

# New meal plan causes confusion, chaos

**Michael J. Walsh '97**  
*News Writer*

The newly revised meal plan at Providence College has been met with enthusiasm or apathy by most students. This semester all students on the meal plan have the option of dining in Raymond, Alumni or Mural during the week and weekend according to their meal plan. Administration has also offered a seven meal per week meal plan to all students living in apartments on or off campus, with the same options as the regular meal plans.

The idea behind the meal plan, proposed by Mark McGovern and Mike Halveles of food services, according to Fr. McPhail, was to respond to student complaints about the meal plan with a

“real and concrete” change to the plan. This is a valiant and forward looking change with positive and negative attributes.

The most obvious problems are the long lines and overcrowding at both Alumni and Mural. Deanna Conlon '96 Off Campus President and Alumni Cafe worker, commented that the plan has “good intentions, but we (Alumni Cafe) don’t have the facilities to handle all these people and nobody’s benefiting from it.”

Overall, it appears that Freshmen and Sophomores love the changes while Juniors and Seniors sympathize with the underclassmen but hate the new plan. Kathy Reid '95 Class Treasurer opened debate on this issue Monday night at the weekly Student Congress meeting during general discussion. “A lot of my fellow classmates asked me to bring this matter up because they were concerned that Alumni is understaffed and that there is no where to sit and socialize with friends.”

Responding to the long lines and overcrowding at Alumni Cafe, the staff at Raymond cafe has added a daily grill line to their menu. The grill line will offer hamburgers, cheeseburgers, grill cheese, french fries, and bacon at all weekday lunches and every dinner. Mr. Halveles of Raymond Cafe hopes this new line will bring students back to Raymond Cafe. Kate Kennedy '97 said she likes “the alternatives provided but due to the lines I only go to alumni if it’s say Virginia ham in Raymond, now that their offering an expanded meal plan I’ll probably stay in Ray.” Of the same mind

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**Congested lines are becoming a problem with those who have limited time.**

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## Plans set for Commencement

**Dave Canal '98**  
*News Writer*

It's official. Providence College has chosen Jane Pauley, NBC News' co-host of "Dateline NBC" as this year's Commencement Speaker. Commencement this year will be held on Sunday, May 21 at the Providence Civic Center. It was also decided that Tony Award winner Joel Grey will star in the Commencement Eve Pops Concert at 8pm on Saturday, May 20 in Schneider Arena.

In November, the PC Commencement Committee, comprised of students, faculty, and alumni, extended their invitation to Mrs. Pauley. It was made official with her acceptance last week. Joseph Brum, Vice President of Alumni Development, is a member of the committee and gave several reasons why Mrs. Pauley was chosen to speak, "This year's commencement marks the 20th

anniversary of the graduation of the first co-ed class at Providence College. We felt that it would be appropriate to have a woman speaker who is at the top of her field." Blum added, "Mrs. Pauley is an excellent speaker and we are very excited with her acceptance to speak on Commencement Day."

Jane Pauley is a graduate of Indiana University in Bloomington where she received a bachelor's degree with a major in political science. Pauley joined NBC in October 1976 as a co-anchor of "Today", a position which she held for thirteen years. While on "Today", along with Tom Brokaw and later Bryant Gumbel, Pauley traveled to such countries as China, Japan, Australia, and Rome to cover major international events and to interview significant people in the news.

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## Dismissals ignite action

**Theresa Edo '96**  
*News Editor*

Mrs. Frances Shipp, Director of Academic Services and Dr. Owen Logue, Dean of Academic Services were fired in early January. This is rather sudden because the two were members of the PC community last semester.

Rev. Thomas D. McGonigle, O.P., Vice President for Academic Administration, cited "irreconcilable policy and management differences" when he informed the public that the two had been relieved of their duties. Shipp had been a member of the college staff for 14 years, while Logue had been at Providence for a year and a half. Their departure ignited action from those who were close to them and even a few who were not.

When *The Cowl* spoke with Shipp she explained that she was instructed by

the college not to make any statements about the situation at this time. Dr. Logue could not be reached for comment.

"He (Dr. Logue) was not just my advisor. Dr. Logue did so much for so many people. He was a friend - to me and to everyone," Shawn Carey '95 emphatically stated.

Logue was also senior Kerri Fitzgerald's advisor. As soon as she and some other close friends of Logue's heard the news they decided to create a petition. It expressed their shock over the unexpected administrative action. They quickly circulated the letter and respectfully submitted it to President Rev. Philip A. Smith, O.P. and Fr. McGonigle's offices. The women gathered around 90 signatures but were confident that they could have recieved

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# Commencement announcement

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In 1986, Pauley, along with Bryant Gumbel was named the 1986 Broadcaster of the Year by the International Radio and Television Society. In 1988, she was co-anchor along with "Today's" Jimmy Cefalo and NBC Sportscaster Gayle Gardner, of NBC's morning coverage of the 1988 Seoul Summer Olympics.

Pauley's most significant work was done as the anchor of the weekly program "Real Life with Jane Pauley". This program examined many of the real life situations that many less fortunate Americans face each

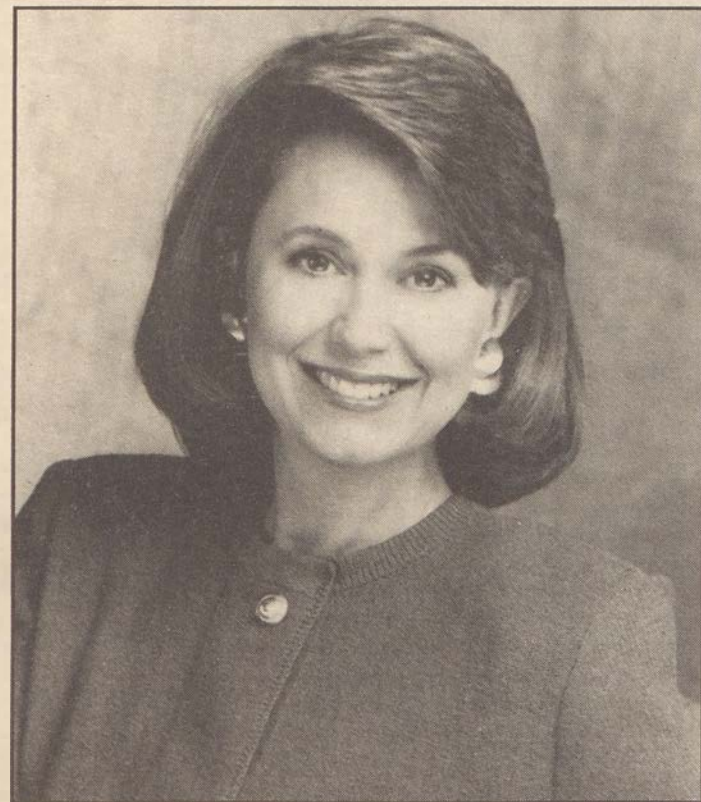
day. Today, Pauley is the co-anchor of "Dateline NBC" along with Stone Phillips.

Starring in the Commencement Eve Pops Concert will be Tony Award winner Joel Grey. Although the name Joel Grey may be unfamiliar to many Providence College students, Grey is by no means as inexperienced entertainer. At age 62, Joel Grey has been dazzling audiences in one form or another for the past fifty years. Grey's works can be seen on stage, screen, television, at nightclubs, and at concert venues.

Joel Grey is best known for his Tony and Academic Award-winning performance as the Master of Ceremonies in both

the stage and film version of "Cabaret". His performance garnered him a Tony Award for Best Supporting Actor in a Broadway Musical and, for the 1972 film version, he won the Oscar for Best Supporting Actor. Furthermore, throughout his career, Grey has been nominated for four Tony awards in such plays as "George M", "Goodtime Charlie", and "The Grand Tour".

Recently, Joel Grey has appeared in the Emmy nominated television series "Brooklyn Bridge". Also, last spring, Grey collaborated with director/choreographer Graciela Daniele in the critically-acclaimed one-man musical, "Herringbone".



Publications photo

Jane Pauley will help mark PC's 20th co-ed graduation.

## PC grad involved in AIDS discovery

Robin L. Erickson '97

News Writer

A decade ago, Providence College alumnus Dr. Robert C. Gallo made an incredible discovery about AIDS. Gallo and his team at the National Cancer Institute found and identified the virus that causes AIDS—a virtually unknown disease ten years ago. What followed this discovery was the outpouring of money and research into this deadly virus. But all was not well. Shortly following this amazing finding, a horrible scandal arose. It was discovered that the virus Gallo detected was almost exactly like the one French researchers had discovered just one year earlier.

What resulted was ten years of arguments with the French to decide who could claim the rights to the patent for the AIDS blood test. These ongoing disputes blemished Gallo's image and career—a career that has seen remarkable achievements. Dr. Gallo is no stranger to success. He is also credited with identifying the first cancer-causing virus to be found in humans. Dr. Robert C. Gallo was born in Waterbury, Connecticut and is a 1959 graduate of Providence College. He says PC definitely played a role in his career by teaching him to work hard to achieve success.

Recently, Gallo visited Rhode Island Hospital in Providence to address doctors and other health professionals on the latest findings at the National Cancer Institute. During a later

interview, it was easy to see that Dr. Gallo is still very bitter about the decade-long scandal. He feels he lost precious time and money, as did American taxpayers.

So, whatever happened to this big scandal? Well, the way Gallo figures it, in the race to identify the AIDS virus, both researchers from France and America were exchanging samples and ideas. It is very probable that one of these samples contaminated Gallo's cultures, unbeknownst to him. He claims he had no reason to "steal" the French virus, since he had already made great discoveries on his own.

Nevertheless, Dr. Gallo was

behind him, Dr. Robert Gallo is still moving forward with his AIDS research. He has devised new approaches to this deadly disease, one of which is gene therapy. Gallo sees great promise in the future of AIDS research. He states that a decade ago, there were only a handful of research groups. Now, there is worldwide interest in AIDS research, and there is increasing involvement of pharmaceutical companies in the research process.

Gallo still maintains that education is the key when it comes to understanding and preventing AIDS. He begs us not to become complacent with this disease just because it may

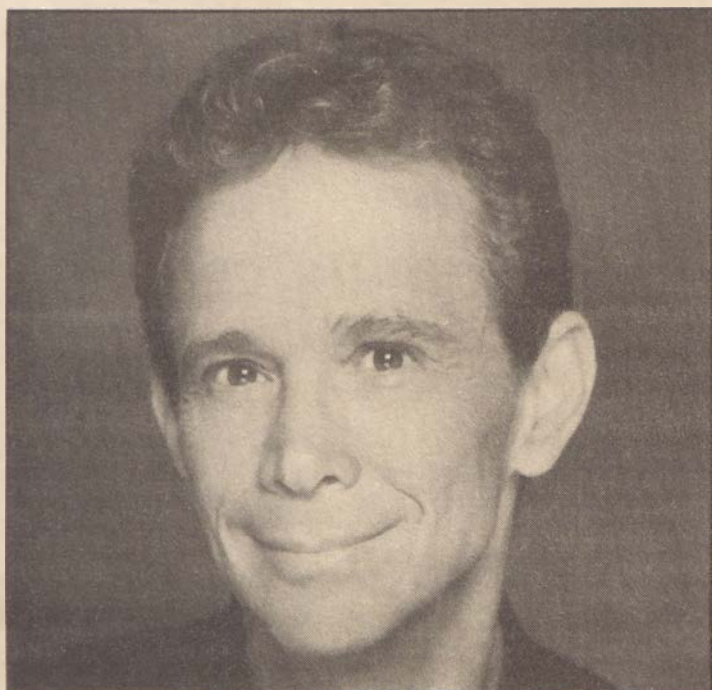
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accused of scientific misconduct by federal investigators. They said he fails to give proper credit to researchers in his 1984 paper. Last year, however, the charges were dropped, and just last summer, French and American health agencies reapportioned the royalties from the AIDS blood test to allow the French to cash in on the finding.

With this whole mess finally

not affect us personally. Dr. Gallo stresses that AIDS has the power to wipe out whole societies, and we must help in halting the spread of it. Between our continuing education on AIDS and Dr. Gallo's ongoing research, it is very possible that one day AIDS will no longer be such a prevalent word in our vocabulary.

Information based on a *Providence Journal* article



Publications photo

Joel Grey will dazzle audiences at commencement.

## New Meal Plan

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was Dan Connelly '98 who mentioned that "It broadens the options, and students seem to favor it."

Mike Lowe '97 commented that "The new preprocessed grill line is a great idea offering variety to everyone. But incorporating the deli line with the grill line creates longer lines than before." Brain Antonelli '97 agreed adding "It's nice to see the food program make adjustments regardless of their limited facilities to meet the demands of the students."

"I think it's about time they implemented this new system (grill line) in Ray because the lines in Alumni were out of con-

trol," commented Martha Casey '96. Cathy Olender '97 Chairperson of the Food Service Committee observed that "Raymond is all you can eat, and I predict students will eventually return. It's just a fad." Fad or not the new meal plan is a great idea and once all the kinks are worked out it should serve the students well.

Now that this plan is in effect and likely to remain permanent according to Fr. McPhail the question arises of what will be done with Raymond in the future. There are renovation plans on the table but no official action has been taken to implement any such plan. Maybe next years freshmen will see it before they graduate.

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# New tradition underway

Theresa Edo '96

News Editor

This past weekend marked the successful merger of Harvestfest and Alumni Weekend into the newly refined Winter Carnival Weekend. With a variety of events the Alumni Development Office drew a multitude of PC grads back to campus to meet old friends and reminisce about their time spent the campus.

"There was a very positive response to the new format," said Kathleen Maddox '93, of the Alumni Office.

Except for the Saturday basketball game all the events were held on-campus because there is not a facility in Rhode Island large enough to hold the visiting crowd. On Saturday night alone there were between 1500 and 1600 alumni and around 600 students in attendance, according to Maddox. Most of those who returned graduated within the years 1987 and 1994, with about 700 to 800 from earlier years. There were three days of activities planned to keep them busy.

One '93 grad commented, "Students are so lucky to still have time left here. We alumni have to cram four years of college experiences into the one weekend!"

The question of whether Seniors will be allowed to purchase tickets next year has not even been addressed yet, according to Maddox. The Alumni Office will be sticking with the Winter Weekend theme. Although, nothing will

be planned until next year's basketball schedule is made.

Friday evening was the Friar Hockey PC vs. UMASS game at Schneider Arena. Also, an event dubbed "Fire and Ice" was held in Slavin Center which included dancing, drinks, and many theme food stations. This night was open to the whole PC community.

Chris Leahy '97 worked the event as a representative of the Friars Club. "There seemed to be a great deal of current students and hardly any alumni," he said. "I'm not sure if I would return to PC after graduation for this particular event."

The center of the weekend was around the Saturday afternoon Friar Basketball game against the Syracuse Orangemen. Although PC was defeated 60 - 59, the enthusiasm of the crowd at the Civic Center could not be matched. That night there was a buffet dinner at the Westin Hotel in downtown Providence. At nine o'clock the actual Winterfest began. The over 21 event in Peterson Recreation Center was in the spirit of the traditional Harvestfest. Music from the dance band "The Touch", drink service, and snacks were provided.

"It was like 195 days revisited!" said Tola Abide '95. There were such a massive amount of people that it was difficult to control everyone. "It was a zoo. So many alumni and students were coming up with untrue stories about lost purses and altered travel plans trying to buy tickets or even sneak in," said Katie Robinson '96.



About 2000 alumni gathered in Peterson Rec Center on Saturday night for Winterfest.

photo by Joe Raczyński

## More from Balfour

Judith Colonna '95

News Writer

Once again, the Balfour Center has been working diligently on numerous multicultural events for the PC community to partake in, and the list below is a brief summary of the activities for the rest of the month through February. If you have any questions and desire more information, contact the center at x2738; someone will be there to answer your questions, and your participation is encouraged.

On January 31, from 3:30-6:30 PM in '64 Hall, Balfour is sponsoring a Multicultural Awareness Festival for Women,

Men, and Children Touched by Culture. The festival will include a panel discussion made of faculty and students, and all are welcomed to join in the International Group Dancing at the end.

The next day, Wednesday, February 1, the center is holding an Open House to reveal the annual cookbook and display the office decorations for Black History month. So, to enlighten your knowledge of Black History, purchase a well-organized multicultural cookbook, or just stop by and get acquainted with fellow community members, go to Harkins 308 next week.

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# PC marches for life

Mary M. Shaffrey '97

Asst. News Editor

There was a time when they thought they wouldn't make it. The bus was already 45 minutes late, and the snow was not stopping. But they did make it. Thirteen students from PC, along with students from BU, MIT, Harvard and RIC traveled to Washington D.C. on Monday, for the 22nd Annual Right to Life March.

enough (about abortion). Furthermore, we decided to go to DC to show our support for the cause."

Victor Bergeron '96 agreed. "I'm glad PC finally went to the march. I'm sick of being embarrassed by the Jesuits of BC who always go, and PC, the more conservative school aligned with the Dominicans, not going."

Such schools as Seton Hall,

who live right in downtown DC. When the PC group found their little nitch during the speeches, the Dominican Friars were right in front of them, which was purely coincidental. After getting separated from the Friars during the actual march, the students met up with them in front of the Supreme Court, where Brother Jim Sullivan, O.P. invited the group back to the Dominican House for Mass and dinner.

When back at the house some students opted to tour the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, which is located right next to the house. During the dinner, students were welcomed by all the resident Dominican Fathers and Brothers, who joined them.

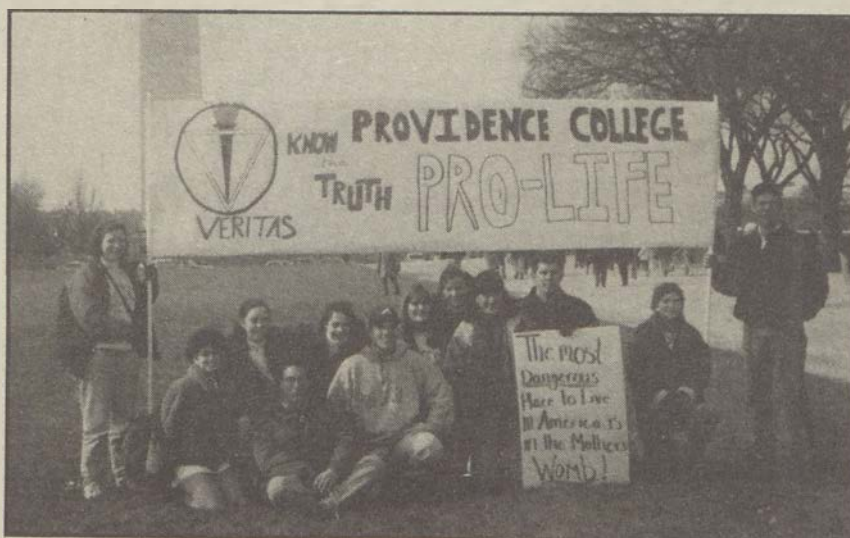
First time marcher Kayla Santucci '95 commented, "The Dominicans were so

unbelievably welcoming, and they didn't even know us. It was amazing that after seeing them away from PC, I realize how much we take them for granted, and we have them right here on campus."

Maggie Murphy '95 agreed. "I was so impressed with how the Dominicans took care of us. They made the trip really special. Its neat how you can come all the way from Providence, RI and still feel right at home."

Plans are already in progress to make the trip again next year. "I want people to see how PC really does care, and that when people know the truth, they can't help but fight for it!" concluded Roque.

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courtesy of Mary Shaffrey

This year is the first year PC sent a delegation to the march in Washington D.C.

The bus left the Huxley gate entrance around 2:00am on Monday morning and arrived in DC at 9:30. Approximately 85,000 people from all around the country traveled to DC to hear fellow pro-life speakers, and then participate in the march.

The march itself, had participants walk about 25 blocks from the rally itself, up Constitution Ave, and then in front of the Supreme Court.

This is the first year in awhile that PC has sent a delegation. According to Catherine Roque '96, the contact person, the group made the trek for several reasons. "I thought the issue should be brought out in the open. The PC community doesn't seem to be aware

Penn State, Notre Dame and the University of Stubenville (Ohio) had delegations as well.

Many of the participants, especially those who went for the first time, were surprised at the lack of pro-choice people that came to express their opinion. A possible reason for this is due to the recent radical violent actions, such as those by John Salvi, towards clinic operators.

"I expected more face-to-face conflict... I think the message that we wanted to portray got across due to our large numbers, and the fact that we were well received," commented Jennifer Piehler '97.

One of the most ironic events of the whole day was meeting the Dominican Friars,

## Back already?

Erin Piorek '96

News Writer

For sophomores, juniors, and seniors, starting classes January 17 was a new experience. Some were glad to escape their parents and return to their lives here. Others are still complaining that winter break was too short this year. Don Mahoney, a junior here at PC, said, "I don't like it because a lot of people didn't have the chance to make as much money as they would have if the break was longer. Also, I don't understand why they cut our break a week and still couldn't find time for a reading period." That seems to be the question on everyone's mind.

According to Dr. Laurent Gousie, Registrar, the holidays had to be juggled around as a result of certain minor changes that were made in the academic calendar this year.

To be considered an official semester, there must be a minimum of 39 contact hours in each

class. Federal guidelines also require 15 weeks of class time each semester. These guidelines must be followed in order for an academic calendar to be approved by the Committee on Academics, which has the final authority.

This year, classes began two days after Labor Day instead of one. The reason for this, according to Gousie, is to give transfer students, freshmen, and re-admitted students an orientation day before the first day of classes. Consequently, a day of classes was lost.

Also, when we return to school on a Tuesday after a break, we have Tuesday classes. Previous to this year, Monday and Tuesday classes alternated when we came back on a Tuesday so that we wouldn't lose an excess of Monday classes. With this new system, we lose contact hours in Monday classes, which have to be made up somewhere.

So why don't we come back

in August and start classes before Labor Day? Apparently, PC tried this in the past and the professors rebelled. According to Gousie, teachers still don't want to come back before Labor Day, even if it means a shorter Christmas break. He admits that "there's no breathing room when you start after Labor Day," and stresses that it is very difficult to accommodate everyone when constructing the calendar.

The academic calendars are made up two years ahead of time, which means that the calendar for next year is already set, and has been approved since March 1994. Next year's schedule is very similar to this year's. The only chance for change will be for the 1996-97 academic calendar, which has not yet been set. Dr. Gousie is not sure what will happen. At the last Faculty Senate meeting concerning the academic calendar, the issue was tabled.



# Students respond to firing

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many more if they held onto the letter for another day. No comment has been made as of yet from the two offices.

At this time the Academic Services staff will report to Dr. Sally Thibodeau, the Vice President for Academic Administration. When approached by *The Cowl* the office would not make a comment, claiming the only statement had already been given to another campus publication. The office did say, however, that it is not certain who, if anyone, will replace the two.

The Office of Academic Services assists students with special educational needs. The main way they reach students is through the Learning Assistance Center. Academic Services offers help ranging from note-taking and tutoring to counseling for students with special needs, physical or otherwise.

"I only worked with Dr. Logue for two weeks over this winter break, but I was looking forward to working with him this semester," said Stacey Rinaldi '95.

The following letter was signed by students who were concerned with the recent dismissal of Dr. Owen Logue. The letter was dated January 19, 1995.

To Whom It May Concern:

We the undersigned feel we must express our shock, disappointment, and concern over the dismissal of Dr. Logue from the faculty of Providence College.

We feel this sudden action is not only a personal loss but a loss to the college in particular. There is no question as to the negative effect Dr. Logue's dismissal will have on the students currently studying under his guidance and to those who consider him a close friend and advisor. He will unquestionably be missed.

Dr. Logue is a positive image of what we feel a faculty member should be, an image we feel Providence College is all about. He has always found time to listen and offer help if possible, whether it was directly related to his field of study or not.

We do not know what the real reason was for his dismissal, but we sincerely hope the decision is not irreversible. We feel that his release was not in the best interest of the students. In his short time with the college he has made a great impression on just about everyone who knows him and we trust that the school will take this into account. We feel that it is in the interest of those who study under him who will be interrupted by his departure and the entire student body that Providence College re-evaluate this decision and re-instate Dr. Logue to his former position.

# Balfour update

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In the middle of February, the spring addition of the Multicultural Affairs Newsletter will be completed. Though there may not be enough to distribute to everyone on campus, try to grab a copy, or its contents, and keep yourself updated on the more specific issues concerning the center and its members.

On Saturday, February 25, students, scholars, and anyone from the community are welcomed to attend the Black History Banquet, tentatively being held in '64 Hall until further notice. Tickets for outside community members are \$12 and will be sold through the center. The key note speaker for the event is Mary Harrison, the new Executive Director of

Rhode Island Children's Crusade, and the event will probably take place in the afternoon.

And just as a reminder, a Nationalities Forum is in the process of being scheduled for the future. A panel of speakers will be discussing various cultures, and from there, the floor will be open for group participation. Keep a look out for a posted date as to when it will take place.

FYI - Thursday night, January 26, a candle-light vigil was held in Aquinas Lounge at 6 PM. The vigil was honoring Martin Luther King, Jr., and the turn out was a success. Balfour would like to thank those who participated; it was deeply appreciated.

# Disciplinary Measures

information provided by the Office of Student Services

As a result of a police report, a hearing was held to review the conduct associated with a party sponsored by three Providence College students. Although the party was of short duration, there were some concerns generated by students attempting to "crash" the party.

The party was not cited for noise violation.

The decision was the following: the students were guilty of violating the standards of conduct of the college (Handbook, p. 37, #8) and violating the college alcohol policy.

The penalties determined: \*community restitution twenty hours; \*personal probation for one semester.

An administrative disciplinary review was held on 13 December, 1994 to consider the misuse of another student's telephone calling card. The amount involved was \$6.43.

The student was found guilty of the charge of misrepresentation and misuse of the telephone card.

He was fined \$25.00 and placed on disciplinary probation until 16 May, 1995.

An administrative disciplinary review was held on 19 December, 1994 regarding a male student wishing to use Aquinas Hall as a "short-cut." When asked to show an identification, he showed his brother's identification, used vulgar language and was disrespectful.

He was charged with: \*underage drinking, \*verbal abuse, \*violation of the standards of the college.

He received the following penalties: \*25 hours of community restitution service, \*first offense, alcohol policy.

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## New meal deal serves up positive change

Cheers to PC food services for finally offering a choice to meal plan subscribers! Students may now choose to eat meals at Raymond Caf, Alumni Caf (Mondo), or Mural Lounge. In addition, apartment and off-campus dwellers have the option of purchasing a 7 meal-a-week plan for \$500 per semester. We are pleased to see that the administration has favorably responded to student concerns about the meal plan, and we hope that this will become one of many steps to improve student life.

The 7 meal-a-week plan for juniors and seniors promotes healthier eating habits because parents can pay for meals rather than giving their sons or daughters cash that is often spent on things other than groceries. It seems to be the start of a more flexible system that is long overdue.

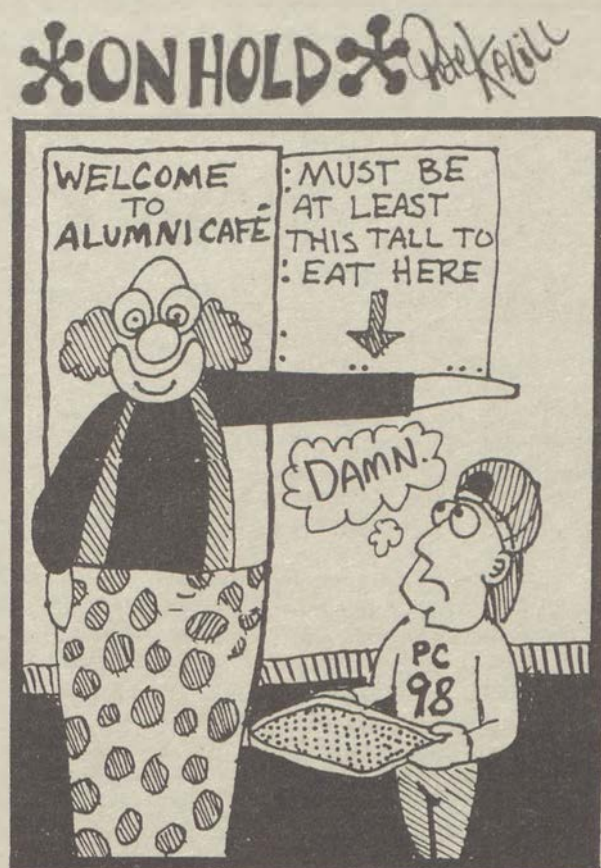
With underclassmen taking advantage of Alumni Cafeteria, a few concerns do

arise. First, there is the problem of encountering lines that extend as far as the ATM machines. Upperclassmen, and perhaps some college employees, seem to be justifiably frustrated when the cafeteria line is longer than in the past, and when seating is limited. In addition, some upperclassmen say they don't frequent Alumni now because the social aspect of finding classmates there has been altered. They are bitter about the growing numbers of freshmen and sophomores filling up one of their favorite hang-outs.

However, we see these inconveniences as necessary if we are to make any progress in improving the entire food service system for present and future PC students. We must understand that meal plan and parietal policies never change because the students who fight for them as underclassmen become apathetic when they move into apartments.

This plan may be inadequate, but we must give it a chance to evolve. Some dreamers among us believe that the new plan will reduce Raymond's use to such an extent, that it will force them to improve the quality and choices of food there. Pessimists argue that Alumni Caf's food quality will decline due to the high demand, and that if students don't go to Raymond enough, the entire new meal plan will be terminated.

In the future, we would like to see this plan evolve into a better quality Raymond with more food choices, longer hours, and less expensive meals for students and faculty not on the meal plan. We would like to choose a meal plan based on number of meals, not days per week when we can eat. We would eventually like to use our IDs to purchase food in the other lower Slavin establishments. However, for now, this is a step in the right direction.



A PROPOSED WAY TO ELIMINATE OVERCROWDING IN ALUMNI CAFE

## Fear of a Tobacco Congress

Christopher Roche '96

Editorial Writer

As I was riding the Northeast Corridor of the Amtrak line between Washington and Boston, I noticed a new phenomenon—"smoking stops." Since smoking is thankfully banned on all of the trains, the conductors announce whenever there will be a layover, so the passengers can have a smoke. For example, at the New Haven, Connecticut stop, dozens of people, many of whom are adolescents, scurry to the platform

houses, it is going to do everything in its power to be unified. There is no reason to believe that it will not be so on the tobacco issue. Many people have gone as far as labeling the new Republican group as the "tobacco party." Other Republicans are going to line up behind Helms in the Senate and Bliley in the House in an attempt to restore tobacco as king.

Policy wise, Americans can expect a drastic reversal from the policies of the late eighties and early nineties. The government is now going to do everything it can to limit or lift

## Smoking kills 420,000 Americans every year

for a quick fix of carbon monoxide and ammonia. This practice is nothing short of pathetic; these people cannot even control their addictions for a short train ride. What makes things worse is that pretty soon they may not have to. If the new regime of Republicans has its way, bans such as the one Amtrak has may be lifted and many other laws on tobacco may be lightened.

With the rapid turnover rate in both houses of Congress, the tobacco lobby promises to be stronger than ever. Influential senators such as Jesse Helms are leading the charge to restore the tobacco companies' once legendary power. Pipe smoking congressmen like Virginia's Thomas Bliley proudly puff for the cameras in support of the tobacco industry. Since the Republican party has finally gained control of both

bans on cigarette smoke indoors, Bliley has called today's laws "Big Brother" like. Now his policies are going to lessen taxes on these products which will make cigarettes cheaper and more accessible to children.

Our government should not be supporting an industry that kills 420,000 people a year. Furthermore, our government should not be supporting an industry that specifically targets children in its advertising, even though it is illegal to sell to them in the first place. There is absolutely no reason to give the tobacco industry any breaks. Tobacco revenues total 48 billion dollars annually, and Philip Morris and RJR Nabisco are two of the most powerful conglomerates in the nation. Tobacco companies have grown gluttonously rich at the expense of America's health. There is no reason to reward them for it.

## Complainers are not happy

John J. Olohan '95

Editorial Writer

There are too many nay-sayers in America today. It is always refreshing to deal with people who have lived through the Depression or who immigrated to our great country because they appreciate the cushy lifestyle that we Americans have. Just the fact that we are alive in the land of freedom should keep us in a perpetual state of happiness.

Those who complain the most about America's business "atrocities" are usually the arm-chair warriors who live behind a pen on a newspaper staff, behind a podium in a classroom, and who hold public office or any other "arms length" position. All of whom have comfortable lifestyles, and the value of the dollar doesn't mean as much to them because the American taxpayers, tuition dollars, or mommy and daddy subsidize their very existence.

Liberal politicians love to spend your money. They act as if fiscal conservatives are evil because they want less government involvement in our day to day lives. The more government is involved, the higher our taxes will be. The American taxpayer is financially raped by the government and it is wrong. Less taxes means larger paychecks, more money to spend, more businesses receiving business, which means larger paychecks for everyone, which means more money to spend, and so on. But no, Uncle Sam and his nephews in public office don't think that the American taxpayer is ca-

pable of handling his own finances and way of life; so they tax, tax, tax, tax, and tax, to subsidize their self-created bureaucracies.

America became strong because private business, run by common folk, took advantage of their minds. Government cannot move as quickly as entrepreneurs; it is impossible. Government is too tangled with self-centered egomaniacs who spend the majority of their time working to get re-elected. Working men and women know what is best for them; not some out of touch and extremely well fed politician who lives off his family's former illegal liquor business money (Teddy and Patrick).

You will never find a self-made man who thinks that government should tell him how to run his business. Do people realize how much it costs a firm to employ them? Do people realize how much health insurance, dental insurance, social security, workman's comp., unemployment, federal and state taxes, and countless other price tags cost a firm? Of course not, because if people did, then people wouldn't complain the way they do. People want more and more money and benefits for less and less work.

America is the land of opportunity. People complain because they need something to do, and for some, it keeps them employed. Hard workers can look in the mirror every morning and respect the reflection that they see. People are afraid to take responsibility for who and what they have become because of the decisions they made during their life. No one

wants to say, "I was wrong" or "he was right." Those who do have the courage to admit fault find greater rewards because they learn from their errors.

Those who complain the most about capitalism are usually those who couldn't make it in the business world. If a person doesn't feel that they will be able to be economically successful or if they have tried and "failed," they resort to attacking the very system that gave them the opportunity to try. Constructive criticism is not their aim, but rather, a self-righteous justification as to why they made the choices that they did.

Money isn't the bottom line. The bottom line is that every person must do whatever it is they do to the best of their ability. If that means working at McDonald's, so be it. If that means digging ditches, so be it. Everyone has different abilities and different callings. Be honest with yourself because at some point in our lives we will die and we will stand before our Maker; we will be held accountable for our actions or lack thereof. Not using your God given abilities to their fullest is a slap in God's face. I would not knowingly annoy my boss, let alone my God.

America is still the land of opportunity. Scoff all you want. Nay-sayers never amount to anything; they burn themselves up with an unnecessary hatred that leaves them bitter, distraught, and lonely. We must surround ourselves with good, positive, happy people, who believe that life is the greatest of all gifts. America is a great place to come to that realization.



# The Religious Right and their politics of hate

Mike Sullivan '97

Editorial Writer

"When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on the street corners so that others may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward."

-Matthew 6:5

You really have to admire Jesus for his foresight. He realized that some day people who claimed to be His followers would twist around His message and teachings to satisfy their own selfish interests and over-inflated egos. Nowhere can we see this more clearly than in the fanatical, ultra-conservative wing of the Republican party known to some as the Religious Right. When I say Religious Right I mean people like Pat Buchanan, Jerry Falwell, Randall Terry, Pat Robertson and his Christian Coalition. This group claims to be fighting for Jesus when in fact they are just using His name to conceal their own very un-Christian agenda. Most members of this group see themselves as morally superior to the rest of us and believe that they must force their contorted view of morality on everyone

else by any means necessary.

One trademark of the Religious Right is their inability to distinguish fact from fantasy. They live in a fantasy world where if you simply don't tell kids to have sex they won't, drugs will go away if you ignore them and all parents will take responsibility for the safety and well being of their children. They believe that teaching kids the truth about sex and birth control will push them into having sex. In reality not teaching the truth about sex and birth control is dangerous because then kids will make their decisions based on rumor and myth. They also believe that Drug prevention programs such as DARE promote drug use when, in fact, it is the absence of such programs that results in higher drug use. I wish we didn't live in a world where kids are forced to make decisions about sex and drugs everyday, but it's an imperfect world and we have to deal with it the best we can.

There is great hypocrisy among members of the Religious Right. It puzzles me how in one breath they can speak of the sanctity of every human life and in the next breath claim it is the right of

every American to own a semi-automatic assault weapon. How can they claim to despise abortion with a passion and at the same time vigorously oppose birth control which is probably the most effective and realistic way of ending abortion? How can they claim to deeply love each and every unborn child but simultaneously deny much

to do a report on the Religious Right. The report, entitled "The Religious Right: The Assault on Tolerance and Pluralism in America," exposes the group's ringleaders as the dangerous fanatics that they are. The report details how the group has shown hateful intolerance towards gays, Jews and anyone else who doesn't conform to

Christian people work together, in the next decade they can succeed during the next decade at winning back control of the institutions that have been taken from them over the past 70 years. Expect confrontations that will not only be unpleasant but at times physically bloody." How can anyone say this and call themselves a Christian?

Never did Jesus say that birth control was wrong, that gay-rights was immoral or that sex ed. shouldn't be taught in schools. The pseudo-Christians of the Religious Right would have you believe otherwise. I call them pseudo-Christians because they aren't real Christians; they've totally disregarded everything Jesus said and did. Jesus treated everyone as His equal, even the lowliest sinner. Never was He as self-righteous or self-glorifying as the Religious Right. When the members of this group start to think about helping others rather than judging them, then maybe they can call themselves Christians. But as long as people like Pat Robertson and Randall Terry are making tens of millions of dollars from their hateful, ignorant and un-Christian tirades, I doubt that will happen.

## "We are called by God to conquer this country"

- Randall Terry

needed health care, nutrition and shelter to millions of poor already-born children across the country? Making abortion illegal will not solve anything, it will only make things worse and they realize it. Their interest is not in ending abortion but in watching women suffer for their mistakes.

So extreme are the views of the Religious Right, that in 1994 the Anti Defamation League, a Jewish group that monitors hate groups such as the KKK, the Nazi movement, and the Aryan Nation, felt compelled

their version of morality in a way reminiscent of 1939 Berlin.

For instance, Randall Terry, a former used car salesman who became a millionaire as the founder of Operation Rescue, has said, "Our goal is a Christian nation. We have a biblical duty. We are called by God to conquer this country. We don't want equal time. We don't want pluralism." If there is any doubt in your mind that some members support violence to establish their goals, just read what Pat Robertson has said: "If

# Conservatives threaten PBS

Jamie Lantinen '97

Editorial Writer

Since its establishment in the 1940's, public television has in one way or another contributed to the cultural fabric of our nation. Whether it be because of the *MacNeill/Lehrer News Hour* or *Sesame Street*, every generation is familiar with the contributions of PBS. Newt Gingrich and the Conservative Regime seek to eliminate PBS with a stroke of the pen. Some of their arguments against PBS are convincing. However, at a time of American cultural uncertainty and broadcast television's intellectually void mediocrity, can we afford to lose it?

The alternative to federal funding of public television is commercialization of some of our most precious air waves. Supporters of this option argue that much of the programming has already become commercialized. Everything from Big Bird stuffed animals to the Ken Burns nine hour documentary *Baseball*, brings added revenue into the industry. As a result, some influential production executives make six figure salaries. Supporters of privatization argue that officially commercializing public television would produce programming on the level of cable's Discovery and Learning channels.

The problem of privatization is the continued struggle for profit and ratings. With continued federal support, *Sesame Street* does not have to

worry about the ratings of competing programs such as *The Price is Right*. As a result, PBS officials can run *Sesame Street* four hours a day to entertain and teach America's children - without the Mighty Morphin Power Ranger commercials. The economics go beyond a Kermit-the-Frog toothbrush, however, and beg the question, "Would *Nova* survive in the

## Public television and public radio cost the average American one dollar a year.

free market if it were forced to air opposite *Seinfeld*?" The answer is no. In an era when nauseating talk shows dominate the UHF and VHF spectrums, the need for PBS programming rings clear.

Conservatives would disagree with the quality of programming on PBS. They point to an excessive amount of homosexuality and pro-environment documentaries - issues belonging to the liberal

agenda. "The liberals love it," Senator Bob Dole said. "They have their own network." In fact, conservative shows like those with John MacLaughlin, can also be found on public television stations. A recent study of public television viewers found that respondents were unaware of any political slant in PBS programming - liberal or conservative. However, research by the Center for Media and Public Affairs found that public television does tend toward liberal ideas in its programming. This does not necessitate, however, a complete elimination of funding for public television stations. A review of the programming selection system is required. Instead of giving up on the system altogether, we should try to balance the political viewpoints of the programming.

Supporters of privatization also point to the success of cable television. Documentaries and children's programming are successful on specialized cable networks. In addition, these channels turn out a profit. While it does sound tempting to just throw PBS to the sharks and hope it makes a buck, profit is not a reason to eliminate PBS. Instead, non-profit is a reason to keep it. It is the only television station that does not need to compromise its principles for the sake of money. It is the only station capable of truly providing unbiased, informative programming. Cable is not the solution: only 61% of Americans have access to the technology, while 98% can tune into PBS.

We must not leave every aspect of American culture to ride the waves of free market in this dangerous capitalist economy. Public television and public radio cost the average American one dollar a year, while the British and other European nations spend close to 40. I would gladly pay a dollar

a year to ensure that our kids continue to grow up lovers of Grover, Big Bird and Kermit for generations to come. Once fast food and beer commercials begin to support shows that used to be brought to us by the letter 'K' and the number '6' then we will never be able to live in Mr. Roger's Neighborhood.

## To our readers: A Clarification

Juliette Marchioli '95

Features Writer

In the last issue of *The Cowl*, I wrote a Features article entitled "Questioning Faith at PC." The article was written from my heart after three-and-a-half years of soul-searching, and was based on deeply personal experiences that I and others have shared while at PC. My intent was to raise awareness on the subject of Dominican/Student relations, asking for help in bringing us all closer together as a Christian community.

This goal, as has become painfully obvious, was not made clear. In fact, my words were taken by some as a condemnation directed towards all Dominicans on campus. This was never my purpose, so I was greatly saddened when I realized how differently my words were interpreted. Admittedly, some of my statements were over-generalized, and perhaps came across as accusatory in nature. Therefore, for any hurt and damage I may have caused, I am deeply and sincerely sorry.



# Letters to the Editor

## Reaffirming faculty commitment to students

To the Editor:

On reading the commentary "Questioning Faith at PC" my first thought was that the writer had undergone a distressing but significant learning experience. She had imposed a stereotype on a group of human individuals and had learned the folly of such thinking. Every human group is made up of very human individuals and although they may have much in common, it is invariably wrong to assume them to be identical. Since a college is primarily a place for learning, I concluded that she was progressing in an appropriate manner.

However, a second reading led me to focus on her very disturbing reference to faculty members who are also guilty of stereotypical thinking when they berate a whole class for the actions of a few. Even more disturbing was the news that some faculty members ridicule students who have the audacity to raise questions in the classroom. If incidents like the one described are at all common, they go a long way toward explaining the reluctance of Providence College students in general to raise questions and offer answers in classrooms where such activity is encouraged. It is certainly to be hoped that the Administration will investigate these assertions and encourage the elimination of such misconduct. Further, I think the Administration owes a debt of gratitude to the messenger who has brought this situation to light.

I also think that this essay is a good occasion for all of us as faculty members to re-

call the ethical dimension of the professor-student relationship. There is no question that the professor is the dominant figure in this classroom relationship. Choices involving the syllabus, texts and learning environment are not usually made in collaboration with students and the evaluation of performance is made by that same professor. The student may withdraw from the course or write a nasty evaluation, but the power relationship is unquestionably asymmetrical.

Such power carries with it a comparable level of responsibility. The professor is a living representative of certain values. He or she offers to the students a vision of intellectual excellence and is responsible for helping them to acquire the knowledge and the qualities needed to realize that vision in their own lives. While some of these qualities are certainly intellectual abilities, others are equally certainly self-discipline and the sense of responsibility for one's own perseverance, responsible inquiry and a commitment to truth. Such moral values are best transmitted by example, as we learn from Aristotle and Aquinas, and the transmitter in education is the professor. While it is fully realized that only a small percentage of the values transmitted will actually be absorbed, this does not at all reduce the responsibility of the transmitter, the professor.

I hope that the assertions of this concerned student will be the occasion for all of us to reaffirm our commitments to the highest ethical ideals of

the professor-student relationship and to realize that development here at Providence College.

Art Jackson  
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## Men's B-ball ticket woes

To the Editor:

The law of demand states that as the price of a good or service increases the demand for the good or service decreases. This is one of the basic principles I have learned in my Mathematical-Economics major at Providence College. "Ticket prices go up" (Cowl, 12/8/94) defies this basic principle. Athletic Director John Marinatto decided to increase the price of student tickets from three dollars to five dollars and non-student tickets now range from \$12.00 to \$17.50. His reasoning was that the price increase would bring about the impression that basketball tickets are in demand. The price change will only begin a decrease in demand. As prices increase, people tend to substitute other goods or services that cost less. Many students may begin to attend more hockey games than basketball games. Three dollars has been the student price for fifteen years, so why change it now? Hopefully, Mr. Marinatto will reconsider his decision.

Jennifer Leary '96

# On Yeltsin, War and Democracy

Robert Mendes '95

Editorial Writer

Sadly, another war began in the world over Christmas break. (Apparently, the thirty-four wars already taking place were not enough.) The Russian military has been killing the people of Chechnya for over a month now, and it appears that the army has finally taken the capital of Grozny away from its people. Moscow will probably install a better behaved puppet regime there soon. The conflict will inevitably become a long, bloody, guerrilla war between the Chechen rebels and the new government.

The single most immoral act that a political leader can commit is to turn the army against the people it is charged with protecting. Shockingly, Boris Yeltsin is now guilty of this crime. It is shocking because just four years ago, when the Soviet army was ordered into the streets against the people of Moscow, Boris Yeltsin himself climbed up onto one of the tanks and denounced the Soviet leaders as traitors and criminals. At that time, he was a hero for his people; he was the conscience of a dying dictatorship. Where is your conscience now Boris?

The contrasts between the break-up of the Soviet Union, which Boris Yeltsin facilitated, and the beginning of the break-up of the Russian Empire, which he will not allow, are amazing. The former was relatively bloodless, while the latter has been a massacre from start to finish. President Gorbachev voluntarily and peacefully ended the Soviet communist empire. Countries like Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia finally had their freedom. Now, the same reformer who helped liberate those countries is punishing Chechnya for wanting its own

independence. Yeltsin fails to see that it is the same issue.

The political pendulum is swinging too far to the right in Moscow. Yeltsin has lost all of his former supporters. The liberal reformers in the legislature are now his enemies. His only vocal supporter has been the ultra-right-winger Vladimir Zhirinovskiy, who is enjoying this show of Russian might in the name of nationalism. It should bother Yeltsin that Zhirinovskiy is his only ally in the legislature.

Many people are predicting the end of democracy in Russia in the wake of this political crisis. It also could become the Russian people's finest hour. The people in Russia know that in a democracy the government is supposed to act in their name. They are clearly not pleased with Yeltsin's war. Now is their opportunity to take back their democracy. There are signs that this is happening.

The Russian news media is covering this war as well as any Western news media can. Therefore, the people are hearing the truth about the war, not just the government's lies about it. An informed electorate is the most important element in a democracy. Now, it is up to the people to act.

Finally, the Clinton administration should be more vocal in its criticism of Yeltsin. The U.S. is the model of democracy and freedom for the rest of the world, and should be a constant reminder of the ideals of democracy. Therefore, the President should be challenging Yeltsin to live up to those values. Though, to be honest, the U.S. does not always live up to them either.

Hopefully, a political solution can be found to this crisis that grants independence to the Chechen people and strengthens the democratic movement in Russia.

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# Knowledge of a Higher Power

Rand J. Refrigerer '97

A&E Writer

**Higher Learning.** Starring Ice Cube, Omar Epps, Michael Rappaport, Kristy Swanson and Laurence Fishburne. Directed by John Singleton. Currently playing at Showcase Cinemas, Warwick. Grade: B+.

Racism in the 90's. It exists as an almost insurmountable perplexity to our views, clinging to the back of our brains like a band of angry barnacles. The very problem which conceives a society of hatred, simply because everyone is not the same color.

The year is 1995. Not 1965. Perhaps "All You Need Is Love" doesn't work so well any more. But what is needed for this generation to rid itself of racism? "Is it even possible?" some may ask. "No way in Hell," others will tell you in dim-witted reply.

You may then ask yourself what the art world is doing about this deep and difficult hindrance. What is Hollywood, for example, saying about racism? One response comes from a man who has recently cast

forth his filmmaking genius into the creation of one of this year's most racially provocative films. The film in question, is *Higher Learning*, a brilliantly made ballad of hatred and love, written and directed by John Singleton.

Like Singleton's first blockbuster *Boyz 'N' The Hood*, *Higher Learning* is innovative, emotional, and extremely controversial. The film touches eagerly upon the various racial problems which occur on the fictitious campus of Columbus University. In addition to the racial theme, Singleton also uses the film's college setting to give birth to other themes and subplots dealing with self-discovery and college life in general (something we are all quite familiar with).

The film opens in the beginning of a new year at Columbus University. The profound mixing of races is made obvious from the start of the film, as the C.U. campus is blanketed by a plethora of students of every color. It

does not take long for tension to arise as one of the picture's main characters, Kristen (Kristy Swanson), is drunkenly raped in a fraternity. This conflict quickly results in a brawl between

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the fraternity brothers and the African American group in the film, led by Fudge (Ice Cube).

Further tension then unfolds as the film progresses. As the rehabilitated Kristen now delves into the limitless world of self discovery, resulting in probable lesbian-

ism, other characters such as the proud athlete Melik Williams (Omar Epps) and the nervous, hot-headed Remy (Michael Rappaport) begin to clash. As Remy's societal confusion and anxiety lead him to the daunting world of white supremacy, the film begins to scorch with heated action, and violent exchanges of hatred begin to intentionally pollute the rest of the movie. In fact, the ill-tempered neo-Nazi grows so out of control that he pulls a gun on Melik after a racial dispute. This conflict results in yet another White vs. Black ringside bout, which later leads to the ultimate act of evil, in which Remy open-fires on random African-American students at a peace rally, killing Melik's girlfriend.

*Higher Learning* is not only an extremely powerful film constructed by some unforgettable scenes and images, but is also a dead accurate mirroring of society's problems. Singleton's genius provides a concrete setting to a stable framework which ends in pro-

found instability. The film is, however, in no way a satire, due to its blatantly serious tone and mood. In addition to taking a creative approach toward realistic drama, *Higher Learning* also features strong performances by Omar Epps and Ice Cube, along with a brilliant role by Laurence Fishburne, whose character of an intelligent professor provides a lone voice of reason among a society of chaos.

So is there a moral to this tale of narrowminded madness, in which loved ones end up dead, color determines hate, and endless animosity parades the campus streets with its dismal flag of ignorance? Singleton leaves us with a moral which is vague. He leaves us with the question, "What must be done to end racism?" Can anything even be done? Or is it hapless, hopeless, and not worth the waste of breath? Must we strive every day to arrive at an inkling of peace? Or were Lennon and McCartney right all along when they said, "All You Need Is Love"?

## A Little Piece Of Home

Pat Heap '96

A&E Writer

Everyday a number of students walk or drive by The Admiral Spa on Admiral Drive. Either on the way to class, home, or Brad's, we see it there with a sign which reads "Coffee, Sandwiches, Lottery, Cigarettes, Ice Cream, News Papers". Sure, we all know what those things are and that you can find them at any store. So we continue to go on our way with little interest to what is inside, but what most people are missing out on is a little piece of home.

The Admiral Spa is a sandwich shop/ corner store which is located two blocks away from Slavin Center. The inside is warm and cozy and filled with friendly conversation, not to mention the aroma of homemade cooking and coffee. Customers can find a number of small necessities such as tissues, soda, cigarettes, snack food, and other little things which we all end up needing. The Admiral Spa also offers a few home made sandwiches and soups each day. Don't expect a menu because

each day it can change from chicken soup to pea soup or from a sausage and pepper sandwich to a meatball sandwich. Either way there is always a number to choose from and each is prepared and served as if it were done by your mother (and I don't mean Your Mother's).

So far, the Admiral Spa is the only place within walking distance that I have found where I can sit down, have something to eat that isn't from a can, a great cup of coffee, and walk out with a newspaper and something to snack on later without getting totally ripped off. The sandwiches are about \$2.65 and better than anything one can get on campus or at 7-11 (those hot dogs and nachos are going to kill us all). Plus, if you pay for your meals on campus, but you don't want to wait for an hour at Mondo, it is only two blocks away.

Every town has a little sandwich shop where there is

always a good cup of coffee, a bite to eat, and some happy and talkative regulars. The sandwich shops own little atmosphere and uniqueness is what separates it from all of the rest. It is this hometown atmosphere which makes Admiral Spa a gold mine for any P.C. student who wants something quick to eat, a good cup of coffee, or just to remember what it was like to walk into the corner store when you were a kid and buy a pack of gum.

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# The Voyage Home

*Star Trek: Voyager* lives up to its hype

Michael Quinn '95

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**Star Trek: Voyager**  
Starring Kate Mulgrew, Robert Beltran and Tim Russ  
Monday at 8 pm on UPN  
Grade: A-

The late Gene Roddenberry's twenty-fourth century universe has generally been small. Kirk and Picard, while charting unexplored areas of space, have always found a friendly place for repairs and shore leave. They also run into familiar enemies: Klingons, Romulans, Borg, and Khan. For Rick Berman, the successor seated on Roddenberry's throne, the universe is a vast and desolate space where the most unthinkable catastrophes can occur.

The crew of the U.S.S. *Voyager* are the most recent victims of Berman's vicious realm. While searching for a ship piloted by outlaw Maquis (renegades battling with the Cardassians and the Federation), the *Voyager* was unable to successfully navigate through a plasma field known as "The Badlands." An unavoidable plasma wave knocks the *Voy-*

ager 70,000 light years away—a distance that would take the ship seventy-five years to retrace at top speed.

As if this scenario wasn't dismal enough, the wave also manages to kill several key members of the crew, virtually destroying any chance for the others to see their homes again. Luckily, the *Voyager* finds the Maquis ship stuck in the same situation. The survivors of the two crews then agree to help each other search for another way to get back to Federation territory.

The perplexing predicament that the *Voyager* creators have set and the show's huge potential causes one to practically drool with anticipation. The show's characters are written well, and because of the integration of the outlaws into the Federation ranks, the tension among them continues to complicate, which makes for terrific subplots.

*Star Trek: Voyager* is also designed to get back to its original roots. Like the original *Star Trek* series, the *Voyager*'s crew is comprised of diverse officers: a human/Klingon woman, an ex-convict, an Asian, a black Vulcan, a Native American first

officer, and a female captain (played by Kate Mulgrew). Some are Federation officers, some are outlaws appointed as officers in the emergency situation. In addition, two new species are traveling on the ship. Neelix is Talaxian (a real life Mr. Potato Head with a mohawk), and performs odd jobs on the ship. Kes is his Ocampo lover whose life expectancy is only nine years. She is currently one.

Another impressive aspect of *Star Trek: Voyager* is the innovative technological advancements the writers have dreamt up for portrayal in the series. The *Voyager* itself is alive, thanks to newly developed bio-neural technology. While it doesn't necessarily have a personality of its own, it is sentient and can think. One of the characters is part of this remarkable mainframe. Due to the death of the *Voyager*'s chief medical officer, the ship's computer has generated an incredibly lifelike emergency medical holograph who supposedly has no personality either, even though he has been known to let the others know that he is "the embodiment of modern medicine."

The only way this new show could fail is because of the repetition within its plots. Already

we've seen another spatial anomaly (as seen in the last episode of *The Next Generation*) that distorts time as we know it. Next week Captain Janeway has a dilemma with the prime directive, marking the thirty-eighth time this has occurred in a *Star Trek* show, and the second in three *Voyager* episodes. Should the writers become aware of the excessive repetition, it will become my favorite television program.

While the scenario, characters, and technology have all changed, *Star Trek: Voyager* is not a new concept in sci-fi television. Such classics as *Lost In Space* and *Battlestar Galactica* are both quests to find home, and even Buck Rogers revolved around a character who is isolated from his home forever. New concepts, however, are not always better; the dark, static *Deep Space Nine* was a new idea, and it still doesn't have the following that the producers had hoped it would. But with astounding visual effects, unexpectedly good acting, and tremendous writing, the new series looks quite promising.

# Throwing Gold

R.I.'s Throwing Muses Return with *University*

Mark Cybulski '95

A&E Editor

**Throwing Muses**  
*University*  
Sire/Reprise Records  
Grade: A-

When Tanya Donnelly left Throwing Muses in 1991, many thought that Newport's finest would lose much in terms of creativity and commercial success. Even though Donnelly often took a creative back seat to singer-guitarist Kristin Hersh, her songs were generally the high points of their albums (such as "The River" from *House Tornado* and "Not Too Soon" from *The Real Ramona*). While Donnelly has gone on to enjoy good fortune with her own band, Belly, Hersh has continued to be the creative force behind the Muses. Her band's latest effort, *University*, is a great record that will put any previous notions of Hersh's inferior songwriting ability to rest.

*University* starts off with the hard driving guitar sound last heard on 1993's *Red Heaven*. The mediocre first single "Bright Yellow Gun" and "Start" are straight forward rockers that kick off the album with a lively feel. "Hazing" is a fine example of classic Muses: soft ethereal guitars that explode into a hard driving beat

with Hersh's exceptional voice delivering a soaring chorus. "Shimmer" is another example of the basic straight forward guitar sound that the Muses have recently preferred.

The second half of the album tends to be far more experimental and atmospheric. The songs themselves are individually different but they have a natural flow to them that really makes them fit well on the album. *University* reaches a turning point with "Calm Down, Come Down", a short interlude-type of a song that the Muses have had on their previous records. *University*'s diverse second half is further shown in "Crabtown", a slow, hypnotic and dreamlike song, while "No Way In Hell" has an irresistible beat with some dynamic guitar and cello effects. "That's All You Wanted" is a sweet, mid-tempo, airy guitar track that layers Hersh's vocals very nicely. Wonderfully harmonized songs such as this make longtime Muses fans miss the times when Hersh and Donnelly shared the same stage.

Perhaps the most intriguing song on the record is "Snakeface", which features a great bass and drum rhythm combination (compliments of newcomer Bernard Georges and longtime Muse David Narcizo) and deeply sensual lyrics by Hersh. "Snakeface" is just one

of the many tracks on this album that show that the Muses have reached a new level of musical integrity. They have become one of the few bands today that can go from a heavy guitar based sound to a more intricate, complex style without compromising the overall quality of their music.

*University* will undoubtedly

bring more commercial and critical success to Throwing Muses. Since "alternative" music has had an increased amount of airplay, the Muses' recent popularity could have been easily predicted. For this band, newfound success and recognition couldn't be more rightfully deserved.

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## Faculty\*Staff\*Student\*Night

Friday, January 25th from 4:00-8:00 p.m.  
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Followed by:

## RHINO

from 9:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.  
\$1 cover  
\$.25 wings and mozzarella sticks  
free popcorn and pool  
Bud Light and Becks \$1 w/PC ID

# Class of 96'

## Semi-Formal Stag

Saturday, February 11th  
from 7:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m.  
at the Omni Biltmore  
Buses leave Peterson  
at 6:30 p.m.  
\$15 per ticket

Tickets on sale:  
Monday, February 6th to  
Friday, February 10th  
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in Lower Slavin

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## Sixth Annual Multicultural Celebration

Tuesday, January 31st, 3:30 p.m. '64 Hall  
"Children, Women, Men - Touched by Culture"

A panel of students and faculty from diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds will  
discuss rituals and traditions as they relate to gender differences within their own unique  
cultures. The audience will be invited to share their own insights and experiences.

### Panelists:

Anu Univer '97  
Joaquin Fonte '98  
Vilayphan Inlavongsa '98  
Rev. Cletus Nwabuzo, O.P.  
Manolis I. Kaparakis (Economics)

### Panel Moderator:

Jane Lunin Perel, English Department  
Acting Director of Women's Studies Program

### Panel immediately followed by:

- ◆ Ethnic foodfest in upper Slavin Center featuring international gourmet treats.
- ◆ Music and dance festival with entertainment performed by:  
Guatemalan Ballet Folklore Group  
Irish Step Dancers  
Cape Verdean Dancers  
St. Adelbert's Polish Dance Group  
Polynesian Dancers  
Bagpipers by Stuart Mowbray (will begin at 4:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, February 1st, 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Harkins 308  
Third Annual Open House - Balfour Center for Multicultural Affairs

Food, Music, and Friends

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Students, faculty, and staff - please come and enjoy!  
Events cosponsored by the Balfour Center and the Student Development Center



# Class of 95'

## 95 NITES

Friday, February 3rd  
at Peterson from 8:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m.  
Tix are \$6 and Beers are \$1  
Semi-Formal dress

## Done With College T-shirt Contest

Drop off your design to the Congress Office.  
A prize will be awarded to the winner!!

## Class of 1997 Update

Michael James '97

*Class President*

1995 is going to be a busy year for the Class of 1997. Numerous events have been planned to ensure a fun filled semester and year. J.R.W. is right around the corner and is scheduled for the weekend of November 11th. Under the leadership of Norah O'Beirne, our JRW weekend will surely be a unique and exciting experience for all involved.

The Semi-Formal Winter Snowball will be held this Friday night, January 27th in Peterson Center. The tickets will be sold for \$10 Jan. 25-27th in lower Slavin. If you buy your ticket on Wednesday, the price is only \$8 so buy your ticket early! The event will begin at 9pm and end at 1am and will feature the fantastic DJ Ulysses.

Hors d'oeuvres will also be served at the dance. All proceeds will go towards our JRW so support your class and join in the fun!

On April 1, the class of '97 will hold a 70's night in Stuart's. So I advise you to pull out those old bell bottoms and get ready for disco fever! Also scheduled for April is our first ever Clam-bake which will be a joint event with the Junior Class. This event will take place on April 21st and for all you Sophomores who are 21 with ID, this will be our first event where alcohol will be served.

Finally on Friday, May 5th, will be our Done With Civ Party- Hawaiian Luau style in Peterson - no hula skirts please Gordo.

More news on all of these events will be coming soon... keep your eyes and ears open.

P.S. Isn't Sophomore Civ a lot easier? Or is it just me?

# Things to do...

## BOP Fine Arts Committee

presents:  
"From The Mississippi  
Delta"

at the Trinity Rep  
Sunday, January 29th  
Show starts at 2:00 p.m.  
Buses leave at 1:00 p.m.  
Tickets are \$5

## BOP Coffeeshouses

Movies and  
Milkshakes!!

Tuesday, January 31st  
from  
9:00-12:00 p.m.  
in Stuart's

Take a break from studying!  
Come to the coffeehouse  
and watch "Grease" and  
have a free milkshake!!

BOP Social presents:

## Studs

Last chance to be in Studs  
Applications must be in before 3:30 p.m. on  
Friday, January 27th

Don't miss out!!

## BOP Films

### Only You

on January 29th  
at 8:00 p.m. and  
10:00 p.m.  
in '64 Hall  
Admission is \$1

### Malcolm X

on February 2nd  
at 9:00 p.m.  
in Moore Hall  
Admission is free

### The Specialist

on February 5th  
at 8:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.  
in '64 Hall  
Admission is \$1



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# Sundaes and a lost car

Tina Kloter '95

Features Editor

My most faithful reader, who even claims to have liked my "goon" article, is undoubtedly my grandmother. You may laugh and say, "ha ha! She is your grandmother, she would like your articles even if they consisted of the word *rigatoni* typed over and over." Well, that may be part of it, but the truth is that my grandma and I have a lot in common. We are both pretty nice people ... unless you are mean to us or someone we love. It's not a good idea to trust either of us with chocolate. And both of us were born without a sense of direction. Since when we get together we always have a great time gossiping and eating chocolate, Gram and I always do our Christmas shopping together.

This year, we drove to the glorious Buckland Hills Mall which has unceremoniously taken over the entire town of Manchester, CT. Once there, we stepped out of my car and in our excitement we forgot to take note of where we had parked. Once inside the Palace of

Commercial Delights, we both found several perfect gifts for the people on our lists which were way over our budgets. So, we shopped on, assuming that our perseverance would be compensated in the form of \$10 Liz Claiborne sweaters or \$5 Eddie Bauer shirts. Sadly, Liz and Eddie had not considered how sore my ankle would be or how tired my grandmother would be after examining countless price tags. Deciding not to let their oversight put a damper on our valiant effort, we decided to reward ourselves. Spotting Friendly's, Gram and I agreed it was time for sundaes.

Happily gobbling hot fudge and whipped cream, we talked. We gossiped, and told each other about what we had been doing. While I talked on and on about my wedding plans, my grandmother smiled, probably still seeing me as a fourth grader with loose teeth and crooked pig-tails. We finished up our ice-cream and then did the rest of our shopping.

Happily carrying our big bags, feeling like Santa's elves, we headed out to the car. After wandering around for

about fifteen minutes, we noticed a little problem: no car. We thought first that it might have been stolen or that it had disappeared. Then it dawned on me that we may have come in at a different entrance. So, we went back into the mall and headed toward the right parking lot. As we stood, going down the escalator, I felt so lucky to have shared the moment. Our faces were red, our noses were cold and we were tired, but we were both laughing. We smiled like children, promising we would not tell any of our relatives about our adventure because they would never let us live it down.

On that escalator, Gram and I were both little girls again. It didn't matter that we were freezing, that neither of us could find our way out of a shoe box without a map (or with one) or that the other people on the escalator were looking at us like a gang of grinsches and scrooges. All that mattered was that we were together. And that made it feel like Christmas a few days early.

## Top ten things to do instead of work

Jeff Komanetsky '98

Features Writer

10. Think about the effect that ESPN has had on your life.

9. Sleep

8. Think of a fun way to exterminate the 1.5 billion squirrels that have on campus housing.

7. Ask a Friar if he's wearing anything under that robe.

6. Kiss Pete Gillen's butt for coming to PC.

5. Baywatch

4. Make a list of 2001 reasons PC should have E-Mail.

3. Create a "Where's Louie" board game.

2. Make up a beer dance that will make it rain beer.

1. Anything

# Corner From Abroad: Pondering My Leap Across the Atlantic

Bridget Hughes '96

Contributing Writer

People say that going abroad is not for everyone.

When I first heard this statement, I never really thought about the meaning. But, the longer I live in Spain and struggle with the language, and the more I try to understand the culture, I can easily see what an important statement it is.

Being 20 years old, I know that this is an important time for change. Change spans over many years, and each of us changes throughout college and continues to change as we grow into adults. As I walk around the beautiful city of

Gravada, Spain, I feel myself immediately changing and growing. I suddenly see things in a new way. Going abroad has already caused me to contemplate many things about myself. It has made me take an honest look at who I am, and see my weaknesses as well as my strengths.

Since I have left the U.S., there have been many times that I have seriously thought that I can't handle this experience. Maybe I wasn't as brave as I thought. Maybe for the first time I am in way over my head. I feel helpless at times... I don't like it. Where is my courage, my stamina...my stability? Did I leave them at home?

As I explore and discover my new environment, I see the places that I have

read about, or seen pictures of in history books. I feel overwhelmed and in awe of what I see before me. The continent I have dreamed of for so long is finally tangible. I am here in Europe. Perhaps, this thought is the only one that keeps me going. Or, perhaps it is my stubbornness. I won't let myself down.

This is the right thing to do. I know

this because although I have tremendous fear, I have a great respect of and love for Europe, as well as Spain. I admit, that I miss the U.S. terribly. I miss my family, my friends... I miss the familiar. But - I love being here- to see the historic sites, to speak a new language, to meet new people and to gain an experience that will last a lifetime.

## WHAT?

You're not going to Fribourg next year? Providence-in-Europe is still accepting applications for The University of Fribourg, Switzerland for 1995-1996. If you are a sophomore in good academic standing with a background in French or German, it is not too late to apply.

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# Pulp friars

Jeff Komanetsky '98

Features Writer

**pulp** (pulp) n.-A soft, shapeless mass of matter.

**Pulp Fiction**-A Quentin Tarantino film.

**Pulp Friars**-A soft, lazy, shapeless, mass of P.C. student (i.e., you).

**Pulp Writer**-Me

**Pulp Article**-This

He's soft, shapeless and has had to change his name since Louie's closed down...

He uses Cliff Notes for his Cliff Notes and believes the new meal plan should have included nearby package stores...

He is a restless warrior in the war against work ethic and maturity and we all hope to God he wins...

He is in you, me and (whether they admit it or not) everyone around you...

He is the innate quality that takes laziness and combines it with personality and he is what makes us all... Pulp Friars.

To quote a line from the Quentin Tarantino film, *Pulp Fiction*, "Personality goes a long way." This universal truth cannot possibly have a greater significance to any one group of people more than the student body at Providence College. It is here, at PC, that we take the essence of personality and stretch it to another level. Although we have often fallen victim to laziness, both scholastically and academically, what makes us stand out is the way we put our personality into everything we do. It is perfectly acceptable to sit around and do nothing-as long as we do it with personality.

It is hard to imagine that there is anyone on campus who hasn't, at one time or another, acted like a true Pulp Friar. If this wasn't true about someone, they'd be working for NASA right now trying

to predict whether or not monkey feces would smell bad in outer space. We have all strayed from the path of work ethic. Anyone who has ever had someone briefly summarize Cliff Notes for them or has written an essay on a book they've never read or has taken a course in naked underwater basketweaving just because they've heard it's an easy "A" has therefore acted like a true Pulp Friar.

The Pulp Friar does not only dwell in the realm of academics. He or she can thrive in all areas of life. Anyone who knows that nearly every bench in the weight room is perfect for taking a nap or that you don't feel well when you try to run off the beer calories while you're still drunk (ADMIT IT) certainly knows the golden rule-It's not what you don't do, it's how you don't do it!

To be a Pulp Friar, one does not necessarily have to be extremely lazy. Such a problem can be compensated by a lack of maturity and motivation towards unacceptable behavior. If you need to work on some Pulp Activities, try some of the following: 1) Attempting to swear, at least once, in every major paper or essay that you have to do, 2) if you get mad at your roommate, try duck taping him or her to the ceiling (never underestimate the power of duck tape!), 3) try to create your own beer machine. You'll get the hang of it eventually.

We are all very different from each other, yet we share similar experiences. At one time or another, we have all spent several hours watching some stupid show like *Soul Train: Live from Nashville!!* just because the TV remote was missing and we were too lazy to get up and change the channel manually. We have all, at one time or another, laid in bed in complete agony early in the morning, simply because we were too tired to get up and walk down the hall to the bathroom. Never be ashamed of what you are. Laziness is a virtue and personality makes it stylish. Be a Pulp Friar!



# Chalk it up to experience



Melissa McCrosson '95

Features Writer

After three and a half years of college, I find myself walking the halls of a high school. Sound like a weird dream? Well, it's my weird dream and I'm living it, this time as a student teacher. So I think I'm supposed to be an adult now. Over Christmas Break I expected to have some startling metamorphosis from Melissa McCrosson, college student to Ms McCrosson, student teacher. To accomplish this change of lifestyle, I spent my break doing "adult" things: acquiring a professional wardrobe (with the help of Santa), contemplating a more mature hairstyle, discussing future goals and aspirations with friends over cocktails, getting fitted for a bridesmaid's dress, and planning a Bridal Shower. OK, I'm done, right? Now I can feel confident about going to student teach at Johnston High School. Wrong! All of the sudden I feel as if I know nothing. The three and a half years I have spent studying grammar and literature along with all sorts of educational methods and theories have eluded me. How can I get up in front of class of twenty-five students who are close enough in age to be my peers and expect them to learn from and respect me?

What it all amounts to is I can look the part of an adult, but I have a hard time living it. If being an adult means getting up at 5:30 a.m. every morning, I can't handle the responsibility - I'll be flying off to Never-Never Land faster

than you can call me Tinkerbell. So now I'm stuck in some sort of horrible tug of war between my desire to savor my last semester as a college student and my responsibilities as an educator.

I came home after my first day at Johnston High School and sobbed uncontrollably. I wanted to have a normal second semester and I felt completely out of the mainstream of student life. I missed little things like seeing people between classes in Harkins, my job in the English Department, eating lunch in Mondo. I go to bed at 10:00, but I'm comatose by 8:00 anyway. No more just hanging around late at night killing time. When my alarm clock goes off before dawn, I can't contemplate skipping class - I must wake up. My weekends are questionable: by Friday I am too exhausted to move, which leaves me with only Saturday, but I can't have too much fun on Saturday because I have a lot of work to do on Sunday. Basically I feel like I have a full-time, non-paying job in addition to two night classes and a work study job.

Even though I feel overwhelmed sometimes, I realize that the first two weeks are supposed to be the hardest, so I am coping. I admit it's kind of cool being on the other side in a high school. I get to hang out in the faculty room and I have the unlimited power of the hall pass. I still remember the rush I got the first time I told a student to quiet down and sit in his seat. Then there's the matter of on the job experience; while my confidence is pretty low now, I know that at the end of these twelve weeks, I'll feel ready to take on every educational and literary obstacle that is thrown at me. This is a lot more than most other graduating seniors can say about their future professions. It's also kind of cool not to have to worry about writing papers and taking tests; instead I'm grading them.

For now, I'm just trying to keep sane and get my lesson plans done. I don't even miss eating lunch in Mondo anymore because I hear the lines are too long and there's no place to sit. After April 13th, I'll be reveling in the fact that I'm done except for my night classes and it will all be a distant memory - but then I'll have to start looking for a real job.

## \*\*\* ATTENTION: LIBERAL ARTS MAJORS \*\*\*

Have you considered the Business Studies Program? If you are presently an undeclared student or are considering a LIBERAL ARTS major but wish to also consider BUSINESS, perhaps I can be of some assistance to you.

The BUSINESS STUDIES PROGRAM consists of seven business and business-related courses that students can take to supplement a non-business major. (For example, a Humanities major might utilize elective courses to complete the requirements of the Business Studies Program.)

We will be accepting applications until April 21. Detailed information packets about the program with an attached application form are available at 115 Koffler Hall, 9 a.m. through 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Mrs. Ann Galligan Kelly  
Director, Business Studies Program



# Mondo Gaffe

Mat Bunnell '95

Asst. Features Editor

Aaaaaahhhhhh!!! Here we are again, home sweet home... Providence College, where the beers flow gently like a mountain stream (now if they could only flow as gently on the way out as they do going in) and the students blow steam as gently as a Caribbean hurricane. This is my last semester here (cue the large cry of joy from the Priory) and if there is one thing I've learned it's that when you mess with the students, you will hear about it and hear about it some more until there's absolutely nothing more to be said (remember Alcohol Awareness Day?). So, being that this is true, I wonder why this school continues to make decisions that seem so totally wrong that it makes you wonder where these "expert" decisions come from.

The Mondo Mess which greeted us as we returned from break is such a ridiculous attempt at making a change just to make a change that I cannot even grasp how this could have happened. I don't care about the upperclassman/underclassman conflict because if any of us upperclassmen had this available we would do the same damn thing. In fact, I would possibly prefer to eat dog@#% rather than sitting through some of Raymond's Magical Mystery Meat Medleys (then again, it could be the same animal, if you know what I'm saying). I know that the food situation must be fixed. My mother knows it has to be fixed. The school knows it has to be fixed. My dog has got to get fixed...ummm...well, you get the point. It is not an easy problem to be handled. It won't happen over a month by offering upperclassmen some expensive meal plan when they could spend half the money and get a better meal off campus or offering underclassmen the ability to eat at a cafeteria not designed to accommodate the traffic which the plan would produce. And the faculty is involved as well. They eat at Mondo too. Well, just wait in line with the rest of us because we're in this together (You know, I think I can see the mini-mall from back here...oohhh baby, we're moving now!!).

I told myself that I wouldn't write an article about this because there would probably be 16 other articles about this topic in the paper. It goes back to the "ol' you mess with me, you mess with my whole college" philosophy that is prevalent at PC. You've most likely heard every opinion, every solution, every iota of information you could ever hear or want to hear about this junk, right? Well, I'm sorry but just like everyone else here, I like to bitch and moan. It's not something they look for when they are sifting through the applications to get into PC, but for some reason that's the case. We go to and fro, day in, day out, with the same ol' same ol' and when something infringes upon that scene, then the \*&@\$ really hits the fan (Hmm, it smells like the Salisbury steak at the cafel). My question to the high-wage yet low-IQ "decision-makers" who make decisions such as this is "Why?" I know that to change this now would get the underclassmen just as mad as the upperclassmen are now. Well, here's an idea...get better food at Raymond. Whoa! Now that was a tough one. What I mean is that there is a reason why the line for Mondo is so freaking long and guess who it is? It's the students who ate at Raymond and are now choosing to not eat at Raymond. See the trend? Good boy, now go chase the stick...RRRuffff!!!

This article is opinionated and babble and stupid, I do know that. You can come up to me tomorrow and say "you know, Mat, your article really blew" and that's fine and dandy. The point here is that I wish the school would listen to the criticism too. Sometimes you just have to swallow your pride and say "I messed up"...but that won't happen here. The day that someone in charge takes the blame for something is the day this place has co-ed showers. Thus, the message to the school is that if you "drop the soap" even though it might hurt a little, it's all right to pick it back up.

# The ultimate travel challenge: Mastering European bathrooms

Juliette Marchioli '95

Features Writer

For first-time visitors to Europe, a list of instructions is often distributed to help make the trip run more smoothly. Information is offered on hotels and places of interest, on train schedules and exchange rates. Almost every conceivable matter of importance is described in detail in order to assist the tentative traveler. However, one subject is negligently omitted from these lists. It is a matter which affects us all and is truly vital towards the pleasant passing of each day. Perhaps the reason for this oversight lies in the delicate nature of the issue itself. Discussion on the essentials of toilet etiquette can admittedly be awkward, however, just like sightseeing, it must be done, but preferably with as little pain as possible. The following is the guide you won't get from your travel agent, but is one you should heed, in order to insure an enjoyable European experience.

In Europe, with no kinder way of phrasing it, going to the bathroom can sometimes be more trouble than its worth. Standards and degrees of efficiency vary greatly depending on where in Europe you find yourself. Sometimes it's as easy as walking into the lavatory and tending to personal matters, but in other instances it can become an embarrassing struggle, throughout which one wonders how it can be possible that there are still parts of Europe so out of touch with the 20th century.

Above all else, remember to retain your sense of humor when visiting the bathrooms across Europe and try not to be immediately scandalized. Beginning in Belgium, you approach your first WC and find only one door in front of you, a door which carries two pictures, one of a man and the other of a woman. This is not a tasteless joke by the proprietor, nor did the guy who puts up the pictures get confused. What you are fac-

ing is indeed a co-ed bathroom. Despite this shocking image, it will be clean and the door will lock. A word of caution: sometimes the room contains more than a stall, which means you will have company and not be able to make your visit alone. So if you are a male, be brave when you stand at the urinal while random women are gathered around you gossiping at the sink.

In Germany, finding separate bathrooms is more common, but still not a stress-free search, since when you come upon those two doors, there is no clear indication of which one belongs to you. So begins the painfully drawn-out process of trying to figure out which bathroom to venture into. The reason for the confusion is that unlike the Belgians who use pictures to appeal to visual skills, the Germans insist on being complicated and writing out their door labels. Hence, one door will read "Damen" and the other "Herren." For those not fluent in German, do not try to be logical in your quest to decipher which door is which. "Da"men" does not equal "men," nor does "Her"ren mean "her." It is, in fact, the exact opposite. Logic will fail you with regards to foreign language bathroom door labels. Ask for help to avoid inevitable humiliation.

At some point, the issue of money has to come up. Not because your trip will be expensive, but because you must never enter a washroom without money in hand. Not only might you be sent away by the very large, stern-looking woman blocking the entrance, preventing you from even going in to wash your hands, you might also find yourself on the receiving end of a nasty string of epithets if you try to sneak away after using the facilities without paying. It is therefore not a good idea to arrive at a lavatory penniless, lest you antagonize the already disgruntled woman who cleans toilettes for a living.

Most important of all, never, ever make the tragic mistake of waiting until you're hopping on one foot before seeking out a toilet, since as you might discover in France, the door will be locked tight and you will be doomed, unless you have the exact change to insert in the little box perched on the knob. There will be no sympathetic bathroom monitor here to save you, and it's dangerous to try to get into the stall via other methods. You could get stuck under the door or slip climbing over it. The lesson is, you can't "go" anywhere unless you have the correct change. (Works with the subway too.)

Of course, also while in France, for the fortunate males who don't mind relieving themselves in public, there is the "pissior" in a busy city square, where metal siding creates a little booth for obvious purposes. Then again, you might choose to bond with the locals and find a quiet corner as they do, but then that's getting pretty disgusting and desperate, and hopefully no one would be driven to this extreme.

Unfortunately, the final toilet alternative is equally, if not more repulsive than the public option, and will be encountered as you travel further South. This arrangement is particularly common in Italy, where you will find a ceramic square on the ground, raised platforms for your feet, water rushing in between, and a hole. As long as you have good aim and don't drop your car keys into the hole (as my mother did once, a frightening retrieval experience, I can assure you), simply grit your teeth, remain calm, and tolerate the situation until you can move on and hopefully find a civilized bathroom once again. If nothing else, upon returning to the States you'll probably never take your powder room for granted again, but will always remember the challenge of the European bathroom experience.

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9. Cops finally convinced him that the drinking age had in fact changed from 18 to 21.

8. Ran off with Your Mother('s)

7. Gone bankrupt from enormous Dominican bar tab.

6. Went on rampage after hearing "I Will Survive" one too many times.

5. Juror in O.J. Simpson trial

4. Excessive pressure from college to let meal plan be used at establishment

3. MONO

2. Refused "an offer he couldn't refuse"

1. Three words: You're under arrest

# Eat 'em up, go PC!

Stacy A. Baker '96

Features Writer

In high school there were two types of people who always got picked on. One was the kid with perfect grades who ruined every curve, and the other—the kid in the band. These "geeks on parade," as they were called at Randolph High School (my alma mater) were frequently humiliated at football games. But how could they possibly command respect when week after week they marched around in bell-bottom polyester pants, white patent-leather shoes, and the hideous hat with the huge feather?

The Providence College Pep Band, however, is not made up of people who are forced to play an instrument because their parents wanted them to have some sort of talent. These students play because they want to play. They are dedicated, hard-working and are deserving of more credit than they have been getting thus far. Most of them have been tooting, strumming, and/or striking for ten years or more. A talented crew, I must say.

But aside from the parties, performances, and weekly rehearsals, Pep Band is about making friends and having fun. "It's about camaraderie, basically," Band President Craig Donnelly ('97) states emphatically, "It's almost not like a band. It's a club where people happen to play instruments." This "club" can not only be found cheering

on the basketball team at the Civic Center, but occasionally they find themselves in Schneider Arena for a hockey game or in Alumni Hall for a Lady Friar basketball game.

From my own experience, one of the best times I've had at Providence was the annual trip to the BIG EAST Tournament last spring. It was just after PC beat UCONN. I was walking around Rockefeller Center with fellow band members Marie Gibbons, Sarah Farkas, and Lenore Walsh when we passed Mike Meyers, from Saturday Night Live, coming out of the NBC Studios. That, and being there when the Friars became BIG EAST Champs, made for a weekend we won't soon forget.

Rumor has it that the reason Providence fans perpetually leave the Civic Center well before the last buzzer has sounded is not because they want to avoid the rush in the parking lots, but because they think that the Pep Band won't be playing the Cowbell Song again that night. And the reason that it is so quiet during half-time and time-outs is so that they can be sure to hear the flute solo in "You Can Call Me Al." Finally, the real reason ticket prices had to be raised was because when the band stopped playing crowd-pleaser "The Horse," they had to find some way to compensate for the drop in ticket sales. These are all rumors, I know, but isn't there always some shred of truth in every rumor?

Kristen Garipey '95

Editor-in-Chief

May 21, it doesn't seem that far away anymore, does it? Most of us can remember Orientation like it was last week, almost all of us have numerous distinctive memories from freshman year. And, of course, the good times increased as the days went by. Now we're sitting in classes somewhat numb (this is what I get for waiting to fulfill my core requirements - they really ARE boring!) and hoping to go out as much as possible. Once upon a time "going out a lot" was Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and for some, Wednesday, too. Now, knowing that diplomas loom in the near distance, any day ending in 'y' opens the doors to the local hangouts. And 100 days ago, we said "Wow! Only 195 days left. 95 Days will never come." As expected, we were wrong again. Like most seniors, I spent the past weekend chitchatting with past PCers. You can't really TALK to these people, because it's somehow different. (Unless, of course, you have kept in close touch.) But, unfortunately for many, the conversations were about as stimulating as the typical "Back from Summer or Xmas break" conversation. "Hey! What's up? How've you been? What have you been up to?" (yawn) Don't get me wrong, I love tons of the people I saw this past weekend. It felt like the absolutely best times and friends of my four years at PC were suddenly all around me. And, like many others believe, it was like none of the old friends had ever left. They just took some kind of extended sabbatical. Too bad I woke up on Sunday morning, and, just like last year or in 1993, they were all instantly gone. Of course, none of this is anything to particularly whine about. It's obvious from seeing old friends that life DOES go on after PC. I guess it just doesn't make me smile to think about the fact that we'll soon be in the same situation. Something else I'm noticing is that there are many members of the Class of 1995 who are actually WAITING to graduate. Sure, they all have their own reasons and many already have future plans. But I just can't figure out how someone could want to quicken up any part of their life. The more you wish away, the more you miss and, eventually, regret missing. Basically, the final four months are here and for those of us intent on making them the best ever, here's to Spring in 1995!

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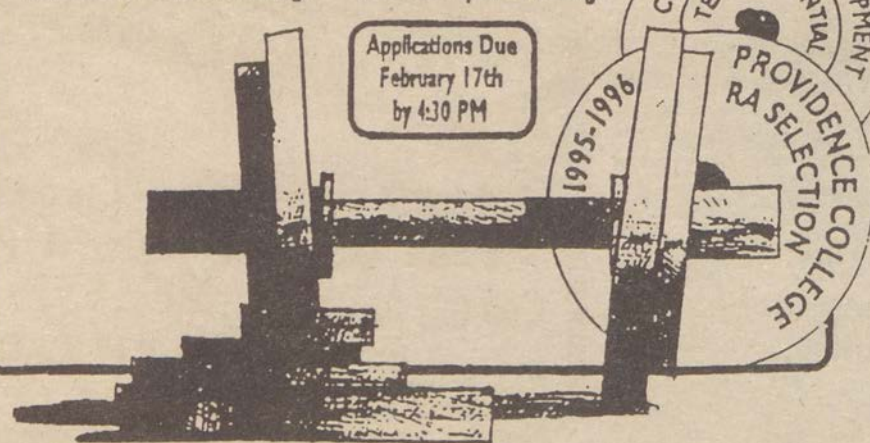
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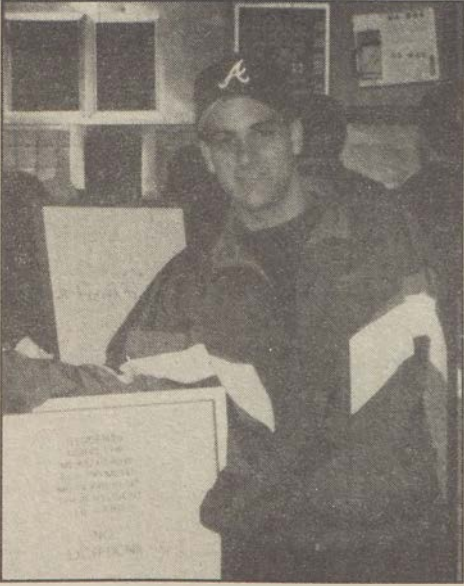


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SENIORITYS



# What do you think about the "new" eating arrangements?



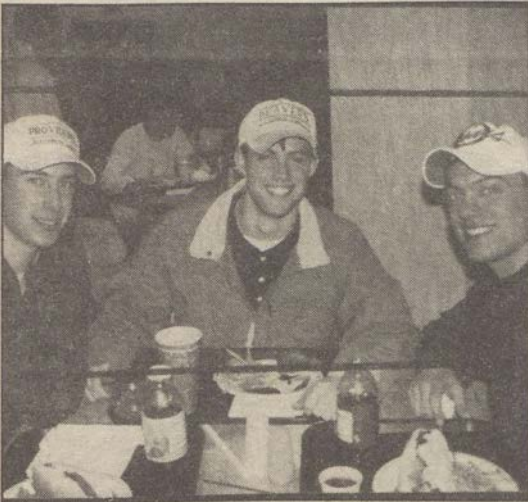
**Tony Troilo '96:** If I had \$500 to spend, I'd go to Cancun!



**Christina Rodrigues '96, Maalikat Vill '97 & Tish Blea '96:** The lines are really long!



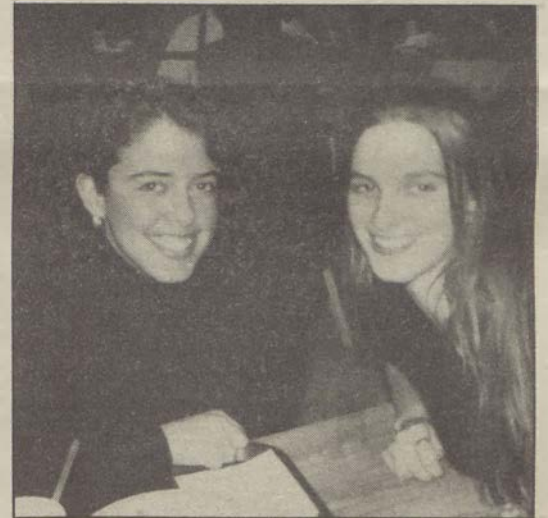
**Mark Valahoule '97, Andrea Tuccillo '97, Kathleen O'Brien '97:** It's great!



**Dave Salerno '98, Ken Thibault '98, Marc Ricci '98:** Variety, even though its a further walk.



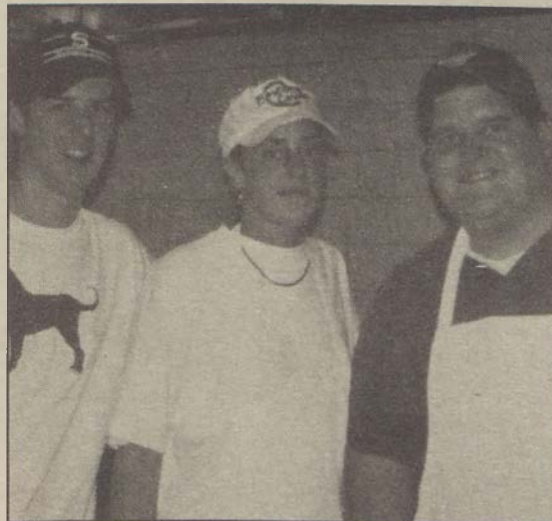
**Maureen Mullins '95, Melanie Wilcox '95:** We had to serve our time in Raymond, why don't they?



**Allison McNamara '97, Tammy Reina '97:** We like it alot better thanthe upperclassmen do.



**Karim O'Hearn '97, Candace Cocco '97:** What's this place called?



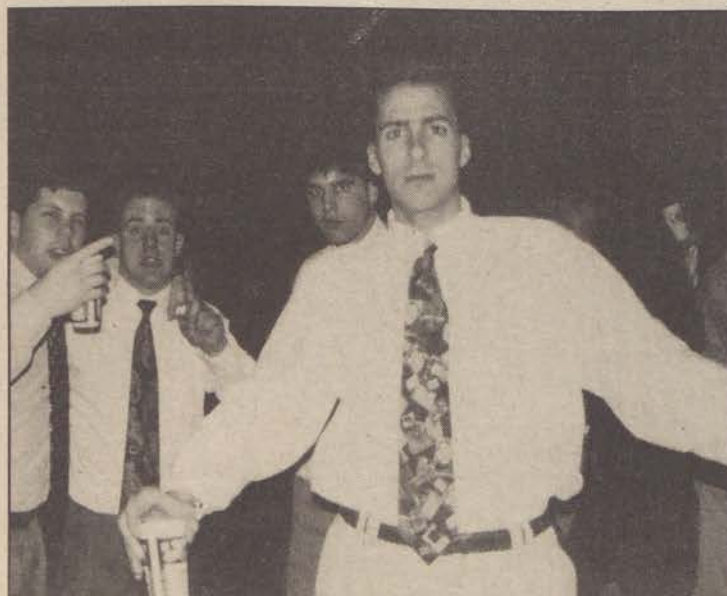
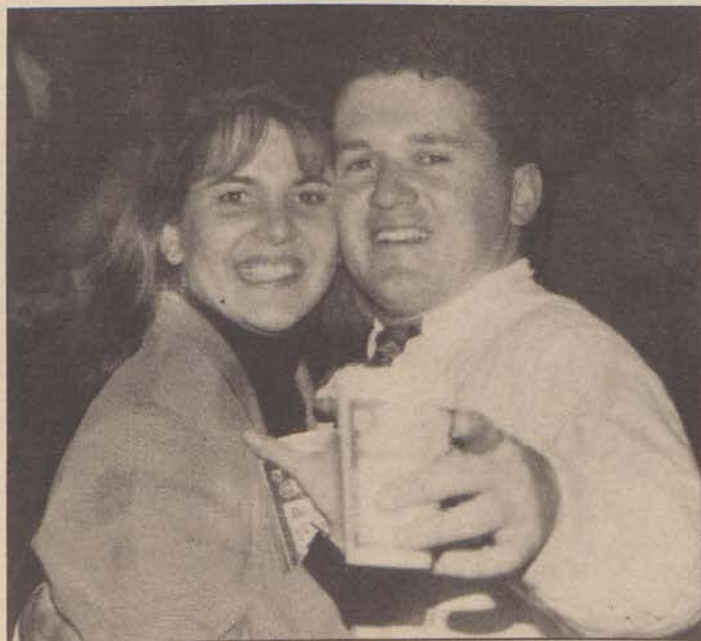
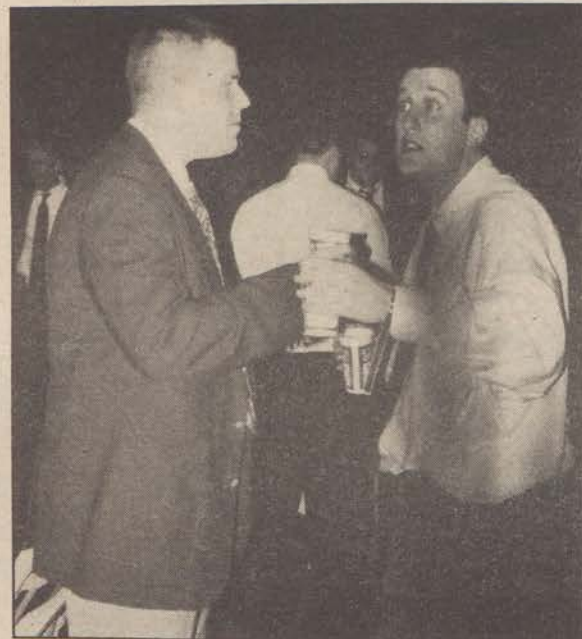
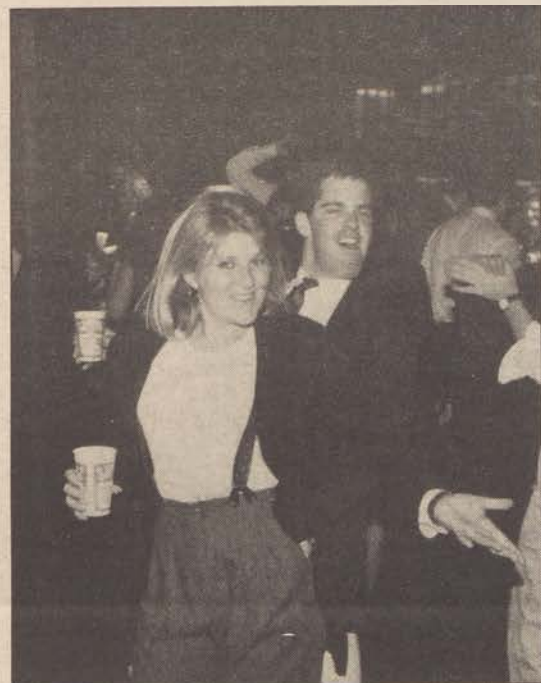
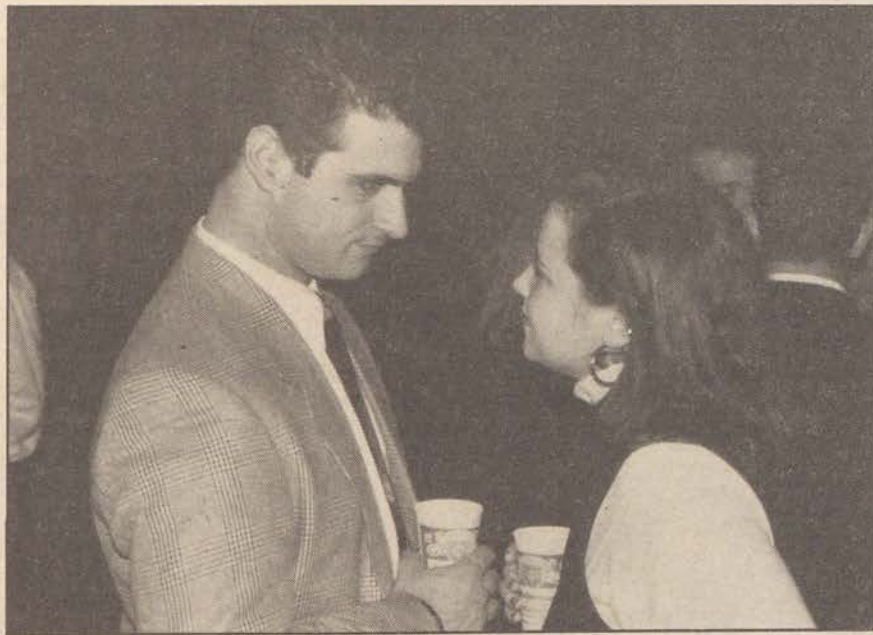
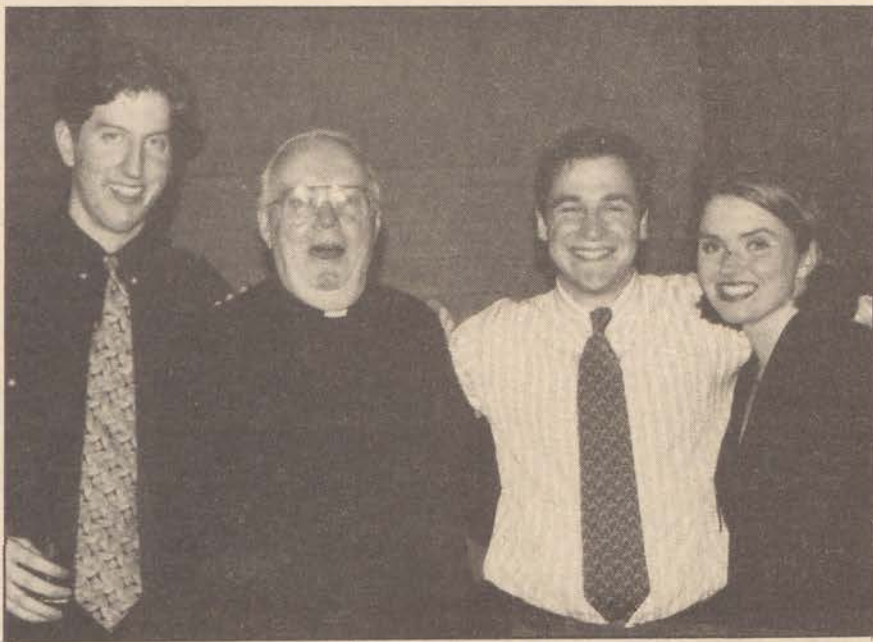
**Mondo workers Jeff Gould '97, Kevin Curran '95, Lauren Cauley '97:** We enjoy spitting in the sandwiches - just kidding!



**Jen Sarkas '95:** Its too disturbing and you can't get any work done.



# Winterfest 1995!!!



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# While We Were Gone...

The following are statistics from games played during finals week through the break.

## Men's Hockey

12/9	@ Northeastern	3-3
12/10	Northeastern	10-3W
12/30	@ Dartmouth	4-2L
12/31	vs. Illinois-Chicago	7-2L
1/6	Air Force	6-1W
1/7	Air Force	6-4W
1/10	BU	9-2L
1/13	Clarkson	6-3L
1/14	Clarkson	7-6L

## Women's Hoops

12-10	Georgetown	82-63W
12-12	@UMass	52-64L
12-19	William and Mary	73-58W
12-20	Clemson	79-88L
12-21	UNC-Greensboro	105-100W
12-28	@ Stanford	63-107L
12-30	@ St. Mary's	88-103L
1-2	St John's	83-85L
1-4	Syracuse	65-72L
1-7	Seton Hall	71-90L
1-11	Connecticut	50-104L
1-15	Villanova	67-75L
1-18	@ Pittsburgh	51-78L
1-21	@ Miami	78-82L

## Swimming

First place Friar finishers at the R.I. Invitational

400 Medley Relay	McAllister, Longo, Brown, Nathe
1000 Freestyle	Stephen Brown
200 Freestyle	Paul Nathe
500 Freestyle	Stephen Brown
400 Freestyle Relay	Brown, Egbert, Ahearn, Nathe
400 Medley Relay	Tamburo, McWeeney, Najjar, Newall
200 IM	Collen Doyle
200 Medley Relay	Tamburo, McWeeney, Lee, Sweetster
400 IM	Collen Doyle
200 Freestyle	Kierstin Newell
200 Butterfly	Shannon Najjar
100 Backstroke	Michelle Tamburo
50 Freestyle	Kiersten Newell

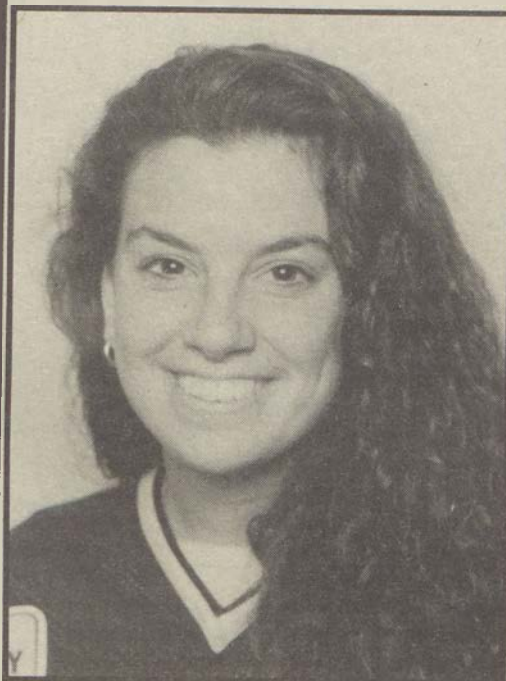
## Men's Basketball

NIAGRA	W94-74
BRYANT	W85-60
OKLAHOMA	W93-78
South Carolina	W79-71
ST. JOHN'S	L89-74
PITTSBURGH	W85-81
BC	W71-69
Connecticut	L70-62
MIAMI	L81-75
SYRACUSE	L58-57

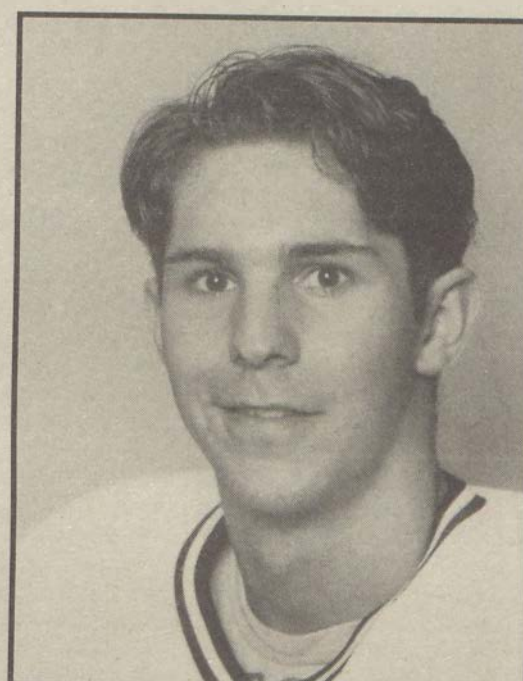
## Hockey East

	W	L	T	S	PTS
Maine	9	0	6	1	58
BU	9	3	3	2	53
UNH	8	4	3	0	46
UMass-Lowell	7	5	1	1	38
Northeastern	5	6	4	4	37
Merrimack	4	7	4	3	31
Providence	4	7	3	1	27
BC	4	9	2	1	25
UMass	2	11	0	0	10

# PC Athletes of the Week



**Jen Wagner '96**  
(Hanover, Massachusetts)  
Women's Ice Hockey



**Jon LaVarre '95**  
(Northfield, Illinois)  
Men's Ice Hockey

Wagner scored three goals in three games this week as the women's ice hockey team went 2-1. In the wins against Boston College and Dartmouth, Wagner scored both game-winning goals. She also tallied a goal in the team's 4-2 loss to St. Lawrence.

Jon scored four goals in three games as PC went 2-1. In the 6-3 upset win over #10 ranked Brown, LaVarre scored two goals, including the game-winner. Jon also scored one goal in each game of last weekend's split with UMass-Amherst.

## #1 MINUTEMEN INVADE CIVIC CENTER

*Bob Rothwell '95*

On Thursday, January 19th, the number one ranked team in men's college basketball made an appearance downtown at the Providence Civic Center. No, the UMASS Minutemen did not travel down route 146 to square off against the Friars, but instead showed why they are the nation's top team as they overmatched the Rhody Rams 91-75. Marcus Camby led all scorers with 27 points for the Minutemen who consistently beat URI downcourt for easy layups and dunks and pushed their lead to thirty points with 7:30 left in the game. For the Rams, Cordell Llewellyn scored 21 points and admitted after the game that the toughness of UMASS and their desire to stay #1 was the driving force behind the Minutemen's victory.

The last time the number one team in the country played at the Providence Civic Center was when the Duke Blue Devils played in the Industrial National Classic hosted by PC. The Duke team was led to an 82-78 victory by Mike Gminski, who later played in the NBA, in taking the championship of this in-season tournament.

On December 29, 1976 the Nation's top-ranked team, Michigan, lost to the Friars 82-80 in what many consider to be the greatest game in PC's basketball history. Michigan came into the Providence Civic Center ranked #1 and had an Olympic Gold Medalist in Phil Hubbard and an All-America in Ricky Green. Bob Cooper blocked five shots for PC in the first four minutes as the Friars hung tough but the Wolverines proved tougher as they went up seven in the second half. Bruce Campbell (25 pts) and Joe Hassett (21 pts) sparked a 14-4 run and the game went into an extra session. Bob Misevicius hit a jumper at the end of the first OT to send it into a second overtime. With time running out, Campbell threw a perfect pass to Misevicius who banked in a 12-footer to give Providence its only upset ever of the number one team in the country.

## PROVIDENCE COLLEGE FRIARS VA. NATION'S #1 TEAM AT THE PROVIDENCE CIVIC CENTER

December 29, 1976	Providence College	82	Michigan	80
December 22, 1979	Providence College	78	Duke	82



# Hellish Regimes

## More To The Life Of An Athlete

### THE BIG EAST CONFERENCE

Annica Ambrose '96

Assistant Sports Editor

Talent is only a basic ingredient in the making of an athletic team. Hard work and long hours are essential to the recipe for success as well as the random "hellish" things that go along with being an athlete in the Big East.

6:00 a.m. field hockey practices on bitter cold winter mornings.. Lady Friar hockey trips lasting a month straight with only a few stops to home.. Runners who average 75 miles of roadwork per week.. Keeping your clothes on as you sit in trash barrels filled with ice.. Two hour film sessions where coaches can point out every stupid mistake you made in the game the night before because it is now on video and they have a rewind button.. Having your hands taped to a volleyball for two hours straight just to get the "feel" of the ball and the form you should have.. Stifling the urge you get to skip a class because you know a coach will be waiting at the door for you and it will be a "team" punishment if you are the one to get caught skipping.. Preseason windsprints that leave you in tears. The "circle of

death.." A hockey team that runs at 6:30 a.m. only to have a regular practice and a lifting session later on in the day.. A women's basketball team who was off to Alaska as we were home unwrapping our Christmas gifts.. A coach seeing your grades before you do.. Mandatory study hall every single night of the week for at least three hours whether you have work to do or not.. 11:00 curfews on weekend nights before a game where you wait for the captain's call to make sure you are home safe and sound.. Not being allowed to wear hats or sweats to class to keep the "respectable" image of your team up.. Having only three days off between a fall and a spring season.. Baseball players running after dark or lacrosse players on timed run after timed run.. Sitting on a freezing metal bench during a late fall game in the rain only to end in a disappointing tie.. Double sessions that seem to never end.. Having loads of work yet having to balance it between practices and games.. 10:00p.m. practices held because it is the only hour besides 6:00a.m. your team is able to reserve Peterson.. Driving to a road game in vans packed with irritable and nervous athletes.. Traveling to Brown or RIC just to use a gym that is not available at PC.. Getting weighed in....need I say more??

## Men's Basketball continued

traded hoops. Gillen called a time-out, despite his team's sixteen point advantage.

His squad responded with a 12-1 run, sparked by Williams who had five points in the spurt and Zielinski, who hit for ten second half points, to make it 60-33. On the evening the 6'7 guard hit 4 of 5 from the floor (1-2 from three point range), and was a perfect 5 for 5 from the line. Zielinski, primarily known as a three point threat, even added a dunk. "Over the years, I have been working on getting more versatile. People knew I was a three point shooter, so they'd get up on me", explained the 24 year old Polish import.

Michael Brown moved back to the point after playing shooting guard on Saturday. Franklin Western teamed with him in the backcourt because Borja Larragan had a sore hamstring and couldn't start, though he did come off the bench and contribute. Brown seemed comfortable with Western as his partner and scored nine points, including one trey in a solid effort. The lineup change also allowed Croshere to start at small forward, freeing him to play outside more. Croshere theorized that, "because I'm 6'9, they don't guard me outside all the time."

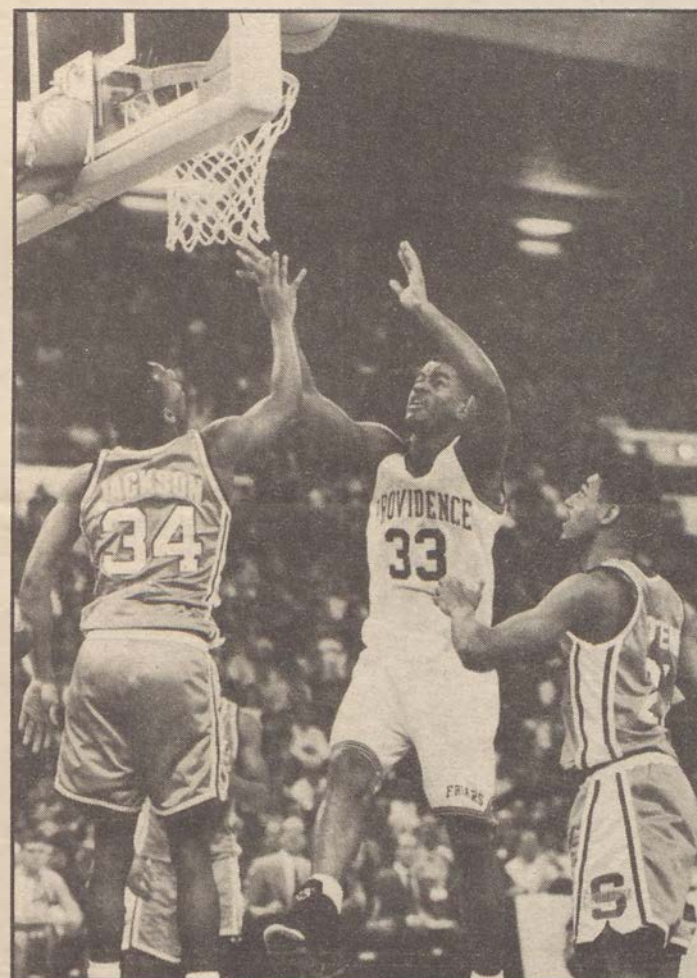
The Friars, who are last in the conference in rebounding, showed signs of the glass-grabbing prowess of last year's team, as both squads grabbed thirty one each. Evans, the freshman seven-footer, had two points, two rebounds, and three blocks,

while a foul-plagued Troy Brown led the club with six boards. Senior Tony Thomas also scored the first two points of his college career in the game's closing moments.

BC's disheartened coach Jim O'Brien credited the Friars for their performance, saying, "In every aspect, Providence dominated the game." He expressed great displeasure with his own squad, who hit only 50% of their foul shots, by closing his locker room to the press, explaining, "They have nothing to say", and calling a post-game practice.

PC's swarming defense had a lot to do with BC's woeful outing. The Friars forced 26 turnovers and though the Eagles' shooting percentage wasn't much more than

Providence's 40% performance. BC got off only 42 shots to the black and white's 55. Gillen was surprised by the romp, saying, "I never dreamed the final score would turn out to be what it was." It was a big victory for the Friars, who play four of their next five games on the road. Saturday, PC travels to face Kerry Kittles and Villanova in Philadelphia before a Wednesday date with Seton Hall at the Civic Center. After the game, Troy Brown predicted, "I think we're going to shock a lot of people. Everyone's getting to know their roles and we're starting to gel."



Troy Brown

## Women's Basketball continued

valuable experience they're gaining now will benefit us later. We'll get some people back in February and we'll take it from there."

When asked about the rumor that there was an apparent connection between the team's sneakers and the unusual number of injuries this year Coach Foley responded, "That is not true. Broken wrists, sore knees, and torn ACL's do not result from sneakers, It's just really bad luck on our part."

The Lady Friars most recently played at Pittsburgh, where they were handed a 27 point loss (78-51), and at Miami, where they were dealt a heartbreaking two point defeat (80-78). Heide Moyano was the leading scorer at Miami with 29 points and Kerri Chatten grabbed 8 rebounds.

"We are taking games one at a time right now and not looking to one specific game. We're trying to remain focused on the game at hand and not the one down the road," said Foley. "With the Boston College win fresh under our belts, we have some confidence going to Georgetown. We've been working hard and we've finally gotten the monkey off our back. I'm looking forward to Washington now."

The Lady Friars travel to our nation's capital on Saturday to play the Hoyas and then will play the number-one ranked women's team in Connecticut on Tuesday in Alumni Gym in front of a sell-out crowd.

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# Heartbreaker!

## Lloyd three-pointer sinks Friars

Justin Macione '95

Sports Editor

The Providence College basketball team dropped a heartbreaking 58-57 decision to the Syracuse Orangemen on Saturday afternoon of Alumni Weekend. Although last night's victory at Boston College (see pp. 24) took the Friars off Big East life support, they didn't envision a 3-5 Big East record nearly halfway through the season.

Usually a home game versus the University of Miami is considered a breather for each Big East club; until two weeks ago, when St. Johns handed the Hurricanes their first-ever conference road win. UM would continue their newfound success away from the tropics, shocking the Friars by an 81-75 final. While Michael Brown returned to form with a 17 point performance, the Friars put up a largely uninspired defensive effort.

The Friars led for much of the first half thanks to an 11 point effort by Troy Brown. However PC finally fell behind with 3:27 remaining on Alex Fraser's shot. The Friars ended their inconsistent first half trailing, 42-40.

The Friars and Hurricanes traded baskets for the first

seven minutes of the second half. However, UM would grab the lead for good at 7:30 on Mitchell Dunn's inside jump shot. The Friars rebounded within one on back to back three pointers with over six minutes left, but a collapse followed. Miami's Steve Edwards responded with a clutch jump shot and Kevin Norris followed up with a three pointer, icing the road upset for the Hurricanes. Edwards led all scorers with 22 points.

Televised before a national audience on CBS, Saturday's contest versus the Syracuse Orangemen displayed a similar trademark; playing down for the lightweights, and playing up for the heavyweights. Gillen also made a lineup change, inserting freshman Borja Larragan at point guard and moving Michael Brown back to his natural shooting guard position. However, the continued lack of depth plagued the Friars, in addition to the heroics of Michael Lloyd's final second three pointer in a 58-57 SU victory. "We did everything we could", added Gillen.

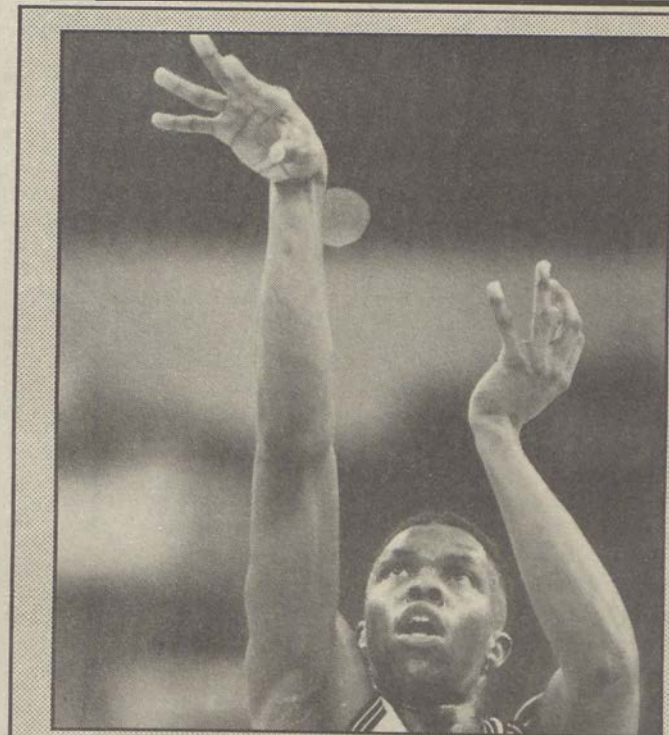
The Friars and Orangemen played even-up for the first sixteen minutes of the first half. Williams paced the Friars with 12 first half points

on 6-7 shooting. "I felt like I was in a groove, so I went to the top of the key and took advantage of my options", explained the current Big East scoring leader. Following a Lazarus Sims three pointer at the buzzer, SU took a 34-27 lead into the locker room at the half.

The Orange opened up the lead to 13 points in the first 11 minutes of the second half. The Friars allowed the SU backcourt of Lloyd and Lawrence Moten additional freedom, while the Friars couldn't capitalize on offensive opportunities.

Lightning finally struck the Friars midway through the half when the Friars went on a 6-0 run, sparked by a Williams three pointer at 12:46. Following an SU lay-up by Luke Jackson, The Friars benefited from a personal and technical foul called on John Wallace. Maciej Zielinski and Franklin Western converted the free throws, and two subsequent Williams jumpers put PC within 1 with 15:36 remaining. "I was making a lot of cuts, and just putting the ball up", added Williams.

The Orange appeared to be pulling away, when an Otis Hill hook shoot stretched their lead to 57-54 with 3:11 remaining. However, Williams found



"I felt live I was in a groove, so I went to the top of the key and took advantage of my options," said Eric Williams of his 24 point performance.

one last spurt, finding a hole for a lay-up and connecting on three consecutive free throws. Yet, PC would experience disappointment before a national audience when Lloyd raced down the court and downed a three from the top of the key with two ticks remaining, stealing the win. "We don't call time-outs with 11 seconds left", added SU coach Jim Boheim, referring to the uncontrolled play.

Saturday's disappointment dropped PC's Big East record to 2-5(3-5) after BC. The occurrence of three home losses is usually a major aberration at the Civic Center. While some fans might be ready to pack the season in and talk NIT, one must remember

preliminary descriptions of this club. The Frontcourt is extremely strong and adequately deep. However, inexperienced guards tend to suffer from early inconsistency. While the front trio of Western, Troy Brown, and Williams can keep games with top ranked teams close, the Friars will continue to have difficulty pulling them out until the bench starts asserting itself and spelling the starting five more often throughout the game. A major test of the club's depth will occur this Saturday when PC travels to the Dupont Pavilion to face the 22nd ranked Villanova Wildcats. The Friars will return to the Civic Center next Saturday to face the under-rated Seton Hall Pirates.

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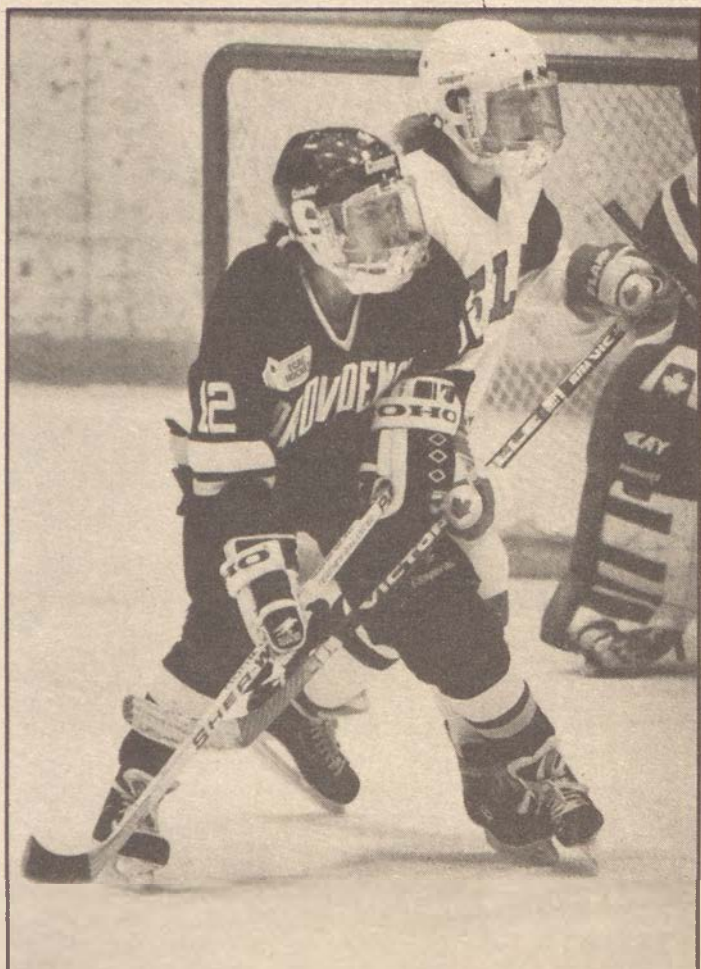
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Alison Wheeler has been a key for the Lady Friars scoring with 39 points so far this season.

Derek Stout '95

Sports Writer

The PC Lady hockey season has hit the five-hundred mark. At 8-8-4 the Lady Friars are suffering one of their worst records in the last four years. This losing skid has been a result of poor defensive play and missed opportunities on the offensive end. PC has a knack of offensively dominating a game but relaxing on defense. This has been the case the last five games the Lady Friars have played.

Wednesday night versus Brown University was indicative of this style of play when PC suffered a 5-4 defeat to put them at 8-8-4 on the season. This defeat was probably the toughest of the eight for PC. The game did not start well from the start as Stephanie O'Sullivan hit the post three minutes into the contest. Brown University then capitalized a minute later to go ahead 1-0. The first period ended with PC

dominating offensively with many good chances and holding down Brown's power play. PC had two chances on the power play in the second period where they could not capitalize. Oddly enough the Lady Friars did it the hard way scoring short-handed compliments of Kathleen Brophy.

The third period was a shoot-out with five goals in total being scored, three by the Brown Bears. PC went down 5-3 on a power play goal by the Bears which was set up by a two player advantage for Brown. Hanson and McCabe were in the penalty box when Brown scored seconds after Hanson's penalty ended. With 8:19 remaining Jenn Wagner scored on a rebound which was set up by a shot on goal by O'Sullivan. But that was as close as PC would come as the game ended 5-4 in Brown's favor.

It was a busy winter break

## Inconsistent Lady Friars Hit Five-Hundred Mark

for the Lady Friar hockey squad. Over a six game span the Lady Friars combined a disappointing 2-2-2 record. This has been the story of their season as they struggle to surpass the five-hundred mark they have been hovering around all season. Inconsistency has been the theme of the season for PC who cannot get on a roll.

On the bright side of this season is the fact that the Lady Friars have managed a 7-3 record within the ECAC conference. But PC has had trouble maintaining any consistency out of conference play. Their longest win streak has only been two games which occurred over a month ago. A major factor for this inconsistency can be attributed to fatigue. The squad is low in numbers compared to past years. Despite these hardships the morale of the team remains high. Junior forward Amy Carlson commented on the team's feelings nineteen games into the season. "We are coming together as a team maintaining a positive attitude. We are not being selfish, we just want to try to keep growing as a team."

Stephanie O'Sullivan continues to lead the team with fifty points, with an astounding thirty-one goals. Closely behind, Alison Wheeler has thirty-nine points and has taken a lot of the weight off of O'Sullivan's shoulders. Wheeler will be looked upon to take over the reign from O'Sullivan after this season. Alison views the inconsistent play of the Lady Friars as the reason for their 8-8-4 record. "We have been very inconsistent, up and down all year long. The Boston College game was a good example of how we have been playing. We came off a bad weekend in the tournament and did not have our heads in the game at all. It has just been a year of ups and downs with no consistent play."

PC is recently returning from a weekend on the road at St. Lawrence and Dartmouth. These two games have been a good example of how the season has been for the Lady Friars. At St. Lawrence, PC was in the game after two periods, but had a dismal third period allowing two goals in a 4-2 defeat. On Sunday PC traveled to Dartmouth to avenge an earlier tie on November 30. PC defeated the Green Wave 6-2 led by Wheeler and Jennifer Wagner who has been a strong offensive force the last month.

Although the Lady Friars are only 8-8-4 in the regular season, they have gone 7-3 within the ECAC conference. The ECAC is a conference that has vastly improved over the last three years. "The team's within the ECAC have grown a lot over the past couple of years," commented Alison Wheeler. "There is no longer three teams that consistently dominate, there is a lot more parity now."

PC has four conference games remaining, and nine overall the majority of which are on the road. These games are crucial to their season as PC is only 2-4-1 away from Schneider Arena. The Lady Friars are sticking to the cliches for the rest of these games. "We just want to take it game by game as we have in the past," said Wheeler. "We have to be ready for each game we play and take each one as it comes." PC attempts to gain their seventh win at home, Sunday at 12:30 versus New Hampshire.

SLAPSHOTS...PC remains strong at home with 6-1-2 record...Jenn Wagner has five goals over the last nine games...O'Sullivan has surpassed her '93-94 mark of 28 goals...PC outshot St. Lawrence and Dartmouth a combined 75-28 and won only one game.

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### A Team Challenge



Marie McMahon '97

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Sports Writer

Records are kept in the hope that someone will someday break them. Some records are very attainable and yet others seem too difficult or even impossible to surpass. Marie McMahon would, in a week's time, feel the ups-and-downs of the "record trend". She ran the best mile time in the country at the New England Challenge at Brown, only to have teammate Amy Rudolph break that time eight days later. Both PC runners currently have the 1-2 times in the country for the mile.

At Brown, the Lady Friars gained a first place finish in the distance medley race, bolstered by the quartet of Perrucci, McNiece, Rudolph, and Haacke. Rudolph also grabbed first place in the 800 meter race. The story of the day was the record-setting performance by McMahon, who ran the mile in 4:43.88. She is now qualified for the NCAA's.

About a week later at the Commonwealth Invitational at Harvard, Rudolph surpassed McMahon's mark by 7.2 seconds to post the top mile time in the country. She was the only PC competitor at the meet. Meanwhile the rest of the squad was at Dartmouth competing in the New England Challenge. Strong performances were turned in as the squad earned 1st place honors in the distance medley (O'Donnell, McNiece, McIsaac, McCarthy), the 4x800 meter (Santana, Harrington, Burke, Murnane), and in the mile (Moirra Harrington).

The men's team continued to show their strength and vigor in the team events, also receiving an outstanding effort from David Healy. The team of Kent, Myers, McNamara, and Libano crossed the finish line first in the 4x800 meter race at 8:04.47. Healy edged out his closest opponent, taking the 3000 meter race at 8:37.37.

It would be no different at the New England Challenge Cup at Boston University, where the team events and Healy would perform to their expectations. PC placed first in the distance medley (Myers, Harrington, McNamara, Healy), as well as the 4x800 meter contest (Blair, Kent, Monks, Libano). David Healy won the mile (4:12.93), and Mark Carroll qualified for the NCAA's with his first place finish in the 3000 meter race.

Coach Ray Treacy noted that both indoor track teams need to have exceptional meets, especially with the NCAA's just around the corner. "The upcoming meets are extremely important, especially if we are going to qualify for more events in the NCAA's," Coach Treacy exclaimed.

# Mixed Results

## Friars Beat Brown Split With UMass

Keith Christensen '96

Sports Writer

The college hockey season is roughly two-thirds of the way done and the question still remains: Just how good are these guys? There were few clear answers in the three games the Friars, now 9-12-3 (4-7-3 in H.E.), have played since break. PC thoroughly outplayed then 10th ranked Brown last Tuesday to capture the Mayor's Cup, 6-3, only to return home and turn in a disappointing performance against an overmatched UMass-Amherst team, falling 7-3. The painfully inconsistent Friars bounced back to split the weekend set with a 5-2 road win Sunday. "Being consistent for sixty minutes has been one of our themes, because we haven't been. Lack of consistency has

hurt us [in certain games]," Coach Paul Pooley said candidly. Are the Friars as good as the team that beat Northeastern, 10-3 (see p. 19 for results of games during break) or as bad as the team that lost 9-2 to Boston University two weeks ago? More importantly, will the Friars consistently play well enough in their last ten games, all of them against conference opponents, to move up in Hockey East and avoid a first round playoff meeting with BU or Maine?

The Brown game did not begin well for PC. The Bears jumped out to an early 2-0 lead, but would not score again for nearly forty minutes, by which time PC had run off five unanswered goals. Captain Brady Kramer kicked off the spree at 15:00 of the first when he con-

good team, play sixty minutes of hockey. We really took over," commented Coach Pooley.

The euphoria of Tuesday's win evaporated quickly on Friday night. In fact, it took just 1:45 for the Minutemen to score twice, and UMass had beaten Bob Bell four times before David Green knocked in the rebound of a Quenneville shot 5:53 into the 2nd. Two UMass goals (and a Bob Bell exit) later, LaVarre's shot went in off the post for a power play goal. Dillabough's slap shot with seven seconds left in the period made it 6-3 UMass after two. An empty net goal in the game's last minute ended the 7-3 affair. The Friars also lost Chad Quenneville for Sunday's game when he received a game disqualification for throwing a punch. Coach Pooley understood the center's action. "He's a little frustrated. Teams have been taking liberties with him. He was cross-checked twice [by the player he punched] and he knocked him down with one punch." The incident was a rare departure for the extremely disciplined Friars.

Sunday's much needed win was keyed by Brannare and Dennis. Brannare scored PC's first two goals, both of them unassisted, and Dennis shut the Minutemen out for the first 51.28 in a 26 save effort. With the Friars already leading 1-0, Dennis stopped two consecutive UMass breakaways. After Brannare's second score, LaVarre kept his scoring streak alive (now 12 games) when he finished a beautiful feed from Hulbig at 9:03 of the 2nd. PC's second power play goal, it made it 3-0 and ended up being the game winner, LaVarre's second in three games. Their lead reduced to 3-1 in the third, the Friars went up 4-1 when Trevor Hanson stole the puck and drilled a shot home at 8:55. UMass made it 4-2, but Dennis Burke made it 5-2 with 2:57 to go when he outworked three UMass players behind the net and flipped a shot in off the goalie's skate for a short-handed tally. Coach Pooley was pleased with the outcome: "We did what we had to do and pulled together as a hockey club."

The victory over UMass lifted PC to 7th in HE, two points ahead of this weekend's opponent, BC. The Friars are only four points behind Merrimack, adding importance to this weekend's series with BC. With characteristic honesty, Pooley called the upcoming weekend "Huge. We want to step up to the next level, and to do that, we need to win both games."



Sophomore Travis Dillabough, who has nine points in his last eleven games, has, "really picked his game and leadership up. He is getting rewarded for his defense," according to Coach Pooley.

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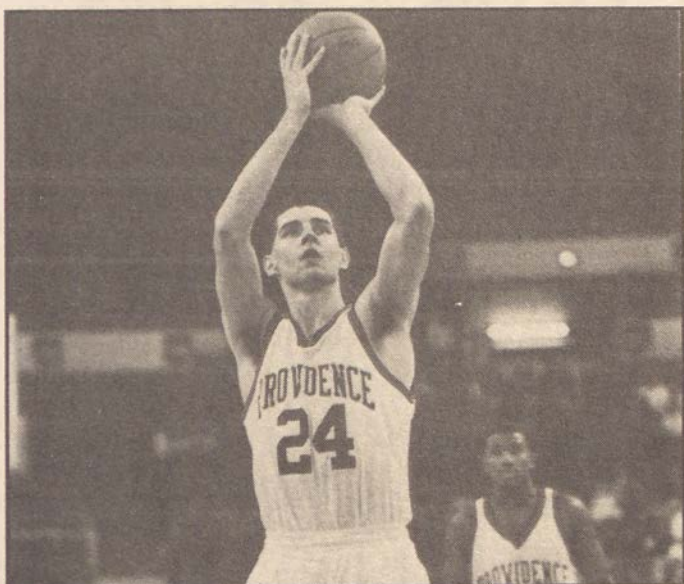
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verted a beautiful Chad Quenneville feed into PC's first goal. Stefan Brannare netted the rebound of a Mike Mader shot less than three minutes later for a power play goal to knot the game. Kramer also assisted on the play. Justin Gould scored five minutes into the second period to give PC the lead for good. Travis Dillabough had dug the puck out of the corner to set up Gould. Jon LaVarre registered what would prove to be the game winner at 16:34 of the 2nd when he beat his defender and unloaded from the left face-off circle. Joe Hulbig and George Breen picked up the assists. Hulbig demonstrated just how dominating a player he is becoming 9:44 into the third when he bulled over two Bears before ripping a blast from the left face-off circle to make it 5-2. After Brown closed to 5-3, LaVarre answered right back. Jay Kenney flipped a perfect lead pass to the streaking LaVarre, who had out-raced the defense, and the senior found the goalie's five-hole to pick up his second goal of the night. "It showed we could play with a



# Blowout!



Once forgotten Maciej Zielinski has sparkled in the Friars last two games.

**Justin Macione '95**  
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*Sports Editor*  
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Blow outs tend to be ugly affairs, and last night's men's basketball game between the Friars and Boston College was no exception. Neither team shot well in Providence's turnover-filled 70-43. The victory snapped PC's 3 game losing streak and improved their record to 3-5 in Big East

play (11-5 overall). Austin Croshere scored 18 points and Maciej Zielinski had 14, both season highs, to lead the team to its third straight, and sixth in seven tries over the Eagles, who are 0-8 in the Big East. Eric Williams chipped in 12 for the black & white, giving him 16 straight games in double figures. Mickey Curley led the losers with 10 points.

Stifling defensive play helped the Friars estab-

lish a comfortable early lead early. Leading 9-6, PC went on a 15-2 run, keyed by Croshere. The 6'9 sophomore, a surprise starter at small forward, scored the last eight points in the run, including a dunk and a three pointer. BC did not hit a single field goal during the streak, which lasted 10:07. Danya Abrams, BC's second leading scorer, put in six of the Eagles' next eleven as the Eagles closed to within 12, going into half-time. Freshman Jason Evans and Williams punctuated PC's first half dominance with authoritative dunks just before the intermission.

After the break, BC inched to within 8 points and had possession when a loose ball landed out of bounds off of Abrams. Subsequently, the power forward bumped Croshere and was whistled for a technical foul. The Friar forward responded by smoothly knocking down both free throws and then drilling his third three pointer of the game, immediately after the charity shots, giving PC a 58-25 lead. "(After the technical) We knew we had to go down and build on our lead", commented Croshere, who hit five of nine shots from the field, including 3-5 from beyond the arc, and 5-6 from the line. He also nabbed five boards. Michael Brown stole the ensuing inbounds pass and converted it into an easy lay-up. Brown and Zielinski nailed back-to-back threes as the Eagles and Friars

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# Best Kept Secret

**Corey McGann '98**

*Sports Writer*

The women's swim team notched win number seven of the 1994-95 season at the expense of Seton Hall on Saturday, January 21. With only one loss this season, to a tough Connecticut Lady Huskyteam, the swimmers are the campus' best kept secret. Paced by a balanced attack led by senior captains Kelly Clemente, Michele DeBari, and Michele Tamburo, the Friars trounced the 'Pirates, 137 to 102.

Providence received a great boost from its two relay teams: the 200 Medley team of DeBari, Stacy Sweetser '97, Jessica Lee '96, and Kierstin Newell '98; and the 200 Freestyle team of Sweetser, Kathleen Kelly '98, DeBari, and Tamburo. They logged times of 1:54.20 and 1:44.31, respectively.

Other first place finishes snagged by the Friars were Tamburo in the 1000 Freestyle (10:53.68) and the 500 Freestyle (5:20.12), Newell in the 50 Freestyle (25.27), and DeBari in the 200 Backstroke (2:11.27). Also scoring herself a first place finish was Michelle McWeeney '96 in the 200 Breaststroke with a time of 2:31.13.

Not to be outdone by the women, the men also defeated the Pirates to raise their record to four and four. Providence, which won by a tally of 114 to 87, was aided by the extreme depth of their team and a lack of depth by Seton Hall. Though the Pirates took first place in seven of the eleven events, PC consistently took second and third in all of the events. While all the swimmers were excellent, Paul Nathe '96 and captain Jeff Longo '95

stood out above the rest, garnering first place finishes in the 100 Freestyle (48.24) and the 200 Breaststroke (2:13.70).

The wins were extremely beneficial to both teams, allowing them to get a good jump on the home stretch of the season. Over break Providence went up against Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts. The women escaped with a 130 to 112 victory, while the men were not as lucky, losing 131 to 100. The swimmers also participated in the Rhode Island Invitational at Kingston, R.I. against the University of Massachusetts, the University of Rhode Island, and the University of Maine (see box on page 19).

The next meet for the swim teams will be against an extremely tough Syracuse team who will visit the Taylor Natatorium on Saturday, January 28. The women will aim to tally their eighth win of the season while the men are hoping to upset the strong and deep Orangemen. Being in their familiar surroundings should give the Friars and Lady Friars an added boost.



# Sigh Of Relief

## Women's Hoops Stop Losing Streak With a 92-61 Win Over BC

**Pieter J. Ketelaar '97**

*Sports Writer*

It's over!

The Providence College women's basketball team snapped their nine game losing streak Wednesday night with a resounding 92-61 win over Boston College at home for their second Big East win of the season and their sixth win overall.

Lady Friars Head Coach Bob Foley called the 31 point thrashing a "sigh of relief. It's been a long time coming. We got the lead and we kept coming at 'em."

Kerri Chatten paced the Lady Friars with 27 points and Sarah Miller tossed in 17 of her own. Coach Foley called Miller the "key" to the game because she led the 16-4 run in the second half. The game was an all-out team effort as the Lady Friars got key scores from Collette Cavallo and Lori Penrod down the stretch. In the win they upped their record to 6-14.

Bitten by the injury bug numerous times this season, the Lady Friars are slowly but surely regaining their health. Guard Mandy Saunders, who tore her anterior crucial ligament (ACL), underwent surgery in late December and will be back for next season. Guard Jen Davis will be out for at least another four weeks with a stress fracture in her foot. Nadine

Malcom broke her wrist in the first half of the UNC-Greensboro game and will require an additional three to four weeks rest before a return to Coach Foley's lineup.

Back in the mix are guard Heide Moyano, coming off a stint on the bench with an aggravated Achilles tendon, and Julie Wheeler, who was out with a sore left foot.

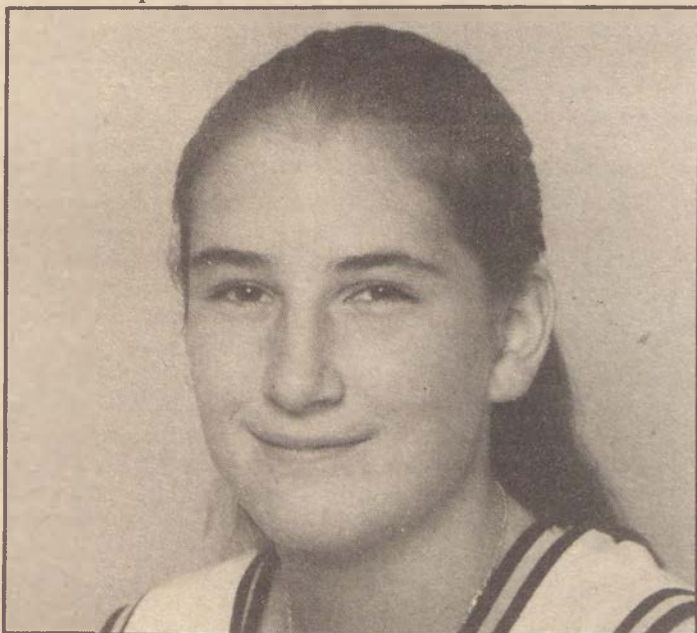
The Lady Friars had lost nine straight leading up to Wednesday's game with BC. They are a team that seemingly cannot get a break, and when they do it's a wrist as in Nadine Malcom's case.

The women have faced four top 25 teams to date

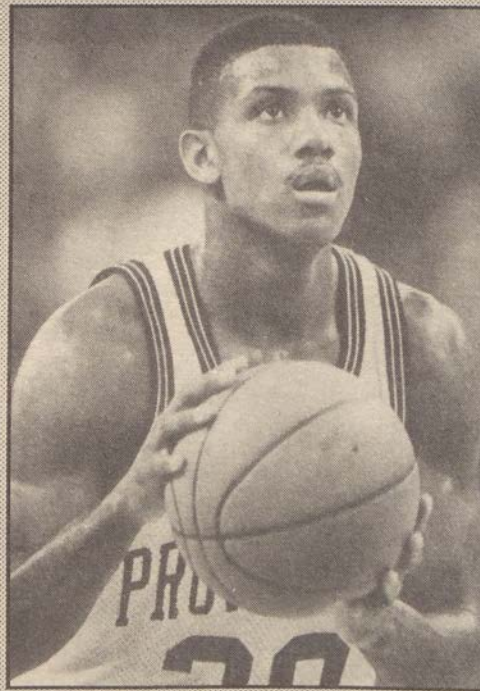
(Penn State, Stanford, Seton Hall, and Connecticut.) With the number of injuries combined with a total lack of luck, it's no wonder they've been unable to compete with such top 25 powerhouses.

"We've had bad luck with injuries so we have been forced to start less experienced players in their place," said Coach Foley, "We've come close losing by two points at both St. John's and Miami. Miami was a particularly heartbreaking loss given what we've already been through this season. It is going to eventually pay off. We're starting three freshmen now and the

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**Kerri Chatten '98**



Junior, Michael Brown has stepped up and scored 26 points in the last two games.