RWC plans on stepping up recruitment in Ocean State

By Brian Fortin
Staff Writer

Every fall thousands of students go to college seeking additional knowledge and hoping to find a career path. Some of those students travel hundreds of miles, while others decide to stay close to home and attend a nearby college or university. Each person has his or her decisions and opinions.

However, the question here is why Rhode Island students decide? Do most R.I. high school students decide to stay in the small state in which they grew up or do they venture yonder to see new sights or experience different weather and more importantly, if they do stay in state, do they come to RWC?

In the past, as well as present, RWC has had its share of in-state students; however, it's not a large share. There is an estimated 15 percent of the RWC population who originate from within the Rhode Island border. With some easy math, one can determine the other 85 percent come from out-of-state (in particular Massachusetts and Connecticut, which are the highest represented states on campus). Why then only 15 percent of the population are from in-state?

Just a glance at surroundings may be the answer. R.I. is small and coincidentally has a well-known state university. It can be guessed that many area students attend the University of Rhode Island over area private colleges, such as RWC, for certain reasons: from financial to location to resource reasons. To add, URI has an abundance of state support and appears under large portion of the higher-education spotlight.

Is this the problem for RWC: lack of exposure? As one RWC student and Johnston, R.I. native, Kevin Aglione, says, "I learned about the school through the father of one of my friends, not through advertisements or commercials." As for any who watch television, they may catch a URI commercial twice a day. This is allowing a daily reminder to those soon-to-be R.I. graduates that URI exists.

Though RWC does not have daily commercials appearing during the 5:00 news, there is an attempt to get the word out of campus. As William Galloway, dean of admissions, states, "We want to make RWC a household name."

In an effort to accomplish this task, Galloway has decided to change a few things in the admissions office. Foremost is the (soon-to-be) hiring of a College Admissions Representative who will visit area schools and advertise RWC by handing out Recruits.

Some teachers claim administration unfair toward adjunct faculty

By Wayne Shulman
Staff Writer

According to the National Education Association (NEA), part-time faculty should receive the same salary and fringe benefits as full-time faculty according to the workload. At RWC, this is not the case.

Adjunct faculty here have reduced benefits. For example, they receive no retirement benefits. The benefits they do receive are either prorated according to percentage of classes they teach or withheld, in the case of evening instructors.

The misuse and abuse of part-time, temporary and nontenured faculty constitutes one of the most serious problems confronting American higher education, according to the NEA.

A number of the other problems, according to Glenna Andrade, an adjunct teacher in Humanities, is that administration wants to cut their life and health insurance benefits which started in the '70s.

Part-time is getting paid $2,000 per course, which is one third less than full-time. The administration wants to keep their pay the same for the next three years, stated Andrade.

Kate Mele was a part-time teacher for Humanities, but became full-time this year. She was given the office that part-time faculty had for office hours. The part-time faculty were then moved to the old Learning Center in Central Hall. There are 20 part-timers in Humanities who share that office.

Andrade said, "It is unethical because if I have to tell a student that he/she is failing, it's embarrassing for that student if other teachers are around. Unfortunately, many adjunct faculty are reluctant to complain because they are hired from semester to semester and risk losing their job."

Volleyball coach resigns; cites lack of support from the athletic department

By Neill Nachbar
Managing Editor

When the men's volleyball team played Princeton in the NCAA tournament two weeks ago, it marked the end of an era.

It was the last match in the career of setter Mark Mastin and head coach Kevin Lynch.

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Plan for the 90s attempts to raise global awareness

By Karen Snyder
Staff Writer

The RWC Plan for the 90s features a number of goals and objectives the administration has prepared to meet for this decade. The major themes include: uniqueness, academic excellence, community partnerships, physical presence, financial viability and global awareness.

Global awareness is a theme of such importance for many reasons. Our society is often faced with international issues and will be even more so in the future. The fact that our technology allows us to reach any global destination in a rather short period of time leaves little doubt of the need to increase the knowledge of this concept in our student body.

The area surrounding RWC is in itself worthy of historical awareness. Two major ethnic communities of the areas are Portuguese and Italian, which the college hopes to expose to the international students.

RWC plans to accomplish this by, "establishing a center for cultural and ethnic studies, promoting a study abroad for all students, building on the London program." Presently foreign language study, a primary means of increasing global awareness, is a lacking area. The plan states an objective to "establish a task force to study ways of strengthening foreign languages and culture...in consultation with the School of Humanities."

Adjunct teachers treated unfairly, some faculty say

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John Holmes, an adjunct teacher of Architecture, said, "Most Architecture teachers are free-thinkers who when told to walk a straight line walk another way."

Most full timers get a private office, but Holmes said, "I don't need a private office. I like to see around me." He added, "I don't have much contact with administration, more with the students."

When asked how Holmes felt about part-time and full-time teachers in general, he responded, "School shouldn't be administration/teachers/students. It should just be people."

Office hours for adjuncts are two hours per week, but that is adequate for Holmes. Holmes said he would like to have more space for seminar groups, parking stickers to be continually sent in, and always having the mail and the mail room." Richard Spivak, an adjunct teacher in Business, said, "Part timers are held in very high esteem and are highly regarded by full time architecture teachers."

When asked what he would like changed, he said, "I think there should be more space for office hours. There is a need for that."

Anthony Simonetti, another adjunct teacher in Business felt the same as Spivak. Simonetti said, "I find it very enjoyable, it is challenging but I enjoy the job."

Paul Donnelly, a full-time Architecture teacher, said, "Part timers are held in very high esteem and are highly regarded by full time architecture teachers."

Full time teachers in Architecture have six hours for office hours as opposed to the two which part timers get. Donnelly thinks it is enough time because he is always walking around the architecture building helping students.

J. Philip Schuyler, head of the History department, thinks the school uses part-time but they don't provide them with space for resources. The college pays part time as cheap labor," said Schuyler.

Cynthia Taylor, said part-time teachers are professionals and there is no difference in teaching. They just don't have full time teachers. Schuyler said part-time teachers come in and then turn off the上课 of courses, the need for more space to work in and being mispaid.

The NEA recommends that colleges and universities convert all improper part-time and temporary faculty to full-time positions when possible, as soon as it is practical. They should adopt policies through faculty governance and/or collective bargaining that will prevent the improper and excessive use of part-time faculty.

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"Through doing these things we hope to get them (high school students) more exposed to the campus and what we have to offer," says Galloway.

One incentive to provide local students planning to go to college is to offer scholarships. One scholarship in particular, the Memorial Fund for Fallen Firemen grant, offers a full four-year tuition grant to the child or grandchild of a Bristol firefighter or police officer.

As Galloway further develops programs to encourage high school students to attend RWC, the campus can only wait to see the percentage of high school graduates deciding to continue learning at RWC.
The trials of being homosexual discussed at RWC forum

By Sean Lewis Associate Editor

When you get a large number of people living in a small area it becomes a community, such as the RWC campus has.

The diversity of the college community was last addressed Feb. April 15, when a panel discussion titled "Being Gay On Campus" was held to the Classroom Building.

The panel, sponsored by the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual (LGBA), Student Life Department, Auxiliary Services, Minority Affairs Committee, and the Counseling and Student Development, Women's Center and the Dean of Students Office, maintained the idea that people of different sexual orientations have to deal with the same society that they have to deal with in the community.

"People appreciate this commitment," added Gillette, who said that the school is not certain how many years the freeze will last.

A subcommittee reviews costs annually and comes up with the tuition fees, she said.

Cafeteria Food Scam Reported

Corvallis, Ore. (CPS) If you ask other students, the motive had to be financial. good taste certainly had nothing to do with it.

Police at Oregon State University have uncovered a scam involving 27 students who falsified computer records to get free food service.

Police allege that junior Rehan Ahmed Zakat, 23, who works in the student identification center, was the main instigator of the scam that netted over $25,000 worth of university food over a one-year period, the school paper The Daily Barometer reported.

Police believe Zakat entered the names of 27 students, including himself, into university records showing that he paid for a university meal plan, when in reality they hadn't.

According to the Daily Barometer, 25 of the 26 other students have confessed and all have agreed to repay the school's food services and face criminal charges of first-degree theft or aggravated first-degree theft.

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By Nell Nachbar Managing Editor

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"She might not be doing $250 worth of work. She should maybe start with $100."

Senator Erin Demjanich disagreed. "I feel the money is justified. At first I was skeptical, but I did some research and found that there is an incredible amount of work involved."

Vice President Greg Casey felt, like Samolyk, felt that the amount the parliamentarian receives should be determined by experience. "It was difficult for her getting paid, but she's getting the same as Dana got," Casey said. "I think the longer you're there, the more you should get.

Secretary Rob Eigian said he didn't have a problem with the amount, but thought the Senators should also get paid.

"I don't think it's difficult to find someone to do it for less or for free. The Senate has toyed with the idea of getting paid because Senates at all other schools do."
"The Virtue of Reality" on display at the Architecture Gallery

By Joe Baruffaldl
Staff Writer

The current exhibit in the Architecture Gallery, "Schwartz/Silver: Architects: Virtue of Reality," as with recent exhibits, deals with the design process of the buildings shown. But unlike the other exhibits, "Virtue of Reality" demonstrates a different, yet vitally, component in the design of architecture. In conjunction with the lecture given by Warren Schwartz, principal of the firm, this exhibit manifests the spirit or essence that helps form architecture.

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For firms such as Schwartz/Silver, who are concerned with the art of architecture, rather than just the process of building, the design process becomes increasingly more complicated. Architecture is a component that can combine often abstract artistic notions that feel best capture the essence of a project. This can be the site, client, budget and building construction.

"Virtue of Reality" represents Schwartz/Silver's success in this struggle. The sketches and drawings of the exhibit capture the artistic essence of the projects, while the photographs manifest these notions in built form. Including buildings from both rural and urban settings, the exhibit demonstrates the firm's ability to meet various architectural challenges.

In confronting the rural setting, Schwartz/Silver has designed two houses that sit as objects in the landscape. That is, not attempting to become one with the landscape. These houses, one in the Berkshires of western Massachusetts and the other in the Catskills of eastern New York, use similar approaches, but their expressions are quite different.

The house at Tanglewood, according to Schwartz, sits on its site as a rock ready to fall off the side of the hill. The multiple hard edges and oversized ornamentation combine with the bright white color of the house to contrast its setting and reinforce this image.

The major volume expressed on the exterior is a grand living room inside made to look like a small boy's bedroom. The essence of this room and the music played there is captured in a series of powerful drawings, creating a different image than that of the exterior.

The Lazarus house also celebrates a grand room.

The form of the grand room echoes the landform of the hills of the Taconic State Park, which is stated Schwartz. This white, gently curving form contrasts the grey and yellow square forms of the adjacent rooms to again create a building that sits as a piece of sculpture in the landscape.

The interior, detailed beautifully in wood, frames the views of the landscape surrounding the house. Unfortunately, this interior is only shown in the lecture and the drawings of the house do nothing to capture its presence on the site.

Within the urban context, Schwartz/Silver demonstrates the ability to design buildings that respond to their setting, rather than just being objects on it. The Wellesley Firestation and the MIT Library of Art, Architecture and Planning are manifestations of this.

The brick volumes of the Wellesley Firestation capture the imagery of tradition andNew England firestations and serve as a gateway to Wellesley while blending into the language of the town. The steel detailing of the arch and the bays celebrate the firetrucks underneath and create a bridge.

Working in much the same way, the glass and steel structure of the MIT Library displays the schools impressive collection and expresses the pride MIT has in it.

The design also conforms to site, preserving the bequest of existing firetrucks below. Internally the library expresses a separation and a connection to the stone and masonry building it is attached to. "A gap allows the two buildings to be separate, whereas views and a bridge on the second floor connect the two," stated Schwartz.

As K. Michael Hays writes in the pamphlet for the exhibit, "For Schwartz/Silver, architecture is assuming the aesthetic with the functional, the visual with the programmatic." This ability to combine both the artistic and operational aspects of architecture has made the work of Schwartz/Silver a second floor of reality.

Volleyball coach resigns

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nation was shock. "I was really surprised," said co-captain Kevin Johnson. "He was the best coach I've ever had.

By the same token, Johnson was understanding of Lynch's decision.

"Coaching put a big strain on his job. He sacrificed a lot of vacation time to coach us," said Johnson. "It seemed like everything we tried to do got screwed up. Whenever we needed something from the athletic department it was like pulling teeth.

A classic athletic department blunder occurred in Princeton. The team arrived at the hotel to find that the hotel had been paid for. Lynch ended up charging the rooms (close to $800) to his own credit card.

What does coaching mean? The answer which led to Lynch's decision was the lack of support the financial aid office was giving to students. Over the last couple of years there have been several talented players who were forced to either quit the team in order to work or transfer to another school.

While Lynch admits to not knowing much about financial aid, he asks, "Why can't we be as competitive in the area of financial aid as our other schools?" He is convinced by saying, "I don't think the financial aid office understands the athletic department.

Unlike the other teams at RWC, the volleyball team competes against mostly Div. I and Div. II colleges which are allowed to offer student/athletes partial or full athletic scholarships.

A freshman on the team, who was ranked in the top 20 in the country in blocking, probably won't be returning because of financial difficulty.

"I'm told that coaching is something he'll miss quite a bit. "It will be a tough void to fill," he added.

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Other activities of the day will include a nature walk planned for the late afternoon. In that Place from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., there will be movies and documents about the earth. One of the documentaries that will be shown General Electric won an Oscar for best documentary film. It shows the company's faulty environmental practices and lack of concern for their workers. Two others are "Greenspeace's greatest Hits" and "The Lorax" by Dr. Seuss. Later that night, the Continental will have a speaker on the environment. Kirkpatrick Sale, founder of the Green Party in New York will speak on native Americans, the Angola versus Indian ideal and the 500th anniversary of Columbus's arrival.

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A preview of Earth Day at RWC

By Tina Gaetani
Staff Writer

RWC will be celebrating Earth Day with the Environmental Action Club on Wednesday April 22. Students are encouraged to join in the celebration that will continue all day and through the weekend. Area colleges have been invited as well.

The emphasis of Earth Day '92, as before, will be on environmental awareness and conservation.

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A letter from the editor

Hello again boys and girls! This is my last issue as managing editor so I thought it would be appropriate to thank some very special people.

The Messenger has made great strides this semester. The news section has included several pro- virus editorials, which questioned administration and made students think.

Joe Baruffaldi and Darren Fava. Both had very little experience before this semester, but handled the challenge admirably.

Colin Hynes has done a great job as sports editor this semester and I think that had been vacant since last spring. He has made sure that each team and athlete has received the coverage they deserve.

As entertainment editor, Susan M. put together an entertainment section which rivals those of much larger newspapers. Her trivia contests have been successful in getting students to "interact" with The Messenger.

Not many newspapers could exist without a strong student calls for improvement of the athletic facilities

To the Editor:

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Holiday hours show insensitivity towards those who stayed

This past weekend was Easter/Passover weekend. Most people went home for the holiday. However, not everyone stayed.

Some people, especially international students, live too far away to go home for four days. Some people are not Christian or Jewish and, thus, do not celebrate the holiday. Then there are those who decided to take the four days off to catch up on their homework.

There was only one problem. The campus was virtually shut down. Only the cafeteria was open for students. Anyone who thought they would have an opportunity to do work in the library or at the microlab found that these places were locked up.

To add to the problem, the ATM machine was broken for a couple of days. Students who needed money to get into town were left stranded.

It is understandable that the library and the micro lab would be closed on Easter Sunday. It is a major holiday in the U.S. However, Friday and Saturday were typical holidays. It is not insulting to someone who is not of the Christian, or even Jewish, religion to shut everything down.

It was also a slap in the face to anyone who wanted to make good use of free time. By shutting the campus down, the school wasted the time of anyone who stayed.

Granted, it wasn’t the school’s fault that the ATM machine had broken down. But, students are paying money for these facilities. If the school is going to keep the dorms open all weekend, then they should make sure that the students who stay have use of areas that they may need.

The least the school could have done for these students is move two or three Data General computers into the library and have the library open for part of the afternoon on Friday and Saturday.

There is a certain responsibility that the college has to its students; namely, to provide an environment conducive to learning at all times.

Something is wrong when students have to pay the tuition they are paying, yet have to use such important facilities as the library and computers. If the college community cannot afford to purchase library and computer time, the college should purchase valuable books and raise the level of student output, it must consider that the students needs should come first.

Credit where credit’s due for the Student Business Organization

To the Editor:

I would like to commend Jon Bassuk on his article in the March 17 issue regarding Edgar Tatro’s discussion on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

However, on behalf of the Student Business Organization, I feel that his lecture was one of the most attended of any forum that has been held at RWC.

Once again, Bassuk’s article was superb. We just regret that we were given the respect and recognition we deserve in pulling off such a successful forum.

Sincerely,

Kristy Meghreblian

Bassuk’s article.

A lot of hard work and persistence in getting people to come, including alumni and local Bristol residents, went into the success of Bassuk’s presentation. We feel that his lecture was one of the most attended of any forum that has been held at RWC.

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Events In Review: Beware of the Environmentalist Left

By William B. Darby

Staff Writer

As President Bush pro-
claimed April 22, 1990 Earth Day, a radical agenda most people might not have been aware of was taking place behind the scenes.

Bush said he wanted to "heighten public aware-
ness of the need for active participation in the protec-
tion of our environment and to promote the formation of an international alliance that recognizes our global environmental concerns." But what could Bush have in mind for an "international environmental alliance"?

It is a well-known fact that Bush is fond of international alliances. This is the same President that thinks very highly of the United Nations and continues to support the formation of a "New World Order."

The John Birch Society, a private educational group, says what Bush has in mind is an international treaty on the environment which would give the U.N. the power to go into any country including ours, to deal with environmental problems.

This means giving up our sovereignty (our right to government). The biggest environmental problem would be to occur in the U.S. and you would be the cause of it. A group of U.N. envirocoops would come and arrest you and take you to a U.N. holding facility somewhere, not neces-
sarily here, while you await trial in a U.N. court. Your only defense would be to try to prove you were innocent, which would amount to nothing. You would be indicted according to any rules the U.N. sets up.

How could this happen in the U.S., you ask? Any treaty that the U.S. Senate rat-
fies becomes, according to the Constitution, the highest law of the land, and the only beginning of what the radical environmental left has in mind, and Bush is a member of it.

Earth Day is another example of the extremist environmental left. The John Birch Society says, "Environmental concern has been grossly exaggerated in a deliberate campaign to gain support of radical alterations of American people's way of life. No one denies that there is legitimate environmental concern. But, we must not allow our nation to be steamrolled into a loss of sovereignty and an end of personal freedom in the name of lighting pollution or protecting the environment." We say we appreciate Earth Day at its roots. Some of its national direc-
tors, as far back as 1970, were members of the Cour-
cil on Foreign Relations (CFR). The CFR is a socialist group based in New York that wants the U.S. to surren-
der its sovereignty to a one-world government. Among CFR members: George Bush, Tom Brokaw, Jim Lehrer, and Resources Institute Presi-
dent, Jessica Matthews. Matthews was quoted in 1988 as saying: "Environ-
mental strains that transcend national borders are already--let's go--breaking down the sacred boundaries of national sovereignty."

As Gary Benoit, re-
search director at the John Birch Society says, "If envi-
ronmental extremists are allowed to succeed in their plans, the American people will be convinced that they must leave their homes, their livelihood, boost federal spend-
ing and accept international authority in order to save the environment. We are a truly unproved and unsubstantiated theories."

Well said, Gary.

So, for Earth Day, plant some trees. You can't go wrong there and we need more of them. But, the best thing you can do is be aware of what's wrong around you. For yourself, make this Earth Day the beginning of a new era of understanding.

A Legacy of Neglect: The Failures of Earth Day

By Matthew W. Rossil

Staff Writer

Nineteen sixty-nine was a bad year for the environ-
ment. The Cuyahoga River in Cleveland, Ohio caught fire. So much waste had been pumped into the river from steel mills, mines and city sewage lines that methane gas was being constantly extruded. The river was inches more of oil than water. Then a steel mill dumped hot slag directly into the river and another... this happened. The river ignited over a several hundred mile stretch in a conflagration that lasted hours.

That year, environmentalists staged "Earth Day," demonstrations on April 1 in protest. They were calling for stiff federal regulations limiting factory dis-
charges of the air and water. Some people see these protests as the crucible in which the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was formed. It's a good start.

But what have we done with Earth Day since? We've turned it into a bacchian-
allav revel, another excuse to have massive free concerts and get stinking drunk. When did the legacy get so di-
diluted?

One of the problems is a simple incapability on the part of many people to admit that there are serious problems with the environment. Four or five years ago, we had severe winters with a good amount of snowfall. Lately, however, we've been lucky to see eight inches in a season. Is this attributable to global warming? That's debatable.

What is not debatable is that our environment is altering in response to our actions. There are holes in our ozone layer, toxic and inert gases in our atmos-
phere, petrochemicals in our seas and carcinogens in our land. Remember Love Canal? What good does picking up a few wrappers in Roger Wil-
liams Park and sifting a few pack do against these threats?

I am reminded of the banner year 1969 again, the year when environmental issues first achieved na-
tional attention along all strata of our society. In that fateful year, Lake Erie was pronounced "dead" by an ecological study. One of the Great Lakes had a funeral in 1969. That's what made sure that this does not happen again, we get in our can (notorious polluters that have been labeled "Milber Band") How does this help? Where's the education, the learning? That's what I'm asking, that was called for in '69? What are we thinking?

At the beginning of the 80's, when stricter measures were required, the EPA re-
taxed its interpretation of the Clean Air Act, which is seen as a lynchpin by many environmentalists. So, in or-
der to oppose this, we party? This mindset of refusing to see a problem or celebrating before the victory is won is what we call "factory pollution." Crunch we eat how or much we recycle. The struggle is not over. It's barely been started.

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The Messenger

Lunchtime: Death may not be funny, but beef jerky is

by Chris Zammarelli
Devout Catholic

My aunt recently died. This is not a good thing for many people don't find dying funny. I myself don't see anything humorous about death. However, under certain circumstances, death can be pretty goofy.

My aunt lived in New Hampshire, but she wanted to be buried in her故mother's home in Winnenden, Mass. Her body was cremated and a funeral procession drove from New Hampshire to Winnenden. Once in Winnenden, my family gathered around the gravesite. Then my cousin, who had been driving with our relatives from New Hampshire, approached my uncle and told him it was too bad that my aunt would not be at the funeral.

Everyone scolded him for making the comment, but he meant every word of it. The hearse was empty. My aunt, my cousin had stated, was still in New Hampshire. The funeral parlor had forgotten to bring her.

Right now, you are probably saying to yourself, "There's just something about a lovely beverage served with a twist of lemon." I, on the other hand, am wondering, "How do you for­
get to bring a body to his or her own funeral?" Shouldn't this be the first thing they check?

Funeral director: Got gas for the hearse?

Hearse driver: Yup. Passed the hearse. But don't a map to get to Win­nenden?

Funeral director: Why do I have a feeling we're forgetting something?

Hearse driver: Did you remember to pack a lunch for the trip?

Funeral director: Yeah. Oh, well. I guess it couldn't be too important, right?

My family has a sick sense of humor as it is, so they found this turn of events really amusing. In fact, they have been making jokes about it ever since. I don't think it comes as any surprise to anyone who reads my column that I come from a family with a sick sense of humor. Being primarily in the medical busi­ness greatly has an influence on the family. My parents, for example, buy a newswrap and the first thing they read is the obituaries. Then they cross those names out of the phone book. (You laugh, but my phone book is the most up-to-date book in the Northeast.) I'm having trouble at this point in the column. You see, I want to write about the advanced scientific technol­ogy in meat research, and I just can't seem to get to it, even with a tasteful way for me to segue to that topic from fu­neral directors. I'll have to do is use this paragraph as a segue and hope that no one notices.

In recent years, there has been a lot of research into meat products. I don't know, he was the banker who allegedly stole $13 million from his own bank, then took off. Many people had theories about where he went. I, for one, thought that he had become a part of the Mt. Hope Bridge. When he surrendered, he only had $89 in his wallet, leading many to wonder where the rest of the money went. From what I understand, he lent the money to a couple of Congressmen friends of his. Unfortunately, he went on with bad checks.

A note to readers of The Messenger: This week's column is dedicated to the memory of Sam Kinison, who died in a car crash on April 10. He may not have been everyone's cup of lovely beverage, but I liked him. Good night, Sam.

Lunchtime supplement

Top nine uses RWC has for Mt. Hope Bay

by Chris Zammarelli

9. Useful PR tool
8. Faculty parking
7. Source of the crystal clean water in the water coolers
6. Bristol's own Wet and Wild
5. Sicuro's keggers!
4. Where everyone who opposed the law school went
3. Home base to the Mt. Hope Bridge Dive Team
2. Place to ditch the stuff in the recycling bins
1. Fresh seafood all week long

Outdated attitudes bog down the recycling effort

By Sean Lewis
Associate Editor

Tomorrow is Earth Day. That's right, it's the one day of the year when we're supposed to think about the environment (you know who you are) who spend the other 364 days trudging around with environment­al groups, trying to make up for any pent up ecological guilt by sporting a "Greenpeace" pin on your leather jackets.

It's also the time to wash out the reusable mugs you bought from the envi­ronmental groups last spring that are currently making very trendy (and politically correct) pen holders for that token cup of coffee.

This, unfortunately, is the lot of people on campus view the environ­mental crisis. There is a tremendous amount of waste that's exported from this campus annually, a signifi­cant amount of which can be reduced or reused.

While recent efforts such as the pilot program of offering recycling bins in Dorm I for recycling plastic and glass are a good start at addressing the problem, not that many students have taken advantage of it. I've also seen too many of them used for storing and carting dirty laundry to believe that they're making a significant dent in the problem.

A sad fact is the reasoning from a lot of people concerning lack of partici­pation in these programs. When people heard they had to go see Hall Director Dave Sullivan to pick up the bins, many complained. "You mean they're not going to deliver it to us? Forget it" was a common cry.

It's apathy like this, the failure to take five minutes out of the day to do some­thing that will benefit the environment, that has us chained to a future that in­cludes the depletion of rainforests in about thirty years.

Unfortunately, this mentality is a reflection of society as a whole. If RWC was alone in this trend of thinking it would be unfor­tunate, but it would have little impact on the future on the environ­ment. The sad truth is there is a consumer nation, and many of us take comfort in that. Yet defil­ing, a consumer is one who uses up a commodity, a fact I'm not proud of.

As a nation, we rep­resent first and foremost the world's population. Yet, ac­cording to results of studies by Congress that resulted in the passing of the Clean Air Bill, we managed to take the responsibility for creating 30 percent of the world's car­bon dioxide and 28 percent of the world's chlorofluoro­carbon emissions.

In addition, each American discards an average of 2.5 million plastic items, 1,400 different paper items, 500 aluminum cans and 500 glass bottles each year, all of which can be recycled.

On a smaller time frame, Americans use 2.9 million plastic bottles every hour which are recyclable. Stop for a minute and think how much that adds up to in a week. The numbers get scary after about a day.

And what about all the aluminum cans? 100 per­cent of every aluminum can is recyclable. It's a neat little concept called "closed loop" recycling, where no new materials are introduced. It also takes 59 percent less energy to produce a new can from a recycled can than from ore.

So why is it that people here on campus toss out beer cans by the case? It's not like there's a big yellow caution sign on the "alumi­num" cans near the 95 percent of the garbage cans on campus, so I can see where it might be hard to recycle cans.

If the numbers are hard to visualize, think about this. We throw away enough office and writing paper annually to build a 12 foot high wall from New York to Los Angeles. For every ton of paper that we recycle, 24,000 gal­lons of water and energy are used for producing virgin paper could be saved.

Next to the environmental news­papers. According to my Earth Doctor "Fun-Filled Environmental Facts" cal­endar, The New York Times uses 75,000 trees each year to produce its Sunday edi­tion. While The Messenger is near this amount, it still takes trees to produce it. If one half of the newspaper that is thrown away in the U.S. annually, we could save six million tons of trees each year, even reaching landfills. Paper represents 40 percent of landfill space as is, according to a study done by the Environmental Protec­tion Agency.

Hopefully, this article won't end up in the garbage. It would be kind of ironic. And while one person's ac­tion isn't going to determine the fate of the planet, little things will add up. Just look at your pile of clothes to be washed, and you'll probably see the point.

Environmental Reminders

- Re­use paper as notepads, etc.
- Recycle all paper when done with it
- Don't leave water running when brushing teeth
- Turn off lights when not in use
- Carpool or use public transportation
- Utilize the recycling bins next to the dumpsters in front of Unit One
- Buy in bulk with people in your living area. (It will save money and cut down on packaging)
- Buy recycled items
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*3 PERSON TEAM: 2 HOURS PER WEEK PER PERSON
*2 PERSON TEAM: 3 HOURS PER WEEK PER PERSON
*1 PERSON: 6 HOURS PER WEEK

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Hall directors Dave Sullivan and Phil Hamel plan to move on

By Neil Nachbar
Managing Editor

Each year the Student Life Office must replace a certain number of resident assistants. This is expected since students graduate and move on.

However, this year Student Life Office was surprised to re-place two of its four hall directors. Dave Sullivan, hall director of Resident Hall I, will be leaving and Phil Hamel, hall director of Resident Hall III, may be leaving.

"Both of them have done a superb job as hall directors. They've tried to involve as many students in activities as possible. We're certainly going to miss them," said Marc Capozza, director of Student Life.

Sullivan, who is originally from the Boston area, would like to move back to the city. "It's a difficult decision, but I miss the urban environment," said Sullivan. "I'm a small town guy. It doesn't give me what I need. It would best suit me in the long run to move back to the city.

Sullivan isn't exactly sure what he would like to do, but is willing to explore other areas. "I'm allowing myself to look in other directions. I would prefer to work in higher education or the retail area.

Sullivan, a graduate of Mt. Ida College, has been at RWC for two years. He added that he didn't know much about the school, but was drawn to RWC by the Student Life Office.

"I didn't know much about RWC or Bristol. I looked at the office environment, as opposed to the so-
cial position of the school," said Sullivan. "I found that the [Student Life] office was willing to take a chance. They were very open-minded.

Sullivan seems to have the admiration and respect of his staff. "He's an excellent hall director," said Heather Gould, R.A. of Unit 2. "I'm disappointed that he's leaving. He's always been supportive and helpful."

Chris Votava, R.A. of Unit 5 agreed, "He's been great. Anytime you need a problem solved, he's there."

When Hamel became a hall director he was certainly no stranger of RWC. Hamel was an honor student at RWC from 1984 - 1990. He majored in Architecture and Psychology, completing the Psychology major in 14 months.

Hamel served as an R.A. for a year and a half but later moved off campus. In 1989 he applied for the H.D. position. "I really missed living on campus," said Hamel. Hamel, who is also from the Boston area, has considered leaving for two years and feels the time is right for a change. "It means leaving a place I absolutely love, but it's my time to move on."

Hamel is the only H.D. in the history of the position that used to be a student at RWC. He feels this was an advantage.

"I came with the perspective of an RWC student. I was already connected to the students and the other departments."

Hamel hopes to find a job in higher education administration which also includes his interest with ar-
chiecture. "I hope to be in an administrative setting around architecture. I love working with students.

Hamel ended up staying at RWC, he would like to attend graduate school at UMass-Boston.

According to Capozza, the Student Life Office has already received 300 applications for the two positions. Student Life may have a hard time finding two people as dedicated and enthusiastic as Sullivan and Hamel.

Ken Osborne: An active part of many communities

By Sean Lewis
Associate Editor

There is an old adage that says "You only get out of life what you put into it." If that statement could be measured in material terms, some of us would be left with very little in regard to assets. Others, however, would be rich with the type of experience that comes from being an active part of the community one lives in.

Ken Osborne is just such a person. He has re-
mained an active member of the RWC community since he began teaching here in 1979.

Currently the Director of Cooperative Education and Handicapped Service Coordinator, Osborne has held numerous positions in the past including Director of Cooperative Education and Director of Student Activities from 1976 to 1986, where he was responsible for super-

ering the college grant pro-

gram, R.O.T.C. and Reservist Officers Training Corps (R.O.T.C.) Coordinator from 1985 to 1989, and Chairman of the committee between the Providence College and RWC R.O.T.C. programs.

"I like to be involved with things that I consider important for whatever rea-

son. That's the first step to seeing things you want to get done get done-be in-

volved."

When it comes to RWC, teaching is not Osborne's highest priority. "I want to be a professor at the college. I was in the Army, and they basically said that if you could get into a college, they'd knock six months off your duty time."

Osborne sent applications out and his first acceptance letter came from none other than RWC. "I got my orders that I was leaving...they gave me an hour to pack. Thirty days later I found myself flying into T.F. Green in Providence. Still in my fatigues, I rented a car and drove to the campus. When I got here, I parked my car, got out and looked around. When I turned the corner around the old library, I walked right into an anti-war protest. Let's call it an interesting first impression."

Osborne was a dual major while attending RWC, Paralegal and Political Sci-

nece and maintained a Dean's List grade level as a full-time student while working a full time job.

In addition to this, he completed the requirements for his majors in three years. "A lot of the students today complain about the loads-they tend to stop

complaining when they hear about my background," Osborne notes with a grim.

A lot of what Osborne teaches also comes from personal experience. "I try to draw from my experience, but at the same time I don't want to distort history to justify my actions."

One thing Ken Osborne does do is present a complete picture of what he's teaching as opposed to the myopic view that other teachers may be inclined to present.

One of his students, a sophomore who has Osborne for an instructor in his America In Vietnam class, says he enjoys Osborne because "he shows us the complexities of what it was like on both sides of the fence. It's also the history class I've taken where the instructor actu-

ally took part in something covered in the class. It puts a different spin on things."

"I think he's the best instructor of Academic Affairs Malcolm Forbes agrees. "He's an as-

set to the students and the staff. The work he's done with the co-op program is commendable, as well as his work with retooling the school for the handicapped."

"Outside of the campus community, Osborne also takes a very active role in the plights of Vietnam veterans. "Being in Vietnam, I saw what some of these guys went through," says Osborne. "As veterans, we've had to put up with a lot of negative feelings towards us. Public opinion has only started to swing our way in the past few years."

Some of his achieve-
ments in this area include being the founder of the Vietnam Veterans Better-
ment Association, a member of the Vietnam Veterans of America from 1983-1989, a member of the Board of Di-
rectors of the Riverwood Rehabilitation Services Inc., and a member of the Veter-
ans of Foreign Wars from 1974-1989.

Looking back on his career, Osborne admits that it's taken it's toll on him. He suffered a heart attack a couple of years ago that forced him to cut down his work load. "I had to leave some of the committees I was on and take it easy for a while," said Osborne. "It's getting to be the point in my life when the body isn't keeping up with the plans I have for it. It can be frus-
trating."

Whether Osborne is frustrated or not, he con-

tinues to play an active and important role in many communities, giving time out of his life to the causes and people that are important to him. 
By Chris Zammarelli
Copy Editor

One of the major presences in campus life at RWC is the Campus Entertainment Network. Throughout the year, the Network provides the student body with as much entertainment as possible.

Network Chair Kristie Kirchner is credited by many to be the driving force behind the Network. That comes with the job, of course, but for many her leadership has kept the organization in good working order. "She has definitely been able to keep the Network running together. She has helped it become better known with the help of the board," says Candy Salazar, chair of Totally Terrific Tuesday.

Part of Kirchner's success comes from hard work. "She dedicates herself to everything that she gets involved with," says Peter Holden, Network chair-elect. "She gives 110 percent, and that can be seen with the past two years that she spent as chair of the Network."

Kirchner likens herself to be a "liaison between all the committee chairs." She says, "I don't feel I have any major power. To make an analogy, the chair people are parts of a car and I am the key that starts the engine."

One of Kirchner's strong points appears to be helping other people on the Network. Craig Ashford, the Network's Dorm III representative, says, "She has helped me tremendously. She has showed me that I have ability in areas of the Network that I didn't even know existed."

Jenn Elmore, the Network secretary, says, "She made me feel very welcome. She's always there to pick you up when you're down." Salazar adds, "When I was new to the Network, she helped me out. She paved the way for all of us."

Kirchner began to rise in the ranks of the Network very early in her academic years. She became the chair of the Coffeehouse committee (now the Totally Terrific Tuesday committee) only two weeks into her freshman year. She rose to the position of Network chair in her junior year, and has been there for two years.

Andrea MacDonald, assistant coordinator of Student Activities, believes Kirchner garnered the chair the past two years because "Kirchner is a strong chair person. She has what it takes that the Network can work together."

Kirchner says that a key to the Network's success has been Kirchner. "A strong chair person forms ties so that the Network can work together."

Kirchner also sees her years at the Network as a learning experience. "It's taught me a lot about dealing with people, which is an intricate part of life. That made the experience positive."

Working with people is something that Kirchner plans on doing in her long range plans as well. She is a psychology major who plans on going into rehabilitation counseling, working with children who have Down's syndrome and autism. "I became interested in this field because I have a family member who I feel hasn't gotten the proper care and concern. I want to change the view that they should be excluded from society."

As an American Studies minor, she has learned even more about people. "This enlightened me about all the issues, especially racism."

After RWC, she has plans to go to graduate school. "I've been accepted to the University of Maryland, but I'm not sure if I'm going there. There are a couple other places that I would like to go to, but at least I know I've been accepted at one place."

When she has free time, Kirchner says that she prefers to take a walk or go for a drive by herself. "I don't like to talk about my personal business."

However, when times got rough, she says that her friends came through for her. "Last semester, I wanted to quit. I was experiencing stress because I didn't know where I was going. I had my senior thesis to do and the Network was on shaky ground. It seemed like all my efforts were in vain. But people really pulled together when times got rough. They were there for me."

One of her friends is Macdonald. "Being an administrator, is Kirchner's roommate. "She's a nice person. It's odd for an administrator to live with a student, but she's who I wanted to live with. She's a good friend of mine."

As far as this year's controversy between the Network and the Student Senate is concerned, Kirchner says, "I don't think controversy is a bad thing. Any relationship has its positive and negatives. The outcome was positive, although it could have been more positive. It set the ground for next year."

She added, "There should be more communication."

Despite any hard times, Kirchner feels that all her experiences have been for the best. "I look back at college and I don't regret anything."

Kirchner says that the key to her success has been involvement. She has been a residential assistant and an administrative residential assistant, as well as an orientation coordinator. She has also been involved in the such things as CA.RE., the alcohol awareness program, and the Dean's Diversity Council. "Being involved helped me gain friends that I wouldn't have made at a big institution. Everyone that I have worked with has made differences in my life."

She believes that being involved can make a difference for everyone on campus. "Part of the education you get in college comes from involvement in things outside of the class room."
David Melchar: Working for faculty and administration

By Colin Hynes
Sports Editor

As a Lieutenant Colonel in the Marine Corps, David Melchar was taught to place the junior marines above anyone else, especially when they were members of the organization. The RWC Assistant to Academic Affairs never forgot that lesson of human relations that helped sculpt him into the consummate altruist.

"When you orient an organization in that way, you get a tremendous amount of loyalty to put others first," he said, "that's what that part of the Marine Corp that stays with me."

The position of student advisement and administration he presently maintains was a logical extension of that selflessness ingrained in him some 90 years earlier. With the same fervor and dedication he applied to his military experience, Melchar established himself as an indispensable asset to the college community.

"There are few people at this college that have a real loyalty to this institution like he does," said Malcolm Forbes, vice president of Academic Affairs. "He devotes time and energy far beyond what is normally expected."

Melchar, however, was not always as ardent toward his own college education and traveled a fractured trek in attaining his degree. After an unsuccessful first year of college, which left him under academic probation and without a direction, Melchar joined the Marine Corp where he established himself in the year-old Marine Corps. Thrusting him into academic success, Melchar decided to apply to RWC. Thrusting the same work ethic to his studies he once had to the service, Melchar received his diploma in 1976 as the number one graduate in business.

"That helped me realize how much behavior contributes to academic success," he said. "I was still as intelligent as I was in high school, I just behaved differently." Forbes agrees that several more David Melchars would be a great asset. "I'd like another dozen faculty members like him," he said.

After teaching at the graduate and undergraduate level in California, Melchar began his teaching career at RWC in 1986. As he established himself in the business program, he sought to channel his energy into student relations and activities. His interest prompted his institution as the faculty representative to the orientation committee and the enrollment planning committee.

"Through these committees he began working more closely with Forbes, and that's how I approached Melchar with the idea of applying for the position of coordinator of academic advisor, which he was subsequently hired in the part-time capacity."

With the learning center undergoing personnel changes at the time, Forbes, realizing Melchar's skills and concerns, asked him to oversee the operations of the center as well.

"Because of the interest that I had in these activities it seemed like a natural," said Melchar.

After serving on the College Planning Council and as director of advisement, Melchar was the logical choice to recoup the vacancy of assistant to Forbes, left by the death of Dr. Kenneth Cedergren, on an interim basis. In assuming the dual role, Melchar's teaching load was cut to one class, leaving him unable to qualify for the bargaining unit and categorizing him in the role of "advisement only."

"Physically, what I do is no real change," he said. "I think it's unfortunate that we have a mind-set that separates people as either faculty or administrators and think that one is more of an administrator than the other."

If only the former Marine were a "few good men" instead of a single tireless one perhaps he could manage the triumvirate of administrator, teacher, and advisor that he aspires to. Forbes agrees that several more David Melchars would be a great asset. "I'd like another dozen faculty members like him," he said.

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The job of assistant to the vice president is presently being advertised on a permanent basis, and while Melchar intends to apply for the position, he is approaching the decision cautiously. His present contract stipulates that if, at any point, he were to abdicate either his interim position or director of advisement role he would go back to being a member of the faculty.

"I would never place myself in the position where I cut the cord between faculty and administration," he said. "I came here to teach and that's what I enjoy. As long as I can be effective and help students, faculty and the college I'm happy to do that."

Even with a mere one course teaching load, Melchar has still had a powerful impact on his students in the classroom. He was nominated for the annual Excellence in Teaching Award, but requested his name be withdrawn because his primary focus on administration.

Perhaps his self-omission from the prestigious award best crystallizes the contribution Melchar has made in his six years of service to RWC. That same selfless attitude he placed on those junior marines almost 40 years ago is still having a ripple effect on his singular and unwavering devotion to the betterment of student growth today.

"There are few people at this college that have a real loyalty to this institution and work as hard as he does. He devotes time and energy beyond what is normally expected." —Malcolm Forbes

"The Marine Corps helped me sort out what I wanted and what I was willing to work for," said Melchar. "It not only gave me discipline, but self-discipline." —David Melchar

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Forget the Red Sox, here come pink plastic flamingos

By Lisa Kennedy
Contributing Writer

Dear Family,

I really feel like I need to spread my wings and fly. I will be travelling to Europe. Be back in a couple of months.

Love,
Frank

Less than five years old, Frank packed his bags and left a family who loved him. Frank was always an odd duck. With his pink plastic-like feathers, his knee-high height, his dark staring eyes, he was an average lawn flamingo of the “short neck” species. Frank is a pink plastic lawn flamingo.

He is the one you see on Route 114 in Barrington on those days when you are taking the scenic route to the highway.

Jim Hummel is father to a flock of about 12 of these lawn ornaments. They can sometimes be seen playing football, basketball, baseball or even drawing Santa’s sleigh, depending on the season.

Hummel’s claim to fame is the “keeper of the flamingos.” Ten years as an investigative reporter has not gained him much recognition as his lawn decor.

“I’ve had a lot of high profile stories and nobody reads the lines, but then you’ll hear, ‘Hey, this is the guy who decorates flamingos,’ and then 10 people say, ‘Oh, man, my kids love those. ’Oh, they’re great!’ or ‘Why don’t you do this?’ or ‘This is depressing,’ ” said Hummel.

Hummel’s flock began about four years ago when a committee was rewriting the zoning codes in town. This coincidentally was the same time Hummel moved into the area.

“Two guys on the committee, as a joke, put in a clause prohibiting lawn flamingos in the residential town of Barrington. A local reporter published it up. You know, ‘Pink flamingos to be banned in Barrington,’ it was a great headline,” said Hummel.

“I joked to people who were coming to my house. Just look at the flamingos in the lawn,” a take-off from the article.

The night before his house warming party, a dozen pink plastic lawn flamingos showed up in the yard. “I don’t know where they came from,” said Hummel.

For the next couple of years the flamingos did the average lawn ornament job. A couple of them decorated the front of the house and some more hung out on the side. It was about three years ago when they were arranged in the display.

“My friends decided to arrange them in a volleyball motif, so I can’t take credit for the first sports event,” admitted Hummel.

Since then, the flamingos have engaged themselves in rigorous sports, such as football, basketball, baseball and toboggan racing. The flamingos aren’t the only candidates for “Athletes of the Year” because they are limited to a small number of sports.

“You’ve got to figure you can’t do anything where their legs are involved,” said Hummel.

Other sports such as hockey are tough because these winged players can’t seem to hold the stick. Basketball and baseball seem to be the flamingos, as well as their owner’s favorite pastimes. “Basketball’s cute because they can stand there and stare at the basket,” he said.

In the off-season, these busy birds have also participated in wedding and graduation ceremonies and have carried Santa’s sleigh at Christmas. They even help out with the chores occasionally and pose with a lawn mower.

“We get a couple of letters a week with suggestions,” said Hummel. One of the latest suggestions was from a child hoping to see “Teenage Mutant Ninja Flamingos.”

Other people have dropped gifts off for the flamingos or their owner. Judy Isreal of Barrington knitted a dozen matching hats and scarves for the flamingos. Isreal, president and founder and only member of her club, “Prevention to Cruelty of Pink Lawn Flamingos,” felt the flamingos needed something to keep them warm in the cold New England weather.

She fabricated this organization all in good fun. “The statement they make to Barrington is great. I wanted to do something that added to it. I think they put Barrington into perspective,” she said.

Not everyone believes in preventing cruelty to the flamingos. They are sometimes stolen and are also subject to practical jokes by friends of thekeeper, as well as strangers.

The whole toboggan display was once stolen and later turned up on a man’s lawn in a prestigious part of town. Early in the morning, the man came to Hummel with about 10 of the birds and sure enough they were Hummel’s. “The poor guy could see his property values dropping,” he said.

A couple of weeks ago, three flamingos were abandoned in a bag on his doorstep. “There was a note. ‘Here are my babies. I know you’ll give them a good home.’ You know, the typical babies abandoned on a doorstep,” he said. It turned out to be one of the birds that hadn’t been seen in several years joking around.

“Good old Frank was also the butt of somebody’s practical joke. Sandy Smiley her family were planning a party. They got this idea and just thought it would be cute. I had no idea where this name even was,” she said.

A couple of nights before his departure, she spotted Frank’s kidnapping. “I drove by at 11 p.m. but their lights were on. At 12 midnight the lights were still on and I was thinking, ‘Gosh, I hope these people go to bed!’

At one a.m., Smiley case the house once more, the lights were still out. All systems go, except for the police car parked across the street. “I was scared and nervous. I finally just went over to the police car and I told them I was going to take the flamingos. They said, ‘Hey, we didn’t see anything, lady.’” recalls Smiley. She finally pulled her car into the driveway, lifted the bird and left a note in its place.

Smiley, her sons David and Israel, and daughter Marybeth were soon on their way to Europe....with Frank.

“Trying explaining what you are doing (with a pink plastic flamingo) to people who don’t speak English,” said Marybeth.

But despite the astonishing looks and remarks, Frank travelled Europe via a special lightweight suitcase that he had stuck out. To better accommodate him, “We took off his legs,” said Smiley. She also admits to choosing a “sort necked” flamingo from Hummel’s lawn rather than a “long necked” one, for obvious reasons.

With the coming of spring, Jim Hummel’s flamingos can be seen playing baseball. Some of their other athletic endeavors include football and basketball.

While Frank’s excursions through Europe had already begun, back in Barrington the flamingos were still engaged in the American sport, baseball. Short, however, one umpire: Frank. “No respect for authority,” I thought,” said Hummel.

But he found a good-bye note left in Frank’s place.

“Postcards later followed, post marked Rome, Amsterdam and Paris, regarding warm wishes and love. ‘I had a friend in Europe at the time, so I thought it was her. When she got back, she said it wasn’t, and sure enough I received another letter,” said Hummel.

Dear Family,

I’ll be arriving home soon. Be good to be back to you.

Love,
Frank

Hummel’s original intention of the flamingos, to “tweak Barrington,” has since subsided. He has changed to a more humanistic intention. “I think people have got enough problems. I like to try to make them smile as they drive by,” he said.

One woman would drive by the house on her way to visit her dying father. “It was very touching...She used to look forward to coming by here and seeing what the flamingos were doing. It lightened her trip,” said Hummel.

Did Frank ever return home after his trip to Europe, you’re wondering? Why yes, he did. He missed the rest of the baseball season, but he did make it home just in time for a wedding. Hummer has it that it was Frank who settled down and tied the knot.
Sailors make waves about hiring of new head coach

By Colin Hynes
Sports Editor

It seems that recently the only thing that the co-ed sailing team has been going through faster than water is head coaches.

In the last two years the team has had four different coaches and it appears that, according to some team members, it might be better that the current coach, J. Lester Abels, disappear into the sunset as well.

"I'm not happy with the decision of Abels," said senior captain Bill Porter. "They (the athletic department) should have kept looking." Porter and sailor John Malone cited the coach's apparent inexperience with small boats as a reason for their displeasure. "We need someone with small boat experience who has raced in the collegiate circuit," said Malone. "It hurts the team when he sends signals of false advisement."

The athletic department press release of Abels's hiring on March 31 states that Abels has experience in "racing and cruising in both small and large vessels" and Abels corroborates that statement. "I've sailed a lot, and most of my experience has been with small boats," said the coach. "I sailed thisesels (a small vessel) for 15 years with my children."

Captain Gus Kreuzkamp said that the transitional phase to college coaching may be only a temporary adjustment that the coach needs to make. "There is some understanding that's missing," he said. "College sailing is different; it's a lot more competitive and it will just take some time for him to get use to."

Though there appears to be no immediate plans for coaching change, both the coach and members seem willing to make an effort to increase communication. "It's a two way street," said captain Charlie Brown. "We have to work together to bridge communication."

Abels feels that, in time, he will become more acclimated with the team and they with him. "Right now I'm the new kid on the block and I have to grow with that," he said. "I'm sure the communications will improve after working together more."

Traditional difficulties aside, the team has performed well lately. In the Southern Series II race held on Apr. 4 at Yale University, Porter and Brown finished seventh in group A, while Peter Coward and Maloney placed third overall in group B. They then finished second at the Salve Regina University Regatta held Apr. 13 in Newport.

In the A group, skipper Kreuzkamp and crew Eric Ryan placed third. In group B, skipper Porter and crew April Newman finished in a solid second.

The team is currently bracing for an important Dinghies race at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. "Right now the team is in a heated competition with each other to determine who will secure the team's spots in that race," said Brown.

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Baseball hit with key injuries; off to rough start
Coach cites lack of "killer instinct" as one reason for sub-par 1-5-1 record

By Wayne Shulman
Staff Writer

The sun might be shining these days but the RWC baseball team seems to be on the dark side of the moon. The Hawks have a record of 1-5-1 and are plagued with four injuries.

Sophomore outfielder Greg Brown is out for at least one week. He suffered a cut in ury during a doubleheader against Salve Regina University on April 6. They lost the first game of the double header 2-3 and had to settle for a 6-6 tie as the game was called because of darkness.

Senior captain Todd Rivid reached a personal milestone that game by getting the 100th hit of his career. Rivid went into the season with a total of 92 hits and had just one more hit during the first inning.

Other players out with injuries are Junior Brian McLebburn, sophomore Mike Gymben, and Mark Northrup.

Sophomore Mike McNamara filled in for Brown during the Nichols double header on April 12 when the Hawks lost 6-3 and 5-2.

"McNamara filled in well for the Nichols game," said Coach Albert DeSalvo.

He's the only thing Iron Mike will miss, DeSalvo said.

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**Spring Intramural Team Standings**

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**Pilgrim League Games**

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**Congratulations**

**Male Athlete of the Week (4/8):** Senior Matt Walley earned the high point rider trophy at Salve Regina’s show. He has been consistently the most outstanding rider at the college’s meets this year.

**Female Athlete of the Week (4/8):** Amy Ramirez of the co-ed equestrian team earned the runner-up trophy as the number two rider in the Salve Regina show.

**Male Athlete of the Week (4/14):** Senior laxman Billy Curtis had nine goals and six assists as the Hawks won two big games to improve their record to 5-1. Curtis is currently the leading scorer in the Pilgrim League with an amazing 26 goals and 10 assists.

**Female Athlete of the Week (4/14):** April Newman served as crew as the sailing team placed second in the Salve Regina Regatta.

**Spring Sports Varsity Captains**

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Bridget Curry
Freshman
Pittsburgh, Penn.
I like on-campus living because I live in the International unit and everyone is really nice.

O.E. Hertler
Junior
Red Bank, N.J.
I think that everyone should experience living on campus, but for me the cons outweigh the pros.

Deirdre McGouran
Freshman
Ramsey, N.J.
It depends on where you live. In some places, there's a family feeling, but some aspects are hard to live with.

Pete Klay
Senior
Hanover, Mass.
It would help if the school had better apartments.

Bret Botjer
Sophomore
Zurich, Switzerland
It's a good opportunity to explore the different programs the school offers.

Khanh Luu
Freshman
Springfield, Mass.
Being close to the bay is very peaceful.

Warning
To RWC Students

The Bookstore and the Office of Auxiliary Affairs has recently informed The Messenger that there has been a rash of book robberies on campus.

Finals are just around the corner, and the time is coming to return books to the bookstore. The last thing a student needs is for valuable texts to get stolen. That's why students are advised to keep an eye on their books.

Do not leave books unattended!

This includes the cupboards in front of the cafeteria. There have been reports of books being stolen from that area.

A message from the Office of Auxiliary Affairs, the Bookstore and The Messenger.
Comedian D.J. Hazzard performs at RWC

By Chris Zammarelli
Copy Editor

"All I want is fame, fortune and all the women on CNN to bare my children."

You just gotta love a guy with that kind of ambition. And so it was with D.J. Hazard. The Boston-area favorite performed to an almost staggering capacity crowd at "that place" on April 8.

A.J. Dunn opened the show and promptly made friends by making fun of the New England Patriots. "I'm not a football fan because... I'm from New England," he said. He also made friends with the members of the WZLX volleyball team who were present. "Volleyball is a drinking game, and the one to play volleyball is a beach, a net and a keg.

Then came Hazard. He provided the receptive crowd with some fun party tips. "Hang outside beauty parlor and laugh at everyone who comes out." He also suggested going to Disney World and taking them seriously when, at the end of the rides, they say, "Gather all personal belongings and take small children by the hand."

A good half of Hazard's act was performed on his guitar. He enticed the crowd with the classic songs "Chicken Tonight" and the extended re-out version of "The Nap." ("Got up this morning/Went back to bed."

That's the whole song. It's an ode to the comedy life."

He finished up with a sing-along version of "Unite My Ankle In the Morning."

Hazard is known to many as the host of "The WZLX Comic Strip," which is usually heard on Friday nights at six on (you guessed it) WZLX. However, the situation on the show is currently up in the air.

"I went on a self-imposed hiatus to go to Canada. When I came back I found out that they canned the Lost 45s show and the host, Barry Scott, was canned a couple of weeks later. They wanted me to move the show to Sundays, when the Lost 45s was on. The problem is, I'm a comedian. I'm usually performing at the time they wanted me to fill. This means I'd have to tape the show, which I don't want to do."

Hazard described WZLX's attitude about the situation as "lackadaisical."

However, he is still planning to work with his station. "I'm still an on-air personality, you might want to say."

Hazard is originally from the Bronx. He moved to Boston in 1972 and returned after a stint as a ranch hand in the Mid-West in 1974. He became a comedian after working in mental institutions and rock bands.

D.J. added that he would like to say hi to his mom. "Hi, Mom," he said.

Rock sensation
Bryan Adams in concert

By Jonathan Bassuk
Staff Writer

Last week, rock star Bryan Adams took the Worcester Centrum by storm...literally. The relatively new band, The Storm, opened up for Adams, who is touring the country to promote his newest album, "Waking Up The Neighbours."

The packed Centrum auditorium anxiously awaited to hear Adams play his more popular songs like "Summer of '69" and "Heaven," as well as his newer material. Of course, no Bryan Adams show would have been complete if he hadn't played "Everything I Do I Do It For You," the song made popular by last summer's blockbuster movie, Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves.

Adams' performance was rather basic as far as set-up and staging, but for his type of music and singing, there isn't a need for elaborate stages, platforms and pyrotechnics that you might see at a more intense rock concert.

The crowd was also more mellow than at a typical rock concert, perhaps the reason being that Bryan Adams tends to play more of a "soft" rock type (with a few exceptions such as "The Kids Wanna Rock!).

That is not to say that the audience stayed in their chairs for the entire show. Actually, they were on their feet for the most part, only sitting down to rest for a few minutes, because the energy in the Centrum was certainly at a high level. Adams had not been to New England in five years, and everyone was glad to see him return.

The Storm, who released their debut album last November, is also on a nation-wide tour. The radio has popularized their current single "I've Got a Lot To Learn About Love," which was just about the only song that the audience at the Centrum recognized. In time, several more of the album's singles will surely make their way to the airwaves, and further the band's popularity.

Although though they only played for an unusually short 30 minutes, they put on a good show. Originally including three former members of Journey (now down to two), The Storm did give a blast from the past by playing an old Journey tune (kind of nostalgic for an old Journey fan).

Bryan Adams played for 90 minutes, which included "Summer of '69" as his encore. After the audience persuaded him to hurry up and play it, going into the concert, I was looking forward more to seeing The Storm, but leaving, I couldn't deny the fact that Bryan Adams can put on a really good show, and hearing some of his older songs live made for a fun time altogether.
Melanie Rae Thon at RWC

By Matt Rossi
Staff Writer

Fiction is an important part of the literary myth pool, and nowhere can you receive a better exposure to said fiction than at a public reading. At readings, authors and the people gain an interaction, and the work gains new life due to it's differing level of exposure.

Melanie Rae Thon, author of *Girls in the Grass* and *Meteors in August*, was featured in such a reading April 9th here in the RWC Bayroom. Those who came to this reading had varying reasons, but they all left with a sense that this was a writer who has quite a bright future in fiction.

Ms. Thon read from a work in progress called, at present, *Iona Moon*, and did so quite admirably, in not only mine but many opinions. Her prose style is fluid and graceful, with a slight lyric touch that seems to be aided by her voice. Her work tonight was a somber piece, unlike a previous work by her I have read, the short story *Girls in the Grass*, but it worked very well. It had a smooth plot that was aided by lasting, lush characterizations and able use of setting. The story was set in the Pacific Northwest, and detailed the life and struggles of Hannah Moon, who married young to a man much older, her husband Frank. The point of view character was their only surviving daughter, Iona.

The story, although at times passing the line from foreshadowing into outright foretelling, never lost that tightly formed frame of character and setting that kept it compelling. Ms. Thon has skill and clan, and in this reading, she used them both, keeping the tale going with a kind of relentless yet barely noticed force. I found it quite interesting, with none of the jarring missteps one can make in fiction of this scope.

Her descriptions were well laid out, and her obvious talent is such that can only grow with time and additional writing. I was a little intimidated by her reading style at first, but she allows her natural pacing and style to overcome any difficulties caused. Her work seems to have an overlaid direction, one I associated with travel and escape. I was impressed, to say the least.

When I spoke with Ms. Thon, I immediately noticed her soft spoken reading style came from her actual conversational tone. As we talked, I asked her why she did readings such as these. "I love doing readings. Writing is a private act, but in a reading, you can interact with your audience." She mentioned that every time she read was different, and had to be viewed as a different event.

Her writing is inspired in part by her life, at least in setting, as she grew up in the Pacific Northwest, but she feels that this should not be applied to all work. "Everyone is different."

In short, I felt that Melanie Rae Thon, as evidenced by her reading and her talent, will be around for a long time to come.

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1. Which of the five children turned into a blueberry?
2. Which of the five children was a spoiled brat?
3. What was the name of Charlie's grandfather who went with him to the chocolate factory?
4. What was Charlie's last name?
5. What was the name for Willy Wonka's little helpers?
6. Who was Willy Wonka's candy making rival?
7. What new candy did this rival bribe each child to steal for him?
8. What beverage did Charlie and his Grandfather drink that enabled them to float around?
9. What were Willy Wonka's coat hangers made of?
10. What actor played Willy Wonka?

NAME: ___________________________
LOCAL PHONE: ____________________

This will be the last trivia contest of the semester. I hope the readers found them to be fun and looked forward to seeing each new contest. My sincerest congratulations to all of the year's winners, but most of all, thanks to everyone who entered. They made the contest worth continuing. Look for The Conest Corner to resume in September!

WINNERS OF MOVIE THEME SONGS TRIVIA

1ST PLACE: JAMES STATTEL
2 free passes to the Circle 8 Cinema in Seekonk.
2ND PLACE: CHRIS GRIFFIN
2 free admissions to the Bristol Cinema with free small popcorn and small beverage.
3RD PLACE: BRIAN POTTER
Choice of a movie poster.

ANSWERS TO MOVIE THEME SONGS TRIVIA

Mr. RWC and Mr. Hyper knock 'em dead at the Comedy Cellar

By Chris Zammarelli
Copy Editor

When you hear the phrase, "We know all of our students' names and most of their dreams," you may think of the RWC administration. However, it more aptly describes comedian Vinny Favorito. Billed as "RWC's Favorite Comedian," Favorito returned to his personal favorite college on April 15.

As if that wasn't enough, appearing with him was another headliner, Kevin Knox. Knox is best described as "hyper." He kept the jokes coming at a frantic pace, in contrast to Favorito's more laid back style.

The two headliners flipped a coin to see who would go first, and Favorito won the toss. His set was based on ad-libbing with the audience. In fact, he did very little of what seemed to be prepared material.

Favorito's memory of past audience members was incredible. He scanned the audience looking for his friend Nicole, and proceeded to flirt with her mercilessly when he found her. However, the funniest part of his act was when he went on the search for the Theater Major.

He was looking for a particular person who he made fun of during his famed two and a half hour Halloween marathon in 1990. When told that the person was rehearsing for a play, he grabbed his cellular phone and called the Performing Arts Center. He told the person who answered the phone that he was Dr. Malcolm Forbes and he needed to give something to the person he was looking for.

Fifteen minutes later, the man running the play, thinking he was going to see Forbes, arrived at "that place." Favorito, after making a comparison to Larry "Bud" Melman, said that he was a good friend of Forbes and he would have the Barn redecorated for him.

Favorito also made fun of a band that was visiting WQRI next door. They had been in the Waiting Room. They were seen leaving. "I told them to come in to catch a few minutes of the act and instead they were thrust into Favorito's spotlight." Knox's act was more laid back style.

Knox's act was more material-orientated, but no less funny. He did a hilarious routine about slitting his wrists and talking about doing a television series called "Mayberry, LSD." Knox discussed the differences between men and women. Standard comedy fare usually, Knox's rendition was funnier than the norm. He said that he missed his ex-girlfriend. "I was in my car and I missed her by about that much!"

Knox also remembered a student from RWC. He said when he played here a couple of years ago, a business major with two women by his side was heckling him. Recently, he was at a restaurant and his waiter was that same kid. Knox graciously displayed the exact hand gesture he gave the kid when he saw him.

Both comedians gave incredible performances. Although the majority of the crowd was there for Favorito. The students' love affair with Favorito began three years ago, and he appreciates it. "They gave me a sweatshirt from the school and t-shirts. They treat me good, here. The students always turn out. I do a lot of ad-libbing here. They like it when I get them involved. I end up only doing three of my actual jokes. When I did the two and a half hour show, I hardly did any material."

Both comedians had national exposure on television. Favorito has appeared many times on Comedy Central, the all-comedy network, while Knox has appeared on Showtime. However, Knox downplayed the importance of television. "Everyone is trying to be on TV. A lot of people are not in it to be comedians. A lot of these guys you see on TV, the five minute act they do is all they have."

Knox also expressed a dislike for TV-made comedians such as Pauly Shore. "The only reason why Pauly is even in the business is because his mom owns the Comedy Store out in L.A. He gets up there, says, "Hey, buds, for awhile. I don't get it.""

Both comedians said that they really like the Boston comedy scene. Knox said, "The funniest comedians in the country are in Boston. They could blow away L.A. comedians any day." Favorito's favorite comedian is from Boston. "My ultimate idol is Don Gavin. Locally, I don't have any national favorites, but I love Don Gavin."

Breaking into the comedy business isn't an easy thing, but both comedians say it's not impossible. Favorito said, "You don't think about it. You spend a year doing open nights. You do whatever you can. Either you get it out of your system or you say, 'I like this.'"

Knox agreed. "In order to do this, you really got to love it. To be funny, you need to take risks. Don't play it safe."

Favorito teaches a course in Boston for new comedians. He himself took a course, but not for comedy. "I had stage fright. I took an eight week course to get over it. Once I got over my initial nervousness, I did great."

Favorito and Knox expressed how much they enjoy performing. Favorito said, "There's nothing I like better than making people laugh."

The performance also marked the end of Michael "House" McDermott's reign as Network Comedy chair. He is graduating in May. As he said when he introduced the night's performances, "What better way to end my career here than with two top headliners."

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Stephen King has marked his own distinctive brand of horror in his books and their movie adaptations. Now, he’s given viewers a chilling treat—a story he’s been saving just for them. Stephen King’s Sleepwalkers is the first work he has written directly for the screen.

Charles Brady, played by Brian Krause, star of Charmed, and his mother Mary, played by Alice Krige, star of Charlies, are the last of a dying breed known as Sleepwalkers.

The creatures are able to stay alive only by feeding on the life force of virtuous young women. They are capable of changing shape, turning themselves invisible and are destined to forever roam the earth and evade discovery.

Charles and Mary come to Clovis, a seemingly unsuspecting high school student, Tanya Robertson, played by Madchen Amick of television’s Twin Peaks, falls for handsome young Tanya’s sweetness and goodness are just the thing that can quench the Brady’s increasing hunger.

Sleepwalkers are actual mythical creatures. They are the source from which the Werewolf and Vampire legends originated. They are feline, reptilian and human, all in one. Sleepwalkers share some genetic information with cats, who recognize the Sleepwalkers’ true form, but the felines are the Sleepwalkers mortal enemies. It is the scratch from a cat alone that will cause the Sleepwalkers fatal harm.

The film itself, which looked so promising in the trailer, turned out to be less than impressive. The movie’s strongest point is the special effects. Make-up designer Tony Gardner and his Aifieran Studios, Inc., along with John Dykstra and Apogee Productions, Inc., provided the fantastic human into feline, feline into sleepwalker relies on Gardner’s past credits include Darkman and The Addams Family, while Dykstra is credited with Gremlins II and Ghostbusters.

II. The creatures are frightening, yet sympathetic because they are the last of a dying civilization.

There are a few scenes that will make you jump, even when you know what’s coming. One of the film’s biggest flaws is just that, however, predictability. The plot is far too simplistic to hold any substance. The subplots are an even worse attempt. Dan Martin plays Deputy Andy Simpson, who provides a few minutes of comic relief, but who’s side-kick, Clowis, and you guessed it, is a cat, becomes the movie’s true hero. Who ever heard of a deputy that carries a cat around with him in his squad car?

Although most of the film’s humor relies on cliched puns, perhaps the funniest part of the movie is the cameo appearance of actor Ron Perlman as state police officer, Captain Soames. Perlman starred as the man/lion character of television’s “Beauty and the Beast.” The audience hoped to see Perlman in feline make-up, but unfortunately, it didn’t happen. But, before you frown, King himself has a cameo role, as if that was something different.

Stephen King’s Sleepwalkers, gets an A for effects, a B for fright, but an all around C for a movie.

GRADE: C
THE REFRIGERATOR

April 21, 1992

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Dear Backwards; I'm not a jumbling.

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The Reftrigerator

March 2

That right Mo. 4 ten-page papers AND 3 finals that I just had to study for today. I hope tomorrow IS school free.

April 10

May 7

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May 16

Mollie Hole

1. (noun) a bank where Congressmen get checking accounts

2. (noun) a word used to describe embezzlers

ASK MR. COLLEGE

O. Dear Mr. College, How did it feel to succeed to the presidency after the death of Warren Harding?

A. Dear Curious: It Is As Ic As Ic Is Mr. Coolidge.

O. Dear Mr. College, I recently graduated from high school. Quite frankly, I'm very bright. Does this mean college is out of the question?

A. Dear Dunclerhead: You may not be bright, but you can still go to college. The only stipulation is, you'll have to major in communications.

O. Dear Mr. College, I'm dyslexic, and I find it hard to study. What should I do?

A. Dear Backwards; I'm not a jumbling.

WOLF BONE

By J.A. Foltan

April 21 - May 20: When the moons of Jupiter shine directly above the Administration building, you had better have that check in.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20): If you are graduating, remember, commencement speakers don't cash anything under a 20.

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Aries (March 21 - April 20): If there's a person out there for you, make sure that person isn't an ALF fan.

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RWC takes second place in ASCE bridge building competition

By Mike Redding
Contributing Writer

The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) annually sponsors a regional conference. In the past, RWC has always been a spectator, until now.

Two weeks ago, the RWC student chapter of ASCE competed for the first time in the ASCE Model Bridge Designing contest. The conference was held at the University of Hartford April 3. Being the ‘rookie’ in the competition, we did not know what to expect. Our group of six civil engineering students started preparing preliminary designs in February and did not have our final design until one week prior to the competition. In the course of those two months, we must have built and tested 10 model bridges.

The difficulty of the project was trying to figure out how to get the bridge to be as light as possible without sacrificing its sturdiness. It was not until Tom Roberts, a senior, came up with the two-arch design that we were able to competitively participate. With Tom’s design, we were able to take second place in the contest.

With the knowledge and experience the ASCE group gained, we look forward to competing in the ASCE Steel Bridge competition. This contest challenges schools to design a 20 foot steel bridge that is capable of supporting a maximum of 2500 pounds.

Stay healthy with RWC’s first annual Olympic triathlon

By Terri Welch and Sarah Endris
Staff Writers

On April 22, RWC will kick off its first ever student, faculty and staff Olympic Triathlon.

The Triathlon was developed by RWC health educator Donna Darmody and Bev Ehrich Freedman and a committee made up of faculty and students. It is intended to get the RWC community into the spirit of Spring and, most importantly, the spirit of exercise. The purpose of the Triathlon is to promote regular exercise for a more healthy lifestyle. The Triathlon has been created for everyone. Regular, sporadic and non-exercisers will all benefit by becoming involved. It can be entered alone, or on a team of two or three. The event has been broken down into four categories for four different levels of exercise. Whether those individuals or teams who are either “beginners” at exercise or who have a limited amount of time to devote should enter the Swim category. This involves a total of six hours of exercise over two weeks. Remember, you don’t have to swim. Any type of exercise, in any combination, for a total of six hours counts.

Run: Those who have more time to devote to the Triathlon, or who already exercise on a regular basis might wish to enter the Run category. This involves 12 hours of exercise over two weeks.

Swim: Those individuals or teams who are either “beginners” at exercise or who have a limited amount of time to devote should enter the Swim category. This involves a total of six hours of exercise over two weeks.

Bicycle: This category involves 30 hours of exercise. Rather, it stresses exercise over two weeks. Remember, any form of exercise can be done! Those basketball fanatics who play in front of Drom II everyday can enter. If you find yourself playing for six hours a week, you can enter yourself or your team under the Run category. The importance of the Triathlon is not to participate in a specific form of exercise. Rather, it stresses the benefits and fun that is had by exercising on a regular basis.

Participating in the Triathlon will be rewarding in several ways. The personal rewards of a healthier lifestyle go without saying. Also, on Kickoff Day, frozen yogurt, free blood pressure screening and cholesterol screening will be featured. Not only that, but upon completion of the Triathlon, all participants will be placed in a raffle. They will then be eligible to win prizes donated by area businesses and various RWC organizations.

The Triathlon Committee hopes that the college community will jump into the spirit of the event, making it a fun success, as well as a time-honored tradition for semesters to come. Remember, you have nothing to lose, and everything to gain, so don’t just watch it, do it!

Club and Organization Budgets for 1992-93


Major Organizations

The Messenger: $16,707
WQRI: $25,017
Crew: $16,731
Yearbook: $17,355
Senior Class: $23,283
Junior Class: $4,361
Sophomore Class: $3,961
Freshman Class: $1,780
Total: $107,195

Chubs
Administration of Justice: $0

Major Organizations

AJAS: $6,777
Aldelbaran: $1,551
ASCE: $4,930
ASME: $7,127
Chess Club: $300
Christian Fellowship: $2,758
Choral: $550
Construction Engineering: $2,164
CVA: $1,525
Dance Club: $2,074
Dance Team: $630
Environmental Action

Club: $2,155
Elizabettan Society: $3,148
Equestrian Club: $7,030
Hillel: $0
Historic Preservation Club: $3,052
History: $1,002
IEEE: $1,988
International Club: $4,060
Jazz Club: $3,195
Karate Club: $1,935
LGBA: $1,384

Math Club: $8,733
Model UN: $2,670
Natural Science Club: $2,615
Outdoor Club: $0
Political Studies Club: $3,798
Psychology: $4,477
Rugby: $8,819
SDO: $4,965
Stage Company: $6,576
Surf Club: $1,068
Total: $67,421

Parking Affairs Committee states their purpose

The Parking Affairs Committee would like to address the RWC community to inform them of our purpose. The Parking Affairs Committee is a standing committee of the Student Senate. The board consists of 10 members and two co-chairs. Our members include: Cathy Barrette, Greg Casey, Michael Del Sesto, Pete Klay, Noelle Ludvigsen, Dana Melchak, Eric Moxim, Nancy Richards, Justin Jezek, and Michelle Vieira, who are the committee members. We have an active role in any areas relating to parking on the RWC campus.

Our mission is to:

1) Solve any parking problems that cause a day to day problem for the RWC community.
2) Hold hearings for those who wish to dispute parking violations that resulted in a fine.
3) Allocate monies collected from fines into campus maintenance, beautification, and related areas.

At the present time we are in the planning stages. We have drafted, and are discussing with Vice President McKenna several plans to alleviate the parking crunch at RWC. The planned proposals have come from a combined effort of the committee, as well as suggestions form other students. Another plan we are working on is to work with administration to possibly donate some of our parking areas to areas within the college which need improvement. We would like the student community to know where they stand in these issues. We welcome any ideas from the student body or the faculty that will help us in our mission to a hassle free parking situation. Of meeting s are open to any one at 8 p.m., Monday nights in the Senate office.

We welcome anyone with concerns or questions. Also, if you have any suggestions please leave them in the Parking Affairs box located across from the Senate Office.

Thank you,

Parking Affairs Committee
Minority Affairs Committee announces Humanitarian Award winners

By Erica Richardson
Contributing Writer

When the Minority Affairs Committee (MAC) was started seven years ago, its goals were to increase the number of minorities on campus, improve the quality of life for minorities that are here and educate the majority about racial issues and different cultures. MAC now consists of administrato­rs, faculty and students who meet on a weekly basis to discuss issues dealing with minorities on our cam­pus.

The committee came up with the idea of presenting the Humanitarian Award to members of the college community last fall. The awards were to be given out to those who actively pro­moted the concept of diver­sity, or just openly expressing their understanding of differences.

A table with nomina­tion ballots was set up in the lobby of the Student Union before Spring Break. People were asked to nominate someone they felt fit the criteria. The nominations were brought back to the committee to make final se­lections.

In the beginning, MAC only intended to give a maximum of three awards. However, 12 recipients were selected because the com­mittee felt that there were individuals who were nomi­nated who have been dedi­cated to diversity for a long time that should not have been eliminated just because MAC wanted to give just three awards.

Now that the committee feels that all recognition was given to everyone, next year's award will only be given to the top two or three people who fit the criteria.

Recipients
Lorraine Dennis: Fac­ulty
Cathy Barrette: Faculty
Shannon DuBois: Faculty
DemiIjian: Faculty
Richard Potter: Faculty
Charles Trimbach: Faculty
Anne Barry: Faculty
William O'Connell: Ad­ministrator
Dwight Datcher: Ath­letic Director
David Sullivan: Hall Director, Maple Hall
Rita St. Orge: Secretary, International Center
Edward Film: Student
Sarah Mas: Student
Andrew Richardson: Student

New Paper recognizes Messenger

The Messenger gained recognition in last Thursday's issue of The New Paper... Columnist Rudy Cheeks applauded Darren Fava's article on com­mencement speaker Mario Gabelli. This article, which appeared March 2, showed the student body letters that practically proved that Gabelli was chosen by Chairman of the Board of Trustees Ralph Pappitto as the top two or three people who fit the criteria. Aspidal thanks from the Admissions Office.

Bristol Clean-up

The town of Bristol with the town's environmental organization, 'Keep Bristol Clean', will be conducting its Townwide Cleanup of litter on Sat., April 25, 1992, from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Cleanup volunteers will receive biodegradable bags for collecting the litter, a bicycle cap or comparable prize and a voucher for free refreshments following the cleanup.

The Earth Day Celebration will take place on the same day, from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m., on the Bristol Town Common. The celebration will feature the Big Nazo Puppet Band, refreshments, environmental displays, games for all ages featuring a 6' diameter Earth Ball, a small science program and more!

The highlight of this year's celebration is that Bristol is inviting communities from the entire state to come to Bristol and participate in this event. If cleanup coordinators from other R.I. towns are going to be promoting this event within their community they should call Brenda D. Whalen, program director of Keep Bristol Clean, at 253-9115.

Student Senate and class officer election results

The following were elected to the Student Senate for Academic Year 1992-93:

Remy Ash: Rob Elgan
Peter Mesich: Tom Pugliese
Michelle Viera: Justin Reyher
Greg Casey: Howie Gerber
Dana Melchar: Justin Jezek
Erin Demirjian: Cathy Barrette
Michael DelSesto: Jennifer Levins
Brad Portnoy

The class officers are as follows:

Class of 1995
President: Jackie Borger
Vice President: Paul Cipolla
Treasurer: Shannon DuBois
Secretary: Kara Brunetta

Class of 1994
President: Gretchen Drury
Vice President: Pamela Kim
Treasurer: Danielle Keller
Secretary: Nicole Troiano

Class of 1993
President: Lisa Verni
Vice President: Cheryl Castiglia
Secretary: Andrea Lovallo

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