MCC celebrates 10th anniversary in style

The Multicultural Center celebrated its 10th anniversary from 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. October 29, 2003. The Pepsi Forum proved to be an exemplary demonstration of diversity; foreign voices echoed in an auditorium where standing room was scarce. The room was bordered by multicolored booths providing information on multiple cultures and study abroad programs.

Over the harmonious hum of conversation, a drum sounded. The soothing, rhythmic beat was joined by the soothing Narragammra minstrel singing by solo cellist Hannah Brown; the celebration had begun.

After Brown’s performance, Johnson & Wales President, Dr. Bowen, addressed and commended the school and its effort to glean “a better understanding of a different culture, a different view, a different philosophy.” Thomas Gaines, Director of Campus Diversity, offered a warm welcome followed by an enthusiastic acknowledgement from Bernadett Pitts-Wiley, Assistant Director of Campus Diversity.

Robed in a blue and gold grand ceremonial Boubin, Patricia Trosclair, Multicultural Center Coordinator, declared tributes to the founders of the University, founders of the Multicultural Center, ancestors of our allies and those gathered that evening. Trosclair then relinquished the podium to Gaines to present guest speaker Dr. J. McCray, Vice Provost for Urban Programs, University of Rhode Island.

McCray walked onto stage immediately capturing the audience with laughter. His deep voice resonated in the packed auditorium. Despite the serious topic of racism and segregation in his childhood years, McCray was able to keep the atmosphere light with anecdotes and smiles.

The presentation came to a close with a short oration given by Student Government President Albert Hilliard. The evening ended with a variety of entertainment and food from cultures across the globe.

Planning for the celebration began in the summer of 2003 through key players Pitts-Wiley and Trosclair. Trosclair claims that “Johnson & Wales has a lot to be proud of...the diversity here is incredible!” Campus diversity has come a long way from what it was in the past thanks to the efforts of people from the past.

The Multicultural Center was founded ten years ago when a group of African American students conveyed the need for more on-campus support for diversity. The campus immediately reacted to the request. Gaines was appointed interim director and was followed in 1996 by Bernadett Pitts-Wiley. As first full-time director, Pitts-Wiley nurtured the program into the thriving center it is today.

In the 2002-2003 year alone, nearly 12,000 people participated in over 250 events organized at the Multicultural Center. The 10th year anniversary is scheduled to continue throughout the year with events, speakers, and much more inviting the new wave of diversity into J&W.
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• Tuesday, 10/21, 7:14pm
Male Student's vehicle stolen from Renaissance Garage Reg: 1626683, Providence Police were notified.

• Tuesday, 10/21, 8:30pm
Faculty member assaulted outside Academic Center Four black male suspects walked by faculty member and one suspect punched/punched him in the mouth. All suspects were between 18-20 years old. Two were described as between 5'10" and 6' tall with skinny builds. The other two were described as shorter with heavier builds. Providence Police were notified.

• Wednesday, 10/29, 6:41pm
Male Student's stereo stolen from vehicle parked at Bread and Green Sts. Kenwood stereo stolen from vehicle. At 8:30pm, Providence Police apprehended a subject from Abbott Park Place with a stereo matching the one stolen.
Students Speak Out!

As the holiday season approaches, what do you have to be thankful for?

"My health, supportive family and the opportunity to go to college."
Trevor Taylor- Fr
Computer Science

"First one from my family to make it from high school to college."
Tori Gibbs- Fr
Sports/Entertainment

"I'm thankful for my own bathroom, unlike other colleges."
Deirdre Faherty- Fr
Criminal Justice

"My loving family, friends, good health, good food and my happiness."
Alex Harley- Fr
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"To be alive!"
Jason Malcolm-So.
Computer Graphics

"My health and strength."
Necie Simmons- Fr
Accounting

"To be alive, have my health and strength, and Hershey kisses."
Vy Bui- Sr
Criminal Justice

"My family, friends and vacation coming so I will be getting a home-cooked meal."
Aisha Murrell- Jr
Sports/Entertainment

"Family, friends, and my health."
Alexandra Rogers-Jr.
Sports/Entertainment

"My family, my truebeats, ice tea and senior year."
Vianella Burgos- Sr
Sports/Entertainment

"My family and everything I have."
Fernando Pacheco-Sr
Trivial and Tourism

"My family and friends."
Katy Sherman- Jr.
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Sports Roundup

- Spence sets record
- Sailing team battles wintry weather

BY SEAN DALY
Office of Sports Information

The women's tennis team ended their season with disappointment as they fell to Western New England College 6-3 in the Great Northeast Athletic Championship match. The Wildcats finished their season with a stellar record of 16-2 overall and 7-1 in the GNAC. This is the Wildcats have earned a playoff spot in every season of GNAC competition, highlighted by Championships in 2000, 2001, and 2002, and undefeated seasons in 1996 and 2001. For the past four years the team has seen a great singles and doubles player that has won a record number of times and is the only player to boast a season high 91% winning percentage and an 87% career winning percentage.

Victoria Spence (Sr., Lynfield, MA) has been a dominant force throughout the GNAC for the past four seasons. Spence has won a J & W record-setting 96 times during her tenure, capping it all over by setting a single season wins record of 31, previously held by teammate Tara Pasquale (Jr., Cornwall-on-Hudson) at 30. Spence lost only 15 times while competing for the Wildcats, losing only two during post season competition. Spence is the only senior graduating from this year's squad.

In other news, the sailing team competed at Roger Williams on Sunday, October 26th. Once again the Wildcats were up against RWU (two teams), URI, Williams, Coast Guard and Amherst. In the first race of the day J & W had a great start and were the first one around the first mark, first around the second mark and first around the third mark (out of 4 marks) and then all heck broke loose...the wind was blowing at 30+ knots and the entire fleet with the exception of URI capsized! The Wildcats got righted and were instructed to sail to the dock and de-rig the boat, we were done for the day. The other teams were not as lucky, the Williams team was almost under the Mt Hope Bridge, and one of their team members got separated from the boat and was over 100 yards away for the boat when the committee boat finally got to her. The remaining teams would right their boats and they would go right back over, after almost 45 minutes of mayhem, all the teams were safe on the dock and calling it quits. Overall it was a great showing by a young Wildcats' sailing team.

Sailing is a sport?

BY SEAN DALY
Office of Sports Information

Recently I was privileged enough to be invited by the Johnson & Wales Sailing team for a cruise around the bay. Simple enough right? Not exactly.

As we pulled into Edgewood Yacht Club (where the University pays to board it's five boats) I looked out onto the bay to see what I had gotten myself into. Sure enough, the clouds, wind and rain that was hammering down on the roof of my office all day, was doing the same here, except with much more wind.

So we go into the men's room (e.g. - locker room) at the Yacht Club and I take out my gear (I am not used to sailing, but for men's volleyball) and attempt to get ready for what I thought was to be a leisurely cruise around the bay. I look around and see the rest of the men putting on high tech waterproof gear. This was disconcerting, but I was assured that I would be fine.

If that was the case than why weren't they wearing a man's volleyball warm up suit? I had my doubts.

After changing we head out to the dock the rain falling steady at times sideways (that usually happens when the winds blow in excess of 30mph). So I began to think... was this such a good idea? To late to turn back, I promptly prepared myself for what I am told should be the ride of my life. We rip up the boats and off we go.

When we entered the bay I could see the seas were roughly three feet high with a slight chop to them. Not a problem, I thought, as a child I grew up sailing and surfing; waves were my thing. Then it struck me, like a cold wave in the face. It was the last week of October and I was wearing a men's volleyball warm up suit.

We continued to cut across the bay back and forth, up and down, My Skipper, Adam Davis (Jr., Hospitality Management), was good enough to tell me when the boat was going to "TACK" (switch directions violently and suddenly) and how to sail up or down wind, and when I needed to get my "butt" over the side. I still don't trust that strap.

It was all very exciting. I got wet, very wet. Waves, wind, and rain were constantly beating my body and face. If it weren't for adrenaline and the constant fear of falling in, I might have not made it. Take it from a man who has been there - done that, Sailing is a sport and an underappreciated one at that.

The sailing team competes with Colleges and Universities from all over the Northeast in the New England Intercollegiate Sailing Association. Every year the team competes in both the fall and spring against some of the biggest names in the Big East, Atlantic 10, and the Ivy League. There are 42 NEISA members divided into a Northern Series and a Southern Series. J & W competes in the Southern Series against sailing pros like Brown University and the University of Rhode Island. This year the Wildcats hosted their first ever regatta. The event was much more popular than anyone could have predicted bringing in 13 different schools for a full day of racing.

If you ask me, Sailing is a sport and a fun one at that. I think more people should take interest in it. Especially if they want to get the full Rhode Island experience, we are the OCEAN STATE you know!

The J & W sailing team takes on the rough seas. The sailing team competes with Colleges and Universities from all over the Northeast in the New England Intercollegiate Sailing Association.
Winter Sport's Schedules

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Pepsi Forum
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2:00pm-4:00pm

December 12, 2003
Day School Bus/Tech/Hosp students
Snowden Dining Cafeteria
11:00am-2:00pm

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Student Academic Services Office
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5:00pm-7:30pm

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Café Commons
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October 29, 2003, Johnson & Wales University held a memorial service for Andrew Belgrave. He died in a car accident on October 21, 2003, along with his roommate, Lennox Rodney. I think the service was a beautiful way to honor an amazing person.

Drew was one of my residents at Imperial Hall last year. Anyone who knew him could tell you that he was a special character. A handsome, funny, charismatic, and generous person, Drew would do anything for a friend. He studied hard, and played hard. He was always the life of any gathering, and everyone in the hall knew him. His death came to all of us as an��ensible shock. It’s hard to say that Drew is not here anymore. It still feels like a bad dream. That somehow, I’ll wake up, and it all will have been some elaborate illusion, and Drew would still be alive.

As I sat in the memorial service, surrounded by friends of Drew, it felt good to be surrounded by all that love for our friend. When we were asked to share any thoughts about Drew, I got up and read the following:

"I was walking my desk shift at Xavier Hall on Monday, October 21, 2003 when I heard the news. One of my residents from Imperial Hall who now lives at Xavier came to the front desk; look quite upset. I knew something was wrong, but when she spoke, I couldn’t believe the words she said. She said slowly, with a shaking voice, ‘Melissa, I just wanted to tell you... Drew died this weekend. I know you were close to him so I thought I should tell you.’ All I could do was sit in disbelief and shock at what she had said. My first reaction as her RA was to make sure she was ok. She looked at me, gave me a weak smile, and told me she wasn’t as she went through the door. As I sat there alone, all I could do was cry. Andrew was more than just one of my former residents, he was my friend. Now that I knew that he was gone, the only thing I could think was that maybe it was a lie, that someone made a mistake or was playing a cruel and sick joke. As the hours went by, more of my former residents slept at Xavier Hall and former coworkers were contacting me to ask if I had heard it and if it was true. His death was becoming more real, more permanent, and more final.

Andrew was one of my funniest residents at Imperial last year. I guess you could have called me a Residential Life Mid-Season Replacement. I was hired as an RA the week after Spring Break last school year. Coming to a new hall and not knowing anyone was a little nerve-wracking, to say the least. My new residents, however made me feel welcomed and a part of the Imperial Hall family. Andrew was one of the first residents to introduce himself to me. He had the most adorable smile, and could always make me laugh, no matter how tired or frustrated I was on a given day while I was working. He would always hold open doors for me if we were walking together, and even went so far as to help me carry my laundry up to my second floor room from the laundry room in the basement. He was never short on stories or topics to debate on. I can’t even begin to count the times he would have six or maybe seven students in the small lobby area of Imperial arguing over who should pay on the first date, or how Jamaican guys are different from American guys in how they treat women. He never held back his opinion in these discussions, something I truly admired about him. He always had a way of making you laugh, but always got his point across.

No matter what was going on, Andrew was a constant friend. When I started to become overwhelmed by being an RA, I began questioning if I had made the right decision in accepting the position. Drew was one of the people who told me I made a difference in the hall, and that I shouldn’t quit just because things got a little tough for me. Knowing that a resident believed that much in me meant a lot. Drew always held a special place in my heart because regardless of what he may have been dealing with in his personal life, he could always make a joke or crack a smile. When he would come home from culinary labs at night, he would look so tired. But as soon as he would go change his clothes, he’d come back out ready to make jokes, run around the dorm, and hang out with his friends he hadn’t seen all day.

My first reaction to Drew’s death was one of shock and sadness. I still cry when I think of him, but somehow, I know he wouldn’t want that. He wouldn’t want his friends here at JWU to cry and be sad over him. I think he’d want us to remember him as a good person, who would do anything for a friend. I choose not to picture his final moments on this earth because that’s not the way I want to remember him. My memories of Andrew Belgrave will always be ones of good times, times when I would laugh so hard my sides would hurt, times when I would have to tell him to turn down the Reggae music he blasted, but somehow got me to dance with him before he lowered the volume. He loved life, and those who crossed paths with him will never forget him.

I wrote this essay in my News Writing class the day after I found out about Drew’s death. My professor wanted us to write an article about a new documentary she is about the founders of our school. However, overwhelmed by grief, I couldn’t even focus on that topic. The words began to pour out of me. I typed and typed, and about 30 minutes later, I finished that essay.

I got an A+ on that paper, though I didn’t really follow the assignment instructions. My professor told me that I should submit it to the Campus Herald. I hesitated at first, because I wasn’t sure if I wanted to share this with the world. But as I sat in the memorial service, something came over me. I pulled the essay from my book bag, and I just got up and spoke. It was so weird. I had gotten the essay back from my teacher that morning, and now I was reading it for everyone at the memorial service.

In the days after I heard the news, I went to see a counselor. I was having problems handling Drew’s death, school, and my Resident Assistant position. Drew wasn’t only a former resident, he was a close friend. We had a falling out back in May before school ended, and hadn’t spoken to one another all summer long. In September, he came by my new hall, Xavier Hall, to see one of his friends. When he saw me at the desk, he smiled that same adorable smile and gave me a big hug. As I looked into his eyes, I knew our argument so long before was a distant memory, and that he and I were back to being friends again.

I guess grief and guilt overwhelmed me more than anything else when I found out he died. I felt like I wasted almost four months of holding a petty grudge, when we could have been spending time with one another and keeping in touch. My counselor told me I couldn’t blame myself for what happened and that I needed to find somewhat to gain closure. As I read my essay in front of Drew’s friends at the service, it was almost as if he was right there with me. As I shared my memories of Drew, I could see him smiling, and hear him laughing in my mind’s eye.

After the service, I felt like I made my peace with losing Drew. The truth is, by remembering all the good times I shared with him, he’ll never really be all gone. I may not be able to give him a hug or hear his voice again, but my memories of him will always make me smile. Drew will never be forgotten, not by me, or anyone else. We’ll love him and miss him always. Sometimes God gives us angels-people who, by knowing them, make this life a little easier to deal with. Drew was always able to make me smile or laugh, even when I felt more like crying or screaming. I guess for me, Drew was a close friend. I’m glad I had the chance to know someone that wonderful.
A Little Southern Hospitality
Ludacris presents: Chicken and Beer

• CD REVIEW •

BY JOEL MAYS
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J&W students, I have one acronym for you, DTP. Disturbing da Peace has done it for a third time. Amazing bars, verses, beats, and even a little rock'n'roll.

"Enough cash to retire after two albums" go on wave yah white flags I'm hot," states Ludacris on the hit track "Stand Up." Describing how insane his words can captivate you to listen to the whole album. If you skip a track, Southern rap is not in your veins. This album is as serious as the first time you heard hip-hop music. Yo'll get hooked on songs like, "Stand Up" and "P-Poppin'". Both videos appear on BET's Uncut, after hours for their exclusive content.

This album shows you more about Ludacris, his life in South Atlanta, and how he had to strive for every little thing that he owns. He embraces a Southern type of beat with Lil Flip called "Screwed Up." Then he goes into a West Coast beat with his new fashizzle dizzle, Snopp Doggy Dogg. DTP's presence is known on this album because every heavy hitter from the crew blesses a track. They help him rap about "Hard Times," as they flow about their upbringing in the South and how blessed they are now to be this fortunate to make it in the rap game. Of course there are some sexually explicit lyrics, because without them it would not be Ludacris. His style came out in the beats using slow blues and jazz in the background to describe the "Splash Waterfalls" of a female and what she should do to him.

This album is in the running with all other albums that have come out this fall. Def Jam South makes exclusive songs that are original in their efforts to make Chicken & Beer a quality product. Producing his own album brought on Chaka Zulu with R&B beats and Neo Soul hooks. The only way to express this album is astounding, because it is a head bobber no longer. So don't worry about breaking your neck, with features like, a scratch and sniff outside casing that smells like the essence of chicken and beer, only add to the excitement.

On questioning 9 out of 10 people they all said that it was the best Ludacris album. For that tenth person I can say it is, "Move bitch get out the way." This album I put all my heart into," states Ludacris on Bet's 106 and Park. The CD is worth getting the real version, not the burned or bootleg copy. Give that man some praise and get this album. All I can say is, "In repetitions the ears that want a listen to the deep and hot premonitions in the fancy chicken kitchen' Cornas pasted up and pored around making women drop at the Holiday Inn to the ground." So get to your nearest Target, Wal-Mart, Sam Goody, Newbury Comics, and "coup that disc." Ludacris!

Sheek Louch: Walk with me

• CD REVIEW •

Rating: 4 gavels:

Tell it to the Judge

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It seems like yesterday when music fans were running around with "Free the Lox" t-shirts on. They are physically free from Bad boy but I never thought that P.Diddy still gets Lox currency due to some minor contract details. Anyway, P. Diddy is paid because all three members of Lox have released their own successful solo albums. Jadakiss and Styles both covered a wide range of street, commercial and gangsta rap music. Sheek is finally here and he isn't singing the choruses. On there very own Universal/D-Block label, Sheek Louch presents, Walk Witt Me. Sheek comes close to home with the tale of his life on "I Ain't Forget." He gives the listeners a detailed description on how he has struggled to come up in the rap game. Fellow D-Block soldiers appear on "Dont Mean Nothin" and "Mighty D-Block." Let's put it like this, you know how you cook something on Monday but, it taste so much better on Wednesday. When you eat it on Wednesday, you have built a new found respect for the meal and the quality has improved. Well, Walk Witt Me is that dish. We have eagerly waited for this album to hit stores and it was worth it. Sheek Louch brings gangsta rap to its proper state. Quite impressive, if I must say so myself.

Sevendust presents: Seasons

• CD REVIEW •

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The world of hard rock has seen more changes in the past decade than in the past thirty years. With the merging of rap music and such, many bands have branched off creating their own genre. However, Sevendust has been able to conform to current trends while sticking to their roots. With their fourth album, Seasons, this group has proven that they have what it takes to be a great rock band; not just some one-hit-wonder looking for a catchy hit. In the past, Sevendust has contributed to the fast paced music industry with three other incredible hard rock albums. Each distinct in their own way, but similar enough that they earned a place in hard rock history. Every great band in history has progressed and improved upon their sound with each album they create. From vocalist Lajon's voice and melodies to the driving rhythms of the drum beats, Sevendust is doing exactly that. Even the guitar riffs are jaw-dropping and they'll make any average guitarist wonder how they came up with these tunes.

Their single, "Enemy," shows how the band has evolved throughout the years. It's a melodic tune that would make almost every rock fan jump up and sing. "So when you fall to the ground and finally come back to reality...tell me how does it feel to be the enemy." Unlike most popular groups today, their lyrics have meaning that almost anyone could relate to. Sevendust is hard working rock band based out of Chicago. Throughout the years they have managed to remain with all original founding members while "keeping it real," despite current trends among pop music. They are currently touring the US and their album is in stores. Buy the album, see the band, and experience one of the greatest upcoming American rock bands to date. With an incredible vocalist, natty guitar riffs, and beats that no drum machine could ever match, what do you have to lose?
LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Try to avoid signing on the dotted line in the early part of the week. You need time to study issues that weren’t fully explored. The 27th and 28th might be more favorable for decision-making.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A new development could start travel schedules or other holiday-linked projects. Some flexibility might be called for to deal with the problems before they get too far out of hand.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Relatives seek your advice on a matter you’d rather not be involved in. If so, use that sage Sagittarian trait to decle the "offer," so that no one’s feelings are unnecessarily hurt.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A shift in planning direction might help you speed up your progress toward achieving that long-planned goal. Trusted colleagues are ready to offer some valuable support.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An unexpected demand for settlement of an old loan could create some pre-holiday anxiety. But you might not really owe it. Check your records thoroughly before remitting payment.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It’s a good time to get into the social swing and enjoy some well-earned fun and games with those closest to you before you have to resume more serious activities next week.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your ability to sense the needs of others makes you a wise counselor for those seeking help with their problems. (c) 2003 King Features Syndicate

**HOCUS-FOCUS**

**BY HENRY WOLFSCHIN**

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

**JUST LIKE CATS & DOGS**

by Dave P. Meply

YOU SHOW ME WHERE IN THE RULES A PLAYER CAN’T USE THE "EYE BALL!"
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(formerly Registration)
for the December 2003 term!

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