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Plans for new basketball court delayed

BY HENSLEY CARRASCO
News Editor

The University of Rhode Island Student Senate rescinded funding for a basketball court project that was to be completed by mid-semester this Fall.

Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs/Director of Housing and Residential Life (HRL) Lester "Chip" Yensan brought the idea of building the new basketball courts to the attention of Student Senate President David Coates.

Coates said he thinks the courts were proposed by Housing and Residential Life in order to replace outdoor courts that were previously removed when the newer residence halls were built.

"We told [Capitol Planning] if they didn't have the courts done by [mid-fall semester], they would have the funding pulled," Coates said. "They told us that they would have them done probably before the midpoint of the first semester."

Director of Campus Planning and Design Thomas Frisbie-Fulton said in an email that the Campus Planning department was already working with HRL to find out where they wanted to have the basketball courts constructed.

Capital Planning hired a civil engineer to "investigate the technical feasibility of the sites." After the investigation, they found only two sites were deemed "available" for basketball courts. The first site is northwest of the parking lot behind Adams Hall and the second is in an area west

of Heathman Hall. The original plans were to place a volleyball court next to Heathman Hall but the plans expanded into including an outdoor basketball court.

The Student Senate pulled the \$50,000 of funding after Coates was advised the courts were behind schedule. "I was informed on Wednesday that the bid hadn't been finalized," Coates said. "I was told the bid would go out by mid-November."

the actual construction would take "less than three months to complete."

he new estimated date for completion was pushed to the summer of 2012. "But that [isn't] guaranteed," Coates said on the new estimated date for the courts. "That would mean it would take 14 months to do something they told me would take 4."

Coates said he was given no explanation as to why there had



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The entrance to Keaney Gymnasium is torn apart and closed off due to the construction.

According to Frisbie-Fulton, all that is left is to obtain approval of the university's plans and to bid the contract so the construction work can begin. "Since the work will involve public funding, the procurement requires the advertisement and bidding of the construction to licensed contractors," Frisbie-Fulton wrote.

The process for bidding would take three to four months before an award can be made, but

been a delay in the construction. He said he doesn't know "who to blame."

Frisbie-Fulton wrote that a number of factors that caused the delay in the construction of the basketball courts. He wrote that the Adams Hall site was "more complicated to develop because of drainage and parking issues" so Capital Planning had moved

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Student enters Gorham residence hall, charged with felony, assault

BY HILLARY BRADY
Editor-in-Chief

A University of Rhode Island student was charged yesterday with a felony and several counts of assault after admitting to entering several women's dorm rooms in the Gorham residence hall and stealing a laptop computer.

Carlos Jaquez, 20, of 43 Drowne Street in Cranston, RI is alleged to have entered at least three dorm rooms in Gorham during the early

morning hours on Saturday, Sept. 10. Jaquez, a wanting business administration major, was identified by a female student, who said she woke up to find him lying in bed with her at around 5:30 a.m. After asking him to leave, she said Jaquez refused and she had to physically remove him from the room, Maj. Stephen Baker of the URI Police said after notifying police, the student realized her laptop was missing. Jaquez later admitted to steal-

ing her laptop, which was returned to the police and given back to the student.

On Sunday, a resident advisor from Gorham called the URI Police with a report that a separate female student said that at around 6:00 a.m., she felt something on her leg and woke up to find Jaquez in bed with her.

Early Monday morning, another female student reported to police that this

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URI community shares personal stories of 9/11

BY GUS CANTWELL
News Reporter

The 10th anniversary of Sept. 11 came and went this past Sunday as past and present members of the University of Rhode Island community remembered and mourned the events of that horrific day.

"Sept. 11, 2001, is a day that will live on in infamy and in memory," former President Robert L. Carothers said after the attacks.

Carothers remembered the day vividly. He was in a meeting when news of the attacks came into the room. He said they "turned on a little 12-inch television," and called the scene "unbelievable."

The mood on campus was chaotic the day of the attacks. Carothers said there was "a lot of scrambling around." He received a call from Governor Lincoln Almond instructing him to secure the nuclear reactor at the URI Bay campus.

Professor of political science Alfred Kilillea held class just after the attacks occurred in an attempt to help the students through the events that took place. He felt that canceling class wouldn't have been beneficial to his students.

"I held class because I don't think it does any good [for students] to go into their own private worlds," he said.

Kilillea is occasionally reminded that his actions on Sept. 11 were the right ones.

"I still have students tell me they were glad to have a chance to discuss what happened," he said.

Despite the shock on campus surrounding the events of that day, URI alumna Katie Haughey said, "Everyone wanted to talk. No one wanted to be alone."

Haughey was a news editor for the Good Five-Cent Cigar in the fall of 2001. After hearing the news on the radio while driving to campus that morning, Haughey said, "I thought it was a joke." The rest of her day was spent putting together a special Sept. 11 edition of the paper.

"I was very relieved I had a concrete thing to focus on that day: reporting and writing," she

said.

Haughey was thankful to have the opportunity to spend time working with her friends following the attacks.

"Familiarity and a sense of community were invaluable that day," she said.

URI alumna Nicole Dulude Benjamin was also a news editor at the time of the attacks. After she learned what happened, she said, "There was only one place I wanted to be at that moment: the Cigar newsroom."

Benjamin said the day changed her perspective.

"Today, I have a much fuller appreciation of the power of single, senseless acts of terror and recognize the fragility of our nation," she said.

Major changes came to URI following Sept. 11.

"We developed an emergency alert system," Carothers said.

The blue emergency lights and the automatic calling and texting system were put in place soon after the attacks.

One of Carothers' biggest concerns was "an anti-Muslim feeling" that floated around campus immediately following 9/11. He was quick to stop any prejudice, which was feared to be spreading around on campus. No major incidents occurred at the university, Carothers said.

Some current URI students, such as sophomore Braelee Conticchio, were directly connected to the events of 9/11.

"My dad was a pilot at the time," she said, adding that he had flown the same flight from Los Angeles International Airport to John F. Kennedy airport the week before the attacks.

"Thank the lord he was off that day," she said.

Conticchio's father returned to flying after 9/11 despite the family's reservations.

"That was the worst part," Conticchio said.

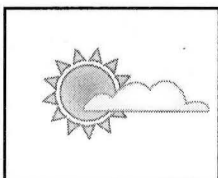
Junior Joe D'Alessandro was in fifth grade when the attacks occurred. He said he was "too young to realize" what was happening, but after being called out of his Mamaroneck school in New York he said he sat in front of a TV for hours.

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Nickel Brief:

Learn about a historical discovery in one of URI's buildings.

What's new with the Musicians' Guild?

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CAMPUS

Campus Police Reports

Harassment

This past Friday at around midnight, a female student reported that she was being harassed by a male student whom she used to be in a relationship with. The woman was referred to the Women's Center and the male student was referred to the Office of Student Life.

Larceny

This past Thursday a student in the Garrahy residence hall reported that he left two boxes of

clothing valued at \$100 near the building's entrance unattended for 40 minutes. When he returned, the boxes were missing. Police have reviewed surveillance tapes but there are no suspects.

A laptop was reported stolen from the Memorial Union this past Friday at around 1 a.m. during a dance. The laptop, which belonged to a person working on stage, was returned. The individual who admitted to stealing the laptop was referred to the Office of Student Life.

This past Friday a laptop was reported stolen from a room in the Barlow residence hall at around 2 a.m. It was believed to have been stolen by a person led into the room by the student's roommate. The Mac laptop is valued at \$1,100.

At around 11 a.m. this past Friday, a student reported her Macbook Pro laptop, valued at \$1,400, stolen from her room in the Gorham residence hall. The laptop was later left with a note outside of her door.

Friday afternoon, at around 2 p.m., the House Father from the Zeta Beta Tau fraternity house reported that around \$400 worth of prescription drugs were missing from his room. There are no suspects.

parked in the Keaney lot had both of its side-view mirrors broken off. Police are not able to point out any suspects at this point.

- A URI student in Weldin Hall reported last Monday around 12:30 p.m. that her Macbook laptop was borrowed and was returned damaged. She reported that there was \$400 of damage.

Drug Offense

-Drug paraphernalia, including a bong, was found in a student's room during a routine fire inspection. The materials were turned over to police and the student has been referred to the Office of Student Life.

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Department of Communication hires new employee

BY BROOKE CONSTANCE WHITE
News Reporter

The University of Rhode Island Department of Communication and Marketing recently hired broadcast news veteran Betty-Jo Cugini to be the new media supervisor in the department.

Cugini, a resident of Westerly, R.I. started at URI in March 2010 as an internal consultant and was hired to the full-time position this past July.

Since beginning the job three months ago, she has been working on the "Big Idea" television commercials, President David M. Dooley's inauguration video and several pieces profiling students. As supervisor, she coordinates media projects and meets with the web communications manager to match videos with press releases. Though Cugini doesn't do

any of the filming or video editing, she works closely with URI alumnus Randy Stevenson, who is the department's cameraman and editor.

Besides producing and coordinating many different projects, and utilizing the latest forms of media, Cugini also helps with live casting. Live casting is when events or meetings can be 'web-cast' live to audiences anywhere else in the world as long as they have the same technology.

"Live casting is amazing because it brings people together and it really helps the university grow its audiences," Cugini said.

Her favorite part of the job is meeting new people and hearing stories that she wouldn't normally get the chance to hear.

"To put it simply, I am trying to put new media and education together and so I am essentially a story-teller

for the university," Cugini said. "There are so many extraordinary stories to be told here on this campus and I want to tell those stories for others to hear about."

Cugini said she loves coming to work every morning and feels lucky that each day she can't wait to see what the work day will hold.

In her years before coming to URI, Cugini worked for three radio stations and then became a weekend and daytime assignment editor, producer and fill-in anchor for ABC 6 before she began her 23-year-career at NBC 10.

While at NBC, she began as a night assignment editor before she worked her way up to become vice president and director of the news department.

Cugini said that she began the transition from NBC to URI when "the media landscape began to change."

Along with her position at

URI, she owns WeatherVane Communications, a public relations company that does consulting and media training.

Last year, Cugini was inducted into the New England Chapter of the Silver Circle of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. She is also an Emmy Award recipient and has won several awards from the Associated Press.

Cugini received her Associates degree in broadcast journalism from Dean College, and is currently in the process of taking classes at Rhode Island College and URI to get her bachelor's degree in communication. She is also teaching a journalism class at Emerson College in Boston on beat writing this fall.

Felony

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past Saturday morning, she woke up to find Jaquez touching her stomach. Police said the woman screamed at him to leave the room, and had to physically remove him from the room. The student reported the incident to the police yesterday after hearing of several similar incidences from other women on her dorm floor, Baker said.

The incidences all occurred within an hour of each other and police are still working to determine how Jaquez entered the room.

Jaquez admitted to entering at least four women's dorm rooms and to stealing the laptop. He said he did not remember touching anyone, but said he was very drunk and does not remember much about Friday night and Saturday morning, according to the police report.

Jaquez was held at the South Kingstown Police Department and was released on \$5,000 personal recognizance and was ordered not to have any contact with the three women. Jaquez, who also lives in on-campus housing, was referred to Housing and Residential Life and the Office of Student Life, and is no longer allowed to enter the Gorham building. His case is set to be screened by the District Attorney on Oct. 4.

Football

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more Dave Zocco had six unassisted tackles and eight overall.

Junior Doug Johnson had three tackles for loss including two sacks.

"I was definitely pleased with the defense," Trainer said. "We had a lot of first-time starters going in and we were hoping they would elevate themselves. They did, and it was good to see."

Volleyball

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the University of Maryland Baltimore County, the College of William & Mar, and host school the Pennsylvania State University.

"We look to get some wins in this tournament coming up because I don't really like to lose," Schneck said.

Basketball

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their focus from both sites, to specifically the area west of Heathman Hall.

Frisbie-Fulton said he spoke with Yensan Sunday afternoon and Yensan confirmed that HRL was continuing with the basketball court project even though the senate pulled funding. "The student government contribution was greatly appreciated and I regret that we were not able to deliver the project within their stipulated timeframe," Frisbie-Fulton wrote.

Coates said he was originally hesitant on going through with the project because there are two other projects that are being worked on around campus.

"I think it's irresponsible to continue to tie up student tax dollars that could be spent on other things," Coates said. "That would mean \$350,000 tied up in projects that we haven't seen completed. I can't, in good conscience, do that because I have to protect the best interest of the students."

Mexico recaptures drug cartel outlaw 9 years later

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican marines recaptured a fugitive suspected trafficker who had been arrested 13 years earlier along with the man who was to become the Gulf Cartel's top leader, authorities said Monday.

Manuel Alquisires Garcia is the cartel's alleged finance officer, the Mexican navy said in a statement. He was captured by marines Saturday in the city of Tampico.

Alquisires, aka "El Meme," was originally arrested in June 1998 along with Osiel Cardenas Guillen.

Cardenas later escaped and went on to become the Gulf Cartel's leader before being recaptured in 2003. He was extradited to the U.S. in 2006 and sentenced last year to 25 years in federal prison.

Alquisires escaped from a prison in Matamoros, across the border from Brownsville, Texas, in 2002, three years after his arrest, prosecutors said Monday. Zetas hitmen, who at the time

were still allied to the Gulf Cartel, allegedly orchestrated his escape.

He had evaded authorities until Saturday.

Alquisires is suspected of trafficking cocaine from Guatemala for the Gulf Cartel.

Also on Monday, the Mexican navy said it captured 13 gunmen, including a suspect in the killing of a marine, who said to be members of the Zetas drug cartel.

The navy said in a statement the men were arrested Friday in the Gulf coast state of Veracruz and were carrying grenades and computers.





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EDITORIAL & OPINION

URI Remembers 9/11

Ten years ago this past Sunday one of the most significant attacks on American soil occurred when two airplanes crashed into the World Trade Center.

When the attacks occurred many of the current students at the University of Rhode Island were just starting middle school. It's easy to remember where you were, who you were with, how you found out—for many on this campus who are from the area most affected, their stories might take particular resonance. However, no matter where you are from or how you remember that day, the affects of 9/11 are still palpable today.

It is clear that even if you yourself were not directly affected by the attacks, you know someone who was. During one of the lowest moments in recent history we saw the country and its communities ban together. It is especially evident in today's article that it brought the URI community even closer together—both a decade ago and today.

The events of that day caused many changes on campus. Former President Robert L. Carothers said the events on 9/11 brought about new safety measures by the university. Students shortly began seeing the emergency blue lights popping up throughout campus, along with the automatic emergency call and text message system. The university recognized that it was a time not just to mourn, but to take preventative measures that have helped students have a safer experience at URI since then.

Nearly a decade ago, the URI community was glued to their television sets or picking up issues of the Cigar to see how the campus was responding to a tragedy on such a national scale. Ten years later, our campus has reflected, grown and responded. Many of the students at URI now have grown up with the sobering knowledge of 9/11 in our minds. Now is not the time to forget, but to come together as a community once more to remember.

Every year during this time people all around the country stop to remember those that have been lost and to remember the events of that tragic day. It is one the current URI student's generation will be defined by.

Organization helps Uganda women

Project Have Hope, a non-profit organization that focuses on taking the women and children of the Acholi Quarter in Uganda and empowering them by giving them the opportunity for an education.

In addition, PHH assists the women by establishing business opportunities that allow them to create economic stability for them-

selves and their families.

If you are a school, or a non-profit organization that would like to take part in making a difference in the lives of these women and children of Project Have Hope, please contact Brittany DeOliveira at bdeoliveira@my.uri.edu for more information.

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Fundraiser to benefit high school student suffering from brain tumor

Hello,

My name is Casey Montanari and I am the General Manager of Crazy Burger. I am writing because I am helping with a fundraiser to benefit one of my employees. Janessa Andrews is a 17-year-old senior from Narragansett who will be undergoing surgery for a brain tumor. Janessa faces an eight to 10 week recovery time. Her mother is a single mom and will be out of work for two months to care for her daughter.

The fundraiser will be held on Friday, Sept. 16 from

4 to 8 p.m. at the Elks Club in Wakefield. The community has really come together to help Janessa and we have a lot of awesome raffle and auction prizes. The prizes include spa packages, bed and breakfast stays, a Newport cruise, tarot card readings, a personal chef for a night for six people (our own Dean Lennon, creator of the world famous Whassupy Burger featured on Diner's Drive-ins & Dives) and a private performance by Jest Murder Mysteries for 40 people with beer and wine provided by O'Neil's LiquorStore and Appetizers provided by Crazy Burger.

There have been two Facebook pages created for the fundraiser. The first is the actual fundraiser event page and the second is the auction page, which we set up so people whocan not attend can still bid on the auction items.

Any publicity you can provide would be greatly appreciated. If you have a Facebook page and could possibly post the links, that would be awesome.

Thank you for your consideration.

-Casey Montanari

A bittersweet senior year

BY NOELLE MYERS
Managing Editor

Labor Day hits and that means only one thing—pack up your bags and head south. Well that's what it means for me anyway. Only this time, I was packing my bags for my last year of college. It was like I didn't want to pack. I procrastinated and didn't even take my suitcase out of the

closet 'til one day prior. The University of Rhode Island has been my home for the past three years, and it just seems so bittersweet. In nine months I will be leaving behind a house that's in walking distance to the beach and Charlio's, my fellow Cigaro's, my job at the library and most of all my amazing friends. I get to put down the books

and pick up a briefcase. Well maybe not a briefcase, but you get the idea. I will be leaving a world of studying and partying for a world of working. I mean, I guess I don't have to give up the partying. I just have to limit it. Fellow seniors enjoy these last nine months because before you know it, it'll be over.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Football players support new dark blue uniforms

BY EMILY PISANO
Entertainment Writer

Coming back to the University of Rhode Island after a fabulous four-month summer vacation, I became aware that not everything was the same. Roads were rerouted, construction on new dorms started and the bright Keaney blue, which we have become so accustomed to seeing on our football field, had been traded in for a much darker and unfamiliar shade.

It's funny how quickly I became used to the new roads and look of the campus but for some reason, I could not get over the change in the football uniforms. And I'm not even a football fan. At first sight, I can honestly say I did not like them. Why would the team get new uniforms when their old ones were perfectly acceptable? I didn't get it, why fix something that's not broken?

To get an opinion other than mine, I asked URI graduate and former football player Mike Farr what he thought of the new uniforms. I just assumed he would say he didn't like the uniforms either.

His response shocked me. He said, "the new uniforms bring a new identity to the football team," and he knows how hard the seniors have worked. He continued to say that the new uniforms have a "great color scheme and Rhody needed a new look."

Never did I think about the seniors wanting to leave their mark, so to speak. After he told me this, I began to see the uniforms in a new light. They symbolize a new beginning for URI football and a fresh start for a team that went 5-6 last season. A lot of times, putting on your favorite outfit makes you feel more confident. Making it apparent to everyone around you and I think that's what these new uniforms will do for the football team.

When Rihanna dyes her hair bright red or Lady Gaga wears a meat dress, we automatically judge how weird it is. It's almost like their changes personally affect us but change is a funny thing; we either accept it or we don't. When something new is hard to accept, maybe we should think of the people who made

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Musician's Guild 'Unpacks' with free show, great performance

BY BEN TUBMAN
Contributing Entertainment Writer

As classes of the first week of school came to a close and students began preparing for the weekend, it seemed appropriate that the University of Rhode Island Musician's Guild have its own homecoming of sorts.

The Guild organized a free concert, dubbed "Unpacked," its inaugural event of the 2011-2012 school year in the Memorial Union's Atrium on Friday.

Leading off the night was Psycho Circus, a visibly young and energetic ensemble. The unfortunate curse of pop-punk is that every dope with a month of guitar playing experience thinks that they can get on stage and melt faces with their three chords; Psycho Circus is comprised of four musicians that, despite having fairly non-complex songs, managed to play with the finesse and tightness of a well-polished unit.

The group consisted of mostly original songs, throwing in a few covers to reel in any potential new fans. Psycho Circus served as a perfect opener for the showcase, using original melody and

speed to make even the most jaded passers-by nod their heads.

After a short while of packing up and loading in, Scarlet took the stage for what would be another enjoyable set. Even by looking at the members of the group, it became apparent that their music would probably involve a bit more precision than that of the band before them. Scarlet played slow yet technically, progressive yet mellow and the band proved that it could play.

Milkbread was not quite the easiest band to analyze. With a head-scratching stupid name, band class instruments and a lineup as extensive as the Wu-Tang Clan, many people did not know what to expect, even once they started playing.

Once that moment came it became obvious that the band's closing position had been earned. Their music was an amalgamation of several styles as the group's influences reaching from John Coltrane to A Tribe Called Quest.

"Unpacked" proved to be a great introduction to the URI Musician's Guild and served as a great summary of the group's

purpose and goals. The event gave URI students a fun and free way to spend their Friday night, a place to align themselves with the local music scene, and most importantly a chance just to listen to some live music.

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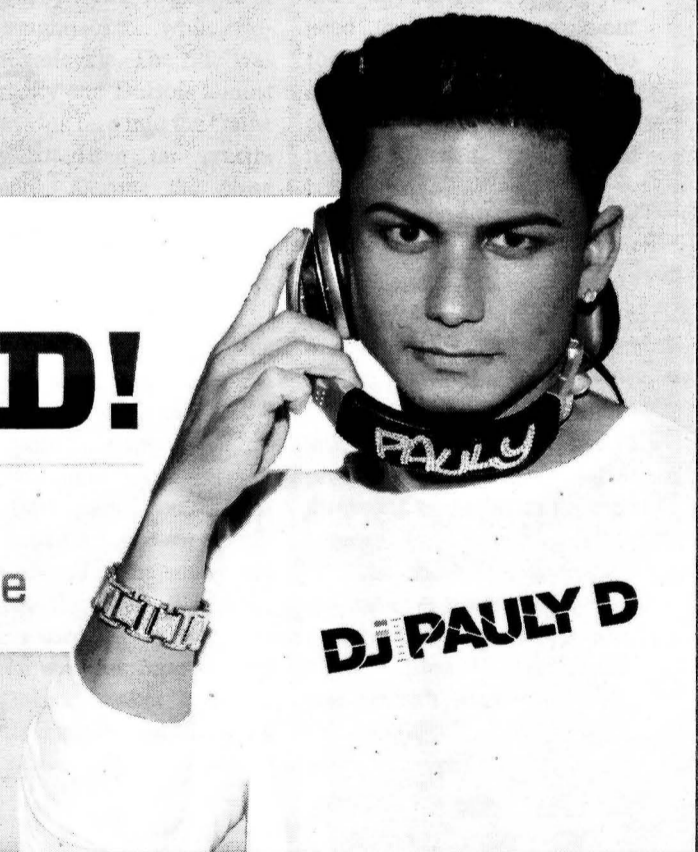
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Man accused in Texas rapes to be shackled at trial

Texas (AP) former Texas prison employee suspected of being a serial rapist accused of targeting older women will be handcuffed and shackled during his trial after his defense attorney made the request.

Testimony was scheduled to begin Tuesday in the trial of Billy Joe Harris, 54, who is charged with aggravated sexual assault of a disabled person. Jury selection for his trial was completed Monday, the Victoria Advocate (<http://bit.ly/rpbrFe>) reported.

Harris' attorney, Alan Cohen, plans to enter a plea of not guilty by reason of insanity.

District Judge Skipper Koetter said restraining Harris was highly prejudicial but that he would allow it for

the safety of his attorney and courtroom personnel.

"The last time we had an outburst, it took four deputies to restrain him and I am not going to put them in that position again," Koetter said. "If they can put a hand on him and put him back in the chair, that's fine. If that doesn't work, we'll have to take more extreme measures."

Authorities believe Harris is the man known as "The Twilight Rapist." The Texas Department of Public Safety has said DNA samples linked Harris to six assaults or attempted assaults over the past two years involving women 65 to 91 years old, and authorities suspect Harris' involvement in other cases. Harris was arrested Jan. 8 in Edna, about 100 southwest of Houston.

Harris, of Missouri City,

was a longtime state prison employee who also worked in the field of home health care.

One of the victims, a 66-year-old, was attacked twice, despite moving across town following the first assault. The attacks rattled so many women that older volunteers at a Yoakum library began locking the doors during business hours, and organizers at one community meeting gave away pepper spray as door prizes.

Harris was found about 100 miles from Rosharon, where he worked in the kitchen of a Texas state prison. Harris had worked in state correctional facilities on an off for about 12 years since 1995, according to state records.

His jobs included two stints at the once-troubled Texas Youth Commission,

which was overhauled several years ago in wake of a widespread sex abuse scandal involving guards attacking juvenile inmates.

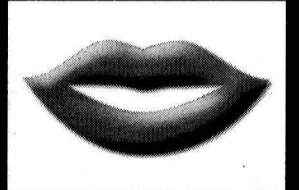
Harris bounced around to several prisons around the state, working mostly in food service. Background checks before his hiring revealed no prior criminal history, according to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Following a string of attacks starting in 2009, authorities believed they were looking for one suspect who became known as "The Twilight Rapist" because most of the attacks occurred around dawn. Investigators found evidence of careful planning at the many crime scenes, including cut phone lines outside homes and unscrewed porch lights.

Harris was also indicted

in Jackson County on a charge of burglary of a habitation with the intent to commit sexual assault. Harris also has pending charges in DeWitt County.

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Uniforms

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that decision and why it matters to them. Instead of seeing the uniforms as strange and unsightly, I now view the new uniforms as a symbol of the team's dedication and as a fantastic way to start the season. After all, who wouldn't get tired of the same outfit year after year? I know I would!

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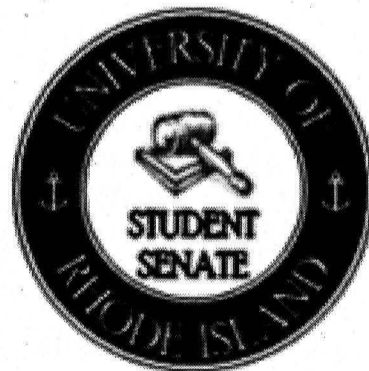
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Oil prices to increase

SINGAPORE (AP) — Oil prices rose to near \$89 a barrel Tuesday in Asia after a stock market rally late in U.S. trading boosted investor confidence.

Benchmark oil for October delivery was up 78 cents to \$88.97 at midday Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Crude rose 95 cents to settle at \$88.19 on Monday.

In London, Brent crude for October delivery was up 48 cents at \$112.16 on the ICE Futures exchange.

A late surge pushed the Dow Jones industrial average up 0.6 percent Monday and most Asian stock markets gained Tuesday. Oil traders often look to equities as a barometer of overall investor sentiment.

A recent pledge by the U.S. Federal Reserve to keep lending rates low for the next two years has also helped bolster commodity prices.

"Crude still appear to be supported by oil's long-term appeal as an asset class amid additional stimulus efforts that include a sustainable low interest rate environment beyond next year," Ritterbusch and Associates said in a report.

Crude has traded between \$80 and \$90 during the last month amid growing investor concern that Greece may default on its debt. Traders are worried a Greek default could trigger similar moves in Portugal, Ireland, Spain and Italy and spread into a global financial crisis.

A slowing global economy also weighed on oil prices. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries said Monday it cut its 2011 forecast for world oil demand because it expects slumping global economic growth to undermine consumer demand.

(AP) Today is Tuesday, Sept. 13, the 256th day of 2011. There are 109 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 13, 1971, a four-day inmates' rebellion at the Attica Correctional Facility in western New York ended as police and guards stormed the prison; the ordeal and final assault claimed a total of 43 lives — 32 inmates and 11 employees.

On this date:

In 1759, during the final French and Indian War, the British defeated the French on the Plains of Abraham overlooking Quebec City.

In 1788, the Congress of the Confederation authorized the first national election, and declared New York City the temporary national capital.

In 1803, Commodore John Barry, considered by many the father of the American Navy, died in Philadelphia.

In 1911, the song "Oh, You Beautiful Doll," a romantic rag by Nat D. Ayer and Seymour Brown, was first published by Jerome H. Remick & Co.

In 1948, Republican Margaret Chase Smith of Maine was elected to the U.S. Senate; she became the first woman to serve in both houses of Congress.

In 1959, Elvis Presley first met his future wife, 14-year-old Priscilla Beaulieu, while stationed in West Germany with the U.S. Army. (They married in 1967, but divorced in 1973.)

In 1970, the first New York City Marathon was held; winner Gary Muhrcke finished the 26.2-mile run, which took place entirely inside Central Park, in 2:31:38.

In 1989, Fay Vincent was elected commissioner of Major League Baseball, succeeding the late A. Bartlett Giamatti (juh-MAH'-tee).

In 1993, at the White House, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO chairman Yasser Arafat shook hands after signing an accord granting limited Palestinian autonomy.

In 1996, rapper Tupac Shakur died at a Las Vegas hospital six days after he was wounded in a drive-by shooting; he was 25.

Ten years ago: Two days after the 9/11 terror attacks, the first few jetliners returned to the nation's skies, but several major airports remained closed and others opened only briefly. President George W. Bush visited injured Pentagon workers and said he would carry the nation's prayers to New York. Actress Dorothy McGuire died in Santa Monica, Calif., at age

85.

Five years ago: Gunman Kimveer Gill, 25, opened fire in a cafeteria at Dawson College in Montreal, Canada, slaying one student and wounding 19 before killing himself. Former Texas Gov. Ann Richards died in Austin, Texas, at age 73.

One year ago: Cuba announced it would cast off at least half a million state workers and reduce restrictions on private enterprise to help them find jobs. Japan freed 14 crew members of a Chinese fishing ship nearly a week after their vessel collided with two Japanese patrol boats near disputed southern islets. On the premiere of the 25th and final season of "The Oprah Winfrey Show," Winfrey announced the audience would receive trips to Australia. Rafael Nadal won his first U.S. Open title to complete a career Grand Slam, beating Novak Djokovic 6-4, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Barbara Bain is 80. Actress Eileen Fulton ("As the World Turns") is 78. TV producer Fred Silverman is 74. Former White House spokesman Larry Speakes is 72. Actor Richard Kiel is 72. Rock singer David Clayton-Thomas (Blood, Sweat & Tears) is 70. Actress Jacqueline Bisset is 67. Singer

Peter Cetera is 67. Actress Christine Estabrook is 61. Actress Jean Smart is 60. Singer Randy Jones (The Village People) is 59. Record producer Don Was is 59. Actor Isaiah Whitlock Jr. is 57. Actress-comedian Geri Jewell is 55. Country singer Bobbie Cryner is 50. Rock singer-musician Dave Mustaine (Megadeth) is 50. Radio-TV personality Tavis Smiley is 47. Rock musician Zak Starkey is 46. Actor Louis Mandylor is 45. Olympic gold medal runner Michael Johnson is 44. Rock musician Steve Perkins is 44. Actor Roger Howarth is 43. Actress Louise Lombard is 41. Tennis player Goran Ivanisevic (ee-van-EE'-seh-vihch) is 40. Country singer Aaron Benward (Blue County) is 38. Country musician Joe Don Rooney (Rascal Flatts) is 36. Actor Scott Vickaryous is 36. Singer Fiona Apple is 34. Contemporary Christian musician Hector Cervantes (Casting Crowns) is 31. MLB pitcher Daisuke Matsuzaka (DYS'-kay maht-soo-ZAH'-kah) is 31. Actor Ben Savage is 31. Actor Mitch Holleman ("Reba") is 16.

Thought for Today: "'Be yourself' is about the worst advice you can give to some people." — J.B. Priestley, British novelist (born this date in 1894, died 1984).

General: US soldiers to be spread thinner

FORT BRAGG, N.C. (AP) — As the war in Afghanistan winds down, the U.S. soldiers will be spread thinner and must be ready to perform a wider array of missions, the new Army commander in charge of training and providing troops for the wars said Monday.

Gen. David Rodriguez, who took over as head of U.S. Army Forces Command on Monday, said that as troops withdraw from Afghanistan, one brigade may have to take over where two have been working. And he said they must be trained to coordinate and use the high-tech surveillance, communications, and command and control systems that are flooding into the war zone.

"I don't think we can afford to have a bunch of tailored forces for different things," Rodriguez said in an interview with The Associated Press just before he took over his new command. "That's why we're going to have to be able to operate across the full spectrum of conflict and use the tools and apply them in the right way."

A veteran of more than 40 months in Afghanistan over

the past 4 1/2 years, Rodriguez takes over Forces Command as the Army faces a difficult future. The Obama administration and a fractious Congress are wrangling over hundreds of millions of dollars in cuts to the Pentagon budget that could slash programs and force deeper reductions in the size of the armed forces.

Already the Army is set to cut nearly 50,000 soldiers by 2016, trimming the force back to about 520,000.

U.S. Army Forces Command, newly located at Fort Bragg, is the largest Army command and is responsible for training and preparing soldiers for battle, with deployments to more than 30 nations, including Iraq and Afghanistan.

Looking into the future, Rodriguez said he needs to be able to provide the trained and ready forces that commanders at the warfront need to meet a diverse threat.

The Army of tomorrow, he said, will have to be more flexible and adapt to many situations, from conventional warfare and deadly counterinsurgency campaigns to training missions that can help an emerging nation learn to pro-

tect itself.

Any future enemy will launch a hybrid attack that could involve a host of tactics, including chemical warfare, car bombs and cyberattacks. And the Army's leaders, he said, will have to adjust and "switch between high tempo offensive operations to a defensive operation to a stability operation to a humanitarian operation."

As Rodriguez assumed his new command, just a few blocks away about 200 82nd Airborne soldiers, weighted down with packs, were saying emotional goodbyes to their families and boarding buses to the airfield, where they would begin their flight to Afghanistan.

Speaking at Rodriguez' assumption of command ceremony, Gen. Ray Odierno, chief of staff of the Army, said that in this time of uncertainty, the U.S. must continue to field the best equipped, best trained and best led force. Odierno said he will be looking to Rodriguez and Forces Command to "move the Army forward" and lead it into the future.

Soldiers today must be trained not only on how to use

their weapons and conduct operations, but they must also master an ever-expanding array of high-tech intelligence, surveillance, communications and other equipment. That will be particularly important, Rodriguez said, as forces shift to the hotly contested eastern border region of Afghanistan, where the rugged terrain and often isolated tribal communities force a greater reliance on long-range observation, a stronger link between manned and unmanned surveillance equipment and dependence on a fragile human intelligence network.

"In my first 20 years in the Army we probably got about 20-30 new systems," Rodriguez said. "In 15 months (in Afghanistan) when I was a division commander I got 172 new ones."

Rodriguez, who was second in command in Afghanistan, is a 1976 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy. In addition to holding commands at all levels, he also served as the senior military assistant to then-Defense Secretary Robert Gates.



URI women' soccer falls short against Wildcats, Black Bears

BY JOE ROBERTO
Sports Staff Reporter

All good things come to an end, and so has the University of Rhode Island women's soccer team's undefeated record.

The Rams dropped two straight games this weekend to XXX its record to 3-2-1, losing both games to the University of New Hampshire and University of Maine 1-0.

"The big picture was that we played very well, we held possession and played a good brand of soccer," head coach Michael Needham said.

On Friday's game against UNH the Ram's offense couldn't get anything past New Hampshire's sophomore goalie Erica Correa.

Having 10 shots, four being on net, the Rams couldn't generate any goals. Freshman Dariann Sellitti had two shots on goal, while seniors Alexis Veith and Stephanie Santos each had a shot apiece.

The UNH Wildcats took eight shots in the first half and one in the second. They connected to break the scoreless tie in the first half at the 23:23 mark.

Senior Stephanie Gilkenson fired a shot from the top of the box, which deflected off the underside of the crossbar, beating Rhody freshman goaltender Ashley Harris.

Harris was busy at work all game, having four saves, and allowing one goal. In the early season the freshman allowed two goals and stopped 10 shots in two games started.

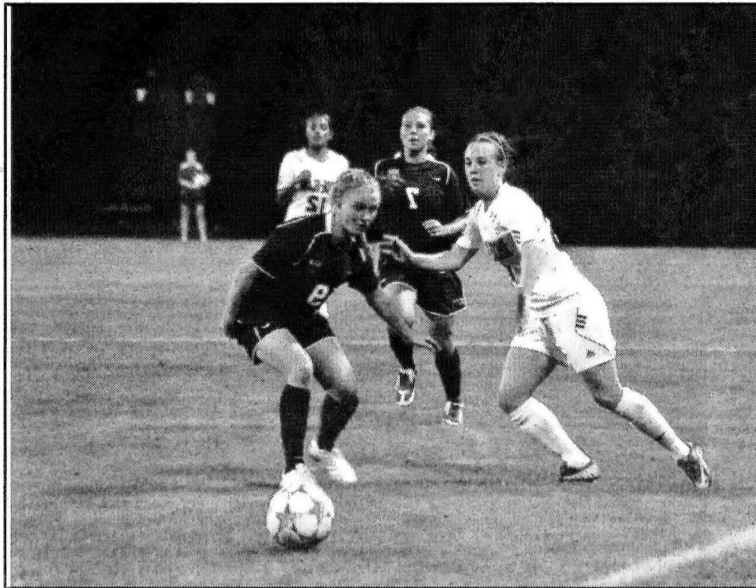
Sunday's match against Maine was the same result for the Rams, a tough one-to-nothing loss.

Maine was able to get off to

a quick start, at the 25:59 when senior Courtney Harnais scored her second goal of the season.

2011 season, stopping all seven shots coming her way.

Counterpart freshman Reilly Lindsey started in net for



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URI women's soccer team fighting for a win this past weekend.

The offensive production was there for the Rams, but the goals weren't. URI had 17 shots, seven of the shots on goal.

"Goals come in bunches, and were going to have our share of goals in season," said Needham. "We are going to work hard this week to get our scoring going."

They outshot the Maine Black Bears in both halves, seven-to-three in the first, and 10-to-four in the second. Along with outshooting opponent, the Rams won the corner kick game by one kick.

Juniors Ashley Evangelista, Maggie MacDonald and Madison VanDine all had solid offensive days, combining for eight shots and three shots on net.

Maine's junior goaltender Meagan Price-Leibenzeder earned her third shutout of the

Rams and stopped four shots but the one goal allowed was just enough for her to earn her first loss.

Lindsey has allowed just two goals in four games started, having a 0.47 goals against average.

The Rams will be back in action to break their two game losing streak when they travel to Boston to take on Northeastern University on Friday matchup.

"We won't change too much against Northeastern, they are a very good team," Needham said. "It's going to be a very good environment and we just been to be able to break their ball pressure and we will be fine."

Northeastern is currently 3-4 on the season, coming off a 2-1 win against New Hampshire.

Football opens season with loss to Syracuse

BY MIKE ABELSON
Sports Staff Reporter

In front of more than 36,000 people the University of Rhode Island acquitted themselves nicely but fell to Syracuse University 21-14 Saturday afternoon at the Carrier Dome.

The Rams, who were opening the season against a Big East opponent for the second time in three years, gave the Orange a fright, but could never get ahead on the scoreboard.

"Our kids played hard," Head Coach Joe Trainer said. "Everyone played well on offense, defense and special teams. We just didn't execute when we needed to."

With the game tied at 14 midway through the fourth quarter, Syracuse executed an 80-yard drive over four minutes capped by a touchdown reception by senior Mike Acchione to put the Orange ahead late.

URI had two more drives, including one that started at Rams own 47-yard line with 3:16 remaining. The Syracuse defense however got to senior quarterback Steve Probst, who was sacked twice, putting the game out of reach. Syracuse came out flying in the first quarter, outgaining Rhody by a 126-33 yard margin, but the Ram defense, keyed by an interception by senior Devon Dace, held the Orange to only a touchdown by the end of the term.

Probst orchestrated an 86-yard drive that spanned the end of the first and into parts of the second quarter that was capped by a 26-yard touchdown run by sophomore Travis

Hurd. Probst finished with 154 yards passing and a team-high 69 yards rushing, and Hurd finished with a team-high 116 all-purpose yards. Sophomore Deontray Johnson also added 70 all-purpose yards.

Trainer said that Probst made some good throws and executed the game plan well.

"Both of those guys [Johnson and Hurd] aren't that big, but they play behind a big line," Trainer said of his tailback tandem. "This allows them to be on second level guys in a hurry because they lose sight of them. That'll be a challenge for defenses."

The highlight for the Rams was a 15-yard touchdown reception by senior Anthony Baskerville. Baskerville, who finished with a team-high 88 receiving yards, cut across the back of the end zone to the near sideline and Probst laid a floater up in corner of the end zone. Baskerville dove, fully extended about 18 inches off the field and reeled in the throw to bring Rhody within a point. A kick by junior Louis Feinstein tied the game at 14.

"He's a great player," Trainer said of Baskerville. "He and [junior] Brandon Johnson-Farrell both made some nice catches. With the emergence of some younger guys like [sophomore] Ramadan Abdullah and [junior] Billy Morgan. It's a good group of receivers to give Probst a lot of options."

Five Rams had four or more tackles. Senior cornerback Darrell Dulany led the way with seven unassisted tackles and nine overall and sopho-

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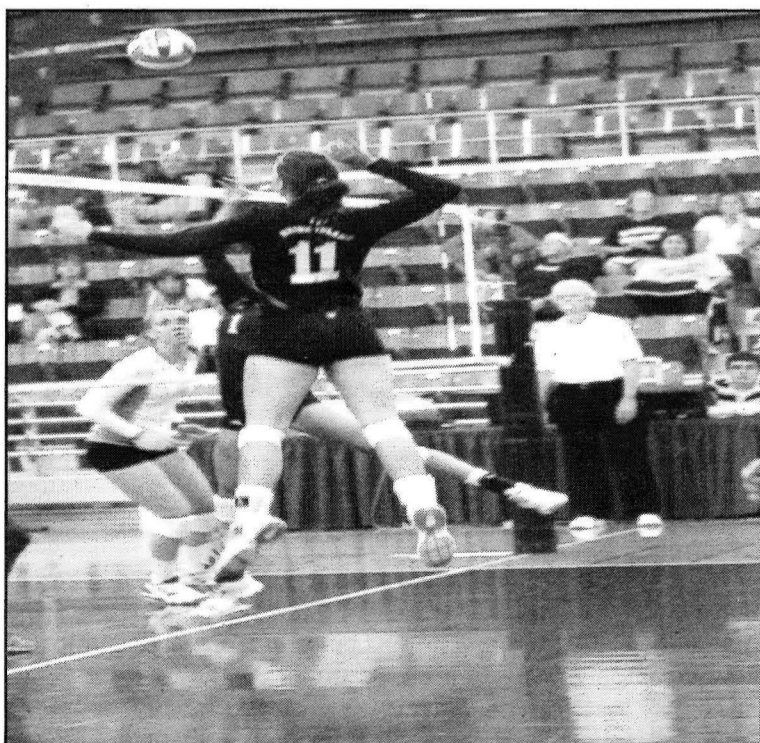
Women's volleyball loses two matches in the Art Carmichael Invitational

BY JOE HOLLENBECK
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The University of Rhode Island women's volleyball team fell short in the finale of the Art Carmichael Invitational this past weekend. The Rams competed strongly but it just wasn't enough as the team were outplayed by the Boston College Eagles in each set.

While the sets were close, the Rams were not able to finish down the stretch and it cost them the match. The first set was tied at 20 points apiece before BC scored three straight points. An ace by Eagle sophomore Calga Sen capped off the set victory 25-22. The second and third sets were both close as BC took them 25-21 and 26-24.

The Rams experienced



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Junior Lauren Wong tipped the ball over the net in Friday afternoon's women's volleyball game against Columbia University.

some great play from senior Kayla Wilson who scored had a tournament leading 44 kills. Wilson also had 36 digs, three blocks, and handled all 40 serves that were sent her way.

Fellow Ram, sophomore Jill Anderson also played well throughout the tournament as she had six kills and only two errors.

Head Coach Bob Schneck talked about the tournament, and shared his disappointment.

"There were times when Kayla played great, but at the same time I feel like we didn't take advantage of opportunities late in the game and that is something I expect her to take care of every game," Schneck said.

The Rams look to get back into the same form as last year when the team won the

tournament. The amount of URIs unforced errors has been the biggest difference this season. Rhody committed 24 errors in 117 total attacks, which is more than they had at this point last year.

"Considering the fact that we had home court advantage, I would've liked to have gotten at least one win this past weekend", Schneck said. I know that we weren't getting a lot of good hits on the ball and that has to change if we are going to have a great season."

The Rams will get that chance this weekend when they travel to Pennsylvania for the Crowne Plaza Philadelphia West Invitational. They will play against three other schools:

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