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Threads of Hope for AIDS

by Erin R. King '98
News Editor

"The experience of visiting the AIDS Quilt in Washington, D.C. was one of the most powerful of my life. Tens of thousands of statistics were in a moment given names, faces, and families seen by the panels of the quilt. AIDS is a battle which is killing millions, and the weapons that are fighting it are hope, love, and education...all



by Meg Stoltzfus

manifested by the NAMES Project of which we were lucky enough to be a part." -Margi Clifford '97

This past Columbus Day Weekend, on October 11-13, 1996, the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt was displayed on the National Mall in Washington D.C. Forty-four Providence College students, faculty, and staff volunteered at the Quilt under the aus-

pices of the Feinstein Institute For Public Service.

Rick Battistoni, Director of the Feinstein Institute, recalled last November's World AIDS Day, when a portion of the Quilt was displayed in '64 Hall. Soon after, he heard that other local colleges were chartering buses to go to Wash-

ington for the display of the entire Quilt. The wheels began turning for the PC trip; Service Learning Coordinator Meg Stoltzfus became involved, as well as Jessica Riker '99.

Riker worked on the logistics of the trip. "We started planning in the beginning of summer," she recalled. All the work finally paid off three weeks ago.

Most people who saw the Quilt in Washington have difficulty expressing the wide range of intense emotions they feel after the experience. [For the purposes of this article, I will do my best to recreate what people have said about the trip. I have noted that many times, sentences drift off before they are finished. I suggest that to get a better picture of what it was like

to be there, talk to one of the participants. You will find that when they are finally able to put their

there was a lot of gay pride at the display, and a lot of openness. "It was sad to come back to campus,"



by Hugh Lena

feelings into words, the resulting statements are wonderfully articulate. -Editor's Note]

Patrick McNiff, Service Learning Coordinator for the Feinstein Institute, remembers feeling every type of emotion when looking at the individual quilt panels. "[You are] unsure of what to feel...You are looking at people's lives, [and] there is a lot of joy in people's lives."

Stoltzfus agrees. "When you are looking at a single panel, you focus on one person's life. [Then you] look up and see thousands more."

A comment which reverberated throughout the group was how people seemed comfortable with themselves. Both McNiff and Brian Matthews '98 saw that people were not ashamed to be seen; Kathy Saad '97 noted that

she expressed.

"The numbers became individuals...each person had a mom, a dad, a brother, a sister, a lover..." Saad added.

One aspect of the weekend was the constant reading of names at the Quilt. There were five stages from which names were read by volunteers, many of whom had lost a loved one. When their shift was up, they would finish by adding that person's name to the list, prefacing it by stating their relationship.

Traci Okula '99 and Meg Stoltzfus both spoke of hearing the readers end with emotional statements like "...and my good friends...", "...and my lover of 15

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On-Campus Safety Measures Considered

by Tammy A. Ledoux '99
News Writer

Seven new emergency phones may be installed on-campus in an effort to better PC security measures. Director of Security Philip Reilly will shortly be submitting the proposal to Financial Services. The number of phones that actually show up on campus depends on the amount of money he receives. Two campus organizations, the Student Life Committee of Student Congress and Women Will, have also been working on issues concerning student safety.

Women Will's president, Kathy Saad '97, noticed that there are many areas on campus where there is no access to phones. Women Will recently surveyed the campus and mapped out areas that needed more lighting and phones. "It is

an unsafe situation. If you need a phone it is a matter of minutes before you can reach one," said Saad.

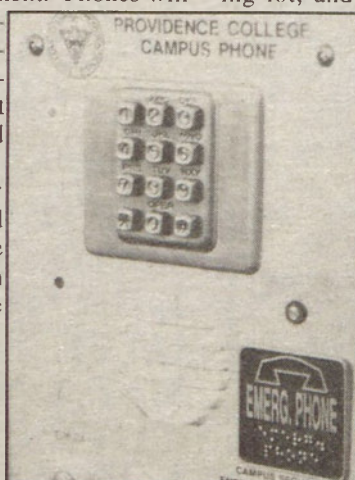
Last year, members of Women Will met with VP for Student Services, Fr. J. Stuart McPhail, O.P. to discuss campus safety issues. "We brought the issues to Fr. McPhail and we feel the issues were not addressed. Now we are trying to shoot big so that something might get done," said Saad. Women Will will soon be submitting a proposal to PC President Rev. Philip Smith, O.P. which will include their map. "I feel that he will be receptive to students' needs," commented Saad.

The Chairperson of the Student Life Committee, Justin Marsh '97 believes that more phones on campus will result in greater student safety. "One of my committee members met with Philip Reilly and expressed our concern. We are

working with them and the school is trying to free up funds for the security department. Phones will instill more confidence in students. Hopefully we can get it done," said Marsh.

The Security Department and the Student Life Committee both have definite ideas of where the proposed phones should be placed. There are several priority areas on campus where currently there are large open areas without any emergency phones. The first phones received will be placed on the Southeast

corner of Slavin between Slavin and McVinney; in Schneider parking lot; and in the Southwest area



by Marisa Jackson '00

of Dore, accessible to the apartments and Stuart's. If more phones are available, they will be installed on Grotto Lane between Feinstein and the apartments; near Albertus Magnus and Sowa; between Albertus Magnus and Harkins; and at the west end of Alumni and Slavin.

The phones that arrive will not resemble the current call boxes that are attached to many of the dorms and apartments on campus. The emer-

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City Year

Serve-A-Thon A Huge Success

by Matthew F. Stauff '00
News Writer

On Saturday, October 26, 1800 volunteers from throughout the region spent their day cleaning up 50 sites within Rhode Island. About 112 students were from PC.

This is the sixth year City Year has coordinated this extensive volunteer service. They incorporated groups of volunteers from compa-



by Matthew Stauff '00

Ryan Lawlor '98 spent the day with City Year

nies, universities, churches, non-profit organizations, and neighborhood groups. For Saturday's National City Year Serve-A-Thon Day, Rhode Island joined six other cities.

City Year is a private, non-profit organization which receives aid from the federal AmeriCorps program and from private donations. There are 80 year-round City Year members in Rhode Island. Their intention is to enlist young adults, from 17 to 23 years old, to commit to full time community service for one year.

PC students arrived at Station Park at 8:00 AM. They were served a free breakfast, turned in

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Class of '99 Update

by Mike Liard '99
Class of 1999 President

Well, we have reached the midpoint of the first semester of our Sophomore year. Hopefully, you have broken out of the dreaded "Sophomore Slump." If you haven't, here is some news that might brighten your day. Believe it or not, your class officers and I have chosen the Core Committee for our Junior Ring Weekend (JRW). Yes, we are already planning for next year! For three days, we interviewed 55 applicants from our class. And, we'd like to thank those 55 who applied for showing us that people do care about our class and want to get involved. Unfortunately, even though each was extremely qualified, we could only choose 13 people. The decision was not an easy one, and the officers deliberated for approximately five hours. Nonetheless, we feel we chose the best CORE for our class and stand behind our decision.

With that, here is **YOUR Class of '99 JRW CORE**: **Matt Toole** (Core Chair); **Kate Matula** (Publicity); **Liz Hackett** (Formal); **Adenrele Abiade** (Entertainment); **Lindsey Levesque** and **Craig Nicholson** (Special Events); **Adrienne Shelton** (Mass); **Bill Curtin** (Video); **Meghan Philbrick** (Ring Chair); **Rachel Watt** (Photo); **Renee Cormier**, **Maura Cignetti**, and **Chris Garrett** (Ring Committee). Congratulations to these CORE members! Also, because the President

of the Class and the Treasurer are automatic members of the CORE, **Marybeth McKeever** and I (**Mike Liard**) are proud to be part of the planning process.

In other class news, the Class of 1999 will be sponsoring a **BEATLES BASH** on **November 9th in Stuart's**. So clear your calendars and join in the fun as **Morgan's Tale** and **No More Kings** rock the house while covering Beatles' hits and performing some of their original works. **There is a \$3.00 cover charge** and alcohol will be served with a PC ID. Why head off campus when you can hear two of PC's great bands with some of your close friends? Remember, everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Come support the Class of '99 and the bands!

In addition, we will be selling **Class of 1999 Sweatshirts (\$40/Blue or Gray/all sizes)** once again in Lower Slavin. So, if you missed your opportunity last year, you get a second chance. After all, the weather is turning chilly and you need something to keep warm; besides you can help out your class fund in the process. Keep an eye out for more information and signs with times and dates in the very near future.

Well, we are keeping busy on our end; hopefully you are too. If you have any questions, please call any of your officers in the Student Congress Office at x2419. Thanks and have a great weekend. See you November 9th in Stuart's for the Beatles Bash.

Forensic Series at RWU

A series of programs—*free and open to the public*—on various forensics-related subjects, will be presented throughout the month of November in the Science and Math Building, Room 124, Roger Williams University, from 5 PM until 6 PM. The programs are as follows:

November 5—"Alternate Light Source in Criminal Investigation—The Polylight"—Speaker: Detective Pat Sperlongano, Cranston Police

November 19—"A Day in the Life of a Drug-Sniffing Canine"—Speaker: Sgt. Ed Conley, Warwick Police

November 26—"Operations in the DEA—South American Campaign"—Speaker: Special Agent Ray Mansolillo, Drug Enforcement

For more information, contact Gino Rebusini or Grayson Murphy at 254-3117.

Critically Acclaimed Author To Visit Area

Reading and booksigning at Brown Bookstore

A memoir as beautiful and enduring as the volcano itself. —San Francisco Chronicle

Hongo's book of origins is a work of beauty and consolation. —Los Angeles Times Book Review

On Friday, November 8, at 3:00 PM, the Brown University Bookstore and the Brown University Asian American Student Association present author Garrett Hongo, reading from his latest book, *Volcano: A Memoir of Hawai'i* (Vintage). A book signing will follow the reading.

At the age of six, Hongo's parents moved the family from Hawai'i to Los Angeles and painstakingly erased their son's island English and all their island memories. Part poet's memoir, part fam-

ily chronicle, *Volcano* follows Hongo's return to his childhood home in Hawai'i as he reclaims its landscape and recovers the past—both personal and collective.

Garrett Hongo is the author of several books of poetry and the editor of two collections of Asian American writing, *Under Western Eyes: Personal Essays from Asian America* and *The Open Boat: Poems from Asian America*. Former Director of the Program in Creative Writing at the University of Oregon, he lives in Eugene, Oregon.

This event is free and open to the public. For further information, please contact the Brown University Bookstore, (401) 863-3168

1996 Law School Forums Visit Boston

The 1996 Law School Forum, a free law school recruitment program sponsored by the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) and participating law schools, is coming to Boston this fall. More than 110 law schools from across the country will be represented at the Boston forum at the Marriott Copley Place, 110 Huntington Avenue, on Friday, November 1 from noon–7 pm and Saturday, November 2, from 10am–4pm.

Every year, thousands of prospective law students take advantage of this program as an opportunity to do some one-stop shopping for the right law school. At the forum, students are encouraged to talk with law school representatives about what their law schools have to offer. They can ask about specific admission criteria and get firsthand advice. Students can pick up admission materials, including catalogs and application forms.

Students are encouraged to attend information sessions presented by a live panel of experts on the admission process, financial aid, and issues of importance to minority applicants. Videos covering everything you need to know from how to apply to law school to what you can do with a law degree will be shown throughout the weekend. Students may also purchase LSAC publications, including LSAT preparation materials.

The Law School Forums are held every year in Atlanta, Chicago, Houston, Boston, Los Angeles, New York, and Washington, DC. For more information on the forums, call (215) 968-1001 or visit <http://www.lsac.org> on the Internet.

PC Dance Company To Perform

The Providence College Dance Company will present its Fall Concert on Saturday, November 2 at 8 PM, and Sunday, November 3 at 2 PM in '64 Hall on the PC campus. The performance will include works by faculty and students in modern and jazz styles.

Music and Theater faculty will collaborate on one of the works, entitled "Scenes from Provence." Faculty member Wendy Oliver has choreographed a dance based on Frenchwoman Paule Maurice's music: a duet for saxophone and piano, which will be performed by music faculty Chris Kelton and Marina Zabinski. The work has five sections, each a vignette reminiscent of some aspect of Provence, in the south of France.

There are also five student choreographers whose work will

be shown: Kimberly Errato, Gretchen Hummrich, Jamie Magnani, Kaitlyn O'Brien, and Nicole Pelaggi-Dyer. Their dances will use the music of Rusted Root, Prince, Janet Jackson, Geoffrey Oryema, and Jewel. The performance is free and open to the public.

Congratulations to the 1996-97 Kappa Delta Pi Officers!

President: Kim Caloura

Vice President: Michele McQuiston

Secretary: Jessica Fiedler

Treasurer: Patty Whelan

Historian: Tracy Tesoriero

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD, WILL BE THE LAST DATE TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS UNTIL SPRING 1997! SO GET INVOLVED!

New Exhibits and Current Exhibit Listings at Brown University's Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology in Bristol, RI

African Worlds, African Art: The William W. Brill Collection

The large gift of African art that collector William W. Brill has donated to the Haffenreffer Museum has made the Museum one of the largest repositories of African art and artifacts in New England. African Worlds, African Art underscores aesthetics and symbolism in African art, from simple household utensils to sacred sculpture. The exhibit is alive with the spirit of people who created the objects.

Ongoing Exhibits

Passionate Hobby: Rudolph F. Haffenreffer and the King Philip Museum

Highlights include masterpieces of Native American art from the collections of the Museum's founder Rudolph Haffenreffer and his life

and appreciation of Native People's art, culture and history. From Hopi and Laguna pottery to Apache storage baskets and exquisite beaded moccasins from the Plains, this exhibit is a feast for the eyes and a celebration of our great Native American heritage.

The Cashinahua of Tropical Forest Peru

Through March 1997

The Cashinahua are an indigenous people of the rain forest region in Peru and this exhibit explores the dramatic changes in their lifeways. Anthropologist Kenneth Kensinger has been studying the Cashinahua for over forty years, and has collected Cashinahua artifacts for the Haffenreffer Museum. Artifacts include beautiful feather headdresses, toys, pottery, weapons and weaving.

A Message From Step I...

Self-respect comes from positive choices, effective decisions, and healthy behaviors. Only you can rob yourself of self-respect.

A message from Step I...because we care.

Upcoming Step I Presentations:

Nov. 6—Dore Hall

Acquaintance Rape and Self-Esteem

Nov. 7—Fennell Hall

An Interactive Workshop: Another Night Out

Come join us in discussion about these issues that affect all students... We want to hear from you See you there!

Curriculum Review Tackles DWC

by Kristina Newman '99
News Writer

After almost two years of meetings, open forums, and endless reports, The Curriculum Review Steering Committee (CRSC) has submitted its proposal to the Faculty Senate for debate. Dr. Hugh Lena of the Sociology Department and Sister Ann Stankiewicz of the Philosophy Department, co-chairs of the CRSC, finished their review of PC's curriculum in September. According to Dr. Lena, the "integrated proposal" will be debated in the Faculty Senate before a final draft is submitted to College President Rev. Philip A. Smith, O.P. for consideration.

Last Wednesday, on October 24, the Senate held its first debate on the proposal. The discussion focused on the changes the report suggests for the Development of Western Civilization Program, commonly known as "Civ." The CRSC recommends reducing the number of hours for Civ from five per week to four. Therefore, Western Civ would be composed of sixteen credit hours over the four semesters that students are required to take Civ. The Senate offered three amendments to this proposal. The first would keep Civ at five hours each semester for freshmen and sophomores. The second amendment suggests that Civ be reduced to nine hours. Under this amendment, first semester freshmen would take a freshman seminar that "develops basic reading, writing, analytic skills appropriate for any academic work and uses co-curricular activities to achieve these ends as well as build a sense of college learning and community." In the second semester, as well as for the whole sophomore year, students would take three hours of Civ each semester. The third amendment recommends eighteen semester hours of Western Civ. In this draft, "students would take this course beginning the second semester of the first year, for three semesters, at five

credit hours per semester, meeting five days per week. Students also take a capstone course in DWC during their senior year, for three credit hours, meeting three days per week." This amendment is endorsed by Student Congress. The debate on DWC will be continued during future Faculty Senate meetings. Although there have been questions raised over which students should be allowed to speak at the meetings, Dr. Lena said that outside commentary on the CRSC report is invited and the meetings are open to all who wish to attend. They are held each Wednesday at 2:45 PM in Moore Hall.

Although the Faculty Senate is concerned with the proposed changes to the DWC program right now, the Senate will be debating the other reports for a new curriculum set forth by the CRSC in the next few months. The Fine Arts requirement would remain at three semester hours. The mathematics requirement would now be called the Quantitative Analysis Requirement and the student would be required to take three semester hours of a math course or a quantitative course. The Social Science requirement consists of six semester hours, and the theology and philosophy core would be six hours as well. Twelve semester hours of Liberal Arts Electives would be mandatory.

In addition to changes in the core requirements, the CRSC recommends that a five course curriculum for all four years be instituted. The report states, "A five course curriculum better insures the academic rigor our current students can handle and it provides more flexibility in students' academic programs. The CRSC also proposes that each major has a capstone experience which "integrates learning in the major with advanced levels of liberal learning experiences in critical thinking, abstract reasoning, and problem-solving and effective communication."

Residence Life Resignations RAs frustrated over recent resignations in the Apartment Complex

by Colleen E. Pappas '99
Asst. News Editor

For the Office of Residence Life, this year has been one filled with unforeseen problems and a significant number of resignations.

Overseeing the aspects of student life which concerns the on-campus residents, room assignments, safety and social growth, the Office of Residence Life has a major role and responsibility to the PC community.

This year the Office of Residence Life has been faced not only with the resignation of three on-campus apartment resident assistants, but also with last week's resignation of Apartment Complex Director Christine Goyette.

Therefore, any problems that arise within the ranks of the Office of Residence Life will affect, in some way, those students who live in either the traditional residence halls or the on-campus apartments.

This year, the Office of Residence Life has been faced not only with the resignation of three on-campus apartment resident assistants, but also with last week's resignation of Apartment Complex Director, Christine Goyette.

Aside from Goyette's resignation last week on October 22nd at the weekly Apartment Complex staff meeting, there are many rumors of strong tensions between the administrators in the Office of Residence Life and the resident assistants here on campus.

With last week's announcement, Goyette has become the second Hall Director to resign in the past six months; Goyette's resignation follows that of Debbie Abramowski, who last spring resigned as Director of Raymond Hall.

Goyette, who had been employed by Providence College for more than four years, was unable at this time to comment on the circumstances that led up to her resignation.

While Dr. Leonard Roberts, Executive Director of Residence Life, also declined to comment on the events surrounding Goyette's resignation, he remarked that the position of Hall Director, "is definitely a difficult one which requires a person to balance their professional and personal life," and also requires one to be on campus twenty-four hours a day.

Another member of the Residence Life staff to resign last week was Dawn Giarrusso '97, the Head Resident Assistant of the

out the one professional staff member who was always there for me."

Added Giarrusso, "Christine Goyette was an asset to the Office of Residence Life and Providence College has suffered a great loss."

Giarrusso expressed her opinions on the actions of Roberts during the October 22nd meeting.

According to Giarrusso, "I don't think he [Dr. Roberts] needed to be there because he completely escalated the situation."

"A college official," explained Giarrusso, "should never treat students with the disrespect that we [the apartment staff] received and I was appalled that a respected figure of this institution would behave in such a childish and unprofessional manner."

Giarrusso also confirmed many of the rumors that had been circulating concerning the actions of Roberts at the October 22nd meeting. Many RA's have echoed Giarrusso's frustrations, but wish to remain anonymous.

According to these sources, Roberts entered the meeting unexpectedly, and proceeded to yell at the RA's present. These sources also claim that at one point, Roberts said, "This is not a family, this is an organization."

After this comment and other actions by Roberts, according to Giarrusso, "We [the RA's who were present] got up and walked out in disgust."

When questioned about the events of the meeting last Tuesday, Roberts remarked, "It wouldn't be fair to me to talk about what was discussed at the meeting and how people were feeling."

Roberts expressed that those present at the meeting were reacting to the fact that the, "Apartment Complex director did announce her resignation and people did have strong feelings about that."

However, many RA's confided that their frustrations stem not

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Third Party Candidate Visits Providence What he's all about... ...one student's view

(NSNS)—For many Americans disillusioned by electoral politics and fed up with corporate domination, there is still hope. His name is Ralph Nader.

America's leading consumer advocate has stepped into the big ring to challenge a long-standing tradition of big-party, big-money politics.

Nader is running as the Green Party candidate for president this year. The Greens are conventionally associated with a platform of environmental activism and social justice, and members are hoping the Nader candidacy will secure their recognition as an official party on state ballots nationwide.

"Nader allowed us to get people to register Green, people who had given up on electoral politics," declared John Selawsky, a member of the Green Party of Alameda County in California.

Nader is bringing the struggle for campaign finance reform to the forefront of American politics by the example of his "no-money-in-politics" campaign.

Nader has promised to spend under \$5,000 on his campaign and has not campaigned beyond giving scattered interviews. He refuses to address any social issues which are not directly correlated to the restructuring of

American democracy.

The Green Party proposes that civic power is the key to rebuilding American democracy.

"Somehow we have to get beyond the belief that voting every two to four years is a democracy when it is essentially only pulling a lever," Selawsky remarked. "What we need is discussion and debate. I am not saying this is easy in people's lives, but it is essential to move back into democracy."

Selawsky also called for the Left to get involved in the political debate over American values.

"It is important for the Left and the Green Party especially, and anyone with a conscience, to start redefining morality. We cannot leave it up to the Right Wing to define morality as we have done in the past," Selawsky said.

The Green Party wants to apply its concept of civic power to the education system by providing children with a civic and consumer-based curriculum while providing multi-cultural learning.

Selawsky explained that under



by Venessa Anderson '99

Ralph Nader, a THIRD PARTY CANDIDATE

Green Party reforms, the American education system ideally would reflect a European-style democracy in which education from pre-school to college is paid for by the government.

by Venessa Anderson '99
Asst. A&E Editor

Some of you may be asking, "President of What?" Believe it or not, there are presidential candidates other than Bob Dole and Bill Clinton. Ralph Nader, the Green Party's candidate for president, held a press conference at the State House to address his party's issues to the state of Rhode Island on Tuesday, October 29th.

Nader, like the other presidential candidates, is touring the country soliciting votes. He is upset with how the political system works and how it has come to the point where people now have to vote for the lesser of two evils. "There has never been a Democratic and Republican candidate who are so similar," explained Nader. He is offering voters an alternative.

Nader, similar to other Green Party members, believes that it is becoming increasingly difficult to distinguish between the parties. He believes Clinton is playing "po-

litical protective imitation. Clinton is copying Republican ideas and making decisions more conservatively, forcing the other party more to the right wing. Clinton is only getting votes because he says, 'Well, at least I'm not Newt Gingrich!'"

Nader thinks that it is, "Time to give people another choice. We want to help build a progressive political party for the future."

He also added, "What will voting for a third party effect? By voting for a third party, you will effect one of the parties and break some of the power."

The concern that our politicians are getting too much power was apparent in Nader's speech. He firmly believes that, "Every time our society has allowed too much power to too few, it has gotten out of control." If the Green Party gets five percent of the votes in Rhode Island, the party will be put on the ballot permanently.

Nader concluded by asking people to vote for the Green Party because the "Rise of a third party will make Clinton become a Democrat as we once knew the word Democrat to mean."

Freshman Parents Weekend Schedule

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

9:30 a.m.- 10:30 a.m.
Registration and ticket pick-up
PETERSON CENTER LOBBY

10:30 a.m.- 11:45 a.m.
Providence College's ranking of #2 in the North by U.S. News & World Report reflects the collaborative effort made by all members of the PC community to create an environment in which students can flourish. Dr. Thomas Canavan, Vice President for Academic Administration, addresses how Academic Affairs and Student Affairs are intrinsically linked and working together to develop students intellectually, spiritually, emotionally, and socially.
ALUMNI HALL GYMNASIUM

12 noon- 3:30 p.m.
The Summer Olympics brought glory to the sport of swimming... Stop by the Taylor Natatorium in Peterson Center to see PC's future Olympians compete against the men's and women's swim teams of Central Connecticut State University.

The Center for Teaching Excellence offers two informative panel opportunities from which you can choose:

1:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.
"Changing College Classrooms" A panel of faculty members discuss new settings for learning, including the community, cyberspace and the conventional classroom.

2:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.
"Strategies for Enhancing Learning: Specific Techniques for Active Learning" Faculty members present their strategies designed to enhance the learning process.

BOTH SESSIONS HELD IN THE FEINSTEIN ACADEMIC CENTER, 4TH FLOOR, FUNCTION ROOM

1:30 p.m.- 2:30 p.m.
"The Western Civilization Experi-

ence" several multi-media presentations
SESSIONS HELD IN MOORE HALL

12 noon- 2:00 p.m.
PC Clubs and Organizations Fair in Food Court
LOWER LEVEL, SLAVIN CENTER

5:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.
Rhode Island Clamboat
Experience Rhode Island's cherished ocean fare by sampling quahogs, chowder, lobster*, mussels...Add to that corn on the cob, barbecue chicken, and watermelon for a true New England culinary delight!
JOIN US FOR MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT IN THE PETERSON CENTER.
*extra charge applies

8:00 p.m.- midnight
An evening of Jazz...
AT STUART'S, BEDFORD HALL

Rhode Island, home of the Newport Jazz Festival, features outstanding local musicians who will be here to provide entertainment for you. Come and listen to their music! Specialty coffees and cheesecake served.
Admission \$3.00 at the door.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

11:00 a.m.
Rev. Philip A. Smith, O.P., principal celebrant and homilist at Mass celebrated by the Dominican community.

12:15 p.m.
A sumptuous brunch will prepare you for the trip home...at THE PETERSON CENTER

2:00 p.m.
Dance Concert
Delight in the movement of dance as the PC Dance Company presents original works choreographed by students and faculty.

'64 HALL, SLAVIN CENTER

9:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
Trinity Repertory Theater and Providence Tour (Side Trip Option)
Take a trolley ride to tour Providence's new Riverwalk Park area, guided by a staff member of the nationally acclaimed Trinity Repertory Theater. Enjoy lunch at the Trinity Brewhouse, before taking your reserved seat at the matinee performance of A.R. Gurney's "Sylvia," the Off-Broadway smash hit of 1995!
Limited Seating; \$39.00 per person, all inclusive.
(For your convenience, an on-campus Mass will be celebrated at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday.)

CELEBRATE THE ARTS!

Providence College's 10-day Fall Arts Festival will be in full swing...
SATURDAY

2:00 p.m.
Providence College Student and Faculty Music Recital
'64 HALL, SLAVIN CENTER

8:00 p.m.
"Fiddler on the Roof"
Award-winning musical follows the life of a Jewish peasant family in Czarist Russia. Tickets extremely limited; order early!
BLACKFRIARS THEATER

8:00 p.m.
(2:00 p.m. Sunday)
Dance Concert
Delight in the movement of dance as the PC Dancers present their original works.
'64 HALL, SLAVIN CENTER

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
11:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
Festival Exhibit- Ida Schmulowitz: Landscape Painting
HUNT CAVANAGH ART GALLERY, LOWER CAMPUS

The Alumni Shadowing Program is Back!

by Amy Fanning '98
Career Assistant

What's it like to be a stockbroker, doctor, attorney, or social worker? Find out by participating in this year's Alumni Shadowing Program. You can spend one or two days of your Winter Break with a Providence College alumnus in a career field that interests you! This is your chance to get a taste of the real world and have fun at the same time. Opportunities are available with alumni in a variety of careers, so you're bound to learn some new and exciting things.

Now in its eighth year, the PC Alumni Shadowing Program is sponsored by the Career Planning and Internship Service, a division of the Student Development Center. This popular program is coordinated by Debra Santostefano, Assistant Director, and Kelly Kochis, Career Technology Coordinator/Counselor. Each year, the program grows in interest with both students and alumni. Last year there were 126 alumni volunteers of whom 85 were selected by 101 students, resulting in 135 Shadowing matches. Many alumni hosted more than one student, and some students elected to shadow more than one alumnus. One student from the Class of 1996 was even offered a full-time position as a result of his shadowing experience.

Students who take advantage of the program are provided the opportunity to observe PC alumni for

a day or more in the workplace, make valuable contacts, and obtain information about their careers of interest. A sample of this years opportunities include alumni in law, government, medicine, optometry, social work, education, guidance, pharmacy, insurance, banking, advertising, marketing, human resources, sales, and art administration to name a few!

So, no more excuses. There are opportunities available for you in many locations, some as far away as Minnesota and Missouri. This is your chance to take advantage of one of the most valuable programs here at PC. As a former participant, I have first hand knowledge of what a great learning experience this is. By shadowing both a Human Resource Director and a College Counselor, I gained a deeper understanding of these two professions while at the same time identifying the pros and cons of each with regard to my career decisions.

The Shadowing Program is definitely a great tool to use along that rocky road of the career planning process. So give yourself a gift to remember this Christmas, an application.

The deadline for the Shadowing Program application is November 18, but applications will be processed and opportunities filled on a rolling basis, beginning November 11. Interested students must attend one of these 30-minute information sessions [see below] in order to participate.

Friday, November 1 at 1:30 in Slavin 112
Monday, November 4 at 3:30 in Slavin 112
Tuesday, November 5 at 4:00 in Slavin 112
Tuesday, November 5 at 6:30 in Stuart's
Wednesday, November 6 at 4:30 in Slavin 105
Thursday, November 7 at 1:00 in Slavin 112
Thursday, November 7 at 2:30 in Slavin 112

Problems Within Residence Life

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from Goyette's resignation, but rather from their ongoing interactions with the Central Office of Residence Life that they do not feel is supportive.

Roberts also added that strong reactions would be expected from Goyette's announcement since she was well-liked by those who worked under her.

When questioned about the events of the meeting, specifically his own actions, Roberts remarked, "I have to say that I cannot respond to rumors upon the fact that what was discussed in the

closed meeting was between the residence life staff and it would be totally unfair for me to comment on what the Apartment Complex Director said at that time, so I really can't go into those details."

Roberts added, "It's not like I'm trying to deny anything, but it is not fair to me to talk about what people said at the meeting."

In the midst of these tensions, the Office of Residence Life is currently undertaking the search to fill Goyette's position as well as the two remaining positions.

According to Roberts the search for a new Apartment Com-

plex Director will begin internally, with the hopes that a replacement will be found within the PC Community.

Until a replacement is found, Roberts and Dennis DelGizzo, Associate Director of Residence Life will be acting in the place of Goyette, taking on her daily responsibilities themselves.

The need to fill the two vacant positions will also begin within the Residence Life staff. Roberts explained that while seniors would be desired to fill these positions, underclassmen will be considered for the positions should the need

arise.

Roberts also added that because the responsibilities of an RA in the apartments differs from those required of an RA in a traditional residence hall, the office of Residence Life will not be as restricted when filling the current vacancies.

For example, Residence Life does not necessarily need to fill the positions with RA's of the same gender as those who have resigned, and the replacement RA's may not have to reside in the same apartments as the former RA's either.

As in the search for a new

Apartment Complex Director, the Office of Residence Life hopes to fill all of these vacancies as soon as possible.

In response to the reflection that these resignations, though unrelated, may have on the image of the Residence Life Office, Roberts remarked, "We are a caring organization, but things often change in that some people come and others leave."

Continued Roberts, "It is unfortunate that people have decided to leave but it will not deny us the opportunity to grow and change."

PC To Begin The Self-Study Process

by Jessica Cotrone '99
Asst. News Editor

Beginning in November, Providence College will be doing a study of all its services in conjunction with the scheduled accreditation of the college in the Fall of '97.

The Self Study Steering Committee, co-chaired by Carol Hartley and Fr. Terrence Keegan, O.P., will distribute surveys to all students in order to discern the effectiveness of its academic programs and student services.

Every ten years the College is

accredited by the National Association of Schools and Colleges. In preparation for their accreditation, PC wants to "study itself" so they can be at the highest level of academic and social quality. They are also studying other aspects of the school which can be improved, one aspect being the curriculum.

The survey provides the school with the opportunity to identify its strengths and weaknesses, and change any problems which might be addressed in the responses. If the Committee becomes aware of problems, they want to be able to take care of them immediately or fit them into their long range plan.

A similar survey was given when the school was contemplating changing Food Services. The survey resulted in "creating positive changes and improvements" as Hartley explained, and the Self Study Steering Committee feels they can also make changes to improve the environment of the college.

"It is vitally important," explained Carol Hartley, "that every student participate. It is the only way improvement will be made."

All students will be given the one-hundred plus question survey. Residence Hall occupants will have a floor meeting in which the

RA will distribute the survey. These will be returned to the Hall Director. Off-Campus residents will be given the survey by their professors and asked to return them to Slavin Information or the Library Circulation Desk.

The survey given is common to many institutions. However, there are many questions added which concern life at PC. These are located on the back of the letter which accompanies the survey, and students are asked not to be ignore them.

"We want the students to take their time when filling out the surveys," Hartley commented. "This

will have an impact on their lives, so we want them to answer thoughtfully and carefully."

As an added bonus, each student is asked to return the letter they receive and put their name and phone number on it. One name will be picked at random from both on- and off-campus residents, and those students will be awarded \$100 each. Also, the Residence hall with the most returned surveys will receive bonus funding in the social programming.

All students are asked to please return the survey at the designated spots before November 12, 1997.

"Black Is...Black Ain't"

by Sarah Antonello '98
Features Writer

On Wednesday, October 30, the Black Studies Program presented *Black Is...Black Ain't, A Documentary* by Marlon Riggs. The film is "a personal journey through black identity." Issues such as language, conception of "looking black," the power of silence, black masculinity, and black homosexuality are brought up and creatively intertwined throughout the documentary.

Moore Hall was filled near to capacity with students, faculty, and members of the Providence community. The film lasted 90 minutes and a discussion, led by Susan Pires '98 and Alda Farlow '98, followed.

The documentary was made in memory of Marlon Riggs who died of AIDS in 1994. Marlon Riggs is remembered and honored in the film as "challenging racism and homophobia." The issue of being black and being homosexual is raised throughout the film. Black religious institutions that accept black homosexuality are contrasted with those who do not. Leaders who advocate equal rights for black members of society, but not for gays are brought up against those who strive for equality for everyone. The documentary brings to attention the struggle of a man not only fighting racism, but

homophobia as well.

The documentary deals with the issue of finding identity as a black person in America. Black masculinity and a black man's struggle for power is reflected in the abuse and degradation of black women.

Throughout the Black Movement, males have been struggling for rights and power. Masculinity has been admired and black men have tried to use it to gain power in their struggle against racism. The film shows that black leaders like Louis Farrakhan have been blatantly sexist in their speeches against racism in this country. The documentary brings to the surface the struggle of black women who are striving for equality in their own race as well as the society in which they live.

The film presents the issue of what people in America consider to be black culture. Middle-class black Americans in the documentary state that they are just as black as anyone else, but lower class black people accuse them of "becoming white." Blacks who do not dress in African costume feel they are as dedicated to their historic background as those who change their names to reflect their African heritage. The film, however, shows that other black Americans feel differently. The issue of who is more black and who is more white within the

black community is prominent in society and reflected in the documentary.

The documentary begins in a search to find identity for blacks in America. It concludes open-ended, with the realization that, "You take some color and you blend it with an assortment of physical features that reflect every face you might possibly encounter on this great earth, and mix that up with the culture that just loves to improvise, signify, replay, renew...and you've got the recipe for black culture."

The discussion that followed the film was filled with various responses to what was portrayed in the documentary. The main theme of the discussion revolved around the idea of the separations within the black community. Pires described this separation as "racism within your own race," in reference to "black people [looking] at each other as light-skinned, dark-skinned, African, or African-American."

Many students stated the importance of unity inside the black community, including Kilah Walters '99. "If we move around as a group instead of individuals, we are going to go somewhere...If we don't act like a group of people instead of individuals, we can't spread what we are trying to spread, or even learn about ourselves."

The relationship between the black community and white com-

munity was discussed, with reference to the relationship here on campus. Students emphasized the importance of understanding each other's cultures, and according to Kiesha Benjamin '99, this will take time.

Ian Holder '99 discussed the need for students to make the effort to understand people that are different from themselves. "Make a conscious effort to know people that are not like you." Acceptance needs to be reached. "I think that was a whole part of coming to college."

Black Is...Black Ain't and the discussion that followed allowed members of PC and the Providence Community to explore the issue of black identity and what it means to be a black American. Values were shared and opinions examined, and in the hopes of Pires and Farlow and the Black Studies Program, Marlon Riggs' goal of opening minds was reached.

The Black Studies Program is sponsoring a Forum on cross-racial adoption entitled, "Black Child, White Parent," on Wednesday, Nov. 6 at 7:00 pm in '64 Hall.

The Black Studies Program is also presenting the film "A. Philip Randolph," about the man behind the March on Washington in 1963. This will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 7 pm in Moore Hall III.

City Year

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their pledges, and the City Year members led them in calisthenics.

House Representative Patrick Kennedy and Democratic Senate candidate Jack Reed then gave speeches to the crowd. After this, the volunteers were given their assignments.

Kate Antonucci '00 participated with her floor from Aquinas Hall. They were assigned to the Woonsocket Health Care Center, where she said 70% of the people live below the poverty line. They spent their time planting bulbs, painting, and cleaning parking lots.

"The greatest part of the day is that we were able to see the results of our work," commented Antonucci. "We were able to see we made a difference. We saw how much the people appreciated the work we did for the community."

Another large group from PC was from Urban Action. Every month they find a part of the city which they try to improve. This month they chose to give their efforts over to City Year. They were assigned to the Epiphany Center in South Providence, where they were given the task of cleaning the soup kitchen, cleaning a storage closet, planting a hedgerow, and cleaning an abandoned yard across the street.

"It felt good to help the community," said Lauren O'Hare '00. "When we were clearing the yard there were some kids playing kickball across the street. It felt good to know we were making their environment safer to play in."

Ryan Lawlor '98, one of the Urban Action leaders, said: "The work we did was good. I just wish there was more, but I know it was appreciated."

Anthony Serro '00, went with his English class to St. Martin de Porres Senior Center in North Providence. There they cleaned various rooms and raked leaves.

"It felt good to help people who are not living directly within the PC community," he said.

Best Buddies, another on-campus organization, sent fifteen students along with their buddies, to take part in the service. They were assigned to paint a fence at a cemetery. "It was great when we were at Station Park, just seeing all the different people," commented Suzy St. Laurent '97. "The buddies got a lot out of it."

Luke McFadden '97, the Student Congress member who coordinated the event for PC, said PC was the second largest school represented and the fifth largest single body group there. "It was a great experience," McFadden said. "I really look forward to doing it again."

The Faces Of AIDS...

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years..." or "...and my son..."

Amy Peltier '97 and Ann Gawle '98 were both able to participate in the name reading in a unique way; by signing the names for the hearing impaired. Gawle recalled standing on the stage next to the reader. "Just to see them get tears in their eyes as they said the names..." Liza Pappas '98 shared that it was "very comforting to have professors and fellow students there with me."

Stoltzfus felt that education is what the Quilt is all about. "It is a monstrous effort to move the Quilt around, all for educating [people]," she said.

Gawle attended several events which were focused on AIDS education and awareness. There was the Wellness Pavilion, hosted by

Stadtlanders Pharmacy. Also, for part of the time, a stage was dedicated to educating the children visiting the Quilt.

The Feinstein Institute is planning to continue the fight against AIDS by actually making a panel for the Quilt. Also, a class to be team-taught by Dr. Battistoni and Dr. Hugh Lena next semester, entitled "The Politics of Risk: AIDS Community Public Policy" (PSP 490) will deal with issues associated with the epidemic. For more information, contact the Institute at 865-2786.

• There are 41 chapters of the NAMES Project in the United States, including the Rhode Island chapter in Newport.

• The following 35 countries have chapters of the NAMES Project: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Denmark, France, Germany, Guate-



by Kathy Saad '97

A view of the NAMES Project Memorial Quilt

mala, Hong Kong Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Northern Ireland, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Peru, Romania, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Suriname, Swe-

den, Switzerland, Taiwan, Thailand, Trinidad, United States, Uganda, Scotland, and Zambia.

Security Issues Being Addressed

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agency phones stand tall and upright. There is a blue security light on the top of every phone. It is constantly lit so that the phones are easily recognized. When the phone is in use the light flashes. There will be security cameras monitoring all the phones. The phone/camera package is very expensive. Each phone will cost about \$2000 and the accompanying cameras about \$2500. These prices do not include the cost of installation.

Currently there are two security cameras in the Schneider parking lot. "Last year there was a number of vandalized vehicles. We

have not had a vandalized vehicle in the Schneider area this year. The cameras are working well," said Reilly.

Another change in security this year is the implementation of bike patrols for quick security response to any problems that may occur. There are three security officers on the bikes every night and by next year Reilly hopes to add three more. "I think security is doing a good job. The increased patrols and bikes have helped a lot," commented Marsh.

Another security issue that PC Security, Student Life, and Women Will is concerned with is lighting on campus. "Lower cam-

pus is incredibly dark and the upper campus Grotto area is also very dark. The lighting on campus could be better," commented Saad. According to Reilly some of the problems with the lighting are just technical and have already been corrected by physical plant. He stressed that security is checking on the lighting constantly. "There are probably a few areas that need more light on campus. The Guzman Hall area could use better lighting." Reilly urged students to contact security if they feel there is any problems with security measures. "If anyone thinks there is a lighting hazard — let us know," remarked Reilly.

Marsh and the Student Life Committee were first confronted with the lighting problem when a female student approached them about it. Currently they are working to create a proposal of sites where they believe lighting to be less than adequate. Student Life hopes to meet with McPhail in the future to discuss their proposal. "We are looking into it and will hopefully get the proposal accomplished, but we have to be realistic too. There are a limited amount of funds available," noted Marsh.

With the absence of proper lighting and emergency phones, what is the average PC student supposed to do when wishing to

get from one place to another, especially in the dark? The escort system is available every night except Friday. Escorts are in the library until 1:00 a.m. and in Slavin and the female dorms until 12:30 a.m. But, a problem arises if an escort is not to be found or if it is after hours. Reilly has a solution to the problem. "Anybody that needs an escort, security will escort them. Just call Security and we'll go."

IN OUR OPINION...

Shuttle to the Future

Providence College has a great resource in the P.C. shuttle service. Unfortunately, this resource needs work in order to be more useful and accessible to students. We do not wish to diminish the importance of the service, nor do we wish to criticize the honest efforts of the shuttle drivers. We believe, however, that certain concrete adjustments can be made - both administratively and functionally - which will alleviate problems that have plagued the system.

First, the emphasis on the route of the shuttle and its times of departure conflict with the way it is executed. The shuttle does not adhere to its own rigid schedule. We recognize the need for an ordered schedule, but students often find themselves guessing as to when the shuttle might "pass by." To address this problem, and keep within the need for a solid framework, the service should consider creating visible "shuttle stops," with reliable stop times. This way, students would know where and when to wait.

Having addressed the need for reliability in the service, we are also aware of the need for flexibility on a small campus such as ours. Currently, the service lauds its schedule and prefers that students rely on it. However, drivers are forced to balance requests by students while at the same time adhering to this implacable schedule. As we feel it is necessary to accommodate requests by students, we suggest that the service consider a request system. The system could deal strictly with phone requests (possibly taken by a student worker, thus minimizing cost) and relay the request to the driver via radio. This request shuttle would work best, independent of the scheduled shuttle, so that the driver could have the flexibility needed to accommodate requests. This security service would be especially beneficial to those walking home at night. We realize this is not a taxi service, but at the same time students need to feel secure.

Therefore, the ideal solution would be the utilization of two shuttles: one scheduled shuttle and one reserved for requests. If the service feels it would be impractical to run two shuttles, it must at least consider the advantages of both and devise a compromise. The current system is ambivalent, trying to maintain a schedule, but unable to keep it without hurting its flexibility. The implementation of a request system would benefit everyone, and allow the service to help students more efficiently.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A CLASS ACT IN NEW YORK

To the Editor:

It is a well known fact that a large percent of Red Sox fans have a common strife, and in some cases go so far to say that they even "loathe" the New York Yankees. This bitterness obviously stems from their gruesome divisional rivalry, but the agony suffered by all Red Sox fans in 1986 when the Sox couldn't close out the series against the Mets may have something to do with the sour hatred as well. I have a great deal of sympathy for those fans, having come so far and not being able to take that last step toward a championship, and I was beginning to think that I too would have to experience that same pain and frustration after the Yankees trailed the Braves two games to zero. Let's drop the Boston talk and face the facts though, "Yankee Magic" presented itself in game three, and like the famous antics of Houdini, they showed no signs of being defeated. My own die hard Yankee faith was ignited following this game, at a time when the reality of a two game deficit going onto the road was just beginning to set in. Many fans, including myself were just hoping that the Yankees could

bring this series back to New York and make it go seven, but those determined Bronx Bombers defied all odds and conquered four straight games en route to a Championship that I am sure still remains fresh in all Yankee fan's minds!

In my entire life, I have never seen a Yankee team with such cohesiveness, determination, and grittiness as this Yankee team of 1996. Labeled by many as the "comeback kids," they truly personified a "baseball team"; led by no single star, but carried by all. It was a historic series, with implications beyond just winning the game as evident in the sentimental attitude of Yankee fans alike wanting to "Win this one for Frank Torre," brother of Yankee manager Joe Torre, who recently received a much needed heart transplant. Even a Braves fan couldn't argue that the emotion of this series flowed beyond that of just baseball, and part of the Yankee success in this series had to do with that strong emotion!

I wish not to gloat in the thrill of victory in this article, nor do I intend to insult the already angered Red Sox fans, I simply want to rec-

ognize the "class act" World Championship team that New York can once again claim to possess. These guys could have very easily bashed the press or relished in such slogans as, "I told you so," after the harassment they received by the press when they lost their first two home games, but they didn't. The Yankees displayed maturity, professionalism, and sportsmanship after the victory, all qualities not too well known in New York! Even George Steinbrenner had some kind winds to exhibit, even though in the back of his mind he was probably planning out his next trade for tomorrow!

Sure, some might say that the "Yanks" got lucky in 1996 or they are a bum team with a bunch of individual money-hogs, but I picture an analogous definition of the Yankees. I see a quality ball club that was determined and scrappy, a ball club that came together as a team when it counted, a ball club that deserves a pat on the back for putting up with all that Yankee criticism, and most of all, a ball club that truly deserves the title, "World Champions!"

John Noonan '99

PC AND THE POLICE

To the Editor:

Tamara Farrell's article on the police situation in the Providence College area is, as I see the situation, very much off base. In the two years and two months I have attended this college, I have been to many parties. For reasons I do not want to go into now, but that many who know me are aware of, I have been sober at every one of these parties. Now, obviously, I have been at numerous parties that police have broken up due to noise disturbances and never during one of these incidents have I witnessed a PC student attempt or even come close to attempting to physically assault a police officer. In fact, I must say that a majority of the time, the students although drunk,

respect the officers and either break up the party or turn the noise level down. Either of which is normally acceptable to the officer on the scene.

I understand what Ms. Farrell is saying when she argues that the police are only doing their job in protecting the neighbors rights when it comes to noise violations. However, I do not understand how she can say the police are justified in using foul language and lately violence in order to get their point across. Granted they have to deal with drugs and violence in the Chad Brown neighborhood, however, they should recognize that PC students reflect a different atmosphere than this and to tell the truth, the police are not justified

in using foul language and violence even in such areas such as Chad Brown unless their personal safety is being threatened.

I know of nobody on this campus who is not grateful to the police for their efforts at keeping peace in the area. I am also not saying that all of the Providence Police are in the wrong. I am saying that a small percentage of the officers on the local police force have been acting a bit over-zealously lately, and in my opinion, these officers must change their attitude toward the students at this college.

Bryan O'Malley '98

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFTEN MISUNDERSTOOD

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to an article that greatly disturbed me last week: "Changing the Collective Mind." As a woman, I am very concerned with the policy of affirmative action. However, the understanding of affirmative action as I perceived it in "Changing the Collective Mind" is completely off target. Furthermore, it perpetuates the media misconceptions of what affirmative action is all about.

First of all, affirmative action first began as a program to achieve racial and gender diversity and equality in the social, economic, and political sectors of society. So how can you reduce discrimination to simply being a black and white issue? By doing this you exclude women and all other ethnic groups. Do you think that Hispanics, Asians, and Native Americans are not discriminated against in the workforce or in educational systems? How can we "change the minds of everyone" if, in your mind, everyone is reduced to a white and black issue? It is ex-

actly this sort of white solipsist point of view that prevents racial and gender equality from becoming a reality.

Secondly, quotas and racial preferences are not even practices legitimated by affirmative action. Quotas were made and have been illegal since the Bakke case in 1978. And by agreeing with the argument that "quotas are nothing more than hiring on the basis of race or sex" and that "quotas are a form of reverse discrimination" you imply the belief that affirmative action policies promote certain groups over others. Another way of stating this is that women and ethnic groups take the white man's job. What you apparently fail to see is that particular groups (women and/or ethnic) are never promoted artificially - heavy regard and consideration is always given to their qualifications. Affirmative action programs do not rely on quotas and racial preferences. They do, however, rely on aggressive recruitment policies and outreach plans to achieve ra-

cial and gender diversity.

One of the major problems with affirmative action is the way it is distorted by the press and the media - a practice you have obviously contributed to. How can you say that "the problem with affirmative action is the extraordinary emphasis on it as a program and not as a principle" if you cannot even understand the principle behind affirmative action? It is important to get your facts straight before you write an article on such an intense and controversial issue. Affirmative action is not just a black and white issue. It is not rooted in quotas or racial preferences either. By directly revealing and implying these myths in your article you perpetuate the misunderstandings that lead people to shun affirmative action. So before you advocate that others should change their "hateful mindset" maybe you should change your own.

Danielle Tridenti '98

Providence College and Smith Hill: An Important Community Relationship

by Amy Rodrigues '97
Asst. Editorial Editor

Our campus is full of community service opportunities. We have many organizations that consist of people who are willing to give their time to the community in which we live. And through these organizations PC students devote hours and hours of service and manpower to sites around the neighborhood. I have realized this first-hand, not only by being involved in community service sites around the neighborhood, but through my current internship at the Smith Hill Center. However, as a student who finds it extremely meaningful and important to serve our community, I feel it is just as important and meaningful to step back and examine how our community serves us. For all of us students who devote time to serving the Smith Hill community, it is important to realize what Smith Hill and the Smith Hill Center provides us.

Although we, as PC students, are not direct recipients of the services offered by the Smith Hill Center, we are recipients of a vast array of educational opportunities, spiritual experiences, and lasting, meaningful relationships that derive from our community service experiences in Smith Hill. Presently there are 16 students volun-

teering their time at the Smith Hill Youth Center, After School Program, and Senior Center. There are 34 students volunteering in the Day Care Center as part of the Pastoral Service Organization, acting as teachers' aides, and mentors to

cantly less meaningful without these projects, ideas, and relationships. We would miss out on many informative discussions in our classrooms, many relationships with the energetic and fun-loving children at Chad Brown and

many other community organizations seek donations to provide their community with the services and programs that are important to the maintenance and improvement of their neighborhood. And in the past month, the United Way Foun-

just to name a few. These programs contribute greatly to the economic and social development of Smith Hill, at the same time providing extremely important services that sustain and cultivate relationships with the people in the neighborhood.

So, as the United Way campaign moves on into November, and the Smith Hill Center and PC continue to send numbers of volunteers into the neighborhoods of Smith Hill, it is imperative that those of us that are able to donate through the United Way do so in order to maintain this positive relationship and keep it flourishing. Too often donations are designated by people to areas in which they live, namely the suburbs. And so typical inner-city neighborhoods, like Smith Hill, are largely forgotten. Faculty, alumni, students, and parents, should all realize the important alliance that PC shares with Smith Hill. For all of you who donate through the United Way, please remember the important relationship we have with Smith Hill, and designate Smith Hill Center as a recipient of your donation. The *United Way Donor Option Number for Smith Hill Center* is 5670.

Faculty, alumni, students and parents should all realize the important alliance that PC shares with Smith Hill.

the children of Smith Hill. In addition, over 40 students are serving as PC Pals once a week with children from Chad Brown and the Youth Center. And beyond that there are work-study students and interns concentrating in various departments of the Center.

For many of us, including myself, community service has provided us with invaluable insights that have contributed to our intellectual and spiritual development as growing, responsible adults. I can honestly say that my college career would have been signifi-

Camden Elementary School, and we would miss out on the lasting relationships that we have built with fellow students joining together on Saturday mornings to serve our community.

Furthermore, the complementary relationship that PC and Smith Hill share creates a positive, powerful alliance that combats the ills of our community. In my view, this alliance provides the basis for a healthy community: one in which everyone comes together to meet the needs of the whole community.

The Smith Hill Center and

dation has been engaged in their annual giving campaign. All across the country, the United Way seeks donations from persons and groups in the community to give to member organizations like the Smith Hill Center. There is a United Way campaign going on right now on the PC campus. Through the United Way, funds given to the Smith Hill Center help to provide the people of Smith Hill with a Day Care Center, After School Programs, the Youth Center, the Senior Center, and the Community Gardening Project,

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SUPPORT A THIRD PARTY NOW

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Currently one third of registered voters are not affiliated with one of the major parties and 60 percent of Americans are in favor of the formation of a third party. Furthermore, 52 percent of the electorate say a new party to compete with the Republicans and Democrats is "the best situation for America," as opposed to only 26 percent who cite the two-party system as optimal. Despite these statistics representing America's desire for an alternative, next week we will once again have to hold our noses and choose a President. The two-party establishment, outdated institutional barriers and the fallacy that voting for a third party is a wasted vote have combined to keep the unpopular and unrepresentative two-party system alive.

Republicans and Democrats have a monopoly on our government and refuse to pass legislation that will hinder their privileged position, despite the cries of their constituencies. Needed changes, such as effective campaign finance reform, will never be instituted by the major parties because both parties benefit from the current system of corruption. Republicans have supposedly favored term limits on Congress, but the champions of this reform, Bob Dole and Newt Gingrich, have hypocritically been in Congress for decades. Under our current system, controversial legislation such as NAFTA is an issue to the American people, but not to the major parties.

Even if a third party candidate did have large amounts of popular support, he or she would still have trouble winning the election be-

cause of antiquated institutional barriers that are upheld by the major parties. Because these obstacles shield the Republicans and Democrats from the challenge of third parties, Republicans and Democrats gladly keep these institutions intact. The legitimacy of the Electoral College, which was put in place by that faction of the founding fathers who thought the American people were unqualified to elect their President directly, is never challenged by the major par-

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ties. Under this outdated and unrepresentative system, Ross Perot's one-fifth of the popular vote in 1992 was ridiculously transformed into zero electoral votes. Moreover, candidates are chosen through a primary or a caucus, but this process often excludes independents, a group that includes one in every three voters. As a result, the American people are only allowed to choose from those candidates that the major parties tell us we can choose from. Not surprisingly, ballot access laws are made by members of the ma-

jor parties and are normally strict as to suppress third party candidates. If the American people are ever going to be represented in government, the Electoral College must be expelled along with all other institutions that oppress third party candidacies.

Those who claim that a vote for a third party candidate is a wasted vote ignore history and the facts. Ross Perot's candidacy was apparently not significant enough to earn him a spot in the debates but was significant enough that Bob Dole crawled to him begging for an endorsement last week. Certainly George Bush would agree that a third party can have an effect on an election, because the presence of a third party in 1992 ended Mr. Bush's Presidency. Furthermore, the ideas for the contract with America were not the product of Newt Gingrich or the Republican party, but rather the planks of Ross Perot's 1992 third party campaign.

This article is not an endorsement of Ross Perot or any other candidate. It is a condemnation of the unrepresentative status-quo and a call for Americans to abandon a system that leaves most of us without representation. I urge everyone to do something that Republicans and Democrats rarely do- when you vote this Tuesday do so with your conscience. Cast your ballot for a third party candidate or a write-in candidate. The message must be sent to the Republicans and Democrats that the American people are tired of voting for the lesser of two evils. A vote for a third party candidate is a vote for change and a vote for choice.

MISPLACED PRIORITIES

by Elizabeth L. Duryea '97
Editorial Writer

A high school in Inkster, Michigan has lowered its academic standards for its athletes so that its sports teams will succeed. The previous policy maintained that a student athlete would have to pass six classes with a "C" or better. It has been lowered so that an athlete will only have to pass four classes with a "D-minus." The lower standard of the D-minus grade was previously set by the state. The Inkster School District had raised its standards three years ago, however, to improve the academic standing of its student athletes.

The students who were able to maintain the district standards were not the best athletes, according to the statistics of the Inkster District teams. Both the Superintendent of the Inkster School District and the Inkster High School Athletics Director were more concerned with the recent losses of the athletics teams than the low achievement level of the student athletes. One mother of an Inkster High School junior spoke out against the lowering of academic standards for athletes saying, "Sports are fine, but you need good grades no matter what... a 'D' is next to failing." This concerned parent has raised an important point regarding the kind of example the leaders of this school district are setting for its student athletes. This example in Michigan highlights a larger problem in our society which has to do with how we as Americans value education.

Clubs and teams which meet after school should be a part of the high school experience for every student as a supplement to their "classroom experience." There is a kind of prestige in being a member of the "winning team" or being elected the president of a club. A student should not be allowed the privilege of these positions outside of the classroom, if they are incapable of performing within

the classroom. Students should be given the responsibility of meeting the standards which the educators of a school district set for them. The educators must first set a positive example so that the students are motivated to achieve even the minimum standard.

The Superintendent of the Inkster School District was quoted as saying that the levels of achievement which the school district had set were "unfair" to the students because it caused the sports teams to lose: "You don't kill the victim to make the system work," he said. It is not the fault of the students that an incompetent and ignorant Superintendent was elected, but until the "system" can get motivated and organized, the students should not be allowed to neglect their studies. It is a shame that the students are not able to participate in sports and that the teams are losing. However, the school district must take responsibility for its own failings because it is responsible for the education of its students. There is no future for the school or its student athletes when the minimum grade required in four classes is only a "D-minus" in order to participate in sports.

The standards which this school has set for its athletes are appallingly low, motivating students not to higher levels of learning and academic achievement, but to a lazy approach to academics. The standards which are set for the basketball and baseball teams should not be any different from the policy for non-athletes; that would be unfair. Does the whole school aspire to "D-minus" grades in four of its eight or nine classes? What a dull and lifeless school this Inkster High School must be; I would be incredibly frustrated if I were a teacher or a student there. It is sad that the value of our education system has been reduced to such a low level that the outcome of a high school baseball game should decide whether a student should achieve in academics or whether they should remain lazy, get by in their classes, and score the winning run.

AFTER DUNBLANE

Britain Offers a Solution and America Dawdles

by Jamie Lantinen '97
Editorial Editor

The world was shocked and horrified at the tragic deaths of school children in Dunblane, Scotland this year. Few news stories can evoke feelings of nausea, and few result in international mourning. Dunblane was one such story. Over the last eight months, the world has questioned, hoped and tried to forget. Memories of British people, however, die hard. The government in Great Britain has just enacted - in direct response to the massacre - the strictest gun control laws in the world.

Already a virtually gun-free society, where even the police do not carry guns, Great Britain will now boast of the toughest gun policy. The new policy is welcomed by the people, who demanded a strong response to Dunblane. A recent poll found that Britons favor a ban on handguns by 81 percent to 15 percent. Americans, conversely, oppose such a ban by 60 percent to 40 percent. Could there be a correlation between the large number of Britons in favor of a ban and the American opposition to gun control? The correlation is that Americans live in what *The Economist* calls "the laxest gun-control regime in the developed world," while the British have long had strict gun control laws. This correlation speaks volumes about the concept of a gun culture.

A gun culture like the United States, fueled by the economically powerful manufacturers and gun lobbyists, perpetuates the feeling that there is a need for guns in our society. They contend that the country is an unstable, uncertain, insecure environment and convey these fears to the people. They raise questions about the trustworthiness of the government and at the same time praise the trustworthiness of the people.

An anti-gun culture like Britain denounces these theories. The people in Britain find themselves enjoying a relatively high feeling of security. Not even the police, who face the criminals of the culture daily need to carry weapons, so the people in general feel safe. And yet, they demand even tighter regulations. This is not an emotional reaction to the events in Scotland, it is a result of the

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success of the anti-gun movement. The people feel safe.

How is it that Britain has succeeded on its quest to prevent violence and not preserve misconstrued notions of rights? The difference is that Britain, unlike the United States, has responded efficiently and pragmatically to an important problem. Only eight months after Dunblane, the government has enacted - not merely proposed - but implemented extremely tough gun control. This is not the only instance, where the efficiency of the British govern-

ment has solved important problems. Drastic and effective anti-terrorism measures, for example, have been taken to ensure that the high-risk of terrorism is reduced to an absolute minimum.

The United States, conversely, when faced with similar watershed moments in history, cowers behind a two-hundred year old Constitution. Americans have always had a very slow impetus to change. It may be due to our culture, our government or a combination of both. Following the Oklahoma City bombing, the President set up a "task force" to address the apparent crisis. Nearly two-years later, Congress was gutting the heart out of the Anti-Terrorism Act, for fear it tread on the unpliable words of the Constitution. It seems to me that debates about the constitutionality of a law should be left to the Supreme Court. It is the responsibility of our legislature to address necessary problems, not sit on them until they become unbearable. Two years following Oklahoma City, and a year after Congress dawdled on the Anti-Terrorism Act, Americans were again shocked by the tragedy of the TWA bombing. Should we really be surprised?

It must be said, that the situations are not as cut and dry as I am making them out to be. The tragedy at Dunblane, for example, should not have occurred in a country with one of the strictest gun control laws already on the books. However, there is something to be said about this British "pragmatic" approach to government, as opposed to the American "Constitutional" approach to government. Perhaps the answer is not in the pure pragmatic approach, as it can often in knee-jerk responses to tragedies. Perhaps the answer lies somewhere in the middle of both approaches. At the end of the day, however, the British can say they gave it their best try. When America faces its own Dunblane in the future, will we as Constitution-loving Americans be able to say the same?

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Euthanasia Not Murder

by Lori Andrade '98
Editorial Writer

Recently I was reading a friend's textbook entitled *Healthcare Ethics* and was in disagreement with the following statement. "When persons freely choose to die and ask to be killed, they are not only committing the crime of suicide but also compounding it by making another a partner in crime." This statement is referring to the term known as "euthanasia." What it fails to recognize is that this person is not asking to be killed, but asking to be saved because he or she is in constant pain and is terminally ill. This text torments the sick and dying who have requested such an action. It mercilessly condemns the ailing because of a human reaction that anyone might have if placed in the same circumstances.

It is wrong to consider euthanasia either suicide or murder. A person who is terminally ill and who wants to be put out of pain and misery, has absolute control over what they want to do with the rest of their short life. They know

they are going to die in a matter of time, but only after their suffering worsens. It is a reasonable request to end the suffering as soon as possible. The patient may ask someone to help them, usually a very close loved one, or a doctor. This person should not be considered a murderer, for they are simply fulfilling the request of an already dying sufferer. The sufferer has given consent, therefore this cannot be considered murder. No life has been taken away without consent.

It is wrong to label people when nobody knows what they are feeling inside and it is impossible to say a person committed suicide without first examining the details. If I put myself in the position of a person who is dying and suffering a tremendous amount of pain, I know I would request to be put out of my misery. Any person in this position who wills himself or herself to die is in no way committing a crime. They are willing something that is for their own benefit, so they do not have to go through the pain any longer. Because the person

wills death, it is impossible to say that anyone who helps him or her achieve the will is a murderer. If someone has asked to die and has asked for an end to the pain, there is no murder taking place. If I put myself in the position of the loved one who is listening to the request to die, I would not be able to bear to see anyone in so much pain that they would want to die. So, I would act upon the request as long as he or she was truly serious and terminally ill.

I can see how the outrage comes in when an assisted suicide takes place on a person who is not terminally ill and who is not enduring extreme amounts of pain. I believe this is exactly what it is called, "assisted suicide." If a person is only having social problems and wants to end his or her life, this is suicide. And the person who has so little respect for the other's life as to help him or her end it should be considered a murderer. However, these terms, suicide and murderer, cannot be involved in a situation where a person is suffering pain and is definitely dying.

Currently there is a lot of discussion on whether or not Dr. Jack Kavorkian should be considered a murderer. I feel that originally he was not a murderer. He was simply acting upon a request to relieve certain patients from the incurable pain they were feeling. They were going to die in a specified time span so he only relieved them from any further pain. However, recently there have been speculations that some of his patients were not terminally ill, one may have only had a psychological problem. If this is true, he should be considered a murderer. There is no excuse for taking one's life if their life can be saved in some other way.

My argument is, then, that if there is no other way to relieve a person from pain and from a terminal illness, and if he or she requests to die sooner just so he or she does not have to endure more pain, this is not murder or suicide. This is helping someone fulfill their last request; it is a cure in the form of death. He or she is finally relieved from the one thing he or she could no longer endure.

THE OBSTINANCE OF SWISS BANKS

Accounts of Holocaust Victims Must Be Opened to Families

by Kristen Martineau '98
Editorial Writer

It has been over 50 years since the Jews were confined to Hitler's concentration camps. Over 6 million people died during the Holocaust. However, miraculously there were survivors; some are still alive today. Many watched loved ones die. They have been forced to live with the awful memory of Hitler and Nazi Germany. Yet, amid all of the atrocities they once faced, they still have an obstacle to overcome. Many Jewish families deposited money in Swiss bank accounts during the years of WWII. They wanted their money to be safe and wanted their families to one day reclaim the money. Unfortunately, 50 years later that money remains in Swiss accounts and is not being distributed to the rightful recipients.

One survivor, Estelle Sapir was once a wealthy child. Her father deposited \$30,000-\$40,000 at a time in Swiss accounts, hoping that one day his children would enjoy the benefits of his investment. However, Estelle lives in a one room apartment in Queens, New York and barely has enough money to pay her bills. She recalls watching her father and almost all of her relatives die in Hitler's concentration camps. The money that her father once invested is now frozen and she has no way of accessing it. She said, "I just want to have enough money so I can pay the rent each month without having to worry."

The Swiss banks have refused to give Sapir and other Jewish survivors of the death camps the money deposited in secret, numbered accounts before WWII. The

Swiss have demanded that the survivors produce death certificates of those family members who originally deposited the money. This is absolutely ridiculous, not to mention cruel and heartless. It is impossible to produce a death certificate for someone whose identity was reduced to a number and who eventually died in a gas chamber or an oven.

Fortunately, there seems to be a crack in the Swiss stone wall. Last week, Edgar Bronfman, Sr., president of the World Jewish Congress, was able to find a list of long-ago account holders and turned it over to the Swiss bank committee. The list contains the names, home cities, and deposits, totaling \$13.5 million, of over 500 account holders. This is a major turning point in that the Swiss will no longer have the ability to claim that there are no documents. U.S. officials believe that the Swiss vaults, with over half a century of interest, could contain \$3-\$7 billion today. The most disturbing aspect is that some of the deposits are gold ingots melted down from the jewelry and teeth of Holocaust victims.

The atrocities that Holocaust victims saw is beyond human comprehension. We certainly cannot change what happened, but we have the responsibility to make the Swiss accounts accessible to those who rightfully deserve the money. It is a disgrace to make the victims suffer more than they already have and resurface painful memories. Hopefully, the Swiss banks will realize that they are contributing to the hardship of Holocaust survivors and will attempt to make their lives a little easier.

Schoolyards Not Sweatshops

by Mike Sullivan '97
Editorial Writer

"Few human rights abuses are so unanimously condemned, while being so widely practiced as child labor. . . There is no quick fix . . . Working children, all over the world, deserve better." -Testimony given by the International Labor Organization at the Department of Labor's hearing on Child Labor.

In less than a week the people of the United States are going to choose who will be the first president of the Twenty-first Century. The person who is chosen will have a responsibility greater than any president before them. The president will have to be ready to appropriately deal with the problems of our hi-tech age. Innovations such as the internet and recent medical breakthroughs have tremendously improved our lives but at the same time have raised new questions and created new problems for society. However, one of the most serious problems that the president and other world leaders will have to deal with in the twenty-first century is not new at all. Child labor has been plaguing us since the beginning of the Industrial Revolution and instead of fading away over time it has only gotten worse. Some people maintain that child labor is a tiny "necessary evil" that is bound to exist in an imperfect world. The truth is that exploitive child labor is a grave injustice that exists to benefit a wealthy few at the expense of hundreds of millions of children who are too weak to defend themselves.

First of all the numbers are appalling. Most people realize that children are being exploited but are unaware of how vast the problem is. According to the International Labor Organization (ILO) there are at least 73 million children

worldwide between the ages of 10 and 14 who are employed full-time or nearly full-time. It is also estimated that the total number of children working worldwide is somewhere around 200 million. As one might expect poor nations account for most of the problem. More than 95 percent of these working children live in developing countries. Also, more than 50 percent of them are in South and South-east Asia alone.

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The conditions that these children work in are absolutely deplorable. The United States Department of Labor has conducted several studies on the problem over the past two years and made some rather disturbing discoveries. In Asia children are working in overcrowded garment factories behind locked doors for 14 hours a day. Other children are toiling at looms for endless hours in mud huts to make carpets. In glass factories children are forced to work in intense heat without any protective clothing and many walk barefoot on the dirt floors which are littered with glass shards. Worst of all young girls are being bought, sold and trafficked as sex slaves. 60

Minutes reported recently that if a customer were to pay enough money for one of these prostitutes, he could do anything to her, even kill her if he wanted.

Why are these children being forced to work under such miserable conditions for such little compensation? The answer is obvious: money. Greedy corporations, which are motivated only by profit, pay child workers practically nothing and are then able to sell products at very low costs. Since these products cost less than products marketed by more ethical companies, more people give them their business. Thus, exploiting children is very profitable business practice. A large part of the blame for this belongs to the consumers who patronize unethical companies.

Labor leaders from around the world are finally coming together to devise a strategy to combat this problem but we still have a long way to go. New international laws restricting and regulating the employment of children must be written and ratified. Governments around the world, including our own, must provide the funding and resources to see that these laws are enforced. The international community must fulfill its responsibility of encouraging the economic development of Third World nations, not just the corporations based there. The ultimate responsibility lies with the consumers. They are the ones who have to decide whether having cheaper products is worth forcing children to work in sweatshops. They are the ones who have to decide whether corporations who exploit pre-teens for profit should be rewarded or boycotted. They are also the ones who have to decide whether upholding human dignity is an unattainable ideal or a goal for which to strive.

MORE LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To The Editor:

I agree with both Alda Farlow and Christina Kelly in the Roving Photographer section in last week's Cowl. They co-said, "If Clinton is going to drastically reduce welfare aid, is his administration going to guarantee jobs for the recipients?"

What I find ironic is that out of the trillion-plus dollars the United States spends each year on direct and indirect entitlements, only a small fraction goes to the poor.

Another important factor to remember is if you are an American citizen living above the government's official poverty line, you are eligible under current law to receive far more in lifetime government benefits than any welfare mother. And especially if you belong to the generation (me) currently in retirement, the value of those benefits will be far in excess of their lifetime contribution in taxes.

I can understand why some middle-class Americans are alarmed because of welfare dependency in today's poorer neighborhoods. However, we shouldn't scapegoat "those people" on the other side of the tracks, for running up your taxes or the national debt. I agree that they are part of the problem. However, the rest of us are a far bigger part. In 1990, fully 75 percent of all direct out-

lays for federal entitlements went to families earning \$20,000 or more annually. Even for families earning \$50,000 or more are also major consumers of the welfare state.

Entitlements conveyed through the tax code are even more favorable of the middle class and the well-to-do. Social security and Medicare are two good examples. A typical middle-class couple retiring at age sixty-five this year can expect to receive social security and Medicare benefits with an annuity value approaching \$500,000. This includes (in constant 1993 dollars) \$185,000 worth of future Medicare benefits and \$223,400 in future social security benefits. Most of this money is pure wind fall. A typical couple today has paid little more than \$57,000 in Medicare taxes over their lifetime and only about \$109,000 in social security taxes (even after adjusting for inflation and the time value of money).

I think whoever is elected president on November 5 should work together to also reform the United States entitlement system. If not, then the official position of the U.S. government in this current policy, extended indefinitely, will result in the near-total confiscation of the income of today's younger Americans and future generations.

Russell P. Demoe '73

To the Editor:

It is a common assumption that since the free press is present in public institutions, it should follow that it should also be present in private institutions. However, this student believes that this sacred right of free speech is discouraged by the restrictive advertisement policy at this private school. If an organization or individual on this campus wishes to advertise an event by means of a poster or leaflet, students are required to have that leaflet or poster approved and stamped by a particular board of authority. This policy is not only an insult to each student's own inherent right of free speech, but an unnecessary roadblock that discourages free expression of ideas on this campus.

One argument in favor of this present system is that it serves to keep "trash" and graffiti off the walls of the campus. But there is just no beef to this, because it assumes incorrectly that a particular group has the right to determine what is universally trash and what is not. It ignores each individual's own God-given ability to find worth and value in things. Are you comfortable with the idea that a group of your peers can determine for you what is proper and what is not?

Another argument in favor of

the "stamp of approval" policy is that it keeps radicalism and extreme views off-campus. This argument also fails when we take a look at our Providence College community. Generally we embody traditional clean-cut looks and Judeo-Christian values. In light of this, it is absurd to think that if the existing policy were loosened, the true radical nature of each student would come out, leading to the inevitable takeover of the administration building or the formation of Communist groups on campus. PC is a perfect example of moderation, and given this, the administration should have nothing to worry about.

Change is clearly the best option because there are so many benefits that would come from getting rid of this decrepit policy. Giving more opportunity and making it easier to express ideas would lead to more thinking on campus. This would greatly enhance our reputation as an academic institution. A more open environment where ideas are encouraged would also lead to the formation of more social groups on campus. This would give more student more avenues to continue their self-improvement while serving to fulfill their lives.

Moving away from present policy is completely consistent

with the values that this Judeo-Christian institution holds deeply. We have on this campus one of the most innovative democratic institutes for college students in America. The Feinstein Center serves to provide students with the means to become involved in a democratic society. In order for that democratic society to survive, the sharing of ideas and the encouraging of free speech are two crucial ingredients. Therefore, because we hold such high ideals, if any Catholic institution can take up this challenge of doing away with the old and harboring the new, Providence College is that institution.

The purpose of advertising school events is to provide as many students as possible the opportunity to take part. While the general goal of this has been achieved as evidenced in the large number of students who attend school festivities, this student believes that it is clearly in the best interests of a Judeo-Christian institution to loosen up the restrictions regarding advertisements in order to allow more group events and ideas to flourish on this campus.

Ted Miller '97

"Like a Shadow or a Friend"

by Venessa Anderson '99
A&E Asst. Editor

I walked in, embarrassingly, a few minutes late. I hurried to slip into a seat unnoticed to the audience of a hundred or so. As I finally settled down in my seat, got out my notebook, and looked at the guest speaker, I was struck by her presence. Dressed all in black with a beige vest, her long brown hair in a braid down the side of her head, Naomi Shihab Nye made a statement.

What was striking about Shihab Nye was that she was truly an American. The daughter of a immigrant Palestinian father and an American mother, Shihab Nye grew up in St. Louis, Jerusalem, and San Antonio. Shihab Nye brings this multicultural and spice to her writing of children's books, poetry, and prose.

This past Tuesday night, the 22nd of October in Moore Hall, PC was lucky enough to have Shihab Nye give a reading of some of her poems. Starting off the night with a few selections from other authors, Nye made a point to invite her audience to ask her anything. She wanted a conversation, not a presentation.

Beginning with a quote from Charles Simmick, "Everything you didn't understand made you what you are," seemed appropriate.

class wrote a poem about pumpkins. After this lady shared her poem with the class, the silent man muttered his first words in three years. Shihab Nye's poem, "What Brings Us Out," describes this event and pondered on the thought, what was it about a simple pumpkin that caused this man to enter the world of verbal communication again?

Shihab Nye continued the story. The silent man explained that the poem the woman had written about simple pumpkins made him realize that he could be a part of society again. He lost his fear. Part of the explanation for his silence was because his father had beaten him. One particular day, when he was still a boy, his father had taken him out to a pumpkin stand to choose a pumpkin, but he couldn't decide. He got nervous. Which one should he pick? Should he get one big one, or two small ones? He didn't know. When his father and he got home, he was severely beaten, and he never forgot the pain a simple pumpkin gave him. But with the poem that the women wrote, the silent man realized that he could live without his father's threats. He could become a part of life again. He could replace bad images with good ones now.

Shihab Nye continued to describe her father and his heritage. She told the audience that she al-

old grandmother well. Shihab Nye described her grandmother as someone who slept sitting up because she, "wasn't ready to lie down yet." Her grandmother also "didn't want to die until everyone else (she) didn't like died first." Shihab Nye was convinced she accomplished that.

Peace has always been a weighty issue in Jerusalem. Shihab Nye included a quote from Tommy Olofson, "Let's be the same wound if we must be." Her poem, "The Man Who Makes Brooms," explains some of the absurdities and lack of security in the Holy Land.

*So you come with these maps in your head
and I come with voices chiding me to
"speak for my people"
and we march around like guardians of memory
till we find the man on the short stool
who makes brooms.*

*Thumb over thumb, straw over straw,
he will not look at us....*

*..In the village the uncles will raise their keyfahs
from dominoes to say, no brooms in America?
And the little girls who stoop to sweep the courtyard*



Photo by Amy Arbus

Poet Naomi Shihab Nye spoke to students last Tuesday

Another intriguing poem Shihab Nye presented was "His Life." In it she has a reference to a donkey which she elaborated on after she read. The donkey, as she explained it, was an indirect reference to her brother and his job. She began a story of how she went on a tour through some mines. As she was going through these mys-

up in the darkness of the mine. There was no way these animals could survive in the sunlight. They were trapped... just like Shihab Nye's brother was trapped in his job.

Shihab Nye ended her conversation with a request for, "Kindness." It seemed appropriate.

There was a schizophrenic man among her students who had not talked in three years. One day, Naomi Shihab Nye decided to bring her class on a walk to study their environment and write about what they encountered. One of the ladies in her class wrote a poem about pumpkins. After this lady shared her poem with the class, the silent man muttered his first words in three years. Shihab Nye's poem, "What Brings Us Out," describes this event.

ate. She told us a story about when she was a teacher at a (mental institution). There was a schizophrenic man among her students who had not talked in three years. One day, Shihab Nye decided to bring her class on a walk to study their environment and write about what they encountered on their field trip. One of the ladies in her

ways felt a little resentful that her father, when he came over on the boat and saw the Statue of Liberty for the first time, threw everything that reminded him of the old country off the boat. As all children would, she wanted to know her roots.

She ended up studying in Jerusalem. She knew her 106 year-

will stop for a moment and cock their heads.

*It is a little song, this thumb over thumb,
but sometimes when you wait years
for the air to break open
and sense to fall out,
it may be the only one.*

Jerusalem

terious caverns, led by two retired miners, the tour group heard animal noises coming from the inner depths of the mines. Shihab Nye grew curious. Why where there animal noises coming from the middle of the earth? The retired miners explained that the noises came from donkeys that lived there. These animals were brought

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Days later, I'm sitting in front of a computer screen, staring at these profound words. How can I write a conclusion to words that already stand by themselves? I am speechless.

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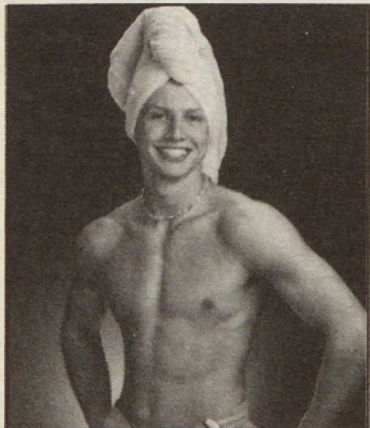
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Haven of Fools

by Michael P. Sablone '98
A&E Editor

Since every now and then writers on the *Cowl* feel the need to delve into the other sections' materials, I decided that it would be fun for me to pen a Features ar-



ticle about a favorite topic for the paper: my roommates.

My roommates are a perplexing group: there's, uh, there's...the guy that I share my room with...and some, um, other guys and...you know, between school work and all the extracurricular activities I partake in, I never see my roommates, let alone know who's who. (if anyone knows them, please tell them I say hi). I seem to have lost my point. Oh well, whatever, nevermind.

I know — instead of writing an article that is filled with inside jokes only the cast of *Fiddler on the Roof* would understand, I'm going to write an article that no one here will understand — I'm going to write about my friends from home. It may contain a few inaccuracies in order to tell a better story, but at least none of the names have been changed.

"It's about 75 miles up the road, up on Interstate 95." There lies Chelmsford, MA, my old home. I say old because my family recently moved to Ohio. Within the confines of the town are many, many people who grow up sheltered from life in the real world. Sure we have a McDonalds and a Burger King, but I mean the Real World. We grew up in a nice, sheltered suburban environment that fostered creativity as a learning tool. Well, the schools didn't that much, but our parents did. I'd like to introduce to you three of my friends who I feel would be most interesting to write about: Dave

Flynn, Greg Marcks, and Greg McKenna. For some reason, I feel the need to put a quote or a song title (it is the A&E section) as an introduction to the three.

Dave Flynn: "You are all weirdos." — Sam the Eagle in *The Great Muppet Caper*. Dave enjoys vacuuming. It figures that he does, because he has a pretty cool home. His older brothers and sisters broke the house in, so by the time he came along, it was all lived in and cozy. Another neat aspect of his house was his grandma's kickin' bachelor pad that was adjacent to his kitchen. I've known Dave since my neighbor Beth had an end-of-the-summer get-together at her house in 8th grade. Dave and I became instant partners in crime. We began our crime spree immediately. There was much pillaging and looting of many adjacent towns and villages for weeks afterward. Since Dave was the youngest, he had it easy. Like the house that was broken in, so were his parents, to a point. His house became our television studio as we

filmed our wacky escapades and marketed them for mass consumption. Dave is studying at Emory University right now. He used to want to be a plastic surgeon till someone pointed out that you would have to deal with rich people who believed that if you sucked your life essence

throughout an expensive vacuum cleaner then people would like you more. Dave realized that he didn't want to have to put up with morons anymore than he had to, so he went into law (that's lawyer humor — he actually is still pre-med). I find that our wacky escapades closely resemble Offspring songs. No, wait, that's a lie. I guess our escapades

must be the result of being dropped on our heads when we were younger because we had eaten too many oilbased paint chips.

Greg Marcks: "That would be bad Ray." — Igon in *Ghostbusters*. I've been friends with Greg since sixth grade when people used to call him "SN" or "Super Nerd." There are a lot of funny stories about Greg, but you wouldn't find them funny. (Wait, that was the point of this article) Greg is one of the smartest people I know, although for some time he lacked common sense. Like in seventh grade when he thought it would be interesting to stick pins in a socket, and then have everyone hold hands to see how far the current would carry. His little experiment was ruined when Chris Blagg let go. Greg did suffer a little jolt (the big Jolt would come later when he had to have his insides cleaned out due to the mass drinking of a fizzy beverage called Jolt. Greg can't drink soda any-

Sinbad. Greg decided that he didn't want to come back to Chelmsford this summer, so he went to live with his brother in Florida. I think I one-upped him by going to Ohio.

Greg McKenna: "The Devil went down to Baltimore (Totally Rocking)" — Mono Puff's current radio single. There are times when I think that my other Greg friend is the Antichrist. Then there are the times when I think that he is a figment of my imagination and people just can't see him, like Harvey to Jimmy Stewart. Greg gets away with everything. I was frightened of him in sixth grade. He and this other kid Ed (usually people named "Ed" are scary behemoths who need to begin shaving in third grade — Ed Grimley is an exception) used to punch me in the leg. They would also play uncle with me, by attempting to pinch my knee cap. I never told them this, but usually I would just act like I was in pain and they would stop. You can argue that I

the law never reared its oh-so-ugly head. Authority figures crumpled under Greg's goofy-ass smile. One of the funniest escapades involved our dressing up my friend Ryan as our savior and harassing Canadian Border Guards. Greg's in Maryland at the Maryland Institute



(what a fitting word) College of Art. He wishes that we'd break into Hollywood, and frankly, I think that all of us are sick of waiting. Sort of like the time when we held a picnic on top of the town dump and waited for hours for the sun to come out so we could film it. The only good that came out of this was that we smelled bad for weeks.

We usually were bored. Out of that boredom came some form of creativity that would entertain us. Even if it didn't entertain us it kept us busy and off the streets, sort of like organized crime. No, wait, that's wrong too, usually we played in the streets. Basically, the four of us really didn't like each other very much. Our experiences might make a good story some day, but I doubt it. However, we do have our dignity, or at least shards of it. Speaking of dignity, there were some constants in our routines (that's a joke): Dave's mother would cook for us, Greg Marcks' van would transport us, I would take pictures (none of the ones with this article however), Greg McKenna would, uh, he would do something stupid that would either almost get us arrested, deported, or killed. Come to think of it, all my friends had death wishes. Must be that they didn't like me. After all, I'm about as likeable as my writing is. Come to think of this, I never really liked them anyway. Maybe I should hang out with my roommates more often. (hear that guys — fire up the stove and defrost the refrigerator — I'm comin' home!!!! [for a couple of minutes at least])



This photo was taken from a photo essay by Mr. McKenna. Your fearless editor is the blurry one, Dave is the grinning one.

more. I don't think he has a large intestine either. Let this be a warning: the stuff'll kill you), but for the most part he was unscathed. Greg is at Carnegie Mellon right now. He's a creative writing major, which just says that he can write things that don't make sense, but sound great. Sort of like e e cummings, Tom Jones and

was a sissy, or that I was really into acting at an early age as a form of cowardliness. The more I think about it the more I realize sixth grade was really important. Greg was a "jock" until about sophomore year, when he realized that we were cooler (This is a writer's embellishment — I don't really know why he migrated to our group.) Anyway, Greg joined our group and more wackiness ensued. We kept him with us, mainly because when we were together

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Finally! The Fall Arts Festival

by Megan Southard '97
A&E Writer

November 1st will mark the opening day of Providence College's first Fall Arts Festival, a celebration of the arts where the campus will witness ten days of music, art, and dance events performed by students, faculty, and guest artists. The festival begins this weekend, with the sold-out Black-friars Theater performance of *Fiddler on the Roof* on Friday, and the opening of the gallery exhibit "Landscape Painting" by artist Ida Schmulowitz this Sunday at 2:00 PM in Hunt-Cavanaugh Hall. All the events with the exception of "Fiddler on the Roof" are free and open to everyone. The first days of the festival deliberately coincide with the Freshman Parents Weekend, to make both new students and parents aware of the active artistic atmosphere here at PC. The problem with the artistic community at PC is not a lack of events or providing talent, but the lack of an attending audience.

The departments of art/art history, music, and theater have collaborated to make this festival happen. Fr. Brocato discusses the success of this collaboration and says, "The festival has been really good for the relationship of the three departments. It has brought about a collaboration that I feel is really good...if we work together, we will be more productive." The Fall Arts Festival, a long-hoped for event, was made possible by a core committee of faculty members headed by Rev. Francis Brocato, O.P.,

assistant professor and chair of the Department of Music, along with associate professors of art/art history James Janeczek and Rev. Ken Gumbert. The committee's efforts originated in a desire to expand the community of the arts on campus, and to make known the wealth of unrecognized talent we have here at PC.

Many of the year-round arts events, including the display of guest, faculty, and student artists at the Hunt-Cavanaugh Gallery, often go unattended by students. The festival is an effort to increase awareness, and get people involved in the creative community- not just of the studio arts, but in the activities of all the arts departments at PC. Fr. Brocato has put much effort into the creation of the festival in the hopes that the PC community will "see that the arts are really alive and well at Providence College and that we have some very talented people here at the college who do some very creative things." He also hopes to spread the awareness of the artistic activity on campus throughout the wider Providence community. In order to assist this effort, a 1996-97 PC Arts Calendar has been produced and distributed throughout the campus, listing the dates and times of some of the major events of this Academic year. If you have not gotten your hands on one, they are available at Hunt-Cavanaugh Hall. Get involved and support the artistic community here at PC, and attend the many exciting events planned for the Fall Festival. For more information on the Fall Arts Festival, contact Fr. Brocato at (401) 865-2861.



Rev. Francis Brocato

Cycles

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

I saw the most beautiful thing tonight. On my way from Slavin to lower campus, I witnessed a truly magnificent moonrise. Like a tarnished pearl, the moon shone with dull radiance high in the sky, a field of indigo. It did not so much illuminate as just rendered itself a beacon across campus. Framed by wispy charcoal colored clouds, the moon's light was sharded by the naked trees which surround the cemetery by Moore Hall. Not even my impending article deadlines, academic angst, personal problems, relationship riddles, or financial incertitudes could spoil the moment for me.

Trees have dropped their colored leaves, and flowers are beginning to retreat beneath the earth to the bulbs which will give them life once winter is over. The days are shorter, the nights are colder, and where there was once a blistering breeze, there is now a crisp, chilling wind.

Centuries ago, the ancient Celts of Britannia believed that winter was caused by their Pagan deities, who caused the earth to move away from the sun. On Halloween night, in order to appease their pantheon of Gods, the ancient Celts sacrificed animals. They danced around huge bonfires wearing the skins of animals, in an attempt to scare away the ghosts and goblins which returned to the earth to play tricks on them. Rich landowners gave food to less fortunate on All

Hallow's Eve in order to gain favor with the spirits which roamed the earth.

Things seem to move in repetitive cycles. Boys and girls of all ages dress in costumes, begging candy from their neighbors. Jack-o-lanterns adorn everyone's front porch and tricks are played by mischievous children.

Think about where you were this time last year. Aggregately are you happier now? Have you shed your problems of yesteryear, or do they still haunt you? Or are they replaced? Sure, you might not take Civ anymore, but how is Accounting III treating you?

Go back to last week. Have you solved any of your problems that were plaguing you seven days ago? Do you think that those problems won't resurface? Even if they are solved in the material world, do they visit you in your most vulnerable moments of

sleep? Is your sleep restful? Can you sleep, or has even that luxury been stripped from you? Does everything you touch turn to black?

Right now I wish I was three weeks ago. I was happier three weeks ago. I had better grades, had skipped less classes, had ticked-off less people, severed less relationships, had more money, had not yet forgotten to send my sister her birthday card, had murdered less brain cells with alcohol.

I have found that my best friends in life have been the ones who listened without me speaking. Who understood my words, when I said nothing. Friends such as these are hard to come by, and I consider myself to be immensely lucky that I have found two.

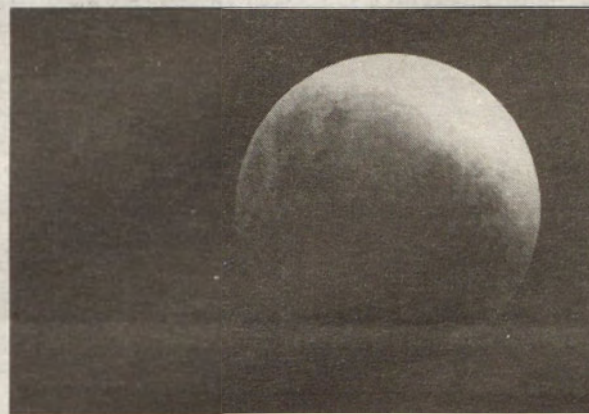
In his final article last year, Pat Heap said, "Practice finding meaning. Someday you might need some." Are you looking yet? Have you found it? Do you think you need it?

Halloween has always been my favorite day of the year. Candy and assorted Halloween booty aside, you get to pretend something which you're not, something which you might never get to be during the other 364 days of any other year. For my first several Halloweens, my parents dressed

me like a clown. I must have been four or five when I finally ended that nonsense by asking my mother to buy me a skeleton costume. Halloween and my Halloween pasts take on a different meaning for me every year.

Halloween booty has taken on a different form for me. Instead of sugary paper wrapped treats, I now trick-or-treat for 12 ounce aluminum cans. Girls are now women, no longer icky, just sources of frustration and confusion. I don't find Alvin and the Chipmunks' Christmas Hit album to be as aesthetically pleasing anymore, either.

Consider what Halloween has grown to mean for you, if it has a meaning. Even if you do not like to dress up and requisition candy from your neighbors, consider what this time of year means to you. In the 19 years and some odd months I've lived, things have gone progressively downhill. The grass is greener in the womb, I have come to realize. It's the moments like watching that moonrise that I feel calm and tranquil.



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Nov. 1	Theatre Production: "Fiddler on the Roof"
8:00 pm	Blackfriars Theatre, Harkins Hall
Nov. 2-10	Festival Exhibit: Ida Schmulowitz: "Landscape Painting"
Daily	Hunt/Cavanagh Art Gallery
Nov. 2	Freshman Parents Weekend Student/Faculty Recital
2:00 pm	Slavin Center, '64 hall
Nov. 2	Theatre Production: "Fiddler on the Roof"
8:00 pm	Blackfriars Theatre, Harkins Hall
Nov. 2	Dance Concert
8:00 pm	Slavin Center, '64 Hall
Nov. 3	Theatre Production: "Fiddler on the Roof"
2:00 pm	Blackfriars Theatre, Harkins Hall
Nov. 3	Dance Concert
2:00 pm	Slavin Center, '64 Hall
Nov. 3	Art Department Reception for Ida Schmulowitz, painter
6 till 8 pm	Hunt/Cacanagh Gallery
Nov. 4	Dr. Ann Norton, Lecture: "Rememvered Art of the Unseen World:
4:00 pm	Aspects of Sacred Space in Asia" -- Moore Hall III with reception in foyer
Nov. 4	Premiere: "Dreamscapes"
7:30 pm	Francis Brocato, O.P. Ph.D., piano
	Violet Halpert, prose and poetry
	Ken Gumbert, O.P., Ph.D., visual arts
	Siena Recital Hall, Room 116
Nov. 5	Afternoon Tea and Mini-Recital: Rosalind Chua, piano
	Harris (Antoninus) House, 176 Eaton Street
Nov. 7	Noontime Brown Bag Student Recital
12:00 pm	Slavin Center, '64 hall
Nov. 7 8:00 pm	Music Caculty Recital -- Blackfriars Theatre, Harkins Hall
Nov 10	Arts Festival Closing Event: Music Ensembles Concert
2:00 pm	Blackfriars Theatre, Harkins Hall

New "Traditions"

by Venessa Anderson '99
A&E Asst. Editor

"Tradition!", a phenomenal song performed by the peasants of Anatevka, is the theme of the Blackfriars Theater's opening performance, *Fiddler on the Roof*. The play, directed by John Garrity, is the incredible story of a Jewish dairyman in Russia who tries to cope with changes happening in his world and tries to figure out whether they clash with his convictions and beliefs.

The play opens with Tevye, played by the visiting actor Tom Gleadow, explaining his background and communicating with the fiddler (Abigail Christian '99). Gleadow presents a convincing character. His obvious experience and terrific voice help carry the play. Christian is sweet and persuasive in her role as the fiddler.

After "Tradition" and the prologue stimulated the audience, scene one introduces the characters Hodel (Elizabeth Benson '97), Chava (Jennifer E. Cuddy '00), Tzeitel (Elizabeth R. Leonard '98), and the impressive character of Golde, played magnificently by Amanda Blake Davis '98. Davis, a veteran to the Blackfriars Theater, portrays the strong natured domineering wife of Tevye to almost perfection.

An example of her amazing ability is found in the second act with the song, "Do You Love Me." The song is a melodious banter between the husband and wife. Tevye asked Golde if she really loves him after twenty five years of marriage. Like Ricky Ricardo in "I Love Lucy," Golde tactfully avoids the question. Flying around the stage like a flushed, embarrassed, but too proud to admit it middle aged mother, Davis pre-

Ascoli (musical director), was emotional and superb. Cuddy's drama was moving, especially near the end when she pleads with Tevye to accept her. Leonard also performed well as a very convincing older sister.

The suitors who take the three older daughters away from their father play an important role in the plot. The energetic and extremely nervous character of Motel was played excellently by Nicholas J. Shabrack '98. "Miracle of Miracles" was a humorously touching love song. The way Shabrack sang the line, "When

song, with its catchy beat, spirited singers and entertaining dance made me want to get out of my seat and dance. (Thankfully I restrained myself.) The success of the dance is largely indebted to Lenny Machado, the choreographer. The Russian soldiers obviously were also essential to the scene. Misha (Stephen B. Radochia '97), Sasha (Michael Gargilio '00) and Fyedka were an integral piece to the unity that the song was trying to create. I also loved the part when the Russians were just starting to associate with the townsmen. Michael Gargilio's

voice was amazing! I particularly liked "To Life" because not only was it presented with fantastic animation, but because it is a message to break down the barriers of prejudice.

One of the most enjoyable scenes of the play was Act I, scene 7. It is the scene when Tevye tries to convince Golde that their daughter, Tzeitel, should marry the young tailor, Motel, not Lazar Wolf, the old butcher Tzeitel was originally suppose to marry.

Tevye came up with a brilliant plan to make up a dream, incorporating their Granma Tzeitel (Roberta MacIvor '97) and Fruma Sarah (Cayte Castrillion '99), the dead wife of Lazar Wolf, into the plot of scaring Golde so much that she will want Tzeitel to marry Motel. "The Dream" is a whimsical combination of direction, singing, acting, and script. Everything melted together sublimely.

The wedding scene was an impressive piece. It combined everything within ten minutes. "Sunrise Sunset," accompanied the wedding ceremony to begin the scene. The emotions of joy and sadness ran through the characters

minds. Gleadow and Davis portrayed the proud, yet somber par-

explainable hate, the need for traditions, and the urge to change are



Clockwise: Jen Cuddy, Amanda Davis, Tom Gleadow, Liz Leonard, Liz Benson, Jaime Babstock and Denise Tracy

ents. The ceremony ended with the breaking of the glass and the crowd starts to celebrate. An argument occurred when Lazar Wolf presented his wedding gift (five chickens) to the wedding couple but said that Tevye had shamed him in front of the whole village. It subsided when Perchik scolded the townspeople for their bickering, but again emotions flared when Perchik broke the tradition and asked Hodel to dance. Emotions started again to subside when Tevye asked the reluctant and burned up Golde to dance. When everything was finally resolved, the Russian soldiers were given orders to bombard the wedding and completely ruin any possibility of salvaging the day. What is so profound about this scene is that it illustrates such a wide range of emotions. Pure love, absurd and un-

just a few emotions that were illustrated in a couple of minutes. I was impressed that the cast could pull off this scene. Their obvious dedication and hard work on the scene were apparent.

It is a shame that the theater department's production of *Fiddler on the Roof* sold out so quickly. There are so many people out there that could learn so much from this simple story. There was a student sitting behind me. When he got up to leave at the end of the play (as I was sniffing my last sniffle) he blurted out, "God, I'm glad that's done. I'm just not a play person." I have to wonder - Did this student say this only because he was so touched that he didn't want to seem vulnerable? I think so. How could anyone not be touched by the simple faith one man has in God?



Tevye and Golde

David slew Goliath... YES!" was particularly memorable. The character of Perchik, played by Brian E. Cannel '99, was realistic. Canell illustrated the awkward, love struck student successfully. Fyedka (Richard Powell '00), although a bit underdeveloped in the

script, also added a great deal of talent and energy to the cast.

Other entertaining contributors were the Jewish

townsmen Mordcha (Eric Cutler '98), Mendel (Christopher Saulnier '99), Avram (Michael P. Sablone '98), and Lazar Wolf (Scott Simonini '99). The song, "To Life," illustrated the enthusiasm these men had. The



Venessa's favorite picture: Mendel, Mordcha and Avram run through the male version of "Matchmaker"

sents her character beautifully.

The daughters also gave an impressive performance. Benson's crystal voice was joy. Her portrayal of "Far From the Home I Love," with the help of James

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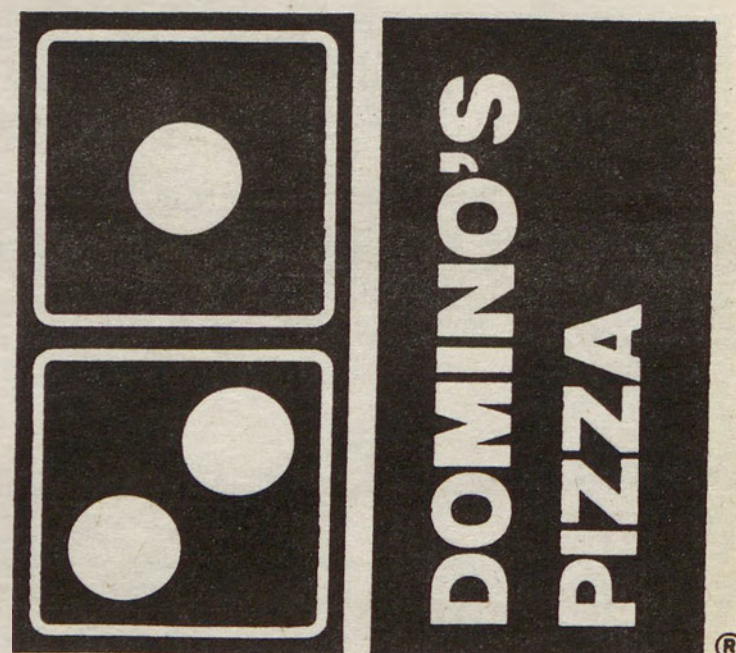
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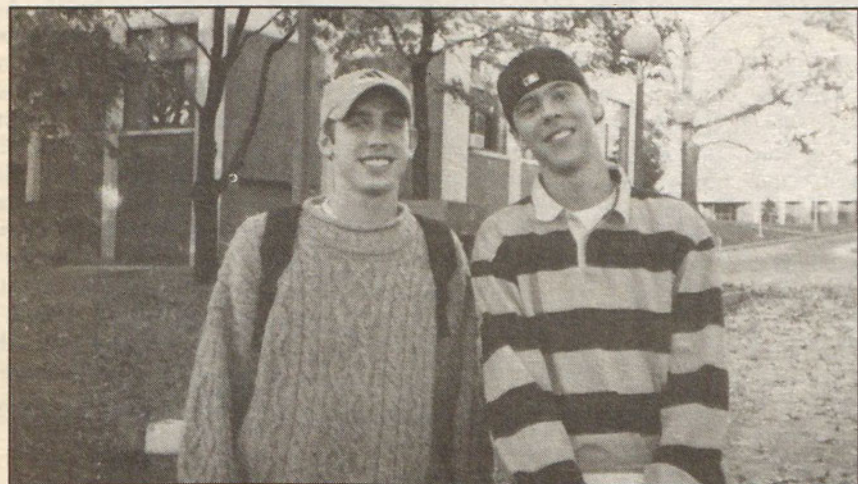
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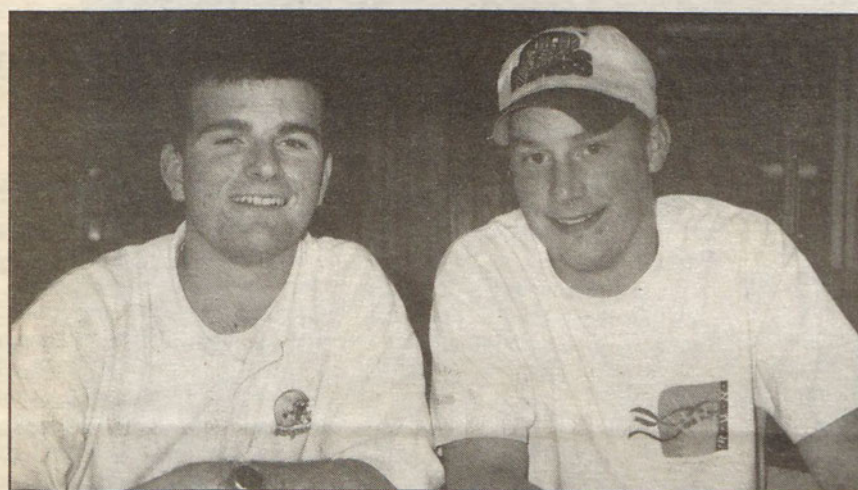
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Andy Dunn '99 & Ryan O'Rourke '99
"Do you have to register for that?"



Kate Luciani '97 & Susy St. Laurent '97
"Whoever Cathy O. says!"



Kevin Hunter '99 & Justin Croteau '99
"Bob Dole because he makes good bananas!"



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"Friar Boy because he's the only candidate who's house trained!!!"



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"Bernie Williams of the NY Yankees because he's a Renaissance man!"

Matty and Rizzo: "Bill Clinton because he has a better chance of actually living four more years!!!"

Showers The "Real" World

by Patrick Canole '97
Features Writer

O.K. I know I should be doing some homework right now, but I'm going to go ahead and write an article instead. I have a test and a paper that I should be paying attention to, but this is a fairly constructive form of procrastination, so I'll stick with it for now.

Ever have to go without the comforts for modern life? Really makes you appreciate them, eh? This happened to me this morning, and I'll never take hot water for granted again.

I first noticed the problem while I was cleaning up after myself in the kitchen. Cold water just does not cut it on my dirty dishes and greasy pots and pans. No matter how much dish washing liquid I used, I had problems. I finally ended up having to boil water to clean my pan.

The problem grew significantly more immediate this morning when shower time came. The decision not to shower before my 8:30 was fairly easy to make. I turned the water on, stuck my hand in, then left the bathroom screaming. I went to my 8:30 with my hat that I wear about 2 times per year. Upon reentering the building at 9:30, a quick survey conducted on the stairway revealed that the phenomenon had manifested itself throughout the building. When I got back, preliminary testing revealed discouraging results: the water was still ice cold. A decision had to be made on whether or not to continue with my plans to shower. I decided to be a man and took off my clothes and then, after wondering why my roommate and his girlfriend were making funny faces at me (at least I think it was my roommate; it's just some guy that sleeps there sometimes), I grabbed my towel.

I jumped in the water as bravely as I could. When the water hit my

skin, I was instantly reminded of those outdoor showers they have outside of mid-rate beach motels, where they spray icy water on you to get the ocean off. Once I was in there for a few minutes, I realized it wasn't that bad. According to popular mythology, a cold shower should be taken to settle down and help relax certain impulses. I however found myself feeling quite the opposite, as my nipples were practically leaping off my chest.

When I finally shut the water off, I was pleasantly surprised when hot air rushed into the stall instead of the normal burst of cool air that I have grown accompanied to (O.K., for all you physics nuts out there, I know the air wasn't really any warmer than usual, it just seemed that way, blah blah blah, cold doesn't really exist, there is only the presence or lack of heat, blah blah blah. Well shut up, because you're starting to ruin my article . . .). I towed off quickly, and found myself refreshed and full of energy as I got ready for my 10:30.

Fortunately, hot water and I were reunited some time in the afternoon. My next shower will be as hot as I can stand it. But after that, I think I will begin a rigorous program of conditioning myself for cold water showers. That way, I'll be able to tolerate a cold shower if they need ever arises again. Also, to be quite honest, I kind of liked it. So, I guess the moral of the story is that I am less technology-dependent than I thought. I shouldn't be afraid to try new things, and Features, whether your reading 'em or writing 'em, is just a really good way to pass a little time.

Note: Be sure to look for Mike and Pat on the Great North American Shower Tour '96 - '97, coming soon to a floor near you (if Mike ever comes home again). Mazeltov!

by Ellen Mastrostefano '99
Features Writer

Picture this— It's a weekday afternoon and you don't have another class for an hour. So, you decide to veg out and watch the tube for awhile. As you're channel surfing, you come upon MTV. Your mind is immediately sucked into a disagreement between a boisterous hard- rocker, Brit, and an Australian model. Then, you hear that introduction that you know by heart— "This is the true story about seven people picked to live in a house....." Even though you may have seen this particular episode a million times before you are still drawn to it. What is it that makes this show so addicting (besides boredom)?

Some may say that the title of this show is a misnomer. How REAL is *The Real World*? Question any newly- graduated college senior if they have interesting roommates, a cool house, and people with cameras following them around. They will probably tell you that they are presently living with mom and dad, in their old bedroom (complete with leftover Motley Crue posters). The houses in the show are not only designed by top architects and decorated accordingly, but they are also located in thriving cities. Think about it— New York, Los Angeles, London and now Boston. In other words, I'm not going to hold my breath for a *Real World VII* in Greenville, Rhode Island. Now, what about the casts? I don't think you will ever have an opportunity

to really see a bike messenger, a doctor and a rap musician all living under the same roof. The odds are a million to one. Let me ask you another question. If you knew that every move you made and thing you said was being recorded for an audience to see, wouldn't you act differently? I sure would.

So, what does make this show so habit-forming? Viewers tend to take sides on an argument between two people that they have never even met. There is also a certain

the plot develop by itself. As a result, we have seen many important issues such as prejudice and the AIDS epidemic communicated to us in everyday living. The only hard parts are picking the cast members (millions apply), finding a location and building a house.

Although the show tends to feed into society's stereotypes (in that you will never see a cast of only one nationality), it does allow us to see people for who they are and not for their heritage or

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soap opera quality to the show. You never can guess what is going to happen next. There are interesting characters, a cool house, new situations, good tunes - what more can you ask for in a half hour show?

MTV has struck a gold mine with *The Real World*. They had an original idea (something that other networks struggle with) of putting a group of diverse people in one living area. They don't have to deal with writing weekly scripts or actors' salaries. Instead, they let

lifestyles. It is very interesting to see the relationships that begin and see how friendships are born. The show stresses the importance of friendship as well as our common unity as human beings. *The Real World* also urges us to examine ourselves. What is it that makes us interesting and different? However, you cannot answer that question by passively sitting in front of the television set. Go out and do something, be somebody. Do not forget, if you don't make it on *The Real World* there is always *Road Rules*.

A Touch of Fiction Returning Home...

by Lori D. McCrehan '99
Features Editor

The smell of the sea air made me feel as though I was coming home, even though I was far from it. I longed to spend endless days on the beach like I had during the summer. The sand squished beneath my sneakers, and the wind whipped through my hair. I stopped for a moment and stared out into the sea. The waves crashed upon the beach and seemed to call my name.

I took a deep breath and walked towards the water, ambling over various rocks and clumps of seaweed. I allowed the water to touch the tip of my sneakers, but backed away before it could have the chance to swallow them. I took a deep breathe, pressed play on my walkman, and started to run. My feet hit the sand fast at first, but the pace slowed as my car grew to be merely a dot in the distance. Occasionally I would speed up with the music, but for the most part, the pace was slow and steady.

I watched the scenery go by and took in the air that I had longed to breathe in.

As the time passed my breathing became short, and my shins begged me to stop. Deciding not to ignore the pleas of my body, I slowed from a trot to a walk. I wanted to run more, but it is harder to run with the wind against you. I

and started the journey back to my car. I was not really sure how far I had run, but I knew that my car was nowhere in sight. However, I did not really mind walking back. It gave me the chance to look at everything in more detail, the things that I may have missed as I ran by.

The sun reflected a perfect circle upon the blue, almost too

never really went sailing, but now I had an overwhelming desire to swim to the boat and jump aboard.

I was startled by voices behind me. I was too busy imagining myself in the mysterious sailboat, that I neglected to notice that I was no longer walking, but sort of shuffling along. An older couple walked by me and continued up the beach. Their hands were clasped and they walked in unison. I wanted to congratulate them for being happy. There were not many couples that would spend an October afternoon strolling on the beach. Maybe someday I could be like that.

I tried to convince myself that the air was still warm, but my legs were covered with goose bumps. I had thought about wearing pants, but it seemed silly when the sun was shining as bright as it would on a summer day. Besides that, the ocean water was starting to seep in through my shoes, soaking my socks and giving me the chills. I strained my eyes to see my car. Almost there.

The sand was littered with endless footprints, yet there was no one on the beach except for me and the couple. I wondered where they all went. Did they crave the beach like I had? I needed one last day in a place that I would love to call home. I have denied that the end of the beach days were coming, but the red windburn on my legs strengthened my opinion that there would never be another day like this. I felt free and childish. Never again.

The sight of my car made me remorseful. As cold as I was, I did not want to leave. I had no desire to return to the stifling city. Sometimes I just needed to drive to the sun.

Nevertheless, I collapsed into the car and turned the heat on high. As the air became warm, I stared once more at the ocean. I thought I heard it say goodbye before I drove away. I drove away from the light, knowing that one day I would return and not have to say farewell.

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spotted a rock in the distance and chose it as my destination. I sat beside it and pulled my feet into a butterfly stretch, content. The run had soothed me. Now the ocean air was to calm me.

I knew that I must get back at some point. I reluctantly stood up

blue, water. The reflection seemed to engulf the one lonely sailboat and make it seem so small. It seemed to follow the boat as if drifted aimlessly. I imagined that I was on the boat, bundled in a warm jacket, enjoying the air and the seagulls that soared above. I

How Rude! solitude

by Ali Fallon '98
Features Writer

Why do some people insist upon taking up two parking spots? I have never been able to understand why someone would do this? Is it to aggravate other people who they know will want to park in one of the spots? Is it because they are lazy and just don't feel like parking the car again if they can't stay between the lines the first time? Is it because they just do not know how to park? More likely, they are doing what is quick and easy for them without taking into consideration how their actions will affect others.

Have you ever realized how often the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as they do to you", is broken? Everyday, everywhere you go you can witness blatant displays of people's lack of consideration for one another. From getting that big wad of pink gum stuck to the bottom of your shoes because someone else didn't have the courtesy to wait until a garbage can to throw it out, to when you pour a bowl of cereal for breakfast only to discover that someone put the milk carton back in the refrigerator empty instead of throwing it out. We have all experienced such situations.

For example, take those messages that you've gotten from your friends at other colleges right smack in the middle of the day. Sure you are happy to hear from them, but it is quite clear why they chose to call you at 12:30 in the afternoon; they knew that you would be in class or at lunch and not home! Therefore, they could leave you a nice two minute message and you would have to call back and get hit with the long distance charges! In regards to the

phone, how aggravating is it to check your voice mail and hear that you have three new messages, and then discover that they are all hang-ups! If someone is not going to leave a message, why would they bother listening to your whole greeting and then hanging up on your machine? Just hang up right away!

At some time or another, everyone has been the person in the

people to print a paper that is due in ten minutes!

We have all been on both sides of these types of situations. The amazing thing is that it takes only a minute of effort to avoid them. So, the next time that you are about to let fifteen of your closest "friends" cut you on line, think about the poor people who have been waiting behind you. You certainly would not want to be in their

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bathroom when there is only a tiny little square of toilet paper left! Of course, everyone you live with will swear they weren't the last one in there when you express your discontent, but someone had to be! Or what about when you lend your car to a friend for a two minute trip down the street, and it is not returned to you for several hours (and missing the full tank of gas that you had in it)! And, how about all of those people who insist upon playing games and surfing the internet in the computer lab while you are waiting in a line of six

shoes! Or the next time that you get someone else's mail, rather than just throwing on the floor where it will probably be lost for all eternity, take the fifteen second walk to the end of the mail room and stick it in the misdirected box, or at least put it on top of the mailboxes. You never know how important that letter may be to someone else! It doesn't take much time or effort to be considerate, but it makes a world of difference to others!

By emily Benfer '99
features writer

i look into a Broken piece of looking glass and see only a distorted image of self, for in the process of reaching out and connecting all the gossamer strings, flowing from each individual i encountered i thought i would soon fill the emptiness and deepness of the one Black corner of soul. But i only added to the confusion creating such overwhelming chaos. turn around and away from the clutter and vast searching and inward to a closer realization of self, to an understanding, to a peace. By method of an interior exploration, define self and worth; realize the one true connection and the solid Bonds within.

neglect, mounted layers upon layers, of true existence deter the visions of our inner life. peel away the rusted and oozing masses of time that wear away, extinguishing their actual existence, in the search of simplicity. such clarity may only Be achieved in moments of solitude. solitude, the solemn Breath of peace and wholeness, is where entirety of oneself

lives.

finding the clearing, focus on the simplicity of a clear vessel of life giving rain. strive to reach such purity in order to calm the chaos. the living water, each flowing drop understood and integrated with another. life, such as this, flows perfected within. follow its current deeper inside as it will discover the foundation of human growth and knowledge otherwise for Bidden.

this, the time of Blindness and questioning, signifies a growing of spirit and a deeper experience of self. failure to recognize the figure in the mirror is not a loss of self but an indication of change. By Breathing in the peace filled air of solitude we settle the inner struggle. we will not find within a death But a growth. By Becoming what we are determined to Be, we will experience clarity and discover the paradise we all carry inside.

Thought of the Week

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And The Band Played on...

by Kate Fournier '99
Features Writer

Plagued by midterms and bombarded with papers, I was unable to forge into the unknown for material for my column, "Sites in the City." You may call me lazy and uninspired, but I will try to make it up to my devoted readers with a semi-phenomenal article about the Providence College pep band. This is a group which demands recognition for their contributions to the athletic spirit of Providence College.

I have been a member of the pep band for the past two years (which is the reason why this article is highly biased), and I have had to endure band abuse. Yes, I have been lovingly labeled a "band geek" by my peers. But do I care? No, because I am always proud to don my black shirt and take my place in the second row with the other clarinets. The PC pep band plays an integral role in the athletic organization. Responsibilities include playing at all home men's basketball games, all home men's hockey games, and many women's basketball games. The group is expected to give 100%, even when the team is losing. The level of spirit among the fans depends upon the pep band.

Pep band members travel in packs, often weighed down by

bulky tuba cases and snatching at music blowing away in the breeze. They attend weekly practices and work as hard as they party. And they are always happy, probably because they sit behind the net at all basketball games. They inflame the crowd with their catchy tunes, and they are often the most passionate of PC fans.

However, the pep band does not receive all the acclaim that it deserves. Although there is the oc-

casional "You sounded good" from the adoring parent, the pep band leaves most events feeling unappreciated. For example, at Midnight Madness, the pep band played for alumni as they entered Peterson. Then the group performed during the alumni dinner. Finally, after an hour and a half, the band entered the gym to play for the students. However, when

it came time to acknowledge the efforts of participating students, the band was neglected while the cheerleaders and dance team received resounding applause. Providence College athletic events would not be the same without the music of the pep band. Imagine the PC vs. Georgetown game without any cheers from behind the basket. Imagine a hockey game without *When the Saints Go Marching In*. The pep band is a tra-

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Why I will Fail Out of School

by Brian Kenney '99
Features Writer

Last year I wrote about my tendency to procrastinate. Back then procrastination was more difficult because I was not able to use the television as a source of putting my work off. I was deprived of cable and it's forty some odd channels that I so loved to surf. Without cable to take the place of my work, I was forced to rely on new methods. I made rubber band balls, paper clip necklaces, took three hour naps, and on a few occasions went to the extreme and cleaned my room. Though time consuming, these distractions always allowed more than enough time to do my work.

This year procrastination is far too easy to do. I have cable, and waste my time watching *Singled Out* and stupid reruns of *Road Rules*. Once I even made a conscious decision to watch the NASA channel just so I didn't have to study for Civ.

Until now these diversions were not enough to have any drastic affect on my grades, but my roommate recently purchased a new tool to add to my procrastination arsenal. It is a tool so deadly and addictive that few people have

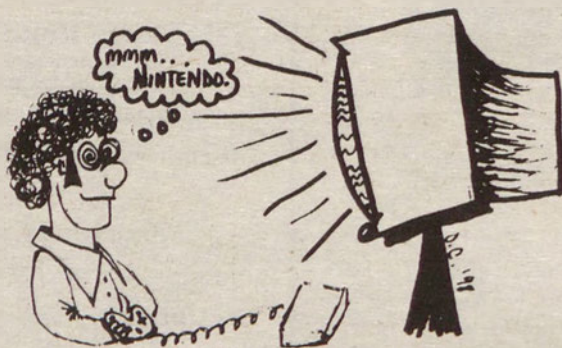
enough strength to run from it's grasp. Yes, that's right, my room is equipped with Nintendo 64.

So far we have only one game: Super Mario 64. This game is unbelievable. Its graphics create a virtual world that is a heaven for any procrastinator. It is not hard to find yourself playing the game for hours and never once think about the outside world. Mario 64 allows you to run freely through

nowhere near ending.

Even the new control stick helps you procrastinate. The Nintendo 64 control stick is an ergonomically designed controller that has fourteen buttons and an analog control stick. Figuring out and getting used to the control stick alone will waste a good portion of an afternoon.

I recommend the new Nintendo 64 to any procrastinator who is



annoyingly addictive obstacle courses, deserts with quicksand, and water levels with sunken boats and stinging eels. The goal is to retrieve Power Stars from their hidden locations and prepare for battle against Bowser, the king of the Koopas. My roommates and I already have over sixty of these stars and the game seems to be

bored with the usual methods of procrastination. The best part about this new system is that all new games are starting to come out for the holidays. That means there will be enough games to keep your mind off the real important stuff like exams and deadlines. The only downside is that you might fail out of school.

An Apartment in the City

by Lori D. McCrevan
Features Editor

I have a twin sister. I thought that it was time that I shared that fact because some people get very angry when they finally hear the news. Apparently, people would like me to introduce myself and then share that I have a sister that looks just like me. As much as I do like her, this is my time to discover what it is like to be me. We have shared our lives for so long, and now we have the chance to live away from home and away from each other.

The problem is that I wish she was here more often than I care to admit. We have lived together for eighteen years, and roommates are a different story. We each have a corner of the room that we throw all of our "stuff" into, and we do not dare clean it. It is just understood that trying to do so may have hazardous consequences. No questions asked. My roommates and I would like to boast that we have a clean apartment, so there is no more room for corners of stuff. Everything is organized.

Another new concept was the fact that we had to call each other. I have never called my sister. There was no need. We were usually in the vicinity of the house, so it was much easier to yell. Besides it was a lot more fun to scare my mother with our yelling. When we talk, sometimes there is too much to say, and other times there is nothing at all. There is nothing in between. A phone call does not always ameliorate a situation; sometimes it makes it harder to be away.

I visited my sister, at the request of her friends. They wanted to meet the twin. I think she wanted me to come so that she could show me off. She wanted to prove that I really did exist, and that I was nothing like her. We

have tried to tell people that we do not act alike. They think we are kidding. I actually had to convince one of the women that I work with that there was two of us. She just wanted to call me Lisa all the time because it was easier. The woman seemed rather surprised that I did not go along with this. I gave up the fight and dared not explain why I was given a name also.

I tried to convince people that we are not alike, but we have come to the conclusion that we need to be observed together. I tend to create a discussion, and she will contribute to it. We compliment each other. However, that does not mean that if you hit me she will feel it. Do not even ask. We look like sisters, but as for twins I am not so sure. I think we can prove that by finishing each other's sentences and listening to odd songs the same week, no matter how far apart we are.

I was swept into this nostalgic feeling when my mother brought out the photo albums a few weeks ago. After eating Chinese food, we all decided to guess which baby was me and the other way around. We were able to determine the information by the faces alone. She could smile and look photogenic. I just looked like I was trying to pose for a photo. As embarrassing as this session proved to be, it was fun. I was different from the moment that I was born. There is no way that I would change that.

I cannot take her out of my life. In fact, I wish that she was here more often. So, we wait until we graduate and find our apartment in the city. When we have enough money, we will spend the summers on the beach. We need to be together to make up for the time that we spent apart. There is only so much time that you can live without your better half.

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Me and My Ant Farm

by Sarah Antonielli '98
Features Writer

I bought an ant farm at the Emerald Square Mall about a month ago. It came with a cute little plastic container with a farm scene painted on top, some fake looking white sand stuff, a connecting tube for when I decide to expand, and a coupon to send away for my own colony of ants. I was, needless to say, quite excited. I started thinking of names for the little guys and started to figure out what they would eat. I wondered how many ant farms I could stack together to form an ant village. No, forget the village, I was looking to build a whole city. I wanted streets, skyscrapers, mass production: I wanted freakin' New York Ant City!

My roommates didn't understand my vision and wanted to know where I was planning on keeping these ants. Right near my bed so I could watch them, of course. My immediate roommate, Leah, laughed politely and forced a smile. I think she inwardly

from California and had a whole bunch of legal-looking stuff typed all over it. I let out a yelp of excitement and booked it to my apartment, where my new-found friends' happy home was patiently waiting on my dresser.

On my way home with my little package, I told everyone I saw that my ants had arrived. I got many strange looks and a few smart remarks about how they were all probably dead. I made the mistake of telling a certain Hall Director about the arrival of my ants: He wasn't too happy with the idea of ants purposely being brought into a building. But nothing could stand in the way of my ants and their happiness, so I continued to my room.

I burst through the door and announced to my roommates the arrival of my new miniature buddies. I was met with groans and sighs of disbelief. But my ants needed me, so I ran and got the ant farm. I set myself up at the dining room table and proceeded to make the final preparations. This took longer than I thought. (An ant can

jumped behind B.K., shuddering at the sight of these enormous beasts. Erin did her best to force the angry critters into the ant farm, but a good portion of them managed to escape and fall into the sink. These mammoth animals were climbing their way out of the sink, determined to take over our apartment. I forced the cover back on the ant farm as Erin ran the water, forcing the AWOL ants down the drain. She started pumping our Dial Antibacterial hand soap down the sink to coat the pipes and force the monsters down. These escaped ants were no longer my companions: they were the enemy. As they made their way up the pipes and started once again climbing out of the sink, I ran to boil some water as Erin reached for the bleach.

The ants that made it into the ant farm container were shaken up, to say the least. I'm afraid to say a few got decapitated in the transportation process. The ones that survived were mixed among ant limbs and pieces of antennas. I left them some time to themselves to mourn and come to grips with their losses, while B.K. and I took off to go swimming.

Later that night, when I returned, I sat down at the dining room table with my ant farm. Actually, the first thing I did was check the bathroom sink for stray ants, and then I went to my farm. The little guys seemed to be doing okay. They were crawling around, moving little bits of the white sand stuff. They didn't look so threatening behind the plastic walls. In fact, they were kind of cute. I sat and watched them moving around. They would pick up the heads and dead ant parts and carry them to one side of the ant farm. They would move some more of the white sand stuff around, then they would move the ant parts to another location. They did this for hours. They just moved stuff around the ant farm and then moved it back.

I began to tell them apart. There were the two that tried to be the leaders and start building tunnels, and there was a group that followed them. Then there was that stupid ant that kept moving in the opposite direction of everyone else and undoing what they had done. A few ants just kind of moped around on their own, stopping often and just standing there. Leah said they were dying, but I think they were pondering life. Then there was the one, my favorite, who followed everyone around and cleaned up after them. This one reminded me of my mom. I started to understand these little creatures, and I think they started to understand me.

I sat in front of that ant farm without moving for five straight hours. Okay, that's not true. I got up once to make hot chocolate. When I started bickering with them and not speaking to certain ants, I knew I had had enough for one night. I placed them carefully on the bookshelf in the living room, (Leah needs a little more coaxing before they move into the bedroom) and tucked myself into bed, ready for a whole night of pleasant dreams about my new found friends.

never be too comfortable.) I ran back to Slavin and met B.K., my little buddy from PC Pals, and dragged her back to my apartment. Together, we opened up the little box and took out a sealed vial filled with ants. The instructions said to refrigerate the ants for fifteen minutes, so I put the vial in the fridge, hoping my roommates wouldn't see it and overreact at the sight of a container of ants next to the mayo.

B.K. and I wanted to go swimming and were too impatient to sit and wait for the ants to chill, so after about five minutes, we took them out of the refrigerator. The intention was to make the ants cold enough to slow their movement. They weren't moving so B.K. and I got ready to dump them into the ant farm. After much pleading on my roommate's part, I opened up the vial over the bathroom sink. I had the ant farm in one hand and the vial of ants in the other, and I started to pour the ants into the farm.

I don't know what the ants were doing in the vial, but as soon as I tipped it, the ants came alive. They all started climbing over each other and all over the sides of the vial. They were big and red and looked nothing like the cute little cartoons on the side of the ant farm box. They started crawling like mad toward my hand and I screamed for someone to help. Erin, one of my roommates, came running over and grabbed the vial from me. I

Poetry Morning Song

by Carrie Hanscom '99
Contributing Writer

I dreamt I went alone at night
Along an emerald shore,
In a dragons land of crystal sands
From enchanting mystic lore.
The diamond stars within the sky
Splashed light across the world.
Two shimmering crescent moons
Cast the night in pearl.
And in the night the northern lights
Danced green and blue and red,
Above this land of soothing sands
That knew not pain or dread.
Within the night I waded through
The warm and rhythmic tides.
I wandered by the shallow pools
Along the calm seaside.
And from the stagnant shallow pools
My soul gazed back at me.
And mirrored in my eyes I saw
The image of the sea.
Beneath the pale hypnotic light
I ran across the land;
Until at length I came upon
My tracks within the sand.
And in the night, ghostly lights
Ran red against the sky,
Above the solemn blackened land
And apathetic tides.
And by the endless silent shore
I roamed eternally
In a distant, deathly, timeless land
By a cold and sunless sea.

Corner

by Yvonne M. Arsenault '99
Features Writer

It is that time in the semester where life may be in a lull. Midterms are over and the enormous mass of work that always ends the semester has not started yet. It is time to take a deep breath of air and concentrate on one of the more important things in life: the color of the sky.

This probably sounds very off-the-wall and you are wondering where I got such an idea from, but this is what I was thinking about today. The color of the sky can be pink, blue, yellow, purple, white, gray - practically any color you can imagine. It's not just the color that is amazing, either. The clouds form neat shadows on each other and on the earth. Watch how the sun light plays off the clouds and forms an awesome color pattern and creates a feeling of ethereal beauty.

All this talk about color and clouds really isn't my point, though. The concept that you may have time to think about the color of the sky or even that you notice the color of the sky is very important. It is so easy to get caught up in the stress of classes, the daily problems, the whirlwind of work; so, remembering to appreciate what you have is asking a little too much.

Take a look around you. Look at all the students walking to class, and notice the leaves that are on the ground or the ones still holding onto their tree limbs. Look at

your friends and your life here at PC and realize how much your life has changed in these past months. Look at yourself and think about what you want for your future and how that's different from what you wanted in the past. This is a great time to take time for yourself and to do the things that you have not been able to do since arriving here in September. Take a walk with a friend on a gorgeous afternoon, go to Alumni for breakfast instead of Raymond, call up an old friend, or write a letter to your grandmother.

Even if you have an extremely

busy week, take time for yourself. Get back to the basics - who you love, why you are here, the beauty of the world around you. There is so much going on that can distract us from the basics that every once in a while it is necessary to remind ourselves what is truly important in life. Even the things that are not really important, but are taken for granted. The sky, once remembered, may bring such joy that it was worth the time taken.

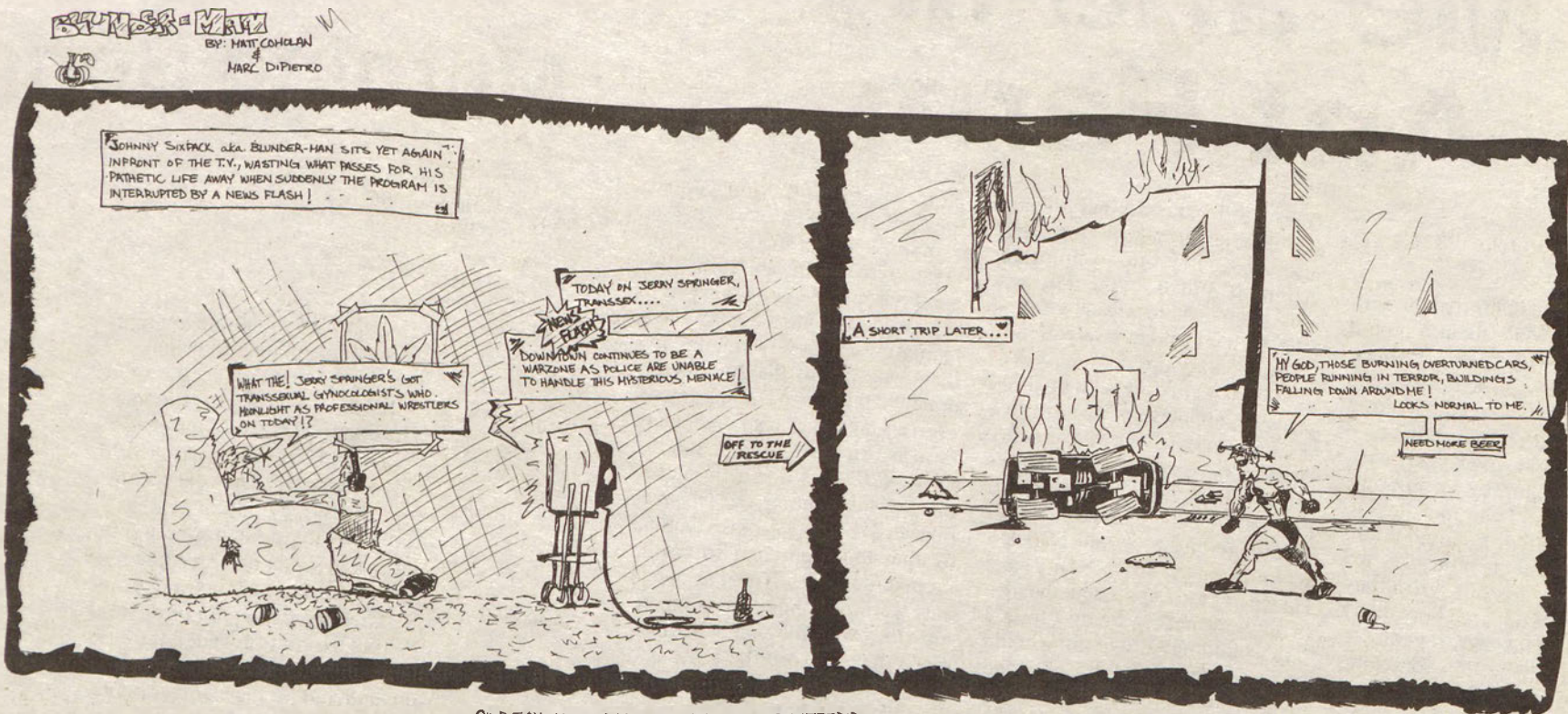


started planning how to fit this great ant city of mine in the freezer. But, being the good friend that she is, she tried to share in my excitement as best she could, and I think she even managed an "Oh, boy," at one time. After all, the ants hadn't come yet.

I filled out the coupon, included the shipping and handling, and sent my ant order on its way. I put the sand and some bread crumbs in the ant farm and tried to make the place like home for my little soon-to-be companions. I built a little shrine for it and placed it on my dresser, in anticipation of the day to come when I would finally meet my tiny friends.

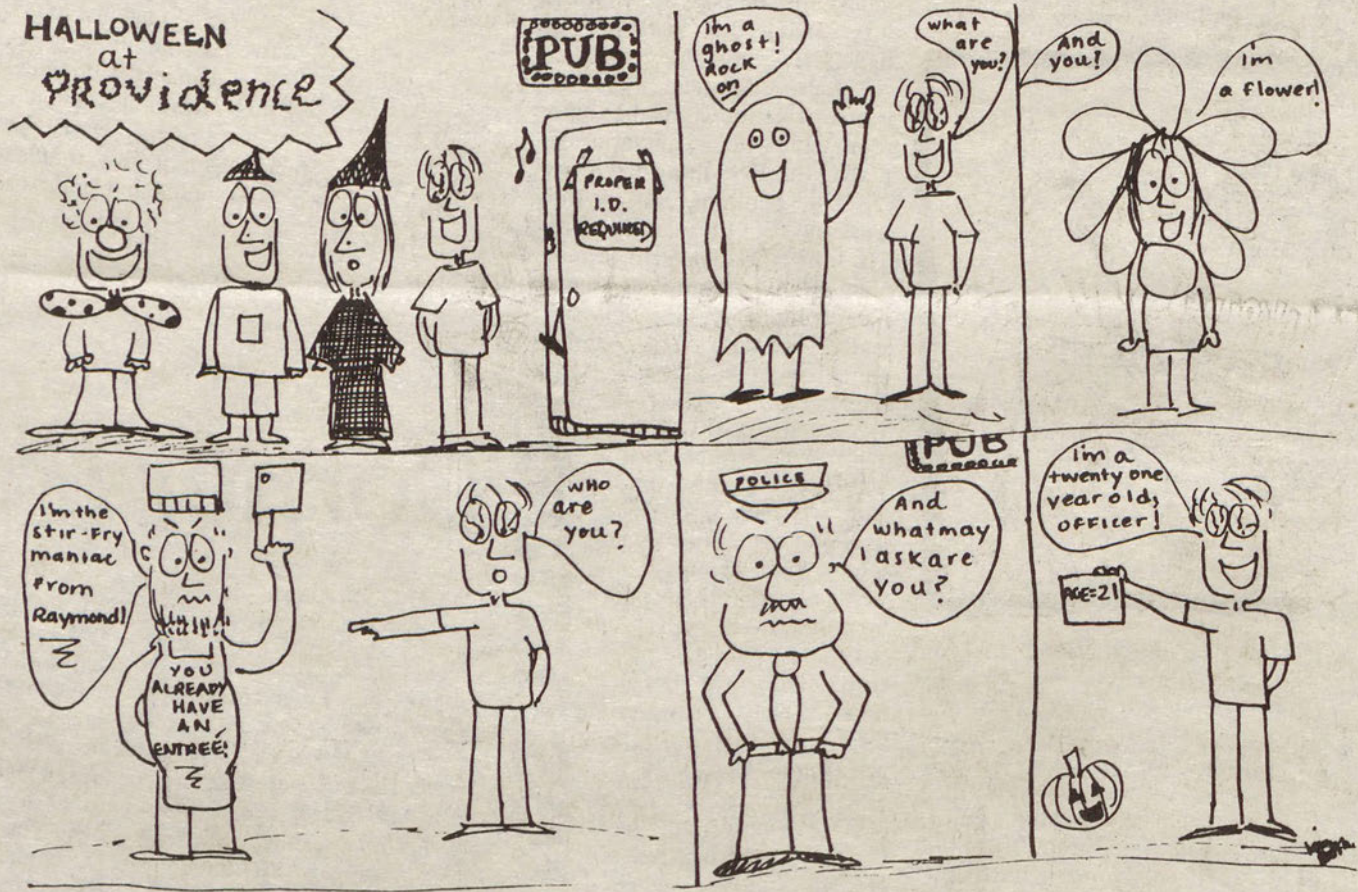
I forgot about the ants by the end of the week. I got caught up in another one of the random, passing whims that I am known for having. I started weaving a pine needle basket. I stayed in Friday nights soaking the needles and wrapping them together. I worked on it for weeks and, as of two days ago, completed an inch and a half of the base for the basket. I haven't even gotten to the weaving yet. But, my pine needle basket story is for another time. I'm just mentioning it here to emphasize the point that my ant farm was one of the furthest things from my mind when I went to check my mail yesterday.

My excitement for my ant friends quickly returned when I took the little package from my mailbox. It was sent First Class

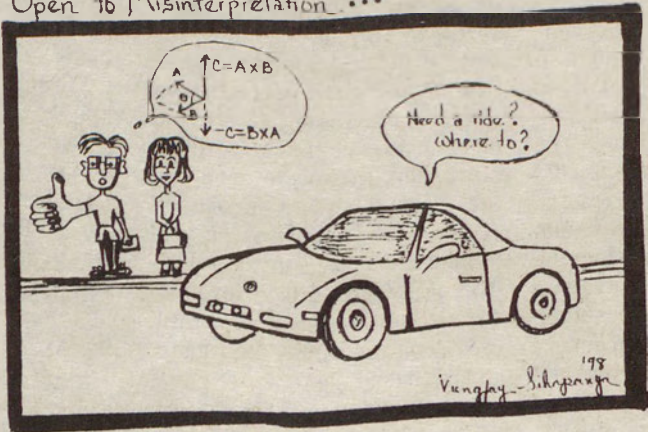


OH, BUT ALL IS NOT BACK TO NORMAL FOR OUR INTREPID, SLIGHTLY IMPAIRED HERO, BECAUSE LURKING A FEW BLOCKS AHEAD IS THE MOST FOUL AND HIDEOUS CREATURE TO EVER WALK THE EARTH. A CREATURE WHOSE NAME IS SYNONYMOUS WITH FEAR AND DEATH.

TUNE IN NEXT WEEK FOR CHAPTER FOUR - ENTER: THE SPINDOOLE



Open to Misinterpretation...



While demonstrating the 'right-hand rule' of Physics, Chris discovers that science taken out of the classroom has dire consequences.

* Right-hand rule:
It has to do with vectors and directions and stuff!

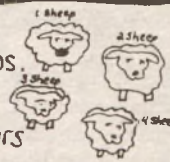
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
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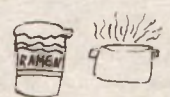
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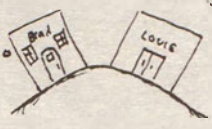
You can count the number of hours that you sleep on one hand.


3.


You consider Ramen noodles a Fifth Food group.


2.

You become acquainted with Louie and Brad.


1.

You count the days till you do laundry by counting how many pairs of clean underwear you have left.



Tara Lyn Hurley '98

THE RELATIVE PROGRESS OF JASON

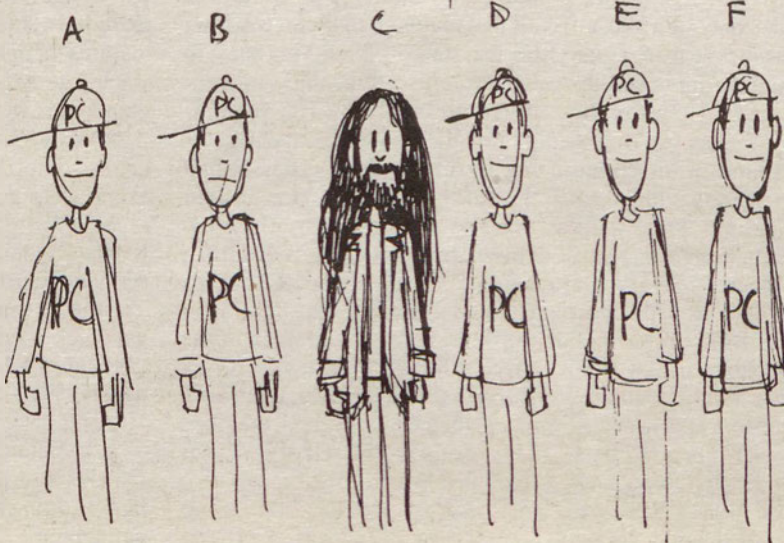


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answer: C

RAMBLE ON

By Todd McKeating '97
Sports Writer

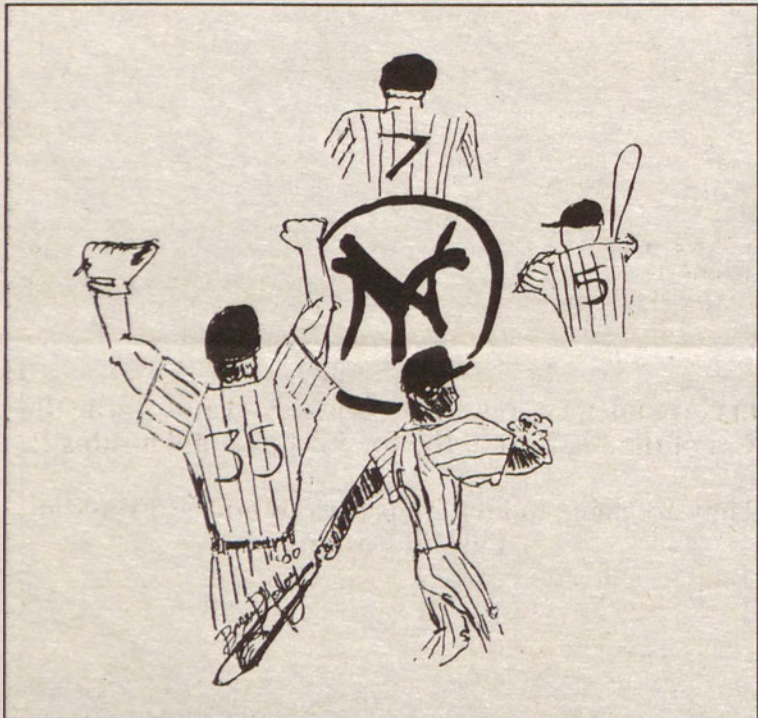
"Start spreading the news, I'm leaving today, I want to be a part of it, New York, New York...I want to wake up in a city that doesn't sleep, find you are King of the Hill, Top of the Heap...A Number One."

This tale of a filled with players fighting personal odds, career threatening injuries and an owner which will not except anything but the World Series Ring. They have battled back after squandering a 12 game lead late in the season, fought back in the post-season and refused to lose. However, the most storied franchise in sports history is different, and the 1996 World Champions New York Yankees is different from the previous 22 New York teams which won the World Series.

This tale did not begin in spring training, or through the course of the season, this tale began decades and decades ago. Fueled by some of the greatest names the game has ever seen, Ruth, Mantle, Maris, DiMaggio and Jackson, the New York Yankees epitomized excellence in the earlier decades. Children grew up expecting to see the

back page of the New York Post, as well as Steinbrenner's doghouse. They had a manager who waited 4,272 games, as a player and manager, to get to the World Series, more than anyone in history. He was a manager who knew about adversity and comebacks, heartaches and happiness, and a manager who would lead them back to the World Series for the first time since 1981. This team defied the odds, defied the critics and fought tooth and nail to the championship.

This team was defined by comebacks. Players fighting personal problems, career threatening injuries and coming from behind in six of the 11 post-season wins. They had to find the strength and the confidence to come back from an 0-2 deficit and defeat the defending World Series Champion Atlanta Braves. They responded by winning three straight games in Atlanta, thus, breaking the record for the most post-season wins on the road. No one on the team thought they were greater than the sum of the parts. All egos were left at the door, personal accomplishments put aside for the one common goal, to bring the World Series back to New York.



New York Yankees in the World Series. Their names grew synonymous with post-season play. A certain aura, a certain attitude presided over these teams. They had an arrogance. They knew they were the best and they were not afraid of letting anyone know it. It was always something more than the game itself with these "Damn Yankees", whether it was a fight the Boss, a 56 game hitting streak, the controversy of Maris' 61 home runs in '61 or Joltin Joe's marriage to Marilyn Monroe. Something transcended these teams into a media circus. Their accomplishments are seen in the record books, the number of World Series Championships and the monuments in centerfield which give tribute to the game's greatest players. On-lookers can embellish on these certain individual's accomplishments, their feats and accolades while dreaming about a franchise which is so revered, so hated, so loved and so much part of the game. However, the 1996 Yankees are different from the past 22 championship teams.

The 1996 Yankees were a team very hard to hate. There was not the brash arrogance, fights with Steinbrenner, or a manager who thought he was larger than life. There was a mix of rising superstars with veterans in the twilight of their career, looking for the magical ring. They managed to stay out of the tabloids and the

The epitome of the Yankees was centerfielder Bernie Williams. Williams, often criticized for being too soft, led the Yankees throughout the season and into the playoffs. During the playoffs he was the team's go-to player. If they needed a hit, a home run, a stolen base, Williams always provided in clutch. This was the Bernie Williams the Yankees have been waiting for, since they signed him at the age of 17. Perhaps his defining moment was in the American League Championship Series against the Baltimore Orioles. Williams provided the game-winning home run in extra innings, which Baltimore never recovered from.

How can anyone forget the heroics of David Cone. Picked up by the Yankees last season, Cone was their ace and the supposed-to-be key of the staff. However, he missed most of the season due to an aneurysm found in his shoulder. Cone managed to come back after surgery and provide a spark for the plundering Yankees.

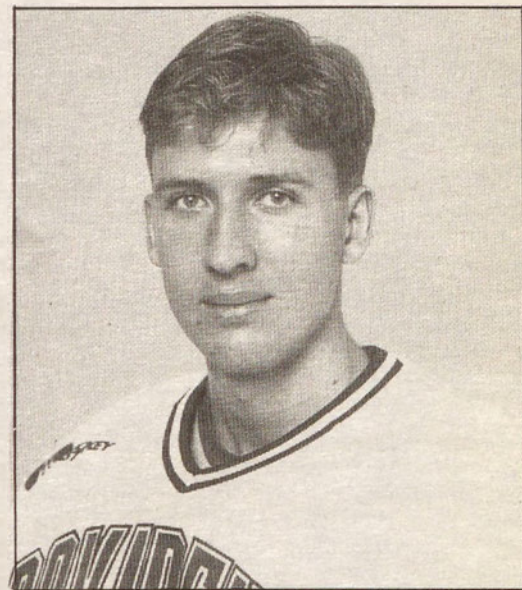
Darryl Strawberry and Dwight Gooden fought back from the most defying odds. Both these men were the cornerstone of the 1986 New York Mets. Coincidentally, they were members of the last team which came back from an 0-2 deficit after losing the first two games at home in the World Series to eventually capture the title. Strawberry and Gooden are each recov-

PC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Andrea Weyl '00
(Ridgefield, CT)
Field Hockey

Andrea, a goalie, helped the Lady Friar field hockey squad to a 2-1 record this week. Andrea recorded two shutouts between the posts, including a 1-0 Big East win over Syracuse University.



Dan Dennis '97
(Prince Albert, Saskatchewan)
Men's Hockey

Dan led the Friars to two Hockey East wins against Merrimack on Friday and Saturday. He stopped 65 of 67 shots, including all 34 in PC's 3-0 win on Saturday to register his first career shutout.

ering drug and alcohol abusers. Both men have found themselves out of baseball and out of money, but have been resurrected in New York. Irony, don't you think.

Rookie sensation Derek Jeter and catcher Jim Leyritz have been equally important in New York's rise this year. Leyritz, along with Williams, are the only Yankees who have spent more than four years with the club. Leyritz' heroics in Game Five of the World Series will never be forgotten. Jeter, probable Rookie of the Year, delivered with his solid defensive play and his spectacular offensive numbers.

Ten years ago Wade Boggs wore a different uniform and a different outlook. He played third base for the Boston Red Sox and watched as runner after runner went by him in Game Six of the World Series. Boggs was at Yankee Stadium for a series with the Yankees in 1986 when he received a call his mom was killed in a car accident. Irony that the most celebrated moment of his career would be at the place where he received the worst information of his life.

Joe Torre sat in the dugout every game, feeling the pain of his brother Rocco's death (from a heart attack this summer), and wondering if he will again see his brother Frank (who's been in the hospital since the summer waiting a heart transplant).

This team does not have the Hall of Fame caliber the previous Yankees had. What they have is heart and a will to win. They played the game. The game was all that mattered to them. They let all the stars in New York stay in the tabloids while they concentrated on baseball. The veterans guided the younger players, serving as role models. They fought the most improbable odds, in their life and on the diamond. How could they not have the will to win? The ghosts of past Yankees haunted them everyday, lurking in the outfield to remind them of the glory achieved by the past Bronx Bombers. In a city which does not sleep, the players battled, marched on, crossed the Bridge Over Troubled Water.

Hince Marathon

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rent team getting into the act. "The alumni lane is getting pretty crowded," intoned coach O'Neill over the microphone installed. Alumni of the swim team had their own lane set up next to the varsity lane in order to show their stuff and to show that they cared.

Freshman Amanda Burke was visibly excited. "I think its great. All the alumni came back. It's pretty slow now... earlier the baseball team was here playing water basketball."

Throughout the entire marathon a varsity swimmer was doing laps. At no point was there not a swimmer in the water. Captains seemed to draw the difficult hours. "I'm swimming from five to six in the morning," explained Stacy Sweetser '97. "I volunteered for the time... I figured I'm the captain so I better take a tough time."

Swimming the toughest times by far would be Coach O'Neill. He swam the first ten minutes of every hour. Words cannot describe how hard that is. Usually, it involves a lot of body cramping and extremely sore muscles. Tragedy inspires people to overcome obstacles and rise above their own pain and suffering.

Some admittedly went home to catch some much needed sleep. Some were going to hang for the night. One of them was freshman Kevin Reider. "I figure if John (O'Neill) can do it, I can do it too." Yet the swimmers can't help but get back to the video they saw. "You don't have a heart if that doesn't hit you..." added Reider. "It's a great cause."

Jed Michnowitz swam his hour. On closer inspection it looked like he was doing the butterfly. For the entire hour? "This is unthinkable," murmured coach O'Neill. "But

after watching that tape you can pretty much do anything."

10:00 am - The next day. Senior captain Colleen Doyle is making the rounds, looking chipper compared to some of her teammates. "A few people stayed the night," explained Doyle, "now they're zombies."

Plans were being tossed around on how to end the grand event. The popular one was that the entire team was going to get into the pool at the very end. The morning seemed to go well, as breakfast was served after a poolside Mass celebrated by Father Diggins.

O'Neill was still full of energy. "Austin Croshere came in last night to play water basketball," he began, absorbing everyone within

"You don't have a heart if that doesn't hit you"

an earshot into his story. "If I had hit my last three pointer I would have had something to talk about for the rest of my life."

Mike "Tex" Ahearn '97 took some time out from playing with a few kids at poolside to talk with some

fans. "We started out swimming for the whole hour, but that was ridiculous, so we're doing what we're doing now." What they were doing were relays instead of straight hour swims. Still, there was always a varsity swimmer in the water.

As the marathon comes to a close, the team is almost jubilant. The second wind came around. They were doing something as a team. Doing something which they loved. Sport can do amazing things. Pulling together people is one of them.

editor's note: donations are still being collected and cool shirts being sold in the office at Taylor Natatorium. Please do something because it truly is a great cause.

Friars On a Roll

PC Tennis Comes to a Close

by Mike Friess '97
Sports Writer

The Providence College Lady Friars kept with the winning ways by beating Syracuse and Colgate this week, both games on the road. The Friars are playing their best field hockey of the year, winning three of the last four and brought their overall record to 8-9. The win over 'Cuse gives them a 3-2 record in the Big East, and more importantly, puts the Lady Friars in position for a two or three seed in the postseason Big East Championship at UConn.

The Friars have been winning with defense, particularly goaltending. Andrea Weyl and Jamie Soteriades have allowed only five goals in the last five games. Weyl, the rookie freshman,

won this game on an unassisted goal by senior midfielder Julie Fahey. Weyl pitched the shutout between the pipes.

Probably the biggest game on the Big East schedule, was October 26th at Syracuse. It was a close and competitive game, televised in the Syracuse area. A big game for both teams, it was dominated by defense. Weyl recorded the shutout, stopping seven shots and junior All-American candidate Paula Wagoner scored the game's only goal, assisted by two of the senior tri-Captains, Julie Fahey and Kathleen Schanne. Koopman said, "We played really well. We were psyched and really focused because we knew we needed the game for a good seed in the tournament."

The Lady Friars played ex-



Julie Fahey '97 shows her mettle

has been especially impressive, pitching back to back shutouts this week after getting shelled by Boston University, 3-0.

On Sunday, the Lady Friars played against the unorthodox Colgate field hockey squad. Heather Koopman called the matchup a, "horrible game that we won anyway. It was a bad field and there were bad refs, and it's always interesting playing up there." The interesting part of playing is the Red Raider's long-range passing style. The Friars

tremely well this week, rebounding from the nasty 3-0 loss to #6 Boston University on Wednesday, the last home game of the season. Since then, they have not allowed a goal, and are playing the best field hockey of the season with two games to go against Rhode Island and New Hampshire. "We want to win our last two games before the tournament, and go in on a hot streak with a winning record. That is our goal," said Koopman. Sitting one game below .500, that goal is in sight.

by Kim Galipeau '99
Sports Writer
and Tennis diehard!

Ending the fall tennis season with the Cornell Tournament, the mens' team showed that their doubles teams are not to be messed with.

The Friars dominated both Flight A and B doubles despite the injury of junior Dylan Williams, which caused the team to do some shuffling around.

Playing at the A level was junior Felipe Vivar and, moving up from second singles, sophomore Jamie Williams.

"It was good fun playing with Felipe," admits Williams. "We gelled together pretty well."

"Jamie is a great doubles partner," comments Vivar. "He plays very consistently so I knew what to expect from him."

Winning all of their matches fairly easily, Vivar and Williams emerged victorious over teams from Hampton University, Boston College, and Temple University.

"We went in seeded as #3," said Williams. "We played very aggressive, and we knew we needed to concentrate and stay focused."

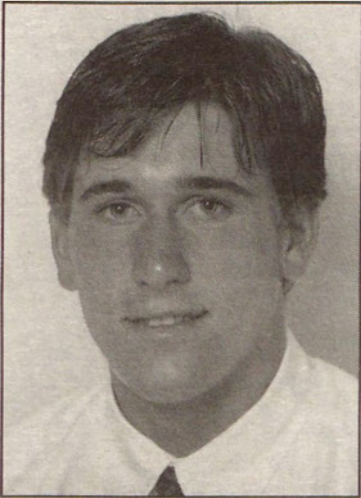
The Flight B doubles team for the Friars consisted of sophomores John Moog and Chris Wolken. They too had to get accustomed to playing with each other.

"Doubles players develop a certain kind of chemistry," said Wolken. "Adapting to a different

style was rough at first, but we were able to click a lot better as we went along. It was really no problem at all."

"We had a good chance to win, and we felt confident," replies Moog. "We knew we had to do the best we could do."

Defeating teams from the



Chris Walken '99

Army, Colgate, Cornell, and Boston University, Moog and Wolken occasionally had some pretty close calls. The majority of their matches went to nine games and some tie-breakers.

"There were a lot of pretty tight situations," admits Wolken, "but we were able to pull it through. There was a lot of pressure but it was also exciting."

"You tend to gain more confi-

dence as you win more matches," comments Moog. "As I start winning is when I play my best."

The singles players had a more difficult time; most not making it past the second or third round. Vivar at Flight A singles made it to the semi-finals where he was defeated by Temple who later went on to win in the finals.

The fall season is over, and now it's time to relax and become mentally and physically prepared for the spring season.

"We have a strong team, and I think we'll be very successful in the spring," comments Wolken. "Depending on the health of the team we should be able to compete with just about anybody."

Vivar, Jamie Williams, and Dylan Williams can't relax just yet, however, because they have been invited to play in the Rolex Championship. This tournament takes place at William and Mary in Virginia on the weekend of November 7th.

"I'm really looking forward to playing there," admits Jamie Williams, "because I've started to play better."

"We have a pretty good chance in doubles," said Vivar. "We need to focus at the Rolex and then we can relax."

Best of luck to those three Friars (as well as to LeMasters, Curry, and Martinez, who will be playing for the women's team) and we'll see you in the spring.

HEY YOU!

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from last year, they don't even compare," noted Pooley, who begins his third year at the helm and carries a 35-32-9 record. "Every team has its own personality. Obviously on defense last year we had a lot of older kids, this year we have a lot of younger kids. Age is one thing. Up front we have a lot of experience. We have six seniors that are forwards. We're a little older up there (since last season). The teams aren't even similar. I don't even try to compare them."

The one constant is senior netminder Dan Dennis. After average seasons his first two years at Providence, Dennis became Hockey East's best goalie. The Saskatchewan native broke out with 19-13-3 record, a 3.33 goals against average, and an .898 save percentage, and was named to the All-Hockey East Team. Most importantly, Dennis was on fire during the league playoffs, leading the Friars past Boston University 5-4 and Maine 3-2 at the Fleet Center.

"Providence has the best goalie in the league with Dan Dennis," acknowledged BU head coach Jack Parker at Hockey East Media Day.

Dennis has started out this season the way he ended last year, recording 34 saves and his first career shutout Saturday night as Providence downed the Warriors 3-0.

The story of the game came on the other end, as PC pelted Merrimack goalie Martin Legault with 46 shots. The first that beat Legault came at 12:43 of the first period when junior defenseman Mark Mader capitalized on assists from freshman Doug Shepard and senior Stefan Brannare.

The insurance was provided by Jon Cameron. The sophomore winger beat Legault at the 8:24 mark of the second period and just 3:05 into the third, with assists on both goals credited to first line mates David Green and Travis Dillabough.

"Saturday night we really played well," added Pooley. "I thought we were skating, we were making good decisions with the puck, we were moving the puck excellently and playing good defensively, so it was a good all around effort Saturday night."

On Friday night, PC escaped Merrimack's Volpe Complex with the 3-2 lead. The first line gave

PC a 1-0 lead as Dillabough tallied a power play goal with assists by Green and Cameron 9:08 into the first. After the Warriors knotted the game 1-1 at the start of the second, Providence retaliated with a power play goal by Brannare and a shorthanded tally by senior Russ Guzier. The Warriors cut the deficit with five minutes remaining in the game but still fell short. Dennis recorded 31 saves.

"Friday night we didn't play very well," replied Pooley. "We made some poor decisions with the puck. But I think we got away with it. When we had to, we played well. We played well defensively. Our specialty teams were good, and that's a big reason why we won."

"I think we learned from Friday night because it's a smaller building up there and we have to make smart decisions to move the puck. Whether you play well or not, it's nice to learn while you're winning, as opposed to losing and say 'hey we should have done this and this and this.' It's nice to say we won, and still say 'we need to make better decisions and do this better. We got away with it and won but let's learn from it.'"

The Friars travel to upstate New York this weekend, facing Union on Friday, then a tough Colgate squad Saturday. After that, the fun begins, as PC faces the meat of Hockey East for home and home tilts.

On November 8 and 9, the Friars match up with the always potent BU Terriers. A week later, PC clashes with what should be a feisty Boston College club. Then on November 22 and 23 the home and home features Northeastern and new coach Bruce Crowder.

But even after those three series, it will still be difficult to determine where our favorite hockey team will figure in Hockey East. Unlike last year when Boston University was the team to beat, there is much more parity this season. Basically everyone was hit hard by graduation or the draft (except for Merrimack, but they weren't that good last year so we'll just ignore them. Hey, it's Merrimack.)

"I don't think there's any power house this year, just a lot of tough teams," noted tri-captain Dillabough, who will share the captain duties with Green and solo senior defenseman Hal Gill. "I think it's going to come down to whoever wants it more, whoever is willing to pay the price."

PC Splits in Big East Weekend

by Ken Martin '99
Sports Writer

For many, the weekend can be summed up as a brief period in which to escape the bustle of the previous five days; a time to kick back and relax; a respite from the daily grind. However, if you play Division I Volleyball in the Big East Conference, the weekend can be just another two days on the calendar.

The Providence Women's Volleyball Team, who have played 28 games in under a two month period, showed their persistence this past weekend as they split with Big East rivals Syracuse and Pittsburgh Universities.

The Lady Friars lost a hard-fought, straight games (3-0) battle to Pittsburgh on Sunday afternoon 3-15, 8-15, 6-15 in Alumni Hall. The loss dropped Providence to 2-3 in the Big East and moved its overall record to 15-13. The win

pushed Pittsburgh's winning streak to eight games and moved its record to a perfect 5-0 in the Big East, 15-8 overall.

"They were a good team and they played pretty well against us," commented senior captain Becky Loftus on the performance of the Panthers. "We had some momentum coming into the game from our win over Syracuse, but they showed why they are second in the [Big East] Conference."

On Saturday, Providence locked up what would be their salvaging win for the weekend by taking 3-2 victory over Syracuse 15-8, 4-15, 9-15, 15-7, 15-12 in Alumni Hall. The loss leaves Syracuse with a 19-8 record for the season overall and evens them at 2-2 in the Big East.

"The Syracuse game was a good win for us. They came into the game with a pretty good record, but I think we out-played them to get the win," remarked Loftus.

"We are getting down toward the end of the season and that was the type of game we need to win coming down the stretch run."

Providence, after Wednesday night's game versus the University of Rhode Island (which finished too late for this edition), has six regular season games remaining. All six games are against Big East opponents and they will most likely influence PC's position in the Big East Tournament that starts on November 23rd in Pittsburgh.

"Every game is important, but now we are coming to the bulk of our Big East schedule where the games will effect our post-season position," said Loftus who leads the Lady Friars with 297 kills and 74 blocks.

Providence will play two of their six remaining games this weekend as they travel to the University of Connecticut on Saturday for a 4pm game and to St. John's on Sunday for a 2pm game.

Impressive Basketball Teams' Scrimmage an Extreme Success

by Cory R. McGann '98
Sports Editor

The annual Mal Brown Scrimmage came and went last Sunday afternoon with people talking excitedly about the basketball team. The Women's Basketball team.

Generally overlooked and overshadowed by their male counterparts, the women had the crowd visibly impressed and overly excited with some of their impressive passing and shooting abilities.

With superstar forwards Nadine Malcolm and Kerri Chatten pretty much canceling each other out with their superb defense, point guard Julie Wheeler stole the show, shooting three's with reckless abandon and running the fast break with precision. Of course, it helps when you have Mandy Saunders running along side you. With each one handling the ball at different times, it will allow the team this season to run their offense from different spots on the floor.

Also impressive was Dana Simonelli, who has the uncanny ability to get open and finish layups. This will help her during the Big East season with consistency of scoring. Point guard Shannon Bresnahan also showed some skills. She is the type of player who is fearless; if you fall back on defense, she will attack. In the second half of the game, after she had settled down a little, she hit some key shots to keep her team in the game.

The men were equally impressive. Jamel Thomas was clearly the man out on the floor. Sticking jumpers and taking the ball to the hole, Jamel showed he can do it

all. Off-guard Jason Murdock stole the show, however, with a tomahawk jam over two players that had Alumni gym rocking.

The surprise of the day was clearly N'dongo Ndaiye. "Junior" proved to everyone who had doubts that he can play the game of basketball. Aside from some confusion on offenses that will be learned as the season progresses, he showed that he has an instinct for the game. This is especially evident when he runs the floor and when he goes up for blocks. Thomas found this out first hand. When going up for a dunk, Junior

promptly escorted him out of the paint.

The positive aspect of the Mal Brown game was clearly the kids in attendance. While always awed by the above the rim style of the men, they seemed equally (if not more) interested in the women playing. This can be attributed to interest in women's basketball across the country, and the added emphasis in well developed plays and hard work, not just the slam dunk. It will be quite important for both teams to work hard in getting the kids (future Friar fanatics) interested in this year's season.

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Lady Friars Outgunned

PC, outshot 26-2, loses 7-1 to Harvard

by Frank Mills '98
Sports Writer

If your team finished 2-15 in a season where you were shut out 11 out of 17 times, would you have anything positive to talk about? You would if you were the Lady Friars Soccer team because, despite a season marked by defeat, this isn't a bad squad.

For instance, last Friday against Syracuse, with the only goal coming from the Orangewoman's Stacy Shanning at 73:21, the Lady Friars dominated in the offensive zone, forcing several good scoring opportunities. The best came late, with Sophomore Karen Cammarata finding herself open in the slot, only to shoot high.

That single play seems to be representative of the Lady Friar's season thus far. They can't make up deficits, and despite great efforts, the ball can't find the twine. The next day the Lady Fri-

ars hosted the Vilanova Wildcats and were defeated 5-0, their eleventh shutout of the year. Providence goaltenders Sheila Gibbons and Betsy Burke were tested often, facing 20 shots.

The Lady Friars then traveled to Harvard for a Wednesday afternoon game. The dreary cold rain of Providence traveled with the Lady Friars that night, as they were defeated 7-1 in a game where they were outshot 26-2. Allowing four goals in the first half, the Lady Friars only cracked the scoreboard when Harvard scored on it's own goal at the 74:49 mark.

Still have anything positive to say? Obviously this was a tough season for the Lady Friars. There are many factors to consider: an incredibly tough schedule, five starters lost to graduation, and a young, inexperienced team. The trouble started early for the Lady Friars, with a 14-0 loss to #2 ranked Notre Dame. Nice way to start a season, huh?

Someone once said that real winners learn from defeat. If the Lady Friars can learn from this season, that's a positive. If you've never been to one of their games, it's easy to write this team off. They have a lower goal total than games played. At the beginning of the season, things looked grim. The players weren't playing together and the team wasn't forcing shots. But in October, things started turning around. The team started to come together, generating offense and moving the ball.

The Lady Friars picked up two wins and played well when they lost. With this late season surge, we look to next season with hope. Even if you don't where black and white, it's hard to root against this team. Despite the disappointing loss to Harvard, this team is slowly creeping towards success. It won't come this season, or maybe next, but when it does, I hope your there.

SELFLESSNESS

Varsity Swim Teams Hold Swim Marathon for Charlie Hince, class of 1992

by Cory R. McGann '98
Sports Editor

"That's all we can do now. The show is ready to go. Let's sit back and wait."

Last Saturday, at the Taylor Natatorium, the Varsity Swim Team sacrificed an entire 24 hours for a person they didn't even know. In a world that usually stresses selfishness, the swim team practiced the fine art of *selflessness*.

Why? Some could say it was because their coach, John O'Neill, told them to. Some might offer that it seemed like the right thing to do.

However, the best answer would probably be for the love of a sport.

Charlie Hince was a member of the swim team until he graduated in 1992. Last summer he was involved in a freak accident that left him a quadriplegic. A tragic story that, if the Friar swimmers have anything to say about it, will not have a tragic ending.

The amazing thing is, these kids didn't know Charlie. The extent of their knowledge of him is a video his sister shot of him showing how he lives his life now. They sacrificed anyway, knowing that at any point, something this sudden and unfortunate can happen to any-

one.

And so the 24 hour swim marathon began. "That's all we can do now. The show is ready to go. Let's sit back and wait."

3:15 PM - The first showing of the video is on in the far corner of the natatorium. Anyone who watches it swallows hard.

"I really appreciate everyone coming in and seeing me," said Hince in a slow, calculated speech. "To tell you the truth, it's a pain in the ass... I just want to say thank you again, enjoy yourselves, and hopefully I'll see you all soon."

As the video ends, the small circle of people watching the video slowly walk away without saying a word.

All money being raised is going to a special fund which will provide money for medical and other expenses for the Hince family. The money by the end of the marathon had exceeded \$10,000 and counting.

Not everyone donated cash. Frey Florist donated a dozen roses. A rose was put in a vase poolside after every completed hour of the marathon. The vase, full of bright red roses, were given to Charlie's mother.

3:50 PM - It's not just the cur-

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son living in a host home, but when things didn't work out well, he went to stay with a friend who was living on the Cape.

Similarly, Andy Byron stayed with a host family for the first couple weeks of the summer but then decided to live with his grandparents who live in a neighboring town.

In addition to adjusting to these new summer living arrangements, the players are also required to obtain a part-time job in the area. Many of the guys find themselves working in a supermarket, a de-

partment store, scooping ice cream on those warm beach days, or in various other jobs that are available for the summer season.

While Byron wound up serving ice cream to crowds of people at the ever-popular Sundae School, Galligan could be found in the same place where many do their weekly grocery shopping; Stop-n-Shop.

Both Friedholm and Incantalupo had the pleasure of working with kids and seeing the impact they made as role models. Scott worked at the Chatham Recreational Clinic and Todd participated in a summer baseball camp.

"It's not too hard to balance your time," replies Friedholm. "You don't work too many hours because they don't want you tired for the games." According to Galligan "work and baseball naturally make up each day."

The next step is for the players to make the transition from playing ball with their own college team to playing with strangers of different backgrounds from all across the country. Strangers who are all considered to be some of the best college ballplayers in the U.S.

"Going down there, I thought I'd be in over my head," admits Friedholm. "But I realized that baseball is baseball, and you can basically play with anybody. Our team (Chatham) all got along really well, which helped how we played together."

Murray, another Chatham A's member, agrees. "We all hung out together; we were like a clan."

Over the last few years, New Englanders have become more of a major part of the CCBL than in earlier years. According to Byron, players from up here have an extremely difficult time breaking into in this league.

"Kids from the south and the westcoast usually have a better chance (because of) getting national exposure. Pete Tucci (fellow PC Friar who made a huge impact on the Cape League in the summer of '95) really helped New England in general as well as the PC program itself."

This high level of competition would seem to cause some type of pressure to perform to higher standards, though apparently not in this case.

"I liked the pressure," replied Murray, "because it shows that we can play as good as anyone else." Incantalupo agrees, saying that because of the higher standards he

knew he could "pitch with the best."

"It feels great playing at that level," comments Galligan. "Moving up like that; of course there will be pressure."

"You just need to perform. It's one of the steps in the stairway to achieving a higher goal."

"Some kids got drafted out of the first round which can be a little intimidating," comments Byron. "It was strange reading about these guys, seeing them on TV, in the College World Series, and then playing with them on the same team."

Added Galligan, "if we were there, each of us was obviously good enough to play."

The level of play was something that the players had to get accustomed to in this transition from the usual college competition to the CCBL.

Scott Friedholm, the only non-pitcher of the PC pack, saw a big difference in the pitching. "In the regular season, you're used to seeing a decrease in the quality of the pitchers that come off the bench. This doesn't happen in the Cape because you're constantly facing another team's ace."

"From a pitching standpoint, we have to be right on all the time," reveals Galligan. "We need to concentrate harder and we can't rely on the hitters making the mistakes at the plate."

Galligan was definitely on, as he ended his summer season with one win in 9 relief appearances,

giving up just 10 hits and striking out an impressive 13 in only 14.3 innings.

Finishing 3-1 with two complete games and two shut-outs, Incantalupo ended his season with an ERA of 1.5, while giving up only 6 earned runs, 9 walks, and striking out 21 in 36 innings.

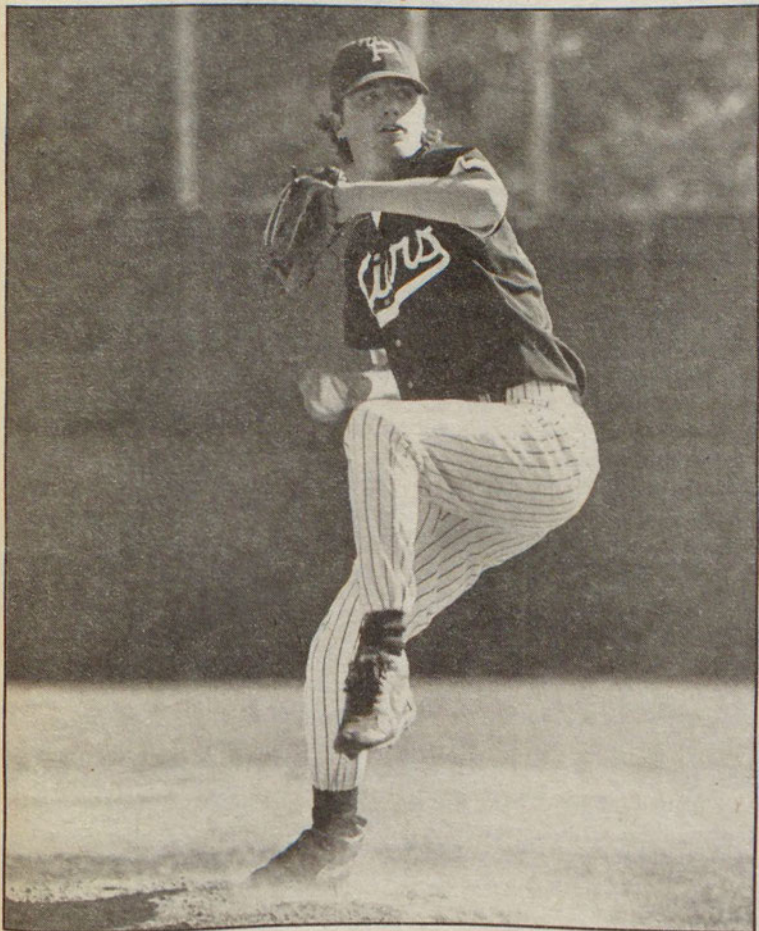
The desire to do one's best comes partly from the atmosphere at the games. There are constantly fans in the stands or on the grass. The children are always filled with so much excitement and energy. And you can always rely on there being scouts watching every play.

"Overall the fans are great. The kids are always asking for autographs and trying to get our attention in the dugout during the games," remembers Incantalupo. "There are also always scouts around, and it's amazing how many of the same fans come to every game."

"It was neat that a lot of fans knew our names and everything," comments Byron. "You get noticed a lot in the area, so you need to keep out of trouble. You're representing yourself as well as your school."

"Everyone in town knows you," said Friedholm. "It's bizarre working with a lot of the kids in the area, because you find out they go to so many games and know everything that happened at them."

"So many people come out to support us," comments Galligan. "They definitely like their baseball down there."



Todd Murray '98 joined the Chatham A's late in the season

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Men's Soccer Must Defeat UConn to Make Tourney

by Gladys Ganiel '99
Sports Writer

It will all come down to one game for the Providence College men's soccer team.

After playing visiting Boston College to a 3-3 tie on October 24, the Friars failed to clinch a spot in the Big East tournament. That means that PC must defeat UConn this Sunday on the Huskies' home turf. A victory at UConn would propel the Friars out of a four-way tie for seventh place in the conference rankings and secure a position in the league tourney.

But even though the Friars have been focusing on conference competition, they have still had to deal with non-league foes. The Ivy League's Dartmouth visited Glaxo Field on October 29 and dealt the Friars a 3-2 loss.

The Green and White tallied all three of their goals in the first half, when they got off seven shots to the Friars' two. The Friars, though, drew first blood when Juan Acevedo scored 2:42 into the contest. Tony Czar gave Acevedo a cross and Acevedo booted it by the Dartmouth goalie, who had fallen down.

Acevedo tallied PC's second goal off a penalty kick at the 53:35 mark. Senior Chris Ivany started in goal and stopped 4-13 attempts. Dartmouth outshot the Friars 13-7.

"We're not a good team yet," Acevedo commented. "We need to play for all 90 minutes." PC dropped to 5-6-4 with the loss.

The Friars salvaged a tie against

"I felt we should have won," said sophomore Dan Pires, who garnered four saves and played the complete game in goal. "We played very well, but were just

PC tied the game for the first time at the 61:33 mark. Mike Eisenhut initiated a corner kick, and Jim Riccobono headed it home. The Friars scored again five

Asgeirsson was left all alone on the left side and tied the contest at two-all.

The Eagles got a breakaway goal in the first overtime but O'Connell prevented the loss with his header.

The Friars will have all they can handle against UConn. The Huskies are ranked #18 in the nation and boast a 12-2-3 record. To make matters worse, UConn has a hot goalie in freshman Matt Chaviovich. The Big East Rookie of the Week for October 27, Chaviovich has shut out the Huskies' last two opponents and has six shutouts on the year. But at least PC will have the services of forward/midfielder Rob Kruse, who sat out the Dartmouth game with an injury. The Friars will miss senior Chris Coulis, however, who is out for the season with a knee injury.

Coulis, though frustrated by his injury, praised his teammates' improvement. "The team has matured over the year. The freshmen (like McConville, Eisenhut, Kevin Jones, and Jeremy Krause) have stepped up tremendously, as they have all season. And the sophomores who didn't get a chance to play much last year have played well for our injured players."

PC has one more non-league game remaining, a November 6 showdown at Harvard.



photo by Michael Sablone '98

Junior Juan Acevedo notched both Friar goals in a tough loss to Dartmouth

BC when senior Joe O'Connell headed in an Andrew McConville cross with 4:28 remaining in the second overtime. Despite outshooting the Eagles 20-10 Coach Brian Ainscough's club did not come out with a victory.

unlucky."

Even though the Friars controlled the ball most of the time, BC scored when they did get possession in transition. The Eagles led 1-0 at the half on William O'Keeffe's score.

minutes later when O'Connell fed Jon Crawford, who knocked a solid blast into the top right hand corner. The Eagles took advantage of a PC breakdown at the 71:27 mark, however, as Asgeirsson

Blue Line Youth

by John Carchedi '98
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and all-around good guy

The success of the 1996-97 Providence college men's hockey team will be determined by how well the squad blends. It's a team that features quality senior forwards and a bunch of freshmen manning the blue line. How well young learns from old will be the key.

So far the combination has worked, as PC swept Merrimack this weekend with wins of 3-2 and 3-0, kicking off the Hockey East schedule and jumping out to a 3-0 record.

"You always want to come out of the gate running and playing well, but the thing I'm happy about is that we've played well with young people," explained Friar head coach Pooley, alluding to his crop of seven freshmen and five sophomores who saw action this week. "They've played a lot and in key situations and they're learning. That's going to be the key to our success, how quickly our young people come along."

"Our seniors have been great, their leadership has been excellent, that is going to be key for us, to help set the tone for what it takes to win and what's important with our system. I think our seniors are going to lead the way."

The Friars return 19 letter winners from last year's 21-15-3 club

that won the Hockey East Tournament. But ask Pooley how this year's edition matches up with the '95-'96 club, and he doesn't even consider it. Providence has gone from having the experience lie with their defensemen and their youngster's dominate the forward

positions, to the other way around.

The reason for the switch was the graduation of five out of nine defensemen, and the addition of five freshmen blue liners.

"This is a totally different team

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Field of Dreams

by Kim Galipeau '99
Sports Writer

This is the second of a three part article concerning the Cape Cod Baseball League as reported by staff writer Kim Galipeau '99.

Though each of the five Friars tell their own tale of how they got to be a part of the Cape Cod Baseball League (CCBL), the experiences are basically similar among each of the players.

Arriving in the Cape at the start of the summer, the majority of the players from all the teams typically stay in host homes. They are required to give a certain amount of money to their host families in order to pay for food and other expenses.

Most host families volunteer each year to let one or more players live with them for the summer. Many of these families are huge baseball fans who regularly attend the home games as well as many away games. This often enforces the strong community spirit at the games.

Unfortunately there have also been problems in the past with some host families who volunteer, but do not truly understand the responsibilities that they are undertaking.

Todd Incantalupo ran into such a situation and wound up staying

with two families this summer. "The first family was nice, but me and my roommate just didn't feel right being there," admits Todd. "When my parents came down to visit, they had us pulled out of there. It just wasn't a good atmosphere."

He then went to stay with a new host family who represented the Harwich club for the CCBL. "I loved it there and would definitely stay there again next year if I get the chance to go back."

Todd Murray stayed with the president of the league along with a few other players on his team for the short time that he was in the Cape.

Rather than live with a host family, Scott Friedholm stayed with Ryan Kinski (a former PC and Cape League ballplayer) and his family for the summer.

"They offered to take me in, and it was most likely the best decision I made," felt Friedholm. "It was like a host home but better. Some kids had bad experiences and were moving from house to house."

The five Friars all agree that the Cape Cod Baseball League should probably perform better screening of the host families to avoid further conflicts.

Mike Galligan started the sea-

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