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CIV Under Review

by Mary M. Shaffrey '97
News Editor

Yesterday, faculty and administrators met in Feinstein to discuss the new designs for the core curriculum. At the heart of the debate was the Western Civilization Program.

Six different "suggestions" were discussed varying from leaving the CIV program alone, to altering it drastically with a Freshmen Seminar to take the place of first semester CIV and then a Capstone Class to be taken during Senior year.

Reactions to the varying Models differed. Those who favor the old program stressed that the need for more intensive classes and better interaction with students could be achieved by increasing the number of teams and establishing more seminars. Under one proposal the ethics requirement for philosophy would be dropped and replaced with a course in Thomistic Philosophy or the Theology of Aquinas.

Under the proposed Seminar approach, students would be grouped with professors in their first semester freshmen year. They would focus their studies on developing a spirit of community, fostering communication skills, and teaching the art of critical reading. Semesters two, three, and four of the CIV program would be taught consecutively in freshmen and sophomore year. CIV would conclude for these students with a class taught focusing primarily on the 20th Century in either the seventh or eighth semester.

The Seminar approach was one of the more popular suggestions and was included in several of the models. In one, the seminar groups would be limited to only 14 people with CIV taught during the entire sophomore year and then first semester senior year.

Due to the fact that the syllabus for CIV has only been changed three times in the last ten years, new innovations are always being discussed. A Core Text approach for each concentration was discussed as well as a Colloquium approach to reduce class size. Also when discussing the Fine Arts requirement the idea of having students' past or present performance compensate for meeting requirements without affecting core credits.

The ultimate goal is to have a new curriculum by Spring 1996 to present to the Faculty Senate for debate and approval. The new curriculum would then have to receive final approval from both the President and the Board of Trustees.

Some professors feel that these suggestions are not giving enough credit to the students and their abilities to succeed while others believe that PC needs to recognize the changing needs of students and how they deal with academics here.

'97 Celebrates JRW

by Colleen Pappas '99
News Writer

The past weekend the Class of '97 was united in perhaps the most pivotal event before Commencement. Through the celebration of JRW the class moved a step closer to senior year and eventual graduation.

"This was the biggest event of our college career besides graduation," exclaimed Mary Murphy '97. "We have been looking forward to this since our freshmen year."

The weekend began with the semi-formal on Friday, November 10. The participants, who were primarily juniors, were whisked away to the previously undisclosed location, The West Valley Inn, in W. Warwick. The following evening the formal dinner was held at the Copley Sheraton Formal Ballroom in Boston. Held at the Hynes Convention Center on Sunday was the Ring Mass, which included the blessing and distribution of the rings, followed by brunch and a slide

show.

"Everyone just seemed to have a good time," commented Murphy referring to the semi-formal. "There wasn't any tension or nervousness on Friday night, everyone was really laid back and relaxed."

However some felt that the chosen location for the semi left much to be desired.

"The first night," admitted Sarah Syner '97, "there was not enough room to dance and the tables were too close together."

"Friday night was not bad!" exclaimed Brian Barbeau '97. "But Saturday was also a really good time. My favorite part of the weekend was probably Saturday night. It was cool seeing everyone dressed up, especially for our school, since we have so few formals besides JRW and Commencement."

"My roommates and I were a little nervous for the formal because it was such a gala event," confessed Murphy. "But it was gorgeous! The Ballroom was beautiful!"

Sunday morning the class gathered for the Ring Mass. The Principal Celebrant was Fr. Philip A. Smith, President of the College, and the homily was given by Fr. Joseph Barranger, Chaplain of the College. Fr. Barranger stressed the importance of the uniqueness of the PC class ring and how it is a bond between the class.

"The Mass was very moving," professed Syner, "especially when Liz Benson ('97) sang *Ave Maria*."

Nonetheless, one concern about the brunch was the inadequate amount of food served. Bill Ewell '97, President of the Class, and a member of the Core, explained this was a problem from the beginning.

"When Suzannah Feikowitz ('97) head of the formal committee spoke to Kate Costello, head of the Sheraton, she was under the impression that when we were given prices for the meals, that those prices included not only the meals for the formal, but also for the brunch the next day."

What the JRW Core was told two months prior to the event was quite

to the contrary. The prices for the brunch had not been included and the Core was faced with a sudden budgetary problem. A solution was needed in order to provide a brunch for almost 1000 people, without raising the process of JRW tickets.

"Working within the constraints of our budget we decided to have a continental breakfast. Therefore we could only order breakfast for about 600 people, and then when the food at the brunch did run out, we ordered for another 100, which still was not enough. However, we had no other options. I think we dealt with it pretty well considering what we had for choices," commented Ewell.

The movement of the Ring Mass from Thursday night to Sunday morning was another issue to be reconciled by this years JRW Core.

"As soon as we were selected to be on the JRW Core," stated Ewell, "we were invited to Fr. McPhail's Of-

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News Commentary

What is the Administration Doing to Save (or Kill?) the American Studies Program?

by David M. Canal '98
News Writer

Hey, we tried. With registration upcoming and a variety of choices to make as far as classes go, we at The Cowl thought that we would do a favor for the students at Providence College and attempt to find out exactly what the future of the American Studies Program was going to be. Not so easy.

Last May, the American Studies department head, Dr. Richard Testa, was informed that he will not be returning next year. This event left many students wondering what direction the American Studies program was going to take. Rumors of the American Studies program being dropped circulated about campus and had many students wondering if their major would cease to exist come

next September.

Christine Kayola '99, came to Providence College mostly because of the American Studies program. "I came here because PC is one of the only schools that offers American Studies as a major. The program here is well organized. It is not going to be the same anymore now that they are dropping it."

Christine, like many other students, is wondering why the college is waiting to make the drop official while she continues to take classes within the American Studies major. Says Christine, "I have been told that it will be dropped and that they have known this since the summer. They told me I can still graduate with the American Studies major, but it will be taught by other teachers and they will provide alternative courses. It's just not the same."

Lisa Tilden '98, "Dr. Testa was

very instrumental in helping me set up my double major in American Studies. It is really strange that all this is happening since the American Studies Program is now larger than it has ever been here at Providence College."

Seniors in the American Studies Program are equally upset at its apparent demise. Chris Walsh '96, an American Studies major, stated, "I feel it is a bad thing that the program is being dropped. For me, the program was exactly what I needed. It allowed me to do what I wanted and basically design my own major. I don't think the school realizes how important it is to students with specific needs for their major."

Students have every right to know what the future of the American Studies Program will be like. If it is subsequently dropped, many students will have

completed half the courses required for a major that does not exist. Will students be able to complete the necessary courses and requirements if the major is dropped? Will students be forced to switch majors? If so, will the college do anything to assist these students into transferring credits into another major? When will the college announce if it will be dropped so students can start taking other classes in January and not waste another semester? All these questions are certainly important questions that students voiced. The Cowl felt that this issue is one that certainly should be addressed. So we did.

Enter me. A sophomore news writer who knew little, if anything about the American Studies program before last month. I did sympathize with these stu-

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Physical Plant Negotiations Settled

by Mary M. Shaffrey '97
News Editor

Over the last few weeks *The Cowl* has reported the continuing negotiations between PC and Physical Plant as well as UNICCO.

On November 13, 1995 The Chief Financial Officer of the Vice

President for Finance and Business released a statement saying that negotiations between PC and the Union representing the Physical Plant Employees concluded and a new collective bargaining agreement to replace the contract which expired June 30, 1995. Final negotiations were reached at a negotiation session on November 7.

Major provisions of the agreement include a 2.5% across the board pay increase retroactive to July 1, 1995, along with a \$150.00 cash payment, and a percent increase effective July 1, 1996, also with a \$150.00 cash payment. In addition, the Union employees will now be covered by the same health insurance plan as the rest

of the College.

Other changes included minor adjustments in the grievance procedure of the contract and reclassification and upgrading of certain positions.

UNICCO negotiations have not changed since last reports in *The Cowl* were published

Guatemalans Go To Polls to End Civil War

Guatemalans went to the polls on November 13 to elect a president who they hope will be able to end the three decade civil war raging in their country.

The election was the third since constitutional rule was restored a decade ago. The military, however, remains the power behind the throne, with 44,000 soldiers a constant presence.

Over 100,000 Guatemalans have been killed in the Civil War that began almost 35 years ago.

International observers were on hand in Guatemala to keep an eye on acts of intimidation that may occur at the more than 6,300 polling places.

People have been moving away from voting due to disgust with the winners of the two previous elections. Eligible voters going to the polls has declined from 70% in 1985 to 50% in 1990, and is expected to drop even more with this election.

Scandal in South Africa

Former President Roh Tae-Woo of South Korea has been found to have accepted bribes during his time in office.

Prosecutors are saying the \$650 million Roh accumulated during his presidency is not from donations, as he claimed. If he is prosecuted, he will be the first former South Korean president arrested for misdeeds in office.

Prosecutors allege the bribes were in return for Roh giving out lucrative government contracts. No arrests have been made yet.

Yeltsin on the Mend

Russian President Boris Yeltsin is recovering from heart trouble in

a Moscow Hospital, and he is looking good.

The speaker of Parliament's upper house, Vladimir Shumeiko, said Yeltsin, "Looks better than many so-called analysts assume." He also adds that even while in the hospital, Yeltsin is maintaining a busy work schedule.

Yeltsin was hospitalized on October 26 for heart trouble- his second time in four months. He will not be back in the Kremlin until next month.

Vandals Steal History

Thieves and antique hunters are picking apart history. The Colosseum in Rome, which has survived over 1,900 years of weather and wars, is now being broken down by vandals.

Just last week an inscribed block big enough to have been hoisted on a truck, was stolen.

Police claim they are going to organize an anti-theft plan to control the vandals and preserve the building.

Security Check for all U.S. Bases in Middle East

U.S. commanders Tuesday ordered a security review of all bases in the Middle East after the terrorist bombings of an American headquarters in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Investigators from the FBI and State Department joined Saudi Police in the search for clues. Officials have no suspects, although

at least two little-known groups claim credit. Seven people were killed in the attack and another sixty were injured.

Five U.S. citizens, including an Army sergeant, died in the blast and thirty-seven were injured. Pentagon spokesman Ken Bacon said it appeared that between 150 and 225 pounds of high explosives were detonated in a van parked outside the building housing the headquarters of a \$5.6 billion U.S. program to modernize Saudi Arabia National Guard. U.S. advisors, military and civilian, also are helping to upgrade the Saudi air force and other services - all paid for by the Saudi government.



Federal Government Shuts Down

Federal workers continue to spend another day at home as President Clinton and Congress continue their verbal combat over balancing the budget.

At least 800,000 government workers were deemed nonessential, in a workforce of nearly 2.1 million and were sent home Tuesday as the federal government shut down.

Essential services, such as the military, postal system, social security and veterans' hospitals, continue to operate, and Speaker Newt Gingrich is promising to avoid disrupting politically sensitive programs. Congressional Republicans want to balance the budget over the next seven years, overhaul Medicare and cut taxes. Democrats, on the other hand, call the cuts too severe and want to balance the budget over a longer period of time.

Of the four government shut downs since 1981, none have lasted more than one day.

Calvin and Hobbes Retiring

One of the country's most popular comic strips, *Calvin and Hobbes*, will come to an end on December 31.

The saga of a rambunctious kid and his imaginary tiger rivaled only *Peanuts* in popularity polls. Calvin runs in nearly 2,400 newspapers and has been published in 13 books which sold 23 million copies. The newest book is No. 1 on the New York Times best-seller list.

Bill Watterson, creator of the 10-year-old comic strip, wrote in an announcement to editors around the world, "My interests have shifted, however, I feel I've done what I can do within the constraints of daily deadlines and small panels."

Watterson, who has been described as reclusive, took a 9 month leave in 1994, because of "the pressure of creative and deadline requirements."

Calvin and Hobbes, one of the most popular comics of the day, will be missed by readers throughout the world.

Priests Witness Shootings

Three priests will be used as prosecution witnesses in the case lined up against three men charged in the restaurant massacre at the 99 Bar and Grill in Charlestown, MA last week.

The three priests were seated near the victims when the suspects Anthony Clemente, his son Damian Clemente, and friend Vincent Perez opened fire.

Prosecutors hope the priests

will undermine the self-defense claim of the suspects.

The men allege that one of the victims, Roman Luisi, made a gesture as if to grab a gun, when they opened fire. No weapons were found on the victims.

After shooting the four victims and leaving the restaurant, the elder Clemente returned and fired more shots, as if to finish them off.

The case is awaiting trial early next month.

Navy Faces Another Sexual Harrassment Case

The Navy is ordering everyone in the service to take a 24-hour "stand down" to prevent future breakdowns in discipline. During

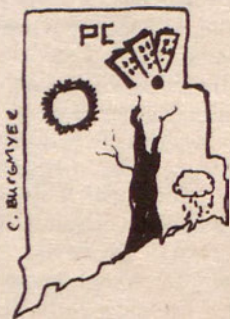
"stand downs" normal duties are suspended to focus on particular problems.

This time the call for the "stand down" was issued after a drunk Navy cook sexually assaulted a female sailor on a commercial jet in front of 20 or so other sailors, who neglected to intervene. The incident is being investigated by the Naval Criminal Investigative Service.

Recently, the Navy has experienced a string of embarrassing episodes, which reflect poorly on them. The Naval Academy is investigating 22 midshipmen for marijuana and LSD use. On October 15 two midshipmen were arrested at a hotel where LSD was found.

The last time the Navy called for a "stand down" was in 1992, after the Tailhook scandal, where female officers were groped by drunken Navy and Marine Corps aviators.

Former School Reopened for Retirement Housing



A former school that closed 13 years ago will be reopened again to house the elderly. Vineyard Street School in Providence was closed more than a decade ago, and the building sold to developers.

Michael Voccola, chairman of the building's board of directors, took out a 4.5 million dollar loan to convert the building into Vineyard Court, with 53 apartments for the elderly. Only six of the apartments are occupied so far, but the rest are expected to be rented by the end of the month.

Mayor Vincent A. Cianci Jr. attended the ceremony to mark the opening of the apartment house. He called the building a, "Wonder-

ful new housing facility that enhances the neighborhood."

Memorial for Slain Officer Erected

William R. Abrahamson, an unarmed park ranger fatally shot at Roger William's Park, was eulogized before a memorial built at the park in his honor November 11.

Three hundred people attended the service for the ranger of 15 years, who was fatally wounded by one of two teenagers who were being detained near the zoo's entrance last month.

A small garden was built in the wetland section of the park zoo, and a fountain will be installed in the spring to remember Abrahamson.

Many people addressed the crowd at the memorial, including Mayor Vincent A. Cianci. Music was sung by the All City Band, Broad Street School Chorus and Lisa A. LaChance. Donations in Abrahamson's honor will be re-

ceived by the Rhode Island Zoological Society.

Police Chief's Son Injured

Pawtucket Police Chief Richard DeLyon's son Richard was found lying on a railroad track beneath the bridge at Mineral Spring and Lonsdale Avenue on November 10.

DeLyon apparently fell from the bridge onto the track, resulting in multiple injuries. He was reported to be in satisfactory condition in Rhode Island Hospital.

Police did not say how the incident occurred, and can not locate the boy's father in Florida. Hospital officials released a statement claiming the boy will be released from the hospital in a few days.

all articles compiled from The Providence Journal-Bulletin, USA Today and USNews & World Report.

Council President to Return Soon

City Council President James A. Petrosinelli will return to his duties at the end of the year, fellow council members report.

Petrosinelli, 70, has not attended a council meeting since March 16 because of a serious back injury.

He has missed many key council votes, including the one on the proposed Providence Place Mall. Colleagues insist they keep Petrosinelli informed on critical issues, and he is keeping up with key events occurring in Providence. Councilwoman Evelyn Fagnoli is filling in for him as acting council president.

Great American Smokeout Hits RI

The American Cancer Society's

19th Annual Great Smokeout today used bowling, eating, drawing, painting and educational workshops and weightwatching to help smoker's around the state kick the habit.

Gio's Pasta & Grill of Coventry gave a free meal from 11:30 am-9:30 pm to anyone who has smoked in the last three months and who pledged to quit for at least thirty days.

When you bought a "cold turkey" sandwich at D'Angelo Sandwich Shop in Warwick from 11am - 2pm one received free chips, soda and stop-smoking information.

Finally awards were made in a statewide school art contest for drawings or paintings showing smoking hazards. Twelve awards were given to students in grades K-12 at a ceremony held at the State House, with one grand prize winner.

For those who worry that quitting smoking will affect their weight, *Weight Watchers* is offering half-price registration until Nov. 18, when the person mentions the smokeout during the registration.

Off-Campus Security Discussed

by Erin Piorek '96
News Writer

According to the Student Handbook, every student is afforded "the right to exist peacefully with members of the Providence College community, which includes the right to protection against harm, force, violence, threat, harassment, and abuse." This statement may be of particular importance to those students living off campus. Carolyn Ryan, Off-Campus Housing Director, recently coordinated a safety forum on campus called "Students On Safety" to give off-campus students an opportunity to voice their concerns.

On Monday, November 13, Ryan invited Patrolman John Whalen, Providence Police Department to discuss safety and security at PC and to answer students' questions about the neighborhood. Whalen advised students to lock their doors at all times. He suggested that students bolt their back doors and get in the habit of using the front door only. Whalen also said that if a student has a problem with an officer, that student should go directly to the Desk Sergeant at the Providence Police Station, who will then bring the concern to Internal Affairs.

The forum may have been prompted by concerns about apartment safety during the upcoming break. Officer Whalen advised students to either take their valuables home over the Thanksgiving break or to take advantage of on-campus storage. If students are not able to take these precautions, they should record the serial numbers of their valuables so that they can be identified as stolen.

Bill Meehan, Student Congress President, attended the Safety forum and voiced his concern about police officers walking into a student's apartment during a party. "If you have a party, keep your door locked," Whalen advised, "that way an officer cannot enter unless you come to the door." Meehan also brought up the danger of the intersection at the corner of Eaton and Douglas, and his concerns about police cars speeding through the neighborhood.

Meehan is concerned that so few students attended the forum when Off-Campus Safety seems to be such a big issue. Patrolman Whalen was likewise concerned.

It has come to the attention of Carolyn Ryan that "some students don't lock the downstairs doors to their apartments because their doorbells aren't working." Ryan encourages students to talk to their landlords when something is not working in their apartments. If a landlord fails to respond to a student's concerns, that student should contact Ryan so that she can take care of the problem.

Ron Kelly, Judicial Officer at PC, was also present at the Safety forum. While Whalen focused more on apartment safety, Kelly stressed that "when students go out at night, they should make sure they walk in groups." He advised students never to walk alone off campus.

Every week, Carolyn Ryan goes out into the neighborhood to meet with students and to hear their concerns and thoughts about off-campus. "I strongly advise students to take every precaution before leaving for Thanksgiving," Ryan said. She suggested that students use electric timers so that it doesn't look as though the apartment is vacant, that students who live on the first floor should draw the shades while they're away, and that off-campus students should ask their landlords to stop by during the break to check on their apartments.

Monica Vigerstol, Student Head of OCRO (Off-Campus Residence Organization), found the forum to be very informative. Officer Whalen was open to questions and concerns, and welcomed students to stop by his office on Pinehurst Avenue. Patrolman Jack Whalen and Patrolman Thomas Masse are Providence College's community police officers and are available and willing to speak with PC students concerning safety and off-campus life.

Students were asked to be aware that there will most likely be another major sweep through off-campus in the Spring and to act responsibly and prudently.

Students Confused About Shuttle Service

by Robin L. Erickson '98
News Writer

The shuttle service has changed its policy and it has upset many people on and off-campus. Until recently, one could call a shuttle directly from their room.

"I don't know where that (policy) all started," exclaims Philip Reilly, Director of Security. "Somehow, somebody's been misusing it." Reilly emphatically stated that Security is not in charge of the shuttle service. Student Services handles this aspect of student life. There is one shuttle that runs daily during the week, and two that run on Friday and Saturday nights. The fifty calls an hour to the security office are too much for the shuttles to handle.

The problem is that students think the shuttles are for their personal use only. A shuttle runs around campus on a fixed schedule, which can be found in the handbook. An around-the-clock schedule of the times and locations of the shuttle can be obtained by calling X2940. Sharon Hay, Director of Student Services, claims that they are in "a catch-22 situation." She states that the "shuttles are for safety, and we need to make

sure people are using it appropriately." The problem is that students are using the shuttle for their own personal purposes. They expect to be picked up in a flash; not realizing that the shuttle has its own route to follow. When students call for private use of the service, they are neglecting to realize that the shuttle is missing its other stops. "We want students to be safe and utilize the shuttle," claims Ms. Hay, "and we need to find the best way to accommodate the most people."

There seems to be a difficult time compromising between the two situations. It is hard to please everybody, and everyone needs to realize that it is not a black and white situation—there are a lot of different issues at stake. Students need to realize that they can no longer call the shuttle for their personal use. They must consult the schedule and pick-up times if they need to get off campus. "If you're in an unsafe situation, it is their responsibility to take care of the students," states Berni Ryea '99 and Bethany Rogers '99. Only in the event of an emergency, such as where one is hurt and on crutches, can a shuttle be called for door-to-door service. Until then, if any stu-

dents have a suggestion as to how this situation can be resolved, Sharon Hay invites comments. "I'd love to hear ideas," states Ms. Hay. It is possible that if enough complaints are lodged, the purchase of a new shuttle may occur, but that is purely speculative right now. Hay explains that "it is a very large financial commitment and I do not know at this juncture" what will happen.

Many students feel that their safety shouldn't have a price tag on it. Lauren Lopresti '98 and Karen Parsons '98 agree "it (the policy) is unfair because people should be able to get a shuttle if they need one." Lopresti continues, "If it were up to me, we should get more shuttles, but I don't know if the school has the money for it." Chanda Slack '98 protests that "students pay enough to come here, and our safety shouldn't be denied just to save a few dollars. Maybe they should have one shuttle sticking to the regular schedule, and one conducting door-to-door services for those who need it." The first place to start is with Congress, then to Student Services with Ms. Hay, and finally to Father McPhail. Any and all suggestions are welcome.

Class of 1997 Junior Ring Weekend

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fice (VP of Student Services) he told us that Thursday had been taken away from us. His reasoning for this was the JRW event was a social event, and it was becoming too large and taking away from the academic affairs of the college." Given the circumstances, the Core had few options.

As a result of the issues that came up this year, Ewell addressed Student

Congress this past Monday and suggested that perhaps some changes needed to be made in the structure of the event. A committee, headed by Meg Wrona '96, has been established to look into whether or not changes should be made for next year. Some issues the committee hopes to resolve for next year are where the Mass should be held, and how to decrease the price of the tickets.

Ewell concluded, "We wanted to

make sure that the real focus of JRW is not lost. This is the tradition for the students to come together and celebrate friendship and their lives together here at PC throughout the symbol of the ring."

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American Studies

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dents and promised to come up with some answers. That was three weeks ago.

Getting answers out of the faculty here at PC is not an easy task. I contacted three faculty members in hopes of getting the slightest insight into the future of the program. The main stumbling block I faced with the faculty is that none

of them would talk until the program was officially dropped. I saw their point and I accepted it. However, I couldn't even get the slightest details out of them, not even any information as to when the decision is going to be made.

Dr. Testa was willing to speak about the topic but there really was not much he could contribute, since he is leaving and does not have a say in the decision to keep or dump the program. Dr. Testa has much to say about the decision either way and he, too, will speak out once the decision is made.

Next, I figured I would go straight to the top, a visit to the President of Academic Affairs Office. I was all set. I had a meeting set up for Tuesday at 11:30. I would skip Civ that day, but this was well worth it. After making my appointment last Thursday, I

figured I was finally going to get some answers. Not so. My meeting was canceled the next day because, "The American Studies Program has not officially been dropped yet". I was quickly learning that denial is not just a river in Egypt. So my meeting was canceled and along with it, my story.

Currently, the American Studies Program has more students enrolled than ever. What should they do when they attempt to register today and tomorrow? Should they go ahead and take American Studies classes and risk wasting another semester or move on to a new major? Your guess is as good as mine.

King III to Speak at PC

by Tammy Ledoux '99
News Writer

Non-violence will be the topic of discussion when Martin Luther King III visits Providence College's Peterson Center this weekend.

The son of legendary civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. will be spending Saturday with a group of Providence High School students. In this workshop, King will be addressing students on the theme "You are the Solution: Using the Principles of Non-Violence to Change Your World."

His next stop is at Providence College where he will be presenting a second program entitled "Unarmed Love in the 90's: Applying the principles of Non-Violence in a New Era" to a group of 500 at a banquet held in his honor.

King's stay in RI comes only two

weeks prior to the 40th anniversary of Rosa Parks' refusal to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama. This action was the impetus to a large-scale civil rights movement spearheaded by King Jr.

"Mr. King's visit occurs at a time when heightened tensions across racial and religious lines threaten the very fabric of our nation. We have great hope that Mr. King's presence will serve as a call for unity as we pursue to reduce violence in our society," said State Representative Joseph Newsome.

King's visit is sponsored by the non-profit Rhode Island Committee for Non-Violence Initiatives (RICNVI). The presentation is part of the organization's ongoing effort to educate the people of Rhode Island about peaceful ways to reduce violence and resolve conflicts in our communities. The group was formed in 1994 prior to the visit of

Arun Ghandi, grandson of Mahatma Ghandi.

The coalition is non-sectarian in its efforts, encouraging respect for and appreciation of different religious traditions. The Committee recognizes that King Jr.'s call for a revolution in values and away from materialism toward a more people-oriented society is an essential aspect of constructive non-violent change.

King III is a human rights advocate, community activist, and political leader. He has been actively involved in international humanitarian efforts to eliminate poverty and starvation. He has also taken part in programs to nurture the personal and educational development of youth.

Tickets for the dinner and speech start at \$25.00 and are available by calling RICNVI at (401) 453-5157.

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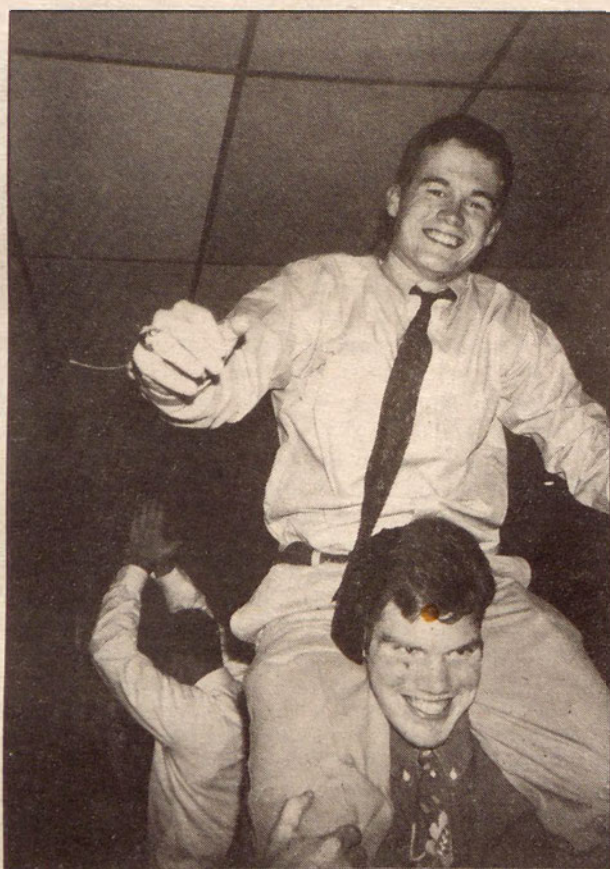
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'97 JUNIOR RING WEEKEND

NOVEMBER 10 - 12, 1995



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JRW: Different Class, Same Old Problems

by Mike Sullivan '97
Editorial Writer

For the most part the Junior Ring Weekend for the class of 1997 was a success. The locations of both the Semi and the Formal were crowded but very nice. The DJ was good even though he could have played more slow songs. I and everyone else I know had a great time. However, there were a few things that kept our JRW from being a total success.

First of all there was the whole Ring Mass problem. In years past

with the rest of their class had to pay \$12 for a ride to the hotel and for the Sunday morning brunch. The JRW is supposed to revolve around getting our class rings. Not receiving them until Sunday made it seem like nothing more than an afterthought.

The brunch itself was a bit of a mix up. I, like most people, expected the brunch to be more of a meal. All they provided for us were bagels, muffins, croissants and juice. Not only was the food less than satisfactory, there was not enough for everyone. They ran out

formal dance the DJ was actually warning people not to take their shoes off because several people had already cut their feet on the large amount of broken glass that was scattered across the dance floor. Furthermore, there were several stories circulating among students about alleged incidents of vandalism at the Sheraton in Boston which included beer bottles thrown through windows. There is also a rumor that someone threw a beer bottle out of a window from the 25th floor which landed on a car in the Valet parking area. The damage caused by our class is rumored to be as high as several thousand dollars. (You can bet that the Sheraton, like the Marriot, will never invite PC back for JRW.)

Some claim that the vandalism was the result of too many drunken students. The real reason for all of the vandalism was that a small minority of the students at JRW thought it would be cool to act like obnoxious punks, and they did. Apparently they were brought up to be spoiled brats getting away with everything their whole lives and they didn't expect JRW to be any different. There is nothing wrong with having a good time but when that includes smashing beer bottles on the dance floor, it gets in the way of everyone else who is trying to have a good time.

If the administration is serious about wanting to improve PC's public image then it might consider starting with JRW. Next year

they should consider making a few changes to ensure that the same amount of vandalism does not happen again. Instead of selling bottles of beer they should sell cans. This way there will not be as much broken glass. They ought to have anyone who is acting rowdy kicked out and have all those kicked out pay for the all damages done over

the weekend. This would deter more people from getting out of hand and it would keep those who are getting out of hand away from everyone else. Since the administration is willing to pay for overtime police officers to patrol the off-campus area on the weekends, they should have no problem with hiring some for security at JRW.

You would think that juniors would be mature young adults that do not need a baby-sitter.

the junior class received their rings at a Mass held on campus the Thursday night before the weekend. Juniors who were not going to JRW were at least able to easily attend the Mass and share in the event with their classmates. This year the Mass was not held until Sunday morning in Boston. Not only were most people disappointed that we did not get our rings until the weekend was over, juniors who were not going to JRW but wanted to receive their rings

of food before half of the people were served. As a result many of the people who paid \$12 for the bus and brunch did not get anything to eat.

The most glaring problem we faced this weekend was the rowdiness of some of our classmates. You would think that by junior year of college most people would be mature young adults that do not need a baby-sitter. Apparently, however, there are several in our class who do need one. At the



Politics as Usual

by Jay Spinola '96
Editorial Writer

President Clinton has already vetoed a bill that would allow the United States' government to avoid a temporary shut down. He has also threatened to veto a new bill that would provide the temporary authority needed to permit government agencies to operate until a permanent budget can be agreed upon. Since the President followed through on his veto, all non-essential government organizations were closed on Tuesday, November 14.

While the temporary shutting down of particular government agencies will have no immediate detrimental effects, American politicians are engaging in a dangerous political game. The first bill vetoed by Clinton killed legislation that would have expanded the Federal debt limit. This action holds dangerous consequences, as it may serve to ignite anxieties over potential default on government bonds. While the United States presently has adequate means to assure bond security for a few weeks, the threat of default may rile securities markets, which could have long-term detrimental effects on the American economy.

This problem could have been easily avoided if the Republican dominated Congress and the President did not insist on playing politics as usual. Both Republicans and Democrats realize that their actions will weigh heavily on the 1996 Presidential election. Thus,

both factions are trying desperately to implement previous promises made to the American people. The Republicans have pledged to balance the budget in seven years. This is admittedly an admirable goal. However, the Republican party has tried to coerce the president into accepting such legislation by attaching it to the bill intended to keep the government in operation. This type of political maneuvering is deplorable when it threatens to layoff 800,000 government employees.

reduced across the board, this is not an unfair sacrifice to ask Medicare users to make. Yet Clinton uses this justification to avoid angering the elderly's powerful political lobby.

Republicans and Democrats need to find an alternative to the constant blaming of each other for their own ineptitude. They need to come together and negotiate in good faith. The possibility of laying off hundreds of thousands of government workers is a serious concern, and it must be dealt with

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The President is also not without fault on this issue. Clinton has stated that the continuing budget resolution (which would keep government agencies in operation) must also be vetoed. The primary reason he gives for this action is to prevent a rise in Medicare premiums. Although the nominal raise may effect elderly people on limited budgets, it is not an extremely harsh course of action. At a time when funding for government programs will be drastically

utilizing open minds, not political maneuvers. There is no reason an acceptable compromise cannot be achieved if the parties set aside petty differences in order to do what is right for the country as a whole. Speaker Newt Gingrich has stated, "We were elected to change politics as usual." Perhaps both parties should listen to the platitudes they thrust upon the American public and act on the rhetoric we are supposed to believe in.

Hooters Guys?!

by Vera Schomer '96
Editorials Editor

Hooters may never be the same. An ongoing dispute between the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Hooters of America, Inc. has led to a federal mandate requiring the restaurant chain, famous for its scantily clad female waitresses, to hire male waiters.

The EEOC case stemmed from a lawsuit filed in Chicago by four men who didn't make the Hooters cut. One must wonder why men would apply to be waiters in an all female waitressing restaurant, but regardless of their reasons, the EEOC had a responsibility to settle the dispute.

Settling an employment discrimination case with Hooters may seem frivolous when our government has many more pressing problems to address. It seems that the EEOC is wasting tax dollars on an insignificant case while ignoring more severe cases of discrimination. But the fact is, the case was brought to their attention and they could not ignore it.

A full page Hooters ad in *USA Today* featured a grizzly male with a blond wig, bustline, and a full Hooters Girl getup. In one hand he carried a plate of Hooters' famous wings; in the other, a card

saying "Washington - Get A Grip!" It claimed that "excessive government interference threatens Hooters' business and the jobs of more than 13,000 employees. Taking away jobs from Hooters girls to hire men is unfair and just plain ridiculous."

Although their concern is legitimate, I don't think the EEOC mandate will create the adverse effects that they describe. If customers do not like having male waiters, they will either voice their dissatisfaction, refuse the waiter's service, or tip poorly. In time, the men will be forced out of their jobs based on simple economics rather than on managerial decisions.

If men are hired, I expect that they will be held to the same standards as the female waitresses. They should have to wear skimpy, alluring clothing, and cater to the wants and remarks of the public. Ideally, if the essence of Hooters' business is sex appeal, male waiters shouldn't hurt; they should add to the universality of the appeal and bring in a larger variety of customers.

In fact, the recent publicity surrounding this case will surely create more curious clientele for the chain that has grown from 137 to 172 restaurants in one year, with 63 more restaurants on the way.

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Jesus is the Reason for the Season

by Kristen Martineau '98
Editorial Writer

It's that time of year again. The hustle and bustle of never-ending shopping has begun. Last weekend I was strolling through the mall and could not help but chuckle at the fact that the mall was already fully decorated with Christmas paraphernalia. From a Christmas tree in the center of the mall, to bags that say "Merry Clinique" at the make-up counter, it was evident that the Christmas shopping season was in full force.

Each year it seems that retailers begin decorating, advertising, and promoting earlier and earlier. Maybe it's just that I'm getting older and realizing these things more and more. For goodness sake, it is not even Thanksgiving, and people are preparing for Christmas! I guess that's how it goes, but it really leads one to question the real meaning of the holiday season that celebrates the birth of Christ.

When I was younger, I remember my father saying how he preferred Thanksgiving over Christmas. I recall thinking to myself, is he crazy? Thanksgiving is a time to eat and visit relatives. Christmas is a time for gifts. Recently, I've been thinking a lot about what he said, and I think I am more inclined to agree with my father now. Thanksgiving is the only holiday that has not been corrupted by manic retailers and mall-goers. It is simply a time to gather as a family and give thanks for our many blessings. I know I

have much to be thankful for. It is the little things that make you realize as you get older how lucky you are. Family and friends to help you through the good times and bad is one example.

Christmas is a wonderful time of year as well. Sometimes I wish everyone would quit being so concerned with what to get Aunt Bertha who is in a nursing home and doesn't need anything; anything material that is. Visiting and spending quality time with a loved one means so much more than money could ever buy.

In the midst of all of our craziness, we need to sit back and reflect on the true meaning of the holiday season. Isn't it hypocritical to push and shove through a hundred people just to make sure you get the last Power Ranger doll that your little brother really wants? While the intention is good, how many people are being trampled on in the process? At one time or another, we are all guilty of not respecting those around us. Whether or not we consciously mean to, many of us are overly concerned with buying the best present to make sure we look good.

This holiday season I'm taking a different approach. Family, friends, and good times are most important. The commercialization of Christmas will never change, but our attitudes can. Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks, and Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of Christ. We should celebrate with those that mean the most to us. Everything else is secondary.

Taxes and The Middle Class Mind

by Beth Danesco '96
Editorial Writer

You can learn a lot about a country from its tax plan. In countries practicing free speech and democracy, the debate surrounding the formation of a tax plan can also be quite revealing. The current battle between Democrats and Republicans over who will pay what and why offers observers a great deal of insight into American politics and values. The view is not very flattering.

cies of the Republicans are nothing new. But their actions in tax plan forming season highlight some very interesting American attitudes.

Why have the Democrats been playing the this-plan-is-bad-for-the-middle-class card so often? The Democrats know that the primary question on the mind of the American voter is not "Does this harm the poor, or any other segment of society?" but "what's in this thing for me?" Even though the plan really does hurt the poor, Democrats rarely address this fact be-

ing on the second fear in order to block the Republican tax plan. Some may look at politicians who manipulate anxiety in this way and call them shameful. Some of the shame must go also to the constituents who have become so obsessed with self-interest that they have allowed paranoia to deep-root itself into our nation's politics.

Why do the Republicans often target the poor with cuts? First, they do so because they can. Republicans know the poor often do not vote. They know the poor do not have the funds to rally in defense of their own interests. The working poor are the demographic group of least resistance, least consequence, and least risk. More to the point, Republicans know what Democrats know: most people who are not among the working poor are not going to make much of a fuss if the working poor get the shaft.

The plans of attack espoused by both Republicans and Democrats fighting for a new tax package try to push all the right buttons in the psyche of the American middle class. Both sides cater to the concerns and fears of the middle class, both address what the rich will get out of the deal, but neither bring up the status of the working poor. Politicians know that the middle class does not have the working poor on its mind when it is considering taxes, or much else.

You can learn a lot about a country from its tax plan.

When it comes to taxes, people care only about what is in it for them.

According to the latest CNN figures, the Republican tax plan offers 40% of its benefits to those making over \$75,000 a year and the other 60% to the middle class. The twelve million people known as the "working poor" get no breaks, but they do lose their earned income tax credit. These numbers indicate two things: first the Republicans are right - this tax plan is not anti-middle class; second, the Democrats are right - the Republicans have no qualms about sacking the poor. The exaggeration tactics of the Democrats and the visogothic tenden-

cause the middle class and wealthy voters will not be swayed to action given this knowledge.

The Democrats have also seized upon a fear that reigns supreme in many middle class American hearts; the rich are getting a sweetheart deal from Republicans. The twin fear is that the poor are getting the preferential treatment. The Republicans capitalized on that second fear earlier when they were trying to pass their welfare reform (though a look at the facts and figures of the welfare mess would have been sufficiently scary). Now Democrats are play-

Race Should Not Be a Factor

by Amy M. Rodrigues '97
Editorial Writer

Surprise, surprise. Colin Powell is not running for presidential office. Of course he won't. Anyone in their right mind would not throw themselves into the ring of national politics with such a deep and exorbitant price hanging over one's head. Powell the first seriously competent black contender for the presidency in our history, expected to be the one man who can "bridge [our] nation's racial divide," obviously knew the profound and grave significance of his seeking and possibly winning the presidential election. But unlike the self-absorbed, greedy, egoist politicians that we are used to seeing, he realized that he didn't have what this country was asking for. Wow! If Powell, a man decorated in honor, service, prestige didn't have what we were essentially demanding of our first black president, who will? The expectancy we hold for our first black president is so far above the average workings of a single man, that I must wonder if we will ever see a black president raise his right hand in front of millions and recite the words we have only heard from the voice of a white man.

No matter who America's first black president is, he or she will be subjected to the highest scrutiny of political life. If Powell were elected, he would have been politically, emotionally, and morally torn apart. On the other hand,

we have just thrown away one of the most moral, decorated, intelligent, and qualified contenders for the presidency that we have seen in many, many years. Once again, we were blinded by that mere biological difference that is constantly ripping our society apart. For once, a black man was considered a serious candidate by both blacks and whites for the highest office of our land. And once again it seems that we were able to ignore all the qualifications, all the heroic war stories, all the prestigious medals, and honors, and the exem-

plary moral decency of one man; we were able to shove this all to the back of our minds and dwell on the color of his skin.

I suppose we should be proud of ourselves for not all out disqualifying Powell's potential ability to run our country. This is a feat in itself, because the sad reality is many still believe minorities are not fit to handle certain jobs in this country. But in the process of hoping and relying on Powell to solve centuries of deep racial tensions in this country, we may have lost one of the most qualified per-

sons to come into the political scene in a long while. No one knows exactly all the reasons why Powell decided not to run, or how much the "The-Great-White-Hope" felt the pressure from the American people, but the price he would pay for not living up to the great expectations and hopes of white Americans would certainly be an expensive one and a harsh deterrent for him and his family.

Since the beginning of time we have used race as an excuse, as a reason, to discriminate against others, to repress and oppress, to cre-

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ate inequalities within our world, and we have used it as a means of instituting inferiority in our workforce and in our everyday lives. So it is not surprising that we have done it again, and it has finally backfired in our faces. How can we possibly think that we can get away with such a contradiction in our country's race relations? How could white Americans hope and expect Powell, a black man, to heal the racial problems that obviously, still believed by many, to

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Partial Birth Abortions are Murder

by Christopher Roche '96
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Once again abortion is making the headlines, and once again, political interests are superseding the interests of mothers and fetuses.

The debate currently raging in the Senate is over a controversial method of late-term abortion. The method of termination in question entails a Doctor pulling a post-twenty week old fetus through the birth canal and crushing its skull. This has been called "partial birth abortion." The Republicans predictably condemn this practice, while the Democrats remain divided. Many Democrats are opposed to the bill simply because it is a threat to one of the party's mainstays, the right to choose. Those Dems feel that this bill is a surreptitious attempt by the GOP to defeat abortion from within. The Dems reason that if the GOP's bill passes, then it will weaken the Pro-Choice movement and cause

a snowball effect, thus making the movement susceptible to more hostile legislation. Furthermore, the Democratic Party has been faltering, and many observers feel that this issue could be the left-hook that sends the Dems to the canvas for good.

The Democrats are not going down without a fight on this issue. Tom Harkin, among others, is one Democrat who is astounded at this method of abortion, but the party has maintained a veil of unification. The bill has been sent to the Judiciary Committee for review, and it looks like the bill will be passed if a provision is added to exclude from the ban those mothers whose lives are threatened by the pregnancy. The end result of all this will undoubtedly be the Republicans claiming victory and the Democrats scrambling to save face.

The saddest part about this debate is that the GOP and the Dems are, once again, "taxicabbing"

abortion. The GOP senses weakness within the Democratic Party, and it has responded as if it were a pack of wolves attacking a wounded deer. The question that I am compelled to ask is, why did the Republicans not do this earlier? There is no doubt that "partial birth abortions" are barbaric, but why

but in reality, the only reason why they are doing it is because it will garner them votes thus making the party stronger. The Dems, on the other hand, have been waffling worse than Aunt Jemima. Some think the bill is good; some think it is bad, but most think it is both good and bad. The Dems are prac-

ever, I am able to realize when they have a legitimate point. "Partial birth abortions" should be banned, with the possible exception of a pregnancy that may be harmful to the mother. Nevertheless, crushing a twenty-week old fetus is slaughter, and it should be treated as homicide.

Americans point to sky-scrapers and computers as signs of progress, but when American doctors are crushing the skulls of babies it makes me wonder if any advancement has occurred. This savage method of birth-control is arguably worse than what the Ancient Greeks practiced. If they had an unwanted child, then it was placed on the side of a mountain, and its fate was to be determined by the gods. At twenty weeks a baby can survive, but doctors are not even allowing it that chance. The blood of mature fetuses is being spilled all over the operating rooms of this nation, and there is no consequence for it.

Many observers think this is the left hook that will send the Democrats to the canvas for good.

has this taken so long to reach the public? The answer is that this issue is like a political secret weapon. The Republicans were waiting for the opportune political time to use it. The Republicans try to portray themselves as morally bound to expose this ill of society,

ting political damage control. They do not want to be portrayed as bloody murderers, but at the same time they do not want to lose credibility with their loyal Pro-Choice constituents.

I am by no means an advocate of the Pro-Life movement. How-

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The publicity of this case may have far reaching consequences - some that no businesses or customers are ready to handle. It may set a precedent that could lead men to demand stripping jobs at The Foxy Lady or roles on the Rockettes. Women will seek jobs at "high class" restaurants that traditionally employ only male servers dressed in tuxedos, and they will be justified in their cause.

In addition to hiring more male waiters, the EEOC wants Hooters to change its attitude by implementing sensitivity training to incorporate the males more comfortably. I highly doubt that Hooters ever offered sensitivity training for its female employees.

The EEOC also wants the company to compensate past male "victims" of its hiring policies with a whopping \$22 million. Does that

I expect that men will be held to the same sex appeal standard as the female waitresses.

Equal employment in moderate skill jobs will truly reach a peak when people are hired that lack the "equipment" necessary to continue a business' trademark. Perhaps modeling agencies will be mandated to hire unattractive people, and airlines, overweight flight attendants. This truly seems like the start of a revolution that will abuse the services of our regulatory government.

mean that women and minorities will soon get a check in the mail from every other capitalist business in the nation that took part in decades of institutionalized discrimination? My mailbox is still empty.

Our tax dollars are being spent to determine the fate of a business that relies on female breasts. That is a far cry from welfare and Medicare issues. So what gives?



Race Factor

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be rooted in the black race? What did we think? Just because Powell shared one similarity with the rest of the black race; his skin color, that he would be able to wave his magic wand and set these black folks straight? It is time to realize that the problem does not lie with a race that has been tormented and oppressed by policies and ideas that our forefathers created. We do not need a black man in the presidential office to urge the black race to shape up. We need a qualified, honest, intelligent person, regardless of their color, to help shape this whole country, black and white, into unprejudiced, moral decency. However, it will certainly take more than one exemplary black or white man to overcome and correct what has been implanted through centuries of institutionalized hate.

So right now we should all be kicking ourselves for missing our chance at a decent human being finally living in the White House. It is so unfortunate when we Americans finally agree and acknowledge the accomplishments of a deserving person who expresses interest in leading our country into the Twenty-First century, can only dwell not on the man, but on the color of the man's skin. And in so doing, we have missed the opportunity of being led by an impeccable person, because our standards and hopes of solving our racial problems are just too large for one man alone. When will we realize either way that race cannot and should not determine the basis for those who lead us, and those who live and work among us?

NonWestern Courses Are Beneficial

To the Editor,

Since *The Cowl* (11/2/95) welcomes any feedback, positive or negative, about the Top Ten "Must Take" courses at Providence College, I wish to express my joy that the survey chose Dr. Michael V. Metallo's course in the "Far East in Modern Times" as number two.

I strongly recommend that any course Dr. Metallo teaches is worth the registration. He is by far "the best" teacher that I had as an undergraduate and graduate student at PC. I had courses in Modern China and Modern Japan in grad school that did not run in the classroom because they did not obtain a quorum of five students. Dr. Metallo allowed me to take both courses in his office on his own

time. He guided me when I did my grad. thesis in non-western history on Clarence Gauss, U.S. Ambassador to China, 1941-45. Every week I would bring research material on my thesis, for his approval, to his office. He would drop what he was doing and focus his attention on me and my material. He was never too busy for me and taught this old man that history is "interpretation."

Since history, and particularly the history of the recent past, is neither "bunk" nor an intellectual form of stamp-collecting, but an indispensable part of an educated person's approach to life, I strongly recommend that all PC students matriculate a course on the Pacific Basin: A history of for-

eign relations of the Asian, Australian and American Rim states and the Pacific Islands. Dr. Metallo's courses in the East Asian history will benefit you immensely.

Again, Dr. Metallo was not only my favorite and best teacher at Providence College, I regard him as a good, decent human being, and I always look forward to conversing with him on campus. Incidentally, for my diligent work studies in nonWestern History, I received six A's and a B+ from Dr. Metallo.

Most Sincerely,
Russell P. Demoe '73

PTERODACTYL Sightings at Brown

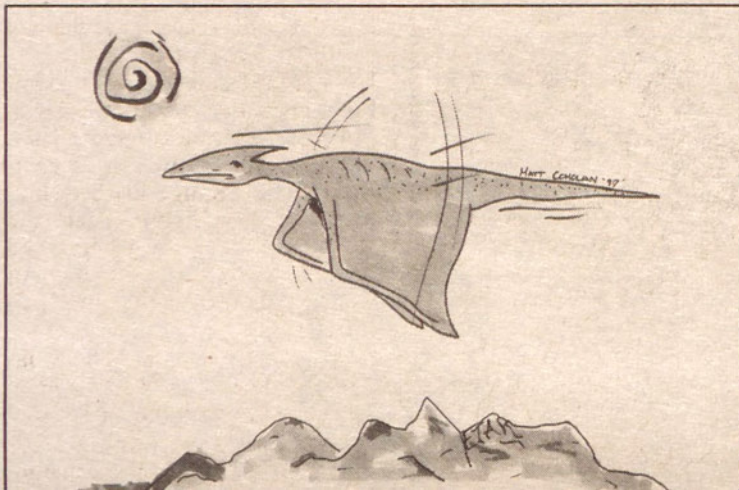
by Renet M.A. Ladocsi '96
A&E Editor

The Brown University Theatre presented its fourth performance this season with Nicky Silver's *Pterodactyls*. This play addresses very real, contemporary problems with a very bizarre, humorous, yet moving and poignant style. In general, the play deals with everything from AIDS and homosexuality to incest, molestation and Electra complexes. *Pterodactyls* revolves around the return of an AIDS

of denial," says Silver.

Silver characterizes the twentieth century by comparing it to a species which died out 20 million years ago. *Pterodactyls* draws a parallel between our society with that of the dinosaurs. Toward the end of the play Silver writes "[the dinosaurs] loved their young and flourished until they ceased to live." Here, Silver is making a direct and angry statement regarding our apathy toward the AIDS epidemic. We cannot allow our civilization to 'go the way of the dinosaurs' so to speak. We have to act now.

There are two threads, compassion and lunacy, which run throughout the script. It is important to be sensitive to both these



stricken family member, Todd Duncan.

The Duncan family epitomizes the word 'dysfunctional' with an alcoholic mother, absent minded daughter and an adulterous father. Todd returns to their lives with news that he is HIV positive. The play is another addition into the American genre of the AIDS play. However, Silver has a slightly different approach in how he feels about AIDS dramas and their tendency to be sympathy driven. "I didn't feel sentimental. I felt angry. It [is] very clear to me that not AIDS itself, but society's ignoring AIDS, [that is] the problem. *Pterodactyls* is about the price

extremes when watching and performing this play. Lines can vary from being seriously depressing to being tremendously satirical in any one particular scene. It is gravely important to be sensitive to both in order to fully grasp all that Silver has invested in the play. He forces us to address serious contemporary issues, but does so in such a way that we won't become overly dysfunctional ourselves.

The Brown University production matches Silver's challenge by portraying their roles with an outrageous, laughable sensitivity.

Pterodactyls will be performed until the 19th of November at the Brown University Leeds Theatre.

Bad Band Boogie

by Michael Sablone '98
A&E Writer

In a music world run by Nirvana wannabe's screaming about how they are rats in a cage, gansta rappers talking about what it's like to live in

Compton (Louisiana), and other fake big hair bands screaming about unskiny bopping, it's nice to take a break from the norm and get back to basics.

That pretty much sums up the philosophy of the Bad Band, a local sextet from Providence. Their brand new CD, *Makin' Bad Good*, released by Big Noise records, proudly proclaims to be an escape from the "ear-splitting" music of today's saturated market.

The Bad Band's music is definitely not ear-splitting. Their sound is primarily country composed of three guitarists, lead and back-up vocals, bass, keyboards



The only time that the rhythm section is heard is on the bass driven third track, *The Crush*.

The Crush is, musically, one of the standout songs on *Makin' Bad Good*. The Bad Band is fine musically but lyrically they leave something to be desired. The lyr-

away/I'll send you a postcard every other day/Just to prove I ain't crazy." As you can see, these are not your usual rock lyrics.

Vic's vocals rubbed me the wrong way, basically because of his voice. This is a major problem when it comes to enjoying music. It sounded like he was sucking in his air on most songs, causing his vocals to appear choppy and short. The exception is on *Gato Negro*, an impressive eight-and-a-half minute soundscape.

The Bad Band's sound probably won't sit well with members of our generation and geographical area. The CD itself is marketed to the baby boomers, or anyone who "has to get home before the sitter discovers your secret stash of Oreos." Even though the average college student cares more about their roommate stealing their Oreos than the baby-sitter, you might find it surprisingly entertaining. The music is better than average and if you can live with the lyrics then I'd suggest buying it just to get away from the norm. When you think about it there really is only so much you can take of angry white females chanting about what you oughta know.

***Makin' Bad Good* proudly proclaims to be an escape from the "ear-splitting" music of today's saturated market.**

and drums. It's produced by one of the lead vocalists, Vin Pasternak. The production flows very well, but the problem with this record does not lie in the production. It lies with the music itself—it's too busy.

Let me clarify myself. In most of the nine songs on the album, there are three people playing guitar at once during the chorus. That is simply too much music when combined with drums, keyboards, bass and vocals. The drumming gets lost in the mix in most songs.

ics range from campy to about as peppy as country music can get; it all depends on who's writing the songs. Pasternak and Jerry Balshunas share song writing. The general rule seems to be "you write it, you sing it," with Pasternak providing lead vocals on his three songs and Balshunas singing the other six. Balshunas vocals are traditional fare and his lyrics usually are silly.

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Indecent Exposure At the Strand with 311

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

By the time 311's opening band, The Urge, left the stage, the crowd at the Strand on November 12, was about ready to hear the ticket's headliner. The sauna like heat of the hall was a welcome change from the bitter cold night outside in which hundreds of fans massed like some unruly barbarian horde, waiting to be admitted.

A quintet from St. Louis, Missouri, the Urge kicked off the show at about 9:30, playing a 45 minute set of loud beats that most likely left the neighbors complaining. I was at first delighted to see a sax and a trombone player, but disappointed after I realized I had mistaken this group as a Ska band based on their appearance alone. In actuality, the horn section had little playing time, and for the majority of the set, bounced around on stage like a pair of toddlers peaking on an intense Nestle's Crunch Bar induced high. The bassist looked and acted like something out of Green Day — flamboyant, yet oh so grotesque. The drummer was skilled, and the dread-locked vocalist brought a razor sharp lyrical aspect to the



ist P-Nut, and SA Martinez who does vocals and turntable work. "311" being the police dispatch code for indecent exposure, the band often jokingly hints that the name comes from a long past episode involving a twilight dip in a public pool without regulation swimwear.

311 first originated in the near geocentric city of the country, Omaha, Nebraska, but the band later relocated to Los Angeles,

track assembly of hard-hitting urban rock songs, full of power chords, most of which barely reaching three minutes long. SA Martinez explains that the title comes from the fact that the band believes the current release exemplifies 311's evolution over the last several years. The band has also gained prestige with two new tracks, found on the *National Lampoon's Senior Trip* soundtrack and on the *Hempilation* album.

scribed by Hexum as being "disco." Rocking the building with tunes from the first two records, such as *Lucky*, *Do You Right* ("The Happy Slam Dance Song," commented Hexum), *Freak Out*, *Hydroponic*, and *Omaha Stylee*. 311 also played newer songs such as *Down*, *All Mixed Up*, and *Jackolantern's Weather*. The show climaxed with a drawn-out version of *Unity*, in which all the fans, even the squeamish delicate types in the back, found themselves pushing forward and slamming into one another.

Creating a fusion of hard rock and hip hop with a pinch of reggae to stir it up, 311 will kick off a North American tour in late December, opening for Lenny Kravitz in twenty-five cities, then continuing their own tour well into 1996. In addition, the band has also made a video for the track *Don't Stay Home*, currently in rotation on MTV's *Alternative Nation*.

Simply stated, the show was killer. I thoroughly enjoyed both the Urge's and 311's performances. However, a damper was put on my experience when I was attempting to make it backstage. Having infiltrated through all levels except the highest echelon of backstage security, I was shivering with excitement over the anticipation of going backstage. Then, some jerk-of-a-roadie laughed at me when I told him what newspaper I represented, and told me to leave the backstage area.

311 explains vocally, "I got a clique / but it's more like a family." As 311 continues to travel the nation, they are ever increasing this extended family, and picking up their support grassroots style.

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show, pleasing the crowd with sampled renditions of Snoop Doggy Dogg's *Gin and Juice*, and the Beastie Boys' *Rhyming and Stealin'*. The style of the Urge was like-minded with 311: a rich blend of rap, rock and reggae.

Drawing influence from a variety of sources, such as hip-hop, reggae, jazz, funk, great guitarists like Jerry Garcia, Eric Clapton and Carlos Santana, as well as experimental acts like Ween and Beck, 311 cuts a show that causes the audience to involuntarily groove with the beat and slam into their fellow humans in the mosh pit. A five man operation, 311 is composed of Nick Hexum, the lead vocalist and sometimes rhythm guitarist, drummer Chad Sexton, lead guitarist Tim Mahoney, bass-

where they embarked on a series of nationwide tours. With little to no radio or television attention, 311 has gained its popularity by the cultivation of grassroots support and word of mouth. Hexum explains that 311 simply wants to tour until "infinity," drawing a comparison to the Grateful Dead.

Often associated with California's skateboarding and snow boarding scenes, 311 has three records out. The debut album's title, *Music*, reflects the band's desire to make rap more musically oriented. Seemingly vaccinated from the sophomore slump virus, 311's second album, *Grassroots*, was meant to capture the energy of their live shows. The latest, self-titled *311*, was released in August, 1995, and is a fourteen

The band's main vibe comes from their live shows, and this was no exception. The moshing crowd raised the concert hall's temperature to nuclear fusion-like levels. As soon as the opening chords were strummed, the crowd turned into one furious slam dancing beast, living up to the rough reputation 311 crowds have developed. At least a dozen fans were forcefully removed from the show for violently acting up in the crowd, and tens more found themselves floating above the crowd, being passed in a manner which was not always welcome.

Dipping into their three-record well, 311 incorporated favored songs from all of their releases. In addition, they played an unreleased track which was de-

The New Student Organization

The Friar's Cell

by Renet M.A. Ladocsi '96
A&E Editor

For all of us who have felt the desire to see more student run-productions, F. Michael Scafati and fellow members of the theatre department have answered the call with The Friar's Cell.

For the last few years, student-run productions have been shown in St. Catherine of Siena Hall. Shows, such as Satre's *No Exit* performed last Spring, have been limited in terms of lighting, stage and audience space, acoustics and overall technology. Funding for such performances has come from the Board of Programmers, not the Theatre Department. There has been an overall need for an organization that both students as well as Blackfriars agree with and support. Students therefore came together to create what was originally referred to as Blackfriars 2, and what is now called The Friar's Cell.

The Friar's Cell differs from the outdated underground student theatre organization Rorschach, because it will perform anything, without limiting itself to original works. It is a highly organized pilot program which includes more of PC's drama oriented persons.

Members, which include Theatre majors and minors, as well as anyone else interested, seek a more intimate setting for their performances. They are looking for complete student autonomy over the entire production of a stage performance. Students control everything from choice of play, to set design and construction, costume, lighting and auditions. This professional approach to student organized productions leads to greater student creativity and more opportunities for them to explore other areas of interest.

They also seek college recognition in that they be seen as the student equivalent to the Blackfriars Theatre. At the end of two years, the organization will be evaluated by both students and faculty for permanent acceptance. In the meantime, The Friar's Cell has equal access to the Blackfriars Theatre stage and its workshops.

However, The Friar's Cell does not stand entirely alone. Under the open supervision of Fr. Powell, producing members of The Friars Cell are able to approach him with any concerns they may have or have or advice they may need. Fr. Powell will act as moderator/mentor for the coming production of *The Odd Couple*. Next semester, it will be moderated by David Cabral.

The Friar's Cell will present its debut performance of Neil Simon's *The Odd Couple* on November 30th in the Blackfriars Theatre.

John Woo?

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

When discussing a few films by Tarantino, a friend of mine mentioned the name John Woo. "Who is John Woo?" I wondered. Supposedly back in the days when Tarantino was working in movies, I mean movie stores, he came upon an Asian film director, John Woo. Rumor has it that Woo inspired many of Tarantino's most memorable scenes. Such as the scene in "Reservoir Dogs" where everyone has the guns pointed at one another, ready to blow each other away, which is also used in "True Romance" during the drug deal. That is right, those all came from a movie called "The Killer" by John Woo. Scenes from "The Killer" can even be seen in the movie "True Romance" along with many other Woo films.

So why have we not heard of this guy before? Well, Woo tends to stick to movies made for Asian audiences and so far has only done one film in America ("Hard Target" with Van Damme), which did not do as well as his other films. His movies are not exactly easy to come by either, you will not find his movies in Major Video. However, there is hope. A number of movie retailers have some of his works in stock. Often times if you ask any of the clerks about Woo, they will tell you that they usually have his stuff, but it sells quickly. If by chance you come across one of his films, check to see if it has subtitles or if it is dubbed. I recommend subtitles (translated from Cantonese) because I saw one of his films once dubbed and then, later, with subtitles and the dubbed one had a lot of the sound track missing from it, which of course lessens the viewing pleasure.

Rumor has it, however, that Tarantino's dream is to collaborate with Woo on an American film. So far that has remained a rumor, and as to whether or not anything has been done to try make his dream a reality is unknown as of yet. Tarantino has mentioned that he wants to get Chow Yun-Fat (the star in practically all of Woo's films) to come and star in one of his own films and, rumor has it, was turned down by the action star of contemporary action films.

For so much talk about one director one has to wonder what his movies are like? Well, fortunately I have had the pleasure of watching two of his movies and have seen the previews to another. The first movie, which many of us have probably seen, was "Hard Target." Not exactly a great American debut for Woo and I think it was a very bad choice to use Van Damme, but it was not too bad when compared to some of the other action films which were out at the time. Don't let it get you discouraged. From what I have seen "Hard Target" was a far cry from the other film I saw (and now own) "Hard Boiled."

"Hard Boiled" came out after the stinker "Hard Target" and proved that Woo was able to pick himself up again after a bad mistake. "Hard Boiled" is 126 minutes of non-stop action. The story is incredible, you hardly even know half of the characters names until you are a quarter of the way through the movie and when you finally do, you are not sure whose side they are on. The camera angles are amazing. You won't believe your eyes when you see

some of the things Woo pulls off, and pulls off well. Such shots include motorcycle stunts, people diving through exploding cars, close-ups, strange angles to shoot from, etc.

From what I have seen, including a preview of "The Killer" which I saw before viewing "Hard Boiled," Woo's films are pure intensity. Contemporary viewers may find his work a little to extreme, but is there such a thing in film? Two hours of one of Woo's films and you might wonder "Why the hell aren't all action movies like this?" With the right amount of philosophy, humor, awesome camera work, and an abundance of

action, John Woo has made himself a spot on the top shelf of my movie library.

John Woo's film, "Hard Boiled," had a number of comments on the back of the box which included such quotables as, "John Woo- The best director of contemporary action films working anywhere," from L.A. times and "Takes viewers through the roof and out of this world," from N.Y. Daily News. But, I like to think of Woo's "Hard Boiled" as an other explosive film of his which takes the viewer into a spiral of into a world of gun-smugglers who will stop at nothing for power, an undercover cop torn between his

identities of cop and gangster, and a die hard cop whose vengeance for his partner's death takes him right in the middle of a very dangerous Hong-Kong, where only a few know who is on whose side.

Of course Woo uses Chow Yun-Fat to play the die hard, Tequila. Chow has played the main roles in most of Woo's films and is used as a sort of Clint Eastwood, Rambo, done Asian style figure, which ends up working better than you would expect. The character is constantly diving over things, blasting away with two guns in each hand, mowing down uncountable numbers of villains, with a tooth pick in his mouth, and

all along doing it with such fluid motion that it looks as if it had jump right out of a comic book and onto a big screen.

At present, John Woo is one of the best and most under-rated (by the public) action director anywhere. With the box office ratings for action films always going through the roof in America, I hope that American audiences can prepare themselves for a possible invasion by Woo in the future and vice versa. I think the key for Woo's success, if he so chooses to do another film in America, is to not Americanize his style of story telling, cinematography, and characters, like he did in "Hard Target."



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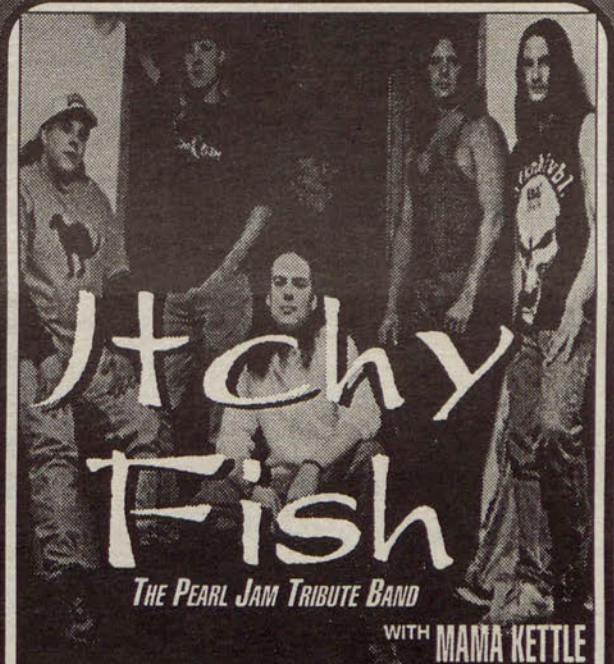
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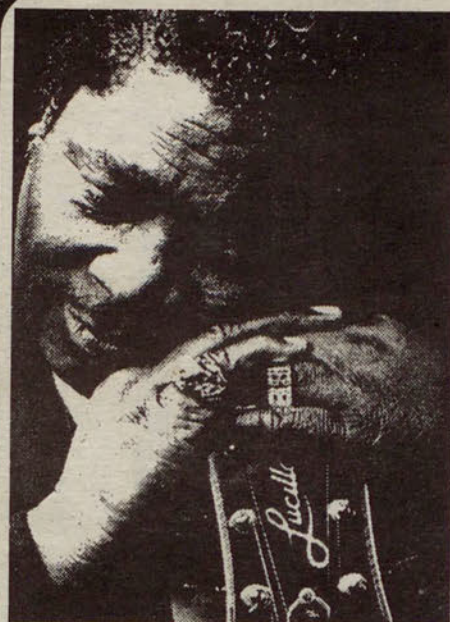
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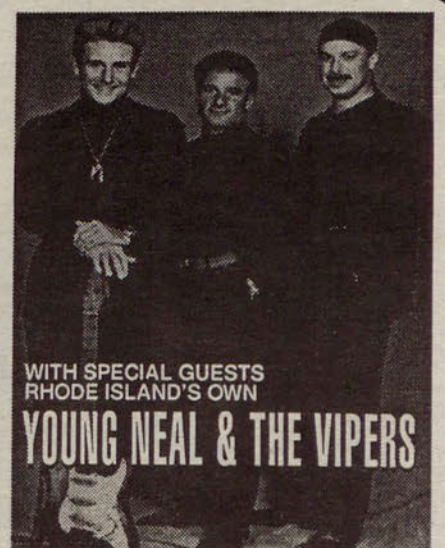
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Tuesday, November 21st.....	8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
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9:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

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Darlene Zagaroli, '96

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Between Disruption in Rhythm and
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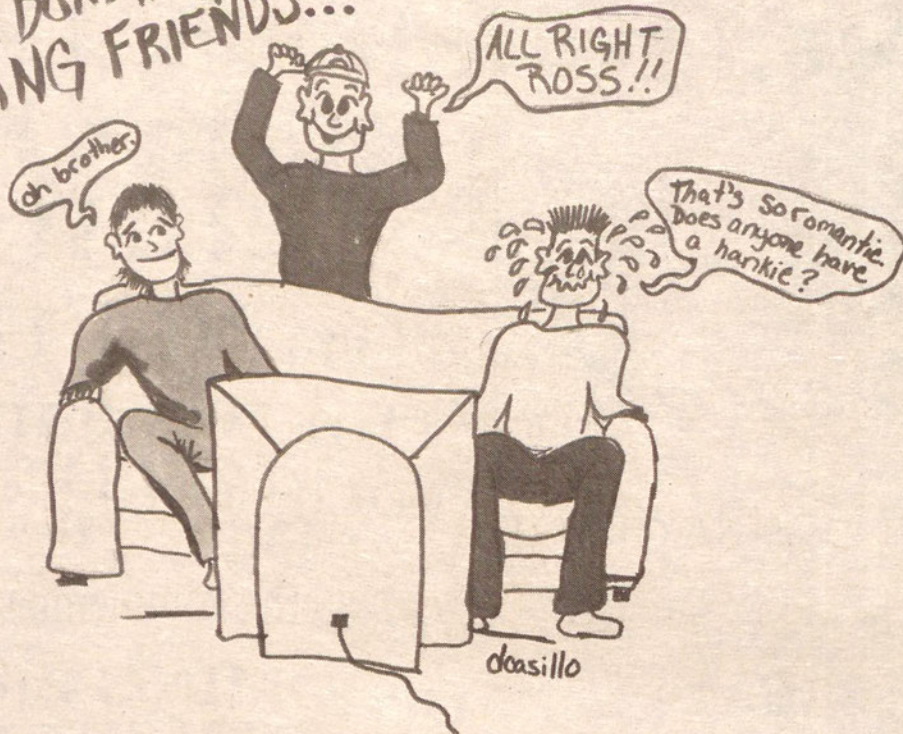
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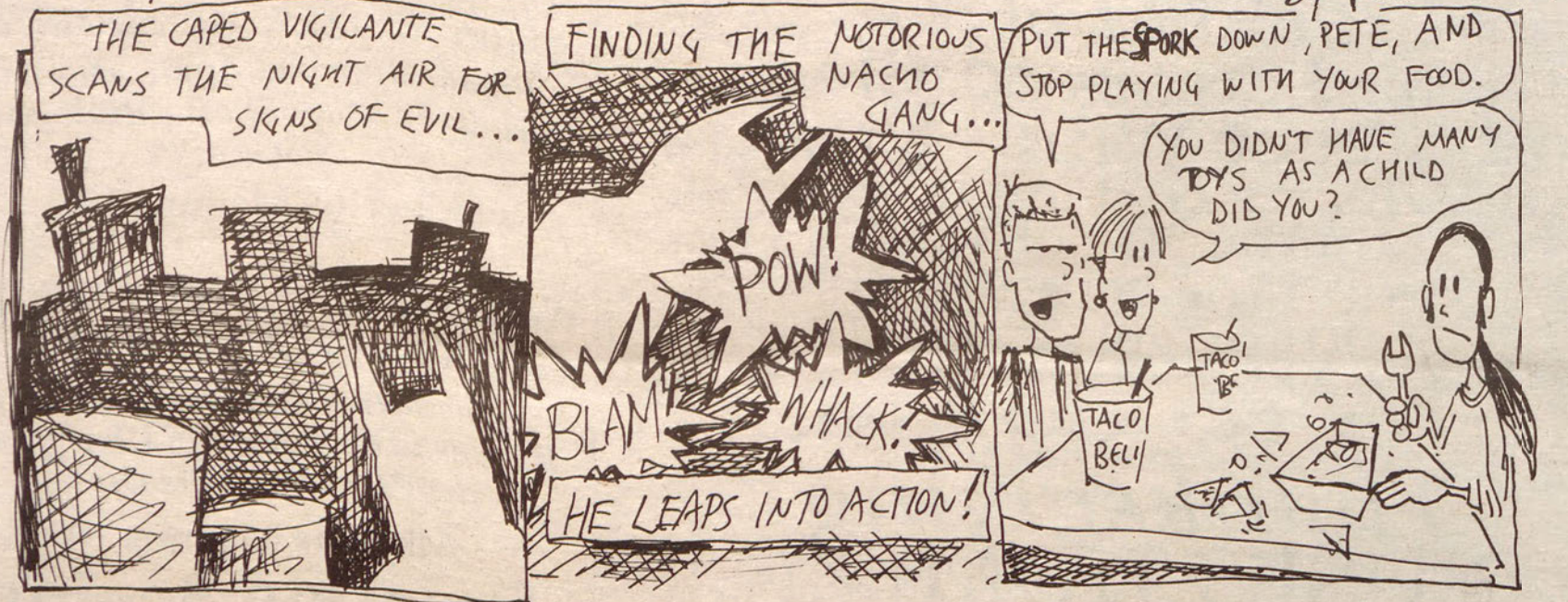
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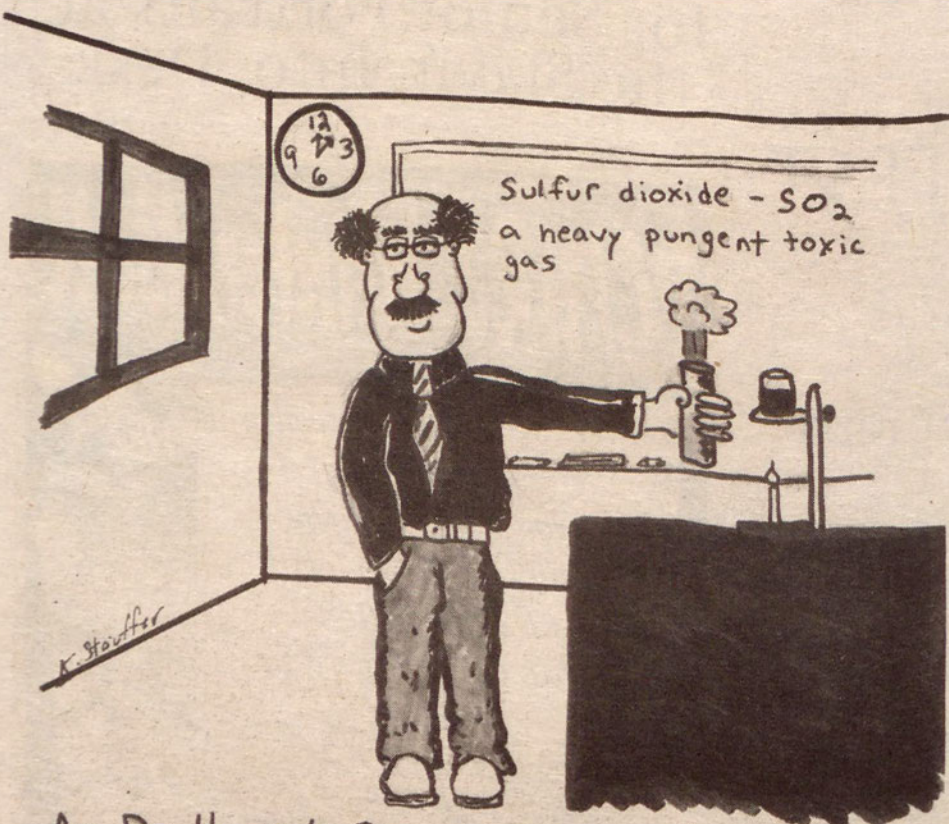
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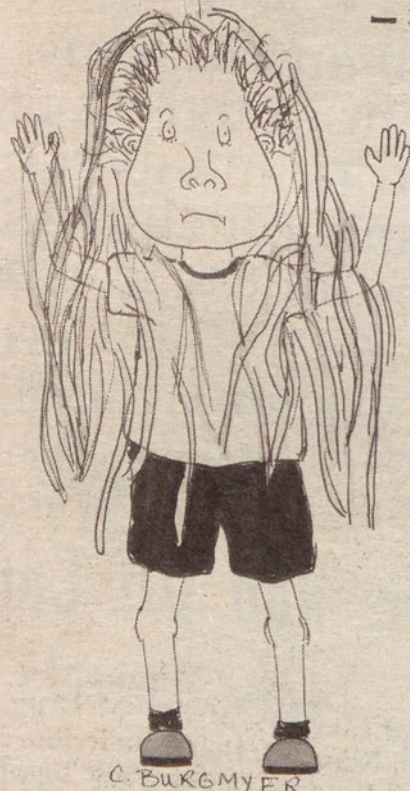
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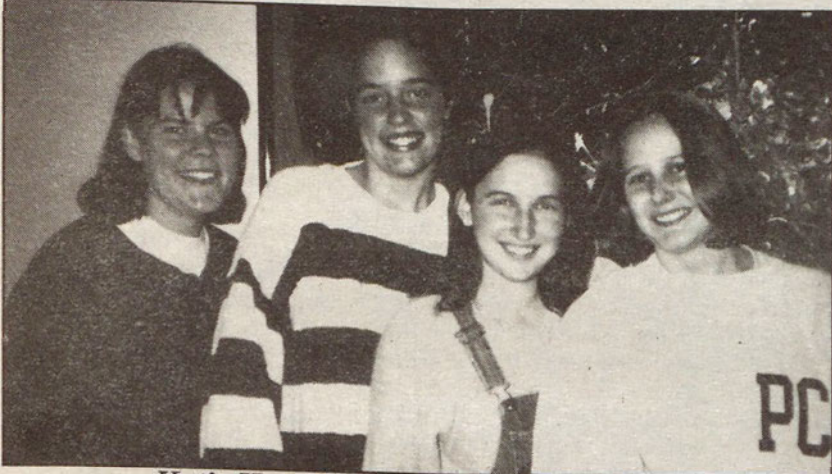
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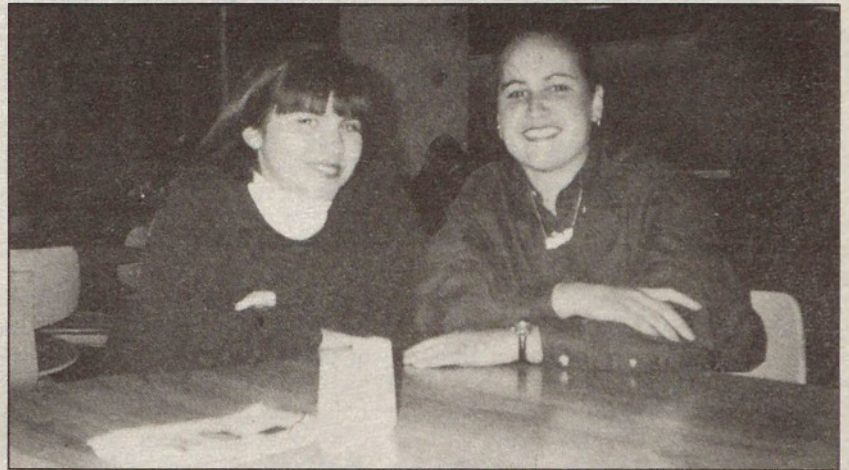
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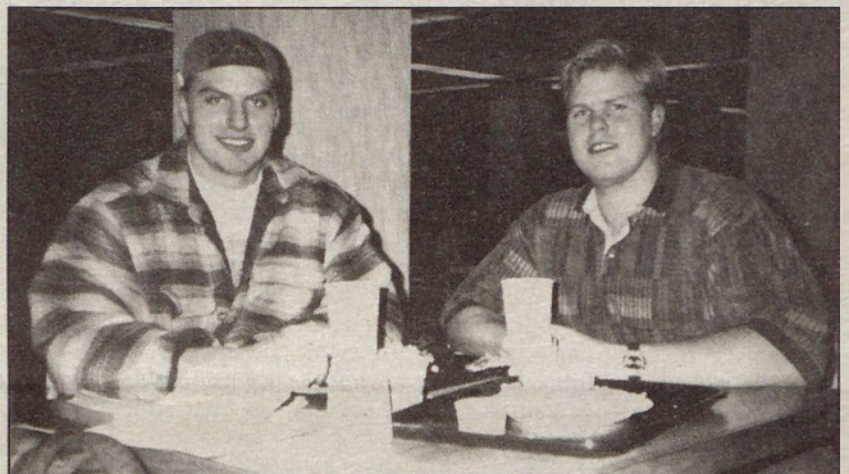
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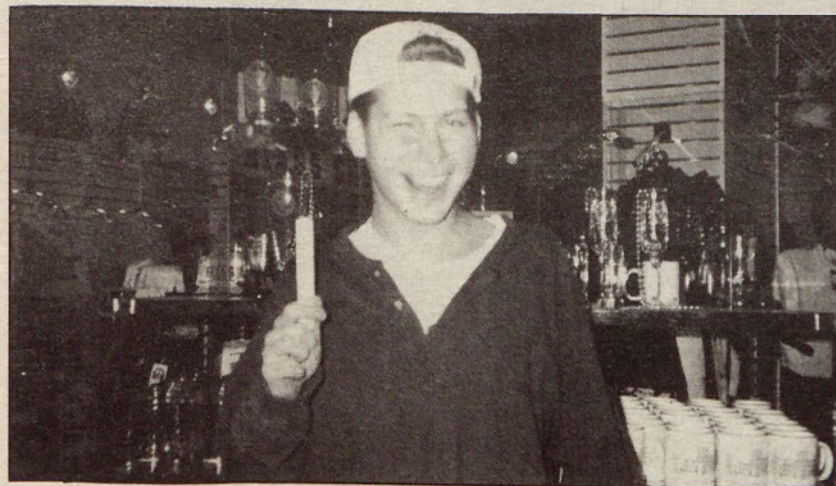
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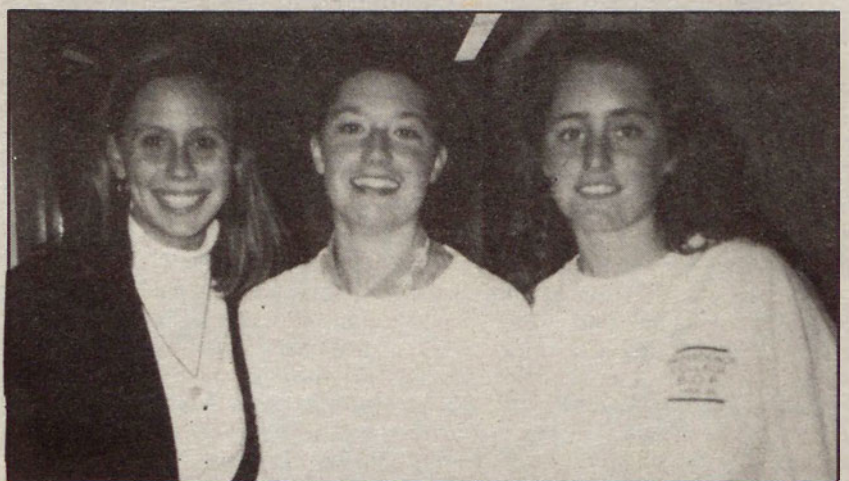
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by Jeffrey Komanetsky '98
Features Writer

America loves sports. That is no secret. They play, and we watch whatever they play. Yet, do we sport lovers have any say in how the game is played or even which game is played? Heck no. Should the rich and talented guys always get to make the rules? Heck no! Are we spectators just supposed to sit on the sidelines and watch? Well...yes, but it's fun to sit back and think about what today's world of sports would be like if the sensible spectator had his say in how games are played and even which games are played.

One sport that the common American would quickly revise is hockey. Although the game actually needs no improvement, the American people would surely gain interest if a few simple changes were instituted. One possible area of change could be the goalie. This position is played by a person with cat like reflexes who scrambles to stop the puck from entering the goal. The common American has the solution. Certainly the position would be more properly filled by a person of such enormity that the goal would be completely secured by body fat. So take the obese man who spends his days talking to Richard Simmons and Oprah about their problems-while munching on a Fred Flintstone size rack of ribs for a snack, and make him an NHL all-star! As he hitches a ride to the goal from the zamboni and sits quietly as pucks rebound from his massive body at the speed of light, the crowd will cheer and hockey will certainly see a boost in ratings.

Swimming could also use some revamping in order to establish it-

self as a major spectator sport. Here you have these incredibly fit swimmers, who obviously have a talent for swimming, and they get to swim back and forth unobstructed. The American people want more. Why not change a few things to add some spice to the sport? Swimmers are tough enough to take it. Maybe tossing a few sharks into the mix would add a little excitement. Would the swimmer reach the other side before the shark dies from the chlorine? I don't know, but I'd watch to find out. Even a simple change like moving all of the swimmers into one narrow lane and letting them fight their way to the finish would add spectators. This week on "Monday Night Swimming": the PC swim team TKO's Brown!

Basketball could certainly be improved by adding a full contact rule. It would be messy, but fun. The entire sport of football seems naked without having a field full of quicksand and trapdoors. "He could-go-all-the-w...no! he fell into the moat at the fifteen yard line!" Finally, baseball just doesn't look right now that you're discouraged from throwing the ball at opposing players. Let's make some changes!

If changing the current sports isn't radical enough for you, why not try adding a few more. Don't you think that the movie "Running Man" touched on a great idea with its game like death sentences. Why not? We're already sending the murderers to death, so why not make it exciting for everybody. Can you tell me you wouldn't watch Ted Bundy go up against Machine Gun Man and sidekick, the hungry man-eating lion? Sure you would.

A Touch of Fiction Brick Buildings

by Lori McCrevan '99
Features Writer

Through the open window she watched the car pull away. This was her home for the next four years, yet she had no desire to be there. When her mother's car pulled out of sight, Amie collapsed onto her bed.

She stared at the ceiling as if it was going to explain her misery, but it didn't. She got up and turned on the radio. She scanned for a radio station, but all she found was static. Luxuries like TV stations and radio stations were scarce. Amie turned on the CD player and as the sounds of REM filled the room she started to relax. Again laying on her bed, she felt her eyes begin to close.

The door slammed and Amie's eyes popped open.

"Sorry," her roommate, Liz, answered. Amie was not amused that there was no sense of remorse in her voice. She only thought she should be sorry. Liz didn't really care that Amie was trying to sleep. Liz then proceeded to shut off the stereo and close the window.

Amie sighed and pulled the covers over her head. The struggle never ends. What was the problem with leaving the window open; it wasn't that cold yet. New Hampshire was going to get a lot colder. Besides, she only left it open enough to get some fresh air into the room. It got rid of the dirty socks smell that often permeated the room. Every chance she got, Amie opened it. It had been like this since the third day of school.

As Amie hid under the covers

she heard Liz pick up the phone and start dialing the multitude of numbers that allowed them to call off campus. Amie didn't even have to ask who she was calling. It was always Josh. Amie was beginning to think that Liz's world revolved around her boyfriend. It was as if she had no concerns for her family or for her friends. It was just Josh. It didn't matter that Amie had a boyfriend also. If he called and Amie was on the phone, then she would have to call him back if she got the message at all. Kevin once said that it was an emergency just to get Liz off the phone. Amie had thought that it was rather funny, but Liz lacked a sense of humor. As her roommate's talking grew louder and more annoying, Amie crawled out from under the covers. She pulled her boots out of the closet, waved to Liz and left.

Amie sat in the hallway lacing up her boots. It seemed more peaceful. She walked to Kathy's room in search of a refuge. However, Kathy was not there. Judy wasn't in her room either. Amie left messages on their doors and decided that she needed to go for a walk.

She stared at the brick buildings as she walked. Everything looked so cozy. She was in the woods of New Hampshire where people did not know the meaning of theft and were not afraid to leave their doors unlocked at night. The thought made her laugh. She did not come from the city, but her friends never let her walk by herself. She longed to see them. The letters and phone calls were just not the same. Words

are just words. She had been writing to her friends telling them how happy she was. She hated to lie to them, but she wanted them to believe that she was as happy as they were. She felt as if she was the only one that hated college. In the beginning she was so sure that she had wanted to come here. She had applied for early decision. The day that she was accepted was one of the best days of her life. Since then it had gotten worse.

As the sky became dark, Amie decided that it was time that she went back. She knew that Liz would not worry, but she had a lot of work that had to be done. As she retraced her steps the brick buildings did not look so comforting. They looked ominous and old. Feelings of loneliness and isolation were calling from inside her. There was no fitting in for her here. As she caught sight of the door, Amie began counting the steps that brought her to the door. One hundred and six. She stood in front of the door debating whether or not to go in. She didn't want to, but she had to. With a deep breath she reached for the handle.

Amie was not surprised to find that Liz was still on the phone. She wondered if she had noticed or cared that she had left. Probably not. She turned the radio on and turned up the volume. She pulled her biology book out of her desk and opened to the third chapter. She sat down to read it, but her eyes were blurred by tears. It was not her job to pretend that she was happy. She needed to be honest with herself.

Contemplari

by Fr. Elias, O.P.

As much as Acts 2: 42 ("They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.") is an indicator of the life of the Church. It is the continuing friendship of Jesus with his disciples. By that I don't mean just those followers of nearly two thousand years ago, although indeed this mysterious friendship is an organic continuation of that. The possibility of a real friendship and discipleship continues even for us; for faith allows us to accept the living presence and actions of Christ now risen and glorified.

This is certainly a one-of-a-kind relationship. It is with God. It is with someone who suffered and died for each of us. It is a kind of discipleship which embraces the entirety of one's life. It is with someone who loves us with a love of unimaginable goodwill, wisdom and purity. And it is desired first of all by Jesus; he wants and takes action to give us himself to the fullest. And it is not apart from the rest of the Church, throughout the world, throughout salvation history. This is what it means for him to be "our Lord," a phrase that I am still in wonderment about as it circulates on Catholic lips.

I know that one can live by some measures "a good Catholic life" without being aware of this

possibility of a living friendship which transcends and includes all of that. But it seems that if one is not seeking this living disciple's friendship with Jesus, now and intimately, something very profound is missing in one's Catholic life. I know it is something which must grow, with baby steps and later with more confidence. But, this living relationship is part of the normal flowering of our baptismal union with him.

But again, the twist is that it is he who calls us to it, using his words, preachers, and son on - even that mysterious stirring of the Holy Spirit in our hearts. It is he, faithful to his adoption of us stammering prayers for such a faith, for such a friendship with Christ, begin and continue because of his generosity and his love. Only our no's qualify as our own.

Here then is the connection with a Catholic university. At the heart of what we are, we are to be living and learning from Christ, with adult yes's. At even the heart of this, it is he himself who has made a place where he can call believers to be disciples unto this friendship. And somehow that living and learning, his gift, that discipleship which makes us and this college supernatural, can enable us to enter even more freely into the acquisition of truth about things from heaven to earth, and to live as a truly human and supernatural community.

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The Awesome 80's

by Pam Marchant '96
Features Writer

I miss the 1980's. Not only was it a great, carefree time in my life (1st through 10th grades), but it was a time of great trends in fashion, music, TV and music.

I have to admit, I was really cool back in the 80's. I'd walk around with my red jelly shoes and about 25 plastic bracelets on my arm (which were color-coordinated to match my outfit). Usually I'd have something in a fluorescent color somewhere on my body - probably on my feet, since those glowing green socks were my favorite pair.

Around 1983 this country had a flourishing of musical talent. Michael Jackson's "Thriller" and Culture Club's "Colour By Numbers" were my two favorite albums (actually, I think they still are). Who could resist songs like "Beat It" and "Karma Chameleon"? Cyndi Lauper's "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" was probably every girl

home, and many girls fell in love with Alex (Michael J. Fox). *Who's the Boss* had everyone wondering if Tony and Angela would ever get together, and the *A-Team* had people everywhere dressing up like Mr. T for Halloween.

In the movie theaters, Kevin Bacon dazzled us all in *Footloose*, while Bill Murray took on all the spirits in New York City in *Ghostbusters*. Chevy Chase epitomizes the 80's movie star, producing some of his best in *National Lampoon's Vacation* and *Fletch*. And who could forget one of my favorite movies of the 80's that sent Marty McFly back in time with the help of his friend, Doc Brown, and 500 jiggawatts of plutonium?

Of course many fashion "faux pas" were committed during the 1980's. I know I wasn't the only kid in America with friendship pins on my shoelaces and ribbon barrettes in my hair. And my brother was one of many who wore Jams (those loud, obnoxious knee-



in the nation's favorite song for quite some time, and The J. Geils Band's "Centerfold" had everyone singing along to the "Na Na Na Na Na Na's." Ah, yes, my friends, I miss great works of art like "I Love Rock n' Roll" by Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, "I Want a New Drug" by Huey Lewis and the News (right, Mike?) and "Come On Feel the Noise" by Quiet Riot.

On TV, Jack, Janet, and Chrissy (full name: Christmas Snow) made us laugh and cringe every week with the predicaments they were always getting into. *Family Ties* brought us right into the Keaton

length shorts) and his tube socks as high as they would go. Many friends of mine went for the cool "feathered" hairstyle, and many others wore leg warmers over their jeans. The boys in my neighborhood wore their pants "pegged" (cuffed tightly at the ankle) and Polo shirts with the collar tucked in. (Ugh!)

Ah, well. You can't go back. The best we can do is to preserve these memories in our minds and hope they'll live on. No, Culture Club may never top the charts again, but they'll always be Number One in my heart. Sigh.

A Stroll Down Memory Lane

by Bridget Hughes '96
Features Editor

When I was 8 years old, my grandmother and I were pen-pals. She lived in St. Louis and I lived in New York - so I always treasured our letters back and forth. As the years passed, we eventually stopped writing, and now we just rely on the telephone to communicate. Last summer, as I was cleaning out my desk drawers, I came upon those letters. I almost threw them away, but something stopped me. I saved them. Now, I am glad I did. I can't explain why, but in 10 years, I know that I will still hold the letters dear to my heart.

I'm sure that we have all had times in our lives when we want to keep something, but are unsure why. We just know that it has "sentimental value" and we need to hold onto that certain "thing" that has some memory to us.

My mother still has pictures and homemade cards that I made her from nursery school and kindergarten. A friend of mine has a

box full of memorabilia from her high school boyfriend. Others have saved flowers from their senior proms, or ribbons from gymnastic competitions, and some even have leftover ticket stubs from that Beach Boys concert 10 years ago. We all save letters that the family sent when you were at sleep-away summer camp. And of course, everyone I know, has that certain stuffed animal that they've had from birth - the one they can't bear to give away.

I have a cross that was given to me for my First Communion. I never really understood the value of it at the time. Of course, now I do. Never mind that it is 14K gold. It could be plastic, and I would still wear it. It all goes back to the meaning of the thing. I almost lost that cross when I was traveling. I had a panic attack. It was something that could be materially replaced - but not significantly.

One day over the summer, I was looking for something for my mother, and I came across a whole bunch of letters that my father had written to her when they were dat-

ing. I couldn't help but reading them. The letters were over 25 years old, fairly worn, and a little ripped - but my mother had kept them. It brought tears to my eyes. It really hit home to me that these little things that touch the heart are what everyone needs in their lives.

I still have a pair of hiking boots that are very worn out. My mother begs me to throw them away. I can't do it. Those boots have a lot of miles on them, and have walked many places. I can't part with them. It sounds silly, but I love them. It is just another example of those things that seem insignificant to everyone around you, but to you, it means the world.

I have realized through the years that things that are important to us are usually the immaterial things. If you asked any average person what means most to them, the answers would vary. But, whatever the answer may be, they would all have one similar thing in common. Each thing would touch the heart in some way or another.

Mean People Suck

by Theresa Edo '96
Editor-In-Chief

When I think back to my grammar school days I remember learning the basics. Multiplication tables were memorized, sentences were diagrammed, and different kinds of plants and animals were identified. These facts become vague, however, when I recall the other lessons in life that I was also schooled in. The classrooms were the bus, the school hallways, and the playground. The teachers were the mean kids who pulled my hair, made fun of me, or stole my jump rope.

It was way back then when I realized that, no matter how nice I thought I was, there would always be people who would be mean to me.

Being "mean" can be described in a variety of ways. The "mean" people cut you off in lines and on the roads. They talk behind your back and lie to your face. They are rude on the phone and do not say "excuse me" when they push

past you. They act self-important and only look out for #1. They find humor in your misfortune. They seem to not care about who they hurt or who they step on.

To clarify, I have survived 16 years of Catholic education. The religious morals I have been taught could be summed up (to use one of a variety of ways) in "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." This always seemed like a universal rule to me because I never met anyone who enjoys being injured by another unkind party.

For this reason, and for the sake of common sense, I have tried not to purposely slight anyone as I venture through my life. I am not claiming to be a perfect, completely moral person; I am human and am fallible. I do, however, make a conscious attempt not to offend anyone I come in contact with. Call me a do-gooder, tell me I'm too happy, whatever. I just have a real problem with intentionally being mean to others. It is be-

cause of this reason that I cannot understand it when people seem to be so inconsiderate.

It has only been recently that I have come to terms with the fact that I will always encounter this type of person. I saw them when they broke my crayons in half and when they told me I could not play their games at recess. I ran into them when they called me a "nerd" for being in Honors classes and again when they did not make an attempt to get to know me just because I did not go to the football games with the "right" clique. I encountered them when they shoved and crowded themselves into dark basements in pursuit of the ultimate goal - the keg, and again when they smiled and said "hi" and pretended to be my friends.

I also realize that my only defense is to grin and bear it and constantly work towards not becoming one of these people.

Be Yourself

President Calvin Coolidge once invited friends from his hometown to dine at the White House. Worried about their table manners, the guests decided to do everything that Coolidge did. The strategy succeeded, until coffee was served. The president poured his coffee into the saucer. The guests did the same. Coolidge added sugar and cream. His guest did, too. Then Coolidge bent over and put his saucer on the floor for the cat.

- Erik Oleson

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The Name's Bond, Male Bond

by Tom Belason '98
Features Writer

This is an article for men. Women, you are welcome to read on, but you may not understand everything, and frankly you probably wouldn't want to. This week I will be speaking about a purely male phenomenon - MALE BONDING.

Male bonding is something only men can do. This is not a sexist attitude, this is fact. Many people think that male bonding involves a lot of men sitting around a campfire, naked, eating raw meat and talking about women. In fact, there are a lot of misconceptions about male bonding. People think that it can only take place during a full moon, in the woods and involve chanting about the death of large mammals.

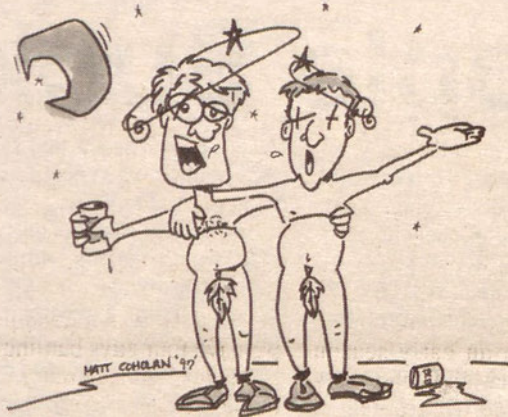
The truth is, there is no wrong way for males to bond. It can take any form imaginable. Camping, fishing, drinking, hiking, drinking and drinking are all acceptable ways to bond with the boys. You are definitely not limited to these

relax essentially. Samuel Adams should be the official beverage of male bonding.

There are three things that should be talked about when bonding with your buddies. They are, in no particular order, 1. Women 2. Women 3. Women. Again, I am not being sexist. All guys do this, and we all do it all of the time! Fact of life. Get used to it ladies, you are the number one topic of conversation when a group of men get together in a social environment with no females to watch us.

Singing is a must. I'm sure most of you men know at least one drinking song or bawdy show tune to share with your friends when you're all out together. Get ten guys, you've got lots of material to sing for the whole night.

Oh yeah, night. Bonding should only be done at night. It's pretty lame to sit around, drinking Sammies, talking shop, and singing sea-chanteys at 10 a.m. This time during the day should be spent in recovery from the bonding that took place the night before. This way you'll be rested



activities however. Do whatever you want, really. Sporting events are excellent places to bond, and males can even bond at such family activities as weddings and reunions.

There are a few guidelines which should be semi-adhered to during the bonding process. This may sound really crude and male, but drinking should really be involved. I'm not saying go out and get so bombed that you don't know where you live or what your name is. I'm just saying sit around and have a few beers with the guys;

enough to bond again the next night.

So now that you've read this, go find your friends, get some beverages, and warm up your singing voice. You will discover things about your friends that you never knew, and most likely will grow closer to them in the end. We are in the perfect place to bond. Have one for me!

Quote of the Week

The whole secret of life is to be interested in one thing profoundly, and in a thousand things well.

- Horace Walpole

The First Snowfall of Autumn

by Erin R. King '98
Features Writer

Monday, November 13, 1995. Approximately 3:00 p.m. The first discernible flakes begin to fall. Although they melt immediately upon touching the ground, they are, without a doubt, snowflakes. That's right...flakes of snow. Not enough to quench your thirst if you stick out your tongue, but frozen water nonetheless.

The snow begins to pick up at around 4:00. The sky is a peculiar gray color. The flakes begin to accumulate upon my green wool winter coat, which I wear with my white woolen mittens. My shoes are sturdy, ready to withstand even the harshest ice and snow. I am ready.

I see a few elementary school

children skipping along, dragging their bookbags behind them. They must be trying to remember where their sleds and snowsuits are hiding, waiting. Maybe they're in the garage.

Today I saw a house on Eaton



Street decorated with Christmas lights.

Two people walk into Slavin with red faces. (One says "Ouch.") The taller one comments on the snowball fight they just had. Curious, I walk outside.

6:35 p.m. Trees, shrubs, people

all have a bizarre white fuzz. It almost looks like the fuzz which keeps accumulating on the tan corduroy pants I am wearing today. Every time I move, the fuzz falls onto the floor. It is rather embarrassing to be surrounded in a puddle of cotton fuzz.

I wonder where the snowball people got the snow they fought with. They must have scraped it off trees.

When I was a wee child, my great-aunt told me that snow was God's dandruff. I believed her. I think I was a disturbed child.

Tuesday, November 14, 1995. 2:10 a.m. The time this article is finished. The only trace of this afternoon's blanket of white is the sloppy mud that got my new, sturdy shoes dirty. I love winter!

Jeer of the Week

Jeers to the people who have no ethics and have resorted to stealing backpacks from the bookstore.

Crafts for Cancer!

Top crafters from all over New England converge on Rhode Island again to bring their unique, original examples of the crafters art to the region's popular shows, Craft's for Cancer. The annual show will be held at Mount Hope High School in Bristol on November 18, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and on November 19, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society research, education, advocacy and service programs.

Collectors will delight in the rare, beautiful gifts and collectibles. Exhibitors include Jean Cotton who brings "Grammy's Heirloom Bears," Lu Lavallo Christmas Wood Crafts, Susan Ereio handmade invitations, and stationery. Also, porcelain dolls, handmade baskets, and Indian jewelry will be sold.

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LADY FRIAR HOCKEY

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The scoring drive intensified for both teams as they battled without results for the remaining second period minutes. Once again, BC came back onto the ice with spurts of energy. Lady Friar Baker managed to score off of a smartly set up passing system between Carlson and Blahoski, but the overall intensity of PC was lagging. BC took advantage of the temporary weakness to slap their second game goal past Fine's left foot split attempt.

Yates and Wheeler rolled the puck with returning momentum into the possession of Wagner. Wagner picked up her team's missed attempts to score her fourth game goal as the crowd erupted in joyful praise.

BC defense was able to stay a six man power play as well as a 5 on 3 rush by PC to score, but the Lady Friars weren't ready for the game to end. Katie Lachapelle stood as a post to return four shots back toward the rushing PC offense in a shooting frenzy. None of the scoring attempts were successful, so when she got possession of the puck in her post position from Baker's pass, she took her chances. Lachapelle pushed by the defense to make her first collegiate goal, ending the game with

an 8-2 PC win.

Against the US Select team PC's multiple scoring attempts were not nearly as smooth as they were against BC. Barto responded to the team's scoring strengths by saying, "This year the team has many different scoring capabilities, and is balanced because the team does not just depend on one player."

The US Select team was very competitive, for it consisted of women from the US National Team and even included the scoring skills of Assistant Coach Chris Bailey. To enhance the skills that this exhibition team brought into the game, it is of interest that PC graduate Bailey is a two-time silver medalist after competing with Team USA. The game certainly prepared PC for their season, reflecting the level of speed and efficiency toward which they will work this season. Despite the high competitive level of this select team, PC managed one goal in the 6-1 game. Baker caught the assists from Yates and Wagner in the first half, scoring against goalie Erin Villiotte.

Their second regular season game will be at home against St. Lawrence on Saturday at 12:30. Their double play weekend concludes on Sunday against Cornell at 12:30.

PC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Mark Carroll '95
(Cork, Ireland)
Men's Cross Country

Mark blew away the field on his way to winning the IC4A Championships Saturday at Franklin Park in Boston, covering the 10K course in 29:24. The victory helped the Friars qualify for the NCAA Championships this Monday at Iowa State University.



Marie McMahon '97
(Ennistymon, Ireland)
Women's Cross Country

Marie grabbed second place at Saturday's ECAC Championships at Franklin Park. Her time of 16:57 led the Friars to the team title and a qualifying spot in the NCAA Championships Monday at Iowa State University. Marie was second only to defending national champion Jennifer Rhines of Villanova.

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race. But she's fine now. Maria was a little bit tired going into the meet as well.

"Susan and Moira have made a huge jump, Krissy is getting better every week, too. So I feel if we can get Marie and Maria running like we did in the Big East (Championships) and the other three running like they did last Saturday we're in super shape."

On the men's side, co-captain Carroll moved the front when the gun sounded, had an untouchable lead before the half-mile mark and cruised, completing the 10k course in 29:25. Co-captain Andy Wedlake placed ninth at 30:20, and junior David Healy was at his heels, placing eleventh at 30:23. Freshman Ben Noad (48th, 31:21) and junior Michael Donnelly (31:38) rounded out the top five.

There has never been an individual national Cross Country champion. Of course, Mark Carroll has been plagued with injuries the last three cross country campaigns. Talk to any follower of the sport and all describe Carroll the same way. He's simply on another level than the competition.

"Now it's just motivational," explained Carroll. "The work is done, now it's a matter of getting myself psyched up enough."

"You have to treat it as just another race as best as possible," continued Carroll, who will represent Ireland in the Olympic 5000-meters in Atlanta. "There's a little bit of pressure because I haven't run cross country in three years, the injuries have delayed me. But the only pressure is going to

come from myself. It's not going to come from my teammates, it's not going to come from anybody in the NCAA, it's going to come from me."

McCambridge has consistently impressed the entire autumn, always finishing around 17:30, including a fourth place finish at the Big East's in 17:38. Since bouncing back from an early-season ankle injury, McMahon has easily earned All-America status. If healthy, she will contend for the national title. Iowa will see a showdown between Rhinnes and McMahon. The ECAC's belonged to Rhinnes, but in their previous meeting McMahon embarrassed the Wildcat at the conference meet, running with her until the final mile and then smoking her. McMahon is carrying a similar strategy for Iowa.

"I'm very optimistic about Mark winning the first ever individual NCAA title in cross country," remarked Treacy. "And I'm not going to rule out Marie yet either. She did beat Rhinnes very easily at the Big East, she was very sick last week, and all it has done has made Rhinnes the favorite, which is good it takes the pressure off Marie. I certainly think if she runs like she did at the Big East, she's right in the hunt for the individual title as well."

The Lady Friars were ranked number one heading into last year's NCAA's and finished fifth, the third year in a row placing fifth. In other words, this team is experienced.

"It's just a matter of going out and doing it one more time on Monday," Treacy said of the women. "I think they're focused, five have had NCAA experience before, last year. Moira, even though it's her first time, she will be very strong. And (number seven harrier) Gladys Ganiel is a freshman but has been at national high school competition, so I don't think the pressure will get to any of the girls. They feel very good about going out there and giving one last go for the season, hopefully finish it off undefeated for the season."

For the men, they have arguably the best front three in the

country. The back four of Noad, Donnelly, and juniors Steve Myers and Nick Kent will battle for the final two scoring spots. The most pleasant surprise was Myers and Kent, who placed first and fifth respectively in the JV race and ran faster times than the fifth varsity Friar.

"It puts us in a good position, we have four guys battling for our two spots," added Treacy. "If they come through the top half of the field, we're looking at a top six or seven placing, I think. It's just a matter of just going out there and doing the job now."

Now it's the battle of the nerves. The experience will help, but the squads' attitudes will be the key.

"This weekend you look forward to," explained Wedlake. "The pressure's in the back of you're mind, but this is an experience you should look forward to."

Wedlake also cited one downer about the event. It has taken more than seven runners from both sides to get PC to this point, but only seven from each side get this experience.

"Some of the credit goes to guys who didn't make the top seven on Saturday," acknowledged the co-captain. "Guys like Jose (Libano), Zack (Ventress), and Carl (Mauro). It's not just the final seven that's done it all."

"Maybe I would prefer the girls to be ranked number two going in, or number three," admitted Treacy. "I would prefer to be ranked number one next Monday night."

"But at the same time, we came into the season with a goal to finish in the top five," continued the Friar mentor. "They have succeeded all my expectations. I don't want people to be disappointed if they don't win it. I think if they finish second or third it will be a great achievement too. I don't want people, just because we're ranked number one now to think that we are going to win it, there's a lot of good teams out there. If we go out and give it one last go, and if everybody runs well, and I feel they run well, and they finish second, that's good enough."

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SPORTS RAMBLINGS

by Todd McKeating '97
Sports Writer

*While watching the Steelers dismantle the Baltimore, I mean Cleveland Browns, there are a few things worth noting. I call them as I see them.

*Congratulations to Head Coach Ray Treacy and the Women's Cross Country team. They are ranked number one in the country. They deserve more credit and recognition.

*Since 1979, the St. Louis Rams have played in four stadiums.

*Enough of the San Francisco and Dallas hoopla. It is only a regular season game. They should have televised Dallas commercials instead of the game. At least they would have been more entertaining.

*Craig Kilborne should run for President and Chris Berman should be his Vice President.

*Hakeem the Dream became the 21st player in NBA history to score 20,000 points. Change your uniform and you will score more.

*Northwestern football. The Cinderella team will take away the

roses from Ohio St.

*From the Big Conference, who has the most players playing in the NBA today? Who has the most players playing in the NBA from any school? Answer later.

*This weekend Florida St. lost over 300,000 dollars worth of football equipment in a fire. Someone asked Coach Bowden what they were going to do. I phoned Bobby and suggested they should have their boosters pay for a shopping spree to any football manufacturer.

*Michael "The Animal" Smith was suspended two games without pay and fined \$20,000 for his brawl with Dale Davis. He would have given Mike Tyson a better fight than Peter McNeely.

*Can the Orlando Magic play without Shaq or what?

*Jim Kelly moved into 15th place on the NFL touchdown list this past weekend.

*Svetlana Vtyurina, a senior at George Washington University, set the NCAA women's volleyball record for kills. She has 2,936 kills.

*The Dallas Cowboys have lost the tenth game of the season the last nine out of ten years. How 'bout them Cowboys?

*The Minnesota Vikings have been working overtime. They have played in four overtime games this year and eight in the last 20 games.

*Congratulations to Dan Marino. He broke another of Fran Tarkenton's records on Sunday. He now holds the record for yards passing with 47,299.

*Providence College and Syracuse are the two teams with the most Big East players playing in the pros today with seven. Can you name them? Providence has Eric Williams, Marty Conlon, Dickey Simpkins, Michael Smith, Marques Bragg, Eric Murdock and Otis Thorpe. Syracuse has Derrick Coleman, Billy Owens, Sherman Douglas, Rony Seikaly, LeRon Ellis, Lawrence Moten, and Rafael Addison.

*North Carolina has the most pros today with nine.

*Bret Favre. He has played in 55 consecutive games, more than any other quarterback. On Sunday, he was 25-33, 336 yards and five touchdown passes. He is Mr. Inconsistency.

*Bryce Paup is my defensive MVP so far. The fine he received was the biggest farce; it was a

clean hit on the Colt's quarterback.

*Florida Panthers are "en fuego." They are 13-4, with 26 points, the most in the NHL.

*Nine members of the Yankees have filed for free-agency. Only the Texas Rangers and California Angels have more than the Yankees.

*Is Marquis Grissom worth \$20 million?

*For the first time in its history, USA Network will televise a professional golf tournament from start to finish.

*Going into this week's games, Michael Jordan leads the NBA with 32 points per game.

*German Silva won his second straight New York City marathon.

*Who else was glad to see the Cowboys get their a\$\$ kicked?

*There have been 19 overtime games in the NFL this year, tying an NFL record.

*Oakland Raiders are off to their best start since 1982 at 8-2. Don't worry; they'll choke.

*Carlos Huerta kicked seven field goals for the Baltimore Stallions. They defeated San Antonio 21-11 and will play Calgary in the CFL Grey Cup final.

*Get the real officials back in

the NBA. The replacements have no control, they call every touch foul and need a police escort out of the stadiums.

*Peter McNeely was charged with assault with a dangerous weapon this weekend after a bar room fight. I hope he lasted longer than 89 seconds. (His Pizza Hut commercial is a disgrace.)

*Between 300 million and 350 million dollars were bet illegally on the San Francisco, Dallas game. My guess is some college kids were among those who struck it rich or were crying their eyes out.

*The BIG EAST is back. Two teams in the top five, with Villanova at #3 and Georgetown at #5. Connecticut is just behind at #6.

*Look for the Virginia Tech Hokies to surprise some people in hoops this season. In football, they clinched a tie for the BIG EAST title. Their last conference title was in 1963 in the Southern Conference.

*Pavel Bure will be out the rest of the season with a knee injury. Look for Alex Mogilny to pull a disappearing act.

*Eric Lindros is the biggest prima donna in the NHL.

VOLLEYBALL

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Laura Ramig and Sherryl Jones will be expected to play an expanded role next year. They see the loss of the seniors in a broader sense.

"We're obviously going to miss their play," commented Crotti, a smooth swinging six-footer, "but their leadership and friendship will be a bigger loss. They helped make my adjustment to Division I volleyball easier."

"More than anything, we'll miss their leadership and friendship," echoed Ramig, who provided consistent serving this year and will be relied on for defensive help next season.

Next year's squad, which will be led by Loftus, will benefit from the experience gained during the long, painful season. Injuries hindered the Lady Friars' attempts to achieve consistency, but also afforded other players the opportunity to gain invaluable experience.

"We learned a lot this year," stress Parson. "The problems we had with injuries will help us next year, because we'll have added depth."

The inability to consistently play well and win still irks at least two players, one of whom will have the chance to help change that next year, and one of whom will not.

"Our record doesn't reflect the

talent we have and the effort we put in," relates Crotti, who has only just begun.

"We never gave up, but we never saw the results. We'd practice all week, play hard, then lose the game. It was frustrating," notes Cole, who has finished.

Players will come and go, but the constant is Matejka. She will enter her third season as head coach with challenges still ahead. "We have a good core to build upon, depending on whether they're willing to take the next step." For her part, Matejka must replenish the team's talent. "To replace the kids who are leaving,

I'm going to have to bring in a very good recruiting class. You have to bring in quality to replace quality."



Laura Ramig '99



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The Final Four of Football

The Possibility of a Playoff for National Champion Should be Considered

by Mike Friess '97
Sports Writer

It appears once again that a Division-IA College Football Team will be robbed of its chance to play for their share of a national championship. The Ohio State Buckeyes, fueled by three Heisman Trophy candidates, Bobby Hoying, Eddie George, and Terry Glenn, are undefeated after 11 weeks and have demolished nearly every opponent they've faced. They play in probably the best conference in America, the Big 10, made up of traditional powerhouses like Michigan, Michigan State, and Penn State as well as the newly strong teams Wisconsin and Northwestern. However, the Buckeyes remain ranked second behind Nebraska who is also undefeated.

Florida is also undefeated, and they are ranked behind both Nebraska and Ohio State. Unless Nebraska somehow loses, which is highly unlikely, Ohio State and Florida will have no shot at even a piece of the national championship. This is not the first time something like this has happened. In fact, over the past few years, it happens much more often than not.

Last year, Penn State went undefeated, were ranked number one for most of the year, and put up some of the best offensive statistics in years, but because they had one close win against a mediocre Indiana team, they fell to number two and had no shot at the title. You see Penn State, like Ohio State, plays in the Big 10. And the winner of the

Big 10 is obligated by contract to play the PAC-10 champs in the Rose Bowl in Pasadena. Penn State proceeded to destroy a good Oregon team at the Rose Bowl, but

plays in the mediocre Big East, also went undefeated in the regular season, but due to close games and an easy schedule, they also were locked out of a national title game.

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were still left behind Nebraska, who had no problem dismantling an unimpressive Miami (FL) team in the Orange Bowl.

The year before that, West Virginia, who

Instead, Florida State, who had a regular season loss to Notre Dame, got a chance and took it as they defeated Nebraska in the Orange Bowl and were awarded the national

championship. Is this right?

What more can a football team do than go undefeated? The poll system based on voting sportswriters forces teams fighting for the national title to play a tough schedule which is good, but it also forces them to run up the score against inferior opponents whenever possible. This is bad. It is the antithesis of sportsmanship and no matter how many times Joe Paterno or Bobby Bowden deny it, it happens.

The only possible solution to these problems is a Division-IA Football playoff system. This gives each of the top four, six, eight, or however many teams an opportunity to take the title. Just look how successful and exciting the playoffs are in college basketball and hockey. The Final Four of Football would create excitement and interest in the sport, give the opportunity to more teams to win the title, and most important of all to the colleges, create millions of dollars in ticket sales and TV rights. Every other intercollegiate sport, football at all other division levels, and even the Providence College Intramural Football League have some kind of playoff system.

A playoff system takes the national title out of the hands of biased sportswriters such as myself, and makes teams earn the title on the field against a team of equal or better ability, the way it should be. Until a college football playoff system is devised, Teams like Ohio State and Florida and Penn State will continue to have incredible, yet fruitless seasons on a yearly basis. The time for a playoff is now!

Hockey Team Splits With Maine Black Bears

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"Scoring goals was like pulling teeth this weekend," admitted Maine Head Coach Sean Walsh. "Paul (Pooley) has Providence very well disciplined, so I'm happy to get out of here with a split. It's not often you can score only three goals and come away with a split.

"Both nights, you can say it was the bounces," continued Walsh, whose club's record stands at 4-2-2 overall and 1-2-2 in the conference. "Friday night, we got hit with some bad luck, and tonight (Providence) did."

As for Dennis, he feels he is playing the best hockey of his collegiate career.

"I'm able to stay real intense the whole game," said the Friar junior. "That's one thing I worked on all summer. Last year I had some mental lapses and let in some soft goals.

"Dan's been playing outstanding," lauded co-captain Justin Gould. "He's been the difference in a lot of games, a lot of one goal games. He's been a major reason for our success so far."

Despite the rough offensive weekend, the line of center David Green, and wingers Travis Dillabough, and Guziar have played phenomenally. It was the Green line that changed the flow of Saturday's game after the timeout, and continued to spark the squad for the remaining two periods.

The trio of juniors accounted for seven quality shots on Allison plus the lone Friar goal. Overall, Guziar's nine points lead the black and white, while Green's eight points tie him for second, and Dillabough's five points place him sixth.

"(The Green line) have been

playing very well," said second year mentor Pooley. "They played together as freshmen I understand, and played well together. They've played well since we had them back together, and if they continue to play well we'll keep them together. If any line doesn't continue to be productive, we'll move things around. But right now that's our best line, they're doing very well and I hope they continue their efforts. It's a big boost for us."

On Friday, Dillabough notched the game's first goal at 12:38 of the first, pounding in a rebound over a fallen Allison. Maine forward Tim Lovell knotted the game with a deflection past Dennis at 4:17 of the third. Just two minutes later, Guziar tallied the game winner by poking in his own rebound. Friar freshman Jon Coe closed out

the scoring with his first collegiate goal, finishing a partial breakaway by sliding the puck under a lunging Allison.

Pooley said that this will be an important week for injured co-captain Joe Hulbig, who has missed the beginning of the season with strained rib cartilage. Hulbig was to participate in up-tempo practices, and his return will depend on how he responds.

The Friars are ranked 14th in the nation and find themselves atop one of the nation's top conferences. But Pooley believes there is still room for improvement, and that improvement is critical.

"I think we need to continue to improve as a hockey club," acknowledged Pooley. "We've got areas to improve. The thing I'm excited about is that we've got kids

not playing their best hockey right now. I see everybody having the ability to get better, and the competition for the lineup is going to make everybody better, because we can put people in. So it's just me sitting back and seeing who wants to play, who's going to be

productive and who's going to play the system.

"I'm happy with where we are, but I think we're going to have to improve a lot to stay where we are."

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DOWN AND OUT

by Keith Christensen '96
Sports Editor

It was the same old story for the women's volleyball team this past weekend: Play very well for spurts, prove they are as good or better than their opponent, and lose.

Notre Dame and West Virginia came to Alumni Hall as PC played its last two matches of the 1995 season, and both foes walked away victors, 3-0 and 3-1, respectively. The losses ended a long, up and down season in which the Lady Friars won 16 and lost 16 (3-8 in the conference).

"We didn't end the season on a positive note," commented coach Debbie Matejka, "but we did have a winning season, which was one



Jocelyn Cole '96

of our goals going into the year."

Saturday against the conference's best team, Notre Dame, PC came out strong. The Lady Friars played the Irish tough in the opening game, dropping a 15-11 decision. Unfortunately, that was the closest that the Black and White came to victory.

"That first game, that was our team out there, playing well," explained junior Sarah Parsons.

The second and third games were not exactly PC's finest moments. The Irish held the Lady Friars to just three and five points in the two games. Statistics don't always tell an accurate story, but they did Saturday. Only one player — Becky Loftus — reached double figures in kills, while Kristen Kam was the only Lady Friar with more than ten digs. As a team, PC hit a pathetic .148 while allowing Notre Dame to convert a robust .352 of its kill attempts.

PC played its final game of the season Sunday against West Virginia, and the match was a perfect example of what went wrong with the season. The Mountaineers and Lady Friars entered the match with identical 3-7 conference records, and hopes were high that the season would end on a positive note.

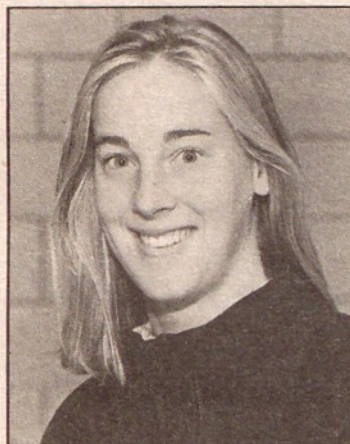
"I personally expected to beat West Virginia," confided Parsons, "but our efforts came too late in the match."

Indeed. After spotting WVU a 2-0 lead, PC found a groove and

tore off a 15-5 victory. Up 10-5, Becky Loftus served out the win. Parsons contributed a pair of kills, including a pretty cross court number, and Kelly Tooley added a kill and then combined with Jocelyn Cole on a block. Loftus, recently named a 1995 GTE/Cosida District Academic All-American, served up an ace to cap the win.

Game four began as the previous one had ended — with PC on the move. The Lady Friars took a 4-1 lead. Then they let WVU climb into the lead. Trailing 6-4, Providence rallied to a 7-6 lead, which it eventually extended to 13-10, but the Lady Friars could not help shooting themselves in the foot. Three servers followed points with momentum-killing service errors.

Only two points from tying the



Kelly Tooley '96

match, PC stopped playing defense. The Mountaineers ripped off three straight kills and a PC hitting error put the visitors ahead, 14-13. WVU gave Providence its fourteenth point with four hits, but the Lady Friars returned the favor, committing a hitting error before a West Virginia block ended the match and the season.

"It came down to what we've been doing all season," reasoned Matejka. "We get up, a team comes back, and we can't stop their momentum. It's unfortunate it had to happen in the last game."

"There were times this year, when we played very well, but we didn't do it consistently. We can build upon this for next year," hoped Matejka.

Three players who won't be part of that building process are seniors Kelly Tooley, Jocelyn Cole and Nicole Trudeau. Tooley, who, like Cole, is an All-Big East nominee, led the team in digs and was among the conference leaders in that category.

"Kelly's really shown improvement since her freshman year," said assistant coach Aileen Koprowski, who played with Tooley for three of those years. "As a blocker, she's really powerful at the net," added Matejka, "and she definitely picked up our offense."

Cole finished the season near the top of the league in blocks, and anchored the middle of the Lady

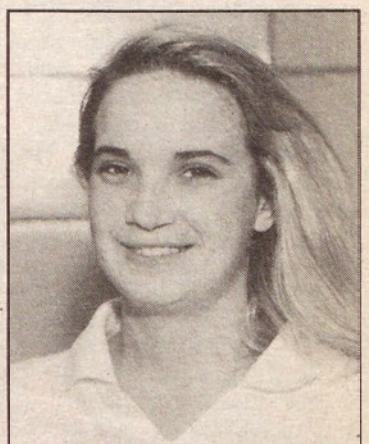
Friar defense. "Jocelyn stepped up a lot this year," lauded Koprowski.

"Joce gave her all this year. She fought through knee injury problems, hit really well in conference games, was consistent in the middle, and provided a lot of senior leadership," appraised Matejka. Finished Koprowski: "She led by example."

Trudeau helped sophomore setter Kristen Kam solidify the setter spot left vacant by the graduation of three-year starter Marnie Panek. "Nicole [Trudeau] has come a long way in four years," said Koprowski. "She was very confident this year, and she helped provide leadership and guidance to the underclassmen."

Freshmen Melissa Crotti and

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Nicole Trudeau '96

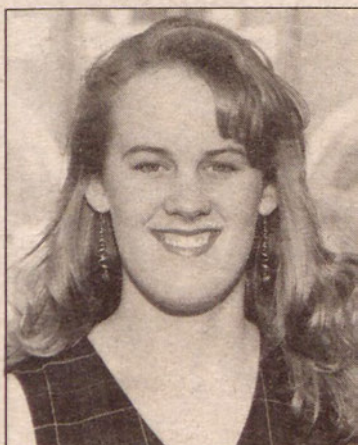
RED STORM: PC Swimming Splits With Johnnies

by Kenneth M. Martin '99
Sports Writer

Sometimes in sports the final score does not reflect the competitiveness of the particular event. This past weekend the event happened to be swimming as Providence hosted the Red Storm of St. John's University. The PC swimmers split the dual meet by beating St. John's women 130-111 but lost a close Men's meet 124-115.

"The Lady Friars did a fantastic job. They did everything it took to win the meet" commented PC swimming coach John O'Neill. "St. John's won seven out of the thirteen events which usually gets a team enough points to win the meet but we dominated in the events we needed to win."

The Lady Friars won both the 400 meter free and medley relays with strong times (4:30.00 and



Kierstin Newell '98

4:06.91) from freshmen Carla Clemente and Jane Thompson, sophomore Keirstin Newell, Junior Stacy Swetser, and senior Nancy Harkins. PC women also captured the 400 and 800 meter freestyle events with first place times by junior Colleen Doyle (9:27.81 and 4:37.42). Also in the freestyle division Keirstin Newell swam a time of 59.49 to win the 100 meter freestyle. The other victory for the Lady Friars came in the 200 meter fly event where sophomore Shannon Najjar won first place with a time of 2:30.08.

"It was really a total effort on their part to put it together and get that win," commented Coach O'Neill on the effort of his Lady Friar swimmers. "I was very pleased."

Coach O'Neill had more to be pleased with as the Men's team took the pool for part two of the dual meet. Although the Friars lost a close meet by an overall score of 124-115, Coach O'Neill saw his swimmers win six events. Four of the six wins came in record fashion as Senior Paul Nathe took the 100 and 200 meter freestyle in 53.66 and 1:57.25, which are new school records. In the 200 meter backstroke, freshman Jed Michnowicz also recorded a school record with a time of 2:09.46. However, the highlight of the day may have come in the 400 meter free relay when senior Mark Tartaglione and Paul Nathe, Junior Michael Ahearn, and freshman Sean Walker placed a time of 3:37.28 breaking the old school

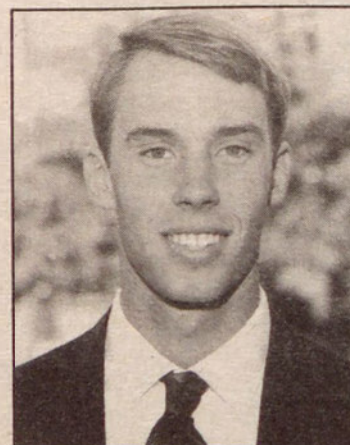
and New England records for that event.

"The relay is a good sign of how a team is swimming, if we swim well in the relays then usually we are swimming well all around," enthused O'Neill.

As a team PC swam well enough to potentially beat St. John's by overall points. Providence won the 800 and 400 meter freestyle events with times of 8:47.11 and 4:14.26 turned in by Michnowicz.

However, in the end diving put St. John's over the top, winning the 1 meter optional and required events. PC Senior diver Dan Corgan was out with an injury leaving freshman Jason Bjornberg and senior Eric Mohr—both of whom usually swim freestyle events—with the task of the 1 meter board.

"We really out-swam them (St. John's) but diving hurt our overall



Jed Michnowicz '99

score," said Coach O'Neill.

Despite the loss, PC swimming moves to 3-1 overall in their dual meet schedule.

Last Wednesday the Lady Friars traveled to Chestnut Hill to face Boston College. Coming off last year's 168-132 loss, BC was out for revenge, winning 13 out of 16 events and taking the overall meet by a score of 189-111. The only high-points for PC came in the 100 and 200 meter freestyle with wins by Keirstin Newell (1:57.90 and 25.31). Also in the 200 meter breaststroke senior co-captain Michelle McWeeney swam a time

of 2:32.03, which was good enough for first place.

"We are really working hard and are off to a good start. We want to go out and swim well this weekend and prepare for the New England Championships," expressed an optimistic O'Neill on PC's up-coming meets.

PC will travel to Storrs to face the University of Connecticut tomorrow in a dual meet at 12 PM. The New England Championships will also be held at the University of Connecticut beginning November 30 through December 2.



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Providence Speeds Past Croatia

Friars Showcase New Running Game In Last Exhibition

by Cory McGann '98
Asst. Sports Editor

Despite all the hype surrounding the newcomers, it was a veteran who stepped up and led the way for the Friars. Junior guard Jason Murdock came off the bench shooting to lead Providence to a 119-90 drubbing of the Croatian Young National Team.

Murdock dropped 22 points on the Croatians, who had lost to a usually weak Boston College squad the night before. Aiding Murdock's cause were teammates Derrick Brown and God

cousin helped me a lot... my shot was flat last year, and that's something I have been working on."

The game started out with Murdock on the bench as Head Coach Pete Gillen started senior co-captain Michael Brown at the two-guard slot. As Michael shifted to point guard throughout the game, Murdock found some minutes. And Gillen found production.

Coach Gillen commented on his ability to make changes in the lineup throughout the game. "We have some flexibility, now we need some cohesiveness... we have a lot of work ahead of us."

the top of the arc to begin a 19-2 run that put the Friars ahead by 16. The Croatians never got closer than a dozen after that as Providence romped.

After Murdock's three, Michael Brown added one of his own from the left corner. Croshere also attacked the left side of the Croatian defense, this time with a mid range jumper that found the bottom of the net. Murdock again made his presence felt with a sweet reverse lay up that showed off the upperclassman's athletic ability and presence of mind.

After two freebies by Croatian guard Zemljic, Shammgod came back with two consecutive jumpers, the first of which was a trey. Junior power forward Croshere then put the game out of reach with two free throws and a monster dunk.

Gillen, ever the perfectionist, was still not happy. "Overall, we're disappointed with the defense. I thought we played with poor intensity... we just weren't ready to play." The defense allowed the Croatians to shoot 52 percent from the floor, a statistic Gillen and the coaching staff isn't too pleased with. "We gave up too many easy baskets... our defense was very poor."

Providence showed flashes of their much heralded full court pressure, but the Friars showed that they did not yet have full confidence in it as a viable weapon. "Well, we have only been working on full pressure for only one week... we have only had time to work on other things... now we want to build on our pressure."

The Friars utilized the press the most during the second half, which unfortunately led to Croatian fast break opportunities. Despite this, the Friars maintained their lead with help from Derrick "Flight" Brown. The JUCO transfer continued to impress, and shows he is not a guy who can simply jump. The man scored, rebounded, defended, and hustled his way to a very good game. Flight accomplished most of this in the second half, scoring 13. The second half also gave Coach Gillen to take a look at freshmen Jamel Thomas (12 points) and Llewellyn Cole (7 points). Also seeing some time in the second half was sophomore guard Borja Larragan who contributed eleven minutes of solid ball.

The game ended with some impressive individual performances, as well. Croshere was his usual solid self, flipping in 20 points, second behind Murdock's 22. Croshere was also 10 for 10 from the charity stripe, an important factor if Austin is to dominate in the BIG EAST.

Yet despite Murdock's stellar

shooting, Flight's consistency, or Croshere's domination, the murmurings among the crowd seemed to be all for the freshman phenom Shammgod. The New

ity to shift his weight very quickly, causing opponents guarding him to lose their balance. This leads to a no-look pass to a deserving teammate, or a soft floater from



Jason Murdock '97 launches one of his patented jumpers.

Shammgod, who each contributed 15 points.

Murdock went 9 for 10, mostly on outside jumpers within the PC half court offense. Murdock struck gold by rubbing his defender off of a pick, then heading for his favorite spot on the floor: the straightaway fifteen footer. Murdock credits his cousin, NBA star and former Friar Eric, with his improved jump shooting. "My

Freshman God Shammgod joined Mike Brown in the starting backcourt, while Derrick "Flight" Brown and Austin Croshere occupied the two forward positions. Gillen went with junior college transfer Ruben Garces at starting center, replacing Piotr Szybalski, who had started the November 4th contest against Washington A.A.U.

The game was a tight contest until Murdock nailed a three from



Austin Croshere '97 garnered most of his points on baseline drives to the basket.

York City native seemed right at home in Providence as he calmly scored 15 points for PC. More importantly for the Friars, however, was the fact that finally they have a pure point guard at the helm. Shammgod dished out six assists and gave up only a single turnover. If Shammgod can register a double-double (double digits in points and assists) every game, while keeping his turnovers down, he will be an integral part of Providence's victories.

"Sham is real good off the dribble," understated Gillen. "He did some real good things." Shammgod has the uncanny abil-

Shammgod himself, which he seemed to prefer against the Croatians.

The Friars start their regular season on November 25th with a home game against New Hampshire. Coach Gillen stressed the importance of this game, as UNH tallied 19 wins last year. Former Friar Matt Alosa, who transferred to New Hampshire after his sophomore year, will be looking to lead his team to an upset over the Friars.

with reports from Keith Christensen '96

PLAYERS	Min	FG	FT	3-pt.	R	A	To	Pts
Mark Adams	3	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0
Derrick Brown	18	6-11	2-3	1-1	4	1	0	15
Michael Brown	26	3-5	0-0	2-2	0	6	1	8
Llewellyn Cole	16	3-5	0-2	1-1	6	0	1	7
Richard Cordella	1	0-3	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0
Austin Croshere	26	5-11	10-10	0-0	8	2	2	20
Ruben Garces	21	5-10	1-2	0-0	12	0	1	11
Borja Larragan	11	1-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	2
Jason Murdock	22	9-10	2-2	2-2	2	4	1	22
God Shammgod	26	5-10	3-3	2-2	0	6	1	15
Piotr Szybalski	13	2-2	3-5	0-0	5	0	0	7
Jamel Thomas	17	4-7	4-4	0-1	3	1	2	12

HEY GUESS
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Lady Friars Clip Eagles' Wings

Season Opener Finds the Lady Friars Right Where They Left Off

by Rebecca Joyce '96
Sports Writer

The Women's Hockey team tore into their season on Wednesday with a phenomenal 8-2 win against the Boston College Eagles. Jennifer Wagner, who had assisted on PC's single goal against the US Select team in their 6-1 exhibition loss, managed four goals against the Eagles to earn first star in the game.

The team jelled well, and after their win, Coach Barto said in a very controlled voice, "Considering that this was our first game, we played well. We scored some strong goals, and utilized our speed well." The Lady Friars dove head first into the first period, with Alison Wheeler and Myia Yates beginning the scoring set ups for the night, enabling a well planned shot by Wagner to swoop by the Eagle goalie 3:36 into the game.

PC kept the pressure on net, with opportunities carefully defended by BC. At one point, Laurie Baker centered a pass from behind the net to Amy Carlson. Carlson could not complete the play because she was knocked down in front by an aggressive

Eagle defender. PC's aggression was renewed with the next line change, and Sheila Killion made the kind of clean pass that this team might be remembered for after this game. The puck glided over the ice to Emilie Turcotte, whose shot was stopped by a panicked BC goalie. PC's pressure seemed to slack after many of these unrequited shots, which allowed for Eagle Genevieve Missirlian to attempt a shot which bounced off of the shoulder of PC goalie Natasha Fine.

As the time ticked down past amazing but unfulfilled power shots from Baker and offensive opportunities by Alana Blahoski that were incomplete because of rough BC defensive plays, PC seemed to promise goals through their efforts. The Lady Friars clicked together in a great passing frenzy that resulted in a goal at 1:40, when Turcotte caught Wagner's pass from Yates to score.

The 2-0 lead escalated when Wagner's adrenaline drove her to shoot the puck into goal off of a volleying combination between Alison Wheeler and Yates. Thus, Providence dominated the scoreboards in the first period, but returned to face a refreshed BC



Wagner '96 lit the lamp four times in a season opening 8-2 win over BC.

team that scored off of a power play, chasing PC with a 3-1 score.

The Lady Friars immediately regained possession, and shot on goal in a blink from the face-off position. Though this shot and Wheeler's follow up attempt were denied, PC was not about to give up another goal just yet. When BC tried to steal the puck, dives by bullet Karen McCabe and saving carries by Catherine Hanson reassured PC's powerhouse attack on

Eagle defense.

Jennifer Duis returned from the penalty box to assist Turcotte's second game goal with 10:00 remaining in the second period. Tensions erupted, controlled only after BC's goalie was knocked down and Wheeler was given a two minute breather in the penalty box for roughing.

The score sat at 4-1, with passing combinations between Blahoski and Baker defended by

an angry BC defense. The offensive swells that the Eagles pressed toward goal never quite made it past valiant saves by Fine. McCabe controlled a puck that shifted to the hands of PC, and she carried it through to Wheeler. Wagner received the next pass for a hat trick slap that slipped through the goalie's feet for a 5-1 lead.

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MIXED EMOTIONS

by John Carchedi '98
Sports Writer

Enjoy a taste of success, you want more, no matter what the circumstance. Despite having scholarships and the ability to skate backwards, the Friar hockey team is just like the rest of us.

That's why there were mixed feelings in the locker room after Saturday's intense 2-1 pitfall to #5 Maine, following a hard fought 3-1 victory Friday.

"I think if you had asked me last Monday if a split with Maine would have been good, I would have said yes," explained PC Head Coach Paul Pooley, whose club is ranked 14th in the nation. "But after winning Friday night, you always want more."

"We were a little disappointed after Saturday's night," agreed

Friar goaltender Dan Dennis. "After Friday's game, we knew we could win Saturday. Maine's the number five team in the country and we played with them and outplayed them."

The difference Saturday was the first twelve minutes of the contest. Maine stormed out of the gate, outskated the Friars, and held a 2-0 cushion midway through the first with short-handed and power play tallies.

After the second Black Bear tally, Providence took a timeout and went head-to-head with Maine for the last 48 minutes. The damaged had been done, as only PC winger Russ Guzior could fool goalie Blair Allison, capitalizing on a power play at the end of the first.

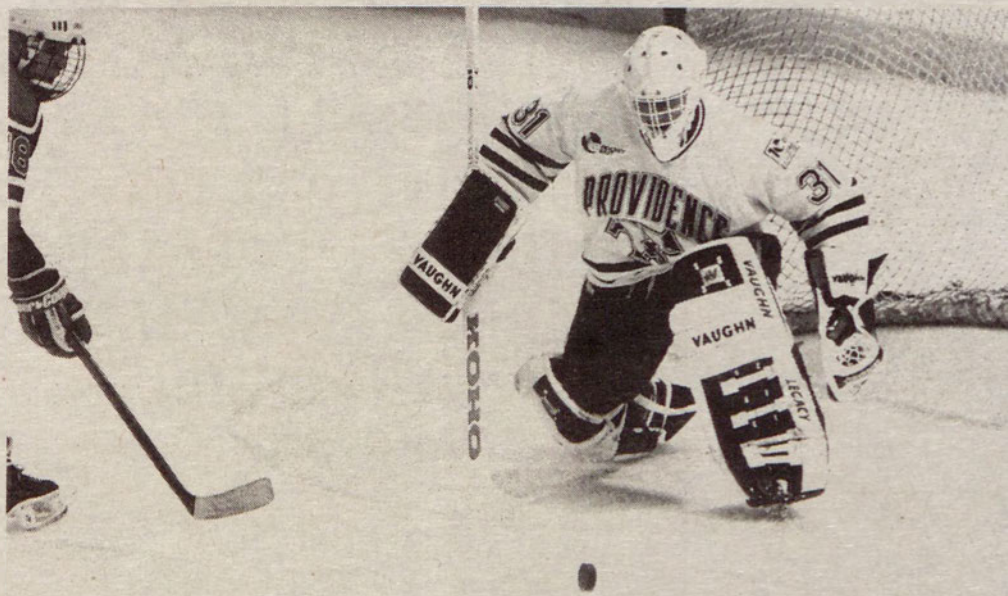
"I thought Saturday, for the first 12 minutes, I don't know if we got into a specialty team game, or we

weren't really ready to go," explained Pooley. "(The Black Bears) were ready to go Saturday night for the first few minutes, and that made a difference."

It was not a goalscorer's weekend. After Guzior's goal, both squads had quality opportunities. But both Allison, the premier netminder in the conference, and Dennis, in the process of swiping that title from Allison, were hot. Allison turned away 48 shots combined, and Dennis saved 61, but they were quality shots, coming from the number 5 and number 14 squads in the nation.

The other big theme this weekend was the bad bounce. Friday, Maine had four shots inside the crease and facing a partially open net sail wide. On Saturday, it was the Friars turn.

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Dan Dennis '97 is playing arguably the best hockey of his collegiate career.

LAST CALL

by John Carchedi '98
Sports Writer

There has never been a national champion from Providence College. Never. Yes, the girls ice hockey squad has been the best in the country, but their competition ends with the ECAC. For every other Friar squad, the trophy acknowledging the best in the country, and the glory that it carries, has been elusive.

Monday, on the chilling campus of Iowa State, the Lady Friars Cross Country team looks to finally bring that acknowledgment to Father Harkins' campus.

The squad ran to first place at last Saturday's ECAC Championships at Franklin Park in Boston. With the victory, Head Coach Ray Treacy's team not only qualified for Monday's NCAA Championships but also the number one ranking in the country.

Prior to the girls race the Friar men continued Treacy's dream

season by placing second in the IC4A's, also earning a ticket to Iowa and a move up to #10 in the polls.

The Lady Friars continued their season of domination, placing three runners in the top ten and the five in the top sixteen. Junior Marie McMahon battled a cold to finish second (16:57) behind defending national champion, Jennifer Rhinnes (16:34) of Villanova. Classmate Susan Murnane ran her best race of the year, placing fourth (17:04). Co-captain Moira Harrington (9th, 17:18), sophomore Maria McCambridge (13th, 17:30) and junior Krissy Haacke (16th, 17:33) rounded out the top five.

"I was happy the girls won even though Marie and Maria were a little bit off," noted Treacy of his top two runners. "Marie had been very sick all week with a cold and was weak, and it showed in the

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Friar Mark Carroll '95 leaves pack in the dust

photo by Mike Sablone '98