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 community building one in our own neighborhood: a home on Oakland Avenue.

Twenty-eight volunteers worked at this site, performing a variety of tasks; from rebuilding the house 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.

Birdie McMeel '96 has been volunteering with Christmas in April for the past eleven years. Her father started Kansas City's Christ¬mas in October, and he was Chair¬man 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 Tho¬mas. On Saturday morning, they visited the house on Oakland.

Johnson and Thomas joined the homeowners 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 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 Weena '96 and Suri St. Laurent '97 were two of the vol¬unteers from PC. Weena, who vol¬unteered 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 neighbor¬hood," 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 to¬gether."

For the past two years, Bill Mechan '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 ex¬tremely impressed with the volunteers. Although some sup¬plies were not at the house first thing in the morning, the volun¬teers 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 to me and saying, 'Birdie, 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 ask¬ing me, 'When are we 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 neigh¬bors.

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

An open forum was held in '64 Hall to be conducted by mem¬bers of Cini-Little, the food ser¬vices consultation firm hired by the College to aid in the planning pro¬cess. Approximately sixty stu¬dents 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 class, etc.) she or he 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 caf¬eteria.

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. It is desired that students be able to use the three meals per day allowance.

Another issue that arose Monday concerned the flow 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 ques¬tion of their job security must be taken into consideration.

A third major concern regard¬ing changes in food service is the architecture of Raymond Cafe¬teria 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. Admit¬tedly, changes must be made, but it is important to consider the op¬tions available so that any altera¬tions made are done the correct way and do not have to be changed

Relaxing Retreat Weekend

by Colleen E. Pappas '99
Asst. News Editor

Looking for a relaxing week¬end getaway? Fifteen Providence College students found exactly that this past weekend as they em¬barked on an Encounter With Christ retreat at the St. Benedict Abbey in Vermont's 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 en¬joying 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 dif¬ferent things that we do in our lives to encounter Christ, and some¬times the obstacles to encounter¬ing 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 stu¬dents who had been on previous retreats and wanted to participate in the experience again.

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

Other retreat leaders included Victor Bergeron '96, Jen Piehlter '97, Joy Emerson '97, Steve Brown '98, and Alison Garofalo '98.

"Being a group leader is defini¬tely 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 in¬teract with each other."

"It's a great way to get away for the weekend and come back re¬freshed and relaxed," added continued on page 4

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**Indecent Exposure**
by Eric R. King '98

News Writer

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

According to Security Chief Philip Reilly, the suspect has been seen on campus two occasions, but has not 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 genitalia...we're not sure whether or not he was conscious of it."

If anyone recognizes, 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 Slavin Center after 8pm. Security has been putting 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 these mailboxes and general damage done to them as well. Because of these breaches of security, it is now necessary to use the protective gates.

**Balfour Center Update**
by Colleen E. Pappas '99
Asst. News Editor

On April 20, 1996 the Second Annual Balfour 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, Edit, Bauer, Olympia, Contempo Casuals, and Guess, with gowns provided by Filamenta's Bridal Shoppe of East Providence. PC Alpha Epsilon Delta members, Erica Anglon, Tanya Breslin, and Tanidra McFadden, all '96, organized the event. Susan Pires '97, on behalf of Tau Phi Alpha and Simmons, "Kennedy '97 served as Masters of Ceremonies."

The 4th Annual Providence College Hispanic Expo will take place this Saturday, May 4th, in the Promotions of Chemistry 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 Center in Central Falls. Executives of the Executive Board of the club will take place prior to the evening. Executives Board will also be introduced at the Expo. The master of Ceremonies will be Alison Wheeler '97. All students are welcome to attend.

**Environmental strikess in Massachusetts**

Massachusetts Governor William F. Weld is making strides in cutting down on government red tape concerning environmental permits. With Weld's proposed action, companies will in theory save themselves as well as the state time and money by merely sending a letter stating that they want to close their remaining on eastern Connecticut a treaty deadline.

Weld’s moves sparked by soaring grain and gasoline prices may be overturned, economists say. "Right now, it’s a good idea that we save the stick, and note that such items aren’t as significant to inflation as in the past," Weld said. With Weld’s new proposals, there were more responsibilities to the individual companies as opposed to the Department of Environmental Protection.

**Meal Plan Rumors Abound**
by Yemen Arsenault '99
News Writer

Recently, one of the most frequenly 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 some students. It is a nice transition from the everyday, 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 well even between the weekends.

Parents can view it as an assurance that their son or daughter is at least going one good meal a day. If this is the case 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.
Military Awards Ceremony Held Sunday

by Tommy 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, CCRI, and the University of Massachusetts 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, OP followed by remarks from Professor of Military Science LTC Andre E. Thibault '76. The guest speaker was Mr. J. Peter Benzie, Jr '70. A benediction was given by Rev. Thomas McGoogie, OP.

The first award was the Department of the Army Superior Cadet Award. Three PC students as well as three Bryant College students received this award. The first award winner 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 Starks '99 and Neil Bennett '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," exclaimed McCarron, who was also a recipient of the Distinguished Military Student 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 Kerin James '99, Jeffrey Smith '99, and Robert Martin. Kevin Podmore '98 received the Employers Supporting the National Guard and Reserves Award and Christopher Fernandez '97 was the recipient of the Retired Officer Association Award.

Eric Bachelder '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 Basaldia '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 I, 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 Curtis '99, Kevin Kinaldi '98, Christopher Fernandez '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 R.

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

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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. McKennan, 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 unclear as to what changes will be made or when they will be accomplished.

THE STUDENT MIND DURING A FINAL EXAM.

The proof never covered this!

Actual knowledge on subject.

The TA's Kinda cute.

I knew I should have read the book.

Panic zone.

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Eeny, meeny, miny, me...

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Hi Freshmen,

Well, it is hard to believe, but we have already completed one year of college. Soon we will be taking what the majority of us consider to be the last exam of the semester and finals and then embarking on journeys for home. We have witnessed a lot this year.

Many of you attended the Student Congress-sponsored Midnight Madness, which resulted in a redemption of the words “pep rally” and “clown car.” We hadn’t been able to forget the Step and the Zelda God Street Wine and Letters to Class event, which was held 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 in the PC ’94 varieties of your classmates, your support for our class and the college. Be proud to be a PC student for the Class of 1999.

Before we knew it, winter arrived and exams were only a week away. We were over the trauma of exams, we went home to share our experiences with friends and family.

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Emerson

Retreatant Daniella Boudreaux ’99 commented on her seminar, remarking, “I ’d 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 Boudreaux. “You get to know who they are, not just the superficial sense or the material sense, because everyone is kind of a different person at school, 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.

Committee Responds to Walsh Controversy

Mike Deter ’96 recently issued a statement regarding the Student Congress election controversy. The statement was published in the Providence Journal. The statement is as follows:

The Office of the Committee on Legislative Affairs Regarding the Hearing on Charges of Election Misconduct Against Michael Walsh, candidate for Student Congress President. The committee conducted a hearing regarding the allegations of election misconduct against Mr. Walsh. The candidate for Student Congress President, brought forth by Meghan Wrona, Chairperson of the Elections Committee. A fair hearing was conducted with members of the Office of Legislative Affairs acting as General Counsel. Our job was to maintain impartiality, see that Mr. Walsh’s rights were respected, determine whether to uphold or dismiss the claims the five complainants and to give proper punishment.

Committee members were under intense pressure due to the fact that many knew they were involved. Both sides were allowed to introduce witnesses. 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.

-Misconduct of supporters whose actions were against the Constitution. The candidate is responsible for.

-The Constitution of the Congress does not give that power to us. All decisions that our committee could give out in this case were a warning of disqualification from the election. As committee, we thought that a warning would be far too lenient in the face of these serious charges. We also found that disqualification is not to severe a punishment because it involves the election, a punishment which require the most extreme violations.

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A Curriculum for the Twenty-First Century

by Adair Rommel ’98

News Writer

For the past sixteen months, the Curriculum Restructuring and Strategic Change (CRSC) has been meeting in order to “design the best possible curriculum for the twenty-first century in a Catholic Dominican school,” according to Dr. Hugh Lena, Ph.D., Co-Chair of the CRSC.

The CRSC has been focusing on a comprehensive evaluation of the core curriculum and also on 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 reviewing and receiving minutes from the committee’s meetings. As the Academic Affairs Committee of Student Congress has made several proposals to the CRSC.

Michael Liard, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, said “I feel that we have been really involved in the process.”

The CRSC is meant to come to fruition by January, or the start of the new school year, and Lena commented that, although student graduation is a concern, the goal of the process is that the new curriculum will affect the entire college.

“Every student who comes in the door will have a new curriculum,” Lena assured.

Though the number of students was smaller than expected, the retreat was successful.

“If we had a bigger group, we would need to make a bigger deal of work ahead, but the nine of us are energetic, enthusiastic, and eager to see what happened to our group,” a member said. “I hope to be able to incorporate our experiences into the class, of 1999. Will we, that we bid you farewell: We wish the best for you on your life’s journey and a safe, fun summer. We look forward to seeing you in September.”

Mike Liard, President, Class of 1999

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

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"Hours extended for graduation week. Lunch and dinner specials Monday through Sunday. Live music starting at 9:30."

"The Wende family"
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 supported by these groups include Habitat for Humanity, PAX Christi, PC for Life, lectors, altar servers, and ecumenical ministries.

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,” Barranger stated.

A Mass at Aquinas Chapel was followed by a dinner in Mural Lounge. Fr. Barranger requested that everyone stand and hold hands while saying grace before the banquet began, thanking the volunteers who requested to be on the half of the college.

With that, festivities were underway, a buffet dinner being served to the approximately seventy-five people who attended. Midway through the dinner, Father Joseph Barranger addressed the audience, restating, 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 Beganski, Habitat for Hum-

anity; Ellen Burke, sponsor of English as a Second Language); Martha Page and Laura Earls, Special Projects; Fr. Ken Creer and Kristen O’Neil, VIPS; Mike Stewar, St. Mary’s Home for Chil-

dren; Pamela Marchant, PSO President; Catherine Roque, PSO Secretary, Lisette; President of Campus Ministry; David Mastrol, Sacristans and Servers; Beth Danteco and Theresa Hennessy, Publicity; Jen Bayley, Receptionist; and Victor Bergeron and Joseph Pobolicsz, 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 Betner ’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 support that people have joined together to unite the campus under the glory of God.”

Katie, Pat, Crispy, & Christian:

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

Sugg: Reilly, Raynor, Lauren, Mag, Zy, Neagle, Randy, Contreras, Mullihe.

Amanda: Reilly, Raynor, Lauren

Rhode Island MADD

Announces Award Winners

Seven Rhode Island high school seniors have been named winners of $10,000 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, who is funding the annual scholarship. Mrs. Naylor, 28, was killed in her town in 1992, when a speeded drunk driver crossed into her lane. He was allowed to return to his native Jamaican 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 award winners includes a set of twins for the first time in MADD’s Memorial Scholarship history. The winners of their high school classes: Maureen Lape— Cranston East High School, Lisa Rapone—La Salle Academy; Sherie Lapone—La Salle Academy; Michelle Oliveira—Portsmouth High School; Nina Tetrault—Ponaganset High School; Keit Catone—South Kingstown High School; Samuel C. Rindell—Westerly High School.

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

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

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

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


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.


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 attend school faithfully 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.

As Chairperson of the Committee on Legislative Affairs, I would like to acknowledge the fact that there were problems during this long and tumultuous process due to the fact that this is the first time this process has ever occurred in our organization. There were also many heated conflicts and differences of opinion. But one fact stands out: 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 utmost. We carefully weighed the cases of both sides and took several hours to come to a deci-

sion to uphold two charges and dis-

miss the other charge due to a lack of evidence. We then levied a pun-

ishment that we believed to be fair and

moderate. Mike Walsh’s rights were respected throughout this process. Any suggestions that this is somehow an in-

suit to the integrity of my Committee and Congress as a whole, I would invite anyone who believes anything to the contrary to see personally.

The Constitution states that Mr. Walsh could not demand an appeal un-

less he was disqualified from the elec-

tion. Realizing this, the Committee on Legislative Affairs used its option to of-

fer him an appeal in front of the entire Congress. Mr. Walsh refused and instead filed an appeal with the Congress Moni-

tor, Father Joseph Barranger, O.P. 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, overturned our decision and stated that Mr. Walsh be reinstated immediately. The Committee does not agree with Father McPhill’s de-

cision, but accepts it as final.

Rhode Island MADD

Announces Award Winners

by Bobbi Erinich ’98

News Writer

Last Friday, the Sociology De-

partment at Providence College, under the leadership of Professor James Alan Fox, Dean of Criminal Justice at North-

eastern University, hosted a panel of about 35 students and faculty as-

sembled in Moore Hall, Fox gave a speech entitled “The Young and the Ruthless: Growing Juvenile Crime.” As a result of his in-

depth 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 fu-

ture 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 some-

thing 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 sky-

rocketing 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 serial killer-

ism is with handguns,” explained Fox, “most because of their ease, availability and their increasing power.” Fox is a strong advocate of gun control, since murder with a hand-

gun has increased four times in the last decade.

Fox also explained more teens use guns. He noted that this was done this way. He dubbed this the “dis-

tancing effect” because it is too painful to own a choke or stab with one’s hands.

Fox discussed situations that lead to murder, possibilities that canhttp://www.courant.com/news/ri/ri-dr-deatharticle449516636.html, the media for their role in glamor-

izing violence, as well.

Fox pointed out that the “prime time for juvenile crime is after school”. He also 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 at early as possible when the kids are still in pre-school.

With out of every 100,000 people murdered, 67 percent of which are committed with a hand-

gun, 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 recently released two books, has appeared regularly on radio and television shows such as “Larry King Live,” “The Oprah Winfrey Show”, and “Good Morning America.” He has also served on the President’s Crime and Violence Prevention Task Force. Fox is a reading to underserved youth. He is a reading to underserved youth. He is a reading to underserved youth. He is a reading to underserved youth.
COMMENTARY

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Short End of the Stick

by Amy Rodgers '97

Editorial Editor

In the past three years that I have been in college, I have noticed an increase in the number of my thoughts, my ideas, and my beliefs. I cannot really pinpoint the exact source of my metamorphosis because I have been going through this for three years. However, I do know that somewhere and somehow, my beliefs have shifted. It is as if I have been pulled to sometimes unfair, mean, and discriminative world. I have also learned that rather than accepting the people and organizations I come in contact with as immovable, I must learn to see what certain things in this world mean and how they pertain to my life. Our beliefs and ideals in our everyday lives, even in the way we talk with and organize groups and programs, can change from 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 said idle by, shirking complaints, or thinking a lot about unnecessary and “bitchy.” Not today.

These past three years, I along with my roommates and friends have been involved in the Women’s Ice Hockey League sponsored by theIAB.

After winning our championship title 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 say that besides the fun that we have, I love being able to play in a game that I never been able to play as a child, or at least it was something that was not common. For the next three 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 running on those ice rinks and watched hockey. This is not something I blame my parents for, because I was an only child and there was no one to teach me.

However, the gender norms and impurities were present in the way they told me men could do what they thought of what they said or meant.

Until now.

When I heard about IAB this past season was nothing but blatant sexism. It was a group of four individuals, women, who had no experience in the sport of hockey.

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 beaten to get to the championship. The list of the four girls, we had to play before the game, and the other team right after. Needless to say, not many girls wanted to be on the list and neither team was declared champion. That was April second. Now I sit here thinking that IAB has been for two days, the day the ice at Schiefer was to be melted. My own team was willing to give this league to the girls before the game, and the other team right afterward. Needless to say, not many girls wanted to be on the list and neither team was declared champion. That was April second. Now I sit here thinking that IAB has been for two days, the day the ice at Schiefer was to be melted.

You may think that these are simplistic, pretentious complaints that have happened to me and in the case of a perfect lack of professionalism and organization of IAB. And to a large extent I could be right. However, I think that this does not fully convey my experience of many

A Democratic Threat

by Jamie Lantinen ’97

Editor Assistant

China conducts “nuclear exploitation” for military purposes, according to a Chinese government spokesman. In other words, China today has the nuclear powers that still conducts nuclear tests. For the last few months, the Chinese government has been claiming for the past decade, Portugal has taken a dead stance against its own people in the province of Chechyna. Now, President Yeltsin of Russia and President Jiang Zemin of China have agreed to a “strategic partnership” with a confident communications hotline linking the two powers of peace.

The message sent by this Asian superpower agreement should not be taken lightly in the nations. Only days after President Clinton’s jet flew around the People’s Republic of China, President Yeltsin in the first step towards dragging the United States into a greater role in the world. China and Ireland find themselves dependent on each other. America as well as international loans and grants. In addition to economic implications, the Chinese regime, especially finds itself being bullied by the United States. It is aware that it we are to expect from two condensed, outdated players, but a jointing of mind against the threat of the West?

This means the two countries are to put their foot down after a decade of falling communist regimes and infant democracies. Whether or not China will continue to participate 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, included the signing of a nuclear agreement that marked the 250th anniversary of diplomatic substance, both Moscow and Beijing have ulterior motives in signing the agreement. China’s aim is toward a difficult election campaign in the coming months. Presidents Jiang and President Yeltsin, fear that what happened to the Soviet Union will soon happen in its 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. China is the most powerful nations in the world. Russia, China and Ireland find themselves dependent on each other. America as well as international loans and grants. In addition to economic implications, the Chinese regime, especially finds itself being bullied by the United States. It is aware that it.

We have a few suggestions for IAB that may help them figure out how to organize a few games for next year, and also add a little gender equity into their “system.” First, a planned bracket. Before Arena was the source of many problems for ice this past season. We need to be more comprehensive to the people because I cannot understand who else would choose it as their option. The second, the fact that the women’s teams are expected to always play their matches all at once, might have boggled me too. But we can accept that. We could add 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 initiative and hold off on those meetings at my end, 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 conditions to all students, especially all athletes, who play sport. PC has a long way to go in insuring concerning gender equity, and it is all up to us to make it happen dressed. Everyday, I sit in my classes staring at white middle aged men in front of us discussing topics that are inherently male-oriented. And I wonder if, what if, women can be a part of the world were to be introduced to a “different” view; “a different system,” or a “different” idea from the ones we have systematically accepted. The Renaissance is reflected in the literature and the arts. In high school I took British and American Literature and studied Western Civ in high school. But never did I find interesting or enjoyable. I am always told to think outside the box. I believe this to be that 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, 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 it would be beneficial to rewrite the civs every three days a week and have a two hour exam, much like the Honors Civ Program. It could avoid the monotony of a day and week class and we will also be able to spend more time on each topic 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 read the Civ that interests us and do research while formulating ideas. Instead of just reading for a test or an objective exam, we would be forced to think about what we have learned.

Granted, some Civ teams are better than others, and what team you are on is not important. It is the kind of experience you will have in the program. I was lucky with the people on my team, and my experience has been pleasant. I realize that not everyone has been so fortunate, and I would love to hear your experiences. Maybe that will be one of some day, and won’t we be glad we took Civ.
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**Democracy Not Death Squads**

By Mike Sullivan '97

Editors' View

Very few people in the United States realize how much they benefited from the election of Archbishop Romero, who was brutally murdered while saying Mass in a hospital in 1980. That's because Americans have at least heard of Archbishop Oscar Romero and his progressive, leftist opposition to the repressive regime of El Salvador. However, many view his death, although tragic, as another criminal act 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 number of the military who were implicated in his murder were trained by the US government with US tax dollars and the Jubilee School of the Americas in Fort Benning, Georgia. Supporters of the military academy refer to it as the "inncipic of democracy," and believe that it will help them do what they want to "support democracy." However, in reality, it is a school that prepares 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 '98, Jesus Romero, who was killed along with his housekeeper and her daughter by soldiers who were graduates of the Good Shepherd School of the Americas. Other graduates are implicated in the rape and murder of three Ethiopian can and a dozen of their fellow countrymen. Ten of the twelve officers believed to be guilty in carrying out the orders of the orders of the re- enedless people in 1981 at El Mozarte were graduates of the School for the Americas.

There are just a few of the many cases where American-trained and -armed soldiers have killed innocent people simply because they publicly opposed certain policies of their respective governments that they believed to be unjust.

This is certainly not the type of policy that the average American would find acceptable. The United States should not be supporting. How can the United States call itself the "de- fender of democracy" but at the same time be so supportive of an evil and repressive government? The United States claim the United States claim to be the leader of the free world while it pumps huge amounts of money into training soldiers to stifle democracy in one of its closest neighbors? How can the United States criticize other nations, such as Iraq, for human rights violations while the US itself gives aid to human rights violators? The United States needs to be less than not only be less than hypocritical.

There is a lot of talk going on these days about cutting the federal budget and eliminating unnecessary expenditures. Would eliminating fund- ing to the School of the Americas in Fort Benning, Georgia be the American people could afford? Mike 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 this type of institution would not only be a step in the right direction for the Americas but it will at least be a step towards reversing the democratic dericatonic reforms will be able to take place with less fear of being victimized by those in power, and the in- imies and the Republican party.

These professionals 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 lack of interest of other profes- sors. Because there are some professors who work as diligently as these gentlemen, but their names do not appear in the registration booklets. This is proof that it is not impossible to prepare for exams, but one has to follow the exam schedules. These professors work as diligently as they work, but because their names do not appear in the book, they are not acknowledged. These professors work as diligently as they work, but because their names do not appear in the book, they are not acknowledged. These professors work as diligently as they work, but because their names do not appear in the book, they are not acknowledged. These professors work as diligently as they work, but because their names do not appear in the book, they are not acknowledged. These professors work as diligently as they work, but because their names do not appear in the book, they are not acknowledged. These professors work as diligently as they work, but because their names do not appear in the book, they are not acknowledged.
The Idiots' Guide to Music

by Ennica Anderson '99

Music: the words of a god, a lover's song, a paean to death. Music is life. It is how we live. It is what we live. It is what we think we're living in you that I'm thinking they've really listed. God knew of the music and that's why I'm writing this article. This is the musical idio-

tude of the well-tempered clavichord are still popular today. C.F. E.Bach's "Solfeggio" is also a famous example of this style. Developments. Characterized by dominant and repeating themes and variations. The Baroque period was closely associated with Church music.

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The Baroque Period (from the end of the 17th century to the 18th century) This period of music was dominated by the Bach family. J.S. Bach's fugues, inventions and pre-

Ragtime: Characterized by a strong syncopation in the melody with an accentuated accompaniment. Ragtime. It is often played as a solo on piano or organ. The composer is Scott Joplin. Ragtime grew in popularity in the late 19th and early 20th century. It became a staple of bars and music halls all over America. This movement was closely associated with the black community.

Jazz: Jazz is an American music type characterized by improvisation, syncopated rhythms, and contrapuntal ensemble playing. It emerged in the 1920s and 1930s. Jazz is associated with the black community.

Blues: Blues is a type of music originating in the southern United States. It is often characterized by a three-line verse and a repeated refrain. Blues music is associated with the black community.

Rock and Roll: Rock and Roll is a type of music that emerged in the mid-20th century. It is characterized by a strong rhythm section, including a guitar, bass, and drums. Rock and Roll is associated with the youth culture.

Hip Hop: Hip Hop is a type of music that emerged in the late 20th century. It is characterized by a strong rhythm section, including a drum machine and a rap vocal. Hip Hop is associated with the youth culture.

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 of music that I can identify with." Well, that's bull and I'm about to prove it.

To make things go a little quicker, I'm going to fast forward to the end of the 19th century. The end of the 19th century. Man had been playing music for several hundred years. A system of octaves for recording notes had been invented. By the late Renaissance, the harpsichord allowed a huge variety of overdubbing and re-recording. A system of octaves for recording notes had been invented. By the late Renaissance, the harpsichord allowed a huge variety of overdubbing and re-recording. Moulds were created that didn't necessarily have to come out of his mouth. From these tools came a lute, from this late came lyrical and epic poetry, and before you know it, we've travelled more than halfway through music's history.

If this trend makes you as ill as it makes me, perhaps you will follow my advice to avoid this:

Don't succumb to the mass marketing blitz that might temporarily have you saying, "Wataworld sounds like a good idea!" or "Showgirls? Very keen dialogue."

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See It Again (For the First Time)

by Eric Cutler '96

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Eat, Drink, and Be Merry

by Pete "Shaggy" Keenan '99
A&E Writer

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 overpowering force which compels you to seek transportation to 56 Exchange Terrace, in the city of Providence. At the obscure address is the Union Station Brewery. Entrenched 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 distinctively 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.

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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and save yourself some much-needed cash.

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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 local microbrewed ales, in addition to just beer. Prices range on the high end at $15 for the New York flank steak to $10 for the run-of-the-mill 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 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-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 palate-tingling ales, which are reputed to be the best home-brewed beers in the city.

For any beer connoisseur, whether it be the occasional weekend sampler to the most oor-y addicted alcoholic 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 absence is the beer itself, whose sale is prohibited by law.

This Tuesday, as you contemplate your full exam week, and your empty, frosted glasses, 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).
by Michael P. Sahlene '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 wouldn't). 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 'onacle'”, 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 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. 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 Letter and Leverage 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 started 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 believable. It worked very well, and I’ll give you three guesses as to who helped make it happen. You’re right. Beth Ford handled the role and she played it at her best.

On the academic side she has one of them "easy" double majors. I know she is majoring in Drama dealing with "acting, writing, saying, and singing. "Whatever, theater majors have it easy.” Wrong. In case you are not in the future in another department at this school (you know, I really wasn’t until I threw my hat in for a part in Macbeth. I think I’ve been sacked in), the 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 was also 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 German (hey, it’s not a dead language in my room) must have some love for foreign languages. She decided to apply this skill during this summer, when she travels to Atlanta. Beth is looking forward to spending all the time being a concierge at various locations in the Olympic Village.

Beyond that just what is store for our prodigy? Despite a recent car accident that put her for a small period of commission for a small time, she is going to the Big Apple to try her hand at acting. Her first role was, "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 the 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 Benett 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 PC, and your outstanding work on "The Owl", we congratulate you on your splendid achievement. How bitter-sweet it must be to be looking back at all you have accomplished, each task attended with your own special passion and conviction.

From your award as "Honing Hope" 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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WELCOME TO THE RAT RACE.

IT SUCKS,

BUT WE EAT WELL.

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### Done with Civ!

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

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### 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.

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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

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### 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
Heather Bouffard
Allison Burns
Rebecca Carr
Jeffrey 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
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Paul Torrisi
Lisa Vedovelli
Allison Weekley
Kathryn Wilson
Todd Brabazon
Lisa Burak
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Jennifer Chapin
Renee Cormier
Karen Covello
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Melissa Eng
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Jessica Gomez
Elizabeth Gullace
Kathleen Hartke
Casey Horton
Jennifer Howley
Christopher Ivany
Elizabeth Leonard
Kristen Martineau
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

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!

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.
**Un fortunately, Geoffrey took the expression “kill two birds with one stone” a little too literally.**

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**Top 5 Things I Learned in CIV**

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

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**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."

"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 Lesko '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!"
ode to providence, thanks for the glorious years, you have all brought me so much cheer, I will miss you all very much, so don't forget to keep in touch.

thanksgiving for 4 wonderful years here. I will never forget them. I will miss you all. keep in touch. love. catherine r.

Sarah, thanks for the memories. too bad jm had to a part of them. he's no bb or mm. love. me

baker - yellow shirt kid will be at commencement! be care-full. love. lenore

to stephanie, steve, beth, rod capello, mike tenati, len, jen, jenny laroli, bridget, brian, and the rest of the theater seniors, you guys are all the greatest and will be sadly missed. eric cutler

gariepy - this one's for you.

abbie arban, and todd spenser, I just wanted to wish the both of you good luck in future endeavors. thank you for everything. laura nardomarino

dear katie y., pat m., christy l., and christian c., thank you for a great time during urban action. I had a great time, from amy anderson

to double-dutchin', beer-swillin', cheeba-breathin', window-smashin', plate-breakin', willy-showin' friend o' mine! good luck guys and gals. love you. Stacy

seanna - what kind of doritos is it this week? which movie should we rent? have you seen the CAT? look out for penis!!! can you come out and play after graduation? love. tree and kris

from orientation to graduation, 4 years was like a day. to all I was fortunate enough to meet, thank you. good luck 1996; stache

thank you for a direction and a wonderful way of life. just listen to the airwaves and we'll keep in touch. lisa a. dotsia

Noelie, only three more to go. love ya roomies - someday I will cook you cereals. elli - glwb, miss ya.

sure, I'll give up my seat at the over booked formal...not!!! D.K.

dear JG, th, jh, db, jk, sb, es, mg, jk, thanks for an exciting sea-son, we'll miss you guys next year! we never forget you. you guys are awesome. congrats, love ya. carol, Kathleen, jenn

Goodbye mail brown 501 - leo

Leo, my boyfriend - thanks for all the string and for rubbing my belly - love. ophelia

112 Eaton and 121 Badcliffe - may the memories we made last a lifetime. good luck, we'll love you and miss you. Christine, jess, sarah, and Michelle

hey ese - I wish you nothing but "blue skies." thanks for the friendship and the INSULTS!! BRD

leduuuuuu - who's athlete of the week? happy belated birth-

day! you know, the lost weekend is so lost, I can't even remember it love. (you fake-sing) there was a EDUUUUUUUU

' dont give up! don't ever give up! James valvano. Good luck class of '96. Let's clean up this mess. Chris roche

remember the neediest.

thanks for the memories! girls who live in 406 Davis and others who have hand out so much we thought you live there. there will be more memories to come. love, erin

class of '96 quote of the year - will somebody hire me?

catherine - it's been great going to school with you. you're a great sister, even though whenever you saw me around campus, you pretended you didn't know me - that's cool. Just be sure to keep your congratulations and good luck on exams. love, sarah

Hawkeye - wishing you inner peace. love, europe and happiness good bless always, BRD

Ray, things won't be the same without you. thanks for always making us laugh. easy, wow. mule! during the National football league! les woof! good luck! love, celeste, amy, elileen, Jaime, liz, julie, Mike, todd, lisa, Jeanine, and mark

kt - I'll be in touch with your agent. may your dreams come true. love - BRD

to the legislative affairs committee of the 46th student congress... too bad about the procedure blunder! next time looking for real issues on which to pro-
ceed. Amused, t.f.m.

Timmy, what some crunchberries? Joel, have you seen clueless? Jimmy v, who broke the window? Danny wood, we are your biggest fans! kodi, good rid-
dance!

Stephen - I'm really glad I've gotten to know you in the past couple of weeks. you are a beautiful woman who de-

serves to be treated like a Queen - you know who.

Terranova Lives!

tg to my #1 boyfriend. rob G., lots of love and luck in showing the world how truly special you are. love, Amy

Renet - the bike has taken on a personality all its own. got some humpus? rockin' you will take ad·leman by storm! go milkman! wooooooohoooooo! love, your roomies!

To all the seniors on the s.b. team. let's do it for ourselves this weekend. thanks for all your hard work and dedication. #14

Luke, kiss me - squeeze my nippies you know who

Gil - adios and ole!

Edooroomie thanks for four years of fun. we have such memories. the quad, dorks, Blankie, Edward T, Jamaica me crazy and so much more. I will miss you tons next year. I know you will. go far. I am proud of you. roomie.

To the three amigos Brian, Juan, and "robert" - you've given me two great years of painting the ceiling. we will miss all the calls and fun times. don't forget us love. "nicks", and Danielle.

Petie, I'm your ball and chain and your the best of luck at school. you're my wife and my pom·padour. you mine Italian stallion, my personal sly, Irode - you're too whipped to ever say good-bye. they might call us Nicole and O.J., but we can always snuggle at Watermelon or Grey. love, Jen

Laura C., I wish you all the best at school. next fall you're an awesome friend and a great study part-

ter. don't forget all the late nights we spent together and all of our speeches about the hole we've been living in for the past four years. you're one of a kind. don't forget to al-
ways believe in yourself - meag

Andrea, kiernan, theresa, lisa, and Beth - thank you for everything, you guys are the best. I'm so lucky to have experi-
enced it all. I'll miss all of you. love, jody.

cm - you rule! BRD

Heyt, my roommate, my best friend, the #1 listener in the world! thanks for being you. I'll never forget all the memo-
ries we've shared...2:30 a.m. is KR there? #8 is smil-
ing at you! We're your lime-rickey? Don't worry, we'll make sure you're there before we're out of here. DBB - I think we have problems, thanks for everything. I'm gonna miss all of the talks and advise. keep on dreamin' and smilin' - m
We Will Never Forget You!!!

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

112, SONYBASIL FIGHTS, LIVING WITH LOVE-BIRDS, TRIPS TO GRAVITY, DADDY, STEPHEN, 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 SCREWS, WE FROLLED, SNUGGLED, CARED AND LIKED, 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 SEEN NEXT YEAR, TO OUR SWEETPEA MI, OUR DAYS WITHOUT YOU HERE AT PC WILL BE EMPTY. HOPEFULLY OUR INCREDIBLE RELATIONSHIP WILL CONTINUE...PEANUT AND M. DANCER

KATHERINE T - WHAT IS THAT STRANGE SMELL IN YOUR CAR ANYWAY? MONALACAPISIA?? WANNA PLAY FONT TRIVIA? CAN YOU SHARE SOME OF YOUR LOVIN WITH US NEXT YEAR? LOVE - EDO AND KRISSTYNA

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

CRAYZY JOE! WE'LL NEVER FORGET THOSE FROTTY DRINKS IN FENNELL. 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 SENIORS 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 SCONES, 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 COOPE'S! GOOD LUCK, WE'RE PROUD OF YOU!!! YOU SG'S FOREVER!

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

CRU - THANK YOU SO 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 Y'ALL! 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 - TEO

JANIEAN, KATE, CATRIN 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 AGE TO GO DOWN IN FLAMES. YOUR SUCCESSOR-SABLEONE (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

THANKS FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP, GUIDENCE 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!!!
Familiar Faces

by Sarah Antonello '98

Features Writer

Their smiles are a familiar sight, their squeaking eyes a comfort. We learn to recognize the way they walk and the way they hold 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 between classes. People we find 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 "Bat Kid," "Late-Fool-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 get their names put in the credit. 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. Some of them are, quite literally, our teachers. We get used to seeing them, and give them little nicknames. Though we may have never exchanged anything more than hellos.

Dr. Slavin once told us to back and realize that they too, are individuals. Each person has their own memories, their own food preferences, and their own little pet peeves that annoy them. They do, like us, aim to get through their day as best as they can. They see the familiar faces in the crowd too, and say hello. They see certain roles in their lives. They know the "Pro-Yo-Girl," and the "Talks-To-Herself-Guy." They notice the familiarity of these faces. They may have different characters in the way in which they are used to seeing each day, but they all have the same purpose of playing roles and adding details to their lives.

"If we were to stand over there 1, too, am a face in the crowd. Do people see me walking by and recognize me, even though we’ve never even met? Do they call me "the short girl," or "Elmo-girl," because of my height? Who am I to them? Am I a part of their lives like they are a part of mine? How do they see them around when they see themselves? When I see the girl who stood ahead of me in line at RadioShack the other day, do I see the girl with the yellow raincoat who stood behind her the next time I walked 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. This same people that I have placed in roles in my life have been living their own lives and assigning other 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, even though I won’t see my roommates or my friends, and also faces that I’ve gotten used to seeing that I can’t go missing to see their smiles, their little quirks, their ways of walking, their feet. I’m going to miss the familiarity of the roles that I, along with my classmates, have put them in. I wonder if they know who they are, these faces in the crowd. I wonder if, too, any of you wonder if there’s one that I’ve never met is going to miss me, going to miss seeing me walking by the dining hall with a gum ball in my hand. I wonder if those people that have a role in my life have any idea to notice them, or if they notice me back. So, as I write my first article for the The Cowl as a only senior, I’d like to take this chance to say: "Hello, my name is Kyle "Yo-Yo-Girl," until next September when you once again become a part of 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 some point in time where did it all go and? all to no avail we are an unaccounted for 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 worry existing in the Enduring threats of every individual, i overlooked the majestic veils, concealed up by forces unknown, beyond the confines or protection of the window. upon occasion, i saw through the eyes, the ignorant eyes and began to understand the days, rather than allowing life to be a whirlwind and soon with the driver. i started to see the uniqueness of spirit in the people around us, in the organization, their strength and their hearts.

my father once introduced me to a man who attended his life to a sun dial. every day mañana mocked the ones past. he would mark the time, and begin counting the hours until the day meted into blackness and he lost his sight until the sun tranced, he watched as life disappeared into the shadow representing time. i asked him what it was i, as i had forgotten my watch (i do that a lot, and my whole days become helter skelter) was i wasסט preventing the shadow and inescapably moshed a few numbers. i asked him if he remembered all of the days of his life. the question broke his conti- nuation and he turned his gaze slowly towards me, his eyes and almost feels his swollen soul. he said, "i can’t, because i gave my life to save the world" he died and laid to rest at the foot of the sun dial.

we have since broken from above into pieces, which numbered opportunity to appreciate life; it lived rather than let it pass. i asked him why, when we are faced with the summer for recession and some to experience life after we have been faced with it in our memories and the knowledge we have acquired, both scholastic (hopefully, anyway) and experimen- tal, give yourself the chance to realize the world, to realize those around you and to realize yourself, take control of this destiny, is waiting for your dictation.

The Cowl 18

College... People who go to college are incredible.

The Cowl goes to classes.

The Cowl read and absorb and are comparatively tested on heavy amounts of material.

The Cowl sleep very little.

The Cowl drink, ourselves into oblivion. We kill ourselves with a variety of type. We become smokers.

The Cowl are the only smoking.

Someone is always sick.

Someone is always complaining.

Someone is always missing the key to the church.

We bother each other.

We think often of the past, and we want to go back.

We are通告.

We all have separate lives.

families, backgrounds, and past.

We live totally different from how we used to live.

We are frustrated and sometimes we are angry, 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 can’t find them.

We try to sort out our minds, which are filled with studies, work, and other emotions.

We wander the halls looking for a way out.

We hurt… a lot.

We keep going, though, because we are not willing to give up on our lives, and to lose hope.

We are trying to find the feeling of happiness, the feeling we so desire.

All I can think is that God has something to hold onto, like dreams and each other.

Unknown

Clean Belly Buttons and Cows?

by Ali Fallon '98

Features Writer

Do you know what percentage of United States citizens clean their refrigerator walls? Have you ever considered how many times you have cleaned your refrigerator walls? Are you curious to know if there is a larger number of students or people in the state of Montana that do this than in your hometown? You may never have wondered about such a thing, and quite frankly probably do not care, no one dey that they have participated in activities such as the "Frozen Fridge Truck" or "PBS, A&E, and other similar television networks. A five hour documentary on the history 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 de serve recognition for being simultaneously with useless and insightful knowledge. They are our teachers! How many times have you or a classmate questioned a teacher about a topic you were learning with the remark, "But when are we going to need this in real life?" No teacher has a lot of patience for a question like that, it is not a good answer. Why I learned that nineteen liters of water are used in the average household for the taking of a shower in a typical week. Actually maybe it will help me be all I can be someday. Some- times we just need to know.

Speaking of things that there is really no need to know, while driv ing back to school after Easter break, I asked my friend how many exists there are in the state of Con necticut. He mused laughter, 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 by asking for a line for a beer? Yes, that's right, while waiting for a line for a beer at the New Boston Bar and Pub, I questioned a few people. The television flashes pieces of information about the newly re-awakening extra of the nation. An eager eager user of useless knowledge, was thrilled to endow me with the fact that all the rams were built at an average 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 mountains because their ears. Now that you are aware of this, you will undoubtedly be able to sleep better tonight.

Which brings me up my next point, why is it that when we acquire use less, trivial, we feel compelled to share it? How many times have you felt the urge to say something not even one time? How do you feel when your name is called and you are no longer there? Do you do not have a friend that has been part of the Cowl staff, so you can...
A Touch of Fiction

Fade to Black

by Lori McCreven '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 work. I had ten 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. Krispy watched and said that she opened her mouth and passed 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 picking up the phone so, but she found the way and had it sent 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 hadn’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 never drinks.

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 even try to do this again..." she murmured aloud. I’m not really sure if she was telling me, but I was listening. I wanted her to tell me 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 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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May 2, 1996

My First Annual Awards List

by Patrick Camole '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 "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 consideration.

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): Temple Pilot, 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 Innocence. 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’ "Champignon 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: underwear. Coolest guy going to Columbia next year: Phirum P. (good luck, Phirum).

Best extra value meal: #4 Best video to rent this weekend: 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 Scarcest 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: Barb Wire).

Number of days until I turn 22: 11

Number of people still reading this cruddy list article: just you. Most annoying e-mail/Internet topics:
- 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
Don’t walk in front of me. 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 Eclipse 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 ma-jestic 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 will 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 adven-tures. I think that Providence has so many opportunities for eager minds. There are sooks and criminals 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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EAT WISE, PARTY WISE
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 slar 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 airbrush the shuttle to look like the Mystery Machine. It would be a Scooby Doo weekend. Maybe we could swap 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, 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 moment 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 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 to 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 (continued on page 22)

Some Book BuyBack Tips

By 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.

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- All books must be complete and have bindings intact. Foreign language books and all study guides must be in “Brand New” condition.
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 in order to be a true renaissance man, I've decided to put into the vast abyss that is Features. Do not worry noble reader—I'm prepared.

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

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 Matt, who stayed home. You see, we were there. For five hours. And we're happy about it.

"Bear," I'm getting ahead of myself. I'm going to tell you the story.

Not so long ago, in a galaxy where people are nice to each other, there was a town called Iowa. Iowa. 7:00 am. We showed up, first time in weeks I think grabbed a donut, gulped down some juice, and headed out the door.

FNF FACT #1: Cabbies in Iowa guess on how far they've gone. No meters leads to discrepancies between the two cabbies that operate out of that town. There are only two. Anyway, Mr. Cab driver dropped us off at the middle of the road. We were empty. We were ready. This is not just a trip. This is a road trip. And faced with the director race director was amazed at how early we were. John and I each had a seat—we had important people.

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 stampe-de? I haven't, but I saw something that was as close to a stampe-de as humanity possible. Around 10:00 the starting gun went off. With 70,000 male collegiate runners in America charging down the opening hill. It was a sight.

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 decreased to the minus 10s. If you haven't been to Iowa, I would suggest going when it is warmer than it is there. It's not that thing stops the wind. This is a very bad thing. Windy. No one likes windy.

Oh, yeah, the women won the championships. The Bear is a bear. That's that.

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 la-mine-ess excuse.) Here's your officers. All right, top of the list. Me. I met E.T.

After we got back we settled in to watch the finest in Iowanowean entertainment: Grain. I mean, Iowanowean entertainment. 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 on that had a budget of 27 cents. Its title. Be Da. The Bear. It was amazing. I now shall use my extensive knowledge of the entertainment world to critique the Bear.

Be Da Bear is the theme TV show that is only shown in Iowa. The concept is as follows: There are two sports broadcasters who sit on Lay-Z-Boy's. In the two is a seven foot bear. On the bird is a chum from a Lay-Z-Boy (I pray that he has a been). For our show there was an Italian comedian that forgot that by definition he was supposed to be funny. Anyway, they make predictions on certain sporting contests that involve Iowa College—be it college or professional. The two sports carders and the guest make predictions that are accurate. The Bear. He is a bear. The Bear. The Bear.

Did I mention that I have a waitstaff job in the fall? The Bear. He is a bear. The Bear. The Bear.

I went to Iowa and it was okay. The stars are everywhere. The Bear. He is a bear. The Bear. The Bear.

All the bears read the file. The Bear. He is a bear. The Bear. The Bear.

Looking back upon it, I really should just say yes, but that wouldn't have made a good story.

Ger, 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 Indiana in 6.3 seconds. I really, really liked the hat. It was a nice puke green/dunk blue/grey/white which was only ruined by the snow on the front. People went when I came back without a hat. I had bad hair. Yes, I had to cut it off. All of it. Don't recognize me. Don't recognize me. I'm the male sportscaster, and I'll tell you that I have my hair cut. OK, I'm slowly getting off course here.

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 restarant that one of our Cab drivers suggested. It was worth the scar-
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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 Pirates 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 four with five RBIs. In the first game, he was joined by Scott Friedholm who went two for three with a homer and four RBIs. Jim O'Brien started the game and went the distance, with seven 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 fared a little better, giving up only two runs in his four innings of work. Providence batters did fair, with McDonald being joined by Angelo Ciminillo, Corey Bice, 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 Hendrickson 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 shoot 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 Kaminiski relieved Kendzierski after he gave up a two run homer in the sixth, and pitched two solid shutdown 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."
Ketelaar Dodgers 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 5'11", 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 90's 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 any where (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.

Secrets say that Bryant's game is ahead of most college guards who have been playing for years, but where is his mentality? 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 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 is 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 getting bit 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 Jamal 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 underclassmen. 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 chashing 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.
**Friars Hold Their Own**

by Gladys Daniel ‘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 Wannamoissett. The Friars held their own, placing seventh out of 16 squads at the New Englands and losing to team competitor Eastern New England Champion University of Rhode Island at Wannamoissett. Freshman Rick Dichard and senior Jeff Magee both excelled, as Dichard tied for fifth overall at the New Englands and Magee won the Wannamoissett meet with a low score of 72.

Coach Joe Prisco’s Friars took the Wannamoissett course on April 23 in a weather-delayed showdown with Brown and URI. According to senior captain T.J. McDonald, “Wannamoissett is the toughest course we play. It’s a par 69, but it seems a lot easier than a par 72 course.” Magee turned in a surprising 72, as PC tallied 397 to URI’s 392 and Brown’s 414. Teammates Chris Buteau (79) and Joe Brennan (79) added support, while McDonald (82) and Brian Lavoie (86) rounded out the scoring. Pete Karlukas added a 95, and Dichard shot a 98.

“Rick didn’t play well (at Wannamoissett),” 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 Butch 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 was Long Island Sound, and it’s the toughest we play, except Wannamoissett,” McDonald said. “But I think the team played very well the whole season. 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 years. It also didn’t help that Rod Dichard had to leave school for two weeks as a result of a knee injury.”

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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 Karlukas. 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.

The Friars are confident they have things well in control for the upcoming season. It seems that the Friars have already bonded from their losing streak. It was a surprising victory, for Marist came on strong in the first two quarters, leaving PC trailing 3-1, at the half. But the Friars stepped up their performance impressively in the third quarter, scoring three goals to the Red Fox’s one.

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Freshman attack Matt Pymn has been an extraneous asset in the uneven season. Ranked consistently in the MAAC league in terms of scoring, goals, points, and assists, Pymn has had an impressive first year season. He currently holds second place on the team with 22 goals and 42 points. Pymn has definitely stepped up to the challenge and provided 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 Pymn 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 Pymn 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 South Hampton on May 3th.

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

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Matt Pymn, Chris McManus, and Thomas Bongorno each chipped in a goal. Players credited with assists were McNulty with two, and McManus and Christian Bonelli ‘99, 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.

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**SPORTS**

**The Roller Coaster Rises**

by Mike Fries '97
Palm City, Florida

The roller coaster continued this past week for the Providence College softball 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 Hendrickson Field. The hope is that the upward trend 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 Palmiter '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 Paul Manias. Senior shortstop Mike McDonald followed with a scrunch line drive off the glove of diving third baseman Chris Rhodes, 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 Brandy 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," said Coach Paul Kostacopoulos, whose team raised its overall record to 27-15-1, four time in a couple weeks that we played well, 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 those three hits."

"It was the first time in a couple weeks we played well. We played good baseball today. That's what's fundamental to winning. We played solid ball today, and we capitalized."

John McDonald '96 continues to produce for the Friars and has led the team to a strong finish in the Big East.

**Sweep To Hell And Back**

by Paula Ursella '99
Sports Writer

The Lady Friars softball team had to travel a rough road in the always competitive Big East Conference. They have facednumerous rivals, only to walk away on the losing end.

This past weekend was to be different. Last time, 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 2-1 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 pinch-hitter Amy Kilvington pitched a couple hits as she chucked up the shut-out, holding the Stags to two hits.

The second contest saw the Lady Friars defeat St. John's once again. This time Senior Catcher Erickson took the mound, helping her team to a 3-1 victory. Offense was scarce, as the Black and White scored six hits. St. John's had an admirable day from the plate as well, but their Big East 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 game face-off with St. John's. The raging Lady Friars batted in 10 hits total in this convincing victory. Once again, Amy Kilvington led the team to victory, going distance the second.

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 astounding 14 errors. Fortunately, the Friars were able to salvage a win by scoring 9 runs and beating the Stags, 9-2 in the game. The Friars batted to a close 4-3 jam, giving St. John's and PC just enough to capture the 4-0 victory of this Big East tilt.

This weekend contest against St. John's marked the Lady Friars softball team's commendable 21-18-1 record, but more importantly, improved record to 9-10-0 in the Big East. Providence also went 3-0 in Big East games Saturday to compete in the Big East Tournament.

The keys to McCarron's wins were her coach's strategy and confidence. Due to poor weather and the massive congestion at the start, the race started slowly McCarron and Tracy saw opportunity.

"It was a very windy day, not conducive to running," noted Tracy. "As a consequence, there were 50 girls on the line and every one wanted to take the lead, so it was a very close race."

Provided 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 likeable. 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-header against Big East Conference foes Seton Hall and Rutgers. Admittedly, this time, hitting was the main problem. With the exception of McDonald, Providence had gone cold dead.

Not counting the Hartford game, in which Friars pounded out 24 runs on 21 hits, the Friars have averaged only nine hits a game, including five against Seton Hall and Northwestern. McDonald has stayed hot, going four for eight with RBIs 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 Hartford 24-4, behind five hits and five Hartford errors. Josh Cox got his first victory of the season at Hartford pitching allowed only eight hits. From the mound, he is holding opponents to a .245 average, down 1-95 for four games in New Jersey.

On Saturday, the Friars played a double-header against Seton Hall. Todd Incantandulti '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 are nothing to be ashamed of or with any other pitcher, they were not on this day as the Friars could only manage four runs on five hits off pitcher Joe Gangemi and lost 5-4, giving Incantandulti only his second loss in ten decisions.

The only Friar who had anything close to a hit was first baseman Peter Tucci, who had one hit, a two-run homer, in three at-bats. The Friars also gave the Pirates a pair of singles in three at-bats.

The second game was an intriguing thriller. Friars scoring four runs in the top of the tenth to earn a crucial Big East victory.

The Friars got the win at Providence by scoring four runs in the bottom of the tenth. The Friars finished the game with 17 hits and went on to win, 17-11.

The other story on the girls side was the Friars 1x100-meter team's sixth place finish in the Big East. Janice McFadden, senior Sukie Mann, and junior Mandy Brown finished 18th.

"We were pleased by the team we expect to experience," added the coach. "But we looked pretty solid, which gives us a little bit of an advantage."

As for the upcoming game, Brown, running the bite second, and Sarah, her first time running over the Penn Relays was well, and McFadden 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 people and we'll be looking at the Cross Country next year."

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

The men's 4x1000 of David Healy '97, Steve Myers '97, Carl Cross '99 and Paul McNamara also ran well, turning in a nineteenth-place time of 15:29.

"The team is underclassmen so they'll be back next year," said Tracy. "They had a good, solid run and we couldn't do it. There were a lot of really good teams back here, but we were lacking was the one big leg that we have in the past with Marie. We just got offsite on the final leg, we are 9:55. We just didn't have that leg and hopefully by next year some somebody will fill that position."

Junior Mike Donnelly captured tenth in the college 5000 with an continued on page 26