On Monday, April 5, 1999, in the dining hall, the Roger Williams University Student Senate sponsored the first annual, Presidential Forum with President Anthony Santoro. The purpose for the forum was to allow students the opportunity to voice concerns about policies and become aware of the development and future of the university from the president's perspective.

The crowd began to filter in at 7:45 p.m. right up until President Santoro was ready to take the stage at 8 p.m. The forum drew in approximately 150 students. There was diversity among the crowd, and students from all class years were in attendance.

Before the forum began, some students expressed to The Hawk why they were there, Lisa Hickey, President of the Junior Class said, "I am extremely interested in what he has to say." John Wintle, a freshman, said, "I am just curious. I want to know more about the school." Mike Blunt, a sophomore, said, "I feel the need to support my club, the PSA (Political Science Association)." Whatever the reason for each student to be there, they were prepared to ask questions and get answers.

Santoro was accompanied by the Administrative Staff: Christel Ertel, Vice President for University Advancement; Lynn Fishback, Dean for Enrollment Management; Michael Tramien, Director of Security and Safety; Karen Haskell, Dean of Students; Matt White, Director of Facilities; Michael Schipper, Vice President of Human Resources; Loretta Shelton, Vice President of Academic Affairs and Joseph Hagan, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.

After introducing the staff, Santoro discussed how he became a part of RWU in 1991 to help write the feasibility study for a law school on the campus. He told the students how he was then offered the position of Dean of the Law School upon its completion. He became the President of the university in 1993, just days before the law school officially opened its doors.

He told the students he was committed to the university and that RWU has grown into a university of excellence. The students seemed to be interested with his brief background of his career and what he has accomplished here at RWU. (The existence of the law school, Bayside, CEEB building, and refurbishing of the Gabelli School of Business, Engineering building, Cedar and Maple Hall.) Students were getting anxious to ask the questions. After a half-hour micropause on the history of RWU, Santoro opened the floor up for questions. Hands were quickly raised.

Courtney Mulligan, a senior, posed the first question, "Will RWU ever have a graduate program?" Santoro has been looking into this possibility. As a matter of fact, in September, the Criminal Justice program will begin a master's program.

The questions continued at a non-stop rate. Other questions the student body brought up were: What role does the Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer fill? What programs are accredited? Will all the programs be accredited soon? Will there be a permanent place of worship on campus? Can seniors be allowed more time after graduation to leave the dorms? What is the future of the Creative Writing department?

One question asked showed a bit of frustration from the students. Senior, Kerri Peres posed a question to Santoro on behalf of all the students who have worked hard to graduate with a double major. She asked that for the people who have achieved this, why, even though on our transcript it shows credit for a double major, on our diploma they have to choose one. "If we are fulfilling requirements for both, why are we only being recognized for one?" Santoro replied, "I do not know the answer to that, although it is the first time I have realized you can qualify for two degrees, it never...I never understood that." He continued, "I thought everyone worked towards one degree."

Loretta Shelton commented, "In the past couple of years, we have encouraged you to take more than one major if at all possible. Thirty-eight of you are graduating in May having done that, so we need to revisit that question... Having put all that effort into that, I think you do deserve to have both degrees recognized in some way."

Another heated moment came when senior, Ian Rose expressed his negative views on the house to be built on campus for Santoro. Rose feels that building a house out in the open area down near Bayside will take away from the beauty of the campus, one of the reasons he came to RWU. "I feel that there is more spiritual value than monetary value to the land," Santoro thought that most of the concerns brought to the Student Senate. The organization is there to help address the student(s) concerns to the administration so that action can be taken. On the student's side, the reception was mostly positive. Carrie Snodgrass, a junior, who posed a question regarding extended time in the dorms post graduation said, "They answered to the best of their abilities. I thought it was good. A forum should happen once a semester."

Due to the great success of the Presidential Forum, discussions are already underway to plan another for next semester.

Something magical happened on Monday night with both the administration and the students. The Forum allowed for two different worlds, with the common goal of bettering "their" university, to help build a bridge, linking them together.
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The Hawk's Eye is a major source of information for the RWU community. The Hawk's Eye will continue to grow over the year. We would love you to grow with us.

There will be weekly, open meetings on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. in the Student Senate Chambers in the back of the Student Union starting next semester. We look forward to seeing you there!

If you have any questions, please contact Kelly at extension 3229.

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Letter from the Editor...

Kelly A. Scafariello

In this issue, you will be pleased to know that our staff has created a more diverse paper to suite everyone of our readers. Such stories include: The Presidential Forum, variety of sports stories, and spring weekend information. We even have the lowdown on senior events.

The first annual, Presidential Forum proved to be a success with about 150 students in attendance. President Santoro addressed student concerns for an hour and a half. Look to see more of these forums in the upcoming years. For more information about the forum, turn to the front page.

Now until our final issue of The Hawk's Eye, we will have continuing coverage on all senior events and need to know info to keep every graduating student up to date.

Let me give a shout out to all the UCONN Huskies fans out there on campus. The National Championship game of Division I girls basketball was held in St. Petersburg Florida on March 29, 1999. The number 2 ranked Huskies played number 1 Duke. The final score was 77-74 with UCONN upsetting Duke giving the team its first National Championship title ever. Go Huskies!

My Reaction to the Presidential Forum

Editorial by Michelle Matory-Eisenberg

I just got back from the Presidential Forum held Monday night, April 5, 1999 in the Dining Hall. While I am glad several Administrators, as well as President Santoro himself, took the time to meet and answer student questions, what actually was accomplished?

First of all, Santoro was nice enough to introduce the other Administrators to those students who may not know them, but then he preceded to talk for 25 minutes about the entire Roger Williams University history, as well as his own personal history. While this was informative and certainly a refresher of our school pride, the rest of the evening, in my opinion of course, was downhill from there.

The time President Santoro took to remind students and faculty what is clearly stated on the campus website and in course catalogues could have been used to answer the many questions that were left unanswered. I saw at least 25 people still raising their hands, only to be told that the forum was only scheduled for a limited amount of time and that students could address further issues at Senate Meetings.

What were students at this forum for but to have their questions addressed by among the most powerful people at RWU? I did not sit there for 1 1/2 hours to be told I have to go to another meeting, and talk to four other in-command people who were all sitting in the same room at once, waiting to be grilled by students. How disappointed I was, along with many others who were there I am sure, to know my issue(s) would not be addressed.

Yes, we can all make appointments to speak to Santoro and the other administrators, but if many people came out to voice their opinions and ask what are obviously pressing questions, we should have had the opportunity to speak. This isn't President Santoro's fault, or the fault of other Administrators. I am just wondering why a time limit was imposed. Were they expecting many people to attend and voice their concerns? Maybe we can have this type of forum more often, maybe once a month, since it is clear to me that many students at RWU have concerns they would like to see addressed.

A good point a female student addressed was the fact that no Administrator was taking notes on student questions, problems and concerns. Are these Administrators really going to remember everything tomorrow when they show up for work or at a faculty/administration meeting? Studies show that the average person only remembers 30% of verbal information 24 hours later. So why weren't they taking notes? Can Administrators not at least show that they are putting an effort into student concerns? Even after the student commented on the lack of note taking on the Administrators' behalf, they still didn't write down vital student concerns. President Santoro said he has heard the complaints before so he didn't need to take notes.

Well, if people have been addressing the same issues, why hasn't anything been done to address these issues? How discouraging it is for already frustrated students to be told that more money is needed for a particular event or club necessity, or that a committee will look into the issue, or that people have been working on the issue at hand, but it will not be completed until after we graduate. What a complete shame.

School pride. Yeah right. Dedicated students show their school pride by attending forums that address important and valid concerns. Too bad little is done to solve these concerns.
In the remaining issues of The Hawk’s Eye, we will have senior information coverage. This section promises to keep you up to date with the latest happenings in the last weeks of the semester.

Alumni Relations Office helps connect students to successful RWU grads

Kim Thorhill, Contributing Writer

Taking finals, graduating, and looking for a job or graduate school is a small part of what seniors have to go through. Here at Roger Williams, it seems that more than the average student is interested in setting up trying to go to the水产 for the next few months, and even location, after you answer a few questions. The Alumni Association consists of a President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, a Past President and 13 members at large serving 3-year terms.

Make an appointment call the Office or stop by the second floor of the Administration Building and visit Tom Walker, Director of Alumni Relations. The Alumni Office exists to provide services and programs for RWU’s 15,000 alumni and to assist the University in its pursuit of educational excellence. As of 1997, Walker said the Office had received approximately $2.9 million in donations from alumni, family, friends, corporations and foundations. He explains the increase in donations is a response to satisfaction from alumni pride in the University and the continued support from the community and local corporations.

In May all graduating seniors will receive a brochure from the Alumni Relations Office which will highlight all of the opportunities and advantages you will have after graduation. Such opportunities include: becoming a member of the Alumni Association, which includes library privileges, use of athletic facilities, career services and planning, a continued subscription of The Bridge, continuing education, and memorabilia. The Alumni Office not only assists students with networking, but also co-sponsors The Bridge, a publication which announces alumni news and information. In addition to alumni news, The Bridge now includes profiles on alumni. According to Walker, “It is an exciting time for the University.” The Office also sponsors many exciting events. Such events include, the “Walk of Fame,” where seniors can purchase and have their name engraved on a brick for $30. The Walk of Fame began in 1997 by the senior class and had such a great response, 670 bricks sold, that the Alumni Office decided to offer it again this year.

Reality 101 is there for a helping hand

Bronwen Lapidus, Staff Writer

As graduation day nears, there are still Reality 101 workshops available. Feel free to see me. Remember you can always talk to the staff in Career Services. If you don’t have time to go to the workshops, then look for Katzenek’s book Reality 101 at the bookstore. Congratulations to the class of 1999.

Fram Katzenek, with RWU students

Wednesday, April 7

RWU Career Fair
*Full-time
*Part-time
*Summer Employment
*Internships
*Cooperative Education
1:00-5:00 PM in the Paolino Recreation Center

Tuesday, April 13

Reality 101:
Developing “Plan B” after graduation

Wednesday, April 21

URI Career Fair
*All majors
*Open to all college students
11:00 AM-3:00 PM
Call Career Services for more information
You'd be a FOOL to miss these APRIL Events

April 8
Holy Man
Other Place
8:30pm

April 9
Trivia Night
with Morgan White Jr
Snack Bar
8pm

April 9
Daytime Program
Student Union
11am - 2pm

April 10
Student Music Showcase
Dining Hall
8pm

April 16
Comedy with The Have - Nots
Snack Bar
8pm

April 30
Murder Mystery
Snack Bar
8pm

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Call x3248 or www.rwu.edu/cen/
Senate Elections

Become a Student Senator & help shape RWU

April 15 - Informational meeting. Election forms and guidelines for running will be handed out.

April 19 or 26 - Announce candidacy at either Senate meeting.

April 23 - Elections forms due to Senate office by 3pm.

April 28, 11am-2pm - Forum outside of Student Union.

April 29 & 30, 9am-5pm - Elections in Student Union.

For more information, call the Senate Office at x3312

Come Join the Book

Meet new people, gain work experience, build your resume, and have fun.

The yearbook staff is looking for:

- Writers
- Page designers
- Photographers
- Computer experts

There will be an informational meeting on Monday, April 12 at 6:30 in the Student Activities Office.

***Work Study Positions Available***

Holy Man
When: Thursday, April 8; 8:30pm - Other Place
Starring: Eddie Murphy and Jeff Goldblum
Eddie Murphy plays an inspirational spiritualist who hilariously proves his message that in today's world, shopping by television can be a religious experience.

Sponsored by CEN Films
For questions call x3248

Urban Legends
When: April 24; Behind the Student Union - Following the Spring Weekend Fireworks
Starring: Jared Leto and Alicia Witt
A series of strange deaths occur on a college campus and Alicia Witt plays a curious student who becomes the killer's next target when she starts to figure out how the deaths are connected.
Do Yourself a F.A.V.O.R
Five fruits and vegetables on a regular basis

*The second leading cause of death for both men and women in the US is cancer.
*Cancer accounts for 20% of all deaths in the US or an estimated 560,000 deaths per year.
*1/3 of the cancer deaths expected to occur in the US this year will be related to nutrition.
*500 people die per day from cancer in the US as a result of their diet.
*Research shows that fruits and vegetables have a protective against cancer.
*It is important that individuals consume the National Cancer Institute recommended guidelines of fruits and vegetables to reduce chronic disease risk.

National Cancer Institute recommended guidelines for fruit and vegetable consumption

1) Eat five servings of fruits and five servings of vegetables daily.
2) Eat at least one Vitamin A rich selection daily.
3) Eat at least one Vitamin C rich selection daily.
4) Eat at least one high fiber selection daily.
5) Eat cabbage family (cruciferous) vegetables several times a week.

CEN rep tells all about big events

By: Christene Roitman

Hi guys. I'm here to tell you the CEN events happening on campus between today and April 16th (when the next Hawk's Eye should be coming out). First off, by now you've heard that the Bosstones will be playing here during Spring Weekend (Thursday, April 22nd). Tickets for this concert go on sale Monday, April 5th. They are $10 dollars in advance and $15 at the door. You must have your student I.D with you to purchase tickets, and there is a limit of 4 per person. There will be no public sales.

The movie "Holy Man" will be playing on Thursday, April 8th in The Other Place. Show time is 8:00 PM.

Friday, April 9th we have a daytime program for you. Students will be able to sample pizza from a number of local businesses to decide who has "The Best Pizza in Bristol". This will take place from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the upper level of the Student Union. Also on April 9th there will be a Friday Night Special at 8:00 PM in the Snack Bar. Morgan White Jr., the trivia guy will be here. You might remember him from last year. He's back with more prizes to give away.

The Student Music Showcase will be Saturday, April 10th. Come on out and show your support for your friends. Friday, April 16th the Comedy Committee will be presenting "The Have Nots", an improvisational comedy team.

It will be in the snack bar beginning at 8:00 PM and is free of charge. Well, that's it for now...look for more events in the next two issues of The Hawk's Eye.

The World of Accessories
Andrea Barna, Fashion Writer

This upcoming season more than ever, beaded ethnic pieces are the favorites.

Designers such as Laurie Rebaudo have made their way to the spotlight. Rebaudo began selling her work (beaded jewels), in hopes of fulfilling her dreams of traveling.

However, the startling aspects are the season's lavish colors... turquoise, yellows, deep purples, and burgundies, all of which complete even the most bland wardrobes.

For those handbag lovers, "Blue Bag" which is a new addition to some of the electric assortment of shops in New York's hig Nolita has a simple philosophy. "Providing customers with unusual and finely crafted bags."

The store explores the whole realm of bags... from messenger bags to overnighters and finally decorated evening bags.

So, for those of you in the New York area, make a note to visit Nolita... you won't be disappointed.

On a more traditional note, Dooney and Bourke has remade their look. Since 1975, their original founders (Peter Dooney and Fredrick Bourke) manufactured men's suspenders, belts and ties.

Lately, the choices of materials have become icon of our era: cars and blue jeans. The two latest introductions, are the cabrioleather collection, with the inspiration of vintage cars(seat material) and deminbags with leather trim (both have an urban sensibility).

Dooney and Burke goods can be found exclusively through their mail order catalog, in addition, to its two New York boutiques on Madison Ave, as well as in Bloomingsdales.

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RWU to offer Master's Degree in Criminal Justice

Roger Williams University's School of Justice Studies will offer a master of science degree in crimi­ nal justice beginning in September 1999.

The new master's degree program contains two specialized options: Criminology, which em­ phasizes the study of nature and causes of crime; and Criminal Justice Management, which focuses on modern administrative theory and practice in the regional justice system community. Both degree options are designed for students who have already earned a bachelor's degree in any area of study at an accredited college or university.

The Master of Science in Criminal Justice requires students to complete 36 credit hours beyond the bachelor's degree. This degree track allows students to complete a thesis (6 credits) as part of their degree require­ ments, students may elect to complete six credit hours of course work in first of a thesis.

"This is Roger Williams University's first master's degree program," said School of Justice Dean Dean Thomas J. Hickey. "We are really excited about the opportunity to provide our stu­ dents with an excellent graduate education that will emphasize the theory and practice of criminal justice.

"Courses in the Master of Science program will be taught by our distinguished full-time faculty, all of whom hold doctor­ degrees in Criminal Justice, Sociol­ ogy, Psychology, Law or a related field," said Hickey. "In addition, some of the preeminent admin­ istrator is the regional justice system community will contrib­ ute to the program as adjunct faculty members."

The new Master of Science degree program will be offered at the University's main campus in Bristol, as well as at the Metropolitan Center for Law and Education in Providence. Students may enroll on either a part­time or full­time basis.

The School of Justice Studies currently offers bachelor's degrees in Criminal Justice, Sociology, Psychology, Law or a related field, as well as pre­legal studies. In association with the Feinstein College of Arts and Sciences, the School ad­ministers the University's Pre­law program and the unique Three­Plus­Three program, which al­lows superior students to com­plete an undergraduate degree and Juris Doctorate in six years.

The School has also devel­oped a Justice System Training Institute, which provides pre­service and in­service training for members of the operational justice system community. The Institute has recently entered into a partnership with the New England State Police Informa­tion Network (NESSPIN) to pro­vide training for federal, state, and municipal law enforcement officials throughout the North­east.

For additional information and application materials, con­tact the School of Justice Stud­ies, Graduate Program, Roger Williams University, One Old Ferry Road, Bristol, RI 02809­2921, or call (401) 524­3021 or 1­800­458­7144, Ext. 3201.

RWU celebrates Human Rights Day

On March 23 and 24, over 300 RWU community mem­bers (administrators, students, faculty and staff) proudly wore blue and gold ribbons as a symbol of support for Human Rights Day at RWU.

In the program sponsored by the Dean's Diversity Coun­cil, those people wearing ribbons signed a community procla­mation, vowing to do their part in making RWU a place that does not tolerate actions or speech that are hurtful and inten­tionally demeaning, a community that proposes to address such behaviors as they arise, and an environment that cele­brates diversity.

The signed community proclamation is on display in the library vestibule to recognize the University's commitment to academic integrity and human dignity.

RWU names new law school dean

Harvey Rishikof of Washington, D.C., legal director to the Deputy Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has been appointed Dean of the Roger Williams University Ralph R. Papitto School of Law.

The announcement was made by University and Law School President Anthony J. Santoro, who said: "We are indeed pleased to be able to make this announcement. Mr. Rishikof brings with him a distinguished background in the field of justice administration and law. An individual of his caliber can only enhance our already highly esteemed legal education program."

As a member of the Department of Justice since 1997, Mr. Rishikof was involved in legal matters affecting the Deputy Director's Office on general policy and administrative matters. Prior to his work with the FBI, Mr. Rishikof served with the International Judicial Relations Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States; administrative assistant to the Chief Justice of the United States; judicial fellow with the Administrative Office of the United States Courts; lecturer, Harvard University; and law clerk to the Honorable Leonard I. Garth, U.S. Circuit Court for the Third Cir­cuit.

Among his honors received are the Supreme Court Tom C. Clark Award, Harvard University Award for Teaching, Center for Euro­pean Studies Fellow, Krupp Pre­doctoral Fellowship, Canada Council Fellowship (twice), Alexander Mackenzie King Fellowship, and University Scholar.

His distinguished service in his field has afforded him appoint­ments to some of the most distinguished law conferences, including the American Bar Association, National Conference of State Courts, and the American Bar Association. As a result of his work, Mr. Rishikof has addressed a wide range of issues to many universities and organizations on legal issues, legal and political theory and litigation in this country and abroad. He has authored numerous papers, law reviews on judicial organi­zations and rights, and has given a wide range of presentations to many universities and organizations on judicial issues, legal and political theory and litigation in this country and abroad. Mr. Rishikof stated: "I am extremely excited at the prospect of joining the law school. I have the highest expectations for the fu­ture based on the quality of students, the distinguished faculty and the support from the University. With vision and dedication, I am confident that the school will make a contribution to the legal community," Attorney General Janet Reno spoke highly of Mr. Rishikof: "Mr. Rishikof is an excellent lawyer who has a keen grasp of a wide range of public policy issues. His experience in govern­ment will serve him well."

Judge Rya W. Zobel, director, The Federal Judicial Center, com­mented: "I commend Roger Williams University for choosing Mr. Rishikof to be the new dean of its law school. He always sees the bigger picture; he has an astute political and practical acumen, and brings the job uncommon intelligence and judgement. I do indeed con­gratulate the University and Law School."

Donald K. Stern, U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachu­setts, stated: "Harvey and I worked together in private practice and again while he was at the FBI. I am confident that his intelligence, common sense, broad experience and sense of humor will serve the faculty and students well."

He earned a B.A. degree/political science/English literature from McGill University; an M. A. degree/political science, Brandeis Uni­versity; a J.D. degree from New York University of Law, and is an A.B.D. candidate from the government department at Harvard University.

Darmody receives award

Donna Lynn Darmody, of Portsmouth, Director of Health Education, Roger Williams Uni­versity, received an award at the Baccus and Gamma Peer Educa­tion Area 10 Spring Conference, held recently at Stonehill College, North Easton, Massachusetts.

Darmody has served as Northeastern Region Outstanding Adviser of the Year award. Last November, she received the National Level Adviser of the Year award. Both the Baccus and Gamma national con­ference held in Washington, D.C.

Student, Alissa Cucci receives award

Alissa Cucci, of Oak Ridge, NJ, senior biology major, Roger Williams University, received an award at the Baccus and Gamma Peer Education Area 10 Spring Conference, held recently at Stonehill College, North Easton, Massachusetts.

Ms. Cucci received the Out­standing Peer Education award for her outstanding efforts in college peer education.

Wanted: Career Assistants

Will you be a Junior or Senior in the Fall of 1999? Do you enjoy working with people? If you answered yes to both questions and have a G.P.A. of at least a 3.0, you should apply to be a Career Assistant. Senior, Frizzie Charne stated, "It is a great opportu­nity to not only assist other students with their resumes and job searches, but also to the faculty that will help yourself."

Some of the responsibili­ties include: Presenting workshops on resume writing, job hunting, and

Tammy Clink, Staff Writer

time management; Promoting the Career Center; Implementing a career­related forum in your major; Assisting students with their resumes and job searches.

Junior, Monica Ouellette expressed that being a Career Assistant has "Allowed me to become more involved with the RWU commu­nity and to help my fellow students."

Senior, Tammy Clink adds, "This job has given me the satisfaction of helping others and the enjoyment of working as a team member and as an individual."

Did we spark your interest? Why not fill out an application? They can be picked up at the Career Center, located on the first floor of the Center for Student Development. Applications are due by April 14, 1999. If you have any questions, call us at (401) 524­3021 or 1­800­458­7144.
Men's Volleyball back on track with new coaching staff

Kim Thornbill, Contributing Writer

There have been many changes for the men's volleyball team in the past, but none as great as the changes that have taken place this year. New uniforms, streakers, attitudes, adrenaline pumping music and the most noticeable change, a new head coach, Michael Holden. Since 1995, the men's volleyball team has had three different coaches. "All unsatisfying the needs of the team" according to the team members. "Coach Holden and assistant Dan Kiley will benefit the program definitely," said senior captain Mike Tartamella. "This is what will take RWU to the next level."

Athletic Director, Bill Baird, hired Holden, a native of New Bedford and a familiar face in the world of volleyball, in the fall of 1998. Coach Holden brought along an assistant coach, long time friend, Dan Kiley. In addition to coaching at RWU, Holden adds to his 10 years of teaching architectural drawing at New Bedford Technical High School. He is also the boy's volleyball coach at the high school and coaches a junior Olympic team. Between Holden and Kiley, RWU will have a well-rounded team according to Holden. "I am here for the professional aspect, and high intensity. Dan is a skill generator and in charge of the first tuning of the team's skills."

Dan Kiley has been playing volleyball since 1993 and has competed and won in many beach and indoor volleyball tournaments. Looking to achieve his dream of joining the AVP (Association of Volleyball Professionals), Kiley and a partner traveled to Chicago to compete in a qualifier, which resulted in 15th place out of 40 teams. For those of you who have attended at least one volleyball match this semester you know the intensity that the team plays with, but for those of you who could not make it, what you missed follows.

Each game begins with high-energy music and synchronized warm-ups. Each player is introduced and the music continues until game time. During each time-out, the music resumes and the crowd is encouraged to cheer along with Holden's mother, Mrs. H. M. Holden supplies the noisemakers and brings along candy and gum for the spectators in the stands.

As the season comes to an end and the play-offs are in sight, Holden believes that all of his goals for the season were accomplished. For play-offs Holden hopes to keep the intensity level high and end to build confidence in all of his players.

"I would like to raise the intensity of the game while keeping it fun for the team," said Holden. "So that the team not only have a great experience playing volleyball at RWU, but also have fun winning at RWU."


Sailing team continues success

Kris Davis, Contributing Writer

The Roger Williams University sailing team had a respectable season this past fall. The team participated in an average of two regattas per weekend—sometimes one on Saturday, one on Sunday, sometimes two on one day.

The team as a whole has improved greatly in the past couple of years due to their overwhelming dedication and commitment to the team and to the sport of sailing. The team is beginning to participate in larger and more prestigious regattas. As the team grows and develops, it also adjusts its goals.

One of the team's greatest goals is to become nationally ranked. While this is a realistic goal, it will require additional members and more dedication to the team. With more participation and support from the Roger Williams Community, these goals can be reached.

This spring, the team will be sailing at schools in Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts. They are also entering regattas where large boats are sailed. With the addition of new sailors this spring season, the team hopes to sail in more regattas and climb one step closer to reaching their main goal: a national ranking.

Intramurals underway

Spring leagues are underway with play starting last week for Floor Hockey, Softball and Beach Volleyball. Events coming up soon include an indoor golf clinic and flag football tournament. Rosters are due for both events on April 8. The golf clinic will run from April 12 to April 19 and the flag football will run from April 12 to April 15. Rosters are available in the Intramurals office. For more information, contact Jim Cook or Mike Gallagher at x3991.

March Madness ends with UConn upsetting DUKE

Michael Lynch, Staff Writer

Every year, when the calendar changes from February to March, basketball fans move to the edge of their seats as the time of year known as March Madness begins. The NCAA Tournament attracts 64 college teams from across the United States. Cinderella stories are a normal occurrence and the 1999 version of the tournament was no different.

Every fan looked to mighty Duke to calculus through the NCAA Tournament after losing only one game over the course of the season. They easily advanced through the first two rounds as did the other number one seeds Connecticut, Michigan State and Auburn. The surprises came in the form of clubs like Southern Missouri State, Oklahoma, Miami of Ohio and Gonzaga, who were all seeded tenth or lower. Gonzaga defeated Stanford, a Final Four team last season, in the first round.

Miami of Ohio upset last year's national runner-up, Utah, in the second round. The Sweet 16 was not safe from the upset bug either. The biggest upset sent Florida home and sent the upset Gonzaga Bulldogs into the Elite Eight. Ohio State defeated number one seed Auburn, Arizona, thus, was the first number one seed eliminated.

The Elite Eight round did not hold to the form of the tournament, as there were no upsets sprung. Gonzaga's magnificent ride through the tournament ended when they were defeated by the Connecticut Huskies. The Final Four was set, with Duke taking on Michigan State and Connecticut versus Ohio State.

With the Final Four set, the experts still predicted the Duke Blue Devils to walk away from St. Petersburg with the national championship. Duke, who had beaten Michigan State earlier in the year, defeated the Spartans again to advance to the national final. Their opponent in the national championship game would be the Connecticut Huskies, who defeated the Ohio State Buckeyes to advance to face Duke.

The national championship capped an amazing college basketball season in perhaps one of the most exciting finals in history. The underdog Huskies defeated Duke, 77-74, in an upset few predicted and even less expected. In a see-saw battle, a Richard Hamilton three pointer in the final minute and a turnover by Duke sharpshooter Travis Linhm in the closing seconds sealed the first national championship for the Connecticut Huskies.

Crew team gearing up for big season

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The Roger Williams crew team is gearing up for a great spring season. The team is showing remarkable improvement and with over 20 returning members and a new boat, the Senate Oars 99, they hope to continue the trend this season.

Last season, the team raced in the Head of the Charles regatta, one of the largest regattas in New England. The varsity four passed 4 boats out of 58 and the women's varsity four passed 12 boats. The team was pleased with their performance and is anxious to improve on this season.

Led by Coach Mike McKenna and captains, senior Fernando Goncalves, junior Scott Gregory and Danielle DiPaolo and sophomore Tara Bayly, the team practices Monday through Friday at 6:30 a.m. While they are unsure of how many boats will race, they are busy preparing for their first regatta on April 17 at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy in Bourneville, Mass.

Anyone interested in joining the crew team can contact captains Gregory at x7530, DiPaolo at x7587, or Bayly at x7532. All are welcome.

DiMaggio dies

On March 8, 1999, Joe DiMaggio, a baseball legend, passed away a few months after having a cancerous tumor removed from his lungs. While the fans of this generation never saw him play, his memory will live on in the records and the stories he left behind. Baseball has lost an extraordinary player and a great man. Rest in peace, Joe — we'll miss you.