New chapel opens in Davis

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The new apartments opened back in September, but the finishing touches are just now being completed. One improvement is the addition of the new St. Martin de Porres chapel in the basement of Davis Hall. St. Martin de Porres is the patron saint of social justice.

"We wanted to have a chapel on campus so that the students living there would have a place close to home to come and pray, relax and reflect," said Father Joseph Barranger, Chaplain of the College. The new chapel comfortably holds about 30, however, there is room in the comfortable corners to sit and pray. The chapel is very informal, a place where students can go to kick off their shoes, in comparison to the formality of Aquinas, Guzman, or the Priory.

While no weekly Masses will be held here, the chapel is ideal for small group Masses of hall Masses. "This chapel is for the entire PC community, not just those living in Davis, or even the east side," commented Fr. Barranger.

The chapel is open and functioning, however it is not quite completed. There are still a few finishing touches that are being worked on. The chapel will have a formal opening and dedication ceremony on Sunday, April 23 at 1:00 p.m. The ceremony will begin with a dramatic presentation put on by students about the life of St. Martin de Porres. After the Mass, which will be celebrated in the courtyard of the apartments, the new chapel will be blessed and dedicated. The celebration will end with a big cookout and a DJ.

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by Mike Carriers

PC TV?

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News Writer

An average Providence College student comes home and watches TV. Sounds simple enough, right? Actually, the whole cable TV system at PC is one that complexity is taken for granted quite often. Lately, however, there have been many questions from students regarding the rationale behind what channels we receive, why we receive them, and what changes are in store for the future. In response to this recent increase in student interest, The Cowl discussed the whole process with Mr. Roger Desautels, Director of Academic Media Services, to try and get some answers.

Desautels explained that Providence College decided to install cable in January 1991. At this time, cable was installed in the apartment complex only (Cunningham, D'Trufia, Mal Brown). In order to determine exactly what stations to receive, Fr. Tortoici, former Director of Residence Life, and the students of the apartments formed a Campus Cabling Committee. It was then the students chose the programming we receive today, with one exception. After a student poll, it was decided that the Weather Channel and the Learning Channel would be replaced by the Disney Channel and Nickledeon.

The programming consists of 65 cable channels of which the College uses 55. Students are able to choose the programming for 18 channels out of the 30 in the "Entertainment Mix". The other channels are determined by PC student Gerth Trask '95 and Kate Griffiths '95 also spoke at the press conference about the difficulties of financing their education.

"I wholeheartedly support the Student Loan Affordability Act of 1995. Under Congressman Kennedy's plan I would save about $7,000. As it is now, I will graduate exactly two months from today and already be in debt $35,000," commented Trask.

Griffiths agreed by stating, "This plan is great for us when we graduate. Congressman Kennedy's plan makes a significant difference for our future, as well as future generations of college students."

Griffiths also announced he is an original co-sponsor of legislation introduced by Congresswoman Anna Eshoo (CA) to establish a "Dream Act" that would not only benefit the students struggling with the college costs but would also benefit the parents. Higher Education Accommodation Program (HEAP) would allow each family to contribute $5,000 per year with a maximum contribution of up to $15,000 in any year for the purpose of saving for all post secondary education costs.

Graduation honors policy changed

Theresa Edo '96

News Editor

Recently, a school policy regarding graduation honors has been called into question. There is confusion among members of the senior class as to what time period the distinctions of cum laude, magna cum laude, and summa cum laude are based.

A PC student would assume that the awards, respectively equivalent to the grade point averages of 3.275, 3.500, and 3.850, are granted by taking a senior's eight semesters' averages into account. Actually, this final distinction is correctly recorded on one's transcript. Any awards recognized during the actual commencement ceremony and the senior awards banquet are calculated using only one's first seven semesters.

One member of the Class of '95, Tricia O'Hare, met with the Academic Appeals Board on Wednesday to appeal the policy for the entire senior class. O'Hare argued that the graduation honors policy is not clearly written in the Bulletin of Providence College and that the administration did not implement the seven semester policy was made without advance notice to seniors. The committee consisted of two students, two faculty members, and two presidential appointees, unanimously voted to recommend that President Philip A. Smith, O.P., approve the appeal.

"I am certainly not the only graduating senior who is affected by this change, even though I am the only one to come forward with a formal complaint," said O'Hare. "A student could be just shy of receiving an award and not have the final semester available to raise his or her average, or, oppositely, do well for three and a half years and slack in their studies the final semester.

The confusion arose at the beginning of the semester when mailbox stuffers were put in senior's mailboxes. The memo was issued under Fr. McGonigle and Fr. Bond and stated that any awards at this year's graduation ceremony will be issued "solely on computation of seven semesters," O'Hare took this to mean that regardless of any past practices, this was a change which called for notification to the present seniors.

The 1994 - 1995 edition of the Bulletin of Providence College, a text which records the college's policies and course descriptions, states, "Graduation honors are computed on the students eight (8) semester grades. The award will be added to the student's transcript after commencement." It does not specifically refer to any occurrence between ceremonial and recorded honors, therefore leaving misunderstanding as a possibility.

"This is recognition in front of your peers, your faculty, your educators, and your friends and family," continued O'Hare. "To me the 'final justice' is in front of these people and in front of the college to whom I have paid eight semesters of tuition. If students do not check these policies there will be no way to determine if they are truly just and fair for all."
Seniors willing to give

Over the past four years, Providence College has provided our class with various opportunities to enhance our spirits, expand our minds, and strengthen our bodies. These opportunities have helped shape our college experiences. From Western Civ to J and R Conference, Providence College has developed programs which have enriched our lives. We will all leave PC with unique and memorable experiences. However, they all have one thing in common: they begin at Providence College. The Senior Giving Program gives each of us an opportunity to experience PC from a different perspective: as Alumni.

We have all shown that we have the ability and willingness to give. From our participation in Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Pastoral Council, and Urban Action, to helping a friend with a problem, we have all contributed a piece of ourselves to others.

The Senior Giving Program will enable us to continue this tradition of helping others. By contributing to the Senior Class Giving Program, we will be invested in special events, offering an opportunity to get together with old friends and to network with new ones. Your contribution of $20 a year starting in 1996 will be used to fund financial aid programs that will enable others to experience Providence College like we have.

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Princeton Review: A new era?

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America's leading test preparation company, Kaplan Educational Centers has ordered that The Princeton Review no longer claim that they can improve SAT scores. Over the past decade, The Princeton Review has nationally advertised their claim by means of books, videotapes, and preparation courses. In addition to the claims of their high SAT scores, they have also claimed to improve scores for the LSAT, GMAT, GRE, and GMAT exams.

Kaplan President and CEO Jonathan Grayer emphasizes that this supports what students have known for a long time—the fact that The Princeton Review has been giving students false information for many years. Grayer believes in a strict code of honesty in the industry of test preparation, and this honesty will now allow students to make their own decisions based on truthful information. The Review Panel, consisting of Grayer, emphasized that The Princeton Review cannot make any more claims that they can boost individual SAT scores by an average of 110-160 points. This is because these claims were based on studies that were unreliable and inaccurate. While they cannot claim that they raise SAT scores by upwards of one hundred points, they can still claim that they do raise LSAT, GMAT, MCAT, and GRE scores by a certain amount. The panel ruled that lower numbers must be used for claiming improvement on graduate study exams. However, after March 1, 1996, even the reduced claims will not be able to be used because of low response rates in graduate school studies.

The panel also conducted a nationwide review of the national SAT study, which they found to be accurate. The study, designed, executed, and tabulated by Price Waterhouse, showed that SAT scores to improved by an average of 92 points per student. An improvement of 115 points is estimated for those who attend 90% of the classes and take practice tests. Three hours of weekly home work improved a student's average by 128 points. Kaplan Educational Centers will continue to make these claims, only with the appropriate explanations and conditions next to each.

Kaplan is one of the largest educational centers in the world and offers courses, books, videos, on-line services, and digital products for test preparation. Throughout the US and beyond, Kaplan prepares 50,000 students annually within 160 centers and classroom sites for college and graduate school exams, as well as professional licensing and language exams.

Don’t forget to set your clocks one hour ahead on Sunday, April 22!!!

Cable at PC

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12 channels are free local channels. Providence College has a total of three satellites worth of channels. The three satellites are GE SATCOM C4, GE SATCOM C3, and Hughes Galaxy 5. From Hughes Galaxy 5 and GE SATCOM C4, the school receives 16 out of the 17 channels. From GE SATCOM C3, however the school receives just two channels, NESN and CNN/House.

Throughout the campus there are a total of 1,476 TV outlets or drops. Not all of these drops are for students, however. It is on the first floor drop for Residence Life, 239 for academic classrooms, 59 for student services, 59 for administrative use, and another 29 for Dominican use. Since the students only make up 73% of the total number of drops on campus, it is not completely up to the discretion of the students as to which channels the campus receives.

According to Mr. DeMott, "The students should have a say in the matter, (the problem is that) there is no organization that puts any order into it." The question then naturally is "What can students do about voicing their opinions on the whole cable process?" Some possible suggestions to Mr. DeMott have been made for the students to go directly to Student Government to form survey and discuss Residence Life.

With 55 channels out of the possible 65 channels in use, there are 10 channels available. Some possible suggestions for coming years include another Student Services Information Channel, two Religious Channels, some Boston based stations of NBC, CBS, or ABC or a student run station.

Fond farewell to Russell

Judith Colonna '95

News Writer

For the past three and a half years, Providence College has been fortunate enough to have a wonderful woman working for them, and with them, to help organize its multicultural center. Unfortunately, however, the time has come to say good-bye to the valuable employee. Angela Russell, the former secretary to Balfour, PC's Multicultural Center, has moved on her career.

As of Monday, March 27, Russell has been working as the secretary to President of the Academic Affairs Office. Though she wasn’t anxious to leave her students of the Balfour Center, Russell comments that she has “Done the best she could do at PC, and it’s now time to move on. I want the students to know it’s alright to move on and that everyone needs to.”

As taken of their appreciation, members of the center, faculty, and students held a going away party for Russell on March 24, her last day at PC.

The turnout, to no one’s surprise, was quite a large number much appreciated by the non-expecting Russell. As a final remark, she stated that she was “pleased working with the PC family” and she “thanks [them] for the wonderful experience.” And even though Russell has moved on to another college, she will continue to support Balfour in any way she can and encourages everyone else to do so as well.

Good Luck, Angela Russell! Everyone at PC will miss you!
**Cultural History Society inducts new members**

Industrialist Philip Thespis has announced that the Providence classes of ‘95 and ‘96 and the Rhode Island classes of ’97 have been inducted into the industrial honor society of the Providence College. The new members include students from various fields of study and are recognized for their achievements and contributions to the college community.

**Wulf addresses issues of women's studies**

Judith Colonna ’95

News Writer

Wulf addresses issues of women's studies in Providence College. She discusses the need for inclusivity and representation in academic settings and provides her perspective on how women are currently being treated and valued within the academic community. She emphasizes the importance of recognizing and valuing the contributions of women in all fields.

**Brian Hylander ’95**

News Writer

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**Christmas in April**

On Saturday, April 29, 1995, the Second Annual Christmas in April event will galvanize the efforts of over 200 volunteers from 35 businesses and four colleges and universities in an intensive one-day blitz to rehabilitate 18 Providence residences and beautify 4 neighborhoods. Volunteers will be donating a variety of work including installing new flooring, painting, wall repair, painting, electrical systems, building new stairs and decks, roof repairing, landscaping, and painting.

**History Equinox**

Ethan’s 10th birthday was celebrated with the inducting of the new Providence College students into the History Equinox. The event was attended by students, faculty, and alumni.

**Judith Colonna ’95**

News Writer

For the first time in Providence College history, a set number of days has been designated as “Women’s Honoring Days” on campus. On Friday, March 24, one particular PC alum, Sharon A. Wulf, Ph.D., class of ’75, helped the community acknowledge the years of women at Providence.

The evening, co-sponsored by alumni and students, opened with a special prayer, followed by a special dedication to the achievements of women in all fields. The evening concluded with a special address by Dr. Wulf, who spoke about the importance of recognizing and valuing the contributions of women in all fields.

**New members of the National Honor Society promise to share "the responsibility to the past."**

by Corey Capoor

New members of the National Honor Society promise to share "the responsibility to the past." This is a significant step in the ongoing effort to promote education and encourage excellence among students. The National Honor Society is a prestigious organization that recognizes and celebrates the achievements of students who have excelled academically and contributed to their communities.

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The Outside World

Jamie Roy '95
News Writer

Bank Merger to Create World's Largest Bank

The planned merger of the Mitsubishi Bank and the Bank of Tokyo will create a huge fiscal entity. With total assets of more than $819 billion, this bank will dwarf any bank in the world. For comparison, the largest bank outside Japan has only $345 billion in assets. If the proposed merger takes place, the new bank would be called the Tokyo Mitsubishi Bank. Analysts suggest that the merger will not affect banking or markets outside Japan. The world is no stranger to Japanese dominance in world banking. However, their influence as compared to large European and American banks is relatively small, despite their size. The merger may spark other bank unisons to remain competitive. The strategic alliance of such mergers will eventually help the growing global economy.

New Measure to Give Congress Veto Power

Wednesday, members of the Senate will vote on a new proposed measure. This measure will allow Congress to have the power of the veto over major regulations made by agencies. This new rule will expand the role of Congress, into monitoring and regulating Federal agencies. This added role of Congress will create new problems. The debate over the details of regulations can tie them up for weeks. However, this new measure is a reasonable alternative to the yearlong freeze on new regulations passed by Congress even with Clinton's threat of a veto. The Senate, divided about this issue, has reached a bipartisan agreement on the proposal and expanded role of Congress. As debate continues, the new role of Congress hangs in the balance, as well as agencies autonomy.

President Aristide of Haiti Requests UN Help

Aristide called for the UN to step up efforts to disarm so-called "opponents of democracy." This plea follows the planned U.S. withdrawal from Haiti. The withdrawal places security responsibility which are the UN. Aristide feels confident of the progress and stability of his country, with are conducive to democracy. Other political factions are working to disturb the democratic process and promote their view on brand of authoritarianism. The call for the UN to take an active role in dealing with the remaining paramilitary factions of the last regime will plunge the UN into a new role, apart from peacekeeper.

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EDITORIALS

March 30, 1995

With Honors?

Many seniors are disgusted over the new procedure that graduation honors at the Awards Ceremony and Commencement Exercises will be based on seven rather than eight semesters. They are justifiedly miffed. The administration of Providence College states, "Graduation honors are computed on the student's eight (8) semesters. The final appropriateness of awards will be added to the student's transcript after commencement." (p. 14). This statement is too ambiguous, and therefore unjust. The administration has a duty to present clear and concise policies to the student body, particularly in the official academic sourcebook. Since this statement is confusing, it is cruel for the college to suddenly take five extra years of making the extra effort to award appropriate honors at academic graduation ceremonies. This new policy to award honors based on only seven semesters affects seniors who are working hard to attain cum laude or higher honors during the spring semester.

Justice for this year's policy is logistical and insincere. Since final exams end Tuesday and professors have up to 72 hours to grade, it is argued that there is not enough time to compute GPA's, alter grades, and issue honor cords in time for Friday and Sunday ceremonies. The administration believes that final grades of other students. It is a deserved and fitting conclusion to four years of academic accomplishment, to four years of family support and pride, and to eight, not seven, semesters of paid bills. Excluding the spring semester in computations may cause students on the borderline to stop trying for an unusually high GPA this semester. Students achieving honors after seven semesters may slack-off, knowing that they will be recognized regardless of what eventually shows on their transcript. While these students may be insignificant to many, they are a potent motivator to students who strive for their grade and whose families value them.

Time constraints are not a valid excuse for this new policy. Perhaps if this were a large school with a graduating class of thousands, the situation would be different. Yet PC will be graduating approximately 850 students, of which a small minority receives these honors. To make people happy, perhaps students with overall (7 semesters) GPA's of 3.2 or better should be identified by the Dean's office so that professors can compute and submit those grades earlier than the 72 hour deadline. This will not create a formidable task for professors, since most will be administering exams before Tuesday anyway.

Since the Commencement program is sent to the printer early, an insert could be produced quickly at the copy center to recognize those students whose status changed with their spring semester grades. Expecting the grades of students affected by this policy seems to be a reasonable request. If students are willing to work hard for their entire last semester, surely the school can work a few extra hours. We hope that this situation will be remedied soon.

Christopher Roche '96
Editorial Writer

Earlier this year, in a Chicago South Side neighborhood, members of the Gangsters Disciples were charged with throwing a Molotov cocktail through a three-story window and killing him. This type of scenario has become commonplace in inner cities. However, what makes this case unique is that the person who was thrown out of the window was a five-year-old boy named Eric Morse. The two people who ejected him from the window were ten and eleven years old, respectively, and their names were not released due to their ages. What makes the crime even more heinous is the way in which killers carried out the crime. First they lured the five-year-old into his home, a ten-year-old brother Derek-Lennon to the apartment. They then dangled him out the window while his brother tried to fight the larger, older boys. Leonard Roth, the father of the five-year-old brother Derek-Lennon, was killed because he refused to steal candy for the older boys.

Inner city violence is always on the news, but this case as brutal and diabolical as this one makes the news it puts it in a different light. Everyone knows the root causes of the problem, the boys have no fathers. They are victims of poverty, drugs and racism. The gangs corrupt them in their formative years when they do not know any better. However, spewing forth rhetoric about these roots is not doing any good. Eric Morse, and thousands like him are dead. The people who killed him are known "problem children" who had been arrested on several charges, several times, but the charges were always dropped due to their young age. This is where the root causes should be put aside, and a huge band-aid be applied. The wound must be sewn up before it can begin to heal. This is where massively effective law enforcement comes in.

Our most brutal inner city citizens have more moral power than our police. The gangs are equipped with automatic weapons, explosives and even grenade launchers. How soon will it be until a gang member takes down Compton Ave.? Will people then get the message? Our police need more money for weapons and training in order to combat the gangs. If a gang has one grenade launcher then the police should have ten. Furthermore, when the police are called, they often do not respond. Even if they do respond, they are either evaded, or their arrests do not do any good. For example, if they arrest ten drug dealers there are ten more waiting in their place.

The legal system is also too lenient on the core membership of the gangs. For example, if a child is "mature" enough to steal, deal drugs or kill then he is mature enough to feel the full brunt of the law. In short, the book should be thrown at him every time. Once enough children are locked up, they will realize that their actions have consequences. They will realize that they cannot defeat the system. The system must rise up and defeat them every time. If the police are not ready to win this war, then they should work, in conjunction with the State Police, the FBI, the National Guard and whatever else it takes to win our cities back.

In terms of our politicians solving the problem, the outlook is bleak. With the exception of a few, our major cities are getting worse instead of better. Washington D.C. for example, is so bankrupt that it cannot afford to make license plates much less combat gangs, plus its mayor is a convicted felon himself. Los Angeles still conveys the image that gang violence is somehow glorious, and those gangs have spread to cities like Phoenix, AZ and throughout the Midwest including Des Moines, Iowa. The ineptitude of the LAPD was brought to national attention during the Rodney King fiasco, and its poor reputation is reinforced every day with the O.J. Simpson trial, so do not count on them for stopping the violence. The fact is that politicians do not need the inner city vote to win elections any more. In addition to poor voter turnout in those areas, the suburbs have become populated enough to carry a politician over the top. For example in New Jersey Governor Whitman lost all three of the state's major cities, Trenton, Camden and Newark, but she still won the election. So why should a politician get involved in sensitive inner city issues such as gang violence when he or she could just concentrate on winning the suburbs? For a governor or senator it could be political suicide to advocate locking up children or dispatching the National Guard into the Idaho B. Wells housing project of Chicago. Even if the plan works, and it benefits the people greatly, the politician has still gained nothing politically. This is why politicians will continue to take the low road on gang violence.

Every day a child is lost to a gang. Every day an innocent person is killed by a gang. Every day a teenager drops out of school for fear of gangs. Gangs are corrupting America's children, poisoning America's schools and neighborhoods, and gangs are creating another generation of lost youths. They are not in some far off place like the Bronx or South Central; they are right here. Mount Pleasant High School is less than a mile from the lush verdure of Slavin Lawn, and it is infested with gangs. Ice-T says, "We've movin' right next door." And our police and politicians are going to do nothing about it.
No more favors for Reggie

Robert Mendes '95

Editorial Writer

Once again, Boston has become the center of attention in the sports world. Unfortunately, not because of anything other Celts' championship or even a heart-breaking Red Sox defeat. This time it is because of the revelations and allegations surrounding the death of Reggie Lewis.

Over the last few weeks, it was reported that the original explanation of Lewis' death was almost medically impossible. Furthermore, the most credible explanation of Reggie's heart condition is that it was caused by cocaine use. These are the opinions of all the doctors who examined Reggie both before and after his death.

Shortly after the story broke, there was considerable independent confirmation that both the police and the clinics had used drugs. Northeastern University revealed that Reggie failed to show up for a student athlete there in the mid-'80s. A friend of Reggie's also disclosed that he was a cocaine user with Reggie several times, including one night just days before Reggie collapsed on the court during a playoff game.

When the allegations first surfaced, the Celtics threatened a $100 million lawsuit. They could not express enough indignation that the media would make such allegations against a beloved player. Their reaction has been muted in light of the more recent revelations.

The Celtics, and the media for that matter, have missed the point of the inquiry. This is not an attempt to destroy the good name of Reggie Lewis. They are on a mission to assassinate his character. Reggie Lewis was a good man who should have been a star. His reaction has been muted in light of the more recent revelations.

At this point, the NBA failed Reggie. The league's drug policy is very tough on rook- ies, but it is laughable for veter- ans. In fact, it is almost impos- sible for a professional player to be caught using drugs, unless it is under the nose of Reg- gie Trotter. The policy is structured in this way because the league does not want to crack down on its marquee players, the ones people pay big bucks to see. The league may lose money and players' reputations and careers may be hurt. So the league was doing Reggie a favor by looking the other way. Right?

I'm sure the Celtics could have spotted a drug problem if they wanted to. Maybe they did not want to. It is not easy to keep an eye on one and help the abuser. They have had experience losing a player and they would not want to lose another. But that would have meant that Reggie would have been caught by the NBA drug policy. His career may have been tarnished with silly drug charges; he would have lost playing time and been fined. Besides, casual drug use doesn't really help anyone. So the Celtics were doing Reggie a favor by looking the other way. Right?

Sadly, Reggie's wife failed him when they could have stood to- gether in front of the drug explanation at the first hospital he was checked into. It was probably just too painful to deal with drug abuse in the family. Besides, his pub- lic image does not benefit from a stay in drug rehab. Instead, she wanted to keep everything quiet and shop around for a doc- tor who could come up with a different explanation that did not involve cocaine, no matter how implausible it may be. So Donna Harris-Lewis was doing Reggie a favor by looking the other way.

Here come the lambs to the slaughter

Mike Sullivan '97

Editorial Writer

As if they were little kids set loose in a candy store, prominent Republicans from across the country are scrambling to announce their plans to seek their party's 1996 presidential nomination. Encouraged by their party's enormous gains in the 1994 elections and a sitting Democratic presidential candidate who appears vulnerable, Republicans are jockeying for position. For the White House that they lost two years ago. It is a 30-week marathon in which each candidate, with his or her unique selling proposition and targeting of issues, will test his or her appeal in a country that is divided on a number of issues.

The leading candidate is Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole of Kansas, who has been the party's standard bearer for the past year. According to all the polls he is the favored man but is not seen as a lock. Although a moderate-conser- vative, Dole has recently hard- lined to more conservative positions on issues like gun-control and affirmative- action to aid his quest for the presidential nomination.

At the same time he has not ruled out choosing a pro-choice candidate even though the radi- cal Christian Coalition has not endorsement. That includes a pro-choice can- didate to oppose the right of Dole you find the ultra-conservative Phil Gramm who has made a name for himself by condemning any government run institution or any type of taxpay- er money. This is rather ironic when you consider the fact that Gramm was in a government run hospital, financed his medical care by as much money as he could.

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Unseating Clinton may be tough for Republicans

college education through a government program, and made his way through grad school with grants from the Defense Department. At anything, Gramm is the perfect example of wasted tax money. This is another example of the issue on the table, if the refugees to lis- ten to another viewpoint.

Although he has an opinion on a subject, it does not mean that he is closed-minded. It is an anti-drug group that people disagree with, without giving you any consideration at all as to what is the individual's saying. I have been bumped into many self-pro- claimed "open-minded" indi- viduals who only hear; they refuse to listen. Listening means taking in what is said and honestly thinking about it. Hearing is merely noticing sounds.

It is funny to see how things work out. People who are attacked so vehemently for having a sound conserva- tion on issues, usually are very happy, content, and successful as a result of it. The reason why is people attack them: spare grapes, who spend their time wallowing in slander, hyp- nosis, and half-truths, are not happy; nor will they ever hear happy until they take the plank out of their own eyes.

When it comes down to, those who "hate" others do their darndest to bring their "an-tagonisms" to the surface so through projection, projecting their own disgust and dis- approach them. They have created for themselves, the other is usually the happy one.

We all come from different backgrounds and differ- ent upbringings. We all start at different points in the search for truth. Some find the truth early in life; others find it later in life; some never. A person can only reach the truth if they do not want to be- ness the truth. Those who do not know the truth, attack those who do. In the end, it is very counter-produc- tive. Projection—what a great word.
Letters to the Editor

Political campaigning is necessary

To the Editor:

Clintons News co-anchor Connie Chung has the distinction of being a Providence College Commencement speaker. Since U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich said that Ms. Chung (wife of talk show host Mary Povich) "lied" to her mother, my interest and thirst for political knowledge has旗多了. I disagree with Editorial Writer Robert Mendes’ comments regarding political campaigning still being 20 months away. Do the politicians think we can stand listening to them that long? I think we can, as we have been listening to President Bill Clinton for 26 months. Immediately following the taking of the Presidential Oath of Office, most presidents in United States history proceeded to campaign for a second term. If Mr. Clinton wins re-election and wins his party’s nomination, then I think it is only fair to all presidential hopefuls that they be given the same opportunity to express themselves to the American electorate for the next 20 months as will President Clinton.

We should bear in mind that politics is essentially about dealing with people, of swing- ing them, whether as voters or legislators, around one’s way of thinking. So what that is a twenty month process?

In regard to the presidential primary, Mr. Mendes wrote, “The fact is that the people of New Hampshire make or break candidates before anybody else gets a chance to vote...” the office of the President of the United States is the most powerful political position in the world. Yet the people of New Hampshire get the first say about who holds office. Since Mr. Mendes is an excellent writer, it was probably an oversight on his part that he did not mention the “Iowa caucuses” in his commentary. Since the Kennedy name is familiar to all readers of The Cowl, I wish to remind Mr. Mendes of the Iowa Caucuses, held on Jan. 21, 1980, five weeks before the New Hampshire primary, Sen. Ed- ward Kennedy (D-MA) was hoping to come within ten points of President Jimmy Carter, whose victory he supporters had sensed coming for weeks. The 5,000+ Iowans voted at their caucuses, each party bringing about 10,000, and Iowa democrats chose the President over Kennedy by 59% to 31%.

In conclusion, I think we are fortunate to live in a democracy where we can monitor the 1996 Presidential Election. I have no intention of taking Mr. Mendes advice on “surviving the up- coming campaign.” Ignore it at least for the rest of 1995. He wrote, “Mr. Mendes advice is an insult to the American political system.”

Hassell P. Demos ’73

TOP TEN MOST CLUELESS PEOPLE ON EARTH

1. Rainforest chainsaw operator.
2. Millionaires in prison.
3. Drivers with turn signal perpetually on.
4. Las Vegas lounge acts.
5. Unregistered voters.
6. Frozen dinner enthusiasts.
7. Javelin catcher.
8. Someone in express checkout line with eleven items.
10. Drug users.

PARTNERSHIP FOR A DRUG-FREE AMERICA

March 30, 1995

COMMENTS

The Cowl

Letters to the Editor

Reinvigorating our judicial system

Jami Laniuten ’97

Editorial Writer

There may be a glimmer of hope for our judicial system af- ter all. The vice and inhuman Colin Ferguson was sentenced to nearly 200 years in prison last 25 years - for each of the lives he took and to a human life only worth 25 years? We all like to see jus- tice being done and in this case, justice ensures that the epitome of society’s worst will never again see the light of day. It is, however, his ridiculous trial lasted far too long, and wasted far too much of the court’s time.

The courts have done very little to make society better. It is a system where million-dol- lar lawyers hiding behind million-dollar words in million-dollar opening remarks ensure the "innocence" of America’s evil-doers. I dare not mention that obnoxious trial in Los An- geles, lest I give undue credit. However, if we look at how any trial is examined by the media, we will see that very little emphasis is given to the facts or the truth of the matter. Instead, it is the presentation of certain data and circum- ststantial evidence that get played up. The focus is given to which lawyer made the best impression, not the reliability of evidence. The focus is given to which lawyers come under the barrage of irrelevant, ridiculous and confusing opening remarks given by the cross-exam- iner. This is not justice, and this is not truth. It should not matter which lawyer wears the nicer suit, or how much the de- fendant is worth. It does not. What we need is to remove the unnecessary impediments within the courtroom, starting with the lawyers. Lawyers have turned a system of equity and justice done a backhand venture whereby exploitation of laws benefit the perpetrators of laws. Let’s be the 80% concen- trate on the facts of the case. Lawyers should be responsible merely for filing a document and calling witnesses. They should not be allowed to dominate the proceedings of the courtroom with long-winded remarks and personal comments hidden under the veil of words. Instead, they should be allowed to present their case as quickly as possible for calling a witness and allow the jury to verify the story with the witness themselves - without the lawyer’s questions. Lawyers may still object to certain material and evidence as being irrelevant, but that should be the limit. The witnesses will be put on center stage, not the lawyers.

While the lawyers’ role greatly diminished, the jury must play a larger role in the courtroom. They should be asked as many questions as they deem necessary. Lawyers may also be asked to write on a separate piece of paper the questions they should be given to the members of the jury. Just think of a case where right-forward ques- tions from average citizens are answered by the witness, no more obscure reasoning and antagonizing questions from the culturally elite lawyer? There would be no more obstruction of justice; everyone would have their say.

The role of the judge would essentially remain the same un- less the witness decided to lie. Then, of course, the judge would have to question the witnesses and the jury alike. The only differ- ence would be that the witness would be allowed to make any relevant comments to the case.

Some might even suggest getting the jury involved in the ques- tions, as long as the judge can still take over. I say that the aver- age jury would be able to strike a balance between being more readily and swiftly than any Harvard Law grad. Once they do so, a lawyer would not be able to hide the truth with care- fully worded questions.

The Constitution is con- spicuously vague in its descrip- tion of the Judicial Branch. This can be shown as the most complex and difficult branch of our government. If the American people are aware of the details of court- room rules, then we may have a true system of justice; when the proceedings were valued over law then truth would result. If the real judges in the case were valued over lawyers, then the jury’s role would not be greatly diminished. If all of the above were imple- mented, then we have more success stories like the trial of Colin Ferguson. Until then, we need to demand that the lawyer’s duty is to take the law into their own hands. Who will take their ad- vices as fact when you can’t get a trial date for a year and a half?
A Traveling Success

Rand Reifinger '97
A&E Writer

3500 (300 over Alumni Hall's capacity) tickets were sold for last Saturday's ram¬pant, and world-class, match, or chaotic assemblage of drunk and baked human beings—whatever you prefer to call it. Whatever its title be, Saturday's Blues Traveler concert turned out to be one of the most intense events of the year. Not only did it feature the mind-boggling sound of one of this decade's most popular live acts, but it put virtually every spectator in a wonderful state of danger, in which struggling, mauling, fighting, shoving, and vicious combating were all necessary for mere survival.

It was a pungently disturbing cold that swept effortlessly into our area last Saturday night. Its essence, along with the steam from thousands of fiddled guitars, continued to chill you to your toes even after Blues Traveler took the stage. After an exciting opening from the Son of Pay¬yaya, a sudden wave of hatred carried with它 somehow rolled forth into the hall, and ever since then, the bumping, bruising, and outright flashing did not cease until concert's highly-unwanted end.

The controversial garg (I use the term "controversial" due to their dedication of a song to Mike Tyson, in which the prelude of the tune ran, "He's free, he's Muslim, and he's pissed off!") then took the stage to a roar of gorgeous anxiety from the fans, as bodies were immedia¬tely mistaken for punching-dummies and beach balls. Blues Traveler sounded fresh and lively—frontman John Popper playing like a hornymuminbird on the

powerful yet soothing eruption of music created the vast jungle around the stage, featuring hun¬dreds of psyched-up, goggly-eyed, and somewhat violent pit dwellers. Caught in the middle of all this madness, I stood (ac¬tually, I really stood). Rather, I was thrown in a charm of true energy, an arena of fierce body¬tag.

Blues Traveler played to the most pit (as well as to the rest of the crowd) in a truly perfect fashion, resulting in fans escala¬ting into a fully-dedicated man¬ner of perfect excitement and sat¬isfaction. The band stranded away in their usual heart-pounding domain of class, stunning forth many attractive cover tunes as well as their own. Among the covers was Beck's "Loser," a song which owned the Billboard charts for a good chunk of last year. In addition, Blues Traveler played a new and honest version of the Kazey Rogers classic, "The Gambler." Though it is a country tune, the band molded it beautifully into their charismatic style, granting it the utmost justice, and at the same time, showing their wide range of musical respect.

After hours of pure exhilara¬tion, the show moved fluidly to the encore, which I was unfo¬rgettably unable to witness, due to my being forcibly re¬moved from the show by a horde of about six PC security guards. However, Mike Carrabine '96, a fellow Cowl staff member, informed me that the encore was attract¬ively long and crowd-pleasing, enclosing the show and overall experience in a proud veeer of success.

Blues Traveler performed at PC last Saturday night.

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UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD
Mark Czubinski ‘95
A&E Editor
Matthew Sweet
100% Fun
Spa Art Records
Grade: B

The album is aptly named as it is Sweet’s loveliest and most accessible album to date. There is no album-long concept here (as there was on Girlfriend and Altered Beast), rather, it’s just a straightforward collection of pop songs.

100% Fun is probably Sweet’s least produced album. It has a raw and un-polished feel to it that makes it sound like it was recorded in his own basement. It proves to be a sound that is well suited to Sweet’s pop formula.

The record opens with “Sick of Myself,” the first single from the album that is classic Matthew Sweet, rustic guitars, a pounding mid-tempo beat and Sweet’s layered vocals that create beautiful harmonies that are among the best in rock music. He follows the same formula on other songs such as “We’re The Same” (the probable record single), “Come To Love,” and “Get Oldey.” Although Sweet’s music is very listenable and radio friendly, the album suffers from an overall lack of diversity. He apparently doesn’t like to take too many chances and it shows in the predictability of his music.

There are some exceptions, most of which come from different instrumentation. “Lost My Mind” is a nice change from Sweet’s routine song structure. It is the darkest track on the album and features a mellotron which adds a haunting gloomy effect. Sweet uses a harpsichord on “Walk Out” and makes it sound like something Strawberry Alarm Clock would have recorded.

Overall, 100% Fun is a fine record that will satisfy Matthew Sweet fans and probably win over a few new ones. If you’re looking for classic, straightforward pop, 100% Fun is for you. If you’re looking for something a little more innovative, you may want to look elsewhere.

Meet Poole, the soon-to-be darlings of college radio.

The band clearly demonstrates a pure pop sensibility that takes some bands several years and many albums to achieve.

Poole’s swirling melodies aren’t the only thing that makes their music irresistible. Poole’s songwriting combined with their catchy hooks make for undeniably likable songs. Lyrics such as “Make a ring around the wilderness! And we’ll blast off later/Laze awhile, spaceman style/Hang out in my cater/ I’ve got ticket space for two/ Let’s go away for awhile” on “Supermerica” is just an example of the playfulness of Poole’s songwriting. With song titles such as “Strawberry Kool-Aid Smile” and “Fat

Cousin Cuisine

Michael Quine ‘95
A&E Editor
Cousin’s Restaurant...651 Admiral Street...311-4763 or 311-6661...Grade: A

It’s a kind of balance between simplicity, diversity, and quality that makes a restaurant worth anybody’s time. Cousin’s Restaurant on Admiral Street is one of the best eateries in the area for the expense-minded college student.

Now only four weeks old, Cousin’s Restaurant is under new management and has a great deal to offer. The menu, for example, is virtually infinite. In fact, it took me longer than five minutes to decide on a section. Cousin’s offers over twenty different subs, ranging from eggplant parmesan to potato and egg. They also have a variety of burgers and sandwiches, hot wieners (at only eighty-five cents each), fresh salads, homemade soups, and dinners. In addition, different specials are available.

I finally chose to sample Cousin’s chicken salad sub with a side of fries. My roommate, who accompanied me in hopes of a quick, cheap meal, decided to try a steak and cheese sandwich with onion rings. Within a few minutes of our ordering, our food was brought out to us. I couldn’t believe my eyes. My "small" chicken salad, while probably only six inches long, was stuffed to its capacity with chicken, lettuce, and tomato. The taste was also unexpected: it was fresh and delicious, as is the case with most of your meal.

Dining Out

I hand-picked the vegetables and prepared the chicken myself. My roommate’s steak and cheese was an onion sandwich. Within a few minutes of our ordering, our food was brought out to us. I couldn’t believe my eyes. My "small" chicken salad, while probably only six inches long, was stuffed to its capacity with chicken, lettuce, and tomato. The taste was also unexpected: it was fresh and delicious, as is the case with most of your meal.

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Best Screenplay Adaptation...Forrest Gump
Best Original Score.............The Lion King
Best Visual Effects............Forrest Gump
Honorary Oscar...Michaelangelo Antoninni
Gene Herschel Award......Quincy Jones
Irwin Folberg Award......Clint Eastwood

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Science Students Awarded Summer Fellowships

Dr. Kathleen Cornely

Eric Crespo '96 and Anja Wade '96 have been awarded Pfizer Undergraduate Summer Fellowships for the summer of 1995. Eric Crespo has been awarded a Fellowship in biology and Anja Wade has been awarded a Fellowship in chemistry.

Each year the Center for the Study of Women, a Groton, CT-based research based pharmaceutical company, sponsors summer research fellowships for undergraduate biology and chemistry majors. Awards in the amount of $5000 have been made to each student. The students will be paid $3000 for summer salary while $1500 goes to the department to provide supplies and equipment to support the research project. Eric and Anja were two of twenty-four fellowship recipients from applicants in the Northeast. Providence College was one of only two institutions to receive two awards.

Fellowship recipients spend the summer after their junior year working on their home campus with a faculty mentor. Anja Wade will work with Dr. Sheila Adams in the area of organic chemistry. Anja will study a type of reactions called "fractal kinetics." Fractals are mathematical descriptions of apparently random or chaotic objects. This research attempts to understand the rate at which chemical reactions proceed by using the idea of fractals. If this project can be done, it could help describe reactions which have not been previously well understood. Eric Crespo's faculty mentor is Dr. Kathleen Cornely. Eric's proposed project involves studying the disease chronic myelogenous leukemia. The white blood cells of patients with this disease are unresponsive to normal growth factors and thus multiply out of control, resulting in the eventual death of the patient. This project is a collaborative effort involving Dr. Cornely and Dr. A. Raymond Frackleton of Brown University. Dr. Frackleton's laboratory is housed in the Department of Medicine at Rhode Island Hospital. The goal of the project is to identify the mechanism by which the leukemia cells are rendered resistant to growth factors.

As part of the application process, Eric and Anja were required to write research proposals in which they described the project that they would undertake. In their research proposals, the students provided background information, a description of the proposed methodology and a description of the overall importance of the project. They were also required to describe how their background in science had prepared them to excel in their proposed research projects and how the project would fit into their long-term plans. "Classes and labs, no matter how well conducted, can only teach one so much," wrote Eric Crespo. "They cannot teach a student about how it is like to work in an actual research lab, and they cannot teach a student how to solve 'real-world' problems like those which are encountered in the research environment... The only way to truly learn about them is to actually experience them."

Eric's future plans include attending medical school, and possibly continuing to participate in medical research. Anja plans on attending graduate school. Her ideal career would "involve doing challenging and exciting work for something which will be meaningful both to me and to others," such as researching alternatives to anti- ontesting of medicine or cosmetics.

20th Annual

Undergraduate

Research Conference in Sociology

Friday, April 7th, 1995

Slavin Center

19 students will present their original work on a variety of timely topics and issues including images of women in the movies, a critical look at PC's alcohol policy, how decisions about health care are made at the national level in a democratic society, the impact of the American Women's Movement on the implementation of women's studies and black studies programs at colleges and universities, the persistence of gender stereotypes in children's environments, factors affecting the perception of child rape victims, gender relevance in Holocaust memoirs, and how we know what we know about child abuse. Previously drawing student participants from colleges and universities throughout New England and beyond, this 20th anniversary program will showcase the work of Providence College students in three of the four sessions scheduled.

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9:00-9:30 am Registration and Coffee
9:30 am Session 1. Deconstructing Women's Images: Feminism Go To the Movies
Slavin 203

Session 2. Democracy and Health Care, P.C.'s Alcohol Policy, and Perceptions of Child Rape Victims: Lessons Learned From Independent Research
Slavin 217

11:00 am Conversation and Coffee Break
11:30 am Session 3. Issues Related to Gender
Slavin 203

Session 4. How Do We Know What We Know? The Social Construction of Child Abuse
Slavin 217

1:00 pm Buffet Lunch (Tickets Required)
2:00 pm Reception: 20 Years in Retrospect

This conference is sponsored by the Providence College Sociology Department.

Interested in volunteering in a three to four month Research Project on Treatment Attitude Study? Contact Penny Elias, Director of Volunteers.

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The opening of the Student Art Show has been rescheduled. The new date for the opening is Monday, April 3 at 4:30 pm in the Hunt-Cavanagh Art Gallery.

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March 30, 1995

Portuguese Club

Trip to New York

April 1-April 2, 1995

Day One: Empire State Building, Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island

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AAUP Seeks Nominations for Community Service Award

The Providence College Chapter of the American Association of University Professors is seeking nominations for the Peter D. Salvatore Community Service Award. The award has been established in memory of Peter Salvatore, an associate professor of social work who taught at PC for over two decades and who died after a long illness in 1991. Mr. Salvatore was also a clinical social worker in private practice for 25 years and was chief psychiatric social worker and director of social intake at Bradley Hospital from 1964-1978. The award will be given annually to a Providence College senior who has made a significant contribution to improving social conditions for people and communities in need through his/her involvement in community service during his/her years at Providence College. Nominations can be made by faculty, staff, students, or members of the community and should be sent to Lynne Ryan in Hawkins 370 by March 31, 1995. The nomination should include a description of student’s involvement, the impact on community and on other Providence College students and the length of service.

Women Will Retreat

Kate Griffiths  
Club President
On Saturday, March 25th the club Women Will held a day long retreat at the Providence Zen Center. 24 participants attended the retreat including Dr. Charlotte O’Kelly of the Sociology Department and Dr. Bernadette Topel of the Theology Department. Kate Griffiths ’95, who has acted as President of Women Will this year led the retreat with the theme of creating unity and helping one another with common concerns about college. The morning began with a zazen meditation and included discussion of the book entitled Gifts from the Sea. Everyone was asked to “bring something wonderful” which led to an exchange of memories and important influences in our lives. The day would not have been possible without the financial assistance offered by the Women’s Studies Department. Women Will meets weekly and encourages new membership. Please contact the Student Congress office if you are interested in attending or planning events similar to our First Annual Women’s Retreat.

Seniors!!  
Commencement  
Photo/Video drop off

Drop off your photos and videos Tuesday April 4th - Thursday April 6th in Lower Slavin

Seniors  
"Return to Rosies"

Club night at Muldoon’s  
Friday March 31st
Tickets are $5  
You must take a bus to get in  
Tickets are on sale Friday March 31st in Lower Slavin

'95 Notes

Seniors! Welcome back to crunch time. In less than one month we will take a permanent position in the “Real World”. So until then, squeeze in as much fun and memories as possible. With only a few weeks left in our stay at Providence College, I’d like to invite you to a "Return to Rosie’s" club night at Muldoons on Friday, March 31st. Join your classmates where it all began for our last Class of '95 night out on the town.

Right after Easter, Commencement bids will go on sale. Make sure you pay attention to all of those signs we hang up...they’ll give you all the details. We have worked hard to put together a great Graduation week for you. I look forward to having us all together for the last time during our three events on May 16th, 17th and 18th. Good luck getting your work done between now and then. Let me know if you have any concerns related to the Senior Class.

Things to do...

BOP Films

BOP and Blackfriars present SNOOPY!
Friday April 28th - Sunday April 30th  
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Show times are Friday 8:00 pm, Saturday 8:00 pm and Sunday 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm  
Tickets are $3 and go on sale April 3rd

BOP Coffeehouse presents:  
Student Performers
on Tuesday April 4th from 9-12 pm in Stuart’s  
Come watch fellow students perform and enjoy free nachos!!

BOP Fine Arts presents:  
Trip to New York  
Saturday April 1, 1995  
Buses leave PC at 7:30 am and leave New York at 6:30 pm  
Tickets are $15  
Trip includes Metropolitan Museum of Art and Soho  
Admission to the museum is free.

Natural Born Killers
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Note: All events are free unless otherwise stated.

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Jill Murphy '95, Paulie Barclay '95: Blowing off classes.

Matt Duffy '96, Chris McManus '96: The sweet scent of victory.

Julie LaPointe '97, Margi Clifford '97: Phish and frisbee on the Quad.

Sarah Walsh '96, Jen Parker '96: Finding a way to get on our porch.

Brian Corkery '95, Jim Dugan '95: It's when Joey T. moves off the couch to the chair on the porch.

Meg McGee, Holly DeAngelis, Cara Niverson, all '95: Doherty with his shirt off.

Kevin Casey '96.5: Extensions, dimensions.

John Popper and random BOPers: Blues Traveler concerts.

Rod Cappiello '96: Growing my sideburns.

K and A: Climbing on the roof watching wiffleball tournies.
Alternative Action
Habitat for Humanity teaches more than just hammering nails

Kristen Gariepy '95
Editor-in-Chief

If you're ever looking for a heated debate, try the hallway outside The Cowl office on Monday nights. Every week, our editorial staff meets and discusses their articles - most of which focus on national topics such as politics and social issues. As editor, I am supposed to offer my input during these meetings, but several months ago I made the decision to abstain from discussing article ideas with the writers.

I based my decision on the fact that I don't believe I am a very opinionated person. Sure, I enjoy listening to two writers battle for or against the need for welfare reform, but I do not choose a side. Don't get me wrong, just because I avoid a concrete stance doesn't label me unintelligent. I consider my intelligence the fact that I listen to all sides of an issue and attempt to broaden my knowledge, but refrain from consistently arguing against another's opinions.

My whole attitude on personal opinions changed over Spring Break. In early November, I was accepted to participate in the Habitat for Humanity Alternative Spring Break trip to Homestead, Florida. (There were also three other trips - to Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and West Virginia.) I had no clue what to expect during the trip and I was hardly one to lend a "helping hand" prior to my acceptance. All I knew was that I was going to Florida to rebuild after the destruction of Hurricane Andrew two years ago - a storm that hit southern Florida while I was vacationing there during the summer of 1992. In order for these trips to take place, the 52 participants had to raise $16,000.

After fundraising and collecting sponsors, we were successful (and then some). The fifteen of us assigned to Florida stayed at an ICARE (Interfaith Coalition for Andrew Recovery Effort) site for the entire week. We slept on cots in cabins and woke every morning at 6:30 am to prepare for a day of work - tasks which ranged from painting to plumbing to electrical work to rebuilding floors and walls.

There were about 250 other volunteers, including students from the University of Illinois and senior citizen couples who devoted their winter months to reconstructing Andrew's devastating destruction. On our first night, the director of the compound explained how Andrew destroyed over $8,000 homes. In other words, envision approximately the entire city of Providence suddenly being left homeless.

A home I worked on for four of the five days was owned by a disabled woman named Maryon, who had no home insurance at the time of the storm. Her walls were destroyed by water damage and her floors were collapsing due to termites. We began working on her house on Monday by ripping out all of her kitchen and bathroom (walls, counters, sinks, toilets - everything). Tuesday through Thursday I found myself taking out all the rug, repainting and painting walls, and repainting the entire outside of the house. By Friday, she had a brand-new kitchen, bathroom, and floors in three of the rooms. Every morning we arrived she always thanked God for sending help her way. I have never met a person more courageous and appreciative in my entire life. The contractors we worked with are still helping other college volunteers finish the work we started on Maryon's house.

Another home we worked on was in its final stages. The owner, Patty, and her three children, had been living out of a camper in her front yard since Andrew destroyed her roof and walls. We arrived in time to see the outside of the house painted, new rug placed, and her smiling face the day she moved in.

A week after returning from Homestead, I am still surprised at how much the trip changed me. Before I left, I was skeptical about helping the homeless and the poor. I was unsure of my stance on welfare and whether or not it was effective in the struggle to end poverty. Now I return with my first solid opinion ever: Americans need to help Americans - however they can. Sure, we need to develop stronger family values and focus on fair education for all, but more importantly, we need to lend a hand.

I still love to hear members of my staff debate, but I have developed a new attitude. I have the utmost respect for those who are not afraid to voice their opinions - even when they face opposition. Talking is the best way to develop intellectual and strong opinions, but it only works and most of the time, words won't change or help anything. It is only when you put your words into action that they actually mean something - to you and others.

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Melissa McCorison '95

Features Writer

Library, second floor, outside runway by section P, purple chair—my spot. Not yours; not your friends; it’s mine! I used to have felt quite proven that I cannot function in any other section or in any other library, let alone the same problem in classes, too. I spend the first couple of days getting a feel for the room and its vibes. By day three, my spot has been declared. It’s the same deal at the kitchen table, in the living room, in Mondo. What is it that “calls” to such a desperate and compelling attachment to a chair, table, or couch?

I know that I am not alone in my devotion to special comfort zones, either. On any given night in the Library, I know that I will see the exact same people in the exact same seats performing (the same) exact same ritualistic student activities. Long live monotony! How many of us have walked into class sometime late in the semester to find an intrepid sitting “in your seat?” This year I was involved in a bit of occupational hazard in my seat. It has been known to set off one or entire equilibrium for full day, I think you know what I’m talking about. People throughout history have fought for the right to retain their thrones, and they are smart enough to have very fancy chairs. So, in essence, bloody battles have been fought over comfort. It completely sympathizes with me because I, myself, have gone through getting me drunk; I’m an XXL.) The other popular beer brand, "La Cerveza Mas Fina," was which was made available in a very dark 40 ounce...bottles, had finished it before it got warm it was time to say "No go" (as in no more brain cells). They also served up lots of tropical drinks for the people who could afford them but the poor lack that I, staying with the eight-peso-a-piece Corona 40’s (Currency Note: the peso fluctuates as much as the tongues of the drunken slaps on the dance floors...) The days were spent "hangin’ out" at the beach or the pool and many took this way too literally. The Mexican makes seemed to think that they were pirates who just found their treasure, displaying their "booty" and "jewels" all over the beach. The sun was blinding but it was nothing compared to the weather that these guys were doing "in your eyes. Someone should have told them that pirates were on their way, possibly into the biggest waves over their eyes, not over their "booty" (Thar it goes Armit!). Fortunately, there were plenty of women who were from the bikinis (chichi-chi’s grande!), bikinis in all styles and colors (the American flag suit caused many a male to feel patriotic...as well as themselves). There were also the beachcomber suits (Mexican water: you can’t drink it but, go lucky, it sure has saved many a life). Chants of "too many" to win were sometimes acknowledged with the loss of the game, followed quickly by the chants of "as to pass" and then for some reason a lot of television and music started playing. Telling each other their love for the classic show Lean to it Beayer. Anyway, there was a lot of fun to be had on the beach; volleyball, Bad girls, drink specials, Bad girls, free tequila, wakening, Bud Girls. But the night scene was unforgettably believable even when the sun went down, there was still plenty of heat...

What’s up about the night life in Cancun? The Hop’s Breathing Saloon rocked, The Banana Bunch was swinging, Daddy-O’s, Tequila Rock, and La Bonita was hopping and the best time of all was had in the phabulous Fat Tuesday’s (getting tanked while filling your tank with 190 Octane). Also, there was this huge party that involved filling the whole room with white foam and then, well, trying to get it off (the foam, the foam). And like any place where there is alcohol, the public sexcapades were common ("could you wipe this foam off of my shorts...wait a minute, that’s not foam...ahhh!"). Popular chose what we went too...This is the Rhythm of the Night/You’ve got to Move, Move it/Here comes the Hotstepper, Word ‘em up/ The Dj’s Love U Pungal chant. They also had little kids all night up trying to hawk bracelets and clichets to all the party people...these kids (cute, cadly, deadly!) would do just about anything for a peso (OK, except this is a real beach, now go play in traffic...). DIOS MIO! I’d be very surprised if I got a quick note to all the sensors out there. Be on the lookout for the Thirty Days All Graduates looking for extravaganza, It’s Gonna ROCK your world...Adios, Amigos.

Jeff Komanetsky '98

Features Writer

"A great way to get drunk in Cancun is to watch March is the most wonderful time of year!" Although I usually refrain from patronizing myself. I feel that those words help to express the emotion felt by people across this nation. That March is not great because those damn aquisitions are back in force again, nor is it special because it can also be used as a verb (although that is neat), the other side of March rises above all other months because it is the NCAA basketball tournament! Unless you annually choose March as a nice month to hibernate, you already know that it is both a time for the fulfillment and crumbling of dreams and eggs. It is Christmas time without the annoying relatives. It is MADNESS! In case you are one of the few who have actu­ally been in hibernation, here is a top to bottom guide to all that makes up the method to the madness.

1. The NCAA Although it is often confused with a strikingly similar institution known as the NAACP, the NCAA is that which holds it all together. Basically, it assures that players don’t take their own private jets to games in which they get paid by the lay-up. Although it sometimes suspends players right before the tournament and ruins the tournament pool, the NCAA works for the good of the players(except for those who warm up for games in a truck tuned by their agent, Vito). 2. The Program There are several types of programs that works in its own way towards the common goal of success. There are the rare programs which avoids corruption and somehow manages to succeed. In the end, there is the bad program, which always breaks the rules, always gets caught and always loses. You’d know about these schools if they’d ever get off probation and on TV (HINT: Their coaches work as used car salesmen during the day). Finally, there is everyone’s favorite, the Bad to the Bone program, which hasn’t lost a game in eight years thanks to some loopholes which made it possible to manipulate the DNA of ordinary humans and to create monsters that dunk with their feet and use the art of dental floss.

3. The Coach While watching the bench players who have played poorly know that they will be eaten by the coach after the game. The final deal of coach must remain untold but, simply, put, his players are aware that if they sink up the court, they’ll end up in here (HINT: It rhymes with the other kinds of coaches).

4. The Player Some ride the bus and some buy the bus. The whole idea of the players is to either persua­ders or either pro­gress one’s enjoyment of the game or make you want to make use of the mute button. First, there is the knowledgeable announcer, who can tell you everything down to where the mascot went to school. Second, there is the annoying, stupid announcer, who routinely screams, "HERE COMES A MONSTER DUNK, BABBY!!!" just before a foot, eight inch guy goes in for a lay-up.

5. The Fan Finally, there is the fan. Fans include the "Fell­ing off the floor" and more time sitting on their couch, watching games with a beer in their hand and no idea what is going on. There is also the "Beginner," who gets lucky and predicts the fate of the team. The team itself, the tournament pool, causing a horde of full­timers to shoot themselves. Most fans like to gamble on the games and some, like myself, are often forced to pawn off their grandparents in order to pay off a few debts. I, however, have reformed and gambling is no longer a part of my life—the odds are five to one that I won’t even bet! (Which is a mistake.

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Get out of my Comfort Zone

Matt Bunnell '95

Also: Features Editor

All right now, what do you get when you mix ten thousand college students, sun, boomer and Mexico? You get a lot of sunburnt drunk Americans spending the last few days before getting back up on the beaches and dance floors of Cancun... (Oooh! Good times.) Doesn’t sound too bad if you stayed around here for break, I’m not rubbing it out... I mean, in May was simply sitting by the beach and then partying till dawn, hitting the beach, partying till dawn. Now, I know nobody that went to Cancun did this. Some chose to lead different lifestyles...while others chose instead to use LifeSavers (or Trolls or those other Jimmy hats that glow in the dark) but, well, the interior's over...let’s hit it and quit it ———-

Cancun, derived from the Spanish "Can Can," meaning "get beaten, get wasted, get tasted" is well, located in Mexico, with a beautiful background. We, the members of Providence College headed out into this unknown territory armed only with our lives and a sincere belief that we might get arrested and possibly deported. Everyone told us not to drink the water or else some guy named Montezuma would really pissed off or something (although people that drunk the water thought it was just another sick... wonder if there’s a connection?). There were plenty of other "dangers" that we had to cope with. The first, like Dos Equis (I think that means "two equis") better known as XX. I have the out the reason this stuff wasn’t

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Daytona

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So, you're walking down the street and some guy says to you, "I'm going to invent your eye-lid." If your sensitivity to psychos is what it should be, your response would be either a swift kick or a blast of pepper spray. As I sit through the tortures of an eye-exam, (a week of red-eyed, watery, itchy agony left me no alternative) I wished that I had some sort of similar defense.

Instead, I sat helpless as my new eye doctor (whose name I picked at random from the yellow pages) probed, pulled and generally mangled my entire ocular region. As he led me from devil machine to devil machine, my thoughtful doctor neglected to explain the purpose of each hateful test. So, in order to keep my mind from the laser-like lights burning holes in my retinas and the ex-cruciating pain, I came up with my own understanding of what the tests were for.

The Blinking Test- They'll tell you that the puff of air they let loose on your eye tests for glaucoma, but don't believe it. The important part of the procedure is the five minutes that elapse between the time when the doctor tells you to expect the puff and the moment the puff itself occurs. Normally after they've seen you blink about thirty times with each eye, they send you off to the next test. (Of course if you blink say eight or nine hundred times within those five minutes, they'll keep telling you that you need to do it again so that they can call over all of their opthalmist cohorts to view the freak. Not that I would know from experience.)

The Math Test- After turning out the lights and putting on illuminated head gals that is right out of Silence of the Lambs, the eye doctor tells you to focus on the squares in the ceiling. With an industrial strength light glaring in your face, this is no easy task. Once your eyes start streaming, the doctor will begin giving you math problems. 'Doc- Okay, look two to the left, one to the right, down, one up, six to the left, fifteen to the right...'


The Pain Threshold Test- When the doctor comes at you with a Q-tip, get nervous. Telling you to relax and look down, the doctor will use the Q-tip to roll back your eye lid. This is not fun. Me- I don't think that eyelids are meant to do that. What do you think I'm made of, rubber? 'Doc- Well, we'll see won't we. Does that hurt at all? How about if I pull your eyelashes? Me- Yipe, yipe, yipe. 'Doc- Very good, you pass. Me- Ouch! What are you, some sort of wacko or something? Doc- Sit back and shut up, punk, before I rip your eyelid right off.

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PC's St. Augustine

Eras and austere drill instructor... 

By Joe Kestynski

The unique environment which exists at PC, that of Dominicans and students living and learning together, provides us with the opportunity to get to know some very special people. One such person is Fr. Elias Henritzy, a wonderful individual with a very intriguing story. His essence is personified in a peaceful soul and a humble heart. I was immediately touched by his calm and open demeanor, and was able to learn a great deal about this fascinating man: former Dominican and a one-time "hippie" and austere drill instructor...

Fr. Elias is very obviously not your ordinary priest, nor did he follow any of the standard avenues in his extended and difficult road towards ordination. Raised in the coal-mining region of northeastern Pennsylvania, Fr. Elias enrolled at Bucknell University as a National Merit Scholar in the early '70's, dropping out after two years. Two more years were spent in the Coast Guard as a rigorous alternative to draft card number 17. For Fr. Elias, these were turbulent years when he was searching for meaning and never finding answers. It was during this time that he joined the navy when a savvy chaplain asked him the shocking and then unanswerable question: "Who loves you?" In his struggle to find that answer, Fr. Elias turned to God, and all the great deal of soul-searching, discovered that answer and more.

Fr. Elias first turned to his own heart, and then to the Bible, looking back from it. Eventually something deeply profound began happening to him, something from which he could not turn away. He began to read the Gospels and soon thereafter decided to "take a gamble and become a Catholic." He compares the miracle of the good in his friends' "to a housewife. He's not the divinity, but when the foggy weather sets in, and we need some kind of guidance in the midst of a voice, it is there to help us as we try to determine what is true and false." Ultimately, he made the decision to join a religious order, and with this, truly found what he had been looking for all I want to give, but can't conceal into a single "truth." It is clear that Fr. Elias has a great deal of respect for PC and its students, making reference to the warmth of the campus, and how the Church has brought "light and engaging, friendly and personable." He also emphasizes that he couldn't have asked for anything better than to teach theology at a Catholic college, and even mentions that living in Fennin isn't so bad. He is a faculty advisor in the STEP I program, and is intrigued by the possibilities of further involvement in student and campus activities.

Like the rest of the Dominicans on campus, there is also a great deal more going on than we are often aware. Almost every weekend, Fr. Elias leads retreats and prayer sessions in local churches. He is also a Chaplain for the Third Order Group, an association of laity who live a Dominican life in the community with their families, and through one of its members, to give the public a glimpse of this "roaming order of good old terrifams," I raised my hand to offer the more or less petite statue of the figure from sideview. After all, didn't we want to be objectives?

The stunned silence of the guest speaker, punctuated by the groups of the growing-up and intellectualizing looks of my pecked peers all left me awash in humiliation. The speaker and I continued in our predesigned roles, and I had difficulty to say that exploration did not turn on the number of the hours of the day, and the red-faced listener to achieve the consequences of another adolescent faux pas. I could hear to look no less at Kepler did not harm to Christ, with averisons glib to Catholicism's persecution of that Copernican prophet, Galileo. I was not a believer in any strong sense of the term at the time. I had been asking for proof of God's existence and eventually an in ordinary Sunday school sessions matched with inexcusable commitment through a sea of names for northern and southern prophets and kings. It was the lot to be the abandoned pillar of salt in looking back to the foundation of the ancient in- terminable wanderings into a history which seemed to have no relevance to me. The sins of ancient Israelites and whether I was to claim my guilt before God seemed topically secondary to being sure there was a God.

At the same time that pro- ductive source of marvels from transistor radio to Sputnik, science, was silent. I had been assured that there were eminent men of solid character who professed faith and found no conflict between beaker and Bible. Yet, they had never seen science for my quandary about God's existence, and in Sunday school in their veneration of this esteemed more than such questions as this unarguably laid posed. I took in my last column that exploring what it is to be a Catholic college implied considering about the inter- course of Athens and Jerusalem.

I suppose Tertullian to have been giving a derring-do response to the consideration of any salvation through philosophy, or of an humbly acquired wisdom commensurate to that of Christ and his holy word. The simple answer of knowing for God or having wis- dom about life framed his third century.

The coming of the third mil- lennium finds us in the midst of more doctrines and complicat- ions. We are sojourners in a culture converted by witness of technique with its own promise for salvation, sanctioned by the failings and fights of Christians, and tired, even trained, into avoiding asking ancient human questions to the cosmos about God and the purpose of our life.

We wrestle, not in the Greco- Roman style, but from its heresy and a twasting history, with questions about the nature of the eternal and historically and culturally conveyed in the Scriptures and in the Church. We have ceased to repeat the oracles of Delphi, and eagerly look to ever new discoveries and approaches to look at things great and small. I was not satisfied by hear- ing Kepler and Christ were separate and not inmortal. Now after all, it takes root in me, I must ask how has Christ trans- formed the universe, how does it witness to my answers and how the seeking of our hearts in sundry studies and sciences and the like. I seek that Providence calls us all to some part of that questing.

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**Mirror Image**

Scott Laprade '97

**Sports Writer**

The men's tennis team ended their second week of the spring season with the mirror image of the first week's results. Instead of winning three straight contests before dropping a match, the Friars lost their first match, and turned it around by winning three straight once again. This puts the Friars at 6-2, led by 6-1 records from John Weber and Felipe Vivar.

Coming off the loss from regionals at Brown, PC dropped a 5-1 match to the Temple Owls. Only singles matches were played, with the sole Friar victory coming from Weber. After cruising through the first set, Weber, hoped the second set before putting it together for a 6-4 triumph in three sets.

The Friars ended their two-game skid by sweeping their match versus St. Bonaventure, 6-0 on March 12th in Bermuda. Kevin Ryan won a thriller at 6th singles, sandwiching a 6-4 set loss between 6-1 and 6-3 set victories. Other winners included Vivar (6-4, 6-2), Paul Gagliardi (6-3, 3-5), Jim O'Leary (6-3, 3-6, 7-6), and John O'Neil (7-5, 7-6).

The next day the squad played a different team, but the result was the same, another “W” in the column. Fairfield played PC tough in the top two slots, but the Friars proved to be too strong and deep, handing them a 5-1 loss. In total games won, from 3rd to 6th singles, PC outscored the Sags 48-8. Playing in the top spot, Gagliardi was steam-rolled in the first set 6-1, before he immediately turned things around, winning the next two sets and the match, 1-6, 6-2, 6-4.

The Friars would extend their streak to three games with a win over Colgate, 5-2. PC earned the doubles point with a sweep of the competition. Vivar and Weber both improved their records with straight set wins. Also, O'Neil raised his record to 5-1 with a straight set victory. On the downside, Dylan Williams, playing in only his third spring match, dropped a tough three-setter to Ryan Bujek. The loss drops him to 0-3 in the spring. He is a much better player than his record indicates, and will undoubtedly turn things around for the improvement of the team.

Over the break, the women's team went 1-2. Their win came against Ohio Wesleyan, 7-2. In their two losses, the scores do not indicate the true picture. They came against nationally ranked Baylor (0-6) and the Temple (0-6). Coach Labranche stated, “The girls are playing much closer to their potential. They are stroking the ball really well, right now.” A major loss to the team is their number two player, Christina Martin, who is injured. This makes the lady netters a little thin. Their next match is against Fordham on Sunday.

Even though the men's team could not go on spring break, I'm sure they got their fair share of fun and runtine in Bermuda, nonetheless. In fact, it marked the beginning of their current win streak. In case you might not have noticed, the men's season has been composed of nothing, but streaks: two winning streaks (3 games each) and the one losing streak (2 games) in between. If the trend continues, the Friars are due for a loss in their next match versus Yale on "foreign ground." But, who the hell cares about predictive trends?

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**A soggy start**

Cory McGann '98

**Sports Writer**

You know Spring has arrived when the Providence College Golf team has begun to see it up and let it fly. The team is hoping to build upon a solid start from the Fall season. Try-outs for the team are winding down and Head Coach Joe Prisco is assembling his final roster. The top three are seniors Marc Stieweiter, Kevin Magnier, and Gil D'Andrea. They are hoping to close out their excellent Providence College careers with a strong finish in the upcoming tournaments. Other key members on the team are Jeff Magee, described by Coach Prisco as "a good little player," T.J. McDonald, Rod Cappiello, Chris Butau, and John Dowd.

The squad recently participated in the Palm Springs Invitational on March 17th. The tournament, unfortunately, was cancelled due to weather conditions. The victim of bad weather. The first day of the three day event was rained out, forcing it to become a two day competition. The Friar golfers, who played well enough to finish in the middle of the pack on Saturday, were unfortunate victims of the strong winds and the round scores skyrocketed. The twenty-six team tournament was won by Iowa State University. Official results were not available at press time.

The next tournament will be the Friars is on April 7th.

**PC Athletes of the Week**

Jim O'Brien '97 (Oxford, Massachusetts)

Baseball

Jim made his first career Big East start versus BC on Saturday and gave up only one hit en route to a 8-0 complete game shutout. He faced just 25 batters, giving up a single in the third inning as he struck out 3 and walked 3. For his performance, O'Brien was named Big East Co-Pitcher of the week.

Meredith Zenowich '96 (Marblehead, Connecticut)

Softball

In a 2-0 week for the Lady Friars, Zenowich was 4-7 (.571) in a doubleheader versus Boston University, including 3 triples and RBI and was named Big East Co-Player of the Week. She led Providence in every offensive category and helped her squad improve to an impressive 10-2 overall record.

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PC will face a much more difficult test than BC for the coming weekend when they host Georgetown on Saturday and Sunday. The perennial cellar-dwelling Hoyas sweep 1994 Big East Champion UCopp last weekend. "Georgetown has gotten much better," admitted Delvecchio. The games start at noon both days and Saturday features a doubleheader. In addition, unlike the outrageous prices major league teams will charge next week to see replacement players, admission is always free, and fans receive the chance to see individuals who actually love the sport.
SPORTS

Laxmen search for spark

Derek Stout ’95

The arrival of spring brings with it a sense of renewal and a fresh beginning. The characteristics that the 1995 PC lacrosse squad are attempting to use to create a home run of a disappointing ’94 season when the Friars were only three games. Presently, the laxmen are still having difficulty on the field. PC has dropped its first two contests to C.W. Post and Marist College.

PC is returning a solid squad on offense with the potent combination of sophomore Chris McManus who had an impressive freshman season. He will be teamed with Billy Pymms who has been the foundation of the offense the last three seasons. Andy Hencrum will move from midfield to attack where he originally played his freshman year. The three veterans will be joined by freshman Jason Imes who netted four goals in his first two games.

The key to the season will be the play of the midfielders and defense led by seniors Abbrete Broome, Stone Zanlunghi and John McCavanagh. Jim McGovern and Matt Duffie will be back on the backend of the defense with Kieman McCavanagh who has been given his revenge duties replacing Pat McNiff.

PC began their ’95 campaign versus C.W. Post and eluded a disinterested squad from Long Island. The Friars began the game a little rusty, trailing 2-1 at the end of the first period. During the second the Friars Post capitalized on defensive lapses by the PC scoring five goals to go ahead 7-3. It only got worse for PC as C.W. Post scored five more times defeating the Friars 12-6. PC’s offense appeared rusty, but picked up mildly in the middle periods. The base of the offense, Pymms and McCavanagh combined for two of the six goals. Hannahl waltz little time impressing his teammates with three goals in the loss. Kieman McCavanagh started in the net and was bombarded with forty-nine shots on goal.

PC then faced Marist last Saturday on Clay Field in an offensive spectacle losing 15-12. They scored ten goals in the first half, but fell apart allowing seven goals in the second half and scoring only two. Marist took advantage of a poor defensive effort in the third period to take the lead 13-12. PC’s offense failed to take advantage of sixteen power play penalties within the contest, scoring only five. The Friars were also set back by a disciplined shoulder suffered by Pymms who is not definite on when he will return. John McCavanagh added in Pymms absence scoring two goals after the injury. PC will host Siena College on Saturday at 2pm.

The Friars will count on senior Andy Hencrum to provide leadership.

Men’s basketball

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28 half-time lead.

Picking up from his weekend performance, Chris Croshere sparked the rally with 17 of his team-high 28 points. The future of the Friars all sat a variety of work and jumpers, capping his performance off with three points to the N.C.A.A. Tournament.

The loss ended PC’s season, but a comfortable second half advantage over the Cougars helped bring in a 2-1 margin. The Friars showed a key hole and closed the margin to 27-56 with 7 minutes remaining. Possessing the ball and confident, he gunned home 11 of 22 field goal attempts, including an 8-of-8 mark from the free-throw line, during the comeback.

During the final five minutes, senior Maciej Zielinski, seeking to prolong his college career, contributed key hoops and rebounds during crunch time. In the last two minutes, Michael Good’s 20 point outburst served as PC’s game winner.

The post season life of Gillien’s troops ended with spring break performance. Croshere rebounded from a frustrating first half to pace the Friars with a career high 15 points, leading PC in scoring for the fourth straight game. “We learned a lot this year. Facing off playing much our freshman year. Next year will be the time for us to step up,” said PC.

In addition to the return turning core of Michael Brown, Murdock, and Croshere, Gillien has his staff, which included Bill Comerford and Jim McClellan. Included in this group are New- Yorkers Shon Mawell and James Wells. Rated as the second best incoming point guard in the nation, will be counted on to allow Brown to move back to his natural shooting position occasionally.

Most important, PC’s late season rally, despite a lack of depth proved that the Friars have moved away from their 1980’s reputation as “Big East dogs”. Once again, the program has a chance to place two graduates in the NBA, Williams and Troy Brown. Although one can’t expect annual first place finishes, a solid coaching scenario should prevent frequent second division performances how history used to dictate.
Lady Friars sizzle

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The Providence College softball team won both ends of the home-opening double-header in convincing style as they captured their fifth straight win on Tuesday afternoon.

The Lady Friars swept Holy Cross in the first game and 7-2 in the nightcap. The team seemed to be completely focused on the task at hand and not looking past Holy Cross to Thursday's start of the Big East season (on Thursday at home against Boston College.)

On the fact that her team has gotten off to a sparkling 12-2 start, Head Coach Jennifer Finley (Providence '92) said, "We are playing really well as a team. We are focused on playing softball and we're not worried about the stats. The Big East is where we are looking to make an impact and hopefully go all the way back to winning the Big East Championship."

The team has cranked out a five game winning streak after opening the season with a 7-0 start. They played their first two games in the Rebel Spring Games (Orlando, FL) over Spring Break. While everyone else was getting a tan or just being lazy, the Lady Friars were off to a great start in defense of their Big East title.

In Florida, they played the likes of Dayton, Maine, Wisconsin-Green Bay, Florida Atlantic, Tennessee-Chattanooga, and Dartmouth just to name a few. Their only losses were to Florida Atlantic and Tennessee-Chattanooga. After the loss, the Lady Friars came north for a twin bill at Boston University.

The first game was a pitchers duel between Junior Ace Amy Kvilhaug and two BU pitchers. BU scored first in the third on a triple. They made it 2-0 in the fourth when Boston added another run on a sacrifice fly. Kvilhaug settled down to shut out the Lady Terriers the rest of the way as PC staged their comeback. The Lady Friars put one on the board in the top of the fifth and scored two in their final at bat to win by a final of 3-2. Kvilhaug went the distance for her fourth straight win to run her record to an impressive 4-0.

The Lady Friars got started early in game two with Junior Meredith Zenovich's triple scoring shortstop Kim Robbins in the top of the first. Junior Beth Miller then singled in Zenovich making it 2-0 Providence. The Lady Friars struck again in the third with back-to-back triples by Robbins and Zenovich followed by Beth Miller's run-scoring double and Senior catcher Katie Collins sacrifice fly making it a 5-0 game. The Lady Friars manufactured a run in the fourth when Kate Drohan walked, advanced to second on a wild pitch, moved to third on another wild pitch and scored on an error by the center fielder. Then, Zenovich scored on Miller's triple to bring the lead to 7-0. Junior Candy Erickson cruised until the fifth surrendering a run, but it was unaired being that it was scored on a miscue by the shortstop. The Lady Friars added another run in the top of the sixth to make it 8-1 and it stayed that way until Boston University's final at bat when they struck for another run, but Erickson finished strong for her fourth win against one loss. Meredith Zenovich was 2 for 4 with three RBI and Beth Miller was 3 for 3 with two RBI.

On Tuesday, the Lady Friars played their first game of the year on their home soil in a double-header against Holy Cross. Game one saw Beth Miller score two-run single in the bottom of the first. The second inning featured Kim Robbins two-run dinger, her second of the season, and the Lady Friars took control to cruise to the easy 9-0 whitewash of Holy Cross. Kelly Taber pitched a three-hitter in the five-inning shortened game. The game was called in the bottom of the fifth due to the right run rule. Beth Miller duplicated her success against BU, once again going 3 for 3 with three RBI.

The nightcap featured Meghann Murray, who smacked her first career home run in the second, a two-run job, to make it 7-0. Holy Cross scored two in the top of the third off starter Lauren Smith to tie it at 2-2. PC pulled away in the bottom of the third as Big East Player of the Week hit a three-run round trip, her first of the season, to make it a 5-2 game. PC added two more in the fifth to make it a final of 7-2. Amy Kvilhaug came in for 4.2 innings to hold the Cross hitters to notch her fifth win of the season.

"We're really playing well as a team," said Coach Finley. "We're not worried about the stats. Our starting pitchers are all doing well. Amy [Kvilhaug] is back after a broken index finger. We have no one key player. In this run it's been a different person every game. Against BU it was Meredith [Zenovich], against Holy Cross it was [Kim Robbins], someone steps forward each time and that is what makes this team good. We are ready to play in the Big East and we're out to prove last year wasn't a fluke."

The Lady Friars played Boston College at home on Thursday afternoon and will hit the road this weekend to play Villanova and St. John's.

Amy Kvilhaug '96 fires one home for the Lady Friars.

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End of the road
Friars upset Syracuse, fail to
Virginia Tech in NIT

Justin Macione '95
Sports Editor

Although the PC hoop season ended last Monday night with a 96-91 National Invitational Tour-
nament loss to Virginia Tech, there is no question that they saved their best basketball for the
end.

The Friars closed out the year with 4 wins in their last 6 games, and a 17-13 final mark. The annual
late-season charge began when they upset UConn and Villanova to end the Big East regular season.

While a large per-
centage of the student body was starting their spring break in Florida or Cancun on March 10, PC turned its
attention to Manhattan and a first round Big East Tour-
nament matchup versus Syracuse. It was unfortu-
nate that the tip-off occurred at this time, since many stu-
dents were unable to see the Friars rebound from a 17
point deficit in a 71-69 over-
time upset. The game was
televised only on Channel 6 and affiliate stations in Big East markets.

Clinging to
their bare NCAA tournament
hopes, the Friars kept within
striking distance throughout the
first half. They were
lucky to be trailing by a 36-
28 deficit after shooting
30%. "In the first half, we were
hesitant and tentative and lucky not to be down by 17
or 18 points," commented
Pete Gillen. Lawrence

Moten slashed inside for 10
points to pace the Orange, while
center Onil Hill filled in for the
foul-plagued J.B. Readn
ayer and chipped in 8.

Eric Williams and
Austin Croshere paced the Fri-
ars with 8 points each. While
Williams was double teamed, the sophomore took advantage of the open space to convert a pair of 3 pointers. This pattern was a preview of Croshere's 18
point second half outburst.

PC continued its in-
consistency through the initial
10 minutes of the second half.
Paced by the inside presence of Hill, Syracuse jumped out to
a 54-37 lead near the midway
mark, and the threesome of Orange in the stands began to exit the Madison Square Garden. Little
did they know that their team
would be going upstate on Sat-
urday morning.

The fans didn't stay
long enough to see John
Wallace and Lake Jackson com-
mit their fourth fouls, decid-
ing the SU frotcourt. Starting
with Croshere's baseline jumper at 9:34, the Friars embarked on a 14-2 run, capped by Bo
Larmann's trey.

They were
trailing 50-46 with 9:34
remaining. Wallace also fouled
out in the final minute. But, Todd
Burgan's buzzer-beating
tip-in sent the game into over-
time, tied at 65 apiece.

In a surprising OT twist, Croshere would hurl the
torch over to his slumping team-
mate Jason Murdock. The
 sophomore guard responded with a wide open jumper, and drew a foul from Jackson with .1
seconds remaining, prompt-
ing a foul shot from the Orange
dominated arena. He pro-
ceed to convert both attempts and seal the win. "He (Jackson) really clobbered him. It took
courage for the official to call it," commented Gillen.

When the Friars
stormed out to an early 9-4 lead the following afternoon against
Villanova, it seemed like PC
could possibly convert their late-season surge into an NCAA bid. However, the 3 game win streak versus ranked opponents would come to an end versus the journey champion Wildcats.

Led by early contribu-
tions from the senior core of
Williams, Troy Brown, and
Franklin Western, the Friars
were able to remain within 3
points of VU at the half, trail-
ing 39-36. Jason Lawson con-
nected on all five of his field
goal attempts. Kerry Kittles
struggled with a 4-12 shooting
performance, yet managed to
burn PC with a last-second 3
point play.

Villanova started to
roll ahead of the Friars with a
63-52 lead in the first 7 minutes of the second half, after Kittles found his shot. "Chuck
(Kornegay) and Jason down
lower opened a strong inside
game for me," said the Big East MVP, who burned PC for 29

Midway through the
half, the Friars would make a
final charge with a 13-2 run.
Croshere tied the score at 65
apiece with a key trey. Croshere
finished with 21 points, earning
criticism at the tournament
All-Star Team.

However, the Friars
had expended all their energy,
and an 8-2 VU charge sealed
their advancement into Sunday's title match with
UConn. "We had no more gas," added Gillen. Saturday's set-
tback took the Friars back to
NIT-land and a date the follow-
ing Thursday with the College of
Charleston.

In the second string
tourney opener at the Civic
Center, PC withstood a late
two half surge by Charleston, prevailing by a 76-65 score.

The teams traded baskets for most of the first half with
Charleston leading 23-19 when spark plug Marion Busby
left the game. PC proceeded on an 18-3 tear, enjoying a 41-33

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Carroll captures NCAA title in 5000m

The NCAA's have finally come and gone, but they did not go by without any noise. The Friars had their fair share of ups and downs. Amy Rudolph, after qualifying for the finals, had to be withdrawn with a slight injury, the consistent Mark Carroll cruised to victory, and Marie McMahon broke the tournament record only to place second. Behind who? Yes, you guessed it, Jennifer Rhines of Villanova.

On the day of the finals for the mile, Rudolph was slightly limping. Coach Treacy recalls, "Amy was limping. I immediately withdrew her from the tournament, in order to prevent further damage. If she aggravated it any more, she could jeopardize her outdoor season, and need to go up to six months rehabilitation. My choice was in Amy's best interest." Marie McMahon came in second to Rhines, with a time of 15:44.13. Both runners broke the tournament record time. All season long, and even in x-country, Rhines keeps showing up like a thorn in the side of the PC runners. Coach Treacy agreed that the talented Rhines has unfortunately "spaced" the show on several occasions. This marks the second time that McMahon has broken a record, only to have her new record broken right back. This only proves the star status of McMahon. In the distance medley, the women came in 9th. The quartet was picked for a 3rd place finish, but their stock fell with the absence of the injured Rudolph.

On the men's side, Mark Carroll proved once again that he was "faster than a speeding bullet", capturing the 5000m with a 13:55.15 time. The distance mudley team also fared well. Picked for a last place finish, the squad jumped to 9th place. The team had a time of 9:48.30.

The outdoor season begins this week when the teams travel to Williamsburg to race in the Colonial Relays.


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Riding a 10 game winning streak, the Friar baseball team has taken back some heat from their southern swing. PC's torrid 20-4 start even makes one wonder why they needed spring training in the first place.

"The pitching's been flat out outstanding," said head coach Paul Kostacopoulos, referring to the staff's 2.40 earned run average, an oddity for aluminum laden college baseball. The Friars started their outstanding play by winning 8 of 10 games on a traditionally difficult Florida trip. This trend continued in Tuesday's 15-4 victory over the University of Rhode Island and yesterday's 13-4 win versus the University of Central Connecticut. Sophomore starter Ryan Ricciardi surrendered only one earned run in 6 1/3 innings, serving up a lot of grounders and fly balls to the Blue Devils.

When Ricciardi got into trouble, Todd Incastalopo relieved him in a seventh inning bases loaded situation. After walking the first two batters he faced, the freshman hurler settled down to help clinch the victory.

The Friar bats also displayed some pop. Holding onto a precarious 6-4 lead in the seventh inning, Scott Palmsen's perfectly executed bunt single set up Pete Tucci's 2 RBI hit. Junior Catcher Bob O'Toole added a two-run homer in the eighth. Junior shortstop John McDonald paced the Friars in the URI blowout with a grand slam.

The Friars also got off to an excellent start in Big East Conference play. Completing a weekend sweep of Boston College with Sunday's 15-5 thrashing, Corey Bike, T.J. Delvecchio, and Tucci homered, while Mike Mccone threw seven steady innings. On Saturday, sophomore Jim O'Brien threw a one-hit, 8-0 shutout. Delvecchio has assumed the mantle of team leader for his senior year thus far posting a .375 batting average. He's a solid, consistent, performer at a high level," added Kostacopoulos. More importantly, the senior leader has knocked in 27 runs. "I'm really just trying to win ballgames," quipped the third baseman. Ryan Kinski and O'Toole have also helped hot bats this spring.

**Red Hot**

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