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Roger Williams University
Donor, Trustee Spiegel dies at 92

AMANDA NEWMAN | Managing Editor

Roger Williams University Board of Trustees member and benefactor Marc Spiegel died last Thursday of natural causes at his home in Italy.

Spiegel was actively involved with international affairs. In 1968, he spearheaded the first cable television systems in Europe. Spiegel led a long career of nearly five decades as an executive of the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA). He also served as the president of Academic Center Abroad, LLC, a nonprofit organization working with colleges and universities worldwide to develop study-abroad programs.

In 2003, his passion inspired him and his wife Peggy to donate a gift to Roger Williams University to establish the Peggy and Marc Spiegel Center for Global and International Programs which, according to the university website, is "dedicated to realizing Roger Williams University’s vision of ‘Learning to Bridge the World.’ Through a variety of programs and initiatives, the Spiegel Center builds the international knowledge and skills of students, faculty, and staff, and forges ties between the university and the world.”

Spiegel went on to join the RWU Board of Trustees in 2007, a position which he maintained active in, serving on the recent Presidential Search Committee to elect the tenth president of RWU.

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Law school gets new rank, remains bottom tier

BEN WHITMORE | Editor-in-Chief

Though in the most recent U.S. News and World Report’s rankings the Roger Williams University School of Law jumped from a tier four to a tier two institution, the law school still remains in the bottom 25 percent of law schools nationally.

In the past, U.S. News and World Report ranked law schools in four tiers, with the top schools occupying tier one, while the lowest-ranked universities were placed in the fourth tier. From its inception in 1993 until this year, the RWU School of Law has been a tier four institution.

This year, the nationally respected ranking organization changed its method of ranking law schools. Now, law schools are rated like their undergraduate counterparts by a numerical rank. The bottom 25 percent of law schools in the country, however, are not numerically ranked, instead, they are listed alphabetically in a separate category—the renamed tier four.

Some of the tier two schools are young schools or less established institutions that haven’t had a chance to build a reputation among law school academics or the legal community,” said Bob Morse, Director of Data Research for U.S. News and World Report.

“Just because you’re in the tier two, or the lower 25 percent doesn’t mean that the institution is destined to be there,” Morse said that tier two schools tend to be less selective and have fewer types of jobs available to its graduates compared with ranked law school.

U.S. News and World Report determined whether a law school is ranked or is a tier two institution based on a number of factors, including admissions data, career data, the rate of bar exam passage, and financial data. Morse said.

The RWU School of Law expects to be ranked a tier two institution, given its young age compared to other law schools, said Michael Bowden, Director of Communications for the RWU School of Law.

And the school is, for now, content with remaining a tier two institution.

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Justice was served

RWU students reflect on bin Laden’s death

BEN WHITMORE | Editor-in-Chief

Osama bin Laden, leader of al-Qaeda and mastermind of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, was killed in Pakistan on Monday, ending a decade-long manhunt for the man known as the global face of terrorism.

U.S. Navy SEALs killed Bin Laden in a nighttime helicopter raid at a compound in Abbottab, Pakistan, a city about 35 miles north of Pakistan’s capital, Islamabad. The compound had been under U.S. surveillance for several months. At the time of the raid, U.S. intelligence was confident that the resident of the compound was a ‘high-value terrorist target.” The Pentagon was not certain, however, that this resident was bin Laden.

The U.S. troops cleared the compound, killing some of bin Laden’s associates, handcuffing others with zip ties. A lone SEAL reportedly killed the unarmed bin Laden, shooting him once in the head and once in the chest. The SEALs were not on a strictly kill mission.

The news of bin Laden’s death Sunday night drew reactions of spontaneous celebration outside of the White House and at Ground Zero in New York City.

At Roger Williams University, American flags were hung out of windows in the Bayside Apartments and off of balconies in the Almeida Apartments. Scores of students posted Facebook status updates about the news, comprised mostly of celebratory statements and patriotic sentiments.

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ships with judges, the attorney general, and the public defender. As the only law school in the state, we really have the bar's undivided attention," Bowden said.

Among other attributes, the RWU School of Law's offering selling points to potential students include its strong faculty, marine law program, and the public interest law program, Bowden said.

"We tend to get law students who want to make a difference. Public service is generally not for people who are going to go out and make the big bucks at a law firm. They tend to be people who are out there with a cause of some sort," Bowden said.

Bowden said that the majority of students that attend the RWU School of Law are concerned mainly with getting results from their degree: passing the bar exam and becoming a practicing lawyer.

"I don't think anyone is standing up saying a Roger Williams law education is for all practical purposes the same as a Harvard law education. It's not. But we can say that if what you're looking for is outcomes, Harvard has a 100 percent bar exam pass rate and we have a 93 percent pass rate. It's pretty good. It's not embarrassing," Bowden said.

For now, the RWU School of Law is less concerned with U.S. News and World Report's measure of the institution and is more interested in measuring how well the school can satisfy the needs of its students, Bowden said.

"That's the kind of measure [we want] where we can look and say what does the tier matter when you can get the job you want?"

Pell Grant availability expected to decline

CLARA MOSES/World Report

Funding for Pell Grants, financial aid that goes to college students showing great financial need, will most likely cut all across the nation before the 2012 fall semester.

The details are still being worked out, but those who receive the current possible maximum amount of $5,500 could see it drop to an 820 that would take place for the grants bringing July 1, 2012.

"We've talked to a member of the congregate delegation and he is not optimistic at all," said Lynn Fusco, Senior Vice President of Enrollment Management and Communications.

According to the HUFFINGTON POST, "The Pell Grant program is the country's cornerstone financial aid program, providing scholarship aid to 9.4 million low and moderate-income students a year.

A cut on such an important program could create drastic changes - even Roger Williams University will be affected. "The Pell Grant program is intended for basically borderline or poverty families," said Fusco.

While it is not typical to find a large amount of such families at a private university such as RWU, there are still some.

In the fall of 2008, 11.7 percent of students enrolled at RWU received Pell Grants. This number increased 31 percent by 2010. That fall, 16.1 percent received Pell Grants. This is not surprising considering the state of the economy in general.

The university realizes the issues this may raise for their students and is concerned, Fusco said.

"In the past we have always tried to make up for a reduction," Fusco said. "To the extent that it's financially possible, we will try to make up the difference.

"If you've been used to getting $30,000 a year, and then they only give you $10,000, that's a $20,000 difference." Fusco said.

Yet, for some RWU students, the news of Bin Laden's death held personal significance.

"I'm very happy Obama is dead. I've been waiting for this day for almost ten years," said Matthew Mackey, a senior.

Mackey's mother was a passenger on American Airlines Flight 11 and passed away on Sept. 11, 2001.

"I will never ever get 100 percent from that day, but his death definitely will help. I don't think it will ever come close to justice to what he did to our nation, but it is some sort of justice for me."

Meaghan Coombs, a junior, found out about bin Laden's death from a notification at the bottom of her TV screen while she was watching a show at home with her boyfriend. "Our jaws dropped, and we looked at each other and were like, 'Oh my God!'" Coombs said. "It was such a mix of emotions. I was happy, relieved, sad, angry, all at the same time."

Coombs's father, Jeffrey, was a passenger on one of the flights to Los Angeles that were hijacked on Sept. 11, 2001. Since his passing, Coombs and her family have created the Jeffrey Coombs Foundation, a community assistance organization for Coombs's hometown of Abington, Mass., and the surrounding area. Since its inception in November 2001, the foundation has raised over $350,000 from road races, auctions, charity sales, and concerts, which Coombs personally organizes.

Before his death was announced on television, Coombs said she did not think much about bin Laden.

"At first when it was in the news so frequently, I thought about it. And when 9/11 first happened, I would always think all these angry thoughts of how I hope he suffers ... but kind of being so busy and not having time to pay attention to the news as much, I hadn't really thought about it as much," Coombs said.

"I'm glad justice was served. I'm glad that he didn't live his life getting away with this awful crime, but it doesn't change anything for me. My father was still killed, and thousands of other people were still killed, and families grew up with someone not there. I'm relieved that it happened and I'm happy that they found him, but it doesn't change anything for me."
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the current budget and the budget before, we have taken out about nine million dollars. RWU's operating budget is the sum total of the university's expenses. Because RWU covers the majority of its costs through tuition revenue, keeping its costs low is the chief means of being able to keep increases to tuition low.

"The economy is starting to recover, but it has been a very tough couple of years. We certainly recognize that this has impacted students, families, and their ability to pay for higher education," Williams said. "So a couple years ago we said to ourselves how can we reduce costs without impacting the educational impact or the student aspect.

In order to reduce costs, Williams led an effort to bid out its utilities and health care providers to the least expensive companies.

"What we are trying to do is reduce our costs without having to do some of the other things that other colleges and universities did," Williams said. "Some of the other colleges and universities went through layoffs, went through programs that have been discontinued, and we are not had to do that because we had a concerted effort to using good business practice to reduce our cost."

Though the administration strives to budget wisely, it still must cope with the negative effects of an ailng national economy.

"Oil has gone up, so our heating costs have increased dramatically, and that's even taking into account Senior Vice President Williams' [bidding out of the heating contract]..." said Lynn Fawthrop, Senior Vice President of Enrollment Management and Communications.

"Healthcare costs have gone up, the cost of electricity has gone up, food costs alone are something you can't control. And again, it's all because of the oil prices."

"It's those quasi-fixed costs, or costs that continue to rise, that are really driving the need for an increase in tuition," Fawthrop said. "And that was intentional, given that the university really wanted to ensure students would be able to continue to financially afford to be here. We put a lot of the money into the currently enrolled population and then we put some of the money into the entering class. But we were very purposeful in terms of ensuring that we were just as intentional in terms of the aid packages with the remaining population as we were with the entering class."

Because RWU's aid resources are finite, the university looks to students to seek as much federal and third-party funding as possible.

"We do have a philosophy that the first dollar in the aid package is the student loan because we feel students need to take on the initial responsibility, and therefore, we require students to take the maximum federal direct loan," Fawthrop said. "And then we fill in need from there, with institutional aid and being the principal fund in addition to work study."

According to the university website, 85 percent of students receive some form of financial aid from the university. This percentage has been going up in recent years, Fawthrop said.

"I'm one, along with [Williams], who spent a lot of time looking at benchmarks and trying to minimize the increase in tuition and fees, and overall costs for that matter, along with student affairs, so that we can continue to make Roger Williams University an affordable option," Fawthrop said.

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Annual Percent Increase of Tuition, Fees, Room, and Board for Undergraduate, Non-Architecture Students

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THIS JUST IN

News Briefs

Sources give new details on bin Laden's death; photo won't be released

Seconds after a Navy SEAL team entered a room in his Pakistan compound, Osama bin Laden was dead from rapid-fire shots to his chest and forehead, according to a U.S. official who has seen military reports of the raid.

President Barack Obama, not wanting to inflame passions or appear to gloat, decided not to release a photo of bin Laden's corpse, the White House said Wednesday.

-New York Times

New Intel tech will create smaller, faster microchips

When Intel's drive to shrink its processors while maintaining speed began to hit a brick wall, its silicon-chip wizards rethinked conventional design widdoms.

The result of a decade of research is a processor called by Bridge, which will be smaller, faster and -- perhaps most important in this mobile world -- more energy-efficient.

-Times

Turkish Prime Minister Erdogan safe after convoy attacked

Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan said Wednesday one policeman was killed and another injured when his convoy was attacked on its way to a campaign rally.

Erdogan was not in the convoy at the time of the attack and was airlifted to his next stop in a helicopter, NTV news reported.

-Reuters

Private employers added 179,000 jobs in April

U.S. private employers added 179,000 jobs in April, while payrolls for March were revised up modestly, a report by a payroll processor showed on Wednesday.

The ADP Employer Services report came in shy of economists' expectations for a gain of 198,000, according to a Reuters survey. March private payrolls were revised up to an increase of 207,000 from a previously reported 201,000.

-Reuters

Telescopes snag Meathook Galaxy

Two complementary views of the so-called Meathook Galaxy, released today, show how astronomers are piecing together the history of this lopsided group of stars.

The galaxy, located about 50 million light years away in the southern constellation Volans (The Flying Fish), is recognized for its asymmetrical spiral arms. One is tightly folded in on itself and host to a recent supernova, and the other is dotted with new star formation and extends far out from the nucleus.

-NBC News
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A year in review: 2010-2011

1. "Champagne named interim president" RWU named Ronald Champagne interim president after the July 2, 2010 resignation of former president Roy J. Nirschel. Champagne joined the RWU family with an intense enthusiasm and willingness to help the momentum of the university.

2. "Meet your president" In March, Donald J. Farish was named the 10th president of RWU, replacing Interim President Ronald Champagne. About 250 people crowded into the Global Heritage Hall atrium to watch Richard Bready, chairman of the Board of Trustees, on March 29, 2011.

3. "Public Safety video-tapes write-ups: student feels violated" After violating maximum capacity for a room party, Public Safety recorded footage of alcohol while writing up students in Bayside. The issue called student rights into question.

4. "Dramatic conclusion: HBO too pricey for admin" The administration cancelled HBO at the end of the spring 2010 semester in order to help save the university money. The $72,000 that the university saved went to avoid an increase in room and board.

5. "Worth the Wait" Spring concert performers, Third Eye Blind and Lupe Fiasco, delivered an impressive show to nearly 2,000 students. The concert went above expectations to those who waited four hours in line for the sold out show.

6. "Groundbreaking project passed" A new turf field replacing the field in front of Bayside is set to begin construction this upcoming summer. The new field will include stadium seating that will seat close to 600 people.

7. "WQRI to return to air following hiatus" After five months of being off air due to equipment failure, WQRI made the ultimate comeback on November 18, 2011. Once the organization properly allocated money, the repairs were made and the radio came back to life.

8. "Gettin’ trashed" RWU administration placed a campus-wide ban on Four Loko, saying they posed a health risk to students. Before the ban, many hospital transports were attributed to the popular beverage.

9. "Students get infatuated with Like-A-Little" New website Like-A-Little became a smash success on campus due to its ability to let students anonymously flirt with anyone. Students everywhere were seen on the webpage the week before Thanksgiving break.
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Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Richard L. Brady, sent a campus-wide e-mail announcing the event, accompanied by a brief summary of Spiegel's involvement at RWU. In his e-mail, Brady wrote, "It is with great sadness that I share the news that our valued Board member, friend and longtime friend ... died this week."

Brady went on to praise Spiegel for his "fearless commitment to the integration of global studies in our education curriculum, noting that RWU "will forever be a part of Roger Williams' core value of developing global perspectives."

Spiegel's sentiments were shared by others on campus, as well. "The faculty and staff of the Economics department, Peggy and Marc Spiegel Center, were saddened to hear of Mr. Spiegel's passing," said Laura M. Avedis, Provost of RWU. "Mr. Spiegel was a special partner to Roger Williams University, in its thrust of learning to bridge the world. He and his wife were generous benefactors of theiedercofCultural and Heritage Hall. More importantly, Mr. Spiegel was a tireless advocate for global learning. His spirit will live on in Roger Williams' core value of developing global perspectives."

Spiegel was survived by his wife, Peggy. He was 92.

RWU ranks in PRINCETON REVIEW

LAUREN TIERNEY | Bristol Reporter
Roger Williams University has been added to The Princeton Review rankings for "The 381 Best Midwestern Colleges." The list includes 508 institutions of higher education in the United States and three in Canada.

The criteria used to determine sustainable colleges included innovative curriculum, campus culture, infrastructure, and preparing students for green careers.

RWU currently offers a sustainability studies minor that includes a range of course options in the fields of engineering, biology, anthropology, political science, and others. The university campus has eco-friendly shingles that run off recycled cans and a kitchen in the Eco-gro, a program run by enrolled students, educates and promotes sustainable efforts in our campus community. The university continues to "go green" and keeps sustainability a priority.

"The Center for Economic and Environmental Development (CEED) is also a part of sustainability efforts on campus."

"We do lots of green stuff over here in CEED — one of the reasons we teach here is that we are biological filters — that we can't have a healthy ecosystem without a healthy shellfish population," said Tim Reyes, Director of CEED.

"They write up a case study and then they write the plan. So, the first thing they do is write a title for the case study and say, 'Hey, here's the problem. Here's what you want to accomplish and here's what you want to do."

"This is the highest finish that Roger Williams has ever done. Last year we got fourth place, but this year we felt we had all the right pieces in place to get first place. Although second place is awesome and we beat BU, going to and expecting first place is still kind of a shot to the heart. It's awesome but it stings at the same time."

Winning first place was another Rhode Island school, Johnson and Wales University. At NSAC, RWU also competed against Boston University, Emerson College, Quinnipiac University, Salem State University, University of Hartford, and University of Massachusetts.

The winner will continue on to nationals in San Diego where it will compete for a $3,000 prize.

Although Reyes said he was disappointed, Micken said he was satisfied. "This was our fifth year in the competition. The first year we were just a couple points below fourth. The next year we tied for last. The third year, there was tremendous disagreement within the class about what approach to take so we didn't go to the competition. Last year we took fourth out of seven schools and this year we were second out of eight schools. Given then, I am delighted that we took second place.

"In taking second, we were better than BU, who won the district last year and then went to the National competition and won fifth nationally. Emerson is often the winner and we were better than they were. The presentation was perfect."

"I think this is a tremendous experience for students. Es­pecially if they're in the senior class, I think you get tired of sitting in a class." Micken said.

"This is an opportunity to take what you learned and then apply it. The students are incredibly talented and innovative."

All access: Meet the new face of the web

AMANDA NEWMAN | Managing Editor

The Hawks’ Herald is changing. Beginning fall 2011, Roger Williams University’s new Chief Information Officer, CIO, who is responsible for maintaining, among other things, the Internet on campus.

Barnes was hired on February 14, 2011, replacing former CIO Joe Pangborn.

What are your goals at CIO? Barnes: My goals are to improve the communication between Information Technology and students, faculty, and staff; provide helpful tech­nology to everyone; maintain infrastructure to provide the best customer service for every­one on the university.

What is your role at CIO? Barnes: My role is to improve IT so that students can get help. This summer, we will be improving the wired network always gets faster. Also, we are upgrading technology for the Internet building by building. We are also looking to increase data more efficiently. We are also be­ing extremely cost-conscious and having a conscious of tuition revenue. We have a specific, planned, approach on how to upgrade. I encourage students to let me know in case they're receiving a weak signal. We’ve already had a stu­dent tell us about a unique area on campus and we improved the access (in that area). I'm very open to that.

How would you evaluate the current network and signal strength? Barnes: [laughs] In regards to wireless [access] across campus, during the day, it's fine, but during the night it slows down because of the amount of people using it. This is why we increased the capacity by 60%. We are also looking to increase hardwire. In a couple of years we will be able to improve our bandwidth access, because there's more bandwidth being provided. Here is part of a consortium of schools that will allow us to take advantage of that.

This is the first time that students are receiving an Internet plan and that they can share information over it. This is the first time that students don’t realize they can get help at all hours on some level and having the time to get everything done. We’ve put together a great roadmap to get to go to go. Also, making sure the infrastructure is strong enough, is going to be the backbone. But I have a great team; they're very dedicated.

The easy part was to come here.
New RIPTA busses are cleaner, smoother, still admit students for free

DANIELLE TERRY / Herald Reporter

Bouncing through the tight, narrow streets of downtown Bristol, the Rhode Island Public Transportation Authority (RIPTA) bus makes frequent stops to pick up students and Bristolians alike. All day, everyday, the route 60 bus travels between Newport and Providence, passing through Bristol, offering convenient, inexpensive, and now environmentally friendly transportation.

RIPTA has found a way to provide an even more environmentally friendly transportation service by introducing hybrid buses.

"The new hybrid busses ride a lot smoother. These [current] buses do not take the bumps well," said RIPTA driver Ron Bay.

The bus route that travels through Bristol has not been lucky enough to have the new busses yet, but they are expected to grace the streets of Bristol soon.

"The new cars do not have the transmitters for the bridge yet," said Bay, who has driven the new buses, just not along route 60.

The hybrid buses are powered by clean diesel hybrid electrical propulsion systems, have new soft seating, and have improved shock absorbers for a better ride. Most importantly though, they save approximately 20 percent on fuel and reduce up to 50 percent of nitrogen oxides, according to Crissy Rappoport, the marketing coordinator for RIPTA.

Taking public transportation is already an environmentally friendly thing to do. The fewer the number of cars on the road, the less the amount of pollution is released into the air.

However, students now have an opportunity to take improved and enhanced environmentally friendly public transportation services. Students like Emily Levassour, who have ridden the hybrid busses, say they are a big improvement.

"I take the RIPTA a few times a week. It is an easy way to get to Providence and my internship. The new buses look really nice, they are cleaner, and smell a lot better," Levassour said.

The fact that they save on fuel and release fewer emissions into the air is also a big improve ment for the RIPTA rider.

"It’s great that the new RIPTA buses are hybrid. This sets a great example and shows awareness to other Rhode Islanders and commuters that we have to be careful with the environment we live in," Levassour said. "It is our responsibility to do whatever we can to help our environment."

In addition to the new busses, RIPTA has also developed a five-year strategic plan to improve public transportation in Rhode Island. This will include new service routes to accommodate more passengers and connect riders with new destinations that will hopefully improve the economy in the state. Some parts of this plan have already been put into effect.

Just in time for the end-of-the-semester holiday home, RIPTA has added a new line from Kennedy Plaza in Providence to the Warwick Train Station. This line will conveniently bring students within walking distance of T.F. Green Airport. This will certainly help cut down on travel time and headaches for those heading to Warwick and catching a flight out of Rhode Island. Another added benefit of riding RIPTA is that it does not hurt the average student’s wallet at all.

All Roger Williams University students can ride the RIPTA anywhere they want in Rhode Island for free. RWU provides students with RIPTA passes that can be picked up at the ID office in the commons.

The following community participants have agreed to offer discounts to RWU faculty, staff and students. Please show your RWU card to take advantage of the offers!

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Coggio Photo
60 Franklin St, Bristol RI 401-253-2351

Paper Packaging & Panache
418 Hope St, Bristol RI 401-254-2237

Tanner Lane
530 Wood St, Bristol RI 401-253-7272

Lee’s Barbershop
365 Hope St, Bristol RI 401-253-9300

Concrete Chiropractic Group
365 Hope St, Bristol RI 401-253-1126

The Anchor Maritime Bar
29 Thames St, Bristol RI 401-254-9747

Paris Accounting and Tax Service
12 Constitution St, Bristol RI 401-253-8230

Kate & Company
301 Hope St, Bristol RI 401-253-3117

Hair, Heart & Soul
57 State St, Bristol RI 401-253-5200

Bristol Yoga Studio
679 Hope St, Bristol RI 401-254-0147

Flageau at the Landing
251 Thames St, Bristol RI 401-254-2927

Flagship Hair Salon
260 Hope St, Bristol RI 401-253-5003

Lobster Pot
139-141 Hope St, Bristol RI 401-253-9180

Chris Woodard at Keller Williams East Bay
219 Thomas St, Bristol RI 401-640-5461

Duvall Tavern
219 Thames St, Bristol RI 401-254-2805

Harbor Bath & Body
251 Thames St, Bristol RI 401-394-9170

Le Riolo
78 Hope St, Bristol RI 401-253-7321

Redwater’s
444 Thames St, Bristol RI 401-254-1198

The Bay Shop
450 Hope St, Bristol RI 401-253-9667

EBFF Skiff Shop
150 Franklin St, Bristol RI (located on Wood St.) 401-394-9490

Aunt Patches & Movement Studio
259 Thomas Street, Bristol RI

Ann Taylor Loft
190 Country Road, Barrington, RI 401-254-0338

Revel
227 Thames St, Bristol RI

Sheraton Williams all locations
Spiral Hair all locations

Tow Hall Tap all locations

Mezzanine Car Care all locations

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Other than a small flower garden he keeps in his yard, Ray Sabourin started thinking about becoming a farmer until he learned his casual interest in gardening could help feed hungry children.

For nine years, Mr. Sabourin has made the drive from his Riverside home to the Magaziner Farm off Poppasquash Road in Bristol three days a week to spend a few hours mending fences, planting, weeding, harvesting, or doing whatever jobs needed to be done on the farm.

But now Mr. Sabourin is ready to pass the plow on to someone else who wants to be outdoors and do something good for the community.

Volunteers at the community farm grow fresh produce for the R.I. Community Food Bank. Mr. Sabourin and his wife, Bonnie, were motivated to volunteer at the food bank after Mrs. Sabourin saw a newspaper article about the growing number of Rhode Island children who regularly go to bed hungry.

"She thought it would be a good idea to do something to help," said Mr. Sabourin, who served the last five years as the farm's manager. They began volunteering at the food bank, where they would stock shelves, sort food and do other tasks to help those in need. At the same time, the concept of growing fruit and vegetables in community farms was being developed.

Mr. Sabourin joined a group of four or five volunteers to tend an acre of land donated by the Magaziner family to help stock the food bank. Although Mr. Sabourin started out as a farmhand, "It took off from there," he said, and he became the farm manager a few years later.

After a few years in operation, the first farm manager left, leaving a group of three people to share the responsibility of managing the farm. Of the three, "One passed away, one moved away, that left Ray," he said, referring to himself. I had enough contacts to make it go.

From community groups to student volunteers, the farm has the hands necessary to work the land. Mr. Sabourin, however, hopes someone or another small group of people, will volunteer to replace him and take over the responsibilities of farm manager.

"It's a great example of community teamwork," he said. "I have some wonderful volunteers who get together informally to decide what we need to do."

The major responsibility is ensuring the farm has plants to tend. The farm relies on donated seeds and seedlings, from the University of Rhode Island and other sources. "Every once in a while we'll get a call to say someone has extra plants or seedlings they want to donate," he said. Once the food is ready to be harvested, volunteers get it from the farm to the food bank as quickly as possible.

At just under one acre, the farm is manageable and can still produce a significant amount of produce for the food bank.

With a regular volunteer staff of six, the farm relies on groups who visit periodically to "get their hands dirty" tending to crops of squash, tomatoes, peppers, beans, eggplant and whatever other vegetables are donated to grow on the farm.

"There's a sense of satisfaction that comes from working a farm," Mr. Sabourin said. "When I started out, the tasks weren't that dirty." The more the farm grew, the more he had to learn about management in addition to farming. "It's more about being able to delegate tasks," he said.

The farm volunteers share a desire to combat hunger in Rhode Island. Born in Trinidad, Ben Rajkumar couldn't believe the amount of food that many people in America were starting. He would see news accounts of serious famines in Africa and Asia being reported. "It was during a golf match that a friend asked me if I would like to help work in a community garden. When he learned the farm was only six miles away from his Bristol home, he couldn't say no.

"It was two years from taking the request to getting the second season," Mr. Sabourin said. "We didn't know what we would get."

He described that hunger at FJK as being full of rubble of varying sizes, all remnants of the World Trade Center.

Examining the steel beam, for now placed inside a storage room at the farm, Mr. Sabourin said, "It's very uplifting," said Mr. Rajkumar, who has volunteered for three years. "Ray leads from the front. If you enjoy doing something, others will enjoy it, too."

The R.I. Community Food Bank spends about $1 million each year to stock its Cranston distribution center.

"As companies became more efficient, the donor stream dried up," said Bruce Zaentz, the food bank's director of acquisitions. "We service 180 member service agencies around the state, including Bristol Good Neighbors." The farms are "really a community-driven program," he said. "Ray has been a cornerstone, with the Magaziner Farm harvesting nearly 8,000 pounds of produce each season.

With the ground finally thawed from winter, Mr. Sabourin and other volunteers are preparing the land for the upcoming planting season. Last week, Mr. Sabourin surveyed the crop land tucked away in the woods off Poppasquash Road, and said, "You see deer, coyotes, fox and hawks all around. It's a peaceful place," he said of the farm's location. "Still, I'm turning 70 this summer. I'd like to play a little more golf with my wife and spend more time with my grandchildren."
Champagne's farewell address

HENRY LONGBIN | Sports Editor

Depending on one's perception of time, a year can seem like an eternity or like it goes by like a flash. Though the latter is more likely to apply in the context of Interim President Ronald Champagne's tenure at Roger Williams University, it is without doubt that he will be able to look back on his year at RWU with a variety of experiences.

A native of the Ocean State, Champagne holds a bachelor's degree from Duquesne University, along with Master's degrees from Fordham University and the Catholic University of America. After earning these degrees, he returned to Fordham to complete his studies, an eternity or like it goes by like a flash. After completing a rigorous application process that involved submitting a taped presentation, senior Dan Shea was selected to speak at the Commencement Ceremony on May 21. Tina Hawes' Herald sat down with Shea and talked to him about being selected to speak in front of the RWU administration, alumni, his friends, family, and most importantly, the entire senior class.

Why did you apply to speak at Commencement?

I feel like I've had a lot of unique experiences that probably most people at the University don't get to take part in. At the same time, I've gotten to delve in a lot of different things that have kind of gotten me acquainted with a ton of different people from our class. I feel like I've gotten a great feel for what our class has done and what the identity of our class has become. I tried to put into words all the successes we've had.

What was your reaction to the news?

I was very excited. It's a great honor and I was humbled that I was selected and it's something that I'm taking very seriously. I feel very honored and privileged to take part in it.

Was it something you always wanted to do?

It wasn't something that I planned to do. It's something that, like I said, I'm really honored to do because it is kind of representative of your class and I get to go up there and portray an image for your class. It's not something that I planned to do or intended to do but it worked out for me.

Do you hope to get anything out of speaking?

Just being able to represent the class and put into my own words what the school has meant for myself and my entire class. Putting into words the accomplishments we've had is just kind of a thrill for me and I'm excited to be able to do it.

Are you nervous?

I'm actually not. Presenting has never really been tough for me. As long as I'm fine with the material and as long as I know what I'm saying and what I'm speaking about. Then again, I say that now, a couple weeks out of presenting, in front of a big audience but I'm really not too nervous. Not yet, at least.

Senior Class President Stephanie Birch (left) and Secretary Ben Sisko (right).

Class officers give parting thoughts

BEN WHITMORE | Editors-in-Chief

This is going to sound like a cliche but Stephanie Birch, the Senior Class President, and Ben Sisko, the Senior Class Secretary, to ask them about their outlook sixteen days from commencement.

The Hawes' Herald: How would you define the class of 2011?

Stephanie Birch: I think the last four years we've really grown as a class and when I think of the class of 2011, I think mostly of a community. I think that over the years we've grown together and that individually we've all become successful people. I think the class of 2011 has given back to the university and has done a lot of great things for Roger Williams.

Ben Sisko: I kind of think of us as kind of a bridge from the old Roger Williams to the new Roger Williams. I mean, we're sitting in GH1 now; this wasn't here when we were freshmen. The new residence hall... pretty much upgrades all over campus. And then our senior gift was giving to the turf field so I mean right now, Roger Williams is only going up and I think our class had a lot to do with it.

HH: What have been some specific ways in which your class has contributed to the rise of the university?

SB: I think that a lot of members in our class have taken the time to start initiatives on campus.

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Commencement speaker announced
Speaker to deliver commencement address

Don Shea, Traditions Co-Chair for Campus Entertain­ment Network, will address his classmates as the senior class speaker. Following the student speakers, United States Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.) will address the graduating class of 2011 and will receive an honorary degree from the university. Whitehouse has served as Rhode Island's junior senator since 2007. Previously, he served as Rhode Island's attorney general and as a U.S. attorney.

Whitehouse is a member of the Senate budget committee and is Chairman of the Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism. He also works to protect oceans and marine ecosystems as Chairman of the Senate Environment and Public Works Subcommittee. Also to be receiving an honorary degree from the university is Denise Jenkins, Grant Programs Officer for the Rhode Island Foundation, and Vice Chair of the RWU Board of Trustees. She has a career in education and public service. She is also the Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee at RWU.

The RWU School of Law will hold its own commencement ceremony, conferring over 150 juris doctor degrees. The Hon. Paul A. Sanft, Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court will deliver the commencement address, as well as receiving an honorary degree from the institution.

Also due to speak are the Hon. Robert C. Flaherty, Associate Justice to the Rhode Island Supreme Court, and Berry Anne Waters, a 1998 RWU school of Law alumna, who became famous after fighting for 18 years to get the conviction of her brother, who was convicted for murder. She was eventually successful, and inspired the 2010 movie Conviction.

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In advising the senior class, Champagne had two words for the departing members of the campus community: “Know yourself.”

“Get in touch with yourself, take yourself seriously. Your time on Earth is to be taken seriously. You will be the ones changing the world for the different and the better. Never forget that what you do influences society. If you know yourself and do what you need to do, then you’re in a great place.”

While it will undoubtedly be tough to see such an influential leader depart as Donald J. Trump, current President of Rowan University in Glassboro, N.J., prepares to do the same, it has not deterred Champagne’s strong belief in being involved in the community. Highlighting a recent dinner he had with the Senator, Champagne said, “I really enjoyed listening to what they had to say. They’re a motivated group of individuals who are looking to make this campus the best it can be.”

Overall, Champagne said that his favorite experiences here are, “When I am with students and faculty.”

Those moments, to me, are the best.

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Roger Williams illustration the map. As a college, through the service that they’ve been doing, there’s been so many new clubs and organizations pop up here or put on amazing programs since we’ve been here, and I think that they’re really made Roger Williams a school that people want to go to. The traditions that the class of 2011 has made will be lasting traditions throughout the history of Roger Williams.

BS: I’ve been hearing a lot of people getting out in the workforce and I know that employers look at us as a school where quality students are produced and the more that people get hired and the more that are successful in the workforce, the easier it will be for future students to get hired, and I see that going in a positive direction.

HH: How do you feel about your class’s chances getting jobs and graduating?

BS: For me, I know I feel like I’m doing on my own almost. The school hasn’t actually been very helpful for me. Hawkins Hunt is actually pretty terrible and I think almost everyone would agree with me there. It’s hard to describe a little bit. I feel like a lot of people are desperate for anything at this point and they’re taking the first thing that comes, which is alright I guess. I guess something is better than nothing.

BS: I had a little bit of a different experience. I am very happy with the education that I’ve received at Roger Williams and I think that it has adequately prepared me to go out into the workforce. Through the things that I’ve done on campus, they feel like I bring a lot to the table, when I talk to employers. I’m very confident leaving Roger Williams and going into the workforce. I’m very excited about it.
Seniors keep fingers crossed for job after commencement

When the arrival of May, students can find consolation in the warm weather while dealing with the stress of finals. For seniors, it is a time of deciding where their life after college is headed. It is crunch time and the job search is on. For Caroline Klipfel, a senior and a marketing major, the job search started in September and is going to continue until she lands that perfect job. Klipfel, who is from Redding, Conn., is looking for jobs primarily on the west coast in the San Francisco and Bay Area to be closer to her boyfriend.

"He has secured a job with Facebook and will be moving out to work there in Palo Alto, Calif. in July," she said. "I would like to be within the same area of the country."

The companies that Klipfel is applying to are not giving her the attention she deserves, she said, due to her current location. "It is very frustrating for me to not be taken seriously by companies on the west coast since I do not reside there," Klipfel said. "As I've begun to hear back from companies, my confidence level has increased tremendously. I've learned that patience and persistence truly go a long way during this process."

According to the National Center for Education Statistics, about 2.4 million students will graduate with bachelor's and associate's degrees as part of the Class of 2011. These students that are graduating will not only be competing with other graduating students around the country but also with laid-off workers and unemployed students who graduated in 2009 and 2010.

In a recent survey done by CareerBuilder, fewer than half of employers (44 percent) plan on hiring recent college grads in 2010. This percentage is about the same as the previous year, but represents a decline from the 58 percent in 2008 and the 79 percent in 2007. Another Roger Williams University senior is already apart of that lucky 44 percent, Katherine Ilaria, a public relations major, has already a secured a secured job with General Electric.

Ilaria, who will be working as part of their communication leadership development program, was encouraged to apply to General Electric during her internship with them last summer. Ilaria and Klipfel both agree that internships are the best way to make connections and gain insight on what kind of job you would be interested in.

"The best way to get a job is to work hard at your internship and ask for real-world projects," said Ilaria. "It is also important to get involved off campus and intern for a company that you would want to work for."

Graduating, for both seniors, is coming with mixed emotions but also with excitement to start a new part of their life. For Klipfel, the search for a job continues. "If my plans to secure a job on the west coast do not work out, I'm simply going to keep on trying," she said. "It may

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Seniors of the class of 2014 work with site leader Interim President Champagne, raking leaves and clearing brush.

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COMMUNITY:
Site leaders help inspire participation

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campus completed over 52,000 hours, an increase of almost 30,000 hours of work. "This program has been a valuable addition to the university in many different capacities and students really understand that," Ferrara said.
"We have been recognized by other colleges in the area who have come to shadow our program," Ferrara said.
She said she believes the program has as great of an effect as it does due to the passion that the site hosts have about their organization.
"Students aren't just picking trash up off the beach and calling it a day, they are learning from the site host about Save the Bay and the impact that just five hours of work actually has on the surrounding environment," Ferrara said.
Each site host works with the school and student to show what the work is going towards and how they are making a difference.

JOBS: Perseverance is key for employment

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take longer than expected, but I would rather wait out for a job that I am excited for, rather than to settle on something." Bidding competitions and networking is something that Ilaria said she highly encourages.
"At RWU, I was invited to lunch, dinner, and networking events with people that I worked with," Ilaria said. "Although I am an underdog interested in further pursuits in the world of academics as I was able to speak with others in the profession, ask advice about the future and also hear a diverse mix of ideas," said Daniel Hoskins, a senior.
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Newport Folk Festival is back in town

FEATURES

KATLYN FLICKA
Features Editor

Founded in 1959 as a counter­party to the Newport Jazz Festi­val, the Newport Folk Festival has introduced many notable performers to the music world every summer.

Featuring performances by bluegrass, blues, country, folk, and folk rock musicians originally, the festival expanded in the 1990s to include the genres of alternative country, folk punk, and indie folk.

Taking place at Fort Adams State Park in Newport, the brainchild of George Wein cel­e­bra­ted its 50th year in 2009, hosting acts such as Joan Baez, Pete Seeger, the Decem­berists, Fleet Foxes, and the Avett Brothers. The 2008 show saw the likes of Jimmy Buffet, Stephen and Damian Marley, the Black Crowes, and Jakob Dylan.

Wein, an established produc­er in the jazz world, has been called "the most famous jazz impresario" and the "most im­port­ant non­player in jazz his­tory," and is credited with the founding of both New­port Festivals, the New­port Jazz and Heritage Festival and the Play­boy Jazz Festival in Los Angeles and the Newport Festival Foun­da­tion. He introduced the idea of corporate sponsorship for the concerts, gaining support from companies such as Melkon Bank, Essence Magazine, Ver­i­son, Ben & Jerry's, and Dunkin' Donuts.

Though the Festival began in 1959, it has not run continu­ously since. Halting per­for­mances in 1971, the Festival did not open its doors again until 1985 and has run without inter­ruption ever since. It has hosted some of the most memorable events of its kind and has be­come the heart of the folk scene.

The year 1963 saw a young Bob Dylan get his first national performance when he came along as a guest of Joan Baez, and his 1964 appearance made him even more popular with the Newport regulars. His pres­ence caused an uproar in 1965, however, when the audience be­came incensed over Dylan's use­age of an electric guitar. He was crit­i­cized for "abandoning" the folk orthodoxy, despite the im­pact that his change in style had on both the folk genre and the rock genre.

The Festival is very dedicated to sustainability and has par­rated with Clean Water Action (CWA) and Rhode Island Re­source Recovery to collect 4.5 tons of recyclables. The CWA set up composting stations in an effort to control the waste amassed during the show and also used reusable water bottles from Klean Kanteen. The of­ficial beer of the Festival, Ver­mont's Magic Hat, used plant­based, 100 percent compostable cups, and the festival teamed up with CILF Bar, setting up a bike valet to encourage concert-goers to ride their bikes instead of drive their cars to the event.

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Inspired by Seinfeld, student presents paper at Conference

Near the end of the semester, most students are bunking up in the library, cramming to write term papers and complete graphic design projects. Trips for fun are put on hold while schoolwork consumes all hours of the day. But some students had time to write for fun, and were rewarded for it.

In April, four English literature students were selected to present a paper written on a topic of their choice at the annual National Popular Culture/ American Culture Association Conference held this year in San Antonio, Texas. For most, it was an opportunity of a lifetime.

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MARGARET CASE
From left to right: Nicole Foti, Dan Hoskins, Cory Alice, and Lisa Pellecchia. All students presented at the conference.
LETTER TO THE EDITOR

"The best medical help is available as long as you can afford it, but then again, being sick isn't supposed to be a right. We are a nation of 'go-getters' and not people who say, 'help me I am irresponsible and can't take care of myself.' I am not following the logic that brought Andy Plocica to the conclusion that taking on an immense financial burden is a natural part of being hospitalized. I am also not understand­ ing how Andy still believes in the "pull yourself up by your bootstraps" mentality ("we're a nation of 'go-getters'.") Perhaps it's because he doesn't quite understand the complexity of issues like bankruptcy because of illness, or homelessness, or poverty. Andy's simplistic argument in this opinion article arounds me: "If you smoke a pack of cigarettes a day and inefficient is a weak, foolish argument. Andy's simplistic argument in this opinion article arounds me: "If you smoke a pack of cigarettes a day and inefficient is a weak, foolish argument.

Andy, I am a person who genuinely cares about my fel­ low Americans. I am deeply empathic by nature. I un­ derstand that you absolutely cannot judge a person's circum­ stance unless you have talked to them and learned their story. Poverty is a vicious cycle, and your article is full of scho­ lens about the 'irresponsible' individuals who find themselves in a finan­ cial mess - oftentimes because of illness. There are exceptions to everything, assuming that everyone who doesn't have health care or needs government aid has been lazy makes you sound like a heartless moron. Please reevaluate your world­ view.

Sincerely,
Molly Katchpole, Class of 2011

EDITORIAL: Lesson on stealing

The theft of Willow common room television sparks a reflection on morals

MICHELLE BUCKLEY Assistant News Editor

When I was little, around nine, my mom wouldn't allow me to wear lip gloss, because she thought and believed but she doubted. So, like most kids my age that one point in their young lives, I stole. In my pocket on the way home was a sparkly Smackers lip balm from CVS. I opened it and the fruity aroma filled the car. "What is that smell?" my mom asked. "Uhuhh... I was 9. I had no excuse. She caught me. All I got out of that experience was a slap on the wrist, figuratively. I knew, however, never to steal again because I would ultimately get caught.

I am 19-years-old now, I thought, or imagined, young adults my age didn't steal. I figured we all knew right from wrong and didn't want to suffer any consequences. So when I received an e-mail telling me that this past weekend, the 55-inch television was stolen from the Willow rec. room, I was infuriated. First of all, Willow residents just earned the privilege back to me the second floor of the rec. room. When I first moved in, only the first floor was open. Students used their I.D. to enter the room that con­tained ample seating and a big television. Being a freshman, I had no idea what was above it, but had never even been up the stairs that led to the second floor. Willow Hall Council held a big grand opening a couple weeks ago where they unveiled the revamped second floor that contained the 55-inch television and two vending machines filled with snacks. I was thrilled. The other freshman dorms, Maple, Stone­ wall, and Kethie, have vending machines. Whether for drinks or snacks, they are available to students. Willow had no late­ night food options, I'd have to beg my neighbors or run to Lower Commons for food. Clearly, I was excited about every­ thing the second floor of the rec. room had to offer. Especially

with finals coming up, it'd be a new environment I could escape to in order to get some peace and quiet. As a result of these thoughts, probably inan­ cient, selfish students.

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New York City firemen raise a makeshift flag over the wreckage at Ground Zero.

MARK ROZOW Photo Editor

The period bell rang and the students headed for 12:50 lunch. The bar between English class and the post period bell rang and I shuffled off to English class. The teachers, Mr. Lanu, was late and she looked smaller than normal. A normally energetic teacher, he turned to velocity with his eyes. I walked into the make-shift snack room that day and she looked just like that America's enemy number one was there. After a decade of intelligence agencies and frustration for the United States' military and intelligence agencies, bin Laden's lifeless body was hauled onto an at­ tack helicopter by members of the U.S. Navy SEALs and just like that America's enemy number one was no more. After a decade, intelligence agencies around the world fantasizing about the fortress-cave-dwelling bin Laden was inhabiting, the most deadly terrorist attack in U.S. history was found hiding in plain sight.

Although the killing of bin Laden was a massive victory for the United States' war against terrorism by removing the head of the al-Qaeda snake with a bullet above the left eye, it is more importantly a sense of closure. Terrorism itself is a world­wide affair and will in no way cease because of the death of one leader. However, what it has done is enable us as people to focus and come with the true memory of Sept. 11 - the people. Despite the massive amount of casualties surround­ing the attacks, the aftermath of Sept. 11, was a victory for the American spirit. The wake of the attack brought a renewal to the pride of what it means to be American as we were joined together as a nation in mourning. Along with the victims of the initial attacks, many men and women from numerous fire and police departments lost their lives trying to rescue the survivors trapped in the wreckage of what once was the World Trade Center. When the planes hit the twin towers, 4,000 people lost their pride of their own lives.

bin Laden was buried in a place with no markings, and no crowds. Only a small group of people watching from the flight deck of the U.S. aircraft carrier Carl Vinson witnessed the event. Osama bin Laden will not become a symbol to any of his followers, he will not have a grave, and as he sinks slowly into the sea his memory will fade, and we will be left only with the steadfast image that he is the enemy of the world.

It is my hope that bin Laden will fade from our minds and our nightmares, and we will be left only with the bravery of those who were left behind. The courage to meet the horror of September 11th, begins with a joke, or a story that brings pride and happiness to those who find themselves in a financial mess - oftentimes because of more complex circum­stances. I received an e-mail telling me that this past weekend, the 55-inch television was stolen from the Willow rec. room, I was infuriated. First of all, Willow residents just earned the privilege back to me the second floor of the rec. room.

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Editorial: Remembering September 11, 2001

Looking back on being a kid during the terrorist attack that shaped the nation's next 10 years

New York City firemen raise a makeshift flag over the wreckage at Ground Zero.
You can’t trust health services

W A L E N D U R T | Herald Reporter

Who can we trust if we can’t trust our doctors? Here on campus, we obviously don’t have our regular attending physicians to rely on when we get sick. But worry not; they’re doing, we have health services — that little hole-in-the-wall infirmary open five days a week, every day of the week (because who gets sick on the weekends? If we ever get to the point where we put our trust in a facility that can’t tell the difference between behaviors and the common cold.

Of course, I’m exaggerating: the Health Services Center on campus is fairly well equipped with four nurse practitioners, residents, nurses, and medical assistants, two administrative assistants, and two part-time pharmacy technicians. These professionals are generally capable of offering information to anyone who asks for it, instructing students on how to best begin managing their health care without the help of their parents. They can offer us Plan B and condoms with no questions asked and will help any student who do not have cars, by getting them out of the infirmary and offering pharmacy deliveries. Then on the weekends, when they are done.

Public Safety is techni­cally available for emergen­cies. With the help of the United World Health Expert (UWHEs), the people of the University health service are a group of keeping the student popula­tion very well informed, but sadly, facilities not covered. I understand that the univer­sitv isn’t required to provide us with a fully operating emer­gency room or anything of that nature, but to have a pseudo­sickbay is better than having nothing at all. It’s one thing to let us know, up front, that if we’re sick we need to take care of it on our own and see our trusty old doctor, or actually go to the nearest hospital. Yet, it’s another thing entirely to pretend that they can help.

Health Services is supposed to manage average health issues that come with a student and correctly evaluate injuries and illnesses. Although much of the time the staff can handle the acute cases, people who do not understand. No matter who did, won’t your second thoughts scare off the image of women that exists in our society; women themselves are too often the ones bringing themselves down.

In my opinion, it is up there for everyone to see, and people should be allowed to see it without limitations. Not to extremely im­portant part of our lives. If a significant event, like Osama Bin Laden dying, has occurred people should be able to get to the news immediately anywhere they are and the Internet is one of the easiest ways to do so.

I find that publishers haven’t been paying my student’s work, because they don’t see any revenue coming in from the Internet.

— Michael Scully
Assistant Professor of Communications

A recent survey released by the UN shows that women are more likely to be victims of violence and discrimination than men. However, it is difficult to imagine having to prove my cultural knowledge and flu­ency of a language to become a citizen. Although this is often true, men are not the only cause for the image of women that exists in our society; women themselves are too often the ones bringing themselves down.

It is alright to be girly, and to love dresses, and pink, and pearls, but it’s demeasuring to make yourself look intentionally weaker or less intelligent in the presence of men.

W O M E N ’ S I S S U E S

Female misogynists

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There is a tendency among women to put all the blame for prevailing misconceptions stereo­types in our culture, on men. Although this is often true, men are not the only cause for the image of women that exists in our society; women themselves are too often the ones bringing themselves down.

Make people pay for online content. According to an article in The New York Times, publishers want more paywalls to require people to pay for online content. According to the article, New York Times readers pay 20 articles per month for free. However, once you go over that limit readers are forced to continue read­ing. What is the slow decline in print journal­ism is said. I feel that one of the reasons is the way the Internet is being used. People are used to having access to the media [constantly]. And the newspaper model doesn’t make you feel cool, it makes you feel a little different, a little bit unique.

I find that publishers haven’t been paying my student’s work, because they don’t see any revenue coming in from the Internet.

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Osama Bin Laden: Total reason for war in Middle East?

This past Sunday an event took place that all Americans have been waiting for. On May 2, Osama bin Laden was killed during a military operation, and at least some sort of closure occurred for thousands of families not only the United States, but throughout the world. After the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks, the U.S. began a campaign to fight terrorism that would lead the country into two wars. The question remains, though, is the war still about terrorism, and was the war still about the destruction of al-Qaeda, and the killing of Osama bin Laden? Although the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan have been going on for nearly ten years now, I still believe that under all of the bad press and bad politics that the goal of killing bin Laden was still in mind.

The Iraq War and the Afghan War have different end goals, and began for reasons related to terrorism, but may at some point stayed away from this goal. Iraq was thought, without a doubt, the war that was hard to figure out. With each passing year, the Iraq War became harder and harder to define, and I wasn’t really sure what the point of being there was after a while. It wasn’t really the smartest idea to go into Iraq, at the time there could have seemed to be reasons to do so, but as we found out there really wasn’t.

We knew that bin Laden wasn’t hiding in Iraq, so that war really had nothing to do with him. Of course, there were al-Qaeda activities going on there, but on a level compared to in Afghanistan, Iraq became the war with no point.

That is what it is officially done and over with, although we still remain there. We still have an air-war in there, and we are there to protect our allies. Afghanistan was the real war that was dealing with the capture of bin Laden. He was deeply operating in the country, and we may not like to go into other nations to conduct war, but after the attacks of Sept. 11, and all of the other operations that bin Laden took part in, Afghanistan seemed like the logical option. There were two wars going on over the past decade, and both were about very different things as time went on.

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Iraq seemed to be pointless after the first six months we were there, but the war in Afghanistan was helping defeat al-Qaeda. Bin Laden was not only the leader of this group, but he was the spirit of it. He was the leader who was able to inspire others to take part in attacks, and now that he has been killed, al-Qaeda has lost its main player, and will scramble to reevaluates themselves.

Both of the wars began because of attacks that took place in our country, but over time I feel they both became about very different things. Iraq, by the time it ended, was a completely different war than what it was when it began. The war in Afghanistan, though, stayed at least sort of on track, fighting against al-Qaeda, which is what it originally set out to do.

God bless America! After ten years of a searching, the United States finally found and killed Osama bin Laden (or Osama if you feel special). The news came Sunday night moments before a statement from President Obama, who authorized the assassination. With the capture of al-Qaeda and mastermind of the 9/11 attacks dead, is there a larger question looming? Does the death of the radical Islamists' mascot represent the conclusion of our war on terror, and therefore our need to be in the Middle East? Has our mission in Afghanistan been revised over the past decade, or has Osama always been our goal?

Our adventure into Afghanistan was a mission dedicated to the eradication of terrorist organizations that threaten the United States and its allies. Afghanistan was invaded because al-Qaeda, under the leadership of bin Laden, was at fault for the unparalleled evil that we all remember on that fateful Tuesday in 2001. We are involved in a "war on terror," which is a broad and unspecific way of saying "anyone who is and/or might be related to a terrorist cell." Osama bin Laden was not the goal; it was not one man who caused all the death and destruction we witnessed on 9/11, but rather thousands of men. We aim at annihilating these "evildoers," but the death of Osama bin Laden is definitely a plus. Killing the leader of al-Qaeda may not cripple their ability to act. Hell, it might even aggravate them more, but it is simplistic justice to the American people. Osama bin Laden was their leader for years on end, and we shot in him the head. Justice. BOOM!

Operation Enduring Freedom (the name for the war in Afghanistan; don't feel bad I had to look it up now) is ongoing, and we will not stop until that nation is capable of governing itself in a manner that denies the operation of terrorist cells within its borders. Our military will not stop until the last vestiges of evil are eradicated, whether that relies on ridding Afghanistan of the Taliban or al-Qaeda entirely. It is a different situation. We have officially gotten ourselves into a pickle there and we will be leaving once the nation is stable enough to survive on its own. The vicious civil war that raged in the Iraqi borders for some years now was an unfortunate, but not unforeseeable, turn of events that we must deal with.

I am concerned about Pakistan, and whether they knew Osama bin Laden was hiding a few blocks away from the Pakistani equivalent of West Point (yeah I'm sure they had no idea). Good news though, if the Pakistanis are playing both sides I'm sure they have realized we are watching them now.

So we aren't bringing the troops home anytime soon folks, but let us be thankful that we have the best military in the world. Our men and women overseas are amazing. They make "kicking a** and taking names" look like a walk in the park. One concept that justice is not fast-acting but it will always find you. God Bless our troops abroad! God bless and good luck.
RACY STACY: Summer Lovin'

While you are at school it is easy to hibernate in your relationship. It doesn’t matter whether that relationship is with someone on campus or if it is a long-distance love affair with someone from home. No matter who you are, summer brings changes in the weather and in your expectations.

After finals, when you are spending time packing up all of the cutlery outfits that you wore out to parties and wrinkled pictures with the faded residue of double-sided tape, you usually aren’t thinking about the best way to separate your bra from your socks. We are usually making mental lists of all the things and people we want to do before the end of the three-month vacation.

In a way, the beginning of summer always feels like New Year’s Eve all over again. We don’t call them resolutions, but in our heads we are always thinking that we are going to make this the “best summer ever.” It’s unfortunate that so much of the time we rely on guys to act as the point of reference when thinking about how plentiful our summer was.

It’s satisfying that we are always having to set goals that are realistic and attainable in regards to school and career options, but when it comes to the summer we expect absolute perfection in the love department.

While this is fan, if you go into summer thinking that you are going to be happier with the best of them, you could end up feeling incomplete and inferior if it doesn’t happen. For many, we see the same people every summer at work, around town, and with friends. The likelihood of a single homeless moving in next door is doubtful. If something like that does happen, lucky you, but it’s better to be pleasantly surprised than down in the dumps because you didn’t find the illusion you were looking for.

From 3 minutes to 3 hours — Contrary to popular belief, college is actually the perfect place to have a relationship if you think about it. When you are with someone in college, it is almost like you are living together. You can easily walk down a paved road and see them within seconds. You sleep in their bed every night, and you can even enjoy all your meals side by side. If you need space, you can take it, but if you want to see them you always have the option. When summer tumbles into town, it is a definite test on your relationship. If you choose to stay together, insecurities flare up whenever they tell you that they are going out, or when you see one of their cute, booby-boosted friends write on their Facebook wall. It can put a strain on your trust if you are constantly concerned with what they are doing. Take the summer as an opportunity to focus on hobbies that you are passionate about with friends and family from home. If it’s meant to be, you will two will be able to stay together without stains of jealousy getting in the way.

Constant Toghehtness — If you have told on a long-term relationship, you probably have it down by now. For eight months out of the year, you have been perfecting the art of talking on the phone at night and seeing each other on weekends. You are probably excited to go home and hang with your boy say 24/7. Beware, of the too-much-toghehtness syndrome thought. When you go from having limited contact to an all-you-can-eat-buffer kind of love, you are more apt to get frustrated with your partner. To avoid this, make sure that you have your own to do list of undertakings that you want to accomplish this summer.

There is something about summer that makes us believe that anything is possible; never lose that feeling, but also remember not to lose yourself in defining what you think this summer should be. Usually what the universe has in store for us is better than anything that we could ever think of. So this summer, challenge yourself to not strategize your love life and follow the unscripted currents of change and luminosity. After all, that is what summer is all about.

4 ways to relax during finals

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With finals right around the corner, anxiety is inevitable for the majority of students on campus during the next couple of weeks. So here are five ways to relax, and reduce your stress. Just remember that summer is right around the corner!

1. Visit a Zoo.

Seeing animals just “being” allows us to slow down and relax. Animals at zoos are often seen slowly moving and relaxing, which is proven to inspire us to move slower too. By going to the zoo we are also adding up our daily routine and seeing animals that we may have never seen before in our lives. Seeing new things has been proven to excite people, which makes them happier, and reduces stress.

2. Look at pictures of friends and family.

Photographs are so important because they can capture a moment in time and make it last forever. By looking at pictures of people that love us, we feel less alone in our stress. We also remember the happy times in our life, and realize that the stress from our finals will quickly pass.

3. Laughter Yoga.

This is a new form of yoga that is rapidly spreading across the world. Yogis combine laughter exercises with the breathing from yoga, which results in happy and relaxed people. Unlike regular yoga where people take classes at their local gym or yoga building, laughter yoga is a club. This creates relationships between people who have each other’s support. Although laughter yoga has not yet reached Rhode Island, there are videos on YouTube that can guide you through a laughter yoga session. Laugh your way to relaxation!

4. Stare into an aquarium.

Many doctors’ and dentists’ offices have fish tanks in their waiting rooms in order to relax their clients. Researchers say that the bubbling noise that home aquariums make is proven to relax us, not only are the bubbles calming, but the water itself also has been proven to be relaxing. This is why going to the beach or traveling to tropical locations reduces our stress significantly. Some researchers theorize that watching the fish drift slowly through the water allows us to feel unburdened so next time you are feeling overwhelmed with work, find a friend with a fish tank and gaze into the water.

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End of the road for Men's Lacrosse

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The Men's Lacrosse team made the long journey to Hempfield, N.H. this past Saturday to participate in what has become an annual event for the club: The Commonwealth Cup Conference title. Saturday's triumph was the third in as many years for the men, while the women won their second in a row. And while such an accomplishment may seem realistic for a team that has a rich tradition with many years of experience, it may be all the more surprising to the average outsider that this program has only been a varsity program, both teams in as many years for the men, increase. The Boston Celtics in 2010, who also heads the program has drawn an average of 73 million viewers in terms of how much fame.

It's even bigger for.

France, receive between two and four 10-9 losses against Endicott and Manchester. Several other losses were against Endicott and Manchester, two of the most notable losses were against Endicott and Manchester, both of whom are ranked in the top twenty in the nation. Each game came down to the final minutes of the fourth quarter, but the Hawks would ultimately lose both contests by a slim, two goal margin. Livingston said that when the Hawks would lose by a narrow margin of less than 4 goals per game in the last few games, it was to teams who had played a tough schedule and had good competition. As far as making the semis for next season, Coach Kelly is planning to work on strengthening the defense, to go along with an impressive defense, that came around at the end of the year and will have all returning for 2012.

Eight members of the club that will not be returning the graduating seniors; five of whom are members of the All-TCCC Team, including Captains Drew Smith and Jim O’Toole.

Both were terrific players and did everything they were asked to do” Kelly said of his two unimpressed with how.

The Hawks would lose by an average of 9-4. Unfortuantely for the Hawks, losing close games was something the team had experienced several times during the regular season. Two of the most notable losses were against Endicott and Amherst College, both of whom are ranked in the top twenty in the nation. Each game came down to the final minutes of the fourth quarter, but the Hawks would ultimately lose both contests by a slim, two goal margin. Throughout the season the Men's Lacrosse team had trouble winning close games. While in their victories the Hawks would win by an average of 9 goals per game, they would only lose by less than 4 goals per game in the last few games, it was to teams who had played a tough schedule and had good competition.

Even if you aren’t a fan, I encourage you to go and watch the final of the competition on May 28. Soccer may be the biggest sport in the world, but the world of football is not always so accommodating to those who have been successful in this competition: Barcelona winning at United's expense in 2009 in the final, while United knocked out Barcelona in the semi final on their way to their 2008 triumphs. This year, both have players who are globally known in Lionel Messi and Wayne Rooney, along with rich heritage and fervent support.

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