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Manhattan District Attorney Opens Discussion on Cyber Warfare At Pace

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Feature Writer

Speaking to a crowd replete with suits and distinction, Cyrus Vance Jr., District Attorney for Manhattan, delivered a message in Willcox Hall grave in implication but hopeful in outlook: Globally, we are unprepared to defend against cyber warfare, but have tools to stem the bleeding until we find a lasting solution.

In 2017, as of October 3rd, there are reported to be 1,056 breaches globally that have exposed 171 million records, the highest number in the past 10 years save 2009, where 222.5 records were exposed, according to the Identity Theft Resource Center.

"We have all these major sectors being hit,"

yet they are "not sharing this cyber [attack] data with each other," says Vance.

Between 2015 and 2017, over double the average amount of records have been stolen, with 169.1 and 171 million being reported respectively over the average of 82.56 million records a year since 2007. Paired with the 1,056 breaches we've had in 2017, well over the average 642 breaches per year, a growing trend becomes clear.

"Publicly, we need to have more dialogues like this. There is no reason why we shouldn't be having these types of collaborative conversations," says Lesley A. Massiah-Arthur, Associate Vice President of Government Relations and Urban Affairs at Fordham University.

"It's what do you do



Cyrus Vance Jr., District Attorney for Manhattan discusses cyber warfare. Photo by Katie Robustelli

after the conversation, I think, [that] becomes the difficult thing," she said. "How do we put flesh to the bones?"

According Manhattan DA Vance Jr., there aren't any lasting fixes, or 'flesh', that we've developed yet with the "same old ways,"

not "[cutting] it." Instead, he offers a temporary fix through an organization which he is a member of,

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Some Students Find New Homes in Alumni Hall

SEANE BROWNE
Editor-in-Chief

In September, students moved into their new rooms in Alumni Hall. Now a month later, some students will be moving again.

Over the summer, some students who were assigned “doubles” which means two people to a room, were forced to be “tripled”, which is three people to a room.

This past week Alumni hall began the process of de-tripling students into different rooms.

Pace freshman Andrea Zambrano Toldeo was one of the students assigned to a triple, and she was anything but pleased with being tripled.

“I was very upset and I was very mad,” Zambrano Toldeo said. “When I wanted a double I should have gotten a double. I expected to have space and stuff like that and I couldn’t, so that made me very upset.”

Zambrano Toldeo biggest complaint with being tripled was the fact that the room was not big enough for three people, and it was a constant struggle to have enough space.

Also, Zambrano Toldeo



Some students in Alumni Hall are moving to a new room despite it only being October. Photo by Katie Robustelli

says that she was never told directly that she was going to be tripled

“In the summer I got an email of the names of my roommates,” Zambrano Toldeo said. “So I actually did not get anything saying that I was going to be in a triple, they told me I was going to be in a double. But when I saw the name of my roommates I saw that there were going to be three roommates instead of two, so I put it all

together.

Dr. Lisa Bardill Moscaritolo, Associate Vice President & Dean for Students at Pace University, says that there is a heavy demand for on campus housing at Pace especially since the Briarcliff campus closed as well as they’re not being any off-campus housing in Pleasantville.

“Are goal was to get everyone on one campus,” Bardill Moscaritolo said.”

We always know that we are going to have some triples.”

According to Bardill Moscaritolo, Pace decides the tripling process based upon when students sign up for housing.

“How we do housing is based on the deposit date,” Bardill Moscaritolo said. “So we tell the students the earlier you get your deposit in the earlier you get the housing that you want.”

Bardill Moscaritolo says

that students who are tripled to get a deduction in their housing bill, and she said that there have been instances where students have decided to stay tripled because that student may enjoy having two roommates, and if they decide they still get the deduction in housing.

According the Pace housing website, students who are tripled could each receive up to a \$1000 credit to their university account.

Manhattan District Attorney Discusses Cyber Warfare

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the Global Cyber Alliance until we can find a solution globally and cooperatively.

The Global Cyber Alliance, centered in midtown Manhattan in Bloomberg Tower, is a non-profit start-up aimed at providing comprehensive security to larger businesses,

and toolkits to smaller businesses, to protect from common forms of cyber-crime such as email phishing.

As businesses themselves, public and private universities are prone to these attacks as well. According to Assistant Vice President of Government and Community

Relations at Pace, Vanessa J. Herman, Pace doesn’t see themselves as an exception to this trend.

“We are doing everything we can [at] Pace, like every other university, to be smart in our approach and make sure that there are procedures in place” Herman had to say of the digital protection Pace

seeks to provide.

“To make sure everyone’s data is protected, not just students’ but faculty, students, staff, alums’, parents’ information,” she said. “I think that’s something not only every university, but every big business has to deal with when you’re doing business in the world today.”

In the future, Herman hopes to continue the discussion about privacy and digital protection locally by “[having] productive conversations about these things and [about] how best to move forward,” she said. “and how best to do that with the incredibly bright students we have here at Pace.”

No More *New York Times*

EMILY BRESNAHAN
Feature Writer

You may have noticed empty shelves throughout campus where *The New York Times* used to be, but there is a reason for that. Administration had noticed a lack of readership for the otherwise popular newspaper, with stacks left unread at the shelves every day. It was unclear why the papers were still being provided if students did not seem to care if it was there. Therefore, at the start of this academic year, the shelves were empty, with no paper in sight.

To provide *The New York Times* to Pace University students, it would cost the university around \$4,000 to \$5,000 each semester. With recent university-wide budget cuts “it just wasn’t cost effective,” stated Student

Government Association President Julian Alston, “it was a big chunk of our budget coming out.”

The actual decision to cut the circulation of the *New York Times* came from the New York City Student Government Association, which also saw a decline of readership on campus. Their decision affected both campuses, but there have been few complaints since the big change.

Many students on campus weren’t aware *The New York Times* was even available on campus, due to the influx of news available online. You can even get students access to *The New York Times* online for \$1.00 a week, which allows students who did enjoy reading the paper to get their own copy, right on their laptop or phone.



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Pace Holds First Generation Social

STEFANO AUSENDA
Feature Writer

Last week, the Center for Student Development & Campus Activities (SDCA), in collaboration with The Center for Community Action and Research (CCAR), hosted their second annual “First Generation Social” in the Kessel Multipurpose Room.

There was an estimated 40 students and 15 faculty members in attendance. During this event, each student and professor chose one of four colored name tags, and then mingled with a person or group of people with the same color.

However, by the end, everyone was so comfortable with each other, that the name tags didn’t really matter.

“This is an event where Pace undergrads, Pace faculty, and Pace alumni who



Faculty and students conversing at the First Generation Social. Photo by Katie Robustelli

are the first in their family to go to college come and gather for social connections,” said Heather Novak, from CCAR.

“The fact that staff members took the initiative

to create this type of event shows how much dedication they have to connect a variety of students; from different demographics, but in different instances. In this specific instance, it’s

first-generation students,” said Zikomo Barr, the new Coordinator for Leadership Initiatives in SDCA. “This event has not only given first-generation students a chance to come and identi-

fy with other students and faculty on campus, but also to help them realize that they’re not the only ones in the struggle, and they can get inspired to finish their degree.”

Robert Channing Performs at Family Weekend

ADIBA SIKDER
Feature Editor

Students and their families were blown away on Friday during a performance by Robert Channing for *Family Weekend* in Gottessman.

Students and family members received a blank index card upon entering Gottessman after checking in for an act in Channing’s performance.

The entire room was filled with silent students and parents before Channing started his performance. However, his performance made the crowd more animated and social.

In order to make his act

more inclusive, Channing asked parents and students to assist him on stage and follow the specific instructions he gave out.

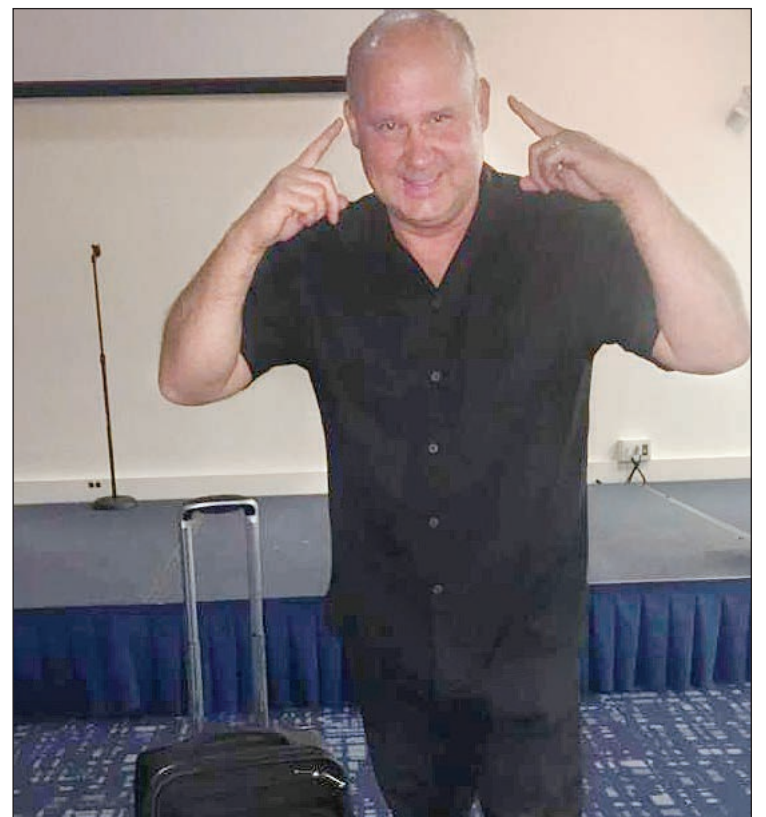
For his first act, the America’s Got Talent participant asked a parent in the audience to pretend he is taking out change from his pocket and guessed the exact amount of change that the parent was thinking of.

“I thought the performance was really cool. The first act completely blew my mind because it’s not even real. It’s just a thought in someone’s head. How did he do that?” said Andrew Giodarno, a parent at Family Weekend.

For his second act, Channing asked two members of the audience to completely blindfold him using heavy duty tape and an actual blindfold in order to completely block out light. Then he asked them to collect obscure objects from the audience and was able to guess every single object perfectly.

Some parents that came in were initially not amused because they believed that there has to be some kind of device hidden away giving him hints of all the information that he was going to guess. However, after his performance, they were amazed.

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Robert Channing. Photo by Adiba Sikder

Stephanie Simoes: The Motivation Behind a Nursing Student

ADIBA SIKDER
Feature Editor

At a first look, Stephanie Simoes, a second-year nursing student, may seem introverted because of the way that she wrings her hands when she speaks.

However, when she talks about nursing and the nursing program at Pace, her eyes light up and she becomes animated as she talks about her future as a successful nurse.

Simoes made the decision to transfer into the nursing program last year because she wanted to be able to pursue her passion despite the fear of not being able to make it through the program.

"I've always wanted to be a nurse in the back of my mind. I doubted myself because I didn't get into the nursing program at Pace the first time," said Simoes.

She believes that nursing program is difficult from her own experience, but that it can be done, if students com-

mit their time to studying and learn how to manage their time.

According to Simoes, students can only fail out of two classes before being kicked out of the program and there is a one year wait time for every class that they fail. Additionally, students are only allowed to retake a class once.

"A lot of students that should have graduated already haven't because they have to wait a whole year to retake a class," said Simoes.

Although the nursing program is so rigorous, what keeps Simoes so motivated is her experience with patients and how she feels when she is able to provide excellent care for people that are in pain.

She recalls her experience volunteering at a hospital when she was in high school and her first experience interacting with a patient.

"I was reading a lunch menu to her because she had a hard time seeing. She con-

fused me for an actual nurse because I had scrubs on and she appreciated it so much. It was a small moment but I was so happy that I made her feel good," said Simoes.

Simoes believes that her parents played a big part in her being able to take on the nursing program. She is the first in her family to go to college and receive a formal education which put a lot of pressure on her need to succeed.

"Explaining certain parts of my college career can be difficult because they don't understand everything, but they just want me to succeed and have everything that they don't have," said Simoes.

She believes that anyone that has a perception that they cannot succeed in the nursing program should at least try, if they truly want to be a nurse.

"Just stop overthinking and take the steps to be a nurse," said Simoes. "The difficulty level is all in your head and it can be manageable."



Nursing student Stephanie Simoes. Photo courtesy of Stephanie Simoes

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"It's a little scary how he did it. There's no way he could have known the exact model of my car from my car keys. He didn't even touch them and he guessed it within seconds," said Tom Paulsen, a parent at Family Weekend.

For his final act, Channing asked the audience to answer questions on the index cards that were handed out at the start of the event and was

able to say exactly what the audience wrote, what they were wearing, their name, and made a prediction about their future.

"I've always wanted eight kids in the future. He said I'm going to have eight kids. Isn't that insane? It feels unreal," said Maura McCarthy, a junior at Pace.

Several students were confused about how Channing was able to pull off the performance without any help at all.

"I've always been amazed by mentalists, but I just think it's amazing how they do it. People shouldn't ask to find out though, it takes away the magical feeling from it," said Rachel Hyatt, a junior at Pace.

At the end of the event, families and students were socializing with one another and shared their thoughts about the performance, which led Family Weekend to a successful start.

Is the Library a Good Source for Student Success?

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Feature Writer

This week's question probes the idea whether or not the library is a good source for student success. The Pace library states on the university's website that it "provides an impressive array of material and digital resources in support of classroom teaching, collaborative and interactive learning, independent study, scholarly research, and lifelong learning..."

So is it? I'm inclined to believe that it definitely is, here's why.

I believe that library is a great source for students to get studying done. Not just any studying, but effective studying. The first floor provides a social setting for group studying which is very beneficial because with college, comes those sometimes dreaded group assignments.

If you make your way up a level, the second floor provides a totally quiet zone, where only silent study is permitted and no talking is allowed. This is a place where I can always rely on getting all of my work done. It is an area, unlike the comfort of your dorm room, that provides zero distraction and 100 percent focus.

On the third floor, it is a place for minimal group discussion. Many athletes go to this area to complete their mandatory study hours for the week. A main attraction on the top floor is the tutoring center. Although the library has a few attributes as to why it's a great place for student success, the tutoring center is at the top.

It is a great service for students who are struggling in a certain class or classes. These tutors are comprised of undergraduate students and graduate peer tutors who specialize in multiple subject areas including accounting, economics, languages, sciences (biology, chemistry, physics), computing, mathematics, and more. You are able to walk in at any time they are open,



Photo courtesy of Pinterest.com

which is every day of the week except Friday and Saturday, and get a tutor's assistance if they are available, which they usually are. People can also make appointments on a weekly basis with tutors if they want to. The tutoring center is just one of those tools that the university community can take full advantage of and it is totally geared toward student success. With this tool, you have the chance to go beyond the classroom and learn more than what the teacher is providing you.

The library is not lacking when it comes to technology and all the devices that we use to enhance our learning. They provide a wealth of desktop computers for students to use, that are free of charge. If you're more of a Mac user, they provide those models too. There are also printers available for use that require a small charge, with the

use of your student ID.

Another great source at the library is the ITS Help Desk. You can go to them with any tech issue and they could help you. This technical support is available to all Pace students, faculty and staff experiencing any issues with Pace systems.

Sometimes we have to do research or just want additional knowledge for our classes and that is where the books come in to play. A building full of books can be really intimidating if you don't know where to look. But, Pace makes it really easy for us. The library provides a Reference desk for times of assistance, when we can't find something, need guidance, or have a question. On the web, they have a stock of scholarly journals and books. They say that this "provides an online gateway to users all over

the world." Also if you can't find what you're looking for online, the library will order it for you.

When it comes to midterm and final time, the library really cares about the students doing well. They support these stressful cramming periods by staying open for 24 hours and they also host events. These events are geared at totally de-stressing us. For example, they have dogs that provide animal-assisted therapy services come to help provide some stress relief during finals. They also have a coloring station set up to help relieve stress when you need a break from the textbooks.

We should all be grateful for the tools that Pace and the library provide to us, these tools are helping us succeed in little ways that can make big differences in the long run!

No Columbus Day Off!

JOSIAH DARNELL
Opinion Editor

Anytime we can get an excuse off from school, classes, or any type of work school related, we'll take it. That includes cancelled classes, school being shut down, but most importantly holidays.

Every student looks forward to holidays, no matter which one it is, just because we feel it should be an automatic day off. Regardless the holiday and regardless the significance of the holiday. Columbus Day is one of those holidays.

Students look to get Columbus Day off because we're looking for a day off in general and because other than the major holidays we celebrate it seems to be a pretty important one. That's the day Columbus discovered America. Even though it wasn't North America that he discovered, it's an amazing discovery nonetheless and we should honor that, as we've always done.

The interesting thing is that Pace has become more open-minded about

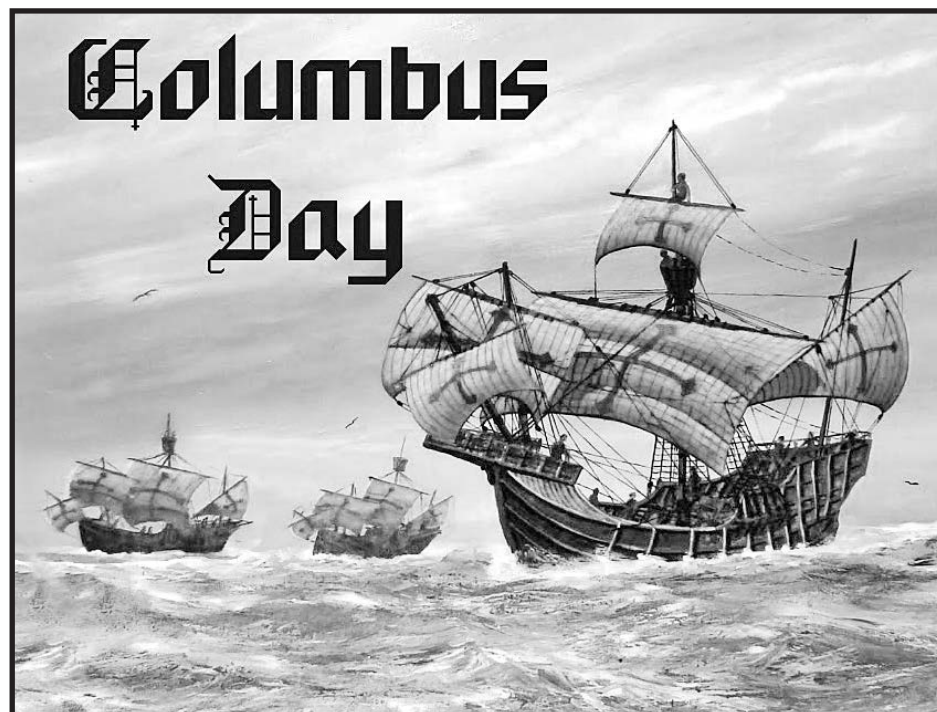
holidays and has given us some religion based holidays, out of respect for the culture and spiritual faith of its students.

Diwali is the Hindu Festival of Lights and will be celebrated on the nineteenth of October this year. This is one of those religious holidays the University is being open-minded about.

"I don't know what Diwali is but I know we're off that day," says Marc Arboleda, a sophomore at Pace.

Marc is just one of multiple people I asked about their knowledge on Diwali. I talked with senior Brian Gresalfi, and sophomore Isaiah Williams, and they both gave me the same answer. They didn't know what it was nor the significance behind it.

Now I'm not saying that Diwali is an unpopular holiday and most people don't know what its significant for that we shouldn't celebrate it. In fact, I'm saying the exact opposite. I'm saying let's have Diwali off and while we're at it, let's have Columbus Day off too. We know



what the holiday is and we know why it's a holiday.

Other private institutions in our area, Manhattanville College being one of them, have given their students off to celebrate Columbus Day. Pace is a private institution as well and I don't see why we can't abide by the same idea.

Being that we start school so late, it has an impact on how many days

we get off. Columbus Day seems to be one of those that was sacrificed. That is another problem as well. Starting school in September is great until we realize that the semester is over a couple of days before Christmas, and other schools are done by the second week in December.

A lot of changes have the potential to be made in the school calendar, but that'll be for another article.

Jhalen Bien-Aime: The Resiliency of Pace's Main Offensive Weapon

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major who currently ranks fourth in rushing yards in all of Division II football had quite a knack for the game.

After high school and a one-year stint at Bridgton Academy in North Bridgton, ME., Bien-Aime began his life at Pace in Fall 2014.

Following his freshman year, where he played mostly on special teams as a return specialist, Bien-Aime was poised to be a major part of the Setters offense as a sophomore. Then, he injured his foot in the second game of the year and missed eight of the next nine games remaining in the season. Any

dreams of making that much coveted second-year leap was shattered.

"It was extremely tough for me because coming into that point, I never missed a game and I don't think I even missed a practice before, so to just know your whole season is gone just like that was definitely tough," Bien Aime said.

After rehabilitation, Bien-Aime came back the next year with hopes of playing the whole season, but due to another injury he only appeared in three games. Bien-Aime's road to football greatness was halted once again, but not once did he think about quitting the sport.

"Nope, [quitting] never crossed

my mind," Bien-Aime said. "It was just another obstacle that I knew I was going to have to overcome."

And overcame he did, Bien-Aime came into 2017 with a vengeance and he is now one of the better offensive weapons in all the NE-10. The young man who looked up to NFL Hall of Famer LaDainian Tomlinson as a child has now racked up 788 yards from scrimmage in just five games.

When one goes to a Pace football game, they'll often hear the opposing team's fans shout, "They're giving the ball to number five."

Pace fans know it, the opposing

team's fans know it and every player on the field knows Bien-Aime is likely getting the ball, but he's rarely been stopped.

When a player averages 158 yards per game and wins multiple honors, it can easily go to their head. However, Bien-Aime has been through enough in life to know all of that can be snatched away in an instant, so he has no time to stop and smell the roses.

"The only attention I care about is the one I get from my teammates," he said. "If the guys in the locker room have my back and believe in me, then that's the biggest compliment."

Pace's Cross-Country Team's Run Towards Success

KWADAR RAY
Sports Editor

2017 has been quite the year for Pace athletics: The Field Hockey team is breaking records seemingly every time they step onto the field, Women's soccer has been successful and the football team is finally winning games.

However, one cannot look past Pace Men's and Women's Cross-Country teams, which has taken on a new look under first-year head coach David Robinson.

Coach Robinson has come to Pace after coaching for four years in Jacksonville and he says the transition has gone nicely.

"Things are going quite well, of course there is a transition getting accustomed to the university, but the kids are great," Robinson said. "I've definitely been welcomed with open arms. I feel like a Pace Setter at this point walking around campus."

Mariah Jno-Charles, who was earned All-NE-10 honors in 2016, says Robinson has been a great help to her and the entire team.

"Training is different, but it's a good thing and

we needed a change on our team," Jno-Charles said. "I think everybody's been benefiting from the new training, so I think that's been helpful a lot."

Sophomore Ricky Harris of the men's team shared a similar sentiment.

"I've had a big increase in mileage over the summer so that's helped a lot and coach's workout has helped and its beneficial and I'm starting to see the results in our time," Harris said.

Robinson has been impressed with not just Jno-Charles and Harris, but the entire team for their performance and adjusting to the different challenges this season.

"The biggest shift for our team really was getting into some competitive fields," Robinson said. "There's a lot of runners who have put down personal records, which is a great thing to see certainly this point in the season, but on top of that we're also stringing together a lot of quality races. So, there's been a lot of kinetic energy on the team that's finally coming forth."

The new mentality of the entire team is what has led to



Photo courtesy of Pace Athletics

an impressive season where the Setters are competitive and not finishing last in nearly every meet, which was a common theme in previous seasons.

"For the women's team, we see that coach is dedicated and invested, and instead of joining cross country to lose weight or to have fun, people are wanting to compete heavily," Jno-Charles said.

For the men's side, Harris sees the dedication of veterans on the team as a key to their success.

"We have mostly seniors on the team, so they have great experience," he said. "They're giving it all for their last season, and we're working hard to make it their best season ever also."

The veteran presence on both teams in 2017 has been significant, according to Robinson.

"It's been incredibly helpful, dare I say necessary, for them to be around just to allow the transition to go smoothly," he said.

On October 21, the Setters will be competing

in the NE-10 Conference Championship and Robinson believes the team will have an impressive outing, which has been lacking during past seasons.

"We have athletes who are not just giving it all, but stringing races together and that says we're a better team than last year's and we have results to prove it," he said. "We're excited to finally put it all together for that [Conference Championship] race and have the Pace community see the results of all the hard work they've put in."

Jhalen Bien-Aime: The Resiliency of Pace's Main Offensive Weapon

KWADAR RAY
Sports Editor

For most young kids who play sports, they are usually participating in it just to have an activity to do or perhaps to meet new friends. But how about the kids who were pushed to play sports to stay out of harm's way?

Hailing from the inner city of Boston, Ma., Pace Senior Jhalen Bien-Aime says without football, it would have been easy for him to get caught up in a different lifestyle.

"Being able to have football there and focusing on that, it kept me doing positive things," Bien-Aime

said.

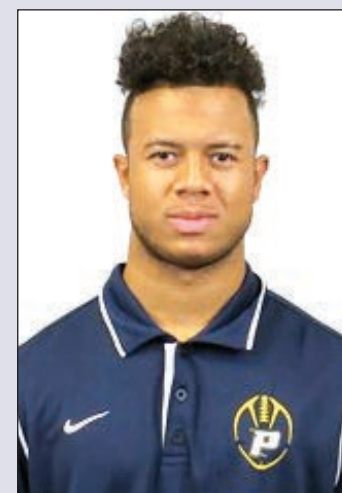
For Bien-Aime, it was his mother, Neddy, who influenced him to play.

"She was really the one who pushed me because she saw it as a way for me to do something positive at a young age," Bien-Aime said. "For the most part, my mother has done everything

for me in my life, so for me to not represent her in a positive way, I take that as being disrespectful, so I always try to think about her and make the right decisions."

While football was initially just a way for Bien-Aime to stay out of trouble, it turns out the Marketing

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Jhalen Bien-Aime. Photo Courtesy of Pace Athletics