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Vice President of Academic Administration Responds to Civ Debate

by Dr. Francis P. MacKay
Vice President of Academic
Administration

The following is the first submission from the administration regarding the issue of diversity in the curriculum. It is written by Dr. Francis P. MacKay, Vice President for Academic Administration, and is intended for Academia page; however, due to the need of students to hear a response from the administration, The Owl editorial staff has decided to place it on the front page.

The question of diversity in college curricula is under active and intense consideration across the nation. However, the way in which the question is being presented in the media had no resemblance to how it is being dealt with in many campuses. There the issue is not whether the curriculum should be dominated by Western thought or whether it should be balkanized by subdivision into tiny units devoted to every campus group with enough political influence to be heard. Rather, these institutions have accepted that the collective heritage of their student bodies has changed as their racial and ethnic composition has changed and economic influences have altered and will continue to alter the world in which students will live and

work.

The response made by these colleges and universities to these changes was to reexamine and modify their curricula to better prepare students to understand their relationship to a world no longer dominated by the West. In some cases the reexamination led to major restructuring of the curriculum while others felt that their current curricula had values and strengths that transcend societal and institutional changes. The approach of these latter institutions has been to seek meaningful modifications of the curriculum while preserving institutional strengths.

Given the above and the wide variety in American Higher Education, it is not surprising that colleges and universities have developed widely divergent approaches to the introduction of diversity. The simplest approach has been to add a diversity requirement in which all students must take a course dealing with non-Western culture. Its attractiveness is its simplicity. It is easily implemented; students can choose from a variety of options; every student is required to experience at least some non-Western content. A disadvantage is that it may be seen by students as one more requirement to "get out of the way." A further disadvantage

is that this approach can be perceived as indicating that diversity can be dealt with in a three credit elective while the main body of the curriculum remains undisturbed. Certainly courses with non-Western focus are an important element of a curriculum and we should offer more of them. The question is whether requiring

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all students to take one of these courses is an adequate way to deal with the need for curricular diversity.

Another approach has been to develop a core curriculum based on themes that are developed in an interdisciplinary and inter cultural context. The World Studies Program at CUNY-Queens College is an example. They have a four course sequence team taught

by a faculty member from the humanities and one from the social sciences. The theme for the first course is "Interpret the World" which studies aspects of different cultures interact. The second theme is "Ancient Worlds." It examines how different cultures developed through a study of their myths, texts, and art. The third theme, "Encounters Between Civilizations, 1500-1900" explores the political, economic, technological, social and artistic developments that shaped the modern world while the fourth course, "Contemporary Worlds" does the same thing for the twentieth century.

Tufts University also builds its curriculum around multidisciplinary and cross-cultural theme based courses, but the approach is much less traditional than that of Queens. The themes are "A Sense of Place," "Time and Calendars," and "Memory and Identity in World Cultures." The first examines the effect of geographical location on how cultures developed; the second looks at differing conceptions of time and natural cycles to see how these are manifested in a transmitted from generation to generation.

The strength of the theme based approach is that content can be treated in greater depth and more complexity by focus

in a limited number of developments and interactions. This combined with the cross-cultural approach allows greater opportunity for meaningful comparisons between and among cultures. Disadvantages are that chronological development is frequently sacrificed as is a large body of information shared by all students.

A third curricular approach takes Western Civilization as its focus, but emphasizes interactions if the West with other cultures. Queens College in North Carolina has a four course civilization sequence of this type. The first two courses cover ancient civilizations through the scientific revolution. The first compares ideas from ancient cultures to those of contemporary Western Civilization while the second seeks to make connections of its Western content to non-Western events and ideas. The third semester makes the same kind of connections while focusing on American history and culture, and the fourth is specifically devoted to non-Western and non-Northern topics.

A more traditional approach is followed by the University of North Carolina-Ashville which has had a strong core curriculum for the last quarter century they emphasize the im-

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Survey Shows Alcohol Abuse Among Students Cuts into Studies

by Tracy Allocco
Assistant News Editor

Alcohol use and abuse is a problem that plagues almost every college campus and obviously, PC is not immune. One only has to glance in the newspapers for their unending lists of new PC student "arrests" or take a look at the off-campus bars from Wednesday to Saturday night to realize that alcohol is a big factor of college life. While many people view this as "normal" college-age activity, other learned observers, like Dr. Jack Colby of the Psychology Department, think differently. "Alcohol use at PC is an increasing problem that affects not only the health of the students, but also their academic performance in the classrooms," states Dr. Colby. He continues, "one merely has to look at the attendance figures at 8:30 a.m. classes on Fridays (after Thursday night drinking)...as well as the very serious injuries occurring from

alcohol related fights and accidents to realize that there is most definitely a problem here."

In order to get more information about this problem, Dr. Colby conducted an "Alcohol Use Survey" compiled in January of 1990. Dr. Colby designed

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this survey not only out of a concern for PC students but for professional reasons as well. Dr. Colby has a background in psychopharmacology and is presently the coordinator of the Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force. Dr. Colby's wife is currently a researcher at Brown University in the area of addiction studies. Needless to say, Dr. Colby is well qualified to conduct and interpret such a survey.

Dr. Colby distributed the anonymous survey to a sample of about 355 students drawn from large lecture courses. He says that while the sample was pretty representative of the typical PC student, it was slightly overrepresentative of freshmen and women. The survey found that while only about 8% of respondents drank on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday nights, by Thursday night that number rose to 57%. The percentage of students who drink is at its highest on Friday nights, when 87% of respondents admitted to

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PC Delegation Triumphs in Washington

by Jennifer MacCallum
Congress Correspondent

Although there are many aspects of college life that prepare you for the real world, opportunities to utilize the knowledge gained in a classroom setting are often available in a limited quantity to undergraduate students.

This past week, fourteen Providence College students participated in the Model Organization of American States (MOAS) for universities, held in Washington, D.C.

The Organization of American States is the oldest, regional, multi-national organization in the world. Established in 1890 as the "International Union of American Republics," the OAS Charter was adopted in 1948. Presently all thirty-five sovereign states of the Western Hemisphere are OAS members, although the Cuban government has been excluded from participation since 1962. The OAS deals with issues that are most prevalent to inter-American relations in the Western Hemisphere.

This year is the tenth year that a delegation from PC has

attended the MOAS. PC had the distinct honor of representing the United States of America. Once again, this was a successful endeavor due to the dedication of our faculty moderator and the students involved in the program.

Under the direction of Dr. Robert H. Trudeau, chairperson of the Political Science Department and the Latin American Studies Program, the PC students involved in this program began preparing for the model during the 1991 spring semester. Preparation included learning the history of the OAS and researching the position of the US, as well as the positions of the other nations in the hemisphere.

Selected from an initial applicant pool of forty students, sixteen students were asked to serve as delegates and alternates to MOAS.

Initially only ten students were going to attend the actual model, but in early October Providence College was asked to send "as many students as possible" to serve on the Trinidad and Tobago delegation, due to the sudden withdrawal of the school origi-

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portance of their Western Civilization program by spreading it over the entire four years. The first three courses in their sequence are devoted primarily to Western Civilization and cover the standard content from the ancient world through to the post World War II era. The fourth course is a thematic capstone course designed to pull together and interpret events and ideas from the first three courses. One of the themes pursued is the struggle for a just society. The civil rights struggle in the United States is considered along with cases from countries with non-Western traditions.

These approaches do develop a body of knowledge common to all students and give them a grasp of the chronology of historical developments. However, this is accomplished at the expense of the depth and the complexity with which issues can be treated in the straight thematic approach.

These brief descriptions do not adequately portray the structure and manner of presentation of these options. It is not intended to. Rather, it is intended to show some of the range of approaches and combinations of approaches that have been and are being developed. But there are conclusions that can be drawn from a consideration of what others have done. Certainly, the first of these is that there is no "best" approach to introducing diversity into a curriculum, and there is no indication that any of these institutions have introduced content to satisfy each distinct group on their

campuses. Another is that the content of the curriculum is determined by the needs of the student body as a whole at that particular college or university. The approach adopted by any institution has to take into account the culture of that institution. It is highly unlikely that an approach can succeed that is not consonant with institutional culture. That is one of the reasons why there are combinations of approaches. Schools are seeking to develop the best fit for their campus.

Any modification of a curriculum must begin with a review of the institution's mission, its values, its resources, its faculty, and its students. What do we want students to know? What do we want them to be able to do? What so we want them to experience? How do we want them to see the world and their place in it? How do we want the values and ideals of the College to be reflected in their lives and in their relations and attitudes toward others? These are the kinds of questions that must be answered as a prelude to curricular revision.

The basic values and ideals of a College may not change, but the context in which they must be applied does change. Every college has a responsibility to periodically review its curriculum to assure that it is continuing to meet its objectives and the needs of its students. Its has been ten years since the last revision of the Providence College curriculum. Significant changes have occurred in higher education and drastic changes have occurred in the world during those ten years. It is time for us to assess whether our current curriculum is continuing to meet our institutional goals.

Professor Responds to Soviet Crisis

On Thursday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m., Dr. Allen Lynch will be addressing Providence College on "The Political Disintegration of the Soviet Union: How Should America Respond?" Dr. Lynch is the Asst. Director of the W. Averill Harriman Institute for Advanced Study of the Soviet Union at Columbia University.

Dr. Lynch has edited and published numerous books and scholarly articles on Soviet foreign policy and international securities, including Political and Military Implica-

tions of the "Nuclear Winter" Theory, Gorbachev's International Outlook, and Soviet Study of International Relations, for which he won the Marshall D. Schulman Prize for the most outstanding book on Soviet foreign policy in 1987.

This talk is the third in the Political Science Department lecture series and is co-sponsored by the Political Science Club and Pi Sigma Alpha. Additional lectures are scheduled for next semester. All interested students are encouraged to attend.

Disciplinary Measures

Disciplinary Measures submitted by the office of the vice president for Student Services

Cases as of:

November 12, 1991:

The case involved three students and the following charges have been adjudicated by the College Judiciary Officer. The students were found guilty of underage drinking, hosting a keg party, and causing a neighborhood disturbance. Consequently, the following penalties have been assessed for each student: A fine of \$200, alcohol counseling, 20 hours of community

service, and disciplinary probation until May 1, 1992.

The case involved four students and the following charges have been adjudicated by the College Judiciary Officer. The students were found guilty of underage drinking; hosting a keg party; creating a neighborhood disturbance; hazing, in the sense that it might have caused the physical health of students to deteriorate, not the hazing that would be construed to be an initiation into an organization; and failure to notify PC of off campus address. Consequently, the following penalties were assessed for each student: a fine of \$300, alcohol

counseling, 20 hours of community service, and disciplinary probation until May 31, 1992.

November 14, 1991:

The case involved two students and the following charges were adjudicated by the College Judiciary Officer. The students were found guilty of underage drinking, hosting a keg party, and causing a neighborhood disturbance. Consequently, the following charges were assessed for each student: A fine of \$150, alcohol counseling, 20 hours of community service, and disciplinary probation until May 31, 1992.

Veridames-Women for PC

by Tricia Connolly
News Editor

Students, have your mothers ever wondered how they could become more involved in the PC community? Veridames is the answer. Founded in 1942, Veridames is an organization of women whose main function is scholarship fund raising; last May, the group presented a gift of \$11,000 toward the PC Scholarship Fund to Father Cunningham.

Mrs. Barbara Oceau, president of Veridames, reports that membership numbers 1700 women. "Unfortunately, many of our supporters are unable to attend our functions because they live a distance from the college," regrets Mrs. Oceau, "But this in no way diminishes their contribution

and service to our organization." Memberships are solicited and renewed each fall; the group caters to any women interested in the college, most of whom are wives of alumni, mothers of students, and graduates themselves, but the group in no way excludes those interested outside of the college community.

The biggest fundraiser that the group sponsors is their annual Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show, scheduled for April 29th of this year. The show has displayed such fine fashions sponsored by Talbot's, Lady M, La Bottega, and William Harris Furs. Funds are raised by drawings included in the invitation, as well as a table of prizes, which are raffled off at the function.

Other Veridames occasions include a summer luncheon

held at Ocean Cliff in Newport, RI, a shopping bus trip to Kittery, Maine, and wine and cheese theatre parties at the Blackfriars Theatre, to name a few.

"These special occasions are a fun time for our ladies to catch up on friendships," says Mrs. Oceau enthusiastically.

The Veridames would like to cordially invite anyone interested to participate in their annual holiday programs. A bus trip to New York City for Christmas shopping is scheduled for Wednesday, December 4th, and a candlelight Christmas mass in honor of deceased alumni, followed by a silver tea reception and a raffle will be scheduled for Sunday, December 8th in Aquinas Chapel. For further information, call Mrs. Barbara Oceau at (401) 934-0653.

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Sexual Understanding: It's Up to Us

by Jeanne Handy, '92
Contributing Writer

Sexual assault is an ultimate violation of self. It is a traumatic intrusion into the life of a human being. Sexual assault is an act of violence and aggression, not one of sexual gratification. While some forms are not obviously violent, they nevertheless involve force, coercion or manipulation of the victim by the offender. Under these circumstances the victim is forced to give up some control over her/his life. Oftentimes we perceive our homes and campuses as safe havens. In actuality sexual assault can and does happen anywhere. Victims can be anyone and regardless of the circumstances of the assault(s), they are never to blame.

Imagine what it would be like to live without the fear of sexual assault. Believe it or not, there are societies where rape is virtually non-existent. Research has shown that sexual violence is not innate; rather the incidence of rape depends on such cultural factors as the status of women, the relations between the sexes, and the attitudes taught to children. Characteristics of these rape-free societies is a complete equality between men and women. Women as well as men are respected and influential members of the community. This equality extends into their religious life also, where women take as important a ritual role as men. Another aspect of these societies is

an ultimate respect for humanity and nature. No one attempts to dominate another; nor does anyone or any group attempt to dominate nature. Harmony is valued while anger and discord are frowned upon. Most of these societies are tribal, societies that some of us might call uncivilized. But if we are so "civilized", then why do we continue to maim, kill, and sexually violate one another and nature; and why is the acquisition of power over others such a predominate goal for us?

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What does this all mean for us? It means that there is yet another way we can combat sexual assault. We must stop participating in conversations that are degrading to women or anyone else. Stop supporting television/ movies/ music that does the same or connects sex with violence. Do not partake in or tolerate violence. Do not raise your sons to be aggressive while you raise your daughters to be submissive.

And what else can we do right now? We must be clear about our intentions. It is okay to ask, "May I touch you like this?" And it is okay to say, "I am not going to have sex with you." It is okay

it is good to be assertive. And we all must remember, men and women, "yes" means yes and "no" means no (regardless of what point in the encounter "no" is said). And for everyone's safety, if you are not sure about signals, please take "maybe" as NO! We all have enough control over ourselves to do this. "I couldn't control myself" is an invalid excuse for anyone.

Statistically, one out of every three women will be sexually assaulted at least once in her lifetime. Only three in one thousand of their offenders will ever serve prison terms. One in four girls and one in six boys will be a victim of child sexual abuse or incest by the time they are eighteen years old. Women in high school and college, between the ages of fifteen and twenty-four, experience and assault, over 90% are assaulted by someone they know.

Over the past four weeks these informational articles have presented students with some very disturbing yet enlightening facts. For knowledge is power and if we continue increasing our knowledge we are in turn increasing our power - power to change, power to make a difference, power to make better. For more information, a sample bibliography is available in the Cowl office, or contact the Rhode Island Rape Crisis Center at 421-4100. They can provide you with a full bibliography and answer any questions you may have regarding sexual assault or any of the services they offer.

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drinking.

The survey also focused on the students' perceptions of the problems that weeknight and weekend drinking causes. It found that about one-half of those who drink reported being more sexually active after drinking and about one-quarter of those who drank had academic performance problems (82% of them were Thursday night drinkers.) Dr. Colby feels that this weeknight drinking, especially on Thursday nights, has a definite connection to students' academic problems.

In reviewing this data and the many other survey responses, Dr. Colby has come to the conclusion that something must be done. "In the last five years, the alcohol problem has gotten worse. Students have come to believe more and more that alcohol use is acceptable and normal. Granted, most of the students who get drunk turn out to be OK in later life, but they are squandering the opportunities that college offers. They also put themselves at risk - the major cause of death of people under 25 is accidents. Better than 50% of these accidents are alcohol-related."

Along with the survey, Dr. Colby proposed a number of recommendations to the admini-

stration. The first was that a permanent task force should be formed to assess the effectiveness of the existing programs sponsored by the college and to recommend additional programs to address the "alcohol related risk patterns of the students." Even though this task force was implemented by the college last year, Dr. Colby feels that an "alcohol czar" still needs to be hired. This person would coordinate all alcohol-related activities at the college without getting caught up in the proverbial "politics" that surround administrative activities.

A second recommendation, one that Dr. Colby thinks is greatly warranted, is the training of the administration and faculty to deal with these problems. "A modern institution needs an activist administration...even though the administration and faculty are well-intentioned, education is what will help. The College needs to pay for the training of the staff to deal further with alcohol-related problems...the problem cannot be solved with a piecemeal solution." He went on to say that this training would aid the staff in forming a "conceptual framework" which would be the standard of norms to which the students would be expected to adhere.

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Internationalism: The Wave of the Future

by Anne M. Lee
Editorials Editor

Would you feel uncomfortable about finding yourself in the middle of Nepal? Does it make you queasy to contemplate a visit to the Central African Republic? If you answer yes to either of these questions, you are in a minority. The world is becoming increasingly multi-centered and those who refuse to become globally aware will be left behind. This was the message of Dr. Walter Beeman, who spoke to the Providence College community on Tuesday, Nov. 19, at 7:30 p.m. in '64 Hall. Beeman, a linguistic anthropologist at Brown University, and a specialist on the Middle East, addressed the crowd as part of the Political Science lecture series.

The title of his talk was "Out of America: The Need To Internationalize the College Curriculum." He approached the topic by explaining the changing dynamics of the modern world which preceded the national trend towards a greater recognition of other cultures in universities. Calling on examples from Iranian classics and Hindu literature, Beeman noted the fascinating cultures that lie beyond the borders of the United States and Western Europe.

Beeman then turned to a discussion of American ethno-

centrism, which is the idea that our culture is central and others are peripheral. This condition is manifested in three ways. In the economic sphere, Americans often forget that even in a market economy, marketing proceeds along cultural lines. Bartering in the Middle East and the Japanese group-ethnic result in significant differences in selling a product. Politically, Americans often

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use our government as a model and believe, therefore, that other countries either should have similar governments, or already do so. For example, we may erroneously suppose that the world consists of nation-states. We must also learn to view the world systematically in the face of the collapse of a bipolar world.

Thirdly, Beeman used the idea of cultural ethnocentrism. We must have cultural sensi-

tivity or we will be deprived access to the world. Traditionally, he noted, international relations has consisted of talking in military and economic terms. However, this overlooks cultural forces. He used the Gulf War as an example. Americans did not take into account the cultural forces that would be released in Iraq when the war broke out, forces which have effectively retained Hussein's power-base.

How do we counter these ethnocentric attitudes? Dr. Beeman offered several suggestions for college students. Take a foreign language, he said, for starters. The trend is towards increasing enrollment in language training - not just Western languages, but in more obscure languages as well. He also encouraged studying abroad in the country of one's choice, traveling, reading the classics from both Western and non-Western authors, and taking anthropology courses.

Dr. Beeman ended with a cautionary note. Those who are unwilling to change, he said, will become anachronisms. However, he noted that academic institutions have the resources to internationalize their curricula and will eventually do so.

The next Political Science lecture will feature Dr. Allen Lynch speaking about Soviet politics on Thursday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m. in Moore Hall I.

JVC Experiences Prove Invaluable

by Brian Cappello
Assistant Features Editor

Father Quigley held an informal meeting recently for those interested in the JVC. The meeting featured two former JVC volunteers: Kevin Carroll, a 1987 PC graduate, and Greg Barker, a 1987 Holy Cross graduate. The goal of both was simply to "share with the students their impressions of their experiences with the program."

Kevin Carroll spoke first and was quick to point out that five years ago, he was in virtually the same position as the present seniors are right now. He was not sure what he wanted to do upon graduation although, being from an upper-middle class family, he felt a desire to give something back to those not fortunate enough to live as well as he. Thus, while he did have a few job offers and strongly considered the military, he elected to enter the JVC program. An education major, Kevin applied for a teaching job in an effort to help those who are unable to see the importance of education. Kevin was fortunate enough to be granted his first choice of job/location and worked in San Francisco as a tutor, administrative assistant to the principal, and gym teacher/coach to students. Kevin lived with seven people and although he was the only male of the house, he made it quite clear that "it wasn't nearly as glamorous a situation as one might think."

Greg Barker followed Kevin and stated that he joined the JVC for basically the same reasons as Kevin. Attending an upper to middle class Irish Catholic school (sound familiar?), Greg too felt the need to work with those less fortunate than he. Greg worked in Sacramento as a manager of a soup kitchen that serviced roughly 400 (mainly homeless) people

that included "more and more children and mothers everyday." While he described such an atmosphere as "hard to deal with at first, he felt that he eventually got used to it."

Both Kevin and Greg described their time spent with the JVC program as one of, if not, the best years of their lives. Greg pointed out that while many of his friends went on from graduation to law school, medical school, and the like, he has no regrets as there is "nothing more rewarding than going to where people need you." He also pointed out that graduate school is still a possibility after the program ends, and the experience certainly looks good on a resume. Father Quigley reminded any potential law candidates that there are many law opportunities available within the program that would certainly prove beneficial.

Finally, Greg recalled his old roommate referring to JVC volunteers as being wrecked for life as, "once they get done, they never look at the world the same again." He feels this experience instilled within him a mindset that leads him to question (the morality of) virtually everything. To this discussion, Kevin added that while his experience wasn't always easy, it was well worth the effort. Both recall sharing a lot of great times, great laughs, and added that their level of partying did not decrease all that dramatically (which is surprising since Greg went to such a huge party school). Incidentally, they found that driving cross country really added to their experience and recommended that anyone traveling west do the same.

Greg is presently working as a counselor to youths to young to go to jail. Kevin worked with the FBI for three years and is now attending flight school.

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The Cowl - Censored

by Colleen Carson
Editor-in-chief

Alice in Wonderland, Catcher in the Rye, Huckleberry Finn, Of Mice and Men - is The Cowl ready to be ranked with these great literary works which have been censored for content? Perhaps not this semester, but the serious debate of how little or how much The Cowl is censored is a valid point that needs to be addressed, explained and debated. Yes, The Cowl is censored by the administration - with very good reasons supporting it and passionate feelings against it.

When it comes to subjects involving crime, especially felonies (for example rape), these stories must be read over by an attorney before being printed because The Cowl's dealings with felonies could possibly jeopardize the legal proceedings of a case and the rights of individuals. The administration's first concern when any type of assault is reported is the physical, emotional, and psychological well-being of the victim. Then the administration is obligated to respond with the proper legal advice to all parties involved. The right of the administration to disclose information to a student publication should first take into consideration the well-being of the victim and then the individ-

ual circumstances involving the situation which affect how a case would proceed.

On the other hand, students should be fully informed of crimes which directly affect them. Any violent or dehumanizing acts which occur in our friendly community must be verbalized in other ways than safety tips from the administration. These are a cover-up of the real story and conceal the facts which are discarded by students anyway. Those opposed claim that printing the facts will "hit home," "shock students into reality," dispel all distorted rumors, and force students to either take action or protection. Many feel that knowing the statistics is not enough to know the crimes exist, but experiencing them through another PC student's story without the rumors is the only way to understand the situation. Unfortunately, empathy cannot exist without a



victim.

Just this semester, I can name a few instances and examples where The Cowl has been screened by the administration. Last week I was personally told by the administration that an article about any office of the school should be cleared by that office before it is printed to check quotes, tone, intensity, etc. This includes everything from the President's Office to Residence Life to the Treasurer's Office. For example, an article about

student behavior off campus should be checked by Student Services. Does this mean writers must make sure the office approves of the way the article is written after an interview has taken place and facts have been checked?

Last month I received a memo (also from the administration) informing The Cowl to be more sensitive to graphics and wording in advertisements that promoted drinking. (No more beer mugs and drink specials an-

nouncements). The reference was to an ad from Stix which was created by a professional advertising company. Another ad that crossed my desk was an offer selling contraceptives through the mail; this was not even questioned but sent back to its original owner (yes, it was a legitimate business).

In these two examples The Cowl is dealing with beer and sex, two aspects that are clearly prevalent on and off this campus. Are we supposed to close our eyes to these subjects which in turn open the door to the greater issues of alcoholism and AIDS awareness? I am not saying The Cowl should glorify alcohol and sex, but rather it should reflect the realities of the PC campus - they exist. Censorship is a denial of this reality. Censorship prevents us from attacking issues which affect college students head on.

The question I leave readers with is whether this is a student paper or an alumni/administration/parent paper. Who are we publishing for? I believe there are two sides to this censorship issue and The Cowl is doing everything in its power to publish a student newspaper for the student body.

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Is The Best Reaction No Reaction?

by Margaret Sonner
Assist. Editorial Editor

My original intent in this week's commentary was to point out the lack of reaction on the faculty's behalf with respect to the "Civ Debate." I was persuaded to hold off on my opinion until I experienced the faculty-student debate sponsored by SOAR (Students Organized Against Racism). And what an experience it was! Until now I felt abandoned by the faculty. The Cowl has functioned as the hot-bed of the passionate opinions of students at Providence College. For once I found our students calling their education into question. The passivity we have been accused of was left by the wayside and students began participating in academic controversy (as opposed to whatever other type of controversy). However, the students seemed to be alone in their fight. For some time, I thought it might have all been for naught. I saw students passing out petitions, organizing meetings, writing letters to the editor, writing more letters to the editor, etc. I saw nothing from the faculty.

I think the passive attitude PC students have been accused of may possibly be a by-product of the faculty's lack of action. This may be a prime example. I am only exploring this idea. I have yet to see a member of the faculty condone, protest,



or submit any response with regard to our existing Civ program. In the midst of this student rebellion, I feel it is a shame to observe its one-sidedness. The Cowl has proven to be a significant medium for such an active debate. It is disappointing to realize that no teacher has been compelled to submit his or her convictions or reactions.

I understand that politically, teachers are placing themselves in jeopardy when they support a student upheaval. However, PC seems to advocate a passive attitude where no action is the best reaction. So what are you teachers doing? I hope I am accurate in my conclusion that you are waiting for the most effective time to speak out. That was the impression the debate sponsored by SOAR gave me. Those that spoke seemed to have been waiting patiently for

the correct moment to act. If this is inaccurate, and teachers had to be compelled by SOAR and FORCE (Friars Organized to Reinforce a Cultural Education) to participate in the debate, the lack of response by PC's teachers is disappointing, particularly in such a significant debate, not only for Providence College, but also at academic institutions across our country.

Wednesday's debate encouraged me. It reinforced my confidence in my fellow students and it compelled me to rethink my views of the teachers here at PC. So I do question the one-sided enthusiasm at Providence College. Teachers have criticized students supposed passive attitude, now is their chance to support our fight, whether they agree with the attitude or not. Let us know how you would approach the issue.

— Commentary —

The Gender Rift: The Woman's Point Of View

This is the second in a series of articles about relationships at PC. Last week, we heard from the male's point of view from Jeff Caporizzo, Graphics Editor. This week, Anne M. Lee, Editorial Editor, talks to women students at PC.

The most frequent response I heard when I asked the question, "What do you think about relationships at PC?" was, "What relationships?" This negativity served to reinforce our premise. To restate it, we contend that the majority of interaction between men and women at PC occurs in sexually charged situations, i.e. a party or a bar, rather than in a more impersonal setting, such as a classroom. This dichotomy sets up objectification of the sexes and decreases the possibility that healthy platonic relationships will develop. Women categorized their relations with the opposite sex as poor, if not nonexistent, and proceeded to lament the dearth of both valuable friendships and romantic involvements at Providence College.

Women Categorized Their Relations With The Opposite Sex As Poor, If Not Nonexistent...

These scenarios are known to all students, but I will summarize them for the benefit of our argument. The classroom is one scene - a neutral setting. Not much socialization seems to take place here. Freshmen are especially hesitant to meet guys in class ("the fear factor"). One man mentioned that women get looked at in class primarily as a future possibility for a "scoop," which brings us to the next scene.

The party or bar atmosphere is characterized as "sexually-charged" and rightly so. Someone put it best when they said, "On weekends, hormones fly on Eaton Street." After being cordoned off in single-sex dorms all week, men and women are free to roam the off campus neighborhoods, carousing. Alcohol serves as the impetus for those standard one-nighters to occur, every weekend, every week, and every year, with a varying degree of partners. It could be that this happened once, your first week here and never again, or you could be one of those men, or women, who "scoop" with the frequency of Wilt Chamberlain. But it appears that very few among the student body have escaped this ritual.

Painting the picture of the "average PC man," women came up with the following qualities: He's not looking for a serious relationship, he's on an ego-trip, and his libido is sky-high. Not a very pretty picture at all. Surprisingly, women did not describe men with any physical terms. "Personality," it was said, "definitely comes before looks." Several women did admit the existence of genuine, sincere guys, usually to be found among the juniors and seniors, when they shed the machismo. With such a poor image, the following response was hardly shocking.

"What do you look for in a PCman?" I inquired. "I don't!" was the answer. Women told me they tend to look outside the school for a significant other. However, one senior told me that she is just looking for any PC man, as her frustration over the lack of them has increased over her four years here. But, she noted, "there's not many men here, only boys." Other women search for

someone who can hold an intelligent conversation, someone nice, considerate and someone who's interested in something besides getting drunk. The consensus seems to be that guys are only out "for a good time."

And what do women want? "Women want respect and an equal commitment to a relationship," I heard. Perhaps women, because they mature faster, are more ready to handle a serious relationship, which is something men don't really want. However, this is not the only opinion. As one woman explained, "Guys want to be part of a group. As they get older, they start to settle down and become more friendly with women." Another woman added, "Guys are underestimated by women. They want companionship but are afraid to admit it. They are looking for a relationship but get scared when women are more forward about wanting a relationship."

It seems to be the trend for romantic involvement to start in the junior and senior years, whether this be from maturity or less drinking, etc. There are obviously some long-term, successful relationships between men and women on campus. In fact, I was told that relationships either can't be found, or are very serious and time-consuming. On a positive note, one woman mentioned that her relationship with her boyfriend was one of the best things that happened to her at PC and that it hasn't inhibited her social life at all.

So what's going on with the other 99% of women? Judging from men's and women's characterization of each other, our title of "The Gender Rift" is apt. Who or what is to blame for the lack of relationships, friendly or otherwise, between men and women?

Some would argue that PC is not different from any other college, that people our age,

when set free in a world where they are overwhelmed by hormones and the availability of beer, act the same in every school. Others feel that a curious mix of factors sets Providence College apart. We have singled out two such factors.

Again and again, both Jeff and I heard mention of the on-campus residential settings, namely the existence of single-sex dorms. It was almost unanimous among those interviewed that single-sex dorms contribute to the lack of relationships between men and women here. Every night men and women retreat to their separate abodes, and begin to view the opposite sex as "the other." Women and men both form groups of friends, especially noticeable during freshmen year, when these packs stick together like glue. Visitation between dorms is permissible, but this is awkward, again especially for freshmen. I can remember the giggling preceded by a visit from a guy, who would walk shamefaced down the corridor with women watching him from their rooms. "Who's he visiting?" "Who are his friends?" etc., etc., followed each visit. How different it would be if men and women lived together.

Several juniors noted the difference between the apartments, which are coed, and the dorms. "It's so much easier to get along with guys in the apartments," I was told. "You can just go and hang out with them as friends, no big deal."

One woman made what I

felt to be an interesting point. She felt there was a connection to alcohol abuse and single-sex dorms. Namely, she said that many students do not drink for the sake of drinking, but as a means to hook up with a member of the opposite sex. Therefore, living in the same dorm with them would alleviate the tension and the need to become inebriated in every social situation.

Many women pointed out the positive aspects of single-sex living such as privacy and safety. However, regarding relationships with men, all felt hindered by this separation of living quarters.

The second factor we can target is the background of the student population. A significant percentage of students come from Catholic high schools, where they have already felt the sexual taboos imposed on them by Catholic doctrine. The alienation of men and women is even more pronounced in students from single-sex high schools. It is harder for these students to be thrown into the independence of college. They can't be expected to deal with members of the opposite sex in the same way as publicly educated students.

These are only two suggestions for why the rift between men and women seems so deep and unbridged. Perhaps discovering what men and women think and feel about each other is a step in the right direction.

Editor's Note: In the next few articles, we will focus on other issues in relationships at PC, including heterosexual activity and homosexuality.

Racists Are Made, Not Born

by Suzanne Gaudrault
Staff Writer

When I was young, I once came home from school claiming that I hated the Russians. My mother tactfully informed me that it is okay to dislike the Soviet government but it is wrong to hate the people of that country. Throughout my childhood my parents went on to inform me never to dislike a person because of the way they face looks or because of the color of their skin.

Years later I babysat for three small girls. They would not play with the black children down the street because their mother would not let them. When I asked them why, the oldest informed me that they are different. When I asked why they are different, the girls had no answer.

Most of the values which children learn are taught at home in the early stages of development. I was lucky to have been nurtured by two liberal-minded parents who would not allow racist thought to enter the front door. Unfortunately, not everyone has the benefit of being brought up this way and many young people grow up bigoted. The parents of the three young girls are not going to change their opinion on their black neighbors and it is more than likely that the children will uphold this position.

A major aspect of education is to curtail prejudice thought. The main tool in fighting racism is through teaching, and if this is not going to occur at home, the schools must take on the respon-

sibility. Although the influence will not be as strong, at least the young will have different views to ponder over.

Right now the American school system is in major need for reform and many students are graduating without a basic knowledge of geography, math, and science. However, a more pressing matter is occurring after school hours. It seems as if a day does not go by without someone being killed on the inner-city streets. Albeit much of the violence is gang and drug-related, a great deal of it is provoked by racism.

Not too far off in the future, the United States will be run by both the children who are experiencing the anger in the cities and those who are not allowed to play with the blacks down the streets. Unless changes occur, bigoted thought will escalate and the problems will increase rather than decrease. For many, the only hope will come through their school education. Therefore, maybe a little less emphasis should be placed on the problems in math and science and more thought should focus on the teaching of peaceful coexistence and anti-racist thought. After all, there are plenty of calculators for these children to use later on in life (I got an "A" in 'Math for Idiots' with the help of one), but there is no easy solution to the problems of racism.

It's Time To Clean House

by David E. Nevers
Staff Writer

Remember the spring cleaning of childhood? Once every spring, usually for a few days during Easter Break, my house would become a prison, where Warden Mom kept her young jailbirds locked up to carry out a year's worth of chores. I can see now, even if I refused to then, the necessity of such an evil. I am reminded of this necessity by the growing problem that is the federal government. Much as a house needs a thorough cleaning every now and then, so too, does government.

Ever since that Oscar Madison of Presidents, Franklin Roosevelt, started making a mess with his New Deal, the stench and clutter of government haven't stopped growing. In 1980, Ronald Reagan campaigned with a broom in hand, but as President, he failed to do much sweeping. Today, the US government is worthy of the Karl Marx Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval.

Our government machine, in spending 1.5 trillion dollars and consuming 25% of GNP every year, oozes waste. Though a complete listing would require a special edition of *The Cowl*, a small sample speaks volumes. Two items of garbage come to mind, that if discarded,

would immediately make this country better off: The Department of Agriculture and Education.

The former does nothing more than dole out the taxpayers' money in the form of subsidies, to farmers who feel they're above the laws of supply and demand. The latter, which President Reagan once vowed to abolish, has been gobbled up billions since it was christened by Jimmy Carter, and for what? The American education establishment has been turning out ignoramuses by the thousands. Since when does government know best? Half of the President's cabinet could be scrapped, and nobody but career bureaucrats and parasitic entitlement recipients would notice.

We need to revoke the sacred cow statues which surrounds most welfare programs, like Social Security. Those who are in favor of this abomination essentially believe that the working American is incapable of saving for their own retirement, that Big Brother must do it for them.

This program is a loser. Much of that which the current genera-

tion is paying in FICA can be kissed goodbye. We should demand that government cut our losses, find an equitable way to phase out Social Security, and begin to let Americans spend, save, invest as they please.

Other welfare programs reek of similar waste and abuse. While I believe we have a moral obligation to help those who are truly in need (i.e. the physically and mentally disabled, the genuinely destitute), the existing system is criminal. It robs from the honest and hard-working to subsidize the lazy and irresponsible. Too many have been riding the gravy train for too long. Whose money is it anyway?

Jefferson once said "that government is best which governs least." This simple but time-honored wisdom is today scorned by liberals and unprincipled Republicans as anachronistic and impractical. But these same Americans are willing to fatten Uncle Sam until he explodes. For them, government exists not to serve the people, as Jefferson and Madison envisioned, but to be served, as Roosevelt and Lyndon Johnson decided. We must never forget the evil, however necessary, that government is, has always been, and always will be.

Roving Photographer

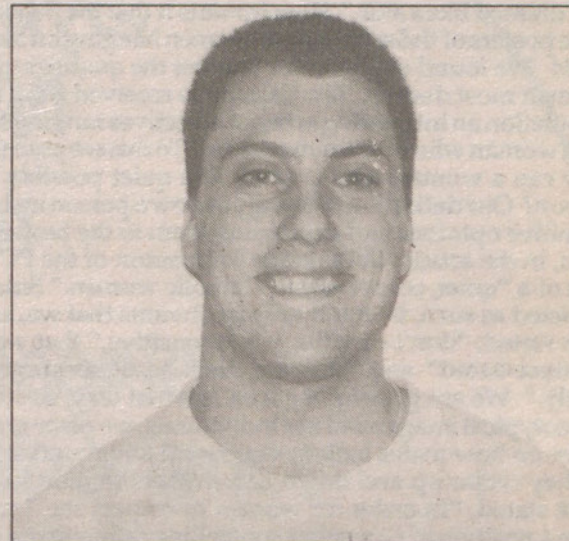
Has the news about Magic Johnson affected your awareness or behavior relating to AIDS, why/ why not?



Nate Jones '93: It's changed my awareness. If it can happen to him, it can happen to anyone.



Dickey Simpkins '94: Speaking in general, before, AIDS was there, but people didn't really focus on it. Now it has happened to a person that is important to the world, people are beginning to pay attention. Personally, it shocked me a lot. It reminded me of Len Bias's death in '86.



Mark Ruggeri '93, Student Congress President: It has changed my awareness and I hope it will create awareness in the country so they know it's not just a homosexual disease. It's not affecting my behavior because I am not going out with any girls.



Laura Desantis '92: It hasn't changed my behavior, but it has changed my awareness. Because he is a celebrity hopefully he will be a positive influence for society, that people will listen to him because he has clout. Here is a man whose devoted to physical fitness: Aids can strike anyone.



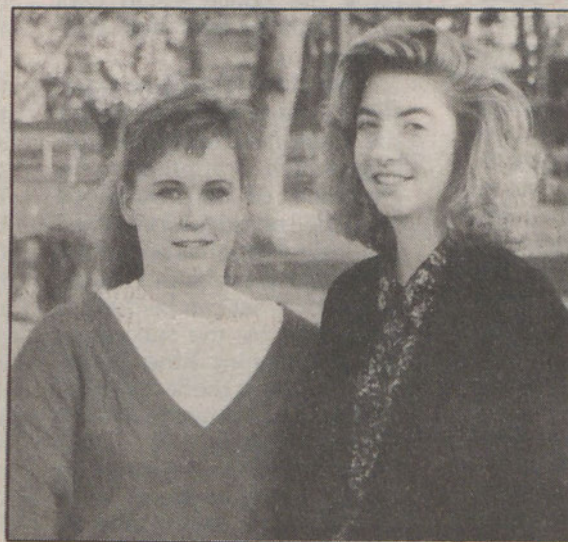
Father Hindsley, prof. of Humanities & Peter Caldwell, prof. of Marketing: No, we knew all about it and we wish him the best. Little surprises us anymore.



Lorie Marchetti '95: Not really. The news about Ryan White had a big influence on me about AIDS. But I think many people are influenced by Magic Johnson.



Dr. Stephen Triangale, visiting physician: You must understand that I know more about AIDS than the average person. It doesn't surprise me at all, that someone who had unprotected heterosexual sex, tested positive for the virus. It surprised me that the general population was surprised, that there was so much ignorance. It reminded me that my patients need to hear about AIDS again and again.



Sarah Youngclaus '94 & Joyce Eddy '94: We were always aware of it, but it hit this school hard. It became obvious to the middle class that AIDS doesn't just hit drug addicts.

Letters To The Editor

Women React To Stereotypical Assumptions

Dear Editor,

We are writing this letter in response to the enlightening article entitled "The Gender Rift at PC." In this article, a number of Providence College males were able to freely respond to and evoke their impressions and opinions of the female population at PC. In this article, the male population at PC stated that they do not like a woman with "a lot of make-up on, hair teased up, and dressed like a slut." How ironic is it that the majority of males have posters of these very same women hanging on their bedroom walls. We found of particular interest the qualities of a woman a PC man most desires. Mr. Caporizzo received from the PC male population an interesting array of adjectives ranging from "quiet" to "a woman who is her own person." To this we pose the question, how can a woman who is meek and quiet possibly be her own person? Our definition of being your own person includes having definitive opinions and expressing them to the best of our ability. Also, in the article, the average impression of the PC female was that of a "quiet, conservative, Catholic woman." Since we are all depicted as such, it would only be obvious that we, as the gentlemen stated, "don't care if a guy is sensitive," that we are merely "surface-based" and "that we don't want someone to treat us nicely." We are grateful the men feel that way, as we are merely stereotypical images and not individuals, we place greater significance on how males look in a pair of "Levi's" and a "polo" shirt, as they cruise up and down Eaton Street in their jeeps. As a PC male stated, "In order for women to respect me, I must operate from a position of power in a controlling rather than a cooperating attitude." Obviously, as we are all "quiet, conservative, CATHOLIC, young woman," we prefer to be dominated by an overbearing and brutish male.

In all seriousness, we decided to write this satirical response in order to demonstrate the ridiculousness of such a stereotypical female evaluation. Believe it or not, each female on this campus is an individual. Each one of us, even though we are of similar socioeconomic backgrounds, are rather different. The females at Providence College, as well as the males, can not be presented as the same unit, with no distinction. Obviously, as was made evident through the male's response, there is a great need for more genuine, honest interaction between males and females. Therefore, we are in agreement with Ms. Lee and Mr. Caporizzo that there should be co-educational dormitories on campus. Such a system would allow male-female relationships to prosper beyond the confines of drunken interactions at social events and aids in the breakdown of sexual barriers. In this way, then, cohabitation would strengthen and deepen male-female relationships created at Providence College.

In conclusion, although we are rather adamant against placing all PC females under one stereotypical image, never let it be said that a female does not take into consideration the significance of how a male looks in a pair of "Levi's" and, if he is driving a Jeep, that doesn't hurt either (just kidding!)

Mary Pilkerton '92
Claudine Sirgant '92

Administration Must Help Bring Back PC Pride

by Brendan Curran
Contributing Writer

"Those damn PC students..." This is a familiar line to hear these days. As the students attend class during the week, most students and neighbors anticipate debauchery and drunkenness for the upcoming weekends. It is sad to think that all people of our neighborhood turn on their television sets to witness the Providence College students confront the Providence Police Department in underage drinking busts or other alcohol-related drinking incidents. Speculation on what to do to answer the questions resulting from these episodes have been decent, at best.

Now, as I write this editorial, I remember witnessing rows of PC youths at their neighbors' shrubs on Eaton Street relieving themselves. Also, I recall a night during my freshman year on Oakland Avenue. I watched some male students walking in front of me on Eaton Street being picked up, not by girls, but by Providence's finest. They were given a ride to River Avenue free of charge and returned to the scene with a few billy club-induced

bruises, courtesy of their friends, the Providence Police Department. Word of the bizarre circumstances waved through the crowds of students present at the Fennell Hall gates; the result was a commotion of PC students shouting "We shall overcome," shoving the police squad cars with cups of beer and fireworks.

Unfortunately, these experiences have come to typify the Catholic Dominican college which I applied to in December of 1987. Solutions have been posed to all involved parties, yet little has been done to rectify the problem. One example of what can be done is evidenced by the success of the 1991 Junior Ring Weekend. This year, the Semiformal was held at Venus de Milo in Massachusetts. It went smoothly. This is amazing seeing that behavior of some of last year's Semiformal resulted in an 11 p.m. dismissal. The success at Venus de Milo is an example of what can be done by students to improve the school's reputation. On Saturday, media personnel were sent to the Sheraton Towers in order to cover the PC formal at the hotel. A cake fight occurred in the wee hours

of Sunday morning. By late morning, every radio station and television station in the New England area had reported on this free-for-all. Few students of the class of 1993 added a chapter to our growing history. A majority of the students at the JRW were unaware of the occurrence of the cake fight at the slideshow the next day.

Before we blame it all on those juniors, let's think about the variables. Did the administration ever want to put their seal of approval on the Junior Ring Weekend? No administrators were visible at either function. There were no school banners on the stages either night. There could have been greetings on pre-dinner prayers spoken by the administrators. Ah, but the police escorted us to the door of the Semiformal and were on hand throughout the week at Venus de Milo. Saturday night, as expected, the hotel security was spread throughout the Sheraton Towers and the media took their seats to witness PC students on the loose. The administration was not to be found. This is a shame, since JRW is one of the premiere events of a student's years at Providence College.

Everyone in this situation is to blame. The Providence Po-

lice Department needs to stick to law and order to and not take matters in their own hands. The media needs to find more important problems in this city or devote their cameras to Brown, URI and other area schools with similar problems that go unreported. The students need to realize that food fights, fireworks, and spraying police cars with beer are not qualifications for entering or leaving Providence College. The administration needs to support students' actions and activities. If the JRW had administrative presence (i.e., opening speech, pre-dinner prayer, first dance, and some banners of Providence College) then it could have been dealt with accordingly, at the sight of the incident, and address the guilty party (i.e., addressing the slideshow assembly) of the incident. Everyone needs to cooperate to turn this situation around or it will not improve. It takes a team effort of police, media, administration, and students to bring back PC pride.

Hospital Trust Ripping Us Off!

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in the hopes of informing other students of an unfair situation. I recently closed my account at Hospital Trust because of an unreasonable policy which students may not be aware of. The bank requires that you maintain a daily balance of \$250 in your account. If you fail to meet that requirement, you pay a quarterly charge of \$9. This means that if your balance falls below \$250 for even one day during a three month period, you pay \$9 to Hospital Trust. I don't know about everyone else, but as a college student, my account balance is hardly ever near \$250, never mind above it. That means that I pay the bank \$36 every year. Obviously if I can't maintain their minimum balance, I can't afford to hand over \$36 for no reason. If you weren't previously aware of this policy, I would recommend that you think about it and consider finding another bank that won't steal your money. I did!

Janice Mazzola, '92

Catholic Sympathies Not Apparent

Dear Editor:

Recently I received an enlightened view of the religious leaders of the Providence College community. If my interpretation is correct, then it has forced me to question the level of Catholicism practiced at PC.

In memorial to a girl who was killed, I requested prayers be said for the repose of her soul at Mass. I said the name need not be mentioned as long as the intention was made. In response, I was told that was for the best, because if the list of intentions was too long, then the priests did not like to read it.

It disappointed me to learn that the spiritual leaders of our "community" are so preoccupied that they cannot spend a few seconds to mention the names of people who will never be on this earth let alone this list again. It is my impression that a community based on faith and love of neighbor should take time to honor the soul of a deceased member while offering comfort to those left behind.

As a result of this experience, I, unfortunately, must look deeper to find the sincerity supposedly expressed by the leaders of my faith.

Sincerely,
Laura E. Laflamme, '92

Concerned About Magic's Message

Dear Editor:

Having read *Cowl* Sports Editor John Raposo's essay on Earvin (Magic Johnson)'s recent retirement from basketball because he had contracted the HIV virus, I am in a quandary.

Mr. Raposo claims that "Magic's message was always an upbeat one, forever the calmness amid the the impending vortex." I firmly believe that we all should pray for Magic's unfortunate circumstances. However, perhaps Mr. Raposo could explain Mr. Johnson's statement: "But now I know you've got to put your thinking cap on and put (pointing his right index finger between his legs) your cap on down there." That's what he said on the Arsenio Hall Show. Magic, in accepting President Bush's request that he join the National Commission on AIDS, said, "I work to educate the heterosexual community, African-Americans and young people to the AIDS crisis."

Being a scholar and not really well versed in sports, perhaps the Providence College Athletic Dept. (including Jerry Alaimo), coaches and athletes would choose to comment in *The Cowl* on this subject? Most sincerely,
Russell P. Demoe
PC, Class of '73

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Student Congress

Here to Serve You

by Mark Ruggeri
Executive Board President

An increasing amount of student concerns have been brought to the attention of Student Congress lately.

Such issues as cable television in the on-campus apartments and house robberies in student apartments off-campus are a few of the topics which have been discussed lately in Congress meetings.

With any topic there is likely to be a discussion. Some individuals may

cooperation with working with the Finance Committee members. Together, we can all work through the financial situation facing us this year.

Anyone who is interested in working with the Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) program, please attend a training session on Friday, November 22nd at 3:00 p.m. at the Camden Avenue School. Directions to the school are available in the Congress office, Slavin room 109.

Lastly, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving. If you live in the New York/New Jersey/

The Student Congress is willing to talk about any issue.

Meetings are every Monday night at 5:30 p.m. in Slavin room 203.

Please voice your concerns.

question the way and the reason why something is a certain way.

Many people have addressed legitimate concerns. For example, some seniors have felt that they have been "jipped" out of various Commencement events. Instead of getting frustrated and complaining about the situation, do something about it. Come to a Congress meeting and voice your particular concern.

The Student Congress is willing to talk about any issue. If you would rather not talk in front of the entire Congress, talk to a member of Congress and he or she can bring your concern up at a meeting or answer your question on the spot.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all the clubs and organizations officers and members for their

Connecticut area and still do not have transportation home, BOP is running their annual bus trip home. For \$15.00 round-trip you can take the bus to New Haven, CT and for \$30.00 round-trip you can take the bus to New York City. Buses will leave Slavin at 4:30 p.m. on November 26th. This is a great, inexpensive way to get home! For more information, contact BOP, Slavin room 119A.

If you reside off-campus, please be extra careful of any valuables or possessions that could get stolen if your house is broken into during the Thanksgiving break. If you are unable to take your valuables home, try to find a safe storage place.

I hope everyone's Thanksgiving is a very thankful and joyous time.

by Jenn MacCallum
Congress Correspondent

This Class of 1994 will be interviewing for the position of JRW '94 Slideshow Chairperson on Wednesday, December 4th.

The Slideshow Chairperson is a member of the JRW Core Committee. The position is a year long commitment in producing the Class of 1994's JRW Slideshow video. The video is not a traditional slideshow, rather it is an actual video in which live video clips and still photographs are set to music.

During the year, the Chairperson of this committee works very closely with the Photography Chairperson.

The job involves attending weekly JRW Core committee meetings and conducting weekly Slideshow meetings with the Slideshow committee.

During sophomore year, the chairperson must decide how he/she will choose to break down the video into mini-segments that are co-related by subtitles. Next, the chairperson should make a list of events and themes for the Photography committee staff to take. The chairperson must organize and produce at least one live shoot during the year. Finally, the chair should arrange to have tables set up in lower

Slavin one to two times over a set period for pictures to be submitted by members of the Class of '94.

Junior year duties entail arranging a final picture submittal for students in lower Slavin. Also, the organization and production of a second live shoot is encouraged if it is necessary. The organization of pictures into subtitles (400-600 pictures) and arranging music in synch with the pictures is also done during first semester of junior year. Other activities that take place junior year include collecting music, doing studio recording work, doing production studio work, and most importantly, completing the video in time for the '94 Junior Ring Weekend.

Individuals who wish to try out for this job should be organized and able to manage their time well. Resumes will be accepted. You now sign-up for an interview time in the Congress office, Slavin room 109.

Anyone in the Class of '94 can try-out for this position, even if you didn't originally interview for a position on Core. Sophomores, bring your new ideas, enthusiasm and creativity to an interview, Wednesday, December 4th.

Special thanks goes out to Matt Leonard '93 for his assistance with this article.

Class of 1994

Interviews for the JRW Core '94 Slideshow Chair will be held on Wednesday, December 5th Sign-up now in the Congress Office, Slavin 109

***** Resumes are accepted *****

These interviews are open to any member of the Class of '94, even if he/she did not previously try-out for a position on the Core committee!

PC Delegation Attends MOAS

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nally selected to represent that country.

The United States delegation was comprised of head delegate Helene Marsh '92, Lisa Champagne '94, Bill Hendee '93, Scott Lacy '92, Michael Larkin '92, Jennifer MacCallum '93, Patrice Mulker '93, Kara O'Sullivan '93, Kate Wilson '92, and Kelli Withrow '93.

The delegation representing Trinidad and Tobago were Alison Burke '92, Jennifer Gobeille '94, Christine Hanna '94, and Lynn Sosnosky '92.

Pairs of delegates were assigned to represent national interests on one of five committees. The committees ranged from a General Committee, comprised of head delegates, which covered a wide spectrum of issues, to one of four specific agenda committees that focused on such issues as juridical and political matters, economic and social matters, educational, scientific and cultural matters, and administrative and budgetary matters.

The first day of the model, Monday, November 11th, student delegations were addressed by His Excellency Ambassador Joao Clemente Baena Soares, the Secretary General of the OAS, who welcomed us to the OAS model and wished every delegation the best wishes for the upcoming week. Later, each head delegate addressed the assembly on his/her nation's position on a variety of issues that were to be debated in the upcoming week.

With the exception of the briefing at the mission, the week's activities were conducted in the actual OAS building. Having all the sessions conducted in the OAS building itself, a higher level of professionalism permeated all of the delegations who attended the model.

One of the highlights of the week was the briefing by the official national missions to the OAS. Our delegation

had the privilege to have a two and one-half hour briefing at the State Department. The briefing was organized and conducted by Ms. Pat Perrin, a member of the US delegation to the OAS. The briefing included a twenty minute discussion with Luigi Einaudi, the US Ambassador to the OAS, who briefed us on a variety of issues. We met the individuals whose jobs we were portraying and they briefed us on specific topics relevant to each committee. The Providence College delegation felt privileged to have had the opportunity to visit the State Department and to be so thoroughly briefed. Ms. Perrin told us "Very few visitors are allowed to enter this building. Usually the only college-aged visitors are the Foreign Service classes."

The delegation of Trinidad and Tobago had the honor to visit that nation's embassy and spoke with their ambassador.

Our daily agenda included informal caucusing and formal debates over drafted resolutions presented to our individual committees. In these committee sessions, the delegation advocated and defended the stance of the United States through public speaking and politicking.

On Friday all MOAS participants were extended a special invitation to hear Carlos Menem, the President of Argentina address the official OAS. This was a unique opportunity for the participants in this program. It was an opportunity to see the diplomats act in accordance with true OAS protocol. Also, students were able to see the OAS building prepared as it would be for a formal OAS session.

Students were able to listen to Menem's speech in simultaneous translation from Spanish to English.

Menem's speech was very inspiring to hear. He spoke on many topics that

were discussed in MOAS committee sessions. Menem applauded the inter-American system and particularly the OAS as being instrumental in raising "the new conscious of the American Unit... a strengthening of the people of the Americas." Menem advocated the peaceful resolutions to the problems that our hemisphere faces, especially the current coup occurring within Haiti. He closed by saying "One drop of blood of our American brothers affects us all."

On a more personal note, the PC delegation partook in the traditionally walk to the Vietnam Memorial and a closing dinner cooked by our moderator, Dr. Trudeau.

All participants involved responded enthusiastically to this unique program. The educational aspects of implementing policy, public speaking and debating gave the participants an invaluable experience that cannot be gained in a classroom.

Dr. Trudeau felt that it was a "tough role to represent the United States because of our nation's central position in the OAS model." Both the United States and the Trinidad and Tobago representatives performed admirably throughout the week.

In reference to the Trinidad and Tobago delegations Dr. Trudeau felt that the "four representatives to Trinidad and Tobago performed wonderfully. They did a lot of last minute preparation. This group is a testimony to PC."

The MOAS is a unique program to be involved in. It allows an individual to see governments interact in a multinational atmosphere. There is an indescribable thrill to working in the actual OAS building, a building which is deeply intertwined with the history of our hemisphere.

Students who may be interested in attending the Thirteenth model, please

contact Dr. Trudeau, c/o the Political Science Department, Howely Hall.

The PC delegation to the Model Organization of American States would like to thank Dr. Trudeau for all his dedication to us while we were preparing for the model. It was a very special experience for all of us.

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Student Congress

AIDS Awareness

PC students become involved in the fight against AIDS

by Michele Consiglio
OCRO President

Three Facts:

- (1) 5,000 people each day worldwide become HIV positive.
- (2) Already, 281,000 people in the US have AIDS.
- (3) Shockingly, 1.1 million people in the US are HIV positive and DO NOT realize it.

These three facts are a few of the startling revelations made last Wednesday during an AIDS information session.

Father Tortorici, O.P., Dr. Guitano Ferrante, Dr. Karen Ferrante, and Dr. Jay Doweikl were four speakers who addressed about 40 students in Aquinas Lounge. Members of the AIDS committee include Alan Stillman, Ann Bellotti and Father Stanley Azaro, O.P. This first lecture is the product of a group of concerned students, headed by Richard Dye '92, who, along with an AIDS committee, have been steadfastly promoting AIDS awareness at PC. The comfortable atmosphere was not very reassuring compared to the facts presented.

A video presentation personifying the "It can't happen to me" syndrome began the evening. A female college freshman (portrayed in the video) was shattered to discover her HIV positive status after having unprotected sex with her "dream" boyfriend, a closet bisexual. Although seemingly unrealistic, we, the audience, were shocked to see the story had been true.

Dr. Karen Ferrante and Dr. Jay Doweikl followed the video with a factual lecture. They reiterated on three basic areas: statistical facts on AIDS, the AIDS Spectrum and Prevention of AIDS.

The AIDS Spectrum consists of four stages. This deciphers into the fact that a person has various levels of sickness until becoming afflicted with full blown AIDS.

Lasting anywhere from 3-9 months, is the first stage where a person has acute venia. This means that they may not be HIV positive, but the virus is in their system. This usually

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ends with a stage of acute conversion, or a state similar to acute mononucleosis.

The next stage, asymptomatic infectious, is the longest stage and can last up to 10-12 years, but not usually. The victim feels fine, but is infectious.

The AIDS related complex or ARC is the next stage. The victim suffers swollen glands, fever, night sweats, and fatigue. This usually lasts 203

years before the victim technically has AIDS.

AIDS has many preventions. The most obvious is that an individual should not use intravenous drugs and should abstain from sexual relations (heterosexual or homosexual).

Dr. Doweikl also cited two other forms of prevention. The first form is to *know* the person you will be having a sexual relation with (this means more than first name/last name, eye color, and favorite bar). Secondly, he advised condom usage with three reminders: latex condoms only, always use spermicide (since it does kill the HIV virus), and don't use old condoms (guys, throw out the unused ones that you have had since your senior prom).

Most importantly, AIDS testing was discussed. AIDS tests are anonymous and provide follow-up counseling, should a person be HIV positive. One important point to remember: the test looks for antibodies that are fighting the AIDS virus. The testee could have the AIDS virus, but might not be fighting it yet.

AIDS is spreading and a cure has still not yet been found. The information session presented made a lot of the audience start thinking about this deadly disease. Hopefully, these facts will make the entire PC campus seriously think about AIDS.

Members of the Student Congress attended this first lecture. As the Student Congress of Providence College, we are conscious of the threat of AIDS towards our student body and desire to keep the student body informed about this deadly disease.

Into the Spirit

by Jennifer MacCallum
Congress Correspondent

With the holiday season rapidly approaching, the Pastoral Council is once again sponsoring their yearly charity drives for the Thanksgiving and Christmas season.

This past week, the Special Events Committee of Pastoral Council sponsored a canned food drive in lower Slavin and in the residence halls. The food and money donated to the drive will be distributed to various agencies in the city of Providence who work with the needy.

Donations of food and money will be accepted until Friday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. Drop off any donations at the table set up in lower Slavin or in the Pastoral Council office, Slavin room 212.

This past Wednesday, November 20th, the Special Events Committee also sponsored "Skip a Meal" in Raymond Cafe. Money raised by students who selected to forgo one meal will be donated to Oxfam America, an agency which works with

those in need.

The annual Giving Tree Christmas gift drive for children in need will begin on Sunday, November 24th. At all the Masses on Sunday, students will be able to receive a name of child in need.

Students who select a name are asked to buy an inexpensive gift for the child and also provide enough holiday wrapping paper to wrap the gift with. Gifts are requested to be bought by Sunday, December 8th and brought to any mass. Please keep your gift unwrapped and drop it off at the Pastoral Council office, Slavin room 212.

Names of children will also be available Monday, December 2nd through Wednesday, December 4th. Donations of holiday wrapping paper will also be accepted.

The annual tree lighting ceremony will be held on Monday, December 9th. Watch for more information after the Thanksgiving break.

During this holiday season, be thankful for your own prosperity and be kind enough to help those in need.



The Special Events Committee of Pastoral Council invites you to be a part of our Christmas Giving Tree

Names of needy children in the Providence area will be available after all the masses on Sunday, November 24th

Inexpensive gifts, along with holiday wrapping paper, should be brought, unwrapped, to any Mass on Sunday, December 8th

Be a part of this Providence College Holiday Tradition



Students for Gender Equality

working in conjunction with students from Brown University, are seeking students who may be interested in participating as instructors in workshops on sexuality (stereotypes, role playing, cultural differences) in area junior high schools.

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Arts & Entertainment

Michael Jackson's Latest "Thriller" Comes Up Short

by Brian Cappello
Asst. Features Editor

Quick quiz: What do something that can be given as a cheesy Christmas gift, something that can be used as a base in which to put a patio umbrella, and Michael Jackson, all have in common? Give up? They're all fruitcakes. Now don't get me wrong, I think Michael Jackson is by far one of the most talented artists in the music industry. Yet I can't overlook the fact that it's people like him that keep psychiatrists in business.

Have you seen his latest video? For those who haven't, the first five minutes is just your average MJ (as his pet chimp Bubbles calls him) video containing some rather impressive special effects. But once the music stops, so do the hearts of millions of conservative traditionalists (many of whom are referred to as Dominicans), as the video suddenly begins to make less sense than the school's fining system. *Saturday Night Live* summarized this portion of the video quite eloquently in saying, "Michael's message seems to be that if you leave your car in a back alley, I'll smash in all the windows and then jump on the roof and

I don't feel hypocritical in saying that I've seen more meat on a skeleton's body than on Michael's

masturbate." And if that wasn't bad enough, he proceeded to rip off his shirt, revealing an upper body scarier than any Halloween costume I've ever seen. While I'm no Arnold Schwarzenegger, I don't feel hypocritical in saying that I've seen more meat on a skeleton's body than on Michael's. Thanks to the miracle of public outrage, Mr. Jackson (as his good friends call him) was forced to cut the segment of the video and apologize to America (specifically groups against freedom of speech/expression such as our own Friars). Yet that still leaves the question, what was he thinking in the first place?

Did the idea suddenly come to him in the middle of the night as he and Bubbles were sleeping? If so, did he thrust from his bed and proclaim, "Wow, what a great idea! The public will love it! I'll smash up a car (while

screaming) and then proceed to play with myself as if I were a common porn star (such as Clarence Thomas' favorite, "Long Dong Silver"). And even if he did think it was a great concept, why didn't anyone take his other (less famous) glove and slap him upside the head? Heaven forbid you get Michael angry. Then you'd have to deal with the likes of Jermaine, Janet, or perhaps even worse, LaToya (she won't hesitate to pull out her "guns"). You would think one of his advisers would have just sat him down and said, "Hey M.C. (what his really funny associates call him), did you ever think that if people wanted to see car smashing and crotch grabbing, they would watch a *Chips* re-run (I hate to admit it but, if given a choice, I'd rather see Ponch in a Speedo than Michael). For those of you who may never see the controversial part of the video, believe me when I say you're really not missing "much."

On a side note, I often wonder, for as much money as the public has contributed to him, what has he given back. You'd think that for the millions he's made off of record sales, he could at least

make an appearance more than once every solar eclipse. I guess he's just too busy with either Brooke, Bubbles, or his new best friend, Macaulay Culkin. (Did you hear the rumor that Michael's trying to get him "home alone?") The only other reason I can think of is that he and Janet are actually the same person. Think about it, you never see them together (sort of like Superman and Clark Kent) and they have almost nothing but good things to say about each other (tell me that's not a little fishy). And not only that but they have the same voice. I recall getting hit by a baseball (a line drive, no less) without a cup on once, and yet my voice was still ten times lower than his. While Michael and Janet's bodies aren't exactly the same, we mustn't forget what make-up artists and trick mirrors can do these days.

While I find Michael Jackson to be a loon, the fact is he's still a great artist. His ability to make young girls cry (at a concert) as if they were watching their parent's execution is truly unique. Whether we'll ever see Michael again after he (and "sister" Janet) retire is hard to say, but at least we know that the "interesting" portion of his video has been frozen in time, just like he plans to be someday.

Rhode Island Philharmonic Holiday Festivals

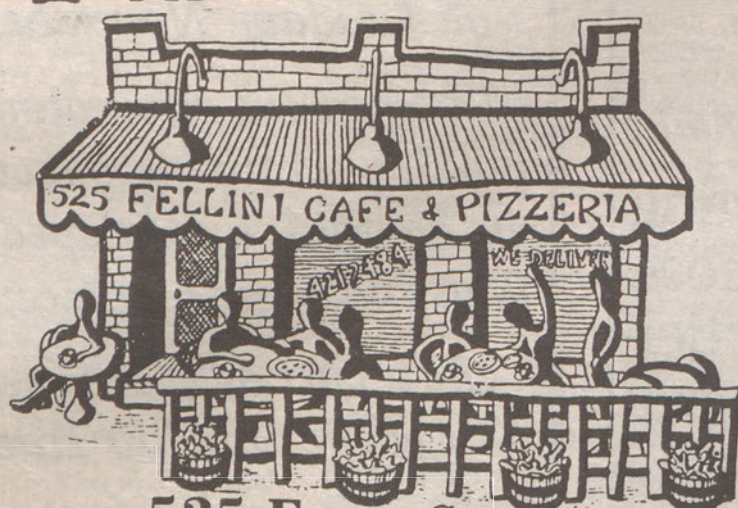
The Rhode Island Philharmonic will present two holiday festival concerts on Saturday, December 14th, at Veterans Memorial Auditorium. The first concert, the *Family Matinee Festival* will begin at 2:00 p.m. and the second performance, the *Holiday Pops!* will begin at 8:00 p.m. Both programs will feature holiday classics such as Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker Suite* paired with such holiday favorites as "Sleigh Ride", by Leroy Anderson, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer", "Frosty the Snowman" and "White Christmas."

The 2:00 p.m. Matinee performance will feature WPRO Radio's Salty Brine who will narrate *'Twas the Night Before Christmas* and *The Nutcracker Suite*. At the 8:00 p.m. Pops performance, Patrice Wood from Newswatch 10 will be the guest narrator.

Adult ticket prices for the *Family Matinee* range from \$10-\$25 with a special \$5 discount for children, senior citizens and the disabled. Adult tickets for the *Holiday Pops!* range from \$15-\$40 with a \$2 discount for students, seniors, and the disabled upon presentation of a valid identification. Group rate discounts are also available.

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Arts & Entertainment

Hold on for Cape Fear

by Alana Tarro
Asst. A&E Editor

I find it humorous that they entitled the movie *Cape Fear*. I am thinking something more along the lines of *Cape Terror*. However, *Cape Fear* is an actual place and would be rather difficult to change the name.

Anyway, the point I am attempting to make is that this movie goes beyond all of the fear you have ever felt. It's nothing like the *Friday The 13th* scared, and just barely in the same ballpark as *Silence Of The Lambs*. To enforce my point even further, I no longer have nails on my fingers, and I almost squeezed my boyfriend's arm off of his body. Convinced?

Cape Fear begins by introducing Robert DeNiro as Max Cady. He has just been released from prison after serving 14 years for rape charges that were reduced to battery. It is clear that this man is an interesting one of sorts because he has Bible passages imprinted all over his body. This is not to mention the truth and justice signs being weighed on a crucifix covering his back.

DeNiro has conveniently been left \$30,000 from a family

...DeNiro is on a mission to destroy his lawyer and his family.

member who passed away; I am thinking Hawaii, the Virgin Islands...he is thinking revenge. He goes back to where his lawyer (played by Nick Nolte) lives in the South and runs in to him - coincidentally. Strange things begin to occur when these encounters take place. It is clear that DeNiro wants to stir up trouble but Nolte was his defense attorney; therefore, why start with him and not the judge who sentenced him?

Jessica Lange plays the part of Nolte's wife. As soon as she is introduced the audience is able to feel the tension between the couple. It is obvious that their marriage is lacking in many ways because of the snide comments and lack of affection on both parts. Their 15-year-old daughter appears nothing short of miserable due to the constant fighting between her parents and because they shut her out of

any personal relationship with them.

Nolte reveals to a colleague his fear of DeNiro and his reasons why. During the trial 14 years ago a report of the rape victim came in identifying her as promiscuous. Because Nolte felt DeNiro excessively abused this girl, he threw out the report. Remarkably, DeNiro found it and learned how to read while in prison.

Now the plot is revealed. Nolte held valuable evidence that probably would have kept DeNiro out of prison. Therefore, DeNiro is on a mission to destroy his lawyer and his family. You might be wondering what the big deal is; the plot sounds good but so did the original *Nightmare On Elm Street*. But as I have stated before *Cape Fear* is far above any of those suspense-thriller-horror movies. The reason for this is Martin Scorsese. He is the genius director who made me and the rest of the theater jump out of our seats when the phone rang in a certain scene. The film moves along in such a way that you're sure the anticipation will kill you.

I will leave my movie review at that so I don't ruin the plot for everyone! Waste no time - go to see *Cape Fear*!!

PC Dance Company To Perform

The Providence College Dance Company will present an informal concert in the Dance Studio (behind Bedford Hall) on December 7th and 8th at 2:00 p.m. The company will present several works by student choreographers, and one piece by faculty member Wendy Oliver. Admission is free, but please arrive early to be guaranteed seating. Dances will draw on elements of modern, jazz, sounds and text. A new

element this year in the company is a collaboration between student creative writers and choreographers.

Writers Kim Camlet and Pamela Mulcahey, along with choreographers Tammy Colucci, Melissa Hanzse, Tracey Jarzombek, and Leslie Racine, will present original works created specifically for this per-

formance. Actors Anne Marie Higgins and Leigh Price will be reading poetry and fiction.

The Providence College Dance Company is a group of experienced dancers chosen by audition. This company is sponsored by the PC Theatre Department, and will be holding auditions again in January. Please call 865-2206 for further information.

Pearl Jam Visits WDOM



David and Mike of Pearl Jam have a blast with WDOM's Frank DePasquale, Pam Schultz and Kelly Rohrer.

by Andy DiGiovanni
WDOM Public Relations

Last Wednesday, WDOM was happy to host Mike and David of Pearl Jam in the studio. Pearl Jam, a band from Seattle, Washington, was in the area that day, since they were to open up for the Red Hot Chili Peppers with the Smashing Pumpkins that night. Their new album *Ten* (Epic-Associated) is at number 31 on the College Music Journal Top 150 list.

Mike and David spent over 45 minutes with us on the air, having a great time, talking about the band's journey in the music industry so far, and playing some tunes. We took several calls on the request line and listeners were able to talk to the band members and ask them questions.

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Features

A Moment in the Life of Kate Wilson

BOP President / Member of the Class of 1992

by Megan Grennan
Features Editor

I consider myself pretty lucky to have been able to meet with Kate Wilson one Friday morning, considering her overwhelmingly busy schedule. Aside from serving as President the Board of Programmers, Kate is also an Ambassador, has been a Big Sister for the past four years, and works at the Cookie Connection in the Mini-Mall. Finding time for an interview was not easy!

The BOP sponsors cultural, social and recreational programs throughout the school year. It is comprised of 43 students, 39 of whom are chair people and four of whom serve as executive officers. Periodically, the group sends delegates to the National Association for Campus Activities (NACA) to gather new ideas and advice from other schools.

Kate is a senior this year, and comes to PC from Orlando, Florida. She is a political science major with a minor in Spanish, and is currently working towards a certificate in Latin American Studies. Evidently, Kate's academic schedule is just as hectic as her extracurricular one. She joined BOP at the end of her freshman year, and served as chairperson of the film committee before being named President.

The recent budget problems have forced BOP to come up with creative, inexpensive activities and events for the student body. Working with only half the amount

of money previously allotted to the organization, the group had to re-think which activities merit the greatest amount of funding. Although, as Kate stated, the budget cuts have resulted in frustration and low morale within BOP, the problem has also lessened conflicts with the administration. "We really haven't had many problems because we haven't been able to do anything out of the ordinary," Kate said. She finds Fr. McPhail to be very supportive, along with Sharon Hay, the BOP moderator.

The alcohol policy for BOP was ironed out the previous year and has proven to be very effective. According to the agreement, the BOP is allowed

to offer two beers per person, per hour. Kate was glad to say that they have never run out of beer at any event this year.

Kate finds that the best part of her involvement in BOP is working with and spending time with its other members. "The people on the Board are some of the most wonderful people I've ever met," she told me with a big smile. Kate is also grateful for the communication skills she has developed from working on BOP. Dealing with agents, administrators, and students, she describes her experience as "an education in itself."

When I asked Kate to name her personal favorite BOP-sponsored event or activity, she had trouble deciding between two. Dave Binder's "An Evening with James Taylor," though not well attended, was

one of Kate's favorites. This was an experimental weekend program, and will be offered again in the spring. The other favorite for Kate is the stag dances. "I've never attended them as a regular person, but I still have a great time." The group arranges so that each of the BOP members has some free time during the night to dance and socialize with the other students.

BOP is hoping to be able to sponsor a small outdoor concert in April, in conjunction with Super Sports. They will be offering trips to Venezuela and Barbados for the winter and Easter breaks. Kate also mentioned the possibility of holding MTV Lip Sync auditions in '64 Hall sometime in December. Keep your eyes and ears open for further information!

Kate represented PC and the US as an ambassador to the Organization of American States (OAS) in Washington, DC this November 8-15. Her ambition continues into her plans for the future. Kate hopes to attend our sister school in the Dominican Republic for two years after graduation. If this plan fails for some reason, she intends to teach English at a school in Costa Rica. Far from being unadventurous or lazy, Kate expresses a zest for life and a wish to be involved in helping and serving others. She is a remarkable student and leader, with a seemingly endless supply of energy and time reserved for aiding those around her.



Editorial Note from the Assistant Features Editor

by Brian Cappello
Asst. Features Editor

This is just a reminder to anyone out there in Cowl-land who may be taking the Features section a little too seriously. Most of the articles in this section are aimed at generating humor out of things relevant to everyday life. A Features writer's greatest challenge is deciding what's funny and what isn't, and occasionally, something that he or she deems funny may not be found humorous, but rather offensive, by a particular group of readers. Unfortunately, this is certainly not our goal. So when Bill Fennell says something like, "You can bring your problems to the Residence Board where they, to the best of their ability, will ignore it," he is only out for a laugh, not a letter (editorial). And he certainly doesn't expect people to think to themselves, "Wow, is that all the Residence Board does?"

As another example, when I write a Top 10 list, the items are usually funny because they are the opposite of reality. So when I say, "They're having 10 kegs in the priory tonight," that is funny because anyone associated with PC knows that this campus is drier than the Sahara. The point is, all we ask is that our readers try not to take anything that might appear offensive as offensive, but rather as a joke. Occasionally, we may take a joke too far, and if you feel that's the case, feel free to let us know. So if anyone is still wondering if the priests really do buy for freshman at PC, the answer, obviously, is YES! They buy them things like Bibles, rosary beads, subscriptions to *Abstinence Weekly*, and books like *How to Have Fun Without Actually Engaging in any Sort of Fun Activity*. By the way, did you see the priests streaking through the quad last night? (That's a joke, get it!)

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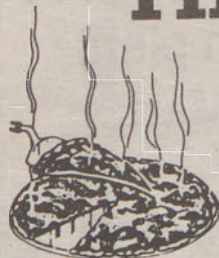
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Features

The Name of the Game

by Bill Fennell
Features Writer

Have you ever thought about what meanings names convey to others? I thought not, which is why I decided to write about it. Aren't you glad that I care so much? Anyway, names are things which we are stuck with for our entire lives. It doesn't matter if your name is Lance or Myrtle, it's yours, and you've gotta keep it. Unless you're being hunted down by the Mafia or something, then the federal government will change your name to something very inconspicuous like "Oonid McGrendel" or the like. Our names are our own, and they DO have some effect on us.

Take my name for instance. William, according to the *Dictionary of Names*, means "he who is not afraid to wear the same underwear three days in a row." Now that meaning is totally preposterous. I would NEVER wear the same underwear for more than two days. Or at least not my own. If I could change the meaning of my name to fit me, it would probably read something like this: "William- After the Norse God of Being to Parallel Park Really Well. The name William means "able to attract more women than a J.C. Penney white sale." Some nicknames are "Will," "Bill," "Billy," and "Phlegm." Famous Williams include: Billy the Kid, Willy Loman, Mr. Bill, and Bill Buckner. I think that would be a much more accurate descrip-

tion, don't you agree?

However, there are some names that make you think of something or some situation, no matter what. Take the name Chad, for instance. When most people hear that name, they immediately think of country clubs with people riding on horses sipping sherry from glasses that cost more than a trip for two to Mars. Most people think Chads hang around with people named Muffy and Nigel. This association, I happen to know, is incorrect. I say this because I have a friend named Chad, and- believe it or not- he had never gone golfing. Really. Plus, he never sips sherry from anything except the bottle. Another thing that goes against the stereotype is that he plays the

electric guitar, and listens to music other than Lawrence Welk. Now when was the last time you heard of someone named Chad strumming the latest "Extreme" song on an electric guitar? Never, that's when. You don't see the Kennedys doing that, now do you? Of course not. They're too busy being indicted for something or other for doing frivolous things like having fun. So you see, names are not always a giveaway for a person. Unless, of course, you hear that your distant cousin Helga from Norway is coming to visit. Then, you can be pretty sure you'll have to drag out the ol' concrete sofabed.

The way we present our names also has an effect on the way others perceive us. For example, the way we sign our name. If it's

signed formally ("Brunhilde" rather than "Hildy"), than that is usually a sign that you are proud of your name. If the name is signed like someone sneezed on the dotted line, then there are two possibilities. One, you really hate your name (Jehosephat) and don't want anyone to be able to read it, or two, you were in a very big hurry and don't like your name enough to take the time to write it properly. Or, someone could have sneezed on the paper. I have a friend who signs his name the same way on everything, be it a test paper or organ donor's card. He signs his first name, and then puts a "P," and then signs his last name. I have several theories about this. I think it's because he can't spell his middle name. I don't know what it is, but it's probably something embarrassing, like Prunella or Percival. It could also be that not even he knows his middle name. Oh, well. One can only speculate.

Last names can also tell a lot about a person. For instance, if your last name is Jackson, it most likely means "son of Jack." Likewise, we can take the old Scottish name "Abitchson," a name which comes from the fact that no one in the family was particularly nice. I'll let you figure it out for yourselves. Last names are also good indicators of nationality. Very rarely do you find an Irishman

named "Rastiniccupetelli." Chances are that that name is Italian. Irish names, however, are usually dead giveaways. Take the name "McYitzen." That's most likely an Irish name, as is "O'Dammileftheironon." Most family names have a history associated with them. For your convenience, I have done painstaking research on a couple of names and am now publishing the conclusions of my exhaustive research.

FENNELL- This name comes from the ancient Gaelic word for "commode." It is commonly confused with "Farrell," which comes from the Gaelic for "child-proof cap."

SMITH- This name comes from the ancient Hebrew word for "Yeti." If your last name is Smith, chances are that you have a yeti in your family somewhere. Find that person and then sell the photos to the *Enquirer*. You'll make millions.

TORTELLINI- This is a pasta, not a last name.

BOURESSA- This is a name of French origin that dates back to 1954. Its meaning is elusive, but most scholars agree that it comes from the German word for "pogo-stick." Either that or the Sanskrit word for "all-night convenience store."

I hope that you have gleaned some wisdom from my research, and I will probably try to look up some more names in the future, provided I don't get killed for this. I remain forever, Bill Commode... FENNELL.



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Committee Spotlight

Well, it has come time to introduce an outstanding committee that deserves recognition. I must say that I am biased because I was on that committee last year along with Carrie Atkins. If you haven't guessed, it is the Coffeehouse Committee whose members include Alison Lent, Chad Dimock, and Jen Dauer. Every Tuesday night from 9 - 12 down in the Last Resort, Ali, Chad, and Jen prepare creative foods along with getting local entertainment. The Coffeehouse offers a chance to take a study break or just hang out on Tuesday nights.

This year's Coffeehouses have been great! They have included food like chipwiches, pizza bagels, fried dough, and make-your-own sundae. Entertainment has included Don Levine, a regular at Styx, Open Mic Night and Caricature Night. And just this past Tuesday "Ants in the Basement." What else could you ask for?

This year has been a challenging year so far for Ali, Chad, and Jen who are all sophomores and are all new to the Board. They are doing a great job!

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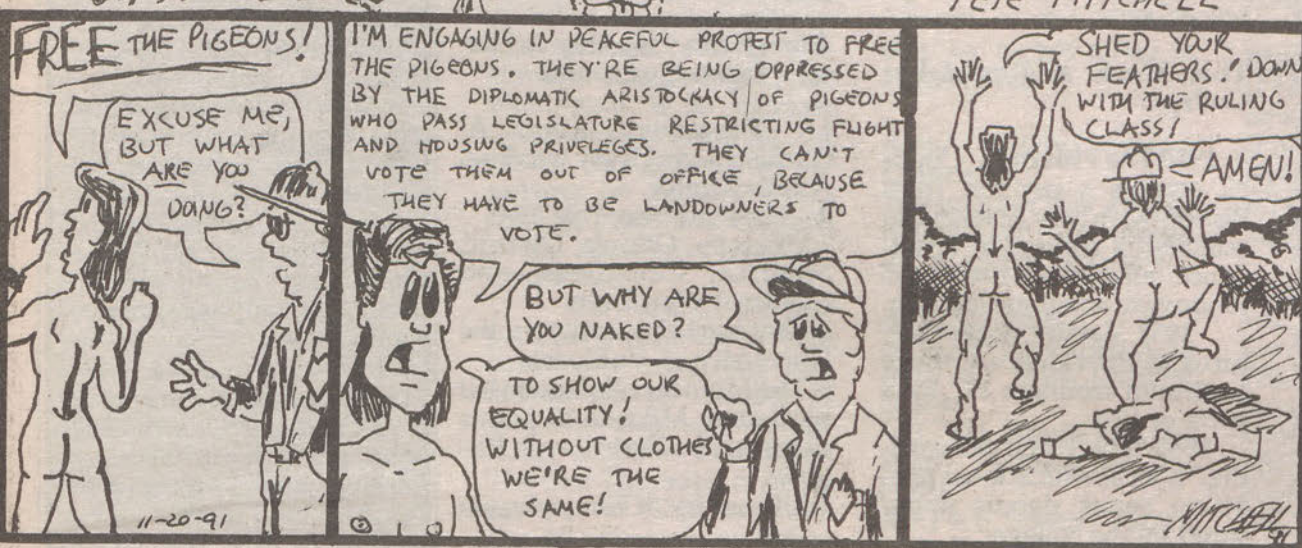
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This Day in History

by Robert L. Deasy

On This Day in:

1790 Northwest Territorial Governor Arthur St. Claire welcomed several hundred French settlers into the territory. The following year he would suffer the worst defeat of any American Army force at the hands of Indian attackers led by Chief Little Turtle.

1880 Lillian Russell made her American debut at Tony Pastor's in New York City in vaudeville. On the same day in 1909, Miss Helen Hayes made her New York stage debut.

1906 At an international conference in Berlin, it was decided that "S.O.S." would be the universal distress signal.

1918 By order of the Fuel Administrator, the lights were once again turned on along "The Great White Way" in New York City (The son of what American President filled that position during World War I? Answers may be found at the end of this chronology).

1930 Fans in Great Britain, courtesy of the B.B.C. heard the description of the first college football game

transmitted to their country from the United States. (Who played in this game and what was the final score?)

1935 Carrying 100,000 letters plus official mail, the first flight of the "China Clipper" left San Francisco for the 8,000 mile flight to Manila, stopping at Midway, Wake, and Guam along the way.

1943 The Cairo Conference began its discussions involving Franklin Roosevelt, Winston Churchill, and Chiang Kai-shek.

1963 12:31 p.m. CST, President John F. Kennedy was shot in Dallas Texas.

2:15 p.m. CST, Lee Harvey Oswald was captured in a theater in the same city.

2:38 p.m. CST, Lyndon Baines Johnson was sworn in as the new President aboard Air Force I.

5:58 p.m. EST, Air Force I arrived in Andrews Air Force Base carrying President and Mrs. Johnson, Jacqueline Kennedy, and the remains of the fallen President.

On This Day in Sports:

1917 The National Hockey League started with five Canadian teams (Who were they?)

1924 The first college game drawing a crowd of 100,000 people was played (Who were the two teams?)

1950 The lowest scoring game in National Basketball League history was played with the final score 19-18 (Who were the teams that played and who was the high scorer?)

This Week at Providence College:

1910 The Provincial Council accepts a petition from Bishop Matthew Harkins to establish a college in Providence, but requests more time to provide adequate staffing.

1952 Varsity hockey returns to Providence College as Brown trounces PC by a score of 12-4.

1953 "The Torch of Learning," a local educational television series debuts sponsored by the college.

1966 The first Junior Ring

Weekend is held.

1972 Providence College plays its first exhibition basketball game in the brand new Providence Civic Center (Who was the opponent and what was the final score?)

1973 The Schneider Arena witnessed its first hockey game as the Friars shut out their opponent 1-0 (Who was the opponent?)

1981 The PC men's cross country team ended its successful season ranked #2 in the nation (They would repeat as #2 in 1982.)

Answers to This Day in History Trivia Questions:

1. President James A. Garfield's son Harry was Fuel Administrator.
2. Harvard beat Yale 13-0.
3. Toronto, Ottawa, Quebec, Montreal Canadiens, and Montreal Wanderers
4. Stanford University vs. the University of California
5. The Minneapolis Lakers led by George Mikan's 15 points defeated the Fort Wayne Pistons.
6. University of Pennsylvania


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Academia

Asian Studies Program - The Next PC Minor?

by Rick Guarnaccia
Academia Editor

In the next couple of weeks it will be decided if the Asian Studies Program is to become the next minor in PC's curriculum. With recent approval by the Committee of Studies, Dr. Ann Wood Norton, assistant professor of anthropology/art history and the new director of the Asian Studies Program, is hopefully awaiting final approval by the Faculty Senate Committee.

"There is growing interest in Asian Studies, partly because of the large number of Asians coming to the United States, and partly because of a growing realization of the need to understand all cultures," said Norton. "The PC Asian Studies Program is designed to meet this need," she added.

Norton has already seen some interest by students in the Asian Studies Program, but would like to see a greater amount in the upcoming months. She would like PC students to begin to take more of the courses offered in this program and see more courses added to the program's curriculum. She feels that there must be an increase in awareness in the subject matter and increase in the amount of in-

terest. She believes that not enough PC students are being introduced to the types of classes offered (see the list of classes offered at the end of this article.)

One of the ways she feels an increase in interest can develop is through an outreach program which was founded this year called "Friends of Asia." It is a group open to all who are interested in Asian culture from the college and the surrounding community. The group also publishes a newsletter that has been distributed a couple of times this semester and is welcome to other's input. It's main goal is to increase peoples awareness in the Asian background by reporting on certain events such as plays and concerts in the southern New England area.

To further increase peoples' awareness in these cultures, Norton has also coordinated a number of free activities, such as lectures, exhibits and films. The first Thursday of every month, a film has been shown concerning a different Asian culture. In October, *Seventh Samurai* was shown, *Salaam Bombay* was

the movie in November, and on December 5 at 7:30 p.m. in Moore Hall II they will be showing a movie on Indonesian culture entitled *The Year of Living Dangerously*. Norton hopes that these films will broaden students thoughts on this concentration and hopefully consider this program as a possible avenue for future studies.

Anyone who is interested in the Asian Studies Program, please feel free to contact Dr. Ann Norton at 865-2520 or stop by in her office in Howley 103.

Asian Studies Course Offerings

The courses that appear in *Italics* are to be offered in the spring semester.

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APG 223 Southeast Asia
APG 225 *India: Cultural Studies*
APG 226 Siberia and the Small Peoples of the North
APG 406 Special Topics in Anthropology

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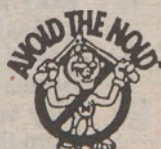
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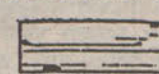
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Who's Number One? Just Ask Dick

by Chip Scutari
Sports Columnist

CALLING DICK SCHULTZ. CALLING DICK SCHULTZ AND THE NCAA. CAN YOU HEAR ME? There's a problem that just won't go away in college football.

The NCAA rule book is thicker than the Code of Hammurabi. It is harder to interpret than The Riddle of the Sphinx. It has 479 pages of enactments; this is more pages than the Congressional Journals in the nation's capital. These 479 pages are filled with hundreds and hundreds of administrative bylaws, rules upon rules of eligibility requirements, even an entire section devoted to waterpolo recruiting violations. The NCAA master manual contains all sorts of information, such as academic codes and travel plans for foreign athletic teams, but there's one thing missing. In all those pages of legislation and laws, why can't there be an article proposed for a playoff system in college football? Come on, Dick!! It is the nineties, and there is parity (or should I say parody) all over the country's college gridirons.

With the Hurricanes' narrow upset of Florida State on

Saturday, there are still two teams that wear undefeated marks in college football. In all likelihood, these unblemished records worn by the Miami Hurricanes and the Washington Huskies will stick throughout the new year. Hence, the problem in collegiate football. How can one team be crowned as a national champion, when there are other unbeaten teams in the Top 10? Forget about co-champions. Could you imagine the Lakers and the Celtics settling for that garbage? Yeah, right! Georgia Tech and Colorado were supposedly the best teams in college football last year. That's pure rubbish.

The College Bowls. Tradition, nostalgia, holidays. Nonsense. Bowls should be used for eating cereal or soup, maybe a hair cut or two (Bruce Coslet), but, definitely not to decide who is the best college football team in the country. Sure, the college bowls generate an enormous amount of revenue for the participants and satisfy fans, but college sports should be about integrity and true national championships. Perhaps this is wishful thinking but it is an idea.

Bowl bids are yet another farce on the college scene. Reputation (drawing power), rather than merit, often determines a selection by the bowl committees. A prime example of this happened when the Fighting Irish were selected to play in the Sugar

Bowl. Notre Dame has three losses, but because of their storied past they will enjoy the exposure and millions of dollars in revenue. Another team like East Carolina (9-1) is enjoying a storybook sea-

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son. They won't have a shot at a national title though. There are no sleepers in college football, no Cinderella stories like in college hoops. This whole bowl system stinks like the body odor in a locker room after a game. And believe me, that ain't no bed of roses.

Just think for a minute what might have been if Schultz and his "boyz" instituted a playoff format. In 1984, BYU probably wouldn't have escaped with a tainted title. Bobby Bowden and his boys from Tallahassee might have some jewelry on their

fingers. But, most importantly, there would finally be an end to the heated debate that starts up after the final AP polls are released in January.

Until these ideas come to fruition there will be annual arguments and differences spanning a 100 yards of turf. So what if I did take the easy way out by not proposing a solution to the problem. I'm confident in Mr. Schultz's ability to add some pages to the NCAA constitution. This time the words will accomplish something, instead of condemning something. Get on the ball, Dick!!

Scutari's Top 5:

- 1) Miami Hurricanes- I'm going out on a limb here.
- 2) Florida State- Sorry, Huskies, the Pac 10 isn't what it used to be.
- 3) Washington- #3 ain't bad.
- 4) Florida- Hey, I love the Sunshine state.
- 5) Michigan- Desmond will get his Heisman trophy but not a national championship.

College Super Bowl (the day before Super Sunday)
Miami vs. Washington- The Hurricanes prevail at the SuperDome 30-27.

On A Roll

by Russell Newell
Sports Writer

Lady Friar volleyball is rolling lately. They won four matches this week and head into the Big East Tournament as the fifth seed.

Providence had three wins in the Villanova ASICS Tiger Autumn Classic by defeating Fairleigh Dickinson 15-4, 15-4, 15-10, Villanova 15-9, 15-9, 15-5, and St. Bonaventure 15-16, 15-3, 12-15, 15-8. PC also beat Boston College in a non-league game 15-4, 15-4, 15-10.

Villanova proved a huge victory. "Nova was second in the Big East and had a 26-3 overall record," Coach Bagge said. "We

have been playing good ball. The Villanova coach told me no team has dominated his team as we did that match." Coach Bagge added, "It was an overall great team effort. We played very relaxed and yet very intensely."

Aileen Koprowski, Michelle Kent and Jen Winslow were all named to the All-Tournament team of the ASICS Tiger Classic.

Providence plays at the Big East Tournament November 23 and 24 at the University of Pittsburgh. The fifth-seeded Lady Friars play number four seed Georgetown in their opening match.

Early Morning Calls Pay Off for PC's Holt

by Michael Tripoli
Sports Interviewer

Most individuals think of swimming as an activity to undertake during their leisure time in the summer. It is a soothing feeling to dive into a pool during the dog days of July and August when the 95 degree temperatures and humidity make sweat run down your forehead. As the cold New England weather and biting Nor'easter winds embark upon us, diving into a swimming pool seems like a distant thought. However, there are some people who hit the pool almost every day during the winter. These people are the Providence College Men's swim team, and Chris Holt is one of them.

Chris Holt is a second-year swimmer for this year's men's swim team. The political science major hails from Lincoln, R.I. Swimming has been a part of Chris' life for thirteen years. "I have older brothers who are also swimmers," mentioned the Stephens Hall resident. "I am the youngest in my family and just kind of followed in the footsteps of my brothers."

Thirteen years is a long time to compete in one sport, especially when you are a nineteen-year-old college sophomore. But because

Chris has spent so many years in the pool, he has been able to narrow down the various events he could compete in to only a handful. Chris does the 200m butterfly, 200 and 400m individual medley, as well as freestyle and distance events. When asked to choose a favorite, Chris did not hesitate. "I like the 200 fly the most", he emphatically stated. "It is not necessarily my best event. It is very difficult, kind of like a sprint."

Chris says that the fly may not be his best event, but the stats may beg to differ. In a recent 123-120 victory against George Washington Chris set a school record in the 100m butterfly (2:10.01). "I didn't feel really good during the race," he remarked. "I had already done the 800 freestyle. My arms and shoulders started to tighten up toward the end of the race. I wasn't trying to set any records, I just wanted to beat the competition." And beat the competition. Due to his record-breaking performance as well as victories in the 400 and 800 freestyles, Chris was named PC Male Athlete of the Week last week.

Since defeating George Washington the Friars have also paddled their way to victory over Springfield. Those two triumphs leave the Friars undefeated at 2-0. Though it is obviously too early in the season to make any bold predictions, Chris is opti-

mistic about this year. "We could be the number one team in New England," he stated. UMass, Boston College, and UConn will be our toughest competition in New England."

This weekend could be a good gauge as to how the team will perform this sea-

son. The Friars have a dual meet against St. John's and UConn. According to Chris, UConn has always provided a good challenge for the PC paddlers.

Now that meets have begun the team has reduced practice time in the pool. "Before the meets began, we were practicing Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Sun-

day mornings," recalls Chris. "We either went at 6:15 or 7:30, depending on when we have classes. "On Tuesdays and Thursdays we would lift in the morning and swim at night. Now we are cutting back on morning practices and have only one or two a week."

During practices each team member trains for the events he performs in, whether it be distance or sprint. Chris is with the distance group, though he usually trains somewhat for the butterfly. Individual training for the butterfly is probably a good idea considering the fact that it is one of the more physically taxing events.

When out of the pool Chris enjoys to play golf. Admittedly, he is not as skilled at golf as he is at swimming, but he still likes the game. "After the season is over I go out and play with some of the guys from the team. We just play to have fun."

This summer when you are hot and sweaty and desire to "take the Nestea plunge" remember that swimming can be done not only to cool off, but also to keep your body in good shape. Try swimming a few laps doing the butterfly. It may not be as easy as you think it is.



Holt's 2:10.01 in the 100m Butterfly set a new school record

Tight Ends Take Home the T-Shirts

Win Second Straight Flag Football Championship

by Tim Sullivan
IAB Correspondent

Last Thursday night, the women's flag football championship game took place at Raymond Field in front of a large supportive crowd. The match-up pitted defending champs Tight Ends against two time finalist Suite 55. The game was a rubber match of sorts. Last season, Suite 55 defeated Tight Ends in the regular season but the Tight Ends came back and beat Suite 55 in the more important semifinals.

The Tight Ends, coached by John Regan and Tony Mancini, was the dominant team early in the first half, led by all-purpose player Niki Moran, receiver Liz Wynne and back Ellen Duffy. Approximately five minutes into the contest, Duffy took a handoff from Moran and ran 20 yards for the score behind the excellent blocking of Kristine Boyle and Maria Brandt. The extra point attempt was no good, leaving the score 6-0.

From that point on, Suite 55 took complete control. Quarterback Suzy Parker put on a one-woman show, running through the defense at will. Midway through the first half, Parker scored on a 35-yard scamper. Coach Matt Rice went deep into the playbook to make a fine call for the extra-point attempt. All receivers lined up on the right except for Laine Bigos, who split out wide left but deep in the backfield. Parker took the snap, faked right and threw back left to a wide open Bigos, who looked as if she came running in from the sidelines. The score gave Suite 55 a 7-6 lead.

Two plays after the ensuing kickoff, Annie Elcock intercepted a Moran pass to set up a Suite 55 score. Parker again scampered for a score thanks to the tremendous blocking of Traci Parrot, Carol Hannon and Katie Zottner. The extra attempt failed, but Suite 55 still led 13-6 at the half.

The second half was a defensive battle between the two titans. Tight Ends finally broke the scoring drought with a

touchdown late in the half. The extra point attempt appeared to be successful, but referee Tim Carr ruled Moran down before the throwing the pass. All hope seemed lost for the Tight Ends, behind 13-12 with under five minutes to play.

However, the Tight Ends showed that championship spirit and literally refused to quit. They got the ball back with 42 seconds to play at their own 25 but were out of time outs. The Tight Ends, though, didn't need a time out. On the first play of the drive, Moran rolled right and hit a wide open Liz Wynne down the middle of the field for the game-winning score.

Suite 55's last ditch effort came up short as Moran intercepted a pass and ran it all the way back for her second score, giving the Tight Ends the 24-13 victory.

Both teams should be congratulated for the effort. Special congrats goes out to the Tight Ends, who won the coveted t-shirts for the second year in a row.

Mamma Knocks Out the Competition

by Scott Dumais
IAB Correspondent

This season's men's flag football season came to a close last week.

The semifinals matched up Mamma Said Knock You Out against Just Hold Me. In a physical battle, Mamma defeated Hold Me 33-21. The other semifinal competition was between Coitus Interruptus and the Penguins. The game was closer than the score card indicated; Coitus won 25-13.

The championship game was the best game in Super Thursday history. Coitus played a flawless game, and the backfield of Collins and Grady could not be stopped. Mamma played their usual physical brand of football, and Coitus matched them hit for hit. Veterans Scalese and Milanese were both injured.

Coitus looked to have the game won, but the old warrior QB, hobbling down field on one leg, led his team within scoring distance.

As time ran out, Milanese dove through the line and scored, bringing his Mammass within one point, 27-26. He then hit John Regan on the option to tie the game. On the opening kickoff of overtime, Mamma's A.J. recovered the pigskin on a fumble. A few plays later, Mamma pushed it in and stole the victory.

After a tough defensive stop, Mike Motto had finally won his first shirt. Scalese, Milanese and Rosenthal, all no strangers to the flag football winners' circle, had won their third.

Thanks to all the players who fought hard to make this season one of the best in recent history. Congratulations to Mamma Said Knock You Out on their victory. And last, but certainly not least, a special thanks to the refs that kept all the games fair!



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Sports

Team Lege, Goodfellas Remain Undefeated

by Tim Sullivan
IAB Correspondent

Whiffleball season continued to roll along into week three with several exciting contests. The premier match-up of the week pitted Goodfellas, 2-0, against a very strong 2-0 Youngsters II. Goodfellas took the early lead thanks to the timely hitting of the newly acquired Mike Motto and Chad Emmerich. Youngsters answered back, scoring once in the fifth and again in the top of the sixth inning to tie the game at two. Goodfellas, feeling the pressure, put together a mini-rally early in the bottom of the inning, led by Andy Alberino and took a 4-2 lead. Rick Nocera preserved the win for Goodfellas by forcing the last man to fly out with runners on first and third.

Team Lege (3-0) finally got the bats going and easily defeated Sweetkus, 13-1. Tom McNamara led Team Lege going seven for eight with five doubles. Jeff Bauman, alternating between a vicious fastball and a sweeping curve, kept Sweetkus off balance all night.

In other action, Suzy Q Penguins defeated Pullin Tubes in an extremely tight ball game. The ultimate Penguin, Dan

Driscoll, and teammate Tim Carr provided the defense to preserve the victory. Offensively, Bill Greer time and time again was able to get the key hit for the undefeated Penguins.

Pullin Tubes bounced back though and sent Some Nerds Stole Our Name down in defeat, 5-0. Shawn "You Can Call McNolan" Ryan was outstanding on the mound, while pitching the complete game shut-out. Kenny Dolan and Chuck Collins provided the offense by combining for nine hits for the 1-1 Pullin Tubes.

Pete Schiller, of Two Woodys In One House, bounced back after a tough loss last week and shut out Wake Up Joe, 2-0. Kevin Humason continued his hot hitting, knocking in both runs for the victors on a one out double. Mike Doohar and Joe Manfredi played well in the losing effort for the winless Wake Up Joe.

The final game of the week saw L Train remain undefeated by crushing Lev Loves Meg, 8-0. Steve McCrory and Eric Gorny demonstrated uncanny power in hitting two homeruns apiece. With this type of power, there is no telling how far this team can go.

Fly, Fly, Fly Away

Last week in Ultimate Frisbee, there was only one night of games, but all four games turned out to be action packed. We Team Shower battled against Give Us The T-Shirts Now. In the end We Team Shower got the win and Give Us The T-Shirts Now were handed their first loss of the season. There turned out to be a close match between Polynesian Bobsled and Joint Venture. The Bobsled took the victory with a few seconds left by a score of 16-14. Look Ma No Hands came

out on top, 18-13, against the young Da Bears. I'm A Friar, Who The Hell Are You? team, although they were a late entry in the league, they seem to be a powerful squad. They beat Bethys Horn Dogs in a close match, 16-14.

On Tuesday night, the Bobsled got their second win of the season against Long And Deep with another come from behind vic-

tory. Polynesian Bobsled took a one point lead in the final minute and held on 15-14. Again, defense was the key and contributions came from all parties. The MVP award went to Lisa Crossley for her game-winning catch with 50 seconds left to go. Tim Judge was the offensive star of the game with ten points.

Monday night's games will be played and the playoffs are right around the corner.

3 on 3 Basketball Bounces On Four Teams Remain Unbeaten

by Scott Dumais
IAB Correspondent

3 on 3 basketball action continued last week with some impressive games. In the men's division, the McAdams Family squad had a strong showing in defeating both fourth seed How Do You Like Your Eggs? and Larry's Disciples. The strong junior team, the Hershey Squirts, remained undefeated and

are proving to be a real contender for the title.

Money, Dowhatchawhat and Phi Slamma Your Mamma also kept their perfect records afloat last week, beating all who challenged them.

Shandool Loves His Tool defeated an unbeaten Stoiko Lives. The victors were lead by the passing game of star Tim Carr, the sharp shoot-

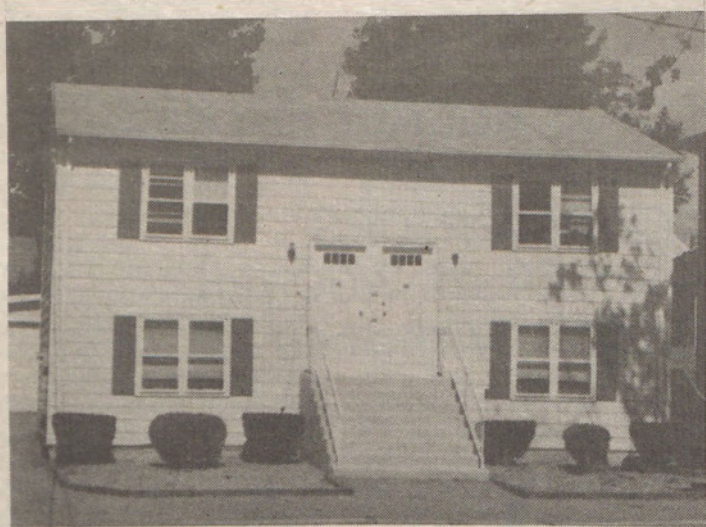
ing of Peter Werner and strong inside play by Brian Timme. Stoiko looked tough, highlighted by Ryan Hogan's great shooting and Maurice's strong driving ability. Stoiko also got solid play from Louis Berry and John Wong.

The women's division looks pretty even. At first sight, B Team and Annie's Squad appear very strong. More on IAB Basketball next week!

Athletes of the Week

Geraldine Hendricken (Women's Cross Country): Hendricken, a Carlow, Ireland, native, finished second at the ECAC Championships four seconds behind the first place finisher Sonia O'Sullivan of Villanova. Hendricken ran the course in 16:07.4 which helped the Lady Friars to a second place finish at the ECAC Championships. The finish qualifies PC for the NCAA Championships on Monday, November 25, at the University of Arizona.

Mark Carroll (Men's Cross Country): The freshman from Cork, Ireland, led Providence to a first place finish at the IC4A Championships by finishing seventh in the race with a time of 30:48.26. The Friars earned an automatic qualifying spot in the NCAA Championships to be held on Monday, November 25, at the University of Arizona.



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by Beth Albertini
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The men's and women's swim teams are off to a good start this season as both teams beat Springfield last week.

The Lady Friars improved their record to 2-0 when they defeated Springfield, 126-111. Michele Debari led the way for Providence as she won two individual events and teamed up with Rita Bopp, Kara Gormley and Ann Marie Stephan to win the 200m medley relay. Debari won the 800m freestyle in 9:22.47 and the 200m backstroke in 2:28.48.

Allyson Dunleavy and Jennifer Porter were both double winners to help the Lady Friars in the victory. Dunleavy won the 200m butterfly in 2:27.29 and the 400m freestyle in 4:40.95. She also added

a second place finish in the 200m individual medley to the winning cause. Porter won the 50m freestyle and the 100m freestyle.

Michele Tamburo and Sue Kilgallen were individual winners. Tamburo took first in the 200m freestyle, while Kilgallen won the one meter required (diving).

The men's swim team were also successful, with a 138-102 victory over Springfield.

Chris Maloney was the lone double winner for the Friars as he won both one meter diving events, the required and the optional. In the required, he scored 165.85 points and 241.20 points in the optional.

John Sievers, Paul

Mikuszewski, Chris Holt and Rod McGarry brought home individual wins for the Friars. Sievers won the 200m individual medley in 2:20.46. Mikuszewski took the 200m butterfly in 2:18.77. Holt finished first in the 200m backstroke in 2:14.91, and McGarry won the 200m breaststroke in 2:38.17.

Eric Huber, Chrle Hince, Phil Dowd and Dave Soligon combined to win the 200m medley relay with a time of 1:54.47.

The women travelled to Boston University for a meet with the Lady Terriers on Wednesday and then host St. John's and Connecticut with the men on Saturday.

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A Kiss Before Flying

PC tips off against weak UNH before heading out to the Maui Classic

by John Raposo
Sports Editor

"The waiting is the hardest part."
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At last, it's for real. After toiling for a solid month under the bright yellow lights of Alumni Gym, the Friars will finally take the court at the Providence Civic Center for a game which counts in the standings. The Friars, who have not seen live action since November 9th, host the University of New Hampshire Wildcats Friday at 7:30.

After the Friars' contest against the Wildcats, the team flies out to Hawaii to participate in the prestigious Maui Classic. With six games in twelve days and a competitive field in the Maui Classic (probable second round matchup with third ranked Arkansas), the Friars' mettle will be tested early. "It will give us a chance to find out where we stand early in the season," stated Marques Bragg, last year's Friar Defensive Player of the Year. "We're also looking to gain some respect around the country."

Respect has been an elusive

commodity in the preseason as the Friars placed seventh in the preseason Big East Coaches' poll and had no players on the All-Conference Team (Michael Smith and Rob Phelps did make the preseason All-Rookie Team, though). Coach Rick Barnes reasoned, "We have suffered a lack of respect in the preseason polls, but you have to get the job done on the floor."

With two exhibition games already played, the coaching staff has been especially concerned with improving the Friars' half court defense. "We have to try to pressure the ball on the perimeter to take the heat off of the post defenders," Barnes explained. Even though Barnes lost 30.5% of his offense, the least of his concerns are scoring points. "We have players who are confident and are not afraid to step up and take some shots (read: Phelps and Kenny McDonald)," said the Friars' hoop boss.

At Tuesday afternoon's press luncheon, Barnes revealed that he was set on four of his five starting positions. Look for Trent Forbes at the point, Phelps at the shooting guard, Bragg at the power for-

ward and Dickey Simpkins at another forward position. The fifth position will be determined by performance this week in practice. Bragg has had a tough week of practice due to the build up of scar tissue on his backbone. After a couple days off, the Friar strongman will be in the lineup, though possibly not at 100%.

Ideally, Barnes would like to shave down his rotation to a ten player maximum. With the tenacious and unrelenting defensive style which Barnes expects, a ten man rotation may be necessary. "If the younger guys improve," 6'8" junior Tony Turner offered. "The veterans' time will go down, but the overall quality of the team's play will improve."

As for the UNH, the Wildcats lost only 2 of 14 letterman from last year's squad which agonized through an embarrassing 3-25 season. The Maui Classic will offer the Friars with an opening round matchup against Chaminade University. With the likes of #24 Arizona State, a Michigan State team which returns 5 of its top 6 players, a tough Rice University team and the Big 10's Min-

nesota, the Friars' stay in Maui will be all work and no fun in the sun.

That's all right for Marques

and the rest of the Friars. The most trying part of the season - the waiting - is finally over.



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Sports

One Step Closer

The Stage is Set for Friar Harriers in the NCAA's

by Beth Albertini
Assistant Sports Editor

"I'm relaxed today," said Coach Treacy. And he had good reason to be. His men's cross country team had won their first IC4A title in seven years and the co-captain of his women's team had come within four seconds of beating Villanova's Sonia O'Sullivan at the ECAC Championships.

There are some things you can count on in life other than death and taxes. This fall it has been Mark Carroll leading the way for the Friars on the cross country course. He was again first across the line for Providence at the IC4A Championships at Lehigh University. Carroll was with the frontrunners on Saturday when he was knocked to the ground and out of the lead group. The freshman recovered to finish seventh in 30:14.8. Chris Teague, Paul Logan, Andy Keith, Niall Murphy and Scott Cody were all within 20 seconds of each other to back up Carroll's performance and bring home the trophy. Teague was eleventh in 30:51. He was followed by Logan in 30:54 (13th), Keith in 30:55 (15th), Murphy in 31:03 (18th) and Cody in 31:09 (22nd).

"It was a great team effort," beamed Coach Treacy. "They ran together through the race and were able to help one another through the tough patches. It was a brave run by

Mark to come back and finish seventh. We're very confident going into nationals."

Another thing you can count on this season is the one-two punch of Geraldine Hendricken and Sinead Delahunty. Hendricken rebounded from an eighth place finish at Big East three weeks ago to run a personal best of 16:07 at Lehigh on Saturday in the ECAC Championship meet. Her personal best was overshadowed by the fact that she finished only four seconds behind last

year's national champion Sonia O'Sullivan. The Lady Friars finished second to Villanova overall but won their division. Cornell was third, followed by Georgetown and Penn State.

"We knew that sooner or later Geraldine would turn around," said Coach Treacy. "I believe she has a chance of beating O'Sullivan at the NCAA's. The race was very close and when it's that close it can go either way."

The second half of the Providence one-two punch, Sinead

Delahunty, finished eighth in 16:27. Coach Treacy said, "She didn't run as well as she has, but she will bounce back with Geraldine. She had a lot of exams last week and was tired. It really takes a toll on the body."

The freshman duo of Leanne Burke and Amy Rudolph continued to shine for the Lady Friars. Burke finished eighteenth at Lehigh in 17:02. Rudolph crossed the line with sophomore Vanessa Molloy in 17:17 to round out the Providence scoring five. Jean Hughes wasn't far behind in 17:36. Mary Mullane was bothered by a strained quadricep during the race, but Coach Treacy hopes to have her back for Monday's meet.

Anita Philpott is battling her way back after a stress fracture caused her to miss most of the cross country season. She won the junior varsity race on Saturday and Coach Treacy thinks she will add more strength to the team at the NCAA's.

Thus the stage is set for the national championship meet at the University of Arizona on Monday. Both the men's and women's teams have been in the top five since the season began two and a half months ago and both are confident going into the NCAA's. With both teams running at their best, who knows what may happen?



Paul Logan helps to lead the Friar charge into the NCAA's

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Crushed Northeastern 6-0; Lost to UMass-Lowell 8-6

by Russell Newell
Sports Writer

Providence hockey fans saw two teams play last weekend. One that dominated Northeastern in an away game on Friday, and one that struggled against UMass-Lowell.

The Friars special teams led the way in a sharp contest against the Northeastern Huskies. Providence scored four power play goals and added a shorthanded goal to compliment sophomore goaltender Mike Heinke's 19 save shutout performance.

The scoring against Northeastern came from defensemen

Chris Therien and Rob Gaudreau. Each scored a goal and had two assists. Bob Cowan, Mike Boback, Craig Darby and Chad Quenneville also contributed with a goal a piece.

Saturday night marked the return of UMass-Lowell, a team that beat the Friars two weeks ago at Schneider. Providence fans looked to gain revenge against a lesser-ranked Lowell team. The Chiefs disappointed the Friar faithful early and jumped to a 6-1 lead before the Friars made the game remotely exciting. Providence closed to within one goal with 3:04 left in the third period but could not

score on Lowell's Mark Richards.

Providence's power play remained strong, scoring five of the team's six goals. Gary Socha led the attack with two goals and an assist. Gaudreau and Therien continued their scoring rampage, each netting a goal and two assists. Chad Quenneville and Craig Darby had PC's other goals.

Providence's six goals were not enough to claim the victory though, as the Chiefs, led by Dave Gatti's hat trick, racked up eight.

Freshman right win Craig Darby earned Hockey East's Rookie of the Week for his performance over the weekend. Darby had two goals and an assist and played a key role in the Friar power play. Mike Heinke's shutout against Northeastern was PC's first since February 10, 1990.

The Friars continue their homestand this week with two games at Schneider. Boston University invades Providence on Friday night with a 5-1-0 overall record and a fifth ranking in the nation. The Terriers went all the way to the NCAA finals last year but now plays eight or nine freshmen. The are

led by goalie Scott Cashman and team captain Tom Dion.

PC then faces Merrimack on Sunday night. Merrimack is 4-3-0 record and is led by senior forward Agostino Casale (11-

11-22).

Friday night is pom-pom night. The first 1,500 fans will receive a free black and white pom-pom to cheer the Friars to victory.



Goaltender Mike Heinke had 19 saves against the Huskies

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