Alcohol violations on the rise

RWU ranks below drinking trends at other local colleges

Ben Whitmore
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At Roger Williams University, the number of liquor law violations are on the rise. According to crime statistics provided to Clery Crime Reports by the school, RWU had 405 reported liquor law violations that incurred disciplinary action in 2006. In 2005, the number was 421. By 2007, the number had risen to 531.

Compared to schools similar in location, programs offered, and those that compete in its athletic division conference, RWU has lower alcohol violations.

The following statistics represent the number of recorded liquor law violations per 100 students for the year 2007, according to each school's Clery crime reports.

In 2007, RWU had 14 violations of liquor laws per 100 students, Curry College had 19.5 violations per 100 students. Endicott College had a little more than 19 violations per 100 students, while Colby Sawyer College had 18.8 violations per 100 students. However, despite the school's relation to other colleges regarding liquor law violations, RWU's alcohol violations are on the rise.

‘Not the only one’
Women's Center produces new play to empower and celebrate women

Courtney Nugent
Managing Editor

Every year, students support a number of worthy causes: they donate money, raise awareness and put their time and effort into an issue they feel passionately about.

This year, the Women's Center is again putting its efforts toward educating the campus about women's issues, only now it is a little different. "A Memory, a Monologue, a Rant, and a Prayer," edited by Eve Ensler, "is a collection of different people's stories," senior cast member Amanda Buckley said. "Some are memories, some monologues, some rants and some prayers. It is pretty amazing."

"It tells stories that are just like experiences that I have had and I am sure many people have had," Buckley said. "It almost makes you feel better about yourself that you are not the only one out there who has had a sad or embarrassing moment." With two student directors, seniors Casey Barber and Dee DeQuatro, the production is entirely student-run.

“We chose not to hire a director,” senior Kari Pohl said. “Each of the students in the play is in charge of their own piece. Dee and Casey have been working diligently working to set the date, or dining ware. The middle income group got into line and was able to take one cheese and bread sandwich. All their dietary needs were not addressed.

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ALCOHOL: Drinking culture questioned

Some designated low income students conferred at the high-income group's table, with their napkins merely half full of rice, attempting to make the students feel uncomfortable about their over-abundance of food. Some high-income students chose instead to donate some of their food to the low-income group.

The hobbling illustrated the realistic situation when people are concerned about hunger and poverty that they feel uncomfortable enough to throw money or food at the situation. In the end, though, it only helps the immediate issue.

The program stressed the need to do something about the larger issue and not just money for programs and education to prevent future days and years of starvation.

Senior Ashley Camera brought the program, an Orfam America-designed event, back from a community-service conference she attended in fulfillment of her America's Corps for service. Orfam America works to end poverty, hunger and social injustice throughout the world.

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According to the keynote speaker, Bernard Boudreau, who worked in the field of hunger since 1984, noted that 47,000 children in Rhode Island live in poverty.

"We just learn how to go past it," Boudreau said. "Maybe hunger is not enough on our self-interest, but our friends are not dying from hunger.

Student Volunteer Association and the ONE campaign cosponsored the event and instead discuss and confront the issue of hunger and poverty.

Boudreau remarked that hunger is not about a lack of resources. The world grows and produces enough food for everyone to be sustained and well-fed.

"We can't be moral people and continue to live on this earth when so many are dying from hunger," Boudreau said. "If you are working, and making eight or nine dollars a year, that is not just.

According to the presentation, child hunger is not getting better but rather, is worsening. In 2007, the number of children who went hungry doubled from 2006 to about 700,000 children.

"I really wanted this event to be a call to action for students," Camera said. "We also were able to raise $500 for Orfam America which was great.

For ways to get involved in fighting hunger and poverty, contact the Peace and Social Service Center.

My name is Ismatullah. I am sixteenth years old and work as a shopkeeper in the village of Qadis in Afghanistan... Of the 400 shops that used to be open in the town, only 20 are still in business. It is hard to see how I'm going to sell the packs of pasta and bars of Indian soup.

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(Above) Students from the low-income group sit on the floor and eat small portions of rice while (Top Left) students are served full, prepared meals on a table in the high-income class.

HUNGER: Students learn lesson outside classroom
Club helps students realize full potential

Puzzled about UR direction? While this is an appropriate question for RWU seniors looking for a career path in the economically uncertain United States, come May 23, members of the Bateman Team are asking high school students the same question and preparing them for their high school.

Sponsored by PRSSA, five hand-picked RWU students, Kristina DeTulio, Eric Scranton, Kristie Schmitt, Joanna Hoing and Ashley Centrella, have worked to develop a new education initiative for public high schools in Rhode Island. Students serving on the Bateman Team said that the goal of the initiative is to increase college attendance among high school students.

The five team members have spent time in high schools and community centers in Rhode Island throughout the month of February. During these meetings, the members were able to play a movie they created, conduct an assembly to discuss college interests more fully and provide one-on-one interaction with the students about their academic and athletic interests.

The Bateman competition includes 90 schools. Each school is given a specific client (this year's client is the Consumer Bank) and then asked to conduct an assembly to discuss college attendance.

The Bateman Team found that parental influence is often important but overlooked factor in student's college interests.

They also found that the best way to connect with high school students is to speak with them one-on-one.

The Bateman Team also comes up with ways in which high school students can afford college, especially with the uncertain economy. Among the suggestions are scholarships, loans, work study and financial aid.

Scranton, a graphic design major who worked on all the publications for the team, said the real-life experience will serve her well post-graduation.

"This is the first time I have completed design work without a teacher mediating," Scranton said. "I know that once I graduate, I will be able to work on my own and won't need someone guiding me every step of the way."

Overall, the Bateman Team wants to provide high school students with the opportunity to become more educated about their college choices.

"We are hoping that the students take us seriously. We are relatable," Centrella said. "Hopefully, we can change some of their minds and maybe one student will look into attending college a little bit more than they would before."

The final judging of the competition will take place May 14 and May 15 in Washington, D.C. Last year, RWU's Bateman Team received an honorable mention.

For more information about the Bateman Team, visit their Web site at urdirection.com.

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"College is the best four years of your life." It is something that every college student has heard at one time or another. From a recent graduate or maybe even, a parent. And in some cases, it is mostly true, that is true. Every night has the potential to be a party, every week is spent with close friends. While there is work to do, paper deadlines, and challenging tests, life is fun and easy.

Some people question whether college is ready to make the plunge into the cold reality of the "real world." These cynics wonder if students are ever really prepared to face these challenges because of the various things that are seen happening on college campuses. However, how often in the real world are you likely to come across a free beer? In the real world, living away from the college campus, the only free beer you are likely to come across is the one you have to pay for. And even then, it would be on a Tuesday.

In the real world, there are hate crimes occurring on college campuses. As an example, a "nuisance" prank is committed at another campus. The administration, in this case, thought it was funny. But to the people who were the targets of this prank, it was anything but funny. They might have thought of it as an offensive biased word. They might have thought, "This is just a prank, not funny, but also not harmful." However, how often in the real world are you likely to come across a free beer? In the real world, living away from the college campus, the only free beer you are likely to come across is the one you have to pay for. And even then, it would be on a Tuesday.

In the real world, there is help available if needed. The RA's have it the worst. They are restricted to living in the dorms. But wait ... If alcohol was banned from campus, which would want to live on campus? The school would lose revenue from the residence halls and we would all lose our close-knit campus community.

So how can students be the target of hate and bias? As featured on page 1 this week, an hate crime occurred on campus this week. In a letter to the campus community, the Dean of Student Affairs, informed us of an incident in which a "nuisance" prank was committed on campus. The prank was inscribed on a student's forehead and the words "Campus drinking problem" was written. What's happening? As featured on page 1 this week, an hate crime occurred on campus this week. In a letter to the campus community, the Dean of Student Affairs, informed us of an incident in which a "nuisance" prank was committed on campus. The prank was inscribed on a student's forehead and the words "Campus drinking problem" was written. What's happening?

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Commentary

Smaller plates mean smaller portions

Theodore Applebaum
Web Editor

Here’s a joke: What’s the difference between a quarter of a ton of food and a baby elephant? Answer: One is watered at our school. Funny, right? No,That’s not a joke.

According to Ben Appetit, the company that manages RWU’s dining hall, students carelessly toss out 500 pounds of food a day. In an effort to reduce that amount, dining halls are reducing the size of students’ plates this last week in the hopes students would learn to throw away less food. Don’t get me wrong — their intentions are good, but requiring students to eat off plates on a series of yellow trays in front of a disapproving group of dining staff is not the best way to deal with the problem. In a couple of weeks, the ‘the campaign’ will be over and more than likely students will return to their old habits, piling their plates sky high with spaghetti and meatballs. A trend that’s not only bad for them but bad for the environment.

Over the years, thousands of hours of human existence have been wasted. The vast majority of law students, including many professors and justices, in some way or another have been involved in winning or losers. The Jim Kelly will never be the Joe Paterno of football. Interestingly, the only true football greats, such as the Cowboys, Celtics, and perhaps the underdogs will never be the law students.

In a vacuum or an absolute one of an "everyone gets a trophy," pat me on the shoulders and good about yourself but rather you won or you lost. This thought has existed in the real world for some time now. The end result is that the ambition and motivation for success which the author commented on (soccer, basketball) in college is a very different one. The intense play and un-sportsmanlike conduct often seen in college sports is a forum where you should expect to be beaten up on the playing field, not in life. Anyone who has seen one of the Clippers or Clippers and perhaps the undergrads will play a game where each side isn’t interested in winning. That’s not what makes the games fun. I assure you no law student would want to play a game where each side doesn’t want to win. Isn’t that what makes the games fun? A proper distinction: between intense play and un-sportsmanlike conduct.

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As a former college soccer player, I can tell you that that competitive nature is not a mere switch to be turned on and off, even though one’s college performance has also passed. Being said, there is definitely a line between intense play and un-sportsmanlike conduct. To become the best, one must be beaten by the best. Proper distinction: between intense play and un-sportsmanlike conduct.

While in law school we may not have pottery sportsmanlike conduct, and overly constrictive classes, creative writing courses, or interpretively a good student of his or her sport. The dirty parts of the game are balanced by the joy for those of you reading this who don’t think about everyone else right away, maybe you should take the initiative to properly handle things and remember the binding documents that you signed.

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WEB WORDS

The following reader comments were posted on hawksherald.com. Log on for more.

When you entered the University you signed a honor code statement and is not within if and thereby accepting the possibility of fines if you break it. Fine up to $100 per violation. You have an additional requirement of a personal observance of these games, I have seen fans foul rampant and uncalled—and when they are called, the penalty is usually not the same as what a compromise could have been. If a fan were to use a laissez-faire approach to officiating that has resulted in unruly and rowdy games, the court should be allowed to carry guns on campus.

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Poll results

In our Feb. 13 poll question, we asked you if Public Safety officers should be allowed to carry guns on the job. The overwhelming response was "no." Of the people who took the poll, 50% of officers should not carry guns.

13 people said they thought officers should be allowed to carry guns.

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Readers weigh in on 'Memo to law school athletes: Chill Out'

Response to Memo to Law School Athletes

I’d like to briefly respond to the author who apparently believes that law students who participate in intramural athletics play too hard. As a lifetime athlete that is always an interesting criticism to hear, since so much of what an athlete learns can translate to real life, but I will try to be as academic as I can be.

In a brief note of perspective, I’m a 3rd year law student and I must say that I have no interest in intramural athletics. I don’t play soccer, basketball, or flag football. First, a note to those who may have forgotten or are unaware. Law students have in fact graduated from college. Therefore many law students, including many of the authors of this letter are former collegiate athletes, from Division I, II, and III schools, who are accustomed to playing at both a higher level and one that is professional and physically. Therefore intense play, for many, has nothing to do with frus-

Arthur Petrakoulis, Law School
Concert wraps up Black History Month

Laura Kelly
Herald Staff

A concert Saturday night sponsored by several campus organizations will mark the end of Black History Month, which students celebrated at a variety of events.

Roots Down Below, a concert of “peace, love, respect and equality” takes place in the Field House at 8:30.

Eighty-two years ago, Dr. Carter G. Woodson designated the second week of February Negro History Week. Later, February became Black History Month and today, communities throughout the country and at the university spend the month recognizing African American accomplishments.

In the 1920s, Woodson, a historian and educator, noticed African Americans were excluded from or shunted in history books and decided to begin a tradition. He first chose the second week of February for celebration because it holds the birthdays of two influential men in the black community: abolitionists Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass.

February is also the month in which it became legal for blacks to vote in the U.S. Some well-known, and not-as-well-known, honorable African Americans include Jackie Robinson, the first African American to play on a major league team; James Farmer, the founder of the Congress of Racial Equality which helped end discrimination; Jesse Jackson, the founder of People United to Save Humanity to encourage black voting and most recently, President Barack Obama, the first African American president.

This February, the Multicultural Student Union hosted several events to increase the knowledge of black history. A “soul food” dinner and showings of “The Color Purple” and “The Great Debaters” were among the highlights.

“T am sure they [RWU students] know Martin Luther King, Malcolm X, Rosa Parks, but I don’t think they know enough,” Jerrel Burgo, MSU president, said.

“A lot of people just assume black history is slavery and that’s about it, but there’s a lot more to it and I think it’s important for people to understand that,” he said.

The purpose of MSU is to “promote global awareness and cultural diversity on campus” and this month, 10 events were held in honor of black history month. From movie nights to banquets, Burgo said his main goal was to affect at least one person.

“We definitely have been working really hard all year for Black History Month,” he said earlier this month. “Come to our events, learn something new, step outside your comfort zone, and I’m sure that you’ll walk out more educated than you did when you walked in.”

MSU meetings are Tuesdays at 5:30 in the Intercultural Center, Burgo said.
It is probably not a stretch to say that most RWU students are oblivious to the fact that Feb. 22 through Feb. 28 is recognized across the country as National Eating Disorder Awareness Week, according to the National Eating Disorder Association (NEDA). Throughout this week, many colleges across the country will spend time hosting a variety of speakers, workshops to raise campus awareness and support the eating disorder cause.

But what about at RWU? Just how aware are students of the reality of eating disorders, and is it really an issue on campus?

According to James Azar, the Director of the Center for Counseling and Student Development, this reality of eating disorders on campus has not hit very far from home. He believes anywhere from five to 10 percent of students at RWU suffer from an eating disorder.

“I view it clearly as a significant problem,” Azar said. “I’ve been here since 1990, and for the past 18, 19 years, it has been a steady problem... however, usually folks don’t come forward if they’re having a problem with an eating disorder - it’s pretty secretive. They tend to be forced into treatment. So, the numbers of what we see don’t match exactly what’s going on out there.”

According to the National Eating Disorder Organization’s website, 81 percent of women recently surveyed on a college campus had attempted to control their weight through dieting and 22 percent dieted “often” or “always.” The University of Maryland’s Health Center further expands, saying that three out of four college women struggle with some type of disordered eating behavior or thought problems.

Perhaps most startling of all is the fact that 4.5 percent of female college students and even 1.4 percent of male college students are actual victims of full-blown eating disorders, as stated by the American College Health Association.

“I think that it’s obviously a cultural problem nationally,” Azar said. “But is there something about RWU that can make it a little worse than usual? I would say yes. There’s a lot of pressure here about how you look. I think women are particularly hard on each other here. I think they’re hard on each other nationally, but at RWU there’s definitely some pressure about body image and everything that gets associated with it.”

And certain incidents, occurring at the close of the fall semester, only prove that there absolutely is something going on out there.

Pro-ana/oriaxia and pro-bulimia groups, created by RWU students, have even surfaced on the now-defunct controversial website, Juicy-Campus.com. These groups have received over 1,056 hits combined, with post topics ranging from anorexia and bulimia tips, to planning to synchronize an “anorexic fast,” and post individual “progress” on the site. One person even posted “10 Commandments of Anorexia,” which includes statements such as “Being thin and not eating are signs of true will power and success.”

Regarding the number of posts about eating disorders and views on the site, Azar said, “I am surprised with the volume. That’s my biggest shock with the whole thing.”

Cora Tetreault, a junior RA, and a recovered eating disorder victim, was also troubled by the site.

“I looked at it and saw an-a-mia, which is the pet name for anorexia and bulimia when they don’t want people to know it. But I know what it was immediately. There were so many posts on it, so it’s obvious that people are suffering and those who are involved in the disease are looking for the outlets to speak to other people who understand what they’re going through,” Tetreault said. “And Juicy-Campus.com, although it definitely isn’t the most positive way of doing it, that alone makes it clear that there are students who are looking for support and for some kind of support group and who are looking to speak openly about it without judgment.”

Tetreault also says that as an RA, she sees the unfortunate problem with eating disorders quite often.

“Just this year, I’ve had five referrals,” Tetreault said. “And they aren’t just from my residents; they are referrals from completely unrelated people.”

The fact that the media constantly bombards society with messages about attractiveness, dieting, and weight, prompting America to spend over $46 billion a year on the diet industry, according to the Bunchus and Gamma Peer Education Network, only exacerbates the problem. For this reason, many colleges are cracking down on the negative messages society sends its students, by creating a variety of support groups and providing education about eating disorders.

For instance, according to each of the following university’s Health Center websites, Bryn Mawr College has a Body Image Council, which is open to everyone, and hosts a variety of events promoting positive body image and even brings in speakers who have recovered from eating disorders to address the students.

The University of Vermont’s “HOPE” Program (Help Overcome Problem Eating) was recognized as one of four top college eating disorder programs. Dartmouth College offers groups such as the EDA (Eating Disorder Peer Advisors) and SAFE (Students Against the Abuse of Food and Exercise). Pennsylvania State University hosts a conference known as Eating Disorders on Campus: The Institutional Response, to educate health professionals, Brown University coordinates with doctors from Rhode Island Hospital and Hasbro Children’s Hospital for treatment and support programs, and the University of Maryland has and Eating Disorder Peer Program directed at helping newly diagnosed sufferers.

RWU does offer an extremely comprehensive eating disorder treatment program, closely following the programs at Brown University, Dartmouth College, and Northern Illinois University.

According to Brenda Bishop, an RWU Nurse Practitioner who treats eating disorder patients here, the university continually updates its eating disorder manual and has a specific and highly strict medical protocol, offers nutrition assistance, and even optional counseling.

“I think the responsibility on the school’s part is to monitor and to make sure that the student is safe,” Bishop said. “And that’s the bottom line. And if they’re not safe, we are as a university, knowing about a problem and the student is not safe. We just want to serve to make sure the patient is safe medically and also in that respect to the university, so that the student isn’t at risk for the university and the student themselves. It’s always about the student’s best interest.”

But the question is, however, whether RWU is providing enough care for students on all levels, specifically for support groups.

“There’s not enough,” Azar said. “I think that one shift, and its an unfortunate shift, is that health educators used to do a lot of work around body image and wellness and because of the alcohol problem on campus, much of their focus has changed dramatically over the last three or four years.”

Donna Dormody, Director of Health Education & Alcohol/Drug Prevention Coordinator agrees.

“More can always be done... more should be done,” Dormody said. “It’s
WORI birthday bash a success

Dave Horowitz
Herald Staff

It was just hours before Louis Lortie would headline WORI’s Hip Hop Birthday Bash and there was a problem, the one formal program was declared a love for covering girls in his "nutt," was unable to find a replacement, that didn’t include male parts. The crisis was quickly averted, however, when Logic came up on stage as a substitute for the group.

"It’s all good, I’ve been taking care of myself," said Logic, 34, a veteran of the underground hip hop circuit and long time favorite of Josef Ayala, who organized the event. "I met with Q Concert Coordinator Kelly Ahern.

The one formal program was quickly underway as Logic was announced as the next performer. The crowd, which had been dwindling due to the inclement weather, began to gather around Logic as he took the stage and opened with his set.

With the high energy of the Bard Rock Live, a self-proclaimed "crazy swing singer" band under the direction of singer Dan Bocky, the young comedian group was able to provide the necessary energy to launch the event.

Not only did the band sound tight throughout their set, but the webpage was a testament to the hard work of Salim Akram and range of singer Dan Bocky. The crowd, which was comprised of people of all ages, was ready to be a part of the event.

One song in particular, "Get Here" by The Dave Matthews Band, Johnny B., and Him, proved to be a hit. The talent of their singer, who spent 10 p.m. on a Friday night.

After Logic finished up a freestyle, Joe Panda, the emcee for the night, took the mic and spat out a rap he’d written to close out the show. "Freak Show," in Logic’s performance was a highly charged up set, and whether or not he would rap during the show. "Step into the ring and let’s get this party started," said Joe.

With his last record being a fluke, "Pet Sounds," M. Ward’s "Post Pavillion" could be considered a success in terms of critical and commercial success. Instead of "Ringleader of the Territorial" attacks another album, it’s an introspective album. Instead of "Ringleader of the Territorial," it’s an album that makes you think.

Where his last record was too serious, this album quickly sets the tone on the opening track, "I don’t want you dead, you know he’s doing so with a smile on his face. And to those of us on the outside looking in, logic had the final word as he closed out the show with "Get up here Joe," Logic said as he put on a hat.

"I think we’re in a position to be a part of the conversation," said Logic as he walked off stage. "I’m just here to be a part of the conversation."
BIAS RESPONSE: Students, staff are ‘outraged’

McGarthy agreed. “The play acknowledges that there are issues women face, but these runs could very well be someone in our lives. And even if these are the issues of women, everyone should have a hand in solving and dealing with them.”

Those cast members who have experienced the V-Day play’s dynamic without men are also excited for the addition to the cast.

“It’s no longer just about connecting with females,” Buckley said. “Now makes me understand and connect with the show, too.”

“At Memory, a Monologue, a Rant, and a Prayer” will take place Saturday, March 7 at 8:30 p.m.

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Hatchery encounters setbacks

Nick Westbrook
Herald Staff

The addition to the Marine and Natural Science Buildings has fallen behind schedule due to unexpected setbacks.

"The schedule has been altered in order to accommodate the removal of an extraordinary amount of ledge while shoring the existing building to prevent movement due to its design and geotechnical factors," said Joe Pangborn, Vice President and Chief Information Officer at Roger Williams University. According to Pangborn, this is a minor setback that will have no serious effect on the university's capital projects. "If the MNS addition was not delayed due to operation of the wet lab and provide additional space to faculty and student research projects that require running sea water," - Timothy Scott said.

"Once the hatchery moves into the new facility, we can streamline the operation of the wet lab and provide additional space to faculty and student research projects that require running sea water."

Senate "Did You Know?" of the Week

Senator Adam Oram is a first-generation American.

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Baseball Bits: Offseason Winners

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Everyone knows the Red Sox were last- ing after top free agent 1B Mark Teixeira. Having lost out to the New York Yankees, they were wise in standing their ground at an eight-year $168 million contract offer to the 28-year-old slugger. However, they did improve their team with low-risk, high reward signings in SP Brad Penny (reported to be in the best shape of his career), SP John Smoltz, RP Takahsi Sato, and OF Coco Crisp. One need that wasn't addressed was adding an impact bat to the lineup. This will be the first full season without Many Ramirez batting behind David Ortiz. Can the Sox still be a dangerous offensive without Ramirez? If JD Drew is not healthy this season (there are reports he already has a slight back injury), look for the Sox to deal for a big bat (Matt Holliday? Lance Berkman?).

Keep in mind, the Sox locked MVP Dustin Pederson to a six-year $40.5 million contract and 1B Kevin Youkilis to a four-year $41 million contract. Both of those contracts are major discounts considering the value they provide.

With the free agent signings and the de-

velopment of young talent, the Red Sox have developed the deepest rotation in baseball. Will that be enough to get them past the Rays and the Yankees? Oakland Athletics

The Athletics off season has been un- derated. The biggest move the team made was acquiring OF Matt Holliday from the Colorado Rockies. Some critics state Holliday will struggle away from hitter-friendly Coors Field in Colorado. I must disagree. Holliday batted .308 on the road during the 2008 season with the Rockies. The 28-year-old is a pure hitter for both contact and power. He will succeed with the Athletics. Even if the Athletics do not produce a successful record, the team has the option to deal Holliday to another team because Holiday is in the last year of his contract. If is dealt, the Athletics will receive serious young prospects in return. In either situation, it is a win-win for the Athletics. Turn to the back page in next week's Hawk's Herald for my "losers" edition of the off-season.

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Asst. Sports Editor

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The next steps in fixing a steroid-tainted game

Jason Cady
Herald Staff

Since the late 1990s, the incidence of anabolic steroid use has increased dramatically through Major League Baseball, and is now worse than ever. On February 7, Bob Costas, a CNN sportscaster, featured a story claiming that New York Yankee slugger Alex Rodriguez, the youngest player to hit 500 Home Runs used an illegal substance from 2001-2003, while he was with the Texas Rangers. Rodriguez sat down with ESPN's Peter Gammons to talk about the report. Rodriguez stated that he had felt an "enormous amount of pressure," and had been using the drug while taking steroids. However, Alex claimed that he was not sure of exactly what he was using, and that he still had not seen the test results. A week later on February 17th, Alex stated that he had acquired the steroids from his cousin, which he got over the counter while in the Dominican Republic, three days after its release. In this chapter of his life, Alex Rodriguez is one of the many players who have admitted to using performance enhancing drugs. Sox designated hitter, David Ortiz, has been looking into the possibility of possibly strip Rodriguez of hundreds of Hits, RBIs, and Home Runs. Ortiz is the spacecraft of the past seasons. However, the team hosted a three day tournament last Tuesday. Everything was aligned for the event to begin and all of the teams were ready to compete. The squad got off to a nice start while competing in the novice flat division. Olivia Cornell led off the afternoon by bringing home an early win. Alex Rodriguez also registered wins for their team while competing at a pristine level.

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