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Attallah Shabazz and PC celebrate in diversity. Photo- K. Mullaney

## "Reach out and explore..."

by Kati Dunn  
Staff Writer

Providence College's celebration of Black History Month 1991 continued this past Tuesday in '64 Hall with guest speaker Attallah Shabazz. She is the the eldest of six daughters born to Malcolm X and Dr. Betty Shabazz. Central to Ms. Shabazz's lecture was the urgency for individuals to deepen their understanding of themselves by examining their unique heritage and culture.

Ms. Shabazz, a native of Westchester County, New York, graduated from the United Nations International School at the age of 17. She continued to pursue her education as an international law major and English minor at Briarcliff College. While in college, Ms. Shabazz further cultivated her interest and involvement in community activities as director of the Little and Big Sisters Outreach Program at the YMCA in White Plains, New York. Among her many significant contributions to society, Ms. Shabazz, along with the eldest daughter of Dr. Martin Luther King, jr., founded the National Touring Company of Educational Theater, NUCLEUS, Inc. This organization is designed specifically to inspire and motivate today's youth, challenging them to understand that despite life's misfortunes and complexities, it is within each individual to fulfill one's aspirations. NUCLEUS further encourages young people to step securely and productively into the future.

Ms. Shabazz's lecture focused on her concern for each individual to delve into their own history so as to achieve one's identity and role in the construction of the twenty-first century. "We all need to celebrate our heritage and beautiful culture. Our history gives us pride. It is like a baton that racers pass on from one to the next. The torch is there. We must open

our eyes and study history in order to truly know ourselves."

Beyond understanding oneself within the context of one's culture and heritage, Ms. Shabazz urges everyone to increase their knowledge of the many cultures of which society is composed. "I urge you to start learning about the peoples around you. The word 'foreigner' is seen as a negative term. We were all foreigners once, and we still have ties to these foreign lands. Continue in the spirit of the twenty-eight days of Black History Month. It is essential to reach out and explore the atmosphere and ambience of the different cultures." In her own knowledge and great understanding of various cultures, Ms. Shabazz embodies this spirit of unifying people through cultural enlightenment.

Ms. Shabazz credits her "compassion, worldliness, and international awareness" to her parents, Malcolm X and Dr. Betty Shabazz. "I was taught early that it is alright to be different: to be black; to be taller than the other girls; to be the fastest runner. I did not know any pre-set images which ultimately cripple and poison our mind. I was taught to be real, honest, fair, and open-minded." Essentially, Ms. Shabazz suggests that people embrace change rather than fear it. "Revolutionary simply means change. There is no need to be afraid of change. There are many ways to make a change or a difference. You don't need to stand behind a podium or speak loudly. Follow your own mind quietly and independently." Ms. Shabazz's lecture not only celebrated the unique black experience, it also elucidated the need for all members of society to contribute to the contemporary social environment. We should try to enhance each individual's experience.

Black History Month will continue with more activities throughout February. For more information, contact the Providence College Office of Minority Student Affairs at 865-2738.

## PC SPILLS

by Todd Spittler  
Assistant News Editor

According to Juan Mariscal, assistant director of planning, policy, and regulations for the Narragansett Bay Commission, Providence College has spilled thousands of gallons of heating oil into the city's sewer system as well as a major body of water. This could lead to fines up to \$10,000 a day for each offense. However, Mariscal would not give detail as to how much the commission will impose upon the college.

There have reportedly been two spills, the first on December 16, when oil leaked from the Providence College heating plant off of Admiral Street into the sewer system and into the Moshassuck River. Apparently, this spill of heavy no. 6 oil mixed with warm water and caused a major crack in a pipe. Consequently, the water and oil mixture poured into the sewers and flowed with heavy rainfall eventually into the river. Signs of the spill were first seen in the Providence River as oil coated the hulls of boats on the city's waterfront.

The second spill took place on February 12 and is considered to be more serious than the first leak due to the volume of oil spilled. Specifically, two 25,000 gallon holding tanks at the heating plant were being filled with the no. 6 oil when the accident took place. Ob-

served Mariscal, "the oil man didn't check to see how much oil was in the tanks. A warning alarm that is supposed to go off when the tanks are overflowing didn't work." Mariscal commented that the oil "caused quite a mess" at the sewage pumping station beneath Ernest Street. Fortunately, it did not reach the wastewater treatment plant at Fields Point or Narragansett Bay and most of it was cleaned up at the pumping station.

The Reverend John McGreevy, vice president of institutional relations at Providence College, offered the following comments to the Associated Press. He stated, "we certainly don't want to do anything that's destructive to the environment. It's our responsibility and we will take care of it." Rev. McGreevy also added that the college will pay for the clean-up costs of the spills. So far, \$135,000 has been paid to private companies to clean up the oil.

The Narragansett Bay Commission is scheduled to meet with Providence College administration about the fines on March 5 and a hearing on the spills is scheduled for March 12.



## AAUP REJUVENATED

by Daniel M. Walsh  
Editor-in-Chief

Yesterday in '64 Hall the Faculty Welfare Committee opened their meeting to the American Association of University Professors. The AAUP is a national organization that has been serving the academic and financial interests of professors of this nation for 75 years. The AAUP representative, Mr. S. Finner, stated that "2000 plus Universities cooperate with the AAUP in the collection of data to consult and negotiate with Administrations." Although the AAUP has no legal power, it mobilizes the faculty to unite and address specific issues with the Administration.

Currently, there are 57 members of the faculty attempting to rejuvenate the AAUP charter. Professor Richard Murphy of the English Department stated that "the original charter faded away with the Faculty Senate in the early 1970's, but we're starting

again." The charter membership results in an association of the PC faculty with the National AAUP in Washington, D.C. The PC charter enables the faculty to act as a unified and individual entity. "The goal is to support the faculty governing structure, and not to replace it," emphasized Finner.

Furthermore, Finner added that today's main focus of the AAUP is economic. "The AAUP will provide economic assistance by analyzing the budget and examining the financial statements of the college. The faculty should play a primary role in the budget because they play a major role in the curriculum. Professors are a large part of the enterprise of the college and they should have a lot to say about the allocation of the budget. The AAUP will develop the tools to assist the role of the faculty (in these matters)," stressed Finner.

## CORPORATION HOLDS ADDITIONAL SESSION

by Todd Spittler  
Assistant News Editor

On Tuesday, February 5, 1991, the members of the Corporation of Providence College assembled for an extra session for the first time this year. The Corporation, the highest governing body at the college, addressed many issues, but there were no motions made or proposed legislation passed by its members.

A major issue that was dealt with is the future of the present structure of the Corporation. The Association of Governing Boards (AGB), a national organization that assists colleges and universities, was called in to "examine the structure of the Corporation and present us with possible plans for restructuring," stated President Cunningham. Currently, the Corporation is a single-tiered structure which has ultimate voting power on most issues. Providence College will receive input from Father Ernest Bartell, formerly of Stonehill College, MA, and presently the Director of the Theological Studies at Notre Dame.

Just prior to this meeting, Corporation members received a 10-12 page questionnaire dealing with such areas as its decision-making ability,

committee size and growth, as well as the Corporation's relationship to the President and the college as an institution. The aim of the questionnaire was to serve as a self-study tool to help members reflect and respond to issues in a constructive manner. The completed forms were then submitted back to the President's Office and will be forwarded to Father Bartell, who will supply Providence College with a task force chaired by Father Thomas J. Ertel, O.P. Father Ertel has appointed three members to his team: Former Chairman Raymond Daley, Providence College alumnus, and Former Rhode Island Superior Court Judge Anthony Giannini, and Sister Vivian Jennings, O.P., a Dominican at Caldwell College, NJ.

A student member of the Corporation, Laura Deegan, offered The Cowl her interpretation and perspective on the proceedings of the February 5th meeting. Commented Ms. Deegan, "what seemed to dominate the meeting, in my opinion, was the issue of Catholicity at Providence College." This particular issue is of a highly delicate nature because it does, in part, deal with the hiring of faculty through a proposed process which, if not

handled correctly, could be construed as discriminatory. It is under careful consideration by the Strategic Planning Committee and there is no specific time frame set for its pending deliberation.

Another observation which Ms. Deegan had noted was a suggestion made to restructure the Corporation into a two-tiered organization. The proposed structure would entail as Ms. Deegan noted, "a corporate body and something similar to a board of regents. The Corporation would have no voting power while the board of regents would be the governing body of financial matters."

The meeting of the Corporation of Providence College was seen as productive, especially in light of the school's newly found relationship with the Association of Governing Boards. The task force will review the discussions at the meeting and other related issues. Subsequently, they will furnish a full report tentatively scheduled to be released in the fall. These developments can only benefit the college as it approaches an important crossroad in its seventy-four year history.

The Defiant Giants entertaining the audience in '64 Hall during their poetry reading.  
Photo-Kevin Mullaney

## Black Origins Recited

by Kevin Mullaney  
Photography Editor

"A mind revolution" is what Mercurator TPS of the Defiant Giants stressed. The Defiant Giants poetry readings took place Thursday, February 14 at 7:00 in '64 Hall. A prelude to their rap concert on Friday night, the Defiant Giants stated their message before they put it to rap. The five Howard University students, Mercurator TPS, Prophet-T, Warlord Al-Wakeel, Zulu King Paris, and Nubian Scholar, each took the podium to express their opinions on black heritage.

The main point of the lecture was that "Black" is the origin of all things, and that blacks in time will come to be the supreme race and rule over all peoples. The Defiant Giants are destined to convince people of their beliefs. They cite multiple historical references such as The Bible, and figures including Jesus Christ to emphasize their

message. Through their interpretation of The Bible they have come to believe that Moses, Jesus, and God are all black. They also mentioned the many black historical figures that have influenced their pro-black stance—Martin Luther King, Malcolm X, and Reverend Louis Farrakhan.

The founder of Defiant Giants, Nubian Scholar, read poetry selections that the group has authored. He finished with "What Face Do I Wear," a poem about the long history of black oppression and white supremacy. When asked what blacks could do presently in order to make a difference, Nubian Scholar stated, "We, the black race, must begin with a mind revolution. Blacks must stop fighting amongst themselves and join forces."



## THE REVAMPED LOTTERY SYSTEM

by Mark J. Ziady  
Staff Writer

## RESIDENCE LIFE UPDATE

Much has happened recently concerning the selection of on-campus housing for the following school year.

To begin, if you are an upperclassman with either a hope or a need to find any available openings for residence in either of the three apartment complexes, you are out of luck. However, you are not alone! According to Executive Director of Residence Life, Father Joseph Tortorici, O.P., there were 95 interested applicant groups (570 juniors and seniors) for the 61 available apartments (366 beds) next year. Thus, the remaining 204 upperclassmen were left to find alternative housing.

Father Tortorici considered this new fervent interest in the apartments to be a combination of the declining interest in off-campus housing, and a "real affirmation of the desirable living space found in the apartments. For a college that three years ago was afraid that they would be unable to fill the apartments, it is a real tribute to them now for building them," comments Father Tortorici.

Last week, the Office of Residence Life distributed a notice throughout the campus concerning the new lottery system created for housing next year. The notice dealt with a number of major issues involving the upcoming

lottery (which will be held on April 9 and 10 on the fourth floor of Harkins Hall). All students planning to participate in the lottery must make a deposit of \$150 dollars to the Treasurer's Office by 2/22/91. Failure to do so will result in the placement of that student onto a waiting list for housing. Secondly, a new system of "squatter's rights" was created for the upcoming lottery. This is a policy that gives all present roommate groups the option of remaining in their present rooms for the following school year. If students wish to do this, they will be asked to register at an earlier date to be announced later.

Thirdly, numbers have been eliminated for this year's lottery. All "nonsquatters" will receive a card in their Friar mailbox that will inform them of the date and time that they must register. Registration will occur as follows: Class of '92, Class of '93, students living on lower campus, then finally the Class of '94. Fourthly, as soon as each member in a particular group receives their registration times, one and only one of those students should attend the lottery to select the desired room. This student, at the time of registration, must have in their possession the time cards of each of the other members in the group. If a student fails to do this, the group will unquestionably be placed at the end of the room selection list. Lastly, as a reminder, each group should have a list of alternatives ready, in the event that their "first choice" is not available.

More information concerning the lottery will be released in the near future.

## DISCIPLINARY MEASURES;

The following charges have been reported by the Office of Student

Services as of February 1, 1991. According to the College Judiciary Officer, three students were charged with underage drinking and having a keg party. Subsequently, the fol-

lowing penalties were assessed. A fine of two hundred seventy-five dollars, twenty-five hours of community service, and disciplinary probation until May 31, 1991.

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## The Irony Of Political Correctness: Brown Vs. Douglas Hann

By Anne M. Lee, Assistant Editorial Editor

February is Black History Month, a tribute to the achievements of African-Americans. With every passing year, especially at this time, it is hoped that racism, along with other forms of discrimination, is slowly being eradicated. However, how strongly are some willing to go to reach this goal? In the case of Brown University, strong enough to disregard the United States Constitution which protects freedom of speech.

In an incident last October, Douglas Hann, a junior from Pittsburgh, stood in the campus courtyard and unleashed a string of racist, anti-Semitic, and anti-homosexual slurs. Recently, Brown's Disciplinary Council, composed of faculty and students, decided to expel Hann, a move that was upheld by Brown President Vartan Gregorian. The Council felt his actions, committed while intoxicated and on two separate occasions, merited a strong response in the form of expulsion. Brown, it seems, has a "hate code," barring students from behavior which shows "flagrant disrespect for the well-being of others."

I find it ironic that Brown's attempt at political correctness ends up abusing the ultimate political tool of our nation, the Constitution.

Brown's intention was doubtlessly honorable: to make their campus an atmosphere where individuals of all races, creeds, ethnic groups, etc. could feel safe. Their motivation was also justified by a string of racial incidents on the campus in 1989. However, the outcome can only be described as censorious, limiting what people can say and to whom they can say it.

Robert Reichley, Brown's Executive Vice President for Institutional Relations, claimed otherwise when reprimanded by the local affiliate of the American Civil Liberties Union. "Universities are at the very heart of the issue of free speech and the exchange of ideas," he said.

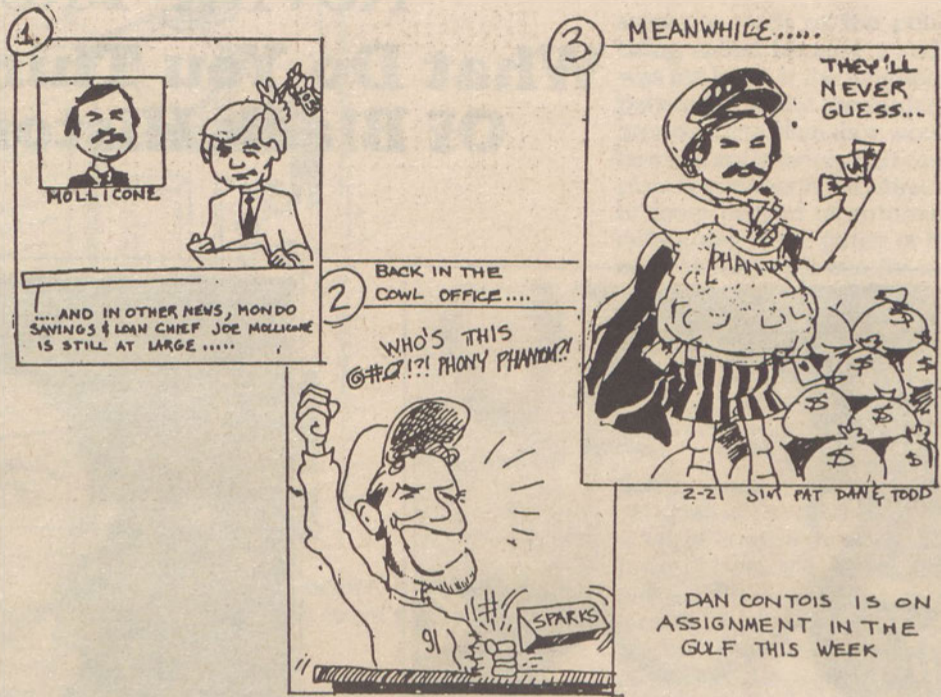
However, by their endorsement of a hate code, Brown is deciding which ideas they find acceptable. This concern has been raised at other institutions as well, including Stanford, Emory and UMass Amherst. A few of the codes have been challenged in court, with the result that many schools are reviewing and amending their policies.

It is not a university's task to mold speech and behavior into a particular politically correct pattern. They can teach students the evils of discriminating against someone on the basis of their racial, religious, or sexual orientation. They can diversify their population to include students from a variety of backgrounds. They can sponsor campus events, as well, all in an attempt to foster an atmosphere of goodwill and respect.

But subjecting a student to disciplinary action and expulsion is going too far in my opinion. Fear of reprisal may now prohibit speech on any number of issues - who wants to risk an \$80,000 education?

I must side with the ACLU in condemnation of Brown for this action. There have always been people who judge others superficially and aren't afraid to express these opinions, especially on a weekend night after a few drinks. I fear that there will always be these people. Yet, should we break with the First Amendment, which governs the entire country, in an attempt to reprimand a few narrow-minded individuals? No!

Instead, let us continue open discussion of the problem of discrimination in our society. Let's celebrate with events such as Black History Month, which is a positive, powerful attempt to spread cultural knowledge to all races. We must support these happenings in order to propagate the inherent equality of each human being.



## Defiant Giants: A Lesson Gladly Learned

by Patrick R. Sparks  
Asst. Editorial Editor

The shoe was finally on the other foot. I was the outsider, the one (I thought) held in contempt for the color of my skin. I was the minority. In the span of a few short moments, one of the basic truths of my admittedly small world had been completely turned upside down. That is, the fact that my skin happens to be white made me feel like a minority. I felt (albeit because of my own paranoia) like I represented the sins of all people that share my light pigmentation. These are the feelings that trembled through my soul as I sat in front of the "Defiant Giants."

These five men personified confidence, intelligence, and pride. They looked me straight in the eye, and answered my questions with the strength and determination of highly motivated soldiers. Soldiers in a biblical struggle for the welfare of their brothers and sisters world wide. They were, to quote their song, the "Son(s) of a Black Panther."

Their message is a very powerful one. It calls for positive action. Positive action on the part of every human being, but most importantly on the part of African-Americans. They were sure that all of the problems faced by Black people can be remedied by Black people. The "Defiant Giants" had a tremendous sense of pride in their heritage. They refused to be anything but proud of their rich history.

This positive and often aggressive attitude was very threatening to me. I am a wealthy, white male from suburban Massachusetts. In short, I have been on the societal "most privileged" list for most of my life. As a result of the accomplishments of my parents, and the power of my gender and color in this white-male dominated society, the only doors closed to me were the ones I closed myself.

Coming from my background, therefore, racism

and prejudice were for other people. These were subjects for David Dinkins and Jesse Jackson to ponder, rant and rave about. Racism had nothing to do with my personal experience, except for the fact that Ted Koppel might be doing an expose concerning a racial controversy on Nightline. Maybe this would capture my attention for a fleeting moment as it was piped into my living-room, sandwiched between Preparation-H advertisements. But alas, as soon as Ted faded from the screen, so too did the thoughts of racism that challenged my mind.

The "Defiant Giants" brought these difficult issues to my doorstep. They had a brash, almost "in-your-face" attitude. They immediately put me on the defensive. They made me question the essence of my position in humanity. As I reacted to them, at first, I was defensive. Then, I felt threatened. Finally, I became angry. At this point, I stopped myself. I had let my heart get the best of me. I remembered a famous saying (its origin escapes me): "Fear breeds hate." I realized, that because I was threatened, my emotions lead me to try to find fault with (or actively hate) the "Defiant Giants," instead of exploring the origins of my own fear. I discovered that the "Defiant Giants" were not ignorant radicals, they just made me take personal stock in the everyday injustice done to all people in general, and African-Americans in particular. I felt guilty. After all, I am fond of saying, "If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem." The "Defiant Giants" had merely called my rhetorical bluff. They seemed to ask me, "Well, are you part of the solution or just another obstacle in our path to social justice?"

This realization made the message of these young men from Howard University easier to comprehend. As far as I can tell, (please forgive me gentlemen, if I misrepresent or misinterpret it) their message has two parts. The first part is directed towards non-Blacks. It essentially calls for respect and non-interference. Respect

for their mission of self-improvement, and non-interference in the pursuit of this mission. It also calls for governmental and economic reparations for past injustice. The second part of this message is concerned solely with the African-American community. They urge Black people to have pride in themselves, pride in their community, and pride in their history. Perhaps the most important part of their message is their call to action. They command all African-Americans to stand up for themselves and create their own justice in American society. In short, they point out that the time for patience has long since passed. They even go as far to predict that there will be violence if Black people are not allowed to better themselves.

The pro-Black attitude expressed by the "Defiant Giants" should not, and must not be confused with being anti-White. After all, does wearing a claddagh ring (pro-Irish) or belonging to an Italian-American club (pro-Italian), necessarily mean that you are automatically anti-Black? Of course not! Don't let your fear or paranoia get the best of you. Go beyond your emotional first impressions and see groups like the "Defiant Giants" for what they really are, advocates of real, positive change. As the Defiant Giants say, "What is good for the Black community is good for everyone."

Sadly, there was one negative aspect to the "Defiant Giants" performance. In the course of the show, a member of the group asked the audience how many of us were not "faggots." This question bewildered me. How could an advocate for justice use such a pejorative expression in reference to another group that is commonly oppressed? This extremely insensitive language detracted from the greater, more important message of the group. It was truly a shame.

Overall, the "Defiant Giants" were a sight to behold, I just wish more people were there...to become a part of the solution.

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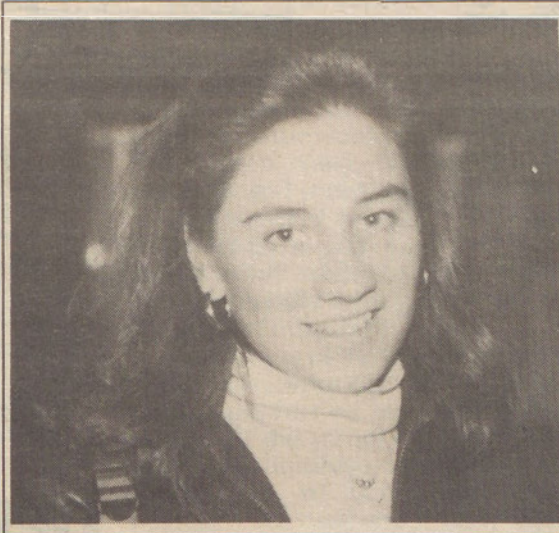
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# Editorials

## Roving Photographer What Do You Think The Purpose Of Black History Month Is?



Bill Pentacost '92: I think it gives everyone a chance to become more aware of a significant part of our society.



Sarah Kane '93: To make our country aware of the great things Black Americans have done for our country.



Kevin Eyerman '92: To give people that faced adversity a chance to show their pride.



Thomas Currier '91.5: It is to educate American society about a rich and vibrant culture that really has been ignored in our educational system, yet has contributed disproportionately to our intellectual and cultural heritage.



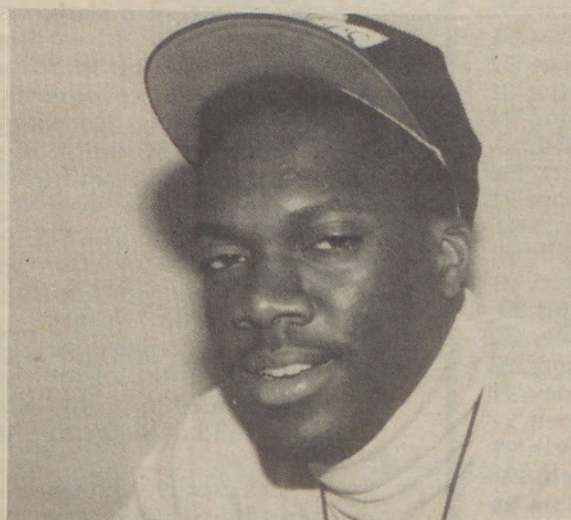
Shanya Evans '91: I just think it recognizes a race. It's important that we keep all races in perspective. Harmony should be our ultimate goal.



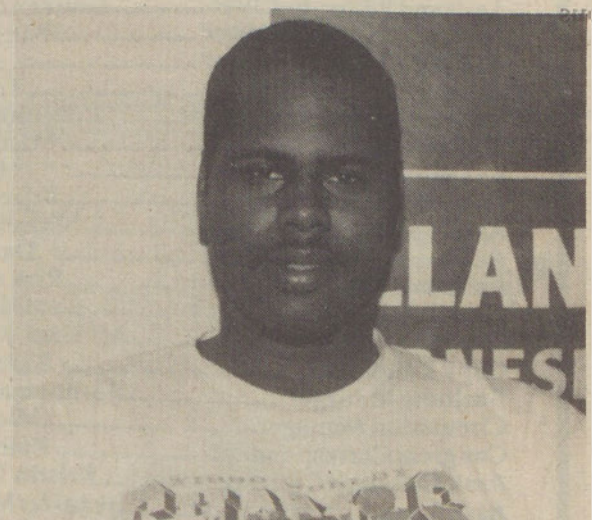
Andrew Leary '94: I think it is basically to make what is already an overwhelming white population in this school see and learn about Black culture and learn that there is more than one way of looking at things.



Geraldine Nolan '92: Awareness.



Earl Smith '92: I think it's to educate some and to remind others of the great contributions of the Black race to this country and to the world.



Greg Williams '92: It is a time for us to remember, and to educate ourselves and others about the contributions of a segment of our society that is too often neglected.

# Student Congress

## OCRO=Off-Campus Resident Organization

By Colleen Fitzgerald  
'91 Class Representative

The following interview was conducted by Colleen Fitzgerald with Jason Costa, President of OCRO.

Colleen: What is OCRO? What are some of the activities that OCRO has organized?

Jason: OCRO is an organization that acts as a liaison between off-campus students, off-campus housing and the P.C. administration. It deals with issues such as off-campus crime, tensions between neighbors and students and tensions that arise between students and the administration. OCRO has organized activities such as decorating the Smith Hill Senior Citizen Home during the holidays and visiting with the elderly.

Colleen: Has the off-campus situation gotten better or worse?

Jason: The situation has definitely gotten better since the beginning of the school year. The hard work that Student



Congress has done, especially through the *Peaceful Coexistence* project [the distribution of a bi-weekly newsletter to the community aiming at closing the gap between P.C. and its neighbors] has seen positive results.

Colleen: Do you feel there is an apathy among P.C. students concerning the off-campus situ-

ation?

Jason: The feelings of students has gotten stronger in comparison to the past, yet there is still room for improvement. Feelings toward the off-campus situation are mixed. You have some students who are really trying to live peacefully among their neighbors and avoiding tensions, while others really don't seem to care what happens. So, like I

said before, there is definitely room for improvement.

Colleen: How can students contribute in helping this problem?

Jason: First of all, students living off-campus should simply get to know their neighbors. This opens up communication which can help avoid unnecessary

scenarios such as the police being called because a radio was too loud. If the neighbors personally know the students around them then they would be more apt to bring their complaints, comments, etc. directly to them instead of automatically going to the police or the administration. Secondly, any student can join OCRO or submit their ideas, opinions, etc. to those involved with OCRO. All they have to do is get in contact with me or the off-campus housing.

Colleen: How do you foresee the off-campus problems being solved? Do you see a solution?

Jason: I think the administration still needs to get more involved with the students and productive efforts need to keep going. For a longterm solution, I think the school needs to consider purchasing new property and instill some sort of "school police" system. If more unity and desire to help change things increases among everyone, I do think a permanent successful solution is possible!

## Squatters Now Have Rights

By Jennifer MacCallum  
Ass. Congress Correspondent

Walking into my room the other day, I noticed the '91 Lottery Information sheet handed out by the Residence Life Office. Because I am a sophomore, the lottery for next year's housing doesn't affect me, but my curiosity caused me to read the sheet. Boy, was I surprised at the changes made for this year's lottery.

After my nerve-racking experience with the lottery system last spring, I was happy to see some beneficial changes made. The new additions to the lottery system are indeed positive and do benefit those who live in all the Residence Halls.

First and most importantly, the lottery will be held on two days, April 9th and 10th on the 4th floor of Harkins. Thankfully, last year's Last Resort nightmare is over, where almost 1,000 nervous and anxious people were squashed into the Last Resort.

Much like the Apartment Complex Lottery, this year's

lottery allows for "Squatters' Rights": roommate groups who would like to remain together may again live in the room they occupied this past academic year, as long as they notified Residence Life by February 1st. This change makes sense; I know too many unlucky roommates who ended up on lower campus this year because their lottery number was so low.

Another change on the plus side is the change in the way lottery numbers will be given out. All "nonsquatters" [those who decide to live with a new roommate(s)] will receive a card in their Friar Boxes telling them the time and the date at which they will report to select their room. Numbers will not be used at all—only the assigned time.

Times will be issued in the following priority order: Class of '92, Class of '93, all Class of '94 students living on lower campus and the remaining members of the Class of '94. Finally, students who lived on lower campus their freshman year will have

a fair shot at living on Upper-campus.

This year only one representative of each roommate group will be allowed to attend the lottery. Each representative must bring all the cards of those who wish to sign-up for a given room. With this addition to the system, the lottery should run a bit faster, and more smoothly than in past years.

The only aspect of this new lottery system that I do not agree with is the addition of an "open campus." Residence Life has said that if there are a normal number of housing deposits in the Treasurer's Office by February 22nd, they will not block off any freshman rooms in the lottery.

This is great if you are going to be a sophomore next year, but I feel it is unfair for incoming freshmen. Face it, everyone here had a shot to live on upper-campus their freshman year.

Does Residence Life really think that sophomores will choose to live in Dore and Fennell when they can live in McDermott or Aquinas. An

all freshman lower campus will result, and that is wrong.

Currently PC has a 97% returning rate of students between their freshman and sophomore years. I wonder if that rate will change if lower campus is restricted to just freshman.

It is important for freshman and sophomores to interact with each other. Sophomores can be a mediating factor—during the first semester of your freshman year, you are likely to act a little more mature in front of sophomores, even if this maturity is a form of self-imposed intimidation.

Also, how else are the two classes supposed to get to know one another? Unless you personally know an incoming freshman or if one of your friends is a R.A. on lower campus, not too many people will make the trek just to be neighborly.

PC is such a community school. Wouldn't this separation of classes cause a strife inside our close knit community?

Finally, when many members of the Class of 1993 found out they were going to live on lower campus and complained to Residence Life that a large majority of the rooms on upper-campus were reserved for freshmen, Residence Life told them that it was unfair for freshmen to live in a single their first year at school.

Well just how many incoming freshman will be doomed to a single in Fennell or Dore? At least sophomores have already established a social life here and a single room isn't as detrimental as having a single your freshman year.

Also, having to live with a roommate your freshman year is probably one of the most difficult and rewarding aspects of college life. You learn how to interact with another person and that bond of maturity can never be taken away.

For all the positive aspects that the '91 Lottery has, I hope that Residence Life chooses to do away with the open campus aspect. Let PC continue to be a true community school.

## Minutes for February 19th

Minutes for the February 19th meeting are as follows:

### Announcements:

- All Congress members must be at the meeting by 5:45 p.m. or cuts will be given.
- March 5th Big East Tickets go on sale at 8:30 a.m.
- *Peaceful Coexistence*-Saturday, March 2nd

### Committee Reports:

**Finance:** Cash boxes should always be given to Fr. McPhail's secretaries at the end of the day. **Elections:** Meeting with Danny, the Trust Fund Child, this week, discuss the date of the picture with the basketball players. **Public Relations:** Open to ideas for PC Pride—"PC Pride Week," Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program-Senior with a freshman—need to investigate how it all

works on others campuses. **Time and Space Management:** After meetings—please leave rooms the way found them.

**Congressional Board Reports:** IAB: Super Sports will be April 13th.

BOP: Upcoming movies—*Gone with the Wind*; Trip to Boston Museum of Art on February 24th; discussion about the one beer per person per hour limit at the Last Resort.

ACC: Selling t-shirts this week for the Apts.

COA: PC now an official member of SOAR; more students are seeing doctor at the health center; Apts. full for next year; 78 people trying out for 29 RA positions; 1,000 people using Peterson daily; Steven's Hall will be redone this summer;

discussed an Honor Code; Admissions Ambassadors Program being established this year.

### Class Reports:

'92: Planning a club night.  
'93: Big East Raffle still on sale 2/26-3/4.

'94: "Petals for Peace"—yellow carnations will be on sale from February 11-25th in the dorms and in lower Slavin, 50% of the proceeds will be going to the American Red Cross.

### General Discussion:

• People being attacked on lower Eaton Street late evening—Do Not Walk Home Alone!

• Spring Weekend was cancelled because not enough students attended the events on campus and the city refuses to license that event.

## Class Announcements

### Class of 1993

WHAT: Win a trip to The Big East Tournament @ Madison Square Garden  
TICKETS: \$1.00 in Lower Slavin

### Class of 1994

WHAT: Petals for Peace  
WHEN: Now-Feb. 25th  
COST: \$1.00  
•• Support OUR TROOPS  
•• Proceeds go to the American Red Cross  
PICKUP: Monday, Feb. 25th in Slavin



## Tanks At Heathrow Airport

By Shannon Skenyon  
Class of 1992

January 15th deadline, war declared, tanks at Heathrow airport, bomb threats, and anti-American sentiment. This is quite a lot for a student to handle in the first week in a foreign country! A few days after many Providence College students embarked on their once in a lifetime opportunity of studying abroad, the United States bombed the Iraqi capital of Baghdad and Operation Desert Shield turned to Operation Desert Storm. Living in London while there is war in the Gulf has proven to be quite an experience. I have learned to live with new threats such as terrorism and anti-American sentiment.

It is a bit unnerving at first to be away from home when your country declares war. First, when a crisis oc-

curs in the United States, the public immediately turns to such noteworthy newscasters as Tom Brokaw, Peter Jennings and Dan Rather. These men are omnipresent when significant news concerns the United States. Their presentation is informative, succinct and professional. There are no such newscasters in England. The newscasters in England are nowhere near as professional as their American counterparts. In fact, they are quite amusing. They continually state the obvious and are constantly plagued by technical difficulties in Saudi Arabia and Baghdad. We even heard the theme from ABC news at one time. We thought for once we were going to hear "real news."

I first realized that this conflict had world-wide repercussions when we attempted to register at the US embassy in London. The officials at our school recommended that we notify the embassy of our residence in London. When we ar-

rived at the American embassy, it was blocked off. They were not allowing anyone within a quarter of a mile of the building because the bomb squad was going to blow up a suspicious package. Here we were, in a foreign country trying to seek assistance and comfort from our government and we could not gain access to the building.

The next shock came in Trafalgar Square. We witnessed a demonstration against American and British involvement in the Gulf. I understand that there are anti-war demonstrations going on in the US, but in the states, the predominant feelings are not anti-American. London is a very cosmopolitan city and there are many different nationalities present here. It is difficult to disguise the fact that one is an American student. It is not uncom-

mon for people to come up to us and express their opinion about America. In a pub one night, an Arab explicitly warned us, "You are Americans, you had better watch out."

The main concern around here is bomb threats. These threats are common. I never thought I would get used to bomb threats, but they are so common I have become accustomed to them. One of the most popular places for these threats is the subway (The Tube). There are notices all over regarding unattended parcels. Many stations have closed at one time or another because of these threats. We sometimes joke that the terrorists pick a different station each day to threaten—it's Tuesday, so they must be threatening Picadilly Circus! Terrorism is not a joke, though.

Another unnerving event was a bomb threat at our school. The main residential building had to be evacuated.

When the threat hits that close to home, the immediate reaction is terror. I had nightmares that night that some terrorists came by my room, which is on the first floor and threw a bomb in my window. Very optimistic.

It took less than two weeks to realize that you cannot let this fear consume your life; you just have to be alert. Studying abroad is certainly a learning experience. I have learned more about different cultures, anti-American sentiment, and terrorism in two weeks than I learned in twenty years. There is too much to see and do in London to let these fears consume your world. Awareness is the key—if something seems odd, just get yourself out of the situation and FAST! They say you are more likely to get hit by a car than by a terrorist attack. In London, this is definitely true, especially when people drive on the "wrong" side of the road.

## The Cold And I

By Bill Fennell  
Features Writer

Having a cold is possibly one of the worst things that could happen to a person, apart from having to view a slideshow containing nude photos of Vincent Price. It's really awful, not being able to breathe, having to blow your nose at least thirty times in a four-minute time span, and sneezing. Perhaps sneezing is the worst thing, because not only does it hurt your throat, but it could also damage the drapes and walls. At this moment, I am in the middle of a cold, watching daytime television, and I feel like not doing anything except shoot spit wads at Phil Rizzuto and Sy Sperling. And also that annoying guy who wants me to buy some cookware that can be banged against a wall—why would I ever want to smack my pots and pans into a wall? It's just not fun. Looking at this realistically, it's probably not as bad as I'm making it out to be, but I'll make it look like it's life-threatening, just to

show you how bad I have it. When I got up this morning, my throat hurt a lot. How much, you may ask? Well, just imagine being tied to a tree and having a metal pipe thunked into your throat a few times. Then put a nail on the end of that pipe. Then attach that pipe to a few others, add a sink, and then you have yourself a nice little plumbing system. Oh, dear, I sounded like Bob Vila just then. I must really be sick.

Anyway, my throat hurt really bad, so I thought I'd take a throat lozenge (isn't "lozenge" a stupid word? Don't you feel a little embarrassed every time you say it?) and get the pain over with. As it turned out, the pain in my throat was too tough for a simple lozenge to tackle. So I took out my throat-numbing spray and spritz the back of my throat a few times. This did a great job in numbing the daylight out of my tongue and cheeks, but it didn't do the job on the real pain. I was now near the end of my rope, so I had to go for the heavy artillery. I would have to gargle with salt and warm water. This may not sound like much of a big thing, but I have this problem

where I can't gargle without getting some in my eye and all down my shirt. So I went about the task of gathering up my gargling gear: salt, cup, warm water, towel and goggles.

I put some salt in the cup, put warm water in, took a sip, started to gargle, and then swallowed. Not a good idea. "One more try," I thought to myself, and took another swig. This time, I gargled with some success, but I was temporarily blinded and I stumbled into my desk, knocking my books all over the floor and tripping over them. This caused all of the water to spill out of the cup, and of course, it landed right on my thirty-plug adapter. Since I happen not to be a master electrician, I began to mop up the water. Another bad idea. The ensuing shock blew me across the room, where I landed comfortably on my guitar, smashing it to little bits. However, my throat felt much better, but now I had a new problem—my headache.

I wasn't quite sure how to handle my headache. Should

I use the pain reliever that hospitals recommend most, or should I use the one that has ten thousand milligrams of pain reliever? But then again, I could also use aspirin substitute or the one that I would use if I was stranded on a desert island. The choices were so overwhelming that I decided to take a couple of each. This not only cured my headache, but I also got a much clearer understanding of the nature of the universe, and also of the nature of unscented bathroom tissue. Now the only problem was that I still had a stuffy nose.

What could I do to help myself this time? I had already drowned in salt water, flown across my room, and been more in touch with my inner self, so what else was there? Mexican food. Not just any Mexican food, but spicy Mexican food, with lots of hot peppers and hot sauces. As it just so happened, I had an extensive cookbook of nothing but spicy Mexican foods (and accompanying antacids) at my immediate disposal, so I disposed of it. I gathered together all of the hot things I could think of, including a girl in my math

class, and set to work. After I mixed everything together, the girl got all huffy and stormed out, so I just used the food ingredients. As you may or may not know, red hot foods clear up one's nasal passages better than an Electrolux. I ate about six pounds of the peppers and stuff, and boy, were my passages ever clear! I got rid of the stuffy nose, but I had happened to set my tongue on fire, so I guzzled water straight from the tap (what a wildman!). I felt pretty good for nearly twelve minutes, and then everything wore off, but I could still travel to other dimensions without leaving my room.

That's the point I'm at now. Should I do all that I did before over again? I think not, so I'll just have to be content with my misery. Who knows, maybe tomorrow I'll have something that's easier to deal with, like leprosy. I've got to go now, because I have to find something to take for my heartburn. Should I use the stuff that uses the "Dagnet" theme in their commercial, or the stuff that's endorsed by professional football players? On second thought, I'd rather suffer.

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For more information, please contact the Providence College English department (401) 865-2292.

## PC'S Chorus

### Jumps into Spring singing

Providence College Chorus, under the direction of choral director Richard Benefield, will perform two concerts in March.

The first concert is scheduled for Sunday, March 3, 1991 in the chapel of the priory of St. Thomas Aquinas at PC (Gragani Dominican Center). The concert begins at 3:00 pm. and will feature the music of Pitoni, Benefield and Mendelssohn.

The second concert is scheduled for Sunday, March 10, 1991 at St. Paul's Church, Park

Place, Pawtucket, RI. It will feature the music of Mendelssohn with guest organist Max Miller of Boston University. Vocal soloists will be Kathryn Jennings, soprano, and Hillary Nicholson, mezzo-soprano. The concert begins at 3 pm. and is being presented by the RI Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Both concerts are free and open to the public. For more information, contact the PC Music program at (401) 865-2183.

Andy DiGiovanni  
WDOM Public Relations Staff  
Record Reviews for The Cowl

Sting: *The Soul Cages*

Since breaking up with Andy Summers and Stewart Copeland in The Police, Sting's solo music has shown that he is one of the world's most intelligent, open-minded and talented entertainers. His latest album, *The Soul Cages*, is a powerful and moving record, much like its two studio precedents. Sting has drifted away somewhat from his Jazz-Rock style found on *The Dream of the Blue Turtles* and the "even-Jazzier" classic...*Nothing Like the Sun*. *The Soul Cages*, recorded in Paris and Italy, is more of a Rock album—pretty much mellow but never boring.

What I find to be the best part about this CD is its mystical feeling. The musical tone is enchanting, exotic and spiritually filling throughout. "Island of Souls" opens up the collection with the playing of Northumbrian pipes, immediately drawing the mind away from the everyday world. The song is also comparable to what "Children's Crusade" did for *The Dream of the Blue Turtles*. Its lyrics act as a memorial for the recent death of his father, as well as much of the rest of the album. Also, while Sting created the LP to show depression, the first single, "All This Time," is bouyant and relieving.

"Jeremiah Blues (Part 1)" is another slick track, with the saxophone of Branford Marsalis and more neat drum/percussion playing by Manu Katche. Sting writes, "Every place around the world it seemed the same...Can't hear the rhythm for the drums...Everybody wants to look the other way...When something wicked this way comes." A nice melody can be found in "Why Should I Cry For You." The soft "Saint Agnes And The Burning Train" is simply beautiful with the sound of Dominic Miller's acoustic guitar. It reminds me of walking through an old New Mexican hacienda. The album will continue to hold you in its grasp through "The Wild Wild Sea," the upbeat title track and the ever-mysterious "When The Angels Fall."

Keep in mind that I'm not recommending this album just for the music. It is well known that Sting has practically been driving the environmental bandwagon...not just riding it. After spending time in the Amazon rainforest of Brazil in protest of its massive deforestation, his packaging for *The Soul Cages* is made from recycled paper, including the CD case that eliminates the need for a longbox. In addition, the artwork in the package, with great paintings by Stephen Campbell, also contributes in making the CD a collector's item. And Sting has proved once again that he is a musical mastermind. (DDD/Total time 48:18)

## Living Colour Could Have Been Better

By Frank DePasquale  
A&E Staff Writer

Maybe my expectations were too high. Here I was, finally getting a chance to see Living Colour headline. I had heard the rave reviews about this, their first major solo tour and about their latest lp "Vivid" (one of 1990's best). I had heard the sound check before the Orpheum show last December in Boston and even met the guys, speaking in depth with Vernon Reid. I was looking forward to a killer show.

Though, like a kid leaving the circus disappointed because there were no clowns, so I left the Performing Arts Center last Thursday night after the concert. The show lacked chutzpah. Not that it was a bad show; rather, it was good musically. The guys hit the right notes and even performed O.K. but the night lacked that special energy which makes concerts great.

The lack of energy was not the completely the band's fault. The lead singer, Corey Glover, girated wildly on stage, thrashing his long, unique locks of hair about. His voice showed extraordinary strength and soul especially on "Open Letter to a Landlord," where Corey took a long vocal solo at the beginning of the song. Bassist Muzz Skillings was also up for the show, taking center stage



on "Love Rears its Ugly Head," with his interesting "over the neck" style of playing. Even drummer Will Calhoun made his presence known, exploding on the thrashy "Time's Up" and on an unexpected drum solo.

Yet for most bands, including L.C., the spark plug is the guitarist. Vernon Reid did connect with the rest of the band on incredible renditions of "Fight the Fight" and "Type" but for most of the show seemed to be in a sedated state. Reid merely went through the motions as he remained in his little corner of the

stage, neglecting solos and creative fills for songs. As Reid went through the motions, the rest of the band's attempts to liven up were hampered and I found myself waiting futilely to be blown away.

The entire blame can't lie on Reid alone. Granted, getting up for a show in Providence on a Thursday night can be hard, especially when the night after night, city after city grind starts to kick in. Also, L.C. dropped two key crowd pleasing songs "Should I Stay or Should I Go" and "Middle Man" while shying away from the po-

tentially powerful "Information Overload," off of the "Vivid" LP. A final factor was the crowd, which although wasn't dead, was far from enthusiastic. Whether it was the antique, museum-like interior of the theatre which took the bite out of the crowd, or the PPAC's security which relentlessly paced the floor, keeping people from getting too excited, it doesn't matter. The crowd was far from excitable.

Living Colour's performance was in no way a bomb but far from memorable. Although the light show was first rate and Corey, at the end of the show, ran up to the balcony during "Cult of Personality," it all proved to be too little, too late, as the energy factor of the show had already been frozen. The result was a mere shell of a concert that could have and should have been better.

The only part of the evening which did live up to my expectation was the opening act, Urban Dance Squad. Besides "Deeper Shade of Soul," their mixture of funk, rap, and hard rock proved nothing more than very loud noise. If you don't believe me, get a copy of their song "God Blasts the Queen," put your ear against the speaker and turn it up all the way - pure rubbish.

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# Academia

## Summer at Laval

Dr. Raymond Lavallee, Assistant Professor of French at Providence College is proud to announce that he will again be coordinating a program which is open to teachers and students at high school and/or college/university levels who are interested in pursuing study of the French language at Laval University in the summer of 1991.

Laval University was selected for this summer program of French study for non-francophones because it is the oldest university of French expression in America; it is recognized as one of Canada's most important centers for advanced education; and has a summer enrollment of 1,500 students—Canadians, Americans, South Americans, Europeans, Africans, and Asians. Exposure to such a program will ultimately enrich the lives and scholarly awareness of the participants.

Laval University offers 33 French courses of total immersion with seven levels of proficiency. A placement examination is administered to all participants and students are placed according to their linguistic ability. The students are allowed to follow 120 hours of instruction for seven/eight credit hours of work in French. The duration of the program is six weeks—July through mid-August.

#### BENEFITS OF THE PROGRAM:

The benefits of such a program are many and sundry. Some of the most important are as follows:

1. Allow students/teachers to begin or continue the study of French during the summer in a total French environment (only 500 miles away from Providence, RI)

2. Allow students/teachers who decide late to begin and/or further their study of French the opportunity to do so by participating in a summer program when they more have time to do so.

3. Provide a sound foundation for students/teachers who anticipate studying/traveling abroad.

4. Provide a rare opportunity to the advanced student/teacher to achieve native fluency in French.

5. Provide French language majors and/or teachers the opportunity to study the Quebec culture, civilization, and literature in its place of origin—Quebec, Canada.

6. Provide non-language majors, such as Business majors, whose curriculum does not permit inclusion of sufficient language electives during the academic year (in order to acquire proficiency in the language), the opportunity to benefit from this intensive program. The value of such a program would enhance the students marketability in today's competitive work place.

Any teacher/student, regardless of level of proficiency, wishing to begin or continue his/her study of the French language, culture and/or civilization may apply. Students wish-

ing to participate in this program must be 18 years of age by the opening date of the summer session. Requests for application and/or inquiries should be directed to: Dr. Raymond Lavallee Dept. of Modern Languages, Service Building - room 325 (tel. 865-2111)

Quebec City may be only an eight-hour drive from Providence, RI but once there, one realizes immediately Europe's and France's domineering influence upon its people, culture and civilization. It is truly: "a whole new world next door." Therein lies the reason why Laval University was chosen over all the other universities of Quebec to bring students during summer vacation for educational and cultural reasons.

Upon visiting "Old Quebec," the only totally walled city in North America, one finds oneself transported to the beauty and flavor of its mother environment, France, as well as Europe in general. The breath-taking area north of Quebec City, along the Saint Lawrence River, named "La petite Suisse" again replaces its visitors in a totally European environment. La Baie-St.

Paul and La Malbaie are the two most famous villages to visit along the the way to New France's first fur trading post—Tadoussac located at the mouth of the famous Saguenay or up the St. Lawrence River for the purpose of whale watching is always a pleasant experience.

Another impressive sojourn is a weekend trip to Chicoutimi by way of the Laurentides, around the historical Lac Saint Jean, stopping at several spots of interests along the way. The ghost city of Val Jallbert (once a prolific lumberjack village with its own church, school, and residences) was abandoned when its forests were depleted of their natural resources—lumber. A stop at the new Peribonka Museum is a must for here one can visit the famous farm where Louis Hemon spent a year working the land while interviewing its inhabitants in order to write what has become his most famous novel—*Maria Chapdelaine*.

A couple of hours drive south brings one past Trois-Rivieres to the second largest French speaking city of the world—Montreal (a large American-type city but with a French flair!). Its underground

malls (with one of the world's most modern subway systems) is a must for style conscious individuals. Modern European fashions abound here (as well as in Sillery's and St. Foy's many boutiques which are in walking distance from Laval) months before they arrive in many American cities (some never do!).

University offers mini-excursions in Quebec City during the week and maxi-excursions outside the city on Saturdays. Every afternoon throughout the summer program there are workshops on theatre, folklore, choral, instrumental music, gymjazz and Cine Q for those interested. Cultural events such as theatre, folk-singers, "soirees d'amination" and discotheques abound during the entire summer school program. Organized sporting events such as swimming, basketball, tennis, badminton and volleyball exist to challenge the "athletes." Students are encouraged to take advantage of as many of these social activities/events as possible for they also give the student an added opportunity to put to immediate use the linguistic acquisitions made in class.

Dr. Lavallee will be available throughout the entire program to guide and assist all participants.

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## This Day in History

By Robert L. Deasy

#### On this day in:

1755 General Edward Braddock was named commander of all British forces in America. He would die of wounds suffered in the Battle of the Wilderness while George Washington led the remnants of the troops back to Fort Cumberland.

1787 The New York Congressional delegation was "told" to support the upcoming Constitutional Convention to be held in Philadelphia in May.

1792 President George Washington signed the first postal act establishing the Federal Post Office and establishing postal rates for the first time.

1872 The Metropolitan Museum of Art opened in New York City

1912 Saying that "my hat is in the ring..." Theodore

Roosevelt announced that he would be a candidate for the office of President which he had vacated four years before (He wound up as a third party candidate as Woodrow Wilson won an overwhelming electoral victory). He had used this same day in 1907 to announce restrictions upon Japanese immigration.

1938 British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden resigned his post in protest to what he considered the appeasement policies of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain.

1943 General Irwin Rommel overran American forces of the US II Corps led by Major General Lloyd R. Frendenhall at the Battle of Kasserine Pass in Tunisia. A lack of unified German Command thwarted the victory. Frendenhall would be replaced by General George S. Patton and by

May 10 275,000 German and Italian soldiers surrendered and the struggle for North Africa came to a close.

1965 Ranger 8 crashed into the moon right on schedule only fifteen miles from its original destination.

SPORTS: On this day in 1948 the Harlem Globetrotters beat the Minneapolis Lakers proving their competitiveness. They would also win the following year but then lose six times in succession before the series ended in 1958.

Silias Noble and James P. Cooley: I'll bet you never knew that they would receive a patent for the toothpick on this day in 1872.

(Correction: Last week's entry on the first magazine in colonial America should have said 1741 not 1641)



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# Sports

## It's Home Sweet Home for the Friars

by Chip Scutari  
Asst. Sports Editor

As the Friars returned from Villanova only one thought came to mind—home sweet home! They say home is where the heart lies but for the PC hoop team home is where the victories lie. After an inept second half of basketball on Saturday, PC's road record fell to a dismal 1-9. Compared to an incredible mark at home, PC must be thrilled to finish off the Big East campaign within the friendly confines of the Providence Civic Center. With Boston College and those pesky Wildcats from Villanova on tap for PC, let's hope that the Providence home court magic will continue to flow.

Unfortunately, PC's season boils down to these last two games, a sort of qualifying tournament for the NCAA's. Win the remaining games and enjoy a third consecutive trip to the NCAA's, but lose just one and the Friars might be relegated to NIT status (too bad we don't live in the sixties). Of course, the fate of all Division 1 basketball teams will

determined by the infamous nine-man selection committee. Maybe the committee will take our top 25 victories and brutal schedule (10 straight top 25 teams) into consideration. Some might say that speculation is a terrible waste of energy. Not me. Let's look back and reflect on the season for a moment. 1990-91 has truly been a time for highs and lows but two defeats painfully stick out. BC and Holy Cross are two teams that PC should have beaten quite easily. Sure, we were missing three players at BC, but there was no excuse for the loss at Holy Cross. I just cannot understand how the same team can beat perennial powers like Syracuse and St. John's and lose to the likes of BC and Holy Cross in the same season. I guess that's what makes college basketball so great.

Another puzzling aspect of this year is PC's home and away record. It resembles a split personality of Jekyll and Hyde. One positive thing, though, has definitely come to pass for the Friars this season—a home court advantage. Unlike previous years, there

are no boo birds but rather a vocal, supportive crowd that does not give up on the Friars. While at the Villanova game this weekend, I couldn't believe my eyes. I saw people listening to headphones and reading the newspaper during the game. Wow! Great fans at Nova—yeah right. What a lame crowd down in Wildcat country, huh?

Just take it one game at a time. We have heard this saying over and over again in the world of sports, but it's time for the Friars to take heed. This whole season, from Midnight Madness right to the present, rides in the balance of the next two weeks. All the hard work and dedication, all the long hours of practice must be more focused than ever. Every teammate must work even harder to achieve the teams collective goal. Sure, making the NCAA tournament is a tremendous motivating factor but this team has something more to prove. Picked eighth in every pre-season publication, PC wants to demonstrate that they belong with the best basketball teams in the country. It's a matter of pride. Let's support our team during this critical stretch drive. Eat 'em up, eat 'em, go PC.

## Harriers look to N.E. Championships

by Beth Albertini  
Asst. Sports Editor

Imagine, if you will, a cold February weekend in Syracuse, New York. Inside the confines of the Carrier Dome at Syracuse University, the temperature is soaring. Two of the top college track teams in the nation are running neck and neck in the third leg of the women's two mile relay.

Sounds exciting, doesn't it? This was the scenario at the Big East Track and Field Championships last weekend. The two teams, Villanova and Providence, under coaches Marty Stern and Ray Treacy, run two of the top track programs in the country. The two were running even in the third leg, when Villanova handed off to Sonia O'Sullivan, who led the Lady Wildcats across the finish line for the victory. PC's team of Anita Phillipot, Sinead Delahunty, Geraldine Hendricken and Geraldine Nolan combined for the second fastest time recorded in competition this year, finishing in 8:46.26. Villanova's winning time was the fastest, 8:37.02.

Also at Big Easts, sophomore Dionne Wilson set a new school

record in the 500m (1:13.56) on the way to a fourth place finish. Geraldine Nolan took third in the mile in 4:49. Sinead Delahunty, who has already qualified for the N.C.A.A. Championships in the 3000m, finished second in the 3000m in 9:26. Anita Phillipot, working her way back after a bout with pneumonia, finished third in 9:31. Bridget Bowers finished ninth. Her time of 9:55 qualified her for the E.C.A.C. Championships and it was the first time she has run under ten minutes in the 3000m. The relay team of Nolan (1200m), Wilson (400m), Mary Mullane (800m) and Natalie Davy (1600m) finished third in the distance medley relay in 11:51.

For the men at Syracuse, freshman Andy Keith, who has qualified for the N.C.A.A.'s in the mile, finished second in the 1000m, crossing the line in 2:25. Chris Teague and Paul Logan finished fifth and sixth in the 3000m. Logan has already qualified for the IC4A Championships in the event. Teague and Keith combined with Bill Sullivan and Bill Mullaney for the two mile relay, and finished fourth in 7:42. Niall Murphy added a fourth place finish in the 5000m for the

Friars.

This weekend, the Friars take on the best of New England at the New England Championships at Boston University.

## I.A.B. Update

In one of the key rematches of the season, The Dangling Sticks faced off against the Mother Puckers. The Sticks didn't have the manpower to hold off the senior onslaught, losing 7-2. Solid goaltending by Paul Graf and strong defense by John Garron and Tim Doherty anchored the win. In a "B" League game, Chuggers Last Stand battled Rusty Newell's Big Hogs and Men to a 1-1 tie. Puckin' On Ice battled the Hansons tuesday night, and came out with a 6-2 win. Blue Pucks came up against the Bloony Henchmen tuesday night. The Blue Pucks, led by Tim Murphy, Tim Spellman and the entire defense ensured the victory. In Girls action, Liz Wyn and Crew sent Our Asses on Ice to their butts, winning 9-1. Freshman sensation Babes on Blades tripped We All Fall Down with a 4-2 win. We all fall down was severely undermanned for the game, yet the solid play of Beth Trantolo and Cara Tiezzi managed to keep the game close.

## Meet Mrs. Watts

by Rusty Newell  
Sports Writer

Have you ever wondered what it must be like to be a college basketball player's mother? Have you ever thought about travelling with the players everywhere they go, sharing the hardships and thrills college hoops offers? Chris Watts' mother shared some of her experiences and insights on college basketball from the recruiting stage to life after college.

Mrs. Watts gave some background into Chris' basketball upbringing, beginning when she first coached him in his first league. Chris started off with a bang, leading his first team to the city championships. The first advice offered young Chris was, "I told him when basketball becomes a chore then you shouldn't do it anymore—if it is not fun, don't play." Mrs. Watts related that basketball never became a chore to him, and his talent and love of the game eventually had recruiters lined up at the door. She also added that Chris was always a "good kid, and was easy to raise."

Mrs. Watts' positive influence on Chris undoubtedly influenced him in choosing Providence. UConn's heavy recruiting put them as one of his top choices, but PC's academic offerings and Rick Pitino as a coach were more

desirable for Chris. "Pitino was a big factor in Chris coming to PC. The first two years were hard because of the coaching change." She explained that it was hard because Pitino recruited him and knew what he could do and then new coaches came in who had not recruited him. Chris' career ambitions of playing pro ball changed with the change of coaching systems.

Mrs. Watts also talked about this season and travelling with the team. "I'm there for all the games because I feel I have to watch out for all the players on the road. I feel like everybody's mother on the road and like to be there for them."

She revealed that negative fans do not bother her, because, "I know when he has messed up—if he turns the ball over I'm first to say 'get your head in the game.'" She stated that Chris has a good head for the game and she only gets upset when he makes mental mistakes, and not when he misses shots.

Mrs. Watts also gave her insights into this year's team. "I love to watch Marquis—he has the body to be aggressive and takes it to the hoop well." She gave a prediction for the future, "Dickie will be the player of the future. He is fun to watch—He's timid right now but wait and see."

Mrs. Watts finished by saying that "all the players are very nice kids", and that she enjoyed watching them. Her charm and personality showed us where "Smoothie" got his nickname from.

## Rollie the Great

The Big East Conference has more than its share of colorful coaches, each with his own unique character. It varies from the imposing presence of John Thompson, to the festive sweaters of Lou Carnesecca to the baldness of Jim Boeheim. College basketball is probably best expressed by the youthful exuberance of Villanova Wildcats Coach Rollie Massimino.

Brent Musberger once said that Rollie "is the type of guy you can hug and he'll hug you back." Who can forget the scene in 1985 when a severely undermanned Nova squad went in and stole a National Championship from Patrick

Ewing and the Mighty Hoyas.

This was accomplished through a superb game plan that really took the Hoyas right out of the flow of their motion offense. Under Rollie's leadership, the Wildcats posted a phenomenal performance while shooting 70% from the field. With the victory in hand, Coach Mass had his arms extended in the air and an irrefutable smile on his face. While other coaches might have kept their emotions in check, Rollie was running around embracing all of his players and coaches. A genuine happiness was on display when his team won the NCAA Championship.

This season has turned out to be a bit different for the Villanova Wildcats. With a 14-10 record, Nova is no better than a team on the bubble for the tournament. A young team that has shown flashes of excellence, the Cats are gaining experience and learning from their set backs.

Relatively speaking, last Saturday night was a subdued night for Rollie and his Cats, as they defeated the Friars. However, the evidence was there, that the old Rollie was waiting to burst out. As the game went on, his prances down the sidelines got a little longer, and his voice a little louder. When crunch time rolled around, Coach Mass displayed his usual tenacity and intensity.

Coach Massimino is the type of person everyone can relate to. He is a tough competitor, but also has a light-hearted side that perfectly complements his other side. Perhaps more than any other game, a coaches personality transcends the actual game. In the case of Rollie and his Wildcats, those characteristics always consist of sportsmanship, winning tradition and an overall good attitude.

Coach Mass is a players coach in more ways than one. The approach is one that should be emulated throughout college athletics. So take heed, Coach Barnes. If you were out-coached, it was by a living legend.

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## Lady Friar skaters fall to resurgent Lady Wildcats

by John Raposo  
Sports Writer

If you happened to leave Schneider Arena after the end of the second period Saturday afternoon, you probably strutted out of the game with a confident feeling that the Lady Friars had this one all wrapped up. After all, the torrid Lady Friars, winners of their previous six contests, were ahead by a seemingly insurmountable 4-1 margin. A win against UNH would virtually assure PC of the ECAC title, so there was no way that PC would squander

the lead, right?  
Wrong.

UNH registered three goals within the first two and a half minutes of the third period to knot the game at 4-4. The tie was a short lived one as UNH pulled ahead to stay less than four minutes later. The deciding goal came about as a UNH forward collided into a Lady Friar defender sending UNH's Jocelyn Johnson in alone for a breakaway. She deftly faked out Lady Friar goaltender, Jill Rennie, with a quick move to the left, thereby igniting the UNH crowd into hysteria.

The game started out on a brighter note for the Lady Friars as Beth Beagan, set up by her

### Lady Friars blow four to one lead to Lady Wildcats

linemates, Carol Sloan and Cammi Granato, potted the goal for an early 1-0 lead. Later, UNH would answer Beagan's

goal with one of their own, evening the score at one apiece.

Fifteen seconds later, PC's Laurie Lashomb, from a kneeling position, poked in a rebound of a Lisa Paccione slapshot. The goal created a whirl of momentum for the Lady Friars as the first period concluded.

The spirited Lady Friars expanded their advantage at 3:09 of the second stanza. PC's Shannon Stoneking carried the puck behind the net before sliding a precise backhand pass onto the waiting stick of Wendy Cofran, who tapped it

by the UNH netminder.

Granato, who has more goals (24) than her famous brother, LA Kings forward Tony (21), terminated the second period scoring by blasting a shot between UNH's Erin Whitten's pads at 17:23 of the second period.

The nightmarish third period all but dashed any hopes the Lady Friars possessed of capturing the ECAC title. The loss leaves PC with a league record of 9-4, which currently ranks them fourth in the ECAC with only one game remaining.

## Friars drop two, fall into 4th place tie

by Brian Decesare  
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The Friar skaters seriously jeopardized their chances of finishing in fourth place and getting home ice advantage in the first round of Hockey East playoffs when they lost back to back games to UNH and BU last weekend.

After losing a 4-3 heartbreaker to the Wildcats on Friday evening, the Friars were drubbed by the BU Terriers 9-5 the next night for their third straight conference loss.

At the same time, UNH scored a 5-4 comeback victory at Merrimack and gained a fourth place tie with PC and an identical record in the confer-

ence of (9-8-2).

PC and UNH are 1-1-1 against each other this season. Should they end the regular season tied in the standings, the order of tie-breakers would be: head-to-head record, league record, league record versus teams higher in the standings, and a coin toss.

On Friday night in New Hampshire, the Wildcat's Savo Mitrovic scored his second goal of the night with just 10 seconds left to give UNH a 4-3 come-from-behind win.

After spotting the Wildcats a 2-0 second period lead, the Friars scored three unanswered goals and took a 3-2 advantage on goals by Mario Aube, Lyle

Wildgoose, and Rob Gaudreau.

But two New Hampshire goals in the final five minutes, including Mitrovic's with ten seconds left, proved to be the difference.

Brad Mullahy recorded only his third loss of the season and was brilliant in net making 42 saves on the night.

In the opening period of Saturday night's game versus BU, the Terriers scored four first-period goals, three of them coming on power plays, and took a 4-2 lead into the locker room.

Mario Aube collected both of PC's goals in the period, one of them coming on a backhander off of a Bob Cowan pass,

and the other during a power play when he wristed a shot past the BU goalie at the 17:18 mark.

The Friars' Gary Socha cut the lead to 4-3 midway through the second period, but the Terriers scored their fourth power play goal of the game just two minutes later and upped the lead to 5-3.

It was all downhill from that point on for the Friars.

BU blew the game wide open in the third period with three straight goals in the first seven minutes to take an 8-3 advantage.

Mike Boback and Wildgoose scored two meaningless goals and the Terriers added another

en route to a 9-5 pounding of the Friars.

Not only did PC get out-gunned 49-19 for the game, but the four power play goals by BU were the most the Friars have given up in a game this season.

Freshman Mike Heinke recorded the loss, but it was PC's lack of defense along with untimely penalties that made the game so difficult for him.

On a positive note for the Friars, Mario Aube scored three goals and collected three assists on the weekend totalling six points.

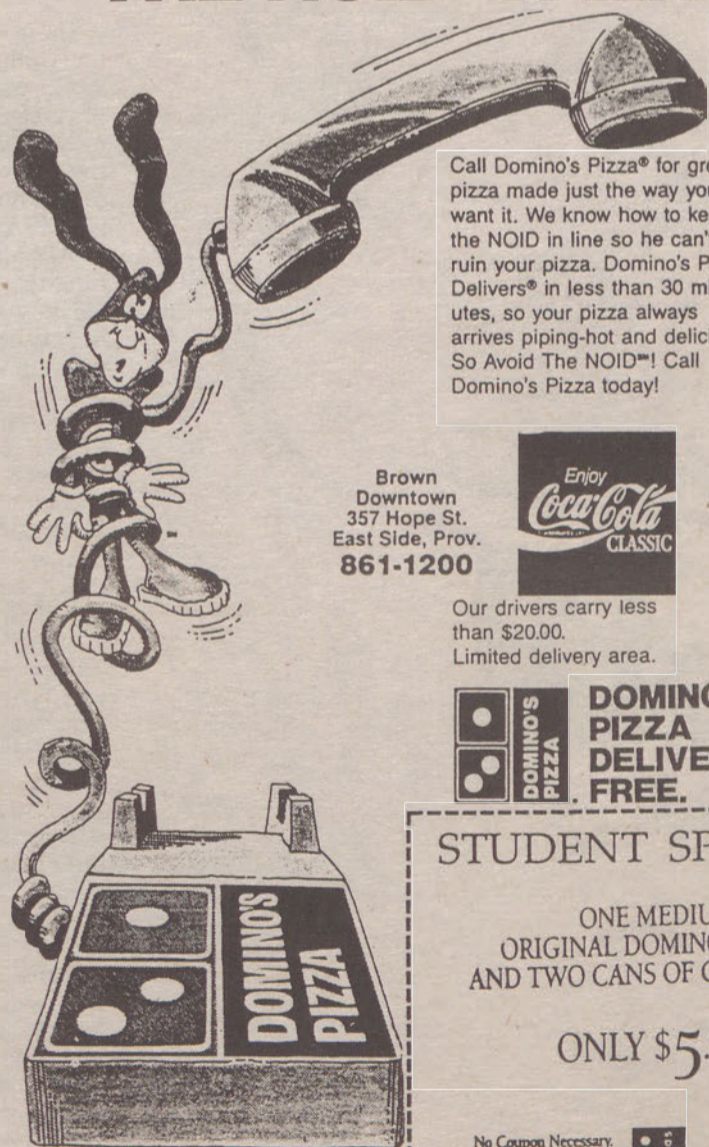
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## UCONN outlasts Friars

Shoot just 31% from the floor, commit 21 turnovers

by Jerry Jellig  
Sports Editor

17-10 overall, 8-8 in the Big East, and PC would be going to the Big Dance. Now, 16-11 is the best we can do after UCONN defeated the Friars on Tuesday, 70-66 in overtime. This could possibly spell N.I.T. (not in Tournament).

It was one of the ugliest games that PC fans have had the misfortune of witnessing. After twelve and a half minutes, UCONN led 12-7. The only bright spot came when Senior Chris Watts entered the game and connected on three straight 3-pointers in two and a half minutes. Then, Fred Campbell came off the bench red hot, scoring 10 points and pulling down 6 rebounds, including 2 for 2 on 3-pointers.

The starters were the weak link in the Friar offense (that is, when PC had the ball). The five starters combined for 2 points in the first half. Two starters, Tony Turner and Trent Forbes, failed to score in the entire game. Marvin Saddler was unable to repeat his performance against UCONN earlier this season at Hartford. He shot 3 of 10 from the field for 6 points,

to go along with his 6 turnovers.

In reference to the low scoring contest, UCONN Coach Jim Calhoun said, "The pace was ugly, and certainly not to the crowds delight. But it was to my delight." Coach Calhoun remembered the high scoring game in Hartford when UCONN was out-run by the Friars, 108-104.

**We are not dead yet. Anyone who thinks we are is wrong.**

The "Man of Steal," Eric Murdock, appeared to pick up where he left off at Villanova (10 points), hitting on 7 of 18 shots, 1 of 8 in the first half, for 23 points. In all fairness to Eric, when the team needed someone to step up in the second half, (as Watts had done in the first) he carries the team on his shoulders.

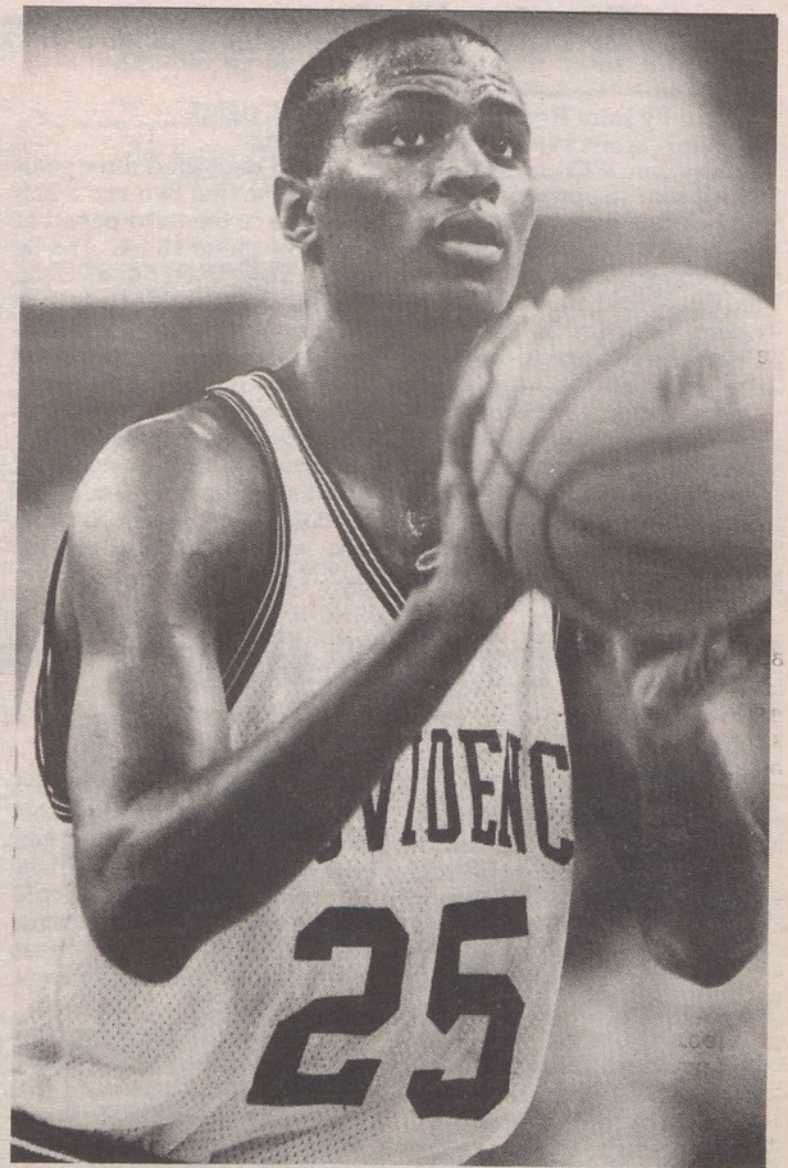
The best tribute to Eric was payed when he fouled out 22 seconds into the overtime. The

UCONN players and coaches jumped for joy, realizing victory was eminent. Though he hadn't played one of his better games, Eric proved that he is the Friar's catalyst. Without him in the lineup, PC looked like a group of hounds who had lost their scent.

"They are a whole different team without him (Eric Murdock) in the game," explained Coach Calhoun. "When I found out that he had five fouls going into the overtime, I said to the kids to run 5 straight plays at him," added Coach Calhoun.

"We're not dead yet. Anyone who thinks we are is wrong," claimed PC Coach Rick Barnes. "We're going to make a few teams in New York (at the Big East Tournament) wish they weren't playing us," added Barnes.

With the win, UCONN moves to 16-8, 7-6 in the Big East. PC drops to 14-11, 5-9 in the Big East. The Friars will be in action this Saturday at 8pm at the Civic Center. The opponent is Boston College. Before you get your hopes up Eagle fans, I'll be President of Providence College before BC sweeps the Friars.



Fred Campbell tallied 10 points and 7 rebounds vs. UCONN

## PC Burns BC

Freshman Chris Therien finishes Eagles

by John Raposa  
Sports Writer

There is a sign that hangs on the wall as you enter the PC locker room. Every team has their signs with motivational messages on them. You know the type. PC's inspirational saying reads, "PLAY FOR THE NAME ON THE FRONT OF YOUR JERSEY, NOT THE NAME ON THE BACK." Never was this quote more fitting as last night's thrilling 3-2 upset of the nationally ranked (#3) Boston College Eagles.

Heroes? Who were the heroes of the game, you ask?

Let's start with the Friars' checking line of Pat Madigan, Brian Ridolfi and Erik Peterson. All they did was hold the much ballyhooed HEM line pointless. David Emma, the leading candidate for the Hobey Baker Award, had words of praise for PC's Madigan. "He followed me all night long," stated Emma softly. "He did his job and David Emma just didn't have it tonight." Always beware of those who refer to themselves in the third person.

Chris Therien. All Therien did was make a gutsy cut to the net to score the game winning goal with only 1:22 left in the game. The goal was set up by Mike Boback, who waited behind the net until Therien was in position, and slid him the pass to send the sellout crowd of 3,030 into hysterics.

Sophomore goalie, Brad Mullahy, voted number one star after the game, continued to shine in the Friar net. Mul-

lahy improved his personal record to 13-3-1 by shutting out five Eagle power play opportunities.

Finally, the efforts of Rob Gaudreau can not be overlooked. The junior goal scorer, known for his penchant of putting the puck in the net, filled in admirably on defense. Incidentally, defense is not a position entirely foreign to Gaudreau; he last played there as a sophomore in high school.

Now to the game itself. After receiving their third

rebound of an Aube shot to give the Friar icemen a 2-1 advantage.

Four minutes later, the Eagles' Joe Crowley beat Mullahy to knot up the score at two apiece. That was the last thing that would get by Brad for the rest of the evening.

The 2-2 score stood for most of the third period until Boback and Therien combined to give the Friars their first victory over BC since November 11, 1989.

An elated - and relieved - Mike McShane put the game into its proper perspective: "It's been a long season and this is a big, emotional win for us."

"We had good goaltending and we stopped the HEM line," added McShane. "We can't have anymore letdowns. The kids realize that if you work hard you can beat anyone. They're a great team and it was a big win for us, but we have to keep it up."

The win for the Friars was crucial in their quest for fourth place. Currently, the Friars are tied with UNH for fourth place with 22 points. PC's remaining game is Saturday afternoon at 2:00 against the Northeastern Huskies. A Friar victory coupled with a UNH tie or loss would ensure fourth place and home ice for the quarterfinals of the Hockey East playoffs.

If you think that Saturday's game is not important, then ask Rob Gaudreau. "Every game from now on is life or death for us," warned the Friars winger/defenseman. "People started counting us out after last weekend, but we realized that we could just put it all behind us."



The Friars celebrate the winning goal