Stickers and Tickets
Parking Woes at PC

by Colleen E. Pappas '99
Asst. News Editor

Overcrowded parking lots and the current inability of obtaining a parking sticker are once again sources of frustration for students this year. These issues have also been problematic for the Security Department, which is in charge of issuing parking stickers for the students, faculty, and staff of the college.

For commuters and students who keep cars on campus the main concern is not only acquiring a sticker each year, but also trying to obtain placement in a parking lot close to their residence.

"As assistant director of Security, I don't think there are only 1600 parking spots on campus and yesterday while waiting in (for everybody, students, faculty, and staff)," said Philip Reilly, "so there's obviously not enough room to meet everyone's needs."

The limited amount of parking areas on campus requires the Security Department to uphold a "first-come, first-serve policy, through which students are assigned to a specific lot depending on how hemisphere they return their application forms to the Security Department."

The cards are distributed in the second semester each year in student mailboxes.

Students who turn in their cards late will obviously lessen their chances of being placed in the lot of their choice.

We try to place the students closest to where they reside, but naturally, when they late getting their applications in, they will get the farthest spot on campus, which right now is Schneider Arena," stated Reilly.

"The students in the Schneider lot have many objections because of the damages to vehicles in the last few years," Reilly continued.

"To combat this problem," added Reilly, "the college has put improvement, saying, "there is an off campus parking lot in front of a parking lot which has it in resided this year, and City of Providence has removed the "no parking" signs from Cumberland Street in front of Alumni and increased parking on the street by about five spots"

Another problem that the Security Department encountered last year was the attempt by several students to place fake parking stickers on their vehicles in order to park in specific areas. This year new, colored stickers have been implemented to prevent students from falsifying parking stickers.

But the threat of having your towed was lessened slightly this year. The only vehicles that will be towed this year will be those that are parked illegally in handicapped spaces, or blocking or obstructing emergency routes.

In fact, the Security Department has removed the impound lot under campus, thereby creating more parking spaces. Now any vehicle that may be taken to the lot of the towing company.

Residents, faculty and staff receive up to five violations before their cars are towed.

Reilly urges those who are fined to pay as soon as possible for, as Reilly stated, "People are given several days to pay the fines and if they are not paid, the fines are sent to the Finance Office and if they remain outstanding, a student's grades may be withheld and they may be prevented from registering for next semester's classes."

Presently, there are no additional parking stickers available for students.

However, if a student needs to keep a car here on campus for a medical or work related reason and they have not been issued a sticker, they should report to the Security Office, as exceptions in such cases can be made.

Just one of the many fluorescent green tickets appearing on windshields all over campus

in two closed circuit T.V. cameras, which charge about $30,000 and are monitored here in this office 24 hours a day.

Another addition to the Schneider parking was the replacement of the fence at the North end of the lot, it was raised to right feet and the holes in the new fence are only one inch diameter.

"Yesterday was, in fact, the first time that we had anybody attempting to get into a car and we were able to get down there and the person took off when he saw us and ran off campus, so the system is working," stated Reilly.

Reilly also pointed out another problem that has also arisen in past years with students parking lots that in lots which have been not assigned.

Cars found in the wrong parking lots will be ticketed, as Security officers routinely check the parking areas.

"The policy that we have here is the 'stay put' policy," commented Reilly, "so if you are assigned, for example, to lower campus, you park there and walk anywhere else."

Reilly added, "in that case, you shouldn't just move your car up to Peterson to go workout and then drive back down again, you should only park where you have been assigned."

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The authorities offered me a compromise: I could have the milk, or a small soda, without any additional charge. But I said I could not accept, my journalistic sense told me that it was a potential campus issue. Also I am sure that they were not, at that moment, permanently changing the policy. However, I do commend them to their willingness to please me.

I asked Ernie Lavender, Manager of Alumni Center, where students should go with their complaints, and he suggested the Student Congress Food Committee, Suzy St. Laurent '97, Committee Chair, suggests attending the open meeting of the Food Committee on Thursday, October 3, at 8pm in Davis Lounge.
around campus

Class of 1999 News

by Michael J. Walsh '97
Student Congress President

This week in Congress we pri-

arily addressed upcoming class
and committee events. Just around
the corner is Midnight Madness!!
This event is being orchestrated by
the Athletic Department and Stu-
dent Congress. The Social Com-
mittee, chaired by Michael James '97
and Mary Murphy '97, is working
hard to introduce a new ap-

proach to student involvement with
the Madness. The annual lip sync
contest, which features a cash
prize, will have open try outs on
October 8th from 4:06 pm in 64
Hall. The event itself is Monday
October 14th, so plan on coming
back to PC early from Columbus
day weekend. This year's Mad-
ness co-chairs are Lenny Wilker, '98,
and the '96 Dream Team and the
winningest coach in NBA his-
tory as the guest emcee. Stay tuned
to the Congress to find out how
you can get involved with the Madness!

The Senior class is currently
planning 197 Nights for this
November. I would like to congratu-
late all the officers and reps from
the Class of '97 for their success-
ful venture to Newport for the Irish
Fest this past Saturday.

The Class of '98 and their JRC
Court Chair Brian Potter will soon
be hosting Junior Ring Week-
end. Bid sales are to be held Oc-
tober 1st and 2nd for $58 in Salvin 217.
The JRC will be held in Prov-
dence on November 15th-17th.
The Class of '99 will be hold-

ing their JRC Core informational
meeting Tuesday, October 2nd at
7pm in 64 Hall. Applications will
be available and interviews will
soon follow.

The soon-to-Class of 2000
officers for Congress and all RHA
officers should be preparing them-
selves for the October 10th elec-
tion. The nomination period is
October 1st-6th, and you can pick
up papers in the Congress office.
Pictures for The Cow will be taken
at 9pm October 4th in the Slavin Pit.
Keep tuned to Congress for
news on debates and the like from
Megan Boyle '98, Chair of the
 Elections Committee.

In new business, Kevin Hunter '99, Chair of Legislative Affairs
introduced a bill to Congress guar-
anteeing that Congress would
cover insurance for the Board of
Club Sports to the tune of $5,000.
This bill would end a previous agreement between Congress and the
Board of Club Sports which set
a ceiling cap of $6,000 a year for
allocations from Congress. If this
bill passes, the Club Sports will be
eligible to apply for additional
money, over and above their insur-
ance money, from the Finance
Committee. This bill is scheduled
for debate and vote at our next
meeting.

Also at next Monday's meeting, the final report from the Curricu-

lum Review Steering Committee will be announced and a

vote will be held on Student Congress. Refreshments will be
served and there will be time for a question and answer segment.
The meeting, as always, is
Monday at 6pm in Moore Hall.

Now that the Irish Fest is over,
I think it is only fair to thank my
all the members of the the
74th Student Congress for such a
dedicated and productive start to
the year. I'd especially like to ac-
knowledge my fellow Executive
Board members for their hard
work. They are Vice-President
Deborah Ryan, who is leaving,
next Azevedo, and Treasurer Cathy
Olender. Thank you all and I'll see
you on Monday.

Getting Tipsy Getting Easier
in England

England: A "licopop" does not have the same stu-

porous ring to it as "Gimme a pint!". But in
Britain's pubs, liquor stores and 
supermarkets, more and more cus-
tomers are asking for alcopops - the low-
blokoped jugs of fruit juice and 
hemlockade that in the past 
year have grabbed a 10% of the profits 
away from England's highest
hard-cider maker and taken the 
drinks industry by storm. Boosting names 
like Hooper's, Orchards, 
Jama~ Caribbean Crushe, Two
Gentlemen, Zanana, and Zanana
Sling, the thick, daiquiri-like 
drinks are at once being hailed as

a major marketing coup - and ham-
pered as targeting underage drink-
ers. Nevertheless, they're headed
to the United States, Bass, which 
has 70% of all alcopops world-
wide, and sells the stuff in Eu-

rope, Australia, Hong Kong and

Singapore, special~ties in Chicago. 
And although the drinks have low al-
cohol than many beers, British par-
tners are pleased that the eye-popping 
packaging is tempting their youngest 
shoppers to have an even greater 
with Midwest PTA's.

WDOM News Center 91 presents

"Much Ado About Something"

on Monday's Student Life show
Part I of II on alcoholism

Following the 6:00 pm News and 
Sports reports

NEWS

September 26, 1996

NEWS BRIEFS

Gearing Up For Commencement

1997
The Commencement, which is responsible for planning the
activities for Senior Week in May, held its first meeting last
week. The Boston Park Plaza Hotel will host the formal
on Thursday night but as in years past,
the event's location is left for the
rest of the year so that the class
can decide on its location. More
details will be released in weeks to
come.

reporting by Kristina Newman '96

Senator Christopher
Dodd Calls For
Education Funds

(Joanna Rudnick, NSNS)- Con-

gressman Chris Dodd, chair of the

Democratic National Com-

mittee and a hopeful successor
to "education" should be a higher
priority in a national conference
call with do-

res of college newspaper editors on September 12.

"America is going to be an effec-
tive and powerful nation in the

21st century. That is a very

big promise, but it is also a

big challenge, and it can only

be realized through a strong

education system," Dodd declared.

Dodd blamed the Republican-led
Senate for threatening to dismis-

se the financial backbone of
American education through a pro-

posed $30 billion cut in education
spending in 1996.

Meanwhile, Dodd praised Presi-

dent Bill Clinton for his support

of innovative financial aid pro-
grams like America Cares-Work-

Study, Pell Grants, Hope Scholar-

ships and direct

lending, while warning of their

unsustainable future.

Dodd supported the flexibility of
direct lending and proposed a

Debt Reduction Act. Both pro-

grams allow variable payment plans
without penalty, thereby al-

lowing students the freedom to

make better career choices in the

absence of instantaneous college
debts.

"These are pro-active, positive

approaches to a problem that

are trying to destroy," said Dodd.

"If it was not for the President's veto

pen. Republican cuts would be the

law of the land."

A 1996 college graduate ech-

od Dodd's concern about finan-

cial aid funding.

"I found out I was no longer

financially eligible for a Pell Grant

in my senior year in college," ex-

plained recent graduate James Mauleon. "I was able to

benefit from the first year of dis-

bursing, but I was still hurt by

the loss."

During the conference call, 
Dodd also discussed innovative
social issues for young people. 
He blamed Clinton's failures- namely his health care reform, gay
and rights

on overwhelming pressure from the Republican Congress.

At the same time, Dodd praised President Clinton's record for sup-

porting environmental protection

issues and women's choice.

Dodd also addressed rising sta-

tics in teen drug use by calling

for an "additional charge.

He also pointed to increased sat-

atty belt usage, or reductions in drunk
driving and smoking-instances

where social stigma didn't more
discourage drug use, or behavior

than legislation.

In the end, Dodd's message to stu-

dents was clear: today is more
difficult than ever to get a job with

a college degree.

Getting Tipsy Getting Easier
in England

TWA Flight 800 Update

TWA crash investigators said

the 747 that exploded in midair on

July 17 had been used in a fuel

exercise to train bomb-sniffing

dogs. But they said Saturday that 

while that may account for traces

of explosive chemicals on week-

day, it didn't send the investiga-

tion into any false directions.

Two students not forcibly
taken Harkins Hall by try-
ing open the door, but also entered
the cab of the crane which was

parked near Harkins Hall, caus-
ing slight damage. The stu-

dents, who are not yet twenty-

one, had been drinking.

The following penalties were
determined:

consumption of alcohol by an underage person (Hand-

book p. 38, par. 34)

fifty-five hours of restitution community service;

fourteen alcohol education classes.

News From The Middle East

Defense Secretary William Perry
said Iraq is backing off from the threat of launching an air

stroke against Israel, making a

week a ago, and one of the two

U.S. airplanes stationed in the

region may be able to return to its

home port next month. Mean-

while, the deployment of more

than 3,000 additional U.S. troops 
in Kuwait is expected to be com-
menced by September 23rd.

The Cow 2 

September 26, 1996
by Pete Keenan '99
Asst. Advertising Manager, A&E & Writer, and All-Around Good Egg

Providence College has always been an institution of tradition. For a long time, traditions have been the commitment to excel-
ence and service to the commu-
nity. The Providence College (PC) list of produc-
ting leaders is a successful Army
Reserve Officer's Training
Corps program, which was
begun in 1951 under the Very
Reverend Robert J. Slavin and
the original Professor of Military Sci-
ce, Colonel Roy Moss. Forty-

years later, PC's Patriot's Bat-
talon and the production fine
officers who served their coun-
try as heroes, and sometimes
died courageously. One such war hero was Lieutenant Colonel
André Thibeault, an alumini
who later returned to take the
position of Professor of Military
Science. Last year was LTC
Thibeault's last year with both
PC and the Army. Taking his place as the commander of the Army ROTC program and Professor of Military Science is Lieutenant Colonel Randol Gonzales.

LTC Gonzales most directly comes to us from Fort Lewis, Washington, and he will be served as the base's logistics officer. A 1974 graduate of the ROTC program at St. Norbert College in his home state of Wisconsin, this is the
Colonel's second assignment to a ROTC program. LTC Gonzola
previously taught physical education at Oregon State College, between 1985 and 1988. LTC Gonzola is a seasoned veter-

an of conflict in the Army, hav-
ing served as an Ordinance Officer in Desert Shield and Desert Storm, as well as 1993's Operation: Re-
store Hope in Somalia. The Colo-
nel also was involved in the
settlement of Cuban immigrants in 1995. Much of LTC Gonzola's twenty-one year career in the mili-
tary was spent in Germany, where he spent fourteen years. While in Germany, LTC Gonzola had the opportunity to work on a Masters degree from Boston University in a special overseas cooperative pro-
gram. Gonzola has had the privi-
lege and honor of serving in such esteemed units as the 1st Armor Division and the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment. LTC Gonzola stated that one of the reasons he joined the military because of the "leadership training" which could be applied in "any field," inside the Army or out, and also because of the extensive travel opportunities. LTC Gonzola is married with a son at University of Rhode Island, where he is en-
terfully in the ROTC program.

Also new in the Patriot's Bat-
talon is Major Brian Corchoran,
who will assume the post as the military's second in com-
mand. Major Corchoran has
returned to Providence to take
command from previous years, as he is in the middle of his military career. Major Corchoran, who has been stationed in various places throughout the country, is currently stationed in Providence and will serve as the Battalion Operations Officer.

LTC Gonzola and MAJ Corchoran have received a warm welcome here at PC. Jeff Smith '97, who is Cadet Lieutenant Colo-
nel, has graduated seven cadet ranks, which has been the basis of his career. His career has been successful, which symbolizes support for the veterans of domestic violence.

The class will be charging one dollar for the card, and will donate the money to the Rhode Island Rape Crisis Center. The purpose of the card, stated Prof.
McCarthy, will be to "provide the student with a card that...will help them in the future, and to have something to show that they care for their community and the men and women who are trying to help others." The purpose of the card is to help students who are interested in this problem. Pre-event ticket sales were in-
credible, and most of the student body attended the staff. As usual, the music was loud, the bathroom was full and the students thrilled the night away. For the most part, however, the event went off without a hitch. The students who attended the event were happy with the outcome. The event was a success, and the students who attended the event were happy with the outcome. The event was a success, and the students who attended the event were happy with the outcome.

The Providence College ROTC program has long been known as an institution of tradition. LTC Gonzola reveals that he "fought to get here because of his reputation for excel-
ence." "Providence College has the finest ROTC program in the nation," said MAJ Corchoran, and "most of the best in the na-

tion." The Patriot's Bat-
talon has been recognized as one of the top five ROTC programs in the nation since 1985, accord-
ing to the Military Science department's website (http://www.providence.edu/military/pc_honpg.htm). As of May, 1996, PC's ROTC program has received LTC Gonzola sums it up nicely by saying that PC's ROTC program is "in full swing, is well known, and continuing."
Return to Newport
by Adair Rommel '98
News Writer

On Saturday, September 20, eight hundreds of PC students made a sputnour to Newport, Rhode Island. For some students it was their first time visiting Newport, but for many seniors, it was a trip reminiscent of their freshman year experience. Originally, the trip was intended to be "for seniors only" but as the class sizes are getting larger, it was opened to the entire student body. The highlight of the Return to Newport: Class of '97 trip was an Irish Musical Festival.

Because there were no complications like the weather that marred the kickoff of the Class of 2000's trip to Newport earlier this year, students were able to use the facilities of the Newport Yacht Club. Outside of the Yacht Club, the Irish Music Festival consisted of three tents, each with a different purpose. In addition, there was a large uncovered food area. One tent was designed as a platform on which Irish step dancing could take place. Laura Ciancolo '97 said that it was "definitely the most interesting." Another senior commented that they thought it was "the best part of the event, since it was something you couldn't see everyday." A second tent featured various Irish musicians. These groups ranged from local soloists to bands from diverse regions. The bands that played throughout the day included: Sharon Shanron, Eileen Ivers, Wolf Tones, Tipperary, and Red Time. This was a key attraction to many PC students. Rachel Stevens '99 commented that it was "great to see the bands, and a lot of people had a great time.”

In addition to the tents featuring artistic aspects of Irish culture, there was also an area in which students were able to purchase various Irish items. Christopher Whitcher '99 commented that he liked the variety because he could "get almost anything wanted." Besides selling souvenirs, the Irish Music Festival also had a race to give away a free trip to Ireland. Unfortunately, no PC student was a winner.

The trip was partially sponsored by Murphy Stout. As a result, Murphy Stout and several others were available for PC students to taste-test throughout the course of the day. After they had seen all they could see, bought all they could buy, and played all they could play, the PC students left the Yacht Club and the Irish Festival around 10:00 pm that evening to return to Providence.

Irish Renaissance

Providence, Rhode Island (204) 732-9393 September 26, 1996
The John F. Kennedy Library in Boston is proud to announce the Public Forums for Fall 1996:
Saturday, October 27, 2:00-3:30 PM
A Commemoration of the 1916 Easter Rising

The Irish Center of the John F. Kennedy Library will present an educational program in honor of the 1916 Easter Rising, an event that is widely regarded as the beginning of the Irish struggle for independence from the British. The program will include a series of events to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Rising. The program will feature lectures by leading Irish scholars and experts on the history of the Rising. The program will also include a performance by the Irish band, the Blackthorn. The performance will include songs and music from the Rising era. The program will conclude with a screening of the film "The Rising," a documentary film that explores the events leading up to and following the Rising. The film will be shown at the end of the event.

The program will begin with an introduction by the Irish Center Director, Michael T. Sheehan. This will be followed by a lecture on the history of the Rising by Dr. John B. Lynch, a renowned historian of the Irish struggle for independence. Dr. Lynch will discuss the events leading up to the Rising, including the role of the IRA and the importance of the Rising in the struggle for Irish freedom. This will be followed by a performance by the Blackthorn, a band that has been widely praised for its authentic Irish music.

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Food For Thought

It is disappointing to see the businesses in Slavin mini-mall choosing to close earlier in the evening. As both Raymond and Alumni cafeterias are closed by 7 o’clock, the options for students to eat after dinner hours are minimal. For students on or off the meal plan, the mini-mall offers an alternative if one misses or needs a meal. Unfortunately, this alternative is being limited by the decreasing hours.

It is not simply a matter of convenience, Slavin’s mini-mall is our student union, an essential feature of Providence College. What college campus does not have a safe meeting place that provides students with basic necessities? We hope that the decrease in hours is not a preview of what is to come. To let Slavin’s mini-mall dwindle away before any possible changes are implemented next year by Sodexo, would be unfortunate.

Many students who study or participate in activities and meetings on upper campus rely on the mini-mall for a slice of pizza or a cup of coffee. The apparent trend toward reducing after dinner food options is also evident in Mural Lounge’s new policy of not allowing students to use their meal plan after 10 o’clock.

We urge the powers that be to consider the need to preserve the mini-mall and the numerous possibilities it presents to students.

The opinions expressed in this column are determined by the Editorial Board and the Editor-in-chief. They do not necessarily reflect those of the entire Cowl staff.

United States is Lying About True Motive in Iraqi Mission

To the Editor:

As one American, I disagree with Editorials Editor Jamie Lalor’s commentary in last week’s Cowl. He wrote, “Recent polls show Bob Dole to be the most honest candidate in the eyes of Americans…” For the past 20 years, I have thought that since Mr. Dole is a college graduate, WWII war hero (me, too), lawyer, Congressman, Senator, that he would have a better understanding of United States history. I firmly believe that Mr. Dole stretched the truth in his 1976 Vice Presidential debate with Senator Mondale (the War Providence College’s Commencement Speaker in 1978 and a pro-choice advocate on abortion) in the debate. Dole said, “Vietnam, World Wars I and II, and the war in Korea were all Democrat wars.” I figured the other day, if he killed all the killed and wounded in Soviet and US wars, it would be about 1.6 million Americans. (This includes Dole and Russell P. Doree.)

Mondale took his cue. “Does he really mean to suggest to the American people that there was a partisan difference over our involvement in the war to fight Nazi Germany?” Mondale asked. “I don’t think that any reasonable American would accept that. Does he really mean to suggest that it was partisanship that got us into the war in Korea?” (I fought again as a freshman in this war.)

As a result, conservative columnists George Will said that Dole needed a history lesson about the origins of wars. “People who lie about history deserve to be forgotten by it,” Will wrote of Dole. It should be noted more than anything else Bob Dole said in the fall of 1976, the phrase “Democrat wars” became lodged in the collective memory of millions of American voters, and it would endure to haunt him for years.

In conclusion, I have no qualms with Senator Dole capitalizing on his war record as stated in Mr. Lalor’s commentary. Bob Dole, myself and millions more American servicemen and servicewomen (four U.S. Army nurses received the Silver Star Medal for Gallantry in action at Anzio, Italy in 1944), as American patriots proudly endured clouds of friendly and enemy smoke in accomplishing our military missions. We, along with the people on the home front during World War II helped to give the American people, the security they enjoy today and their ability to progress into the future.

Russell P. Doree ’73
The Outrage of Partial-Birth Abortions

by Lori Andrade '98
Editorial Writer

There has been a lot of talk recently regarding the issue of the "partial-birth" abortion procedure. It is a technique used to end preg-

nancy at an early stage simply by administering a pill. The woman's birth canal is widened and the fetal head is extracted first until only the head remains in the uterus. A doctor is then needed to condition this out, and the death of the child can also be drawn through the birth canal. The most common reason of death in this procedure is the idea that it can be done in the latest stages of preg-

nancy. It has been argued by abortion- rights activists that the procedure is only performed in cases where the life of the expecting mother is at risk. However, skeptics of that idea and anti-abortion activists ar-

gue that this abortion procedure is exactly that — an abortion pro-

cedure used to perform a grotesque and horrifying act. There is a lack of statistics and information on the cases that have been subjected to partial-birth abortion, which has enraged pro-life proponents to a fur-

ther degree. Arguments made in favor of abortion is proving itself to be un-

reliable, disorganized, and plainly wrong.

Just speaking of the term "par-

tial-birth abortion", I ask myself whether or not the term is appropri-

ate. In the first abortion, a woman having an abortion, one may be needed to collapse the skull. Al-

though the fetus has already been killed, the doctors believe cer-

tainly do play a major part in the expelling of the baby. If these doctors do collapse the skull, they believe it will allow the women to seek another way. If they claim to be anti-abortion, but per-

mit this procedure, that is killing a child. It outraged me when this abre

tion procedure is used to hide the horrifying reality of an abortion.

Maybe I was being too naive. I thought that virtually every woman were against children. I believed that children were not physi-

cally responsible for killing the baby. That a woman has the right to end her own life, to seek out abortion.

Until recently, I thought that it was never done, that abortions could only occur in the first trimester. Usually. I was entirely wrong. After hearing the term "partial-birth abortion", I became outraged at how this execr

tion is used to hide the horrifying reality of an abortion.

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The Outrage of Partial-Birth Abortions

by Elizabeth L. Duryea '97
Editorial Writer

"I think this is all about poli-

tics," said Rep. Patricia "The Colorado Democrat who led the opposition. "You are playing politics with a woman's uterus." Boston Globe, Septem-

ber 20, 1996

The House of Representatives has voted to override President Clinton's veto on a bill which would outlaw the late-term abortion pro-

cedure. Many people, es-

pecially politicians, are question-

ing whether this vote is being used as an election campaign tactic for the Republicans. This bill will undoubt-

edly be controversial and would spark debate surrounding a crucial issue for the presidential campaign as well as for other elections this fall. We should consider the issue with which the bill deals, before we allow politics to enter the discu-

sion.

The partial-birth abortion is a brutal procedure which involves inducing labor in mothers to get the fetus into the birth canal in the bocch region, feet first. Once the fetus is in reach, the doctor cuts the spinal cord before sucking out the fetus' brain. Re-

gardless of how provoca-

tive this is, it is supposed to be done to pro-

tect the mother's health and repro-

duction rights. Yet, if the fetus is se-

verely deformed and cannot be de-

livered, it should be killed.

Partial-birth abortion is an is-

sue which needs to be discussed and handled seriously. If this is, in fact, a crucial issue, it is certainly a crucial place to bring an issue and will insure its ac-

knowledge and thorough de-

bate. No matter when it is dis-

cussed, abortion is an issue which should affect every individual's vote. It is disappointing that such an urgent issue should be put off to be used later to improve the image of a political party's plat-

form. President Clinton vetoed the bill against partial-birth abortions in April, but the override took place last week. Democrats are accusing the GOP of delaying the vote five months so that the Republicans could build up support for their party's po-

tical campaign. The safety and health of women and their unborn children are at stake and Congress is waiting around for election time to bring the issue to the forefront.

The bill is scheduled to be voted on in the Senate this week but there is little hope for an over-

ride. Clinton said that he would have passed the bill if a clause was included to preserve the health of women whose lives would be in jeopardy without the procedure.

Stop playing "election-year politics," an epitaph applied to the situation by Chris Black in his ar-

ticle last week. If the bill had taken place in April, the issue could still have been used as a political tool. It would have been a huge poli-

cal race but we would also have saved millions of unborn women and children. Know poli-

tics are characteristically dirty, but when it comes to politicians, we can save with blood on their hands.

by James Lantinen '97
Editorial Writer

The country continues to live up to their reputation as the epitome of neutrality. The most recent manifestation of their compro-

mise stance on international issues has come in the wake of new rev-

coverations regarding the actions of Swiss banks during World War II. The infamous Swiss banks have been called to question as po-

sible enablers of Hitler's Third Reich. Despite such a troubling accusation, the Swiss have re-

sponded with their characteristic objective aproach. Additionally, banks have been synonymous with privacy of fi-

nances as well as protectors of fi-

nancial freedom. The Swiss have 70-80% of their wealth in Swiss banks. This has led to a golden age of Switzerland in the 1990s. The Swiss have been defended against all government. The country is self-governed and controls its own affairs of its people and when it is to remain an objective arbiter, completely free from per-

sonal affairs of its people. The question is relevant to all govern-

ment and that of the Swiss. Some would argue that the laws that protect Swiss bank investors are the most equitable. Financial documents are only open to business of nobody but the invest-

ors and institutions. Complete autonomy of investment and banking corporation, it is argued, must be insured. The system has proven successful: both for Swiss banks and for international cli-

ents, this has been the case. During the Second World War, however, bank-

ings are better protected than medical or criminal records. The govern-

ment cannot help but balk at the exces-

sive privacy of personal finance, versus the average privacy of per-

sonal medical records in Switzer-

land. The issue is not as simple as a government's right to protect an-

sion of an individual's privacy. It seems that the Swiss are more in-

terested in protecting the interest of the wealthy.

The recent controversy pro-

vokes many evident examples of unequal treatment. It is alleged that during the second World War, Adolf Hitler capitalized on the neutrality of the Swiss and the se-

curity of dear banks to hide the tainted sum of money stolen from Europe's persecuted Jews. The end result, however, is that the Swiss neutral nation in history may be culpable - at least indirectly - in the most egregious crimes ever commited. That is, if the allega-

tions are true, the Swiss banks were responsible for aiding in Himmler's Final Solution.

Worse yet, current laws may prevent relatives of victims from getting the money returned from the banks. The reason for this is that the Swiss banking system does not have the legal authority to return assets that remain in accounts of persons that have been detained for at least ten years. In addition, it looks as though the Swiss parliament will change the law to prevent the government from performing its duties.

We may never know if Hitler used the banks to hide the money of the victims of the Holocaust, but we can learn from the response of the Swiss to these allegations. While the severe reputation of Swiss banks may suffer from these charges, the Swiss country of the Swiss nation will not be compromised.

Thanks to the perseverance of Swiss neutrality, what is being called the "last chapter of the Ho-

locusts?" may finally become his-
Re: Conceptions With "Reserve" Status

by Kieran Lalor '98 Editorial Writer

In our contemporary vocabulary, the term "reserve" is used interchangeably with the term "conservative." The adjective extreme, has been used sparingly to describe an entire class of fresh- men, Congressmen, Speaker Newt Gingrich, the Christian Coalition and even the champion of centrists, film critic, and one of the Democratic party consider any ideology to the right of center. "extreme." However, true conservatism, housed deep within the confines of liberalism. The liberal perspective on, international conflict, is the above all social issues is undoubt- edly extreme.

The Federal government maintains an extensive set of regulations for the humane treatment of animals in biomedical research and has even passed the Federal Animal Welfare Act. These laws require researchers to avoid and minimize the "discomfort, distress and pain" of lab animals. Further, the Federal government believes that "surgical or other painful procedures should not be performed on unanesthetized animals by chemicals." The same Federal government, with the support of liberal interest groups and the President, allow doctors to plunge a catheter into the skull of a partially delivered, unanesthetized infant, to suck out that child's brain until his skull collapses. This appalling procedure is defended by liberal extremists as a "choice." The procedure is so extreme, the court that decided Roe v. Wade would condemn it because even they recognized that by the third trimester the community has an interest in the protection of the unborn. The most popular defense of this infanticide states that the procedure is done to save the mother's life. However, a recent panel of non-partisan, prominent gynecologists and obstetricians has confirmed that "contrary to what abortion activists would have us believe, partial-birth abortion is never medically indicated to pro- tect a women's health or her ferti- tility." This evidence has me con- cerned as to why those who want to ban this brutal act. I innoc- ent children are considered "ex- term" while supporters of this he-

True extremism is housed deep within the confines of liberalism.

The liberal media, lead by ac- tress Candice Bergen of Murphy Brown fame, continues to exhume the virtues of the one-parent family in a campaign to discredit Vice-President Quayle and Conservation in gen- eral. Mr. Quayle simply said that raising a child alone is a difficult and risky task not to be glorified on an unrealistic TV situation com-edy. Quayle's comments have re- sulted in the disbanding of a stu- dents at the University of Michigan. This student body, comprised of 72 percent of adolescent murderers and 70 percent of long- distance runners, would not dare to come to a sterile campus. Why do extrem- isms, liberal, defend and encourage a situation that is certain to lead to more rape and murder? The political ex- tremists such as Hillary Clinton have adequate space in their "vil- lains" list. It is true that Bill Clinton has a exemplary record and required to hold all the costs of abortion, euthanasia, and assisted suicide which is a product of liberal ex- tremism.

by Kristen Martineau '98 Educational Writer

With the start of the new aca- demic year, I feel it necessary to address the issue of reserve mate- rials. In the past, students have not encountered much diffi- culty in obtaining materials that professors have housed for reserve. How- ever, this year is different. One of my professors puts many of the readings assigned to reserve. While some professors put mate- rials in the usual orange envelopes, the packets that I must ob- tain are all required. Allow me to point out a few relevant facts as to why this is an important issue.

More often than not, a profes- sor will only put one copy of the material on reserve. This does not pose a problem if the class is small, but in my case, there are about twenty students in the class. Many do not get a chance to read the material before it is due. Reserve material can be checked out for two hours. There- fore, it may take some time before you even have a chance to look at the material. Last week I waited over an hour before I could see the person in front of me returned the packet. The system simply does not make sense.

Now, of course, there are solu- tions to this problem. Students could take the packet and photocopy the entire piece (which many already do.) This server two pur- poses. It allows you to return the packet quickly so that others have a chance to use it, and you are able to retain a copy for yourself so that you can refer to it for class discuss- ion and the next few days.

Unfortunately, this can be expensive. I spent over three dollars copying material for one class. Over time this can cer- tainly add up.

I am not sure what the rationale is for putting material on reserve. I suppose professors believe it is fairer to them for only have one copy in the library as opposed to making several copies. They may believe that by having the students photocopy the packet you are allowing them to use the packet while you are not. I believe that students who want to read the material should be allowed to do so freely, willing to pay the cost of photocopying the entire piece.

In conclusion, this issue is too important to be overlooked. I hope to see a change soon.
Finding something to appease your musical appetite can be a challenge. Luckily, there's a new CD out from the band "The Who." 

"The Who" is a rock band from the UK, known for their innovative sound and dynamic performances. Their latest album, "Who's Next," has received critical acclaim and is expected to do well on the charts. 

The album features a mix of classic rock, progressive rock, and experimental styles, showcasing the band's musical diversity. It includes hits such as "Won't Get Fooled Again," "Behind Blue Eyes," and "Baba O'Riley," among others.

If you're a fan of the band or interested in exploring their music, "Who's Next" is definitely worth checking out. It's available in digital format as well as on physical media like vinyl and CD.
Heavenly Creatures

by Eric Cutler ’98
A.D.E Writer

An angel has descended upon Providence. This is no ordinary angel, though. It has taken the form of Tony Kushner’s award-winning theatrical masterpiece, “Angels in America.” Part one of the story, “Millennium Approaches,” was presented last season with a very successful run throughout the summer at Trinity Repertory Company. The much-anticipated conclusion, “Perestroika,” arrived this month to answer the questions posed in the first half.

For those who were not lucky enough to see “Millennium Approaches,” here is a basic overview of the play. Prior Walter is a man who discovers he has AIDS. His life falls apart when his boyfriend Louis Ironson, leaves him after he is taken to the hospital. Louis is afraid of being alone and does not want to watch Prior suffer. Louis meets Joe Pitt, a law clerk who is unsure about his sexuality because he does not feel attracted to his wife, Harper, anymore. Joe works for Roy Cohn, one of Joe McCarthy’s right hand men and is uncomfortable in his job. New York lawyer, Roy gets sick and announces that he has liver cancer, but is really hiding the fact that he has AIDS.

“Perestroika” picks up right where “Millennium Approaches” left off, with the magnificent image of the Angel hovering over Prior’s bed. Prior is now outside of the hospital and back at home. Louis is out of his life, and his only real friend in the world is Belize, a drag queen/ nurse. He is very sick, but “Perestroika” doesn’t put as much emphasis on his disease as the first part did. Right now he is more concerned about the Angel hanging over his head, calling him “Prophet.” Louis is facing his own set of problems, when he learns that his new lover, Joe, is a Republican Mormon — two things Louis does not agree with. Joe is confused about his feelings for Louis and his guilt over abandoning Harper.

All of this sounds like a very complicated soap opera, but it is with only nine principle actors. Providing life for these characters is a tough job; and the members of Trinity Rep handled it very well. Prior Walter, played by Brian McElaney, showed inner strength and courage, despite his body being covered by bruises and lesions. In contrast, Louis Ironson, portrayed magnificently by Ed Shean, is deeply wounded emotionally and seems to suffer throughout.

The Angel drops in on Prior

much more than that. The play discusses many subjects that some people are afraid to talk (or think) about, like AIDS, homosexuality, and abandonment. These issues are presented in an extremely frank manner that is touching, funny, and sad all at the same time.

The cast is relatively small, the play, taking the role of Roy Cohn is Trinity Rep veteran Timothy Crowe, who plays him with such a ferocity that it leaves the audience squirming in their seats. The rest of the cast is excellent, especially Roy Ford, who plays the eccentric Belize to hilarious perfection. An equally impressive part of the production is the set. With an incredibly small stage to work with, the actors utilized aides and special doorways for entrances and exits. Trinity Rep is known for its close quarters, and this works very well for the “Angels in America.” The front row is so close to the stage that people sitting there feel like they are part of the show.

“Angels in America Part 2: Perestroika” is an extremely powerful show. It does lack some of the pomp of “Millennium Approaches,” but definitely has its moments. It was not written to be a play by itself, though. All of the characters were introduced in part one, and the playwright does not give any brief description of who everybody is. He wrote this assuming that people viewing it saw the first part. Luckily, the program gives a detailed synopsis of the first play, making “Perestroika” easier to understand. There are those feeling adventurous, Trinity Rep is presenting both “Millennium Approaches,” “Perestroika” on weekends. So if anybody has six free hours on a Saturday and an extra fifty dollars lying around, this might be a nice way to spend it.

If you have seen “Millennium Approaches,” “Perestroika” is definitely recommended. Even if you have not yet seen the first part, “Perestroika” is still recommended. It is a wonderful play that delivers powerful messages that are pertinent in today’s society. However, if you plan on going, be warned: some of the material is graphic, and the language is very explicit.

“Angels in America Part 2: Perestroika” is playing at Trinity Repertory Company, which is located at 201 Washington Street in Providence. It will run nightly until October with a matinee on Sundays. For ticket information, call the Trinity Rep box office at 351-4242.

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tracted 90,000 fans, they also pre- vented 150,000 additional fans. Along with Phish’s new album, due out in October, it will not be surprising to see Phish patches sewed onto backpacks.

Beavis and Butthead are on your back. They are in college taking over your place, Ren and Stimpy are airing. We are jumping out of the frying pan only to land in the fire. Alright, you caught me. I watch them both, just for a minute I wanted to appear lolly and mature.

Wal-Mart has made some waves in the press with their ban of Sheryl Crowe’s new single because of the accussing lyrics which brand the discount chain as gay peddlers, endangering the lives of America’s children. I read an article the other day which told the story of how in a Florida Wal-Mart, a man came in to buy a gun. He was stopped by a salesman who had to complete his permit form for him. The man subsequently went home and murdered his wife with his newly acquired firearm. Now, I think that I am a pretty cynical guy, but I just don’t understand why Wal-Mart is angry that they are being criticized. I think it seems like a valid observation to me.

Speaking of Wal-Mart, John Mellancamp’s new album, “Happy-Go-Lucky,” has two different editions with differing cover art, the original, and the Wal-Mart friendly version in which images of Satan and Jesus Christ are exchanged, according to Rolling Stone. Venque has been named a staunch supporter of the gun-control musi- cis today, and his work with a folk artist should be interesting.

Speaking of MTV, yet I did just rip that last bit off of MTV News. While I am on the topic of MTV news, I will say that Wal-Mart is owned by Soren, MTV News anchor, on show Monday the 30th. I met Tabitha Soren once at a Lucsen Jackson concert in New York City. She was not friendly.

Speaking of people who are not friendly (this is not a cut on Tabitha Soren, either), there was a particu- larly menacing dog on Italian Street yesterday. The deponent animal appeared to be a stray. In an unre- lated report, a dog matching the description was reported lost on Oakland. Coincidence, no. Entertaing, perhaps.

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The Pennsylvania State University
Weekend at Basquiat

by Megan Southard ’97

A.D. Writer

I saw the film Basquiat this weekend at the Angelika theater in New York. Hours earlier I had roamed the streets and peered into the galleries where this comet of an artist struggled to be discovered and with the destructive force that followed. No one can say whether it was the fame that caused Jean-Michel Basquiat’s self-destructive nature of the muse was the source of his passion and the very force which made him great. The film is not a biography of Basquiat’s life. Instead it allows the audience a glimpse of the origins of his fame and the arena of the so-called glamorous art world into which he was catapulted. Basquiat opens in Providence this Friday, September 27th.

Basquiat was written and directed by a fellow artist and friend of Jean-Michel Basquiat, Julian Schnabel, who in the Angelika filmhall said he made the film not to “lament the artist’s death, but to honor his life.” Schnabel wanted to make a movie about “an artist’s life in this culture in general.” This accounts for his depiction of characters which actually played a part in the rising fame of the artist, including poet and art dealer John Richardson, art dealers Mary Boone and Elina Linowesthen, and Andy Warhol. The remaining characters are the sanitized stereotypes of the parasitic art world—including the menacing interview played by Christopher Walkes (the utterly devoted manager of Warhol), and Bruno Bischoberenger played by Dennis Hopper. Also included are various other influences and acquaintances of the artist played by Gary Oldman, William Dufo and Janeのが Love. After the hanging casting, the most outstanding performances were by Jeffrey Wright as Basquiat, Benicio del Toro as Basquiat’s pre-fame buddy Danny Selkowitz, and David Bowie as Warhol. David Bowie’s performance was a pleasant surprise, for he delivers a very funny depiction of the bizarre pop icon Andy Warhol. Jeffrey Wright’s performance captured a magnetism and charm in the artist which, if accurate, accounts for the attraction to the persona which is Basquiat—for the appeal of his art, as in the work of many other artists, is directly linked to the persona and experience of the artist himself.

The film opens, Basquiat is living in a box as a nineteen-year-old graffiti artist. He falls in love, proposes to a waitress played by the beautiful Claire Forlani, and is in a band with his buddies. His friends, poets and artists are central to this passionate young man’s life, but from the beginning Basquiat’s desire for fame is made obvious. He is an undeniably talented but his drug use (both cocaine and heroin) and restless depression make him a victim of the very world he so longs to be a part of. As his reputation and his fame grow, so does his depression and his drug addiction. He slowly abandons all the people he loved, quite possibly the sources from which he originally drew his powerful language and composition.

When looking at Basquiat’s art, there is no denying the originality and talent of the voice which emerges from the primitive expression and the often violent urgency of his work. The film’s strength lies not only in its exploration of the personality and genius of this tragic figure, but also in its nature of the art world and its inhabitants. It raises a question about the exploitation, which occurs in this glamorous arena, and the honesty of the creations of the so-called chosen ones once they achieve fame. How does one get recognized and at the same time maintain the original honesty and motive for creation? Basquiat’s life became a hot topic for the media, and he was often mocked as the token black artist of the predominantly white, elitist art world. As the film progressed I became disappointed at its inability to give me more of the inner workings of the artist himself, his reactions to the obviously ubiquitous players around him, and the players eager for the new-est and most controversial trend they could get their hands on. I wanted to know how he felt about the trade-offs and the seemingly inevitable sacrifice of a piece of your soul. The artist seemed less and less accessible. Maybe this is how he appeared to all of his public at the time as he veered towards suicide and depression. Maybe this is why he was dead at twenty-seven.

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Zen and the Art of Ice Cream Tasting

by Venessa Anderson '99
Ask & Edit. Editor

Ice Cream. There, I just had to savor that word for a second.

Have you ever pondered the mystery and beauty of ice cream? Well I have, often. It is artful in its texture, aroma and taste. It is amazing to me, and what helps its intrigue is that it can not be replicated (artfully and tastefully) at home (unless you are an ice cream genius). Yeah, sure, you can buy a pint at the grocery store and bring it home, but you have not created that dessert. You are only feeding off of someone else’s idea.

In order to understand an ice cream cone completely, you must be at one with the point of creation, almost Zen-like. This can pose a problem, especially to the college student, because first of all, who has the time to find the ultimate ice cream shop, and second of all, when do you have the time, who

prices were way too high... all most ridiculously. For example, a small ice cream is $2.00, and they barely give you anything for that.

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mummmm... countertop

photo by Venessa Anderson '99

The Cowl 11
ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT
September 26, 1996
Attention all Sophomores!

It's not too early to think about JRW!
Get involved with the plans.
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Tuesday, October 1st
'64 Hall 7pm

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A MESSAGE FROM STEP I

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Monday, Sept. 30th
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Refreshments will be served

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English French
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Pax Christi Meeting
September 30th
Slavin 211
7pm

Class of '98

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Ryan Crowley '97 and Andy Schreiner '97
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"Blackout!"

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"Always hooking, never looking!!"
What Shamrock?
by Ali Fallon '98
Features Writer

It usually surprises people when they find out that I have a tattoo. I guess it is because I don't fit the stereotype of someone who you would typically expect to have one. I am glad that I have my tattoos; the actual experience of getting it is not one that I would wish to repeat.

It seems that I have a claw scratching deep into the layers of your skin. At times it feels as if you are holding my hand, shakily, in a pretty painful right? Now, imagine it being prolonged for an extended period of time. Imagine that an agitating "buzzing" noise cutting at your nerves and reminding you of the agony that you chose to put yourself in.

Let me back up for a second and relay my "tattoo experience" from the beginning. My friend, Kerri, convinced me that we should get tattoos of shamrocks on our hips before we returned from our trip to Ireland this past summer. We figured that the tattoo would always remind us of our experience in Ireland, and it does remind me of our trip to Ireland, but more significantly it reminds me of the actual trip in the tattoo parlor.

I walked in and saw this big bold Irish guy with earrings and tattoos all over his body. He looked as if he belonged in a 1970s Scorsese movie. Now, I just don't know what I wanted a shamrock tattoo. He started laughing and sarcastically said that all Americans are the same; we all lack creativity. He added that we only associate Ireland with shamrocks, leprechauns, and beer. Therefore, he refused to give an American a tattoo of any of these. In fact, he said that the only way that he would give me a tattoo was if I let him use his "artistic creativity" to design something that would perfectly fit my personality. I agreed, and after a lot of conversation on canvas, I had visions of returning to America with a hip and eventually found inspiration to depict the whole of my life, my memories, my dreams, my loves, and my thoughts. I could see a lot of work coming out of this shop, very different than any other experience. After further arguing, he finally agreed to give me my shamrock tattoo, but it made quite clear that the only reason he was doing so was because he couldn't lose the sale. That made me feel a lot better.

It's true that the tattoo itself is not as perfect as I had expected, but when I see my name and the dates that I got it, I smile and think back to the day. I don't think that I would have gotten a tattoo if I didn't see the value of it in the future. I also think about how my friends would have thought that I was nuts to get a tattoo.

I love my tattoo. I think it was a great $20.00 investment (yes, that was all it cost. In the US they are usually a lot more expensive). It is a cool feeling when people say, "Wow you have a tattoo!" Don't get me wrong, I am not saying that I would run out to get another one if I did in certainly wouldn't be in Ireland again! But I don't regret getting the one I have.

A Touch of Fiction In Four Years...
by Lori McCream '99
Features Editor

Without a word, she tossed the book aside. The sound of the TV and landed with a thud in the corner of the closet. I was going nuts. She sat in the chair that she nearly destroyed my TV, but decided to remain silent. She walked out of the door.

I found her curled into one of the living room chairs, listlessly staring at the city lights. I would have checked for a pulse, but occasionally she took sips of water from her favorite cup.

"How are you okay?" I asked nurturingly.

No answer. I waited.

"What’s wrong?" I tried again.

"Life." She offered nothing more. I considered myself lucky to have gotten a response at all.

Her family thinks that she is losing her mind, and I think that I am losing my mind. She had been used to smile at all the time, but now she seems so depressed. I couldn't cope. I would rub her back, brush the tears from her eyes, hope that I didn't see them. But I did, and I still do. Honestly, I was worried about her. She cannot go on like this forever.

She was so little, but she wanted me to take that last year. She refuses to take nap, and uses caffeine to keep herself functioning. Too much coffee makes her

as hyper as she can be, and the crashes are bad. She used to have a few more cups of coffee at night, but I have convinced her to switch to tea. She is running her hands through my hair. Maybe she is running away, I can't decide.

I walked back to the room and tried to study, but I couldn't. I was distracted by the flashing of my mind away, and I hope that that the ugliest things that I have ever seen, but she loved them. I don't really know how to explain it, I just know that it is full of so much. I know that it had to something with doing Chris. I never really asked her why I wasn't sure if I had wanted to be expected, but I have given up. She has got, I am sure that I could see her smiling. I have seen her have a smile. I turned out the lights. I sighed and began to realize.

She crawled into bed a couple of hours later. I guess she was thinking about the whole of her studies. I was told me. I think she felt asleep right away. Now I was the one that was staring into the ceiling waiting for my eyes to close.

I wanted to be able to tell her just what it was I found so smile again. It was okay if she did not make Dean's list. I was still in love her, even if she decided not to be an English major. I wish that she would stop drinking her problem away, and today I asked, "I will get over the whole ear piercing thing. I wanted her to remember herself. She needed to get a hold of her emotions and learn to accept life. She knows all this, but I don't think she knows exactly what to do. I don't know how to help.

Someone once told me that when you leave college, you won't even recognize the person you were when you first got there. I would like to think that I am the same, but I can already see her changing. We still have on more year to go.

Thought of the Week
Ask yourself, whether you are happy, and you cease to be so.

- John Stuart Mill

September 26, 1996

REALITY CHECK

Features Writer

This past week I managed to sneak a peak at the Smithsonian exhibit before it closed its doors to the city of Providence. It was an exhibit to the nickname "America's attic." Visitors were able to gape at precious jewels, cultural artifacts and famous paintings (just to name a few of the highpoints).

As I was walking along the exhibit, I came to realize that this is what America is all about. People of all ages, races and nationalities coming together and reviewing the past, while trying to make a difference in the future.

The myriad of yellow school buses showed that many teachers took advantage of the rich learning experience. The students are the people that can gain the most from learning about our history because they are integral parts of our future. From the looks on their faces, they enjoyed it thoroughly. However, while looking at a Japanese pottery display, I heard one of the kids in front of me say, "When do we get to see the Ford?" Then, on the other side of the spectrum of life, there were quite a few older people taking everything in. They missed the areas that were focused on Big Band and Swing Music memorabilia. Perhaps remembering a time of innocence...

For me, the exhibit proved how rich in culture America is. Having travelled to Europe before, I have often felt that coming back home is like going from college to high school. Although we may not have flying butterflies, we do have things like old American baseball.

The other thing that strikes me when I go to a museum, is that the pottery and words that are in the display cases actually belonged to someone. Try for a minute to imagine who that person was. How did that person live? How did he or she die? Then there are the more famous exhibits, for example the top hat President Lincoln wore on that tragic night at Ford's Theatre. It's amazing to realize that this hat was actually on his head. Can you imagine the museums of the future? You never know, our children's great-grandkids may be looking at the Civil books we use today through a temperature controlled glass case. Just like in the real world, the exhibit wasn't free from society's lies. Security was very apparent throughout the entire Convention Center. There should not be a need to guard the nation's treasures. Why can't we everyone just share our common heritage.

There was quite a bit of commercialism too. I realize that particular companies sponsored the nationwide exhibits, but did they really have to make it that obvious? One of the sponsors designed a fifty foot fake computer complete with a hard drive and keyboard in an attempt to advertise their product. It was almost as if the exhibit itself was in the shadow of the sponsors.

The entertainment segment of our culture is one of the most popular industries. It is getting to the point that American movies and music are being seen and heard everywhere, all the way to Japan. It is why I wasn't surprised to see crowds of people among the sports and entertainment that is the truth is however, that there were more people gazing at Judy Garland's ruby slippers than Washington's battle sword. This shows that the public is interested in a fictional character more than the founder of our country.

When I walked out of the door of the Convention Center, I realized it was back to work. Back to school. My brief field trip had come to an end. I left with the sense of the "big" perspective. Now, I just look forward to marking my mark on the world. P.S. Kermit isn't dead.
On Lava Lamps and Bonsai Trees
by Kate Fournier '99 Features Writer

I have decided to take a break from my usual column, "Sites in the City." So, if you are at a loss about what to do this week, you are on your own. I have chosen to write instead about adapting to life in a campus apartment. My three friends and I were fortunate enough to land an apartment in Bedford, as sophomores. Throughout the summer we all eagerly looked forward to the prospect of two bedrooms, a kitchen, a living room, and a bathroom all to ourselves. No more waiting in line for showers, and we could cook our own meals. What a welcome change it would be from our cramped dorm rooms! We felt mature and self-confident. We happily planned who would bring the vacuum and who would bring the plunger. Moving day came too slowly, but when it finally did come, we felt we were moving into the Marriott. We found the floors carpeted, the furniture brand new, and tons of closet space. Our friends were jealous when they came from McVinney and Aquinas to visit. We were living large.

In the first few days, the apartment became a haven from classes. We spent much of our free time rearranging bureaus and beds and hanging up posters. I think that my first glimpse of real apartment life came when my roommate Chris tacked up a Queen poster. Of course, my Beatles posters are all over the room, but I woke up the morning to stare at Freddie Mercury in a red bodysuit covered with gold lamé. Since she also brought a bonsai tree, I really cannot complain. I guess both the tree and the poster are good conversation starters. Chris and I talk all the time. Usually some fascinating revelation comes to us at about midnight. Once we laughed for a half hour about the gizmos we play with in elementary school.

My two goldfish in the living room are good ice-breakers too, at least, when you can see them through the foggy water. It seemed so easy to find the time to clean them at the beginning of the semester. I think it is more fun to try to find them through the slime anyway. I am usually reminded to clean the bowl by my roommates, who are less tolerant of the smell than I am.

Living with friends is a great experience, and I learn something new about mine everyday. When Carolyn pulled out her lava lamp I was thrilled, but I soon discovered that she does not like it as much as I do, proudly displayed in the window. She also prefers the magnets on the refrigerator to be perpendicular to one another. Then there is Debbie, who whispers our load as she reads. I have quirks too, though. When my first Italian class came home, and labeled everything in sight, from the garbage can to the television. I know they will thank me someday when they need to know the word for remote control in Italian.

We have our problems with the apartment. I think I was the lucky one who discovered that the toilet is a veritable geyser. That thing has so much water power that I am afraid someone might lose a leg. And the sound of the flush calls to mind the sounds of Old Faithful. We have decided to put a copy of Van Gogh's "The Scream" on the inside of the door. Chris and I have finally found something that is living outside our window. We have both heard a strange, animal-like chirping out there, and one night we chirped back at it for about twenty minutes. We named it Bert. It is the current topic of interest in the apartment right now. We can get bored sometimes.

This is the stuff that college is made of. We cope with each other's imperfections. We smile at one another's quirks. We roll over when a roommate comes in at four o'clock in the morning. We forgive when a roommate shatters a ceramic bowl containing homemade applesauce (yup, that was me). These are little things. Our apartment is home to so much more later night chats and Super Nintendo Tournaments. We are learning about ourselves as we learn about each other. Our apartment is Bedford will see many historic moments and will ultimately be the birthplace of memories as the year goes by.

Through the Eyes of a Six Year Old
by Sarah Antoniello '98 Features Writer

My name is Emily Elizabeth Jones. I'm six years old and my favorite food used to be pickles. I ate pickles all the time until my Nana told me that if I kept eating so many pickles, I was going to turn into one. I was shocked when I heard this, and I was afraid to go to sleep that night because I was sure I was going to wake up the next morning as a pickle.

I lay in bed imagining being all green with no arms and having fat

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heart, you will bear him offer a piece of himself to the surrounding

living in that life in which I failed myself, in which I ignored the passions of my heart, in which every day the regret would increase until it consumed my every action.

lying Beneath the mask of simplicity is a perfectly sly indifference, that, if nourished soothes its way into existence, overcoming senses, and directing every action, sending the mind into a whirlwind of chaos and a state of static confu-

sion of soul, of heart, of others.

allows the passion and knowledge of your heart to discover your every motion so that you may reach a state of unburdened fulfillment. if you do not listen to your heart, you will find yourself alone.
Take Action

by Brian Kenney ’99
Features Writer

On a green day a nosy person can overhear frustrated students talking about something that bothers them about Providence College. The most common complaints are about the price increases at Alumni or the long lines at both Alumni and Raymond. Other students have concerns about the police that patrol the surrounding area. Some students feel that the police have violated their civil rights on a number of occasions. These complaints bother me because they affect me and my friends at Providence College. What angers me is the fact that students are not making enough effort to resolve these issues in a positive way. Complaining to your peers doesn’t do anything in the effort to resolve your problems. If the new changes in the cafeteria bother you, go to the congress office and talk to the members that you elected to represent your class. You will find that congress has a food committee that was formed to address the students concerns with the cafeteria. Who knows, you might even be able to get involved with such a committee and personally see how your problems are being addressed.

If you feel like your rights have been violated by the local police, do something about it as soon as possible. Take down the badge number of the police officer who you believe acted wrongly. Go to student services so that they can send you to the proper people to fix this matter. The important thing is that you report the incident as soon after it happened as possible. Registering as a voter in the state of Rhode Island will also influence how the police treat you. If enough students register to vote, politicians will be forced to listen to us. Politicians who are running for reelection don’t want to see potential votes thrown away because the local police are beating up their constituents.

You should know that Providence College has people working to specifically address students concerns. If you don’t tell them what your problem is, they can’t help you. You must take action and get involved.

Santa Claus and Pickles

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peared from the doorway. A few seconds later she returned with a glass of water. She handed me the glass and sat down next to me on the edge of my bed. After I managed to take a few sips and control my breathing, Vanessa said, “Okay, what’s wrong with you?”

“Nana told me that Santa Claus is going to eat me because...” “What?” Vanessa screamed as she leaped to her feet, “You mean to tell me that she missed the best part of my show because you’re afraid of Santa Claus? David was going to ask Donna out again and all you could think about is Santa Claus? I missed it, I missed the whole thing, he probably asked her out right as I was racing up the stairs thinking you were dying or something by the sounds of your shrieks, all because of Santa Claus!” She stomped out of the room and screamed, “Go to bed!” as she slammed the door.

“Don’t close the door!” I pleaded, but it was too late. She had already stormed downstairs.

“Hey! Open the door! VAAA-NEES-SAAA! Its too dark! Open the door!” I stopped yelling and listened for her footsteps coming back up the stairs, but all I heard was silence. “Im telling!” I screamed, but she didn’t answer. “Oh my god! Maybe she can’t hear me! Maybe Im not really talking, maybe Im already turned green and my mouth is gone!”

Maybe my arms are gone! My arms are gone! Maybe I imagined it, I can’t see my arms! I’m a PICKLE!

I tried to get up and run for the door, but I couldn’t move. “Oh no! What am I going to do now?” I cried hopelessly. I felt my body going limp and the smell of sweet and sour filled the air.

There was nothing I could do but wait for someone to come in and eat me. I waited and waited and waited.

The next thing I knew, my brother Jay was jumping on my stomach, grunting at the top of his lungs, “Glory, glory, hallelujah! Teacher hit me with a ruler. So I sat here at the door with a loaded Forty-Four. And she’s not my teacher anymore!” I screamed for my mother to get him off of me.

Good morning, Emily dear, get up and get ready for school, your clothes are at the end of your bed. I heard my mother call from her room.

I sat up and looked at my hands. I grinned and jumped out of my bed screaming, “I have arms, I have arms! Im not green!”

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Corner

by Yvonne M. Arsenault ’99
Features Writer

There is something intimidating and slightly scary about the laundry room always located in the basement of every dorm. There aren’t always a lot of people in it, yet there is a lot of activity. If you haven’t visited it yet this year, you will soon.

Doing laundry at college can be a very memorable experience. I have, one remember the screams of despair from my roommate when she discovered that her new clothes were all dyed green from her flannel sheets. These occurrences are not rare and are a part of the laundry experience. Once you think you have it all figured out, something weird will happen again. So, help avoid breakages of college laundry etiquette, I’ve compiled a list of laundry do’s and don’ts to aid you all.

1. Don’t flood the washer. By overstuffing the washer, it will not be able to do its job. There really aren’t many worse things than walking into the laundry room and finding McDermott Lake. Besides, it is a waste of those precious quarters.

2. Don’t bums your clothes. This actually is possible. By putting too many clothes into the dryers, or putting the dryer setting too high may lead to an unplanned fire drill. The residents in your dorm really won’t like it if you suddenly had the urge to do your laundry at one in the morning and the fire alarm went off. You won’t be pleased either for reducing your already reduced wardrobe.

3. Don’t forget about your clothes because they are left in the dryer for too long after their cycle, so one will take your clothes out and (hopefully) nicely place them on a table. This is a basic rule for college laundry rooms. If you want to assure that all your clothes will make it back to your room, go and get your clothes on time.

4. Quarters are a necessary element for doing laundry. College students have a tendency to horde quarters and actually try to purchase lengths to hide these quarters from others. If you are lacking quarters, Bedford, McKinney, and Aquinas have change machines that sometimes work, depending on their mood.

5. Dryer sheets help to cut down on static cling and decrease the occurrence of embarrassing incidents.

6. Ironing isn’t necessary unless you are one of those super neat people who have a passion for ironing. For those who are like this, it will wear off. I feel it is a wonderful feeling of freedom to wear wrinkled clothes. It is a waste of those precious quarters.

7. Don’t bums your clothes. This actually is possible. By putting too many clothes into the dryers, or putting the dryer setting too high may lead to an unplanned fire drill. The residents in your dorm really won’t like it if you suddenly had the urge to do your laundry at one
Scientifically Speaking

[Comic 1]

It's a beautiful day to ticket... let's do green stickers today!

Keloid

[Comic 2]

Now! you too can park in the furthest reaches of the known universe--right next to petey!

Petey

[Comic 3]

Just clipper this official sticker, moniker, and affix it to your windsheild. Remember to bring plenty of food for the walk.

Petey Mitchell

...you should just about see it.

Oh great; there it is, just beyond those hills.

Well if you set the telescope coordinates to 1-105-62, heading east with a longitudinal value of 4...
SPORTS

PC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Paula Wagner '98
(Toledo, Ohio)
Field Hockey

Paula led the Lady Friar Field Hockey Team to its first Big East win of the season on Sunday versus Villanova. She tallied two assists in the 3-1 victory as she dished off to Alissa Wickles and Heather Koopman for scores.

Jessie LeMasters '00
(Cincinnati, Ohio)
Women's Tennis

Jessie led the women's tennis team to a 2-0 mark last week, posting wins in the number one singles position against New Hampshire (9/19) and Connecticut (9/20).

This Week In Sports

Friday

Volleyball
Men's Tennis

@ Dartmouth Invitation
@ Yale Invitational

Saturday

Men's Soccer
Field Hockey
Volleyball
Men's Cross Country
Women's X-Country

@ Seton Hall
@ Holy Cross
@ Central Connecticut
@ U. of Minnesota Invit.
@ U. of Minn. Invit.
@ Big East Champion-

Sunday

Women's Soccer
Men's Tennis

@ Yale University

Monday

Men's Soccer
Volleyball
Women's Tennis

RUTGERS
@ Yale Invitation

Tuesday

Women's Soccer
Field Hockey

HOLY CROSS
@ Tufts

Wednesday

Women's Soccer
Field Hockey

@ Boston College
@ Boston College

Thursday

Volleyball
Men's Tennis

The Ramble
by Todd McKeating '97
Sports Writer

*Look's like there is a new sheriff in town. University of Florida quarterback Danny Wuerfel may have moved ahead of Tennessee's Peyton Manning after Wuerfel led the Gators to a 35-29 victory over Tennessee. Wuerfel threw four first-half TD passes and finished 11-for-22 and 153 yards. More importantly, Wuerfel is 24-2-1 as a starter. Manning threw for a school-record 492 yards and 4 TD's, but four first-half interceptions may put a damper on his Heisman chances.

*Matt's gone, don't you think? The Dallas Cowboys, dubbed America's Team, are in the same problem America is going through. They are fighting the war on drugs, shifting through family values and worrying about their job skills. If things are not bad enough, they are tied for last place with the New York Giants.

*Hideo Nomura, Paul Molitor and Roger Clemens. What a week for these superstars. Nomura threw a no-hitter for the Los Angeles Dodgers against the Colorado Rockies at Coors Field. The same Coors Field where the Rockies are hitting over .300 and balls seem to

fly out of the stadium more than out of a crib. The 40-year-old Nomura became the 21st player in Major League baseball history to reach 3,000 hits and the first to do so in triple. He reached the milestone despite missing 392 games in his career due to injury. Finally, Roger "The Rocket" Clemens. Clemens tied his own record by striking out 20 batters during a nine-inning game. "I'm amused by the simplicity of this game."

*Once again, the Maryland Terrapins absolutely owned the Buffalo Bills as two weeks ago they subdued the Bills 24-6. The Steelers forced Jim Kelly to throw four interceptions and controlled the ball for 19 minutes. Hey Buffalo and Jim Kelly, stay out of Pittsburgh, stay out of Three Rivers, No Soup for You!

*Watch out for the Seattle Mariners. Once again they are making a late season surge. Last year, the Mariners overcame an 11 1/2 game deficit to win their first division crown. This year, since September 2, the Mariners have cut the Texas Rangers' lead in the American League West from 12 games to two games. The charge has been led in part by rookie superstars Alex Rodriguez '363 batting average and 36 home runs (unthinkable numbers for a shortstop). All Ken Griffey Jr. has done is hit .303 with 40 dingers despite being injured for some of the season, while Edgar Martinez quietly chipped in a 340 avg. and 26 home runs. However, they must cap off their run without their ace, the "Big Unit," Randy Johnson.

*The Wild Card. What a

and half years. Notre Dame defeated Texas, 27-24, on a last second field goal by freshman Jim Sanson. Syracuse lost to Minnesota, 35-33, dropping to 0-2. Next week, the Ohio State Buckeyes travel to South Bend to take on Notre Dame and Florida State takes on North Carolina.

*Kevin Mitchell is in the headlines again. The Florida-Cincinnati Reds confirmed a San Diego street gang had made death threats against Mitchell. Let's hope this is something that will get resolved before something drastic happens.

*The 14 players with 40 or more home runs this season are: Mark McGwire, Ken Griffey Jr., Juan Gonzalez, Albert Belle, Brady Anderson, Andres Galarraga, Jay Buhner, Gary Sheffield, Barry Bonds, Todd Hundley, Mo Vaughn, Frank Thomas, Greg Vaughn and Sammy Sosa.

*How crazy was the Patriots' game this Sunday? Hail Mary after Hail Mary after Hail Mary and five field goals by Adam Vinatieri. Perhaps lost in the wildness, Ben Coates extended his reception streak to 33 games with at least one catch.

*The Providence College Men's Soccer team continues to roll. Last week, the Friars posted a 1-1-1 mark. They tied fifth-ranked Rutgers, 2-2, lost to Brown, 2-1 and earned their first BIG EAST win of the season by defeating Villanova, 2-0.

*Hey, the New York Giants won their first game of the season, against the New York Jets. They have the same record as the Cowboys, 1-3.
by Gladys Ganiel '99
Sports Writer

If you've ever studied like mad and then failed your exam, or practiced parallel parking and then hit the curb during your driver's test, then you can identify with the Providence College women's soccer team.

Every day our Lady Friars are out on the practice field hustling, refining their skills, and improving their teamwork. But when it comes time to be tested in the games, nothing seems to go right.

Coach Liz Wynn's club dropped two more matches this past weekend, losing 2-0 at Seton Hall and 5-0 at Monmouth. PC's mark fell to 0-8.

"The scores don't reflect how we've been playing," insists sophomore goalkeeper Sheila Gibbons. "We have been improving." Indeed the Friars were solid Saturday against Big East foe Seton Hall.

PC held the Pirates scoreless in the first half and limited them to just seven shots on goal for the entire game. The 4-2 team from New Jersey didn't even score until Pirate Michele Canning knocked one in after 56:20 had expired.

"That was one of our best games, our closest games," says Gibbons. "Our transition was much better, we were more offensive minded, and we pulled together the things we've been working on in practice."

Against Monmouth on Sunday the Friars surrendered four first half goals and trailed 5-0 when the game was called with 17:00 left due to lightning. Their New Jersey based opponents outshot the Friars 16-4.

"We didn't play our style of game," Gibbons explains. "We had a few breakdowns and they were able to capitalize."

Gibbons says that PC often quickly and needlessly booting the ball to the other end, rather than taking their time and moving the ball carefully to their offensive players.

Gibbons, like most of the young Friars, has little experience. She played halfback in high school and was converted to a goalie last year. Despite her unfamiliarity with the box, she started 11 games last season and has started four this season. "I'm a lot more comfortable this year," she admits. "And I've been taking a more active role on the field."

The Friars' leading scorer has been midfielder Shayna Ross, who has started all eight games. Ross has netted two of PC's three goals this year. Ironically, Ross was a star goalie at Whitman-Hanson High in Massachusetts, compiling 41 career shutouts.

Gibbons believes that the Friars' hard work will start to pay off soon. In the meantime, despite the scores on the board, PC will focus on the improvements that they have already made.

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MIDNIGHT MADNESS
MONDAY OCTOBER 14TH

Guest Speaker: Lenny Wilkens
Coach of the '96 Dream Team

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be scoring on the goal with their back to the sun. If you have any sense of direction, you can now figure out that the unfortunate Yale goal was fried to face our unfortunate direction to the sun. Call it divine intervention.

Like a kid with poor grammar problems, they couldn’t capitalize. In fact, in was the Yale cut that put on the pressure. Pires had to make two fantastic saves to force the second OT. One was a diving save that had the Providence fans gasp. The second was a leaping save that had the Providence fans exhale. Onto overtime numero dos.

This time, the Friars had to face the sun. Pires stalked out to the goal with a baseball cap pulled low over his eyes for a sticker. Junior midfielder Robert Kruse began to urge his teammates on. And senior midfielder Tony Czar, who

had yet to score a goal this year, was preparing to be a hero.

They didn’t look bright enough to win. But due to a rough play in the backfield, leading scorer Kruse had to be pulled. Someone else had to step up. Leaving with it would have been awful. If they tie, they would end up with as many ties as they have wins. A tie would be unacceptable.

It was another freshman who started things off. Chris Holterhoff, a midfielder from Wayne, New Jersey, went burning down the right sideline looking for a teammate to cross the ball to. Caro stepped into the middle and, in his words, “slotted it home.”

The ironic thing is (cue Alanis), Caro did not start this game. He came in for a while in the second, but was inserted in again for the second overtime. Aimough proved to be a fortunate teller (cue Psychic Friends). According to back-seat coach Car, “It was a real good decision by Coach Aimough.” It was a game-winning good decision.

The final damage: a 2-1 victory improving the team’s overall record to 4-2-2. Pires collected a career high 4 saves. Providence’s next game is Saturday at Seton Hall. Their next home game is a must see battle versus Holy Cross.

Ups and Downs

by Kim Galipeau ’99

Soccer Writer

“After getting off to a great start last week, with two outstanding wins against UNH and UConn, the PC women’s tennis team suffered an unfortunate loss against Central Connecticut on Wednesday. “We were caught with our heels back,” said Coach Carl LaBranche. “Central Connecticut was more aggressive, where we were just a little bit sluggish.”

This One Should Get a Response

by John Carchedi ’98

Avis Sports Editor

There’s a rift at this school, between Red Sox fans and Yankee followers. The Yankee fans are bitter, hostile and whiny in defeat, relentlessly obnoxious in victory. Often, you can see the delusions in their eyes and more noticeably in their speech, that when the pins-stripes win fans believe they themselves had belted the game winning hit.

You’ll find the most conspicuous of these Yankee supporters are from Connecticut. It is well and good to cheer for clubs from other states. But should these folks be so loud about the fact that the New York Yankees are in the midst of their longest stretch without a World Series crown. The title is overdue. When the titles have been earned often, they tend to become expected. So, the dressing is more biting than for others.

The Sox fans are different. They support their team to the bitter end. They’ll tear the pin-stripes to pieces vocally, just like Yankee fans rip into the Sox. But Boston baseball fans are hardened. They’ve endured every year of title with no trophy. And because of this hardening, Boston fans are gracious in defeat. No excuses are made, for no fan is tougher on the home club than the Boston fan.

(But the way, there is absolutely no bias in this writer.)

But the greatest quality of the Red Sox fan is resiliency. After the boys are traditionally in the upper quarter of the division year after year and usually only miss the playoffs by a handful of games. The playoffs, collectively, are a game of chance.

One day Chance will smile, finally, on the Hub. The streets of Boston will erupt, as if a piece of heaven descended on the old town. That’s how magical, how powerful the day would be. It would be strong enough to extinguish 80 years of falling short.

And I cannot see the Red Sox fan, best embolden, not by age but by heart, by a roughly eighty-year-old man with a Sox cap and a smile across his face, cutting down a Yankee backer. I figure he would

Katie Burke ’99

Singles players Kim Bergin and Katie Burke were the only two team members to win their matches in this 5-2 team loss to Central Connecticut.

Due to the fact that Central Connecticut plays on indoor courts, the team had been practicing indoors this week, to prepare against the competition’s “home-court advantage.”

According to LaBranche, playing on an indoor court may have affected the girls’ play. “It made only a little bit of a difference though, because they seemed pretty comfortable in it.”

The home opener against UNH last week proved to be an impressive 7-0 victory against a team that was going into the match with a 4-2 record.

“This match was the first time that everyone had a mental focus on each and every point,” stated senior captain Chris Judge. “Winning really got the team’s confidence going.”

LaBranche also stressed the team’s enthusiasm. “UNH had been looking much better,” said LaBranche, “so we were very happy to beat them.”

The victory over Big East rival UConn was definitely a worthy achievement. “UConn was a great win,” noted Judge. “We went in, did the job, and came out again.”

“All six singles players were outstanding,” according to Coach LaBranche. “I was very pleased with the way everyone played.”

The only loss of the match came from junior Christine Martin who had to forfeit during her match due to a painful back problem. Martin had won the first set and was up 3-2 in the second, before the default. LaBranche was confident that the team would’ve won 7-0, if not for Christine’s injury.

Martin was still in a lot of pain during Wednesday’s loss to Central Connecticut. The injury obviously affected her play and limited her chances of winning a match she might normally have no problem with.

“Hopefully Christine will be alright because she is in a big asset to our team,” expressed Judge.

Christy Judge knows how it feels to be injured and unable to play to the best of one’s ability. Since the start of the season, she has been recovering from nose surgery and has yet to compete with her team. Though her knee is now much stronger and will allow her to play, she was just recently diagnosed with a mild case of mono.

“As far as my eye goes, I’m ahead of the game in that aspect,” commented Judge. “I just hope to be playing again in about two weeks.”

Looking ahead to the women’s next match versus Bowdoin College on Sunday, September 29th, LaBranche seems optimistic.

“Bowdoin is a Division 3 school that is traditionally very good at tennis, so the game should

be interesting,” replied Coach LaBranche.

With the PC women’s tennis team going into their next match with two wins and one loss, they are anxious to get back into action and hold onto a winning record.

“The girls have been showing signs of playing well,” assured LaBranche. “They just need to begin playing more consistently.”
SPORTS

All Business
Providence Volleyball Focuses To Beat Hartford

by Ken Martin ’99
Sports Writer

The drive up Route 6 to Hartford is beautiful this time of year. The foliage is at peak, there is a slight chill in the air, and, if your lucky, you might even catch a glimpse of a family of deer roaming the countryside.

Nevertheless, as the Providence women’s volleyball team boarded their bus this past Tuesday to visit the University of Hartford the scenery may have been the last thing on their minds.

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Senior captain Becky Loftus took All-Tournament honors at the Eagle Classic, but the honor paled in comparison to the victory Tuesday.

"It's nice to be selected for that kind of thing (all-tourney team), but winning games is what we really want right now," said Loftus.

"That's why we wanted to go in to Hartford and really play well and come home with a win."

The Lady Friars dominated both sides of the court with strong play from all six starters.

Defensively sophomore outside hitter Sheryl Jones has played well. PC recording 137 digs in 42 games. Her 3.26 average ranks her fourth in the Big East Conference.

Reasons for the business-like attitude came this past weekend at B.C. PC faced such mid-western powers as Minnesota and Cincinnati, losing both matches 0-3 and 1-3. Yet, characteristic of the season, the Black and White were able to find a positive in their 3-1 win versus Backnell.

"It's nice to be selected for that kind of thing... but winning games is what we really want right now."

The Providence volleyball team will be looking to win their first home game this Tuesday night at seven against cross-town rival Brown University. Providence beat Brown in their last meeting 3-0.

Next Home Game For The Friars: Tuesday, October 1st Against Brown at &:00 pm in Alumni Hall

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Men's Soccer Survives Nailbiter

Friars Need Two Overtimes To Drop Yale, Improve Record to 4-2-2

by Cory McGann
Sports Editor (Amstel)

Nothing comes easy when you're turning the corner. Just because you have been down on your luck for like, the past three years, that doesn't mean teams are just going to lie down for you when you start to get things going.

And that is exactly why it took the Providence College soccer team two overtimes to down the Yale Bulldogs 2-1.

It was kind of a beautiful thing taking place at the Yale University Soccer-Lacrosse Stadium yesterday. The young mixed with the old to provide a much-needed victory against a very tough Bulldog squad. Ranked number three in New England behind the University of Rhode Island and Brown, Yale was riding high with a 3-0 record to start the season.

Then it all came crashing down around them. They faced a Friar team who had all the components of a dangerous team: one that was playing well yet could not win some winnable games. Before downing Villanova 2-0, they tied Rutgers (5th ranked in the country), lost 2-1 to Brown, and tied Big East rival Pittsburgh 2-2.

They wanted to win this game.

The needed to win this game. The youngins started them off. Freshman midfielder Michael Eisenhut scored the game's first goal off a feed from junior forward Juan Acevedo at 15:19.

It didn't last long. Despite cautious play by the defense and superb netkeeping by sophomore Daniel Pires, Yale answered with a wide open goal by senior midfielder Julio Guzman.

"(Guzman) is a great player," said Pires. "Unfortunately, we left him open for a couple of moments, and he hurt us."

Guzman got the pass from freshman midfielder Neill Guilbert at 64:26 with just Pires to beat. He did, leaving only a look of incredulity on Pires' face as he looked for the bench for answers.

Pires had the last laugh, though. Despite constant Yale pressure, the Friars fought them off to force an overtime that would separate the men from the boys (or, at the very least, the good soccer players from the bad soccer players). To brighten the drama, the sun broke through the heavy clouds for the first time throughout the game, just as it was setting. As luck would have it, the Black and White would continued on page xx

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Friar Field Hockey Breaks into the Win Column

by Mike Fries '97
Sports Writer

One must imagine the Lady Friar field hockey team, being avid Cowl readers that they are, throwing down last week's issue in disgust. Last week, they were asailed by yours truly for their sloppy play in their first three games, all losses.

They must have been angry, reading about all the problems they had on their team, and they may have decided to do something about it.

Well they have. The squad has forced me, one of the most critical writers on the staff, to give them the credit which they so justly deserve.

The Lady Friars regrouped from their 0-3 start and soundly defeated Big East rival Villanova 3-1 on Sunday afternoon for their first Big East and overall victory. Junior goalkeeper Jamie Soteriadou, who took most of the abuse last week, responded by allowing only one goal in the crucial Big East matchup, her best performance of the year after giving up 12 goals in the first three contests.

"Jamie played very well this week, and that's what allowed us to win," faded junior forward Heather Koopman.

The offense also responded to the early season adversity with their highest output of the season. They had only scored four total in the first three games.

Junior forward Atissa Wickles and junior midfielder and All-American candidate Paula Wagner exploded at the offensive end of the field. Wickles had two goals on two shots, her first two shots of the year. Wagoner had two assists from her position in the midfield to earn her third and fourth points of the season. Koopman tallied the third Providence goal.

Senior tri-Captains Kathleen Szczeblewski and Christine Cameron and Mollie Costello suffered less serious injuries.

This win brings the Lady Friars award for her efforts and suddenly becomes a key addition to a struggling offense.

That's the good news. The bad news is that three key players for Providence were hurt in the contest. Senior tri-Captain Julie Fahey broke a finger while Christine Cameron and Mollie Costello suffered less serious injuries.

This win brings the Lady Friars

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Paula Wagoner's two assists helped propel the Friars to their first victory.