CAUSE, EFFECT AND RESPONSE

By Alex DeAguiar
Staff Writer

At the end of the last academic year, there were several assaults and robberies reported at the Harborside Campus, prompting a partnership between the Providence Police Department and Johnson & Wales Safety and Security. Since then, current data collected by the Providence Police illustrates an actual decrease in capital offenses on-campus.

"It was cause for great concern," says Major Michael Quinn, the director of the Safety & Security department. Quinn continues, "We took some immediate response to that with what we refer to as dedicated patrols. We increased the number of cars, as visible deterrent for aberrant behavior, and we did that effectively."

The Providence Police, with the help of Safety and Security investigated the occurrences, discovering that the crimes were being perpetrated by the same individuals. According to Quinn, a group was congregating around the Kennedy Plaza area. The local police department was notified, and several individuals were arrested.

"I think we have deterred those, the last assault and robbery we had on Downcity streets was in the month of December, which is very good for a city environment," says Quinn.

New high-tech equipment is being installed and put to use on the Harborside Campus. A 12 digital camera system which is monitored from the downcity location of Safety and Security has been strategically placed in high traffic areas. The cameras allow downcity officers to assist their fellow officers on the Harborside Campus.

"The University is on a campaign to get more security technology in place," says Quinn.

There is a camera located at Renaissance Hall, and there will be more outdoor cameras installed in the near future in places frequented by students, faculty, and staff, Quinn claims.

"We also have a plan to approach a comprehensive integrated access control system on-campus, most likely it would be a card swipe or card reader device for entering buildings," Quinn says.

DATA COLLECTED BY PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT SHOWS DECREASE IN CAPITAL OFFENSES ON-CAMPUS

SAFETY & SECURITY IMPLEMENTS 12 DIGITAL CAMERA SYSTEM ON HARBORSIDE CAMPUS

TAKING A BITE OUT OF CRIME

At the start of this year, SaS officers were placed at the entrance of the Harborside parking lot for increased safety. A 12 digital camera system has also been installed to prevent robberies and assaults.
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We had seventy-five people in attendance at the “Battle of the Brands,” Regional Business Simulation and Role-Play Competition in Providence, R.I. There was one overall grand prize winner and ten top finalists with over $10,000 awarded in scholarships and travel monies to attend this year’s DEX International Career Development Conference (ICDC) in Nashville, Tennessee from April 14-17, 2004.

Top Eleven Finalists:

Joshua Klemp, CCRI, Overall Grand Prize Winner, CCRI, Sales Manager Mentee Sheneke Foster and Joseph Hemdon, First Place Winners, J&W, Business Ethics, $1500 Scholarship & $600 Travel Monies
Stephen Spence, Third Place, J&W, Human Resources Management, $1250 Scholarship & $600 Travel Monies
Nicole Chase, Fourth Place, J&W, Apparel & Accessories, $1000 Scholarship & $300 Travel Monies
Evgenia Kitalis, Fifth Place, J&W, Human Resources Management, $1000 Scholarship & $300 Travel Monies
Christina Giraud and Laura Rogers, Sixth Place, J&W, Sports & Entertainment, $750 Scholarship & $200 Travel Monies
Claudia Bellony and Briana Butryn, Seventh Place, J&W, Apparel & Accessories, $750 Scholarship & $200 Travel Monies
Anthony White, Seventh Place, J&W, Marketing Management, $750 Scholarship and $200 Travel Monies

Safey & Security Blotter

Tuesday, 12/9 6:30pm
Strong-Armed Robbery on West Exchange Street. A male resident student was walking on West Exchange Street near the City of Providence Telecommunications Office when he was punched in the back of the head several times. The student’s wallet and cell phone were stolen during the assault.

Suspect #1: Black male, 5’7”, stocky build, wearing an Atlanta Falcons’ jersey with the number 7, and black jeans Suspect #2: Black male, 5’11”, greaser, wearing a black “hoochie”, black hat and black sweat pants. The student did not file a police report.

Thursday, 12/11, 10:30 pm
Male Student Arrested at Renaissance Hall. Charged with Possession of Cocaine.

Thursday, 12/25, 10:00am
The body of a male, non-student found at Earnest and Shipyard Streets. A Campus Safety & Security Officer found the body of a male who had died of a gunshot wound at the corner of Shipyard and Ernest Streets approximately one quarter mile from campus. The male victim was not a Johnson & Wales student. At this time, it is not known where the shooting occurred.

The Providence Police are investigating.

Tuesday, 1/6, 10:00pm
Female Staff Member Robbed on Friendship Street just in from Orange Street. A female staff member reported that she was robbed as she was removing snow from her car which was parked on Friendship Street. The passenger of a red vehicle leaned out of a window while driving by and grabbed the staff member’s book bag. The staff member fell to the ground and saw the vehicle travel down Orange Street towards Pine Street. Providence Police were notified of the incident.
Response: Plans to implement a card reader device for entering buildings in planning stages

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continues, "We do have that at a couple of our facilities right now, and we are looking at extending that throughout the campus."
The Providence Police Department and Safety and Security have also taken new initiatives on underage drinking.

Quinn explains, "The Providence Police Department has determined, by visiting downtown establishments, that there is a problem in the city with underage drinking."

Safety and Security has responded to the attendance of J&W students at these estab-
lishments. Quinn reports that so far this year J&W students have visited these establish-
m ents, it is certainly no more than any other university in the area. Underage drinking can lead to property damage, assaults, and injury. To assist the University community in putting an end to the issue, the members of the Providence Police will enter establish-
m ents, and determine the presence of under age drinkers, as Safety and Security officials remind them. If it is determined that underage drinkers are J&W students, their info is taken, a report is complete, and forwarded to the Office of Student Conduct for further action.

After this joint effort has started, city officials reported that there has been a reduction on the number of underage drinkers visiting these establishments. Safety and Security is also investing in security and defense workshops offered to the university community, especially in the beginning of terms.

By taking a more aggressive approach in marketing, we can expect to see a reduction in underage drinking," Quinn notes. "A safe environment can be had, from the people who participate on this campus." More information on the J&W Safety and Security Department visit their web address at http://www.jwu.edu/prov/stu_safe.htm

J&W kicks off Black History Month

Stand Up, Get up, Don’t give up the fight!

By John Ortenzio
Editor-in-Chief

The month of February at Johnson & Wales will be filled with 18 informative, fun-filled events that will commemorate the Black History Month on-campus. This year’s theme, "Stand Up, Get Up, Don’t Give Up The Fight," was chosen by the Office of Student Activities, Multicultural Center, Office of Campus Diversity and the Black History Month committee.

The theme last year illustrated an African proverb, "Sankofa," which represented the celebration of a journey of many people. "Stand Up, Get Up, Don’t Give Up The Fight" was intended to motivate everyone in the J&W community to recognize the fight for celebrating and appreciating all cultures is never over," according to Scott Lyons, the Assistant Director of Student Activities. Lyons continues, "Each year the committee strives to determine a theme that is both inspira-
tional and relative to the University."

Led by Floriana Duran, and consisting of student leaders, the Black History month committee has been meeting weekly since early November. The committee hopes that J&W students will take some time out of their routine to take part in the celebration in any way possible: engage in discussion at one of the forums, reflect on the words of the pow-
erful speaker, Dr. Bernard LaFayette, Jr., donate to the cause of Live for Liberia, or be entertained at the NPHC Stepshow, Extravaganzha Fashion Show, or the Annual Gospel Brunch.

On February 2nd, Civil Rights Movement activist, minister, educator, and lecturer Dr. Bernard LaFayette, Jr. will kick off Black History Month with a much anticipated keynote on non-violent social change.

Lafayette co-founded the Student Non-vio-
te Violence Coordinating Committee in 1960. The native of Tampa, Florida has worked with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on many projects. He has written the Curriculum and Training Manual for the Martin Luther King Jr. Nonviolent Community Leadership Training Program, and a doctoral thesis, Pedagogy for Peace, and Nonviolence, and Campus Ministries and Social Change in the 60's. "Dr. LaFayette has dedicated a great deal of his life to social change, inspiring heros of people to rally behind an extremely important cause, civil rights. It is our hope that J&W students will be enlightened to think about their own actions in reference to respecting the rights and backgrounds of others," says Lyons.

Lyons continues, "I have not heard Dr. LaFayette speak before, but am sure he will share his life experiences and interactions with other inspirational leaders. "Lafayette is a gift that was dropped into our laps," says Pat Trosclair, Multicultural Center Coordinator.

Def Jam records co-founder Russell Simmons will lecture at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 19th in the McVinney Auditorium. Simmons, a leader in the hip-hop industry with HBO's Def Comedy Jam and Russell Simmons presents Def Poetry, has also made his mark in the fashion industry with Phat Farm and Baby Phat clothing lines.

The tradition of Black History Month dates back to 1915, when Carter G. Woodson began "Black History Week," a way to recognize African American contributions to society, and in communities. The week would later be known as Black History Month. Woodson chose February because slaves began to hear of the news on the 13th amendment to the constitution at this time, not in January when it was signed.

Representatives from Student Activities, and the Multicultural Center hope that all members of the University community attend at least one event and reflect on the impor-
tance of such initiatives.

According to many leaders on campus, the month of February is just the start of the cele-
bration and remembrance of African American contributions to society. According to Pat Trosclair, February gets your feet wet for the rest of the year."

Below average weather has struck the New England area like a thunderbolt within the past few weeks. The average temperature has bottomed out to 20 degrees. Snowfall has not been enormous, but ice covered sidewalks have made it difficult for students to travel to class, work, and social activities. The freezing temperatures have left some without heat and hot water due to an overwhelming demand for gas. Frozen pipe bursts have also been a major household concern.

Northern international student are as adversely affected by the cold. Student Dita Selmani, a Sweden native, claims "Yes, I am from Sweden, and no I am not used to this cold. Compared to here, Sweden is tropical at the moment." Presently, Providence is far from tropical. In fact, according to students, "it's an ice box. Some students have been layering in gloves, mittens, hats and scarves in order to avoid frostbite. Experts say it doesn't take long for frostbite to develop. According to a local Providence nurse, when the wind chill hits below 30, frostbite can occur in just 10 minutes. Just last week, the wind chill factor dropped to negative 40 degrees in Providence, making a 10 block walk extremely dangerous.

Providence has reached record lows in the past few weeks. And according to local meteorologists the New England area has not experienced the worst of it. The mean temperature for Providence in January is 30 degrees. In January of 2004, Providence is averaging in the teens, with wind chills as low as negative forty. Commuting student Kate McAllister says, "You have to park far, and walk far because of all the snow and ice. It's very difficult, you have to wear eight layers, and then strip down when you get to class." McAllister exclaims, "It's very frustrating."
On-campus renovations and restorations continue to move steadily into 2004

By Dom Perez
Staff Writer

The City of Providence has undergone many changes over the past several years and Johnson & Wales being a major presence in the city, is no exception. Several earlier projects are now well under way, including building restorations and department moves.

The Par Building, one of many projects initiated by the facilities department is in its final stages of restoration to its original condition.

"The windows were completed this past year; they are exceptional, having been fabricated in the historic style and imported from the U.K.," says Placco.

Information technology and the J&W Help Desk have moved to the first and second floor of the six story building. The fourth and fifth floors will soon house the remaining IT offices. The final stages of the renovation will include the completion of the top floor and the addition of terra cotta tile to the exterior.

"The PAR Building is a Providence treasure and we are doing a thorough restoration that will take the building into its next hundred years," predicted Placco.

In addition, the J&W bookstore has relocated to the seven-story Cookson Building on Weybosset St.

"The relocation of the Barnes & Noble Bookstore to the Cookson Building has been a good one. It's much more efficient and comfortable," says bookstore employee Dan Thode.

The former location of the bookstore is now home to Student Academic Services and offers nearly twice the space. The design, reminiscent of the newly renovated Paramount Building, will be able to service a larger number of students at any given time.

Changes are in full effect on the Harborside Campus as fill is being transported to level the ground to make possible the building of new facilities which will include new apartment-style residence halls and athletic fields. According to Placco, the project is a long-term effort that will be completed in stages, each having an individual estimated cost.

"We expect this operation to last through the spring, after which the University will have accepted over 200,000 cubic yards of fill to distribute across the site," says Placco.

Additionally, plans for a visible separation of the Business and Hospitality Colleges which share the Xavier complex are underway under way. A new awning on the Pine Street entrance of the Xavier Building was recently installed.

Further expansion plans include the building of a Student Center and a new home for the Hospitality College.

"From a planning perspective, the needs for a Student Center and appropriate space for the Hospitality College are clear," related Placco. "Both projects are being analyzed now, and we are in the process of determining space needs, building size, and costs," says Placco.

One perspective location for a new student center coincides with the relocation of the Interstate 1-195. "The highway relocation project will change the way the city works; access into and out of Providence, highway traffic, and available real estate will all be impacted," predicts Placco.

"We hope to integrate our plans with these efforts and really revitalize the south side of Downcity," Placco reiterated the statement made by former Executive Vice President John Placco.

"All of our plans for the Providence Campus will positively impact the city. We have developed a good relationship with the city's administration, and J&W works hard to integrate its presence within the city."

-Chris Placco
Director, Facilities Management

poor condition from the structural and environmental perspectives, and, based on its small size, it is not well suited to the needs of a Student Center, said Placco."

The Johnson & Wales growth plan is developed not to have an adverse effect on the City of Providence. "All plans for the Providence campus will positively impact the city."

Placco concludes, "We have developed a good relationship with the city's administration, and J&W works hard to integrate its presence within the city."

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J&W pep rally provides much needed mid-term week entertainment

By CHRYSTAL M. POZZEKAI
Campus News Editor

Johnson & Wales held its first Pep Rally on January 8, 2004 at the Harborside gym in support of the athletic teams representing the university.

At 6:50 p.m., students were already filing into the gym and seated themselves in the stands that flanked court side. A few hundred students filed through the doors of the gym and received a red "J&W" on one hand and a raffle ticket in the other. Student Government Association (SGA) members clad in black SGA shirts busied around the gym and foyer taking care of last minute details and greeting fellow students. Dean Addison was also present conversing with other attendees and beaming his familiar smile.

At 6:51 p.m., the crowd was hushed by the sound of drums resonating through the gym and vibrating the stands beneath their feet. Heads began to bob to the beat, and four SGA members holding the American flag took center court. Freshman class secretary Steve Dean followed his fellow SGA members onto the court and took his position on a small, raised stage at the far end of the gym beside the pep band. Dressed in a black suit and red tie, Dean was presented from his proudly displayed American flag on his left lapel down to his freshly shined black and white shoes.

The pep rally officially began after Dean sang the national anthem and welcomed the crowd with his announcer's voice. As Dean left the floor, an upbeat song sounded through the gym and SGA president Stacy Meads reassured enthusiasm and spirit as she introduced the next presentation.

The members of Grupo Óndas of the Brazilian Cape Verdean Capoeira filed onto the court with a band consisting of two wooden bows that issued a tribal sound, two drums, and a tambourine; all playing to the steady rhythm of the groups clapping hands. Nine people on the court then began to perform what seemed to be an array of slow motion matrix movements, a dance of combat practiced to perfection. A majority of students enjoyed the presentation, but said that it couldn't have been shorter. Most students reported enjoying the presentation but found it to be too long.

After a bit of applause, Dean once again took the court, this time with the J&W mascot at his side dancing to the crowd's cheers and the song "I'm Too Sexy." The pair was soon joined by Meads and several other SGA members who were throwing t-shirts and assorted giveaways to the throw position and attempted to get 5 balls in the hoop.

During transition into the next event, the pep band pounded powerful beats for the audience, which led into an unexpected dance off between the school mascot and a challenger from the crowd. When the crowd's hollers had settled down, the J&W cheerleaders were presented and made their way to the court with flip-carts, wheelies, and other various acrobats. Energetic and peppy cheerleaders took their place to welcome the J&W athletic teams onto the court. First to be called out was the Men's Soccer team followed by Women's Cross-Country, Women's Volleyball, Women's Soccer, and Sailing.

After the last team had left the court, Kappa Alpha Psi gave the audience an original demonstration of coordination in a step show. Three members took the stage in black pants, white shirts, black bow ties and canes. The three presented unified movements: six feet, six hands, one sound and an amazing display of coordinated efforts. The three performed with style and classy, sexy body language. The performance was followed by a deafening applause. Dean and Mead once again took the court and made important announcements before introducing the J&W Drum Core.

Our own version of Drumline took the court and let their talent echo through the gym and felt vibrating the room. The drummers beat a rhythm that brought life out the crowd and the cheerleaders; heads bobbed and bodies moved to the beat of the bass. The Drum Core took its seat and

The pep band pounds away their powerful beats for the Pep Rally audience

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"Kerry."
Jennifer Wong - Fr. Hotel Hospitality
The young and irrational

BY KARLA PINKER
Staff-Writer

The art of temptation derives from knowing that your actions could have consequences. Now that we are in college, without the supervision of our parents, without curfews, and with the freedom of adults, we feel we can do and consume anything. The rebels in us come alive and we are faced with the opportunities to do whatever size.

My mother's final words to me before leaving me at college were, "you stay away from the tattoo parlor across the street...don't come home with any new holes or drawings on your body." We both laughed and I thought nothing of it, until people around me had all types of new body art. I thought to myself, "did their parents not leave them with some want to words of don't do this or that?" Possibly, but if they did, why didn't they listen? They didn't listen because the chance to live once and try something new came to them.

Lack of recycling on-campus and in R.I.

By ALEXIS A. JUNKRAH Staff-Writer

Since I moved to Rhode Island this September, I've noticed a lot of differences in comparison to New Jersey. In New Jersey things are a little different: we have just two trash bin circles, we have Bruce Springsteen, skeeball, and shopping malls. "The City" is New York City and we eat bagels, not buns.

Oh yeah, and in Jersey I cycle. I noticed the recycling, or lack of it, right away. It wasn't that I witnessed students throw beer cans in the trash that gave it away. No, it gave me an idea about the size of the recycling cans.

The state of Rhode Island offers tiny blue bins no more than two feet high to place your recycling in. Bins in the Garden State, our recycling cans are the same size as garbage cans - big and tall. As a concern for the environment, resident and self-proclaimed environmentalist, this bothered me enough to look into recycling at J&W.

Recycling conserves valuable natural resources, energy, and clean air and water. It saves landfill space and creates jobs. The positive effects of recycling are not to be debated. What must be recognized is the importance of all members of the community participating in a recycling program. It is just one simple way we can protect our environment and our future.

Now in all fairness, it's a mandatory statewide law to recycle in New Jersey. All the same, we still do it. There are thirty-nine municipalities in Rhode Island and even with the hundreds of recycling programs, most of which require mandatory participation. So what about J&W?

The J&W recycling program seems almost nonexistent. I always smile when I see a "J&W Recycles" poster hanging in the dorm because we definitely do not.

Where is J&W Activism?

By WHITNEY L. CRICKTON Staff-Writer

Where are the protests, where are the student groups, and where are student voices? What would I like to know is if abortion is such an important issue for college women, how come we cannot find activism on the Johnson & Wales campus? It has been almost 3 months since President Bush announced the partial-birth abortion ban and we have not had any campus dialogue on this matter. It seems as if you have strong opinions on abortion you must look outside the university to get your voice heard.

People were heard when they participated in the Pro-Life Motorcade and Mass at the Saint Peter's Basilica in Providence on Thursday January 22nd. Also, female students at Brown University who want their voices to be heard can join the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance (FMLA). They are a group that is a part of a nationwide network of pro-choice activists who are attempting to raise awareness about issues affecting all women, in this country and abroad.

Abortion is an important issue for college women because unplanned pregnancies are highest among women ages 18 and 19 years old which are college freshmen, sophomores and more. Furthermore, statistics show that there are 105 unplanned pregnancies per 1,000 women aged 18 and 19 and 52 percent of all women who seek abortions are under the age of 25. Although, nationally 9 out of every 10 sexually active women and their partners use a contraception method, they do not use it consistently or correctly. In turn, 6 out of 10 of all women in the United States who have an abortion used contraception that failed and therefore caused unwanted pregnancy.

Women's abortion rights have been seemingly unchallenged since the 1973 Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision which ruled that women have the right to choose abortion. Although President Clinton was faced with two bills concerning partial-birth abortion, during his terms, he vetoed both bills. It seemed as though women's reproductive rights remain an untouched topic, but on November 5, 2003 President Bush signed into law a new ban banning partial-birth abortions. Abortion refers to any early removal of a human fetus, both as a result of miscarriage or artificially induced, as in surgical or chemical abortion. Partial-birth abortion is defined as an abortion that takes place in the second or third trimester of pregnancy, but according to the American Civil Liberties Union the term "partial-birth abortion" does not truly identify any particular abortion procedure. In fact, partial-birth abortion is not even a medical term. It was created by anti-choice activists who believe that partial-birth abortion is when the fetus is killed, usually by the puncturing of the skull, after it is partially delivered.

On top of not having rights groups, Johnson & Wales does not have any services such as childcare, insurance or prenatal care for students with who are pregnant or already have children and this concerns even the Women's Center on campus. Fortunately, Planned Parenthood also has a Teen Health Center that welcomes females and males between the ages of 13 and 19. They provide general gynecological care, birth control and counseling services, pregnancy testing and counseling, screening and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, and information on limiting the number of offspring. Not only do they provide these services, but they also have educational services such as substance and healthy decision making, preventing of unintended pregnancies and STIs, the female and male reproductive systems, safe sex practices and contraceptive methods, and self-esteem, healthy relationships, and communication and negotiation skills.
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Linkin Park: Live and on fire in Worcester

MATTHEW J. MEDEROS
Staff Writer

It was a cold January night and the only exit to downtown Worcester was jammed. The one and only reason for this monstrousity was a sold out rock concert at Worcester's Centrum Centre. A headline to cause a scene of this magnitude could be none other than today's biggest rap-rock act since Limp Bizkit. That's right; Linkin Park had kicked off their Meteor tour in support of their sophomore album, also titled Meteor. With opening bands including some of MTV's biggest names in rock, such as the up-and-coming story of the year, Hooebastank, and POD. The show was definitely nothing short of incredible. All opening bands have brand new albums out to promote, hence the reason for them on the road in support of Linkin Park. Linkin Park has done exceptionally well for themselves with both of their albums selling over a million copies. No wonder it was a sold out show. When the band rocked out to their radio hits like "One Step Closer," the entire jam packed floor jumped up and down appearing to be a sea of people. The mix of rap and rock in this band's sound has seemed to be on and off throughout the industry in the past fifteen to twenty years. Some music fans say it may have started with Boston hero's Aerosmith and hip-hop pioneer's RUN DMC with their collaboration on the chart topping single "Walk This Way." It was definitely dominated by Limp Bizkit in the late nineties.

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BY TYRONE HALL
Staff Writer

On January 7, 2004, two local Massachusetts bands came to Johnson & Wales and gave it their all. They came to rock the stage in the Harborside Student Activities area, and that's exactly what they did. Both acts came with music that described Fyniest Gage on the bill... "original hard rock that will make your girlfriend cry."

The opening act, Fyniest Gage hit the stage with the black skull flag flying in the background and proceeded to rock out. This three-man band opened their set with an energetic little piece of the lead guitarist singing a nice little melody, the drummers banging out crisp snare hits, and the bassist laying it down playing the too cool bassist role. The sound that came from the small band reminded me how powerful a sound three men can make. Remember Jimi Hendrix and A Band of Gypsies, all three-man bands. Mat, the lead guitarist sang his songs with poise and confidence with catchy lines like, "When I say I love you, I'm dying to get to know you." And the energy from the band was great. The bassist held it down, letting everyone know just how cool it is to play bass. The drummer hit the kick to change your heart and a snare to remember. For their first show they came in and handled themselves well. Mat's guitar strap broke and he kept on jamming. It was good to see the love for music and not the longing for glory.

The final act Crumble came on stage with a presence that could not be denied. Rob Wu had his extra drumsticks sticking out of a Chinese takeout carton, and the bassist's fingerboard was illuminated by eerie little red lights. Craig White was on the guitar, and lead singer Vaz spoke. Right off the bat you knew you were looking at a band that has grown together and thought about their music. Jeff Grossman, the bassist let it rip with driving deep bass lines, and the drummer's snare shot through the air. The patterns coming off Rob Wu's set were on target all night. Guitarist Craig White hit the crowd with riffs that layered into the music perfectly. The last element was front man Jay Vaz, who went from soft melodies to powerful vibrating grows at the strum of a string. They are definitely a force to be reckoned with on the Boston rock scene. You can check them out at crumbleband.com. Their band of rock and funk is definitely going to be heard.

If you missed the show, you missed a display of what love for music is all about. Two bands touched the stage, and walked off being remembered by everyone in the crowd.
Kanye West-The College Dropout (Bootleg)

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In no way does this paper condone the purchasing of bootlegged music, mix-tapes, or illegally downloaded music. Now that we get that out of the way, let's focus on the reality of the situation. In hip hop, mix tapes are a staple. Artists now release bootlegs themselves in order to build a buzz for their album. Mix tapes are now a form of business. If a copy of THIS particular bootleg happens to fall in your lap magically, consider it an acoustic gift. We now present the Kanye West The College Dropout Bootleg review.

The man who is one of the Rocafella Army's newest soldiers has already damn near revolutionized the production game. He, along with Just Blaze, had every music producer and their mother chopping and speeding up soul samples to put in their songs. The Chicago native then baffled the world by letting everybody know that he is a rapper first. College Dropout is West's first official shot at an album. He made an appearance on the classic Roc Army track "Champions" (complete with Queen sample), but nothing of this magnitude. I must say that this album is refreshing, but revolutionary, don't get it twisted. He is a RocaFella, which means that West can brag with the best of them, but his lyrical content is thick. Dare I compare it to a classic album, but the blend of production, hustle for the dollar, and get your mind right rhymes puts me in the mind frame of a new age Paid in Full (Shout outs to Eric B for showing the world how to use a James Brown sample).and Rakim for showing us what an MC can be). In all honesty when Kanye spits you gain an appreciation for his gift of gab. The album, in all honesty is ridiculous, as West hits tracks running at full speed with a guest that you wouldn’t think of, "Two Words," with Mos Def, Freeway, and, yes, The Harlem Boys Choir is gripping to say the least. West holds his own on a track with Jay-Z and spoken word giant Saul Williams for "Never Let You Down." The list goes on with tracks with Diet Coke, the radio hit "Show Jame" with Twista and Jamie Fox. He also stuns the world with his autobiographic "Through the Wire" recorded when his jeep was wired shut from a car accident. West then breaks down metaphors with an ode to his hometown of Chicago by making us feel that his city is a living breathing woman.

The only weak points of the album are tracks that seem a little out of place, like "Workout Plan" which obviously is Kanye injecting a little humor into the album. The other problem is that this may not be the final tracks for the album. We all know some tracks will be dropped, but I know that there are words floating around that are going to be tracks with Ludacris and a joint with Floetry. Surprisingly, Lauryn Hill makes an appearance on the track titled, "All Comes Down." I feel a comeback approaching. This is all great news, but you must ask yourself what songs from the bootleg won't make the cut.

This hands down is a classic bootleg which more than likely will be the intro to a near classic album. You can like Mr. West, or you can hate him, but you have to respect him for what he is doing for hip hop. He is the much needed musician that the game needs right now. Let us look forward to February 10, 2004 and the official release of "The College Dropout." Kanye is carrying the weight of Rocafella and the rest of rap. Besides, when was the last time you heard a producer rhyme better than the rappers? Go marinate on that.

Ashton Kutcher promises he’s not ‘punking’ MTV fans

LOS ANGELES (AP) Ashton Kutcher knows he's the boy who cried "Punk'd!" but he promises, cross his heart and hope to die, that his MTV practical joke show is really and truly finished.

Despite the understandable public skepticism, he says he is NOT playing one of his signature pranks on fans.

He really is all punk'd out.

"I've become the boy who cried wolf," he acknowledged to The Associated Press while offering some assurance that his decision to end the show after two seasons is not just another hoax.

"Let's put it this way," he said. "I'm getting ready to start shooting two movies, I'm still working on 'That '70s Show,' I'm producing two other shows for MTV and creating a one-hour drama pilot for Fox -- I don't have the time." That won't leave much time for making monkeys out of his celebrity pals with tricks like moving fake hillbilly relatives onto the grounds of their mansions (like he did to "Newlyweds" stars Nick Lachey and Jessica Simpson, who helped play the joke on her husband) or stealing a $200,000-plus automobile (the fate that befell "Malcolm in the Middle" star Frankie Muniz.)

Fans who feel they will be unable to survive without a fresh dose of "Punk'd" can get their fix Jan. 20 when the first season of the prank show comes out on DVD.

Kutcher said he started the show by springing jokes on pals he knew would be willing to let him highlight their gullibility on national television. Then it became a status-symbol for young stars to be the victim of a gag on "Punk’d."

"What I always said, "You don't look like a fool, you look like a human being." It's humanizing. It brings you back down to a relatable level."
Culinary

Culinary nutrition group hits the road for career exploration

BY DITA PAPRANIKU/RAGO
Culinary Editor

Ever wonder who created Captain Crunch? Or maybe even who thought of creating a potato skin pizza? There is a group of students on campus interested and who would like to someday see their own ideas become a part of American food culture. The Food Science Club took a day trip to visit Pizzeria Uno’s, D’Angelo’s, and Papa Gino’s to discover the opportunities and the average work day of a research chef.

The trip started in Medford, M.A. at Uno’s, the birthplace of potato skin pizza. Participants had a chance to observe as research chefs created new recipes for the restaurant’s chain. Students toured the headquarters of the research and development department, where they participated in a Q & A on industry opportunities. Students were also given a chance to ask questions about the industry and the opportunities that may come. Uno’s is where potato skin pizza was born.

The culinarians tasted and critiqued new recipes at the headquarters at D’Angelo’s and Papa Gino’s, where the creator of Captain Crunch now lives. Pizza cinnamon sticks and Philly cheese-steak soup were some of the new ideas students taste tested. The group was excited to have the chance to voice their opinions. The free food was also a plus.

If taste-testing, recipe creations, chemistry, and keeping up with culinary trends sound like fun, then talk to culinary nutrition students who are interested in becoming research chefs. Research chefs are the creative minds who are involved with creating recipes and concepts for food corporations. If interested, contact Professor Trip or Professor Figoni about the food science club and about becoming a research chef.

Nutrition students visit Papa Gino’s and learn the secrets behind the new cinnamon pizza with an apple and caramel dipping sauce.

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Rhode Island girl has whirlwind day in wake of State of Union

By AMY FORLITI
Associated Press Writer

LINCOLN, R.I. (AP) - She still had to go to school but otherwise Wednesday was anything but normal for Ashley Pearson.

One day after President Bush included a letter Ashley wrote in his State of the Union address, the wide-eyed 10-year-old found herself in a media whirlwind, appearing on national television, doing South Carolina show hosts, even fielding a phone call from a congressman. "It's a whirlwind of a day," she said. "I'm a little tired."

Ashley stayed up late her bedtime Tuesday after Bush read her letter in his national address.

"Dear George W. Bush: If there is anything you know, I, Ashley Pearson, age 10, can do to help anyone, please send me a letter and tell me what I can do to save our country," P.S. If you can send a letter to the troops please put, "Ashley Pearson believes in you."

"I feel happy and excited," she said.

Ashley woke up before 5 a.m. Wednesday to do live interviews with the national news networks. She had so many requests for interviews, her family had to post a schedule on the refrigerator to keep them straight.

Her father took the day off work to help field phone calls, but Ashley went to school as usual. Her classmates clapped when she walked in, she said, but then it was back to studying.

Ashley said she wrote her letter Dec. 17.

"I felt that the soldiers, the troops, everyone that fought for the country, and George Bush, should know that a lot of people care about them," she said. "They're sacrificing their lives for our country."

"I just feel great that they're doing that for us," she said.

Rep. James Langevin, D-R.I., phoned Ashley to say that her letter would be a source of inspiration especially the men and women serving in Iraq.

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Nasa Briefly

NASA: No data transmitted from Spirit rover from Mars; 'extremely serious anomaly'

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) - NASA's Spirit rover stopped transmitting data from Mars for more than 24 hours, mission managers said Thursday, calling it an "extremely serious" anomaly.

NASA received its last significant data from Spirit early Wednesday, its 19th day on Mars. Since then, it has sent either random, meaningless radio noise or simple beeps acknowledging the commands from Earth, said Firooz Naderi, manager of the Mars exploration program at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. The last such beep was received Thursday morning, Naderi said.

Initially, scientists believed weather problems on Earth caused the glitch. They said they now believe the rover is experiencing hardware or software problems.

Spirit is one half of a $820 million mission. Its twin, Opportunity, is scheduled to land on Mars on Saturday.

Janklow sentenced to 100 days in jail in wreck that killed motorcyclist

FLANDREAU, S.D. (AP) - Bill Janklow, who dominated South Dakota politics for three decades as governor and then congressman, was sentenced to 100 days in jail Thursday for an auto accident that killed a motorcyclist and ended Janklow's career in disgrace.

After 30 days behind bars, Janklow will be allowed to leave jail during day for up to 10 hours to perform community service. After he completes his jail term, he will be on probation for three years, during which he will not be allowed to drive.

The 64-year-old Republican was found guilty Dec. 8 of second-degree manslaughter, speeding and running a stop sign in a collision that killed 55-year-old motorcyclist Randy Scott at a rural intersection on Aug. 16.

Judge Rodney Steele fined Janklow $5,400 and ordered him to pay $50 a day for the cost of his 100 days in jail, an additional $5,000. Janklow was ordered to report to county jail in Sioux Falls on Feb. 7.

Congress sends Bush $373 billion spending bill, thwarting Democrats on over-time, food labels

WASHINGTON (AP) - Congress approved a belated $373 billion bill financing most federal agencies and endorsing President Bush's policies on overtime pay, food labeling, media ownership and guns.

Howard Dean struggled to regain his political balance as the Democratic presidential contenders campaigned their way into the final debate before New Hampshire's first-in-the-nation primary.

Rep. Dennis Kucinich and Al Sharpton also riled spots on the debate stage at Saint Anselm College, but the hall was set with two fewer places than the last time the rivals met.

Former Sen. Carol Moseley Braun dropped of the race out last week, endorsing Dean as she left. Rep. Dick Gephardt ended his candidacy on Tuesday after finishing a weak fourth in the kickoff Iowa caucuses.

Kerry won the event, with Edwards a strong second and Dean well behind in third. The result has been a race transformed.

Most polls show Kerry getting a significant post-Iowa bounce in the polls and surging to a 50-some lead in Iowa, eclipsing longtime front-runner Dean as well as Clark.

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Ski Trip to Mt. Wachusett
Bus leaves Harborside at 7 AM. Bus leaves Gaebe Commons at 7:30 AM
$20 per ticket, which includes bus ride and lift tickets. Tickets are available at the Student Activities Box Office.

Movie Matinee:
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3 PM, Harborside Recreation Center, Lounge – Free

Monday, January 26
It’s the JWU Snowman!
Look out and take a picture with the friendliest snowman JWU has yet to meet! 10 AM–1 PM, Downtown Campus–Free

Winter Frenzy Bingo
Come play a shivering game of B-I-N-G-O and have a chance of winning a Free Travel Gift Certificate to anywhere in the world! 8 PM, Harborside Recreation Center, Lounge – Free

Tuesday, January 27
7th Annual One-Ton Sundae
Take the Sundae Shuttle for loads of FREE ice cream. 11 AM–3 PM, Delaney Gym – Free

3rd Annual Hip Hop Freestyle Contest
All applicants must sign up in advance by calling 598-2917
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Spa Day
Enjoy a relaxing massage, soothing facial treatment, and skin therapy. 12:30 PM, Multicultural Center & Harborside Recreation Center Lounge – Free
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Picto-Bear
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Movie: "School of Rock"
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Friday, January 30
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**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Seeing the silly side of some really ridiculous situations helps
the Lamb a new perspective on how to handle them. Some important contacts can be
made this weekend.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** Try to complete your outstanding tasks by midweek.
This lottery year you are free to take advantage of new possibilities -
both professional and personal - opening up by
week's end.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** With both your creative side and energy levels rising this week,
you should be able to tackle that too-long-neglected
project again. A family member might have
importune news.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** An explanation you requested seems to be more confusing than
enlightening. You should insist on clarifications now,
rather than deal with problems that might
arise later.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Your energy levels might be ebbing a bit. But that's no excuse for
taking catnaps when you could be working on
those unfinished tasks. There'll be time to curl
up and relax by week's end.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** It's a good time to get those ideas out of your head
and into a readable format if you hope to have
them turned into something doable. A good
friend is ready with worthwhile advice.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Careful -
you might be stepping into dangerous territo-
ry if you decide to "exaggerate" the facts too
much. Remember: The truth speaks for itself
and needs no embellishment.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)
Although your workplace successes have
camed you many admirers, there are some col-
leagues who are not among them. Be careful
how you proceed with your new project.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)
You might have to go into great detail to
explain why you're currently reluctant to make
to changes to an already prepared plan. Be sure
you have all the facts to back yourself up.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)
Travel plans might still be uncertain. But
instead of getting upset about the delay, open
yourself to other possibilities, and begin
checking out some alternative destinations.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)
Changing conditions might require you to alter
some of your plans. While you might be agree-
able to this, be prepared with explanations for
those who do not want changes made.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Although
you might have to deal with some detractors
who aren't too kind in their critiques, you gain
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