.

In order to allow your servicing dealer enough time to diagnose and repair your car properly, stop and discuss the problems and maintenance in advance. The service manager will then be able to assign the best technician for those particular repairs at the most convenient time for everyone. At that time, you have very important rights that you should expect the service manager to provide you with:

**First**—A clear explanation of the reasons for all recommended repairs and adjustments. If you still don't understand ask the service personnel to explain. Often, they speak technical "jargon" so fluently they occasionally forget to translate. Plus the best idea is to ask for all repairs to be written on the repair order.

**Second** - Advance cost estimates of the written repairs should be given. Remembering that cars are very complicated mechanisms, you should get the best repair cost estimates as humanly possible when you leave the car. If the repair is complicated, such as a component that requires disassembly or testing before a diagnosis can be made, authorize that first, then discuss the alternatives with the service manager.

**Third**—The service department should not perform any work that you have not previously authorized. If additional work is necessary you should notify the service manager how to contact you for authorization to continue.

**Fourth** - You should expect an exact, clear-cut explanation of all

charges on your bill. If anything seems vague, request further explanation by a superior.

**Fifth** - You must expect and receive quality repairs. If the repair was improper you should expect it to be corrected as soon as possible at no charge. You should bring this to the service manager's attention as soon as possible since damage could occur due to that faulty repair.

**Sixth**—Completion of repairs as scheduled will happen in most cases, but this is the hardest promise to keep. Rearranging work schedules as more cars come in and additional work is uncovered can destroy the most careful plans. If the promise cannot be kept you should expect notification as far in advance as possible. Plus, you should expect courteous, cheerful treatment and concern for your car as if it were theirs.

If you don't feel your car needs service but want to give it a "once over," before you hit the road for vacation, check the following:

**Tires** for low pressure, cuts, damage or excessive or uneven wear. Also make sure all wheel nuts are in place and tight.

**Exhaust system** - listen for leaks -- most loud noises along the underside of your ace are generally exhaust leaks. Plus if your eyes water or burn, that can tip you off too.

**Fluid leaks** - After the car has been parked for a while check for leaking fuel, oil, water or liquid underneath.

**Wiper blades** should not be missing, broken, worn or cracked.

**Lights** should all work.

**Brakes** shouldn't pull and pedal should be high.

**Horn, wipers and washers** should work with no streaking of wipers on windshield, plus a washer reservoir full of correct washer antifreeze solvent.

**Instruments and dash controls** - Speedometer, warning lights, instrument lights & gauge plus heater and defroster controls and fan should be 100 percent in operation.

**Seat belts** should be secure and buckle and unbuckle properly.

**Under the hood** - Check, with engine off and cool, engine oil level by the dipstick with the car parked on a level spot and radiator level,

automatic transmission fluid with engine at idle and gear selector in park, radiator not dirty, hoses not cracked, kinked, rotted and connected tightly.

**Battery** should be full with distilled water without any crack in the case. Terminals of battery should not be corroded or loose. Fan belts should not be frayed or oily. When pressed with your thumb they shouldn't give more than 1/2

inch. Look for loose parts and leaks and listen for abnormal noises.

No matter how closely anyone checks their car, problems may arise on the highway. If so, be prepared by at least having the following in your trunk—Road flares, good flashlight, variety of fuses, fan belt, small tool kit, electrical tape, battery booster cables, flat tire fixer and inflator gas siphon pump, folding trouble shovel, tow rope

safety vest and baton, good spare, lug wrench and good scissor jack and bag of sand in case you get stuck.

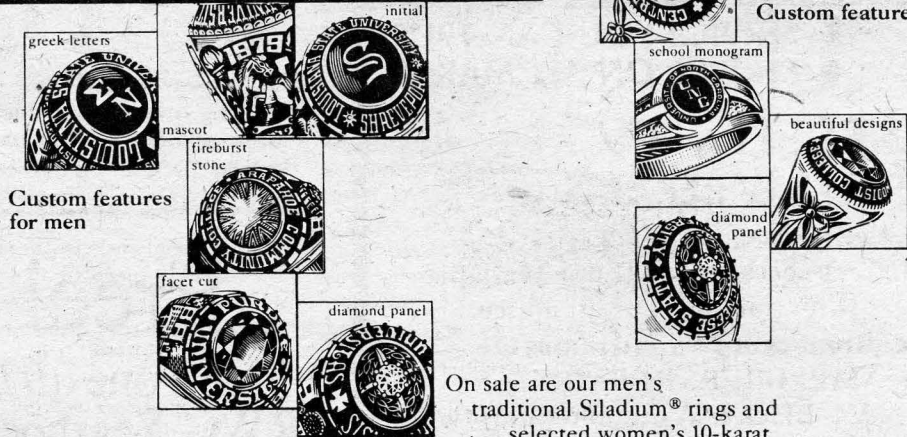
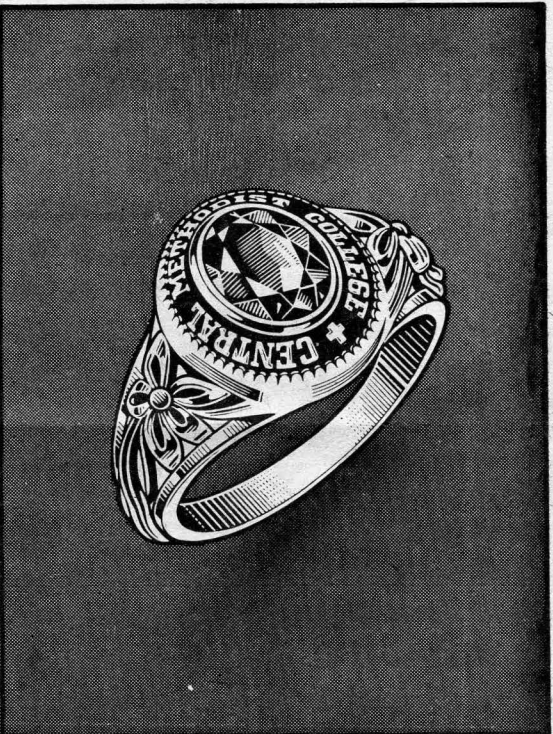
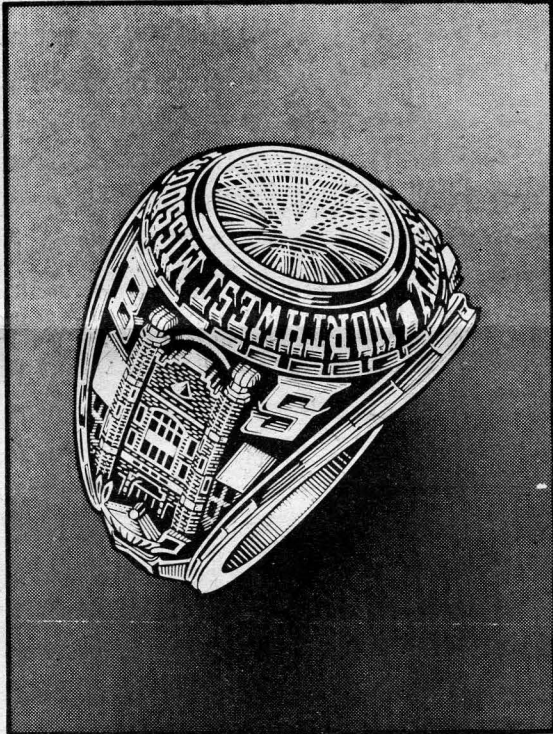
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## Two New Faces Bring Co-op New Life

By Virginia Walter

With two new additions to the staff, the Co-operative Education Department at Roger Williams this year is probably more diverse than ever before. Ann Kellerman and Rogelio Yearwood joined the Co-op staff in September, as Co-operative Education Placement Assistants for RWC students.

Both Kellerman and Yearwood consider Co-op an important part of a student's education. "Students often find that experience in a career area can change their attitudes toward career goals. This is where Co-operative Education can prove itself a real benefit to the college community," said Kellerman, who serves as counselor and placement assistant for Liberal Arts students.

Co-op, with its added staff, hopes to grow in other ways, too. "We would like to make Co-op a more important and beneficial part of the college community," said Kellerman. "The Co-op department hopes to show many positive changes throughout the year," she added.

According to Yearwood, in charge of Co-op placements for Natural Science and Engineering students, these changes include a more detailed information sheet. "We hope to make up a brochure which will more fully explain Co-op to the

students," he stated. "In addition, the evaluation form required from both students and employers at the end of the Co-op assignment, will be revised to allow for more in-depth explanation of the experience."

A new approach in finding Co-op jobs for Liberal Arts students is also necessary, according to Kellerman. "It is difficult to find paying jobs for many areas of Liberal Arts. I am exploring opportunities in industry and private business for Co-op placements, such as industrial psychology," she explained.

Kellerman is a resident of Bristol, and a member of the Bristol Town Council. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in English, from Marymount College and has taught junior high school classes in Wyoming.

Rogelio Yearwood, with a Bachelor of Science from Johnson and Wales College, is a resident of Providence.

Both Yearwood and Kellerman agree that "Students have been very enthused about the program and concerned with the Co-op experience." And they hope that this will continue. "I only wish I had the opportunity when I was in school," said Kellerman.

Rogelio Yearwood has his office in Tower D, Dorm I. Ann Kellerman is located Downstairs in Tower B. Students are invited to take the opportunity to visit them, and discuss a new career experience.



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# I Thought It Was Against The Law

By Robert Moynihan

Here at RWC we have a very liberal ruling of the kinds of cooking we can do. Here is a partial list of things we are allowed to do:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

Basically we are not allowed any opportunity to make our own food in the dorm. Not even a batch of popcorn for the late night munchies when we are doing homework.

This leaves two courses of action for the students living on campus:

- 1) Go hungry.
- 2) Prepare an "illegal" meal.

But what can you cook in a dorm with limited kitchenette facilities? Until now we've been limited to Campbell's soup and hard boiled eggs.

However this book, written by a college student herself, changes this. It shows how to prepare such palate pleasers as eggplant parmesan, steak sizzle and even homemade pineapple jam.

"All fine and wonderful," you might think, "but I left my radar range at home." No need to despair.

In these recipes, the only cooking implements needed are a hot pot, a thermos and an electric iron.

To make "steak sizzle", for example, take a 3/4 inch steak and sprinkle both sides with salt. Wrap in aluminum foil and place an iron on it set at medium. Cook each side until it looks done on the outside and cut into it to see if it's done. If not, iron it longer.

Not in the mood for a steak? well, how about a cheese omelet? Ingredients:

- one egg
- 1 Tbsp milk
- 1/2 Tbsp butter
- 1 oz. shredded cheese

Preheat iron to highest setting. Place the milk and egg into a buttered aluminum pie tin and place atop the iron. Cook for four minutes and then add the cheese.

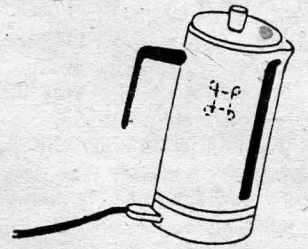
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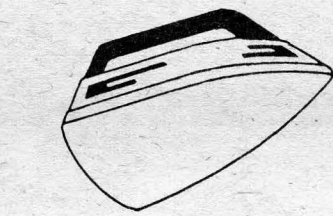
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# Editorially Speaking

## Will This Ever Happen Again?

Now that Mr. Rotella has been fired, we insist that the faculty and administration negotiate a plan that will ensure that no student of this institution will ever have to suffer through a semester like Rotella's students did.

Students have lost an opportunity to receive full value for their tuition in these courses. They must now be satisfied with second rate and incomplete knowledge of these subjects; subjects that are important prerequisites for other courses they will take. They have every right to be upset and demand that something be done.

The first step to be taken is to determine what went wrong in the first place. The division coordinator must bear some responsibility for allowing the situation to progress as far as it did before even becoming aware of it. If the co-ordinator is to truly co-ordinate and have control over the division than there can be no excuse for this neglect. The co-ordinators should become more conscientious in their jobs, or perhaps they should not have it.

Second of all, looking at the amount of time it took to ultimately rectify the situation, it is obvious that the 'normal' channels that must be followed because of the faculty contract do not work properly. They must be streamlined.

Finally, although it would be unfair to say that many, some, or even any of the faculty would take advantage of them, some of the rights granted them by their contract could allow an event similar to this to re-occur. They should be willing to have these freedoms tightened somewhat so that this could not happen again. Because they would never use them they would not really be giving anything away, and they would rule out the chance of being embarrassed or criticized for it in the future.

# "My Ride to New Jersey Leaves on Thursday"

"I'm sorry I can't make class Friday, Professor. My ride to New Jersey leaves on Thursday." With these words the otherwise intelligent and personable Sally Coed closed the door on one more week of her college education.

The "ride to New Jersey leaves on Thursday" syndrome at RWC is not, perhaps, quite so serious as the "motor boat malady." This disease made a rare appearance in Spring, 1973 when Stu Freshman complained that he had no time for his English class "because he had to work a part time job in order to meet payments on his motor boat so that he could show his girl a good time." Alas, Mr. Freshman succumbed to the ravages of his dread disease and flunked out that semester.

Whether it be a mild case of "ride" syndrome or a serious seizure

of "motorboatitis", that species of cerebral virus long ago identified by top RWC humanists and scientists as the cause of Infectious Absenteeism, has been haunting the heating systems and lighting fixtures of RWC classrooms for years. The cold and dark classrooms of

Infectious Absenteeism. Then, when he confronts the extended weekend, his strength begins to fail once more. He knows we all live in a leisure-oriented culture. But how can you comfort him with that tidbit of sociological data when some lonely Friday, or Monday he can't even find a good doctor on campus after 3 o'clock? So poor Ed struggles on week in and week out while a lot of other people pop leisure pills to take the edge off a hard (although usually brief) week. Is there a cure for Ed's malady? Ask Sally Coed, if you can catch her next Tuesday on her way back from New Jersey. Oh, she's riding with Stu's younger brother, "E.Z." He doesn't like motorboats, but you should see the awful case of "customizedvanitis" he's got.

## COMMENTARY

By P.J. Szenher

Friday are mute witness to the debilitating illness that seems to be squeezing the breath out of that already severely short winded patient, Ed Higher, B.A., R.W.C.

Poor Ed, has really only a few good days each week -- usually Tuesday to Thursday -- as he fights his (I hope not) losing battle with



I WANT DIS GUY HIT, PUT FIRESTONE SOOS ON HIS CAR.

## Letters to the Editor

### Disappearing Sports Funds

Dear Editor:

For all of you who are interested, we do have an intramural sports program at RWC. All fulltime students pay for the program.

Each student pays \$40 a year, and there are 3333 fulltime students at RWC; that means \$33,330 should be spent for the intramural program. The money should go to the intramural program which is open to all students; not the varsity sports program.

Also everyone who plays an intramural sport must pay a \$1.00 entry fee...for what I'll never know.

The point is that there is plenty of money to run a good intramural program here at RWC.

You would think that a school that does not have a gym would want to have a well-run intramural program. We don't, so where is all the money going to? I could be wrong, but we, the student at RWC, are not getting \$33,330 worth of intramurals.

In football, nothing is spent except to lime the field every once in a while; in softball they buy a few balls and bats; and in basketball they rent the armory. There is the cost of the women's intramural sports program, but that is not much either. The above could not add up to \$33,330, so where is the rest of the money going? We all have our own ideas, but I will not get into that now.

I would like to see the Administration give a breakdown on how "our" money is being spent, and print it in the next issue of the Quill--that is if they have the "nerve" to.

There are a lot of things wrong with the intramural program, and a lot of things could be done to improve it, but if I mentioned them, this letter would be 20 pages long. Instead, this letter is a general overview, and an attempt to get

some support, feedback, and response.

Everybody complains about how bad things are, but no one does anything. Well, here is your chance to do something--so let's get together and help ourselves.

John N. Snyder

In the next issue of the Quill there will be an interview with Hector Massa, Director of Athletics. He will explain where your athletic fee goes.

Eds.

### Animalistic Students?

Dear Editor,

Why this destruction, what's going on? Where is that sense of caring for the place you live in, you sleep in, where part of your life, person, body, and mind spends most of its time. What's going on? Yes, this is a question that some students are asking; the rest are too busy destroying the place. What can you say when you see glued furniture on the floors, broken and even missing chairs at the snack bar, zig-zag cracked glass in the units, up-side-down trash cans and I can go on and on. It's a one of a kind battle; animalistic students against defenseless static furniture, the casualties are recorded you know where and guess who pays for them?

One aspect that should be taken into consideration is that the room and board fees for spring 78 were \$940.00 for a double and this semester it is \$1038.00, an increase of \$98.00. Isn't this enough already? So we can say that this irregular action is useless, doesn't get you anywhere, and even more it'll cost you money to do it.

As a student of Roger Williams College I personally feel that all our energy that has been used for some kind of destruction, can be used for a purpose or a common goal. This goal can be: better dorm facilities, new dorms, better food, a gym, and other facilities that our upcoming R.W.C. needs.

So lets get away from the dorm destruction, stop giving a hard time to the R.A.'s and get our act together. Like I told you before I'm a student of this school like the rest of you and I urge you to get involved in a sport, a club or just try to make the place we live in more beautiful.

Sincerely yours,

Carlos A. Tosta

### Saturday Night Feeble

Dear Editor:

With regards to the November 2nd issue, specifically, the "review" of Hennessey's by your (cough) "seasoned discoers": I find that these people evidently lack experience in their field of "expertise". And what is it that gives these "experts" this broad horizon of experience - the few discos in the Newport area?

Having visited numerous discos across the country, from Studio 54 in New York City to the Class Reunion in D.C. to Pip's in Los Angeles (ETC.), I feel I can speak from experience with which your writers obviously do not have. One of the trademarks that lend an "air of class" (as your writers say) is precisely the environment that Hennesseys lends to its guests - that of different settings so that no matter what mood you are in, no matter how you're dressed or feel like dressing - you can visit, feel comfortable, and enjoy the entertainment and/or atmosphere you wish.

How about raising the disco volume so we can drown out these "experts" in the future?

Carol A. Lange

Dear Editor,

This is concerning your recent article by Ken Brown on his views of what or what not a "Disco" should be at Hennessey's.

As a group of young gentlemen we feel that 3 piece suits and mixed drinks have no more value than blue jeans and beer. This past summer, Hennessey's did indeed have a dress code where jeans were not permitted. This of course did not last. Why? Because no one patronized the club. No one wanted to dress up in 3 piece suits.

Face it, we're all there for the same reason - to have a good time and socialize. The fact that some people dress in jeans shouldn't matter.

Hennessey's advertises as being "A club with something for everyone". So why don't you let it be just that.

And as for a disco having "An air of class" about it, we're sure it does, but that kind of air belongs in an outhouse. Get off your trip; all types of music should be played, not just one style.

Keeping in mind that you don't enjoy jeans and headbands in a "DISCO". How do you think us Redneck mothers feel towards John Travolta and 3 piece suits? The same way you feel about jeans.

Joe Geis - Bob Lewis - Scott Genseal

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# Blackburn: Just A Rambling Guy

By Robert Moynihan

"No, not me," Bob said, blushing a scarlet red. "You don't want me for a faculty profile, do you?"

Bob Blackburn is the Humanities Division coordinator and is "very" modest. "I'm unashamed, I tell everything," Blackburn joined the RWC family in 1968 when the school was still in the YMCA building.

But you may not recognize him anymore because he recently shaved off his moustache and got a hair cut, "Mom says I look like 'her little Bobby again.'"

Blackburn got his masters degree

in Philosophy from Brown University. "I wasn't the typical hellraiser, although," he laughs as he leans back in his chair, "I once drove my VW bus across the main green. Must've been my roommate's fault."

"Another time," he recalls, "we drove through the bus tunnel in Providence. There are pretty heavy fines for doing that kind of thing and I remember asking, 'What are you doing?' and the driver replied, 'Obviously, I'm going through the tunnel.'"

Bob Blackburn was born in "Little Rhody" as he puts it. "I remember when I was a little kid, my father would take me to the

ocean and I'd be afraid to go in because the waves were so big. But I love to body surf now," he said as he looked off into space apparently recalling some of the funnier times.

"I also remember getting my hair cut at a barber shop that still exists in Providence on Thayer Street. I used to sit on a little wooden horse and read comic books. I couldn't understand the words, but I used to skim over them like I was really reading it. However I don't go there anymore."

Bob also grew up in Motown (Detroit), Michigan. His senior year in high school his family moved to Southern California. "My only claim to fame was that during this time my high school baseball team played against the school that Rollie Fingers was at. I struck out and hit a ground ball to second off him."

"Another time a bunch of high school buddies and myself were on the Steve Allen Show. We had gone up to Hollywood and were in the audience when he came up and talked to us for a while."

After completing high school, Blackburn went back east to Brown University to go to school. He had many adventurous summers then. "Once I drove cross-country in my VW to Southern California. I covered 14,000 miles and went to Southern Canada as well. That was in 1971. What a great summer."

"Before I had the van I had a '66 Le Mans; the first new car I ever owned. When I was in Boston it got stolen. All I could think was that someone else had his dirty hands on my steering wheel. Anyway, it was found six weeks later in N.Y.C."

Bob was also in a movie, or as he put it, "I had a bit part as a vampire in a horror movie my brother wrote." In between tapings, Bob was a contestant on a show called 'Split Second'. He won some money, and a \$6,000 Pontiac. When asked why he picked the Pontiac, he said, "Because it was the most expensive car there." When asked what he did with it, "I sold it, of course."

Bob hitch-hiked from Providence to Seattle to Los Angeles during one Spring intersession. On the way he was almost converted to a new religion by someone who picked him up.

But that's all past history. Bob's a family man now, with "Two step children and two regular children. Actually they're all regular, only two of them are mine."

"I am glad I didn't get married at 22 or 23. I enjoyed the extra seven or eight years when I could be on my own."

He lives in Edgewood, Rhode Island, "With a beautiful wife," his four children, a dog and a cat called Diddy because his 2 1/2 year old can't pronounce Kitty.

When asked what his most memorable moment was, Blackburn snickered, "I don't think I've had it yet."

His favorite beer is "Coors, domestically. It's expensive east of Kansas, so I also like Heinekens, dark."

## Graduation

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"I like being in close touch with younger people, especially college age people. But I can't see myself staying here forever."

Where he would like to go he isn't sure. But the Humanities Division

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Yes, Bob, you are this issues faculty profile.

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## A Review: The Lover

By Jacqueline Morris

From the moment I heard this would be a play by Harold Pinter, I knew I was in store for something worth seeing...though a bit bizzare. This was Laura Donovan's directing debut in the Coffeehouse Theatre, and I think she proved herself nicely by making such a good choice as Pinter.

Speaking to Ms. Donovan after the show, she pointed out that Pinter's plays are quite diversified, thus I would assume making it

difficult to work with.

This play was about a couple Sarah (Paula Vinzi) and Richard (Thom Miller), who each day go through this fantasy playing of roles. Sarah waits for her lover every afternoon, while all this is approved by her husband. I myself thought this was quite jolly of him, until her lover turned out to be none other than her very own Richard. Strange you say? Not until you saw some of the changes these two went through. Sarah's role was that of a 'loose woman', and Richard's was more of the playboy type.

To give you an idea of just how heavy this play got at times:

Husband kisses wife, and very nonchalantly says, "Is your lover coming today?" Another time the wife is trying to make conversation and says, "So...how's your whore?" Paula Vinzi, a freshman made her

Coffeehouse debut in the main season production of "The House of Bernarda Alba" in a very small role. "The Lover", was the biggest thing she's done since then. It would seem that Ms. Vinzi has a very promising career in the Coffeehouse, though she should be careful not to look as if she's getting ready to burst into laughter at any given moment. I found that a bit distracting, but otherwise she did quite a job.

This is not the first time I've seen Thom Miller in the Coffeehouse, and everytime I see him I feel the same way.

The roles that Mr. Miller seems to be cast for do him no justice whatsoever. I'd like to see him in something quite different for a change, as I believe he has the potential.

In the way the play was written, the characters had to portray other personalities, and at times I found this transition hard to detect. But I did manage to get along.

All in all, without the few minor flaws mentioned, Ms. Donovan turned out to be quite a director, for her first time around. Evidently by the house turnout, practically everyone was expecting the very best.

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Lisa W. "Two out of three ain't bad"! S.B.

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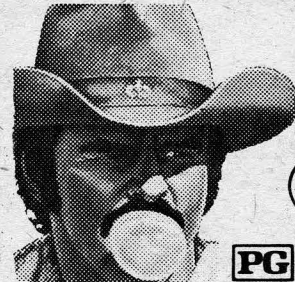
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By Lynda Parker

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# Exceptional Students Get Honored

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their respective academic areas. Accounting - Douglas Gingerella, American Studies - John Canham, Architectural Engineering Technology - Angeline Ho, Biology - James Lunig, Business Administration - Dorothy Bridge, Civil Engineering Technology - Steven Benz, Creative Writing - Wendy Goodman, historical Preservation - William Kling, History - Helen Reed, Language, Literature and Communications - Deborah Robinson, Marine Biology - Denis LaFreniere and Roger Wilson, Marketing - Mary J. Marshall, Mechanical Engineering Technology - Tom Richards, Philosophy - Steven Bradlute, Sociology - Lynda Parker, Theatre Arts - Joel Burnstein, Urban & Environmental Planning - Renee Hebert, and members form last years honors program - Michael Brown, Christine McCarty, Patience Alexander, and Beth Lawton.

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# Vote

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have a great interest in other activities. If backpacking interests you, then you can help decide how your money will be spent by joining the backpacking club, since the Student Activity Fee funds all clubs."

"What if there is no club in the activity you are interested in?" asked Fusco. "Then start one! It's not hard to do, since all you need is interested people and a constitution, which the Senate will help you write."

"Everything that has been stated so far is by no means limited to just Dorm Students," said Lafreniere. "Commuters, too, pay an Activity Fee, and they can have just as much control over where it goes. The main thing is to get involved."

"In just the past year or so," continued Lafreniere, "more and more students have been getting involved; getting more and more control over their money. More clubs have been started, and so the Senate needs more funds than ever before. This problem can be solved with a slight increase in your Activity Fee."

"That is the whole reason why the Senate decided to hold the referendum," said Lafreniere. "The Senate wants the students to have control over their money, and wants to let them decide if they want to increase the Activity Fee. The increase would benefit any students who want control over their money by putting more money into clubs, etc."

# Teacher

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immediate action because, due to the faculty contract, he had to send the problem through proper channels.

Wilde originally sent the students to Pozzi, and then to Anne Barry, Co-ordinator of the Social Science Division and Rotella's immediate superior. When this did not produce the necessary results, Wilde stepped in himself.

Because the normal system took so long to discover then correct the problem, Wilde plans to meet with Anne Barry, Phil Schlyer, President of the faculty union, and Phil Szenher, Chairman of faculty Personnel Committee to attempt to negotiate new procedures so that this situation cannot arise again.

"Obviously, the normal channels that we have to follow did not accomplish their function, and something is wrong and should be fixed," Wilde said.

# Day On

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Administration's position and the votes of the Student Senate and the Academic Council, wanted the day to remain a class day.

Wilde and Schuyler "could not decide to change the decision that was in force at the time of the meeting, that being that classes would be held, and therefore the decision remained unchanged", said Wilde.

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