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Chancellor Santoro Resigns

Siting health reasons the Chancellor steps down, but not out. Will stay in the RWU community as a teacher and consultant.



Mixed Reactions and emotions to the resignation of Chancellor Santoro

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Contributing Writer

Some funny, some serious and others sad. There are many mixed reactions to the resignation of Roger Williams University's Chancellor Anthony Santoro. Although he will no longer be leading the university, he will be missed as our Chancellor, say many. These are some of the reactions received when asking students, faculty and staff:

"I'll miss seeing him driving around in his golf cart with a hoard of visitors holding on for dear life." Susan Pasquarelli, Associate Professor Literacy Education

"Initially I was deeply saddened, I really enjoyed working with him. I think it's personally good for him, and I wish him the best." Diane Comiskey, Associate Professor

"I think he will be missed, he needs to do what makes him happy." Kendra Parkins, Junior

"I'll miss watching his Tuesday ideas coming to fruition by the close of school on Wednesday." Susan Pasquarelli, Associate Professor Literacy Education

"I was surprised at the timing of the resignation, considering all of the building going on around campus (dorms, parking garage, plans to revises student union and recreation center)" June Speakman, Associate Professor of Political Science

"I was sad because Chancellor Santoro was the only CEO that I have known since I worked here. However, I'm happy for him that he is able to spend time with his family and get back

to what he loves, which is teaching." Richard Stegman, Dean of Students

"I feel he did it because he needed to. He has done well for our university as well as for others. Maybe he feels he can't do anymore. I am thrilled he will be teaching at the Law School and hope to someday be in class with him." Christopher Burke, sophomore.

"Stunned would be the way to describe my reaction. He has been instrumental in so many of the positive things that have happened at the university since his arrival that I feel he will be greatly missed, even though he will still be a part of the campus with his teach-

plant and the meteoric rise in the institution's academic quality and reputation, as chronicled by U.S. News." Professor Carl T. Bogus, Associate Professor of Law

"I am surprised and disappointed." Ryan Grindrod, Junior

Along with the reactions from the campus community, Chancellor Santoro added his reactions as well as those of his family. When asked how his family felt, Santoro said, "My family is very thrilled, they want me to be able to relax a little more." He also added, "They also know I have a passion for teaching, so they're happy I will



The Chancellor talks with perspective students outside in the quad.
-Yearbook Staff Photo

ing, his first love." Ray Cordeiro, Associate Athletic Director and Bristol Town Representative

"Anthony Santoro transformed Roger Williams from a local college into a regional university. His accomplishments are evident in the stunning improvements in campus and physical

be able to teach more at the Law School." In closing, Santoro added "I am pleased with my decision and I feel it comes at an appropriated time in my life."

Santoro hopes the transition to his successor runs smoothly and is "virtually seamless."

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Editor's Notes

Well the millennium has *officially* begun now and with it has come the inevitable: change.

Change, I guess, is expected nowadays; however, I am not a huge fan of change. I like to be spontaneous every once in a while, but when it all comes down to it, I eat vanilla ice cream, I order the same thing at dinner, and I like to have stability. Maybe I'm not the only one, who knows. I consider myself old-fashioned in the sense that I don't like change.

Recently, it has been brought to my attention that perhaps change is for the better. Like *The Hawk's Eye*, for instance; I realize that it has gone through more transitions than Madonna, but has it fully evolved into what it truly needs to be? I don't think I hold the answer to this question anymore.

I have decided to step down from my position as Editor-in-Chief of *The Hawk's Eye*, as well as curb my involvement with the paper entirely. It is not for lack of interest, lack of time, or lack of knowledge, but merely for lack of sanity at this point.

You see, for about a year, I have been dealing with a majority of serious issues, including my health, my family, and my status at this University. Last year, I admit openly, I made a large number of mistakes regarding all three, and I blame only myself for that. Due to those factors, however, I am currently on academic probation. Apparently, Senate has rules about people on academic probation being an officer of a club or organization. It makes sense, really, and I suppose that perhaps I wouldn't be thrown out after-all, but I just am tired of fighting.

Also, I have been gravely disrespected by a number of people on my staff, as well as professors. I am always open to constructive criticism, and continually take it in stride to better myself and the paper, regardless of what the problem is. But, what I received was not criticism, it was blatant disrespect. I was not told "this is broken, fix it." I was told "this is broken, you broke it, you suck." As a professor explained to me, *The Hawk's Eye* is not a one-person effort, and I agree. That is one of the many reasons I believe we have improved this year, because we had a great deal of support and submissions from outside sources and it didn't have to be a one-man show any longer. It is supposed to be a group effort, but when no one in the group supports the leader, it merely becomes a matter of rebellion and a chore, and I understand that. I would feel the exact same way.

Rather than hold the staff behind, I urge them to continue on the path that I started them on. As meek as they deem my efforts to be, I worked very hard to bring this paper to where it is, and to where it would eventually prosper.

I've enjoyed my time as Editor-in-Chief, and, as much as I hate it, change comes and we all have to deal with it. Enjoy the upcoming issues of *The Hawk's Eye*, and I encourage you all to criticize, comment, and contribute so that it can be where you expect it to be.

Thank you for your support,
Aly Mase

Stegman appointed new Dean of Students

By Aly Mase

The administration has finally answered the long-awaited question of "Who will replace Karen Haskell?"

On Friday, December 8th, a memo was sent to all students informing them that the search for a new Dean of Students (Vice President for Academic Affairs) has come to a close. After a long search, which began last year upon the notice of Karen Haskell's retirement, administration realized that they had a qualified applicant internally.

Mr. Richard Stegman, formerly the Director of Student Life, was appointed the Co-Acting Dean of Students with Mr. Michael Cunningham at the beginning of this academic year until the search for a replacement was com-

pleted. During that time, applicants from outside universities were interviewed by administration, faculty and students for consideration. Although the feedback from those who interviewed the new applicants was good, the administration felt that something was still missing.

Upon more in depth thought, the administration then realized that they already had someone for the job: Richard Stegman performed the duties of Dean of Students with diligence. With his knowledge and experience in Student Life and other areas of the university, it was decided by the administration that Richard Stegman would be the one to fill the position of Dean of Students. Now a new search is in place for Director of Housing.

Editorials

Dear Ms. Mase:

Thank you! I was very amused by your letter entitled: "O' Canada" in the November 20 issue of The Hawk's Eye. Thanks for the motivation- this is the first time I've been inclined to write a letter to an editor. I'd also like to say thank you to your brother's 6th grade social studies teacher; she obviously taught him well.

As a male, non-traditional Roger Williams University student, furthering my education a little late in life, I think I have pretty liberal views on most of life's issues. I'm usually the one supporting the "underdog," but if you want me to support Al Gore—Vice President during our wonderful Clinton Administration, where they have taught our American families everything but traditional values, I cannot.

Now, I may not have that "June Cleaver fantasy of America" but I do know that we were allowed to say a prayer in school, and we had no fears of classmates coming in blowing people away because they were pissed off or had a lousy unsu-

pervised home life. The only AIDS around were the band-aids the school nurse put on the scrapes I got when I stood up to the class bully on the playground for defending some girls from his inappropriate antics. I guess I could blame my parents for that one, they taught me traditional values.

As far as the tragedy at Columbine High School is concerned, I cannot speak for Governor Bush, but I have obviously no doubt that the shootings there shocked and affected him as deeply as they did the rest of us. He is, after all, a father. I think the shootings meant something to every American. Every time we hear of a child committing a violent crime, it shows us all how low we have let our moral fiber erode. When you say "murderers can get a gun anywhere and anytime they want," I agree with you, and it scares the hell out of me so much so that I have a few guns of my own. (Legally, I might add, which nowadays almost takes an act of Congress to do). So please do not tell me we need more controls. I say take away all the

controls and let everyone have a gun! If everyone is on the same playing field, it might make people think before using a gun for a crime.

Now for your Civil Unions and gay and lesbian adoptions, this might shock you, but I support them. Hey, I'm from the 60's, but I would want traditional values taught in the home. When loving parents (whatever their sexual preferences) rear well-adjusted children who know right from wrong, respect the rights of others, and know the value of life, I support them.

When it comes to the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, that phrase was coined by the Clinton administration, and I want no part of it. I believe if you make a mistake, you should own up to it and accept the consequences, not lie about it. I don't necessarily blame Al Gore for Clinton's screw-ups, but I do think the entire administration should shoulder some of the responsibility for the "wonderful" lessons our children learned over the past eight years. I voted for George W. Bush because I know he's got

good parents, good morals, and he's going to want to make his family proud, proud to be an American.

I am one of those people who are proud to be an American. I survived eight long years of the Clinton Administration, and all I have to say is that you will survive just fine through Bush's Presidency. If you fear that you will be so "deeply affected" by this administration, I wonder why you haven't left yet! Let me remind you, however, when you get to Canada, you'll have no BUSH!

Yours truly,
Michael P. Hartnett

Mr. Hartnett,

I am excited to have generated at least one response from my political opinions, so I do thank you. Allow me to make a few points, however. Bush is a very family-oriented President, enriched in the traditional values of past time America, which is wonderful. However, once those values become exclusive and alienate

other cultures, philosophies and ideas, it becomes a tyranny over American ideals. For instance, Bush is extremely anti-abortion; he has already cut funding to clinics in his first month in office. I must accept the fact that there are many different opinions on abortion, and I will agree to disagree with anyone on the subject. However, once the Presidential administration begins forcing its own personal view upon the public, they begin to take away the right for each citizen to have an opinion.

I am very supportive of everyone's right to have an opinion, which I have always accepted and respected. I understand that it is not my duty to change anyone's opinions, but to at least grant them the freedom to think and speak about the issues that are important to them. I don't recall having the chance to vote on the abortion funding cut, do you Mr. Hartnett? Regardless of what your views are, in a democratic government, regardless of who is in office, we must express and utilize our right to an opinion, and our right to a voice in America.



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5. Students with appointments and those who are extremely ill will be seen ahead of "walk-ins".

News

Health concerns for himself and his family, among others, why Santoro made decision to step down

**By Nicole Fitzmeyer
Contributing Writer**

The Roger Williams community has been filled with a couple of unanswered questions concerning Anthony J. Santoro's decision to step down from the chancellor position. Santoro himself made it clear that he needs more time to spend on himself and on his family due to his recent surgery. He has also had to deal with his wife's rare illness; a problem that he said "had him worried for a while."

In the open letter to the RWU family Santoro stated, "I have experienced some health problems and although these have been addressed, they have understandably, prompted me to consider both the interests of the university family and those of my immediate family." Santoro also said that he had a recent surgery to correct blockage in his carotid arteries, and this has afforded him time to rethink his priorities. He said that he is fine now, but he just wants to settle down and take some more time out for himself and his family.

Right now his wife, Pauline Plante Santoro, is ill with insulinoma, an illness that he described as "a tumor on the pancreas that needs insulin, so much insulin that it robs her of sugar." This has been going on for a number of years, but it was finally diagnosed by a doctor from the National Institute of Health, across from the Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland after five years of wondering. The Institute has been doing research on this rare condition. In the past 30 years, they have only seen 120 cases. It is a serious problem, but they don't even know if the tumor is malignant or not. She has just gone down to the Institute for surgery.

Many people have never even heard of this rare illness unless they or someone they know has been affected with it. Insulinoma victims secrete excessive amounts of insulin, causing hypoglycemia (low blood sugar). Hypoglycemia can occur because of an insulin-secreting tumor of the pancreas, and this can produce multiple tumors. As of now, there is no known way to prevent the development of insulinoma, the only thing to do is to go through surgery.

Surgery is the preferred treatment for insulinoma. During the surgery the tumor is localized with diagnostic testing or exploration. At least 15 percent of the pancreas is left to avoid malabsorption, (failure to absorb sugars, fats, proteins, or other nutrients) due to lack of pancreatic enzymes.

Many of the faculty here have expressed concern about Santoro and his wife's health. Professor Lana Brackett said, "it's a shame, Pauline is one of the nicest people that you'll ever meet." She is not the only professor expressing concern either. A lot of the teachers and faculty, as well as the students, have expressed their best wishes for the Chancellor and his wife.



Chancellor Santoro seen here with his wife Pauline and two recent graduates, Lisa Hickey and Chuck Stanley at last years Commencement Ball.

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Boston firm being used in search for new CEO

By Becky Steele and Ryan Connors
Contributing Writers

In light of Chancellor Santoro's decision, many questions are raised as to RWU's future; both in terms of its affect on the current administrative team and Santoro's possible successors.

While any changes would be left to the jurisdiction of RWU's new CEO, Santoro doesn't foresee any layoffs. "I don't think [the change] will have a negative impact on those [administration members] currently here," he assured. Such a change [on the part of my successor] would be short sighted."

The search for a CEO begins in less than a week when chairman Ralph Papitto and the Board of Trustees start looking for the next Roger Williams

University leader.

To the knowledge of Santoro and the Board of trustees, there are no candidates in mind at this time for the position of CEO. To assist the Board in locating qualified candidates, RWU is utilizing the search firm Isaacson Miller, Boston. Applications from faculty and staff interested in the position are also being accepted, and these nominations are to be forwarded to the search firm via Human Resources.

When asked if the new CEO would bring change, Papitto responded, "not revolutionary, if it's warranted, we will listen."

Some faculty expressed surprise in the business like term of CEO rather than the academic friendly President or Chancellor. However, Papitto did informed about the next CEO, "expect an

Academic background", but not ruling out a businessman if there was an "outstanding individual."

According to Papitto, the next CEO will be chosen between "three months to a year" and will continue to pursue the goal of RWU to be the "Best regional school in New England."

President Joseph Hagan has declined candidacy for the position. "As with Tony Santoro, my friend and colleague, I am prepared to retain my current responsibilities through the transition, and to accept assignments from the new CEO once he or she is aboard," he said.

She'd give her right leg to get an 'A'

Diana Golden Brosnihan, U.S. Olympic Gold Medallist, talks to the Creative Writing Program about how the process of creative non-fiction can be therapeutic.

By J. Layne
Contributing Writer

Shari Alvanas, associate professor of Creative Writing at Roger Williams University, had no idea what she was in for during one of her classes.

"She doesn't even give you a peak about her fame," said Alvanas. "When I first encountered her, she said she'd give her right leg to get an 'A' in my class." Alvanas laughed for a good 10 to 15 seconds while reminiscing that statement.

From that point on, Alvanas and U.S. Olympic gold medallist, author, professional motivational speaker, wife, and human existence, Diana Golden Brosnihan, continued their friendship after their teacher-student relationship, which ultimately brought Mrs. Brosnihan to Roger Williams University. Brosnihan has written several essays that were published in an array of well selling material such as Life magazine, Skiing magazine, The Dartmouth College alumni publication, Women's Sports and Fitness magazine, Chicken Soup for the Woman's soul, and so on. But why so extraordinary?

The answer to both that question and the reason for Alvanas' laughter is that Diana Golden Brosnihan literally has a single leg, her left leg and has acquired all of her accomplishments in this condition.

She lost her leg at the age of twelve and continued to excel since, winning a gold medal in ski racing at the Calgary Winter Olympics as

well as 29 other events world wide.

Her success has been the topic of motivational speeches given to thousands upon thousands in a basketful of places. The list goes on and on, but a prodigious catharsis in her life was the emancipation of writing.

Alvanas' beginning creative writing workshop had been discussing the art of creative non-fiction. She called on her friend, Brosnihan, to speak about the writing process of two essays that dealt with life experiences ranging from her gold medal run to stays at the psychiatric ward-unlocked by severe depression from the fact that she is terminally ill with cancer.

However, all mellow-drama is placed on a leash outside: "I am terrified of writing melodramatic shlock," said Brosnihan on her memoir writing. "It's the ultimate sin in my mind."

She and her dog, Midnight Sun, walk into the cramped and cluttered classroom of about 20 or so writers with a jar of potential energy. At this point, she begins speaking of her experiences with writing. "Being that this is a writing class, I'm going to do this differently than I normally would," said Brosnihan as she settled in. "Usually I'd come in and get you all riled up, but thank goodness that's not what my job is today."

She did not discuss her fame or become her own bereaved. She talked about how writing kept her life stable.

Brosnihan applied to the MFA program at Vermont

College, which educated both Shari Alvanas and Martha Christina, both associate professors of Creative Writing.

The process of writing this essay was a difficult task for her at first. She was to take three vague and boring questions and make 2 to 3 pages out of them.

One of the questions covered the amount of time she spend writing seriously. "I don't really write seriously, I write sporadically," said Brosnihan in her essay. "Ski racing will always be my number one."

By "not writing seriously" she meant that she is not a "writer" like a Sharon Olds or a Toni Morrison, whose life passion is to write and teach writing, but that she enjoys the process thoroughly enough for it to improve the quality of her life. She never attended the MFA program because she did not want to become tied down with academics at that point in her life.

She also spoke of an essay that was written for the alumni association at Dartmouth College, which turned out to be an important work in her life.

The piece, "To Die Loving Life," was a bridge over the tumults of dealing with a terminal illness, although she may not have intended that in the beginning.

"It took me a good year to write this essay," explained Brosnihan. "I would turn on the computer fearing the melodrama that is attached to my missing breasts, uterus, and terminal diseases. If that's not fuel for melodrama, I don't know what is."

The essay comfortably leans on her relationship with her husband, nature, and ski racing. But it drifts back to certain slides of the past that were difficult to view: chemotherapy, psychotherapy, biopsies,

etc. to verify that "triumph can come to a tormented mind."

It goes through certain stages of her dealings before and after finding out she was terminally ill.

"Putting the more difficult stuff on paper gave me a chance to get the harshness out of me," said Brosnihan. "It made the idea [of dying] more concrete."

A 4 to 5 month seminar at Brosnihan's alma mater, Dartmouth College, in memoir writing helped her to arrive at this point and eventually come to terms.

Having that concrete thought on paper changed the way her friends and family perceived her illness as well. "My friends and family saw me as the Golden girl," said Brosnihan. "She can win Gold medals with one leg then she can surely beat this cancer thing with no problem."

After reading the article, her friends and family began to realize the magnitude of her inner thoughts. Before the essay, Brosnihan would add a vagueness to her answer to them, but now her essay speaks for itself.

The fixing of Brosnihan's thoughts help her and her surrounding supporters have a tangible take on what was going on in her mind.

Brosnihan admits that when grief overrides her, it is a self-proclaimed and obvious progress for her emotionally, that writing the essay proved to be therapeutic in a way. "If I wrote the article now, it would reflect vibrancy," said Brosnihan.

She currently works sporadically on an autobiographical piece that is currently left untitled as well as others.

"I had thought about the book for a while as it sat in a drawer but Shari Helped pull it out half a year ago," said Brosnihan. "I've been working

on it ever since. Given the status of the cancer, I feel like I have to pull it back out as well."

Other random concepts of fiction writing concocted by Brosnihan at the class include the revenge theory. "You can take revenge on things you hate in fiction like a nasty 'shit-head' I had to deal with on the U.S. Ski Team."

She also writes children stories which unfold some of the mysteries of life that seem so foreign to someone as a child in retrospect.

"Fiction provides answers to a child in the story that I needed as a child like when a friend dies," said Brosnihan.

Brosnihan's inspirations include Jonathan Livingston Seagull, her veggie guru, hippie high school ski coach that never let up on her, time alone in the canyons, and people with a wacky sense of love and passion.

Those who give that wacky sense of love and passion include her husband, cartoonist, Steve Brosnihan and her Siberian Husky, Midnight Sun, who was not shy to speak with her in class.

She currently resides in Bristol where she writes her works in progress, helps with an adult literacy program, and works one-on-one with a G.E.D. student.

The last paragraph of her Dartmouth essay states that she is "connected [now] where once [she] was fragmented [and that she] now knows that peace can come to a tormented mind, that there is beauty that stands in stark contrast to horror, and that there is love that comforts pain."

News

Santoro's legacy leaves standing reminders

By Erin McLaughlin and Erika Saviano
Contributing Writers

It may be difficult for anyone to fill the shoes of Anthony J. Santoro. His legacy began at Roger Williams University in 1992 when he helped lead the administration towards the formulation of a law school. It was the first law school established in the state of Rhode Island, and still is. Not only did the law school begin to attract more students and faculty, the quality of the entire university substantially grew. When Santoro was asked about his accomplishments regarding the law

school he replied: "It clearly raised the visibility of the institution."

It's a significant accomplishment to be associated with creating the first and only law school in a state. Rhode Island was one of the last to do so; only Alaska remains without. Santoro admits that before he arrived here at Roger Williams University there was much confusion about what the University really stood for. It was believed to be a 'second-chance school'.

Santoro began as the Vice President of the law school where he also taught. In 1993, his position was raised when he became the President of the entire institution. For seven years,

he displayed strong leadership skills by expanding the school in so many directions. In 2000, he continued his work with the title Chancellor. Santoro had much to do with the enhancement of the qualifications of students and faculty, studies abroad, and the recognition from being a Tier 4 to a Tier 1 in college rankings.

Since then there has been much more coming together, where students looking for a four year college education apply and know they are heading off to a sophisticated, well-rounded university.



Chancellor speaking to the graduates, family, and friends at commencement.
-Photo from Yearbook Staff

Growth in and around the university during Santoro's tenure as much academic as physical

By Mike Lynch and Marc Stroum
Sports Editors

With the recent resignation of Roger Williams University Chancellor Anthony Santoro, the university is conducting a nationwide search for his replacement. Whomever they choose will be hard-pressed to equal the productivity of Chancellor Santoro during his time here. Roger Williams has grown by leaps and bounds during Santoro's reign as chancellor; both tangibly, by the improvement of on-campus facilities; and also through academic standing in the college community.

In Santoro's 10 years at Roger Williams University, the institution has moved from Tier 4 to Tier 1 in the *U.S. News & World Reports College* rankings for northern liberal arts colleges. The university is now ranked among such schools as Stonehill College, Colby-Sawyer College, and Merrimack College.

"This was part of Chancellor Santoro's vision to take this university to the next level," said Roger Williams University Dean of Enrollment Management Lynn Fawthrop. "He wanted to excel in the business of educating students."

Under Santoro's leadership, Roger Williams University has improved the qualifications of its faculty and student body. Over the last five years, the average SAT score of incoming freshmen has only risen slightly, but the average high school GPA of those students has risen dramatically, from 2.9 to 3.1.

"Chancellor Santoro made the decision that we couldn't accept a lot of the students we had been accepting," said Fawthrop. "Due to the fact that we had to deal with the downside of not having the 200 students we turned away due to the improved academic standards, we had to slightly build up

class size without compromising academic standards."

After that initial decision to not admit the bottom fifteen percent of the applicants, plans had to be implemented to bring enrollment back up. One of those plans implemented was the College Prep Program, which was introduced in the fall of 1995. This program helped the "conditional" student become better prepared for college life. Another program implemented was the Feinstein Service Learning Program, which gives students the opportunity to earn course credit for completing community service.

The university has brought enrollment back to the normal level and has even begun increasing the size of the student body. The last two freshman classes have approached 900 students.

"Chancellor Santoro recognizes academic excellence and has done it by giving out more merit scholarships," added Fawthrop. "The merit scholarships make us more attractive to the type of student we want."

In fact, Santoro has raised the amount of merit scholarships given out by 270 percent in the last four years. According to enrollment management statistics, need-based aid that has been given out has increased by 60 percent in those same four years. The merit scholarships have not come at the expense of those needing need-based aid.

"Chancellor Santoro wanted to make Roger Williams accessible and give students the opportunity for a higher education," said Fawthrop.

Other projects of Chancellor Santoro were the creation of the Schools of Education and Justice Studies at the university. The School of Education was just recently created during the summer of 2000, while the School of Justice Studies was formed in 1999.



"The creation of the School of Education is just another example of how our university is growing rapidly," said sophomore secondary education major Laura Bednarz. "Its creation has helped broaden the scope of the academics here and is the reason I am at this school."

Roger Williams University has also begun offering the first master's degrees in the school's history during Santoro's time at Roger Williams. Master's degrees are currently offered in criminal justice, with masters in architecture and education coming in the near future.

"These programs help Chancellor Santoro's vision of a school at the next level. This takes us to the next level," said Fawthrop.

Many of the school's professional programs have recently received accreditation as well. The School of Engineering received ABET accreditation this summer. The School of Architecture has also received accreditation, while the Gabelli School of Business is in candidacy status for accreditation. The communications program is also seeking accreditation.

"These accreditation's are a direct result of having a better quality student and a faculty with some of the most impressive credentials you will find at any college," said Fawthrop.

Along with the improvements in academics and the popularity of our school, the university has grown on the outside as many additions and renovations have been made to the building and grounds

During Anthony Santoro's tenure in office, he has been behind the scene for many projects that the school has taken on as far as buildings and grounds. He is most famous for his involvement and development of the

only Law School in the state of Rhode Island.

Santoro has had a profound effect on the building and grounds as many buildings have been built from scratch. These include the Law School, the Center for Environmental and Economic Development and the Bayside Dormitories. In addition to these, major renovations have been done to the Engineering Building, the Gabelli School of Business, Maple Dormitories, Cedar Dormitories and the Bayside Field, which hosts soccer and lacrosse games.

As he leaves his mark on Roger Williams University, Santoro has helped begin several other projects including the renovations of the Student Union and the Paolino Recreation Center. Plans are in the works for a parking garage and a new dormitory.

This is quite a list of accomplishments for a man who was in office for a little under a decade. He has spent countless hours making the school a better place for students, faculty, and staff. Senior Kenny Nappi sums it up when he says, "If you walk in the business school, you see a picture of the school in the early Nineties. Half the buildings are just dirt and grass, I say he has accomplished quite a bit."

As people look towards the Mount Hope Bridge from South Hall or the Gabelli School of Business, they see mounds of rocks and plenty of machinery showing work in progress. Once in a while, you even feel a jolt from the blasting that takes place.

With projects in the works and more advancement on the way, Anthony Santoro's replacement will have plenty of opportunities to take over where he left off.

News

Mardi Gras celebration at Bay Point is a splash.

The Alumni Association sponsored event was very successful

By Brian Rhodes
Layout Editor

Forget New Orleans. The party is happening at RWU this year. Alright, I won't lie to you, New Orleans is still king, but the Alumni Association sponsored Mardi Gras celebration in Bay Point's restaurant and bar was still a good ride.

6:50

The evening starts by hopping on the shuttle for Bay Point. There is a lot of energy on the bus at this point and nobody knows what to expect. Everybody has heard good things, but at the same time, all are thinking "What if this is another lame RWU function?"

7:00

Arrive at Bay Point and after checking in and grabbing some beads, my friends and I get down to business. The first thing I grab is a full plate of food. On my plate are some spicy food, some red Caribbean fish, black bean salad, a mound of chicken and sausage gumbo, and a couple of rolls. Next, on to the bar to grab a beer from "Chris the bartender". After an ID check, I receive a wrist bracelet, and more importantly, my first beer. On draft at Bay Point's bar were Sam Adams, Budweiser, Bud Light, Miller Light, but I went with

8:25

More students are piling in to Mardi Gras at Bay Point and there are now two bartenders working to serve drinks to thirsty students. Service takes a little longer at this point, as there is not a lot of room around the bar. The drink of choice still is beer, and mine is Killian's, but a close second for the crowd is cranberry juice and vodka.

8:30

Marc: "I want to relive my first two years here that I spent at the Clubhouse. That was a great time. This could be it. That appeal is here."

Rich: "This place is cool. Chris the bartender needs to be here for me to come though."

I am going to have to agree it has a really nice appeal. The bar is not a dump, but not too classy either.

8:45

Rose: "One nice thing is you don't have to worry about getting a designated driver now because of the shuttle. It's a nice feature."



-Photo by Marc Stroum, Staff

know he is inexperienced, and this place is jumping right now."

I have a question for Chris the bartender at this point. "Can I get a beer?" Oh, about the ID check with the PPD. Well, obviously it went well or this story would have ended at about 8:50.

9:40

Toni: "There is a lot of beer and a lot of students here, but more importantly it is a lot of good times."

Yea, I agree with that, and Toni; have another.

Marc: "Much love to the alumni for setting this up." This while he is taking the most random snap shots of people at the event. "Everyone should make sure to tip the bartender," says Marc.

Nicole: "I'm really surprised at how well this turned out. Oktoberfest was nothing compared to this."

Melissa: If they were to advertise this place and good drink prices, it could do really well. They need some music though."

Kelly: "Yeah, I thought there would be dancing. That is the only thing really missing."

9:55

After grabbing another beer, I bump into Jill at the bar.

"About time RWU got something like this and had events like this," says Jill. "This is the part of campus and college that is interactive, and where you meet people. A pub (on campus) is a really good idea."

10:05

Amy: Says she gives this place an eight or nine as she gives me a "wet willie". Since I am in the same state of affected mind as Amy, I bite her.

10:20

Grab my last beer before the beer is tapped out. According to Chris the bartender, seven kegs in a little over three hours according to were tapped by the

RWU crowd. He's going to have to ice those elbows tonight.

Beth: "I had a great time tonight. The food was really good and the atmosphere was fun. The lights were a little bright though."

I had the same problem, but I think it was because my eyes were a little dilated at the time.

Jay: "Its kind of interesting, and surprising, but in a good way. There is a good mix of people here and there were no problems."

10:30

Time to leave. From the words of a great man, well maybe not great, but an okay guy: "You don't have to go home, but ya can't stay here."

Rich: "This is one of the best time I have had in a while, I think. The best event that the school has held. This was a great idea, and I got to meet some new people."

Stuart: "Greatest thing since sliced bread."

Sam: "If you're not down with the Gras, you're not down with the Mardi."

Amy: "The nice thing is there should be no drunk drivers, because of the shuttle service."

Despite the shuttle service, I did talk with a good many designated drivers at the event. They all managed as well to have a good time.

At the end, I am in agreement with Tom from our Alumni Relations Office, that it was a good time for everyone who attended. According to Tom, there were 175 students in attendance for the celebration. There is in the works another event planned by the Alumni Association, a Cingno de Mayo event in May. For more information look on at the alumni web page; www.rwu.edu/alumnievents

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the Killian's Irish Red.

7:15

Working on my second plate of food and everybody around me so far is in agreement: the fish is awesome.

7:30

Dinner is over. Time to move onto the liquid consumption only for the remainder of the evening. The buzz so far: that this celebration has positive potential.

7:48

Grab another refreshment and go over and chill with Amy, Nicole, and Allison. They all agree that so far everything is relaxing, and the bar itself is very nice.

Amy: "It is something new, and its not Topsides with sweaty, nasty townies."

8:10

The place is starting to fill up now. Probably over 50 students are hanging out now enjoying the celebration. At this point I would have to give the evening two thumbs up. Hanging out with friends, drinking in a nice place, and having had a good meal, I like it.

Rich: "I think it sucks. I'm just kidding. It's pretty chill. This is a place I could see myself coming to during the week."

Portsmouth PD roll in and walk around for a few minutes. They approach me and ask to see my ID. I'm thinking, "of all the people they could ask, they ask me." It's like a set-up. They ask me to wait where I am. No problem, I did not have any plans of leaving.

8:55

The party is full swing at this point with over one hundred students having a good time.

Tom and Robin with the Alumni Relations Office are very pleased with the turnout and how everything is going at this point they say. Hey, I'm happy they put it on.

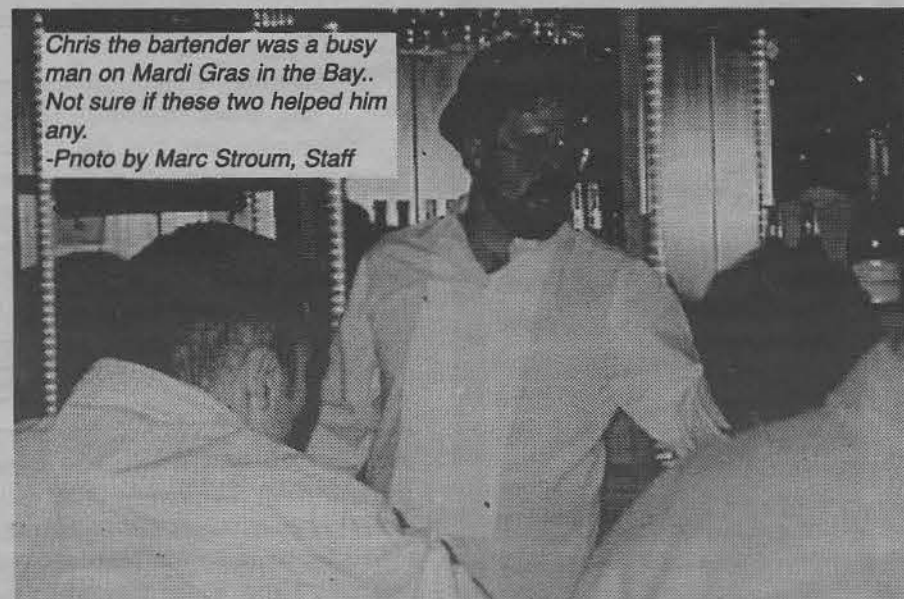
9:00

While getting another beer with Rich from Chris the bartender, Rich says, "This place is at an eight right now, and rising." So are Rich's and my blood alcohol levels. It is a pleasant surprise to see everybody not carried away with the drinking, though, and acting responsible.

9:20

Getting to the bar is a little tougher now; it is really cramped around the bar.

Deez: "I want to give a shout out to the bartender. I feel bad for him because I



Chris the bartender was a busy man on Mardi Gras in the Bay. Not sure if these two helped him any.
-Photo by Marc Stroum, Staff

HAWKS EYE

Wrestlers Doucet and Logue are headed to nationals after N.E. crowns

By Brian Rhodes
Layout Editor

The men's wrestling team finished a mere five points shy of taking home the New England College Conference Wrestling Association Championship. The tournament was held at Williams College, February 16-18.

The Hawks second place finish was a school-record setting performance and champ Trinity achieved their best performance as well. Prior to this, the RWU squad was ranked second in New England and ranked by "Wrestling USA Magazine" as 30th nationally.

Coach Dave Kemmy would probably like to know what is in the water in Rome that does not let rust form. Senior Pete Doucet spent his first semester in Rome but when he came back showed no signs of taking half the season off as he finished with a 16-2 record and defended his 157 pound title in New England.

Doucet lost to Gunner Olson of Norwich University in a 5-4 decision early in the tournament, but avenged that loss in the finals with a 3-2 victory that will send him back to nationals. In 2000, Doucet finished eighth.

The Hawks set another school mark having two champions for New England's as junior Kevin Logue scored

a 5-1 win over top seed Mark Foresi of Trinity College to join Doucet.

The NCAA Division III National Championship will be held February 28 through March 3 in Waterloo, Iowa.

Six wrestlers for the Hawks earned All-New England honors. In addition to Doucet and Logue; freshmen Joe Fitzsimons finished second, senior Joe Curran finished third, freshmen Kyle DeBias earned a fourth place spot, and junior Brian Bagdon took fifth.

The Hawks finished the regular season as Co-Champs in the Pilgrim League and had a 17-9 mark - the second-best record in school history.

Women's basketball beats Endicott to advance to the CCC quarter-finals

By Michael Lynch
Sports Editor

Freshman Caryn Ayers scored 22 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to lead the Roger Williams women's basketball team to victory over Endicott College Tuesday night in the Commonwealth Coast Conference quarterfinals at the Paolino Recreation Center.

Sophomore Marie Chartier canned three three-pointers en route to 13 points and sophomore Ashlee Vose contributed six points, grabbed a career-high 16 rebounds, and blocked four shots.

The third-seeded Hawks trailed by a 28-24 count at the half, and trailed throughout most of the second half. A late run keyed by a Lauren Hall jumper and a three-pointer

by freshman Kristin Gaynor propelled the Hawks to a berth in the semifinals against second-seeded Gordon College Thursday night in Wenham, Massachusetts. The Hawks dropped a 46-42 decision to the Fighting Scots earlier this season.

The Lady Hawks closed their basketball season on a high note, winning their last six games of the regular season. This winning streak included impressive conference wins over Wentworth, Nichols, Curry, Regis, and then top-ranked University of New England.

For her stellar play the last week of the season, Ayers was named Commonwealth Coast Conference Rookie of the Week. She averaged 20 points and 12 rebounds in the 3-0 week for the Lady Hawks.

Men's hoops season ends with loss in rematch of last season's championship

By Marc Stroum
Sports Editor

The red light flashed on top of the backboard and one of the greatest players in men's basketball history at RWU glanced up and saw his career come to an end as the team was defeated in the first round of the playoffs by Endicott College. Michael Lynch, a four-year starter and senior guard Kenny Nappi guided the Hawks to a 7th seed playoff berth in a year that was surrounded by much controversy.

During Winter Intersession, five of the men's basketball players were suspended from play and eventually suspended from school for violating school rules. Two key starters and three key bench players were involved in a fight that led to the suspension for the remainder of the season and their dismissal from school.

With only seven players at one point, the squad who was sitting in first place lost eight games before winning their last four league games to allow them to reach the playoffs. "We definitely played through a lot of controversy, all we could do was play hard and hope for a shot at the playoffs," said

senior captain Kenny Nappi. That they did. Tired and weak, the team worked hard as a unit and managed to stay upbeat as they struggled in the conference.

"It was difficult with only 2 or 3 subs coming off the bench, it put a lot of pressure on the players, said Matt McCarthy a sophomore on the squad. McCarthy had a lot of weight placed on his shoulders as he was forced into carrying the bulk of the load at the point guard spot. He became a starter over night and was a key figure in leading the team down the stretch.

McCarthy and the squad had to deal with no bench and several teams who could run a press on them and tire them out. McCarthy got bailed out for the last nine games as Marco Barrera, who had quit before the season started, came back to join the team and help them for the remainder of the season.

The team had key league victories over Wentworth, Nichols, University of New England, and Curry to enable them to squeeze into the playoffs. "The Wentworth game is what really sparked us, that was the turning point," said Lynch. This game kept them in the race. Michael Gagnon, who

had struggled all game from the floor, hit a huge shot in the lane with 2 seconds left to lift the Hawks to a 53-51 victory.

Following the Wentworth game, Lynch took over in all three games and took the team on his shoulders as he led them to three huge wins. Lynch went on a scoring tear as he averaged 28 points in those three games and was named ECAC player of the week. Against UNE, he had a career high 35 points followed up in his last game with 34 against Curry.

The team ended its run on Tuesday night with a loss to the 2nd seed in the tournament Endicott College. Although they kept it close and managed to get within 2 points at 47-45, Endicott held on and was able to seal the victory late in the game. They went on to win 69-63 and advance to the next round.

For the Hawks, it marked the end for two courageous seniors and it marked the end to a team that had made it through a season of chaos. Despite the ups and downs, the players that remained performed at high levels day in and day out and giving themselves a chance as they reached the playoffs.

Updates:

Mens' Soccer team honored with R.I. small school soccer team of the year award.

Stuart Hulke is awarded with All-American honors and finishes in the top 15 among goal scorers.

Go Hawks

