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Cunningham Announces Proposed Cuts

Faculty and Staff Benefits Targeted for Reduction

by Theresa Edo
News Staff Writer

"We all face the risk of financial troubles... the financial security of the College rests with all of us." President Cunningham's words echoed across the silence of the gym. The audience which consisted of hundreds of invited faculty and staff members began to realize the seriousness of the occasion.

These words were heard on Tuesday, March 16. That day a meeting was held in Alumni Gym to explain the changes which need to be made in PC employees' compensation and benefits plans in response to what was called "difficult economic times."

At this meeting, Joseph M. Cianciolo, C.P.A., managing partner of KPMG Peat Marwick, of Providence, RI, and Heidi J. Toppel, Esq., C.P.A., vice president of Borah Associates, Inc. of Providence, RI, delivered the results of their year-long re-examination of PC's former practices in their employee/executive benefits and com-

pensation programs to prepare the College for an increasingly competitive marketplace.

The consulting organization used the faculty as a case study for all other employee groups. In a 80+ page report, the firm focused on five areas: total compensation, total benefits as compared to cash pay by professional rank, retirement benefits, and medical benefits by cost and character. PC was compared to

colleges with diverse post-graduate programs and without significant doctorate and research facilities. These schools include Seton Hall, Villanova, and Fairfield University. Category IIA schools in the Northeast were also examined. These schools demographically compete for the same students. They include the State Universities of Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, and also private schools such as St. Joseph and Union College. Also used was a list of twenty-three schools, selected by the Faculty Welfare Committee and the administration. Finally, all Rhode Island schools were viewed.

PC was found to have what was called by Ms. Toppel as a "Rolls Royce" benefits package, a "generous package... that is becoming rarer and rarer." The College salaries were found to be above average, even exemplary. Benefits in total were the best in the IIA category, the list of twenty three schools, and in the group of local, Rhode Is-

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other schools in these areas by looking at four multi-focused competitive groups: category IIA schools which are defined as comprehensive, four year

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The PC Bookstore: Some Noble Excuses

by Jennifer Brinkman
Asst. News Editor

\$1.00, \$.75, \$1.25. Do these prices sound familiar to anyone? No, they are not the prices of your meals in Mondo during dollar days. It is also not some of the average prices of a draft at the local PC bars. Do you give up? Well, it may be a slight exaggeration but these are some of the numbers that are yelled to you as your books get tossed into a large cardboard box by your friendly neighborhood PC bookstore employee. The operation that I am referring to, of course, is none other than the buyback for textbooks at the Barnes & Noble bookstore located in lower Slavin Center.

"Textbooks are expensive, and, unfortunately, like everything else, they continue to get more expensive each year," says Joe Rushworth, manager of the PC bookstore. Unfortunately, many students have a difficult time ac-

cepting this as "justification" for the mere five bucks they receive in return for the fifty dollars they shelled out at the beginning of the semester. Surprisingly, though, high prices for textbooks do not mean profits for bookstores. Publishers take the biggest bite out of every textbook dollar you spend.

Like every college bookstore across the country- and every retailer- the cost of the book determines the price of that book. The prices of the majority of books sold is determined directly by the publishing companies. They sell the books at a set cost and also establish the selling price the bookstores are to follow. Over 80% of all colleges and universities across the country use this pricing policy.

The problem seems to occur when the students go back to the store at the end of the semester only to discover their books have decreased in value up to 70%. "One of the reasons we get complaints is because freshman and sophomore year the students do well when they

return books. They sell back their Western Civ books which are most often used the following semester and that's the standard they expect. However, junior and senior year, the students return books for classes that may not be offered next term and they sometimes receive next to nothing", claims Mr. Rushworth. "We have no control over that."

This "rip-off", as it is sometimes referred, is not only a problem at PC. When the costs of three different textbooks were compared for their buyback prices at other schools, the results were the same. Brown University, University of Rhode Island and Rhode Island College, all gave the same figures when asked what a student could expect to receive from a randomly selected Calculus, Macroeconomics and Modern Advanced Accounting book.

Students are guaranteed 50% of the selling price for
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The Faculty Talks Back

Reaction To The Proposed Compensation Cuts

by Kate Malloy
News Editor

President Cunningham assured the audience present at last Wednesday's meeting that "the administration is more than willing to listen." Despite the President's promise to hear any suggestions regarding the proposed cuts in faculty and staff benefits, the aftermath of the announcement stirred up indications of resentment and frustration from various faculty members who feel the discussion may be closed. As the headline read from the Friday March 19th Providence Journal-Bulletin article

also has come under question. Dr. John Colby of the Psychology Department has strongly objected to the college's use of what he called "hired guns" from outside the college to make the cuts. He argued that the administration never consulted with the faculty before making the announced cuts on last Wednesday.

"When the president accepts the non-consultation mode of decision making recommended by unsophisticated business types he does so at great risk to the fabric of this community. We are not going to roll over and play dead just because the president has decided to listen to a

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on the meeting, "PC faculty (are) irked by the proposed cutbacks."

The article summarized that "For the average faculty member, the proposed cut in pension payments would amount to about \$2,000 annually. The changes in health benefits call for increasing the insurance deductible for individuals from \$100 to \$200, and for families from \$200 to \$400." While the cuts themselves present a problem for professors, the way in which the numbers were arrived at

\$100,000+ hired gun and a coterie of his friends passed off as skilled consultants," Colby said Tuesday afternoon. Dr. Colby has served as Vice President of the Faculty Senate, until his resignation last week which was prompted by his feeling that the current administration places little value on the power of the Faculty Senate.

Professor Carol Hartley, chairperson of the Faculty Welfare Committee echoed Dr. Colby's frustrations at the
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Sergei Khrushchev, Son of Nikita Khrushchev To Visit PC

Providence College will host the 17th annual conference of the New England Slavic Association on Saturday, April 3, 1993 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the college's Classroom Building.

During the day-long conference, 31 panels with various aspects of Russian and East European history, politics, culture and society will be presented. A number of the panels will deal with the current situations in Russia, the former

Yugoslavia, and other parts of Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

The luncheon speaker will be Sergei Khrushchev, the son of the former leader of the Soviet Union, Nikita Khrushchev, who will address the topic of "Russia Today." Professor Khrushchev, who is presently a senior research associate with the Center for Foreign Policy Development at Brown University, is also a well-known author with sev-

eral books and numerous scholarly articles to credit.

The conference and the luncheon are open to the public. The registration fee for the conference is \$5; the optional luncheon is \$16.

For registration information, please contact Professor Paul D. Quinlan, president of the New England Slavic Association and member of Providence College's History Department, at (401) 865-2193.

Career Planning: We Want You

by Shelly Hall
Career Assistant

Interested in learning about personal career planning and job search strategies while at the same time helping fellow students? Looking to strengthen your communication and public speaking skills? How about having fun while gaining experience highly valued by employers?

Sound good? Well then, try giving this a whirl. The Career Planning Service of the Student Development Center is looking for interested students to volunteer as Career Assistants for the '93-'94 school year.

Still sounds good? Yes? Great, then I'll keep going. As a C.A. you will be trained to lead group workshops on various career topics and services for Freshman, Sopho-

mores, and Juniors. Workshop topics include such areas as: Career Planning Basics, How to Develop a Summer Job or Internship, Job Interview Practice, and Resume Writing. We also serve on committees that involve public relations, career articles for the Cowl, and recruitment for new career assistants.

So if you are a member of the class of '94 or '95, enthusiastic, motivated, and interested in becoming a C.A., we are seeking four new career assistants (male and female) to join our team.

Application and further information are available in the Student Development Center, Slavin 209. (The deadline for application is Thursday, April 1, 1993, so don't wait.) Sign up now!

Get a jump start in your future and become a career assistant today.

The 18th New England Undergraduate Research Conference in Sociology '64 Hall, Friday April 2, 1993

Sixteen students, from ten colleges and universities, will present their original sociological research in a variety of timely topics such as the gender gap in voting, sexism in children's books and in language, the attitudes about homosexuality, the impact of the university on students attitudes, and of teachers' attitudes on the math appreciation of elementary school students, and a comparison of child protective services in three states.

9-9:30	Registration and Coffee	
9:30	SESSION 1.	Issues Related to Gender
	SESSION 2.	Survey Research Investigations Focusing on Attitudes and Ideology
11:00	SESSION 3.	Sociological Potpourri
	SESSION 4.	Panel Presentation: The Relationship of Child Well-Being and Social Structure in 3 States
12:15	BUFFET LUNCH (\$6 per person, reservations required)	
1:15	PRESENTATION OF AWARDS	
1:30	KEYNOTE ADDRESS by Stephen F. Steele, Ph.D. Pres., Society for Applied Sociology	

PC Social Science major Mary Gatta will receive a cash award for her paper, "A Sociological Investigation of Sexism in Language."

The conference is free and open to interested students, faculty, staff and members of the community. For more info, call the Sociology Department or Josephine Ruggiero, at 865-2125.

The PC Bookstore: Some Noble Excuses

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hardcover and large-format softcover textbooks in good condition, if they have been ordered by your professors for use next term and if the bookstore is not overstocked. This 50% return is the standard price set by the Missouri Book Company, which is our national wholesale bookdealer.

Publishers issue new editions of textbooks frequently. They do this partly as a result of changing information. When a new edition of a title comes out, the previous edition automatically loses its value.

Old edition textbooks are in surplus in the national used book market, and there is no demand for them. They have no value and unfortunately the bookstore cannot buy them. "If you don't think it's fair- keep the book or wait to

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return it another semester," suggests Mr. Rushworth.

The best time to sell back your used books is during finals week. By this time, the bookstore has received orders from most of the faculty and the demand for certain titles is high. This way, you are guaranteed the most you can expect to receive for your books.

Many of you probably have some sneaking suspicion that the members of the NCAA Selection Committee also hold part-time jobs in the Barnes & Noble "text buyback" operation, living to cheat the PC students of what they are rightly due. However, this just simply isn't the case. Like it or not, it's just another frustrating situation that requires further investigation to begin to understand what goes on behind the scenes.

Pastoral Council News...

There will be signups in lower Slavin Monday the 29th, Tuesday the 30th, & Wednesday the 31st for social action events.

The Smith Hill Center needs volunteers for after school day care and food distribution.

Help is also needed for work on Saturdays at soup kitchens.

We need your support!

Cunningham Announces Proposed Cuts

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land schools. Also, the total compensation and benefits plan was better than eighty-three percent of IIA schools in New England and ninety three percent of New England schools.

Despite these positive statistics, Rev. John Cunningham stated that PC,

of offering full compensation for employee medical benefits, but will give employees more options in the original Blue Cross/Blue Shield format. There will be increased employee contributions to health care and more flexible spending accounts.

Fr. Cunningham also emphasized that PC will con-

There will be a Benefits Fair at the end of the semester, run by the Human Resources Department, at which College employees can review each medical, dental, and retirement plan.

"simply cannot contribute the same amount of money they have contributed in the past" to the different employee plans. "We simply don't have a choice," he continued, "We have to take proactive steps."

Fr. Cunningham went on to describe the cost saving actions that the College plans to implement. There will be no more "across the board" pay raises. A "phased in" retirement plan is proposed, which mandates that an employee must stay with the college for 5 years before receiving full retirement benefits. The college will no longer continue the practice

to continue to monitor "the tides of change" in health care benefits and will make revisions as they are called for. There is currently an "open - door policy" for all to offer suggestions and ideas. It is important, he feels, to promote open communication between employees and the administration to modify the changes to fit the employees' needs. In fact, there will be a Benefits Fair at the end of the semester, run by the Human Resources Department, at which College employees can review each medical, dental, and retirement plan.

"The dialogue begins now," Fr. Cunningham concluded.

PC Dance Company Performs For Local Schools

The Providence College Dance Company will be performing in five elementary schools during late March and early April. The 35-minute lecture-demonstration is entitled "Making Dances," and it was created for children in grades Kindergarten through six. The show explains some of the different ways that dancers go about making dances, and includes examples of ballet, modern dance, street

dance, and improvisation.

The 10 member company was chosen by audition in January and includes students with varied backgrounds and training in dance. The dances in the show were choreographed by guest artist Heather Ahern, student choreographer Laurie Tautkas, Director Wendy Oliver and members of the company. The Company includes Leanne Abild, Kristie Blais, Tawnya

Burke, Lauren Cosgrove, Lisa Crossley, Hollie DuFresne, Maureen Flanagan, Lisa Poirier, Jennifer Roberts, and Danielle Wells. "Making Dances" will also be performed on campus in late March or early April.

On Thursday, April 1, at 1 p.m. and 1:45 p.m., the PC Dance Company will be at Veazie St. Elementary School.

The Faculty Talks Back

Reaction to the Compensation Cuts

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March 17th meeting of the Faculty Senate. She explained that the Faculty Welfare Committee made several attempts to meet with the administration before the announcement last Wednesday, yet the meeting times were changed at the last minute.

Both President Cunningham and Edward Caron, Vice President for Institutional Relations have indicated that faculty input into the final decision on the cuts is welcome. Mr. Caron explained that, "We want to open discussions with faculty and staff to review the reasoning behind this..."

Is the faculty reaction premature? Not according to Dr. Colby who is less than optimistic that the faculty's voice will be heard. Citing last fall's controversy over the faculty

hiring policy, Colby said, "This administration does not value it's faculty and prefers that it is not involved in decision making."

In response to Colby's remarks Pres. Cunningham said on Wednesday, "I don't propose to exchange views with Dr. Colby in *The Cowl* or any other newspaper. His unenlightened comments do not surprise me."

Professor Joseph D'Adamo of the Accounting Department analyzed the presentation from his financial background and considered President Cunningham's statement that "We are not here today because we have a financial crisis. We are here today to review measures to prevent a financial crisis." D'Adamo questioned the college's financially proactive stance by saying, "To me there's just not

enough information here to make any solid judgments about the financial health of Providence College now or to support any conclusions about what should be done in the future."

In reference to Professor D'Adamo's remarks the financial crisis could be a decline in the enrollment of the college. Mr. Joseph Cianciolo, C.P.A. of Peat Marwick stated that financial aid funding must be raised to continuously attract students. He explained the school must, "find every dollar (it) can to increase scholarships and financial aid; and continue to attract a constant number of qualified students."

Undoubtedly, the controversy over the cuts is just starting and faculty and staff will test the President's promise that "the dialogue begins now."

LIVE FROM PROVIDENCE

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- Free Pool and Games in Game Room
- Saturday Night Live playing on T.V. monitors

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**Saturday, March 27, 1993
9:30pm -2:30am
in Salvin Center**

Wanted: Career Assistants

The Career Planning Service of the Student Development Center is looking for students who wish to volunteer as Career Assistants for next year.



WHAT ARE CAREER ASSISTANTS?

Career Assistants are a student group affiliated with the Career Planning Service of the Student Development Center. They receive training on issues related to the career planning process and present career-related workshops to their fellow students.

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- * Learn career planning and job search strategies
- * Assist fellow students with career information
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INTERESTED SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS CAN PICK UP AN APPLICATION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN THE STUDENT DEVELOPMENT CENTER, SLAVIN 209.

** DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION: THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1993 **

Scholarships For Environmental Studies

Two college scholarships totaling \$4,000 are available from Providence Gas Company for the 1993-94 academic year, the company announced on March 18. For the fourth consecutive year, Providence Gas offers two \$2,000 scholarships to students who have selected courses of study that indicate a planned career in environmental management or research. The application deadline is July 1, 1993.

The students must be entering their sophomore, junior or senior year in a bachelor's degree program at an accredited college in the United States in September 1993, and they must live in Providence Gas customer households.

A committee comprising representatives of the Audubon Society of Rhode Island, Save The Bay, Inc., the Rhode Island Department of Education and the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management will review all applications and select the winners. Providence Gas will announce the winners by August 15, 1993.

Applications are available in the financial aid offices of most colleges and universities and also at the Providence Gas Company Offices in Westerly, the Audubon Society of Rhode Island, Save the Bay, RI Dept. of Education and the RI Department of Environmental Management.

For more information on the scholarship program, call the Community Relations Department of the Providence Gas Company, 272-5040, extension 2491.

Providence Gas Company is Rhode Island's largest natural gas distribution company serving more than 156,000 customers in 25 Rhode Island cities and towns.

ROTC Annual Ball To Be Held At Omni-Biltmore

The Providence College Department of Military Science will sponsor its annual ROTC (Reserve Officers' Training Corps) Program Patriot Battalion Military Ball on March 26, 1993 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Omni-Biltmore Hotel Ballroom in Providence.

The ball, which is planned primarily by the ROTC cadets with assistance from members of the Department of Military Science, is held to familiarize cadets with military social functions, protocol, and the customs of military service, and to provide an opportunity for cadets and their guests to gather in a social setting. Senior class cadets will wear their Army blue uniforms; all other cadets will wear their Class A uniforms.

At this time, the following

guests are expected to attend:

Rev. John F. Cunningham, O.P., President, Providence College

- Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Peterman (He is assistant dean of undergraduate programs at Bryant College)

- Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Fistori (He is director of university records, University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth)

- Mr. and Mrs. N. Andre Trudeau (He is the commander of the Rhode Island National Guard)

- Mr. and Mrs. John Capalbo (He is the commander of the 76th Training Division, West Hartford, CT)

- Colonel and Mrs. Samuel A. Biank, Jr. (he is the commander of the First Brigade, First ROTC Region)

- Reverend J. Stuart McPhail, Vice President for Student Ser-

vices, Providence College

- Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Osborne (He is the director of cooperative education at Roger Williams University)

- Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Butkus (He is the director of AT&T International Business Services Division and a PC '73 alumnus)

- Professor and Mrs. Richard Deasy (He is associate professor of history at Providence College)

Approximately 122 ROTC cadets and their guests are expected to attend the ball. (There will be approximately 150-175 people in attendance.) The cadets are students at Providence College, Bryant College, Rhode Island College, University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth, Brown University, and Johnson & Wales University.

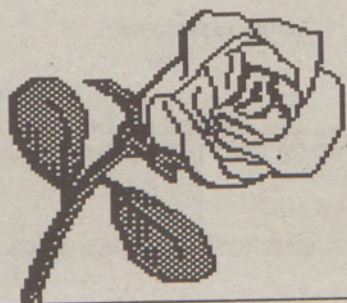
SLAVIN NIGHT LIVE

On Saturday night, March 27th from 9:30-2:30, an event is happening in Slavin that is a "first-ever." The Slavin Center will be open all evening with a number of events going on, including a comedy show, a coffeehouse with live entertainment and open mike, a dance featuring WDOM DJs, a "cafe" serving desserts and coffee, free pool and games, etc., etc., etc.! This is the alternative to the bar scene that many students are "craving" in their social life. Be there on Saturday for a great night, and hopefully many more like it in the future.



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The Office of Residence Life announces the process for:

Squatter's Rights

"Squatter's Rights" simply means that if you meet certain criteria you will be allowed to live in your current room again next year.

The criteria for Squatting are as follows:

- 1) You currently live in a traditional residence hall
- 2) Have placed a \$150.00 housing deposit
- 3) Are planning to live with ALL of your present roommates next year
- 4) Are in good standing with the Office of Residence Life
- 5) For special circumstances where all of your roommates are not returning see your Hall Director

If you meet the above criteria you qualify for the right to squat in your present room next year.

Squatter's Sign-up Process

Each Hall staff will conduct a squatter sign-up process for their building. The time and place will be announced by the staff through a posting in the residence hall. It is up to you to ask and keep your eyes open for the announcement.

The process will take place, in each residence hall, between March 29th and April 7th.

If you have any questions please see your Hall Director.

Squatters will not be allowed a roomchange until second semester.

Eliminating the Headaches

by Jennifer MacCallum
Asst. Editorial Editor

Walking down the hallowed halls of Harkins this past week, I joyfully glided by the long line of underclassmen waiting to register for Fall semester classes. Just one semester ago, I too was engaged with this process which could be either exhilarating or frustrating, depending on what lottery number you received.

Overall, I had a mixed opinion of the entire registration process. Though I found that the process improved somewhat with the introduction of the phone-in system, I often pondered whether or not the entire system should be changed. My biggest complaint with the process was the fact that business students were allowed to pre-register in courses they needed to complete their major. The question I would like to raise is why can't other majors pre-register? It's not that I think

business related majors shouldn't be allowed to pre-register, but I think all majors should have this option because theoretically you could be a business major, pre-register in your major and still get an early time for regular registration. Meanwhile other majors, especially those with late dates, have to scramble to not only get classes in their major but to also fill electives.

That brings me to the next point I would like to address: registration numbers. Lottery numbers given out in order of seniority (last year to first year) would seem to be the fairest way to conduct registration, since some colleges make students wait in a first come, first serve line to register. But we all know that the lottery system is essentially a luck process—some students are fortunate enough to get early numbers all the time, some never get anything but late numbers, and the rest break even. Perhaps other alternatives could be researched, such as a registration (still by se-

niority) in alphabetical order. For example, students in a given graduating class would be broken down alphabetically into three groups (one for each day of registration) and then assigned their lottery number. Each alphabetical group would be given their day of registration in a rotating basis. Thus this method would ensure that everyone would get a fair chance at not only receiving the best registration times, but also the worst.

Another inevitable problem associated with registration is the fact that many students, for a variety of reasons, try to register before their pre-designated time. Even with the new phone registration system, which will not allow students to register before their given time, people still try to cut the line when they register in Harkins. Now I am not a proponent of eliminating registration in Harkins, but I do feel that a student's ID card should be scanned-in at the registration room to ensure that the student is registering

at the proper time. Exceptions could be made to students with legitimate *written* excuses, i.e. exams, etc.

Finally, maybe the registrar's office could provide a very useful service to students registering for classes by somehow developing a software program that would allow students to call up on the college computer system an updated *descriptive* listing of courses being offered during the semester. Ideally this listing could contain a summary of each course, in the words of the professor instructing the class. This summary would be especially helpful to students trying to choose a particular course with different sections (i.e. introductory courses, etc.). With these mini-explanations, students could rely less on their peers' evaluations of particular classes and understand more about what a given professor will be covering in a particular semester.

Currently in the course registration book, listings of new courses being offered during

the semester are given. Along with course summaries, perhaps the registrar's office could provide listings of courses that aren't yet majors, minors or programs. For example, many students are interested in Women's studies, Communications and Afro-American studies. For example, if a student were interested in Women's studies, the student would have to look under a variety of different departments (English, Psychology, Political Science, Philosophy, Art, etc.) in order to find complementing classes. A condensed listing of unofficial programs would definitely be beneficial to interested students.

Even though I am graduating in May, I don't want remaining students to deal with some of the same problems I had to deal with when I registered for classes. By changing the registration system now, this twice-yearly necessity can be made better for all.

CATHOLIC?

by Michael Thompson
Contributing Writer

I will not try to call into question the Catholic values which are taught at Providence College here because that is not my intent. I intend to question rather its Catholic tradition as Fr. Paul J. Philibert, OP describes it in his essay "Providence College and the Dominican Tradition" in which he states, "While Providence College is a Catholic institution, it will only realize its destiny insofar as it is also a Catholic (that is, aspiring to be genuinely universal) community as well." I feel that Providence College has failed miserably in this attempt, if any real attempt has been made. It has failed in the courses it offers, the students that it tries to attract, and in the abandonment of its original mission.

First of all are the courses which Providence College offers and requires. Later in the aforementioned article Fr. Philibert states "As the world faces the reshaping of Europe, the emergence of the nations of the southern hemisphere, and the challenges of entering a new millennium, a solid historical and cultural base for training future leaders will be more necessary than ever. Mutual understanding among peoples will have to be built upon mutual respect, and that can only come from solid historical and cultural study." But the question remains, "Does our curriculum provide this?"

Although every individual is entitled to their own opinions, I have been forced to come to the conclusion that the answer is a resounding "No!" The whole core of the school lies in the foundations laid in the Western Civ program, but what is this study of? Does it lead to such a "mutual understanding among peoples" as referred to above? How can it when it excludes from its studies the majority of peoples of the world? And there are even more serious implications than this. The exclusion of other cultures necessarily leads to the unconscious acceptance, on the part of many students, of the belief that these cultures are inferior. This may not be an intentional result, but by saying that other cultures are not important enough to be required while one is important enough to spend such an inordinate amount of time on leads students to certain conclusions. Furthermore, beyond the question of Civ, is the question of other courses which are offered by the school. There are very few which are offered dealing with other cultures and many of those on this topic which are present in the student course book are not offered frequently enough to satisfy the demand for them. As a result the college makes it almost impossible to learn about any non-European culture at all and this does not

lead to the "solid historical and cultural study" referred to above.

The next question that I would like to raise is whether such a "mutual respect" for other peoples can be a merely intellectual experience devoid of contact from these peoples? Once again I feel that the answer is "No!" I personally have been blessed with the unique opportunity of meeting people of different backgrounds than myself at PC because one of my roommates freshman year fit this description. Right now I believe that the opportunities which this opened for me have led to friendships and experiences which have been the greater part of my education here at PC, more than tenfold all of the classroom education that I have received here. That is saying a lot to any who know me and the fact that, as a second semester sophomore I have attempted to go out of my way to learn as much as possible and will have completed a total of seventy-six credits since my enrollment here. Unfortunately, the background of this school does not allow many students such an opportunity. The majority of the students at this school come from similar backgrounds. This does not mean that there is anything wrong with us, but it does severely limit the opportunities which we have of seeing the value of persons of different backgrounds than ourselves. We see only a small portion of what the world has to offer and our ideas and abilities are lim-

ited as a consequence. How can we expect to train "future leaders" when we do not even understand the people whom we are trying to lead?

The final thing which I would like to mention is a unique fact that I feel shows failure on the part of the college to take advantage of an opportunity and to fulfill a commitment. In the February 1993 issue of Providence Magazine for alumni there is an excerpt from the Provincial's Petition for Papal Permission to found Providence College, February 24, 1917 which reads, "Most Holy Father, the Prior Provincial of the Province of St. Joseph of the Order of Preachers humbly requests your Holiness the canonical erection of a house to educate in piety and letters the youth of the city of Providence..." This shows that what the school was founded for was to serve the youth of Providence and this purpose was served in these early years of the college. My father was one of these Providence College students who came from the city of Providence and was the first of his family to attend a college. Providence College provided for him an unique opportunity to receive an education that might not have otherwise been possible. Somewhere though, this purpose of the school was lost. As is stated on almost any tour of the school given by the Friars Club, it is no longer a "suitcase school" and the students come

from all over. This is the truth, but why? The college makes only token efforts to try to attract the students of the city of Providence. In so doing, we miss out on the important opportunity of seeing different aspects of the world around us and seeing the world through a different perspective. Furthermore, it seems to me that the college has abandoned the people that it was originally dedicated to serve. Once again I feel that it is important to scrutinize the motivations behind this movement and wonder if it is not related to the change in the background of those people who live in the city of Providence.

For the reasons that I have mentioned above, I feel that it is imperative for Providence College (the students, alumni, and faculty) to take a good look at the direction in which the college is heading. We must question the ideas which are being taught and look at the important opportunities which are missing. Some people love to hold on to the traditions of the school, but it seems to me that some of the most important traditions of the school are being neglected. At the same time, the school may be failing to move forward with the times and is leaving us unprepared for a meaningful role in the future world. In the global society of the modern world, are we really being prepared through a Catholic education? If the answer is "No!" how should we respond?

PC Students Homeless For A Night

by Suzanne Gaudrault
Contributing Writer

On Tuesday, March 23, five Providence College students, Tom Rowley, Joanne Ruggiero, Jen Bozzuto, John Scherer and I spent the night in front of the Federal Building to participate in a nationwide sleep out. We were protesting Clinton's economic plan which does not help those at the very bottom of society who need it most: the homeless.

The five of us arrived downtown at 10:00 eager to spend a night under the stars. For the first hour, we did a lot of talking with some of the homeless and waved to passing cars. By 11:00, it began to rain and many of our new friends left for the shelters. We stuck it out in the wetness for about an hour (or what seemed like an hour), then headed to the sheltered benches at the bus stop. From there we talked, tried to

keep ourselves warm under our wet sleeping bags, and watched the rain. At around 3:30 we did a jig to a fluteophone to get the blood back into our feet, then spent the remainder of the night feeling cold and uncomfortable. When the sun started to rise at 5:30, we decided it was time to get home for a few hours of sleep.

The five of us went downtown for many reasons. One was for the political aspect which was being advocated. Another was to talk to the people in order to understand their views on society. Finally, we wanted to see first-hand what it's like to be homeless and have to sleep on the streets. We weren't expecting it to rain but that proved to us the difficulty of the life of the homeless.

It's true that all homeless people have a story. David is 29 and has been living at Amos House for three months now. He used to work at the submarine plant in Grotton CT until

he was laid off. He rented an apartment for \$600 a month and owned a white Huskie. David has nothing now.

Tex used to work for the homeless as well as owned a ranch in Florida. He came up here to be with a woman, but one thing led to another and he ended up on the streets. Mike looks about the same age as I and is a little wild. His parents kicked him out when he was 16 so he got a job and did a lot of drinking and smoking weed. He somehow got into trouble with the law and lost his job because he had to spend so much time doing mandatory community service. Now when he's lucky he does some landscaping and, until he lost his car, he would go to the ocean and dig for clams.

All of these men are sad and angry but David is especially bitter. This Vietnam Vet is now very anti-America and was even mad at me at first for being a student and not a

homeless person. I don't blame him for being upset with the raw deal life has dealt him.

David told me that he wished everyone could spend a night on the streets, a day without food, and a night in a shelter. Maybe after experiencing homelessness, the people of America would realize there's a problem out there, and demand a solution. I haven't tried everything that David spoke of, but I would recommend that all of you try sleeping on the streets for a night. I know that I will never take my warm apartment for granted again.

One final point—I'm sorry that I missed classes on Wednesday morning, but I believe I have a good excuse. I think I learned more from these three men and my night in the cold than I have from many of my professors here at PC.

Letters to the Editor

A "Moral Lesson" For The Cowl

To the Editor:

When I submitted my recent letter (printed in your March 18 issue), I asked you to print it exactly as I had written it. But you omitted a few lines, making hash out of several of my sentences and skewing the points I was trying to make. "I've always hated our feel-good, learn-little education system. I believe that we have a duty to alleviate the suffering which must accompany a society based on enterprise and risk," and so on. "One can be a fine linguist or political theorist without knowing Lao-Tzu than not" is thoroughly ungrammatical. This sentence should read, "One can be a fine linguist or political theorist without knowing Lao-Tzu, although it is certainly a better thing to have read Lao-Tzu than not."

The moral: pay a little more attention to the details of your task. In our world of false radicalism there are still a few of us who think that if students could be taught to diagram sentences (or to write one sentence worth diagramming), that would be a revolutionary event indeed.

Tony Esolen
Department of English

Know Thyself, Professor

To the Editor:

We assume from his letter that Dr. Esolen is less concerned with any particular argument than with self-indulgence, telling us how many languages he speaks and letting us know how high minded he is. However, one of the tenets of Western philosophy that Dr. Esolen might find worthwhile to investigate is that old saw "to know thyself." If you voted for Ronald Reagan, and if you think everyone in America has an equal chance at the

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Letters to the Editor

good life, and if you spout syrupy, Field of Dreams paraphrases about how you believe in "daring and sweat" etc. as though you were the last red-blooded American, then you might as well stop the rhetorical posturing. Yes, Dr. Esolen, you really are a conservative. Though in your letter you seem uncomfortable reconciling yourself to that fact, as though it were an ugly shoe you found yourself wearing, wondering how in the world such a clunky thing could fit your pretty, white, holier-than-thou, above-the-fray-of-politics foot.

For conservatives will blather about how they believe in "scoreboards whose numbers are turned by hand" but they won't consider that someone actually has to turn those numbers for a living at minimum wage and without insurance or health care. Or that such low-paying jobs are statistically the lot held by Afro-America and Hispanics who also tend to live in areas of greater poverty and so are less privileged to quality education.

Your assumption that there are no Japanese, Indian, Chinese, or African linguists or political philosophers unsteeped in Plato shows the circularity of your logic and the insularity of your argument. What you prove, in fact, is that you, yourself, would benefit from some courses in Eastern philosophy. Afterwards, there will be time to bone up on the influence of African thought, both philosophical and scientific, on what you have come to call "Western culture."

Sincerely,
The Lao Tzu Group
(Name withheld upon request.)

Hunger Strike Against Parietals?

To the Editor:

"Behold the turtle, he makes progress when he sticks his neck out."

—James Bryant Conant
Welcome to 1993, and Providence College, the home of the most sexist population in America. That is subject for debate. If you are like

myself (and a few friends of mine), you get angry every time your younger sister comes to visit and you have to place her in the wholesome abode of a female friend of yours, so a stranger can monitor her visit of PC, rather than you, her brother. And entering the female dorms (prisons) is worse if you are a younger brother. Myself, I say don't invite younger siblings to visit a school that won't recognize and respect their individual rights when they enter college. In addition to the disrespect that the PC administration exhibits everyday, why is it that one may enter PC at age 18, as a freshman, and be subject to the archaic rules of parietals, and as soon as one is 20, and a junior, the on-campus regulations are put aside so one can live across the hall from members of the opposite sex? These are questions I put to the reader.

In the past, when I have visited the more realistic colleges of my friends (St. Joes- Philly, Fordham U.), I've seen that so few colleges treat their residents as if they were very young children who need to be monitored. When I left for college, it was for the reason that I would be educated in the many aspects of the world, so I would be prepared for it. Here at PC, we always hear the upper echelons speaking of respect of the property of our neighbors and the school. What about the respect of each and every student who attends PC by the administration? Since I've been in college, I've learned to do many things for myself, but I have yet to feel the responsibility of making my own decisions when it comes to matters like who may be in my room at 12:00 am, or not. It seems that someone in the administration thinks that he is my parent and my keeper. Forgive my lax tongue, but nobody has the right or responsibility to tell me when I may be treading on unsound ground. My living habits are for me to establish and abide by. The consequences of those habits are, once again, mine to accept and abide by.

I wonder, does any PC student think that they are re-

ceiving a well-rounded education? The responsibility of any college or university is to train and educate its student body to be prepared for the secular world. Tradition or no tradition, the world outside this campus is not catholic, and sometimes not Christian. Is every PC student ready to accept that world? I think not. I feel cheated. I feel wronged. Every time you are in a resident's room for a CIV study group, and that group is broken up because of the time, you, my friends, have been wronged.

The argument is that female residents are concerned about the security that would be available to them when the resident halls go co-ed. Call your friends at BC, Notre Dame, Fairfield, UMass and Fordham. Those schools allow co-ed living arrangements. You will find that they don't worry about strangers entering a building, when one has to leave an ID at the desk and be admitted. They especially don't worry about Parietals. Any female, or male student at PC, who is interested in sexism should examine the fact that security guards and desk workers are not required in male halls, which in itself is a sexist approach to the safety of students on-campus.

These are my words and

my opinions, I take responsibility for the "earth-shaking" news they bring. I also know that this opinion is not only mine. People can complain all that they want, but until they voice their opinions, and demand their rights, no one does it for them. In the '60s there was a tradition of a dress-code (like in high school), here at PC. One student broke that tradition with growing his side-burns (then in-style), a little longer than some people saw it necessary. He was not permitted to enter class, and he responded by not eating. He went on a hunger-strike outside Raymond. The administration responded by putting the dress-code to rest. The point stands, whether this story is true or not. Perhaps it is time for another hunger-strike. What will you do?

Sincerely,
Michael Brennan '95

Response to the New Faculty Benefit Plan

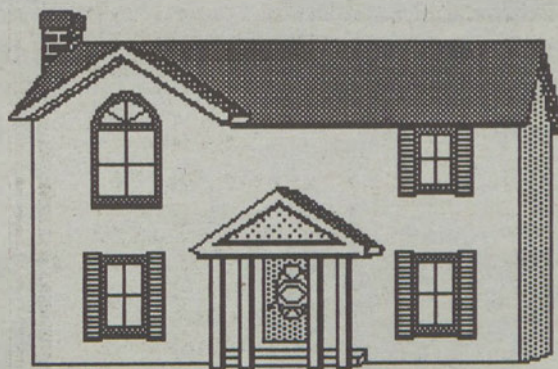
To the Editor:

In the mid 1970's, the most Reverend Vincent de Covesnongle, O.P., the master general of the Dominican Order, delivered a speech at Providence College. He

called upon those who feel they know the truth to speak even though such an act can be "difficult and costly." The truth surpasses the individual heights of any one person and it must be shared with all." Having read that PC faculty is irked by proposed cutbacks in the March 19, 1993 edition of the Providence Journal-Bulletin, I admire psychology professor John Colby's truthful comments. He said, "the proposed cuts produced a very strong reaction on campus. What upset faculty the most was the fact that there was no consultation. President John Cunningham, O.P., has accepted as his advisors outside business consultants who I believe have an antagonism toward labor and the faculty. They describe our benefits as a 'Rolls-Royce.'"

Mr. Colby resigned his Senate Vice-Presidency saying it makes no sense to participate in an organization stripped of any power by the administration. Since PC faculty members would have undoubtedly volunteered their consulting services and since the college is advocating an austerity program, one can't help but wonder if Father Cunningham's outside business consultants received a remuneration for their services. If so, then how much were they paid?
Most sincerely,
Russell P. DemoE

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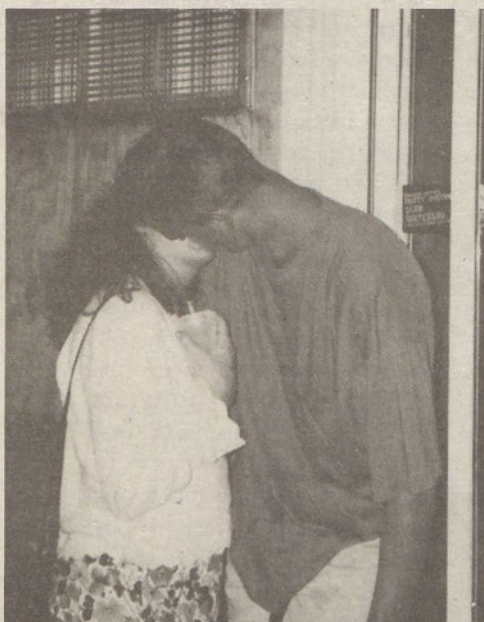


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What is the most disgusting thing you've eaten late night?



Kara Kiernan '94 and Lynn Krawczyk '94: Macaroni & Cheese, with peppers, pickle juice, mustard, relish and ranch dressing.



Eileen "Chi Chi" Cuadhy '93 and Bob from Michigan: I can't talk now, my mouth is full.



Rusty Newell '93 and Annette Monahan '93: Nino's Chili Pie topped off with sour cream and a raw onion with my roommate Chip running around naked.



Gia Lombardi '93 and Laura Serfilippi '95: Oreo Cookies in French onion dip.



Jeff Devron '94 and Fran Kane '94: Three dollars and 25 cents in change and we split a bar of soap!



Stacy Buonone '95 and Jill Murphy '95: If it's that bad we usually don't remember!



Julie Femino '93 and Sandra Fitzpatrick '93: "Erin Connolly Special" - Frosted Flakes with chocolate syrup and Ed's left-over pizza.



Suzanne Nally '93 and Andrew Blanch '96: A gray thing and bugs.



Colin Baerman '95: Dead roses from February.

Rick & Dave: We are unable to respond as we always retire immediately after our local Six O'Clock News.

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Class of '94 Stepping Out in Style, Once Again

by Jim Kane
Vice President, Class of '94

Are you tired of doing the same old thing every week-end? Are you frostbitten from walking house to house to see your friends in this weather? If you have answered yes to these questions, what you need is to come to the Class of '94 Club Nite!

Since we had so much fun last time, the junior class will be going back to Carpano's this Saturday, March 27th. For those of you who went last time, you remember what a blast it was. You might ask how such a successful event

could be improved? Simple, you expand it! For the same bargain price of only \$10.00, Club Nite will be running an entire hour longer!

On Saturday, Club Nite will run from 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Buses will begin leaving Huxley Gates at 6:30 p.m. The last bus to leave will be at 8:00 p.m. Each bus will make two round trips once they are fully loaded. Be careful not to miss the bus!

Other events planned for the future include a clambake with a possible band scheduled to play as you dance the night away. Keep your eyes open for more details of future events!

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'93 Club Nite April 1st

by Gia Lombardi
Class of '93 Secretary

Seniors it is now past mid-term and we have less than half a semester left (reality slap). Stop kidding yourself we will be graduating in a few sort weeks. 193 Days and 93 Days are now both memories yet each was a huge success. Now is the time to spend with our friends and casual acquaintances (people we'll never see again). Commencement bids are also on sale and we can all agree a slight bit expensive. So if you don't want to spend a lot of money and want to be with the class of 1993 come to Peaches (the old Rusty Scupper) on April 1st (9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.) for a class of 1993 Club Night. The cost is only \$3 per person, which includes hord'oeuvres, shuttle buses, and dancing to a D.J. After April 1st we can all look forward to a possible pig roast. Don't forget the Class of 1993 is also now sponsoring a T-Shirt contest for Done With College. First prize will be fifty dollars. Enjoy the rest of the semester and look for upcoming events! Party on!

Upcoming Spring Events Freshman Class Officers Hard at Work

by Chris Caruso
Class of '96 Representative

Our first year here at PC is rapidly coming to a close. Although there have not been too many successful events held by the freshman class so far (We did have the cook-out!!!), the officers are busy planning activities for the spring.

On Sunday, May 12th, we will be traveling up to Fenway, precluding any hurricanes or other natural disasters, to see the Red Sox take on the California Angels. This is an afternoon game, and tickets will go on sale to all classes in the coming weeks.

Our class will also begin selling Class of '96

sweatshirts (blue and gray) in the next few weeks. The sweatshirts will be around forty dollars, and will be sold in lower Slavin.

One other event that we have just begun to plan is a white water rafting trip. This trip is being planned with the sophomore class.

If you have any questions or comments about these events, or anything else the class is doing, you can stop by the Congress Office at any time. One of us will usually be there, and if not feel free to leave a note in one of our mailboxes. Also, if you are interested you may attend the meetings. Congress meetings are held every Monday, in Slavin 203, at 6:00 p.m. These meetings are open to all!

Class of '94

Club Nite at Carpano's
Saturday, March 27th
7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
Buses leave Huxley Gate
from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00
p.m.
Tickets are \$10 in Lower
Slavin. Don't miss out!



Class of 1993



- *T-Shirt Contest* - The class of '93 is now accepting tee shirt ideas for Done With College.

There is a \$50.00 prize if we use your idea.
Submit to the Congress Office
located in Lower Slavin, room 109.

- *Slideshow Picture Drop-off* - Seniors! This is your last chance to drop pictures off for the Commencement Slideshow. Picture drop-off is in Lower Slavin from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., March 31st and April 1st.

CLUB NIGHT
at Peaches (formerly Rusty Scupper)
April 1st
9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.
Tickets \$3.00.

Pastoral Council

Elections—

Chairpeople applications are due April 5th. Interviews will be held after Easter break. All are welcome to apply!

MS Swimming—

Volunteers needed for Thursday afternoons from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. We'll meet in the back of Slavin and transportation will be provided to the CCRI pool.

Election Information... And So Much More

by Jennifer Meehan
Executive Vice President

It's Election time again!! Make sure to vote in the 1993 Executive Board Elections on April 1st from 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. in lower Slavin. The class Elections process will begin on Thursday, April 15th at 4:00 p.m. If you are interested in planning class events, working on Congress committees (Food, Public Relations, Club/Organizations, Elections, Academic Affairs, Students Life, Course Description, Bill of Rights, and Finance) doing volunteer work, discussing and taking a stand on campus issues - **RUN FOR OFFICES!!**

For four years I have written and read articles about student apathy. I've decided to take a positive stance. Rather than complain about students' lack of interest "in

getting involved", I would like to encourage those with the interest to run for office. Student organizations need to keep in touch with how fellow students feel about PC and campus life. They need fresh ideas and outlooks to be sure they know what the student body wants. So, take the Class Elections as an opportunity to represent your views and those who elect you. Also, students going abroad next year, look for a letter in your P.O. Box around April 5th. The Elections Committee, myself, and John Ryan will be sending you information about your new opportunity to run for office while you are abroad. (Congress just passed this amendment). Further information will be available at the April 15th meeting.

Lastly some events to look forward to include: ACC dinner at El

Morocco's this Friday, March 26th; Aquinas BDB this Friday, March 26th; Slavin-nite this Saturday, March 27th from 9:30 p.m. - 2:30 a.m.; Open Congress meeting Monday, March 29th at 6:00 p.m.; Junior Class Clubnite this Saturday, March 27th; Senior Class Clubnite, Thursday, April 1st; Sophomore Clubnite, Saturday April 3rd; Clubs/Organizations Jail-a-Thon to raise money for charity, March 31st; and OCRO cleanup, April 4th. Stop in the Congress office or the Club Room to see other future events on each office's "Events Calendar". Or stop in on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. to a Congress Meeting. You can hear about upcoming events, and issues like getting a PC sign on Route 95, the hiring of a grievance officer to hear sexual harassment cases, and other issues here on campus.

Financial Update Clubs' and Organizations' Balances

by Lisa Walsh
Executive Treasurer

Here are the account balances for all clubs and organizations as of March 18, 1993. As you can see, many of these clubs have a lot of money left to spend. I close my books on April 21st, therefore any purchase after that date will not be approved for payment and will become the responsibility of the club members.

A few clubs have come to me and have asked if there was money left over in any of the accounts so that they could use it. It is hard for me to predict if money will remain in any of the accounts, so if the treasurer or president of a club

knows that it will not be able to legitimately spend all of its allocated funds, please let me know so the proper arrangements can be made. Transferring money to a club that needs it is more preferable than having it all eliminated at the end of the year.

I have just one more thing to say - elections are coming up and I really encourage anyone who's interested to run. Win or lose, it's a great opportunity to meet people and really get involved with the PC student body... not to mention a lot of fun! So think about it - it could be one of the best decisions you'll make at PC! Registration is on April 22nd for General Elections (beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Congress office). I hope to see you then.

STUDENT CONGRESS MINUTES

The minutes for the March 22nd meeting are as follows:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Refunds for Big East tickets only up until Friday
- Leadership 2000 Conference on campus, April 3rd from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

COMMITTEES:

Academic Affairs: Ann has

been working to get PC signs on Route 95 and 146. **Course Description:** All mailboxes have been stuffed, and thanks to committee.

Ethics: Thanks to those that helped with *Peaceful Coexistence*. The reunion was a success for all who attended.

Finance: Balances posted.

Elections: Nomination period has begun for executive board. Thanks to committee for all their help.

Public Relations: Thanks to all those who distributed *Peaceful Coexistence*.

BOARDS:

IAB: Softball rosters play as soon as it dries up.

BOP: "Come Back, Little Sheba" on Sunday, March 28th at 2:00 p.m.

OCRO: Cleanup on April 4th.

Residence Board: Aquinas BDB: Friday, 4:45 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Pre-Ball

ACC: Dinner on Friday, \$7.00 tickets.

COA: Committee approved a sexual harassment policy. A sexual grievance officer will have no responsibility to the college and therefore will be unbiased. Changes in next year's academic calendar: Christmas Break ends January 24th, and Spring Break is March 12th-20th.

CLASSES:

'93: Club Night at The Peaches Pit on Thursday, April 1st.

'94: Club Night this Saturday from 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at Carpano's, tickets are \$10.

'95: JRW picture drop-off Wednesday to Thursday in lower Slavin.

'96: Board in office is finally decorated.

Looking for a Career Alternative?

Representatives from The Pallotti Center of Boston will be on campus Tuesday, March 30th, to meet with any students interested in pursuing full-time volunteer ministry for the summer months or after graduation.

Carrie Thompson, Director of The Pallotti Center, and Kathy Moore, PC 1992 graduate, will be available to speak to students during the day and in an information session.

The information session will focus on:

- Volunteer opportunities - national and international
- How to select a program
- What to expect from a volunteer experience
- Benefits - practical considerations
- First-hand volunteer experience

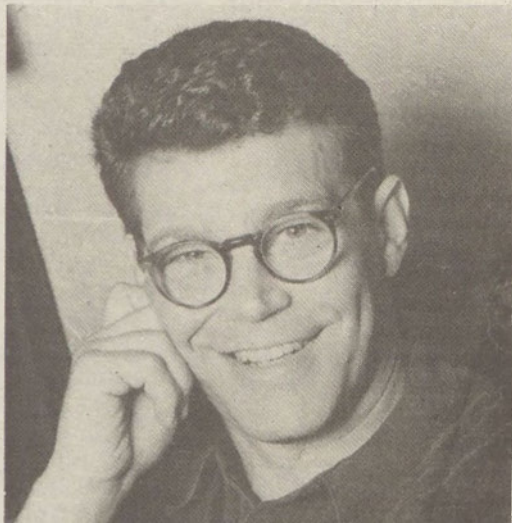
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"I'm Good Enough, I'm Smart Enough, and Doggone it, People Like Me!"

Lecture Committee brings SNL's own Al Franken to PC!



At left--Al Franken, writer and featured performer from *Saturday Night Live*. (Photo courtesy of Brian Winthrop International, Ltd.)



At right--Al Franken as Stuart Smalley (Photo courtesy of Brian Winthrop International, Ltd.)

by Kathy A. Parrella '94
BOP Correspondent

Al Franken is currently a writer, featured player, and co-producer of *Saturday Night Live*. Al was there at the show's inception back in 1975, and worked as a writer (winning three Emmy's) and then as a performer throughout the original five seasons, leaving along with producer-creator Lorne Michaels in 1980. However, unable to stay away, Al returned again—along with Michaels—in 1986.

Al began his career during his time at The Blake School in Hopkins, Minnesota where he met and became friends with Tom Davis. Buoyed by the success of their morning chapel announcements, the two formed the comedy team of Franken & Davis. F & D performed at a local cabaret called Dudley Riggs' Brave New Workshop and decided to tentatively consider making a career out of comedy. During their college years, the two attended separate schools, but in the summers they were back together delighting Minneapolis audiences.

In August of 1972, F & D hitchhiked to Los Angeles where they performed at a fledgling comedy club called the Comedy Store. They were hot and decided to make a go of show business. On weekends, F & D bombed down to New York to work at the Improv with the likes of Jay Leno, Freddie Prinze, and Robert Klein.

After graduation, they moved out to Los Angeles where F & D worked the Comedy Store and started getting college gigs. The Comedy Store didn't pay at the time, and the gigs were few and far between, so the two took odd jobs. Desperate for any kind of work in comedy, they submitted a writing sample to a

William Morris agent. The agent sent it to Lorne Michaels who was putting together an experimental late night comedy show in New York. Michaels hired Franken and Davis, and the two flew to New York in July of 1975. *Saturday Night Live* premiered three months later, and the rest, as they say, is history.

Dan Aykroyd has called Franken and Davis the "creative backbone of the original *Saturday Night Live*." And indeed, F & D were responsible for many of the show's most memorable moments. "Nixon's Final Moments", "Point-Counterpoint", "Julia Child Bleeding to Death", the commercial parody for "Royal Deluxe II" (with a rabbi performing a circumcision in the backseat), "The Pepsi Syndrome—Two Mile Island", and "Theodoric of York, Medieval Barber" were among their contributions. During the first five years of the show, F & D made eighteen appearances—more than any stand-up comedian or team at the time or since.

Franken and Davis left SNL in 1980 along with Michaels and the rest of the original creative group that had made the show what it was. Al and Tom continued to work with Michaels, writing TV specials for NBC and screenplays for Warner Brothers and MGM. Meanwhile, they became a fixture on the college circuit with their act, and in 1982 their concert at Stockton State College was broadcast on Showtime.

In 1985, after a few less than successful attempts at prime time offerings and movie screenplays, Al and Tom returned to *Saturday Night Live*, along with Michaels. The show, which had fallen on rough times, was gradually received, and is now enjoying its highest ratings and greatest critical success since the 1979-1980 season. Over the last several years, Franken and Davis

have grown apart, and are no longer functioning as a team. Michaels asked Al to be creative consultant to the show in 1987, and he now serves as co-producer. In 1989, Franken won his fourth Emmy for writing.

Al has also stepped up his performing in SNL. During the 1987-1988 season, he developed his one-man mobile uplink character, who wears a satellite dish on his head. He gave memorable and hilarious performances as two of that year's presidential candidates, the Reverend Pat Robinson and Senator Paul Simon. Al also provided commentary for CNN during its coverage of the 1988 Democratic Convention in Atlanta. Al continues to be known for his acclaimed broadcast of President Bush's State of the Union address, providing simultaneous analysis during the speech. The success of this broadcast led to Al's anchoring Comedy Central's live coverage of both the Democratic and Republican national conventions this year. His portrayal of Paul Tsongas on SNL last season was another Franken classic.

In the spring of 1991, Al created his most beloved running SNL character, Stuart Smalley, host of the cable TV show, *Daily Affirmations* with Stuart Smalley. The sweet, vulnerable Stuart has won a cult following, and his catchwords, "I'm good enough, I'm smart enough, and doggone it, people like me!" and "That's okay" have become part of the vernacular. Al has written his first book as Stuart and he has also produced a related but wholly original audio tape.

Al Franken will perform on Wednesday evening, March 31st at 8:00 p.m. in '64 Hall. Admission is \$3 at the door, and CASH PRIZES are still being given away! Don't miss this show!

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Liz Gibbons: Attraction Through Abstraction

by Theresa Brophy
Asst. A&E Editor

Senior Liz Gibbons is an art major who is getting her hands on abstract expressionism. After experimenting with various art forms, Liz found painting to be her most preferred and "expressive" medium. "To me, painting is a means which articulates my sense of creativity, my individuality, and my internal vision," she says.

Liz formally began to pursue her artistic experimentation early in high school. However, the innate desire to create was always there. "I used to draw a lot when I was little. I'm the youngest of eight, so I guess I was always

The transition which Liz made in her later works clearly reveals a newer, simplified, and more open approach in which Liz says she tries "to create a strong sense of space which makes the viewer feel as if he or she can walk right into the painting." Liz describes her technique as a sort of collaboration of other mid-twentieth century styles and influences like artists William DeKooning, Helen Frankenthaler, and Hans Hoffman. Without duplicating other pieces, she tries to "incorporate these techniques onto her own work." Liz emphasizes that the insight of her professor Mr. Baker has also been extremely helpful and encouraging in the develop-

freedom of expression and experimentation might stir something in others. "My favorite aspect of being an artist is introducing a new way of seeing things to viewers and encourage them to challenge constricting images or ideas they may have," she says. "I don't title most of my works because I don't want to mislead people. I like to see what they get out of them first."

On April 18th, Liz will be sharing some of the pieces of her collection along with works displayed by senior Lisa Calandrino. The exhibition will be held in Hunt-Cavanagh Gallery on lower campus. Here's your chance to view for yourselves!

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trying to do something to get attention!" she adds.

Well, Liz doesn't need to make any effort to grab this viewer's attention. Her paintings do all of the talking for themselves. Although she has taken a route which differs from drawing, she does keep a journal of doodles and sketches of shapes and ideas which may strike her. "If someone says something or I see something, I write it down. Then I try to do a painting about it in an evasive kind of way," she says. In her earlier works, Liz started using shapes and geometric forms, which she explains made her paintings "flat."

ment of her work.

Unlike some artists, Liz works with staining unprimed canvases. She prefers to work with creating her own rich tones like purples and earth hues, rather than using colors right out of the tube. "I attempt to create interesting relationships and accidents between the paints and canvas," Liz remarks. Liz has also explored using a range of textures and materials, such as wood, nylon, and sand, and working with tools and her hands rather than a paintbrush.

Abstract art is something which is often misunderstood and critically questioned. However, Liz hopes that this



Senior Liz Gibbons and her painting.

Singer Pat Cottrell Coming To Sidelines

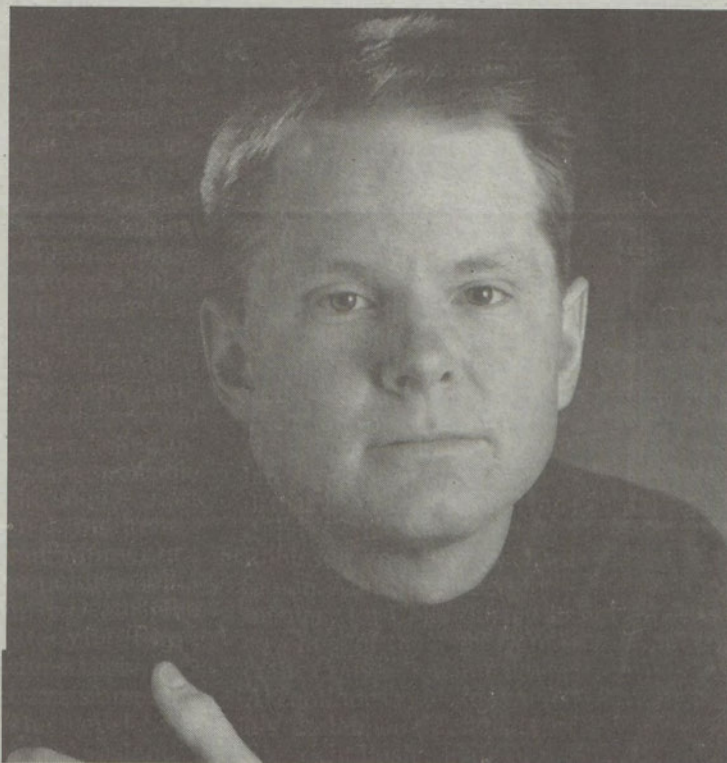
Pat Cottrell is a twenty-six year old guitarist and singer-soloist from Newport, Rhode Island. He began performing professionally at the age of seventeen. Since his graduation from the University of Notre Dame in 1987, he has been performing full time at clubs, colleges, and private functions throughout the New England area. His early influences include the likes of James Taylor, Neil Young, America, and others from this genre of music. Pat also spent several years performing with a popular rock group called The Philtres.

Pat's artistry goes a step beyond that of most other soloists. The energy level he is able to maintain makes his performance not only pleasant to the ears but fun as well. His impact on the audience can be as dynamic as that of a full band.

Pat has performed to crowds as large as 2500 people (URI, spring 1990) and has travelled as far as Allentown, PA (Mullenberg College) to play. He has been featured in artists such as, Livingston Taylor (Blue Pelican-Newport, RI), Billy Bragg (The Campus Club-Providence), and Living Color (The Living Room-Providence).

He is anything but "background music." Pat never uses drum machines or electronic synthesizers. Utilizing only his 12-string acoustic guitar, and a powerfully accurate voice, he turns his audience on with tastefully performed classics such as, "Brown Eyed Girl" (Van Morrison), and "American Pie" (Don McLean). He is equally as comfortable picking a selection from his many original songs or one from newer favorites by artists such as, REM, The Cure, or Tom Petty.

Pat is performing this Saturday, March 27th at Sidelines from 5-9. It's a 21 and over night with a \$3 all you can eat buffet.



Singer Pat Cottrell strikes a pose.

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A Review of *The Revue*

by Kristen Gariepy
Features Staff Writer

Let's face it. The Ray Cafe dining room is starting to resemble the cafeteria at a nursing home. Mondo has its positive qualities, but three weeks of grilled cheese and fries gets a little tedious, not to mention expensive. Don't even suggest Yuck as an alternative for good food because I won't listen. But lend me your ear - I've found the perfect solution for great eating and memorable drinking.

Oliver's Revue is located on the East Side at the corners of Benevolent Street and Brook

divided into sections according to Acts. Yes, I mean Acts. Act I consists of the Warming Up foods, such as Baked Onion Soup and Hearty English Beef Stew. Act II is called Setting the Stage and carries all salads, ranging from one made with spinach to a curried chicken salad. The Main Event, a.k.a. Act III, is separated into four scenes: The Juicy Burgers, The London Bridge (triple deckers), The Hearty Deli Board and, Omelettes. Shortly after is the Intermission which refers to all specialty sandwiches. Act IV is

sliced ham and turkey, with broccoli spears and melted Swiss cheese

*El Greco Pizza - spinach, tomatoes, feta cheese, aglio olio
*Buffalo Wings - no explanation necessary

The Drinks - Oliver's serves, without a doubt, the best mixed drinks in Providence. I mean Snapple and lemon juice, of course. Seriously, they serve Margaritas, Daiquiris, Banana Banshees, Oreo/Mint Cookie, Strawberry Orgasm, and Green Devil, among several others. Authors Favorite: Frozen Universal - Midori, Vodka, Pistachio, orange juice and sherbet. Oliver's also has a large variety of brews, but they need no discussion. One highlight that I absolutely have to mention is the offering of specialty and international coffees. Definitely different than the usual PC bar.

The Atmosphere - One thing I really enjoyed about Oliver's is the fact that it's near Thayer Street. So you're away from the typical PC scene, but not separated from college students. Inside, the pub is laden with hardwood floors and walls. It's attractive and clean, not at all like a dive bar. It's not really large, which gives the close, integrated feeling between customers.

The Staff - I had the opportunity to meet and talk to most of the employees each time I went to Oliver's. Every person I met was friendly, personable, and willing to give honest an-

swers to the questions I asked (mostly about which drink is best). The wait staff, including the females, wear ties and dress sharp. It's great to see a place where the employees have style, not a drab uniform or ripped T-shirt. Jenn Ashe works there, be cool to her and leave big tips.

The Prices - Oliver's offers nightly specials on beer, so the prices on brew change daily. Sunday night is All You Can Eat Buffalo Wings Night for \$5.95. Wednesday is Pitcher Night. Shot Specials on Thursday and Mixed Drink Specials on Friday. When there isn't a special, mixed drinks prices are average, about \$3-4 dollars for 12oz. They also have a 48oz. pitcher available for mixed drinks. The coffees are a little expensive (about \$4.00), but worth it. All food on the menu costs about five dollars which is really reasonable considering the portion and quality you'll receive.

Overall - I can't do anything but rave and praise Oliver's Revue. It's definitely a perfect place to go when you need to escape the typical regimen of PC. I highly recommend trying it out on a Thursday or Friday night before engaging in the usual activities around here. Cabs are cheap, especially if you go in groups, and it's healthy to try new places every once in a while. You won't be disappointed.

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Street. The owners, Tom and Sophia, refer to their business as an English Pub which specializes in satisfying the hunger and thirst of everyone. I've been a few times, raved for hours afterward, and am here to tell my honest impressions of this excellent restaurant and bar.

The Food - Oliver's menu is designed to follow strict revue rules. What is a revue? To quote Mr. Webster, it's a type of musical show consisting of several loosely connected skits, songs and dances. In hopes of imitating this idea, Oliver's menu is

Matinee Entrees and individual pizzas (Author's Note: Number One recommendation is the El Greco.) Finally, Act VI consists of foods considered to be The Climax. Every section of Oliver's menu is filled with appetizing and original ideas to satisfy one's appetite. I won't overwhelm you, but here's just a few sneak previews:

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Thursday, April 1 at 8:00 p.m. in Moore Hall III

Ms. Harjo was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1951 and is a member of the Creek Nation. She received her M.F.A. in creative writing from the Iowa Writer's Workshop at the University of Iowa in 1978. She also attended the Anthropology Film Center in Santa Fe. She has published four books of poetry and received the William Carlos Williams Award from the Poetry Society of America for *IN MAD LOVE AND WAR*, Wesleyan University Press, 1990. She has also received the Delmore Schwartz

Memorial Poetry Award. She is professor of creative writing at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. She is also a dramatic screenwriter and has many produced works including "APACHE MOUNTAIN SPIRITS" for Silvercloud Video Productions. She plays Soprano Sax, and Harcourt, Brace and Jovanovich will soon publish her first children's book, *THE GOOD LUCK CAT*. Come hear this vibrant American Poet, as we celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Providence College.

Keep Your Pants On!

by Noelle Cusack
Asst. Features Editor

Okay, so maybe the first day of spring has come and gone. Maybe you've all gotten the fork-lift damage fixed on your cars. Maybe you've elected to put away your duck boots. But, do any of you realize that it's still only 40 degrees outside? If your off-campus house was 40 degrees, you'd be calling your landlord every other minute. You'd probably be walking around your house with two sweatshirts on cursing the furnace and throwing things into the fireplace. Why is it, then, that everyone on this campus has decided that it's summer? Excuse me, but girls wearing strapless dresses to the BDB does not constitute throwing all of your sweaters to the back of the closet. Now that my attitude on this whole "Let's pretend it's spring" thing is out in the open, I can go on about the things on this campus that will convince you that it's not really spring, although you can keep wearing shorts if you're still trying to show off your tan (whether it's from Cancun or not).

First of all, the water that is running rampant throughout the campus is a result of melting snow. The sand was placed there by the physical plant to make sure we don't lose our footing on our way home at night. No matter what you may think, these elements are not an automatic indication that we are at a beach. If this is true, then why are people running around outside with shorts on and no shirts? They are playing softball, catch, and they're rollerblading. Don't you know that rollerblading on black ice is not the same as rollerblading on black tops?

The other thing I've noticed is that the shuttle is full every weekend (i.e. Wednesday,

Thursday, Friday, etc.). I'd like to think that this is not because PC kids are lazy, but because they are using it to keep warm (and safe, too, of course). People are also still using it as a mode of transportation to the places around PC where it is easy to find all of those beverages that your grandparents used to use to "warm up" in the cold weather. (Carnation Hot Chocolate with mini colored marshmallows, of course.)

Finally, I've noticed that all of the fields are like swamps. All of the sports teams have spent the last few weeks shoveling their fields out from underneath the snow and sludge. The fields are just about as dirty as Louie's floor after last call. The beauty of this is that while the teams are losing time practicing, they are being well trained for many circumstances they may face after graduation. Say, for instance, if they live in the rain forest, or in Canada, or in the Arctic for that matter. At least our fields have only turned into marshes and have not completely frozen. I guess now all of the lost students will be able to find "marshfield" parties now. Just go down to Fennell Field and wait.

I guess I'm one of those people who listens to the weatherman every day. My roommates even call the B101 Info-Line every night where you can hear a daily recording of the Channel 6 weatherman Steve Caccione (who became famous in his debut split screen performance during last week's Big East game.) Well, I'll sign off now. After all, rumor has it that there will be snow tonight - so make sure that when you put on your shorts tomorrow you remember to wear a long sleeved T-shirt.

Eyes Opened to the Blind Date Ball

by Bridget Hughes
Contributing Writer

Last Friday night I went to the Raymond-Guzman Blind Date Ball. I have to admit that I was excited. I mean, it was my first formal at PC and it was a preview for my own BDB which is this Friday. So, while I'm sure it only took the average PC male 20 minutes to get ready - maybe 30 if he shaved - I took part in the female ritual and curled my hair, did my nails, put on my make-up, took pictures - I even got a boutonniere for my date - which ended up on the floor 20 minutes later, thanks to my great expertise in pinning on flowers. By the time 5:15 came, my nerves were shot, and I was ready to declare the night over. But, the night was far from over. In fact, it was just beginning - starting with DeTox. As everyone crowded into Peterson, my nervousness vanished, when I came to the realization that I was going to have to have toe amputation in the morning because I had been standing so long in my heels, which I must admit are less comfortable than bucks. After an endless hour of eating chips and drinking punch, we got to get on our wonderful modes of transportation - yes, there is nothing like traveling to a ball in a

yellow school bus. But fortunately, my date and I were towards the front of the bus; we were lucky - we had first class. Yes, good old first class, where we could hear the radio blaring, the CB radio's static, and to top it off, the girl in front of us apparently had too much punch and decided to throw it up. So, as we sat for 40 minutes on the bus hoping that the bus driver would soon be suffering from "lead foot" disease which would force him to drive more than 35 mph, we already had a good idea of what the night would be like.

Finally the bus rolled into a parking lot, and we soon saw our ballroom. It was called the "Cinderella Room", and for an added touch it had an actual high heel shoe over the door. I actually had to look at my feet to make sure my shoes were still on. My only two questions are: did Cinderella wear heels? I thought she wore a glass slipper. And, how come I suddenly felt like I was entering a strip joint? After entering and finding a table, we were attacked by a photographer telling us to "squeeze together" for a picture. Not five minutes later, a different photographer came along and told us to be "spontaneous" for another picture. Ten minutes later, the original first photogra-

pher wanted another shot, but finally our table yelled "no!" After that, they took the hint, and didn't bother us for the rest of the night. After a lovely dinner of chicken soup, salad, and stuffed chicken, which slightly resembled Ray Cafe's Chicken Cordon Bleu, everyone crowded on the dance floor to dance (i.e. - make fools of themselves.) Of course by this time it was 9:00 or 9:30, and as we jumped around on the dance floor - I could feel the chicken moving around in my stomach. This of course must of been from not waiting an hour to digest my food. Unfortunately, no one had an hour to spare - because by 10:30, half the place had cleared out. It was so early - where had everybody gone? Probably to Holiday Inn or Ho-Jo's to rest. There had just been too much excitement for one night. Or maybe some went back to the dorm to get there in time for parietals.

On the bus ride back to school, the mood was quieter. Everyone seemed to be sober, and looking forward to a good Western Civ discussion back at the hotels. Things did seem to brighten up, however when Whitney Houston's "I Will Always Love You" came on about 4 different times on 4 different radio stations, and each time, the whole bus sang.

All in all - the Raymond-Guzman BDB was a success - despite the hospital-like food, the stylish transportation, and the fact that everyone paid \$50.00 and left at 10:30. But, it was a good time had by all, and the best thing about it is, I get to do it all over again this Friday at my Aquinas BDB.



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tion with the little Spanish I learned, and I believe it is because of Destinos.

—The video also made the class more interesting because you really do find yourself wondering if Raquel (the main character) is going to find Rosario, whether or not Don Fernando is going to die in the middle of an episode, and why Jaime is such an annoying little kid.

—Destinos keeps me interested in Spanish and wanting to learn more. I believe every language class should have a program like Destinos. I am glad I got to participate in the program and I hope it will remain at Providence College for years to come.

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An Autobiographical Obituary

by Brian Cappello
Features Editor

This week, I was originally planning to write about how the hoop team got screwed out of the NCAA tournament, but then I decided that 48, 4365 prior commentaries on the subject would suffice. Thus, I decided to take out \$100 and head down to Thayer Stree for a good, old fashioned palm reading from Madame I. C. Thefuture. And believe it or not, for that bargain rate, I learned more than enough info to write my own obituary.

On January 23, 2035, Brian Cappello, the award-winning journalist, passed away. He was 63 years old and lived in Sydney, Australia.

While it took but a second for Mr. Cappello's heart to stop beating, the events leading up to his demise were anything but momentary. Feeling he had nothing left to accomplish in the field of Journalism, Mr. Cappello set out to become the first person ever to cross the Atlantic while windsurfing. Unfortunately, after two weeks of steady progress, he was knocked unconscious upon colliding with an unusually large seagull. He wound up windsurfer-wrecked on a seemingly deserted island, where he contracted a rare tropical disease that only permits one to survive for ten to fifteen minutes.

Cappello was quick to diagnose the disease and using a coconut, an old SlimJim wrapper and three seashells wrapped in seaweed, he was able to simultaneously concoct a cure for his disease, as well as Cancer and the common cold. Due to a lack of writing utensils, he was forced to document the formula for the cure in his mind.

Determined to survive and share the cure with society, he befriended a skinny little fellow named Gilligan, and together they were able to use a pair of washed-up socks, a piece of used chewing gum, and a 2 by 4 to construct a raft capable of transporting a family of ten. Apparently, however, upon hearing Gilligan speak of people named the Skipper, the Professor, Thurston, and Ginger,

Cappello deemed young Gilligan a raving lunatic and decided to leave him and the others behind.

After three weeks of paddling, Cappello landed on a seemingly inhabited island where he was immediately attacked by a wild boar (no, not a teacher, the animal). Fortunately, he recalled learning of the wild boar's love of a good lullaby and was eventually able to sing his way to freedom.

Now suffering from several severe lacerations to the head and a tremendous amount of internal bleeding, he continued his trek until being swept up by a severe hurricane. With no time to waste, he implored an old schoolboy technique whereby he was able to create a reverse crosswind, thus neutralizing the hurricane and

setting him free once more.

Now buck naked but determined more than ever, Cappello was finally able to reach civilization. Using the one eye that remained partially open, he spotted the local physician and hobbled toward him. Unfortunately, as he crossed the street and prepared to unleash the mystical cure, he was informed that the Providence College hoop team got screwed out of the NCAA tournament for the 48th straight time and he immediately dropped dead of a heart attack.

Mr. Cappello graduated from Providence College way back in 1993, and thanks to the wondrous policies of former President William "My friends call me Billy" Clinton, he went on to sit on his butt for the ensuing five

years. In 1998, while watching soaps, he received a call from PC begging him to return as President of the College, replacing Father Cunningham, who went on to become Head of the Missing Persons Bureau of the FBI.

As President, he instituted fully co-ed dorms, dropped parietals, encouraged students to park on campus, banned varsity athletes from Peterson, opened a Condom Hut in the mini-mall, and forbade Raymond Cafe from serving chicken patties more than three times a week.

Mr. Cappello won hundreds of journalism awards throughout his illustrious career and may be best known for his Pulitzer Prize winning feature entitled, "The Planet Mars: A Nice Place to Visit But I Wouldn't Want to Live There."

Mr. Cappello leaves his wife, Christie Brinkley, his loyal butler Billy Joel, and his three sons, Manute, Dikembe, and Shaquille. Services will be held on Sunday, January 27, at the Higgins' Funeral Parlor/Recently Widowed Dating Service. Services are set to start at 2 p.m. but may not actually commence until 2:30 as Cappello is said to have a history of running fashionably late.



This is Jeopardy... Features Style

by Glen Lowney
Contributing Writer

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PC's Rep Ripped in Princeton Review

by Kristen Gariepy
Features Staff Writer

Remember the days of pre-SAT's and The Princeton Review? I thought I had escaped those annoyances when I got accepted into college. No such luck. The pathetic 8:00 a.m. future-deciding test have been happily forgotten, but the Princeton people have resurfaced. You know, the one's who sent pamphlets home and hung posters in your high school cafeteria? They wanted to increase your college boards, they wanted to help you further your education, and they wrote you a guide containing schools that would meet your individual needs. Sound like a group of caring and helpful people, right? Think again.

The Princeton Review's latest endeavor is another money-making scheme to either ruin or praise the reputation of selected colleges and universities. They positive comments end.

The comments made about PC in the Review were anything but positive. Students who were polled at offered their personal answers and then some. Some quotes that can be found in the Review include "a work load that is definitely manageable" and "a bunch of heavy drinkers." Others criticized the administration and said they were "concerned almost solely with appearances to outsiders." I'm happy that those questioned gave their honest opinions, but I think we definitely have to look at both sides of this situation. In five years when my once reputable school hinders my job search, I'll be sure to send every one of them a personal thank you note.

It's only fair and objective to discuss both sides of the story because, in effect, both sides have their valid points. First of all, we are going to graduate with degrees from

Providence College. Regardless of whether a person finds a job or continues on to a higher education, the PC reputation is going to have an impact on their future. When my potential employer reads that I attended PC, I don't want he or she to think 'Party College.' For \$70,000, I am here to get an education as well as have a good time. The Review clearly makes PC out to contain a "full schedule of parties and extracurriculars." I don't blame the publishers. I blame the students who decided it was their place to speak up for the entire student body. If one person is going to give a powerful opinion on something that will affect everyone, then we should all make our voices heard. In five years when my once reputable school hinders my job search, I'll be sure to send every one of them a personal thank you note.

We, as future holders of the PC degree, have to be careful not to tarnish its reputation. Whether it's the truth for some, by making ourselves and classmates look like drunk, uneducated morons we're only causing deliberate hurt. I have no

complaints about the amount of partying available here. One of the first things I tell people when they ask about PC is that it's a lot of fun. I am very straightforward about the social scene and sometimes make a point to stress the frequency of parties. But those people aren't going to go and publish what I say for every applicant and

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employer in the country to read. We all needed some amount of brains to get here, use them and think before you speak.

Like I said, a lot of the comments made in the Review painted a reasonably realistic picture of life at PC. The social scene is very prominent and figures into

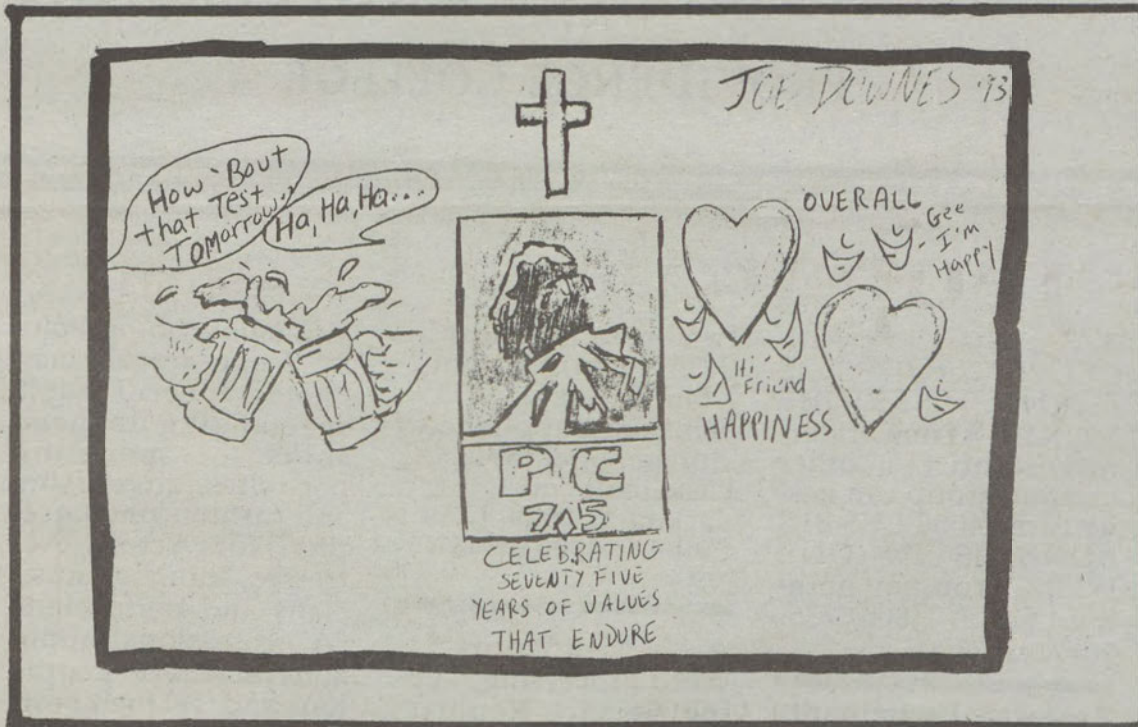
almost every student's life (including mine) often. When asked about life at Providence or any other typical college, it's natural to go into detail about the party scene. We'd be fooling ourselves and lying to the Review if we said the average PC student focused solely on academics. College is more than just studying and taking exams. It's also about meeting new people and finding out about yourself. One of the best ways to do so is to socialize frequently. It's an animal instinct to have fun.

Students made it quite clear to the Review that they are unhappy with the administration at PC. The described them as being "completely out of touch with students' desires" and "concerned almost solely with appearances to outsiders." The Review specifically mentions the problems we've had with recent campus violence. Perhaps by voicing their frustrations to a national publication, the questioned students are initiating some sort of protest to the administration and demanding to be heard.

The Review also addressed the lack of a diverse population at Providence. One student wrote, "We're a friendly group, but too homogeneous. The administration is so concerned with its 'Catholic image' that it overlooks the need for student diversity." We need diversity at PC and if the only way to achieve this objective is to express our desires to the public, then that's the route students will have to take. Attending college with 3,000 peers who are carbon copies of each other makes it difficult for students to explore and meet people from different backgrounds. I think learning the culture and interests of a friend would teach me more than the philosophical ideas of St. Augustine. Associating with new and interesting people is part of learning and adapting to college. At PC, the general population are students with similar interests and histories. There is no variation.

Basically, there are two ways to approach this Princeton Review report. By being blunt and exaggerating a bit about the lax academics at PC, we're only hurting ourselves. Especially when these opinions don't hold true for all of the student body. We're going to depend on this Providence College degree in a few years. I'd rather have it be something I'm proud of. By expressing the problems and concerns in a national publication, perhaps our desires will be acknowledged and not ignored. Sometimes you have to speak extra loud in order to be heard and acknowledged.

I did not write this article to disagree with or condemn anyone. The information I read in the Princeton Review gave me mixed feelings, so I discussed both sides. Which side is the correct one is each person's opinion. I hope it's our opinions and achievements that we accomplish at PC that determine our future, not what's written in a college journal.



Cure the Springtime Blues

by Mat Bunnell
Contributing Writer

Have you felt depressed lately, like you have nothing to be happy about? Are you afraid that time is going by too quickly and you'll soon again join the ranks of the (say it ain't so) employed? Does the mailroom feel sorry for you and stick some Ronzio's coupons in your otherwise unused mailbox? Does the weather pattern seem as messed up as your NCAA tournament picks (George Washington in the Sweet Sixteen?! Santa Clara?!)? Guys, does it seem that a girl's idea of a perfect relationship is lost in a dream world of daytime soaps and romance novels and girls, does it seem that the ideal relationship for a guy can be found on

Baywatch and the pages of a Victoria's Secret catalog? Do you spend more time reading bar bathroom graffiti than you do studying?

If the answer to any of the above questions is yes then stop worrying. No, you are not losing it, you don't need any sort of medication and a straitjacket is out of the question (unless you spend all your time writing

the bar graffiti). You're just suffering from Post-St. Patty's Day, Pre-Easter, Mid-Lenten Coitus Interruptus or in layman terms, The Early Springtime Blues.

What, you may ask, can be done to remedy the situation? Well, for one you could start studying harder, but with warmer weather around the corner that's not likely. If you're

having a problem with relationships (or the lack thereof) write to Ann Landers or watch Geraldo because I, being in the same boat, obviously don't have a clue. If you're scared of summer employment, find a job that works for you (except for the obvious: prostitution, sports betting, drug smuggling, etc.). If you can't stand the unpredictable weather of PC

you could transfer to someplace sunny and warm year round, but a degree from the University of Haiti won't really have the same pull as one from PC.

The best thing to do is nothing, that's right, absolutely nothing. Let things fix themselves. The weather will get better and your parents will eventually forget your grades. As far as relationships go, hey you're drinking milk! C'mon it does a body good. Seriously though, you've heard that there's someone out there in this vast world destined to be with you. But, there's also a bullet out there with your name on it so be careful. Make the right choices, let time run its course and things will get better. So go out, send yourself some mail, start taking life day by day and you will soon find a cure for the Springtime Blues.



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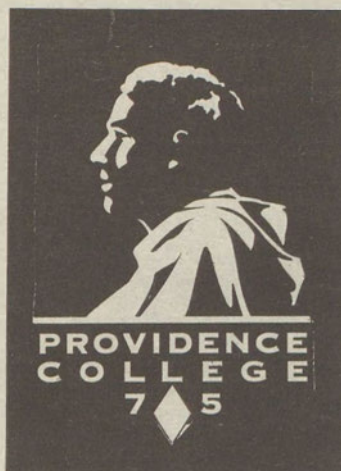
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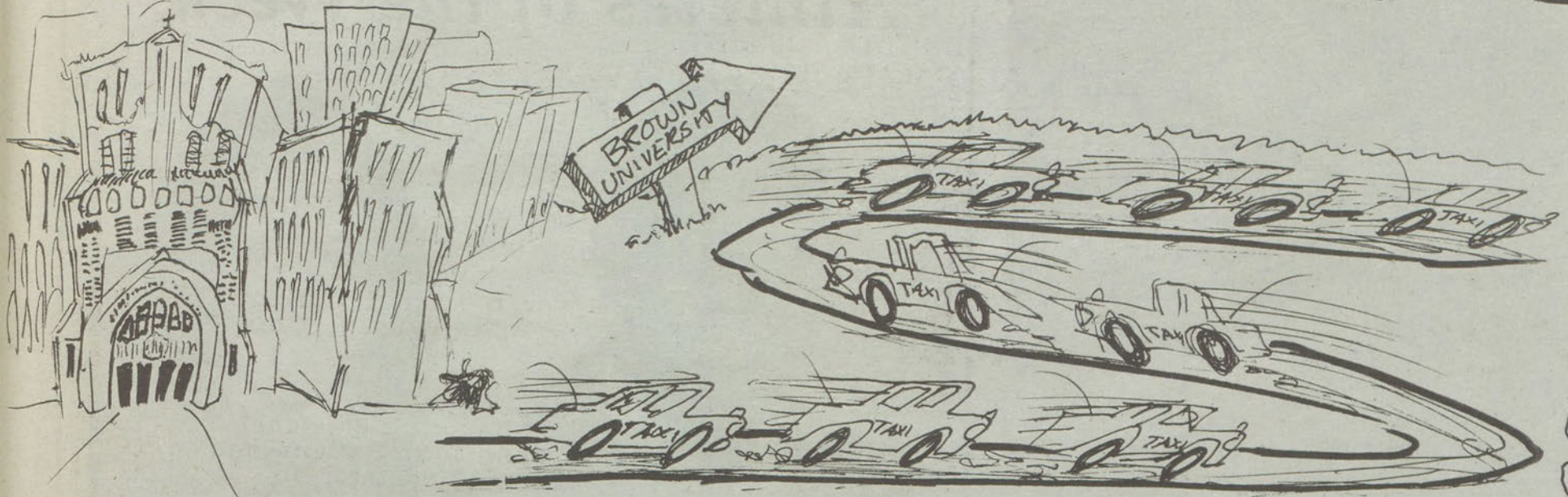


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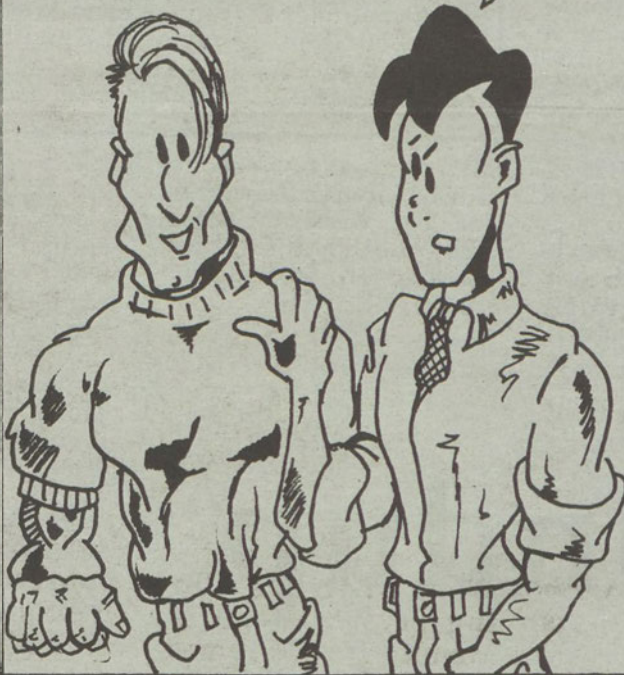


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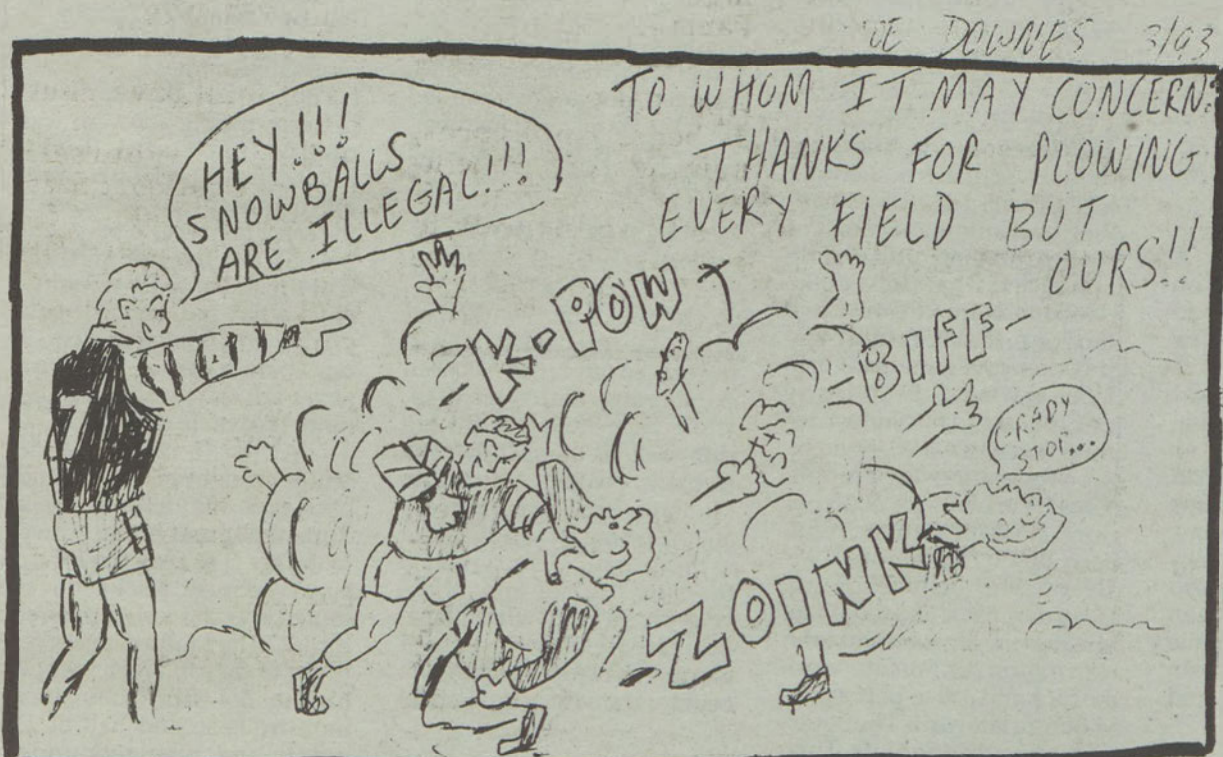
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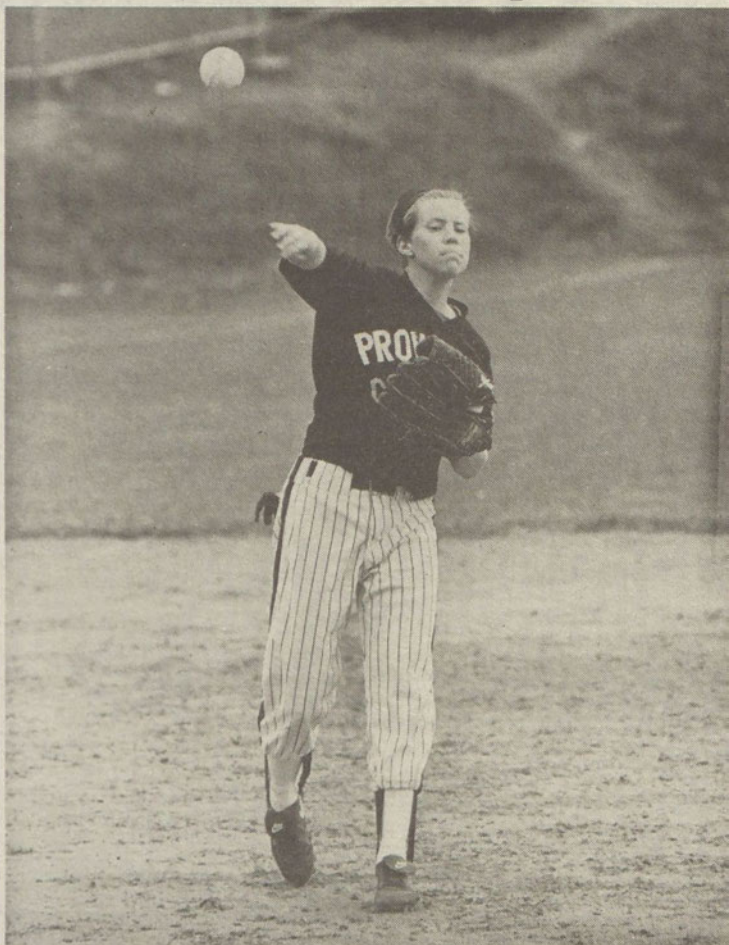
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Junior Holly Thompson led the Lady Friars in hitting on the Florida trip with a .488 average.

fight off the challenge of sophomore Amy Jao.

With so much talent and relatively few positions available, Coach Barto has a difficult task ahead of her for most of this season. Her formula is pretty simple: "Whoever is hitting the ball will be playing. Anyone that I put onto the field can play defense as well as anyone else so it will come down to who is providing the hits and runs. Our depth on defense will be a tre-

mendous asset, especially having five solid pitchers. The only problems that I can foresee are if we run into a slump at the plate or if the younger players don't respond in the pressure situations." If these are the only problems that Coach B faces this year, I don't think that she will lose too much sleep between now and June, or many games for that matter. She feels that this team has a legitimate shot at the Big East Crown and they will defi-

CLEARLY CANADIAN Athletes of the Week



Michael Smith (Washington, D.C.)

The junior Second Team All-Big East performer registered two double-doubles in PC's NIT wins over James Madison and West Virginia. Against the Dukes, Smith had 10 points and 12 rebounds in 33 minutes of play. In the Friars' one-point win over West Virginia, he netted 15 points and grabbed 12 rebounds. Smith continues to lead the team in scoring and rebounding, averaging 11.7 points and 11.3 rebounds.



Kristin Brooks (Plainville, MA)

Brooks won both of her singles matches, playing number one for the Lady Friars. Brooks was the lone winner for Providence in its match with Harvard. She defeated Eliza Parker in three sets, 5-7, 6-3, 6-3. The junior was also impressive in her two-set win over Tricia Antogiovanni of Temple, as she came away with a 6-3, 6-1 victory. She has a 16-10 record at No. 1 singles this season.

nately give powerhouse UCONN a run for their money. *The Cowl* wishes the best of luck to the Lady Friars in their '93 campaign. See you in the sun.

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ars up 11-5 and got West Virginia Coach Gale Catlett to call a time-out. The Mountaineers needed more than the allotted time to regroup as Providence continued to pour it on. Troy Brown, who has been a wonderful player off the bench recently, entered the game, was quickly fouled, and calmly went two for two from the line. Tony Turner rained in consecutive 3 pointers and PC was up 19-9. Marsalis Basey, West Virginia's point guard, kept his team in the game by hitting a pair of trifectas himself and dictating the pace when the Friars threatened to break it wide open. Besides, Mr. Robinson was lurking in the background waiting for his moment to come.

The second half was a battle between the big boys. "It was really fun," said Ricky Robinson. "Especially because a lot of times in physical games the refs don't let you play. But the refs took us aside and said that I'm going to let you guys have some fun but if it gets dirty then I'll have to clean it up." Smith versus Robinson never got dirty just more and more enjoyable to watch.

At the 13 minute mark, Smith brought his right hand back and thundered home a dunk that brought the crowd to its feet. The play put PC up 50-41 because Michael was fouled and converted the free throw. The Mountaineers refused to cave in and a lot of it had to do with Robinson's monstrous second half of 12 points and nine rebounds.

Twice he beat Smith to the glass with nifty put backs. With 1:15 left, West Virginia took their first lead of the game 67-66. This matchup was just like nail biters in that other tournament. Down to the wire. No tomorrow!

After Dickey Simpkins hit two clutch free throws, Phil Wilson lofted his mini-hook just five feet away from the rim, but Michael Smith just wouldn't be denied. The man pulled down the most important of his 12 rebounds to secure a 68-67 Friar victory. "When we had to come up with the big stop, we came up with it," said Coach Barnes.

Providence's last two showings in the NIT ended in the quarterfinals. Patterns develop even in college basketball, but like rules they are meant to be broken.

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In the end, it was the man himself who coined the motto for the remainder of the season. "You never know if it's going to be your last 40 minutes of the season, so you have to play as hard as you can."

If they can keep it up for another 80 minutes or so, the Friars will have a championship banner and a point well made.

IAB Roundup

Hoop Season Continues

Compiled by the IAB Staff

5 On 5 Hoops

5 on 5 is rapidly heating up as March Madness unfolds. A big upset in Division A on Sunday. Surprise team Chad Brown TV Repair Men slid by the #1 seeded None Flew Over Birds Nest. Chad Brown was led by the superior passing and foul shooting skills of Ken Beaupre. Mike Shannon had an excellent defensive game for the losers. On Monday, Big Fat Paul continues to play strong compiling a 4-0 record over previously unbeaten Alonzo & the Cavaliers. Jamie Fish and Brian Gelke remain in the top ten in scoring and rebounding.

B Hoops

In B league action, The Little Rhodies beat sharp shooting Will's Thrills led by ball handling and automatic touch of Chris Coleman and Jamie Lussier and what seemed like 83 rebounds apiece from Dave Rhodies and Bill Tobin. The Rhodies overcame an early deficit to win. M-divers led by Joe Corbett and J.J. Nunes continue to tear up the league by out rebounding their opponents by an average of 18 per game. Look for the match with Beer Belly Express and M-divers. Beer Belly is 5-0 and are strong inside and out. Mike Myers is the big man and John Harrington continue to work the pick and roll to perfection. Making a late run is The Squirrels Out Gathering Nuts. Time Bailey and Chris Forhan are

masters of the backdoor play. Other tough teams are Cephas Express, Hoe and Lothar and the Hill People. Remember: Super sports is right around the corner April 24, 1993.

Girls' Hoop

In girls 5 on 5 basketball action, the competition is heating up. So far, Posse has been dominating the court (3-0), while Bagge's Barely B's are right behind them (2-0). The Dream Team, Mighty's Mousses, and Too Short are all competing for second place as they are all 2-1. Meanwhile, the Sugar babies and Bricklayers have yet to win a game, but there are still two weeks of games left before the playoffs begin and anything is possible!

Florida Reveals Fine Future

by Mike Randolph
Sports Writer

Talented, hard-working, young but experienced. Pick the word that best describes the 1993 Lady Friars Softball team. The answer is D, all of the above. Over the spring break the Friar nine compiled a 9-2 pre-season record on a trip to Florida where they faced some stiff competition, most notably the University

of Oklahoma. That trip should also be an omen of good things to come during the regular season. The team combined for a batting average of .309 while the pitching staff held their opponents to a measly .217. The Friars belted out 97 hits over the course of the eleven games including 22 for extra bases and eight home runs. The pitching staff was equally proficient with five solid pitchers combining for

an impressive 2.03 ERA and 32 K's in 76 innings. Now let's go around the horn and meet the rest of the Lady Friars.

On the mound, Coach Jackie Barto is faced with a "problem" she hasn't had to face since taking over the helm three seasons ago. She has more quality pitchers than ever before and this season, instead of pitching one woman for the entire game,

she will now be able to relieve a struggling pitcher and not threaten her rotation schedule for the next few games. Senior Merry Perkoski, the only senior on the team, will get her share of starts this year and will be in the rotation with juniors Caryann Sculley and Kelly Taber. New to this year's staff are freshmen, Candy Erickson and Amy Kvilhaug. Coach B sees the pitching staff as one of her greatest assets this season and there is plenty of defense behind this fab five to compensate for any slumps on the mound this year.

Behind the plate, the Friars are nearly as deep as they are on the mound. Sophomore Katie Collins and junior Kim Dowd will push each other to the top of their game. They shared time at the spot last year but both have been bothered by injuries lately. This could open the door somewhat for freshman Janean Smith.

The position of first base is up for grabs between converted centerfielder Kate Drohan (Soph.) and freshman Meghan Murray. Both have a solid glove and batted at a .350 clip on their trip to Fla.

Second base will be held down by sophomore Caryl Drohan and newcomer Meredith Zenowich. Caryl played second base for the Friars for part of last season but "Z" hit well in Florida batting .278 with a slugging percentage of .500.

Third base and shortstop are the only two positions that seem to be locked down. Junior Holly Thompson played the hot corner for the Friars last year and played it well. Holly led all hitters

down south with a whopping .488 average. Sophomore Kim Robbins won the spot at shortstop last year as a freshman and was a great addition to the defense all season. She turned up the juice in her bat in the pre-season hitting .419 and led the team with 14 RBI's and 3 home runs.

Providence also features a wealth of talent in the outfield with six women battling each other for the three positions. Left field belonged to junior Wendy Cofran last year and she had a great defensive season. Her range, superglue glove and strong arm should make it tough for anyone to beat her out but freshman Beth Miller will give it all she has to keep Cofran on the top of her game. Center field is up for grabs between two very talented freshmen. Alana Blahoski batted .381 in Florida and her speed in the field and on the bases would make Carl Lewis jealous. She faces some stiff competition from Meredith Zenowich who has an equally potent bat. Kim Dowd will also see time in right field for the Lady Friars and she has many of the same defensive skills as Cofran does in left, but her arsenal also includes a thunderous bat. The #4 hitter last season was sidelined in Fla. by an injury suffered during ice hockey season but is close to 100% already and will need to be to

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The young guys are filling in well, though and Steve Kelley is the mainstay up there. He has really helped out the younger guys," says Bianco. The midfield is solid with the strong senior trio of Bianco, Alex Vetter, and Bob Murphy, and they should take some pressure off the attackers.

On the other end of the field, Theis feels that the strength of the defense will be its experience. The three starting defenders, Theis, Matt Cullen, and Brian Horan have started for the past three years. "Mike Skehan is very strong off the bench. We have a lot of depth at this position," says Theis. The goalies are also experienced and solid. Rich Dunphy and Bill Duffin are two of the best in New England.

The 1993 PC lacrosse team seems to be in good hands under co-captains Mike Theis and Danny Bianco. The team has improved tremendously in the six years since coach Kevin Murray arrived and shows no sign of slowing down. "We realize that this is our last opportunity. As seniors we want the best out of last season," says Bianco, the senior from North Providence. This team is solid and should turn some heads this season. Theis sums up the teams expectations, "We want to knock off a couple of good teams and pick up a ranking."

SUPERSPORTS '93

EVENTS

Obstacle Course
High/Long Jump
Basketball Shootout
Running Relay
Swimming Relay
Cut-Throat Volleyball

Date: April 24

Sign In Time: 9:15 A.M.

Where: Peterson

Who: Four Guys and Four Girls

Free Cookout And Concert Following On Slavin Lawn

Back In The Swing

by Justin Maccione
Sports Writer

When a team is unable to practice before their first game of the season, it's difficult to achieve a high level of play. The PC Friar golf team faced this problem last weekend, opening their spring season in Florida, far away from the snow which has covered Rhode Island golf courses this month. The lack of practice hurt the Friars at the Embry Riddle Tournament in Palm Coast, but they still managed to eke out a respectable 18th place finish out of 25 teams.

This was a good showing for PC considering most of the other teams were playing golf the last few weeks. The Friars were paced by junior Kevin Magner who shot a team high 233 (80-78-75). Mark Swiertsen came in second with a 242 (80-86-76), and senior Gil D'Andrea had two strong final rounds to end up with a 246 (89-77-80). Almost everyone's scores improved

after the first round, which was their first round of golf of the year.

Senior co-captains Mark Brightman and Mark Ghelfi were disappointed with their showing, but feel that the strokes will decrease once they're able to practice regularly.

Brightman commented, "It didn't help that we hadn't practiced this year, but the heavy winds created lousy playing conditions at Palm Coast, which made it even more difficult for us to get our game in shape."

"The snow around here has hurt us, so we just have to hope that the courses around here become playable," Ghelfi added. "We have a tournament scheduled for next Monday which is up in the air right now, but this was a good weekend for us to get our timing down."

The Friars are scheduled to face WPI and Bentley at the Metacomet Country Club in Salem (MA) on March 29.

Athlete of the Week Highlight



Michael Smith's rebound with seconds to play against West Virginia was perhaps the most important of his career.

A Re-Lax-ing Off Season

Icemen Bell and Gould Join Lax Team

by Rusty Newell
Sports Writer

There is good news and bad news for Providence's men's lacrosse team this year. The bad news is fairly obvious if you look out your window; winter does not want to go away this year and the Friars, who normally hit the practice field by the first of March, have only been outside once. Home games against Stony Brook and Harford have been postponed, and this Saturday's homestand against Hofstra will be played away at Hofstra's greener pastures.

The good news is that the Friars return 22 lettermen, 17 of which are upperclassmen. Never has Coach Kevin Murray had the level of depth and experience that he will put

on the field this year. Recently the Friars' depth was increased by two familiar athletes in the PC family; freshmen hockey players Justin Gould and Bob Bell. They will join an already strong midfield line that features Dan Bianco, the second leading scorer for the Friars last season with 24 goals and 28 assists for 52 points.

Coach Murray appeared happy about the new additions to the squad. "These are the first guys in my seven years here that have played another sport at PC besides lacrosse. They've added a lot of depth, and they'll definitely help out. It will take time for them to get adjusted and get used to the plays, but they can pretty much get it down quickly."

With the added depth gained from Gould and Bell, the laxmen may be able to shuffle players to bolster the young, inexperienced attack line. Presently Stephen Kelley, the team's fifth leading scorer last year with 21 points, is the only proven commodity at attack. The only other attack veterans are: sophomore Andy Hersom and John Gengras.

The midfield line consists of Bianco, juniors Craig Tuma and Steve Iannuccilli, and seniors Bob Murphy and Alex Vetter. Iannuccilli was the fourth leading scorer on the team last year. (12-13-25). What does Coach Murray believe the freshmen hockey stand-outs can add to this year's success? "Justin is a good player. He is a

great athlete with good size. It's hard to say with Bobby because he has only had one practice with us. He's a little behind, but he's a good athlete. He has a good stick and should help us out." Murray added, "These two are also freshmen. They are good guys and they are into it."

Gould and Bell are still feeling their way into the program. Although they are in great shape physically from hockey, it will take a couple of weeks to adjust to the change of scenery. Gould, an All-League player at St. Sebastian's High School, was the team's leading scorer his junior and senior years. Bell played box lacrosse, a faster indoor version of outdoor lax, in Canada.

Gould stated, "In a week or two I should be in the swing of

things. I'm a little rusty—it's the first time I've picked up a stick in awhile. Hopefully I'll fit in." When asked why he decided to enter another sport's gruelling season after just leaving another, he said, "After the first week of no hockey it was good to get the time off. But I heard Chad was playing and I talked to Coach (McShane) about it. He didn't mind me playing." Gould referred to Chad Quenneville, the hockey team's talented center. Quenneville, an All-American lacrosse player at Connecticut's Westminster School, had decided to play lax at Providence this season, but strained ligaments in his knee and will not continue to play.

Bell explained his experience so far; "Box lacrosse is a lot smaller, faster, but it is the same basic game. It's kind of the same idea. I'm learning it pretty good."

Accompanying the added depth in the middle and possibly the attack lines, is a strong defensive backline. Three-year starter and All-American candidate Mike Theis will lead a defense with great experience. This experience will be found in solid seniors Brian Horan and Matt Cullen. The Friars have one of the better goaltending tandems in New England with seniors Rich Dunphy and Bill Duffin splitting time.

Deceptive Numbers

Tennis Records Don't Tell Full Story

by Matt Moldzinski
Sports Writer

Though the weather wouldn't say so, it's tennis time again! The men's and women's teams have begun the spring installment of their 1992-93 schedule. If there ever was a case of records being deceiving, here is one. The men are presently 0-4, while the women are 1-4. Not exactly impressive numbers, but consider these facts.

The women have lost to three teams ranked in the top 15 in Region 1 in #2 Syracuse, #6 Virginia Commonwealth, and #15 Harvard. The men, playing with three freshmen in the line-up, have lost to two

perennial toughies (Harvard and Brown) and to two loaded squads (Temple and Vermont). Both teams, especially the men, play some of the toughest teams in the East. So neither team has been losing to horrible competition.

Last Friday, it was the Friars versus the Owls, as Temple University came to town. The women were able to split the six singles matches, with #1 Kristin Brooks (6-3, 6-1), #5 Hillary Debbs (6-3, 7-5), and #6 Kathy Meeker (6-3, 7-6) coming up with wins. Unfortunately, Temple won both doubles matches and the final point to be had, and escaped with a 4-3 win. The loss was tough and disappointing, but

Coach LaBranche noticed several positives. "Kathy Meeker and Hillary Debbs both looked good, and Kristin Brooks continued her excellent play," said LaBranche. Brooks (the PC Women's Athlete of the Week) has been excellent all season, actually.

Brooks is presently 16-10 and with four matches left, she has a chance to become PC's first woman player to amass 20 wins in a season. This spring she has beaten the #1 players from Harvard, Cornell, and Temple. The fact that Brooks has played the entire season at #1 makes those 16 wins all the more impressive.

The men likewise played Temple tough. #1 Tom Noud

had a terrific win (6-4, 7-5) and #5 Rich Wager had a strong win (7-6, 6-0) over Brian Bost. But PC couldn't grab another singles win and the Owls took home a sweep of PC with a 4-2 win. "I'm not disappointed in the boys at all," noted LaBranche. "We played a loaded Temple team right to the wire. We play a tough schedule all spring, so we need people to keep stepping up their games." The men's team is young so this entire spring will be a valuable experience to all of the men.

The men and women are not bad teams, though the numbers may say they are. They play good teams and play them close. So don't let the stats fool you!

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once again make his presence known in the outfield this year. The junior centerfielder led all starters last year with a .359 batting average and in runs scored with 52. Seniors Lou Merloni and Phil Ierardi will be anchoring the Friar infield this year. Playing shortstop last year, Merloni batted .347 and finished second in home runs with 8 and RBI's with 49. Ierardi is looking to close out his final season with a great year. The big first baseman brings power to the plate and hopes to improve on his 8 home runs and 34 RBIs from the season before. Jim Foster will finish his PC career behind the plate for the Friars. The senior catcher batted .321 with 7 home runs and 49 RBIs last year.

On the mound, the Friars hope for John Garside to repeat on an impressive freshman year. Garside went 5-0 on the season with a 3.82 ERA. Senior Tony DeAngelo is hoping to close out his career with a big season. He was 5-3 last year with a 4.14 last year. A key to the Friars pitching success however, will be fresh-

man Mike Kendzierski. The big right hander was drafted in the eighth round by the Toronto Blue Jays but chose to come to PC. "We need him to not be a freshman," continued Kostacopoulos. "He has to step up right away."

The same can be said about all the young players. The quicker they come to form, the quicker the Friars successes will be. "The freshmen need to adjust from high school pitching to college pitching," added Kostacopoulos. "We are ten games into the season and are seniors are leading in all offensive categories, but that is to be expected."

The season should be interesting for the Friars. The league is very balanced. "Any one of six teams can win the league this year," said Kostacopoulos. "The goal is to see who can get on track first. If we can put the components for a winning team together early, we will have the edge." Depending on field conditions, the Friars next game may be at Holy Cross on Sunday.

Sheraton Tara Scoreboard

This Week in Providence College Sports

Friday, March 26	Outdoor Track at North Carolina State Relays	TBA
Saturday, March 27	Outdoor track at North Carolina State Relays	TBA
	Baseball at Seton Hall (DH)	12:00 p.m.
	SOFTBALL VS. BOSTON UNIVERSITY	1:00 p.m.
	LACROSSE VS. HOFSTRA	2:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 28	Baseball at Seton Hall	12:00 p.m.
Monday, March 29	Golf vs. WPI and Bentley (at Metacomet Country Club)	TBA
Tuesday, March 30	BASEBALL VS. BRYANT	3:00 p.m.
	Softball at UCONN	2:30 p.m.
	Golf vs. BC, Harvard and Northeastern (at Kirkbrae Country Club)	TBA
Wednesday, March 31	Men's Tennis at Boston University	2:00 p.m.
	BASEBALL VS. RHODE ISLAND	3:00 p.m.
	SOFTBALL VS. HOLY CROSS (ALL HOME GAMES IN CAPS)	

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Under Their Watchful Eye

Mike Theis and Danny Bianco Hope To Lead Laxmen Into Their Best Season

by Ted Hazard
Sports Interviewer

This season should be exciting for the 1993 PC men's lacrosse team. Led by senior co-captains, Danny Bianco and Mike Theis, this year's squad is experienced and solid. 1993 could possibly be the finest season for PC lacrosse in its 13-year history.

"The team is looking good.

We have depth this year and the freshmen have good potential," says four-year starter and second year captain Mike Theis. Coach Murray has twenty-two lettermen returning this spring, seventeen of which are upperclassmen. Experience is definitely the strength of this team.

"We have ten seniors on the team, most of whom have started all three years," says

Theis, who is considered one of the best to ever play PC lacrosse.

"There is a lot of optimism for this season. The seniors have played together for four years now, and we know each other like the backs of our hands," says Mike the ground ball record holder at PC with 114 last season and Southport, CT, native. "The senior class has taken a big role this year. We are trying to take the younger players under our wing to help them out because we have the experience."

"As freshmen, we started right off the bat," says the 5th leading scorer in PC history and second year captain Danny Bianco. "To win we have to play well together. If we get a good, strong effort every game we can beat any team on our schedule."

The PC men's lacrosse team is pumped up and ready for their first game. The team was looking to get off to a quick start with the first five games scheduled at home, but due to inclement weather, the first game against Stony Brook has been canceled and the second game versus Hartford has been postponed. PC opens the season Saturday at 17th ranked Hofstra.

"The first game will be tough. Hofstra should be good test to see how much the guys want to win this year," says Theis. "We played (nationally ranked) UMASS tough last year and now ranked teams want to play us. They see us as an up-and-coming team with the potential to be ranked. But, switching games around is tough. We were getting geared up for Stony Brook and now we have to prepare Hofstra," says Bianco, a four year starter at midfield.

Playing inside is a hard

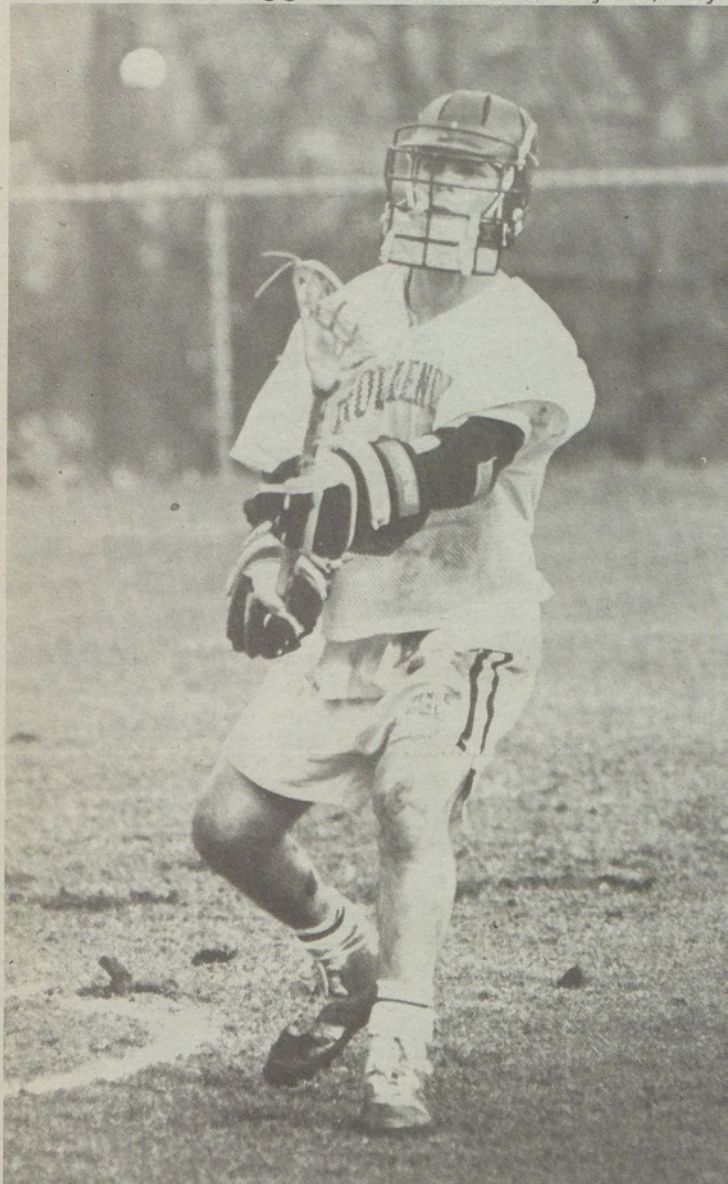
task for any team accustomed to the spring mud and summer sun. Mother Nature has not been kind this year. "It is tough for morale. We usually get outside in the first week of March. Going outside is like turning over a new leaf," says defensive leader Theis. "One of the team goals is to stay healthy and running on the track is hurting some of the guys. We are try-

ing to stay positive about being inside," says Bianco.

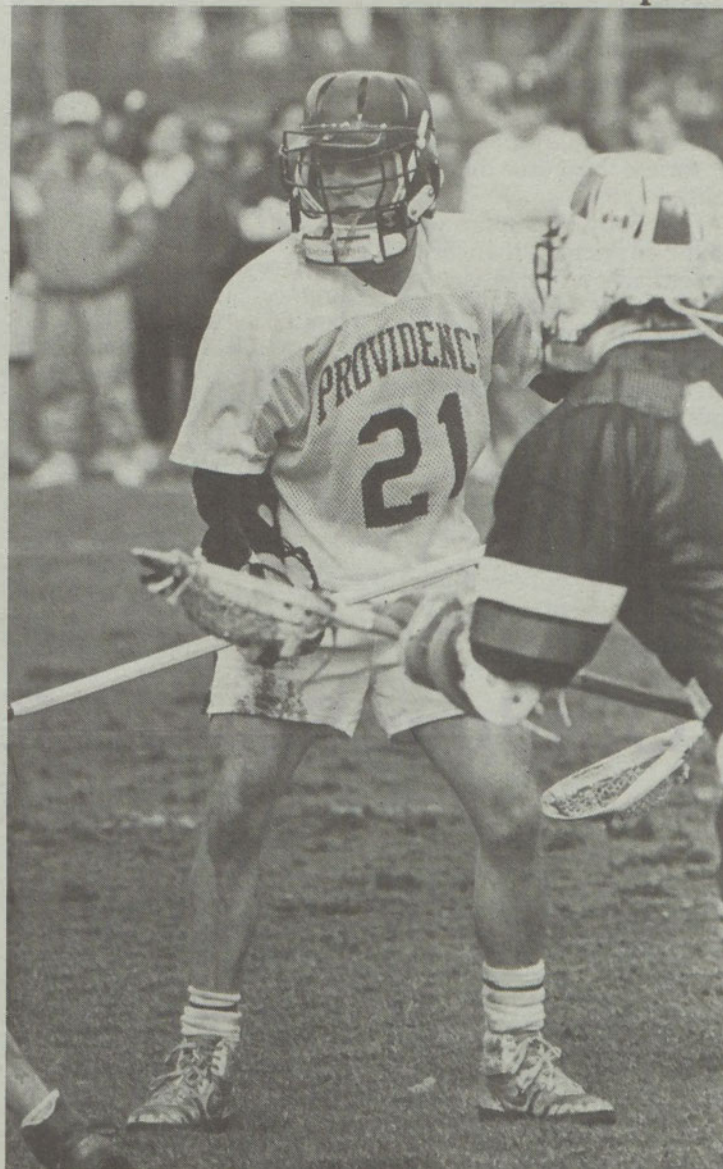
The Friars have all the tools to have an impressive 1993 campaign. The team only lost three seniors from last year, but one was Ed Loiselle, the second leading scorer in the nation with 52 goals. "Anytime you lose a fifty-goal scorer, things will slow down.

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Barring injury, Danny Bianco should break the Friars' all-time point mark midway through the season.



Mike Theis may be the greatest all-around lacrosse player that PC has ever seen.

Blast From The Past

Friars Post Season Paved With Familiar Foes

by Steve McCorry
Assistant Sports Editor

The Providence Friars are re-living their past. Call it de ja vu or a reoccurring nightmare, but it's happening. In 1991, PC posted a 17-12 regular season record culminated by a first round victory over St. John's in the Big East Tournament. Their run in the league finale ended because the extraordinary talents of soon to be N.B.A star Alonzo Mourning of Georgetown proved overwhelming. On the Sunday following that loss, Eric Murdock and company watched in anguish as 7 teams from the Big East were chosen (even Villanova at 16-14) to participate in the NCAA Tournament and Providence wasn't one of them. Accepting the NIT bid, that year's Friars went on to beat James

Madison and West Virginia before falling to Oklahoma, one game away from a return trip to Madison Square Garden. Two years later...

In 1993 Providence brought a 16-10 mark to New York City and added to it with an impressive opening round win against Connecticut. Again, the Seton Hall Pirates won the league tournament, and again the Friars succumbed to the efforts of a player who appears destined for a prosperous career at the next level in Terry Dehere. The Friars recently watched yet another bracket revealing telecast that excluded themselves, but instead awarded 3 other Big East schools (including Pittsburgh at 17-10). The Friars would participate in the National Invitational Tournament for the 11th

time in their program's history. PC's first two opponents were inevitable choices.

Last Thursday the Dukes of James Madison made a return trip to the Providence Civic Center to take on Providence in the first round of the NIT. The Friars received a rousing two minute plus standing ovation from their real fans before tip-off as if to say, "You did your best guys. It's not your fault you weren't invited to the NCAA's." PC shook off a slow start to gradually pull away midway through the first half. A lay-up by Michael Brown made possible by Smith's pick started the run. Abdul found Franklin Western for the jumper and Troy Brown for the slam to make it 20-16 Providence.

The Friars began the second half up by 7 and pro-

ceeded to roar ahead for good. Dickey opened with a big time dunk and Abdul continued to be the quarterback of the offense. The little man that can, led a fast break only to feed the rock to Tony Turner at the end for a basket and the foul. He found Smith on a slant up the middle for a lay-up, and Western who stuck with what he does best and pulled up on the break to hit the jump shot. The running Friars! This is our way of playing basketball. The final score was 73-61 Providence. The Friars appeared to gain a new sense of purpose: Ignore the NOT delivered by Tom Butters and the NCAA Tournament Selection Committee and concentrate on the NIT.

West Virginia, who was the preseason favorite in the Atlantic 10, was the next team

standing in the way of Providence. It was more like 6-8, 245 junior Mountaineer Ricky Robinson stood between Michael Smith and the quarterfinals. This duo would put on quite a show for the approximately 6,000 in attendance who have had an effect themselves on the post-season according to Coach Rick Barnes. "I think the crowd these two games has been tremendous. Those people in those seats deserve to have them. I told our players these are your real fans."

Michael Smith struck first by grabbing 3 consecutive defensive rebounds while delivering 3 equally impressive yells. Michael Brown's double pump jump shot put the Fri-

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NY-Bound

Friars' 20th Win Earns NIT Final Four Berth

by John Raposo
Sports Editor

The Friars have reverted to the most effective way of protesting their snubbing from the NCAA's. Rather than wonder what could have been and whose bracket they would have fallen into, PC has decided to play their hearts out in the NIT and try to win the whole damn thing.

After advancing in the first two rounds of the NIT in less than convincing fashion, the Friars proved to the rest of the NIT field that this is a tournament they want, derailing streaking Boston College, 75-58, for the third time this season.

Nobody was more emphatic in victory than Friar center Dickey Simpkins, who tied a career high with 23 points and nine rebounds. The under appreciated center out dueled his more celebrated counterpart, Billy Curley, who finished with 12 points and five rebounds. Michael Smith was again a terror in the blocks, hauling down 18 rebounds and adding 12 points.

The Friars, who captured 20 wins for the first time in the Rick Barnes Era and the first

time since the 1987 Final Four team, will now face Minnesota in the NIT Final Four on Monday (9:00 p.m.) at Madison Square Garden.

"Every game since the beginning of league play, we've felt as though we were the underdog," said Simpkins, who helped the Friars enjoy a 45-23 rebounding advantage over the Eagles. "We've put all of that behind us though. I just feel that if we play hard and crash the boards, we will come out on top."

PC erupted out to an early 8-0 lead, which was capped off by a Simpkins slam on a feed from Tony Turner (14 points and six rebounds). BC came rolling back, scoring 11 of the next 13 points to take their first and only lead of the game, 11-10. The Friars ended the first half with a 10-5 run to lead 31-22 going into the half.

Perhaps a harbinger of the good things to come was the announcement of Mayor Ray Flynn (PC Class of '63), the newly appointed Ambassador to the Vatican to the BC crowd. Flynn was the MVP of the NIT in 1963, when the Friars defeated Rick Barry and the Miami Hurricanes.

Flynn may have brought some of the magic of his 38-point championship game performance into the arena for the Friars.

The first half was uncharacteristically up-and-down and not that physical between these two Big East rivals. Oddly, there was only one foul shot in the first half.

"We knew this was going to be the type of game with Big East intensity," said Turner. "We just played hard and turned it up when we needed to."

"It's never easy to win on an opponents' floor," said Franklin Western, who poured in 12 points on six for 10 shooting. "BC had been playing very well heading in to the game, but so had we. We just took it to them when we had to."

The Eagles (39.6% FG) could never break the Friars' double-digit lead in the second half. When Michael Brown hit a pair of free throws late in the game, all five starters had reached double figures in scoring, a feat not accomplished for some time.

But the story of the game was the emergence of Simpkins, the multi-talented

and oft-maligned center of the Friars. Simpkins bore a lot of the blame of the early season failures, and he relished the chance to play against Curley, the First Team All-Big East center.

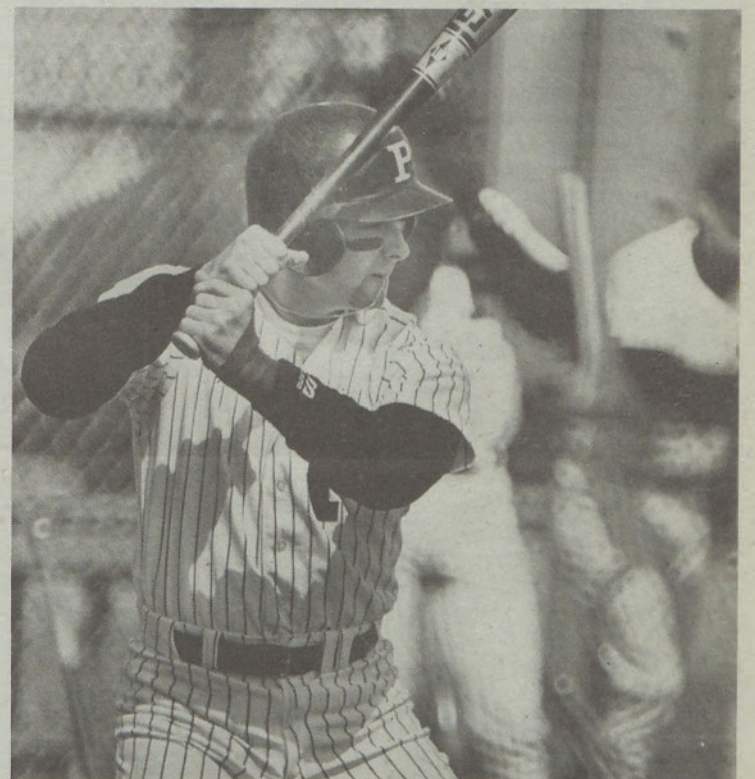
"All season long, you hear Bill Curley this and Bill Curley that," Simpkins added. "He's a good player, but I came here to play tough and take it to him. I'm always trying to earn the respect I think that I de-

serve. I still don't feel that it's there, but as long as we win then it's all right."

Turner, who hit both of his three-pointers, talked about Simpkins' performance after the game. "Dickey doesn't get the respect as Billy Curley does, and I think that he deserves it. I'm really happy for him."

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Ready To Defend



Red Sox draftee, Lou Merloni, is primed to show that last year's Big East championship was no fluke.

by Jim Heffley
Sports Writer

It's spring (which you probably haven't noticed if you look outside), and with spring comes baseball. Not to worry. The baseball team is still alive and well. No, PC has not rented out Hendricken Field to the Providence Public Works Department so they can run bulldozer drills. This is Rhode Island, remember, and spring in Rhode Island means lots of rain and threats of snow till May. So while the rest of us have been digging out of the "Blizzard of '93", the baseball team has continued to sharpen their skills in the friendly, homey, confines of Petersen Recreation Center, ten games behind on their schedule. Yet, they are ready to go outdoors and start their defense of the Big East championship.

The key word for the Friars this season is "youth", and they are a very young team. The Friars lost a talented group of players to graduation last year including Don Martone, who finished his career leading in all but 3 team offensive categories. Also, the duo of Tom Murray and Earl Smith, who combined to form a very powerful offensive punch, will be hard to replace.

"To compare this years team to last years team would be unfair," said head coach Paul Kostacopoulos. "When you have a year like last one, it's hard to stay on that kind of a level."

The PC Friars surprised a lot of people by coming from the middle of the pack in the Big East and winning the Big East Championship over a tough UCONN squad. That win propelled the Friars into the NCAA Championships, a place PC hadn't been since 1974. In the championships, the Friars played defending national champion LSU tough before losing 8-1 and defeated a nationally ranked South Alabama team 4-0 before succumbing to Ohio State by a score of 7-6 in a 12 inning, season ending affair.

Despite losing good players from last years squad, the Friars still have a strong team returning. All-American Mike Lyons will

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Outdoor Season Kicks Off

NC State Relays This Weekend

by Julie Carroll
Assistant Sports Editor

It seems hard to believe but, yes, spring is here and yes, another season of track is well under-way. Despite illness and injury, the indoor track season was not a complete disappointment, with Andy Keith coming in second in the NCAA mile with a time of 4:00.27. Coach Treacy is quite anxious though to put the season behind and concentrate on a healthier and improved start. It was not a very successful season for the women, considering they were plagued for the most part by flu and the men plagued mostly by injury and illness.

This weekend will officially mark the start of the outdoor season with Providence competing at the NC State Relays.

For the men, Treacy is looking for the return of Mark Carroll to spice the season up. He will be competing in the 1500m. and should be one of the leading contenders for National honors this season. Andy Keith, having come in second at Nationals in the mile, is looking to improve his time in the 1500m. and be a leading contender of the NCAA's.

Coming off a very strong indoor season, Mark Burdis is expected to be "one of the best 3000m steeplechasers in the country," commented Treacy. Nick Jackson should also make it a threesome (He, Keith, and Carroll) for qualification in the NCAA 1500m.

Treacy hopes that the talent of these men will combine and be in full force come April. At this time Providence will be faced with top competition from the likes of Arkansas in

the Championship of America 4 x 1500m. at the Penn Relays. Treacy expects that, "this will be the ultimate classic battle."

Treacy also expects that the tremendous progress of freshman Andy Wedlake and Jose Libano throughout indoor season will continue throughout this season.

For the women Treacy is praying that the effects of the flu, which lingered on throughout indoor season, have gone and that his team can start fresh.

Sinead Delahunty is a huge loss in the women's quest to defend their Championship of America Distance Medley title at the Penn Relays. Treacy stated that instead, he will be looking for Amy Rudolph and Dionne Wilson to step up and make the relay team a top contender amongst the likes of Villanova, Georgetown, and Alabama.

Jean Hughes and Vanessa Malloy are obvious NCAA qualifiers in the distance events and will contribute enormously to the teams strength in this area. Natalie Davey is showing signs of coming back to her All-American form from freshman year. If this happens the women will be very strong in the middle distance area. Meghan McCarthy will be returning after missing the indoor season and should be a NCAA qualifier in the 3000m.

It should be a very exciting and informative weekend for PC track, so good luck PC!

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