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Contract Questions
by Colleen E. Pappas '99
Asst. News Editor

This year has seen the onset of many changes to the PC camp-
us, both externally and inter-
nally. The year began with the
introduction Sodexo an out-
side vendor brought in to operate
the food services here on campus.
Likewise, there has been word
that the College is considering
not renewing its contracts with
the businesses in the mini-mall
such as Slick Willy's and Fliers
Flicks.

Rumors are also circulating
that regard another area of
services on campus as well,
the physical plant, which maintains
the grounds and buildings of the
campus.
The physical plant, which is
responsible for maintaining the
campus grounds and all other
maintenance responsibilities
such as heating, plumbing, or
electrical, is currently under
review by the previous con-
tract firm of M.C. Adams & Associ-
es.

Paul Bazin, Associate Vice
President for Business Services,
denied to be interviewed, but
did provide the students with
two-page article on PC in The
Cowl (see page 4).
The statement explains that a
review of all available options
for the physical plant is currently
underway in order to "evaluate its
effectiveness and how it compares
with certain benchmark
college.

There are currently 42 work-
ers employed by the physical
plant. These employees are re-
sponsible for all 43 buildings on
campus, including dormitories,
apartments, and various admin-
istrative buildings and classrooms.

Out of those 42 employees, about 25 hold positions that al-
low them to complete the neces-
sary maintenance work inside
buildings such as repairing
problems with heating, air-conditioning,
plumbing, or electrical problems.

Many on campus may be un-
aware that out of those 25 work-
ers who deal with the mainte-
nance of buildings, each worker
has a specialized area of exp-

For example, each of the five
carpenters employed by the
physical plant are responsible
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Fear Not Meningitis!

Thursday afternoon, students across campus were warned via voice mail by Fr. J. Stuart McPhail, O.P. of meningitis cases found on campus.

Fr. McPhail wanted to assure the student body that all meningitis found on campus were viral meningitis and not bacterial meningitis. The viral form is more common than the bacterial meningitis. Signs and symptoms include stiff neck, nausea, and vomiting. Most cases of viral meningitis run a short course of two days. Since it is a virus, antibiotics are ineffective. Bacterial meningitis, on the other hand, causes fever and can rapidly lead to death.

He said there were two cases found on campus. One was a visitor of a student, and the other is a resident of Fennell Hall. Fr. McPhail said the two people were not in any way in contact with each other.

The remaining student went home and was diagnosed there. The PC student went to a local hospital where he was diagnosed and was subsequently sent home to recover.

Catherine M. Kelleher, R.N., the Nursing Director, said Fr. McPhail expressed some concern over some parents to worry and that she had received some phone calls from concerned parents. Parents who had been watching the news had heard of mass inoculation in Woosocket, RI. The cases found in Woosocket proved to be bacterial meningitis.

As a precautionary measure, Residence Life and the Health Center were going to have a floor meeting in Fennell Hall to warn the residents about the case. They chose to cancel the meeting.

"We did not want to panic," said Dr. Leonard Roberts, Executive Director of Residence Life. He went on to say, "The way it was being presented was much greater than existed.

Residence Life and the Health Center are working together to make sure no new cases appear. Kelleher stressed that in sure no new cases "people should make sure to wash their hands. They cough in them and that is the source. Also, if anyone is not feeling well, call the Health Center at 2477 or the day at 2888 at night and on the weekends."

Dr. Roberts wants to assure everybody that "the school will keep people informed and the college has all the students' and employees' interests in mind."

by Matthew F. Stanoff '99 News Writer

It's that Time again... It's Course Registration Time!

The following classes are favorites as revealed in an informal survey of PC students...

(nin a particular order)
-Mariage: A Theological Approach (Fr. Natalizia)
-Communication Disorders (Keating)
-Art History Survey (Team)
-Civ with Father Quigley, Dr. DiNunzio
-Service in Democratic Communities (King)
-Maryknoll (Seaver)
-Intro to Women's Studies
-Intro to Acting
-History of Jazz (Kelton)
-Elementary Spanish (Fr. Myeti)
-History of Fashion & Costume (Cabrals)
-Intro. to Sociology (Riordan)
-Abnormal Psychology (Spiegl)
-Chaucer (Delasanta)
-Moral Issues (Fr. Seaver)
-Spenser (Esolen)

Editors' Picks: (We spend much time working on The Cowl, we need a little help with our grades!)
Shaf: 20th Century America (DiNunzio)
Erin: Women & the American Experience (Bates)
Colleen: Far East in Modern Times (Mettlo)
Jessica: Women's Issues in Social Work (McCarthy)
Jamie & Cory: Intro. to Empirical Analysis (Hyde)
Amy: Diversity, Community, and Service (Battista)
Sablone: British Literature II (Mullen)
Danielle: Voice & Diction (Hawridge)
Cheech: "I haven't found it yet, but when I do, it'll be really good."
Zurowski: Dimensions of Art (Beckwith)
Shaggy: Financial Accounting (Kelley)

President's Forum Series

Noted Jesuit Theologian to be Featured Speaker

Walter J. Burghardt, S.J., will be the second speaker in the fall seminar series at Providence College. Culture and Values at Providence College. Father Burghardt is one of the founders of the Woodstock Theological Center in Washington, D.C., and he continues to direct the program called "Praying the Just Word," which is also the title of the address he is to deliver on Thursday, November 21, 1996 at 7:30 p.m. in Fe'ell Hall.

Father Burghardt, who has been a member of the Society of Jesus for sixty-five years, is the author of seventeen books and 250 articles which have appeared focusing on the Willingness of the faithful and for Distinguished Preaching, presented by the University of Notre Dame, St. Thomas University, and Gonzaga University, as well as the National Catholic Reporter and the American Theological Society.

Among his awards are honorary doctorates from the University of Notre Dame, St. Thomas University, and Gonzaga University, as well as the National Catholic Reporter and the American Theological Society.

Kelleher noted, "Father Burghardt is for many years the editor-in-chief of Theological Studies, and is currently the co-editor of the periodical The Lezing Pulpit. He is also the editor of the Jesuit Book Writers series."

The period run 1968-1973 Fr. Burghardt served as a consultant to the Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity, and he held the position of president of the North American Society for Ecumenists (1970). He has also been a member of the American Theological Society, the Mariological Society of America, and the Catholic Theological Society of America. Among his awards are honorary doctorates from the University of Notre Dame, St. Thomas University, and Gonzaga University, as well as the National Catholic Reporter and the American Theological Society.

Nationally, 92% of all lung cancers (which have a survival rate of less than 15%) would disappear if people would stop smoking.

70% of high school seniors who smoke will go on to become adult smokers, contributing to the current national deficiency of lung cancer cases.

In Rhode Island this year, 200 students will die from lung cancer due to smoking related to environmental smoke.

One out of three smokers will die before they reach the age of 65 years prior to death from a tobacco related disease.

The data is impressive and frightening. The use of cigarettes, and chewing tobacco is addictive and potentially lethal. Nicotine, the drug or poison of these products can be pharmacologically addictive as its addictive effect has the brain alike is habit is so difficult.

First, nicotine when taken in small amounts, stimulates certain areas of the brain, producing certain feelings of alertness, pleasure, and re-

laxation, causing the smoker to desire more.

Second, nicotine leads to physiological and psychological dependency. Causing withdrawal symptoms such as anxiety, headache, tremors, cravings, and insomnia when a smoker tries to stop.

It acts on a central nervous system, causing an increase in the heartbeat and rate of breathing, and constriciting the blood vessels with a decrease in the peripheral circulation.

The possession of tobacco is not only toxic. There are approximately 4000 chemicals, including 43 cancer-causing toxins that are inhaled through the mouth into the lungs for direct contact.

In addition, tolerance to nicotine begins with the first dose. First time users of this substance will experience dizziness and nausea. Repeated use leads to increased tolerance; the five-ciga-

rettes-a-day smoker becomes a 1-2 packs a day smoker.

It is possible to quit successfully. YES! It really is. (Good reason to never start.) Success can come through varied options ranging from "cold turkey" approach to an approved medical program for which discussion with your own health care provider would be essential.

As a start—join an organized and supportive group of students and staff who will stop smoking on Thursday, November 21st observing the Great American Smokeout. Call the Student Health Center at 865-2422 by Tuesday, November 19th if you would like to participate. HELP PC BE SMOKE FREE! by Cindy Jacobson, RN Student Health Center

Health Notes...

Inside Student Congress

Last week's Congress meeting was short and sweet. The PC Spirit focus group has met and will be meeting regularly with Greg Burke from the Athletic Department. The group's focus is to find a way to participate at the various home games. Working with Burke, and small groups, some may have made some improvements raising the student seating section higher for better visibility. If you have any suggestions, please leave them in my mailbox in the Den.

We are also working on adding additional stops to PC Baseball game bus shuttles. The stops will hopefully be at the Fennell and Davis gates, as well as the traditional Raymond stop and adding a stop at the Quad. The bus provides transport student to and from the bus basketball home games. We hope to have this in place at our team's upcoming games. The RWL will be held this weekend and the Congress will ask all participants to be on their best behavior. If you have any last-minute questions, be sure to call 865-1180.

Unfortunately, the "99 had to cancel Beatles Night this past Saturday. They plan to re-schedule the event for the next semester.

The Class of 2000 will be holding its first event, a Red-Eye dance, on December 6, from 11pm-2am. This past Friday night the Class of '97 held 197 Days. The event was a huge success—congratulations to all classes involved.

Fr. McPhail, O.P., Vice Presi-
dent of Student Services and mod-
ern day. The Student Government announced that the shuttle was not a bar shuttle and will not include Prime Time Cafe on its shuttle route. A few Congress members voiced concern on this issue, but Fr. McPhail's decision stands. The walk to and from Prime Time remains very difficult, please arrive smart and cautious at all times. Providence College has a policy of no club or class nights at local bars. But seniors do not feel Club Eagles is still committed to turning their bar over to the senior class. So be on the lookout for upcoming theme nights at Club Eagles (This Sat-
urday is Welcome Back 97, for good night).

The Food Committee and Student Life Committee are passing around surveys on foods and computer services lab hours, so please take the time to fill out their surveys and return them to the Campus Office. Thank you for your help. See you next week!
Have you been to Stuart's lately?

by Tammy A. Leduc '99

News Writer

Is it possible that PC secretly owns that very nice bar, hall, lounge, and meeting center all in one? One of PC's best kept secrets is the fact that the above is readily accessible to all PC students, faculty and staff.

Since its arrival on campus three years ago, Stuart's has offered all of its options to the PC community. This year, under new management, Stuart's is expanding its services while still retaining the old ones. It has also stepped up its advertising campaign, and has increased employment by hiring three new Graduate Assistants to aid Stuart's Manager, K.C. Ferrara. Ferrara is a new addition to Student Services this year. She was previously employed by Roger Williams University. Her task will be to make Stuart’s a better running organization and to see what it takes to get a place from A to Z. It has been hectic, but it has also been fun,” commented Ferrara.

Stuart's was formerly run under Audrey Cooke, a PC graduate student. She had been working at the center at the end of last semester. Ferrara noted that Cooke was instrumental in helping to keep Stuart’s, “I inherited a very good foundation. These improvements were possible because other improvements were already in place. Audrey Cooke was a great help to me on staff. We are just building on what has already existed,” said Ferrara.

Physical improvements to Stuart's includes an expansion of the pool deck, new leather couches, a piano, an expanded menu, introduction of board games, and a new Karaoke machine which will make its debut this Saturday night. Stuart's has also greatly expanded its programing schedule. Discounted food items are offered every Monday night during “Monday Night Football.” Thursdays offer flavored coffee and an assortment of desserts during "Must See TV Night" and Sundays feature "Barrager's Bargains." This event takes place from 9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. every Sunday immediately following the 8 p.m. Mass. Other events held at Guzman Chapel and before the 10:30 p.m. mass at Guzman Chapel include PC’s former Associate Professor, Joseph Barrance. O.P., is on hand at Stuart's and discouns on snacks are offered.

Ferrara and others believe that the improvements will have a positive and attracted a greater number of students. The number of people using Stuart's has increased the number of people using Stuart's. It sounds

Hey--Water: You Worrying About?" by Gregory W. McGonigle '00

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Milkly, chunky, smelly, and discolored are but a few adjectives recently employed by students to describe their shared acquaintance with drinking fountain flows through the pipes and out of the faucets, shower heads, and drinking fountains of Providence College--that compound which many of us take for granted.

Clean, fresh water. The reports from eyewitnesses who claim that what most consider pure water is causing dry skin, wrinkles, and even corroded sinks should all of us pause--and even more so our schools of the sciences and environment.

Luckily for the rest of us who are not present, the scientific minds of the biblical deluge, Roman aqueducts, aquatic voyages of Jouon, or E. Coli have determined that at least one group of students is dealing with a bad batch of water which we use to wash and drink. Associate Professor of Environmental Science, Robert Landen O.P., Ph.D., and the thirty students in her Environmental Physical course are conducting a multi-faceted research project on the "life of a drop" from the Scituate Reservoir to Providence College to Fields point Research Plant and finally to Narragansett Bay. Six groups of students are delving into such topics as where our water comes from and where it goes, where and how water is consumed on campus, and our community's awareness of water-related concepts. Their studies involve tours of water and waste water company facilities, interviews with our physical plant officials, and study of current trends in the application of principles of environmental and physical philosophy. The students report to the class on their individual findings and will compile some of these results in a group project which will integrate the material. One goal is to present the results on the Internet, making this valuable information widely available. The class also hopes to see the student who is seeking to install meters to gauge the amounts of water used by PC, landscaping and maintaining athletic fields. Because that water returns undisturbed in the environment, the Narragansett Bay Commission (it is believed) will offer rebates for it—saving college money.

Though aware of the buzzing skeptical attitudes on water, Landen and her students are aware of the water theme strictly to them. She was clear that "the goal of the research is to find out if the physical project is not discovering [Provi- dence] has a problem with water quality," although reports to that end are not outside the study's scope. Landen also allows that there is an "absence of data on water in some campus locations" and not likely reflect deficiencies in the Scituate Reser- voir, but more probably the deter- ioration of the plumbing in the campus' aging buildings. That's little consolation to those students afraid to brush their teeth, take a pill, have a drink, or shower. In short, we ought not discard our water filter pitchers just yet.

News Commentary: Faculty Senate Takes On Civ

by Jessica Cotrone '99

Asst. News Editor

Development of Western Civilization. This one core course is the basis of Providence College's reputation as an outstanding Liberal Arts institution. The mere mention of changing any aspect of this course causes a tremend- ous uproar among many of our students. Right now, the Faculty Senate is debating about the curriculum. One aspect which is under discussion is whether to call Civ "as is" or try to mold it according to your own tastes.

How does the changing of Civ affect us, as the student body of Providence College? Well, it hardly does not. These changes would not be instituted until the Class of 2002 arrives through Huxley Gates. Indirectly, though, we should all take an ac- tive interest in the changes that take place in the college. The reputation of the institution we graduate from will follow us our whole life; even if we attend graduate school. PC's reputation has been built on the fact that we have such a unique program in the course known as Civ. The method of conducting classes in Civ has its origins with various departments united to teach on various topics. It is a result of many different institutions. The way students become exposed to a number of significant events in history and learn the way it affected other ar- eas of study is unique. Civ is an asset to Providence College.

The idea of cutting the time all- lowed to the Civ program is one that does not sit well with many people. This is the nature of the vote which is now in the Faculty Senate, whether or not to keep Civ the way it is conducted at the present time. After reading minutes from one meeting and sitting in on another, I have developed second thoughts on the debate being held in the Senate.

I will begin with the people who want to keep Civ as a 20-credit course. These people are mostly (but not all) current or former Civ professors, or people involved in the program. They appear to be hurt at the thought of cutting down the time it was allotted to teach. One has to re- member how many work these professors devote to this course. They must prepare 50-minute lec- tures which often cover a span of 60-70 minutes. They feel that the time they have now is not enough to teach the students everything they should know. By cutting the time, they will have to teach even more, which they do not want to do.

The opposition, mostly non-Civ professors, is in time to bring Civ into the 21st century. The last time the Civ program was changed was twenty five years ago. They recognize the difficulty in covering all the material in class time, but they feel the sacrifice will be worthwhile. This will open up more time in student's schedules to pursue other areas of study, such as foreign lan- guages. The Curriculum Revi- ew Steering Committee backs the option to cut Civ to a 20-credit course, hoping to use the free time for other experimen- tal electives. Another option is to make Civ a 9-credit course, and finally another option which includes a capstone course.

As a student, I do not think I have the ability to judge which program will benefit our school better. I would rather have a 20-credit Civ course and can say that I have learned many things. However, the idea of having free electives to pursue those classes which I am interested in appears to me, since we are now so many free electives.

"I want it if you want it, if you don't want it, situation. No one will ever agree on a set program, since many people feel passionately one way or the other. Hope- fully, through a better course, it is chosen will be fully supported by the students.

This is an issue of great de- bate, one which every student should take an interest in. This is our school, and every person who calls themselves a PC Friar should care.
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physical plant are assigned to maintain from six to eight buildings each. Other areas of maintenance include administrative areas and air-conditioning equipment. The ratio of change to other areas of service on campus, there are rumors of uncertainty among physical plant employees regarding future job security. Many workers are rumors to fear that their jobs will be eliminated or that they will be required to relocate or renew their contracts when they expire in June.

Physical plant employees are currently working under a two-year contract that was negotiated in the summer of 1995. If the college wishes to renew the contract, the physical plant union must be contacted at least 60 days before the contract expires in order to set up meetings for negotiation.

Among those employed by the physical plant are groundskeepers, maintenance workers, and secretaries; the average worker has been employed by the College for more than ten years.

Though the statement from Banz does not give any definite indications of what future collective bargaining negotiations should be subcontracted, this practice has increased in recent months.

Statement to The Cowl
Paul Banz, Associate Vice President for Business Service has announced that the College has change the geographic services of M.C. Adams & Associates, consultants to higher education institutions and management, to do a complete research and study of the operations of the physical plant department with a view to evaluating its overall effectiveness and how it compares with certain benchmark colleges.

A study is currently a continuation of many of the College’s operations which began several years ago. They were carried out by the governing board itself. The question of whether the College will continue to carry out these studies, or whether some or all of its operations will be subcontracted is currently under discussion by the College.

Banz noted that a number of times during the summer months, each review stands on its own merits. Any assumptions that might be made about the worker, those occurred in food service are completely unfounded.

The report will be used to make recommendations as well as identify recommendations that changes should be made in physical plant operations. These recommendations are expected to range from small changes to major changes that affect the entire operation. The study will identify areas that are underperforming and discuss possible ways to improve the overall effectiveness of the physical plant.

The projects are expected to lead to definite recommendations to management in the ultimate decision will remain with the College.

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The ESL program also sends volunteers to off-campus locations of the college, usually classes three times a week and PC’s Moretti Center.

PC’s First Ever Black Studies Forum
by Sarah Antonello ’98 Features Writer
The First Black Studies Forum in the history of Providence College was held in 64 Hall on Wednesday, November 14. The forum, entitled Black Child. White Parent, focused on the issues of race and gender by the conflicting views within the black community and the population. Dr. Ernesto E. Cowl, a Sociology and Black Studies professor at PC, acted as a mediator during the presentations.

The forum, which was organized for the 1st time in the history of trans-racial adoption, was a part of the Black History of trans-racial adoption. Preston gave the background in-formation behind the view that adoption of black children by white parents could be considered to be an act of racial discrimination. His presentation focused on the question of whether or not black children should be adopted by white parents.

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Every year it seems that the week after Junior Ring Weekend (JRW) The Cow! prints an editorial in which it bemoans the failure of a particular class to care for their mailboxes. This year the JRW has been in Boston, thankfully the local media has not picked up on the behavior of these select students. This year, however, the JRW is in Providence and things are bound to be different.

With JRW held in our own back yard, PC has a chance to prove to the entire city and state that we are a classy school. Furthermore, we can demonstrate that we are mature and educated people who know how to handle a mail box. In the future, JRW has been in Boston until, hopefully, we like to party and have a good time, who doesn’t? However, it is not necessary to act in a destructive and crude manner, i.e. breaking beer bottles on the dance floor.

JRW is a time for a class to come together and celebrate their elevation to upper-class status. It is meant to be a happy and festive occasion with no problems or controversy. This year’s Core has worked extremely hard to give the Class of 1989 a weekend they will never forget. We encourage everyone who is going to have a memorable but responsible time. The Class of ’99 Core will be there to help ‘99 Core, and to get ideas for their own party planning. With luck and a little success, JRW in the future will be negatively affected, and we will go down in history as a member of the class that killed JRW.

"Act Up!" Literature Hateful
To the Editor,
I am writing in response to Erin Kang’s review of Amy Lambert’s book, which appeared in the November 7, 1996 issue of the Cow! entitled “Stay strong! Be brave! Stand up!” I would like to take this opportunity to respond to some points anonymously around campus.

It is peculiar that many were described as having “somehow harmless asertions.” I took down two of these points because they contained the words “Act Up!” This is not harmless. This is the name of a hate organization. For those who do not recognize this group, these are the people who physically disrupted the Nov. 21 service in St. Patrick’s Cathedral in New York City. A young man from this organization, who intentionally crashed the November 21 service in the communion line, received the Body of Christ and said “This is my body which I will give for you” as he crushed the host and dropped it to the ground. This organization is responsible for disrupting the celebration of the mass at many times and in many places, by shouting and chanting during the liturgy. This organization disrupted a recent ordination in Boston by pelting the new priest with condoms.

Responding Appropriately
To the Editor,
I am writing in response to the latest editorial, "The Real Foundation of America," which appeared in The Cow! While I agree with the support for Kerry and her inclusion in the election, the article ignores the support for the RFCA and several other candidates. The RFCA is based on an idea which this country was founded upon. This statement is inherently biased and distorts the truth.

In the article Ms. Martineau stated that, in his speech, "Jack Kemp is a real person, a leader who stands for the American ideals, which this country was founded upon." This statement is inherently biased and distorts the truth. The RFCA is based on an idea which this country was founded upon.

Clearly, Ms. Martineau’s opinion is not an accurate reflection of the RFCA and its goals. In defense of this, I would like to present the following arguments and facts: the RFCA’s goal is to promote a fair and just society for all. The RFCA’s goal is to provide opportunities for all. The RFCA’s goal is to ensure that everyone has access to quality education, healthcare, and other basic necessities. The RFCA’s goal is to ensure that everyone has a voice in the political process.

In conclusion, I must disagree with the sentiment expressed in this editorial. I believe that it is important for everyone to have a voice in the political process. The RFCA is a group of people who work hard to ensure that everyone has a voice in the political process. I support the RFCA and its goals and I urge everyone to support the RFCA as well.

Kira M. Feeny ’97
Chairman, RFCA
Filling the Gap
105th Congress Unrepresentative

by Amy Rodrigues '97

Asst. Editorial Director

American women still do not enjoy the representation in politics that should accompany the dramatic increase in the gender gap.

As a woman, and as someone who has tried to see the positive qualities in a candidate for the presidency, it was obvious in the last months that my search would prove to be fruitless. A 73 year old, WWII Veteran, who grew up during the time when America was primarily concerned with the threat of communism and nuclear weapons. A woman who has been part of the old political system since before women and many other minority groups were active participants, could not possibly understand the issues and concerns that I, and many other women have in the present and in the future. Could she never come close to representing the women, including her own wife and daughter, must face now and in the future. As we did, women have had a profound and influential effect on what goes on in our government.

But, despite this obvious influence, the fact still remains that our government is largely unrepresentative of the numbers of women who are interested and active in politics. If over half of women have grown in recent decades, but women are still not enjoying the representation in our government that is deserved. It is a sad fact that leads one to question how can it be that more women vote, that women overwhelmingly influence the results of elections, and yet there is still an unrepresentative number of women in office. If, in fact, women have such a great influence, and candidates are sensibly trying to appeal to women voters, why do we not have a pivotal role in the direct positions of government? Why are we considered powerful enough to elect our officials but not powerful enough to stand up and gain the equal representation and influence in decisions that we deserve in our government?

This, of course, is a complicated subject that needs to be answered by simply skimming the surface of a situation that has plagued women for centuries. However, we can all at least realize that it does not make sense to have such an influential gender gap that seems to be deciding who gets elected to office and who doesn’t, and only men who hold the highest positions of office. If women are going to maintain the influence that they have exerted in recent elections, it would be most beneficial to begin demanding equal representation in our government, and begin fully utilizing the women who have gained over the past decades.

The Paradox of Technology

by Mike Sullivan '97

Editorial Manager

We are living in a modern age. We take for granted technological advances in transportation, medicine and communication that were incomprehensible a very short century ago.

We can fly to almost any destination in a matter of hours; we can send and receive large amounts of information electronically through e-mail and we can speak to virtually anyone in the world.

Even with all of these luxuries at our fingertips, the world is still trying to deal with one of humanity’s most basic concerns: ensuring that in the future there will be enough food for everyone to eat. At the moment it is estimated that 30,000 children die every day from malnutrition and starvation. However, with the population growing faster than our ability to grow food, these numbers could skyrocket if certain policies are not put into effect.

If things proceed on their present course, then we are heading for disaster. The United Nations International Children's Education Fund (UNICEF) reports that one third of children in Asia, Africa and South America are sitting on the road to catastrophe. Some people say that a food shortage would not affect us here in the United States and therefore we should do nothing to help avert it. The truth is that a food shortage would affect Americans by dramatically increasing food prices.

Besides, Americans may always have enough to eat, but we still must fulfill our responsibilities to the poorer nations of the world, if we want to truly help themselves.
by Elizabeth L. Dureya '97 Editorial Writer

Once I had settled down from the hype, ponderous symbolism and "in your face" action of the latest adaptation of Romeo and Juliet, I began to reflect on what this movie is saying to our youth. Although I would like to believe otherwise, I will not pretend that the kids in the theater were watching the film to see the attractive, young stars of the movie or to watch the love story unfold. The reason I say this is because the majority of the audience immediately goes to the bathroom.

The passion and action of the movie was interesting to me as I attempted to compare this modern interpretation with the text which I had struggled with back in high school. Through studying the tragedy we gain a cultural and historical context through which we can understand the customs and conflict of Shakespeare's setting. The movie purp, a popular story in a modern setting which is flasby and fast and places at the center of all of the violence, the families who fall in love, get married and commit suicide amidst the violent conflict and passion. The sadness and pain of the story and language of Shakespeare in a modern setting is clever, but if young adults have not read the tragedy (which I am buying for them) they may get the wrong message from this movie.

The movie begins with a violent confrontation between the Capulet and Montague families, which is true to the text. The sword fights in the Shakespearean text suddenly become gun fights as the two families face off with semi-automatic guns decontaminating the crest of their respective family. Neither one of the parties are fighting with these massive guns; looks old enough to be driving a car, much less toting a deadly weapon. Although a sweet name, the timeframe of Shakespeare was a powerful weapon there is also an element of truth in it. The truth is that the beater will know how to handle the weapon and use it effectively. Guns in the film are being glamorized. I know that they do not need any glorification to become involved in intimate relationships with the oppsosite sex, so why is Hollywood making it so attractive and available for them to see and imitate? "Many of the violence scenes in the movie are not handling the love of Romeo and Juliet is "ill-iterate" even if they have not read the book or seen the movie. The scene is so disturbing and the look on the lovers was brilliant until the moment when Juliet put on a semi-automatic pistol to her temple and shot herself.

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by Kristian Martineau '98 Editorial Writer

We live in a society where teen drug and alcohol abuse is on the rise. This is partly due to the fact that many children come from homes where both parents must work just to keep up with the liabilies. As a result, children have more time where they are not being supervised and adult. This can lead children to experiment with drugs and alcohol without their parents' knowledge and approval.

Anti-drug programs have been established nationwide to combat the problem. The D.A.R.E program - Drug Abuse Resistance Education - has been established in nearly 80 percent of America's school districts, but unfortunately has not proven itself effective. A University of Michigan study shows that in 1995 16 percent of heroin users had graduated from high school and 2.6 percent had used cocaine. These figures were significant jumps from 1991.

The D.A.R.E program sends police into the schools to present 17 lessons on specific drugs. The program received a $500 million federal subsidy and therefore is cost-free for schools. Unfortunately, the D.A.R.E. program has not proven itself overwhelmingly efficient in reducing the problem of drug abuse. One of the possible reasons for the decline of the program is the fact that it is presented by a police officer. Children associate police officers with authority and have a hard time communincating with them on an equal level. There is automatic reisgnation.

A new program has been developed in New York known as "Life Skills Training." Its goal is to reduce the rate of teen drug abuse. The program is designed to present a series of role-playing and problem-solving routines and not even treat the problem. The idea is to present material, in the context of social skills, in math, in a situation where the children are not regarded as the drug users. Instead of police officers teaching the lesson, the program is presented by home room and classroom teachers.

These are people that the kids already know and are less likely to challenge them. The program focuses on the immediate effects of drug abuse rather than on long-term effects that kids may not always relate to. There are 15 sessions and they are designed to make kids more confident, more assertive, and more attentive. They are less likely to be challenged. This program has proven to be more effective than drug education. The D.A.R.E program, we argue, is not about implementing it nationwide. One reason may be that the D.A.R.E. program is taught by police officers and school officials may view them as having more expertise in the field. Another reason may be that, if kids are not learning from the police then the program is worthless. The Life Skills class seems to be on the level of junior high school students. It only makes sense to implement a program that is going to be effective. Drug abuse must be reduced, especially in school. In order to attack the problem, we must make sure that we use the most effective methods of education, and at this point the Life Skills class is the one.

by Jamie Lantis '97 Editorial Editor

We truly are a gambling culture, and we are an unlucky one at that. Whether it's Nevada's Venetian or New York's Coney Island Boarding House Sweepstakes or the Daily Numbers game, everyone is trying to get a break. The luck of the slots, the odds for this obsession classic and racial boundaries, and reach the point where gambling becomes a habit.

The rise of the gambling industry and its popularity among the underclass is a direct result of the book, "The Gambler's Temptation," by Charles Dumas. The book is a single-handled mystique, the luck of the dice, the thrill of the outcome.

The proliferation of gambling in America is a consequence of our gambling culture and not an aberration. Despite this fact, the newspaper headlines and sports columns criticize the students and portray this gambling as a surprise. This portrayal is inaccurate and hypocritical.

Consider the headline in the Boston Globe, which ran following the tragic story of "Glenn Pool Runs Deep on Campus." The Globe supported the "Youth in the Mainstream: How gambling affects college campuses" with a survey conducted in 1991. The survey found that 26 percent of college students have gambled at least once, and that at least 10 percent of those students are likely to be "pathological gambling problems.

A survey from 1991, while representing only one-third of the schools, does not explain the force behind the increased gambling on college campuses. What is happening is that the Globe, among others, is trying to explain away what we already know about this disorder in our society. We are all to blame for the glorification of gambling.
"I Quit" -- Shaggy

What is the meaning of life? Practice. What is Zen? Practice. Why do you read, breath, sleep, play? Practice. Why do you feel? Practice. Why do you think? Practice. It is more than you that is willing here at PC you have heard of this.

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Felton's Fun in 42nd Street

by Pete "Shaggy" Keenan '99

A&E Writer

Practice. Practice is really the best an-swer for any question about life or the meaning there of. Practice is the non-specific solution which sat-isfies any dilemma or quandary about the universe and its inner work-ings.

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You know, we cover a lot of things here in the ARTS and Entertainment section of the \cowl\—movies, theatre, Shaggy. But one area that has lacked our regular constructive criticism has been the area of choral music on campus. Come to think of it, we sort of ignore the whole music department. Jazz bands, concert bands, and all of the choruses usually don't get any local press. Well, that era is over. This past Arts Festival has opened our eyes (well we've actually always known that we didn't cover much) to what PC's Music Department has to offer. As a peace offering, both the editor, Mike, and the assistant editor Venessa decided to write articles about the music department for this issue:

by Venessa Anderson '99
A&E Editor

Who better to start this critique with than the faculty of the Music Department? Last Thursday, November 7th, the Music Department presented a Faculty Recital in Blackfriars Theatre. The program was diverse, with music from Brahms, Handel, Mozart, Bizet, and Maurice, and one original composition by our own Marina Zabinski. In an intimate setting, the Faculty Recital provided a unique opportunity to experience the music and to interact with the performers.

The Faculty Recital was a definite success, no doubt about it. I know that not the only one who is looking forward to more. However, one faculty member was not able to make an appearance on stage at the recital was Mark Conley. Conley is a relatively new member of the music department. He arrived in Providence last year from Montclair State University (campus), continuing the program with a Handel "Sonata in D Major" accompanied by his harpsichord. I'm not exactly sure how he would describe his first year, but I would venture to say that it was extremely successful and definitely encouraging. The program of music included a duet for two, the evening choir and I Cantori, in fact. A traveling choir, the Concert Chorale, has been added. This program is doing an exchange performance with Villanova on St. Peter's Church on the 23rd of November at 7:00. The Concert Chorale is also traveling to Florida this winter to perform for alumni and hosting churches at Ft Lauderdale, Naples, and Venice.

I firmly believe that the Faculty Recital was a great success. Mike and I were originally going to write this article together, but before we knew it, our letters kept passing, and swelling so that it became apparent that we had to expand it to a double feature.

So, that said, take it away, Mike.

by Michael P. Sableh
A&E Editor

The ever impressive I Cantori did not fail in their role as closers of the first act. With only 13 members they were the smallest of the three choruses. They began with a Strauss version of Ave Maria. They continued into Like by the Khasidim a Nigun. This piece was entertaining and I Cantori really got into it and looked like they were having a good time. It sounded perfect, and we didn't stop there. The final piece, Full Moon, closed the chorus section on a high note. The I Cantori is a very talented group of people. All three choruses will perform again at the annual Christmas concert, which the A&E section can hardly wait for.

The band program also had a chance to strut their stuff. Under the direction of Mark Conley, the concert band started with Trombone King, a spirited number which was written by Karl King. After that Mark Conley announced that their next number was for any children in the audience (including myself). "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," by Alan Menken and Stephen Schwartz captured the classic Disney orchestration. The band played a nice selection of the show, even though I am usually anti-Disney, I very much enjoyed the performance.

After a short five minute change the Jazz Band took the stage, and in my opinion, stole the show. They began with "Potato Blues" by Matt Harris. It started out as a nice number, but then through a series of solos, the band really energized the crowd. They started with the extremely talented trombone player Joseph Susar, who through the use of a mute, cranked out an incredible solo. Susar really got into it, and his enthusiasm rubbed off on the other soloists. Other standout include Richard Brewer on guitar, and Craig Donnelly on Alto Sax.

The fun did not stop there though. Conlon spiritedly led the Jazz band into a tribute to Miles Davis. Selections were melded together from "So What," "All Blues," "Seven Steps to Heaven," and "Milestones." Near the end, the drummers, Greg Mara and Jim Gilroy, were allowed to loose (as much as the song would let them). In all, the Jazz band performed well as a group and put the whole audience in a really good mood. If your foot was not tapping during the performance, then you probably do not have a pulse. But now, probably in both the relief and dismay of Father Brocato, the Arts Festival has come to a close. A sincere congratulation should be issued to his efforts. All the events drew more people than we expected and we can say with complete sincerity that it was a huge success. Thank you Father. This Festival of Arts was crucial to our Arts Department. As any student interested in the cultural aspects of our campus could voice, music, the arts, and art have not been many fostered. As Fr. Brocato put it at the closing, "We're headed in one direction now, and you can see that it is the direction we're going up."
The story is simple. Based on a story by Richard Matheson, the Richard Price (Clockers) script is held together very well by both the directing and the acting. It stars Mel Gibson who plays Tom Mullen, a self-made millionaire pilot who owns his own airline. Reno Ross plays his wife, Kate. Their son, Sean, the Mullens, form a perfect family: inviting rich people over for dinner, exciting the press people out of their penthouse apartment, you know, other down-to-earth activities. The family is brought down to earth by the kidnapping of their son. After the kidnapping, Delroy Lindo, with help from Agent Hawkins, their "helpful" link to the FBI, Gary Sinise also manages to attract an appearance as a private investigator. The plot hits its major turning point when Gibson decides to take matters into his own hands. Gibson becomes the ransomer as a bounty on the kidnapper's head. The director's sense of timing is excellent. The audience is left with some suspense and some unanswered questions in the end. The movie is well made and directed. Tom Mullen, a self-made millionaire pilot who owns his own airline. Reno Ross plays his wife, Kate. Their son, Sean, the Mullens, form a perfect family: inviting rich people over for dinner, exciting the press people out of their penthouse apartment, you know, other down-to-earth activities. The family is brought down to earth by the kidnapping of their son. After the kidnapping, Delroy Lindo, with help from Agent Hawkins, their "helpful" link to the FBI, Gary Sinise is also managed to attract an appearance as a private investigator. The plot hits its major turning point when Gibson decides to take matters into his own hands. Gibson becomes the ransomer as a bounty on the kidnapper's head. The director's sense of timing is excellent. The audience is left with some suspense and some unanswered questions in the end. The movie is well made and directed.

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by Eric Cutler '98
A.D.E. Writer

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Liz Benson-Prof. of B.O.P.
Prof. Joe D-Adams-Prof. in Accounting

1:30pm-2:00pm: Mike Walsh-Pres. of Student Congress
Dave Rudy-Men's Hockey
John Boyle-VP of Friar's
Nick Kett-Men's Track
David "Johnny" Brown-Midnight Madness Lip Sync
Mike Liard-Pres. Class of '99

2:00pm-2:30pm: God Shagam-Men's basketball
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Seryl Jones-Women's Volleyball
Matt Potter-JRW Core, Orientation Leader

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"We don't think ANYTHING should be changed!!"

Rizzo & Matty: "We would have a stronger focus on campus issues instead of underclassmen's weekend activities and habits!"
Features Writer
by Patrick Canale '97

Somehow in this article there is a deliberate mistake. If you can spot it, feel free to circle it and send it in. I will announce the winner in next week's column. Last week's winner: an anonymous person on The Cool staff.

Anyway, on with the count-down.

I think I am getting dumber. I am really scaring myself. Just now, I whacked Mike's 'CD player off the counter when I was trying to give him a high-five and mirror. Earlier today, I whacked my knee really hard on the end of a table. Last night, I jammed my finger into the door as I tried to open it. Honestly, I am not usually this clumsy.

Other examples of conspicuous stupidity, last Tuesday, while driving to the mall, I drove right past my exit. Later that day, I washed a load of dark clothes in hot water instead of cold (I know it is not really that big a deal, but my favorite pants will never be the same). Also, if I don't write stuff down lately. I forget it without seconds. And I repeat myself a lot. And I have been repeating myself a lot.

What do all of this mean? Why is all of this happening now? And to me? One theory I have is that, after taking both Macroe and Microeconomics last year, there is no room left in my head. The part of my brain that controls the normal everyday motor functions had to renegotiate its lease and wound up with less space.

"I'm going to start complaining again this week?"

"Yes, unfortunately, I think so."

Another possibility is that, subconsciously at least, my brain is plotting against my being on track to graduate in the spring. Perhaps if I solve some major injury on myself, I will have to repeat a semester or two. Or, if my subconscious is responsible for all this, the whole chain of events could be a way to ensure that no one will hate me and I'll have to go to grad school. If I show up sufficiently baged and bruised at interviews, they will think something is wrong and no one will hire me... (Additional evidence supporting this theory can be found in the fact that I showed up at one interview with my fly down. This was by far the stupidest thing I have done yet).

"Wow, he has absolutely no shame, does he?"

"No, I'm afraid he doesn't."

I know things will be O.K. when I get some rest. Until then, I wish I could just put a sign up on my neck saying "ACCESS DENIED - FIREWALL SERVER." The process must has been reached whenever my brain is starting to feel like this. Things would be so much easier. (Another example of something bad that I did was get lost on the way to IHOP the other day. I did not include this in the above section, however, because I think I was more overwhelmed by hunger rather than acting genuinely stupid. This was really tough on me because the more hungry I got, the more lost I got. Anyway, when I finally found it, the puns were exceptional.)

"Was this a cute little article about all the things that have been happening to him lately or was he really just bitchin' and meanin' about how tough his life is?"

"I think maybe a little both."

"Can anyone else hear the voices in my head?"

"No, I don't think so."

"So is this an ending or a cop out?"

"A cop out."

This is actually a stupefying human trick by Brian Kenney '99

As a kid, being sick meant staying home from school while mom tended to every want and need that I could have. My mom would take on the role of super-human mom until I got better. At 7:30 a.m. a phone call to my school would have already been made, telling them that I would not be attending. Also by that time she would have made an appointment for me to see my doctor that afternoon. Worrying about getting prescriptions or filling out lengthy health forms was all taken care of by mom. The only thing I had to do was lay in bed and get better. And of course getting better meant lying on the bed or couch watching the Price is Right and all those cartoons I would have missed if I was in school. My mom had everything so well planned that at 3 o'clock my homework for that day would be in her hands. She would either enlist the help of a neighbor kid to get it from my teachers or pick it up herself. Now I know getting homework when your sick is not a good thing, but it just goes to show what my mom would do for me.

Getting sick at school is an entirely different story. For one, mom is nowhere to be seen. I received my homework on day 1. Feeling like everybody had decided to get sick on the same day that I did. Unfortunately for me, it seemed

For the first time in your life you have to take care of yourself when you are sick. Mom is no longer there to watch over you and make sure that you get better.

I am not suggesting that you should do it. We are perpetually changing, accompanying such alteration is an evolution of thought leading to a deeper realm of intellect. I inquire the source of such profound pondering without any success of my own for I am without direction and without a guide. in such uncharted territory, I question the reason for my present position and the value of such wisdom if it leads no further. I look towards a greater power than I but only find myself alone.

The circular quality of life leads us through a series of revelations and detours. a life of religion and conviction of Belief in the inanimate leads to doubt and confusion.

In a universe of such grandeur and immanence I reach a clearing only to find I am lost. I do not question the existence of a supreme being in an effort to rebel from a prearranged faith. I question for will in the soul, its nature and its purpose. I shall accept all words spoken, the value of a faith not found within, not going to class does not get you better. I have found myself in moments of denial, of emptiness. I have found my worship to Be as close as the heart of my spirit. I have asked myself, during periods of intense dejection, if I would have knowledge of such divinity without the influence of established society, if perhaps I have fallen into the worship of make-Believe. I rationalize, to the extent of my capacity, that such a universe would not be possible without divine intervention. But I humble myself to understand the limits of my mind. I will never know the answers to all the questions. I will never possess the mind of a god. But a belief is challenging. I have faith in what I believe. My Belief is not to be subjected to scrutiny for it is my faith. the manipulation of my eternal growth and change. it will forever exist in the soul and be the beliefs. I am all of life, of death, of the flesh, may we find a lasting harmony in the freeing of our own faith, our own beliefs.

Being Sick at School Stinks
by Emily Benfer

Features Writer

I did not have mom telling me to eat something, or to "drink lots of liquids." I made an attempt to eat, but Raymond Cafeteria is not a good place to eat when you are sick. I wanted jello and chicken soup like my mom used to make for me when I was sick. I ended up spending the next two days living off of miracles from Mugat.

The next morning I waited close to two hours to see the doctor for a total of five minutes. The results of my throat culture never arrived that day, so even the doctor could not say for what I was wrong. I finally walked out of the way they were one step ahead of me all of the time: causing long lines and testing my patience. I waited in the waiting room, as patiently as a person can with a fever that was causing me to sweat, waiting for my turn. At the end of my final turn and I bought what I had to buy.

On the third day I finally felt better and went to my classes. Of course going to class didn't make me feel better when I realized how much work I had missed. I came home really frustrated about all the work I had to do.

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS

Fr. McPhail would like to remind all students NOT to leave items that can easily be stolen in the apartments (i.e. televisions, stereos, microwaves) in apartments over the Thanksgiving Break.

For those living off-campus, this time has been a time of robberies in the past. Be smart and take your valuables home with you, for your protection....its worth the extra effort.

HAVE A GREAT BREAK.
Choose Your Own Adventure

by Ellen Mastrostefano '99

Featuring: Me

Do you remember giving your parents that final hug goodbye before waddling off to kindergarten with your trusty Mickey Mouse lunch box in hand? You were wide-eyed, eager and probably a little scared. Not much has changed. With the taste of paste still fresh in your mouth, you are now being forced to choose what direction your life will take. Buckle up, you are in for a bumpy ride.

I like to think of life as a series of stages. Stages in which we may or may not always fit. For example, while driving to work one day, I passed a playground full of toddlers and older kids running, jumping and just having fun being young. If I had listened to my heart at that instant, I would have found myself parking the car and joining those kids in playing a game of dodgeball. However, I kept driving since society tells me that at this age I must move on and become responsible for my own financial security. A person may be truly happy only if they are not able to make much money (hence the term, "starving artists"). I do not mean to be greedy when I say this. In a perfect world, all people should be able to live reasonably comfortable lives doing what they enjoy most. However, this is far from a perfect world (just watch the news some time). On the other hand, you could listen to the wise words of Robert Frost: "I took the road less traveled and it has made all the difference."

Another aspect of life I have to do with time. If you have already decided that your career path is heading towards the professional level, more power to you. You are halfway there. You have direction, but you do not know how to define it. You are in store for you on the graduate school level. Are you willing to make the time commitment? How about the financial commitment? These are just some of the integral questions a person must ask himself or herself.

One of the biggest fears I have is that I will become a career in which I am not working to my potential: However, a career in which I find myself is not over my head seems as bad. But how do you get to a happy medium? So many questions, so little time.

When I was a little girl, I would change my mind about what I wanted to be when I grow up like I would change toothpaste. Once I could not squeeze anymore out of the idea, I would get a new one. Now, I have chosen a solid career path, but I still find myself doubting my future. A part of me wishes I could go back to the end of life like you would do to a book, just to see how the story will end. All I can see is myself and my friends and I am left wondering of what the future has in stores for us. Some of us may go and fulfill our lifelong dreams and others of us may just fall into an occupational field. Only time will tell.

One comforting notion as we journey through life is that we will never lose the "child" in us. No matter how many responsibilities we may have at any given time or however old we are, there will always be times in which other people can see a child in us. This little sparkle in our eyes. Until then, let's go outside and play.

by Ali Fallon '98

Features Writer

The cold weather has finally arrived and most people have finally packed away those short sleeve shirts and shorts that you were wearing. The glorious sunny outlook that we were brace the undo task of unpacking all of your bulky winter gear (if last year's winter was any indication of the upcoming one, this should include lots of snow gear)! Speaking of snow gear, have you ever realized the various strange and ugly fashions that have thrived over the years during this season?

Let's start with handgear. On your first trip outdoors into the harsh winter cold, your mother most likely put annoying things over your hands that greatly constricted the movement of your fingers. Some pairs not only did not allow you to move your fingers, but were tied together so that you could not even move your hands more than six inches either. How many of you remember how torturous these mittens felt? Mittens got even worse as you got older and tried to participate in snowball fights, snowboarding, or playing with snowball ones. This put your opponent at and advantage because you had to be constantly watching his every move.

Touch of Fine Pieces of Me

by Lori D. McCrevan '99

Features Editor

I think that there are pieces of me that have never been seen. No one knows the parts of me that I did not choose to show. I did not want to be a disappointment, it just happens. I did not choose to show, but you, it seemed so easy. I have never asked for forgiveness because I do not think that I have done anything wrong. I have not asked for anyone's forgiveness, but I know how it feels to love and someone to respect me. I fell in love with Charles simply because he was the best at his job. I ordered ice cream one night, and he was the one that delivered it. He was not stunningly handsome, but I searched for money to tip him with. I thought I tipped him with my phone number instead. Needless to say, he called and we went to see a movie. It was the first time I had gone on a date since I got to school. I never really considered the guys that I met at school, but Charles made me change my mind. He made me think about what I want in my life and trust in him. I told him my secrets. He was the one that told me what to wear and how to act. I feared him, and he thrived off that. He knew that I would not approve of anything but his personality. He knew that I would not have anything to avoid this type of rage and his. I got a job for my door, but he moved in on his fun. I hated him most of the time, but I convinced myself that I had to love him. I would be nothing without him. He used me, but I guess I do love him.

I came here to hide from him and escape my nightmares. But I cannot show that I have trust once again. I must have scared Charles. Apparently, he could not love someone that had been controlled for so long, I would have let Charles control me, but he was not allowed to. I wanted nothing to do with me. Some secrets should stay hidden, even if they eat away at your soul.

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Chaplain's Corner
A Family Affair

by Fr. Joseph Barranger, O.P.

College Chapel

In the three years that I have been chaplain of Providence College I have heard a great deal about the "family" atmosphere that pervades the campus. In fact, it was precisely this aspect of Providence that most interested me when I arrived here. I soon learned, however, that there is a tremendously diverse family in many ways. People here support one another and care for one another. They sometimes do not appreciate one another, and they occasionally hurt one another. That is the way that it is in most families. My concern about all this "family" talk is that it will become another cliché. We cannot afford to let the idea of a family "formally" become another selling point for the college, and we should constantly ask whether or not we are what we say we are.

Like any other close relationship, a family relationship takes a great deal of hard work. At Providence College, we as a school, must work to make sure that no person is excluded from our family. If people are excluded, they have less to do with institutional policy than with personal prejudice. For some at PC, the "family" atmosphere is the perception of a different race or creed. It may exclude people because of their ethnicity or sexual orientation. The fact that PC is a Catholic school can never be the justification for excluding anyone. It is precisely because PC is a Catholic school that all people must be ent

agreed with Ms. King's statement. There are many people at Providence College who are dedicated to the support of students who are dealing with sexual identity. How sad that some students feel that they need to go underground in order to feel accepted in this "family." The further people become convinced the less likely it is that they will receive the friendship and support that there are groups of people who feel that they can announce their presence on campus only in codes of players. It is a bit like leaving calling cards around town while refusing to meet the town's citizens. I do not know about you, but I am still hopeful that I will have a chance to meet every citizen — every member of PC's "family."

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Left Right

Thought of the Week

There are two tragedies in life. One is to lose your heart's desire. The other is to gain it.

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George Bernard Shaw

Ruminating the Past of Providence College

by Kate Fournier '99

Features Writer

Monday was Veterans' Day, a national holiday that I look the opportunity to remember the fallen heroes of our country. This nationalistic affection somehow led me to be curious about a subject having nothing to do with Veterans' Day, but having everything to do with remembering. In my classes and among my group of friends, I have noticed a general interest in the history of Providence College — what the campus looked like, and what the customs of the college were. My father passed on stories about the memories of the men and women of America who gave their lives for their country. I think it is important to remember the fallen heroes of our own country. This nationalistic affection somehow led me to be curious about a subject having nothing to do with Veterans' Day, but having everything to do with remembering. In my classes and among my group of friends, I have noticed a general interest in the history of Providence College — what the campus looked like, and what the customs of the college were. My father passed on stories about the memories of the men and women who served in the military.

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Has any time been spent at Providence College that you consider the most significant? Why?

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Sarah Valente '99

Features Writer

He packed his things and left the house.
She told him to come back right away.
He tried to piece together what was left of his broken heart.
She went back and did the same.
He couldn't believe he had left her.
She had no right to make him stay.
He went back to pick up what he had left there.
She had already put his things right by the door.
His left hand grabbed the doorknob as he started to go.
She put her right hand on his shoulder and began to cry.
He thought he wanted to be left alone.
She felt the right thing to do was to forget about him.
He would rather he left for dead than to live without her.
She could not think of something more right than to love him.
Together they formed what was left of the right thing they had ever done.

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Bonnie Valente

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Ruminating the Past of Providence College

by Yvonne M. Arnarsen '99

Features Writer

One of the great joys in college is e-mail. Electronic mail is the down-fall of many students — it is just so tempting to write one more letter or check your mail one more time. It is one of the most addicting pastimes that an average college student can have.

As a freshman, one of my big concerns was retaining in touch with a lot of old friends. I am not the best letter writer because I love the excuses of not wanting to look up the address or not having a stamp. E-mail solves those problems. The addresses are stored underneath nicknames and it is free (thanks to our annual technology fee). It is also very fast. Instead of waiting two weeks for a possible reply, you may find out the same day what your friend's crisis of the week may be. I found that I felt more in touch with my friends and my family because I found out on Monday what they did that day.

E-mail, however, is addictive. I check my mail on average, six times a day. It is a lot easier to do this when my roommate has a computer and e-mail. I have heard that my last year checked their mail at least once a day when they had to go to the computer lab to do so. It is a great procrastination technique to go and read or write an e-mail instead of reading...
try reverse again
its not moving, what's it's problem?

GRIPPER

This car is always giving me trouble!!

peter mitchell

maybe you should just give up parallel parking altogether
yeah, i guess its not my thing

Scientifically Speaking...

The loops of Henle and collecting ducts are positioned in the medulla.

KIDNEY

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Wanting to impress Father Mark,
Chris blurt's out "What is the importance
of the LOOP OF HENLE?"

A TIME TO REMEMBER!

stay tuned next week for the continuing saga of
Blunder-Man...
PC Stuns Villanova, Misses Tournament

by Ken Martin ’99
Sports Writer

Four years can go by very quickly. Just ask Providence women’s volleyball seniors Becky Loftus, Carol Lukosik and Sarah Parsons. The trio played their final home games for the Lady Friars this past weekend. And what better way to cherish the final moments on their home court than a comeback, upset win over Big East power Villanova.

In what Head Coach Karen Mendes described as a “very encouraging way to end the season,” Providence came back from an 0-2 deficit to surprise the Wildcats in a marathon 3-2 victory 12-15, 10-15, 15-8, 17-15, 16-14 Sunday afternoon in Alumni Hall. Leading the way for the Lady Friars was senior captain Becky Loftus who tallied a team high 30 kills and notched a gaudy .491 hitting percentage. Loftus also recorded 26 digs, a major factor in the comeback versus Villanova’s powerful offensive attack which out-hit PC .40-25 in the first two games of the match. For her efforts, Loftus was named Big East Player of the Week while, also, helping move Providence’s record to 16-17 overall and 3-6 in the Big East.

“Overall Becky is definitely the catalyst of the team,” said Coach Mendes of her senior captain. “Physically and emotionally she helps to get wins on the court and she helps behind the scenes motivating the people around her to work hard. When she and the other seniors play well it usually means a win for us. We will miss their leadership.”

Despite the win, Providence was mathematically eliminated from the six team field which will compete for the league championship at the Big East tournament the weekend of November 22nd in Georgetown’s late surge. The Lady Hoyas’ last-hit Providence 79-58 and improved their Big East record to 5-3, 18-12 overall, a record which may be good enough for a berth in post season play.

“Even though we lost to Georgetown it was a very positive effort to close the home season,” mentioned Coach Mendes on her team’s unwarranted losses. “We played particularly tough versus Georgetown and hopefully both this past weekend will help to motivate and intensify our play in the final two games of the season.”

Providence will travel to New Jersey this weekend to play Seton Hall and Rutgers Universities on Saturday and Sunday. The two games will most likely decide the race for ninth place in the conference between the three teams. PC will look to gain some closure on the 1996 season with the potential to finish the year 18-17 with two wins, which is two wins better than last year’s 16-16 mark.

“This coming weekend’s games are important for a pride sense and our overall ranking,” acknowledged a positive Mendes. “We can possibly finish 18-17 which would be a big positive and a high note to the season.”

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have high expectations for the Friars; there are plenty of other polls to bring us back to earth. Street and Smith’s, Preview Sports, UMI Basketball Handbooks, The Sporting News, and Dick Vitale’s College Preview (just stick a knife in our heart, Dickie V!) don’t rank the Friars among their top 25. PC barely breaks into the rankings in the Blue Ribbon Yearbook (23rd) and Lindy’s (54th). The Friars draw similar reviews from the Associated Press poll (26th) and the USA Today/ESPN Coaches Poll (36th).

The Big East Coaches’ Pre-season Poll, while not concerned with placing teams, does put the Friars second in the Big East behind Syracuse. PC, however, received more first place votes than the Orangemen.

But we know that these rankings don’t tell us how good the Friars are really going to be. SI recently bashed its high expectations largely on the astronomical improvement of Croshere, who has risen from a UConn scholarship reject to an All-American and NBA prospect. In the feature story SI writer Chad Millman describes Austin as a man so obsessed with his game that he has resorted to a life of crime (shhh—no one tell Father Smith about how he broke into the gym to workout all summer). Judging from that behavior, we shouldn’t be surprised if we learn that Austin even steals bagels from Raymond Cafeteria.

But the consensus in the pre-view magazines is that the Friars must improve their defense this year, and Coach Gillen agrees. The Friars defense gave up 74.8 points per game last season, ninth in the conference. PC probably didn’t break into a lot of the polls because of their defense. The Friars haven’t tested the regular season waters yet but those old weaknesses, defense and rebounding, have resurfaced in pre-season contests against Washington AAU and Yugoslavians.

Croshere was particularly disappointed with the team’s showing Tuesday versus Yugoslavia. “The way we played tonight we wouldn’t make the top 30,” he said. “He does think, however, that the Friars are worthy of a #14 spot if they play to their potential.”

But it’s only November, and the NCAA tournament and the final rankings are just a dot on the far horizon. So we’ll just have to wait and see what Dick Vitale is saying about the Friars in March.

NEWS AND NOTES

- Coach Gillen is notoriously critical of his club’s defense, but he took time out to praise Jason Murdock and Carter Wright for their defensive performances against Yugoslavia. Murdock was all over the floor disrupting the action with his long arms, and Wright shut down the Yugoslavians’ point guard in the second half. Murdock complimented his “D” by sticking some outside jumpers, which helped the Friars overcome the Yugoslavians’ zone.
- Ruben Garces has sat out the Friars’ two exhibition games with a bruised leg. Coach Gillen expects his center to be able to practice Monday and to suit up for action in Alaska. To add insult to injury, he has had to battle the flu this week too.
- The Yugoslavians exploited the Friars’ greatest offensive weaknesses. Their zone forced PC to launch outside jumpers, and their slow down style stymied the Friars’ fast break. PC will be vulnerable against big, patient defenders and helpless against zones unless Murdock, God Shammgod, Wright, and Austin Croshere can hit perimeter shots.
- Granted Garces hasn’t been in the middle to grab the boards, but the Yugoslavians outrebounded the Friars 31-29. Coach Gillen is concerned about this weakness and, given the Friars lack of height, they will need to start boxouting instead of relying on their athleticism to leap over people for the rebounds.
Cape Cod Contended

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Men’s Hockey Continued

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Danny’s fault, but I thought the change might give us a lift.”

At first it did, as a Dillabough tally at 16:57 cut the deficit to 3-2, and Kane made a beautiful glove save at 15:05, robbing Terrier Albie O’Connell’s point blank bid.

But BU struck twice midway through the second period, inducing Pooler to switch back to Den- nis. Unable to make good on the second life, Dennis was beaten by a Jon Coleman slapshot from out- side the blue line which gave BU a 6-3 lead at the end of the second.

“I thought it was pretty even the whole night,” explained BU for- ward Chris Drury, who tallied a goal and four assists on the night. “We got a couple lucky goals, the (Coleman) goal from the red line helped a lot. Today it was just a couple bounces here and there.

“I thought it was going to be another 2-1, 3-1 type game like (Friday night),” continued Drury. "Pucks were going in off legs, re- bounds, and whatsoever. It was kind of a weak game.”

The third period was just as ugly, including 20 penalties (there were 40 penalties for 100 minutes total), the ejection of BU head coach Jack Parker, and a fight that broke out while the two teams were shaking hands afterwards.

Just 51 into the third period, the Friars took the first step towards a comeback when sophomore Mike Onnicioli batted one home. But, again, the Terri- ers responded with goals by winger Mike Sylvia and Drury, scoring the game at 8:4. Dillabough and senior Rus Guazzotto added scores to close out the scoring.

“I told the guys getting a win tonight was going to be very diffi- cult,” explained Parker. “I told them that not too many teams are going to sweep (PC). It would be good if we could jump out ahead of them because I think they’re a top four team in our league for sure.”

So our boys were swept, and they have lost four in a row. No problem. BU defeated the Friars in all three regular season matchups of the collective scores by 16-6. In the game that counted, Providence slacked the Terriers 5-4 in the Hockey East Tourna- ment. According to Pooler, PC will learn from this in order to again be the better team in March.

“We didn’t beat the Terriers last year until we got to the Hockey East (tournament),” explained Pooler. “(BU’s) a great hockey club, they got out of the house and we just got to make sure we learn from it and realize we can play with any- body.”

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quality players the school has pro- duced.”

This year’s squad looks ready to step up and carry the torch of former Friar success. This is obviously a much younger team than the one that took the ice last winter. Youth is not the key word, potential is. This team has great potential, if the new recruits can step up. The focus on a powerful offense and brick wall goaltending will allow the Lady Friars to rack up wins, as long as the defensive corps lives up to potential.

Coach Barto’s enthusi- asm for the upcoming season is warranted, considering the win- ning tradition she has helped to carry on at PC. This team is picked to finish behind Brown and UNH in the ECAC. Regular season picks don’t faze the Lady Friars because last year they finished fourth, but went to the finals. If everything pans out, look for a repeat perfor- mance.

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The focus now is to work on attaining another successful PC Friar baseball season.

"Playing at that level really made me appreciate what it takes to get there more," comments Incantalupo. "I think as a team we deserve to play in that league," re- lies Byron, "and I wish they could all get a chance to have that expe- rience.

This is an example of the

Sports Editor filling space... hope you enjoy it!

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Danny’s fault, but I thought the change might give us a lift.”

At first it did, as a Dillabough tally at 16:57 cut the deficit to 3-2, and Kane made a beautiful glove save at 15:05, robbing Terrier Albie O’Connell’s point blank bid. But BU struck twice midway through the second period, inducing Pooler to switch back to Dennis. Unable to make good on the second life, Dennis was beaten by a Jon Coleman slapshot from outside the blue line which gave BU a 6-3 lead at the end of the second.

“I thought it was pretty even the whole night,” explained BU forward Chris Drury, who tallied a goal and four assists on the night. “We got a couple lucky goals, the (Coleman) goal from the red line helped a lot. Today it was just a couple bounces here and there.

“I thought it was going to be another 2-1, 3-1 type game like (Friday night),” continued Drury. “Pucks were going in off legs, rebounds, and whatsoever. It was kind of a weak game.”

The third period was just as ugly, including 20 penalties (there were 40 penalties for 100 minutes total), the ejection of BU head coach Jack Parker, and a fight that broke out while the two teams were shaking hands afterwards.

Just 51 into the third period, the Friars took the first step towards a comeback when sophomore Mike Onnicioli batted one home. But, again, the Terriers responded with goals by winger Mike Sylvia and Drury, scoring the game at 8:4. Dillabough and senior Rus Guazzotto added scores to close out the scoring.

“I told the guys getting a win tonight was going to be very difficult,” explained Parker. “I told them that not too many teams are going to sweep (PC). It would be good if we could jump out ahead of them because I think they’re a top four team in our league for sure.”

So our boys were swept, and they have lost four in a row. No problem. BU defeated the Friars in all three regular season matchups of the collective scores by 16-6. In the game that counted, Providence slacked the Terriers 5-4 in the Hockey East Tournament. According to Pooler, PC will learn from this in order to again be the better team in March.

“We didn’t beat the Terriers last year until we got to the Hockey East (tournament),” explained Pooler. “(BU’s) a great hockey club, they got out of the house and we just got to make sure we learn from it and realize we can play with anybody.”

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quality players the school has produced.”

This year’s squad looks ready to step up and carry the torch of former Friar success. This is obviously a much younger team than the one that took the ice last winter. Youth is not the key word, potential is. This team has great potential, if the new recruits can step up. The focus on a powerful offense and brick wall goaltending will allow the Lady Friars to rack up wins, as long as the defensive corps lives up to potential.

Coach Barto’s enthusiasm for the upcoming season is warranted, considering the winning tradition she has helped to carry on at PC. This team is picked to finish behind Brown and UNH in the ECAC. Regular season picks don’t faze the Lady Friars because last year they finished fourth, but went to the finals. If everything pans out, look for a repeat performance.

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Aquatic Attack

by Joe Valenzano '00

Sports Writer

"Neither rain, nor sleet, nor snow can stop the mighty Terriers," is how the saying goes. Well, that quote should be modified to fit the Providence College men's and women's Swim and Dive Teams. Something like: "Neither the cold, the rain, nor snow can stop the swim team at PC." However, just like the mailman, it can slow them down.

"We have about 50% of the team down with the flu," explained Coach John O'Neill. "It's hit us hard.

Although the bag forced the postponement of last weekend's meet with Massachusetts, the sudden attack by influenza has not stopped the rigorous daily practices.

The first two meets held during the first week of November, included the season opener against Central Connecticut, and the Big East opener against Boston College. The team competed in the Big East despite beginning to feel the effects of the flu. The men lost a close match to the Eagles on November 6, 141-139, while the women lost 159-140 the day before.

"We were tired, and couldn't fill all the lanes," said freshman swimmer Kevin Reeder. "We would win the races, but lose the meet because they had more people who could finish.

In the men's match, sophomore Sean Connell posted wins in the 100 and 200 meter backstroke, and led the way for the Friars to win the 400 meter medley relay. A few days after his astounding performance, Connell was diagnosed with mono and is out indefinitely.

The day before, in the Taylor Natatorium, the women lost to the Eagles. They were led by Branford, Connecticut product Kirsten Newell, who was victorious in the 100 meter and 200 meter freestyle. This junior was a standout for a women's team that, like their male counterparts, has been hit by the flu.

On the second of November, both the men and women pitted their skills against a squad from Central Connecticut. The Friars won 122-104, led by senior Steven Joe. Joe finished second in the 800 meter freestyle and a member of the first place 200 meter freestyle relay team. Reeder also displayed promise, finishing third in the 800 meter freestyle, fourth in the 400 meter freestyle, and fifth in the 50 meter freestyle relay team. All in all, the Friars finished first in seven of the twelve events.

The women competed on that very same day against the women from Central Connecticut. Freshman Meghan Robinson led the Lady Friars with a second place finish in the 200 meter individual medley and a first place finish in the 800 meter freestyle. Junior April Amoroso finished first and second in the two diving competitions.

"April is a very strong diver," explained Coach O'Neill. "She dove very well.

Now that the flu is hitting a little bit harder in Central Connecticut," O'Neill said, "and had pretty good meets against Boston College," Good meets? How about performances by sick athletes that put the mailman to shame? It's hard to imagine how good this team will be with everyone healthy.

Mike Ahearn '97

Right Where We Want 'Em

by John Carcich '98

This week he actually made his deadline (belatedly)

Maybe the most difficult criticism a goaltender's job description is that the world knows when he's done an off day.

But the Terriers' matchup with power Boston University last Saturday showcased a rookie's nightmarish complete with weird bounces, 77-77 tie, and bounds coming out of everywhere. The result was a loss and a 2-1 tie in favor of the Terriers and completed the Terriers' season which began with Friday's 4-1 decision in Boston.

The good news is that the black and white didn't feel they played poorly last weekend.

"This weekend I think the team played well," said senior Tim Capelli '98. "Travis Dillabough, who scored both goals last night, said during the midweek practice on Wednesday, "I think we were disciplined and I think our team chemistry has taken both games. But Friday I think we just didn't get the bounces and missed a lot of good chances. We couldn't put them away.

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tough game," continued Dillabough. "It's not that we weren't trying or anything, but the bounces weren't going our way. And they're going to have that sometimes. We just have to hope to regroup and come out next weekend against the (Boston College) Eagles.

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Boston University held a 3-1 cushion in the end of the first. The third goal was scored by Terry defensemen Jeff Kealy with 32 seconds left in the period and prompted Pooley to insert backup goalie Mark Kavanagh. The starter Dan Dennis had "too many pull goalies," explained Pooley. "I thought they had three good goalies and at least one of them should have taken both games. But Friday I think we just didn't get the bounces and missed a lot of good chances. We couldn't put them away.

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On the women's side of the pool, there are nineteen swimmers and divers. The two seniors, Colleen Doyle of Bellevue, Wash., and Stacy Sweertz of McLean, Virginia, will captian this team this year. Of the remaining seventeen members, ten are freshmen, including Cherry Hill, N.J., native Courtnie Dwyer. The Lady Friars' top diver is a junior from Darien, Connecticut, April Amoroso.

Obviously, your next question is: How is the team going to be? Well, with only five seniors of both squads combined, the team is in a rebuilding year. Keep in mind, rebuilding is a word you hear often.

"We are rebuilding in diving, but both teams are still pretty much where they can score in every event," noted O'Neill.

This team proved that their determination and togetherness is without compare at the Hinkle Marathon. These Friars made a statement that they can do anything as long as they work as a team.

Coach O'Neill summed up his expectations in just a few words, "Our goal and focus is to do well academically and swim our best when it matters."

If you were to examine this statement you would find it hold true. The swim and dive teams hold one of the highest GPAs for any sports program at PC, so they are definitely doing well academically. If you were to stay a while at the Natatorium, and watch a meet or two, you would find that the team swims their best at every event, so every meet counts the most. Since every meet counts the most, every PC student should be there cheering on the Sub-Marine Friars.

Now, as you look on the wall you will find the schedule:

"Boston University, Seton Hall, Boston College, and UMass are our traditional rivals," explained Coach O'Neil. "They are all good matchups for us."

Now that you are psychic, and ranging to get your friends in on the news...you can see two meets against rivals in Taylor this year, including the January 12 affair against UMass and a February 13 battle with BC. The Terriers' captain wants to see only three seniors on the squad, Plano, Texas native Michael Alchum. The rest of the squad is made up of four sophomores and four juniors.

by Joe Valenzano '90

Zen Swim Master

"It's the ward of the swim season here at Providence, and everyone on campus knows what that means! No, not basketball, or even hockey.... It's swimming and diving season! Yes, it is true, those aquatic artists will once again be gigging competing for the Big East Conference championship at the Taylor Natatorium.

Whenever the Taylor Natatorium is mentioned, most PC students draw a blank, so here is a little background, not only on the swim and dive teams themselves, but what and where they compete.

The Taylor Natatorium, or pool as some members of the PC community refer to it, is located in Peterston. Where in Peterston? Well, if you were to walk in the main entrance, walk toward the glass, make a right, and go through the door, you would find yourself in the Natatorium itself.

Now that you are there, you might as well get comfortable, be come familiar with the members of the team, try a few laps and dive teams, and cheer them on at their meets. It would only be prudent and polite to start with the coaches.

The Head Coach of the PC Friar Men's and Women's Swim and Dive team is John O'Neill. Coach O'Neill graduated from Springfield College in Springfield, Massachussetts in 1981, and is in his thirteenth season at Providence.

"I'm the senior member," smiled O'Neill referring to the length of his tenure here. "Except for Coach Tomsic (golf)."

The three assistant coaches are all in their first year at Providence, Colleen McGarry, a graduate of the Providence College class of 1996, Andy Flynn, a product of UMass Dartmouth's class of 1993, will be coaching the divers. Finally, Stephanie Green, a senior here at PC this year, is the student assistant.

Now that we have met the coaches, let's meet their proteges. There are fourteen members of the men's team, including three freshmen. Among those freshmen is the team's diver, Mark Harasym, who hails from Newton, Con necticut. The team's captain is one of only three seniors on the squad, Plano, Texas native Michael Alchum. The rest of the squad is made up of four sophomores and four juniors.

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Flight Brown Leads Team to 74-61 Victory

by Cory R. McGann
Sports Editor

It's tough to concentrate when you are the center of the Universe. The Providence College men's basketball team this week were picked to finish top 20 in the nation in more than a few basketball magazines this week, and the hype that has followed has been enormous. So you can imagine how tough it must be for the team to concentrate on the task at hand, namely a Tuesday night matchup with the Yugoslavians Moran Select team.

The Friars came away with a 74-61 victory behind the stellar play of Derrick "Flight" Brown. Flight, a senior forward, was a master in transition scoring 13 for 17 from the floor for 31 points while hauling down eight rebounds.

Senior shooting guard Jason Murdock was also a major catalyst for the Friars as he tossed in 12 points to go along with five boards. Head Coach Pete Gillen praised Murdock's defense as well. "The key to the game," explained Gillen, "was the defense...of Jason Murdock."

Superstar forward Austin Croshere had a very Austin-like throw to give the Friars a nine point lead, 26-17. After an exchange of a Yugoslav layup and a Shammgod jam, Flight scored a layup to open the Friar lead to double digits, 30-19, prompting a Yugoslav timeout.

Yugoslavia pulled within nine with 7:56 remaining in the second half and seemed to be threatening. However, it was freshman N'dongo N'dayi who stepped up for the Black and White. Known usually for his shot-creating defense, "Junior" had a layup and knocked down two free throws to open the lead back up to 13 and give the Black and White the lead for good.

Flight stressed the team aspect of the Friars, indicating that the reason for the extra rebounds was the loss of Rubin Garces to injury (Ruben will be ready to go when the regular season starts). Yet even he indicated that the team was aware of the high rankings the team has garnered.

"We're a lot more comfortable this year. We're not worried about the rankings, we just have to take it one game at a time. If you take things one thing at a time, the next thing you know you look up and you've got through the season...we'll be all right."

Gillen was textbook Gillen: underscoring the negative and rearing down the defense. "We won, but we didn't play well...we need to pick up the pressure and get out into the open court."

The Friars open their season in the frozen tundra of Alaska in the Top of the World Classic on Fri., November 22nd.

Friars Picked to Finish 14th

by Gladys Daniel '99
Sports Writer

With March and the NCAA tournament maddeningly far away, basketball fans who have endured a summer of Dream Team III highlights need something to satisfy their roundball cravings. And nothing will take care of hoops hunger better than the vast selection of college basketball preview magazines and preseason coaches' polls.

Not that we don't know that pre-season predictions are about as useful as the calories from the extra piece of pie that we gobble down at Thanksgiving dinner. Indeed some clubs with lofty expectations will have already been upset and will have plummeted in the rankings before any of us make it home for the turkey.

So perhaps we shouldn't get too, too excited when Sports Illustrated decides to rank our men's basketball team FOURTEENTH IN THE NATION!!!

Yes, the god of all sports publications, in its college basketball preview magazine, Sports Illustrated Presents (available only on newsstands) gives the Friars the #14 spot in its preseason poll and situates them at the top of the Big East 7 Division. SI even devotes a two page spread to All-American candidate Austin Croshere.

It gets better. SI sent one of its college basketball writers to our campus last week to ferret out some information for its regular college basketball preview due out in late November or early December and available at newsstands or via subscription. That means Coach Pete Gillen's squad will likely garner more national coverage and a spot in SI's top 20.

Not bad considering the Friars missed the NCAA tournament last year and bowed out of the NIT with a faint whimper. But while SI and College Sports Magazine (they also rank PC (14th) might continue on page 20

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Corey Wright 0-1 0 0 1 0 2
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Abdul Brown 2-3 0 0 6 6 0 9
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Mark Adams 0-1 0 0 0 0 1
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Friar Field Hockey Grabs Second in Big East Tournament

by Mike Friss '97

Sports Writer

For the first time since 1991, the Providence College Lady Friars played in the one-game Big East Field Hockey Championship. The Friars fell to the #5 Connecticut Huskies at the Huskies' home field by a score of 3-2 on Sunday afternoon after defeating Boston College on Friday. 3-1. Looking at the situation half of the season, one never would have guessed that they would have ended their season so well.

Early in the season, the Lady Friars suffered the two worst losses of the season, 7-2 to UConn and 5-1 to Boston College. They lost five of their first seven games. They were only scoring 1.6 goals a game while letting up 3 or 5 to the opposition. Standing at 5-5, they seemed to be headed nowhere, fast. But then they began to turn things around. They won their next four out of five with defense, allowing only five goals. Then after two one-goal losses, they rallied off five wins in six games, including four consecutive shutouts by rookie goalkeeper Andrea Weyl. During the stretch, the offense came alive scoring ten goals, led by Heather Koopman who has three of the goals and an assist.

That was the status of the team headed into this weekend's Big East Championship at Storrs, CT. Seeded third, the Lady Friars' first opponent was #2 seeded Boston College. Once again, Weyl led the defense, making 11 saves between the pipes and allowing only one goal. Erica Hebert, Mirandi Baig, and Koopman each scored, with Paula Wagner and Kathleen Schanne assisting on Koopman's goal. The final was 3-1, and besides avenging the early season loss to the Eagles, they advanced to the Conference finals against the nationally ranked UConn Huskies on their home field.

The underdog Lady Friars fought hard against a team that lost only one goal all year and had defeated them by a score of 7-2 earlier in the season. PC's two leading scorers, Paula Wagner and Heather Koopman, scored each of the goals in the last game of the season. But the two scores just weren't enough as the powerhouse Huskies mustered three.

So to no one's surprise, the Huskies walked away victorious, but to everyone's surprise, except avid Providence fans, it was the Friars they had defeated the fi-

Pipeline to the Majors

The Cape Cod Baseball League has had its share of pros

by Kim Galipeau '99

Sports Writer

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

Cape Cod League ballplayers have continually been making an impact for many years. One would be surprised to find out all the Major League players who have come through the league. Many majors have run around the same bases and wore the same uniforms as our very own Friars. That's got to be pretty thrilling for the current players in the CCBL.

"It's awesome to know that someone at that level played where you are now,” admits Fransis. "When Cordero (who once played for Cotuit) came down and met everyone. That was a great experience."

"Harwich has team pictures from many years back,” said Incandlalo, "and we all want to look at them. It's amazing to see all the Major League players." -

You realize that it's quite an honor to be asked down, and once you start to play,” according to Frederson, "you just do the best you can do.

You don't really think about how many major league ballplayers were once in the same situation. Now looking back, I guess I didn't see you, but pretty good..."

Cleveland's Albert Belle played for Chatham just like Friedman and Murray. He even set the League record for the most home runs in a season, a total of twelve in the summer of 1988.

Houston Astro Jeff Bagwell also played for Chatham in '87 and '88, and set a record with 33 walks. Chicago's Frank Thomas and Minnesota's Chuck Knoblauch played in 1988 as well.

The Red Sox also have many other team members who played in the league years ago. Tim Naehring played for Byron's Cotuit team in '87, competing against present teammate Mo Vaughn who played for Wareham. The following summer, Vaughn played again for and got the chance to compete against his fellow Seton Hall teammate and present Sox player, John Valentin, who played for Hyannis. Boston rookie Nomar Garciaparra just recently came out of the league in 1993, playing for Orleans.

The list goes on and on, and maybe someday we'll be able to add one or more of these Friars' names to it.

As the season winds down to a continued on page 21

by Frank Mills '98

Sports Writer

The changing of the leaves, that nip in the air, the tranquil beauty of late fall... the sound of a puck clanging off the boards, the goal tender gets caught mid-but-terfly. Ah yes, it's hockey season, and in case you didn't notice, the Lady Friars are a women's college hockey powerhouse. Since 1984, the team has won six championships and has played in nine out of thirteen final games. Last year, the Lady Friars were on the brink of another title as they were defeated in the final game 3-2 in the fifth overtime.

With that game behind them, the Lady Friars can look to win all this season, a task they are more than capable of fulfilling. Coach Jackie Barto, who has been with the Friars since the season with the team in 1994, the last time they brought home a national title as well as ECAC Coach of the Year honors, looks to continue the team's winning ways, "I think we are going to be successful like last year; this team has lots of potential."

Three forwards and two defensemen were lost to graduation, including ECAC Player of the Year Alana Balsboksi, who is now an assistant coach with the team. Offense will not be a problem this year, (not that it ever has), because returning are Laurie Baker, Jen Wagner, Alison Wheeler, and Moya Yates, among others. Baker led the team in scoring last year with 48 points as a freshman. Wheeler lit the lamp 19 times last season as a junior and is an ECAC All Star Candidate. Jen Wagner, the team's co-captain, finished last year with 26 points and is a great two-way player. On offensive production, Coach Barto remarked, "We have two solid lines, and a good third and fourth line. We hope to create a lot of offense.

This year's defensive corps lacks in experience but by no means lacks in talent. The offense production of Alana Balsboksi and Karen McCabe will be missed, but look for this young group to pick up the slack. Returning this season is junior Catherine Hanson, who set up 12 goals last year, and sophomore Katie Lachpele who plays both offense and defense. The rest of the defense are fresh-

men. Minnesota native Jennifer Ball is a strong skater with good hockey sense and should make an immediate impact. Joining her on the blue line is Katherine Cahill, a solid skater with good hands, Alain Francin and Anna Shipman with loads of potential, and Stacy Kreger, whose solid hockey sense will be much needed this season.

The goaltending corps is one of the best in the country, led by jun-

ior net-minder Meghan Smith. Her 899 save percentage and 2.85 goals against average gave the ECAC Tournament All Star a 11.7 record. Also competing for the starting position is freshman Sara DeCosta, one of the most

Junior net-minder Meghan Smith

finished last year as the best goalie in the ECAC

"The kids to this season will be powerplay efficiency, getting wins on the road, and solid play from the youth corps."

"The young kids need confidence, they need to mix in with the rest of the team," explained Barto. "The power play, which was 14% efficient last year (not bad), hopes to improve. That improvement will come from the young defensemen. Coach Barto, emphasizing the key for baseline support, said, "Our special teams are good, we're going to be looking to the new kids for production."

With women's hockey an event in the 1998 Olympics, greater focus will be paid to the sport. "I think there's more focus on the team this year, especially with the number of National Team players from Providence," explained Barto. "Don't be surprised to see a roster dominated by the Lady Friars on the ice at Nagano. Coach Barto added "We have a great pro-

gram here and that's evident in the continued on page 21"