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the gun question

As some R.I. colleges consider arming campus security,
Public Safety director says RWU has no plans to do same

Efficient and effective

RWU hires former DOT head to oversee spending

ONLINE EXTRA

2
9
16
reported cases of aggravated assault
reported cases of forcible sex offenses
reported burglaries

crime on campus

Figures based on crime reports in 2007. Provided by Clery Crime Reports

Rise and shine

Glass dome tops off admissions building

President Roy J. Nirschel addressed a large crowd of alumni, parents, students and faculty at the Cupola Raising ceremony, which "topped off" the just-announced Alumni & Admissions Center, scheduled to open in late spring. Nirschel thanked those involved with the capital project, including Behan Brothers as contractors and the architectural firm Newport Collaborative, represented at the ceremony by RWU alum, Jim Libby '02 SAAHP. Senior Vice President Lynn Footrup discussed the importance of the new Enrollment & Advancement division, thanked the alumni in attendance and invited them to participate in a Time Capsule ceremony to be held at the center's official housewarming celebration during Homecoming & Family Weekend this October. Nirschel led the chant with those in attendance, including Swoop, to "raise the cupola" and cheers rang out as the large glass dome was crane-lifted and set into place at the top of the new alumni & admissions "home" on campus.
The Ort Report - Bon Appetit eyes food waste

Ben Whitmore
Staff Writer

Over half a ton in just two days - that is how much Roger Williams University students left on their plates Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Bon Appetit, the dining management company that runs the Upper Commons, has begun its "Post Consumer Waste Program." Across the country, university dining halls managed by Bon Appetit are following suit and weighing the various portions of their treasured or left over table scraps.

"Bon Appetit is running a post-consumer waste program through April to determine how much food customers waste." So far, it is working.

The five-gallon buckets being filled with half eaten food, which are located in front of the dish-return conveyor belt, seem to be already affecting students' portions. After just one day, students reduced their food waste weight by 75 pounds.

"I want students to know that [Bon Appetit] is not trying to pass on the guilt," Hennessy said. "Our goal is to enlighten the culture that it is just that easy to go green.

Where is all this food going?

After purreeing the weighed food in a "pulper," Bon Appetit ships out the mush to Bristol's Waste Management Department, which turns leftovers into compost.

Bon Appetit's Post Consumer Waste Program is scheduled to run for five weeks for students, and then continue for another five weeks providing pureed food on Earth Day, April 22.

The first week's net weight will provide baseline figures with which Bon Appetit will rate its progress.

Students who are interested in volunteering at the Upper Commons plate-scraping station can contact Josh Hennessy at jhennessy@rwu.edu.

RUW announces partnership with Latino Policy Institute

Phil DeCoti Editor

The university on Thursday announced plans to partner with the Rhode Island Latino Policy Institute, a new organization founded to research Rhode Island's growing, often misunderstood, Latino population.

"The issues affecting the Latino community are not only Latino issues. They affect every Rhode Islander," President Roy J. Nirschel said during a press conference at the Providence campus, listing education, economic security and healthcare as some of those issues.

Students are seeing a rise in the number of community colleges and state universities, but also private universities are worried about enrollment drops-and we're not expecting that to happen-we're trying to be more efficient," Nirschel said.

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Also, sophomore Senator Ziad Ackhar said that he felt there is not enough Senate attendance at events hosted by the various RUW organizations. Ackhar said he will push more events for students to participate in the event.

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In Residence: Students tour new living space

Kelliegh Welch
Managing Editor

Last Saturday, the Department of Residence Life and Housing opened the doors to the New Residence Hall for three hours to provide students with a tour of the progress of what could be their future homes.

Approximately 450 students and faculty attended the event, and were handed hard hats and sent through the building.

Students could enter from either side, north or south, of the residence hall, walking through a cluttered hallway (as construction is still occurring), and brought to the second level, where sheet rock had been placed on the walls throughout the week to give visitors a better sense of the rooms. Staff was located in each room and throughout the hallways to provide students with information whenever needed.

The first area shown was a typical 10-person suite, including four doubles and two singles. In all, the suite side will contain 10 of those suites, and six six-person suites.

According to Director of Residence Life and Housing Tony Montefusco, a typical single in the suite portion of the New Residence Hall is approximately the same size as a single in Maple. The bed will be lofted, placing the desk and dresser under the bed, and still allowing room for a futon.

A typical double will contain two closets to the right and left of the entrance, then open into a larger room to hold the furniture.

Like Maple Hall, each suite will contain a common room for residents, and will include a microwave, sink and refrigerator for everyone to use. Residents will need to have a meal plan, but they will still have the luxury of micro-waved popcorn.

There will also be a separate shower, sink and toilet area, so that residents can, for example, use the shower while another washes their hands.

Crossing over to the apartment side of the building, students will first walk along a glass-covered bridge with a view of the parking lot to one side, and a second bridge to the other side where students from the apartment side can cross to the central area.

Between the suite and apartment sides of the New Residence Hall is a central common area. This central area will include seminar rooms, which will be used as classrooms and for conferences, a kitchen, which can be used by resident assistants for programs, and on the bottom floor, a café will be provided for the coffee habits of students.

On the apartment side, tours were brought into a typical quad, which included two bedrooms, living room, bathroom with separate shower room (and lots of storage), and kitchen with all the standard equipment. Instead of providing a kitchen table, each apartment will come with an eating counter with stools.

Rooms for the RAs, both on the suite and apartment sides, are spacious, but do not contain a kitchen or living room area.

Other new benefits to the residence hall include small study 'nooks,' where students can do their work in quiet, and the laundry machines should be more efficient than those in the other residence halls.

The walls are double sheet rocked, meaning that the sleeping rooms will be quiet.

"If someone runs down the hall screaming, you shouldn't be able to hear it," Montefusco said.

Montefusco predicts that the majority of residents in the New Residence Hall will be sophomores and juniors, however seniors may also choose to live there.

"A lot of students want to be in the new building," Carol Sacchetti, Assistant Director of Housing, said. "For the most part, it seemed as though the suites were a big hit.

Montefusco said, "I spoke to a group of senior women that were thinking about submitting a self-proposed living/learning community application so that all ten of them could live together in the suites... Seniors." Students had mixed feelings on the new residence hall rooms.

"I don't think I'm going to be living there," sophomore Dan Shea said. "It could be good if you had the right amount of people to live there as a living/learning community, but the rooms are small. It's like a newer Bayside.

Henry Linder, a freshman, had a more positive feeling about the residence hall. "I liked the high ceilings and general suite arrangement. I'm also looking forward to the new quad in between the buildings," he said.

Despite the ability to give the tour last Saturday, the construction workers still have a lot to do before the opening of the hall next semester.
In the new residence hall, the ballplayers take on an entirely different feel. While the dorms in the past were a bit boring, this year there are more things going on for the students. The dorms are packed with fun and entertainment, and there are activities happening all the time. Students love the new atmosphere and are excited to be a part of it. The dorms are now a place where students can meet new people and have a good time. It's a great place to call home, and everyone is happy to be there.
Sarah Cournoyer
Managing Editor

Sigh, moan, mean all you want, but Valentines, Valentine. Rather than dread it for its non-historical significance or criticize it for being a "Hallmark holiday," let's embrace it for what it is: a day to show people how much we love them. I'm not saying that being single sucks. In fact, it's quite enjoyable. I can spend my time doing anything I want, when I want. I don't have to waste precious homework time to call my significant other, and I don't have to worry about what to get him (or her) for Valentine's Day, let alone find the money to buy that perfect card with a lame poem, or incredibly inappropriate innuendo.

No, I'm not bitter toward being single. I'm bitter to the idea of this holiday in its entirety. I've experienced all sorts of Valentine's Days. One year, I had the "greatest date ever," and another year I forgot, and most recently, I was actually dumped. Nice, right?

But why would I try rush through my week, planning some big date and buying candy or gifts, just so they can be thrown away later? Besides, why do we have to designate a single day each year to love? You can celebrate your relationship whenever you want. I don't need a specific day to tell people I love them.

So maybe I am a little bitter. But to those who are single this year, Valentine's Day is just another day. However, since the holiday falls on a Saturday, it cuts into my social life while half of my friends will be out on their dates. Despite my efforts to forget Valentine's Day, any phone call I get will easily catch my attention because my friend is on a date.

Instead, my plan is NOT to buy any sappy card for someone I "guess I like," or cry over a bowl of chocolate and "The Notebook," but instead to enjoy my Saturday like I would any other weekend.

So suck a Hallmark.

THE HAWK'S HEART

The Hawk's Herald asked students the following questions. Here are some of the more memorable answers.

What is the most bizarre gift you received for Valentine's Day?

Where is the most bizarre place you have ever been on a date?

Bizarre Gifts & Dates

Hooters

KFC

"The Shock"

"Dry Tortuga National Park" — 70 miles southeast of Key West

Amphitheatre

An "alpine" — my ex was a pilot

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Taco Bell drive-thru (yeah we broke up)

Ashley Wilcox
Asst. Features Editor

"Friday" not another typical date movie

Quote from Ryan Farrell, a junior who was at the showing, agreed.

"It portrayed teen youth to its finest," he said jokingly, referring to the excessive blood, marijuana referred to in the movie plot. However, it would be wise to think twice before taking your Valentine's Day date to this flick. You might get behind an armed and dangerous teenage sweetheart, but plan on leaving with white knuckles and a very sore hand.

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Will MacKenzie - I listen to your radio show every weekend. Your voice is so deep. I've never met you but I'm looking to change that. Love, your secret admirer
Here's your hint: blonde hair, green eyes, saw you in the laundry room

Mandie, I think you are pretty cool. Can we hold hands at recess? Gregg

DJ – The only reason why I am still with you is your sweet butt! JK – but no seriously...

My crew of five, I love you!!

I'm in an abusive relationship, it's called architecture.

I love all the wrestlers. They are the best guys on campus.

To all those I spend more than 1 hour with, I love you all!
- Aleksandra

To all those I miss your puffy cheeks. You make me excited emotionally and physically!
Lorin and Dee are amazing!

To all those I love despite everything.

Shout out to all Student Advocates! Love you all!
Hi Rand, I love you

I miss you at work, but I'm happy we have it.

I'm not sure if you are still my Valentine's Day love, but I love you.

Love, your secret admirer

Danny Dicomito
Will you marry me? Your secret admirer

Glady, I love you!

I Vit Toisignini, I want you all to know I think of you every night around snack time. Miss you girls!

Love, K-Welch

Dear Allison, To me you are perfect.

-Marc

Ted Beatty, you are my Valentine in Nashville. Make sure you don't look at other girls!

Jill

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Happy Valentine’s Day!

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Hawks Herald
Omar Reves

Happy Valentine’s Day, Lydi
I Love You!!!
-Rick

Happy Valentines Day, Lyli
I Love You!
-Jill

Sarah, You make my day everyday, I love you, Ben

To Samantha, Happy Valentine’s Day, babes. Let me know if you are getting married!

Happy Valentines Day,
Happy Valentines Day, babygirl – Geoff Suess

To Planet Forward, These past three weeks have been the best in my life

To all those I love and miss.

Penguin - I heard our crazy dance parties, Amanda's birthday, and being woken up at 3 a.m. for the longest burger of your life.
Love, Your Penguin

Lauren, you are the wind beneath my wings!

Wiley
Let us laugh at each other’s jokes and eat raisins together forever!
Love, Your Wiley!

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Kelleigh, will you marry me?

Dear Hawks Herald Staff, Thank you so much for all your hard work so far this year. Without you, we wouldn't have a paper each week. Keep up the great work!

-Herald Editors

To Almeida 426
Love in this club
Love Slayer

To all those who support me and my music, I love you.

Love, Your music

Hey Kelleigh, Remember that time you threw a glass measuring cup at me and it shattered? Awwww, you're the best! - Steve

Love, Your music
Valentine’s Day Polls

How do you feel about Valentine’s Day?
- Love It! (Blue) 33%
- Hate It! (Maroon) 21%
- Who Cares! (Yellow) 49%

What are you doing for Valentine’s Day?
- A hot date with my significant other! (Dark Blue) 33%
- Alone, crying over Ben and Jerry’s Ice Cream (yellow) 25%
- With my best friend doing our usual (Maroon) 33%
- Other: Work, conferences etc. (Light Blue) 06%

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Valentine's Day Vagabond

Trust me, I know what (men/women) want. So if you're having trouble finding a gift for that (adjective) someone this Valentine's Day, let me help you out.

What lady/man wouldn't like a (noun) for V-Day? Every time they (verb), they'll think of you. Or perhaps your significant other has a (sweet tooth), in that case a noun would make the perfect gift. Not only do they taste adjective, but they have the added bonus of being an aphrodisiac.

In a pinch noun never fail. Nothing says I verb you like the smell of number color noun. One whiff and you're guaranteed a night of adjective passion.

Or maybe you're the romantic type. Try lighting a few noun, filling the bathtub with hot liquid, and breaking out the bubble bath.

If you're feeling kind of frisky get her sexy noun. Put on your favorite music genre CD and whisper adjective things in her ear. Tell her that her hair looks adjective; call her a hunk of noun. That's sure to get her all hot and bothered.

My personal favorite though is dinner and a movie. I recommend movie title or a good genre flick. Make a bowl of noun, kick back and remind her/him that she's/his the adjective girl/boy in the world. As long as you haven't run out of oaths, dated slang aside, I think we'll all be happy, or at least you got paid.

Jacob Bean is a miniaturist that has made you laugh long enough. Take your Valentine away from the phones and bring her/him together. So I guess this is goodbye.

Sarah Gourger Managing Editor

Still don't know what you are doing with your sweetheart for Valentine's Day? Looking for a way to go out with your favorite cutie or best friend without burning a hole in your pockets? Check out these places that are economy-conscious and student-friendly.

Patriot Cinemas in Rumford and Cinemas in Providence offer special deals on February 14. Each cinema is offering a 'date night' for $29.99 per couple. The package includes two movies, soft drinks, popcorn, and a bottle of wine for the couple. In addition, each cinema is also offering a 'Valentine's Day' package for $39.99 per couple. The package includes two movies, soft drinks, popcorn, a bottle of wine, and a box of chocolates. The shows are scheduled for 7 p.m. at both cinemas. Call (401) 438-1100 or log on to http://www.cinemas.com for full listings and movie times.

Sardella's Italian Restaurant on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Sardella's special menu is $15 for dinner for two. The special also includes a bottle of Pinot Grigio or Merlot. The meal costs only $14.99 per person. The special is available during dinner hours only. The special is available during dinner hours only.

Wing Nights at Judge Roy Bean. Judge Roy Bean's Wing Night is every Monday. Enjoy 15 cents a wing on Monday nights at Judge Roy Bean. The special is available during dinner hours only.

Trinity Rep Student Ticket Prices

Trinity Repertory Company policy is that every student should be able to afford the theater, so they offer a myriad of deals and packages to allow young and old to attend their productions. The student discount allows students to purchase tickets for merely $10 each. This deal is available during the production. The student discount is available during the production. The student discount is available during the production. The student discount is available during the production.

Prices are listed in the "Senior" column. The "Senior" column is available during the production.

Rooted in Providence, Trinity Rep is currently running the play "Raisin in the Sun." (Through March 8) The theater offers a three-for-one discount to all students. Call (401) 351-2421 for further details.

Wing Nights in Bristol

Monday and Wednesday nights are Wing Nights in Bristol. Enjoy deals on wings, check out the menu and wings for only 25 cents each. Monday and Wednesday nights are wing nights at Topsail, but you can also enjoy 16 cents a wing on Wednesday nights at the street in Judge Roy Bean.

Valentine's Day Tunes for the Lonely

When you sleep alone tonight? I just want to remind people like me that when you sleep alone tonight, your heart is still beating. You don't have a girlfriend, and that's okay. Some people, we know the truth. Some people, we know about this fact. Sure, some people might be celebrating love and togetherness, but us lonely people, we know the truth. So, while others are slow dancing to Peaches and Herb's "Reunited" thinking that it feels so good, I come up with a list of songs to listen to while lying alone in bed in a dark room wishing that they had a day for the lonely.

Joy Division: Love Will Tear Us Apart

Tom Waits: Ruby's Arms

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Why do I hate Valentine's Day? I hate Valentine's Day. I don't have a girlfriend, and that's okay. Some people, we know the truth. Some people, we know about this fact. Sure, some people might be celebrating love and togetherness, but us lonely people, we know the truth. So, while others are slow dancing to Peaches and Herb's "Reunited" thinking that it feels so good, I come up with a list of songs to listen to while lying alone in bed in a dark room wishing that they had a day for the lonely.

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Just because you're "in an awful way" doesn't mean you can't have fun about it. Sure, some guy might try to set you up with his sister who "resembles some cat named Frankensteins" (actually, Mr. Cook, the sister does resemble Frankensteins Monster), but at least you get some money because you just got paid. Of course, underneath the somewhat upbeat arrangement (Tom Stevens' version really could feel you into thinking that it wasn't a sad song) lies a lot desperation and heartache: at the end of it all, he's just looking for "some chick to talk to," and, dated slang aside, I think we'll all agree that it's a rather pitiful notion or into defeat.

Johnny Marr provides a right kind of give in his lyrics to Morissey's vocals to roam around in intensity and emotion. And, once again, I must applaud Marr for his delicious melody line. Instead of ending the song on a "normal" note with Marr crying out for his love, he goes into a new mode of delivery: "...as if I say goodbye to you..." or, to put it another way: "...as if I didn't know that was my true love..."

I realize I was wrong to assume that Tom Waits would be the gentleman he says he is: "...as if I knew that was my true love..." In the song, the man is saying goodbye to the woman he has loved, but at least you got paid. Of course, underneath the somewhat upbeat arrangement (Tom Stevens' version really could feel you into thinking that it wasn't a sad song) lies a lot desperation and heartache: at the end of it all, he's just looking for "some chick to talk to," and, dated slang aside, I think we'll all agree that it's a rather pitiful notion.
GUNS: No bullets in near future for Public Safety

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occurrence of burglary on-campus that year. RWU had 16 reported cases, RIC reported two cases and URI and CCRI reported none. RWU also reported nine cases of forcible sex offenses in 2007; the other three schools had no reported cases that year.

Yet, despite the alarming figures, Blessing maintains that arming Public Safety is not necessary. "I have been here since May 2008. I have not witnessed one incident where it would have been necessary for Public Safety to be armed," said Blessing, who served as an officer with the Rhode Island State Police for 25 years.

However, in cases where the university did deem armed police officers necessary, RWU called upon the Bristol Police Department to assist in on-campus security.

"The university benefits from a close relationship with the Bristol Police Department," said John King, Vice President for Student Affairs. "We have never had an important situation that [Bristol PD] has not responded to in a timely manner."

RWU has "three police departments in the vicinity of school property," Blessing said. Besides Bristol police, off-campus property lies within the jurisdiction of the Portsmouth Police Department and the Rhode Island State Police.

Even without the help of professional law enforcement officers, Public Safety officers are qualified to handle potentially dangerous situations themselves, Blessing said. All four of the shift commanders on the Public Safety staff, who are on duty 24/7, are either ex-professional law enforcement or ex-military officers. Public Safety officers trained with Bristol police last November to learn how to respond to campus violence. In addition, Public Safety benefits from a certified EMT on duty at all times to respond to medical emergencies.

Yet, would Public Safety officers be able to do an even better job if they carried guns? If they were armed, it would "change the relationship between [Public Safety] officers and students," King said. King advocates "a community relationship at the university that stresses cooperation" between the two groups.

Besides the officer-student relationship changing, Public Safety personnel would also have to change if guns were brought into the picture. Public Safety officers do not have arrest powers; the rights which certified police officers have permitting them to forcibly place suspects under arrest. If Public Safety officers were to be issued firearms, they would first have to undergo extensive police training and become certified, badge-carrying police officers. RWU does not deem this re-training and re-staffing of Public Safety necessary.

Some students rejected the idea that Public Safety officers should have guns.

"It would be far too out of line [to arm Public Safety]," Junior Joe Neri said.

"There is really no reason to arm Public Safety officers," junior Owen McGaffey said.

Although sophomore Lindsay Dulude has never heard of a situation where a gun would have been necessary for Public Safety officers to have had, she also said that "if [RWU] had trained law enforcement, that would feel a lot better."

"Although the campus is pretty safe to begin with, I feel better calling Bristol Police Department," Dulude said.

Sophomore Krystina Osgood said that even though Public Safety officers "have the stigma of being mall cops," even armed Public Safety officers "would not be respected."

Although it is unlikely that RWU will take the necessary steps to arm its Public Safety officers, the Public Safety department is taking steps to improve its visibility on campus. Officers on bicycles will patrol the campus this spring. According to Blessing, bike patrol officers will be on-duty for the first, second and third shifts this semester. Blessing hopes to increase that service time during the summer.

Officers on bikes are a "great tool for campus Public Safety," Blessing said. Not only do they allow officers to reach areas of campus not assessible by car, but also bikes are more eco-friendly and help the university reach its sustainability goals, Blessing said.

Even though RWU is not crime-free, it is the opinion of both the university's administration and Public Safety director that arming Public Safety officers would not be warranted. The verdict is still out on Rhode Island's public colleges and universities, however.

"I believe that each campus needs to make its own risk assessment and weigh the benefits and costs of having armed public safety officers," King said.

All crime statistics provided by Clery Crime Reports from each mentioned school. All figures represent crimes reported to school public safety officials in 2007. Figures from Rhode Island College, the University of Rhode Island, and the Community College of Rhode Island represent data collected from their Providence campuses only.

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The Hawk’s Herald Fun

Senate “Did You Know?” of the Week
Senator Cassie Carlson is afraid of oranges?

‘Not That Into You’ fun to see with friends

Katie Sweeny
Opinion Editor

Excitement and laughter punctuated the air as an almost packed house of girls and some unfortunate boys got ready to see the new chick flick “He’s Just Not That Into You” on opening weekend. The film was the top seller at the box office. The movie’s premise basically is wrapped around the concept that women are taught from an early age that when boys are mean to them, that means they like them. This notably affects the way that many girls deal with men, putting up with things they should not and often thinking that they are to blame for a break-up. Maybe it is this idea that made the movie so charming and enchanted those at the theater so much—all the things that women think about when dating: Why doesn’t he call? Should I call him?

The truth might be, as the movie shows, better than lying and blamin everything on the guy. The movie itself was packed with stars including Ginnifer Goodwin, Ben Affleck, Jennifer Aniston, Kevin Connolly, Drew Barrymore and Jennifer Connolly, which made for a dynamic and interesting plot. All the characters are linked together by friendship in an ironic twist with each "couple" teaching us a new way to look at a certain type of relationship.

The main character, Gigi, played by Goodwin, is a young woman just trying to find love but always managing to fall short. The audience could not help but feel for her as she struggled to find love in a seemingly unkind city. After a bad date, she manages to find the answers to all the questions that women ask, through a wise man who takes pity on her in a bar. Her new guardian angel slowly opens her eyes to the truth about dating and helps her change her life, perhaps for the better?

Beth, played by Jennifer Aniston, is a woman who has been dating and living with her boyfriend for seven years, but he refuses to get married. Will she push him away or live happily ever after?

Janine, played by Jennifer Connolly, has married her college sweetheart and is in the middle of remodeling a house. Are they ready to start nesting?

Anna, played by Scarlett Johansson, has to make a decision between the safe guy and the guy she really wants. Will she ultimately end up empty-handed?

Mary, played by Drew Barrymore, struggles with the new complications of dating when technology always gets in the way. Will she get away from the computer and see the men around her?

All of these women have to answer these questions for themselves and take the audience along for the ride, through disappointment and excitement, triumph and tragedy. They are just women trying to find and keep love in their lives.

The bottom line? Leave the boys at home, get the girls together and go out to see this movie.

I promise you will not be disappointed.
Baseball season just around the corner as pitchers and catchers report to camp

Don DeBlasio
Sports Editor

It’s so close you can almost feel it. The roar of the crowd, the shout of the umpire, and the smack of the ball as it drives off the bat. Yes, baseball season is right around the corner.

Following an almost 4-month layoff, all of our favorite teams and players will be reunited to once again start their search for the ever-elusive World Series trophy.

The first batch of players to report is pitchers and catchers who have been arriving at camp in the past few days. They are then followed by all position players next week, and in only two weeks’ time, we will get a sample taste of the action as spring training games begin.

Mostly based on their geography, teams participate in one of two spring training leagues: the Grapefruit League and the Cactus League. The Grapefruit League is in Florida and is host to the Braves, Orioles, Red Sox, Reds, Tigers, Marlins, Astros, Twins, Mets, Yankees, Phillies, Pirates, Cardinals, Rays, Blue Jays, and Nationals. The Cactus League is in Arizona where the Di-ammobucks, Cubs, White Sox, Reds, Indians, Rockies, Royals, Angels, Dodgers, Brewers, Athletics, Padres, Giants, Mariners, and Rangers get ready for their seasons.

The beauty of spring training, aside from the sunshine and palm trees, is the talent, both young and old, that steps foot on the diamond. Of course, at camp are the 25 men that make up the core of your current team, but there are many others. The future of the ball club is also in view. As pitchers and catchers report to camp in the next week, we will get a glimpse into the future. From the names that steps foot on the diamond, we will see who may not see many of the faces you would usually recognize on the field. This is because of the playing of the second ever World Baseball Classic that is taking place this March. Players such as David Ortiz, Dustin Pedroia, Alex Rodriguez, Derek Jeter, David Wright and Carlos Beltran, just to name a few, will be leaving their major league teams to play alongside their countrymen in a competition of baseball worldwide.

After the WBC, the players will return to camp and begin preparation for the long and arduous 162-game marathon that is the Major League Baseball season.

It is many times overlooked, but spring training is where it all begins. It is in camp under the early spring sun when season goals are formed, rotations and lineups are set, and champions are born.

So, break out your jerseys and foam fingers, after a long awaited winter it is finally time to once again say, Play Ball.

Women’s basketball snaps losing streak

Dan Mulki
Asst. Sports Editor

After having dropped four difficult games in a row, the Hawks knew the importance of this upcoming week where they would face two conference opponents. The women’s basketball team first traveled to Maine to take on TCCC rival, the University of New England Nor’easters.

The team prepared hard for its battle against New England, which has been one of the best teams in the conference all season.

The University of New England has had a wonderful season and was riding high on a nine-game winning streak. The Hawks got out to an early lead and seemed to be ready for the challenge that was ahead of them. The Nor’easters fought back and went on a devastating 16-0 run to take back the lead. The team would eventually enter the locker rooms at halftime with a nineteen point cushion. Those young guns may not seem important sporting uniform numbers in the 70’s and 80’s, but some of them will prove to be the face of the dynasty in years to come.

If the look into the future isn’t enough, fans also get a trip down memory lane. Hundreds of retired stars make the annual trip down to spring training to be around the team once more. Play-
Wrestling gets split decision in final regular season tournament

Dan Molkin
Asst. Sports Editor

The wrestling team was back on the mat this week, traveling to Providence for a three-team showdown. The team would first compete against the University of Southern Maine and then take on Rhode Island College, which was the host of the event. After competing in the difficult Metro Conference Challenge, the Hawks were determined to have success in their final regular season event.

In the first matchup against Southern Maine, the team was on a revenge mission after losing to them in the University in the New England Duals. The boys got out to a very early lead by winning the first five contests while stretching the score to 23-0. During the match Kyle Rodgers delivered an impressive pin at the 157 pound weight class, while wrestling at a very high level. After the match dropped off the 165-pound match up, Chris Nadeau stepped up and solidified the win for the Hawks with a 10-4 final score. The matchup ended in a landslide victory for the Hawks, with an ending score of 39-3.

Next up on the day for the Hawks, was the rivalry dual against the Rhode Island College Anchormen. The team knew they would have to compete at a high level after losing 7-34 in an earlier match this season. WCJ got to a nice 3-0 lead early on in the match and seemed up to the challenge. However, the Anchormen gained their composure and began to fight back against the Hawks as the match progressed. After winning his 141 pound clash against Southern Maine, Andrew Hawley competed next in a four overtime bout before dropping the match, 7-2. Kyle Rodgers won his second match of the day at the 157 pound class pushing his season to an impressive 14-6 record.

James Woods was also able to win both of his matches while contending at the 184 pound level. The same was true for Dan Woods, who also went 2-0 on the day at the 175 pound division.

It was a monumental and exciting afternoon for both of the Woods Brothers. Dan Woods recorded his 100th career RUW victory which currently puts him in fourth place all-time. James is now in a tie for ninth overall place while garnering his 83rd career win. With still a large part of the schedule remaining, both have a chance to further solidify themselves in the history of Hawks wrestling.

Dan Woods was also able to earn his first RUW male athlete of the week award.

“We would have loved to win both matches,” said Andy Jackson. “However we will continue to progress as a group and try to enter the playoffs on a winning streak.”

In the end, the team went 1-1 on the day while pushing their season to a final record of 14-8. The team will hit the road next while traveling to Worcester, Mass. to compete in yet another three team event. The Hawks will face WPI and Bryant University, where they look to end their regular season on a high note before competing in the New England Division III Championships in Springfield.

Red Sox coming back, new and improved

Tucker Silva
BASEBALL BITS

Spring is finally in the air. Well, at least for the MLB.

The Boston Red Sox 16-wheeler truck was packed with the players’ equipment last Friday and hit the road for Fort Myers, Fla. Its destination was City of Palms Park, where pitchers and catchers have just arrived to begin Spring Training.

The Red Sox off season may not look appealing on paper, but the additions made could be valuable for the 2009 season. Red Sox GM Theo Epstein had a recurring theme this off season by signing low-risk, high reward players. New additions made to the team could be valuable in the upcoming season.

The majority of the players signed this off season have been signed at low prices due to the question marks surrounding their health. Former Atlanta Brave pitcher and Cy Young Award winner John Smoltz, 41, is coming off of an injury plagued 2008 season. Most likely, he will not return to the status of an ace he once was. Yet, he does have the potential to be a very effective weapon, especially in the post-season.

Former LA Dodgers pitchers Brad Penny, 30, and Takashi Saito, 38, also suffered from injuries last year with the Dodgers. During the 2007 season, Penny started the All-Star Game and finished third for the Cy Young Award. With a consistent reliever and is a former All-Star, the Sox will be hoping to reap the benefits.

Offensive players signed, like 30-year-old catcher Bard also has a history dating back to 2006, Rhode-Island native Rocco Baldelli raised numerous questions regarding his health due to his case of mottochondral disorder.

The Sox have determined to re-examine this winter due to concerns regarding his condition. The 27-year-old's symptoms include muscle weakness and fatigue. However, his medical examinations came back encouraging as the results stated his disorder is minor and treatable.

Mark Kotsay recently had back surgery to replace a displaced disk fragment. It seems as if the outfielder first baseman will begin the season on the disabled list and may be out until May. The Brad Wilkerson signing last week now makes more sense as he will most likely temporarily fill in Kotsay's role on the bench.

Even though there are several injury related questions surrounding these players signed this off season, they may turn out to provide major value. Epstein’s strategy also furthered the depth of the team. If the low-risk, high reward players were to emerge successful, trade talks may start heating up. The Sox may be willing to part with a young asset, such as Clay Buchholz or Michael Bowden, to acquire a much needed impact bat or a young catcher.

Other tidbits...

It looks as if SP Ben Sheets will not even be signed this winter. The 30-year-old will undergo surgery on his shoulder. He may not be able to sign with a team until the summer due to his recovery process.

Even after being rejected twice by free-agent Manny Ramirez, the Dodgers are not willing to back away from negotiations. Owner Frank McCourt stated “Well hopefully we are going to sign him soon,” McCourt told MLB Network. "That is certainly our intention." The Dodgers have also been linked to free-agent second baseman Orlando Hudson.

The Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim and free-agent hitter Bobby Abreu have reached an agreement. The 34-year-old outfielder signed a one-year deal at $5 million plus incentives. Abreu, a consistent hitter, posted a .290 average while hitting 20 home runs.

For that price, that is a real bargain for the Angels.

No need to worry. No one has to see my dreadful picture displayed next to my article anymore. That was a painful sight, eh?

With the off season nearing its conclusion, let's take a look at what the Red Sox have done to improve the 2009 team.

Signed/Acquired
- RP Ramon Ramirez (trade with Kansas City Royals)
- RP Junichi Tazawa (three-year contract)
- C Josh Bard (one-year contract with 2010 club option)
- OF Rocco Baldelli (one-year contract)
- SP Brad Penny (one-year contract with 2010 club option)
- RP Takashi Saito (one-year contract with 2010 club option)
- RP Mark Kotsay (one-year contract)
- SP John Smoltz (one-year contract)
- C Jason Varitek (one-year contract with 2010 club and player option)

Departing
- OF Coco Crisp (traded to Kansas City Royals)
- 1B Sean Casey (retirement)
- C Kevin Cash (signed with New York Yankees)
- SP Bartolo Colon (signed with New York Mets)
- RP Mike Timlin (free agency)
- 2B Alex Cora (signed with New York Mets)
- SP David Aardsma (traded to Seattle Mariners)
- SP David Pauley (traded to Baltimore Orioles)
- SP Paul Byrd (free agency)
- C David Ross (signed with Atlanta Braves)