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THE URI EMPLOYEES' NEWSLETTER

URI celebrates opening of Brookside Hall

University of Rhode Island officials celebrated the completion of Brookside Hall, a 500-bed, 203,000-square-foot residence hall that features a cafe open to the entire community, apartment units with full kitchens and living rooms and landscaped sitting areas around a restored White Horn Brook.

And just outside the residence hall's front door, students have safe bike path access to Wakefield, Peace Dale and Narragansett thanks to the URI Bike Path Spur, which opened in November and connects to the William C. O'Neill Bike Path.

"We celebrate the opening of a residence hall that substantially builds on our efforts to create

by Dave Lavalley
dynamic neighborhoods on our Kingston Campus and gives students access to the latest technology, functional and comfortable living and learning spaces and our first dining facility within a residence hall," said President David M. Dooley. Later, he cut a ceremonial ribbon with Vice President for Student Affairs Kathy Collins, other URI officials, and students and staff. The ceremonies marked the official opening of the first new residence hall at URI since Hillside Hall, which opened in October 2012.

"We know that students who are engaged in campus activities feel connected to each other and those who take advantage of our outstanding

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room with a couch, chairs, coffee table, end tables and TV table. Central heating and air conditioning can be controlled in each apartment. Twelve apartment units comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

“Brookside Hall is the latest step in our efforts to build a more robust and vital residential community,” Collins said. “The beautiful interior spaces are filled with natural light and provide students with wonderful views of our campus, including our newly refurbished Meade Stadium. You can almost sense the excitement of future football game days and intramural championships as hundreds of parents and students walk through the area with music blasting from the stadium. Our new bike path will encourage fitness, fun, and sustainability for everyone, and our new 48-seat Brookside Bistro and 120-seat function room will be available to the community for conferences and other events.”

The Brookside Bistro is the first URI Dining Services facility designed as an integral part of a University residence hall. Students and community members will be able to sit and relax with friends while eating breakfast, lunch, and supper, and they’ll be able to grab items as they head off to classes or activities.

Frankie Minor, director of Housing and Residential Life, said students, who moved into Brookside in January at the start of the semester, are raving about the apartments

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facilities do better academically, socially, and eventually, professionally. We expect this outstanding new residence hall to have a positive effect on all of these critical areas for student development and University community building,” Dooley said.

Brookside is designed for juniors and seniors who want to live on campus. There are 122 student apartments, the majority of which are four- and six-bedroom units. Each individual bedroom is fully furnished with a full-size, lofted bed/mattress, three-drawer dresser, wardrobe, mirror, desk and two-position chair.

Each unit has a full kitchen with dining table, chairs, refrigerator, stove, microwave oven, dishwasher and sink and a furnished living

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For 10th Consecutive Year, Princeton Review Names University of Rhode Island a Green College

College guide says URI is one of nation's most environmentally responsible

by Dave Lavallee

Whether developing a solar project with two local towns and private partners, strengthening its commitment to public transportation or reducing its greenhouse gas emissions through major infrastructure improvements, the University of Rhode Island has been cited again by the Princeton Review for its commitment to sustainability.

For the 10th consecutive year, the college guide has named URI a Green College, calling it one of the nation's most environmentally responsible institutions.

In the fall, the Princeton Review announced the 413 schools it profiles in its Guide to Green Colleges. The guide is based on information collected from administrators at hundreds of four-year colleges about their commitment to sustainability.

"We salute--and strongly recommend-- the University of Rhode Island to the many environmentally minded students who want to study and live at a green college," said Rob Franek, The Princeton Review's editor-in-chief.

Franek noted that among the 11,900 teens and parents surveyed earlier in 2019 for its College Hopes & Worries Survey, 64% said having information about a college's commitment to the environment would influence their decision to apply to or attend a school.

The University has made remarkable progress in its efforts to save energy and reduce its impact on the environment. In 2005, the University's Kingston Campus consisted of 3.85 million square feet in buildings and facilities, and now that total is a little more than 5 million square feet.

But even with that growth, greenhouse gas emissions from the Kingston Campus have been reduced by 25%.

"I congratulate everyone at the University for this outstanding accomplishment," said Abigail Rider, vice president for Administration and Finance. "As we expanded our campus, adding state-of-the art science, pharmacy, engineering and residential facilities, we reduced our GHG emissions. Through our teaching, research,

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A GREEN CAMPUS: A student rides his bicycle across the quadrangle on a bright fall day. URI photo by Nora Lewis.

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and the individual rooms.

"We designed the apartment units to be conducive to student interaction and community living, while also giving residents the ability to have private, quiet space in their own rooms," Minor said. "They can also prepare food in their own kitchens or have the convenient option of eating delicious and nutritious meals prepared by Dining Services staff in the Brookside Bistro.

James Coccozza, a resident of Brookside, senior landscape architecture major and also president of URI's Community Leadership Board, said, "Brookside Hall is a place where we can enjoy a quick bite in our new cafe with friends or go to study in comfortable lounges with great views. Students are very happy with their new home.

"One student said he likes that Brookside is energy efficient and it has a nice view of the sunset from the South Wing. Another said he likes that it makes him feel like he is in a hotel," Coccozza said.

The \$94 million project has been financed with revenue bonds supported by a combination of Department of Housing and Residential Life revenues (95 %) for the building and associated amenities, and University general revenues (5 %) for site and infrastructure work.

The project architect is Sasaki Associates, Inc., of Watertown, Mass and the general contractor is Bacon Construction Co., Inc., East Providence.

Pets Corner Invitation

We know how much people like their pets. It's up to you to show us just how much.

Please send us your favorite photo of you and your pet.

We need a high resolution jpg.

Your name and department.

Your pet's name, breed

One or two sentences about your pet. Maybe the photo will tell us all we need to know.

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The Pets Corner



CHECKING MY BLIND SPOT - My grandpuppies, Bailey Jean, a four year old American Staffordshire, and her sister Bella Ann, a two year old Shepherd Mix, LOVE to go for rides. This picture was snapped when I was taking them for a ride and their parents were in tow. Initially it was just a picture of two goofballs with their heads hanging out of the window! We didn't realize how funny the picture actually was until we saw it also captured the goofballs in the rear view mirror!! That would be Bailey Jean checking!! These two rescue pups have brought so much love to our family, I wish others would seriously think about adopting. -- **Erma Celani**, Property Control, Bay Campus.

URI Department of Public Safety Will Now Receive 9-1-1 Calls Directly

by Dave Lavallee

The University of Rhode Island community should dial 9-1-1 to report any emergency, on- or off-campus, effective immediately. The former Kingston Campus emergency number (401-874-2121) will remain in service for the foreseeable future as the campus community transitions to calling 9-1-1 exclusively for emergencies.

Non-emergency calls from the URI community should be made to the Public Safety Dispatch Center at 401-874-4910.

The shift was made possible when the University recently became an officially designated Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) under the state's Enhanced 9-1-1 Uniform Emergency Telephone System.

This designation means that emergency calls from the Kingston Campus to 9-1-1 are now routed directly from the state's 9-1-1 center to University Police and Emergency Medical Services. Previously, calls made from campus to 9-1-1 were routed first to the South Kingstown Police Department, the PSAP historically designated to cover URI, which then had to be relayed to University Police.

The process to join the 9-1-1 system began in the fall of 2019 when URI Public Safety Director and Police Chief Stephen Baker contacted David Smith, director of the state's 9-1-1 system. Smith worked with URI staff to test the technology for URI's Public Safety Answering Point in January. URI's full participation in the 9-1-1 system began this month.

"This step is one of many we have taken in the past several years to make the University a safer place," said Sam Adams, assistant director of Public Safety and director of Emergency Management. "It's part of protecting our greatest asset--our students, faculty, staff and visitors."

Adams said the growth of URI in terms of enrollment and facilities has led to this move and others, including building a robust Office of Emergency Management, establishing community policing and bicycle patrol units and arming campus police, all critical to building a safer campus.

In addition, Adams said the latest research shows that most 9-1-1 calls come from wireless phones and that call locator technology can be used to assist the 9-1-1 dispatcher and URI first-responders.

The 9-1-1 service also provides translators, a key feature for international students and faculty at URI.

"This is a great success story that involves the state's 9-1-1 system, the South Kingstown Police Department, URI's Campus Planning and Design Department, URI's Department of Information Technology and URI's Department of Public Safety," Adams said. "Campus Planning and Design helped us update our campus addresses and maps and Information Technology assisted with state 9-1-1 and Verizon and Cox."

Smith said the initiative is a huge step for the University and the state because it reduces relay times and the chance for error.

"Statistically, RI E911 receives more than 470,000 calls per year," Smith said. "We know that lives are saved when first responders can deploy to a scene or at least provide pre-arrival instruction for medical assistance. The direct routing of calls from administration, staff, students, and visitors at their time of emergency is the best way that our agencies can work together to provide the most efficient and elite public service that they all expect and deserve."

"On behalf of State Police Col. James Manni, and director of the Rhode Island Department of Public Safety, we are committed at RI E911 to providing the best possible service to our state. The ability to provide dedicated service to the University of Rhode Island's Kingston Campus is just the latest example of improvements to the integrity, timeliness and delivery of service."



Warm, Wet Winter is Bad News for Local Water Quality in 2020

by Todd McLeish

This year's warm, wet winter will likely lead to an increase in the growth of aquatic weeds in local ponds and lakes and more algae blooms from nutrient-filled runoff washing into water bodies.

That's according to Elizabeth Herron, director of the University of Rhode Island Watershed Watch Program, which works with hundreds of volunteers to monitor the water quality of more than 220 lakes, ponds, rivers, streams and coastal sites around the region.

"Since waters are warming up earlier in the season, the algae blooms start earlier and keep on going later in the year," she said. "And the invasive aquatic plants that we didn't think would succeed this far north aren't being killed off by the winter cold. Some of our common plants are already green and growing, which is a little frightening."

Not every water body will be negatively affected by the precipitation and temperature, however. Herron said that some sites may actually have improved water quality because the heavy rains will flush contaminants out of the water.

For more than 30 years, the Watershed Watch program has worked with local communities to track the many factors that affect water quality in local water bodies and determine their current conditions. Thanks to the program, much more is known today about how land use, seasonal weather patterns, climate change and other factors affect local waters in good and bad ways.

The program, one of the longest running citizen science projects in Rhode Island, is now seeking additional volunteers to conduct weekly or biweekly monitoring from May to October.

Classroom training for new Watershed Watch volunteers will take place at URI's Kingston campus on Saturday, March 28 at 9 a.m. It will be repeated on Thursday, April 2 at 6 p.m. Field training will be conducted in April.

Volunteers are matched to a specific site that they will be in charge of monitoring. Every week or two on a day of their choice, they monitor and test for a number of water quality indicators. On several designated dates, the volun-

teers collect water samples that are brought to URI to be analyzed for nutrients, acidity and bacteria.

Many volunteers work in teams to share their monitoring duties, said Herron. Monitoring can also be an enjoyable family activity for parents and their children, and teens can use it to gain required community service hours.

Ponds, lakes and some saltwater sites are monitored at their deepest point, so access to a boat, canoe or kayak is necessary. But few river and stream sites need a boat. Other sites are monitored from the shore or by wading in.

Watershed Watch is sponsored by URI Cooperative Extension in the College of the Environment and Life Sciences, the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, and about 40 local organizations and communities.

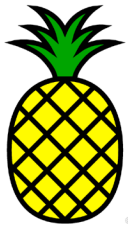
This year the program is also collaborating with the Providence Stormwater Innovation Center at Roger Williams Park to monitor water quality in the park's ponds to learn if the green infrastructure improvements recently installed there have had the desired effect.

"The city has been proactive at installing best management practices – they installed rain gardens, removed pavement that carries stormwater, and took other steps to stop runoff from rushing into the ponds," Herron said. "We've been monitoring the ponds for decades, and we know they've been suffering from urban impacts, but we hope that as the stormwater is controlled within the park it will improve water quality."

Volunteers are needed to monitor water quality in the park, as well as at dozens of other locations around the state.

For more information or to register for the training sessions, contact Elizabeth Herron at 401-874-4552 or at eherron@uri.edu. For detailed information about the program and its list of 2020 monitoring locations visit the program's website at:

web.uri.edu/watershedwatch



Tropical Vacation



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| 5. California | 13. Fun | 21. Palms | 29. Tan |
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and outstanding campus initiatives, we are inspiring our community members and serving as a model for the state, nation, and world through our collective actions. I am deeply grateful to our community for coming together to make URI more beautiful and sustainable for generations to come.”

“We have so much to be proud of, including a new car pooling option for commuter students, developing and opening a bike path, major infrastructure improvements and energy conservation efforts that have resulted in a reduction of 89 billion BTUs in steam heat each year and 11 million kilowatt hours of electricity saved annually,” said Marsha Garcia, campus sustainability officer.

Garcia said the Green College designation is a tribute to every segment of the University community, but particularly the Facilities Group, which is made up of Planning and Real Estate Development, Capital Projects, Small Projects and Facilities Operations.

Dave Lamb, assistant director of Facilities Operations, said the University should be proud of the greenhouse gas reductions that it has achieved. The majority of reductions have come about because of URI’s comprehensive energy conservation efforts. Over the past 14 years, “Few universities have been as proactive and successful as we have in this area,” Lamb said.

Also, we have taken advantage of and maximized the incentive programs available for energy efficiency improvements. In 2019 alone, the University has received over \$1.8 million in negotiated energy conservation incentives as part of its comprehensive interior and exterior campus wide LED lighting conservation projects.

In addition, the University’s Strategic Plan for Campus Sustainability and Climate Action has been the foundation on which the University’s multiple initiatives have been built. The plan’s mission statement calls on all members of the community to pursue “practices and principles leading to a healthy environment, a sustainable economy, and environmental and social equity.” Much of URI’s success can be linked to its infrastructure work and capital projects.

In decreasing its greenhouse gas emissions, the University targets transportation, building energy (steam, electricity) and waste. In 2005, URI produced 94,429 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions, but in 2018, the level dropped to 71,994 metric tons.

URI’s emission reductions are equivalent to planting 5,811 trees and removing 3,251 cars from the road.

In one of its most innovative and far reaching sustainability efforts, the University partnered with the towns of South Kingstown and Narragansett to create the South Kingstown Solar Consortium to develop an ambitious solar power project that will generate economic benefits for all three partners while boosting the amount of renewable energy flowing into the state’s electric grid.

In the works for more than three years and announced in November 2018, the project is among the largest solar power initiatives in New England, covering 267 acres — in West Kingstown, South Kingstown and West Greenwich. The campus site in West Kingstown and the South Kingstown site at the Rose Hill landfill began producing power in November 2018. Through November 2019, the local sites have produced 6 million kilowatts of electricity, with projected annual revenues to URI of \$817,160.

The West Greenwich site to be activated within the year is slated to generate 48 million kilowatt hours of electricity, with projected annual net revenues of \$1.4 million.

The University also has 11 LEED (Leadership in Environmental Engineering and Design) Certified Buildings. The certification process by the U.S. Green Building Council granted gold certification to four URI buildings and silver to another four. The Council has recognized the University for building structures with energy-saving heating and ventilation systems, environmentally sound stormwater runoff systems, bike racks, solar panels and recycled construction materials. LEED certifications are pending for The Higgins Welcome Center, The Fascitelli Center for Advanced Engineering and Brookside (residence) Hall.

URI’s Dining and Catering Services uses locally caught, under-used fish for its Catch of the Month program and obtains around 25 percent

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Job Opportunities

The classified and non-classified application process is now automated so that you can apply on-line for positions here at the University. You will also be able to review the status of your application during the recruitment process, update your on-line application, and apply for positions that become available in the future. For the job opportunities visit:

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Cook's Corner

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Loaded Cauliflower Casserole

You'll never want to eat roasted cauliflower any other way once you try this tasty recipe. Bacon, sour cream and sharp Cheddar cheese coat good-for-you cauliflower in deliciousness for an easy side that will make everyone actually want to eat their vegetables. By Carolyn Casner

Ingredients:

- 3 slices bacon
- 1 head cauliflower (about 2 pounds), cut into bite-size pieces
- ½ teaspoon ground pepper
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 ¼ cups shredded sharp Cheddar cheese, divided
- ⅔ cup sour cream
- 4 scallions, sliced, divided

Directions:

Step 1: Preheat oven to 425 degrees F.

Step 2: Place bacon in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat; cook until crisp, 6 to 8 minutes. Transfer to a paper-towel-lined plate and let cool. (Reserve the drippings in the pan.)

Step 3: Combine cauliflower, pepper, salt and the bacon drippings in a 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Roast, stirring twice, until tender, about 35 minutes.

Step 4: Meanwhile, combine 1 cup cheese, sour cream and half the scallions in a small bowl. When the cauliflower is tender, stir the cheese mixture into the cauliflower in the pan. Sprinkle with the remaining ¼ cup cheese. Bake until hot, 5 to 7 minutes more.

Step 5: Chop the cooled bacon. Sprinkle the hot casserole with the bacon and the remaining scallions.

Nutrition Facts: Serving Size: 1/2 Cup--Per Serving: 150 calories; 10.5 g total fat; 5.5 g saturated fat; 30 mg cholesterol; 280 mg sodium. 412 mg potassium; 7.6 g carbohydrates; 2.5 g fiber; 3 g sugar; 7.9 g protein; 367 IU vitamin a; 56 mg vitamin c; 75 mcg folate; 173 mg calcium; 1 mg iron; 26 mg magnesium;

Exchanges: 1 High-Fat Protein, 1 Vegetable, 1/2 Fat



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of its produce from local farms, including from URI's agronomy farm. Waste cooking oil is also picked up by Newport Biodiesel to use as fuel.

Campus outreach/ efforts encourage community members to save electricity by shutting off lights, television sets and computers when not in use, save water by taking shorter showers (a 10-minute shower uses 80 gallons of water), use cold water for washing clothes and use reusable water bottles

For additional information on the University's sustainability efforts, or to get involved, visit:

<https://web.uri.edu/sustainability/>

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Congratulations to **Katie Duggan, Enrollment Services!** Please contact Shawn Simmons in the Provost's Office (4-4410) to claim your prize.

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