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Students restore historic replicas

Kelleigh Welch
Features Editor

With three arched doors, leading to an interior of a high ceiling nave, held up by multiple exterior flying buttresses, the image that comes to mind is a typical 13 century Gothic Cathedral. However, with a central rose window that meets your nose and decorative gargoyles the size of your pinky finger, you realize this giant is a scale model.

As part of the core academic requirement at Roger Williams University, all students must take a senior seminar class in order to graduate. Some students take this class during their winter intersession, dedicating two and a half weeks to intense papers and lectures, in hopes of knocking their requirement out of the way.

However, for one senior seminar class, taught by professor Rebecca Leuchak of the School of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation, 23 students were given a chance to restore and display 11 scale models created by hobbyist Merrill E. Holt, in an exhibit titled "A Model Passion."

The exhibit, running January 23 to February 29 in the gallery of the School of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation, is one of the most detailed pieces of Holt's restored models.

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Kelleigh Welch

Standing at six feet, the 13 century French Cathedral is one of the most detailed pieces of Holt's restored models.

Student wrongfully arrested

Phil Devitt
Herald Staff

Felony charges are being dropped against a Roger Williams junior, one week after he was wrongfully arrested on possession of a stolen vehicle, Portsmouth police confirmed Wednesday.

Benjamin Williams, 21, was arrested around midnight Jan. 21, after being pulled over in Portsmouth because of a broken taillight on his 1997 Audi, a car he said he bought from a used car dealership in Vermont only days earlier.

When police ran a routine computer check on the car, they discovered its vehicle identification number matched that of a car that had been reported stolen to the Providence Police Department last August.

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Hollywood comes to Bristol



Phil Devitt

Richard Gere makes a quick getaway from the High Street set of his new movie "Hachiko: A Dog's story." Filming moves to Kingston and Woonsocket this week.

Phil Devitt
News Editor

If you couldn't drive down High Street earlier this week, blame Richard Gere. Yes, the actor.

The Golden Globe winner literally stopped traffic Monday when production on his new movie shut down the south stretch of the street in front of the historic, white-shingled house his character calls home.

Gere and co-star Joan Allen have spent the past two weeks filming at the house in downtown Bristol, a temporary Hollywood for the cast and crew of a movie originally slated to film in New York.

Inspired by a 1987 Japanese film, "Hachiko: A Dog's Story" is based on a true tale about the bond between a college professor, played by Gere, and the abandoned Akita dog he takes into his home.

Gere, also the film's producer, ended up in Bristol because Rhode Island's film and television tax incentives make production cheaper than it would be in many other states.

He and director Lasse Hallstrom initially scouted out locations in New York and Connecticut, closer to their homes, before settling on Rhode Island. They said they didn't have enough money to see the project through elsewhere.

"We would have shut down the film, and then we started looking in Rhode Island," Gere said at a State House news conference a few days before filming started. "And although we can't see our wives and we're only going to see our kids on weekends, you have a wonderful town."

Hallstrom previously directed "What's Eating Gilbert Grape," "Chocolat" and "The Cider House Rules."

Signs of Tinseltown were sprinkled throughout Bristol last week, as the cast and crew got in their cozy New England digs: trailers packed into a Thames Street parking lot, catering on Burnside Street, yellow "HCK" signs on roadsides pointing to the set and a jungle of cameras, lights, wires and microphones outside 18 High St.

Dozens of diehard Gere fans huddled on the sidewalk outside the house each day of filming with camera phones and autograph books. Some waited hours in the brutal cold just to catch a glimpse of the "Pretty Woman" actor.

And a glimpse is what they got. Most days, when done with his scenes, Gere would emerge from the garage on the side of the house, wave and smile to the crowd as they shouted his name, get into the front passenger seat of a black GMC Acadia and be whisked away to destinations unknown.

Within seconds, the people would disperse, happy with their brief celebrity sighting.

Spectators got into a routine by the end of last week, showing up around 8 a.m. for Gere's arrival, coming back around noon for the lunch break and

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New campus policy restricts smoking areas

Sarah Cournoyer
Editor

In an effort to reduce secondhand effects of smoking, university officials instituted a policy to confine smokers to designated smoking areas. The policy took effect January 20, 2008.

Gazebos around campus mark the smoking areas. A committee made up of faculty, staff and two students put together the plan.

"The committee felt strongly that in order to reduce litter and secondhand smoke, they needed to move smoking out of inner campus," Vice President of Student Affairs John King said.

The committee, however, did not want to exile students to the outer parking lots nor did they want to ban smoking altogether.

Because of the decision to not ban smoking, Resident Assistant (RA) Dom Lombardi said he thinks students are more cooperative with the policy.



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FIRST CLASS MADLIB

BY: THEODORE APPLEBAUM

Ever noticed how similar first classes tend to be? So similar they are almost... fill in the blank?

Generic first class Madlib

Alright, let's get started. Welcome to _____ 101. If this is not the class
class
 you intended to be in, then this is your time to leave. I'm going to take attendance. Is _____ here? Do you prefer to be called _____ or
full name name
 _____? I'm will try to remember your names, but I'm getting old so my _____
nickname noun
 is like a _____. I'm Dr. _____ and I've been teaching this class for
object last name
 _____ years. I'm going to try to make this course _____ and interesting.
number adjective
 Man you guys look tired! Was it a late night or something? Drink a little bit too much _____. (The class laughs at obligatory drug reference,
Alcoholic beverage
 thinking "hey, profs kind of cool")! Remember, I was once in college too. I know a little bit about _____. Did everyone get a syllabus? The required
slang drug name
 texts for this class are _____ for Dummies, Introduction to _____, and the
Noun Verb
 _____ Primer. Please buy them and bring them to class as they are very
TV show
 _____ and we will use them every week. You all know the plagiarism
Adjective
 policy. If I catch you plagiarizing, I will be forced to _____ you. I am
Cruel Punishment
 going to let go early today. See you all Thursday.

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Lessons I have learned from Abroad Lesson One: The Irish and Alcohol

Courtney Nugent
Herald Staff

Walking around the National University of Ireland: Galway campus today I came across a flier for an International Students Society event: "Flip Cup and Karaoke Night this Thursday at College Bar" (that's right, there is a bar on campus). "Bring your friends and your game face!"

I laughed, not because I was shocked that NUIG would be advertising an event that would supply alcohol to students, but because after living for one month, Galway, I am now accustomed to these sightings.

Coming to NUIG, a university that has an entire week, "Rag Week," dedicated to drinking from sun up to sun down, from RWU, a campus that does not offer safe drivers to their students because it might condone underage drinking, was shocking at first.

The drinking age: 18. Drinking nights: Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (they watch "Desperate Housewives," on Tuesdays and they go home on the weekends). Places to buy alcohol: everywhere. Whether you are in a fancy restaurant at 5 p.m., a grocery store at noon, or a pub at 1 a.m., there is always a place for you to buy a pint in Ireland.

You would think this relaxed nature would change the Irish outlook on binge drinking, but it does not in the slightest. I have seen just as many Irish students as visiting students stumbling around City Center in Galway, puking on the streets.

And a word to the wise: never

challenge Irish students to any kind of chugging, shot-gunning or shot-taking competition. They will win.

What I have noticed, however, is the amount of respect associated with alcohol and those who do or do not choose to drink. Heading into a pub, you can choose to drink yourself into a blackout or sit and listen to the nightly Irish music and watch the older couples perform Irish step dances. In a club, there are just as many young men groping you as there are men pushing the scumbags away.

The biggest change comes in the complete intolerance for drunk driving here in Ireland. In the first week of arriving in Galway, I heard from one of my Irish flat mates that "Rag Week" is a "brilliant wreck," and I sheepishly asked him how they got around to the pubs during this week. His grin quickly turned into a stone-cold glare as he responded, "We walk. We don't drink and drive. Ever."

Even if this walking includes sprinting through one of the most frantic 'roundabouts' (or rotaries for all you New Englanders) I have ever encountered, this is better than getting behind the wheel while intoxicated.

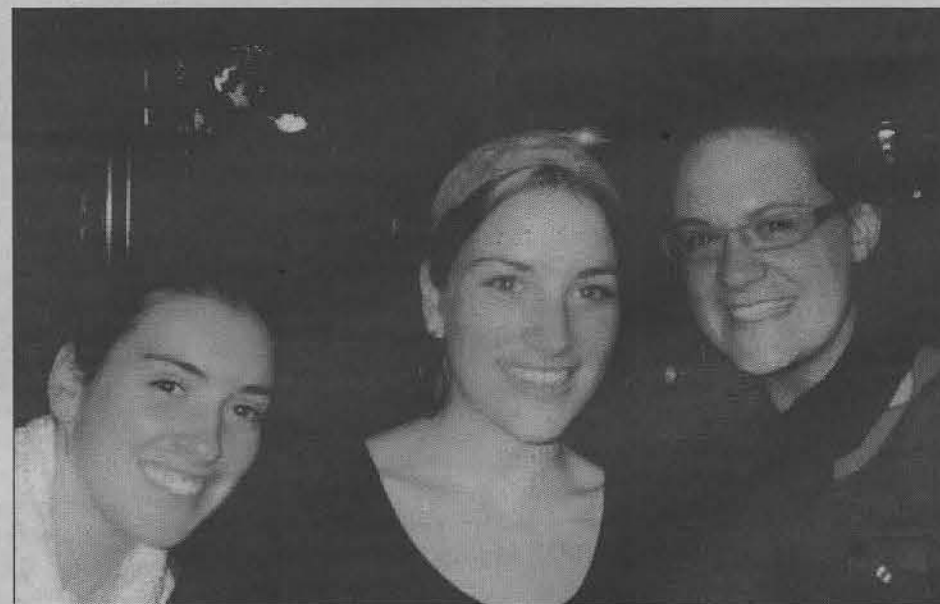
So, while I have learned that the Irish sometimes cannot handle their liquor and party as much as they can, like all you at RWU, they have a sense of respect and decency for their fellow classmates that is lacking in the states.

Slainte (cheers), and be safe.

Look for more lessons from abroad next week!



Courtesy of Courtney Nugent
Gaynor's Bar in Ireland is famous for being featured in "The Quiet Man." RWU students Sarah Croft, Allie Bird and Courtney Nugent hang out in an Irish pub listening to live music.



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"FIRST" SENIOR ACTING PROJECTS DRAWS IN BIG CROWD

Lorin Richardson
Asst. Features Editor

On an iridescent starry New Years Eve, two past acquaintances found themselves in a reunion they had always dreamed of. "First Night" was a Senior Showcase performed by Rob Saunders and Lindsey Meyers last Friday and Saturday night at Roger Williams in the Performing Arts Center. The plot focuses on characters Meredith and Danny who had not seen each other for 20 years, after Meredith chose to leave 8th grade to become a nun in the convent.

Still their memories of one another bring out a romantic comedy filled with a wide range of laughter and confronting past 8th grade

crushes. Saunders and Meyers worked on the play for three weeks, seven days a week for at least four hours before the final production. Rob Saunders, senior Business and Theatre major talked about the decision process, "Lindsey and I chose this play because it was going to be a challenge... Comedy is a whole other world. Everyone thinks it's easy to stand up and make people laugh but after this experience I can honestly say it's been one of my harder projects yet."

The set was designed by senior Karl Pettier and the stage manager was sophomore Kevin Finch Fennell. The play was also directed by Peter Wright. Lindsey Meyers, senior Theatre and Edu-

cation major was grateful for the Wright's help. "Peter Wright is very attentive detail and it was really helpful in creating a solid performance."

Set in a present day video store, the audience was captivated in the set and feel as if they were walking into a video store, with even special effects such as snow outside the window.

Each character also showed different interactions with the audience throughout the play, resulting a mix of moods and interpretations. There was even a scene with a video box fight that resulted in the crowd roaring with laughter. Saunders summarizes: "They go their separate ways and live their separate

lives, and now here comes this new years eve when what should have happened twenty years ago when they were 13 can happen now, and I think the audience loves being a part of that realization and acceptance that love

is really there and for the taking if you're willing to take a risk."

Upcoming senior acting performances include "Waiting for Godot" on February 8 and 9.



Letter of thanks

Dear Students of the Student Volunteer Association:

We were overwhelmed with your generosity and kindness on Wednesday when you delivered the presents for our families. We want to give a special thanks to Carolyn Ciampa and Michele D'Addio. I can't believe that even during exam week, you organized, wrapped, sorted and delivered all the fabulous presents for us. Your parents must be so proud of your community service and commitment to those in need.

I only wish that you could have seen the eyes of those families as they picked up the gifts to place under their trees. Many of the recipients were in tears. It is going to be such a wonderful Christmas for the families you have assisted. Things are very difficult for many of our families this year especially with the high costs of heating their homes and the continuing escalating food costs. You have helped so many people this year.

We can't begin to properly thank you and all the people of Roger Williams University who participate so generously during thanksgiving and Christmas. We are blessed to have you as partners in our community.

Thank you all, and may you all have a wonderful Christmas and a great New Year.

Sincerely,
Mary Lero
School Nurse
Byfield and Reynolds Schools

PRODUCT OF THE WEEK Go NATURAL!

Carey Baldwin
Herald Staff

The green wave that seems to be gripping the nation has pulled me under too. I haven't stopped shaving my legs or washing my hair but I have decided to go green with Go Natural! a revolutionary nail polish that is hypoallergenic, odorless and a non-toxic alternative.

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How to: Make a good first impression

Nicole Pitts
Herald Staff

I guarantee that by following the guidelines below, you will gain the respect and possible friendship of your professors.

Sit in the front row of the class and try to keep eye contact while the professor is talking. Always come prepared. By doing these things, the professor notices you and the fact that you are paying attention.

Say hello to professors outside of the classroom, and use their name.

There is nothing more offensive to a professor than a student in class that is late, talking, drawing, sleeping or doing homework for another class. If you need to yawn, close your mouth! They do notice the students who do these things, and are much less likely to give extra help, extra credit, and letters or recommendation to them.

Just think about this – when you have made oral presentations in class, didn't you want all eyes on you? Professors regard their education highly and the information that they

teach is important – if it wasn't, they wouldn't waste their time! If you are bored, don't show it – it's just disrespectful.

Don't be absent too much. This shows the professor that you don't care. Don't miss quizzes or exams either, and if you must, make previous arrangements with the professor to make up what you missed. If you know you will be absent, try to tell the professor as much in advance as possible and do assignments early instead of late.

If you are absent without previous arrangements, email or call the professor to get what you missed so that you can be prepared for the next class.

Ask questions! Try to get involved in class. I know this can be difficult in an 8 a.m. class or if you are shy, and if this is the case, stay after for a couple minutes to chat with the professor either to clarify things (which could also be done in an office appointment) or to talk about something that interests you. Ask if he or she has any research interests or

journals to show that you are interested in the subject matter.

Email the professor links to interesting websites regarding the course material – not dirty jokes or porn obviously (great way to ruin all efforts)!

By signing up for a class, you are making a commitment to put the most effort that you can into it – from beginning to end. After midterms, it is easy to lose interest and want the semester to just be over. Stay strong, though, and your professor will appreciate it.

Invite the professor to a school social function if they seem like they would have fun. This is a great way to get to know them better on a personal or human-being level instead of a

professional up-on-a-pedestal level.

However, do not cross the student-teacher boundary, ask intrusive or personal questions, or complain about a grade. These are good ways to get onto the professors you-know-what list. Don't be a brown-noser, either (gifts give this away immediately). Professors can tell when you're sucking up for a good grade or are genuinely interested.

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ARREST: Police error causes trouble for student

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Despite showing the officers his license and temporary registration, Williams was arrested, jailed for 12 hours and arraigned the next day at Rhode Island Superior Court for possession of a stolen vehicle, an offense punishable by up to 18 months in prison.

"I wasn't going to freak out because, in the long run, it would look bad in court if I did," said Williams, a self-described calm person. "I knew I bought the car from a dealership. It wasn't some person who sold me the car, so there had to have been a mistake."

Williams' car was once owned by the woman who filed the stolen vehicle report, but it was repossessed and moved to an auction house in Vermont about a year ago, according to Deputy Chief Paul Valente of the Portsmouth Police Department.

The woman then purchased a 1997 Acura and attached to it the license plate registered for her Audi, a practice Valente said is legal only if done temporarily. Before the woman could register her Acura with new plates, the car was stolen. When she reported the theft to Providence police, the registration for her Audi, not her Acura, was entered into the system.

Valente said his officers fol-

lowed standard procedure in arresting Williams because his vehicle identification number appeared in the National Crime Information Center database, where Providence police had entered it.

"Providence has admitted to a clerical error," Valente said.

The Providence Police Department did not return phone calls Wednesday seeking comment on the "clerical error" and information about the woman who filed the stolen vehicle report.

Williams said the authorities realized that they made a mistake only when they handed the woman the keys to her old Audi and she told them her car was an Acura.

Valente said the Portsmouth Police Department is working with the Rhode Island Attorney General's Office to drop Williams' felony charge.

"When all is said and done, there will be no record that anybody was arrested," he said.

Williams, a public relations major, said he has no plans to pursue legal action against anybody, though he expects the Attorney General's Office and Mayor David Cicilino to reprimand Providence Police Department.

"I'm personally not after any money. The thing that matters to

me the most is that this doesn't happen to someone else again. I don't want a wrongful arrest to happen to another young college student."

Williams said his friends "definitely had a good laugh" about his arrest because jail is the last place they would expect him to spend the night.

He said that after an eventful week, he is eager to "move on with life because I can't keep thinking about it." The evening he spent in lockup is one he would rather forget.

"Knowing I'm not going to go home at 12 in the morning and sleep isn't fun. I never sat there and cried or punched anything, though. I was in disbelief."

Valente called Williams' arrest an "unfortunate incident" but said Williams and the police handled it correctly.

"He didn't get upset or do anything illegal as a result of him being arrested, which is good."

Upon Williams' arrest, his Audi was impounded by Portsmouth police, but he was reunited with it on Tuesday after a week of "begging" his friends for rides to campus from his Bristol residence.

"I only got the car a week ago," he said. "Now I'm ready to enjoy it."

MOVIE: Gere, Allen films in Ocean State

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lingering through the afternoon to see Gere off around sunset. A few fans got into a mini panic last Friday when lunch was delivered to the house and the routine was broken.

"You know it's a bad sign when they're bringing in food," one woman said that frigid afternoon. "They're not coming out for a while."

She hurried across the street to her car and blasted the heat, warming up for at least another hour outside.

Other fans tried to get on the good side of the security guards, bringing them coffee and warm take-out meals. Some got right to the point and asked any crew member who would listen: "Do you need any extras?" The answer was usually no.

After nearly two weeks in Bristol, filming was scheduled to begin this week in Woonsocket and at the University of Rhode Island campus in Kingston.

"Hachiko" is the latest in a growing list of feature films to take advantage of Rhode Island's tax credits. "27 Dresses," the Katherine Heigl romantic comedy, was shot mostly in Providence. "Dan in Real Life," starring Steve Carrel, was shot in Newport and Jamestown. And parts of "Evening," starring Claire Daines and Meryl Streep, were shot on Mt. Hope Farm last year.

"Brotherhood," a Showtime series about corruption and politics in Rhode Island, is slated to film its third season in the Ocean State this summer.

It's an industry that Steven Feinberg, director of the Rhode Island Film and Television Office, wants to see expand in the coming years.

"We are Rhode Island, the smallest state, but we've got the greatest back lot," he said.

Roger Williams University Student Conduct Brief *Fairness • Honesty • Integrity*

In proactive communication, the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards highlights selected student discipline statistics. The outcomes of cases during summer and fall 2007 resulting in suspension or expulsion from RWU are listed below. Suspension from the University typically is minimally for 1 semester up to an indefinite time and begins immediately. When a student is suspended, they must complete educational sanctions such as counseling to be eligible to return.

Expulsion is permanent and once found responsible, students are immediately withdrawn from their classes. Suspensions and expulsions are listed on students' academic transcripts. Students are responsible for financial obligations for the semester when the sanction occurred. During suspensions and expulsions, responsible individuals are banned from University property. In accordance with state and federal laws protecting the privacy of student records, identifying information in the following report, such as names and genders, is excluded.

Last semester, in addition to the below information, 8 students were removed and banned from housing for a minimum of 1 semester due to their 3rd alcohol violation.

Summer and Fall 2007 Student Disciplinary Suspensions (6)

- 1 suspension for fighting and engaging in disorderly conduct under the influence of alcohol. The student was arrested.
- 1 suspension for multiple violations of the alcohol policy, failure to comply with University personnel and violation of probation.
- 1 suspension for multiple violations of the Conduct Code, falsifying University documents, violation of residence hall ban, and violation of probation.
- 1 suspension for physical assault and engaging in disorderly conduct under the influence of alcohol. The student was arrested.
- 1 suspension for setting a vehicle on fire. This off campus incident required Police and Fire Department response. The student was arrested.
- 1 suspension for gaining unauthorized access to a University building and engaging in behavior which was harassing and disorderly. The student was arrested.

Summer and Fall 2007 Student Disciplinary Expulsions (4)

- 1 expulsion for physical assault and engaging in disorderly conduct. The student was arrested.
- 1 expulsion for sexual misconduct, disorderly conduct, failure to comply with University personnel and underage alcohol use.
- 1 expulsion for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, disorderly conduct, threatening community members, and failing to comply with University personnel. The student was arrested.
- 1 expulsion for distribution and possession of drugs and drug paraphernalia. The student was found responsible for selling a quantity of marijuana and was arrested.

We hope to create an awareness of response to community disruptions as well as to educate students to **think before you act and please make good decisions that will benefit the community**. Education, restoration, and protection are the intended outcomes of the Student Conduct system. We seek to enhance the educational missions of the University and the Division of Student Affairs by setting and promoting high standards while treating each student with dignity and respect. If there are questions about the process or behavioral concerns, please contact us at 254-3042 or contact an RA, Core, or Public Safety.

Students illegally squat on campus

Dee DeQuattro
Asst. News Editor

On entry level incomes, graduates are expected to pay rent, car insurance, and student loans; some grads are finding these expectations impossible. Returning home to live with parents is just not an option for these struggling grads but for the few, the sly, and the very crafty there is a lesser-known option to meet their housing needs: squatting.

There is a growing concern among college officials that more and more graduates these days are pursuing the very appealing option of returning to campus and living in a friend's dorm for free. College officials at RWU often deny the fact that there are people living illegally in the residence halls.

"In some cases it is almost the opposite, we have students that pay for housing that do not live in their rooms," Director of Housing Tony Montefusco said.

Specific incidents throughout Bayside and Almieda contradict this theory. In December, there were at least two Bayside squatters and one Almieda squatter, and in the past six months, more have come and gone.

The squatters and those who house them have requested anonymity. A male Almieda squatter claims, "It's fun. I see my friends all the time and I started a full time job."

For the first month and a half of school, one female, Bayside senior remembers the experience of housing a squatter.

"My friend graduated this past May and was not ready to leave college yet. She still knew a lot of people on campus and staying on campus was more appealing than moving back home. She could still participate in weekend social events in Bayside and work during the week with a free place to live."

The problem came when the squatter wouldn't leave. "My friend got really comfortable staying with me and stopped looking for a new place to live."

RWU does not have a specific squatter policy instead, RWU has a guest policy in place. Guests are allowed to stay two nights and three days in a seven-day period.

Vice President of Student Affairs John King says that housing campus squatters is "a violation of the guest policy as well as a deliberate attempt to take advantage of the university and its facilities." If a student is caught in violation of this policy the university would initiate student conduct charges leading to banning from residence halls, probation or suspension.

A senior male, who boarded a squatter in Almieda said, "I did it to help a friend, not to screw the school." Most of the people housing squatters appreciate having their friends around and are not discouraged that they do not pay.

"I am not exploiting the school," says a male squatter who graduated from RWU in 2007. "I am simply staying on my friend's couch that my friend paid for until I can find my own place."

Public safety director David

Smith disagrees, "It goes beyond the very simplistic view that they are just taking advantage of a past relation with the university."

Smith said "The issue of a student who has graduated or a stranger coming on campus and setting up life on private school grounds is potentially criminal."

Summer is also prime time for student squatters. It is not uncommon for grads to return to school for a summer-long stay in student housing. They stay with friends who have the legitimate

thousands of students and maybe a handful of us."

At Stanford University, numerous squatters have been caught living inside dorms, including one student who exploited facilities for over \$1,000. At Harvard, squatters were caught actually participating in student clubs and student activities.

At Rice University, a student was caught abusing all the advantages of student life, from gym privileges to dining facilities. Situations such as these are forcing

They blocked him in the bathroom with a couch until Public Safety responded. Public Safety called the police and chased the man off campus. No charges were filed. Gallagher says he and other students may have been at fault.

"You don't really think about it. You just let people in, you think they are here for a reason."

Smith acknowledges student mistakes could leave facilities vulnerable to strangers.

"Students prop doors open to bypass the card access system... That gives someone else the opportunity to get in." Smith said, "You can't compromise safety in the name of convenience."

Another incident of a break in on the RWU campus took place this summer. Smith says, "We had an event where someone had wandered in off the street and was found hiding in a...women's bathroom in MNS."

Currently there is a warrant for the man's arrest.

Public safety officers are not able to identify all the trespassers on Campus, and therefore must depend on students to make them aware of offenders.

"We do rely on the students to let us know if that there is something going on out there that is criminal. Part of the balance we try to have is that you don't have a police officer walking through your dorm hallway every single day," says Smith. On a final note Smith warns students, "Those are the kinds of things that put other students at risk, the kind of things that raise the costs of services."

"I am simply staying on my friend's couch that my friend paid for until I can find my own place."

- Alumni squatter

right to summer housing.

"I just don't think it is a big deal over the summer. No one is living here anyways... [when the squatters] moved in upstairs it made it more fun having them around.. I thought it was awesome," said a senior orientation advisor who witnessed campus squatters in Bayside over the summer.

Unlike RWU, other schools throughout the country are making an effort to keep squatters out of campus dormitories.

"At RWU, it is primarily the students' obligation to alert Public Safety of illegal guests and squatters" says Smith, "We have to rely on the honesty and integrity of students in many cases. There are

colleges to enact more rigid rules and regulations toward guest privileges on campus.

RWU has yet to report a single student squatter, however, abuse of campus facilities from outside interlopers has been documented. Last year in Nike Hall, a man from Bristol was consistently using the Nike showers and common room.

Sophomore Joe Gallagher remembers the first time he saw the man.

"He was in the boy's bathroom standing there naked. It was too early in the morning to pay attention."

After four similar incidents involving the same intruder, students alerted Public Safety.

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MODEL: Architecture exhibit on display through February

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vation, includes a collection of scale models varying from Colonial style facades and stair halls, to an intricate 13 century French Gothic Cathedral, and even a few local buildings, such as Belcourt Castle, the Newport Stone Tower, the Jamestown Windmill, and Trinity Church in Newport.

On Jan. 29, the exhibit held its official opening, students and faculty, along with Harle Tinney of Belcourt Castle and the current reverend of Trinity Church, Rev. Gary W. Goldacker, came to view the show.

"This exhibit is about the wider community beyond the campus," Leuchak said.

ney said. "It is the best way that Merrall Holt's work can be shown and appreciated by large groups of people."

Tinney loaned these models to Leuchak for the Senior Seminar class.

"She and I have worked together in the past. She's very supportive and enthusiastic about students using Belcourt as a learning laboratory," Leuchak said. "I had known about these models for a long time, and Dean Stephen White, Janet Zwolinski and I had been talking to Harle about exhibiting them for a long time, but we knew they were in need of repair."

Unlike the usual Historic Preservation classes, these

alistic representations of important buildings in our region and the world, but the fact that students from various academic disciplines worked collaboratively on this as a project. I am a firm believer that the best learning is integrated and interdisciplinary and this exhibit is a perfect example," President Roy J. Nirschel said.

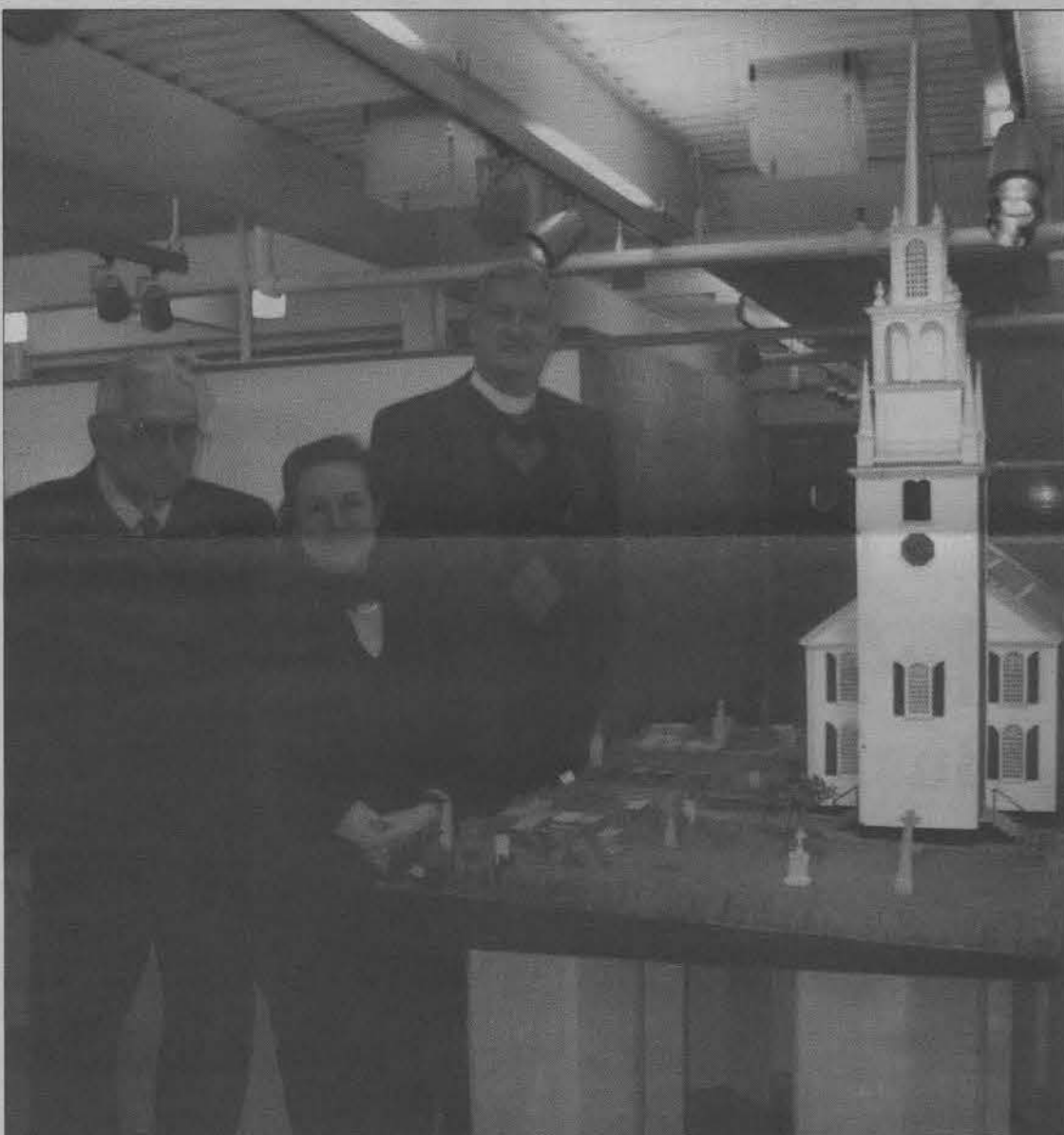
Vince Marrone, a senior Communications major at RWU, was assigned to restore the French Gothic Cathedral.

"I had to clean the model because it was really dusty and I had to reattach the gargoyles," Marrone said. "The class was fun though, and it was better than doing pa-



Kelleigh Welch

People visit the gallery opening in the architecture building. (Above) French Gothic Cathedral, (left) Trinity Church, (Below) Stone Tower



"The subject itself of reduced scale models is very appealing to people. Also, a lot of these models are actual copies of historic buildings in our area, and I hope that connection will bring a lot of people to the gallery who have never visited it before."

Holt created a model of a "French House," which according to RWU senior Jennifer Froling, was Holt's "dream house."

"The models were Holt's hobby and passion," Leuchak said.

In the 1970s, Tinney, a good friend of Holt's, purchased these models from him. However, according to Tinney, these models had been in storage since 1985, and were in desperate need of repair.

"I think this (the restored models) is wonderful," Tin-

students in the seminar came from different majors within the University.

"They applied their particular skills, whether in communications, in construction management, or in business, to one aspect of the project," Leuchak said. "None of the students had ever done something like this before."

Leuchak titles her senior seminar class "The Proper Order of Things?", and says the real emphasis is on the question mark.

"We investigate the cultural basis of the way we put our world in order. It has no fixed content and is more about epistemology," Leuchak said.

"The beauty of Professor Leuchak's course is not only the models themselves, which are attractive and re-

pers."

"They had a wonderful experience of working together to create from start to finish a wonderful exhibit," Leuchak said.

"The most challenging thing for me was figuring out what to do," Froling said. "There were parts we needed to choose to fix or not and still keep the historical integrity."

As you enter the exhibit, the models of Belcourt Castle and "The French House" welcome you. A Tudor Façade and a Colonial Façade hang on the wall to your left. In the center is a model called "The Round House," while behind that are two of the more interesting and detailed pieces of the exhibit: The 13th century French Gothic Cathedral and Newport's own Trinity

Church.

With the Trinity Church model, Holt used mathematics and scale to perfect every last detail of the building.

"It took four years for Holt to build Trinity Church," Froling said. "He measured every last timber and gravestone, and even did detail inside."

Observing Trinity Church can be overwhelming at times. According to Tinney, Holt perfectly measured every inch of the building. Even the ground is slanted at the scaled angle to match the hill the actual church was built on.

"He (Holt) said the worst part was the graveyard. He hated measuring each individual gravestone over and over," Tinney said.

The French Cathedral represents the Gothic style, without modeling a specific real-life Cathedral. The roof is made entirely of lead and

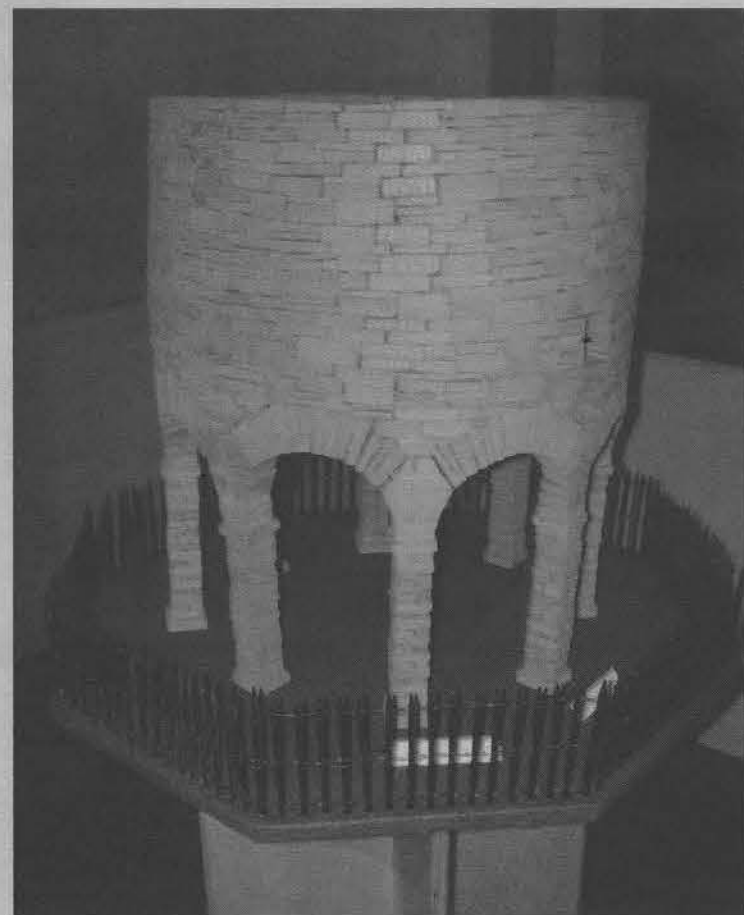
according to Tinney, was modeled with a 5/32 inch to the foot scale, and was done completely without a calculator. Overall, the Cathedral took Holt two years to complete.

"I can't imagine how much time it took (to make the models)," Architecture major Mandy Wannall said. "Compared to our models we make in studio, this must have taken forever."

Tinney had told a story during the opening about her friend, the photographer Keith Henry.

He came to visit her after one weekend, and presented her with a beautiful photograph of the interior of a Gothic cathedral, which can be seen behind the French Cathedral in the exhibit.

"I asked him if he had gone on vacation that weekend," Tinney said. "He laughed and said 'No. That's the inside of the model.'"



SMOKING: Banned from inner campus

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According to King, he has only received positive feedback. They did receive suggestions for a bigger gazebo between MNS and the Old Student Union and more gazebos in Bayside. Both suggestions will be executed. New gazebos in Bayside can be expected February 8.

There are also plans to include trash receptacles in the areas as they have become social spots for student smokers who may bring coffee or a snack with them.

The overall message to students is that the "community could have prohibited smoking clean and simple, but we felt it is an individual choice to smoke and whether or not to quit smoking."

However, the public affairs newsletter sent out over winter break announced the new policy and also announced a program to encourage students to quit. Health Services offers the nicotine patch to students free of charge this spring semester.

"At first I felt rebellious toward the policy, but now it feels unnatural when they don't smoke in the Gazebo," Greg Bem, a former smoker, said. "It's interesting that everyone just submitted to the policy. I haven't seen too many students outside the areas smoking."

Lombardi agreed that his residents have been very receptive.

"They are glad smoking wasn't completely banned," Lombardi said. "They also see it as a place to go with a roof over their heads."

However, the question of enforcing

ing the policy came up in the first stages, and Lombardi is concerned that doling out punishment will fall solely on RAs.

"As RAs, we shouldn't have to enforce the policy around our residence halls," Lombardi said. "No one else is doing that. It is just another way for an RA to look like Mr. Mean."

According to a press release issued from the office of Student Affairs, faculty and staff violations of the policy are matters of employment and will be dealt with by supervisors. Student violations will be treated as a violation of the student conduct code and be documented as such.

Even as a nonsmoker, Greg Walsh doesn't think administration should have had to make this policy.

"It's a wake up call to smokers to use butt outers. One of the biggest problems was the amount of cigarette butts scattered around campus," Walsh said. "If they were good this wouldn't have had to happen."

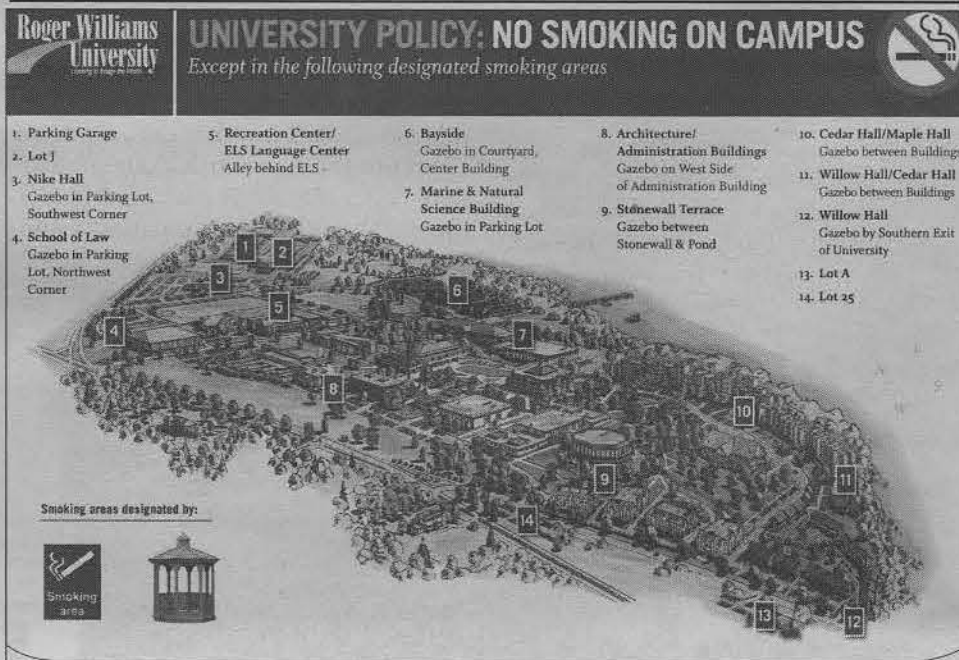
The positive feedback King received indicates to him that the policy seemed balanced to the students.

"We dedicated good resources to this project," King said. "We are not done and are open to making adjustments."

Questions about the policy may be directed to Dr. John King, V.P. for Student Affairs (jjking@rwu.edu) or Peter Wilbur, Interim V.P. for Human Resources and V.P. for Planning & Community Relations (pwilbur@rwu.edu).

10 Things to know about smoking at RWU

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3. All community members should be provided easy access to a campus map clearly identifying the designated smoking areas.
4. Installation of gazebo smoking shelters across campus marked as smoking areas and with appropriate seating and cigarette receptacles.
5. Elimination of cigarette receptacles within the core of the campus.
6. Installation of appropriate policy signage at key pedestrian access points from parking lots.
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Roger Williams: In good faith

Lorin Richardson
Asst. Features Editor

The Newman Club of Roger Williams University in conjunction with the Interfaith Council has launched a campaign to create a Religious center on our campus. In a letter to the Dean of Students, Kathleen McMahon, the students outlined several concerns they feel will prove the need for a spiritual center. "Members of the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, the Newman Club, Hillel, and the Muslim Student Association equally agree that there needs to be a social gathering or space for fellowship in the spiritual center."

The Newman Club maintains that the 3rd floor of the library isn't suitable to prayer space and the multi-cultural center was too small for religious gatherings. Students and a chaplain seeking a confessional are forced to the great outdoors instead of a safe, guarded space.

Campaign leaders are awaiting a response although Maria Atkins, the assistant director of the Interfaith Council hinted, "the Dean was excited and was going to put it in 20/20."

According to the Gallup poll, 86 percent of Americans believe in God while in 2004, 90 percent had faith. In 2006 40 percent of Americans thought that religion is increasing its influence, while 55 percent believe religion is losing its influence. Also in January of 2001, 64 percent of Americans said they were influenced by organized religion while in January 2007, 56 percent of Americans

agreed. On the Roger Williams campus according to a recent informal survey of 30 students 65% said that they believed in some sort of religion.

Many college campuses that are not organized around faith still utilize religious centers and religion studies on their campus. The University of Rhode Island offers a Catholic Center and Jewish Center as well as studies on religion.

Adrienne Henderson, the administrative assistant in the Multi-Cultural Center had a positive light to the growing membership of religions on campus. "I think the religious clubs have become more active. I see stronger leadership with students and advisors."

The Roger Williams campus has four known religious groups on campus: the Newman Club (Catholic), Hillel (Jewish), Inter Varsity (Protestant), and the Muslim Affiliation. Each has a diverse background, but all of them join together once a month to create the Interfaith Council. The Interfaith council is encompassed of all the club advisors, presidents and chaplains Pastor Dan Randall, Imam Farid Ansari, Reverend Dan Perri, and Rabbi Marc Jagolinzer.

The Newman club is a Catholic organization that has been active on campus for a couple years and serves Mass every Sunday night at 8 p.m. in CAS 162 for any followers that want to join. Vice President Cassie Carlson emphasized that "Especially after Father Perry did Ash Wednesday on campus people started coming to our

services. The problem is, that a lot of students still don't know who we are."

Hillel is a group of about 15 students and the group overall serves to more than 500 colleges and provides a secure, inclusive, and nurturing environment for all Jews. Josh Stein, the adviser says that the "group went to a synagogue for Rosh Hashanah. They were invited and they went about 12 of them."

Inter Varsity serves more than 35,000 students and faculty on more than 560 college and university campuses nationwide. On campus, it is the largest group, run by Senior Leah Sprague. Its mission statement is "In response to God's love, grace and truth: the purpose of Intervarsity Christian Fellowship/USA is to establish and advance at colleges and universities witnessing communities of students and faculty who follow Jesus as Savior and Lord in growing in love for God, God's Word." (Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship USA)

The Muslim Student Association had approximately 60 students who attended the services on Ramadan.

Poroma Kanya, an active member says that the club's purpose is "To educate students of the many different ways that people choose to live and celebrate living. There are a lot of festivities, which are part of many cultures around the world. Our goals to bring these fun celebrations forth and show to the campus that the MSA is proactive in the college community." They meet on Fridays at 5:30 pm.

Maria Atkins explained that other religions could also use the space. "They did a survey of incoming freshmen and there were only 2 or 3 Buddhist or Hindu, 1 or 2 Wicca or Pagan religion and if they wanted to come together to form their own club we would support it."

Some students seem to disagree with the overall use of the religious center.

Stein said "I don't know any of them (members of Hillel) that are concerned whether something is kosher or not. I think it would be correct to say Judaism, well it's not dead but it is not certainly alive on this campus."

In an informal survey conducted of the Roger Williams students, approximately 78 percent thought that a religious center would be used on our campus. The majority thought that about half the students at RWU are religious.

Emily Bartram, President of the Newman Club said "Their parents have fallen back from the church or they are raised Catholic- our society has shied away from those things. We have to know the truth about everything, everything has to be black and white where in religion everything can be grey."

Perhaps we should realize religion and spirituality is simply another discipline to be added to the mix that can turn you out of RWU as a model of liberal education.

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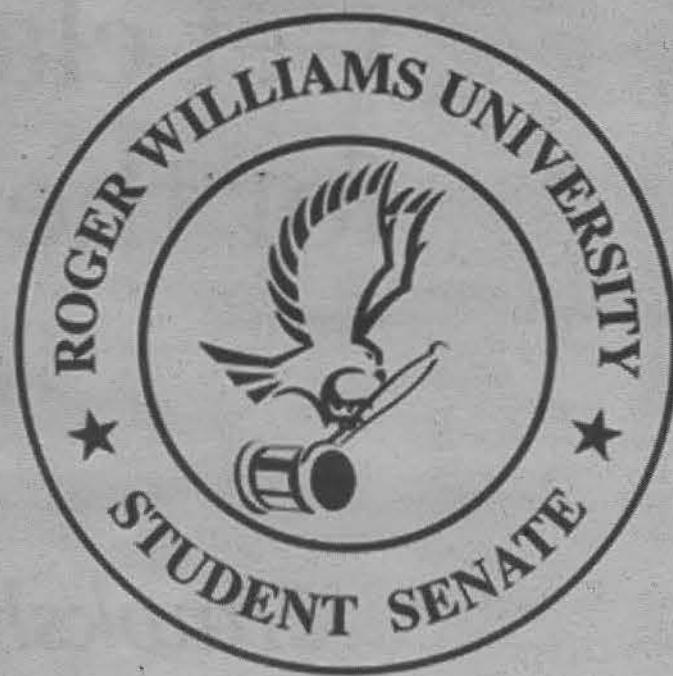
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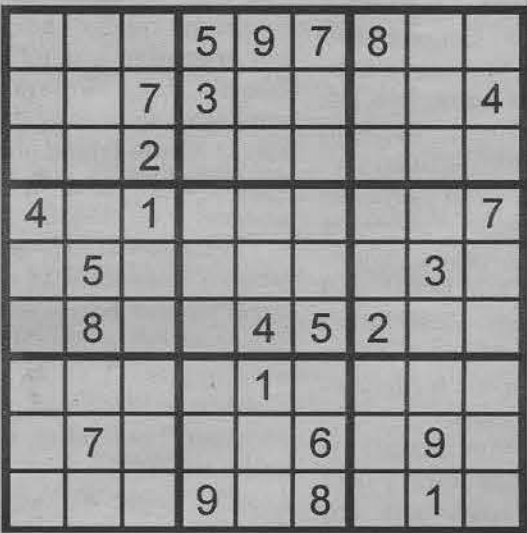
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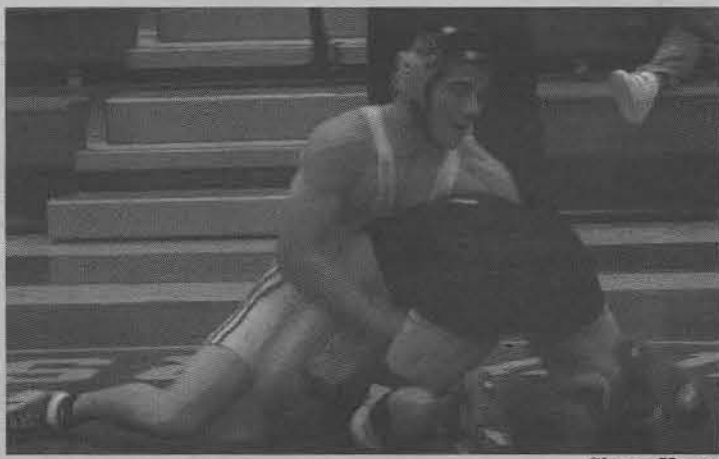
Wrestling team stays consistent and maintains winning record

Daniel DeBlasio
Asst. Sports Editor

The Roger Williams University wrestling team has seen mixed results in its past two outings. The team, ranked twenty-eighth in the nation was defeated in their last match to a strong sixteenth ranked Johnson and Wales Team.

The Hawks saw strong performances in the loss with wins by sophomore Mike Bastante, Patrick Wayne, and junior Andrew Hawley. Bastante pinned his 125-pound opponent in 6:26 and Wayne won his 133-pound match in overtime 7-5. Hawley started the match with a dominating performance in the 141-pound contest, but unfortunately the Hawks could not repeat victory in their other matches.

Leading up to this match, the Hawks posted a fifth place finish in the 2008 New England Wrestling Association (NEWA) Dual Meet Tournament. The Hawks posted three victories in matches over Trinity



Shaun Hogan

A Hawks wrestler takes on an opponent from Bridgewater State University in Wednesday night's match, which RWU won 21-5.

College, Springfield College, and the University of Southern Maine.

Many of the wrestlers posted perfect marks in all of their matches on the day. Junior Jared Czarneski, a 174-pound wrestler, recorded three wins in his three matches and fellow wrestlers.

Kenneth Ford, Nick Cambi, John Russo and James Woods went 2-0.

The nationally ranked Hawks wrestling team was back on the mat on Wednesday night in a home match against Bridgewater State College and the Massachu-

setts Institute of Technology.

In the match against Bridgewater, a pin by junior Dan Woods gave the Hawks the win with a final score of 21-5. The Hawks posted victories in the 125, 133, 149 and 285 pound categories.

Following the Bridgewater match, the Hawks gained a 45-9 victory over MIT.

Following Wednesday's match, the Hawks will host the NECCWA-Metro Conference Challenge Duals tournament on Saturday at 12:00 p.m.

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what got us ahead."

The Hawks came out strong on Saturday against New England College, with a 15-0 run early in the first half that put the team on top 21-6 just before the seven-minute mark. The Hawks maintained the lead throughout the latter part of the half as several three-point baskets from senior Dan Gumb, junior Billy Barrett and freshman Corey Fava put the Hawks ahead 49-18 with five minutes remaining.

The team ended the first half with a 28-point lead over the Pilgrims.

The Hawks held their advantage throughout the second half, out shooting New England 38-33 to gain the final score of 91-62. Barrett ended the day with a team high 16 points, a total of seven rebounds and four assists. Gumb, along with fellow senior Geoff Barranger, also contributed to the Hawk's offense, scoring 15 and 14 points respectively. Fava also made an impact, as he contributed a total of 12 points to the win.

As a result of his contributions to the Hawks' victory over New England and their

68-57 win over Gordon College on Wednesday, Barranger was named RWU Male Athlete of the Week for the second time this season.

Senior Kingsley Onyechi led the New England offense, scoring a total of 16 points by the end of the game. Senior Ryan Jazin added an additional 15 points to the Pilgrim's efforts on Saturday.

With Saturday's loss, New England's CCC record now stands at 0-5 and they are presently ranked last in the conference. The Pilgrims took to the court again on Monday night, where they gained an 89-67 victory over Green Mountain College in non-conference play.

The win on Monday improved New England's overall record to 5-12.

The Hawks will travel to Beverly, Mass. on Thursday for their game against Endicott College. Endicott is currently tied with Western New England College, Colby-Sawyer College, Curry College and Salve Regina University for the fourth place spot in the CCC rankings. Endicott has an overall record of 6-10, with a CCC record of 3-2.

Women's Basketball: set to take on top ranked Endicott College

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this year," said Hathaway-James. "We'll make mistakes, but we'll learn from our mistakes. Everything will be a building process."

The Hawks got off to a slow start offensively on Saturday against New England, as the team shot at 21 percent from the field and made only one three point shot in the first half. While the Pilgrims had a slow start as well, they would gain a nine-point lead with only four minutes left to play in the half.

As the end of the half approached, the Hawks were able to take full advantage of several fouls and turnovers and reduce New England's lead to two points.

New England's lead did not last long after the start of the second half, as the Hawks improved their shooting and put together a 13-2 run with seven minutes left to play. The Hawk's late game run allowed them to gain a 14-point

lead.

Although the Pilgrims reduced the Hawk's lead to seven points in the final minutes, they would not be able to put together a winning play and the score would stay at 62-51.

"As a team unit we are doing well," Hathaway-James said. "We have a couple young ladies who have some great accolades this year. We have a freshman who's doing well in blocks, we have another young lady, a junior, who has probably broken the single game assists record here this year."

"It's a nice mix, I can't give any one person huge accolades without mentioning who the other key instrumental players are."

On Tuesday, the Hawks came out strong, gaining an early lead over Trinity in the first half. Although Trinity would tie the game four times before halftime, the Hawks were able to keep the lead and go

into the second half ahead by 12 points.

The Hawk's advantage would not last long, as the Bantams caught up quickly in the opening minutes of the final half. At the nine-minute mark, Trinity sophomore Jessica Sims found the net to give the Bantams a 47-45 lead.

A three-point shot by freshman Kate Malenczak just before the two-minute mark brought the Hawks to within one point of regaining the lead. However, posted a 6-0 run in the final minutes, allowing them to hold the lead for the final score of 64-57.

The win brought an end to Trinity's five game losing streak and improves their overall record to 9-7.

The Hawk's will travel to Beverly, Mass. tonight for an 8:00 conference game against Endicott College. Endicott is currently ranked first in the CCC standings, with a conference record of 5-0 and an overall record of 10-7.

Super Bowl: regional rivalry will make for an exciting game

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while all the while never taking their eyes of the ultimate prize.

The Giants, although a unanimous underdog, come in to the match-up playing their best football of the season. Their path to the big game has been a challenging one, going on the road to knock off three division winners as well as the top two seeds in the NFC. Their quarterback, Eli Manning, is evolving into a star with each passing game and the team few expected to be playing in February seems to be hitting on all cylinders.

The two opponents went head to head in the last week of the regular season with the Patriots pulling out a close 38-35 victory. The Giants played the Patriots extremely well, showing the team from New England first hand they belonged on the same field by doing what few teams have been able to do all season, actually give them a game.

The upcoming match-up has the makings of another thriller and both teams should see successes in many different forms. Coming off a rough three-interception game Tom Brady will try to limit his uncharacteristic mistakes while Eli Manning will simply try to pick up where he has left off, if that is possible against one of the leagues top defenses.

The downhill running of Brandon Jacobs and elusiveness of Ahmad Bradshaw should prove a tough test



Picture courtesy of the Boston Globe, available at www.boston.com.

for the Patriots run stoppers and must be effective to keep the Patriots offense off the field. The Giants will try to continue to keep Randy Moss in the background while still stopping other versatile receivers like Wes Welker and Donte Stallworth.

The Patriots and Giants fans will continue to jaw amongst themselves and to one another up until and even after the opening kickoff. The relentless supporters on both sides deserve to be proud of their teams and own the right to think they have what it takes to get the job done.

The fact is, however, come Monday morning only half of those fans will be able to walk around campus wearing their team colors proudly and saying that their team truly is the best.

Divided campus waiting for Super Bowl Sunday



Daniel DeBlasio
Asst. Sports Editor

As soon as Lawrence Tynes game-winning 47-yard field goal soared through the uprights at Lambeau Field, the arguing around the Northeast began. When students started to pile into their residence halls and classrooms early last week, the hot topic on campus was the regional match-up between their two favorite teams. This weekend the clash will be decided and one group within a divided student body will be able to call their team World Champions.

The New England Patriots and New York Giants will do battle Sunday in a much-anticipated Super Bowl XLIII from University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale, Ariz.

The Patriots, who are in search of their fourth title in seven seasons, are putting their perfect 18-0 record and a chance to be considered the best team of all time on the line. This team, which most people around our country either love or hate, must be greatly respected. Led by quarterback Tom Brady and a hard-hitting defense, the Patriots made quick work of the Jaguars and Chargers

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Men's basketball maintains five game winning streak and remains undefeated in the conference

Shaun Hogan
Sports Editor

The men's basketball team marked its fifth straight win on Saturday afternoon with a 91-62 victory over New England College, leaving them undefeated in the Commonwealth Coast Conference. With the win, the Hawks' overall record now stands at 9-8.

While head coach Michael Tully admits that he is pleased with the team's performance on Saturday, he said he is not really thinking about the undefeated season or the win. He said he is instead completely focused on getting the team ready for its game against Endicott College on Thursday.

"It's about getting better this week," said Tully. "I'm not thinking about the opponent, I am thinking about how we can get better this week."

"The players are all doing well, whether they're playing or not playing they all do real well. They're either doing a really good job at practice making us better if they're not playing, and if they're playing then they're learning and helping us. There is not a guy on the team who is not helping us."

Tully said that a win on Thursday will depend on



Shaun Hogan

Senior Geoff Barranger attempts a layup in a game against the Wentworth Institute of Technology last season. Barranger was named the RWU Male Athlete of the Week for his contributions to his team's two conference wins this week.

whether or not his players can maintain the offensive and defensive performance they have shown so far this season.

"On Saturday we shot the ball well, and defensively we did

a pretty good job, we pressured the basketball well and we rebounded well," said Tully. "That defense with good shooting is

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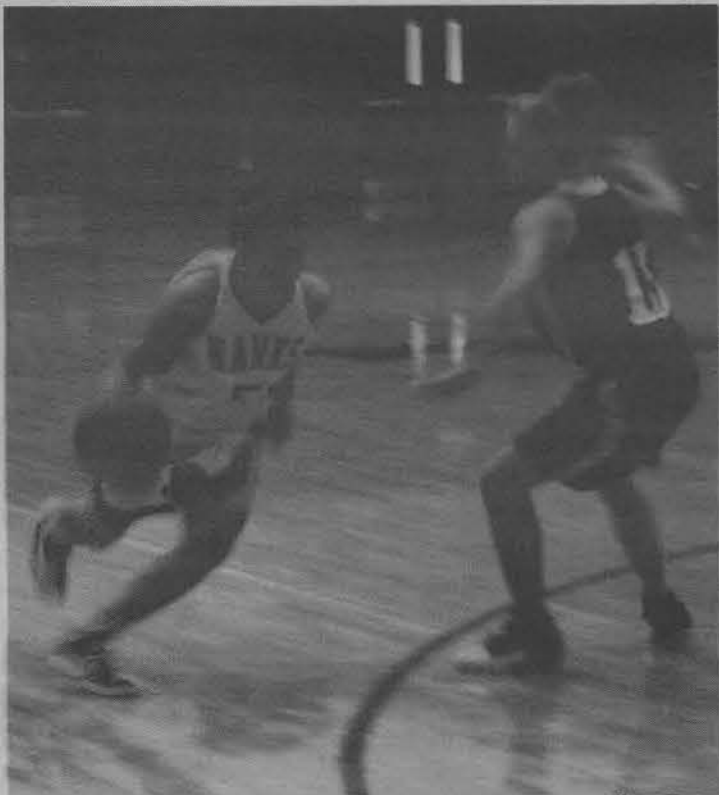
Women's basketball loses home match and ends four game streak

Shaun Hogan
Sports Editor

After posting a four-game winning streak and earning National Collegiate Athletic Association honors for their strong defense, the women's basketball team dropped a non-conference home match against Trinity College on Tuesday 64-57. With the loss, the team's overall record now stands at 8-9.

Although Tuesday's defeat brings an end to the team's winning streak, it does not impact their standing in the Commonwealth Coast Conference. The Hawks are currently ranked fifth in the CCC standings, along with Regis College, Salve Regina University, The University of New England and Gordon College, with an overall record of 3-2. The Hawks' current conference record comes as a result of their 62-51 victory over New England College on Saturday afternoon.

"We're learning to win, which is definitely a positive thing," head coach Tracey Hathaway-James said. "Sometimes, the difference between a team that wins



Shaun Hogan

Jackie Criss works her way down the court in the first half of Tuesday night's game against Trinity College. The Hawks lost 64-57.

and a team that loses is just a mental thing, and one of the things regardless of where we're at or what's going on, as a team, we are learning to win."

Hathaway-James said that this season is mainly about improving her team's skills on the court on a

game-by-game basis. She said her main goal for this season is to have the players come together and learn from every game whether the team wins or loses.

"One of the things I've said is that we'll take steps

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A winning weekend for swimming and diving

Daniel DeBlasio
Asst. Sports Editor

The RWU men's and women's swimming and diving teams both earned victories in their meets against the University of New England this weekend. The women overcame their opponents by a score of 140-117, while the men's team won 174-43.

The women had a very strong outing with many first place finishes across the board. Sophomore Erin O'Connell swam the 50-yard breaststroke in a time of 36:05 and the 200-yard breaststroke in a time of 2:51:72, both good enough for first place. Also, O'Connell, joined by teammates, senior Meghan McGrath, freshman Jill Mackey and freshman Caitlin O'Connor, won the 200-yard medley relay event.

Mackey, herself, also found victory in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 26:57. Others receiving first place finishes were freshman Lauren Gosnell who swam the 50-yard backstroke in 32:99, and sophomore Brigid Houlihan who won in both the 1,000-yard and 500-yard freestyle events.

Houlihan finished the 500-yard event with a time of 5:41:50, but even more impressively finished more than 13 seconds ahead of the second

place finisher in the 1,000-yard event with a time of 11:33:70.

Junior diver Cara Naylor also saw great success, breaking her previously set school records in both the 1 and 3-meter boards. Naylor posted a score of 222.73 on the 1-meter board and 225.45 on the 3-meter board. These scores broke the previous record highs she had set earlier this season.

The men put fourth a dominating performance, taking first place finishes in every event but two.

Sophomore swimmer Jonathan Galuska won two events, finishing first in both the 200-yard backstroke and 200-yard butterfly.

The men's diving team had two high scores in the 1-meter board event with Freshman Scott McMann earning a 131.25 and Joseph Mello earning a 208.20.

The men and women's swim teams will be back in action when they go on the road to TCCC opponent Gordon College on January 30 at 6 p.m. The next time the divers will compete will be at the Roger Williams Aquatics Center this Saturday, Feb. 2 at 1:00 p.m.