J&W Hosting The Virgin College
Mega Tour at the Wildcat Wahoo

Talib Kweli, Sugarhill, William Tell and More!

BY JACK BURTON
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

As another spring rolls towards the end of the regular school year in May, Johnson & Wales University embarks on hosting its annual Wildcat Wahoo on Saturday, May 7 at the Harborside Campus. The Wahoo itself will be better than ever this year. In the past the Wildcat Wahoo or “G riffin Getdown” (referring to the former J&W mascot) was comprised of a carnival like set-up involving rides and music acts; in recent years music artists who have performed at the Wahoo include Stroke 9, Sugar Hill Gang, 112, Papa Roach, Dropkick Murphys and Common.

This year J&W has pulled all the strings to bring to its community a truly one of kind music tour suited just for colleges. It’s called the Virgin College Mega Tour. In its 4th consecutive year, the tour is hitting 18 cities/collages including J&W and will be featuring the likes of solo folk artist William Tell (guitarist for Something Corporate), the rock band known as Sugarhill and hip-hop phenoms and headliner of the tour, Talib Kweli. The tour itself is being sponsored in part by Stride Rite, Gamma Major League Baseball and Virgin Megastores (a Virgin Entertainment Group subsidiary). When the concert committee here at J&W, involved in coordinating the artist selection process for the Wahoo was informed of this, it was full of excitement. Not only does this tour contain a national- ly renowned, diverse musical line-up for all the students here at J&W, according to a press release by the Virgin Entertainment Group, the tour will also consist of a "VCMT Daytime Village on campuses which include, video game competitions from Stride Rite, the MLB Road Show interactive baseball experience - featuring autograph sessions with tour artists, The CMJ New Artist Stage, dodge ball tournaments, prizes and demonstrations of the latest in technology and games (rumor has it they’ll have the Nintendo Wii) designed for the college audience."

Expanding on the topic of Major League Baseball’s influence on the our in it’s 3rd year running, the press release went on to state that “MLB will be promoting it’s Authentic Collection music-marketing program ‘Access To The Show’ which is a multi- functional, cross-platform music marketing program designed to showcase the MLB Authentic Collection line of apparel. ‘Access To The Show’ also includes the MLB Road Show, the traveling Major League Baseball experience that is designed to speak specifically to Mega Tour attendees. The MLB Road Show, housed in a transformed 53’ truck and newly designed ‘Access To The Show’ concert themed decor, includes pitching and batting cages and kiosks featuring the latest MLB video game titles.”

As for the music artist’s themselves, they have weathered the storms respectively to earn a spot on this year Virgin College Mega Tour. In a recent conversation with the solo artist playing the tour, William Tell, he commented on the current situation explaining...
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By THOMAS ALLEN

Assistant Editor-Special

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**Safety & Security Blotter**

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**Camus Log**

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ing, "I am more than excited to get a chance to tour with such talented musicians like Sugarcult and Talib, it will be something I'll never forget; and definitely a chance for college students to catch a varied line-up of artists in different aspects of musical talent."

William Tell, former guitarist for the pop punk band Something Corporate and a relatively new solo artist, will be opening the music festivities on May 5 at 7:00 p.m. On Tell's website he goes on to say, "I've been building up to this moment ever since I can remember. Growing up, if I wasn't playing music, I was thinking about music. It's pretty much the same way today. If my time in Something Corporate was my college education, then this album is my diploma." It's true that his music is a true blend of emotional folk rock reminiscent of such bands as the Rocket Summer and acts like Jack Johnson and John Mayer. His new album, You Can Hold Me Down was just released on New Door Records/UME in March.

The second music act on the roster this year at the Wahoo, are touring veterans and modern rockers, Sugarcult. The band is made up of four Californian natives who have been playing since 1999 and hold under their belt countless Warped Tour appearances and national as well as international tours throughout the years with bands like Green Day and the Foo Fighters. They have also released two full length DVD's and three complete albums, the last being "Lights Out" back in September of 2006. Their straightforward rock will certainly be sure to liven up the crowd and give them something to move to.

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Donnehaar, one of the many horses at the Equine barn was more than happy to introduce himself to staff members of The Campus Herald.

The Equine Program office in the Sciences building is available to all students who are interested in learning about horses, and those who want to learn how to care for and ride them. The office is located in the Sciences building and is open to students of all majors. The office is also available to students who are interested in learning about horse care and riding, and those who want to learn how to care for and ride horses. The office is located in the Sciences building and is open to students of all majors. The office is also available to students who are interested in learning about horse care and riding, and those who want to learn how to care for and ride horses.

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For over 25 years, a major role at Johnson & Wales has flourished in the shadow of the business and culinary aspects of the university. The major is exclusive in itself, usually retaining only those who wish to specialize in this field of working with the majestic creatures we see them riding or tending to. Equine studies has been an experience as well as academic and on site training in two distinct disciplines: Equine Business Management and Equine Business Management/Riding. Equine Studies cover a wide array of courses from the nutrition and physiology of horses to genetics and the actual riding of the horses themselves in a style known as dressage riding.

The Johnson & Wales Equine Farm is located in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, about forty minutes from the Downeview Providence campus. The farm, which sits on a picturesque 31 acres, is its own miniature campus complete with barns, riding areas, classroom and offices.

Freshman Isabella Nicolaides, a fresh face this year to the Equine Riding program exclaimed, "I was very nervous to go to try-outs but it turned out to be a welcoming atmosphere. I am so glad that I was allowed to be on the team. Not only am I able to ride more, but I also get more specialized Dressage training and am able to participate in intercollegiate shows at our barn and others." Dressage, as Isabella explained in her own terms, is a style of riding involving the rider using their body, hands and legs to aid the horse in completing certain maneuvers correctly and harmoniously. It also entails some components of jumping the horse. The horses themselves are selected for the program by evaluating their performing nature and overall fitness. The horses in general come in the form of several various breeds from thoroughbred to Danish warm bloods, the modern sport horse breed of Denmark. The Dressage team is particularly consisted of members of the Equine Business Management program picked for the positions by trying out for the role. From there they train comprehensively and compete in a variety of events against other teams skilled in the surrounding area. Isabella enlightened on the topic even more by stating, "We are shown that running a barn, or being an instructor (while both noble professions) are
SGA Mocktail Kickoff

Learn the Fundamentals of Success

By Stephen C. Mazziariello
STAFF WRITER

Most self-made millionaires possess similar qualities that contribute to their success. These shared characteristics usually wind up being fundamentals of success, which can be applied to all walks of life, personal or professional.

Discipline is the first step to a successful life, career, or personal balance sheet. If one of your objectives is to become financially independent and you aren't already there or on your way to becoming can be then you're probably doing something wrong. Once you are aware of the necessary changes that need to be made in your life you can get back on track and start putting your success into action.

Success is a lifelong journey and you need to constantly reassess your goals. In late December of 2006 I spoke briefly about programming yourself to succeed through setting broad, short, and clear goals and unfailingly working to refine those goals in order to increase the likelihood of achieving them. All of your goals, no matter the length, should be easy to adopt and should keep you consistently giving your best effort. Jim Rohn uses a great example that I'm going to share with you all - he stated that a man can get all excited about losing two-hundred pound weights - until he gets to the gym. Then he needs a new kind of excitement, long-term excitement. This change of goals is easy to adopt and should keep you disciplined and self-motivated.

It's important to remember that life gives you work that's great and work that's not so great. But you have to keep on giving and asking for more of the great work. And at the same time you need to be self-motivated in order to get the rest of the way. Discipline and self-motivation are not about excellence but about keeping you consistently giving your best effort.
**World**

**Iran steps up nuclear production**

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran has begun "industrial-scale" nuclear fuel production, the country's atomic chief said Monday ahead of a major speech by Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad.

"Today we celebrate the entry of the nuclear fuel program to the industrial stage," said Iran's Atomic Energy Organization head, Gholamreza Aghazadeh, addressing an audience at the Natanz uranium enrichment facility in central Iran.

Earlier on Monday, Iran's chief nuclear negotiator said Tehran was ready to resume serious negotiations over its nuclear ambitions, Iranian state media reported.

"Today, with the nuclear fuel cycle complete, we are ready to begin real negotiations with the aim of reaching an understanding," Larijani was quoted as saying in a speech in the eastern city of Mashad.

"We are ready to negotiate and reach an agreement with Western countries in order to remove their worries about nuclear Iran without putting an end to our scientific development."

Tensions between Iran and the West have also been heightened by last month's seizure of 15 British sailors and marines by Iranian forces while on patrol in the Persian Gulf. The 15 were released by Tehran last week after 12 days in Iranian detention.

**Thousands join anti-U.S. march marking Baghdad's fall**

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Thousands of anti-U.S. protesters marched in the Shiite holy city of Najaf on Monday to mark the fourth anniversary of the fall of Baghdad.

Powerful Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr called for the demonstration, which Najaf police said included tens of thousands of protesters. The U.S. Army estimated the crowd size at closer to 5,000 to 7,000 participants.

Marchers joined the protest from Kufa and reuniting Najaf near 160 (160 kilometers) south of Baghdad, as Iraqi police watched, according to The Associated Press.

Iraqi flags and leaflets dotted the march route, according to the AP. Some of the leaflets read, "Yes, Yes to Iraq" and "Yes, Yes to Muqtada. Occupiers should leave Iraq," the AP reported.

One marcher, Iraqi lawmaker Nasir al-Rubaie, told the AP, "The enemy that is occupying our country is now targeting the dignity of the Iraqi people."

On Sunday, al-Sadr implied his followers took credit for the U.S. military's efforts onousting American forces from the war-torn nation.

The freewheeling cleric's mandate came before a 24-hour security ban began Monday on civilian vehicle traffic in Baghdad.

In an interview — attributed to al-Sadr and released on Najaf on Sunday — the cleric purportedly said insurgents should not be killing Iraqis and that Iraqi police and troops should be on the side of the militants.

Throughout the weekend, U.S. and Iraqi forces battled al-Sadr's Mehdi Army militia south of the capital in Diwaniya. The U.S. military said it had captured 39 militia fighters and killed several in the Diwaniya.

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**Nation**

**Up to 53 hurt in NYC fire**

NEW YORK (AP) — A woman who was rescued from a burning Bronx, New York, apartment building says "everyone was in a panic."

Authorities say more than 50 people were hurt in last night's fire, which was reported on the first floor of a 17-story building. At least five people were seriously hurt.

Elizabeth Clayborne climbed nine stories down a fire escape. She said everybody was crying and that it was "terrific."

Sandra Fernandez was rescued by firefighters breaking a window in her second-floor apartment. She says the thought "there was no way out."

Police say the fire was an accident.

**Buckeye fan names son after Ohio coaches**

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — An Ohio State fan is passing on that legacy to his newborn son by naming him after a pair of Buckeye coaches — current coach Jim Tressel and the legendary Woody Hayes.

So the new addition to the Huggines family now bears the name Tressel Hayes Huggines. Says the new dad, whose name is Brent, "Tressel Hayes Huggines sounds as sweet as an 'O-S-U' victory over Michigan."

Birth records show at least six Ohio parents have named their child Tressel since 2003.

Huggines says it "assures the Buckeye tradition stays in the family," noting, "Can you imagine someone named Tressel Hayes going to Michigan for college?"

**Woodstock, New York, takes on global warming**

WOODSTOCK, New York (AP) — Michael Esposito rides his bike all the time — from cold nights when leaving his old job at a natural food store to scorching days while passing shops selling yoga clothes and soaps.

So the 67-year-old is excited about a new plan to reduce this countercultural haven's net carbon dioxide emissions to zero within a decade, an ambitious attempt to erase the town's "carbon footprint."

The goal might sound as unlikely as stuffing smoke back into a smokestack. Even sympathetic ex-punks call it challenging. It likely would require many of the town's roughly 6,200 people to install solar panels and geothermal hookups. But it's tough to find a resident who doesn't support the project.

"So why not declare that within 10 years we're going to set a visionary goal," says Randolph Horner, a renewable energy project developer who is a driving force behind the initiative.

The bottom line is best known for its 1969 rock concert that borrowed its name and held some 50 miles away in Bethel.

But the old artists' colony is plugging firmly into the zeitgeist of 2007, a time when hybrid cars are hot and Al Gore's climate change documentary, "An Inconvenient Truth," won two Oscars.

Last month, the Woodstock town board approved a nonbinding resolution that calls for "implementing policies ensuring in no net emission of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases" by 2017.

The resolution lists ways to reach the goal, including green building codes, planting and biodiesel municipal fleets.

Bikes are a wisp compared with the billions of tons of greenhouse gases released annually, but the idea is to reach meaningful reductions through collective action.

Renewable energy experts say the goal is technically possible but difficult. Michael Armstrong, a policy analyst with Portland's Office of Sustainability, called net zero "a monstrous challenge."

Woodstock has some advantages big cities like Portland or Austin don't. It's a rural town with no heavy industry, and residents generally tend to be more sympathetic to save-the-planet ideas.

**Colt defense killer has corps of supporters**

COLUMBUS, South Carolina (AP) — Every week, Janet Sisk rises as early as 5 a.m. and drives nearly 100 miles to spend her Sundays with a teenager who was just 12 when he murdered his grandparents in their sleep.

She planned to spend part of Easter weekend sitting across a table from Christopher Pittman at his maximum-security prison in Columbia. She also made a trek from her home in Charlotte, North Carolina, to spend Christmas Eve with him.

She's not alone — a half-dozen people drawn to Pittman's case for years. Another woman has flown from Michigan to see him twice in the past year. Hundreds of others are making promises that are otherwise promising to pay for college when he gets out of prison, and campaigning for extra safeguards for arrested juveniles in South Carolina.

To Sisk, director of the Juvenile Justice Foundation, Pittman has become more than the youth who attracted worldwide attention when he blamed the 2001 slayings on Zolof, the antidepressant he was taking. She now thinks of him as her third son.

"He's shy and he's quiet and he's polite," Sisk said recently. "It's like we've been friends forever."

Pittman used a pump-action shotgun to shoot his grandparents, Joe and Joy Pittman, and then set fire to their Chester County home.

A judge sentenced him to 30 years in prison.

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**Cost of parking: heading up in Providence**

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Motorists should be prepared to shell out a little more for a parking space in Providence.

That's the word from the Rhode Island Convention Center Authority. The authority, which controls near

40 percent of all the parking spaces in downtown Providence, is planning to hike the cost of parking, saying the rates have remained low despite rising demand.

Officials haven't said how much the hike will be, but the increase reflects a downtown boom, including new bookstores, luxury restaurants and office buildings.

The anticipated hike is recommended by a recent study which found that private lots are hiking their rates to take advantage of the new demand.

**Proposed repeal of 1913 law could lure gay couples to Mass.**

BOSTON (AP) — Gay couples from across the country could be getting the green light to marry in Massachusetts.

Democratic Governor Deval Patrick, state Senate President Therese Murray and House Speaker Salvatore DiMasi say they support repealing a 94-year-old law that has blocked the practice.

Gay couples living in Massachusetts have been free to marry since 2004. But couples from other states have been barred from tying the knot by the 1913 law.

It is unclear what legal weight those certificates would carry once the couples returned home because most states prohibit gay marriage.

But a Massachusetts certificate could provide couples with the foundation for legal challenges. So far, only Rhode Island allows its gay couples to wed in Massachusetts after a Rhode Island judge ruled last September that the state's laws do not explicitly ban same-sex marriage.

**Providence fire department honored for response to Port Aransas, Texas**

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — The department was honored yesterday for its response to a large fire last summer in the Port Aransas area.

The fire occurred during a lightning storm July 18 when a tanker was unloading fuel at the Motiva terminal. The blaze sent a huge ball of fire into the sky and burned for days. The terminal was shut down for months.

U.S. Coast Guard Captain Roy Nash presented the department with the Meritorious Public Service Award. He said the actions taken by the first fighters on the scene were instrumental in bringing the fire under control.
By Britney Martin

Staff Writer

The interactive "Speak Out" section of The Campus Herald is meant to provide the University community
with a professional forum to voice their ideas and opinions.

To submit a question for Speak Out!, please email
campusherald@jwu.edu.

Josh Kohn '10
S.E.E.

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everybody."

Ashley Fino '10
Fashion Merchandising

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big fan so this is definitely a con-
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Management

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music selections? Which artist
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Culinary Arts

Restaurant Review: Cuban Revolution

BY SAMANTHA RADOV
STAFF WRITER

"You say you want a revolution. Well, you know, we all want to change the world."

It was the sixties and they were the Beat Generation. The revolution is meant to tell us that a revolution isn't such a good idea. Well there is a different kind of revolution that today seems like a good idea to me. This is a place that sells itself on a sixties "counter-culture" environment with a Latin beat. They provide you with drink, art, history, controversy and some killer food. However I have to address one issue; they are making money off of a revolution that took place forty years ago. A revolution that in its romantic efforts to restore basic human rights and rid its country of American imperialism and capitalist influence has ended up with the suffering of thousands of peoples for decades. So this restaurant that so adamantly pledges to "honor the revolutionary spirit of individuals who struggle against tyranny and oppression, fight big government and corporate greed," is really just doing the opposite. The walls in this 900 square foot (the big) U.S. government and contributing to capitalism as a whole. So on the political standpoint, Cuban Revolution is one big contradiction.

Yet on the gastronomic and entertainment side of the fence, Cuban Revolution seems to be doing just fine. Truth be told, diners can actually deceive themselves, they are super successful for a reason. I mean, why else would they give up the hole-in-the-wall shop they once had? (Besides the fact that the building is to be demolished, and then a hotel is to be built on that spot.) They have been kicking it for about 6 years now, and show no signs of stopping.

Their new location at 50 Aboe Street is a fresh addition to the provisionate restaurant scene. They have huge original art works of Fidel Castro and Marilyn Monroe done by a local artist, Angel Quinones. With some modernization from their original style, they have kept the same vibe. Even if the scene is a bit hipster for me, you need to be dressed to go here. The waiters and waitresses were all dressed in black, barb, as do the walls, meaning that it’s Cool, you know what I mean? So don’t look like a slob when you arrive.

Once you sit down either at their new bar that has full service or you sit at a table (with a table cloth!). You are greeted by the friendly staff and given some chips and black bean dip. Free food is always well welcomed to the college student. Then the menus are presented, and to my relief prices are still low, even with all the pretty things around. The diners that order the main dishes are themselves pretty cool. Wicked vibrant reds, greens and yellows take you through a delectable round of choices to dine on. And they throw in cute little blurbs about U.S. trade embargoes and quotes from Fidel. I guess to make sure that the message is loud and clear US bad. Cuba good. That is the message, right? Enough rants, to quench your thirst, I suggest ordering their sangria or an egg cream. An egg cream is a classic New York City beverage consisting of chocolate syrup, milk, and seltzer. And if you never have enjoyed one of these days, this spot serves up a good version of one.

Then the food. If you are carnivorous this is the place to stuff that meat loving face of yours. My dining partner and I shared the plantain platter for our appetizer, for $5.50. Then she ordered something to satisfy her fishy needs, the sandwich appropriately titled El Gordo, $8.50. This means, if you haven’t guessed already, the fat one. This fatty has double the pork, ham and cheese of the cousin, “The world’s best Cuban sandwich.” She was happy with it, but did miss the pickles. Traditional Cuban sandwiches have them, as does the smaller version of the one she ordered, but for some reason hers did not. Through a bit of searching I decided on the Malecon, a beach in Havana, and a salad! A salad with black beans, rice, and Cuban toast. Good but way too much money, it was $9.25. Then for dessert I couldn’t deny the hype that I have heard from their fans. It was a flan yes, but not the best I have had. But seeing as how the best I have had was in Spain, this is as good as gets from Providence.

So check it out; Cuban Revolution 50 Aboe Street. Providence. RI. 401.331.8829 Mon-Sat 11 am-midnight. Major credit cards, Full bar, Sidewalk level access.

No contaminated wheat gluten in human food supply, importer says

WASHINGTON (AP) — None of the contaminated wheat gluten that led to the U.S. recall of pet food went to manufacturers of food for humans, the ingredient’s importer said.

The Chinese wheat gluten imported by ChemNutra Inc. went to companies that make pet foods, Stephen Miller, executive officer of the Las Vegas company, told The Associated Press.

Miller declined to identify what companies it sold to, but said all 100-plus brands of cat and dog foods made with the ingredient, since found to be chemically contaminated, have been recalled.

The recalled pet food apparently has resulted in kidney failure in animals across the country.

FDA testing of the wheat gluten has revealed it was contaminated with melamine, a chemical with a variety of industrial uses and no place in plastic kitchenware. As late as Monday, FDA officials had said they were uncertain if the contaminated ingredient had been used in any foods destined for human consumption.

Last week, the FDA blocked wheat gluten

J&W Students compete at la Chaine des Rôtisseurs

BY JOHN O’CONNELL
CULINARY EDITOR

On March 24th, 10 young culinary student competed for the right to represent the region at the la Chaine des Rôtisseurs competition to be held in May in New Jersey. What is la Chaine des Rôtisseurs? You may be wondering. It is an international gastronomic society founded in Paris in 1950. The Chaine is based on the traditions and practices of the old French royal guild of goose roasters, whose authority gradually expanded to the roasting of all poultry, meat and game. This group is dedicated to fine cuisine and promoting and developing the gastronomic values while at the same time widening its focus to ‘table art.’ Today the Chaine has evolved into something much more than it’s old traditions. The Chaine brings together professional and non-professional members from around the world who share in the ‘spirit’ of the Society and who appreciate and enjoy wine and fine dining. Within the Chaine there is also the ‘L’Ordre Mondial des Gourmets Dégustateurs’ for those members who have a special knowledge of, or interest in, wine and spirits. Its headquarters are located in Paris where the group was originally founded.

Jeunes Commis Rotisseurs Competition is the proper name for the event. It is a ‘Black Box’ Competition where competitors are given 30 minutes to view the items in their mystery basket and then write a three course meal for the panel of evaluators. After they have entered their respective kitchens they are given 3/4 hours to complete their menu. Each contestant was given a Commi (runner) to assist in the gathering of their mise en place. The runners for the event were members of our very own Special Functions Club and the American Culinary Federation Junior Chapter of Rhode Island. The rules for the competition were simple. Create a signature dish using the items from the mystery basket and your paras will create your dish within the tight time periods. The last and most important rule for this event: your Commis is not allowed to assist in the cooking process, only the gathering of supplies.

At 7:00AM the event begins with two of the ten competitors entering the prep room to view the items. Every 30 minutes a member of the Special Functions Club will drive to a nearby hotel and pick up the next two competitors and drive them to the Circle in the Square, a theater and on the edge of Harbor Side Academic Center. At 7:30, the first of the ten entered their kitchen and did not stop anytime as they got right to work using their runner to fulfill their as they gathered items to try and get that winning edge. As the competitors worked in the kitchen, the judges for this event gathered in the dining room and mingled and received tours of the campus courtesy of Chef Kevin Duffy and Edward Korry. The Judges for this event are all members of the Chaine including our very own Chef Duffy and Mr. Korry. Along with two of our faculty members, notable chefs from the area were judges along with Chef Dean Lynch, an instructor at the Culinary Institute of America who had two students competing.

When it came time to judge the meals, the contestants were not allowed to approach the kitchen area as they were only known by their name to make sure all students had a fair shot. As the day rolled on the contestants hurried in their kitchens trying to keep within the time limits. As the anticipation grew for the big announcement of who was to represent the region in New Jersey, students tried to ease their nervous by taking time for photo ops. Mr. Korry the Dining and Beverage Service chairman for Johnson & Wales who also chaired the event kept adding to the anticipation as he thanked all who were involved and gave small tokens of appreciation to the judges and the support staff who made this event possible. The Chaine only gives out first and second place awards so that means the remaining eight of you are all in third place" joked one of the judges as they were about to announce the winners. In second place was our competitor number 10, Eric Haunen, a J&W student. The first place winner was Carlos “ Guam” Llagana, also of J&W. After the event, the judges made themselves available for the "comfort and advice of the students to get feedback to help improve their skills and possibly come back next year and win the next Jeunes Commis Rotisseurs Competition.

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"Divided by Water, United by Culture"
The Editor’s Desk:

Of Big Brother and Torture, what the Future holds for America.

By Patrick Dyl
Editor-in-Chief

Big Brother is already watching us. Big brother is seemingly all knowing, all watching leader of George Orwell’s “1984.” With the support of his Thought Police, Big Brother is able to keep the populace under his control, and utterly obliterate his opposition.

Orwell originally wrote “1984” as a warning of some of what our future could look like: constant war, unyielding poverty, the destruction of all hope for a better tomorrow. It seems perhaps, that Orwell’s vision may come to pass after all.

It is America’s new reality: security and surveillance. From intense scrutiny at airports to expanded government authority to track Internet use and tapped phone calls, federal agents now watch American citizens more closely than ever.

The FBI has been accused of overstepping its authority and abusing the Patriot Act, which is perhaps the most un patriot  ic law America has ever enacted. Surveillance cameras are popping up on almost every street corner in America, and Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Chips are being inserted into Credit Cards and IDs. (Have you ever lost your ID and tried to get a new one? You need two or three forms of ID to get one! Talk about running in circles.)

But as each new scandal about secret spying and government targeting of immigrants and peaceful protesters comes to light, it’s clearer than ever that the government’s idea of “protecting” U.S. citizens at home involves shredding our civil liberties. The government can obtain your financial and medical records because you sat on an airplane next to a suspected terrorist. This is just one of the ways that the government can now legally invade your privacy with awe-inspiring scope and without meaningful judicial limitations.

And the US government has actually asked to be allowed to torture. “PHYSICAL ABUSE resulting in deaths in custody.” “Torture and coerced confessions of prisoners.” “Arbitrary arrest and detention, including rationing of food and medical administra- tive detention.” “A politically controlled judiciary and a lack of due process in certain cases.” Go to the U.S. State Department Web site, and these are included on a 2005 list of human right abuses that the Chinese government is accused of implementing. But in October of 2006, Congress voted to legalize many of these same abuses for the U.S. Both houses passed the Military Commissions Act of 2006, a bill that fulfills nearly every proposal on the Bush administration’s wish list for the creation of military tribunals for detainees of the “war on terror.”

A group of Republican senators—John McCain, Lindsey Graham and John Warner—publicly claimed to have won concessions from the Bush administration to protect the rights of detainees under the Geneva Conventions, which outlawed "outrages upon personal dignity, in par- ticular, humiliating and degrading treatment.” Not that these three cared about the hundreds of men imprisoned and mistreated—many for years—at U.S. prisons in Afghanistan, Iraq or Guantánamo Bay. They were just worried that Bush’s proposal would set a bad precedent by which other countries might decide to treat U.S. soldiers in the future.

Still, while the final legislation keeps intact language about the Geneva Conventions, the Bush administration will be allowed to issue an executive order defining the “meaning and application of the Conventions,” and specify exactly which interrogation techniques will be prohibited.

The administration has already said that the CIA’s “alternative interrogation procedures”—including waterboarding (mock drowning), psychological and mental stress, and exposure to extreme heat and cold—will be allowed. In other words, Congress is allowing the Bush administration to redefine “torture” so it can keep using the same abusive tactics.

The legislation also gives members of the Bush administration, the CIA and other military personnel a “get out of jail free” card, since it retroactively exempted them from prosecution under the War Crimes Act for abuses that occurred during interrogations before a torture ban was passed last year.

Why is it that here in the United States, where civil liberties literally define the very fiber of our existence, are we so reluctant to fight for the rights we once enjoyed? It seems that we have become so socially lazy that no one will notice what has been taken from us until there is nothing left of the ideals on which this nation was founded. Resisting action now will result in the United States government completely inhibiting our freedom to act.

The Simple Walks of Life

By Ashleigh Burke
Guest Contributor

Who knew that a visit to New York City would take me back to my lectures that I give to my Johnson & Wales University students about food insecurity, hunger, and homelessness? The questions the students raise in class are my questions as well. Many of the questions I can answer but some of them I cannot. "How do people get to the point where they are living on the streets?" "Why are they asking for food, a job or money?" "What can we do?"

My lectures and the student’s questions hit me full force in the midst of a simple walk down a New York street to a friend’s house. This force was not a shock, not even alarming; it just came as a big ques- tion mark. I was not expecting to see any- thing like this in Brooklyn, NY. There, I saw a man, or was it a woman? I couldn’t tell because their head was down, slumped over to the side. The person was holding a sign that read, “Homeless. Need Food. Please Help. God Bless.” It broke my heart to read words that were so direct, so desperate and needy. Never before had I felt that people in the world seem to not recognize a human being who may be liv- ing on the streets. No one would choose to be there in the first place, but they are, and now they are trying to get back on their feet. Sometimes they just need our help.

"Help" has many meanings, but for this text, "help" is to relieve someone in need, sickness, pain, or distress. We need to keep in mind that there are many places, not just in Providence, but all over the world where we can perform acts of kind- ness. In RJ agencies or churches such as Crossroads RJ, Amos House, St. Charles Soup Kitchen, the RJ Community Food Bank, Meals on Wheels, etc. offer assis- tance to men, women, and children in need daily.

In New York City, millions of people come and go everyday, for work or play, and maybe never really noticing the person on the corner sidewalk of their building or sleeping on the bench at their favorite park. Doesn’t everyone need dignity and respect?

I thought to myself, “Why isn’t someone paying attention?” I looked at the passers- by, never even looking at this person, not even offering a quick glance. This made me feel angry. I wanted to scream, “Is there anyone out there who cares?” “Was the only one who noticed and wanted to lend a hand?” As I kept walking, I realized that maybe I was actually in that person’s shoes who was sitting on the corner… feeling helpless! All I wanted to do was to pay attention to them and take them to the nearest restaurant — buy them a cup of hot coffee and something healthy to eat. But why couldn’t I do this? Maybe because I wondered what people would think of me who were walking past me? Would this inconvenience my friends? What would they think of me?

At that moment I realized that I am like everyone else. I go on with my daily rou- tine, and don’t stop and notice that some- one is there. Now that I think about it, I felt ashamed realizing that I wanted to aid but did not want anyone to think different of me. I’ve learned to never let anyone think different of me.

When you go out and see the person with a sign, put your judgment aside, think again and act. Every action counts. A simple "hello" or information can direct some- one in need to the nearest shelter. I have learned that food insecure, hungry, and homeless people are like the rest of us. Would you want someone to help you out? I know I would. No matter where I live and work, I will give back to my communi- ty, and I will always remember to appre- ciate the simple walks of life.

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Moving beyond marriage

BY JASON STAHL
MINNESOTA DAILY (U, MINNESOTA)

This past January, The New York Times ran a story on marital trends which asserted that for the first time "more American women are living without a husband than with one." The same article reported, "In 2005 married couples became a minority of America's households for the first time."

Conservative columnists nationwide had a connivance over the article arguing that it included "proof" of where America is heading. In 2005, 51 percent of women are non-marital living, which is a 35 percent in 1950 and 49 percent in 2000. Among younger women, the trend is just as bad. They make up the bulk of the share of women 15-24 who were married plummeted to 16 percent, from 42 percent. Among 25-34 year-olds, the proportion dropped to 58 percent, from 82 percent.

In other words, conservative complaints aside, marriage as an institution is less central to the lives of Americans than ever before.

Professor Lisa Duggan argues that it is facts like these that make focus on marriage within the mainstream GLBT community anachronistic and politically untenable. Duggan's upcoming book, "The End of Marriage: The War Over the Future of State Sponsored Love," and is also a part of a group of acid-bath writers who are calling for a new political project of the LGBT community.

Duggan spoke this past Saturday night in Minneapolis, and her political project per- suaded me.

Duggan's argument, and the argument of her group, essentially goes as follows. Most people don't live in marital reproductive households, and distrust of marriage is at historic highs. At the same, politicians idealize marriage and the "traditional family" as the norm. According to Duggan, "The legal and economic protections that are tied to the institution of marriage, which seems like it is the last bulwark against such anxiety."

She notes that mainstream LGBT organizations have played into this conservative charade - thus implicitly endorsing marriage as the only legitimate economic and real conservative economic policies contained within. Moreover, Duggan argues that this has led to an enormous decline of progressive anti-marriage gains. For instance, most states that have passed antigay marriage amendments have also passed civil union measures, which have undermined laws designed to protect gays and lesbians against discrimination.

Given these factors, Duggan argues that the LGBT community needs to get beyond marriage and instead focus on, as the Beyond Marriage Web site states, "Legal recognition for a wide range of relationships, households and families - regardless of kinship or conjugal status."

Duggan and her group argue this project better acknowledges the lived realities of our society, but also makes it possible for the GLBT community to create wider connections within and across the same backlash entailed in marriage politics.

As an example of such coalitional politics, Duggan follows the campaign of The Arizona Together Coalition which, this past November, helped win the first state victory over an antigay constitutional amendment. Duggan notes how it did so by focusing on the amendment's threat to not only same-sex couples but to seniors, survivors, domestic partners, unmarried heterosexual couples, adopted children, and the business community because of its rejection of domestic partnerships as well as marriage. In addition, ATC also publicized the fact that supporters of the amendment in many cases also wanted to keep cohabitation a crime.

Time to shut down Gitmo

STAFF EDITORIAL
THE LARGIT (BAYLOR U.)

Rumors were confirmed Thursday that Defense Secretary Robert Gates lobbed for the closure of the Guantanamo Bay detention center.

It came on the heels of the first guilty plea, made by Australian citizen David Hicks, who was among those whose names had been set up to try terror suspects.

It should be noted that Gates is not known to be a "bleeding heart" champion of human rights organizations, he gets. He knows that Guantanamo has to go.

It was perfect timing that Gates came out and gave this signal, the signal of the executive branch to come up with a plan, because the case of David Hicks perfectly illustrates the faults of the Military Commission Act.

Hicks, more a pipsqueak of a terrorist than anything else, made numerous allegations of torture and sexual abuse since his capture. His guilty plea came after spending five years at Guantanamo.

The commission threw out the two civilian lawyers representing him for refusing to sign a document saying they would follow the court's procedures - which hadn't been defined. Hicks' lawyers suspend the sentence to seven months provided that he follows a gag order's instruction from the trial.

Some of the voices concerned about where the detainees would be held, fearing the presence of a terror suspect being held on American soil. But that's exactly where we should put them. Of the 383 prisoners currently being held at Guantanamo, 14 are deemed to be high-value detainees. The 14 high-value prisoners should be placed in one of the several Supermax high-security prisons.

It may be difficult to guarantee a speedy trial for them, but it is possible to reclassify evidences involved. But the U.S. courts can make sure detainees have access to a lawyer, are informed as to the purpose of the detainment and that the procedures of their trial follow the law. The other 379 should be transported to one of the many military prisons at bases around the country.

Gates' recommendation is a signal that this should no longer be a divisive issue. If the U.S. is serious about the war on terror, it should extend to detainees the same fundamental human rights that we enjoy.

Not only is it the right thing to do, but it sends the right message.

Do we want to be known as the nation that denies the right of habeas corpus to prisoners? Does it make any sense to the Magna Carta in 1215 and states that a prisoner has the right to know why he is being held. The suspension of habeas is for prisoners to be held indefinitely.

If others in the administration have their way, Guantanamo will remain in business. Gates was right to speak out, and others should join his challenge to find a solution to end this problem.

American apathy has global consequences

BY HEATHER NIEDERMANN
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Everyone would like more time on the beach and more excuses to eat ice cream, but at what cost? We all hear about how bad global warming is, and that it needs to be stopped. But it may not all be that horrible for America. Sure there are ongoing warnings about longer summers and warmer winters, but Americans can afford to say things like: literally. America is one of the wealthiest and most powerful countries in the world, so we do not have to worry about global warming affecting us as much as it affects other locations.

Africa, and other places with a similar climate, will bear the brunt of global warming's effects.

Still, many people are more concerned about Manhattan being under water in 100 years than yet another drought in far away Africa. Americans need to realize that New York is not going to freeze over in one day because of their careless use of aerosol cans or non-hybird cars. But Africans will perish. People need to start realizing that there are other places in the world besides America, and those places will suffer the effects of global warming if we don't do something to help.

The first step that America can take to help poorer countries fight the effects of global warming is to limit their harmful emissions. Perhaps surprisingly, this is not a very difficult task. Instead of buying a Porsche Carrera GT for $484,000, someone could conceivably donate half of that money to buy food to send to Africa, and still have $242,000 for a brand new car.

It is not practical for people to have cars capable of driving 160 mph when the highest speed limit in North America is 80 mph. These sports cars with V10 engines and horrifying gas mileage allow Americans to flaunt their money while the emissions from their prized possessions deplete the ozone layer and ultimately increase the death toll in Africa, due to famine and drought.

Because of these emissions, all water and precipitation is moving towards the poles and away from the equator. This leaves the northern region which includes Australia, with dried lakes, no food and no water. Over the past decade, Africa has experienced malaria outbreaks, melting glaciers and floods. In fact, the effects of global warming has already begun.

According to ABC news, "the ice caps of Mount Kilimanjaro have gotten smaller over the past 50 percent ... and East Africa crops are in danger of disappearing." Over 50 percent of the area's reefs have died as a result of "bleaching through pol- lution."

We can help the people of Africa simply by recycling and reducing our global emissions. The United States releases more greenhouse gas emissions than anyone else. This is a problem that Americans have the power to change. If you don't contribute anything good to the world, it will eventually perish. Just because you will not necessarily be here to experience it, doesn't mean your family over the next couple of generations won't.Besides global warming affecting humans, it also affects countless species of animals and plants. We have to consider where the majority of our food comes from. Global warming will cause animals to die off due to lack of food, water or habitat. Additionally, plants will die from drought or climate change. Global warming will eventually affect everything that we need to survive.

The problem is that many people don't care about what will happen "eventually." If they will not be around to experience the effects, then it isn't their problem. But global warming is not just a concern for the future. Maybe if people think about how this affects them now, the message will become clearer. For those of you who like to take vacations to the Bahamas or the Florida Keys, you will not be returning with pleasant scuba diving pictures. The normally exquisite colors and variations of the oceans are rapidly depleting. People will witness an increasing amount of gray and white death reefs.

Additionally, because of the melting ice caps, animals such as polar bears, sea lions and penguins are dying off. If this keeps up, trips to the zoo may only include a few species of animals. Also, those who find the diverse animals in Africa appealing will be out of luck. Different species of animals are dying off due to drought and famine. This problem is one of the present.

Americans have the resources and the power to help the world keep its natural beauty and diversity; we just lack the desire to do so.

According to the New York Times, Michael H. Glantz, an expert on climate hazards at the National Center for Atmospheric Research, is not hopeful about the global warming situation concerning Africa and other similar places.

Glantz acknowledges that "the third world has created its own problem which will remain on its own." But Americans have the power to significantly change this problem with little effort. If you were born in America, you're very lucky. You have the free- dom and the resources to make a vital change in the world. Don't be selfish... help others who can't help themselves.
Book Review: The Fabulist
Admitted Fiction, or Hidden Confession?

BY PATRICK DYL
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Stephen Glass, for those of you who don’t know who he is, I’ll fill you in. Glass is perhaps the most disgraceful journalist in modern history. Glass was fired from “The New Republic” a weekly news/political magazine that was considered the best in print, in May 1998, after it was discovered that he had committed several cases of jour- nalistic fraud. The story that triggered these events was called “Hack Heaven”, and concerned a supposed 15-year-old computer hacker, who was purportedly hired to work for a large company as an information security con-sultant after breaking into their computer system and exposing its weaknesses. Like several of Stephen Glass’s previous stories, “Hack Heaven” depicted events that were almost cinematic in their vividness and that were told from a first-person perspective implying Glass was there as the action took place.

An investigative piece by “Forbs Digital” uncovered that the piece was a complete an utter forgery. An investiga-tion by the staff at “The New Republic” uncovered that a majority of Glass’ pieces were either complete, or near complete lies.

In 2003, Glass appeared on television to promote his new novel “The Fabulist”, which coincidentally follows the downfall of a young Washington D.C. reporter who is exposed for making up false stories. In an author’s note at the beginning of the novel, Glass states “This book is a work of fiction – a fabrication, and this time, and admit-ted one. […] this novel should not be understood as describing real people, real events, or actual conversa-tions.” However, “The Fabulist”, is vividly written in the first person (as were many of Glass’ fictitious news pieces) and explores the why, and how this young reporter, whom is also named Stephen Glass, duped the nation into believ-ing his stories.

To the surprise of many, both in real life, and the book, Glass never spoke his side of the story. His silence was called both arrogant, and cold. In the novel Glass’ charac-ter explains that he hasn’t spoken about the lies because he knows he did wrong, people know what he did, and he didn’t want to try and justify it. Even for those who have never heard of Glass the book is both suspenseful, and immersive. I found myself hav-ing finished it only after a few hours.

So whether your trying to understand why a journalist who had the potential to be the best threw away his career, or looking for a good read, “The Fabulist” is it. Just don’t make the mistake I did, if your looking for the truth from Glass, be prepared. You won’t know what to believe.

Movie Review:
Blades of Glory

BY DINA SMITH

KING FEATURES SYNDICATED

When rating “Blades of Glory” alongside Will Ferrell’s other films, this snoopup of the world of international figure skating isn’t a goldmedal achievement like “Anchorman” or “Stranger Than Fiction.” Nor is it a solid, silver-medal effort like “Talladega Nights.”

No, “Blades of Glory” is definitely a bronze-medal-worthy comedy. It hits just enough comedic beats to be worth your time and money, but it won’t be on your list of favorite Ferrell films of all-time. But hey, at least it’s not “Bewitched.” The film stars Ferrell as Chazz Michael Michaels, the bad boy of figure skating, a raging, boozy sex addict with a doughy, hairy body that screams Neil Diamond.

His on-ice nemesis is the virginal, gold-en-locked Jimmy MacElroy (Jon Heder). At the world championships, the two tie for the gold. A fight between them during the medal ceremony gets them banned for life.

Three and a half years pass. Michaels is boozing it up and appearing in a kiddo show on ice, while MacElroy is working in a sporting goods store. MacElroy gets a tip from a slider/fan (Nick Swardson) that even though the young phenom is banned from singles competition, there’s nothing stopping him from competing in the pairs event. One convenientplot device later, MacElroy and Michaels are teamed up. They have a Coach (Craig T. “Coach” Nelson) and a killer (literally) routine that, if performed correctly, will change the face of figure skating forever. For me, the funniest moments are the routines on the ice. They are so ridicu-lously choreographed, I couldn’t stop laughing. That’s where “Blades of Glory” scores its highest marks. The problem is with most of the stuff that happens between the competitions. The biggest problem is that I don’t think Jon Heder has the experience or confidence to be a proper foil for a comic as dominating as Will Ferrell. Another actor with more experience may have found a way to add more to the character of MacElroy. Another problem is that the cast is so strong, yet Jenna Fischer, Rob Corddry,Will Arnett and Amy Poehler have so little to do in the film. All that talent is wasted because of a pretty lachanter script. “Blades of Glory” could’ve been a really great comedy. Instead, it’s a pleasantly afternoon diversion. See it at a matinee or wait for the rental.

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Brendan Burke's cell phone was beeping within minutes of the start of his wife's marathon in San Diego. A text message arrived while she was passing the 11th mile as she crossed the sixth mile marks around the course.

It didn't matter that he was across the country at home in New Jersey. Pushing to make the 26.2-mile race more friendly to fans and runners alike, marathon officials are increasingly offering free online tools to help spectators and loved ones back home track runners along courses that can span entire cities.

"At mile 11 of the San Diego half-marathon, I was and I would figure out her pace to see how she was feeling," Burke, 33, said of his wife's debut marathon in 2005. "It real-ly gave me a sense that I was there running with her."

The systems aren't flawless, but they do help fans monitor runners via a Web site, a cell phone text message or e-mail.

No longer must family and friends take their best guesses and wait. And wait. And wait.

During the April 16 Boston Marathon, for instance, the curious can use their computers to check on the progress of up to five runners at a time. Last year, 10,232 Boston marathon runners, or about half, signed up for alerts, up from 9,836 in 2005.

In Chicago, meanwhile, fans can stop by participating Starbucks coffeehouses along the course and ask marathon volunteers with laptops to look up runners on the spot.

Runners are provided with radio-fre-quency identification chips that attach to shoeaces. As they cross large rubber mats along the course, a radio transmitter inside the chip sends a unique ID number to a computer, which routes the information to a central database.

From there, depending on which options a runner has chosen, the information is sent to the cell phone or e-mail address on file.Elapsed time: two to four seconds.

Some races put restrictions on who can receive alerts but not on tracking runners online.

As Nadine Valco ran through the streets of New York last fall, her fans knew she had followed her progress closely at home in Columbus, Ohio.

"My friends and family and co-workers were really encouraging with my training, but obviously with the expense and time of getting to New York, they couldn’t be there," said Valco, who has run seven marathons. "But they could say, ‘Cool, there she is at 5K.’"

New York started using the chips seven years ago to track its runners for timing and online viewing of an athlete’s splits. Today, transmitters send automatic updates to the address of your choice — whether on a computer, cell phone or Blackberry — from 11 points along the course.

"We need to make our events as attractive, as exciting as possible to continue to meet the demands of the marketplace," said Richard Finn, New York City Marathon spokesperson. "We have got to keep on freshening up your event."

A series of triathlons sponsored by consulting firm Accenture sends automated voice updates from several points to spectato-rs signed up for alerts. Last year, the marathon in Green Bay, Wisconsin, posted online splits for runners every mile.

One of the most tech-savvy races is the Houston Marathon, which started an alert system in 2001 and has since added an online map of a race program, an up-date post-race summary of a runner’s results and video clips searchable by a run-ner’s name.

Houston’s offerings — free with the $75 entry fee — benefit participants while pleasing corporate sponsors because of high traffic on the marathon’s Web site, spokesman Steven Karpsas said.

The systems aren’t foolproof. Running the New York City Marathon last year, Lara Kail collected her marathon’s e-mail address, her brother’s cell phone and her aunt and uncle’s e-mail.

Kail, 30, got the correct updates which she wanted for postergy’s sake. But her brother received just one blank message. Her aunt and uncle: nothing.

"It was a little disappointing," the New York market researcher said. "For me, I had a good day, but what would have happened if I’d fallen way off my target and they had no clue where I was on the course?"

"Sometimes a tracking of a runner can also be costly, as a factor as race fees for top marathons are up to $100. Systems can cost $1 to $2 per runner — charged as part of the entry fee — or up to $20,000 for a marathon with 10,000 competitors.

Major vendors include chip company ChampionChip of Nijmegen, Holland, and company Active.com of San Diego and Mika Timing of Cologne, Germany.

After introducing text messaging in 2005, the San Diego and Nashville marathons continued the practice of alerting fans last year because of the expense.

This year, both races plan an experiment with real-time tracking of phone-carrying runners in Global Positioning System, or GPS, technology, and they may replicate tradi-tional alerts and online tracking after turning in the results.

The updating adds a space-age twist to an event that datest dates to ancient Greece.

The modern race started at the reenactment of the battle of Marathon in 490 B.C., and early marathons consisted of dozens of runners at best.

Today’s larger races can feature 30,000 or more athletes, all having fans who want results quickly if not instantaneously.

Computer chips were introduced in the mid-1990s to replace results manually compiled from tags ripped from runners as they finished. They also serve as check- in points along a course, much like the Global Positioning System the U.S. Air Force uses as a calcula-tion the like the 1980 Boston Marathon, where Rosie Ruiz was crowned female champion after jumping into the race less than a mile from the finish line.

The biggest challenge is managing a complex system of electronics within a short amount of time, said Harald Mika, founder of Mika Timing, which serves the Chicago and about 200 other races a year.

"If you do have a problem, you’d better fix it within two minutes," he said.

In some cases, rubber mats aren’t placed correctly; in other instances, a timing company doesn’t send the information properly. A tracking of a phone number or e-mail service blocks messages as spam, although race officials try to notify companies that tens of thousands of e-mails may be run-ning on race day.

While the systems can misfire, sending blank or delayed messages, they can also work too well — coldly updating friends with the details of a poor race.

That’s a lesson Valco learned as stomach cramps slowed her time in New York. The chip, she realized, added insult to injury.

"Even while on the New York course I was thinking, ‘Everyone in Columbus just wants to know how a race I had hoped it would be, she said."

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Gap between space flights worries NASA

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida (AP) — Sometimes in 2010, the world's leading space-exploring nation will say goodbye to manned space flight for more than four years.

And that has U.S. policymakers worried.

The flight gap will occur because NASA is winding down its space shuttle program near the end of 2010 to move into the phase next of space exploration — the moon and Mars. The next-generation spacecraft, the Orion capsule, won't be ready for manned flight until March 2015.

During those gaps years, the United States must rely on the good will of other nations if it wants to send astronauts and cargo to the international space station.

"Who knows what the geopolitics is going to be like in 2015?" asks U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, the Florida Democrat who chairs the Space, Aeronautics and Related Sciences subcommittee. "Is Russia still going to be allied with us? Would they possibly be allied with China at that point?"

The space agency has been in this position before. There was a 20-month gap after the last Apollo flight in 1979 and the first shuttle flight in 1981.

In the meantime, NASA will have to pay hundreds of millions of dollars to Russia for a lift to the space station, although private companies also may be hired to trips to low-Earth orbit.

"It is not a very desirable situation," said John Logsdon, director of the Space Policy Institute at George Washington University. "We will have an orbiting destination that we have spent millions of dollars of U.S. taxpayer money to develop. To not be able to get there except for the good will of others is a little ironic."

NASA fears the United States will risk losing its title as the leading spacefaring nation as Europe, Japan, China and India improve their ability to send humans and cargo into space during the gap years. Currently, the only three nations with vehicles able to fly people to space are Russia, China and the United States.

NASA Administrator Michael Griffin recently told law-makers that China's ambitious space program could feasi-bly beat the United States in the race back to the moon and beyond, although he and outside experts say there's no indication yet that China is on that path.

The gap also could add to a loss of interest in space exploration by the U.S. public and Congress, and that could diminish the resources allotted to the space agency, said W. Henry Lambright, a political science professor at Syracuse University.

"It's really important for NASA to have activity, to keep going, to constantly have a face in Washington based on their successes," Lambright said.

Griffin recently called the gap "unnecessary," but he has few options with the budgets NASA has been given by the White House and Congress since President Bush first proposed it in 2004. NASA has put the cost of returning to the moon at $104 billion, although the General Accounting Office puts it at $198 billion through 2018.

"Space is not only not a high priority, it's hard to keep it on the radar screen for the White House right now," Lambright said.

NASA had hoped to have the first manned Orion flight as early as 2012. That was a low-orbit test flight. But that goal was pushed back to 2014 because NASA had to raid the Orion development fund to fill in a $3 billion shortfall for finishing space station construction and ending the shuttle program. Repairs to NASA buildings dam-aged by Hurricane Katrina also skimmed off money.

Space agency officials said the 2007 budget would remove more than $500 million from what NASA had budgeted for developing the new space craft, pushing the first manned flight of Orion into 2015. A moon landing is scheduled for no later than 2020.

"In the next five years, we will not see this again," said L. Worden, Michael Griffin, of a planning consultant, and Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, this month proposed increas-ing NASA's funding by $1 billion. Mikuli also called for a space summit between Congress and the White House to raise the tax on the 2009 and 2010. NASA's budget request for 2008 is $17.3 billion.

During the last gap in space flight, which ended in 1981, the agency had a brain drain in which experienced engi-neers and technicians left for other opportunities and "essentially, the manned space program went off the radar screen," Lambright said.

"If you don't fly for four or five years, people become stale," Griffin said. "Very good people end up moving into other enterprises where there is more action. Facilities degrade. It's not a good thing."
Dear Sexpert: I graduate in May—how do I meet people to date now that I’m out of the J&W scene? Do I have to get on Match.com?

Answer: Good question. And no, you don’t have to get on Match.com. Adults can still meet people when they go out, through friends or co-workers, or any other ‘old-school’ way people meet. Match.com and other sites can make meeting people a little easier and faster, but they cost money and not everyone will find love online. If you are curious about matchmaking in cyberspace, get online and check it out before you commit to six months at $19.99 a month!

If you do get online, you’ll find huge diversity in people using these sites. You’ll find executives, young artists, busy doctors, divorcees, recent graduates, or just about anyone over 18. Match.com is, by far, the largest network with the most advertising, and even Dr. Phil is standing by to help you find your soulmate. E-harmony.com attracts no-nonsense users because of its “free personality profile” that leads to “truly compatible matches,” ideally allowing you to circumvent disastrous experiences. Craigslist.com is free, basic with no thrills (posting only), and has something for everyone, clearly directing you where you want to look: men seeking women, men seeking men, women seeking men, or women seeking women. OkCupid.com is hip, edgy, and free and you’re more likely to find a higher percentage of tattooed cuties and pierced musicians surfing through its artsy, smart profiles. And these are just a few of them, there’s a lot more out there.

After you’ve looked around, there are a few things to consider before you actually get online, enter your credit card number, and create a profile. First, you’ll have to budget for them. They all have different fee structures, but you can assume it will cost about $20 a month. Second, consider how you want to design your profile; you will be presenting yourself to thousands of people who may not ever get to meet the real you, so be strategic—and honest—about this. Also, keep in mind that the objective of these sites is more specific than myspace.com or facebook.com and they are purposefully designed to meet people to date, not to communicate to your social network. Beware that not everyone will be as honest as you, and they might not really look like that picture or have that $150K+ income.

Third, be safe! Don’t post identifying information or pictures you wouldn’t want everyone to see. Because so many people are on these sites, it’s not uncommon for a family member, neighbor, or co-worker to run across your profile! Fourth, know how to use the site. Most of these sites have unique features that can help make them easier to navigate. You may be able to enter search criteria (age, location, race/ethnicity, income, eye color, education, etc.), be able to block certain people, save your favorites, or politely decline an invitation, etc., by choosing a generic, “no thank you.”

For the internet-savy professional that doesn’t have a lot of time to go on dates, these sites can help save time and energy. For folks who may not be comfortable communicating online or posting a profile, these sites may not be a good fit. It’s up to you to decide how you want to meet people. But, you certainly don’t have to be online to meet a person to date—even if you are leaving J&W. Some things, like meeting a real person in real time at a coffee shop will never go out of style.

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Friday: 8:30am – 4pm

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BY DAN BOOTH
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

The Johnson & Wales University men’s tennis squad posted a 6-3 victory against Norwich in a Great Northeast Conference contest. The Shapiro Fieldhouse on the road on Saturday afternoon. The Wildcats went 3-1 singles action en route to the 6-3 victory. Johnson & Wales junior Stuart Fodiman (Oakville, Conn.) picked up a 6-1, 6-2 victory against Nathan Chang at No. 1 singles and teamed with senior Dan Silber (Woodcliff Lake, N.J.) to pick up an 8-2 win at No. 1 doubles. Silber also posted a win at No. 2 singles for the Wildcats, defeating Sean Wolf 6-2, 6-1.

BASEBALL

The Wildcats have won four of their last six contests and are sitting in fourth place in the league standings. Senior captain Alex Harley (East Hartford, Conn.) leads the team in nearly every offensive category, posting a .425 batting average with 25 runs, 25 RBI, six home runs and 15 stolen bases. Junior Brad Jackson (Setauket, N.Y.), named to the GNAC Honor Roll for April 3rd, is hitting .360 on the year with nine runs and 14 RBI while junior Mike Manley (Verona, N.J.) checks in with a .345 average, 11 runs and 12 RBI. As a team, the Wildcats are batting .293 while scoring over six runs per game. Junior Greg Byron (West Kingston, R.I.) has posted a 2-1 record with a 2.75 ERA and 15 strikeouts while fellow junior Erik Hufnal (Sykesville, Md.) boasts a 2-0 mark with a 3.00 ERA and a team-best 29 strikeouts in 18 innings of work.

SOF T BALL

Senior Amanda Lothrop (Bridgewater, Mass.) leads the team in hitting with a .385 average, nine runs, 10 RBI and a perfect 5-for-5 in stolen bases. Junior Kerry Cotter (North Haven, Conn.) is hitting .312 with five runs and six RBI while sophomore Kirsten Griffis (North Haven, Conn.) is chipping in with a .296 record and a team-best 13 runs on the year. On the mound, senior Allison Winslow (Milford, N.H.) has made a team-best 15 appearances posting a 2.96 ERA and a better than 2-to-1 strikeout-to-walk ratio. She recorded 13 strikeouts in the setback against Curry on Tuesday, upping her season total to 56.

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