The University has become the first higher education institution in Rhode Island to formally develop an agreement, referred to as a memorandum of understanding, with Day One. The organization, the state’s sexual assault and trauma center, has worked with the University for years in various capacities, with the agreement being officially finalized on Jan. 1 of this year.

Talks of the official partnership started in the fall following the University’s efforts to reach out to them, wherein Day One, McMahon. “We had a previous relationship with them, so this is very much all on the same page,” he said. “We’ve had a strong relationship with them, so this is not an arduous process at all; we were extremely responsive.”

“IT was pretty seamless. They provided one draft and we made a couple revisions and it was approved, so it was not an arduous process at all; we were very much all on the same page,” said Dean of Students Kathryn McMahon. “We had a previous relationship with them, so this is not a new brand new. We’ve been working closely with them for years, both in terms of training our staff and making referrals. So, we’ve had a strong relationship with them for years.”

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Love Is Love Valentine’s Dance

University first in R.I. to partner with Day One

RJ Scofield
News Editor

The University began working with AIDS Project Rhode Island in the fall of 2013, and now provides clinics on a monthly basis. February’s clinic was cancelled due to snow, but the service will now resume as scheduled.

While Health Services can also provide students with HIV testing at any time, students are charged for this test, and must set up an appointment beforehand. Additionally, although any information is kept entirely confidential, a student’s name is still attached to the test. AIDS Project Rhode Island clinics differ in that they are free of charge and completely anonymous, explained Director of Health Education Donna Darmody. “The clinic doesn’t even ask for your name,” Darmody said. “You go in, and if you’re the third person, your name is ‘number three.’”

Additionally, Darmody explained that the test is now conducted using a rapid oral HIV blood test, meaning that no blood-draw is necessary. However, educational aspects were also incorporated in a format that would be appealing to young minds.

One of the first tables closest to the entrance was a hair table. There, attendees could learn about picks, products, techniques, and types of hair. Products and tools were strewn across the table, and one could pick up and experiment with them, along with learning the use and importance of each. As another table, students could create bracelets using an assortment of colorful beads and yard. The bracelets weren’t intended to represent the culture, but more so to signify that someone attended the festival. Students also could create their own drums using cardstock, paper cups, rubber bands, and more. They were quite small and taught people who partook the origin of the drums and how Africans went about to make their own drums using cards, paper cups, rubber bands, and more. They were quite small and taught people who partook the origin of the drums and how Africans went about to make them over the years.

As the table adjacent to the drums station, a man spoke about the act of playing drums. However, educational aspects were also incorporated in a format that would be appealing to young minds.

The Black History Month Festival took place Saturday, Feb. 7 in the Field House. The festival was the first in R.I. to partner with Day One. The event was not solely focused on education, with cultural informative activities and some crafts and music also featured.

The event was held in a table-to-table fashion, where students walked around and experienced various cultural activities at different tables. After attending each table students received a ticket. A total of two tickets allowed people to receive Ethiopian food and drink. At every table, there was a small poster board explaining the culture of each station.

“Essentially, the festival idea is to simply celebrate black culture. However, educational aspects were also incorporated, but in a format that would be appealing to young minds,” Kerri Tallman, Herald Contributor, said.

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"For S.A.F.E., [the dance] was a romantic event for students to seek out resources both on and off campus. But the novel also provided attendees with something that's new." McMahon said. "It makes their work a lot easier, so we've been referring to them in the area, in Rhode Island, for being black. Though a lot of on-campus resources like counseling and police brutality can be brought in, the University an accessible and important piece of literature for modern readers. Each year, an established the Birss Memorial Lecture Series. The series focuses on a new novel each year, and it has a relevant message that is especially relevant in American society. DeVevo first learned about Native Son in a special topic English class at RWU, and read many novels written by African American writers. "Native Son was one of the novels that I read in class," DeVevo said. "I thought it was absolutely my favorite one, and probably an all-time favorite novel. It's about the most disturbing and amazing story I've ever read. It generates a lot of debate and discussion because most people have a very strong reaction one way or another to the story," DeVevo said.

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A more comfortable way to be proactive

Academic Allocations

Student Senate has created a new committee for students or student groups applying for funding for academic trips or projects.

The Academic Allocations Committee meets every other Wednesday at 2 PM in GHH 200. You are required to register by 2 PM the Wednesday prior to the committee in order to present your trip or project.

You can find more information as well as the application on the Student Senate OrgSync page.

Budgets

Clubs remember budgets are due March 6th at 5 PM. You have to hand them in at S&GL.

Scholarships

Apply for Student Senate scholarship. Applications can be found on OrgSync now. They close on March 20th.

Open Debate

Have an idea or question? Come to Student Senate and introduce it during open debate this Thursday. The date has been moved earlier in the Senate meeting agenda. Hope to see you at the next meeting!
The Hawks’ Herald is looking for a new columnist to write about heartaches, heartthrobs, love, sex, and more.

Think you have what it takes? Contact hawksherald@gmail.com

Feeling Racy?

EDITORIAL: Honesty and integrity

Andrew Grausae
Sports Editor

As a journalism major on campus, there is one thing that has been clear throughout all of the courses I have taken: journalists are nothing without credibility. Over the past couple weeks, NBC’s Brian Williams has had his credibility and his honesty put to the test.

It was discovered that Williams, who is the lead anchor of NBC’s Nightly News, has been lying about his experiences over the past decade. From having his helicopter shot at in Iraq to stories as a journalist while working there. He was then fired from his job and The New York Times ran a front-page story outlining what he had done after his termination. Although both the Blake case and the Williams case include lies, they are slightly different. Williams lied about his personal stories as a journalist while Blake lied about the actual news published in The New York Times. But at the end of the day, they are both deemed as people who haven’t told the truth, which is tough company for Williams to be associated with.

In this new age of technology, there is so much emphasis for journalists to build their personalities, grow their Twitter followers and make a name of themselves. Every journalist looks up to another journalist from history and says, “I want to be like them”, which makes the process of building a name for yourself very stressful. Another piece of this new age of technology is that if you make a mistake, you probably aren’t going to get away with it and Williams will victim to that.

Do I think Williams is a bad guy? No. Honestly, I think he tried to build himself up to be bigger than he was instead of just letting his resume speak for itself. Now whether Williams loses his job at NBC will be something to look for. Some people might say that it would be harsh for him to lose his position, but as I said previously, journalists are nothing without credibility and Williams’ credibility is now in question. That is not something that the lead anchor of NBC’s Nightly News can have.

In my opinion, Williams days as the lead anchor on The Nightly News should be over. I am sure that he will land a position on another news station with his history, but for now, he should pay the consequences for his actions. You can’t lie as a journalist, even if it is about your own experiences, you just can’t.
Keeping students safe in the snow

Troy Robinson
Herald Contributor

The past few weeks have played host to a relentless wave of winter storms that have hampered and frustrated the Roger Williams University community. As a result, the full semester has started off at a rather awkward pace; due to cancellations, some classes haven't met once or twice, while others, namely Monday night classes, have yet to meet.

Whether we rejoice over the days off or despise over the boulders this plow of course leads, one thing is clear—overall, school officials did an admirable job in keeping the community updated over the past weeks, and worked smartly to keep all safe (with one exception).

It all began on Monday, Jan. 26, with the start of Blizzard Juno. The RWU Emergency Response Team notified the University of the "impending snowstorm", and warned that the snowfall would continue throughout Tuesday. Predicting up to two feet of snow, the Emergency Response Team smartly canceled all classes, lasting from Monday evening until Thursday morning.

On Tuesday, Jan. 29, shortly after Blizzard Juno swept through campus, University President Donald Farish issued a statement praising University staff for their efforts, "...the combination of abundant snowfall coupled with high winds created a challenging time for those charged with ensuring our students' comfort and well-being."

"I wish to commend all those who worked so hard the past two days in service to the RWU Community".

In addition to hired staff and road crew, students, too, were needed to help clear out the snow and secure the campus. Farish did not let their efforts go unnoticed. "Students pitched in, to staff the library, check on the animals in MNS, and shovelled the parking lots to allow other students to access their cars", he wrote. Although the RWU Emergency Response Team carefully and diligently handled previous snowstorms, their handling of a more recent snowstorm on Monday, Feb. 9 was less than perfect. In what seemed to be a reluctance to cancel yet another day of classes, the Emergency Response Team did not needlessly court disaster.

As a commuter, I had to drive in considerably dangerous conditions that Monday morning. The roads were snow covered where I live, and I struggled to make my way through. Once on the highway, I observed that conditions were not much better. Indeed, some snow was so bad that I, along with a long procession of cars, were forced to travel 50 mph in a 55 mph zone.

What usually was an easy, fifteen minute ride to RWU quickly turned into an epic adventure. I was glad to arrive at campus safely.

Later that day, perhaps after realizing their mistake, the University cancelled all classes beginning at 3:30 p.m. This small hiccup aside, the University has done a fantastic job in keeping the snow at bay. Students and staff alike have pulled together to make the campus safe and navigable. But as all New Englanders know, winter has not quite finished with us, and it remains to be seen what new obstacles lay in store. Rest assured, more snow is on the way.

Erika Johnson
Herald Contributor

One major plan that is outlined in the proposal "dead on arrival" as Obama outlines his priorities for this year including immigration, climate change, health care, infrastructure, and defense. These issues are at the forefront of American lives and need monetary investment.

The President’s 2015 budget allocation consists of half of it to be financed with a one-time tax increase and the remaining half to be financed with a one-time tax increase.

One of the most important issues facing our nation today, "populist wish list" and "a budget for an ideal world." But putting forth these ideas, the proposal speaks to the need for an affordable higher education in the United States.

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Dylan Kelly
Herald Contributor

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Obama will propose a six-year, $478 billion public-works program for highways, bridges, and transit upgrades, with half of it to be financed with a one-time, 14 percent tax on U.S. companies’ overseas profits.

The tax would be due immediately. Under current law, those profits are subject only to federal taxes if they are returned, or repatriated, to the U.S., where they face a top rate of 35 percent. Many companies avoid U.S. taxes on those earnings by simply leaving them overseas.

I think many Americans understand that our infrastructure is in deep need of repair. The argument is just how to pay for such repairs. I am not sure it is acceptable to tax corporations even more when the United States has the highest corporate tax rate. Part of the reason they are fleeing outside the United States is because taxes are so high.

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The RWU Eco-Rep’s will be hosting our annual Earth Fest on April 22 in honor of Earth Day. Every year we urge all members of the RWU and Bristol community to get involved in some way that they can in order to have the best celebration possible. The only guideline for participants is that their activity, presentation or performance be electricity free and as Eco-friendly as possible. In the past we have had local vendors sell their handicrafts, the dance perform, acoustic music, as well as various activities and activities such as planting flowers. This is our invitation to YOU to participate and join us in celebrating Earth Day.

What: Earth Fest
When: April 22 11:20am
Where: The Library Quad

Contact Scott Yonas at syonas@rwu.edu or 401-254-3389 if you’d like to participate or have any questions.

OPINIONS WANT TO PLACE AN AD? Contact Jessica CutliffeJCutliffe@hawkesmedia.com
Justin Cochran brings the team’s overall record to 17-1 went on to dominate WNE 40-9. This SUNY Brockport 20-12, the Hawks England University. After beating

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The wrestling team captured two

Women’s Basketball vs. CCC
Quintafinals
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Stephanie Nisbet


dictates that league games end in ties if

RWU head coach Ed Silva explained that shootouts come at

in the case of the RWU-Army game,

the seniors…obviously, no one wanted

In addition to playing his final game,

I needed 43 points this year to get it,

I only needed two more against Army,

the seniors and juniors especially did a pretty
damn good job helping the team and

I needed 43 points this year to get it,

The Hawks ended one other
game in a tie this season, a 5-5 matchup

RWU tied the game in the final seconds

It’s hard to feel good about closing out

As a program we made big strides this

The men’s basketball team stepped their

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There was some initial confusion

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In the Northeast Collegiate Hockey

RWU season concludes with milestones and

Hawks round up Team standings

Men’s Basketball
Nicholls College............................16-1
Regis/Williams University..............15-2
Carroll College............................15-2
Wintergreen College.......................12-5
Central Missouri.........................13-5
Eastern Nazarene University...........13-4
Winston-Salem State University........10-5
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the ups and downs of an exciting season,

No matter the conditions, these athletes

kept their regulation equipment is

to know one way or the other, if not just

I knew before the game that I

The men’s basketball team stepped their
eight-game losing streak with a

scored 15 points and added three

There was some initial confusion

It’s hard to feel good about closing out

Women’s Swimming and Diving
Bentley University..........................579.41
Keene State College......................449.09
Regis College................................106.06
Saint Michael’s College..................273.11
Norwich University........................65.90
Simmons College..........................134.22
Endicott College............................60.40
Gordon College.............................66.82

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Upcoming Games
Wrestling vs. Johnson and Wales
2.20 15:7
Women’s basketball vs. UNE
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SWIMMING: Hawks feel that they can compete

When standing outside the pool deck, there are players sitting in the stands, the starting line ups are displayed, and it is a loud and exciting environment.

The energy of the room echos through the air, Burriesci’s voice booms over the speakers. Whether or not there are 20 people in the crowd over winter break or if there is a packed gym for a home game at Reggie University, Burriesci’s presence is felt.

When standing outside the gym before a game, as you approach in the door, his voice can still be heard. Most would think that would be a Boston College game is going on just by the sound of his voice but it is just Burriesci introducing what he does every game.

“When you first hear Gus, you think, ‘wow this guy is great’,” said Kevin Thompson, assistant women’s basketball coach Kelly Thompson. “If everybody was as into their job about their job with the same passion as Gus, we would have a lot of people who are really good at their job.”

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**Andrew Grassey**
**Sports Editor**

Before many students are even done with class for the day, Gus Burriesci gets in his car. He begins his journey from Madison, Conn. to Bristol, R.I. for the earnings men's and women's basketball games.

"The drive takes one hour and 47 minutes but with traffic, it can take up to two and a half hours," Burriesci said.

Burriesci's father took the down I-95 North 15 times each winter for one purpose -- to do what he loves to do, which is to watch, announce, and be around basketball.

"My wife says I am nuts for doing it, but I have such a passion for basketball and I love this college," Burriesci said.

Senior captain of the men's basketball Ryan Palumbo added that when finding out that Burriesci drives that far for their games, "That is unbelievable. He is such a great guy for doing something like that just for our games. It says a lot about him."

After announcing high school games for over 30 years, Burriesci sent letters to colleges and universities in the area to see if any of them needed announcers. He wanted to take his skills to the collegiate level and Roger Williams University responded.

Burriesci has now been at RWU for three seasons announcing the Hawks' basketball games. He has become famous among students, players and coaches for the nicknames he gives the players.

A famous call he has made a lot this season is, "Angieeeee forrrr threeeeee!" "Angie" stands for senior Angelica Ariola of the women's basketball team and it is an example of just one of the many nicknames that Burriesci has given to RWU basketball players the past three seasons.

**His voice carries over the loudspeakers of the gymnasium for every RWU basketball game, but who is he?**

Going into the past weekend, the last day of the Division III Championships, both teams were upset when they found out that they would not be able to compete on the final day to possibly move past their conference rivals. This attitude was to develop that swagger.

I hope if they learned anything in the mouth before they hit us.

"I don't think we have to do it," Doyle said. "When it comes down to it, you just have to put the miles in. You can't go out with anyone.

Mr. and Mrs. and everyone else in the world.

"I'm long distance and I do pole vaulting," Doyle said. "I can't really do anything else."
Roger gives more for Lent

David Wilson visits campus

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Herald Reporter

On Tuesday evening, students and faculty flooded into the College of Arts and Sciences to welcome renowned journalist and filmmaker David Wilson to the Roger Williams University campus as the first guest of the President's Distinguished Speakers Series. As a prominent spokesperson who challenges the discussion of racial issues in America, Wilson's presentation marked his second visit to this campus, and provided him with the opportunity to introduce his 2008 documentary “Meeting David Wilson” to the college community.

Drawing upon historical events and personal adversity, Wilson expressed that the topic of race is currently very important in America. “We live in a very interesting time. It is a time of great opportunity to discuss the issues of race,” Wilson said.

Though groundbreaking developments in social media, Wilson said that individuals now provided with numerous communication instruments that would spread their views with diverse communities and spread over the world. With unlimited access to a variety of resources and databases, Wilson asserted that everyone has the means to educate one another on the topic of race relations and ensure that it is an issue that is repositioned on a global scale. Through this enlightenment, individuals will not only have the ability to acknowledge events around them with a larger perspective and contemplate the current state of the world, but they will also understand how they can contribute to making a change for the betterment of mankind.

Throughout the course of his documentary, Wilson reflects upon his childhood in Newark, N.J., and expressed that as a child, he lived in constant fear upon his family’s history during times of slavery, they had, then we should realize by extension that we have that same strength, that we’re not the descendants of victors but victims,” Wilson said.

As a first generation college student, Wilson graduated with a degree in journalism and flourished as a professional working for networks such as ABC, CBS, and Fox News. However, Wilson found that he couldn’t be content with his success while so many of his childhood friends and neighbors were not able to survive in the current environment, and lifestyle he managed to enjoy. It was this realization that played a deciding factor in Wilson’s decision to embark on an extensive journey into his family’s history during the era of slavery. Tracing his lineage to a tobacco plantation in Caswell County of North Carolina, Wilson learned that a descendant of his southern family that once owned his ancestors still resided in the area.

He decided to reach out to the man and found that not only do his ancestors coordinate with one another, but they also share the same name as well. Wilson made the long trip to Caswell County from his home in New York City to meet this other David Wilson, Albert Herrin Wilson, Jr., who introduced Wilson, who expressed that the more he got to know him, the more he identified with him as a descendant, kindred human being, rather than just a descendant of a slave owner.

In essence, Wilson asserts that the purpose of his documentary “Meeting David Wilson” is to remind individuals of their identity as human beings.

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ON THE BAY

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Many individuals know exactly what career path they'd like to follow from an early age in life. It is often that case that after graduating high school, they attend the university of their choice in order to receive a degree in that specialty, and then spend the rest of their life dedicated to that profession. However, for Associate Professor Murray McMillan, the thought of becoming a professor never crossed his mind. That is, until one day his wife suggested that he consider the possibility, and he has been enjoying his position as an educator ever since.

After receiving his Bachelor of Fine Arts in sculpture at the Kansas City Art Institute, McMillan pursued his Master of Fine Arts at the University of Texas at Austin. Before his arrival at Roger Williams University in 2007, he held teaching positions at both Webster University in Webster Groves, Missouri and Mills University in Los Angeles, Calif. Not only has McMillan shared his artistic and creative talents within academia, but he has also developed a great deal of his professional years to a variety of creative fields. In part, McMillan has worked as an assembly line worker, store advertising director, and an architectural multi-media artist amongst many other interesting positions.

McMillan instructs several classes at RWU throughout the academic year, including an introduction to digital media, video art and CORE 105 Academics, his students gain a light on both the front and the back, and a bull at well, just like a car. Sometimes it’s hard to remember to turn your lights on, because, well, you’re riding a bike. Another component of having a bicycle, which I have been getting used to myself, is actually locking it each time you get off. Typically, when you buy a bike you also buy a big hefty chain lock, or sometimes two. It is not uncommon in the Netherlands to have your bike stolen off the street, or even just one wheel. It would be a shame to get your only mode of transportation stolen, especially if you had it all customized with saddle bags on the back and plastic flowers on the handlebars.

Getting straight to the point

Similarly to how the Dutch like to get to where they’re going on their bikes straight away, they are extremely straight-lined people in other ways. In America, we usually start every conversation with a polite greeting, no matter what we or who is. “Hello, how are you?” The Dutch on the other hand, find that awkward, they find direct and very matter of fact conversations. They may also simply get straightened by you, or think it’s a waste of time. You just need to go into a bakery and grab a pastry, the most a Dutchman behind the counter would say to you is “what can I get for you?” followed by the price and a “here you go.” It is not to say that they don’t care about the answers they are giving you. Although the Dutch are strict to the point and feel more comfortable with conversation without exaggeration, they are very reliable people.

Closing time

During my first week here, I was very annoyed to discover that stores close much earlier than I expected. I kept hoping maybe it was some sort of time for something less, but no, it’s just typically Dutch. The Dutch love their free time; they enjoy having time off to spend with their loved ones, for vacation, or to study. Therefore, they prefer to work fewer hours and that’s why stores usually close in the early evening. For example, a store similar to Target is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on a weekday. It’s just another thing that I have to embrace as a student living here.

Notes from the Netherlands

Adapting to Amsterdam

History was always my worst subject in high school. I just couldn’t learn to appreciate another culture, but I did get a good cultural and social studies course through a textbook and the internet. My senior year that I traveled out of the country for the first time to China. Just a week and a half, and I knew I liked Chinese culture, and a burning desire to learn a new language had taken hold of me. Ever since that trip, I have been traveling as often as I possibly can. I find it exhilarating to experience different cultures all around the globe. I think that the differences in one of the biggest obstacles of studying abroad, but there is no better way to immerse oneself in a culture than to be in it. This is some of what I’ve learned about Dutch culture while living here so far.

“My lights aren’t on!”

One of the things the Netherlands is most well known for is their use of bicycles. They are definitely an inseparable part of Dutch culture, especially when it comes to getting around. But, if you are to buy a bike in the Netherlands, you must be aware of the bike laws before riding. For example, each bike is required to have a light on both the front and the back, and a bell as well, just like a car. Sometimes it’s hard to remember to turn your lights on, because, well, you’re riding a bike. Another component of having a bicycle, which I have been getting used to myself, is actually locking it each time you get off. Typically, when you buy a bike you also buy a big hefty chain lock, or sometimes two. It is not uncommon in the Netherlands to have your bike stolen off the street, or even just one wheel. It would be a shame to get your only mode of transportation stolen, especially if you had it all customized with saddle bags on the back and plastic flowers on the handlebars.

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Bread and milk

The Dutch are very healthy people; they are concerned with nutrition, and typically, eat very well balanced meals. For breakfast and lunch you usually have something very simple and quick; maybe a slice of bread with cheese and butter. For dinner they have a hot meal. In all, the Dutch are very healthy people, in all, the Dutch can eat what they want on some what would say a “good day.” A common Dutch lunch consists of two Bread rolls or bread rolls each with a slice of cheese and maybe a thin slice of ham – there is almost always a glass of milk to accompany as well.

While the Dutch are well known for living dairy products, they are also known for loving a lot of fried foods. They often eat fried croquettes, fries with mayonnaise, and cheese. No, no, with mayonnaise is not disgusting, it’s actually quite delicious!
Campus resembles a quiet Arctic village on this freezing February evening after the blizzard. This photo was taken at 700 ft. from the cockpit of a Cessna 172 circling at 80 knots. Both Mt. Hope Bay and Narragansett Bay can be seen on the east and west sides of the Roger Williams University campus.

This picture is somewhere on campus!

Tweet @thehawksherald and tell us where you think the photo was taken. Winners and the answer will be printed in next week’s issue!

Last week’s answer: The high-top tables at upper commons.

“Coming out of grad school, I had leverage during the interviewing and negotiation process. It’s not just that I have an education or an MBA, I have a Bryant MBA.”

Meredith Soper, Product Marketing Manager at EMC, a leading provider of IT storage hardware solutions.
Birss Memorial Library Exhibition: Richard Wright’s “Native Son”

This event celebrates the 75th Anniversary of Richard Wright’s “Native Son: Then and Now,” one of the first major works of literature by an African-American writer. The exhibition will include other works, such as one of Wright’s unpublished and controversial essays, “I chose Paris,” as well as photographs spanning from the 1930s to the recent events in Ferguson, Mi.

Details: Open daily during library hours from Feb. 1 through Mar. 31.

Study Abroad Info Session: China

This session will be an overview of the study abroad options in China, including Shanghai, Beijing and Nanjing. Learn more and see if a semester east is right for you.

Details: Feb. 19, 4:30 p.m. in SE 126.

Study Abroad Info Session: Barcelona

Introducing a new program for architecture students in Barcelona, Spain.

Details: Feb. 20, 4 p.m. in GHH 108

Theatre Main Season Series III: “Almost Within my Reach: Two Modern Classics.”

Two classic one-act plays come together to bring feminist themes in different genres. “Trifles” is about women examining details of a crime that were dismissed by their male counterparts. “Riders to the Sea” is about Irish women struggling to survive.

Details: Feb. 20, 21, at 7:30 p.m. and Feb. 22 at 2 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $5 for students, $10 general admission.

Recreation Center Field House.

Christian Ecumenical Worship

Reflect, pray and celebrate Communion on all Sundays of the semester with the Christian community of RWU. All are welcome.

Details: Feb. 22 at 4 p.m., GHH 200.

Catholic Mass on Campus

Weekly Mass with the Catholic Campus Ministry.

Details: Feb. 22, 7 p.m., GHH 206.

Study Abroad Application Workshop

Intimidated by all the paperwork to hand in before you go abroad? Go to this session and see all the necessary steps and materials in the application process.

Details: Feb. 23, 4:30 p.m., GHH 119.

President’s Distinguished Speakers Series: Lawrence Lessig

Scholar, attorney and activist Lawrence Lessig will visit RWU and explain the issue of political funding and its effect on equality in America. Lessig is an expert on intellectual property, internet policy, and a watchdog on government corruption. This will be relevant to all majors, and is a great conversation to take part in.

Details: Feb. 23, 7:30 p.m. Law School Appellate Courtroom 283.

Talking in the Library: An Alumna Celebrates her Ninth Book

A graduate of RWU’s BFA in Creative Writing program and acclaimed author Maria Flook will discuss her latest novel, “Mothers and Lovers.” Flook is a New York Times best seller, with her novel “Invisible Eden: A Story of Love and Murder on Cape Cod.” This event is free and open to the public.

Details: Feb. 24, 4:30 p.m. Mary Teft White Cultural Center, Library.

Zen Meditation

Get in the zone and feel the stress of school melt away during this meditation session.

Details: Feb. 24, 6 p.m., Intercultural Center Prayer Room.

CEN and MSU Movie: “Dear White People.”

Join students for this film about racial issues on college campuses. See a movie that highlights these issues on small, mostly white college campuses.

Details: Feb. 24, 8 p.m., FCAS 157.

Great Film Series: “North by Northwest.”

A classic Alfred Hitchcock movie with Cary Grant brings you into the world of espionage with romance and excitement.

Details: Feb. 25, 7 p.m. GHH G01.

Roger At Prayer

Each Thursday, take a spiritual time out and pray for concerns you have for yourself and others. All are welcome to take part this prayer, meditation and intercession opportunity.

Details: Feb. 26, 12 p.m., Intercultural Center Multipurpose Room.
**PUZZLES & COMICS**

**Sudoku**

Fill in the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9.

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8 3 6 7 9 1
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**Campus Clues**

My first is in old but not in new
My second is in miss but not in moss
My third is in bee but not in tree
My fourth is in row but not in toe
My fifth is in rad but not in red
My sixth is my fourth
My seventh is a question.

This answer to this riddle is somewhere on campus!
Tweet @thehawksherald and tell us the answer. Winners and the answer will be printed in next week’s issue!

Last week’s answer: The Mail Center

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**Hawk’s Eye**

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By: L. A. Bonte

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Question of the Week:

What’s your favorite thing to do on a snow day?

Julia Ferrara | FRESHMAN
“Sledding down the Willow Hill.”

Mike Allwein | JUNIOR
“Sleeping in and playing video games.”

Torrie Lewine | SENIOR
“Sledding, because why not?”

Jared Clough | SOPHOMORE
“Play football with friends outside.”

Heather Larson | SENIOR
“Sleeping in, because I never get to.”

Anthony Concietello | JUNIOR
“Go snowboarding in Vermont.”

The Intercultural Center hosted a Chinese New Year celebration on Wednesday, Feb. 18. Students were invited to make a variety of dumplings and paper lanterns. “It’s a great way to learn about the occasion through the event,” said junior Chris Lorient. Chinese New Year starts on Thursday, Feb. 19 and will last for 15 days. In China, the holiday is a time to bring families together for feasting. The Chinese lunar calendar is associated with the Chinese Zodiac, each year is a different animal sign. This year will be the year of the goat.
Reduce, Reuse, RWU

Horoscopes: Thursday, Feb. 19

1. Don’t shop on an empty stomach. Walking into a store full of food makes it easy to be lured into impulse buys. Try eating a full dozen of un-cracked eggs. Sure that you are in fact buying what you think you are. If you’re purchasing produce, be sure that the dates on the side of a lid or on a bag are correct. It’s always on top of the rotation cycle. If you’re not sure, check the expiration dates. It is always better to err on the side of caution.

2. Notice expiration dates. Throw food away. If you’re looking to outgrow something, it’s better to throw it away than to let it go bad and throw it away.

3. Buy less and shop more frequently. Think about what goes into your food. Set a goal for yourself. Make note of your goal and keep an open mind. You may be surprised by what you find.

4. “Green” Lingerie. To all the ladies looking to turn the heat down a notch, you may be interested in this. Try to have a day where you wear a less revealing outfit. Wear a different kind of lingerie. It’s a great way to have a day where you feel more comfortable.

5. Honk Me Mad. Instead of heading to a four year university, try out your culinary skills and cook a homemade, heartfelt meal. Make your meal that much more interesting by doing more with less. Try to create something edible using what you have.

6. Think of taking a bouquet of flowers. The gift of flowers is a great way to show someone how much you care. It’s a great way to say, “I love you.”

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What’s ‘appening

This week: Step away from the Easy Mac

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Kristin Hill  Herald Contributor

February, traditionally known as the month of romance, is home to the second most popular card-sending holiday: Valentine’s Day. Every year, lovers accumulate cards, chocolates, diamonds, gifts, and flowers. Valentine’s Day has quickly gone from a holiday devoted to the appreciation of loved ones to a holiday that encourages a perpetually harmful consumerism. Just how much are people consuming?

It is estimated that worldwide, 1 billion Valentine’s Day cards are exchanged, over 50 million roses are given, and that more than 36 million heart-shaped boxes of chocolate are sold. With a wide range of gifts to be purchased, the average person in 2014 spent nearly $314. Luckily, there are ways to reduce your impact on the environment Valentine’s Day with these 8 sustainable and socially acceptable gifts. Do not be afraid to get a little creative for your health.

1. Do It Yourself. Instead of opting out for a store bought gift, try making something yourself. For example, find a jar lying around the house and fill it with beautiful monos and pieces of sea glass. On each piece of glass, write one thing that you love about that person. This is a sustainable and personal way of showing your love while at the same time creating something special to you.

2. Eco-Friendly Chocolates. Many commodities surround chocolate. Child labor accusations and unsustainable farming methods. To avoid adding to these issues, try getting your sweetheart a bar of eco-friendly and organic chocolate. Companies such as Lila’s Chocolate and Raw Love Chocolate love both still deliver that goodness that are good for the earth.

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4. Adopt An Animal. Is your partner crazy about animals? Why not share the love on Valentine’s Day by helping an animal in need, instead of buying another stuffed teddy bear. You can adopt and sponsor animals such as a pig, llama, goat or chicken through various organizations such as the Farm Sanctuary, or the San Diego Animal Rescue Society.

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The stars are lining up for you this month! You’ve been doubting your major and you may start to feel good about it. Don’t throw your heart and decide what you want to be.

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Whether or not you go to the cinema for every new release, you might remember the box office hits from 20 years ago. 1995 was a good year for movies. How many have you seen?

“Pocahontas”
1995 brought us one of Disney’s best classic films of the century. Pocahontas told the story of one of the most adventurous characters, with history (although not necessarily accurate) and social issues woven in. Lovable sidekicks, a conflicting love story, and gorgeous animation make this movie unforgettable.

“Clueless”
The original “Mean Girls” has the classic 90s style and a killer makeover montage. Add some fashion and slang from before the new millennium and you’ve got a throwback that’s sure to take you to ’95.

“Toy Story”
This movie had us suspecting our toys of being sentient. Woody and Buzz started the classic rivalry of toys that would become a trilogy for everyone to remember.

“Jumanji”
Did somebody roll a five or an eight? Robin Williams stars in this thrilling adventure that takes two kids into a board game like no other. Escape bounty hunters, crocodiles, and stampedes while you play “Jumanji”.

“Apollo 13”
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