Welcome, new Lawrentians

by Jesse Augustyn
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We know that you have been welcomed by a lot of people so far. We also know that you are probably pretty numb to it by now. Regardless, we want to offer our sincere welcome to the pile. If you're reading this, you've survived at least two days in your new home. What now? Now comes the ridiculed, yet highly underrated self-discovery you'll be entrenched in for the next four years.

To start off, you can learn a great deal about yourself from your reaction to Welcome Week activities. Either you're the kind of person who said, "A get-together in the Rec center where I get to meet new people? Sign me up!" or "Please, don't let another stranger touch me." Some of you may have even expressed, "I already on the merry road to self-discovery. Perhaps you're very happy with your behavior, but if you're not happy with how you reacted, there's good news. You have virtually no chance of remaining the same as you are now by the time you graduate.

And this is the point. President Warch made it in his Convocation and it's so true we're echoing it here; if you are the same person after four years of education, then Lawrence has failed. If you go through the motions, attend classes, events, etc., but do not truly reflect, then you have failed, regardless of grade point average or honors projects.

You may not realize it now, but graduation will sneak up on you in the blink of an eye. We implore you to use your short time here wisely, not just going through the motions, but truly learning about what you study, where you live, and yourself. If you do this, the student loans won't seem quite so hefty for what you have received.

Hiett Hall welcomes its first class

by Andy Dolan

The new residence hall on campus has officially opened for the 2003-2004 school year and is already being hailed as a success by many students. Sean Grady, a junior, notes, "After spending a summer in Plantz, I am pleased with how refined my new accommodation is. I am pleased with how exquisite my new accommodations are. Now I never have to leave my room again."

The $15.3 million residence hall is located behind Ormsby Hall and overlooks the Fox River. The 79,500 square foot structure offers housing for 185 students in either 2-person or 4-person suites. Each suite includes bedrooms, one or two bathrooms, and a common living area. Three of the four floors have large central kitchens, complete with microwaves, a refrigerator, and oven. All floors have lounge areas and cable TVs. Laundry facilities and vending machines are located on the first floor.

It is the first residence hall built on campus since Kohler Hall was completed in 1967. Sophomore Rodrigo Ferreira notes, "This is the first residence hall at Lawrence where the rooms do not resemble that of a monastery. I can't wait until they renovate the rest of the halls and theme houses."

Hiett Hall is reserved for upperclassmen only, which had previously been the case in Sage Hall. freshmen will now be able to live in Sage.

The dorm is named after Kim Hiett Jordan, class of '38, a member of the board of trustees, who donated a large sum of money to aid in its building. Jordan was also noted in the 1999-2000 Development Report as a generous supporter of Science Hall, which was dedicated in October 2000.

In an interview with The Lawrentian last year, President Warch noted that the building of the new dorm was a big step in improving student life. He stated that preliminary plans were being discussed for renovations and improvements in already existing student housing, but could not give a time table as for when renovations would occur and stressed that these potential improvements were still far in the future.

Staff Editorial

WLFM: Student Radio

by Cene Ketchum
For the Lawrentian

WLFM has been broadcasting to the Fox Valley for almost 50 years, and currently has student programming from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Monday through Friday, 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Saturday, and has specialty programming from noon to 10 p.m. on Sundays.

WLFM is looking for students who are interested in independent music of all kinds, including indie, punk, electronic, hip-hop, experimental, old-time country and bluegrass, blues, classical, and jazz.

No previous DJ experience or an extensive record collection is necessary. WLFM has a large library of CDs and records, and receives dozens of new releases each week. All that is required is a passion for music, and the willingness to work to put on a great show each week.

Watch for signs announcing an informational meeting soon. If you have questions, please contact this year's station manager, Lauren Semivan.

College Republicans

by Jon Horne
For the Lawrentian

The College Republicans work to promote conservative principles of a free market, limited government, and individual freedom and responsibility. We work with the Outagamie County Republican Party and the Wisconsin College Republicans to help elect Republican candidates for local, state, and national offices, and we host speeches and facilitate discussion of Republican principles on campus.

In past years, the CRs have had the opportunity to see George W. Bush and have hosted presidential candidate Alan Keyes, as well as political pundit Star Parker. Last year, the organization hosted a lecture by Ray Buchanan, a regular contributor to several cable news programs. Her lecture, "The Failures of Feminism," was followed by a reception where students and community members were invited to discuss the issues of the speech with Ms. Buchanan.

In one of our last events of the school year, the CRs competed against the campus leftist organization in a kickball game. We look forward to repeating our 34-14 spanking of the left again this spring.

Stop by our booth at the Activities Fair for more information. We meet Tuesdays at 10:00 p.m. in the Sage Lounge.
**Ariel Yearbook Hillel/Chavurah**

by Jonathan Edwards

For the Lawrentian

Since 1987, the Ariel has been produced by the Lawrentian as the university yearbook. Like the Lawrentian, it is an entirely student-written, designed, and distributed extracurricular activity. The Ariel is published in the full fall of the academic year, and is distributed free of charge to every returning student and mailed to graduates.

The much-anticipated 2003 edition will be mailed to graduates in November. The 2004 edition, however, is up to you. Ariel editors Jonathan Kaimets and Jonathan Edwards, along with much of the 2003 staff, have either graduated or will be off-campus this year. Thus, the Ariel relies on its returning editors and new staff members.

Fortunately, perhaps, part-time employment has helped Zneigle to volunteer for Ariel. Zneigle has volunteered to give the Ariel the direction it needs. Zneigle has a revolutionary new vision for Ariel: “For over a hundred years, Zneigle said in his interview, the ‘Ariel has been doing the same old thing—capturing photos, taking great pictures, you, ya da, ya da. It’s time for something new, something different—something with ZENSY!’”

Puhget about the Lawrence Yearbook’s time for the Lawrence Earbook!” As he shouts this, he jumps to his feet, and stands on his chair.

Zneigle, who can be cru st crossing a sidewalk a block by block, with a guad and a daughter, can’t be blamed. The Guinness World Record for “most beautiful and deeply-rooted Jewish Traditions” was an explanation for his speech. Hopefully, some body who’s competent and at home in the normal will step up and take over.

“They better,” he snarled, “or there won’t be a yearbook!”

And that’s the way the cookie crumbles. If you have experience in high-quality photography using SLR cameras, graphic design and layout, writing, or artmanship, please help the Ariel’s yearbook out! Drop by at the activities fair on Oct 5, or come to the first meeting: THURS, 9:25, 8:30pm.

There are a few more things to make the yearbook great, or at least better than this article.

**LU Christian Fellowship**

by Stacy Anderson

For the Lawrentian

Lawrence Christian Fellowship is a student-led campus community of Christian students and faculty working to glorify God and to serve the Lawrence campus. The group draws men and women from diverse areas of study, extracurricular activities, and backgrounds and traditions. As they participate in LCF activities and local churches, these individuals find unity around the person and word of Jesus Christ.

LCF often plans one-time events, like a root beer kegger, movie night, prayer vigil, campus outreach speaker, or Christmas party. The core of the fellowship, however, comprises committed, born-again believers who gather regularly, and sometimes spontaneously, to study scripture, pray, and to grow in and through their Christian faith.

For more information, or to be added to the LCF email list, contact Jacob Zittel (409 Colman, x 6772), or Camille Shock (409 Colman, x 7467), or visit the LCF webpage: www.lawrence.edu/org/lcf. LCF is a chapter of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, an interdenominational organization reaching college students around the world.

**Amnesty International**

by Peter Iversen

For the Lawrentian

Amnesty International is an international organization that campaigns to prevent human rights abuses. Members of Amnesty International have written pens to protest to heads of state or government leaders in positions of power. Ten percent of the fee letters are sent the world over to each head of state to demand the release of political prisoners. The success of Amnesty is indisputable in freeing those who are unjustly detained or unfairly imprisoned. In the past, Lawrence’s chapter has worked on some high profile cases internationally as well as locally. Recently, Lawrenceans helped pass the Custodian Misconduct Law, which makes it illegal for prison guards to sexually abuse inmates. This year the Amnesty group will be working to free a Syrian named Maman al-Humasi for merely promoting a more democratic society. In addition to campaigning against human rights abuses, Amnesty works to proliferate knowledge about the gross violations of human rights abuses, and protect the human rights abuses of the world today. Amnesty will bring to campus people who have experienced discrimination or violence at the hands of governments. Petition driven, and sometimes even a petition worth the lives of those who are unjustly detained or unfairly imprisoned. To be part of this organization, make a difference contact Peter Iversen at iversenp@lawrence.edu.
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Assignments are usually given Thursday night or Friday morning and are due either Monday or Tuesday. Editorial and opinion pieces are due by Monday by 5 p.m. More details are available in our masthead. If you are interested in working on the newspaper, please e-mail us with your name and contact information, as well as what you are interested in at lawrentian@lawrence.edu, or call X768 and ask for Jessie or Ray. You can also stop by our table at the activities fair.

SOUP: Student Organization for University Programming

by Andrea Hendrickson & Anne Hyde

Welcome Freshmen! Are you interested in meeting and working with performers from all different venues? How about making decision about what kinds of entertainment come to Lawrence? If so, SOUP is the group for you! The Student Organization for University Programming is a group committed to providing the campus with awesome and diverse entertainment. We are responsible for planning everything from regular musical and comedy events in the Coffeehouse and Riverview Lounge to large-scale performances, such as those by Ben Folds and Lewis Black. SOUP also offers the opportunity to create some homemade programming and to help students plan performances of their own. Last year we filmed and showed our own version of Elimidate on campus.

Membership is open to all students. If you're interested, check out our activities fair. You're welcome to attend our meetings on Tuesday nights at 9:07pm in Haiti Hall 410B. Our first meeting of the year will be Sept. 30. We look forward to seeing you there! Also, check out our upcoming events!

by Eric Lanner

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Welcome Week Activities

by Peter Iverson

Welcome Week is in full swing! While V-Day may exist in order to raise both awareness and money to end domestic violence, hanging posters and having bake sales is far from what we are about. Each year V-Day produces Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues" with proceeds going to various charities. In the past two years, we have raised close to $8,000.00 for the local rape crisis center and other international organizations. We also campaign to increase self-esteem in children, as we believe that self-confidence is the first step in preventing abuse.

We welcome men and women into this liberating organization. For more information, contact Sadie Weber.

For the Lawrentian

by Jessie Augustyn

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Government club
by Sarah Leet
For the Lawrentian

Welcome new students! Although you may still be "unenced" on your path here at Lawrence, chances are you have interest in various aspects that you like to explore.

Are you passionate about politics? Are you working in Washington, D.C.? Determined to make a change in this country or the world? Possessed by foreign language and international relations and interested in exploring a foreign language and would like to put it to use in the diplomatic world?

Perhaps you are intrigued by some aspect of the legal arena, or want to research trends in America's political history? Maybe you went up watching CNN. If any of these apply to you, please feel free to join us at the Government Club!

Government club is open to any member of the Lawrence community who is interested in current events and other discussion topics that relate to the political world, both domestic and international. In addition, by connecting current students to Lawrence alumni who hold governmental or political positions, Government Club helps students explore their individual interests. Plus, at the weekly Government Club Tea, there is always free food! Keep a look out in Briggs for signs announcing our first meeting of the year. Good luck during your first year here at LU! If you have any questions or want to join the e-mail list, please feel free to contact either myself, at sarah.e.leet@lawrence.edu or Professor Steve Wulf of the Government Department at steven.wulf@lawrence.edu.

LU Improv Trope
by Zach Johnson
For the Lawrentian

LUIT is the abbreviation for the Lawrence University Improvisational Troupe, the comedy theater group that started this year by Zachary Johnson. LUIT is a ten member troupe that will be seen on various venues on campus, including Cloak Theater, the Coffeehouse, and the Theatre House, among others. We do a variety of improvisational work and will be experimenting with scripted-skit material, similar in style to Saturday Night Live. Primarily though, we reflect the improvisational standards held by Comedy Sports and traditional improv groups.

We are uncensored on most occasions and anything can happen in our shows. We rely on audience participation and the audience should expect to be a part of the fun at our shows.

To receive further information on how you can be involved with LUIT, please contact founder Zachary Johnson at zjohnson@lawrence.edu. Be sure to catch one of our many shows this year. It’s guaranteed fun!

Photo Poll

“What was your most exciting experience at Lawrence so far?”

Fellowship of Christian Athletes
by Jess Moser
For the Lawrentian

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, a national organization that seeks to further the kingdom of God, by providing an opportunity to learn about God and his son, Jesus Christ. FCA targets athletes, coaches, and anyone interested in the support of athletics as a means of reaching groups of people who already share something in common.

Though the national organization targets athletes in particular, FCA, especially on the Lawrence campus, is not exclusive to athletes. All students are welcome, and in the past, the group has been composed of students and faculty who have a wide variety of beliefs and interests and attend to celebrate, learn, explore their curiosity, and increase their knowledge of God.

FCA is student-led, and we plan around the needs and desires of the group. We welcome input from members and seek to make the group what everyone wants it to be. In the last few years, FCA has met once a week for a time of praise and worship, prayer, and a discussion, speaker, or another activity. We have had the opportunity to welcome some wonderful speakers and meet with other groups from different universities.

We look forward to seeing how God will work in this group this year. We are interested in exploring more outreach opportunities and service projects, on and off campus. We are also looking forward to working in conjunction with other organizations and doing different activities in our weekly meetings.

We encourage you to drop by if you are looking for fellowship with other Christians or if you are curious about God. His existence, his role in your life, or anything else. FCA provides an environment for students to explore and deepen their faith and understanding of God through interaction with other students. We invite you to come and explore the ways in which God is alive and working on this campus!

PALS: Pioneers and Lawrentians
by Leah Sinn
For the Lawrentian

Pioneers and Lawrentians is a volunteer-based organization that gives students an opportunity to socialize and interact with elderly individuals.

Students go to a retirement home called Pioneer Village. It houses around 16 elderly individuals. Many of the residents do not have close friends or relatives. There is free transportation through Lawrence’s bus program and it is also within walking distance.

We will have a meeting at the beginning of the year. We will also have a getting-to-know-you session at Pioneer Village where you can meet your future "Pal." Throughout the year there are group activities and parties. All are welcome to come and explore the ways in which God is alive and working on this campus!