

But, Why So Expensive?

by Christina Burgmyer '96
News Writer

Selling back college text books is a touchy subject with most PC students, and with the end of the semester upon us, it will soon be that time of year again. The question has to be asked, "Why are books so expensive?"

When the question was presented to the Barnes and Noble bookstore, here on campus, the response was, "We do not mark up the prices of the books we sell. Students think that we are out to get them, but we're not. The publishing company gives us the price, and that is what we will sell it for. We realize how expensive it is, so we try to buy as many used books as possible."

It seems that the direct blame for the high prices goes to the publishers. The publishers mark up the prices in order to give the bookstores, who buy their books, a percentage of the profit. The store also uses these prices to determine how much the books are worth during buy back week. The store takes the

publishers current price and gives the student half that amount. Then at the beginning of the next semester the used books are sold at 75% of it's current price. If this is true than the bookstore is making a profit of about 25% on used books. The bookstore, like the student, is at the mercy of the publisher. Regardless of who is to blame everyone makes out in the end except for the students, who will still feel as if they

three stores. However, two books were found in the Brown and PC Bookstores. Oddly enough, they were the *New American Bible* and the famous *Norton Anthologies* that are used for literature in most Civ classes. The cost of the Bible was the same, at \$9.99. However, the *Norton Anthologies* were roughly two dollars less at PC. There is some comfort in knowing that we are not the only ones who deal with

high prices.

Finally, the bookstore on-campus was compared to the one off-campus. Because it was towards the end of the semester, the only books available were used and therefore no



A PC Student checking out the prices of books in the PC Bookstore.

by Mike Carriere

are being over-charged.

Although over-pricing has become almost a fact of life, one must put things into perspective. Recently a small study was done to see if PC students were being over-charged, and the result was some what of a surprise. Three stores were compared. They were the Brown Bookstore, the PC Bookstore, and the Off-Campus Bookstore. Of the books compared, there was no textbook found in all

prices could be directly compared. When questioned, the owner of the Off-Campus store stated, "My prices have to be less expensive or there would be no reason for the students to come off-campus. I am not Barnes and Noble trying to make a million dollars, but only a small business man trying to make a living."

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Where's Louie?

by Renet M.A. Ladocsi '96
News Writer

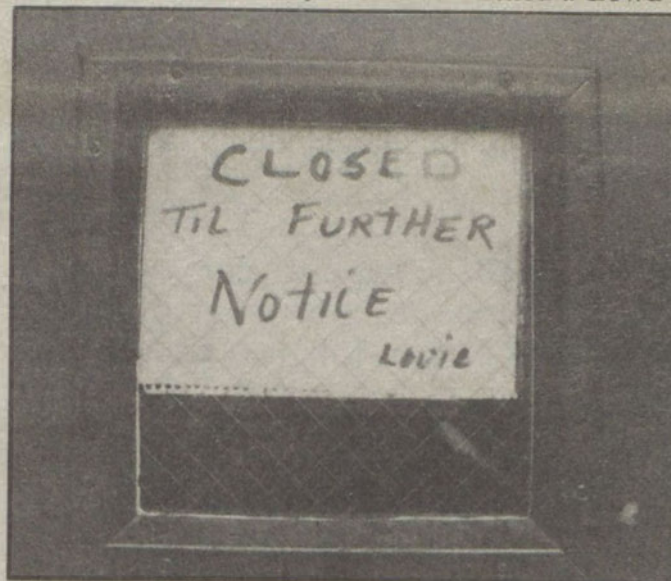
The Cowl would like to clarify certain events that occurred at Eagle Square this weekend. Twenty people were not arrested at Louie's Tap last Friday, and Louie is not in the slammer! Every weekend Providence College students hear more crazy stories about the events that take place at our favorite off-campus haunts, but last weekend seemed to cause an exceptional degree of concern to the students.

The first rumor was that there had been a raid at Louie's on Friday night. That did not seem like any-

Rev. Stuart McPhail, O.P., Vice President of Student Services, had no knowledge of any activities at the well-known pub this weekend.

The only truth in all of this is that Louie's is closed. This is due to the fact that his liquor license has expired and he has not had it renewed yet. Louie's is not closed because he was arrested.

The events on Friday night were nothing out of the ordinary. As a routine patrolman surveyed the Eagle Park area, he noticed a large mass of people loitering outside of the bar. According to Sergeant LaPatin of the Providence Police Department, "The patrolman noticed a crowd of



Closed for good?

by Joe Razczynski

thing unusual until Saturday night. As students headed off-campus trying to decide where they were going to spend their evening, they realized that there was one less establishment they had to choose from. Louie's was CLOSED. The actual sign reads "Closed til further notice -Louie".

between 50 and 70 people outside Louie's Tap". The officer called for back up, and then exited his patrol car to disperse the crowd. He then entered the establishment to speak with the owner.

The real commotion began when the officer entered
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Apartment Selection Close To Finish

by Theresa Edo '96
Asst. News Editor

As we draw to the close of the semester we are also reaching the final days of the on-campus apartment selection process. The system, which was implemented this year, was designed to alleviate the long lines and headaches of the old ways for rising upper-classmen to choose their future housing. So far, the Office of Residence Life has not encountered any major problems with the new system.

According to Dr. Leonard Roberts, Director of Residence Life, as of right now, the office does not foresee the need for sophomores to

live off-campus. Some spaces, however, are currently empty in the four-person apartments, and the office plans to re-advertise the open spots. If there are still unoccupied spaces after this they will most likely be saved for students returning from semesters abroad.

One of the former policies guaranteed students of a higher graduating year preference during the apartment selections. There had been some concern among students that the first-come, first-serve policy this year would end up ignoring seniors and catering to juniors. Also, students were required to apply for housing not in any number but specifically

in groups of four or six, with the office accepting incomplete applications at a later date. Dr. Roberts says that there have been no conflicts with these rules. There have been no major problems that have been brought to his attention.

Residence Life hopes that next year students will be familiar with the steps that need to be taken to secure a space in one of the college's five on-campus apartment buildings. Hopefully, students will discuss the necessary proceedings with their prospective roommates. Any problems that might happen to arise this year will be reviewed for next year.

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the psychology department, orders all his books from the Off-Campus bookstore. He stated that he had no antipathy towards Barnes and Noble, but that he liked to support small business men with families. He also stated, "The man who runs the Off-Campus store told me that he could buy and sell the books for students at a better rate and I believe him."

profit organization. The students in his class were able to buy their Bibles for three dollars. The organization according to Keegan has an objection to putting the Bible in the hands of people who want to make a profit off of it. Instead the organization wants to get the Bible to as many people it can at the lowest prices possible.

There is no question that

Regardless of who is to blame, everyone makes out in the end - except for the students.

Dr. Colby is not the only professor on campus who deals with other establishments. Father Keegan, who teaches New Testament Theology, purchased his Revised Standard Version of the Bible through the American Bible Society because it is a non-

books are expensive, but there does not seem to some relief from the burden. If students take the time, they might be able to get the book cheaper at the Off-Campus Store, but even then they do not seem cheap enough.

UPDATE: WOMEN WILL

Women will, an organization interested in women's issues, was granted Club Recognition by members of Student Congress on November 28, 1994. The group will hold its final meeting of the semester this Thursday to discuss future events such as Women's Celebration Day as well other pertinent information. The group looks forward to any new members and their input. Anyone interested in this new club, please contact Katie Griffiths at 861-1259.

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Residence Life Staff in the "Real World"

by Bro. Kevin Konecny, O.F.M.

The Boston Area College Housing Association (B.A.C.H.A.) held the Real World Consortium on Saturday, November 9, 1994 at the University of Massachusetts - Dartmouth. Housing 550+ participants and universities in the Boston area, this conference has become an annual event. Though prima-

rily an opportunity for resident assistants to receive training through attendance at conference sessions, the conference also afforded RA's the opportunity to network with RA's from other institutions.

The conference also provided professional development and networking opportunities for the Providence

College resident life professional staff members in attendance. Debra Guilbert, Assistant Director of Residence Life for staff training and development and Brother Kevin Konecny, O.F.M., spiritual programming assistance for residence life, co-represented "Become a Hall Director and Make a Career in Student Affairs a Part of Your Real World." In

addition, the following staff members were in attendance at the conference: Christine Goyette, Apartment Complex Director; Michael Janicki, Hall Director; and the following resident assistants: Julie Shea, Katie McKeown, Stephanie Belanger, Cara Rubino, Helena, Rodriguez, Chris Stanley, Jason Connors, and Katie Adams.



PC staff members at the Real World Consortium

courtesy of Bro. Kevin

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the bar. "As the officer stepped inside, he heard yelling, and saw cups being thrown along with bottles being dropped to the ground. When the crowd observed the officer they stampeded to the door trying to exit the building." No arrests were made, although many false IDs were confiscated. An exact number was not given.

Louie could not be reached for comment.

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What's Going On With Balfour?

by Judith Colonna '95
News Writer
NewsLetter

This year, for the first time ever, the Balfour Center is launching their own newsletter entitled: *The Multicultural Affairs Newsletter*, edited by Desiree Washington, and assisted by Joaquin Fonte, it will cover numerous accomplishments of involved students, and announce plans for upcoming activities.

Unfortunately, since this is a new project for Balfour, the Center only has a short supply of copies and will be restricted in distributing the newsletter to parents, club presidents, department heads, and various community centers. They hope, when the second newsletter comes out in January, there will be a larger number available, giving everyone the opportunity to enjoy it.

Publishing News

Also this year, a new

multicultural cookbook, recently named *The Global Gourmet*, is being published by Balfour. Comprised of recipes gathered over the summer and from faculty and students, the book has a two-fold purpose:

1. Help raise money for club members and the various programs.

2. Create an opportunity for everyone to share something from their own culture with other people.

Put your orders in as soon as possible. The books make great Christmas presents, and are being offered at a reasonable price.

Exchange Opportunity

Though not widely known, PC offers an exchange opportunity with Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina. The program is open to students of all races and ethnicities, and

is designed to broaden the academic and social experiences of a PC student. The institution is an independent, predominantly black, private, liberal arts college. The campus, comprised of 46 buildings - roughly 6 more than PC - hosts a variety of major programs: biology, business, computer science, economics, education, English, health education, history, liberal arts, combined-plan engineering, mathematics-physics, musical, political-science, psychology, social science, social work, sociology, and others.

In order to be accepted into the program, one must have achieved a 3.0 or higher G.P.A. in the semester prior to application for the program (the second semester of sophomore year). Students interested, contact the Dean of Multicultural Affairs, Dean Comissiong, and express your interest. Students are advised not to hesitate in expressing an interest!

What's Up?

An interdisciplinary elective course was approved allowing the intensive development of specific women's History topics not covered in depth in current course offerings. The course should include consideration of theoretical and empirical work on the history of women. The specific topics will vary. This course was passed without any votes.

The Natural Science Core Requirement for Students majoring in Mathematics-Education and Computer Science will be the same as the Natural Science requirement for other majors. This bill rescinds the current requirement that these majors must take laboratory science course to fulfill their Natural Science requirement.

The Faculty Senate approved a minor in Studio Art. Students electing a minor need to complete three foundation courses, one studio elective and three courses from either Ceramics, Drawing, Painting, Photography, Printmaking or Sculpture.

Christmas in April Celebration

by Mary M. Shaffrey '97
News Writer

Christmas is only 17 days away. Presents need to be bought, decorations need to be put up, not to mention those dreaded exams next week (without a reading period), but this is December and it just comes with the season. So what is Christmas in April, and why did they sponsor a breakfast last Wednesday?

Christmas in April is a national organization that brings businesses and organizations together to donate time and supplies in order to fix up the homes of low income, elderly, or disabled neighbors within the community. The foundation began in 1973 in Midland Texas, and has since spread to over a 100 chapters throughout the country.

Last year, the Providence College President's Council brought Christmas in April to Rhode Island. It recruited 35 Rhode Island and Massachusetts businesses and organizations to help make the program a reality. Over \$100,000 was donated to the project, and on April 30, over 300 volunteers renovated 2 homes in the Elmhurst neighborhood, painted a school gym, cleaned nine city lots, swept six city streets

and planted flowers at twenty-four neighborhood locations.

The brunch on November 30 was held to honor those who worked hard on the project, and to lay the groundwork for Christmas in April 1995, scheduled for April 29.

Patty Johnson, President of the National Christmas in April foundation came from the headquarters in Washington D.C. to address the group, which included representatives from the various organizations and schools, volunteers and stu-

dents who participated in the program last year.

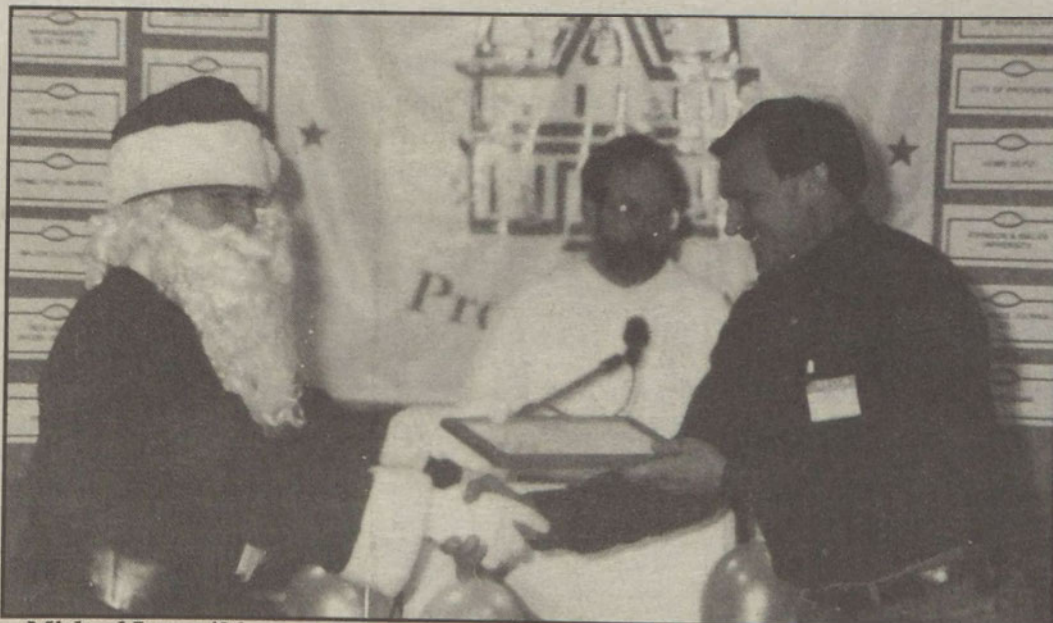
In Johnson's opening remarks she stated how pleased she was to be at PC. "This is one place people can come now a days where 'PC' doesn't mean politically correct, rather it means all of you coming together to help those in your community who are less fortunate."

Later during the breakfast, after a video of last years event was shown, Louise Mauro, the program director recognized three PC students for their help in the event, Kristen Gallagher '95,

Bridget McMeel '95, and Bill Meehan '96.

Gallagher stated that the event last year was like a 'blitzkrieg' on the homes of the less fortunate and that the day was a huge success.

The Providence Chapter, which is the first collegiate chapter nationwide, also includes Brown, Johnson & Wales, and RISD. Marrow suggested that students interested in helping out for the next Christmas in April should start looking for prospective sites, and to contact the program at ext. 1888.



Michael James '96 presents an appreciation award to those who helped with the 1994 Christmas in April

photo by Mike Carriere

A Short News Commentary

by Bridget Hughes '96
and
Theresa Edo '96

Have you ever noticed that there is no elevator in Slavin Center? Have you ever counted how many sets of stairs lead to and from the buildings on campus? Have you ever felt the strain of a heavy door trying to enter a building? Even when taking the shuttle, it is still not easily accessible and very time consuming. Have you ever thought about how difficult it is to get around campus when you are not physically fit?

These things just don't affect someone severely handicapped, but also someone who has difficulty getting around due to other factors such as those people on crutches, those who are older or those with a muscular ailment. Even the most active students can get winded walking to the fourth floor of Harkins Hall and Feinstein Center.

This problem is serious, yet not many students or faculty think about it regularly. The solution does not have to involve a drastic renovation. Something as simple as a few ramps or automatic doors could alleviate the problem.

The fact that this campus is not very user-friendly could seem daunting to perspective students and to perspective employees. Perhaps the college will take this into account in the future.

News

The Outside World

by Theresa Edo '96
Asst. News Editor

DOCTOR MURDERER SENTENCED

The killer of abortion doctor, Paul Hill, had nothing to say when he was sentenced yesterday in Pensacola to die in Florida's electric chair for murdering the doctor, John Bayard Britton, and escort, James Barrett, outside of an abortion clinic. Hill was sentenced last week in Federal court to life in prison without parole for violating the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act.

Bruce Barrett, the son of James Barrett was pleased and said, "I think it's real important that the state showed that this kind of violence is not going to be condoned."

The decision will automatically be reviewed by the Florida Supreme Court, as all in-state death sentences are. During the trial he acted as his own lawyer, offered no evidence, and called no witnesses.

PHONY FRIEND

William L. Hubbell, a trusted friend of Bill Clinton, former law partner of Hilary Rodham Clinton, and formerly the White House liaison to the Justice Department conceded in court yesterday that he stole more than \$394,000 from his law

partners and former clients, including the Federal Government, before taking on his position in Washington, D.C. last year.

In a federal district court in Little Rock, Ark., Hubbell said, "I want this court to know that I take full responsibility for my actions and accept the full and complete consequences for them, which are substantial."

Hubbell pleaded guilty to two felony counts of mail fraud and tax evasion. He admitted that from 1989 to 1992 that he submitted bills to cover personal expenses on more than 400 occasions. He also failed to report this income properly so as to pay taxes on it, including the year 1992 while serving as one of the nation's top law enforcement officials.

BACK TO THE FUTURE

A deadly, radioactive substance, plutonium, has been discovered at 13 American nuclear weapons plants around the country. These thousands of containers could rupture and spill the dangerous substance before they are properly disposed of. The 26 metric tons in liquids, solids, and powders were left over when production of nuclear arms materials was abruptly stopped in the late 1980's, said the Department of Energy on Tuesday.



"Over all the department's inventory of plutonium presents significant hazards to workers, the public, and environment, and little progress has been made to aggressively address the problem," said the Energy Department report.

The containers were originally meant for temporary storage. The Department is still working on plans to repackage the material and said it may take 10 to 20 years to find a long-term solution to the storage and disposal problems.

REAL MOST WANTED

Two of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's 10 Most-Wanted fugitives surrendered yesterday after nine years on the run on charges that they plotted a helicopter prison break for the reputed head of the Puerto Rican separatist group FALN.

Claude Daniel Marks and Donna Jean Willmott have been negotiating a surrender with the authorities for approximately one year, United States Attorney James Burns said.

Compiled from the New York Times

Disciplinary Measures

A judicial hearing was conducted on November 8 to review the charge of violation of conduct established by Providence College (Handbook, p.37, #8). A summons was issued by the police because the party sponsored by the involved two students was loud.

The students were found guilty of the charge, second offense of the alcohol policy. They each received a fine of \$25 and disciplinary probation for one semester, the spring term.

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Getting To Know Mr. Feinstein

by Erin Piorek '96
News Writer

Feinstein's good deeds cross Rhode Island and his donation to a new public service program here at PC has made this multimillionaire a legend. But no one really knows where he came from or how he earned his money.

Alan Shawn Feinstein grew up in Boston, Massachusetts. After college, he

do unto you." The book was relatively unsuccessful.

Not knowing what to do next, Feinstein continued to teach school and he also wrote for a newspaper advice column. Then, in 1973, he decided to create a newsletter that pitched financial tips and investment opportunities. He was sure that this would be the key to his success. But it wouldn't be easy. He was entering an in-

lege tuition for promising Rhode Island students, and buy food for a Smith Hill soup kitchen. Back in 1983, Feinstein saved the Smith Hill shelter with a \$10,000 donation, and has continued to provide funding.

Feinstein also gave \$10,000 to start the Alan Shawn Feinstein Infant Day Care Center in Providence. A Youth Hunger Brigade and a "good deeds" pro-

schools that receive Feinstein grants for community-service programs in Rhode Island as well.

Those entrusted with wealth, Feinstein believes, should feel a responsibility to use it to the benefit of society. He insists that his name accompany his donations because he does not want to go unrecognized for his good deeds. In fact, he

seeks credit for his philanthropy. Why? He says it is so that his children will understand the responsibilities they have inherited. Feinstein wants to be remembered not for being a multimillionaire, but for having made a difference. Well, Feinstein has become Rhode Island's ubiquitous benefactor, so he won't soon be forgotten.

Feinstein wants to be remembered not for being a multi-millionaire, but for having made a difference.

worked as a junior advertising executive and wrote promotions for a Boston shoe firm. He then returned to college for a master's degree in education. From there, he taught grade school, promoted beauty pageants, and drafted a novel. In 1960, a Boston firm published his novel, *Triumph*. Writing this book helped Feinstein to develop his personal theology to live by: "Do unto others as you would want others to

do unto you." The book was relatively unsuccessful. After a few struggles and bad publicity, Feinstein soon became the leader of the direct-mail industry.

Feinstein has raised and spent millions of dollars for the state of Rhode Island. Last year, over 200 schools, churches, and community centers stretching across the state received "Feinstein" money. He has used his money to provide day care in Washington Park, pay col-

lege tuition for promising Rhode Island students, and buy food for a Smith Hill soup kitchen. Back in 1983, Feinstein saved the Smith Hill shelter with a \$10,000 donation, and has continued to provide funding. Feinstein also gave \$10,000 to start the Alan Shawn Feinstein Infant Day Care Center in Providence. A Youth Hunger Brigade and a "good deeds" pro-

Resting In Peace

Many students have recently been boggled over the renovation of the Dominican cemetery next to Moore Hall. The idea that someone might tamper with one of the more unique features of PC's campus leaves many feeling unsettled. All should rest assured that the construction going on is much needed and will benefit the resting place for years to come.

According to John Tucciarone, the physical plant is putting in long footers under the crosses so

that the headstones will not slide down. Now as time passes and the earth begins to move, the stones will maintain their symmetry. This was done because the old supports were not aligned properly, consequently, the stones had begun to lean or even sink.

Fr. Robb explained that none of the final resting places of any of the Friars have been disturbed. The project is being funded by the Dominican community.



The tombstones rest peacefully while ground work is completed in the cemetery.

by Mike Carriere

REMINDER:

Christmas break is an opportune time for houses to be robbed and ransacked.

Please remember to lock all of your doors and windows before you leave.

Also, take any valuables with you (i.e. televisions, CD players and stereos).

If anybody needs a place to store belongings, please contact the Office of Student Services or call x2143.

I would like to publicly congratulate the newest additions to *The Cowl* staff.

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Also... Best wishes to the staff members going abroad:

Bridget Hughes, Christina Burgmyer, Renet Ladocsi and our law-school-bound graduate...Anthony Zupka

Congratulations and Good Luck

Kristen Gariepy '95

Editor-in-Chief

Commentary

PC In Need Of A Women's Studies Major

by Anthony R. Zupka
Lauren Varian

On Monday November 28, 1994, the Providence College Student Congress passed a resolution which acknowledged the validity of a new club called "Women Will." This marked the advent of a new era on this college's campus as after 24 years of co-educational instruction, an organization dedicated to the issues surrounding gender and society emerged.

Women Will has al-

ready booked speakers, arranged future activities, and planned events all with the goal of raising the PC community's understanding of issues facing women. This aim is not centered around a mythic or stereotypical hostility toward men, but with a hope that students and faculty of both genders will become informed together.

The existence of this type of organization is long over due at an institution which embraces multiculturalism, but it is not enough. Providence College needs to implement a

Women's Studies major and support those who are working to create one.

There are over 19 million American women suffering from eating disorders. Statistics claim that one in four women will be raped a one point in their lives. Spousal abuse cases are in an all time high, clogging courtrooms and are often costing women their lives.

These examples are a direct result of a socially constructed image of what females are supposed to be and what their place is in society. This construction is in-

sidious because most do not recognize it, let alone realize that they are contributing to its life. A Woman's Studies major is the first step towards educating men and women about the foundations of sexism.

Most collegiates have been indoctrinated from birth with the trappings of the modern greats: Locke, Rousseau, Mill, and Hobbes. These philosophers have directly influenced American culture and all of its dimensions; including gender relations. The curriculum of a Women's Stud-

ies program is far too complex to address in this forum, but it would present post-modernist views about culture and human nature and discuss how gender issues have evolved. This is an obvious beginning in any students quest for a gender aware education.

The adoption of Women Will is an admirable start for PC, but San Diego State University recently celebrated the 25th anniversary of their Women's Studies program. It is time for us to catch up.

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A Christmas Miracle For Bosnia

by Robert Mendes '96
Editorials Writer

Everyone should see the pictures.

A seven year old boy lay face down on the street, blood flowing from his head. Frantic efforts to save him are futile since he was obviously already dead. He was shot by a sniper.

This, of course, happened in Bosnia, that country that is now synonymous with war and too complicated for most to take time to think about. Serbs fighting Muslims, Croats fighting Serbs, Muslims fighting Serbs, it is all too much to understand or even consider a solution.

The picture tells the story though. The sniper was a Serbian soldier; the boy was a Muslim citizen of Bosnia. Christian Serbs (Whether they are Serbian Serbs, Bosnian Serbs, or Croatian Serbs, it doesn't matter) hate Muslims. They hate Muslims simply because they are Muslim and not Christian. The hatred has been going on for hundreds of years in that region.

Hating one's neighbor is certainly against every Christian principle, but apparently the Serbs have not progressed since the Thirty Year's War. The picture proves the hatred. How else can a soldier pick up a gun and fire it at an innocent boy? Hatred like that is scary.

Two other pictures tell the story of Serb hatred of Muslims. After the fall of Bihac (That's a Muslim enclave and U.N. designated "safe area" near the Croatian-Bosnian border), Serbs forced the captured Bosnian Muslims to chant "Bosnia is for the Serbs." They humiliated the Muslims rather than just defeated them. Another picture is even more disturbing. A Serb soldier forced a Muslim prisoner to wear a fez while he mocked the prisoner. The conqueror is obviously reveling in the prisoner's terror.

The United States, the European allies, the United Nations and NATO have all capitulated to the Serbs. No one can find an effective response to such evil. All efforts have failed. In fact, most of the time they cannot even agree on which

ineffective response they will pursue. (One response was to bomb a Serb runway without bombing the control tower or the planes on the runway. The runway was repaired in two days.) The new world order that defeated Iraq in 1991 is now in complete disarray.

Unfortunately, it is the Europeans who have balked at what would be the most effective response. In defense of the Clinton administration, they have pushed to lift the arms embargo. (Three years ago the U.N. imposed the embargo on the region hoping that without arms, there could be no war. The real effect however was to give the war to the Serbs since they were the only ones who already had enough arms to fight the war.) The arms embargo has punished the Muslims and caused more death and suffering than it has spared. The Clinton administration realizes the futility of the embargo, yet they have failed to convince the Europeans or the Russians. (The Russians feel a certain sympathy with the Serbs because both people are Slavs.) Their stubborn blindness is frustrating

to watch.

Lifting the embargo would ultimately bring peace to Bosnia. Admittedly, it would bring more war first which is exactly the intention. If the Muslims are just as well armed as the Serbs, the chances of winning the war will be almost even. The Serbs would start to suffer significant losses and worry that they may lose what they have fought to gain. At that point, the fear that they may lose will get the Serbs to peace talks which the U.S. could sponsor.

This solution is not the most idealistic approach to ending the war, but it would be effective and keep the U.S. out of the fighting, which nobody wants to see. Few people understand that foreign troops are not necessary since the Bosnian Muslims are perfectly capable of fighting the war themselves if the world would let them. Besides, the world is denying the Muslims their basic right to defend themselves.

The Europeans are against lifting the embargo because they are afraid it will enlarge the war. By enlarging the war, they have two things in mind. First,

there would be more killing because more guns would be fired. Second, it may draw neighboring countries like Croatia and Montenegro more directly into the fighting. The Europeans are mistaken. The killing would probably and regrettably increase in the short term, then decrease as the Serbs get drawn to peace talks. If the status quo is preserved, the killing will go on indefinitely until one side is completely slaughtered. The Europeans are also blind to the fact that Croatia has said that they will declare war on Serbia if their dream of a greater Serbia is realized. The war will enlarge anyway. It is once again time for the U.S. to lead and the Europeans to follow.

The three pictures show the real problem that politicians cannot solve. Serbs have to overcome hatred of their neighbors. Maybe there will be a miracle this Christmas and the Serbs will be inspired to love their neighbors as Christ commanded all Christians to do.

Commentary

School Prayer is about Politics, not God

by Vera Schomer '96
Editorial Writer

As President Clinton and the new Republican leadership in Congress, headed by Newt Gingrich, consider measures to return organized prayer to public schools, we must remember that it was found to be unconstitutional for a reason, and that we don't need it. Furthermore we must recognize that the motives involved are about politics, not God.

The Constitution forbids the establishment of religion by government. The separation of church and state was established by the courts interpreting the First Amendment's Establishment Clause. That clause was put in the Constitution to prevent the type of religious persecution that occurred in Europe which many colonists came here to escape. The push for organized prayer is simply eroding the separation of church and state, and it infringes on the rights of those of differ-

ent faiths or who have no faith.

Consider impressionable school children who are particularly vulnerable to the majority's ideas and practices. Won't they be ridiculed if they don't bow their heads or say Amen? What if they finish with the sign of the cross when all of their classmates are Protestant? Even worse, what if they get down on their knees to worship Allah in homeroom? Most teachers are not trained to handle differing religious views, and parents should not have to explain to their children why they are different and why that is OK. Simply put, the Constitution guarantees the right not to be coerced in any way.

Unfortunately, despite a Supreme Court ruling 32 years ago that classroom prayer and scripture reading are unconstitutional even if they are voluntary, prayer is increasingly a part of school activities. The most common forms are state mandated moments of silence in states such as Alabama, Arkansas,

Georgia, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Other states, such as Massachusetts and New York, allow moments of silence but don't enforce them. Proponents say the laws provide a moment of reflection and calm at the beginning of a school day. However, there is the possibility that they could be abused.

For example, a principal in Mississippi was dismissed for allowing students to read prayers over the intercom. In the South, religious clubs, prayer groups and pro-prayer students and community groups are making religion and prayer part of the school day. The American Center for Law and Justice, founded by Pat Robertson, estimates that 12,000 Bible clubs are operating in U.S. public schools.

This leads us to the argument that prayer in school is simply not necessary. Some say it is needed to counterbalance the violence and lack of values that they see in society. However, religion is taught in the home

and in churches, and that seems to be enough. Consider that 63 percent of America's population has church membership, and this figure is rising. 25 million of our children go to Sunday school. Another 5.4 million go to private or parochial schools that teach religion. Studies show that more people are believing in God and that, if anything, religious values have grown stronger in recent years.

To complicate the prayer issue, there are at least 100 religions practiced in the U.S. and 360,000 church structures. So what form of prayer would prevail? From the looks of our government, I would guess Protestantism, but that's not ethical or fair.

This fight for school prayer by Republicans clearly contradicts their notion of less government control being better. This is not a battle for religious values, it is a battle for Newt Gingrich's values. The fact that President Clinton is supporting an amendment that

would permit "voluntary" school prayer is even more appalling. It seems obvious that Clinton hopes this gesture will change public opinion about his lack of morality. But won't this raise concerns about lack of integrity?

In recent days, many Republican governors, senators and congressmen have shied away from Gingrich's proposal. Many religious leaders have said they will lobby against it. Perhaps they are concerned that it would merely be a stepping stone - a sign of things to come. Perhaps school children a few years down the road will chant in homeroom:

"Our father Newt who art in Congress, hallowed be thy chair. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, in the U.S. as it is in Georgia. Please take us off welfare and blame it on our dumb, lazy parents. And lead us not into Liberalism, but deliver us from Clinton. For thine is the White House, and the power and the glory forever... Amen."

Weld's Pay Increase, A Slap In The Face For Massachusetts

by Jamie Lantenin '97
Editorial Writer

We have all heard the anti-government cry of Newt Gingrich and his newly empowered republicans. Their condemnation of welfare and democratic social programs have echoed throughout the nation via Rush Limbaugh as well as state elected republicans. The echo must be out of earshot of Massachusetts, however, as republican Governor William Weld proposed a 55% pay increase for elected officials last week. The proposal was swiftly approved by the legislature in just two days.

This self-glorifying action by Massachusetts lawmakers in an economically troubled time is nauseating. Proposed cuts in social spending by republicans seek to substantially decrease badly needed supplements to the unemployed, which constitute 7% of the eligible workforce. Weld complains of lack of funds in the Treasury, and as a result has sought to privatize much of the state. He is privatizing the Department of Mental Health, sending hundreds of legally insane people onto the street. In order to help the supposedly depleted economy, Weld has proposed that five casinos be built across the state. (While this is entirely different issue,

it serves as evidence to the inability of the Massachusetts economy to handle a frivolous pay increase.)

Governor Weld is also responsible for deferring a cost of living increase to state employees - from janitors to administrators - throughout his term of office. His excuse has been lack of revenue and unnecessary increase beyond the current salary average. Weld evidently considers elected officials superior to the non-elected ones. He is not concerned with seniority; many of the people who will get the raise have only been employed by the state for a couple of years. Meanwhile, medical doctors, secretaries and janitors who have been employed for decades are not even getting raises to cover inflation.

It's not the actual raise I am concerned about; it is the outrageous amount of the raise and the context in which it was approved. Massachusetts schools just recently concluded a study which found that 60% of public school students read with below average comprehension. Surely, this is some signal of a problem. The money used for the pay raise is greatly needed by the schools. While schools are decaying, teachers are being laid off and books are outdated, Weld is giving 200 elected officials an extra \$15,000 (probably in ex-

change for support of his 1996 campaign for President.) A modest raise of four or five percent would not have seemed as ridiculous. The majority of people live comfortably off the same salary which Massachusetts legislators receive, and partake in more respected professions.

In the same week that Weld proposed this \$3.2 million dollar unnecessary imposition on the annual budget, he managed to submit legislation that would limit funding for homeless shelters. The legislation would effectively evict 65% of homeless people in Massachusetts from shelters by changing the definition of homelessness. I can't think of a more revolting combination of budget proposals than the two proposed by the Governor.

The proposed pay raise is testament to the audaciousness of the Great and General Court of Massachusetts and the tyrannical attitude of Governor Weld. If this is the type of spending Newt Gingrich and the nation's Republicans have in mind, then we will quickly see the demise of our government. When lawmakers can vote themselves outrageous pay raises and pass legislation that will knowingly hurt the underprivileged, then their government has no purpose.

Zupka's Adieu

When the end of any period in a person's life arrives, it offers a chance for introspection, and analysis. Did I do things right? Could I have accomplished more? What kind of legacy do I leave in my wake? As I prepare to leave PC, I would answer the first two questions: "Yes" and "I don't think so." As for a footprint, I hope my writing in *The Cowl*, my efforts in class, and the residence halls speak for themselves.

However, there is one last comment from this patriot, Democrat, sailor, and ex-punker: Every human being has the right to do what they want to, as long as they aren't hurting anyone else. As Emperor Gingrich ascends to the mount, I challenge every single PC student, faculty member, and administrator to listen to their conscience, and follow their hearts, no matter the consequences. Having integrity doesn't just mean telling the truth, it also means being true to yourself. The words below echo this sentiment. Don't wait for Halloween.

So it's Halloween.
And you feel like dancing,
and you feel like shining,
and you feel like lettin' loose.

So whatcha gonna be?
Man you'd better know,
and you better plan,
you better plan all day.
Better plan all week.
Better plan all month.
Better plan all year.

You're dressed up like a clown,
Putting on your act.
It's the only time all year
you'll ever admit that.

Because you're hiding in a mask.
You take your fun seriously.
But don't fall into a trance,
tomorrow your mold goes back on.
After Halloween.

Go to school today,
Go to school tomorrow.
Drunk again tonight,
You'll brag about it for months.
Remember what I did?
Remember what I was,
back on Halloween?

But what's in between?
Where are your ideals?
You sit around and dream,
for next Halloween.

Why not every day?
Are you so afraid?
What will people say?
After Halloween.

Because your roll is planned for you.
There is nothing you can do.
Just stop and think.

What will your Mom say to you?
What will your girlfriend say to you?
And the people out on the street,
they might stare at you.

Well what do you know,
you're pretty self-conscious too.
So you run back and stuff yourself
into rigid social costumes.
Only at night to score is your leather uniform exhumed.

Why don't you take your social regulations,
and shove 'em up your ---
by Jello Biafra

Commentary

Christmas: Presence Not Presents

by John J. Olohan '95
Editorial Writer

Christmas is the greatest time of the year. We all come from different backgrounds and we have different family arrangements: "What is won is won, what is done is done, and what is lost is lost and gone forever." We must strive for the ideal family life. None of us can reach the ideal because if we did we would reach perfection. But through our efforts of making our families the best we can, comes happiness like nothing else in this world. Christmas is about that happiness. We must grab hold of it right now and let it become part of our persons, because if we don't, we are cheating ourselves out of true happiness. It doesn't cost anything; it just requires effort.

The Christmas season is about the anticipation of the birth of Jesus, who later died on the cross for us. Christ had nails put through his hands and feet because we think we are too cool/important to be nice to the freshman, the janitor, the McDonald's employee, the gas station attendant, and the sales clerk. Anyone who thinks that they are better because they are higher on the socioeconomic ladder is a loser period. As long as a person works as hard as they can with their God-given ability, that person should be treated in the same way one would treat a king.

Christmas is not about Santa Claus. Santa Claus is the idol of corporate America. People obviously don't realize the amount of satisfaction that they can get from their fellow human beings. The smiles and joy

that comes from watching a new born baby or from a good conversation cannot be purchased.

Money runs people's lives when it shouldn't. Christ had no money throughout his life and He has had an impact on every human being, one way or the other. Billionaire Ross egomaniac Perot couldn't even get 20% of voting America to follow him and he is a billionaire. Christ didn't have a penny to his name and the majority of the world worships him and follows him.

It is amazing how much truth is worth. If you speak the truth you may hurt people in the short run but in the long run you will be thanked.

Come December 25, every loose end should be tied up. We all need to forgive the person that hurt us and we must say sorry to

those that we have hurt. People carry grudges and it is wrong. It burns people up with hatred. Hatred doesn't do anyone any good at all no matter how you look at it. We shouldn't even hate Bill Clinton and his husband Hillary, I mean wife Hillary.

Life is so much better when you realize how great it is to be alive and that we are lucky to be alive. A person can only be truly happy if they love their family, their God, and they treat other people the way they want to be treated themselves. If a person lacks any of the above, they aren't truly happy.

Mary, the Mother of God, was fourteen years old, unwed, and pregnant with Christ. Mary's pregnancy would have been called "unwanted" by her "friends" and peers in the nineties. It is very fortunate for us that Mary did bring her baby into

the world. People like Mary who value human life from the moment of conception to natural death have a greater appreciation for the simple things in life; and that is what makes their lives more full.

This Christmas should be the greatest of all because everything, when done correctly, gets better with age. If we focused less on material presents and more on our personal presence with our families, Christmas of 1995 will be the greatest ever.

A perfect example of the Christmas spirit is Amy Cacciola '95 and Karen Shaheen '95 here at Providence College.

One last sound million dollar Olohanism for the year 1994: Why settle for the moon when you can have the stars?

Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Communist WDOM

To the Editor:

They say they want to be different. They say they welcome creativity. They say they want you to have your own show. Thus, one would assume what they say, goes, and it does ... either on or off the air.

The purpose of this editorial is not to "bad-mouth" anyone or put down Providence College's radio station, WDOM. Instead, this exercise of free speech is to make everyone aware of an injustice that occurred on PC's campus. Earlier this semester, a radio show was promised to us on Monday afternoons from 12:30-2:30 p.m. Now granted, we knew this wasn't "prime time" - because prime time (6-2 a.m.) is saved for friends and staff, but considering for the past two years we were given times at 4 and 3 o'clock in the morning, we were excited for this opportunity. Upon receiving the time slot, we were told we could play our own show and that creativity was welcomed and encouraged. Thus, we aired our regular show, ranging from the late '60's - 70's (songs from our youth) - a.k.a. "Lite DOM."

Everything for Lite DOM was going well; people were calling, we had personal love requests, our specialty, and everyone was happy. Until one week, the phone rang and there wasn't a "happy camper" on the other line.

"What do you think you're doing? Your show is

cute and all, but stop it! Why are you playing this crap?"

Well excuse us for having a creative bone in our bodies; excuse us for trying to put a little variety on the air, making DOM unlike any other college radio station; excuse us for attracting listeners and getting compliments on and around campus- we didn't know that the goal of DOM was not to get a variety of listeners!



So, we were told only a "few select" would be listening, and that those people weren't the crowd DOM wanted to attract. The crowd DOM wants to attract is the "alternative" crowd - that's why they want to be an "alternative rock station." Well, IDENTITY CHECK - what category does The Grateful Dead, Phish, R&B, blues/jazz, heavy metal, and early '80's music, no offense to our fellow "alternatives" to alternative, fall under? The last time we checked, or

looked in a "rock-n-roll dictionary," none of the above are "alternative," you know, like the Meat Puppies, Ned's Atomic Dustbin, Lemonheads, etc... But I guess one has to be a general manager of a radio station, or something, to make that distinction. And the last time we checked the "attraction-meter," not every type of listener is attracted to those variations of music. But wait-that can't be! If it were true, why, then, wouldn't those

shows be playing music that only a "few select" would be listening to, making them "not the crowd that DOM wants to attract," and causing their shows to be terminated like ours? Nah- couldn't be.

The question to ask now is "What's the big deal about two hours a week?" Are they afraid that they just might like the music we're playing? Are they afraid that listeners may request to hear our music more than once a week? Or are they afraid that two other people may be-

come better liked, more popular, or more listened to than other people? Who knows the answers to these questions? All we know is that we were told to only play the new, never heard of music - or else we'd "jeopardize our show." Of course, if we gave them a demo-tape of our show for "approval" before we aired, then maybe we'd be able to play some variations of our show, like "light alternative" music (i.e. The Cranberries, Devo, Talking Heads, etc...) But since we didn't do that (because we weren't informed to), we were stuck playing never heard of music (you know, just like the Dead, Phish, R&B, etc.....).

So now what about us? We've been stripped of our personality; raped of our integrity (to some point); and penalized for our character. Now some may think we're the ones who have suffered through all of this, and they're right. We are no longer allowed to communicate with people and express ourselves freely over the radio. Whatever happened to a diversified society? In any case, we know that it's not only our loss, but WDOM's too. The only thing they will be known for this year is that they are not WBRU, and that they play the same music over, and over, and over, and over ...

Jennifer Chisholm '95
Judith Colonna '95

To The Editor:

There is a rich irony in the indignant letter by my colleague, Forrest Gander, in the Nov. 17, Cowl: he unwittingly helped Roger Kimball make his case about certain stances and methods used in some academic quarters.

For Professor Gander to flip epithets like "smug," "blindly obsessed," and "pure paranoid" at a speaker who, whatever one may think of his position, remained composed and reasonable, is to perform a disservice to the cause of serious intellectual discussion. Kimball explicitly said that there is racism in America; then why imply that he denies it? When Kimball said that "color-blind justice is the bedrock of our society," surely Professor Gander knew that the context of the remark referred to an American ideal which none but the racist, white or black, could attack. And I never heard Kimball use the word "enemies," let alone "legions" of them, about those with whom he disagrees.

But most disquieting was Professor Gander's closing sentence: "the smoke from Auschwitz curls toward heaven." To imply, however poetically, that views like Kimball's smack of Nazism and the Holocaust, is a grievous lapse of logic at best, and hits far below the belt at worst. After all, how would Professor Gander take it if someone said that his views felt like a cold draft from the Gulag?

Charles Duffy
Dept. of English

Commentary

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

The success of the Blackfriar's Theater production of *Meet Me in St. Louis* during its November run was very impressive. For eight out of nine shows the theater was filled to capacity—the exception being Sunday, November 20th's performance. For this final performance, the theater department offered their first, and probably last, Family, Faculty, and Staff Day performance.

Family, Faculty, and Staff Day was an opportunity for the employees of Providence College and their families to attend the Blackfriar's production of *Meet Me in St. Louis* free of charge. A memorandum that explained the event was sent out to all P.C. employees. The response to the memo was overwhelming, as the tickets sold out in a matter of days for the performance.

As a result of the quick sellout, many faculty and staff, as well as paying students and outside visitors were not able to attend the sold out performance. The Blackfriar's box office staff had to turn away over seventy-five people who wanted to attend the show. Furthermore, the box office staff went out of their way to provide complementary tickets for as many faculty and staff as possible. There were many patrons who expressed sincere thanks to the

box office for their efforts. There were others, however, that directed bitterness towards the box office staff over the unavailability of tickets.

On the day of the show, a show that sold out two weeks prior to the performance, there was a void in the theater. For eight shows prior, the theater had been packed. However, that was not the case on this day. A large percentage of the faculty and the staff that had been given complementary tickets failed to show up. Forty-one of the complementary tickets that had been picked up prior to the day of the show were unaccounted for. Twenty-seven complementary tickets that were on reserve for the show were not picked up. In total, there were sixty-eight seats left in the theater left by non-paying faculty and staff members.

The reasons why there were sixty-eight empty seats in the theater are unclear. The reality of the situation is this: the cast and crew of *Meet Me in St. Louis* had been working night in and night out since September to bring this production to the stage. Those faculty and staff members who were lucky enough to have received complementary tickets were rude to have not come, or at least canceled their reservations. It was a slap in the face to all those

involved in the production and inconsiderate to those who were unable to obtain tickets.

Meet Me in St. Louis was a wonderful production. Those who saw as performance received an early Christmas present. It is unfortunate though, that everyone who wished to see the show was denied the opportunity. Congratulations to all those who were involved in the production, and thanks to all those who supported it.

F. Michael Scafati '96

To The Editor:

The evening of November 8 was a bad night to be pro-choice.

You won't read about it in the papers, but this great election victory for Republicans was also a great victory for the right to life cause, punching yet another hole in the pro-abortion argument.

Of the eight GOP Senate gains, seven were firmly pro-life and actively took on the issue against their pro-choice challengers. In both the House and the Senate, not one pro-life incumbent of either party lost, and all pro-life incumbent Governors won. However, in the House, there were thirty pro-choice incumbents that were booted out by staunchly pro-life challengers. In Pennsylvania, an underfinanced third party candidate for Governor taking up the right to life banner against the pro-choice Republican and Democrat received thirteen percent of the vote.

Meanwhile, there were plenty of Republican challengers who did not have the courage to take a right to life position such as Mitt Romney in Massachusetts, Michael Huffington of California, and Kevin Vigilante of Rhode Island. They all failed to get elected.

These are the facts. And any talk of right to life being a losing position is rooted in myth. It always has been. Except for liberal regions, politicians who took this courageous position in this past election were rewarded with victory. In 1992, if George Bush had trumpeted the Right to Life message of the Houston convention instead of cowering from it, he would have congratulated his son George W. from the Oval Office.

Now, the American people, tired of this American disgrace, have sent brave politicians to do battle against Bill and Hillary's social agenda. A bad night for liberals, a bad night for pro-choicers. I feel their pain.

Chris Cummings
Graduate School

To The Editor:

Recently, my sister, a Providence College sophomore, was invited to Junior Ring Weekend (JRW). I watched her excitement about this event quickly turn to anxiousness and frustration as she and her date tried to arrange for transportation to, and accommodations in, Boston.

I'd like to ask whomever was in charge of planning this event why their responsibilities ended at selecting a facility for JRW? What happened to arranging for transportation for the attendees to the event since it was located 50 miles away from campus? What about making sure that there were available rooms for all the attendees rather than just those few who were fortunate enough to win the "lottery"?

I fail to understand how a junior class student activities advisor would not realize how difficult it would be for students to get somewhere that was 50 miles from campus. Nor do I understand how students would be allowed to attend a PC-sponsored event at which alcohol was present and not be offered an alternative way to get home. Buses should have been hired to take attendees to and from the event.

The counter-point to my above concern is, I realize, that students were en-

couraged to spend the night in Boston in order to attend brunch the following day and that room discounts were made available to them. The flaws in that plan were that rooms were not made available to everyone and, even with the discount, the rooms were still quite expensive at \$145 for the night.

I wonder how many couples that went to JRW drove back to Providence after a long night of festivities because they either couldn't find or couldn't afford a hotel room in Boston for the night. It was very negligent of PC to put students at such a risk. I'm truly disappointed that the Administration of Providence College displayed not only little concern for the financial situation of its students, but also such little disregard for their safety.

Ray Caloura
M.B.A., 1994

To The Editor:

I was saddened by the tone and content of "We Need Welfare Reform" (*Cowl*, 11-17-94). We do need welfare reform, but directed at opportunities to educate, train, and include in the economy the small percentage of the poor (5 million mothers, 9 million children, and no men) who are living at two thirds the federal poverty level on AFDC. Men are not eligible for AFDC. A recent study published in the *New York Times* dispels the myth that "many" women do not try to get off AFDC. The stereotype of "The Welfare System" is not AFDC as the media portrays. The bulk of the federal budget is for defense and entitlements not described as "Welfare": Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid. The largest percentage of Medicaid is spent on ordinary, often middle class Americans who live long enough to experience the impoverishment of nursing home care.

Aside from fact vs. misinformation on taxes, the reason for past federal debt, and actual spending on welfare, is the unfortunate and un-Christian tone about the women and children on welfare. There is a long history of blaming the victims, believing they are lazy and do not want to work rather than lacking opportunity to be included in the economy. There is also history that anyone in the 19th or 20th century who has actually met the poor or has tried face to face to help them, has ceased to hold these belief systems of blame.

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IV. The staff respectfully requests that all articles contain no personal attacks.

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A & E

Seafood Heaven Pungent Melodies

by Mark Cybulski
A&E Editor

Good seafood at a fair price is hard to come by these days. Going out for seafood can be damaging to your wallet and can leave you wanting more than what you paid for. Carrie's Seafood Pasta & More, located on 1035 Douglas Avenue, avoids both of these shortcomings. With an

Dining Out

extensive seafood menu along with standard shore favorites, Carrie's gives you both quantity and quality at a price you can afford.

Carrie's has a friendly, casual dining atmosphere. The walls are covered with pictures of oceanic scenes and plaques commemorating the awards Carrie's has won for various dishes, including Lobster Fra Diavolo, Seafood Bisque and Carrie's Carbonara. There is a full lounge area and bar in the front of the restaurant for people to relax and have a cocktail before dinner.

Carrie offers a variety of items on their menu, but specializes mostly in seafood. For starters, Carrie's offers cold appetizers, such as Shrimp Cocktail (5.25) and Little Necks on Half Shell (4.95) as well as hot appetizers, including Clams Casino (5.25) and Fried Native Squid (5.75). Their dinner specialties include Mussels Basilico (7.95), Clams Zuppa (9.50) and Shrimp and Broccoli Alfredo (8.95). They offer a variety of baked seafood, such as Sea Scallops (9.75), Schrod (8.25) and Stuffed Shrimp (4 for 9.95, 6 for 12.95), and fried seafood, including Clam & Scallop Combo (9.50), White Clams (9.50) and Sea Scallops (9.25). Carrie's also aims to please those who don't like fish and offers dishes such as Chicken Parmesan (7.50), Chicken Giovanni (8.95) and 12 oz. New York Sirloin Steak (9.95).

For an appetizer, my guest and I each ordered a cup of the New England Clam Chowder (1.35). The chowder itself was creamy and had a nice taste to it, but was filled mostly with potatoes and hardly had a

trace of any clams. For the main dish, I ordered the Award Winning Carrie's Special (11.50), which is lobster, shrimp, scallops, little necks, mussels, squid, schrod and crab supreme simmered with a garlic & wine sauce. Not only was it outstanding, but the portion was gigantic enough for two meals. Just because it was a huge portion of pasta, Carrie's didn't skimp on the fish either. The dish was chock full of delicious seafood that made the \$11.50 I paid for it an absolute steal.

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can afford.**

My guest ordered the Fried Seafood Platter (12.50). Fried seafood can often be greasy or heavy and can leave you with an uncomfortable "stuffed" feeling. This wasn't the case at Carrie's. The platter, consisting of fried shrimp, schrod, clams, squid, smelts and scallops, was cooked in 100% vegetable oil and lacked the greasiness found in most fried seafood dinners. The dinner was served with snail salad (which isn't as bad as it sounds), cole slaw and french fries. The portion given here was also huge and enough for two meals.

Carrie's is a great place to go if you crave seafood and don't want to pay those Hemmenway-type prices. The portions are more than generous and there isn't an item on the menu over \$12.95. It's convenient and traffic-free location next to PC also makes it an attractive place for PC students to dine out. Carrie's can be summed up as being one of those places where if you try it once, you're guaranteed to go back for more.

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by Mike Quinn '95
Assist. A&E Editor

**DINK
DINK
Capitol Records
Grade: B+**

There are a variety of ways to describe the exact genre that DINK's music falls into. Some might call it techno, some electro-punk, some industrial. The most accurate description, though, is DINK's own assessment of themselves: "A total rock psycho-hop outfit."

Record Review

Rising out of the Cleveland music scene, DINK recently released their self-titled debut LP, consisting of eleven unmelodious, pulsating songs. What they lack in melody, however, they make up for in rhythm. At times the percussion is more intricate than some Nine Inch Nails songs. The vocals are a peculiar combination of P.I.L.'s John Lydon, N.I.N.'s Trent Reznor, and Primus' Les Claypool. The various noises and perversions of

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tonal color also help to define DINK's unusual sound.

"Green Mind," the album's first single, consists of both standard drum sounds and artificial percussion. The resulting effect is a relentless series of sounds that demand concentration to organize in the human brain. Other good songs on the album include "Running Red," which features a mesmerizing display of electronic effects, and "Get On It," which sounds bizarre but is nevertheless delightful. At times, the lyrics are entertaining, particularly in "In Her Head," which is a rather straightforward story of drinking too much.

The album as a whole is excellent. For some reason, DINK's music is really catchy, and most people will find it enthralling. If you happen to listen to Lite 105 habitually, though, don't waste your money.

**Rancid
Let's Go
Epitaph Records
Grade: B-**

When choosing a name for one's band, sometimes musicians will use words that don't really describe their character or the music that they play. The Violent Femmes aren't femmes, nor are they very violent. Madonna is not a mother. Sonic Youth are in their 30's. Ran-

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cid, however, is just that.

Not that this is necessarily bad. Rancid's rise to stardom follows along with the recent popularity of other

90's punk bands, such as Green Day, Bad Religion and The Offspring. The video for "Nihilism", the first track off their new album, *Let's Go*, has been getting regular airplay in MTV's buzz bin, and is gradually attracting more Rancid fans. Rancid manages to be different enough from other acts to cut out their own spot in the renaissance of punk.

Let's Go's style is about as punk as a band can get without sounding like they're using power tools. All the songs have the same tempo of about 200 rounds per minute. The guitar is basic and coarse. Like Green Day, Rancid emphasizes dynamic bass work, played powerfully by Matt Freeman. The vocals sound like the Beastie Boys' Adam Yauch screaming at the top of his lungs. This combination results in music that is destructive, yet fun.

Watch for Rancid to be just about everywhere in the next couple of months. After their brief run as punk icons, watch them disappear. When people have been listening to Rancid for a while, the repetition that permeates from one song to the next will annoy most fans. *Let's Go* is a great punk album, but their just not as catchy as Green Day or Bad Religion. Buy it if you like punk, otherwise stay away.

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A & E

Amphibious Aftermath

by Rand Refrigeri '97
A&E Writer

According to *Rolling Stone*, they sit at the number 8 spot on the billboard charts with their single, "Something's Always Wrong." According to the A&E section of *The Cowl*, they have presently snared an honest chunk of respectability in alternative music, their sprouting popularity and impact a mirror reflection of it. This growing musical package invaded our own Alumni Hall some time ago. For all of you who did not attend, shame on you. For all of you who did, you will probably agree with me when I suggest that Toad the Wet Sprocket provided us with a monumental evening of rock right here on campus.

It was on the dusk of a brittle November night before we feverishly treaded off to our turkeys when Toad, along with their opening act, The Wild Colonials, paraded into PC, feastively waiting to engross our eyes with the soft, tender lights of music. The Wild Colonials not only opened the show with the sheer elegance of a doorman at the Ritz Carlton, but they seemed to surprise the audience with their peculiar sound. Like the recently successful Dave Matthews Band, The Wild Colonials possess a multicultural style, featuring instruments such as the violin, to flavor their music with a mystical taste. This wondrous, yet mind-plaguing sound bestows forth a setting in which its listener may fall instrumentally lost in the soft, pillowy existence of its caress.

The gate was then hoisted for the main attraction. People gathered, personalities clashed, and the show began.

"This is a song about life," exclaimed Toad frontman Glen Phillips as the music immediately segwayed into an unblemished version of the classic, "All I Want."



Toad The Wet Sprocket (L to R): Todd Nichols, Randy Guss, Dean Dinning and Glen Phillips.

This song ignited both the quality and the fun of this concert, as people all over Alumni seemed to sensually massage their muscles of happiness with the purity of Toad's music.

Being an honest and versatile group, true to the rhythm of music, Toad capture's your attention with their attractively alternative look and sound. They give us sweet and slow melodies as well as those songs well in tune with real rock. Throughout the entire show, Toad committed but one concert crime. However, it had nothing to do with their flawless music.

Let's get one thing straight. I respect Toad as a band. Their music is not only impressive, but creative and experimental, genuine to the quality of alternative sound. But when a band re-

peatedly asks their audience not to mosh, be rowdy, or crowd surf, some of my respect for that band becomes annihilated and destroyed.

"Let us do our thing in the crowd while you do yours on stage. Perform for us, don't baby-sit us. For we are a lost generation, hungry for an answer through music. Yes, I

and attitude pleasing to the musical ears present at Alumni Hall. What these many ears heard was a music so together, so bright, so imaginative that their attention was gathered by the masters on stage with their musical toys.

At the encore, Toad wetly sprocketed forth their beautiful masterpiece,

"Walk on the Ocean." The concert's perfect ending had finally landed with this tune's arriving silence. In the end, fans seemed pleased with their 10-dollar adventure into insidious musical enjoyment.

Toad brought to us an evening of honest fun and memorable music. Thank you B.O.P.

TOAD TALK

What did you think of Toad The Wet Sprocket's concert at PC?

"I thought they played a great set. Everybody seemed to enjoy it and had a good time." - Brian Liss '95

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"I loved it. I thought that 'Hold Her Down', 'Fall Down' and 'Walk on the Ocean' were particularly good." - Craig Donnelly '97

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Features

The Fortune Zone

by Tina Kloter '95
Features Editor

Imagine what would happen if the world was suddenly, drastically changed. One day, you go to your favorite Chinese restaurant. You gobble down some quality lo mein, dig into your fried rice like there is no tomorrow and go through three pots of tea. "Ahhh," you think to yourself, "my fortune cookie is coming." Grinning happily, you crack it open, anticipating all of the wonderful words of praise which will make your day and boost your ego. You flatten the crumb covered piece of paper and read it aloud to those who have broken eggroll with you. "You have hairy ears, little regard for small animals and eat so many peanuts that you may single-handedly deplete the world's supply."

Gulp. Just picture it, fortune cookie makers have developed a way to turn out fortunes which reveal your

true nature. The world will never be the same again...

Deciding that she wants to know what he's like from the very beginning, Kara suggests that she and Toby go out for Chinese food on their first date. Kara- So, Toby, what does your fortune say. Toby- It says, "Your date is a vain self-cen-

one messed up looney tune."

Honest fortune cookies would not only speed up the disintegration of relationships that aren't meant to be, but patch up those that are... Lucy- I hate you Harold, you disgust me. You smell worse than the feet of Sasquatch and are uglier than Meatloaf. Harold- My dear, if you were

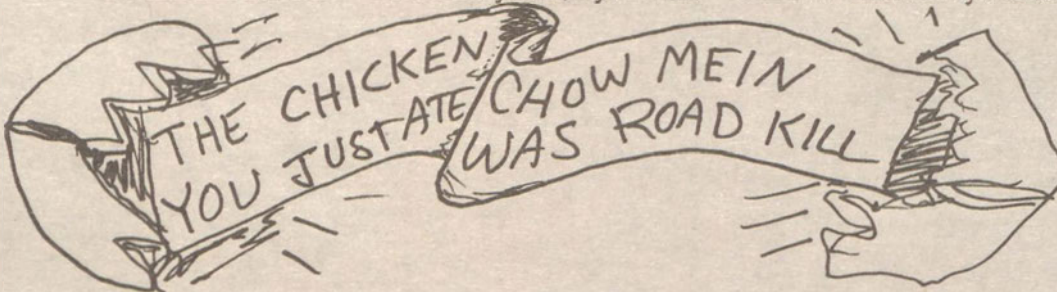
him, it's his artistic use of demeaning phrases that attracted you to him in the first place." Harold- Oh, Lucy! Mine says, "You wouldn't be happy if she wasn't around to make you feel like a worm." Let's go home, my little cow chip.

Going to a Chinese restaurant would always be an

you drink it, you will spend the rest of your life cursing cows.

Your parents think that you must have been switched with another baby at the hospital, because no child of theirs would tell the neighbors that your Aunt Lizzie is doing time for exposing herself to Leonard Nemoy.

It may be interesting to hear some truths about yourself, but fortune cookies may not be a great source. Chinese food is great and the ego-boosting cookies really make the meal. It would be a tragedy to stop getting fortunes that tell you that you're as beautiful as Vanessa Williams or as desirable as Tom Cruise. We'll all be better off adding, "in bed" to the end of each fortune. That way, everybody gets a laugh and nobody finds out that you are asking for a Barbie Dreamhouse, a Snoopy Snowcone Machine and a Play-doh Fuzzy Pumper for Christmas.



tered horse. She reuses her dental floss and torments her younger brother by reading him Stephen King stories before he goes to bed." Kara- Haha. He likes scary stories. Uh, I mean, you must have gotten the wrong fortune. Let me read mine. "Toby's fortune was right, you are

the last ill-natured, unattractive pathetic ox-like excuse for a person on the face of this earth, I would still want to watch you being eaten alive by a pack of wolves while listening to the Barney song. Open your fortune cookie and leave. Lucy- "You know that you love

adventure. Imagine the things you would find out about yourself:

You are a very evil person. If Satan had a Top Ten List of People Most Likely to be His Roommate, you would be number one.

The milk in your refrigerator is past its prime. If

Commentary: Questioning Faith at PC

by Juliette Marchioli '95
Features Writer

When I chose to come to Providence College, one of the primary reasons upon which I based my decision was that PC is a Catholic institution. It was important to me that I be in an environment which espoused Christian values. I hoped that this factor would provide a stable community composed of individuals who would share the same values that I do.

What I was most looking forward to, along with making good friends and taking interesting classes, was interacting and forming meaningful relationships with the Dominicans on campus. I had heard that they were approachable and always interested in getting to know the students.

Lest I be immediately misunderstood, I should point out that my experiences have not all been negative, nor am I trying to insult the many dedicated

clergy we have on campus. In particular, the staff in the chaplain's office are sincerely kind, as are those priests on campus who do show an interest in our lives.

The tragic Aquinas fire in 1978 substantiates that at one time, the ideal I had hoped for, did actually exist. Amidst all of the anguish and disbelief, students turned to the priests on campus for support. It was the clergy who helped them come to terms with their grief. This occurred as a result of the close bonds of friendship which had developed between the students and the Dominicans over the years.

How beautiful that in a time of sorrow, PC was able to pull together. However, I wonder what reactions would be if another serious issue were to strike unexpectedly? Would students find that same comfort and support they once had in the priests? Would students feel close enough to the clergy to entrust them with their frag-

ile emotions? Or would they feel too alienated over the gap that exists between the priests and students on campus, one which has in recent years grown increasingly wider?

Of equal concern is the division amongst the priests themselves. It seems that there is open animosity even within the Priory walls. What does this say about the strength of spiritually on campus? And in particular, what does this say about the bond between students and Dominicans?

It is in the classrooms that this gap is especially acute, with the majority of the priests who teach us, constantly berating us as a whole for our immoral ways. There are many of us on campus, who when given the opportunity to live in coed dorms, would not immediately jump into bed with the person who is next door. Nor do all of us get completely trashed every night and not care about learning and broadening our

horizons. I resent being ridiculed for questioning certain teachings in Scripture. Isn't it the duty of a good Catholic to work towards complete understanding of the beliefs we are supposed to profess?

My question is simple. Have the priests at PC stopped listening to the Word of God, because they are too caught up in condemning society and making us aware of how bitter they are about how things have gone wrong? How are we to grow as individuals, and especially in our faith, if all we hear around us is the hopelessness in our even attempting to rectify our ways? This is the message that we, as students, are getting from some of the priests on this very campus, and it is one which should not be tolerated.

After taking one of my theology requirements, instead of reaffirming my faith in Catholicism as I had hoped, it has caused me to doubt my faith more than

ever before. I try not to let the behavior of particular priests upset me, but it is unavoidable. Is it right that I was forced to leave that classroom in tears, right in the middle of lecture, due to my disbelief in the words and actions of the very bitter and disillusioned priest teaching the course?

Up until this point in my life, I believed very strongly in my identity as a Catholic. But a variety of incidents, including the one just mentioned, have led me to question if I should be part of a community whose hypocritical members are often unforgiving, angry, and out-of-touch. Why is it that some of the clergy on this campus are unable to see that we, as young scholars, are looking to them for guidance, not condemnation. Will you ever again see that we are looking to you as teachers, and are only asking that you help us to grow in our faith and more readily hear the Word of God as you do... or do you?



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Cableland

by Jeff Komanetsky '98
Features Writer

Do you remember a time when students everywhere worked, studied and well, actually learned things throughout the course of the day? No, neither do I. That's because we're all part of the cable generation. The days when our ancestors had to live with whatever the network stations fed them are over. Just because George Washington didn't have a cable wire running through his house doesn't mean we can't (although it can't be proven that he didn't have cable). Today's college student has the choice to watch everything from Larry King and professional wrestling to some good old fashion sex scenes on the premium stations—Hell, if you have a satellite, you can probably watch Larry King having sex with a professional wrestler. Never underestimate the power of television!

When I first arrived here at Providence, I was forced to live without a cable box. I'd eat, sleep and I'd go out—just like everyone else.

For the first time in my life, I actually found myself doing school work. But then, it arrived in a beautiful brown cardboard package—My cable box... Yes! The days of oppression ended right there. As I plugged in the

ended there, I must admit. Why go to class to learn how Augustus ruled Rome when I could stay on my couch and learn how Fat Albert was going to learn a darn good lesson about feeding pigeons without an umbrella before



box and sat down to watch my first day of cable TV at PC, I could feel the television sucking the life out of me. Did I care? No! I loved it! It was such a great experience, feeling all of my work ethic and sense of responsibility ride off into the California sunset with John and Ponch on CHiPs. The days of work

good ol' Bill Cosby (way back when he was funny) had to stop the show for "Picture Pages"—There was really no decision to be made—Fat Albert could beat up Augustus anyday—couch potato heaven.

Eventually, it got so bad that I'd forget to sleep some nights. A Taxi marathon

could keep me up into the wee hours of the morning. Just when I'd be about to sleep, I'd hear, "What you talkin' about Willis?". Of course, *Different Strokes* would keep me going 'till that 8:30 came around. So what if Willis is sitting backstage on the set of *Circus of the Stars* (which closed down ten years ago) and Kimberly is doing her impression of a snake (lying naked on a rock) for *Playboy* and Arnold... Where the heck is Arnold? Anyway, the point is, why let school or sleep get in the way of a good TV show? I mean, the kid had a black goldfish named Abraham—that's something to stay up for!

All good things must come to an end, though. I'm sad to say that one day the box broke and I had to start working again. But someday, I'll get it fixed and you can rest assured that there won't be one night in my room without the cast of *Baywatch* stopping by or the wise ass guys from *Sportscenter* letting me know that Michael Jordan is still retired and that he still sucks at baseball. Thank God!!

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Features

Help Wanted

by Stacy A. Baker '96
Features Writer

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas. OK, it looks more like Memorial Day with the weather we've been having. But, Christmas is coming, no matter what the meteorologists are saying. Along with the yule-tide comes the ever-popular Christmas break. A time to rest and relax before the coming spring semester, but also a time for many to work and earn money for your second semester tuition bill or your trip to Disney World for spring break.

While others have their regular steady jobs bagging groceries at Stop & Shop or doing inventory at the mall in the middle of the night, I have never been one to go the easy route when it came to working. I have had many jobs in my day, and it seems each is just a little more bizarre than the one before.

During high school I worked at a local drug store. It was family owned, and very small. I was one of only three employees including the owner. Two days before I left

PC for the summer, he was arrested on numerous counts, including the illegal distribution of drugs. It was in all the newspapers and on TV. So, Randolph Drug, Co. was closed forever and I was suddenly a displaced worker.

When the shock of the whole thing finally wore off, I got a job in Boston working for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. I had to get up at 5:30 every morning. I worked in an office where nobody talked to anybody else. Everyone wore a walkman while they worked. I sat at a table for eight hours a day unstapling papers and listening to my walkman. I was a de-coalation engineer— I UNSTAPLED!! That was what I did, and that was all I did. I spent more money on batteries for the walkman and on subway tokens than I got paid.

Next I worked for Chadwick's of Boston taking catalog phone orders. I had to wear a head set, but instead of "Hi, this is Judy from TIME-LIFE Books," it

was "Good morning/afternoon, Chadwick's of Boston, Stacy speaking, how may I help you?" It started off OK but then- the sale catalog came out. It was all downhill from there. With about 500 people taking calls, we still had over 200 calls on hold waiting to be answered. I got yelled at by people because the place does not have an 800 number, yelled at when the computers weren't working and we had to take the orders by hand, and yelled at because they were out of the J.G. Hook walking shorts in every color except fuchsia. I even had one woman try to convince me that where I was in West Bridgewater, Massachusetts, I was only a half an hour behind her in Peekskill, New York. Whoa!

Then came my most humbling experience. For a month I worked at the Foxboro race track with a commercial cleaning service. It sounded like it wouldn't be too bad; it turned out to be a fate worse than death. I had one of those carts that the UNICCO people wheel around and I cleaned

restrooms all day. I had to get up at 4:30 to spend my day scrubbing the toilets that hundreds of people had used the night before. It was awful. The owner of the company once said to me, "When you get through in here, these urinals will be so clean we could eat off them." The only thing I could think to say was, "Sir, if this urinal was in my house, in place of our kitchen table, I would not eat off it." I now have a greater appreciation for sleep and for people who clean. I wonder if the UNICCO people dread going to sleep because they know that when they wake up they have to come back here and clean. I did.

So at the same time that I was cleaning toilets during the day, I was looking for a second job for at night. I answered an ad in the paper and applied for a job at the Randolph Package Store, two doors down from Randolph Drug. I was hired on the spot and after a few days of being shown around, I had my first real night behind the counter. It was fine. The next day I checked the

schedule and I was on for zero hours. Someone told me I wouldn't be on the schedule until the next week. The next week, I checked the schedule again, and again I had zero hours. So, one ticked-off phone call and two days later, Rusty the mailman brought my first and last check from the Randolph Package Store. From then on, there has been a Baker family boycott on them. We will never darken their doorstep again.

Finally, over the summer, I got a good job. I worked at a data processing company where I counted the checks in people's bank statements and mailed them out. I worked until midnight, but the people there were nice and friendly. I could hardly believe I finally had a job that I enjoyed. It's like my Mom told me, "You are building character." I think I have more character than I need.

So, HAPPY HOLIDAYS, Providence College— enjoy the vacation. And good luck to my roommate Anne Leegan. She is going to Ireland next semester. We'll miss you Annabelle!

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Features

The Times... Are They a Changin'?

by Karen Stauffer '96
Features Writer

I guess it all started in the Old Testament when God decided to take one of Adam's ribs and create woman. And why did he do this? Because Adam was bored. There it is; we were doomed from the beginning. This sexist thought is again seen in the New Testament. When Mary finds Jesus to be missing, she runs to tell John and Peter, only to find that a woman would not be taken seriously. Sexism is a serious issue, and often quite frustrating. At times it seems as if women are treated as equals in today's society; however, when we dig a little deeper, we see how much further we still have to go in our quest for equality.

For hundreds of years women have been placed on the back burner. We have cooked, cleaned, and given birth as our major contributions to this world. Of course there have been a few women along the way who have broken free; however, for the most part, our donations have been fairly insignificant. It was men who found this country. It was men who signed the Constitution of the United States. It was a man who discovered electricity. It was a man who first stepped on the moon. And of course we cannot forget our uninterrupted legacy of male presidents. Men must have been working so hard that they neglected to listen to women, allow women to vote, and allow women an education. What I want to know is why? Why would the men who fought for the freedom of this country, the men who really understood the meaning of the world liberty, the men who wrote a constitution which states "All men are created equal," treat women in the

manner which they did? I realize the treatment of women roots much farther back than the founding of this country, but I am talking about the United States. I am talking about living in a country in which the actions of its people are often opposite from the basis of its constitution.

Women prevailed, and nineteen Amendments later we were given the right to vote. We were finally allowed to make decisions on our own. So, better late than never—we had some fun! We made our skirts shorter, burned our bras, and smoked some marijuana. Thus, we had a sexual revolution. Women tore off their cooking aprons and picked up their brief cases. For the first time in this country's history women were standing on their own. But where has this drive to overcome sexist walls gone? It seems as if we live in a society where the treatment of women is going downhill. For example, look at the portrayal of women in the newspaper, television, and magazines. Women are portrayed as being beautiful not as being intelligent. I know there are exceptions to this; however, for the most part, women are seen as sex objects not as brain surgeons. I also realize that women are slowly mingling into the world of politics, business, and technology, but are we taking baby steps or leaps and bounds? I think the answer to that is quite obvious. It seems as if for every one woman who is receiving her doctorate,

another woman is being raped or battered. And even when a woman establishes herself in the work force, she is almost always paid less than her male counterpart. My point is that you can give us the right to vote, you can give us equal pay in the work force, you can give us the freedom to walk down the street without being raped, you can give us life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, but if you give us these things then you are forgetting one very significant item. You can't give us something that is already ours. If all people are created equal, then why would the constitution apply to some and not others. These walls that we continually have to overcome should not exist. We should not have to fight for equal rights, we deserve them according to the

You can't give us something that is already ours.

foundation of this country.

I simply do not understand what has given the white male the belief that he is superior in this country. What the hell is it that we must do in order to achieve equality? Every one of us has spent nine long months inside a woman's body. It was here where she sacrificed her body in order to create yours. So I ask you, why would you mistreat the actual human life which nurtured you and brought you into this world?

Mosh This

by Melissa McCrosson '95
Features Writer

Maybe I'm a wimp. Maybe I'm no fun. Maybe I'm just old. Why do I feel this way? Because not only can I not comprehend the logic of moshing, but I loathe it with strong vehemence. If I am going to spend the money to go to a concert, I want to enjoy it, and I don't want to spend the whole time fighting for my life against hordes of my sweaty, writhing, animal-like peers.

Perhaps it is because I have never found masochism appealing. In my opinion, no form of pain is enticing. Why would anyone in their right mind want to be thrust full force into a mosh pit of chaotic thrashing, where elbows smash into faces, knees kick into your stomach, and feet—oh, don't even talk to me about what happens to feet in mosh pits. It is not uncommon to see people leave shoeless, their feet all bloodied and torn, when they began the evening with a complete set of footwear. Someone tell me—WHY IS THIS FUN?

And they mosh to anything these days. I can understand that the strong rhythmic and pulsing um... beat of Danzig might inspire fans to throw all their body weight and kinetic energy into their unsuspecting neighbors—but The Lemonheads? James? The Gin Blossoms?! Don't get me wrong; I like to boogie down

as much as anyone else, but unless I'm doing the lambada, I don't want my body to be rubbing against another person's.

I hate the fact that if I go to a concert at Lupo's or the Strand now and have a really good spot up close to the stage, I will inevitably be shoved back to the far reaches of the club by the time the headlining band comes on. It's survival of the hardest hitting, and the more sedate species is all but eradicated. Not to whine, but it's not fair. It's not like these moshers are even watching the show anyway, so let those who are get the good view, and give the moshers a cage or something down in the basement someplace. That way, they can have their sadistic and ritualistic "fun", and we non-moshers can see the show we are paying for, and groove to our own beat.

Toad the Wet Sprocket came to PC a few weekends ago. From what I know of their music, they swing a little bit to the mellow side on the musical scale. However, despite this knowledge, I don't doubt that some group of angst driven attendees tried to start up a mosh pit and maybe even do a little crowd surfing. Whatever floats your boat, but my boat is firmly anchored on the ground so please keep your elbows to yourself.



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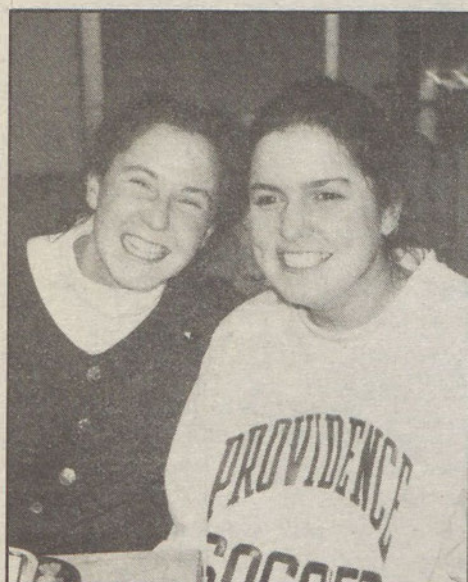
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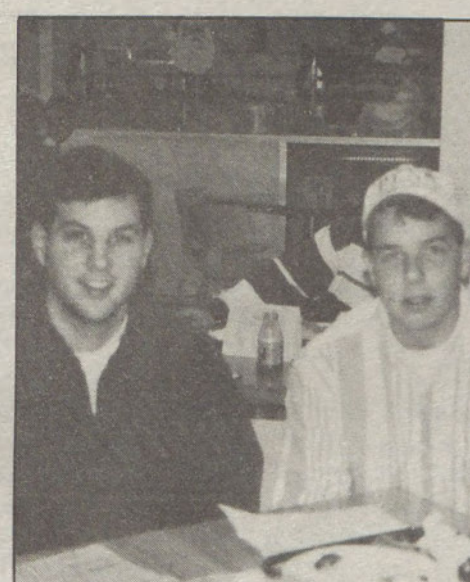
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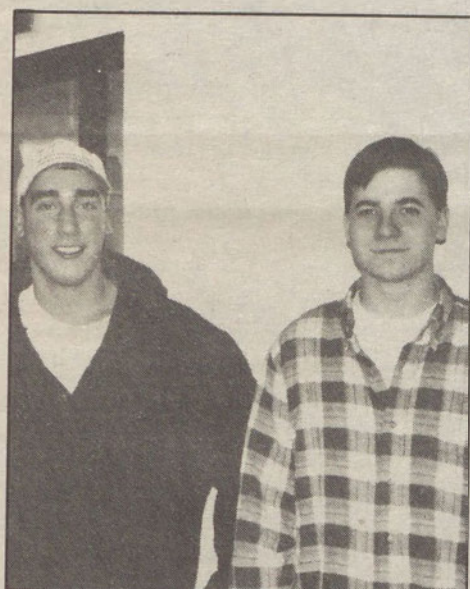
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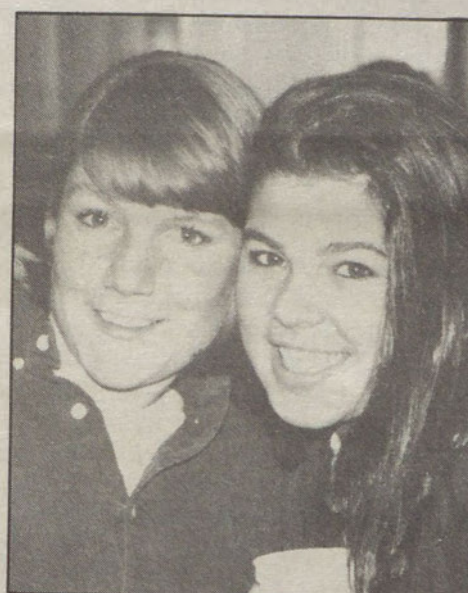
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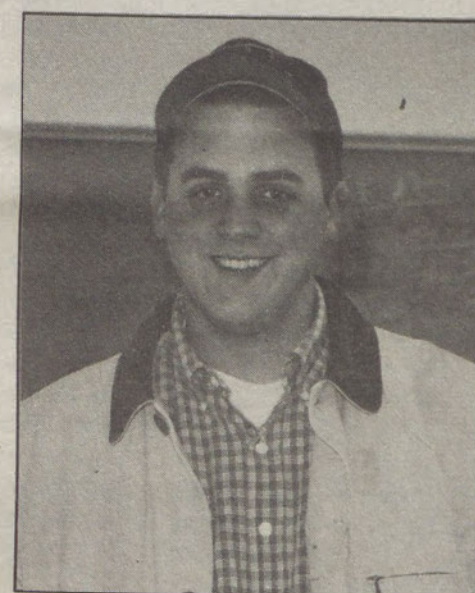
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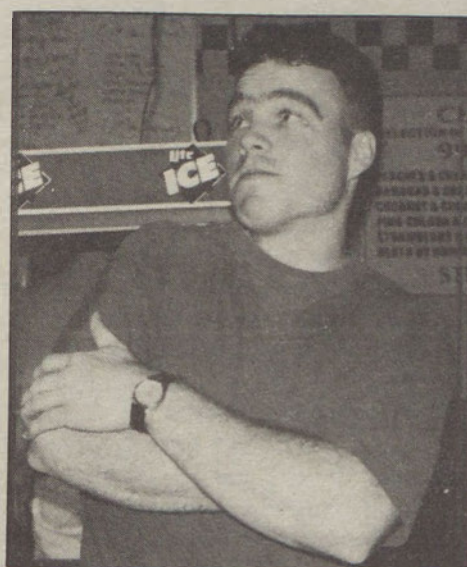
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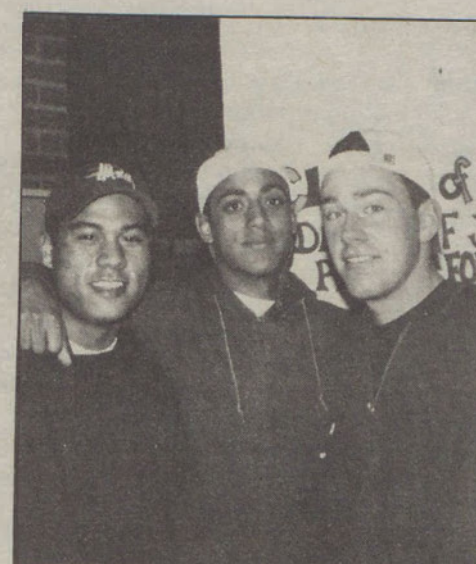
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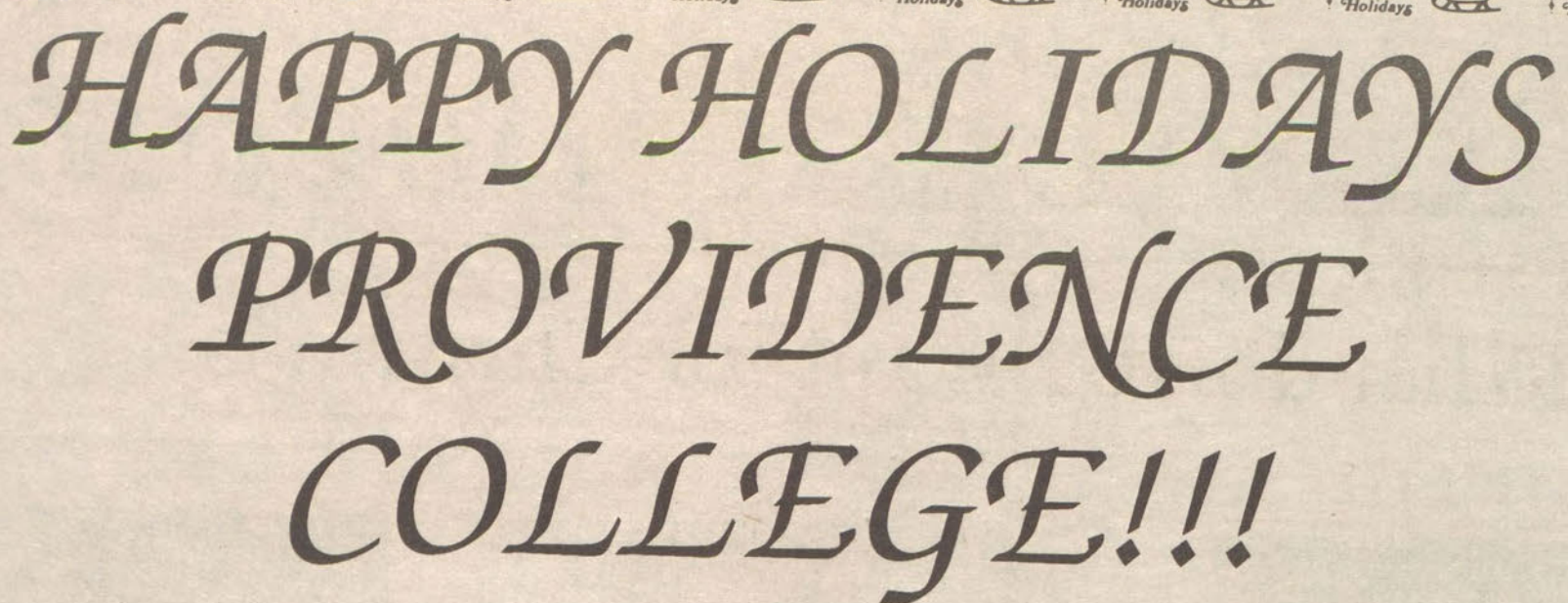
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Mrs. Slavin - Once the divorce is final, I'm going to relocate my statue to the front of Davis. See you around.
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Sports Scoreboard

Huskies Paddle Past Friars

by Cory McGann '98

Sports Writer

On November 19, 1994, The University of Connecticut's men's and women's swim teams visited Taylor Natatorium and came away with two wins against the Providence College Friars and their female teammates. The Huskies, aiming to repeat last Winter's sterling season, defeated the Friars 151.5 to 82.5, and the Lady Friars 149 to 94.

The UConn men were led by sophomore P.G. Schrader who landed New England records in the 200 Freestyle with a time of 1:56.97 and in the 100 Freestyle with at 52:95. Also adding to the cause was freshman Sean Tedesco, who also scored a New England record, finishing at 2:28.01 in the 200 Breaststroke. Tedesco also placed first in the 200 Individual Medley race with a time of 2:13.96.

The Friars' fabulous freshman Stephen Brown grabbed the only two first place finishes for the PC in individual performances. He set a New England Record and a pool record in the 200 Butterfly (2:09.46) and led the pack in the 400 Freestyle with a time of 4:12.48.

The performance by senior co-captain Jeff Longo was a school record. Other excellent PC performances were in the 400 Freestyle Re-



Jeff Longo '95

lay (Tartaglione, Ahearn, Egbert, Nathe; 3:38.96; first), the 50 Freestyle (Nathe, 24.53, second), the 200 Individual Medley (Ahearn, 2:17.11, second), the 100 Freestyle (Nathe, 53.74, second), and the 200 Breaststroke (Longo, 2:29.90, second).

The women managed an equal amount of luck against the strong Lady Huskies. Connecticut featured a very balanced attack, letting a different swimmer lead the way in almost every race. Sophomore Hilliary Krug made herself stand out though, by garnering a New England and pool record in the 200 Backstroke (2:20.08) and placing first in the 200 Freestyle (2:08.33).

Three tenths of a second behind her, though, was Providence sophomore Colleen Doyle, who was part of an equally balanced attack. Lady Friars coach John O'Neill also received impressive performances from his outstanding 200 Freestyle Relay team of Stacy Sweetster '97, Nancy Harkins '96, Kathleen Kelly '98, and Doyle. The quartet grabbed first place with a time of 4:04.11.

Other Friar standouts include Kierstin Newell, who in the 100 Freestyle recorded a New England, Providence College, and pool record with a time of 58.53, easily drowning all of her Lady Husky competition.

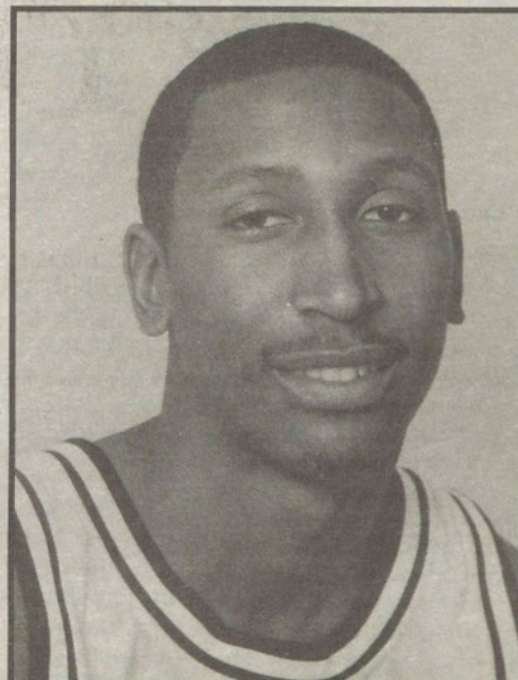
The Friars now drop to 1-2, while the 2-1 Lady Friars suffered their first setback of the winter. Both teams competed in the New England Championships at the University Of Rhode Island last weekend. Results of the meet have not yet been released.

PC Athletes of the Week



Nadine Malcolm '97
(Syracuse, New York)
Women's Basketball

The sophomore forward has had the hot hand for the Lady Friars early this season. At Rutgers on 11/30, she poured in a career high 26 points and pulled down 13 rebounds. Against nationally ranked Penn State, she led PC with 22 points and in Monday's win at URI scored 13 points and added 12 rebounds.



Jason Murdock '97
(Bridgewater, New Jersey)
Men's Basketball

The sophomore guard gets better with every game. IN PC's first four games, he's averaging 9.8 points and 4.3 assists. Against Brown, Jason had ten points and five rebounds in the 68-61 win. In the 80-77 victory over URI on Saturday, Jason had his career best game with 14 points and five steals.

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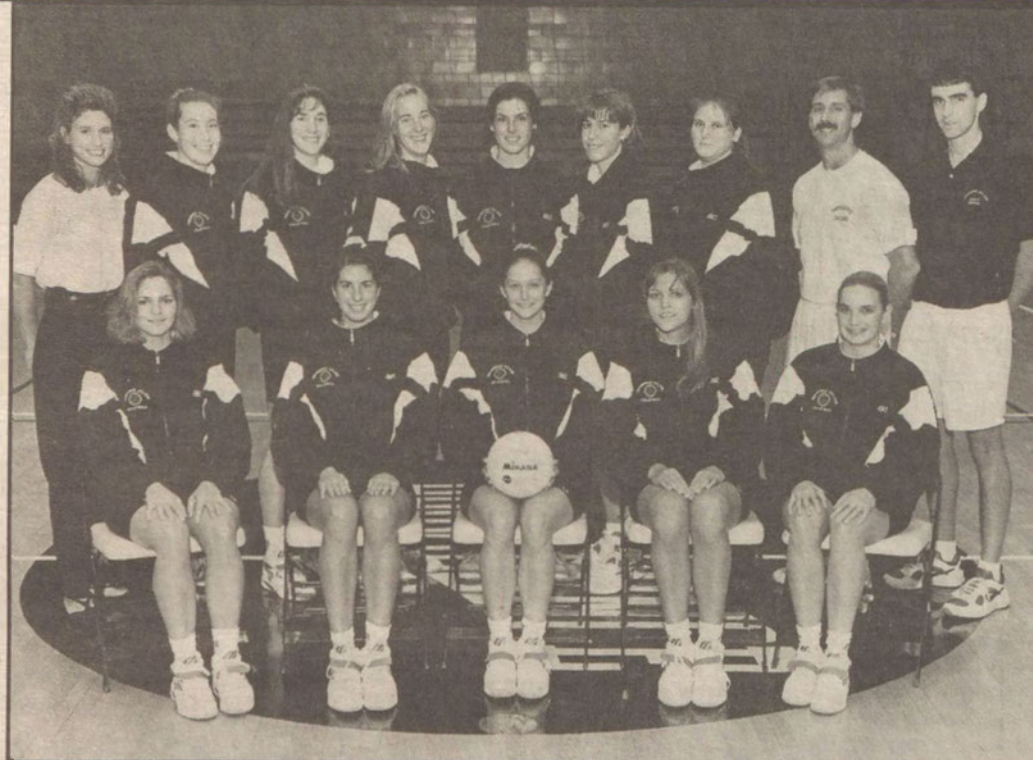
Finishing With Pride

by Keith Christensen '96
Sports Writer

The Providence College Women's Volleyball team finished its season November 19-20 at the Big East Championships at Seton Hall. After their frenetic, roller coaster season, it was almost anticlimactic to watch the Lady Friars drop their final two matches, 3-0, 3-0, to SHU and UConn. The images that remain, however, are not of the points that ended the games, but of the players who led PC to its 21-11 record. There was Kelly Tooley sprawling headlong across the floor and underneath the scorers' table in pursuit of the ball in the last moments of the UConn match, score be damned; Aileen Koprowski performing a perfect somersault after diving to dig a ball in the same game; the smile of set-

ter Marnie Panek, who at 5'9" is "short" by volleyball standards, after killing the ball despite the block attempt of two taller opponents; Heidi Brady's vicious, dangerously low serve finding the floor; Tooley's disappointment after one of her trademark thundering spikes was dug by a brave soul.

To focus solely on the Friars' unsuccessful Big East weekend is to overlook all of the team's accomplishments. Koprowski, in her final season, was named First Team All-Big East. Koprowski was second among Big East players with 1.3 blocks/game, and fifth in kills in Big East games. Sophomore Becky Loftus nabbed Second Team honors after leading the league in digs, with 3.7 a game, and finishing fourth in kills per game. First year Coach Debbie Matejka guided PC to a 5-3 conference record, good for fourth in the league, after her Lady Friars



Front row, left to right: K. Kam, L. Lynch, M. Panek, A. Koprowski, N. Trudeau. Back row: Coach Debbie Matejka, S. Parsons, H. Brady, K. Tooley, J. Cole, B. Loftus, J. Ferenko, Assistant Paul Amaral, Trainer Chris Healey. Not pictured, C. Lukasic.

were picked to finish seventh in a pre-season poll. The 5-3 record is a marked turnaround from last year, when the Friars finished 1-6 against Big East foes. For the year, PC registered the most kills per game of any Big East team and was second in hitting. The Lady Friars were also in the Top 5 in the league in digs, assists, and blocks. Additionally, PC won both the Hartford and Penn Invationals.

In their first match of the weekend, the Lady Friars played top-seeded SHU. The first two games were dominated by SHU's Baiba Zake, the Big East Player of the Year, and SHU rolled to back-to-back 15-6 wins. The Friars hopped out to an 8-3 lead in game 3 behind kills from Jocelyn Cole, Brady, and Tooley. After SHU tied the game, PC regained the lead, 10-8, but could not shake the Pirates. The Friars led, 11-10, but did not score again, despite four sideouts, and the match ended, 15-11.

Early Sunday morning, the Lady Friars faced off with UConn, who had lost to eventual champion Pitt the day before, in the consolation game. The match resembled PC's other two encounters with UConn this season: the Friars took early leads, only to be tracked down by the Huskies. UConn won, 15-12, 16-14, 15-6. PC led 8-3 in game 1 before falling, and served for the win three times in game 2 before succumbing. The black and white took a 4-1 lead in the final game, but was outscored 13-2 the rest of the way.

The future is bright for the Lady Friars. They must overcome the loss of irre-

placeable seniors Koprowski, Panek, and Liz Lynch. Koprowski hit .322 this season, with 329 kills, 275 digs and a team high 94 blocks. Panek led the team in assists, with 938, and service aces, with 30. Lynch, who was slowed by an early season illness, picked up 28 kills and 29 digs in 28 games. The return of four starters, including Tooley, whose .336 hitting percentage led the team, and Loftus, who led the team in kills and digs, and Coach Matejka should help offset the departures. Matejka, who after one season already ranks with the best coaches in the conference (and is this writer's choice for Coach of the Year, apologies to UConn's Ellen Crandall), is the heart and soul of PC volleyball. After Sunday's loss, she looked at her players, head held high, and said simply, "Smile." This is good advice, because this year's players gave everyone who saw them play, and anyone who knows them, something to smile about.



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Sports

Men's Hockey cont.

UNH scored the first of three power play goals, PC struck at 5:52 of the first period. Chad Quenneville dropped the puck to defenseman Jon Rowe in the right corner. Rowe then fed Breen in front, and the senior forward beat former PC netminder Mike Heinke to tie the game. The period ended 1-1, as 14 Dennis saves staved off the attacking 'Cats.

The Friars came out of the locker room after the intermission and seemed to take over the game. PC went on the offensive and Hulbig found the back of the net at 2:21 on a feed from Breen, extending his goal-scoring streak to four games. Quenneville stole the puck at the UNH blue line, walked in all alone and put the puck through Heinke's five-hole at 12:43 to make it 3-1. UNH rebounded, though, scoring twice within 1:56 to tie the game.

Quenneville scored a power play goal 3:47 into the third when he rammed home the rebound of a Dennis Burke shot. The Wildcats tied it less than a minute later, and the score remained 4-4 until the last four minutes. Justin Gould passed to Breen, whose shot was stopped by Heinke. Hulbig picked up the rebound in front and poked it past Heinke to give PC the lead. Dennis, who would finish with 38 saves, continued to frustrate the 'Cats. PC could not clear the zone after UNH pulled its goalie with a minute left, however, and a screened Dennis could not stop the tying shot with six seconds left in regulation.

After a largely uneventful overtime, the shoot-out began. Quenneville missed wide right, but Kramer, Hulbig, and senior Jon LaVarre all scored while Dennis allowed just one UNH score to give PC the 3-1 shoot-out win and three points in the standings (under Hockey East's revamped scoring system, a win is worth five points, a tie two points, and a shoot-out win is worth an additional point).

The tie against UNH broke

the two game losing skid that PC was in as a result of its trip to Maine on November 18-19. The first game began promisingly for the Friars, as Breen and Hulbig tallied in the first 6:27, both off assists from Kramer and Quenneville, to stake the visitors to a 2-0 lead. Maine answered by scoring the next three goals and led 3-2, when Kramer scored with help from Burke and Rowe. Russ Guzior registered his first goal of the season less than three minutes later to give the Friars the lead, but the Black Bears scored twice in the last six minutes to capture the 5-4 victory. Dennis stopped 27 shots in the game, which featured 17 penalties, 15 power plays, and 5 power play goals.

After Friday's high-scoring, penalty-filled affair, Saturday's game was a pleasant change of pace. There were only seven penalties and no power play goals. In a hard, evenly played game, Maine bested the Friars, 2-1. Hulbig's late second period goal from the right circle, with an assist from LaVarre, would be PC's only score. Dennis turned away 28 shots, but the Black Bears got to him often enough to remain unbeaten.

Following those three solid efforts, Saturday night's performance was particularly surprising and dismaying. The few fans who turned out to see the Friars first home game in three weeks saw UNH score three first period goals, despite 13 Dennis saves, to essentially put the game out of reach. The 'Cats added two more goals to take a commanding 5-0 lead before the Friars showed any signs of life. Breen scored late in the second period when he netted a Hulbig pass. Kramer made it 5-2 when he scored a power play goal at 1:00 of the third period. PC was on the attack, and Kramer's goal came off assists from Quenneville and Burke. Any Friar

Men's Basketball

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Although the Hoyas began to settle down, John Thompson's troops seemed shell-shocked. Pre-Season All-Big East power forward Othella Harrington, averaging 5.4 points and less than 5 rebounds a game, seemed puzzled by the new Hoya up tempo style, paced by freshman point guard Allen Iverson. Despite an incredible shooting display, even Iverson was plagued by six turnovers in the first ten minutes of the game. Williams continued his offensive explosions during this time, while Jason Murdock's three point bomb gave the Friars a 27-15 lead halfway through the first half.

Senior center Don Reid finally provided the Hoya frontcourt with an injection of life on both ends of the court, stopping Williams and Brown, and converting two consecutive baskets to cut the GU deficit to 32-29. However, the Friars increased the lead to 40-32 by the end of the half, aided by consecutive three pointers by Michael Brown and Williams. Brown looked much more comfortable at the point, scoring 14 points and dishing out 4 assists. The Friars received a minor scare in the second half when the 180 pound junior was trampled by Reid. His value to the Friar offense would become even more evident after he

fouled out late in the game.

The second half opened with Iverson being called for his third personal foul, an additional positive sign for the Friars. Troy Brown and Williams also continued their offensive onslaught for the Friars, with Franklin Western joining the fray for two straight baskets, extending their lead to 54-40. However, the game would take on a different slant around the 8 minute mark when The elder Brown had 4 fouls and the point guard namesake was in trouble as well.

The Friars quickly saw their lead evaporate to 58-52, thanks to the offensive creativity of Iverson and a John Jacques three pointer. Yet when the freshman field general received his fourth foul, three point options opened up for Brown and Murdock, resulting in a 66-56 lead with under 10 minutes remaining.

The Hoyas achieved one major positive during the second half: shutting down Williams for ten minutes. Quickly applying their classic "pressure defense", the Hoyas converted stops and turnovers into scoring opportunities. With 4 fouls on Brown Iverson began to penetrate at will, finally getting him out of the game at 4:08 with the deficit cut to 68-67. Shortly thereafter Williams ended his drought, with a

slashing basket, and both teams kept trading baskets until a minute remained, with the Friars retaining a 74-73 lead.

Tragedy would spoil Pete Gillen's Big East debut though when Jerome Williams was able to upfake Piotr Sybilski for a lay-up to give the Hoya a 74-73 lead at 19:41. Eric Williams proceeded to be called for traveling on PC's possession and the Friars were forced to foul Iverson. After he converted one free throw, Borja Larragan stormed down the court but was unable to find an open man, and failed to create his own leaver, resulting in a 76-74 loss.

The loss was the first for the Friars this winter and displayed a number of positives, the most evident being the overall strength of the starting five. However, the true question remains of what happens after one of them gets tired, finds foul trouble, or when Williams gets triple teamed. Although Sybilski and Larragan are capable backups, the bench remains dangerously thin. One should get a better indication of PC's capabilities following some highly competitive games over the next month, including Civic Center games versus St. Johns and Oklahoma State, and road trips to UConn's Gampel Pavilion and the McGuire Arena at the University of South Carolina.

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Sports

Rhode Island's Best

by Justin Macione '95
Sports Editor

Nothing gets an area's residents and college's students more fired up than an intra-state rivalry. When each group lines up to take sides, lifelong friends transform into bitter enemies, and school identification takes precedence. Some of the biggest series' include North Carolina-Duke, Florida-Florida State, and Southern Cal-UCLA.

Although it doesn't reach that stratosphere, the PC-URI contests hold an extremely high level of fan interest in the Ocean State, as evidenced at the Friars 80-77 win on Saturday, finishing the first leg of their non-league schedule at 4-0. However, it was even more surprising when cross-town rival Brown nearly caught PC looking over their smaller shoulders for the Rams on Thursday, succumbing after a tight forty minutes, 68-61.

Coming off inconsistent home victories versus the likes of Rider University and Boston University, The Friars returned to the Civic Center for the third time in six days hoping for a breather against Brown. Yet, it became immediately evident that the Bears weren't going to repeat their paltry weekend performance at Duke when James Joseph provided the first dose of offense with a layup. The first ten minutes of the game remained a back and forth affair, switching leads periodically. The Friars received an early 11 point outburst from a bronchitis-plagued Eric Williams, who showed his newfound three point range at 5:18 to give PC a brief lead. Brown center Paul Krasinski kept the game in range for the Bears with an 8 point and 7 rebound performance. A couple of quick fouls by Troy Brown created an opening for the freshman's inside game.

Following the inconsistent start, the Friars increased their defensive pressure for the final ten minutes of the half. Borja Larragan's late three pointer and Jason Murdock's intensity on both sides helped the Friars close out with a 35-28 lead.

Although the Friars never lost the lead in the second half, Krasinski and Lloyd refused to let the Friars close the game out. Brown's junior guard unleashed three three pointers between 14:40 and 11:44 helping neutralize the contributions of Williams and Western, and whittling PC's lead down to 47-43.

Krasinski also proved that he wasn't a first half wonder for the Bears fouling out a powerless Troy Brown at 12:43 with a layup assisted three point play. Despite contributing only two points and three boards, Brown's loss immediately put a heavy load on the Friar frontcourt. After Krasinski converted another three point play from a Larragan hack, Pete Gillen closed a time out at 15:54



with the score at 56-53.

While it remains unknown what was said in the huddle, there was three end results. First, Williams and Murdock placed increased defensive pressure on Lloyd and Krasinski. Second, Murdock's eight footer at 18:29 gave PC an eight point lead. This led Brown into a fouling mode, preserving a 68-61 PC win.

While the Friars might have regarded Brown a bit too light, there is no such thing as passivity at the PC-URI rivalry. Smarting from last place Atlantic-10 predictions, freshman point guard Tyson Wheeler immediately got the Rams rolling

with an early nine point explosion, capped by a three-pointer at 5:02, and giving the Rams an 11-8 lead. "Tyson Wheeler is a tremendous point guard", added coach Gillen. Wheeler finished the game with 16 points and 4 assists.

Subsequently the Friar backcourt took up some of the offensive load which they hadn't yet shown. Michael Brown showed added direction at the point, while Murdock displayed some of his offensive creativity at the shooting guard spot, scoring 15 points and recording 5 steals. Piotr Szybilski's tip-in at 6:42, The trio of Franklin Western, Williams, and Murdock took charge. A Williams three pointer off Mike Brown's fastbreak gave the Friars a 7 point lead with 7:32 remaining. Williams finds it more difficult to score now that many opponents are triple teaming him: "Now that guys know what to expect it's a lot tougher getting open." Following this benchmark, the Friars would close out the half with a 40-38 lead following a Wheeler foul shot.

Still reeling from his sickness, Williams was plagued by a 1-9 shooting second half, while Troy Brown received a quick third personal foul on Cuttino Mobley's dunk, creating a potential frontcourt disaster. When Cordell Llewellyn

sailed in for a layup at 5:49, the Rams took their first Second half lead at 54-53.

URI continued their surge, maintaining a 6 point lead for six minutes on the shoulders of Mobley and Llewellyn. If Troy Brown hadn't settled down on defense and provided 9 second half points, the lead would've stretched to double digits. "He (Brown) sometimes puts too much pressure on himself", added Gillen.

Despite the continued penetration and 15 point, 8 rebound second half performance of Llewellyn, a Wake Forest transfer, the Friar backcourt was able to compensate. When Murdock stole the ball from Wheeler at 12:23 and sailed in for the dunk, it was the start of a 5-0 Friar run, giving PC the lead for the rest of the game.

The game went down to the wire for the final eight minutes, with Murdock and Llewellyn trading baskets. The Rams made their final run when Mobley sank a three pointer with one minute remaining, cutting their deficit to one point. However, PC wouldn't become rattled, and Western's heads-up fouling of Mobley who was thinking three pointer, sealing an 80-77 PC victory. This also marked the end of three days of competitive Rhode Island basketball, a trend the Friars must hope won't be the case when they host Bryant College on December 21.

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Sports

Up Close With Sarah Miller: Scoring A Thousand

by Annica Ambrose '96

Assistant Sports Editor

At the start she was just "one of the boys"; for the Lady Friars she would become "the woman." Sarah Miller is a fierce competitor for the Providence College women's basketball team. As a junior, she has established her reputation as an aggressive and unselfish player. Not only has she been a prominent player on the basketball court, but Sarah is also held in high regard by her teammates. On a team that consists of a "blend" of substantially different individuals, each member may sometimes see a little of themselves in Sarah's unique personality.

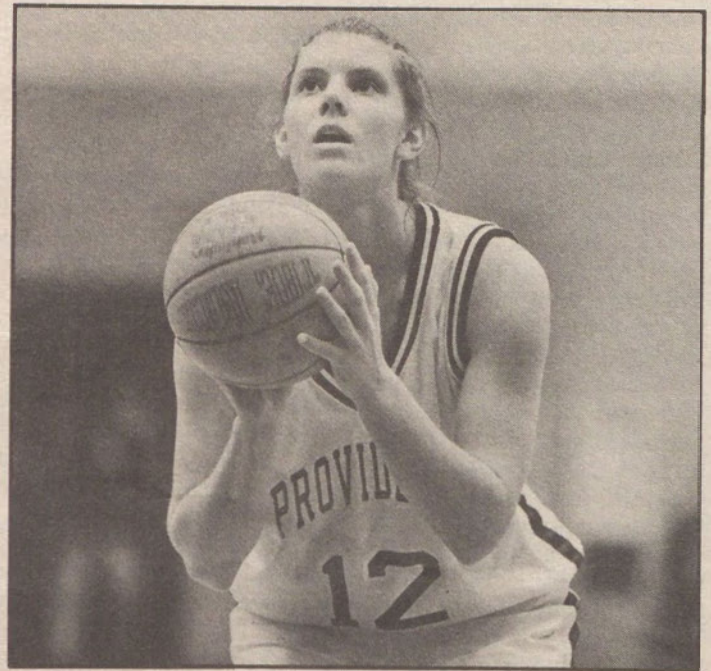
Sarah's basketball career began in third grade when she played for a youth league in her hometown of Killingworth, Connecticut.

She was playing with children her age, all of whom were boys. This all-male competition didn't phase Sarah in the least and she continued to pursue her basketball career through junior high and high school, becoming the most valuable player on the Haddam-Killingworth High School girl's team. The highlight of her high school career occurred during her senior year when she scored her 1,000th point. Her teammates brought with them a cake to the record-breaking game that was baked in the shape of the number 1,000.

Sarah cites her AAU coach, Bernie Brennan, as a big influence on her playing skills. "I have always been a hard worker, but he really emphasized this with me," said Sarah, who has certainly proved to take full advantage of her hard work ethic.

Providence recruited Sarah Miller in the summer before her senior year in high school. When she began to play at PC, she saw the biggest difference in the fact that "everyone was so good." Well, include Sarah in that group of good players. She has earned and maintained a decent amount of playing time in the past three years and has always been considered a steady player on the court. Her tall frame has allowed her strength in rebounding with a career high of 16 rebounds against BC in the Big East tournament. She feels she is weak in the offense and would like to work on that area of her game.

Few can mention Sarah Miller without making a comment like "she's great" or "Sarah's awesome." As a psychology major, she plans to take some time off from school after graduation and "see some things," (possibly farmland?). As for basketball, Sa-



rah knows she will always be a player and, of course, she would take an overseas opportunity if one were to come up. Though she has not yet scored "1,000" in her

college career, Sarah has scored thousands of points in the eyes of her friends and teammates.

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In the second half, PC continued their domination hitting an impressive 12 out of 25 three-point attempts. The swarming defense of the Lady Friars overcame Fordham and created even more scoring opportunities as they rolled to an easy 96-63 win in their season opener.

PC was not as fortunate in their next game against Rutgers on the road. Eight minutes into the game Mandy Saunders was injured and she had to come out of the game. Ayanna Walden replaced Mandy but the Lady Friars could not recover from the emotional loss of their floor leader. Rutgers took advantage of PC's inconsistency and built a 43-36 going into the intermission.

The Lady Friars played a tighter second half but were unable to overcome the lead of Rutgers. Nadine Malcolm came up big once again with 26 points while Ayanna Walden brought home 15 taking over for the injured Mandy Saunders. Rutgers held on to win, 88-80, in an emotionally taxing game where PC saw quite possibly their best player hurt.

Fresh off their game of gross disappointment, the Lady Friars returned home to face sixth-ranked Penn

State. PC played tough defense at the start but the Lady Lions were able to build a 27-22 lead. PC got as close as one point on several occasions but just couldn't get over the hump. At the half the score was 31-30 in favor of Penn State.

The second half belonged to Penn State. PC couldn't match the momentum of their opponents. At one point, Penn State scored six points in a matter of eleven seconds on botched inbound passes. In the end The Lady Friars could not keep up as they bowed to Penn State 73-67. Nadine Malcolm had 22 points in a losing effort.

"We played well," said Coach Foley, "Their defense really hurt our game. We didn't shoot well either. That's why they're sixth in the nation."

Then the Lady Friars battled interstate rival URI. PC had one the last seventeen meetings between these two teams but URI was intent on giving PC a game. Rhode Island shocked PC early on jumping out to an early 14-9 advantage but The Lady Friars got things under control by half-time with the lead 51-34 in favor of the Lady Friars.

The second half was a back and forth battle. The Lady Friars would open up a lead but the URI would

close the gap. Heide Moyano paced the Lady Friars with 27 points and Jen Davis had 17 of her own in a dominating 87-71 win at URI.

On Wednesday, The Lady Friars faced a tough Harvard team. PC played them tough first half and took 49-43 lead. The game boiled down to the last thirty seconds of the game. Harvard led 98-96 but Nadine Malcolm got the ball down low and connected and got the foul in the act. Nadine hit on the free throw to make it a 99-98 PC lead. But cruel fate did the Lady Friars in once again when Harvard's Elizabeth Proudfit hit a fade away jumper to give Harvard a one point lead at 100-99 with only seconds. PC got the ball to Ayanna Walden but she couldn't get a shot of.

The Lady Friars next game is Saturday at home against Georgetown. Be there to give PC your support in their first Big East game of the year.

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Ticket Prices Go UP

Athletic department seeks more fans with increase

by Cory McGan '98
Sports Writer

A decision by the Providence College Athletic Department to raise the cost of student tickets for men's basketball home games from three dollars to five dollars was implemented last week for the University of Rhode Island game. The increase is parallel to the rise of ticket prices for non-students which range from a low of \$12 to a high of \$17.50. The cost increase was the first rise in student prices in fifteen years.

The recommendation for the increase of the prices was made by Athletic Director John Marinatto. The reason given for raising the prices was to create the image that the basketball tickets are in demand. He hopes that by raising the prices the concept that the basketball tickets are a good product will enter students' minds. The idea that the ad-

ministration is doing it to raise more money is false. "(The decision) was not financial," said Mr. Marinatto, "the money that it brings in is minimal."

Compared with other Big East schools, Providence has one of the lowest student ticket prices available. Compare that with the fact that Friar games are held off-campus, meaning the athletic department must rent the Providence Civic Center, it is an even greater discrepancy. The University of Miami doesn't charge it's students for admission to contests, while the University of Pittsburgh has the cheapest student ticket prices at two dollars a game. St. John's University doesn't offer a student ticket price so they are required to pay twenty dollars.

The problem seems to be that these Big East schools continue to draw student crowds, while Provi-

dence doesn't, leading to the decision made by Mr. Marinatto to raise the prices. Says Mr. Marinatto, "I want to have as many students come to the game as possible, however, students don't seem to come... there is some kind of apathy on this campus."

After doing research during the summer break, the idea was to raise the prices in hopes of putting a "premium" on the tickets. According to Marinatto "If you put a premium on it people realize you have a product. If you give it away, the people don't think that it has any value."

Student reaction has been quite negative. Juniors and Seniors just don't seem to care either way, but freshmen and sophomores react quite differently. "It's stupid. If we're apathetic anyway, by raising the ticket prices it would only cause me to go to fewer games," says one

sophomore. One freshman said "if I want to go to just ten games this year, that's a

twenty dollar difference." For some students that figure is their savings account balance.



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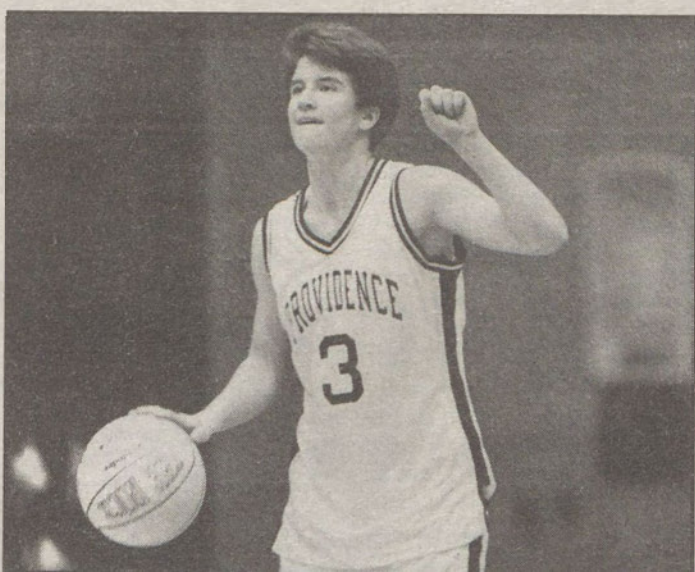
Saunders Sidelined

by Pieter J. Ketelaar '97
Sports Writer

For Lady Friar's point guard Mandy Saunders, their season is over before it really got started.

Having suffered a devastating injury in last week's game against Rutgers in which she tore her ACL ligament, Mandy has been lost for the remainder of the season.

"Mandy will undergo major reconstructive surgery of her leg hopefully before Christmas." Head Coach Bob Foley said, "It really changes our team without her. We lose her quickness at the point guard position and one of the best in the Big East at what she does. We need to accept what has



Mandy Saunders '97

happened and move on. We still have an entire season ahead of us."

The Providence College Women's basketball team's season is now in full

swing and the Lady Friars are currently 2-3 having played the likes of Fordham, Rutgers, Penn State, Rhode Island, and Harvard.

The Lady Friars opened the 1994-95 basketball season with a strong showing against Fordham at home. PC got off to an early lead exploiting the slowness of Fordham off the fast break. Mandy Saunders and Nadine Malcolm lit Fordham up for 19 points apiece while Kerri Chatten chipped in 15 points of her own in an all out team effort. The Lady Friars took a 47-33 first half lead going into the locker room.

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Home Sweet Home

by Scott LaPrade '97
Sports Writer

The NCAA Championships have certainly made the Lady Friar cross country team feel right at home, having placed in the top 10, in the nation for five consecutive years. This year would be NO DIFFERENT. The squad earned a fifth place finish, behind star speedsters Amy Rudolph (#2), Marie McMahon (#14, #20 overall), and freshman Maria Cambridge (#29, #40).

There were both everyday occurrences and surprising moments at the NCAA's, which were held on November 21st. The Rudolph-Rhines battle continued, culminating into a repeat performance of the ECAC Championships. Jennifer Rhines and her Villanova teammates both earned first honors. A bit of a surprise engulfed everybody with the emergence of a strong Michigan crew, who bypassed Arkansas, Colorado, and PC to take hold of second place. The Lady Friars were the 4th ranked team going into the meet. Coach Ray Treacy stated, "Any of the Top 5 could have won! Villanova was just a step ahead today."

With the close of the fall cross-country season, there comes the beginning of indoor track. As distances increase above 800m, "there is a trend that develops," Treacy commented. He was referring to the correlation of

distance to success; as the distance of the race increases so does the PC success rate. This philosophy regarding the Providence squad held water at the December 3rd Brown Invitational. The Lady Friars attained the top three spots in both the 1000m and the 3000m. Also, they placed runners in the top three in the mile and the 4x800m. Susan Murnane (1000m), Krissy Haacke (3000m), and the team of McCarthy, Harrington, Burke, and Davey (4x800m) were the top finishers in their categories. PC did not place in the top three in the 200, 400, or 500m races, following the "Treacy Trend".

The men had successes in many of the same categories. Gary Blair and Steve Myers finished first in the 800 and 1000m races, respectively and in the 4x800m contest, the quartet of Myers, Kent, Libano, and Blair earned a time of 8-02.68 en route to victory. Also, Glen Bernard and Frank Monks earned 2nd and 3rd place honors in the 500m race. Lastly, in other events: Dom Fernandes gained a 2nd place finish in the high jump at 6 feet-6 inches; Chris Boyce threw the shot-put 44 feet-5 1/4 inches for 4th place.

Both squads have started on the right foot. With improvement in the shorter races, PC could turn their winning ways into domination.

Friars Fall to Hoyas

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by Justin Macione '95
Sports Editor

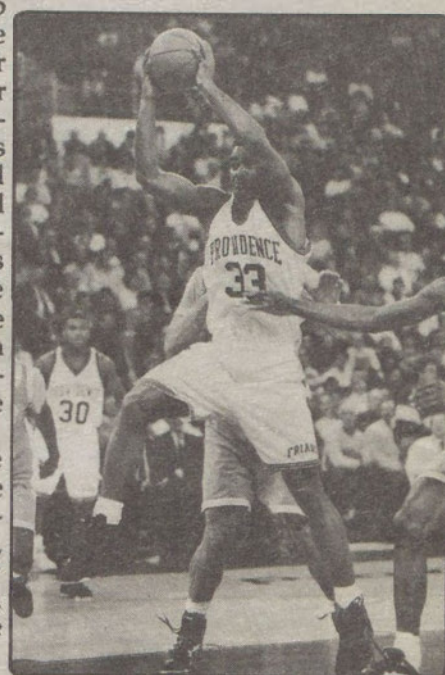
When a Big East ball club visits an opposing arena, they can usually expect a fairly cold welcome. But when the PC basketball team visited Georgetown at the Capital Centre last night,

they faced a deep freeze. First, the drafty floor was far from temperate after Tuesday night's Bullets-Phoenix Suns game was postponed due to moist and cool hardwood conditions. The Friars didn't receive the warmest welcome from the opposition either, dropping a 76-74 heartbreaker to the Hoyas.

Providence led the contest for the first thirty nine minutes of the game, starting when Troy Brown opened with a rolling hook shot, the

start of an 11-2 run. Strong rebounding and transition baskets from Brown and Eric Williams paced the Friars while stymieing the Georgetown frontcourt. Williams led all scorers with 27 points.

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Troy Brown helped pace the Friar front court versus Georgetown

One Step Back

by Keith Christensen '96
Sports Writer

The hump. It seems that when a team is trying to put it together, there is always the need to "get over the hump." That's what the PC men's ice hockey team tried to do the past three weeks. Unfortunately, the Friars, try as they might, simply could not get over the hump against Hockey East-leading Maine and always tough UNH. The Friars lost two one goal games against the Black Bears before Thanksgiving, came within six seconds of felling UNH on the road last Friday before winning the shoot-out, and then took two steps backwards Saturday night at home against the Wildcats. Perhaps most frustrating of all is that, save for Saturday's route, they have played well enough to win. Dan Dennis continues to shine in net, stopping at least 26 shots in each of the last four games, and the sparkling play of Joe



Hulbig, who has scored in nine straight games (6-4-10), and George Breen has given PC a much needed second line to share some of the scoring load with seniors Chad Quenneville and Brady Kramer, who continue to fill the net and create opportunities. The Friars are now 4-6-2 (2-5-2 in Hockey East) with two league contests, both against Northeastern,

remaining this semester.

On the road against UNH Friday night, Providence put together one of its best efforts of the young season. Playing in antiquated J.F.K. Arena in Manchester (UNH's temporary home while it builds a new arena on campus), the Friars gave the Wildcats all they could handle in an exciting, see-saw battle. Trailing 1-0 after