



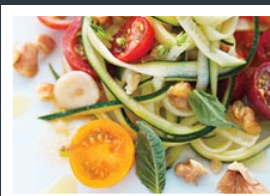
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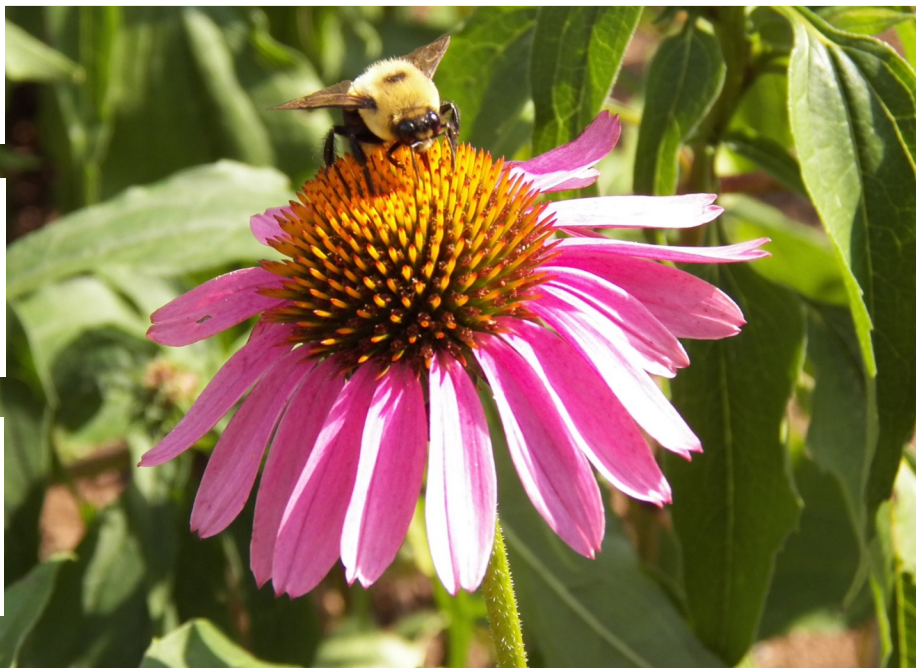
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# The Campus Green

## Welcome Back PC Campus Community

The Office of Environmental Health and Safety hopes everyone had a great summer! As you have probably noticed, the college has been very busy with renovations, upgrades, and new construction. Many of these projects gave us an opportunity to either recycle, re-use, or donate previously used items.

For instance, the renovations at Mullaney Gymnasium had us finding a new home for the old bleachers. Most of them were donated to the East Providence

School System, and two smaller sections were donated to Hope High School. Also, the old folding chairs from the upper bowl area were scrapped, and the materials recycled.

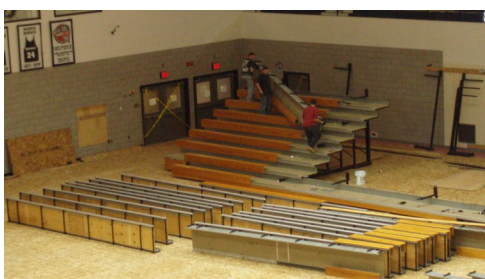
New furniture was purchased for Raymond Hall dorm, which created an opportunity to donate all the old, used furniture. Approximately 700 pieces of furniture, including beds, mattresses, chairs, and dressers, were donated to Hope for Life Charities, who in turn assist the poor and those in need in places such as Guatemala. All of these items will surely be put to good use and are greatly appreciated.

One unusual reuse of a product occurred as part of the Library re-roofing project. Approximately



150 tons of "river rock", which was used as ballast for the existing roof, was removed prior to the start of the project. Most of this was reused at the Ruane Center construction site, the new parking lot on Hendricken Field, and other areas around campus.

These are just some examples of how we can, and should, "reduce, reuse, and recycle" whenever possible. For more information on the recycling process on campus, visit our [website](http://www.providence.edu/recycling), call the Recycling Hotline at x1881, or email us at [recycle@providence.edu](mailto:recycle@providence.edu).







# Campus Connections

## Student Move-Out Numbers Are In!

2760 lbs. of food were donated to the Rhode Island Food Bank.



4125 lbs. of clothing were donated to the St. Vincent De Paul Society.

The amount of clothing donated during the 2012 Student Move-Out was the most ever at PC by over 1,000 lbs.!

Thank you to all who contributed. Your generosity is much appreciated.

## Contact Us!

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## New Bio~swales!

### New Parking Area Allows for Providence College's Latest Green Addition

Those who have previously lived in the Mal Brown Apartments may be initially surprised to find that "they paved paradise and put up a parking lot", as the green space where many students once came together to study, play, or just enjoy the company of one another, was recently renovated into a much needed parking area for campus faculty and staff. While sadness may linger for some who share fond memories of the space, a bit of comfort may be offered in the fact that the renovation created two attractive landscape features known as bioretention swales, or "bio-swales".

The new bio-swales will share the same function as the preexisting bio-swale along the edge of Slavin lawn. When storms produce a large amount of rain, water run-off from roofs, paved surfaces, and lawns

picks up pollutants such as sidewalk salt, lawn fertilizers, and petroleum products from paved surfaces. This polluted rain water then washes down drains and eventually ends up in Narragansett Bay. The design of the bio-swale allows for the rainwater to collect and drain slowly, while the plants naturally filter it. This process markedly improves water quality in the bay, while providing a cost-effective and attractive filtration drainage system for the college.

The new bio-swales feature plants that differ from those found in the Slavin lawn bio-swale, due to its shadier location. Such plants include ferns, astilbes, hostas, and azaleas.

So, when passing by the new bio-swales, keep in mind they serve two purposes; to help beautify the landscape, and they are also good for the environment.



## Little Rhody's

# Big Changes

## New State Recycling Program Will Impact Providence College

### Recycle Together RI

In June of 2012, the State of Rhode Island officially launched its new recycling program "Recycle Together RI". The new program brings about several changes, including a 16.9 million dollar Materials Recycling Facility (MRF), the newest addition to the RI Resource Recovery Corporation's facility in Johnston, RI. The new MRF is the most advanced in the country, as it uses a combination of manual, mechanical, and optical sorting technologies to handle 50 tons of recyclables every hour. In addition, the MRF allows for a new single-bin system, which allows residents to continue to utilize their same recycling bins, **but may place any recyclable item into such bins.**

cally various types of plastics that were not previously accepted. **Newly acceptable plastic items include plastic jars and tubs, plastic take out containers, iced coffee cups, yogurt containers, and plastic egg cartons.** To properly recycle such items, empty and rinse before placing into recycling bins. For a complete list of accepted items, [click here](#).

### Campus Recycling

So how do these changes affect the recycling process here at PC? Up until now, recyclables were always separated into 2 bins; "Paper Only" and "Bottles and Cans". All totes are labeled as such. With these new policy changes, we are now able to mix all recyclables in the same tote! So, pay no attention to the label; all mixed paper, bottles, cans, and newly listed plastic items, can now be recycled in the same tote! (Note: new labels reading "Mixed Recyclables" will be applied soon.)

### Cardboard

Please note the corrugated cardboard recycling procedures remain

the same as always. Students should continue to break down and flatten any boxes that they wish to recycle and place them in the trash room of their residence hall floor, near a recycling tote, but not in the trash barrels.



Faculty and staff should also continue to break down and flatten any boxes that they wish to get rid of, and place them either next to their blue paper recycling bins, or in the hall outside of their offices.

Thank you for continuing to do your part in making the PC community a "greener" one. We hope that the changes brought about by Recycle Together RI continue to increase recycling across the PC campus and throughout the state as well. For more information, please visit our [website](#), call the Recycling Hotline at x1881, or write us at [recycle@providence.edu](mailto:recycle@providence.edu).



The new system also allows for more items to be recycled, specifi-



## Introducing... "The Recycle Bin"

*A place for the Campus Community to "recycle" and share thoughts, ideas, and suggestions for all things "green"!*

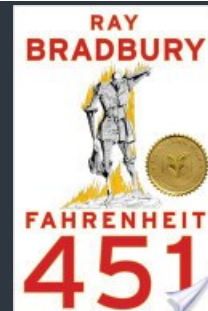
We want to hear from YOU! Have a suggestion regarding recycling on campus? An opinion or comment on the environment in general? Read a good book, saw an inspiring movie, or cooked a great meal? Share it with the community! Tips on healthy living, a beautiful photo, a "cool" internet link...all are welcome!

Send your ideas to [recycle@providence.edu](mailto:recycle@providence.edu) and we will post as many as possible. We look forward to making this your page!



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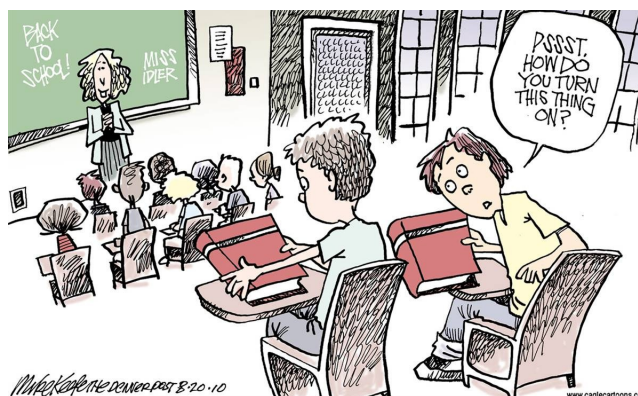
*Fahrenheit 451*  
by Ray Bradbury



Despite being written nearly 60 years ago, *Fahrenheit 451* continues to present themes that are entirely relevant to many of today's cultural trends. Taking a chance to read (or re-read) *Fahrenheit* is certainly worth your while.

## Welcome Back Students!

From the Office of  
Environmental Health  
and Safety



## Recipe of the Month

Try this super-healthy, super-easy, no-cook recipe!

### Zucchini "Pasta"

#### Ingredients:

- 8 ounces cherry tomatoes, sliced
  - 1 clove garlic, thinly sliced
  - 1/4 cup chopped raw walnuts
  - 2 tablespoons torn fresh basil
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
  - Sea salt
- 1 zucchini, thinly sliced lengthwise, slices cut into 1/4-inch-long strips



**Directions:** In a bowl, combine tomatoes, garlic, walnuts, basil, and oil. Season with salt. Let stand 20 minutes. Toss with zucchini and garnish with basil leaves. Not a zucchini fan? Substitute pasta! (Serves 2.) For more simple, no-cook recipes, check out [this website!](#)



Looking for a  
healthy activity to  
take part in?  
Run the Friar 5K on  
October 20, 2012!

[Click here to  
register!](#)