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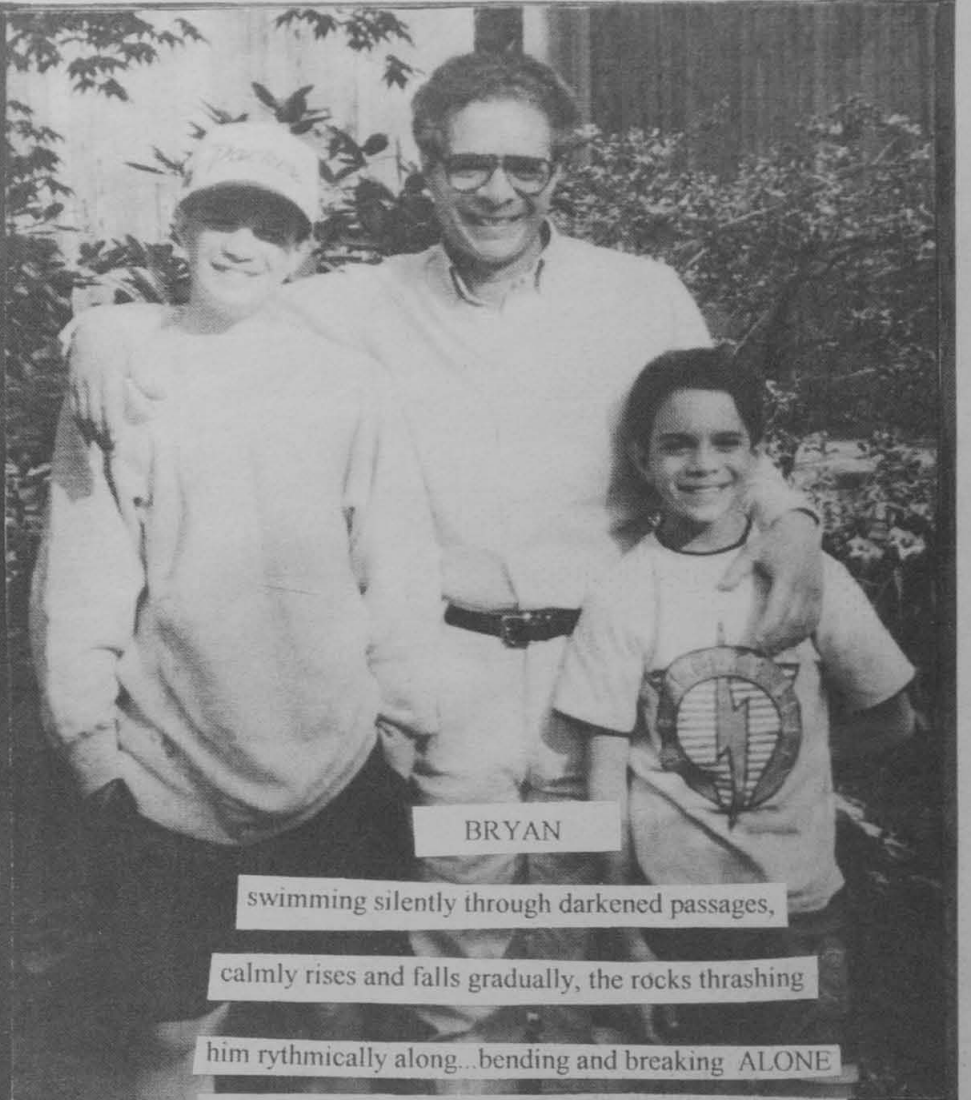
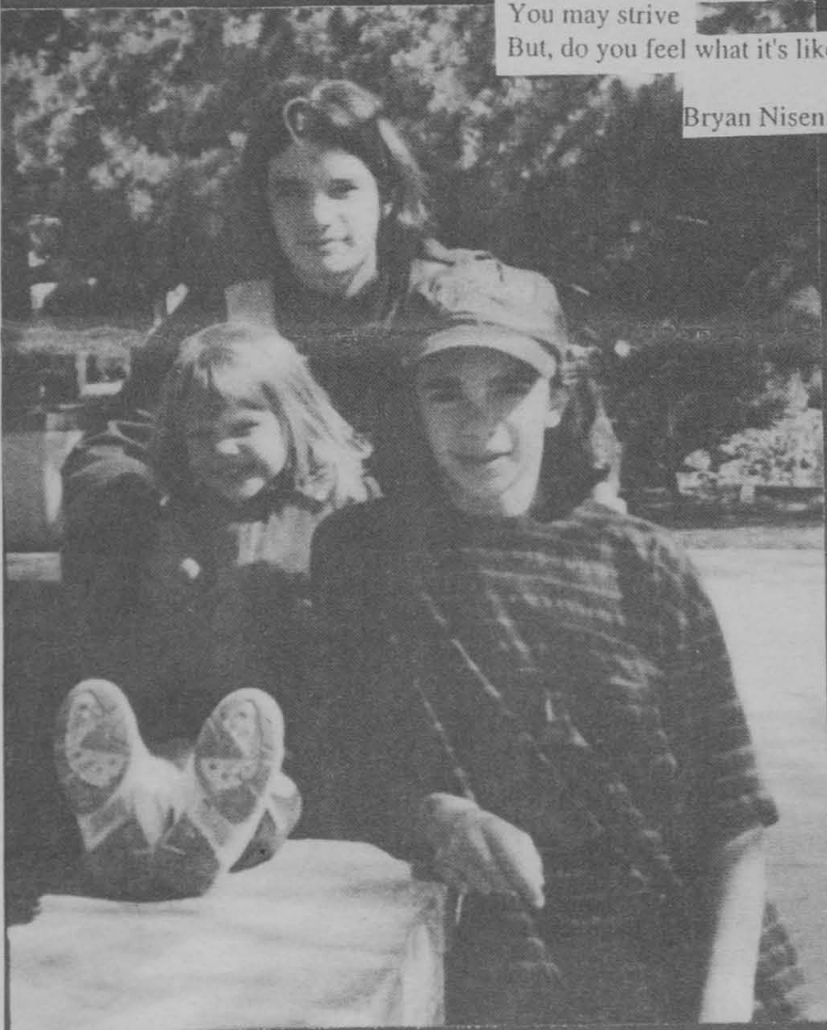
Life

Be you he, be you she,
Life is too much like the sea,
Wave after wave
Emotional slave
Do you know who you are?
Thoughts and feelings
sometimes leave hidden scars.
Can fish see the stars?

Be you he, be you she,
You are not like me.
Variety and diversity
are the only constants I see.
To be alive
is to know your inside.
This is true worldwide.
Do you know who you are?
A fisherman, athlete, movie star?
How do you think?

Be you he, be you she
You may be diligent
You may strive
But, do you feel what it's like to be alive?

Bryan Nisenfeld '96



BRYAN

swimming silently through darkened passages,

calmly rises and falls gradually, the rocks thrashing

him rythmically along...bending and breaking ALONE

looking through hollowed eyes of sailors...He thinks an

old Greck adage to fear three things

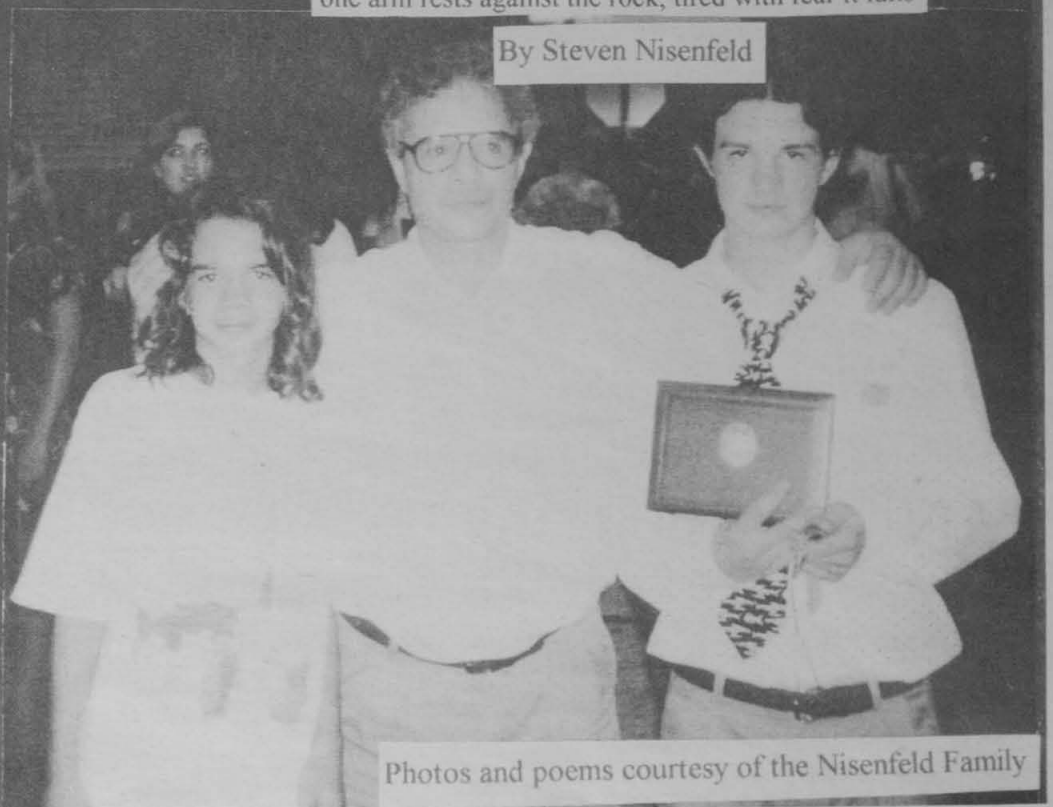
fire woman sea...

there is a silence in decay, he says. Memories are difficult to

realize

one arm rests against the rock, tired with fear it falls

By Steven Nisenfeld



Photos and poems courtesy of the Nisenfeld Family

THIS SEASON LOOKS TO BE THE LAST FOR RWU HOCKEY

Men's ice hockey will be in it's last season at RWU. Players are both shocked and angered by what Athletic Director Bill Baird described as a "philosophical desicion." Many hockey players are left wondering why Baird would cut a team that has had such geat success in the past few years at RWU.

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RWU COMPUTERS GET A FACE-LIFT

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This is a letter Steven Nisenfeld sent to Attorney General Jeff Pine on behalf of his missing son, Bryan Nisenfeld.

On behalf of Bryan, Steven Nisenfeld is asking that the students and the faculty of RWU write to Governor Lincoln Almond and ask that the State Police be given the authority to search and relieve the Bristol Police. Please send requests to:

Governor Lincoln Almond
State House Room 143
Providence, RI, 02903
Dear Mr. Pine,

I am writing about my son, Bryan Nisenfeld who disappeared from the campus of Roger Williams University February 6th, 1997 and whose remains may have washed ashore on Hog Island this past weekend. Of course, Bryan's family and friends are devastated by the discovery. But we are more than disturbed by the absolute lack of investigation conducted by Captain Joseph Da Silva, Bristol Police and sanctioned by Chief Seruba. When I previously spoke to Chris Schaban he informed me the attorney general could not involve their department if there was no possible evidence of foul play, all of that might have changed as we ask that you begin an inquiry into the discovery of remains believed to be those of Bryan Nisenfeld.

Seven torturous months past while the family went basically ignored by the Bristol Police. Often we traveled there on weekends to be turned away because they were not available. I can not tell you how many times Captain Da Silva failed to return phone calls. But we are mainly disturbed by the fact that he operated the entire anemic investigation on the premise that Bryan had run away. Now that theory is awashed in Da Silva's archaic, good-old-boy police process.

We are asking that you enlist whatever services you need to assist the Bristol Police in this investigation. By Da Silva's own words, "...we're not Philadelphia...Bristol doesn't have the equipment. I don't get paid after five o'clock or for traveling outside of Bristol." The family and friends of Bryan Nisenfeld find some peace with his family and involve your office in this investigation.

Thank you,
Respectfully,
Steven Nisenfeld

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



FROM THE HAWK'S EYE

Helpful Hint:

Make sure and support all the upcoming events for the end of October and the beginning of November. Your student leaders are working hard so that you can benefit! Take advantage of all that is offered!

Thanks to the night manager that brought Kelly and I coffee after over nine hours in The Hawk's Eye. It was the best cup of coffee we ever had!!

To the faculty, staff and students at Roger Williams University:

We, The Hawk's Eye Editorial Board would like to extend our sincerest apology to all those who have anticipated The Hawk's Eye release. We had run into a few difficulties with layout and lack of staff to meet the September issue deadline.

We realize that regardless of what roadblocks came our way, we should have produced something tangible to inform the campus on the latest happenings. We, the Editorial Board are aware of our error in taking time to publicize the paper.

Currently, we are working diligently on getting The Hawk's Eye back on schedule to deliver the latest happenings on and off campus. If anyone has any questions, comments or feedback, please feel free to contact us at extension 3229. Thank you for your time and patience.

The Hawk's Eye Editorial Board

Now it is time for the little Editor's note. I wanted to use this one this time to give me sincerest thanks to The Hawk's Eye's advisors. They are patient and eager to help. Ted Delaney and Steve Morgenweck have been God sent these past few weeks. While you (the students and faculty) were waiting for this paper they were in here with us sweating and kicking and screaming!

Thank you Ted and Steve for having patience and energy to deal with this crew...especially me! You two were a great help and we are so lucky to have the two of you on our side! Ted, you know exactly what this takes and are a tremendous asset. Steve, you know just how to quiet the crowd and help us get focused. So, one last time, thank you so much Ted and Steve for all your help and encouragement!

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Remains found near RWU believed to be Nisenfeld's

Carly Kinna & Chris Gifford
Staff Writers

While the state medical examiner has preliminarily identified the remains of a left foot and fibula bone as belonging to Bryan Nisenfeld, the freshman architecture student missing from Roger Williams since February 12, the Portsmouth and Rhode Island State Police continue to search for more of the student's remains.

"Right now we aren't trying to solve any mysteries," said Portsmouth Police Chief Paul Rogers. "We're just searching for more body parts."

The remains of bone were found August 31 on Hog Island, in Portsmouth, by a family who was beach combing. The decomposed foot was clad in a leather-and-canvas hiking boot and wool sock - items that match a description given by Nisenfeld's mother.

Wayne Aldrich, an investigator in the state medical examiner's office, said that they won't be able to determine whether the remains belong to Nisenfeld until they get the results from pending DNA testing. Aldrich said that other physical evidence, including the size of the foot, led them to preliminarily believe that the remains were in fact Nisenfeld's.

"The tests will be conclusive," Aldrich said. "But they could take months to complete."

The testing includes DNA tests where samples of the bone are compared with blood samples taken from Nisenfeld's parents who live in Audubon, N.J. The disappearance of 18-year-old Nisenfeld from the Roger Williams campus spawned a regional investigation involving local and state law enforce-

ment agencies. Their search remained fruitless until the recent discovery of the bones which could put an end to the seven-month-old mystery that has shrouded the Roger Williams community.

Rogers said that the Portsmouth Police, as well as the state police, will continue to search for remains in and around the areas of Hog Island. Using state police boats and search dogs specially trained to sniff the gasses given off by corpses, Rogers said that they'll continue to search as frequently as possible.

"The actual disappearance of Bryan Nisenfeld is being investigated by Bristol Police. It isn't our investigation," Rogers said. "But since the bones were found in our jurisdiction, we are continuing to look for remains."

According to Bristol Police Captain Joseph DaSilva, the disappearance of Nisenfeld is still being regarded as a missing persons case. He did not speculate on whether the case was being considered as either a suicide or a homicide.

Rogers said that the continued search is also being conducted by air with the aid of a helicopter from the Newport Air Park. He said that they'll pay particular attention while searching the southeast corner of Hog Island, an area that is rough with rocks. Rogers also said that they'll check the shore near the former site of a lumber warehouse, located past the Kaiser Tower in Portsmouth. According to Rogers, this area is a key place to search because of the strong currents found there. He said that this area tends to accumulate debris including the remains of people who may have jumped from the Mount Hope Bridge, which is located southeast of the island.

Rogers did not speculate on whether Nisenfeld had jumped from the bridge himself, but assured that the investigation would be thorough.

"We're doing everything possible to locate a body," Rogers said. "We want to put closure to this case, especially for the family."

Willow Hall Residents Remember Bryan Nisenfeld

Shaine Murphy
Staff Writer

"We were as friendly with Bryan as he would let us be with him," said Chris Pagano, a Willow Hall Resident who shared a town house three unit with the missing student. "Everything that he did was with us."

The residents of Bryan's town house last year describe their unit as very close. "Our doors are always open. We would pop into Bryan's room and he would pop into ours," said Pagano. The people who knew him well do not remember him as a complete recluse, but rather someone who liked to laugh with them on occasion. "He did spend a lot of time in his room, but he would hang out with us if we would go and get him," Pagano recalls.

Other members of this unit remember Bryan as being extremely intelligent and creative. He was an architect student who spent a great deal of time in the studio. When he was in the townhouse, music from Beck or Nirvana could be heard coming from his room. "The things that he wrote and drew were brilliant," says Allyson Hawkins who lived directly across the hall from Bryan and shared a bathroom with him. "His attention to detail was amazing." She remembers him drawing murals or sometimes cartoon characters.

Another student, Sarah Holmes, lived directly underneath Bryan. She and others explained that Bryan did not like it here, but he also did not hate it. He wanted to be in Washington, but he made the best of it here. They said that he did not talk about his family a lot; except for his little sister whom he was very close with. "Bryan would call her all the time," they said.

Bryan's roommate left Roger Williams second semester. But prior to his withdrawal, the two students got along great. "The two of them used to plot against Allie across the hall," Pagano said. His friends also remember him "seeing" a girl from Pennsylvania. "He had a few lady friends."

Pagano says that Bryan may have taken his bike with him the day he left Roger Williams. His friends all have their own idea of what may have happened. When asked if he thinks this might be a homicide case, Pagano couldn't say yes, but he couldn't say no either. "He just had to get out of here."

Computers get a face-lift at RWU

Lisa McDonough
News Editor

Information Technology has spent the last month of summer upgrading the computers on campus and costing between \$50,000 and \$65,000.

The CEED building now has a 30 user lab of Pentiums 200mmx., and the Engineering building has the same with Auto CAD, which is computer designs for architects.

The Academic Computer Center received 60 new machines, one \$10,000 color laser printer and one regular printer.

The School of Architecture has the same machines but they now have more memory.

Since the new computers have increased machine performance, teachers and students have the ability to run the latest and greatest software, such as Windows 95.

"Last year a lot of computers broke down but now that the machines have better performance, there should be less

down time," stated Darren Wigley, a work study student at Information Technology.

Due to a severely understaffed department, the upgrade was not the easiest process.

"It was a difficult change but now that they are here, they're 1000% better than the old ones," said Wigley.

"We were at the point that if we didn't make the change, we wouldn't be up to date with the current software," said Larry Pesce, the Computer Network Specialist.

"I think the new computers are great. However, it's going to be a while before the lab is running 100% because there are some bugs conflicting between the softwares," explained Chris Schleich.

"They eliminated one of the Mac labs so it really upsets me. There's only one Mac room and it's a classroom so it's hard to get in there if you have work to do," stated junior communication major, Carly Kinnas. The needed computer upgrade has been well received by the students.

RWU Senior killed oversummer

Shelia-Marie Tassone, 21; dies in head-on crash in Westport on dangerous stretch of road

Beth Lebowitz
Editor-in-Chief

A head-on collision this summer killed RWU student Shelia-Marie Tassone.

The crash occurred on a stretch highway known to be particularly dangerous.

Shelia-Marie Tassone, from Pawtucket, was on her way to her first day of her marine biology internship.

She tried to pass another car on route 88. Tassone, 21, was pronounced dead at Charlton Memorial Hospital in Fall River on June 2, 1997.

The driver of the other vehicle, Veronica Beaulieu, 53, of Westport survived the crash with a broken rib.

No one else was involved. According to the police,

Tassone was passing Beaulieu when she crashed into her Volvo.

Tassone was not wearing her seat belt, Beaulieu was.

The head-on crash occurred on a stretch of highway called "The Hollow", which local residents know as a particularly dangerous stretch of road.

At least five other

barriers that would have prevented Tassone from crossing out of her lane.

Tassone was a graduate of Tolman High School and Our Lady of Consolation School.

She was a marine biology and chemistry major at RWU. As a double major in marine biology and chemistry, her goal was to be the first student to graduate from RWU with the double major and to do it in four years.

Tassone was a two year member of the cross country team, and enjoyed interest in dance and ROTC.

She was described as hard working, bright, fun and full of energy and life.



people have been killed in accidents there. The crash occurred just

"The Hollow . . . five other people have been killed in accidents there"

Hickey, White and Ambrosetti are pronounced new Deans for the fall.

Carly Kinnas
Staff Writer

Roger Williams University has appointed three new deans to preside over the College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Architecture and the newly established School of Justice Studies, while searching for a new dean for the School of Business.

Dr. Thomas Hickey and Steven White, AIA, have been promoted to the position of dean in the School of Justice Studies and the School of Architecture.

Dr. Malcolm Forbes is acting dean of the School of Business. A member of the RWU faculty for three years as a professor of criminal justice, Dr. Thomas Hickey, of Portsmouth, received his J.D. degree from the University of Oregon.

He received his M.A. and Ph.D. from Sam Houston State University, in Texas and his B.A. from Providence College.

President Anthony J. Santoro said that since the criminal justice program already offered so many majors of its own, they deserved their own school rather than being lumped in with the College of Arts and Sciences as in the past.

Collectively, the new program is called the

School of Justice Studies. It's a fun time to be here," Hickey said. "This year we're focusing on improving the quality of the whole criminal justice program."

Hickey said that this year they are also implementing a pre-law course of study and a criminal justice training program as well.

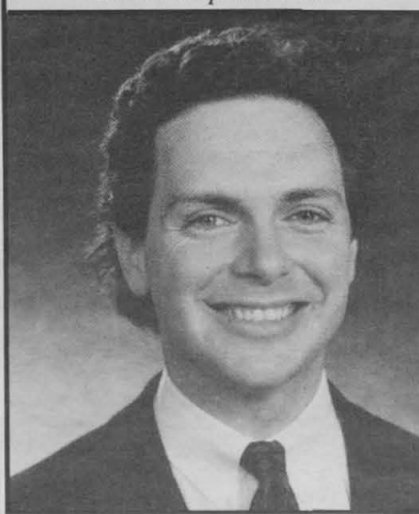
Another member of the

RWU faculty, Steven White, AIA, of Newport, took over the deanship of the School of Architecture from former Dean Raj Saksena, who left the university under the terms of a leave of absence.

Santoro said that Saksena will return at the beginning of next year to again be a full-time member of the faculty.

"Dean White is committed to improving the quality of the already intense architecture program through developing a long-term plan to implement more computer work with the program of studies," Santoro explained.

Dean Stephen White



White, a registered architect, earned his A.B., A.M. and M. Arch. from Washington University. With former dean Dr. Mark Gould taking on the position of director of the new Cen-

ter for Economic and Environmental Development, Dr. Ronald J. Ambrosetti, has taken over as the dean for the College of Arts and Sciences.

Previously an associate dean at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Fredonia, Ambrosetti earned his A.B. from Loyola College in Baltimore, M.D.

This year the School of Business was left without a dean after former Dean Dr. Gary A. Lombardo left the University for personal family reasons.

While Santoro said that he is holding open the opportunity for Lombardo to come back to

the university, there are no plans for him to do so as of yet.

In the meantime, Dr. Malcolm Forbes, the Vice President for Academic Affairs is juggling his schedule, filling in as acting dean.

"There was a definite need for an acting dean," Forbes said. "President Santoro recommended me for the position and

I'm happy to do so."

Forbes has held the position of acting dean three other times in the past at the former School of Social Science, School of Fine Arts and in the School of Engineering.

He said that while he can spend only a limited amount of time at the School of Business, due to his other duties on campus, he is happy to have students come to his office in the administration building if need be.

The process of finding a full-time dean for the School of Business will begin in a few weeks, Forbes said, and a qualified applicant could take over

Dean Ronald J. Ambrosetti



the position as early as January first.

Santoro said that the changes in faculty come at an especially exciting time - in sync with the general growth of the university.

"The vigorous growth of the school is obvious," Santoro said. "We're growing not only quantitatively, but qualitatively as well."

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LISTEN UP STUDENTS!!

I KNOW THAT THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE READING THIS PAPER SAYING, "GEE, I WOULD REALLY LOVE TO WRITE FOR SUCH A QUALITY PAPER, THE HAWKS EYE." SOME OF YOU WHO ARE NOT SAYING THAT, I SAY TO YOU, "SHAME ON YOU!" ANYONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN WRITING GOOD STUFF FOR THE ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT SECTION SUCH AS MOVIE AND CONCERT REVIEWS, RESTAURANT CRITIQUES, CD PREVIEWS, SHORT STORIES, OR WHATEVER ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS, CONTACT ME!! I AM LOOKING FOR WRITERS WHO ARE WILLING TO WRITE WITH ENTHUSIASM. I KNOW YOU PEOPLE ARE OUT THERE SO WHY NOT GET INVOLVED? GIVE KELLY SCAF, THAT WOULD BE ME, A LITTLE RING AT EXT. 3229 AND VOILA, YOU WILL BE A & E WRITER EXTRAORDINAIRE. THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE IS NOV. 2, SO START WRITING.

Dear Abby...Why Me?

Starting in the November issue, there will be a column in the A & E section called, "Why Me?" The column is just like, "Dear Abby," but with a twist. What I am looking for are questions regarding relationship, money, academic and other problems to be submitted to The Hawk's

Eye by Nov. 1. If any student on campus has a question and would love to read a solution, contact me at ext. 3229 a.s.a.p. Remember, you can, "change the name to protect the innocent," so don't be shy. Get your questions in NOW!

It's Your First Year? I Had No Idea

By Margaret J. Berry
The California Aggie
Davis, California

There are only two kinds of people who are happy about going back to class. Half of them spent the summer watching "Dukes of Hazzard" reruns in their underwear and the other half are first-year students.

While humming and skipping down the steps of the Chem building is a pretty sure sign that you're new to this whole college scene, sheer joy at being on campus is by no means the only dead giveaway.

Don't worry if you see a little bit of yourself in this list, all of us have been there.

- You call yourself "basically" a vegetarian, even though you still eat chicken and fish.

- You own several "baby tees" with insightful icons or single-word statements displayed on them and little plastic barrettes are a staple accessory for you.

- You are currently making an attempt to grow facial hair in an utterly misguided quest to appear more mature and attractive to the opposite sex.

something pierced this week.

- You've joined so many clubs you won't have time for homework because your R.A. told you it's a great way to meet people.

- You recently wrote a poem about lifetime transitions that included the word "loneliness."

- You awaken in a lecture hall with your cheek in a puddle of drool because your hall was partying on Sunday night.

- You found a new soulmate... yesterday.

- All of your underwear is pink.

- You avoid eating at the student union because the lines confuse you.

- You think mochas count as coffee.

- You're flunking Chemistry 2A and you don't even know it yet.

- You think RSVP is kinda cool.

- Your roommate and her boyfriend have discovered sex and frequently engage in it while you're asleep.

- You'd be willing to part with some serious cash and possibly an expendable body part for a fake ID.

- You wake up more than an hour before class because you need the grooming time.

THE OTHER PLACE REVEALS FUNKY VIBES



Angela McManamon
staff writer

Three young men dressed in pulled together retro polyester grabbed their instruments and got on stage at The Other Place.

I sat there anticipating how they were going to sound, as I had a sense of an artsy coffee house on the Lower East side of Manhattan.

Then suddenly a contra bass, snare and bass drum, cymbal, high hat, acoustic guitar and harmonica began flowing a sweet melody with a flawless rhythm.

This unique sound was the doing of Jim's Super Big Ego. This band from Boston combines the sounds of folk, pop, acid jazz, and even hip hop into what many people might perceive as funky.

Their songs not only have been born from Jim's creative heart and mind, but his upbeat intense poetry.

Their first song entitled, "She said, he said," gave me a chance to not only feel their style but make a connection.

One of my favorite songs,

"Somebody Cafe," Jim sings about, "how everybody is trying not to be just like everybody." Other songs they performed included, "Cat Named Boogers," and "Cut Off Your Head."

At intermission I got to speak with the drummer, Dillon and the bassist, Kurt.

Both guys were very cool, relaxed and down to earth. Why wouldn't they be when they are in such a hip band playing at RWU?

During intermission, Jim asked the audience to write down two lines of poetry on a napkin. As he gathered the mix of crumbled napkins, he approached the stage.

Accompanied by a mellow beat, Jim proceeded to express the audiences' feelings by combining what they had written and reinterpreting them in a poetic fashion.

Overall, the performance was probably one of the best that I have ever attended at RWU.

Not only was I incredibly impressed, but as I watched them perform and really felt their music, it made me realize that even the most ridiculous lyrics make sense.

RWU Stage Company

Janice Roderick
Stage Company

Stage Company is the campus-wide student run theatrical organization. Over the course of a year, we host roughly ten student directed productions, multiple campus events like Halloween and other special dates, a series of workshops on a variety of subjects.

Our main goal this year is to generate a much closer connection between our department and the rest of campus.

We believe we have a number of resources that could serve other aspects of our community, and we know we could benefit from increased interaction.

One particular opportunity would be our workshop series, offered on alternating Saturdays.

The constant need for new and creative ways to advertise all that we do is a concern, so if you have any thoughts, we'd love to hear them.

If you dare to enter the haunted house on the hill, we promise you won't be disappointed.



- Your answering machine message is about five minutes long. It includes at least one sentence spoken in unison with your roommate, a 30-second musical interlude, and a

reference just obscure enough so that you, your roommates and your intimate friends will think it's hilarious and the rest of the world will think you're a psychopath.

- You type up your notes after class and no one's paying you to do it.

- You honestly believe the guy you're chatting with online when he says he looks like "that guy who plays Superman on the new show."

- You spend more time writing e-mail than you spend sleeping.

- You have pretended to be drunk so you could get a ride home with Topsy Taxi.

- You have pretended to be drunk.

- You rarely cut class for the first few weeks because you're afraid somehow your parents will find out.

- You think the fact that there's a creek running through campus is "really cool!"

- You find yourself doing errands in groups of five or more, on a weekly basis.

Student leaders elected

compiled by Senate
Hawk's Eye staff

Freshman Class:
124 Freshman voted

Brian Langois elected President
Kelly Carr Vice President
Katie Bohlin Secretary

Junior Class:
45 Juniors voted

Fritzie Charne Secretary

Senior Class:
81 Seniors voted

Melissa Lovejoy Secretary

Student Senate:
250 students voted

Amy Hunt and Dylan Thmason

97'-98' Student Senators Chosen

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Senior Dena Castruicone was elected President of Senate. Jennifer Maursky, a senior is Vice President of Senate. Katherine Kolek, a senior holds the position of Secretary of Senate. Senior Mandy Butterworth is the Treasurer of Senate as well as head of the Finance Committee. Michael Baron, a sophomore, Jennifer Camac, a junior, and Sandy Medeiros, a sophomore, help to make up the Finance Committee. Melissa Gidden a sophomore, is the head of the Student Affairs Committee. Melissa Murphy, a senior, Kelly Richardson a sophomore, and Andrew Firmin a junior all are in the Student Affairs Committee. Sara Gusinde, a senior is head of the Security and Safety Committee. Sandra MacCue, a junior is head of the Environmental Action Committee. All the Senators want to see more involvement on the part of the student body. President Castruicone said, "I want the Senate to become more visible so students know we exist for them. Our door is always open to anyone."



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Commuters in action (CIA) gets underway

Lisa McDonough
News & Features Editor

The Department of Student Life has spent most of the summer planning and structuring the Commuter Center, which is located in Unit 9 of Maple Hall.

The Center includes a T.V. lounge, a study lounge, two small conference rooms, a locker room, a microwave, and a fridge. In case of emergencies, three rooms are available for overnight stays.

Because commuters do not spend a lot of time on campus, most of them get overlooked.

"Commuters have a hard time with campus involvement. I hope that the Center will improve their standings with the university," stated Jen Cope, the Director of the Commuter Center.

Jonathan Bashford, the R.A. for the Center knows exactly what it's like to be a commuter. He commuted his first two years and was selected as the R.A. for the Center this year.

"I've had a lot of experience with living on my own and I especially know the problems and issues that we face as commuters."

Another aspect to the Center's creation is the empty space due to low enrollment.

"I was on a long drive home

from Pennsylvania and it just occurred to me. Using the empty space for commuters seemed perfect," said Richard Stegman, Director of Student Life.

The Commuter Center is a spot where commuters can feel a sense of community, meet friends, and have a little niche. It's also there to assist with questions and concerns through its organization, the C.I.A., Commuters In Action.

The committee meets once

"Commuters have a hard time with campus involvement..."

Jen Cope

a week and addresses commuter issues and campus involvement.

At the beginning of each meeting a raffle ticket will be handed out and at the end, a winner will be drawn. He or she will win a parking permit that allows him to park anywhere on campus for a whole week.

"I really want to emphasize the C.I.A. and the raffle because I think it's a great reason to visit the Center," stated Bashford.

Since commuters don't

have as many resources available, as RWU residents do, there will be several programs throughout the year for the commuters.

"I'm hoping to put on programs called Coffee Brakes where we can bring in faculty to talk about various topics. For example, we may get someone from Career Services to come in and give a resume writing workshop," said Jen Cope.

In the Commuter Center there is the Core Peer Tutoring Center.

"I think it's wonderful that we can incorporate two important functions being side by side and sharing a common area," stated Laura Choinere, Director of the Academic Resource Center and the Core tutoring coordinator.

"Many people just aren't aware of it yet, but the number of people who come in is growing slowly," said Bashford.

According to Stegman, ideas of a commuter center have been tossed around in the last couple of years.

"We've had a few ideas running through our minds but they just never got off the ground. Today we really want commuters' input so we can adapt our Center to their needs and have a successful year."

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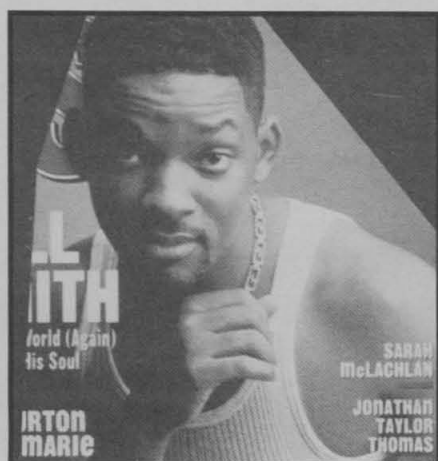
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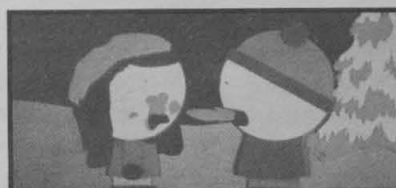


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Lilith Fair Rocks Country

Maclachlan brings female artists to new level

Kelly Scafariello
A&E Editor

This summer, The Lilith Fair, a sold out, rocking, all female concert toured the country taking it by storm.

For all those living under a rock, the Lilith Fair was a concert containing all female artists that was conceived by Sarah Maclachlan.

Maclachlan, creator of the hits, "Good Enough," "Possession," and her recent hit, "Building a Mystery," decided to initiate a tour that did not follow the traditional male concerts.

When I say, "male concerts," I am talking about the Horde Tour and Lollapalooza, which targeted male bands.

While targeting male bands such as, Blues Traveler and back when they were popular, Green Day it slighted the talented female artists with loyal followings.

Maclachlan, who finally got sick of seeing the pattern of male concerts decided to do something about the status quo.

She contacted some other prominent female performers and then the rest is a mystery, and then the rest is a mystery, and then the rest is a mystery. Actually,

it was just the beginning of something great, a fresh change that reached those neglected loyal fans of female artists making the Lilith Fair a phenomenon.

Maclachlan teamed up with such performers as, Tracy Chapman, Shawn Colvin, Indigo Girls, Paula Cole, Jewel and Fiona Apple...just to name a few.

Being at the concert first hand, it was incredible. The concert was more than just sitting down and listening the traditional way.

Maclachlan decided to initiate a tour that did not follow the traditional male concerts

The concert began at 4 PM and lasted to about 11:30. The way to describe the setting was a big party with all your friends.

Some in attendance sat calmly on there blanket smoking there cigarettes, others danced around with anyone as they sang to "Criminal" by

Apple. Many fans walked continuously though the concert.

I was impressed with the quality of the individual performer. Songs were clear and penetrating, just as I would hear on a CD.

For example, as I watched Chapman on stage with her dreads, singing the hit, "Fast Car" I could feel the emotion exuding from her through her voice and intense play on her guitar.

With sold out concerts, plenty of revenue from ticket sales and high praises from national magazines and newspapers, Sarah Maclachlan's Lilith Fair wrapped up the success in late August.

For all those female artist fans who missed the concert, have no fear because Lilith Fair Part II will be coming your way next summer.

Maclachlan was so pleased with the outcome of the concert that she has already contacted female artists such as Sheryl Crow for the next tour.

The next tour, Maclachlan again plans to have top notch performers which will lead Lilith to many years of success.

The Lilith Fair is far from "building a mystery," but rather a step closer to becoming a legend.

Everyone can get an erection at Road Kill

Donna Plasson
Staff Writer

The infamous Road Kill Cafe opened another restaurant this May on Long Wharf Road in Newport.

"There's free creamer with every coffee," says Erica, an enthusiastic blonde manager, "and free toilet paper in all the bathrooms."

The first Road Kill opened in Greenville, Maine in 1992. Since then, locations have spread rapidly or rabidly, depending on your taste, throughout New England.

Newport's Road Kill maintains a signature "open door" atmosphere, where almost anything goes. For instance on any given night Scott, one of the bartenders, can be found standing on the bar in sporty boxers playing name that tune with the patrons.

While Burt his confidant, plays the straight man, and judges "best behind" contests.

The Road Kill is always looking for new victims to come in and try an erection.

The other night I watched five seemingly mild mannered elementary school teachers lose their respectable facades, after three rounds of erections, and proceed to join the wait staff in abusing other customers.

What the Road Kill is all about is loosening up, especially in Newport, where the pretension in some restaurants is knee deep.

People come in to the Road Kill expecting a good time, a laid back time, and of course some mild harassment.

If you're the type of person who waits impatiently for your server to bring you a refill, or to stand quiet and serious while they take your order, don't bother coming to the Road Kill.

If you are secure enough to walk to the soda machine and get your own, and enjoy a good razzing, feel free to stop by, their door is always open to new casualties.

Every Sunday is "Study Night," and cheating is of course encouraged. Bring a valid college ID, and get a free appetizer.

These month festivities will include, Twister contest on Tuesday, October 21, with end of the month play-offs on October 28.

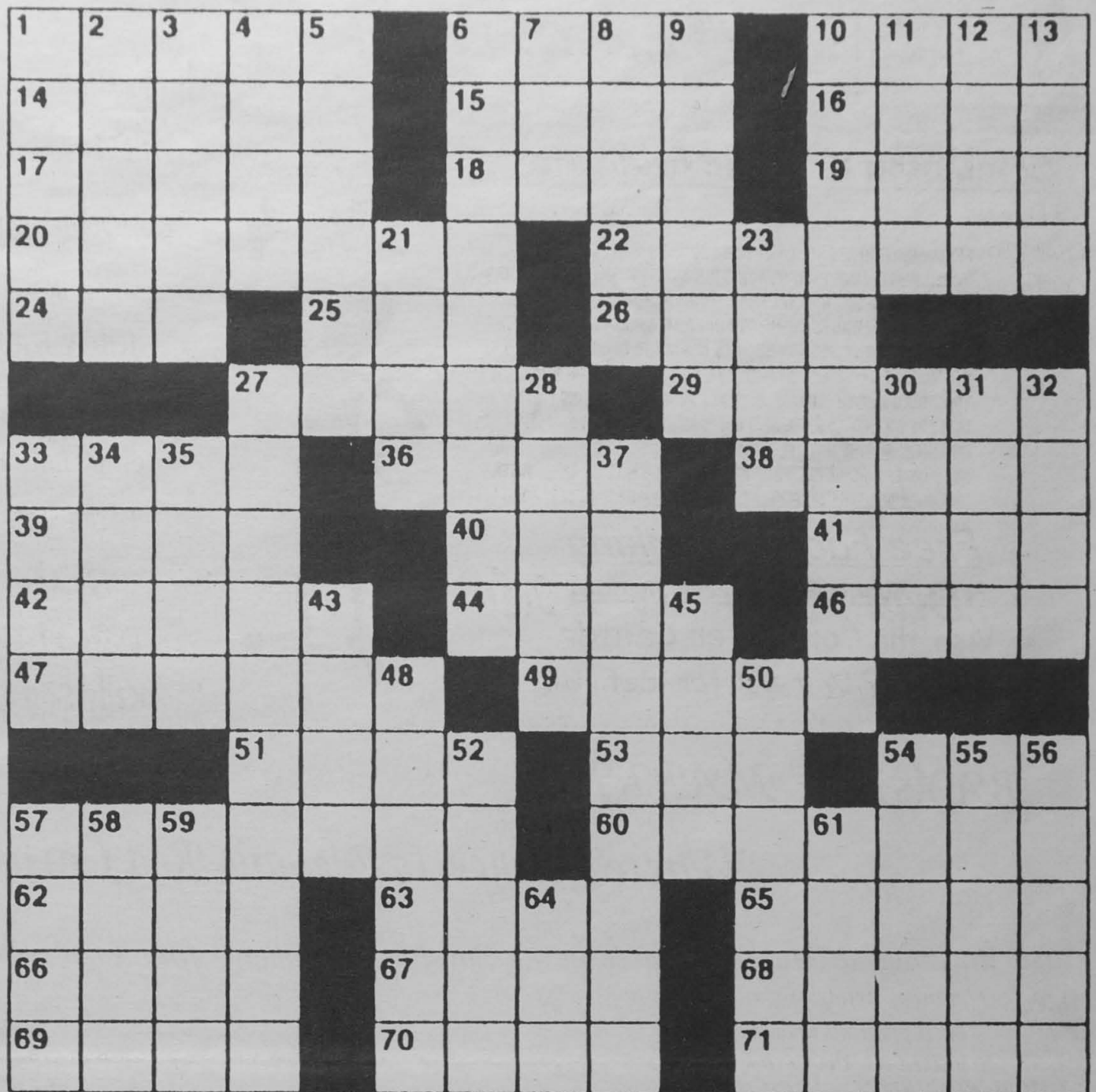
Other events include, Moose Call contests, and the extremely popular Name That Tune, with Scott. Winners receive free appetizers.

THE Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Job
- 6 Pitcher
- 10 Diminutive suffix
- 14 Type style
- 15 Fashion
- 16 Picture of a kind
- 17 Prevent
- 18 Chick's cry
- 19 River in England
- 20 Attorney —
- 22 Good-luck
bringers
- 24 Upperclassmen:
abbr.
- 25 Conceit
- 26 Tennis great
- 27 Emerald
- 29 Sluggish
- 33 Sported
- 36 Countless years
- 38 Heavy wood
used in
cabinetwork
- 39 In the center of
- 40 Map abbr.
- 41 — Boleyn
- 42 Pearly material
- 44 Of that kind
- 46 Hardy character
- 47 Walks
- 49 Condition
- 51 Biting insect
- 53 Paved wav:
- 54 — de deux
- 57 Pardoned
- 60 Something left
over
- 62 Fiendish
- 63 Opposer
- 65 Ship of 1492
- 66 Freedom from
worry
- 67 Midday
- 68 Senior
- 69 Winter vehicle
- 70 Yuletide item
- 71 Peruses



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DOWN

- 1 Steep rocks
- 2 Remain
suspended
in air
- 3 Portents
- 4 Uncommon
- 5 Part of dinner
- 6 Businessmen
- 7 Sorrow
- 8 Watery swelling
- 9 Meal
- 10 Make more
severe
- 11 Musical group
- 12 Sour
- 13 Watches
- 21 City in India
- 23 Loafer
- 27 Unkempt
- 28 Water lily
- 30 Corn bread
- 31 Hotels
- 32 Colors
- 33 Be without
- 34 Mr. Sharif
- 35 Paddy plant
- 37 A fruit
- 43 Best or Ferber
- 45 Privileged one
- 48 Learned one
- 50 Mood
- 52 Pavarotti, e.g.
- 54 Zoo animal
- 55 Put money in
the pot
- 56 Twinklers

- 57 Charges for
professional
services
- 58 Ellipse
- 59 Go up
- 61 World's longest
river
- 64 Shoe part

THE Crossword

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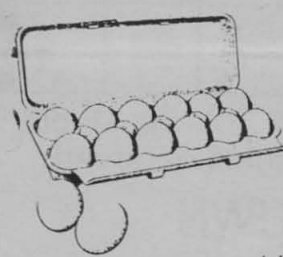
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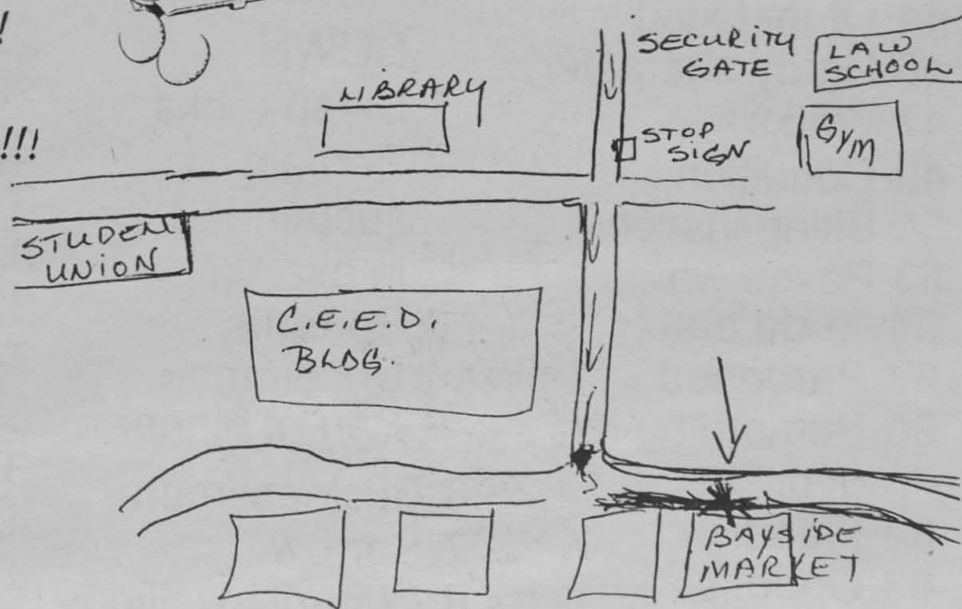
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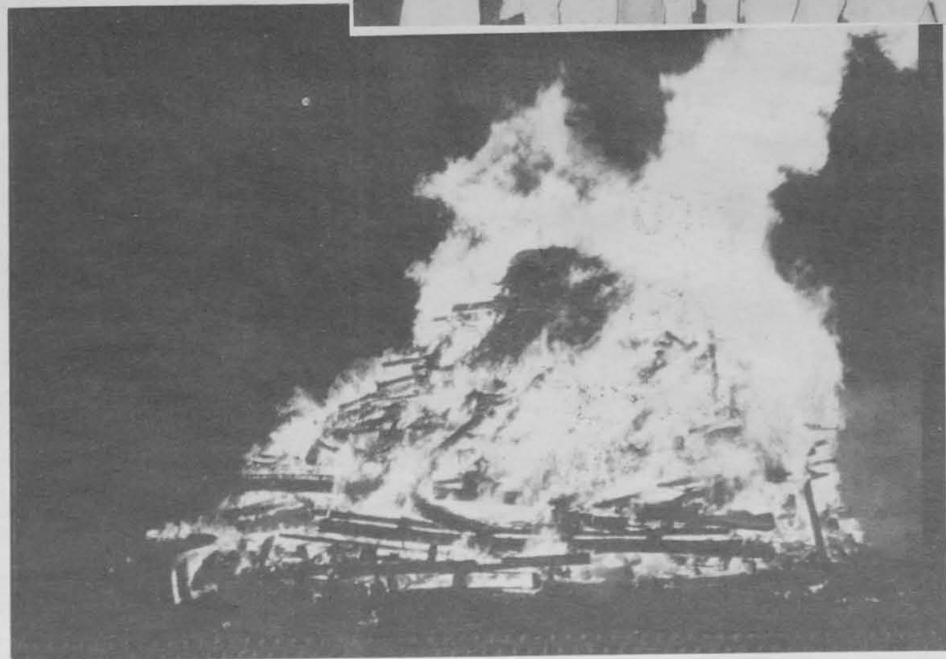
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Screeching Hawks Get a Little Rowdy



Women's Volleyball

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the game. Toni Pratt, a freshman had a great debut with 15 assists and eight digs.

The first loss for the team was handed by Coast Guard who is ranked #1 in New England. Saturday, the Lady Hawks held their invitational tournament that included teams: Western New England, Regis, Wentworth, Mass Maritime, Anna Maria and Plymouth State College.

RWU made it to the finals with the exceptional play against PSU. "The game was a test of our ability and mental toughness," commented Scafariello. She continued to state, "We had an incredible comeback. We were down two games when we realized now was the time to turn our play and start to talk again." The Lady Hawks fought their way back to tie up the games 2-2. The fifth game went down to the wire with PSU winning it. The Hawks played well throughout the day despite the outcome.

Lebowitz was again on her offensive game with powerful spikes along with key serving. Sophomore transfer, Kristin Warren played relentless defense as well as powerful offense to help wear down PSU. Freshmen Kelly Spang played aggressive balls at the net,

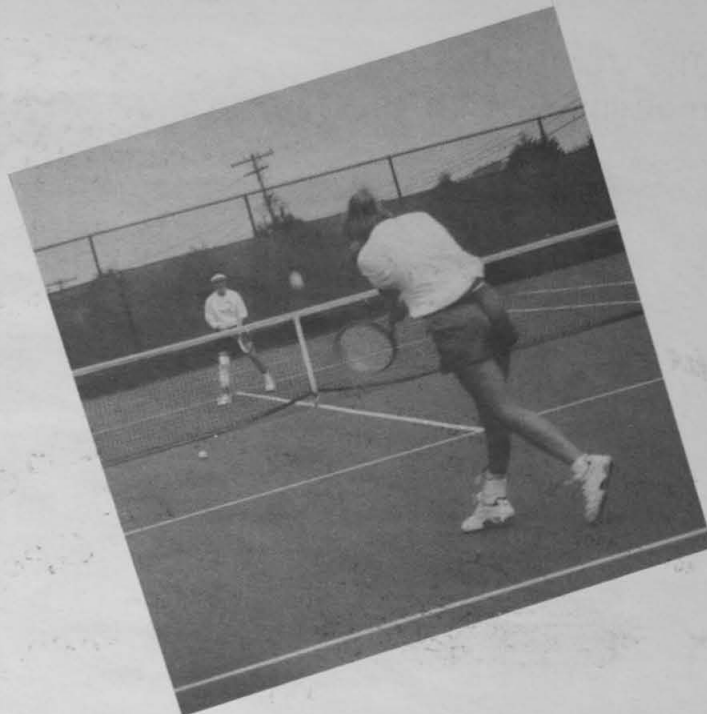
which helped her rack some kills for the Hawks. Defensive stars, Kathy Kolek a senior, and Amanda Faist a junior, helped to tame other teams. Both Kolek and Faist played major roles for stopping other team hits. Junior, Kiera Barilla played well in the middle, helping the women gain some

"The game was a test of our ability and our mental toughness."

— Kelly Scafariello

points. Brilla also contributed with a few service aces. Pratt and Scafariello were selected for the RWU invitational All Tournament team.

With the hard work from the players and dedication of the coaches, the Hawks will be nothing but successful.



S P O R T S

Hockey squad gets checked Baird declares this season is the last

Donna Zakszewski
Sports Editor

The RWU athletic department has decided to end the ice hockey program, citing financial reasons.

The decision, which was made at the end of August would take effect at the completion of the upcoming season.

"We have done the best job to evaluate all of the sports and to see where they are headed," said Bill Baird, Director of Athletics.

Ice hockey has no on campus facility, and high expenses. Other expenses are equipment, transportation fees. The rink time is hard to get because other teams are also using the facility. The only time the team gets is dinner hour.

Furthermore, the cost to rent what Baird calls "the old and cold Portsmouth Abbey" was \$130 an hour, which came out

to \$1,600 per week.

Because of the rink's distance from campus, the team has often found it hard to get the students there for support.

"In a national study done on Division III, we noted that out of 352 schools, only 59 of them offered ice hockey. Right now RWU has 18 varsity sports and the national average for a Division III school is 12 varsity sports. With the funding we have and with inflation it is hard to treat all the teams well. It would be more beneficial to have less sports but cater to them on a higher level," said Baird.

Ex-coach Don Armstrong, who was with the Hawks for the past 10 years, retiring before he knew that this would be their finale, was fuming.

"It is a very unfortunate decision and hockey doesn't deserve this fate," said Armstrong.

New coach, Kevin Matson, was also angry.

"The timing for telling us

was poor judgement on their part," said Matson. "This was such a surprise...we were shocked. The department should have let the kids know sooner...the timing was horrible." Players were left wondering what to do.

"This was such a shock, and I hope it had nothing to do with our bad reputation from the past...I will be transferring because of this to somewhere with hockey," said sophomore Jeffrey Geary.

Other players want to finish strong.

"I am looking forward to a good season," said senior Matt Grieve.

"This was not an easy decision, the full time members along with President Santoro had to make a philosophical decision," added Baird.

Matson said he's not completely giving up hope for a reversal. "I think there is a light at the tunnel," he said. "I want to give them a good year."

Youth Movement for Lady Hawks

Donna Zakszewski
Sports Editor

A very young women's soccer team is off to a winning record after six games, the most recent win against Nichols College.

"We have a very young team this season... there are only two seniors and three juniors, and we are gonna try the best we can," said coach Frank Kowalick, who has been the head coach since 1990.

The Tri-captains are senior Ann Marie Dlugos and Juniors Erin Betourney and Lisa Leon.

"I think we have a lot of potential this year...we play together well and there is good chemistry flowing," said Betourney.

In their first game against Johnson & Wales University, the Lady Hawks were victorious by a 3-0 score. Betourney led the offense with two goals and sophomore Karen Kazarosian added a goal and an assist. Lisa Leon and Cathy



Erin Betourney (right)

McClellan added an assist apiece. Freshman Goalie Alicia Marques made six saves in earning her first shut victory of the season. At press time, Marques notched her second shutout.

"We are a very hard working team," said Dlugos. We have an inner strength that keeps us positive, and let's us take everything as a learning experience. The new conference are in is much tougher than last year," she said.

There are only two more home games left. Most of their games are away this season. But they Lady Hawks are going to "stay positive and focused" like their Tri-captains.

Women's Tennis

Donna Zakszewski
Sports Editor

The women's tennis team took its first win of the year over Nichols College.

"It was our first win of the season, and we are all very excited," said sophomore Rebecca Adams.

"I think participating in a sport in college is really important because it helps with breathing, confidence, and keeps them mentally alert."

The women's Tennis team is having their problems - off the court.

Despite winning their first match of the season, Earnst is having problems motivating her players. Earnst, in her second season coaching has lost the respect of her players, and a rift has developed.

The first is the lack of motivation and support, her players said.

"It is like she really isn't part of the team," said senior captain Sara Gusinde of Earnst. "She doesn't teach enough new techniques."

"We get our support from each other," said Adams.

"There is good comradery among the team members," senior Tara Girouard said.

Men's Soccer



New coaching staff elevates Women's Volleyball program



Kelly Scafariello
A&E Editor

The RWU women's volleyball team started the season 2-0 against the high performance teams, Clark University and Colby Sawyer College. Under the reigns of the new coaching duo, Cheryl Bayuk and Ben Heroux, the team's focus is a strong play and mental toughness.

Bayuk, first time head coach, grew up in Warren, RI and went to school at Rutgers University in New Jersey. At Rutgers she played volleyball and then was assistant coach. She was in search for a coaching job for a

few years. When she heard about the opening at RWU, she applied immediately. "Division III didn't matter to me. I am so impressed with RWU's growth, especially academically in the past few years. The school has a beautiful campus and so much to offer to all the students," stated Bayuk. Words cannot describe how happy I am to have this position.

Heroux, first college coaching, is a graduate of RWU's class of ninety-three. He played for the men's team and it lead him to be captain his senior year. He commented, "I like it when the drills and hard work we do at practice pay off in a

game." Heroux also added, "the players have the most positive attitude!"

The Lady Hawks opened the season with Clark University. The victory took place in three games: 15-6, 15-13, 16-14 in front of screaming fans. Beth Lebowitz, a junior, was on top of her game with 11 kills and eight digs, Jennifer Abrams, CO-captain and senior had 15 assists, five kills and eight digs. Kelly Scafariello, CO-captain and junior had four service aces, nine kills and seven digs, Katie McGrath, junior had a career high with 18 digs. Jenn Donnell, junior, had 12 digs for

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