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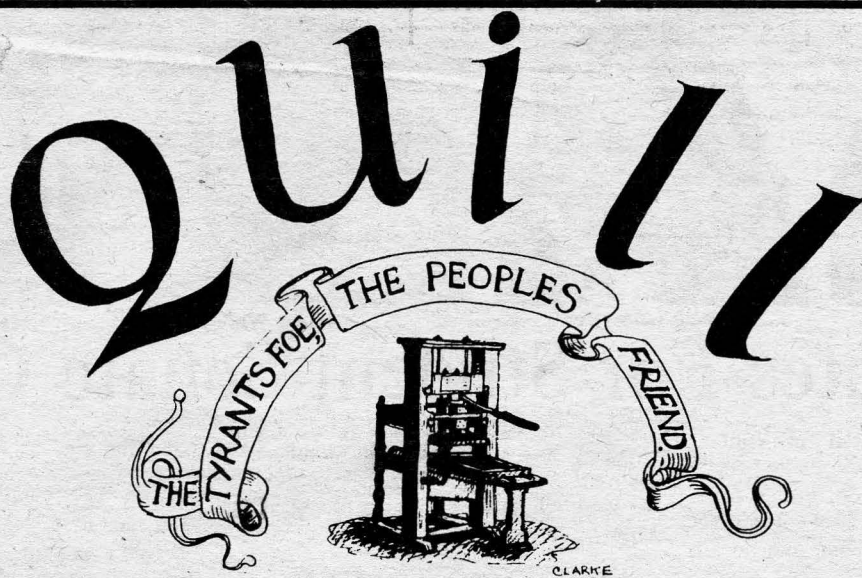


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3 Elections Slated for Next Week

By Bill Winter

The next seven days will be a very busy time for aspiring politicians at RWC, with three major elections slated for this week and next.

Today and tomorrow, April 19th & 20th, the Class of 1980 will be holding elections for a Senior Class President and Vice-President. On April 24th and 25th the Student Senate will be holding elections to fill 10 soon-to-be-vacated Senate seats, and choose a new President and Vice-President. Also on the 24th and 25th Dorm Government will hold elections for a new President and Vice-President.

The Senior Class elections will be held in the Snack Bar from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Any student graduating in January or May of 1980 is eligible to vote.

Running for Senior Class President are Bill Creed and Derrick Washington, and Sally Serfillippi is running for Vice-President.

The Student Union will also be the site of the Student Senate elections. They will be held in the Snack Bar from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All students taking at least one class and paying an activity fee are eligible to vote.

Running unopposed for Senate President is Steve Fusco. There are three candidates for Vice-President: Monica Letourneau, Dave Klein, and Stacey Wall. There are also 20 students seeking a Senate seat.

Platform papers for all the prospective Senators can be seen on page two, three and four of this issue.

Seeking to become a Senator are: Sue Badamo (seeking re-election), Bart Bauer, Scoot Bauer (seeking re-election), Criss Conti, Gerard Corneau, Karen Croake, Charles Dobbins, Gretchen Ebel (seeking re-election), Douglas Gingerella, David Klein, Matt LaBonta (seeking re-election), Richard Segal, Wendy Stephenson, Neal Stock, Carlos Tosta (seeking re-election), Jeff Tucker, Dennis McLaughlin, Don Uhlig, Stacey Wall.

Dorm Government will be setting up their polling table outside the cafeteria from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday. Running for President is current Dorm Government Vice-President, Steve Pecchio.



Nearly three 300 prospective students and their families attended Open House 1979. Parents and students has many questions for the club, organizations, and college representatives who were present.

Incoming Freshmen Interested and Questioning at Open House

By Jane Scott

On Saturday, April 7, RWC held an Open House for next year's incoming Freshmen and transfer students. Approximately 300 prospective students and their families attended, the majority of whom were from Mass. and Conn.

Visitors were directed first to the Administration building, then could see exhibits in the Library and Student Union as well as two or three special exhibits around campus.

In the Administration building students signed a guest book and then were assigned to small tour groups. Tour guides showed them the Classroom and Science-Business buildings where each department was open for questions.

In the dorms students saw units 1 and 7 and the first and third floors. Most people wanted to know, "How many people are on campus?" and, "What's the social life like?"

The first floor of the Library was full of representatives from Humanities-Career Writing, Historic Preservation, Sociology-Anthropology, Open Division, Financial Aid, Administration of Justice, Evening Division, Creative Writing and Co-operative Education.

Many of the students had already been accepted for next year's enrollment and were trying to decide what courses to take. So, many of their questions were, "What courses

are required?" and, "What are the requirements for a major and a minor?" Parents were more interested in what their children would gain; "What kind of job could they get when they graduate? How much will they make?"

At Financial Aid, Dave Bodwell said, "This is the hardest day of the year for me because I spend all my time apologizing to parents, explaining why they didn't get as much money as they'd expected."

In the Student Union there were booths for Athletics, Dorm Government, Scuba, Quonset Point, Health Services, Housing, Business Club, Roger's Corner was open, Senior Class, Elementary Education, Social Work, Karate, Recycling, Quill, Student Senate, College and Peer Counseling, Aldebaran, the Bookstore was open

and a new group called Masada of Zoia was represented.

As for the other booths, new students had many interesting questions. At housing, parents asked, "What do the rooms come with? Are there curfew hours?" Students asked, "Is there drinking-smoking in the dorms? Can I be in a co-ed unit?" Of the clubs and student organizations visitors asked, "How many members are there? What kind of activities and social events are there? How do I get involved?"

Most of the students and their families seemed to be enjoying themselves during Open House. As one new student, Chris Madisen said, "I like the curriculum and the campus is beautiful. Also there are a lot of friendly people - I'm definitely coming next year!"

Pousette-Dart Band Returns to RWC for Spring Weekend After 3 Year Absence

By Kimberly Newton

It would take more than a case of "amnesia" to keep students away from Spring Weekend this year, where the Pousette-Dart Band will be making their first appearance at RWC in three years.

The band, made up of Jon Pousette-Dart, John Troy, John Curtis, and Allison Cook, are the Student Senate's main attraction for Spring Weekend, and they will be playing on Saturday Night, April 29. The weekend will take place between Wednesday April 25, and Sunday, April 30.

Tickets will go on sale on April 24. Beginning on Wednesday night, The Student Senate will present Mel Brook's movie "High Anxiety."

Thursday night, John Roarke, will present his "Johnny and Company" comedian act. His presentation has been described as "a one-man show with a cast of dozens. It is a fast paced, laugh-a-minute spectacle that will leave you insisting that it could not be just one man. But it is - one very talented man doing a very entertaining show."

The Student Senate has scheduled New Rhythm and Blues Quartet (NRBQ) for Friday night. NRBQ has been praised across the U.S. as being one of the most enjoyable, eccentric, unpretentious, and consistently superb bands in America. The band's music, a combination of rhythm and blues, swing, rock-n-roll is famous for its rhythm beat and spontaneity.

Pousette-Dart described his own band when he said, "We were never just a folk group. We have all different experiences, influences and back grounds which we've

brought to the band. I'm extremely pleased with the way our sound has developed and progressed."

On Sunday the Student Senate will provide RWC with a night of disco, when they will feature "Great Estate" and "Jamie Barnett."

The Student Senate will provide back up groups for Friday and Saturday night. These will be Rizzz and John Hall, formally of Orleans.

There will also be bar-be-ques and various sporting events taking place during Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.



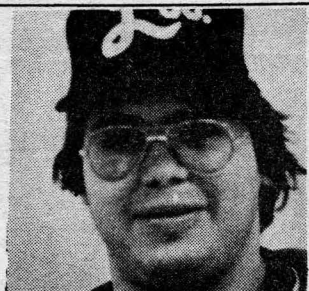
The Pousette-Dart Band will be appearing at RWC for Spring Weekend.

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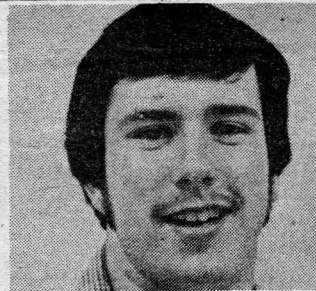
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Bart Bauer.

Candidates For Student Senate Office

President

Steve Fusco

I am running for the position of President of the Student Senate because I feel I have the experience and desire to do the job right. As President of the Senate my main concern will be to make sure that the Senate is responsive to the student's wants and needs. I encourage everyone to vote and I would greatly appreciate your support.

be actively involved in student affairs.

I have served on the Student Senate and a number of committees such as Kaiser, Budget and Social. Over the past two years, while serving on these, I've found it necessary to speak out and take a stand. By sitting back, nothing ever gets accomplished.

There is always room for change and improvement in any body, and this includes the Senate. I would like to combine my knowledge of past senates with new ideas to make next year's Senate one that will have both enthusiasm and a great interest in student needs.

I would appreciate your vote on April 24th and 25th. Thank you.

So if you are concerned about your student government please vote for your Senate Executive board and senate.

Senator

Sue Badamo

I would like to be elected to the Student Senate next year, because I feel I have the knowledge and the experience necessary to better the social and academic activities at RWC.

I have served on the RWC Student Senate this past year and have become aware of the areas in the college that need attention. I would again like to try to make life at RWC more pleasant for students both politically and socially. A good way to accomplish this is by voicing the students' opinions on issues concerning clubs and other organizations which directly involve the student body.

I feel that both Freshmen and upperclassmen should become involved and interested in college activities. This is a good way to meet new people and to become aware of what is happening around them.

Throughout the past year I have met many students and have learned their opinions on subjects directly related to them. With this knowledge, I feel I can give the students the representation that is due them.

I would again look forward to donating my time to the RWC Student Senate.

will make the stay at RWC more enjoyable.

I am qualified to be on the Senate and work for these changes, as I have served on the Dormitory Government for the past year, have been on the Student Security Committee, and closely observed the activities of the Senate for the last semester.

If you agree that changes should be made, vote for Bart Bauer for Senator.

the school's functions and feel a change necessary. My responsibility as a Senator would be to know what the students want, and work towards getting it accomplished.

Gerard Corneau

My name is Gerard Corneau and I am running for the position of Senator on the Roger Williams College Student Senate.

As students of this school we are owed a great deal of concern and respect by our faculty and administrators. I feel justified in calling these individuals our administrators and professors because these positions exist because of the fees that we pay. I feel that a senator should be primarily concerned with the well being of each student at this school and that his positions, decisions and his general attitude should reflect this concern.

I feel then that a senator should be willing to spend his time promoting new ideas that benefit a majority of the students and should further be willing to take positions for students when they are unable to represent themselves. This does not mean being "Pro Administration" or "Anti Administration", it simply means that a senator should always be cognizant of his position, and like our administrators, should always act in the best interest of the people he is responsible to, the students of

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Vice President

David Klein

I have decided to run for the position of Senator and/or Vice President of the Student Senate, because after two years here at RWC, I have experienced and participated in many of the student activities, and want to help with the regulation and improvement of these activities. Also, a number of the Senate must be able to make important decisions involving the student body, and these decisions will be made to the best of my ability.

Stacey Wall

I am running for the position of Vice-President of the Student Senate. As an active member of the Senate, I am involved in three college committees; the Library Committee, the Social Committee and the All-College Council to which I was appointed this last semester.

I have had prior experience as President of the Student Council in high school. With a year on the Senate and sitting on committees I do think I am qualified for the position of Vice-President.

If elected I would reorganize the Public Relations Committee and the Social Committee to get more people involved.

Monica Letourneau

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Bart Bauer

I think most people would agree that the R.W.C. Student Senate could be improved. The only question is: How?

I believe that I, Bart Bauer, have at least part of the answer, and if I am elected to the senate, will work toward carrying it out. I feel there is a definite lack of communication between the student body and the student government. The solution is not a major overhaul of the system, but instead more aware Senators; more aware of what the students want, and more aware they should be representing these wishes.

I think that some of the students' wants include: More Senate support of school athletic programs, both male and female; a better student security system, and better social events - in general, programs that

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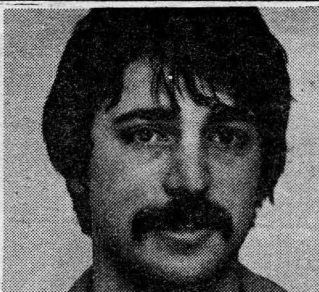
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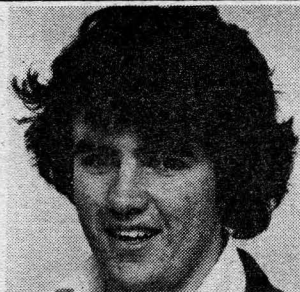
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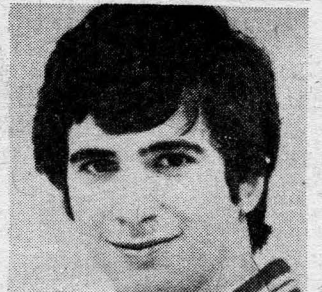
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Gretchen Ebelt.



Douglas Gingerella.

Roger Williams College. I feel that my experience and performance as the program director for the ocean state sailing center, as a peer counselor, and as a resident assistant, demonstrate my concern and my ability to further serve the students of Roger Williams College as a senator.

Karen Croake

In running for the Student Senate, I feel that I am taking advantage of a fantastic opportunity to get an inside view on one of the most important student organizations on campus. The Senate will give me a chance to change things that I now just complain about, and to propose things that I now just talk about. I've been a part of this type of group experience before and would like to get back into it. It was very rewarding then, I know that I can expect the very same in the Senate.

Charles Dobbins

I am running for the position of Student Senator because I feel RWC needs fresh ideas and new leadership to elevate the school to a place where people want to stay and achieve an education. Many students here are disappointed and upset by the present apathetic ideas and attitudes of the present student leaders. I feel I have the ability to change these problems through hard work and a general desire to see RWC as a place where people want to be involved.

Gretchen Ebelt

Over the past year I have seen many changes here at RWC. Even

more recently, over the past two months important legislation has passed before the Senate with virtually no interest or awareness shown by the student body. It is apparent that students need a way to voice their opinion. Just as important is that the students have the right to know what's at their school. This is where, I feel, I can help.

One way to get student input back to the Senate is to have the Senate go to the students. As a Senator I would propose that the Senators attend unit and floor meetings. There they could briefly inform the students what the Senate is doing and find out how the students feel. Getting more student input is what I'd set out to do.

By regularly attending the Senate meetings this semester, working on the Social Committee and Public Relations Board, I feel I have a good understanding of what is happening at RWC. I've seen the system in action and I know how it works. Now I'd like to make it work for you. I've got the desire, knowledge and ambition to be your Senator. All I ask now is that you give me the chance. Thank you.

Douglas Gingerella

The RWC Student Senate has suffered from some shortcomings in the past that I believe I can help resolve.

The Senate has often worked in a "vacuum", not really considering the student body as a whole when they make their decisions. This can be seen by their frequent refusals to grant money to viable student organizations that need it. This

"power blindness" must stop.

Also, the Senate often does not work through the correct channels when they want something from the Administration or Faculty. This is because they do not use the existing power structure at the college; who to go to when something needs to be done. During my three years at the college, I have become very familiar with this structure, first by being elected to the Senate for three consecutive years, and also through being Editor of the Quill.

I believe my past involvement has shown that I am a hard-working and influential member of the student body. I have been an asset to the Senate in the past, and I hope to continue to be.

David Klein

See Vice-Presidential Platform.

Matt LaBonta

The purpose of this statement is to announce my candidacy for the Student Senate. I have been involved with the Student Senate for two years and have decided to run for the Student Senate position for a third year. For the past two years I have been actively involved with many activities. During the first semester, I was appointed assistant treasurer to both help the present treasurer and to train for when the treasurer's job is open. If re-elected I will run for the position of treasurer, for which I am aptly trained and have the knowledge to fulfill.

Besides my activities with the treasury, I have been appointed to the budget committee, the security committee, the attrition and

retention committee, the yearbook committee, and many other Senate oriented goals, my most valuable being the attaining of commuter mailboxes for the commuters to receive campus mail.

Throughout my years as a senator, I have attempted to be open minded when dealing with many of the issues and also, I have attempted to represent all the students as a whole, instead of as individual groups. I have also been known to have a liberal minded opinion, which I think is a definite need within a small college community. Please consider my candidacy for Student Senate, it will be a vote greatly appreciated and I'm sure you won't be let down.

Richard Segel

I am running for Senator because I feel that by being a Senator I could benefit the school community with my services. My schedule is such that I will be able to attend the senate meetings. A Senator is not effective if he is not at meetings to represent the students. I would like to be active in helping students acquire the things that are beneficial to them. If elected, I will make myself available to listen to problems which I will make every effort to solve. I will also keep an open mind to what is said. Most of all, I would enjoy being a Senator. It would be a pleasure to work for the students.

Wendy Stephenson

On April 23 and 24 the student body of RWC will be electing their

Senators for the coming year. Your Senators are your voice, they are there to listen to your suggestions and to take action on them if at all possible. Your vote is important. It effects you as a student and a resident at RWC. Too many people don't care about what happens in the Senate. They are willing to pay \$4,500 yearly to go to school here and not know where it's going or what improvements are being proposed or made.

My name is Wendy Stephenson and I am running for this position of Student Senator. I care. I want to hear what you have to say, to listen to your suggestions. The students need Senators who care enough to work their hardest and give their best to the job. I am that person. I want to get involved - to make sure your Student Senate works for you the way it should.

Neal Stock

As your Senator, I shall represent and acknowledge the students' needs and be their representative to make sure their opinions and problems are properly expressed. It is equally important to represent the student body as a whole, to make sure everyone's voice is heard and acted on as a whole. I have represented RWC the last two years on our soccer team. I am presently Treasurer of Dorm Government and I want to do more for all concerned. I can communicate with people and I want to represent you. The most important thing to do is to vote, express your right to vote, but vote for those who are most qualified. I hope you have the confidence in me to represent you as a member of the Student Senate. Thank you.

DORM GOVT. & STUDENT SENATE ELECTIONS

MONDAY & TUESDAY APRIL 23 & 24

Dorm Government Presidential and Vice-Presidential Elections

**3:30-6:00
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Student Senate Presidential Vice-Presidential Election as well as Election of Ten Senators

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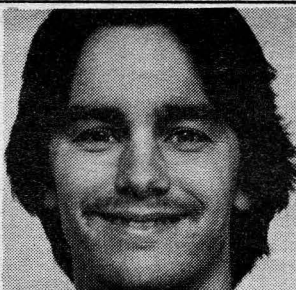
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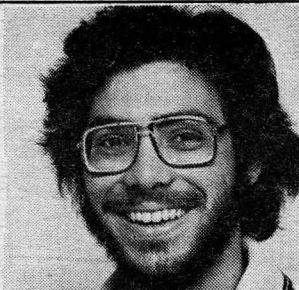
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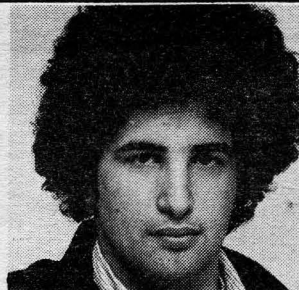
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Dennis McLaughlin.

Carlos Tosta

My name is Carlos A. Tosta and I am a second semester sophomore in Industrial Engineering Technology. In my platform I will explain why I am running for student senator and what motivates me in being one.

As I expressed myself in my previous platform my main interest is focus towards the benefit of this institution and all types of improvement that can be done so that we can be respected by others and set the example. I still feel the same way, now probably more than ever for now I have the experience of being a student senator and I know how it is and how it works. When I got elected by the students and for the students the first time I said that we the students of RWC should work together in unity for a common goal, I also expressed that I would like to see some changes like in our meal plan and get pencil sharpeners and waste paper baskets, etc. Some of these things got done, some didn't, but it is only up to us that they get done.

It is my desire and I would be very honored to become a student senator once again for the student senate of R.W.C. Let me remind you that I am here to obtain an education, to learn, to grow and mature as we desire ourselves to reach the best things in life.

Once again my first interest that motivates me to become a student senator is working to the best of my abilities for the benefit of the students in any type of issue no

matter how big or small it may be so that our institution R.W.C. can be liked by others and be used as an example. Let me say that I hope to see you all April 24 and 25 in the Snack Bar and express the right that you have to vote. Make the best of it.

Jeff Tucker

Hello, my name is Jeffrey Tucker. Many students know me as "Flounder". I am running for the Student Senate position of Senator. I feel that at this time, the school community deserves to have someone in the Student Senate who get involved. I have been at RWC only 1 1/2 semesters, but in this time I have gotten involved, I have managed the varsity hockey team, been the financial advisor to the frisbee team, the radio station's accountant and a supervisor for the monopoly marathon. Also played in the intramural sports program here. I've played football, basketball, frisbee, and softball. What, you might ask, am I trying to get across to you? That Jeffrey Tucker is a person who gets involved and does not quit.

My major platform campaign promise is to have the Student Senate force all clubs and organizations that receive money from the Senate to write into their individual constitutions a clause that would open communications between clubs. I am saying that, if one club is having an event at RWC, all the other clubs should go out of their way to support this club. I feel this way because, many of the clubs and organizations sponsor events at

RWC and in most cases these events lose money because of lack of interest. I believe it valuable to the school community, if all clubs help each other. Because in the end all the clubs are basically going for the same thing, to better themselves and the standard of living at RWC.

In conclusion, I believe that I would be the best choice for Senate because I'm a person who gets involved. I know how the student population feels and I would vote according to how you feel. The most important thing for you to do is vote in the next Senate election. Get involved, voice your privilege to vote. I want your vote, but I also want to know how you feel on school matters.

Don Uhlig

Personally, I feel the single most important asset a Senator can possess is his or her approachability. By this I mean the ease with which a person could approach a Senator and comfortably express his or her ideas on a given subject without feeling uncomfortable. This is an area that I feel I excel in, being easily approachable and also being able to relate to student's needs.

If elected I could promise that I would be a Senator who would listen to, and act upon any student gripes, complaints or ideas that would be of benefit to the students or the college.

As of now my first priority upon becoming a Senator is to attempt to get more entertainment on campus, particularly on weekends. Another priority of mine will be to insure that there will be no closed Senate meetings or secret ballots, as was the case in the Senate's Dean of Students search. I firmly believe that anyone who votes should have the strength of his convictions to go public with his vote and his reasons backing it. If a person cannot do this he does not deserve to be a Senator.

One final note, I am not running in this election for any type of ego gratification, nor am I running because I feel the need to have power. I am running for Senate because I would like to serve the people of this school and I honestly feel that I can do the job successfully. I need your vote. Thank you.

Dennis McLaughlin

My name is Dennis McLaughlin and I am running for the position of Senator. I will be a junior in the Fall of 1979 and have been a member of the Social Committee for the past three semesters. While in high school I was a member of the Student Council and Athletic Committee.

My reasons for running are to take care of any requests or complaints that students may have. The allocating of students' funds I feel should be watched more carefully and I intend to do just that.

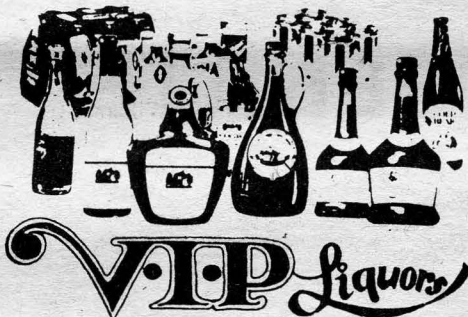
The pictures of the following people were not available: Karen Croake, Richard Segel, and Don Uhlig.

My decision to run for the Senate was recently confirmed when I saw what happened to an "ex-Senator." I am referring to the Scott Bauer incident. I feel it was unfair and unnecessary, and I want to make sure it doesn't happen again. I would appreciate your vote on April 24th and 25th.

Stacey Wall

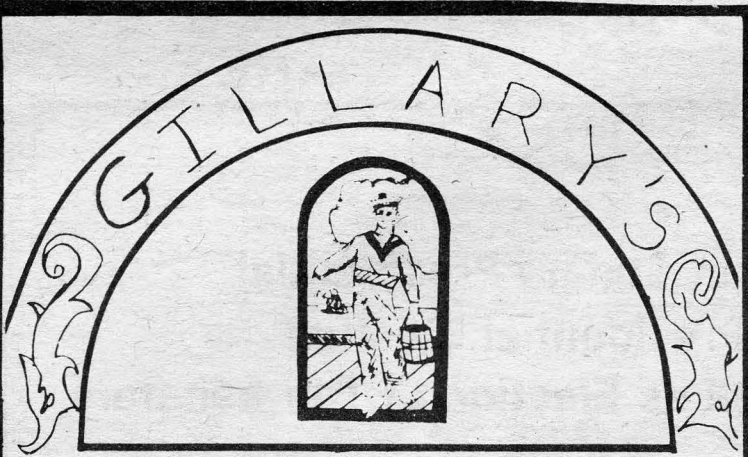
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Editorially Speaking

It Just Might Help

On April 24th and 25th the largest number of students in recent memory, 21 in all, will be attempting to win one of the 12 vacant seats on the 1979-80 Student Senate.

That fact that so many students are interested in taking an active part in their student government is an encouraging sign. Unfortunately, these enthusiastic students may receive a great shock come election time if there is the usual lackluster voter turnout; for at RWC usually less than one in five students bother to vote.

To the students that are seeking office and are counting on large scale student support, this will be damaging. To the students who don't vote, however, the effects will be even worse, for they will be students without representation. And to be without representation is to be without a voice.

The sad part about all this is that it is easy to gain that voice by voting. Admittedly, it is not quite as easy as just sitting back and doing nothing, but it is a great deal more productive.

So on the 24th and 25th, why not go down to the Student Union and vote. It can't hurt, and just might help.

An Institution in Transition

When provided the opportunity to write about a topic of my choice I tend to think mathematically but I am sure chasing lattice points around ellipses won't turn many readers on. So I shall leave my first love and venture into areas where my thoughts may appeal to a wider audience.

Before coming to Roger Williams College I served for more than 20 years at one college which celebrated its 125th birthday during my tenure. The college community lived comfortably with the past. Roger Williams College has had a short history with which few seem to live comfortably. The events of years gone by shapes if not pervades the thinking of many. Psychologically, I believe it is similar to being in Northern Ireland where many forgive - but never forget. It is rather difficult to move forward while looking backward. Of course one must be mindful of the past, but one lives today and looks ahead and if wise plans for tomorrow.

From a historic perspective Roger Williams College clearly is an institution in transition. Ten years ago it was a junior college. Two disparate halves developed at geographically separated locations. Two faculties who were dissimilar in many respects taught at the two campuses. The old guard from Providence, the business and engineering technology faculty, were recruited and taught at the existing

Roger Williams Junior College while the liberal arts faculty were recruited to teach at a developing four year institution with considerably different objectives. The values, perceptions and expectations of these two groups were, and to some extent still are, quite different. The junior college faculty had to change or become obsolete. Happily enough almost all have changed and the divisions are academically stronger than they were in the past.

The academic program which begins next September represents a significant step forward. The institution has come together to move forward. The process of curricular change in any

this past year, administrators, faculty, students and staff helped both him and me by giving blood and lending their moral support. I believe the College would substantially benefit if a greater sense of community existed. Several circumstances deter its development. The memory of a bitter past. Indirectly, the existence of a Faculty Union also has a negative influence. A contract is devised through bargaining, a conflict process. During the process administration and faculty become polarized and regard the other in a disrespectful manner. I don't think there is anything inherently bad about the process, the problem arises after negotiations are completed. We are no longer in conflict, but the attitudes which were formed during bargaining are being carried into the academic environment by some. Too many of the administrators regard the faculty disrespectfully and too many of the faculty have little respect for the administration. This divisiveness must be recognized and dealt with positively otherwise the sense of community takes a beating. A sense of community needs to be nurtured because given the relatively recent two campuses existence many faculty and administration do not live in close proximity to the College.

I am an administrator (and teacher of one class each semester too). I categorically state that most of Roger Williams College faculty members are well qualified and able teachers. If students wish to benefit from attending a small college they will get to know their teachers. Students sometimes complain that a faculty member does not turn them on. Well, how many students have thought about turning a faculty member on? Be interested in the subject, ask questions, expect quality - you'll be amazed at the results. Most faculty members under such circumstances will give you an arm and a leg. The few who don't have time or are disinterested (e.g. come to class late, leave early, teach the same material year after year, can't be found at the College after their office hours) are the real duds.

Roger Williams College is a good educational institution and is improving at a rapid rate. A record number of students have applied for admissions next year while nationally the number of high school students have decreased.

We all must realize that we have developed into a respectable institution, and we must begin to raise one another's expectations so that we can come together to build an outstanding educational institution.

Commentary By Edward Wilde, Dean of the College

educational institution is difficult, but when two disparate, philosophically opposed groups are present, the task is monumental. The program took some three years to develop and is a step toward unity and interaction.

During the past three years the academic quality of the student body also has slowly but surely improved. When I arrived for all intents and purposes, the college had an open admission policy and a reputation as being a "second chance" institution. Many of the students did not respect themselves or the institution. Such students abused themselves and their immediate environment as well. With the adoption of a selected admissions policy, which is based on the concept admitting only those students which the College with its particular educational programs and resources reasonably can expect to educate, a marked change has taken place. Students with specific weakness are admitted conditionally. Happily enough, approximately two-thirds of these students successfully meet their conditions. We still take chances on some students and often they become success stories.

Our graduates sit for and pass CPA exams, sometimes at first attempt, others serve as controllers, city managers and bank vice-presidents. Others have gone on to complete Masters and Ph.D.'s at URI, Harvard, Brandeis, University of Maryland and the University of Pennsylvania. Our graduates have achieved considerable success and are a credit to those attending and working at Roger Williams College.

One of the benefits of being at a small college is community. When my oldest son contracted leukemia

Letters to the Editor

'Puzzling Things' Distresses Staff Members

To the Editor:

RE: the article in the March 22nd issue entitled "Puzzling Things about R.W.C."

I was quite distressed when I read this article for a number of reasons. It has always been my impression that a news reporter's primary function was to seek out news and report it in a factual manner. The most puzzling question about this particular article is not so much concerned with its contents, as it is with the rationale behind its publication. There was certainly nothing in the way of "news" in this article, and the "commentary" was limited as well, unless that word refers to the trite, immature satire that seems to be struggling its fitful, petulant way across the page.

I would think that most readers would be concerned more with answers than with questions; this quite possibly involves a problem with the editorial philosophy of this particular publication. Moreover, because of the seeming inadequacy of the reporter who wrote this article, I feel strongly that the Quill staff should have had serious reservations about printing a piece that so openly made flagrant and spurious remarks about Dr. Fulton. If the author had been aware of the incredibly generous donation of funds, land time and pure heart given to this college, not only by Dr. Fulton, but in his name, he might have been inclined to write a serious article dealing with the positive effect Dr. Fulton had on all persons who came in contact with him. If Mr. Winters wants to know why the College named a branch after Dr. Fulton, he now has his answer. I doubt that his dedication to the college could ever earn him the same honor.

Furthermore, there is also an explanation as to why staff members do not find "real" jobs elsewhere. Anyone who is even remotely cognizant of the economic problems facing the United States in this generation could assume, just from looking about, that the job market is extremely small in Rhode Island and that the wages are the lowest in the country. Many staff members are the sole supporters of their families and as for the work being "real", I challenge Mr. Winters to assume any staff member's job for one day and find out just how "real"

the workload is. Not only do I seriously doubt Mr. Winter's ability to cope with the responsibility and frustration that go hand in hand with a job whose salary is embarrassingly low; I also doubt his ability to handle numerous college personages, whose flagrant attitudes make our jobs more harrassing than necessary.

In conclusion, a few more points:

1) Mount Hope is located on the hill that houses the Haffenreffer Museum. If Mr. Winter had thought to pose this reference question to the library staff, he would have found the library personnel quite able to answer his question.

2) If Mr. Winter is so concerned about Fall & Winter weekends, why doesn't he try to organize them? In other words, Mr. Winter, put your money where your mouth is.

Sincerely,
Kerry McKeever
In agreement and with support:
Carol Lange
Linda Cambra
Bea Ketchie
Lucille Cosgrove

Editorial Note:

While it is basic Quill editorial policy not to reply to letters to the Editor, Mr. Winter asked that an exception be made so he could respond personally to the points Kerry McKeever raised. Recognising his right to reply to what he considered an erroneous analysis of his Commentary, it was allowed.

Mr. Winter's letter is not to be considered the opinion of the Quill Editorial Board as a whole.

Mr. Winter Replies:

I regret that Kerry McKeever and Co. were so distressed by my commentary. I assure you, the intent was quite otherwise.

As for the individual points you raised: 1) You said it was not "news", or a Commentary. As stated in the Quill editorial policy (re: issue nine): "Signed...commentaries shall represent the opinion of the author." Since an opinion can be held on any subject, "Puzzling Things" certainly falls within that category. And since the Quill

"recognizes its responsibility" to print various opinions, they were certainly within their right to print the commentary.

The fact that a Quill staff member happened to be the one expressing his opinion is also in no way relevant, since anyone, including Quill staff, have an equal right to submit Commentaries.

2) I raised questions instead of answers. Since when has it been shoddy journalism to attempt to make the reader think for himself?

3) It was "trite, immature, struggling, petulant satire." Satire, like all forms of humor, must be subjectively judged by each individual reader. Not everyone enjoys the comedy of the Marx Brothers, not everyone enjoys the antics of Steve Martin, obviously not everyone enjoys my satire. I regret you found it so wanting.

4) I made "flagrant and spurious remarks about Dr. Fulton." No disrespect was meant to Mr. Fulton, and an attempt to read any into the commentary is a waste of time. I have met people who had no idea why this campus is called the Fulton Campus, and the question was intended to mirror this fact; not to reflect badly on Mr. Fulton.

5) Staff members should find "real" jobs. If you wish to discuss "economic problems", let's start with facts: Rhode Island wages (on the average) are not the lowest in the country, contrary to your rhetoric. Also, if you wish higher wages through negotiation, perhaps an attitude other than ridicule toward those with whom you negotiate would help. For example, an adult approach instead of public name-calling ("numerous college personages...(with) flagrant attitudes") would help.

6) The library staff could have told me where Mt. Hope is. Thank you for saving them the trouble.

7) I am concerned about Fall and Winter Weekends. I'm not. The question merely asked why this annual celebration happened to fall on a Spring weekend.

Lastly, I would just like to say that I have received generally favorable comments on the Commentary, other than your letter. I would be interested to see what other people have to say on this matter, and would encourage them to write. Thank you.

Let's Communicate

By Paul Nalette

Why is there only one black faculty member at Roger Williams College?
According to Ed Wilde, the Dean of the College, Roger Williams College has an affirmative action policy that is followed during the recruitment of faculty members. The College advertizes all openings in publications that are considered sources of minority applicants. "Since being Dean of the College," Wilde said, "I cannot recall one minority applicant for a faculty position."

Why is turnover in faculty members almost non-existent?
According to Dean Wilde, turnover in faculty members is nationally very low at the present time. Roger Williams College experience is not much different than other colleges.

How do our faculty salaries compare to other colleges?
Our salary levels for faculty members is only slightly above the average for four year private colleges according to Dean Wilde.

Is it true that the College lost \$180,000 in financial aid for next year?
Absolutely not! says Dave Bodwell, Director of Financial Aid. There will be an \$800,000 increase in financial aid awarded in the 79-80 academic year.

Is there some type of procedure that can be utilized to rid our classroom of instructors who care little about the students and the class they are teaching?
According to Dean Wilde, the College and the Faculty have agreed to abide by the provisions of the union contract. All full time faculty members are evaluated, the evaluation based in part on student opinion is part of the agreement. If you are concerned about the behavior of a faculty member you should take your concern to the division coordinator.

Disc Hawks Win At Tournament

By Jane Scott

The RWC Disc Hawks had a successful Tournament the weekend of April 7 and 8. Along with the Disc Hawks, two other teams competed; Bryant College and the Disc Devils of Trenton, New Jersey.

On Saturday the three teams faced-off for some fast Ultimate Frisbee competition. In the first game RWC played Bryant. The Disc Hawks won 15-6. Todd Menard scored eight of the winning goals as well as one assist. Captain Jim Long assisted five goals and received for one of his own. Craig Case scored one goal and three assists.

In the second game RWC played the Disc Devils of Trenton who nicknamed themselves DDT. The Disc Hawks once again won, 8-6. Todd Menard again showed his value to the team by receiving five of the goals. Craig Case had three assists, and Don Clay and Jim Long each had two. Jerry Harcar of the Disc Hawks played this game as a DDT member because the Trenton team is one that Jerry organized a few years ago in New Jersey. With this second win RWC had won the tournament, so the next game was a relaxed one between Bryant and Trenton.

On Sunday Bryant went home and RWC and Trenton went on to the Folf and Distance competitions. The course for Folf, which is a mixture of golf and frisbee, begins in front of Dorm 2 and ends in front of the Administration building after completing a full circuit of the campus. The targets, marked by red Bud signs, were usually trees

and light posts. Wind was definitely a factor for the 16 people who entered. But since they were battling for actual prize money, (a total of eight dollars), the players stuck it out.

After an extra stop on top of the

Physical Plant to pick up a stray shot, Jim Long was the victor with a score of 31 in the final play-offs (low score wins). Don Clay was second with 35, Todd Menard third at 36, Glen Kornichuk fourth at 37 and Peter Heard was fifth at 39.

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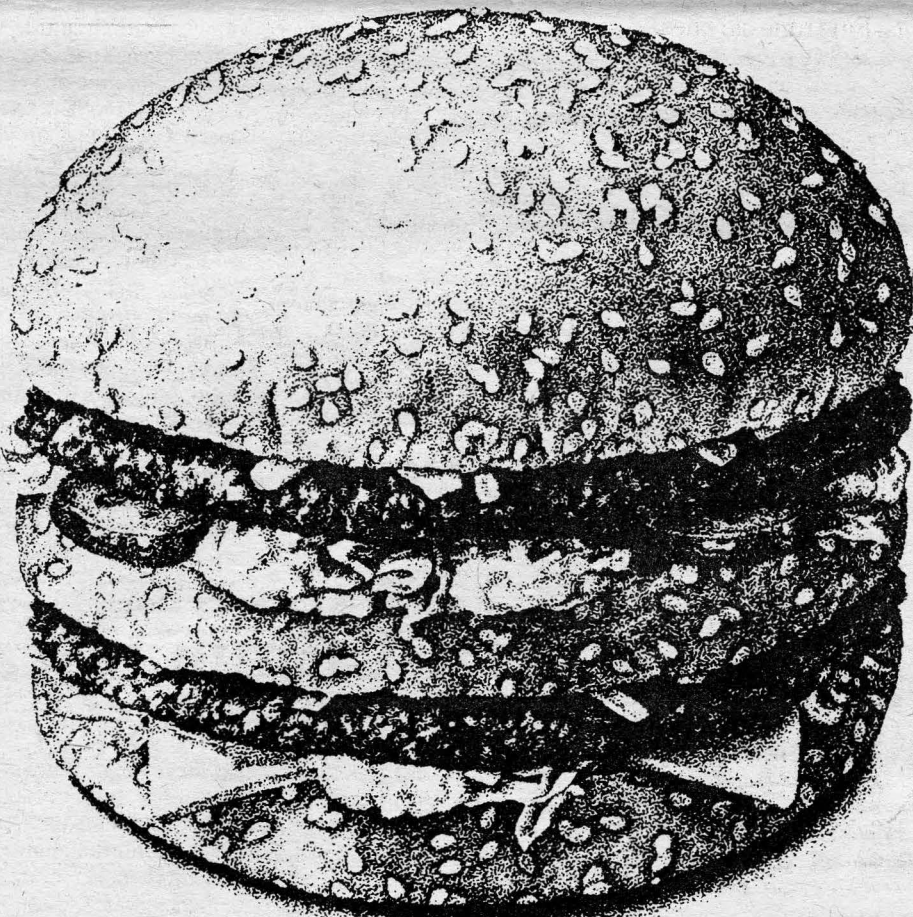
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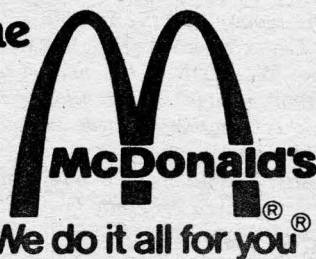


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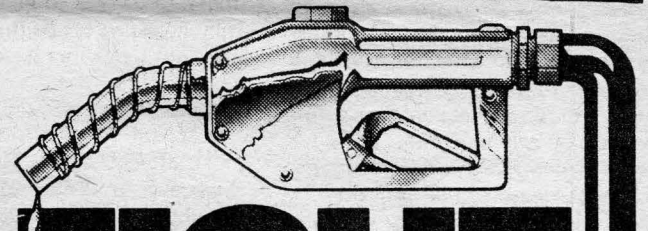
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Track Team Gets Off to Good Start

By Ben Hellman

The RWC Track Club kicked off their season last weekend on a positive note. They defeated Stonehill College in both men's and women's competition, showing that the club can hold its own against established teams.

The team edged Stonehill in men's competition by a score of 25 to 20, and in women's competition ran away, 32 to 12.

In individual races, there was considerable excitement afoot in the women's 440 yard relay. Mary Hoffman, Donna Luedke, Sepideh Hashemi, and Cathi Cocores combined to edge out the RIC relay team by inches. Mary and Donna kept it close for the first two legs of the race. Then Sepideh caught the RIC runner in the third leg. In the anchor, it went right down to the wire, as Cathi had just enough extra kick to outlast the opposing runner

by a narrow margin. The team turned in a respectable 5.7 time.

Next, in the mile, Barry Rothfuss started conservatively, saving himself for the three mile which was to be run later. The pace was sluggish, and a strong RIC runner outkicked Barry in the final quarter. Rothfuss had to settle for a 4:45 second place finish.

John Owen also ran in the mile and stayed in contact with the leaders for most of the race. In the final quarter Owen, in the sixth position, poured on the steam and pulled into a fourth place 4:53 finishing time. John had also an outstanding 69 finishing quarter split as he made his move in the home stretch.

Dave Pallotta ran a 5:10 mile, coming in in back of the pack. In the half mile, Joe Fannon placed third with a 2:13.5. Barry Rothfuss placed a close second in the three mile, with a 15:48 finishing time.

Also in the three mile was John Owen, who took sixth (16:55) and Dave Pallotta, who finished tenth (17:27). Both should run better in future races, as they have proven they can in past races.

Dennis Schwerler took second in both the 120 high hurdles and 440 intermediate hurdles. His 17.1 and 62.5 times were quite respectable, and, with practice, should be improved.

In field events, Dennis took fifth in the triple jump with a distance of 34 feet, 3 inches. Gregg Digivon also took fifth in the long jump, covering 17 feet, one inches with his leap. Joe Fannon tied for fourth with a fine 5'4" high jump.

In women's competition, Cathi Cocores grabbed first in the 100 hurdles (16.3) and 100 yard dash (12.8). Cathi appears to have the ability to run even faster in future races. Sepideh Hashemi took second in the 100 (13.3) and second in the 220 with a fine time of 33 seconds. Sepideh has been steadily improving throughout the season. Also, Donna Luedke took fifth and third places in the half mile and two mile, respectively.

Also competing were Paul Nott and Dave Cherney. Both came close to qualifying for the final in both the 100 and 220 yard dashes. Both have potential and should improve with practice.

Recruiting Counselors

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The peer counseling staff, a group of students who try to help their fellow students who are having problems adjusting to college life, is currently accepting applications from interested students who wish to be a member of that group next year.

Any interested students can pick up an application form in the Counseling Office, (Dorm 1, Tower D), or Joe Neuschatz's office, CL 104. The selections will be made by the current peer counseling staff, as well as the two directors of the program, psychology professor Joe Neuschatz, and counselor Helen Lieb.

There is no set number of students that will be chosen, but instead, all those applicants that are qualified and possess adequate counseling skills will be welcomed.

"A peer Counselor is an outreach worker," explained Robert Walker, who is in his second year in the program. "We try to spot students who are having trouble adjusting to school, and we try to help them by talking to them, and occasionally referring them on to more qualified help."

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