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Cold spell causes two pipe breaks in one week

Several breaks each winter not unusual according to Physical Plant

by John Valerio
Executive Editor

Two broken pipes in heating units last week, one in the Financial Aid Office and one in the bridge between the Student Union and the Fred J. Donovan Dining Center, brought the total number for the season to three. But that figure is about average, according to an official from the Physical Plant.

The first break occurred in the John E. Fogarty Life Science Building at the beginning of the semester.

"We pride ourselves on only having two or three breaks," during the winter said James Bucci, Assistant Director of Facilities and Operations at the Physical Plant.

"It's not something unusual for a facility this size," he added.

Bucci said that breaks also occur in the residence halls during the semester break, when no one is in the buildings and would notice the change in temperature in the rooms.

The break in the Financial Aid Office happened mid-afternoon on Tuesday in a heating unit located just inside the entrance. Water flowed out into the hallway leading to the office.

"Were just fortunate it didn't happen over someone, or over important files," Jim Hanbury, Director of Financial Aid, said. He added that the office would remain open as usual. Because the heating unit was isolated, the rest of office still has heat.

Bucci said that the breaks occur when water stops circulating in the heating coils and freezes. He added that a pipe can freeze in less than an hour, before the temperature in

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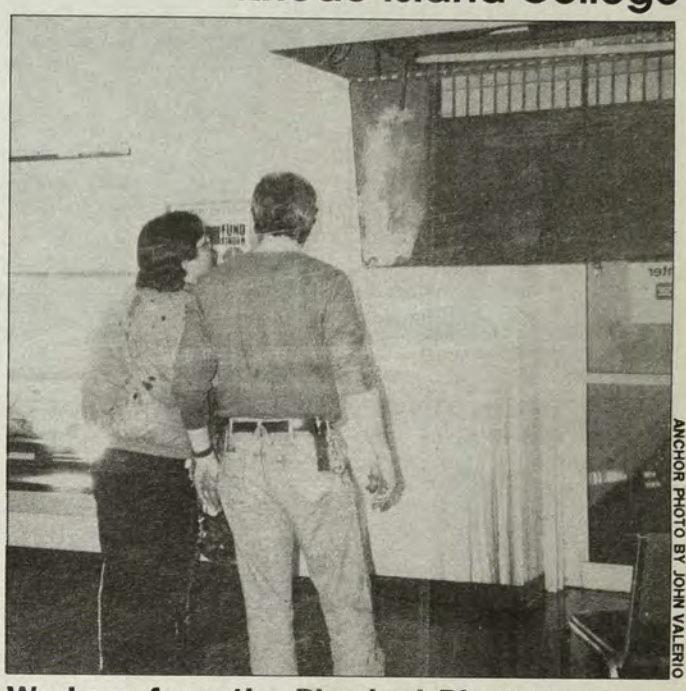

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Workers from the Physical Plant examine a broken heating unit in the Financial Aid Office last Tuesday afternoon. Additional photo page 2.

RIC reworks 'reduced' tuition policy, expanding territory and eligibility

Starting with the first summer session enrollment in June, RIC will further expand its special "reduced" tuition for bordering cities and towns in Massachusetts and add part-time and non-degree students, as well as graduate students to the list of eligible candidates.

In the past only full-time undergraduates had been offered the opportunity. The new Metropolitan Tuition Policy statement offers in-state tuition rate plus 50 percent to residents in cities within a 20-mile radius of the college. (See list page 4.)

Since 1982, RIC has provided the reduced tuition rate to Massachusetts residents who resided in a formally designated U.S. Census Bureau location, the first of which was outlined as the Providence Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area and later changed two years ago to the Metropolitan Statistical Area. This year, in order to provide equitable treatment to those students from cities and towns bordering Rhode Island, who could get caught up in a change once again with the census designation, the College sought and won approval from the Board of Governors for Higher Education to redefine the territory of inclusion base on distance from the city of Providence, especially a 20-mile radius, according to William Hurry, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid. The policy was approved on Jan. 11.

"This eliminates any confusion in the definition of metropolitan areas," Hurry said. "More significantly it opens the door for part-time undergraduates, non-degree students and all graduates students living in the 20-mile radius to take advantage of the in-state tuition plus 50 percent rate."

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Student government looks to fund computer information system

New 'kiosks' will offer access to news on campus events, course changes and other announcements

by John Valerio
Executive Editor

Student Community Government Inc. is planning to fund a campus-wide information system featuring computer terminals in three buildings that will offer access to news about campus events, course schedule changes and more.

At last Wednesday night's meeting of Student Parliament, SCG President Jay Carreiro outlined the proposed system. A computer, probably to be housed in the Computer Center, will act as a server for the three computer terminals, one each located in Dennis J. Roberts Hall, the Student Union, and William C. Gaige Hall. The information will be stored on a World Wide Web page and will offer users the ability to connect to the Internet and to the college's VAX system, according to Carreiro.

The proposed plan will also include several television monitors featuring scrolling information on college events. The monitors will also carry video feeds of campus events, productions by RICTV and video projects by communications students. Carreiro said that these monitors would most likely be located in the Donovan Dining Center and in the CoffeeGround with the possibility of additional monitors located in the same buildings as the computer kiosks.

The computer system will most likely be run out of the Computer Center, while the video monitors will be controlled from the Television Studio located in the rear of the James P. Adams Library.

SCG is also planning on soliciting advertisements to run on the video monitors. While the system will be administered by the college, SCG will receive all revenue brought in from the advertisers, Carreiro noted.

Carreiro received a positive vote from Parliament to go ahead with the project. Funding for the project must now be approved by SCG's Finance Commission. Total cost for

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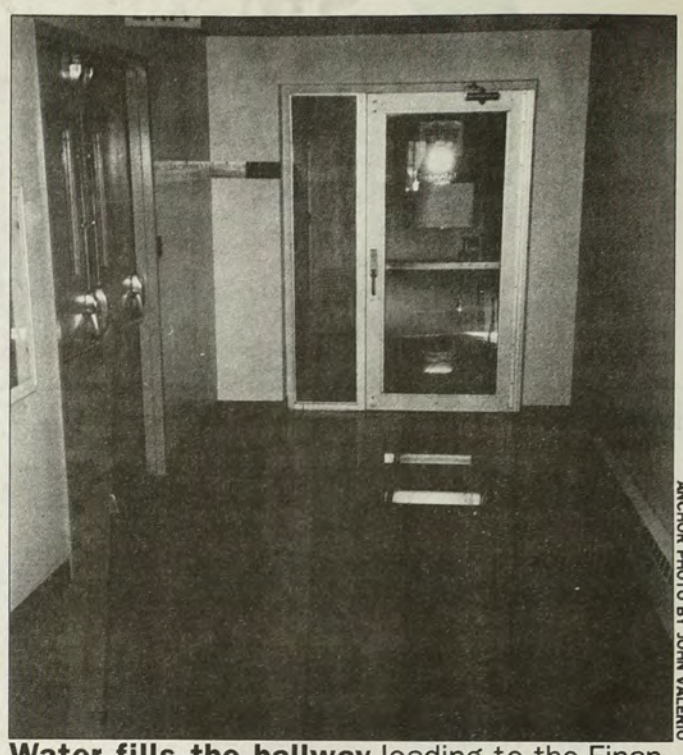
the room has dropped and would alert someone that the heater wasn't working.

"We do our best to see that all of the dampers are operating," Bucci said. In addition, the Physical Plant also changes the filters on a regular basis, he said.

Bucci said that there was very little that members of the campus community could do to prevent a pipe break in a area where they work.

"Usually it's an equipment malfunction... and you have to realize the equipment on this campus is pretty old," he said.



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Water fills the hallway leading to the Financial Aid Office last Tuesday after a pipe broke in that office.

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Catholic Campus Ministry

Mass at St. Thomas Church on Fruit Hill Ave. (down the street from the college), Saturday at 5 p.m., Sunday at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. A group of students will be attending the 10:30 a.m. mass; all are welcome to join us. Meet at 10 a.m. outside Sweet Hall.

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the system is expected to reach close to $28,000, Carreiro said.

Also at the meeting:

•Carreiro noted that WXIN's joint venture with the Wheeler School to share the 88.1 FM frequency was moving forward and "should become a reality," in the next few weeks. The station's signal will reach much of the state.

• The Traffic and Parking Committee has tentatively made an arrangement with campus officials to allow resident students to park overnight in the first three rows of J-Lot (the large parking lot bordering the former Walsh Gym).

• Treasurer Chris Petrarca announced that Finance Commission Budget Hearings would be held on Feb. 18 and 19. All organizations funded through SCG are required to attend the hearings.

• Two new organization constitutions were accepted and one constitution was changed.

The International Socialist Organization constitution was approved as much discussion. The group has been meeting on campus since last semester, but some members of Parliament felt the group was seeking recognition in order to function as a meeting place for off-campus members. While officers and official members of the group must be RIC students, it appeared that the majority of the people attending the group's meetings would be from off-campus.

According to one of the members of the group, not a RIC student, the only other school in the state with a branch of the organization was Brown University.

Two other members, who represent resident students on Parliament, mentioned that several had said they felt they were being "harassed" by members of the group who sell newspapers at the entrance of the dining center.

Whether or not the group will receive funds from SCG is unclear, because SCG does not fund religious or other groups who are not open to all Student Activity Fee Paying members, like fraternities and sororities. The group contended that anyone could be a member, whether or not they believed in the Socialist ideals.

The Sociology Club had their named changed to the Sociology and Justice Studies Club to reflect changes in the department and the curriculum.

The constitution for the Class of 1998 was approved with little discussion.

• Terrence Powers, Vice President and Chair of the Public Relations Committee, said that SCG will hold an 'Meet SCG Day,' on March 29, offering students the chance to meet with Student Parliament officers and members. The committee is also planning placing a two page advertisement in The Anchor featuring photographs of all the members and statements of the group's mission.

• The minutes of the Finance Commission meeting on Feb. 1 were approved. The Latin American Students Organization was allocated $3,000 to bring in a Latin American dance group from New York to perform on Feb. 24. The group is expected to return $1,000 of the money allocated through admission charges.

African-American History Month

Monday, Feb. 13
Panel: Africa and America: A Post-Emancipation Comparative.
12:30 p.m. Gaige 307

Tuesday, Feb. 14
Lecture: "Positive Force: Neighbors in Action Facing Drug Fixation." Rev. Michael Spruill.
1 p.m. SU Ballroom

Tuesday, Feb. 14
Video: *Like Water For Chocolate*
7 p.m. SU Video Den

Wednesday, Feb. 15
Lecture: Dr. Virgil Wood. "Racism: A problem we can solve. How?"
4 p.m. Faculty Center

Wednesday, Feb. 15
Dinner at Red Sea restaurant
6 p.m. Meet in SU parking lot

Friday, Feb. 17
Field trip: Flow Garden Restaurant, Providence. For ticket info call 456-8006.
6 p.m. Depart from SU

Saturday, Feb. 18
R.I. black Heritage Ball. Westin Hotel, Providence. For ticket info call 751-3490.

Monday, Feb. 20
Candlelight Vigil against racism
6 p.m. Gaige steps

Monday, Feb. 20
Gospel concert: Traditional and contemporary soloists and choirs.
7 p.m. Gaige Aud.

Tuesday, Feb. 21
Video: *Cabin In The Sky*
7 p.m. SU Video Den

Wednesday, Feb. 22
West African Dance Workshop. Learn basic movements and meanings.
3 p.m. SU Ballroom

Thursday, Feb. 23
Wiley Memorial Lecture. Annual History Department tribute to a noted Rhode Islander. TBA

Friday, Feb. 24
Experience Latin America: Latin American Dance Co. of New York. The excitement of Latin rhythms with roots from Africa. For ticket info, call the L.A.S.O. office at 456-8285.
7 p.m. Gaige Aud.

Monday, Feb. 27
Lecture: "Africa: Our Motherland." Dr. Apollos Nwauwa.
2:30 p.m. The Unity Center

Monday, Feb. 27
International Potluck Reception
3:30 p.m. The Unity Center

Tuesday, Feb. 28
Harambee Cabaret: Drama, jazz, fashion, and talent. For ticket info call the Harambee Office at 456-8085.
7 p.m. Gaige Aud.

A month-long exhibit will be set up in James P. Adams Library.

Donovan Meal Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast	Pancakes w/ Fruit Baked Ham Home Fries Grapefruit	Texas Style French Toast; Sausage Links Homefries Pear Halves	Belgian Waffles Bacon Homefries Honeydew Melon	Croissant Sandwich Canadian Bacon Homefries Sliced Peaches	Omlettes Sausage Patties Homefries Cantalope
Lunch	Chicken Chow Mein Fried Rice Oriental Vegetable	Meatloaf w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Buttered Corn	Sante Fe Chicken Rice Pilaf Whole Green Beans	Curried Beef w/Noodles Steamed Rice Winter Blend Vegetables	Open Face Steak Baked Potato Peas
Specialty	Manicotti /Ziti w/meat suace	Pepperoni & Veg. Pizza	Chef's Special	Chicken Shortcake	Wings, wings, wings
Meatless	Manicotti	Vegetable Pizza	Middle East Favorites	Greek Delight	
Dinner	Beef Tips with mushrooms Buttered Noodles Chopped Broccoli	Stuffed Chicken Russet Potatoes Country Blend Vegetables	Lasagna Peas/Mushrooms Garlic Bread	Corned Beef Cabbage Potato	Baked Scallops Rice Pilaf Asparagus Spears
Specialty	Stir Fry Beef & Veg	Shells/Meatballs/Ravioli	Pepperoni & Veg. Pizza	Manicotti/Spaghetti/Meatball	
Meatless	Egg Roll	Potato Bar	Pizza	Manicotti	Grilled Cheese
Deli		Vegetable Pocket			Super Sub
Salad	Oriental Express	Middle East Favorites	Country Style Julienne	Greek Delight	Classic Antipasto
Grill	Garden Burger Deluxe	RIC Chicken Deluxe	Bacon Burger Deluxe	RIC Rib Deluxe	Shaved Steak
Dessert	Carrot Cake, Chocolate Chip Cookie	Valentine's Dessert Fresh Pies	Cheese Cake, Whoppie Pie	Chocolate Cake, Fruit Squares	Fresh Pie, Oatmeal Cookies

Inquiring Photographer asks...

Who's your dream Valentine?

Aline Piscopio, sophomore, Elem. Ed., "Christian Slater!"

Jay Walker, junior, Performance Theater, "Probably be Mariah Carey. She will be mine...oh yes...she will be mine."

Julie McGetrick, junior, Communications, "My dreamy boat Valentine fantasy would have to be Nash Kato of Urge Overkill. Dreamy...Yum!"

Stephanie Santos, sophomore Communications, "I hate Valentine's Day. I'm boycotting it."

Alan Laflamme, senior, Philosophy, "Every coed on campus!"

Forrest Gump Says:

"Being a Resident Assistant is like a box of chocolates: You never know whatcha gonna get."

The Office of
Residential Life and Housing
is seeking qualified applicants for anticipated R.A. vacancies for the '95 - '96 academic year. Interested candidates should pick up an application at The R.A. Interest Day in Donovan Dining Center on Tuesday, February 21th from 10am -6pm. Applications will be available only during this time! Questions? Call The Office of Residential Life and Housing at 456-8240.

College expands 'reduced' tuition policy

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(The current in-state tuition and fees are $2,838. Out-of-state student expenses are $7,162. Residents in the newly expanded territory pay $4,023. Rate is based on the 1994-95 tuition and fees schedule.)

"This is a substantial savings for families with college students living in nearby Massachusetts," he said.

"It is our policy to assist in helping families and their students reach their goals. RIC has become known as the college of opportunity and this new policy will allow us to offer more opportunity to more students, whether they are just stating their education or are planning post-graduate studies."

Part of the rational for the inclusion of part-time students is that increasing numbers of students enroll full-time, switch to part-time status the next semester or year, and return later as full-time. "Now those students affected by the new Metropolitan Tuition Policy will be allowed the freedom to make financial and other life decisions without negatively impacting their college experience or expenses," Hurry said.

In addition, he said, the value of having out-of-state students at RIC is important to the overall educational experience of all the students. With about 93 percent of RIC's students living in Rhode Island, the out-of-state enrollees "bring an additional diversity of interests, experiences and values to the community, which ultimately enriches the lives of us all."

Cities included in new policy

Attleboro	Millville
Bellingham	Norfolk
Berkley	North
Blackstone	Attleboro
Dartmouth	Norton
Dighton	Plainville
Douglas	Raynham
Easton	Rehoboth
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Opinion

Keeping your sanity when it all falls apart

Commentary

by Al Tyas
Anchor Staff

Did you ever just have one of those days? A day when nothing goes right, and by the evening things are so bad that you just want to crawl under a rock but are afraid to because the rock may fall on you as a grand finale? I hope I'm not the only one who has ever experienced this, but I doubt I am.

By thinking back on one particular day I had, I was immediately inspired to write about the horrible experiences thrown at me. I'd like to share this day with you all, and I'm sure people will identify with it. Maybe I can draw up some solutions to the problems without being crushed by a rock.

Scenario: Second week of class, Monday, 4 p.m. I realize there is no way I can afford to buy my books in the campus bookstore (I'm not alone yet). I just started work, and I'm not getting paid for weeks and have 35 cents to my name and a credit card that, of course, the bookstore does not accept. So instead of selling my blood, I decided to take out a cash advance with my credit card. I put the card in the ATM machine and typed in my PIN number. Suddenly, the machine went nuts. I expected it to blow up. Instead, it sucked in my card and ate it ! The machine, however, was polite enough to tell me in a little receipt that it ate my card (DUH!). So there goes my only source of income due to me pushing one wrong key. That sucked. Of course, I call my credit card company, who tell me to call the bank. And I call the bank, who tell me to call my credit card company. It became almost as bad as an afternoon at the Dept. of Motor Vehicles downtown excluding the wonderful woman who always screams, "GET BEHIND THE LINE!" Well, the result is, I'm powerless, broke and four chapters behind in my seminar class. Am I alone?

So I humbly decide to give up and go to work. I'm a supervisor at a kitchen and there's never a dull moment. It was 7:15 P.M., time to close up. A drain in the dishroom decided to back up and the room fills up with chicken gumbo soup. Once again powerless, I watched in awe as the floor drain upchucked gallons and gallons of chicken, broth and rice slowly forming a small lake in our dishroom. I simply stood there in my trusty white apron and Angels baseball cap (hoping at least they would help me) and hopelessly watched Lake Chicken Gumbo quickly form into Chicken Gumbo Sea. I never saw anything like it, and it is permanently etched into my memory. Creepy.

So my day resulted in poverty and a sea of gumbo. I'm sure no one had a day exactly like this one, but I'm sure everyone can identify with crappy days when it all falls apart around you. But what can we do to get out of the dumps ? I guess it varies from person to person. Some laugh, as I do, yet some mourn, and that's O.K. Yet I think we can always find solutions if we focus less on the problems. In some of these experiences of "hell day" I found solutions, in others I am still looking. I was able to borrow some money for my book from a friend, so at least now I'm no longer behind in my class. I'm broke now, and I accept it. And the lake in the dishroom was completely out of my hands, no solution. I could only put it into the hands of the one mighty being who can solve this tragedy. The one we all turned to in this crisis. The one who saved us. Yes, the all-mighty plumber. Problem solved, yet not by me.

As I think back to that day and others like it, I realize I have one thing that keeps me going. The prayer that I learned not long ago. It helps me, and maybe it can help you.

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I can not change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

If this doesn't help, just be glad you're not up to your ankles in chicken gumbo. Things could be worse.

Inkspill piece "not so" comedic

Letter to the Editor

Editor,

I am writing you at this time to express dissatisfaction over the "not so" comedic column, "Dear Annie," by John Converse, February 6, 1995. This is a college newspaper, there has to be some kind of responsibility and maturity somewhere in your office. It is not "funny" to mock a very serious disease like AIDS. How can we, you (sic) print something like this, and I quote: "If you sit on the same toilet seat as an AIDS person then you get AIDS. One day your taking a sh-- in a public bathroom, the next day your dying in a hospital bed." You, the author, or publisher, are treating this disease like some Stupid (sic) "frat party" joke. Grow up, please, AIDS is real pain, not really funny. I think that the Anchor owes a rebuttal and an apology to it's readers. I trust that you will take this letter seriously.

Sincerely disgusted,

William Marrapese
Senior

Editor's note: Mr. Converse's piece appeared in our 'Inkspill' section of the paper, which is set aside for satire including cartoons and text piece. The piece pointed out the irrational fear, homophobia and ignorance many people associate with AIDS and the people with the disease.

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Wrestlers looking for silver lining

by Vin Lunney
Staff Writer

They know they're losing. They know they are heading for the New England Regionals with a 3-14 record, and that at any match they might have to forfeit at least eight points. Yet these grim numbers are merely facts in a record book rather than fates written in stone.

As Scott Carlsten, Assistant Coach of the wrestling team, says of the team's chances of walking away with another championship, things are starting to look good. What you have to keep in mind is that when you make it to the Regionals, you can have the worst record in existence and still walk on to the nationals. That's because what matters in wrestling is how you perform in the Regionals. That's where you find out if you're a national contender."

The Anchormen have been grappling with a number of deficits this year, the least among them being the loss of experienced wrestlers due to graduation.

"We've had to forfeit a number of weight classes because of not having somebody who could wrestle in that division,"said Carlsten.

"We've also been lacking a steady lineup, but that's coming together now, and the team needs that mental edge because it takes it's toll on you, knowing that you're going to be handicapped."

The team is recovering from a devastating loss to the Coast Guard Academy last Tuesday night. (2/7).

"They were just killing us on the legs," said Carlsten, noting that this was once again a case of going up against a team with more experience and depth."Basically, they were riding us.

"Keep those elbows in !" Carlsten instructs the team during practice. The wrestlers get into positions, one huddled under the other and pinned by the legs. Typically, what a wrestler will do in this position is grab his opponent's leg from the outside. By keeping the arms pinned in, a wrestler has a better chance of upsetting his opponent's balance.

It's moves like this that Carlsten hopes will improve the Anchormen's chances at Bridgewater (2/11) on Saturday. "This is going to be a completely different team than the one they faced before. I think they're going to be surprised."

The Butler is doing it

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comment on that, he smiles and replies, " I know other teams are keying on me, especially in the tough games against the really good teams. But I take that as a challenge; I know I have to go out there, have fun, and play the best I can."

An avid college basketball fan, Alex watches Division I games whenever he gets the chance, and learns from viewing the athletes. He notes that the major difference between Division I and III players lies in the speed and strength of the athletes. Although he sometimes wonders what it would be like to play at a school like Syracuse or Michigan, Alex is very happy at RIC. " I like the atmosphere here; everybody knows everybody, and you're not just a number. It's a more personal environment than at the Division I schools, where if you're a scholarship player, they basically own you."

Alex also feels fortunate to be close to home, so he can stay in touch with friends, and see his close-knit family." My father never misses a game; he's really my best friend. Sometimes he gives me advice, and helps me see parts of the game that I miss when I'm caught up in the action."

The Butlers instilled in their three children (Alex has two older sisters) the importance of obtaining an education, and taught them the elusive skill of organization and time-budgeting. Alex grew up recognizing that he had to keep his grades up if he wanted to continue playing basketball. Those lessons have stayed with him. "I'm not going to the NBA; I'm playing here (at RIC) because I love it. But the most important thing to me is my education. I turned down a couple of other schools because they didn't the strong Physical Education department that we have here, and that's what I really wanted. I want to teach Phys. Ed., and probably coach basketball and volleyball, as well, and that's why I'm here." Alex goes on to note with great pride, " I *never* miss class. In three semesters, I've missed only two classes, and one of those was because I was sick, the other after we returned late from a road trip and I was exhausted."

Alex would like to see more people come to the Anchormen games, pointing out that playing their home games at another school's gym has been difficult. "We don't play this game to be flashy or get on t.v. We play here because we really love the game, and it would be exciting to see the school back us. I think things will be better next season, when we move into the new gym on campus. Definitely, our best days are ahead of us."

When thinking of a way to end our interview, I ask Alex what his career highlight has been to this point. Pausing to consider for a moment, he smiles and confidently shakes off the question like one of his hapless opponents and asserts, " I'll have to hold off on that highlight question; I'll wait until we bring a Little East Championship to RIC."

Women's softball readies for season

On Thursday, February 16, a meeting will be held in the Rec Center lobby for those interested in joining the women's softball team. The informational session will take place at 5:45 pm. For additional information, please contact Ed Vaillancourt in the Athletics Dept. at 456-8516.

Fundraiser for spring training

In March of 1995, the team will be traveling by van to Myrtle Beach, S.C., for Spring Training. Unfortunately, this trip's expenses cannot be entirely funded by RIC Athletics.

As a solution to this problem, the team decided to conduct fundraising, which included the design and selling of t-shirts, and operating concession stands at the home athletic events. Although both ventures have proven successful thus far, we have not yet generated an adequate amount of money.

In order to reach our goal, we are asking for any donations or contributions that you may possibly want to make. Whether it be $5, $10, or $20, it would be a tremendous help in supporting our efforts. With a $15 donation, you will receive a t-shirt which our team designed. Please specify size.

For more information, call theAthletic Depart. at 456-8007.

Who has 1995's healthiest heart?

by Adam S. Alper
Sports Editor

In an effort to encourage health and physical fitness, the American Heart Association, and the Rhode Island Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Health have united to establish the 1995 Healthiest Heart Awards. Nominees, who may enter themselves, or be entered by someone else, must demonstrate consistent physical activity and weight maintenance, a healthy diet, and additionally, be a non-smoker. Moreover, nominees should be able to elaborate on how they influence others to seek healthy lifestyles. Recognition from the AHA and the Governor's Council will be given to those who meet the criteria.

Nominations are due by March 15, 1995, and should be sent to: Tammy Monk, 1995 Healthiest Heart Award, American Heart Association, RI Affiliate, 40 Broad St., Pawtucket, RI 02860.

Further information can be obtained by calling Kendall Sheldon of the RI Governor's Council at 277-3442, or Tammy Monk of the American Heart Association at 728-5300. Copies of the application are available at the Anchor in room 308 of the Student Union (456-8280).

The time is right to jump ship and join The Anchor

We're looking for writers, photographers, artists, and design staff right now!

Stop in to Student Unioln room 308 any time, or beter yet, come to one of our meetings: Monday nights at 7 p.m. or Wednesday afternoons at 12:30 p.m.

See you there!

Rec Center news

by Jodi Johnson
Staff Writer

Spring splash scheduled

Who needs Spring Break to have fun in the water? The Rec Center will take care of all your swimming desires with Spring Splash . Students will have the opportunity to get a T-shirt by spending at least 15 hours in the pool between February 20 thru April 14. (That's less than 2 hours and 10 minutes per week!)

Swim better and stronger

Put a new sense of power into your swimming workouts! The Rec Center will conduct a Stroke Efficiency Clinic on Tuesday, February 21 from 1 to 2 p.m.

This one hour workshop will offer video-taping and stroke critique, instructions in the use of fins and hand paddles to increase muscle strength, and sample workouts to improve speed and endurance.

Members age 17 and older are welcome. Sign up at the front desk.

Tinman Triathelon coming to REC Center

The Tin Man Triathelon is coming to the Rec Center February 28, March 1 and 2. Events include swimming, running and biking. T-shirts will be distributed to the winners.

For more information on any of these programs, please contact Alan or Janice at the Rec Center (456-8227/8238), or stop by the front desk.

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Sports

The Butler is doing it

Sophomore Alex Butler part of foundation for RIC basketball teams of the future

by Adam S. Alper
Sports Editor

Last year, he was the Little East Conference Rookie of the Year; recently, he was named the Conference Player of the Week. Virtually every time he steps on the court, he further establishes his reputation as one of the bright, young stars of Division III basketball. East Providence native Alex Butler, a 6'3" sophomore guard, is the leader of a very young, talented group of players in the process of building a potential Championship-caliber basketball team at RIC. Intelligent, confident, skilled, and above all, a tireless worker, Butler has taken the Conference by storm, and has no intention of letting up until he helps bring an L.E.C. Title to RIC.

First introduced to basketball by his father at the age of six, Alex took to the sport very quickly. " Every Saturday morning I'd wake my father and say, ' Let's go to the gym!' We did that every Saturday until I was 11 or 12, when I joined a CYO league." A former basketball and football coach, Alex's father taught him the fundamentals of the game, emphasizing to him the importance of understanding the basics first, and then learning the flashy plays.

Alex continued playing basketball, and later picked up volleyball, a sport which he finds somewhat similar to hoops, in that both are fast and exciting by nature. He played on the varsity teams for both sports at East Providence High, where he would earn All-State Honors in each. Despite the enjoyment he found in volleyball, Butler realized during his senior year that he would have the opportunity to play basketball at RIC, and opted to concentrate more heavily on developing as a player, pushing volleyball aside.

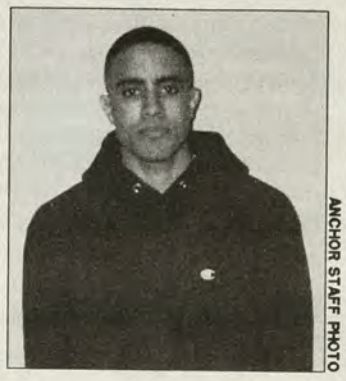
Upon arriving at RIC, Alex made an immediate impression on Coach James Adams and his staff. He was put in as a starter from the beginning, and responded by making it clear that he would be an impact player for a long time to come. As confident a person he is, not even Alex expected the early prosperity he enjoyed.

" It's all really shocking; I didn't expect success to come that quickly," he says. " But I started the first two games and scored 23 and 24 pts. respectively, and that was a real confidence booster. My coaches also gave me a lot of confidence by giving me the playing time and sticking with me. Starting me right away helped me more than if I was on the bench watching; I would've been more likely to doubt myself."

Many 18 year-olds have enough difficulty adjusting to their first year in college, never mind starting on a team against older, stronger, and more experienced athletes. But Alex, along with fellow freshmen Sean Siembab and Michael Marques, flourished. " We're young, and every game has been a learning experience. But we've been allowed to make mistakes, and we're learning from them...We've had to learn the fundamentals more, and understand how to play an all-around, team-oriented game."

An affable, relaxed person, Butler says he changes his personality quite a bit when he steps on the court. " My friends say I'm like two different people," he grins. " I like to have a good time, but when I'm in a game, I'm dead serious...The way I look at it, I work really hard two hours a day at practice, and stay in shape, and I don't want to feel like I'm wasting my time; I'm out there to win."

That statement brings up a distinct characteristic in Alex's personality: his leadership ability. His upbeat demeanor, intelligence, and work ethic make him a natural. " Whatever the team needs, I'll do it. I don't care if that means I only score 5 pts., as long as we win.



ANCHOR STAFF PHOTO

Alex Butler

That's the most important thing...I think that's how to lead, by example, and be vocal, when needed; I feel like I have a lot of responsibility on my shoulders, and I like that. I'm a leader, not a follower"

As his notoriety around the Conference has grown, so too has the attention he receives from opposing defenses. Despite that, Alex has continued to develop, already surpassing many of his totals from all of last season. With a total of 89 rebounds (an average of 4.9 per game), he is on pace to surpass last year's total of 104. His 50 assists and 2.8 per game average have shattered last season's totals of 39 and 1.6, respectively. He is just two steals away from matching his 1993-94 total, has seen his average minutes played jump from 19 to 32, and has obliterated his scoring numbers, accumulating 432 pts. and averaging 24 pts. per game (as opposed to his rookie total of 410 pts. and average of 16.4 per game).

But the numbers which are really startling are his season highs. In the 1993-94 season, Alex's best single-game point total was 26, against UMASS - Boston, and his best rebound total was 9, versus Salve Regina University. This season, he amassed *35 points* and *13 rebounds* in one game. Moreover, those numbers came against the University of Southern Maine, long a Little East powerhouse. Clearly, Alex has at a young age become one of the rare players who takes his game to another level when the competition is intense and the game is on the line. When asked to

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Anchorwomen move record over .500

Victory over Nichols brings winning record for first time in a month

by Adam S. Alper
Sports Editor

Following a disheartening loss to UMASS-Dartmouth on February 7, the RIC women's basketball team handed Nichols College a decisive 87-45 defeat just two days later. The win upped the team's record to 11-10, pushing them above .500 for the first time since January 7, when they owned a 5-4 mark. Typical of their gutsy play all season, the Anchorwomen rebounded from the previous game's disappointment to re-establish their place in the Little East Conference. Emerging victorious against Nichols was particularly important, as they prepare for the final ten days of the regular season. Three games remain, two against Little East opponents (UMASS - Boston, 2/11 and Western Connecticut, 2/14), before the quarterfinals of the Conference Playoffs on February 21.

UMASS-Darthmouth 66
RIC 59

If ever there was a game characterized by a Jekyll and Hyde effort, this was it. The Anchorwomen went to halftime with a 30-25 lead, only to collapse in the second half. Particularly revealing were the teams' statistics for each half. UMASS shot only 25.7% from the field in the first half, but came back strong in the second, hitting on 48.4% of their shots. They improved from the line, as well, shooting 50% and 57.9%, respectively.

RIC moved in the opposite direction, going from a 34.4% field goal mark in the first half to just 24.3% in the second. Their 3-point shooting, normally a strong suit, was off as well; they only sank one of eight long-range attempts. Claudia DeFaria led the team with 17 points and 12 rebounds, and freshman Amy Hoxie-Quinn established season-highs in scoring and rebounding with 13 points and 7 boards.

RIC 87
Nichols 45

RIC roared back into action against Nichols College, blitzing their 4-14 opponents with a 51-22 halftime score; the final count would be 87-45. The Anchorwomen's scoring touch was back, connecting on 45.9% of their field goal attempts. Three players, Claudia DeFaria, Valerie Verducci, and Nicole Dziok, reached the 20-pt. mark. Verducci's 23 pts. were a season-high for her; the talented guard from East Greenwich was also quick on defense, registering 5 steals. Amy Hoxie-Quinn, perhaps sparked by her strong effort against UMASS, was again a force, eclipsing her personal-best in rebounds (set in the previous game), with 10; she split evenly between offensive and defensive boards, illustrating her willingness to work both ends of the court. DeFaria added 15 rebounds and 8 assists to her 20 points, and Tamie Drape had possibly her best overall game of the year; she was a stellar 5-5 from the line, hauled in eight rebounds, scored 11 points, assisted on five scores, and harassed Nichols with 7 steals on defense.

Game highs

Points: Verducci- 23
Assists: DeFaria- 8
3-pointers: Verducci- 1
Free Throw %: Drape- 100%
Free Throws: Dziok- 8(7-8)
Field Goal %: Verducci- 83.3%
Rebounds: DeFaria - 15
Steals: Drape- 7
Blocks: Drape- 2

Sports Schedule

HOME GAMES IN CAPS

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Wednesday, February

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Women's Basketball
WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE U.
5:30 pm

Men's Basketball
WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE U.
7:30 pm

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Women's Gymnastics
at Southern Connecticut State U.
7:00 pm

16

Men's Basketball
NICHOLS COLLEGE
7:30 pm

17

Women's Gymnastics
SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE
7:45 pm

18

Women's Basketball
at Rivier College
1:00 pm

Men's Basketball
at S.U.N.Y.- Stony Brook
5:00 pm

Men's Wrestling
at New England Championships
10:00 am
(continues Sunday)