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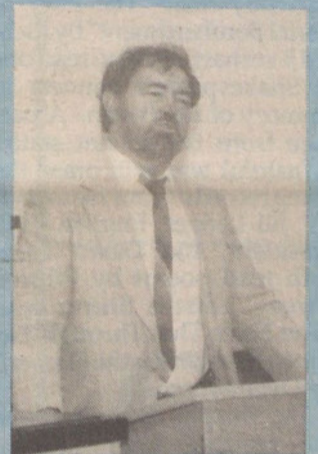
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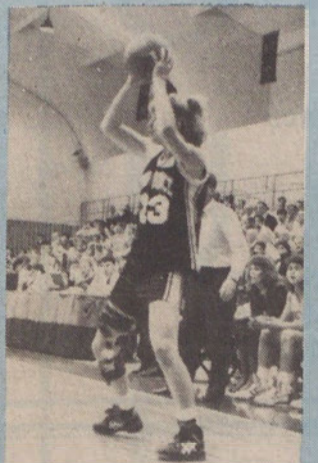
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## PC Suffers Great Loss of Dr. Rene Fortin

by Colleen Carson  
News Editor

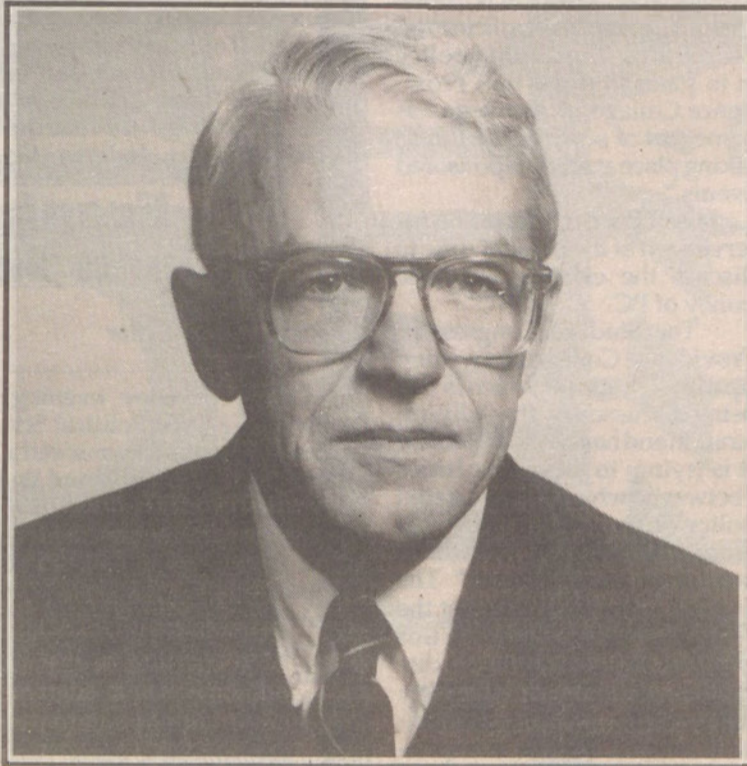
"There is nothing stronger in the world than gentleness." These are the words Dean Joseph Gemma used to describe Dr. Rene Fortin, English professor, who died Tuesday, Feb. 26 after a long illness.

"Dr. Fortin's contribution to Providence College and the English Department was singular in respect to the variety of his intellectual interest, the quality of his writing, and the depth of his intellectual inquiry," said Dr. John Hennedy, Chairman of the English Department.

"Dr. Fortin was a very open, understanding and reasonable man. He was the easiest person to talk to about anything and he was always willing to engage in a conversation," said Fr. John F. Cunningham, President of PC.

Dr. Fortin joined the PC staff in 1957 after graduating with a B.A. from PC in 1955. He received his M.A. from Brown University in 1960, and his Ph.D. from Brown in 1964. Dr. Fortin became a professor of English at PC in 1969. He was the Director of Arts Honors Program from 1967-70, Chairman of the English Department from 1970-72, and the Director of the Western Civilization Program for fifteen years, from 1972-87.

President Cunningham



Dr. Rene Fortin

served with Dr. Fortin on the Language Arts Honors Program and taught with him in the Development of Western Civ. President Cunningham gave weekly seminars with Dr. Fortin on the Great Books. "Dr. Fortin was exceptional in seminar," said President Cunningham. "He had a great art in stimulating exciting discussions. He would go to the heart of a situation with minimum introduction, grasping

things very clearly. During his Civ lectures, I learned as much about literature as did the students. Dr. Fortin taught about the art of learning as well as literature." Dr. Fortin also served with President Cunningham on CART (Committee on Academic Rank and Tenure) and the Faculty Senate.

Dr. Fortin was known throughout the campus, especially among English majors, as the Shakespeare professor.

"Shakespeare was his first love," said President Cunningham. His critiques of Shakespeare's works have appeared in such prominent literary magazines as *Shakespeare Quarterly*, *Shakespeare Studies*, *Comparative Drama*, and *Papers in Literature and Language*. Dr. Fortin was a member of the Shakespeare Association of America.

Dr. Rodney Delasanta of the English department was a colleague of Dr. Fortin at Brown University. "He was a close friend and a treasured colleague for thirty years. Though I was his senior, I learned from him as I learned from no other, not only in matters academic, but also in matters that relate to one's humanity," said Dr. Delasanta.

Diana Cruz, class of '92, was one of the privileged students to have Dr. Fortin for Shakespeare Tragedies. "I didn't have any faith in myself when I started out as an English major, but Dr. Fortin treated me as more than a student because he was more than a teacher. He made Shakespeare come to life because he lived it. He probably would've made a great actor because of his vitality and enthusiasm. He was a loving man and will be greatly missed by myself and PC," said Cruz.

There will be a memorial Mass for Dr. Fortin on Wednesday at 11:35 a.m. in Aquinas Chapel.

## Should Changes be Implemented to the Existing Alcohol Policy for On-Campus Events?

by M. Iain Thistle  
Assistant News Editor

The present alcoholic policy of the PC administration has recently come under close scrutiny. Certain groups at PC feel that the policy is too strict to those students who are of the legal age to procure alcoholic beverages. The apparent problem seems to lie in the distribution of alcoholic beverages during school-sponsored events.

According to Father McPhail, this is the Administration's standard alcoholic policy for on-campus events. The number of tickets sold to students 21 or older (estimated) is multiplied by the duration (hours) of an event, and the total amount of beer is allocated for that event. The problem with this policy is that the Administration only allows for

the purchase of one beer per hour during the entire event. Because of this, each event runs out of beer within a short amount of time.

The distributor to PC, Charles Barkowski said during a phone conversation, that he was not aware of any national alcoholic policy pertaining to colleges from Anheuser-Busch. He said there are too many factors involved to determine such a policy, like the weight of an individual and or the psychological make-up of that person.

For senior school sponsored events at the Last Resort, Gaffney feels that there should be plenty of beer on hand for each event. "I think that each individual has to use his or her own discretion, in terms of the amount of beer being drunk, and if a student or students get too rowdy, then the BOP

should reserve the right to cease the selling of alcoholic beverages," said Gaffney.

With regard to changing prices and to offering more to seniors, Gaffney said he would like to see the price of beer lowered from \$1.25 to \$1.00, and offer a happy hour with drink specials at the Last Resort. In addition to this, Gaffney

**"The Administration isn't fooling anyone with this policy, it just makes advertising more difficult,"** said Gaffney.

would like to be able to change the advertisements displayed throughout the school. "I'd also like to be able to write on advertisements: 'Beer Available', or

draw a picture of a beer mug. Right now we can't even do that. All we can do is write, 'Beverages Available with Proper ID.'"

When asked about how the existing alcoholic policy of the school is working, Gaffney said, "Because of its enforcement, people feel the need to drink large quantities beforehand, prior to attending a school related function. I have heard numerous complaints from RA's about drunken disorderly students roaming the hallways of their dorms," said Gaffney, "particularly before the start of school events in Peterson Recreation Center."

"With all of the questions people are beginning to raise, pertaining to this issue, I hope they will realize that beer is not the only form of entertainment," said Gaffney. "People continued on pg. 2



## Alcohol Policy

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don't seem to realize that they can have a good time with just a few beers, and not overdue it. As long as people don't come to school sponsored events totally inebriated, usually there are not any problems," said Gaffney.

In response to the positive effects of the existing alcoholic policy, Gaffney said, "The policy assumes responsibility for those students who cannot be responsible for themselves, but is unnecessary." As he coordinates school related events with the Director of Student Activities and Slavin Center, Sharon Hay, Matt Gaffney said, "She is the first administrator I have worked with who established a policy and whether I liked it or not, stuck to it. She is very consistent."

In an interview on Friday with Father McPhail, Vice President of Student Services, a discussion ensued about the present alcoholic policy and how it effected a recent senior event sponsored by the BOP. The event lasted from 7p.m. to 11p.m.

At the Last Resort on February 16, Cliff Myers, a comedian/musician came to perform from 7p.m. to 11p.m. It was brought to McPhail's attention that when the event started at 7 p.m., there were approximately 150 tickets sold and 800 beers bought. The majority of students did not arrive until approximately 8:15 p.m. The BOP had anticipated selling 200 tickets, but since this did not happen, Sharon Hay let the BOP sell only 600 beers. The other remaining 200 beers were brought back to the distributor. Even with this cut back of beer, the remaining 600 beers were consumed within an hour. People still had a good time, but began to leave once they realized no more beer was left.

Presently, McPhail is still looking into this one particular incident. It is the first of its kind this year. McPhail said that he must look into all aspects before a decision could be rendered, which would prove beneficial to all parties involved. He feels that the national procedure employed by Anheuser-Busch, according to his understanding, is sound because "the school is getting outside advice from people who are supposed to be skilled in this area." When asked about selling more beer in the Last Resort, McPhail posed an interesting question in reference to the Cliff Myers incident, "If you have have good entertainment, why would you walk out on it?" Furthermore, McPhail said, "I have a respon-

sibility to the college and its concern over the well being of the students and the institution. None of us in the administration are Prohibitionists. We just feel that alcohol should be one of the components of entertainment, not the only one at a school sponsored event." In addition, McPhail felt that people do not have to drink excessively before going to a school-sponsored event. "Its illegal, immoral, and not a good idea, considering the possibilities of injuring yourself as well as others."

In regards to the duties that Miss Hay is performing, McPhail said, "Sharon is implementing the college policies and procedures. The alcohol policy is in place in order that Providence College, as a college has some sort of supervision that is taking place at school sponsored events."

Miss Hay declined to be interviewed at the present time to discuss the existing alcoholic policy of PC.

The Student Congress of Providence College has written up a new proposal which is still being discussed by the Administration and has not been passed. It is trying to tackle the issues "between what is the stated policy of the college and what we as students at PC feel would best serve our interests." The Student Congress feels that the "best way to try and solve this decisive issue is through discussion, debate, and ultimately compromise. Its proposal contains what it sees as a responsible method of providing alcohol to those students of legal age. A priority in this proposal is the safety of the students as well as a commitment to continue and deepen the alcohol awareness programs at PC." This information was obtained from the new proposal submitted by Student Congress to Fr. McPhail. It is presently being examined by Fr. McPhail and will be decided on in the near future.

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**Friday  
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photo by Jessica Shannon

by M. Iain Thistle  
Assistant News Editor

As students begin to line up for tickets early Tuesday afternoon, a feeling of excitement filled the air. By 2:00 p.m. a line had already formed with approximately twenty-five people eagerly awaiting their chance to claim a ticket for the Big East Tournament. Senior David Flynn, first on line at noon said, "This would be a great way to begin the roadtrip to Indianapolis, Indiana. Go

## Big East Sleepover

Friars!"

Senior Dave McConville said, "I'm going because I've got a lot of money riding on this game. And where Barnes goes, I go!"

Freshman Beth Sterling, last on line at 4:00 p.m., was thrilled to find a place to relax. When asked who she thought would win Friday night's game, she replied, "Who's playing PC?"

## Frank Bryan: Human Scale Politics

by Todd Spittler  
Assistant News Editor

On Wednesday evening, February 27, the Political Science Department sponsored a lecture by Frank Bryan of the University of Vermont. Mr. Bryan addressed the faculty and students of PC on the apparent plight of democracy in America. Bryan acquainted the assembled crowd in Moore Hall with his latest and collaborative effort entitled, *Vermont Papers: Recreating Democracy on a Human Scale*.

The *Vermont Papers* is an attempt to "regain democracy" through the means of decentralizing government, according to Mr. Bryan, big government does not necessarily mean better government. A "large, rigid, and hierarchical system" of government will tend to produce policies of compromise and mediocrity, stated Mr. Bryan.

His form of government is one in which the people, at the town and local level

should have a say on issues. In today's political arena, some decisions made at the state level could be dealt with in what Bryan calls "town meetings." He sees this radical transformation of government occurring quite suitably in his home state of Vermont.

Mr. Bryan argued that for the past generation, "the state government of Vermont has steadily wrested power from the people of its 246 towns," and is "in the hands of distant bureaucrats." Bryan sees such issues as education, welfare, and land usage as concerns that can be dealt with what he labels "shires," or regionally grouped towns. The shires will receive their power from the state and will be governed by its citizens. Mr. Bryan also noted, however, some issues such as civil rights and environmental matters are too large and would be left at the state level to handle. Mr. Bryan hopes his theory of democratic shires will serve as a model for other states to follow.

## Wartime Poetry Reading

by Kate Malloy  
Staff Writer

The same day the English Club scheduled the Wartime Poetry Reading, news that the Persian Gulf War was ending was definite. No one was complaining about the developments in Kuwait at the reading last Thursday, but the atmosphere remained somber as everyone remembered Dr. Fortin. Dr. John Scanlon began the event by dedicating it in the memory of Dr. Fortin.

Professor Terrie Curran and Professor Bruce Graver read medieval selections whose messages express how the futility of war has not been lost throughout the years. Professor Graver also read a descriptive passage about the aftermath of the French Revolution by Wordsworth.

Professor John Hennedy observed that this was a time when poetry can provide comfort. He was referring to the Gulf War, but also to the death of his colleague. Dr. Hennedy read "The Fury of Aerial Bombardment" by Richard Everhart. He also read one of Shakespeare's sonnets in memory of Dr. Fortin. A passage from the sonnet states, "Wasteful war will erase the living record of your memory."

Jill Ledger, English Club President, and David Boyle both read poems by Wilfred Owen. Kirsten Sherer read "The Force That Through The Green Fuse Drives the Flower," by Dylan Thomas.

Dr. Murphy fittingly closed the reading with General MacArthur's farewell address. In it, MacArthur quoted Plato as saying "only the dead have seen the end of the war."

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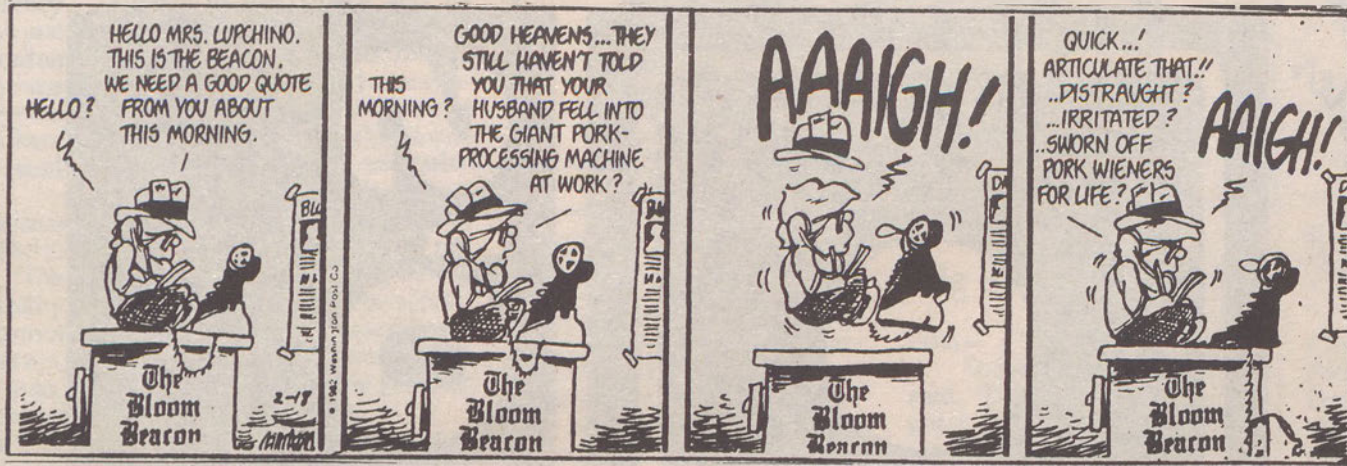
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# Editorials

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## March Is Women's History Month

by Anne M. Lee  
Assistant Editorial Editor

The first in a series of editorials on Women's History Month.

March is known for windy afternoons, shamrocks, green beer and Spring Break. March is also Women's History Month. Another such commemorative time, Black History Month, has just passed. Both periods have been set aside to pay homage to the achievements of those who have been overlooked in traditional history books.

Some may scoff at the creation of Women's History Month, including women of college-age, who have faced less discrimination than any of their predecessors. Many collegiate women have not felt the sting of sexism in their lives, or if they have, it has been very subtle. Yet Women's History Month should be a time to remember past struggles as well as to

address contemporary problems.

There are hundreds of issues which touch women's lives everyday. Perhaps the most applicable to us is

*"To Educate A Man Is To Educate An Individual. To Educate A Woman Is To Liberate A Nation."*

Malcolm X

education. Malcolm X said, "To educate a man is to educate an individual. To educate a woman is to liberate a nation." Education is the key to one's growth and development as a person, yet in

our lifetime, many colleges, including PC, were closed to women. Women were not able to reach their full potential as human beings. Does your mother work outside the home? What is her profession? Chances are she's a nurse, a teacher, or a secretary. There were very few options available for women after high school only a generation ago. That is not to say, of course, that the traditional housewife and mother was not a viable option. The point is that the choice was not available.

Women are just now breaking into math and sciences, are climbing the corporate ladder and are voicing their opinions. More women are enrolled in institutions of higher learning, receiving Masters and Ph.D.'s rather than "MRS." degrees.

Nevertheless, high government offices, the courts and big business are still disproportionately controlled by males in our society. Women's History Month is not only for American women but for women worldwide. Sadly, we have only to watch the news to see the continued oppression of females in the Islamic world. In many Middle Eastern countries, women and men are not allowed to mix in the same classroom. In the Asian world, women are still pushed into the stereotypical "career" of a wife and hostess, rather than being channelled toward more intellectual pursuits.

We should welcome the designation of Women's History Month as a time to contemplate issues like education. We tend to take for granted that which has been denied to women for much of history. Tribute must be paid to those who fought for women's rights to education and who helped, like Malcolm X said, to liberate the nation. It is only recently that women have been enjoying equal opportunity in education.

## Open Minds And Willing Hearts

by Patrick R. Sparks  
Asst. Editorial Editor

"Student Congress doesn't do a @#!@\$\$ thing!"

"The administration doesn't listen to students and will never change any policy!"

These two statements are characteristic of the feelings of many students. I know, I've often uttered these very words. I have, in fact complained about the "inactivity" of Congress and the "pigheadedness" of the Administration on numerous occasions. These criticisms in many instances have been well founded. On Monday, however, there was an event that seems to have shattered this, "Systemic Inactivity" here at PC. Fr. Tortorici, Director of Residence Life, announced that as result of actions taken by Student Congress, the newly proposed Lottery system will be drastically re-designed.

For those of you who don't know, The Office of Residence Life had planned to run a dorm lottery that consisted of two main components. The first of these components, was to be an option to students currently living in the dorms. This option was aptly called "Squatters Rights." These so called "Squatters Rights" would have allowed students to simply, stay in the room that they currently occupied. In conjunction with "Squatters Rights" the second component of the lottery system was called "Open Campus." This policy made any and all rooms available for selection, to those participating in the lottery. Previously, Residence Life has blocked off

a certain amount of rooms on upper campus for incoming freshmen. For all intents and purposes, this "Open Campus" policy would have created a lower-campus that housed only freshmen.

Upon hearing of this new dorm lottery system, Student Congress asked Fr. Tortorici to come to a meeting and listen to student reactions. Fr. Tortorici graciously accepted this invitation and listened attentively to every comment that was offered. He also gave thoughtful and candid responses to all questions. As a result of this meeting, Student Congress leaders, most notably President Marianne Monte and Tom Idzol, COA Rep., drafted a unified response to the Residence Life dorm Lottery. After reviewing this response, Fr. Tortorici decided to change his policy and cancel both "Squatters Rights" and "Open Campus." He did this in favor of blocking off rooms for incoming freshmen to insure that all residence halls will have an approximately 50-50 split between freshmen and upperclassmen.

This episode should teach everyone a couple of good lessons. First, people involved in Student Congress are not only "in it" for their resumes. Some, if not most (and I'm eating a few years of my own words here), truly do care. Secondly, the Administration is open to intelligent comments and suggestions, from Fr. Cunningham right on down the line. Those involved should be as open as Fr. Tortorici and as caring as Tom and Marianne. So, if you are not involved, get involved. Your ideas and comments will not fall on deaf ears. Thanks for listening, Fr. Tortorici.

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# Commentary

## Rebuttal To "Another Crusade"

by Thomas Mills  
Staff Writer

A week ago, David Boyle wrote an article entitled, "Another Crusade?" This article was a rebuttal of my editorial written three weeks ago entitled, "In God We Should Trust." Mr. Boyle, I must say that your article represented the high level of intellectual ability here at Providence College. Unfortunately, your intellect has failed you. As those who had ears but could not hear, you were able to read but not understand. Your article seemed to have missed the important points I was trying to make. In writing, I wish to erase from your mind any misinterpretations about my first editorial.

As I said a few weeks ago, my article was not

meant to give my personal opinions on the ethical and moral questions of the war, but rather, to encourage continued support for our soldiers. What was done was done. I can remember a friend saying to me that "we are all puppets of the political world." Yes, I do believe he was right. Our soldiers were given an order to carry out. That mission was to liberate Kuwait. I did not attempt to argue whether the decision was right or wrong. I only wanted to encourage support for those who had been called to duty. We must not forget that when our soldiers are called to duty, we the American people are also called to duty. What is that duty? The duty I am talking about is support. Supportive actions such as writing letters with

words of encouragement - "I'm proud of you - I am waiting for your safe return home - I love you and so do the American people." I encouraged the nation to stand behind its President and soldiers. I did not mean behind the decision that had been made, but rather, stand behind the men and women of the armed forces, the people. All I encouraged was standing behind the people we love.

The maxim "In God we Trust," is on all of our money. It is something that Americans believe in - trusting in God. I did not bring God in to justify our actions. For God has already given us his way, that is the scripture. However, I believe that God in his infinite wisdom and in his own time will make the wrongs right. Mr. Boyle, I think that you would

agree with me that God has all power. God needs no liberation. Breaking it down for you Mr. Boyle, I simply said if you have a loved one in the Gulf and if you believe in God, whether you're a Jew or Gentile, Catholic or Protestant, somehow your God would bring him or her home safely. I made a general statement. Using deductive reasoning, I believe in God - God has all power - therefore I believe that God can do all things because he has all power. Yes, I believe that God works through man for the good of mankind. This fact is made known everytime we see a fire truck coming to the rescue of a family or an ambulance rushing to one in need. God is there. This is not a crusade. It is Faith. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not

seen" (Heb. 11:1). "Faith is not a contradiction of reality, but the courage to face reality with hope" (Robert H. Schuller). We are reminded to stand fast in the faith. Just believing that God in his mysterious ways would work through man for the good of mankind, through means of peace or war, was the issue to be decided.

War is a dark time in history. For those who have family in the Gulf, it is almost impossible to see the light of peace and hope. Although the light may seem faint, I believe that God will work things out, not only for the American people but for the Iraqi people as well. It may not be in our time, for God works in eternities. But one day, we will be able to sit in peace with all people of the world. Mr. Boyle, like you I am praying for the day when we can lay down our weapons and talk it over peacefully.

do something about the silly lights lining the walk up from Fennell to parking lot D. Both these actions will make the PC student populace feel a lot more secure, myself included.

## Where's The Bus?

by Anne M. Lee  
Assistant Editorial Editor

It was 11:30 p.m., Monday. I had just been in the library, wracking my brains for brilliant editorial inspiration. Emerging from the warm building and standing in the bitter cold, I peered out into the darkness in search of...the bus. Yes, I admit it. I am one of those geeks who rides the bus to go back to my off-campus apartment. Although I have a car, I share it with my brother so it's not always available. Subsequently, I'm at the mercy of the PC off-campus shuttle bus, that semi-fictional vehicle that appears, it seems, indiscriminately. I stood forlornly for a few moments and resigned myself to the perils of the night. I grasped my keys between my fingers and headed out. I made it around Aquinas, past Stephens and

down the dark path by Guzman, only to encounter...the parking lot.

Who knows what lurks between the parked Fords and Chevrolets? Well, I thought, at least there are lights. Then came my second scare of the night, these so-called motion lights. As I stepped under them, they clicked off. Now, call me crazy, but this just didn't contribute to my sense of security. However, a few moments later I was unlocking the door to my Radcliffe haven, safe and sound.

There have been several excellent articles and letters in the editorial section of recent *Cowls*. One was a letter from a rape victim who stated, "I now truly believe this [rape] can happen anywhere to anyone." This includes PC, whether you choose to accept it or not. In fact, I can say, with a reasonable degree of certainty that this has been the case at least once in my three years here. I think we know Providence College, enclosed

by mere chain link fences, is not immune to the menaces of the city, especially at 11:30 at night.

Now, by the law of averages, the more often I am forced to walk home alone at night the greater my chances are of an incident occurring, be it rape, mugging, assault, or harassment. You may think I'm paranoid - that's the result of internment at the Supreme Court, dealing with crime victims. That insitution is encumbered with stories of sick behavior. In one week I heard about day care sexual abuse, sexual assault on a mentally retarded woman, and last week, the big news was the 15-yr.-old who raped his step-sister and stuck her head in a hole he carved out of a waterbed in an attempt to drown her. It really makes you wonder about the people with whom we share this earth.

Providence College, please indulge my paranoia, my insecurity, or my common sense, however you label it. Please

insure that the off-campus bus is there, every night, on the hour. I'm not saying it's never there. It sometimes is there, on time, with courteous bus drivers but it only takes one incident to create a bad situation. Also, please

## Letters To The Editor

### Thank you!

Dear Editor:

I am a P.C. parent. I would like to take this opportunity to personally commend Daniel Walsh for his outstanding article entitled, "The Core Has Crumbled." It was quite an article and I have sent it to several families of students who are applying to P.C. for next year. Mr. Walsh obviously has quite a talent for writing and a very acute sense of family and society today. Good look in the future!

Sincerely,  
Richard and MaryEllen Wyman,  
parents of Michelle, '93

## Disgusted With Ultra-Liberal Views

by Walter Galas  
Class of 1991

Invariably, every Wednesday I read the latest issue of *The Cowl* and get disgusted with the ultra-liberal views of the editorial staff. Granted, the editors are certainly allowed their political beliefs, but this is a school paper, not *The Militant*. If people are to be represented, then, at the very least, allow both sides to be heard and let the readers decide for themselves. Thus, in the interest of fairness, I will take this opportunity to present to you an article representative of the other side of the political spectrum.

Since I only have one shot at this, I will present as many issues as I can. Here goes:

It is actually painful for me to align myself with the A.C.L.U., but on one issue I must. Mr. Hann should not have been thrown out of Brown. His racial and anti-semitic remarks were ignorant, revolting, and unfortunately, but he has a clear First Amendment right to say

them. Brown is a private institution, but it is chartered by the state. Since the state gives Brown its existence, Brown must abide by the laws of the state. Hence, Brown cannot do anything that is contrary to the Constitution. Brown being a private institution has no bearing. Brown cannot throw Mr. Hann out for the same reason that a private men's club cannot prevent women from becoming members. It is simply unconstitutional.

You'll notice that I purposefully left out Mr. Hann's anti-homosexual comments because these I can understand. Since the birth of Christ, every major religion in the Western world has condemned the perversion of homosexuality. How, in these so called "enlightened" times, everyone must embrace homosexuals as normal. Certainly, many people have a problem with doing this and I cannot condemn them. It goes against all of the morality which has been taught to them throughout their lifetime.

The Civil Rights Bill of 1990 was nothing more than a bad law and I commend President Bush for having the backbone to veto it. Under this law, businesses when challenged as racists had to prove that they weren't. How exactly do you go about proving that you are not a racist? Assuming that it is possible to prove such a thing, why would you have to? The American legal system is based on the fact that one is innocent until proven guilty. However, the 1990 Civil Rights Bill would assume everyone to be guilty of racism until they themselves could prove otherwise. This spinning of such crucial American values is unacceptable. This law would have legally made racism the communism of the McCarthy Era. Every one would be a racist unless they could prove to the contrary. I only wish that people could be hired, fired and promoted, based on their own merits and nothing else. A nation burdened by quotas will never allow this to happen.

One and a half million ba-

bies a year are aborted, including one in every three right here in R.I. As a political solution, I would allow an abortion in cases of rape, incest, and life endangerment to the mother. This would eliminate 97% of all abortions and save approximately 1.455 million lives a year. Now, to anticipate arguments:

1. "Women are going to do it anyway so you may as well make it safe for them." Well, women, as well as men, are going to commit robberies, should we also make it safe for them? After all, many lives could be saved if robbers and other criminals were allowed to commit their crimes in safety.

2. "It's a women's body and she can do with it whatever she pleases." Yes, but she can't sniff cocaine. It is her body, but it is not her life.

3. "It is not a life." O.K., then what is it? You may disagree on when your life began, but I know that when the zygote that was me formed, everything from my height to the color of my eyes was determined by the imprinted genetic code. All that

was left for me to do was grow and develop. Unfortunately for many, the first nine months of growth takes place within the mother and currently, she is allowed to terminate the process. Thus, preventing the unique individual to form.

This country will continue to go down the drain as long as politicians are measured solely by how much money they spent on this and that. It is not how much money is spent, but rather the quality of the money spent that matters. Who cares that spending on say, education went up? All that is important is whether or not the quality of education is improved.

I know that many of you will disagree with me on some or all of these issues and that is good. No one wants a totally homostatic campus. Just remember that not everyone is eager to be "politically correct" and those who aren't are not as close minded as *The Cowl* editorial editors would lead you to believe. My mind is certainly open and I'm not "politically correct;" instead, I am politically sound.



# Editorials

## Roving Photographer

### What Was Your Favorite Moment From The 1990-91 Basketball Season?



Rob Phelps '94: If they make it to the NCAA's.



Michael Smith '94: When they win.



Joanne Walter '91: When Eric broke the steals record.



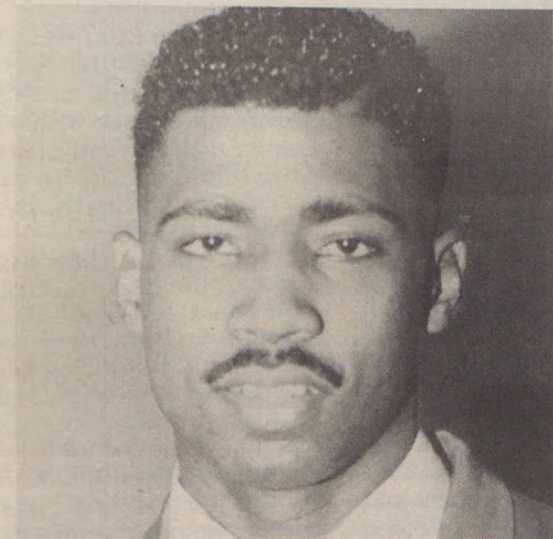
Mr. Dave Gavitt: The ceremony for the seniors is always very special. I've gotten to know Eric and Chris very well.



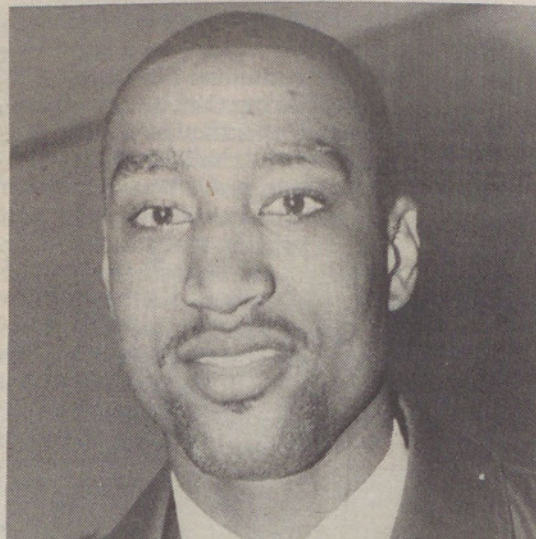
Coach Rick Barnes: When you see guys play with the confidence they did tonight. This team has achieved more than anyone thought they could.



Eric Murdock '91: When we beat Georgetown and Syracuse. Personally, when I scored 45 against Arizona and 48 against Pitt. I tried my hardest to help the team.



Chris Watts '91: Seeing my mother get the recognition she deserves, in the school newspaper and in the local paper.



Marques Bragg, '92: Watching Marv get that dunk tonight. I didn't know he had it in him.



Duffy Dwire (Could he be the Real Phantom?): End of the game when Eric set the steals record. Chris Watts had a big part in that game. Chris has always been there.



# Student Congress

## Meet the Residence Board President

by John Raguso  
P.R. Committee Member

*Pete D'Agati is the president of the Residence Board this year.*

**John:** What events and responsibilities does the Residence Board handle throughout the year?

**Pete:** We are a representative body of all the on-campus residences. We provide services such as fire proofing and operation of Colonel's Corner. We also run such events as Blind Date Balls, Tuck-ins, Battle of the Halls, as well as individual Hall activities.

**John:** What is the function of Colonel Corner?

**Pete:** A place where people can go to watch cable T.V., play pool and have a free soda. It's open Monday through Thursday from eight to twelve and Friday and Saturday from ten to two. Its also used as a meeting place for special events such as pizza parties, self defense classes and football games which are sponsored by the individual halls.

**John:** To what events has these dorm dues gone too?

**Pete:** Each individual hall collects its own hall dues which it uses for hall sponsored events. Some halls have had movie nights, pool tournaments, pizza parties, study

breaks, etc....

**John:** How did the Tuck-ins go over this year?

**Pete:** As always, they were a big success. All the tuckers had a wonderful time, it was just a lot of fun.

**John:** Will there be a revival of the

**"What is the fate of the Blind Date Balls this year?"**

**Battle of the Halls?**

**Pete:** Yes, we're planning them for late in the semester. They should be a lot of fun. We're hoping for a great deal of participation. The winning halls as before will come away with prizes.

**John:** What is the fate on the Blind Date Balls this Year?

**Pete:** After the problems of last year it was questionable as to whether the Blind Date Balls would go on. With a lot of work done by the whole Residence Board we've worked out a plan that we hope will alleviate some of the problems of the past. The fate of each Blind Date Ball is

still contingent on the success of its precursor so we still depend on the responsibility of each student to make them work. I'm hoping that all will cooperate and they will be a huge success.

**John:** How does one get involved with the Residence Board?

**Pete:** The Executive Board elections will be held with all other Student Congress executive elections later this semester, while individual hall elections will be held at the beginning of next year. We encourage people to get involved its a chance for people to be creative with student life.

## Thanks For Listening!

by Kristin DeAngelis  
Ass. Congress Correspondent

Last week, I wrote about how I felt that the integration of sophomores and freshmen in the Residence Halls were important. I praised my sophomores from my freshman year for their help and thanked my freshmen from my sophomore year for their fun. I also reported that Father Tortorici and Dennis DelGizzo came to listen, yes listen, to our feelings concerning certain new policies that dealt with the lottery. As I sat there last Monday, I felt frustrated that they were not listening to the members of Congress, Friars Club, BOP or the RA's. I was wrong.

This week Father Tortorici came in to the meeting to report that the policy had been revised. Due to the fact that the "open campus" policy was deemed unfair by the students, the Residence Board decided to take this into consideration. They eliminated this policy. As a result of the elimination of the "Open Campus," Residence de-

ecided to rule out "squatters rights," also. They were afraid that people, in order to keep prime rooms, would keep their present roommates, even if this meant undesirable conditions. They feared this would lead into many unhappy residents and cause a serious problem concerning room changes in October. Residence, after taking the time to confer with students, tried to do what they thought was best for them.

Also, due to the expressed disgust in the upkeep of lower campus, Father Tortorici requested members of Student Congress to create a committee to oversee improvement of the conditions on lower

**"I was wrong."**

campus. Anyone interested can stop by the Congress Office for more information.

We understand that this may not seem that appealing to the freshmen class, but think of the incoming freshmen. You, as future sophomores, have had the opportunity to meet new friends and become a part of the campus-you began you're adjustment process with a fair opportunity. Don't you think the incoming freshmen deserve the same fair opportunity? Separate campuses are not in line with the philosophy of community spirit at PC. Student Congress saw this as a problem and addressed it.

Student Congress would like to thank all those who expressed their opinions about the lottery system. It showed that students do care. We would also like to thank Father Tortorici and Dennis DelGizzo for taking the time to listen to us and show that they really were listening to us. Some of my faith has now been restored in the system.

## Residence Life Responds to Student Congress

by Rev. J. Tortorici, O.P.  
Executive Dir. of Res. Life

Several weeks ago the Office of Residence Life published its lottery system. Although many aspects of it were received quite positively, the "Open Campus" idea came under serious criticism.

The possibility of this creating three all freshman residence halls was seen as very negative for Providence College's integrated campus image.

Last week we received a well written critique of the proposed lottery system from the Student Congress. It was requested that we drop the idea of an "Open Campus" from the lottery.

After hours of considera-

dence floor is to the student body.

In order to improve the quality of life on the east (lower) campus and to make it more attractive to all students, the Office of Residence Life invited the Student Congress to form a joint committee to explore the ways of improving student life on east campus.

Within the next week a description of the revised Lottery System will be distributed to all resident students.

The revised system will contain the following: 1) lottery will be held, as announced, on April 9 and 10, between the hours of 2 pm and 10 pm on the fourth floor of Harkins Hall; 2) prior to the lottery, each student who has

**"The process of making this decision was both painful and rewarding."**

tion the decision has been made to eliminate both the "Open Campus" idea as well as the "Squatter's Rights" provision. This decision was found acceptable to the Student Congress at this weeks meeting.

The process of making this decision was both painful and rewarding. The Office of Residence Life discovered how important the value of having upper class and first year students sharing the same resi-

made a room deposit on time will be issued a card indicating the day and time to report for room selection; 3) lottery times will be assigned in the following order: seniors, juniors, residents of east campus, and finally the remainder of the Class of 1994; and 4) students who receive lottery times which fall later on April 10 are encouraged to arrive with several options so as not to delay the lottery process.

## After Eight

presents

*Student Talent Show,  
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- Deadline for entries 9:00pm March 12th

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**"Brother to brother: an organization of men against domestic violence"**

Moore Hall III Monday, March 11

7:00 pm



# Providence College

## In Memorium

by Bill Myers  
'91 Vice-President

On Wednesday, March 13th, at 3:00 p.m. in Aquinas Chapel, a Mass will be celebrated in memory of Gregory Aucoin and Scott Lyons. It has been one year since these two members of the Class of 1991 died in a plane crash.

The class officers of the Class of 1991 believed that something had to be done in commemoration of the anniversary of their deaths. For this reason, the class decided to dedicate a plaque and plant a tree in memory of our two classmates.

This ceremony will immedi-

ately follow the memorial Mass and will take place in the area between Apartment A and Apartment B.

The Class of 1991 is thankful for the help that they have received from the close friends of Greg and Scott and from Father Adrian Dabash of the Chaplain's Office in order to make this memorial Mass special. All of those involved with this memorial mass and ceremony sincerely hope that the Providence College community will come together to celebrate the memory of our two classmates.

*In Memorium of  
Gregory Aucoin, '91 and Scott Lyons '91  
First Anniversary Mass, Friday, March 8,  
1991 at 4:30 pm in Aquinas Chapel  
Memorial Mass and Dedication Ceremony,  
Wednesday, March 13, 1991 at 3:00 pm in  
Aquinas Chapel*

## Announcements

**Class of 1992:**

**It's time to start planning for Commencement**

Interviews for Commencement Core chair positions will be held March 18-21

**Watch for further details!**

**Class of 1993:**

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## Nominations Begin

by Veronica Sullivan  
Election Chairperson

The time has come once again for the executive elections to take place. Elections offer you, the student, the perfect opportunity to make a difference. The Boards that will be participating on these elections are: Student Congress, Residence, BOP, OCRO, IAB, BMSA, and ACC. I encourage all of you to realize how much you can implement change and better the PC Community by running for positions.

For example, Student Congress tried to improve relations with the Elmhurst community. They began to close the communication gap with the community through a publication entitled, *Peaceful Coexistence*. This has been welcomed with a positive response from the community. The other Boards have directed their energies into the distribution of these flyers to express their concerns they have over the neighborhood relations.

Now, it is time for you to

### The Executive Board Elections are on the Way!

Boards in the Election are as follows:

- ACC
- BMSA
- BOP
- IAB
- OCRO

- Residence Board
- Student Congress

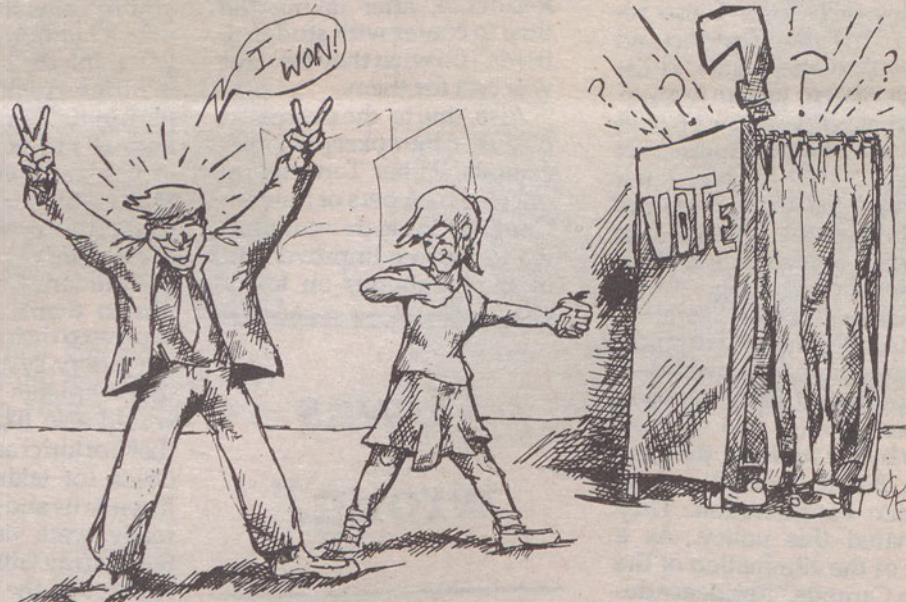
The Nomination Period will be  
**March 12, 13, 14**  
Videos will be taken  
**March 15, 16, 17**  
The Election is **March 21st.**

stand up to the challenges that will face us next year. We can only make a change, if the people who know they can lead this change run for office. For all those who are interested, nomination forms will be available start-

ing March 12th in the Congress Office.

If you are interested in representing your class, nomination forms will be available starting April 9th.

Good luck to all who accept this challenge!



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## Student Congress Minutes for March 4, 1991

Minutes for the March 4th meeting are as follows:

Announcements:

- March 8th Big East Game 7:00 p.m.
- *Peaceful Coexistence* - Thursday March 7th, was cancelled Sat. because of bad weather.

Rules were suspended-Father Torrici spoke-open campus ahs been eliminated in the lottery policy, this also means squatters rights is also eliminated.

Board Reports:

COA: PC has a new non-smoking policy. There no longer any smoking in public areas, except where signs permit it. There was an oil spill, approx. 700 gallons into Narragansett Bay.

New Business:

Bill SS-01-14-passes about election rules concerning videos.



# Features

## 'Til Death Do Us Part ?!

Tricia Connolly  
Asst. Features Editor

I've seen both sides of the fence, and I still don't know where the grass is greener. I'm talking about relationships in college. The question arises whether to be or not-to-be tied to a significant other, for better or for worse, at least until Commencement Week. Many of us will deny that relationships can exist at PC, while a blissful minority are currently knee-deep in the depths of the unknown.

I could begin by defending my position as a "swinging single." Since dating is practically unheard of on this campus, we are often left to fend for ourselves. Most students, at one time or another, have participated in a favorite PC pastime popularly known as "scooping." Those of us who have taken part in this awkward tribal ritual have later decided to return under the rock from which we emerged one night in a drunken stupor.

Despite these drawbacks, this is the first time in several years that I have not been involved with someone, and I am actually enjoying myself. The fun part of this status is not having to take myself too seriously. Relationships are hard work. When you are involved with someone in an already highly stressful environment like college, many things have to take priority at once. Making time for some-

one else is not easy. I've spent the past few months getting to know new people and doing things that I did not have the time or the courage to do when I had to consider someone else. I find fulfillment in doing things for myself. The only problem is that I am often doing these things by myself.

The single life can also be lonely. It is difficult when I come home from the library on a rainy night and both of my roommates are cuddled up in front of the TV with their boyfriends. I feel as if I am intruding on something; I forget how love can be exhilarating and fulfilling in many aspects of its own. Sometimes I miss the security of such close companionship, having someone with whom to share your everyday experiences. When you are away from home for four years, away from everything familiar and trustworthy, college can seem like an endless search to combat loneliness. However, my "married"



friends assure me that life can always be lonely; you always have yourself.

College is a time of freedom, whether you are with someone or on your own. Freedom is discovering and learning things about yourself through different people and experiences. Note everyone you date has to be Mr. or Mrs. Right; that is one of the advantages of being a young adult in the nineties. We have all the time in the world to experiment and to explore our opportunities and options. My last boyfriend is still one of my closest friends. I find it strange when people see us still getting along so well, and I am asked if we are getting back together. He is one of the greatest people I've known, and through our relationship, I have met so many other students with whom I have become close friends (thanks guys- MW, JM, KB, SE, MC, DK, and, of course, DD). I just realized that we were better off not trying to be the world's greatest love match. I don't have any plans to get back together and neither does he, but that does not mean we should have to give up sharing our friendship and good times.

I guess the best advice for all parties is a wise and simple little quote from, believe it or not, Madonna: "Don't go for second best baby/ Put your love to the test/...Respect yourself." Good luck everybody!

## Goodnight, Sweet Prince

Megan Grennan  
Asst. Features Editor

"Good night, sweet Prince, And flights of angels sing thee to thy rest" (*Hamlet* vii 370-1).

These were the inspired words Fr. Thompson chose to close his homily with at Dr. Rene Fortin's funeral on Friday, March 1. The quote was not only moving but extraordinarily fitting for the Shakespearean scholar, writer, professor, friend, husband, father, brother and grandfather. Dr. Fortin was a greatly loved and respected man in the Providence College community, and he will not be easily forgotten.

I first experienced Dr. Fortin during my freshman year in the Civ program. A tiny, enthusiastic teacher, he was never without his can of Diet Coke and his lectures were undoubtedly fast-paced and memorable. He led us from one textual passage to the next with so much excitement and energy that it was hard not to be drawn into the work along with him, even at 9:30 in the morning. His lecture on *Lysistrata* stands out in my mind with all of its sexual innuendos, but after hearing him speak for two classes on *Hamlet* I was determined to get into one of his highly sought-after Shakespeare courses. I literally and unabashedly begged him to overenroll me in the course, and although he usually only accepted upperclassmen, he re-

lented and signed my enrollment slip.

Before I knew it, I was fully immersed in the study of Shakespeare's Comedies with Dr. Fortin as my mentor. The following semester I again indulged in the experience of his expert tutelage, taking on Shakespeare's Histories and Tragedies under Dr. Fortin's guidance. In the two consecutive years I had him as a teacher, he never cancelled a single class for any reason. I, too, never missed one of his lectures, not because I am a wonderful student, but because I thoroughly enjoyed class with Dr. Fortin. He simply loved literature, and his enthusiasm rubbed off onto everyone he encountered. He bounced around the room in his excitement over a passage or new insight, thoroughly engaging himself in the work. Word choice, sentence structure, soliloquies and allusions... Dr. Fortin was thrilled with these and students couldn't help but recognize the brilliance of Shakespeare when experienced through the eyes of his greatest fan, Dr. Rene Fortin.

Aside from being a beloved and admired professor on our campus, Dr. Fortin was also renowned as a published Shakespearean scholar and critic. Every time I went to do research on a play I would come across Dr. Fortin's name in volume after volume of Shakespearean Critical Essays. His

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# Features

## Gimme A Break !!

Megan Grennan  
Asst. Features Editor

The war situation is getting better, but I'm still not at ease about the whole thing. I can't help but worry that Saddam will be back, maybe stronger.

It's cold and slushy out and I hate this class and I want to stay in bed, but we have an exam next week and an enormous paper due next class.

I'm starving but all we have to eat is a can of frosting. I'm starving, but I want to lose ten pounds by Spring Break. I'm starving, but I'm broke.

I'm tired.

I can't wait to do something outside of the library.

Feeling overwhelmed and stressed this week, I decided to do a little "Roving Reporter" survey of my own to see if this was a universal state. I asked a random sampling of students to share with me three things on their mind. First and foremost on EVERYONE'S thoughts is the war issue. So much for accusations of PC apathy! Students seem extremely concerned about the issue, and most are wondering if this "end" can

truly be considered a finality. The whole subject is gnawing at the back of our minds at all times, and creates a great deal of anxiety and tension. Much as we try not to let it get us down, thoughts of war affect our concentration, study habits, and even our desire to go out!

The trials and tribulations of classwork, exams, and endless paper writing was the second, almost unanimous concern of the students in my study. Christmas recess is long forgotten and the semester's demands are fully upon us. Worse that

that, Easter is still a month away! Trudging to class in the cold, spending the entire day in the library and even still feeling like you've gotten nothing done... Speaking for the entire PC population right now, we need it BAD! Some of us don't even have Jamaica to look forward to. But right now, even a week of watching "Green Acres" with Mom and Dad every night sounds like a treat!

The third main item on the average student's mind at this moment has to

do with one thing: FOOD. The lack of because of laziness or immobility; the lack of because of weight-loss strategies; the lack of because of poverty. Sounds like we're all wasting away to nothing! I think we could all use some of Mom's good, old-fashioned cooking in a big way! Unfortunately, most of us won't be home again until Easter break, if then.

Other miscellaneous comments were made in reference to sleep and extracurricular activities. In a way, these can be lumped together and deemed corollaries of the one, main concern or wish of Joe PC student: I WANT A BREAK. Our campus is swelling with anxiety, stress, starvation, and the very human need for free time and relaxation. Unfortunately, we've got a month to go before this dream can be realized in any concrete way. Maybe next year we'll have two separate breaks for Easter and Spring Recess... Until then, hang in there! Remember, the guy next to you is feeling pretty much the same way you are. Let's try and be considerate of others and do our best to make this pre-Easter stretch as pleasant as possible for everyone! For it's a well documented fact that it is in giving that we receive...

### Professor Remembered

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analyses are widely known and respected in the field. It was a bit intimidating presenting a paper to such an accomplished man! But Dr. Fortin was always fair and understanding regarding his students, and was as greatly loved as a person as he was as a professor.

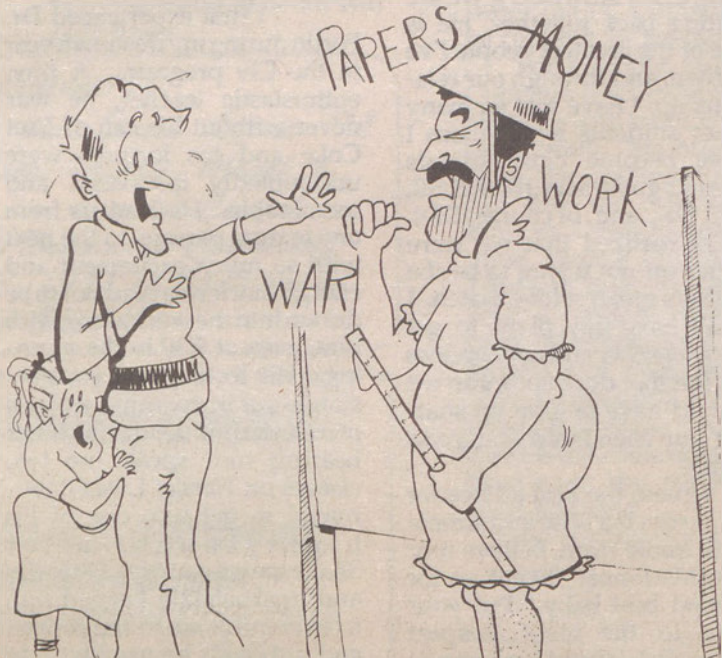
Please remember Dr. Rene Fortin in your prayers, along with his family and friends. In his relatively short lifetime, he was able to accomplish a great deal and touched the lives of many, including his loved ones here at PC. I'd like to say farewell to my mentor using the words of Shakespeare's Marcus Antonius:

His life was gentle, and the elements

So mixed in him that Nature might stand up

And say to all the world, 'This was a man.'

Dr. Fortin, thank you for sharing your time, enthusiasm and insight with us. We are grateful to have shared in a part of your life, and these memories will help to keep a part of you with us, always.



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# Arts & Entertainment

## The Doors of Entertainment

Michael Adamowicz  
A&E Staff Writer

"I've always been attracted to ideas that were about revolt against authority. I am interested in anything about revolt, disorder, chaos, especially activity that seems to have no meaning." This quote, more than any other, best sums up Oliver Stone's presentation of *The Doors*, which focuses mainly on the late Jim Morrison.

Throughout its short history, Rock has had its share of controversial figures ranging from the late John Lennon to the present day Sinead O'Connor. Controversial figures may vary in musical style and beliefs, however the one thing they all have in common is you either love them or you hate them.

This goes without saying for Jim Morrison. This is true mainly because of his questionable concert performances, such as indecent exposure and his numerous run-ins with authority, but also because of his lyrics, which were his creative outlet of expression. This is the focus of Stone's film, which portrays Morrison as primarily a poet and then a rock star/media figure.

Ray Manzarek formed The Doors in 1965 after hearing some of Morrison's poetry. The band was then named The Doors after one of Morrison's philosophical

theories: "There are things known and there are things unknown and in between are The Doors". A no more perfect name could be thought for this group, which between 1967 and 1971 were certainly right in the middle of things.

Morrison told critics that the reason they did not like his poetry was because they did not understand it reason they didn't like it was that they didn't understand it, which probably was the truth. This is the major overtone of Stone's presentation, pointing to the fact that Morrison had some sort of mystical experience in the desert involving Indians in Mexico at a young age.

Tying this in with his poetry and elaborating on it through the use of hallucinogenic drugs, Stone shows how Morrison created some of the most creative lyrics in rock history. Some of these are best exemplified on the song "The End," ironically off the Doors' first album. Unfortunately, Morrison's drug addiction wound up getting the better of him as he died in Paris in 1971, of a supposed drug related/alcohol heart attack.

While Morrison's death was unfortunate Stone demonstrated how it was certainly inevitable and very much part of Morrison's thoughts. Morrison openly liked to talk about

death and was willing to trade off theories with anyone. Depicting this as another major theme, Stone adequately portrays the downside of Morrison's means of expression and the dark side of his personality.

One thing that Stone did not produce in his production is something other than a mystical explanation of why Morrison was the way he was. Through the picture we got a man who seemingly appeared one day on Venice Beach, California, and went on to become a rock and roll icon. Perhaps this was Stone's goal, however I like to think that it was something more, namely his family situation. This is the one aspect of Morrison which goes almost unmentioned in Stone's film. Much more attention to Morrison's family situation was paid to in Morrison in the best selling biography *No One Here Gets Out Alive*. Not hearing more mention of his family was disappointing, simply because the bulk of the built up anger Morrison held inside was the result of an unstable background.

However in order to give credit where credit is due it was entertaining to see one of rock's legendary bands portrayed accurately on the big screen. Val Kimer comes through in a particularly striking performance as Morrison, displaying Morrison's chaotic behavior, but also balancing it with his charisma. The rest of the cast performed equally well as the people

who surrounded Morrison, namely the Doors and his girlfriend, Pamela, played by Meg Ryan.

Overall, *The Doors* is a great rock movie as well as an accurate adaptation of the atmosphere surrounding the group. Stone does a great job of balancing Morrison's brilliance with his madness, particularly his prob-

lems with drugs and alcohol. He also shows the negatives and positives of living on the edge. Overall, the movie is a must for Doors fans and anyone with a general interest in rock music.

*The Doors* is playing at Showcase Cinema in Seekonk, MA.

## Blackfriars Go Buggy

"As Gregor Samsa awoke one morning from uneasy dreams, he found himself transformed into a gigantic insect." — *Metamorphosis*

The Providence College Theatre Arts Department concludes its 1990-1991 dramatic season with Steven Berkoff's adaptation of Franz Kafka's renowned short story. As an adaptation of Kafka's "Metamorphosis," Mr. Berkoff's play presents the frightful story of one man's struggle to maintain his humanity as those around him react to his incomprehensible fate. Under the direction of John Garrity, assisted by Stephen Cabral, *Metamorphosis* will be performed March 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24, 1991 at the Blackfriars Theatre on the campus of Providence College.

Originally produced on Broadway in 1989 with Steven Berkoff as director, *Metamorphosis* featured Mikhail Barishnykov as the ill-fated Gregor. Reviewers of the original Broadway production remarked at the value of this turn-of-the-century story for modern audiences; indeed, the play stresses human relationships and hostilities and each other's needs under the surrealistic guise of Gregor's fate. For ticket information and reservations, please call the Blackfriars Theatre Box Office at (401) 865-2218.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## What's A Tangier?

Frank DePasquale  
A&E Staff Writer

As the warm weather approaches, so do the bigger concerts. Mega-acts like INXS, Sting, Paul Simon and Yes have already begun or are just about to go on the road. Although these bands are very popular and will undoubtedly gross a lot of money, they lack that element of surprise and newness; either you love them and you'll go see them or you won't. Instead, why not see what's going on in smaller venues such as The Channel, The Ritz or The Campus Club right here in Providence and try out a new band.



Doug Gordon of the band,  
Tangier

One such band is Tangier, a Philly based blues/hard rock quartet. At first glance most would say that these guys are just another ho-hummer but after a second or third try it's hard not to change your mind.

Tangier has just released their second LP, *Stranded*, and have gone under a few changes since their minorly successful debut album, *Four Winds*. The band has a new singer, Mike LeCompte, and has found a new energy both on vinyl and on stage. I chatted with lead guitarist and band founder, Doug Gordon, who spoke about this new feeling within the band, as well as Tangier's direction and live show, which will be in Providence March 17 at The Club.

*Doug, who were among your influences?*

I was a Clapton nut, especially Cream and his early solo stuff. I was an English guitar nut, like Page and Beck but I picked up my slide technique from American guitarists Dwayne Allman and John Winters.

*How did the band get started?*

I had left a project and had some songs that I wanted to make a demo for. I wanted the best guys in the area, so I called Eric Brittingham of Cinderella and he suggested bassist Gary Nutt. I found Bobby Bender, our drummer in N.Y. and we just got a new singer.

*How did you decide on the name Tangier?*

Same way you guys got *The Cowl*. Tangier is a city in Morocco. Deciding on a band's name is tough, but we liked it because it's just a name and you can't derive anything from it.

*Why did second guitarist Gari Saint and vocalist Bill Mattson leave the band?*

We had hit a brick wall creatively, there was no chemistry in the band. Great bands get a charge out of each other musically and that wasn't happening. We had to make a move.

*How did you decide on Mike LeCompte as the new singer?*

When we decided on the personnel changes, our management put out ads in all the major trade magazines. We got about 300 tapes from singers and people who think they can sing. We only auditioned three or four guys and nothing worked out. We actually went to Mike first, but he was working on a solo project and wanted to see where that went. Then a month before we did the album, he called us, thank God. The coolest thing about Mike is that besides a great voice, he's an unbelievable front man. He plays keys, guitar and a great song writer too. We are having fun live now, as compared to before.

*Tangier has been compared to Bad Co., Cream and ZZ Top, how does that make you feel about the band's direction?*

I think it is a fair analogy. Hopefully it's good timing because this blues/hard rock thing is coming back and maybe we can jump on the bandwagon. That's all we know how to play, we couldn't just sit down and write a top 40 song. So it's good being compared to those bands, it's an honor.

*What would you want to tell people who don't know much about Tangier, possibly to get people down to your Campus Club show?*

Bring your riot gear, our shows have been known to get pretty wild (he laughs). Seriously though, just come down and see it for yourself.

## WDOM Record Reviews

Andy DiGiovanni  
WDOM Public Relations Staff  
Record Reviews for The Cowl

Traveling Wilburys: *Volume Three*

Tom Petty, Jeff Lynne, George Harrison and Bob Dylan have come together again, as the Traveling Wilburys. Their first album, *Volume One*, was a fun record...not one of high-quality and unmatched music, but of simple, harmless songs that were easy to appreciate. Unfortunately, their newest LP, *Volume*

*Three*, does not have the same qualities. The album is dull and boring. In fact, the only tracks that have any hope at all are "She's My Baby," "Inside Out" and "The Devil's Been Busy."

After the loss of Roy Orbison, there is definitely a missing link in the band, but I do not think that his absence should make the LP as lame as it is. However, the record is dedicated to Orbison. Also, most of the lead vocals are sung by Petty and Dylan, whereas the album should have more by Harrison. Maybe the reason why *Volume Three* is so bad is because the Wilburys

skipped *Volume Two*. Sure, I could give it another listen, but I don't think my mind would change. Frankly, scallop, I don't give a clam. (Total time 36:13)

NOTES OF NOTE: The new album from R.E.M., *Out of Time*, is due out on March 15. I will review it as soon as possible. Also, look for reviews on Roger McGuinn, Steve Morse and Jazz guitarist Lee Ritenour. There are still tickets left for Sting at the Worcester Centrum this Saturday (March 9). Try Ray's Home Entertainment at 274-4050.

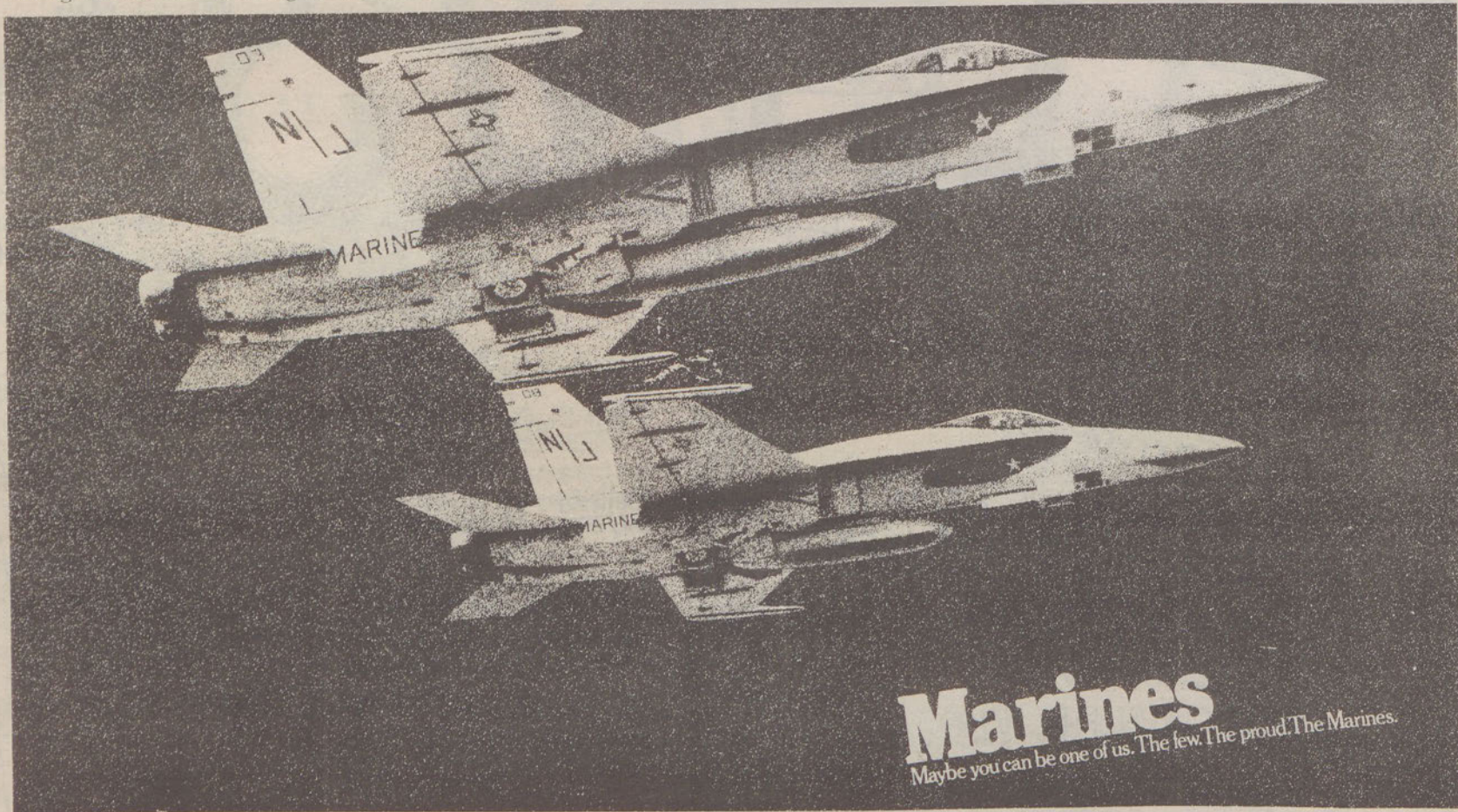
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*"But in concerning itself with liability and legal jargon that seems to be so important in today's society, administrators seem to have forgotten the social needs of college students."*

by Matthew Gaffney  
BOP President

Providence College used to have a bar for students called the "Ratskellar"; it was where our mini-mall is now. Everyone from Freshmen to Seniors would go to the Rat after class on Fridays for a beer, or plan to go to the Rat, right on campus, on Saturday nights. Then the drinking age in Rhode Island was raised from 18 to 20 and eventually, to 21. So, the Rat was closed, and the space was empty until the gameroom and, eventually, the mini-mall were erected.

But the school still seemed to be in touch with the need for students to gather socially and have a beer and unwind after studies and other activities. So they opened the Wooden Naval, where Colonel's Corner is now. It didn't serve beer everyday, but you could go on weekends and enjoy a drink with your friends and floormates. They didn't tell you how much to drink at the Wooden Navel either, they

just expected that as mature adults, people wouldn't get out of control.

Then the Wooden Naval moved, down to the Last Resort, and eventually it was renamed. The Board of Governors, soon to be the Board of Programers, began operating the Last Resort in the early Eighties. That was great, too. \$5.00 to get in and it was all you could drink. This was very popular with Seniors, but it could only accommodate about 200 people, and tickets would go quickly. Every event was a sell-out. After a long week of exams and papers, 200 lucky students could take advantage of a fun night out, right on campus, and people were just expected to be careful and nobody really monitored how much people drank.

But a couple of years ago that privilege was suspended too. We (BOP) fought to get the Resort re-instated, and agreed on a compromise: students would have to pay for each beer, and beer

couldn't be the primary reason for gathering. So we sold beer for a buck twenty-five, and hired quality entertainers to put on a show or tell some jokes or spin the tunes that make us want to dance, and for awhile the school just expected us to be responsible and they didn't monitor the amount of beer we ordered.

Recently, the reigns were tightened once again. The school has adopted a new policy, or decided to strictly enforce an old policy through re-interpretation, and now if the policy works it will effect BOP and other school functions like this: nobody is allowed to purchase more than one beer per hour. So if you come to the Resort on Friday, you can purchase four beers, because it is a four hour event. You can drink all four the first hour, or you can drink one beer per hour for four hours, but you can't have more than four beers. You see, the body rids itself of one drink of alcohol every hour, so if you come sober, drink four beers, stay four hours and leave, you'll have less than one drink in you.

Student Congress agrees with the BOP that this policy is too stingent, so they have proposed a new policy to Student Services administrators and a decision is pending.

In all the time I've worked on BOP, there never once was a problem at a Last Resort that was the result of someone drinking too much. But in concerning itself with liability and legal jargon that seems to be so important in today's society, administrators

seem to have forgotten the social needs of college students. We're going to gather on weekends, and socialize and dance and try to relieve some of the pressures of exams and papers, and yeah, we're going to drink. We don't have to be "talking to the big white bowl sick," and most of us rarely get that way, but it's nice to be able to have a few more than one or two beers every once in a while, and it would be nicer if we could do it on campus, together, Friars with Friars.



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# Academia

## Alumna Accountant Finds Success

By Susan Namarato  
Career Assistant

March is Women's History Month. In accordance, several articles will appear this month celebrating successful female Providence College graduates. Kathy O'Connor Eckels would certainly be placed among these women.

Kathy graduated from P.C. in 1978 with a major in Accounting. Exactly one week after her graduation, Kathy began working at the accounting firm of Pratt & Whitney in Connecticut. (Kathy strongly advises graduates to allow themselves more than a one week break before entering the work force.) Upon Kathy's entry to Pratt & Whitney, she participated in the Financial Management Training Program. In one year, Kathy had progressed to auditing a few of her own accounts. During Kathy's time at Pratt & Whitney, she passed the C.P.A. exam; however, she never went into practice.

After three and a half years, Kathy left Pratt & Whitney to work for Connecticut General (CIGNA). She entered CIGNA as an internal auditor, a position where her accounting skills were still required. However, after one year in this position, Kathy had the opportunity to enter management. Her first management position was in the Group Pension Area of CIGNA, and she was responsible for overseeing the work of approximately twenty employees. As time passed, Kathy progressed

to higher management positions within the Pension Area of CIGNA. In addition to overseeing employees, Kathy was a part of a special team that designed a new product account called "Flex Plans." Kathy said that her accounting skills helped her with the financial planning of this new product. Accounting was also beneficial when Kathy planned the financial budget for her department. Kathy's final position at CIGNA was as the Assistant Vice President where she oversaw up to one hundred employees. However, because accounting was no longer a part of Kathy's daily activities, it ultimately became the reason for her resignation from CIGNA after eight and a half years.

Kathy left CIGNA six months ago and immediately found a position at Traveler's Insurance, in Hartford, Connecticut, where she is involved in both accounting and management. Kathy's new position as National Account Director allows her to be both an administrative manager and a financial expert. As National Account Director, Kathy is in charge of five large accounts. She directs various teams that handle different aspects of each account. For example, one team might coordinate all the employee benefit administrative aspects of an account while another team may be in charge of all the financial and profitability aspects of the account. Although these teams do not directly report to Kathy, she does oversee their work and adds her input to their performance appraisals.

In reflection, Kathy states that she never thought that she'd be in such a high position nor did she ever think she'd make as much money as she is presently earning. Kathy remembers the feeling of devastation that overtook her when she did not receive any job offers from the "Big Eight" Accounting Firms that she interviewed with during her senior year. Now, Kathy realizes that her "rejections" were the best things that ever happened to her. "I never would have explored the field

**"Give it your all and realize that everything (good and bad) happens for a reason. It all works out for the best in the long run."**

that I am in now. So many doors were opened for me," Kathy said. Kathy's final words of wisdom: "Give it your all and realize that everything (good and bad) happens for a reason. It all works out for the best in the long run."

*Kathy Eckels is very willing to help and/or talk to any students with an interest in her field. If you would like more information about Kathy or any other P.C. alumni, please visit the Student Development Center in Slavin.*

## This Day in History

By Robert L. Deasy

On this day in :

1777 George Washington supported the promotion of Benedict Arnold to Major General for his excellence in the attack upon Quebec and the defense of Connecticut. After a brilliant effort during the Saratoga campaign he became commander at Philadelphia on June, 1778 where he began his betrayal of the American cause.

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1857 The United States Supreme Court in Dred Scott vs. Sanford (19 Howard 393) declared slavery to be legal and marked only the second time in American History an Act of Congress (The Missouri Compromise) illegal. The first had been Marbury vs. Madison (1 Cranch 137) in 1803.

1865 In desperation General Joseph E. Johnston was placed in charge of all Confederate forces in the Carolinas. He surrendered to General Sherman in April.

1884 Susan B. Anthony personally asked President Chester A. Arthur to support the cause for women's suffrage to no avail.

1942 Acting on an executive order issued by Franklin D. Roosevelt in the preceding month evacuation of 112,000 Japanese-Americans to "relocation camps" began. On December 17, 1944 the United States Army announced the termination of this order.

1943 The Germans lost 50 tanks in the unsuccessful attack on the British at Medeneine in Tunisia.

1944 Eight hundred B-17's bombarded Berlin wreaking tremendous havoc as the

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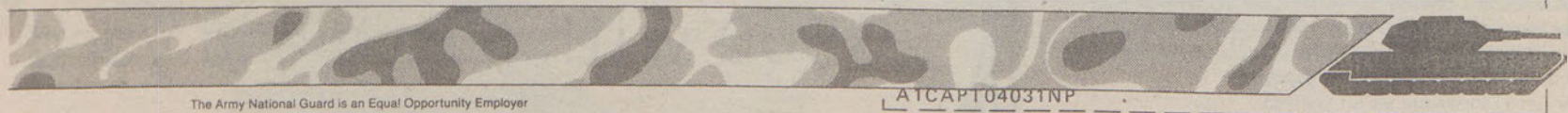
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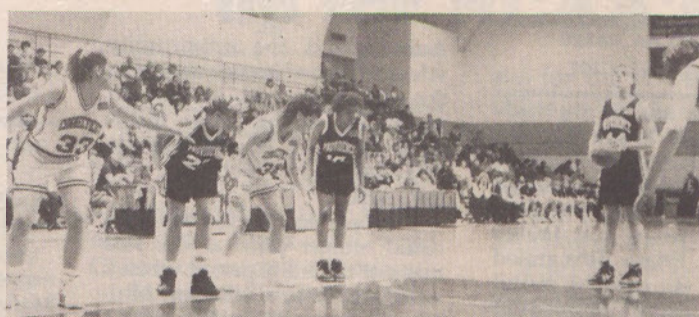
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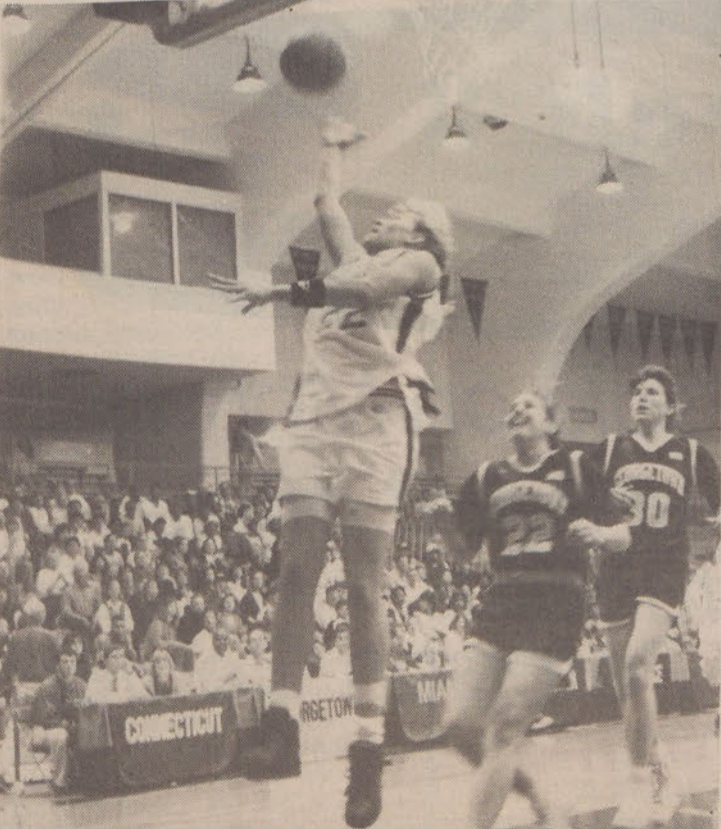


# Sports

## The Lady Friars were nearly picture perfect this season...



Lucie Fontanella joined Jen Mead on the All Big East Rookie Team



Tracy Lis joined Evans on the 1st Team All Big East

### I.A.B. Update

#### Street Hockey

This week the action in street hockey was fast and furious. Two teams, Pembroke and Physical Plant Packers, picked up their first wins of the season. Pembroke defeated the Slugs 6-1 behind Scott Reilly's four goals and four assists. His play caused one female fan to comment, "He's not only a good hockey player, he's also one good looking kid." L.S.O.L. picked up their third win behind the solid offensive performances of Scott Phillips and Dave Zowine. Paul "the Wall" Graf got the shutout in net. The Buckley brothers brought their offensive show to Peterson this week, leading the Providence Slashers to a 4-4 tie with Big Sticks. Adam and Todd Buckley effortlessly worked the puck around the defense, combining for a goal and an assist.

#### Women's Hoop

Last week in women's hoop action, Orange Crush squeezed in their third consecutive win, while the freshman team, Just Do It, with 5'11" sensation Joan Flannagan, gave WMNBB BWAG their first loss of the season. This week, Lights Out and Scoopin' an' Hoopin' will resume action.

In other women's action, the Alabama Slammers beat Tater's Tots in overtime. This turned out to be one of the more sloppy games of the season. Tater's Tots were led by Jenn Greer and Mary Ellen Cronin. But this duo wasn't enough to overcome the tenacious rebounding of Kate "Windex" McGratty who cleaned the glass all

night and the scoring of Michelle Judge. Although the Slammers started off slow, they were able to send the game into overtime and come away with the victory.

#### Volleyball

Four-on-Four Coed Volleyball, now in its third official week, has been quite successful. Leading the league is the powerful junior team Peanut's Posse. They landed their third win by beating the sophomore team, Duane's World Wonders. Another strong team, Hot Sets, led by "Jumping" Joe Platania, beat We Slam It Home on Sunday for their second win. The sophomore team Clueless, with the combined powers of John Hughes' acrobatic dives and Brian "the Lip" Capell's slamming serves aided in their first victory. More games are scheduled for Sunday. Check Slavin and the IAB office for times and courts.

#### Ice Hockey

On Monday, the Mother Puckers faced off against Puddin' on Ice, an up-and-coming sophomore team. After a close start, the Mother Puckers pulled away to a 7-1 victory. Kevin Romira and C.B. Tuite led the offensive attack and Mark Graf was again solid between the pipes.

Lungies II took on the Dogs of War on Monday as well. The Lungies pulled away in the end with a 5-2 victory. Bill Petrarca and crew led his team to another win and will be hunting for the title. Dangling Sticks cruised to a 7-0 shutout of the Hansons be-

hind the offensive output of John Gambino and Dave DiLorenzo, both lighting up the red light numerous times. Gary Green edged out Mancini Skates 7-5 for yet another victory. G.G. is undefeated as of now and will fight to stay that way. Despite a midseason tie, Team X will again try to reach the finals and avenge last year's championship loss. They disposed of the vegetable-like Lazy Lima Beans, 9-0. MVP Lizzy McGarry will storm into the playoffs with heated passion. Playoffs will start next week.

#### Field Hockey

The "Ultimate Team" improved their record to 6-0 last week in field hockey competition. Other teams leading in wins are "Ali Babba & the Ten Thieves" and "We Should Have Won Football."

Next week marks the end of field hockey action and the beginning of tournament play. Good luck girls!

#### Supersports

On April 13, 1991, the annual PC Supersports will take place again. The new and improved prizes are definitely an inspiration for participating. Co-Chairpersons Chris Woods and Tim Archer are the only ones who know what the prizes are. It is an exciting day and we hope that as many teams can play as possible. The teams consist of four guys and four girls with no more than two varsity athletes per team. The events are running relay, basketball shootout, swimming relay, the high and long jump, the obstacle course, and cut-throat volleyball. Remember that even if you don't finish in the top five and you win an event, your team will receive an event-championship shirt. Don't be lazy! Come ask IAB about Supersports and find out how much fun it is. There is a free cookout after with a DJ. It is on Saturday, April 13, starting at 11:00 a.m. Remember, as many super athletes say today, JUST DO IT!



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## Sports

## PC hammers UNH

Mario Aube, defense fuel Friar machine

by Brian DeCesare  
Asst. Sports Editor

The PC Friar skaters are heading north to the Boston Garden this Friday to face the BU Terriers in their Hockey East semi-final game. In front of 2,905 spectators at Schneider Arena last Friday evening, the Friars dismantled UNH, 4-1, in the opening round of the tournament. PC jumped out to a 3-0 lead after two periods and never looked back.

The victory avenged last year's playoff loss to the Wildcats when the Friars blew home-ice advantage and lost the series two games to one. The win also virtually guaranteed the Friars an NCAA playoff berth as they improved their overall record to (21-9-2).

In a frantic opening period on Friday night, both teams played like it was a sudden-death overtime as each desperately tried to score the game's first goal. After several scoring attempts by either side, PC's Jeff Robison lined the puck over everyone's head from center ice for a goal with 8:52 gone, giving the Friars a 1-0 lead. Incidentally, PC was outshot 9-8 in the period.

In a much more physical second period, which included two skirmishes and seven penalty assessments, the Friars scored their second goal of the game with less than five minutes remaining, increasing their lead to 2-0. PC had capitalized on a Wildcat penalty when sophomore Bob Cowan scored off the rebound on a shot from Rob Gaudreau during the power play.

In the closing minutes of the second, both teams had ample opportunities to score, so Mario

Aube seized the opportunity when he blasted home a shot from the right circle with one second remaining, giving PC an insurmountable 3-0 lead. Freshman Brian McCarthy got credited with the assist.

The only scoring the Wildcats could muster came at the 9:00 mark of the third period when a wrist shot beat a screened Mullahy during a power play, cutting the lead to 3-1. The Friars' McCarthy had been penalized for elbowing.

Down the stretch both goalies made spectacular saves, especially UNH's Jeff Levy during a Friar power play in the final few minutes of the game. He made 13 saves in the third period alone, and collected 37 on the night.

For good measure, PC scored with one second left in the game when junior Mark Doshan scored an empty-netter, making it a 4-1 final. The Friars' tenacious defense and hard-checking proved to be the difference as they outshot the Wildcats 41-24 in the contest.

"The defense was great, really unbelievable," said Mullahy. "They picked the people up outside and let me handle the shots and cleared out."

Coach Mike McShane added, "It was the best defense we've played all season long. Our guys deserve a lot of credit for the way they came back from that tough game against Northeastern."

The Friars' Hockey East semi-final game versus BU will face-off at 5 o'clock on Friday, while Maine takes on Northeastern at 8 o'clock. The championship game will be played on Sunday afternoon.

## Successful Season for Friar Cagers

by Chip Scutari  
Asst. Sports Editor

With all the talk and excitement surrounding March Madness, college basketball resembles more of a high-glamor media market than an intercollegiate sport. As the Friars journey to Madison Square Garden, their successful season cannot be lost in the shuffle. Successful season you might say, what the heck are you talking about? Well, the Friars are on the verge of a third, consecutive NCAA bid and have proved to their critics that they are a team to be reckoned with in the future. However, securing an NCAA bid should not be the barometer for determining success in college basketball, especially for this youthful team. Three freshman, three JUCO transfers and only one returning starter equal inexperience for any team at the college level. Rick Barnes and his coaching staff had the unenviable task of molding a variety of diverse individuals and talents into a cohesive unit. In addition to these setbacks, top forty recruits Michael Smith and Robert Phelps, were declared academically ineligible for the 1990-91 campaign.

After watching the Friars against the likes of Marathon Oil and the Melbourne Tigers, I was afraid PC was in for a long year playing the role of cellar dweller in the Big East. Coupled with the dismal predictions of the pre-season publications, the Friar Five

appeared headed for an unproductive year. Fortunately, these predictions never came to fruition because of several factors. First and foremost, Eric Murdock well, was Eric Murdock. After a number of personal setbacks in a disappointing junior year, the Jersey native had an All-American season with many memorable performances. Some of these include 45 points against seventh ranked Arizona or a career high 48 points versus Pittsburgh. Affectionately dubbed the Man of Steel, #14 now holds the NCAA record for career steals. Murdock causes chaos for his opponents on both ends of the court. His clutch efforts and leadership qualities turned the Friars into a formidable Big East adversary.

Of course, one man a team does not make. PC's freshman and transfers have provided key contributions all season. Whether shooting the trey, playing solid defense or rebounding, PC's new kids on the block have been a vital asset to the basketball program. Dickie Simpkins, Kenny McDonald, Corey Floyd and Fred Campbell have all made an impact in their special way. Against Villanova on Saturday, the Friars looked like a cohesive unit ready for the NCAA's. Their inexperience was replaced with confidence as they emerged victorious.

The last piece to the equation is the commendable job put in by Coach Barnes and his assistants. Faced with the annual expectations of the Friar faithful, Barnes molded a team of strangers

into a winner. Five victories over Top 25 teams and an incredible 14-2 mark at home is nothing to sneeze at. The man with a southern twang now has the most Big East wins for a PC coach and has a bright coaching career ahead of him. Only thirty-six years young, Barnes has brought a program from disarray (under Gordie Chiesa in 1988) to two NCAA tournaments. Most people would complain about a 16-11 record but Georgetown has two future lottery picks and look where they are. In a conference with a variety of excellent coaches, Rick Barnes is holding his own and earning praise from his peers.

The Big East tournament is here and PC is a 20-1 longshot to win while Villanova is at 8-1 odds. Hmm, something is fishy here. I know, I know you can't wait to hear my predictions so I'll end your suspense. PC probably won't win their first Big East tournament, but they will defeat St. John's and qualify for another Big Dance. Two, one... Billy Owens nails a fadeaway jumper at the buzzer to beat the Panthers of Pittsburgh in the Big East finals and stake their claim to the #1 seed in the East. My All-Big East tournament team— G-Eric Murdock

G-  
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C-  
Dikembe Mutombo, G'Town  
F-  
Billy Owens, Syracuse  
F-  
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## PC rips 'Nova in season finale

Seniors Eric Murdock and Chris Watts say good-bye

by Daniel Walsh  
Editor-in-Chief

Everybody felt their hug. The two figures at centercourt wrapped around each other, their arms and the entire civic center filled with 13,106 felt their warmth. Eric Murdock and his grandmother will always remind us of how special it is to play in the final home game. Chris Watts and his Mother displayed how very important the parent is to the student athlete. The crowd embraced the class of 1991 and their families in an emotional standing ovation. The energy generated by that moment established a momentum that would catapult the Friars (16-11) to an 86-75 victory over Villanova University (14-13).

This was a special night for Providence College basketball. The five game losing streak to Villanova was eradicated. PC moved out of the Big East basement into seventh place to avoid the dreaded 8-9 game vs. Boston College. The NCAA is now a reality again, even if we are the ultimate "bubble" team. Although these are excellent achievements, this night was marked by an even more impressive event. This game celebrated the final highlights of one of PC's greatest performers on the basketball court—Eric Murdock. A piece of PC basketball history was forever sealed with Eric's 30 points, 10 assists, and 4 steals during his last home game appearance. His outstanding effort typified the electricity that he has generated for the fans since he began his pursuit of the record books three years ago. This was a special ending to the 1991 regular season, and most likely a nice beginning for Eric.

The win was a positive psychological boost for the team. Coach Barnes asked his team to play aggressive and confident basketball. They responded. Murdock took the ball to the hoop with strong consistency, Corey Floyd drew blocks and forced 'Nova to quicken the pace, Watts shot the three with confidence, Marquis and Marvin slugged it out for every rebound, and the entire team fought for every loose ball. Barnes emphasized that "the difference in this game was the new aggressive attitude of the players. This was the first time we went to the Free Throw line early. The individual performances of Eric, Corey, and Fred Campbell were very important. Everyone had a nice attitude coming in."

This tough, upbeat style of play ripped apart Villanova in the first five minutes of the game. Thanks to the hotheads of Murdock and Watts, the Friars surged for 14 straight points and possessed a 20-7 advantage at the 15:12 mark. They would never relinquish this lead. Murdock bounced from his grandmothers arms right into the inside paint and thoroughly confused the Nova defense. He utilized

every opportunity to drive hard into the lane to score, dish off for an assist, or draw the foul. He had no problem driving the lane and splitting the guards to find his wide open teammates. He netted 19 first half points and gave out 6 assists. Watts, who drove home his first two threes, applauded Murdock. "Give Eric all the credit because he kicked off well and found me when I was open." Watt's early Three gave PC a 9-7 edge and the lead for the rest of the night. PC controlled the first half tempo and concluded with a 47-37 outpouring.

The Friars opened the second half sluggishly, but re-

**It was a chance to pay them back a little bit. I will miss this place, PC will always be in my memories.**

covered quickly to maintain the lead. The answers for PC always seemed to come from the aggressive hustle of Marvin Saddler and Corey Floyd. Saddler's 10 second half points (16 total), a flurry of jumpers and dunks continued to wear down Nova. Floyd scored all of his 9 points in the second half and utilized his strength and speed to thwart Nova on both ends of the floor. Whenever a loose ball popped up Floyd seemed to be flying through the air to grab it. His defensive effort resulted in 3 blocks and the third resulted in the sixth personal foul for Villanova's offensive spark Lance Miller. Floyd stated that the team was motivated to win. "We did not want to be in the basement for the Big East. I wanted to go out and work hard because the last game (against Nova) we let up and it got

away. We didn't want that to happen tonight. I wanted to get every loose ball and work hard so we could make the NCAA," Floyd said.

Murdock believes that Floyd's aggressive play opened up his game. "Corey had a good effect on me, no one expects anyone else to step up and he made my job a lot easier," emphasized Murdock. He added that "this was the best team effort all season." "We played very loose, the best we've played all year. We were intense in practice and nothing negative was said. We came out and worked hard."

Despite the pressure of this game, Barnes was not worried about the "Rollie Curse" (0-5 vs 'Nova) nor the Big East. "I was more interested in playing good ball tonight. I told the team to win for Chris and Eric. Everybody came in with such poise, especially offensive poise. The group stepped up and did what they had to do. I'm thrilled for Eric and Chris" remarked Barnes. Marquis Bragg (9 points) stated that "this win means a lot to us, its like beating Syracuse because its the first time we beat Nova in my three years. I'm glad it happened for Eric before he left."

The Friars will take their aggressive tempo to Madison Square Garden to play St. John's, the number two seed, this Friday in the Big East Tournament. This victory was important, but the most memorable part of the game will be Eric's hug. Along the same lines, Chris Watts will never forget this game because his grandmother finally got to see him play basketball. Eric won't forget the special feeling of playing in front of his grandmother and high school coaches. "It was a chance to pay them back a little bit. I will miss this place, PC will always be in my memories" Eric said. And the hug—"yeah it was special..... it felt good."

## Track team gears up for NCAA's

By Beth Albertini

In their final meet before the N.C.A.A. Championships, the Friars brought home a first and two seconds from the E.C.A.C. and IC4A Track and Field Championships last weekend.

At the E.C.A.C.'s in New Haven, Conn., Dionne Wilson finished first in the 500m in 1:13.86, the fastest time ever on that track. Natalie Davy finished fifth in the mile in 4:52. Her 4:47 in Friday night's heats qualified her for the N.C.A.A.'s. Mary Mullane, Bridget Bowers and Jean Hughes took seventh, ninth and eleventh places in the 5000m. Bowers tied her own personal record in the event, finishing in 17:13.9.

The men traveled to Prince-

ton for the IC4A Championships. Andy Keith continued his great freshman season with a second place finish in the 1000m, in 2:25.22. Another second was turned in by Niall Murphy in the 3000m.

The Friars leave for Indianapolis and the N.C.A.A.'s on Wednesday and should come home with a couple of All-Americans. Geraldine Hendricken and Sinead Delahunty will run in the 3000m. Hendricken ran the fastest collegiate time in the country in the 3000m at the Terrier Classic on January 26. Anita Phillipot, Geraldine Nolan and Natalie Davy will run the mile for the Lady Friars. Andy Keith will run the mile for the men.

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# Sports

## Lady Friars shock G'town

Lucie Fontanella steals the show

by Jerry Jellig  
Sports Editor

all photos by Kevin Mullaney

Normally being the second seed in a nine team tournament is a big advantage. In Saturday's Providence v. Georgetown game, however, the Hoyas had the advantage — the home court advantage. Georgetown, though 12-15 during the season, was the host of this year's women's Big East tournament and played the Friars at McDonough Gym, where the Hoyas practice and play.

The Lady Hoyas played their best game of the season, shooting 63% in the second half. They held a nine point lead with four minutes to play, and appeared to be on their way to a big upset. Providence's Tracy Lis, Stephanie Cole, and Shanya Evans shocked the Lady Hoyas, 95-91.

"As long as we're in the game at the end, we will have a great chance of winning the game," explained PC Coach Bob Foley.

With the score tied at 91, Georgetown brought the ball up and was looking for the best shot when Lucie Fontanella made a huge steal and passed to Shanya Evans for a lay up and a 93-91 lead. Shanya hit two freethrows to seal the win and move the Lady Friars into the semi-finals.

Tracy Lis had a team high 24 points and 9 rebounds. She scored eighteen of those points in the first half, which led PC to a 44-42

halftime lead. The story of the first half, however, was Georgetown's Leni Wilson. She pulled down 17 first half rebounds, 22 in the game, setting two new records. "Thirty-one percent shooting (PC) and her seventeen rebounds and we're ahead at the half," stated a bewildered PC Coach Foley. The lead flip-flopped for most of the game. Georgetown

stood strong every time PC appeared to be surging. Stephanie Cole picked up the offensive slack for the ice cold Helen Mency (3 out of 15 for 8 points). Stephanie had 21 points on 9 of 16 shooting.

Shanya Evans also had a solid game with 13 points, 13 assists, and 6 steals. She sang the praises of freshman Lucie Fontanella in her post-game interview: "Lucie is a workaholic. No one can tell she's a freshman on the court," praised Evans. Lucie finished with 8 points, 5 rebounds, and 3 steals in eight minutes of play.

"The fact that we're 24-4 is a real tribute to our team. Most of our opponents have strong inside games and Stephanie Cole is our low-post goto player at 5'8," explained Coach Foley.

## The Big East Tourney



Tracy Lis netted 24 vs. the Hoyas



Jen Mead had 10 pts, 9 rebs and 6 assists vs Pitt

## Cole, Lady Friars ruin Pitt, 107-92

Stephanie Cole had 17 points, 7 rebounds and 4 assists vs. Panthers

by Jerry Jellig  
Sports Editor

The starters for Providence looked great in the box scores of this record breaking contest. However, the bench was the story for the Lady Friars, as they took the lead from Georgetown, and never gave it up in a 107-92 triumph over Pittsburgh.

The score was tied at 17 with 14 minutes left in the half when PC Coach Bob Foley brought in Sonja Lewis, Cheryl Daudelin, Stephanie Goettsche, Lucie Fontanella and Maura McDonnell off the bench. With all five PC starters on the sidelines, the Lady Friar reserves took the game from the Panthers in resounding

fashion. At the 11:30 mark, the bench sat down with the score PC 26, Pitt 19.

PC held a 48-28 half time lead with reserves making key half, as well as game, contributions. Lucie had 7 first half points, Maura 6 and Anne Marie Kennedy 4. Senior Stephanie Cole led the Lady Friars in the half with 12 points and 5 rebounds.

"Our experience is the key, and we proved that against Georgetown. Every night it seems someone else steps up and carries us for a while," praised PC Coach Bob Foley.

Two experienced players who stepped up were Helen Mency and Tracy Lis. Both managed just 5 first half points. Helen then hit five 3-pointers to finish with 19 points. When

asked if she was looking forward to a rematch with UCONN, Helen said with a firm grin, "Definitely."

Tracy scored 16 2nd half points, finishing with 21, to lead Providence for the second game in the tournament. With respect to the possibility of UCONN coming prepared for PC's explosive offense Tracy said, "You can prepare all night for us, but if you don't come to play you'll lose."

PC broke their own tournament record of 96 points in a game with 107. The teams scored a combined point total of 199, which is also a new record.

"If I tried to slow the offense down there would be a mutiny and I would be thrown out of the gym," joked Coach Foley.

## UCONN hides from PC, wins 79-74

Tracy Lis and Shanya Evans earn All Tournament Team Honors

by Jerry Jellig  
Sports Editor

Had UCONN and Providence squared off in the Big East Tournament finals playing tough, intense basketball, the winner could have walked away proudly and honorably. UCONN, however, didn't do the Big East or themselves justice. They won 79-74, but the game they played only vaguely resembled basketball.

The Huskies positioned point guard Debbie Baer at mid-court, where she stood alone until there were 10 seconds left on the shot clock. She then passed the ball inside to one of the UCONN wide bodies for a six footer. To say that UCONN exploited the Lady Friar's weakness is ludicrous. What they did was play 40 minutes of sleep evoking basketball, exploit a lack of 3 second violations and offensive fouls, and cast a dark shadow over the slow emergence of collegiate women's sports.

"Having them play the way

they did showed their insecurity," explained Tracy Lis.

The score at half time was a pathetic 31-26, with Kerry Bascom netting 14 points from her camp ground underneath the basket. Meghan Pattyson set up camp next to Bascom, and scored 10 first half points.

The Lady Friars took an early 13-6 lead, led by Stephanie Cole and Tracy Lis. PC then turned ice cold from the floor, missing their next seven shots and turning the ball over 3 times. Shanya Evans had the Lady Friars within one with under :40 to play in the half. UCONN then hit two short jumpers, one with :01 left, to give the Huskies a 5 point lead at half time.

"They shoot 41% and we shoot 50%. If we shoot the same amount of shots, we'll win," claimed UCONN Coach Geno Auriemma. He added, "The idea was to frustrate Providence."

He also frustrated the 1000+ fans, TV audience and proponents of women's sports.

UCONN held a 9 point lead

with 1:34 left. PC then cut the lead to 3 with :41 remaining, highlighted by Shanya Evans 22 footer. The Huskies however, continued to score with PC, and 4 free throws by Kerry Bascom sealed the win.

The All Tournament Team was as much a sham as the game itself. Shanya Evans and Tracy Lis made the All Tournament Team for PC. Somehow, the complete games of Stephanie Cole were overlooked. The biggest outrage was Meghan Pattyson being named Most Outstanding Player for the tournament. Tracy had 22 more points than Meghan in the combined games, and proved a more versatile player.

"I can't say enough about my players. I'm so proud of them because they never gave up," praised PC Coach Bob Foley.

The Lady Friars will undoubtedly receive an NCAA bid. Hopefully they'll be paired against a team that plays to win, rather than not to lose.



Shanya Evans had 21 points vs. UCONN