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# THE HAWK'S EYE

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## DNA expert Dr. Henry Lee to speak at Commencement

**John W. Curtin**  
Staff Writer

On May 16th, over 500 seniors will walk in graduation, ending their college careers. For many, this day will be bittersweet because they will leave friends behind but will carry memories forever. For others, this day just doesn't seem to be coming fast enough.

One thing is for certain, graduation day will be a memory to cherish for graduates, their families and friends.

Starting at 9:30 a.m., President Anthony Santoro, a procession of administrators, faculty, distinguished guests, and most importantly graduates will walk to the graduation tent.

At 10:00 a.m. President Santoro will officially begin the ceremonies, which should last around an hour and a half. Speaking at this year's ceremony will be President Santoro, Senior Class

President Chuck Booth, President of the Honors Society Christopher Perry, Chairman of the Board Ralph Papitto, and this year's guest speaker.

Guest speaking at this year's ceremony is famed DNA expert Dr. Henry Lee, who gained national attention due to his testimony in the O.J. Simpson trial. Dr. Lee has spoken at RWU before, and according to Dave Gingerella, the ceremony's coordinator, "I think Dr. Lee is going to be a great speaker for the graduates to remember."

"This year's ceremony will not be the same as those in the past, however. For starters, students who are 18 credits or less short of their graduation requirements, have been given the option of walking with this year's class.

Mr. Gingerella stated, "This allows students who will accumulate their final credits next semester the opportunity to walk with this year's class as opposed to waiting until next May. We



DNA expert Dr. Henry Lee

feel that participating in the graduation ceremony is important and this allows them the opportunity to do it now."

Another change is that when graduates walk across the stage to receive their degree, they will be given a certificate of accomplishment that is the same size as the official degree (Because finals end the day before graduation, final grades will not be ready. Graduates will receive their diplomas sometime in July).

In years past, a similar document was given to students, but was much smaller than the actual degree. This change will help to make the many pictures taken seem more authentic.

Yet another change to this year's ceremony will be that after the ceremony are over, each school will have its own reception back on the main campus area. This will allow graduates to celebrate with

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President Anthony Santoro



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## Mt. Hope Bridge is toll-less

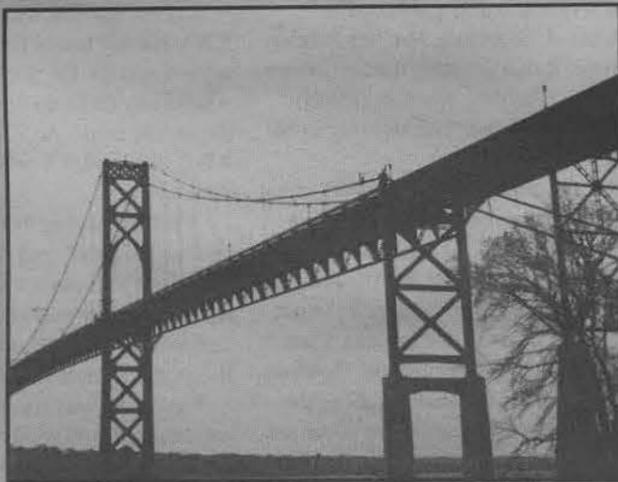
**Courtney Mulligan**  
Contributing Writer

Whether you have done it twice a day or once in a while you have done it at least once, you have sacrificed thirty cents or \$4.00 for a roll of tokens to cross the Mount Hope Bridge.

On May 1, 1998, the toll fee tacked onto the bridge was put to rest. With the toll no longer in effect, no one will ever have to search for thirty cents to cross ever again.

To college students this may sound like a great way to start saving some extra money, but to the toll collectors they see nothing but grief.

From the perspective of the average person crossing the bridge, it may appear as the workers have an easy job. Within a shift exceeding eight hours, they face problems that require a patience level that many of us would lose within a few minutes.



As you drive you are aware that thirty cents needs to be placed in the basket in order for you to cross the bridge.

"People have honked their horns with such anger when they have deposited two or three tokens into the basket and have not moved.

When I ask them why they threw in so many before asking for assistance they look at me like I am a wise ass.

They make it difficult for themselves," said eleven year employee, Everett Medeiros.

Even though they tell people the same thing- "Thirty cents in the basket," they do it with as much enthusiasm from the first to the last person they meet.

Some people while stopped for the brief seconds it takes to get change, are curious as to where the thirty

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## President Santoro gets 'Jiggy with it'



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## Student Senate President says 'thank you & goodbye'

With graduation just around the corner, I have been thinking a lot about how much I have truly enjoyed my time at Roger Williams University. Every aspect of my experience here has been extremely valuable and I want to make sure that I thank those who have been there for me along the way.

During my past three years here, in addition to receiving a top-notch education, I have had the wonderful opportunity to take part in many different areas of RWU's community. I have also met many people along the way who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to help me. I realize that my college career would not have been successful without the support, guidance, and encouragement from these people and I would like to thank those faculty, staff, administrators, advisors, and fellow students.

Specifically, I would like to thank Karen Haskell, Steve Morgenweck, Michael Cunningham, Mary Ann Quinn, President Anthony Santoro, Thomas Wright, Roland Chase, Raymond Cordeiro, Elaine Squatrito, and the Student Senate, especially Jennifer Maursky, Mandy Butterworth, and Kathy Kolek. You have all helped me discover the true potential of a college education. Thank you for everything.

**-Dena M. Casticone,  
 Student Senate President-**

## The Editorial Board wishes you a great summer!



The Editorial Board would like to personally thank Jackie Binette, John Curtin, Alisa Marx and Julie Smith with all their help throughout the past semester. They have all contributed to **The Hawk's Eye** in so many ways.

Thank you for your stories, the typing and most of all the support. We want to wish you the best of luck in all that you do post-graduation. We are sure that Jackie, John, Alisa and Julie will have much success.

## Sports Editor addresses Sabrina Rubin's article, "Searching For..."

Before I begin, I would like to take this opportunity to offer my deepest condolences on behalf of myself, **The Hawk's Eye** and the entire Roger Williams University student body to the friends and family of Bryan Nisenfeld.

In the past few months, RWU has been under attack for the handling of the Nisenfeld tragedy. Most notably was a recent article published in Boston Magazine titled, "Searching For," by Sabrina Rubin. In the article, Rubin accuses the administration of RWU as being "Eager to wash its (RWU) hands of the whole matter" and "Not wanting to be bothered with him."

The article goes on further accusing RWU of not letting Mr. Nisenfeld on campus and taking down missing posters of Bryan allowing not to alarm prospective students and tarnish the RWU's image.

Before I go further let me first say that I can not testify to the credibility of these accusations. I am not stating whether they are true or untrue. However, I will say that some of these accusations about the administration are hearsay and seem to be taken out of context.

Ms. Rubin makes further accusations about specific RWU administrators in the article; such as admissions director Lynn Fawthrop. In the article Fawthrop is accused of telling tour guides to say Bryan Nisenfeld was at home and fine, if asked by a prospective student of parent. Lynn Fawthrop denies ever saying anything of the sort.

Most of the accusations that I have stated above only slander the faculty and the university itself, with no hard evidence to support such strong accusations.

The article in Boston Magazine goes further then personal attacks on individuals but also attacks the school as a whole. Rubin classifies RWU as "A School for the privileged." She states that the parking lots "Gleam with new cars; dorm rooms are stuffed with stereo equipment and big screen televisions." The article goes on further to say that

"Weekends at RWU means ski trips as well as getting high in front of cable, and that forty percent of its students drop out before getting a degree. RWU is one of those rare places that looks as good in real life as it does in the brochure and the University has a reputation of a less competitive school, an image that the University has been trying to change."

Let me say first that all of these stereo types of RWU are not true. I feel that I can speak safely for myself and for the majority of students at RWU, when I say that I do not come from family money, as the article contends. A large majority of students at RWU come from a middle or working class family structure.

I am not saying that the university does not have its share of privileged students, it does, like all private university's. However, a small minority should not stereotype the majority. I know personally many students that depend on financial aid and loans, like Bryan did, so they can attend this University.

I am in no way trying to make light or take anything away from Bryan Nisenfeld's death. His death is a horrible tragedy. I feel that President Santoro was correct when he said "In a small community such as ours, any loss or misfortune is felt by all of us".

However, with respect to the parents of Bryan Nisenfeld, they are not happy with the University's handling of the loss of their son. They feel that the University disassociated itself from the case and tried not to let it tarnish the school's image.

I can not, as I stated before testify to the accuracy of the accusations made in the Boston Magazine article. However, the fact of the matter is that Bryan's parents, Steven Nisenfeld and Marianne Brown are not happy with how the administration of RWU reacted and handled the disappearance of their son and this should not be the case.

**-Richard Cabelus, Sports Editor-**

# Bridge

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cents goes. It is divided up between salaries, maintenance, road repairs and electric bills.

Although it may appear to be more of a relief now that the toll has been terminated, the bridge has helped more than it has harmed. Perhaps the main duty is to stagger the flow of traffic from Bristol to Portsmouth. Once the toll is stopped it is most likely that cars will fly across which bridge workers see as "an open door for tragedy."

A traffic light as well as signs posting the speed limit and no pedestrian crossing are planned to be put up. However, even then the time in which this is all done and the question of whether or not they will be obeyed is too much of a risk for people to face.

Medeiros admitted to purchasing 10 sympathy cards that he intends on sending to the governor when the tragedies occur. Medeiros, who will be transferring his services to the Newport bridge plans on driving up through Fall River thinking it will be a quicker and safer drive.

Along with the danger of traffic fatalities, the sentimental aspects the surrounding residents encounter will disappear as well. Because of the termination of the toll the bridge will no longer be able to maintain the electrical expenses, including the beautiful sight of the bridge being lit on particular holidays.

Nobody knows for sure whether the scheduled May 1 change will become a benefit or a mistake. Clearly from one side it is the beginning of tragedy. If so will the community be prepared?

# Commencement

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their classmates and also allow families and friends to join them in the celebration faster. and their families and friends, Saturday May 16th will be a day of happiness, celebration, and a doorway to the future, as well as a day of memories and maybe even some tears. But one thing for sure, it will be a day to remember for a lifetime.

# Hillel speaks out

**Alisa Marx**  
Staff Writer

Hillel is the Jewish organization on campus, and we were celebrating Holocaust Remembrance Day on Wednesday evening. We lit six candles in memory of those people who died in the Holocaust and they needed to stay lit for 24 hours.

We left them in front of the library. These candles were supposed to stay in the quad until the next evening. Security told us they would look after them because we are not permitted to have them in the residence halls.

At around 7:30 the next morning, one of the Hillel members saw the candles and they were in the same spot we put them in. Another member walked by the library a little after 8 a.m. and the candles were no place to be seen. It appears somebody has taken the candles and we do not know who it was because we did not see them.

Please try and help us solve this problem so this does not occur next year. Unless we are given permission to light the candles in the residence halls or some other designated area on campus, we may run into the same situation next year.

We feel it is not right that we could not mourn in peace without having other people destroying our vigil. As Hillel, we just want to have a way of commemorating this and other holidays without having things stolen.

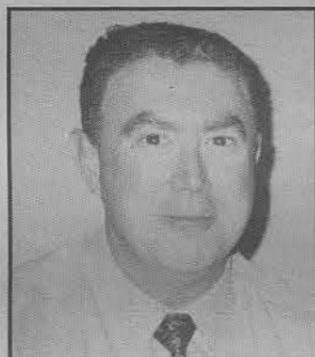
# Maple Hall to undergo renovations in summer

**Matt Barber**  
Staff Writer

Be prepared to be seeing double in the residence halls when you return to campus next fall...at least with Maple and Cedar Hall anyway. That's because Maple will be undergoing a major facelift while most students are gone for their summer vacation.

Extensive work will begin immediately after commencement and will continue for much of the summer.

According to Matt White,



**Richard Stegman**

Director of Facilities Management at RWU, the exterior of Maple will be tan and olive green, an exact match to that of Cedar Hall, which was renovated last summer.

The renovation of Maple Hall is part of a five year plan implemented by President Santoro to improve the condition of the residence halls and other university buildings.

Beginning with the renovation of the Almeida apartment complex and continuing with such projects as the new addition to the Administration building and the construction of the C.E.E.D. building, Maple is the final installment of this five year plan.

"The building is 30 years old," White said. "We have a commitment to renovate the older buildings and improve the quality of life for students."

Aside from the construction of Unit 14, which was renovated several years ago, a project of this magnitude has not been performed on Maple since it opened in the fall of 1968. According to White, the project will run in excess of \$1 million.

Along with the new exterior siding, the roof will be totally replaced as well. All walls and stair towers will be repainted, room closets and furniture will be completely refinished, new windows will be installed in individual rooms and in the lounges, and new doors will be put in at all entrances, which will be adorned with brand new

canopies and a callbox.

Professionals at the Department of Student Life are pleased and enthusiastic about the work to be done. "We are constantly looking to improve the atmosphere (in the residence halls)," said Richard Stegman, Director of Student Life.

"What we are doing is providing a kind of living environment which students will find attractive. That has always been a commitment from this university...and President Santoro has been very supportive of this."

Some residents aren't so ebullient. Erin Chauvin, a resident of Unit 8, doesn't expect much. "Maybe they'll fix up the general appearance of the units," Chauvin said, "but I don't expect them to work on what needs to be done."

The plumbing definitely needs a lot of work, and there are leaks all over the place...but I still am curious to see what (Maple) will look like when construction is done." According to White,

the new windows and the replaced roof should alleviate any of those problems.

Supervising the renovations will be Capital Projects Manager Steve Terrian, who will be working with Cranston contractor O. Ahlberg to oversee the general day to day operations.

After the renovations of Maple Hall, the next project in line is the Student Union, which is going to be renovated and expanded. "Beyond (Maple)...costs are uncertain, but will most likely be directed toward the Student Union," Stegman said.

Willow Hall, the only residence hall to not undergo any significant changes over the past several years, will be having minor repairs over the summer as well. According to Stegman, problems with heating and air conditioning are already being alleviated.

"We're wasting a lot of energy in Willow," Stegman said, "and we're looking to make the comfort level for each resident much better."

## 'Surrendered' tokens benefit various charities

**Kelly A. Scafariello**  
Layout/A&E Editor

The Mount Hope Bridge is closed and you have all these extra tokens lurking around in your car. What can you possibly do with the tokens you paid money for now that they are no longer useful?

Mary Ann Sorrentino, the daily morning talk show host on WPRO from 9 to 12 thought about this question months before the bridge closed its tolls forever.

Sorrentino, a resident of the East Bay area, (Tiverton) said, "I realized that with the bridge tolls closing, there would be a large amount of unused tokens out there."

At that point, a light went on in her head. She commented, "I thought with all the tokens out there, why not donate them for charity?" She quickly contacted William Laurie, head of the Turnpike and Bridge Authority. Sorrentino attended one of the Turnpike and Bridge Authority's meetings and proposed her idea.

If her idea was approved, she would broadcast it over her daily show, allowing listeners to become aware of



what would take place as of May 1.

One month later, Laurie approved her idea that would have all unused bridge tokens be donated to charity. Sorrentino thought that since the Turnpike and Bridge Authority passed her idea, they should have the opportunity to pick the charity or charities.

Some of the chosen charities are as follows: RI Veterans Home in Bristol, Boys & Girls Club of Newport, Newport/Middletown YMCA, Lucy's Hearth, RI Food Bank, and Any Town USA Camp for Kids. She continued to talk up the charity on the radio, which was helpful to her listeners.

The day before the bridge closed, on each side of the bridge, signs were posted up.

The signs said, "Surrender your tokens for charity!" WPRO even set up a little tent filled with staff next to the entrance of the bridge allowing people to donate while driving through.

The first morning of the toll-free bridge, Sorrentino was at the tent broadcasting her show. She opened with President Anthony Santoro, an architect student, historic preservation student and an architect professor. The show and the promotion was a huge success.

Just in case you missed the donation on May 1, it is not too late to give. The Turnpike and Bridge Authority will continue to collect the tokens for the next couple of weeks. To donate, just drop your tokens in the familiar toll basket the next time you cross the bridge.

## Honors Program graduates first members this year

**Valerie Gebhardt**  
Staff Writer

The Roger Williams University Honors Program will graduate its first members at this year's commencement ceremony. These students will be the first to receive transcripts from RWU which have notation of "Honors Program" completion.

The 16 graduating members represent a variety of majors. The ten graduates from the College of Arts and Sciences are Rachael Amaral, Luke Baron, Jeffrey Boyark, Dawn Farnsworth, Mackenzie Krazak, Katherine Kolek, Erin Kupcha, Hanna Lidington, Corey Newman and Kyle Perzanoski.

The School of Business will graduate four honors program members; Bryan Avigne, Ann Marie Dlugos, Tara Girouard, and John Russell.

Additionally, Lindsay Golladay will graduate from the School of Architecture with a degree in Historic Preservation, and Dave Thomas will graduate from the school of Engineering with a degree in Construction Management. "I think that the most important thing I'll take with me is the friendships that



**Dr. Joshua B. Stein, Program Director**

I've made," said Dave Thomas about his experience being part of the Honors Program.

The program, which was introduced in 1994 with approximately 29 members, has grown tremendously in its four years of existence. There are now 114 members, and for the first time, each class is represented in the program.

The program, has expanded not only in size, but in academic expectations. This year's graduating seniors were required to maintain a 3.0 grade point average to stay in the program; current members are required to maintain a 3.3

While maintaining this average, the members were expected to complete their general education requirements by taking them in the designated honors level.

The same is true of today's members; however, the general education require-

ment has been switched to the core curriculum. "Being in honors classes made my college experience more challenging," said Tara Girouard, a double major in Accounting and Finance.

In addition to their basic graduation requirements, seniors in the honors program are expected to complete an individual project working with the faculty member of their choice.

The seniors will present summaries of their projects to the rest of the program members at a ceremony on Friday, May 15, at which time they will also receive their certificate of honors program completion.

"I'm thrilled," said Program Director Joshua Stein. "Each member has worked hard and really excelled. It's a great sense of accomplishment."

## Excellence at RWU

**Alette Pauly**  
Staff Writer



**June Speakman, Pi Sigma Alpha adviser**

As all students know, academic excellence is always difficult to achieve and maintain and rarely recognized. Here at RWU, several honor societies have been established to recognize and encourage the efforts and faculty who have excelled in a particular field of interest. This past spring, several honor societies have inducted new members.

In a joint ceremony with the Political Science Honor Society on May 6, five members of Phi Alpha Theta, the International History Honor Society, along with faculty advisory Dr. Charles Watson, welcomed seven new members during a brief, informal evening ceremony. To qualify for this privilege, a student must complete at least 12 credit hours of history courses at RWU, maintaining a B average in both their history and non-history courses, and rank in the top 35% of his/her class. Phi Alpha Theta is open to any history student who meets requirements, and is not solely for history majors.

New inductees are: Rachel Brady, Joseph Culotta, David K. Ferguson, Pablo Florin, Dolores Longo, Jessica McCabe, and Eric Pinero.

Eight members of Pi Sigma Alpha, the Political Science Honor Society, including co-faculty advisers Dr. Ernest Greco and Dr. June Speakman, welcomed twelve new members during the same ceremony. Pi Sigma Alpha has hosted activities in the past such as the recent Law School Forum. An invitation to join Pi Sigma Alpha requires that a student have completed at least four political science courses, one of which is above the 100 level, maintaining a B average in all those courses, with an overall GPA which places the student in the top third of the class, and currently hold a junior or senior class standing. Membership is open to majors and minors, as well as core concentrators in political science.

The twelve students inducted are: Rosaline Babcock, Tammy Ciak, Debra Cooper, Stephanie Costello, Marion Fottler, Adam Geller, Melissa Glidden, Isabel Gomes, Kelly Hawkins, Alette Pauly, Eric Pinero, and Maria Villegas. Following the induction, Dr. William Wyatt, Jr., the Chairman of the Classics department at Brown University spoke on "Rhode Island's Reaction to the Greek Revolution of 1821."

On Tuesday April 21, the RWU chapter of Psi Chi, the National Honor Society in Psychology, inducted three new members, Andrea Mariano, Holly Eason, and Jill Francis. Faculty advisor, Dr. Donald Whitworth was joined this year in adviserial duties by Dr. Garrett Berman, Assistant Professor of Psychology. Students wishing to be invited to join Psi Chi must maintain a 3.0 average in all psychology courses and overall must rank in the top 25% of their respective class. Assistant Vice President Loretta Shelton represented President Santoro at the ceremony which also commemorated Psi Chi's 20th anniversary.

Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honor Society, has been at RWU since 1991, during which many students and faculty have been inducted. In a ceremony which took place in the Bay Room on April 3, eight new student members and one faculty member were inducted in an afternoon ceremony. Several alumni were in attendance, as well as Professor Loretta Shelton, who is also a member of Sigma Tau Delta.

Joining members and co-faculty advisers Dr. Deborah Robinson and Dr. James Tackach as Sigma Tau Delta participants were: Rene Brown, Lynne-Ellen Desrosiers, Annalee Dragon, Elizabeth Jacobon, Kristy Mosch-Flores, Sydney Moulaison, and faculty member Dr. Phillip Szenher.

To qualify for this honor, students must achieve a 3.0 average in all english courses and as an overall GPA, and also have completed at least three semesters of their college career. Sigma Tau Delta hosts several social events per year, including theatre visits and dinner engagements.

# Hilda is sugar, spice and everything nice in the Student Union's Snack Bar

Jacqueline Binette  
Staff Writer

A small, yet strong voice carries over the hustle and bustle of the Snack Bar at the Student Union on a Wednesday afternoon, "Is that it Doll?" A minute later, "Hi Babe!"

The voice is quite familiar to all who have frequently visited the Snack Bar over the past nine years. It is the voice of Hilda Soares. Hilda, standing on a small pedestal to reach the cash register she operates, greets yet another smiling customer, "Hi Babe! How are ya?" He responds, "Okay. How are you?" Hilda's response is, "Well, I'm better than nothin'!"

According to many of the people she has serviced during her career at Roger Williams University, Hilda is more than just 'better than nothin'. "She's really nice! Everybody loves her," says RWU junior Dana Coto.

Junior Steve Louis-Charles reiterates the sentiment, "She's very funny, everyone loves her. She's very helpful and she knows what to do." After working in the food industry for most of her life, she *should* know what to do.



Hilda explains it this way, "Once it's in you, you can't get away from it."

Observing Hilda in her blue RWU Dining Services visor, adorned with stickers that read "HELP!" and "Excellent," calling her customers by name, one can easily see that she loves what she does.

As a customer approaches with two slices of pepperoni pizza and a fountain soda, she punches in numbers with her nimble, purple-painted fingernails and says, "That it Sweetheart?"

As to her finesse with people, her character seems much bigger than her physical stature, as she puts it, "You have to have some personality." Her good nature and easy way with faculty and students

is part of the reason people frequent the Snack Bar. "She has a twinkle in her eye," says Professor Fawzia Ahmad.

Hilda is as much a part of the University as any of the buildings located on campus.

When discussing the students she sees pass through every year she says, "You get very attached to them. It's family - they're my kids."

Other 'family' members include her CO-workers. Exiting the kitchen, Corinne kisses Hilda 'good-bye' on the head as she ends her shift for the day, and Hilda says, "We have a lot of fun. We're family." Although Corinne is not her daughter, she does have blood-ties with another CO-worker; her supervisor Donna.

Donna is the second of her

three children and although she admits that they are very close, on the outside it would appear that Donna is the only employee at the Snack Bar who is *not* Hilda's child. Donna calls her Hildie, while it seems almost everyone else calls her 'Mom.' Eric Tolson, another CO-worker says, "She is like my mom."

It makes one wonder why so many people feel compelled to think of Hilda as a mom, but spend enough time with her and you suddenly want to pour a cup of tea and talk about life. Hilda is known to declare quips of wisdom such as, "Just keep the faith."

You gripe but if you have the faith you have everything - everything falls into place." "Nobody is perfect. The good Lord made us that way and we all have different ways of doing things. It would be a crazy world if we were all alike." Somehow you know that nothing gets passed Hilda.

Maybe it is the fact that many RWU students who are far away from home crave the motherly warmth that Hilda so easily exudes. As she rings you in, you feel you are the most important person in her busy day.

Hilda's smarty-pants, yet heart-felt way of joking somehow keeps students (and faculty) in touch with something they may be missing.

Hilda seems to combine motherly affection with a fervent flirtatious flare: "I keep telling the boys that they are only after my body." She has so many male followers that at one point a young CO-worker mentions taking her to commencement as his date and she turns to an observing student and slyly says, "They have to wait in line."

She is known for her flirty sarcasm; it is part of what makes her so appealing to the young RWU students who innocently flirt back. She finds herself reminding them that she is there to serve them, but that the 'service' stops at the cash register. "Hey kids, I don't charge for entertainment!"

When talking about her job Hilda admits: "I'm happy where I am. I enjoy it because I get the summer off and by September I want to cause some trouble. Every May I'll say, 'This is it,' but come September, I'm back. Once I walk in that door, everything stays behind. This is home."

## ROTC Senior Jim Bentz learns real life over four years of college

Donna Plasson  
Staff Writer

Jim Bentz walks into the Academic Computer Center he is above average height; his hair is cut shorter on the sides longer on top, military style. There are two chairs set up for his interview, one good chair, blue, obviously more comfortable than the brown one that is as appealing as a rock. He offers the good chair, and accepts it for himself only with direct force.

He is impeccably polite; the type of young man mothers want for son in laws and the Army wants for active duty. Jim hopes that his duty will begin in FT. Bragg, Home of the 82nd Airborne.

Following his bloodline, his grandfather served in W.W.II, Jim attempted to join the military right out of High School. He was deterred due to a medical restriction. Jim is tight lipped about this, all he will say is that the restriction could have been waved, it was minor. He wanted to be a military policeman.

On May 17 at 9:00 am in the Green Hall at URI Jim will walk with the other cadets from Roger Williams, URI and Salve Regina to graduate



from the ROTC and become second Lieutenants in the Army. Finally his plans are culminating.

After high school Jim attended URI on a full music scholarship, for the trumpet. He double majored in Sociology. He also met Major Heather Landon, who was to become an influential character in his life; she recruited him into the Army ROTC and started a chain of choices for Jim. Choices and decisions that have lead him to become the winner of The First Lieutenants award and become Airborne certified.

The people in the military who are not airborne certified are called "legs." Not a

disrespectful term says Jim, there is just a certain camaraderie between the men and women who have completed the training.

"There were a couple of guys who hit the ground PLF (parachute Landing fall), got up while the troop was running back to the assembly area and said to the Sergeant this isn't for me." Jim jumped from a plane that idled in the air at 1,250 feet, he jumped at night, into the grassy sandy plot called the Fryar jumping zone. On his west side was the Chatahoochi River, but he didn't see it because his eyes were closed. He didn't do this once, or even twice, he did it five times.

There is a labyrinth split to Jim's future goals, which he has the next four years to unravel. On one hand is the love of airborne duty, which he acquired at Ft. Benning, Georgia, jumping out of planes.

On the other is his life long desire to serve in a law enforcement capacity. A long jump from the decisions of a twenty something eating pizza and watching too much MTV, which Jim says he was doing four years ago. But he was always motivated in the direction of service. "I have always wanted to serve my country and all that apple pie stuff."

He came to Roger Williams "blindly" to study criminal justice. People in his life, he declined to answer who, discouraged him from attending Roger Williams, stating that college wasn't a trade school. Referring to the link between his major and his goal of law enforcement. Opposition aside Jim chose to come here and accepted a tier one scholarship from the Army ROTC. He received 12,500 in tuition aid, assuring him active duty this May when he graduates.

During his last semester at RWU he interned with the US.

Secret Service located on Westminster Street in Providence. He was exposed to interrogations, when safety allowed, and shadowed the detectives in the field. Though working on mostly finical crimes Jim says he acknowledged the crucial and delicate balance between Federal and local law enforcement.

"All cases originally have come from the local level. With out local work the cases would never make it to the federal level. A good relationship is imperative."

Can you imagine having your life in the hands of someone else, can you imagine being the one who's in charge, now triple that number to thirty. That's ultimately what Jim wants, to be in charge of the welfare of thirty soldiers, their lives and well being, all resting on his abilities. Who can say what he'll do four years from now when his active duty is up, maybe he will re-enlist and go off to Germany or Italy, both of those were choices on his request of duty to the Army. Jim says it's always the ones who say they're not going to re-enlist that end up staying in for twenty years, Jim decides to take it day by day.

# JUST SAY IT!

SPONSORED BY THE RWU AMBASSADORS

**TO ALL THE FLOOR HOCKEY TEAMS:**  
BEEF CURTINS ARE #1

**TO ANYONE:**  
MESS WITH THE HAMMER, YOUR GOING TO GET NAILED!

**TO BUDDHA:**  
YOUR THE BOMB!  
FROM YOUR SECRET ADMIRER

**TO LIZ & JILL:**  
MOO MOO  
MOO MOO!

**TO LISA LEON:**  
OTTERS LIKE ICE

**TO JASON:**  
SOME ON GO OUT W/ JASON!  
FROM FRITZIE

**TO FRITZIE CHARNE:**  
I LOVE FRITZIE!  
FROM JASON

**TO MY LITTLE ONE:**  
I WOULD WAIT A THOUSAND YEARS TO GAZE BUT A MERE SECOND INTO YOUR EYES.  
FROM "J"

**TO THE S.O.S. REBELS:**  
THANKS FOR MAKING IT A YEAR TO REMEMBER. YOU GUYS ARE THE GREATEST. I LOVE YOU ALL!  
FROM LADY G

**I LOVE DESIREE**  
FROM YOUR MYSTERY LOVER

**TO KEVIN, KEL & TASH:**  
JUMP OUT ANY WINDOWS LATELY?

**TO BRENDAN FLAHERTY:**  
CONGRATULATIONS FOR MAKING IT AFTER 28 YEARS. YOUR LITTLE FRIEND FROM FLORIDA WOULD BE PROUD.  
FROM BEN, DWIGHT, BRIAN & RORY

**TO REBELS:**  
VIVA S.O.S REBELS! THIS GROUP OF FRIENDS ARE THE GREATEST. YOU GUYS MEAN SO MUCH TO ME, AND I KNOW THAT MORE GOOD TIMES ARE IN STORE FOR US. TAKE CARE, ALL OF YOU.  
FROM EL PRESIDENTE

**TO JEFF:**  
HOW IS YOSHI?

**TO SANDRA:**  
ALWAYS WEAR YOUR HELMET. NEVER DRINK ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS AND TRY NOT TO SLEEP THROUGH PRACTICE.  
FROM DENA

**TO CORY O'CONNELL:**  
THE CANCUN OPEN IS MINE FOR THE TAKING NEXT YEAR!  
FROM ANDY MILLOVITCH

**TO LYNN TURCOTTE:**  
NEXT YEAR YOU AND YOUR BOY (THE GREAT KM) NEED TO MOVE TO BAYSIDE SO WE CAN CHILL.  
FROM SCOTT SLANDIS

**SANDRA, TASHA, JEN & ANNE ROCK THE HOUSE!**  
THANKS FOR A GREAT YEAR!  
LOVE ALISSA

**TO BTS MENTORS:**  
IT'S BEEN A HARD YEAR AND TEMPER FLARED BUT ALWAYS REMEMBER WHAT IS IMPORTANT AND WHY YOU TOOK THIS JOB.  
FROM SCOTT

**TO THE BASEBALL TEAM:**  
YOU GUYS ARE DOING GREAT. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. WE CHEER FOR YOU EVEN THOUGH YOU SAY WE DON'T.  
FROM YOUR TRAINERS

**SINGLE WHITE FEMALE**  
SEEKS SHORT HOT MAN

**SHORT HOT MAN**  
SEEKS SINGLE WHITE FEMALE

**TO BUDDY:**  
YOU ARE THE TRUE DEFINITION OF A REAL MAN.  
LOVE, YOU KNOW WHO

**AU PAIR FOREVER!**

**FEINSTEIN, FEINSTEIN, FEINSTEIN, FEINSTEIN!!**

**TO JEN:**  
HAVE ANOTHER DRINK...IT IS GOOD FOR YOU. MMMMMM, IT IS FULL OF NUTRIENTS. VITAMIN D. IT DOES A BODY GOOD.  
FROM BD

**TO WHO'S YOUR DADDY RADIO (WORI):**  
MY FINGERS HURT!  
FROM BIG JAY THE GIMP

**TO ALISSA, TASHA, JEN & ANNE:**  
YOU GUYS ROCK! LOVE YOU!  
FROM SANDRA :)

**TO BUCK RODGERS:**  
YOU ARE THE COOLEST KID AT RWU AND YOU ARE SO HOT! I HOPE I WILL HAVE THE GUTS TO TALK TO YOU ONE DAY.  
LOVE, RAINBOW

**TO MATT CANBERG:**  
I AM SO IN LOVE WITH YOU MATT. I'VE HAD A CRUSH ON YOU ALL YEAR, BUT YOU HAVEN'T EVEN GIVEN ME THE TIME OF DAY-BUT I STILL LOVE YOU ANYWAY.  
FROM IZZY SMITH

**TO RWU:**  
GEORGE BILLINGS IS THE HOTTEST GUY ON THE PLANET.  
FROM MEGHAN SCHERTZ

**TO DR. HOLLINGSWORTH:**  
SPECIAL THANKS TO TONY FOR BEING SUCH A GREAT ADVISOR.  
FROM THE CLASSICS CLUB

**RWU WOMEN'S SOCCER RULES!**

**TO RWU:**  
SHANNON, YOU LOOK PRETTY TODAY!  
FROM TWO SWINGIN KIDS

**DO YOU WANT TO TAKE**  
A BUBBLE BATH WITH ME?

**WHAT DOES FINI, RACHEL AND AU PAIR HAVE IN COMMON?** THEY WERE ALL AT THE SAME PARTY!

**TO DENA:**  
GOOD LUCK POST-GRAD. REMEMBER TO STAY TRUE TO YOURSELF AND NEVER FORGET TO BE A KID EVERY NOW AND AGAIN.  
FROM KEL

**TO SHANNON:**  
867-5309 FOREVER BABY!  
FROM KEVIN

**TO JEFF & SETH:**  
THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY...WHERE SHOULD WE GO? HMMMM...  
FROM TIM GUNN

**TO CASEY CLARK:**  
CASEY, CAN'T WAIT TIL MAY 1. THANK YOU FOR BEING MY DATE.  
FROM TIM GUNN

**TO GINA & JENN:**  
DON'T WORRY GUYS, "I LOVE YOU!"  
FROM AMY FAHL

**TO KELLY RUSSELL:**  
COME TO MY ROOM TONIGHT, I MISS YOU.  
FROM PINO

**TO MANDY DUNN & MJC:**  
WATCH OUT FOR WHITE LINES!  
FROM BEN

**TO DR. HOLLINGSWORTH:**  
WE APPRECIATE YOUR HARD WORK, TIME AND DEDICATION AS WELL AS MAKING CLASS SO MUCH FUN.  
FROM THE GERMAN & LATIN CLASSES

**TO DWIGHT MANNING:**  
DWIGHT MANNING IS AN IRISH CREAM PUFF.  
FROM BPF

**TO MEGHAN SCHERTZ:**  
WHY THANK YOU, RED HAired MEGHAN. YOU'RE QUITE A HANDSOME WOMAN YOURSELF. I SURE DO LIKE FRENCH FRIED POTATERS!  
\*RUMP\*

**TO NATE WHIPPLE:**  
I HAD A GREAT TIME ON SAT. YOU WERE THE GREATEST WHITE BOY I EVER HAD.  
FROM BLACKY

**OK, THERE IS FIVE HOT WINGS AND ONE FINGER!**

**AHH...GOOD JOB...GOOD GOOD GOOD JOB**

**TO ALL GRADUATING:**  
HAVE FUN THESE LAST FEW DAYS. YOU ALL DESERVE IT.

**TO STACEY & KRISTIN:**  
GO TEAM! LOOK AT THOSE LOBSTERS... HA HA HA, YOU TWO ARE THE COOLEST!

**I LOVE THIS SCHOOL**  
WITH MUCH PASSION AND SOUL.  
FROM HAWK

**TO BEN "BONGO HIGGINS:**  
YOU KNOW HOW MUCH YOU MEAN TO ME. THE MOST "INTRIGUING" PERSON I KNOW IS MY BEST FRIEND. "I WILL NEVER LET YOU GO!"  
FROM KELLY, "YOUR BUBBLES"

**TO SHANNON:**  
LOOK! I SPENT 50 CENTS FOR THIS! SMILE!  
FROM JAY

**TO RWU COMMUNITY:**  
WHO IS THE BONE?  
FROM THE WITZ

**TO KEVIN KENNY:**  
GEE KEVIN YOU LOOK SEXY IN YOUR HOCKEY JACKET. WE LOVE YOU.  
FROM STACY & JENNY

**TO CAM:**  
JUST WANTED TO SAY HYA TO A GREAT "BUDDY" OF MINE.  
FROM VW

**TO ALL STUDENTS"**  
COME TO THE WRITING CENTER FOR ALL YOUR WRITING NEEDS, GSB 118.

**TO BUDDY:**  
YOU ARE THE BEST THING THAT HAS EVER HAPPENED TO ME. I LOVE YOU!  
FROM ???

**TO ALL GRADUATES:**  
DON'T LET ANYTHING STAND IN THE WAY OF YOUR DREAMS AND REMEMBER YOU ARE IN CHARGE OF YOUR DESTINY AND DON'T LET FEAR STOP YOU.  
FROM DAVE PIRROTTA

**BADE, I LOVE YOU, YEP, I DO. THANK YOU FOR THE LOVE, SUPPORT AND PATIENCE. YOU MEAN THE WORLD TO ME!**  
LOVE YOUR #1 FAN, ME

## Madonna sheds a Ray of Light

Jason Liuzzi  
Staff Writer



It seems that once again Madonna has been loyal to her fans. This time by releasing an album totally different that anything she has ever done before.

This album is very impressive. It is spiritual, dark, and catchy. Producer William Orbit contributed much to this album. Which is the reason why the album can be considered a pop/techno album. "William Orbits beeps and squawks are supported by an underlay of crunching guitars, as well as dashes of Middle Eastern droning."

Madonna's voice comfortably mixes right in and even reaches highs unlike her usual style. This is especially heard in "Ray of Light" one of the more upbeat tracks on the album.

"Ray of Light" is a very deep album. Much of the music is about her life. Including her baby daughter and motherhood. Her lyrics are spiritual as well as the

music itself. In "Little Star", "God gave a present to me, made of flesh and bones, my life, my soul, you make my spirit whole" represent the sacredness of this album. Obviously, this song is about her daughter.

Her current single "Frozen" is another example of how different this album is. The gothic nature of this song represents another style unlike the usual Madonna. Dance remixes of each song released will also be available.

One of the best songs on the album "The Power of Good-Bye" is about how hard

it is to let go of somebody that you love so much. The harmonic tunes of her voice and the electronic sounds of the instruments along with the gothic/techno nature of the album, stir a mix of emotions.

Instead of explicit lyrics, lude pictures and outlandishness, Madonna this time has shocked us in a different way. She has created an album that is capable of producing intense feelings of love, spiritualness, and strength.

Mix it with the haunting electronic sounds of William Orbit and she has created an album of sheer virtue.

## LL Cool J knocks out hip-hop concert

Jason Liuzzi  
Staff Writer

On April 11th the Providence Civic Center was filled with many of the best hip-hop artists.

Beginning the concert was Shaggy. A reggae superstar that has been around since the early 90's. He is well known for his 1994 hit "Boombastic". He also sang with Raveon another reggae artists who is featured on Shaggy's hit song "Big Up".

Missy Elliot a newcomer solo artist also performed. She sang her hit songs including "The Rain." The concert was filled with excitement when Missy Elliot decided to come into the audience and meet her fans.

If it wasn't for Timbaland and Magoo she probably would have been toppled over by the audience. They also performed and sang there hit song "Up Jumps the Boogie". Montell Jordan got the crowd pumped up with his most famous song "This is How We Do It".

This R&B artist also got the crowd in a more relaxed mood with songs like "Fallen".

One of the best bands of the evening was Lord Teriq and Peter Gunz. This new artist has been number one for many weeks. There song Deja Vu (Uptown Baby) has been a hit across the country.

Angelina performed her hit club songs "Release Me" and "I Don't Need Your Love" The biggest highlight of the night was LL Cool J. He came out on stage to the song "Halloween" amongst a dozen strobe lights and fog.

His grand entrance was the best I've seen yet. He sang all of his hit songs from the early 80's to the present. Some of them included "Around The Way Girl", "Mama Said Knock You Out", "Doin It", and "Phenomena". His performance by far was the best.

All in all, Hot Night was definitely hot. Hopefully Hot106FM will do it again next year.

## Road Kill Cafe dishes out service with attitude and food with sense of humor

Jacqueline Binette  
Staff Writer

Newport's restaurants have always been known as leaders in the art of fine cuisine; trend setters for the rest of the country, even the world to follow. From La Petite Auberge to the Black Pearl, or even the White Horse Tavern, one can be sure to find a wait staff ready to pamper and spoil their customers with the utmost in perfection in customer service.

If this is your idea of a good time then there is nothing wrong with that, but if you want to experience the 'real world' you have entered into the wrong domain.

Amongst the wealth and extravagance found in this small, cultural, yachting town, there is a pearl of a restaurant located on Long Wharf overlooking Newport's pristine harbor.

Walk through the dark wooden double doors, notice the hundreds of license plates (exhibiting all 50 states and more) hanging from the rafters, and automatically you know you are not going to be greeted by a tuxedo-wearing host.

Sit sown at any one of the many red and white checkered cloth-covered tables, surrounded by road signs that read 'No Parking, 'Florida - Arrive Alive,' and 'Mass Confusion Ahead,' and you

come to realize that your waitress has not just stepped off a luxury liner ready to serve you with a syrupy rendition of their 'soup du jour.' Welcome to the Road Kill Cafe.

Donna Plasson, a Roger Williams University student who has worked the restaurant since last August, knows exactly how to handle a table of 10 Navy men ready to eat and drink on a Friday night.

She plops herself in a vacant seat at their table, looking comfortable in the typical Road Kill Cafe attire of blue jeans and a white T-shirt garnished with the cartoon image of a raccoon using a petite paw to distance himself from a large tire that is about to squish his slight body.

As she takes their order, one of the young men asks for a Bass Ale and Donna's response to this is, "Well, you don't know a thing about good beer. Bass Ale sucks." Not your average response, but the guys relish in it. "I love this girl," says a tall young man seated at the table. "She isn't the typical waitress, she's real," says Chris Sutherland from Versailles, Kentucky, Assistant Manager Pat Quinn, who just celebrated a birthday, is carrying two slices of Bailey's Irish Cream cake to the two regulars. Where else can you get free birthday cake when it isn't even your

birthday?

The menu which is covered with renditions of tiny animal footprints is worth seeing just for its creativity, and the food is edible, regardless of how sinister its name is. Kim Minor of Portsmouth was quite satisfied with her order of *Chish* and *Fips* complete with satyr toss.

Minor's friends Lavinia Holmes and Sean O'Dell like the food, the service and the seats. Holmes says, "They don't have to be fake and use 'the waitress voice.'"

O'Dell says, "The menu is fun to read, and I like the school bus seats - you can bounce on them." He is referring to the green school bus seats that have paid their dues and now serve as a place for grownups to sit and enjoy a good meal - not to say that children aren't welcome at the Road Kill Cafe.

This kind of atmosphere is perfect for kids and it is probably the only place they are allowed to eat *Worms & Dirt*. Do not be alarmed, the staff is not ordered to go outside and pick the most luscious spectacle of a worm they have ever seen and hand-feed it to unsuspecting children, *Worms & Dirt* is a tasty dessert you will find on the menu.

Among the many quirky things you can find at the Road Kill Cafe, there is a 'Penalty Box' located on the



first floor, subject to people who ask 'dumb questions' and 'take too long to order.' Any one of the customers, not just those in the 'Penalty Box,' may even be asked to make their own dessert, or your server may even order you to carry your dishes to the kitchen.

Hang around at the bar and you never know who you are going to run into. Seated at the bar in a blue AAA suit is a robust man drinking Coors Light out of a pitcher. This man doesn't need a glass or a mug, his grand hands fit around the pitcher the way a child's nimble hands fit around handle bars on a tricycle.

This man is Raymond Roy, licensed professional wrestler, otherwise known as 'The Mountie,' and his picture hangs on the wall behind the bar, autographed and all. "This is the 'Mountie Bar,'" he says.

Right now the Road Kill Cafe is doing well and the staff enjoys the myriad of customers stopping by for more 'abuse.' They must be doing something right because people keep coming back for seconds.

Quinn discusses the evolution of the restaurant as she teases her son collecting dishes from the tables.

She talks of how this 'cafe' has come into its own since opening last May: "We've had our growing pains, but it's a cohesive group. I've never worked in a place where people take care of each other. We work together."

The employees seem to enjoy one another's company, as well as the philosophies established here. Bartender Linda Wheeler, who just popped in on a Friday night to hang out and wish Quinn a happy birthday, says, "Anything goes here!"

## Summer Jobs Can Lead To More Than A Good Tan

By Colleen De Baise  
College Press Service

Unlike her friends who plan to babysit or wait on tables, Kibby Wall has set her sights on dissecting mice and baby chickens for her summer job.

Wall, a 19-year-old University of Iowa freshman, recently accepted a summer position with a campus lab that conducts research on congenital heart disease.

"It helps me know if I'm going to like that type of labwork," said Wall, a clinical lab science major who hopes to become a hospital lab technician. "It opens doors for me, too."

Ask students what they want most from a summer job, and the answer may not be a paycheck.

A growing number of students—even freshmen like Wall—report they are using their summer to gain experience and training that will lead them to the right jobs after graduation.

"College students understand that they need to augment classroom learning with experience in today's workplace," said Mitchell S. Fromstein, chief executive officer of Manpower, an employment services firm.

With a competitive job market looming in their future, students often look for a job where they can learn technical skills and

computer know-how—the nitty-gritty that's not always taught in courses that require essays on Shakespeare and discussions on Plato.

"They particularly need training in the latest business software, because virtually every profession requires some level of software knowledge," Fromstein said.

In many areas of the nation, a strong job market means that college students will be able to select from a number of summer job opportunities. How can job seekers be sure they are making the best choices? Fromstein offers these tips:

- Get a headstart on your career. The best summer job may be in the field in which you would eventually like to have a career. Computer science majors who work in high-technology companies, advertising majors who work in advertising agencies and finance majors who work in banks may benefit their future careers more than those who choose "fun in the sun" summer jobs.

- Flexibility can be key. Summer is prime time for college students to earn extra cash, but it should also be time to enjoy a

break from the classroom. The best job might be one that has some flexibility built in, such as time for a family vacation or, if you have graduated, time to seek a career position.

Leaving a job early could destroy valuable contacts and references that you will need in the future.

- Go where you want to return. The opportunity to return to the same job during holiday breaks and future summers can be a great benefit. Employers like to bring back good workers who know the company and the work, and a continuing opportunity will save you time on future job searches. In addition, many employers look at summer help as potential future employees.

- Seek training opportunities. Even when a job only lasts a summer, the employer should provide all the training you need to perform the job—and the employer, not you, should pay for it.

Holly M. Anderson, a Western Illinois University sophomore, spent last summer babysitting four children. But this year, she's decided to apply for office positions, although she hasn't gotten an offer yet.

"This summer, if I get a job, is not going to be as fun," she said. "I think it is going to be harder."

## School's Out For Summer!



Once you survive finals, get ready for summer.

- Get the job forecast for college grads.
- Learn how to make the most of a summer job.
- Take off to Europe, and ride the rails. But don't leave home without our Eurailing tips.

# Scattered Voices

*kelly carr*

## Jealousy

I don't even know her  
 But I know him  
 and as long as I'm here  
 and as long as he's here  
 I don't want to share.  
 I feel like I'm in Kindergarten  
 I had to share Joey  
 with his mom but only  
 when he went home.  
 I have to share him  
 with his girlfriend but  
 only when he goes home.  
 I don't want to share  
 him here  
 And not with her.  
 I don't even know her  
 But I know him  
 and I want him all to myself.  
 I never want to know  
 what I lost  
 especially if it's her.

*drew griffiths*

## Dance

Turn it up  
 I love the sound  
 of your silence  
 Simon and Garfunkal  
 have nothing on you  
 Play me a song with the sweet  
 whispers of your breath  
 Keep the beat with the  
 murmur of your heart  
 String notes along  
 your tender lashes  
 Float rhythms  
 through your hair and  
 scream the words  
 through the pores in your  
 alabaster smooth flesh  
 I love to hear you sing  
 Play me another,

*brianne killoran*

## Love-Blinded

So perfect  
 Like it had been planned  
 So perfect was  
 my hand upon yours  
 Intertwined  
 So perfect was the bay  
 Situated around us  
 waves of lust  
 flowing in and endless wet  
 So perfect, the sun-  
 lighting up your face -  
 marinating our earth like a fish,  
 light of heaven  
 to hear our loveful prayer  
 So perfect.  
 Yet, now I recall  
 Your hands were dampened  
 with bitter sweat  
 And there was a foul  
 odor of rotting  
 fish caught tight  
 in the air.

*toni burrows*

## Salvation

I missed her lips last night  
 Her lack of subtly  
 Her brutal honesty  
 And her thumbs  
 Her brown eyes  
 So sweet they seem  
 To spill over at me as if  
 to say what are you thinking  
 And I can not help but smile  
 Laugh a little  
 And kiss her wonderful mouth  
 Breathing one breath  
 Pumping my precious  
 O<sub>2</sub>(oxygen)  
 Into her welcoming lungs  
 As she willingly  
 Resuscitates me and I  
 Would die every night

*Scattered Voices* features creative work written by people associated with Roger Williams University including faculty and staff. Poetry, fiction or any other written form is encouraged as well as sketches, comics and anything else which requires creative thought and process to produce. If you would like to submit work to the Scattered Voices either leave your work in an envelope marked Scattered Voices in the Creative Writing Club mailbox in the Student Activities office or in the envelop outside the office door of the Hawks Eye (by the student senate office), regretfully submissions will not be returned to the author. For editing and layout purposes please leave a phone number or extension where you can be contacted in case any questions arise in the formatting of your work. The Creative Writing club meets on Tuesdays at 7pm in Maple Hall, room 1402. If you are interested in further developing the work seen in Scattered Voices or any other aspect of creative writing we encourage and welcome your attendance.

# What was the best thing

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Talking in rooms beforehand



Fun

The F

Great get together with friends for the last time



seeing everyone have fun



Celebrating four years at RWU

Sad and fun at the same time

People watching

Drinking

Food



# out Commencement Ball?



Getting Jiggy With It

My date



The whole thing

Centerpieces



Exciting

UUHHHHHHH????

Music



The Bar

## Election Results for 1998-99

### Class of 1999

*40 Juniors voted*

*Romey Sabnani - President in uncontested race*

*Courtney Mulligan- Vice Pres. in uncontested race*

*Fritzie Charne- Secretary in uncontested race*

### Class of 2000

*30 Sophomores voted*

*Lisa Hickey- President in uncontested race*

*Kate Axelson- Vice Pres. in uncontested race*

*Jason Siudut- Treasurer in uncontested race*

*Jennifer Staruski- Secretary in uncontested race*

### Class of 2001

*68 Freshmen voted*

*Ben Higgins defeated Mark Carrigan for President*

*Kelly Carr- Treasurer in uncontested race*

*Abby McLean- Secretary in uncontested race*

**The following have been elected to serve on the Student Senate:**

*Jennifer Camac*

*Andrew Firmin*

*Anna Frye*

*Christian Palombo*

*Rob Peterson*

*Kelly Richardson*

*Kim Segnit*

*Michelle Goewey*

*Lauren Hauptman*

*Ben Higgins*

*Kim Hilderbrandt*

*Sandra MacCue*

**101 ballots were cast**

## Students get awarded

Public Relations



**Left to right: Gingerella, Boland, Carr, Hoyle, Munsey and Maguire**

On May 5, 1998 student recipients of the annual Barnes and Noble scholarship were recognized. They are Liam Carr, a sophomore from Glen Ridge, NJ, majoring in Computer Information Systems; Ronald Millet, a sophomore from Kittery, Maine, majoring in Architecture; Pamela Milliken, a senior from Marlboro MA, majoring in Paralegal Studies; and Andrew Munsey, a senior from Bristol, RI, majoring in Architecture.

Present to congratulate the students were Candice Maguire of Warren, director, Vista Program, Institutional Development; David Gingerella of Westerly, Dean of Student Finance and Records; Liz Boland, manager, RWU's bookstore; and Glen Hoyle, of Norton MA, regional manager, Barnes and Noble. Barnes and Noble, one of the leading booksellers in the United States, manages the RWU bookstore. The firm contributes annually to the scholarship fund.

The members of the RWU Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D), would like to publicly thank all the people and organizations who have helped with donations for our annual successful Midnight Brunch.

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Bristol House of Pizza

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Department of Student Life

D'Angelo's

Friendly's (Seekonk)

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Kentucky Fried Chicken

Magic Mirror Gift Shop

Mondo Music

Newport Creamery

Papa Geno's

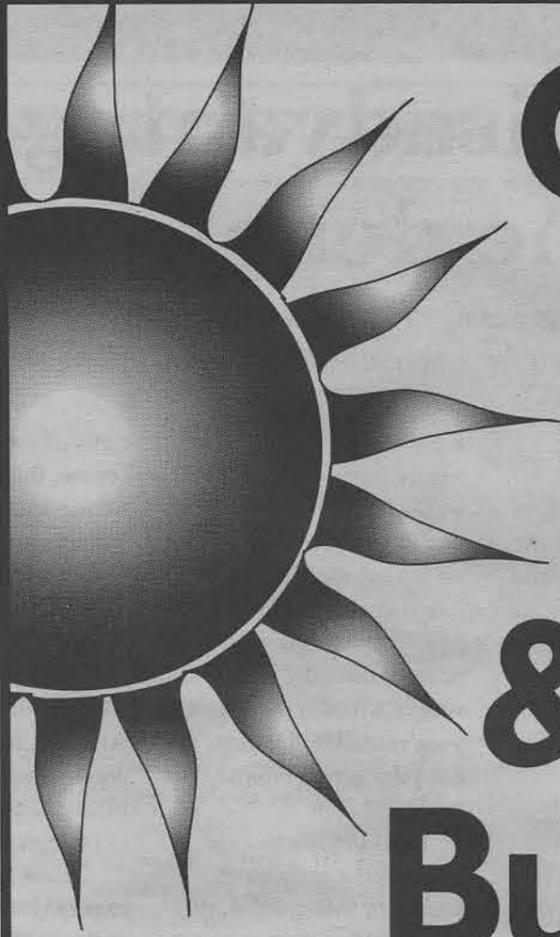
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Subway (Seekonk)

Toy Shop (Bristol)

Video Connection

Mrs. Anthony for the Beanie Babies



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Friday 05/15:	9:00am - 4:00pm
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## MAKING FINALS WEEK A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

Two weeks a year. They can be the difference between success and failure in college.

Twice a year, for one week at the end of each semester, you have the opportunity to make a dramatic impact on your G.P.A. Unfortunately, all too often, the "impact" is in the wrong direction and an entire semester of hard work suddenly seems like a tremendous waste of time.

It doesn't have to work that way. While others are "crashing and burning" around you, you can make finals week an experience that can take you up to the next level in your pursuit of scholastic stardom. Here's how.

First, think about finals week as finals weeks. It's a two week process that starts the Monday before you take your first test. On that Monday, you'll need to figure out how much and when you'll need to study for each test. Plan on at least 15 hours per test, and possibly up to 25 depending on a number of factors, including how tough the class is, whether or not the exam is cumulative, and how well organized your study information is from earlier in the semester.

Make an hour by hour daily schedule for the two week period that includes everything from when you'll study for specific tests, to when you'll sleep, eat, and take study breaks. Key here is to fill in your study calendar starting with the last exam you'll take. From there, plan your time for the second to last test and continue to work your way backward (third to last test, fourth...), scheduling the time necessary to do well on each. This approach will prevent you from running out of study time and getting completely hammered on your last couple of tests. This, of course, assumes that once you make the schedule, you're going to stick to it.

Remember, quality study time is as or more important than sheer quantity of time spent with your face in a book. Where and when you study can make a huge difference. And finally, this is not a sleep deprivation experiment. You can't function without sleep. You won't think clearly and, quite simply, you won't do well.

If you make good decisions, finals weeks can become a competitive advantage - helping you to separate yourself from the pack.



# Advantages and Disadvantages of the Internet, the debate

The comments below were given by  
 Dr. Lisa Lebduska's Scientific Communications class

The internet is disorganized, impermanent, and often lacking credibility in scientific circles. It is also the most convenient, efficient, effective way to obtain cutting edge research material, journal articles, and general academic information. In terms of speed and resources, there is no substitute.

Clearly, there is inaccurate information on the net. Often research is not reviewed or takes a right-wing angle. The internet is an open forum, available to all forms of opinion, prejudice, and woeful misuse. Even valuable sites may disappear from day to day without notice.

The information lacks permanence. While nearly every fact known to man is in all likelihood somewhere on the net, your chances of finding any given bit are slim to nil. Organizational problems plague the system. The internet is history's largest encyclopedia without an index.

Despite its shortcoming, the internet is an invaluable tool for today's scientist. Organized or not, no single outlet offers a greater wealth or diversity of information. It is all about navigating to your destination. Often, relevant information, especially for scientists, is organized into specific on-line sites that cater to specialized academic needs.

Sites are often field specific, offering the latest journal information, including research opinion, and cutting edge breakthroughs. Unparalleled in convenience, the internet allows the scientist to explore his field, present his research, and communicate with his peers unlike ever before. Yes, the internet is good.

-Michael Baron-

A word that was (not so long ago) almost never spoken, has now become a household term, and in the minds of some, a necessity of life.

This term, the internet, needs no explanation now. Our world has been bombarded with terms like "global village" and "information superhighway" for a few years now, and it has already become second nature to go to the web for information.

The internet provides high speed access to information around the world. With the click of a button the average person can access information that would have been nearly impossible to obtain even 5 years ago.

But are there any disadvantages to this "information superhighway", as we call it? This is quickly becoming an issue in education institutions.

On one side of the debate, the internet should be used as a possible lead to print sources. Those with this belief would not

see the internet as a proper source in any professional work. Instead, they believe that any information found on the net should then be found in print and then that printed information should be cited. So, the internet is simply a media that gives your research direction, it is not your actual bibliographical source.

Until the internet can guarantee a permanent source of information, the net should remain as a sort of link to printed (and permanent) information.

Others also believe that, yes, the internet should be used cautiously. However, consider sources that the internet provides that would be otherwise impossible to obtain.

For example, *The Ecological Society of America* publishes an on-line journal that is not readily available in print.

Also, sources such as conference proceedings etc. would be nearly impossible to obtain in print. So, as long as you have some way of at least estimating that the informa-

tion comes from a credible source, there is nothing wrong with using the net as a reference.

I can find legitimate points in both of these points of view. I do believe that one must be cautious when using the internet. After all, nearly anyone can create a web site that for all practical purposes appears to be legitimate.

I have had my own experience with this. As a college student, I am expected to research topics often. In one of my projects I cited a very thorough and professional source that provided a fantastic source for my research.

Two weeks later my professor asked for a correction on the address. The site that he had was correct, but low and behold, it just wasn't there anymore.

This situation could pose a serious problem in the scientific world. Think of a world basing its beliefs and information on sources that nobody else can find.

-Jaime Carrozzi-

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The Internet is a growing resource available to professionals and elementary school children alike. Two camps exist; one claiming the Internet is our saving grace, the other says it is our apocalypse.

I guess I fall into the skeptic camp. The Pro-Internet advocates center on the "Global" aspects of Internet use. I can talk to people from Australia, China, Brazil, and England, all at the same time if I wish. Surfing the Internet, I come across a page that allows me to see the weather in Turkey, or get the latest news from Stockholm. You can fulfill your greatest wishes and deepest desires just with the click of a mouse.

"What's so bad about that?" you ask, "It sounds perfect to me." On the surface, the Internet is the answer to all

of man's anxieties, but I've never been one to look merely on the surface.

I agree that the Internet can be a wonderful resource, for those who use it properly. When I want to know the latest research on Ebola, I can click to the Centers for Disease Control web site and get undated information on hundreds of emerging diseases. This is definitely a plus.

I have faster access to incredible amounts of knowledge. It is not the resource aspect that I disagree with, although academic skeptics are mainly concerned with the web's reputation in handing our credible information.

My problem lies deeper than that; where my thirteen-year-old sister can go into a "chat room" and be seduced into cyber sex by some thirty-year-old

man; or where the Internet is being used as a way to track down innocent children for the purpose of kidnapping, shadowy pursuit, or even rape.

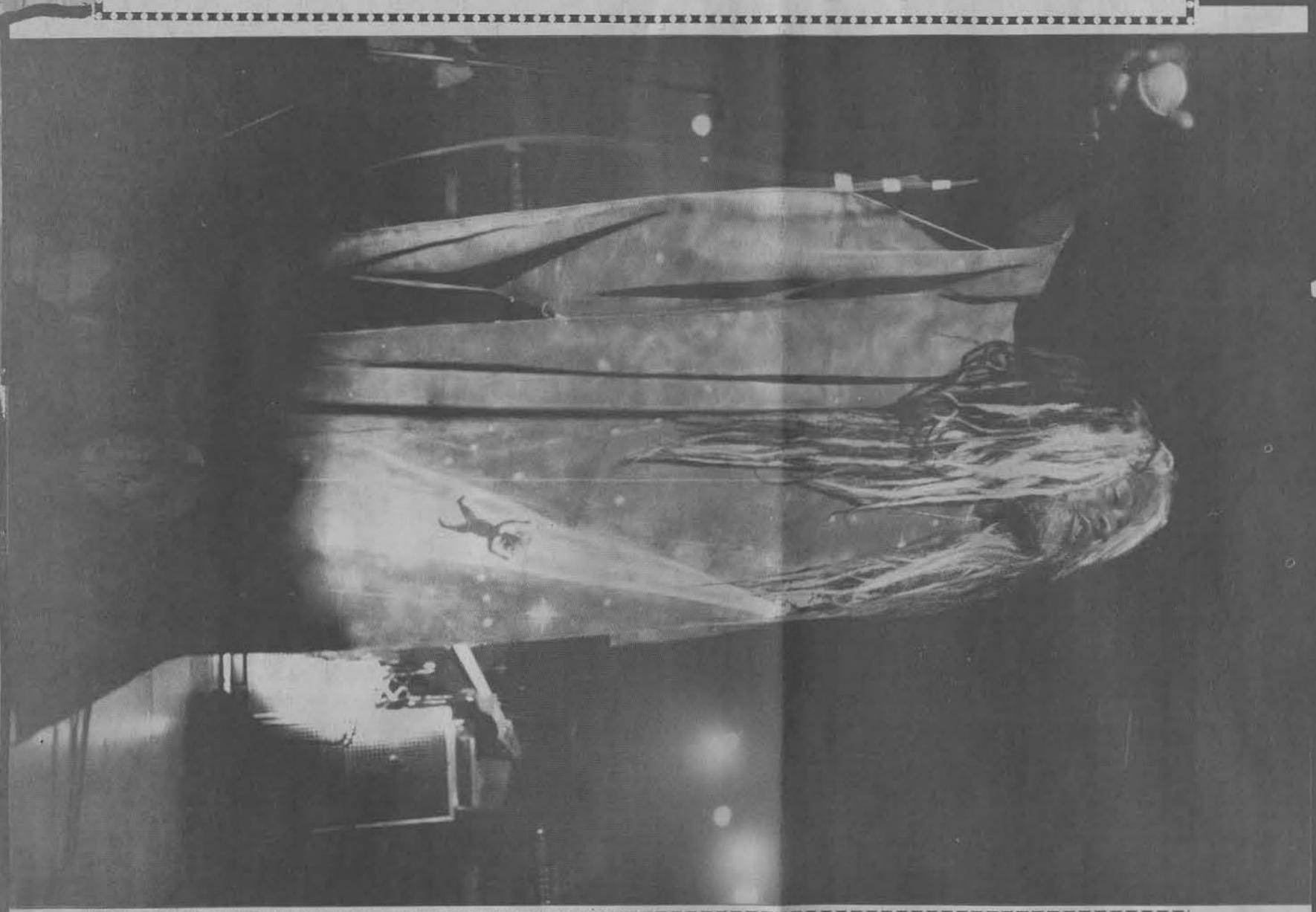
I see the Internet, more specifically the World Wide Web, as just one more avenue for lashing out.

Our society has become jaded because of violence in the news, in movies, on TV shows. People thrive on others being hurt or threatened; pain has become entertainment.

TV is fictional; children, and adults, can be protected from the violence by saying to themselves, "this is only pretend". But, when the use of the Internet becomes as commonplace as watching TV, the "pretend" is fused into reality. With no restrictions, who knows where the Internet could take us.

-Lynn Turcotte-

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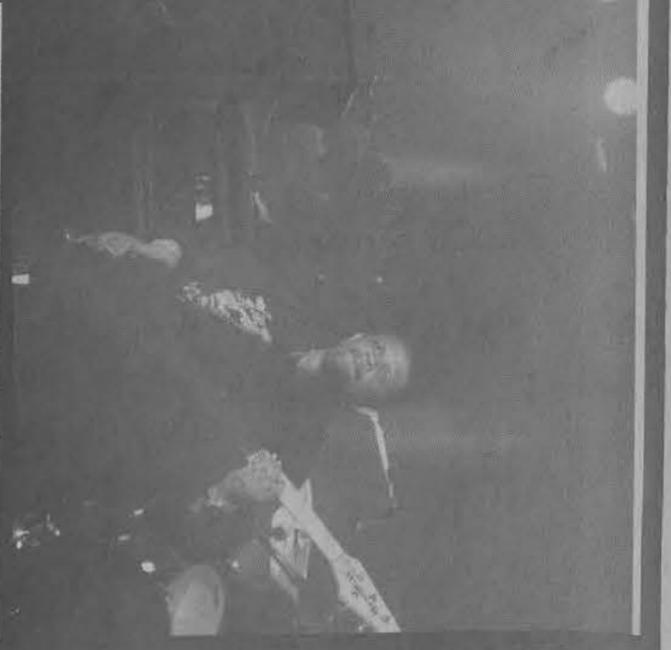
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# Unsung Lovejoy becomes hero

**Kelly A. Scafariello**  
Layout/A&E Editor

"Lovey dovey, she likes to party, she don't cause trouble and she don't hurt nobody." This is the cheer a softball spectator would expect to hear when Melissa Lovejoy steps up to the plate. Lovejoy, known to everyone as Missy is the unsung hero to the RWU softball team.

Lovejoy, a senior has left her mark this season with leading the team in batting average with .384. She also led the team in hits (33), runs (22), on-base percentage (.436), and slugging percentage (.570). Lovejoy also tied for the lead in doubles (2) and triples (2).

In past seasons, she played in the outfield; however, for this season, coach Steve Pappas had a different role for her. She knew her role as an offensive/defensive player was changed and she accepted it.

"At first it was a bit disappointing, but during the season I began to love the role as designated hitter," she stated. When Lovejoy was up to bat, the team never had to worry, they knew she would come through. She came through at key moments in



games.

One of her most memorable games was against Rivier College in New Hampshire. She did exceptionally well that game hitting a grand slam and a home run. Another memorable game was against Suffolk University in Boston. "Our team played exceptionally well that day. We went 10 innings and gave it our all," said Lovejoy.

She said that with this year's team there was so much encouragement and willingness to play, that it became a motivator to her. "I am going to miss Murph (Murphy), Shannon (Vassallo), Dena (Castricone), and Marny (Hall). If they weren't on the

team the past four years, we wouldn't have as good seasons as we did and as much fun as we did."

The freshmen also played a vital role this year in her mind. "They were just great and supportive. I am going to miss them." She is also going to miss Sandra (MacCue) a junior. They have become good friends over the years. Her teammates don't just recognize her for her great hitting, but as a wholesome person.

Freshman Nicole Gallant said, "Missy had a great sense of humor. She always made me feel comfortable." Dena Castricone, a senior, said, "Missy is a true team player.

You can always count on her cheering if she is on the bench and if she is on the field, you know she will do a good job. You can always count on her."

Sandra MacCue, a junior, said, "Someone who goes unnoticed but is responsible for the team's success." Castricone told a story about how it was the team's last game, a day before the Commencement Ball, a formal dance for graduating seniors. In one specific play, Lovejoy dove head first into a base knowing very well she could get a scratch or bruise. "She got a big scratch on her arm, and she did it for the team," said Castricone.

Ray Cordeiro, Associate Athletic Director said, "What an outstanding year she had. If there was a key moment in the game, bang! She was there with a hit!" He continued, "Missy deserves it, she is a wonderful person, it was nice to see."

Lovejoy has truly been a valuable asset to the Hawk's success. She has come through in clutch situations. The team will definitely miss her next year. Castricone finished up by saying, "Everyone loves Missy."

The women's softball squad finished with a 15-18 record, tying the school record for victories in a season which was set when the 1997 team finished 15-15.

In the CCC playoffs they hosted ninth-seeded Anna Maria College in the preliminary round and pulled out a 9-7 victory. They advanced into the quarterfinals where they dropped a 2-0 decision to top-seeded Regis College.

The highlight of their season was surely their trip to Ft. Myers, Florida during spring break where they posted a 3-4 record and were able to prepare for their season up north.

When is the next "BG" tournament??? BG or Bust! Wentworth beats Eastern Nazerine College.

## Congratulations to all female and male athletes of the week over the past school year.

### Soccer

Paul Allzapiedi  
Erin Betourney  
Paul Vollaro  
Valerie Payeur  
Peter Ferrera  
Karen Kazarosian

### Sailing

Kris Davis

### Cross Country

Matt Cecere  
Catherine Sumislaski

### Hockey

James Pazzaglia  
Todd Norton

### Volleyball

Kelly A. Scafariello  
John Harper  
Toni Pratt  
Luke Baron  
Jen Abrams

### Baseball/Softball

Dena Castricone  
Kevin LeClair  
Melissa Murphy  
Tom Laverriere  
Tasha Lang  
Matt Killam  
Melissa Lovejoy

### Lacrosse

Brendan McNamara  
Evan Gould

### Basketball

Ann Marie Bushway  
Liam Carr  
Melissa Bellotti  
Greg Driesh  
Melissa Butryman  
Robert Sewell  
Shannon Newman  
Chris Venino

### Wrestling

The Team  
Pete Doucet  
Danny Davis  
Keith Medeiros  
Tim Grady

### Equestrian

Sarah Mainen

## Spring wrap-up

**Richard Calebus**  
Sports Editor

The 1997-1998 athletic year is quickly coming to a close, as the spring semester draws near its end.

The baseball team captured their first regular season title in school history. The Hawk's finished the regular season with a 15-14 overall record and a very impressive 7-2 record in the Commonwealth Coastal Conference. The Hawk's also sealed up home field advantage for the conference playoffs, which will be held on Saturday May 2, at the Palino field at 2:30.

On an individual note Matt Killam a freshman from Westford, MA, claimed male athlete of the week honors. Killam pitched a complete game against Gordon College on April 25. He allowed one earned run and struck out nine. Congratulations to Matt Killam!

The women's softball team also closed out their regular season and played host to Anna Maria College in the first round of the playoffs. The

Hawks won 9-7. They played in the semi-finals against Regis College at Regis and lost. The Hawks finished up their regular season with a 3-5 conference record that placed them in eighth place in the Commonwealth Coast Conference.

Melissa Lovejoy was also named female athlete of the week. Lovejoy is a senior from Bow, NH. She along with Amy Hill led the team with two hits and two RBI's each against Anna Maria College, a regular season game which RWU easily won 9-4 on the road.

The CO-ED golf team has posted a 1-2 record in tournament play thus far. The team dropped a dual tournament against Johnson-Wales at the Swansea Country Club in Swansea, MA. Senior Ben Fleet shot 87 to lead RWU in the tournament.

RWU's Lacrosse team closed out their conference play and finished the season 5-1 in the CCC conference. The Hawk's crushed Gordon College on April 25, with the final score of 21-8. With that win the team brought their

overall record up to five hundred at 7-7. The lacrosse team, like the baseball team seems to fare much better in conference play than in non-conference games. With a 5-1 conference record, the Hawk's were able to claim the silver medal, finishing second in the conference.

The CO-Ed Sailing team competed in two regattas on Saturday, April 25, and Sunday April 26. The team competed at Tufts University where they finished in eighth place in the event. The team had only one win when Chuck Fulcher and Matt Mullan defeated Yale University in a heat.

The next day the team traveled to the Bristol Yacht Club to participate in the Brown University Invite, where the team placed seventh out of nine teams. The sailing team however has had a difficult season trying to bounce back from the recent loss of Lester Abels.

Les Abels was RWU's sailing coach for six years and passed away earlier in the month to cancer.

## Pitch-er Perfect

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Layout/A&E Editor

The RWU baseball team had a tremendous season, making it into the Commonwealth Coast Conference Championships. The team had some key players to help them get there. One of those key players was freshman Matt Killam.

Killam, an Architect major from Chelmsford MA posted a record of five wins, one loss and one save with an ERA (Earned Run Average), of 3.06. That is a pretty impressive record for a first year player. Killam is not new to winning.

He came from a high school sports program that was used to winning. Killam was the third pitcher to his "extremely good" team. He has adjusted to college life at RWU quite well, especially where baseball is concerned. Just last week he received the honor of Male Athlete of the Week.

Killam stated, "When I came here (RWU) this fall, I didn't expect this." In his first season as a pitcher, he has not only gained a starting position in the roster but some



great memories and friends. Killam said, "My most memorable game, the one that first comes to mind is the Championship game."

He was not the starting pitcher but coach Val Innocente put him in the game as relief pitcher. "I came in the game after pitching the day before. I got out of a couple of jams."

He has some memories on a personal note. One of the best things about the year was that it was a team effort. Everybody loved everybody. "We hung out all the time and played well together," he said.

Over the next three years with Matt Killam's strong arm and easy going personality, the RWU baseball team will have much success.

## Murphy named Student-Athlete of year Melissa Murphy tops pitching records for RWU

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Layout/A&E Editor

RWU's star softball pitcher Melissa Murphy has been the team's starting pitcher for the past four seasons. Over the past four seasons, Murphy has become the most prolific pitcher in the school's history.

She holds the records for the most complete games (100), most innings pitched (643), strikeouts (237), shutouts (10) and lets not forget she is the all-time leader in victories with 52.

If that is not enough, she has been named to the All-Conference Second Team for the past two seasons. Murphy known to her team and close friends as "Murph" was awarded the Distinguished Student-Athlete of the Year award.

On Wednesday, April 29, Murphy along with eight other student-athletes representing each college and university in Rhode Island were given this award at a banquet held in their honor.

The banquet was made possible by the Rhode Island



Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women. It was held at Johnson & Wales University. Jim Cook, Intramural Director was the representative liaison from RWU's Athletic Department to the RIAIAW. Cook stated, "We (Athletic Dept.) asked each full time staff member in the department and coach to nominate a player who has excelled. Once all the players were nominated, we sat down and voted. Melissa Murphy was the chosen athlete."

I had an opportunity to speak with "Murph" and ask her to reflect a bit on her final

season. She stated that the best part of the season was the spring break trip to Florida. For one week, while college students basked in the sun in areas such as Cancun and South Padre, Murphy and the rest of the team played pre-season games in Fort Myers.

Murphy said, "In comparison to last year, we (the team) all got along better and became much closer." She also felt this year's team was overall the best group she has ever played with. "We just all clicked," commented Murphy.

The most memorable game this season to her was the

game versus Regis College in the quarterfinals of the Commonwealth Coast Conference. She said, "I have never seen our team play better defense." Unfortunately, the Hawk's lost due to Regis's two lucky runs in the last inning of the game.

When talking to Murphy, you can get this feeling that she is a true team player. She constantly praises her teammates and encourages them. When I asked what she is going to miss the most about the team, she said, "I am definitely going to miss the freshmen that I have become close to."

They were awesome to become friends with." She continued to say, "I will also miss the upperclassmen and Sandra (MacCue)." One thing is certain is that her team will miss her too. Freshman Nicole Gallant said, "She's my favorite, she's just Murph!"

Senior Dena Castricone said, "Murph is the strongest pitcher, mentally and physically that I have ever met. She takes balls off the head, pitches 14 innings in a row without complaining and just

goes out there and does a great job every time."

Junior Sandra MacCue said, "Murph is a leader on and off the field who always wears a smile." Not only do her teammates respect her, but the athletic faculty as well. Ray Cordeiro, Associate Athletic Director commented, "For four years she has been unbelievable. It didn't matter, win or lose, she was ready to pitch every game and wanting to play." He continued to say, "Murph is outstanding!"

It is obvious that Melissa "Murph" Murphy has left a mark not only to the Athletic Department but she has also touched the lives of her teammates and staff.

When asked any final thoughts, she said, "I will never forget all the memories and my best friends I have gained." She also wanted to make sure next year's infield will carry on all her traditions and superstitions.

With all the growth of the team as a whole and the bond that developed between the pitcher and her infield, I don't think she has anything to worry about.