Rockford Peaches: Follow your dreams
By Jessica Decina

There really is no crying in baseball—but there's plenty of hustle.

The highlight of Rider's baseball—but there's plenty of hustle.

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Security Briefs
Return to Sender
After receiving a summons for parking in the fire zone in front of Kroner on Thursday, a male resident student approached the officer who was on traffic enforcement. He motioned for her to roll down her window so he could talk to her. When she did, he threw the summons into her vehicle. He was charged with disorderly conduct and is still responsible for the ticket.

Playing in the Snow
A male resident student was driving recklessly in the O-Lot on Friday, Feb. 24. He was doing doughnuts with his vehicle in front of the snow plow equipment as a Facilities staff member was trying to plow the lot. The staff member called Security and said that Facilities attempted to stop him but were unable. The student made an obscene gesture at the staff member, which is a security camera observed. Security then located him in the student parking lot and asked for his identification as well as his visitor’s. They were finally able to obtain the ID. The student was charged with reckless endangerment and failure to comply.

Flyer Fire
An unknown suspect set fire to papers on a bulletin board in the first floor lobby of Lincoln residence hall. On Friday, Feb. 24, at 11:21 p.m., Security was dispatched after the audible fire alarm sounded and an evacuation was in progress. The fire extinguisher and the Lawrence Police Department (LPD) was notified. Anyone with information is asked to contact Security at x. 9529.

Anger Management
A fire extinguisher was thrown through a second floor hallway window in Hill by an unknown suspect on Sunday, Feb. 27, around 2:30 a.m. The estimated cost of replacing the damaged window is $110.

Correction
In the Feb. 25 issue, in the caption entitled Strengthening the Sanda Connection, Sanda University President Ji Yuan was pictured on the right and Vice President Xianhong Jin was pictured on the left.

Extra day of Thanksgiving break to ease travel woes
By Stephanie Mostaccio

Students will have an extra day off for Thanksgiving break next year and one less day of summer vacation. These two minor changes to the academic schedule will go into effect for the Fall 2005 semester. In order to balance the academic schedule, the Fall semester will be one day shorter, and one less day of Thanksgiving break will be safer for them.

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to make this change not a complex process, but one speed bump did arise. "You always find an idea that doesn't seem so simple," she said. "You always need to accommodate to other changes.

"I would like getting out the door the day before Thanksgiving. I thought that we would accommodate student preferences," she said. Freshman Paula Ewers is in favor of these schedule changes.

"I would like getting out Tuesday night because I would have more time to go home and prepare for the holiday," she said. "It's more convenient."

Dr. Reed Schwimmer, assistant professor in the geological and marine science department said that he also doesn't think that students would leave earlier than Wednesday.

"I would hope they would appreciate that they can use it as a travel day," he said.

Dr. Joseph Gowaskie, associate professor of the history department, said that he hoped that both the students and faculty wouldn't abuse the extra day off, since having Wednesday off allows for travel time during a busy day.

"It would be very disruptive of a very good thing," he said.

Credit card debt, loans or even trying to balance a job or two with being a student can be a lot to handle, and can affect your health. The financial wellness programs, in collaboration with Student Financial Services, are geared to help students think long-term and hopefully avoid some additional stress.

"The events are sponsored by the Health and Wellness Week Committee and are funded by the Mandatory Student Activities Fee.

The Theme Weeks Committee is given a budget through the Student Activities Fee; in addition they requested funding from the Finance Board this semester to offer larger programs," said Carter.

The last event scheduled for this week is Wellness Bingo in Daly’s Board Room at 10:00 p.m.

Jean Ventura, left, and Joan Berger are presented with Rider sweatshirts during halftime of the women’s basketball game.

On Wednesday, the theme was Financial Wellness and a table was set up in the dining hall with pamphlets about how to handle stress associated with debt.

"Financial Wellness can have a strong impact on overall wellness, including stress and emotional health," said Carter.

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