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Christmas In April Unites PC with the Community

by Erin R. King '98
News Editor

The Providence College community came together to participate in Providence's Third Annual Christmas in April on Saturday, April 27th. 75 people associated with the College worked on sites around the city, including one in our own neighborhood: a home on Oakland Avenue.

Twenty-eight volunteers worked at this location, performing a variety of tasks; from rebuilding the front stairs to installing screens, the volunteers did it all. Richard Lebeau of Tiverton was House Captain for the home on Oakland. He explained that the volunteers were updating the home's electrical wiring, painting, cleaning, and doing some structural work.

Bridget McMeel '96 has been volunteering with Christmas in April for the past eleven years. Her father started Kansas City's Christmas in October, and he was Chairman of the Board for Christmas in April USA last year. A collegiate chapter was formed at PC during her sophomore year.

That first year, the PC chapter

had one house to repair. The next year there were three. This year, there were 22 houses affiliated with the Providence chapter. Such remarkable growth attracted the interest of Christmas in April USA President Patricia Johnson and *This Old House* host Steve Thomas. On Saturday morning, they visited the house on Oakland.

Johnson and Thomas joined the homeowner and the volunteers for a little break in the warm morning sun. They offered support and advice. Their visit was truly an honor.

On such a lovely day, one cannot help but ask why a busy college student, a librarian, and a professional contractor would choose to be inside a house in Providence. Contractor Tim Sullivan explains it as "a chance to pay back a little bit. I've been lucky."

Meg Wrona '96 and Susi St. Laurent '97 were two of the volunteers from PC. Wrona, who volunteered for Christmas in April last year, summed it up as "a really worthwhile experience." St. Laurent agreed. "It's really great to work around the neighborhood," she said.

McMeel also enjoys working

near PC. "People walk by this house every-day," she said. "This is bringing the community and the school together."

For the past two years, Bill Meehan '96 has participated in Christmas in April. Last year, he worked on an elderly person's home on nearby Longwood Avenue. This year, he found himself even closer to home. "[People are] really blind to what's going on right next door," he said. "It opens your eyes."

McMeel was extremely impressed with the volunteers' work. Although some supplies were not at the house first thing in the morning, the volunteers went to work as soon as they arrived later in the day, and the home was completed right on schedule. "It was unbelievable how everyone worked together," she said.

"People have been coming up



Bridget McMeel '96 and a new friend take a break to greet Friar Boy

by Erin R. King

to me and saying, 'Bridget, I've driven by the house three times, and it looks great!'," she added. The shrubs have been clipped, and the house itself is ready for spring.

The homeowner, a single mother with five children, was also very pleased with the work the team had done. "By the end of the

day, the youngest child was asking me, 'When are you going to come over again to play with me?'" McMeel said with a smile. Although the volunteers began the day as strangers, they left the home that afternoon having made a huge difference in the lives of six neighbors.

Food Service Concerns and Changes

by Kristina Newman '99
News Writer

Recently there has been much debate over the structure of the college's food service and meal plan.

On Monday, April 29, students were invited to share their ideas and concerns regarding the overall food program on campus.

An open forum was held in '64 Hall and was conducted by members of Cini-Little, the food services consultation firm hired by the College to aid in the planning process. Approximately sixty students turned out to voice their opinions.

A major complaint that surfaced is the way the meal plan is structured. Presently, the college offers a 15-meal per week plan as well as a 19-meal per week plan.

However, the plans are not very flexible. If a student misses a meal for whatever reason (illness, a late class, etc.) he or she loses money because the meal cannot be eaten at a later date.

It was suggested that a point system be installed to replace the existing meal plan. Under a point system, points would be deducted from a predetermined amount each time the student entered the cafeteria.

Another idea was that the cur-

rent meal plans be retained, but let the numbers of meals permitted each week be used at any time, rather than adhering to the strict three meals per day allowance.

Another issue that arose on Monday concerned the provider of the food. Currently, six outside options, including the Marriott, are being considered. However, Providence will not hire a service that does not allow the work study jobs to continue.

Another problem that must be considered deals with the staff presently employed by the Food Services Department. The question of their job security must be taken into consideration.

A third major concern regarding changes in food service is the architecture of Raymond Cafeteria itself. The building itself was constructed in 1959, and the lifestyles of today's students are quite different than those of the students for whom the cafeteria was built.

The college does not want to rush into changing the physical structure immediately. Admittedly, changes must be made, but it is important to consider the options available so that any alterations made are done the correct way and do not have to be changed

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Relaxing Retreat Weekend

by Colleen E. Pappas '99
Asst. News Editor

Looking for a relaxing weekend getaway? Fifteen Providence College students found exactly that this past weekend as they embarked on an Encounter With Christ retreat at the St. Benedict Abbey in Merrimack Valley.

The weekend was sponsored by the Chaplain's Office, and the retreatants were accompanied by Fr. Vincent DeLucia, O.P., Asst. Chaplain of the College. For two days the group participated in

prayers and discussions while enjoying the beautiful weather and scenery.

"It's a great time for spiritual growth and encountering Christ in each other," expressed Fr. DeLucia. "We talk about the different things that we do in our lives to encounter Christ, and sometimes the obstacles to encountering Christ."

Six of the students participated as group leaders and organized the discussion groups, speaking on topics such as Christian values, obstacles to God's friendship, knowing yourself, and how we minister God's friendship.

The retreat leaders were students who had been on previous retreats and wanted to participate in the experience again.

Katie Robinson '96 was a retreat team leader. "I had gone on a retreat last April because I really needed to renew my faith and relationship with God. I was interested in doing it again, and then Father Vincent asked me if I would like to be a group leader," she explained. "I wanted to help other people have the experience that I had."

Other retreat leaders included Victor Bergeron '96, Jen Piehler

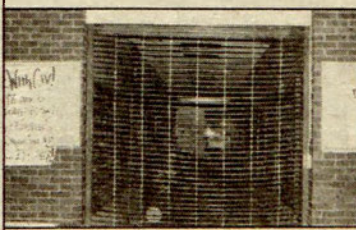
'97, Joy Emerson '97, Steve Brown '98, and Alison Garofalo '98.

"Being a group leader is definitely a different experience," noted Emerson. "You're able to see everything as a whole, to see the retreatants' views and beliefs. I think that when you have a small group you can really get in touch with people and see how they interact with each other."

"It's a great way to get away for the weekend and come back refreshed and relaxed," added

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Mailbox Mystery



by Kelly Spillane

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News Briefs

Indecent Exposure

by Erin R. King '98
News Editor

Recently, there has been some alarm regarding a "Security Alert" posted around campus. It warns of a man who reportedly "exposed his genitals to students in the library" on Tuesday, April 16. A description of the suspect follows, and instructions to "please call Security if the subject is seen on campus."

According to Security Chief Philip Reilly, the subject has been

"seen on two occasions, but hasn't been seen since."

With such buildup, many students are understandably worried about the matter. However, Chief Reilly continues, it "may not have been a real exposure thing." Quite possibly, the subject was "sitting in a position where his clothing was exposing his genitals...[we're] not sure whether or not he was conscious of it."

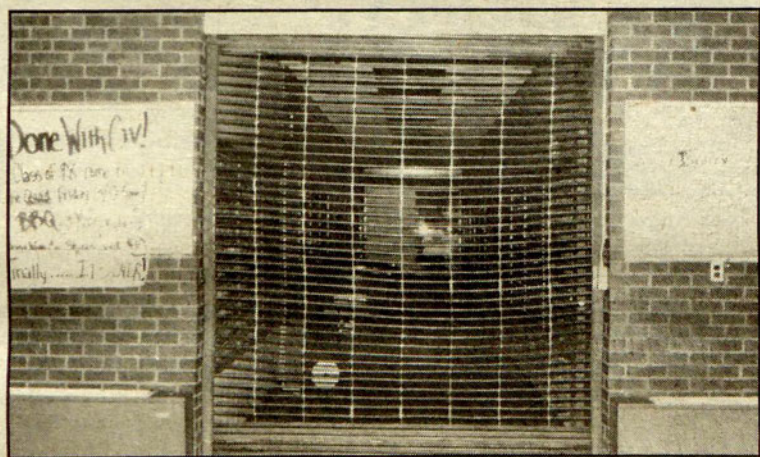
If anyone harasses you, call Security at 865-2391 or, for emergencies, call 865-2222.

Mailbox Mystery Solved!

by Kristina Newman '99
News Writer

For the past couple of weeks, students have not been able to access their mailboxes in lower Slavin Center after 8pm. Security has been pulling down the gates at each end of the hallway where the mailboxes are located. These gates

have always been present and were supposed to be closed every night at 8pm. However, this action was not necessary until recently. There have been several incidents of credit card theft from the mailboxes and general damage done to them as well. Because of these breaches of security, it is now necessary to use the protective gates.



Security concerns led to the new appearance of Lower Slavin

by Kelly Spillane

Alpha Epsilon Delta Announces Inductees

by Mark Nowel, O.P.
Moderator, AED

Twenty-one Providence College students were inducted into the Rhode Island chapter of Alpha Epsilon Delta, the National Pre-medical Honor Society. The induction was held on Sunday, April 28, at 4:00 p.m. in 137 Albertus Magnus Hall.

The students who were inducted are: Nicole Arcand, Zachary Donhauser, Andrea Faustino, Anthony Gallo, Simona Gaudio, Robert Hill, Jennifer Ho, Aime Levesque, Emmy Mahoney, Andrea Mazzacua, Megan McCarthy, and Blythe Pikosky of the Class of 1998; Audra Menditto,

Viradeth Phiuphonphan, Mary Pickering, and Laura Walker of the Class of 1997; and Tracy Evans, Richard Molloy, Colleen Nolan, Ryan Novak, and Paulina

AED

Zolotarevsky of the Class of 1996.

At the induction ceremony, Nicole Arcand was presented with the Freshman Biology Major of the Year (for 1995) Award.

Alpha Epsilon Delta was founded in 1926, and has grown to include a membership of 89,000 in 163 chapters. Fr. Charles V. Reichert, O.P., established the

Providence College Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Delta in 1954.

The object of the Society is to encourage and recognize excellence in scholarship directed towards the Health Care Professions; to stimulate an appreciation of the importance of premedical education in the study of medicine; to promote cooperation and contacts between medical and premedical students and educators in developing an adequate program of premedical students and educators in developing an adequate program of premedical education; to bind together similarly interested students; and to use its knowledge for the benefit of health organizations, charities, and the community.

Balfour Center Update

by Colleen E. Pappas '99
Asst. News Editor

On April 20, 1996 the Second Annual Fashion Show sponsored by BMSA in cooperation with the Balfour Center for Multicultural Affairs took place in '64 Hall. The event was a great success, attended by approximately 120 people. Twenty Providence College students participated as models in the show, wearing clothes donated by such companies as GAP, Eddie Bauer, Olympia, Contempo Casuals, and Guess, with gowns provided by Filamena's Bridal Shoppe of East Providence. PC students LaGina Means, Erica Anglon, Tanya Brooks and Tanielra McFadden, all '96, orga-

nized the event. Susan Pires '97, Alsa Farlow '98, and Soamoya Rankins '99 served as Masters of Ceremonies.

The 4th Annual Providence College Hispanic Expo will take place this Saturday, May 4th, in the Feinstein Center. The event, sponsored by Amigos Unidos, will feature a dance troupe and student poetry. The Keynote Speaker will be from the Blackstone Valley Community Health in Central Falls. Elections for the Executive Board of the club will take place prior to the evening. The new Executive Board will also be introduced at the Expo. The master of Ceremonies will be Alison Wheeler '97. All students are welcome to attend.

Meal Plan Rumors Abound

by Yvonne Arsenault '99
News Writer

Recently, one of the most frequently discussed topics on campus has been the food service. This includes the quality of food, the food selection, and the meal plan. One of the most popular meal plans is the seven-meal plan. Food Services dispels the recent rumor about the disposal of this plan.

The seven-meal plan is widely popular with the commuters and with apartment residents. It is a nice transition from the every-day, every-meal plan to the "real" world where one has to prepare every meal themselves.

The seven-meal plan is a recent addition to the food services offered at Providence College. By taking away this option, many students here would find themselves at a loss. A number of apartment residents depend on this meal plan to pull them through the year. Since it is a "guaranteed" meal, students know that they will eat even if their pocketbooks are saying that is not possible. Parents can view it as an assurance that their son or daughter is at least getting one good meal a day.

If there is a question as to whether or not this is a good meal plan option, the answer should most certainly be yes. Many students would find themselves in a bind without this meal plan. Food services are here to meet the needs of the students and this meal plan was designed to accommodate many different students. The needs have not changed and this meal plan is still necessary.

Tau Pi Phi Induction Held Last Night

Tau Pi Phi, the Honor Society for accounting, business, and economics students, held its induction ceremony on Wednesday evening, May 1, 1996. The inductees for 1996 are:

Accountancy: Peter M. Berard, Scott J. Biondi, Meghan E. Burke, Donna M. Cote, Nicholas J. Deldon, Maureen B. Duquette, Nicole M. Gaspar, Kerri A. Lanzire, Sarah C. Maher, Andrew

M. McClure, Christian B. Meyer, Sarah A. Perotti, Christi M. Skill,

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Brian R. Soucy, Brian J. Vadney, and Brian M. Volpe.

Finance: Robert B. Baker, Andrew M. Otiento (Double Major—Finance/Management), Gary S.

Pires, and John S. Rogers.

Health Policy and Management: Katie F. Adams, Jennifer A. Dopart, Amy M. Gianoli, Kara E. Gosart, Vera Schomer, and Cara L. Zdanis.

Management: Ryan A. Alger, Peter J. Barbato, Kimberly A. Castro, Glenn F. Cormier, Mark A. Hibbert, Thomas F. Kelly, Jr., Stephen N. Li, Anthony W. Lodi, Meghan E. McCarthy, Thomas P.

Morrill, Ryan M. Olohan, Sharon A. Riddle, Cara P. Rubino, Amy L. Silver, Brian T. Spiro, Khoeuch Tieang, and Anthony J. Troilo, Jr.

Marketing: Leanne M. Abild, Erin J. Fryar, Stephen M. Greene, James B. Hept, Rebecca L. Jalowiec, Daniel J. Kennedy, Christie J. Laughran, Lauren E. Mack, John A. Russnok, F. Michael Scafati, and Jennifer J. Toto.

Environmental strides in Massachusetts

Massachusetts Governor William F. Weld is making strides in cutting down on government red tape concerning environmental permits.

Many companies will no longer need to acquire annual permits to discharge low concentrations of chemicals into sewers. With Weld's proposed action, companies will in theory save themselves as well as the state time and money by merely presenting documents that show the amounts of chemical discharge are remaining below state requirements.

"For too long government has been telling companies how to meet standards for environmental protection," stated Weld. These new proposals would leave more responsibilities to the individual companies as opposed to the Department of Environmental Protection. *compiled from The Boston Globe*

Highlights from The Wall Street Journal

Clinton ordered the federal school lunch program to begin buying as much as \$50 million of beef for the next school year immediately, and eased some grazing restrictions in an effort to help cattle farmers. Meanwhile, the Justice Department will investigate possible oil-industry collusion on prices.

U.S. Marines killed three Liberian gunmen in battles outside the U.S. Embassy in Monrovia. A cease-fire has broken down, and the nominal government was forced to flee its headquarters. A top U.S. diplomat arrived to try to arrange a truce, and blamed warlord Charles Taylor, a ruling-council member, for starting the recent fighting.

The Unabomber suspect asked the Supreme Court to order a hearing on his request that he not be prosecuted because of

extensive government leaks linking him to an 18-year bombing campaign. An appeals court dismissed the request last week.

Busy Week: The IRS received about 27 million individual income-tax returns for the week ended April 19. A spokesman said that was the largest one-week volume ever, and was up from around 24 million in the corresponding 1995 week. That raised this year's total to 103.4 million, up 0.2% from the previous year.

More people file returns electronically. As of April 19, the Internal Revenue Service had received about 12 million individual returns by Touch-Tone phone, up from 680,000 a year earlier.

The United Nations said it is out of cash for operating expenses and must borrow from a fund set up to repay countries that send troops on peacekeeping missions,

the secretary-general's office said. The world body is strapped because of members' failure to pay dues. U.S. arrears are by far the largest.

Serbs again blocked Muslim refugees from visiting homes in Serb-held parts of Bosnia. NATO and Bosnian officials squabbled over who was responsible for protecting freedom of movement, a right guaranteed by the Dayton peace accord. Meanwhile, U.N. officials said Serbs are leaving an enclave in eastern Croatia ahead of a treaty deadline.

Inflation worries sparked by soaring grain and gasoline prices may be overstated, economists say. They don't expect the increases to stick, and note that such items aren't as significant to inflation as they once were.

Special thanks to Zack Ventress '99 for his assistance in compiling this page.

Best of
luck to
the
Class of
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Food, Continued

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again in a few years.

Students in attendance at the forum also expressed their opinions over the quality of the food. Students are concerned with the lack of available healthy meals. Granted, minor improvements have been made this year with the addition of vegetarian items served in Ray, but that does not mean that those choices appeal to every health-conscious student. Also, Mural Lounge offers very few dishes that are not fried; it is another area that could use improvement.

There have been beneficial changes in food service this year, including the availability of cereal all day. Many changes for the future have been suggested, although not every one can be accomplished immediately or even by next fall. It is still unclear as to how the program will be changed; these are only suggestions for now. Mr. McGovern, director of Food Services, is committed to changes in the facilities. The goal is to make PC's Food Services as good as those at other colleges. Right now, however, it is uncertain as to what changes will be made or when they will be accomplished.

by Tammy Ledoux '99
News Writer

ROTC held its annual Leadership Excellence Awards Ceremony last Sunday. According to Recruiting Operations Officer Cpt. Michael McNamara, "over 75 cadets from PC, Brown University, Bryant College, CCRU, and the University of Massachu-

setts at Dartmouth received awards.

"It was very good," said McNamara. "It was the biggest crowd since I've been here—over 200 people."

The afternoon began with an invocation by Rev. James A. Driscoll, O.P. followed by remarks from Professor of Military Science LTC Andre E. Thibeault '76. The

guest speaker was Mr. J. Peter Benzie, Jr. '70. A benediction was given by Rev. Thomas McGonigle, O.P.

The first award was the Department of the Army Superior Cadet Award. Three PC students as well as three Bryant College students received this honor. Among them was John Maloney '98. "In the explanation of the award, they said it is the most prestigious ROTC award. It is a big honor and I am really happy I was selected, said Maloney. Other PC students receiving the award were Timothy Starke '99 and Neil Bennet '97.

Michelle McCarron '96 received the Providence College President's Trophy. The award is based on military excellence and character and academic achievement. "I am really excited about winning it because I will be presented with it again at the Senior Awards on May 17," exclaimed McCarron, who was also a recipient of the Distinguished Military Students Award. Ryan Alger '96 also received this award.

Sean Chandler '97 received the Association of the United States Army Award. The Reserve Officers' Association Award went to Kerri James '99, Jeffrey Smith '97, and Robert Martin. Kevin Podmore '98 received the Employers Supporting the National Guard and Reserves Award and Christopher Fernandes '97 was the recipient of the Retired Officer Association Award.

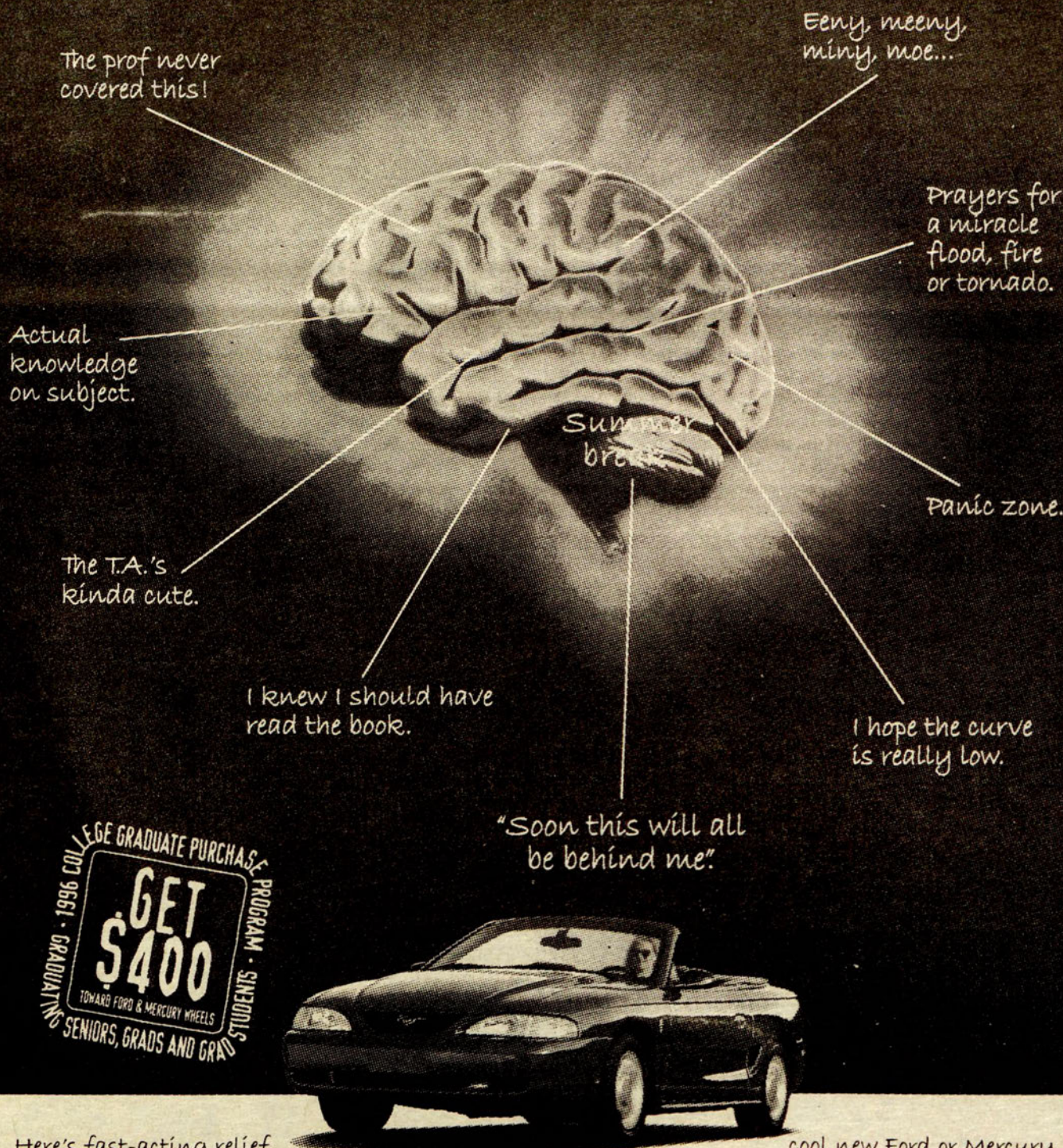
Eric Bachthaler '99 received the Patriot Battalion ROTC Alumni Award. The General Society of the War of 1812 Award went to Shane Finn '98. Jeremy Black '97 was awarded the American Legion Award. The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States of America Award went to Daniel Sarantopoulos. The Military Order of World Wars Awards were granted to Michael Mancini, John Bussolari '97, and Ryan Alger '96. Michael Manning '97 received the National Sojourners Award, and Richard Orr received the Military Orders of Foreign Wars Award.

Matthew Barlow '96 received the American Veterans of World War II, Korea, and Vietnam Award and Jennifer Vincola '97 received the American Veterans Auxiliary Award.

Michael Friess '97 received the 94th Army Reserve Command Award. William Curtin '99, Kevin Rinaldi '98, Christopher Fernandes '97, and Christopher Cooper received the Providence College Alumni Military Academy Achievement Award. The Providence College "Class of '66" Award was given to Gregory Bessette '96 and the Professor of Military Science Special Achievement Award was granted to James Arthur.

Receiving the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Award was Christopher Leahy '97 and the Providence College Alumni Saber Award went to Ryan Alger '96. John Fennell '97 and Thomas Murphy '97 received the Scott Lyons Award and John Folland '97 received the Rhode Island National Guard 19th Special Forces Group Award.

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Class of '99 Update

Hi Freshmen!

Well, it is hard to believe, but we have already completed one year of college. Soon we will be taking our second set of college finals and then embarking on journeys for home. We have witnessed a lot this year.

Many of you attended the Student Congress-sponsored Mid-night Madness, which resulted in a redefinition of the words "pep rally". Of course, it would be hard to forget the Stag and the bands God Street Wine and Letters to Cleo, all of which were sponsored by BOP. Soon we held our Toga Party for the Class of 1999 and all who attended will be sure not to let the memory slip away.

Before long, we were sure to be found selling PC '99 sweatshirts to you in Slavin. We would still like to persuade you to buy a sweatshirt for only \$40 to show your support for our class and the college. Be proud to be a PC student of the Class of 1999.

Before we knew it, winter arrived and exams were only a week away. Who can forget the Civ Scream and the annual streaking of the quad? Once we were over the trauma of exams, we went home to share our experiences with friends and family.

Hopefully, by January, you had embraced the new semester, complete with New Year's resolutions and promises to do better than you had last semester. Although those intentions were good, many of you decided to take a break from the promise to study more and stumbled into Peterson for the Class of 1999 Semi-Formal Stag. The event was extremely successful and everyone, as far as I am aware, had a great time.

After a few weeks we were already out of school again and on spring break. Complete with tanned skin and pleasant memories of our days on the beach (or those in the dreams that we had in our beds in New England), we tried to become reaccustomed with our schedules and college. In order to ease us back into things, BOP sponsored the Spring Stag and the Residence Hall Association Blind Date Balls began. Hopefully, everyone that attended the dances had a terrific time and the pictures to prove it. So here we are, the Class of 1999, surviving as our last week of freshman year passes by, with a new Congress to represent the class and a new Executive Board to represent the school.

Lauren Skryzowski, Vice-President, Class of 1999

After one meeting together, we have already brought up many new ideas for the class next year. I would like to issue a bi-monthly newsletter reporting activities, issues, decisions and such. Lauren would like to encourage the establishment of a coffeehouse in Stuart's and representatives would like to try to strengthen the relationship between the students, Congress and the administration. Therefore, we can speak with great optimism about our upcoming Sophomore year. In fact, next year is filled with Junior Ring Weekend Core selection and planning Done With Civ, and other activities. In addition, the officers aspire to turn personal goals into common goals using our collective talents to work with the class and be the voices for the Class of 1999.

Without question, we look forward to next year and working with you. We have a great deal of work ahead, but the nine of us are energetic, enthusiastic, and eager to do all that we can to represent our class, the Class of 1999. With that, we bid you farewell. We wish each of you good luck on your finals and a safe, fun summer. We look forward to seeing you in September.

Mike Liard, President, Class of 1999

A Curriculum For the Twenty-First Century

by Adair Rommel '98
News Writer

For the past sixteen months, the Curriculum Review Steering Committee (CRSC) has been meeting in order to "design the best possible curriculum for the twenty-first century at a Catholic Dominican school," according to Dr. Hugh Lena, Ph.D., Co-Chair of the CRSC.

The CRSC has been focusing on a comprehensive examination of the current core curriculum and also the possibility of new components such as a modern language proficiency requirement and the concept of a capstone experience. This has been done with the idea that it will assist in creating "the ideal PC graduate," Lena said.

Throughout the CRSC's process, students have been regularly involved. Student Congress has been receiving and reviewing minutes from the committee's meetings. In addition, the Academic Affairs Committee of Student Congress has made several proposals to the CRSC.

Michael Liard, Class of '99 President said "the faculty really appreciated student input and a lot of good ideas came from students."

The greatest student turnout

seemed to be on forums concerning modern language, DWC, and theology, according to Liard.

Beyond Student Congress, study and focus groups on the issue of curriculum review have been formed. These sub-groups discussed issues such as literacy, ethics, and diversity.

The CRSC is currently in their fifth phase of development, and hope to have narrowed down their search to a few proposals by the fall. Lena said, "a lot of people are waiting to see what we're going to do, we have a sense of what we are going to recommend, but do not yet have a proposal."

After the CRSC develops a definite proposal it will then be sent to the President of the Faculty Senate and Academic Administration where it will be deliberated on; and where necessary changes will be made. Ultimately, the President and the Board of Trustees decides when and what will be implemented as the new curriculum. Lena commented that typically, when the President's decision is made, the new curriculum would effect the entering class of the following year. The CRSC planned to have a new time table of when material will get to the Senate today.

Weekend Retreat

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Emerson.

Retreatant Danielle Boudreau '99 echoed Emerson's sentiments, remarking, "I'd go back now if I could. It was such a great experience."

"You really get to know people on such a different level, away from school," explained Boudreau. "You get to know who they are, not just in the superficial sense or the material sense, because everyone is kind of a different person at school than they are in the retreat situation."

For many students the retreat offered a weekend to get away from the pressures of school and enjoy the Merrimack Valley area and have time to spend on their own.

Commented Kirsten Howe '99, "I would definitely go on a retreat again, it was such a great experience; the great part was that we had so much time to reflect, to take a step back and relax."

Steve Brown, '98, who attended a retreat in November and came back to be a group leader, remarked, "I was honored to be a leader and I thought I could share my personal experiences with Christ with other people."

Brown's talk centered around obstacles to God's friendship during which he pointed out, "we need to love ourselves before we can have a friendship with God."

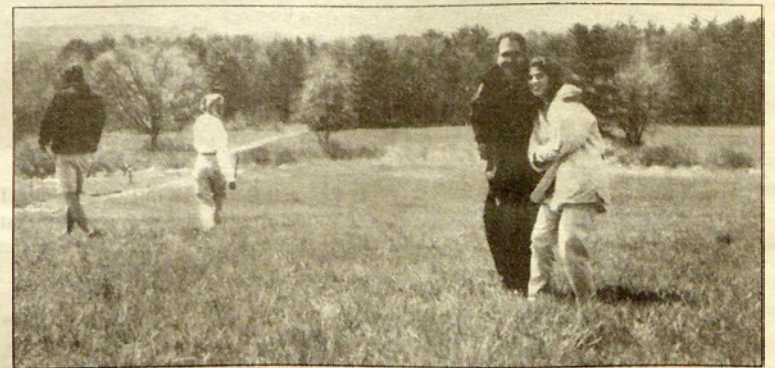
"The retreats are definitely good experiences," added Brown. "They allow you to get away from school and from the stress of everyday life."

Though the number of students was smaller than at previous retreats during the year, Fr. DeLucia feels that this may have been a blessing in disguise.

"This retreat was exceptional in that although there were small numbers, we were represented by each class in the college. That was really great because we get a lot of different perspectives," observed Fr. DeLucia.

He was very pleased with the retreat team. "We had an extremely strong team this time and they did an excellent job preparing their speeches and organizing the weekend," he said.

"I think people were able to interact more freely because there were fewer people," continued Fr. DeLucia. "You bring your own experience and your faith journey to this whole dynamic; the dialogue is sometimes intense and always insightful, and it is always centered on knowing Christ better, but before you know Christ better, you have to know yourself."



by Jen Piehler

Last weekend's beautiful weather and the pristine scenery of the Merrimack Valley helped make PC's retreat a success

Committee Responds to Walsh Controversy

Mike Dever '98 recently issued a statement regarding the Student Congress election controversy. The Cowl is publishing the statement below, however the opinions issued in this statement do not necessarily represent the views of The Cowl.

Statement of Committee on Legislative Affairs Regarding the Hearing on Charges of Elections Misconduct Against Mike Walsh

The committee on legislative affairs conducted a hearing regarding the allegations of elections misconduct against Mike Walsh, candidate for Executive Board president, brought forth by Meghan Wrona, Chairperson of the Elections Committee. A fair hearing was conducted, with members of the Committee on Legislative Affairs acting as the General Court. Our job was to maintain impartiality, see that Mike Walsh's rights were respected, determine whether to uphold or dismiss the claims the five complaints and to give proper punishment.

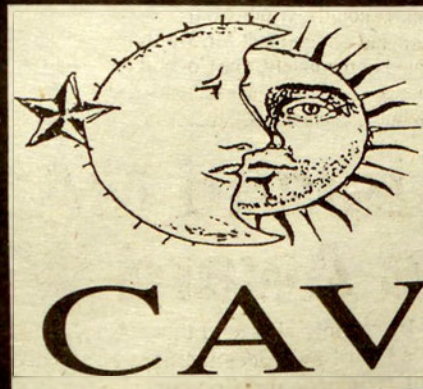
Committee members were under intense pressure due to the fact that many they knew were involved. Both sides were allowed to have witnesses. Of the five charges originally brought forth, the committee found Mr. Walsh guilty of two. They were:

-Breaking of a verbal agreement with Meghan Wrona, the Chairperson Elections.

-Misconduct of supporters whose actions, under the Constitution, the candidate is responsible for.

The Constitution of the Congress does state that the only punishments that our committee could give out in this case were a warning of disqualification from the election. As a committee, we thought that a warning would be far too lenient in the face of these serious charges. We also found total disqualification to be too severe a punishment because it would involve nullifying the election, a punishment which require the most extreme viola-

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Volunteers Honored at Tuesday Evening's Appreciation Dinner

by Jessica Cotrone '99
News Writer

Service is an integral part of any Catholic school, which is the reason Providence College sponsors the Pastoral Service Organization (PSO) and Campus Ministry. These two organizations, headed by Father Joseph Barranger, O.P., Chaplain of the college, work with PC students to help better the world around them. Some of the programs sponsored by these groups include Habitat for Humanity, PAX Christi, PC for Life, lectors, altar servers, and eucharistic ministers.

Tuesday, April 30th was the annual Appreciation Awards Dinner to recognize all the hard work these volunteers have done throughout the year. "We like to give appreciation awards to recognize people's good works and intentions," Fr. Barranger stated.

A Mass at Aquinas Chapel was followed by a dinner in Mural Lounge. Fr. Barranger requested that everyone stand and hold hands



Sister Annette Desmarais, O.P. chats with some of the volunteers honored at the annual event

by Rachel Watt

while saying grace before the banquet began, thanking the volunteers who had congregated on behalf of the college.

With that the festivities were underway, a buffet dinner being served to the approximately sev-

enty-five people who attended. Midway through the dinner, Father Barranger began to make presentations, expressing that the awards were in "appreciation for all you have done for us."

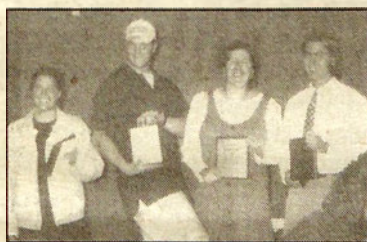
Sr. Annette Desmarais, O.P.

and Fr. Vincent DeLucia, O.P., assistant directors of the Campus Ministry, joined Father Barranger in presenting roses and awards to members of the Class of 1996 who chaired the various committees in PSO and Campus Ministry. The

following people were recognized: Kim Begansky, Habitat for Humanity; Ellen Barrett, ESL (English as a Second Language); Maribeth Page and Laura Earlis, Special Events; Ellen Cressy and Kristen O'Neil, VIPS; Mike Stewart, St. Mary's Home for Children; Pamela Marchant, PSO President; Catherine Roque, PSO Secretary; Lisa Pierce, President of Campus Ministry; David Mastro, Sacristans and Servers; Beth Danesco and Theresa Hennessy, Publicity; Jen Bayly, Receptionist; and Victor Bergeron and Joseph Polchinski, PC for Life.

After the awards were presented the people parted their ways, another year of service completed and the hopes of a bigger and better year hovering over them. One volunteer, Emily Benfer '99, summed up the feelings of the crowd by stating that, "looking around the room filled with giving individuals, one can't help but feel the unconditional love and selfless spirits who joined together to unite the campus under the glory of God."

Katie, Pat, Cristy, & Christian:



We all want to thank you for all that you've done for Urban Action. We'll miss you! Goodbye and Good Luck!

Suzzy	Amanda
Rose Mary	Jennie
Ryan	Rhodri
Matt	Liz
Ray	Bill
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	Sharon

Election Controversy

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tions. Therefore we decided to seek a more moderate punishment, suspension from Congress until November 1996. Despite the fact that this was not a punishment that the Constitution stated our committee could give, we believed it was a fair sentence that fit the violations that were upheld. We also took into account that since this process had never occurred before, the Constitution was very vague on many aspects of the process.

The Constitution states that Mr. Walsh could not demand an appeal unless he was disqualified from the election. Realizing this, the Committee on Legislative Affairs used its option to offer him an appeal in front of the entire Congress. Mr. Walsh refused and instead filed an appeal with the Congress Monitor, Father Stuart McPhail, which was his legitimate right. Father McPhail, citing the fact that the Constitution did not list suspension as a punishment our Committee could give out, overruled our decision and ordered that Mr. Walsh be reinstated immediately. The Committee does not agree with Father McPhail's decision, but accepts it as final.

As Chairperson of the Committee on Legislative Affairs, I would like to acknowledge the fact that there were problems during this long and tedious process due to the fact that this is the first time this process has ever occurred in the school's history. There were also many heated conflicts and differences of opinion. But one fact stands out among all of this. Mike Walsh was treated in a fair and impartial manner during the entire hearing process. My committee and I gave every effort to, see that his rights were respected to the upmost. We carefully weighed the cases of both sides and took several hours to come to a decision to uphold two charges and dismiss the other three charges due to lack of evidence. We then leveled a punishment that we believed to be fair and moderate. Mike Walsh's rights were respected throughout this process. Any suggestions to the contrary is an insult to the integrity of my Committee and the Congress as a whole. I would invite anyone who believes anything to the contrary to see me personally.

Rhode Island MADD Announces Award Winners

Seven Rhode Island high school seniors have been named winners of \$1000 college tuition scholarships in MADD Rhode Island's annual Memorial Scholarship Program. The scholarships are awarded in memory of seven victims of drunk driving and will be presented to the recipients on May 23, 1996.

MADD president Cyndra Moniz, in announcing the following winners, noted that an additional scholarship will be awarded this year.

The family of Kathleen E. Naylor, of North Smithfield, will fund the annual scholarship. Mrs. Naylor, 28, was killed in her town in April, 1992, when a speeding drunk driver crossed into her lane. He was allowed to return to his native Dominican Republic without any incurring penalties. Mrs. Naylor's son, Robert, was 8 years old at the time.

Mrs. Moniz also said that this year's list of awardees includes a set of twins for the first time in MADD's Memorial Scholarship history. The winners and their high schools follow: Maureen Lapre—Cranston East High School; Lisa Rapone—La Salle Academy; Sheri Rapone—La Salle Academy; Michelle Oliveira—Portsmouth High School; Nina Tetrault—Ponaganset High School; Keith Catone—South Kingstown High School; Samuel C. Rindell—Westerly High School.

The annual memorial scholarships perpetuate the memory of the following people:

Denise Allard, 16, of Woonsocket, who was killed in 1992. Her death led Mrs. Pauline Allard to found the RI MADD organization.

Carol Ann Deblois, 18, of Warwick, also killed in 1992.

David Walsh, 23, of Providence, lost his life to a drunk driver in 1986.

Stephen Glasscock, 19, of Woonsocket, killed in 1985.

Brendan Moniz, 7, of Warwick, who was killed in 1988, is the son of current chapter president, Cyndra Moniz and past president David Moniz.

Paul Martin, Jr., 5 of Barrington, killed in 1989.

Kathleen E. Taylor, 28, killed in North Smithfield, 1992.

Mr. Moniz noted that scholarship applicants must have involvement in school and/or community alcohol abuse prevention programs or activities, and would be expected to continue their commitment while in college. Applicants must also have maintained at least a B average in high school. One hundred eighty Rhode Island high school seniors requested applications to join this year's competition.

"Dr. Death" Visits PC

Speaks of Teen Violence and the Consequences

by Robin Erickson '98
News Writer

Last Friday, the Sociology Department sponsored a presentation by Professor James Alan Fox, Dean of Criminal Justice at Northeastern University. To a group of about 35 students and faculty assembled in Moore Hall, Fox gave a speech entitled "The Young and the Ruthless: Growing Juvenile Crime." As a result of his intense research on serial killers, Fox has earned the nickname of "Dr. Death."

He cautions that we are simply enjoying the "calm before the crime storm." Fox predicts the future crime wave is due, in part, to the thirty-nine million children that are presently under the age of ten. Those children, he explains, will be teenagers in the next decade, and will only add to the current crisis of juvenile crime.

Fox feels that "we can do something about" youth crime, yet he cautions that "we are on the verge of a crime wave in America that will last well into the next decade." The rate of teenage crime is skyrocketing and it is now higher than that of young adults who commit crimes. Fox attributes the increase to two factors: guns and attitudes.

"The entire growth in teen violence is with handguns", explained Fox, mostly because of their availability and their increasing power. Fox is a strong advocate of gun control, since murder with a handgun has increased four times in the past decade.

Fox also explained more teens use guns because it is easier to kill this way. He dubs this the "distancing effect" because it is too personal to choke or stab with one's hands.

Fox discussed situations that lend themselves to teens feeling that they can murder over trivial issues. He cited a decline in moral responsibility, and a breakdown of positive forces such as family and church, as contributing to this trend. Fox points the finger at the media for their role in glamorizing violence, as well.

Fox points out that the "prime time for juvenile crime is after school". He sarcastically stated that the teens "have too much time to kill" and the way to put an end to it is to implement more after-school programs and to start them as early as possible when the kids are still in pre-school.

With 10 out of every 100,000 people murdered, 67 percent of which are committed with a handgun, our biggest challenge for the future "is how best to deal with teen violence." Fox stressed that action needs to be taken now if the crime wave is to be stopped.

Fox, who has published twelve books, has appeared regularly on radio and television shows such as 20/20, 48 Hours, Today, and The Oprah Winfrey Show. He meets periodically with President Clinton and Vice President Al Gore to discuss youth violence, and he also gives expert testimony before Congress on such issues of teen crime.

Short End of the Stick

by Amy Rodrigues '97
Editorials Editor

In the past three years that I have been in college, I have noticed a remarkable transformation of my thoughts, my ideas, and my beliefs.

I cannot really pinpoint the exact source of my metamorphosis, because I certainly was not like this three years ago. However, I do know that somewhere and somehow college has opened my eyes to a sometimes unfair, mean, and discriminatory world. I have also learned that rather than accepting the people and organizations I come into contact with as immutable, I must look deeper to see what certain things in this world mean and how they pertain to my life. On this campus, at our jobs, in our everyday lives, we come in contact with people and organizations that may mean to bring some type of service to us, but in the end, somehow do it in a way that is less than what it should be. Three years ago I would have sat idly by, shrugging discrimination complaints off as unnecessary and "bitchy". Not today.

These past three years I, along with my roommates and friends, have been involved in the Women's Intramural Ice Hockey league sponsored by the Intramural Athletic Board (IAB). After winning the Championship last year, we once again submitted a roster to play this year. We were all ready for another season of slow but exciting hockey.

I would say that besides the fun that we have, the reason I love being able to play is that I was never able to play as a child, or at least it was never encouraged. For twelve years, I sat watching my brother play hockey as I was offered all the figure skating lessons in the world. But for some reason, I hated the skating lessons and loved the hockey. This is not something I blame my parents for, because I was never deprived of anything as a child. However, the gender norms and implications were present, although I knew nothing of what they signified or meant. Until now.

What ensued through IAB this past "season" was nothing but blatant sexist discrimination. Our season consisted of four games, all played at midnight, three of which were played against the same team. Many of our games were posted, if at all, on the same day of the game. Our championship game was found to be a "big mistake", because the opposing team was the same team we had just beaten to get to the championship, yet the referee had us play anyway. Our rescheduled game was two days later, the day the ice at Schneider was to be melted. My own team was informed two and a half hours before the game, and the other team right after. Needless to say, neither team had enough players, and neither team was declared champion. That was April second. Now as we approach the last day of school, IAB has informed us that there will not be champions, and no t-shirts will be given out.

You may think that these are simplistic, pretentious complaints that have happened due to the complete lack of professionalism and organization of IAB. And to a large extent, I agree. However, I think that this does not fully convey the experience of many

women's sports teams in IAB. It is only when you compare our schedule, our playing times, and our season's organization with that of the Men's Intramural hockey teams that you see where the blatant sexism lies. Unfortunately, if you visit the IAB office and ask a representative for a showing of the women's games, you will only see a colorful little sign that reads "Women's Ice Hockey." This sign, which is not accompanied by a schedule (because there wasn't one), is symbolically tucked away behind the sign and the schedule for the Men's league. Not only this, but the Men's league, made up of an "A" and "B" league, play earlier at night, and played a significantly greater number of games than we ever did.

It is so obvious to anyone that we were given the short end of the stick. But why? Because we are women? Because we do not play "serious" hockey? I admit, it is not a "serious" game of hockey, but that does not mean that we pay any less, we play any less, or that we deserve any less. My friends and I are sick of taking treatment that is any less than what we deserve. Unequal recognition and treatment based upon the belief that we, as women, are not playing as serious and professional a game as men is perceived only by gender lines that we robotically follow and inherently accept as the norm. IAB, or any other higher authority at PC, may think that they can shrug the "less serious" Women's league off, but they are wrong.

I have a few suggestions for IAB that may help them figure out how to organize a few games for us next year, and also introduce some gender equity into their "system." First, a planned bracket schedule. I understand Schneider Arena was the source of many problems for ice-time this past season. However, this is not quite comprehensible to me because I cannot understand who else would be playing hockey at midnight. Second, the fact that the women's teams are expected to always play their games in the latest time slots boggles me. But we can accept that. What we cannot accept is that the men's and women's teams never alternate time slots, and the women are always scheduled to play at the latest times. And third, someone at IAB should take some responsibility, stop holding their meetings at Brad's, and look up the meaning of the word "professionalism."

With IAB being headed by a woman next year, we hope that she will understand the importance of offering fair and equitable services to all students, especially all women, who wish to play a sport. PC has a long way to go in issues concerning gender equality, and it is about time that they be addressed. Everyday, I sit in my classes staring at white middle-aged men, dressed up in suits, discussing topics that are inherently male-oriented. And I wonder what it would be like if more of the world were introduced to a "different" view, a "different" belief system, or a "different" idea from the ones we have systematically accepted as the norm. It may make us realize that we must not sit idly by waiting for the equality we deserve. We must demand it for ourselves.

A Democratic Threat

by Jamie Lantinen '97
Editor Abroad

China conducts "nuclear explosions for peaceful purposes," according to a Chinese government spokesman. In other words, China is one of the five declared nuclear powers that still conducts nuclear tests. For the last few months, the communist government of China has antagonized Taiwan and made threats of war. On the same continent, meanwhile, Russia has taken a deadly stance against its own people in the province of Chechnya. Now, President Yeltsin of Russia and President Jiang Zemin of China have agreed to a "strategic partnership" with a confidential communications hotline linking the two seats of power.

The message sent by this Asian superpower agreement should not be taken lightly by western nations. Only days after President Clinton's jet flew around the People's Republic of China to visit Yeltsin (for fear of attack by the Chinese), the Russian president is embracing his Chinese counterpart on the steps of the Great Hall of the People in Beijing. The message to President Clinton is a stern warning to ease the overbearing nature of American diplomacy.

It is evident that this meeting of solidarity was just a show for the West. Why else would the two nations have hastily signed twelve agreements after only two hours of talks? The fact is there is very little substance in these agreements.

They do little more than reiterate agreements made between the two countries over the last decade. One of the agreements, for example, involves the construction of a nuclear power plant that was previously planned over two years ago. Instead of diplomatic substance, both Moscow and Beijing have ulterior motives in signing this pact. President Yeltsin is looking toward a difficult election campaign in the coming months and needs to appear as though he can handle the large Russian neighbor. President Jiang, however, fears that what happened to the Soviet Union will soon happen in his own country.

The agreement between Russia and China is a response to a rapidly changing world in which the balance of power has shifted dramatically to the West, spearheaded by the United States. Once two of the most powerful nations in the world, Russia and China find themselves dependent on exports to America as well as international loans and grants. In addition to economic dependency, China especially finds itself being bullied by American foreign policy. What are we to expect from two confused, outdated players, but a joining together against the threat of the West?

This means the two countries are willing to put their foot down after a decade of falling communist regimes and infant democracies. Things have happened fast—too fast. Although the West may

not see China and Russia as important world players, the two countries will not capitulate to Western prejudice so easily. The United States and other Western nations need to step back in the relationship with these countries, especially with China. This does not mean the United States should not take a stand when Taiwan is threatened. It does mean that we must examine the attitude of the West that led to the conflict in the first place. It also means that President Clinton must be careful with his "policy of confrontation" with China. Could it be that we are the ones who threaten China?

Politics has forever been shaped and molded by fear, and this Russia-China agreement is no exception. It was fear of a two sided attack that forced Germany into secretive pacts with Russia and France prior to the World Wars. Fear of a belligerent Germany caused France to manipulate the balance of power to ensure that the German states would never unify. Fear is a powerful driving force of politics, and often a precursor to major conflicts.

Washington and its allies must take note that Asia, especially China, will not tacitly accept the Western liberal democratic ideals. They are afraid, and perhaps rightly so. It may no longer be the red flag of communism that threatens political stability. It may have been the intolerance of card-carrying democracies that has led to this "strategic partnership toward the 21st century."

Simply Civilized

by Kristen Martineau '98
Editorials Writer

After two years at Providence College, I find myself reflecting upon what I have learned in and out of the classroom. I have also come to some realizations. I am halfway through college. Just two more years and my time at PC will be a memory. The second realization that I have come to is that I am Done With Civ! For most, they can now breathe a huge sigh of relief. However, I will really miss Civ next year.

As students at PC we are required to take four semesters, 20 credits, of Development of Western Civilization. Most of us did not really know what Civ was when we entered as freshmen. However, we quickly learned the routine: lecture four days a week, seminar once a week, and a quiz or exam. I must admit that the reading and preparation was overwhelming at first, but I quickly adapted. Civ is an integral part of the curriculum and it is a program that the school is very proud of. After two years of the course, I have come to some conclusions and offer some suggestions.

First, I believe that the Civ requirement is very beneficial and extremely rewarding. Most of us came to PC having had Western Civ in high school, but never before have we been able to integrate four disciplines, and see how one affects the other. It is interesting to see how the Theology of the Renaissance is reflected in the literature and the art. In high school I took British and American Lit-

erature and studied Western Civ in history, but I never found the connections between the two. Having Civ taught by a team of four is especially helpful because each professor is able to present his/her area of expertise, while entertaining questions from students and colleagues. I will admit that the lecture hall setting is impersonal at first, but I found that my professors made every effort to involve us in lecture, whether it be through discussion or answering questions.

Second, I believe that it is necessary to study Western Civ in order to fully understand our own culture. After all, our culture is based on western thought, ideas, and customs. Many will argue that Western Civ is not multicultural enough and should not be taught. Western Civ is essential if we are going to fully comprehend our own culture. I am not de-emphasizing the importance of studying other cultures. It is necessary to broaden our horizons and open our minds. However, before we even attempt to study new civilizations, we need to first understand our own. Hence the reason we study Western Civ.

Civ has a tendency to move very quickly and simply overview areas that should be allowed more in-depth coverage. For example, we covered the Civil War and Reconstruction in one 50 minute class. Granted, you could spend an entire semester on this one area, but our time does not allow for that. The point of Civ is to provide us with a general picture and place events in proper context. If

our interest is sparked in a certain area we then have the opportunity to take classes that cover material more fully.

Although I have been very satisfied with the Civ program, I have a few suggestions to offer. I believe we should have lecture only three days a week and have a two hour seminar, much like the Honors Civ Program. We will then avoid the monotony of a five day a week class and we will also be able to formulate ideas in our head and prepare for discussion. I have found that I have learned the most by listening and talking with my peers. I also suggest a final paper as opposed to a final exam at the end of the fourth semester. This would give us the opportunity to choose an area of Civ that interests us and do research while formulating ideas. Instead of just spitting back material on an objective exam, we would be forced to think about what we have learned and apply it.

Granted, some Civ teams are better than others, and what team you are on can really determine what kind of experience you will have in the program. I was lucky enough to have two great teams and my experience has been pleasant. I realize that not everyone has a passion for studying Western Civ, but someday we will all be grateful that we took Civ. I was once told that the only thing Civ is good for is answering questions on Jeopardy. But, hey, I have seen people win lots of money on Jeopardy. Maybe that will be one of us someday, and won't we be glad we took Civ!

¿Hablo Ingles? Kudos to *The Cowl*

by Betsy Duryea '97
Writer Abroad

While traveling in Europe recently I discovered just how important it is that we should speak a different language. I knew before I left that there would be a language barrier, but assumed that there would always be someone who could understand, if not speak English. It is true that most Europeans speak more than one language, but this does not imply that they speak English (although many of them do). Even when they do speak English they are not always willing to use it. I felt a bit annoyed when I was attempting to communicate with a salesperson and they were feigning their misunderstanding although they had just spoken perfect English to the person in front of me. After considering their obstinance not to speak my language, I began to sympathize with their position. It is disrespectful to speak English without making an effort to use some phrases of the native language when in a foreign country. When tourists from other countries come to the United States we expect them to speak English and they often do. We would be similarly annoyed with an Italian who speaks in Italian to the waiter at an American restaurant and expects to be understood. Not only should we be able to speak a second language, but we should also have patience with people who do not speak our language.

There is an element of fear in not being able to speak the language of a foreign country. I became quite aware of this fear on the first leg of my journey when my friends and I arrived in a port city in France late at night. We walked out of the ferry terminal expecting someone to give us directions to the hostel or to see a cab waiting that could take us

there, but this was obviously not the case. I attempted to call information to get the telephone number of a cab company and found myself completely speechless after attempting to listen and make myself understood to the operator. When we finally did get to our hostel I could not negotiate with the woman at the desk about the price of our room. She had told me one price over the phone (or so I thought) and was dictating another price to me as we stood there about to check in. I was being taken advantage of and yet I could not really resist. My drawings and sign language did no good. I was frightened by my lack of control and was scared if anything worse should occur.

The lesson to me in all of this was not that I should have spent more time on my Spanish homework in high school. I feel the American educational system should stress the importance of learning a second language at a young age. It was painfully obvious to me as I traveled that I was inadequately trained in this area of my education. Learning a second language beginning in elementary school would only be an enrichment to a child's education. Beginning studies of a second language as a child would be easier because they have not studied the details of our own language and would not be burdened when making the transitions from the rules of one language to another. The addition of a second language at a young age can help the child learn the language more completely and accurately, and they will be able to use it for the rest of their lives. I met quite a few young Europeans who were putting the language skills they had learned throughout their schooling to profitable use. Not to mention the relief they provided me when they said, "Hablo Ingles."

Sacrament of the Present Moment

To the Editor,

A text out of context is a pretext! The cover story of *Time* (Who Killed Jessica, April 22) and *The Cowl* Commentary (April 25) involved the sensational. I don't deny that. But the paragraphs in both are so insensitive and empty of empathy, even civility is compromised. The writers of the *TIME* story have no clue of what the death of a child means to a mother. Yet it is not what they say that troubles me, but what is left unsaid. In the case of Jessica's mother, this is especially true. The authors of the article find her composure to be "eerie". It really isn't. It's the external manifestation of a deep, inner peace, hard to describe, that comes about from believing that the world really is a good place, and, despite a disaster, in some curious and mysterious way, everything is going to be OK. That's not a variant of New Age "mishmash" or "airheadedness", but rather the clearheaded focus of a wonderful woman, whose fidelity to responsibility as a mother, is beyond all telling. She has taught her children to eat nutritious food, wear safety helmets when they ride their bikes, share their pay for a paper route with the poor in another country, and take time to "listen to the rain." She values tools over toys and does without television, not because teddy bears and the *Today Show* aren't good, but because other things are better. The Lisa Blair Hathaway I know, respect, and admire, understands better than most, that opinion can be right or wrong, but it doesn't make a person to be good or

bad. Only free choice can do that, and we're the sum total of our free choices. She celebrates the sacrament of the present moment. That's rare today. Only young children seem to have the knack of it, or those who try to be like them. We need to pause and ponder the importance of that. Jessica did. So does her mother. I am a better person because of them, and a better priest. Who killed Jessica? Maybe the media did. They certainly covered her death.

John J. Peterson, O.P.

**Thanks for
a great year
as our
faculty
advisor, Dr.
Manchester.
We'll miss
you!**

Letter to the Editor:

As the faculty moderator for *The Cowl*, I wanted to thank publicly and attest to the hard work, dedication, and commitment that *The Cowl* staff have demonstrated during this past year. Each and every member of the staff was very gracious in accepting me, an outsider and a relative unknown, into their midst. Their courage and willingness to take on the difficult issues of contemporary life, both on campus and in the outside world, was a real source of inspiration and challenged me to be a better person.

In many ways, the students on *The Cowl* exemplify what PC is all about. In the liberal arts tradition, the staff brought their many intellectual talents and academic training to analyze critically problems they perceived within and without the PC community. They committed their faith and their ethical ideals to make visible injustice in the collective conscience of their readers; and finally, they demonstrated their commitment to public service and citizenship by providing their readers with reliable, credible news stories, thought-provoking commentaries, entertaining and humorous insights in the arts and entertainment, and well-written sports reporting and analysis. Collectively their work affirms the best at Providence College and challenges its readers to be more fully human.

Truth and Righteousness?

To the Editor,

I am writing this letter as a student concerned for the well being of our student body. The central principle that our professors, administrators, and priests preach to us on a daily basis is that of truth. The symbol that is inscribed on almost every piece of clothing, glass, and bumper sticker that we see here at Providence College is the torch, the symbol of truth. So what is the truth that we preach so highly? I am about to explain to you one concerned Providence College student's understanding of the truth.

The election that occurred on March 28th concerning the Executive Board Elections [which I am sure we are all tired of hearing about] was flawed to put it lightly. One of the members of the Presidential election chose to act in a very questionable manner, and according to the Student Constitution concerning the proper rules of conduct in an election, broke the rules set forth by the Student Congress. Meg Wrona, the Chairperson of the elections, decided that this individual acted in an illegal manner. She brought this individual up on several counts of elections violations. The Student Congress conducted a hearing allowing testimony from both sides. This individual was given all the proper notice and was treated quite fairly. He was found guilty on two separate charges of breaking an agreement with Meg Wrona concerning the election and for misconduct of his campaign staff. The committee decided to suspend this individual from office for breaking the rules of the election. Misconduct that directly affected the outcome of the election. He appealed this suspension and got off because of a technicality. The constitution, in the section for election hearings, does not have a direct viable punishment for suspension. Thus the individual who was found guilty of elections was reinstated as President of the Student Body. This is the truth.

And so I am disappointed by what has transpired this past semester, not as a disdained individual, but rather as a member of a larger student body who has been robbed of their fundamental

The staff accomplished this by sacrificing an incredible amount of personal time in order to meet deadline week after week, often without thanks or appreciation, and certainly without any kind of reward in terms of academic credit. They recognized they could not please everyone (including me sometimes), but they kept their sense of humor and balance despite the criticism.

I wanted to thank the members of the English Department who served as critics and who volunteered their time to make useful and constructive suggestions. I know that we all appreciated all of the input that we received. Many thanks also to all of you readers who expressed your opinions in written form. You helped make the paper a more open forum of debate for all members of the PC community.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to continue as moderator next year because of teaching and family commitments. I extend my congratulations, thanks, and best wishes to all of the graduating seniors. I know you will continue to make a difference just because of who you are. Finally, I wish the new editor, Mary Shaffrey, and all the staff of '96-'97 the best of luck in the next year.

Fondly,
Margaret M. Manchester
History Department

right to a fair and honest representation by their peers and administration. When we're young we know that there is wrong and there is right, and are taught that as long as we act in an honest and dignified manner that in the end righteousness will prevail. But as we grow older we know that this isn't always the case. As someone once told me "Bad things happen to good people everyday." And so I, along with the rest of the student body at PC was taught that lesson this semester. The lesson was that truth and righteousness does not always prevail. But it shouldn't stop those of us, who in our hearts know the truth, from forging on to seek the truth and righteousness in the people and communities in which we all live. The tragedy of the fact is that truth doesn't always prevail, but we must still seek it out even at great cost to ourselves.

Maybe some individuals would call me an idealist, but I believe that individuals can make a difference in the communities, organizations, and families in which we all live as long as people are dedicated to the principles of truth, and are willing to stand by those principles no matter what the cost. The truth is the most important virtue that we all possess. If the truth does not prevail, if we fail to seek the truth, then this is not an institution that I wish to be a part of now or ever.

The students of Providence College deserve better from their student leaders and from their administration. The whole process that has transpired is wrong and the worst part of it is that the real losers are the members of the student body at Providence College and up to this point they don't even know it. We must demand truth in our organizations, administrators, faculty, and our fellow students. We must stand up for those things which we know in our hearts to be right and just. That is what the principles of our school stand for, and it is what we should stand for as members of the Providence College family.

Bill Ewell '97

Sullivan is Wrong

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Mike Sullivan's commentary: "Speaking Out: A Duty Not a Crime" (April 18). In his article he showed his difference of opinion with Most Reverend Fabian Bruskewitz's policy of excommunicating people for belonging to certain groups deemed anti-Catholic. He wondered aloud what kind of Church we have if we can't speak up without fear of being punished. He also ended his article with the words: "There is no reason to be afraid of open debate unless you fear that the position you hold is wrong."

Mike Sullivan believes that the bishop's actions were done to counteract Call To Action (CTA), a group that Mike Sullivan gave a very complimentary description of. CTA not only opposes many Catholic teachings but has also made up its own creed which ends: "And we believe in the Resurrection; whatever that may mean." I want everyone to read that again. This is an obvious downplaying of the physical/bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ. Such a statement should be found offensive to all Christians. "...Whatever that means" is a most absurd statement. 1 Corinthians 14:12-19 perfectly explains what it means: our own resurrection and eternal life, "If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are the most pitiable people of all."

Secondly, CTA opposes the Church's stance on women priests. It's not just that people hold the opinion that there should be women priests but because this is an organization which tries to subvert an infallible doctrine. The Church has just recently declared that the Church's opposition to women priests is irrevocable because it is part of the deposit of faith. It is an irrevocable teaching which will not and can not be changed. Any group that is actively trying to subvert this teaching is in direct contradiction to the Catholic Church which has Christ as her head (Col 1:18). Whether or not these people should be excommunicated is up to each bishop who is in his particular church a vicar of Christ. However, one must do serious reflection into what it means to be a member of the Body of Christ (the Church) and whether by means of actively trying to subvert an infallible teaching they have separated themselves from that Body. It is a very sensitive issue which needs sincere reflection into one's own conscience where the individual can hear God's own call to him.

Mike Sullivan seems to feel that because the majority of Catholics (according to his statistics) do not obey certain teachings that the Church should change its teachings. Does a math teacher ask the class to discuss and vote by majority what they think the answer to a problem should be? Mike is correct that dialogue is necessary between the hierarchy and laity. However, the Church is not a democracy, and morality is not based on popular vote. There are universal truths and a natural law which must be taught with conviction.

Mike Sullivan also stated: "...because they did not believe everything that came out of the Vatican." This is not exactly true. While yes, it is the Pope who has spoken the loudest on moral issues but the Pope is not the president of the Church with the other bishops as his assistants. When the Pope speaks he speaks in the name of the whole Church. Yes, there are individuals in the Church's hierarchy who do dissent, but in reality they are not dissenting merely from the Pope but against the Church.

Mike Sullivan is correct, this is not the Dark Ages and we are better educated today and dialogue is needed. But there are some things that are just not debatable: murder/abortion, theft, the divinity of Jesus, the Eucharist, and the Church's teaching on who She does and does not have the authority to ordain. In order to debate issues that are not declared infallible we must still understand that we are required as Catholics to give religious assent to all teachings of the Church and if we are to discuss them we should do so within the boundaries of Catholic understanding of Scripture, Tradition, and authority of the Church.

Charles Grondin '99

Raising Minimum Wage Will Only Hurt the Poor

by Kieran Lalor '98
Editorials Writer

To come out in favor of an increase in the minimum wage seems at first glance to be the humanitarian and altruistic position. After all, an increase in income benefits the worker and his or her family, doesn't it? A higher minimum wage will rescue the poorest workers from the depths of poverty, won't it? The truth is, a minimum wage increase does not help the working poor; it significantly hurts them. By reviewing the demographic groups who work for a minimum wage, noting who would be hurt by the increase and considering the residual effects of a wage hike, it is obvious that anyone concerned with the plight of the destitute will join the crusade to keep the minimum wage at its current level.

According to an Employment Policy Foundation study, 53% of those who work at low paying jobs are part-time workers who do not depend on their minimum wage job as their main source of income. The same study points out that 25% of minimum wage employees are 16 to 19 years of age, many of whom are the children of affluent parents. Only 9% of minimum wage earners are the sole breadwinners of their family. The conclusion the study draws, although contrary to political rhetoric, is that an increase in the minimum wage will benefit few workers who support families.

If the bill to boost the minimum wage is passed into law, the employers of low wage workers will have three options to compensate for the extra capital going toward employee wages. Businesses could do nothing and simply accept lower profits, a scenario so unlikely it is a waste to even consider it an option. The second choice of busi-

nesses would be to raise the price of their good or service. This solution is also not likely to be implemented, because if the company was able to raise prices without driving away customers and without reducing revenues, the business would have done so long ago and absorbed the extra profit. The third and most likely reaction to a minimum wage enlargement will be to cut employees and have one worker try to do the job of two.

The victim of a minimum wage increase will not be the business. The victim will be the person whom those in favor of an increase claim as a beneficiary, the worker. The unskilled worker, who is also the poorest worker, will feel the brunt of the downsizing ax because unskilled workers are the most expendable. It is also documented that an increase in the minimum wage leads to greater scrutiny of job applicants and a higher qualification requirement. Those poor, unskilled workers who used to be able to get hired as dishwashers and fast food cooks will now be unqualified for even those jobs. A study conducted by the University of Washington after the state of Washington increased the minimum wage in 1989 and 1990 concluded that 10,000 jobs were eliminated statewide. The increased minimum wage also resulted in more scrutiny in hiring because the employer needed a worker who could perform many tasks.

An inflated minimum wage also poses another problem for workers, especially workers who are part-time or teenagers; a group that makes up 78% of the low wage community. Unless a potential worker can find a job making the minimum wage, he or she may not work at all. In this era of free trade represented by the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) it is plausible that a business employing hun-

dreds may decide to relocate south of the border to Mexico and pay foreign workers a fraction of what Americans are paid. This likely scenario would transform low pay workers into no pay workers.

By giving an artificial raise to workers for any reason other than productivity or loyalty, we end the meritocracy that built this country. The message is sent nationwide that you do not need to work hard to get an increase in pay because the government will compensate you regardless of you work habits. By increasing minimum wage we will create a generation without a work ethic, a situation that will have devastating effects on the economy in years to come.

Congress should heed the advice of top economists instead of blindly following inexact opinion polls when they vote on this landmark bill, the effects of which will be felt far into the next millennium. Milton Friedman, the senior research fellow at the Hoover Institute, says, "A higher minimum wage would therefore mean that fewer people would be employed." In addition, the overwhelming preponderance of America's leading economist has condemned a minimum wage increase as lethal to the low wage earner.

I realize that this is an election year and that those up for re-election want to seem concerned about the impoverished. I am also aware that initially an increase in the minimum wage looks helpful in aiding the less fortunate. However, facts indicate that the best way to help the poor is to vote down any bill that will raise the minimum wage and subsequently reduce the working poor to the unemployed poor. A vote to increase the minimum wage is a vote to increase unemployment and poverty.

Democracy Not Death Squads

by Mike Sullivan '97
Editorials Writer

Very few people in the United States realize that this past March marked the 16th anniversary of the death of Archbishop Oscar Romero, who was brutally murdered while saying Mass in a hospital chapel in El Salvador. Most Americans have at least heard of Archbishop Oscar Romero and how he stood up to the oppressive military regime of El Salvador. However, many view his death, although tragic, as a crime committed in a foreign land having nothing to do with the United States. Unfortunately Archbishop Romero's death has everything to do with the United States. The members of the military who were implicated in his murder were trained by the US government with US tax dollars at the dubious School of the Americas in Fort Benning, Georgia. Supporters of the military academy refer to it as the "linchpin of democracy," and believe its graduates are doing what they must to support "democracy." However, in reality, it is a school that trains soldiers to murder innocent unarmed people by the thousands, and ought to be shut down immediately.

The murder of Archbishop Romero is not an isolated incident. In 1989, six Jesuit priests were killed along with their housekeeper and her daughter by soldiers who are believed to be graduates of the School of the Americas. Other graduates are implicated in the rape and murder of three American nuns and the murders of several other lay people involved with the Jesuit order. Ten of the twelve officers believed to be guilty in carrying out the murders of hundreds of defenseless people in 1981 at El Mazote were graduates of the School for the Americas.

These are just a few of the many cases where American-trained and American-supplied soldiers killed innocent people simply because they publicly opposed certain policies of the El Salvadorian government that they believed to be unjust.

This is certainly not the type of policy that the average American would expect his or her tax money to be supporting. How can the United States call itself the defender of freedom and upholder of democracy but at the same time be so supportive of an evil and corrupt military regime? How can the United States claim to be the leader of the free world while it spends its tax money training and supplying soldiers to stifle democracy in one of its closest neighbors? How can the United States criticize other nations, such as Iraq and China, for human rights violations while the US itself gives aid to human rights violators? The answer is it cannot, at least not without being hypocritical.

There is a lot of talk going on in Washington right now about cutting the federal budget and eliminating unnecessary expenditures. Wouldn't eliminating funding to the School of the Americas in Fort Benning, Georgia be the perfect place to start? Rep. Joseph Kennedy (D-MA) thinks so and he has recently introduced a bill in the House that would do just that. Cutting off all financial and military aid to these thugs will not solve all the problems in Central America but it will at least be a start. Those dedicated to democratic reforms will be able to speak out with less fear of being victimized by the death squads, and American priests and nuns working as missionaries will be less likely to be killed with American-made bullets.

The Easy Way Out

by Lori Andrade '98
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Final exams. These are two words that may cause any student to cringe. The mere thought of the anxiety and laboring that goes into preparation for an exam not only affects uneasy students, but also professors. The effect on the professors, however, sometimes causes a rigorous week to transform into a petrifying experience for students. Before I go any further I must say with a lot of pride that there are a tremendous number of terrific and extremely qualified professors at this college. However, in this group lies a handful possessing one unsettling drawback: laziness.

The very word that we students are constantly accused of, now bounces back to the hand of the accuser. During finals, a time when professors should reach out to students the most, it seems that we are disregarded and pushed around more than any other time. The reason seems to be because professors are concerned about preparing final examinations for all of their classes. This appears to be such a hassle for them in that they decide to create one exam for all sections of the same course. They expect all their students to rearrange their finals schedule in order to take the exam when it is more convenient for the teacher. Why should a student be forced to take a final exam earlier (or later) than the official finals schedule states? The registration booklet is published with an examination schedule already established for both semesters of the following year. This schedule has been established well before explanation classes have even started. What right do professors have to change it just days before the actual exam? The registration booklet does say, "Those instructors with three or more sections of the same course may request a consolidated time and place for their examinations." However, I'm reacting to those professors who do this with just two sections of the same course. Is it really that difficult to make up two separate exams? In my opinion, that is what these professors are getting paid for. Their job is to dedicate their time to give us the best education possible. By forcing their students to take an exam at an unscheduled time they are rushing the students to study. A lack of preparation time may cause students to forget much of what they learned.

Some of the reasons professors give for having a combined time for their examinations have been stated. However, I do not see any justification in them. One is to prevent students in one section from asking to take it at the time of another section. Professors find it tedious to keep track of who is taking the exam and when. A simple solution for this problem is to announce weeks ahead that no exceptions will be made. It should be mandatory that all students and all professors abide by the schedule in the registration book, unless it has been agreed upon by all the students in every section.

What I find amazing is the huge contrast between some professors and others. There are some teachers who do have three or more sections of the same course, and still follow the exam schedules. This is proof that it is not impossible to prepare more than one exam. These professors are prepared and take their profession seriously. They even create extra exams in the case of make-ups. This strengthens my point even more about the laziness of other professors. Because there are some professors who work as diligently as they should, I believe the statement in the registration book should be eliminated. If one teacher can do it, then they all should be able to.

Students and teachers are supposed to be involved in school together. It seems pointless for them to rebel against each other. From my experience it seems that at a time when teachers and students need each other the most for cooperation, they turn their backs on one another. The professors should take into consideration that students have three or four other exams to study for as well. We are not getting paid to take these exams, rather we are paying the professors to administer them to us. It seems the least they can do is try to compromise with us, rather than take the easy way out.

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See it Again (For the First Time)

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Is it me or is Hollywood becoming lazy? Every year we get bombarded with more of our favorite television shows at our local theaters. Maybe the producers think we want to see *The Beverly Hillbillies* or *The Flintstones* on the big screen, or maybe Hollywood is just running out of ideas.

Sure, these movies have ready-made characters that America grew up with and loved, but we loved them in half-hour intervals that did not cost \$7.25 an episode.

In the past five years alone, we have seen movies based on television shows like *The Fugitive*, *Maverick*, *Car 54, Where Are You?*, *The Brady Bunch*, and *Sgt. Bilko*.

Some ideas don't even come from full television shows. Two *Wayne's World* movies and *The Coneheads* were first seen in five minute skits on *Saturday Night Live*. The upcoming summer season proves to be no exception. Be on the lookout for *A Very Brady Sequel*, *Mission: Impossible*, and *Flipper*.

Years ago it would not be uncommon for the opposite to happen: movies that did very well at the box office being turned into half hour sitcoms. For example, *M.A.S.H.* and *The Odd Couple* were two titles that captured audiences on both the big and small screens. Other projects did not fare so well. Does anyone remember the shows *Baby Boom*, *Adventures in Babysitting*, and *Working Girl* (which, incidentally, starred a

then-unknown Sandra Bullock)? I didn't think so. This tradition will continue this year with *Clueless*, starring everyone from the hit movie except Alicia Silverstone.

All of this junk does not just occur with television shows. Sequels are usually just rehashes of the original. There are, of course, exceptions to the rule, like the *Star Wars* and *Indiana Jones* trilogies. If a movie makes a bundle at the box office it is almost a given that there will be a second, third, or fourth installment. Some creative marketing people try to hide the fact that you are watching a sequel by simply eliminating the number tacked at the end of the title. Did anyone see *Die Hard with a Vengeance* (Die Hard 3), *Batman Forever* (Batman 3), *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls* (Ace 2)?

If this trend makes you as ill as it makes me, perhaps you will follow my advice about how to elimi-

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nate this garbage. Since these movies are made for purely commercial reasons, the simplest solution is this — DON'T GO TO THESE MOVIES! If we can collectively attack their bottom line, perhaps the visionaries responsible for this compost will wake up and realize that they are wasting their time. In order for this to happen, you all have to be strong. Do not

like a good idea!" or "Showgirls? Very keen dialogue." Support that small movie that you think is interesting that you might not have seen otherwise. You will find some interesting things there. Please do not let me see you standing in line for *Police Academy 50 — Shaft Comes Home*. You are smarter than that.

The Idiots' Guide To Music

by Venessa Anderson '99
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Music: the words of God, a lover's passion, a child's joy, the pains of Death. Music is life. It is how we live. It is what we live. It is why we live. Those of you who think I'm lying haven't really listened. God gave us ears to listen and that is why I am writing this article. This is the musical idiot's

ludes for the well-tempered clavi-chord are still popular today. C.P.E. Bach's "Solfegetto" is also a favorite among young piano students. Characterized by dominant and repeating themes and variation, the Baroque period was closely associated with Church music.

The Classical Period (the second half of the 18th and early 19th centuries) -- Mozart, Haydn, and Beethoven were the superstars of

Ragtime: Characterized by a strong syncopation in the melody with an accented accompaniment, the most famous Ragtime composer is Scott Joplin. Ragtime grew in popularity in the late 1890's and by 1900 it was a craze that swept all over America. With its lightheartedness, ragtime led people to forget their problems.

Jazz: Jazz is an American music type characterized by improvisation, syncopated rhythms, and contrapuntal ensemble playing. With its roots in ragtime, Jazz has evolved to a mellow and soulful art. Examples: Louie Armstrong, Dizzy Gillespie.

Soul: Characterized by such figures as Ray Charles, Aretha Franklin, and the Temptations, soul was a staple to the diet of people of the fifties, sixties, and the seventies. The record label *Motown* became the epitome and haven of soul.

Reggae: Often associated with the islands, reggae became popular with Bob Marley. In fact, it is so popular that when Bob, the legend, died his son, Ziggy carried the tradition on.

Big Band: Found in the late twenties and thirties, the big band era praised variety with instruments. Catchy tunes were often times sung by a lead singer who was accompanied by close to twenty musicians sometimes. Big Bands were popular when couples went to dance clubs to ball room dance. This music started the rage of clubs.

Rock-n-Roll: Rock-n-Roll now has become a generic term. Originally rock-n-roll began in the fifties with Elvis Presley. Presley combined a strong beat with a melodious guitar and incredible lyrics. The outcome of his music, with a little help from television, was a nationwide success with the teens at the time. With a combined effort from people like Buddy Holly and Richy Valence, rock-n-roll exploded.

Classic Rock: Classic rock is a relatively new term to denote the 60's and 70's. Good examples of

classic rock are the Eagles and Led Zeppelin.

Beach Rock: The Beach Boys. 'nuff said.

Disco: The age of drugs, sex and tight clothes, Disco was the beginning of the modern day club music. Disco was so popular that even *Sesame Street* produced an album.

Acid Rock: Dominated by Pink Floyd and Jimi Hendrix, acid rock explored the inner psyche with music and drugs.

Bubble gum Rock: Toni Basil with, "Oh Mickey, you're so fine, you're so fine you blow my mind! Hey Mickey!" helped jump-start the bubble gum era and MTV. Bubble gum has survived the decade with the Lemonheads.

Pop: The divas Mariah Carey, Whitney Houston, Madonna, Prince, and Michael Jackson dominate the pop culture. Best known for its sappy love songs, pop music has been with us since the beginning of rock-n-roll and probably will survive until the earth explodes.

Modern Rock: This category has so many factions that I will only name the type and give an example:

Hard Core: Rage Against the Machine, Gwar

Ska: No Doubt, Big Lick, Spring Heeled Jack

Neo-Hippie: Dave Matthews, Phish

Alternative (classic): Nirvana, Pearl Jam

Alternative (soft): Cranberries

Texture: My Bloody Valen-

Computer Generated: Nine Inch Nails, Prick, Filter

Techno: Moby, DJ Vasquez

Dance: House, Garage,

Jungle
Rap: A relatively new urban sound generated from the big cities. Rap identifies with the urban experience. Dr. Dre and Coolio are big artists in this movement.

Hip Hop: Hip Hop is some sort of a take off from Rap. It usually has a mellow, soothing rhythm. TLC and Salt 'n Peppa are identified with Hip Hop.

Country: Evolved from the Grand Daddy, Elvis Presley, country split from rock-n-roll, although it now consists of rock techniques. Some country also has some blues roots. ex. Garth Brooks, Reba McEntire

Rockabilly: Country-esque, utilizing a stand up bass, with sometimes mokey, sometimes giddy lyrics. ex. Royal Crowns, Stray Cats, and Chris Issak

Folk: The sounds of the culture that have followed society from the beginning of time. A semi-modern folk singer with his introspective songs is Bob Dylan.

So, now that we have traveled through time and useless information, I hope that you have learned at least a few new facts. As I mentioned before, music is an integral part of society. If you don't listen to every type of music, at least you should be aware. I had no idea how many different factions there were. It just goes to show you, life is full of learning, growing, and music.

"Rock and Roll" has now become a generic term.

guide to music. I am presenting this so that you can no longer say, "the reason I don't like music is because there's no type that I can identify with." Well, that's bull and I'm about to prove it.

We're starting this adventure at the beginning of mankind. At the dawn of man's awareness there was music, even if it only consisted of a few notes awkwardly hummed together. Eventually, as man grew smarter, so did their knowledge of music. Tools were constructed that allowed early man to make notes that didn't necessarily have to come out of his mouth. From these tools came a lute, from this lute came lyrical and epic poetry, and before you know it, we have travelled more than half-way through man's time.

To make things go a little quicker, I'm going to fast forward time to the end of the 16th century. Man had been playing music for thousands of years. A system of octaves for recording notes had been invented. By the late Renaissance, the harpsichord allowed a huge door of opportunity to be opened. Music became a study and men like J.S. Bach and his sons flourished.

The Baroque Period (from the end of the 16th century to the 18th century) This period of music was dominated by the Bach family. J.S. Bach's fugues, inventions and pre-

this period. Sonatinas, Sonatas, Operas, and Symphonies were popular works. Elegance, charm, fun, and strict structure define the age. What is curious about Beethoven, specifically, is that he is a transitional figure. He bridged the Classical period, with his early works, to the Romantic period, with his later works.

The Romantic Period (19th century) -- The motivation for the Romantic movement lay in the changing state of mind of intellectual Europe and in the resulting changes in social institutions. The thoughts of Rousseau, particularly his belief in the essential goodness of man, and his distrust of reason pervaded the era. The first half of the 19th century was dominated by four geniuses: Mendelssohn, Chopin, Schumann, and Liszt, while the latter half of the century was the day of Wagner and Brahms. Within the Romantic era itself, there is an immense span in style, quality, and intensity of personal expression- from the transitional works of Beethoven or the barely romantic Mendelssohn to the rich fare of Wagner and Strauss.

The Modern Period (20th century) -- Perhaps the most complex and most factioned era of music, the modern period has seen the debut of an overwhelming amount of types of music.

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Eat, Drink, and Be Merry

by Pete "Shaggy" Keenan '99
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Picture this, if you will. It is Tuesday evening, you have nothing to do, and Raymond's menu is, once again, bland and recycled. Losing control of your reason and senses, you and a friend find yourself helplessly reacting to an over-

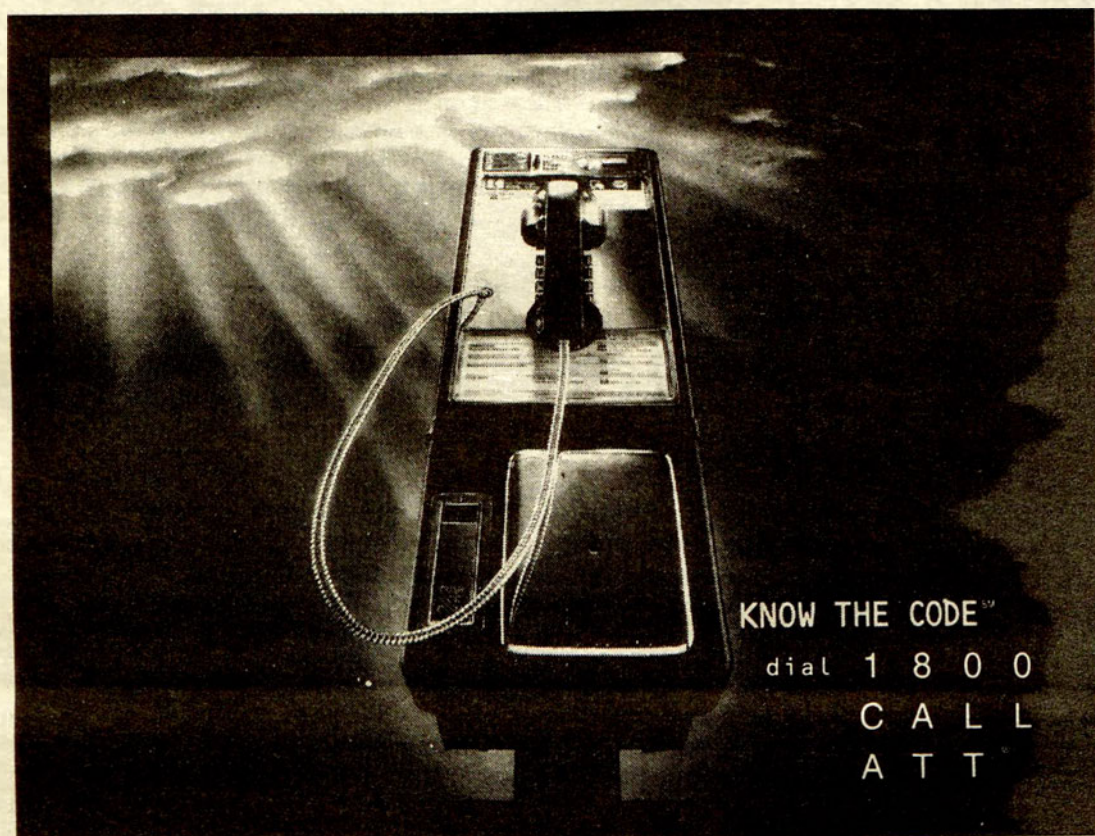
powering force which compels you to seek transportation to 36 Exchange Terrace, in the city of Providence. At the obscure address is the Union Station Brewery. Entranced by the sweet smell of malted hops and succulent steak, you sit at a table. As if your trip was not bizarre enough, you notice the brass fixtures and exposed red brick wall, which rings

with the antiquity of a 19th century saloon. Although the journey you took to arrive at the Union Station Brewery was outlandish, it cannot even compare to the delight which you will experience on this new pilgrimage that shall tease your tastebuds and seduce your senses, for you are about to eat. Yes, it is a virtual Mr. Toad's Wild Ride of the culinary sort.

What exactly has just transpired? Is it a blended melange between a distinctly refined *Animal House* and an especially mundane *Twilight Zone*? Maybe, but I don't think so. Moreover, it is just your typical, run-of-the-mill visit to the Union Station Brewery. Established in 1993, the Union Station Brewery is the oldest brewpub in Providence still in business.

However, memorabilia and photographs of the closed Narragansett Brewery line the walls in nostalgia.

Like many restaurants, the Union Station Brewery does in fact serve food (as opposed to just beer). Prices range on the high end at \$15 for the New York flank steak, to more moderately priced foods, such as the wide array of gourmet pizzas on the menu. On average, though, the prices of the entrees hover around \$10-\$12. Two words: mashed potatoes. In fact, I would have to say that the



Oh sure, it *looks innocent*. But it could be *wired* to a no-name company that has no qualms about overcharging *broke* college students.

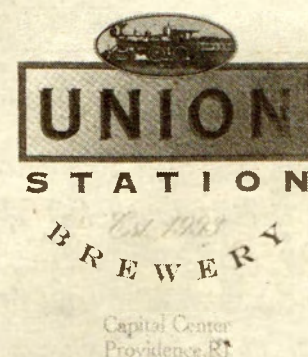
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smooth, soft mashed potatoes are a gift from Heaven, and are probably the best tasting potatoes I have ever had in my entire life.

Beer. It is probably the biggest attraction from people of our college-level age bracket experience towards the Union Station Brewery. The beer is brewed on the premises, and with original recipes. The beers have individualized names such as Goldenspike and Friar Brown, and each of them different defining attributes such as taste, color, smell, etc. Mature audiences of 21 and above may sample these palatable nectars, which are reputed to the best home-brewed beers in the city.

For any beer connoisseur, whether it be the occasional weekend sampler to the most sorry addicted alcohol slave, the machinery present in Union Station Brewery is impressive. At the back of the restaurant are the brass kettles and pipeworks in which the beer is actually brewed. Detailed schematics of the process of brewing explain how the water and grain turn into the beer in your glass. Not only do the intricate brewing facilities and brewing information help pass the time while your food is being prepared, but it also raises appreciation for the pub's beer-fare.

Although the brewpub has a wide inventory of merchandise, such as hats, shirts, and glasses, one unfortunate absentee is the beer itself, whose sale is prohibited by law.

This Tuesday, as you contemplate your full exam week, and your empty, frolicful summers, if you too feel the gentle tugging of the Union Station Brewery upon your psyche, do not resist the hypnotic scents of beer, mashed potatoes, pizza, and steak. Go there. Let yourself be consumed with the spirit of Providence's beer, and eat, drink, and be merry.

With notes by Christian Enwright, who enjoys to eat food and drink beer (he's 21).

Beth Ford: The Very Model of an Acting Individual

by Michael P. Sablone '98
A&E Editor

You know you know who she is. She's one of those people that you see once and cannot forget. She has the natural charisma, the overwhelming talent, and very small ego that are so common of true stars (wait, most stars don't have any of those three. hmmm. well, if I ran the world they would). If you have ever ventured into the confines of Blackfriars theater, then you most likely have seen her. If you have not yet seen her onstage, you've missed a great performer (you have also lost your ability to truthfully say "Oh, yeah, I saw her when she was in college—before she got big"). Her

name is Beth Ford and she recently finished her eighth and final appearance on the Blackfriars stage, going out in style playing Lady Macduff in PC's *Macbeth*.

I recently had the opportunity to sit down with Ms. Ford for an interview. As you enter her house it is impossible not to notice the numerous production posters hanging on her living room wall. The weird thing about the posters is that she does not put them up because she is full of herself. She hangs them up for the same reason that she decided upon a theater major: "It was fun." The tone of her voice is pure. Imagine someone doing something for fun. You know that she is not trying to hide her true feelings. She speaks clearly and with great sincerity —

a woman that can run with the world, keep up, and beat it at its own game.

Her first role(s) came her freshman year in the production of *The Wizard of Oz*. She played the mayor of Munchkin city, a singing tree, and a member of Oz ("I don't know what you would call one of us ... maybe an 'ozian?'" Ford explained). When describing her first production, Ford sums it up in one word, "Fun." She goes on to say, "I don't know what I would have been [in terms of a major] if I had not joined theater. I had interests in other things, but there was no grand scheme." (she pauses, adding in a mock pompous, starlet-things-have-gone-to-my-head voice), "I'm going to be on Broadway!!!!!!!" (She then stops acting and states gravely), "No. It was nothing like that."

After her first production, she went on to be both onstage and

backstage for almost all of PC's productions. Her sophomore year she was in both the *Trojan Woman* and *Lower Rooms*. Her senior year she acted in both *Our Town* and *Macbeth*. However, her junior year would prove to be the most memorable one. She was in two productions that she would remember as her favorite part and her favorite show here at PC.

Of her past shows, Beth lists *Lettice and Lovage* as her favorite. "It was a great cast. We worked really well together and everyone wanted to be there. Since it was such a small cast, we got close."

Later that year, the Blackfriars theater performed Louisa May Alcott's *Little Women*. It starred a group of talented "amateurs" (used in the loosest sense of the word). For the production Blackfriars decided to add another part to the play—Louisa May Alcott. They

used the part as a narrator to help make the action flow better. It worked very well, and I'll give you three guesses as to who helped mold the character. You guessed it—Beth Ford handled the role and she names it as her favorite part.

On the academic side she has one of them "easy" double majors. I know someone out there is saying, "Whatever, theater majors have it easy." Wrong. In case you are not familiar with the theater department at this school (you know, I really wasn't until I threw my hat into the ring with *Macbeth*. I think I've been sucked in), Theater majors and minors are required to not only take certain classes, but to also earn "crew points" by acting and working backstage for productions. If you ever found yourself wondering where your favorite PC actor or actress is during a show, they are most likely backstage. Beth has been no exception to this rule. She was stage manager for *Meet Me in St. Louis*. "It, being such a large musical, taught me a lot." For various other productions she worked on costume design, props, sound, and also was house manager.

For her other major, Beth developed her love for languages. Specifically, her second major is French, but someone that has taken French, Italian, Russian and Latin (hey, it's not a dead language in my room) must have some love for foreign languages. She will apply this skill during this summer, when she travels to Atlanta. Beth is looking forward to spending her time being a concierge at various locations in the Olympic Village.

Beyond that just what is in store for our prodigy? Despite a recent car accident that put her out of commission for a small time, she is going to the Big Apple to try her hand at acting. "I've always said, 'No. I want to [focus on] French—it's [acting] too risky.'" She firmly concludes, to both herself and me, "But I'm going to do it." She later explained why she chose theater: "I really am into the classics — I love Shakespeare." When asked if she would ever attempt to get on the silver screen, she replied hesitantly, "Well, if Kenneth Branagh ever came up to me and asked me, sure, but I'd like to stick to theater." Mr. Branagh, if you happen to read this (I know you're one of our ghost readers) get down here now before she changes her mind.

Beth Ford is a truly unique, talented individual. I have only recently gotten to know her, but I have seen a determined, and caring woman who should be an inspiration to us all. The worst thing I can think of in writing this article is that not enough people have got to really know Beth from my writing. Take my word for it—I know that I am proud to have known her, albeit for a short amount of time, and I know everyone in her family is going to have to put up a fight to remain what she calls: "my biggest fans."

The A&E Staff would like to wish all seniors (especially Renet and Pat) the best of luck in the future in whatever you may do. In the immortal words of Pat Heap: "Love. Life. Faith. FREEDOM!"

To Our Dear Erin—

Someone once wrote, "You must wait until the evening to see how splendid the day has been."

As you complete your 4 years at P.C. and your outstanding work on "The Cowl," we congratulate you on your splendid achievement! How bittersweet it must be to be looking back at all you have accomplished, each task attacked with your own special passion and conviction!

From your award as "Unsung Hero" to later responsibilities of Advertising Manager and Managing Editor, we have watched you develop into a sensitive and compassionate woman who never ceases to give the best of herself to make the best out her involvement in any project.

Yes, the day has been splendid indeed. Our hearts are bursting with pride! Happy graduation, Erin! Love, Mom and Dad

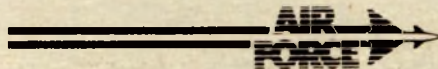
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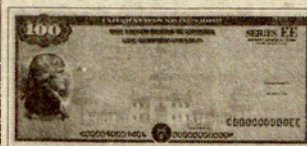
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Done with Civ!

Sophomores come to the Quad on Friday, May 3rd for a BBQ and free t-shirts!

Attn. All Students

Seniors for graduate school, transferring students or any student needing a copy of their health record or immunization information: The student Health Center will be closing for the summer. Please come in for copies of your record before May 10. After this date you will not be able to obtain a copy until September.

*When people drink-
things get broken.
When people drink-
people get broken.*

*Take time out to make good
decisions before you drink.*

Keep safe. Play safe.

-A message from Step 1

Spring Exam Schedule

Tuesday May 7

DWC B,E,G 8:30-10:30

DWC A,D,F 11:00-1:00

DWC C,H 1:30-3:30

Wednesday May 8

Series H 9:00-11:00

Series E 1:00-3:00

Thursday May 9

Series J 9:00-11:00

Series F 1:00-3:00

Friday May 10

Series K 9:00-11:00

Series A 1:00-3:00

Saturday May 11

Series L 9:00-11:00

Series B 1:00-3:00

Monday May 13

Series M 9:00-11:00

Series C 1:00-3:00

Tuesday May 14

Series G 9:00-11:00

Series D 1:00-3:00

Seniors

P.S. Photography will be here on May 2nd and 3rd in Lower Slavin selling old Class of '96 pictures. See memories of the clambake, JRW, and 196 Days.

Done with College!

Fri. May 3rd

4:30-9:30

Raymond Field

\$10 in advance

*Games, Moon Walk, and
Free Food!*

Congratulations to the new Admissions Ambassadors

Yvonne Arsenault
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Allison Burns
Rebecca Carr
Jeoffrey Chorvat
Ami Conn
Tara Curtis
Meg DiChello
Gayle Fasanello
Leah Goldman
Beth Gregory
Christine Harding
Jennifer Hastings
Kristen Howe
Kimberly Ira
Stephen Lenz
Kara MacNeil
Jeffrey McCarthy
Mary Beth McKeever
Christopher Meade
Kristina Newman
Kimberly Nylund
Michelle Panneton
Meagan Philbrick
Robin Rheume
Heather Rose
Jenna Scacchi
Kristen Stevens
James Tierney
Paul Torrisi
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Kathryn Wilson

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Melissa Eng
Joseph Fournier
Jessica Gomez
Elizabeth Gullace
Kathleen Hartke
Casey Horton
Jennifer Howley
Christopher Ivany
Elizabeth Leonard
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Shannon McGrath
Leah McLean
Kathryn Newman
Sarah Noblet
Jessica Padrucco
Christopher Paone
Kristen Pilek
Danielle Rizzo
Susanne St. Laurent
Maura Sichol
Erica Stachura
Clare Sweeney
Matthew Toole
Judith Valentine
Heather Venza
Danielle White

Attn. Student Bands

The yearbook wants pictures of student bands in action. Send them to box 1853 with name and address on the back (so it can be returned), or call Cathy at x3537 to have someone come and take your picture.

Attention Seniors

Yearbooks are included in Senior fees, so you do not need to order one unless you need extras.

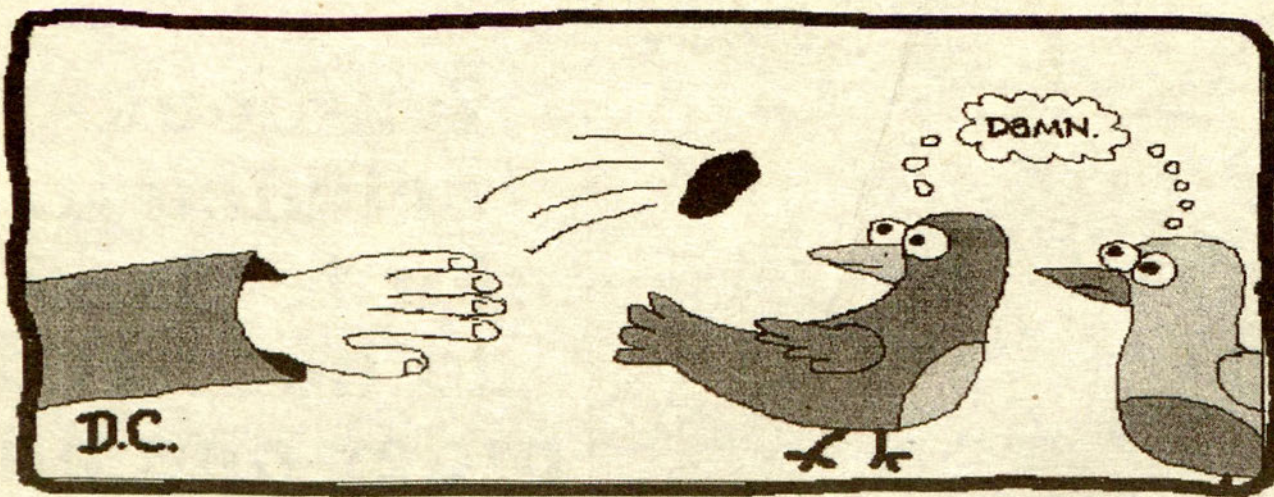
Attn. Students

Last call for those who ordered a 1994-1995 yearbook. Through the reading period is the last time that these can be picked up.

Last Chance! Class of '98

Bring your pictures for the JRW video to Lower Slavin on Fri. May 3rd from 12-3.

This is the last chance for you and your friends to be in the video!



UNFORTUNATELY, GEOFFREY TOOK THE EXPRESSION "KILL TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE" A LITTLE TOO LITERALLY.



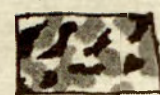

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Keloid

Tara Lyn Horley

Top 5 Things I Learned in CIV

5. **T**HERE ARE TOO MANY PEOPLE WITH THE SAME NAME 
4. TAPES **NEVER** WORK ON A DAY SKIPPED!
3. A SQUIGGLE ON THE BLACKBOARD CAN BE CALLED A MAP 
2. \$PLATTERED PAINT CAN \$ELL FOR MILLION\$ 
1. UNLIMITED COCKTAIL TIDBITS 

Male Bonding by Viengxay Sihapanya



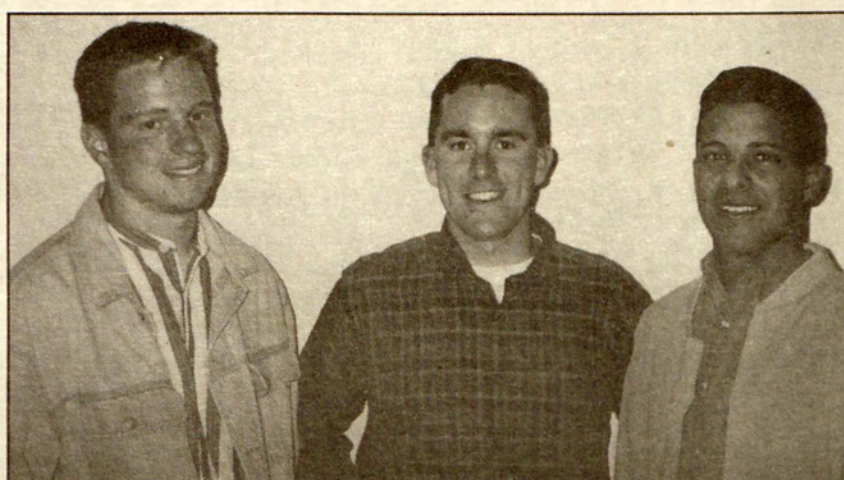
Mike Ferreira — this one's for you!
 "Initiations... are initiations into friendships.
 Initiations... are initiations into a family.
 Initiations... provide MEMORIES for 'LIFE'."

WHAT IS YOUR MOST MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE AT PC THIS YEAR?



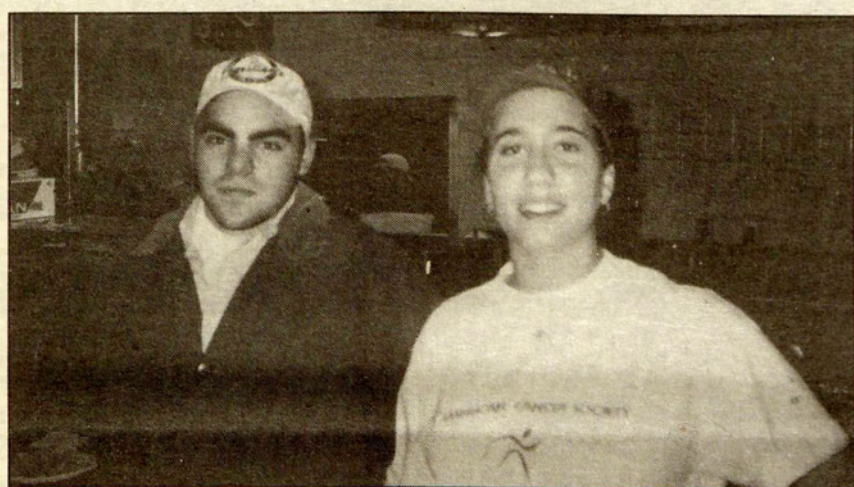
Maura Sichol '98 and Christine Harding '98

"Wasting Away At Margaritaville's
(and at T.F. Green Airport)."



Dan Kennedy '96, Mike Rush '96 and Jay Vallee '97

"Electing Mike Walsh as Student Congress President."



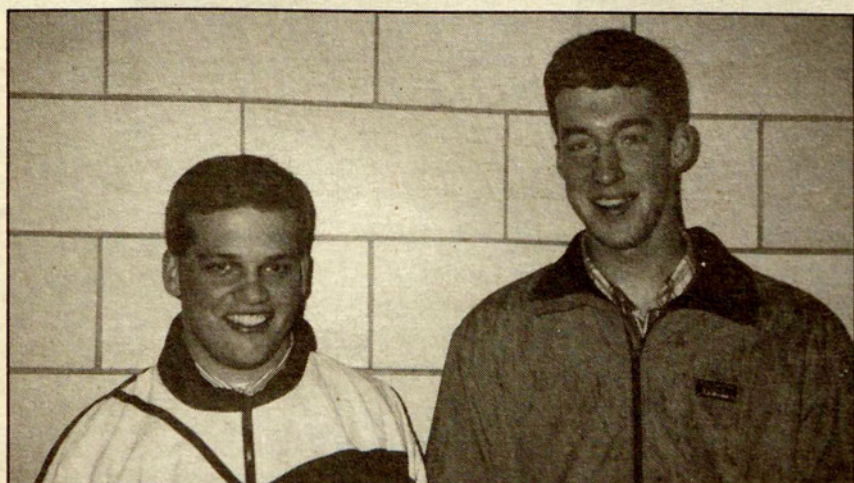
Dave Degasperis '99 and Rosemary Bchara '99

"No RA's in Dore Junior Ring Weekend."



Kristina Newman '99, Trish Conron '99 and
Courtney Mellon '99

"Telling Trish the next day that she got kicked
out of the BDB!"



Matt Johnson '98 and Matt McCabe '98

"The invention of Natural Ice."



Don Mahoney '96 and Dianne daCosta '96

"The time we got naked on Raymond Steps!"



(L-R) Jen Hastings '98, Casey Horton '99, Katie
Ferreira '98 and (in front) Leonore Lesho '98

"Trying to keep Leonore vertical."



Kristen Rushworth '97, Meg Whiteside '97 and
Phil DeSanti '98

"Wait?!? We're not at Harvard?"

Matty and Rizzo: "Friendly kisses leading to friends with benefits!"

We Will Never Forget

LAUREN MACK - THE MORNING RECALL WOULD TAKE TOO LONG. WHERE DID ALL THE TIME GO? LOVE, THE GIRLS

112, SONWBALL FIGHTS, LIVING WITH LOVE-BIRDS, TRIPS TO GRAVITY, DADDY, STEPHEN L, OUR PORCH, LATE NIGHT SMOKES, COME BACK AND VISIT. LOVE 110.

GUYS STILL LEFT IN EDITORIALS I'LL MISS YOU. BRD

TO ALL MY LOVERS GOODBYE IS HARD TO SAY, YOU MAY KNOW ME AS WILL, BILL, SCOTT, OR BRAY, I HAVE SO MANY NAMES BUT I CAN'T REMEMBER YOURS, BUT I WANT TO LET YOU KNOW YOU WERE ALL WONDERFUL SCORES, WE FROlickED, SNUGGLED, CARESSED AND LICKED, AND WHEN I GOT IT UP I'M SORRY I CAME TOO QUICK, FINALLY, IT'S TIME TO SAY FAREWELL WITH A WAVE AND A TEAR, I WILL STATE NOW THAT I'M A DRUNK, I'M A QUEER, AND I WON'T BE SEEING YOU NEXT YEAR,

TO OUR SWEETPEA ML, OUR DAYS WITHOUT

YOU HERE AT PC WILL BE EMPTY. HOPEFULLY OUR INCREDIBLE RELATIONSHIP WILL CONTINUE...PEANUT AND M. DANCER

K TO THE A TO THE T TO THE Y (KATIE) - WHAT IS THAT STRANGE SMELL IN YOUR CAR ANYWAY? MONALACAPISIA?? WANNA PLAY FONT TRIVIA? CAN YOU SHARE SOME OF YOUR YEN WITH US NEXT YEAR? LOVE - EDO AND KRISSYTINA

HEATHER V - THANKS SO MUCH FOR ALWAYS BELIEVING IN ME WHEN NO ONE ELSE DID AND STICKING BY ME WHEN I NEEDED YOU THE MOST. YOU'RE THE EPITOME OF A TRUE FRIEND. THANKS FOR MAKING MY SENIOR YEAR ONE TO REMEMBER. I'M GONNA MISS YOU! MEAG

CRAZY JOE! WE'LL NEVER FORGET THOSE FROTHY DRINKS IN FENNEL. DON'T GIVE UP ON SARAH! BEST OF LUCK NEXT YEAR. WE'LL MISS YOU! FROM THE GIRLS IN RAY.

DEAR HAMBONE, THANKS FOR TWO INCREDIBLE YEARS, I'M NOT GOING FAR; YOU'LL KNOW WHERE TO FIND ME! I LOVE YOU! - CRAZY LIL'NUT

THANKS TO ALL THE SE-

You!!!

NIORS WHO HAVE GIVEN ME GREAT TIMES AND GREAT FRIENDSHIPS. WE'LL MISS YOU. GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK. MATT SMITH

JIM, "WHO'S YOUR DADDY" LOVE, B ALWAYS

MEGONE - BLUEBERRY MUFFINS, CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES, WHO'S GONNA BE OUR BETTY CROCKER NEXT YEAR? PARTY LIKE A ROCKSTAR FOREVER, BUT DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR ALARM FOR COOPER'S! GOOD LUCK, WE'RE PROUD OF YOU!!! LOVE SGD'S FOREVER!

AG- IS THERE A DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE? SOON ENOUGH. THANKS FOR THE TALKS. ALL THE BEST. BRD

CRU - THANK YOU SOO MUCH FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. YOU HAVE BEEN MY INSPIRATION AND MY CLOSEST FRIEND. I WILL TREASURE THE MEMORIES FOREVER. GABLES

JM - WOW, I CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER A CONVERSATION LIKE THAT ONE, BUT I THINK WE CAME OUT BETTER PEOPLE, OR AT LEAST I DID. THANKS FOR CARING

ENOUGH TO TAKE THE TIME. NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, YOU WILL

ALWAYS BE IN MY HEART. THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES. YOU'RE THE BEST. MEAG

DEAR EDO- YOU ARE AWESOME! YOU DID A GR8 JOB THIS YEAR AND YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW MUCH YOU WILL BE MISSED! TAKE CARE YOU ARE ONE OF A KIND! LOV, SHAF:)

MAD PROPS TO THE COWL STAFF 95-96! - YOU GUYS ROCKED THE HOUSE YA'LL! WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS HOW PROUD I AM OF ALL OF YOU. WE PUT OUT THE BEST NEWSPAPER IN THE UNIVERSE! DON'T FORGET THE QUOTE BOARD, OUR SRO STAFF MEETINGS, RONZIO'S BEING SO THERE FOR US, AND ALL OF THE THOUSAND OF JOKES. I'LL NEVER FORGET IT. LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP ALWAYS - EDO

SHAFF, THE NEW QUEEN SUPREME - YOU WILL BRING THE COWL TO NEW HEIGHTS NEXT YEAR! LOVE - TEDO

JANEAN, KATE, KATRIN AND ANDREA - WE DID IT!! ALWAYS BE PROUD OF YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS, AND NEVER

STOP DREAMING. I LOVE YOU ALL. - BRIDGET

BEST OF LUCK TO KIM,

STAY YOU IMPERFECT SENIORS -- TELL ME MORE. YOUR PAL, FLEANCE (JOKING)

"HELLO" KIM, JEFF, AND LISA! THANKS FOR THE FUN TIMES IN THE CITY THAT READS. REMEMBER THE LAUGHS AND THE MEMORIES. FROM YOUR FELLOW HABITATERS (PS: JEFF, BE CAREFUL WITH THOSE HAMMERS!)

RENET: EVERY DAY, I GET UP AND PRAY TO JOHN. AND HE INCREASES THE NUMBER OF FROGS BY EXACTLY ONE. I HAD A DREAM LAST NIGHT AND I FORGET WHAT IT WAS. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP, PREPARE FOR A&E TO GO DOWN IN FLAMES. YOUR SUCCESSOR--SABLONE (P.S. GO GET SOME TACOS)

TO THE CLASS OF 1996- BEST OF LUCK IN THE FUTURE, GOD BLESS YOU, AND GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. -PRESIDENT MIKE RUSH'

JB- THANX FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP, GUIDANCE AND NICKNAME! I WILL MISS YOU BUNCHES! GOOD LUCK IN FRANCE! SHAF :)

Goodbye Cowl

Seniors! We wish you the best of luck and miss you

already!!!

Edo, Erin, Beth, Kiernan, Tracey, Bridget, Kristina, Keith, Borgmeyer, Liz, Melissa, Anne, Katie, Grandpa

Familiar Faces

by Sarah Antonello '98
Features Writer

Their smiles are a familiar sight, their squinting eyes a comfort. We learn to recognize the way they walk, although we don't know their names. It's not even one person in particular, it's the faces in the crowd. The faces that pass by us every day on our way to class or in the cafeteria, who are such a part of our life here, but with whom we've never shared words.

We fit them into our lives, and see them from the viewpoint of how they affect us. We give them names like "Butt-Kid," "Late-For-Civ-Girl," and "Mural-Boy," based on what role they play in relation to us. We don't see them as individual people. They have no speaking parts; they are just extras who don't even get their names put in the credits. But we notice them, and we know that they add little details to our life. Even the ones we don't have labels for are a part of our experience here at Providence College. We get used to seeing them, and grow to feel like we know them, although we've never exchanged anything more than hellos.

It's hard for us to stand back and realize that they too, are individuals. Each person has their own memories, their own dreams, and their own little pet peeves that annoy them to death. They, like us, are living a life and trying to get through it the best they can. They see the familiar faces in the crowd too. The faces that play certain roles in their lives. They know the "Fro-Yo-Girl," and the "Talks-To-Himself-Guy," and take comfort in the familiarity of these faces. They may have different characters in their lives, different faces that they are used to seeing each day, but these characters will still serve the same purpose of playing roles and adding details to their lives.

So now I can only wonder if I, too, am a face in the crowd. Do people see me walking by and rec-

ognize me, even though we've never even met? Do they call me "the short girl," or "Elmo-girl," and is that what I'm known as to them? Am I a part of their lives like they are a part of mine? How do they see me in relation to themselves? When I see the girl who stood ahead of me in line at Registration, will she recognize me as the girl with the yellow raincoat who stood behind her the next time I walk past her in the library? Do I have a certain role in different people's lives? It's strange when you start to think this way. When you start to think of yourself in relation to others, and others in relation to you. These same people that I have placed in roles in my life have been living their own lives and assigning their own roles to those around them. They see the people around them from their point of view, just as I do, and everyone else sees others from their own individual points of view.

So, when I leave this campus next week for summer vacation, not only am I going to miss my roommates and my friends, but also those faces that I've gotten used to seeing each day. I am going to miss their smiles, their little quirks, the certain way they shuffle their feet. I'm going to miss the familiarity of the roles that I, along with others, have put them in. I wonder if they know who they are, these faces in the crowd. I wonder if I, too, am one. I wonder if someone that I've never met is going to miss me, going to miss seeing me bouncing around Slavin with a gum ball in my hand. I wonder if those people that have a role in my life have any idea that I notice them, or if they notice me back. So, as I write my first article for *The Cowl* and my last for the year, I'd like to take this chance to say, good-bye, "Butt-Kid," good-bye "Fro-Yo-Girl," until next September when you once again become a person in my life, and I become a person in yours.

time talked to a sun dial

by Emily Benfer '99
Contributing Writer

we all know the speed with which life races and we have all asked ourselves at one point in time where did it all go? and all to no avail. we are unable to account for every moment, every laugh, every tear. sometimes, we let ourselves be swept up into the whirlwind and fail to appreciate the days that, when combined, made us who we are. i failed to appreciate the vitality existing in the enduring threads of every individual. i overlooked the majestic visions, conjured up by forces unknown, beyond the confines or protection of the window. upon the realization, i unlocked my ignorant eyes and began to understand the days, rather than allowing life to take me for a ride, i became the driver. i started to see the uniqueness of spirit in the people around us, i noted their ambition, their strength and their hearts.

my father once introduced me to a man who devoted his life to a sun dial. every day mimicked the ones past. he rose with the sun and began counting the hours until the day melted into blackness and he lost his

sight until the sun reappeared. he watched as life disappeared into the shadow representing time. i asked him what time it was, as i had forgotten my watch (i do that a lot, and my whole day becomes helter skelter). he was mesmerized by the shadow and incoherently mumbled a few numbers. i asked him if he remembered all of the days of his life. the question broke his concentration and he turned his gaze slowly towards me. i could see his eyes and almost feel his swollen soul. he said, "i can't, because i gave my life to time." he died recently and is laid to rest at the foot of the sun dial.

i have since broken away from the dictates of time and taken the opportunity to appreciate life; to live it rather than let it pass me by. we soon will part, some for summer recess and some to experience "life after college" but we will take with us our memories and the knowledge we have acquired, both scholastic (hopefully, anyway) and experimental. give yourself the chance to realize the world, to realize those around you and to realize yourself. take control of this life, destiny is waiting for your dictation.

College...

People who go to college are incredible.
We go to classes.
We read and absorb and are comprehensively tested on heavy amounts of material.
We sleep very little.
We drink ourselves into oblivion.
We kill ourselves with several types of smoke.
We cough and keep smoking.
Someone is always sick.
Someone is always complaining.
We become attached to close friends.
We smother each other.
We lean too much.
We think often of the past, and we want to go back.
We know we cannot.
We all have separate lives, families, backgrounds, and pasts.
We live totally different from how we used to live.
We are frustrated and sometimes we want to give up, but we never stop trying.
We disregard health.
We eat awful foods.
We are forced to think of the future.
We are scared and confused.
We reach out for things, yet we don't find them.
We try to sort out our minds, which are filled with studies, worries, problems, memories, emotions — powerful feelings.
We wander the halls looking for happiness.
We hurt — a lot.
We keep going, though, because above all else, we never stop learning, growing, changing, and most importantly dreaming.
Dreams keep us going and they always will.
All we can do is thank God that we have something to hold onto, like dreams and each other.

- Author Unknown

Scenes from the Quad

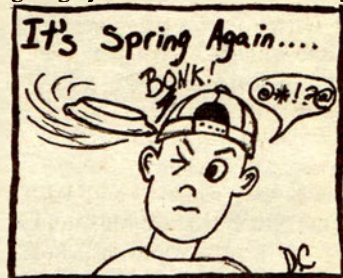
by Ellen Mastrostefano '99
Features Writer

The sun's warmth is beaming through the clouds. Various types of balls and frisbees are being thrown around as sunbathing girls relax to the sounds of tunes blasting from a stereo. This may seem like a scene from spring break at the beach. Not so. It's a scene that takes place on our own beloved campus. A transformation occurs every spring not only in the plants and flowers around us, but also in our fellow students and faculty. The chill of winter that seemed never ending, has now become a thing of the past. Unemotional expressions seen on the faces of my friends have defrosted into warm and friendly smiles. Like mother nature, people have "bloomed" into the spirit of spring. Everyone has found a new method of procrastination by going outside and enjoying the weather. For weeks, people have been prisoners in their own rooms. Now, that fifteen page paper due tomorrow can be put off until tonight - it's time to go outside and play.

However, play time is limited. Pretty soon we will have to start studying for finals. Be prepared for a shortage of cubicles in the library. Not to mention those annoying people who brag about how their exams are finished so early.

Those of us who get to stick around for an extra week just have more time to hang out before the grind of the summer work schedules begin.

As the year winds down, I will continue to see mixed expressions on the people that stroll across the quad. Some are happy to be done with their academic work for the year, others apprehensive towards leaving their home-away-from-home for good. Just like the changing seasons, there is an on-going cycle at Providence College.



This year's nervous freshmen will, in four years, turn into strong, secure seniors. Within this time, the experiences on this campus will shape each student. When we pack our bags to leave for summer, may we never forget all the new people we've met, experiences we've had, and (most importantly) the things we've learned. Have a great summer and best wishes to the Class of 1996!

Clean Belly Buttons and Cows?

by Ali Fallon '98
Features Writer

Do you know what percentage of United States citizens clean their belly buttons every day? Are you curious to know if there is a larger number of cows or people in the state of Montana? Although you may never have wondered about such things, and quite frankly probably do not care, no one can deny that they have participated in a conversation that promoted "the flow of useless knowledge". Whether you have asked a strange question, answered an obscure question, or just felt the urge to share a little tidbit that you may have thought was cool, but definitely could have been lived without, we have all been involved.

There are a vast number of ways that people acquire useless trivia. The most obvious of these would be through the game appropriately named Trivial Pursuit (last time that I played I learned that gymophobia is the fear of nudity). Or, perhaps Alex Trebek and the Jeopardy! "Answer" writers have sparked you to explore odd subjects, (would you be able to correctly identify Rhode Island as being the only state in the U.S.A. named after a Greek Island)? Our family and friends are often treasures filled with frivolous information. I recently overheard the perfect example of a friend sharing his "golden facts" in Mondo. One guy questioned his posse, "Hey, guys, I bet none of you know how they remove a tapeworm?" Of course his chums did not know, but asked him to satisfy their curiosity.

"Well, they tie a piece of pork to the end of a string. Then, they push it down the person's throat. When the worm bites the piece of meat, the string with the worm attached, is pulled out of their mouth." This conversation was completely inappropriate to share during mealtime and quickly made me lose my appetite, but, I am still wondering if this is true? Any future medical school students out there who would like to help me out? There is, of course, also the influence of PBS, A&E, and other similar television networks. A five hour documentary on the butterflies of southern Australian provinces is bound to reveal some knowledge that is not necessary to better our well being. The next group is one of the largest contributors. They deserve recognition as providing us simultaneously with useless and insightful knowledge. They are our teachers! How many times have you or a classmate questioned a teacher about what you are learning with the remark, "But, when are we going to need this in real life?" No teacher could ever give a good answer. Why I learned that nineteen liters of water are used in one flush of a toilet I'll never know. Actually maybe it will help me be all I can be someday. Somehow, I doubt it.

Speaking of things that there is really no need to know, while driving back to school after Easter break, I asked my friend how many exits there are in the state of Connecticut. He roared laughing, and asked if I was serious. Although the question seemed rational at the time (to me at least), I now feel like

a jerk. I've come to realize, "Who cares?" If I had gotten an answer, I would now probably wonder why someone was weird enough to know.

Did you know that you can even attain useless knowledge while waiting in line for a beer? Yes, that is right, while waiting on line for a beer at the new Boston Garden, one can watch television. The television flashes pieces of information about the newly remodeled stadium. Recently, an eager sharer of useless knowledge, was thrilled to endow me with the fact that all the ramps were built at an angle of less than fourteen degrees so that the elephants would be able to walk up them when the circus comes to town. Apparently, elephants refuse to walk up inclines of more than fourteen degrees. Now that you are aware of this, you will undoubtedly be able to sleep better tonight.

Which brings up my next point, why is it that when we acquire useless trivia, we feel compelled to share it? How many times has someone told you something, and once they are out of earshot, you share it with the next person that you see?

So, don't lie. I know that the only reason that you read this is because you caught a glimpse of the title and were curious of it's meaning. Well, I thank you for your patience, and so you know, 42% of Americans clean their belly buttons every day, and there is a whopping three times as many cows as people in the state of Montana!

A Touch of Fiction

Fade to Black

by Lori McCrevan '99
Features Editor

She gave me many excuses, but none of them seemed to fit. We all have a lot of work to do, and we all have hard weeks. I had two term papers due, and my printer broke the night before one of the papers was due. She was having trouble with her history professor, and she threatened to kill him many times. In my eyes that does not give her a reason, but her eyes have been seeing differently lately.

I started to worry about her when she was able to drink a glass of beer before one of my larger friends, Kevin, was halfway done. Her roommate laughed, but I think that was partly because she was drunk. Krissy watched and said that she opened her mouth and poured the drink down. I failed to see the humor in the situation, but then again I was probably the only one that was sober. I was probably the only one that was worried about her.

She stood up, and for a moment I did not know what she was going to do. She picked up the phone, and ordered a pizza. I didn't think that she was capable of putting the words together to do so, but she found the way and had it sent it to my room. I knew that she had no money, so I wondered why she ordered it. Then it came to me that she probably expected me to pay for it. Lucky me. I did not think that her exploiting me fit into my description of being her boyfriend, but at this point I'm not really sure if she knew exactly who she was. However, I had a feeling that she knew everything. She had a strange way of being able to act sober even though she was beyond the state I consider drunk.

The people started to leave when all of the pizza was gone. She had ordered three pizzas, not just one. Nevertheless they were all gone, and I was out twenty dollars. I forgot to mention that my apartment was a mess. It hasn't looked this bad since my best friend's twenty first birthday. I think that she was here then. Come to think of it, she didn't drink then. She used to be one of those people that knew exactly what she was doing and always had a list of the things that she had to do. I can't really describe her right now. I have a feeling that she would be really embarrassed if she knew how out of control she really was.

I started to clean up as she flipped through the stations on the television. She stared listlessly at the picture, and I knew that she was not really seeing what was on. She was just looking for something to watch. Maybe she was looking for something to keep her head from spinning. I stopped and looked at her for a moment. The way that she was staring told me that she was thinking about something, but I could not even comprehend what that would be.

"Don't ever let me do this again..." she murmured aloud. I'm not really sure if she was telling me, but I was listening. I wanted to tell her that I never wanted her to be like this, but she was not going to listen. This was her solution to the things that she refused to deal with. There was nothing I could say that was going to make

her head feel better or stop her stomach from turning. I handed her a glass of water, but she refused to drink it. I tried to tell her that she needed it, but she didn't believe me. She was never going to believe that I was trying to help her. Nevertheless, I felt that I had to.

I picked her up and put her into my bed. She started to mumble something again, but I could not

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comprehend what it was. It may have been thank you, but I could have just heard that because it is what I wanted to hear. I knew that she was lucky because it was me that was with her and not some guy that found her in a bar. I was the one that was treating her right, but she probably would not remember. Maybe someday she would remember the way she was. No wait,

maybe she would remember the way she was now and that would scare her into becoming what she was before. Whatever it was, I knew that this was not the girl that I had loved for the past three years. Part of me wanted her back, but the rest of me knew that she was never coming back. She would be glad to have me, someday.

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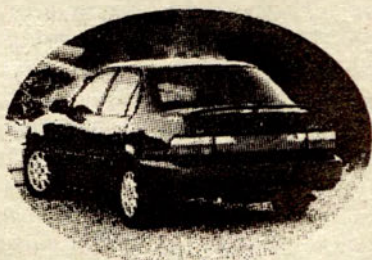
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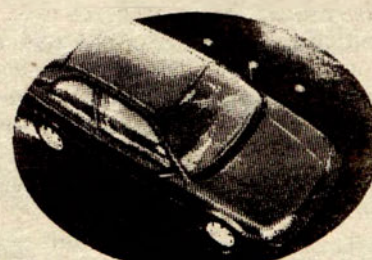
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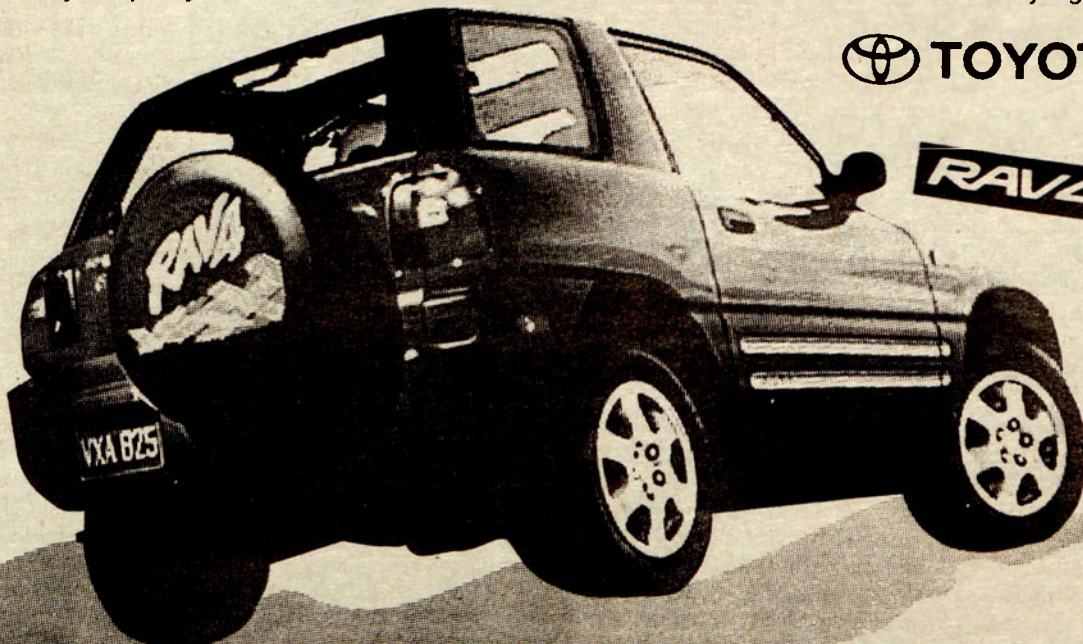
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My First Annual Awards List

by Patrick Canole '97
Features Writer

On Friday night, *The Cowl* had its annual awards banquet. While the ceremony was very nice, I found it a little disturbing that the only winners were people from *The Cowl*. Curious, eh? Well, not being an elitist, I sought to compile my own list of people and things deserving an award (and besides, it should balance off nicely all the other "I'm gonna miss my roommates" crap that will inevitably fill this issue). Here is my first annual list of awards and other things deserving recognition:

Best article: the
Best answer to a final Jeopardy question this semester: "Who is Jo Mama?" was one confused woman's response to the answer, "This actor's name means a cool breeze in Hawaiian" (I swear I'm not making this up). Oh, the look on Alex's face. The actual question was "Who is Keanu Reeves?"
Award for excellence in the field of being Patrick Heap: Patrick Heap
Worst Band (tie): Stone Temple Pilots, Bush, Collective Soul, Smashing Pumpkins, Silverchair (pick 'em, they all sound the same anyway).

Best 300 Pound 6'5" schizophrenic singer who sings about the concerts he's been to: Wesley Willis (Rock on London, rock over Chicago!)
Most underrated album: Green Day *Insomniac*. No really, don't laugh. I didn't even buy *Dookie*, but I love this album. It pretty much rocks the house.
Best video making fun of Euro-Candy Commercials: "Big Me," Foo Fighters (honorable mention to Oasis' "Champaign Supernova" and Live's "Lightning Crashes").
Best beer commercial song that wasn't really for a beer commercial: "Misery," Soul Asylum.

Best fashion trend on campus: belly buttons. I love 'em.
Only word I had censored this year: urinate.
Coolest guy going to Columbia next year: Phirum P. (good luck, Phirum).
Best extra value meal: #4
Best video to rent this week-end: *Clerks*. If you haven't seen it yet, I can't possibly describe how funny it is.
Best article topics I didn't get to write this year:
- "Why I like Victoria's Secret"
- "I've got cows"
- "Is it just my imagination, or is Jennifer Aniston always cold?"
Best show called "The X-Files": The X-Files.
Scariest Movie: *Kids* (everybody sing "I'm the one, natural one. . .").
Best movie with a really thin

plot and unbelievable bad guys but the coolest action sequences and a great star: *Rumble in the Bronx* (honorable mention: *Barbed Wire*).
Number of days until I turn 21: 11
Number of finals I have the day after: 2
Number of people still reading this crappy list article: just you.
Most annoying e-mail/Internet trends:
- typing in all caps
- on a forwarded message, leaving in every address that's ever seen the message (if only people had this feature, then we'd be careful about who we slept with)
- junk e-mail, that stupid stuff about voting for someone, pseudo-anarchist interest groups, etc.
Finally, I'd just like to say, I love you (yes, this means you).

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Quote of the Week

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I may not follow.
Don't walk behind me.
I may not lead.
Just walk beside me and be my friend.

-Albert Camus

Sites in the City

by Katie Fournier '99
Features Writer

"Sites in the City" has been a column for almost a year. It features unique sites around the city of Providence that I have visited. I began this column because I thought that students of Providence College would be interested in learning about the city in which they spend most of their time. During the remainder of my four years here, I do not want Eaton Street to be the only part of Providence that I know, and so I decided to broaden my horizons. You readers came along for the ride.

Providence has many hidden jewels just waiting to be uncovered. I decided to go on treasure hunts every week and show the rest of the college community what I have found by way of *The Cowl*. The most exciting part of my week is grabbing a friend and getting into a cab or hopping a bus, even though I may not know where I am going. The city of Providence may not be as challenging as New York City, but it is perfect for a small-town girl like me.

I have "discovered" and written about various locations ranging from coffee shops and junk stores on Atwells Avenue, to majestic churches and theaters. I try to sift out the most individual

places that I think would be fun for students to visit. My criteria for article material is as follows: the site must be affordable to the average college student and have a certain special charisma. The location does not necessarily have to be old, or even "cultural," but I think that those who read my articles have to be able to learn something from the experience. Of course, the site has to be intriguing enough for people to want to visit.

I am open to any suggestions that anyone might have regarding a site that would be useful for an article. That means that if you have visited a place in Providence that you want to share, please get in touch with me. Just drop your suggestions in *The Cowl* office. I would love to hear from you, and I am always open to new places and experiences.

Often, I end my articles by urging people to strike out on new adventures. I think that Providence has so many opportunities for eager minds. There are nooks and crannies to be explored. Take a friend. "Discover" a new place. Come tell me about it. Learn something new on your own and not in a classroom. Have fun, and make some memories. The city of Providence is waiting for you.

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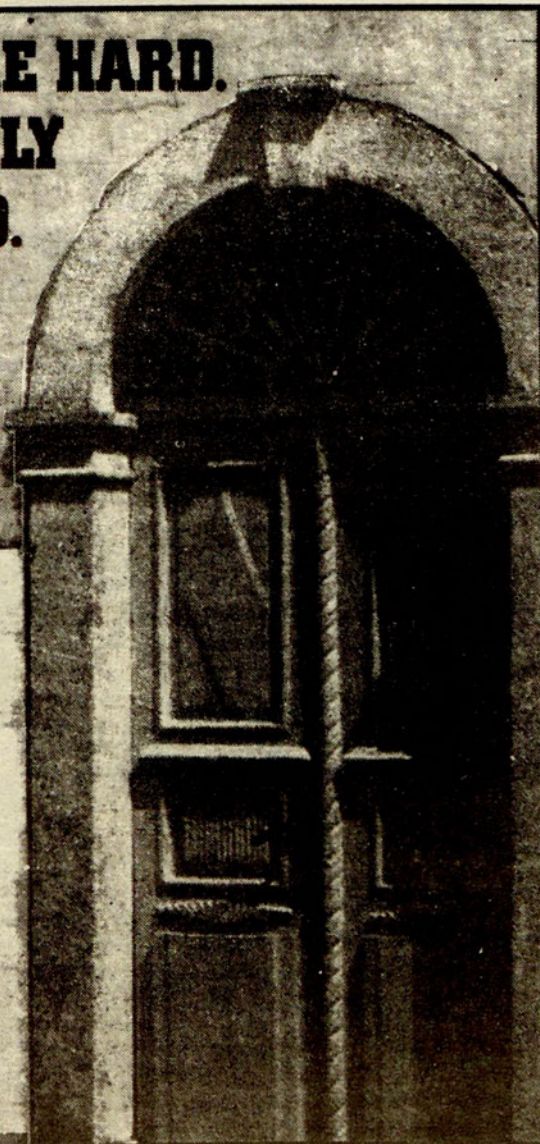
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A Ride on the Magic Bus

by Brian Kenney '99
Features Writer

I was waiting for the shuttle the other day and began thinking about the job the drivers do. They drive around our campus and the surrounding area picking up and dropping off students. It really is a thankless job. The administration is always telling where the drivers can and can't go. The students who are being brought home safely make an attempt to say thanks, but with a drunken slur their words of gratitude never quite make any sense. As the shuttle picked me up and I received my friendly

"hello" from one of the shuttle drivers I began to think about what I would do if I drove the shuttle for a weekend.

First of all I would work around my friends' schedules. My night would begin when theirs did. If anybody wanted to know the schedule for that night all they would have to do is give my friends a call. If you are shy and have absolutely no idea who my friends are, that's okay. I would put bells on the shuttle like an ice cream truck so that everyone would know that I am on my way.

I think I would have a different

theme every weekend for the riders of the shuttle. I could air brush the shuttle to look like the Mystery Machine. It would be a Scooby Doo weekend. Maybe we could soup up the shuttle to make it look like the A-team van. I could get a cardboard cut out of Mr. T. and say things like "sucka" and "fool". Okay, so maybe having a theme is a stupid thing after all.

If I got bored of driving around all night, I think I would taunt the drunk people walking home. I would pull up really close like I was picking them up, and as soon as they would try to open the door, I would

drive off. It would be a lot of fun seeing their disappointed faces in the mirror as everyone in the shuttle laughs at them. The best part about it is that you can play this trick more than once on drunk people. They never catch on that they're not going to get picked up.

If I wanted to get really mean I could drive over to Johnson and Wales where they have similar shuttles. I would cram in a bunch of Johnson and Wales students and drive them all the way over to Providence College. Pulling over to the side of the

road I would say, "This is as far as I go, get out". I would then play the same trick that I pulled on the drunk people. Every couple of minutes I would slow down right next to them as if I were going to pick them up and then speed off.

The point is that I would not be a very good shuttle driver. The shuttle drivers that work at Providence College do a great job. They are always nice and are willing to go a little off their route to save you from getting soaked in the rain. This weekend when the shuttle picks you up, be thankful that I'm not driving.

A New Day Yesterday

by Sarah Valente '99
Features Writer

We all know the saying, "Make new friends but keep the old, one is silver and the other gold." Well, for many people, including myself, that is exactly what I tried to do during my first year at college. As a result, I have two groups of friends whom I hope will remain my friends for a very long time.

Last summer, the summer before I began my college career at PC, I vowed to spend every mo-

ment with my friends. Our group, which consisted of six girls and one guy, had been inseparable since the beginning of senior year. Therefore, it seemed only natural that we should remain close over the summer, when we had even more free time than we did during the school year. Well, it didn't quite work out like I planned. Almost all seven of us had jobs that took up a lot of time, and when we weren't working we found other things to do, often times with different friends.

As the summer progressed, and the idea of starting college preyed on all of our minds, we realized that soon we would be separated. I can still remember the day the first member of our group left for school. How was I supposed to say goodbye to someone who had been such an important part of my life for so long? That was just the first of six good-byes that I would have to say to people whom I loved very much. I thought it would get easier by the time I got to number six, but it just got harder.

When it was my turn to leave, I left my town with the idea that our group would still be friends even though we had been split apart. The first few weeks were spent adjusting to our new lives. I didn't write or receive a letter until at least the third week of classes, and even though I knew I had so much to say, I found myself struggling to find the right words. I was so surprised that I couldn't talk to the very people who had shared in every aspect of my life for almost my entire

high school career. It was even more awkward when we were finally reunited at Thanksgiving. After exchanging the standard pleasantries and answering questions about classes, roommates, and parties, we all came to the same conclusion: we were not the same people we were a few months ago. We had all changed in one way or another, and the idea that we couldn't sit in a room together in complete silence without

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Some Book BuyBack Tips

From the P.C. Bookstore

— Remember, books can have great value — Don't leave them unattended, especially in the Library, the cafe or the bookstore bookdrop, during finals week.

— Publishers issue new editions frequently. Most textbooks are updated every three years. When a book is updated, or declared "out of print" it is usually of no value, both at P.C. and at other colleges.

Be a smart seller. Books for courses taught only once a year may be bought back at 1/2 price only once a year. Those courses which are offered only during the spring semester may be bought back at 1/2 price in December, not May.

— Many of the classes offered at P.C. are for the whole year. To get 50% back for your books you must sell them back during the buyback that precedes the start of that class. Always sell your full year class books back in May. If the book is still current and we have an order, you will get 50%.

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feeling uncomfortable scared us all.

Christmas break was less tense, partly because we had an entire month together and not just a week. We were able to spend quality time together, actually talking about how our lives had changed and not just telling stories about the classes we hated or how our sports teams were doing. One of my best memories of break was sharing coffee one night with my friend Craig. We had one of the best conversations we have ever had that night. It was then that I realized that we would always be friends, all seven of us, but it was necessary for us to become part of other groups of friends.

I have been extremely fortunate at PC to become part of a wonder-

ful new group of friends. The friendships that we have formed mean so much to me that sometimes I find it hard to believe that we have only known each other for eight months. We have made so many memories that I know will become the basis for friendships that will last for a long time.

Before I left for school I couldn't imagine my life without my old friends, and now I can't imagine my life without my new friends. Changing and experiencing new things are just a part of growing up, and no matter how much we want things to stay the same they must change. All of my friends, old and new, are very precious to me, each in their own way. This is just my way of saying thanks to all of them.

Seniors: Best Wishes and Good Luck

Please be aware of the dangers of alcohol abuse. Be responsible during commencement activities should you choose to drink.... make sure it is you're own decision whether to drink or not. Make it to your future, you're worth it.

A Message from Step 1

Civ is Dead

by Erin R. King '98
News Editor

This Friday, May 3rd, will be the first time the Class of 1998 will be celebrating the passing of time together. Besides our class ring premiere, Friday's "Done With Civ" celebration will be the first in a series of events during the next two years where we will bond as a class and maybe even get to "see Rep. Matt Smith perform the triple lindy."

Another remarkable thing about Friday, May 3rd is that it is the final day to drop off photos for our JRW video. Where has the time gone?

Admittedly, this article is a cliché; I have been told that every two years or so, *The Cowl* features a "What I Learned from Civ" article. But what do I know? I'm only a sophomore.

Wait a minute. I have just completed twenty credits of The Development of Western Civilization—the crowning glory of Providence College. I should know ev-

erything there is to know about philosophy, theology, history, and literature. We all should. Therefore, the question is, what have we learned?

Let's see. I learned that when Queen Elizabeth I died, she had over a quarter of an inch of makeup on her face.

Even Popes go to hell in Dante's Inferno.

It's not whether you win or lose, it's who your seminar professor is (which actually may determine whether you win or lose).

There IS Civilization in the East, only we don't have the time to discuss it in two years.

Looking at what I have written, one would think I haven't learned very much. That's not true. As an English major, I've discovered that if I don't have the time to do the reading, I can usually get by relatively unscathed by reviewing my Civ notes.

I didn't do any of the reading for Civ freshman year. I thought that was pretty cool, until I got to Civ sophomore year. Then I had

to do all the reading.

Lest I forget...I hear that cool Pete Keenan '99 guy enjoys Civ. He's pretty cool.

I think those "Coed Naked Civ: Studying the Arts While Learning Our Parts" T-shirts are pretty funny. Okay, I didn't learn much about that in Civ, but without the class I wouldn't understand the T-shirts.

After Civ, I can speak intelligently about Nietzsche, Wittgenstein, and Reinhold Niebuhr. However, finding people outside of the Providence College community to discuss Nietzsche, Wittgenstein, and Reinhold Niebuhr with is another challenge altogether (Heidegger? I hardly know her!).

I think the only way to describe the way I feel is by quoting Walter Cronkite, in the film *1968*, which I saw recently in Civ: "I think we've got a bunch of thugs here, Dan." Especially if they let that Matt Smith kid dive on Friday afternoon.

I Went to Iowa and it Was Okay

by Mike Sablone '98
A&E Editor

"It is a tale told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, signifying nothing."

Hi, I'm Michael Sablone. You may remember me from such sections as Arts and Entertainment, Sports, and News. Now, I've decided that in order to be a true renaissance writer, I must delve my pen into the vast abyss that is Features. Do not worry noble reader—I'm prepared.

Kick it back, waaaaayyyy back to November. November 20th in fact. Remember that day? I bet about 30 of you do (not including my brother, who's birthday is the next day). On November 20th, 1995, ten fearless women lead Providence to its first NCAA

On this particular night, the bear rode the lounge chair like a surfboard, mounted the male sportscaster, and got into a fight with a six foot Subway sub....

Championship. This is not their story. If it was, then it would be in Sports and I'm tired of that section. This is about me and my roommate John (and my other roommate Matt, who stayed home). You see, we were there. Braving the cold. Braving the Bear. I'm getting ahead of myself. I'm confusing you? Good.

Not so long ago, in a galaxy where people are nice to each other, John and I woke up in Ames, Iowa. It was 7:00 a.m. We showered, (first time in weeks I think) grabbed a donut, gulped down some juice, and headed out the door. **FUN FACT #1:** Cabbies in Iowa guess on how far they've gone. No meters leads to discrep-

ancies between the two cabbies that operate in Ames. That's right, there are only two. Anyway, Mr. Cab driver dropped us off in the middle of a huge field. It was empty. We were early. This is not a common occurrence. In fact, the race director was amazed at how early we were. John and I smiled at each other—we had impressed someone.

At 8:50 we were given our credentials. That's right, we were professionals (Every time I look at the press pass I laugh. Professional photographer. Oh, that's a good one). I proudly placed the huge piece of plastic around my neck and paraded around the press tent. As I walked out into the 400 mph winds, my icon proceeded to whip around my neck and pierce my neck. I fell on the ground. People laughed at me. I got up and proceeded to fall down every two steps I took, just to let people know that I was into that sort of thing.

Have you ever seen a stampede? I haven't either, but I saw something that was about as close to a stampede as humanly possible. Around 10:00 the starting gun went off and the best male collegiate runners in America came charging down the opening hill. It scared me.

I spent the next hour and a half running around the \$500,000 cross country course trying to take pictures. The wind had increased to 700 mph and the temperature had decided to drop minute by minute. If you haven't been to Iowa, I would suggest going when it is warmer out. Since it is flat, nothing stops the wind. This is a very bad thing. Wind=bad. No wind=good.

Oh yeah, the women won the championship. That was fun.

When the women won, the awards ceremony was very late. This was very irritating, because no one stayed for it. Some teams had legitimate reasons, (they had to catch a plane) some didn't (if I had asked anyone then I'd put

some lame-ass excuse). Here's something that makes this article interactive! Go to your local newspaper and see if they have any AP pictures of the championships. Look for one with a short kid taking an extreme close-up picture of



the scoreboard. That is me. Yes, ladies and gentlemen, your fearless writer/photographer had his picture taken by an AP photographer. I confused the Dickens out of him when he said "What paper do you take pictures for?" I replied "Uh, I don't take photos. I'm an Arts and Entertainment writer for the Providence College Cowl." He looked puzzled and said "But, you have a camera." "Oh, sure I take pictures as well." Looking back upon it, I really should have just said yes, but that wouldn't have made a good story.

Geez, I almost forgot a very important aspect of the story. I'll give you the brief version: Trying to get pictures of the women rolling down a hill, my hat blew off and was taken to Indochina in 6.3 seconds. I really, really liked the hat. It was a nice puke green/drab grey color with the word "Slug" on the front. People wept when I came back without a hat. I had really long hair then. I just got it cut off. All of it. People don't recognize me. I don't recognize me. My parents called and they could tell that I had my hair cut. OK, I'm slowly getting off course here. Back to the storyline.

The rest of the night consisted of John and I walking 3 miles down a dirt road that had no street lights in order to get to a restaurant that one of our Cab drivers suggested. It was worth the scari-

ness. The stars are everywhere out there. Right on top of you. I met E.T.

After we got back we settled in to witness the finest in Iowanian entertainment: Grain and feed ads. Nutritional and informational. We watched the local news and by mistake kept the channel on. At least, we thought that it was a mistake. We witnessed the highest-quality television show on that had a budget of 27 cents. Its title: Beat the Bear. It was amazing. I now shall use my extensive knowledge of the entertainment world to critique Beat the Bear.

Beat the Bear is a theme TV show that is only shown in Iowa. The concept is as follows: There are two sports broadcasters who sit on Lay-Z-Boys. In between the two is a seven foot bear. On the left is a has-been special guest (I pray that he was a has-been). For our show there was an Italian comedian that forgot that by definition he was supposed to be funny. Anyway, all four make predictions on certain sporting contests that involve Iowa College teams. The two sports casters and the guest make predictions that are accurate. The Bear has no use for seriousness. He holds up hilarious heroic couplets that bring the house down. Did I mention that the house is filled with frat boys who have never stopped drinking? Nah well, it's inconsequential. The best part of the show is when the bear gets bored. On this particular night, the Bear jumped from Lay-Z-Boy to Lay-Z-Boy, rode the lounge chair like a surfboard, mounted the male sports caster (to which the man proceeded to thrust his hand between the legs), and got into a fight with a six foot Subway sub (did I mention that they are sponsored by Subway and that the sub cheers on the audience? Damn, I've got to remember things more clearly).

After the show ended, John

and I looked at each other in horror. Then we laughed. We laughed until 2:00 a.m., at which time John passed out on his bed. I stayed up, transfixed by the set, wishing that the Bear would resurface, but alas, he did not show up. At 3:45 AM the alarm went off telling us that our adventure had ended and we had to go home. I forgot the tickets at the hotel, which was 45 minutes away from the airport. We eventually got on a plane for home and it was there when I realized what had just taken place. We had traveled across the US in order to cover an event, like true professionals. We had then watched a TV show which has caused me to give up watching TV in the north—it pales in comparison to the Bear.

Around 6:00 a.m we boarded a puddle-jumper that would take us to Milwaukee. I glanced out the window and saw the sunrise — from above the clouds. If you have ever seen a sunrise over the clouds, you will know what I experienced. It pretty much takes your breath away.



Nonetheless, I must digress. I have taken up too much of your time. I have filled your brain with scorpions. I have pushed the limit into a very long "A&E-style" article. I appreciate those brave souls who have forged their way through this melee. May the Bear be with you.

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runs in the first. However, after getting out of the ugly first, Byron pitched well, shutting Seton Hall out for the next five innings and allowing only one run in the seventh. Meanwhile, by the middle of the eighth, the Friar batters had taken the lead, 7-6. In the bottom half of the eighth, the Pirates tied it up and both teams were blanked in the ninth. In the top of the tenth, the Friars responded to the challenge and put up four runs. Galligan came in to close the game, and despite giving up two hits, didn't allow a run, securing an 11-7 Friar victory. Pete Tucci and Scott Friedholm, the two major power-hitters, each knocked in three runs.

The next day, the Friars played just down the road against Big East newcomer, Rutgers. This was McDonald's big day. He homered in each game and went four for eight with five RBI's. In the first game, he was joined by Scott Friedholm who went two for three with a homer and four RBI's. Jim O'Brien started the game and went the distance, with sixes across the board: six runs, six hits, six walks and six strikeouts.

In the second game, Mike Macone started and had another bad outing. He gave up four runs on six hits with four walks in only two and one third innings, Ryan Ricciardi came in and could not stop the bleeding, giving up five runs on five hits with three walks in just an inning and two thirds. Todd Murray finished the game and faired a little better, giving up only two runs in his four innings of work. Providence batters did fair, with McDonald being joined by Angelo Ciminiello, Corey Bike,

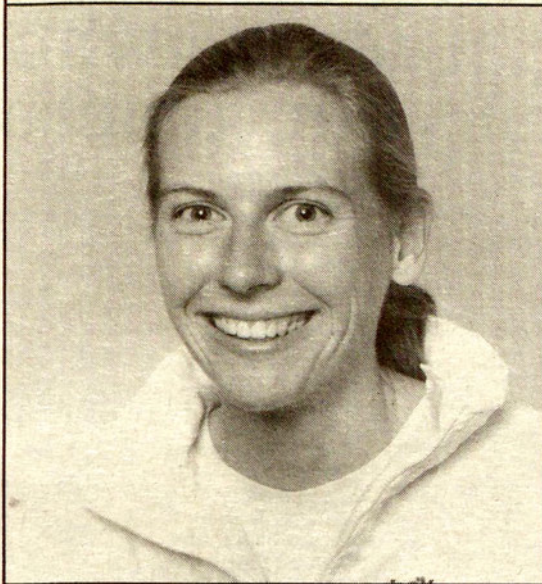
and Pete Vafiades who each went two for three with a walk each. Friedholm also had his second home run of the day. Rutgers won 11-7, on 13 hits plus one Providence error which was responsible for one unearned run.

On Tuesday, Northwestern came to Hendricken Field for an afternoon game. Senior Mike Kendzierski started the game and pitched pretty well. He didn't allow any earned runs in the first five innings and continually pitched himself out of jams using the strikeout or getting the Husky hitters to shot grounders at the solid Providence infield defenders. However, the Huskies did score three unearned runs off a Pete Vafiades dropped ball in the second. The Providence hitters could not provide any support, mustering only two runs on five hits. Steve Kaminski relieved Kendzierski after he gave up a two run homer in the sixth, and pitched two solid shutout innings before getting tagged for three in the ninth, one of which was caused by a wild pitch. Northwestern won 8-2.

Momentum is a precious, but fickle thing. As long as PC continues to play the defense they turned in yesterday, they'll keep the momentum and carry it into the tournament.

"We needed to win today, we need to win tomorrow," concluded Kostacopoulos. "Baseball's a streaky game. You get on a streak, you can stay on it for awhile, you get on a bad one, you usually stay on it for awhile. So hopefully we can roll in tomorrow at Brown, get a "W" at Brown, get a couple wins this weekend and then we're right where we want to be."

PC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Maria McCambridge
(Dublin, Ireland)
Women's Track

Maria cruised to victory in the 3000-meters last Thursday at the prestigious Penn Relays. After her time of 9:24 placed her over twenty meters in front of the second placed finisher and qualified for the NCAAs.

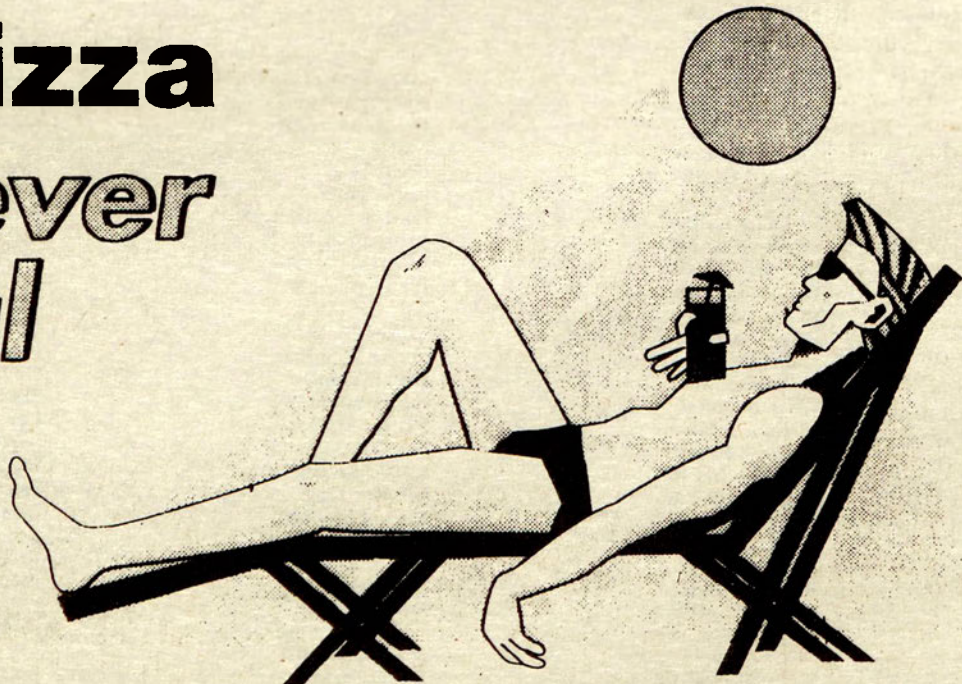


Natalie Leduc '96
(Burrrville, RI)
Women's Tennis

Natalie was 17-9 overall and 8-3 this spring out of 4, 5, and 6 positions. Natalie also teamed with Christie Judge, Katie Burke, and Gretchen Marquard to go 5-2 in both the number two and number three positions in helping the Lady Friars to a ninth place finish in the Big East Championships. Cory McGann, Sports Editor of *The Cowl*, also thinks shes pretty cool.

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Ketelaar Dodges the Draft

Pieter J. Ketelaar '97
Sports Writer

In the wake of decisions by UMass center Marcus Camby and high school phenom Kobe Bryant to opt for the NBA in lieu of finishing school, I have decided that I will also forego my senior year of college and make myself available for the NBA draft. At 5' 5", 142 lbs. I figure my chances of actually being drafted are pretty slim, considering the competition that I'm up against, with guards like Georgia Tech's Stephon Marbury and UConn's Ray Allen available (and Allen Iverson hasn't even made up his mind yet). All things being equal, I'm projected to go somewhere in the 91st round to the Vancouver Grizzlies (although I refuse to play for them until they change their uniforms).

While my chances of being drafted are remote, I cannot help but wonder what the chances of these talented but somewhat impatient athletes are in a bigger and tougher game where the stakes are much higher, Life. On Monday, Camby announced his intentions to defect from the college ranks after three years at Massachusetts, citing that he had "done all he wanted to do at this level." That same day, high school senior Kobe Bryant (Merion, PA), a 6'6" guard who on draft day will be just 17 years old, ended speculation about his future and decided to follow in the footsteps of Minnesota Timberwolf Kevin Garnett, going from high school to the NBA. Bryant, son of sixteen year NBA veteran Joe, averaged 30.7 points per contest in leading his team to a state title. While he is the #1 high school talent in the nation, he is only projected as the 11th best prospect available for the draft.

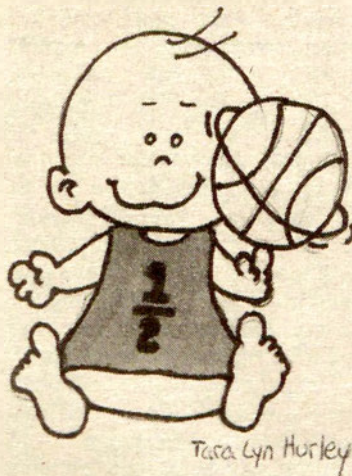
My question is, what's the rush? The NBA is not going anywhere (or is it?). How can the league possibly encourage this, or stand by idly while it happens? Is this the same NBA that sponsors nationwide "Stay in School" programs? Pretty soon we'll have high school freshmen coming out for the draft. It's got to stop.

Scouts say that Bryant's game is ahead of most college guys who have been playing for years, but where is he mentally? Is he smart enough to stay out of trouble? Sure, he'll have millions to pay for any problems come draft day, but maybe he should think about the responsibility and maturity that comes along with the signing bonus. Go ahead, sign your life, I mean your name, on the line. Is he ready for the grueling NBA life on the road at the tender age of 17? I didn't get my driver's license until I turned 17, and many thought that was a mistake! Is he ready for the five-city road trips that see players saunter into their respective hotels at 5 a.m. the day before a game. Is he ready to be on the same court with a Dennis Rodman? (Is anyone?)

Bryant and the countless other underclassmen coming to an pro basketball court near you say that they want to learn in the NBA. One could learn much from the likes of Jordan, Magic, Ewing, and Hakeem, but what about a college degree? What happens if you don't make the team? What about career-ending injuries? What's your game plan then? You need an education, something to fall back on in life because nothing is guaranteed. Players argue that they run the risk of injury by staying in college. That's rubbish. You run the

risk of getting hit by lightning every time it rains. I understand that some need the money more than others, but the money will still be there. Look at it this way, by staying in school, like Syracuse's John Wallace, and excelling you can increase your value. Why be the 42nd player taken when you can stay in school for more seasoning in the hopes of going higher the following year, arriving in the pros mentally ready for life's challenges, come what may.

At least, the recent Providence College players to make the NBA stayed to graduate. Dickie



Simpkins (Chicago), Michael Smith (Sacramento), Erik Williams (Boston), and Troy Brown (drafted by Atlanta, then released) did the right thing. Their talent may not have afforded them the opportunity to leave college early, but they finished and wherever life takes them, at least they'll have the pride and satisfaction that comes with a college education. I implore players like God Shammgod '99 and Jamel Thomas '99 to please stay in school. Don't become the next Marbury. It's absolutely silly to think that the NBA will dry up and blow away without college un-

derclassmen. The smart ones will stay, the ones who want the money will go. I know for many the NBA is the culmination of years of hard work for a life-long dream. I cannot discount the value of chasing your dreams, and I encourage everyone to go out and get what they want from life. But the NBA is not a daydream that will disappear when you wake up. However, make the wrong moves, leave college or not go to school at all, life may become a nightmare that you'll never wake up from.



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Friars Hold Their Own

by Gladys Ganiel '99
Sports Writer

The Providence College golf team wrapped up its spring season last week, competing in the prestigious New England Championships and in a three team match at Wannamoisett. The Friars held their own, placing seventh out of 16 squads at the New Englands and losing to eventual New England Champ University of Rhode Island at Wannamoisett. Freshman Rick Dichard and senior Jeff Magee both excelled, as Dichard tied for fifth overall at the New Englands and Magee won the Wannamoisett meet with a low score of 72.

Coach Joe Prisco's Friars tackled the Wannamoisett course on April 23 in a weather-delayed showdown with Brown and URI. According to senior captain T.J. McDonald, "Wannamoisett is the toughest course we play. It's a par 69, but it seems as long as a par 72 course." Magee turned in a sparkling 72, as PC tallied 397 to URI's 392 and Brown's 414. Teammates Chris Buteau (78) and Joe Brennan (79) added support, while McDonald (82) and Brian Lavoie (86) rounded out the scoring. Pete Karalekas added a 95, and Dichard shot a 98.

"Rick didn't play well (at Wannamoisett)," McDonald commented, "but it's great that he could turn it around at (the) New Englands."

And turn it around he did. Dichard's two-day (April 25-26) total of 152 was good for a five-way tie for fifth. PC's top five totaled 628, placing seventh and finishing 16 strokes behind URI. Magee chipped in with a strong 154 while Buteau canvassed the

greens for a 159. Brennan (163) and McDonald (171) also contributed to the scoring. Besides the stiff competition, the Friars had to battle tough winds and a challenging Fairfield, CT course.

"The course is right on Long Island Sound, and it's the toughest we play, except Wannamoisett," McDonald said. "But I think the team played pretty well the whole spring. Maybe we could have played a little better (at the New Englands), but we're not as deep a team as we have been in past years. It also didn't help that Rod

"It was a tough break when Rod got hurt. It kind of took the wind out of our sails."

Capiello got hurt at the beginning of the spring."

Capiello, a senior, tore ligaments in his knee and never got the chance to tee off.

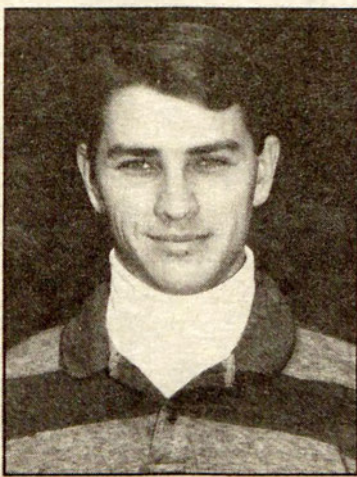
"It was a tough break when Rod got hurt," Brennan agreed. "It kind of took the wind out of our sails."

Brennan also concluded that "we played a little better in the spring season than we did in the fall season," when the Friars finished last in the Big East Conference meet. At the New Englands the Friars downed Big East foes BC and UConn, but Brennan said "we never proved ourselves. I thought we should have done much better at New Englands, considering how we were playing coming into it." Brennan, however, can look ahead to next year. "We need some new people to

come in and start building up the program, because we're losing T.J. and Jeff. And I think I'm capable of playing better than I did this year."

Buteau, who came on strong in the last few meets, will return to the team, along with Lavoie and Karalekas. Brennan and Dichard, with just one year of college golf under their belts, will be counted on more than ever next year. "Joe and Rick are both really talented," McDonald commented. "They came up really big for us, and that's not easy to do as freshmen." And while it will be hard to replace Magee, McDonald and Capiello, Coach Prisco's strong nucleus of youngsters should be primed for an even better season of golf in the fall.

Team Scores, New England Championships: URI 616, Yale 621, Brown 623, Harvard 623, Central Connecticut 627, New Hampshire 627, PC 628, Hartford 636, Dartmouth 637, BC 639, Holy Cross 641, UConn 643, Fairfield 655, Vermont 670, BU 681, Maine 697



Rod Capiello '96

Lacrosse Continued

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Matt Pymm, Chris McManus, and Thomas Bongiorno each chipped in a goal. Players credited with assists were McNulty with two, and McManus and Christian Bonelli '98, each with one. Goalie Rob Chambers '99 defended strongly with 20 saves.

Ironically, the weekend started out on a much better note, with the Friars winning an albeit close game against MAAC rival Marist College, 9-8.

It seemed on Saturday that the Friars had indeed rebounded from their losing streak. It was a surprising victory, for Marist came on strong in the first two quarters, leaving PC trailing 5-3, at the half. But the Friars stepped up their performance impressively in the third quarter, scoring three goals to the Red Fox's one.

The Friars opened up the fourth with three more goals, but Marist matched the challenge, scoring a pair to knot the game, 8-8. With the clock winding down, it was obvious that a decisive move needed to be made in order for PC to grasp victory.

It was freshman attack Pymm who accepted the challenge, clinching victory for Providence by scoring his third tally of the game with just four seconds remaining.

Other players contributing to the win were McManus with a hat trick, and Hanrahan, McNulty, and Nate Grenier with one apiece.

Pymm was credited with three assists, while McManus, Hanrahan and Gibney given one.

Freshman attack Matt Pymm has been an extraordinary asset in the uneven season. Ranked consistently in the MAAC league in terms of scoring, goals, points, and assists, Pymm has had an impressive first year season. He currently holds second place on the team with 22 goals and 42 points. Pymm has definitely stepped up to the challenge and provide a strong foundation for the Friars to build upon in the seasons to come.

Providence currently stands 4-9 (overall), 4-3 (MAAC) but fans must be reminded that the season isn't over yet.

As Coach William Pymm noted earlier this season, it was indeed a rebuilding year. It is also a young team, and although they are losing strong seniors such as co-captain Justin Glasgow and Mike McNulty, underclassmen such as Matt Pymm are ready to step up to the challenge.

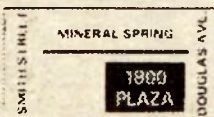
So the Friars can still redeem themselves in their last two games of the season. May 4th they are away at Hartford but return to play MAAC rival SouthHampton on May 5th.

We must remember that rebuilding years are difficult ones, and winning teams take a few years to develop. The Providence College Lacrosse team has spend this year learning, and will undoubtedly spend next season improving all the more.



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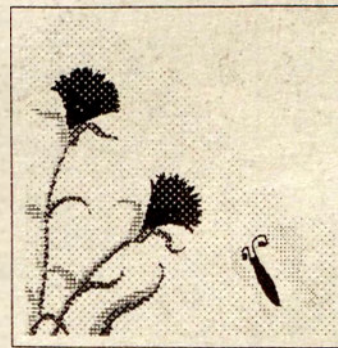
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Mud and Track Continued Stones

by Colleen Pappas '99
Asst. News Editor

After a rocky season and yesterday's 17-4 loss to Stony Brook College at muddy Glay Field, it would have been easy to bury the season in the mud as well.

Fortunately for the Friars they have the opportunity to complete a solid foundation for their growing program in their remaining two games.

In their second to last MAAC game the Friars were apparently no match for Stony Brook, who came on strong and maintained a lead throughout the game.

Usual top scorers Matt Pymm '99 and Jason Hanrahan '98 chalked up only three goals combined. And Matt Gibney '97 offered one more.

Goalie Rob Chambers '99 fought off the onslaught as well with a season high 29 saves.

Yesterday's game follows an

extremely close loss 9-7, to MAAC rival Siena college this past Sunday.

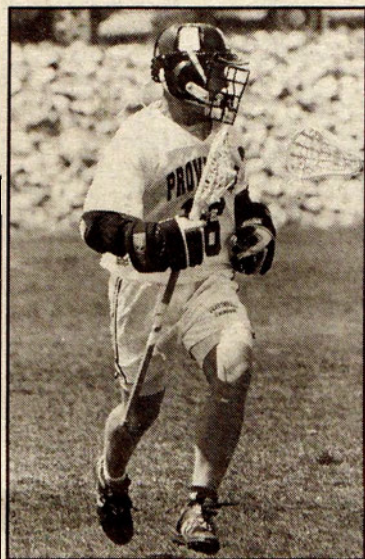
The Friars opened the first quarter matching Siena one for one, but fell behind in the second quarter, reaching the half trailing 4-2.

In the third quarter, however, Providence made a solid attempt to recover, netting four goals in that quarter to Siena's one.

The tie was lost in the fourth quarter, though, as Siena jumped ahead with a hat trick, while PC could offer only a goal.

Friars Mike McNulty '96 and Hanrahan contributed to the close game, scoring two goals each.

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admirable time of 14:37, just two seconds away from the fourth-place finisher.

The Penn Relays are priceless, if not for its prestige than for its practicality. The Penn Relays iarean opportunity to see where you stand against the nation's best, midway through the season. A scouting report and a list of times can only help so much. In the end, a runner only knows how good they are when they step out on the track, and the Penn Relays is that time.

"They hear all the names from around the country, they know how fast they've run," explained Treacy. "They need to race against these people to realize themselves that they can actually beat them. A lot of the girls that ran against Moira had much faster times than her coming into the race, but she went out and beat them.

"You need to be in a competitive situation to realize that you can beat these people with the fast times. They could have had perfect conditions when they ran those times, but I know that when Moira and Maria get those conditions, they're going to run fast, very fast. It's good for them to go out and race against these girls because that's what they're going to have to do at NCAAs, they're going to have to race them. And I think (Penn) will give (Maria and Moira) a lot of confidence heading into NCAAs."

Notes.....

Back pain forced super freshman Gladys Ganiel to drop out of the 5000-meter at Penn. The Maine native, who ran a sparkling 16:55 in the event at the beginning of the year, is day-to-day.

McMahon was named Providence College's Rhode Island Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Athlete of the Year. The Ennistymon, Ireland native was also honored as PC's top Female Athlete of the Year for Individual Sports. The Male Athlete of the same category went to harrier Mark Carroll '95, who placed second at last fall's NCAA Cross Country Championships.

Both the men's and women's cross country squads look strong for the 1996 campaign. The men will suffer to big losses in Olympian Carroll and steady senior Andy Wedlake. Wedlake bounced between the two and three spots, and served as co-captain last fall with Carroll.

On the bright side, a strong crop of juniors, including Healy, Nick Kent, Myers, and Donnelly will return as seasoned seniors, and an excellent recruiting class from a year ago has a year under its belt, including talented Ben Noad, Zach Ventress, and Mauro.

"We lose our front runners in Andy and Mark, but depth-wise we're probably going to be stronger," explained Treacy. "We just need somebody to step up and be the front-runner. And we'll be looking to Dave to do that."

The Lady Friars will be losing

Harrington and fellow captain Meghan McCarthy, roughly their number six runner last fall. Junior Heather Couture will be added to the mix after missing last season with a stress fracture.

Treacy has one top recruit coming in, but her record is stellar. New York's Dana Ostrander won her state title then took top honors at the Foot Locker Regionals. Illness forced her to drop out of the Foot Locker National meet, but she did place eighth in the Nationals her junior year.

"Her pedigree is pretty solid, she can step right in," said Treacy. "We have Heather coming back, that kind of solidifies us, really. We're losing two, Meghan and Moira, so with Heather coming back after missing a season of cross country last year. That's the two replaced, not that you can replace Moira and Meghan, but that's the way you got to look at it. And Gladys (Ganiel) has come on a ton since cross country season.

"I think we probably will be stronger, but there are going to be other teams that are going to be stronger. Stanford has loaded up again with probably the best recruiting class for the third year in a row, and they're going to do something with those people eventually. Georgetown and Villanova have recruited well. It's not only going to be difficult at the NCAA level, it's going to be difficult in the Big East. But I feel if the girls do the work that they did over the summer last year we don't have to worry about anybody."

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The Roller Coaster Rises

by Mike Friess '97
Sports Writer

The roller coaster continued this past week for the Providence College baseball club, as the Friars completed a 4-3 week. Fortunately, the ride left off on an upswing, a solid, come-from-behind 4-2 victory over visiting Fairfield yesterday at Hendricken Field. The hope is that the upswing continues long enough to place the locals into the Big East Tournament.

"Today was a big win because this weekend is a big weekend," explained second baseman Scott Palmieri '97. "We go into St. John's this weekend trying to get into the Big East Tournament, and if we win two we should be in. So we have to play well this week, and try to carry that into the weekend so we can get into the tournament."

Down 2-1 in the bottom of the seventh, PC capitalized on some Stag lapses. Third Baseman Paul Costello '99 reached an infield error, and moved to second on a perfect sacrifice bunt by teammate Palmieri. Senior shortstop John McDonald followed with a scorching line drive off the glove of diving third baseman Chris Rhode, placing Friars on first and third.

After pitching solidly for six frames, Stag pitcher Jim Manias self-destructed. Manias drilled the

next batter, Providence right fielder Bryan Tamul '97, to load the bases. After a pop-up, Manias walked the next two batters, forcing home Costello and McDonald to give the Friars a 3-2 advantage.

"Basically the difference today was that we played good baseball,"

admitted Head Coach Paul Kostacopoulos, whose team raised its overall record to 27-15-1. "It was the first time in a couple weeks that we played really good defense. We cut down two runners at the plate, we cut the ball off in the gap, we turned double plays, and that's why we won today. We didn't hit the ball, (Manias) threw pretty well, but we played good baseball today. That's fundamental to winning. We played solid baseball, they gave us a couple of runs, and we capitalized."

Providence added another in the eighth behind a McDonald sacrifice fly. The run was more than enough padding for Friar reliever Mike Galligan, who came on in the eighth and shut the door for the final two frames.

In the past week, the Friars have

gone 3-3, which sounds okay, but could have been more likable. One of the games was a stat-padder against a weak Hartford team that committed five errors. The other two wins were splits in double-headers against Big East Conference foes Seton Hall and Rutgers.

This time, the hitting was the main problem. With the exception of McDonald, Providence had gone dead cold. Not counting the Hartford game, in which they pounded out 24 runs on 21 hits, the Friars have averaged only nine hits a game, including five against Seton Hall and North-western. McDonald has stayed hot, going four for eight with RBI's in a double-header against Rutgers. He leads the Friars, hitting .394, .379 in the Big East.

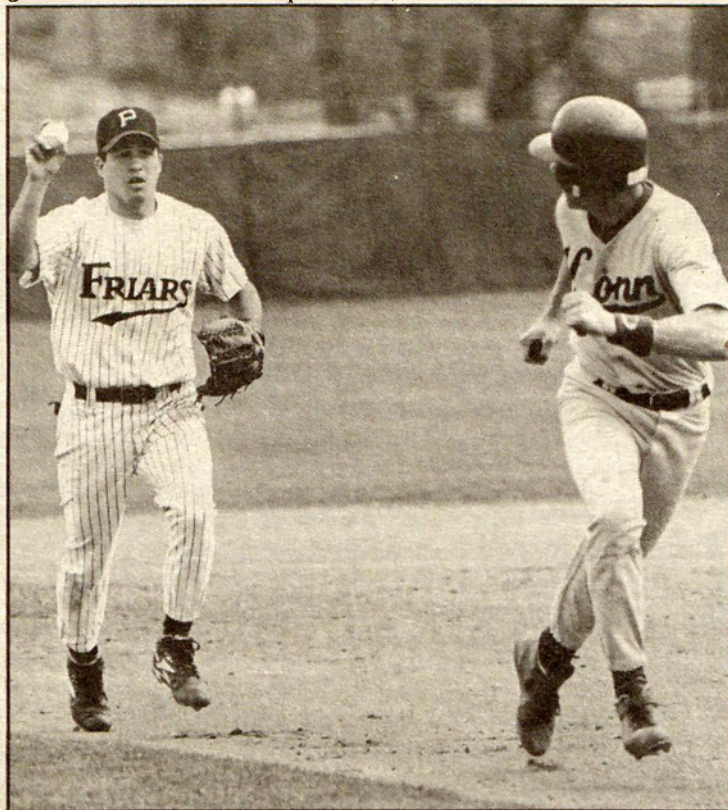
The week started tremendously, with the

Friars crushing host Hartford 24-4, behind 21 hits and five Hartford errors. Josh Cox got his first victory of the season as Friar pitching allowed only eight hits. From Connecticut, the Friars traveled down I-95 for four games in New Jersey.

On Saturday, the Friars played a double-header against Seton Hall. Todd Incantalupo '99 started the first game and had an un-Todd like game for the second time in a row, giving up five earned runs on seven hits and one walk while striking out two in seven innings of work. While these numbers would be great any other game or with any other pitcher, they were not on this day as the Friars could only manage four runs on five hits off Pirate pitcher Joe Gangemi and lost 5-4, giving Incantalupo only his second loss in ten decisions. The only Friar who had anything close to a good day was junior left fielder Pete Tucci, who had one hit, a two-run homer, in three at-bats. Palmieri also had a pair of singles in three at-bats.

The second game was a ten inning thriller, with the Friars scoring four runs in the top of the tenth to earn a crucial Big East victory. The Pirates got on PC pitcher Andy Byron early, pounding out five

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John McDonald '96 continues to produce for the Friars

Sweep

by Paula Uscilla '99
Sports Writer

The Lady Friars softball team has had to travel a rough road in the always competitive Big East Conference. They have faced numerous rivals, only to walk away defeated and disappointed, earning themselves a frustrating 4-11-0 record in conference play.

This past weekend was to be different however, as the PC softball team refused to lose. Together, they were focused and determined to win over Big East opponent St. John's. Win they did, as the Friars were victorious in each of their four games.

In the first game of Saturday's double-header, Providence rallied to a 2-0 victory. The Friars played a tight game with St. John's all the way, but fortunately, PC was able

to capitalize on only three hits. Senior pitching ace Amy Kvilhaug pitched a complete game as she chalked up the shut-out, holding St. John's to a mere three hits.

The second contest saw the Lady Friars defeat St. John's once again. This time Senior Candi Erickson took the mound, helping her team to a 3-1 victory. Offense starred in this game, as the Black and White stroked six hits. St. John's had an admirable day from the plate as well, grabbing four hits of their own; yet defense just wasn't there for them and they committed three errors.

Providence coasted to a 9-1 victory in their third face-off with St. John's. The slugging Lady Friars batted in 10 hits total in this convincing victory. Once again, Amy Kvilhaug lead her team to victory, going the distance from the mound.

The fourth and final game versus St. John's proved to be challenging. Defense was just not there for Providence in this last game, as they committed an embarrassing 11 errors. Fortunately, the Friars' hot bats came alive again, ripping an amazing 9 hits. Kvilhaug was called in to bring the Friars to a close 4-3 margin over St. John's, and PC softball completed their 4-0 sweep of this Big East rival.

This weekend series against St. John's earned the Lady Friars softball team a commendable 21-18-1 overall record, but more importantly, improved their Big East record to 9-11-0. Providence heads to Boston on Saturday to compete in the Big East Tournament.



Amy Kvilhaug '96

To Hell... And Back

by John Carchedi '98
Asst. Sports Editor

The finish line may be heaven, but the starting line is worse than hell. Imagine a few dozen, hungry athletes, crunched together behind a tiny white stripe, concerned only with getting a better start than all the others.

The gun sounds and the elbows fly, because if you get a cruddy position at the start of a Penn Relay event, you need wings or an earthquake to win.

Fortunately for Providence College harriers Maria McCambridge '98 and Moira Harrington '95, they were a little tougher than the rest, capitalizing on good starts by placing first and third, respectively, in the 3000-meters at last week's Penn Relays. The performances earned both NCAA qualification.

"(Maria) looked very, very good, the best she's looked since the NCAAAs in Cross Country," said Head Coach Ray Treacy about McCambridge, who clocked in at 9:24. "Moira finished third in the same race and beat some really good people, people who would be considered real contenders at the NCAAAs."

The keys to McCambridge's win were her coach's strategy and her guts. Due to poor weather and the massive congestion at the start, the race started slowly. McCambridge and Treacy saw opportunity.

"It was a very windy night, not conducive to running," noted Treacy. "As a consequence, there were 50 girls on the line and every one wants to take the lead, so it was

pretty slow for the first mile. It was only about 5:08 at the mile, usually you'll be looking at sub five minutes.

"The plan was for Maria to go with two laps to go, but (the pace) went so slow that I told her to take it coming up to the mile mark and she took it," added Treacy. "She stretched out the rest of the field. She really picked up the pace and eventually just wore them down. With about 60 meters to go she was clear. She had opened up a gap about 15 to 20

The other story on the girls side was the 4x1500-meter team's sixth place showing. The squad, consisting of McCambridge, Harrington, junior Susan Murnane and super freshman Sarah Dupree, finished in 18:05.

"(We were) beaten by teams we expected to be strong," admitted the coach. "But we looked pretty good, with two girls, Maria and Moira, running the night before, Sarah, her first time ever running the Penn Relays ran well, and Susan ran a very strong fourth leg for us. Overall, I was very happy considering we didn't have Marie (McMahon '97). It was a good overall performance by the other people we'll be looking at for Cross Country next year."

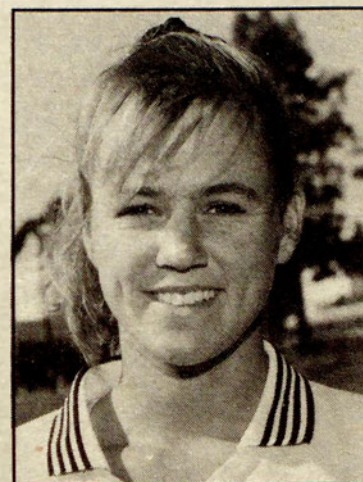
McMahon, a standout junior who won the NCAA 5000-meter crown indoors, is dedicated the spring to train for the Olympic 5000.

The men's 4x1500 of David Healy '97, Steve Myers '97, Carl Mauro '99 and Paul McNamara '98 also ran well, turning in a ninth-place time of 15:29.

The whole team is underclassmen so they'll be back next year," said Treacy. "They had a good, solid run and not that far out of it. There were a lot of really good teams close together. What we were lacking was the one big leg that we have had in the past with Mark Carroll '95 or Andy Keith '95. We just didn't have that leg and hopefully by next year somebody comes forward."

Junior Mike Donnelly captured tenth in the college 5000 with an

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Moira Harrington '95

meters and she extended that to the finish. She came back in the last mile about 4:53. It was a great run for her, and I think she's going to go faster."

Meanwhile, graduate Harrington battled the rest of the pack, and with a tremendous final kick earned third (9:31). Treacy added that on a good night, sans wind and congestion, both Friars could run under 9:20.