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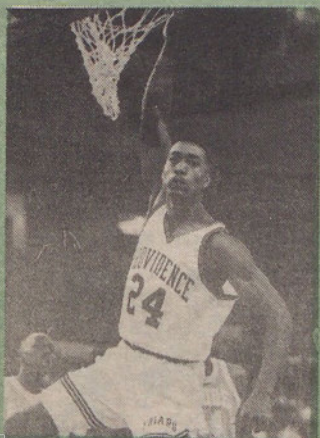
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PC Reacts to Persian Gulf Ground War and Iraqi Withdrawal from Kuwait

by Colleen Carson
News Editor &
M. Iain Thistle
Assistant News Editor

Most Americans are aware that Allied troops moved into Iraqi-occupied Kuwait on Sunday, Feb. 24. In the initial ground war attacks on Kuwait, there have been massive retreats of Iraqi troops. Official reports say that Saddam Hussein is finally responding to the UN Security Council Resolution 660, which is unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait.

Even though the soldiers are fighting thousands of miles from Providence, RI, the students and faculty of Providence College have very strong and emotional reactions to this war. There have been flags hanging from dorm and apartment windows since the beginning of the war in January. The campus is covered with yellow ribbons and, almost every student and faculty member has a yellow ribbon on his/her coat or bag. There have also been numerous lectures and panel discussions in the past two months about the Middle East Crisis. This past week, *The Cowl* has interviewed various members of the PC community to share their feelings about the ground war and possible sur-



Students demonstrate their patriotism

photo by Kevin Mullaney

render of Iraq.

ROTC VIEWS

Lt. Col. John E. Lalli, Chairman of the Military Science Department at PC, said, "It's a real testimony that the air-land-sea battle concept really works. It's a synergistic effect that all our weapons' systems work." In terms of the ground war,

Lalli said that "he was not surprised at the success of the allied troops within the first days of the battle," but at the speed which it is progressing. He sees the success of the war as a function of two things: "the professionalism of the coalition forces and lack of commitment to Saddam Hussein's cause" by Iraqi forces.

"The Iraqis are battle tired

from 40 days of pounding by Allied planes," said Lalli, and "their surrender is seen as a slap in Saddam's face. The cause of the war is coming from Saddam's quest for land, greed, and power." He also believes that Saddam Hussein will follow through on his recent promise to withdraw from Kuwait.

In response to a question about the Israelis gaining an advantage by an attack on Iraq in the future, Lalli said that "he foresaw no military benefit if Israel attacked Iraq in the near future, since it would no longer be a viable threat to Israel."

When asked about the Palestinian Question, Lalli said, "Once the war issue is resolved, I would hope that it would be brought up and a possible solution worked out because the Palestinian Question will not go away." Lalli said that the fighting will dissipate as soon the coalition forces achieve their goals, i.e. United Nations Security Council Resolution 660, in which Iraq must leave Kuwait unconditionally.

In regards to the restrictions placed on the media in reporting the war, Lalli said, "I do not have a cross to bear against it, and for the most part, I feel the media is doing a credible job. The restrictions were put in place to protect the press and continued on pg. 2

Students React to New Housing Policies

by Colleen Carson
News Editor

The new lottery program instituted by the Residence Life Office for next year's housing has caused a lot of turmoil among PC students. The changes were outlined in an article by Mark J. Ziady in last week's *Cowl*. The major problem with the new policy is that it will not allow any rooms to be blocked off for the incoming freshmen. This might create an all freshman lower campus, since upper classmen have priority in choice over lower classmen.

Fr. Joseph Tortorici, Executive Director of Residence Life, and Dennis DelGizzo, Associate Director of Residence Life, attended the Student Congress meeting on Monday, Feb. 25 to address the concerns of students. Almost every Student Congress member, and outside students attending the meeting, expressed their worries for the incoming freshmen. They feel that separating them from

the rest of the classes will be harmful to their orientation to PC.

Fr. Tortorici explained that the Residence Life Office formed a committee of students in September to examine the lottery process and suggest changes to make it better. In regards to the new policies, he stated that incoming freshmen will still be guaranteed housing and that 600 freshmen will still be given spots on upper campus. He also added that usually 25% of freshmen classes normally live in lower campus.

The Residence Life Office plans to implement programs which will meet the needs of freshmen in an all freshmen campus and orient them into the school. These programs include alcohol/drug awareness, roommate and food problems, study guides, and social and cultural integration.

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PC Selected to Represent United States in OAS

by Todd Spittler
Assistant News Editor

"Representing the United States, the delegation from Providence College..." Next November, these words will echo within the walls of the Organization of American States building, located in Washington, D.C. The OAS sponsors a model General Assembly involving nations from all corners of the globe. Roughly thirty schools are invited to attend this function as they represent their assigned country. In addition to PC, such schools as Princeton University, Georgetown University, Notre Dame University, and the University of Wisconsin are just a sample of the active participants in the OAS program.

"It is an honor and a challenge for a school to be selected," commented Dr. Trudeau, current Chairman of the Political Science Depart-

ment at Providence College. Dr. Trudeau heads the OAS at PC and selects the ten students who can travel to our nation's capital. The seats for the delegation are open to all majors and there are always more applicants than available spots. According to Dr. Trudeau, the best strategy for a successful week in Washington is quite simply, preparation. Specifically, this requires the ten member delegation to learn the "policy-making temperament" of a country, notes Dr. Trudeau. Since Providence College has been selected to represent the United States, this is especially pertinent in light of the Persian Gulf crisis that is now almost seven months old.

Helene Marsh, a PC senior and political science major,

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Persian Gulf. I don't believe they are out to kill anyone, they are there because they have to be. But, a lot of innocent people have been hurt and killed which I don't like."

In regards to the media's coverage of the war, Fr. Dabash stated, "The media are very detached from the situation, I am upset with the way they are handling the situation. They provide entertainment about the war for the people at home." Fr. Dabash does not feel that the war will last much longer. His bother's son-in-law and friend's husband is over in the Gulf.

Fr. Dabash is involved with "Operation Gift Give," a volunteer group sponsored by the PC Young Democrats which is collecting various donated goods to send to the troops.

Dr. Anwar Ahady, of the Political Science Department, wasn't terribly surprised about the ground war because it was expected to happen. "The main question was whether Iraq would accept the Soviet peace plan, but now that a ground war has started, I don't see how the war could prolong for too long. Even though this is really a military matter, I think that

with the present progression, Iraq will lose quickly."

Dr. Ahady feels that the media are doing an excellent job. "The only thing I would say is that they might be over reporting and analyzing, but the reporters are very objective, which is commendable."

Dr. Ahady has some Saudi and Kuwaiti friends in the Gulf which were classmates of his,

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but he hasn't had any contact with them for a long time.

STUDENTS REACT

Mike Crowley, class of '92, feels bad about the situation because he has good friends in Saudi Arabia. "If a ground war

must be fought, then I support the troops. My guess is that the fighting will last about a month, so I'm not worried about a draft at all."

Suzanne Maus, class of '92, supports the US helping another country, but wishes that sometimes the US would help themselves first. "The US going in and starting war is wrong. We shouldn't be over there, but since we are, we need to get rid of Hussein. Until we capture him, he won't give up." Ms. Maus worries about the draft, but feels that it will be instituted depending on how long the war lasts.

Beverly Marchetti, class of '91, is upset with the ground war because she had hoped the crisis would end before ground combat started. But she feels that it will now last a long time. "No one agrees with me," said Ms. Marchetti. "I am worried about the draft; not for me, but for my older brother." Ms. Marchetti has a lot of friends from high school

who are in the Persian Gulf.

Ed Sheridan, class of '91, said, "I am glad the ground war started because, even though all the hype over the air attack worked to start putting Hussein down, he must really see how powerful we are. I think it will be over quick, maybe a week or two, because we are so much more superior." Mr. Sheridan was worried about the draft at the beginning of the war, but now he isn't concerned. He feels it won't be necessary since the US is so much stronger than Iraq. Mr. Sheridan has a friend in the infantry on the front line of combat.

Both Ms. Marchetti and Mr. Sheridan feel that the media are commercializing the war to try to make a profit. They said that everywhere they go now, there are sweatshirts, T-shirts, and pins, with flags on them and other slogans.

STUDENT CONGRESS INVOLVED

The Freshman class of '94 sponsored the program "Petals for Peace" through which students bought yellow carnations from February 11-February 25 for \$1 each. All the proceeds will go the American Red Cross and the Freshmen class will not make any profit on the program. They have sold over 500 carnations and Marianne Monte, President of Student Congress, is very pleased with the work the Freshmen class did and their results.

Ms. Monte said that she is not surprised a ground war has started. "I am very concerned with the casualties. I know a few people, PC graduates and family friends, in the Gulf, so the news of a ground war really hit home for me. I don't want to be overly optimistic, but I think the war will last longer than most expect."

Students React to New Housing Policies

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members were against an all freshman campus. Marianne Monte, President of Student Congress, said "Dorms separated by class is not as rich an experience as class integration on campus." Tim O'Keefe, Class of '91 Representative, said, "I think integration is very important in such a small community like Providence College."

Matt Gaffney, President of BOP, said, "Most of the students speaking here will be leaving PC soon, so these new policies will not affect them. I think it says a lot that these students are strongly voicing their opinions because they are speaking out of experience." Most of the students at the meeting agreed that if they had not lived among sophomores and juniors during their freshman year, they would not have survived adapting to college life and they would not have become involved in PC activities.

Kathy Sheehy, class of '92, suggested that Residence Life continue with the current procedure and block off rooms for the incoming freshmen, which will allow for integration. "Residence Life could then

implement their new ideas slowly, which will let them work out any problems that arise."

Fr. Tortorici and Dennis DelGizzo stated that many other colleges have an all freshmen campus, such as Fairfield, Stonehill, Boston College and Holy Cross. "We have given the situation a lot of thought and plan to help the freshmen with many programs already in the works," Fr. Tortorici said. "Also we are moving towards renovations in all of the halls so the best choice of living is not as limited. But, it is up to the students to integrate themselves during the housing process."

In response to the students' concerns at the meeting, Fr. McPhail, Vice-President of Student Services, said, "Residence Life needs in writing, problems and changes anyone finds with the new program, before they can implement any adaptations. Since there is a month before the lottery, if students submit their concerns now, it will give Residence Life an opportunity to possibly re-evaluate their policies."

Correction

In last week's issue, there was an error in the article entitled "PC Spills." It stated that thousands of gallons of oil had been spilled on February 12th, but in actuality, only 400-700 gallons had been spilled. These estimates were substantiated by Mr. Ray Amoedo of Clean Harbors.

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Peace Day Panel Rescheduled

by Patrice Finn
Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council regrets the cancellation of the Peace Day Scheduled for Feb. 5th. However, they are now planning to reschedule it for March 5th. There will be a panel discussion about the Middle East on Tuesday from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Timothy Sprowls of the Rhode Island Middle East Committee will address the current situation. Dr. Ahady, from the Political Science Department, will speak about the history of the Middle East. Maryanne Donahue Lynch, from the Diocese of Providence, will address the issue of the possibility of a draft and the option of conscientious objection. The Pastoral Council also hopes to have a local politician join the discussion.

Following the panel will be a Mass for Peace in Aquinas Chapel at 4:30 p.m. There will be a poster in Slavin on Monday, March 4th and Tuesday, March 5th, where anyone can sign the names of friends and family in the Gulf. All are welcome to participate in Peace Day activities to share their concerns.

Residence Life Institutes First "Quality of Life Survey"

by Mark J. Ziady
Staff Writer

The Office of Residence Life is presently embarking on its first ever "Quality of Life Survey," in which at least half of the students residing on campus will be asked to participate.

This survey will be conducted with the use of The University Residence Environment Scale, which was created to assess the quality of life on a variety of issues concerning life in the residence halls. The scale considers three different dimensions: the relationship between students and staff members; the strength of the leadership in the residence halls; and the personal growth experienced by resident students.

Executive Director of Residence Life, Fr. Joseph Tortorici, said that the study will be administered among three different groups: residents of the apartment complexes; future residents of the apartment complexes; and students currently living in the residence halls.

Fr. Tortorici said, "This is the first time we have conducted this type of survey and we hope to be able to repeat it. It will lead to changes, over time, to improve the quality of the campus." He said that the decision to conduct this survey was jointly arrived at by the Office of Admissions and the Office of Residence Life.

The study will commence this week. Students received a notice in their Friar boxes last week which included a detailed description of the survey. The questionnaire, which is to be completed during hall meetings, will be held in each of the residence halls. It consists of 40 true-false questions, and should only take about 15 minutes to complete.

Fr. Tortorici said, "The survey is a standard research instrument which has been used at a number of colleges and universities throughout the nation since 1974. The results can be 'summarizations' of the present state of residence life at PC. We will not be able to use our results comparatively with those of other schools; however, it will take a while to develop our own data set. With this survey we will be able to compare one floor with another within a particular residence hall." The results of this survey will be published in *The Cowl*.

"We are trying to get an objective view from this survey. We are hoping to give direction to the importance of the quality of life here at PC. I think the students should want to see the results," concluded Fr. Tortorici.

Induction of History Department's Honor Society to be Held Next Week

The History Department of Providence College is proud to announce that the installation and first induction of the Alpha Epsilon Xi chapter of the Phi Alpha Theta International Honor Society in History will be held on Monday, March 4, 1991 at 7:00 p.m. in '64 Hall, Slavin Center.

Thirty-two initiates, including seventeen students and fifteen faculty members of the History Department, will be inducted at this time by Dr. Charles E. Daniel, Jr., of the University of Rhode Island, a National Councillor of Phi Alpha Theta. A banquet will follow the ceremonies for the initiates, family, friends, and honored guests.

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Two Rhode Island Residents Join PC Staff

Two Rhode Island residents have recently joined the staff of Providence College. Ronald R. Petrie, of Middletown, RI, is now the Assistant Director of Audio Visual Learning Centers, and Debra Santostefano, of Bristol, RI, is now the Assistant Director of Career Planning in the Student Development Center.

Petrie's primary responsibility in the Audio Visual Center is to educate and oversee a staff of more than thirty workers in the center. Prior to joining the PC staff in January, Petrie was an Audio Visual specialist at Mass Audio Visual Inc. in Burlington, MA. HE also worked as a Public Access Director for Heritage Cablevision and as a Public Access Coordinator/Trainer for Times Mirror Cable Television and Cox Cable Communications, Inc.

Petrie is a 1984 graduate of Rhode Island College with a

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communications. He is active in the Catholic Youth Organization of St. Mary's Church in Newport. He has also been active in the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, and the New England Handicap Sports Association, among other organizations.

Santostefano, a native of Newport, RI, graduated from the University of Southern California in 1983 with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology. She went on to obtain a Master of Arts Degree in Counseling from Boston College in 1985 and an MBA from Northeastern University, MA in 1990.

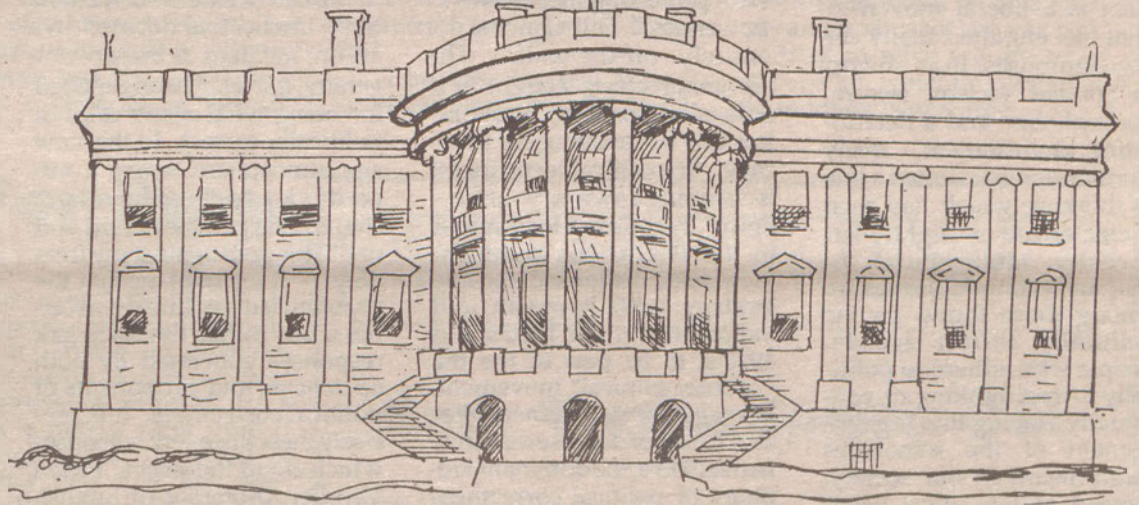
Prior to joining the staff at PC, Santostefano worked for Office Specialist in Stoughton, MA as a placement coordinator, and as a sales representative for Office Specialist in Providence.

Young Democrats Sponsors "Operation Gift Give"

To show their supports for the troops being sent to the Persian Gulf, Providence's College's Young Democrats organization will collect goods for the troops from February 18, 1991 to March 1, 1991. All goods collected will be delivered to the Westover Air Force Base in Chicopee, Massachusetts and either given to troops on their way to the Persian Gulf or sent to troops already stationed there.

Donations may be brought to the college's Pastoral Council Office, Slavin Center 212. Suggested items are: games; non-perishable foods; magazines and books; toiletries; sunblock; cookies; sunflower seeds; crackers; baby powder; deodorant; playing cards; chapstick with sunblock; and gum or lifesavers.

PC Participates in OAS



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participated in last year's OAS session and had the following remarks to offer *The Cowl*. "It was an interesting and valuable experience. The delegation arrives in Washington thinking they have a real knowledge of their country, but once you get into the thick of activities during session, you soon learn what really occurs. Sometimes, the briefings at your country's embassy is in another language and you have to wear a headset to receive the

translation of what is being said. There are only ten students selected to act in behalf of the country, so the delegation is usually broken up into smaller committees and everyone has responsibilities to fulfill. Overall, it is an elaborate and impressive event."

Providence College has participated in the OAS for the past eight years and prides itself on a successful track record. "To be invited back the next year indicates that

the program benefitted from your school's presence and the delegation it fielded," praised Dr. Trudeau.

Since the success of this program depends upon the preparedness of the delegation, now is the time to consider participating in next semester's program. There will be an informational meeting on Tuesday, March 12, in Slavin room 113. All are invited to attend and decide if they are worthy to serve as a delegate representing the United States of America.

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"Knee-Jerk" Reactions to Political Correctness: Clouding The Issues

by Lisa Cyr
Editorial Editor

The following article was compiled with citations from the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, Vol. 37, issue 12.

A recent debate surrounding political correctness has taken on an extremely personal tone. Political correctness is a liberal movement that has engulfed many college campuses. In an attempt to combat racism, sexism, homophobia, and a deteriorating environment, many students have assumed a line of thinking which has been characterized as slightly left of center. Multicultural, social, and economic issues are among those found on the politically correct agenda. People who adhere to politically correct thinking are continually voicing the disquiet of the minorities rarely heard in our society. Instead of this effort being

commended and heralded, many "see them as a form of left-wing McCarthyism and as evidence that the liberal ideal of the university as a place of free inquiry has collapsed."

History is continually changing. With each change, different agendas come more clearly into focus. One proponent of political correctness has replied that all the recent backlash can be seen as "the powerful protecting themselves as powerless." This stance is not entirely off-the-wall. The dominant view, caught in a defensive position, must allow one last ensuing cry to escape. "It (political correctness) is clamping down on your freedom." Yet, history tells us that in the 1930's the dominant view used the same defensive strategy with Marxism and Stalinism. In the 1960's and 1970's, to be part of the "counter-cultural" movement, was against the Vietnam War and forms of defense research. In the 1990's, the dominant ideology of political correctness

is an attack on our freedom, particularly our freedom of speech.

Still, many who are opposed to political correctness argue it is "a prefabricated sense of values, a predetermined set of assumptions about what is good for people and what is bad for people." However, all movements tend to have normative thrusts underlying their ideology.

Does political correctness stifle intellectual debate? In a recent incident at Brown University, a student was expelled for being what many call not politically correct. In this new age atmosphere where a minority view has been expressed, should one join the crowd and say "This goes against my freedom!?" It seems to me that the problem isn't political correctness, but rather the knee-jerk responses generated by both opponents and proponents of political correctness. It is precisely these knee-jerk responses which cloud the issues. Helen Vendler, professor of English at Harvard University responds, "the whole point of being an intellectual is to see things with reflection and from a distance. It means you don't leap to the hustings and slap up posters."

For this reason, I believe political correctness not to be the problem. The problem seems to be "fascist" steadfastness that makes people condemn others for their views. People claim that political correctness goes against peoples' freedom of speech, but would these opponents want to ban a politically correct way of thinking? It seems to me that this action is more fascist and more of an infringement of our rights than the condemnation arising from those few people caught up in the politically correct fervor.

In the end, what should be most important is that every person's viewpoint be heard. It would be a lie to say that a far right conservative point of view never condemned anyone for their thoughts. I have written for *The Cowl* for a number of years and found many notes in my mailbox condemning my personhood as well as my views. Condemnation exists everywhere, not simply at educational institutions like Brown University. Perhaps all this recent debate will eventually cease to be personally condemning, and take on a more intellectual tone. Discussion, respect, and tolerance are what is needed, not knee-jerk dehumanization!

Fire!

by Patrick R. Sparks
Asst. Editorial Editor

Free speech does not give anyone the right to yell "Fire!" in a crowded theater.

Douglas Hann should have been kicked out of Brown University, plain and simple. His actions are contrary to the very essence of higher education. And yes, all you ACLU buffs out there, his words were contrary to the spirit of the First Amendment freedom of speech clause. Mr. Hann was a menace to the Brown community, and I applaud President Vartan Gregorian for upholding his expulsion.

There has been much confusion surrounding this highly controversial subject. In light of this fact, I would like to attempt to clarify the events that led up to Mr. Hann's expulsion.

Mr. Hann has been involved in two altercations that were in violation of Brown's "Hate Code." The first incident occurred at a fraternity party where Mr. Hann assaulted another student and used several profane and racially charged words. The second and highly publicized incident, took place last October and involved another altercation between Mr. Hann and a fellow student. This altercation was precipitated by Mr. Hann as he shouted obscenities and racial slurs in the "quad" at Brown. When he was asked to stop this display, the altercation ensued.

You may ask, isn't Douglas Hann's expulsion a violation of his First Amendment right to free speech? In a strict legal sense, the First Amendment does not apply in a fundamental way to Brown University, as Brown is a private institution. However, more importantly than the words of the First Amendment, is their underlying purpose or meaning. That is, the First Amendment does not unconditionally guarantee the protection of all speech. Yelling "fire" in a theater is obviously not protected. It is my belief that the drafters of the Constitution did not intend to protect the hateful language used by Mr. Hann. The only reason that Mr. Hann is legally entitled to scream abusive words like "nigger" in public, is because the determination of what is "appro-

priate" language is highly subjective. Therefore, in order to protect all language from the threat of needless censorship, even abusive language is allowed. This type of protection in society as a whole, it seems, is a necessary evil. In the society at large freedom must be protected for everyone, even Nazis and racists.

The beauty of a private institution, is that this type of subjective standard can be applied without the fear of legal restraint. Brown had the freedom to determine that Mr. Hann's actions were truly hateful and therefore cast dispersions on the entire university community. The administration of Brown should be commended for having the strength for taking such a difficult stance.

Hate is not conducive to learning in any way. Learning after all is at the focal point of higher education. Any person who chooses to stand in the way of the free exchange of ideas (like Mr. Hann), must be actively removed when, and if it is legally possible. This is vital to learning in general. Thankfully, Mr. Hann is now free to use his insipid mouth to spit his hateful venom on the sidewalk, but not as a Brown University student.

For those of you who still think that Mr. Hann's expulsion was a blatant miscarriage of legal justice, I will let you in on a little secret. This type of administrative discipline occurs everyday at PC. Let me give you an example. Imagine that you are 21 and decide to have a keg party for all of your friends who also are of legal drinking age. A neighbor (Hi, Nancy) sees that a party is going on and calls the police to complain. The police arrive and ask you to "keep it down" and then they leave. As a courtesy to PC, the police furnish the administration with a report that you had a dreaded keg party. Although you have broken no local, state, or federal law, you are still subject to the disciplinary action of Providence College. This means that you will probably need to have a chat with PC's Judicial Officer, Ronald Kelly. Mr Kelly will then decide your fate.

You see, there is more than one system of justice in this country. There is Brown University justice, PC justice, Holy Cross justice, etc. In short, there are thousands of alternative systems of justice. They all must adhere to the Constitution, but they are free to be more strict than the Constitution.

Way to go, Vartan!

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Commentary

Another Crusade?

by David Boyle
Class of 1991

Two weeks ago, Thomas Mills wrote an article entitled "In God We Should Trust." In this article, Mr. Mills emphasized the duty of a nation to stand behind its leader, and the essential importance of holding resolute trust in a God who will guide it through the seas of peril to safer shores: "we will awaken to [a] a morning of resolve with the sun shining through." The linkage between faith and a nation fighting in unity against "the enemy" seems blatantly obvious when we observe biblical quotations and references: "Behold how good and pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity" (in reference to the importance of national unity) and "It is now for us to keep the same faith in God that David kept when challenged by the Giant Goliath."

Hopefully I will be surgical in what I have to say, since criticism of belief tends to strike a sensitive cord in some. Unfortunately what Mr. Mills wrote cannot pass by unignored. He is using religion to justify the political actions of one nation. To me this is irresponsible. Since civilization first reared its ugly head, lead-

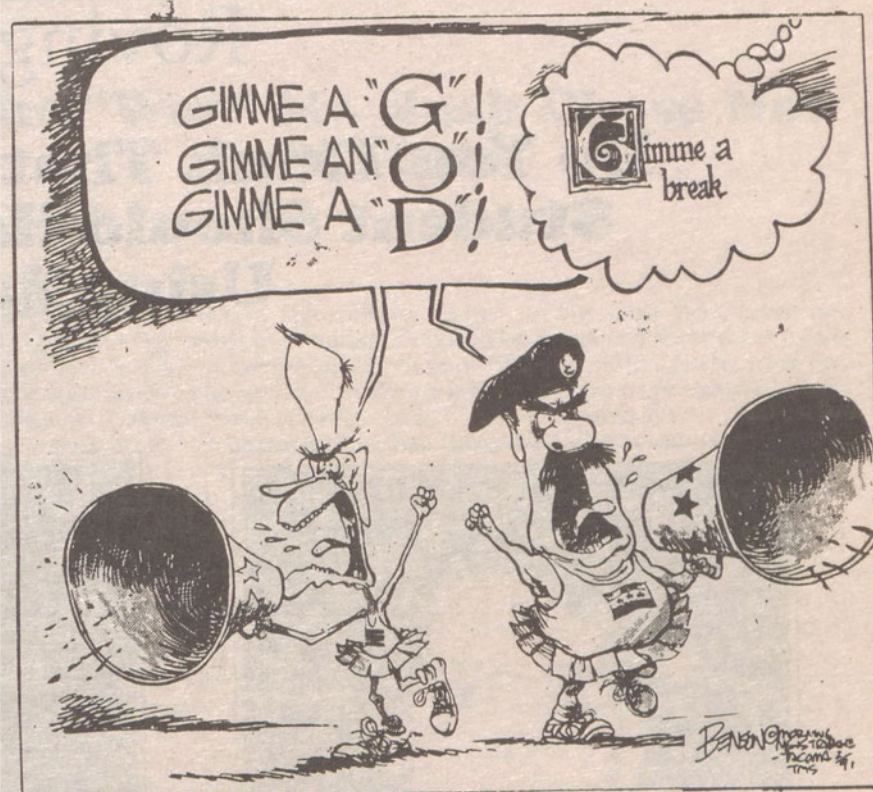
ers have been using the "I am God" or "God is behind us" motif to wage wars and crusades. People have accepted these excuses because it suddenly makes it morally righteous to kill people and steal their property. Religion is powerful. More than any other force, it has shaped the manner in which we perceive the world, and in doing so it has the potential to bring people together in love or assemble them on the battlefield. Are we going to fall into the same trap, and continue the cycle which has been repeated throughout history? Are we going to wage another crusade against the infidels?

I would like to show how the concept "God is behind us" is by its nature a destructive philosophy and why we cannot survive as a world community if a majority of its inhabitants are guided by such thoughts. First of all, our conception of God (I really hate to describe an all-encompassing deity in non-neuter terms, but for the sake of the readers' conditioning I will continue) is based on the human image of a king. The ziggurat and other "world mountains" constructed in ancient times stressed that the kingdom was a microcosm of the divine order. Any God worshipped was the possessor of an order

which the king would observe in his temporal affairs. To break the law of the king would be to break the laws of God; sometimes the king would be an incarnation of an important deity. These days, it is very hard to think of someone like George Bush as godlike, especially after being head of the CIA, but the old phantoms still linger in dusty corners. We still find a need to justify our actions and maintain a national unity through divine reinforcement.

I question your notion of unity because it is hard for me to imagine a God who would be merciless enough to bestow such an idea upon the minds of men. If we face a situation where war is waged, each side believing itself to be unified under its leader and its God, to imagine carnage as the end product of divine unity is foolish. In truth God has not imposed an order or unity among us, as much as we have imposed a limited human order upon God. It has become necessary for the human race to liberate God.

It would be better for unity to exist amongst all humans, and to extend beyond to include the earth and life contained within. I admit that this statement may seem offensive to the ears of a staunch realist, but realism alone will not change the way that the world functions. It is because we have put



our faith in war, in stupid leaders, and stupid decisions ("what is done is done," as you said) that we are who we are. You state that we are on the course that our leaders have set, and all we have to do is trust in God to guide our path. What if our actions do not deserve to be condoned? Would God fill our gas tanks for \$.40 less a gallon at the expense of our spiritual integrity?

I believe that real faith is continual search for that which

God has placed as a best a human can give to the world. When our thoughts and actions are grounded in love (which is God and through which we are united to all life) we are trusting in this force as a medium through which our lives grow away from egocentrism (in self, state, religion and race) towards interdependence. War is simply an act of fear; it shows a lack of trust in what we are truly capable of, when this essential foundation is nurtured.

Alumna Offers Prayer For Peace

by Cheryl Ann Titus Brodeur
Class of 1979

I, like most of you, have immersed myself in the daily media study of Operation Desert Storm, the Persian Gulf War. And, like most of you, I am very troubled and deeply concerned - troubled over the notion of war itself and the disbelief that war is actually being waged even as we speak and concerned about the course we have taken and will take and how all of this will affect our lives forever. And, once again, like many of you, the only antidote that seems to bring me any comfort is prayer. So, my brothers and sisters, I offer you my prayer for me, for you, for all of us. May it fall not upon deaf ears.

I pray first off, dear God, for our sisters and brothers who have committed themselves to serving in the armed forces of this and many other fine countries, who do so in the interest of preserving peace and liberty for all people. I pray for those most specifically who are actively participating in this present crisis - I pray for their parents, grandparents, spouses, children, friends and lovers. I pray that these servicemen and women return to their homelands soon and safely and that if any of their lives must be lost that God be as merciful as possible in the taking of them and that those lives be not lost in vain. I pray that courage and faith fortify these devoted people and that the desire for good - peace, liberty, freedom - motivates their every action. I pray that their families who anxiously await their return home are

blessed with support, human compassion and love. I pray that the people of their nations respect the decisions that brought them from their warm and comfortable homes to the war zone of a world quite foreign to many of them and that those nations continue to support them no matter how long they must remain there. I pray that the children of these people never again see war in their lifetime.

I pray for President Bush and all the other allied forces' nations' leaders - I pray that God grant them wisdom, courage and a burning desire for peace. I pray that they buckle not under the fear and pressure they assuredly must feel right now and that they seek proper guidance whenever they doubt or question. I pray for the military leaders here and abroad, that their hearts be not hardened to the war, to those people of Iraq who do not support Mr. Hussein, and to the other innocents of the Arab world whose good, freedom-loving hearts are known only to God. I pray for the brutalized people of Kuwait who witness daily the ravage of their tiny country. I pray for the Arab nations all of whom are faced with very difficult decisions at this time and particularly those nations who are already embroiled in this already bitter battle in their homeland.

I pray for the patriots who proudly display their flags and yellow ribbons in support of our troops and for the war protestors who equally proudly march for peace. It is the freedom for which we fight, the freedom for which we have always fought, that

grants us both the basic right to express our opinions publicly and freely - let neither of us get so caught up in our right to express that we forget that a right is only a right until it infringes upon the right of another and that this war, regardless of our individual opinion, is already being fought. Fellow human beings are putting their lives on the line for us, and others like us across the globe, because most of us believe that no one person, group or nation should violate the freedom of another nation and its people. Dear God, let us not forget that the troops did not start this conflict - the troops of the allied forces did not invade Kuwait and rape and pillage her people - an army led by a man named Saddam Hussein did. This is the enemy, not the American and allied forces' troops. I pray that we do not forget this as we choose our side in this very painful issue.

Last, I pray for Saddam Hussein - that God will judge him less harshly than I, that God will somehow impart to him a vision of peace and freedom that will change his heart now and forever, and that God will forgive him for what he appears to have done. Amen.

Oh, and p.s., dear God, I pray for the members of the world's news organizations - the journalists, broadcasters, photographers, reporters, cameramen and crews - keep them out of harm's way and help them to report what they see and hear and feel - accurately, judiciously, truthfully, impartially and sensitively - in such a way as to educate and inform, to dispel fear (where and when possible) and to foster universal good will. Shalom!

Letters To The Editor

Rape Victim Speaks Out

Dear Editor:

I have experienced a very personal trauma that has affected my everyday life - I was raped. I have learned a lot of things from this experience and can only hope to help other victims and prevent further occurrences. I now truly believe it can happen anywhere and to anyone.

I had always been bored with the rape lectures, etc. - How stupid can you be not to know what rape is? Well, it's a lot more complicated once it's happened to you. What to do afterwards and the different feelings that overcome you are not simple. A lot of decisions need to be made personally, legally, medically, etc. I had always felt pretty responsible and respectable. I really like to have fun when the weekends come along, but being raped on a night when I was extremely intoxicated really diminished my sense of responsibility and maturity. However, rape is a violent and a domineering act, even though it might seem very sexual. It took me a while to understand this after my experience. I was raped by a guy I met at a club one night. I don't know why I ended up at his apartment. I wasn't attracted to him, but once I was there it was all over. If I hadn't been so drunk it probably could have been avoided or I could have planned a more successful escape. However, I know I am not to blame. It happened and I have to live with it. I have been told that I was the "perfect victim" - drunk and alone when I met him. Some who saw me earlier that night laugh at how drunk and funny I was - but look where it got me - if only they knew. I sure value life much more and don't want to experience a loss of control like that again. I am now going to try to do what will fulfill myself and not let others stop me.

I have heard rumors of other females on this campus being raped and I feel support and counseling is very important, even if they don't want their case made known. I felt pretty alone after it happened to me even though I had a lot of people supporting me, but since they've never had such an experience I had trouble communicating with them and I think they had difficulty understanding.

I feel a support group at this school could benefit victims of rape or sexual abuse. If anyone is interested in joining and helping me start a small, confidential support group for male and female students, please drop a note of interest with you box # (and name and phone number if you like) into *The Cowl* Editorial box. It will be confidential and forwarded to me.

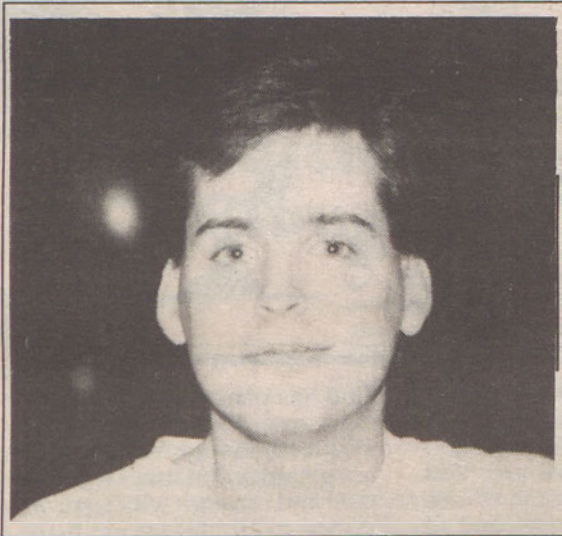
Thank you

Editors Note: Due to the personal nature of this letter, an executive decision has been made to withhold this woman's name.

Editorials

Roving Photographer

Do You Think That The Brown University Student Should Have Been Expelled For Using Racial Slurs?



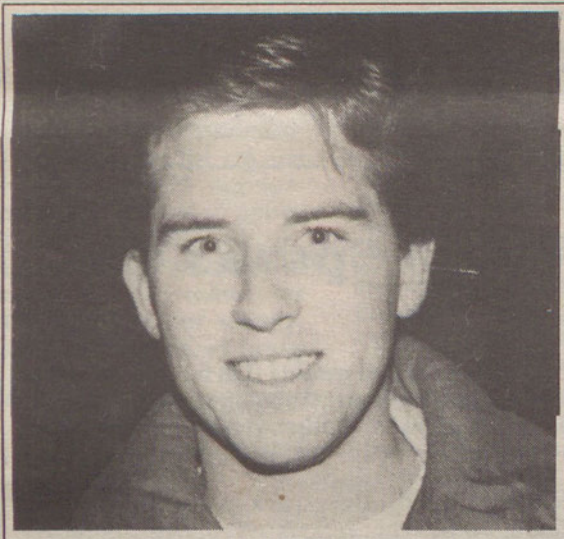
Ken Duval '91: I think they did have the right to expel him because where he said it was the main issue. If he was in a public place he has the right to say it, but if it's under the private ownership of any institution he should be subject to their wrath.



Brian Roberts '92: No, they just should have reprimanded him.



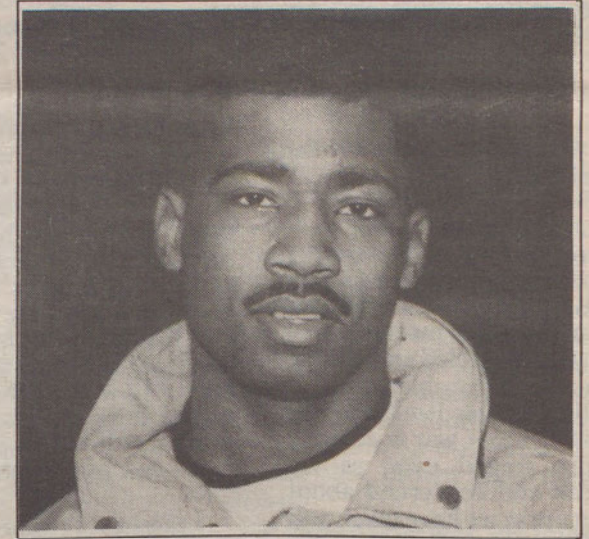
Lori Duncan '92: Yes, I think he should have been expelled because it will keep other people from doing the same thing.



Rich Diegnan '91: If it was against policy, I guess he should have been kicked out.



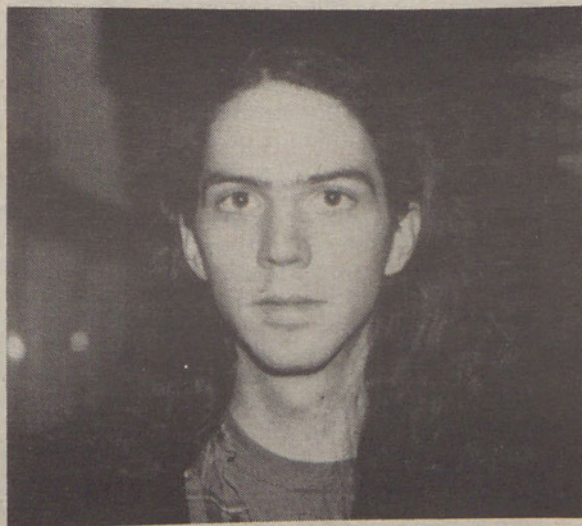
Danielle Hurtz '94: I don't really think he should have been kicked out of school, just punished for it. Being kicked out of school is a little harsh.



Chris Watts '91: I think that if it's the school rule then they should follow up on it, but here at PC where they may not have that rule, then it's only his opinion.



Pam Hamilton '94: I don't know about expelled, but definitely punished to some extent.



Brian Holt '91: No, I don't think it's fair to tell people what they can and cannot say.



Scott Pianowski '92: The punishment might have been a little harsh but I think it's important that a university show that discrimination or degradation of someone's character, skin color, religion, or anything like that, is definitely wrong and should not be tolerated.

What About My Refund!

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter to voice my complaints against Fr. Haller and the Special Events Office. I feel that I was treated insensitively by Fr. Haller, who refused to see me so that I could discuss with him a situation concerning the Parents' Weekend Dinner Dance. Due to a last minute emergency, one of my parents was unable to attend the event. When I called Fr. Haller's office prior to the event (Friday morning) I was told that refunds were no longer being given regardless of the circumstances. When I attempted to explain my problem to Fr. Haller's secretary, Joann, I was told somewhat curtly, that I could not be refunded because the school had already paid the caterers. I persisted in my attempt to speak to Fr. Haller personally, but none of my three calls was returned and each time I phoned I was not allowed to speak to Fr. Haller directly as he was always unable to come to the phone.

Monday morning, I made an appointment to see Fr. Haller. When I arrived for my 9 a.m. appointment on Thursday morning, Joann told me that Fr. Haller would have to reschedule my appointment because he was going on a retreat. Upon entering the office, I had overheard Fr. Haller conversing with Joann and knew he was in his office, but Fr. Haller was obviously too busy to give me 15 minutes of his time. So I made a new appointment for the following Wednesday at 2 p.m.

At 9 a.m. Wednesday morning I received a phone call from Joann, informing me that Fr. Haller would have to cancel my morning appointment. Perhaps this mistake as to the time of my appointment was truly an error. Regardless, Joann informed me that she had spoken to Fr. Haller regarding the reason for my appointment so that I wouldn't have to waste my time and that Fr. Haller would be unable to refund me the ticket money. Obviously the reason I had rescheduled my first appointment was that I did not consider it a "waste of time." Perhaps Fr. Haller and Joann felt that the appointment was a waste of time - his time - which might explain the two appointment cancellations. When I mentioned that I had heard that PC had made a rather large profit on the event, Joann had nothing further to say.

As an English major, I have taken several courses in which the authors studied have written in protestation to the questionable treatment of man by his fellow man. I can't help but wonder if the phrases "ignoring an individual's inherent worth" or "denying an individual's existence" mean anything to Fr. Haller. I pay a large sum of money to attend PC and deserve to be considered and treated as a person of individual worth. Thank you Fr., Haller for refusing to give me 15 minutes of your time and denying my value as a person.
Laurie Piacentini, '91

Crusade for Freedom or Excuse to Kill?

Dear Editor:

The reports of Gulf deaths in the last few days have neglected one large statistic: 30,000 to 40,000 Iraqis have been killed in this assault on Hussein. Somehow George Bush has justified this war as a crusade for freedom, emphasizing that the U.S. has an argument with Saddam, not with the Iraqi people. How can we claim this when up to 40,000 Iraqis have been slaughtered? Our guise of democracy is wrought with censorship and missed information.

This staggering statistic is just that, missed information. The U.S. has used propaganda to dehumanize the Iraqis considering the terms "Sand Nigger" and "Towel head" have popped up to further emphasize our racist inclinations. No one can deny our true economic objectives in this war, but what about the value of human life? Our nation leaves itself open to criticism on this topic. Not only are we incapable of taking care of our own people, i.e. the homeless, poverty-stricken, etc. but our military objectives include killing innocent victims. This is evident through the mass surrendering of the Iraqi troops forced into this war as "reservists". As much as I condemn the Persian Gulf war and its pseudo-objectives, I can understand the UN objectives being enforced by the Allied forces. But the soldiers on both sides are nevertheless trapped as pawns in a political game.
Joe Flueckiger, '91

Friars Club Not Subordinate To Rugby Team

Dear Editor:

The Providence College Rugby Football Club (PCRFC) has recently returned from a very enjoyable trip to New Orleans where we participated in a tournament. The club wishes to express their gratitude to all those who supported our team. Without this support our trip would not have been possible. However, one particular group of individuals deserves special attention as a result of their outstanding generosity, tolerance and consideration. This group is the Friars Club.

Unfortunately, there is a situation which must be addressed and clarified. The PCRFC, in efforts to raise funds, created a controversial T-shirt logo and design which highlights the paradox of our two respective clubs. This logo states, "It's better to play rugby and lose than to be in the Friars Club." What needs to be clarified is the fact that this shirt in no way chastises the Friars Club. Their club includes approximately 70 members and is an excellent club, indeed. The rugby shirts were used as a facility to create income and not used as a slanderous mockery aimed at the Friars Club.

This controversial slogan is a derivative from other slogans such as, "It's better to play rugby and lose than to play softball and win," slogans which have been viewed at other schools. To make the shirt more interesting and relevant to the "P.C. scene," Providence rugby generated the current shirt. We repeat, this in no way deems the Friars Club subordinate to the rugby club! Not only are they respected peers but they are also comrades and friends with many of us ruggers. Providence rugby is very apologetic if we have offended anyone.
Providence Rugby Football Club

The "War" Mr. Bush Chose Not To Fight

Dear Editor:

The reflexive acceptance of the military "spin" on the Gulf War, what one columnist has called "ignorant nationalism," should be tempered somewhat by the facts reported by Lisa Cyr and Anne M. Lee in your February 13th edition. Mss. Cyr and Lee have done an exceptional job documenting the arbitrary response of the Bush administration to different instances of so-called "naked aggression."

While we gear-up for the ground war, Mr. Bush, his military advisors and the coalition forces seem to want so badly, we continue to ignore the "war" at home which many analysts argue will be our undoing ultimately. The consequences of ignoring the casualties mounting on the domestic battlefield, warrants some attention. Your article on the state of the American family, in the same edition of the Cowl, speaks to this point.

It can be said rightly that the decade of the eighties was a disaster for children. By almost every measure taken, in and out of government, the battle against poverty, disease and ignorance was being lost.

According to a recent PBS program, infant mortality in the U.S. was 38% higher than in Canada. This is not surprising since 95% of women in Canada get prenatal care while only 75% of prospective mothers in the U.S. see a physician during their pregnancy. These figures reflect the fact that in America, 37 million persons, mostly poor, have no health insurance; in Canada everyone has national health insurance. These conditions are not outside of our control, they reflect our values and the choices we make as a nation. A nation can spend its money on war making or on measures to assure its citizen's health.

In point of fact, we would rather wage wars than use sanction against outlaw nations. Sanctions, while slower, do work. Witness the changes in South Africa due to sanctions. According to early CIA estimates, the coalition could have prevailed against Iraq by the use of sanctions (the CIA changed its tune when Bush decided to go on the offense in the Gulf in November 0- even the CIA knows not to buck the President).

Had we stuck with sanctions, we could have used the 50 billion spent on the Gulf War to reduce infant mortality in this country. In addition, we could have reduced the deficit, provided low interest mortgages to first time home buyers and done a myriad of other good things for the economy and our citizens. The fact is we choose to fight another war, a foreign war, rather than the "war" at home.

What we must understand is that these decisions have consequences. Fighting Iraq, while an arguable strategy, carries with it consequences: the possibility of thousands of American casualties, added national debt and a lack of attention to solutions to domestic problems, to name but three. While the U.S. will prevail in Iraq, using the administrations' criteria, we will have further weakened ourselves at home by our adventurism in the Gulf. How long can we ignore the problems at home while we undertake these police actions abroad? Time will tell.

For many Americans it may be too late. The Center for the Study of Social Policy, an analysis group located in Washington, recently reported that in the 80s, poverty amount white, black and Hispanic children increased by 36%, 15% and 31% respectively. Many of these children have been battered by poverty for so long that they are lost to the socialization processes that assure literacy and good citizenship. For these children, the war is over. Yet, they are out there in our nation acting as a drag on economic growth and social stability. Their despair saps their strength and ours. It didn't have to be that way. As a nation we chose not to fight the battle to save them. Social and economic aggression was not the "war" that Mr. Bush and his mentor, Ronald Reagan, chose to fight in the 80s. For that choice, we will all pay in the 90s and thereafter.

Yours very truly,
John J. Colby, Ph.D.
Professor of Psychology

Unconscientious Slime Pigs?

Dear Editor:

Has anyone recently looked on the grounds of Eaton St. and its surrounding area? There are over 75 houses on Eaton, Oakland, Radcliffe, and Pembroke. Have you seen the filth which surrounds college homes? I know what you're thinking...Oh, no, not another letter criticizing the lack of respect of the students at Providence College. Well, normally I take that same viewpoint when I hear about complaints involving excessive student drinking, loud noise, and parties. After all, this type of behavior goes with the territory and is fully supported by myself.

However, littering like an ignorant slob is something I don't support. Look on the ground anywhere outside Providence College property! There's big gulp cups, beer cans and bottles, potato chip bags, nacho containers, pizza boxes, etc...Although I'm not a big fan of Miss Nancy Palmisciano and her crusading PC badmouthers, I'm sure that they are much too proud and proper to drink beer and eat yuck truck subs (If you like subs and beer - Nancy, I stand corrected). The simple fact is, this is our mess! Have any of you littering dirtbags ever been taught even the rawest form of environmental etiquette? What type of social responsibilities have you learned in twenty years if you don't even have the common courtesy to clean up after yourself? Have a little respect for the community and wildlife around you.

Today when you get home, if you want to do something positive, take 15 minutes to go outside and clean up in front of your house. If you get really daring, you could pick up your slovenly neighbor's yard, too. Also, if you go to a party or bar and somehow create trash, throw it in a barrel...it's that simple! If you're driving your car and you're done with your soda or cancer stick, dispose of them properly, not out your window. Finally, if you don't like litter and see someone who does, tell them what a complete and unconscientious slime pig they are.
Chris Sousa, '91

Student Congress

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THIS SIGN???

Sidelines Needs Student Support

By John Ryan
Class of '94 Vice-President

Sharon Hay is the Director of Slavin Center. This position was created for her. She is also in charge of Sidelines.

JR: Has Sidelines lived up to your expectations in attendance and profitability?

Sharon: No! Some days we're packed like when we played B.C. Most of the time there isn't enough attendance. Advertising hasn't been good enough.

JR: In Slavin Center, Sidelines is advertised with a Neon sign and two sign boards that are difficult to see. Have you considered moving these signs to more traveled areas in Slavin so students can be better aware of its location and thus advertise more effectively?

Sharon: Yes! Mr. Habis has been contacted and we're in the process of finding new places to advertise.

JR: What other forms of advertising are you undertaking and have they been successful?

Sharon: Advertising has been met with little success. Every week the R.A.'s are informed about programs at Sidelines. On February 6th 2000 mail boxes stuffed with advertising for this

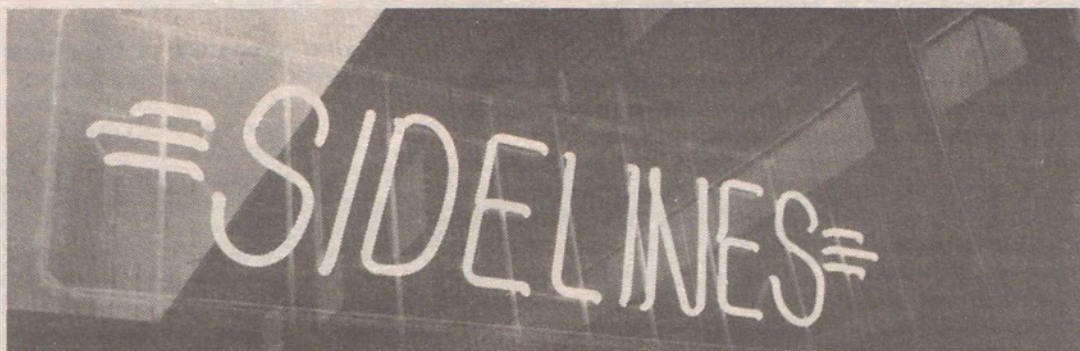


Photo by Kevin Mullaney

month. One flyer in everyone's mailbox for each month. There were spot stuffings last semester. We want to conserve and save paper. There are announcements in Raymond Cafe, Ads in The Cowl every week, table tents, leaflets on Ronzio box tops and leaflets under doors. There is also a display case in lower Slavin advertising up and coming events.

JR: What types of entertainment are offered at Sidelines?

Sharon: In the process of planning an "After 8" series which will be taking place alternate Fridays and Saturdays beginning Friday, March 1st. It will include live entertainment like the Coffee House

performances, student groups, and a Star Search talent night is being considered. Performers will win prizes. We'll be having themes for different weeks (ex. comedians, magicians). These themes will be announced in the end of February.

JR: It is the consensus of much of the student body that alcohol can be served successfully at Sidelines without it being abused. Drinks can be limited per student and only those of age would be served. When is alcohol served and could it be served more often?

Sharon: Once a week we hire professional bartenders. We combine this with an event at Sidelines. We use an "*" to say when a professional bartender will be there. We won't serve

alcohol more often. We need to see how serving once a week works out and how many students use the services. Sidelines was built more as a juice bar.

JR: What other food and beverages are offered?

Sharon: Juice, soda, cooked products, free popcorn and "After 8" refreshments. Ronzio will deliver to persons tables.

JR: What are the hours Sidelines is open?

Sharon: Monday - Friday 6pm-2a.m., Saturday and Sunday Noon-2a.m.

JR: When the weather improves will it be possible to utilize the

area adjacent to Sidelines for special events?

Sharon: We'll be having barbecues when the weather is nice. We'll offer a meal for half its regular price and use this area for this event.

JR: Advertising hasn't been successful, what are you doing to remedy this?

Sharon: We've been randomly stuffing the mailboxes of half the student body. We're planning to bring individual floors down for the evening. These floors would receive special attention at Sidelines. We want to work with B.O.P. to have more events. Sidelines also offers 5 TV's, a pool table, basketball game and video games.

Sidelines Sports Calendar:

Men's Basketball:
Feb. 23 vs. BOSTON COLLEGE 8p.m.
Mar. 2 vs. VILLANOVA 8p.m.
Men's Hockey:
Feb. 20 vs. BOSTON COLLEGE 7p.m.

Reminder:
After 8 Series starts this Friday from 9p.m.-11p.m. This first one features three Comedians from Boston. Please support Sidelines!

Remember When???

By Kristin J. DeAngelis
Assist. Student Congress

Think back to your freshman year. Is there anyone who stands out in your mind that helped you adjust (survive) to that new beginning? It could have been a new friend, roommate, or RA.

However, it may have been that sophomore on your floor that you looked up to so much. He or she was the one who said, "It's okay. I failed my first Civ quiz, too" or "Don't worry, it took me a week to remember my combo to my room" or even, "Hey, don't walk home alone from Louie's, EVER!"

Whatever they may have said or did - it helped you feel like there was proof that you would survive the torture and embarrassment you felt as a freshman.

I look back on my sophomore year with some of the greatest memories. Now I was the sophomore on the floor. The freshmen on my floor were shy at first, but with a little instigation from my roommates (Amy and Tracy), "All right. What did the freshman do to my bed, now?" often echoed down the hallway. They became right at home - right away.

All the sophomores on our floor were always there for the freshman for a shoulder to cry on, for clothes to borrow, for rooms to study in, and for options to run.

This year, the Residence Office wants to change the lottery system. One of the new additions is an "open campus" rule, meaning no rooms will be blocked off for incoming freshmen.

Now every student here knows, barring extenuating circumstances, if given a choice of the whole campus, he or she will not pick to live on lower campus.

This means that lower campus will further be reduced to a freshman campus. Lower campus is horrible enough as a freshman, but without many upperclassmen to turn to in time of need - it can be a nightmare! RA's simply cannot be in the dorms at all times, but as of now there may be a sophomore around the corner to come to the rescue.

The administration would like to think of PC as one big family. This lottery system may cause class unity, but it will cause a great disunity between the classes. So long happy family. Granted there

will be some sophomores out of luck on lower campus, but they will be even more disgruntled than usual, then if they had participated in a fair lottery system.

In the Student Congress meeting on Monday, Father Tortorici and Dennis DelGizzo came to listen to the ideas and concerns of the students about this new lottery system. Several members of the Friar's Club, a few RA's, and many members of the Student Congress vehemently opposed this "open campus" policy, which would destroy the "one big happy family" image.

Many pointed out that many students choose PC because they do not have a segregated freshman campus. Most also agreed that they did not know what they would have done without a certain sophomore on their floor who made them laugh at themselves when they most needed to. Most of these students protesting were, almost not surprisingly, juniors and seniors.

If you feel strongly about supporting the blocked off rooms for incoming freshman in order to provide them, as well as everyone, with a "big happy family" image, then please write to Residence. Nothing can be done without written support. Please think about it.

To all the sophomores on my floor freshman year, thanks! And to all the freshmen on first floor Meagher last year - a B and a U, F F & P, and leave my bed alone!

**"It's okay.
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first
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too."**

Course Description Booklet Evaluation

Within the next week or so, the Course Description Committee will be mailing out surveys to the entire student body.

The survey pertains to the Course Evaluation booklet issued last semester. As the Course Description Committee is preparing for its evaluation period in the fall, we are extremely interested in your thoughts and comments regarding the effectiveness and value of this resource material.

We would appreciate student's responses to the booklet in that the purpose of the booklet is to assist students in registering for their courses.

Please drop off the completed survey in the Student Congress Office (Slavin 109). Your input would be highly appreciated.

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

"Petals for Peace" has been a tremendous success, selling 700 yellow carnations. All proceeds will go to the American Red Cross. Thank you for PC's support and let's pray for the safe return of our troops.

Seniors:

You have until 3/8/91 to get your senior portraits taken. This is your LAST CHANCE! Call T.D. Browne @ 781-6320.

For those of you that have already had them taken, you MUST mail your proofs in by 3/8/91 or your picture WON'T be printed in the YEARBOOK!

Providence College

Drag out Those Sleeping Bags! Big East Tickets Go On Sale

By Amy Umland
Executive Secretary

Everyone ready to get out their sleeping bags? Why? Because BIG EAST TICKETS go on SALE Tuesday, March 5th at 8:30 a.m. and the Friar Fanatics go CRAZY!

Over the years that I've attended PC, I can remember everyone lining up several hours beforehand to make sure they got their Big East Tickets before they were all sold out.

Sleeping out is an event in itself! Along with all the excitement of buying the tickets and going to the game, comes the fun of meeting new people.

But, if you're not planning to sleep out because you either have too much homework due or you're just one of those people who needs the perfect conditions to sleep (cushy mattress, cosy blankets-not that you have those things anyways), then I'd advise you to rise bright and early on Tuesday morning. Tickets will start to go on sale at 8:30 a.m. in the Student Congress Office in Slavin 109. The price of the game ticket is \$10.00.

Mmm... Sounds great, but now you're wondering how you're going

to get to New York. Well...for \$15.00 the ticket cost is covered, plus it includes a bus ride!

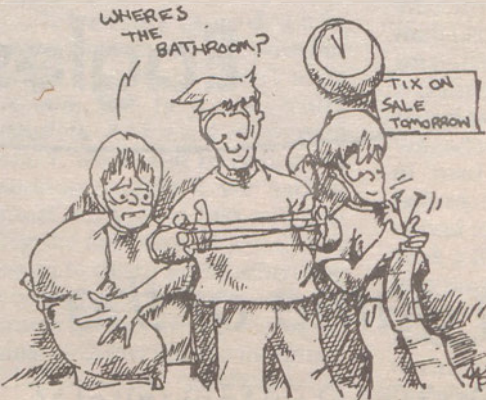
Since the Friars will be playing on Thursday night at 7:00, buses will leave PC at 1:00 p.m. You'll arrive in time to grab some dinner and then off to the game! It'll be a night of real entertain-

ment as the Friars play their best at the Big Apple.

With a record of 6-9 in the Big East, Rick Barnes quotes, "We are not dead yet. Anyone who thinks we are, is wrong. We're going to make a few teams in New York wish they weren't playing us." That's the spirit, Rick! C'mon everyone let's show our team support and go to New York to cheer them on.

If the Friars win on Thursday night, they'll play Friday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. All students who attended Thursday's game will have first priority to buy Friday's tickets. Tickets will be sold on Thursday night, after the game on the bus. The remaining tickets will be sold on Friday morning in the Student Congress office.

There are very LIMITED TICKETS-one ticket per person with school ID and \$15.00 which includes bus-good deal) and a set of lungs ready to scream and cheer on our Friars! So for a change of pace and at least one night of fun, buy your tickets ASAP! I suggest everyone to try to attend the Big East Tournament at least once during their PC college career.



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until 1:30

HIGH FINANCES

By Meghan McCarthy
Class of '93 Treasurer

Kathleen Ley is the treasurer of Student Congress and is, therefore, in charge of the clubs' finances.

Meghan: Were the various clubs and organizations satisfied with the amount of money they received?

Kathleen: Clubs and organizations have never been able to receive the exact amount they ask for. The Student Activity Fund is simply not large enough to accommodate every club's full request. Generally speaking, the majority of clubs and organizations were satisfied with the amount of money they received. No club was paralyzed or prevented from holding events because of an exceptionally low allocation. Clubs have been holding events all year and those who needed additional funds have raised them independently.

Meghan: Have a majority of the clubs used the allocated money efficiently?

Kathleen: With the exception of one or two, the various clubs have been using their money efficiently. This means that they have been programming events for students interested in particular areas, as well as budgeting their funds so that they will last all year.

Meghan: Will there continue to be a shortage in money if the organizations continue to overspend?

Kathleen: Organizations are prevented from overspending once

their allocated amount has been exceeded, their money is gone and there is no way to receive more. At this point, the account is frozen; Congress and the Treasurer's office can no longer pay the club's bills.

Meghan: What are the penalties to clubs and organizations that overspend?

Kathleen: If a club does overspend, the amount overspent is taken directly out of the following years allocation for that particular organization. For example, if the Bowling Club overspends \$150, next year's Bowling Club will have \$150 skimmed directly off the top of its allocation.

Meghan: Will Commencement and JRW be effected by the money deficit?

Kathleen: If there is gross overspending, all clubs funded by the Activity fund will suffer, including Commencement and JRW.

Meghan: What exactly are the various clubs and organizations doing with their money?

Kathleen: Exactly what the clubs are doing with their money depends on the nature of each particular organization. Academic-oriented clubs spend money on speakers. Others purchase bus service to museums, etc.

Many use their money to put on dances or socials. BOP uses its money to program movies, trips, and other entertainment for students. Student Congress pays for a lawyer accessible to students involved in legal matters. The shuttle bus to Kennedy Plaza and downtown, among other things.

Meghan: How does the shortage in funds effect the success of possible future clubs?

Kathleen: Any club has every right to officially organize itself, as long as its constitution is passed by Father McPhail and the Student Congress. However, it must be noted that the more clubs there are, the smaller each club's allocation will be, since the Finance Committee is working with a set amount to allocate to over 50 clubs.

Meghan: How does Student Congress plan to increase the amount of allocations?

Kathleen: The only way to increase the amount of allocations is to increase the Student Activity Fee. This fee is part of the annual tuition that every Providence College student pays. Because it is the student's money that they are being allocated, clubs and organizations are called on to spend efficiently, trim "fat" off their budget, fundraise, and spend wisely, making the best of what they have.

Peaceful Coexistence Communication Is The Key

By Marianne Monte
Executive President

As the tenure of the 41st Student Congress winds down, it is time for me to see what has improved and what has stayed stagnated over the past year. One of the main goals of this Congress was to improve relations with the neighbors.

I will be honest and say that there were days this past fall when I was discouraged; not about the situation itself but because students and neighbors were not communicating.

All of us on Student Congress felt one of the essential problems was that we did not even know our neighbors. Instead of having the police or the media be the intermediary we wanted all of us to get to know one another and work together towards a common agreement.

One of the most effective ways to voice concerns and opinions is in the Elmhurst Coalition meetings. This committee is made up of students, neighbors, administrators, and police who discuss many of the issues that face us all.

I must say the two neighborhood representatives (Mr.

Edward Smith and Mr. Mal Manocchio) serve everyone in the neighborhood very effectively. They offer very helpful suggestions and constructive criticism so that we can all understand and work on them as a cohesive group.

Together with dedicated administrators, concerned students and honest neighbors I believe we are surely heading towards solutions for everyone, and we are finally communicating.

As students we value the Peaceful Coexistence newsletter not only to keep our neighbors informed but also to meet them! We had over 150 students distribute our last publication; remember that was only our third issue. I am sure that that number will continue to grow and eventually we all will know each other not as the loud college kids next door, but as good neighbors who peacefully coexist.

If you would like to become involved in the distribution of Peaceful Coexistence please stop by the Congress Office, Slavin, Rm. 109 and leave your name and phone number. The next distribution is this Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

Student Congress Minutes 2/25

Minutes for the February 25th meeting are as follows:

Announcements:

- March 5th Big East Tickets go on sale at 8:30 am.
- Peaceful Coexistence- Saturday March 2nd

Committee Reports:

Course Description: Professors' response has been mailed back-positive, surveys being sent out.

Elections: The Executive elec-

tions include: IAB, BOP, OCRO, ACC, and Residence Board.

Student Life: Redoing the Student Congress Get Involved pamphlet, shuttle bus still running every Saturday night.

Public Relations: Keep Providence Beautiful -April, next Tuesday-Peace Day..

Rules were then suspended to discuss the possible new lottery system.

Students whose Parents' Weekend envelopes indicate a refund due MUST pick up their refunds from the office of Special Events, Slavin 216 by this Friday.

**The Providence College
Basketball Friars**



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**The Boston College
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*in the qualifying game of the
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at

Madison Square Garden

**Thursday
March 7
at 7:00pm**

Student Congress

will sell a limited number of student tickets on

Tuesday, March 5 at 8:30am

in Room 109 Slavin Center.

(Only one (1) ticket per person with a student ID.)

- ◆ Cost of the trip is \$15 (includes bus and ticket); ◆
\$10 for game ticket only. Bus will depart campus on
Thursday at 11:30 pm and return after the game.

Features

In Sickness And In....

By Alana Tarro
Features Writer

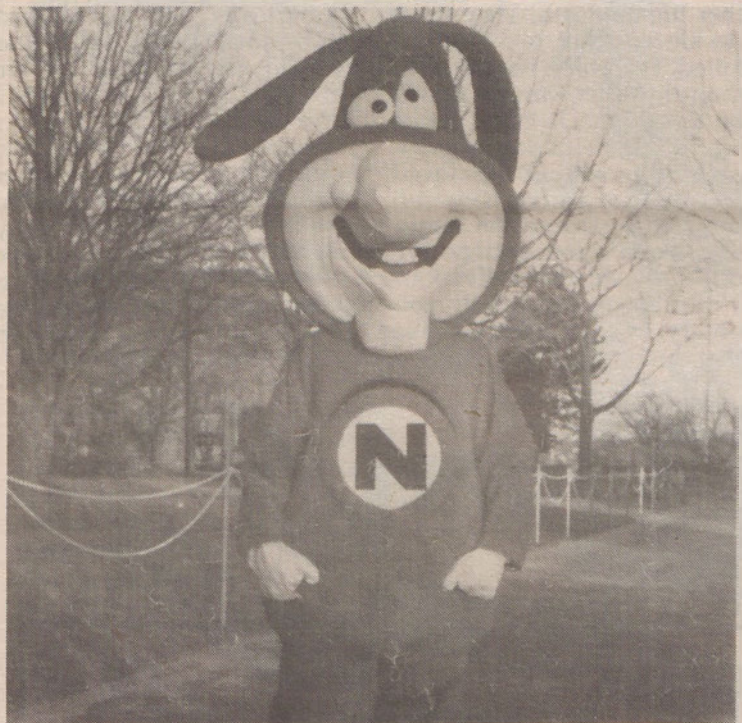
It was just last week when the changes of the infirmary really hit me. Primarily, the changes to which I am referring are the lack of beds, there being none, and the reduction of hours. It was these alterations that kept my roommate bedridden for a week where her only relief meant a four hour train ride home to Mom.

She had been complaining of aches and pains and overtiredness all week, but my third roommate and I found this unalarming because she is a chronic sleeper. Besides, who doesn't ache from their pains now and again? However, when she fainted from overexerting herself by taking a shower, we started taking her complaints to heart.

It was between the hours of 12:30 am and 7 am last Thursday that I began to question the logic of the changes in the infirmary. It wasn't until about 1:30 am when the girls on our floor decided to pack it in from the hallway and call it a night. Between the exterior noise from

our room and the need for my other roommate and I to move about the cabin freely, she received much less sleep than she needed. That night it didn't really matter though, because she was getting sick to her stomach for the better half of it. My roommate and I took turns cracking the Pepto-Bismol every few hours and groggily wondering what else we could do to help her out. The fact is that there was nothing we could do beyond giving her medicine, which apparently wasn't working, and putting a cold cloth on her head to cool her down.

It basically came down to us staying up all night with her when in fact she didn't even receive the help she really needed. As for my roommate and I, we would have been in serious trouble if we had to exert our brains past not taking the next day. It just didn't seem to make sense when she could have been cared for much better without having to deal with the chaos in the dorm. This is not to mention what our germ-infested room will be doing to us in the meantime.



You can't avoid The Noid at PC

Beating The Buying Bonanza

Megan Grennan
Asst. Features Editor

I've always considered myself a good shopper. I can't play sports, I'm lousy at math, I'm not at all musically inclined, but spend money? That I can do. Cash, check, or charge, regular price or wholesale, department store or boutique... these are my specialties. I take my job as a consumer very seriously, and do my best to consume as much as possible.

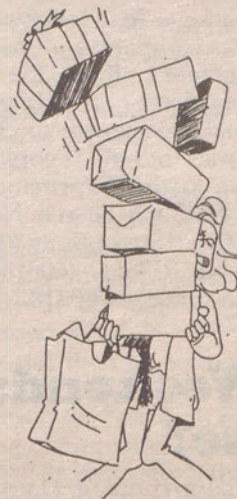
Being the diligent buyer that I am, I bravely gathered my bearings and hit the mall last week. I dragged my unwilling, apprehensive roommate along with me for companionship. Having waged war with the battalions of mad shoppers the week before, she was not much inclined to try her luck again. It took a few sales fliers, a helpless pouty lip and a reminder of my secret weapon to win her over. Yes, I have been divinely endowed with a gift that allows me to fend off even the pushiest of rack-hogs and aisle-stoppers. I only resort to using them when I am forced to do so, but my dagger-like elbows have been known on occasion to cause damage to mall-goers throughout the continental US. Buyers, beware!

Knowing how quickly the parking lot can fill up, we planned to set out early in the morning so as to get there by the time the mall was to open. But, as usual, our desire for sleep won out and we didn't arrive until mid-afternoon. Being the optimists that we are, we anticipated no problems and got to the mall with our pockets full of money and our hearts dying to spend it. However, our dreams were deferred. Cars were parked in the furthest lots from the mall, and shoppers were being shuttled over to the entrance. But, having faith in our shopping expertise, we chose to try our hand at getting a prime location. After all, shopping is our specialty. We drove

up one aisle, down the next, up another... Finally we spotted an exiting shopper, so we (in the spirit of giving) offered him a ride to his car in exchange for his space. Much to our dismay, this weary looking shopper was parked in the shuttle bus zone. So we laughed at our misfortune, parked, and decided to walk to the mall entry.

Hours later, and sweaty, despite the cold, we arrived at the door - only to be overcome by clusters of boxes and bags which seemed to move on their own accord. Not knowing my target, my lethal elbows were useless. Helplessly, we were carried along amidst a mass of big hair and packages, and found ourselves landed in a Persian Specialty Shop. Terrified to enter the stream of consumers again, we looked around and each decided to invest in a pair of rainbow colored sequined socks. At \$30 a sock, how could we resist? Broke and emotionally drained, we agreed that that was enough of the mall for one afternoon. As we began our trek back to the car, my roommate suggested (and I conceded) to knock out our weekly food shopping, as long as we were already out. So, off we went to try our luck at Almac's!

I've always considered myself a good shopper. I can't play sports, I'm lousy at math...



Trivia Answer Scale

0-1 Correct Answers— It is evident Louie knows your first name!

2-5 Correct Answers— You are commonly heard saying, "Where is our library."

6-10 Correct Answers— You enjoyed Civ!

11-15 Correct Answers— You don't get out much and have a picture of Alex Trebek over your bed!

Today's Trivia

(Answers on page 13)

- 1) What is the hardest bone in the human body?
- 2) Who was Bram Stoker's most infamous character?
- 3) What bodily function can reach the breakneck speed of 200 miles per hour?
- 4) What is Radar O'Reilly's favorite drink?
- 5) Who was Time's Man of the Year in 1938?
- 6) What is the strongest muscle in the body?
- 7) What is the only mammal that cannot fly that can fly?
- 8) What is the only Arab country without a desert?
- 9) What is Dennis the Menace's last name?
- 10) What creatures live in a formicary?
- 11) What delicacy is known indelicately as pickled roe?
- 12) What baseball team became the Minnesota Twins?
- 13) Who was kidnapped on the night of March 1, 1932?
- 14) What did The Wicked Witch of the West write in the sky over the Emerald City?
- 15) What country won the first gold medal in the first modern-day Olympics?

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Need A Job?

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4) Enables companies in the process of employee reduction an "outplacement" assistance for laid-off employees by enrolling these employees in NSN's "Peoplebank."

In summary, NSN provides an "intelligent" conduit nationwide between job seekers and companies to satisfy their mutual employment needs.

NSN accomplishes this by utilizing its "Peoplebank" of individual resumes. Career seekers send their resumes (hard copy or diskette if prepared using a Word Processor program) to NSN. There is a nominal charge for handling, set-up, etc. Companies and search firms specify the exact criteria they have established for the opportunities they seek to fill and communicate these to National Search Network. NSN then searches its "Peoplebank" and provides requestors with resumes meeting their criteria.

In addition, individuals can specify their own requirements and restrictions for employment. Such things as: no travel, relocation only to certain areas, etc. can all be specified by the career seeker.

National Search Network also assists companies in their "outplacement" efforts for laid-off employees by providing them a special mechanism to enter the resumes into the "Peoplebank."

For further information, contact National Search Network, One Court Street, Suite 300, Lebanon, NH 03766 — (603) 448-0316 or FAX (603) 448-0318.

Productive Weekend: Purpose?

E. Michael Swanson
Class of 1992

It's Friday. I'm tired and have a fever. I should really just take a long nap, make some dinner - maybe some chicken noodle soup (like Grandma always said, it's the cure-all for every malady), and call it a night. Yet I know the inevitable will happen: the phone will ring and I'll be invited to such-and-such party, and I'll inevitably complain, "You know, I'll meet you there a little later, I gotta get some rest." But inside I'll realize the weekend has started and I've gotta get going.

Maybe it's just mid-semester blues and my body's been taking a beating from going to class, lifting a few weights, getting hit in the head with a racquetball and nourishing myself on mac-and-cheese or pasta and Ragu every night. My weekend days and nights are as predictable as Norm's welcoming greeting. I'll go out to where it's "happening", have a few pops, hit the late night, talk a lot of baloney, trudge home and flip on the George Winston before zonking out on the bed with my stinky clothes flung about the rug.

The next thing I know, it's Saturday afternoon and I know I should do laundry and hit the books for a few hours -

maybe go running. Does anyone do any of this? Wrong. So I watch another pathetic basketball game - hey, why does Notre Dame always get on national TV when they sport a team that not only PC could crush, but URI could probably give a run for their money?

Anyway, Sunday morning rolls around after another adventure-packed night of anchor man, and late night sports-centered conversations with the opposite sex that lead to contentment or frustration. We venture off to the Top-Hat Diner in the Italian-American district for the "Hungry Man Breakfast." This is like the three course breakfast that Norm Peterson goes for at the Hungry Heffer (no need to consume again for at least sixteen hours).

So the afternoon swings around and I realize it's Lent so I'd better get some church time in. Of course, the admirable thing to do would be to bring the crusty book bag along and study in the library for a few. Yet after twenty minutes of rap-time and two pages of Shakespeare, I know it's time to call my movie-buddy who I know will always hitch a ride with me to the latest. "Hey, we gotta see *The Silent Lamb*, it's supposed to be wild!"

So off we go streaking down I-95 to Seekonk to catch the late show and complete yet another immensely fun, yet unproductive weekend at PC. God help me.

Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness

By Michael Walsh
Features Editor

Today I bought a newspaper. I also filled my car with gasoline and attended classes. I relaxed with my friends, talked about the war and about the Big East Tournament. My daily routine progressed like any other day, at least until six o'clock.

Everyday since the war began, I have avidly read the newspaper and watched the television. I have become enthralled by stories of Patriot missiles thwarting Scud missile attacks on Saudi Arabia and on Israel. I have watched in disbelief as "smart bombs" surgically destroy massive buildings. I was dismayed to see a Scud missile destroy an Allied barracks in Saudi Arabia. I rejoice to see the Allied Air Force's success as it dominates the sky over Iraq and Kuwait.

Now the ground war has begun and it seems evident that the United States and Allied forces also dominate the desert. Tens of thousands of Iraqi troops have surrendered with little or no resistance. Many of these soldiers are diseased or malnourished. They are mere pawns in the chess game of a tyrant.

Although it is unfortunate that the use of force is needed in the Middle East, I cannot help but think what would happen if a man such as Saddam Hussein was allowed to terrorize other countries? What would

happen if Saddam Hussein had nuclear capabilities?

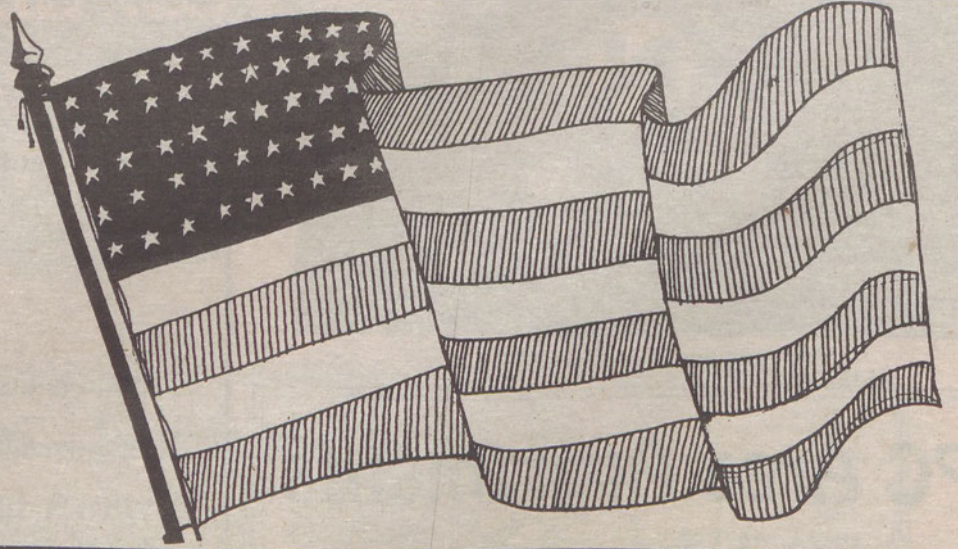
When I look at the history of the Middle East and other regions of the world, I realize how lucky I am to call myself an American citizen. I am not an Iraqi, Jordanian, or Soviet citizen. I am an American. Such common luxuries as automobiles, private homes, education and adequate food have always been a part of my life. It is safe to say that along with many other Americans, I have come to take much of life for granted. I take it for granted that my parents will pay my tuition (thanks Mom and Dad). I have taken it for granted that I can read any newspaper or book I choose. Most of all, I have even taken it for granted that our armed forces would be victorious in protecting American interests and in the liberation of Kuwait.

It was not until I saw American soldiers being dragged from the charred wreckage of their barracks that I realized how much I take life and freedom for granted. These soldiers, whether in a barracks or deep in the Iraqi desert cannot take life for granted. Each day they are faced with decisions which could result in either life or death. They must decide whether to kill or be killed. This war is not different than any other war. There will be those who live and those who die. Both Iraqi and American citizens will lose their loved ones. One aspect, however, sets us apart from the Iraqis. We live in a free society. We can live as we want to live. Our armed forces are strictly voluntary. Iraqi men do not have that option, they are required

to serve in the military. Our men and women can choose if they desire a life in the military. For this reason, I see why our country is considered the greatest nation on earth. Our citizens volunteer to uphold democracy and freedom. Our citizens volunteer to place their lives in jeopardy to promote the values and opportunities which have made the U.S. the great nation it is today.

Many Americans protest our government and its policies pertaining to the crisis in the Middle East. However, only in the United States can citizens protest against government policy without the fear of government retaliation. Iraqi citizens do not have the luxury to disagree with their government. Assassination squads frequently take care of those "defecting" soldiers and "unpatriotic" citizens.

Restrictions on personal freedom and beliefs are something we do not experience here in the United States. Citizens of other countries, however, are instructed where to buy their food, what to read, and where they can work. They cannot live by the declaration of "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness." We as Americans are guaranteed these unalienable rights and should respect what we are given as American citizens. I don't think that our soldiers fighting this war take these rights for granted and neither should any other American citizen. Until now I took my rights for granted, I just hope our soldiers and this war exhibit to the American people how fortunate we are to be part of this great country.



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Features

You Got A Problem?

By Bill Fennell
Features Editor

This week I would like to take the opportunity to do something that I've wanted to do for a long time. No, not go skinny dipping with Betty White, but something even better (if you can imagine that). What I am going to do is answer some questions that people have written me, obviously mistaking me for Ann Landers or "Dear Abby." I have tried to answer these questions as sensitively as I possibly could, so please do not be put off by my extreme frankness (like that shirt you are wearing, for instance. You couldn't get a bull to charge at that unsightly thing). So without further ado, I will now answer your questions. Well, there is just one little bit of ado. I wanted to say that I think "ado" is a dumb word. Now on to the questions!

while they are there, shout obscenities at them and see how your girlfriend likes it. If THEY ignore you, then it is perfectly permissible to beat the hell out of all of them with cinder blocks.

Dear Bill,
My roommates and I are in a constant battle. I like Lawrence Welk, while my roommates both are diehard Roger Whittaker fans. We always fight over what records should be played, and they usually win. Now I'm beginning to think that maybe Roger Whittaker is a little bit better than Lawrence Welk. Please Help.

Signed, "I just Wanna Polka"
Dear Polka,
Your problem is a common one. As a matter of fact, I myself suffered severe emotional strife last year under the same circumstances. I liked popular rock

'n roll songs, while my roommates were strictly country/western fans. We would lock horns constantly, until the day we met on middle ground and decided that we all thought Barry Manilow was really cool. Perhaps you can do the same thing. Why not try Patsy Cline, or maybe Wayne Newton? I am sure you can all decide on something. Best of luck!

Dear Bill,
I have been a physician for 25 years, and I have a problem. Whenever I give physicals, I can't help but break into hysterics when I see the patient standing there in that little room absolutely naked. Sometimes I even point and make gestures with my fingers. How can this be stopped?

Signed, Embarrassed in the examining room

Dear Embarrassed,
There is nothing to be embarrassed about. This prob-

lem can be remedied simply by giving yourself a physical in front of a mirror. You will soon find that since YOU have such a comically deformed body, it will be harder to laugh at others. However, if the person really warrants a laugh, like when they have a picture of their own buttocks tattooed on their chest, then go ahead and have a good giggle!

Dear Bill,
Recently, while dining at a friend's house, I encountered an animal paw of some kind in the spaghetti sauce. Since I am not familiar with proper etiquette, I picked up the paw with my dessert fork and flung it across the table at the host. I then threw my napkin down and left the house, but not before setting it aflame. Is this what I should have done? Signed, Confused About Proper Behavior

Dear Proper,
I can see your little social dilemma. What should have been done was to fling the paw at the host using your dessert SPOON. The napkin should then be thrown down on the LEFT side of the plate. Setting the house on fire is not proper etiquette, however it is permissible to shoot the host in the heart, provided a small bullet is used, so as to not make as much of a mess.

I would like to thank everyone who wrote to me with their deep personal problems. I had a couple of really good laughs. Remember that the best advice is not always professional advice. Sometimes it's a better idea to ask the person behind you in the checkout line at the grocery store, or the man who owns the local adult bookshop. In cases of etiquette, it always depends on the situation, although it might not be a bad idea to carry around a brick.



Dear Bill,
I am a sophomore, and I am having a problem. You see, whenever my girlfriend and I go out to eat, she feels compelled to shout obscenities at the people at the neighboring tables. I try to stop her, but she just ignores me, so I am forced to whack her with a brick, right there in the restaurant. It is a little embarrassing, and I was wondering what I should do?

Signed, Not at all pleased in Joseph [Hall]
Dear Not Pleased,

There are several things one could do in this situation, but I will only recommend two, because the other involves lengthy trials and possible conviction. The first thing you can do is to sit down calmly with your girlfriend and explain to her that you don't like her behavior in public places. If she ignores you, don't hit her with a brick, but rather put her in a box and send her to Mongolia. Another alternative is to invite her parents over for dinner and

A Special Event

by Dwayne Sheppard
Chairperson, Special Olympics
Pastoral Council

On Saturday, March 2, the Special Olympics Committee, under the direction of the Pastoral Council, will sponsor the 1991 Rhode Island Special Olympics State Basketball Tournament. Over two hundred PC students will volunteer their time and energy to facilitate basketball games, skills competitions, and a pizza and dance party. The Special Olympics athletes come from all over the state of Rhode Island to compete in this annual event.

The day's events will begin with Registration from 9 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. The torch run from the State Capitol will begin at 9:15 a.m. and the Opening Ceremonies will last from 9:45 - 10:00 a.m. The Olympic Games will begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue until 12:30 p.m., which is when the pizza and dance party will start and last until 4:30 p.m.

All students, faculty, and friends are invited to attend the activities. The basketball games will be held in Peterson Rec, and the skills competition will be held in Alumni Gym.

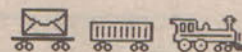
Games Director, Lori Michniewich, said, "We are all looking forward to another successful basketball tournament." The Special Olympics Committee would like to thank all those who will volunteer their talents on March 2, because without them, the say would not be possible.

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- 2) Dracula
- 3) The Sneeze
- 4) Grape Nehi
- 5) Adolf Hitler
- 6) The Tongue
- 7) Man
- 8) Lebanon
- 9) Mitchell
- 10) Ants
- 11) Caviar
- 12) The Washington Senators
- 13) Charles Lindbergh Jr.
- 14) Surrender Dorothy
- 15) The U.S.

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The Replacements Rock the Orpheum

A compilation by
A&E Staff Writers

If there is any truth to the statement that a band can "grow on you," that band would have to be The Replacements. Through the course of their 13 year run they have remained underground favourites, never quite surfacing enough to cross over into the mainstream world of rock. That seems to be just fine for the "Mats" (for short) and, judging from their packed house show Friday night at The Orpheum, it suits them equally well too.

That's not to say that the four-some out of Minneapolis has not had their share of ups and downs. Up until recently when you thought The Replacements you thought sloppy unorganized set as a result of the band's trademark of playing shows while intoxicated. Not so on Friday. You see in recent years that same trademark crash and burn style appears to have caught up with the "Mats". It was a more seasoned group that showed up Friday for a hard rocking hour and a half set and no one seemed to be complaining.

One thing that you can't say about the "Mats" despite their new sober image is that their live shows have suffered. In fact the new more mellow tunes of

their new CD "All Shook Down" were played harder Friday. This was so particularly so with "Nobody," normally a soft melodic song played with heavy guitar, no holding back on distortion. Perhaps this was in reply to some long term fans who felt that the group had sold out sacrificing their early harder songs on "Let it Be" and "Sorry Ma, Forgot to Take Out the Trash" for the new trend songs of the past two albums. I prefer to think that the band has just grown up.

Overall, on Friday The Re-

placements gave fans the best of both worlds. And new drummer Steve Folley seemed to blend right in as the groups highlights included "Talent Show," "Here Comes a Regular," and "Merry go Round". While most fans still would have to admit that the songs have mellowed, certainly few can say that their live performances have.

L.A. rockers, They Eat Their Own played a solid opening set jumping back between hard and progressive rock tunes. Fronted by singer Laura B. the group blended peace themes in their songs. Laura B. also changed

costumes several times in order to fit the mood of the occasion once wearing a military jacket with a peace symbol on the back.

However the highlight of the 45 minute set was their alternative hit "Like a Drug" a great tune that sounded even better live.



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Sharon Olds: A Quiet Sort Of Urgency

By Lee Lacks
A&E Staff Writer

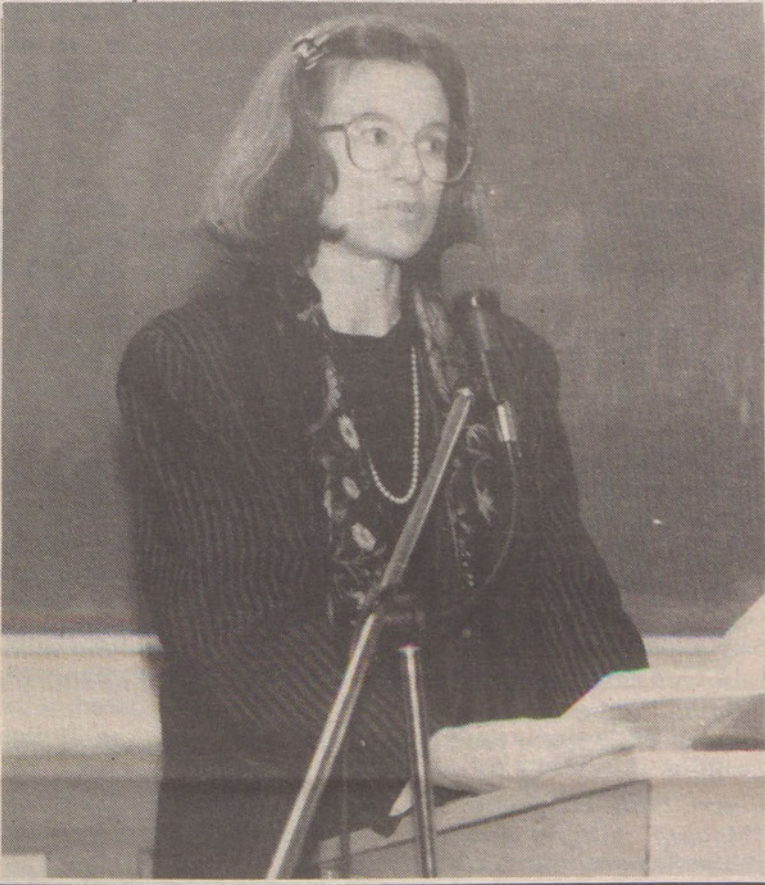
On February 21, Sharon Olds graced Providence College with readings of her award-winning poetry. In addition to being a renown poet, Dr. Olds is the director of the graduate studies program in creative writing at New York University. The poetry reading was held in Moore Hall III which was filled to capacity. The audience consisted of college students and faculty from across the Providence area.

From the moment she began her reading, Dr. Olds exuded an air of self-assurance which prevailed throughout the evening. Her tone seemed to reflect a quiet urgency similar to that of Laurie Anderson. On this occasion, she chose to read a number of selections from her latest book entitled *Father*. Dr. Olds displayed unflinching integrity in addressing highly personal topics ranging from her troubled childhood to her sexual awareness.

Some of her more striking poems included "Ashes," a religious piece which examines a child's

perception of sin; "When the Dead Ask My Father About Me," a wonderfully candid elegy which reveals Olds' emotional growth in being able to view her life from her father's perspective and laugh at it; and "On the Subway," a powerful work which criticizes the white supremacist mentality of the United States and mourns the death of a human spirit.

The poetry reading, which lasted a little more than an hour, was well-paced. Dr. Olds managed to keep the audience engaged for the duration with her moving poetry and discussion. In closing, she offered to meet and speak with anyone who wished to do so. When I introduced myself to her, I found her to be quiet, warm and pleasant.



What The 'Folk' Is Going On?

Pat Egan
A&E Staff Writer

So you're not going to the game this Saturday and you're looking for something new to do — have I got the thing for you. Folk singer Bill Morrissey will be appearing at the Stone Soup Coffeehouse near Brown.

Morrissey is considered by many to be one of the greatest song writers in New England, and his latest album, "Standing Eight", was voted the number one folk album of the year by the *Boston Globe*. His rough voice complements his finger-picking guitar style on beautiful melodies, with poetic lyrics. His songs are crafted like short fiction and are sure to touch any listener. *Rolling Stone* wrote that "In Bill Morrissey's art, dreams simultaneously taunt and lend a shimmering dignity to domestic lives; hope and fa-

talism become as essential as breathing in and out."

As for Bill's performances, they are a mixture of music and stories that bring out his "dry, deadpan wit." At one point you may be near tears with a song about a drinking buddy who dies in a fire, ("It was the smoke that killed him, not the flames") and then laughing at a story about his dog driving in Boston, "giving people the paw".

A Bill Morrissey show will make you a fan of one of the hottest artists on the folk scene and you're sure not to regret missing a party for it.

Bill is playing at the Stone Soup Coffeehouse, at the Church of the Redeemer, 655 Hope Street, Providence. Tickets are \$5 at the door and the show starts at 8 p.m. (but get there early because he will sellout).

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WDOM Record Reviews

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Record Reviews for The Cowl

Peter Gabriel: *Shaking the Tree* -
16 Golden Greats

Peter Gabriel is one of the most definitive artists around. Since appearing on stage in wild costumes when he was still the leader of Genesis, Gabriel has released brilliant and diverse "world beat"-influenced music. *Shaking the Tree* covers some of his best from 1977's "Solsbury Hill" to "Big Time" and the #1 hit "Sledgehammer" from the

1986 album *So*.

Also included are "Family Snapshot," "Shock The Monkey," a solo piano/voice version of "Here Comes the Flood," and "Shaking The Tree" with Youssou N'Dour. I would like to see "Modern Love" on it as well, but you can only fit so much on one disc. On the whole, a fine collection. (AAD/Total time 77:21)

Toto: *Past To Present 1977-1990*

Here's a common story. A band gets together after years of albums and member changes

and releases a "greatest hits" compilation with some new material. The only thing Toto did wrong here was *make* new songs. If the three new tracks besides "Out of Love" were taken out, this would be a near-perfect record. The only "plus" for the group now is Jeff Porcaro on drums and percussion, who has also played for Ivan Neville, Don Henley and Jude Cole.

Otherwise, this disc has Toto's classics such as "Africa," "Hold the Line," and "Rosanna." The smooth "I'll Be Over You" has a nice acousticalness and Michael

McDonald's voice to back it up. "I Won't Hold You Back" is another highlight, with its piano and more singing from Steve Lukather. If you don't have the older records like *Toto IV* and *Fahrenheit*, this one doesn't make a bad addition to your library...just enjoy the old stuff and let the new "poppish" tunes pass by. (AAD/64:43)

The Vaughan Brothers: *Family Style*

We are very unfortunate that we will no longer be able to capture and enjoy the live excitement of Stevie Ray Vaughan. However, the late Stevie Ray's

"smokin' guitar" had been recorded one last time...and when the Texan Blues-Rocker teamed up with his brother, Jimmie, a new album, *Family Style*, was created.

In addition to the slick guitar playing and vocals of the Vaughan brothers, *Family Style* features other great musicians such as Al Berry on bass and Larry Aberman on drums. There's plenty of everything on this record, as well, including four awesome instrumentals. Tunes like "Hard To Be," "White Boots," and "Long Way From Home" deliver the great southern Blues feeling that the brothers' styles have boasted for years.

CHEERS To Television

By Bennett Walsh
A&E Staff Writer

"Making your way in the world today takes everything you got. Taking a break from all your worries sure would help a lot..." Those words, the theme song from *Cheers*, are medicine to the ears to TV viewers everywhere. Every person has his or her favorite show or sitcom. A thirty to sixty minute show that makes everything in the world

right. All problems are placed on hold while this show is on. For my great uncle, his favorite show was *McHales Navy* (an oldie but a goodie). For my grandmother (to my surprise) it is *Hawaii Five-0*. But for me, nothing in my TV lifetime compares with *Cheers*.

Cheers is one of the most popular sitcoms ever. It just started its ninth season after filming their 200th episode in 1990. Most Americans have a remotely vague idea about the show. It

centers around a local watering hole in Boston called Cheers. (In real life, it is called the Bull Finch). The main character is Sammyyy Maloney, owner of the bar. There was an episode when someone doubted Sammy could "pick up" a certain female. Sam looked at the person and said, with a look of utter disbelief and shock, "Hey, I'm Sammy! Where have you been all these years." For all those *Cheers* fans, we know Sam "Mayday" Maloney is correct.

Yet, one of the unique characteristics is the strength of the show's minor characters.

Their names are Rebecca, Carla, Cliff, Norm, Woody, Paul, and Ernie. Most viewers can in some way relate to certain characters' personality traits. Or if someone does not personally relate to a character, sure enough they will have a friend who closely resembles one of the *Cheers* cast. Whether it's the pessimistic, lacking confidence, depressed Rebecca, or the long winded, boring, the guy who knows everything about nothing, Cliff Clavin, *Cheers* pleases

all. The characters just keep growing and expanding. In 1991 the character of Paul has become larger and larger to the point where, like Norm, he has his own tab!

To me, *Cheers* is a very special show. I have never watched an episode (repeats included), when I have not laughed at least once. The show has me in hysterics every time I watch it. As time goes on, more shows will come and go. But for this loyal fan, *Cheers* will always rank among the best shows in television history.

IN-X-CELLENCE

INXS Rocks The Centrum

Jenn MacCallum
Ass. Congress Correspondent

On Monday, February 25th, the internationally known Aussie band INXS rocked a near sell-out crowd at the Worcester Centrum.

The alternative rock group The Soup Dragons opened the show with a brief thirty minute set. The disappointing Dragons, for some ungodly reason, yelled obscenities at the crowd in between each of their songs. They ended their set with a song that separated the posers from the true connoisseurs of The Soup Dragons, "I'm Free," the only song of theirs that gets any air play.

Having last seen INXS on their first leg of the *KICK* tour in March, 1988, I was anticipating to see any developmental changes with the band's concert style. The band had an elaborate stage set-up. A platform, draped in blue and smoky gray fabric, stood above the band. This backdrop provided for an excellent light show, in which various color shapes were flashed onto the billowing backdrop. The electricity of the band was enormous; Hutchence made great use of

the platform, making it a focal point in his performance.

Hutchence was much more conservative in his wardrobe selections for this tour. On the *KICK* tour, Hutchence was scantily clad in black biker shorts and a tank top. For the first part of the concert, much to the disappointment of his numerous female fans, he was decked out in white pants with an American flag motif, a white mock turtle-neck and a patent-leather 3/4 length jacket, which he quickly shed. His bandmates were eloquently dressed in alternating white shirts and red-tuxedo jackets.

The band opened with an off-stage cover of Tom Jones' "Pussycat." Following their first number, the group dove into the first track off of their latest album *X*—"Suicide Blond." For the majority of the first set, the group alternated with songs from *X* and their 1988 mega-hit "Kick". Towards the end of the first part of the show, they finally played a song off of the *Listen Like Thieves* album with an acoustic, well received version of "Shine Like it Does," followed by "Listen Like Thieves" and their trademark tune "What you

Need." INXS closed the set with the last track off of *KICK*, "Calling All Nations," in which the only reference to the war was made when Hutchence flashed a peace sign before exiting the stage.

Their encore was comprised of four songs. "The Stairs," from *X*, "Original Sin" from *he Swing*, the ballad "Never Tear Us Apart," and closed with "Don't Change" from *Shaboo*, *Shoobah*.

INXS certainly earned their money, playing for two hours. Although I had hoped that the *X* tour would be a decade convolution of all their albums, the band basically covered all the songs from *KICK* and everything from *X*. Unfortunately, Hutchence kept on re-iterating "This is our latest single" in reference to many of the songs off of *X*. This was annoying and somewhat insulting to anyone who owns the album or listens to alternative stations.

Overall, INXS was a delight to see again and I am certainly hoping that they come back to this area with a summer leg of this tour.

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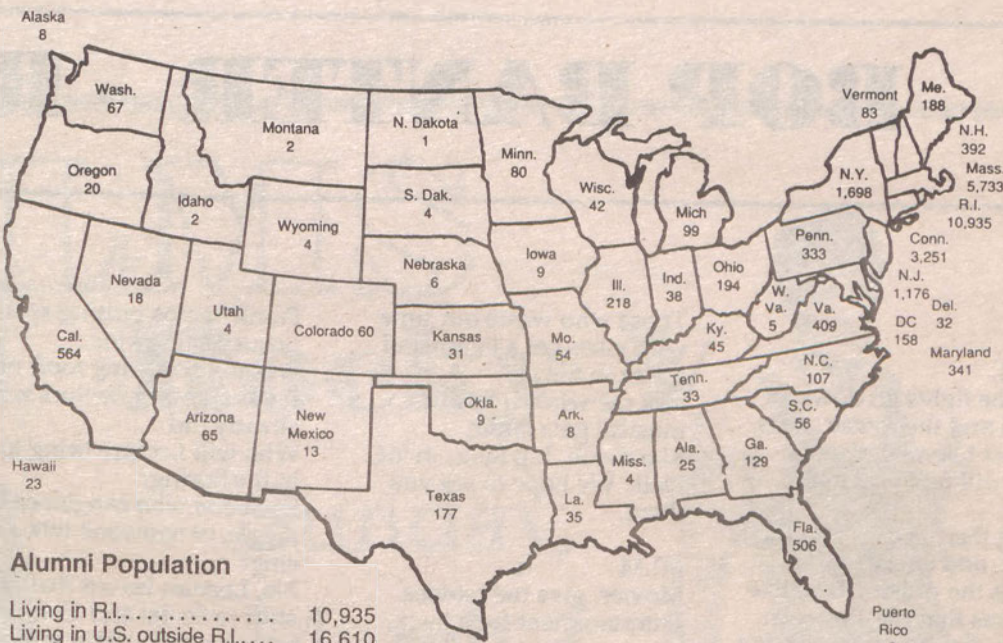
Diversity and Talent

By David Argitis
Academia Editor

As students at Providence College, I believe we sometimes do not recognize the great diversity and talent of those who have gone before us. Since 1917, this institution has helped produced some of the most successful business people, politicians, doctors, scientists, and others in this country and abroad. In order to give credit to these alumni and increase our own awareness, the Academia

page has included profiles of "outstanding alumni".

These profiles also serve to remind us that our personal goals and expectations are not unattainable. With our determination, education, and some good fortune, we are all capable of attaining or surpassing the success of these outstanding alumni. In keeping with this spirit, we will continue to include alumni information and profiles of Providence's best. Included this week is a graph of the United States illustrating the dispersion of our alumni at home and abroad.



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ation from Providence with a BS degree, Tom served as a 1st lieutenant of the U.S. Army and later as a special agent for the Federal Bureau Investigations.

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By Robert L. Deasy

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1787 Henry Knox (Revolutionary War hero and first Secretary of War) notified George Washington that Congress had authorized a Constitutional Convention to be held in Philadelphia.

1869 Congress proposed the XV Amendment which would prevent voter discrimination based upon "race, color, or previous condition of servitude." Opposition was voiced in the Rhode Island legislature not because of blacks being able to vote BUT against the fast rising ranks of French Canadians who, it was thought, would undermine the "establishment."

1860 Abraham Lincoln delivered his famous Cooper Union Address in New York City. The following evening he would emphasize the same points re the slave issue in Providence, Rhode Island (Wanna

know where he spoke??? Look elsewhere in this issue.)

1931 Congress approved a Veterans Bonus Bill over the veto of President Hoover. On the same day the once proud New York World of Joseph Pulitzer would merge with the Telegram. Later they merged with the Sun (A paper that was not kindly accepted when Pulitzer arrived in New York City in the early 1890's).

1939 The principle of the "sit-down strike" was outlawed by the United States Supreme Court.

1942 The Battle of the Java Sea was not a red letter day as the Allied Fleet lost 13 ships while the Japanese lost only two.

1979 Barbara Tuchman was elected as the first woman president of the American Academy and the Institute of Arts and Letters.

BIRTHDAYS: A big day in literature: Henry Wadsworth Longfellow in 1807; John Steinbeck in 1902; James T. Farrell in 1904.

SPORTS: Mickey Mantle signed a contract for \$100,000 in 1963 which was far above his original professional contract of \$1,100 in 1949.

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LINCOLN'S SPEECH
On February 28, 1860 Abraham Lincoln addressed an overflow crowd at Railroad Hall in downtown Providence reiterating his New York speech of the night before. It was of a series paid for by the Republican National Committee and enabled Lincoln to come east, establish his candidacy for the upcoming election of 1860 and also visit with his son who was a student in New England. a permanent plaque marks the spot and may be seen on the wall of the Federal Building on Kennedy Plaza. It was dedicated by the Rhode Island Civil War Centennial Commission on February 28, 1962.

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Frank Santos putting spells on unsuspecting kids, Freshman making fools of themselves for Seniors who already did.

Who will Lecture bring to PC in the Spring?

Someone who can dance or juggle, or someone who can sing?

No, Lecture leaves that kind of stuff to Social and Coffeehouse, It's more important topics that they're concerned about.

So maybe Marvin Barnes will tell his story of drugs, How in times of desperation we should turn instead to hugs.

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by Matt Gaffney
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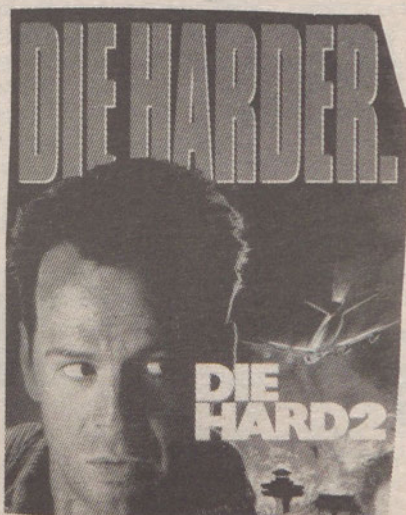
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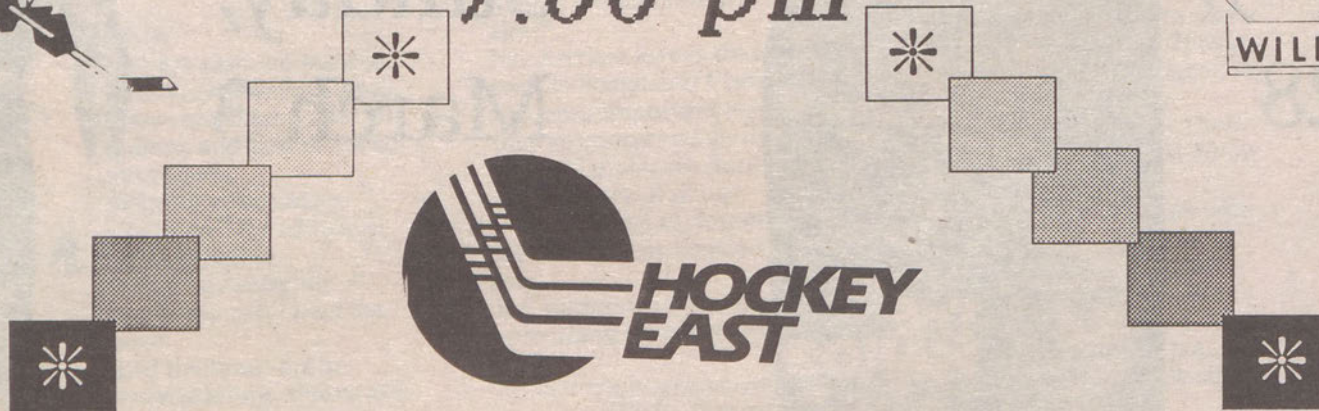
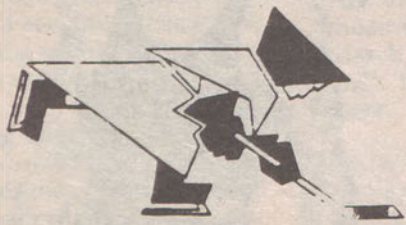
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Sports

I.A.B. Update

February 19th-21st marked an exciting week in field hockey action. "The Ultimate Team," led by Shannon Spencer, improved their record to 6-0. The "Fun Ones" were defeated by "We Should Won Football" and "The Evil Vikings" defeated the "Hungry Hippos."

In girl's hoop action last week, some new strengths were uncovered. The mixed underclassmen team, "Dirty Dozen," won their first game against the all freshman "Hungry Hippos." Also the senior team, "Meg's Team," proved their first loss was no indication of their ability as they scooped two wins since the devastating loss. The team to beat in this week's stretch is "WMNBB-BWAG," so look out, "Just Do It!"

Also look for "Meg's Team" and "Lights Out" when they resume play after their deposit is collected.

It was a slow week in street hockey action with only 4 games on tap. The "Horizontal Chickens" had an especially tough week losing to "Rogan's Heroes" and then being shut out by "Pembroke," 6-0. "Moscow Dynamo" took a W with a forfeit over the "Big Sticks." "Stumpleminze" won a close contest with "The Blue Thunders," 5-3. Check the Slavin Board and IAB Office for upcoming games.

In limited ice hockey action, "Idiots take Schneider" iced "Ice Me Baby," 6-0. Natasha

Bright led her team with solid play. Murph, what happened? "Violent Femmes" were very violent, murdering "Pucking Pathetic," 12-3. Sophomore standouts Laura Tozza and Kim Roy were aided by Maria Granado, the game's MVP, with 4 goals.

The volleyball season had a full slate of action last Sunday. The "Hot Sets" came back with a win after last week's tough loss. "Jumping" Joe Platania keyed the win. Both "Cluckless" squads played well in a losing effort. Andrea Mahoney was severely injured in the loss, with a dislocated fingernail. In other action, pre-season favorite "Volley Vexer" was knocked off by a strong "This Should Be Funny" squad. "Peanut's" picked up a pair of wins, one by forfeit, and the other thanks to the strong play of Jodi Santos and Tracy Campbell. Look for the schedule of Sunday's games in Slavin of the IAB Office.

Some of the most exciting men's basketball games were played this week on Sunday night. First was a "B" league game that pitted "The Celibate Rifles" vs. "The Loaded Questions." Both teams came into the matchup with winning records, and "The Questions" were defeated by "The Rifles," now with a 2-1 record. The Questions played their usual game while the Rifles tried to slow the tempo with a structured offense. Joe Gravini led The Rifles with 18 points. This proved to be enough as the Rifles pulled away with a 56-52. Mark Maguire led The Questions with 14 points.

Another big matchup was in "A" league action which fea-

tured "We'll Name it Later" vs. "The Soul Train." This game featured two key matchups. The first included the highly touted Rob Phelps against the experienced Rob McGloughlin. The other key matchup featured Pat O'Day vs. freshman Michael Smith. After a long close game that featured 6 lead changes the younger duo of Phelps and Smith were able to outlast the seniors 59-55. Highlights included Phelps six 3-pointers and Michael Smith collecting 2 monster jams. McGloughlin had a chance to tie the score with :10 left, but after a nice cut to the basket his shot missed, and Soul Train got their 3rd win.

"B" league action continued this week with incoming "Stud Missles" making a key acquisition- Phil Dowd. It is believed that as soon as Phil learns the system, he'll be a force to be reckoned with. In another B League matchup, "Nash can't find the Hole" reached a milestone, becoming the first team to reach the 100 point mark. Despite the smooth shooting of Danny McCabe and the goaltending of Tim Longua, "Rod Strickland" was defeated.

In A league action, the game of the week featured "Pomps Back" vs. "We'll Name it Later." The stakes were high but the combination of Matt "I need a fat belt" Rice and Mike "Giovanna" Corbi, and Tom "I don't talk trash" Finnochio constantly pressured the winded senior squad. Terms of the bet have been disclosed but not honored. Also Drew Dippipo returned to action and it has yet to be determined whether or not his teaching will hinder his performance on one of the 3 remaining undefeated teams.

English, Irish lead PC into NCAA's

Kieth, Teague, Delahunty and Hendricken power Friar machine

By Beth Albertini
Assistant Sports Editor

"Another stop along the road to the N.C.A.A.'s." That's a phrase heard a lot this time of year, but usually in reference to basketball or ice hockey. For the men's and women's track teams, the New England Track and Field Championships at Boston University last weekend brought the Friars a step closer to the N.C.A.A.'s. It was a chance for more to solidify their positions in the Championships, particularly those who had qualified provisionally.

Freshman Andy Keith ran the third fastest time ever indoors in New England in the 1500m. His time of 3:42.52 gave him a first place finish. This season, Keith has qualified for the N.C.A.A.'s in the mile and the IC4A's in the 1000m. Bill Sullivan finished fifth in the 1500m, in 3:55.42.

Chris Teague, Niall Murphy and Paul Logan combined for fourth, fifth and sixth places in the 3000m. Teague's 8:13.23 is ten seconds better than he ran at the Big East February 16.

The PC women had a strong showing at New England's as well. Bridget

Bowers and Jean Hughes took first and second in the 5000m. Bowers' ran to a personal record 16:58.2 for first and Hughes was close behind in 17:16.2.

The Lady Friars took second through sixth in the mile at Boston University. Sinead Delahunty led the way, finishing second in 4:39.5. She was followed by Geraldine Hendricken and Anita Phillipot, who finished a tenth of a second apart, Natalie Davy and Geraldine Nolan. In Friday night's trials, Nolan and Phillipot both qualified for the N.C.A.A.'s - Nolan with a 4:43.4 and Phillipot in 4:42.2. Davy qualified provisionally in Saturday's final. Mary Mullane, who is on the N.C.A.A. bubble in the 5000m, placed second in the 3000m in 9:49.2.

Dionne Wilson ran her fastest indoor 400m ever on Saturday en route to a third place in the 400m. Wilson combined with Bowers, Hughes and Patty Gallagher in the 4x800m relay. It was Wilson's first 800m in competition and she ran a 2:20 split. Coach Treacy feels, "She has lots of potential and is a hardworker. She'll do what needs to be done to be a strong 800m runner. She should be under 2:10 in the next year."

This weekend, the Friars will be at the IC4A and E.C.A.C. Championships. However, those who have qualified for the N.C.A.A.'s will not be running. The N.C.A.A.'s are March 8 and 9 at Indianapolis.

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PC drops 'Nova

Seniors Cole, Mency and Evans say good-bye

by Jerry Jellig
Sports Editor

Monday night's game vs. the Villanova Wildcats featured the annual Senior Tribute. Seniors and tri-Captains Stephanie Cole, Helen Mency and Shanya Evans were honored before the game. It was a very emotional ceremony, which transcended the lackluster play.

The Wildcats are historically weak in the Big East (4-12), but you wouldn't know it from this game. Despite losing 74-69 to the #16 Lady Friars, Villanova played a perfect game, slowing the Lady Friars down to a virtual stand still.

"Villanova controlled the tempo in the game and really frustrated us," explained Tracy Lis. She added, "We began to force things and took poor shots."

In the first half, the Lady Friars shot just 40% from the field and 60% from the line. Starters Tracy Lis, Jennifer Mead, Stephanie Cole and Shanya Evans were a combined 4 of 18 in the half, for 10 points.

Helen Mency was the key for the Friar attack in the first half, hitting 6-6 from the field, including 4-4 from 3-point range. She scored all of her 17 points in that half, to go with 5 rebounds and 4 steals.

With regard to the sluggish pace, senior Shanya Evans felt

the ceremony was a factor. "It hurt us a lot. We came out flat and never really got going. It was so emotional for all of us," explained Evans.

Shanya led the team in scoring with 20 points, but managed only 3 assists. She did hit all 6 of her free throws in the final 1:30 to seal the victory.

Providence led by as many as nine in the second half, but continually let the Wildcats back in the game. Justine Chaverin paced the Wildcats with 21 points. Rosemary Magarity added 14 points and 10 rebounds for the 11-16 Wildcats.

Lucie Fontanella was again the story for PC, as she chipped in 14 points and 8 rebounds (6 offensive) off the bench. She also won her 3rd Big East Rookie of the Week award.

Tracy Lis had a rare off night. She tallied 10 points, to go along with 5 rebounds and 3 steals. While she was visibly disappointed with herself, one can rest assured, she'll be heard from in a big way at the Big East Tournament in Georgetown.

"It was a really great year, the perfect ending. We had a lot of fun, and it was really prosperous for us. While it's time to move on, I hate to see it all end," said Evans. The team finishes the year 23-4, 13-3 in the Big East.

Northeastern shocks Friars

PC secures home ice for 1 game playoff Friday

by Brian DeCesare
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What do you get when you cross a Friar hockey team that has just come off one of its biggest wins of the season over BC, with a last-place Northeastern team that has absolutely nothing to lose? The result is a 4-3 victory for the Huskies on Saturday, highlighted by two third-period goals.

"This loss puts us in our places after being over confident from the BC win," said All-American Rob Gaudreau.

PC Head Coach Mike McShane added, "We were probably a little over confident coming into the game. They had nothing to lose, and they checked us better than I've seen them check all season."

Despite the loss, the Friars (20-9-2, and 10-9-2 in Hockey East) still maintained home-ice advantage for this Friday's single elimination playoff game versus UNH, thanks to Maine's 4-2 win over the Wildcats last weekend. In the third tie-breaker decision for fourth place finish, PC edged out UNH by posting a single victory over Maine this season, whereas UNH has recorded none.

The first period of Saturday's game versus NE was a yawner and no one could get on the board first, although there was lots of end to end action. If it wasn't for Brad Mullahy's 15 saves, the game may have been decided in the first twenty minutes.

The Friars played more confidently as the second period opened. Hobey Baker candidate Rob Gaudreau, who played in a defensive spot for the second game in a row, stuffed in a shot at

the 4:01 mark after circling around the net and faking out defenders. Chris Therien, who earned Freshman of the Week honors, got credited with the assist and the Friars took a 1-0 lead. But the Huskies scored the next two goals of the period, one coming on a puck that was flipped over a sprawling Mullahy, and the second coming off of a rebounded shot, and led 2-1 at the 14:09 mark. PC had a chance to tie the game with 2:09 left in the second when NE was penalized for tripping, but the Friars came up empty and failed to capitalize on their second power play opportunity of the game.

The Huskies upped the lead to 3-1 only 36 seconds into the final period, but Gaudreau scored his 30th goal of the season (second of the game) just 56 seconds later, cutting the lead to 3-2. Junior Shaun Kane fed a pass to Gaudreau at the circle and his wristed shot found the lower corner of the net. He became only the 7th player in PC history to score 30 or more goals in one season.

Northeastern grabbed the momentum back when Pat

Madigan made an untimely slashing penalty at the 11:42 mark of the third. On the power play, the Huskies scored off a slapshot from the blue line that beat a screened Mullahy, making it 4-2 and the eventual game-winner. PC added a meaningless goal when freshman Erik Peterson chipped away at the puck with only one second left, making the final score 4-3 instead.

"Things didn't come easy for us," said McShane. "Northeastern is a lot better team than their record shows. Hopefully, we'll have a good week of practice and be ready to play (UNH) on Friday."

The Friars were pitifully out-shot 41-25 in the contest.

They host UNH at Schneider Arena on Friday at 7 p.m. in a single elimination game as the Hockey East quarterfinals open. The format has been changed this year to only one game, rather than a best-of-three series. Only a year ago, PC won the first game of the three-game series, but the Wildcats came back and won the next two games taking the series two games to one.

This season the two teams are 1-1 in their three meetings, setting the stage for an incredible rubber match.

March Madness and the PC Friars

by Chip Scutari
Asst. Sports Editor

With March Madness only a stone's throw away, basketball programs throughout the country are desperately searching for that coveted NCAA bid. Athletic directors and coaches in each and every league are stating their cases, promoting strength of schedule and other key variables for attaining an NCAA bid. While most perennial powers like UNC, Duke and Indiana enter the NCAA's as commonplace, some NCAA regulars like Georgetown and Oklahoma find themselves in a rare situation on the bubble. Parity, is indeed alive and well, in the world of college hoops. Post season tournaments are just around the corner, ready to make and break some teams. Basketball on the collegiate level is a thriving entity and qualifying for the elite field of sixty-four is a major achievement for all those involved in Division 1 sports.

On Sunday, while watching the Syracuse/Pitt game, I couldn't help but notice how CBS commentators, Billy Packer and Jim Nantz, commended the overall balance of the Big East. Especially, when Billy Packer mentioned the possibility of an unprecedented eight Big East teams amongst the field of sixty-four. I doubt his prediction will come to pass but rest assured each conference will be lobbying for position come tournament time. Unfortunately, there will be complaints and gripes alike from those bubble teams who are left out of the NCAA party. Major conferences like the ACC,

SEC and Big 10 jockey for position to answer the question of conference supremacy.

There are several bubble teams which need a strong showing in their conference tourneys in order to secure an at-large bid. Teams on the bubble include Georgetown, Wake Forest, Oklahoma and our beloved Friars.

Speaking of the Friars, a win over Villanova on Saturday and two wins in the Big East tournament are essential for PC's fading tournament hopes. The Friar five definitely have to pick up their level of play a notch after a lackluster performance against BC. Their tense effort can be directly attributed to the high pressure of qualifying for the NCAA's. One positive aspect, though, is the emergence of Fred Campbell as a solid starter. Fred's contribution on the boards and the defensive end could be a stabilizing force for the Friars. Five straight losses to Rollie's gang are certainly enough, hopefully Saturday will prove to be a launching pad for the Friars tournament aspirations.

Although I am a mere sports writer, it's fun to play the role of prognosticator once in a while. The NCAA tournament appears to be a definite lock for the Runnin' Rebs. But wait a minute, I beg to differ. First of all, every NCAA tournament has a handful of sleepers and 1991 should be no exception. My field of sleepers include NC State, LSU and the Crimson Tide. As for my Final Four, stay tuned. And oh yes, the Friars will make the tournament as the #14 seed in the Southeast region.

In case you missed it...

'Cuse puts Friars down

by Mike Saucier
Special to the Cowl

The game of basketball, in its simplest form, comes down to two aspects, rebounding and shooting. The Carrier Dome crowd of 28,596 witnessed surprisingly poor shooting by Providence. PC wound up shooting just 44% from the field and 59% from the line. The Dome crowd also witnessed a great display of rebounding and three-point shooting by the Orangemen.

The Orangemen out-rebounded the Friars 50-35. Billy Owens, who became the tenth Syracuse player ever to reach the 800 rebound mark, snagged 16 again the Friars. Syracuse (21-3) also shot an impressive 10-for-16 from three-point land. Dave Johnson led the three point brigade by netting three "3's." Michael Edwards, Adrian Autry and Owens also contributed their share of threes.

Owens proved why he is a leading Player of the Year candidate by scoring 25 points and dishing out five assists. For a 6'9" forward, Owens handles the ball like a guard. He gives alley-oops, dribbles between his legs, brings the ball up the court, and runs the floor extremely well for a player of his size. In addition, he has a soft touch from long range. What sets Owens apart from the average Division I basketball player is his style of play which is both graceful and exciting to watch.

Those who shined for Providence in the game were Marques Bragg and Marvin Saddler. Bragg, although fouling out, netted a PC high 20 points in 21 minutes. Saddler had a double-double with 17 points and a PC high 10 rebounds.

The Friars dropped to 14-9 (5-7 in Big East play) and now have their work cut out for them in order to make the NCAA's this March.



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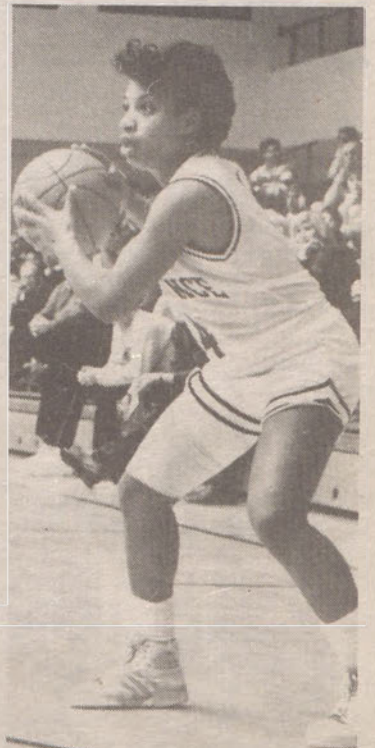
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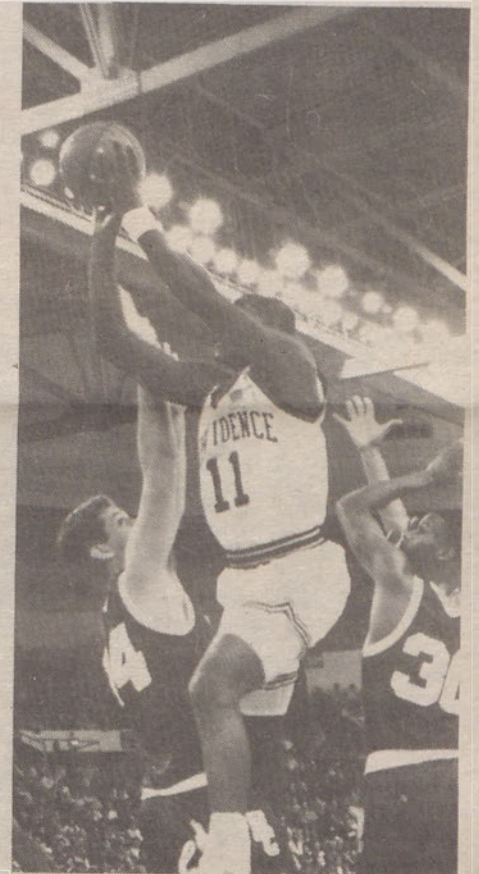
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PC survives Eagles

Murdock passes Mullin for Big East single season scoring record

by Jerry Jellig
Sports Editor

A win is a win in the Big East, right? Wrong! Boston College is supposed to be an automatic, a gimme. With only two more regular season games remaining, the Friars needed an impressive effort to influence the NCAA Selection Committee. They didn't get it.

Despite their 64-63 defeat of the lowly Eagles, there were few bright spots for PC Coach Rick Barnes and the Friars to cheer about. "I'm happy we got a win, but we got too conservative after we had the nine point lead," explained Coach Barnes.

The Friars also held an eight point lead with under 3 minutes to play. However, sloppy play which accounted for 18 turnovers, allowed the Eagles to get within two. The Friars then dodged a bullet when Marques Bragg missed the front end of a 1 and 1, but BC misplayed the rebound and PC regained possession with :51 remaining.

That miss was a rare one for Marques. The 6'7" junior led the Friars in points with 25, and rebounds with 10. He shot 12-13 from the floor. Both coaches praised Marques for his efforts.

"I thought Marques played huge, like a warrior. I've never been around a player that works as hard as him. He's been our most consistent player since Day 1," lauded Coach Barnes.

"He physically man-handled Curley. Bragg is a man. You've got to love a guy like that," added BC Coach Jim O'Brien.

PC held a 40-31 half-time

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edge, thanks to the explosive play of Eric Murdock. The senior guard scored 16 points and grabbed 5 rebounds in the half.

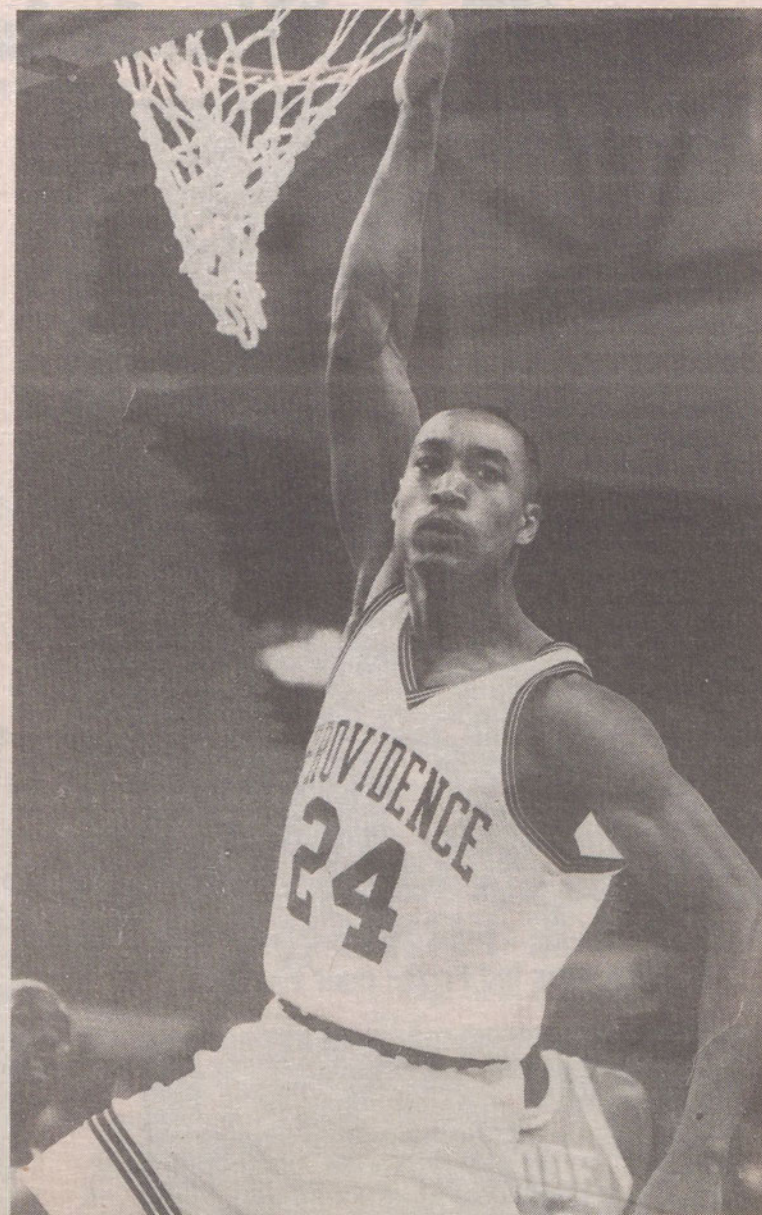
For the middle eight minutes of the first half, the lead flip-flopped, with neither team going up by more than 3. Then Marques took over, hitting two lay ups and a six-foot hook, to push the lead to 10. Corey Floyd also had a superb half, playing 14 minutes while registering 6 points and 4 assists.

The 2nd half began with the pendulum swinging in BC's direction. Led by senior forward Corey Beasley, BC pulled to within 1. Twice in the next few minutes, Marques scored four consecutive points, to push the lead back to nine.

"Two things were evident. We couldn't defend Bragg, and we couldn't defend Murdock. Murdock was terrific in the first half, and Marques is a terrific finisher," explained BC Coach O'Brien.

While BC played a consistent, intense game, the Friars nearly beat themselves on this night. "Turnovers are expected in our offense. What drives me crazy is the way we turn the ball over. We throw away rebounds and get the ball knocked loose from behind. We need to make our guys aware of the value of the ball," explained Coach Barnes.

After Murdock hit two free-throws, Billy Curley made a lay up to bring BC within 2. With :16 left, Murdock was again fouled, but missed the second attempt to give the Friars a narrow 64-61 edge. The Eagle's Doug Able then nailed an 18-footer, apparently stepping on the 3-point line. After a short debate, Able was awarded a 2-pointer, and PC a 64-63 win.



Marques Bragg led all scorers with 25 points.

Fontanella, Lady Friars drop #14 UCONN 91-89

by Jerry Jellig
Sports Editor

Lucie Fontanella played 16 minutes of near perfect basketball last Saturday, propelling the Lady Friars past #14 UCONN, 91-89. She scored 16 points, grabbed 6 rebounds and had two steals in just 16 minutes of play.

Lucie did it in dramatic fashion, hitting 4 consecutive free throws, 2 with one second left. She also shot 6-7 from the field, and hit all four of her free throw attempts.

With :05 remaining, Shanya Evans drove to the basket and put up an off balanced shot which missed. However, Lucie grabbed the rebound and alertly put it back up, drawing the foul. After a UCONN time out, the freshman calmly nailed both free throws.

"I wasn't really aware of the clock, but I knew time was dwindling," explained Lucie.

This game produced several heroes for Providence. Helen Mency hit 7 of 12 treys, for 21 points, to go along with 6 re-

bounds and 3 steals. Tracy Lis had another outstanding game, finishing with 20 points, 9 rebounds, 4 assists and 3 steals.

Shanya Evans continues to lead the nation in assists, thanks to a great effort Saturday. The senior point guard dished out 13 assists to go along with 13 points. Jennifer Mead had a game-high 10 rebounds and Stephanie Cole chipped in 13 points and 6 assists.

The game was an emotional roller coaster for players and fans. Stephanie Cole started the Lady Friars off on the right foot, hitting a 3-pointer one minute into the game. PC then began to put pressure on the Huskies, going up by as many as 7 with eight minutes to play in the half.

The Winning Smile



Lucie Fontanella

The lead then flip-flopped several times, with Tracy Lis' 2 free throws cutting the UCONN lead to one at 42-41, going into the half. Tracy finished the half with 14 points.

The second half was similar to the first, with neither team taking full control. UCONN however, did manage a nine

point lead with just over 5 minutes to play. This is when Lucie Fontanella began to work her magic.

A 2-time Big East Rookie of the Week, Lucie will look for her 3rd such award this week. She scored 14 of PC's final 24 points.

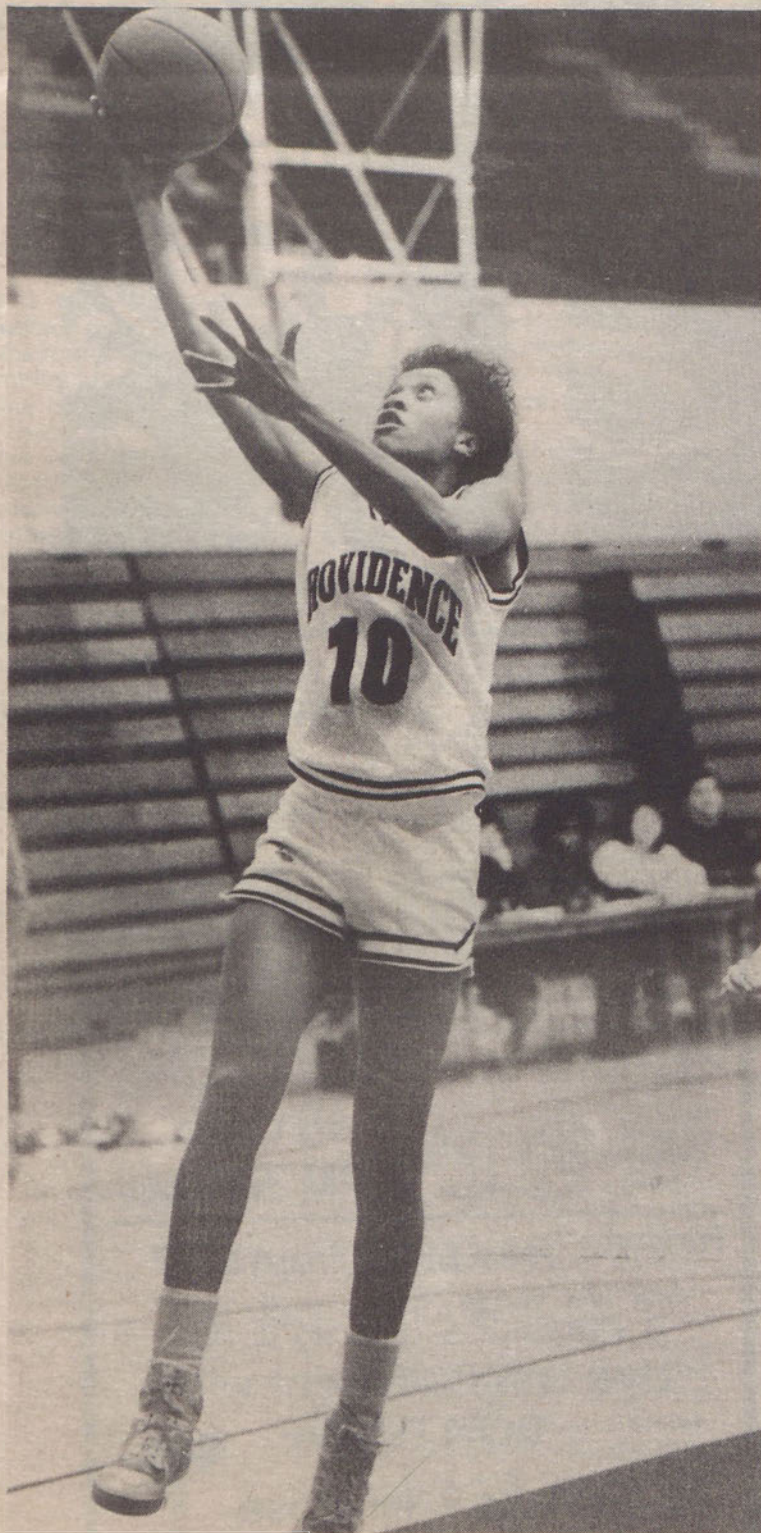
The sell out crowd at Alumni Hall was in a wild frenzy for most of the final three minutes. With PC trailing by 7, and 2:30

left, Shanya Evans nailed a 3-pointer, cutting the lead to 4. Then, last year's Big East Player of the Year, Kim Bascom, hit two free throws. Nine seconds later, Lucie scored on a great feed from Shanya, to cut the lead to 86-82 with 1:48 left.

Following a PC time out, Lucie scored on a lay up cutting the lead to 2. Twenty seconds later, Helen Mency knocked down her 7th 3-pointer, lifting the roof off Alumni Hall. UCONN called time out, but failed to score. Lucie was then fouled and converted both charity shots, for an 89-86 Lady Friar lead.

However, Kim Bascom proved why she was Player of the Year

in the Big East, nailing a 3-pointer with :19 remaining to knot things at 89. This set the stage for Shanya's shot, Lucie's rebound, and Laura Lishness' foul. UCONN tried to ice the freshman with a time out, but to no avail. On this day, Lucie and the Lady Friars were not to be denied.



Helen Mency led the Lady Friars with 21 points.