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THE HAWK'S HERALD

Papitto controversy lingers

Phil Devitt
News Editor

The university announced the appointment of 13 new members to the Board of Trustees Thursday, nearly two months after former board chairman Ralph Papitto resigned amid allegations he spoke a racial slur at a May meeting.

The new trustees include six women, four international members, four people of color and two alumni, according to Richard Bready, the chairman of the board. They, along with seven returning trustees, bring the board's membership to 20, the highest number the board has seen in years, President Roy J. Nirschel said.

The changes come after months of mounting pressure on the university to diversify the board, which for years was in violation of its own bylaws and riddled with conflicts of interest, according to the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC).

"We have quite a few women of color, people with different global backgrounds, and that's really reflective of the direction the university is moving in," Nirschel said. "It had always been my hope that the board would become more broad, more diverse."

Arlene Violet, former Rhode Island Attorney General, Rodney Butler, treasurer of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation and Hala Taweel, president of the University of the Middle East Project, were among those listed as new trustees in a

press release issued by the university.

The board has been chaired since Papitto's July resignation by Richard Bready, CEO of Nortek, Inc., a company Papitto founded in 1967.

A March 23 "Notice of Concern" issued to the university by NEASC accused the board of violating regulations on term limits, and criticized its lack of diversity. Of the 16 trustees on the former board, 14 were white men and two were women.

"I don't believe the board paid as much attention to its bylaws as it should have and it was really out of sync with the rest of the university, which has been seeing growth and incredible progress," Nirschel said, adding that the board's bylaws have since been rewritten by former State Supreme Court Justice Robert Flanders, an independent party.

June Speakman, president of the Faculty Senate, said she hopes the new board will be more accessible and receptive to students and staff under Bready's chairmanship.

"There was no relationship (with the previous board). In 12 years at the university, I never met Mr. Papitto or any other board members."

Papitto allegedly uttered a racial slur at a May 2 board meeting while discussing the NEASC report.

"They want us to add more poor kids and they want us to add more, well, I can't call them n-----," Papitto was quoted as saying by former trustee

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Elizabeth Correa

Ralph Papitto, former chairman of the Board of Trustees, requested that his name be removed from the School of Law in July.

Programs aim to increase diversity

Courtney Nugent
Features Editor

A scholarship for white students only, the phrase 'nappy headed' used by two WQRI DJs, and the former Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Ralph Papitto, using a racial slur at a board meeting which occurred around the time that Papitto resigned.

Issues surrounding race at Roger Williams University have become part of the campus conversation, especially since Papitto's resignation from the Board of Trustees. Upon hearing of Papitto's resignation, many students geared up for more backlash regarding race towards the campus.

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March 23	Former Chairman Ralph Papitto utters racial slur while discussing NEASC report at meeting.	May 9	Papitto resigns, claiming he wants to spend more time with family.	July 18	13 new members elected to Board of Trustees.
May 2	NEASC issues "notice of Concern" criticizing the Board of Trustees' lack of diversity.	July 9	Three trustees call for Papitto's resignation. Later they are removed from the board.	Aug. 30	Papitto requests his name be removed from the law school amid pressure from students.

Public Safety Director steps in, encourages student input

Michael Hurley
Managing Editor

When former Roger Williams University Public Safety Director Brendan Doherty accepted the position of superintendent of the Rhode Island State Police in April, he left a large pair of law-enforcing boots to be filled in the offices of North Campus. The vacant director position was filled by a 28-year veteran of law enforcement, J. David Smith, who most recently served as chief of police in Narragansett, R.I.

"This isn't a job," Smith said of his new position. "This is a very unique opportunity to be a part of the growth of the university."

Since taking over in July, Smith said he made it his mission to speak

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Just add water



Elizabeth Correa

A new main entrance was built this summer featuring a public safety hut and a reflecting pool to improve traffic flow and safety for pedestrians in the area. The guard-house allows a lane for visitors in need of information and a lane for thru traffic.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Editor:

I'm writing this letter in support of the President of Roger Williams University, Dr. Roy Nirschel. When a negative event occurs on campus there is an instant media frenzy, while a good deed often goes unnoticed or unacknowledged. Dr. Nirschel is a versatile president as well as a hands-on member of the university community, who continually shows his care and concern for students, faculty and staff.

As a steady fixture on campus, he stands out in his accessibility. This is not a president that you will find confined to his office, in his board meetings, or at executive luncheons. Rather, this is a man who connects with and reaches out to all levels of the university community, from the janitors, to the grounds keepers, to the professors.

It is not uncommon to see him personally visit dorms, take countless trips to the athletic fields and prioritize such things as campus beautification to ensure the comfort and safety of students, faculty and staff. As a dedicated university staff-person of 23 years, I would like to take this opportunity to commend his down-to-earth leadership and commitment to making Roger Williams a first rate university.

Sincerely,
Mr. Richard Lebeau

RWU'S WTF OF THE WEEK



Last year when we arrived on campus, we were kind of excited to check out the "New Academic Building." A year later, we're pondering what exactly is "new" about this building. Isn't it just an old student union with some new rugs and dry wall? For that matter, why do we refer to the first and second floors by different names? From now on, we propose the building shall be referred to only as "Ye Olde Student Union."

If you have a WTF of the Week, e-mail us at hawksherald@gmail.com.

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Professor of the semester a casualty of change

Theodore Applebaum
Herald Staff

Last semester, Roger Williams University announced that students had voted Moskowitz "professor of the semester." Less than two weeks later, he cleared out his desk, unsure if he would be returning this fall. He is currently in the final stages of arbitration.

Moskowitz is a man swept up in a wave of shifting expectations of professors and students alike as the school attempts find their niche in the competitive universe of higher education.

At the end of the 2005-2006 academic year, following a comprehensive seven year evaluation period, Moskowitz was denied tenure.

With tenure, Moskowitz would have been granted a job for the future but without it, he was given a year to find one elsewhere.

Tenure allows professors a leeway in how they teach their subject and it grants them the comfort of a job for life as long as their performance meets the expectations of their peers. It is awarded based on a faculty member's past achievements.

"It is a kind of award that you get in almost no other place," Associate Provost Jeffrey Martin said. "It's a huge investment by the institution, and the institution only wants to invest in its best bets in all

aspects."

The current faculty contract's requirements for tenure, in effect since 2004, place an emphasis on teaching with a secondary interest in scholarship. A professor must also succeed in, among other areas, the capacities of advisement and service to the university.

"The main issue regarding the decision [to deny Moskowitz tenure] had to do with inadequate scholarship," Faculty Union president Mel Topf said, who does not believe that "a good teacher or faculty member, good in all respects, should be treated badly just for that reason."

Including Moskowitz, there are currently five RWU faculty members in arbitration, four regarding denials of promotion.

One of these cases involves the Political Science chair June Speakman, who said that "in every case we were denied for insufficient scholarly output."

The administration feels professional scholarship is a necessity for a growing and improving university.

"We think of universities as communities of scholars," Martin said. "Our job is not simply to receive knowledge and pass it on, but to analyze it ourselves, to add to it."

According to Martin, this is especially true in light of an improving student body. He says admission to RWU is be-

coming more and more selective every year.

"We all like the idea that this is now a school that attracts better students," Martin said. "That level of student demands a higher level of engagement."

While the administration embraces the idea of engaged students who require an informed, scholarship-driven education, they dispute the perception that an emphasis on research is taking over from teaching.

"The alarmists say we've gone from being this teaching institution to being this research institution. They say teaching is no longer important. That is the sky is falling point of view, [they think] 'if I polarize it far enough I can demonize it,'" Martin said.

Instead, Martin says that scholarship has long been a part of faculty life. "The contract has never just said we are simply a teaching institution, that's all you need to do. There are always other elements"

While Speakman agrees that scholarship has become of paramount interest to the administration, she says this emphasis is reflective of recent changes that have occurred since she was hired in 1995.

In the last six years RWU has changed provosts, deans and has a new president in Roy Nirschel, who she says has not made it clear what the uni-

versity is looking for from their faculty.

"He says he doesn't believe in one size fits all. He doesn't believe that every single faculty member should do exactly the same amount of articles and service on committees, the same kind of teaching models, that there's more than one way to excel here as a faculty member."

This lack of clarity is not helped by a contract that Speakman considers "vague," though she was admittedly one of its designers. "The terms 'excellence in teaching' are very broad and, yes, the faculty has interpreted them one way and the administration has interpreted them differently."

According to Speakman, in recent years as the balancing of these requirements has seemed to shift towards scholarship, it has become increasingly difficult for the faculty to maintain a high level of effectiveness in all their duties. Speakman feels as long as the current system remains the same, fulfilling those requirements will continue to be difficult.

Under the current contract, which will expire in 2008, faculty members are required to teach three to four classes a semester.

"In order for us to do this increased scholarship we need less teaching time," Speakman said "[Moskowitz] absolutely capable of being a good

scholar it's just that he hasn't had the time in my view."

Junior Josh Goldfarb first met Moskowitz when Goldfarb was standing in the political science department with his father, feeling lost. It was during his orientation and he was having difficulty creating his schedule for the upcoming school year.

"A guy approached me and said, 'hi my name is Dave, how can I help you?' He fixed my schedule, even though I wasn't even a student yet. That just shows his willingness to help anyone that has a problem."

When it comes to Moskowitz's courses, his student's say he is the kind of teacher that keeps them coming back for more.

According to Dee DeQuattro, his teaching style is unique and engaging.

"He always plays devil's advocate which gets him in a lot of trouble," DeQuattro said, referring to Moskowitz's style of inciting friendly debate.

It is not just students who have expressed their wish that Moskowitz remain at RWU. Last spring, he was elected by his peers to the Faculty Senate, a sign of his continued popularity among faculty members.

"I would like to see Dr. Moskowitz continue as my colleague," Speakman said. "Anytime a faculty member is denied tenure [the faculty] get nervous."

Common Reading Essay Contest

The Common Reading Committee invites full-time RWU undergraduate students to submit essays for the 2007 Common Reading Competition, based on Ishmael Beah's memoir, *A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier*.

What messages does *A Long Way Gone* have for students raised in a stable democracy where most citizens have adequate support, resources and educational systems available?

All submissions should adhere to the following guidelines:

Essays must be double-space typed on standard typing paper with pages numbered.

Pages should be paper-clipped or stapled.

A cover page providing the essay's title and the student's RWU identification number should be attached to each submission. The student's name should not appear on the cover page or any other page of the manuscript.

Hard copies of essays must be submitted by Thursday, September 20, 2007, at 5:00 p.m. to Prof. James Tackach, CAS 137.

Essays should be 1,000 words or fewer in length and should respond to the following question:

Essays will be judged on both the quality of their content and the effectiveness of their style.

1st Prize:
\$150 in UniCard dollars

Invitation to special dinner with Mr. Beah on October 4

Photograph with Mr. Beah

Author-signed copy of *A Long Way Gone*

2nd Prize:
\$75 in UniCard dollars

Invitation to special dinner with Mr. Beah on October 4

Photograph with Mr. Beah

3rd Prize:
\$25 in UniCard dollars

Reserved seating at Mr. Beah's lecture on October 4

The prize winners will be notified by RWU e-mail and announced to the RWU community on Monday, October 2, 2007. The decisions of the judging committee shall be final. The committee reserves the right to award no prizes in any category.

A sitdown with Saves the Day and Black Violin

Courtney Nugent
Features Editor

On Sunday, September 2nd, over 1,000 Roger Williams University students flooded Paolino field for a barbeque and to catch performances of Black Violin and Saves the Day, CEN's fall concert. The *Hawk's Herald* was able to chat with both bands and get the...

30 Second Scoop with Saves the Day
Hawk's Herald: When did you meet and form as a band?

Saves The Day: It's been a long and winding road of creation and destruction.

HH: Can you offer a piece of advice for freshmen who are making the transition into college life?

STD: Don't be afraid to do what you like...and make sure you do *all* your reading.

HH: Guitar Hero or Dance Dance Revolution?

STD: Guitar Hero, hands down. There is no stopping us when it comes to that game.

HH: Saves the Day...STD, that's a nice acronym. Did you guys think about that when you were naming the band?

STD: Actually, that's the only reason we named the band Saves the Day (laughs). In all honesty, we never thought about that until the first time we got road cases (for our instruments). We had a fear of theft and labeled all of our cases with STD.

HH: In the upcoming 2008 elections, will you vote Democrat or Republican?

STD: We'll vote for whoever's honest. Politics are really just a scam; no one tells the truth anymore.

HH: "Knocked Up" or "Superbad?"

STD: We haven't had the opportunity to see Superbad yet but from what we hear, it's hilarious so don't ruin it for us! "Knocked Up" was great, especially when he saved the bong instead of his girl friend.

HH: WQRI and IRHA are sponsoring the second

annual '80s dance next Saturday. What was your favorite trend in the '80s?

Bassist Manny Carrero: I had this sick pink cut off vest. It was so Miami Vice.

Guitarist/Vocalist Dave Soloway: I had a pair of Jams- these Hawaiian print shorts that I made my mom buy me at JCPenney's.

Carrero: I had a pair of those, too! I'd wear them with those painter's caps with the flaps in the back. You better watch out for me because I'm guna bring that style back!

30 Second Scoop with Black Violin

HH: How did you meet?

Wil-B: We played around with classical stuff in middle and high school in Miami where we met. We were both into classical music for years and we began messing around with hip-hop and rap on the radio.

HH: Where did the idea of Black Violin, combining classical and hip-hop music, come from?

Wil-B: After KeV Marcus and I graduated from college, we came back together and began experimenting in clubs. We were really able to work any crowd and realized we had something, so we sent a tape to Apollo. Two years later we played

our toughest crowd but had a great response. We ended up being the 2005 Apollo Legend Champions and we pursued our opportunities further.

HH: Who are some of your favorite artists you have worked with?

Wil-B: That's hard; we love working with any artist. We were on tour with Linkin Park and Fort Minor. Opening for acts like Kayne West and Luda have been amazing, too. We have even performed with Alicia Keys at the Billboard Awards.

HH: What do you want your fans to see in Black Violin?

Wil-B: That we are a clean, intelligent group who truly captures the essence of classical and hip-hop music.

HH: Do you have any advice for freshmen as they transition to college?

Wil-B: Don't procrastinate. If you have no class on the weekends, finish everything on Friday because you won't do it on Sunday after a weekend of partying. You will want to rest.



Saves the Day performs at the outdoor Fall Concert on September 2.

Courtney Nugent

BOARD: New trustees elected

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Barbara Roberts.

The remarks prompted Roberts, along with trustees Sally Lapidés and Joseph Caramadre, to demand his resignation.

The three trustees were ousted from the board not long after, they claimed, for speaking out against the former chairman.

Papitto, 80, resigned from the board July 9 after nearly 40 years with the university, 18 as chairman, claiming he wanted to spend more time with his family.

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee sent a letter to Bready in July, urging him to be upfront with the faculty about the continued tenure of several trustees, "given their reported tolerance of Mr. Papitto's conduct."

The letter also asked Bready for an explanation regarding the removal of Roberts, Lapidés and Caramadre.

Wednesday, the Faculty Senate received a response from Bready, but Speakman said he included little information on changes in board membership.

"The Board of Trustees and I joined President Nirschel in condemning the comments of the former chairman of the board," Bready said in his statement, supplied to the Herald by Speakman.

"I am committed to working with

the university on its important agenda. ... I know the importance of having a strong and functional board to help the administration, faculty, students and staff achieve their full potential."

Speakman said the removal of the board members remains unclear to her, but she does not expect them to be reappointed.

Nirschel had no comment on the status of the three ousted trustees, but said the board planned to meet in October to discuss the nominating process.

Law student Matt Jerzyk led the charge in July to remove Papitto's name from the School of Law, which Papitto founded in 1993. He said while the new board is better for the university, there still is room for improvement.

"One of my lingering concerns is that there is only one person of color on the new board who resides in Rhode Island. For a board who has had problems of race and diversity, I would hope that more local people of color who have experience in governance, fundraising and ethics are added to the board."

Jerzyk said he believes the board was knowingly in violation of its by-laws for "a long, long time" and blasted other trustees for not speaking out against Papitto when Roberts, Lapidés and Caramadre demanded his resignation.

Roberts claimed Papitto threatened her with a lawsuit if she went public with his comments.

"There were only three members of this infected board who were willing to stand up against the rampant racism, sexism, bigotry and conflicts of interest," Jerzyk said. "These three people stood up against threats, intimidation and the prospects of lawsuits against them. The bottom line is that they did what was right."

Papitto asked the board to remove his name from the law school July 18 amid pressure from students.

In a talk radio interview just days after his comments were made public, Papitto said the slur "just slipped out," claiming he first heard it in a rap song.

"I apologized for that," Papitto said on-air. "What else can I do? Kill myself?"

Nirschel said Papitto does not hold chairman emeritus status, making him ineligible to attend future board meetings, and he is no longer affiliated with the university in any way.

He declined to comment further on Papitto, claiming he did not want to say anything he believed "could be damaging to the university."

The Board of Trustees oversees the university's finances and legal responsibilities. The board meets three or four times a year, Nirschel said.

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The following people were elected to the Board of Trustees on Aug. 30.

- **Timothy E. Baxter:** Executive Vice President of Sales & Marketing, Samsung Electronics America
- **Rodney A. Butler:** Tribal Council Treasurer, Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation
- **Luis F. Gomez:** President, Promarisco, S.A.
- **Denise M. Jenkins:** Philanthropy Officer, Rhode Island Foundation
- **Karen Johnson:** General Partner, Dunlop Investments, Hedge Fund
- **Jerrold L. Lavine:** President, The Freeman Group
- **Suzanne Magaziner:** Civic Leader and Philanthropist
- **Sami Nacaroglu:** President, Bayraktar Holding
- **Helen Ostrowski:** CEO, Porter Novelli International
- **Marc Spiegel:** President & CEO, Academic Centers Abroad, LLC
- **Walter R. Stone, Esq.:** Senior Partner, Adler, Pollock & Sheehan
- **Hala Taweel:** President, University of the Middle East Project
- **Arlene Violet, Esq.:** Former Rhode Island Attorney General

Computers consolidated in learning commons

Florentine Lehar
Herald Staff

Take a deep breath, students may have lost the use of the Gabelli School of Business computer labs, but they did not lose free printing.

However, the lack of a good marketing strategy to promote the new Learning Commons in the first level of the University Library left students confused.

Computers from the public computer lab in the School of Business, where most students went in the past for computer use and free printing were removed and will be placed in the Learning Commons.

Unaware that the Learning Commons was not finished, students were frustrated by the new layout and the lack of computers. Students were confused about where to print and about whether printing would be free or not.

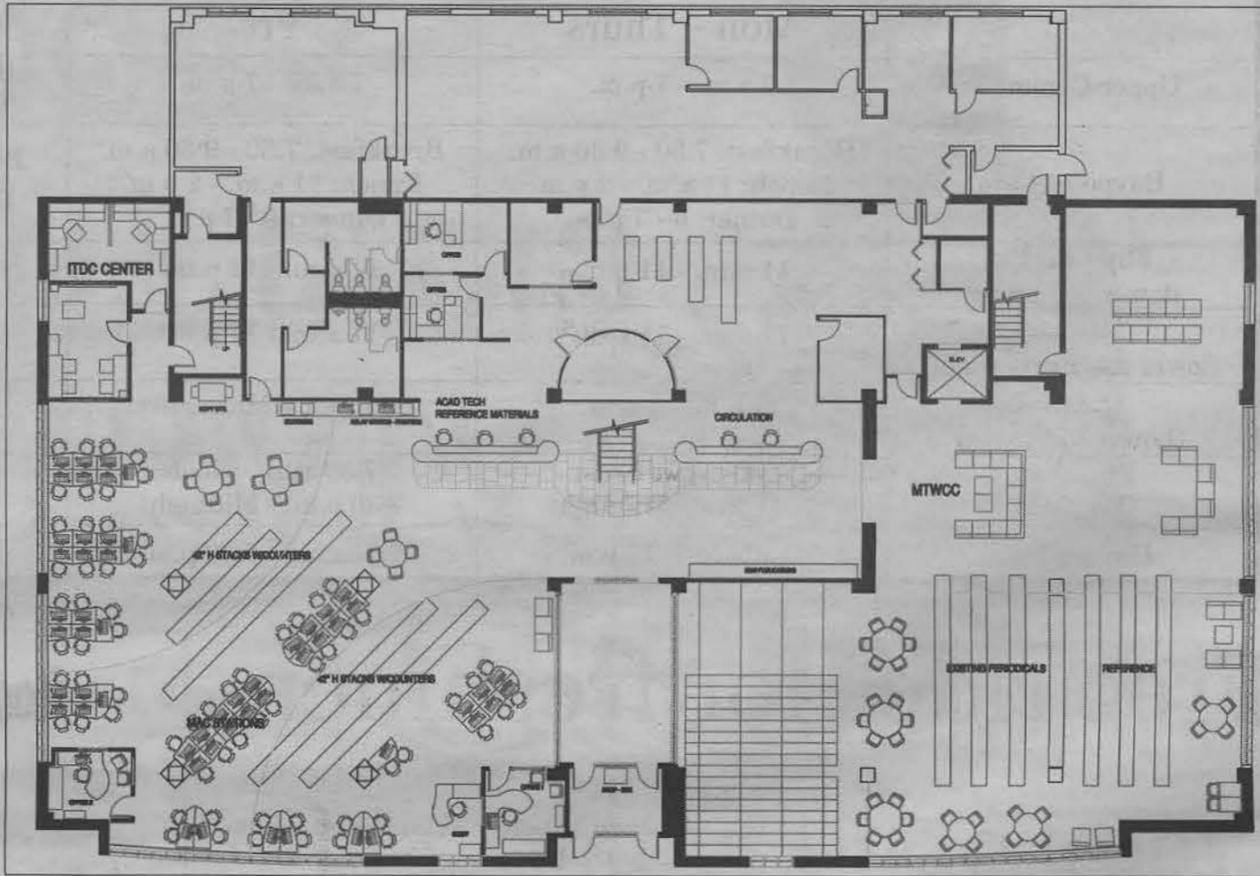
"When I heard about the new Learning Commons, I expected to see a bunch of computers," junior Sharon Zemina said. "But it looks like the same amount [of computers] that was in the library before."

The furniture needed to hold all of the library computers, as well as those from the School of Business, have not been put into place yet. Dean of University Library Services, Peter Deekle, said that the first floor is expected to be completed by the end of September.

According to Associate Director of Academic Technology Services, Shawn Platt, when the new furniture is added, the University Library will hold about 70 computers, with about 48 of those being on the first floor of the library.

There will be almost twice as many computers in the Learning Commons as there are now, and there will also be about 10 Macintosh computers.

Students will be able to continue printing for free, although policies



(Above) The layout of the new learning commons to be located on the first floor of the library.

will change. As soon as the workstation is set up, students will have to go there after selecting a document to print, and will then have to release the job so that it will print.

"This will hopefully make printing easier, because students will not have to fish for their [print] job on a table," Platt said.

The workstation will also include a color printer and two scanners, one for a Macintosh and one for a PC.

Information Resources Librarian, Susan McMullen, explains that now students can accomplish all their needs in one place.

"Students can start their research, write it, and do a multimedia presentation," McMullen said. "From inception to completion is what I like

to say."

Deekle said that the concept for the Learning Commons was initiated after the spring of 2004, when a national survey of students (more than 800 responses) and faculty was conducted about their satisfaction with library facilities, resources and services.

The new library layout conception has received national and international recognition, most recently from the Spanish Library Association. McMullen's spring 2007 sabbatical took her to Library Learning Commons sites all over the country, and her study of best models prompted the attention of the SLA. She will be talking about the Roger Williams University Learning Com-

mons in Madrid this fall.

"We went further than we anticipated," Deekle said.

Along with the computers in the library, students are also able to use the computer labs in the Gabelli School of Business when they are not in use by a class.

There are Macintosh computers located in the North Classrooms and in the Architecture lab.

Both reference and technological help is available at the information desk in the University Library. When the library becomes extremely busy around exam time, the library instructional classroom, which also holds computers, will most likely be opened for student use.

DIVERSITY: Striving for inclusive excellence

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"My first reaction was, 'Here we go again,'" senior Daniel Ruth, co-president of the Multicultural Student Union, said. "Back to when the College Republicans were pulling their stunts, it truly tarnished our university and made a lot of people rethink their reason for being at RWU. I feel like this scandal did the same exact thing for the incoming freshmen."

Sophomore Jerrel Burgo agreed.

"I was shocked that a person who puts a lot of their time and money into a university that is about 'Learning to Bridge the World' would use such language."

Many students and faculty alike remain unaware of the initiatives put in place to diversify the campus even before the incidents surrounding Chairman Papitto's resignation.

"I hope people don't think we are doing all this diversity

stuff solely because of what happened," Dean of Enrollment Management Jason Pina said.

The changes Pina alludes to are those, some new and some from previous years, that different departments on campus are working in order to create a culture change on campus. Overall, there are five specific areas, ranging from the curriculum to community outreach and partnership, which diversity is being assessed under.

One change, the idea of inclusive excellence which was introduced in spring of 2006, involves building a model that will not only bring more diverse students to campus but it will also guarantee great success among these students.

"[One of] the question we want to ask is, 'do students of color feel comfortable with the climate of the school,'" Pina said. "[Also,] we want to guarantee all students have

the opportunity to do things such as study abroad and take on leadership positions, like RAs, without worrying about the cost or losing their work study awards."

Inclusive excellence not only encompasses the idea of fully including students of different races, religions, economic backgrounds and genders, but also students with disabilities.

The Intercultural Leadership Award (ILA), another initiative at RWU developed last year, identifies unique students through the admissions process.

"There are students who are able to excel in high school under a variety of difficult challenges presented to them in life," Pina said. "What do you think these students can do on a campus with a wide array of support systems?"

The 12 ILA recipients this fall are held to high standards.

"These students are expected to graduate with a 3.5 G.P.A. and also be seen as student leaders on campus. They will add to the fabric and academic conversations of RWU," Pina said.

Other initiatives, such as POSSE and Venture's Scholars, help recruit and facilitate minority students to attend college.

Along with initiatives to attract students of different backgrounds to the campus, faculty and administrators are also working on diversifying the curriculum taught at RWU.

"The fact that the questions of diversity on campus is raised means we still have work to do," Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Laura de Abruna said. "There are a group of people among the faculty who are interested in adding to the curriculum to make it more diverse."

Some of these potential

area studies, found at other colleges and universities across the country include African American studies, Women's studies, Asian American studies and Latino studies.

"All of the curriculum initiatives come from the faculty," de Abruna said. "Ultimately it is their decision if we will have them."

Overall, one of the university's hopes is to spread awareness of the initiatives in the works.

"Many people are aware of our global initiatives, such as our efforts to educate Afghani women and bringing Iraqi folk to campus, but they may be less aware of our diversity efforts, and it depends on who you ask," Dean of Student Kathleen McMahon said. "It is important to not only educate the entire student body and say that we are changing, but also to hold ourselves accountable for the changes we are making."

DINING COMMON HOURSNESSISH

	Mon - Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Upper Commons	7 a.m. - 7 p.m.	7 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Brunch: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dinner: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.	Brunch: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dinner: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Baypoint Cafe	Breakfast: 7:30 - 9:30 a.m. Lunch: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dinner: 5 - 7 p.m.	Breakfast: 7:30 - 9:30 a.m. Lunch: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dinner: 5 - 7 p.m.	Brunch: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dinner: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.	Brunch: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dinner: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Flip / Pi=Pie (lower commons)	11 a.m. - 11 p.m.	11 a.m. - 11 p.m.	1 - 11 p.m.	1 - 11 p.m.
Tsunami (lower commons sushi)	11 a.m. - 11 p.m.	11 a.m. - 11 p.m.	Not available	Not available
Quiznos (Lower commons)	11 a.m. - 1 a.m.	11 a.m. - Midnight	1 p.m. - Midnight	1 p.m. - Midnight
Pura Vida Old Union	7:30 a.m. - Noon 7:30 p.m. - Midnight	7:30 a.m. - Noon 7:30 p.m. - Midnight	7:30 p.m. - Midnight	7:30 p.m. - Midnight
Hawk's Nest	7:30 a.m. - 11 p.m.	7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.	10 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.	10 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Free rides for freshmen

Sarah Cournoyer
Editor

Freshmen will no longer need to fish around in their wallets for quarters to pay the RIPTA bus fare because Roger Williams has purchased a program that will allow them to ride for free.

As of September 7, the university will distribute RIPTA swipe passes to the entire freshmen class, allowing them free, unlimited rides.

According to Vice President John King, students expressed interest in the past for free RIPTA passes. This year, the university got involved because RIPTA changed over to swipe cards for students. They will charge the university for actual use of the card instead of a projected number.

"We want to encourage freshmen to get out of their dorms, especially because of the large number of forced triples," King said. "We also want students to be able to take advantage of the cultural and dining opportunities in Newport and Providence."

According to King, a total pass program, which would allow all students to ride for free, would cost the institution over \$300,000 dollars. The projected number for only freshmen students is \$75,000

dollars.

However, in order to encourage students to use public transportation, fifteen-ride RIPTA swipe passes will be available to upperclassmen for purchase. Because Student Affairs and Student Senate will subsidize the cost of the swipe passes, they will be available for 10 dollars to students instead of 20 dollars.

"We also want to promote environment sustainability," King said.

According to King, students need to be patient with RIPTA. They will not be used to the high volume of riders from RWU.

"Two years ago, we were not involved in a program with RIPTA, so we were not a high priority," King said. "With both of our programs going on, we have a stronger relationship."

Freshmen will receive an e-mail on how to pick up their bus swipe pass.



Roger Williams University

Learning to Bridge the World

- Office of Admission/Visitors Center
- Student Union (Bookstore, Dining Hall, Snack Bar, Global and International Center and Post Cafe)
- Maple Hall (Student Residence, Intercultural Center)
- Cedar Hall (Student Residence)
- Willow Hall (Student Residence)
- Center for Student Development (Dean of Students, Department of Residence Life and Housing, Career Center, Orientation, Health Services, Campus Ministries, Center for Counseling and Student Development)
- Fine Arts Building (Art studios)
- FCAS South Hall (Lecture Hall)
- Feinstein College of Arts and Sciences (FCAS and School of Justice Studies)
- School of Engineering, Computer Science and Construction Management
- Gabelli School of Business (also houses Academic Computing and Financial Services Laboratory)
- Main Library (also houses Center for Academic Development and School of Education (2nd floor))



Jordan Viola
Senior

"Memorize the shuttle schedule."

Brian Leduc
Sophomore

"Try something new."



Cassie Forcello
Senior

"Manage your time carefully. There's a lot of free time and you can easily fall behind in classes."



Chris O'Brien
Director of Retention

"Don't decline help. There are many resources out there looking to be of assistance."



Mike Junco

"Don't decline help. There are many resources out there looking to be of assistance."



Emily Peterson
Senior

"Don't go to Bayside dressed in mini-skirts and heels with a backpack of beer hoping to get invited into parties."

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Campus Lingo from CAD-WQRI

CAD: Center for Academic Development, located on the second floor of the library. It offers free tutoring for all students and help for those with identified learning disabilities.

CAS: College of Arts and Sciences, also known as FCAS Feinstein College of Arts and Sciences.

CEN: Campus Entertainment Network

CORE: COREs are required classes such as Lit/Phil and Aesthetics. These should not be confused with the CORE concentration: a series of five classes one elects to take outside of their major. Also, there is the CORE (Coordinator of Residence Education) staff member who lives in each residence hall.

CSD: Center for Student Development which houses the Career Center, Health Services, Student Affairs, and Student Life (and a Bank of America ATM).

D'Angelo Commons: Space between the library and the business school.

FYS: First Year Seminar

Hawk Dollars: Money put on the unicard from a meal plan or the registrar to be used at various food places on campus and in the Bristol area.

ICC: Inter-class council

IRHA: Inter-Residence Hall Association

MNS: Marine and Natural Sciences Building

MSU: Multicultural Student Union, located in the Intercultural Center at the end of Maple 1.

NAB: New Academic Building located in the downstairs of the Old Union, also home to the Service Learning offices and the Center for Global and International Programs.

Old Union: Where the cafeteria used to be located, now housing the Hawk's Hangout and the Bayroom Conference room.

Paolino Field: The field behind the Rec. Center.

Quad: The grassy area between the Commons and the architecture building.

SPL: Student Programs and Leadership offices located in the Rec Center

Student Advocate (SA): Upper classmen who peer mentor the entire freshmen class

Team C.A.R.E.: Made up of the RAs (residence assistants), HAWEs (Health and Wellness Educators) and PEERs (Peer Educators with Expertise in Referrals).

WQRI: The campus radio station (88.3 fm)

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Jonathan Corey
Junior



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Intercultural Center welcomes new staff

Kelleigh Welch
Assistant Features Editor

With the start of a new year, students at Roger Williams University are not the only people adjusting to the school. At the University's Intercultural Center, change is in the air.

The main adjustments for frequent visitors to the Intercultural Center are the new staff. Among these new faces are Ande Diaz, replacing Jason Pina as Director of the Intercultural Center and Associate Dean of Students. Also, Don Mays and Maria Adkins join Diaz as the new Assistant Directors of the Center.

"I work primarily with the international students and spiritual life programming," Adkins said. "With my background in immigration and student activities, I am very excited to bring new activities to the University and to work with the international students on campus and learn what their interests are."

Located on the north side of Maple Hall, the Intercultural Center welcomes students of any race and ethnicity to share a common space.

"The Intercultural Center services the entire Roger Williams community," Adrianna Henderson, Administrative Assistant at the Intercultural Center, said. "We take heart and specialize interest in international students, students of color,

spiritual life, and L.G.B.T.Q.A (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, Allies).

One of the main programs of the Intercultural Center is the Bridge to Success Program where, according to Henderson, "college students go to local urban high schools to tutor the students and mentor them to prepare for college." Mays' job specifically focuses on the Bridge to Success program and its overall accomplishment.

Besides the larger Bridge to Success program, the Intercultural Center sponsors many other programs that in which the Roger Williams University community can participate.

"We have a few monthly programs, such as 'An Hour With...', where students present for an hour information about their home country," Henderson said. We also show movie series once a month, which deal with intercultural issues from international students, civil engagement in global society, L.G.B.T.Q.A., and developing to be more inclusive."

"We also have trips to Boston with the students, and prepare Thanksgiving dinners," Adkins said.

The Intercultural Center has also sponsored speakers on campus in the past, such as Nikki Giovanni, and hopes to get Tim Wise to speak in October on the topic of white supremacy. All activities are open to the Roger



Elizabeth Correa

Adrianna Henderson and Maria Adkins join the staff of the Intercultural Center

Williams community.

"I look forward to continuing with traditional programs and expanding the program calendar for new activities," Adkins said.

"I would love to see more of the community in the Center," Henderson said. "We are open early, late,

and everyday during the week."

With this new staff, the Intercultural Center will have new approaches and ideas for activities all throughout the year, and is something worth checking out.

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Have you seen the green machine?

Theodore Applebaum
Herald Staff

The canola plant begins its life growing in the fields of the United States and Canada. It is a pretty plant with tiny yellow flowers and oil filled seeds. Once harvested these seeds are pressed to produce a vegetable oil that fills fryalators across the globe.

Thanks to the popularity of French fries here at Roger Williams, the main cafeteria runs through about 100 gallons of this oil a week. Once used the oil was until recently considered to be a waste product. Stored unceremoniously in a basement tank, the university paid a company to take it off their hands.

Now that "waste" oil has a new destination, the gas tank of a campus shuttle.

"As far as we can tell we're going to be the first university to run as vehicle on straight vegetable oil," says Scott Yonan, head of public affairs, and one of the two people who came up with the idea for having a straight vegetable oil (SVO) shuttle on campus.

To facilitate the conversion from diesel to SVO, Yonan brought in Mark Howard as a consultant to work with university mechanic Leo Bonfont. Howard has converted over 15 vehicles in the past including a garbage truck for Harvard University last year.

"For me it's just kind of a novelty, I'm just kind of into doing it" says Howard who drives two Volkswagens entirely powered by SVO.

Over the past few weeks the shuttle has undergone a series of modifications in the process of installing the components which allow it to run primarily on SVO.

When the shuttle is first turned on it runs on diesel fuel for a few minutes until the SVO is heated enough to move smoothly through the system. Once heated the shuttle runs entirely on SVO until the end of the day when diesel is again briefly used to purge the system of any leftover oil, which could clog when it cools down overnight.

While the use of SVO for fuel is a relatively new concept in the United States it has existed commercially in

Europe for over 30 years. SVO burns cleaner, its exhaust is nearly odorless and with the rising cost of gas it is for some an attractive alternative to diesel. Also Howard says people get a kick out of running their vehicle on SVO.

"I'm really excited" says Yonan who has been waiting two long years to see his vision become a reality. Yonan, a former student, hatched the plan with another former student David Smith who graduated two years ago. They had originally looked to bio-diesel in hope of making RWU a greener campus.

"But the more research we did on bio-diesel the less we were impressed" says Yonan. Bio diesel is a process, which adds no more than 20% VO to diesel but can run through a normal system and therefore does not require any vehicle modification.

Instead he appealed to the university to go for the conversion method that the shuttle uses today. After two years of planning, and overcoming numerous logistical issues, the shuttle could be in use within a few days and is to be officially un-

veiled sometime in the next few weeks.

"It's a value I believe in," says President Roy Nirschel speaking of the "French fry car," as he affectionately calls it. "Its part of our overall approach to sustainability and being Eco-friendly on campus."

The shuttle is just one of the many environmentally driven programs RWU has begun in the last few years. The use of local produce in the cafeteria and the introduction of recycling bins alongside trashcans are a few of others.

Pete Sieganthaler 10' says the SVO shuttle is a good choice by the university. "Not only is it efficient and ecologically conscious but reflects positively on our school as well"

From field, to food, to fuel, RWU's environmentally friendly shuttle finally gives students a good reason for packing in those French fries. And don't worry says Scott Yonan, the oil is filtered three times before it makes it into the gas tank, "we don't want fries shooting out the tailpipe."

DIRECTOR: Eager to employ initiatives

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with each public safety officer, shuttle driver and department employee one-on-one.

"I want to get to know them personally and professionally," he said.

In addition to working well with his colleagues in public safety, Smith looks forward to working with the students as well. While working in Narragansett, he served as co-chair for the Narragansett/University of Rhode Island Coalition board, whose motto is "Building a Community of Mutual Respect."

This board, co-chaired by URI's vice president of student affairs, Dr. Tom Dougan, was a representative group, with members from realtors associations, Greek life, judicial affairs, student senate and even, on occasion, URI's president, Robert Carothers.

Smith said he would like to see similar input from the RWU community.

"I try to maintain an open-door policy," Smith said. "I look forward to having a long, healthy relationship with Student Senate here on this campus."

"Ironically, we're all wrestling with the same issues," he added. "Our success is driven by our ability to have mutual respect, and to communicate our thoughts clearly and often. I would invite and welcome the students to share their experiences, their suggestions, through the students' eyes and ears. Let's work together," he encouraged.

Smith also said that RWU's diversity efforts are important to him.

"This university truly is on an international stage," he said. "The different cultures and the diversity that we enjoy - that doesn't present challenges in my opinion, that presents opportunities. And it's a privilege to be a part of that."

Smith also has experience in this



J. David Smith.

area. In 2004, he headed the Rhode Island Police Chiefs Association and he worked with the Rhode Island Civil Rights Roundtable to bring about legislation against racial profiling.

While in charge, he helped design a t-shirt that displayed two hands shaking - one hand blue, the other black. The blue hand symbolized law enforcement, while the black hand represented people of minority.

The caption under the shirt read, "Rhode Island Police Chiefs Association - Extending a hand so that black and blue doesn't hurt anymore."

"I've demonstrated a sincere interest in nurturing that diverse environment and understanding all sides of those issues," Smith said.

While his awareness of diversity was likely a factor in his hiring, Smith also credited feeling very comfortable while being interviewed by General Counsel and Vice President of Legal Affairs Robert Avery, and later President Nirschel.

"As much as it was important for them to select the candidate that they were most comfortable with, there's a sense of pride and responsibility on my part to prove them right in the selection," he said.

Smith said that in getting a new job, "you get to a point where you wake up in the morning and you can't wait to get to work, and I'm very pleased to say that I already have that feeling.

"In a relatively short amount of time, I love being here," he added.

For any public safety director in the country, the memories of the shootings on the campus of Virginia Tech. remain fresh in the mind. For Smith, the father of a future college student, the incident registers with him on a personal level.

"It's sad we had so many students' lives lost," he said. "[But] we can never have their lives be lost in vain. What can their sacrifice mean for the rest of us?"

Smith mentioned the new emergency system, Connect-Ed, that Information Technology will soon be implementing. The system "allows campus leaders and security professionals to send time-sensitive notifications to thousands of people in minutes," according to the company's website.

"It's unfortunate that you have to think about these types of security initiatives, but it's really important to know that the place you're trusting your son or daughter's security is the best in the region. And that's a goal," Smith said.

Another of Smith's initiatives is hiring a full-time training officer who will be trained in domestic violence, diversity, tactics, communication, fitness and technology.

Looking back on his career, Smith does not see individual events; rather, he sees his 28 years in law enforcement as a "tapestry."

"You look back, and that's the picture," he said. "No regrets. The important thing is that you learn from all those experiences, good and bad, and you make sure that you become a better person because of those experiences, not in spite of those experiences."

Throughout his career, Smith has also acquired a great deal of wisdom from his colleagues. One story, from his first year as a police officer, still stands out. Smith explained that his first supervisor lacked a formal education, but "had wisdom that transcended the classroom."

Smith's supervisor asked him if he were to pull up to a four-way intersection in a marked police car and there were cars at each stop sign, who should go first. Smith answered as any driver would, saying the car that arrived first should go first, with drivers yielding to those to their right.

The supervisor then told Smith he was wrong, saying it is not as important who goes first, but what is most important is who goes last.

"Those three people won't remember that at the dinner table that night, but if you had cut them off and went first, they would never forget it," Smith explained.

The lesson stuck with Smith.

"I hope that in my 28 years of sworn law enforcement and through my entire career here, it's not what people remember me for, it's all those people whose lives I've touched and they haven't noticed."

"We want to provide the safest, most secure environment for our students, but at the same time balance that with maintaining the open campus...and the healthy, happy environment that they also deserve," he explained. "You don't want an encampment here, and sometimes that's a delicate balance."

He added, "That's part of what makes my job really exciting."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday

Campus Events

Common Ground
Concert: Nick Motil
Hawk's Hangout
9 p.m.

Movie Releases

Shoot 'Em Up
Clive Owen, Paul Giamatti, Monica Belucci
Rated: R

3:10 to Yuma
Russell Crowe, Christian Bale
Rated: R

The Brothers Solomon
Will Forte, Will Arnett
Rated: R

Concerts
George Clinton & Parliament
Funkadelic
9 p.m. - Lupo's

Saturday

Campus Events

WQRI '80s Dance
Hawk's Hangout
9 p.m.

Sunday

Campus Events

Business Speaking
Event: The Foreign
Exchange Market
GSB 334
2 p.m.

Monday

Campus Events

Intramural Sports
Meeting
Campus Rec. Center
Conference Room
Tennis, Beach
Volleyball, and
Kickball: 7:30 p.m.
Soccer and Flag
Football: 7:45 p.m.

10-Spot: Speed Dating
Hawk's Hangout
8 p.m.

Concerts

Sum 41, with
Yellowcard, Amber
Pacific, and Monty
Are I
Lupo's - 7 p.m.

Tuesday

Campus Events

Merchant Fair
D'Angelo Common
11 a.m.

Wednesday

Campus Events

Student Involvement
Fair
D'Angelo Common
11 a.m.

Socrates Cafe
Mary Teft White
Cultural Center
7 p.m.

Thursday

Campus Events

Game Night
The Commons
8 p.m.

Expression Session
Hawk's Hangout
9 p.m.

Friday

Campus Events

East Meets West
Stress Management
Class
Campus Rec. Center
Aerobics Room A
12:15 p.m.

Bonfire
North Campus
8 p.m.

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Sudoku

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- Mariner
- Jab
- Front of a ship
- Cookie
- Lukewarm
- Narrative
- Grow worse
- Comic book hero
- Banishment
- Actress Eichhorn
- Egg-shaped
- Jamborees
- Adventure stories
- Pat
- Broker
- Secondhand
- City in 15 Down
- Nail
- Bib. town near Jerusalem
- Wager
- Writer Truman
- Rodent
- Speak
- Still
- Gr. letters
- Flower starters
- Legumes
- Assert
- Very thin
- Booed
- Inspector Clouseau's attire
- Composer Jerome
- Soil
- Halo
- Pelvic girdle
- Andy's pal
- Watch face

Down

- Tending toward
- Dreary
- French novelist Emile _____
- Soft drinks
- Stadiums
- Limb
- Digit
- Hazard
- Translucent gem
- Swallow-tailed hawk
- Dutch city
- Marshes
- Lone-Star State
- Silver State
- Haze
- Leer
- Loquacious
- Concur
- Slightest
- Main artery
- Divine Comedy poet
- Emoted
- South Africans
- Slalom, lake-style
- Inhalation
- Breakfasts
- Applies
- Park seat
- Libyan Desert
- Football kicks
- Critical
- Metric weight unit
- Flight (Pref.)
- Congers
- Trickle
- Oolong
- Heel
- Fr. okay
- Nope

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Volleyball wins season opener, drops first home game

Shaun Hogan
Sports Editor

The women's volleyball team started its 2007 season on Saturday with a 3-1 win over Clark University and a 3-0 win over Husson College.

In the match against Clark, the team totaled 36 kills in the four-game series. Kristina Dolan made seven kills while Caryn Lecca posted 31 as-

sists in the four games.

The Hawks shut Husson out 3-0 with a total of 35 kills spread across the three straight sets.

Michelle Beatrice led the team defensively with 14 digs.

Despite a strong season opener, the Hawks dropped their first home game to Eastern Connecticut State College 3-2 on Wednesday afternoon.

The Hawks won the first set only to lose the next two. Down 2-1 the Hawks came back in the fourth game with a 30-18 win to force a fifth and decisive match.

Despite falling behind early the Hawks managed to raise the score to 13-14.

Despite closing to within one point of the win, the Hawks would

not be able to earn a victory as a quick kill brought the final score to 15-13 in favor of Eastern Connecticut.

Brittney Sullivan and Amy Maurer led the team in kills, scoring 17 and 10 respectively.

The volleyball team will be back in action Saturday at 11:00 a.m. when it takes on Rivier College.

WOMEN: Keeping a positive outlook

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said Kiablick. "And our goalkeepers and our sweepers all had a tremendous game."

For her contribution to Saturday's game, Mayo has been named the Commonwealth Coast Conference Player of the Week.

"I was so happy that she [Mayo] was recognized as player of the week," said Kiablick. "She has natural abilities, but really what made her as successful as she has been is that she really works harder than most people on the field at practice and in games."

"She came into school a tremendous player and she is leaving as a noticeably better player," said Kiablick.

Kiablick points out that Mayo is part of a strong group of seniors and juniors that are providing a lot of leadership for the team's younger players. Kiablick said she also has three new freshman players that she thinks will add a lot of depth to the team.

Among the top recruits are Caitlin

Cawthron, Lindsey Crepeau and Taryn Mancarella. Cawthron joins the team from Hillsboro-Deering High School in New Hampshire where she was an All-State forward.

Crepeau comes to RWU from Oyster River High School, also in New Hampshire, and also has club-playing experience with Vendola and Garside. Mancarella comes out of Greece Athena High School in New York where she was an All-State and All-Section defender.

"We've been a young program every year since I took this job," said Kiablick. "And this year we finally have what we've been working for with a lot of great leadership."

Kiablick feels that the leadership of the seniors and juniors, when combined with the skills of the freshman and sophomore players, will allow the women's soccer team to have a very successful 2007 season.

"We still have to go out and win the games," Kiablick said.

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SOCCER: A team in transition

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practice with him, he got me ready for games and when he was in the game I would be sure to watch him."

Before coming to RWU Ruscigno played three years of varsity soccer at John Jay High School in Wappingers Falls, New York.

Plate comes to RWU from St. Anthony's High School on Long Island, which is one of the premiere high school soccer programs in New York, said Cook. Plate spent the past two years serving as the team's goalkeeper in addition to playing with the HBC United Soccer Club in New York.

"He's got a lot of promise," said Cook. "He's 6 feet 3 inches, he's got a lot of experience and I think he's got a lot of upside to him. I think he is only going to get better."

Sorkin joins the soccer team from Hebron Academy in Maine, but is originally from Florida. Cook said he talked to a lot of high school coaches and officials about Sorkin and that he came highly recommended.

Sorkin is the only one of the team's three goalkeepers that has not yet had an opportunity to play in a regular season game.

When it comes to deciding which keeper will take the number one spot, Cook said he has not had enough time to watch them play. He said he wants to increase the competition level during practice to bring out the best in all three goalkeepers as well as every other member of the team.

"I think the beginning of the season is going to be trying to figure out who's going to grab the number one

job and just exactly where the other two go," said Cook.

"It's good that we've got three of them [keepers] pushing each other for playing time," said Cook. "Even at this stage, two games into the season nobody has really stepped forward or is playing that much better than either one of the other two to say they are my regular goalie."

"It's probably going to be another week or two before they start to feel comfortable and I start to get a good idea of who deserves to be out there," said Cook. "The big thing is can they rise to the occasion and make the key save?"

When the Hawks started their season on Saturday, Sept. 8 with the Turfer Classic, Cook said he went into the tournament knowing that he was going to play two of the team's goalkeepers. In the first game on Saturday against Utica College, Cook put Ruscigno in the net.

"Based on the early pre-season at that stage, I felt that Danny [Ruscigno] deserved to start the first game because he was the returning player," said Cook.

Ruscigno's experience as a goalkeeper showed as he made four saves early in the match, keeping the score to 0-0 until the 74-minute mark, when Utica player Kyle Tassone slipped a shot past him. Tassone's shot proved to be the game winner for Utica and, despite six shot attempts by senior Antoine Bell, the Hawks lost 1-0.

On Sunday, Sept. 9 the Hawks took on Cabrini College in the second

day of the Turfer Classic. This time Cook put freshman keeper Plate in the net, marking his first college start. Plate kept the ball out of the net for the first half, but he could not prevent two sudden shots at the 50 and 51-minute marks that allowed Cabrini to gain a 2-0 victory over RWU.

Cook said that outside the goalkeepers there are also many promising freshman players. Based on the first two games Cook feels that freshman Matt Stebbins, midfielder

Michael Patriarca and Daniel "DJ" Hunter all look to be positive contributors to the field both defensively and offensively.

"I am looking for a bunch of these new kids to help us out," said Cook.

"We gave up some goals this weekend on mistakes, correctable mistakes," said Cook. "As these kids adjust and mature to the college game, our season will depend on if they can do it quickly. If they can we could be pretty good."



Sophomore keeper Dan Ruscigno gets some playing time against Utica College last Saturday. Ruscigno will be battling with two others for the starting keeper position.

Shaun Hogan

Team in Transition: Men's soccer goes young

Shaun Hogan
Sports Editor

The end of the 2006 season brought an end to the college careers of several of the most influential players in the history of the men's soccer team, marking the beginning of a transitional period for the program.

At the start of the 2007 season, the team consists of 68 percent freshman and sophomore players and 32 percent juniors and seniors. Of the 28 team members, there are 14 freshman, five sophomores, five juniors and four seniors. A marked difference from last year, noted head coach Jim Cook.

"We went from a very senior oriented team to a team with 19 freshman and sophomores," said Cook. "We are now a very young team."

Cook said that although he misses many of the senior players, he sees a lot of promise in the new players and he thinks the team has the potential to have another successful season. However, he said a major part of ensuring the team's success lies in determining who will replace star goalkeeper Kevin Deegan.

Deegan graduated from RWU last spring with a degree in business after becoming one of the most successful goalkeepers in the soccer team's history. Deegan spent the majority of his four years with RWU's soccer program as the team's starting goalkeeper.

"Kevin had four incredible years here at Roger Williams," said Cook.



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The men's soccer team fell to Utica College last Saturday, and lost again on Sunday against Cabrini College. Despite losing a number of seniors - including All-American goalkeeper Kevin Deegan - the soccer team, led by coach Jim Cook hopes its young players can contribute to another successful season.

"He gained recognition in every single one of his seasons from All Conference all the way up to the highest recognition you can get, which is All American and Academic All American."

"When he left, he certainly left a void," said Cook. "And right now we are trying to fill that void."

Cook said the responsibility of

tending the net will be divided between sophomore Daniel Ruscigno and the team's two new freshman keepers, William Sorkin and Peter Plate, for the time being. However, Cook said he plans to pick one of the players to serve as the team's primary starting keeper.

Ruscigno, now in his second year as a goalkeeper at RWU, served as a

back-up keeper for Deegan during the 2006 season. Ruscigno said he only got the opportunity to play in three games last year, but that he learned a lot from Deegan.

"It [playing with Deegan] was a good experience," said Ruscigno. "I sat behind him, but it was good to

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Women's team begins season with big win

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Going into the 2007 season, the women's soccer team is certainly a much stronger team than it was four years ago when Emily Kiablick took over as the team's head coach. Only two games into the season, the Hawks are already 1-1-0 on the season and ranked 14th regionally, marking the first regional ranking for the team.

"It is great just to be recognized regionally," said Kiablick. "Hopefully we'll keep moving up that chart, but it is so hard to change people's thoughts and perceptions of a program that hasn't had a lot of success in the past."

"It is just great that we're finally on the charts," said Kiablick.

The regional ranking comes as a result of the team's efforts in its first two games of the season this past weekend in Pennsylvania against Elizabethtown College and The College of New Jersey. Going into the 2007 season, Elizabethtown was ranked 20th nationally while The College of New Jersey was ranked second in the nation.

"Going in we were really hoping to pick up a win," said Kiablick. "But we knew it was kind of a stretch playing two nationally ranked teams and it is evident that we're not where The College of New Jersey is at the top of Division III."

On Saturday, Sept. 8 the Hawks took on Elizabethtown in their season opener, a team that finished the 2006 season with an overall record of 14-5-3 and a Commonwealth Conference championship victory. However, RWU fought its way to a

2-1 upset victory in overtime.

Senior captain Caitlin Mayo scored the two goals that propelled the Hawks to the 2-1 victory. The first came off a loose ball from Elizabethtown freshman goalkeeper Lindsey Butler, raising the score to 1-0.

Then with only two minutes remaining in play, Elizabethtown junior Carly Hoskins slipped a shot past RWU goalkeeper sophomore Jen Garside, bringing the game into overtime. Six minutes into overtime, Mayo took control of the ball off a pass from sophomore Amanda DaCuhna and scored her second goal of the game, giving the Hawks the 2-1 victory.

"I am happy that we fought through the team and started the job and then we finished it in overtime," said Kiablick. "It was just great to start off with a win though at the same time we were a little dissatisfied with our tempo and we weren't connecting as well as we should have been, but then our pace of play did improve for Sunday's game."

On Sunday the team played The College of New Jersey. From the first few minutes of the game The College of New Jersey was relentless, outshooting RWU 44-0, with 20 shots on goal and two shots finding their way to the back of the net, resulting in a 2-0 loss for the Hawks.

"I do think it [the loss] was a positive for the team," said Kiablick. "I think we came away from that game gaining a lot and knowing that even though we didn't match up evenly with the second place team in the country, but a victory is obtainable. It gives us things to shoot for."

Garside was in the net for the Hawks on Sunday, making 18 saves that, when combined with a strong defense, kept The College of New Jersey to a two-goal lead. Kiablick said that combination demonstrates the strength of her team.

"It was a great game, particularly for our defense in the fact that we held them to two goals,"

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