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Coffee What?

In our last post we talked all about the Rhode Island summer phenom, Del’s Lemonade. In this post, we are talking all about an equally Rhode Island local food, coffee milk. According to a HuffPost headline, “Coffee Milk Is Rhode Island’s Secret Local Drink You’ve Got To Try” and you HAVE to try it! While not uniquely a summer beverage, like Del’s, coffee milk is definitely unique.

Here are some varieties for you to consider:

1. Trader Joe’s
2. Autocrat
3. Morning Glory
4. Eclipse
5. Dave’s Coffee

Need a recipe for this delicious milky treat? Try this one!

So what does coffee milk this have to do with law school? On July 29, 1993, coffee milk was adopted by the state of Rhode Island as the Official State Drink! Don’t believe us? Check out the law.

So this summer, safely sip a coffee milk and enjoy the sunsets!
Our state has its own lexicon when it comes to wieners and there are definitely some rules you MUST learn to be a real Rhode Islander:

1. **Never, ever call a wiener a hot dog.**
   A wiener may have hot dog similarities but according to at least one source, they are different. “There are distinct differences between hot dogs and hot wieners: hot dogs are typically very processed, with a hodge podge of different cuts of meat. Hot wieners on the other hand are made with beef, pork, veal, spices and one preservative.”

2. **All the way means something very specific in wiener terminology.**
   It means your wiener has celery salt, mustard, chopped onions and wiener sauce.

3. **Did you say wiener sauce?**
   Yes. It’s a very beefy chili without beans. (Here is one version)

4. **Reconsider the ketchup**
   At the most famous RI wiener joint, “there’s a sign on the wall that says, ‘It Has Been Said That When You Put Ketchup On A Hot Wiener, It Is a Sin ... Here It Is Against the Law!’”

According to Providence Monthly, “Hot wieners are firmly planted in Rhode Island’s culinary psyche.” To try this local favorite, visit Olneyville N.Y. System, which is only a short distance from our Providence campus!