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THE HAWK'S HERALD

CHEERLEADERS BID FOR NATIONALS

Courtney Nugent
Features Editor

Two years ago, 10 out of the 15 cheerleaders on RWU's cheerleading squad left after winter break, leaving five girls at the end of the season. Without a coach, the five girls held tryouts for what they hoped would be a "together" team.

"Our team had to build from the ground up," senior captain Amanda Hudak said. "We had to create a team, traditions, everything."

In September of this year, the cheerleaders received a bid to the NCA National Championship in Daytona Beach, Florida during the first week of April.

According to Hudak, their metamorphosis is because of the hard work of the team members, as well as their new coach.

"Last year, Shawn
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Elizabeth Correa
Captain Amanda Hudak and teammates practice for nationals.

Former Sox role player takes on new mission

Michael Hurley
Managing Editor

Game four of the 2004 World Series. Ninth inning. Gabe Kapler stood in right field as the potential first out – and one more step toward the end of 86 years of agony for Red Sox fans – flew toward him.

"This," Kapler said, "is the truth about what athletes think:

"Don't be Bill Buckner."

While Kapler stressed the importance of performing on the field, he said it pales in comparison to the importance of putting an end to the spread of domestic violence.

IRHA sponsored Kapler to come to campus to speak to more than 300 students at the Hawk's Hangout on Monday night. He founded the Gabe Kapler Foundation in 2004 with his wife Lisa. The organization is dedicated to assisting battered women's shelters in Southern California.

"We're giving some



Michael Hurley

Gabe Kapler, member of the 2004 World Series champion Boston Red Sox, interacts with fans during a meet and greet session Monday night. Kapler spoke to students about putting an end to domestic violence.

women the opportunity to breathe," he said.

Lisa, Gabe explained, was physically and emotionally abused by a high school boyfriend.

"It was my love for Lisa that fired my passion to speak out against domestic violence," he said.

He said the abuse began non-physically, as Lisa's boyfriend con-

trolled everything she did, said, or wore and embarrassed her in front of friends.

The physical harm came next. Lisa's description to Gabe was simply, "He beat me like a man."

These beatings included full punches and violent choking. Whenever she fought back, according to Gabe, the beatings got worse.

At one point, the

boyfriend put a gun to Lisa's head and asked her, "Are you ready to die?"

Psychologically, Lisa could not escape the clutch of her boyfriend, as he threatened to shoot her when she walked across the stage at graduation, Gabe said.

According to Gabe, Lisa filed a restraining order against the boyfriend, but it failed to

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Has the Internet forced THE DOWNFALL OF DATING?

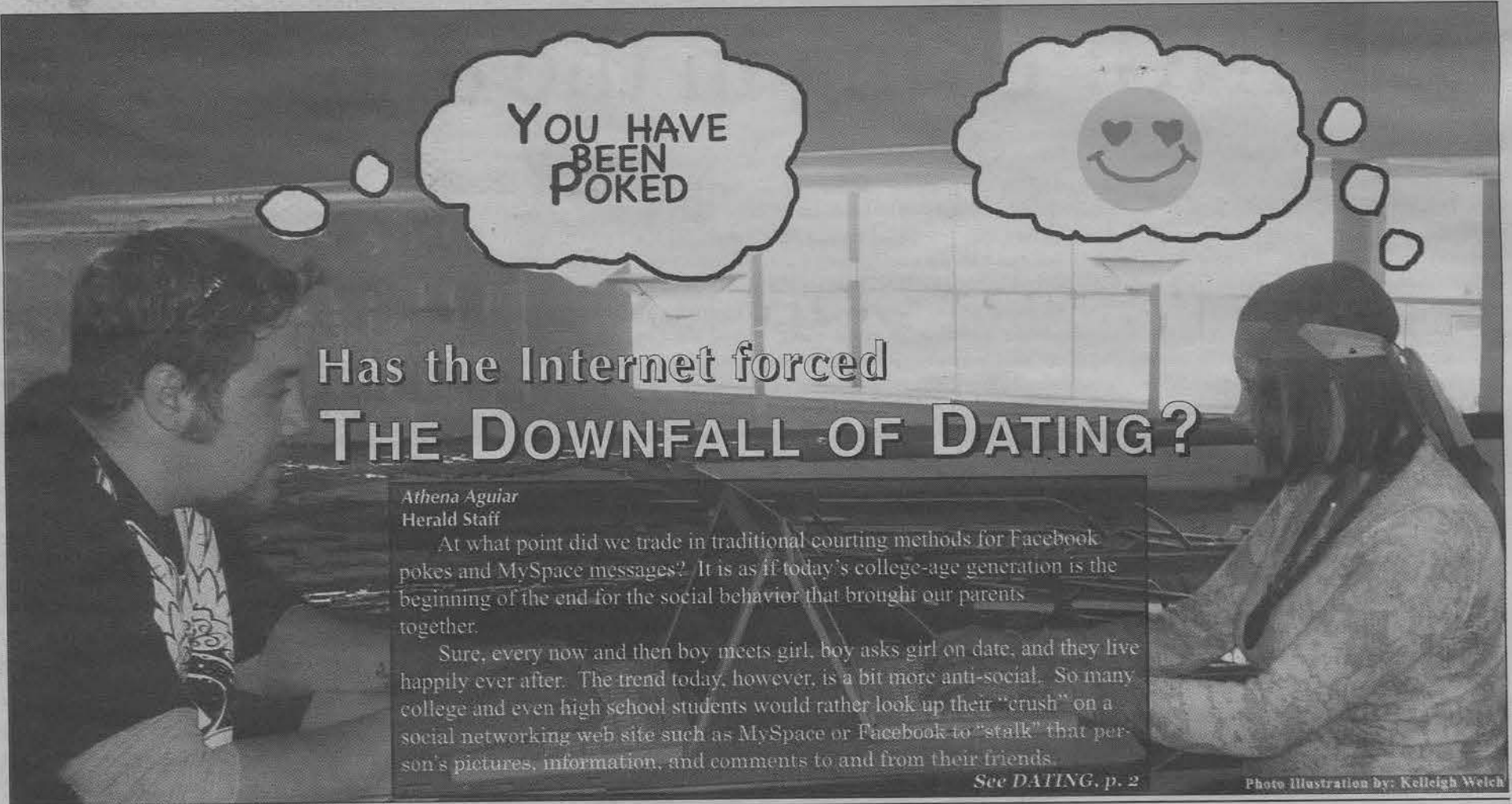
Athena Aguiar
Herald Staff

At what point did we trade in traditional courting methods for Facebook pokes and MySpace messages? It is as if today's college-age generation is the beginning of the end for the social behavior that brought our parents together.

Sure, every now and then boy meets girl, boy asks girl on date, and they live happily ever after. The trend today, however, is a bit more anti-social. So many college and even high school students would rather look up their "crush" on a social networking web site such as MySpace or Facebook to "stalk" that person's pictures, information, and comments to and from their friends.

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Photo illustration by: Kelleigh Welch



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

I wish to congratulate Phil Devitt and Courtney Nugent for two fine articles on senior Tobey Reynolds, who died in an automobile accident on October 26.

Mr. Devitt did a detailed news story that provided *Hawk's Herald* readers with all of the necessary facts concerning this terrible accident. Ms. Nugent wrote a more personal portrait of Ms. Reynolds, filled with kind comments by friends and professors that movingly captured the life of a special student. Both stories, which I imagine were very difficult to write, served the RWU community well in the wake of a terrible campus tragedy.

In the past, I have often been critical of articles and columns in *The Hawk's Herald* (and I still find "Couple of the Moment" out of place in a publication striving to bring the RWU community the important news of the day). But the publication of these two articles should serve as a proud moment in the history of our campus newspaper. Mr. Devitt, Ms. Nugent, and Editor in Chief Sarah Cournoyer deserve praise for their fine work.

James Tackach
Professor of English

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RWU'S WTF OF THE WEEK



College students love eating. They also love music. Thus, the marriage of MTVU and the dining commons seems to be a match made in heaven. That would be if the TVs weren't on mute. Of all things to watch with no sound...music videos? With no music? The signs on the TVs say "You are watching MTVU", which is true. Unfortunately, that's about all we can do without any sound.

Got a WTF of the week? Send suggestions to
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This method takes away the personal communication that would happen over the course of a few dates. Instead of getting to know someone over coffee or dinner, their entire background can be learned in a matter of minutes.

Has it become romantic for someone to ask you if you have a MySpace? Do we measure our relationships by our position on a person's "Top Friends"? This sort of blunt statement about the value of one friendship or relationship against another takes all the guessing out of the game.

The success of social networking web sites may be a result of an increasingly hyper-individualistic gen-

eration of young people. We are happy to limit our face-to-face time with friends and potential mates because we can just as easily keep up with their Facebook activity with the click of a mouse.

Just like any type of social meeting place, networking web sites have established their own type of competition. Is the attractiveness of a male measured in relation to the number of pictures he has posted of himself being intoxicated? Perhaps it is the number of wall posts he has from other girls. Is the attractiveness of a female the number of pictures she has posted of herself wearing next to nothing?

For those nearing the end of their college experience, being single

can be a scary thought. Technology offers an easily accessible way to scan all the fish in the sea from the comfort of our own homes.

This has proved for many to be too tempting an opportunity to pass by. Why spend money on dinner and movie just to learn that a girl is too busy for a relationship or that she spends every weekend hitting the clubs and engaging in activities you would not want to be a part of? A quick look at the "Interests" section of her profile or her picture collection can provide that information for free.

Still, some people dream of the courtship their parents had. The definition of dating has changed drastically since their time. Have

you ever known a couple that is "dating" who never actually went on a date? To meet, hook up, and proceed to make a relationship out of that seems to suffice these days.

These observations are in no way meant to be all-inclusive of an entire generation; there are certainly exceptions. If these trends continue, however, I fear for next generation who is bound to be even more technologically savvy. The faster technology grows, the quicker we can learn about a total stranger. Those first stages of building a relationship are removed and the couple may have a shorter expiration date.

Dating: R.I.P. You will be missed.

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News Briefs Comic hypnotist visits campus

Eric Sullivan
Herald Staff

RWU law student killed in Iraq

Special Agent Nathan J. Schuldheiss was killed by an improvised explosive device (IED) near his station at Balad Air Base in Iraq, the Department of Defense confirmed Friday.

Schuldheiss was a resident of Newport, and received a degree in law from the Roger Williams University School of Law before joining the Air Force in 2005.

Source: WPRI

40,000 Flags to be planted in the Quad

STAND: A student anti-genocide coalition will hold a demonstration on Monday, with the planting of 40,000 flags to represent the 400,000 dead in Sudan.

Amy Torregrossa, president of STAND, said the demonstration will help STAND to reach its goal of educating all students on the RWU campus of the Sudanese genocide.

The event coincides with the International Education Week, which begins Monday.

Franco-American Relations Grow Stronger

On Wednesday, Nicolas Sarkozy, the French president, spoke to U.S. Congress which applauded for three minutes before he spoke.

Since Sarkozy's election six months ago, French and U.S. policies have become less polarized and both presidents are seeing eye-to-eye on issues involving terrorism and Afghanistan, but the key issue remains Iran.

President Sarkozy said, "It is unacceptable that Iran should have a nuclear weapon, but Iran is entitled to civilian nuclear energy."

On Nov. 19, the U.N. Security Council members will attempt to place tougher sanctions on Iran.

One of the most telling statements by the French President: "I want to tell you that whenever an American soldier falls somewhere in the world, I think of what the American army did for France."

Source: BBCnews.com

Dan Hoskins
Herald Staff

You are getting sleepy, very sleepy. Soon your eyelids will start to feel heavy and you will want to close them. Then you will fall asleep.

Are you hypnotized yet? No? Oh well, I guess I am not as good as Frank Santos Jr., the comic hypnotist who visited RWU last Monday and quickly hypnotized the audience into a state of hysteria.

After asking for some members of the audience to come on stage and perform a quick test to see if they could be hypnotized, Santos got right to business. It only took him five minutes and some soothing music to calmly talk his volunteers into a hypnotic trance.

Ten participants stayed asleep in chairs on stage. Santos assigned different commands and tasks, most of which involved doing something embarrassing whenever triggered by an outside source.

In one situation, freshman, Sam Hamilton, had the urge to get out of her seat every time Santos said the word "bathroom" only to get half way to the bathroom and completely forget why she had gotten up in the first place. Not wanting to create more of a stir, she would quickly return to her seat just to sit down and hear Santos say "bathroom" again.

Santos also managed to convince all his male participants to believe that they were members in a body building competition. The boys were glad to participate and gladly stood up to flex their muscles to the delight of the amused audience. One even went as far as to take his shirt off in an effort to display his physique better.

Santos introduced karaoke singing convincing the participants that they were singers, some of the contestants took turns singing lead and doing back up dancing to Shania Twain, AC/DC and NSync.

Jerrel Burgo's rendition of "Bye Bye Bye" was not only a crowd pleaser but also one of his favorite parts of the night, even though it revealed the fact that he knew most of the words to "Bye Bye Bye."

However, not all the skits were that innocent. Jerrel could only describe the skit where he was made to believe his private parts were singing "Stroke Me, Stroke Me,"

as "weird."

Burgo was also surprised that he remembered much of the evening, even though when the show ended and he came out of his trance, he was wondering when the show was going to start.

According to Burgo, after time passed and friends described what happened, memories slowly came back to him almost as if it were a "dream."

Hamilton, who, besides being one of the audience members to be hypnotized, also played a big role in getting Santos to come to the school as a member of the Inter Residence Hall Association explained that Santos made some of the material racier because he was performing for an older audience.

It was for this reason that the audience saw a few skits which involved the participants being led to believe that the person to the right of them was constantly grabbing their butts and that Santos was passing gas every time he said the word "microphone," which he said quite often for the crowd's benefit.

Much to the participants' chagrin, one male participant was made to believe his private parts had shrunk in another racy stunt, though Santos later made him believe that not only had it returned to normal, but maybe had gotten a little bigger, which cheered him up a bit.

However, though some of Frank Santos Jr.'s skits may have been a little over the edge and inappropriate, it is nothing compared to what his father does. Hamilton said the elder Santos specializes in x-rated hypnotist shows. Apparently, hypnotism runs in the family.

Though some of his material was over the top, none of the participants seemed to mind and the audience's laughter indicated their enjoyment. The real question remains, however, is it real?

According to Sam Hamilton and Jerrel Burgo, it certainly is.

"I was such a skeptic going in, I thought it was totally bogus, but now I am a complete believer," Hamilton said.

Burgo agreed, although he had always believed that it was probably real. He said that he had seen his friends get hypnotized before and always wanted to try it. Now that he has, he said is a firm believer saying that Santos was "legit."

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Talking baseball with Gabe Kapler

Michael Hurley
Herald Staff

Though Gabe Kapler came to Roger Williams University with a purpose, he realized most of the questions he would be asked during the Q & A session would focus on baseball. Here are Kapler's thoughts.

On his future in baseball

"I am coming back [to play in the major leagues] next year, and am very much hoping that I have the opportunity to play in Boston."

On Boston

"Red Sox fans appreciate role players. They know the value of having guys like Alex Cora on the bench.... They recognize how important Bobby Kielty's homerun [in game 4 of the 2007 World Series] was.

"Being in Boston always feels warm to me, I always feel welcome.

On why he took a year off from playing to coach the Greenville (N.C.) Drive

His ruptured Achilles tendon, which occurred in September of 2005, never fully healed when he was playing the 2006 season.

"I didn't feel like I had the spring in my step."

Also, Kapler said he hopes to someday manage in the major leagues, and did not miss the opportunity to get work.

However, "Halfway through the season [as a manager], I got the feeling back"

On the chemistry of the 2004 Red Sox

According to Kapler, conversations that formerly circulated through three of four guys were suddenly spreading throughout the whole clubhouse.

"Kevin Millar bridged the gap between the Spanish-speaking players and the rest of the team.

"Nobody will ever realize how special Millar was."

He added, "To see Doug Mirabelli and Millar go back and forth is some of the best comedy.... They were some of the funniest moments of my life."

On playing for the Yankees

"Standing up here right now, I'm going to say no.

"To go from Boston to New York...you burn so many bridges."

On Johnny Damon's departure for New York

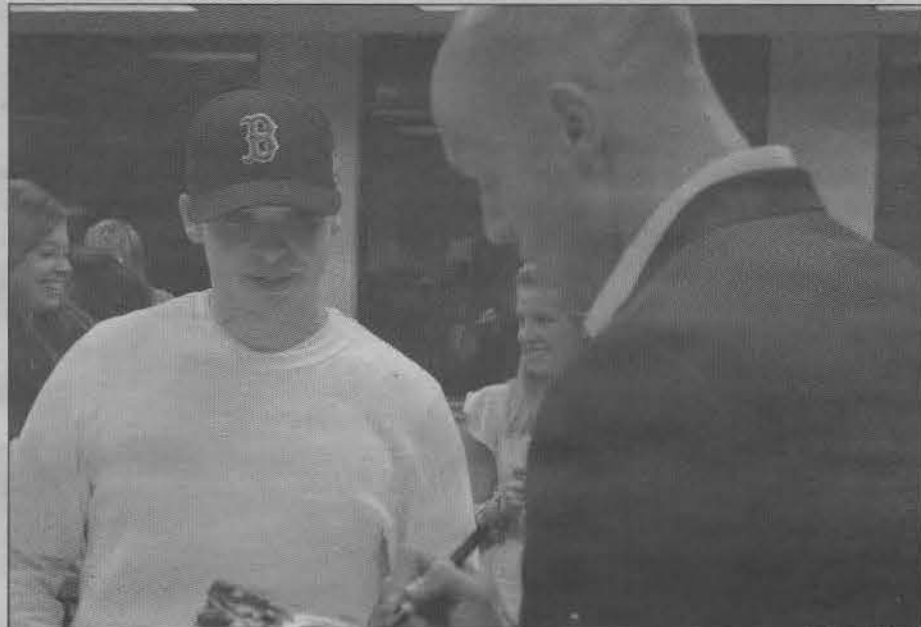
"I don't quite understand why Johnny did that...but I'm not going to condemn a guy for it.

"Johnny is a genuinely nice guy...maybe he wasn't happy in Boston...maybe he wanted to taste something else."

On "The Curse"

"I love that stuff. It's romantic. But do I believe in the curse? No, probably not."

On playing in Japan



Michael Hurley

Gabe Kapler signs an autograph for a fan after his speech on campus Monday night.

"I just didn't love the arena baseball feel."

On his favorite childhood teams

Kapler was on the Blue Jays in Little League, so he became a big fan of the major league team.

"I was also a huge Charles Barkley fan. I was a Barkley freak. I had posters all over my wall."

On Sox prospects to watch for

Lars Anderson, a 20-year-old first baseman with a "picture perfect swing."

Also, Argenis Diaz, a young shortstop with hands like former Sox shortstop Alex Gonzalez.

On being on the field when the Sox won the World Series

"I could barely get a drop of moisture in my mouth.

"It was like watching a movie. I felt like a character in some scene."

On the scariest pitcher to face

Eric Gagne, in a Dodgers uniform.

On his chances of wearing a Red Sox uniform again

"I have a great relationship with Theo [Epstein], don't think I won't be asking him.

"I'm not concerned about it. I'll play at Fenway Park again."

Class offered on 3-D Alice program

Kelleigh Welch
Asst. Features Editor

For hours, Gregg Kelly sits at the computer in the second floor lab at the Gabelli School of Business, where he diligently tries to create an animation where a ball rolls across the screen in a lifelike manner. It seems like a simple task, but between the movement of the ball rolling and moving forward, it is not as easy as expected.

The program Kelly is working with is called "Alice," a three dimensional world meant to teach students how to program on a computer.

"(Alice is) a program of a 3-D environment where you can add any 3-D object you want and tell it what to do," said Kelly. "It's an intro to coding. It's really easy to learn coding in a 3-D environment because you can see it, and once you learn this and go to hard coding with words, it's basically the same thing, but instead you don't see a cool ball."

At Roger Williams, the school of business offers a course called Digital Thinking, a Computer Info System class that specifies in teaching students "Alice". According to Professor Brett McKenzie, Alice is designed to teach students computer programming.

"Students today are living in a media rich world, and a media rich world means that they are used to having animations, which is all con-

trolled by computers," said McKenzie.

McKenzie gave a demonstration of the program on November 6 for interested faculty from a local school. In the discussion, he described what the program contains, and what students normally do with it. The program contains a large library of images and settings, which you can use to create short animations with sound.

As he demonstrated the program, McKenzie stood up on the table to enthusiastically express the way "Alice" can represent the real world.

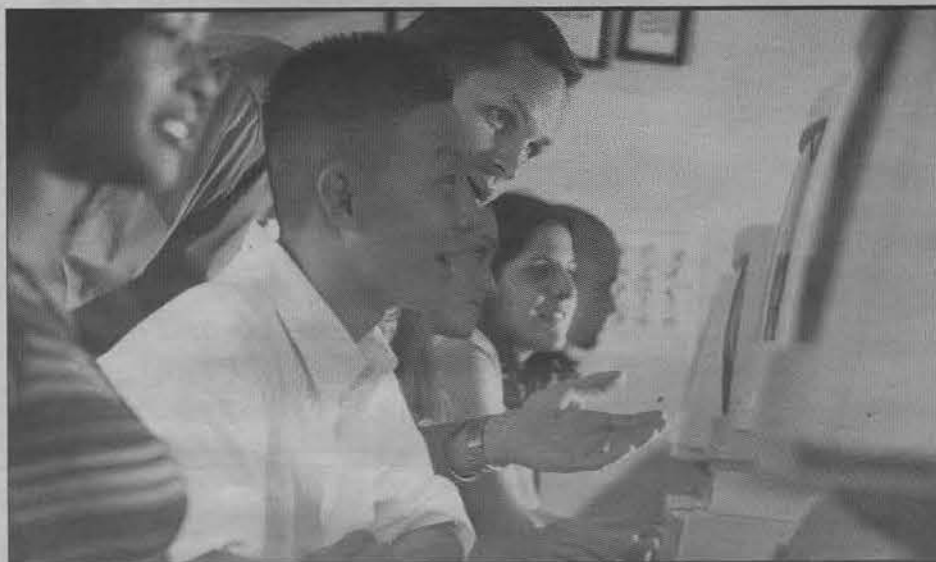
"One great thing about Alice for teaching programming is that I can see my mistake right away, and then I can experiment to correct it," said McKenzie. "Students can absolutely clearly see their error."

One thing that students must consider with using the program however is the amount of time it takes.

"You can spend hours to build these animations and create these stories about Alice and other characters," McKenzie said.

Alice is meant to prepare students for more difficult programs in the computer science field. Students of the middle or high school levels can easily learn the program, and not only learn programming, but also math and technology.

The class has been around at RWU for about three years, and will be offered for the Spring 2008 semester. It has no prerequisite, so any student interested can take it.



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protect her.

Luckily for Lisa, the boyfriend moved away with his family and she was able to move on.

"To this day, she still deals with trauma from that abusive relationship," Kapler said.

Shortly after that tumultuous relationship, Gabe and Lisa began dating. He said he knew, even at age 17, that he had found his future wife.

Strong vs. Weak

Taking his wife's past as a mission to prevent such occurrences in the future, and using his fame as a former member of the Red Sox, Kapler said he now has the ability to help stop the spread of domestic violence.

"This is a man's issue as much as it is a woman's issue," he said, adding that it is important to "redefine what strong and weak are."

He recalled a conversation he had with Kevin Millar about baseball, specifically about what makes hitters strong. He said hitters like Manny Ramirez and David Ortiz appear to have nothing on their minds when they step in the batter's box, while a hitter like Kevin Youkilis "gets fiery" and "has demons."

Kapler said that the person who can conquer his demons is a much stronger person than the one who "has it together all the time."

"Strong certainly is not losing your temper and beating someone up," he said.

"It's OK to have rage and fury. We have to learn how to deal with that rage and fury. That is strong."

Settling Arguments

Kapler said that while he and his wife have the perfect relationship, they have reached that level by

learning what the other needs.

In an argument, he said his wife needs space.

"I can't wait. I'm impatient," he said. "But when I leave and come home two hours later, guess what? I come home to a hug."

"But when our heads butt, the fight can last for two or three days."

Kapler stressed that not exposing children to fights or domestic abuse is the key to preventing its spread.

"It is a cycle that gets broken by children seeing relationships that work."

"To be a great parent is to end this cycle of domestic abuse," he added.

Locker Room Talk

As Kapler pointed out early in his speech, he would be able to relate more to the men in the room than the women. One way he reached the men was by explaining "locker room talk."

When in a locker room, and other

guys share stories of one night stands, or use derogatory language toward women, Kapler said there is a choice.

"You could say, 'That's somebody's wife, somebody's mother, somebody's sister you're talking about.'"

"That's the most righteous way to go."

Another option, Kapler said, is to simply get up and walk away.

"It's not always easy to do...but that's what a leader does. A leader does not participate."

Kapler, who is listed at 6-foot 2, 210 pounds, and is known to many for his bodybuilder-like frame, was not afraid to expose his sensitive side.

"Am I weak if I tell my wife about my feelings?," he asked. "Am I weak if I smother my kids with affection? Am I weak if I hug my teammates?"

Kapler said that at the end of an unsuccessful 2006 season, "Nothing made me feel better than Jason Varitek telling me, flat out, 'I love you.'"

"[Domestic violence] is a cycle that gets broken by children seeing relationships that work."

- Gabe Kapler



Michael Hurley

Gabe Kapler spoke Monday night.

Kapler said that it is important for people to "break down that boundary, so that it spreads and takes the edge off."

After his speech and question-and-answer session, Kapler held a meet and greet, during which he was nothing but warm and genuine. Signing autographs and taking photos with fans lasted more than an hour, but Kapler did not leave until each fan had the opportunity to meet him.

Kapler's closing advice to anyone in a volatile relationship was simple.

"Don't be afraid to talk about it. Don't be silent," he said.

"There might be somebody who is strong enough to intervene."

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Food Critic: Four Corners Grille

Jake Dumond
Herald Staff

If you ever want to go to a quick lunch or dinner at a local restaurant, for a cheap price, Four Corners Grille can be the perfect fit. Small in size, Four Corners Grille supplies your local small restaurant atmosphere, but also includes a very nice bar.

The bar is fairly big, but there is actually a small amount of seating and only two small TVs. It feels like a place that middle-aged men would go after playing 18 holes at the golf course.

The bar and restaurant are extremely clean and are very different than the outside appearance. The entire restaurant is very open and full of space. Even though you are able to see almost every table from any point of the dining area, it never feels like you are sitting too close to someone, or that someone is looking or listening to you.

The menu is full of the typical bar and grille foods such as hamburgers, chicken sandwiches, and Philly cheese steaks, but also includes some seafood items that, when looking at the atmosphere, I would have never guessed they would have.

Appetizers include the typical mozzarella sticks (\$5.99), onion rings (\$5.99), and buffalo tenders (\$7.99), but also incorporate seafood items such as steamed muscles (\$8.99) and steamers that are seasonal and market price.

The Ratings

Food: ☆☆☆☆☆

Service: ☆☆☆☆☆

Price: ☆☆☆☆☆

All ratings are based on a five star scale.

We chose to start with the mozzarella sticks which are presented in a very elegant manner. Presented on a long rectangular-shaped plate, six decent sized sticks are laid out over a fresh piece of lettuce, next to a bowl of sauce that is more than enough for six pieces. The sticks are crunchy on the outside and arm on the inside.

The cheese could have been more melted but is not bad by any means. They tasted pretty much exactly how you would expect them to taste: not great, but not terrible.

For entrées, you can choose between five different burgers, many different sandwiches including tuna melts, and deli sandwiches ranging from \$6.99 to \$9.99, and a few wraps for \$5.99. There is also a section for vegetarian dishes with about six different selections.

Again, they have unexpected seafood selections at market prices including lobster rolls, clam rolls, and Maryland crab cakes.

I decided to go with a Philly cheese steak sandwich for \$8.99. In-



Jake Dumond

The Four Corners Grille is located on Rt. 136 in Warren.

stead of fries, I substituted onion rings for \$1.99, which was a poor decision. I received fewer onion rings than the other meals received fries, and for two extra dollars it was not worth it at all.

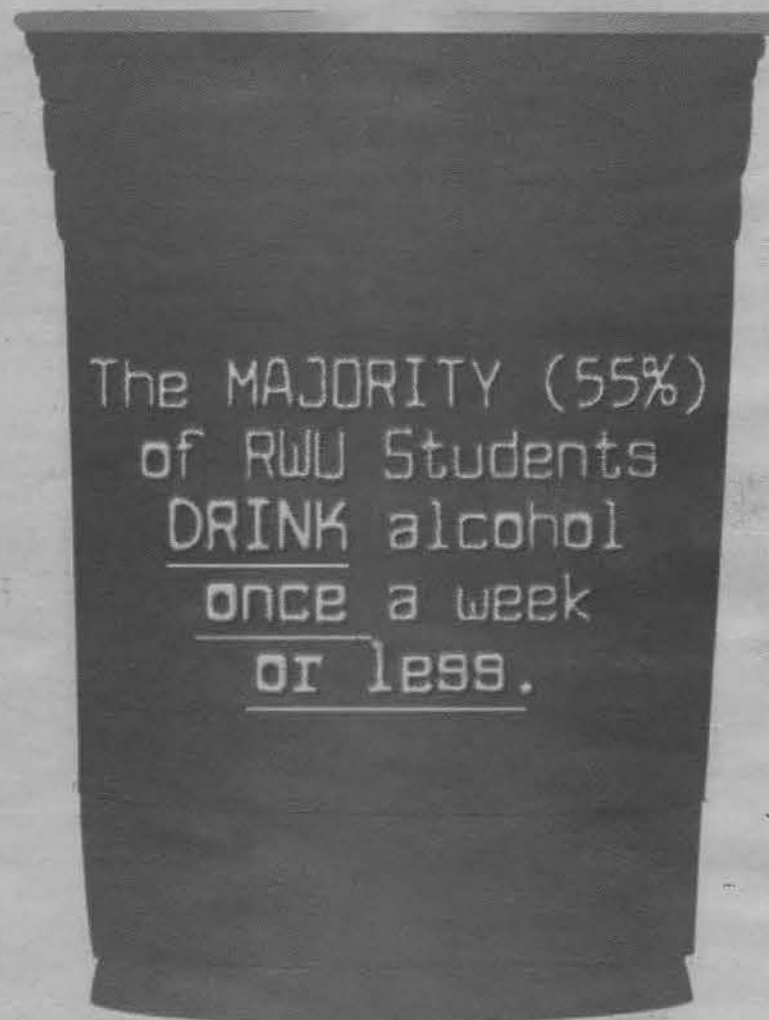
The cheese steak is of perfect size. It was enough to fill me up, but not too much where I couldn't finish it or felt stuffed afterwards. I was not able to pick what type of cheese is in the sandwich, but there is a perfect ration of meat to cheese. The meat is pretty moist but some parts tasted a little dry and overcooked, but for the price it is actually very good.

The service at Four Corners Grille is very quick as we had an entire meal including an appetizer in less than 50 minutes. Our waiter

was nice but very informal, which sometimes is a good thing, but other times could be a little bit annoying.

I feel like Four Corners Grille could easily be turned into a very classy restaurant or a very big bar, but since it is sort of stuck in between, it has a nice yet, slightly awkward feeling to it. Overall, the prices are fantastic with hardly anything priced over \$9.99, the service is incredibly quick, and the atmosphere is very nice. I would definitely recommend Four Corners Grille for a quick bite with a few friends while staying cheap. If you're looking for a date place, or a place to go with a large group of people, this isn't the place for you.

The Absolute Truth



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Cruise, Streep add starpower to otherwise lackluster film

Theodore Applebaum
Herald Staff

With the threat of war with Iran looming large, OJ Simpson's latest criminal foray being discussed on all the major networks and a large percentage of college students watching idly as it all plays out on our televisions, "Lions for Lambs" says enough is enough.

Directed by screen legend Robert Redford, who also stars along with Meryl Steep and Tom Cruise, the movie attempts to inject a sense of purpose into a nation gripped by apathy, a media full of headlines without stories, and a government which attempts to cover up its mistakes with even larger mistakes.

"Lions for Lambs" follows three separate storylines with themes all revolving around the question, "What are we going to do now?"

Redford is convincing and likable in the role of professor Stephen Malley, a man who attempts to motivate the stereotypically lazy but gifted college student Todd Hayes (Andrew Garfield) to do something about the troubling state of our world. Garfield, an industry newcomer, seems at home wearing a Hawaiian shirt and a who-cares attitude.

Streep brilliantly inhabits the character of Janine Roth, a journalist struggling with her role in the crumbling media. In an interview with Senator Jasper Irving (played by Cruise) she searches for the meaning behind the latest bit of government propaganda she is being fed. Later, in a disturbing scene, she attempts to convince her editor that there is more to a story than its headline. Her struggle is incredibly convincing, at times

seeming to transcend the screen.

At the other end of the spectrum, Cruise's performance as Irving comes across as wooden and rehearsed. His lines are delivered as if he is reciting a series of monologues alone on a stage. But he may deserve the benefit of the doubt here, as the rigidity may have been intentional. After all, he is playing a politician.

The third story is there to remind viewers that each decision we do or do not make has real life implications for others. Here we see Adrian Finch (Derek Luke) and Ernest Rodriguez (Michael Pena), two soldiers involved in a military operation to regain the "hearts and minds" of the American people. Their personal struggle for survival serves as a reminder of the horrors of war (as if we needed one) in a gritty and seemingly realistic manner.

In "Lions for Lambs" there is little shrouding of the film's underlining messages. It is a movie warning us of the perils of being sheep, sitting back and following our leaders - again. The movie seeks to be something larger than just another anti-war flick; it hopes to be anti-apathy, a call to arms even if those arms are pens. But it is in this greater ambition that it fails.

Those who enter the theater apathetic are likely to leave feeling the same, and vice versa. If viewers go into this movie looking for a Bush



United Artists
Meryl Streep and Tom Cruise co-star in the political film, 'Lions for Lambs.' The film is now in theaters.

bashing, chances are they will come away happy. But if they are looking for the unexpected, some kind of enlightened take on our country's present situation, they will have to keep looking.

Though the film contains some strong and effective acting, it comes across as too preachy and unexciting. I would feed "Lions for Lambs" to the dogs.

'Lions for Lambs' is now in theaters.

Rating:



Couple of the Moment:

Heather Dowds and Tom Caddigan

Reporting by: Courtney Nugent

Heather

Tom

How did you meet Tom?

I met him two ways. One through the Musician's Guild and the other through my roommate last year, Izzie. Izzie and Tom would get together and do covers of songs for the open mic the campus holds every Thursday at 9:00 in the Hawk's Hangout. One time, I sat in on them rehearsing and met Tom. Everyone knew I was there, but didn't really say anything to me, except Tom. We hung out a few times after that, then I asked him to go see Catch 22 and Less Than Jake at Lupos, which I guess you could call our first date and that night he asked me out. That was one year ago last month.

What is the most attractive thing to you about Tom?

Oh God...his eyes...his smile...his hair, but if I had to pick one thing, it would be how he looks when he sleeps and if you've seen the background on my phone, you know it's true. WAIT. I lied, He also makes the most adorable puppy face when he's sad. Those two are the most attractive things.

When you get into fights, what does Tom do to make it up to you?

Weird thing. We really don't get into many fights, but if we disagree on something, he usually makes that puppy face and I can't help but laugh. Also, we're both big on talking things out, so sometimes we can just sit there and talk it out, as corny as that sounds.

What is your favorite way to spend time together?

Just hanging out. I'm kind of addicted to "House," so I roped him into that and we spend a good deal of time catching him up with all the episodes. Also, since we are both huge on music, we go to concerts together a lot.

What is your favorite band?

The Who, Against Me!, Dropkick Murphys, The Doors, Pink Floyd, Regina Spektor, Reel Big Fish, Big D and the Kids Table- the list could go on forever.

Color?

Hands down pink. Mostly light and pastel pinks.

What color are Tom's eyes?

Crap...I don't know. Kidding, they are blue.

How did you meet Heather?

We actually met through her roommate last year. Her roommate asked me to play a song with her at Expression Session and Heather just happened to sit in on our practice. I asked her if she wanted to try singing the song. I guess it all just started from that.

What were your first impressions of her?

My first impressions of her were that she was really quiet and very pretty. Oh yeah, and that she can sing pretty well also.

What is the most attractive quality about Heather?

If I had to choose one thing it would definitely be her smile. I can't help but smile every time I see it. Her eyes are a very close second though.

What is the cutest thing she has done for you?

She crocheted me a blanket for our one-year anniversary. It's amazing.

How do you like to spend time together?

We like to spend time together any way we possibly can. It's just great to be around each other.

What are Heather's favorite band? Color?

Heather's favorite band would either have to be The Who, or Against Me! Her favorite color is easily pink.

What color are your eyes?

My eyes are blue



Want to be Couple of the Moment?

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Male pageant raises money for charity

Courtney Nugent
Features Editor

On Saturday, Nov. 17, 10 Roger Williams University students will compete in a male pageant for the title of Mr. RWU 2007. Although the ten contestants compete against each other in categories in order to receive the title, they work together to help a cause.

The seventh annual Mr. RWU pageant, which this year features Matt Cate, James Damiano, Jon Fergione, Kevin Golisano, Corey Konnick, Nick Longo, Pat McHeffey, Tim O'Koren, Jordan Viola and Mike Zarbo who practiced and collected money for a number of weeks before the event, will donate the money to Children's Miracle Network, helping premature babies live longer and healthier lives.

According to my rwu, the Mr. RWU pageant has raised more than \$50,000 for the organization in the past five years.

Junior Kristy Lyons and sopho-

more Steph Olesen, co-chairs of Mr. RWU, find the opportunity to work with the contestants and their personal assistants (PAs), rewarding.

"We may yell at them when they miss deadlines and tell them to do all these things, but then we watch them dance and it comes together," Lyons said, in regard to the opening dance number the contestants and their PAs perform. "The dedication they show is really touching."

For many of the contestants, learning the dance moves has proved to be challenging.

"Learning the choreographed dance is hard for everyone but we are all putting a lot of effort in and it is coming out well," Viola, a senior, said.

Senior Matt Cate agreed.

"I don't really do stage things; I am not too coordinated."

Cate said that knowing he is helping out the community put things in perspective.

"It's important knowing we are

helping the kids," Cate said.

The impact of Kristin Forget a student who died in December of last year due to complications with cancer, also influenced a number of the contestants as well as the PAs and their desire to raise money for Children's Miracle Network.

"After I saw Kristin get up and talk during last year's show, I knew I had to get involved," sophomore Lisa-Marie McNulty said. McNulty acts as a PA for junior O'Koren.

After Forget's friend Jacques Aubuchon came to a meeting to discuss Forget's appreciation for their hard work and dedication, many contestants said that the pageant hit closer to home.

"During his presentation, you could have heard a pin drop," Damiano said. "The meaning behind competing became a lot different because she actually went here."

The ten contestants were also able to visit Baystate Children's Hospital in Springfield, Mass, to see directly how their contributions would help children.

"Going to the hospital was really hard," senior Mike Zarbo said. "I usually don't let things bother me, but being at the hospital definitely got me choked up. It put a lot of things in perspective; not everyone has their health."

Junior Pat McHeffey agreed.

"When I was in the hospital, I saw a baby girl who was the size of my hand," McHeffey said. "If people could see that's where the money is going, it would make a world of a difference."

Along with competing in the Mr. RWU pageant, contestants and PAs carry around water bottles to collect



money for the final donation to Children's Miracle Network.

Although collecting money gets more difficult as the competition grows closer, contestants are thinking of new ways to make the process fun for those giving donations.

"I told my [cross-country team] that if I raised \$60 in a day, I would shave my legs, I will get a hair cut if I raise \$850 and I will shave my head if I raise \$1000," O'Koren said. "I know I am probably going to have to shave my head. It's all in good fun."

Even with the time commitment the Mr. RWU contestants put into making the pageant come together, they are grateful for the experience to make a difference in the lives of others.

"I think about the pageant 24/7, not just while I am at practice," sophomore Konnick said. "I know I am helping out a good cause and that is why I'm doing it."

The show will begin at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Center Field House on November 17. Tickets are \$3 for RWU students and \$5 for general admission.



Courtney Nugent

(Above) Mr. RWU contestants practice their dance for the competition. (Above Right) Tim O'Koren vows that he will shave his head if he raises \$1000 for the cause.

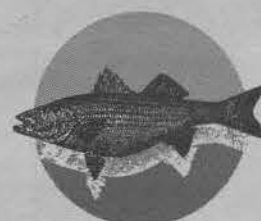


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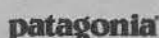
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>Campus Events</p> <p><i>Everyman Play</i> Performing Arts Center 8 p.m.</p> <p>Talent Show Sponsored by: MSU / Musician Guild Hawk's Hangout 8 p.m.</p>	<p>Campus Events</p> <p><i>Everyman Play</i> Performing Arts Center 8 p.m.</p> <p>CEN Comedy Mark Salsada Upper Commons 9 p.m.</p> <p>Concerts The Red Jumpsuit Apparatus, Hawthorne Heights, Amber Pacific and New Years Day Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel \$20 Doors 5 p.m. Show 6 p.m.</p> <p>Sunday</p> <p><i>Everyman Play</i> Performing Arts Center 2 p.m.</p>	<p>Campus Events</p> <p>International Education Week: Darfur Documentary "The Devil Came on Horseback" Hawk's Hangout 8 p.m.</p> <p>Concerts Avenge Sevenfold, The Confession, Black Tie Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel \$28 Doors 6:30 p.m. Show 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Campus Events</p> <p>Penny Arcade: Good Night & Good Luck CAS 152 7 p.m.</p> <p>Dance Club Show Rec Center 8 p.m.</p> <p>International Education Week: Latin American Film Series Intercultural Center 7 p.m.</p> <p>Concerts Papa Roach, 10 Years, Meriwether Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel \$25 Doors 7 p.m. Show 8 p.m.</p>	<p>Campus Events</p> <p>Global Fest Hawk's Hangout 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.</p> <p>Socrates Cafe: "What Makes You You?" Mary Tefft White Center 7 p.m.</p> <p>Penny Arcade: Monty Python & The Quest for the Holy Grail CAS 152 7 p.m.</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p>Campus Events</p> <p>International Education Week: Documentary "Voices From Darfur" Hawk's Hangout 7 p.m.</p> <p><i>Everyman Play</i> Performing Arts Center 8 p.m.</p>

News & Notes

The women's rugby team won the New England Rugby Football Union Championship 22-17 over the Coast Guard Academy on Sunday afternoon. The win extends the team's winning streak to 7-0 and gives them a shot at the national rugby championship title.

The Hawks will take on Gettysburg College on Saturday Nov. 17 at Stonehill College in Easton, Mass.

The men's swimming and diving team defeated Wheaton College 137-98 on Friday afternoon, giving them their first win of the season. The team's overall record now stands at 1-2.

The team will be back in action this Saturday at the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth Invitational, starting at 11:00 am.

The women's swimming and diving team lost 173-67 to Wheaton College on Friday afternoon. The team has yet to obtain their first victory of the season.

Junior Cara Naylor broke her own records in the 1-meter and 3-meter diving events. Naylor's scores of 217.8 in the 1-meter event and 208.65 in the 3-meter event broke the previous records of 210.5 and 205.

The team will be back in action this Saturday at the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth Invitational this Saturday at 11:00 am.

The women's cross-country team finished in 23rd place in the 2007 ECAC championships on Saturday afternoon. The team ended the day with a total score of 614 points.

The men's cross-country team gained a 25th place finish on Saturday afternoon in the 2007 ECAC championship race. Williams College ultimately won the day, with a total team score of 45.

BELL: Plays last game at RWU

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passion to play the game and watch the games with him. He was really, really good."

Antoine's father, better known as "Grand Jo" among his followers, is highly recognizable, especially in his homeland of Cameroon.

"In Cameroon it is crazy," Bell said. "People know his car. If they see his car they start waving."

As Bell continued to grow up in France, he remained an avid soccer player. At age 13, he experienced the greatest game of his life in Paris. Bell was a member of the Bordeaux Pro-Youth Team, who was playing the Real Madrid Pro-Youth Team at the Dannon Cup.

"The stadium is like, mythical," Bell said of the place that holds one of his fondest memories. "It's where the French National Team used to play."

Being the team's striker, the one who scores all the goals, it's easy to imagine the pressure Bell faced. In a stadium so large that it could fit almost every citizen of Bermuda, he made the "PK" - or Penalty Kick - to win the game.

As he continued to play, Bell realized the high demands that the sport had. With a constant back and forth lifestyle of going to school, making the trip to practice, playing, and doing homework, he began feeling a

strain on his life.

"My dad was like, 'Well, you can only go to practice twice a week,' but if you go twice a week you don't play on the weekends. It's like a gamble," Bell said. "So I figure it's safer to go to school which I did."

He attended Bridgton Academy, a Maine prep school where attendees stay for one year. There, Bell roomed with Matt Smith, who is now a senior at RWU.

"I was his captain in soccer up at BA," Smith said. The two grew close for the year they spent together at Bridgton. "He is one of the family basically. He gave his flowers on Senior Day to my mother."

After leaving BA, Smith came to RWU while Antoine went to Kutztown University in Philadelphia.

"I got the sense he hated it there at Kutz so I told him that I am one of the few people he knows in The States so come to RWU and the rest is history," Smith said.

Upon his acceptance to RWU, Antoine began playing soccer for the Hawks while studying marketing and brand management. Keeping his position as striker, he made continual impressions on his teammates.

"He is one of the best forwards this school has had and he shows this with his back to back CCC Player of the Year Awards," said Brandon O'Donovan, junior left-midfield player for the Hawks.

Senior center midfielder

Evan Solis said Bell is "the best player I have ever played with."

Like Cook said, with Antoine "the team always comes first." "If my teammates were terrible, I'd never score 18 goals," said Bell.

Not only was Antoine's on-the-field spirit unique, but so were his yellow cleats.

"They are designer shoes and really, really thin so you can get a good feel of the ball," Bell said of his bright kicks. "The yellow is just because I like to have fun when I play."

"Someone should only wear cleats that flashy if his or her game can back it up. Antoine definitely has the game," said senior captain midfielder Kevin Canty.

Now that the Hawks season is over, where does that leave Antoine? "This is my last year playing," he said. "I've made myself at peace with not playing soccer awhile ago."

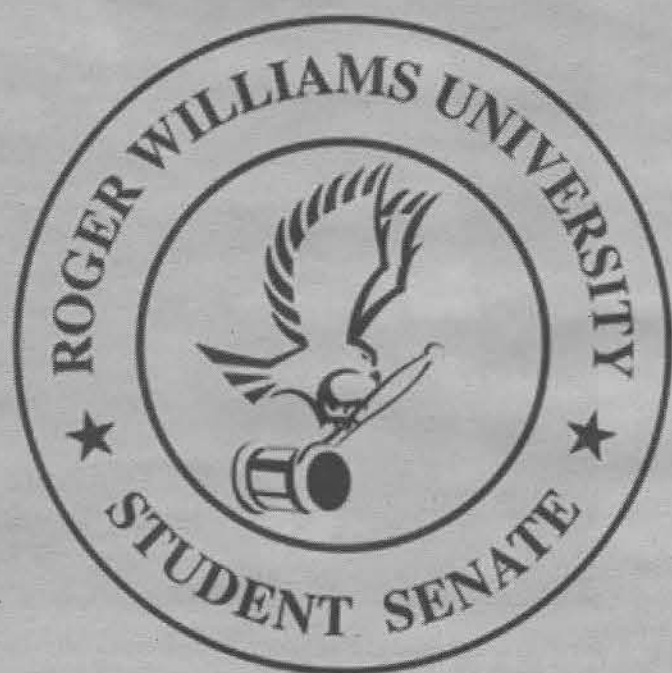
Antoine has learned an important lesson through his experiences in soccer. "People can forget cultural and racial boundaries for 90 minutes," he said of his beloved sport. He takes with him his experiences here at RWU as he continues on to get his MBA in marketing.

As for those he leaves behind, O'Donovan sums it up in Antoine's language: "As Je manquerais jouer le long du côté vous home," he said, which translates as "I will miss playing alongside you man."

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SOCCKER: Wins first tourney game, ECAC

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in with a sliding shot from inside the right box by junior Kristin O'Gorman.

The Hawks kept the momentum throughout the rest of the half, outshooting the Colonels 10-4 into the final minutes of the game. With seconds remaining in regulation time, senior Caitlin Mayo earned a free kick when sophomore Amanda da-Cunha was knocked down inside the box during a score attempt.

It looked as if the game might go into overtime, but senior Mary da-Cunha headed Mayo's free kick into

the net to give the Hawks the win with 11 seconds to spare.

Wednesday's victory marked the ninth win of the year in the net for sophomore goalkeeper Jen Garside, who made a total of six saves in the game. Garside was named the RWU female athlete of the week for her contributions to the Hawk's win over Western New England College in the CCC semifinals and her achievement in keeping the championship match against Endicott scoreless to force an overtime period.

"I was really excited about that," Kiablick said. "I think she has really stepped up in the playoffs."

PICKS: Jake's best bets

the Patriots got hosed on so many calls is ridiculous. There was one bad pass interference call in the game and things like that happen. There are bad calls in every single game, in every sport. To blame anything on the refs, win or lose, in any sport, is just plain silly. If the Patriots are as good as everyone who said they would blow them out, then one or two bad calls shouldn't prevent them from still winning by two touch-

Jake's record so far:
Overall: 22-23
Last Week: 8-5
Monday Night: 4-1

downs. But apparently it did. Onto this weeks picks. Again my picks are in bold. Cleveland at Pittsburgh Minnesota at Green Bay Philadelphia at Washington Jacksonville at Tennessee Atlanta at Carolina Denver at Kansas City Buffalo at Miami St. Louis at New Orleans Cincinnati at Baltimore Chicago at Oakland Dallas at New York (Giants) Detroit at Arizona Indianapolis at Sand Diego San Francisco at Seattle (Monday Night)

Career ends for RWU soccer star Bell

Michelle Bazinet
Herald Staff

Getting stuck in traffic or spending a few hours in a car isn't so dreadful for Antoine Bell. For him, weekend trips are out of the question. Calling up your parents and speaking to them in a different language seems unreal.

When your mother, father, and little brother live in Africa, it's not as simple as crossing a couple of bridges. For Bell, this is a reality, and another of his many journeys.

"My family lives in Africa. I only have one brother, and he lives in Cameroon. It's at least a 30 hour trip," he said.

The role Bell fills in his family of being a son and a big brother is something that is consistent, regardless of anything else.

"I've been to Spain, Germany, Italy, Great Britain," he said as he flips through his memory with a smile, as if he is appreciating all that he has gotten to accomplish in his 22 years.

Head men's soccer coach Jim Cook points out Antoine's demeanor when asked what has remained



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Senior Antoine Bell plays in the team's Sept. 1 season opener against Utica College. The Hawks lost the match with a final score of 0-1

the same about his star striker who finished his RWU career last week.

"He is the same humble, caring individual" Cook said.

Antoine was born in Cairo, grew up in France, and visits family in Cameroon. He spent his childhood traveling wherever his father's professional soccer team took him. He moved to the United States and won the hearts of his peers and teammates at RWU. Come graduation in May of 2008, his journey will only continue.

Antoine's many adven-

tures began when he started following in his father's footsteps. He began playing soccer at age five in France. He played any position other than goalie to avoid comparisons with his father, who played in three World Cups and was awarded the title of African Goalkeeper of the Century.

Antoine's father, Joseph Bell, was his source of inspiration as a child.

"I would go to all his games and all his practices," he said. "He gave me the

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Best Bets: Jake is not talking about the past

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Last week, I applied some changes to the way I will be picking games for the rest of the year. I decided to pick every game each week, without using any spreads, because this is the way the writers at ESPN do their picks each week. I was skeptical about picking 13 games last week but it finally paid off. With an 8-5 record last week, the most wins over .500 all year, I improved my overall record to 22-23, only 1 game under .500. With a big week this week, it isn't unfair to say I can be on my way to a pretty good second half of the season.

I decided that this week, I am not going to talk about all the games I won and lost and how each game last week played out. This week I am talking about one thing and one thing only, Patriots versus Colts.

We all know how big of a game it was; we all know it could be the difference between home field advantage and even an undefeated season for each team. We all know how it ended.

To say the Patriots were going to absolutely destroy the Colts is completely absurd. Seriously, I completely understand the Patriots are extremely good and are the best

team in the NFL, I don't argue that. But in the NFL, there is so much parity that any team can beat any other team on any given day. The Colts were undefeated going into that game as well, and lets not forget they are the defending super bowl champions.

Since all the Patriots fans seem to make up excuses for when they lose or when they play a close game, I decided I would be the bigger man and not mention that Peyton Manning only lost by four points without even having Marvin Harrison on the field.

Also, I wouldn't put it past the Patriots to pay off Adam Vinatieri for missing the first field goal of the game. Seriously, what is it with all these Boston based athletes who play on other teams and just talk about how much they loved their Boston teams.

So it might be crazy to say that Vinatieri missed the kick on purpose but think about it, is it really that crazy. One of the most loved Patriots of all time, who has NEVER in his entire career missed a field goal in the RCA dome just happens to miss his first one against his beloved home team in the biggest game in the NFL in the past 10 years. Is it really that crazy?

Also, for all those who say

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CHEER: Participating in national competition

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Simmons became our new coach. He was on the same page as us, and that was lacking in our team before," Hudak said. "Everyone has a competitive attitude."

Junior Alexa Allen agreed.

"The organization and dedication of our team was not emphasized by the first coach," Allen said. "Shawn has completely changed our team into a wonderful, dedicated, spirited group of girls who have a common goal of being be the best."

The process to compete for a bid to Nationals proved difficult since RWU does not attend many competitions.

"Organizations came to school to a camp we held," Hudak said.

While judging the squad, an NCA judge assessed the team on criteria that would set them in a nationally competitive category. The squad was judged on crowd leading ability, their potential to grow and the squad member's overall attitude.

As a small, new team with a great deal of growth potential, RWU's cheerleaders received their first bid to the National competition.

"[NCA] is one of the most known national competitions," junior Gianna Rinaldi said. "It cost a lot of money to send a team to nationals."

The team will compete at the Division II level at NCA against schools like Salem State, UMASS Dartmouth, Wesleyan and NYU.

In order to send the team to nationals, it will cost \$25,000. The squad has a number of fundraising ideas in order to raise the money.

"We are going to be holding a competition for local cheerleading squads to attend," Allen said. "We are also holding a clinic next semester that is going to be bringing in a good portion of our money."

Rinaldi expressed excitement about the squad's ability to hold other squads in the area.

"We really enjoy getting involved with the community and this overall would be a great experience."

Women's soccer wins first round of ECAC after CCC loss

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After a 1-0 overtime loss to Endicott College on Saturday in the Commonwealth Coast Conference Championship, the women's soccer team came back to win the first round of the Eastern College Athletic Conference 2-1 over Curry College.

With the win, the second seeded Hawks will advance to take on the number sixth seeded Keene State on Saturday afternoon. Saturday's game will be a first for both teams, as they have never played each other before.

"It was really disappointing to lose in the finals, because I definitely think we're one of the best teams in New England," head coach Emily Kiablick said. "But it's great to be recognized as the second seed in the ECAC, so we've moved on."

Kiablick said that her team has never made it to the ECAC tournament before and that it is a credit to the dedication her players have shown on the field this season.

"Starting the season off strong and maintaining that throughout the whole year is not easy to do and they definitely did it," Kiablick said.



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Members of the women's soccer team celebrate following their 2-1 victory over Curry College in the first round of the ECAC Division III on Wednesday.

Before Wednesday's game, Kiablick said that Curry was one of the strongest teams in the CCC and that a win would depend on how well the Hawks were able to defend against the team's top players while countering offensively.

Both teams came out strong, matching each other in shot attempts and defensive blocks for the first 26 minutes. However, things changed in

minute 26 when a shot attempt from Curry freshman Brooke DeLuca found the back of the net, raising the score to 1-0.

Although the Hawks outshot the Colonels 7-5 by the end of the first half, the score remained in Curry's favor at halftime. The Hawks came out a full throttle in the second half and tied the game two minutes

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