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# the Hawk's Herald 

## Roger Dodger goes into a re-modeling frenzy

Erika Murphy Human Interest
For some, summer is a time for relaxing. For others, summer is a time for change. This past summer, RWU underwent some important changes that will better the entire community.

For starters, the architecture building has been expanded to accommodate the growing number of students in the masters program. The interior of the building features more studio seats, as well as a brand new lecture hall. In addition, professors and faculty members will have more offices. Both the exterior and the interior were supposed to be finished by September 1 , however, the building is currently only 80 percent functional.
According to Jeff Gillooly, Senior Director of Government Relations and International Programs, as well the Executive Assistant to the President, the architecture building will hopefully be finished within the next three weeks. This will complete phase one of construction. Immediately after, phase two will begin.

Phase two will include the demolition of the Central Office Building


Major construction is taking place around campus. The architecture building, seen above, is near completion with new studio desks, a lecture hall and plenty of space for graduate students.
and the construction of a ncw dining halh, walkway outside has ha University Commons, been paved with steps improvements over the which will be open in leading down to the summer. Along with a late winter or early spring.

The library looks the same from the outside, however, the Happy White Cultural Center (HWCC) was constructed on the inside. This new addition is located on the first floor. The HWCC will be home to the Socrates Café in addition to other events. The Gabelli School of Business has also had
main road through campus, and the snack room on the first floor has been turned into a new financial services meeting area with state of the art televisions and computers.

Portions of Willow and Almeida were renovated over the summer, including the replacement of Almeida's refrigerators and stoves. Baypoint, the dorm
new wing that encloses the courtyard, the new rooms in Baypoint bave personal bathrooms and new furmiture for the residents to enjoy. The courtyard was also remodeled. The residents now have a more spacious and beautiful area to enjoy Frisbee and other outdoor activities.
Nike Hall and North Campus are in the process of receiving an


New Homes for Nemos: Students waited in line to take home their very own goldfish during Wednesday's Club Fair. The fish were courtesy of the Scuba Chub.

## RWU janitor arrested

Aubrey Joyce News Editor

The police have arrested William A. Parmlee, 32, of 60 Fourth St., East Providence. Parmlee was caught allegedly stealing a computer from a locked computer lab.
Parmlee is a custodian at the University and police believe he is responsible for a series of thefts on campus that have taken place in the past six months.
According to Lt . Guercia of the Bristol Police Deparment, the investigation began in March when a safe was reported stolen from the

University. At this time, the police department was also getting reports of other missing item, mostly taken from secure areas of the campus, leading investigators to assume someone with access to these locked areas was involved in the crimes.
"The unique combination of these particular larcenies," said Lt. Guercia, "is all of them were committed in locked parts of the building with no forced entry. Right from the start, we suspected someone with access to

## To the Editor:

The issue of same-sex marriage has aroused furor among the members of the Roger Williams University community and in the country at large. It seems time to discuss the issue civilly and to offer some insights. For one, it appears to me that the issue of the legal benefits of marriage and the issue of religious beliefs have been conflated or entangled. If we believe in freedom of religion, churches do have the right to limit their believers and their beliefs. However, when the issue is seen as a legal one, boundaries become less clear.
Under the "equal protection under the law" tenet, all citizens are to be treated as equals within our legal system. Therefore, by denying legal protection to anyone, whether of different race or class or a similar variable, we tread upon discrimination as a result of prejudice.
Does marriage offer citizens tegal protection? Yes. A simple example will suffice. For one, according to tax codes, married people are taxed at a favorable rate. Furthermore, a legally recognized marriage allows businesses to offer health benefits to a spouse at a reduced cost. Then
too, one spouse is generally awarded child custody if a partner dies. One spouse can determine a partner's end-of-life medical treatments and even burial conditions. Thus, the legal status as "spouse" has great repercussions for two people who choose to share their lives as citizens in our country.
Clearly, a part of the resistance to same-sex marriage derives from some religious institutions. It would appear that the "solidity" of (conventional) marriage is threatened by the legalization of same-sex marriages. Perhaps this prejudice is based upon an unrecognized fear. Perhaps this prejudice is an unacknowledged assumption that "different" people will hurt others in some way. Are we to believe that people who have different skin colors or different social customs or different sexual preferences will contribute to the demise of the "United" States? Or are we a nation who not only tolerates but also affirms differences as an asset to a stronger union?
On the other hand, one might wonder if this fear is an individual one? Does an anti-gay-marriage supporter feel that his or her own heterosexuality is threatened? Should he or she feel vulnerable to a "different" sexual orientation, or instead feel so confident about his or her own sexual choice so as to support individuals with different orientations?
I suspect that beneath the intolerance for same-sex marriages, some people are uneducated about sexual preference. While some people pick same-sex partners as a free choice, others are biologically programmed to be attracted to same-sex relationships. Newer scientific studies strongly suggest that when a fetus is bathed in certain hormones, the result may be a same-sex preference. When these studies are affirmed - and should laws be passed to refuse legal recognitionwe will have validated prejudice against a biological condition that is genetic in about $10 \%$ or more of our citizens. Is this not akin to discriminating against people who blind or deaf or who are in wheelchairs, or who are born of a different race?
Finally, 1 ask the students at RWU to look around them when they next sit in a classroom of 30 people. It is a statistical probability that 3 of the classmates will be discriminated against should they ever choose to be a partner with someone of the same sexual orientation.

Glenna Andrade - Assistant Professor

## Police Beat

Sundey, September 5, at 10:22 a.m. RWU security reported a possible sexual assault that occurred in Portsmouth. No report was filed.

## Mac Attack

Sunday: Séptember 12, at 9:32 p.m. Bayside resident reports larceny of a computer.

## Snuffed Out

Tuesday, August $31,9.52$ p.m.: Blair Llewellyn, 19, of 100 Overhill Rd., Orinda, Calif., was arrested on possession of marijuana. Friday: September 4, at 11:45 p.m.: Nathan Ormond, 18, of 8 Jefferson Si, Warren. RI, was charged with driving in possession of controlled substances and possession of marijuana.
Sunday: September S, at 9.19 p.m.. Michael Naymie, 18, of 90 Stanford Dr., Westwood, Mass., was charged with possession of marijuana.

## J-Kwon would be proud

Thursday, September 2, at 6:59 p.m.: Peter McManus, 18 , of 83 Pierce St.. West Boylston, Mass., was charged with possession of beverage by an underage person.
Thursday. September 2, at 8:22 p.m.: Adam Grimm, 19, of 12
Pleasant View Ave., Troy, NY, was charged with possession of beverage by an underage person.
Wednesday, September 8 , at 9.53 p.m.: Daniel Dugan, 19, of 26 Liberty St., Taunton, Mass., as charged with possession of beverage by an underage person.

## Dumb and Dumber plustwo

Tuesday, September 7, at $8: 22$ p.m. Thomas Kane, 20, of 220 Claremont Rd, Ridgewood, NJ, was charged with possession of beverage by an underage person.
Tiestay, September 7 , at $8: 22$ p $m$. Michael Scheiderioh, 20, of 8710 Emerald Ln., Rome, NY, was charged with possession of bevergae by an underage person.
Tuesday, September 7, at $8: 22$ p.m. Christopher Bohem, 19, of 80 Highridge Rd., West Simsbury, CT, was charged with possession of beverage by an underage person.
Tuesday, September 7, at 8:22 p.m.: Steven Lebow. 19, of 339 Valley View Dr., Franklin Lks., NI, was charged with possession of beverage by an underage person.

## Early impression not good

Saturdoy, September 11, at $12: 51$ a.m. Brendan Early, 18, of 18 Anthony CL, Bethany, CT, was charged with DUL, possession of marijuana and refusal to submit to a chemical test.

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# Dean exhibits charm, motivation 

Blaine Moff Editor
For Kathleen McMahon, Roger Williams seems to be "just right." She joins RWU, a school of about 3,600 , from Marlboro College in Vermont, a school of a mere 300 , and landed her first job as a dean at UCLA, populated by 36,000 .
But that's not even the best part.
"I can't even finish my cup of coffee in the morning," McMahon gushes with excitement. Being accustomed to an hour's commute from any school she has worked at, McMahon now lives in a house where she "can see Roger Williams from my upstairs bedroom."
Born and raised outside Chicago, McMahon was familiar with typical suburban living. After graduating high school, she was itching for
social change.
"I went to the University of New Hampshire," she reflects and laughs. "Because I imagined that would somehow give me diversity."

A major in philosophy allows McMahon to credit her logic and analysis skills to lessons learned at UNH. Her desire to be involved with the student body was apparent even then, as she worked in the dean of student's office and as a judicial coordinator, calling many faculty members in the student life center her "role models."

After she received her master's in social work in Boston, she became a therapist for adolescents and families, but her passion for higher learning persisted. She became a resident director for Boston University (BU), living in Kenmore

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Business professor Scott Roberts.


Criminal Justice professor Melissa Russano.


Architecture professor Andrew Thurlow.

## RWU welcomes new faculty

New hires bring greater diversity to campus
Damielle Ameden Contributing Writer
The number of fulltime faculty positions at Roger Williams University has grown significantly over the past two years with 25 new spots created in the University's six schools. Provost Edward Kavanagh said there were 11 positions created for this academic year, adding to the 14 from the 2003-2004 school year. Since 2002, the RWU full-time faculty has risen by 16 percent, bringing the total number of faculty to 180. That number includes 10 non-teaching faculty members, such as librarians.
The University's face is still changing, said Dr. Kavanagh, referring to a feature in last fall's University publication The Bridge, which showcased a diverse group of faculty additions for the year. Kavanagh said the
number of candidate "Grammar with Glenna" applications they sessions in the Writing received for the adver- Center, has become a tised positions was unex- full-time professor in pectedly high, attributed writing studies. to the fact that "the university is becoming very well-known."
A total of 21 candidate searches conducted over the past 11 months found qualified professors from diverse educationa and cultural backgrounds.
"Each of them has a different story to tell," Kavanagh said. New communications professor Maha Bashri hails from the Sudan in South Africa, while microbiologist Avelina Espinosa is a native of Peru.
The psychology department made a new addition, forensic psychologist Matt Zaitchik. While the creative writing program welcomed poet Renée Soto. Glenna Andrade, a visiting proor the past three launch in the fall of years and namesake of 2005.

## Do we want a saint or an S.O.B. running the country?

Aubrey Joyce
News Editor
"Do political candidates have the obligation not to deliberately disseminate false information?" This question was mulled over by a group of students and faculty members at the Socrates Café on Wednesday, September 8, at the Mary Tefft White Cultural Center. The discussion was led by Professor David Moskowitz, who introduced the topic by citing voting statistics [see box].
Since the 60 s, America's trust in government has spiraled downward. Under a third of Americans polled before September 11, 2001, reported that they trusted the government to do what is right. That
number increased slightly , following $9-11$, to 33 percent. Are these numbers indicative of a dishonest political system? Is a greater public good served if a candidate does not provide misinformation? These were just a few questions brought up.
The problem for voters seems to be when, if ever, it is possible to trust a politician or even a candidate. It seems that all too often politicians and/or candidates provide the public with information that is just not true. The intentions of these politicians are not always clear. Is it wrong for a candidate to be mistaken more so than it is for the candidate to be blatantly dishonest? Also, if it is
known that many candidates do, in fact, dissemmate false information, is it fair for the honest candidates to play by the rules? Wouldn't the honest and ethical candidates be left behind while the deceitful candidates pushed ahead? Regardless of intentions or reasons, it is seemingly very difficult for the American public to trust the information provided by the candidates and to vote accordingly,
How then should Americans vote? Or as questioned by Professor June Speakman, "Where do you find the facts?" Maybe one should go to the party platform to make an informed and educated voting decision. How much time do you have to do research
such as this? The Democratic and Republican party platforms are pages and pages of information that the average citizen does not have the time or interest to read. Can we blame the voters for not taking the necessary time to elect the politician with the strongest political platform?
One final question, "Does it really matter if a candidate is dishonest, just as long as they are capable?" As said by Provost Kavanagh, "Are we looking at what a candidate says or are we looking at capability? Do we want a saint or an S.O.B. dealing with Putin or Jacques Chirac?" Put another way, if world and national affairs are not straight-
 istic of being a successful leader? Questions such as these never seem to have definitive answers. It is for anyone to decide

## Janitor

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the campus, such as a campus employee."
According to Brendan Doherty, director of Public Safety, at his request a hidden camera
was installed in the area of the basement of the RWU Law School.
The break in the case came on August 20 during the night when a figure, later identified by Mr. Doherty as William Parmlee, was captured on a video monitor tak-
ing laptop computers. Mr. Doherty then turned over the tapes to the Bristol police.
Detective John Ferrcira and East Providence police went to Mr . Parmlee's home to speak with him of the incident, leading to a search of

Mr, Parmlee's home.
The conducted search resulted in the recovery of a safe with RWU identification, as well as other carpet cleaning supplies that had been reported stolen.
"As of yet, we have not recovered any com-
puters," reported Lt. and released on bail. He Guercia, "and we are is scheduled to appear in still working to determine what happened to the computers."
Parmlee has been charged with one count of larceny, a felony.
He was arraigned on August 22 in Providence,
court again in October.
"We are pleased with the outcome," reported Brendan Doherty, "we identified a problem, and we acted on it."


Friends gather for John Mayer and Maroon 5 in Hartford, Conn. (Top LR: Nick Jemo, Shannon McCoy, Meghan Rothschild, Jeff Fraser; Bottom LR: Kristine Shehan, Rhian Clark, Jami Chanowski, Michelle Moore)

## Meadows Music Theater provides twice the fun at end-of-summer concert series

## Meghan Rothschild

 Contributing WriterFree condoms and guitars filled with beer easi ly created one of the most enjoyable atmospheres at a concert venue this summer.
The crowd was an even split at The Meadows Music Theater in Hartford, CT, on August 15, with half waiting for the popular Maroon 5 and the othe half anticipating guitar hearthrob John Mayer.
For those who attend-
ed last spring's concert, you know that Maroon 5 rocked the RWU Recreation Center. This concert was no exception. Playing only the best, Maroon 5 had the crowd up and dancing with "This Love" and "Harder to Breath." After their hour-long opening performance, the crowd was thrilled. and were even more excited for what was coming next.
John Mayer kept us on the edge of our seats, but
not for long. He performed for two hours non-stop, playing a good mix from all four of his CD's, including "Clarity," "Why Georgia" and "Your Body is a Wonderland. His initial exit offstage left the crowd cheering an encore, and Mayer returned to end his concert with "Comfortable" from his second CD Any Given Thursday. It was clear that his talent left the audience with a satisfied taste in their mouths.

## Drinking water is more endangered than you think

Heather Kordula Science

Only three percent of the earth's water is fresh, with more than twothirds bound up in glaciers and ice caps. This

The United States is running out of drinking water, especially in coastal areas. Recently in Pinellas County, FL, local water authority Tampa Bay Water built the largest desalination

leaves less than one per- facility this side of Saudi cent of the planet's water Arabia. It is the only available.

## Exciting year for College Democrats

President Sarah Bogdan returns from a semester in DC.

William Sandler Contributing Writer
"You learn to laugh a lot," says junior Sarah Bogdan, describing what it is like to work with a President and an administration of an opposing party. Despite the obvious differences in belief, Bogdan has come back from D.C. armed with knowledge and experience to breathe new life into the College Democrats of Roger Williams University.
"I'm really excited to get started this year," she said. "We are going to
offer the students of RWU fun ways to get involved in their local political community." The College Democrats will be working with the multi-cultural groups on campus in order to bring a more positive image to political activism on RWU.
"Our goal is to change the tone of civil discourse on campus. Get excited everybody, because this year will be very active," she boasts. Last semester, Bogdan interned for Talk Radio News Service and as a White House correspon-
dent. "It was really exciting to cover one of the $9 / 11$ commissions with Dr. Rice," said Bogdan.
While working in DC, she got to rub elbows with famous faces, like Secretary of State Colin Powell, Director of Homeland Security Tom Ridge, and Prime Minister of the United Kingdom Tony Blair.
"D.C. is amazing; it is the heart of America. I would recommend a semester there to anyone," Bogdan said. In the future she would love to work as a lobbyist.
the constant flow of water helps to wash the outer membranes clean of their concentration of brine. The discharged water only adds marginally to the salinity of the bay, according to the University of Florida's Marine Science Center.
However, the advocacy group, Save Our Bays, Air and Canals, claims that the briny discharge is equivalent to dumping a truckload of salt into the bay every six months. Also, from the 44 million galfons of seawater the plant receives daily, only 25 million gallons of freshwater is produced.
In 1960, only five desalination plants existed worldwide. Today, more than 12,500 desalt plants exist in 120 countries, mostly in the Middle East and the Caribbean. Last year, municipal water agen-
cies in California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and Florida pooled their resources and formed the United States Desalination Coalition, a Washington D.C. based advocacy group that lobbies the federal government to invest in new desalination projects.

The American Water Works Association, the largest organization of water professionals in the world, predicts that the world's market for desalinated water will grow by more than seventy billion dollars in the next twenty years. As the technology improves, the cost of producing freshwater is lowered and more and more planners are looking to the ocean as the droughtproof guarantor of continued growth.


# MEET YOUR PROFESSORS: <br> An in-depth look at the new hires this semester 

Gilcona Andrade * Assistant Professor of Writing Stadie
Gicma.Andrade has served as a visiting prufessur of uriting stodies for three ounsecuitive terms (2001-04) - FCAS. She his a PhD. in English form the Univeraty of Rhode Istand a M.F.A. in Fiction from Vernoti College of Norwich (Juiversity, and a master's in English with a concentration in expository vriting trum Calffarmia State Lniversity.

Chanyan Bai, Assistant Professor of Computer Science
Chuny an Bar has an M.S. in Computer Secence from the University of Lousians at Lafayette, a Ph.D. (in May 3604) from the University of Loutisfina (LL), and a M.E. in Eloctricit Enginecring Ms. Biai comes to RWU from 值, whete she served as lecturer for the undergraduate computer sclence courss

Mahe Bashri, Assistant Professor of Commanications (FCAS)
Maka Bastri is curreutly a doctoral student at the Drivensity of Souk Carolina School of Joumatiam and Muss Communications (USCSMC) where she received ber master's of mass commanication. She eamed a B.A. in French, with a miner in ligguistics, from the University of Khartorm, Fhoulty of Ans in Khartoum. Sudan. She joins RWU from her previous positimn as instructof of communications at USCSMMC, where she taught mass media law. Bashri is one of the feew femules frum Sudan who has had the chance to punsue an extensive education, Her research and feaching inferests are otiented toward international communication and testing mass coummamication theorics in other cultures.

## Dr. Nancy Breen, Visiting Assistant Professor of Chemistry

Dr. Breen hes a Ph.D. in Chemistry from Oregon State University. She joins RWU frem her previous position as lecturer and constiltant in the deparmemt of chemistry at Indiuna Linivessity-Purduc. University in Indianapolis. De Breen was awanied tic DuPent Award for Ontsianding Research.

Rebert Dermody, Assistanf Professor of Arehifectural Design
Professor Deriondy hats a master's of architectere, structures concentration, from the University of Ilinols and a B.S. in Civit Enyinecring from the Universily of Massachusetk. He joins RWL fromhis previous position as an assistaht protessor at the University of Illinois School of Architecture in Champagne. II, where he was also awurried the first innugural Hilftiger Taculty fellowship in Structureswof Arehitectiee Priviously, he find worked at ADD, inc, a argedesign firm in Canbindge. MA. Its professimat design office expenence inchides boith archifectural and engineeting firns, where he worked on a variety of building projeets, frum athletic facilities to medical and otrice buildinge. He is curtently pursuing professional regiatration as both an arctutect and an engineet.

## Avelina Espinusa, Assistant Professor of Biology

Dr Espinosa has a Ph.D. in Molecular Mierobiology and Miorobial Pathogenesis and an M.A. in Biology und Biotechnology from Washington University, St. Louis. She received a B.S. in Biological Sciences it Pontifical Catholic Univarsity in Eciador. Espinosa served is a posidocforal fesearch associate at we Uaiversity of Nebraska-Lincoln, plant science iuitiative and the departricnt of piant parbology.

## Thonias P. Langdon, Assoclate Professor of Bosiness Law

Thomas Laigglon has a ELM in Taxation from Villanova University School of Law, a 1.D. in 1995 from Westert New England College School of Law, a M.S.F.S. from The American College, an M.B.A. and a B.S. in Finance and Business Law fimm the Univenity of Connecticut, Langdon cumes to RWU from his grevious position as professor of taxation from The American College. Ho also senved as corssuttant to HRH Prince Khalid bin Alvaleed bin Malal bin Abduluziz Al Saud of Saudi Arabia in 2000

## Bernard Omolo, Assistant Professor of Mathematies

Bernard Omolo has a Ph. D. in Mathematies from Texas Tech Uuiversity, a mister's of science in mithematics and a B. S. in Mathematics from Egerton University, Kenya. He will be poining, RWU in the fall of 2005 ; Hisprevious position was as i part-time gradunte instructor and lecturer at Egertan Oniversity

## Scett Roberts, Ph.D., Associate Professer of Marketing

Dr. Roberis has a Ph D, in Business Administration from Afizonas State University, and a BA. in Psychology from the University of Missouri at Columbia. Ho joins RWU from his previous position as associate podessor of markeling at Northern Arizona University

## Lynn Ruggieri, Assistant Professor of Accouating

Lyun Ruggieri his a C.PA. from Rhode Lsland. She comes of RWU from ber previous position as an iniemai neyenue agent at the Intermal Reyerne Service (IRS) in Providence, RI, and a lecturer io accounting at Bryaut College.

Melissa Russano, Assistant Professar of Criminal Justice
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Renéc Soto, Assistant Professor of Creative Writing
Reniée Soto ermed a M.F.A in Creative Writing and Poetry in $200 t$ from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and a B. A. in English Literature from Mary Washington College in Frederickshig, VA. Soto coimes to RWU from her previous position as instructor in the department of languages, liter ature and philosophy at Armstrong Allartic State Univerity in Savannath, GA.

Dr. Minno Tetarani, Professor of Internationial Business
Dr . Teluani has a $\mathrm{Pb} . \mathrm{D}$. in Business Adinimistration with al concentration in spralegic \& imernational managemenl, an M.S in Agri-Business from Arimana State University and a B.S. in Geology frum Michigan Technological Univesity/Pahlavi University. Dr. Thlrani joins RWU/ from Ler previous position as an associate professor of management at Westem New England College

Dr. Peter Thompsou *, Assistant Professor of Modern Langange
Dr Thompson las a Ph.D. and M.A from Brown Univervity, He is familiar with RWU, having taught language and literature for the past six years. Dr Thompsen has also served: on the board of the Rhwode Ialand Foreign Latgaage Association and as president of the Rhode Island Chapter of the American Associatios of Feachers of French:

Andrew Thuriow, Architectural Design \& Digitaf Media/Computer Application (SAAHP)
Professor Thurlow has a M.S. in Advmeed Arehitectural design from Columbin Utivecsity. He also has a bachelor's degree arclitecture from Syracusc Universify. He jons RWU from his previour position as an assistant professor at the University of Temossee where ho taught in both the undergaduate design atiadio sequence and the digitat curriculum He also establistied a design paumprstip. Thurlaw Small Atelier (ISA) whose resemeti and dekign work over the past threc yerrs has been pubished and pretented nationity fand minentionamp:Moifrectity, it whs the kubjec of txo exhibitoors and an evening lecturs at the Nev York fnatitute of Techrologg, in and on the cover of Inchithese (Mayllurie 2003), and the subfect ef a paper presenied this summet at the Intemationial ACSA Conference in Helsinkt, Finlanid. This year, it will be featured ia Metropolis inagazene (Februnty 2004) and in ans exthibition and evening lecture at the Uriversity of Texas in Austin.

Dr. Zeljko Torhica, Associate Professor of Construction Management Dr Torbica has a PliD. in Construction Maragement from the University of Florida. He joins RWU from Florida Internationai University in Miamii where he taught as an assivtant professor in the college of engincering. He courpleted his education at the Uoiversity of Belgrade, Viugoslavia. His professional experiever includes both office and fieldwork for a wido varicty of projects, ranging from tuxury hotels to military and industrial complexes. His previous eimployment includes Energoprojekt, a company that wot a worldwide reputation for providing construction, design, enginecring and consulting services in nore then 70 countric:. Fnergoprujekt has bect cited as pne of the top international conumctors and designers in Engineering Nevis Reworls amual rankings. It has afforded Torbica the opportunity to bocome acquaintod with consmuction practices in Africa, Asin, Europo, South America and the United States.

## Dr. Matt Zaitchik, Associtite Professor af Psycholugy

Dr. Zaitchik has a Ph.D. in Clinical Paychology from the University of Connection. He also has a B.A. in Piychalogy from Brown University. He comes to RWU from Clark Univemity, where he served as a visiting assistant professor. Hia professional experience includes working as a forensic clinician, serving on seveml slitewide forensic canmittees and condhating civil foreosic eviluations, is well as teaching a varicty of courses at Worcester State College and Clark University.

## Fars Zanardi

Visiting Assistant Professor of Art \& Architectural History
Dr. Zunardi has a Phi.D. in Art Hisiory from the University of Virginio, and a B.A. in Art History and Eaglish Irom the University of Delaware. She comes to RWI) from Appalachian State University, North Carolim, where she tught as a visiting assistant professor of art history She recerved an Oulstimding Graduate Teaching Association Award in 1999.

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## Campus Entertainment Network looks to exciting semester with new members

Steve DeSteno Contributing Writer

The goal for Roger Williams' Campus Entertainment Network this fall is to try and top last year. Yet with many successful events, including the Maroon 5 concert and Spring Weekend, it will be a challenge. With the help of fresh faces, along with some veterans, C.E.N hopes to have another successful year.
Some of the new faces this year include: Victoria Abbey, who will head Chameleon Clubs, Elizabeth Huynh, Co-

Sponsor for Events, Comedy.
Dana Rose Rufino, The board has its share Daytime Programs, of talented veterans as Rachel Ronayne in well. Jordana films, and Amelia Psiloyenis, along with Rocchi who fills the position as Head of Recruitment
Retention. CEN is looking forward to great contributions from these new members that will help make the 20042005 academic year even better.
C.E.N. is excited to have board members back who went abroad in the spring. Some of the members returning are Stephanie Ann Beres, Co-Chair, and Michelle Moore, Head of
C.E.N has a great mix of members and is looking forward to another year of exciting events. Psiloyenis says, "We are greatly anticipating next year's events and hope that the new members will contribute with some great ideas."

The group has already proven successful by inviting Dashboard Confessional to their annual fall concert. ABFN held its first event on Friday, Sept. 10, with mentalist Craig Karnes at 9 p.m. in the Field House, and the muchanticipated bonfire took place on Friday, Sept. 17, at 7:30 p.m.

## Student Senate to liaison with Board of Trustees

Ashley Gingerella Contributing Writer

Sophomore<br>Eva

Landau knows some student senators, but has no idea about their role on campus.
"All I know is that they go to a lot of meetings, but I don't know what they accomplish for the students at this school," she said.

Landau is not alone. Many Roger Williams University undergraduates don't know what their elected officials do for them.

Most recently, the Senate passed a bill allowing for student representation on the stu-
dent affairs sub-committee of the Board of Trustees. This will allow student government members to be the liaison between the board members and the student body, for the first time in the school's history. RWU's Board of Trustees is the most influential body at this school, whose responsibilities include student affairs, the development of new buildings and parking lots, and tuition increases and decreases. The bill should go into effect at the beginning of this year.
The Student Senate helps students who have
concerns about adminis- on campus. tration policy. This year's president, Adam "Rev" Noska, will meet with President Roy Nirschel, as well as the Dean of Students and other administrators to address student complaints and concerns. Senate is also responsible for distribution of the student activities fee, which is part of each student's tuition bill. The Campus Entertainment Network gets about 49 percent of these funds to help put on programs and events, and the rest of the money is distributed to the remaining clubs and organizations

The student affairs committee also aids in appealing tickets on students' behalf, in coordination with Public Safety Officer Kate Tobin. Students can fill out parking appeal forms in the Student Senate office.

In additon to President Noska, the Senate's officers are: Dan Boyea, Vice President, Elysia Rodriguez, Secretary and Emily Bennett, Treasurer. The Student Senate office and the Senate Chambers are located in the Recreation Center. Meetings are Mondays at $6: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

## President Nirschel: Ready for plastic surgery at 'State of the University' address

Chris Parrish Contributing Writer University President Roy J. Nirschel addressed over 100 faculty and staff in the Recreation Center in his annual "State of the University" speech on Tuesday.
In his address, Nirschel gave insight into significant advancements to the University within the next five years, including a stone fence surrounding the campus, a new entrance, additional playing fields, another expansion of the architecture building, a new parking deck, an improved quad, a new dining commons, a new major academic building, development of the
waterfront and addition- tion." al housing.
"We're going to 'botox' the place," said Nirschel. "We're going to make a few small changes here and there to make it better ... we want an artistic, nifty entrance, not something from 1958 that looks "checkpoint-charlie-ish."
The center of campus, is anticipated to be a pedestrian-friendly area with additional greens areas, walking paths, fountains and trolleys connecting all parts of the campus. The new dining hall, combined with the new academic building and new housing proposals, all add to what Nirschel called "new, quality construc-
attitude. We re taking a
"We're building an good place and making it environment for living, a whole lot better,"

Nirschel witer. important campus statisfics in his address, including: the number of undergraduate students $(3,600)$, law students (630), graduate students (230), recent faculty and staff hires for the year (50), and a 10 percent increase in freshmen retention over the last three years.

Nirschel added that in the last year, 6,200 applications were received for a class of 1,150 , a number that doubles the 1999 applications. In the law school, 1,600 applications were received for a class of 250 .
Several campus-wide


Do you ever need an answer to personal questions? Ever feel like you can't go to your friends and family with these problems? Do you need guidance from an uninvolved third party? Meg and Ash are here to assist you with your private woes. Starting this semester, Meg and Ash will work together to provide the Roger Williams student body with useful advice and solutions. However, before you ask Mcg and Ash, we would like you to meet us.
Mcg is currently double majoring in psychology and joumalism. The information gleaned through these curriculums will allow her to become your personal advice guru. She's been a Mary Kay make-up consultant for over a year and is knowledgeable in all areas of beauty and hygiene. If you have questions regarding fashion, make-up or hair, she's the one to ask!
Ash, a peer mentor, is tackling a double major in marketing and public relations. Her over-the-top-people skills enable her to dish out counsel regarding family, friends, significant others and enemies. If you are having a hard time adjusting to college life, making friends or getting that girl in your LitPhil class. she is the one to ask!
Now that you have been personally mtroduced, write to askmeg ash@hotmail.com or drop off your inquiry in the Hawk's Herald mailbox by campus programs in the Recreation Center. Don't worry, personal information is kept completely confidential.

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improvements were also resources and history, listed during the presi- can't think of a universident's tenure, namely the ty doing more on the class registration global front," he said. process.
"When I arrived, the strategy for registration was to use phone lines and pray the students didn't call. And when they had to come and stand in line at the registrar, we'll just buy them cookies," said Nirschel. "Now the whole process is online."

Nirschel continued the speech by praising the global efforts of the University, including education initiatives that have extended to Europe and the Middle East.
"Given our size, done," he said.

In addition to the school's study-abroad program, Nirschel pointed out that RWU was the first school to give educational aid to students from post-Taliban strongholds.

Despite the positive tone of the speech, Nirschel pointed out there is room for improvement.
"I'm not going to stand up here like I'm on a flight deek and say 'mission accomplished, because our job as educators is never, never

# From Providence, with love 

## "Rude Awakenings"

Chris Villano Contributing Writer

Sol woke up the other morning to the sound of chainsaws and foulmouthed city workers. They were cutting down a pear tree in my backyard, preparing to pave and add extra parking. Now, my "backyard" is about the size of a room in Cedar, and these guys were cutting down a 15 -year-old (at least) tree to make enough space for one car and a moped. It's 11 in the morning and I can't fathom why this is going on, but then again, since P've moved to Providence there have been a lot of things I don't understand.
Every single action my landlord, let's call him "Jeff," chooses to make is simply baffling. When I'm 90, sitting in my rocking chair and smoking a Black \& Mild, I'm going to think about Jeff, and laugh, because he is an idiot.

When we. first moved in, all three bathrooms were missing shower curtains and rods. When we asked Jeff about it, his response was, "Guys, l'll give you five bucks, you can go to WalMart." Had I been there, I would have replied, "Are you kidding me?! How 'bout I sell you a car with no door handles and when you complain about it I'll give you five bucks and say, 'go to AutoZone',
One of the main reasons the seven of us decided to live in this house was because Jeff told us he was going to renovate the attic so three guys could live up there. It's possible this was the only instance where he was true to his word: he dropped the thirty grand and hooked up the attic. But he forgot one little thing: the fire code. Fire codes are a big deal in Rhode Island, particularly since the Station Nightclub fire, and that attic breaks more rules than a freshman with a car on campus. It's a fact that if I walked up there right now and lit a match, the whole house would catch on fire in seconds; I mean, there aren't even
any smoke detectors.
Who's going to tell on Jeff? Not us. We want to live up there, despite the fact that we'd feel safer If we were the Crocodile Hunter's kid. Because seriously, everyday 1 wake up and think to myself, "Is today the day? Did Steve Irwin finally get eaten?"
So on the third day Jeff calls us up, (well, actually he called Will's cell phone because we're cheap college kids who aren't paying Cox for a land line) and tells us we have to move out of the attic and down to the second floor. Now of course, we've already moved closets, dressers, and desks up four flights of stairs when we moved in, as well as our beer pong table (constructed from eight cinder blocks and one giant piece of wood that we went out and bought at Home Depot before 1 even had a bed). And now we have to move it all down because the attic is unlivable. We were, inevitably, livid. We called Jeff so we could get a greater understanding as to why this wasn't brought to our attention sooner. Imagine: seven guys sitting in a row, shirtless, pretending to be serious, but pissed as all hell, because that was us.

Apparently, the woman across the street caused all these problems, by saying she was going to have the city come down and evict us because the attic was unlivable. This was perplexing to us, why would this woman want to get in our business? We're just loud, party-throwing, stay-up-all-night-watching-porn-while-puking-in-a-garbage-can college kids. So I went over to this woman's house to try and smooth things over. She had Austin Powers teeth, and gave the impression she was barely clinging o reality. The weirdest part of our conversation was that it was through a screen door; she wouldn't let me in her house. This was clearly her world - I'm just paying rent.

## Dean

(cont'd. from page 3) Square with 800 students. Transitionally, McMahon called it "bumpy but fascinating... It was a good learning curve, 1 knew every concem they fthe students] had.-
In a steep career move, McMahon left BU and crossed the country to become an assistant, and then associate, dean of students at UCLA. While in California, she got married, had a child and bought a house. For seven years, her life was as regular as any West Coast resident. Then, a family calling had her looking back to New England.
"We had a child and my family was from New Hampshire. It just kind of made sense that we should be closer to them,"

## McMahon

 explains. She packed her bags once again and headed back to the east coast, where she became Dean of Students at Marlboro College.She was hired by a former president of Marlboro, whom she was fond of, and a year after she accepted the position, the president left. Marlboro, in between administration choices and finding themselves in financial difficulties,
McMahon reconsidering her situation. That's when she began explor-


Dean of Students Kathleen McMahon, right, talks to DSL secretary Lori Medeiros. McMahon joins RWU after working in Boston and Los Angeles.
many voices, and Marlboro who was timid of any kind of administration, but here it's like there are no barriers," she explained.

In considering if she would accept the job, McMahon remembers discussing it as a sudden decision. "It was like, are we really just dropping everything we have here [in Vermont] to move to Rhode Island? And we decided yes."
Now at RWU, McMahon is proud to be in charge of day-to-day student affairs. She oversees resident life and housing, judicial affairs and community service and the women's center and commuter center, in addition to participating in the Dean's Diversity Council.

Above other things that originally impressed McMahon, she was "blown away" by the
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"The first is student satisfaction in residences. It is something that has been improving over the last few years and I would like to continue to keep up with those
trends," she said. "Secondly, I want to bring in a more co-curricular environment, create links between academics and the out of the classroom experience."
This "living and learning" technique is already implemented to some degree at RWU by other programs, such as the honors building in Stonewall and the architecture program in Nike. McMahon explains this could be enhanced by adding more livinglearning communities possibly in the areas of business, foreign language and multicultural
where last October a student died by a selfinduced alcohol incident.
"At a school that small, no one is untouched," she said. "I really leamed the need to work with every student in the community. It wasn't a matter of if they were grieving, it was to what level they were grieving."
While she excels in counseling, McMahon is an even better teacher. While at UCLA, her best memory is teaching a course in leadership and service learning.

It was for young people to recognize their citizenship and be a part of societal change... They would go out, develop and implement a plan that would help some part of the community."
The intense class, which McMahon only taught for one term,

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& \text { "If you don't understand that you can go into a community and } \\
& \text { change the way things are," McMahon said. } \\
& \text { "We haven't done our job." }
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ing her options and found the position at RWU.

In the four month gap between her application and a response from RWU, Marlboro hired a new president and McMahon questioned leaving. "When I got the phone call from RWU to interview in February, I really wasn't looking anymore, but I went."

Of course, one trip to Bristol was all it took for McMahon to lose her doubts. Impressed with the competency of the staff and President Nirschel's goals for growth, McMahon was hooked on the friendliness of the students.
"I came from UCLA where there were just so
student leaders who initiate programming, an effort she says she hasn't seen "'to this degree" at any other school.
"I went to the Dashboard concert and the entire stage crew was students!" She said incredulously. "They put the whole thing together. The professionalism and the sense of pride these students take in their work is just amazing."
McMahon has attended her first Senate meeting, met with the MSU and grows more excited by the day to learri about the lives of all her new students.
Moving over the summer gave McMahon three months to observe the mechanics of RWU. She already has goals
studies. She said these could be improved by greater faculty involvement and the creation of faculty incentives to encourage their involvement.


Lady Hawks midfielder Ashley Aldrich battles a RIC striker. The Lady Hawks prevailed 4-3 in overtime.

## Lady Hawks defeat UNE, crowned Invite champions

Kellie Corcoran Contributing Writer
The Roger Williams University women's volleyball team was determined not to let history repeat itself at the annual Invite Tournament, that took place on September 11. A year ago, they were defeated $3-2$ by the University of New England (UNE) in the final round of the championship. This year, things went differently for the talented Hawks.
RWU easily beat Babson College and Wentworth Institute of Technology in quick 3-0 matches. Then they met UNE in the final round. With the help of Tessa O'Keefe, a senior with great serving skills, the Hawks pulled out to an early lead and never looked back. The constant barrage of spikes by outside Amy Maurer, freshman, and outside hitter Erin Carolan, junior, were difficult to return, and precision blocking by middle hitter Jess West, senior, helped the team secure the first game win.
Fueled by a boisterous crowd, the Hawks began the second game strong. Maurer continued the shower of spikes with assists by setter Kristen Travis. Travis, a senior, ended the gaine with 42 total assists. UNE began closing in on RWU after consecutive ace serves by their outside hitter Katharine Mack, and they were able to the tie the score at 23. However, RWU continued to dominate the game, and set up perfect sets, that UNE was
unable to return.
In game three, UNE took the lead for the first time. Senior Diana Pawul provided RWU with several perfect kills, and the score was tied at 10. Libero Ashley O'Keeffe, sophomore, had a dynamic performance, receiving virtually every ball sent her way. Unfortunately. the Hawks could not hold on and UNE pulled away, winning $30-21$.
When game four began it was evident that the Hawks regrouped and were ready to win. Maurer and West served a string of perfect balls over the net, and RWU took the lead again. UNE fought to catch up, but to no avail. RWU won 30 25 and emerged as the Invite champion. Kristin Travis and Jess West were chosen for the AllTournament team, while the MVP award went to Ashicy O'Keeffe.
"We're definitely off to the best start I've had


Above, Erin Carolan (1), Kristin Travis (7), Tessa O'Keefe (5) and Ashley O'Keeffe (6) watch as Amy Maurer (4) killed a serve from the opposing team. The volleyball team has started their season with a record eight wins.

## Hawks win in overtime, again

Tim Mannion
Sports Editor
The Roger Williams women's soccer team survived another overtime scare, just three days after a double-overtime win against Framingham State. Ousting the Rhode Island College (RIC) Anchorwomen 4-3, senior Emily Seelig scored the goal for the second game in a row four minutes into overtime.
The game, which was played in front of a large crowd at Bayside field, went back and forth as each team made runs toward victory.
The Lady Hawks struck early in the first half when freshman Mary DaCunha ripped a shot, from the foot of fellow freshman Caitlin Mayo, just outside the
goalie box and over the made a late run. After RIC keeper. A few min- two goals within two utes later Mayo made the score 2-0 with her own loft shot over the Anchorwomen defense.
The Lady Hawks looked very calm as their defense tightened and embraced the two-goal lead. Their skills were disciplined, moving the ball to trap the Anchorwomen offsides on several occasions.
As the second half ensued, the Hawks held tightly to their 2-1 lead. The defense gave up many opportunities, but that is as far as RIC got. Hawks keeper, junior Meghan Banville, played well and kept the team ahead for most of the game.

Sophomore Brittany Naylor tacked on a goal to put RWU up 3-1 in the second half, but RIC
minutes of each other, the final whistle sent the game into overtime.

The Hawks, devastated by blowing a twogoal lead, came out flat in overtime. They were out-played by the Anchorwomen, luckily RIC squandered each attempt.
The Lady Hawks were finally able to move up the field after a goal kick, and Mayo found herself a hole in the RIC defense where she slipped a pass to Seelig for the game winner.
The Lady Hawks will remain undefeated for another day.
They will ride the momentum into a game against the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth on Thursday. September 9.

## Hawks suffer first loss of season as they fall to UMass-Dartmouth, 5-1

Four first-half tallies propelled the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth to victory over Roger Williams University in women's soccer action on September 9. Kelly Fitts found the net twice and assisted on a third goal, as the Corsairs handed the Hawks their first loss of the season, 5-1.
Fitts got things going
for UMass-Dartmouth in the Corsairs, with Fitts the ninth minute, when she took a pass from Maura Armstrong andput it past Hawks goalic Meghan Banville for the Corsairs first score. Four minutes later. Pitts found Armstrong for another goal, and the Corsairs cruised from there. Lindsey Smith and Andrea Mota added two first-half goals for netting her second score early in the second half. -Leah Beidler scored the lone RWU goal. Banville, who faced 23 UMass-Dartmouth shots, stopped 10 in defeat, while Corsairs keeper Amanda Tavares recorded six saves in her team's season-opening victory.

## Cross country teams impress at match, women's tennis fares well

Women's tennis start- against Colby-Sawyer at ed the season well, with $1: 00$ p.m.

The RWU men and women's cross country teams finished in first and third, respectively at the Smith College Invitational on September 11.

The top five finishers for the men were James Dugan, Dave Strumski,

Eric Van Tassel, Jon Defarias and James Pingree; while Allison Bellanger, Emily Labnon, Caroline Gates, Katie Parise and Annie Durfee rounded out the top five for the women. The first RWU Invitational will be held Saturday, October 2 at 11:30 a.m.

## CCCAWARDS

Freshman Amy Maufer (Madbury, NH) and sophomore Ashiey O'Keeffe (Griswold, CT) have been honored by the Commonwealth Coast Conference as Co-Rookie of the Week and Libero of the Week, respectively, for the week ending Scpiember 12, 2004.
Maurer carned Co-Rookie of the Week honors through leading the Hawks in kills per game with 2.81, as the Hawks have gotten off to the best start in the history of the program at 8 -1

Jessica West (Rhinebeek, NY) was named to the CCC Honor Roll for the week after being named to the All-Tournament Team at the RWU Invite,

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