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EDITOR’S NOTE

DOWNTIME  
“When the world burns down, I want to be able to build it back up again. That’s why I’m in engineer-ing. Things like this should just never, never happen,” said my roommate, cautiously peering out into the hallway. Or at least, that’s what I think she said; I must admit, I had some difficulty hearing her over the howls of frustration echoing throughout Gibson 2. Emanating from the lounge area (some of which have apparently been turned into quintuplets this year? My sympathies, Freshmen. That’s utterly insane.), I heard the now familiar crash of people throwing things against the wall in fits of rage. A red-eyed, somber group gathered in the hallway, completely beside themselves, unable to function. My God, I remember thinking to myself. Is this what we are reduced to?

It was the winter of my sophomore year, and we were in the middle of yet another internet black-out. For some reason, they were happening up to twice a week – sometimes for just 3 or 4 minutes, sometimes for up to 3 or 4 hours. This outage was particularly excruciating; Burning Crusade (an expansion for World of Warcraft) had just come out, and no one on our floor was able to log on. The result was absolute anarchy.

This formerly repressed memory was the first thing that came to mind as I read Elvis Montero’s article, “Strolling in The Cloud.” While it wasn’t an exact match to the situation he describes, my dorm-mates were hit with that same sense of desperation that the users of Amazon’s S3 did during its downtime. Clearly, they had no back up plan for entertainment that evening. Should Gmail go down again (or Yahoo! Calendar or SIS whatever it is that they need), I doubt they will fare any bet-ter. For that matter, I’m not sure I will either. I feel like extended outages of our favored web apps could be the thing to bring all of RIT to its knees.

Still, that might not be a bad thing. Did you know that goldfish lose their pigment if they don’t get enough sunlight? (See “At Your Leisure.”) Or that RIT has installed new, pedestrian-friendly side-walks so that students can actually walk the loop around campus? (See “Deep Economy.”) When was the last time you spent an afternoon outside, anyway?

Better take advantage of this warm weather while you still can. You can back up your data some other afternoon.

  
Laura Mandanas  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

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PUBLIC SAFETY PURCHASES “UNMARKED” PATROL VEHICLE  
by Ilsa Shaw

Public Safety supervisors are currently using an unmarked patrol vehicle on campus. Christopher Denninger, Director of Public Safety, explains, “It is a work in progress.”

The vehicle, a brand new gray Ford hybrid, will soon be detailed with black graphics and a more distinguished Public Safety logo. “The logo will be changed a little bit just so the [word] ‘safety’ pops out a little,” says Denninger. The final design decision is expected to occur Monday of this week.

The car will be part of a fleet of four, three of which are not yet purchased or in use. Two of the cars will be provided as part of a grant from RIT’s Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies (CIMS). “CIMS had received grant money to test hydrogen ve-hicles. We were lucky enough to get two of those,” says Denninger.

The purchase of all four vehicles reflects the department’s stance on renewal and replacement, as well as a step towards the reduction of fuel dependency. According to Denninger, the use of hybrids will save 75 to 80 percent in fuel usage for the depart-ment. “Reducing the carbon footprint is huge, and reducing fuel is huge,” remarks Denninger. Each purchased vehicle will be used and will have 110,000 to 120,000 miles. They will eventually replace the vehicles currently being used around campus.

As part of this plan, Denninger will also allow students participating in this month’s campus Crime Watch to use hybrid vehicles for transportation.

PARKING REGULATIONS TIGHTEN UP  
by Andy Rees

New parking regulations, which took effect September 1st, come as the result of the increased demand for parking. These guidelines, first mentioned at the Parking and Transportation Services’ (PATs) strategy presentations last year, designate all academic parking lots for use by commuter students, faculty and staff only. Resident students, a group that now includes the Park Point apartment tenants, are restricted from the academic lots during business hours (5 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

This restriction is a significant change from years past, where upperclassman resident drivers were allowed to park in general academic spaces after 1 p.m. Resident students were also eligible to purchase reserved parking passes, which is now not an option.

PATs embarked on a fact-finding project last year, in an effort to better plan for the trans-orta-tion problems of the future. One of the stated goals of the project was to, “Provide parking for those groups for whom no reasonable alternative to driving exists.”

The new regulations, according to a PATs presentation in April, are a short term solution to ac-complish this goal. In addition, PATs has doubled the number of buses (starting with two, ending with four) operating on the RIT shuttle route. The schedule now allows for service to each bus stop every 10 minutes.

Resident students, who learned of these restrictions on August 1st, have not been terribly happy, and have even formed Facebook groups with titles like “RIT Parking Regulations are Miserable,” in an effort to organize complaints. According to the group, despite the increase in shuttle service, “depending on where you’re coming from and where you’re going, it could still take almost a half hour to get there.”

Parking and Transportation Services could not be reached for comment.

RIT FORECAST

compiled by Jamie Douglas

6 SATURDAY  
COMEDIAN B.J. NOVAK  
University of Rochester’s Strong Auditorium on the River, 9 p.m. B.J. Novak (Ryan the temp) from NBC’s hit sitcom “The Office” performs.  
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7 SUNDAY  
ROCHESTER IRISH FESTIVAL  
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8 MONDAY  
THE FOOL & FRIENDS  
The Mez, Gregory Street in Rochester. Starts at 8 p.m. Acous-tic folk music, poetry, and interpretive dance.  
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9 TUESDAY  
POETRY OF PIANO AND THE ART OF ASSEMBLAGE  
Nazareth College Arts center, 4245 East Avenue in Rochester, 3 p.m. Classical music with Kevin Nitsch and Kathy Nicastro.  
Cost: free.

10 WEDNESDAY  
IMPALED, PHOBIA, ILLOGICIST, MARUTA, KILL THE CLIENT  
Penny Arcade, 4785 Lake Avenue in Rochester, 7 p.m. Pop/rock.  
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11 THURSDAY  
FARMERS’ MARKET  
Gordon Field House, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Browse a selection of nutritious fruits and vegetables grown by local farmers. Mas-sages offered.  
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Ingle Auditorium, 10 p.m. – midnight. This time, CAB’s Thurs-day night film series brings you an exciting FBI thriller. All attendees will be provided with free, delicious oatmeal pies after the movie.  
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12 FRIDAY  
ALYSSA COCO  
The Ritz, 10 p.m. Local 17 year old singer/songwriter Alyssa Coco graces our campus with her warbling melodies and dazzling smile. A one-time American Idol contender, she has been performing since the age of five, so she must be really good. Right?  
Cost: \$1.



# DEEP

# ECONOMY

## WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?

by Carolyn Dunne | illustration by Jamie Douglas

This year's freshman summer reading choice, *Deep Economy* by Bill McKibben, was perhaps not the most rousing of choices; nevertheless, it was an excellent selection for initiating dialogue about our future. In the book, McKibben argues that we must reject the assumption that an increase in economic growth and possessions will make us more content. Judging by the way we are heading, there will not be enough resources available for everyone to achieve more, and there will not be enough replenishment of those resources to sustain anything even closely resembling our current lifestyle. According to McKibben, the key to greater progress is to slow the consumer demand that impacts the availability of resources. He proposes that a household needs to earn \$10,000 per inhabitant to achieve the optimal level of contentment; earning more than that has no further positive effect.

On this point, there is much disagreement. Associate Professor of Economics at RIT, Dr. Jeanette Mitchell, found that McKibben's proposal "went against the basic principles of capitalism," a system that prides itself on finding the most cost-effective way to provide goods and services for a competitive

price. Says Mitchell, "The concept of placing a uniform amount of money that creates optimal happiness is ridiculous because everyone's idea of what would make them content is completely subjective and unique to them." In this aspect, I am much more inclined to agree with Mitchell. Surely, the environment in which a person is raised has a huge influence on what they define as "comfortable!"

Despite this, many readers found the environmental aspect of *Deep Economy* quite resonant. New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG), a non-partisan and not-for-profit environmental and consumer advocacy organization based in New York State, would agree that an immediate change needs to occur in both government policy and society in order for a positive environmental change to occur. For the past two summers, NYPIRG has been working to establish an energy plan that makes use of wind, water, and solar power to supplement our current energy sources with the intention of eventually decrease the pollution output of New York State associated with energy production. Another popular campaign that was specifically environmental was the creation of the Bigger Better Bottle Bill, which will allow consumers to receive a five cent deposit amount for beverage containers that were not currently on the deposit system. NYPIRG considers that small changes, when executed smartly and with substantial support, have the potential to create huge impacts on our daily lives.

How is RIT keeping up? The institute has shown considerable commitment to the value of sustainability during the past school year. Some of the simplest measures have resulted from Dining Services working with the Student Environmental Action League (SEAL), most of which had little to no impact on the way in which we receive and consume our food on campus. Unbleached napkins were used at every on-campus eatery for an entire year of food service. During Spring Quarter, Gracie's eliminated tray usage

except for those with disabilities, which created an immediate decrease in the amount of food waste and helped to conserve the amount of water and cleaning supplies required to clean the utensils at Gracie's.

At the same time, the RITz was undergoing experimental use of biodegradable utensils and containers made from corn or recycled paper. Though eventually deemed too costly, this effort was a step in the right direction. And according to the RIT Green website, baking soda is now the cleaning agent of choice throughout campus.

As a campus, approximately 35% of our energy usage is supplied by green (or eco-friendly) sources of energy, including nuclear, hydro, and wind power. Heating, cooling, and electrical renovations are also expected to increase RIT's energy efficiency, and will be continuing through Fall 2009.

The new academic year will bring with it the introduction of RIT's first Farmer's Market every Thursday during the Fall. It will feature organic produce whose fertilizer was composted waste generated through RIT's food preparation service. This year has also brought about a new dedication to improved mass transit and pedestrian travel, with many more RIT shuttles available to go off campus or to Park Point and the RIT Inn. The loop around the RIT campus has also become more pedestrian and biker friendly, with a wide sidewalk that has almost completely been installed throughout the campus. Along with the wide sidewalks, several sheltered bike racks are expected to be installed during the school year.

For more on RIT's effort to increase sustainability, visit <http://www.rit.edu/fa/ritgreen> and learn what you can do to help with these efforts. To become involved with SEAL, go to <http://www.rit.edu/sg/seal> or contact one of the current officers for more information. •





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# AT YOUR LEISURE

by John Howard

## STREAM OF FACTS

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Des Plaines, Illinois was the site of the **FIRST** McDonald's restaurant. In 1954, Ray Kroc, recent investor and sole distributor of a milkshake mixer known as the Multimixer, was impressed by the speedy service of Dick and Mac McDonald's hamburger stand. Kroc convinced the McDonald brothers to go public and open more stores so that he could, in turn, sell them more Multimixers. What started out as a sales pitch for his **MILK** product machines, became the 62.13-a-share corporation of yellow arches that spans the globe today.

Actors snorted powdered **MILK** in the cocaine scenes in the film *Blow*, starring Johnny Depp and Penelope Cruz, based on the book by Bruce Porter about the true life of drug entrepreneur, George Young. The last line of the film, "There are no more **WHITE** horses or pretty ladies at my door," is a reference to the song *Lucky Man* by the classic rock band Emerson, Lake & Palmer.

If you have a goldfish in your dorm room this year and it happens to turn **WHITE** on you, don't freak out. It's probably because you have your shades pulled down. Goldfish, along with many other scaled animals, change color in response to sunlight levels. Fish produce their pigment through cells known as chromatophores; the same cells that enable chameleons to change color.

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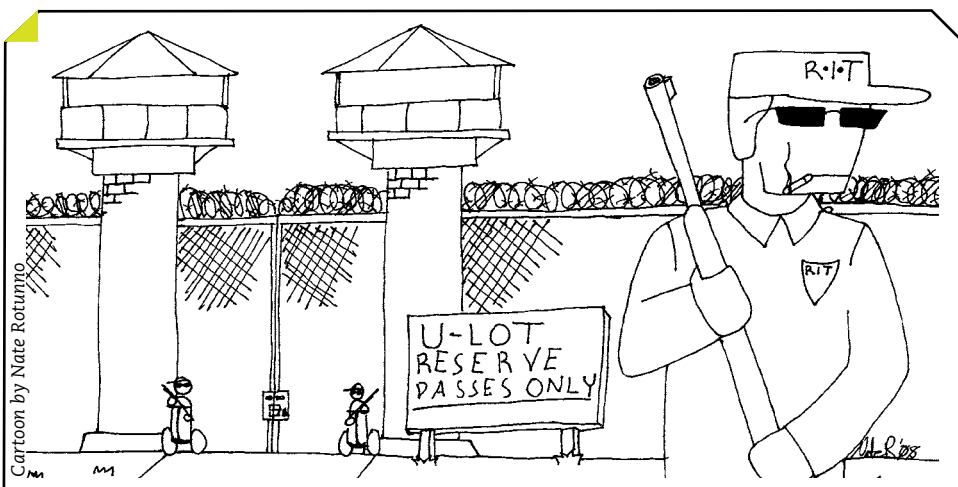
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## OVERSEEN AND OVERHEARD AT RIT

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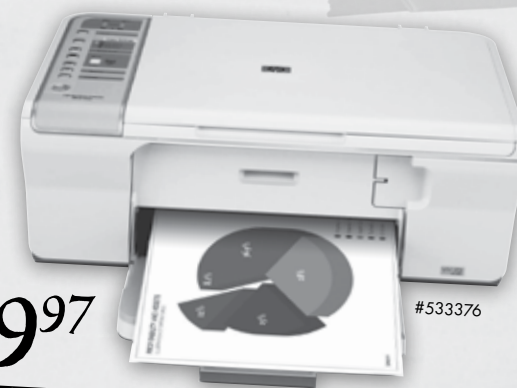
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# PARK POINT DOES IT LIVE UP TO THE HYPE?



The Sentinel, the infinity quad, RITchie, and the quarter mile: these are the landmarks which so comfortably greeted new students to the RIT campus for years. Now, throw in a Barnes and Noble, several restaurants, a convenience store, and some swanky new apartments, and you're looking at the modern campus, the segment at the very forefront of RIT civilization – once it fully opens, that is. Though people are moving



into the apartments and a few stores have opened their doors, the grand opening will not be held until September 27th.

Park Point is such a recent development that it hasn't even been fully integrated; several message center announcements have even referred to it as an "off-campus" area. Don't let that stop you, though, because free shuttle buses run between Park Point and Gleason Circle between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. every weekday. In addition, the less direct RTS 33 bus makes a few stops there every so often.



Photographs by Ben Liddle

Just in case you haven't had a chance to be formally introduced, *Reporter* takes a look at the establishments that Park Point has to offer so far.

## Lovin' Cup

by Michael Barbato

The Lovin' Cup is among the first shops to open at Park point. The café is privately owned by two enthusiastic young entrepreneurs and is operated by some local and student employees. The sprightly Leslie Zinck and youthful Erik Ward were gracious owners as they interpreted their modern bistro design. "It's about embracing more than one thing and about keeping the vibe going so people don't get stuck with a lack of variety," said Zinck.

The bistro offers a tame but playful atmosphere amplified by a resounding music motif. Daily menus are given names like *Wrap her up*, *It's a Beautiful Morning*, and *Stir it Up*. Similarly, there is a full menu with items like *Rage against the green*, *All-ap-olive-gies*, and *Karmal Police*. The menu offers full courses as well as quickie snacks. Wraps, burgers, and stuffed artichokes are just a few of the soon-to-be favorites. Drinks range from an assortment of wines, beers, and coffee to smoothies and tea.

The café itself has a brilliant uniqueness. There is a labyrinth of mood lighting illuminating the many seating options from booths, high tables, and lounges to bar stools at the counter. The music motif continues with the offset stage where "there will be live performances from local and out of town bands, comedy [acts], and open mic nights, as well as a showcase for amateur films," as Zinck informed me.

The walls, though displaying artwork, are a rich chartreuse which blends well with the deep mahogany of the chairs and metal-worked tables. Lovin' Cup is very much influenced by creative work featuring tables that are almost sculptures in and of themselves, with metal work done by Ward's younger brother. People from around the area are welcome to display and even try to sell their artwork as well.

Lovin' Cup definitely gets two thumbs up for the performance stage, uniqueness of decoration, and robust beer and wine list. Definitely check it out for yourself. Try the *Wrapper's Delight*, a turkey club, and the *Stone cold and crazy*, an iced cappuccino; it won't disappoint.

*Lovin' Cup is open Monday through Thursday 6:30 a.m. to midnight, Friday 6:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Saturday, Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, and Sunday 9:00 a.m. to midnight.*

## Gallery Salon Too

by Laura Mandanas

Gallery Salon Too is, far and away, the happiest store at Park Point. Granted, there are only three stores open right now, and most of the people I saw at Barnes and Nobles were purchasing absurdly overpriced textbooks. Gallery Salon Too is still a standout in the happiness department. Seriously – two of the stylists broke out in song while I was there. My guess is that it's the effect of the salon's track lighting; everyone looks good in its soft, flattering pink

glow. Or they're putting something in the water aside from scented soaps and hair product.

Since the salon's opening five weeks ago, they've settled in quite nicely. The stylists are friendly and personable, and the original University Avenue Gallery Salon's prices have been lowered slightly to accommodate student budgets. With men's haircuts for \$12 and women's for \$25, their prices are comparable to the pre-existing salon, Hair Techniques, in the SAU. Highlights and other chemical services cost \$40 and up. (Note: If you snag one of the business cards they have at the front counter and tell them that it's your first visit, you can get 10% off.) While I didn't end up getting my hair cut, all the clients I observed leaving the salon appeared to be very satisfied, and for good reason. They all had fabulous hair.

Out of sheer curiosity, I tried a couple of the spa services. For \$10, 13 minutes of my time, and a trivial amount of pain, my eyebrows were trimmed, waxed and smoothed into submission. For another \$40, my feet were massaged, exfoliated, and lotioned. Special attention was given to my toenails, which were trimmed, filed, and painted with care. And while I can honestly say that my feet have never looked so good, I think I'd almost prefer to have my gnarly toes and two twenties back. After all, we're in Rochester; in a few weeks, the weather will be much too cold to wear any type of shoe which will display the works of art that are my feet. But oh well. The pedicure was relaxing, at least, and it gave me something to do for an hour.

So, if you've got some time to kill and some money to spend, consider adding this to your list of things to check out. At the end of my walk-in appointment, I walked out of the salon looking a little prettier and feeling a little happier than I did when I walked in. Maybe you will too.

*The Gallery Salon Too is open Monday through Thursday from 12 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.*

## Barnes and Noble @ RIT

by Ilsa Shaw

Every time I picture myself in an orange and brown RIT shirt, I look comically like a block of wood. That being said, Barnes and Noble @ RIT would not be my choice store for apparel. Nearly half of the entire first floor is littered

with RIT logos ingrained upon pilsner glasses, ties, lapel pins, and etched pens — all totaling a mere \$150.

The walkway is boxed tightly between this slough of logos, a sight which would seem uninviting to regular bookstore-goers, and the check-out line. Within the same neighborhood, there is a Starbucks housing massive magazine racks to scamper to if you ever have a fierce itching to read *Cosmopolitan*. Oddly enough, there is also a small supplies shelf full of handy knick-knacks such as shaving cream and deodorant. You know, just in case that grande latte jolts your brain into remembering that you're out of toothpaste.

Whereas half of the lower level seems to be collision of college paraphernalia, cash registers, and coffee, the other half is a battle between fantasy and fiction. A couple of steps down the aisle and just around the corner from several bookshelves spanned with sci-fi novels and manga, there is an entire display devoted to Dungeons and Dragons.

The escalator ride to the top floor features a large billboard of a rather sunny, summery downtown Rochester. Noticing this, I thought there might be hope that the top floor be less RIT-centric. As my eyes wavered over the moving lines of the escalator stairs, I saw it: a gigantic yellow duck bath mat. It blended in perfectly with the trash cans and shower supplies.

Moving past these dorm supplies, there is another book area where you can find almost every bookshelf littered with *For Dummies* books. Past that is a cozy, couch-filled reading area that is nestled just beside the textbook department. This area is surrounded by the bookstore's true audience: confused students and newly-appointed RIT moms. Heading back downstairs, the escalator ride features a collage of RIT-related imagery.

As expected, Barnes and Noble @ RIT is just that: at RIT. It wouldn't take more than a glance from your *Grappling For Dummies* book to convince you further, nor a coffee break punctuated with toothpaste woes. If you are seeking a replacement for the SAU bookstore location, you will surely find it here, but do not expect a grand escape into the fascinating world of books.

*Barnes and Nobles is open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. •*





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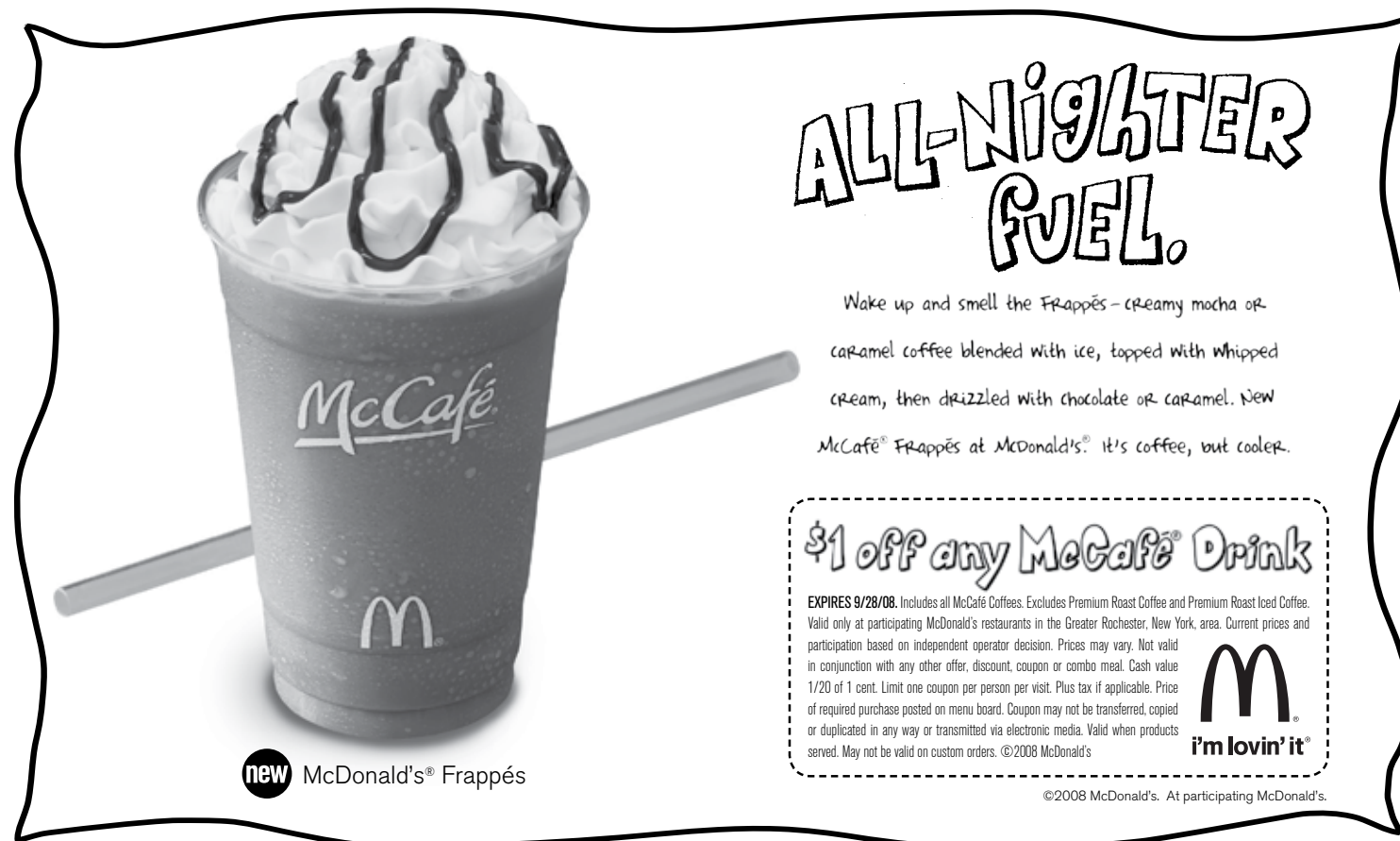
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As teenagers and young adults, we are very comfortable with the prospect of dealing with a website to arrange any of the myriad activities we conduct daily, from buying movie or concert tickets, to checking bank statements, to finding directions, to posting and sharing pictures with family and friends. Furthermore, we have no qualms about embracing new, shiny web 2.0 applications as soon as they become available, nor about quickly filling up their recently developed databases with tidbits of our personal information. We undeniably are internet's early adopters.

However, the trend surpasses mere use and disclosure of private information. Most of us are completely immersed and dependent upon several popular sites that we chiefly use to handle our calendars, e-mail accounts and documents. If we are not cautious, the negative aspect of this tendency can quickly manifest itself. No, I'm not talking about privacy issues. Let me explain.

We are used to thinking that internet applications are always and everlasting. If it's online, it's going to be there forever. Period. What if, all of the sudden, your favored site goes offline indefinitely? Do you have a backup strategy? Oh, you think that's nonsensical? Jocular perhaps? Not for the many people who tried to access Gmail a few weeks ago, just to realize Google's famous free mail service was unavailable.

The downtime lasted several hours. As one would expect, the public outcry was rampant and merciless. How is it possible that Google, arguably one of the most powerful IT companies in the world, experienced such an abnormal, incredibly long downtime? Alas, they are not alone in this department.

A similar situation unfolded when Amazon's S3, an online storage service utilized primarily by small startups and free-lance software engineers, became inaccessible for several

hours. More than one new-generation entrepreneur went ballistic, and the irate statements are still reverberating in the blogosphere and in online forums.

In spite of the complexity of web applications and concepts such as availability and scalability, this situation is perfectly understandable given the status quo. Technology is not the problem. Web applications are not the problem. The culprit here is our stance on the internet.

Our desire and ability to use *the cloud*, an en vogue term used to describe the new generation of online services and web applications, as a bona fide replacement for desktop programs is not deplorable per se. Nevertheless, believing that online apps are impervious to downtimes and technical glitches is utterly sinful. A good friend of mine used to say, "Web apps are like hard disks. They will fail whenever you least expect it."

I can practically hear your clamor now. "Then what do you suggest we do, Elvis? How can we conceivably act in order to ameliorate the deleterious effects of a nefarious downtime?" Unfortunately, there is no easy answer here. If you don't want to fall prey to unexpected internet malfunctions, then you'll have to do a little bit of research, depending on the web application you're dealing with. For instance, online calendars such as Google Calendar and Yahoo! Calendar allow you to export your events in different formats so that you're able to synchronize them with local programs. Other web tools provide comparable options. Ultimately, it's all contingent on the services you use and the amount of data you have on them.

In spite of everything, it would be unwise not to have a strategy when your preferred online tool is not available. Reflect on the consequences for just a moment. You don't like that vision, do you? Now, you'll have to excuse yours truly. I need to go and ponder how on Earth I'm going to save this 4.2 GB Gmail account onto my laptop. ▶

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**TUESDAY, 11:05 P.M.**  
Isaac Newton came up with the theory of gravity, but he stole it from some other dude. It was like some Indian dude like 40 years ago. So Newton is full of [shiznit]. Gravity does not exist because Newton stole the idea from somebody else, so that totally invalidates the idea. Pansy!

**SUNDAY, 12:26 A.M.**

THIS IS AMAZING. I AM WEARING YOUR MAGAZINE RIGHT NOW. I AM WEARING IT ALL OVER MY BODY. RINGS, I GOT YOUR PHONE NUMBER OFF OF THE PAPER THAT I HAVE ON ME RIGHT NOW. I MADE IT INTO A DRESS. IT'S GREAT. ALRIGHT, BYE.

**WEDNESDAY, 7:14 P.M.**  
**RINGS, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: DAVID BOWIE'S CROTCH.**

**WEDNESDAY, 9:24 P.M.**  
RIT Rings! I missed you. I was just wondering if you still existed. That's it, have my babies, bye!

**MONDAY, 9:51 P.M.**

Hey I just saw camp-po pulled over by a cop. They had everything spread out, giving them a full cavity search. I hope someone got a picture of that one.

**WEDNESDAY, 12:55 P.M.**

Yo Rings, last night I saw a kid dance to techno music in only his cape and a pair of boxers. Totally your people.

**WEDNESDAY, 11:34 P.M.**  
*So I asked the waitress at Jay's diner to marry me, and she brought me more ketchup.*

**THURSDAY, 11:21 P.M.**

Rings, what is this?!  
Not available? It's 11:30 at night and building eight is on fire. Why are you not answering, Rings? Why do you hate me? What happened to our relationship? I had you on speed dial! [Harsh expletive] you, Rings!

**FRIDAY, 11:37 P.M.**

I'm at Letchworth State Park and I am down in the gorge. We got a fire going and it's [fudrucking] almost midnight. This kid jumped into a tree and lost his laser, so we gotta look for it tomorrow. Oh, Kev saw a moose!

# SPILL IT

Students of RIT,

I'm starting a new advice column here at *Reporter* and I need your help. I need questions that need answers, thoughts that need to be worked out, and heartaches that need to be mended. Whatever is bothering you, whatever you're questioning, I want to hear about it.

Maybe you have parent or friend trouble. Maybe your boyfriend, girlfriend, or fiancé(e) is bugging you. Relationships, campus life, etiquette – you have needs, and I'm here for you. Go ahead and vent!

So students of RIT, I challenge you to **Spill It**. Send anything you've got to [spillit@reportermag.com](mailto:spillit@reportermag.com), or use the contact form at [reportermag.com](http://reportermag.com). And make sure to let us know if it's okay to use your name, or give us a pseudonym to sign it with (even "Wavering Jell-O Knees").

We can only answer so many questions a week, so don't be disappointed if you don't see yours answered right away.

Looking forward to helping you out,

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