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## Student Union Under Fire Union Heads Respond To Scrutiny Surrounding Recent Proposal

By: Jamie J. Pachomski & Jacqueline Crevier  
Anchor Editors

Campus Center Director Brian Allen recently proposed changes to the existing Late Night Event policy that would end events earlier and require approval for advertising because of the litany of "inflammatory reports" from security and misinformation placed in several event advertisements. The proposal will be reviewed by the Student Union Campus Advisory Board on April 19 at 12:30 p.m. in Student Union Room 307. Representatives from student organizations are encouraged to attend.

"We needed to look at how everything functioned," said Allen. He emphasized, "It is not the students or the student organizations that I have a problem with, but I have already been charged with having implemented this policy change," said Allen. He noted that this proposal has been an "evolving" one.

Allen said most local bars close at 1 a.m. and that non-RIC students come on campus intoxicated looking for fun. Examining other school policies like University of Rhode Island whose union closes at midnight, Allen added, "We seem to be the furthest out on the limb, when it comes to this late-night policy," he said. "We don't want to be known as the 'late night' place to hang out."

The current policy includes all events continuing past midnight which outline the following criteria: no one shall be admitted or readmitted after 1 a.m., the event must end before 2 a.m. and the building must be cleared before 3 a.m. "I wondered, is there really a need to hold a function until 3 or 4 in the morning?" added Allen.

And Allen has backing on this issue. Director of Security and Chief of Campus Police Cy Cote said from a secu-

rity standpoint, the late night parties in the Student Union are "open-door invitations for trouble," because they run late.

"We're almost guaranteed to have problems. Once the bars close, people are just looking for somewhere else to go. So, where do they come?" he said. Cote added, "Students have left trash and flyers in and outside the building and we've found many bottles outside the building. We've also had reports of fights at these events." Cote noted, "It's bad for the students who just want to have some fun on campus." He reiterated that "outsiders" have created more of a problem than anyone and that ultimately administration is just looking out for the best interests of the students.

Another issue with late night events has been in the advertisements created by some student organizations. Student Activities Director Kristen Salemi notes that it's not the pictures that are printed on the ads, but the "lack of clarity" that is causing problems.

"When students from given organizations print up advertising cards, I like to see the source, who is putting on the event and what time the doors close," said Salemi. She feels that is important to make the source clear so they "can be the source for credit of good events as well as complaints." Salemi also suggested that those organizations that have grievances with the proposal should come to the April 19 meeting in "a mature manner." "Be respectful and lay it out, that is the way to present yourself," she explained. Advisory Board Member Paul Pereira also encouraged organizations to attend the meeting. "We want to know how the new policy will affect their organization," he said.

Some student organizations are incensed by the new proposal, however.

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## A Point in the Right Direction

By: Jackie Crevier  
Anchor Editor

Got Points? Students, who are not familiar with this phrase, can learn more at a Got Points Kick-off Informational Session/dessert party that will be held this Wednesday, April 14 from 8 to 9 p.m. in the Weber Hall Lounge.

Got Points is a student-run program that is in conjunction with the Donovan Dining Center, that enables resident students to use left-over meal plan points as a donation towards the purchase of non-perishable items to help feed families in need. This session will kick-off the program which will run until May 1.

This is the second year run for the Got Points Program. Two Rhode Island College students, Suzy Alba and Abbey Brooks, who are both from the Class of 2005, created this program. "We were sitting at lunch one day and we thought that it was such a waste that people had left-over meal points," began Alba, who is also the President of the Class of 2005. "We thought if we put the meal points together we could buy goods and donate them to the hungry." Alba explained that students pay a "flat rate" at the beginning of each school year, for room and board, which includes the meal plan. Students have the option to choose either board or points. Those who choose meal plans that have points have the option to donate points that they have not used. Alba had also observed at the end of the semester, that students would cram the left-over points in by stocking their cars with items such as Nantucket Nectar Iced Teas, just to use up points that had been paid for.

"Last year, up until May 1, students over the course of the last month of the semester could go to the Donovan Dining Office on the Mezzanine Level, show their Student ID and sign a form stating how many points they would like to sing

over as a donation to the program," Brooks explained.

The goal was to reach \$3,000. A grand total of \$3,255 in donated meal points was raised last year. Non-perishable goods were then purchased through Donovan Dining. The items were brought to St. Theresa's Church on Manton Avenue, which is right down the road from Rhode Island College, where families who were in need, picked up baskets of the food.

"Our goal this year is to raise 3,300," declared Alba. "We need to promote the Points Program and remind people that we have a problem of hunger in our own community." "According to the Mayors' report, Providence saw a 12 percent increase in requests for emergency food assistance and a 22 percent increase in requests for emergency shelter. The Mayors' study covers a 12-month period from December 2001 to November 2002." (RI Community Food Bank website)

Last year, a limit was not placed on individual point donations. A couple students donated bulks of points; one in particular donated 500 left-over meal points. Brooks explained that the goal this year is not only to raise money by collecting points to collect more food, but to get more students participating in the program. "We want each student to make a \$10 point donation," stated Brooks.

The two students acknowledged the fact that this year, gathering more points would prove to be more "challenging", since there is a new café in the lower level of the Student Union building. After 7 p.m. students have the option to use points at the Café as well as at Donovan. "Just think of not spending \$10 on pizza for one night," Brooks stated. "You could be feeding a family."

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## Student Community Government: Fighting the Good Fight

By: Rob Kalaskowski  
Anchor Contributor  
SCG member

Tired of showing up late to class because of a lack of parking? Worried about possible increases in tuition? Don't you wish there was someone with power on this campus that would stand up for the STUDENT's voice for once?

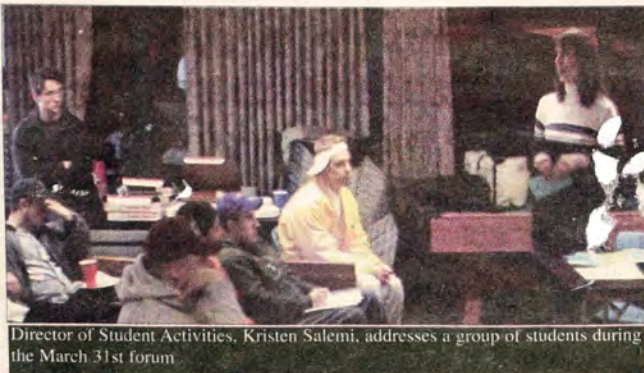
Well your wish has come true my friend. For there is a team of dedicated students on campus that are fighting these battles for you every day, as well as many more. They are the Student Community Government, and for the past \*\*\* years they have devoted countless hours to representing the students on this campus with grace and dignity, while fighting for our rights at every possible turn. Their accomplishments to the RIC community are far too numerous to mention in this small article, but rest assured, whenever you feel wronged by the col-

lege administration, whenever you think some injustice is being overlooked, Rhode Island College Student Community Government is on the job 24/7 fighting for a safer, more fun and more open college campus.

This past week, on Wednesday, March 31, the SCG held its first ever Resident Student Forum in the lounge of Sweet Hall. Here, students from all facets of the campus were able to

One of the more important pieces on this week's agenda was the creation of a new "Late Night Event Policy" created by the administration. This policy, aside providing a high school-like curfew of 11 p.m. for all events on campus that take place during the week, the legislation also seeks to monitor and censor any advertisements distributed in anticipation of the event; meaning those bootylicious postcards that you often find across the Quad advertising an upcoming dance or social event might be banned. Organizations on campus have a hard enough time attracting crowds with these enticing advertisements, let alone without! Fearing that this may pose even the slightest abridgement of freedom of speech on campus, the SCG has taken up the cause to challenge the legislation and ensure the proper, fair, and correct balance between campus safety and the rights of RIC students.

If all goes well, you shall hear back from me bi-weekly, giving you updates on the accomplishments of RIC SCG. Rest assured there will be plenty. Eat, Drink, and be Merry.



Director of Student Activities, Kristen Salemi, addresses a group of students during the March 31st forum.

watch a Student Community Government Meeting in action and get a first hand look at what the group is accomplishing. They were not disappointed.

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## Got Points?! A Kick-off Informational Session and Dessert Party

A chance for resident students to learn more about donating left over meal points to help feed hungry families. Wednesday, April 14 Weber Lounge Hall 8 to 9 p.m.  
Be entered in a raffle to win a prize!

## COURSE IN JUDAISM TO BE OFFERED

This Fall (2004), for the first time, RIC will be offering a course on Judaism. PHILOSOPHY 250-01, technically titled "Introduction to Jewish philosophy," will meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:00-3:20. The course will include an introduction to Jewish philosophy from Biblical times to the present, in the context of the Jewish historical perspective as well as current principles and practices. The Instructor will be Rabbi Ben Lefkowitz, adjunct instructor in philosophy and part of the Campus Ministry Team. For further information, please call x1951

## Movie Night: The Last Samurai

Wednesday, April 14, 9 p.m. Student Union Ballroom  
FREE refreshments!  
Sponsored by RIC Programming x 8045

## Escape to Vegas: Spring Cotillion Semi-Formal Dance

Friday, April 16, 6:30 to midnight  
Dinner at 7 p.m.  
Providence Marriott  
\$20 for tickets at the SU Info Desk  
Sponsored by RSA x 8240

## Six Flags Trip

Saturday, April 17, 10 a.m. - 11 p.m.  
Bus at SU Loop  
\$15 tickets at SU Info Desk  
Sponsored by the Class of 2006

## The Evasons: The World's Greatest Mind Readers

Monday, April 19, 8 p.m. FREE!!  
Gaige Auditorium  
Sponsored by RIC Programming x 8045

## Hollywood 101 (A Reality Check) with

Michael Cool and Ace Amerson followed by a Casting Call  
Tuesday, April 20, 8 p.m. FREE!!  
Gaige Auditorium  
Sponsored by RIC Programming

## Mike Super: Magician and Illusionist

Wednesday, April 21, 8 p.m. FREE!!  
Gaige Auditorium  
Sponsored by RIC Programming

## April 21, Spring 2004 Diversity Symposium

Urvashi Vaid will speak on LGBT Politics in Gaige Auditorium from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

## Real World Game Show: Family Feud,

C.T. from Paris, Cameron for San Diego and Theo from Chicago vs. RIC students followed by a Celebrity Meet and Greet.  
Thursday, April 22  
Gaige Auditorium  
Sponsored by RIC Programming

## Canoe Trip on Wood River

Saturday, April 24, 10 - 5

## Bus leaves and returns to SU Loop

\$9/ RIC student  
\$17/ non-RIC student  
Tickets at Rec Center or SU Info Desk  
Sponsored by RIC Aquatics and Student Activities

## Cap and Gown Announced

I am pleased to announce that the Class of 2004 has selected Jacqueline (Jackie) Crevier to bring greetings to her fellow degree candidates at this year's Cap and Gown Convocation, to be held on Wednesday, April 28. Lloyd Matsumoto has been honored by the class with an invitation to deliver the main address. Please join us for the event, which traditionally opens the College's commencement season.  
Kathryn Sasso

## Happy 150th Birthday R.I. College-End of Year Dinner

Thursday, April 29, 4 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres  
4:45 buffet dinner  
Admission: Plans A + B = one meal  
Plans C + D = \$7.50  
Campus Community = \$10  
Sponsored by DDC, Graphics, Programming, WXIN and Campus Center

## May 12 - Campus Community Sesquicentennial Picnic

Tickets are now available through May 5, at the Roberts Hall Box Office, Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## SENIOR WEEK!!!!!!

Sponsored by the Class of 2004!!!  
(RIC Students Only!! Open to Seniors and Underclassmen)

## TICKETS CAN ALL BE PURCHASED AT THE STUDENT UNION INFO DESK

## Montreal Trip

Saturday, May 8 to Monday, May 10  
\$25 per ticket  
Motor coach leaves Parking Lot J at 6 a.m. and will return Monday at 8 p.m.  
(price includes round trip, hotel accommodations for 2 nights at the Holiday Inn)

## Pawtucket Red Sox Versus Red Barons

Tuesday, May 11  
\$5 per ticket  
Motor coach leaves SU Loop at 9 a.m. and will return to RIC around 3:30 p.m.  
(price includes transportation, ticket to game and BBQ)

## The Medieval Manor Theatre Restaurant, Boston, MA

Tuesday, May 11  
\$10 per ticket  
Must be 21 years of age or older  
Motor coach leaves SU Loop at 5 p.m. and will return to RIC around midnight.  
(price includes transportation and a six course dinner)

## Senior BBQ

Friday, May 14  
11:30 a.m.  
FREE!! ALL YOU CAN EAT!!!!  
Outside Donovan Dining Center on the Quad

## Aquatic Programs and Special Events

Would you feel better about wearing

your Summer clothes if you lost 10 pounds? It is more likely that you will keep the weight off if you lose only about a pound per week. Here's an easy way and sensible way to do it. The first day of Summer is a little more than 10 weeks away. One hour of water aerobics burns about 250 calories from your daily diet x 7 days per week = 1750 calories.

Subtract 250 calories from your daily diet x 7 days per week = 1750 calories. Together they add up to 3500 calories which = 1 pound. Make the commitment. You can do it. Water aerobics classes are offered six days per week. Mondays and Wednesdays 9 AM, noon and 5 PM Tuesdays and Thursdays noon and 5 PM Fridays 9 AM, noon Saturdays 9 AM

## Don't miss Water Volleyball,

Wednesday, April 14 from 1 to 2 p.m. It's a blast!!  
If you are thinking about trying a triathlon this Summer, sign up for **Swim Coaching for Triathletes**. Thursday, May 6 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. You will get ideas for how to train and tips for swimming in open water.

Apply now for **Summer lifeguard jobs** at the Recreation Center. The season starts May 10. Pay is \$10 per hour. Applicants Must have current Life guarding, First Aid, CPR, and RI State Certifications. AED is preferred.

**The American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor (WSI)** course will be offered May 10-18. Students can become certified to teach all levels of the Learn to Swim and Water Safety Program. Times and fees to be announced.

For more information about aquatic activities, please call Alan at 456-8227 or Janice 456-8238.

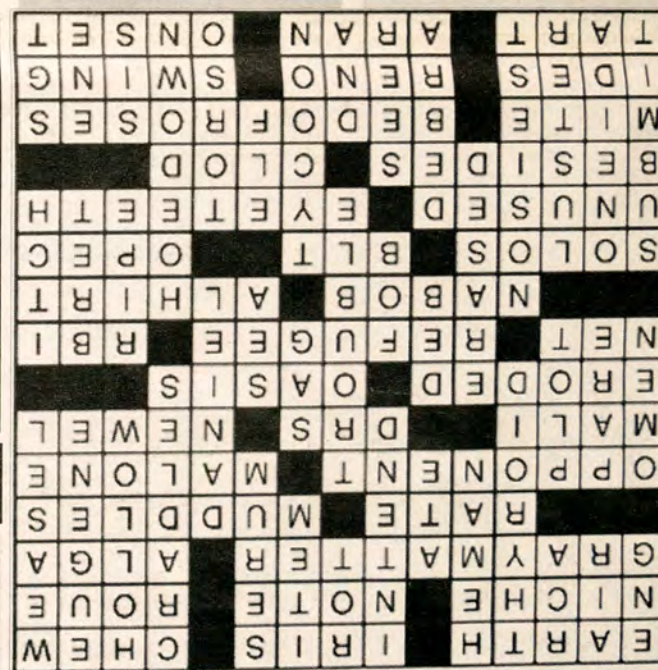
Hi Honey,

We are, each of us, an angel with only one wing, and we can fly only by embracing each other. Thanks for your help. You are the BEST

Love,  
Mom



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## UNION from cover

RIC Radio WXIN General Manager Ariana Testa argues that if the new proposal is passed, her station would incur a financial blow. "Seventy-five percent of our money is party-generated revenue. If this proposal goes into effect, we could lose money," she said.

But Student Union Assistant Director of Operations and Services Mark Paolucci disagrees with Testa. "If making money is a problem for these organizations, they need to negotiate with the people that are managing them. It is certainly more difficult to make money now as opposed to in the past, but this is a student government issue," he said. Paolucci suggested that student organizations "be creative" in generating revenue for themselves. He added, "We define success not by how many people show up for an event, but rather if it was well-planned, incident-free and a good experience overall."

Laura Mulholland, president of Rainbow Alliance, reacted to the proposed approval to event advertising. "We often use controversial phrasing and a 'play-on-words' approach to attract members to

join our organization. The way we phrase things could easily be denied," she said. Mulholland also said that the time guidelines are "ridiculous" and that faculty advisors should not have to attend these events. "They are not chaperones," she said. "I feel like I had more freedom in high school."

Salemi reinforced that this is not an attack on student organizations and said that administration "often goes to bat for students." Paolucci also added that, the way The Anchor reacted to the proposal was a "slap in the face" to the administration that is trying to go through the process of giving students a chance to voice their opinion. He also felt that last week's depiction of the policy on The Anchor front page was "disrespectful to Brian and the committee." "It is a proposal," reminded Paolucci.

Allen said he will "listen to feedback" after the advisory board meeting. "I will listen to what is reasonable," he said. After the meeting, he will send his proposal to Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Gary Penfield. Allen added, "If the issue is controversial, it may or may not be reviewed by

President Nazarian."

If the new proposal is passed, late night events held by organizations in the Student Union can expect the following changes:

All late night events held during the week will end by 11:00 p.m. and 1 a.m. on the weekend instead of 2:00 a.m. for any day of the week.

The building must be emptied during the week by 12:00 a.m. and 2 a.m. on the weekend instead of 3:00 a.m. for any day of the week.

A sign-in sheet must be submitted to the Office of Student Activities on the Monday following the event, with a statement of how the event went including number of attendees, comments on security, problems encountered, etc.

All advertising for the event must be approved by the Office of Student Activities before dissemination including the name of all sponsoring organizations, who will be admitted, start, end and last admission times and when and where tickets for the event will be posted.

The faculty/staff advisor should be present by the sponsor and security detail.

# NEWS

## DIRECTION from cover

"We are holding this information session this Wednesday, to get more students involved," Alba continued. Those who attend and stay at the session to learn more about the Got Points Program, will automatically be entered in a raffle to win a prize gift pack. The winner will be selected that night. In addition to this raffle, any student who donates \$10 in points will be entered in a second raffle for another prize gift pack. "You really have three chances to win a prize," stated Brooks.

There is going to be a contest to see which resident hall raises the most money for the program. Alba explained that the prize will most likely not be more than a \$500 value. "We will find out what the winning resident hall needs, whether it is a DVD player, a VCR, a hockey

table, etc.," she added.

"This program is very important, so we need to get the word out," Alba continued. They urge as many students as possible to attend this session in Weber Hall Lounge. "We need the students to help and we need to ask for sponsors to help us out financially, with both the support and for the funds of the raffle prizes." Although personal donations cannot be accepted, any support from any department, club or organization on campus will be "greatly appreciated."

The Got Points Program is sponsored by Donovan Dining Center, RSA, Campus Center and the Class of 2005. For more information please contact either Suzy Alba or Abbey Brooks or go to RICpoints@yahoo.com.

## RIC students participate in Leadership Weekend

By: Dave Cranshaw and Suzy Alba  
Anchor Contributors

Twenty-three Rhode Island College students had the opportunity to learn more about themselves, their fellow students at the College and what they can do in leadership roles on campus as part of the Leadership Weekend program from March 19-21 at Camp Woodstock in Woodstock, Connecticut.

This was the first Leadership Weekend held since spring 2002. The Office of Student Activities and Student Community Government (SCG) sponsored the trip that was extended this year to two nights and three days.

"One of the best out-of-classroom experiences that we can provide to our students are opportunities for their personal and leadership development," said Kristen Salemi, director of student activities.

The sessions exposed students to new ideas concerning motivating large groups, setting personal goals, and assessing their own leadership methods. The program also allowed the participants to reflect upon their desired direction in life and helped to prioritize what they feel is most important.

"I learned more about the type of leader that I am," said sophomore Julie Sylvia an elementary education major. "In learning about other people, I learned more about myself."

It also gave students the opportunity to meet people they

otherwise would not necessarily connect with on campus.

"The diversity in the cultural backgrounds and life experiences of the students who attended really added to their interaction and learning," said Salemi.

The facilitator of the program, Michael Miller, urged the leaders to consider what their opportunities are. "You need to see them in order to throw your life in that direction," he said.

Miller has a long history of

passionate commitment to students. It is clear that Miller's message had a great impact on the students.

"I would have to rate this experience as a 10," said sophomore elementary education major Jillian Rubino.

Through their participation in the program, these students showed that they are willing to put the necessary time and effort to position themselves on the fast track to success in the future.



**BECOMING LEADERS:** Twenty-three RIC students spend the weekend of March 19-21 at Camp Woodstock in Connecticut to learn different leadership techniques that could be brought back to student organizations at RIC.

working in student affairs at the college level specializing in areas such as leadership development, student government and student media most recently at Quinnipiac University in Connecticut.

He translated his energy and enthusiasm into a full time consulting career, traveling cost to cost to motivate people with his compelling messages and his

"I applaud those who took the time out of their busy schedules to make it a priority to attend, because they realized the value in it," said Salemi.

The hope is that SCG at RIC will continue to play an integral role in planning future leadership weekends for RIC students as it is clear Leadership Weekend 2004 was an invaluable experience for all involved.

## Phylum Party was a Success

By: Forrester Safford  
Anchor Staff

On Thursday, March 25 from 5-7:30 p.m., a little over 200 people showed up at the Fogarty Life Science Biology Lounge where a phylum party took place. Phylum, as defined by [www.dictionaty.com](http://www.dictionaty.com) is "a primary division of a kingdom, as of the animal kingdom, ranking next above a class in size." That being said, the dishes that were served at judged at the Phylum Party were not our everyday normal dishes.



A dish from the Phylum party hosted by the Biology Department... I'll take 10 please!

In total at the party there were between 40-48 dishes that covered just about every level of the animal kingdom. Chef Frank Terranova, a cooking instructor at Johnson & Wales University but probably most known for his daily "Cooking with Class" segment on Channel 10 judged the dishes at the party. Chef Terranova picked two students as winners for their dishes in two categories. Holly Dirks won "tastiest dish," for her plate of escar-

got and Brendan Ecklund won "most unusual dish," for his plate of habanera brownies. Inside the brownies one would find luscious ground up meal worms and the brownies were topped off with the worms also. This however and surprisingly is not why Ecklund's dish won "most unusual dish." He won because not only were there worms in the brownies there were also hot peppers that although were not too hot, they certainly crept up on you later. Therefore, it was the hot peppers and not the meal worms that made the brownies unusual.

According to Professor of Biology Dr. Lloyd Matsumoto, the Phylum Party which cost \$5.00 per ticket for students, \$10.00 per ticket for faculty, staff and parents, and \$20.00 per ticket for administrators, attracted administrators such as Dean Weiner, the Dean of our Liberal Arts program, Dan King, who is RIC's Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dr. John Nazarian, the President of Rhode Island College. Dr. Matsumoto noted that Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Gary Penfield was conspicuous by his absence.

The party was a great place for people to think and learn about foods that we as Americans would not think to be "normal." By night's end, Dr. Matsumoto felt that the people who did show up for the event had a "better understanding concerning the diversity of foods" that people of other cultures consider to be everyday meals.

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# Sports

## THE WORLD ACCORDING TO JIMMY: R.I.C. SPIRIT (RIDICULOUSLY INDESCRIBABLE CRAP)

By: James Bessette  
Anchor Staff

### It's Crunch Time for the Sharks

By Paul J. Spetrini  
Anchor Editor

Being a sports fan in New England can be a difficult task. Unless you shell out the money to buy the expensive satellite program packages, it's extremely rare to be able to follow any team outside of the general Boston market. Now, I don't

changes brought even they couldn't have imagined. This year, the sharks went on a rampage. They finished the regular season 43-21-12, compiling 104 points and finished up on an 8-2 run to give them plenty of momentum for postseason action.

By luck of the draw, they got to go against bitter rival St. Louis. The Blues and Sharks seem to meet each other on a yearly basis once the games really start to matter. This year, the Blues barely found their way into the playoffs, but managed to go 10-3-2-0 mark in their last fifteen games and finished on a four-game winning streak. The difference in this series is that San Jose has home ice advantage, and they have been impressive in their own backyard. They have only lost 8 times at home, where their fans are known to go crazy for their beloved



San Jose Sharks right winger Niko Dimitrakos

know about you, but I don't like to limit myself to four teams to tame my sports obsession. There's only so much you can take, and following a team like the Bruins can be as boring as watching repeats of paint dry...if you're watching it backwards and without sound.

But, luckily, there is this little thing called the playoffs that can make you forget how much your market teams suck. For me, it's the one chance I get to follow hockey. The one chance I get to watch my favorite team, the San Jose Sharks, dish out punishment on any other squad that thinks they can compete. All year long, I've had to sit back and follow my team through the newspaper, and seeing their standings or reading a recap of the game, just doesn't do the team justice.

I've been a sharks fan since they first came out. Granted, the majority of that time, I was a little kid who just liked the logo (they debuted in 1991...when I was in first grade), but in the years that have followed, I have become familiar with the roster and have put them in my lists of teams I religiously follow. It's sad that I have to wait until the postseason to truly follow them the way they were meant to be, but by then, I know that the team has had a good year and can root for them to take it all.

This year, the Sharks are primed to hoist Lord Stanley's cup for the first time in franchise history. After being disappointed for many years by inching closer and closer to their goal, they are in a prime position this year. As of press time, the Sharks were the number two seed in the western conference, by far the highest they have ever placed. After seven straight years of improvement in points total, the Sharks closed out the 2002-2003 year with a disappointing 28-37-9 record. The team went through a revamping, dropping former captain Owen Nolan and many others in favor of a younger, more vigorous roster. What the

franchise. Unlike many NHL teams now-a-days, the Sharks faithful rarely fail to show up. The majority of Sharks games at home this season have been sell-outs, something that most teams can't compete with.

How does this all factor into the Sharks first playoff series of the year? Well, tune in and find out. Watching a sharks home playoff game is nothing short of unbelievable. The fans are in it from opening face off to the closing bell, providing a site that would make any sports fan proud. The crowd rarely leaves, even when victory is most certainly not attainable. It provides for one of the best sights in all of hockey, with a sold out Shark Tank waving their rally towels and cheering for their favorite players. How St. Louis, and any other team for that matter, expects to play well while there is unknown. The Sharks are one of those rare teams that comes to play when they have fan support, and with the way things have turned out this season, it's hard to think that this is going to change at all for the rest of the year.

The San Jose Sharks are one of the biggest surprises of this NHL season. In a time when most people associate the NHL with their ever worsening financial situation, this team has gone out and played better than ever. They have weathered all of the talk about struggling support by rallying with their fans to bring them closer to the team. They have been able to keep their fans by going out there and playing well, setting a model for others to follow. The hard work they have done in the time that they have been in the league makes it worth the hard work that people like myself have to do to track their progress. I'll be rooting for them throughout the course of this postseason, because I know that, as a true fan, they need all the support they can get to keep going on the track that they are on, and that track will hopefully include a championship banner.

Ever since I've been ranting in raving about certain issues in the sports world, they would usually be in regards to topics that happen in other colleges, or in professional sports, such as MLB, NFL, NHL, NBA, and so on. This week, it's a little different. Nothing really made me unhappy in the professional aspect of sports, so what's one to do? Hmmm. Man, where's the Jeopardy theme music when you need it?

Ah, cue the light bulb. This week, the focus is on everyone's "favorite" college campus in the whole world: RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE!!! If you read last week's edition of *The Anchor*, you might have noticed on the front page a copy of a proposal that was given to the Student Union Campus Advisory Board. It was in regards to changes that could take effect next fall on how events that are run by student organizations on campus could go. From regulating any advertisements prior to publication on either WXIN or *The Anchor*, to ending the events very early in the evenings, these changes look to shakeup the way many organizations on campus run themselves.

Now, you're asking yourself: What the hell does this have to do with sports? The answer is: a lot. If this policy goes into affect, you'll notice it immediately. It's going to result in a lot of student organizations being unable to continue the way they are now. With this new policy in place, things are only going to get worse. The school support is likely to drop as students fail to care enough to make any changes.

Last week, our Executive Editor, Cliff Rebelo, voiced his displeasure on the matter. One part of his statement hit me like a ton of bricks. "It's so sad that Rhode Island College barely has any school spirit when it comes to staying on campus and having a good time."

This is particularly true in the aspects of Rhode Island College Athletics. Nobody goes to the athletic events on this campus to support their teams in competition. Granted, some students work jobs in order to pay their tuition, as well as having a ton of schoolwork, but there are people who DO live on this campus that are sports fans and don't even know we have an athletic department. To prove my point,



School Spirit? What school spirit. This is the softball field behind Gaige Hall. Sadly, attendance for an event is hardly ever better than this.

here are some disturbing numbers. Since there are many different athletic programs on campus, it is difficult to get a full grasp of the situation. However, Basketball and Baseball are two of the most popular on campus, so let's use these two to show how sad the school spirit at this college truly is.

The Murray Center has a seating capacity of 2,200 for Men's and Women's Basketball. The Men's team played host eight times this past season. The "grand" total of fans that have had the pleasure of watching RIC Men's Basketball: 1,880. If you took all of the people that attended a game, and put them together, you wouldn't even sell-out one game. Disgusting! Absolutely Disgusting! The Women's team didn't fair any better. They played ten games at "The Murray," and their season total of attendance was 2,635. This makes me even more upset than the Men's team, because the Women, prior to this season, won a grand total of eight games in two years, and probably had the same attendance. This year, the Women made it to the second round of the Little East Tournament. And a strong showing of 311 people came to witness the team's first round victory. Calling all vomit bags.

At the Baseball Field, the seating capacity is 800. I'll cut the team some slack due to the weather not being entirely "spring-like", but the key word there is "some." Through four games at the Field behind Gaige Hall, a grand total of 331 people have seen a RIC Baseball game. WHAT'S THE PROBLEM, PEOPLE?

I get so physically upset when I watch other college

teams on television, like Duke, Kentucky, and Notre Dame. Now, those are the bigger scale teams. But, for crying out loud, Providence, and URI are right on our borders, and their fans pack their respective arenas, and have a blast doing so. Meanwhile, at RIC, the crickets drown out however many people are in attendance, or are out shown by the opposition's players and fans coming to RIC to root against us.

RIC doesn't have the "Murray Crazies" that can cause a ruckus at basketball games. RIC doesn't have mini shantytowns built outside of the Baseball Field in order to get tickets twenty-four hours before they go on sale. That's the college atmosphere I looked forward to when I began here four years ago, and I am just so disappointed that I wasn't able to have that experience in the four years here.

I'm calling out every sports fan on this campus, whether you are into professional or collegiate sports, it doesn't matter. Listen up. Within the next couple years, make the effort to show some support for Rhode Island College sports teams. Filling the Murray Center to a 15 percent capacity for basketball or baseball isn't going to work anymore. Put the books down for a couple of hours and enjoy yourself, for once. Amazing things can happen when you attend something on this campus and get involved. One sporting event can change the attitude you might have had of this campus. Sure, you might say that nothing good ever happens here, but how would you know until you step outside and actually attempt to do something?

## UpCoMiNg GaMeS

### Baseball

Apr 14th-Roger Williams University (DH) 1:30 PM  
Apr 15th-at Salve Regina University  
Apr 17th-Western Connecticut (DH) 12:00 PM

### Men's Tennis

Apr 14th-at Becker College 4:00 PM  
Apr 17th-at Southern Maine 1:00 PM  
Apr 19th-at Roger Williams 4:00 PM

### Men's Outdoor Track

Apr 17th-at Solomon Husky Invite 10:00 AM  
Apr 24th-Alliance Championships 11:00 AM  
May 1st- at New England Division III Championships 11:00 AM

### Softball

Apr 17th- at Plymouth State 1:00 PM  
Apr 18th-at Southern Maine 1:00 PM  
Apr 20th- Western Connecticut 3:30 PM

### Women's Lacrosse

Apr 15th-Southern Maine 4:00 PM  
Apr 17th-Plymouth State 1:00 PM  
April 18th-Castleton State College

### Women's Outdoor Track

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### +++NEWS+++

Rhode Island College senior Kim Warrington (North Kingstown, RI) was named the Little East Conference Softball Pitcher of the Week for her performance last week. In a doubleheader sweep of Babson College, Warrington struck out ten batters and gave up just three hits in game one en route to her third consecutive victory. In the second game, she recorded the final four outs to record her second save of the season. On the year, Warrington has played in 12 games, batting .286 with eight hits, three runs, five RBI and two home runs.



# THIS ACE DEALS FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE DECK

By: Michael A. Romano  
Anchor Contributor

After last season ended, I came to one conclusion: Baseball is really starting to suck. I mean, sure, the Yankees were humiliated in the World Series last year (by the Marlins, of all teams), but seriously, take a look at baseball as a whole. Players are grossly overpaid, managers never shut the hell up, and owners (by owners I mean Steinbrenner) have the ability to

madonna normally does that, he missed more time than expected. During that time frame, Francona laid down the ground rules and informed his players as to what was expected of them.

On opening night in Baltimore (April 4th), Pedro gave a less-than-stellar performance, both on and off the mound. Through six innings, Martinez allowed three runs on seven hits, fanned five and walked one. After his 93-pitch night was over, Pedro was seen sulking in the dugout, and eventually departed from Camden Yards before the conclusion of the ball game. This sparked an unbelievable amount of attention from the Boston Media, and a great deal of controversy within the

my book).

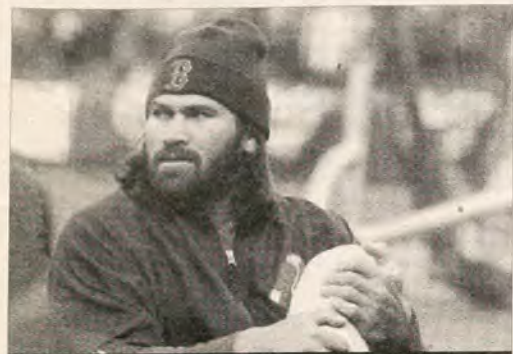
Now, people can say that the media made a huge deal out of this incident when in fact the circumstances should outweigh what really happened. I have a few choice words for those people, but since I'm ripping on a man who makes more money in one year than the Publisher's Clearing House jackpot, I'll move on.

Despite the fact that Martinez was unaware of the ground rules, he should have at least used some common sense. I can understand if an ace pitcher like Pedro has a bad night on the hill. These things happen. But, think about this for a minute: You are the ace starter of the club; the diamond in the rough. As a role model to the rest of the team, it's ONLY COMMON SENSE to sit in the dugout (or, if he was really upset, the clubhouse) for the rest of the game like a real man. I'd rather see him destroy the Gatorade dispenser than just abandon his team. It's called TEAM SOLIDARITY, something that the Red Sox lack (as much as I love them). It's mind-boggling that he just LEFT THE STADIUM, and got away with it on such an insignificant technicality (although Francona mentioned to him in private that this behavior would not be tolerated again). He also got away with it because he's an overpaid member of a team who lets the superstars run the clubhouse.

If the Red Sox are going to go anywhere this year, they are going to have to play like a team that expects to be successful. This type of behavior can not be tolerated, let alone encouraged. Players like Pedro and Manny are distracting the team from playing well, and the season is just beginning. If this continues, the red sox are going to be sitting back and watching another team holding that World Series trophy...again.

Red Sox clubhouse.

So, what happened to Pedro after this incident? Was he fined? Was he suspended? Unfortunately, Pedro received a one-word answer for a punishment: NOTHING. The crybaby got the benefit of the doubt, once again. Francona immediately jumped to the defense of Mr. Geri Curls himself and stated that Pedro was "not aware of my rules and regulations." Players in the clubhouse, including Manny Ramirez, sided with the veteran right-hander. "He didn't break any unwritten rule. I don't care if Pedro leaves early all the time. As long as he goes (out) there and he competes like he always does, he's fine. He gave us a chance to win." Keep in mind that these remarks are coming from a man who isn't worth the \$17 million salary (at least not in



Johnny Damon, savior of the Red Sox

buy division titles, pennants, and championships because there's no salary cap. Boy, am I glad I got that out of the way.

All right, I'll stop ripping on the Yankees and the rest of the league. Now, let's focus on an individual from a local sports team that's well overdue for ridicule. The individual I'm referring to is Boston Red Sox "Ace" starter Pedro Martinez. Of course, some may argue that the heat shouldn't be on Petey right now because manager Terry Francona wasn't "shook up about it."

For those of you so-called "sports fans" who are living in a hole, Martinez has been in hot water with the Red Sox since the beginning of the season. He was granted some personal time off and missed the first few days of training camp. Although the pri-

## Proclamation of Success

By: Alex Martin  
Anchor Staff

Fear not Red Sox Nation, for this is the year. Too long have we anxiously awaited the beginning of what was to be the year they won everything only to be disappointed come October. Too long have odd things happened that disabled our ability to win the whole shebang. And the curse? Well the curse has run its course, and it is time for Beantown to hoist that world series trophy. This is the year we capture glory. This is the year the Fenway faithful run through the streets telling the entire world about the Boston City Miracle. This is the year we win the World Series.

Throughout my daily routine I encounter many different baseball fans. The hardcore Red Sox fans, which I respect the most, and the Yankees fans, which I hate the most, are an everyday occurrence. There are semi Sox fans who only come out of their shell when the Sox are winning, these are what you call non-fans, but they don't even factor into the whole equation. Hell, even our own Anchor Sports Editor is a Seattle Mariners fan, and a self-proclaimed Red Sox hater. All of these people like to take their stabs at our beloved Sox, but they better do it while they can, because soon, they won't be able to.

This is the year that the Red Sox take it all. We have a better roster now then we have ever have before, and this team will

not forget how close they got last year. Our pitching staff is the equivalent of an all star team. We've got Curt Schilling, the best pitcher in baseball today. Pedro Martinez is one of the few pitchers who can challenge him on that and he's also on our rotation. Derek Lowe is primed to return to the way he was a couple of years ago, just dominating opposing hitters and closing out the big games. Oh, and need I remind you of that guy we like to call Tim Wakefield? Arguably possessing the best knuckler in the game, Timmy came up big in last years postseason, and it is only going to carry on.

As the Arizona Diamondbacks proved a couple of years ago, pitching is sometimes enough to get you to the promised land. Luckily, we don't have to rely solely on that. Unlike those diamondbacks, who were only able to pull out a hit in the most dire of situations, we've got some of the best hitters in all of baseball. David Ortiz, one of our many weapons, has turned into a run-producing machine. In the first five games of this promising season, he already has four RBIs. That's how you get off to a great start. Add to him the best catcher in baseball, and one of the best on-field team leaders in the game, Jason Varitek, and you've already got enough talent to rival many of the teams in the league.

Ortiz and Varitek are two great additions to any team, but only on this Boston lineup can

they be overlooked. Manny Ramirez, Nomar, Pokey Reese, and Kevin Millar are four names that any team would love to have hanging from their lineup. We've got them all. Manny is a solid player when he isn't distracted, and with our new coach laying down the law, hopefully, Manny will stay in line throughout the course of the year. Nomar and Pokey playing the middle of the infield is enough to practically guarantee a minimal amount of errors, and a lot of great double play opportunities. Then of course, when you don't get enough production from those hired guns, you've got the American League batting champion carrying the load. Bill Mueller is out to prove that last year was no fluke, and he is going to prove it in a big way, leading Bean town to the top of the mountain.

The list goes on of great players ready to rise to the challenge. A management and ownership in town that are finally dedicated to winning it all have put together the best team in Red Sox history. This team is going to do everything they can to fight and scratch their way into the playoffs. From there, I'd like to see another team with enough depth to push them out. It's not going to happen. Like it or not, whether you're a Yankee fan, a Red Sox Hater, or both, the days of the Red Sox playing second fiddle to anyone are over. We will win the World Series, we will end the curse, and we will be the champions of the 2004 season.

# Sports

## The Seattle Mariners: A Team To Contend With

By Paul J. Spetrini  
Anchor Editor

Well, it's already started. Baseball season has only been upon us for a week, and I am already heaving up my lunch at talk that the Red Sox are going all the way. Thanks. People, relax; the games are fun right now. They don't really mean anything until October, and we all that by then, the Sox will be far away from championship glory. Now, I know what you're thinking. If I'm not a loyal Red Sox supporter, logically, I must love the Yankees. Well, you're wrong. You see, when the World Series is over this year, neither team is going to be hoisting that trophy. No, to see the champions of this baseball season, you need look no further than the American League West and the Seattle Mariners.

The Seattle Mariners are the team that no one expects much from. In the past three years or so, they have started off explosively and fizzled at the end. They have found ways to blow near perfect seasons by perennially choking when it mattered most. But, this year, it is going to be different. The team has undergone some much needed changes, and this could be their last chance to bring two aging icons the gold ring they both have deserved for so long. At this end of this season, it is very possible (and very likely) that Seattle is going to lose two of their marquee superstars. Both Edgar Martinez and Jamie Moyer are over forty years old, and are likely going to retire at the end of the year. Even if they don't leave the team, the fact is that their time is running out. They are at the end of very respectable careers and they deserve to go out as winners.

It's hard to imagine the Mariners without Edgar Martinez. A career .315 hitter, Martinez has made his legacy in Seattle, the only team he has ever played for. He's been through it all. He's outlasted Ken Griffey Jr., Alex Rodriguez, Lou Pinella, Mike Cameron, Jay Buhner, and every other notable Mariner over the past two decades. Martinez has had a hall of fame career, taking the role of designated hitter to a respectable stature, and is sure to be on the hall of fame ballot when he retires from the game he's made a living off of. The most interesting thing is that, despite his age, his numbers were consistent all of last year, and it doesn't look as if it is going to change anytime soon. Last year, he finished 4th in the AL with a .406 on-base percentage, tied for the AL lead with a .339 average on the road. He batted .352 with runners in scoring position, second-best in AL and Became Seattle's all-time leader in total bases with a single against the Cleveland Indians, giving him 3,317 total bases for his career. The numbers made him an invaluable tool for a Seattle organization that was a step or two away from being a major threat in the American League playoff picture.

As for Moyer, he had a

career year in 2003. He showed that age only makes you better, improving on most of his statistical categories, and having a year worth remembering. Moyer finished second in the American League in wins (21) and sixth in the league in ERA (3.27). He set a new club record by winning 21 games, and became the first Mariner pitcher in team history to win 20 or more games more than once. His brilliance was most clearly seen on June 3rd of last year, where he pitched a 4-0 win over the Phillies, retiring all but four of the batters he faced. Moyer is getting better than he has ever been, and it is coming at the right time for the team.

Seattle is one of the better equipped teams in the league. They have a solid pitching staff, solid hitters, and one of the best defenses in the league. Their only real major loss of the offseason was Mike Cameron, and considering he is a career .250 hitter, and set the all time club record for most strikeouts in a season, I don't think they lost much. Cameron was a great player, don't get me wrong, but the move makes sense and shouldn't hurt as much as some of their previous losses did.

If the Mariners are going to go anywhere this year, they are going to have to do it as a team. Moyer isn't the only pitcher on the rotation, and he is going to have to be able to act like it. The Mariners need another solid season from Freddy Garcia, who was suppose to have ascended to the top spot by this point. Last year, Garcia was a little shaky. Just to briefly describe how inconsistent his year was, think about this. Garcia was the second pitcher in Mariner history to have a six game winning streak and a six game losing streak all in the same year. But, when Garcia has been on his game, he has been tough to beat. Last June, he pitched a complete game victory over the Mets in which the team won 13-1. In addition, the Mariners need solid production from Gil Meche (15-13, 130 strikeouts in 2003), and Joel Pinero (16-11, 3.78 ERA). Both were good enough to stay above .500, but the team is going to need more if they expect to beat out the Oakland and Anaheim in the AL West.

But, if you are going to talk about the Mariners, you can hardly do so without mentioning two of the best players in the league. Bret Boone and Ichiro Suzuki are the marquee players in a lineup packed of superstars. So far this season, however, they haven't shown it. Boone is only batting .263, and Ichiro isn't far ahead, at .278. Both are struggling in getting into a rhythm. Last year, Ichiro led the MLB with 66 multi-hit games; also ranked among AL leaders in hits, runs (T7th), and stolen bases (5th).

By finishing with 212 hits, he became just the third ML player with 200+ hits in each of first three ML seasons. Boone was second among AL second

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# Achieving Goals Never Thought Possible

By Tauquir Puthawala  
Anchor Staff

Talk about a huge turnaround. The women's lacrosse team has blasted off their season with an overall record of 4-2, already winning more games than last year's team. We only won three games last year and

to win without teamwork. Coach Angel praises his team on their team chemistry: The new recruits and the older members have meshed really well. Team chemistry is something I stress as a coach. He goes on to explain that chemistry was also an issue last year. There were good individual players, but they

earned the Little East Conference Rookie of the Week two times this season. Another player, which the captains praised, was their new goalie, freshman Micaela Morris. She is an experienced goalie who has kept us in a lot of games this season, remarks Beaudry.

Another reason for the



we are definitely much more improved, remarks Head Coach Ryan Angel.

There are many reasons why the Anchorwomen are performing better. One is the experience, an issue last year. The team only lost one player from last year but has been able to fill the holes in with talented new recruits. The whole team is much more experienced from last year, including the new recruits, says junior co-captain Danielle Beaudry.

Even with the increased talent on the field, it is impossible

were n't working together. He also adds that to improve their chemistry, the Anchorwomen hold pasta dinners and goes to other events outside of campus. Everybody gets along and their personalities mesh. Angel and the team hope their new found chemistry will help them excel on the field.

Even with the teamwork, however, it is impossible to mention the lacrosse team without appreciating the efforts a few players who have heavily contributed so far. One is freshman Caitlin Gavin, who has already

improvement includes the arrival of a new assistant coach, Laurie Rizzotti, who played four years of lacrosse at Salve Regina University. She brings a lot of knowledge onto the field, comments junior co-captain Erika Babat. Rizzotti and Angel have worked together quite well and the team's record shows it.

The Women's Lacrosse program at Rhode Island College has only been running for three years, this being the fourth. In addition to already improving upon last year's win total, they also boast the longest win streak

in the program's history. The past three years they have only had a total of seven wins. Matching the total wins does not seem like a difficult task, although Coach Angel is quick to point out that the team does play in a tough Conference. Plymouth State, Eastern Connecticut, and Western Connecticut are all LEC teams and they are all nationally ranked as well.

The players are still optimistic, however, and have set goals which they hope to reach this season. We want to be competitive within our Conference, possibly holding a 0.500 record, says co-captain Beaudry. Co-captain Erika Babat adds, We want to go out against teams from last year who beat us and play a good game with them. Both the captains and the coaches, however, believe in building up the program for future years. Head Coach Angel hopes to continue bringing in good recruits and advancing the team.

Right now, though, Angel is focused on getting this year's team into the Conference Tournament. Come out support the Anchorwomen. This week, they are playing two conference games, both at home. Thursday, the team takes on the University of Southern Maine, and on Saturday they will be playing Plymouth State. Both games are sure to be exciting as the anchorwomen try to reach the LEC tournament for the first time in their history. It's already been a memorable season, but this team has a lot more to do before it is all over.

## Mariners from 5

basemen with a .990 fielding percentage, ranked eighth in the AL with 35 home runs, and had 117 RBIs.

So far this year, things haven't gone the way the Seattle Mariners planned them. As of Saturday, they were 0-4, having just squandered their first win at the hands of Oakland. While that may panic some, it hasn't even made a dent on this Mariner fan. If it takes a horrible beginning to the season to change the way things have gone for the Mariners as of late, then so be it. After all, they started the previous two years on a roll, and it got them nowhere. Maybe losing a lot in April will result in a better October. Who knows? All I can say for sure is that, it is still early and things don't matter quite yet. Baseball games in April don't decide anything, and you can't judge how a team is going to do by the way they start the season off. So, red Sox fans, don't get your hopes up quite yet. Nothing is written in stone, and you, above all others, should know never to assume something is going to happen. It's not over until the fat lady sings, or in your case, until another surprise player comes off and eliminates your team once again. We'll see how things look when the year is over, and the Seattle Mariners come out of nowhere to plan their victory parade.

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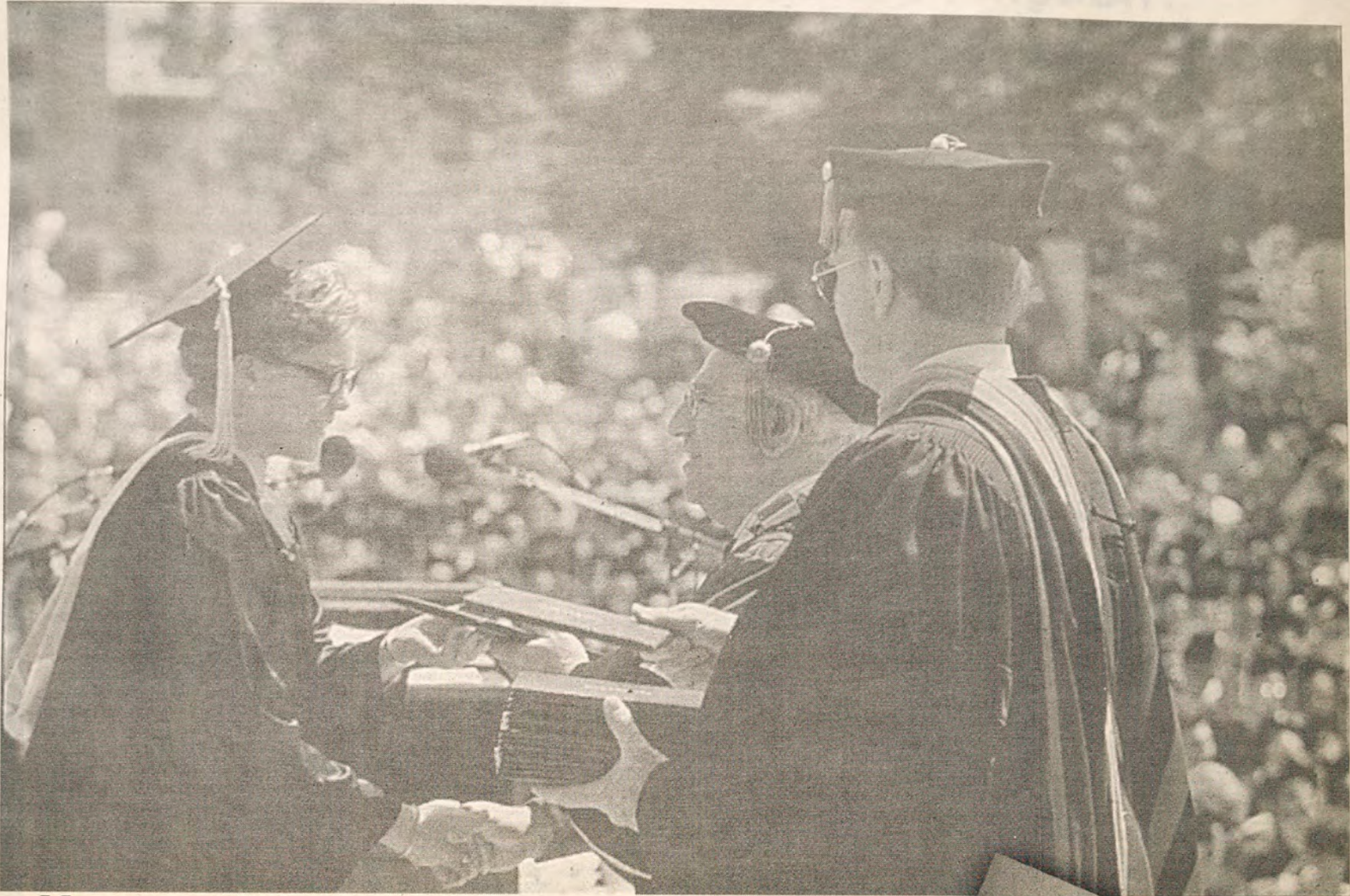
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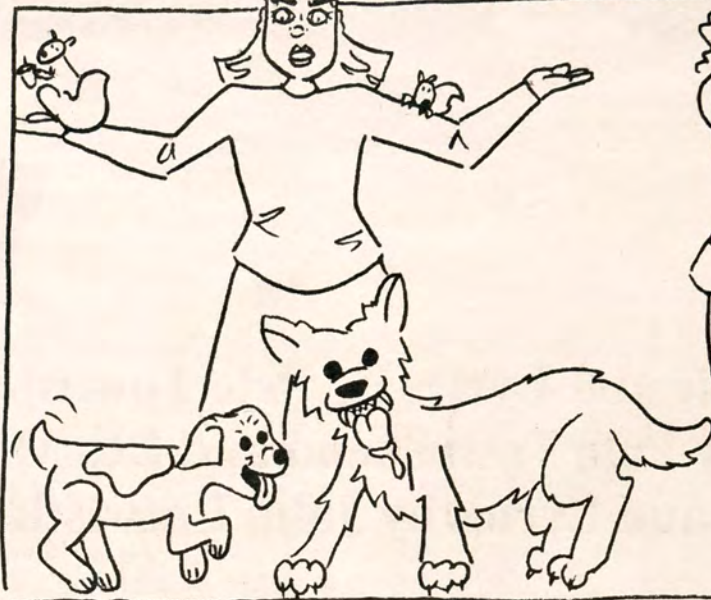


# LAUGH @ R.I.C.

For those of you who might be wondering what 'Surviving What Seven Sees' is all about, I'll let y'all in on a little secret: I'm from Kansas and can't wait to move back. Basically, this strip is me complaining about Southern New England as this girl, Seven, struggles to get to school. Enjoy. I'm not.

## Surviving what Seven Sees.

I'm surrounded by over-friendly squirrels and leash-less dogs! What kind of petting zoo campus is this!?



You look exhausted. I think a drink from the bubbler would be a good idea.

What are you saying!?



TO BE CONTINUED!



By Sara Corrigan

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Little can of Spam  
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Two cubes of sugar:  
'Plop! Plop!' they splash in my tea.  
Oh, those were spam cubes.

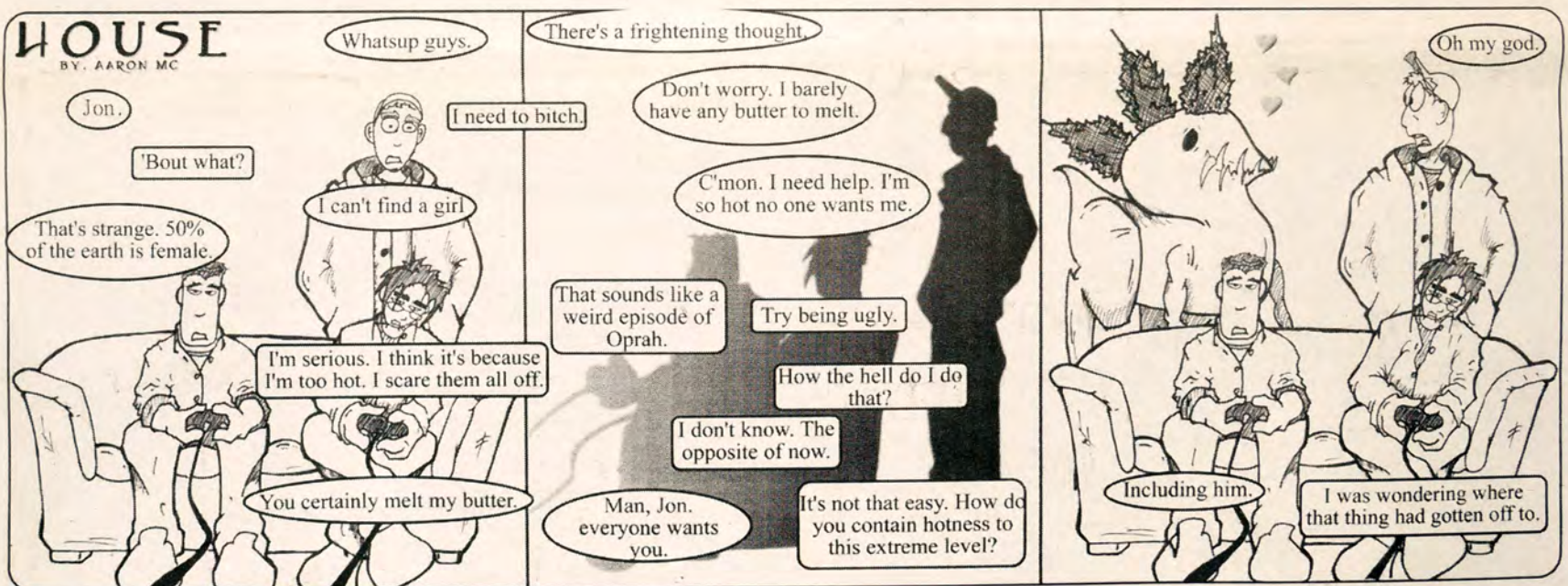
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# RELATIVELY IMMATURE COMICS

What if Stallone was in **STAR WARS**? By Kevin Ferreira



## Endangered Duo





# roving reporter



By: Laura Colannino

**What is your reaction to the proposed Late Night Event Policy?**



**Melissa Mora**  
Latin American Student Organization (LASO) President

I don't agree with it. I believe that the campus actually wants student involvement but yet they're trying to make so many rules and make it so much harder for anyone to want to do anything on campus.

**Timothy Perry**  
Harambee President

I feel that Student Activities doesn't care for organizations and they're trying to control us. It's sad that most organizations have to resort to parties to making their revenue, but they're also a big time for students to be on campus and if you cut that short then we can't run our social events well. It takes power away from the students and that's a shame.



**David Doyle**  
WXIN  
PSA/Traffic Director

I feel that we are not going to be able to make revenue from on-campus events because they're making it not fun.



**Laura Mulholland**  
Rainbow Alliance President

I feel that arbitrary regulation by administrators of the Student Union building does nothing but infringe upon our rights of students and organizations on campus.



**Richard DelBonis II**  
Student Community Government (SCG) President

It's a huge infringement on student rights. It should be looked over, rejected, and something else should be drawn up.

**Gerard Labonte**  
Resident Student Association (RSA) President

It seems that the administration is making it harder for clubs to have events when it's already hard enough to get many students to show up. It really doesn't seem like it's in the best interest of the school.



**Tim Staskiewicz**  
WXIN  
Webmaster & Production Assistant

Regarding the portion that directly affects the radio station in particular, we have never been under college control as far as what we can broadcast and we're not going to start now as far as having our announcements approved by the office of Student Activities.



**Carlos Dosouto**  
Communications Club President

I feel as if we are being babysat. Every student is 18 or older and we should be trusted. This college opportunity is to learn and to also have fun and so by having us end our activities by 11pm is just ridiculous.

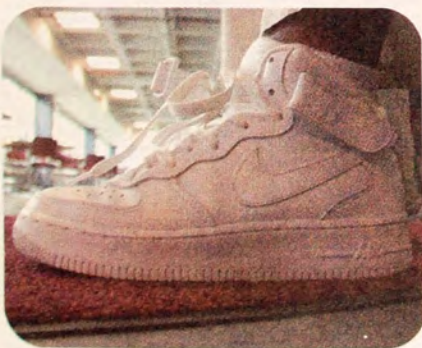
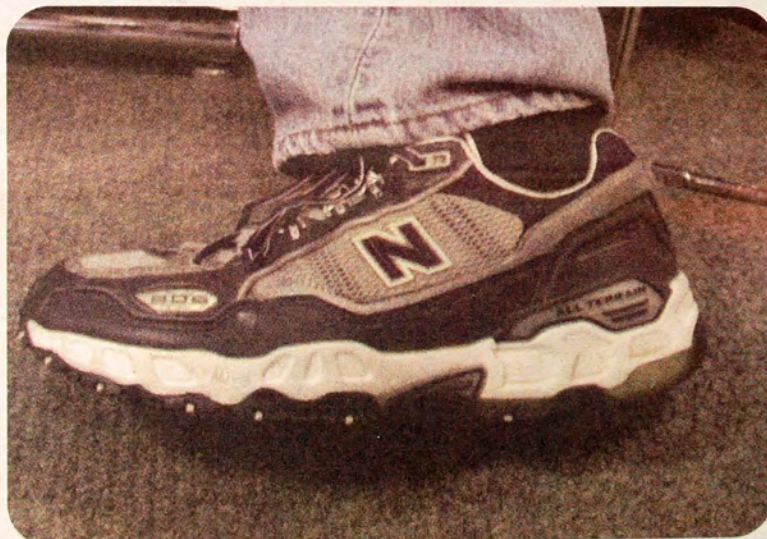
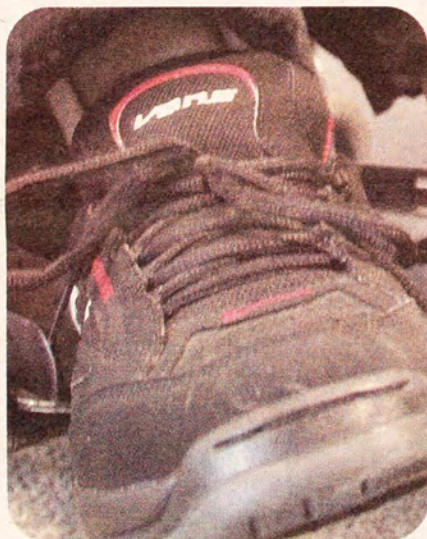




# around campus

If there is one thing Easter and Passover have in common is that people tend to wear shoes. In honor of the holidays this page is dedicated to hip shoes, lousy comments, and sub par photography.

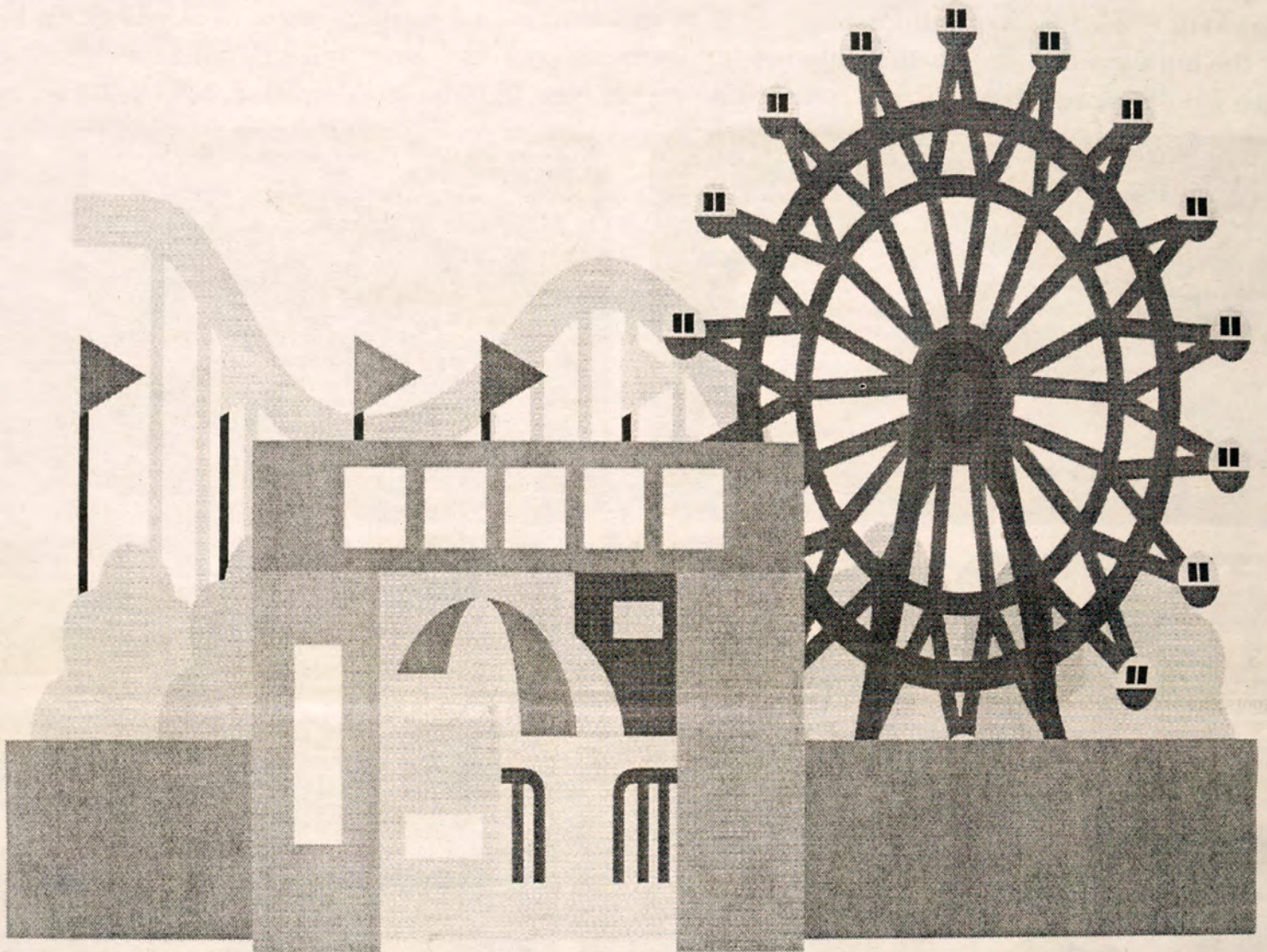
By Ben Fredman and Jesse "Primetime" Sullivan (as seen in Palygirl Magazine, May 2004 Issue, P.35)





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# OPINIONS

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## Letter to the Editor

By: Mike Raposa  
SCG Representative  
Conditions/Services  
Committee Chair

Disabled American  
Veteran

I feel this letter is news that the college needs to read about disability access on Rhode Island College campus. It saddens me that a college, which just turned one hundred and fifty years of age, would have the facilities to accommodate people with disabilities and it does not. A college this old stayed back in time and did not move along into a progressive stage. After all, if it was not for students, there is no Rhode Island College. After interviewing several instructors and taking a tour of the facilities, here are the findings.

During the snowy days, instructors call the Physical Plant several times to get someone to shovel out the disability access ramps for a person using a wheel chair for mobility. During the same snow days, sidewalks were poorly shoveled, leaving snow spots and ice a hazard for people with disabilities. Does Rhode Island College have that much money to cover personal injury lawsuits? If it does, why are renovations taking such a long time and the classroom desks very old, like 150-years-old and we do not have new supportive desks and that are disabled friendly?

Restrooms on campus have some disability access and others do not. In the newer buildings, such as the John Nazarian Center for the Performing Arts and the Student Union, do not have a push button for a person using a wheelchair to use the restrooms. This population must anticipate when they need to use the rest rooms and

get to the elevator to find once they can get access to. The doors on the restrooms are very heavy for someone not using a wheelchair to gain access.

Most doors do not have disability access, and those that do, often do not work. Doors to the new café in the Student Union do not have any. The doors at Roberts Hall, where our President's office is, was not working on Tuesday, March 30. I know this because as I was leaving the building, I tested those doors to find that they did not open. If someone who uses a wheelchair for mobility wanted to gain access, he/she was out of luck that day. Are there certain places on campus that people living with disabilities are not allowed? If not, then why all the challenges? People living with disabilities have enough challenges to deal with.

Taking tests with disabilities is quite difficult; that is why the Student Life and Disabilities Office exist. It is great that we get a private office to take our exams in, however the office always happened to be in a larger working office with plenty of noise going on outside of it or the printer is printing inside of the same office the person is testing in. When will disabled students get the accommodations needed to be successful at Rhode Island College? Are the Administration, Faculty and Staff at Rhode Island College bias towards people with disabilities, that the College feels we are not intelligent enough to attain a college degree because we are disabled in from or another? ADA Act 1990

When will Rhode Island College change its 150-year-old ways and realize that we are in the twenty first century?

## That's Ok, I'd Like to Keep My First

### Amendment Rights Thank You Very Much!

By: Forrester Safford  
Anchor Staff

To all members of our campus community, the First Amendment of our US Constitution says "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

Just in case you missed it, and I bet some of you did...we have the freedom of speech.

Normally, once something is already brought up by another Anchor staff member, I won't write on it myself. However, the proposal that the Student Union Campus Advisory Board (SUCAB) has well, proposed, is so horrific in one part in particular that I have decided to throw my three cents in, (my sense is worth more the two cents you see).

By now I hope that most of you have read the new proposal from the SUCAB or have at least heard of the proposal. If you

haven't, I will give you a quick summary...as written, amongst other things the proposal gives the Office of Student Activities the authority to deny student organizations, and therefore us, our First Amendment right to freedom of speech, since they will have to approve of any flyers, newspaper ads or radio ads before they are hung up, said or read. That, my friends, is total bullshit.

Now of course, I bet the Office of Student Activities loves this new proposal from the SUCAB, I mean who wouldn't like the opportunity to play dictator? But wanting to play dictator and actually becoming one is two different things and therefore we as students, faculty and staff should come together and let our voices be heard, but do it quickly because you never know what other forms of oppression the SUCAB is going to come up with next. Perhaps they will seek to have our tongues cut out. I mean, come on, if we don't have the freedom of speech, why speak at all?

How can you let your voices be heard you ask? Well that's easy, (for now), and there are a

few ways that you can do it. First, you could write an opinion and drop it off at the Anchor office, (in the Media Center next to Donovan), or send it via email to editorial@anchorweb.org.

Second, come to the next Student Community Government Inc. meeting which is I believe April 21st (call 456-8088 to confirm). I am a parliament member, and although I cannot personally speak for our student government, I know I would love to see you show up at the next meeting and tell us know how you feel about the proposal that the SUCAB has made. We meet on the third floor of the Student Union.

Third, be creative, perhaps chalk the quad or start a petition. Basically, be creative, but keep it legal!

Like I basically stated up above, our first amendment is very important. I feel that it is our most important right, because without it, the other rights in the Bill of Rights aren't worth anything. So please, come out en masse against the horrible proposal so "nicely" made by the SUCAB and let your voices be heard!

## Civic Marriage

By: Danielle Thibert  
MSW RIC student

People of all colors, ethnicities, religious creeds, and political beliefs, physical and mental disabilities have the right to get married. These shows how wonderful our country is and how many freedoms we enjoy that is if we are heterosexual. Isn't the institution of marriage designed for two people who have a commitment to each other and love each other to engage in a federal and state recognized union? Then why would homosexual people be excluded from this institution?

I and many like me feel that it would be helpful to families in

this state if a law was designed to allow civil marriages. This would mean that every single Rhode Islander could engage in an institution of marriage that would be recognized by the state. By not passing such a law homosexuals and their families (yes they do have children) would be put at a disadvantage. A loving couple would not be recognized as married, no matter how long the couple has lived together, how many kids they have, or how socially acceptable it is for them.

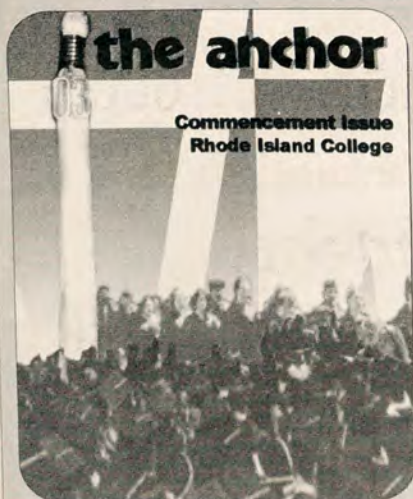
Let's imagine Rhode Island with a civil marriage law. Children could proudly say that their parents are married like many of their peers, regardless if

their parents are gay or straight. Parents would never have to deal with the fact that if their child is gay they will be ineligible to have the wedding that they may have dreamt of since they were kids. Every child in this state would have the option of marrying a person that they love and care for. It would be a beautiful thing.

If you feel the same way I do and would like to see a civil marriage bill pass in our state please come by Donovan Dining Center on April 5th or 6th from 12:00-2:00 to get more information on how you can help. Also try to attend the civil marriage rally at the State House at 3:00 Wednesday, April 7.

**We are now accepting  
submissions for the  
Commencement Issue.**

**Seniors can submit by: April 30.**





RIC Amnesty International Presents:

# HUMAN RIGHTS DINNER



**Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 8pm**  
**Student Union Ballroom**

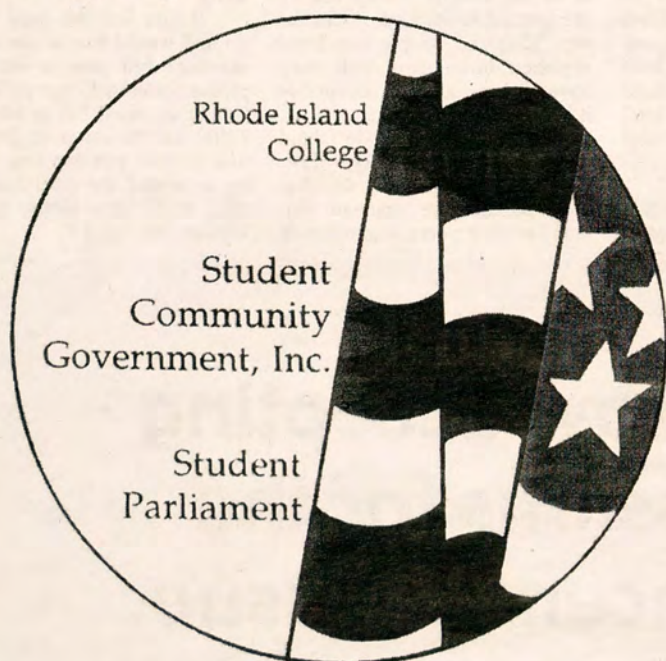
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For more information, contact us: [Fischhi@yahoo.com](mailto:Fischhi@yahoo.com)

The initial filing period for petitions to become a 2004-2005 Student Parliament member begins Monday, March 22, 2004 and ends Friday, April 9, 2004.



During this filing period, you may only represent your own major. After this period, you may represent any major.

**Election Day:**

***Wednesday, April 28, 2004***

*For more information, contact  
Vice President, Michael Philbin  
or call 456-8088.*

Declaration of candidacy for Student Government office begins on Tuesday, April 20, 2004 and ends at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, April 27, 2004. You must be a member of Student Parliament by then to run for office.



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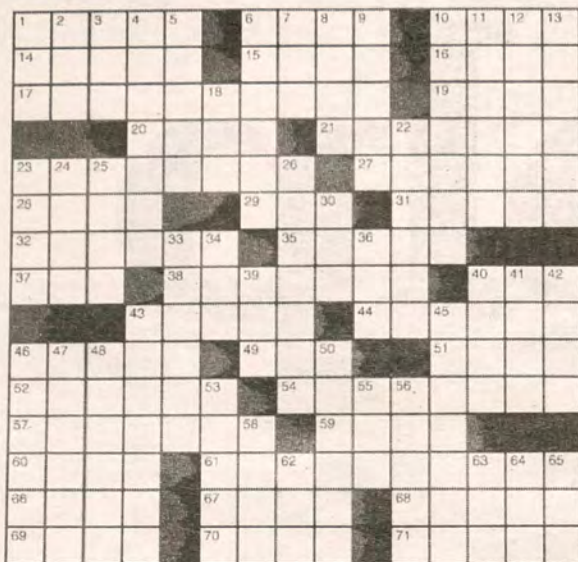
# Crossword

## ACROSS

- 1 Dirt
- 6 Eye part
- 10 Bite and bite
- 14 Wall recess
- 15 Observe with care
- 16 Rake
- 17 Brains
- 19 Seaweed or pond scum
- 20 Word after going or flat
- 21 Confused states
- 23 Adversary
- 27 Karl or Moses
- 28 African nation
- 29 AMA members
- 31 Handrail post
- 32 Worn away
- 35 Desert stopover
- 37 Court divider
- 38 Political exile
- 40 Baseball stat
- 43 Wealthy one
- 44 "Java" trumpeter
- 46 Goes it alone
- 49 Sandwich letters
- 51 Fuel cartel letters
- 52 Brand new
- 54 Some canines
- 57 Moreover
- 59 Hunk of dirt
- 60 Parasitic arachnid
- 61 Luxurious condition
- 66 Caesar's unlucky day
- 67 Vegas rival
- 68 Goodman's musical style
- 69 Tangy
- 70 Islands off Galway
- 71 Beginning

## DOWN

- 1 H.S. subj.
- 2 Broadcast
- 3 Media bus. grp.
- 4 Gland in front of the trachea
- 5 Virile guy
- 6 Have in mind
- 7 Decompose
- 8 Agenda topic
- 9 Blood part
- 10 Supports protectively



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- 11 Like a meaningless victory
- 12 Oregon city
- 13 Sneaky type
- 18 Had dinner
- 22 Webster or Boone
- 23 Prophetic sign
- 24 Peel
- 25 Storyline
- 26 Source of difficulty
- 30 Droop
- 33 Rubbed out
- 34 53D casually
- 36 Caspian or Adriatic
- 39 Watch pocket
- 40 Mature
- 41 Author Harte
- 42 Restless desire
- 43 Queen of the busybodies
- 45 Square dance
- 46 Yield to the will of another



- 47 New York city
- 48 Sheen
- 50 Business magnate
- 53 Winger of the movies
- 55 Hobbit ally
- 56 Body's trunk
- 58 Crystal gazer
- 62 O.J. trial letters
- 63 Bro's sibling
- 64 Wind dir.
- 65 Cpl.'s superior

By Lasha Seniuk

**Aries (March 21-April 20).** Over the next few days, friends and lovers



may react strongly to new opinions or social changes.

Group expectations and romantic passions are high before midweek. Take extra time to explain last-minute cancellations and long-term intentions. Tuesday through Friday, business restrictions will be temporarily lifted. Pay special attention to minor financial details or revised payment schedules. Late Sunday, contact a distant or forgotten friend. Your emotional support is needed.

**Taurus (April 21-May 20).**

Financial facts, permissions or paperwork are vital to the success of business ventures. Before



Thursday, carefully research new ideas and check sources for misinformation. At present, workplace partnerships and complex projects will benefit from cautious planning and a relentless commitment to small details. Friday through Sunday, loved ones may ask for added private time. Contemplation and rest will have a strong appeal. Enjoy quiet, cozy moments in the home.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21).** Before

midweek, new romantic proposals are passionate but unreliable. Enjoy compliments from potential



lovers but wait for valid promises, public displays of affection or firm commitments. Love affairs and sensuality will be ongoing distractions.

Remain determined and respond quickly to sudden reversals. Thursday through Saturday, financial delays are unavoidable. Clarify expectations and finalize all legal definitions. Authority figures may be moody or unresponsive.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22).** Love relationships will challenge your need for privacy. Someone close may wish to bring greater spontaneity into his or her lives.



Creativity, romantic expression and group behavior may be key issues. Welcome all social changes. Before June, emotional progress will be fast and rewarding. Wednesday through Saturday, older relatives may be unusually confrontational. Take none of it personally. At present, deep feelings of loss or doubt may require special attention.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22).** Family



decisions are unnecessary over the next few days. Although loved ones may press for quick home revisions; this is not the right time for newly established routines or heated group discussions. Encourage patience and opt for light social encounters. Close relatives will soon follow your example. Thursday through Saturday, business officials may offer misinformation or vague instructions. If so, remain silent but expect complex workplace changes before mid-June.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Social habits and repeated emotional patterns are sources of private tension. Group activities may provide the

needed relief. Plan outdoor events or explore new forms of entertainment.



Over the next few days, loved ones will adopt renewed optimism and challenge unproductive behaviors. Go slow and wait for obvious signals. After Friday, vitality returns. Expect minor ailments of the lower abdomen, stomach or digestion to steadily fade.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Listen closely to the social needs and family expectations of loved ones. Over the next eight days, a long-term friend or relative may require added group support. Areas affected involve addictive behaviors, complicated relationships or unusual power struggles between friends. Stay focused and offer sincere opinions. Your guidance may prove invaluable. After Thursday, ask key officials for special permissions. Added skills, education and job promotions will soon be top priorities.



**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22).** Romantic partners may demand increased access to private family decisions. Community



involvement and group awareness are key concerns for loved ones. Encourage a fresh perspective. Important relationships will eventually require dramatic emotional growth and serious choices. Wednesday through Saturday also highlight new communications between colleagues. Revised job roles may create minor tensions. Remain attentive to group politics.

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**Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21).** Younger relatives may be temperamental or quick to anger. Don't be derailed. Over the next few days, close friends and family members will need extra time to explore a fresh social perspective or new family behaviors. Provide optimism and reassurance. Calm home relations will soon be re-established. After Thursday, a minor flirtation may quickly become passionate. Avoid social triangles, if possible, and respond honestly to unusual group announcements.



**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20).** Friendly or innocent flirtations deepen. Over the next eight days, expect rare complications between business partners or long-term friends. Although new attractions are rewarding, minor delays concerning dates, times or romantic promises may still be bothersome. Wait for an obvious display of public affection before taking emotional risks. Your patience will prove worthwhile. Late Saturday, home relations may be strained. Go slow and ask subtle questions.



**Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19).** Someone close may reveal a powerful need for social or romantic change. Before mid-week, boredom, emotional withdrawal and long-term doubt may need to be publicly addressed. Loved ones need your continuing support. Offer constructive ideas and watch for steady changes. Wednesday through

Saturday, romantic attraction is difficult to resist. Vivid dreams, sudden invitations or passionate overtures are accented. Trust your first impressions.

**Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20).** Important business decisions are best avoided over the next eight days. Authority figures may feel briefly threatened by public announcements, probing questions or changing routines. Remain cautious, but respond quickly to valid opportunities for candid discussions. Your suggestions and needs will eventually be taken seriously. Thursday through Sunday, romantic and social planning may be difficult. Expect lover or long-term friends to avoid new commitments.



**If your birthday is this week.**

Almost 14 months of slow business progress and social indifference is now ending. Over the next three to four weeks, friends, relatives and close colleagues may ask to participate more fully in your personal life. Welcome all such changes and expect expanding social involvement over the next eight months. Some Aries natives, especially those born prior to 1978, will also encounter a remarkable romantic attraction before the end of July. If so, expect marital proposals or new lifestyle decisions to arrive throughout the summer months. Emotional, romantic and spiritual progress is no longer blocked. Make sure loved ones understand your decisions and appreciate your unique talents.



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## Destructible Expectation

By Tim Labonte  
Anchor Staff

To hear They Might Be Giants were coming out with a new EP on April 6th called 'Indestructible Object' I was excited. The band hadn't come out with anything new in about 2 years I can't wait to listen to John Linnell and John Flansburgh's new material!

But... I got it and had a listen....

The opening track 'Am I

reason, and people keep coming to talk him down, but how much further down can he go? So there's no effect.

Au Contraire, track three, is my least favorite of the bunch. I think mostly because it's a jazzy type of song and I'm not a jazzy type. It talks about these random famous people and figures asking a question or making statements, but what society says back to them. It indeed captures They Might Be Giant's characteristics of cute lyrics and quirky melodies, but I just hoped it would have been a better track.

Ant, track four, is actually a song from a while ago. It was first released on the 'Istanbul (Not Constantinople)' maxi-single in 1990; but I guess They Might Be Giants decided to re-record it with real instruments and horns and not keeping it with a fake drum loop and electronic clarinets. But why redo something that's

already good? I find the 1990 version a hell-lot better than the 2004; mostly because I very much disliked the horn arrangements.

But then they did a cover of Beach Boys' 'Caroline, No, and I'd have to say one of the best covers I've ever heard. It was recorded in the Coney Island Museum in Brooklyn and is a very decent recording for something live. The horns sound beautiful and I'm amazed how successful they got away with this cover. Many bands can't pull it off...

But if you have an extra \$6 you can toss around, go to Borders or whatnot and pick up the They Might Be Giants new EP 'Indestructible Object'. It's not their greatest work, but it's pretty decent.



Awake' tends to be the best song on the EP. Filled with unique drum loops and melodic sound effects it tends to be very catchy and original. It's almost as if 'The Postal Service' teamed up with 'Simon and Milo.' The song seems to be about an insomniac caught between two realities, not sure what is real or not.

Track two, 'Memo to Human Resources,' is pretty nice as well, but slower moving and completely different from 'Am I Awake.' What I like most about this song is the constant lyric patterns intertwining within one another with a different set of melody; something you can always count on They Might Be Giants for. But this song is about a man who's looked down upon for some

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to be broken. He works at a police station in the fictional L.A. district of Farmington. He is probably one of the best characters ever put on TV and no matter what he does wrong, at the end of the episode you still care about the guy and want him to win. The show is magnificently written and takes us into Vic's work problems, complicated by his Capt., David Aceveda (Benito Martinez) and his immediate supervisor, Claudette Wymms (CCH Pounder) and his strike team comrades. At the same time it also shows us his personal life, including his failed marriage and the problems he has with his children.

The subplots are great as well and during all the mayhem and main focus of an episode you usually also have Detective Holland "Dutch" Wagenbach (Jay Karnes) cracking a case that may or may not be related to Vic. Let me just say that Karnes is magnificent as Dutch

and very believable. Other subplots involving various cops also come up within the seasons of the series. The storytelling is top notch and everything blends together with incredible precision.

This is a gritty police drama that shows us a more realistic view of what it's like to survive as a cop on the L.A. streets. This isn't a kiddie show either. It is filled with violence and brutality, a fair share of nudity and a feel of realism that is unquestionable in its execution. There also is another thing and that is that, much like *The Sopranos* and other cable shows, each season is thirteen episodes long. Now some may say, wait second only thirteen episodes? Well let me tell you that this is a much better format for a television series. Rather than getting 24 episodes, the standard for most network shows, that are decent, but most aren't great episodes, you get thirteen great episodes.

The camera style kicks ass and so does the way it is filmed. Every facet of the job is represented, including politics, police brutality and corruption, scumbag criminals and everyday station activity. Every single episode keeps you on the edge of your seat just waiting to see what happens next.

*The Shield* is hands down, one of the most original, graphic and realistic television shows on. I strongly urge everybody to watch this show. After one episode you'll be blown away. As a critic of TV and movies, I'd have to rank this show in my top five dramas of all time category and it's only been on for three seasons. Save some cash too, because after you start watching, you're going to want to go out and buy the first two seasons on DVD. Until next time, just remember if you want to watch what is quite possibly the best show on TV today, then turn to *The Shield*. You won't be disappointed. I guarantee it.

## Lost Prophets' New Album Struggles

By: AJ Paglia  
Anchor Staff

Back in July of 2000, a Welsh band released a debut album over in the UK that caught everyone off-guard. They quickly gained a rabid following and toured in the UK with such noted nu-metal luminaries as Taproot, Pitchshifter, Deftones, and Linkin Park. Then in 2001, Columbia records released their debut album in the states, followed by the band touring over here and gaining a small but loyal following. The record that brought this band to the forefront was *The Fake Sound of Progress*, and the band was The Lostprophets. Now, in 2004, they have released the follow-up, *Start Something* to an unsuspecting public.

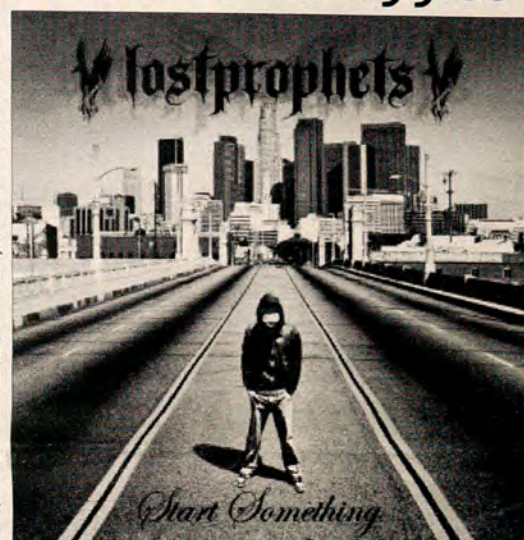
The question is, with nu-metal dying a slow death, will The LostProphets be able to gain a following? The record is certainly a step forward for the band, with all of your classic nu-metal standards on display (screaming mixed with sing-along melodic vocals, chugging guitars with very little chord progression, and solid if unspectacular percussion), and with a first single that's catchy enough to draw people in quick (*Last Train Home*). But there are a lot of bands out there that are writing pretty much the same music for the same audience, so can they really separate themselves from that pack?

The answer to the above questions is that yes, The LostProphets will gain a solid

following, and yes, they can separate themselves from the pack of nu-metal bands that are all fiending for a taste of pop-metal stardom. This is a very good nu-metal release, probably one of the better I've heard in a long time, and it's

mainly because they write solid pop-metal songs that will appeal to a large audience. Ian Watkins vocals are great and remind me a lot of another great vocalist in the same genre; Brandon Boyd (Incubus). The band themselves are better likened to Linkin Park without the darker feel, and seeing that Linkin Park is the biggest band in rock, that's not a bad thing for their sales.

Ah, but is the record good outside of as a nu-metal release? Not particularly, but it's not bad, either. And really, these days, that's better than most of the crap the genre is churning out to the listening public ad nauseam. With bands like Puddle of Mudd, Staind, and Nickelback dominating the airwaves, it's nice to hear a band that is actually talented and isn't writing the same sob-



song oh woe is me crap that the aforementioned bands seem to crank out on a weekly basis. Plus, I like Linkin Park (I think I'm the only metal fan left who does), so this album strikes a chord with me.

So, I guess you could say that this is your above-average nu-metal release. Fans of the genre will love it, as will the new rock stations. This pretty much guarantees the record success. If you don't have the record yet and you are a fan of nu-metal/Linkin Park, go out and pick it up. Otherwise, I'd suggest you give it a listen at your local record store (support locals!) and see if it's to your liking. Regardless, don't write off The Lostprophets as just another crap band. They're better than that... though not much.

## The Cooper Temple Applause

By AJ Paglia  
Anchor Staff

Supposedly, The Cooper Temple Clause — who's *Kick Up The Fire, And Let The Flames Break Loose* was released on RCA Records on February 24 — have yet to learn how to properly play their instruments. In fact, this claim is repeated over and over in their press materials.

Well, either this is a publicist's clever attempt to underhype the band as their sophomore album hits stores, or producer/engineer Dan Austin and/or Chris Blair and the folks at Abbey Road Studios responsible for mastering the CD are geniuses. Or perhaps it's a little bit of both. Either way, *Kick Up The Fire* sounds great, doesn't let up from track one til the end,

and kicks your ass from all angles.

The Same Mistakes and Promises, Promises start things off with some rockin goodness, channeling the spirit of Sunny Day Real Estate at its least whiniest. But the album kicks into another gear with *New Toys*, as trippy keyboards and a techno-like rhythm carry Ben Gautrey's sneering vocals through the first track where TCTC finally show off their well, their new toys of course.

Talking To A Brick Wall is by far the album's best song. It begins like something penned by late/post-Beatles-era George Harrison, singing

small things about you excite me but then I'd hate to spoil the tone. Then that tone changes —

for the better — as you get pulled into the heavier, driving chorus. The handclaps on two and four that guide the song to its end as it fades out are nothing; after hearing this track for the first time, I wanted to applaud my CD player.

Unfortunately, like so many albums these days, *Kick Up The Fire* loses some of its luster midway through. I don't know what Gautrey is singing about on *Into My Arms* and don't care, even though the final ? of the song is industrial, pounding and moderately interesting.

You can't fault them for changing things up a bit, and the fact that they're so willing to play around with different sounds and styles is what made me dislike Blind Pilots for being nothing but a harmless, yet typical, garage-rock tune (sure, the lead singer went to the same Swiss school as The Strokes, but we have enough Strokes, thank you very much).

A.I.M — at track six — brings the album back in the right direction.

Once the opening groove kicks in, make sure to pay attention, cause TCTC is about to take you on a ride. *Music Box* is playful and; *In Your Prime* is basically a short interlude, and by the time you get through *Written Apology*, you might just have to smoke a cigarette.






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## The Porn Star Next Door?

By: Sean Dickerson  
Anchor Staff

Take a brainiac, a horribly stereotyped high school, a \$25,000 scholarship and a batch of porn stars and you've got the recipe for at the very least, a pretty interesting comedy. And that is exactly what you got with *The Girl Next Door*, the new movie by Luke Greenfield featuring Elisha Cuthbert. Sounds interesting? Read on...

The plot doesn't differ that much from other happy-go-lucky movies made for a teenage audience. Matthew Kidman was always the guy overlooked in high school, the guy that didn't really have anything in high school that was his to claim. He always just stuck his face in the books and never really did anything exciting. Once his beautiful blond neighbor Danielle steps in, all that will change in the blink of an eye with a quick peep session and a not-so-fun streak in the nude. Things seem to be going great with this odd couple, until Matthew finds out that his innocent-seeming girlfriend is actually an ex-porn star. Things go sour, and it just gets even wilder from there.

There was nothing really that stood out in the way of filming. However, an aspect of the movie that really did shine was the character development of the characters. We watch both the main characters completely transform into something different then that of what they were in the beginning. One reason this was so apparent was the superb acting job done by newcomers Elisa Cuthbert and Emile Hirsch. I have a feeling we will be seeing a lot more of them in the future.

I have to admit, when I saw the previews for this movie, I was quite skeptical. I thought that it looked like another spin off of *Not Another Teen Movie*, where there is no real point to anything but to show boobs and make bad sexual references. Don't let the advertisements fool you, this movie actually has a plot, and actually has a good message. Don't get me wrong, you definitely do get a dose of soft-core porn and crude humor, but the equation turns out to work fine, as this movie delivers both a heartwarming and hilarious message that will, if not anything else, leave you with a feeling of satisfaction.



## Hell!!! A Baby It's a Boy...

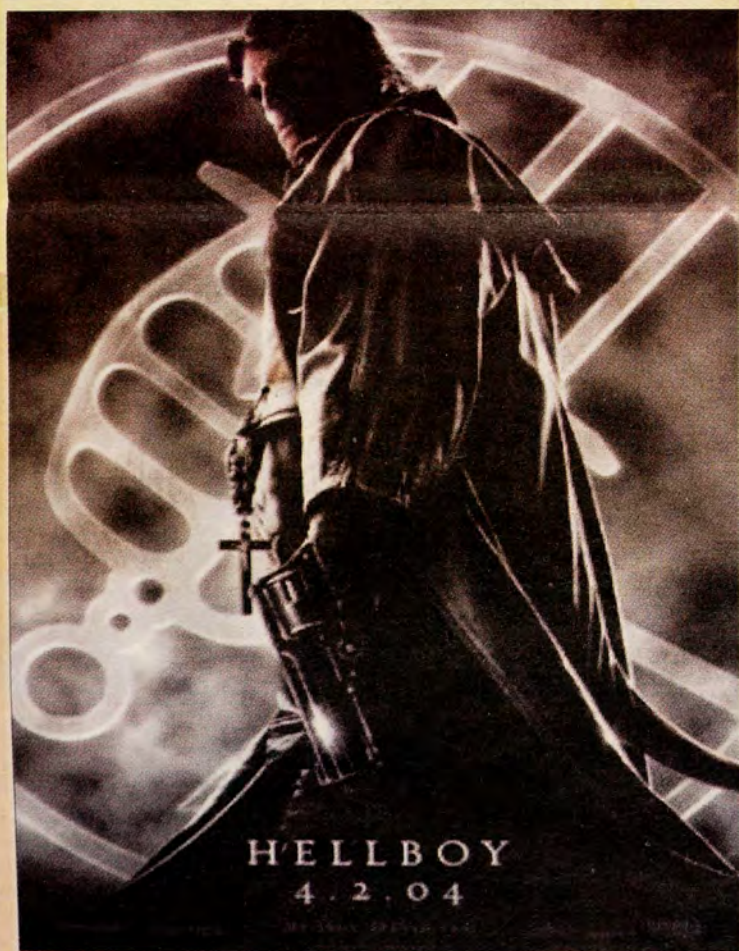
By: Carly Romano  
Anchor Staff

No, not Rosemary's Baby (not that evil) but the creation of Mike Mignola, Hellboy! Now I'll be honest, I first heard of Hellboy when they started to show previews; I hadn't heard or seen anything else. It didn't help that the commercials made it look bad and I wasn't impressed (please don't burn me!!). However, I decided to check it out and see it. Afterwards, I realized one thing...commercials suck.

The tale of Hellboy was created in 1993 by Mike Mignola, and is published by Dark Horse Comics, along with many sadistic, twisted, and deranged short stories. This story starts off with a little Hell Demon that is taken from the underworld by Nazis bent on world destruction (yes the ol' "take over the world" bit). Yet their plans are scrapped when the Nazis are taken out by American forces before their plan to summon up Hellboy is complete. The little demon tries to get away but is found by a paranormal researcher, Professor Trevor "Broom" Bruttonholm that is with the Americans (why the professor's name is Broom I don't know).

Lured away by Baby Ruth bars, Hellboy is taken in by the Professor and joins the ranks of Bureau of Paranormal Research and Defense. He grows up working for good and under the rules of Professor Broom, who had raised him like his own son. However, after 80 years, three of the Nazis who tried to raise Hellboy are back to try and take over the world (alright with the Pinky and the Brain antics)!!! So now they're back to get Hellboy, and with a fist of rock, he just views them as another bag of trash to put out. There to aid the demon is a girl that controls fire, a fishman named Abe (named after Abe Lincoln) and a new FBI agent that also brings him his food and feeds all Hellboy's cats (that's what government agents are good for).

This group of strange heroes must learn to work together and stop the coming of the apocalypse (and stop Hellboy's bad smoking habits). There are a few really cool fight scenes and a lot of vice but nothing that's offensive. All in all, don't rely on movie commercials and enjoy the movie!

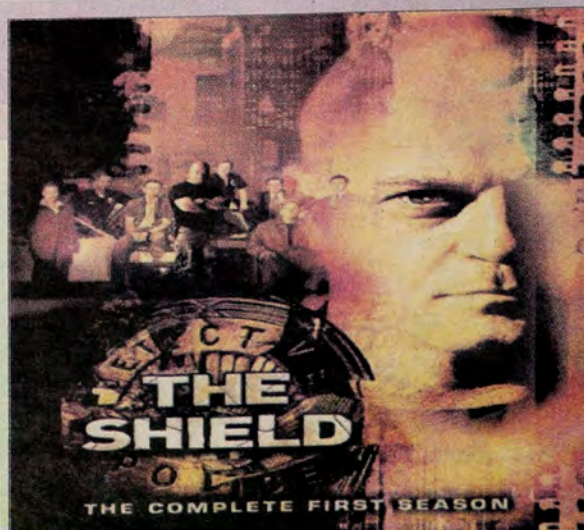


## Finally, A Good Cop Show

By: Alex "Movieman" Martin  
Anchor Staff

Let me pose a question: Ever wonder why the television shows on cable are so much better than the ones on network TV? The answer is pretty simple and quite clear. It's because the cable medium allows for a freer, more groundbreaking television series and doesn't have to abide by the conventional format and strict moral limitations of network TV. A magnificent example of this is a show that appears on FX every Tuesday night at 9:00 p.m. it is quite possibly the best show on TV (The Sopranos is also at the top), that's right my friends. I'm talking about *The Shield*.

*The Shield* is a police drama unlike any other. The main character is Detective Vic Mackey (played by a much more in shape Michael Chiklis of *The Commish*), a cop who does the right thing most of the time, but isn't averse to breaking the rules if they need



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