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A Sharply Divided Race

A Recap of the Student Congress Presidential Debate

by Patricia E. Connolly
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The race for President of the 1992-93 Student Congress is sharply divided between two vastly different candidates. Their campaigns seem to run along traditionally opposed party lines; one acting as a Republican, working for the Administration and making changes from the inside; the other acting as a Democrat by attempting to reach out to the needs of the students. These views came head-to-head in the Presidential debate held Tuesday evening in '64 Hall.

The first candidate, junior Mark Ruggeri, is currently serving as president of Student Congress. Appearing polished in delivering his opening statement, Ruggeri described his

job as president: "One day I'm advising a student who was arrested off-campus; the next day, I'm consulting the Administration about a proposal; and the next day I'm discussing pertinent topics with other members of Congress."

Mark cited his experience as an asset: "One cannot just step into this office and take over."

He stressed that he does not rest on past achievements, but has constructed a clear-cut vision for the future.

The second candidate, junior Craig Frick, has served on Congress as class representative and he currently serves as class treasurer. Appearing friendly and comfortable, Frick opened up by stressing the need for new leadership. He believes that communication skills are vital: "The

job of President is to represent the students' point of view to the Administration, and not vice-versa as it has been."

His platform, "a unified Congress is a strong Congress," conveyed his intent to have members of Congress work together for the needs of the students.

Each candidate was asked, if elected, three things to which they would attend immediately next September. Ruggeri proposed the idea of hosting a neighborhood block party, where neighbors of the community and students can interact in a friendly atmosphere. "This effort on the part of the student body will serve as a starting block for improving relations by allowing both parties to overcome the fear of approaching each other."

He also cited controlling spending in the budget and the need for diversifying Congress.

Frick pointed out his main goals as taking steps to improve safety off-campus as well as working on improving off-campus relations. He also cited a tighter monitoring of the Treasury.

In closing, Frick reiterated the need for a unified Congress acting as a "strong, effective voice for the students." Ruggeri pointed out his past efforts in office, saying that "what is important is not something succeeded but something tried."

Overall, Ruggeri spoke from an informed, technical point of view of someone who has been there, while Frick appeared optimistic and enthusiastic, hoping to bring more vitality to a weary campus.

The Top Ten Reasons to Vote on Thursday, March 26th

10. You get very little opportunity to have a say in anything here, so you should jump at the opportunity.
9. It's easier than a Civ quiz.
8. We "gotta have" an election, so you might as well vote.
7. You're legal (for once!).
6. You go to Slavin anyway and what else are you going to do on a Thursday afternoon?
5. You never know who will be in line with you.
4. They can't reject your ID.
3. One vote makes a difference.
2. The line moves quicker than it does at other off-campus establishments!
and the number one reason to vote on Thursday is . . .
1. If you don't like the way things are (and if you don't vote), you can only blame yourself!

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... And Seniors Can Vote, Too!

by Kathryn A. Parrella
Congress Correspondent

It's Thursday afternoon, you've just sat through three consecutive marathons, and all you want to do is go home and crash before you prepare to go out for your Thursday night of bar-hopping. You stop by Slavin to check your eternally empty mailbox and spy a long line of students waiting next to the voting tables. Exhausted and impatient, you take one glance at the line and say to yourself, "Forget it—I don't have the time to wait in line, and my vote won't make a difference anyway."

STOP RIGHT THERE—THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE WRONG! By not utilizing your right to vote, you are doing a disservice not only to your school, but to yourself as well. Isn't waiting in line for a lousy few minutes a bargain price to pay in return for the chance to have a say in how this school is run? The candidates running for office are taking on the responsibility to represent every student at Providence College and they will have this responsibility for the entire 1992-93 school year. However, as a voting constituent, your only responsibility is to get in line and exercise your right to vote for the candidate you feel is best

qualified for a given position.

People around PC find it very easy to criticize how others, especially our elected officers, handle various situations. Every single student at this school is well within their rights to do this, but if you do not participate in this election by voting, you have no right to complain! Previous elections, both nationally, locally, and here at PC, have been won by a very slim margin of only a few votes.

Lastly, and most importantly, **SENIORS CAN VOTE, TOO!** I know all you members of the Class of 1992 are probably wondering why you should bother, since you won't be here next year. But as a current member of the PC student body, as well as soon-to-be alumni, you have just as much of a right to vote as any underclassmen. Not to mention, this is a service you owe to this school. Don't next year's students deserve to have just as good an experience as the one you've received?

So, if you do nothing else tomorrow, please remember to exercise that right that so many people in this world currently dream of. The voting table in Slavin will be open from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., and don't forget to bring your PC ID. You owe it to yourself and to your school!

VOTE!

**THURSDAY, MARCH 26TH
10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
LOWER SLAVIN**

Student Congress Presidential Candidates

#1 on the Ballot



Mark "Rugga" Ruggeri '93
Major: Business Management
Hometown: Dudley, MA
Previous Positions:
President—Congress
Class of '93 Vice President (90-91)
Class of '93 Representative (89-90)
Clubs/Organizations Chairperson
Safety/Security Committee
Commencement Committee
Diamond Jubilee Committee
Elmhurst Coalition

Through my experience as Congress President, I have built a rapport with the STUDENTS, the administration, and the faculty to get things done. Also, by serving on the Diamond Jubilee Committee, I have been involved in the planning process for next year. I hope to be re-elected to President so that I can use the knowledge which I have gained in my positions to continue to BENEFIT the STUDENT BODY.

#2 on the Ballot



Craig Erick '93
Major: Business Management
Hometown: Bethany Beach, DE
Previous Positions:
Class of '93 Treasurer (91-92)
Class of '93 Representative (90-91)
Student Representative to the
Presidential Standing Committee on
Alcohol Awareness

I consider myself fortunate to have been able to serve the class of '93 the past two years as Representative and Treasurer. I feel that I have gained the knowledge and experience necessary to lead the Student Congress during this upcoming year, which is an integral part of PC history, the 75th Anniversary. My goal is to bring a fresh leadership attitude into the office of President of Student Congress

Vice-Presidential Candidates

#1 on the Ballot



Jen Meehan '93
Major: Special / Elementary Education
Hometown: Dover, MA
Previous Positions:
Executive Secretary (91-92)
Student Rep to Faculty Senate (91-92)
Congress Rep. in Smith Hill Alliance (91-92)
Class of '93 Secretary (89-91)
Food Committee Chair (90-91)

*I am proud to have had the opportunity to work for and represent the Providence College student body for the past three years. If elected Vice-President, I will continue to voice your opinions and concerns because that is what Student Congress is all about—**you!***

#2 on the Ballot



Steve Ucci '93
Major: Business Management
Hometown: Johnston, RI
Previous Positions:
Lobbyist (91-92)
Bill of Rights Committee Chair (91-92)
Political Affairs Correspondent

Student Congress needs a leader who is not afraid to speak out. Vote for me and that's what you'll get!

#3 on the Ballot



Derrick Harris '93
Major: History
Hometown: Dayton, OH
Previous Positions:
Class of '93 Representative (91-92)
Finance and Legislative Affairs Comm.
President of Raymond Hall (90-91)

I will work hard to make the Student Congress more student involved. It is important that all classes vote, including the senior class, in order to make the right decisions. I will work hard to ensure that the student emphasis and goals are put back into Student Congress.

Secretarial Candidates

#1 on the Ballot



Julie Morgan '93
Major: English
Hometown: Weymouth, MA
Previous Positions:
Class of '93 Secretary (91-92)
Big Sister

Honest . . . responsible . . . hardworking . . . approachable . . . dedicated . . .

If you want these qualities in the executive secretary of your Student Congress, vote for me, Julie Morgan.

#2 on the Ballot



Jen Malane '94
Major: Business Administration
Hometown: New Canaan, CT
Previous Positions:
President of Aquinas (91-92)
Class of '94 Representative (90-91)
Course Description/Academic Affairs Committees
After serving a year on Student Congress and being President of Aquinas, I feel that I have the ability to serve the students of this school. I am a well organized, dedicated, enthusiastic student who will work for you if elected as Secretary of Student Congress.

#3 on the Ballot



Cherie Levesque '94
Major: Political Science
Hometown: Southington, CT
Previous Positions:
Congress Parliamentarian (91-92)
Legislative Affairs Chair (91-92)
Secretary of PC Young Republicans

I want to be the Secretary of Student Congress to voice the views of the student body to administration. I know the position of Secretary is one that involves hard work and dedication and I am ready to put the time and the effort necessary to make the 43rd Congress the best it can possibly be.

Treasurer Candidates

#1 on the Ballot



Lisa Walsh '93
Major: Accounting
Hometown: Ivyland, PA
Previous Positions:
Class of '93 Representative (91-92)
Public Relations Committee
BOP Social Committee Chair (91-92)

I really love being involved at PC! If elected Treasurer, I will do my best to meet the financial needs of all the classes and all the various clubs and organizations of the college. Through my experiences in Student

Congress and BOP and the skills I've acquired in accounting, I feel I'm the most qualified person to handle the responsibilities of this position! Remember: Don't Take Any Chances—Trust Lisa with Your Finances!

#2 on the Ballot



Pamela Collins '94
Major: Economics
Hometown: Worcester, MA
Previous Positions:
Class of '94 Treasurer (91-92)
Finance Committee
Public Relations Committee
IRW Liaison
Pre-Law Society
Pastoral Council

My personal goal as Treasurer is to see that the funds of the student body

are safeguarded to insure quality events and prevent fiscal irresponsibility. I have had the experience of being on the Finance Committee and understand the financial system, as well as allocations. I hope to continue to reform the financial system to prevent overspendings.

Board of Programmers (BOP) Intramural Athletic Board (IAB)

BOP Presidential Candidate

#1 on the Ballot



Scott M. Ellis '93
Dual Major: Finance/Business
Administration
Hometown: Woodbridge, CT
Previous Positions:
BOP Travel Chair (91-92)
BOP Publicity Chair (90-91)

I look forward to working with the students and the administration as we move towards Providence College's 75th anniversary. As President, I will strive to maximize our available resources and make the upcoming year the most effective and enjoyable experience P.C. has ever had.

BOP Treasurer Candidate

#1 on the Ballot



Gioia C. Perugini '93
Major: Art History
Hometown: Prospect, CT
Previous Positions:
BOP Treasurer (91-92)
Film Chair (90-91)

As Executive Treasurer this past year, I have gained valuable experience in working with the board, in a year which encountered heavy budget cut backs. I hope to be able to assist the board in managing budgets and cost-effective programming once again this year.

BOP Vice-Presidential Candidates

#1 on the Ballot



Tim Ridge '93
Major: English
Hometown: Arlington Heights, IL
Previous Positions:
Board of Programmers (91-92)
Congress Course Description (91-92)
Board of Programmers (90-91)
Residence Board (90-91)

For the past two years, I have served on the Film Committee for BOP. If you've been to the movies lately, you have probably seen me and my work. The 75th anniversary of PC is an important year for all of us and I know I have the ability, experience, and the time to do a great job for you and the school.

#2 on the Ballot



Kym Maas '93
Major: Marketing
Hometown: Mahopac, NY
Previous Positions:
BOP Lecture Comm. Chair (91-92)

Why ask why? There's a "y" in frozen yogurt, there's two "y"'s in yo-yo, there's a "y" in smiley, there's a "y" in you, there's a "y" in Kym. If you elect to put a "y" in BOP, I will represent "y"ou to the best of my abilities. Having been on BOP the last year has given me the opportunity to put my ideas into action for "y"ou the students. I hope to be given the opportunity to work on the BOP executive board to help program more great events, to learn new ideas for programming and keep "you" the students smiling.

#3 on the Ballot



Frank Orlowski '93
Major: Accounting
Hometown: Montvale, NJ
Previous Positions:
BOP Social Chair (91-92)
BOP Travel Chair (90-91)
Vice President Accounting Association

*I want to make the 75th Diamond Jubilee of Providence College a memorable and exciting year of programming. The 47 members of B.O.P. try hard to program events for the entire school. Judging from the poor attendance of past held events, student-wide feedback for future event planning is a MUST. If elected, entire student body involvement in programming will be priority one. **On election day make the Polish choice vote Orlowski for B.O.P. V.P.***

BOP Secretarial Candidates

#1 on the Ballot



Carrie Atkins '93
Major: Business Management
Hometown: Longmeadow, MA
Previous Positions:
BOP Travel Comm. Chair (91-92)
BOP Coffeehouse Com., Chair (90-91)

As a member of B.O.P. for the past two years, I have much to offer this position. Because this is the first year the B.O.P. secretary is elected, the choice is yours. This position is one that is both worthy and capable of expansion. So Thursday, VOTE CARRIE FOR SECRETARY. Why not? It rhymes.

#2 on the Ballot



Allison Lent '94
Major: Elementary Education
Hometown: Purchase, NY
Previous Positions:
BOP Coffeehouse Chair (91-92)
Bedford Hall Floor Rep. (91-92)

Through my experiences on B.O.P. this year, I know that it takes ability, dedication and enthusiasm to hold a position on the executive board. I know I possess these qualities and more to offer you and the school the best job I can do.

#3 on the Ballot



Karli Halaby '93
Major: Elementary/Special Education
Hometown: Trumbull, CT
Previous Positions:
BOP Program Chair

Since BOP is the only major club I'm involved in, I am able to give it 100% of my effort, time, and energy all of the time. I'd like to get more feedback from students so we know what events you'd like to see more (or less) of, and I'm confident that I have the organizational skills that a good secretary needs. So vote #3 on the ballot and I'll prove to you that bad things don't always have to happen in 3's.

Intramural Athletic Board Candidates

Presidential

#1 on the Ballot

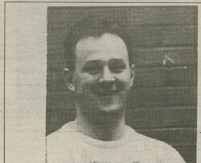


Stephen Crowley '93
Major: Marketing
Hometown: Garden City, NY
Previous Positions:

Three Year Member of IAB
I know that Mike Gill and I can take the intramural program one step beyond. Please participate in Supersports on April 25th.

Vice-Presidential

#1 on the Ballot



Mike Gill '93
Major: Finance
Hometown: Waltham, MA
Previous Positions:
Two Year member of IAB

I know together, Steve Crowley and I can take the intramural program where no program has gone before.

PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN SUPERSPORTS on April 25th.

ACC Presidential Candidates

#1 on the Ballot



Melissa Silva '94
Major: History
Hometown: Ludlow, MA
Previous Positions:
Residence Board President ('91-'92)
Congress Public Relations Committee ('91-'92)
Congress Student Life Committee ('91-'92)

My position on Residence Board this past year has helped me gain the experience that I need to be the Apartment Complex Council President. My enthusiasm and dedication has made Colonel's Corner very successful and I will use these qualities towards innovative programs in the Apartments.

ACC
Secretarial Candidate

#1 on the Ballot



Ann M. Babigan '93
Major: Political Science
Hometown: Shrewsbury, MA
Previous Positions:
ACC Secretary ('91-'92)
Committee on Academic Appeals
Big Sister

Next year will be my second year living in the apartments and second year as ACC Secretary. ACC has great potential to do a lot for the apartments and with this potential we, the residents of the apartments, will have a great year!!

#2 on the Ballot



Jeff Horn '93
Major: Business
Hometown: East Greenwich, RI
Previous Positions:
Friars Club
Big Brothers/Big Sisters

If elected ACC president, I will run more social functions and programs that will allow students to meet and interact with as many others as possible. Having lived in the on-campus apartments already, I know what types of programs are needed and which ones will be successful. I can make the next year the best year ever to live in the apartments by implementing new and different functions, guaranteeing everyone social success and an excellent time.

ACC VP. Candidate

#1 on the Ballot



Chris Cardinale '93
Major: Political Science
Hometown: Kingston, NY
Previous Positions:
Resident Assistant ('90-'92)
Admissions Ambassador ('90-'92)
Orientation Leader (Summer '91)
Varsity Baseball Assistant Coach

I hope to make the apartment complex more than just a place to live. There are a lot of possibilities for events and more apartment privileges that haven't been looked into. With the position of ACC VP-President, I can assure that the quality of life in the apartments will turn for the better.

ACC Treasurer Candidates

#1 on the Ballot



Kerri Reilly '93
Major: Marketing
Hometown: Easton, MA
Previous Positions:
Big Brother/Big Sister
JRW Ring Committee

The ACC can do a lot for the apartment residents. Next year will be my second year living in the apartments and I want to get more involved in what goes on there. I am outgoing, hardworking and looking forward to making next year in the apartments great!

#2 on the Ballot



Will Wilson '93
Major: Psychology
Hometown: Toledo, OH
Previous Positions:
Resident Assistant ('90-'92)
Student Admissions Ambassador

I hope to create an atmosphere in the apartments where everyone gets to know one another. I'll achieve this by working with the RA's and the residents to come up with quality events for everyone to get involved in. Having been an RA for two years, I know the system and how to get things done. Elect me and see how exciting life in the apartments will be.

Off-Campus Residents Organization (OCRO)

President



Cathy Morelli '93
Major: English
Hometown: Greenwich, CT
Previous Positions:
Aquinas President ('90-'91)

As President of OCRO, I plan to take further steps in easing tensions and increasing communications between PC and the surrounding neighborhood. PC students should receive the positive publicity that we deserve. I plan on making public relations a major goal next year.

Vice-President



Mary Joan Sheridan '94
Major: Psychology/Business Studies
Hometown: Whippany, NJ
Previous Positions:
Residence Board Treasurer ('91-'92)

Secretary



Patricia Montegari '94
Major: English/Business Studies
Hometown: Ridgewood, NJ
Previous Positions:
McVinney Hall President ('91-'92)

Residence Board

President



Joseph Raczynski '95
Major: Psychology
Hometown: Bethesda, MD

Vice-President



Andrea Cano '95
Major: Education
Hometown: Mahwah, NJ

Secretary



Stacey Blake '95
Major: Elementary/Special Education
Hometown: Oragne, CT

Treasurer



Mike Manley '95
Major: Undecided
Hometown: Ridgewood, NJ