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CEN - best programmers in New England

Campus Entertainment Network places first at NACA Regional Conference

Kelly Scafariello
Staff Writer

On the weekend of November 8, the long weekend, most students headed home. This was not the case for the Campus Entertainment Network. Co-chairs, Becca Collins and Michael Oelbaum, Clare Stilwell, Aaron Spaulding, Justin Camputaro, and Kelly Scafariello headed to Marlboro Mass. to attend the New England Regional Conference (NACA).

This conference brings together students and professionals from colleges and universities all over New England for three days of educational programs, talent showcasing, an entertainment agency exhibit hall, and networking opportunities with students and professionals.

At an awards luncheon the CEN was

presented with two awards; they captured the **Excellence in Programming** award and **Matthew Martin**, a senior who is also Co-chair of advertising, received the award for Outstanding Student Leader. "It was a pleasant surprise," said Martin. "I enjoy all that I do."

Later that night CEN snatched another award for **Outstanding Booth Display**. CEN used their construction theme, which fit in perfectly to the conference's theme: *Evolving People and Places*.

With construction cones, sawhorses, work hats, and a plethora of gimmicks, RWU won hands down. RWU should be proud of all the honors that CEN gained at the conference - this is a top-notch achievement.

RWU made a name for itself, and became a school that others respect and want to follow.



Becca Collins and Mike Oelbaum, Co-Chairs of the CEN.

Car catches on fire on Old Ferry Road

Christy Jewell
Staff Writer

A car, which according to the Bristol Fire Department had been leaking gas, caught fire last Tuesday in the Old Ferry Road parking lot, bringing commotion and mayhem to the RWU campus.

The car, owned by sophomore John Rapetti, was a 1987 Plymouth Sundance. It was around 4:45 p.m. when all the problems started.

"I had just gotten back from voting when smoke started coming out of the front end," said Rapetti.

After parking the car in the Old Ferry lot and walking across the street, Rapetti noticed that the amount of smoke had increased. He called Security and then ran to retrieve a fire extinguisher from Willow hall. After successfully locating an extinguisher he quickly returned to the Old Ferry lot and



attempted to put the flames on his car out.

After Security got there they went through two more fire extinguishers and were still unable to get into the hood.

The fire department got there shortly afterward and managed to get the fire under control in about five minutes.

The car was burned beyond repair. "Everything under the hood is just toast," Rapetti said.

Rapetti is still unsure about whether or not he'll get another car. "I'll have to see if I can afford it," he said.

Bayside's downside



Edward Perry
Contributing Writer

Out of the 132 rooms in Bayside Courts, 110 have reported problems with their apartments, ranging from broken doors to faulty thermostats to exploding lights. The new dorm complex, which was seen as ideal by many students, is now seen by the same students as hazardous. A broken door

here, a cabinet shelf that doesn't work there, no big problem, right? Bayside CORE Scott Kroll would disagree.

"We're not willing to say anything is a small problem, we have a lengthy punchlist on what needs to be fixed," said Kroll. "If we had our way, the problems would have been solved before the dorms were opened. There is a potential for danger."

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Drug issues on campus differ from real world

Victor Maccagnan
Contributing Writer

It's a Monday night, and Frank, an RWU Business major had a long day of classes. Frank decides to go visit his friend John. When Frank enters he sees under-age people drinking and smoking marijuana. Frank has a decision to make. Should Frank partake in the illegal actions or should he just go home? Frank decides to have a beer and smoke a joint. However, according to Frank (not his real name), "What is the worst that can happen, getting written up? It's not like I can get arrested or anything."

Penalties for buying, selling, and using drugs have become well known for some people. However, what many people do not realize is that the penalties that people get for drug-related crimes are tremendously different from the penalties that college students get

for the same drug-related crimes committed on campus.

According to Keith Bettencourt, an RA at Bayside Courts, for a minor and legal drug like alcohol, "As an RA I am going to document you." In the documentation, Bettencourt has the prerogative to say whether or not the person being documented was cooperative or not. After documentation the write-up is given to the CORE of where the person lives. For instance, if someone was written-up in their own apartment at Bayside, Scott Kroll would be the person that would be meeting with the documented party to discuss his or her punishment. Some punishments include community service around Bayside, and a two to three page paper having to do with the person's major and what he or she was written up for. Even if a person is 21 or over and brings alcohol to the minor's room, the worst thing that can happen is getting written-up.

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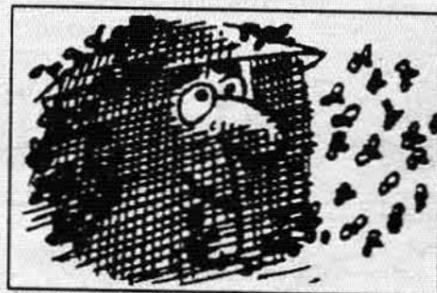
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Me and the phone lady

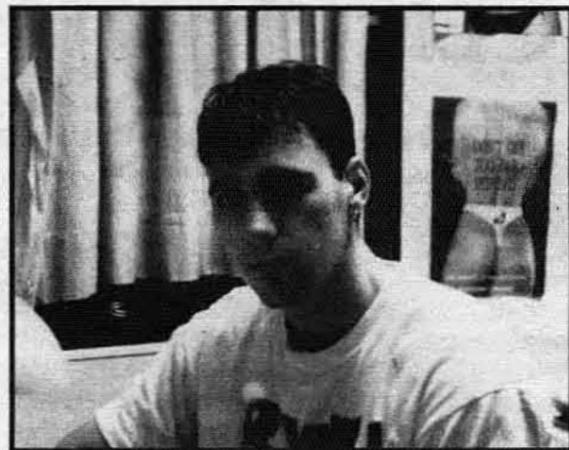
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I have a crush on the Audix lady. It's true. And don't try to tell me you don't know who she is cause she talks to you every day. Don't worry, I'm not jealous - she wants me. You see, I press star 'H'. I get the help I need from my mysterious but ever so sexy phone woman.

She's perfect. She tells me who called, at what time, and at what extension I can reach them at. I whisper sweet nothings in the receiver and she giggles and beeps and says: "Invalid Entry." It's so romantic. Have you have seen Girl 6 or read the Adult Entertainment Section of the *Phoenix*? I haven't, I was just checking to see how sick you perverts are out there. Anyway, she loves when I enter my extension or use my personal security pin number. She gets so giddy and it reminds me of the first time I heard that luscious voice of hers. "Welcome to Audix." Oh, I'm getting chills. It sounded like Aerial, The Little Mermaid mixed with Fran Dreschier, the nanny. Sweet music to the ears.

It was awful. I would skip class, diss my friends, forget meals - I was becoming like a drug addict. I needed my fix of phone loving 24-7. I even learned how to say telephone in Spanish just to impress her: *el telefonno*. She loved 1-800-COLLECT commercials. So I got her an autographed picture of Larry Budman,



the old dude that's always on Letterman. The things we do for love.

We were like two star-crossed lovers - the Romeo and Juliet of communications. I even thought about strangling myself with the phone cord just to prove my feelings to her. Here's where the conflict started. She thought I was stalking her, like pressing her buttons too intensely or something. I called Murphy Brown, the dime lady, I figured being a phone dame herself she could grant me some advice. It didn't happen. She said I sounded too much like Dan Quayle. Went to AT&T. They told to reach out and touch myself.

Put away the Klennex. There's a happy ending. I married a Uni-card and her and I have two blow-up dolls of are own.

Josh Mitchell

Dissection unethical and unnecessary

Approximately seven million vertebrate animals are killed each year for dissection in U.S. biology classrooms. To illustrate the magnitude of this many animals, consider that if you lined them all up end to end, they would stretch more than twice the length of California.

And for what purpose? What gains are made when students cut open and explore the insides of frogs and cats and fetal pigs and dogfish sharks? The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) believes that whatever benefits might arise from dissections, they are far outweighed by the associated costs. Allow me to explain.

First, there is the animal suffering involved. Investigations into the dissection trade have documented, among other abuses, cats being drowned 10 at a time in burlap sacks or prodded roughly into crowded gas chambers, rats embalmed with formaldehyde while still living, dozens of live frogs piled in sacks for days or weeks without food, and sickly turtles kept in filthy, overcrowded holding tanks. These sorts of conditions appear to be quite commonplace, and though they are inexcusable and sometimes illegal, they are perhaps not surprising in a business where the "merchandise" is going to end up dead anyway.

Then there are human social concerns. A principal goal of life science education is to teach respect for life. Dissection is an intrinsically violent exercise; it involves killing, reserving, cutting apart, then discarding an animal. However well-intentioned an instructor's desire to teach respect for animals, the typical dissection exercise will tend to undermine it by devaluing the lives of other creatures to the level of expendable objects. I have personally spoken with hundreds of bright, compassionate students who find dissection ethically repugnant; their response is sometimes to turn away from careers in such fields as human medicine, veterinary medicine, or nursing, where compassion is most needed. On the other hand, less sensitive students may be hardened by the exercise, the consequences of which are open to speculation.

There is also quality of education to be considered. Teachers who continue to use animals in dissections or other invasive classroom exercises are apparently unaware of or unmoved by the fact that more than a dozen studies have been published showing that students using humane alternatives learn anatomy and physiology as well as or better than students who use animals (The HSUS will provide an annotated list of these studies to anyone who requests it). Abundant resources are available for learning anatomy, physiology, genetics, toxicology, and other animal-related fields that do not require animals to suffer and/or die. These include films, computer simulations, models, books, or a trip to a local veterinary clinic. To anyone who simply can-

not bear the thought of dispensing with hands-on contact with a preserved animal, human cadavers offer the full-scale experience without the associated ethical problems (people are not killed for the purpose of dissection, and the patient voluntarily donates his/her body).

Even the economics of dissection do not argue for its use. The HSUS recently did a cost comparison and found that, for all five species we looked at (shark, frog, rat, pig, cat), the cost of purchasing a broad range of alternative materials was lower than that of purchasing animals to dissect. For 270 students (two students per animal) over a three year period, money saved ranged from \$344 (bullfrogs to \$4,342 (cats). If you want to save even more money, just burrow the alternative. The HSUS, for instance, operates an Alternative Loan Program that currently has over forty items available on a temporary free-of-charge basis.

Finally, there is environmental protection. Many of the animals harmed or killed for classroom use are caught in the wild. Populations of frogs and sharks, for instance, have been seriously declining in recent years, and while the specific impact of their capture for classroom use is not known, it is certainly not ecologically beneficial. Moreover, the world needs people who value environmental stewardship and compassion for life; dissection fosters neither.

Perhaps there are a few fields, such as veterinary medicine, for which cutting open and examining the insides of dead animals is indispensable. But how ironic that healthy animals would be killed for students whose professional goal is to save the lives and ease suffering. Even vet schools don't need to deliberately kill animals to train their students.

Conducting spay/neuter surgeries on animals from the animal shelters, and procuring deceased cats and dogs from their owners who sign a consent form are among the ethical ways that growing numbers of vet schools are procuring animals for their training programs. And as for the use of animals in medical school, consider that 27 of the nation's medical programs don't use animals in the curricula, and at all but one of the remaining schools the animal labs are optional. Using animals to practice surgery has been illegal in England for more than 100 years.

With all the suffering in the world, should we really be adding to it in our education programs? Is dissection necessary when other learning methods have been shown repeatedly to effectively replace it? Is there any justification for animal dissection when it has so many counts—animal killing, animal suffering, violation of students' sensibilities, mediocre educational merit, and environmental disruption—against it? We think not.

Bayside is bleeding bad

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In Whitecap, the main floor of room 334, has a gap in it that was carpeted over. "Eventually, the board underneath the carpet will break, and someone's leg will go through," said resident Jeff Wilson. "Also, the electric outlets are slapped together. You can peel them away from the wall, and some of them can be pushed into the wall." Loose electric outlets are a common problem in Bayside Courts, and could possibly result in a fire.

Some of the more interesting problems reported were a stairwell that was separating itself from the wall, a toilet that when flushed emptied itself into the floor through its base, a lightbulb

that exploded after the wire it was connected to melted, and a strange smell coming from a closet wall.

"The real problem is in the numbers. The same problems are occurring in each room," said Nathan Blodgett. "Some are falling apart quicker than others. This is very typical of the way things are done at Roger Williams. We were expecting sparkling, brand new living areas - that's not what we got. There is also a big privacy issue. I can hear distinct voices through the walls. Anyone can listen in to what you say."

In Whitecap, room 322, a window fell out of the top room floor. It crashed where two students

had been standing only seconds earlier.

"There is faulty frame construction on the windows. We're not taking the contractors word," said Richard Stegman, Director of Student Life. "Everything is being double-checked, and we're keeping their feet to the fire. They're not leaving until everything is finished."

After the window incident, many residents have their doubts. One resident who chose to remain anonymous said, "The school is taking a chance. They filed us in here knowing full well that there were problems. Granted, contractors do make mistakes. But someone could have died."

The infamous Anita Hill resigns

Anita Hill, who gained national attention when she accused then-Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas of sexual harassment, resigned from the University of Oklahoma law school Oct. 30.

Hill, a full professor, said she wanted to work in an "uncompromising" academic environment but did not specify her plans. The university's Board of Regents unanimously accepted her resignation, effective at the end of the fall semester.

"In deciding to pursue other

opportunities, I balanced my desire to teach at one of the flagship research institutions in the state of my birth against my desire to work in an academic setting whose support of diversity of ideas and perspectives and appreciation of academic of academic freedom is uncompromising," Hill wrote in her resignation letter.

"The integrity and ongoing relevance of a university lies in its ability to nurture and promote diverse ideas, without regard to their popularity, even in the face of di-

minishing public resources, vitriolic public attacks and increasing reliance on private funding," she added.

During 1991 Senate confirmation hearings, Hill said Thomas made lewd comments to her while they worked for the government in 1980s. The highly publicized hearings brought national attention to the issue of sexual harassment in the workplace. Thomas called Hill's accusations, a "high-tech lynching" and was confirmed as a Supreme Court justice.

ATM MONEY MAYHEM; BOOSTING THE EXPENSES

A \$20 bill now can cost \$21, or even more.

Six months ago, Cirrus and other automated-teller machine owners lifted their ban on surcharging ATM customers, opening the door to extra costs for ATM users.

Under the new policy, banks still can charge ATM users for using someone else's ATM. But ATM users now also may be charged by the bank that owns the machine. That means ATM users can be charged twice by two different banks for one transaction.

In a survey of 20 states released in October, the U.S. Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) disclosed that 23 percent of the 458 ATMs surveyed already are assessing surcharges to non-account holders-just six months after the ban was lifted on April 1. The machine must notify the user of the charge, which ranged from 25 cents to \$3.90, but average \$1, according to the survey.

In Illinois, only 11 percent of the machines assessed charges, the survey stated. But the Illinois branch of the PIRG says that doesn't mean that some state residents aren't losing money.

"If you're going to one of those machines that charges all

the time, then you're getting charged 100 percent of the time, not just 11 percent of the time," said Gloria Beach of the PIRG's Illinois branch.

"Using a WildCard at ATMs is much more convenient than my credit union at home as far as getting charged goes," said NU senior Jason Morris. "I must have lost at least \$15 or \$20 on charges at home."

The banks that do charge are facing the wrath of consumer groups and national legislation to halt the practice of surcharging.

"It's just greed," U.S. PIRG representative Rick Trilsch said. "They're saying, 'We just want to line our pockets with consumer's money.'"

"Always try to use your bank's ATM," she said. "Also try to figure exactly how much cash you're going to need so you don't have to keep going back."

The more you go back, the more the banks make.

The banking industry could generate an extra \$847 million in revenue if 23 percent of ATMs assessed non-account holders a \$1 fee, according to PIRG calculations.

"Banks are not hurting," Trilsch said. "Consumers are hurting. They're paying \$21 for a \$20 bill."

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The classic tale of Romeo & Juliet

Josh Mitchell
Editor-in-Chief

Tabloid-TV anchors announce a bloody feud between two notorious clans - thug royalty, whose young princes have the family name tattooed on their skulls. In Verona Beach, where the kids hang like Boods or Crips yet talk like Elizabethans, a boy drops acid and falls hard for a noble chick in the house of his family's sworn enemy.

Fresh, vibrant, and sexy - a hot ticket for the rebellious youth of America - it's *William Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet*.

The common themes of being a teenager: Falling in love for the first time, being trapped by your parents and by the rest of society, being the envy of others - it's all there in this racy urban, teen-idol gloss on the classical romance.

Skinheads, drag queens, and tough desperadoes - it sounds like a party at Howard Stern's house. It could be. The movie moves faster than Don Juan DeMarco in bed.

With MTV-like cuts, fast-paced camera angles, and a



little too much rock-video dazzle, Romeo and his posse of goodfellas spit Old English in fast-motion.

The film's young stars, Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes, are teen idols with matching smiles used as elegant erotic objects. Only problem, he's prettier than her. She still manages to shine though as an angelic sweetie with a weakness for love. Although the pair are clearly not classical thespians, they fling Shakespeare slang nicely and wreak of loving ardor. And let's face it - that counts for a lot.

When Romeo attends the

Capulet costume ball, it's a dance-happy disco dinger, the exact place you'd expect to find Mercutio, a Rupaul wanna-be ruffian who favors white Afro wigs. There's no denying - Verona needs help. Especially when the church chorus chooses to jam to Prince's, or whatever you want to call the weirdo, "Dove's Cry." I felt like busting a groove in the theater, but I was afraid the surplus of 8th grade DiCaprio groupies, the same bunch of brats that probably would have worn New Kids on the Block pins if they were given the chance, were gonna pelt me to



my death with Junior Mints. That's not the way I wanna go - whiplashed with Twizzlers maybe, but no chocolate perish for me.

There's a great scene when DiCaprio and Danes, staring at each other through an aquarium, seem to be gazing at a reflection of their own images. It's warm, cute, and cuddly - perfect youthful narcissism.

The famous "Where art thou for?" balcony is traded in for a lighted swimming pool, creating a radiance that is sure to tug at your red love-box.

When the lovers are lying in a Gothic church lit by a thousand candles, getting set for their demise, I found myself not

focusing in on the softness and sweetness of the scene, but preparing myself for Sting and the Police to jet out and croon "Every Step You Take." It didn't happen though, they killed themselves.

Shakespeare was a great entertainer - sex, violence, tragedy, comedy - he had it all. People might speculate and say that he's rolling over in his grave after a modern-day twisted twist like this. Bullshit! If Shakespeare were alive today he would be Steven Spielberg. Back in his day, his audience were drunk barflies, prostitutes, and gun-ho hunters.

Just a tad different from drooling 8th grade groupies with hormones.

Uh, What's up, your looney airness?

Nike, Wheaties, McDonalds, and Gatorade not enough for ya?

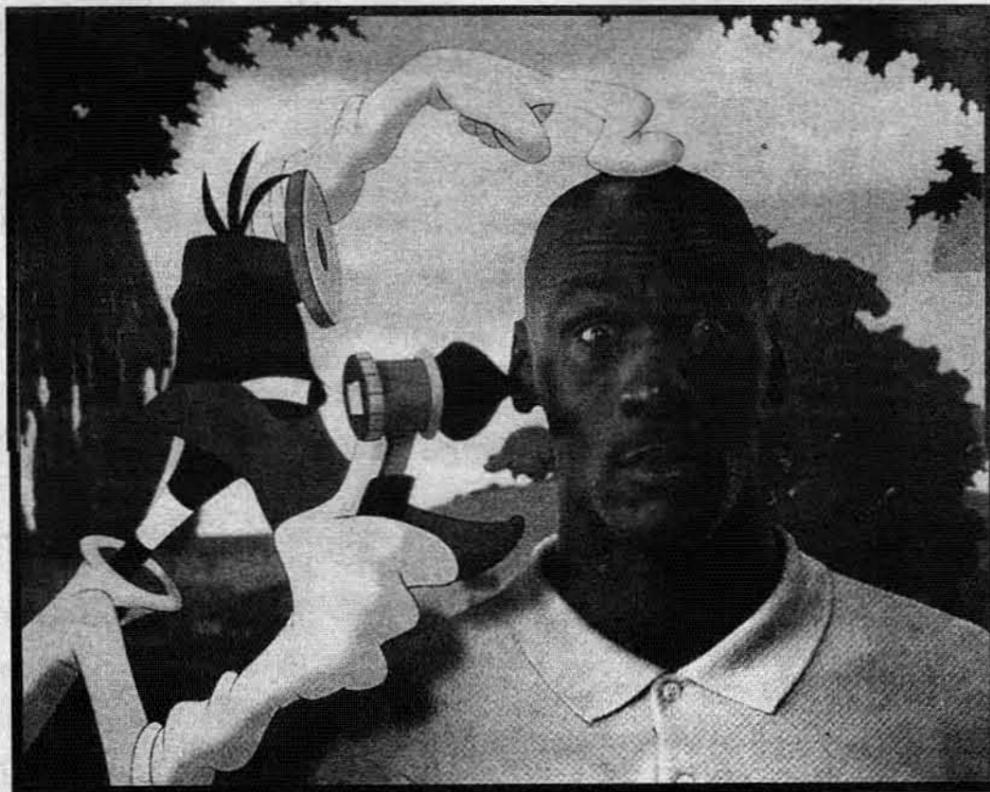
Josh Mitchell
Editor-in-Chief

Kids like all sorts of things. Some are GI Joe freaks, other are into The Simpsons. Some like eating mud while others even enjoy dressing up Barbies.

Personally, as a little squirt I liked to do a bunch of little devilish things. But of all my little pranks and activities, my favorite things to do were watch cartoons and play basketball. So you can imagine how excited I was when I heard Michael Jordan and Bugs Bunny were gonna be teammates.

The God of hoop and the King of cartoons. Jordan sticks his tongue out, Bugs eats his carrot. The two are perfect for each other - great leaders who always come out on top. And in Warner Brother's latest film *Space Jam*, that means a lot.

The production, a blend of 3-D computer animation and live action, screams of fun and creativity. Come on, what's better than watching Porky Pig, Daffy Duck, and Elmer Fudd hang out with Charles Barkley, Patrick Ewing, and Grandma-ma. Not much.



Trying to ride on the success of *Toy Story*, *Space Jam* sparkles with witty pop references and slick, wise-guy remarks. The plot - Bugs Bunny and his Looney Tune Dream Team challenges aliens to a high-stakes basketball game. You thought BC had gambling problems, listen to this: If the shrinky-dink, flower-looking

aliens win, they get to donate the heroes as slaves to a theme park on another planet. A definite victory for Bugs and company, right? Not quite. The tiny, diminutive aliens steal the talents of NBA superstars and morph into giant monsters. Enter Michael Jordan via a golf hole - Yusamine Sam tied him up and zapped him to Warner Bros.

land. Jordan, at first a little reluctant due to a dismal baseball career he wants to concentrate on, gives in, plays coach and gets his team ready to battle.

It's game time and at the half the alien big boys are crushing the toons. But don't fear, Bugs has a plan. He pretends Jordan forgot to tell the rest of the team about his special sauce that

makes them big and strong - it's really just water but what do cartoons know. Look at the Coyote, the Road Runner plays him like a fiddle. So Jordan plays along and the gang takes the court with a different attitude - a mean one. In my favorite part, Elmer Fudd turns into Travolta in *Pulp Fiction* and zaps one of the opposing villains. It's classic.

The fat guy from *Seinfeld* and Bill Murray join the team as two other live players, helping the squad to pull off a final second victory when Jordan plays Inspector Gadgit and stretches his infamous wristband arm out to dunk it over a couple of numskulls.

Jordan's new \$30 million contract with the Bulls is for only a year, fueling speculation that it might be his last. Watch out, Shaq! Here comes MJ the thespian.

To put it bluntly, I loved this movie. It's fun and animated, woops, not a good choice of words. It reminded me of the days when nothing mattered - just me and my He-man figure, a basketball, and, don't tell anyone, *My little Pony*. I like playing with its mane.

Society laws on drugs are stricter, harsher than college

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Now, society's laws on alcohol are a little different. First of all, the law is clear and simple. No one under the age of 21 can be served or drink alcohol in public places. That means if someone is drinking at a bar and they are under the age of 21 they can be arrested and put in jail. If someone is caught buying alcohol for someone under the age of 21, that person can also be put in jail. On college campuses however, no one has ever been put in jail for alcohol.

When it comes to the illegal drugs, procedures and penalties on college campuses begin to get a lot different. According to Bettencourt, "For any drug or drug paraphernalia, we immediately call security and the CORE on duty." The federal criminal code, U.S.C.A. section 863(d), defines "drug paraphernalia" as "any equipment, product or material of any kind which is primarily intended or designed for use"

with any illegal drugs. The RA, being Bettencourt, is not allowed to confiscate anything. When asked if the drug that was being reported mattered as far as what the procedure would be he explained how his main responsibility was to "call security." Security will then come to the room and confiscate anything they sees as being drug paraphernalia.

In the real world, there are no RA's to call security. There is just simply security, (meaning police officers). If someone is caught with drug paraphernalia they are arrested on the spot. On college campuses you have the chances to try and hide stuff or maybe being friends with the RA on duty so he or she will pretend they did not see anything. In the real world, if you possess it, you will get punished for it.

As far as penalties, comparing college campuses and society is like comparing night and day. Criminal Law, but Thomas J. Gardner, an attorney at law and former assistant

district attorney, and Terry M. Anderson, a professor of law at Creighton University School of Law goes into detail about the penalties of drugs. For example, a possession of a small amount of marijuana in society can lead you to either get a criminal offense, a civil offense, or legalizing conduct. A criminal offense occurs if the person is charged and convicted and the person has been convicted of a crime. If the only penalty that can be imposed after conviction is a money fine, the conviction is for a civil offense and is similar to a speeding ticket or a parking ticket. Under these circumstances, the offense of possession of a small amount of marijuana has been "decriminalized" as it is no longer charged as a crime. If neither criminal nor civil punishment is imposed for possession of a small amount of marijuana, the conduct has then been legalized and is no longer a crime or a civil offense. Alaska is reportedly the only state

that has legalized possession of a small amount of marijuana by adults.

College campuses, however, have their own judicial system. According to Scott Kroll, the CORE of the Bayside Courts, society strictly prosecutes, "Ours is a more educational" way of dealing with students. "We recognize that a lot of students do smoke marijuana," Kroll added. He explained how they can not possibly arrest everybody who smokes marijuana on campus because too many people would be getting arrested. As far as the penalties go, the circumstances play a key role. Kroll explained how "parties are more severe than just alcohol alone." Kroll also pointed out that "depending on the case history of the people being written-up" weighs strongly with their penalty. Drugs are the same way.

Therefore, if someone without a record is found smoking a joint by themselves in their room their penalty might be to write a paper. How-

ever, even though alcohol is legal, if someone without a record is caught having a party with it they can be given community service along with writing a paper. Unlike society, the main objective is not to allow students to have on campus parties.

The judicial system on college campuses swings both ways. Yes, it is true that college students can get caught with illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia without getting arrested, but there is a downside to the system for them. Our country's judicial system works on the belief that you are guilty when beyond a reasonable doubt.

Kroll explained how if a room is searched and brand new bongos have been found that were not even opened, it can be assumed that they were going to be used for illegal drugs.

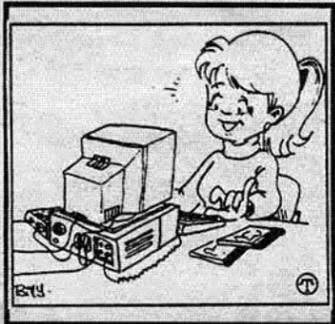
Even though in society you can make a case that they were strictly for tobacco use only, personnel at colleges won't buy that idea.

Excuses, excuses - my dog devoured my term paper

Excuses, excuses. You woke up an hour late for class, you dog pulled the plug out of the computer before you could save the term paper that was due, and your car ran out of gas.

For some students, the practice of making excuses for late assignments and missed classes has become an art, worthy of a mention when instructors swap their favorite "why-I-need-an-extension" stories in the faculty lounge.

Developmental chemistry instructor Bob Pletzer recalled the



most memorable excuse from one of his students. "A student said to me, 'I'm a male model, and they're holding me hostage in my

hotel room.'

Math instructor Dr. Diane Vukovich added: "I had a student who said that she had a split personality. One personality came to class, and the other did the homework."

"I've had students who live in the residence halls who said that they couldn't get there because of the weather - and I had one student who was stuck in an elevator somewhere downtown."

Math instructor Chris Ferris recalled an excuse that one of her

colleagues had shared with her. "Someone had called and said that her daughter had just kissed the toaster, and she had to go to the hospital."

When students were asked about some of their own most memorable excuses, they had a lot to say as well.

Communications major Rob Reseh once told a professor that he had been hit by a bus and would not be in class for the day.

Undergraduate biology major Rickov Biplar used the excuse,

"My dog caught on fire."

Geology graduate student Chad Epling went so far as to claim, "I lost my prosthetic arm that I write with."

Professors had heard many other excuses such as "I was in jail," "I couldn't find the room," and even "I'm sort of living in Maryland."

Among the most popular recurring excuses are there was a flat tire, a family tragedy, a doctor's appointment or a homework hungry dog, said instructors.

MASTERCARD ACTS

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November 21 at 9:00 p.m.
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Donate some food!

Food Drive to benefit Rhode Island Food Bank

Though exams will soon be upon them, students at Roger Williams University and the School of Law are taking time to collect food to stock the shelves at the Rhode Island Community Food Bank. The food drive is planned through a cooperative effort by student members of the American Bar Association/Law Student Division, the Student Bar Association, and the Student Senate of Roger Williams University.

"At a recent law school conference, we had a discussion about how students can give back to the communities where the law school is located," said Janine Edwards, a third-year day student at the School of Law. "One of the suggestions was to collect food for local families."

The Student Bar Association was receptive to the idea and decided to host a kick-off party for law students at a local restaurant. Admission will be either a food donation or \$2 which will be used to

purchase additional food. Faculty and staff will be contributing food also and we encourage others in the community to donate at the campus or town hall.

The food drive runs from November 8-15. On Sunday, November 16, the law students will pick up food in the food bank bins and boxes at the locations below and make a delivery to the Rhode Island Community Food Bank.

From Friday, November 8 through Friday, November 15, canned goods and non-perishable food will be accepted at the following locations: Roger Williams University School of Law Cafeteria and Roger Williams University Undergraduate Cafeteria.

The public is welcome to join with the students of the law school and undergraduate programs in this community effort.

For more information, contact Janine Edwards at 401-254-4526.

**RHODE ISLAND
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FOOD BANK**

IMPORTANT: Please watch for expiration dates. Food items should not be over 6 months old. Please no baby food. Thank you.

SUPERSTAR ENDS - THE HORNY TOADS VICTORIOUS!

Donna Zakszewski Superstar Staff

This semester has just flew by. Superstars is officially over. Some might cheer, some might sigh. But overall, the competition went very well. The main goal was to unite the residence halls, and the majority feel the mission was accomplished. The ones who chose to participate had their chance to shine, but the ones who did not, lost out.

"Overall, there was a higher participation in superstars then in anything else we've ever done," said Terri Ward, Associate Director of Student Life.

Although it took a lot of hard work, especially for the staff devos members, it seemed to pay off. "For a program put on for the first time it went really well... it was a great start and their is tremendous potential for next year," said Chrissy McCartney, staff devo member representing her team "Trouble" from Cedar 4 north.

Many feel the points on the last day were outrageous, especially Monopoly, but that is what made it so exciting.

"Although it took a majority of my time it was worth it to see the excitement in the residents' eyes," said Jeffrey Kaine, staff devo

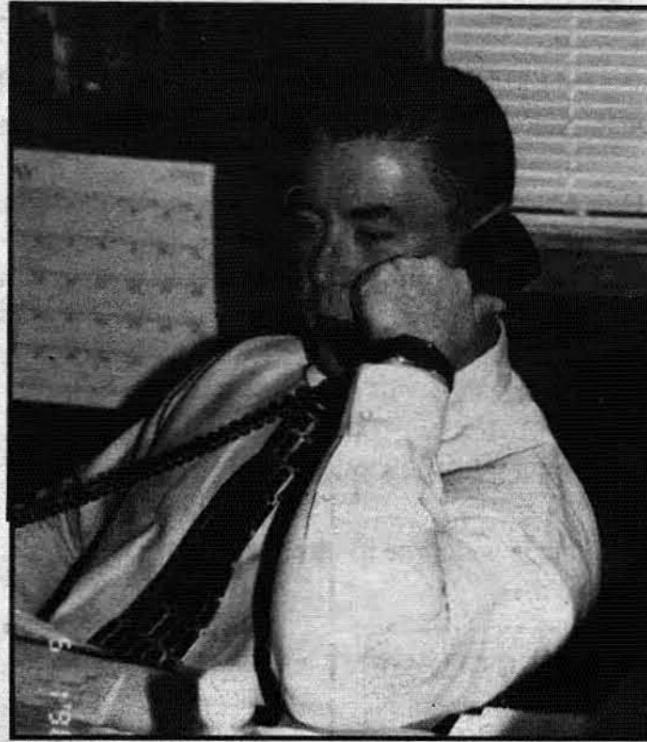
member and RA Maple Unit 3 representing team "Well-Topia.

Competition was tough out there some of the time and the points in the end shows for that. For example, the 8-Balls from Maple Unit 8 went from 14th place to 2nd in a matter of a few events.

"I just got out of the shower when I checked my voice-mail message from Terri Ward, I was so excited. I went nuts!! I ran into my lounge in my bath towel to tell everyone the great news, of course everyone was also excited," said Kyla Fox, RA of unit 8.

Unit foreplay was also excited to come in 3rd place. "I think it was an interesting event to bring to RWU this semester," said Jeremy Griffin, RA in Maple Unit 4. Another happy team was the Shadow Sears from Maple unit 12 taking 4th place. They sort of intimidated other teams with their black dress and skull on their flag, but they really had a good time.

"Superstars was a successful program for the entire school, giving us something to do on the weekends," said Kimberly Berger, 5th year Architecture major, staff devo member and RA in Maple Unit 12. "It made our unit work as a team with new school spirit and they were energetic about meeting new people. Most of my unit is made up of upperclassman but for the freshman superstars made a strong bond that should stick with them their four years of



"It's official - The Horny Toads are the winners."

The happiest and most energetic group was the **Horny Toads** from Willow Unit 21. They were the only group to participate in every single event to earn their total score of 29,363 points.

Here is some background on the winners:

• Evan King - Senior, 21, from New York. Business administration/Marketing major with a double major in Finance/Economics.

• Sean Ahern - Junior, 20, from Herkimer, NY, Marine Biology major.

• Mike West - Sophomore, transfer, 19, from Randolph, Maine, History major

• Mike Sacco - "The Chomper" Freshman, 18, from New Jersey Business management major.

• Tim Grady - "Boss Man" Freshman 18 from Newton, Mass. Business management major.

• Chris Armstrong - Freshman 18 from Seekonk, Mass. Architecture major.

• Mike Ricciardi - "Shardi" Freshman 18 from Medford, Mass. Construction management major.

• Jason Tullish - Freshman, 18, from Marshfield, Mass. Marine Biology major.

• Michael Baron - "G.Q." Freshman 18 from Monson, Mass. Marine Biology major.

• Jason Veno - Freshman 19 from Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Engineering major.

• Dave Vining - Freshman 19 from Biddeford, Maine. Computer Information Systems major.

• Courtney Seymore - "Being the only GIRL is exciting, but I don't get much sleep," Courtney is from Hampton Bays, Long Island New York.

The Horny Toads reflect on their win:

• "We couldn't have done it without our mascot "Sydney," shouted King, echoed by the whole united group.

• "We stuck together to win Superstars," said Grady, who came up with the name the Horny Toads.

• "I was happy to sacrifice my arm for the team," said Ahern with his arm all bandaged up.

• "Is it a good thing people say I look like Weird Al?" said Tullish.

• They won trophies for each of them, T-shirts, a dinner, and a plaque for their lounge.

Where did your team place in Superstars?

Chart Name

Chart Name	Total points
1. Horny Toads	29363
2. 8-Balls	22340
3. Unit Foreplay	18091
4. Shadow Sears	17922
5. Huckleberry Hall	17429
6. Nike Bomb Squad	16940
7. Bad News Bears	16465
8. Champions	15260
9. Well-Topia	13723
10. Py-rettes	13122
11. Mostly Men	12240
12. Buzzards	11997
13. Team Bayside	10472
14. Units Formely Known as 2 & 14	10252
15. Absolute 53	9845
16. Team Fluff	8713
17. Cedar Beaters	7949
18. Trouble	7492
19. Screaming Hawks	7116
20. Cedar North Stars	7096
21. 2 Liver South	7063
22. Fun Loving Criminals	5551
23. Just Hanging Out	5037
24. Jasper	4560
25. Units 1 & 6	3470
26. Beach Bums	2484



The Student Senate

I. CALL TO ORDER: Meetings are held every Monday at 6:30 in the Senate chambers of the Student Union.

II. ROLL CALL: Dana Altobello, Mandy Butterworth, Scott Blumenfeld, Dena Castricone, Fritze Charne', Justin Camputaro, Heather Culp, Adam Geller, Stephanie Giangrande, Melissa Glidden, Lance Hashim, Evan King, Katherine Kolek, Jennifer Maursky, Kevin Measor, Cherie Schaffer, Doug Sipiora.

III. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

IV. OPEN FLOOR FOR NON-SENATORS:

A. OPEN: Anyone is welcome to attend a Senate meeting so that they may bring up any concerns they may have.

B. CAMPUS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK: As the primary source of programming at RWU, the Campus Entertainment Network reports weekly on their latest activities.

VII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Heather Culp recently reported on the success of such Senate sponsored events as Midnight Madness, Senate Inductions, Spirit Week and Elections.

VIII. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT: Vice President Lance Hashim reviews the minutes from the Executive Board meetings, which are held every Thursday at 9:30 AM. During these meetings, issues such as the Senate agenda for the following week, goals of the Senate and administrative concerns are discussed by the Executive Board and the Senate advisors, Mary Ann Quinn, Tony Ferreira, Dean Karen Haskell and Michael Cunningham.

IX. TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Mandy Butterworth discusses the current Senate budget, allocations to clubs and organizations and in conjunction with the finance committee, and the approval of the Senate, Mandy oversees all Senate fiscal operations.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. STUDENT AFFAIRS: Committee Chair Adam Geller reviews the minutes from the Student Affairs meetings. Adam and the committee report on current activities of the clubs and organizations and also address the concerns of any students who are interested in forming new clubs.

B. PARKING: Committee Chair Kathy Kolek reports on the current parking issues as well as issues of safety and security on campus.

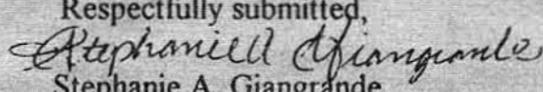
C. ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION: Committee Chair Dena Castricone addresses environmental concerns of the student body.

D. RULES: Committee Chair Kevin Measor and the committee address the responsibilities, specific obligations and expectations of the Senate.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Currently, Senators are investigating a variety of student body concerns including: Saturday mail service, blue light safety boxes, commuter involvement, library resources, lighting, parking and an improvement in the quality of the educational experience of an RWU student.

XII. NEW BUSINESS: Congratulations to Senator Cherie Schaffer who, with the assistance of Jim Galib, revised ACUS so that local and toll-free numbers can be dialed without a PIN code. Senate, along with the Law school will be sponsoring a local Thanksgiving food drive. The Senate will also be participating in the annual Thanksgiving Basket contest.

XIII. MEETING ADJOURNED: Meetings can run anywhere from 45 minutes to two hours for special meetings. Please let your Senators know of any concerns that you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie A. Giangrande
Student Senate Secretary

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Life after Gould - the search for a new dean

Christy Jewell
Staff Writer

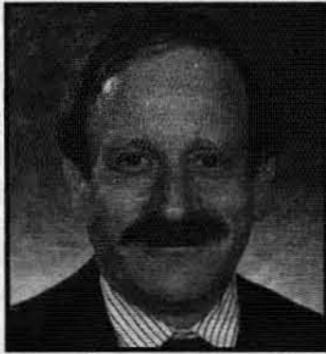
Now that Dean Gould has stepped down, the search for a new dean begins. Next year, the College of Arts and Sciences will probably have a dean, but who that person will be remains to be seen.

However, chances are that the person who is picked will not be a faculty member like Gould, but will come from another institution.

The reason for that is mainly the way deans are found. Roger Williams will take an ad out in a journal like *The Chronicle*, a professional journal for people who work in higher education.

A committee will be formed at that point. From there the committee will take the applications they receive and go through them. The number of applications is expected to be high, possibly up to 400 or 500. A group of about 20 applicants will be picked for interviewing over the phone or in a manner similar to that.

Those 20 will be narrowed to a group of about six, who will be asked to come to campus for an interview. At that time students and faculty will have the opportunity to meet with the person.



Mark Gould

After all the evaluations have been completed, the committee will make a recommendation to the president, who makes the final decision.

"The process should take about six months. We hope to know by April or May," said Malcolm Forbes, Vice-President of Academic Affairs.

The question of whether a dean who comes from somewhere outside of the university is better than somebody who comes from the inside has been raised.

"Someone from the inside knows the students and the faculty and that is a good thing, but with somebody from the outside the good is exactly the opposite," said Forbes.

An outside interest can look without bias at programs and faculty. They bring a new point of view into the school with them,

the knowledge and experience of other places. The ability to look without bias like that is good for the university because then we have the chance to expand programs into areas that maybe we hadn't thought of yet.

Professor Clem Ehoff echoes that sentiment when he spoke about Dean of the Gabelli School of Business, Gary Lombardo.

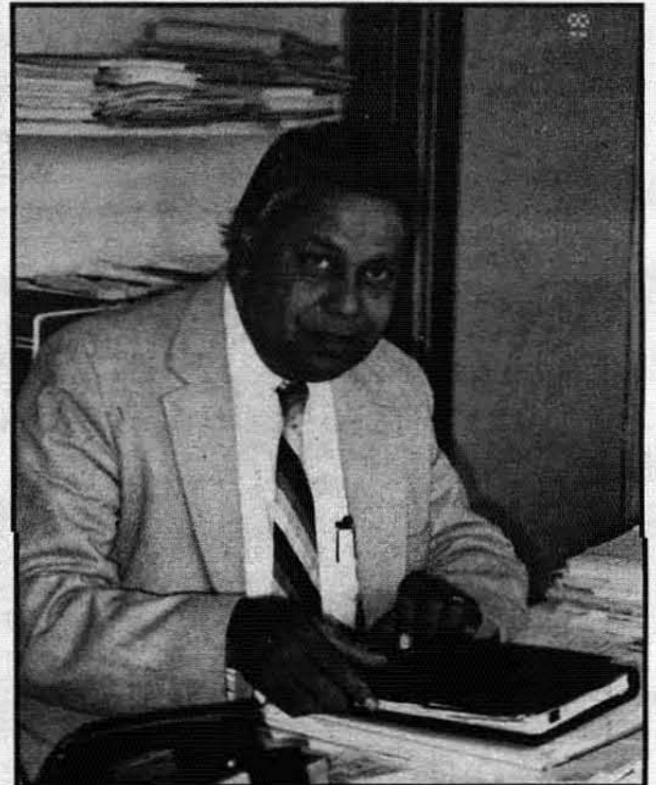
"It really doesn't matter where the person comes from but what they bring with them," he said.

In fact many people seem to agree with that statement. The dean that is picked needs to have Roger Williams University's best interests in mind. If he or she does, then the university will flourish.

The past also seems to make that statement seem true. The business school has had three other people in charge of it. Each of those people tried their hardest to make the school of business a better place.

Other schools have had their deans for a longer period of time. The School of Architecture has had Raj Saksena as their dean since the school was opened.

The problem with a dean from the outside is that he or she doesn't know much about Roger Williams or the students and faculty that are here. They may have to adjust to a completely different



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surrounding. Somebody who already knows the surroundings might have less of a hassle dealing with a problem that might arise, but they have biases based on what they already know.

Being dean can be a tough job. Most of the faculty agree that Gould has done well. The person to follow will have some big shoes to fill.

However, if the future dean stays in their position and tries to help the school, then it won't matter whether they came from within the university or if they came from another institution.

Four years from now few people will even remember if this person was or wasn't from the university because he or she will be a part of it.

THEN and NOW!

The History Of Public Relations

(NAPS)—Relating to people and trying to build a consensus has been something we've been doing for a long time. In fact it goes back further than many people realize.

THEN: The Romans embraced a philosophy called *vox populi*, the voice of the people. Ancient kings employed minions to monitor the pulse of public opinion.

In fact the tools of public relations played an important role in the foundation of America, beginning with the work of Samuel Adams and his fellow revolutionaries. They used pen, pulpit, symbols and staged events, such as the Boston Tea Party, to mobilize public opinion against their English rulers.

Public relations as we know it in the United States has a history dating back to the early 1900s. In fact Ivy Lee, Jr. considered to be the father of modern public relations, was also the first to advocate factual, truthful exposition of information and the need for good corporate policies and performance.

NOW: Today, public relations is a rewarding profession for tens of thousands of Americans. Many of these professionals, (more than 17,000) belong to the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA). For those men and women in the PR profession, who demonstrate that they have the knowledge, ethics and experience that sets them apart, PRSA awards the designation Accredited



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Compiled by Sarah Lizotte

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- *Batteries will last longer if you store them in an airtight container in your refrigerator.
- *Drinking plenty of water will suffice if your workout lasts for less than an hour. For longer workouts, switch to sport drinks because they contain nutrients that fuel your muscles.

Hear those dancing feet at 42nd Street

Josh Mitchell
Editor-in-Chief

Winner of the Tony Award for Best Musical, **42nd Street** rocks and thunders with the rhythm of energetic tap dancing during eight performances, November 19-24, 1996.

Based on the 1993 Warner Brothers film starring Ruby Keeler, Dick Powell, and Ginger Rogers, **42nd Street** pays a tribute to the original American art form of tap dancer that came into vogue at nightclubs, on Broadway, and in the movies during the late 1920's and early 1930's. It's not Savior Glover, but, boy, does it bring in the noise and the funk.

42nd Street showcases a chorus that dazzles while high-stepping to a collection of songs now among the most popular from Broadway including "We're in the Money," "Lullaby of Broadway," and the title song, "42nd Street."

The story of **42nd Street** begins backstage during a rehearsal for the musical *Pretty Lady*, the latest production from Broadway director Julian Marsh. Julian has a great deal

riding on the show, having been financially crushed by the Depression.

The desire for a career on the stage gives Peggy Sawyer the courage to walk off the street and audition for the show. Luck prevails as she is chosen to be a member of the chorus, a dream come true for a girl fresh off the train from Allentown, Pennsylvania who

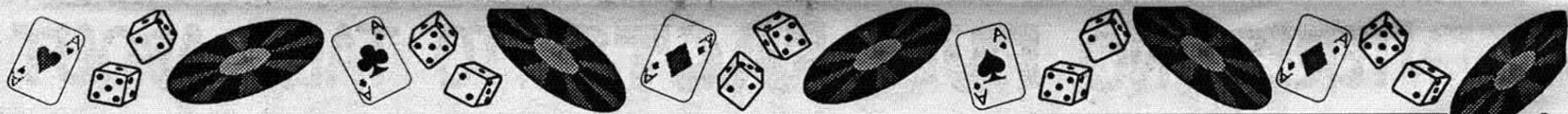
has her sights set on Broadway.

Peggy Sawyer gets her chance at stardom when opening night arrives and the leading lady is unable to go on due to a busted ankle. The only hope of saving the show is for Peggy to step out of the chorus and into the feature role. She has to learn six songs and 10 dance routines in less than

36 hours. It's a demanding request and Peggy is overwhelmed yet determined. Encouragement from the entire company inspires her to take the risk and the outcome is one of the many highlights of **42nd Street**.

42nd Street became an instant hit after opening on Broadway in August of 1980. The show received critical ac-

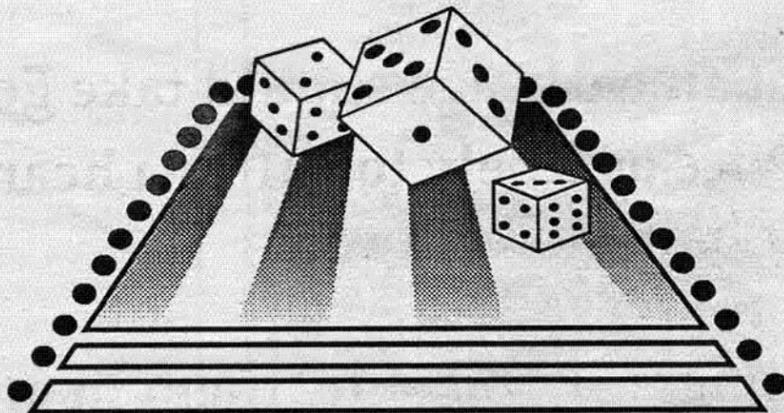
claim and ran for 3,486 performances to become one of the longest running musicals in Broadway history. The production of **42nd Street** is directed and choreographed by Tony Parise who made his Broadway debut as a performer in the show's original Broadway company. Tickets for **42nd Street** are available by calling (401) 421-ARTS.



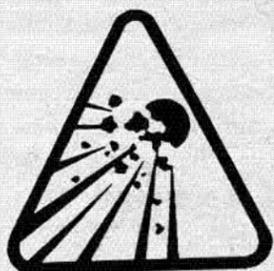
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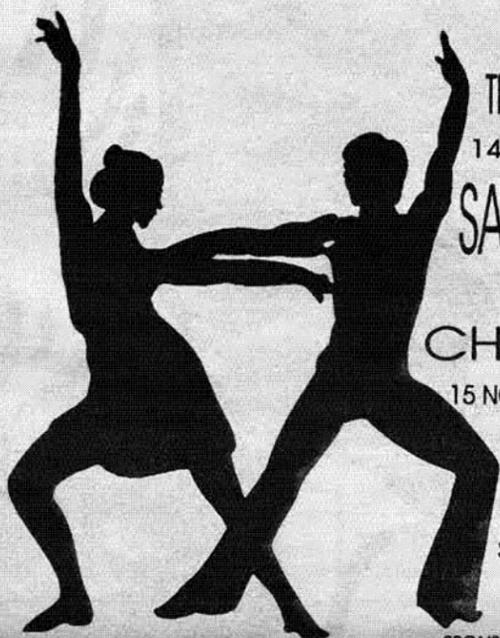
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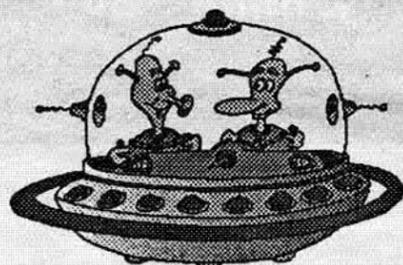
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QUICK QUIZ

How Much Do You Know About Public Relations?

(NAPS)—Though you deal with people every day, this short quiz may help to improve your knowledge of public relations.

1. Public relations can be defined as the understanding and goodwill achieved between an individual, organization, or institution and the public. (a) True (c) False?

2. Public relations as we now know it dates back to the (a) 1850s (b) early 1900s (c) 1930s?

3. To be a candidate for accreditation a public relations professional must have three years experience in the field. (a) True (b) False?

4. The Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) has more than 17,000 members. (a) True (b) False?

ANSWERS

1. (a) True. The men and women entrusted to this task are public relations professionals. 2. (b) It dates back to about 1904, when Ivy Lee Jr., a former newspaperman during the "muckraking era," teamed with another public relations pioneer, George F. Parker, to form a public relations counseling firm in 1904. Lee was among the first to sense that publicity and notoriety as practiced by press agents of his time were inadequate for the growth of American industry. 3. (b) False. To be a candidate for the designation APR (Accredited in Public Relations) one must be a member



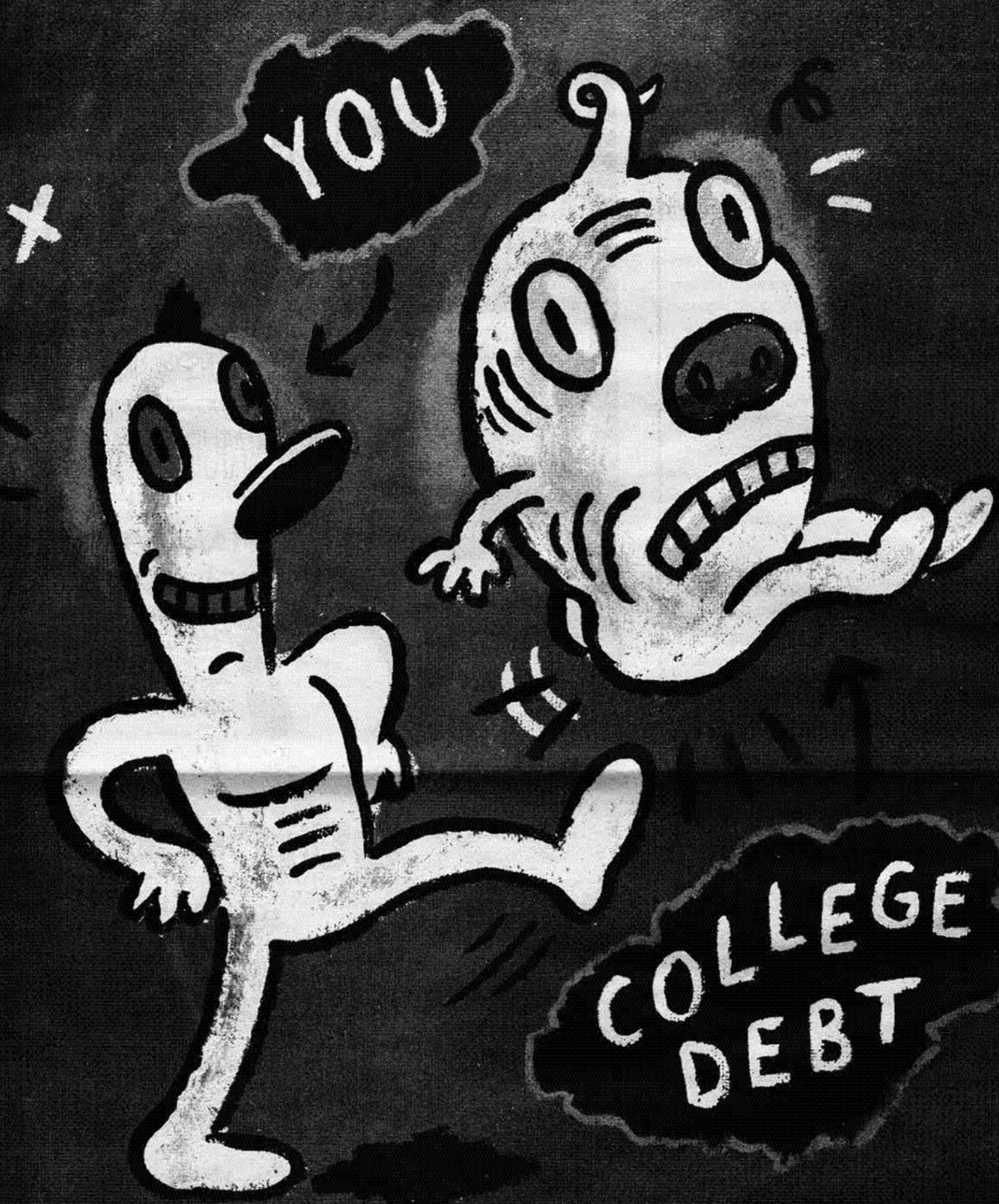
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in the Public Relations Society of America with at least five years of experience in the paid practice of public relations or in the teaching or administration of public relations courses in an accredited college or university. Some of the most successful professionals in this field have this designation. The exam to become an APR is given twice a year at most of the more than 100 PRSA chapters. 4. (a) True. Nearly half of those eligible carry the designation APR.

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Men's Basketball continues rebuilding era

Beth Lebowitz
Sports Editor

Brian Flemming, Keith Manuel, and Frank Rossi head a promising men's basketball team. These three seniors will lead a talented but young squad this season. The men's team is coached by the talented staff of head coach Thomas Seinkiewicz, and assistants coaches Kent Crooks, and Jason Ryan. Crooks, a former teacher at Lincoln High School, and a coach for the past 15 years, will be aided by Ryan who played four years at Stonehill, along with 3 years coaching experience. "These two gentlemen will be tremendous," stated Sienkiewicz. The team has de-

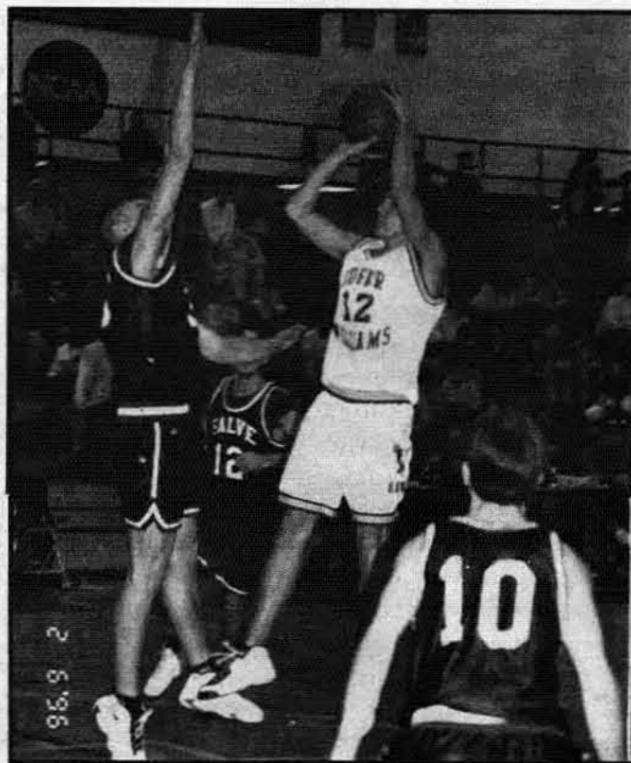
ecided on no captains this season. "I feel the best idea is to have weekly captains," explains Sienkiewicz, "it makes the men practice harder, and they work to be the game captains," says Sienkiewicz. "We have so much more depth, that extra year of knowing what to expect from me, makes it easier," says Sienkiewicz. "The men worked very hard for the last ten weeks, getting in shape and getting ready for the season," the coach added.

The men are in their sixteenth week of practice and look very good, according to Seinkiewicz. The coaches biggest concern is that they will have to battle the youth of the team.

Brian Flemming is the most experienced player, a guard who plays well with the younger

players. The schedule looks a lot like last year. Their first four games are away against some tough opponents.

The strategy is to have the best record possible heading into the break. Sienkiewicz foresees the league play to be the most difficult throughout the season. The Hawks have 24 games this season, and their home opener is December 7 against Suffolk University, at 2 p.m., and looks to be a tough match up. "The guys are putting the effort in," states Sienkiewicz, "the past ten weeks they have been working hard. Any type of student backing would make us that much better. The more fans the better we will be. We want to be successful, that way we can play an enjoyable game for our fans," the coach said.



Brian Flemming will once again be an outside threat

New co-ed equestrian coach named at RWU

Joanne Sisson of Warren has been appointed co-ed equestrian coach at RWU. The announcement was made recently by director of athletics William Baird.

"Sisson replaces longtime coach Michaela Scanlon Oliveira, who took over the new

varsity program at Brown University," said RWU sports information director David Kemmy.

Sisson has spent the past seven years working with Oliveira at the Ferrycliffe Farm Stables in Bristol and Windswept Farm in Warren. Sisson served as a riding instructor and

trainer at the Char Gus Stables in South Attleboro, Mass., from 1988 to 1989 and served as barn manager and riding instructor at the Newport Equestrian Center from 1986 to 1988.

Sisson has also worked as an instructor and trainer at Roseland Acres in Tiverton, and

from 1986 to 1989 successfully showed personal and privately owned horses at shows throughout Rhode Island and New England.

She graduated from the Executive Secretarial School in 1986 and from Bristol High School in 1985.

Baird said, "She has a good feel for our program, having worked with Michaela for so long. The equestrian program has fared very well in recent years, and we feel Joanne will be able to keep the program at a quality level."

Intramural scores and highlights

Compiled by Intramural Director Jim Cook

FALL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Champions: *"Fat Man's Revenge"*

The Team:

Pat Consolati	Mike Sage
Jon Molnar	Adam Deponte
Kevin Ziskin	Jeff Lizee
Steve Preiss	Matt Canberg
John Harper	Kevin Kenny
Joe Smith	Justin Coutu
Rocco Iocco	

SIX ON SIX OUTDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE

Champions: *"International Mix"*

The Team:

Patrick Polognesque	Victor Huerta
Rodolfo Suels	Luis Quintana
Robert Lopez	Arnel Thomas
Hamid Jahandra	Guillermo Zuloaga

FALL TENNIS LEAGUE RESULTS

Champion: *Dave McKenna - undefeated*

FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Champions: *"Blood Thirsty Jackals"*

The Team:

Dean Mastangelo	Chris Holt
Gerard Noram	Ron Warr
Matthew Joe	Scott Bitar
Jeff Delmore	Brian Coyle
Tony Morado	Will DiPicho
Max Stagliano	Kevin McGee
Frank Ribezzo	Sean Settle

FALL VOLLEYBALL STANDINGS

TEAM	WON	LOST
BUMMERS	5	1
SIX PACK	4	1
FROGS	4	1
HARVEY HEAD	4	2
T - EXTREME	4	2
SCREECH EELS	3	3
BINGERS	1	4
B. INFLUENCE	1	4
6 BIG UNITS	0	6

S P O R T S

Men's Volleyball elevate to dominate

Beth Lebowitz
Sports Editor

After last year's season that proved to be the best in Men's Volleyball history here at RWU, the team is ready for this season with just as much venom.

However, the loss of a few very key figures on the team leave space for youth and inexperience. Twelve men walked on the court to attempt to be part of the men's team on the eleventh for tryouts. Five returners make up the twelve, Chris

Schmitt, a senior, John Harper, a junior and a captain this season, Tom Knox a junior, Luke Barron, a junior and a captain, and Mike Tartamella, a sophomore. "We will miss the experience. The new kids are talented but they have no real experience in the college level," says coach Didier Bouvet. "I am surprised at all the potential. It will take time for them to improve at the college level. The transition from high school to college is tremendous," the coach added. "There will probably be no cuts," said head

coach Tamara Sutton. The Hawks schedule in comparison to last season seems weak. "They want to keep us closer to New England this season," Bouvet said. "There are not a lot of teams in this area. Not a lot of good teams anyway," he added. The Hawks have been the conference champs for the past two years. The team went undefeated last season and made it all the way to the National Division three championships. "We anticipate the Vassar Tournament to be the most challenging this season," explained

Bouvet.

"Our schedule is so weak this season that even if we go undefeated we probably won't get a chance at the National Division Three championships this season," says Bouvet, "that's really disappointing," he finishes. Harper and Barron, the two junior captains are expected to lead the team this season. Both these players are in their third year as starters on the court and are anticipated to step up this season in a big way. "Both Luke and John practice so hard and are so intense that they are great lead-

ers for the rookies. That's what captains are about," explains Bouvet. Head coach Sutton is also proud of her team's efforts off the court. "We have the two highest GPA's (the men and the women) in the school," she adds, "we are court smart and book smart," Sutton finishes. The men's first home game is a tri-match on January 6 at noon, against Springfield College, Western New England College, and Columbia Union, it should prove to be a very exciting home opener with heavy competition for the blue and gold.

Women's hoops back under Bruckshaw's direction

Beth Lebowitz
Sports Editor

With head coach Ellen Quantmeyer Bruckshaw back this season the Lady Hawk's are headed on the right track.

Bruckshaw, who is pleased to be back after a year off, commented that the team looks strong. Fourteen women make up the team, with six seniors that add depth.

The team has picked tri-captains (three captains) to lead the Hawks, seniors, Jen Webber, Christine Cariacopolis, and Sue Pasqual. When asked who the starters looked to be Bruckshaw

replied, "There are no starters. These positions are open to anyone who works hard. But we do have a lot of veterans, and their experience will be essential".

Since there are so many seniors, Bruckshaw sees all of them taking on leadership roles. "Webber is a very good physical player as well as verbally loud, and Christie is a spark plug," said Bruckshaw. "We look to all our seniors to help the team out."

This year's squad looks to improve on last year's record. "These women as well as myself are far more experienced this season as opposed to last," said Bruckshaw. "I learned a lot by being out a season," she finished. As to the new talent Bruckshaw seems more than

satisfied, "Tosha Lang is a tough ball player. She is very versatile, verbal, and physical, especially for a Freshman," the coach said.

"Then there's Kate, she has a real soft touch on her shot," added Bruckshaw. These women will be looked to in the future to help the Hawks win games.

As for Bruckshaw, returning after a year off she is more than thrilled. "It is so wonderful to be back. I look forward to this, I missed it" she said. "We need people to support us. We need some people to come out and scream".

The Lady Hawks first home game is on November 26 at 7 p.m. against Connecticut College, so come out and scream!



Corruption finds its way into Chestnut Hill BC football gambling ends season for some players, career for others

Ray Sullivan
News Editor

Anyone who's been watching the news lately has heard about the recent scandal at Boston College, in which 13 players were caught gambling. Two teammates, Marcus Bemby and Jamall Anderson were even found to have bet against their own team to lose against Syracuse University, a game that the Eagles lost 45-7.

But should any of us really be surprised? We live in a society that absolutely embraces gambling. You can't turn your head these days without seeing an advertisement for Foxwoods Casino, or a commercial telling us to play powerball. What about that harmless office pool dad won forty bucks in last week? Nobody seemed to crack down on him. Well, there's a difference.

College athletes sign a piece of paper saying that they will not participate in gambling of any kind.

They in fact give up their right to gamble when they make that commitment. They probably all figured it was harmless, just another way to make a few extra bucks on the side.

But this wasn't just your ordinary little dorm pool. These guys were organized. A recent investigation by the Middlesex County District Attorney's office uncovered a whole underground network of student gamblers who were runners for bookmakers in New York, with ties to organized crime.

One particular runner fell behind on his payments last year. He was beaten so badly that he spent several days in the hospital. His parents had to pay bookies \$1,000 a week for a month just to keep their son from getting killed. Is there any wonder why the NCAA doesn't want athletes gambling?

"There is no tolerance for sports wagering because it affects the integrity of the game," said NCAA investigator Bill Saum.

Investigators found that the gambling ring extended far off the campus of Boston College. They found runners at just about every



Boston College recently emptied the lockers of five football players. They were, from left: Steve Everson, Jamall Anderson, Jermaine Monk, Marcus Bemby and Brandon King

college campus in Boston.

Gambling can lead normal people to do strange things, things they normally wouldn't do if gambling weren't influencing them. Which might explain why Anderson and Bemby bet against their own team.

How does that make you feel if you're Dan Henning, the Eagles Coach. You give these two guys scholarships to one of the best institutions in the country, and they repay it by betting against their own team. It's sad really.

Studies have shown that over 25% of college students gamble. The BC football players were just unfortunate enough to get caught, and because of their standing as athletes everyone knows it.

Let's face it, if the guy down the hall got caught gambling on football no one would care. But because society builds these kids up to be celebrities, the fall from grace is even tougher for them.

Although, they can't claim ignorance. They knew what they were getting into when they signed their waivers to be a college athlete. They were all aware of the status that comes with being a division one football player. They chose to live their lives in the spotlight.

Thirteen players have had their season ended. Five will never play again. Should we feel sorry for them? You decide. These kids just got caught up in an easy way to make money.

Could this ever happen at RWU? Who knows. But one thing is for sure, it would never attract the national attention that the BC incident has, simply because no one would care but us.

Today, major Division One Sports have become more of a money making tool, and a showcase for future professional talent.

No one would care if it happened here because there's no money to be made through D-3 athletics, and not to many players have pro scouts knocking down their doors.

But that's all fine. Athletes here work just as hard. The only difference is that the reason our athletes are still playing is simply because they love the game.