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Nirschel's major announcement was that the D.P. Ray Foundation has donated $1 million to the university to build the center. The center will come to campus following the hard work and dedication that the students, faculty and staff have put into the sustainability initiative, Nirschel said.

Nirschel also said plans are in the works to make RWU the home of the Anthony Quinn archives, featuring films and other memorabilia from the life of the legendary movie star who lived in Bristol until his death in 2001.

Nirschel announced that the university will introduce a new film studies program next semester. “It’s a way of saying the arts are a part of RWU,” Nirschel said. “As the arts mature at RWU, there will be more and more of them.”

Nirschel also announced plans to redesign the "involvement wall." The wall is in the Recreation Center, put up earlier this year, will be modified in order to do away with the art of Student Programs and Leadership, clarified that although the Student Senate voted to allocate money in order to remove the photo of Baxi, two panels of the wall would have to be removed.

According to Bristol police, MacLeod died when he was thrown from the front passenger seat of a car traveling north on the Mount Hope Bridge, just yards from campus. Police said the driver of the car was intoxicated at the time of the crash.

Friend charged with DUI, death resulting

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Phd Devitt
Features Editor

The spirit of the bill is to replace a picture,” Hiscock said. “No one has agreed to allow the wall to be redesigned.”

Phil Devitt
Features Editor

The Student Involvement Wall in the Recreation Center, put up earlier this year, will be replaced after the Senate passed a bill allocating money for its removal Monday night.

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NIRSCHEL: Illuminates future projects for RWU

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I want to be the gold standard for all liberal arts colleges.

Nirschel said a second level will be added to the New Marine Biology annex to house the other sciences and to offer more laboratory space to students.

The university is working closely with New England Aquarium to build a shellfish hatchery and to help develop the marine science program, according to Nirschel.

The growth in campus diversity and inclusiveness was a major theme in Nirschel’s speech.

“Fifteen percent of the faculty are self-declared minorities, up from five percent eight years ago,” Nirschel said.

Nirschel announced plans to expand the Intercultural Center and touch on plans for Global Heritage Hall, which is being built on the former site of the New Academic Building.

To the delight of many of the staff members in attendance, Nirschel also announced plans to make the university more global by sending a few staff members to Florence. He stressed the importance of faculty understanding what it is like to be “the other” so that international students come to Bristol, people can relate to them.

The speech also included some of the plans for the new living learning community being built near North Campus which will include classroom space.

Nirschel concluded the speech by thanking the faculty and staff for all their hard work in the university. “I am very proud of where we have come as a university.”

WALL: $3,000 redesign in the works

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Senate President Alicia Merschen-Perez said that the removal of the photo of Baxi will be done in a cost-effective manner.

“[Student Senate] will aim to replace the panels with the most inexpensive route possible,” Merschen-Perez said. “[Student Senate] is always looking to achieve fiscal responsibility.”

According to Merschen-Perez, if Jordan Viola, the artist who created the existing wall, is available, he will be asked to alter the involvement wall.

“If that’s not possible, we have a great design center and we can utilize their knowledge of design,” Merschen-Perez said.

Although the decision to spend the money to alter the involvement wall has been made, some student leaders disagree with a total removal of the wall solely based on the one picture of Baxi.

“Don’t think they should redo the whole entire wall,” Student Advocate Andrew Gilden said. “That will cost a lot of time and money.”

Senior and General Manager of WQRI Dominic Lombardi agreed.

“I don’t think that the panel should come down because of ShashVlat’s picture,” Lombardi said.

The issue is that [the wall] does not accurately celebrate and showcase all student involvement.”

Hiscock also addressed the issue of displacing student leaders with the involvement wall.

“After the wall was put up, certain groups felt left out,” Hiscock said, and he named the orientation staff as one of the groups that expressed displeasure.

“A lot of people, however, liked the idea that the wall existed. Student leaders who cross groups are portrayed in the [the wall] the first time,” Chair of the Campus Entertainment Network.

Yesterday’s news... today

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Event created to curb pre-dance drinking

Stephanie Hunt
Herald Staff

Picture this: the basketball swooshes through the net, two points and the ball sounds. Next to you, someone is racing to the finish line on their motorcycle while someone shoots for zombies two feet away. People are munching on food, ranging from steak to cheese and laughter fills the air. This is Dave & Busters. It might not be your idea of a typical Friday night at college. But for a few student-run programs, a night like Chameleon Club night, senior and CBN "theme weekend" chair Kristin Ayles said, "The bottom line is that it does not take alcohol consumption to make an event fun. Chameleon Club's policy is that it does not take alcohol consumption to make an event a Chameleon Club event. A lot of time, money and planning goes into an event like this and it would be a real shame for it to come into question because of irresponsible drinking on the student body's part."

The Dave & Busters trip is just the beginning of a campus-wide education effort on what is and is not appropriate on a Chameleon Club night," senior and CBN "theme weekend" chair Kristin Ayles said. "The goal is to offer the freshmen an opportunity for the students to get off campus and introduced to fun activities in the area," McMahon said. "The goal is to offer the freshmen something exciting prior to the D&B trip."

Chameleon Club is a school-wide tradition in which all the classes can get together to dance and have a good time. In recent years, pre-event drinking has become a problem. Once students have used up their game cards, it will be time to load the buses and head to Chameleon Club. Students attending should dress to the Woodstock theme because the buses will take them directly to the Recreational Center for a "VIP" entrance.

If successful, the school desires to continue and develop this into a unique annual event for the freshmen class.

Students gather to say 'Not on our campus'

Nicholas Westbrook
Herald Staff

It was a clear Wednesday afternoon, and outside the Recreation Center, a murmur of excitement was circulating as the hum of speakers filled the air. Students on campus, faces painted with various colors, cheered as live music played. To kick it off, junior Brian LeDuc sang "Waiting on the World to Change" by John Mayer.

It may sound like an outdoor concert, but this program is going to help Roger Williams' students rebuild the campus community.

"This program is going to help Roger Williams' students become respectful and understand their fellow classmates," President Roy J. Nirschel said at the rally.

The students on the Not on Our Campus committee have made their voices heard and given a medium for the rally was an excellent example of students rebuilding the campus community.

"Not on our campus" is now on campus, talked about how proud he was of the campus for the efforts of the students who want to make changes for the better. He said he believes that this program is going to help Roger Williams' students become respectful and understand their fellow classmates.

President Roy J. Nirschel attended the event. He said he believes that the rally was an excellent example of students rebuilding the campus community.

With the upcoming election, Nirschel said he believes that it is important that students stay aware of problems such as racism.

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"Finding a voice is only part of the solution to a world without hate," said President Roy J. Nirschel.

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COMING FALL 2008

TIPS On Premise Alcohol Servers Certification Training AT BAYPOINT INN (Bridges Lounge)

ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY

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RWU Students ....... $15.00
Community Members.... $35.00

Saturday: Oct 11: 10:00am - 2:00pm
Saturday Nov 8: 10:00am - 2:00pm
Saturday Dec 6: 10:00am - 2:00pm

Pre-registration required by contacting Donna Darmody, Director of Health Education 401 254-3413

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A performance coach, Hunter helps clients do just this. She has them practice using various tools and techniques, such as diaphragmatic breathing, vocal exercises and physical exercises with the goal being to help them become better performers and presenters. Her theory is that the breath is what connects the body and mind, and this connection is essential to how people communicate and perform in everyday life.

“...learning how to perform in front of an audience is only a small portion of her extraordinary gift,” Hunter says. “But that is only a tiny portion of her extraordinary gift.”

Includes being a member of famed jazz group The Dukes of Dixieland, Dole juice, and Gerber baby food, heading the dance program and chairing the art department at Greenwich Academy in Connecticut, teaching dance at RWU, and perhaps most intriguing of all, being a performance coach.

“As performance coach, Hunter brings to our clients the most amazing set of tools — the tools she learned from her dance training, which is based on connecting the mind and body resulting in optimal authenticity, presence in the moment, and openness to sensory experience around you,” Hunter says.

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Hunter has coached senior executives of People magazine and has worked with Architectural Digest, Elle magazine, and other publications. Hunter also spent a year coaching the hosts at the Home Shopping Network to help re-vamp and modernize their style of performance and to help them be more authentic on camera. But her latest project entails coaching a chef from Cooking Light magazine who is being groomed for a slot on the Food Network.

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Sometimes, the client may need help with diction, other times better vocabulary choices. Regardless, Hunter coaches the individual through his or her presentation one on one for a period of six months. And as a spiritual person who leans toward Buddhism, she works from a more holistic standpoint in order to help them become authentic communicators and performers.

“...basically, there are so many ways we perform every day,” Hunter says. “But it’s really about being our best selves, and how we can be our most authentic communicators on a daily basis. It’s been very successful. It’s a whole other dimension of dealing with people who aren’t dancers and I love that, I love the universal aspect of performance in general. We’re all creative thinkers and we’re all communicators ... It all comes from the same place ... It’s a process of self-discovery.”

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When in Rome... live like the Italians

Kelleigh Welch poses with fellow senior Benjamin Lafelure in front of Mount Vesuvius. Below, a view of the Pompeii Forum in Italy.

Kelleigh Welch

Opinion

From the perspective of a non-smoker

Kelleigh Sweeney

Opinion editor

On my way to class yesterday morning, I looked around and enjoyed the beautiful day that was starting. Then I took a deep breath of smoke.

Wait, I'm not a smoker. What is going on?

As I am sure many people have experienced, the person in front of me was smoking so near a smoking area that we had to get to the smoking pavilion. Why do some smokers think that by moving while smoking, the ban doesn't apply to them? For someone that doesn't smoke, this behavior is bothersome because it was a conscious choice for us not to smoke and thereby to not breathe in smoke.

Yet another common smoking incident occurs when one walks out of a building that isn't near a smoking area to find people still close to the building smoking. Just because there isn't an area nearby doesn't mean that you can just smoke were you please. Once again, nonsmokers have to walk through plumes of smoke.

Is this still a problem? The creation of the smoking areas was a wonderful idea and would be effective if people actually used them. However, as you pass by the smoking area on your way to CAS, the smoke plumes out of the pavilion filling the lungs of those who go by. Some people have commented that it seems as if there are more smokers this year. Maybe there are just a few more disrespectful smokers this year.

Why do people break these simple rules about smoking? If they aren't working, we need to reexamine them or strictly enforce the laws we do have so people have to follow them. I think that with some of the ruder smokers, it is the belief that they are one and only one person and that they can break the rules.

There are plenty of smokers who do the right thing by following the rules on campus. I respect the fact that people that want to smoke can smoke and shouldn't have to go too far out of their way to do so. It is the crimes of a few that cause trouble for many of the smokers on campus.

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Couple of the Moment:

Samantha Brennan and DJ Sevigny

Reporting by: Lorin Richardson

Sam:

How did the two of you meet?

We met at a rugby party. I'd seen him before in the Commons and thought he was so cute, so I kind of ran into him on purpose so he'd turn around and talk to me. (I know it's kind of embarrassing.) Then we got to talking and went back to my room. We ended up talking and getting close until really early in the morning and right before he left he asked for my number. Then he called me the next day.

What is your favorite thing to do together?

We love going into Newport and going to the beach (even in the winter). We're both kinds of beach bums. We both love getting dressed up and getting close until really early in the morning and eating at a nice restaurant, or just going to Ben and Jerry's and getting one big waffle cone with chocolate brownie and chocolate chip cookie dough ice cream, we always have fun. Sometimes, ordering dinner to our rooms and eating together while watching a movie is something we love to do, too.

What is the sweetest thing he has ever done for you?

There are a lot of things that DJ has done for me that would make any girl jealous. But I think the sweetest thing is that he has never given up on me or our relationship. Even when I'm a total brat, he is still patient and amazing (and all our friends can comment on the people. "Intervention" on A&E is a favorite. We also love "Nanny 911," because we talk about when we're parents and how we're going to raise our kids. We watch "Family Guy," a lot too because it's almost always on.

When did you meet?

We met in September of freshman year (last year). But we weren't "official" until November.

How is your favorite TV show?

We love to watch reality-type shows so we can comment on the people. "Intervention" on A&E is a favorite. We also love "Nanny 911," because we talk about when we're parents and how we're going to raise our kids.

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DJ:

How did the two of you meet?

We met about a year ago at some rugby party. She literally ran into me, then we started talking, and the rest is history.

What is your favorite thing to do together?

We always love going into Newport to do different things there. Whether it's the cliff walk, going out to eat at a nice restaurant, or just going to Ben and Jerry's and getting one big waffle cone with chocolate brownie and chocolate chip cookie dough ice cream, we always have fun. Sometimes, ordering dinner to our rooms and eating together while watching a movie is something we love to do, too.

What is her favorite music group? (no cheating!)

Sam loves the Jonas Brothers, Dropkick Murphys, Eric Clapton and Billy Joel. It's funny, because she always makes fun of me for growing up on Long Island, but she loves Billy Joel, who grew up on Long Island too.

Do you fight? If so, how do you resolve it?

We get into little arguments every once in a while, but within about two hours, we make up. Instead of always arguing about stupid stuff, we just talk it out, and that works out much better.

That's probably why we never really get into huge arguments.

What is the sweetest thing she has ever done for you?

This past summer, when I went up to her house for a couple of days, Sam completely cleaned out her older brother's room, put an air conditioner in the room, made the bed, cleaned the rest of the house and went grocery shopping. She even got me a bottle of wine too, because I was sunburned. I couldn't believe she did so much work for me so that I would feel at home.
Upcoming Games

Men’s soccer rolls over WIT with balanced attack

Men’s Soccer
Saturday, Sept. 20 @ Curry College (CCC)
Wednesday, Sept. 24 @ Gordon College (CCC)

Women’s Soccer
Saturday, Sept. 20 @ Curry College (CCC)
Tuesday, Sept. 23 @ Gordon College (CCC)

Women’s Volleyball
Saturday, Sept. 20 @ U. of New England (CCC)
Wednesday, Sept. 24 @ Regis College (CCC)

Women’s Tennis
Saturday, Sept. 20 @ Endicott (CCC)
Tuesday, Sept. 23 @ Salve Regina (CCC)

Men’s Tennis
Sunday, Sept. 21 @ Bryant University
Thursday, Sept. 25 @ Williams College

Men’s & Women’s Cross Country
Saturday, Sept. 20 @ UMass Dartmouth

Sports

Don DelBiacio
Sports Editor

The Roger Williams University men’s soccer team won its second consecutive Commonwealth Coast Conference game when it defeated Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston on Saturday.

The Hawks saw a balanced scoring attack in the 3-0 win, with three different players finding the net off the foot of two different midfielders.

RWU’s first goal came in the 35th minute when freshman midfielder Archie Moore found a running Liam Isleib who slipped the ball past the keeper for his first ever collegiate goal.

Just under two minutes after the first goal came the second. Again it was Moore who set up the score, getting the ball to sophomore Winston Smith who was able to capitalize on a shot taken just right of the goal.

The game was put out of reach with about 15 minutes left when sophomore Daniel Hunter received a pass from junior Chris Guerrini and beat the keeper for his first goal of the year.

The Hawk defense stymied the Wentworth attack all game long and although the Leopards had twelve shots many of them struggled to find the goal area and the few that did were turned away by sophomore goalkeeper Peter Plate who had four saves on the day.

Roger Williams, which is now undefeated in conference play at 2-0, improves to 3-1 overall and will be back in action Wednesday when they head to Endicott college for a 7 p.m. game.

Congratulations to the sailing team, ranked second nationally. Check future issues for further stories.

The Roger Williams University Women’s Tennis team recorded two dominating wins over Commonwealth Coast Conference opponents when they defeated Wentworth Institute of Technology 8-1 on Thursday, and Western New England College 7-2 on Saturday.

Leading the Hawks was Sophomore Leah Ribchinsky who was a combined 4-0 in the #1 singles and #1 doubles bracket, where she teamed up with fellow Sophomore Lily Osowski.

Freshman Amanda Wolfe and Caitlin Osephchuk notched their first collegiate wins against the Leopards of WIT with victories in both the singles and doubles brackets.

The Hawks, now 2-1 (2-0 CCC), will take the courts again when they travel to CCC opponent Nichols College on Wednesday.

Match Results
Western New England College v.s. Roger Williams
Singles competition:
1. Leah Ribchinsky (RWU) def. Kristen Ayers (WNEC) 6-3, 6-2
2. Nicole DeSimone (WNEC) def. Lily Osowski (RWU) 6-2, 6-2
3. Katie Wilmes (RWU) def. Nicole Freed (WNEC) 6-2, 6-2
4. Amanda Wolfe (RWU) def. Kelly Murname (WNEC) 6-4, 6-1
5. Katein Richard (RWU) def. Christina Barbarisi (WNEC) 6-2, 6-2
6. Caitlin Osephchuk (RWU) def. Colleen Swan (WNEC) 6-2, 6-1

Doubles competition:
1. Lily Osowski/Leah Ribchinsky (RWU) def. Kristen Ayers/Nicole DeSimone (WNEC) 6-3, 6-2
2. Nicole Freed/Kelly Murname (WNEC) def. Katie Wilmes/Caitlin Osephchuk (RWU) 6-3
3. Kristin Davis/Amanda Wolfe (RWU) def. Colleen Swan/Victoria Pratt (WNEC) 8-8
Women's soccer wins opening conference game with 3-0 shutout

Dan DeBlasio
Sports Editor

It was Freshman Katie Fusaro who was the difference in the BWU women's soccer game against Wentworth Institute of Technology Saturday, scoring all three goals and leading the Hawks to their first conference win of the season.

Fusaro kicked off her scoring early on in the tenth minute when she stepped in front of a Leopards goal kick just to the right of the goal. Shewent on to score once with WIT keeper Katherine Matthews beating her and putting RWU up early.

Roger Williams was able to take advantage of a red card foul in the fifth minute which forced the Leopards to finish out the game with only 10 players. Just three minutes after the given advantage Fusaro hooked up with Senior Kristen O'Gorman finding the net once again.

The game was put out of reach when Fusaro notched her third of the day with just over 5 minutes remaining in the match, she now has four goals on the young season.

Junior goalkeeper Jen Gurside has continued her strong play between the posts recording her third shutout in as many games, needing four saves to keep the Leopards of the board.

Roger Williams moves to 3-1 (1-0 CCC) and hopes to improve that mark when they travel to Endicott Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.

NFL season off and running, but who knows what to expect

Dan Malkin
Herald Staff

Six months after the New York Giants pulled off the greatest upset in NFL history, the 2008 season began with a bang following two exciting weeks of football action.

The New England Patriots started life without Tom Brady and won their first game with Matt Cassel at the helm. Cassel was proficient in managing the offense in his first NFL start and led the Pats over Broadway Brett and the Jets, 19-10 this weekend.

We have just completed Week 2 of the NFL season, but football fans across America are already becoming ecstatic for what is bound to be a unique and peculiar season. The Cleveland Browns, San Diego Chargers, Jacksonville Jaguars and Minnesota Vikings all came into this season as potential favorites to run the table in their respective divisions.

They have all started 0-2, while underdog teams such as the Buffalo Bills, Tennessee Titans, Carolina Panthers, and Arizona Cardinals are off to good starts at 2-0. Though it is still early in the season, it will be interesting to see what occurs over the next few weeks.

One of the most exciting and compelling games this past week was the matchup between the San Diego Chargers and the Denver Broncos.

Trailing 38-31, the Broncos drove down the field where they found themselves on the 3-yard line. On second down quarterback Jay Cutler received the snap, faded back and looked for an open receiver. The ball slipped out of his hands, landed on the turf and was eventually picked up by the Chargers. The referees called the possession an incomplete pass and would not allow Norv Turner and the Chargers the opportunity to review the play. Two plays after the fumble, Cutler hit Eddie Royal for a 4-yard touchdown bringing Denver within 3 points of San Diego.

The sellout crowd at Mile High Stadium held their breath in anticipation as Mike Shanahan made the gutsy call to go for two. Cutler once again hit Royal in the back of the end zone to take the lead and escape with the win in amazing fashion.

After a week of having to deal with Vince Young, his injured right knee and his over-publicized disappearing act, the Titans won their second game of the season with a dominating win against the Washington Redskins. Giants fans should once again be eating popcorn and enjoying their team once again.

The season is underway, beer commercials are seen on a regular basis and fantasy sports leagues have kicked off across the country. Week three looks to be just as exciting, with the Vikings hosting Steve "Cat Fight" Smith and the Panthers as well as the Bengals traveling to the Meadowlands to get stomped on by the Giants.

To all football fans out there, grab a cold one and get excited for the games and the good times that lie ahead.