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African-American History Month Gets A Warm Welcome

By: Andrea J. Stewart
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"When we come to it / We, this people, on this wayward, floating body / Created on this earth, of this earth / Have the power to fashion for this earth / A climate where every man and every woman / Can live freely without sanctimonious piety / Without crippling fear / When we come to it / We must confess that we are the possible / We are the miraculous, the true wonder of this world / That is when, and only when / We come to it."

The words of Maya Angelou, evoked by Ore Ogunlesi of the Class of 2002, began the Opening Ceremony of African-American History Month at Rhode Island College. Angelou penned the words to "A Brave and Startling Truth" in honor of the 50th anniversary of the United Nations. Unity was, of course, a central theme of the ceremony.

A blend of all different races, ages, and lifestyles filled the Unity Center on Wednesday, February 5th, during the free period. Administration, including Vice President for Student Affairs Gary Penfield, were on hand, as well as various faculty members. Members of Amnesty International, OASPA, and Harambee were in attendance, and actively participated in the ceremony. The moves of RIC's own Sizzlin' Soul Steppers caught the attention of passersby, and the crowd swelled with growing interest.

"For me, the opportunity is to learn something new this month, and use it in a constructive way," explained Penfield, who was selected to deliver some opening remarks.

Reflecting on the past is an important aspect of African-American History Month. The past has had an enormous influence on present culture and ideology. As Sharon Mazyck of the Career Development Center points out:

"I am who I am because of who they were. [The month] is not about us, it's about them."

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Where Da Noise, Where Da Funk?

By: Caroline Francis
Anchor Contributor

With brown, cardboard boxes, drills and screws, and two signs saying "ON AIR" that haven't yet glowed with the red heat of fire, the noise has been quieted, and the funk has yet to be funky.

And so, in an effort to discover why the fire hasn't burned through the letters "ON AIR" since last May, I toted my pursuit of funkiness over to the new building on campus called the Media Center. Soon enough I found what I had been looking for.

No—it wasn't a troop of tall, lean, remarkably skilled dancers pounding out steps to the beat of urban music. (You can imagine my disappointment.) I did find, however, the funk for which I had searched—and it lay in quiet anticipation throughout the studio of WXIN.

That's right; our college's student-run radio station is the place I was searching for. The reason I'd lost da funk in the first place is because it had been relocated. That's right—packed up, shipped out, packed up and shipped out again, and now it's found a home. WXIN had moved from the Student Union to Alger and now is waiting to light up its "ON AIR" signs for the first time in the Media Center. What does this all mean to you as a student or part of the RIC community?

On 90.7 FM there haven't been any dj's for the better part of a year.

Throughout this moving period, WXIN has been in transition mode. Things probably would move a bit more quickly if in their new station, (between Donovan and Horace Mann), the members of WXIN could simply unpack, drill some holes, and do the wiring themselves. However, being that it's a new building; the policy is, (sensibly), that all of these jobs be done by professionals. The people who do this work have many other buildings to tend to besides the Media Center, hence a little extra time for the job to be done well, and for the station to be fully settled. So, we just have to wait a little longer for you and I to have da funk reunite with da noise, right?

Oh no, you have it all wrong. This is a student-run organization—and that means YOU, yes YOU reading this right now, can probably be the next one that the glowing red letters spelling out "ON AIR" light up for—you could be a DJ. And you can make it happen now.

Funky, huh? Whether it's reggae, hip-hop, urban, hard rock, country, electronic-based, and among many others—maybe your own band! As long as it's approved by the Music Director, the music you like has a place on the air waves of 90.7 FM. How can you go wrong? The music you like, a two-hour block of time just for you (expect to be required to play

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"The Next Bob Barker?"

By: Andrea J. Stewart
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"Nicholas Raymond, come on down!" As his name was announced over the din of screaming *The Price Is Right* fans, RIC sophomore Nick Raymond got to experience one of his dreams. He never thought he'd be a contestant; he never thought he'd get an internship after being a contestant. Although he didn't win the big prize (in fact, he never made it off Contestant's Row), his time spent in the Bob Barker Studios would definitely be something to remember.

Raymond has always been a fan of game shows, especially *The Price Is Right*. He credits the show with sparking his desire to become a Communications major, which he hopes will eventually lead him into the television industry. After years of watching from his living room, Raymond decided over winter break that it was time to take a trip to L.A. and experience *The Price Is Right* for himself.

"You're not going to believe this," Raymond confided, raking a hand through his short blond hair. "But I swear it's all true."

The truth? Raymond wasn't headed to *The Price Is Right* as just your average audience member. He already had an "in", so to speak, with one of the "Barker beauties".

Raymond had joined a membership with *The Price Is Right* on the official website, and had been chatting with Claudia Jordan, one of the TV models, on a pretty frequent basis. Jordan originally hails

from East Providence, RI, and found herself having much in common with Raymond. She was pleased to learn that he would be coming to L.A. to see the show.

In order to get tickets, Raymond had to spend about 24-hours in line. He spent the night outside with multitudes of other zealous fans, all waiting for admittance into the Bob Barker Studios. Wearing his Rhode Island College sweatshirt proudly, Raymond eventually took a seat in the audience of his favorite program.

He didn't become a contestant on that first day.



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Take A Professor To Lunch Program

The Take A Professor To Lunch Program will continue this spring. It will be held during the week of March 3rd, 2003. The object of this program is to facilitate closer student faculty-staff interaction in order to get students to become more engaged learners. Students will be able to invite a faculty/staff member of their choosing to a free lunch during that week. In order to participate, students must go to the Dining Center office located on the mezzanine level of the Donovan Dining Center to fill out a form and pick up a slip to be used with the cashier. The lunch is not limited to one student and one professor/staff member; a small group of students may invite a professor or staff member as well.

Volunteer Opportunity

Southside Community Land Trust is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote community gardening, facilitate environmental education, and act as a catalyst for related community needs. The Land Trust encompasses 12 community gardens, an extensive school-based environmental education program, City Farm, a certified organic farm, and the Shared Harvest Farm, located in Western Cranston. Volunteers play an instrumental role in all programs doing such things as working at City Farm, leading environmental field trips, and assisting at community garden workdays. They also host large groups of volunteers for workdays at City Farm, the community gardens, and at the Shared Harvest Farm. For more information about volunteering at Southside Community Land Trust, contact the volunteer coordinator at (401)273-9419 or email at scltvolunteers@hotmail.com.

Recruiting & Teaching Opportunities for Seniors

On-campus recruitment for graduating seniors has begun for the spring 2003 semester in the Career

Development Center. Cranston Public Schools, St. Joseph Health Services, MetLife Financial Services, Peace Corps, and Key Program. Contact CDC, Craig Lee 054, ext. 8031, for details. The first recruiter will be here mid-February. Also, DeKalb County school system in Georgia is anticipating 1,000 vacancies in their school system. For more information visit www.dekalb.k12.ga.us.

New Service Available at Health Services

Student Health Services is now offering Women's Health Care (including smears and birth control), STD (sexually transmitted disease) screening for males and females, pregnancy testing, emergency contraception and full lab services on campus. Call 456-8055 for an appointment. All services are confidential.

On-Line Alcohol Screening

The counseling center now offers on-line alcohol screening for members of the RIC community. It is a 10-15 minute evaluation and you will receive immediate confidential on-line feedback as well as ideas on where to go for help. Just go to www.ric.edu then click on campus life. Click on counseling center. Click on alcohol screening. It's free, and fast!

Everyone Welcome

Everyone is welcome to weekly open discussion AA meetings. They are held every Wednesday from 12:30-2 pm in CL 231. For more information call The Office of Health Promotion at 456-8061.

Mindfulness Meditation

Meditation has been shown to have substantial benefits for the mind and body. This group will offer some beginners some basic instruction for beginners and will give more experienced attendees a regular sitting practice. No appointment is required and it is open to the whole college community

on Thursdays from noon-1 pm in CL 130 with Tom Lavin.

RIC Women's Center ...

is now selling Durex condoms: 10 for one dollar! We also sell pads & tampons for 30 cents each, plus workshops are frequently held during the free period on a variety of subjects. The Women's Center the lower level of DDC, room 9, and can be reached at 456-8474

Writing Center Tutors Available

The writing center will have writing tutors available Monday-Wednesday from 9am-7pm, Thursday from 9am-4pm, and Friday from 9am-3pm. There is also information concerning writing issues given out in free pamphlets. For more information call 456-8141.

Depression Screening

Now the RIC campus can be screened for depression on the RIC Counseling Center's web page. This is confidential and will only take a few minutes to tell you whether or not professional consultation or evaluation would be helpful to you. For any information or an appointment call 456-8094.

Aquatic Programs and Special Events

The cold, gray days of winter make a lot of people feel kind of down, lacking energy. Get revved up with exercise. A little bit of exercise can make you feel a lot more energetic. The Recreation Center Pool is a refreshing 82 degrees and is open 7 days a week for your exercising convenience. Aquatic Exercise classes are scheduled 6 days a week. Pick up a schedule at the Front Desk.

If you have any ideas for new aquatic programs or questions about any current ones, call Alan at X8227 or Janice at X8238.

Pool Hours - For recreation and lap swimming

Monday & Wednesday
7:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Tuesday & Thursday
10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Friday
7:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Sunday
5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Aquatic Exercise Classes

Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat

9:00 AM

Mon - Fri

12:00 PM

Mon - Thurs.

5:00 PM

No need to sign up. Check the Front Desk for a current schedule that includes aerobics, strength training, boxing, Pilates, deep water and yoga.

Recreation Programs

Video Taped Swim Stroke Analysis, Wednesday, February 19th, 12:00-1:30 PM. Whatever you do there is always room for improvement. If you are a regular lap swimmer, or would like to be one, improving your technique can add to your swimming enjoyment and reduce your risk of repetitive motion injury. This clinic can be your ticket to improvement!

Awesome Aqua Games- Wednesday, February 12th, 1:00-2:00 PM (no sign-up, no fee). Inner tubes, squirt guns and water balloons will be used for a variety of pool and deck games. Just the thing to catapult you right out of those winter Blahs!

Water Way to Relax - Friday, 1:00-1:30 PM 3/7 (no fee)

The second half of the semester will offer more of the same, plus Water Volleyball, a Canoe Trip, Water Carnival, boating instruction and a triathlon training clinic.

If you need more information or have suggestions for new programs, please call Alan at X8227 or Janice at X8238.

Catholic Mass

Sunday evenings at 10 p.m. in the President's House. Fr. Pescatello is the celebrant. President Nazarian has been providing refreshments after the Mass. For more info, 456-8168.

Bible Study

Mondays from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. in the Campus Ministry Office, Donovan Lower Level/Unity Center. Rev. Larry Nichols conducts our weekly study with Deacon Mike Napolitano filling in when Larry cannot be here. Bring your lunch (soda, water are provided), your Bible (we can provide one if needed), and enjoy the discussion. Call Larry at 465-8169 for more information.

Christian Student Organization

Wednesday evenings from 6 - 8 p.m. in the Campus Ministry Office, Donovan Lower Level/Unity Center. Rena Rossi (one of our Peer Ministers) leads this weekly meeting. Please email her (rr5815@aol.com) with suggestions of topics you would like to hear discussed during a meeting. The meetings are loosely structured to meet the needs on a particular week. Basically you introduce yourself and have a chance to discuss problems or issues in your life.

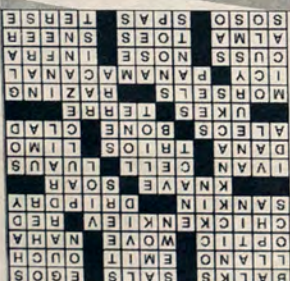
Rabbi Available to College Community

The Campus Ministry would like everyone to know that Rabbi Ben Lefkowitz will be available to the community in our office in Donovan Lower Level/Unity Center on Mondays from 10:15-11 a.m. or by appointment. Contact him at rabbiben1@yahoo.com to schedule and appointment with him or call Campus Ministry at 456-8168.

Attention Smokers!

Ready to quit? Tired of spending all that money? Health Services can help. Free nicotine patches, lots of information and quit tips. Call 456-8055 for further information.

your tidbits can be here, contact us at the anchor call us @ 456.8280



Hi Honey,

Have a great semester. Remember this is not a dress rehearsal.

Love,
Mom

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History from cover

In honor of the people who are responsible for her proud African-American heritage, Mazyck sang the stirring "Wind Beneath My Wings".

At the conclusion of the song, Heather Fisch ('04), President of the RIC Chapter of Amnesty International, stepped forward. Fisch presented the Declaration of Human Rights (in the form of a poster-sized red placard) to the Unity Center, and explained briefly the significance of its words. The significance was not lost on the crowd that afternoon, since the issue of human rights has long been a part of African-American history.

The mood of the ceremony changed from thoughtful to exhilarating as the Sizzlin' Soul Steppers took to the floor. The crowd spilled out of the Unity

Center into the small foyer, where people packed in tight to watch the step performance. The fleet of Steppers in white tee-shirts treated on-lookers to rhythm and laughter.

"We are all entitled to equality and a voice," Shanjon Johnson, President of Harambee, stated as the ceremony drew to a close.

A final voice officially ended the ceremony: Nyisha Conry ('05) singing "From A Distance". Although Conry admitted that she wasn't completely familiar with the song, she couldn't deny the importance of its words. In fact, Conry's talented vocals managed to give the words a new vitality for the many listeners gathered together.

And so began African-American History Month 2003 at Rhode Island College.

Funk from cover

some specific songs that are part of a quota the station must fill as a bargain with record labels), and your very own voice in a microphone being broadcast live "ON AIR."

A warm greeting by one of the Music Directors and existing DJ's, known on-air as the "Reverend Pity" welcomed me into the studio. The "Reverend" showed me their CD collection, and pointed out that the station is great for commuters to campus as well as RIC residents, because you can get a show pretty much any time for two hours. So, you know what that means, right? Commuters—instead of pretending you're studying between classes by staring blankly at your chem notes, use your time for something that doesn't involve reactants and acidic solutions—try to become a DJ!

If you become a DJ, hopefully after minor training you'll join the rest of the crew on the air within about three weeks for the first time since they moved out of the Student Union. So show up to Horace Mann any Wednesday at 1pm in room 186 for WXIN's weekly meeting, and you can become a part of Rhode Island College's nearly 25 year old tradition of expression and fun.

As President of the organization Paul Pereira said, "WXIN is suppose to be a creative outlet, and an opportunity to meet more people on campus and know about more of the events we throw. It's general fun!"

And hey, if you want to dance out a pounding rhythm to some urban funk on your way there, I can say with some certainty that they'll welcome you into their studio!

Price from cover

Instead, he watched the show play out before his eyes. He watched the bidding, the cheering, the Plinko, and Bob Barker. Raymond was impressed with Barker's charisma before a crowd.

"He's 79 years old, and he's still got it. He's more popular now than he ever was," he explains. Raymond doesn't hide the fact that he'd love the chance to be in Barker's shoes. The crowd comes alive in front of him, and he gets to reward them with prizes and cash.

As a result of his on-line friendship with Claudia Jordan, Raymond got the chance to meet Barker and *The Price Is Right* crew. After finally meeting Jordan face-to-face, she took him on a whirlwind tour of the studio. He received autographs from both Barker and announcer Rod Roddy, and got to explore the set that he was already so familiar with. And, when no one was looking, he got to spin the wheel.

After the tour, Raymond and Jordan went out to dinner. It was then that Jordan suggested that he do an internship at the show. One of her close friends is a good friend of the producer, and can easily get him an internship. Raymond, of course, accepted.

So is it really about who you know in the television industry? Raymond certainly thinks so, and points out that "it's all about networking." He'll be headed out to L.A. at the end of the semester to start his internship at *The Price Is Right*.

As if the first day wasn't exciting enough, Raymond head-

ed back to the show two more times. The second show progressed the same as the first, with Raymond watching from the audience in his Rhode Island College sweatshirt. However, the third show brought about a memorable turn of events.

Raymond's RIC sweatshirt was retired after the second day. On the third day, he showed up to the studio in "regular" clothes. When he went for his 20-second interview with the producer (all potential contestants must convince the producer in 20 seconds that he/she will make a good contestant), the producer remembered his face from the previous shows. And he liked Raymond's new look.

On that third day, Raymond was called to "come on down" to Contestant's Row. Unfortunately, that was where Raymond remained for the duration of the show.

"Bidding's not as easy as it looks," he justifies with a smile. He explains that from Contestant's Row, you are several feet below the product in question. The lights are glaring in your face, audience members are shouting bids you, Bob Barker's eyes are fixed and waiting on your next move... It's a lot of pressure. Raymond did receive some nice parting gifts for his efforts. His consolation prizes included: an \$800 karaoke machine, \$500 telephone/supplies, and the thrill of a lifetime.

If you'd like to watch Nick Raymond on *The Price Is Right*, tune to CBS at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, February 12th.

Student Organization Profile

The Poetry Club

By: Sara Farnham
Anchor Staff

The Poetry Club is an open group of Rhode Island College students and non-students who get together each week to share poetry and ideas for writing poetry. They meet every Monday night in Gaige 207E, the History Lounge, at 7:30. Meetings usually last from two to three hours, depending on the night's schedule. There are about fifteen to twenty full time members in the Poetry Club, but it differs with the poet that is featured each week. For the first thirty minutes, members get a cup of coffee (freshly brewed and free of charge) and get a chance to relax and socialize.

The evening is then divided into three sections, the first being "open mic-night." Though there is no actual microphone, members can sign up to get in front of an audience to read for a maximum of fifteen minutes. Readings are not limited to your own poetry or even to any poetry at all. Many members choose to

share short stories and music (sometimes accompanied by a guitar) as well.

Reading poetry here is not a requirement of joining - many members prefer just to sit and observe during meetings. There is no need to feel intimidated when coming to a meeting here for the first time. The rules are not strict at the Rhode Island College Poetry Club; it is a very laid-back atmosphere in which all are welcomed.

The second part of the evening usually consists of a "feature," which is a poet from the Providence area. These features are usually advertised by word of mouth or by fliers and are hired by the club president on a yearly rotation schedule, so you are not bound to get a repetition of words here. Most poets will read for about thirty to forty-five minutes of their own writing. They may also have books to sell, but mainly they come in to inspire the writers here at RIC. One feature the organization has planned for late February is Eve Wartenberg.

Finally, the last part of the night consists of a writing workshop. During this section of the meeting, the club president, Ryan Anas, sometimes brings in new ways to inspire poetry writing. The members will use this time to create their own poetry. For example, the organization recently attempted to express their feelings in terms of weather, which although "it's a little cliché, a lot of them came out really nice," claims Anas. After the workshop is complete, and as long as time allows, members are invited to take the stage a second time to read their new work or to continue reading other work.

Besides weekly meetings, the Poetry Club is planning to hold a "Slam" which is a competitive poetry reading in the Spring. The organization is also co-sponsoring The Vagina Monologues, which will be performed here on campus on the 21st and 22nd of February.

For more information on the Poetry Club, feel free to email the president, Ryan Anas at ric_poetry@yahoo.com.

S.W.A.K.

By: Jackie Crevier
Anchor Staff

Are you sick with love or just sick of love?

Results=Sick with Love

Symptoms: dreamy preoccupied look, Cheshire cat grin, quickened heart rate, loss of attention, engaging in mindless scribbles of initials. (NOTE: Symptoms may clear up quickly or linger for years; in extreme cases, symptoms have been known to last a lifetime.)

Diagnosis: contracted the "love bug"

Cause: struck by Cupid's Arrow

Remedy: requited love=lavishes of affectionate gestures and words

Girls Note: Men CAN be sensitive AND CAN ask for directions.

Guys Note: Girls DO More than shop AND fixate on their hair.

Are you sick with love or just sick of love? We all know THAT day is approaching... only a few more days. Some of us may be racing out to the local CVS to stock up on cuddly cutie teddies and chocolate heart candies for that special someone, while some wish not to see the sight of one more hint of the V-Day.

It is true that Valentine's Day, otherwise known as the "day for lovers" has become quite the commercialized holiday. Stores are overflowed with "sweets for the sweet," and hearts reading "BE MINE" are not too hard to spot. The rose, which has become a symbol for this "day of love", doubles in price as well. So, one pays a pretty penny for a sweetheart.

However, let's not forget the true meaning of Valentine's Day. The significance of this day can be traced back to a legend. * The day celebrates the feast of St. Valentine who was a Roman priest in the third century. He was sent to jail and beheaded because he embraced Christianity and for secretly marrying couples, after engagements and marriages were forbidden by the Emperor Claudius. The Emperor had figured out if the men did not have wives to attend to, they would

be more willing to go off and fight.

* Legend says that during St. Valentine's imprisonment, he wrote a letter to his friend, the jailer's daughter which read, "from your valentine"; hence the creation of Valentine Day cards.

* Around the time of his death, on February 14, 269 A.D., the Romans had a custom of celebrating the Feast of Lupercalia on February 15. The purpose of this feast was to honor the fields in hopes of securing fertility in the land. It was tradition at this ceremony for the boys to pick a maiden's name out of a jar. He would then wear this name upon his sleeve for one week; hence the creation of the phrase, "that one wears the heart on his/her sleeve." The eve of the Feast of Lupercalia was dedicated to St. Valentine's memory.

Everyone has different views of love. Some believe in soul mates, fate and love at first sight. Although the image of Cupid, a cherub wearing a diaper and arching back with his bow and arrow is a cute figure associated with Valentine's Day, it is not really a realistic one. I really do not think most people pray aloud or silently, the words to that oldies tune, "cupid draw you're your bow and let your arrow flow, straight to my lover's heart for me" and receive an instant relationship. Love and relationships, much like most things in life, take time to build. However, David Boreanaz's "Valentine" isn't exactly what most girls have in mind either. He gives a new meaning to the phrase, ** "falling in love has never hurt so bad." Most girls are going for the more "sensitive" guy over the psycho killer.

Valentine's Day is much more than cards, candies, sweets and roses. It is a day on which we remind our devotees of our appreciation, love and dedication.

I acknowledge myself to be a hopeless, sappy romantic. I mean, come on, how many times can a girl watch repeated scenes of "When Harry Met Sally" and still say, "Awww," or just melt when Renee Zellweger says to Jerry Maguire, "You had me at hello." To me, the purpose of the day is to reflect and to remind

someone that you do not take him/her for granted.

Students spoke straight from the heart in regards to the subject of Valentine's Day.

"Valentine's Day is a Hallmark holiday," explained junior, Frank Haddad. "An anniversary is enough for two people. It is just an excuse to dine out and spend money." Haddad also pointed out that the added pressure of the day, is "that if everything does not go as planned, she will give you hell."

Michael Storin, a senior, also described the day to be a "Hallmark holiday."

Freshman, Trista Escobar said, "It is a good day to eat candy and to get some nice flowers from Mom." Although it is "not her favorite holiday", she does not "hold the day against anyone who is attached."

On the opposing side, sophomore Jackie Valliere, is Pro-Valentine's Day. She believes it is "a special time for people (couples) to appreciate each other."

Junior Jonathan Vincent, stated that he "personally thinks that holidays are a waste of time because you should show people that you love them every day of the year."

So whether you are cuddling on the couch with your sweetheart watching a romantic "chick flick", out at a romantic dinner, not celebrating the day at all or finding your own unique way to spend the day, just remember every day not to take your loved ones for granted.

Some Valentines Sweets to Chew On:

"Keep love in your heart. A life without it is like a sunless garden when the flowers are dead."

~ Oscar Wilde
"For this was on St. Valentine's Day."

When every fowl cometh there to choose his mate.

- Geoffrey Chaucer, The Parlement of Fowles (l. 309)

* http://www.pictureframes.co.uk/pages/saint_valentine.htm

** <http://valentinemovie.warner-bros.com/>

He Shoots, He Scores! Ice Hockey Club Newly Established at RIC

By: Tiffany Ventura
Anchor Editor

It may have taken three years, but for Jeff Day, President and Founder of Rhode Island College's new Ice Hockey Club, the wait was well worth it.

"We're killing teams," the affable Day said with a smile.

A graduate of Mount Hope High School and a future graduate in May with a bachelor's degree in Computer Information Systems (CIS), Day has had hockey flowing through his blood for his entire life. When given the decision between becoming a wrestler or a hockey player in high school, Day chose the latter. "I enjoyed it more than wrestling," he said. "It [hockey] was year-round for me."

Hockey was and still is one of his biggest hobbies, loving everything about it from the physical aspects to its beauty and grace and of course, the teamwork. "Teamwork is very important," he commented. "It's a tough sport, but if a team clicks, they can really do something."

Day had hoped to do something about his hockey addiction. He originally planned to attend UMass-Dartmouth upon high school graduation for their hockey program. However, his path led to Rhode Island College instead. As he sat in an open house for prospective freshmen, he heard the listing of all the sports available at the college. He remembered saying to his mother, "Mom, wouldn't it be cool if I start an ice hockey team?" (Pun intended.) He had his idea, and with family support, he decided to act on it.

In the beginning, things were slow. Day placed flyers throughout his freshmen year advertising a prospective ice hockey club but there was little interest. In the summer between his sophomore and junior year, he worked as a peer counselor and through this was able to attain numerous emails of interested people. Then, he said, he knew he had to focus on this one club to make it happen. He gave up several of his prior commitments to get the club started. Although as he says, he was put on the "back-burner" until October by administration, his determination saw him through.

The club came together and was recognized last semester, their first practice being on the same night as Midnight Madness. At least twenty students showed up. "That meant a

lot to me," Day said. Even though the only time Day could schedule for practices is 11:30 PM on Wednesday nights at the Smithfield Ice Rink, there are currently 24-28 consistent members of the team. Currently, they are also undefeated. "We're the best show in town," he said confidently.

Although confident and pleased with his long-time dream to establish a club of this form at RIC, Day has not stopped working. "I am leaving," he admitted, although the club may give him incentive to earn a second degree in Management here at RIC. Regardless, his long-term goal is to get the ice hockey team recognized as a Division III athletic sport at RIC. "I will make sure this gets done," he stated. His short-term goal, though, for the upcoming months, is to earn respect, particularly from Student Government, who has been hesitant to grant Day's monetary requests.

"Hockey is an expensive sport," Day explained. "I wouldn't ask if we didn't need it or deserve it. I just wish they would be more understanding. They're great kids, and shouldn't be laughed at right away."

Regardless of this hurdle, Day has received much support from Athletic Director Don Tenscher and Vice-President Gary Penfield. When asked if he thought that the RIC administration would be willing to add ice hockey as a sport they sponsor for competitive play, his response was an emphatic yes. "They're very supportive," he said, adding that Tenscher has been working out the cost aspects of the club and Penfield is researching the actual channels necessary to make the club a recognized athletic team.

"If people give us a chance, we won't let them down," he said with a smile. "We haven't lost yet. Just give it a chance," he said, adding that games are usually on Saturday nights at 10:30. The crowd is growing larger with each passing game and "the people who go, love it," he said. Their next game will be Saturday, February 15th, away, at Clark University in Worcester. Day mentioned that there would be room on the bus for 30-40 students. If you can't make it there, but you're interested in joining, contact Day directly at Paperboy81@aol.com. If you get involved with this up and coming club or not, you're sure to hear about it in the future.

Jimmy B's Prime Time Player Manny Karngar, Men's Indoor Track

By: James Bessette
Anchor Staff

One of the biggest reasons that the RIC Men's Indoor Track team has had a very productive season is the success of Freshman Runner Manny Karngar. Already, he has set two school records; one at the Southern Maine Invitational, where he finished first in the 400 Meter run with a time of 51.21 seconds, and the other at the Boston University Terrier Classic. He finished 13th in the Mile Run, first out of all the Division III competitors, with a time of 4:24.8. He won the 800 Meter run at both The Greater Boston Track Club Invitational and The Harvard Invitational. He finished second in both, the 800 Meter run at The Yale Invitational, and the 1000 Meter run at The Brown Invitational. He was also named Little East Track Athlete of the Week for the week of January 21. Not too shabby!

The graduate of Providence's Shea High School is very confident about the team's chances to compete at a high level. "This

team is a young team, and like a family. We put in a positive attitude and a hard effort in each event and just simply go out and do the best that we can," says Karngar. "Coach Jackson has done a phenomenal job of recruiting and simply making the pro-



gram better. He cares greatly about how each member of the team performs in the classroom, and not just on the track. Nobody knew about RIC before, and now, we are getting serious recognition. We have a very good shot at

competing well in some events at the New England Championships this year." Manny also states that he sees the program being very big in two years.

In the meets this year, Manny Karngar has had the chance to compete against runners from Division I schools, such as Providence College, UConn, Brown, and Louisiana State University, and he is doing quite well. "I'm happy with the shape that I'm in right now. I have gotten much stronger physically since High School," says Karngar. In terms of a major, he is currently undecided. However he is heading towards Finance and wants to become a banker after RIC. As for any more records being broken by Manny, he states, "The school record book will be rewritten a lot this year and in the years to come." If this is the case, may I suggest to whoever is in charge of the RIC Athletic Records Book, that he or she should stock up on lots of White-Out and Ink and get used to writing the name Manny Karngar, because he will make his presence known.

"There is no 'I' in Team."

By: Paul J. Spetrini
Anchor Staff

It's not easy being a college-level wrestler. Everyday, these athletes have to practice, work-out, and prepare for their next match. Even when they're not doing all that, they've got to eat right, and maintain their shape so that they don't jeopardize their chance at competition at a particular weight class. It's like having a twenty four hour job, culminating in a battle against another person who would like nothing more than to embarrass you in front of everyone present.

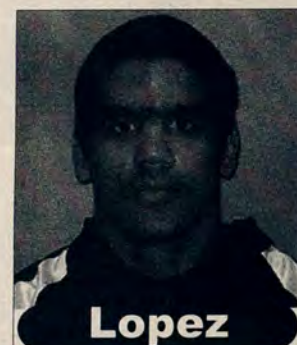
As you can imagine, that creates an environment on constant pressure, where one little slip up means the difference between a victory and a defeat. Now imagine being a freshman athlete at a new school, competing for the first time. While it can be exciting, there is no doubt that it is much harder when you don't know what to expect. But, as RIC's Carlos Lopes has demonstrated, if you're focused on the task, nothing can stop you from achieving it.

Carlos Lopes is the latest success story from the over-achieving wrestling team. While no one outside of the group really gave them a shot, the team is showing that it doesn't matter what people think about them, because they're only out there for themselves. RIC's wrestling program is 9-9, but they have won their last two meetings by a combined score of 72-15, coming into Friday's action. In a sport that focuses on the individual, it is hard to talk to any wrestler without the topic of the team itself being brought up.

"Yeah, we're a very close knit group. Even when outside of school, everyone is always

there for you. It's more like a family in that you know if you need help, someone is always there for you." Says Lopes of his fellow teammates "I remember earlier in the year, one of our guys had a couple of classes dropped and didn't know what to do. But, instead of panicking, he told us, and we helped him out until he was all set."

Stories like this are common place within the walls of the wrestling locker room. Unlike other sports, these guys are out



there helping each other, pushing each other to get better. And it shows. As for Lopes, himself, he is quickly becoming a cornerstone of this unknown team.

In 33 matches, Lopes is 22-11, winning by forfeit this past Wednesday. As a freshman, he is putting up some very impressive numbers, and it looks as if he is only getting better. But, if you ask him about that, he really isn't too concerned at this point. "Our focus is on the team itself. We really want to win all together. I mean, individual success is important, but we you really wouldn't be able to do anything if you didn't have those guys pushing you to become your best."

It's hard to imagine a more humble individual, but it's only the start. Described as a "goofy individual outside of the ring", Lopes is easily one of those individuals that everyone can get along with. Even as the personal awards come, Lopes doesn't lose his focus.

Over the course of the season, Lopes has taken home several awards. He has been named Pilgrim League Rookie of the Week twice this season, and even though he didn't know it, he was even named NECCWA rookie of the week on January 20th. "I found out a couple of weeks later. At first I was like 'Alright that's good'. At first I was surprised, then afterwards I was kind of happy."

Lopes has high goals before he graduates. He hopes to place, and do well in, the national tournament. Lopes is also an industrial technology major. When he gets out of RIC, he hopes to teach some courses on using technology tools to those who may be having trouble learning. In the business world, he will be able to fully use the skills he learned in the ring to his advantage.

"As a wrestler, you have to deal with a lot of things. It helps to build a strong character and prepare you for life in the real world. I think being able to handle the pressure it puts on you prepares you to face whatever might come your way when your outside."

Lopes may only be a freshman, but he is definitely someone that wrestlers around New England may want to watch out for. He is very focused and it doesn't look like he will let anyone stand in his way as he tries to accomplish the goals he has ahead of him.

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RIC to Broadcast Games

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By: Brian Buonaiuto
Anchor Contributor

The RIC athletic department is going big time. On the heels of the first men's basketball game that was broadcasted on January 25th, the athletic department hopes to continue making games available via the web. RIC has broadcasted three games since then, and plans to broadcast the last remaining home game, on Feb. 15 and all Little East playoff games.

While the RIC athletic department has been the voice of RIC sports so far, they hope to get student involvement as well. One student, Kenny Anderson, has already served as color com-

mentator for three of the men's basketball games. The Athletic Department plans to broadcast baseball and softball games, and hopes to get more help from qualified students.

"This is a project that can benefit the students as well as the athletic department," says Sports Information Director Scott Gibbons. "It gives students a great work experience and it helps elevate the department's stature among Division III schools." While students will not be paid for their time, those on work study can get compensated for their work.

Anyone interested in helping broadcast games should contact Scott Gibbons at 456-8516.

By: Paul J. Spetrini
Anchor Staff

When you really think about it, it all comes down to money. You're either making it or you're not. It has become apparent that a person's life can be summed up by what they have in the bank account, how many cars they have, and whether or not they have enough pairs of shoes to supply an entire village. All in all, money is what causes people to do irrational things without giving much thought to the alternatives.

In a society that stresses the importance of making money and becoming successful, it is easy to see why people always seem to look for the easy way out. Today's subject: Lebron James.

If you've ever watched ESPN, read Sports Illustrated or are within earshot of the sports world, you know who he is, and what he is about to become. Lebron James is the latest in a long line of media circus. A high school basketball player, he has had the entire sports world walking on a tightrope for over two years now, and that's not even the start of it.

In his time at St Mary's St. Vincent High School, James has had an outstanding career. He has averaged roughly 25 points per game, and has led his team to a #1 ranking in the USA Today polls. If that were just the end of it, it would sound like your average story of a player who might someday make an impact in the NBA. But, as anyone who like movies would know, that would just be too boring. Instead, this story is only just beginning.

Deciding that he wasn't ready for the NBA as a JUNIOR in high school, Lebron decided to stay in school for one more year and see where it took him. One of those first places was on ESPN2 as the network decided to air a game between Lebron's SMSV Irish and the rival Oak Hill Academy. The network became one the first to cash in on his success as the game drew a higher rating than most of the college, and even some of the professional games they usually aired.

Lebron James didn't disappoint on that night. He had an impressive night, ending with over thirty points and sending a message out to all the nay-sayers that he was, in fact, the real deal. Within minutes of the conclusion of that game, his value had more than doubled on the market and he was put on a pedestal only few

Lebron James
Decisions, Decisions

others have ever seen. It was like watching "Lebron TV" as he was on every major channel, and basketball experts claimed he was the next big thing.

With the success he has encountered, James has felt the pressures of what it is like to be in the spotlight. For his 18th birthday, Lebron James received



a \$50,000 Hummer from his mother. Such a gift is extraordinary for an adult, but an 18 year old? In a family where money is scarce (the mother has been on welfare, and they have lived in the projects for most of James' life), it is hard to see how such a luxury care could have been purchased.

The facts don't lie, however. When the OSHAA ruled that foul play must have been involved, and ruled Lebron ineligible for the rest of his senior season at SMSV, his mother appealed. Not wanting to lose her million dollar meal ticket, she proved that she had received a bank loan to buy the car. I know what you're thinking...how could a mother that is supposed to be on welfare be approved for a \$50,000 bank loan? Well, apparently the OSHAA didn't see anything wrong. James was reinstated and allowed to play again.

Less than a month later, a woman named Iola Winston claimed that James' controversial luxury car (with three television sets, imported rims and a video game system) backed into her car and caused an unknown amount of damage. Was it an actual event or just another woman trying to leech off of James' success? Well, according to James' lawyer, it actually happened. I guess he wasn't quite used to the controls of such a car.

Because there are rules against receiving gifts as an amateur basketball player, it would have been wise for Lebron James to be slightly more careful with the way he acted. After "getting on the honor roll" at his school, James was given two throwback

jerseys, valued at over \$800, for his accomplishments. Even the OHSAA couldn't ignore this. For the second time, James was ruled ineligible. But, also for the second time, he was allowed to play again. After all, he claims, he received the gifts for his academic achievements, not for anything basketball related. I'm sure that everyone on that honor roll must have gotten similar gifts, right?

This past Wednesday, Lebron James was reinstated by rule of the courts in his community. He appealed the OHSAA's decision and was granted a restraining order that would allow him to finish up the season. I don't want to be critical of James, because he is still very young. At an age were people are suppose to be wondering who to ask to the prom, Lebron James is wondering how big his house is going to be when he makes it big. I do not believe he has proven himself to be someone who will change the face of basketball, and he might want to consider other opinions.

He may dominate on the high school level now, but if he goes to the NBA next year, he will have jumped from sweaty teenagers to massive giants. Such a jump has been tried before, and only few have succeeded. There's a difference between dunking on little Wesley when he is in the ninth grade than driving in the paint on Shaq and Yao Ming. For every one hundred people who think they are superstars, 99 of them fall short. If James continues on this path, he is going to be in for a rude awakening.

When I started this article out, I did not want to make it an opinion piece. I had intended on just simply stating the facts and showing why Mr. Basketball should consider holding off on his multimillionaire dreams. Unfortunately, I can sympathize with James. I am also his age, and I do not know how I would make that decision if I were forced to.

The NBA is a no-guarantee league. You're only as good as the next person. If James jumps straight to the big leagues, he may severely harm his chances of having a successful career. If, however, he were to wait and try college out, he would always have an education to fall back on. Many experts say that Lebron should stay in school. I really think that it's up to him. I think he should take his time in making this decision, but then again, I'm not the one having millions of dollars thrown at me.

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◆ B: Rosebud

◆ C: My kingdom for a carrot. •

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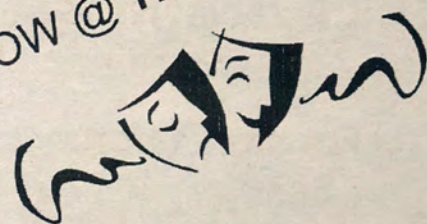
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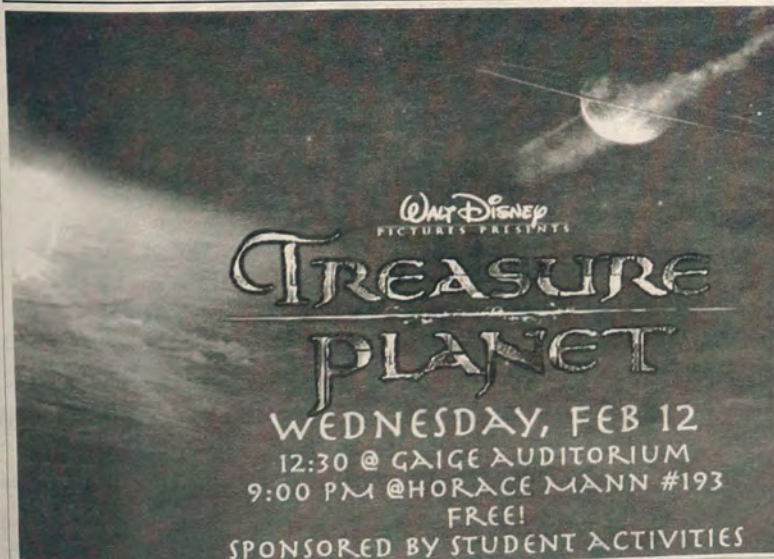
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by Heather Black

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Dana Wricet
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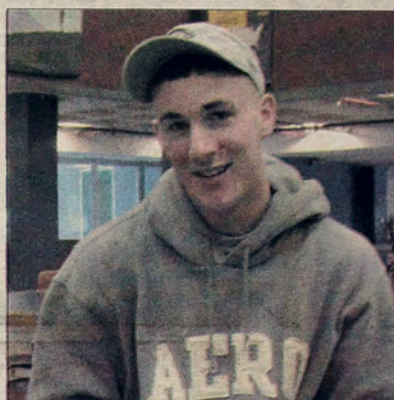


Theresa Peters
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Psychology

Not at all. Look at it.

Amanda Hutchins
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I have not had a problem so I think [the job] is fine.



Ian Robertson
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Absolutly not.



Pat Vallario
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Sean Ahern
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I think they could do a better job on the steps, I almost fell today.



Kerri Higgins
Freshman
Undecided

No, they should do a better job. Have you seen the piles of snow in the parking lot?



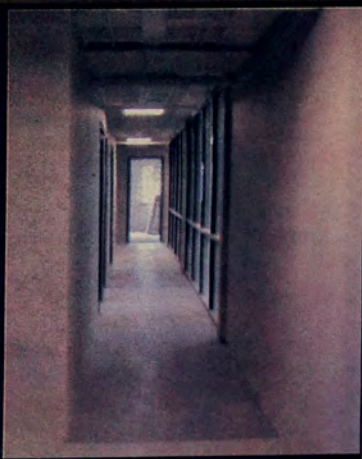
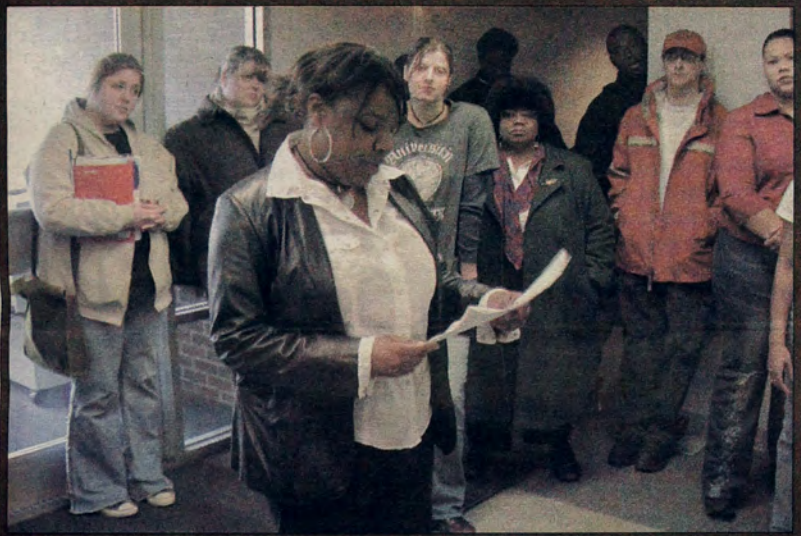
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around campus

Behold below, pictures from the Black History Month kick off, and the inside of the newly renovated Student Union. As you can see there was a large turnout for the Black History Month kick off held last week. Additionally the union couldn't be doing better, if you freshmen are lucky, you'll get to use it before your sentence is up.



Case Study #126

By: Cliff Rebelo
Anchor Editor

There's been a major scientific discovery made over the past year. Unfortunately, it was made by myself and Ariana Testa, the Anchor public relations director. We've discovered

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a very important human behavior which can no longer be ignored. It has to do with the way people drive and how the weather affects their ability to do so. I know it sounds confusing but we really think we have something here. We've found things which need to be researched further and I've scoured my memory bank to pull together a few examples to clarify exactly what we mean.

Last summer, it was pretty damn hot but there were some days that were unbearable. One day we were driving around the Hartford Avenue area and we almost got into three accidents. It was as if people were veering into us and were actually trying to hit us. After the third car tried to slam into us, Ariana pulled over and screamed, "It gets too hot outside and people don't know what to do with themselves!" I laughed because it was funny at the time, but I had no idea how true it would turn out to be.

A few weeks later, we had another day from hell and sure enough, people got crazy behind the wheel. I woke up later that morning to hear on the news that a car had driven right into the side of Anthony's Jewelers on Mineral Spring Ave. in North

Providence. I left the house and went to Ariana's where we jumped in her car and went two minutes up the road to Mineral Spring, and sure enough, there was a hole in the side of the building. It was ruled that it was purely an accident and there were no criminal charges brought about. I wondered how anyone could just veer off the road, travel thirty feet, and then slam into a building. Well, shortly afterwards, the summer ended and I assumed the madness would too, but I was wrong. The other night, we were driving home from a wonderful evening out in downtown when we decided to go to Olneyville to grab some hot wieners. Well, we were in Kristen's car and she was driving and we were all completely confused by what happened next. We were turning left into the parking lot of the wiener joint and the guy behind us decided as we were turning left, he was going to pass us on the left. He slammed right into us and we all just scratched our heads. This was the day after the huge snowstorm we had last week so of course, we determined that his radical behavior was due to the recent cold weather and snow. The night before the snow storm, we had another incident where someone almost hit us head on, and again, we blamed it on the pending snow.

People can say that it is our driving that needs the improvement but I assure you, all the examples which were mentioned above involved cars just randomly attacking us. After dealing with it for almost a year, Ariana and I have no doubt in our minds that this is a phenomenon and it should be a case study all in itself. If any scientific geniuses are reading this and they think it could end up on the learning channel, please contact me through the Anchor and I will be happy to provide as much information as possible.

In Support of Gay Marriage on
National Freedom to Marry DayBy Stephen Hendrick
Tribune Media Services

Feb. 12 is National Freedom to Marry Day.

For many gay couples, marriage used to seem an impossibility. But the latest portent of change is a recent bill introduced in Montana's legislature to legalize same-sex marriages. The sponsor is state Rep. Tom Facey, and he knows his bill won't pass. But merely proposing such a law in my home state of Montana was all but unthinkable just five years ago.

It was only in 1995, after all, that our legislature debated making gays register with the state like sex offenders.

The Montana thaw follows Vermont's approval of civil unions in 2000. Since then, hundreds of couples have exchanged vows — and Western Civilization has not crumbled.

Fortunately, prejudice is starting to melt. Polls show 75 percent of Americans think gay marriages will eventually be legal. About a third want it to happen, a third don't and another third don't care. (Among college students, three in five think gays should be able to wed.) Another survey shows that a record 60 percent of Americans say they know someone who is gay, which is likely symptomatic

not of more gays but of growing tolerance that has allowed more gays to come out of the closet.

The claims against gay marriage are easy to rebut.

Claim 1: "Marriage has always been the way it is; you can't change it just to fit the times."

Rebuttal: Gay marriage is perfectly in keeping with the evolving nature of the institution. Once blacks couldn't marry whites, Jews couldn't marry Christians and wives were property of husbands. Such features changed as notions of equality did.

Claim 2: "Homosexuality is immoral; the Bible condemns it."

Rebuttal: In the Bible, the book of Leviticus does say gays should be killed. But the Bible would also have us kill women who have premarital sex and men who masturbate, and it forbids tattoos, working on Sunday, eating shrimp and playing with pigskin (in other words, football). With good reason, America is a democracy not a theocracy.

Claim 3: "Gay marriage doesn't lead to children, the purpose of marriage."

Rebuttal: Wrong on both counts. States give marriage licenses to straight couples who don't or can't procreate. And like many straight couples, gays raise

children thanks to adoption or sperm donors.

Claim 4: "If gays marry, next people will want to marry horses or children."

Rebuttal: The equine argument is a Montana favorite, as it was for foes of interracial marriage. But marriage, gay or straight, is a contract between two consenting human adults. Nobody proposes changing this.

Claim 5: "Gay sex is disgusting."

Rebuttal: So are, to many people, some "straight" sex acts. It's not the state's job to intrude in the bedrooms of consenting adults.

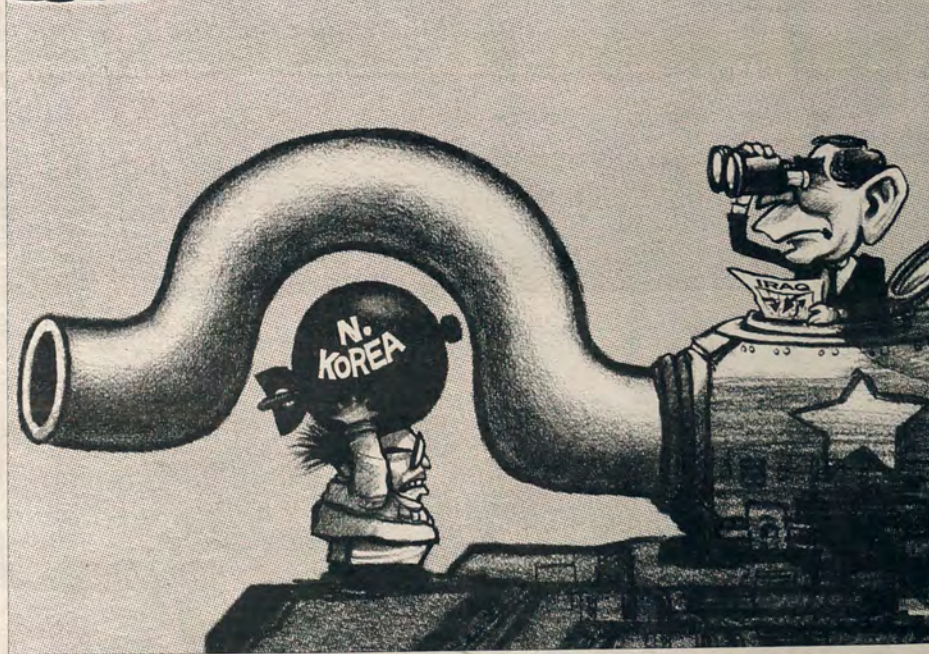
Claim 6: "You can't force a church to marry gays."

Rebuttal: True, but irrelevant. Gays are asking for state-issued licenses. Religions will remain as free to ban gay weddings as they are to ban women ministers.

Claim 7: "Why do gays need to marry anyway?"

Rebuttal: Many basic rights and protections are conferred by marriage, like the rights to visit a hospitalized partner, receive family health benefits and inherit a partner's property.

As more Americans accept the justice of such arguments, the day when gays and lesbians can tie the knot like everyone else draws nearer even in Montana.

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Dr. King and Affirmative Action Level The Playing Field

By: Madyna Francois

It is an injustice that the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. has come to be simply "I have a Dream." Dr. King, one of the greatest civil rights leaders of our time, has done everything but dream about a better and just society. He fought and devised strategies for the freedom of minorities and poor, including marches, freedom rides, strikes, sit-ins, held conferences to talk about the situation of the blacks, and gave lectures on colleges and universities campuses on how to develop other strategies to fight the racial system. He also fought for equal opportunities in education, work housing, healthcare, and others. Dr. King fought for equality and died doing so; Equality not just for one race, but equality for humankind.

In this article Locke quote Dr. King, "I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judge by the color of their skin but by the content of their character" and continued to say that the opposite has happened in that "colorblindness now has been replaced with color preference in the form of affirmative action". In that speech, delivered so eloquently, Dr. King shared a dream. Today that speech that touched the heart of America to see the tribulations of blacks has been striped of its meaning and the hopeful words spoken then are now being use to do injustice to the cause that Dr. King fought for. This dream expressed almost forty years ago has not yet been realized. As Dr. King stated "The American 'dream' is a dream of equality of opportunity, of privilege and property widely distributed, and of land where men will not take necessities from many to give luxuries to a few".

That day when Dr. King spoke of equality, he did not simply dream of an integrated society. He saw it as social, political, and economic equality. Any superficial analysis will show that equality as he talked about it has not yet come to be reality.

Locke and other conservatives use "I have a dream" to assume that Dr. King would be an opponent to affirmative action. These few words have been used to make assaults on civil rights. In respect to King's idea of equality, he would see affirmative action programs and the like as a necessary step to attain social, economic and political equality. In "I have a dream" King had a hopeful vision of

racial harmony, but also social racial justice. If we were to have a colorblind society that does not provide equal opportunities for all individuals, that would be the society that King would be an opponent of, for he hoped for justice for humankind, something a "colorblind" does not necessarily provide. In other words, King did not call for an unjust colorblind society, but called first for a colorblind society that provides equal opportunity for all its citizens.

Dr. King argued "it is impossible to create a formula for the future which does not take into account that our society has been doing something special against the Negro for hundreds of years". He then went on to ask "how the Negro could be absorbed into the mainstream of American life if we do not do something special for him now in order to balance the equation and equip him now to compete on just and equal basis. And so, it makes sense to say that although King hoped for a colorblind society, He also saw the need for something special being done for blacks and other underprivileged people.

Dr. King's hope that one day people be judge by the content of their character and not by the color of their skin should not be restricted exclusively to blacks. If you look at history and society today whites have never been judge by the content of their character, but rather they've always been judge by the color of their skin, "white privileged". When the whites were telling blacks to lift themselves up their own bootstraps, the government was giving away million of acres of land in the West and Midwest to white men. They were not told to lift themselves up their bootstraps, instead they were given land, were taught how to farm and many other skills. Today white skin secures you a better education, a better job, and a higher place in the social ladder. In King's last sermon he remarks "the roots of racism are very deep in our country and there must be something positive and massive in order to get rid of all the effects of racism and tragedies of racial injustice." In his book "Why We Can't Wait" King wrote "With equal opportunity must come the practical, realistic aid which would equip [the Negro] to seize it". And so, affirmative action is a way of securing equality. Blacks have been oppressed and disadvantage for long, to say that we can just put them out there without aid to

even up the field is absurd. Affirmative action secures the opportunity to obtain the necessary tools to complete in the field. Therefore, I think it is safe to say that Dr. King would be a proponent of affirmative action.

In his article Locked proposed the example of the fictional XYZ Corporation. He states that if a founder of a company had decided no to hire redheads then died many years later. Now the new director decides to correct such injustice by hiring redheads on a preferential basis. And observed that such method does not help the victims and the non-redheads being excluded are now made victims. If I may quote Malcolm X he stated that "My father is not here to collect and my father is not her to pay". This simply tells you that African Americans today are descendants of those who suffered the injustices of the past and they do reserve the rights to collect the debt form the descendants of those who inflicted such injustices.

Over forty years ago, on hot summer day, Dr. King formulated a "dream". He dreamt of justice and equality for humankind. He dreamt of justice and equality for minorities, poor people and globally oppressed people. Forty years later, the "dream" has yet to be realized. A look at the situation of people of color today reveals that we are far from the realization of King's "dream". Police brutality, black ghettoization, unequal schooling, disproportionate representation in the justice system, the list goes on. In the sixties King fought the overt practices of racism and hoped for it to end. Today, we still need to continue to fight for the same things that he fought for; only now they are more latent. The "so-called" war on drugs /crime, as can be clearly seen by the numbers, is just a cover up to continue with institutional racism and injustices. The disparities among people of color and whites in the educational system, is another example of racial injustice.

Only, when justice reigns, when equal opportunities are provided to people from all walks of life, only when we have social, economic, and political equality; only then would it be unnecessary to have programs to secure equal opportunities for people of color. But, until then, the playing field is even; Dr. King would see it necessary to have such programs as affirmative action.

What does it take to get a Jump?

By: Heather Black
Anchor Editor

We have all complained about the Campus Police in the past. Most of the time it is in relation to the obscene amount of car break-ins we have on this campus. This has lead to comments about laziness and often made students wonder why we bother to have Campus Police in the first place. I've never counted myself among these opinions until last Wednesday, when I saw how these certain security officers 'helped out' a friend of mine.

I was sitting with some friends in Student Community Government on Wednesday around noon, waiting for a meeting start when another friend (I will call her Erin) came and asked to use the phone. Erin's car battery had died and need to call security for a jump. Should have been easy enough, right? You can imagine our shock when she got off the phone and burst into tears. We asked her what happened and she told us that she had informed the lieutenant on duty about her situation and had been told to call someone else. Sounds ridiculous right, well prepare yourself; Erin is 7 months pregnant a fact of which she informed the officer. For all of you out there that means that

Erin, 7 months pregnant, was left with 2 options, call someone else or walk from Roberts hall to Browne hall to pick up the portable jump and carry it back across campus. Oh and just so you know that battery is not feather light.

After some initial ranting by members in Student Government, my Executive Editor, Bill Dorry called the campus security and asked why no one was willing to come and help a pregnant woman; he was given the most unacceptable answer I could have ever thought up. The lieutenant informed him that he could not help the young lady because one of his officers had gone to lunch.

Isn't there more than one officer on duty at a time? And even if there was only one officer on duty, couldn't he have stopped stuffing his face to help a pregnant woman? If there were more than two officers, then why weren't they available to help? What happens if there is an accident or an immediate need for police on this campus?

Even stranger is that right after my editor called, an officer miraculously showed up to help Erin. Why does it take a phone call from the Executive Editor of the Anchor to get help for a student who is 7 months pregnant?

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By Lasha Seniuk

Aries (March 21-April 20). Relations with co-workers and minor business tensions are accented this week. Pay attention to small disagreements or misplaced facts.



Before midweek, colleagues will be sensitive to criticism. Avoid new suggestions. After Thursday, romantic intrigue is on the rise. Expect potential lovers to ask for detailed descriptions of private hopes or long-term loyalties. Go slow. Although passions are high, new friends and loved ones may need reassurance.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Withheld opinions or social doubts will be openly discussed. Over the next few days, expect old friends to admit to deep feelings of isolation or social jealousy. Little of this can be avoided.



Watch for past events, conversations or promises to be strong public concerns. After midweek, ask loved ones for detailed time schedules. Group activities and home celebrations may require extra planning. Sensitivities may be high. Listen to the needs of friends and relatives.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Previously denied attractions are key themes over the next few days. Watch for past events, canceled invitations or newly rekindled flirtations to be compelling. Some Geminis may also



experience unusual announcements from close friends or relatives. If so, expect social and romantic history to be major concerns. After Friday, evaluate recent financial strategies. New expenses or fast debts will be complex and annoying over the next 11 days.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Home and social schedules may be ongoing concerns before midweek. Expect loved ones to ask for solid daily commitments or quickly revised plans. A recent period of emotional isolation



will fade. Expect close friends or lovers to no longer hide their romantic needs or social excitement. After Thursday, avoid overspending. For the next two to three days, forgotten bills or late payments may be bothersome. Stay focused on long-term strategies and all will be well.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Business plans may temporarily need to change. Over the next few days, watch for unusual financial announcements or new workplace schedules. Some Leos may be



asked to adopt extra tasks or money responsibilities. If so, expect complex negotiations and unclear instructions. Work officials may make heavy demands but provide only limited guidance. Don't lose faith. Workplace leadership and job relations will return to normal early next week.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Over the next few days, lovers and close friends may reveal deeply

private information. Family disputes or past social history may be key concerns.



Watch for subtle moments of tension to lead to detailed and emotional discussions. Some Virgos, especially those born after Sept. 15, may also encounter a rare home proposal or romantic invitation. If so, expect added social information and fast family decisions before the end of next week.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Close friends or work mates will offer accurate romantic advice over the next few days. Recent group events may be the prime focus of social discussions. Expect others to provide subtle insights or added information.



After Wednesday revised messages and late invitations are compelling. Expect romantic complications to deepen before next week. Fast revisions to group plans may be necessary. Respond quickly to new emotional facts and social details.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Long-distance messages or announcements from old friends are on the agenda this week. Early Tuesday, watch for unexpected invitations or social facts.



Friends and lovers may wish to clearly state their emotional goals or short-term plans. Some Scorpios, especially those born late in October, may also encounter a rare flirtation or new workplace attraction. If so, remain cautious.

Before the end of February, social and romantic triangles will not be easily resolved.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).



Public comments and social criticism are mildly annoying this week. Over the next four days, expect friends or work mates to boldly offer uninformed opinions. Try your best to avoid controversy. Unrealistic business and social suggestions require special diplomacy. After midweek, creative problem-solving will be extremely helpful in ongoing family disputes. Gently ask loved ones to fully participate in home or financial decisions. All is well.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Social invitations may lead to surprising business opportunities.



Late Tuesday, respond quickly to changed schedules and fresh workplace introductions. Over the next three days, many Capricorns will resolve past disappointments or adopt new ambitions. Use this time to foster better work relations or research valuable job openings. After Friday, intimate discussions with loved ones are productive. Expect friends and lovers to no longer avoid serious questions.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Yesterday's relationships may be on your mind over the next few days.



Before midweek, watch for a delightful wave

of nostalgia or intuitive reflection to arrive. For some Aquarians this may actually mark the beginning of a revised social and romantic outlook. Use this time to let unproductive feelings or outdated expectations fade. Emotional intimacy and subtle invitations will be ongoing themes. Start preparing; there's much to consider.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Old memories have a strong appeal. After Tuesday, expect the comments, requests or romantic gestures of loved ones to trigger deep feelings. Intense emotions are



an indication of meaningful inner progress. Expect self-reflection to be followed by a powerful wave of romantic confidence. Many Pisceans will dramatically change their social or home obligations. Listen to all sudden insights or intuitive flashes. Your private instincts are accurate.

If your birthday is this week

Loved ones will find new ways to participate in your daily routine. Over the next nine weeks, expect new social announcements concerning family planning, group events or business schedules. Someone close may need to feel more involved in shared activities. After mid-June, watch also for sudden business or employment advancement. Planetary movements suggest that previously delayed career plans can be put into action. Expect key officials from the past to reappear and provide unique information. Late in July, romantic proposals may also arrive. Remain cautious, however, and wait for reliable promises.

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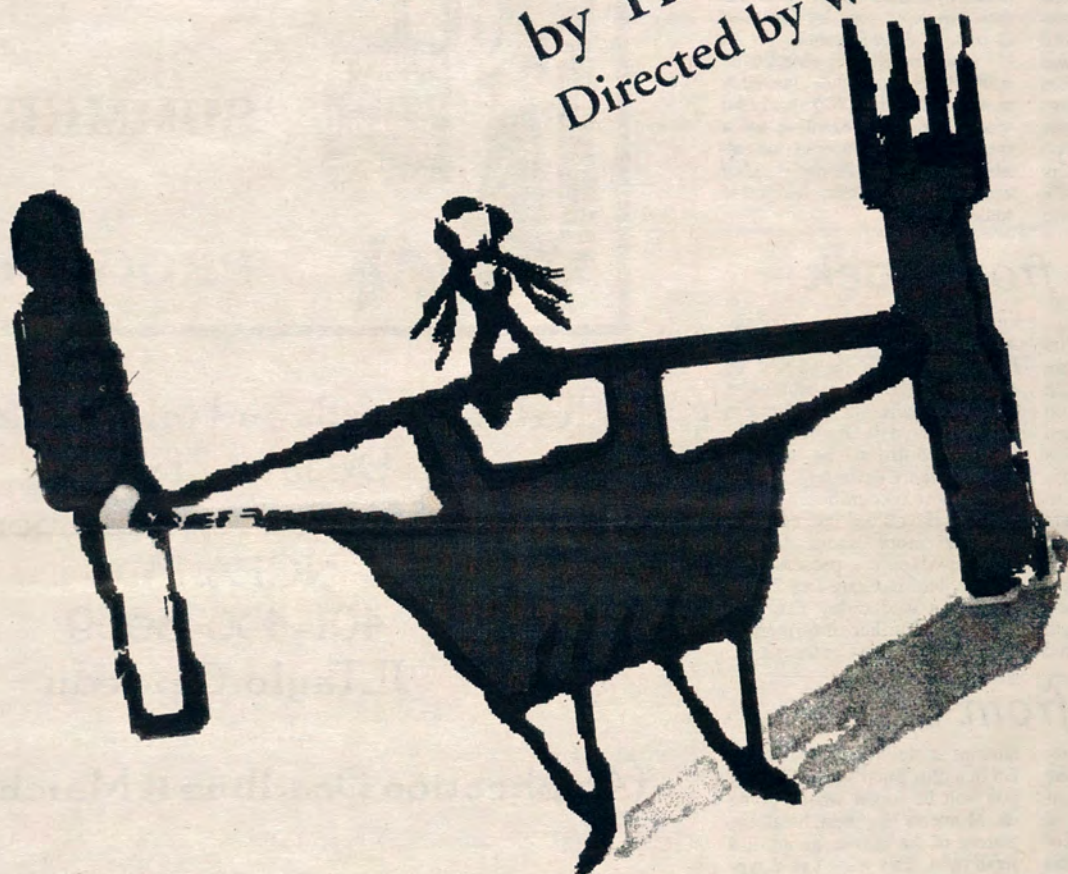
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Treasure Planet Comes to RIC.

By: Patrick Tierny
Anchor Staff

On February 19th at 12:30 and 9:30 there will be a free showing of Disney's newest animated feature, *Treasure Planet*. It was directed by John Musker and Ron Clements, who were the directors of *Aladdin* and *The Great Mouse Detective*. The film stars Joseph Gordon-Levitt (Tommy from TV's "3rd Rock From The Sun"). There are many other well known

stars in this film including David Hyde Pierce (Niles from "Frasier"). The music was composed by James Newton Howard and includes a song by The Goo Goo Dolls' John Rzeznik.

The Plot is fairly simple, the story of *Treasure Island* has been moved out of the 1700's and into space. They are searching for a specific planet instead of an island. *Treasure Planet* is filled with funny moments and awesome animation.

Fisher from back

seven, and was the first African-American detective story. His short stories and essays were equally as daring. He often wrote about the sudden adoption of black culture by whites and their flooding of Harlem clubs as the scene became fashionable, noting wryly in 1927 in "The Caucasian Storms Harlem", "Negro stock is going up, and everybody's buying."

Today, his works, especially short stories such as "Miss Cynthie" and "The South Lingers On", are often included

anthologies of African-American literature, and many have argued that he should be given a much more prominent place in studies of the Harlem Renaissance. His significant and unique contributions to this movement are definitely deserving of more recognition.

If you are interested in learning more about Fisher, Sumner-Mack's presentation will be held in Craig-Lee 255 at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, February 26th. For further information, contact the Unity Center.

Dean from back

appeals to everyone. It had plenty of romance and love for anyone who likes sensitive subject matter, but that's not all. It's filled with comedy and action for people who don't do romance. This makes the movie a good balance for fair viewing.

The reason I like this movie is that it's a tongue-in-cheek revision of classic fairy tales. Sure, it has magic, sword fights, happily-ever-after, and all of that, but also, it has parodies of these. For instance, Vizzini, the evil genius, decides to play a game of wits against the Dread Pirate Roberts by having the pirate pour poison into a goblet, from which one will drink. What follows is the longest

attempt at stalling I can remember in a film, but it's so well done, you will be forget what's going on. Moments like these break the pattern of the movie, giving it a fresh twist. This wasn't your typical fairy tale.

For a great movie to watch with your special someone of that special day, I recommend *The Princess Bride*. It is bound to bring up memories for those of you who've watched it before and it's bound to make new memories for those who haven't. From the first scene to the last, you'll be taken to a far away land of magic, excitement...and learning, such as the importance of a wheel barrel.

Novel from back

It's interesting, because while the book's about the character Death, it also deals with the concept. Everything from what the afterlife is like for an atheist to how we are judged by our actions is dealt with. Granted, this is all from a fantasy writer, but they do inspire thought. After a while, you get the feeling that this maybe how the afterlife works and what we will all go through. It really does change some thoughts.

The book also has a plot where Zane falls in love with a woman named Luna. Luna is destined to radically affect the way peace is in society, but this doesn't sit well with Satan. So, the Evil One tries to rush her death, which potentially creates a paradox within the universe.

Pretty heavy reading as one man's love could ruin the universe.

In the end, this is a good read, because it not only entertains, but it also makes you think. For most people, death is not a popular subject to talk about, but after reading this, you might feel a little more at ease at how the process works. And also, if you want to read the continuation of this novel, it is part one of a series called *Incarnations of Immortality*, which define how the universe works. The second book, *Bearing An Hour Glass*, deals with Time, which is similar to death.

In the end though, it should be read as it just might scare the life into you.

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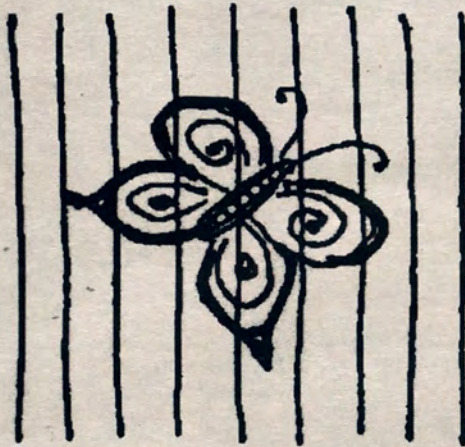
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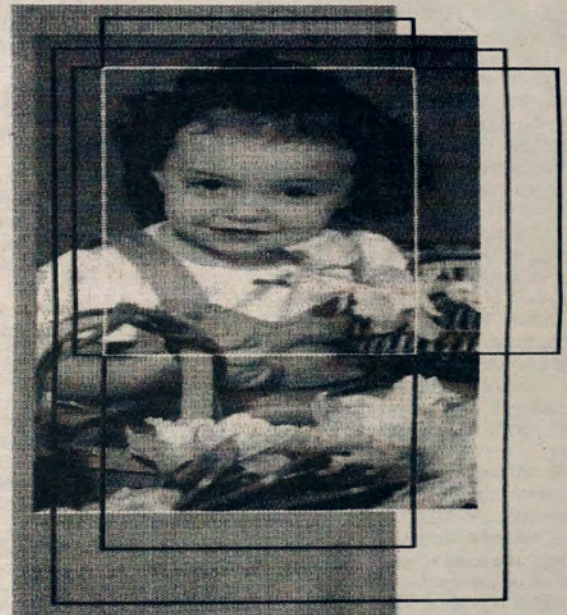


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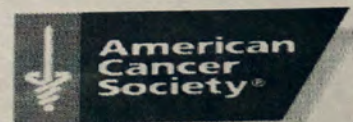
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By: J.D. Salisbury
Anchor Editor

For this week, I wanted to do something special for Valentine's Day. I thought for a while on what I thought was my favorite 80s romance. After about ten minutes, I had an answer in the form of number 88 on the American Film Institute's Top 100 Love Stories. That movie is *The Princess Bride*.

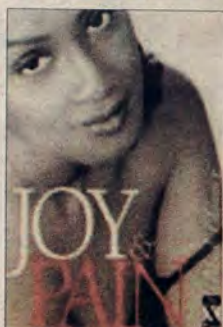
The plot of the movie was based on the novel of the same name by William Goldman. Buttercup (Robin Wright, Jenny from *Forrest Gump*) is a country girl who constantly picks on her farm hand, Wesley (Cary Elwes, Robin Hood: Men in Tights). Wesley never complains, as Buttercup soon learns he is in love with her. This revelation leads her to learn that she is in love with him.

All is not well though, as Wesley soon goes out to see and is "killed" by the Dread Pirate Roberts. Upset over her loss, Buttercup loses herself and ends up the betrothed of Prince Humperdink (Chris Sarandon, *Nightmare Before Christmas*), a vile man with vile plans. Buttercup is kidnapped though before the wedding by Vizzini (Wallace Shawn, *Toy Story*), a criminal mastermind and his group of ne'er-do-wells, including Fezzik (Andre the Giant), a...well, giant, and Inigo Montoya (Mandy Patinkin, TV's "Chicago Hope"), a swordsman bent on avenging his father's death. Strangely enough, Buttercup is rescued by these villains by the very man who killed Wesley, the Dread Pirate Roberts. All is not it seems though, as the pirate turns out to be Wesley. The lovers' reunion is cut short though as a royal scheme is unveiled that it would take the use of a wheel barrel to undo.

This is a great Valentine's Day movie because it

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Man Connects RI to Harlem Renaissance



By: Annalisa Moretti
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Many times, the events of history seem far away from our small state. However, Providence spawned a leading figure in the Harlem Renaissance. Rudolph Fisher was a respected contemporary of Langston Hughes, Countee Cullen, and Zora Neale Hurston, and he spent his life pushing the boundaries of racial limitations with his words. In two weeks, Nan Sumner-Mack, a librarian from the John Carter Brown Library, will be speaking at Rhode Island College about this man's life and work.

Born in Washington, DC, Fisher grew up in Providence and went to school here. His academic history is a testament to his brilliance: he graduated from Classical High School with honors, and then went on to Brown University, an incredible achievement for anyone, anytime, let alone for a black man in 1915. He won numerous prizes at Brown, mostly for his public speaking skills, representing Brown at a competition at Harvard in 1917, and delivering a speech at his own commencement ceremonies a few years later. He earned degrees in English and biology with honors at Brown, and went on to earn highest honors studying medicine at Howard University in Washington, DC. He taught radiology briefly at Columbia University and then went to Harlem and set up his own practice there. All this time, however, he was honing his writing skills, publishing short stories in magazines, which soon began to attract attention. His first novel, *The Walls of Jericho*, made quite an impression. In it, he was sharply critical of the black bourgeoisie and their attitude towards the black lower-class. The book was condemned by civil rights activist W. E. B. Du Bois for this, but Langston Hughes had nothing but praise for it and its message. Fisher's second novel, *The Conjure-Man Dies*, was published a year before his premature death at the age of thirty-

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A Novel Idea



Reaping What I Did Not Sow

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In a culture obsessed with death, *On a Pale Horse* by Piers Anthony gives a rather unique view of how death is integral to our society. Sure, it is a necessary part of life, as we all die, but this book goes beyond that...Wait, let me back up...

On a Pale Horse follows Zane, a down-on-his-luck type of guy who just watched as his one chance for true love passed him by. Frustrated because of this, Zane decides he doesn't have any reason to live anymore and attempts suicide. Right as he is about to pull the trigger, Zane sees a figure lurking in the shadows and ends up showing him. Not such a good move...

The figure turns out to be the Grim Reaper. Yes, that's right, Death himself. And not just that, but Zane killed him. Death's dead, leaving an absence of the concept of death on Earth. This means no one can die until there is a new Reaper and apparently Zane's going to have to take up the scythe, seeing as how he killed the old one...

This book is well done, because it has an engaging plot like this. A new man has to take up the role of Death and learn the ideology about how and why people die. This works out, because it actually was the reason the book was written.

Rumor has it that Piers Anthony wanted to write a book about his philosophy on death, but his publisher would not buy the rights to such a book, because Anthony is an accomplished fantasy writer. Still wanting to get his book published, he dressed it up as a fantasy of a man who becomes Death and has to learn the truth about how life and death work together.

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Reel Review

Animal House Version 2

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Many people were wary of "SNL" veteran Will Ferrell leaving the cast to pursue a career in film. Sure, there were some who did great, the most recent notable member being Mike Myers, but there were also flops, such as Tim Meadows, who's last two projects, *The Ladies Man* (which was based on his "SNL" character) and "The Michael Richards Show" did not achieve any notoriety. I had the image of the Tim Meadows scenario as I went with a heavy heart to see the new "college" film, *Old School*. Thankfully, I was shown that Ferrell has done well.

The movie follows a group of friends: Mitch (Luke Wilson, *Charlie's Angels*), Beanie (Vince Vaughn, *Swingers*), and Frank (Ferrell) as they decide to reevaluate their lives. Mitch has just gotten out of an incredibly bad relationship. Frank has just gotten married and has trouble adjusting to his new life.

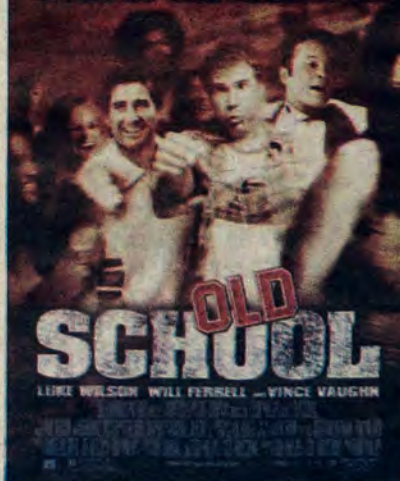
Beanie...well, he's married with two kids and is a multi-millionaire. Because of this, Beanie finances a party entitled "Mitch-A-Poolzo" to get Mitch back on the dating scene. After this wild night, the Dean of the local college (Jeremy Piven, *Black Hawk Down*) who also happened to be the boy who was bullied by Mitch and the boys, informs the trio that Mitch's house has been rezoned to only accommodate college housing needs.

Beanie, being the friend he is, offers a bit of advice on how to keep help Mitch keep his home and rekindle his spirit: turn the house into a fraternity.

This begins a series of hazing and partying that most kids wish college was like. From a very unique style of trust exercises to KY Jelly wrestling, these people don't stop...which leads to problems...

First, there's Mitch, who

ALL THE FUN OF COLLEGE.
NONE OF THE EDUCATION.



has the girl he was obsessed with in high school return. The problem with this is he's now a thirty year old lawyer who runs

a frat, so she doesn't believe he's all that desirable. Then, there's Frank, who's infant marriage is starting to crumble. As Frank becomes more and more involved with the frat life, he's sinking into his old "Frank the Tank" personality of a hardcore drunk. And Beanie...well, what doesn't go wrong for Beanie would be more like it, as he tries to seduce women, while trying to hide his mental shortcomings.

This movie could easily be compared to the 1978 classic *Animal House*. A group of lone party goes against the manipulations of a dean who wants them out is the theme of both movies and they both do it well. Both have a lovable alumni of "SNL" playing the party animal, from John Belushi's Bluto to Ferrell's Frank the Tank. Both have to overcome academic probation to win their place in the college's

heart. And both have a man sleeping with a high school student.

To get back to the point I was originally trying to make, Ferrell here steals the movie. His character, Frank, has some of the most outrageous, yet hilarious moments of the film. From hearing him brag about this beloved "Red Dragon" to an experience with a tranquilizer dart (which is shown in the trailer, but far funnier in the actual film), he never stops. He even has an experience as a stalker in the film, which serves no purpose other than to have Ferrell run around like an idiot.

With cameos by man celebrities such as Snoop Dogg, Juliet Lewis, Craig Kilborn, Seann William Scott, and Andy Dick, *Old School* gives us a new, twisted take on the college tradition. From scene to scene, fans of outrageous comedies will be laughing their head off. If this is the type of movie that Will Ferrell left "SNL" for, then maybe it wasn't a bad thing at all.