

SUMMER 2011

A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Dear Parents,

As another academic year has come to a close, I would like to take a few moments to share some of the many positive outcomes of our spring semester at Roger Williams. In April the Dance Club performed for students, staff, and faculty. In late February and early March the Theatre Department put on their Spring Musical *Lucky Stiff* to positive reviews. The Living Theatre's classic protest play, *Not in My Name*, was staged in April along with a production of *A Patch of Earth*, which focuses on the participation of a young soldier in the 1995 Srebrenica Massacre and the repercussions of his involvement in this war crime. May was a busy time for the music department with the Spring Chorus Concert held on May 8th and 9th and the RWU Instrumental Ensemble Spring Concert on May 16th.

This spring in Athletics, the Sailing team attained #1 national ranking within the Intercollegiate Sailing Association (ICSA) in April and finished the year at #4 behind Boston College, Georgetown, and Harvard. In addition to winning four regattas and four 2nd place finishes this season the team won the NEISA Co-ed Dinghy championships, finished third at the ICSA Co-ed Dinghy Western Semifinals, and is currently preparing for the national championships. Men's Tennis finished their season 17-6 and placed 2nd at The Commonwealth Coast Conference (TCCC). They also won the TCCC Championship 5-1 over Nichols. Women's Track and Field won the TCCC Championship for the second year in a row. Freshman, Meghan Breault accounted for 32 points for the team in the meet. Men's Track and Field won the TCCC Championship for the third year in a row. Graduating Senior, Tom Maybury qualified for the New England Championships in the Steeplechase for the third consecutive year.

This year the RWU Chapter of Alternative Spring Break (ASB) traveled to Fort Smith, Arkansas to participate in Habitat for Humanity. The group of 20 students and 2 advisors worked with other college groups to build homes during Spring Break. Eight student members of the Foundations of International Medical Relief for Children (FIRMC) club and faculty advisor, Professor Kerri Warren, traveled to El Salvador during Spring Break. The group's mission was to provide access to medical care for the underprivileged and medically underserved children; this is the second year that the group has participated in this program. On May 20th both groups shared their experiences with our Board of Trustees.

On March 4th and 5th, 2011, thirty-one Roger Williams University students participated in the "Leadership Institute in Inclusive Discourse" certification workshop on campus. The summit was funded by a RWU Inclusive Excellence mini-grant. It was led by the Sustained Dialogue Campus Network (SDCN). The SDCN is an initiative of the International Institute for Sustained Dialogue, an organization formed in collaboration with the Kettering Foundation. It was founded in 2003 and works with a network of 14 campuses nationally, including Roger Williams University, Harvard College, Cornell College, and Princeton University to name a few. The "Leadership Institute in Inclusive Discourse" is professional training in strategies for effective intercultural communication. This knowledge serves as a foundation for leadership in the classroom, campus organizations, and workplace communities, as well as preparation for lifelong learning in engaging differences as strengths.

At the end of the semester many students received recognition for their academic and co-curricular accomplishments at the Academic Achievement Awards Dinner, Athletics gathering, Student Programs & Leadership Awards and Team Care. Included in the awards received were the Core Values Medallions presented to 12 graduating seniors at Commencement who best exemplified the core values of the university.

This year Roger Williams University conferred more than 1,016 degrees during the University's 2011 Commencement exercises on Saturday, May 21, 2011. The keynote speaker, Rhode Island Senator, Sheldon Whitehouse, gave a motivating speech on perseverance, forging your own way, and overcoming life's obstacles. Although we had to say goodbye to so many talented students, we are looking forward to welcoming in a new first-year class of approximately 1,200 students and collaborating with all of our returning students throughout this coming academic year.

I hope you enjoy your last edition of this newsletter for the academic year as well as your time at home with your student this summer. We eagerly await their return in August!

Sincerely,

John J. King, Ed.D
Vice President – Student Affairs



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PARENTS ASSOCIATION UPDATE

Hello!

Thank you to all those parents who volunteered at our Admissions Event this year! As we look forward to a busy summer of planning please send any feedback to me regarding your thoughts and ideas for the Roger Williams University Parents Association. I would really like some ideas regarding the Parents Association meeting during Family and Parent Weekend. Agenda topics for the meeting, as well as, parent/family activities that you would like to see during that weekend would be greatly appreciated.

We will be looking for volunteers to help staff our Family Lounge during Move-In-Weekend for new students and their families. If you are interested in volunteering please let me know. Your role would be to mingle with families and answer any questions they may have as their students register and prepare to move in! I will be sending out more information about this volunteer opportunity soon.

Sincerely,

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SPRING STUDENT EVENTS: STUDENT PROGRAMS AND LEADERSHIP UPDATE



The Spring Semester has been eventful due to collaborations with Clubs and Organizations with support from the Department of Student Programs and Leadership. This semester saw continued excellence in programming, campus traditions, and community service programming that benefited our student body.

Our students have worked to promote Community Service through their student clubs and organizations. The Alternative Spring Break Club spent their Spring Break as part of Habitat for Humanity's Collegiate Challenge, 19 students and two advisors travelled to Fort Smith, Arkansas. The group spent the week working on two homes, primarily putting on roofing and siding. Led by Dr. Kerri Warren, 8 members of the Foundation of International Medical Relief of Children (FIMRC) chapter traveled to El Salvador during Spring Break. FIMRC's mission is to provide access to medical care for the millions of underprivileged and medically underserved children around the world.



The Inter Class Council (ICC) with support from other clubs and organizations held the 2nd Annual 'The Cake Off' a community service program that benefitted the Dana Farber Cancer Research Center. This program allowed 50 teams of 3-5 to channel their inner Ace of Cakes and decorate a cake in 30 minutes. This event raised over \$2000 for the Dana Farber Cancer Research Center.

The Asian Student Association working with the University Community worked to make 1000 paper cranes to sell to benefit the Tsunami Disaster in Japan. These students worked tirelessly to complete this task and were seen selling their creations at Global Fest, in Dining Commons and at other campus events



The Inter Residence Hall Association (IRHA) was awarded the North East Affiliate of College and University Residence Hall (NEACURH) Sub Regional Meeting in March. NEACURH currently represents approximately 45 member schools throughout the Northeast, and as an organization, we focus on 4 major areas: Programming, Leadership, Recognition, and Communication. IRHA won a bid to coordinate this weekend drive in conference that allowed NEACURH member schools to focus on these areas and network with other students from across New England.

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IRHA members volunteering at the 10th Annual Bristol Parks and Recreation Easter Egg Hunt held at Blithewold Mansion and Garden

Photo provided by <http://bristol-warren.patch.com>

Special Delivery, one of RWU's A Capella Groups, was invited to perform at the Providence College Invitational Concert. Special Delivery invited several groups and performed with Hawkward (the newest A Capella Group on campus) for their Annual Spring Concert. Both groups have been busy this semester performing at athletic events, concerts and student events this semester.

The Campus Entertainment Network (CEN) ended the semester with our Pirate theme Spring Weekend, an annual event that the student body looks forward to. With over 1500 students in attendance, our co-heading tour of Third Eye Blind and Lupe Fiasco brought the crowd to its feet with an outstanding show. The Block Party on North Campus featured rides, carnival games, carnival food, and live music and dance performances; this was a great way for our students to enjoy the beautiful weather and the hard work of CEN. The weekend wrapped up with Fireworks over the Mount Hope Bay, a wonderful tradition to this exciting weekend.



The Department of Student Programs wants to thank all of the students who assisted in putting on over 150 events during the Spring Semester. Students interested in getting involved and leadership opportunities should visit the Department of Student Programs and Leadership, located in the Campus Recreation Center. Staff members are accessible by emailing studentprograms@rwu.edu or calling (401) 254-3088.

RWU HOSTS FIRST “LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE IN INCLUSIVE DISCOURSE”



On March 4th and 5th, 2011, thirty-one Roger Williams University students participated in the “Leadership Institute in Inclusive Discourse” certification workshop on campus. It was led by the Sustained Dialogue Campus Network (SDCN). The SDCN is an initiative of the International Institute for Sustained Dialogue, an organization formed in collaboration with the Kettering Foundation. It was founded in 2003 and works with a network of 14 campuses nationally, including Roger Williams University, Harvard College, Cornell College, and Princeton University to name a few.

The “Leadership Institute in Inclusive Discourse” is professional training in strategies for effective intercultural communication. This knowledge serves as a foundation for leadership in the classroom, campus organizations, and workplace communities, as well as preparation for lifelong learning in engaging differences as strengths. The students were sent a pre-reading packet that consisted of the history of the program and an excerpt called “The Complexity of Identity: ‘Who Am I?’”, to be read prior to their attendance at the workshop.

The first day began with a high-energy module to become familiar with everyone that participated in the event. During that session students were able to gain valuable conflict resolution skills and discuss differences in modes of discourse. Then, the group had dinner while getting familiar with the Sustained Dialogue process and campus network, and participated in dialogue circles. The next session involved a discussion with a panel of RWU students, who previously attended this workshop, and their experiences in organizing dialogue on campus. The last session involved an exercise where individuals

were able to walk in someone else’s shoes and prepare the students for conversation in the sessions of Day 2 of the workshop.

Day 2 began with a session on “Inclusive Language” where students learned to build a learning environment where people feel that space is open and inclusive. Next was a session on “The Big 8 Dimensions of Social Identity.” During this session, students reflected on previous activities and talked about the categories of identity many people lack a comfort with in public discourse. The students then worked with the five elements of a relationship to strengthen dynamics in the classroom, community, and the workplace. Students worked on facilitation methods and tools, including asking strong, inclusive questions, so that they are confident leading unpredictable conversations. After lunch, the last session involved practicing the 5 stages of Sustained Dialogue with a small group, and also planning on improving, facilitating, and problems on campus.

Most of the students felt that the last session talking about how to make RWU a more inclusive campus was the most powerful and stimulating. The students who participated wanted to form a club on campus that would take this method of sustained dialogue and create their own dialogues on campus on topics that they choose.

Some student feedback on this workshop included: how they learned how to become more active listeners, how to better communicate with others, how to ask questions effectively, how to react and analyze the different viewpoint of others, and to use Sustained Dialogue to address issues on this campus.

Since the Summit there has been a committed group of students who continue to meet and are forming a Sustained Dialogue Club on campus. We are all very excited about the potential for this club and how it will help students find a meaningful place for important conversations around inclusion.

By Kathleen McMahon
Dean of Students
Adviser to the Sustained Dialogue Club

INTERCULTURAL CENTER



Intercultural learning and preparation to live in a global society has never been more important than today. This spring, students and staff at the Intercultural Center have had many exciting collaborations for civic learning and global living. The university's core value of civility was combined with a remembrance of Dr. Martin Luther King legacy of civil rights and service. The Intercultural Center's "Acts of Civility and Kindness" campaign was launched. The Intercultural Center initiative launched the campus-wide collection of the many random acts of civility and kindness that are prevalent in our community. The acts were collected and displayed on our campus Awareness Wall accompanied by a beautiful collage display that illustrated civility and historic figures. The campaign was featured in the Hawk's Herald newspaper.

This semester's World Theater program, in partnership with the Multicultural Student Union, featured a local belly dance group which performed for a highly engaged audience. After the performance, the audience was led through an instructional segment to learn this beautiful art form. The Multicultural Student Union continued its popular "Discourse on Diversity" series and explored many nuances of race and provided an open forum for provocative discussions. Celebrations of the Lunar New Year and Lotus Lantern Festival incorporated a harmonious gathering highlighted by lantern crafting, origami figures and delectable food. This year the traditional Soul Food Dinner incorporated a live jazz band which performed during dinner. A workshop incorporating a performance based play by the Theater for the Deaf allowed the audience to participate in silent communication. The annual fashion show paid tribute to many talented local designers and emphasized popular trends. Funds were raised and donated to the St. Jude Children's Hospital.

National events highlighted the importance of inclusive campuses and our LGBT Club "S.A.F.E." (Sexual Advocacy for Everyone) cosponsored a dynamic series of events for Pride Week this year. The week was started with an "End Hate" campaign, followed by the Day of Silence campaign, and Knock Out Homophobia events. The Pride flags and an Awareness Wall served as vibrant reminders of the need for strong allies to the LGBT community. Pride Week's finale included a visit of a Los Angeles based comedian and community educator, D Loko Kid, a transgender performance artist, who was warmly welcomed by an enthusiastic audience.

"Let this space be a place that all can reflect, find peace of mind, and solace" were the sentiments echoed in the prayer blessings shared



Association and the Newman Club.

The Bridge to Success (BTS) mentoring program brings together Roger William University undergraduate mentors and local high school student for tutoring and college exposure. High school students visit our campus regularly. The Law school visit allowed the high school students to experience a mock class and interact with law students and faculty. The Engineering campus visit provided the mentors and mentees with the opportunity to compete in a challenge that incorporated project planning and teamwork. The Athletics visit showcased our facilities as well as opportunities set up for student athletes. Planning is now under way for an engaging and interactive BTS Summer Institute.



There were many spring highlights for international students as well. Students enjoyed a trip to see The Lion King. The overnight ski trip to Waterville Valley was a hit as many students learned to ski or snowboard. International students participated in "Global Fest," which was a full day of international festivities and a chance for students from around the world to share their culture. We had a huge turn-out and students enjoyed the international cuisine, dancing performances, and professional Chinese fan dancers. This term five students participated in the "Hour With" series sharing the culture, history and geography of Ghana, Kenya and Hong Kong with the campus community. We ended the spring with a trip to Six Flags amusement park where students were able to just relax and have fun.

As this academic year comes to a close, don't forget the Intercultural Center welcomes visitors all year round. Stop in for a tour and you will notice the wall mural of a world map. At first it appears to be decorative, but it fosters a special and surprisingly frequent exchange. It is here that at any given time there are two students pointing to different continents, sharing where they are from, connecting perhaps the Middle East & Asia with their shared new common experience.

Walk a Mile in Her Shoes...



From left to right: Mark Deering, Jake Daponte, James Lawrence, Kyle Warner, Alexander Newton, Dan LaBonte, Mike Dierksen, Jake Fisher, Tony Montefusco, Patrick Stoller-Sepeck, Dailen Williams, Travis Cournoyer, David Galante, Christian Martinez; (Front row): Gil Caspi and Griffin Labbanace

Ever wonder what a group of college men might look like dressed up in red high heels? Ever wanted to know how you might be able to help survivors of domestic and sexual assault? Ever wonder whether or not it's possible to raise over \$800 in one afternoon? Well, on Wednesday, April 20, 2011, members of the Roger Williams community had the chance to find answers to those very questions at RWU's first-ever on-campus "Walk A Mile In Her Shoes" event.

Co-sponsored by The Women's Center and RWU's men's group, The Locker Room, "Walk A Mile In Her Shoes" is a fund raiser designed to help collect money for organizations that provide support and assistance to victims and survivors of gender-based violence. This year, our benefactor was the Rhode Island Crisis Assistance Center—an organization that provides counseling services, shelter, educational speakers, and various other forms of support to many individuals and families across the state. Thanks in large part to the dedication of Jen Stanley (director of both The Women's Center, as well as the Office of Residence Life), our campus has maintained a strong relationship

with the RICAC through the Women's Center's leadership and participation in the "Silent Witness" program.

For two weeks leading up to the actual "Walk A Mile" event, men from The Locker Room collected change and various donations from their friends and classmates on campus, as well as dedicated their time to promoting the event across campus. Wednesday afternoon began with a welcoming reception and opening remarks in the Mary Tefft White Center. Guest speaker James Lawrence, an anti-violence educator and volunteer victim's advocate, inspired the audience with powerful words regarding his own personal journey as a man working to end violence against women. Approximately 30 to 40 RWU students and staff showed up to support their friends and colleagues who had volunteered their time to participate in the walk, and a total of 15 men from the RWU community (including one alum) donned various styles of women's footwear.

Walk a Mile cont.



Once Lawrence successfully amped up the audience's excitement, the "Walk A Mile" group began their trek through campus. Beginning on the library's front steps, our men circled through campus, collecting many fans and rounds of applause along the way. Upon returning to Mary Tefft White, awards were given out to the men for a variety of superlatives. "Best Dressed" went to a group of gentlemen (Jake Fisher, Jake Daponte, Mike Diercksen, and Mark Deering) who sported black leotards much like singer Beyoncé in her "Single Ladies" music video. "Most Money Raised" went to Director of Housing Tony Montefusco, who individually raised over \$300 for the event. A final count of all donations was done the day following "Walk A Mile," and our men raised an unprecedented total of over \$800 for the Rhode Island Crisis Assistance Center.

The Locker Room and The Women's Center hope to make "Walk A Mile In Her Shoes" an annual tradition on campus. For more information on RWU's men's group, please contact Laurel Dreher at ldreher@rwu.edu. For more information on RWU's Women's Center, please contact Jen Stanley at jstanley@rwu.edu. For more information on the Rhode Island Crisis Assistance Center, please visit www.ricrisis.org.



ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK

Students Trade Textbooks for Toolbelts

For many it felt like the semester had just started, but Spring Break was finally here. The vans were packed and it was finally 4:30AM on Saturday, March 12, 2011. After five months of fundraising and preparing 19 students were leaving for Fort Smith, Arkansas to donate their time to working on a portion of a house for Habitat for Humanity.

Each year Roger Williams University's Alternative Spring Break Club has gone to an impoverished area in the south to work on a Habitat for Humanity site. Over the years the program has become large enough to accommodate two trips, a smaller trip consisting of roughly 12 students during the winter break to Mississippi and the larger trip during Spring Break where the location changes. During these trips students are challenged to go out and learn something they would not normally have the opportunity to do—many had never held a hammer before! In addition to learning a few handy skills students are also granted the opportunity to meet the family that they are working on the homes for. Students are invited to speak with the family and hear their stories about how they have had to work to continue supporting their family and provide for them when times become difficult.

In Fort Smith the site had two incomplete houses on them. One that needed the siding put on it and the other

that was ready for the tresses to be raised. The group immediately got to work laying hay around the site and siding the house. By the end of the four days spent there, one house was completely sided and the other house was completely roofed and half shingled. The time spent in Fort Smith was not strictly spent working, during down time the students had the opportunity to learn about Fort Smith culture. One morning was spent at the Fort Smith Historical Site, a museum that documented the history and significance of the area.

Meals throughout the week were donated by local businesses and churches doing their part to support and appreciate the students and their hard work. Many meals were started with a blessing, and a thanks for the students donating their time off from academics to volunteer efforts. The appreciation was not isolated at the meals, at a local rodeo the group was recognized and granted the opportunity to ride the horses at the end of the evening.

After seven days the students had been exposed to hard work, hard times, but most importantly extreme appreciation and recognition. Over the coming years the group would like to grow and provide more students with the opportunity to go somewhere they normally would not and try something new.



DINING'S NEW 125 BLOCK PLAN

Students and parents are faced with many decisions that will influence their experience at Roger Williams University. When it comes to dining, we partner with Bon Appétit Management Company to offer healthy, flavorful and sustainable meals on campus. Roger Williams University cares about student well being and supporting the local community. We believe that choosing a student meal plan for the Fall, 2011 semester will bring value to our students' daily dining experience in many ways.

With the increasing cost of food and transportation, Dining has had to raise the Upper Commons door prices for the upcoming 2011-2012 academic year. To keep costs down for students we've developed a new 125 Block Plan—an enhancement to the original 100 Block Plan with 25 extra meals, \$100 extra Hawk Dollars, and the price has remained the same! The plan is ideal for apartment dwellers who want to eat an average of 7-8 meals per week on campus and use \$400 in Hawk Dollars throughout the semester, and also comes with 3 guest passes per semester. The plan costs \$1,665 per semester.

A student's time in college is one of the most informative, transformational and memorable periods of his or her life. That's why Roger Williams University and Bon Appétit partner together to provide dining services that not only help our students eat well for their personal health, but also for the community and environment.

To sign up for your meal plan, login to your MyRWU account, click on the 'Services' tab, and on the left side you will see "Modify my Housing Plan"

For more information about Bon Appétit visit www.bamco.com

Find RWU Dining on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bonappetitrwu

Center for Counseling and Student Development

The Center for Counseling and Student Development is committed to educating the campus community on a wide variety of topics. The PEER program run by the Counseling Center consists of 9 dedicated student leaders that participate in a training program to become more knowledgeable in areas of mental health. This group aims to empower students to take charge of their emotional wellness. At times, the PEERs provide workshops on ways to de-stress, while at other times, they are finding ways to collaborate with programs on campus to highlight and reinforce positive messages. For example, this spring the PEERs provided information about body image and healthy eating during lunch hour at the Commons. In addition, the PEERs participated in the Educational Expo hosted by the Women's Center and provided information about healthy relationships to the university community.

The PEERs also worked with the Counseling Center Staff to provide screening programs on topics such as alcohol, depression and anxiety. These screenings allow students an opportunity to complete a brief survey and receive immediate feedback from a counselor on these topic areas. These screenings provide an opportunity to receive suggestions on how to improve one's own wellness

by finding better ways to manage stress. The screenings are offered once a year though a student can complete any of the screenings at any point throughout the year at <http://www.rwu.edu/studentlife/studentservices/counselingcenter/>. In addition, the Counseling Center continues to offer weekly mental health tips on the daily dose that can also be accessed anytime throughout the academic year at <http://www.rwu.edu/studentlife/studentservices/counselingcenter/resources/mhtips.htm>. You can find helpful information on many topics including, but not limited to, adjusting to RWU college life, depression, anxiety and overcoming procrastination.

Our services are confidential which means we cannot share information about the fact or nature of students' visits to the Center without their permission. However, as a parent you are welcome to call us to share your concerns or to consult with one of our counselors. All full-time and residential undergraduate students are eligible for all of our services, free of charge. The Center for Counseling and Student Development is located on the 2nd floor of the Center for Student Development and we may be reached at (401) 254-3124.

HEALTH SERVICE

RWU Health Service is a full service ambulatory care site on campus available to all fulltime day students. I encourage you to check out our web site for specific details. <http://www.rwu.edu/studentlife/studentservices/healthservices/>

Looking forward to the Fall semester this is a gentle reminder to all returning students.

1. Students should carry a current private insurance card and have a copy on file at Health Service as well.
2. Information about Student insurance will be mailed to all students in July.
3. If a student expect to play a sport during the 2011-12 academic year, an updated physical will be required. This is best done over the summer break. Please contact Athletics for details.
4. Non athletes are only required to have the initial admissions physical.
5. The past couple years we have had busy influenza seasons. We highly encourage and we will have the influenza vaccine available at Health service in the Fall.
6. Remember that Health Service is a great resource for wellness; in particular we have smoking cessation counseling and reduced cost nicotine patches for any student seeking help with smoking cessation.

Students Appreciate Staff

It's not easy keeping campus clean. We often take for granted the hard work that goes behind the pristine beauty of Roger Williams University. It is not every day that students recognize the staff members that are devoted to making it that way. The National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) is a student run organization of the top 1% of college students nationwide. Their purpose is to recognize other great achievements on campus. Every year, NRHH sponsors a 'Custodian Appreciation Day'. This year the students stepped up their gratitude. In addition to the annual banner signed by students across campus, the dedicated members of NRHH woke up before the sun to surprise the University Facilities staff. NRHH members set up a breakfast buffet of coffee, donuts and bagels from a local and favored shop in town. It gave the opportunity for students to mingle and truly thank these unsung heroes for a job well done. The University staff members were gracious and even expressed thanks to the students in return. While it may have been just one morning, it brought smiles to every face. Moments like this make Roger Williams University the caring and committed environment for which it strives.



Career Fair 2011

On March 30th, the Career Center hosted the 15th annual Career Fair. Even with a “down economy”, the Career Fair was able to sell out all of our spaces with employers offering full- time post-commencement opportunities, part-time off-campus jobs, summer employment and internships. We also had a number of graduate schools showcasing their programs. To ensure student participation, the Career Center sponsored a “friendly” competition between the classes, offering to co-sponsor a class event for the class who had the largest percentage of their classmates participate. We also gave out free t-shirts, staffed tables in the Common, hung door tags on residence’s doors and more. This netted us a student participation of 465 students who were able to network with the 80 vendors. The Career Center started the day with a faculty/employer luncheon where 30 RWU employees enjoyed a buffet while networking with our guests to let them know about our terrific students. We are already recruiting for the 2012 Career Fair and hope to see you all there.



HireElements recruiting our students at the Career Fair

Winter Externship 2010

Our goal was 40. That would have more than doubled last year’s number of externs. We expanded the program from two schools to all schools. Every student had an opportunity to participate in this job shadowing experience this January. How’d we do? You tell us. We had 108 students participate. 108!! We had 157 students apply, 121 get placed and 108 actually participate. We went from 14 employers last year to 62 employers offering opportunities, and 58 actually hosting. Many employers offered multiple externships, so in total we had 126 externship completed.



Amber Brown anchors with Frank Coletta

SPRING CAREER CENTER EVENTS

2/16 Art & Architectural History Career Panel

3/2 Science and Math Career Panel and Reception

3/15 Gearing Up for the Educators Job Search

3/23, 24, 28 All Day Resume

3/30 15th Annual Career Fair

4/11 GSB Networking Reception

4/19 RICE Education Career Fair

4/26 Careers in Higher Education Panel and Reception

Every Tuesday and Thursday 1:00-4:00 Employer-in-Residence

Every Wednesday at 2:00 Fireside Chat

Here is what some of the students had to say about their experiences:

“I learned how much I enjoy my major as well as sharing my knowledge with others”

“With knowledge I gained at RWU, I can handle a career in this field”

“I learned that by graduation I will be prepared to go into my field of study”

“I am happy with RWU for giving me the proper education and I now know that I am in the right field”

2011 COMMENCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS



ATHLETICS

Dave Kemmy to enter NWCA Hall of Fame

BRISTOL, R.I. The National Wrestling Coaches Association has announced Roger Williams University head wrestling coach Dave Kemmy has been selected as a member of its Division III Wrestling Coaches' Association's Hall of Fame Class of 2011. Kemmy's outstanding contribution to the sport of wrestling as a coach will be recognized in the induction ceremony, March 10, prior to the NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships in LaCrosse, Wis.

The LaCrosse Center Ballroom will serve as the site of the induction, beginning at 6 p.m. with a social gathering, followed by a dinner and induction at 6:30 p.m. Kemmy will be joined in the class of 2011 by former wrestlers Zack Kallai, Jason Ott and Nick Fornicoia, coaches Steve DeVries and Gene Nighman and significant contributor Terry Shockley. The 2011 induction class will also be recognized during the Grand Marshall/Opening Ceremony portion of the national tournament.

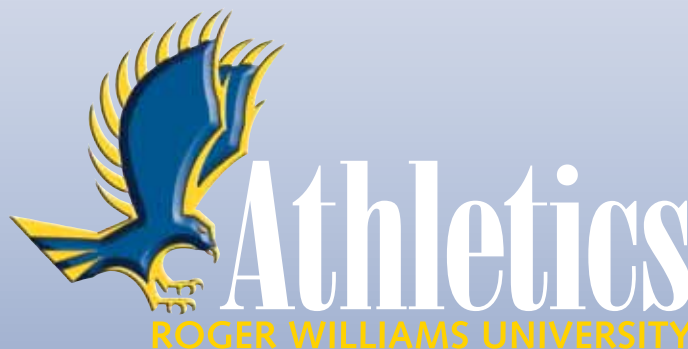
"This is quite a humbling honor to say the least," Kemmy stated. "There are lots of people to thank for such an honor including all the current and former wrestlers, assistant coaches and parents who have been so supportive of me and my staff throughout the years. To reach the National Wrestling Coaches' Hall of Fame takes the effort of many people and I am very grateful for all the help and support I have received."

Kemmy has been a strong contributor to the sport of wrestling over the course of his 30-plus years as coach and administrator. His outstanding efforts have been recognized by numerous organizations including his 2002 induction into the Rhode Island Wrestling Hall of Fame. The following year he was inducted into the Bristol Athletic Hall of Fame. In 2009 he was selected to enter the New England Wrestling Association Hall of Fame.

In 2003 he was appointed Chairman of the NCAA Division III Wrestling Committee and also was appointed to a four-year term on the NCAA Wrestling Committee which oversees all the Divisions. For the past four years he has served the NCAA as an Evaluator of the Officials at the NCAA Division I Championships. In 2005 he was honored by the National Wrestling Coaches Association for his 25 years of service to the sport.

He continues to serve as the New England Wrestling Association's Secretary and Reporting Director and is Secretary of the NCAA Division III Wrestling Coaches Association. Since August of 2007 he has served on the National Wrestling Coaches Association Executive Committee as the Division III representative, a term that ends in August of 2011. In 2009 he was chosen to serve as a mentor in the NWCA coaching Leadership Academy. For the past 15 years he has served as Commissioner of the Pilgrim Wrestling League.

Upon his appointment as RWU head wrestling coach in 1994, Kemmy made an immediate impact, earning NCAA Division III National Rookie Coach of the Year and New England Rookie Coach of the Year. Overall he has guided the RWU Wrestling team to a 243-158-7 record for a .596 winning percentage. He has led the team to five Pilgrim League titles while guiding four wrestlers to All-American status. Off the mat, his program has ranked among the top-25 nationally in team grade-point average nine of the last 10 years. His wrestlers have earned Academic All-Americans 25



ATHLETICS

Sailing ranked first in nation for first time in school history

MIDDLETOWN, R.I. – For the first time in the history of the program, the Roger Williams University Sailing team is the ranked first in the nation, according to the collegiate rankings as determined by Sailing World.

Roger Williams is coming off a successful month of April that saw the team win the New England Coed Dinghy Championship, in addition to the Central Series Four and the Friis Trophy. The Hawks also placed second in the Kreuger Cup, the Central Four, and the Gibb Trophy.

Sailing World's college rankings, presented by Sperry Top-Sider, are determined by an open coaches' poll. The number of first place votes a team received is in brackets. This is the fifth ranking for the Spring 2011 season, based on results through April 17.

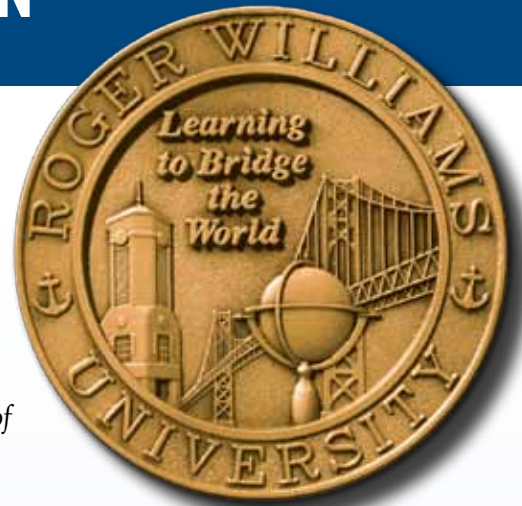
Sailing World Rankings as of April 21

Rank	Team	Total Points [First-Place Votes]
1.	Roger Williams [6]	374
2.	Georgetown [6]	371
3.	Charleston [6]	356
4.	Boston College [1]	353
5.	Brown [1]	319
6.	St. Mary's	304
7.	Harvard	289
8.	Navy	239
9.	Hobart/Wm. Smith	231
10.	Stanford	216
11.	Yale	201
12.	Tufts	184
13.	Rhode Island	121
14.	Old Dominion	117
15.	Connecticut College	108
16.	Wisconsin	74
17.	Miami (Fla.)	69
18.	SUNY Maritime	56
19.	Boston Univ.	45
20.	MIT	32

Also receiving votes: Vermont (25 points), Dartmouth (24), Cornell (19), UC Santa Barbara (15), South Florida (13), Eckerd (9), Coast Guard (9), Miami (Ohio) (7), Washington College (6), Southern Cal (3)

PRESIDENT'S CORE VALUES MEDALLION

The President's Core Values Medallion was established in 2007 to recognize those graduating seniors who best exemplify the core values of Roger Williams University. The students awarded this honor have truly embraced the University's core values: *love of learning as an intrinsic value; preparation for careers and future study; collaboration of students and faculty in research; commitment to community through service and sustainability; appreciation of global perspectives; and promotion of civil discourse.*



The University President, working in concert with each of the schools, selected the Presidential Award honorees. Honorees will be presented with a unique medallion – depicting the core values – framed in a commemorative keepsake. The medallion is identical to the one worn by the University President as part of his presidential Commencement regalia.

Please congratulate the award recipients.

Sierra A. Helm – School of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation

Astrid P. Morales – School of Continuing Studies

Kevin Michael Danaher, Jr. – School of Education

Brittney Marie Sullivan – School of Engineering, Computing and Construction Management

Molly Bancroft Gessford – Feinstein College of Arts and Sciences, Humanities and Performing Arts Division

Rachel Ann Ricciardi – Feinstein College of Arts and Sciences, Math and Natural Sciences Division

Courtney Julianne Costello – Feinstein College of Arts and Sciences, Social Sciences Division

Casey Lyn Aiello – Mario J. Gabelli School of Business

Winston Beyan Smith – School of Justice Studies

Melisa Ivette Carrasquillo – At Large

Chi-Thien Lam Nguyen – At Large

Justin K. Reyes – At Large

Roger Williams University Department of Public Safety

A Message from the Director of Public Safety

The Department of Public Safety would like to welcome all new transfer, international and returning students to Roger Williams University for the fall 2011 semester.

At Roger Williams University, we are committed to your safety and well-being. The Department of Public Safety's mission is to enhance the quality of campus life by providing a safe and secure environment for the campus community. Public Safety is available year round 24 hours a day, seven days per week. The combination of our beautiful location and our continued commitment to keeping students safe makes Roger Williams University one of the safest campuses in New England.

The department's 24 full-time staff members – including an Interim Director/Associate Director, a four member command staff and 17 patrol officers - are trained to enforce campus rules and regulations as well as local, state, and federal laws. Officers patrol all properties owned by Roger Williams University 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on foot, bicycle or motor vehicle. We monitor the premises at fixed posts which include monitoring the Main Entrance to the campus. Some of our services include building checks, campus security patrols (foot, bike and vehicle patrols), traffic and parking enforcement, campus-wide crime prevention, Emergency Medical Technician services (EMT), courtesy transports, shuttle transportation to and from scheduled locations (both on campus and off campus properties). Public Safety also investigates a wide variety of incidents.

The department is led by Interim Director/Associate Director, Pam Moffat-Limoges, who has more than 23 years of Law Enforcement experience. Over the past three years, Interim Director Moffat has led the Department of Public Safety in enhancing the quality of campus life through the creation of a safe and secure environment for all students, faculty, staff and visitors. The task of maintaining a safe and secure environment conducive to the living, learning, working, personal growth and social interaction of everyone can only be attained through a collaborative effort involving the entire University Community.

Our presence is felt throughout the university community and we are always willing to assist anyone

in their time of need, which is illustrated in our motto of, "In Service of the University".

"At RWU, Public Safety is Key. In case of Emergency just dial 3!" You may call (401) 254-3333 or 3333 from a campus phone

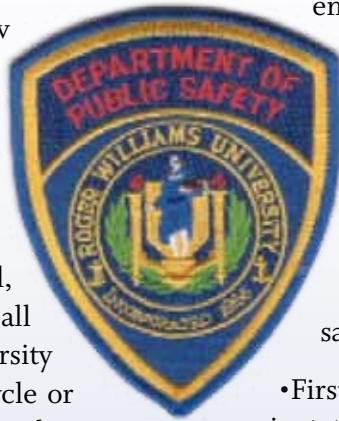
Crime Prevention

Public Safety has various programs that are designed to inform students and employees about campus safety procedures and practices. These programs encourage students and employees to be responsible for their own personal safety.

- The University has established a standing Safety Committee to assist in reviewing, recommending and establishing policies, procedures and practices. The committee is made up of staff. An example of an on-going review is lighting surveys and occupational safety hazards.
- First year students are provided a security orientation program as well as material advising them of precautions they should follow to help avoid becoming victims of crime on the campus.
- Staff members are provided with public safety information at the new employee orientations which are held for new university staff and faculty members once a month.
- Crime prevention information and personal safety classes and programs are presented to student and staff groups throughout the year. Example: personal safety tips and theft prevention practices.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to report any suspicious activity to:

- Public Safety at (401) 254-3333 or dialing 3333 from a campus phone
- Resident Assistants (RA's)
- Bristol Police Department at (401) 253-6900 (campus and Town of Bristol related emergencies)
- Portsmouth Police Department at (401) 683-0300 (Town of Portsmouth related emergencies)
- R.I. State Police Portsmouth Barracks at (401) 849-4444



Department of Public Safety cont.

Public Safety – Bristol Campus

- Non-Emergencies (401) 254-3611
- Crime Prevention (401) 254-3212
- Campus Emergency Information (401) 254-4400 or 4400 from a campus phone (campus emergency notices, cancellation of classes and other significant events on campus, etc.)
- Shuttle Services (401) 254-7333 or 7333 from a campus phone

Public Safety – Providence Campus

- Providence Metro Campus (401) 276-4830

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THINK OF YOUR RESIDENCE AS YOUR HOME!

“Be Aware, Be Safe, Be Respectful and Secure your Doors”

BE AWARE:

Students should think of their residence rooms and halls as their home while living at RWU.

- Would you leave your front door at home unlocked when leaving?
- Would you allow a stranger to enter your home without any question?
- Do you prop any exterior doors of your home and leave them unattended?

Don't allow tailgating:

This is allowing strangers to follow you into your residence hall or campus home. If people have reasons to be in the residence halls, they should have their own access cards or call someone who will give them access. Just say NO to tailgaters in order to maintain a safe and secure residential environment.

Be Safe:

Don't hold the door open for strangers.

Allowing strangers into the residence halls only serves to jeopardize safety and security at RWU.

Never prop open exterior doors:

This action endangers everyone in the residence halls and any propped-open doors should be immediately secured and reported to Public Safety and or Residence Life.

Never lend keys.

Do not lend your keys, ID card, or electronic access card to anyone, even a friend. Not everyone will take the same care as you would.

Be Respectful:

Don't damage or mistreat any RWU property. We have a beautiful campus at RWU and let's keep it that way by being respectful and responsible with any and all RWU property. Immediately report any acts of vandalism to Public Safety.

Lock doors, Lock doors, Lock doors:

Nearly all reported burglaries within the residence hall apartments involve unlocked doors. Whenever sleeping or stepping out of the room to visit the bathroom or hallway friends, lock the door! Locking your room door is the best deterrent to theft in the residence rooms.

At Other Locations on Campus:

- Never leave valuables in plain view or left unattended.
- Valuables should not be let in plain view in public places or vehicles and never left unattended.
- Secure your bicycle at all times.
- Buy a good lock and use it (“U-locks” are recommended). Record your bike's serial number.

Crime Reporting

One of the functions of the Department of Public Safety is the generation of reports and documentation that reflects the current status and historical data of the University related to campus security and safety. The reports includes crime statistics, policies and procedures, and other information designed to inform students, employees and visitors about prevention of crimes and how to respond if a crime occurs.

Please visit Public Safety on our RWU website at www.rwu.edu/about/administration/publicsafety/

Thank you and welcome to RWU,



Pamela C. Moffatt-Limoges

Interim Director/Associate Director of Public Safety

If you know others who would be interested in receiving this newsletter, or care to change your email address, please send current email addresses to advancement@rwu.edu

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