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Linda Ellerbee to address graduates

By Michele Baccarella
Managing Editor

Syndicated newspaper columnist Linda Ellerbee will be the featured speaker as 400 men and women receive their degrees at Commencement ceremonies on May 19.

Controversy brewed last week as rumors spread like wildfire around campus that President Natale Sicuro would be the commencement speaker.

The type even landed RWC on the front page of last Sunday's Providence Journal Bulletin in a story about different schools' commencement speakers. As a result, emergency meetings were held with senior class officers early last week.

In an interview on Friday, Sicuro said the situation was the result of a misunderstanding.

What did happen, according to Sicuro, was the Honorary Degree Committee, the group responsible for deciding who will receive honorary degrees, and for obtaining a speaker for commencement, wasn't having much luck finding a speaker.

Angela Landsbury, one of the committee's choices, had a conflict, and C. Everett Koop, the former surgeon general of the United States, was too expensive.

Sicuro said what they would have done, was not had a speaker. He said this is customary at many college's including Brown University.

GRADUATES
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Commencement

Commencement ceremonies will be held on Saturday, May 19 at 10 a.m., changed from Sunday, May 20.

Development is topic at open forum

By Michele Baccarella
Managing Editor

The physical facilities was the aspect of the Plan for the '90s which garnered the most discussion at a college assembly held last Thursday.

The assembly was held so that anyone could ask questions of make comments, additions or suggestions to the second draft of the Plan for the '90s. The draft is headed back to Malcolm Forbes, vice president for academic affairs for the third revision.

A final copy will be presented to the board of trustees of the college for their approval in the fall. Most faculty and staff made up the audience in the half-filled lecture hall 299.

President Natale Sicuro opened the assembly by congratulating the College Planning Council on the plan.

The first comment came from newly appointed Acting Dean Anthony Iannucelli, who asked for confirmation that part of the old library will be used as the School of Business. Sicuro said the library will be used as classroom and office space for the business school, one of the schools with the largest enrollment, about 500.

He added that the first floor will continue to house computers and the audio-visual center.

Sicuro said he was confident in development that an individual or corporation would be found to name the school of business after. This is part of the move to name and sign the whole campus.

"We need to develop a policy for naming," Sicuro said. The reason being, he said, is that a lot of political hassles occur without a standard policy. The college will be looking for sponsors for scholarships, lecture series, buildings, endowed chairs, and just about anything that can be named, the president said.

In the interim, Sicuro suggested that the dorm students come up with temporary names to replace the generic Dorms 1, 2, and 3, the current names of the residence halls.

New and other more directive signs to identify buildings and places on campus will soon be implemented, the first being two signs that will be up in time for commencement.

The president also made reference to Dorm 4, which will house approximately 420 students. No building date has been set for the apartment style dorms. The college had to concede approximately 14 conditions determined by the Bristol Zoning Board of Review as a condition to its being granted the special exception needed for the building.

A 5,000 square foot student services building has also been proposed and is pending approval by the

FORUM PAGE 3
Minority record disputes diversity claim

By Johanna Nilsson
Special to The Messenger

With only 20 black students on campus, it certainly seems questionable whether RWC is interested in ethnic, racial, and cultural diversity...

After 22 years at RWC, Benjamin N. Carr, marketing professor, is still the only black professor on campus. During his years here, Carr said he has seen a reduction in black enrollment. Records indicating enrollment by race are not kept, according to Carr, because he said the administration does not have any interest in keeping the black students and therefore is not keeping a record.

Karen Haskell, dean of students, said there are no records of race kept because there is a law which prohibits universities from asking questions about race on the application. The law creates a contradictory situation, because the government requires universities to provide minority population statistics every other year.

Registrar Robert Fetternhoff said that even if race questions cannot be formulated on the application form, there are ways to keep a record. "After the enrollment, no law prohibits minority questions."

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"Blacks need each other to socialize. They can be friends with whites, but they need their own group in order to get the necessary feeling of brotherhood." -- Dwight Datcher

The most current minority population statistics at RWC from the fall of 1988 show that 20 students, or 0.05 percent, of the then 1,868 student body were black. Fetternhoff said he doubted the information had changed significantly since then.

RWC is not the only school experiencing a decrease in minority students, according to Haskell, who said all colleges are facing the same problem. The only minority group that has increased is the Asian, which is due in part to immigration trends to the United States.

Haskell said RWC has tried to increase the number of minorities. One example is that this year the admissions office will be sending representatives to both Asia and South America to recruit students of different cultures to the college.

Dwight F. Datcher, director of athletics has also done a little moonlighting for admissions, recruiting five black students from his hometown Washington, D.C.

"We need to create a balance of students. If the black student does not come, we have to bring him here," Datcher said. One way to do this, he suggested, was through offering scholarships. "If we don't create a balance, we do a disservice to the rest of the students," he said.

Datcher attended RWC from 1970 to 1974. At that time the black population was larger, and many came from the Providence area. Today most of the black students come from outside of Rhode Island. "We need to have black students who live in the area, so those who do not can make friends and be able to leave the campus on weekends," Datcher said. "Blacks need each other to socialize. They can be friends with whites, but they need their own group in order to get the necessary feeling of brotherhood."

According to Datcher, there are not enough black students on campus to achieve a brotherhood environment. "It is easy to talk a good game," said Carr. Neither he nor Datcher said they believed the official efforts by the college have led to the results they were intended to.

Datcher is optimistic with President Natalie Sicuro's Plan for the '90s, which includes the addition of two new fulltime positions of a minority recruiter and a minority advisor. "We need to support the minorities so they don't transfer," Datcher said.

Other objectives of the plan for minorities include increased efforts to hire minority faculty, staff and administration, and to establish a minority mentor program.

One black student who has had thoughts of transferring is Erica Walters, a senior. "If I did not have my professors' support I would have transferred a long time ago. I have hated this place so many times."

Walters said she has been offended due to her color. She claimed there is racism at RWC, on the part of both the administration and the students. "Many students are ignorant and the administration seems to want to maintain an image of a white, middle class college," Walters said. To be judged because of color can make one feel inferior, she said. Black students handle this inferior feeling in a couple of different ways, Walters said.

"Some react by being aggressive towards their surroundings, other like me, take it inside," Walters said. "It's been a struggle to be here and I'm glad I'm graduating this year. The next school I will go to will have a healthier environment for all, said Walters, a psychology major who plans to attend graduate school.

Walters who was born in Kingston, Jamaica, moved to the United States when she was four years old. She attended high school in Enfield, Connecticut, a white neighborhood, but one, she said, where she experienced less racism. "I wish that I could have taught the white students being different can be something beautiful," Walters said.

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Michele Baccorella and Kary Andrews contributed to this article.
The senior class took the innovative step of framing Abbracciaimento, a member of the senior class advisory board, as the only speaker. Elderberries was available and willing to come to RWC. She and Sarah Blanchard, senior class president met with the Commencement Committee, the executive committee for commencement, and made their recommendation of Elderberries.

Blanchard agrees miscommunication was a problem, and said the class should have always had a speaker.

Sicuro said he will make opening remarks, not a speech. The only other speakers will be Ralph Papito, chairman of the board of trustees of the college and Blanchard.

Other changes in this year's commencement according to glare, the presence of external relations, was the elimination of some political speeches. Providence Mayor Joseph Paolino, an alumnus of RWC, the governor, the notebook and John T. Bristol, were a few of the people previously invited to make remarks during commencement.

The aim of eliminating the speakers is to keep the ceremony down to two hours. One speaker, who has previously addressed his or her classmates at commencement, the President of Alpha Chi honor society, was not made aware she would be speaking at graduation until April 24 when she was told by Lorraine Dennis, co-sponsor of Alpha Chi.

President of Alpha Chi said she was disappointed at not being able to address her classmates.

"I was disappointed because they never told me and I had no idea that was one of the issues the Honorary Degree handles," Miller said on the Honorary Degree Committee, and said she was not made aware she would not be speaking at graduation until April 24 when she was told by Lorraine Dennis, co-sponsor of Alpha Chi.

Term of office is being called a dormitory was at the Supreme Court to intervene.

The college petitioned the Supreme Court for permission to deal with neighbors' concerns. The college will lease Almeida, which as one of the concessions, the college agreed to sell it to a third party, to house about 425 students. A 33-foot fire lane around the dorm was also proposed.

Some of the approximately 14 students who lived in the dorm conceded included: eliminating fireplaces in four student lounges, providing a 25-foot fire lane around the dormitory buildings, planting shrubs on the west property line in order to screen the dorms from Metacom Avenue, and installing prominent warning signs and appropriate speed reduction signs along the right-of-way from Metacom Avenue to the Maher Center.

President Natale Sicuro said he doesn't think the Rhode Island Board of Review will hesitate in approving the college's petition to build a two-story student services building to be located next to the fine arts building and an addition to the boiler room.

The college's petition, which was proposed at the last meeting, the present was delayed to the May 16 meeting because the town did not have an attorney present to represent it.

The college is also planning to build a dormitory to be residential to a college zone in late fall. The move will allow RWC to build without having to get permission from the zoning board of review. The move may result in losses to what is covered by bonding.

Topf resigns from enrollment committee

The committee originally reported to the president, but President Natale Sicuro made the decision to have the EMC report to Malcolm Forbes, vice president for academic affairs instead. This was another reason Topf said, which contributed to his resignation.

The committee, which meets once a month or four times each month, spent about a year doing research and was responsible for the Student Opinion Survey. Topf said the committee published a report about a year ago based on the student opinions, which he said, were pretty much ignored.

TOPF PAGE 21
Soviet changes lead to freer thinking

By Kary Andrews
Features Editor

The Soviet government will have to implement a policy allowing individual ownership so that the Soviet people will not emigrate to the U.S. in such numbers, Alexander Dron, a Soviet commentator, reformer, and member of the Communist Party, told an audience of about 75 at Roger Williams College on May 2, as an unscheduled speaker to the Contemporary Forums program.

Dron visited RWC for a week and lectured to individual classes, in addition to last Wednesday's address. The major changes that have taken place in the Soviet Union the last few years have led its citizens to a freer way of thinking, Dron said. "We were brought up to believe that the U.S.S.R. was building the most free and just society in the world," he said. "Sixty to seventy million people have been exterminated in my country's history. This is a hard burden to bear and we invite the world just to help us cope."

Dron mentioned some of the most important, and not so important consequences of the changes in the Soviet dogma. "The Cold War is practically over," he said. "The Soviet press and television has at last gotten its long awaited freedom. Soviet troops were pulled out of Afghanistan, all who were in exile have been allowed back, and Phil Donahue is now part of our daily lives." Dron said.

As the wheels of revolution in the Soviet Union continue to spin, so does the turmoil. Dron predicted Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev will face further pressure from the opposition. "The struggle for power will be sharper," Dron said. "More strikes may follow, which will include students." The Soviet economy could also use a little housekeeping, according to Dron. He suggested the country have larger scale imports to soften consumer tension during this period of change. He added that he thought there should be direct investment from and by the West.

As Bush promised in his inaugural speech to make the "education" president, so too did Gorbachev.

Dron expressed great concern over the problem of education in his country. "Something must be done for education or there will be no future," Dron said. He did indicate that the situation looked hopeful.

"When Gorbachev came to power over 100 million citizens had a higher education, which was much more than in the past. Education is no longer seen or called a government business, but is now jointly run by the public and the state."

Because the Soviet government no longer can call itself the sole employer of every citizen in this country, Dron and fellow citizens have more options.

Hillel commemorates Holocaust

By Isaac Alpert
Staff Writer

Last week was designated Holocaust Remembrance Week, and the Roger Williams College Chapter of Hillel joined with Jews around the world commemorating this solemn event.

The RWC 1990 Holocaust Remembrance Program was held on April 26, and featured a special program from Rachel Nedzar, a sophomore at the University of Connecticut, was one of 1500 teenagers around the world, who, in 1988, participated in the "March of the Living." This walk went from Auschwitz to Birkenfel, which were labor and death camps in Poland. It was at these and other camps in Poland that six million Jews were killed between 1938 and 1945.

Nedzar spoke about her experiences along the march, and the tour that took them to Israel. The point of the march was to make the Holocaust more real to those who did not live through it. Nedzar said she felt it was successful, and that it was a sad and moving experience. At various points during the tours of the camps the walkers, who included teenagers, children of survivors, and some survivors themselves, viewed piles of ashes from victims of the ovens, as well as brushes, hair, glasses, and other possessions of the victims.

Many found this to be a chillingly accurate picture of what went on. The idea behind the walk, as well as the presentation, was to remind and educate those too young to remember the horror of what happened, and to make sure no one will forget.

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CIRCUS
Friday, March 23

Three RWC students left the residence after saying goodbye, said Cambras. Restitution was made and the student was arrested but released without charges.

Saturday, March 24

Three RWC students: Patricia O'Connell, Elizabeth Ponce and Lisa DeVincent were arrested and charged with underage drinking. The students were stopped on Charlestown Street, RWC, for consuming alcohol illegally.

Barrington police arrested a man for driving under the influence.

He said Barrington police had seen two cars drag racing on County Road. They stopped one car and the other escaped. The car, his 1986 Camaro IROC, was found abandoned in the interstate, where it had hit a Jersey barrier, snipping an axle. Blowing out the two right tires and doing heavy damage to the side of the car.

Sunday, April 5

A car stolen from the RWC north campus parking lot was found by Providence Police on Rt. 95 at the corner of David Hilton St., an RWC student, called Bristol police just after 5 am.

Police Report

By Michele Baccarella

Managing Editor

The next time you consider using a fake ID trying to get into a bar, you might just want to think about it.

Do you want to possible put a future job in jeopardy? Do you want to end up with a criminal record which can follow you for a minimum of five years? Do you want to have to answer yes on a job application when the question is: "Have you ever been arrested?"

Many RWC students put a lot at stake by using fake or altered licenses, according to District Court Judge Antonio SaoBento who sits in First District Court in Warren.

Judge SaoBento said he had seen way too many RWC students in front of him for either underage drinking or underage drinking by a minor, since September when he was appointed to the bench in Warren.

What will happen to you if you are found guilty of either crime, both of which are misdemeanors?

Usually it's a fine ranging from $100 to $500, the judge said. He also has the authority to give a student a record which can follow them for at least five years.

"I haven't given any student a criminal record yet," Judge SaoBento said. "The court is reluctant to give a student a record since it could jeopardize a career. Generally speaking, I am not adverse to giving someone a break. I'm feeling that individual I have faith in them. They'd better appreciate that." The judge said he realizes students like to drink and want to think about it.

Do the charges of disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and obstruction resulting from drinking. This goes for both minors and people legally able to drink. Sergeant Armand Pereira of the Bristol Police Department agreed with the judge on that point. Pereira, who has worked the third shift, midnight to 8 am for the past seven years, said he has seen how many students are actually arrested for underage drinking end up being charged with other counts as well as a result of the behavior. "Misrepresentation and underage drinking go hand in hand," Sgt. Pereira said.

Of the 100 arrests that have been made in Bristol since Jan. 1, a great many of them are for underage drinking. Sgt. Pereira was asking that the number of people arrested for underage drinking picks up from September to May, while the college is in session.

Sgt. Pereira said that not all students who appear in front of him are guilty, but in most cases, he said, if there is any doubt, it is usually requested that they go to the law, they just have to obey it."

Police Officer arrested the man who was sitting at a desk answering the questions "What will happen to you if you are found guilty of either crime, both of which are misdemeanors?"

On occasion the judge said he sees charges of disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and obstruction resulting from drinking. This goes for both minors and people legally able to drink.

Sgt. Pereira said they owe the judge a record which can follow them for at least five years. They'd better appreciate that. The judge said he realizes students like to drink and want to think about it.

The difference between age 20 and 21 is the law. No one has to agree (with the law), they just have to obey it." - Judge Antonio SaoBento

Officials fed up with underage drinking

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Communication: The way to avoid misunderstandings

Change, some people say, is for the good of the people. Change stirs things up, brings forth new ideas and gives a fresh outlook to tired eyes. But change can also bring about confusion and problems.

We have felt changes at the college this year, we have a new president, an ambitious plan for the 90s and an attitude to make Roger Williams College bigger and better than ever. But this will never happen if people do not work together. Instead there will be miscommunication, hurt feelings and chaos.

An example of this occurred just recently with the choosing of a speaker for this year’s commencement ceremonies. Rumors flew around campus for days about this year’s commencement speaker. The most prevalent rumor was that President Sicuro decided to be the speaker and did not want anyone else to speak. But what really happened was the Honorary Degree committee, which is in charge of picking a speaker, tried very hard to get someone to speak, only to find people were either unavailable or beyond the price the college could pay. So they decided they would not have a main speaker, instead there would be a couple of people who would address the class in a shortened ceremony.

In the last week the Senior class decided to find a speaker themselves, and were successful in getting Linda Ellerbee at the last minute. Their efforts should be applauded, but the whole situation should serve as a warning to everyone at this college, a warning to not just sit by thinking everything will be taken care of by someone else.

Students, faculty and administration need to make sure the channels of communication are clear and open between them, especially during this period where the college is going through so many changes.

The mix-up over commencement speakers may seem like a minor problem to some, but think of it as a warning to watch out for bigger and more serious problems that could occur in the future and result in more disastrous consequences.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

(This is a copy of a letter the Political Studies Association sent to the Legation of Lithuania in Washington, D.C.)

In the midst of these historic events the plight of the Lithuanian people is being felt around the globe. We of the Roger Williams College Political Studies Association admire, support and sympathize with your struggle to be recognized as an independent state. Not only are the Lithuanians laying the groundwork for the freedom of future generations in Lithuania, but also, your people are setting an example of life, liberty and property. Your voice of freedom has reached the hearts of the student body on our campus. To us, there is no doubt that Lithuania is indeed independent. It is our hope that with time it will be considered independent by all.

The Political Studies Association

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Messenger receives awards

The Messenger was recently given two awards from the American Scholastic Press Association. The paper was awarded first place for overall appearance and was given a special Outstanding Service to the Community award for the interviews with the student senators which appeared in the Oct. 31, 1989 issue.

Messenger Promotions

The following staff members were recently promoted. Their appointments commence in the fall.

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A Letter from the Editor:

This is a sincere thank you for all who have made my last two years as Managing Editor of The Messenger successful.

It has been one of my greatest college experiences. I have a lot of faith in my successor, Kary Andrews, and hope you extend her, the same understanding and cooperation you have shown me. I will continue to serve The Messenger as a contributing editor.

I also want to thank a fantastic staff for the time and effort that went into this year’s Messenger, especially the seniors. They will all be severely missed.

I wish them the best of luck and am proud to be their friend, and look forward to seeing the up and coming talent return next year for the paper’s best semester yet.

Michèle Baccarella
Managing Editor

Oops!

In the You Said It section of the March 27 issue of The Messenger, Heidi Woodward and Christy Caroll’s names were accidently placed under the wrong picture. Woodward and Caroll are pictured below. The Messenger regrets any confusion this caused.

Christy Caroll
Heidi Woodward

Also in the March 27th issue in the Faculty Offices article, Mr. Eugene Brickach was mistakenly identified as Dr. Brickach. The Messenger regrets the error.
Earth Day reiterates what we already know

By Kary Andrews  
Features Editor

We're not just a bunch of cranky feminists wailing about old fashioned media images of the cooking, cleaning housewife. Advertised images of contemporary women are no longer innocent newswallops, however subconscious the impact might be. And those images can really hurt. I've felt it. I feel it every morning when my mirror image decides for me what kind of mood I'm going to be in. The mirror often tells me I feel дumpy today, or professional today, or just an ugly human being in general today.  

Mirror, mirror on the wall, please make me six feet tall. Give me perfect legs, a tight tummy, and could you please remove the cellulite on the back of my thighs while you're at it? If cloning were an option, I'd go for the Elle McPherson look.

I am so driven to be so unlike myself; so like the perfect woman I see on television, in magazines, on posters and billboards. Jean Kilbourne, a visiting scholar at Wellesley College once designated Woman of the Year by the National Organization for Women, recently asked an audience at Roger Williams College to think about the subconscious messages of advertising and to uncover what is behind them so that they don't exercise so much power over us. "It is not conscious of that affects us most deeply," Kilbourne told her audience.

By peeling away the layers that hide the subconscious messages in the media, she argued, we can reduce the power of those images and put that power in our own hands. A great idea, but not so easily realized. Right after Kilbourne's lecture, which she entitled "The Redhead Truth", I went home and flipped through some magazines in my apartment. Cosmopolitan, the mail order catalogue from Victoria's Secret and others. As emphasis and logical as Kilbourne's ideas were, I still wanted to see Elle McPherson's smile and flawless figure. Is it too late for me to start shaping up? Have I really warped my sense of self to the point where I will always judge myself against an unattainable perfection? Help me, Kilbourne shared her audience many examples of advertisements from mainstream contemporary magazines that she collected over the years. Of her first, which showed a gorgeous woman pushing a make-up cart to the make-up cause, Kilbourne said: "This is the image of ideal female beauty. It takes time, energy, and money to aspire to the ideal, but failure is inevitable because the ideal is flawlessness. This woman has no flaws, blemishes, or even pores."

The pores comment really cracked everybody up, but it really is sad. I often curse at my pores. (A young woman115 commonly is taught that "looking unblemished is a sign of one's worth in a mental institution?). Advertising does this to women everywhere, and it starts early.

I was about 12 years old when the mirror started talking back, and 12 is an impossible impressionable age, but eight years of experience of imperfection and education under my belt hasn't made the situation any much easier to deal with. Not only do media images of the flawless woman or her negative counterpart, the inadequate woman, damage emotional stability, but they aggregate dangerous conditions for many women. Diseases like anorexia nervosa and bulimia, among other eating disorders, run rampant on college campuses.

"One in five college-age women have some kind of eating disorder," she said. "It is epidemic on college campuses. Where else could this be? The consequences are manifested in part from media images that tell us to painfully, unnaturally suppress such feelings."

Where else indeed. At Age 13 I weighed about 134 pounds, double what I should have. A few months later I reduced that to 97. The beauty magazines that saturate the market had brainwashed me. Sure, I felt better when I was thinner, but when my parents forced me to see a doctor about the weight loss, I guessed I was anorexic. Looking back on it I know I didn't lose the weight as much for my health as I did to get that other women wouldn't think I was gross-looking. Media images certainly contributed to my thinking that I had to be thin to be accepted, and more fundamentally to be loved.

But how do these images affect men? Kilbourne emphasized that men can suffer some debilitating effects from all this as well. "The primary message to men in advertising is that they should strive to be dominant, invulnerable, and in control," she said. "This is a model which makes men feel a failure at least part of the time."

Advertisements tend to make men devalue feminine qualities. Kilbourne argued, implying not only that men deprive themselves of certain self-nurturing emotions but that they also think less of women because they suppress such feelings. "Things considered feminine are constantly devalued which causes women to devalue themselves and each other and men to devalue qualities like compassion, empathy and gentleness," she said.

"Men are still very sensitively oppressed to repress those very human qualities when we desperately need human beings to share a range of human qualities. If not, we obviously end up feeling half or less of what we might be." I feel like half of what I might be most of the time when I visit male friends in their apartments or dormitory rooms. I am definitely half of Carol Ait, in proportion as well as beauty, when she and and other seemingly flawless beauty. Applegate and Christie Brinkley dominate the walls. I don't see women who look like real human beings in a regular basis, so wonder if most men feel that they don't measure up when they date tall in love with a woman who is less than the media goddess.

Perhaps the most troubling moment of Kilbourne's presentation occurred when she shifted her attention to children. She showed the audience an ad depicting a little girl dressed and decorated as a seductress. Many in the audience gasped for air. I kept asking myself who would let their little girl be made up like that? Kilbourne argued that such images are having a contributing factor to sexual abuse of children.

"We see little girls in American are sexually abused in childhood," Kilbourne said. "Images like this contribute to it."

I had to wonder what it would take that answer to the question, "What is the most vivid memory I will retain from Earth Day was a little boy and his dad fishing by the beach. The boy had snuck showed me the crabs his dad had found for him to look at. As I knelt beside the little boy I couldn't help, but notice the enumerable pieces of glass on the shells under our feet. Someday that child is bound to stroll a beach with barefeet and get glass lodged in his foot. He's more apt to get sun poisoning from a depleted ozone layer. He might have a kitten that someday gets strangled by those plastic thingies that grasp the cans in a six-pack of Pepsi. I really am being a little macabre, I trust, but I really is, and does glass in your foot. We make a difference on Earth Day, no matter how small. I really do think the bumper sticker that reads: "Think Globally. Act Locally." It's logical. Littering isn't.

Earth Day didn't make us perfect. I still don't know what is the right box each time I go to the grocery store to avoid the waste of paper and plastic bags. I still buy too many cleaning products. And I'm sure there are other unbelievable environmental crimes I commit on a daily basis, but I don't eat red meat, I don't litter, and perhaps most importantly the environment is on my mind more than ever. That's why I'll be writing more about my actions. That's fair warning, guys. After all is said and done, the cynical side of me still wants to know how many trees it took to promote Earth Day. Nevertheless, don't tell me.

"We made a difference on Earth Day no matter how small."

Images like these contribute to...
RWC People in the Spotlight

JACQUELINE BESSETTE, a junior accounting major, has won a $1,000 Carl W. Christiansen Scholarship from the Rhode Island Society of Certified Public Accountants.

ANTHONY AGOSTINELLI, social science and open division faculty, has been appointed permanent chair of the Long-Range Planning and Administration Committee for the International Association of Jazz Educators. Agostinelli hosts a weekly radio program, "Saturday Night Big Band Bash," on WARA-AM in Attleboro, Mass. He has also published a biannual jazz-oriented newsletter, The Network, with an international circulation.

ROLAND CHASE and TUCKER WRIGHT, both faculty in the social science division, co-authored an article entitled, "Glassnost Opens Up The Soviet Legal System," in the fall 1989 issue of the Rhode Island bar Journal. The article analyzes the Soviet legal system based on interviews and information gathered in the recent college group trip to the U.S.S.R.

KAREN JESSUP, a preservationist and member of the college's historic preservation faculty, has been appointed chairperson of the Historic District Commission, an agency which regulates changes to the exteriors of buildings in the historical districts of Providence. Jessup was appointed to the commission by Mayor Joseph R. Paolino, Jr. last week.

MELISSA PEO and CANDACE MAGUIRE have joined RWC's development area. Peo, an RWC graduate, has been hired as public relations support staff. Maguire a Rhode Island native has been hired as assistant director of alumni relations.

JIM WILLIAMS, senior creative writing major and poetry editor of the student literary magazine Aldebaran, has won an Intr Award sponsored by the Associated Writing Programs. His poem, "Sounds, Silences," will appear in the fall 1990 issue of New England Review/Bread Loaf Quarterly.

DR. RALPH CHASSAING, faculty member of the engineering/technology division, has recently had his textbook, Digital Signal Processing with the TMS320C25 published by Wiley-Interscience of New York. Chassaing co-authored the book with Dr. Darrel W. Horning, professor in the department of computer science and engineering at the University of Bridgeport, in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

MATT WHITE, director of the Physical Plant and a 24-year veteran of the Bristol Fire Department, was recently appointed deputy fire chief by the Bristol Town Council. White was most recently employed by the Town of Westerly.

Louis J. Proccaccini, faculty member and coordinator of the Administration of Justice program recently spoke at a symposium held at the University of Rhode Island. Proccaccini, an alumna of URI, gave a presentation on issues relating to the career possibilities open to those graduating with a bachelor's degree in sociology and specifically an overview of careers within the criminal justice field for those holding graduate degrees in sociology.

MICHELE BACCARELLA, a junior majoring in psychology, has won a $1,000 scholarship from the North Jersey Press Club.

ROCCO G. COLAGIOVANNI, of the math/computer science division has won a 1989 Sears-Roebuck Foundation Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership Award. He received a cash award and RWC received a grant ranging from $500 to $1,500 based on enrollment.

Plan to be discussed
An Open Forum on the Plan for the '90s will be held Thursday, May 10 in the L H 129 at 7:30 pm.

Meet the Trustees
Members of the college community have an opportunity to meet the members of the Board of Trustees on Tuesday, May 15 from 3:45 to 4:30 pm in the Bay Room.

Alpha Chi members attend meeting
RWC Alpha Chi members Kristi Gannon and Christine Krakunas served as student delegates to the Region VI Annual Alpha Chi Convention held in Baltimore, Maryland on March 30 and 31. Grayson Murphy, Alpha Chi co-sponsor, also attended the meeting.

Service Awards Reception
The second annual RWC Service Awards Reception for all full-time college employees will be held from 3 pm to 5:30 pm. Location tba.

You've probably had to up here with things you can do to help preserve the environment. Too bad. We know many of you really want to pitch in and do your part, but say you can't, because you don't know what you can do. That's where we come in. Here is a list of things you, the college student can do to save a piece of this earth, so there will be some earth left for us to bug our kids about preserving.

• Learn to recognize the recycling logo.
• Use paper made from recycled paper.
• Purchase fresh, unpackaged produce rather than processed and prepackaged when possible.
• Use mugs instead of paper cups, and paper before plastic and styrofoam.
• Avoid disposable plates, utensils, razors, lighters, and pens.
• Borrow instead of buying or buy collectively.
• Reuse scrap paper.
• Don't accept boxes and bags at stores unless they're necessary.
• Avoid using paper towels.
• Avoid plastic bottles, use recyclable glass bottles or metal cans.
• Avoid Federal mandates for recycling programs.
• College shorter showers.
• Don't let the water run when you aren't using it.
• Avoid food that has been irradiated.
• Buy organic food products.
• Buy clothing of natural fibers that can be washed instead of dry-cleaned.
• Wash your clothes in cold water.
• Take public transportation, bike, or walk.
• Keep driving to a minimum and carpool when possible.
• Drive a fuel-efficient car.
• Buy local produce and foods.
• Reduce the amount of meat in your diet.
• Don't smoke.
• Don't buy from companies active in tropical deforestation.
• Don't plant trees unless you know they were raised domestically.
• Join the work of conservation groups which are active in rain-forest issues.
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Blithewold Gardens & Arboretum

By Nicole Lozier
Staff Writer

Blithewold Gardens and Arboretum, Route 114, Bristol, reopened its mansions for tours during the 1990 season on Sunday, April 14. Located on Bristol harbor and overlooking the sparkling waters of Narragansett Bay, the 45-room mansion was built in 1907 in the style of the 17th century English country manor. The mansion was rebuilt after a fire destroyed the original house (built in 1895) in 1906. Agustus S. Van Wickie, a coal magnate from Hazleton, Pennsylvania bought the land which Blithewold currently occupies to provide a court for "Marjorie," a steam yacht which he purchased for his wife, Bessie.

In 1898, Van Wickie, donor of the Van Wickie gates at Brown University, was killed in a tragic shooting accident only five months before the birth of his second daughter. Three years later in 1901, Bessie remarried to William McKee, a shoe salesman from Boston. After the fire McKee hired the architect firm Mead & Taft of New York to rebuild the mansion fortunately because the fire was slow moving, the McKees were able to save most of their furniture and valuable possessions with the help of their household servants. Van Wickie's daughter Marjorie Lyon willed the estate to the Heritage Trust of Rhode Island in 1976. Lyon lived in the mansion during summers until her death also in 1976.

The mansion, intended as a summer home, allows air to comfortably circulate throughout the entire house. Living rooms and bedrooms face the west side overlooking the bay so they could take advantage of cool breezes. Some attractions in the mansion are the billiards room, dining room, and master bedroom. An intercom installed throughout the mansion enabled staff and family to contact one another.

The 33 acres of landscape designed by John DeWolf of Brooklyn, New York, boasts several exotic plants and trees only recently introduced and successfully grown in America and the Northeast. Included in its attractions are a rose garden, rock garden, water garden, accompanied by several planted specimens, such as Chinese cedars, ginkgos and a grove of bamboo, a giant sequoia, the largest in eastern North America towers over 82 feet and 13 feet in diameter. Blithewold relies on funding from donors, weddings, concerts and other special events. Memberships in the "Friends of Blithewold," a group of donors increased to more than 1,000 during 1989 and there were more than 20,000 visitors to the estate.

This year Blithewold is planning to construct a visitor's information center and renovation of the rose garden which will serve as the center's site. Donations are welcome. Blithewold will hold its annual plant sale on Saturday, May 12 from 9 am to 3 pm. More than 24,000 annual and perennial plants will be for sale. All profits benefit the ongoing restorations and upkeep of the mansions and gardens. The grounds of Blithewold are open daily year round for self-guided tours. Guided tours of the mansion and grounds are available through Oct. 31 except on Mondays and holidays. There is a charge for visits.

Blithewold Gardens or Arboretum, the 83-year-old mansion of Agustus S. Van Wickie is situated on 33 acres of landscape featuring trees, flowers, and is located on Ferry Road, about a two-minute ride from campus.

The mansion is open daily for self-guided tours. Pictured above and to the right are two views of the mansion.

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Inaugural Ball

President Natale A. Sicuro, Roger Williams College's fifth president, was officially inaugurated at a ball held at Marble House, the former home of Newport socialite Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, in Newport on Saturday, April 28.

The lavish ball for about 300 friends of the college which included board members, members of the community, some faculty and a few students, featured music by the Duke Belaire Orchestra, strolling violinists and a menu of lobster and veal tenderloin.

For those who couldn't afford the $125 ticket price of what Sicuro said is going to be an annual event, there was the two-hour concert by the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra the night before in the Paolino Recreation Center. About 2,500 people attended the free concert, and pre-concert reception.

The festivities were also orchestrated to help Roger Williams celebrate its 20th anniversary in Bristol. The concert was described as a gift to the community, and Sicuro said it will also be an annual event.

The ball was a break-even affair, not a fundraiser, Sicuro said. Organized by five couples on the board of trustees, next year's affair is slated to be held in another Newport mansion, Rosecliff.

Mrs. Linda and President Sicuro with Mrs. Barbara and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Ralph Papitto.

Hope and Gary Keighley enjoy the ball with Bill O'Connell and John Dawson.

Violinists serenade guests before dinner.

The Duke Belaire Orchestra entertains guests in the Gold Ballroom of Marble House, the former home of Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt.

About 300 friends of the college attended the inaugural ball at Marble House.

Guests at the ball dance to the music of the Duke Belaire Orchestra.
Entertainment

Concert reaffirms Henley as songwriter

By Tim McCarney
Staff Writer

Fifteen years ago few would have pegged Don Henley as an environmentalist. Yet, the one-time chronicler of the L.A. nightlife has recently become the primary force behind a movement to save Walden Woods, the naturalists' utopia made famous by Henry David Thoreau. Henley and several friends such as former Eagle-mate Glenn Frey, Jimmy Buffett, and Bob Seger recently held two benefit concerts in Worcester, Massachusetts to help raise money to aid the cause.

Apparently a group of land developers are interested in turning the Woods into an office park, while Henley and his associates, including several members of the Massachusetts legislature, are offering to buy another plot of land for the developers in order to spare Walden Woods.

As Henley stated at his May 2 show at the Providence Civic Center, "We're going to seem like a bunch of hypocrites if we campaign against the cutting down of the Brazilian rain forests and then destroy Walden Woods."

This was just one of the issues Henley has been raising on his recent tour. As one might tell from the anti-Reagan sentiments on his latest album "The End of the Innocence", Henley has little sympathy for the flag-waving politicians who he feels are trying to pull the wool over our eyes. His songs reflect the angst of a generation that has been victimized by a system that helps the rich get richer and keeps the poor in their place. He spares no expense in getting his political views across to the audience.

Yet Henley's voice is understandably one of the best in music today, and it was as sharp as ever last Wednesday night. His raspy vocals translate extremely well from record to concert, probably better than most artists working today, and he comes off as one of the most sincere guys in the world. He thanked the audience. He thanked the audience constantly and chatted a bit about Providence, and ex-girlfriends among other things. When most performers try to establish similar rapport with the audience, they came off as over-blown showbiz priorities. Henley, most of whose songs fall into the categories "cynical" and "extremely cynical", for some strange reason seems like the guy next door.

Although Henley will probably be considered a member of the Eagles, his solo works received almost as much applause as the classics. A stripped-down version of his current hit "The Heart of the Matter" was mesmerizing, and his ode to the monsters of the media, "Dirty Laundry" (which he dedicated to the Wall Street Journal for its recent criticism of his involvement in the Walden debate) seemed much more zestful when performed live.

Political feelings aside, the concert reaffirmed Henley as a major songwriter in America. The song "The End of the Innocence" lamented the dawning of a new American whose first priority is "beating ploughshares into swords," while the band's other "It's Dirt Were Dollars" relates the humorous yet, somewhat disheartening story: "I was flying in from Lubbock, I saw Jesus on the plane. I thought it was Elvis, but I knew they kind of look the same."

The show had reached a fever pitch by the time Henley took to the drums for "Hotel California" and "Life in the Fast Lane." From there, he jumped into his biggest solo hits, "The Boys of Summer" and "All She Wants to Do Is Dance," and sent the audience into a tapissee with the closer "Desperado."

Unlike a lot of the rock-'n-roll dinosaurs who have taken up touring on a drive to raise their music as well as their bank accounts. Don Henley is still coming out music as valid and exciting as he did in the '70s. Whereas he once wrote about the lives and women of the L.A. nightlife, he now turns his attention to more weighty matters such as the governments' treatment of the farmer and man's losing touch with himself brilliantly portrayed in the song "New York Minute". The times have changed, and Henley has changed along with them. Here's hoping he continues his musical maturity in the '90s.

Rhode Island Philharmonic pleases

By Jenny Reynolds
Special to The Messenger

The kinship between popular music and romantic concert fare was beautifully illustrated at a concert performed by the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra on April 27 at Roger Williams College. The Philharmonic, which was incorporated in 1945, is the oldest professional performing arts organization in the state. It is under the direction of Paul Phillips. The concert was in celebration of the college's 20 years in Bristol and of the inauguration of President Natalie Sicuro, who made the opening remarks. The concert included a mixture of Arthur Fiedler's favorite works to conduct, and included Bizet, Styne, and Sousa, to name a few.

For the first half of the evening, the orchestra played pieces by Rossini, Bizet, and Rimsky-Korsakov. It started off with Rossini's Semiramis Overture, a rhythmic and theatrical piece won a Spanish Flair, and followed with Suite No. 1 from Carmen, by Bizet, which is five movements of toreadors, romance, waltzes, marches, and ended with a section which sounded like the Barum and Bailey's theme song overture. The piece was beautifully alive and a definite toe-tapper. This section of light classical selections, which Fielder loved to perform with Capriccio Espagnol.

The next piece on the program was "The Tyrolean" which was written by Larry Anderson for the Boston Pops Orchestra. This had to be the most theatrical and humorous piece on the program. Written 37 years ago, when the typewriter was in its heyday, it was the main source of communication, the piece featured the typewriter player and a computer player having a face off, and after several false starts and some audience participation, the typewriter won.

The concert by the typewriter blended beautifully with the rhythm and melody of the music. The sound was full and rich. The next piece was also by Anderson and was called Bugler's Holiday. The piece had a sound of a bugle by having three solo trumpets, and the tempo was kept by cymbals.

At this time, Phillips announced an impromptu addition to the program. This piece was an unusual mix of a horse trot and an alarm clock. It was a good addition to the concert. What else could follow this, but a "cool" polka. It was "The Farmer and Man's Losing Touch with Himself." It wasn't the type of polka you necessarily hear at a wedding, because it was missing that main ingredient, the accordion, but it was well-executed. And what concert in honor of Fiedler would be complete without a march by Sousa? This was not a piece which I had heard before, but being that I used to be in a marching band, I felt like marching.

The finale was a piece by Williams, the man who succeeded Fiedler as conductor of the Boston Pops. Williams is known for his film work and this piece, "Star Wars" medley was arranged by composer, one of the best works from his films.

Overall, the concert flowed, and you just didn't want it to end. Instead, I wanted to yell encore.

The acoustics, which are usually a problem, were excellent, due in part to padding added around the perimeter of the gym near the top of the walls. If you're looking for a great performance, all you have to do is track down the next Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra.
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Student Activities

Spirit Weekend

Spirit Weekend, April 20 through 22 kicked off on Friday night with a surf and turf cookout in the Dorm III courtyard, followed by a laser light show.

Activities picked up on Saturday, and enjoyed a good turnout despite the poor weather. Inside the rec center, Bill O'Connell, Dwight Dotcher, and Ed Brown, among others, in keeping with the water idea, each took a turn being a good sport while students took their best shots at trying to keep them in the swim.

The Earth Ball was a big hit as was Earth Day in general, which wrapped up the weekend as students, faculty and administrators gathered at lower Ferry Road to clean up the beach under the bridge.

Tau Epsilon Phi’s auction was only one of the activities during Spirit Weekend.

RWC students spend April 22, Earth Day cleaning the beach.

Billy O'Connell thinks a winning smile will keep people from dunking him....little does he know....

This student takes his best shot at the dunking booth.

The laser show lights up spirit weekend.
## Sports

### Volleyball team makes NCAA playoffs

By Neil Nachbar

Staff Writer

On March 22, the RWC men’s volleyball team qualified for the playoffs with a win at Harvard. The Hawks won the first two games handily, 15-9, 15-8. Just as the match seemed to be in the bag, RWC dropped the next two games, 13-15, 9-15. In the deciding game, Harvard was a point away from the win, but the Hawks stayed tough and won in dramatic fashion, 17-15.

The Hawks’ opponent for the opening round of the playoffs was the Naval Academy. On April 14, RWC travelled to Annapolis, Maryland hoping to pull off an upset. Navy had been nationally ranked all year.

The Hawks surprised Navy by jumping out to an 8-2 lead in the first game. Navy tried to climb back into it, but the Hawks may have played their best all-around game this year, and won 15-10. RWC trailed in the second game, 8-13. The Hawks scored five unanswered points, but lost 13-15. The third game was a similar story. RWC was down 4-8, but managed to tie the game at 10. After several side outs, the Cadets won 15-10. The fourth game started out as a battle. Neither team was able to gain much of an advantage, until the score read 9-9. Navy scored the final six points to close out the match, following a number of long volleys.

Although we lost, this was our best match of the year because we came together as a team,” said head coach Marcus Jannitto. “Not a player on this squad has anything to be ashamed about.”

The Hawks closed out the season with a 10-14 record. Seniors Chip Farmer and Mike Palazzo were ranked 11TH and 12TH in the country in blocking.

Returning starters, Kevin Johnson, Steve Mitchell, Ben Heroux, and captain Mark Mastin, will try to fill in for the loss of Farmer and Palazzo. The Hawks will try for their third straight trip to the NCAA tournament.

### Hawks finish fourth in Commonwealth conference

By Neil Nachbar

Staff Writer

The RWC Softball team recently wrapped up their season. The Hawks finished fourth out of the seven teams in the Commonwealth Coast Conference. RWC (6-9 overall, 3-5 in the conference) received some strong individual performances, which were reflected in the .285 team batting average. Inexperience may have hurt us, said first year head coach, Kelly Mitchell. “We hit the ball very hard, but our defense needed some work.”

Thirteen of the seventeen girls on the roster are either freshmen or sophomores. Individual achievements worth noting:

- Lisa Salatto: .454, 13 runs, 20 hits, 7 walks
- Tammy D’Aquila: .342, 13 RBIs, 9 runs, 5 walks
- Terry Welch: .342, 11 RBIs, 7 runs, 2 HR
- Christine Lowrie: .325, 12 RBIs, 10 runs, 7 walks
- Tracey DaCosta, Lori-Ann Molloy were selected to represent RWC at the all-star game.

Diana Mead were chosen second team all-conference. Molloy was the team’s only senior. Pictured to the right is the RWC Women’s Softball team.


### Tennis team results

#### Men’s Tennis Results

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Photo by Meghan Duffy

Roland Muller extends an arm for a clean return.
Sports

Lacrosse team gives a strong finale

By Neil Nachbar
Staff Writer

On April 19, the RWC Lacrosse Team played Clark University. The game may have been the team's best all around performance this year. The Hawks took a 3-0 lead when Chris Huston scored the next two goals. RWC goalie, Steve Gryzlo, stopped a shot at the buzzer, marking the end of the first quarter. The save preserved a 5-2 lead after the opening period.

When the action resumed, the Hawks went on an 8-3 run. RWC coasted the rest of the way, and won 19-8.

The victory broke a four game losing streak. RWC lost at Mass Merrimack College in overtime, 15-16, on April 28. Steve O'Brien had seven goals and one assist, and Kelly had four goals and two assists in the losing cause.

Although the team may only have a (4-6) record this season, head coach, Dennis Dobbyn may have something to look forward to. The top four scorers for the Hawks are either freshmen or sophomores, and Huston is the only senior on the squad.

Equestrian team rides to victory

By Stephen Dwyer
Staff Writer

Well, why shouldn't head coach, Michaela Scanlon and her equestrian riders feel good about their season? They only finished third out of 16 teams in the region and placed second at the University of Connecticut regional tournament to qualify for the zones (competition). "We have come a long way. In the past we finished toward the middle of the end (in competition)." said Scanlon with a smile. Junior open rider, Kate Alderfer, was also happy with the team's success. "This is the best we've done, since I've been here," she said. Teammate Sharon Orser agreed, "There was a lot of improvement and consistency this year," she said.

RWC went against the odds this year riding against schools like Yale, URI, Stonehill and the University of Connecticut. "Most of the teams we compete against are from larger schools. Coming from a small school we only work with 8 to 12 riders," Scanlon said. "UConn has up to 50 students who try out for the team."

In spite of all the success this season, coach Scanlon and Alderfer are even more optimistic about next year. "We did two shows this year without an open rider and next year we have two (open riders)," Scanlon said. "Next year will be our strongest team," Alderfer said. "Basically we are all sophomores and juniors. We will continue to improve and have improved." Only two seniors, Tony Urgman and Kevin Spandler, are leaving.

Equestrian meet results

4/1 at Salve Regina College
Sharon Orser 4TH INTERMED. FLAT, 2ND INTERMED. FENCES
Kelly Macmillan 4TH INTERMED. FLAT
Paula Kelly 5TH NOVICE FLAT, 5TH NOVICE FENCES
Jose Figueirinhas 4TH ADV. WALK, TROT, CANTER
Tanya Pekera 1ST ADV. WALK, TROT, CANTER
Kevin Spandler 3RD ADV. WALK, TROT
Sam Arnold 5TH BEG. WALK, TROT, CANTER

4/7 at Connecticut College
Priscilla McDowell 1ST INTERMED. FENCES, 4TH INTERMED. FLAT
Sharon Orser 1ST INTERMED. FENCES, 4TH INTERMED. FLAT
Shelly Patrick 4TH INTERMED. FENCES, 6TH INTERMED. FLAT
Kim McCaw 4TH NOVICE FENCES, 2ND NOVICE FLAT
Jose Figueirinhas 3RD NOVICE FENCES
Tanya Pekera 5TH NOVICE FENCES
Tony Erdman 4TH ADV WALK, TROT
Kinks deliver at RWC

By Amy Levey

The Roger Williams College community got a real treat at the Recreation Center this past Saturday as The Kinks, who were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame last December, performed live in concert. The band, which has been together for almost 25 years, energetically delivered all of their hits to a very excited crowd. They opened with hits like "State of Confusion," "Paranoid," and "Come Dancin,' when everyone did just that. Then they played "It," when lead singer Ray Davies mentioned Earth Day and the harmful effects that television has on society, as a result of advertising and other influential dramas. The song was also about a lonely housewife in Middle America who comes alive in fantasy while watching television. Two dancers, one clad in a drag housecoat and head scarf and the other, her counterpart, in a black slip, moved suggestively about the stage. They finished off with two tremendous crowd pleasers, "Lola," during which everyone sang along, and then "All Day, All Night," a hit that everyone seemed to love. After five minutes they came back out for an encore, where they first played the introduction to "You Really Got Me," and then the whole tune, at which point no-one was standing still. A girl was pulled up onto the stage to dance with the band while everyone else went wild. The band was personable and fun, and their intense talent and energy was.

Nelson calls for conservation

By Lisa Hathaway

President Bush faces a challenge more serious than any war, that of preserving our environment, warned Gaylord Nelson, a former Senator and the international representative of the ecological movement who organized the first "Earth Day" in 1969. This April 22 marked the 20th anniversary of Earth Day. Colleges are actively involved all around the country with 20 million people from 2000 colleges participating nationwide. "Earth Day provides an opportunity for people across the country to show interest and concern in their environment," Nelson said.

Photo by Meghan Duffy

Nelson's solutions to the country's environmental problems included "a move to design an environmental sustainable economy," he said, adding that we also need to reduce the pollutants in our world. "All segments of our society, the general public as well as the government are in jeopardy unless we sustain an economic system that will benefit us in preserving the environment," Nelson said. "The main problem is the exponential population growth in our society," Nelson said. "There is an absence of an environmental conservation ethic in our culture," he added.

He said if we had such an ethic, we wouldn't have destroyed most of our everglades. Ninety percent of what we've done could have been avoided. The cost is cheaper than fixing the mistake, which we shouldn't have made in the first place, he said.

Nelson said we need farsighted bold leadership. Nothing will be accomplished without the help of the president and the government; they must work together to create an environmentally-stable economy.

Nelson said it is the people's "civic responsibility to be a conservative society." He feels every school in America from kindergarten through eighth grade should include some sort of environmental education in its curriculum. This, he said, will help to raise an environmental country.

"We need to raise a conservative generation which would be an investment in the future," he said.

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8. Frisbees, volleyball, swimming, baseball.
10. The only ice you're likely to see is the cubes keeping your drink cool.
Noteworthy

Sophomore class officers are pictured here with their new friends from the "Little Friends Preschool".

The sophomore class has had a busy year. In October they brought you pumpkins to help celebrate Halloween. They put a turkey basket together in November in order to feed a family Thanksgiving dinner. Santa Claus arrived in December to take pictures with his favorite RWC students. Money donated by RWC students bought toys for children in a local orphanage. In February at the Providence Billmore, RWC students danced with their favorite sweethearts at the second annual Semi-Formal Valentine's Day dance. A dinner theater was set up in March where students could enjoy a good meal while watching a production of Neil Simon's Last of the Red Hot Lovers. Just before spring break RWC helped bring the Easter Bunny to the YMCA in Bristol for young children to enjoy. On April 3, the sophomore class sponsored an Easter Egg Hunt for the children of "Little Friends Preschool" at the Bristol town YMCA. The rain outside didn't spoil the fun inside. The children really enjoyed themselves and so did the sophomore class officers. The last event of the year for the sophomore class was an end of the year picnic at Colt State Park. The sophomore class recently reelected their class officers to lead them through their junior year. They are: President, Denise Conte, Vice President, Krista Katsepetses, Secretary, Jennifer Maute and Treasurer Douglas Emilio.

Treat loans as a future investment

By Rick Resende Special to the Messenger

The average student loan amount is approximately $8500, but a college degree can earn $600,000 more than a high-school diploma over a lifetime, therefore, a loan should be taken as an investment in your future. Before a loan is considered it is necessary to find out how much can be paid back after graduation. The Career Service Office can help you find out starting entry level salaries related to your major. You'll be making more money once you graduate, but you might also have other costs, like a car payment, or apartment rental, so it is necessary to find out the entry level income for your profession and plan to budget 8 percent of that for student loan payments. A starting salary of $25,000, for example, allows a student to borrow $12,500 and make monthly payments of $167 at 10% interest for 10 years. The Stafford Loan allows a student to borrow up to $13,250 over a four-year period, thus the above example would fit into the loan's allowance. The Stafford Loan doesn't require any payments while you're in school and you only have to begin paying it six months after graduation. Its interest rate is 8 percent for the first four years and 10 percent for the remaining years taken to repay the loan. Planning ahead prevents unexpected expenses. Loans are an excellent way to establish strong credit, as long as you pay them back on time. When you fail to pay your loan, you are in default. Default is failure to meet your financial obligations when a payment is both due and payable. Only 5 percent of those who borrow end up defaulting and that is usually due to a lack of planning and communication. However, once you default, the entire amount of your loan may be due and you tax refunds may be withheld. Careful loan planning and counseling can provide you with a great alternative to making school payments. It is a form of aid that helps you to develop good financial habits. The Financial Aid Office will help you if you want more information on loans. Contact the Financial Aid Office at extension 2100, or stop by for an appointment.

A little of this....

Darren Jones and Bridget Lanagan man the This and That Retail stand.

Photo by Meghan Duffy

You may have noticed a white cart outside the student union lately. No, it's not the good humor man, it's Diane Harvey's retail management class. The proceeds will go to buy business books and journals. The students, who are being graded on participation and how well they push the product, will be selling their wares until the last day of exams.

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of traffic and people on campus. Doing this, she said, would also create a lot of green space.
Sicuro offered that the college is looking into purchasing options on property north of north
campus. Doing this would add green space provided the college did not then decide to
develop any property it is to acquire.
Students experience Jamaican culture

By Lisa Bigelow
Special to The Messenger

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With the retinae of my eyes, I saw many animals that were very large in size. 

The group spent half a day visiting an extraordinary sight called Dunn's River Falls. "It was a piece of cake for us," he said. "Their tour went down and it was time for us all to go home or do whatever we wanted." 

"It was interesting to hear about the trip to Jamaica. It sounds like a learning opportunity and some of the sights they saw they may never see again," said Terry Heston, a student who attended the lecture. 

Natural science major Rich Eckart said he learned a lot about Jamaica from the talk and that it was interesting to see what the group did. "I learned about the culture as well as the biological features," he said. 

"It was a lot more work than I thought, but I had a lot of fun," said Kate Hughes, one of the students who went on the trip. Hughes said she might go back next year for an independent study. "I call it going from the two dimensional black and white system here to the three dimensional color down there," Gould said. "The bay is a very rich environment, but there are a lot of other areas in the world." 

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Cap & Gown
All graduation students are asked to pick up caps, gowns, hoods, invitations, and rain tickets starting Monday May 7th through Saturday May 12th. You can pick them up in the Union at the Director of Aux. and Student Activities Office.

Senior Days
MAY 17 CRUISE
Vista Jubilee, Warren. Buses leave Almeda at 7:00 PM sharp. Cruise is followed by a gathering at the Clubhouse.

MAY 18 PICNIC/PARENTS
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM by the pond. Featuring DJ Gary Valentine. Parents Night 6:30 at the Paolino Recreation Center.

Tickets for Cruise $10.00
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Tickets for both days $13.00

Schedule to pick up Cap & Gown

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