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3 Elections Slated for Next Week

By Bill Winter

The next seven days will be a very busy time for aspiring politicians at RWC, with three major elections slated for this week and next. Today and tomorrow, during the 19th and 20th, the Class of 1980 will be holding elections for a Senior Class President and Vice-President. On April 24th and 25th the Student Senate will be holding elections to fill 10 soon-to-be-vacated Senate seats, and choose a new President and Vice-President. Also on the 24th and 25th Dorm Government will hold elections for a new President and Vice-President.

Nearly three 300 prospective students and their families attended Open House 1979. Parents and students have many questions for the club, organizations, and college representatives who were present.

Incoming Fresmen Interested and Questioning at Open House

By Jane Scott

On Saturday, April 7, RWC held an Open House for next year's incoming freshmen and transfer students. Approximately 300 prospective students and their families attended the event, the majority of whom were from Mass. and Conn.

Visitors were directed first to the Administration building, then could see exhibits in the Library and Student Union as well as tours of two or three special exhibits around campus.

In the Administration building students signed a guest book and were then assigned to small tour groups. Tour guides showed them the Classroom and Science-Business buildings where each department college and science.

In the dorms students saw units 1 and 7 and the first and third floors. Most people wanted to know, "How many people are on campus?" and, "What's the social life like?"

The test floor of the Library was full of representatives from Humanities-Career Writing, Historic Preservation, Sociology- Anthropology, Open Division, Financial Aid, Administration of Justice, Evening Division, Creative Writing and Co-operative Education.

Many of the students had already been accepted for next year's enrollment and were trying to decide what courses to take. So, many of their questions were, "What courses are required?" and, "What are the requirements for a major and a minor?" Parents were more interested in what their children would gain, "What kind of job could they get when they graduate? How much will they make?"

At Financial Aid, Dave Bodwell said, "This is the hardest day of the year for me because I spend all my time apologizing to parents, explaining why they didn't get as much money as they'd expected." In the Student Union there were booths for Athletics, Dorm Government, Scuba, Quonset Point, Health Services, Housing Business Club, Roger's Corner was open, Student Senate, Group, Cultural, Elementary Education, Social Work, Karate, Recycling, Quill, Student Senate, College, Pac, Counseling, Adelbaran, the Bookstore was open and a new group called Masada of Zoa was represented.

For the other booths, new students had many interesting questions. At Housing, parents asked, "What do the rooms come with? Are there surfboards here?" Students asked, "Is there drinking-slowing in the dorms? Can I be in a co-ed unit?" Of the clubs and student organizations visitors asked, "How many members are there? What kind of activities and social events are there? How do I get involved?"

Most of the students and their families seemed to be enjoying themselves during Open House. As one new student, Chris Madison, said, "I like the curriculum and the campus is beautiful. Also there is a lot of friendly people - I'm definitely coming next year!"

Pousette-Dart Band Returns to RWC for Spring Weekend After 3 Year Absence

By Kimberly Newsom

It would take more than a case of "amnesia" to keep students away from Spring Weekend this year, where the Pousette-Dart Band will be making their first appearance at RWC in three years.

The band, made up of Jon Pousette-Dart, John Troy, John Roarke, and Aldebaran, are the Student Senate's main attraction for Spring Weekend, and they will be playing on Saturday Night, April 29. The weekend will take place from Wednesday April 25, and Sunday April 30.

Tickets will go on sale on April 24. Beginning on Wednesday night, the Student Senate will present Mel Brook's movie "High Anxiety." Thursday night, John Roarke, will present his "Johnny and Company" comedian act. His presentation has been described as "a one-man show with a cast of dozens. It is a fast paced, laugh-a-minute spectacle that will leave you insisting that it could not be just one man. But it is one very talented man doing a very entertaining show."

The Student Senate has scheduled New Rhythm and Blues Quartet (NRBQ) for Friday night. NRBQ has been praised across the U.S. as being one of the most enjoyable, eccentric, and consistently superb bands in America. The band's music, a combination of rhythm and blues, swing, rock-n-roll is famous for its rhythm and spontaneity.

Pousette-Dart described his own band when he said, "We were never just a folk group. We have all different experiences, influences and backgrounds which we've brought to the band. I'm extremely pleased with the way our sound has developed and progressed."

On Sunday the Student Senate will provide RWC with a night of disco, when they will feature "Great Estates" and "Jamie Barnett." The Student Senate will provide back up groups for Friday and Saturday night. These will be Rizz and John Roarke, formally of Orleans.

There will also be hands-on-a-kegs and various sporting events taking place during Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

The Pousette-Dart Band will be appearing at RWC for Spring Weekend.

The RWC Challenge

RWC students and Bristol residents will be working side by side picking up litter and trash in the town on Saturday, April 21st. Llewellyn challenged the Bristol Town Council to see if they can collect more trash than the College on that day. "Not only will everyone be helping to make Bristol a cleaner town and better place to live, but we'll all become more aware of our environment," Llewellyn said.

The Town of Bristol has accepted the challenge and seems ready to give the College a "run for the trash," and has even changed the date of town participation in Rhode Island's Project Pride to Saturday.

In 1978, the College collected 75 tons of trash in a similar clean-up project. "One of the major goals of the 'challenge' is to have College students and Bristol residents working together for the good of the community," Llewellyn said.

The trash pick up will start at noon on Saturday at the foot of Old Ferry Road and proceed along Monticello Avenue to Griswold Avenue. The clean up crew will take a left on Griswold, work their way to Hope Street, proceeding down Hope Street to State Street in the center of Bristol. State Street will be cleaned to the State line.

While students, faculty and administrators from Roger Williams College, along with Bristol residents are picking up trash and litter, students from the College's Marine Biology Department and Scuba Diving Club will be conducting an underwater clean up off the Bristol harbor area.

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Candidates for Student Senate Office

President
Steve Fusco
I am running for the position of President of the Student Senate because I feel I have the experience and desire to do the job right. As President of the Senate my main concern will be to make sure that the Senate is responsive to the student's wants and needs. I encourage everyone to vote and I would greatly appreciate your support.

Vice President
David Klein
I have decided to run for the position of Senator and/or Vice President of the Student Senate. After two years here at RWC, I have experienced and participated in many of the student activities, and want to help with the regulation and improvement of these activities. Also, a number of committees must be able to make important decisions involving the student body, and these decisions will be made to the best of my ability.

Monica Letourneau
I am running for re-election in the Student Senate so I can continue to be actively involved in student affairs.

I have served on the Student Senate and a number of committees such as Kaiser, Budget and Social. Over the past two years, while serving on these, I've found it necessary in all and take a stand. By sitting back, nothing ever gets accomplished.

There is always room for change and improvement in any body, and this includes the Senate. I would like to combine my knowledge of past senate with new ideas to make next year's Senate one that will have both enthusiasm and a great interest in student needs.

I would appreciate your vote on April 24th and 25th. Thank you.

Stacey Wall
I am running for the position of Vice-President of the Student Senate. As an active member of the Senate, I am involved in three college committees; the Library Committee, the Social Committee and the All-College Council to which I was appointed this last semester.

I have had prior experience as a member of the Student Council of high school. With a year on the Senate and three committees, I do think I am qualified for the position of Vice-President.

If elected, I would reorganize the Public Relations Committee and the Social Committee to get more people involved.

So if you are concerned about your student government please vote for your Senate Executive board and me.

Senator
Sue Badamo
I would like to be elected to the Student Senate next year, because I feel I have knowledge and the experience necessary to better the social and academic activities at RWC.

I have served on the RWC Student Senate this past year and have become aware of the areas in the college that need attention. I would again like to try to make life at RWC more pleasant for students both politically and socially. A good way to accomplish this is by voicing the students' opinions on issues concerning clubs and other organizations which directly involve the student body.

I feel that both freshmen and upperclassmen should become involved and interested in college activities. This is a good way to meet new people and to become aware of what is happening around them.

Throughout the past year I have met many students and have realized their opinions on subjects directly related to them. With this knowledge, I feel I can give the students the representation that is necessary.

I would again look forward to donating my time to the RWC Student Senate.

Bart Bauer
I think most people would agree that the R.W.C. Student Senate could be improved. The only question is: How?

I believe that I, Bart Bauer, have at least a couple of ideas, and if I am elected to the Senate, I will work toward carrying them out. I feel there is a definite lack of communication between the student body and the student government. The solution is not a major overhaul of the system, but instead more people involved.

I think that some of the students' wants include: More Senate support of school and social events, both male and female; a better student security system, and better social events - in general, programs that will make the stay at RWC more enjoyable.

I am qualified to be on the Senate and work for these changes, as I have served on the Dormitory Government for the past year, have been on the Student Security Committee, and closely observed the activities of the Senate for the last semester.

If you agree that changes should be made, vote for Bart Bauer for Senator.
more. As example, over the past two months important legislation has passed before the Senate with virtually no interest or awareness shown by the student body. It is apparent that students need a way to voice their opinion. Just as important is that the students have the right to know what’s at their school. This is where, I feel, I can help.

One way to get student input back into the Senate is to have the Senate go to the students. As a Senator I would propose that the Senators attend unit and floor meetings. There they could briefly inform the students what the Senate is doing and find out how the students feel. Getting more student input is what I’d set out to do.

By regularly attending the Senate meetings this semester, working on the Social Committee and Public Relations Board, I feel I have a good understanding of what is happening at RWC. I’ve seen the system in action and I know how it works. Now I’d like to make it work for you. I’ve got the desire, knowledge and ambition to be your Senator. All I ask now is that you give me the chance. Thank you.

Douglas Gingrellia

The RWC Student Senate has suffered from some shortcomings in the past that I believe I can help resolve. The Senate has often worked in a “vacuum”, not really considering the student body as a whole when they make their decisions. This can be seen by their frequent refusal to grant money to viable student organizations that need it. This sentiment is equally important to represent the student body as a whole, to make sure the voice of everyone is heard and acted on as a whole. I have represented RWC the last two years on our soccer team, I am presently Treasurer of Dorm Government and I want to do more for all concerned. I can communicate with people and I want to represent you, the most important thing to do is to vote, express your right to vote, but vote for those who are most qualified. I hope you have the confidence in me to represent you as a member of the Student Senate. Thank you.
Carlos Tosta
My name is Carlos A. Tosta and I am a second semester sophomore in Industrial Engineering Technology. In my platform I will explain why I am running for student senator and what motivates me in being one.

As I expressed myself in my previous platform my main interest is focus towards the benefit of this institution and all types of improvement that can be done so that we can be respected by others and set the example. I still feel the same way, now probably more than ever for now I have the experience of being a student senator and I know how it is and how it works. When I got elected by the students and for the student the first time I said that the students of RWC should work together in entity for a common goal, I also expressed that I would like to see some changes like in our meal plan and get pencil sharpeners and waste paper baskets, etc. Some of these things got done, some didn’t, but it is only up to us that they get done.

It is my desire and I would be very honored to become a student senator once again for the student senate of R.W.C. Let me remind you that I still feel that I am here to obtain an education, to learn, to grow, and mature as we desire ourselves to reach the best things in life.

On my again my first interest that motivates me to be a student senator is working to the best of our abilities for the benefit of the students in any type of issues that matter how big or small it may be so that our institution R.W.C. can be liked by others and be used as an example. Let me say that I hope to see you all April 24 and 25 in the Snack Bar and express the right that you have to vote. Make the best of it.

Jeff Tucker
Hello, my name is Jeffrey Tucker.
Many students know me as "Flounder". I am running for the Student Senate position of Senator. I feel that at this time, the school community deserves to have someone in the Student Senate who get involved. I have been at RWC only 1½ semesters, but in this time I have gotten involved. I have managed the soccer team, been the financial adviser to the frsibke team, the radio station’s accountant and a supervisor for the monopoly marathon. Also played in the intramural sports program here. I’ve played football, basketball, frisbee, and softball. What, you might ask, am I trying to get across to you? That Jeffrey Tucker is a person who gets involved and does not quit.

My major platform campaign promise is to have the Student Senate force all clubs and organizations that receive money from the Senate to write into their individual constitutions a clause that would open communications between clubs. I am saying that, if one club is having an event at RWC, all the other clubs should go out of their way to support this club. I feel this way because, many of the clubs and organizations sponsor events at large variety of cold beers, wines and liquors.

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Don McLaughlin.

RWC and in most cases these events lose money because of lack of interest. I believe it valuable to the students and the community, if all clubs help each other. Because in the end all the people involved are basically going for the same thing, to better themselves and the standard of living at RWC.

In conclusion, I believe that I would be the best choice for Senator because it is the person who gets involved. I know how the student population feels and I would vote according to how you feel. The most important thing for you to do is vote in the next Student election. Get involved, voice your privilege to vote. I want your vote, but I also want to know how you feel on school matters.

Jeff Tucker.

Dennis McLaughlin.

My name is Dennis McLaughlin and I am running for the position of Senator. I will be a junior in the Fall of 1979 and have been a member of the Student Council and Athletic Committee.

My reasons for running are to take care of any requests or complaints that students may have. The allocating of students’ funds I feel should be watched more carefully and I intend to do just that.

Don Ulhig
Personally, I feel the single most important asset a Senator can possess is his or her approachability. By this I mean the case with which a person could approach a Senator and comfortably express his or her ideas on a given subject without feeling uncomfortable. This is an area that I feel I excel in, being easily approachable and also being able to relate to student’s needs.

If elected I could promise that I would be a Senator who would listen to, and act upon any student gripes, complaints or ideas that would be of benefit to the students or the college.

As of how my first priority upon becoming a Senator is to attempt to get more entertainment on campus, particularly on weekends. Another priority of mine will be to insure that there will be no closed Senate meetings or secret ballots, as was the case in the Senate’s Dean of Students search. I firmly believe that anyone who votes should have the strength of his convictions to go public with his vote and his reasons backing it. If a person cannot do this he does not deserve to be a Senator.

One final note, I am not running in this election for any type of ego gratification, nor am I running because I feel the need to have power. I am running for Senate because I would like to serve the people of this school and honestly feel that I can do the job successfully. I need your vote. Thank you.
When provided the opportunity to write about a topic of my choice I tend to focus on doing research and finding information to support my views. On this topic, I am sure of chasing lattice points around an infinite plane. Many arts majors read them. So I shall leave my first love and venture into areas where I believe these lattices have an extremely petulant way across the page.

Before attending Roger Williams College I served for more than 20 years at one college which allowed me to take on a job whose salary is extremely real, vs. a job whose salary is spurious remarks about Dr. Fulton.

The college community lived in great fear that the college would change. Roger Williams College has had a short history with few seem to remember. The college's continuing reputation of years gone by shapes if not pervades the minds of students today. Psychologically, I believe it is similar to being in Northern Ireland where names mean nothing. It is rather difficult to move forward while looking backward. Of course no one idea, to me, is good enough today and one lives today and looks ahead and I wish to write this as a reminder.

From a historic perspective Roger Williams College clearly is an institution in transition. Ten years ago it was a junior college. Two distinct features of that institution included a geographical separation.

Two facilities which were dissimilar in design and scale have joined together on campuses.

The old province from providence engineering technology faculty were recruited and taught at the existing Roger Williams Junior College while the liberal arts faculty were rejected. Unfortunately, I have four year institution with considerably more students, however, the values, perceptions and expectations of these two groups will never be the same. The junior college faculty had to change or be replaced. Happily, they almost all have changed and the divisions are academically stronger than they were in the past.

The academic program which began September 1981 represents a significant step forward. The institution is now more move forward. The process of curricular change in any major is never finished.

**Commentary**

By Edward Wilde, Dean of the College

educational institution is difficult, but we are trying to move forward and have succeeded. The process took some years to develop and is a step toward unity and integration.

During the past three years the academic quality of the student body has been greatly improved. When I arrived for all intents and purposes, the college had a bad administration. Their reputation as being a second class institution was well known. Students did not respect themselves or the institution. Some students actually did themselves a disservice in an immediate environment as well. We have adopted a new admissions policy, which is based on the concept that which are in the college with the problem. Particularly educational programs and resources reasonable can expect to educate, a marked change has taken place. Students with strong weaknesses were not considered so in masses of minority applicants. The program took some three years to deal with a variety of issues and to move forward. The process of curricular change in any major is never finished.

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Disc Hawks Win At Tournament

By Jane Scott

The RWC Disc Hawks had a successful Tournament the weekend of April 7 and 8. Along with the Disc Hawks, two other teams competed; Bryant College and the Disc Devils of Trenton, New Jersey. On Saturday the three teams faced-off for some fast Ultimate Frisbee competition. In the first game RWC played Bryant. The Disc Hawks won 15-6. Todd Menard scored eight of the winning goals as well as one assist. Captain Jim Long assisted five goals and received for one of his own. Craig Case scored one goal and three assists.

In the second game RWC played the Disc Devils of Trenton who nicknamed themselves DDT. The Disc Hawks once again won, 8-6. Todd Menard again showed his value to the team by receiving five of the goals. Craig Case had three assists, and Don Gay and Jim Long each had two. Jerry Harcar of the Disc Hawks played this game as a DDT member because the Trenton team is one that Jerry organized a few years ago in New Jersey. With this second win RWC had won the tournament. So the next game was a relaxed one between Bryant and Trenton.

On Sunday Bryant went home and RWC and Trenton went on to the Folf and Distance competitions. The course for Folf, which is a mixture of golf and frisbee, begins in front of Dorm 2 and ends in front of the Administration building after completing a full circuit of the campus. The targets, marked by red Bud signs, were usually trees and light posts. Wind was definitely a factor for the 16 people who entered. But since they were battling for actual prize money, a total of eight dollars, the players stuck it out. After an extra stop on top of the Physical Plant to pick up a stray shot, Jim Long was the victor with a score of 31 in the final play-offs/claw score win. Don Clay was second with 35. Todd Menard third at 36. Glen Kornichuk fourth at 37 and Peter Heard was fifth at 39.

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Track Team Gets Off to Good Start

By Ben Helman

The RWC Track Club kicked off their season last weekend on a positive note. They defeated Stonehill in both men's and women's competition, showing that the club can hold its own against established teams.

The team edged Stonehill in men's competition by a score of 25 to 20, and in women's competition ran away, 32 to 12.

In individual races, there was considerable excitement abaft in the women's 440 yard relay. Mary Hoffman, Donna Luette, Sepideh Hashemi, and Cathi Coovers combined to edge out the RIC relay team by inches. Mary and Donna kept it close for the first two legs of the race. Then Sepideh caught the RIC runner in the third leg. In the anchor, it went right down to the wire, as Cathi but just enough extra kick to outlast the opposing runner by a narrow margin. The team turned in a respectable 5:7 time.

Next, in the mile, Barry Rothfuss started conservatively, saving himself for the three mile which was to be run later. The pace was sluggish, and a strong RIC runner outkicked Barry in the final quarter. Rothfuss had to settle for a 4:45 second place finish.

John Owen also ran in the mile and stayed in contact with the leaders for most of the race. In the final quarter Owen, in the sixth position, poured on the steam and pulled into a fourth place 4:53 finishing time. John had also an outstanding 69 finishing quarter split as he made his move in the home stretch.

Dave Pallota ran a 5:10 mile, coming in in back of the pack. In the half mile, Joe Fannon placed third with a 2:13.5, Barry Rothfuss placed a close second in the three mile, with a 15:48 finishing time.

Also in the three mile was John Owen, who took sixth (16:50) and Dave Pallota, who finished tenth (17:27). Both should run faster in future races, as they have proven they can in past races.

Dennis Schweitzer took second in both the 120 high hurdles and 440 intermediate hurdles. His 17.1 and 62.5 times were quite respectable, and, with practice, should be improved.

In field events, Dennis took fifth in the triple jump with a distance of 34 feet. 3 inches. Gregg Digivon also took fifth in the long jump, covering 17 feet, one inches with his leap. Joe Fannon tied for fourth with a fine 5'4" high jump.

In women's competition, Cathi Coovers grabbed first in the 100 hurdles (13.3) and 100 yard dash (11.84). Cathi appears to have the ability to run even faster in future races. Sepideh Hashemi took second in the 100 (13.3) and second in the 220 with a fine time of 33 seconds. Sepideh has been steadily improving throughout the season. Also, Donna Luette took fifth and third places in the half mile and two mile, respectively.

Also competing were Paul Nott and Dave cherry, both came close to qualifying for the final in both the 100 and 220 yard dashes. Both have potential and should improve with practice.

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Do you care about your fellow student? Do you respect confidentiality? Are you a non-judgmental and empathetic? If so, you may be the type of person who the Peer Counseling staff of RWC is looking for to join them next year.

The peer counseling staff, a group of students who try to help their fellow students who are having problems adjusting to college life, is currently accepting applications from interested students who wish to be a member of that group next year.

Any interested students can pick up an application form in the Counseling Office, (Dorm 1, Tower Dr.), or Joe Neuchatz's office, CL 104. The selections will be made by the current peer counseling staff, as well as the two directors of the program, psychology professor Joe Neuchatz, and counselor Helen Lieb.

There is no set number of students that will be chosen, but instead, all those applicants that are qualified and possess adequate counseling skills will be welcomed. "A peer counselor is an outreach worker," explained Robert Waller, who is in his second year in the program. "We try to spot students who are having trouble adjusting to school, and we try to help them by talking to them, and occasionally referring them to more qualified help."
International Dinner Is Being Planned

The Spanish-speaking community of Roger Williams College is offering a Spanish Night to all the students and related persons to the school. The event will take place at the cafeteria and the Bay Room. There will be a Spanish dinner offered from 4 to 6 p.m. followed by entertainment in the Bay Room (free) composed of movies, explanations of the south and Central American countries, relationships with the U.S.A. and other interesting points. "The reason for the event is to let the community of R.W.C. know a little more about us, our origin, background, traditions and other issues that might be of great benefit for the community," explained Carlos Tosta, a member of the International Club.

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