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Faulty Surge Protector Causes Fire

by Mike Dever '98
News Writer

A fire broke out on the third floor of Dore Hall at about 2:30 a.m. last Saturday, destroying one room and causing smoke and water damage in several areas of the building. The building was evacuated and no one was injured. Despite the fact, the incident serves as a stern warning to residents to be wary of fire prevention rules and procedures.

Emily Benfer '99, whose room was destroyed by the fire, gave a powerful account of what happened, and what could have happened, "Four to five people could have died. My roommate and I and three of our friends would have been in that room sleeping if circumstances had been different."

By chance, Benfer had to go downstairs for a phone call and her roommate and friends were called down later to talk to residents from another hall when the fire broke out. Benfer detailed her horror at discovering that the room on fire was hers;

The alarm went off and we thought it was a drill. We went

outside and I saw flames coming out of my window. I just went into shock...I couldn't even walk," she said. Residents on Benfer's floor, thinking that people were still inside, hysterically pounded on the door before being instructed to leave by hall staff. A source stated

was caused by a defective surge protector. Surge protectors are not prohibited by fire regulations.

Rebecca White '98, the first floor RA, described the events leading to the discovery of the fire, "Myself and another RA were in the hall office writing our reports

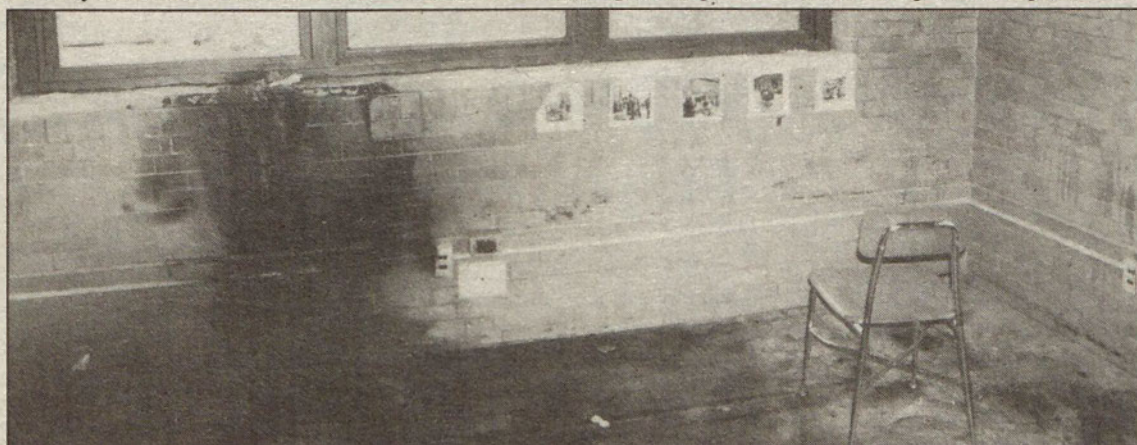
notified residents to leave the building. Firefighters arrived in less than five minutes, earning praise from Dore RA's, residents and the Hall Director for their quick response. After being thoroughly searched by fire officials, the building was reopened be-

were charred."

A large stereo was also reduced to liquid by the intense heat. Rooms on the first, second and third floors sustained smoke and water damage from the high pressure sprinkler system triggered by the small fire.

A hall meeting was held on Tuesday to discuss the cause of the fire and safety regulations. Kara Schlick '96, the third floor north RA, defended the hall staff's handling of the situation, "Everyone handled it well. The most important thing was that no one was hurt and the fire was contained to one room." Schlick said that she had conducted fire inspections on Friday morning and had witnessed no violations. She added that the residents who had been evicted by the fire would be able to move back in about two weeks.

Dore Hall Director Dave Lowe stated that he did not know the cause of the fire or who, if anyone, would be held responsible. He went on to praise the college's fire procedures. When asked if he would make any changes in wake of the fire, Lowe insisted that, "This college has the best fire safety standards in the country. Everything worked perfectly."



by Jennifer Piehler

Fire damage in the third floor room was extensive

that fire code violations were found in the room, including candles and an extension cord. Benfer admitted having candles in the room, but denied any other violations. She stated that Richy Kless, Associate Director of Residence Life, told her that he was told by fire officials that the fire

for the night when at about 2:45 a.m. someone knocked on the door and said that there might be a fire on third floor north."

Dawn Giarusso, the other RA on duty, went upstairs with the person to investigate and saw smoke in the hall. Giarusso pulled the alarm and, along with other RA's,

tween 5:00 and 5:30 a.m.. The hall staff was left to assess the damage and pick up the pieces. Four rooms at the end of third floor north remained blocked off due to damage. In describing the room where the fire originated White stated, "The room is destroyed; shades and pictures were melted and the windows

Off-Campus Security: To Protect and Serve

by Mary M. Shaffrey '97
News Editor

Since students returned to PC last month, increased Providence police patrols have been in the traditional off-campus housing residential area. Whether in cars or on foot, these cops are in place from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. on both Friday and Saturday nights. The reason for this is because the school administration is paying for the cops to detail the area for the students safety and to make sure things do not get out of hand.

According to Maude, a police detail spokeswoman, the school is paying \$33.32 hr. for each police officer, and \$36.22 hr. for the Sergeant that has been hired. In addition the college is also paying \$10 hr. for the two patrol cars in use. All toll, the school is spending close to \$1340.00 a weekend for its off-duty police coverage.

Every year the school hires police detail for this area, and for the 1995-96 academic school year they have kept the same amount as in past years.

Many students felt this past weekend there was less of a pres-

ence in the residential area then had been in previous weekends since the semester began. According to Fr. J. Stuart McPhail, O.P., Vice-President of Student Services, this was a decision on the part of the Providence City Police Department, not the school.

"The school provides for a two patrol cars and two sets of two on foot patrols. Ideally we would like to have all foot patrols, but that is not realistic. This past weekend, the city didn't put extra patrols because they probably felt it wasn't needed. At any point in time the police department makes this decision, and it could change at any time," he commented.

Sergeant George Stamatakis (PC '73) of the Providence Police Department confirms what McPhail says by stating, "everything starts from ground zero. We (the police) work from there, whether in response to something, or in anticipation of it. We cannot however predict what is going to happen or what we will need."

He went on to say that reasons for an increase or decrease in patrols could be related to the community policing

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World Wide Web Activated

Some students upset they still cannot access system

by Michelle Boozang '97
News Writer

Providence College's Campus is no longer an isolated microcosm in the wide world. It is now a part of the World Wide Web.

Recently, PC became one of the growing numbers of institutions and individuals to join the millions who can access one another via E-mail on their computers. In its most basic form, the Internet, as it is commonly known, allows users to communicate directly with one another via computer over long distances, virtually instantaneously, at little or no cost.

At Providence College, there are two ways to access the Internet: either from one's own personal computer or in the computer lab on the Local Area Network (LAN). There are two ways in which the personal computer may be used: by way of a modem, by which the college's central gateway is accessed (via phone line) and eventually, directly, by a connection through special jacks in each student's room.

For those who have experience with commercial on-line services such as Prodigy, America On Line and Compuserve, Providence College's installation will be familiar to them. One of the differences is that Providence College is now the network server instead of the commercial service. There are some other differences of course, but basically, the two serve the same func-

tion. They both allow access to all who utilize similar services throughout the world.

Most students are having relative ease in getting on-line with the new system, and are glad that PC is finally up to date.

"It is about time we got on the information highway, even though we are driving a slow car! It works, and I guess that is all that really matters," commented Michael Richards '97.

Some, however are upset because the PC system is not accessible from their Macintosh computers. Chris Long '96 stated, "I paid my technology fee, and just because I have a different type of computer, I do not understand why I cannot access my acwas originally called ARPANET (Advanced Research Projects Agency Network). From meager beginnings with four computers connected to one another, this early 1969 experiment demonstrated the capability of computer communications over long distances. The Internet is accessed most commonly by four major types of users whose Internet addresses reflect each type. These include educational or institutional, government, corporate, and personal. These are reflected in the network address extension for each. For example, a student would type "your login id" @ sequent 1. providence.edu."

Each of the users, whether connecting to the Internet via a computer with a modem or a computer

on the LAN, client software is needed. This enables the user's computer to become a node (client) on the Internet. Students can now take advantage of all Internet clients—programs offered with different functions. Netscape and Eudora are two software programs in use on campus. They allow student users to "browse" the World Wide Web, and guide students through the Web. For example, students may access various information by simply inputting a subject or clicking on an Icon, describing the information needed. As one student put it, "It's like having a whole library at your fingertips," and best of all it's open twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

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To show the vast extent of the Web, during the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait when U.S. forces invaded, they found one of the primary Iraqi military communications media to be the Internet. And despite efforts to disable it, none were successful which demonstrates the reliability, robustness, and ubiquity of this technology.



Students roaming Eaton St. last weekend

by Michael Carriere

Pope Initiates Relations With Communist Cuba

As Pope John Paul II travels throughout the U.S. this week, the Vatican is pursuing diplomatic dialogue with Fidel Castro, and has reopened talks with the Cuban government about the possibility of visiting the Communist-ruled island.

Despite reservations because of the Pope's role in the collapse of Communism in Poland, Castro was receptive to those initiatives, according to diplomats and church officials in the U.S. and Cuba.

They predict that contacts between the Vatican and Castro will intensify. Cuba is the only Latin-American nation that the pontiff has not visited.

A reopening of the talks was reported Sunday in *The Miami Her-*

ald. Quoting unnamed Vatican officials, the report said that the Pope was expected to raise the issue of Cuba when he met with President Clinton in Newark, NJ on Wednesday.

The report also said that as a result of recent discussions between the Holy See and the Cuban government there was a "50-50" chance that the Pope would meet with Castro within the next year.

The Papal Nuncio in Cuba, Archbishop Benjamino Stell, declined either to confirm or deny the possibility that the Pope might visit Cuba.

"I know the subject of Cuba is very much in evidence this weekend," said Stella.

Yeltsin Popularity Plummets

Russian General Alexander Lebed is fast becoming the country's most popular leader, far outpacing President Boris Yeltsin in recent polls.

Lebed is being touted as a Russian Colin Powell - a tough, honest general with simple, patriotic values and an outside shot at the presidency.

His first test will come on December 17 during Russian parliamentary elections. Lebed is the number two candidate on the ticket of the Congress of Russian Communities, a party founded in 1993.

Lebed seems to possess a "soft" form of nationalism, avoiding rac-

ist, antisemitic, or Anti-American rhetoric.

In a recent poll commissioned by the Washington-based International Foundation for Electoral Systems, 18% of the respondents gave Lebed a "very favorable" rating, compared with 2% for Yeltsin.

Lebed commanded a Soviet battalion in Afghanistan and catapulted to fame in August 1991, when he led a group of tanks that defended Yeltsin's White House during the Communist coup.

Man Dies Over Niagara Falls

A 39-year-old stunt man trying to draw attention to the plight of the homeless rode a jet ski over

Niagara Falls and plunged to his death on Sunday.

Robert Overacker was from Camarillo, CA. He went over Horseshoe Falls with a device strapped to his back that included a rocket to lift him from the jet ski and a parachute to be opened manually.

His parachute failed during the ride down the falls. His jet ski bore a sign reading "Save The Homeless."



Terrorists Convicted in United Nations Bombing



Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman and nine other Muslims were convicted Sunday of conspiring to carry out a terrorist campaign of bombings and assassinations intended to destroy the United Nations and other New York landmarks, kill hundreds of people and force America to abandon its support for Israel and Egypt.

A federal jury that deliberated for seven days returned to a heavily guarded courtroom in Manhattan and pronounced the 10 defendants guilty on 48 of 50 charges.

It was a sweeping victory for prosecutors in a trilogy of trials stemming from the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center, which left six dead. The defendants were not accused of that bombing, but prosecutors said four men convicted last year and two to be tried next year were conspirators of those convicted.

The aim of the conspiracy, ac-

cording to prosecutors, was to create a cataclysmic "day of terror." Five bombs were to blow up the U.N. Headquarters, the Lincoln and Holland Tunnels, the George Washington Bridge, and 26 Federal Plaza, the government's main building in New York.

Abdel-Rahman, 57, a blind Egyptian cleric who came to this country in 1990 and attracted a following of Islamic fundamentalists with his denunciations of U.S. policies in the Middle East, was found guilty of directing a conspiracy to wage "a war of urban terrorism" against America and of plotting to kill Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Alcohol Use Among Teens on the Rise

An increase in drug and alcohol use among teenagers has led to an overall decline in health.

The study, released on Monday, shows an increase in cigarette smoking, as well as the use of cocaine, crack, marijuana, and alcohol.

"These behaviors are occurring

mostly in 10th and 12th graders, but we're also worried about a significant rise in eighth graders' marijuana use," said Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, Dr. Alan Leshner.

There is a decrease in the perception of risk," said Leshner. Overall, the U.S. received a "D" rating for its children's health in the annual Report Card on Children's Health released by the American Health Foundation. Last year's rating was a C-.

The findings are based on national health data from the Department of Health and Human Services, the National Institutes of Health, the National Cancer Institute and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"We're going in the wrong direction, and the less attention we pay to children's health, the more we're all going to pay," said American Health Foundation President Dr. Ernest Wynder.

We're ignoring a critical time of development, when health attitudes can be formed for the better," said Wynder.

Among 68 areas of health rated, nine received lower grades than in 1994, while only three improved.

In the category of infant mor-

tality, 1994 statistics show that 6.9 white babies per 1,000 births die before their first birthday, while 16.9 black babies per thousand die. This statistic places the U.S. behind 12 other industrialized nations in the area of infant mortality.

Airports Under High Security

Airports were ordered into the highest state of security since the Persian Gulf War on Sunday as defense against possible terrorist attacks.

"Based on several current and future events, more security measures are now warranted," said Secretary of Transportation Federico Pena.

A department official said the increased security was related to several sensitive events - a group of militant Muslims being found guilty Sunday in the New York terrorism trial, the signing of a Middle East peace treaty, the visit of Pope John Paul II this week, and the United Nations' 50th anniversary celebration.

"There is a general level of possible threats that we're vulnerable

to because of several things," said the official. "We're not seeing threats related only to transportation issues, either. I would expect within the next few days or next few weeks to see a general tightening of security everywhere."

The stricter airport security measures could include closing rooftop parking lots, searching cars, towing vehicles left unattended outside terminals, asking for picture identification of suspicious persons, searching baggage and ending non-passenger access to certain airport areas.

A spokeswoman for National and Dulles International airports outside of Washington said passengers shouldn't expect many delays because people seem accustomed to increased security. Most international passengers arrive two hours before scheduled flights and domestic clients are now asked to arrive one hour before takeoff.

The Clinton Administration began a security crackdown at federal buildings after the April 19 bombing of a federal building in Oklahoma City. On August 9, Pena ordered a "Heightened state of alert" for transportation facilities nationwide.

Rocky Point Closed for the Season, and Maybe for Good

Warwick's amusement park Rocky Point closed its gates on Sunday to end its 1995 season. It is questionable whether it will reopen next Spring.

In 1994, with Rocky Point \$9 million in debt, its owners filed for protection from creditors under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy laws.

Frank Kirby, a lawyer for the park told a federal bankruptcy judge in Worcester, MA last week that he was close to an agreement with the park's creditors that would allow Rocky Point to stay in operation, and that he needed more time to finalize it. A court hearing has been scheduled for October 18.

"I hope they stay open," said Rose Montagne from West Warwick who frequents Rocky point. "I'd like to come again, and families really have a good time over here. Sometimes you can see the kids feeding the seagulls. It

would be too bad if they closed."

Rocky Point President and General Manager James C. Callahan said attendance for the season was up slightly from a year ago.

"We had a great summer," said Callahan. "It went very well. We'll start getting ready for next year starting tomorrow."

D'Andrea Surrenders

Thomas D'Andrea, a major figure in Rhode Island's credit union collapse, surrendered Monday to start serving a five year term in the federal penitentiary for lying to bank officials to obtain a \$2.8 million loan.

D'Andrea was in Superior Court Friday attending to some unfinished business.

He pleaded no contest to 16 charges related to \$10 million in

fraudulent loans that helped sink the Davisville and Rhode Island Central Credit Unions. He also entered no-contest pleas to two other unrelated criminal charges.

He was sentenced to a five year prison term, but, he will be allowed to serve this sentence at the same time as his federal sentence. The state is not demanding restitution in connection with the credit union loans.

He will be paying restitution to Estelle Chase, an investor in one of his real estate ventures. He also owes \$6,214 to cover two bad checks he wrote to a Warwick real estate agency.

After the hearing, Prosecutor Joseph DeCaporale said the numerous lawsuits had been filed against D'Andrea and his alleged conspirators in connection with the bad credit union loans.

D'Andrea who once operated a high-profile real estate company in

Cranston was one of several businesspeople and credit union insiders charged criminally in the wake of the 1991 credit union collapse.

Law Student Remembered

Maynard Howard Clarke was remembered and celebrated before more than 200 people at his funeral on Sunday in Barrington.

Clarke was killed September 24 in a boating accident off a beach in Miami, FL. He was a second-year law student at Howard University, where he graduated from in 1989, and planned to be a sports lawyer.

Director Emilio Estefan and pop singer Gloria Estefan were involved in the accident. The police said that the Estefans are not considered at fault.

The Episcopal funeral at St. John's Church in Barrington was led by Rev. Shirley Andrews.

Speakers included law school classmates, friends from Clarke's childhood, and college classmates.

After the last speaker remembered Clarke, Andrews said that in all the funerals she attended, she "had never had so many people come forward to express their love."



UNICCO Workers Look for Support

by David M. Canal '98
News Writer

June 30th, the Providence College Physical Plant workers' contract expired. For the last five months, they have been trying to negotiate a new contract, but it was to no avail. Also, last spring, members of UNICCO joined the Service Employees Union. This union represents the Physical Plant which also has not come to an agreement on a contract. Although UNICCO workers are not employed by PC, UNICCO workers are upset that PC allows this mistreatment to occur and look to PC for support.

When the Physical Plant contract expired, the workers expected the same increases in wages as the rest of the college. According to Karen McNich, Labor Representative for both the Physical Plant and UNICCO, "We figured that Physical Plant would receive the same wage increase of 3.48% that the rest of the college faculty received."

According to McNich, negotiations did not work out that way for the Physical Plant. Says McNich, "The Physical Plant workers were only offered a 2% raise."

Since June 30th, the Physical Plant has continued to operate under the terms of the old labor contract in hopes of working out a new one. According to McNich, however, the last option was to file an unfair labor practice charge against the college.

"We feel that PC is not bargaining in good faith. It is really frustrating. We aren't asking for much, just the same increase in wages as the rest of the college," McNich says.

Michael Frazier, Chief Financial Officer of the college, commented on McNich's charges by saying, "The college is still discussing a contract with the Physical Plant Union. Since the first week of August, we have been utilizing a federal mediator (which both parties agreed to). We hope to come to some resolution with Physical Plant in the near future."

As far as the unfair labor practice charge is concerned, Frazier went on to say, "There were claims

by union relations to unfair labor which were raised with the National Labor Relations Board. To my knowledge, all charges were ruled to be unfounded by the National Labor Relations Board."

As for the UNICCO employees, their problems lie with the UNICCO company itself. Providence College hires UNICCO to provide services daily; and in turn, PC pays the UNICCO company, not the employees themselves. The employees are under contract with UNICCO. In December '94, UNICCO joined their union and negotiations have been underway since early spring.



A UNICCO worker in McViney Hall
by Heather Dewar

According to McNich, "UNICCO employees have been exploited for years. UNICCO employees on average make just \$6.36/hour. UNICCO employees also have very little benefits. They are not provided with sick time or a pension. UNICCO employees are offered a health care program called Medtac, a program which according to most workers covers very few doctors which would appeal to many of the employees coming from different ethnic backgrounds." Also, the plan costs \$30 each week, which is extremely costly for someone making just \$6/hour."

McNich continues, "We were

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Student Exchange program with Johnson C. Smith

by Colleen Pappas '99
News Writer

Choices. That was the subject addressed by speaker Mr. Joseph A. Caffey '74 at the fourteenth annual reception of the Balfour Center for Multicultural Affairs. The reception, which was held on Saturday, September 30, was attended by approximately 200 people. The topic was an appropriate one, especially considering that students may not be aware of all the choices provided by the Balfour Center through academic and cultural programs.

The exchange program between Providence College and Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina is such a program. The exchange, which was established three years ago, is open to all juniors for their first semester. The aim of the program is to, "broaden the academic and social experience of a PC student by attendance at a predominantly black liberal arts university," according to the program's pamphlet.

Johnson C. Smith University was chosen mainly for its academic compatibility with Providence. According to Dr. Robert Hamlin, the Director of the Martin Luther King Scholarship Program, students who take part in the exchange would have no trouble adjusting academically to the University. The major-

ity of available majors and course offerings correspond easily to the Providence College curriculum.

The two schools are also similar in background, both having been founded by religious order, Providence by Dominicans and Johnson C. Smith by the Committee of Freedmen of the Presbyterian Church. These institutions eventually developed into the co-ed liberal arts schools they are today.

"The Balfour Center," expressed Hamlin, "is strongly urging all students interested to apply." Hamlin continued, "Once the program takes

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-Dr. Hamlin

off, I'm sure it's going to be very successful. It would be a rich, rewarding experience for those who take part - both academically and culturally."

Dr. Hamlin, who assisted in the planning of the exchange program with Dr. Maxine Moore, the Vice-President for Academic Affairs at Johnson C. Smith University, was

given the opportunity to visit the southern school during the planning.

"I was tremendously impressed not only with the student body, but with the diversity of the faculty as well. The student body is predominantly African-American; approximately fifty percent of the faculty is African-American also, but the remaining faculty is comprised of people from many ethnic backgrounds."

Willesse A. Commissioning, the Dean of the Balfour Center for Multicultural Affairs, feels that the exchange would allow students not only the opportunity to experience the environment of a different school, but in a different community, as well.

"Charlotte," proclaimed Commissioning, "is a great town! For people who have been brought up in the Northeast - the rest of the country is kind of foreign. This program would be a chance for people to explore their own country."

"In the South," Commissioning explained, "the pace is different. People take the time to talk with each other and help each other out."

Any students interested in the exchange program should write a letter of application to Dean Commissioning, in which they should

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Cults on PC Campus

by David M. Canal '98
News Writer

A cult is not a complicated term. A cult is simply a word used to describe a group of people who share a set of beliefs. These beliefs may or may not even be of a religious nature. In fact, in the second and third centuries, the most notorious of new cults was Christianity.

So what makes the issue of cults on campus one that demands serious attention from all members of the Providence College community? Within the past 20 years, a huge movement of "destructive" cults have been forming, especially in the northeast. These destructive cults engage in mind

manipulation and thought reform.

On the campus of Providence College, a certain destructive cult has been on the campus looking to recruit new members. At a Resident Assistant In-Service on Tuesday, September 26, Dean Robert Thornberg of Marsh Chapel at Boston University spoke to all PC RA's about the dangers of cults. Dean Thornberg detailed the procedure by which cults operate.

According to Thornberg's experiences at BU, "It all starts on the first day of school. Nice people show up at your car and ask to help you move in. Next thing you know, they are inviting you to dinner and when you decline their invitation, the guilt factor sets in. The motivation force behind all destructive

cults is guilt." Thornberg continued by saying, "What a typical destructive cult member will do is target a vulnerable student, most likely a freshman who is sitting alone in the cafeteria, one who needs companionship. The cult member will then strike up a conversation with the individual and out of sheer coincidence, they just happen to have everything in common."

According to Thornberg, friendship in college is the most important thing for a student in a new environment. These destructive cult members are instant best friends for people. Thornberg refers to this whole process as "love

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Internet is Here

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PC Cadet Honored

by Michelle McCarron '96
BN F5 Public Affairs Personnel

This past summer Providence College ROTC student Jeremy Black '97, participated in Camp Challenge at Fort Knox, KY. Camp Challenge is a six-week summer camp designed to present military instruction to students who want to enroll in the Advance Course without partaking in the Military Science I and II courses.

Black, an MSIII cadet and a sociology major from Scarborough, ME, not only successfully completed the strenuous training at Camp Challenge but was also the recipient of an extremely prestigious award - The German Armed



courtesy of Michelle McCarron

Cadet Jeremy Black '97

Forces Efficiency Badge. The German Armed Forces Efficiency Badge can be worn once a cadet has been commissioned as an officer, and is an honor for an American to receive.

The competition was held on July 2, 1995 at Fort Knox High School. Only 2.5% of the cadets who competed for the badge were victorious. The standards for winning the badge were extremely high. The cadets had to contend in five athletic events: 184 meter nonstop swim MALE (5 mins, 31 secs.), Shot put MALE (8 meters), 5 Kilometer run MALE (23 min.), Long Jump MALE (4.75 meters), and 100 meter sprint MALE (13.4 secs.).

Cadets had three more obstacles, a 20 kilometer ruck march which Black finished in 1 hour 20 min. (allotted time was 3 hours 20 mins.), a written first aid test in which cadets needed a perfect score and finally a M16A2 marksmanship test. Cadets needed to hit 32 targets out of 40. Black hit 32, which is impressive because it was his first time firing the weapon.

"When I won the award, I received much praise and respect from the Drill Sergeants and my fellow peers," Black stated.

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able to get a 3% raise increase for 3 years and sicktime for the UNICCO employees, but a 3% raise for someone making \$6/hour, with no pension and poor health care coverage is just not acceptable."

"What we're asking of the college community is for their support," says McNich. "We want to make sure that the college community is aware of what's going on here and hopefully we can get some support for the UNICCO employees."

Until a contract is passed, both Physical Plant and UNICCO will continue to pass out informational flyers and have scheduled a rally at Slavin Center on October 10th at noon.

by Robin L. Erickson '98
Asst. News Editor

Last week, at the Faculty Senate meeting, an issue arose with PC's Faculty Exchange Program. This program enables children of PC employees to attend one of 375 colleges or universities in the US as part of an exchange program. On the flipside, children of employees from other colleges may attend PC within the program.

There are a few guidelines that need to be met before one can partake in the exchange program. Any employee of PC, whether a janitor, professor, or administrator, who has worked here for seven years full time (or ten academic years for secretaries who are not year-round) is entitled to send their child to any of the approved 375 schools for free tuition. The average is about \$14,100 and if the school costs more, it is the students' responsibility to pay the difference. The cost of room and board is not included in the exchange program. This program also includes the Dominican fathers, whose nieces and nephews are allowed to take part in the program.

Tuition Exchange Causes Controversy

Practically any college or university one can think of is included in this program. Johnson and Wales, Roger Williams, Bentley, Assumption, Emerson, Mount Holyoke, Springfield, Stonehill, Wheaton, Connecticut College, Sacred Heart, Quinnipiac, Hofstra, Rochester Institute of Technology, and Syracuse to name a few. Virtually all of the listed schools are liberal arts schools like PC.

The conflict with this program arose when a member of the Faculty Welfare Committee questioned the Administration's decision to allow the son of Edward J. Caron, Vice President of Institutional Relations here at PC, to attend a school not affiliated with the tuition exchange program. Mr. Caron responded that former President Father Cunningham agreed to send his son to Notre Dame because of the controversial projects with which Mr. Caron was involved. He feared his son would be treated differently. Some faculty members were upset with Caron's accusations. Dr. Richard B. Goldstein, chair of the Faculty Exchange program, states that he "does not know anyone who would take anything out on an eighteen or nineteen-year-old kid for some-

thing their father did." In fact, he believes "most of the faculty is friendlier" to children of faculty and is more apt to give them breaks that regular students do not receive. Other faculty members questioned the preferential treatment that Mr. Caron received. Despite repeated efforts to contact him, Mr. Caron was unavailable for comment.

"There are nineteen students here this year receiving the scholarship, as opposed to twelve last year. The average is usually in the teens," Goldstein states. To balance the numbers out, PC sent out fifteen students to other colleges on the exchange program this year. An effort is made to keep a balance with the number of students going in and out of PC, so as to keep the finances in order. Goldstein stresses that "no money is exchanged, or at least it's minimal. It tends to balance out after a while—you have to—if you get too far in debt, the national organization cuts us off."

If the exchange program is not suitable, then there is always the tuition remission program. Reverend Robert E. Bond explains that "PC has been doing tuition remission forever." Tuition remission

involves free tuition here at PC for children of full-time employees. Anyone who works at PC, along with their spouses, may also take courses for graduate studies or personal reasons at the expense of the college.

A student is not guaranteed the free tuition, however. They must go through the regular application process and be accepted to the college, for starters. Then, if the college chooses, they may receive a scholarship granting them free tuition. If an employee retires or dies while still employed by PC, their children or spouses are still eligible to receive the tuition remission.

Faculty members are entitled to have their tuition fee waived immediately upon full-time employment at PC for any undergraduate, continuing education, or summer school courses that are pursued. After one year, immediate family members of an employee are granted a fifteen percent remission rate of undergraduate courses. Every year, an additional rate of fifteen percent is accumulated until full remission. All these tuition breaks are given in addition to the employee's weekly paycheck.

Cults on PC Campus

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bombing," where the cult member convinces the student that he or she is important enough to be instant friends. Says Thornberg, "When a friendship is fraudulent, it is evil. It becomes destructive when individual is brought into a group or community. People just want to be a part of the group."

The next step in the process, according to Thornberg, is a "cloning" process whereby the individual is taken into the community and goes through group meetings where he or she is given a set of ideas which are brainwashed into their mind. "Everyone at the meetings pretend to be a newcomer, too. So when you look to the left of you and someone says, 'Yes, I understand what he's talking about, it tends to influence the real newcomer.'"

During these meetings, destructive cult members will often place a huge amount of emphasis on peer pressure and manipulation on the new individual. They attempt to program certain responses into the individual's head such as "Crush the devil." The devil is anyone who doesn't agree with their thinking. They also tend to avoid any

wonderful question, we'll get right to it in just a minute." And never addressing it.

The next step in the process is one by which the individual cuts off all ties with the outside world. Individuals are told to hate their mothers, fathers, relatives, friends, etc.. Says Thornberg, "They convince the individual that anyone not associated with the community is a threat and should not be associated with at all."

The final stage is a rebaptism process whereby the victim is forced to be baptized into the community. This occurs by reinforcing their faith through humiliation. "Members are told to cut off all ties with those who are not baptized."

This process of recruitment occurs in all destructive cults, from Waco, Texas to Providence and throughout the world.

Dean Thornberg offers three steps that will help students to prevent destructive cults from influencing their lives. The first step is to help students learn to ask questions about the destructive cult. The next step is to hang around with a group of people. Destructive cults will always wait for someone alone. The final step is

to dig into their faith's heritage. To have a solid background in your faith goes a long way in preventing cults from brainwashing.

A major aspect of destructive cults is money. This destructive cult requires a great deal of money from its members. *The Cowl* obtained a piece of literature from this destructive cult entitled "The Practicals of Financial Responsibility, A Disciple's Guide to Personal Money Management." The first line of the document reads "Every disciple of Jesus Christ has the responsibility to take care of personal obligations with integrity. This is especially true in the area of finance. God expects us to exercise good stewardship over our resources, using them in ways to bring honor and glory to his church"

Here at Providence College, this destructive cult has been on campus approaching students for years. The cult has been officially banned from the school. They are unable to practice, preach, or assemble on campus. Is this a restriction on a student's freedom of religion? According to Fr. Barranger, College Chaplain, "We respect all religions that students believe in and we uphold any student's right to worship as they see fit. However, we do not permit any groups who use coercion to operate on campus, religious or otherwise."

Fr. Barranger has a lot to say about cults on campus. "These groups of people are manipulators. They kill with kindness. Destructive cults use coercion to brainwash people, then take away their freedom, and don't allow them to leave the community," he states.

Fr. Barranger continues, "Many times I deal with roommates, friends, and parents who recognize a problem in someone and need help. These students are vulnerable and lack confidence, so it is up to us to reinsure the student that their decision to leave the destructive cult is the correct choice. These students must find healthy alternatives to destructive cults."

Off-Campus Security

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unit, or the department could just assign a group to to cover a particular weekend. PC orders a minimal detail and the department decides how to supplement it depending on different factors.

This past weekend about a dozen different patrol cars were seen in the area between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m. While no one was arrested over the weekend, three students were approached by a police patrol car for wrestling with a tree.

"We were not doing anything, just playing around, and the next thing we knew a cop was badgering us for ID's" commented an unidentified sophomore who was visibly upset with the incident. He went on to ask, "Why is the ad-

ministration paying money for cops to bother us, when there are worse areas in this community that need coverage? Students need to be protected from gangs, not trees!"

Over the past four weeks, 36 students have been arrested in this area for violations ranging from loitering to under-age drinking. While at least three PC students have been attacked by off-campus individuals in the surrounding neighborhood. The administration is doing what it feels is best for the entire PC community.

"I do not want students coming in here and telling me they were attacked or ripped off. The first police officers to the scene of the attacks two weekends ago were the cops hired by PC. If students feel they are getting a raw deal, or that the police officers are unfairly attacking them, they need to come see me. We are here for the students, and we want to help them," concluded Fr. McPhail.

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state what they hope to accomplish through the exchange. A letter of approval from the Chairperson of the department in which the interested student is a major, as well as an up-to-date transcript from Providence would also be required. The final acceptance decisions are made by Dean Commissioning and Dr. Maxine Moore of Johnson C. Smith University.

This exchange is just one of the many programs organized by the Balfour Center here at Providence. The center also houses scholarship programs such as the Martin Luther King scholarship and the Cunningham Southeast Asian scholarship. Not to mention the Community Outreach Program which is also organized by the Balfour Center. As are many cultural organizations such as the African-American Society, Spanish Club (Amigos Unidos), and SOAR (Students Organized Against Racism).

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The O.J. Verdict: Reasonably Doubtful

by Vera Schomer '96
Editorials Editor

The trial of the century is finally over. The legal "dream team," bought with a whopping \$8 million, has officially disbanded. Yet the "not guilty" verdict is plaguing the minds of people everywhere. Why? Because the mountain of evidence stacked against O.J. was almost overwhelming. So now we ask, was justice served?

Many are claiming that our legal system failed, when in fact, it did its job. Just think. The jury was informed that in order to come up with a guilty verdict, it must be 100% sure, with no reasonable doubt. Detective Mark Fuhrman's involvement in the Simpson investigation, combined with an improper arrest and mismanaged evidence, was enough to create reasonable doubt in any reasonable individual, man or woman, regardless of race.

Race, of course, has been the hottest issue since the verdict because of the makeup of the jury (10 women, 8 black, 2 white; 2 men, black and Hispanic). After witnessing a black jury member give O.J. what many thought was a black power salute, the possibility of a biased jury member was

evident. Some have guessed that the jury was pressured to hand down a not guilty verdict to avoid being ostracized by their respective communities, while others have gone so far as to say he was acquitted because of fears of another riot in L.A. These theories cannot explain a unanimous and hasty decision. Race was certainly a dirty card to play by the defense, but it was simply not the deciding factor.

I attribute the quick deliberation to the presence of doubt in the jury. What we don't realize as TV viewers of the trial and the media blitz that accompanied it is that the jury was not exposed to as much evidence as we were. We were made aware of seemingly incriminating evidence that was not allowed in court. At the same time, the jury heard the bare minimum of information proving Mark Fuhrman's racial hatred (only two of the fourteen Fuhrman tapes were admitted). Yet knowing that evidence had been tampered with was enough to damage its reliability, for no one knew what was real and what was conveniently altered. I wonder how many criminal cases in L.A. never even make it to court because of "carefully" collected evidence from the L.A.P.D. Surely, the defense met the standard of "reasonable

doubt" to acquit.

On the other hand, it is disturbing to think that O.J. was able to buy immunity from the law in the form of the best defense money could buy. This has left many people wondering whether there is anything money cannot buy. I can't help but wonder how many people, unable to afford more than a public defender, go to jail every day.

In this case, perhaps the only good coming from the verdict lies with the residents of L.A. County. Statistically, L.A. County

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is made up of more people of color than whites. Historically, these people have been stereotyped as criminals, drug addicts, welfare abusers, and any other socially degrading labels that you can think of, especially by the law enforcement sector. I am speculating when I assert that many non-whites in L.A. County have directly or indirectly dealt with racism and bias from the police in the past. For example, the Rodney King case was built up to be the case that would finally catch the lying, dirty L.A. cops in the act. After all, it was on video. Many residents of L.A. identified with King's predicament. They saw it as an opportunity to have a case heard that was much like their own. But the seemingly air-tight case was not enough to vindicate them. The moment the King verdict was read, thousands of people lost.

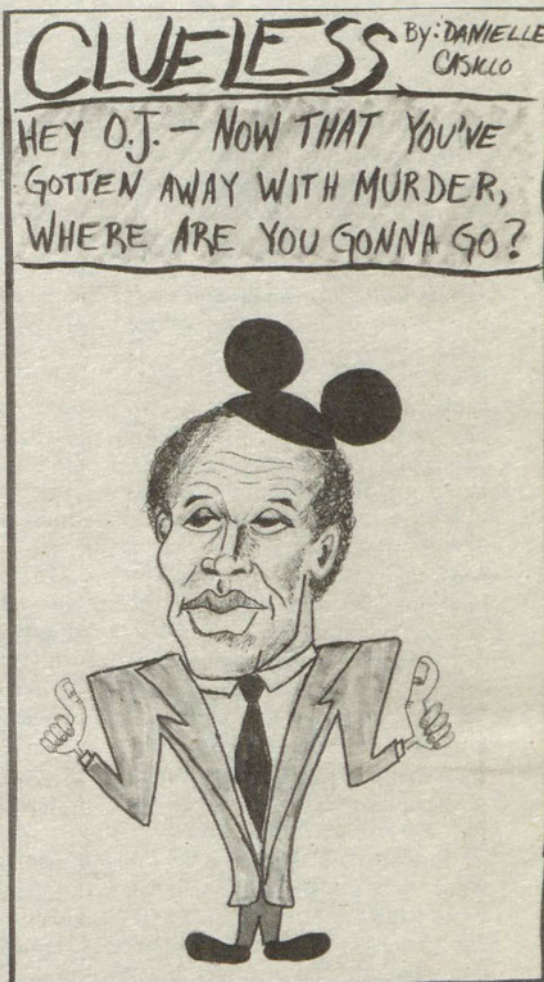
While most people did not identify with O.J.'s money and celebrity status, they did identify with the extra burden that an

L.A.P.D. officer placed on him. In a sense, this was their appeal and a chance to win against a system that is notorious for denying their legal rights.

Now the community wins if the verdict teaches the L.A.P.D. and police departments across the country that racism on the job will not be tolerated. Justice will be served when good cops refuse to work with, support, and cover up people like Fuhrman. It is unfortunate that two people had to die and the killer(s) got to live in order to get to this end. But I have faith that it will be for some good. The resulting justice will affect millions who have been deprived for decades, while the unfortunate cost is burdened by two families.



DINNER AT JOHNNIE COCHRAN'S.



PC Needs Public Relations

by Christopher Roche '96
Asst. Editorials Editor

This past week I had the privilege to speak with editors of the *Providence Journal-Bulletin*. They have open meetings with the community so they can hear the positive and negative feedback of their readership. This particular meeting took place in '64 Hall last Thursday. As I sat through the mundane comments of some of Providence's more senior of citizens, such as the recipes were not clear in the "Food" section, the schedules for high school sporting events are not always accurate and the new ink (no I am not making this up) the paper uses is really great because it does not smudge my hands, I thought this would be a great place to corner one of the editors and ask why the Pro-Jo is compelled to trash PC.

I decided it would be best to wait until after the meeting was over, so I could get the editor of my choice one-on-one. I found myself talking to Mr. Joel P. Rawson, Deputy Executive News Editor.

I told Mr. Rawson that I was "a little concerned with the way the students of Providence College are portrayed in your newspaper." Mr. Rawson did not have to hear an-

other word. He knew exactly what I was getting at. He knew of our reputation as the city drunks. I explained to him that this is unfortunate because many residents of the city think PC students are on a mission to destroy the Elmhurst/Smith Hill section of Providence. Without us, they reason, the neighborhood would be a virtual Eden. Mr. Rawson listened to my ring-

throat in the form of a finger sandwich and soft drink.

The point of this whole rambling about Mr. Rawson, the Pro-Jo and my futile attempt at saving face is that PC needs better public relations. PC needs people to see what we are all about. We are not a hedonistic colony of women and men who plant themselves for four (or sometimes five) years of all out

There is more to PC than drinking and basketball

ing endorsement of all the good things PC students do, the volunteering, the food drives, the clothing drives, the PC Pals, the Big Brothers/Sisters, etc. I told him that it is only one percent or less of the student body that causes trouble. I told him that he should walk around this campus some time and see what really goes on. He looked at me and said, "I have to go and get a sandwich." Thus, our conversation was ended, and my meager attempt at saving the image of PC was washed down his

pleasure. The students of this college, by and large, are hard workers who do much more good for the community than bad. I think too many people in this city, including the media and the police, are ignorant of this fact. This is why the PC community must spread the word about the virtues of the college.

For starters, the College should do a better job of publicizing its positive events. PC students are involved in many newsworthy stories, besides drinking and basket-

ball, and they could easily make the paper in some form. This would enlighten the public as to who or what we really are, and it would shed light on the particular project at hand. It could also spark greater interest in the cause. This type of thing may sound completely self-serving, but I beg to differ. There is no harm in publicizing PC's good people. This type of publicity is not very hard to come by. The newspapers are always looking for scoops, and the projects around the city, state and world that PC students are involved in are newsworthy. However, the news people need to know about those stories in order to have a chance at reporting on them. If a group of students is cleaning up Eaton Street, or they are participating in Earth Day, there is no reason why PC's administration cannot call the Pro-Jo and implore them to report about it. If the Press can cover Midnight Madness with such gusto, then there is no reason why they cannot cover something more meaningful like community service and volunteering.

Another area of concern is PC students' relationship with the Providence Police. Many students see Police as the Gestapo, and many police see students as

spoiled little college kids who need to be babysat. Those errors in perception occur because students and police often meet under extenuating circumstances such as a wild party or a circus-street. Programs need to be established in order to remedy this situation. Police should be invited into the Residence Halls and apartments for discussion with the students. I personally ran a program of this nature last year in Meagher where twenty-five students were able to meet with the neighborhood police officer in a civilized atmosphere. Needless to say, the results were astounding. The barriers of police intimidation and misbehaving students were eliminated in favor of lucid, friendly discussion. This program was very informative and it may have helped improve relations between the police and students. More programs, on a larger scale, should take place. Even if the College has to pay the police for those programs, it would be well worth it.

If Providence College really wants to establish a community with its neighbors and police, then it needs to take the first step in improving relations. A community may not be built overnight, but it is a goal worth striving for.

Little Things That Make A Big Difference

by Kristen Martineau '98
Editorial Writer

"Get up and go." "Hurry up and wait." We are all familiar with these common phrases that characterize the life of American Higher education. Classes, work, activities and studying occupy most of our time. Weekends are dedicated to socializing with friends and catching up on studies. Weeks fly by and before you know it, it's time to flip the calendar because yet another month has whipped by. Most of us become so engrossed in our everyday activities that we forget to stop and think about what is really important in life, such as talking a walk in the park or going on a family picnic.

The college years are too short to passively escape. Every college campus is a melting pot. People from different socio-economic backgrounds, heritages, and abilities contribute to the community. Each person has the opportunity to make a difference. Getting involved in community service is an excellent way to help those in need, and walk away feeling you have impacted someone else's life in a positive manner.

Many of us heard that high school is the best four years of our life. Then we got to college and all of a sudden it became the best four years. It really doesn't matter because every year can be the best if we make it that way.

Students are always on the go, places to be and deadlines to meet. One of the major flaws in American society is the fact that we become so wrapped up in mundane chores, we forget to appreciate life

and all it has to offer. Students have the choice not to fall into that trap. Every stage of our life is filled with exciting events, challenges, and rewards. It is always reassuring to see hard work in concrete examples. For example, an A on a difficult exam, volunteering, and helping someone in need.

It is so easy to let the days pass without calling home just to say "hi." When we are short on cash or need material things though, all of a sudden making the call becomes first priority. It is very simple to forget to send a note to grandma who sends you \$10 because she loves you. Our lives seem so out of control at times, the little or not so little things are overlooked. Our friends from high school, the people who once meant so much to us are sometimes neglected.

We've all seen the posters of "Life's Little Instructions." Some of them seem corny, some even funny. But if you read them carefully, and take a moment to think, it really makes sense. If everyone remembered just one of the instructions, and practiced it, what a better world we would live in.

These are our college years and they only happen once. We, as America's future, have the option to make a difference in our lives and in the lives of those around us. We can learn so much beyond the classroom. Just by observing the beauty of nature or listening to a professor, we enrich our own lives.

Yes, it's easy to neglect calling home, or at least put it off until tomorrow. Yes, it's easy to get caught up in our own busy schedules, but it is also important not to forget the "little" things that really do count.

The Health of America's Children: Not a Priority?

by Mike Sullivan '97
Editorial Writer

The health of children in the United States is getting worse instead of better. That's the word according to the American Health Foundation's annual Report Card on Children's Health which gave the United States a D grade, down from an already low C- last year. The report cited that alcohol use, drug use and tobacco use among children and teens is on the rise. It found that an increasing num-

ber of Americans under the age of 18 are becoming afflicted with the preventable diseases, such as rubella and measles. It also says that infant mortality is still much too high with 6.9 white babies out of 1,000 and 16.9 black babies out of 1,000 dying before their first birthday, which shamefully puts us behind a dozen other industrialized countries.

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The United States should guarantee health insurance for all children.

It is a crime that here in the United States, the richest coun-

try in the world with the best health care in the world, we should be given a D grade for our children's health. It is even more of a crime that a dozen other nations with just as many, if not fewer, resources are doing a better job at reducing the rate of infant mortality. This is not a case where the problem is too big and we do not have the means to deal with it. This is a case where the problem is being ignored and people do not want to make the effort to deal with it.

The reason that people do not want to deal with this situation is be-

cause dealing with it would cost money.

The United States is one of the few industrialized nations in the world that does not guarantee medical care for its children. Reasons range from "it is not our responsibility" to "it is too costly," which of course is wrong. First of all, it is our responsibility to see that children who obviously cannot provide for themselves are taken care of. A child cannot help

Through the Eyes of a Baby

by Amy Rodrigues '97
Editorial Writer

The anticipation of expecting a new baby in my family is both exciting and joyful. As I anxiously check my voice mail messages everyday, I wonder if today will be the day I become "Auntie Amy", and my niece will bless us with her arrival.

Along with all the insignificant things that I wonder about my newborn niece, for example, what color eyes she'll have, or whether or not she will have her aunt's curly hair, I also have to wonder what kind of world she will face when she grows up. Being brand spanking new she will not have any worries facing her, she will fear nothing, and she will greet a plethora of new items, shapes, and colors that we encounter, yet overlook, each day. She will live with the pure enjoyment of being loved by many loving, smiling, goo-goo eyed faces who will marvel at the sight of her shining face. But, as always, she will encounter new issues and problems as her life goes on. If the present is any indication, her generation will face problems that we, ourselves, created for them.

We enter the twenty-first century with a great fear of the unknown. Some have predicted that the world will come to an end in the year 2000. We have become a universe that through the development of our own technological ideas has created weapons that could potentially destroy us. It is no longer safe to take a wrong turn down a city street, and it is no longer safe in most of our schools. There are people in this world who have made careers out of threatening to blow up buildings and other people, people who kill others because they don't like the color of their skin; and there are

people in this world who would open fire on innocent victims because they live in a certain area or believe in a certain religion. This world, our world, my niece's world, is one filled with brutal, senseless violence. It is a world filled with crime, nuclear warfare, disease, famine, racism, drugs, religious and ethnic persecution, a diminishing environment, abortions, domestic abuse, and the list goes on and on. All of these issues paint a very grim picture for the state of our world today. But before I lose all hope of the chance of our world being a place where

eyes to a world of colors, sounds, smells, tastes, and shapes, and she will experience these things like someone just given a second (or first) chance at life. A bed of colorful flowers, a flying bluebird, a shooting star, a musical merry-go-round, sand castles, buzzing bumblebees, the roaring sounds of the ocean, a blaring, red fire engine, and all the different sizes and colors of people that we, as adults, tend to reject if they do not look the same as us. A baby discovers these simple things and views them as astonishing, like there isn't anything in this world that could be better.

We have a tendency to lose sight of all the simple, beautiful things, whatever they may be to each one of us, as we scurry around day to day scoffing down our dinners, not taking time to call our parents, and not taking time to sit and relax. I envy my niece for the fact that she will see all these things for the pure and simple enjoyment of seeing them for the first time. She will be struck with wonder by all the miraculous things in this world she has to discover, and through this she will teach my family and me to see all the good that still exists in our everyday world. She will show us that this world we live in isn't as bad a place as we thought it was.

Having a baby come into our family has been such a heartwarming and thrilling experience, and the anticipation right now is killing me. I wish despite all the cruel and corrupt things that we have infected our world with today, that we could all experience the joy and happiness of seeing a human be given the miraculous gift of life. Every now and then, when the world is unbearable to live with, we should all step back and look at it through the pure and innocent eyes of a baby.

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Electorate Must Take Responsibility

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Caution- Cape Does Not Enable Wearer to Fly -Instructions on a "Batman" costume

Listening to the diehard supporters of our various presidential candidates is a lot like reading a Marvel comic book: Here comes a hero who will save our crumbling Metropolis from evil and injustice! Are some of us beginning to sound like radio shows from the 1930s, or what?

"Who is that masked man...?"

Colin Powell! If nominated, he will probably run. If elected he will probably serve. If he serves, think of the moral leadership he could provide. And isn't it time we stop playing politics as usual and vote for a political outsider? Powell '96!

"Who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men..."

Pat Buchanan knows! As God's official candidate, not only can he provide moral leadership, but he has the actual list of all the people who are condemned to burn in the eternal fires of Gehenna. This will aid in job creation: You're damned, you're fired; you're saved, you're hired. And let us not forget that it is high time we stop playing poli-

tics as usual and vote for a political outsider.

"Same Bat-time, same Bat-channel..."

Bill Clinton, the incumbent: he still feels your pain, he really really does.

"It's a bird, it's a plane it's..."

Bill Bradley, who not only feels your pain, but knows your anger towards politics as usual. Since he quit the Senate, he is not part of the system anymore, so he will be able to provide this country with the same moral leadership he once provided for the NBA.

All right America, it is time to grow up. Heroes who swoop in and save the day are for comic books and Saturday morning TV, not for democratic republics. What democratic republics need are citizens who take responsibility for their fellow citizens, themselves, and their government. Until this particular democratic republic gets that kind of citizenry, real change will come to the U.S. at approximately the same time Roger Clinton wins his first Grammy Award.

More than "moral leadership," America needs collective moral fortitude. Too many of us see our nation's salvation in the form of a President who would do things like ban sex and violence from film and music. Not only is there no way

any president could accomplish this, the constitution being what it is these days, but such an act would do nothing but leave many tacky entertainers out of work.

Real moral betterment will arrive in America only when we have no more children living in rat-infested slums and no more senior citizens living in cardboard boxes. We need to, after all this time, finally give up the obscene and unChristian belief that we are not

to the state of our environment will do nothing but snowball. As individuals, we must start considering the consequences of our actions. Can a president stop a couple from conceiving a fifth child when they cannot afford the first four? Can a president keep people from wasting every resource under, up to and including the sun? He can try to make these things difficult. He can try to make them impossible. He can rally against them, but there

Well, as Edward R. Murrow put it once, "there is no way for a citizen of a republic to abdicate his responsibilities." Even if you don't know who Edward R. Murrow is, you can get the meaning of the message: if our political leaders, including our president, are losers, it's our own fault. We put them there, or never bothered to keep them out. Either way, we are the masters of our political fate. At the moment our fate seems to be a mixed-up situation. The solution is not to put non-politicians up on pedestals, but to pay more attention to all of the people we elect to office before we elect them. It is involvement, not hero-worship, which can rebuild what apathy has all but leveled.

Presidents can get programs off the ground. They can offer incentives, they can provide a good example, but they cannot fix all that is wrong with a nation as enormous and complex as America. We have to stop looking to idols and demagogues for answers. We have to give up the wish for a caped crusader who can save the day. We have to start looking instead to the people who can really rescue this Metropolis - us. And once we start to do that, we may just find there are some real heroes out there after all.

More than moral leadership, America needs moral fortitude

morally obligated to help our fellow citizens. No president, no matter how decent, can force that change in the American heart.

Likewise, too many of us believe that all we really need is a president who will direct every tax dollar to worthy causes. Again, this is a constitutional impossibility. And again, it is a shortsighted notion. If we do not begin to realize that personal freedom and personal responsibility go hand in hand, problems ranging from the welfare state

are two hundred and fifty million of us, and one of him... Or her.

And we do not need a political outsider, we need an electorate that gets involved with government. Cynics may refuse to participate, busy people may be out of step, and Americans may have a hundred other reasons for being uninvolved. As a result, politics begin to stink, and we all begin to look for superhumans who fall outside the beltway and beyond party lines to save our system.

The Right to Read

by Ernest J. Mulbah '98
Contributing Writer

The time was September 1986, in Grave County, Kentucky. As the school board was winding up one of its regular board meetings, a board member suddenly interrupted, "Yessir, I want an explanation why this book is being taught at Frave County High School!" Supposedly, Mr. John Shelton was seeking the banning of one of the school's textbooks. The motion was carried, and William Faulkner's work, *As I Lay Dying*, was banned from the school's library. The author of this very empathetic, pitiable, and straight-forward book, wrote to project his deep feelings of a story that could not be told in any way but as he had observed, experienced, and imagined.

As he once wrote, "It is difficult to say just what part of any story comes specifically from imagination, what part from experience, what part from observation. It's like having...three tank with a collector value. And you don't know just how much comes from which tank. All you know is a stream of water runs from the valves when you open it from the three tanks—observation, experience, imagination..." -William Faulkner, 1957.

There are grave dangers to a free society in this kind of censorship because censorship takes the citizen's right of free choice to read for pleasure, insight, or interpretation. Censorship makes us akin to the oppressed and victimized peoples of the former Communist ruled Soviet Union and Hitler's Nazi Germany. It results in a generation of uninformed, uneducated, and biased people whose

existence is based on propaganda and lies.

The first danger of censorship is that it violates the First Amendment rights of the people: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; of abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances." We have been guaranteed this right for over 200 years.

The second danger of censorship is that it makes us no different from people who suffered under the hands of leaders who sifted all printed material reaching their citizens, and fed them propaganda and lies. In the former Soviet Union, history books were fairy tales that made Communism look good, and Capitalism an enemy; in Nazi Germany, propaganda on the supremacy of the Aryan race was on the reading menu. In both countries, dissidents who wrote the truth or gave the public some sort of information, were severely punished, if not executed. In Communist Russia, they were banished to the jails of Siberia. The Nazi rulers tortured, maimed, and executed their dissidents.

The third danger of censorship is that it will result in an uninformed, uneducated, and narrow-minded society. Censorship has tried to eliminate books that are there to inform us such as: *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, *American Heritage Dictionary*, *The Bible*, and *The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin*. as well as *Big Sky*, *As I Lay Dying*, *Brave New World*, and others, that give us insight and pleasure. These books are among books that are being challenged for banning.

"Books," as Jesse Lee Bennett once wrote, "Are the compasses

and telescopes and sextants and charts which other men have prepared to help us navigate the dangerous seas of human life." -*Books As Guides*, 1923.

I believe this quote rhetorically explains the validity of "Books" which should not be treated as disposable materials into oblivion. There are many reasons why books are written. And society, as we know, is a component of diverse knowledge that has resulted in the growth and development of our world. Besides, knowledge has been known to be one of the most potent instruments for global style and trends. This is to say, that the mind is an extent of how far we let it go, and a prison of how far we let it stay.

In my opinion, the banning of books is not only a direct violation of the people's constitutional rights, but also a set-up for a society of uninformed and uneducated people. We as human beings are "Homo Sapiens" or thinking beings; if we are limited in expanding our minds, we tend to become a cynical and biased brain-washed group of people.

Censorship of any kind, is dangerous. It is wrong. We must never allow the activists that purport it to win. We must fight to the end and we must win. We must cherish our freedom to read what we choose, and allow our minds to grow. Only then can we be a society of happy, educated people who have the broad understanding of the important concept of life. With this knowledge, we can contribute mightily to our society and make the world an increasingly better place for human kind to live in.

We must not allow those with narrow minds to judge those giants of intellect and creativity and make them redundant.

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Do not neglect abortion

To the Editor:

Christopher Roche's commentary "Pro Choice or Pro Life: What's the big deal?" (*The Cowl*, 9/21/95) is an ill-considered essay that should alarm all who read it.

Mr. Roche claims that the President has "no say" on the legality of the abortion issue, a statement that is highly inaccurate. While admitting that the President does have the power to appoint justices to the Supreme Court, Mr. Roche says appointing four pro-life justices will "never happen," and later says approval of the four "will definitely never happen." These declarations are simply not true. In a six year span between 1986 and 1991 four pro-life judges were appointed and approved. Bear in mind that it is possible for a president to serve eight years. By the second year of his term, President Clinton had appointed and gained the approval of two judges. It remains impossible to speculate, as Mr. Roche does, on how many appointments a given president will make because there is no way of telling when a justice's seat will become vacant. Another important omission made by Mr. Roche is the fact that the president appoints the Surgeon General. The Surgeon General is the chief medical officer in the U.S. Public Health Service and is extremely influential.

The abortion debate has divided our country since the early 1970's. By saying "what's the big deal?" Mr. Roche suggests presidential candidates ignore an issue that is a monumental concern to many Americans. What kind of candidate would turn his back on millions of constituents?

Mr. Roche brings up party unity by saying the issue of abortion "threatens party unity." Is this a bad thing? God forbid Senators and Congressmen are thinking for themselves. In British Parliament the majority party essentially dictates national policy with individual members rarely opposing their own party. Is this what Mr. Roche wants, Congressmen who blindly follow the herd?

The founding fathers set up our government with a separation of powers and system of checks and balances to guard against tyranny. The fact that one man, the President, doesn't have absolute say on an issue is a positive thing. Mr. Roche favors an all powerful executive who answers to no one.

Mr. Roche contends that it is a "crime" to base your vote on the abortion issue. I argue that the real crime is to neglect what has been the most controversial issue in America for over two decades.

Thank You,
Kieran M. Lawlor

The library responds

To the Editor

"What's up with the Library?" as *The Cowl* asked this week in large print, is a legitimate question. Unfortunately we are not off to a great start this semester as those students who have come in to get an early start on their research projects have discovered. Ironically most of our current problems are the result of recent efforts to improve library service.

We have begun the process of connecting the network of CD-ROM indexes to the campus network, making it possible to search from outside the library building. However this will require replacing existing workstations with newer, more powerful computers. In the meantime we find ourselves in a transitional stage where we cannot use our network printer until the new equipment is installed. We are encouraging students to bring a formatted disc with them to the library and download their search results for printing elsewhere. We are also just about to make available a new general index to magazines and journals which is much more comprehensive than the popular Academic

Abstracts. This new index, which will provide the full text of articles from over 500 journals, will be searchable on the on-line catalog (HELIN) terminals.

Speaking of HELIN, for the first time since it was installed we experienced a significant period of downtime (four days for those who were counting). This resulted from a problem with the telecommunications link between PC and the HELIN computer at URI. For some reason, it took NYNEX a long time to find the cause. We hope and believe that this will not happen again soon, but we cannot guarantee it.

Finally, the lights. As most students know, lighting in the library is a continuing problem. Lights seem to burn out at a faster rate than physical plant can replace them. We are well aware of the difficulties this causes (after all, we spend even more time in the building than you do). We have communicated your concerns to the physical plant office and have asked that they make a special effort to get the lights back on.

Edgar Bailey, Library Director

Jesus was single

To the Editor:

I just read Mike Sullivan's article, "The Catholic Church must change" [9/28]. I find the word "must" very strong when we talk about faith. Maybe the Church needs some changes. The Church has changed through its 2,000 years. For instance, The Inquisition was revoked and successive Vatican Councils changed some aspects of The Church for better. But what it hasn't changed is the Gospel.

Sullivan's article makes celibacy the biggest issue in The Catholic Church when it's not. Jesus was single. He dedicated his entire life, twenty-four hours a day, to us. He gave up everything for us. The first Disciples left everything to follow Him. They were few, but they lifted up the Catholic Church by themselves because they had faith. They made a strong

commitment and they sacrificed themselves to the other.

How is a married priest going to take care of his parish, school and mission if he's busy thinking about his family problems, wife, kids, etc.?

The thing keeping many men from becoming priests is that we don't want to make any commitments; we don't want to leave our materialistic world to follow Him 100%. And even we remaining laymen don't want to give part of our time or our luxuries to others because it's not convenient for us.

The Catholic Church doesn't need 20,000 men entering the seminary every year. What the Church needs are men with faith, priests and laymen. Then we may change the Church. We don't need quantity. We need quality.

Jose Luis Sanchez, Grad, student

Latino vs. Hispanic: The controversy within the community

To the Editor:

Long has been the argument of what to call ourselves: Latino or Hispanic. To some the answer is simple; yet to many others the answer is quite complicated and abstract. For the sake of flip-flopping with names, I will use the term Latino in this article.

The term Latino is not a cultural, but a political term. It is simply impossible to use a single term to describe a group including Cubans, Dominicans, Mexicans, Argentineans, and even Spaniards. Latinos cannot be defined as a racial group because of our individual, cultural diversities. Rather than thinking of Hondurans and Puerto Ricans, for example, as separate entities, think of them, along with the other Latinos as the fingers of a hand; each distinct, yet holding a common bond, the hand. In the case of Latinos, this hand is Spain, Africa, or indigenous America.

Hispanic was created by the Federal Office of Management and

Budget (OMB) in the 1970s. It was defined as "a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or Central American or Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race." After the 1980 census, the U.S. government used the term Hispanic to describe members of the citizenry with Spanish surnames and those of Latin American descent. In 1995, all federal offices have adopted the term Hispanic for this same purpose. Thus, without debate, the government of the United States provided a diverse minority of its citizens with an "identity."

The controversy of which name to use lies within the Latino community. Cubans in Florida prefer Hispanic. In California, the term is vehemently rejected; Latino and Chicano are the names of choice for them. Yet, in New York City, Latino and Hispanic are equally used. The decision of what name to use is an entirely personal one. Who is to say which is correct? It is necessary, however, to have one name. Political power

in a democratic society, such as the United States, is based on numbers. Agglomeration is necessary in order for us to have a strong voice in national politics. It is therefore crucial that we agree on a name; one that will invoke pride in ourselves and awareness in our rich heritage. The term Latino is an inclusive term which best describes our diverse national origins and calls for greater unity in a fragmented and divisive community.

From September 15 to October 15, the people of Latino origins in the United States celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. During this time, Amigos Unidos will be working on several projects to promote the rich cultural heritage of Latinos at Providence College. Please support our organization by attending Amigos Unidos-sponsored functions and supporting Hispanic Heritage Month.

Joaquin Fonte '98
President, Amigos Unidos
PC's Spanish Club

The Catholic Church is not in crisis

To the Editor:

After reading Mike Sullivan's editorial in your most recent *Cowl*, I was disappointed by the limited view put forth by the author. To say that the Catholic Church is in "virtual crisis" is simply not true. Tell the tens of thousands of people from all over the East Coast going to see Pope John Paul II this weekend and the millions of others watching on TV that we're in crisis. People who think the Church is in crisis just aren't looking in the right places.

The conversion, the change, in the Church is one of hearts not numbers. I went to World Youth Day in Denver in 1993. I went to Young New York in New York in 1994. I am going to see (and hear) the Pope this weekend. Believe me, the Church is not in crisis. What I saw those two encounters and what I anticipate seeing this weekend is simple, devoted faithful Catholics wonderfully enthused about their Church. This is what I choose to focus on.

A friend of mine recently entered a seminary in New York at the age of 34 after doing three years in preparation studies. He is the personification to me a "case

in point". This man took some time, saw what was out there and then entered the seminary. How many of the 20,000 men that Mr. Sullivan mentioned (from 1965) are still priests today? Today we have later vocations and yes maybe less numbers but I think that these are better grounded and stronger vocations.

Mr. Sullivan also argues many statistics and figures and careful arguments. He does what so many I know fall into the trap of doing: he applies humanistic reasoning to spiritual issues.

We can't say that, "Well in 1995 80% of Catholics favor birth-control up 25% from 1970. Therefore we must change our policies." This is not Mass Mutual. Many things enter in. The Spirit of God is one. Catholics are called to be idealistic in a cynical world.

In an impatient society which relies heavily on the quick fix, some problems can't be fixed with the snap of a finger. This goes for the Catholic Church as well.

Would a married clergy make for no further sex scandals? It is doubtful. Pedophiles and sex offenders come from all walks of life: married or single, educated or

uneducated, rich, poor or middle class. If you take a group of doctors, a small percentage of them will be alcoholics, others wife-beaters and still other pedophiles. It's the same with lawyers and teachers and CEO's and unfortunately priests. Sorry, folks we have yet to find a way to solve the human condition. But then again that's the beauty of the Church: imperfect humans putting up with one another and supporting one another to become the best we can, priests included.

What can we do to get more "better" priests? Well, prayer always helps. Stronger formation programs that most orders already have and many Dioceses are presently instituting are also a good idea. Also vocation campaigns in which priests and seminarians visit parishes and speak to young people to show them that priests can be "normal" too - this definitely helps. Unfortunately no quick fixes here But I'll go along with these answers, anyway. I've seen their results and successes. You see, I choose to view the glass as half full.

Joe Polchinsky '96

The Church is not a democracy

To the editors:

In reading Mr. Sullivan's article "The Catholic Church Must Change" in last week's *Cowl*, I could not help but feel that he displayed a serious misconception about the nature of the Church. The Church is not a democracy. Rather, it is authoritatively led by the Magisterium of the Church, which is the Pope and the bishops in communion with him. The hierarchical structure is not an accident of history: it is the express design of Jesus, who founded his Church on the rock of Peter and the other Apostles. Thus, although Mr. Sullivan suggests otherwise, to dissent from the teachings of the Church, if one believes the Church to be truly the mystical Body of Christ, is not just to rebel against the Magisterium, but also ultimately against God, and so is not a legitimate option for any Catholic.

Mr. Sullivan particularly criticizes the celibate priesthood as something that needs to be "reformed," writing that "it is really the celibacy requirement that keeps many young Catholic men from becoming priests." Curi-

ously, it didn't stop the vast multitude of men who have served the Church in the celibate priesthood during its 2,000 year history. The priest shortage is only a recent phenomenon, and is a result of an increasingly secular and permissive society which, especially since the 1960's, has been displacing the worship of God with the worship of impure sensuality.

The Church's teachings on chastity and extra-marital sexual activity are "keeping" many people from being faithful Catholics today, but the Church is not going to change just to make those people comfortable. To do so would be to compromise the truth.

Similarly, the Church cannot betray itself in order to "sell" the priesthood.

While Mr. Sullivan considered bishops who openly defy the Holy Father as courageous, I see their dissension as a dangerous scandal to the faithful. It encourages the now widespread misunderstanding that if people make a lot of noise, they can change the teaching of the Church. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, tomorrow, and His witness, the Church, cannot compromise its teaching without betraying both itself and God.

Nicholas Lombardo '97

Greetings from Dale Cards: Racist overtones found in bookstore

To the Editor:

Last week while browsing through the PC bookstore's greeting cards looking for a card for a friend, we discovered a card with negative racial overtones. The contents read: "Happy Birthday to a White Male"..."Six minorities got together and decided you are still allowed to celebrate your birthday."

We are shocked that the bookstore would buy stock in items of this nature. The card is displayed in a humorous section, yet it was not funny. We would like to see that the bookstore be more considerate to avoid offending others in the future.

Sincerely,
BMSA, NAACP, Amigos Unidos, SOAR, African-American Society

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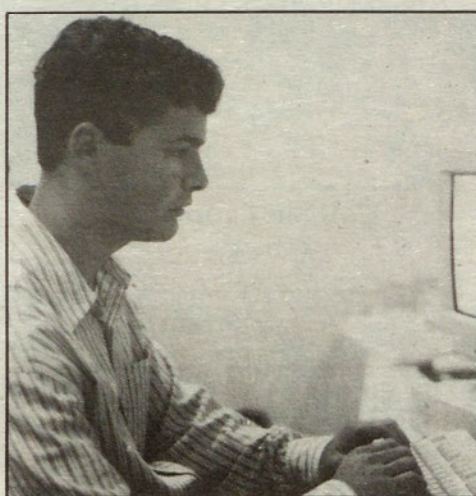
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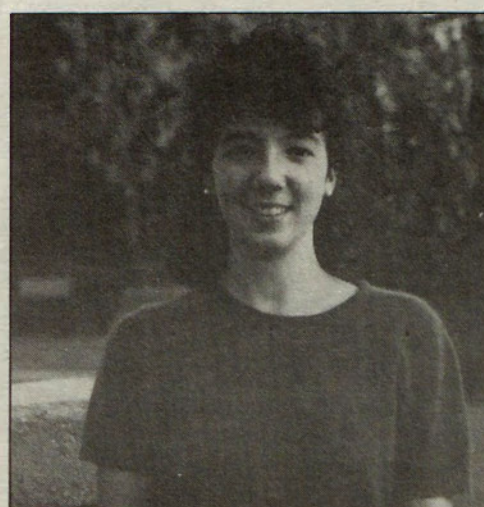
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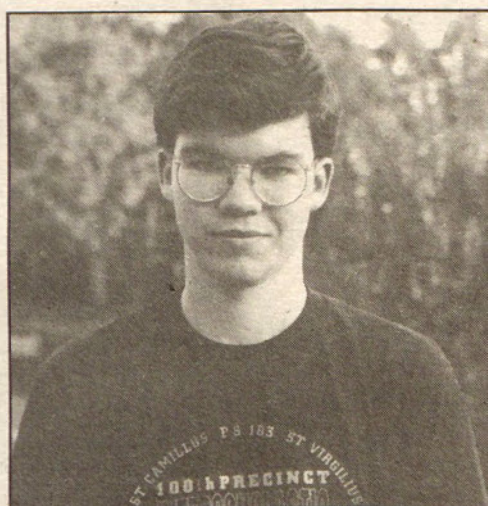
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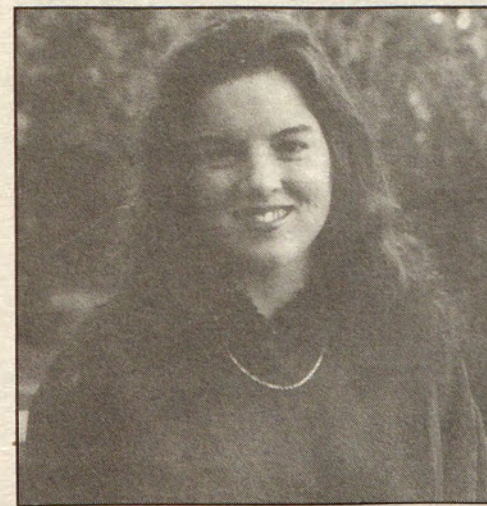
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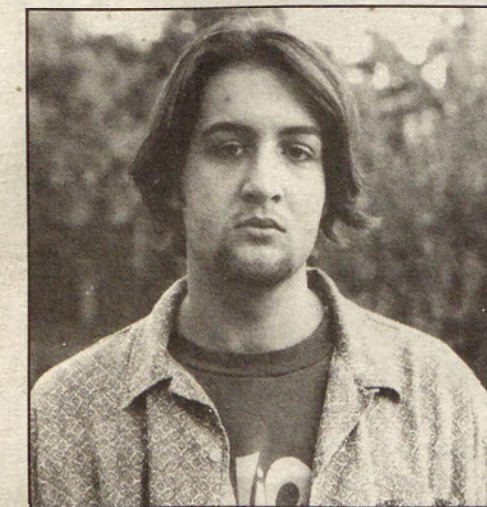
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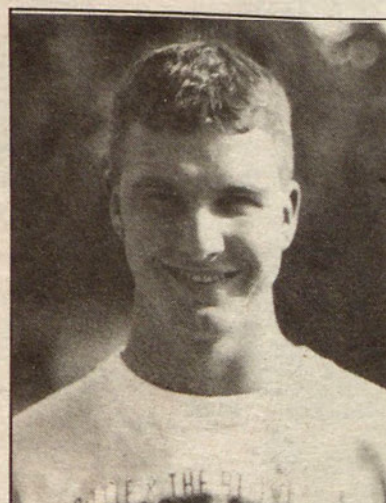
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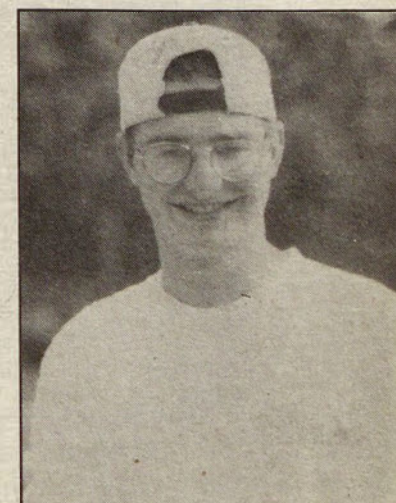
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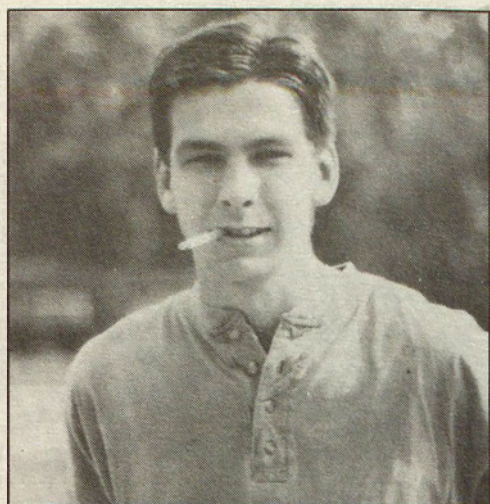
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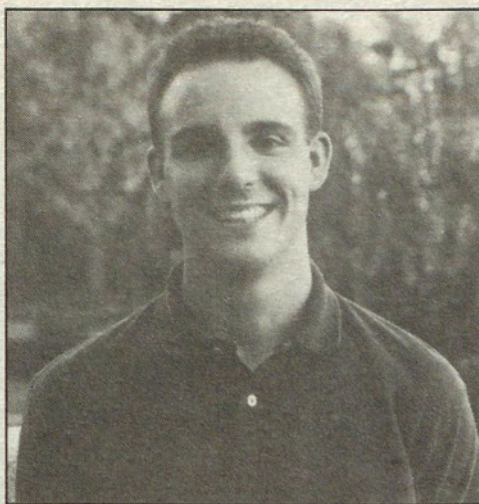
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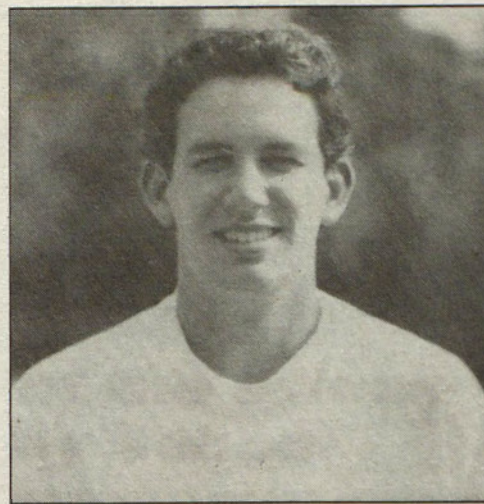
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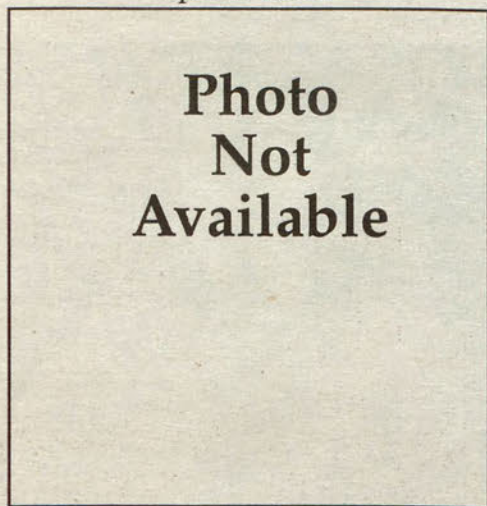
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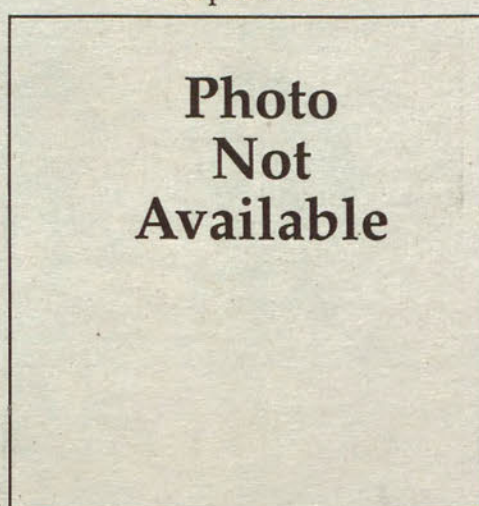
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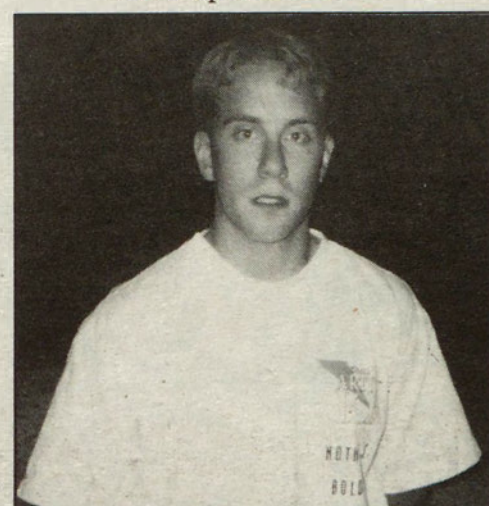
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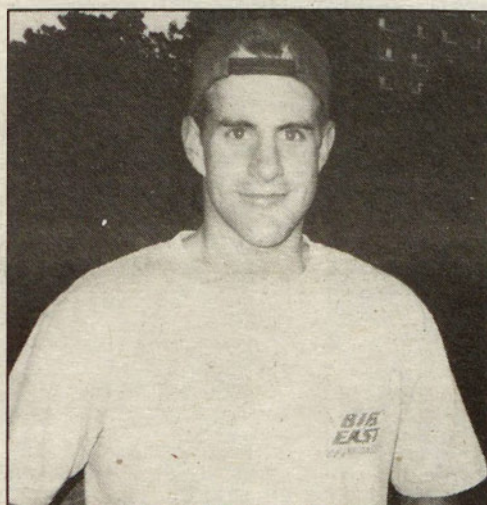
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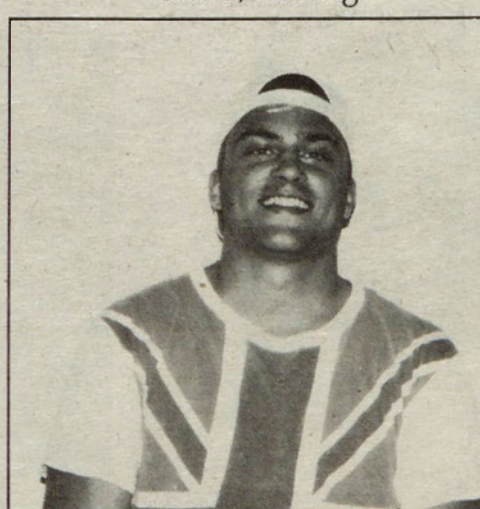
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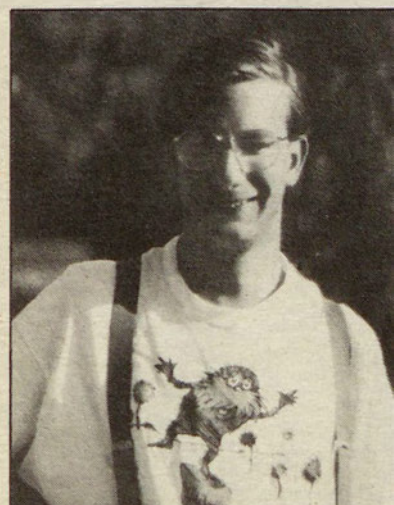
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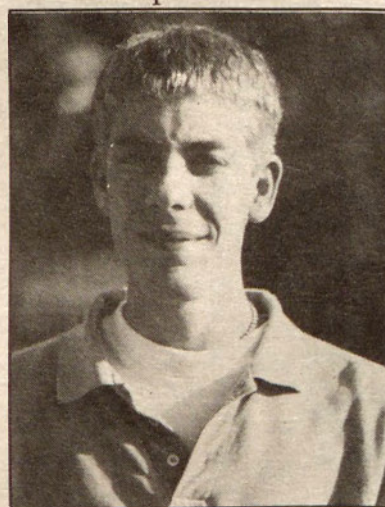
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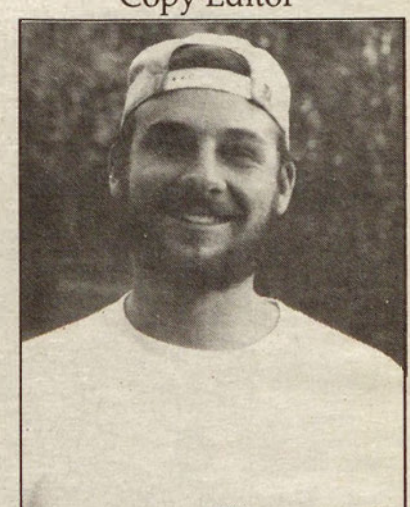
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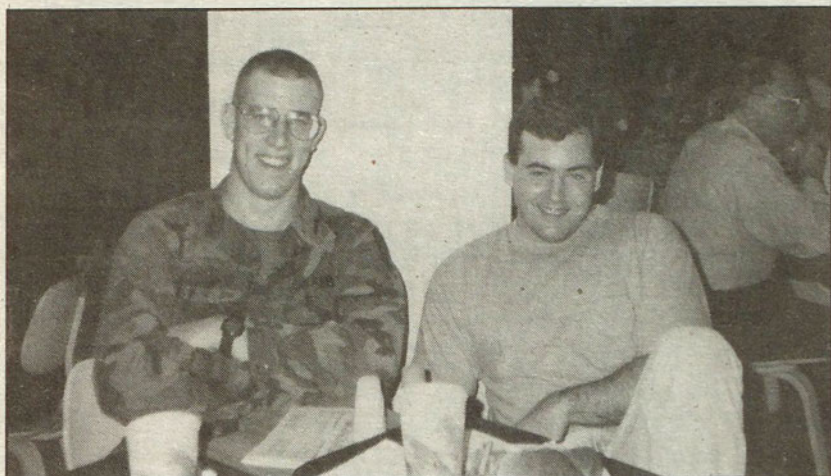


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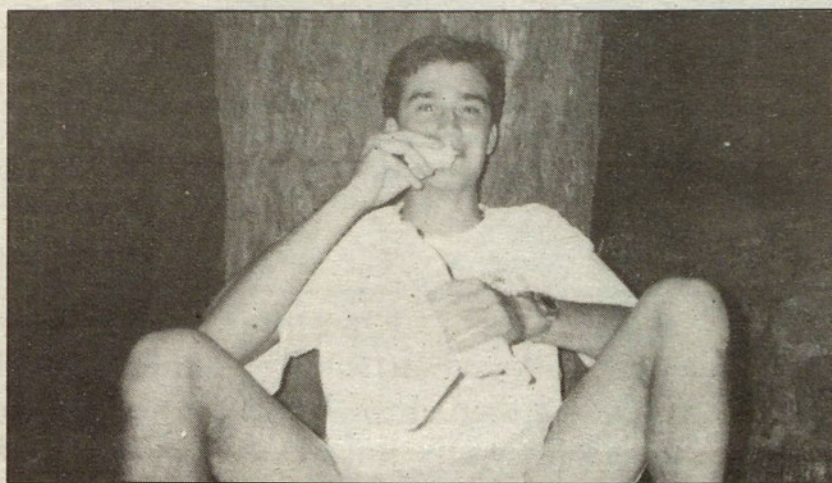
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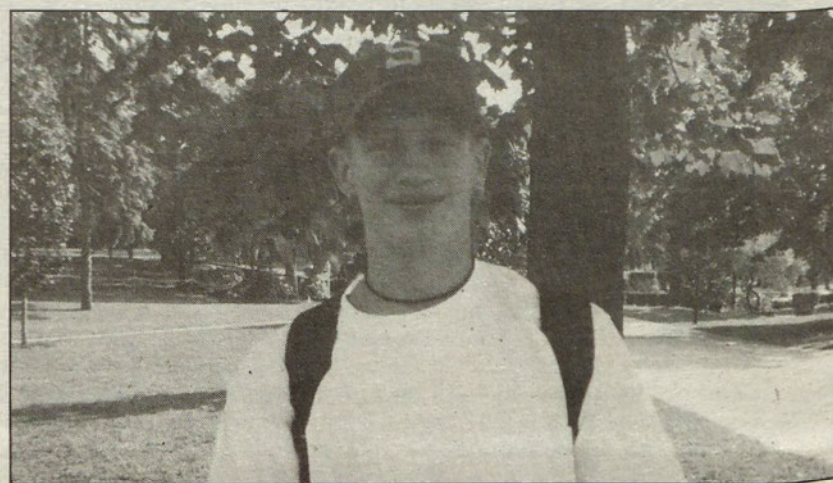
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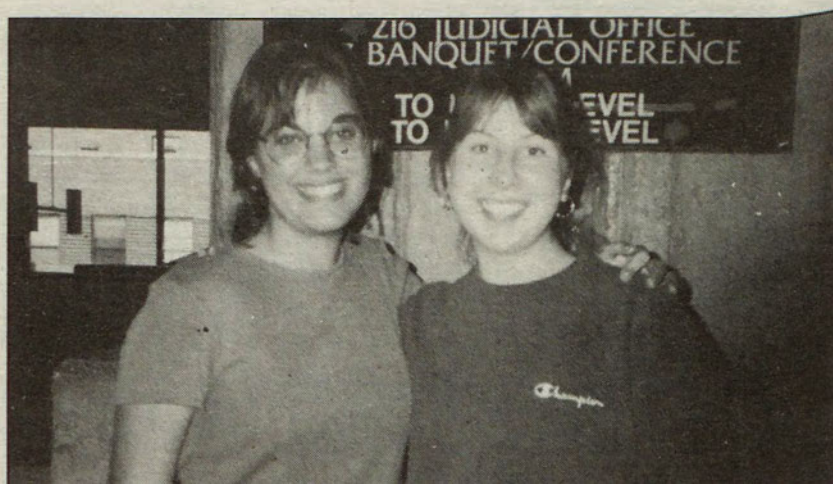
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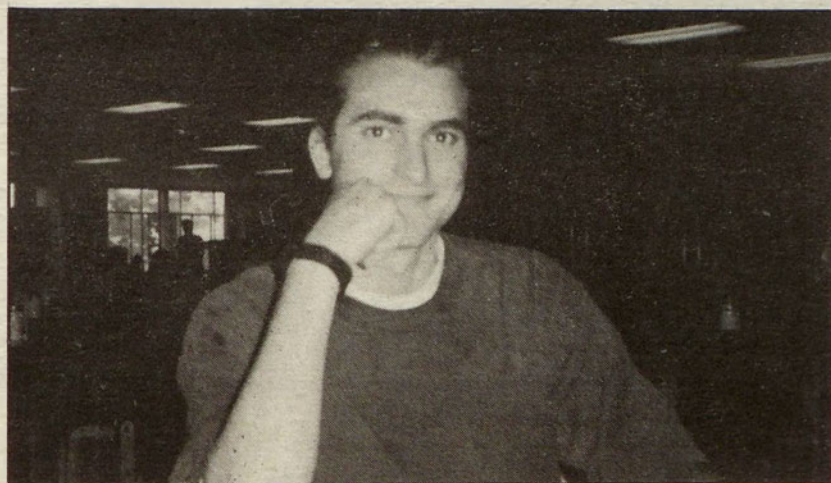
Tim Harris '98:
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Back (L-R) Kim Atwood '97, Sarah Syner '97, Jen Vincola, Front (L-R) Christine Diano '97, Lynette Brantuk '97:
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MaryBeth McKeever '99, Shannon Crowe '99:
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Tim Barone '97:
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K & K: The Dancing Ito's are the only things to come from the trial worse than the verdict.



Zaneta Shannon '99, Erin Moore '99:
(Z)"There was definately evidence that was not made available to the public in order for the jury to come to a decision so quickly. I thought he was innocent the whole time. (E) I agree, but I think he was guilty."

Watching the Seasons Change with Buffalo Tom

by Michael Sablone '98
A&E Writer

September 21, 1995: the first official day of fall. September 28, 1995: Buffalo Tom brings their woes of the change of seasons to the Strand, and they brought along the inbreds and Jennifer Trynin.

The inbreds started the evening with a twist. They consisted of only two members, a bassist and a drummer. This provided for a highly original "poppy"-type sound which when blended with both of them providing vocals, was highly entertaining.

After the inbreds quirky pop set, Jennifer Trynin took the stage. Her set focused more on rock than pop. It might have been the mood that the inbreds put me in, but I was very turned off by her music. Her set really didn't impress me. It was nothing special, so I focused my attention on my anticipation for Buffalo Tom's set.

When the curtain finally parted, the audience was greeted with a stage full of sports trophies and a white sheet backdrop, upon which a picture of the cover of their latest album *Sleepy Eyed* was projected.

The motif of the first half of the show centered around the change of seasons. They started right up into "tree house", its ending lyrics of "seasons change" really hitting home. They kept go-

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ing by playing "Summer": their latest single. Lead guitarist and vocalist Bill Janovitz lamented about the change in his explanation of "Summer"; "This is a depressing song about the time we now find ourselves."

Janovitz's apparent depression about the seasons did not affect his guitar playing. He was sharp all the way through, exploding with energy on "Tangerine", the standout song of their 90 minute-plus set. Other standouts were "Souvenir", "I'm Allowed" and the set closer "Velvet Roof." Janovitz often modified his guitar solos, proving his versatility.

Tom Maginnis' drumming kept the set moving; he is a very talented and underrated drummer. Chris Colburn evened out the rhythm section on bass and also provided lead vocals on "Clobbered", "Late at Night" and "Kitchen Door". He also was supposed to play the harmonica on "Kitchen Door", but he seemed somehow preoccupied, only able to blow out two notes before going back to lead vocals.

One problem with the show was this lack of harmonicas. Not many rock bands can get away with incorporating a harmonica into their sound, but Buffalo Tom usually pulls it off flawlessly. In fact, the harmonica is my favorite aspect about their sound. But on this particular night they only utilized the harmonica on two tracks, counting Colburn's half-assed effort on "Kitchen Door".

Ignoring the lack of harmonicas, the only other problem with the show concerned the lighting. At some times the lighting drowned out the very interesting photographs that were being projected. Aside from that, it was a solid show.

Near the end of their set when they played "Sundress", Janovitz turned a bit more optimistic about Autumn. He said, "This song's about the beginning of summer, which we have to look forward to."

With only 39 weeks until summer, hopefully Buffalo Tom will be back before then. If they do return soon, I suggest you check them out.

Traditional Saxophonist in a New Age

by Patrick C. Heap '96
Asst. A&E Editor

AS220 was half filled with a variety of people. The sounds of jazz filling the air once occupied by silence gave each listener a sense of clarity. A feeling of unity seemed to take the crowd as the nodding of heads and tapping of feet reminded everyone that they all had one thing in common: if nothing else, a role in the partly spontaneous creation of Fred DeChristofaro's music.

"The audience helps create an atmosphere from which we can feed off of," Fred explained during a break from his jazz quartet's three hour set.

Fred DeChristofaro, a Rhode Island native tenor saxophone player, has been playing AS220 on Monday nights for a year now and from the sound of it, things are starting to pay off. DeChristofaro

DeChristofaro attended Berkeley in Boston, but after suffering from the ups and downs of the music business quit. He even stopped playing his sax, but DeChristofaro would not stray from the sense of divine creation that he got from performing. He went back to Berkeley and received his degree; at which point he obtained a position to teach there and did so from the year '87 to '93. DeChristofaro then returned to Rhode Island where he would stay in Providence and start composing music and giving private lessons to students in the Providence area.

What DeChristofaro wants to do now is record his music and travel with it. With a small studio in his home and constant gigs with his amazing band, The Fred DeChristofaro Jazz Quartet, his goals don't seem too far out of reach. DeChristofaro explained

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was born into a very music oriented family and started playing sax at the age of ten. With his mother constantly listening to jazz, swing, and bee-bop, DeChristofaro's musical influences were practically given to him subconsciously as he would sit in his room and listen to the sounds of Louie Armstrong, Frank Sinatra, and many of the other musical greats. He started his first band in 9th grade and from then on DeChristofaro desired a part in the creative role in music.

about his music, "One of the keys to life in today's society is to find one area of skill which you are good at and focus on it until there is clarity, and that is what I am doing with my music. I am constantly searching for that moment of clarity which the band sometimes achieves in the middle of a performance. I know that it may not happen all of the time, but when it does the music is my vehicle to enlightenment, were I can see and feel new things."

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Unconventional Collection at the Wheeler Gallery

by Megan Southard '97
A&E Writer

Looking at Joel Carreior's *Reconfigurations* is comparable to a bizarre experience of *deja vu*. His work is strikingly original, yet looking at these shattered images, you search your memory trying to recreate a familiar picture from these mysterious bits and pieces. Carreior uses a 500 color copier to enlarge and reproduce details of Renaissance paintings, and then rearranges the pieces to form a semi-abstract image. His work in this show consists of colored xeroxes which are heat transferred onto painted wood with a common household iron. What you see at a glance are unidentifiable forms of warm on cool colour - deep orange, gold and flesh against a grainy black, blue or green. At a closer look you catch bits of hands, faces, ears, or the detail of a jeweled bracelet. They are images we have seen a hundred times, easily recognizable characteristics of the Renaissance era, blown apart and reassembled into an alluring mosaic-like kaleidoscope of color and texture.

In describing the creation process the artist says, "The color copier reproduces the colors in the source imagery faithfully, but also inflects the new image with a 20th century feel. The copier allows me

universal access to imagery and the opportunity to reconfigure images from the past."

This collision of past and present is charmingly presented in "The Flying Dutchman" and "Portrait of Paul Klee in His Garden", two of the most impressive works in the collection. There is the fu-

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sion of an appealing contemporary style with a haunting internal reminder of an aesthetically contrasting era in his work.

Appearing simultaneously at the Wheeler is sculptor Susan Bane Holland's *Reconstructions*. Most of her works consist of fused glass sections in clean elliptical forms which were either frosted or engraved. With the exception of one piece, a mosaic

bowl in a spectrum of colors, the collection was mostly black and white with subtle engravings. One of the more memorable works was "Fused Lenses," two solidly formed pieces, that with its flattened spherical shapes and highly contrasting black and white finish, is reminiscent of a moon and a darkening eclipse.

The artist comments on her collection, "Light and motion are the motivations for the use of glass and transparent media in my work. Light, space and time are intriguing issues to all humans, perpetually at their mercy...the sudden violent burst of light, the almost imperceptible crawl of a beam of sunlight, bringing the arbitrary, imposed and collapsible nature of time to consciousness."

Despite the strength of some of Holland's pieces, the arrangement and lighting in the gallery was not complementary to the collection, which in a different atmosphere would appear quite luminous, almost celestial.

The collection of works by Joel Carreior and Susan Holland will be appearing at the Wheeler Gallery, 228 Angell Street in Providence through October 8th. Do yourself a favor: Take an hour out of your time, actually leave the five mile radius of the Providence College campus, and go look at something beautiful. Don't worry - expansion of the mind is only a temporary mental state.

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I caught the quartet's show Monday the 25th of September. The sound of DeChristofaro's gold saxophone dancing like a belly dancer underneath the lights heightened the beauty of the women, the art on the walls, and the taste of my wine. "Peace is with him", I thought to myself numerous times about different members of the band as they created sounds and emotions which were new and angelic to me. Randy Roos (guitar) played with grace as Bill Mielle (bass) and Rick Andrea (drums) laid down a solid back drop with smooth fills where appropriate, leaving the solos and melodies to DeChristofaro and Roos.

The audience stared mystified and open mouthed as the quartet's traditional oriented, yet new age or fusion styled, music spilled from the stage. There where stars in everyone's eyes. My base passions were stirred, not like fast food milk shakes getting me excited, but more like a sound triggering a memory of hearing that sound before, or feeling it, and knowing that the refreshment of clear stream water under moonlight, cleansing baby's naked innocent ski, is somehow to be found.

The DeChristofaro Jazz Quartet will be playing every Monday night at AS220 from 9p.m. until midnight and they are looking for local jazz musicians to play from 7-9. If you decide to go, remember one of the rules at AS220 is not to pass judgment on anything or anyone. The DeChristofaro Jazz Quartet and AS220 are looking for people with open minds and good vibes to help make Monday nights special.

STILL NIGHT

by Rand J. Refrigeri '97
A&E Writer

Still night, Angry night,
Moon now growling lowly light;
Demons lurk inside my sight
In Hell below my feet.

More sinister than firelight
In Hell below my feet.

Still night, Humble night,
No ghastly spirits stand;
The birds be muttered soothing yawns
Now safely bind the land.

And on this night no evil spirits
Rape the holy land.

Still night, Maddened night,
Cold Murderers and dreams to fight;
Those nightmares of that frantic fright
Abducting all your sleep.

And not a wink is gotten,
All the Devil's right to keep.

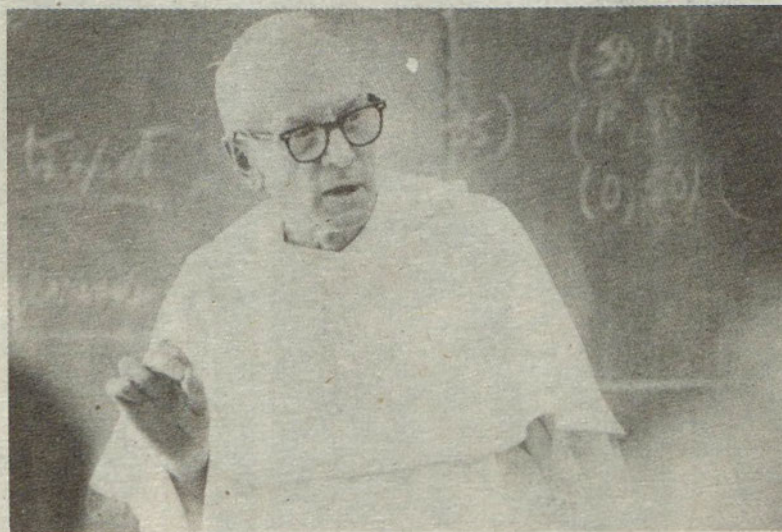
And now, with all these nights in mind,
As vast as cruel and kind,
Wherefore do royal misfits find
The remnants of poor me?

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By the wrath of one,
And paranoid about the sun,
This Night has cruel confusion done;
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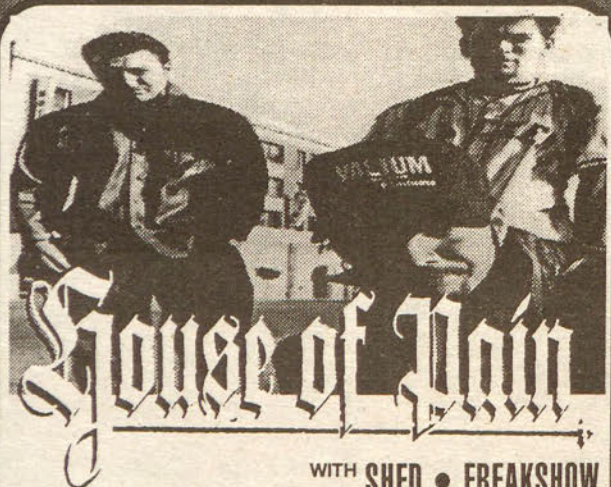
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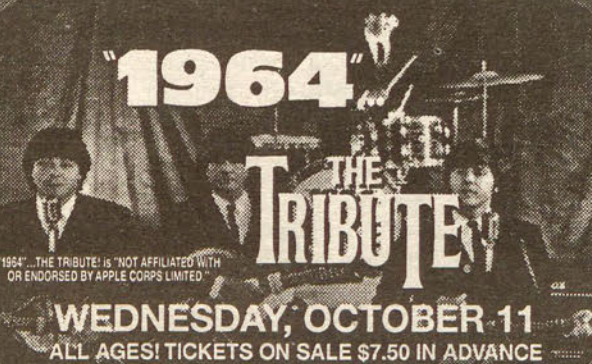


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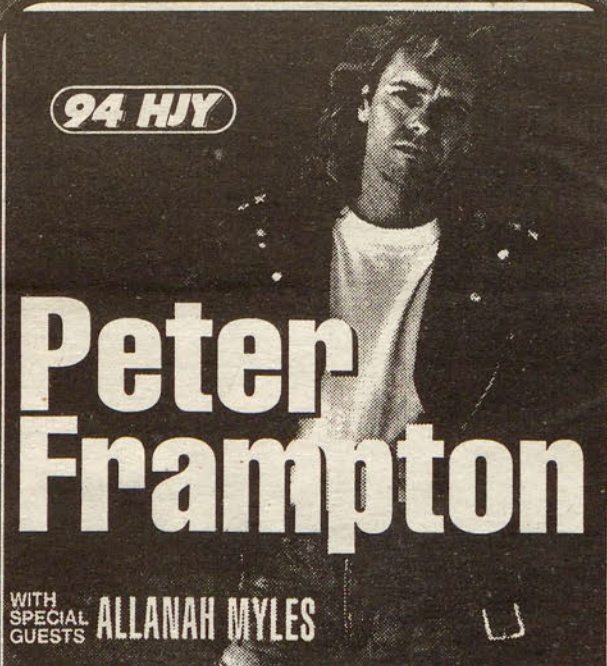
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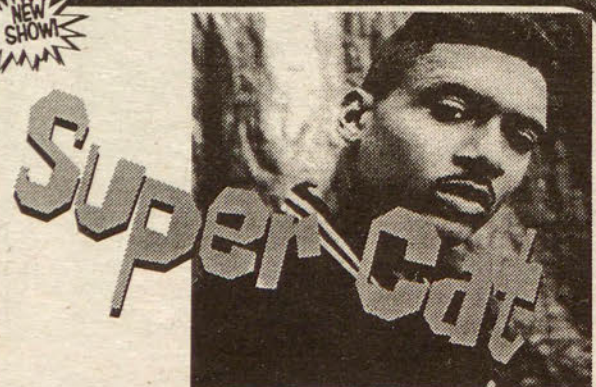
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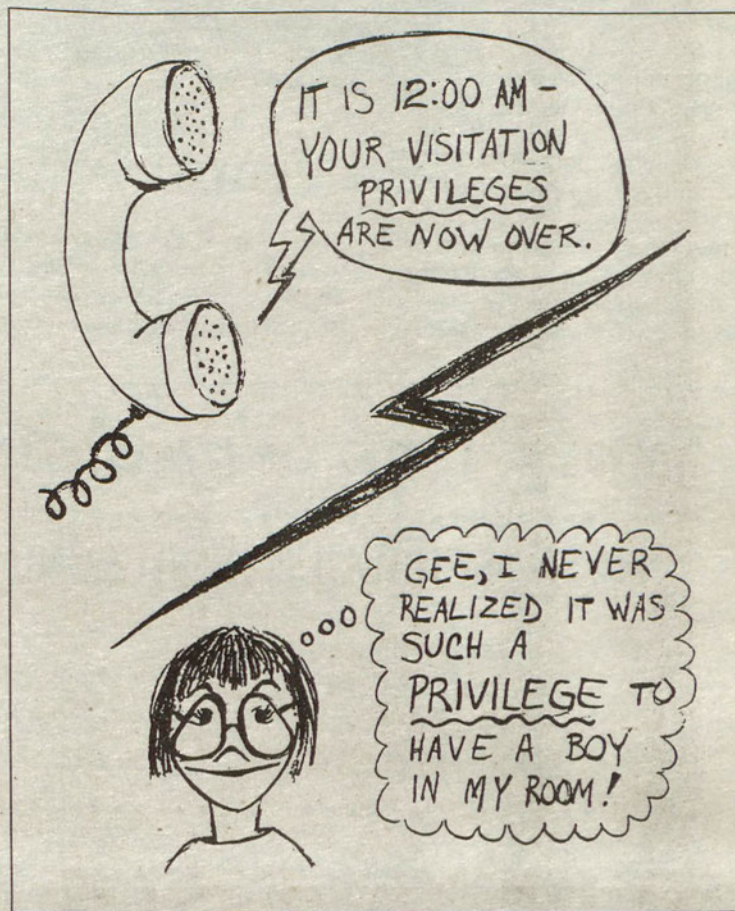
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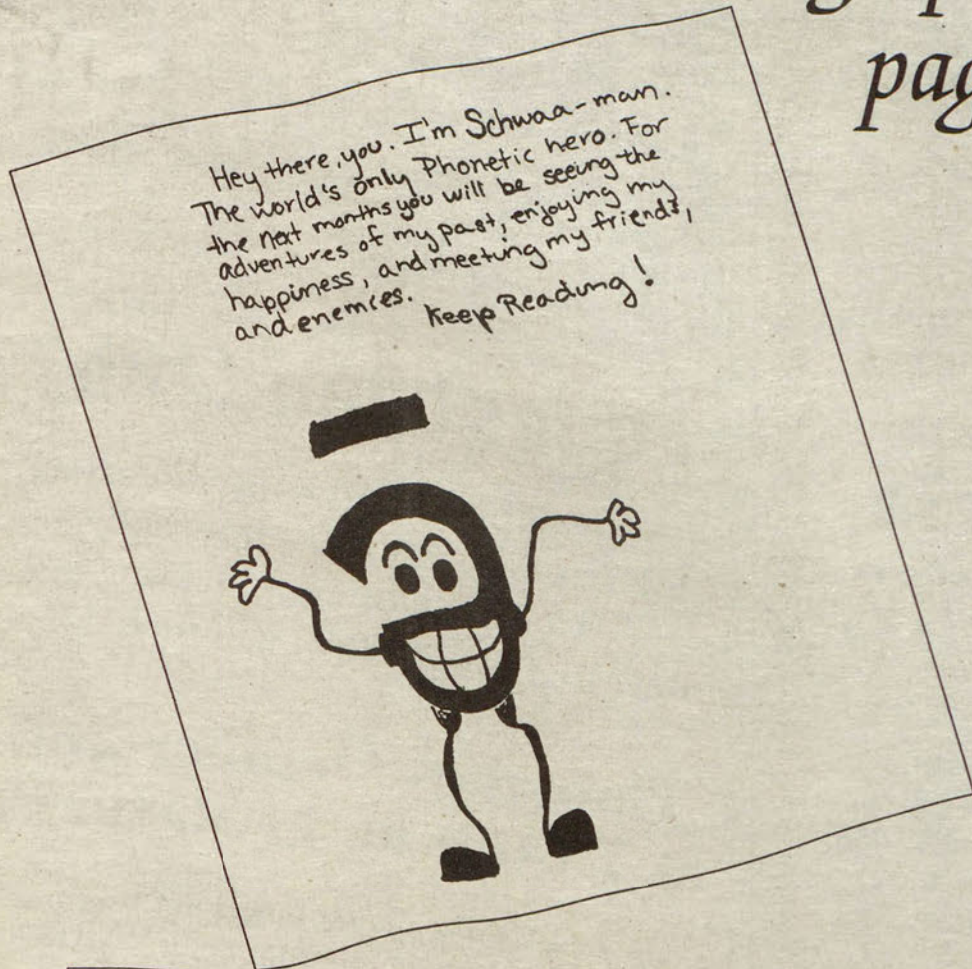


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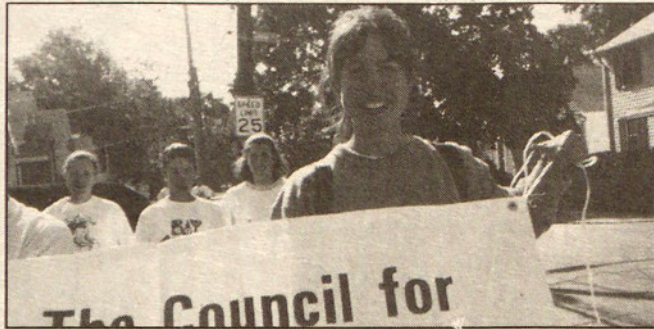
Alison Maffei '96
SCEC Publication Chairperson

On Sunday, October 1, 1995 at 11:00 a.m., the Student Council For Exceptional Children (SCEC), as well as other Providence College students, met on Slavin Lawn to participate in a walk-a-thon. The members of SCEC raised over four hundred dollars in pledges for the walk-a-thon. The money that was raised will benefit a Halloween Party for the eight hundred students at the Camden Avenue Elementary School in

Providence. This is only one of the many activities that SCEC has planned for the 1995-1996 school

For the duration of the year, SCEC will be engaging in various fund raising events to benefit exceptional children. The Student Council For Exceptional Children is always looking for new members that can help us with these fund raisers and activities. There will be a meeting for all new members, as well as students who would like to still join, on Thursday, October 5th at

6:30 p.m. in Slavin room 203. We look forward to seeing everyone there.



year. The SCEC would like to thank all those who walked on Sunday and to everyone who contributed money to the walk-a-thon.

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Contemplari

by Fr. Elias
Contributing Writer

When one looks at the nature of a Catholic academic community, it is important to note that there are ways of being Catholic that are destructive of this sort of enterprise. Actually, it is better to say that some distortions of Catholicism prevent the formation of an academic community that is integrally Catholic. Perhaps the best name for one sort of distortion is *fundamentalism*.

At heart this is a failure to grow both personally with God and intellectually in faith. And yes, in the process it dehumanizes and defames those who disturb its life of often violent isolation. The intellectual stunting can be seen when a fundamentalist Catholic never seems to get around to ques-

tioning his own grasp of the teachings of the faith. This usually becomes apparent when everyone else is "giving up on the faith." Such a believer has enshrined the foundation of his faith and failed to continue building the temple.

Catholic believing is very humanizing in its challenge to more and more deeply understand what God has said to us through Jesus, his mission with its teachings and especially its paschal culmination. This is what St. Augustine recognized when he called an assent *with cogitation*. There is movement to follow, a cathedral to be built!

I suppose all of us take a rest or slow the pace from time to time. But at the heart of a Catholic academic community there needs to be prayer to be truly formed by the

word of God. The prayer would be for divine help to more and more fully understand both what God has spoken to us supernaturally and what he has spoken to us in the realm that our innate powers can grasp.

We have a rather sound and at the same time challenging example of healthy Catholic believing in Dominican tradition in the works of St. Thomas Aquinas. He pondered the Scriptures, Magisterial teachings, the words of the Fathers, the writings of more contemporary theologians, the realm of the human learning. He assented, prayed and then studied the limits of his knowing and as well as its proper realm - a sure prevention of fundamentalism and sure grounds for the life of a Catholic academic community.

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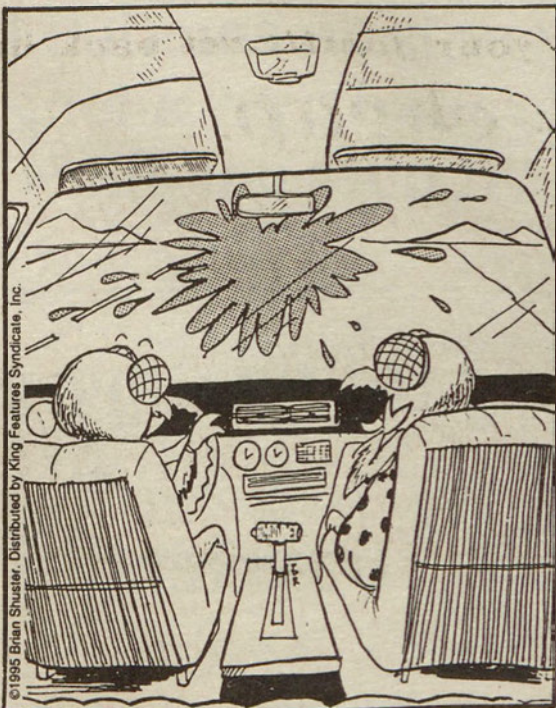
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1 egg
1 1/4 cups milk
1/4 cup & 1 tbs shortening
2 cups flour
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Filling:

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CHAOS by Brian Shuster



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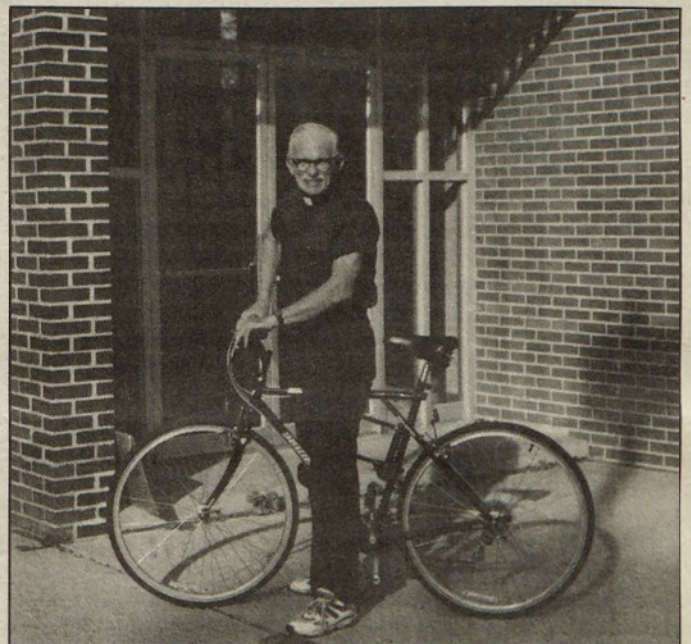
by Bridget Hughes '96
Features Editor

Often found feeding the squirrels, or talking with various students throughout campus, is a man whose patience is neverending and whose dedication is over abundant. No wonder students were so anxious to help our very own Father Fergus replace his stolen bike. A member of the Pep band, moderator of the men's Rugby club, as well as off-campus pastoral minister, Father Fergus has made him-self well known to many of the students at Providence College - and he does that with the help of his trusty bicycle.

It all started in the summer of 1989 when Fr. Fergus first arrived at PC. His neighbor, Fr. John Camaron wanted to give him a bike. Fr. Fergus hadn't mounted a bike since he was a kid and was a little surprised by the offer. But, he accepted the gift and found his life was a little easier to get around

only to see that his bike was gone. Stolen - by the three kids in one minute flat. Father Fergus found a graded spelling paper, and a candy wrapper that was left behind by the three children. He took his evidence to Juvenile Detectives, but nothing ever came out of the search, as the name on the paper couldn't be deciphered.

Rob Shine, also a 1995 graduate, and John Olohan decided that he wanted to replace the bike for Fr. Fergus. They began their collection in Bedford Apartment and continued to all the on-campus apartments, as well as Guzman, and Dore Halls. They collected \$430.00 for the new bicycle. All the students were so generous, that there was no need to venture to the other Halls or to the off-campus apartments. With their earnings, as well as 2 large pieces of paper with all the signatures from the students who had given money, they showed up at Fr. Fergus' door and



Fr. Fergus and his GT-Hybrid bicycle.

by Carey Capone '96

campus, as well as to the area off-campus. In December of 1994, John Olohan, a 1995 graduate of PC decided it was time for Fr. Fergus to have a better bike to suit his needs. John, who at the time was in the process of buying a new bike for himself, gave Father his old 21 speed racer. Fr. Fergus was delighted, and students continued to see him riding around campus proudly on his new mode of transportation.

On April 26, 1995, Fr., returned to Guzman Hall where he lives, and parked his bike in front of the chapel for a moment, as he took the time to feed his faithful squirrels. He happened to notice three young kids playing in the grass, but never gave it a second thought as he went in search of his favorite squirrel - Regina. He found her behind St. Dominic House, and returned to Guzman a minute later,

told him that they were going to the store to buy him a new bike. John Olohan commented that, "the look on Father's face was unbelievable." He said that he was absolutely floored and couldn't stop grinning.

Six months later, as Father zips around campus on his new GT-Hybrid, he hears comments such as, "What a snazzy bike!" He also comments that he is overwhelmed by the generosity of the students. He feels that although so many negative things are often heard about PC, this is one example of how a positive thing can result from everyone pulling together. He is very involved with the PC community and is always making an effort to meet the students and be their friend. He makes himself accessible and approachable to everyone, and his bike helps serve his purpose to be more involved.

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Worlds Apart

by Christina Burgmeyer '96
Graphics Staff

I have recently returned to PC an enriched woman due to my European experiences and my studies at the University College Dublin (UCD). To my surprise I realized that the people themselves were not really different, but that certain things in the culture certainly were. For one thing, I don't think I ever saw a student go to class in sweats, a hat, and sneakers, and no one wore bright colors. Right away I knew that my PC style had to go. But if my clothes did not give me away, my American accent and my ability to speak only English did. I soon noticed that my conservative button downs and chinos were not quite the fad in Europe, so I began to notice all the little differences, and to my surprise America was not as liberal as I thought.

For example people here (and I don't necessary mean PC) can only drink at age 21, and the bar door is guarded, usually, by a huge

you even walk hand-in-hand people scream PDA. There I had moments where I thought about asking the couple next to me if they wanted me to leave. And let's not even talk about a naked 90 year old man on the beach and a woman who walked down the street wearing only her bra. I mean, come on, in this country there are elderly people who want to arrest you for wearing a proportionately small bathing suit.

And let's not forget that in Austria if an adult crosses the street, not on the cross walk, the car has the right of way. So if you get hit by a car you'd better say good-bye because it was your fault. I could go on and on about the social differences, but the best ones were the language differences between American English and Irish English. In Ireland people tended to use the phrases "that's grand", and "thanks a million", when they spoke, for anything and everything. The first floor in Ireland is our second, so you can imagine my disgrace as I wandered around the store desperately looking for a way



man, but this is not the case in Europe, and especially not Ireland. Besides all ages in the pubs, there are signs all over town saying "Guinness is good for you. It gives you strength." But the fact that UCD had two pubs on campus for our own personal use was a comfort that no college student should be without.

Well, OK everybody knows about the lower or non-existing drinking ages, but what about the people who express their sexual desires in public? Here at PC if

out only to look out the window and see that I was 20 feet up. But before I go I must be sure to tell you a few small things. If you ever go to Ireland never tell the driver of a taxi thanks for the ride because driving will not be on his mind. You'd best say thanks for the lift. And if someone ever comes up to you, and asks to shift, you can think about it because he only wants a kiss, but if he wants to shag, GOOD LUCK because all he wants is a GOOD F....!

A New Approach

by Erin R. King '98
Features Writer

Do clothes make the man? I'm not so sure. Last Friday night, a few friends and I searched for the answer.

Apparently we had reached a lull in our social lives, rather sad for this early in the new school year. Our original plan was to stay home and do nothing—well, nothing except maybe eat a pizza and watch a movie or two.

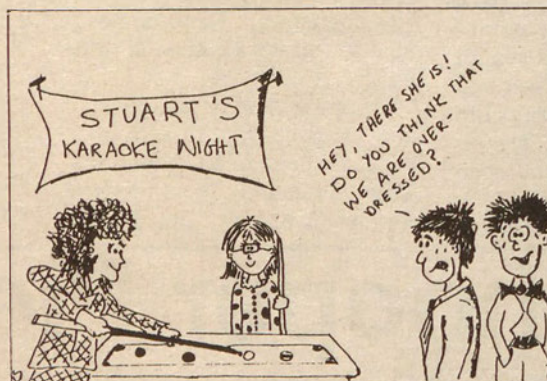
For some reason, however, see-

least, we would have all the free popcorn we could eat.

We set ourselves up at one of the pool tables. Before the end of our first game, we were approached by a guy who wished to join in our next game. This seemed like our first success in assimilation into the real world. After about fifteen minutes of self-consciousness, wondering if he thought we were completely strange or just really "alternative"—the alternative to day clothes being night clothes, I told him that I

In a way, I felt liberated. Free from the society which says "Thou shalt wear only uncomfortable, restrictive clothing on weekend evenings." Sure, I felt like an idiot at first. But after a while, I realized exactly what we were trying to prove in the first place.

We felt compelled to do something that night, not for fear of looking like social outcasts in the eyes of the freshmen with whom we share a floor, but because someone says we must eat, drink, be merry, and maybe drink a little



ing all the freshmen getting dressed up to go out on the town made us feel pretty stupid lounging around in our flannel pajamas. I think what we were doing, at first anyway, was trying to prove a point. We went out on Friday night wearing our pajamas.

On the suggestion of a friend, we stopped by Stuart's for Karaoke Night. Hopefully we could get some entertainment by confusing a few drunk people. At the very

was trying a "social experiment."

He seemed unmoved by my explanation. "Actually," he went on to say, "I hadn't even noticed."

Later on, a few of our friends stopped in for a while. One of them approached us with "Hey, you guys are wearing your pajamas!" But by that point we hardly even remembered. Personally, I found the flannel was much more comfortable than my usual Friday-night gear.

more just because we don't have classes the next day. So, in honor of whoever that was, we figured someone had to go out and prove them wrong.

The moral of the story is not throw on some jammies and party if you're bored, but to try something new. You can only spend so many nights roaming about Eaton Street with an open container.

Quote of the Week

Anger is an emotion that if you carry it around over a long period of time, it does not allow you to live.

- John Singleton

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Cows

by Asher Schofield '96
Features Writer

In India, the cow is sacred. To own one is to have it all, so to speak. In their goofy little caste system, the cows are at the top of the social order and the untouchables, the dregs of the society, are not even allowed to look at them. Sound strange? Well, it is. Other cultures can be pretty weird. But they do have some good aspects to them. For example, they certainly have good food in India.

I was sitting at an Indian restaurant on Wickendon Street, The Kismet, slurping the stuff down. They have an all you can eat buffet special for only eight dollars. However, you can't order a steak there. You can't even say the word. Cows are sacred in India. And with that thought, the memories came.

As any other person from New Hampshire will tell you, cows play

board, when armpit hair begins to sprout, and your friends seem like the coolest - when actually they are telling Kristal Preston that you wet the bed at Matt's sleep over - I found myself strangely involved with cows again.

Cow tipping: the pushing over of a sleeping bovine whilst it is asleep. Usually performed by rednecks.

Me and some buddies were on a cow tipping mission, quietly moving across a scenic farm's pasture, commando style. I was out to get one, presumably because of some deep seated, sub-conscious grudge that I'd held since the day I wore dung on my head. Well, we found a big one asleep, standing up as always and making spooky snoring noises much like the sounds Darth Vader makes. I pushed. It fell. We heard the startled moo a split second before the air filled with the rip of a shotgun blast and its cargo. We all



a big role in your life while growing up in "the granite state." I can remember counting the black and white shapes as I was driven by the pastures on my way to kindergarten. It seemed as if there were millions.

Another memory had a more shaking effect.

It was a cloudy day and school had just gotten out; the game had just begun. As the projectile hurled towards me, fear froze my body. I was stuck in position as I felt the hard impact on my forehead. Pain and embarrassment hit me next. Being nailed in the head by a piece of cow dung is humiliating. It was a game as old as the hills, where laughing little children threw dried cow feces at each other. The rules were... throw as much as possible at everybody until the first kid cries. On that cloudy day, I was that kid.

Tears fell down my face as I wiped off the excrement. For some reason, my anger fell on the shoulders of the big ol' gernsey who left that heavy pile on the field.

Several years later, knee-deep in that awkward stretch of junior high, where strange thoughts leave you unable to do work on the black

started running really fast, tripping over each other and the many obstacles strewn about, as more shots zoomed by. Hey, we were messin' with the guy's livestock, man. I would have been shootin' too, if I were him. But looking back now, I probably would have tried to take out a few cows first.

It has come to the point where, after dealing with so many disastrous events related to cows, I think I regard them now as enemies. A nemesis. Luke had Vader. The Dark Side in my world is controlled by cows.

With that thought, I looked back at the name of the restaurant. The Kismet. In India, "kismet" means fate - a sort of crazy, supernatural, divine fate. The connections were spooky. These same Indians, who worship the beasts I despise, had just dropped a wildly ironic thought on me. It was my destiny. My life is interwoven comically with the lives of some unknown number of cows. Good and evil. Two forces in the universe dancing the Lambada through the stars. A dance for which we all must someday know. A dance, for which me, includes a partner with hooves.

Caf Etiquette

by Theresa Edo '96
Editor-In-Chief

Raymond Cafeteria. It is an institution, a tradition. It is part of the rites of passage of a PC student. Some come to complain about the food. Some come to check out the social scene. Some of us even come to earn a paycheck.

There are about 65 students who depend on Ray Cafe to supply them with a welcome, white check every other Thursday. (Which is usually gone by Friday night.) We are paid to take care of the hundreds who pass through the lines each meal. Since we all have to get along in that small, wood-paneled space, (and since I am a four-year member of the Raymond Caf Gold Club) I have compiled a few suggestions to make things flow a little smoother.

***All the way down, please.** First of all, you would think that if the average caf patron was accepted into college he or she could figure out the question of what to do if he/she wants to drop off his/her dirty, brown tray and the first

window is already full? Should he/she A) nicely walk a few feet down to the ready arms waiting in one of the other two pits that have no trays OR B) ruthlessly shove his/her tray in #1, knocking over glasses and silverware in his/her rush, figuring that whoever is working back there can't wait to clear it? You make the call.

"All the way down, please..."

***This is not art class.** Why do people who are supposed to be emerging adults crave "play time" to see what they can form out of the leftover food scraps on their trays? Remember finger painting? It's disgusting to clean and usually revolting in design. - I can hear the action in the courtroom now. "Your honor, the defendant sexually harassed me with a picture in his mashed potatoes."

***Save a tree.** News flash - you don't need 500 napkins for one meal! I don't know who these

people are, but you could wipe all the chins in a small country with the amount of napkins they waste.

***S(tanding) R(oom) O(nly).** Did they tell you at Freshman Orientation that it's really cool for EVERYONE on campus to go to dinner at 5:30 or so? In four years at PC I have never seen such long lines. Out the door! Look at them line up for Chicken Fingers! Trust me, it's okay to wait 15 minutes or so. And if you NEED that corner table, show up 15 minutes earlier. You'll thank me.

***Bring up you trays, please.** Why are some people able to remove all of their meal from the table except for that one particular glass? (Usually one filled with sugar and sprinkles.) As if we are excited to clean up the single cucumber left in that pool of barbecue sauce next to the table tent on your table.

It will take a while for everyone to get used to the ebb and flow of the complex system that is the caf. Once you pick up on the short cuts and take this caf-friendly advice, it will be a happier place for everyone. But don't worry, you'll get the hang of it sooner or later.

What's Up? Of the Week

What's up with BOP only selling *Phantom of the Opera* tickets "One Per Person?" Some students had class or prior obligations. Because of this, not everyone was able to stand in line for a ticket and get a fair chance at going.

Student's ABC's

Appreciate the sound of silence.
Books are meant to be opened, not carried.
Christmas vacation will come.
Doing the right thing is hard, but right.
Everybody is smart on some topic.
Four letter words belong in the bathroom.
God will help, but you have to ask.
Helping others makes you feel good.
"I can't do it," means, "I won't try."
Just getting by means, "I'm not worth it."
Keeping a friend beats always being right.
Long boring classes will end.
Mom and Dad went to school, too.
No means no, not maybe.
Outside days are God's little rewards.
Putting off homework makes it harder.
Questions are never dumb.
Recess is your coffee break. Enjoy it.
School is fun only if you decide to like it.
Television is not life.
Until you like yourself, nobody else can.
Very little breakfast means yawns at ten.
Watching the clock slows it down.
X-ray eyes are given to mothers and teachers.
You are loveable and capable. Believe it!
Zilch is what you get if zilch is what you do.

- by Dolores Curran



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Serving Up Success

by Scott Palmieri '97
Sports Writer

It was business as usual at the tennis courts on Eaton Street Tuesday. Only a couple of hours after the one of the most dramatic moments in U.S. History unfolded, the quiet sport carried on. The only thing that crept past the baselines was a cool breeze that swept across the busy courts. The Lady Friars' capped off a busy week in their defeat of Tufts University 5-2.

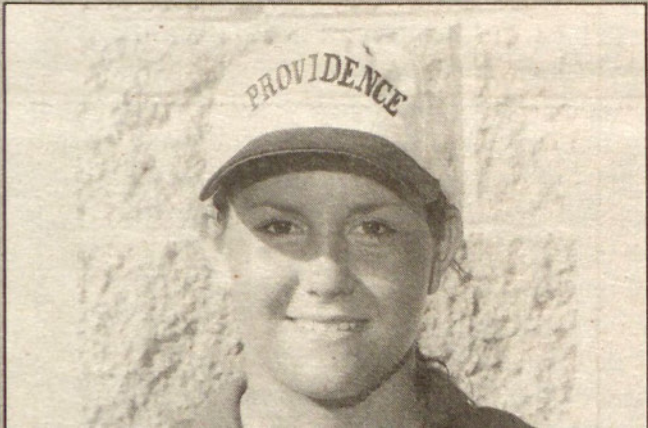
Leading Providence's charge was sophomore newcomer, Monica Martinez, who coincidentally celebrated her twentieth birthday with great performances. She and Claire Curry crushed Tufts 8-1 as did Natalie Burke and Christie Judge. Martinez dominated her singles match, winning in straight sets, 6-3, 6-0. The doubles pairs swept their matches while Christina Martin, Natalie Leduc, and Katie Burke all had difficult singles wins.

Last Thursday, the ladies suffered their first loss of the fall season. UMass defeated PC 6-1, dropping their season record to 4-1. The lone winner was co-captain Gretchan Marquard who won in straight sets 6-0, 6-1. The Lady

Friars bounced back the next day against Central Connecticut with a 6-1 victory. Marquard, Martinez, Curry, Leduc and Burke captured victories in singles play. Martin/Marquard and Martinez/Curry were the doubles successes for the day.

Saturday, PC split the travel distance with Vermont University, as the teams met for a match at Storrs, Connecticut. The Lady Friars won 5-2. Christina Martin and Natalie Leduc led the charge while Martinez and Curry snatched wins in singles as well as together in doubles play. The pair, Burke/Judge, topped off Providence's strong day with Martinez/Curry. The two teams defeated Vermont 8-6 in their respective matches.

The Lady Friars' season winds down in the next couple of weeks. The men were idle this week as they gear up for play in the competitive ECAC Tournament this weekend. The women's team, now 6-1, will end their season at the New England Championships in early November. They hope to complete the fall successfully and carry that momentum into the spring.



Monica Martinez '98 led the Lady Friars to victory over Tufts

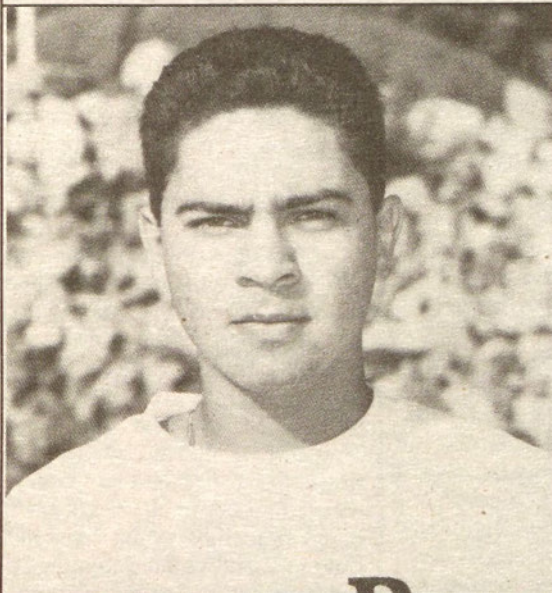
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PC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Juan Acevedo '98
(Belmont, MA)
Men's Soccer

Juan scored the game-winning goal in a 4-2 victory against Yale. It was the first win of the season for the men's soccer team. Acevedo leads the team in scoring (10 points) and goals (five).



Paula Wagoner '98
(Toledo, OH)
Field Hockey

Paula tallied five points in the 4-3 overtime victory against Rutgers on Saturday. Wagoner, the 1994 BIG EAST Rookie of the Year, assisted on PC's first goal of the game, scored the second then scored the stroke in overtime that gave PC its second BIG EAST victory of the season.

What's Happening?

This Week In Providence College Sports

Thursday, October 5	Tennis at ECAC Championships (Princeton, NJ)	8:30 p.m.
Friday, October 6	Tennis at ECAC Championships	8:00 a.m.
Saturday, October 7	Women's Soccer: MAINE Women's Volleyball at BC Golf at Dartmouth Invitational Men's/Women's x-c	1:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, October 8	Men's soccer at Villanova Field Hockey: WEST CHESTER Golf at Dartmouth Invitational	1:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m.
Monday, October 9	Women's Soccer: ST. JOHNS Field Hockey: BALL STATE	1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.
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BRING ON THE BIG EAST

Friars Win Sixth Straight; BC up next

by Keith Christensen '96
Sports Editor

After six straight wins, the time is at hand for the PC women's volleyball team: Bring on the Big East! The Lady Friars swept Harvard Tuesday night, 3-0, to run their record to 12-6 in their last tune-up for conference play.

The season begins in earnest on Saturday, when PC travels to Chestnut Hill to open their Big East schedule against a much-improved Boston College team. Finally, the Lady Friars will begin answering a simple question: Just how good are they? As good as the team that has run off six straight wins? Capable of being one of the select six who will make the Big East Championships in November? Or merely the eighth best in the league, as voted by conference coaches in a preseason poll?

There were few answers to those questions in Tuesday's night's match. The third game was a perfect example of why pundits can't figure the black and white out. Leading two games to none, PC started the third game slowly, and the Crimson Tide rolled ahead, establishing a 14-7 lead. At one point, the Tide went on a 7-1 run, aided by PC miscues

that accounted for four HU points, and served for the game.

Then Providence College took over. Jocelyn Cole blasted a kill through two HU blockers to give the Lady Friars the sideout, and the comeback began with Sarah Parsons' service. Sherryl Jones put down a kill for the first point; then Parsons aced the Tide. Cole and Kelly Tooley teamed on a block to bring PC to within 14-10, and Harvard called a time-out to stem the torrent. The Friars were not slowed, and the crowd came to life as great diving saves by Parsons and Jones preceded another Cole kill. Jones followed with two more winners to pull PC within one.

Harvard regained the serve twice at 14-13, but Tooley and Jones had kills to twice deny the Tide the win. Finally, Jones put PC ahead, and co-captain Becky Loftus floated a kill over the HU block for the 16-14 victory.

The first two games were not nearly as close. Sarah Parsons came off the bench in the second game to spark the Lady

Friars. Parsons aced the Tide twice and was serving when PC appeared to break the game open with a 4-0 spurt. HU climbed out of the 8-2 hole and was within 8-7 when the black and white pulled

away for the 15-8 victory.

"Sarah did a great job," commented coach Matejka. "She came in and did what she had to do."

PC led throughout the first game, but allowed HU to hang around long enough to tie at twelve. Finally, the Lady Friars buried the Tide on a Tooley block and Loftus kill.

Loftus quietly put together an astoundingly strong performance. She had nine kills and no errors for a staggering .600 hitting percentage, and added thirteen digs. Tooley also posted big numbers, digging a team-high sixteen balls, while hitting 321 (twelve kills).

The most noticeable player on the floor, though, was freshman Sherryl Jones. Time and again Jones came up with improbable one-handed digs and timely kills. Her win-at-all-costs style nicely complements Loftus' and Tooley's consistent excellence and power.

PC's match-up with BC promises to be interesting. The scrappy

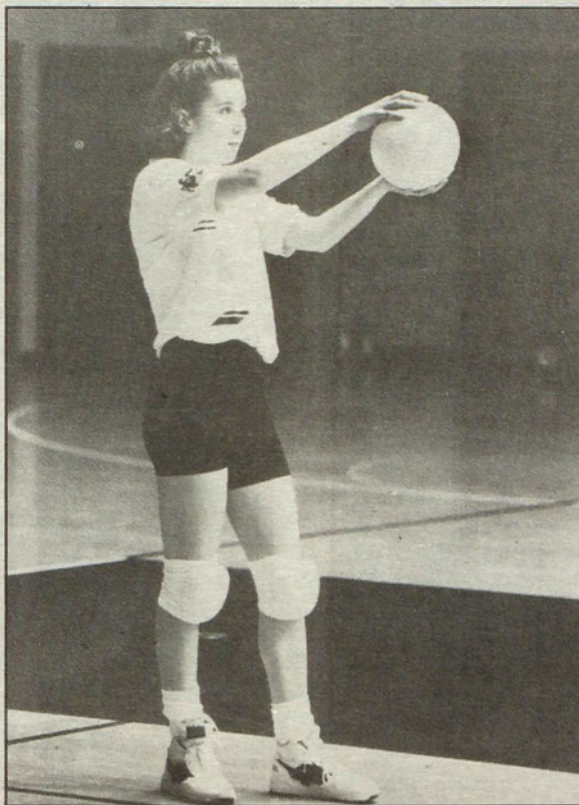
Eagles upset the Lady Friars, 3-2, in the Eagle Classic earlier this year, and PC is looking for revenge and a good start to the Big East season.

"BC is going to be ready for us," said coach Matejka. "They're a lot better than they have been in the past," added Tooley. "But if we play our game, we should do well."

After BC, the Lady Friars face Hartford, an early season victim, before traveling to Pittsburgh and Syracuse for two tough conference contests.

"We're in a learning process, so things are a little choppy right now," commented Tooley. "But I expect us to smooth things out and be in really good shape in the Big East."

Big East Notes. . Newcomer Notre Dame continues to look like a world-beater. The Fightin' Irish have won five straight matches, including their first two Big East contests. The only blemish on their record was a loss at the hands of #13 Texas. . UCONN, which was among the conference's best teams last season, is in the midst of an eight-match winning streak. Middle blocker Heather Kohnken was named the Big East Player of the Week for her performance during the Huskies 3-0 week.



Sarah Parsons '97 served up three aces in the Friars win over Harvard Tuesday night.

Friars Fall in Maryland

by Mike Friess '97
Sports Writer

The PC Golf team, coming off a strong fourth place finish at the UNH Wildcat Invitational Tournament last week, fell on much harder times, finishing dead last out of nine schools at the annual Big East Championship Tournament at the TPC in Potomac, Maryland. The Friars were completely off of their game, finishing with a score of 652 (324, 328), 59 strokes behind the victorious University of Notre Dame and 13 strokes behind the their closest competitor, 8th place Rutgers University.

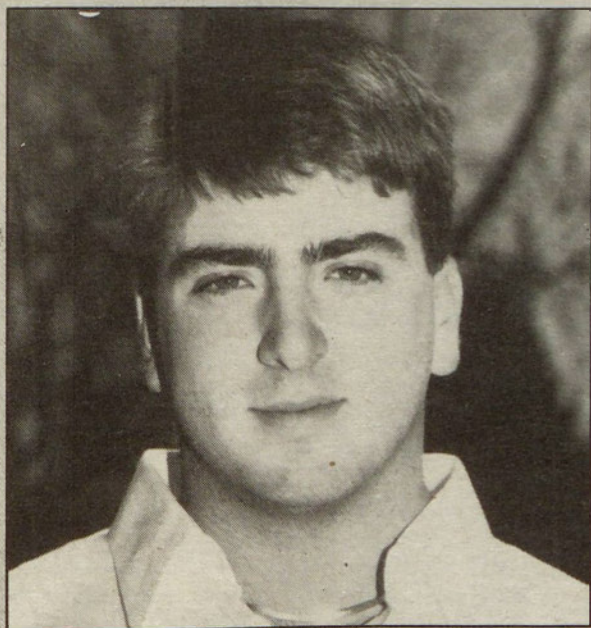
Individually, the Friars were equally disappointing. Senior co-captain Jeff Magee finished the rounds of play tied for 20th, shooting a 158 (80, 78) on the par 71 course. T.J. McDonald, usually the squad's best and most consistent golfer came in tied for 34th, shooting an uncharacteristic 163 (78, 85). "I just played miserably. We all shot poorly, and there wasn't much that the coach could say afterward. I just played really poorly," commented McDonald after the frustrating finish.

Freshman Rich Dillard, playing in his first college tournament shot a 99 for Saturday's first round, and then took 17 strokes off his score on Sunday to shoot an 82, finishing with a 181 for the weekend. Rob Brennan (169 83,86) and Brian Lavoie (166 83,83) rounded out the five man Friar squad.

McDonald assessed the difficult course in Maryland. "The course was very long and demanded accuracy. Some times you can not shoot so well, but end up with a decent score if you're lucky. you couldn't do that here. You really had to be on the top of your game." McDonald also assessed his teams chances to recover from this weekend and earn a berth to the NCAA Championships. "It will be tough to beat UCONN, Hartford and URI. They're all really strong programs." The selection process for the NCAA's is done by computer

and it sends only the best teams and/or individuals from each given region to the tournament.

The Friars will look to improve this week, as well as improve their standings for the NCAA's, at the Dartmouth Invitational Tournament in Hanover, N.H. This will be the Friar's first trip to Hanover, and they're hoping it will be a successful one.



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Post Season for Mr. Baseball

by Todd McKeating '97
Sports Writer

After 14 years, 1,785 games, Mr. Baseball, Donald Arthur Mattingly, will play in his first post season.

The Yankees' Captain has dreamed and fought his whole career for this opportunity, and finally it has arrived. On Tuesday, October 3, Don will play against the Seattle Mariners in the first game of a Best-of-Five Series.

His first playoff appearance has not come easy. Last year the Yankees led the American League East by six and half games and seemed destined to make their first World Series appearance since 1981. Then, the baseball strike began, and Don was forced to wait another year. Baseball resumed this year, and the Yanks were easily picked to win the Pennant. However, Tim Wakefield and the Boston Red Sox had a different idea. They came out storming and never looked back. The Yankees infamous owner, George Steinbrenner, made key off-season acquisitions to ensure the Bronx Bomber's chances at post season play. He brought in the league's top rated closer from Montreal, John Wetteland, added the White Sox's ace, "Black Jack" McDowell, traded for Ruben Sierra, hired gun David Cone, and signed Daryl Strawberry.

However, things did not go according to Steinbrenner's plans. They lost their ace, Jimmy Key, gone for the year from arm trouble, Melido Perez spent most of the year on the disabled list, and Captain Don Mattingly battled an eye infection and a bad back. After two horrendous West Coast trips, the Yankees found themselves behind four teams, on August 27, for the first ever wild card berth. Don Mattingly and the rest of "Pinstripes" refused to roll and die. They went on to win 26 of their last 33 games, posted a 21-6 record in September and won their last 11 of 12 games to clinch the Wild Card.

Mattingly's numbers were not All-Star caliber for his 14th season. One thing was for sure, when Don was hot, he ignited the Yanks and made them better. Mattingly was instrumental in many key victories down the stretch for the Yankees. When he had problems in the field or at the plate, he led the Yanks through personality in the clubhouse and his fierce competitive nature on the field. He was



tied for the team lead in doubles with 32, hit .288, fourth best on the team and only committed seven errors.

According to the *Boston Globe*, Mattingly said, "Maybe I'm not showing all that emotion right now, but I'm excited on the inside. I'm not going crazy because we've got a lot more to do. But it's been good getting here. We worked hard and didn't get help from anybody."

"I'm not going crazy because we've got a lot more to do." Those are true Don Mattingly words. In a year which baseball's image was tarnished by the strike, the players' greed and their lack of respect for the game, Don Mattingly's star shone bright against the greed, gloom and avarice. He was questioned by George Steinbrenner and wondered if his future with the Yanks was certain, he entertained thoughts of playing in Japan and took criticism from New York media about his lack of production. His chronic bad back did not help his numbers and an eye infection slowed him further, but he played through all of this. Yet, he did not point fingers and blast his teammates with obscene remarks, he went out and did his job the only way he knows, hard-nosed.

Mattingly will not put up the kind of numbers he did from 1984-89, when he averaged .327 BA, 43 doubles, 114 RBIs and 25 home runs. In 1984, he led the league in hits (207), doubles (44) and batting average (.343). In 1985 he was named the Most Valuable Player. He belted a career high 35 home runs, drove in a league leading and career high 145 RBIs, smacked a leading 48 doubles and hit .324. The Sporting News named him their Player of the Year in 1984, 1985 and 1986. Finally, his infamous streak is over. Of all the active players, he had appeared in the most games (1,785) without appearing in the post-season.

New York is ready for a new legend and a new "Mr. October." Gone are the chants of "Reggie, Reggie, Reggie," as vibrant chants of "Donnie, Donnie, Donnie," will be heard throughout Yankee Stadium. The most popular Yankee of our era, wants to take these Yankees into the uncharted waters like the legends before have done like Mantle, Ruth, Maris, Gehrig and Jackson. Donnie's time has arrived, a copper bust is waiting in left-centerfield and the ghost of legends gone past are waiting to welcome Donnie into their home. "Donnie, Donnie, Donnie."

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Kelley. Goal.

Being down one goal is not an impossible situation. Coach Hornish-Lisevick has been heard to have said that getting a goal scored on you is sometimes a good thing; at least it wakes you up. In this situation, however, it seemed to make the Eagles even hungrier. It certainly seemed to make them faster.

Junior Kara Nance was a menace to Providence all afternoon, and let her presence be known at 34:00 when she fed fellow teammate Kiera McKeon up the middle for a goal. There is no better way to celebrate a perfect feed than a goal for yourself. At 34:36, a mere thirty-six seconds later, she rolled in a goal from the left side.

So, after one half of "mentally slow" play, the Lady Friars found themselves in a three goal hole.

Not expecting to crawl back, especially after giving up a throw away goal early in the second half, PC came back with a youth movement of sorts. Only two seniors were on the field at the end of the game. The rest were seldom used freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. These players, however, gave BC a game in the second half. Besides a BC goal at 49:33, PC battled the Eagles to a deadlock for the rest of the game. Unfortunately, leading scorer Amy Heseltine could not break loose from the Boston College grip to put Providence on the board.

It is understandable that Coach Hornish-Lisevick does not want to address the first half. That simply was not her team on the field. She was, however, eager to discuss the second half. "You saw the future of PC (soccer) out there." The future is out there, but where is the present?

Men's Soccer Hits the Skids

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try to climb in the standings. The Rutgers game was typical of our season so far. We played really well and held the fifth ranked team in the country scoreless for the first half, but in the second half we had our characteristic breakdown after they scored their first goal which led to three more goals after that. Tony [Czar] and Juan [Acevedo] just missed goals. It was unfortunate. We know we're a better team than this. We think we can beat Villanova on Sunday."

The Friars took on the fifth ranked team in the country Saturday in their first ever Big East encounter with perennial soccer powerhouse Rutgers. The game was very important to the Friars coming off of their first win of the season over Yale just days before. The game plan was to play within themselves and not lapse defensively, as they have been prone to do so far this year. The first half of play was perhaps the Friars' finest hour in a season full of disappointment. Juan Acevedo nearly scored mid-way through the half but his shot wound up right in the hands of the goalie. They stymied the Scarlet Knights in a way they had not played in quite a while. Rutgers got deep in Providence territory three times only to be stopped cold by goalie Daniel Pires and company. The defense excelled and there was hope that the Friars could pull off the upset. As the first half ended the Friars

had perhaps the biggest victory in holding Rutgers offense scoreless for 45 minutes.

But things will and do fall apart, and the second half was a pure example of that. PC continued their stellar defense until 51:22, when the Knights broke through for their first goal, the first of many to come. The goal must have shattered the flow of PC's defensive unit, because they didn't play the same after the goal. Ten minutes later Rutgers scored again to make it 2-0. Then, in a defensive lapse, Rutgers scored seconds later as Pires was beaten in front of the goal for an easy score. The Knights added another goal for good measure on a header to ice this one at 4-0 and convince everyone watching that they are indeed deserving of the number five ranking.

The Friars have once again lapsed into their familiar losing ways. Their record currently stands at 1-7-0, 0-5-0 in the Big East. The team will travel to Villanova this Sunday in search of their first Big East win and will take on Holy Cross Wednesday. The team begins a seven game road trip with these games, with only one home game remaining this season in November. One thing is certain: the Friars need to win some games and create a positive out of an otherwise negative season to date.

Of Note in the Big East:

The men's soccer team is 1-15-1 in their last 17 games.

At 1-7-0 this year the Friars have a winning percentage on the interstate at .125.

They have allowed 22 goals on the season while having scored only 10 so far.

Juan Acevedo leads the team with a total of ten points (5 goals).

Rutgers is 5-0-1 in the Big East Conference. So much for the freshman jitters.

Boston College and Seton Hall are the only other Big East teams yet to suffer a setback.

Paul Keegan, Sr., Midfielder, of Boston College was named Offensive player of the Week in the Big East scoring two goals in wins over Pitt and Georgetown.

Adam Spitzer, Sr., Goalie, of Pittsburgh and Dan Martin, Sr., Back, of Rutgers were named Co-Defensive players of the Week in the Big East.

While Rutgers is ranked fifth in the nation, St. John's has crept up to number twelve and will be dangerous down the stretch.

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Now It Gets Serious

Cross Country Squad Successful in First Big Meet

by John Carchedi '98
Sports Writer

Preseason polls mean nothing, predictions are hollow, and early meets where you dismember Division II squads are a blast, but are for preparation only. It's the later meets where the real running is.

The Friar cross country teams began the real season in an impressive way Saturday at Falcon Heights, Minnesota, as the women took top honors at the Nike Invitational, preceded by a fifth-place showing by the men in the Minnesota Invite.

The northern exposure was PC's first against top 20 competition, and both squads stood out. The Lady Friars, now ranked #3 in the nation, outdistanced # 12 Penn State, #9 Wisconsin, and Big East rival, seventh-ranked Georgetown.

"We were very happy with the way we ran," said co-captain Meghan McCarthy. "We look good as a team, but there's still room for improvement. We have a lot of work to do to get ready for the Big East, but we set ourselves up well. We're in a very good position."

Fellow captain Moira Harrington agreed. "It was a big goal for us to win this meet," explained Harrington. "Everything is going to plan, everybody seems to be where they want to be right now."

Providence was led by Marie McMahon's second-place time of 17:11, and sophomore Maria McCambridge's fourth place finish. Harrington and junior Krissy Haacke crossed the line together at 17:57 in 16th and 17th places respectively, with McCarthy clos-

ing out the scoring in the 26th spot at 18:09.

The scary part was that the meet was McMahon's first of the season after battling tendonitis in her ankle in August. With just four to five weeks of training behind her, the junior lost only to Wisconsin's Kathy Butler (16:57), an Olympic qualifier in the 5000m.

"Marie ran her first race, after missing a lot of time in August, so for her to be second was very good," lauded Treacy. "She ran against one of the best athletes in the country in Kathy Butler. Obviously, we will hope when the NCAA rolls around in seven weeks' time that Marie will be much closer to her, if not ahead of her."



Track star Marie McMahon has continued her success on the cross country trails this fall

"I've raced against her before," said McMahon, speaking of her victory over Butler in last year's Penn Relays (5000m). She's been training hard. I won't race against her again until the NCAA's. Hopefully I will be in better shape.

"I was nervous, but it was good to get back into the feel of it again,"

added the Ennistymon, Ireland native. "I was pleased with how I did since it was my first meet."

Providence also won this meet without number three runner Susan Murnane, who's been battling the flu. Add Murnane to the mix and give McMahon a few more weeks of training, the #3 team in the US. is exactly where it wants to be heading into the Big East.

"At least now we know where we stand," said Treacy. "We've got four weeks to work towards the Big East and there's a lot of work ahead of us. But I think, if everything goes well, we can be looking forward to the NCAA's in seven weeks' time."

The men are just as optimistic after the trek to Minnesota. The Friars grabbed fifth place without their full squad, including number one man and Olympic qualifier Mark Carroll, and number four man Paul McNamara. However, PC only fell 20 points shy of fourth place

Georgetown, the #7 squad in the country and the favorites to repeat as Big East champions. Power Wisconsin ran away with the title, placing five men in the top 20.

"I was very happy with the way they ran considering the fact that Mark didn't run," said Treacy. "You put Mark into the equation and we're second. Wisconsin is a very, very strong team, I feel the best in the country."

"But for our guys, it was their first taste of that type of competition, and they responded very well."

Junior David Healy finished fourteenth, covering the 5k course in 25:17, to lead PC. Cocaptain Andy Wedlake placed 21st (25:26), senior Jose Libano crossed in 39th (26:07), freshman Zack Ventress ran to 46th place (26:13), and junior Michael Donnelly ended the scoring, finishing in 49th (26:14).

"Everyone else had their strongest team, but we held some guys," noted Healy. "It was good to get out there, and prove to ourselves more than anything else that we can compete with anybody in the country, we're as good as any team. It sets us up well for the Big East."

The Big East is on everyone's mind, so the focus after Saturday was Georgetown, the team to beat for the conference crown.

"Georgetown brought their full team, and we held a few guys, so we're looking to win the Big East," said Libano. "We're right on target for our

goals; Ray is very happy with where we are."

The kicker is that the Friars have a high caliber team without Mark Carroll. After a rigorous racing schedule that placed him on Ireland's Olympic team, Carroll delayed training for Cross Country. The New England Championships a week from Saturday will mark his first race back, when the high caliber Friars add the NCAA's top harrier to their arsenal.

"I think he's going to win the NCAA's," said Treacy. "There's nobody else in the field that can run 13:13 for 5000 like he did this summer, and run a 3:36 1500. There's nobody in the field with those type of credentials. All he really needs to do is to keep the training going and get a couple of races behind him and he'll be ready for NCAA's."

"It's tough to put pressure on him immediately, but at the same time we've never had an NCAA cross country champion, with the great tradition that we've had, for both the men and women. It would be nice if Mark could end up his cross country career at Providence College with an NCAA title. That's the reason he's back, that's the one he wants to win. It will be the greatest thing for him to have on his resume."

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Maria McCambridge	17:26 (4)
Moira Harrington	17:57 (16)
Krissy Haacke	18:09 (27)
Meghan McCarthy	18:34 (47)

David Healy	25:17 (14)
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Swinging in the Rain

by Rebecca Joyce '96
Sports Writer

There is nothing quite like hearing the impact of ball on stick when it stops dead after a long, hard drive. Both the Lady Friars and the University of Maine Black Bears exchanged drives in between the whistles and the dodges; the tally was at a standstill until Paula Wagoner scored, bringing PC to a 1-0 victory yesterday. After Saturday's 4-3 win at Rutgers, the Lady Friars have upped their overall record to 4-5 (2-2 in the Big East).

The Black Bears held PC at 0-0 until the last twelve minutes of yesterday's game in the rain. Neither team was able to get the shots

on goal, but the competitive teams rallied the ball back and forth with careful skill. It was definitely not a game of panic for the Lady Friars. Concentration was focused solely on the game. Midfielder Julie Fahey eased the ball past charging Bears, bringing the Lady Friars sporadic opportunities near goal, but despite the clean passes made amongst the Lady Friars, they could not get shots on the cage.

Did the rain have an effect on the team? Coach Barto responded, "We weren't as quick today. It may have had something to do with the surface. Maybe we did not play our best effort, but we still came out ahead. That's the sign of a good team."

With 11:50 left in the second

half, Wagoner's shot towards goal bounced off a Black Bear's stick and sailed over the head of Black Bear goalie Cindy Botett. The Black Bears started picking up their speed and drive which brought them near goalie Jamie Soteriades with a corner. With the help of Bonnie MacDonald, the ball came back to midfield, out of immediate scoring danger. Meredith Zenowich was soon slammed in the leg, and went down with 1:28 left to play. She recovered quickly, but sat out for the remaining time. The Black Bears flailed in the last 25 seconds with a corner that ended the game.

Though PC won, Fahey says, "We played a good game, but it wasn't up to par." Up to par, that is, in comparison to the Rutgers'

game on Saturday. PC held the Lady Knights to a 3-3 score at the end of regulation. Lady Friars Zenowich, Alissa Wickles, and Tara Kaminski chalked up the goals for PC. The game moved into the first overtime, with a series of rushes back and forth between the goals. Bethany Rogers created a 2 on 2 rush, which was denied. Rutgers regained possession, but could not capitalize.

Zenowich and MacDonald created a breakaway, but Zenowich's shot was stifled. The first overtime ended scoreless, as did the second. The teams then prepared for a shoot-out, during which each team chose five players who rotated penalty shots against the respective goalie.

Both teams were on equal

ground, each making three shots. Then PC missed. If Rutgers scored on Jamie Soteriades at this point, the Lady Knights couldn't have lost. Soteriades dove to make a stick save, and PC had another chance at winning. Wagoner scored then for PC, pushing the ball beneath Botett's pads. Rutgers was prevented from scoring on their last penalty. Not only did the Lady Friars have to make the penalty shots, but the win was dependent on the saves made by Soteriades. The win was key in PC's Conference record.

The Lady Friars travel to Ball State this weekend to take on West Chester Sunday at noon, and Ball State on Monday. The next home game is against Syracuse.



Paula Wagoner '98 scored the game-winner for the field hockey team on both Saturday and Wednesday.

FALTERING IN THE FIRST

by Cory McGann '98
Asst. Sports Editor

It is safe to say the women's soccer team is struggling.

It is safe to say you are struggling when you are 2-10 overall, 1-6 in the BIG EAST. It is safe to say you are struggling when your winning percentage would get you deported to the minors if you were a baseball player. It is safe to say you are struggling when your goalkeeper, arguably the most important cog in the defense, is a wide eyed freshman and her backup is yet another wide eyed freshman. And it is definitely safe to say you are struggling when your opponents have scored 41 goals, and you have scored only 19.

Probably the most struggling aspect of this entire situation for Head Coach Donna Hornish-Lisevick and her staff is that the Providence College Women's Soccer team is a good soccer team. Young, yes. Inexperienced, maybe. But good, yes definitely good.

The team, however, doesn't seem to want to prove this consistently. Lapses, specifically second half lapses, have caused problems for the team all season. During the weekend the Lady Friars took a trip up to New Jersey to face Rutgers. PC gave up three goals in the first half, then battled to a goal apiece tie in the second. Unfortunately, the game was already in hand.

Whether Boston College, the latest PC opponent, had scouted the Black and White beforehand is

unknown, but they played like they had. The game plan: to attack, attack, and attack. "They did a good job exploiting our weaknesses," lamented Coach Hornish-Lisevick, "we had marking problems today... and we are very susceptible to breakaways."

BC wasted no time in testing Renee Sands '99, the Providence goalie. After about ten minutes into regulation an Eagle shot deflected off a player and into the net. Sands received a reprieve, though, as it was called back due to an

offsides call.

At 28:33 BC midfielder Allison David took over and went on the offensive. She intercepted a loose, bounding ball from two Providence players and controlled it with a nice header into the ground. Running down the right side, she held onto the ball for what seemed an eternity. Sands, forced to come out and make a play, was out of position when David dropped the ball off for forward Jennifer

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The play of Senior Back Erin Valla was one of the few bright spots against Boston College

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Here we go again

Friars conclude homestand by dropping two straight

by Pieter J. Ketelaar '97
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About the only thing that matched the lousy weather on yesterday afternoon was the mood of the Friars after the University of Connecticut Huskies shut them out 2-0 for their second straight

UConn failed to make any significant progress, with the majority of play at midfield. Despite being down, Providence hung with them, trailing by one.

The second half continued in the style of its predecessor as both offenses failed to get anything going early in the half. The Huskies



Juan Acevedo brings the ball down field for the Friars

loss since breaking their thirteen game winless streak last Wednesday.

The Friars have struggled for goals all season and yesterday was no different even against a UConn team that had yet to win a Big East game. Providence came out strong as the rain began just around the start of the game. They were able to move the ball down field several times but could not capitalize on scoring opportunities as they have not all season. The Huskies then swung the momentum in their direction and made several advances into PC's territory, and at 25:54 they knocked the ball past Chris Ivany in net for their first score. The rest of the first half was a stalemate as both the Friars and

heated up, though, and began drawing closer and closer to the goal. At 60:14, UConn scored on a penalty kick to take a 2-0 lead and that would be all they would need as they closed down the Friars the rest of the way. PC tried to get the offense going but UConn's defense managed to mire them at midfield, squelching any attempts to score.

"We were in the entire game," commented Wednesday's goalkeeper, "we just could not get on track. We've been flat and haven't been able to score ever since we won. The two losses this week were big losses for us in the Big East. We need to win there and

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