4-12-2012

The Good 5 Cent Cigar (4/12/2012)

University of Rhode Island

Follow this and additional works at: http://digitalcommons.uri.edu/cigar

Recommended Citation

193: Coffeehouse offers cozy atmosphere, cheap drinks, live musical entertainment

BY NANCY LAVIN
News Editor

Where can you find $1 coffee at the University of Rhode Island? Nowhere, right?

Think again. Though its chain, for-profit counterparts like Dunkin’ Donuts and Bagelz may be more well known to URI students, the 193 Coffeehouse does in fact offer $1 coffee, and a lot more too.

The student-run, not-for-profit coffee lounge has been a student hangout spot since it began in 1994. Originally located on the ground floor of the Memorial Union, where RAM Computers is currently, the coffee spot has since moved to the end of the first floor of the union, tucked away in a corner complete with couches, board games, and a wide variety of beverages.

“It’s not really work, because it’s not anything extremely difficult, but it’s really a lot of fun,” said sophomore employee Kyle DeMartino, who started working there this past September. “It’s really the people who make it a good place to work.”

The staff consists of 16 volunteers who work for a small stipend, about $20 per semester, for three hours per week, according to co-coordinator Elena Krajeski. Krajeski added that despite the lack of monetary incentive, the staff is at full capacity and always receiving more applications.

“I wish this could be a full-time job, that would be great,” DeMartino said. He added that even without pay, he would love to work more at 193 because of the “funky atmosphere and friendly staff.”

“It’s a real community feel, a hangout place,” Krajeski explained. “I don’t have a living room, so this essentially acts as my living room when I’m at URI.”

Plenty of students seem to find the atmosphere welcoming as well, since various student groups elect to hold meetings and events at the shop. The 193 Coffeehouse also has its own method for extracting and testing DNA and the various machines bimonthly open mike nights and concerts on weekends.

“When we have a concert going on or an open mike night, this place is pretty much packed,” DeMartino said.

Between the morning rush for coffee before class and these big events, the shop usually makes about $550 per week, which is funneled back into the coffee shop for buying supplies and coffee, according to Krajeski. Part of 193’s “claim to fame” is its assortment of fair trade coffees and teas, which it purchases from Equal Exchange, a Massachusetts-based fair trade supplier.

Additionally, tips money is pooled together at the end of each week and designated for a staff activity, Krajeski explained.

Krajeski added that one of her personal goals as co-coordinator is to get more professors and faculty to visit the coffeehouse.

“I think they may think they’re not welcome here, because it’s mostly students who frequent 193,” she said, “but this shop is really welcoming and I would love to see more of them here interacting with students.”

Continued on page 7

Heath department supervisor talks role of DNA in forensic biology

BY PATRICK KELLEY
Contributing News Reporter

The University of Rhode Island’s Forensic Seminar Series continued yesterday with its latest lecture, “DNA/Forensic Biology,” by Supervisor of the Rhode Island Department of Health’s Forensic Biology Lab Cara Lupino delivered the lecture in Pastore Hall.

Attending were students from all forensic minors, including junior digital forensics minor Zach Wyman who explained, “the seminar gave me a broader view of forensics.”

The first part of the seminar discussed the role of the laboratory in DNA and forensic biology. This role is broken into five parts: recipient, or chain of custody, processing and preservation, analysis, interpretation and presentation of the lab findings in court.

The second part discussed DNA in relation to forensic science. After a basic explanation of DNA, its structure and basic building blocks, Lupino moved on to STRs, or short tandem repeats. STRs are abundant within DNA strands and deteriorate slower than other structures, making them a prime tool for DNA testing and comparison.

Lupino also discussed the method for extracting and testing DNA and the various machines used to process the extracts.

URI has a close relationship with the state crime lab. One facility of the state crime lab resides in Fogarty Hall and the other facility is located in Providence.

The scope of the Forensic Seminar series ranges from investigative reporting, presented by NRIC 10 investigative reporter Jim Tarkani, to explosives presented by Mark Zabinski, criminalist at the Rhode Island State Crime Laboratory. All fall under the broad category of criminalistics.

The program aims to provide a chance for students, faculty and the public to develop a better understanding of the methods used to solve and present crimes. The seminars are held every week on Wednesday and Friday from 3:30 P.M. to 5 P.M. in Pastore Hall room 124. Next week’s lecture features Laurie Ogilvie, a supervisor at the Rhode Island Department of Health forensic toxicology laboratory. All seminars are free and open to the public.

Continued on page 7

URI student requests more gender-neutral bathrooms

BY KIMBERLY DELANDE
News Reporter

Last night, sophomore Julia Schoellkopf held public forum during the Student Senate meetings, in which she discussed the status of gender-neutral bathrooms on campus and why the University of Rhode Island should seek to have more of them in its buildings. In order to raise awareness about this issue, Schoellkopf is planning to host a protest and collect signatures in a petition in the 24-hour room in the library on Wednesday, April 18.

Gender-neutral bathrooms, according to Schoellkopf, are, ideally, single stall restrooms a person of any gender can use. People who would benefit from these restrooms, Schoellkopf said, are disabled people who may have a caregiver of a different gender. For the same reasons, single parents who have a child who is a different gender than them would also benefit from the addition of more gender-neutral bathrooms. According to Schoellkopf, taking your child to the bathroom when you are a mother with a son, or a father with a daughter, can be an “uncomfortable experience” for the child, parent, and the people in the restroom.

One of the biggest reasons Schoellkopf is advocating for gender-neutral bathrooms on campus, however, is to be more inclusive towards transgender people. For transgender people, using public restrooms can lead to them being harassed, either through “credo comments or with violence.”

“At this forum last night, I’ve talked to a few students on campus who thought this issue wasn’t a big deal,” Schoellkopf said. “I’ve had some people tell me that transgender people could just use a bathroom that matches their gender. Even if they were to do that, they’d still face the threat of harassment and violence. No one should feel uncomfortable when using the bathroom.”

Schoellkopf also noted that there are students who may not identify as either male or female, who would be uncomfortable with using gendered bathrooms. There are also stu-
‘Titanic’ in 3D engages, thrills first-time viewers

As a film critic, there are many films that are considered “required viewing.” While I will willingly watch anything, there have been many times where I put off watching various movies but eventually given in. For the most part, older classics such as “Vertigo” and “Citizen Kane” held up very well for me upon first viewing, but other movies, such as “Come with the Wind” and “Casablanca,” I find overrated. Although considerably younger in age, “Titanic” was always a movie I have avoided. I never had an exact reason, but the big turnoff was everyone constantly talking about it like it was some kind of mystical fable. It looked far too long and I’ve never been a huge fan of epic romances or the latter career of director James Cameron. When I heard it was going to be released in 3D, I decided to push bias aside and see the film. In all honesty, I was shocked at how much I both enjoyed it and was emotionally invested. 3D sounded unnecessary because of its overuse but I actually think it was the strongest asset to my investment. I felt like I was actually there during the tragic and thoroughly long climax of the film. While the movie has a running time of more than three hours, it never slowed down due to the 3D. It may seem ridiculous to include it for the rest of the film, but it works whenever there are dialogue scenes on the exterior of the boat and so the awe-of-the-sunken-ship experience of seeing this on the big screen was enough, but the 3D placed it over the top. I honestly thought it was new footage Cameron shot for the re-release because it looked so excellent. I will say without a shadow of a doubt that this film utilized the best 3D post-production conversion since it became a tool in filmmaking.

Since I find it unnecessary to discuss what the film is about, let me say that the most talked about film romance since Vivien Leigh and Clark Gable lives up to the hype. Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet have incredible chemistry and all the love scenes between the two are genuine and touching. While the script is very melodramatic at points and even cliché, the two overcome it and make the romance seem eternal. I think it is the main reason why this film has so much nostalgia behind it and has many reruns on television. I certainly cannot bash the two performances, but I wish the script offered a few more surprises aside from the typical misunderstandings and infamous ending. Speaking of problems, my biggest complaint with the film is the character of Cal; favorite character actresses and she shines here as the quirky rich man’s daughter. “Return of 4Eva,” his latest project only features a guitarist and a saxophonist, lending nothing but the sounds of their instruments. K.R.I.T. said he decided to leave out featured artists because it was a project to shine light on him personally.

There are features via my dad,” he said. “My dad talked on a record. I had a sound bite from my grandmother. I’m featuring people via conversation [as] they would be in your daily life. You are truly the narrator of your life and that’s what I was.”

The Campus Consciousness Tour, a Reverbnation project, “aims to inspire and activate students in an electric atmosphere while leaving a positive impact on each community the tour visits,” according to the CCT website. Since 2006, the CCT has been visiting college campuses nationwide promoting “greening ele-

Continued on page 7
J. Cole livens up the Ryan Center with raw energy, talent

BY CONOR FAGAN
Contributing Entertainment Writer

As I stood waiting with folded arms and an expression most grim on the sweat-soaked cement floor of the Thomas M. Ryan Center, a crippling wave of déjà vu washed over me without warning. Peering around cautiously at the scores of inebriated freshmen overzealously documenting their night with amateur iPhone photography, it seemed like yesterday I arrived at this very same venue expecting to be wowed by the performance of a young, up-and-coming emcee named Kid Cudi, only to leave bitterly disappointed.

Remains conspicuously absent from most live hip-hop performances, and the crowd certainly reacted as such. The set list swung from one overproduced hit single to the next before the band settled into an organic freestyle groove, followed by some deep cuts from "The Warm Up" about midway through the show.

Cole barreled through live versions of chant-along standbys "Who Dat" and "Workout," but the emcee's seamless implementation of subtle, flowing alterations to his songs' lyrics won this listener over in the end. It saddens me to think that Cole's strict attention to poetic structure may well have been wasted on an audience too absorbed in the sampled soul beats and thundering hip-hop bass to interpret and acknowledge true talent.

It seems as if the undoubtedly influential presence of Jay-Z, with his trudging monosyllabic flow and materialist sensibilities, in the young rapper's lyrics. "Lost Ones," a ballad concerning a pregnant teenage couple that features a fluttering piano section, would feel more cohesive, and therefore more touching and deep, if it featured a lyrical rhythm that reflected the complexities of unexpected patience rather than trite, computerized hooks a la Young Money.

Nevertheless, I left the arena feeling satisfied with J. Cole's performance. He carries the lyrics once borne by Dre, Nas and Method Man. I hope future hip-hop performers will follow his shiningly enthusiastic example.

The Good Five Cent Cigar • Thursday, April 12, 2012 • Page 3
Dreaming of the past...
Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Below: Photo by Teresa Kelly

Students dig into an open air ice chest filled with ice cream at the make your own sundae station of the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.

Students were able to make their own flavor of Sno Kones from a variety offered at the Block Party yesterday in front of the Memorial Union.
Hannity contacted by shooter in Trayvon Martin case

NEW YORK (AP) — Fox News Channel's Sean Hannity has become the second cable news host whose involvement in the Trayvon Martin shooting case has gone beyond merely talking about it on the air.

Hannity acknowledged having a conversation with a man he believed to be George Zimmerman, who shot and killed the black Florida teenager in a case that has ignited racial tensions.

Zimmerman's former lawyer, in quitting the case Tuesday, said the two had been "a rash to judgment" about the shooter.

Over on MSNBC, Al Sharpton has participated in marches and demonstrations in support of Martin while continuing to discuss the case on his evening talk show. There have been stark differences in the attention and focus on the case at the two networks.

Zimmerman was arrested and charged with second-degree murder on Wednesday. He turned himself in and arrived at jail in Sanford, Fla., where the shooting took place. Catholic networks ramped up their coverage to make note of the news.

Hannity's involvement in the case came to light Tuesday at a news conference held by Zimmerman's former lawyer, Robert Uehrig and Sonner. Hannity, who said on his show Tuesday night that he's been pursuing a Zimmerman interview for weeks, said he was contacted Monday by a man he believed was Zimmerman.

He reached out to me, we spoke on the phone about his case and I agreed not to report on the contents of that conversation," Hannity said.

On his radio show Monday, Hannity said he had confirmed that Zimmerman was a mentor to minority children. "Now, if you were racist, I don't think you'd be a mentor to minority children," he said.

With Uehrig and Sonner present, Hannity last week on Fox interviewed Zimmerman's father, Robert. Zimmerman's face was concealed during the interview.

"I would argue there has been a rush to judgment," he said. In discussing a report that the New Black Panther Party had put a bounty on George Zimmerman's head.

Zimmerman died of a drug overdose in 2013, according to evidence reported in the Martin shooting case. The case came to light Tuesday when Zimmerman's father said there has been "the Bridge"," No," said Hannity. "I just believe it's very sad that so many people are not telling the truth for their own agenda," he said.

"Under the Bridge" and "Californication" are not expected to be a part of the festivities in Cleveland, where the Rock Hall is based.

A spokesman for Frusciante, who left the Chili Peppers for a second time in 2009, didn't return messages seeking comment, but Rods and Flea do not anticipate he will be there, and a rep for the ceremony says he is not scheduled to appear.

Nonetheless, the group will still be in good company. The Chili Peppers are set to be inducted alongside Los Angeles rockers Guns N' Roses, New York hip-hop trio Beastie Boys, Scottish folk icon Donovan and British rock group The Small Faces.

In 2009, for Frusciante's return to the Chili Peppers, they would rock out with several of this year's other honorees for a funkadelic mash-up.

It's funny," said Kiedis. "People have asked me, 'Did you ever think you would be inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame?" It's a funny question because the answer is, 'Of course not.' When we started, we thought maybe in periods of 24 hours at a time. The most we would ever think is a week at a time. 'Oh, we have a gig next Thursday. We should write a song.'

Mixing layers of funk, punk, heavy metal, rap and traditional pop over a foundation of rock, the Chili Peppers have managed to achieve a consistent level of mainstream success since their formation in 1983, selling more than 83 million albums and winning seven Grammys, all while maintaining their rebelliousness — though some would say unhealthy sensibilities.

The hall of fame honor comes at a time when the group is literally getting back on its feet. The famous American leg of the tour in support of their 10th studio album, I'm With You," had to be postponed earlier this year when Kiedis needed surgery on his foot, which was reinjured in St. Barts during a game of "toilet tag," a rollicking variation on the childhood classic.
**Classifieds**

**Help Wanted**
Looking for an energetic student for a short-term marketing project. Part-time flexible hours. Need to start immediately and by May 10th. Good pay. 580-494-8905

**Living**
1 roommates wanted. Own bed/both in Harbor Village at the Commons, apt next to George, available May 25 or Sept. $650/month plus utilities. croch1991@yahoo.com

6 Bed New England Ad. 12-13 15 Green Lane (www.vrbo.com/167707)
43 Glendale Rd (www.homeaway.com/vacation-rental/p301374) Email mjverullo@hotmail.com or Call 917-278-2185

www.annobrienrealty.com now for South Eastward Look, Bonnet Maple Ave.
Bedrooms, Utilities inc. 401-515-4650

4 Bedroom 2 bath 2 full kitchen 2012-2013 school year rental available in Eastward Look. Fully furnished. See vrbo.com/291403 for more info + pics.
Email bothbrowne12@gmail.com 401-241-7347

$900/mo Bonnet Shores 2 BR academic year Sep 1 to May 26th fully furnished Utilities incl. 401-515-4650


Narragansett Pier, Scarborough, Eastward Look, Bonnet Shores Rentals. Academic 12-13, summer 12-16 Bedrooms, $500-2400 offers accepted 401-789-3590 www.ambotherealty.com

Large selection of well-maintained homes for rent. No application fee! Call now for 2012-2013. 401-789-0666 or 1-1800-426-0000

South Kingstown 4 bedroom cape. 15 mins. to campus, plenty of parking. $1100/month plus utilities. Sep 15-May 15, 401-661-1945

Eastward Look North, Extra-large 4 Bedroom 2.5 bath, $2100/month nicely furnished, includes recycling + cleaning. Mature students wanted. Homeaway.com #1379941 email amy.batolomeo@gmail.com

Place an ad in the Cigar today! 874-2914

**Senate**
From page 1

Students who are intersex who administrate and using a restroom that is gen­
dered. The safest solution to all of these various issues, Schoellkopf said, is to create more safe spaces on campus, in the form of gender-neutral bathrooms, where everyone can feel included.

According to Schoellkopf, a committee from the LGBTQ Center met with administra­
tion to propose that more gen­
der-neutral bathrooms were created on campus. They cited that 37 buildings that a gen­
der-neutral bathroom out of the 150 buildings in the University of Rhode Island. These numbers, according to Schoellkopf, are "inexcusable."

"There are over 100 build­
ing on campus that don't have a gender-neutral bathroom," Schoellkopf said. "Having only 37 isn't enough. According to the Transgender Law and Policy Institute, the best prac­
tice for a university is to have at least one in each building. That's my goal and that's the LGBTQ Center's goal, but we're still struggling with admin­

Senior Brian Sit also high­
lighted the fact that the LGBTQ Center, last year, held a com­
mittee that attempted to map­
out all of the locations of gen­
der-neutral bathrooms on cam­

The biggest example of how easily more gender-neu­
utral bathrooms could be creat­
ed, according to Sit, is in the library's 24-hour room. The gendered bathrooms have just a toilet and a sink, and there is "no reason why it couldn't be changed to gender­

The situation has improved over the years," Sit said. "Adams Hall has a gen­
der-neutral bathroom, and we're lucky for that, since the LGBTQ Center is there. But not every building or dorm can advocate so strongly."

How I'm Hamilton, director of the Student Involvement and the Center for Student Leadership, said that while there are some difficulties with installing gender-neutral bath­
rooms in certain buildings, it is "not something that is hard to do."

"It's ridiculous to hear peo­
tell you it can't be done," Hamilton said. "There's a gen­
der-neutral bathroom in [Memorial Union], for one. It was not a huge cost for us [to install], but we felt it was a very important thing for us to do."

For Schoellkopf, being able to advocate for more gender neutral bathrooms on campus holds personal significance to her. Schoellkopf, who has worked with special needs children in the past, has seen how people with disabilities cannot often access public places. To her, bringing this issue to light is a great way to help "be more change in [her] campus community."

"During my time at URI, I've noticed that LGBTQ issues and problems that people with disabilities face are often over­
looked," Schoellkopf said. "Everyone deserves the right to be included in public places."

In other news:

Tonight, members of the Student Senate will go to President Dooley's house to discuss various issues on cam­

**Big K.R.I.T.**
From page 2

ments" and is run with the intention on "having a minimal environmental footprint."

K.R.I.T. said he is a fan of J. CoK's music and when he was asked to join him on the tour, K.R.I.T. told him he would join.

When asked what he would have majored in, had he been in college and not rapping, K.R.I.T. answered, "without hesitation, "architecture."

"I really love drawing," he said. "I love designing things and being creative. Drafting would be the second thing only because most architects design the craziest [things] ever. I like to think big. I want to design a building that's on a ball and doesn't fall off."

In order to achieve such a task, K.R.I.T. said students should keep their priorities in line. He said students shouldn't waste the time they have now by sitting around. He stressed students should do well in school.

"Keep your grades up," he said. "Focus on doing your best now because it will pay off later. It's easy to slack now. If you exe­
cute on what's in front of you [and] make sure you handle all of your business now [and] will pay off and be easier to maneuver throughout life [and] your career. Follow your dreams. If something is meant for you, it'll definitely happen."

**Titanic**
From page 2

Stuart does some inspiring work as an older Rose and small bit actors such as Bernard Hill and Ioan Gruffudd provide emotion and screen presence. A strength of Cameron is getting good performances out of everyone and this certainly applies to "Titanic."

Another strong aspect of the film is James Horner's score, which conveys emotion to com­
"Second thing only because most architects design the craziest [things] ever. I like to think big. I want to design a building that's on a ball and doesn't fall off."

In order to achieve such a task, K.R.I.T. said students should keep their priorities in line. He said students shouldn't waste the time they have now by sitting around. He stressed students should do well in school.

"Keep your grades up," he said. "Focus on doing your best now because it will pay off later. It's easy to slack now. If you exe­
cute on what's in front of you [and] make sure you handle all of your business now [and] will pay off and be easier to maneuver throughout life [and] your career. Follow your dreams. If something is meant for you, it'll definitely happen."

**ARE YOU 18-25 YEARS OLD?**

**Have you recently used Marijuana or Alcohol?**

You may be eligible to participate in a research study at Butler Hospital.

Participation is completely confidential and you will receive compensation for all interviews.

**Call Project Heat:**

455-6650

**OR Email:**

PROJECTHEAT@BUTLER.ORG

**The Good 5 Cents Cigar**

**IT'S YOUR paper URI, Come write for us!**

**Upcoming events at the 193 Coffeehouse include Occupy URI meetings this week and next, and a movie night tonight. There will also be a memorial poetry reading for Erica Knowles, a URI student who was killed in a car crash in February, on April 24. 193 Coffeehouse is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.**
Rhody SPORTS

Men's baseball team wins two games in past two days

BY JONATHAN SHIDELER
Sports Staff Reporter

The University of Rhode Island baseball team played two mid-week games and were victorious in both their efforts. The team has now won eight of its last 10 games and has an overall record of 18-14.

On Tuesday the Rams traveled to Hamden, Conn., to face Quinnipiac University in an afternoon game.

Sophomore Liam O'Sullivan picked up his third win of the season on the mound and had a clean slate in the run column through nine innings, giving He went a total of 6.1 innings; he up six hits allowing one run, and hitting a batter en route to the victory.

Senior Jeff Cammans led the way for the Rams offensively going 4-5. Threes were wild for Cammans, he had three doubles, drove in three runs and swiped three bags.

After the Rhody offense put up five runs in the first two innings, O'Sullivan and the team coasted. In the top of the ninth the Rams tacked on three more runs to put the score at 8-1.

Junior Brendan Donnan and junior Matt Young made things interesting for the Rams as they nearly let Quinnipiac back in the game. Donnan sat down two batters in the eighth, but couldn’t get an out in the ninth. Young struggled to get an out himself as the two combined for two thirds of an inning which they gave up five runs on five walks.

Braylin Mike Bradstreet came into the game in the top of the ninth with the bases loaded to get his team out of hot water. He got the final three outs to give his team an 8-6 victory and pick up his seventh save of the season.

“Jeff Ray hits a single at Wednesday's game against Bryant University.

It’s nice knowing we can go to Mike,” head coach Jim Foster said “His stuff has downward movement so it’s good to have him come in and get those groundball outs when we need them.”

The following day the Rams faced Bryant University at home. Again the offense gave its starting pitcher, this time sophomore Kevin Lee, and Stenhall to pitch with a sit scored eight runs through the first three innings.

“Getting our pitchers the lead is huge,” Foster said “Although they didn’t pitch with the lead how we like them to, having the lead lets us put pressure on the base paths and force the other team to make mistakes.”

In the bottom of the second senior Kevin Stenhall reached on an error, which plated the Rams first run of the game. Senior Dan Havestick followed that up with a two run double.

The Rams got the bottom of the third off to a nice start. Cammans, senior Milan Adams, and sophomore Pat Quinn all singled to load the bases with no outs. Junior Pat Fortunato (4-5 with a double) and Stenhall to pitch to drive in a run each. The Rams added three more runs that inning to come to a grand total of five and give themselves an eight-run advantage.

Freshman Ty Sterner got the win as he threw 2.1 innings and allowed one run to score. Junior Bobby Dean followed him with two strong shutout innings striking out two along the way. Sophomore utility man Joe Landi ended the game in the ninth inning to give the Rams the win by the final score of 10-3.

This weekend the team travels to St. Bonaventure University in hopes of improving upon their 6-3 Atlantic-10 Conference record, which is currently good for.

URI men’s football team making progress in spring practice, strategizing on new recruits

BY MIKE ARLSON
Sports Staff Reporter

With the weather getting warmer and the trees starting to bloom it’s time for spring football.

The University of Rhode Island football team is mid-way through its spring practice and head coach Joe Trainer is happy with the team’s progress so far.

“We’re on point with where we are in the first two weeks,” Trainer said “We’re making progress. I don’t think we’ll be as young as some people expect us to be [on the field].”

The team graduated nearly a third of its starters from last season, but Trainer said he isn’t worried.

“A lot of those seniors last year were first year starters,” Trainer said “It’s not like we’re losing a million snaps.”

While some of the gradu­ating seniors were only one-year starters, Trainer and his staff will have to work to find replacements for defensive line stalwarts Willie McGinnis and Matt Rae. The duo combined for 88 starts during their careers.

Trainer also said that the Rams will need to find some replacements on the offensive line.

“I think the key to our success next year is being able to find two guys to replace the inside tackles and how quick­ly can some of those offensive linemen come along,” Trainer said.

Arguably the most important player returning for the Rams will be Ayo Isi­ola. Isi­ola missed all of last season with an injury and took a redshirt year. Isi­ola had 455 yards in 2010 and, combined with returning tailbacks Travis Hurd and Deontray Johnson, should give the Rams offense a new, more physical look.

Trainer said that he is excited to have Isi­ola back but that the team is working with him conservatively as he returns to game action.

As important as spring practice is, Trainer and the Rams are limited to only 15 practices and the intra squad game on April 28.

“The goal is to evaluate players,” Trainer said “At the end of spring you have one of three conversations with each player. You’re where you need to be at this juncture of the career and we think we can win a championship with you. The second conversation is you made major improvement from the end of the season to now, and now you have to make the same improvement before August. The third conversation is the hard con­versation it’s that your role is not going to be much different than it was a year ago.”

The football team will be hosting a bone marrow drive April 26 on the quad from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.