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You May Not Like This... But Your Parents Will

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One in 3 million. Those are the approximate odds of winning the Rhode Island State Lottery. Although Providence College students might have a better chance of securing an off-campus apartment than winning the lottery, according to the regulations governing housing, there is really no "sure bet." This uncertainty is due to a new lottery process that might be conditionally implemented this year and to existing rules that require all students, unless given explicit permission by the Director of Residence Life, to live on-campus.

According to the timeline established by the Office of Residence Life, rising juniors and seniors must submit their applications for the on-campus apartments by October 22nd. At the end of October, the office will tally up the number of applicants and formulate their housing plans. The number of beds that must be occupied in all five of the on-campus apartments amounts to 908. If all of the beds are voluntarily filled through the application process then those seniors and juniors will be allowed to seek off-campus housing. However, if the number of applicants is less than the number of beds, then a lottery system with the names of all rising juniors and seniors will be established. This new process, formulated in conjunction with Student

Congress, will determine who will be required to live on-campus and who will be given the privilege to live off-campus.

Essentially, all of the on-campus apartments must be filled before any student will be allowed to live in off-campus housing. In fact, no off-campus permission forms will be given out until November 29th. If the process does eventually come down to using the lottery system, all students will be given a randomly picked number. Rising seniors will receive the preferred higher lottery picks, thus having a better chance of being allowed to secure off-campus housing.

According to Dennis Del Gizzo, of the Office of Residential, the purpose of this policy is to try "to fill the apartments in the way that will satisfy the needs of the students." Moreover, the course of actions is in line with Providence

College's desire to have as many students residing on-campus as possible. However, seeking not to alienate, but rather ease the apprehension of certain students, especially those who wish to live off-campus but receive a low lottery number, the Office of Residence Life is offering alternatives. One such measure would be a "lottery swap." This procedure would involve those students who want to live on-campus and were lucky enough to receive high lottery numbers. They would exchange their picks with those who wish to live off-campus but who received a lottery number that might require them to remain on-campus. By enacting this idea, the college hopes to "accommodate both the desire and needs of the students." Yet, like the lottery process itself, the lottery swap will only be implemented if all of the on-campus apartments are not

initially filled through the first round of the application process. In addition, a second change in the structure of residential policy will also affect whether or not a lottery process will be needed. This involves the 200 or so less beds that will be made available to freshmen and sophomores in the dormitories. To date, there are plans to convert Bedford Hall into office buildings and Stevens Hall into an academic center that would house classrooms and the new Feinstein Center. This decrease in dormitory rooms will, however, be offset by the construction of the two new on-campus apartment complexes. Thus, once all of the available dormitory space is filled to capacity, the overflow of sophomores, if there are any, will have the opportunity to live in the on-campus apartments. Although the determination of what sophomores will be given this privilege has yet to be worked out, it will not be through a simple random assignment. Instead, as Mr. Del Gizzo states, it will be offered to, "those students who will be appropriate to that [the apartment] lifestyle."

However, despite the alternatives and changes in the structure of the residence buildings, there still exists the possibility that those who wish to live off-campus will not be given permission. Predictably,

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WELCOME TO PROVIDENCE

A Look at the Class of '97

by **Mary Shaffrey '97**
News Writer

The year is five weeks old, and the Class of 1997 is already establishing itself in the PC community. Last week's election brought forth the highest voter turnout (over 500 participated) of any freshmen class in recent memory, according to John Ryan, President of the Student Congress. But what is this class really like? Who is this class, and where are they from? What is their academic background?

The Class of 1997 is the most ethnically diverse of any class on campus. Cathy Solomon, Director of Systems Research in Admissions, notes, "The students of color in the freshman class are 9.3%, which is more than double our minority enrollment of just seven to eight years ago." This figure includes Asian, African-American, Hispanic, Portuguese, multi-racial, Southeast Asian and Korean students to name a few.

The male to female ratio is fairly close, with 48%, or 475

male students enrolled. This is in comparison to 52%, or 517 female students. A little more than half the class is undeclared with regards to their major. However, of the 483 declared students, the most popular majors are (in order): Political Science, Special/Elementary Education, Psychology, Biology,

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"We are very pleased to acknowledge that 32 National Merit Award finalists and 3 National Achievement finalists are among the freshmen class we welcomed to campus this fall," stated Solomon. "The academic quality of the Class of '97 is slightly better than the previous class. This is measured by their high school rank-in-class, with 45% alone coming

from the top two deciles of their class, as well as their Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores. The mean SAT scores, for all students were 503 Verbal and 559 Math, or 1062 combined," she continued.

According to *Parents for Providence*, the triennial newsletter published for parents and grandparents of PC students, the 981 enrolled freshmen was above the objective of the Admissions Office. This was quite unusual for New England undergraduate institutions this year. For example, schools such as Holy Cross, Boston College, and Villanova mailed out over 1,200 letters of acceptances to students on their waiting lists this spring in order to achieve their freshmen enrollment objectives.

Solomon attributes PC's success in this area to the increased recruitment efforts that the Admissions Office has undertaken. "While many of our peer schools have suffered, we have gained because we have started to recruit more

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Faculty Senate Now in Session

by Theresa Edo '96
Asst. News Editor

Did you ever see the "Wonder Years" episode where Kevin wonders what his father does for a living? The pre-teen decides to go into the office with his father for one day to get to the bottom of things. Well, that's what I felt like as I sat in on the first Faculty Senate meeting of the '93-'94 academic year. Like just about every other club or organized body on campus, the Faculty Senate only has very preliminary plans for the coming year. Tying up old business, this past year's President of the Senate, Richard Murphy, addressed the assembly of approximately forty people. "What is the administration doing to help the growth of this faculty?" he asked. Dr. Murphy stressed the administration's obligation to shift from ideas to action. With the help of the administration, the faculty needs to experience, he said, "the full and finely woven fabric of our trade." After this, which one might call his farewell address, the Senate proceeded to nominate and elect three new officers. Each won unopposed. Carol Hartly was promptly named President, Robert LaMontagne as Vice President, and Francis Ford as Secretary. Dr. Hartly quickly took control of the meeting and began to run the '93-'94 elections for the Committee on Academic Rank and Tenure. Following a secret ballot vote, Dr. Hugh Lena and Dr. Landen, O.P. became the newest members of the subcommittee of the Senate. Once this business was completed, Professor William Hudson, acting Director of the Feinstein research committee,

spoke to the group. Once again, he explained that the intended use of the five million dollar grant will finally be decided on by early next semester. Although no specific public service program has been developed, the committee hopes to build one that joins the principles demonstrated in PC's courses and extracurricular activities that already deal with some aspect of public service.

When it is fully implemented, the program will not be solely vocational (only for majors). It will be open to any student who has an interest in public service. It will be enhanced through the linking of reading, reflection, and service. Ideally, everyone involved can nurture a life-long commitment to public service. One impromptu speaker was Tricia O'Hare, one of the few student members of the Feinstein committee. She spoke about a student group which will be formed soon to brainstorm for ideas of what to do with the grant. All are encouraged to get involved, she added. The final speaker was Dan Vallee, Director of Human Resources. He reaffirmed the confidentiality of the handling of the faculty health care forms. He outlined the route of the faculty's monthly claim forms in the Resources office to allay any fears of misconduct during the procedure. "We hope to restore the Faculty Senate's diminished place in the PC community," newly elected President Carol Hartly said after the meeting was adjourned. She hopes that the group will become more active this year and plans to solicit all faculty members for ideas and suggestions.

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Students returning to off-campus apartments may have noticed some changes in the neighborhood. During the summer, a good number of landlords were busy painting and repairing their properties to meet minimum housing codes to qualify as a Providence College student rental.

And, according to data received from the City of Providence's Department of Inspections and Standards, 85% of all registered off-campus student housing has undergone a minimum housing inspection, with over two-thirds of the properties having received an approved certificate of occupancy.

As of September 27, 1993:

139/ 68%	Properties have met compliance
36/ 17%	Properties need repair
10/ 5%	Properties have zoning problems
21/ 10%	Properties have withdrawn/not responded

206/ 100% Total # of properties involved.

The inspection program, as outlined in the college's Good Neighbor Plan, is the first of a three-phase effort to upgrade and improve the quality of housing for off-campus students.

The second phase, the formation of a voluntary model lease, is currently being developed. The model lease will include security systems and other features that go beyond the minimum requirements of a standard lease agreement.

The third phase will explore the merits of developing a master lease arrangement in which the college would lease properties directly from area landlords.

The housing inspection program began in October 1992. At that time, all landlords who lease to PC students were asked to participate in the minimum housing inspection. Brochures listing the status of various rental properties were distributed to students in May. A final listing of all approved and unapproved properties will be distributed shortly to students.

College administrators will also be going door-to-door to verify the condition of the properties.

If it is your understanding that your rental property has a certificate of occupancy, but you have problems relating to your electrical, plumbing, or heating systems, or the property's security system, etc., please contact the Off-Campus Housing Office immediately at 865-2420.

Hopefully, the housing inspection program will assist students in making more informed decisions about future off-campus housing.

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this paternalistic approach to housing has concerned many students, especially those who live or desire to live off-campus. Amy Jao, a junior living off-campus, was amazed when she heard of the policy: "How can they force us to live on-campus? We should be able to choose where we want to live." However complacent most Providence students may be, this sentiment appeared to be the general attitude of the residents of the college. One student even skeptically characterized such a restrictive measure as just, "another act of an overbearing theocracy."

Another concern expressed by some students involves the current status of the new on-campus apartment buildings. Although a floor plan has been sketched out, there are still many aspects of the complexes that are in the planning stages. Since the date for submission of applications is so early this year, students appear wary of choosing a place to live that they really know nothing about and which is still in the working stages. Since the cost of the new East Campus apartments is \$5,000 per occupant [compared with \$4,800 for the old apartments and \$2,800 for the dormitories], most students feel that they should know exactly what they are paying for before they make a final decision.

Responding to these concerns of the students, Dennis Del Gizzo explains the earlier date of the new lottery process is, "A direct response to what students need," concerning the timetable of leases and possessing some sense of security of knowing where to live. Although most residents will probably not be adversely affected by the new policies, for most students it is somewhat a "matter of principle." Some feel that the college has already been too restrictive in various aspects of student life and that to dictate where students must live is going a bit too far. Although the matter of enforcement has yet to be formulated, there will, according to the Office of Residence Life, be direct action taken by those students who opt to ignore their housing designation. Thus, since the entire process is extremely complicated, it is best for rising juniors and seniors to attend one of the information sessions offered by the Office of Residence Life on October 12, 13, and 14th.

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aggressively, not only in New England, but in other areas as well. Also, our students and parents are our best source of Public Relations because they go home and tell of how happy they are, and the word of mouth just spreads," she continued.

The geographic diversity of the freshmen class is quite apparent. While the vast majority (68%) of entering students are from New England, a sizeable minority are coming from other areas in the Northeast, such as Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The Admissions Office is also reporting higher than ever enrollment from states like California and Illinois, where considerable efforts have been made in recruitment. Fourteen foreign students are also members of the freshmen class, coming from such places as Canada, Ireland, Kenya and Norway.

So what does the Class of '97 think of PC so far? Everyone seems to be expressing the same gamut of emotions, from 'I miss home so much, I want to transfer out,' feelings of the first week, to 'I really like it here, and besides all the rain, everything is really great' feelings of now. (Note: We haven't had any rain in over a week!) Vicki Krebs summed up her feelings by saying, "The feeling of PC is indescribable. The people here are really friendly, and I'm having a wonderful time."

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BEIJING, JUNE 1989



Beijing's Human Rights Record Quashes Olympic Bid

by David McGuire '94
Editorial Writer

In a time when politics control everything from world trade to television to sports, it is refreshing to see that the International Olympic Committee turned its back on the political bantering of Beijing and awarded the 2000 Olympic Games to Sydney, Australia.

Despite the furious campaign staged by China in the final weeks before the voting, the IOC denied Beijing the privilege of hosting the Olympics, due mostly to its poor human rights record.

Although China claimed that hosting the Olympics would open the doors to the Chinese business market for the rest of the world and benefit the future of China as an international leader, the IOC closed the doors on Beijing for fairly simple reasons: the hundreds of people slaughtered in Tiananmen Square in 1989.

The vote for Sydney was a vote for Olympic sports, a stand against the political, economic carriage the games have become. The better weather of Sydney, the well suited, athlete-friendly attitude, and facilities designed to bring all the athletes together may seem like small, unimportant reasons to give the games to Australia, but these issues are at the heart of what the Olympics are all about: athletics.

For China, the Olympics hardly even represent sports, but rather a chance to regain its political integrity. However, we cannot be fooled by the thought that Chinese leadership would actually work to expand democracy and reform their attitude towards human rights.

China released a few political prisoners as tokens of their good intentions, however, this does not mean they are on the brink of large scale social reform. The political and economic value of the Olympics is far more important to China than the release of a few vocal students. The release of Wei Jinsheng, a prominent advocate of democracy, was an empty gesture. He had only six months left out of a fourteen year term. Political reform in China should come because the Chinese are ready and willing for these changes to occur, not because a multi-billion dollar industry is offered as a reward.

It is true that the Games would open the doors to the Chinese business markets, but new jobs, booming business and billions of dollars in revenue would be a reward for China, signifying that we are willing to forget what happened four years ago.

Another issue that should not be overlooked is China's preparation for an underground nuclear test. Actually, it cannot be considered preparation anymore since

China performed a test this week, after the IOC decision. Every other world power with nuclear capability has ceased testing, so why should we expect less from China?

China, of course, claims that the testing is strictly for national defense and that China would never initiate a nuclear war. Wonderful! China's continued testing will inevitably result in a Domino Effect in which every other world power will resume their own testing, "for reasons of national defense."

The US will be blamed for keeping the Olympics out of Beijing, but we should not worry about this. Everyone blames us for everything anyway. China has not shown any signs of significant social change that would render them deserving of hosting the Olympics. The campaign lead by the US to keep the Games out of China was an appropriate one. The IOC's vote to award Sydney the 2000 Olympics was a vote for sports and humanity, and should be applauded.

Beijing says it will not give up its quest for an Olympic bid, a statement which should be admired. If the Chinese are serious about reform, and are capable of showing the world that their desire for change and international acceptance is genuine, then they will deserve to celebrate when the world is in China in 2004.

Healthy Attitude

by Theodore Hazard '94
Editorials Editor

At Providence College the development of the mind and the body is important. Primarily, we are all here to receive a quality education to prepare us for the workplace and for the rest of our lives. But that is not all PC students are concerned with. Personal health, through proper exercise, is a very important and popular life component at PC. Traditionally, college is a place to develop the mind; at Providence College it is also a place to develop the body.

The strong, consistent healthy attitude of the students makes PC unique. Ironically, these healthy attitudes are pursued, to some extent, with a religious vigor. Consistent exercise may be more common than consistent mass attendance for many PC students.

The Mecca to which thousands of devoted exercisers journey weekly is affectionately called Peterson Rec. The pilgrimage is driven by the desire to obtain health; to look good and to feel good. However, this common quest for health is not solely concerned with the present state of the body.

The pursuit of health, for the majority of PC students, has been developed in the past, is pursued in the present, and will be maintained in the future.

In the past, many students were active in High School athletics; this practice has carried on to college where

the temptation to strictly study and booze or booze and study, is great.

Presently, exercise can be a social activity and, as we all know, PC students love socials. A fit body contributes to building self esteem and getting dates. A healthy person has more energy to study and stay awake in the dim drafty library. Finally, being healthy reduces the risk of becoming sick and falling behind in class.

In the future, one's health is invaluable. The exercise habits displayed by PC students build a concrete foundation for future healthy attitudes and exercise. As kids we exercised and it carried into our young adulthood at PC. Exercise as young adults, with continued diligence, will carry into our adult years- for the rest of our lives.

Providence College students are not hedonistically living in the present; we have a genuine concern for the future. The overwhelming pursuit of health affirms this. Economically, staying healthy is smart due to the constant and dramatic rise in health care costs during the past twenty years. Personally, staying healthy is smart because in five to ten years most will be starting a family, with whom we will want to live as long as possible.

The pursuit of health by PC students is an extremely positive feature of our small school. These healthy attitudes and behaviors help to define Providence College and make us unique. Health is a noble goal for the present and for the future.



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CLINTON'S SOMALI QUAGMIRE

by Anthony R. Zupka '94
Asst. Editorial Editor

Over the past several days, tragic events have occurred in Mogadishu, Somalia. While engaged in a raid on several of Somali strongman Mohammed Farah Aidid's compounds, 12 United States servicemen were slain, 78 wounded and several taken prisoner. These latest developments in Somalia are the direct result of a poorly executed United Nations operation that no longer resembles the humanitarian crusade which began ten months ago. In light of the recent casualties and the horrific desecration of soldier's corpses, America can no longer deny that it has worn out its welcome in Somalia and that the time has come to scrutinize the objectives of its presence there.

When Navy commandos landed on the beaches of Africa amid a blitz of media sup-

port last December, Operation Restore Hope had the clear objective of feeding hundreds of thousands of starving Somalis. U.S. forces accomplished that task long ago, and now find themselves involved in a U.N. sponsored nation building exercise that has no foreseeable conclusion. American troops are engaging a renegade, guerrilla enemy without the adequate armor and rescue elements necessary to support them. On October 4th, for example, 70 Army Rangers were pinned under rifle and grenade fire for over seven hours because the Pakistani and Malaysian units deployed to rescue them were reluctant to do so for fear of suffering losses in the process. This inaction on the part of our allies was directly responsible for the capture of two helicopter crews and the death of at least 12 Americans.

President Clinton must realize that wholesale changes need to be made in the way American forces are being utilized in Somalia. The formula that U.S. troops are presently operating within is unfocused, disjointed, and is costing Americans their lives. When General Aidid took U.S. soldiers captive on October 4th, he committed an act of war against the United States. We must respond, but while doing so we must avoid the pitfalls that have already cost soldiers their lives during this mission. The two options which present themselves to America are on opposite ends of a metaphorical spectrum, but would be equally effective.

The first option that the U.S. could pursue would involve the immediate cessation of American participation in the U.N. mission and negotiation for the release of American prisoners. The recovery of prisoners and the remains of any dead would be followed directly by a withdrawal of all U.S. forces. The second plan that America could follow would entail the occupation of Mogadishu and an escalation of troop presence. This plan would utilize at least one United States Marine Corps amphibious assault division and feature the imposition of martial law in the city until all Americans were returned. Following the recovery of all prisoners and remains of deceased soldiers the U.S. would then withdraw all of its forces.

Some citizens who witnessed the grisly scene of dead American soldiers being displayed like trophies may desire a stronger, more punitive response. This, however, is not an option that a civilized society can pursue no matter how strong its yearning for revenge is. President Clinton has stumbled into quagmire and the only way that he can avoid sinking any lower is to sever ties with the inept U.N. mission and bring all the troops home as soon as possible.

Let Children Be Children

by John J. Olohan '95
Editorial Writer

Society makes it very difficult for children to grow up with a sense of right and wrong. Children in the nineties play extraordinarily violent video games and are taught about "alternative life-styles," sex, drugs, and alcohol in grammar school. They are able to watch sex and hear bad language on television. We are throwing issues at children that are too complicated for children to understand. We seem to think we are doing them a favor, but we are not.

A child's innocence is very important to his or her development. The Surgeon General, when asked when sex education should begin, said, "as early as kindergarten." When I heard that, I couldn't believe how bad things have become. Children in kindergarten don't care about sexual gratification in the least; they can't. Why bring up an issue that shouldn't be brought to their attention for another six years?

Schools should be a place where children are instructed in English, math, science, and social studies. They should not be bombarded with "politically correct" curricula. The American student is not as well educated anymore because teachers spend class time showing fun movies, giving their opinions, and discussing issues that are way over the kids' heads.

Children should be getting a core curriculum so that they will have a strong foundation to build upon. Children are not mature enough, nor intelligent enough, to be dealing with issues that are not extremely basic in nature.

We act as if we are doing everyone a favor by being "so open" with our youth, but it is wrong. Let children be children. Let children think that

Santa Claus exists, that babies come from heaven, that their mommy and daddy are the best parents in the whole world, that cooties exist, that playing house is great, that sports are the greatest, along with any other way that children naturally think.

Bringing certain issues to children's attention makes children curious and more likely to experiment with their

Children should not be bombarded with politically correct curriculums

new-found knowledge. As time goes on children lose their innocence, some sooner than others. At least it isn't crammed down their throats all at once.

Just look at what is going on in your community. Today kids are doing drugs, having sex, and drinking at a much younger age. Children are doing worse academically too. They are being exposed to things that we should be sheltering them from.

In 1940, teachers named the top problems in the public as talking out of turn, chewing gum, making noise, and running in the halls. In 1990, teachers named the top problems as drug abuse, alcohol abuse, pregnancy, suicide, and rape. Obviously we are not teaching our children correctly because if we were then the problems of 1940 would still be considered problems in 1990.

We must bring back the concepts of right and wrong into our lives. We know what is right and what is wrong. People act as if right and wrong are different for every individual, but it shouldn't be that way. Why don't we teach our children to respect themselves? Why don't we teach children that doing well in school is far more important than doing well in sports? Why don't we give our brothers and sisters the support they need to stand up for what is right and to stay away from what is wrong?

There are an awful lot of confused children crying themselves to sleep tonight. Children just want to be children; they don't care about "adult stuff." If was hard enough going through grammar school fifteen years ago just dealing with reading, writing, and arithmetic. I really feel for the youth of America.

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Letters To The Editor

Dance Team Gripes

To the Editor:

The PC Dance Team wants to express our disappointment regarding this years allocations. We expected to receive an amount comparable to previous years and unfortunately, this year, our allocation was significantly reduced. The explanation given to us by Student Congress was that there was a tremendous amount of overspending last year and cuts were made this year to compensate. The dance team has always been aware of our spending and acted responsibly. We want to know why we should be penalized for other clubs' irresponsibility and mismanagement of money. Not only that, but why doesn't Student Congress know who created the overspending and act accordingly.

Thank you,

The PC Dance Team

Say It Ain't So Joe!

To the Editor:

Some of you may recall reading the following quote in the Graphics Section of the Cowl last week.

"I'd like to take this space to thank Student Congress for their generosity regarding allocations..."

"P.S. BOP I hope you can do something fun with you 2.7 Billion Dollar Budget... Hugs and kisses, Joe Downes"

Joe - Can you define Lack of Professionalism or Conflict of Interest?

Sincerely,

John Ryan

Boisterous Bad Apples

To the Editor:

I am sorry to have to address the student population at P.C. on a somber note but I feel it is a must. I realize that

college is supposed to be the best time of our lives but I am unable to verify this statement after witnessing the behavior of some P.C. students. I am referring to the verbal abuse P.C. "partiers" aim at pedestrians on Eaton street. Coming back from 7-11 on Friday evening, I was shocked to be accosted by some drunk students on third floor porches on both sides of the street. Some people may enjoy it but I do not like being called a "loser" and a "nerd" just because I happen to be wearing a backpack. I do not wish to repeat the expletives preceding and following these alienating terms. I would like, however, to remind these bad apples that the Providence College community was made great by its religious foundations and that unless they want to make this great establishment mediocre they should keep their ignorance to themselves.

Regretfully,

Timothy J. Bailey '95

Rationlizing Your Thesaurus

To the Editor,

My Word! I remember when the Cowl was positively teeming with bombastic low-brows writing fustian, mephitic and generally gelogenic letters to the editor. Unfortunately, there no longer seems to be anyone who is willing to attempt to articulate their pedestrian opinions to the Cowl's readership. Whilst I would like to extend my most sincere congratulations to the authors of the most recent letters to the editor for being relatively coherent, I have been left wondering where have all the little flylot toting solipsists gone?

Yours in total sincerity,

Bob Subderisorous '94

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I. Commentary articles and letters to the Editor are welcome from any member of the P.C. student body, faculty, or administration. Submissions from those outside the P.C. community may be printed if space permits.

II. All submissions to the Editorial Department are subject to the editing of the Editorial Staff. If there is a specific part of your letter or article you do not wish to have altered, please see one of the Editorial Staff members prior to publication.

III. All letters must be double spaced and limited to 250 words. Letters must be signed; however, if you do not wish your name to appear in print, please contact a member of the Editorial Staff or the Editor-in-Chief. Complete anonymity may be granted if the subject is of a particularly personal or sensitive nature.

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For more information contact:

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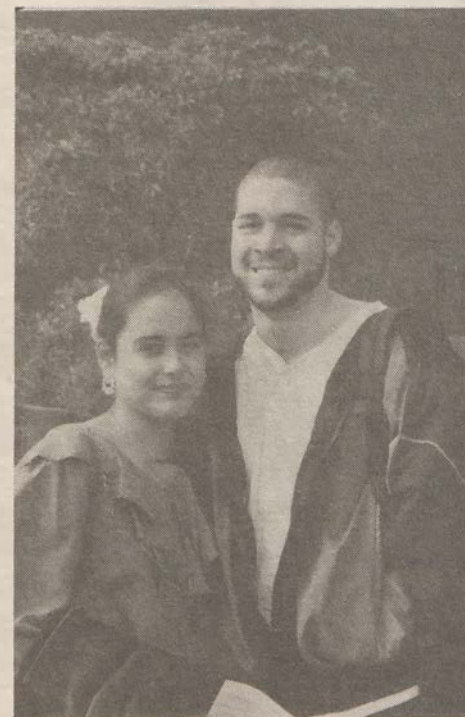
What do you think of the recent allegations of violence off-campus?



Kevin Kaberry, Kirk Evangeliou '94: We don't know. We haven't met a Providence cop we couldn't take!



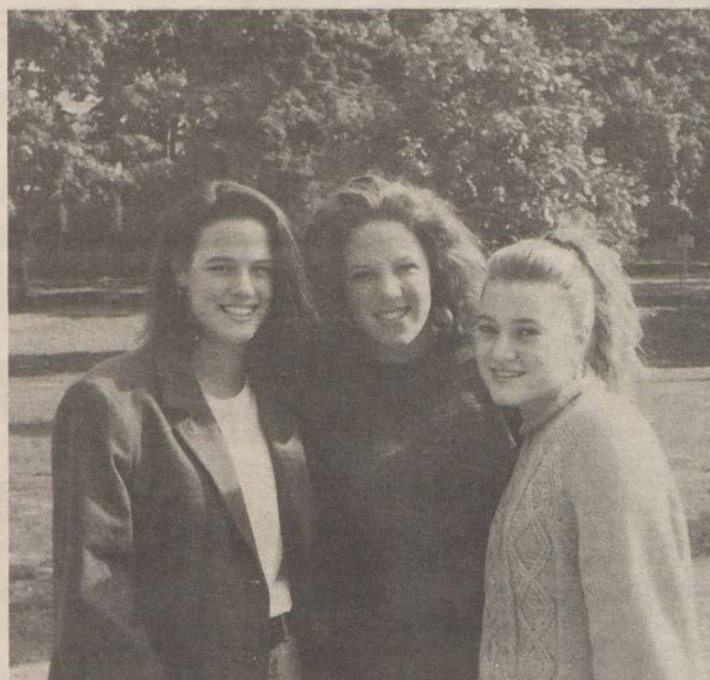
Ellen Cressy '96: The police have a civic duty to protect both PC students and the community. They should fulfill their responsibilities!



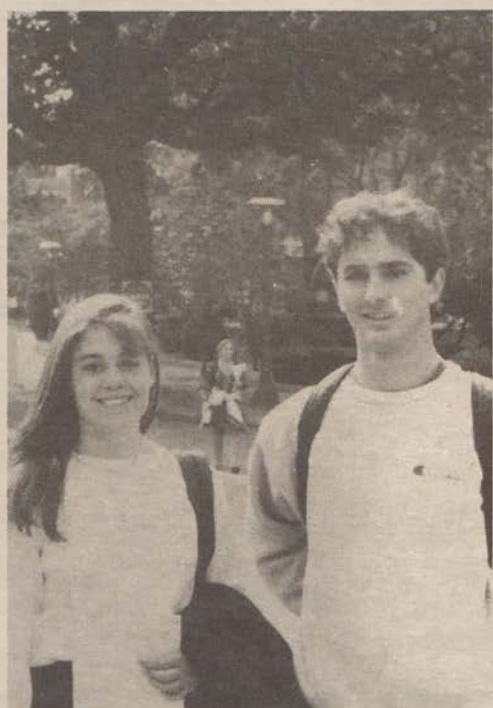
Nicole Limon, Wayne Johnson '95: Off-campus violence doesn't seem to be a priority to the Administration due to the fact that they have limited the shuttle bus routes.



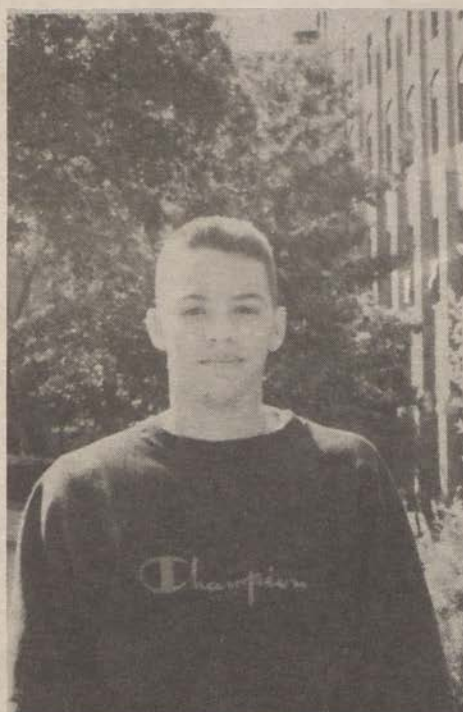
Rosy DiBiasi, Patty Clarkson, Heidi Picard '94: It rots! We think you should move to Admiral because no one bothers us there!



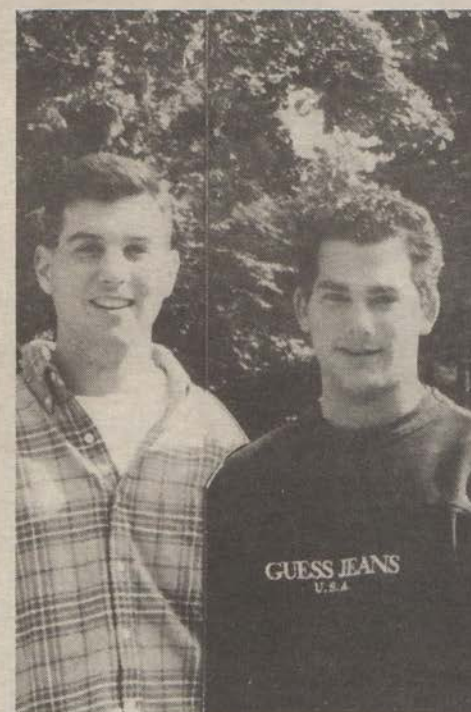
Kathleen O'Brien, Christine O'Malley, Jessica Mazzola '97: It's getting out of hand.



Rebecca Simone '96, Dave Bergeron '95: We don't think that we're getting the whole story.



James Giniso '96: I don't like it!



Rob Griffo, Matt Napoli '95: It may be exaggerated to an extent, although we think that the police could be a little more cooperative and compassionate in the handling of the situations.

Dina and Sue: On a serious note, if you have witnessed or if you know of any incidence of violence, please report it to Father McPhail in Slavin 302.

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I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the Providence College community. My name is Barbara Fioravanti and I am the coordinator for S.T.E.P. 1 program at Providence College. Some of you may be asking yourselves what is S.T.E.P. 1. Students Together Educating Peers (STEP) is a peer education program whose goal is to promote responsible decisions and behaviors involving alcohol. Our program encourages wellness in academic, residential, and social environments. Specially trained students, the peer educators of STEP 1, will help educate other students on problem-solving skills and making healthy choices. Peer educators have a real impact on promoting a healthy campus community. For more information about STEP 1, feel free to contact me at 865-2343. I am located in Slavin room 202.

When is it a problem?

1. Have you ever neglected classes in order to drink alcohol or because of a hangover?
2. Have friends or family told you to cut down on drinking alcohol?
3. Have you lost a friend or relationship because of drinking?
4. Do you drink alcohol to forget your problems?
5. Have you ever done anything while drinking alcohol that you now regret?

Sometimes one's alcohol use is more than one thinks or may want to think. Recognizing a potential problem is half the solution.
STEP 1

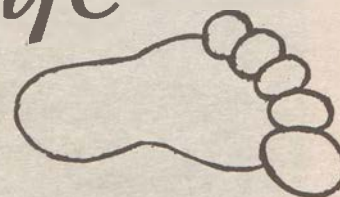
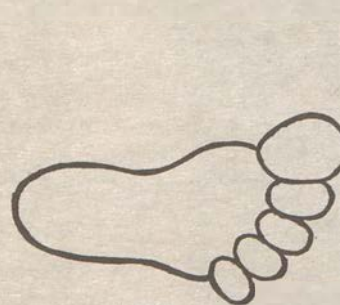
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Walk For Life



by Mary Malone '95
Class Representative

Soon, as you browse through the finer food options in Mondo, Mural, and Raymond Cafe, you'll be noticing bins set up asking for donations... and signs around campus announcing "some walk" on October 17? "What is all this?" you may ask in your confusion. Well, here's all your answers:

The Student Congress of Providence College is sponsoring a Walk-a-Thon to benefit an AIDS charity. We, and victims of AIDS all over Rhode Island need the help of Providence College students and faculty to make this event

successful. AIDS is a deadly disease that may affect you, a friend, or a loved one, if it has not already. By walking on October 17, you can help strike back against AIDS and show that you, as a member of the Providence College family, are not only concerned about your community but also the less fortunate who dwell within it. To participate in this event, all you need to do is pick up a sponsor sheet in the Student Congress office, find some several sponsors, mom, dad, grandma... (keeping in mind that you may sponsor yourself), and the money over to someone on Student Congress by October 17.

Sign in is at 12:30 pm. Walkers should gather in front of Peterson and check in before embarking on a 5 - mile course around the Providence College area. What better way is there to burn off the remnants of a long weekend?

Now, if you are for some reason unable to participate (like if you broke your foot) you may still help out by sponsoring a friend or even by slipping some of your spare change into one of those bins you see so frequently around campus. There's absolutely no way it could be better spent!

If you have any questions, please feel free to stop in to or call the Student Congress Office at x - 2419.

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CLASS OF '96

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CORE INTERVIEWS

Tuesday, October 12-
Thursday, October 14
6:00 - 11:00pm
in Slavin Room 303

Sign up by Friday, October 8
in Congress Office

Student Congress

Minutes From the October 4, 1993 Student Congress Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be no Student Congress Meeting next week due to Columbus Day.

The Athletic Department will be holding a Hockey Kick-off on October 16. There will be a mandatory Walk-a-Thon on October 17.

Ethics: "Congressperson of the Month" award goes to Nicole Dabekis for elections. The office will be getting a Recycle Bucket.

New markers are in, and all clubs should now go to the Club Room in Slavin 108 to make posters.

Food: Entertainment space in the ground floor of the Apartment buildings was discussed with Marriott Corp. Committee.

Elections: Cherie Levesque announced that elections went very well. 500 students voted.

Clubs & Organizations: The grand opening of the Club Room will be on Thursday 10/7. Expenditure sheets will be located in the Club Room.

Public Relations: The Walk-a-Thon will be on Sunday, 10/17. **Time & Space:** Monthly reports from committee heads are due.

BOARDS:

LAB: 3 on 3 Basketball and Ultimate frisbee are under way.

BOP: Tues. - Coffeehouse - Open Mic Night & Fried Dough; Thurs. - Movie - "The Cutting Edge".

Residence Board: First meeting on 10/5.

ACC: Apartment Social at Finnegan's Wake on 10/16 from 4:30 - 7:30.

CLASS REPORTS:

'94: 300 people attended the Clambake.

'95: JRW bids are on sale from Oct 4 - Oct 7 in room 120 Slavin. Cost=\$95.

'96: JRW Core Informational meeting 7pm in Slavin 203 on 10/4. Interviews will be Oct. 12-15 in Fr. McPhail's conference Room.

'97: Michael James thanked Congress for such a warm welcome.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

There will be a Pot Luck Dinner for Student Congress on Oct. 17th at 6pm in the Last Resort.

SOS
(Students Organized for Safety)

Debra Guilbert is organizing this committee and needs volunteer students who have ideas or suggestions about the safety of our school on and off campus.

This is a pilot program. It will take student input to get it off the ground.

Anyone interested please contact Ryan Alger in the Student Congress office or Debra Guilbert in the Apartment Complex office.

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GIANTS SOAR TO NEW HEIGHTS

by Mark Cybulski
A&E Editor

They Might Be Giants are anything but your typical rock band. The duo, consisting of accordionist-vocalist John Linnell and guitarist-vocalist John Flansburgh, have a unique sound and quirky approach to music that is all their own. The group performed their own brand of witty, hyperactive music to a packed house at Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel last Saturday night. They Might Be Giants played a nearly ninety minute show that highlighted some of their older classics as well as some innovative new material.

When John Flansburgh spoke to me from a laundromat in Memphis a few weeks ago, he told me a bit about the band's history and how they have progressed into a full band. Linnell and Flansburgh met in their childhood while going to grammar school in Massachusetts. They later went on to the same high school where they became fans of the new wave scene that included the Ramones, Talking Heads and Television. Linnell went on to play in several bands in the New York City area, while Flansburgh earned a degree at the Pratt Institute. Linnell and Flansburgh then decided to form their own duo, recording music in a home stu-

dio using tapes and a drum machine along with their trademark guitar and accordion. The duo took their name from an old movie from the seventies, *They Might Be Giants*, starring George C. Scott and Joanne Woodward. TMBG became quite popular on New York City's club circuit, which led them to record their self-

The duo has just celebrated the 10th anniversary of their Dial-A-Song service, in which you can call (718)-387-6962 and hear a different TMBG song every day. Flansburgh and Linnell also have a series of creative videos, with Flansburgh directing last year's hit "The Guitar." Flansburgh has also directed two videos for Frank

the fact that his band has now become a "full blown group." In the past, the duo used to depend upon a drum machine and pre-recorded tapes for a rhythm section. TMBG now have Brian Doherty on drums, Tony Maimone on bass, Kurt Hoffman on keyboards and Steven Bernstein on trumpet. Flansburgh says that the live

day to a nearly sold out crowd at Lupo's. The new rhythm section brings much more life to the group's older material. While some songs such as "Don't Let's Start", "Ana Ng" and "Birdhouse In Your Soul" sound whimsical on record, the new band gives these songs new life and adds more punch to them. They Might Be Giants also chose their set list very well. They experimented with several new songs and mixed them with familiar favorites. Whenever the show was reaching a low point due to unfamiliar material, the group rebounded and performed the older songs that made them famous, such as "The Statue Got Me High", "Lucky Ball and Chain" and "The Guitar." TMBG seemed to be loose and personable on stage, with Flansburgh and Linnell hyperactively jumping around and bantering with the audience. In response to the body surfing going on in the front row, Flansburgh merely said "Please cut it out. It's the nineties, punk rock is over."

They Might Be Giants are on their way to growing musically as a band. Their show at Lupo's seemed to be a good indication of the musical territory this band can explore. With a full band behind them, They Might Be Giants can only get more creative and therefore, only get better.



titled debut album on Bar/None Records in 1986. The duo also released Lincoln in 1988 and eventually signed on with Elektra Records and released *Flood* in 1990 and *Apollo 18* in 1992.

They Might Be Giants have always had an eccentric approach to their profession.

Black, formerly of the Pixies.

They Might Be Giants are currently on tour to support their latest EP, *Why Does The Sun Shine? (The Sun Is A Mass Of Incandescent Gas)*, whose title song was originally from a 1959 educational record called *Space Songs*. Flansburgh said that he was excited about

band is a "new chapter" in They Might Be Giants' history. He says that the band's sound is much fuller and more "musical." The duo plan to record an album with the new band, which will be released next year.

The band performed an outstanding show on Satur-

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Art Like It Has Never Been Done Before

by Cyndi Castello '95
Assistant A&E Editor

How often it is forgotten that art and entertainment is the unique aspect we use to escape from this humdrum society by which we are surrounded, submerged and suffocated. Without fear though we can always count on New York City and The Blue Man Group to keep things peculiar and extraordinary.

What is The Blue Man Group and why is it of our concern at PC?

The Blue Man Group is a trio of men who out of their severe frustration with the boring 1980's, created one of the most amazing, expressive, entertaining pieces of art ever created. The Blue Man Group consists of Matt Goldman, Phil Stanton and Chris Wink. They began performing outdoors around 1988 and slowly found themselves acting in a somewhat consistent manner. Soon The Blue Man Group moved indoors to the east village of Greenwich Village. The Group's move picked up two more very important people (Maria DiDia, the Executive

Producer and Marlene Swartz, the Director) also, it gave a sense of order to their skits. It is these skits, or as the Group calls them "signature bits", that are the heart and soul of these three men and their show which is titled *Tubes*. The word experimented was used earlier and is extremely important to keep in mind. Experimented is used because The Blue Man Group took every day ideas and materials and used them in ways no one would think possible or interesting. For example, they are artists not of photography, sculpting or paintings. They worked with action art, the need for motion and the concept of information overload. Chaos science related images such as tornadoes, vortexes and black lights were introduced and modified for the use of laughter and excitement.

To paint the best picture possible without ruining the surprises of the show, three of the signature skits will be described. The show began dynamically with three images of men playing drums. As the drum beats quickened and came to a halt the men appeared wearing all black except

for their faces. Their faces were decorated with a most vibrant blue paint. Once on stage, the "Paint Drumming" began. Out of a slot in the three men's shirts came three colors of paint. As each man played his drum and created an extremely different and personal rhythm their shirts bled the paint. The paints exploded and splashed above their heads onto a white, square piece of canvas. The end result, a work of art. Next began the "Marshmallow Catching Ceremony". In this skit two actions were occurring at once. One man was throwing an unbelievable amount of marshmallows into the second man's mouth while with the other hand he was throwing paint balls into the third man's mouth. With these paint balls, the third man chewed and spat. Sounds gross? Not really. As he was spitting he was again creating, a white canvas, a remarkable painting. The third skit to be discussed is called "The Feast". In this hysterical signature bit the three men invited a guest over to eat. That guest could be you, because audience participation is what makes half the show tick. Basically, "The Feast" is a very funny part, but, depending upon the audience participant, this can you laugh till you cry. Every day, nineteen-eighties inventions such as the clapper, the dustbuster, twinkies and electronic display signs were rein-

troduced on a much lighter, almost absurd level. To keep the suspense level high, it will just be said that the following two skits experiment with breakfast cereal and the human ear as a percussion instrument. The signature bits only get better with time, almost to the point that any extent of more innovative thought seemed unimaginable. The Blue Man Group developed a relationship with P.S. 122, which is an art group, which aided in their start at the East 9th Street location. With this, they also extended a field trip program which sent performances of the *Tubes* all over the United States and Europe. The Blue Man Group's recent performances of the *Tubes* won The Lucille Lortel Award and The Drama Desk Award. The Group is also planning on releasing a CD in the near future. That should be a CD like no

other!

The show is currently at the Astro Place Theatre. It is shown six nights a week at 7pm and 10 pm and on Sundays at 5pm and 7pm. Tickets run from \$22 to \$35. For most shows, it is important to get front and center seats, this is not recommended for the *Tubes* because things could get slightly messy and chaotic.

Blue Man Group: Tubes is a must see! Why sit back and watch society become more and more humdrum? Why not let drums make the hum!

For more information write:
Blue Man Group
Cooper Station
P.O. Box 1495
NY, NY 10276

WDOM GETS A SAMPLE FORM: THE "SAMPLES"

by Bernadette Bleichert
Asst. A&E Editor

WDOM has done it again! The Samples are returning to visit the station here at P.C. for their second in-studio interview ever! Tune in to 91.3 FM on Monday the 11th at 6 o'clock p.m. to catch the Samples chillin' out with Brian and Dave. There's even a possibility that they may perform a song or two LIVE! That's right! WDOM will hang out with the Samples for a while before their concert at Club Baby Head, which should be a sellout. The club is located at 73 Richmond Street. Tickets are \$9.50 in advance and \$10.50 at the door. Nevertheless, a good suggestion is to listen to WDOM faithfully, because the DJ's will be giving away tickets to this awesome concert all this week.

WDOM just keeps getting bigger and better by broadening its horizons. Speaking of horizons, pump up the volume on your radios on Sunday the 10th at 7:00p.m. to the Progressive Horizons Show to hear some live music from Honeybone, who are opening for the S on Monday

night. WDOM firmly believes in giving new bands like Honeybone plenty of air time. It's unbelievable how the station has been able to foresee so many really good bands before their time, such as, Big Head Todd and the Monsters and Toad the Wet Sprocket. WDOM has brought these groups and a multitude of others to the forefront in the Providence listening area. In addition, to those of you out there who have been in hibernation, WDOM has also been visited by members of Pearl Jam, the Spin Doctors, and Chris Harford to name a few.

For this week, though, keep your ears focused on WDOM to try to win tickets to Samples and Honeybone. Even if you're not a huge fan of the Samples now, there's no doubt you'll turn into one the more you listen to WDOM. The Samples new CD "The Last Drag," which is currently #1 on the WDOM chart, according to D-Man, a rock director at the station, is a must hear! How psyched would you be if you didn't have to cough up ten dollars, but could still go to this amazing concert for free? Just tune in to 91.3 FM to win!

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The Last Resort

Lent's Laments V-P Gives Latest FUN Facts on Upcoming Events!

by Alison Lent '94
BOP Vice President

Comedy Show, Hypnotist, Newport Trip, Outdoor Concert, Airball, Gyro, Trip to the Mall, Outdoor Movie, Coffeehouses, Cruise to Nowhere, Trip to Thayer Street, Miss Saigon, First Stag Dance, Greg Brady, Weekly movies, Apple Picking, Open Mic Night, Medieval Manor, etc....

These are just a few of the FUN events the Board of Programers has already brought to PC so far this year. The members of BOP have been spending a significant amount of time, effort, and money to program such quality events for you, the students. But the fun does not end here. There are plenty more, new, and interesting events to come.

Just to mention a few, this Thursday night, October 7th, the Film Committee will be showing *The Cutting Edge* in Moore Hall. At the Coffeehouse, you can create your own beaded necklace or bracelet on Tuesday, October 12th. For those of you who are over 21, there will be a Reggae Night at the Last Resort on Friday, October 15th. Also, planned for the first time, on the 15th, the Social Committee will be sponsoring a late night "Scavenger Hunt" from 8 p.m. - 1 a.m. Cash prizes will be awarded to the students who can scrounge up the most items. In addition, the Fine Arts Committee has scheduled a one day trip to the "Big Apple" on October 16th.

So, come join in on all the FUN! And keep your eyes peeled for upcoming event dates and times. Remember, anyone who has helpful suggestions on how BOP can better program events for the student body, please don't hesitate to contact the BOP office.

Thanks and I'll see you all at the next BOP event.

P.S. Hey Joey Downes—

Maybe, BOP could lend rugby a couple of million out of our 2.7 billion dollar budget. We'll talk!

Hugs and kisses,

Ali Lent

Friday, October 15th
Over 21 presents:

Reggae Night

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Friday,
October 15th

Social presents:

Scavenger Hunt

- * Meet at 7:30 p.m. in '64 Hall
- * Sign ups in the BOP Office
- * 3 to 5 people per team
- * First prize: \$100!
- * Second prize: \$50!
- * Third prize: \$25!

Saturday, October 16th

Fine Arts presents:

A New York Museum Trip

- * Buses leave from Huxley Gate at 8:00 a.m. & return to PC at 11:00 p.m. (leave from St. Patrick's Cathedral in NYC at 6:00 p.m.)

- * Tickets \$9 in the BOP Office
- * co-sponsored by the Art History Department

Features

JRW: Dream or Nightmare?

by Tina Kloter '95
Asst. Features Editor

Have you found yourself searching frantically through your "meat sheet?" Do you wake up in a cold sweat after nightmares of rejection? Have you been spending most of your waking hours with just three letters on your mind? Well, I'm not surprised, JRW does strange things to people. After making it through two years of Civ, the class of '95 has finally gone off the deep end. Here are a few things that I've noticed...

The Junior High Game- The majority of juniors have reverted to the communication methods of middle

school. This method involves talking to everyone at the whole school except for the person who you want to ask. I've heard a lot of conversations like this one: Girl- "My friend's brother's next door neighbor told my roommate to tell me to tell you that she thinks you're cute." Guy- "Cool." Although this system is not ineffective, it can be frustrating and embarrassing. For example, after trusting

the secret of who you are going to ask to JRW to your best friend, you will probably hear it broadcast on WDOM.

JRW Anxiety Attacks- For something that is supposed to be fun, JRW sure makes a lot of people miserable. I saw hysterical groups of juniors, mysteriously effected by JRW, trying to rip down the JRW signs outside of Slavin. They were all laughing in a deranged manner and I heard one of them say, "Take that, you fiendish spawn of Hades. See how many people go to your evil Dionysian festival now! Ha ha ha!" Other juniors simply sit in Mondo, alternately sobbing and screaming at people who ut-

iors who are taken. The second kind will have bright orange smily faces and will be worn by those who are still eligible. The committee who is in charge of this project also hopes to post a list in lower Slavin which will keep track of who is still fair game. This program promises to maintain some small degree of sanity among juniors. There are, however, a few more radical plans.

Scoping Smith Street- I've heard that some juniors plan to drive up and down Smith Street in search for dates. They hope to recruit some eighth-graders from LaSalle Academy who look at least sixteen. They invite all dateless juniors to give it a try. (Warning: This program may not be legal, so you might not want to try it. I'd hate to see what the police do to PC students when they actually do something wrong.)

If none of these options work for you, don't worry. I've heard that Friar Boy doesn't look so bad in a tux. Or there's always your roommate's younger siblings. Whatever you decide to do, try not to take it too seriously. It may involve rings and it might last for a whole weekend, but it's not a lifetime commitment. It is stressful, though. So, I would like to offer some advice to freshmen and sophomores- It's never too early. If I were you, I'd find a JRW date now!

I looked
At her and
Saw...
Skyrockets



ter the dibolical letters. I've even seen a few juniors who are carrying signs that say, "I'm desperate, how about you?" These tragic stories have inspired some students to take action.

Pins for Partners- This campaign was started in the hopes of lessening JRW tension. The plan is to hand out two different kinds of pins. The first kind will have a skull and crossbones on them and will be given to all jun-

Hello... PC Calling

by Jen Stebbins '94
Features Writer

"GOOD AFTERNOON, THIS IS YOUR ALMA MATER CALLING..."

I had never participated in a phonathon until this past week. For those of you unfamiliar with the purpose of such an undertaking, it is a very easy procedure. We were set up in a room full of forty students with telephones (I too was shocked that the alumni association trusted college kids with free long distance telephone services) where we ever so politely made calls to alumni to ask for their support. It was actually fun once I got the hang of it...

Okay, so my first day on the job was definitely an amusing one. There I was, sitting amongst my peers, facing the phone. I'd been given instructions on exactly what to say. Yet it took me ten minutes just to collect myself - I don't think my ears had ever heard so many students being so gooishly polite at the same time. Now, don't get me wrong and think that I was astonished that PC's student body has manners, it was just so funny to hear how friends of mine, talked on the phone!

"Yes, hello. Good afternoon. May I please speak with Mr. Sparro?" For some reason, the whole situation struck me as pure comedy.

"Oh, he's not available? When might be a good time to reach him?" May I

please? WHAT IS THAT? Try to envision this with the fluctuating tones that people use when they are trying to be persuasive, and I'm sure you can imagine the sweet, sappy voices around me. After my initial giggles, I decided to give it a try. It never even crossed my mind that I might be embarrassed on the phone, but my first call went something like this,

"GoodAfternoonMrs. Carol IamcallingonbehalfofProvidence Collegeetoseeifyouwouldpledge forth93-94AnnualFund."

Not a great way to make a good first impression. I didn't even understand it myself. No need to worry, I improved with time.

I think phonathons are a great idea. I was able to speak with graduates of P.C. who now live in Hawaii, California, and other far away places. (Hey, for a small town girl from Connecticut, that's interesting and inspiring!) And after I got into the correct "phone-speak" I was able to carry on conversations with judges, lawyers, doctors—you name it, and Providence has an alumni to fit the description. Now, I'm so confident on the phone that I was thinking of going after a longer career in this field...

"Yes, good afternoon Father Cunningham, this is the Cowl office. We're calling you today to see if you would be interested in sponsoring our co-ed naked creative writing seminar? ..."

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Laughter: The Best Medicine

by Beth Brezinski '94
Features Writer

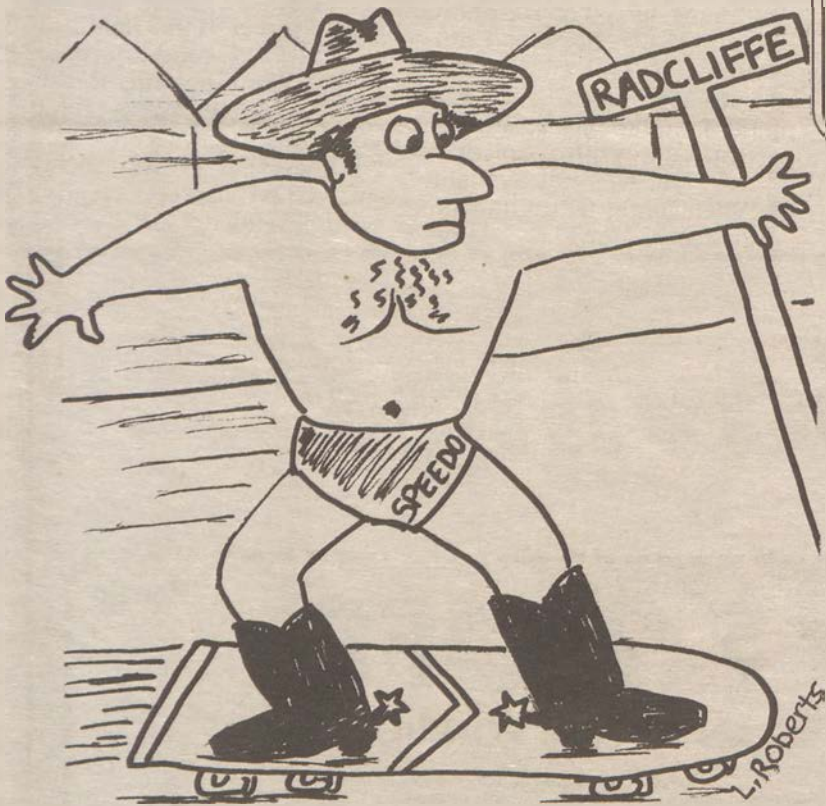
Want to hear something funny? So would I, especially when I'm procrastinating or in a rotten mood. What is it about laughter that draws people together and always brightens someone's mood? No matter how upset I am over something, hearing a joke or a funny story always seems to crack a smile on my face. When I find something especially humorous, I have a tendency to burst out laughing loudly which sometimes causes people to suddenly turn their heads in bewilderment wondering who or what is making that horrid banshee sound.

I honestly believe though, that laughter is the best medicine. Obviously if you are suffering from severe trauma or depression, you are not going to come out of it when you hear, "So, this guy walks into a bar..." But, you are probably going to wish you were that guy walking into that bar (with a credit card in your wallet). Anyone who is stressed, mildly depressed,

self on a cool September night? How about your roommates getting a dancing gorilla for you on your birthday? Or even better, sneaking into Guzman to tack up photos of nude male bodies from Playgirl with the heads of male friends glued on them. I obviously made these up off the top of my head but I'm sure anyone would get a kick out of them.

So why does everyone enjoy laughing and sharing comical adventures? I think it's because laughter makes people happy and because it is something all people have in common. Everyone has done something stupid at least once in their life; the majority of us do stupid things all the time. This mutual sense of temporary stupidity bonds human beings with one another - at least that's the way I see it.

So the next time you see something out of the ordinary and you think someone else will enjoy hearing about it, share your story and put a smile on that person's face - it will make both of you happy.



bored or just plain unhappy will surely appreciate a ray of sunshine in the form of a decent joke (or an attempt at one) or sharing a funny experience.

Even other people's misfortunes and mishaps can make a small dilemma in your life seem bearable when it is something that can be laughed about. For instance, a friend of mine was crossing the street in her hometown when a bird flew over and took a dump on her head. I'm sure she wasn't too thrilled with that particular bird at the time this happened but I had tears rolling down my face from laughing so hard. It also cheered me up a little after having been depressed for a while.

Have you ever seen someone run down Radcliffe in a black toga, cowboy hat and red boxer shorts by him-

I'm in Love with a Sports Freak!

by Vera Schomer '96
Features Editor

WE INTERRUPT THIS RELATIONSHIP FOR THE FOOTBALL SEASON...

Yes girls, you've seen it, you live it, you hate it. Your boyfriend is a sports fanatic — from football to basketball, hockey, baseball, maybe even tennis — he never misses a game, or at least the scores and highlights. Go out to breakfast and he'll bring the sports pages, only to embarrass you with his cheering and grunting over coffee. Plan to hang-out on Sundays and know that you will spend the whole afternoon glued to the TV watching football.

If you're as unlucky as I am, you may even have to sit around and listen to him calling in his line-up for fantasy football leagues. He says, "Honey, by the end of the season we'll be rich!" But chances are he'll be begging you for \$50-\$100 to pay off his gambling debts.

If for some reason he were to miss a game because of some life or death obligation, rest assured that he will stay up late for Sports Center on ESPN. Just him, maybe you, and his pal Chris Berman.

And how about when he does make an effort to be ro-

mantic? Yes he'll take you out to dinner, but on the way there, you will be soothed with the romantic (crackling, static) sounds of Mike and the Maddog on "Sports Radio 66 — WFAN!" or any other irritating AM station.

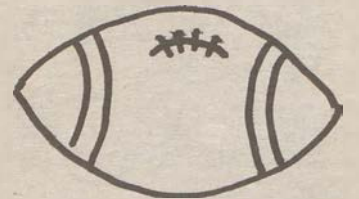
Don't forget the long phone calls — sweet nothings interrupted by: "Alright!", "No Way!", "Call the foul!", and of course, "I'm sorry, what we're you saying honey?" After that exciting, long-awaited play, he may even have to put down the phone for a high-five and a PeeWee Herman tequila dance with his buddies.

I must admit that dating a sports fanatic isn't always that bad... Luckily, I have always loved basketball, and somehow, my man has manipulated my mind in such a way that my interest in football and baseball has also peaked. I even find myself answering those random sports trivia questions on TV! However, cuddling to Red Sox and Yankee games is not yet my idea of fun.

So ladies, what can we do to get back some of that much deserved attention from our beloved sports addict? First off, try a compromise. Say you will give up your night of 90210 and Melrose Place if

he can survive without Monday Night Football. If that doesn't work, send anonymous letters to Fr. McPhail reminding him that expanded cablevision on campus will only result in less study and spiritual time.

If your methods of diplomacy and political activism don't work, continue the battle on a level that he can relate to. Remind him how Emmitt Smith didn't put out for the Dallas Cowboys for over a month until his demands were met. Hmm... the Dallas Cowboys were pretty frustrated after a month of not getting any Emmitt — how do you think your boyfriend would feel after a month long hold-out?



In the end, if all else fails and you still think he's a big time score, go out and get your own season tickets and enjoy the show. Don't forget, there are always commercials and halftime.

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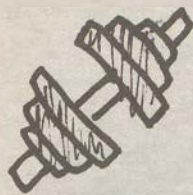
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Features



A Love Story: Sweaty Men and Their Egos

by Bridget Hughes '96
Asst. Features Editor

It's a place no woman can enter without feeling a little scared. It is a place of iron and machinery. If you dare enter, you are confronted with males grunting and pushing, and if you think you can deal with that, then try dealing with the macho attitudes that plague this room. If you haven't already guessed, this room is the weight room in Peterson. Every day, flocks of men trudge towards Peterson Center carrying those stylish thick leather belts that are "oh so cool", ready for 30-60 minutes of pushing, pulling and lifting. In other words, 30-60 minutes of ego - macho workout. (a.k.a.-male bonding)

Now don't get me wrong, I like exercise as much as the next person. I am a firm believer that exercise is good for the heart, and for the self. So why do I mock this male weight-lifting ritual? Well, where should I begin? First of all, this weight-lifting thing is more than a form of exercise. It provides an ego boost taken far beyond the normal realms of feeling good about the self. The weight room is full of men who worship or want to worship their bodies. They just get bigger and big-

ger, and don't stop.

If you have ever been in the weight room, you will notice that there are mirrors strategically placed all over. My question to you is, why? Is this a clothing store where men and women are trying on clothes? No. Then there's

this ego problem.

Another reason I mock this weight-lifting male thing is because of the noises. If you ever happen to walk by the weight room, you might think that from the words, "push" and "You can do it," along with the out of breath

their workout, the tradition is to trek down to the nautilus room. (This is always a favorite thing to do. Why? To check out all the girls who work out? No. They go to the nautilus room because there is a scale there. For some reason, unlike females, males like to weigh themselves to see how much weight they have gained. Yes, that's right. While we females struggle to keep those pounds off, the males do extra things to keep those pounds on. Go figure. What do they do? Well, the obvious is the lifting of the weights, because we all know muscle weighs more than fat. But it gets better. Let's take one particular male that I know who has a powdered drink called "Weight Gain". This drink is mixed with milk in a blender, and drunk before pumping iron. Of course, those nights at Louie's and Brad's don't hurt in the weight gain process. What's funny is that they take it very personally when they find out that they have lost 3 lbs instead of gaining 5. (Gee guys - it must be tough.)

Another problem is that if you happen to be a female, and you happen to walk in the weight room, you just might happen to feel like a piece of meat at a meat mar-

ket. The stares that you will get express attitudes like, "How dare you enter this male domain?" and "You can only lift the bar?" But more power to the woman who can stand this staring problem, as well as dealing with the male egos in such an enclosed area.

What it all comes down to is that these men take great pride in their workouts. Even though we all know that it is just a guy thing that somehow allows them to feel better about themselves. (Don't ask me how sweating, and moaning in pain can allow someone to feel better about themselves. But that's beside the point.) If they think that what they are doing impresses anyone, they are sadly mistaken. All it does for me is makes me laugh once in a while. And when I realize the things guys do to impress girls, and the other males around them, it makes me laugh even harder, especially when I think about the fact that we females go to school with these pathetic ego-ciser, macho, over-crazed, over-worked men. But, as long as they think that they look good, and think that they can impress us, working out is the answer. The positive outlook is that they are not only building their muscles, but also their heads.

Where's My Protein Shake!!



no need for the mirrors...right? Wrong! We all know that the mirrors are just another part of the ego trip. The men like to look at themselves while they pump and push and ego-cise. Don't ask me why. I mean who wants to look at himself when their clothes are stuck to their body and beads of sweat are rolling down their faces? Obviously these mirrors just add to the severity of

grunting noises, the weight room is either a torture house, or a pleasure palace. Is it really that hard for men to lift those weights that they feel the need to grunt? I guess so, because men are pushing themselves too hard when they try to impress each other as they lift weights that are too heavy for them. Or is it just another part of the male bonding thing?

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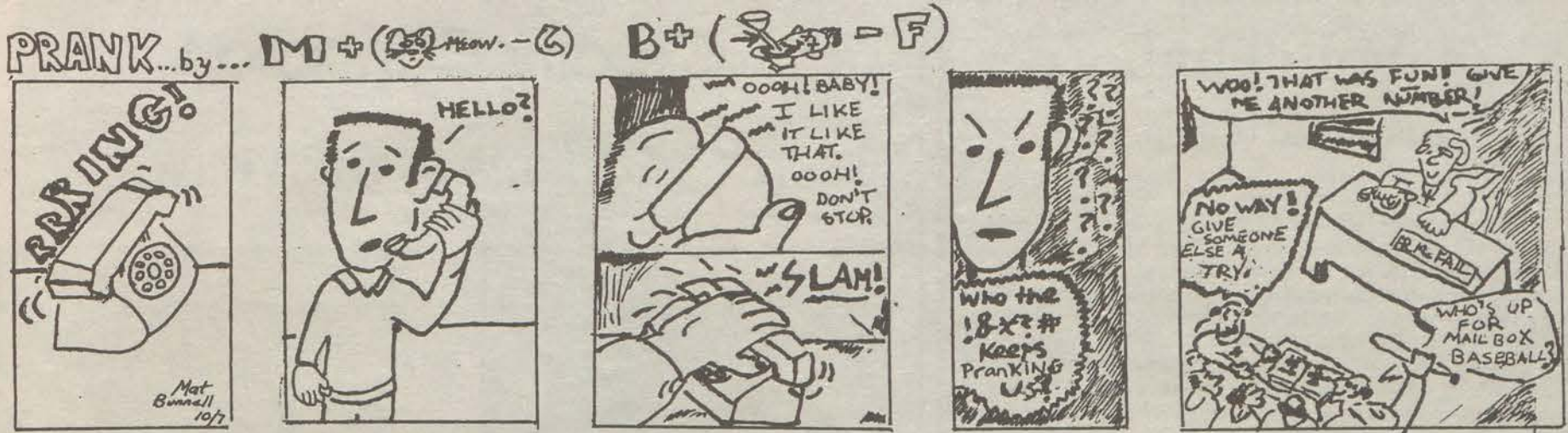
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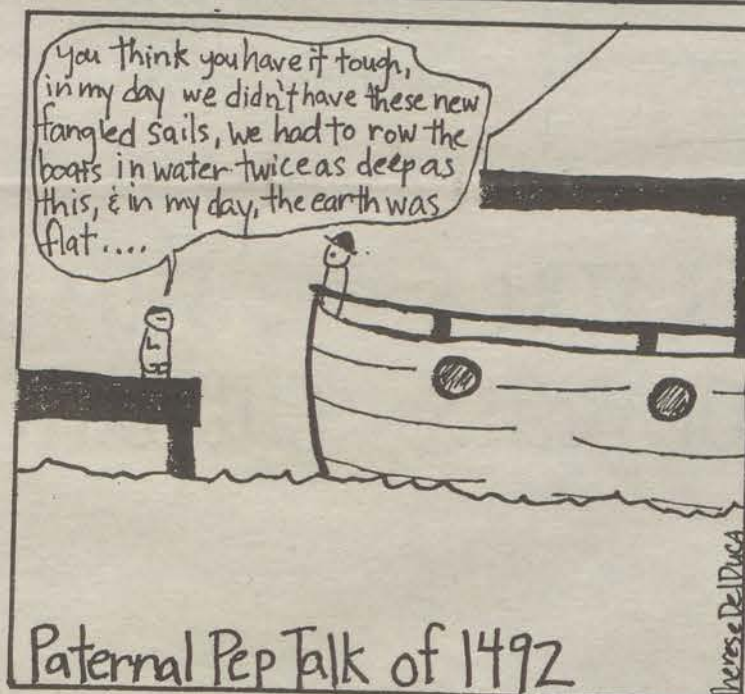
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Lack of Professionalism [lák-of-Prôfeshónalism] - When one of Superior Status ex. Governor, Senator, Student Congress President, etc., responds to a cartoon segment which obviously got under his skin.

Conflict of Interests [Cônflikt é l Intéréstâ] - Allocating Funds for such things as sweatshirts, pullovers, windbreakers, private banquets, and oak framed pictures instead of Uniforms and coaches (for starters) for some 110 students (Men's and Women's Rugby Combined); When certain members of Student Congress aren't interested in your organization.

I would like to apologize to B.O.P. for mistating their allocations from Student Congress. I forgot that after charging for each event, their budget "skyrockets" from 2.7 Billion dollars to 4.2 Billion dollars. Sorry for any inconvenience I may have caused.

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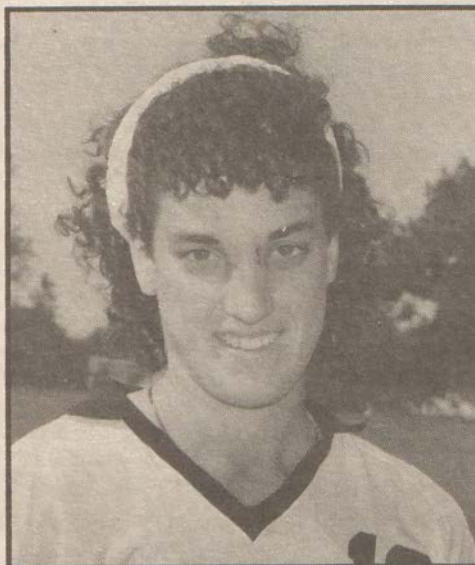
Wednesday night the Lady Friars met the Northeastern University Huskies at Alumni Hall. Coming off a tough weekend, this was just what the doctor ordered. The first game saw the Lady Friars play an excellent all-around game featuring good defense and powerful offense, and the final score was 15-1.

The second game saw more of the same excellent play by the Lady Friars, resulting in a 15-7 victory that featured the debut of freshman Carol Lukasik, who had been practicing with the team but had not appeared in a regular season game. The final game saw the Lady Friars take a 15-5 decision marked by more of the great play that had characterized the first two games, particularly the strong defense of Liz Lynch and the serving of Cate Rohrs. "We were extremely relaxed tonight. We had exceptional execution tonight and it gave us a chance to get everyone in, including Carol Lukasik, who played well."

Well, volleyball fans, the Lady Friars have a full schedule for the next week, facing Hofstra at Hofstra University in New York on Saturday and then Niagara University at Niagara, then heading to Boston for a conference match against Boston College next Wednesday. In fact, after this weekend, the Lady Friars face five conference opponents in the next three weeks—the Big East schedule is in full swing. The Hofstra match has extra focus because PC hasn't beaten Hofstra in four years—no one on this year's squad has ever beaten Hofstra. Coach Bagge says "We should start peaking soon. We have to maintain our focus for the Big East season. We can't let up—no matter who we're facing. We have to smooth out the rough edges so when the tournament comes we'll be solid." So let's get out and make some noise for the Lady Friars volleyball squad as they travel to Hofstra this weekend, because they want this win bad. The Big East schedule looms large on the horizon, and the Lady Friars volleyball squad is ready to cut that schedule down to size.

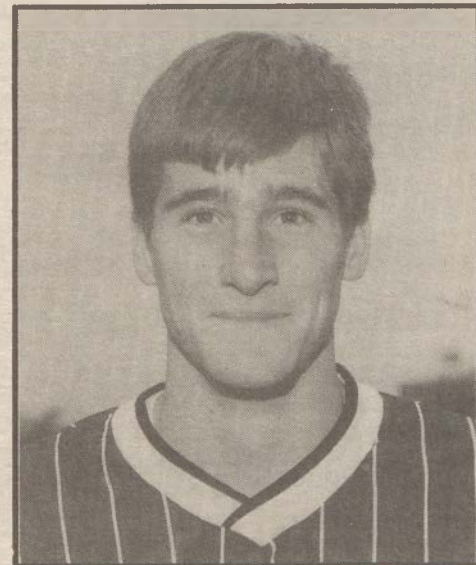
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PC Athletes of the Week



Cathy Guden (Watertown, Mass.)
Senior: Women's Field Hockey

In three wins last week, Guden scored five goals and dished out an assist. Against Boston College, she tallied all three PC goals in a crucial 3-1 win. Four days later, she scored the game winner in a 1-0 victory over Colgate. In Tuesday's 2-1 decision over Brown, she had a goal and an assist to lead the Lady Friars to the win.



Matt Baldwin (Conroe, Texas)
Junior: Men's Soccer

Baldwin scored the game winning goal in Providence's 2-1 win over URI in the second overtime period. The goal came with just under eight minutes to play. The win snapped a five-game losing streak for the Friars.

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Do I Wanna "Be Like Mike"?

Matt Mlodzinski '94
Sports Editor

"Be Like Mike". Gatorade soft drink built an entire advertisement campaign around this phrase. In many ways, all basketball fans would love to be like Michael Jordan. When it comes to physical and monetary accomplishments, being like Mike sounds pretty good. He has won three consecutive NBA crowns (while being named playoff MVP each year) and seven consecutive scoring titles. He has been the regular season MVP three times and has been chosen an all-star every one of his nine years in the NBA. He earns millions and millions of dollars a year in contracts and endorsements. How could anyone get tired of this?

Quite obviously, Michael Jordan, the man, was tired of being Michael Jordan, the basketball player. His announcement Wednesday morning that he would retire after nine amazing NBA seasons came as a shock to the entire world. He said that the love of the game of basketball was no longer there. The death of his father, James, showed Michael

just how fast you can lose the things and people that you love.

I don't claim to know what is going through Michael Jordan's mind. I do think that Jordan's retirement won't last that long at all, especially if the Bulls start to struggle this season. There is no way that Jordan could sit at home and watch his team lose while he is still physically able to perform. I bet by the middle of the season, he'll get the itch to play again. Just look at Magic Johnson. He still hasn't lost the drive to play.

Again, think about the phrase "Be Like Mike". When we see this in commercials, we think of being like Mike on the basketball court. Nothing wrong with that. But what about being Mike off the court? Is this really something you would want? It would be great to famous, but it wouldn't be as fun to be deprived of life's simple pleasures.

Michael Jordan can't do most of the things that we all do on a regular basis. He wants to run to the mall with his wife? Yeah right, he'd barely make it in the door before he was mobbed by fans. Wants to stop and pick up some milk? Same thing. Wants to go out to dinner? He wouldn't

be able to take two consecutive bites without being disturbed.

Whenever he has gone out in public recently, the press is on him like white on rice. Rumors are flying everywhere about gambling problems and his father's death. The man is trying to deal with a horrible tragedy, and every two seconds a reporter puts a microphone in his face. Do you get the picture I'm trying to paint? Imagine having to deal with your dad's murder with the whole nation watching your every move.

I think Michael Jordan longs to "be like us". He would love to just be an "average Joe". Maybe he feels that by leaving the limelight of pro basketball, he can become more like the rest of us. How long this feeling will last is hard to tell. Only time will give us the answers.

I have heard people say that he is the luckiest person in the world. He has it all and he is financially set for the rest of his life. Well, looking at what he has to deal with every day, I have one strong feeling: Michael Jordan may be the luckiest man in the world, but I wouldn't want to be him.

On To The Big Easts

Justin Macione '95
Assistant Sports Editor

When one thinks of sporting events in Florida this weekend, the first thing that comes to mind is Saturday's college football duel of the year in Tallahassee. Around 1:00 p.m., Charlie Ward and the Florida State Seminoles will try to put to rest their hated rivals, the University of Miami Hurricane. About 500 miles south, the Lady Friar tennis team and the rest of the Big East will descend upon Miami for the Big East Championships are faced with a similar task; throwing the Hurricanes out to sea.

Despite the unlikelihood of that outcome, PC coach Carl LaBranche feels very confident about PC's chances to finish in the upper echelon, following an impressive week of practice and victories over St. Johns and Tufts. Not to be outdone, The Friar netmen showed their fortitude in a stunning 4-3 comeback win over the University of Connecticut.

Following an impressive win against the University of Hartford last week, the Lady Friars put in a hard week of practice for their match against St. Johns on Sunday. It obviously paid off as PC shutout the Johnnies 6-0, playing on the rubbery Peterson surface due to the rain. After quickly disposing of St. Johns, the Lady Friars took advantage of their last day of practice on Monday before Big East Tournament.

Tennis

College tennis then returned to the Fennel I Tennis Center on Tuesday, when the Lady Friars prepared for their southern swing by defeating Tufts University 6-3. PC was led by Senior Kristin Brooks, who employed a tenacious serve and volley game in her 6-2, 6-1 victory over Alexandra Montilla. Junior Jen Dullea, finally getting accustomed to the tough #2 spot, outlasted Gwynne Holcombe 6-4, 6-1 for her second straight victory. The rest of the singles lineup showed a similar display of consistency, the lone casualty being Doryan Hughes' hard fought 2-6, 7-6(7-4), 6-4 loss to Rita Klissas. In the doubles arena, Brooks and fellow co-captain Hillary Debbs led the Lady Friars with a 6-1, 6-0 thrashing of Klissas and Montilla.

Before leaving for sunny Florida, a confident Brooks provided an analysis of PC's 6-3 record; "We're really pleased with how we rebounded from last weekends disappointments at Rutgers. Everyone has picked their game up the past couple of weeks, and Doryan and Hillary are having great senior years".

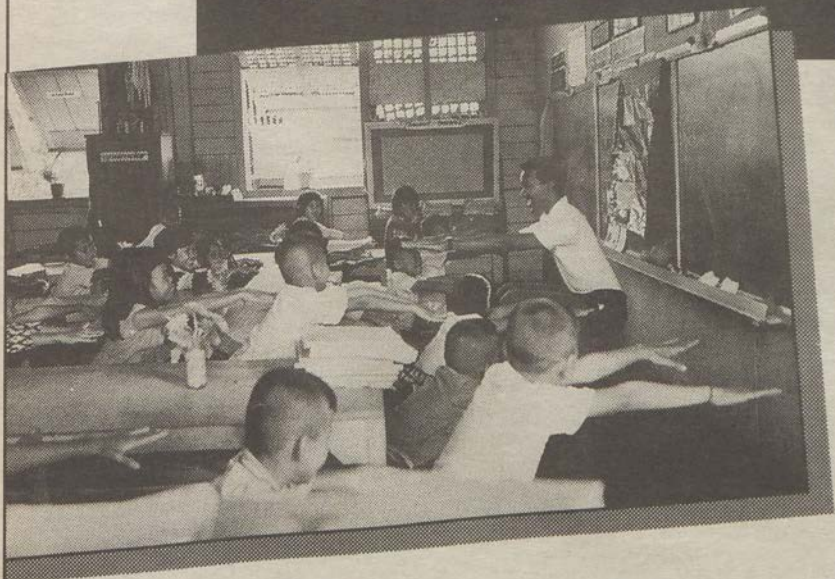
As the topic shifts to the Big East, the Lady Friars acknowledge that Syracuse and Miami will probably be fighting for the top spot. "Miami and Syracuse traditionally have great tennis programs, and about four other teams including ourselves are at the next level. It would be a great achievement if we were able to finish in third place this weekend. Hopefully we won't get picked to play Miami or Syracuse in the first round.", observed Coach LaBranche. Brooks also uttered similar sentiments; "It would be great if we finished third ahead of Seton Hall, which is an excellent team at our level". If faced with an Orange Crush though, Brooks will be well prepared after bowing to Erica O'Neill 6-4, 6-4 in the Syracuse Invitational. This is a most respectable score though, considering O'Neill is the 27th ranked player in the country.

On the men's side, Coach LaBranche took his troops to Storrs, Connecticut to face the defending New England champion Huskies. After losing their doubles matches and seeing Tom Noud and Steve Sullivan go down in defeat, the younger remaining Friars could have given up. Freshman Steve Newton would have none of this though, downing Andy Graham 6-3, 6-4. Fellow Frosh Chris Webber then came back against Brian Mornahan 3-6, 6-2, 7-6. Sophomores Jimmy Ogden and Paul Gagliardi also mounted third set comebacks to lead the Friars to a stunning 5-4 victory. With the ECAC Championships this weekend, the Friars seem to be brimming with confidence.

Following the match LaBranche expressed amazement at the improvement of his youthful, yet deep Friars; "Today was a lot of fun seeing these guys put together such a great comeback. These guys are a lot of fun to watch and, and the scary part is they haven't even realized their potential yet". Asked about their potential fortunes in the ECAC, LaBranche added; "We'll probably be seeded 14th or 15th, with Yale and Harvard being the favorites. We might not crack the top ten, but if the guys keep their hard work they'll end up pretty close".

Following this weekend's tournament happenings, the Friars and Lady Friars will enjoy another week at home. The Lady Friars will play Harvard on Wednesday, October 13th, and then both the men and women will host Bowdoin on Saturday.

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Sports

Taking On The Heavies

Lady Friars Fare Well Against High Ranked Opponents

Todd Bianchi '95
Sports Writer

Believe it or not soccer fans the last time the Lady Friars played a home game it was 1992. Now almost a year and a newly sodded field later the Lady Friars were finally home again on Wednesday. But as usual somethings never change - the quality of their opponents. After playing 3 games in a row against nationally ranked teams, the Friars played yet another in Hartford.

Last Wednesday the Friars took on Dartmouth, but were turned away by the 20th ranked team in the country 3-1. The lone Friar goal came from Karen Stouffer, her second of the year. Then last weekend the Friars traveled south to the warm weather confines of William & Mary in Virginia. Once there they took on two nationally ranked teams, Duke and UMass. The Friars first took on UMass, #10 in the country, on Saturday but were shutout for the third time this season. The only goal of the game came in, of course you guessed it, overtime. In four overtime games this year the Friars are 1-2-1.

On Sunday, the Friars came ready to play. Facing the 6th ranked Duke Blue Devils the Friars played one of their best games of the year. Although Duke bombarded Jen Mead with shots the Lady Friars were able to make their shots count. In the second half of action with just a few minutes left Liz Holmes was

able to connect on a shot to the low corner and score her second game winning goal of the year. The Friars were able to walk away from the weekend with a new sense of pride, knowing that they can compete and win against some of the best teams in the country.

On Wednesday, the Friars took on 4th ranked Hartford and were most definitely pumped up for this one. Not only were they coming off one of their biggest wins of the season, but it was also their first home game of the year. The result was the

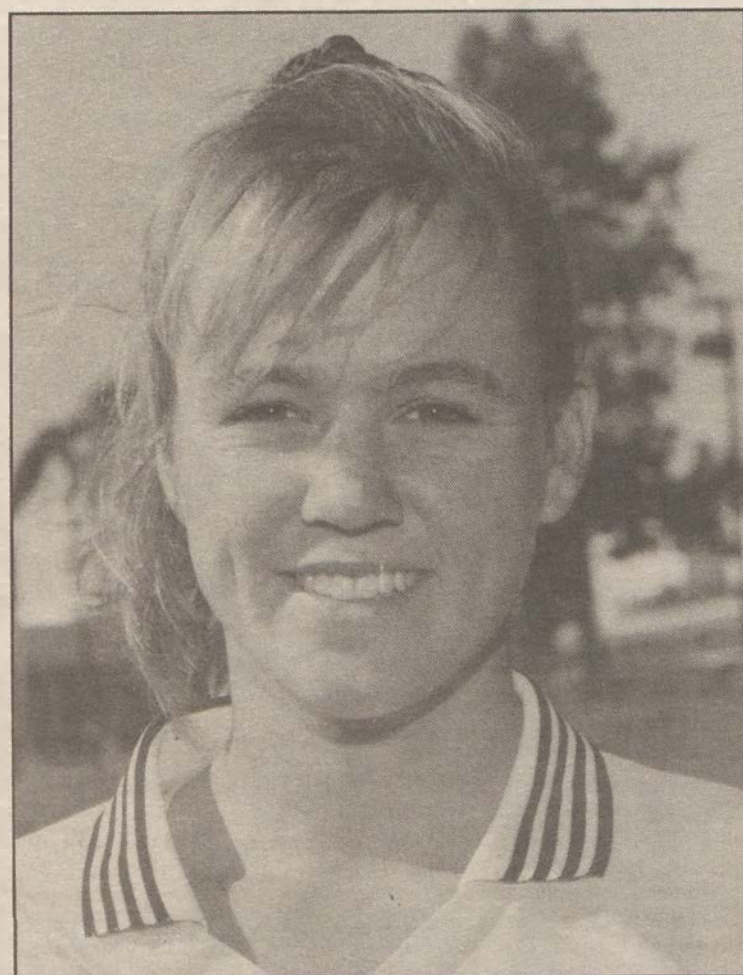
Women's Soccer

Friars second straight win over a nationally ranked team and their second shutout in a row. Early in the game Jen Mead showed why she's an All-America candidate at goalie with some awesome saves. Halfway through an evenly played first half, Liz Holmes was able to cross the ball to Moira Harrington who headed the ball off the crossbar and past the goalie for her first goal of the season.

Then just minutes later Moira again used her tremendous talents to score. One of Hartford's defensive players had trouble handling the ball and Moira just took the ball away, hit a hard low shot to the corner and scored past a diving goal tender. This was the first game all year in which a

Providence player has scored more than one goal in a game. Jen Mead came up with some more spectacular saves in the second half. Sharon Riddle and Margaret Mirecki were able to solidify the defense and preserve the shutout. It was the fourth shutout by the Friars this year.

The Friars are now ranked as one of the best teams in New England and gaining respect very rapidly. However, their road travels continue this Friday when they go to West Point and then next week to URI. The Friars have established themselves as one of the hottest teams around and must continue this spirited play to attain the NCAA bid they desire.



Junior Moira Harrington tallied both Lady Friar goals in Wednesday's victory over the University of Hartford.

Lady Friar Facts

* On Wednesday, Moira Harrington became the first Lady Friar this year to score two goals in one game.

* The Lady Friar defense has had back to back shutouts twice this season.

* Jen Mead, a preseason All-American, holds the PC record with 5 shutouts in a season ('92) and already has 3 shutouts this year.

* Sophomore Liz Holmes leads the team in scoring with 3 goals (two game-winners) and 2 assists for 8 points.

* Both Kerry Lyons ('94) and Karen Stauffer ('96) both have 3 assists this year.

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New Jersey's Finest

Senior Karen Nieman Looks For Strong Final Campaign As A Lady Friar

Christian Potts '94
Sports Writer

Where in the world is Paramus, N.J.? No, this is not a game show. Most people wouldn't consider New Jersey a hot bed of volleyball talent- in fact, I know alot of people who wouldn't consider New Jersey a hotbed of anything (just kidding- all you Jersey folks). But most people haven't met Karen Nieman, the Lady Friars senior rightside hitter/defensive specialist. Karen Nieman is a senior on the talented Lady Friars volleyball squad who is the quintessential student/athlete. A Health Policy/ Management major with a minor in Business Studies, Nieman carries a 3.0 GPA, having made Dean's List last spring. In fact, the women's volleyball team has one of the highest team GPA's of all PC sports teams. But, more importantly, Karen is a major contributor to this year's talented volleyball squad.

Women's Volleyball

Karen says she was attracted to PC by the campus and the lure of playing Division 1 competitive volleyball. Having been a high school all-state volleyball star in New Jersey at Paramus High School, and having played for the prestigious Jersey Girls traveling club team (which traveled to tournaments all over New England and a trip to California), Nieman was a top-level recruit coming to PC. But, as she put it, the transition to Division 1 is like "a whole new world. You go from having one or two outstanding players on your team to a team where everyone is outstanding. Everyone's just as good, if not better. Volleyball is not an individual sport", says Nieman, "The goal of volleyball is to play as a team- that's how you win."

One of Karen's goals this season is to stay healthy, which in the past has not been so easy. She was bothered last year by a stress fracture to her tibia, and like her teammates, has had ankle problems. "It seems that this year ankle injuries have been rampant throughout the team" notes Nieman, referring to the ankle injury suffered by senior captain Missy Dawson. The ankle injury came during what both Karen and Coach Dick Bagge called her best match of her PC career. She had eight blocks going into the third game of the match against Sherbrooke University from Canada, one of the teams in the URI tournament. It was the second time this season she had sprained her ankle; in fact, the second time in three weeks. Due back soon, though, Nieman anxiously awaits her return to action.

"This year we have good chemistry. We have great potential and everyone gets along great- we communicate real well on and off the court", says Nieman. She notes that this is a really close team with good locker room atmosphere. "We will jell together. If we play to our talent level, we'll be a great team. Everybody has their part- everybody can shine", says Nieman, "The best part is that we are so talented that when someone goes down [to injury], someone steps up, and we don't lose anything." She says her goal this year is to help bring the team to the Big East championship and on to the NCAA tournament. "The tournament is the #1 priority this year. I can't wait to see everybody back [from injury] so we can play to our full potential. We haven't peaked yet, which is good, because we don't want to peak too early. We're steadily improving." With her return and the return of Missy Dawson, the Lady Friars will be in excellent shape for the rough Big East schedule.

Speaking of the Big East, the Lady Friars opened their conference schedule this weekend against the University of Pittsburgh. In a tough match against that see-sawed back and forth, the Lady Friars fell 2-3 to the Panthers. The Lady Friars went up one game to none with a 15-7 victory marked by excellent play on offense and defense. Said Coach Bagge "We played so good it was scary. Everything meshed." But they fell 6-15 in the second game, but came back to win a tough 16-14 game that see-sawed back and forth. "I thought going into the fourth game that we would put them away", but instead the Lady Friars dropped a 5-15 decision, which set up a final, tie-breaking game. The fifth game is played according to the rally-serving system, which means every serve is a point. The Lady Friars played a tough game and almost came back, but they fell 11-15 to the Panthers. "It would have been a great win. Pitt didn't look that strong. We won't see them again until the tournament at the end of the Big East schedule." Coach Bagge was especially pleased with the gutsy performance of senior captain Missy Dawson, who returned from her ankle injury and played in all five games. "Missy deserves credit- she played her heart out" said Coach Bagge.

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Up Close: With Kristin Brooks

Derek Stout '95
Sports Interviewer

For any athletic team sport, the one intangible and edge that a squad can have is experience. The 1993-94 Lady Friar Tennis team has the experience and could be one of the most talented squads in school history. Providence has four starters returning from a team that has recorded three consecutive winning seasons and three straight New England crowns. This Friday the Lady Friars will head down to Miami to compete in the Big East Tournament.

Still another intangible that experience brings is consistency. For the Lady Friars, consistency is linked with the name Kristin Brooks. Brooks, a senior, has been the team's number one singles player the last two years. Entering this week she has recorded an 8-4 singles record. Presently Kristin is looking forward to the Big East Tournament where last year she captured the Flight A Consolation Singles crown. "All I hope to get is a good draw, hopefully third or fourth, but not against Miami because I will automatically be put in the consolation round. The teams I do not want to draw would be either Miami or Syracuse."

Kristin not only flies south to compete in singles, but to take on the conference in doubles play. Kristin teams with Hilary Debbs on the hard courts and feels more comfortable playing as a duo. "I like playing doubles more than singles because it is much more relaxed and more fun. But in singles I am on my own and I feel it is more competitive." Doubles play is also something relatively new to Kristin coming into college.

"It was the biggest adjustment I had to make coming into college because I never played doubles in high school, and it has been the most enjoyable part of being on the tennis team."

For freshman athletes intimidation at the Division I level usually comes with the territory. However, for the senior tri-captain intimidation was not something she experienced. Kristin completed her freshman year with a remarkable 14-7 singles record. Why the reason for such success? "In high school I played in a lot of national tournaments which helped me a lot as I played older players. When I entered college I had this experience and played many of the same people I played in those tournaments previously." Kristin struggled during her sophomore year posting a 12-12 record in singles play which was a sub-par performance for her. "I played better players my sophomore year than I did my freshman year, but actually I think I played better personally. It was just the opponents were stronger." The Plainville, Massachusetts native bounced back her junior year where she notched seventeen victories. Since then Kristin has held on to the number one spot on the team and has not given it up. She feels the key to her success is dedication. "I take all my matches seriously, as well as practice seriously. I do not go out and party the night before matches, but instead try to stay focused on what I have to do on the court."

Kristin Brooks not only stays focused on the court, but in the classroom as well. Last

year Kristin received recognition to the Big East Academic All-Star team. She feels the key to managing the books and the racquet is time management. "During the season the sport requires much of my time, but so does school, I just have to make sure I make time for both and not fall behind."

Kristin gives a lot of credit to her father who got her started in the game. She began early, on the Brooks' home court in Plainville. This is where the foundations of her game began, as she now continues to compete on the brand new courts at Providence College. Kristin loves the new courts and wishes they had been there for her entire four years. Instead, Kristin Brooks presently has only one half of a season left in her P.C. tennis career. Look for her to build on her already illustrious three and a half years, this week at the Big East Championships.



What's Happening ? This Week In Providence College Sports

Friday, Oct. 8	Women's Soccer at West Point	7:00 PM
	Women's Tennis at Big East Championships (University of Miami)	TBA
Saturday, Oct. 9	Women's Tennis at Big East Championships	TBA
	Women's Field Hockey at Old Dominion	1:00 PM
	Women's Volleyball at Hofstra	5:00 PM
	Men's and Women's Cross Country at Paul Short Invitational (Lehigh Univ.)	10:00 AM
Sunday, Oct. 10	Men's Tennis at ECAC Championships	TBA
	Women's Tennis at Big East Championships	TBA
	Men's Tennis at ECAC Championships	TBA
	Men's Soccer at Georgetown	2:00 PM
	Women's Volleyball at Niagara	11:00 AM
Monday, Oct. 11	Women's Field Hockey at William and Mary	1:00 PM
Tuesday, Oct. 12	Women's Tennis at URI	3:00 PM
	Men's Golf vs. Holy Cross and Amherst (Pleasant Valley C.C.)	TBA
Wednesday, Oct. 13	MEN'S SOCCER VS UCONN	3:00 PM
	Women's Volleyball at Boston College	7:00 PM
	Women's Soccer at URI	3:00 PM
	WOMEN'S TENNIS VS HARVARD "B"	3:00 PM

HOME GAMES IN CAPS

Friars End Skid

Double OT Win Over URI Breaks Losing Streak

Pieter J. Ketelaar '97
Sports Writer

It's over! The Providence College Men's soccer team ended their losing streak by pulling out a win this week against the University of Rhode Island to even their record a 5-5-0. The Friars, who had lost their fifth straight earlier in the week to Syracuse at the Carrier Dome, went up against URI an exhausted group searching almost desperately for a win. They went into overtime against URI, where Matt Baldwin scored a goal to give them the win by a 2-1 margin.

Coach Bill Doyle was happy to get the win and bring his team's spirits back. The streak had begun to get to players and the losses were beginning to mount up. The players were just trying to do to much on every play and anyone who knows anything about soccer, or sports in general, knows you cannot win the game on one play. "We won this one with our hearts," Doyle said. "After the Syracuse game the players were just tired out, and playing on Astroturf in the [Carrier] Dome is hard on the backs of the players." "We just did not have

any luck in the Syracuse game or during the losing streak." Coach Doyle felt his team dominated Syracuse on Sunday but they lost 1-0. He indicated that playing indoors was a big factor on his team and their style of play.

It was also a game of "missed opportunities", not only against the Orangemen of

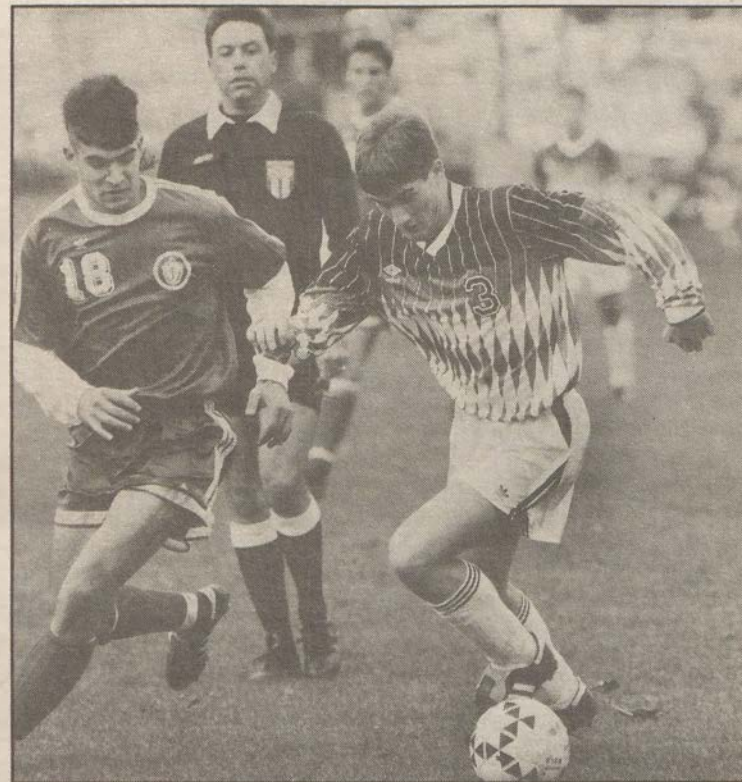
Men's Soccer

Syracuse but during the entire losing streak. Coach Doyle said that Matt Baldwin '95 and Sean McDermott '94 both gave of themselves "unselfishly" in both the Syracuse and URI games. Baldwin played all 90 minutes against Syracuse and on defense McDermott has been playing hurt but still gave all he had to give to jump start his team and break them out of the slump. Breaking the losing streak means that "it's a whole new season," according to Doyle.

The teams next two games match them against Georgetown on the road and UCONN at home. Now that the streak is over the team can get some well-deserved rest without

the bad taste of yet another heartbreaking loss in their mouths. Coach Doyle also pointed to the extra day off this week before their game on Sunday with Georgetown to revitalize the team and get them fresh and hungry. He said, "It took a lot of character to finally win one and to endure the streak."

On the subject of getting his 200th career victory against UMass last month, a very modest Doyle said, "It's not just mine but it's the team's also." He is proud of his players for getting him to this plateau and is glad he has had an impact on the Providence College soccer program as a whole. He thought the UMass win "was a game in which the team played so well and I'm happy for the players." In fact Doyle felt his squad played so well against UMass it overshadowed his 200th win. He feels his team plays "a very controlled game, an almost European game, and they win with style and class." This style of play will be important in the weeks to come as the Friars look to jump back into the Big East race and make some waves in the conference.

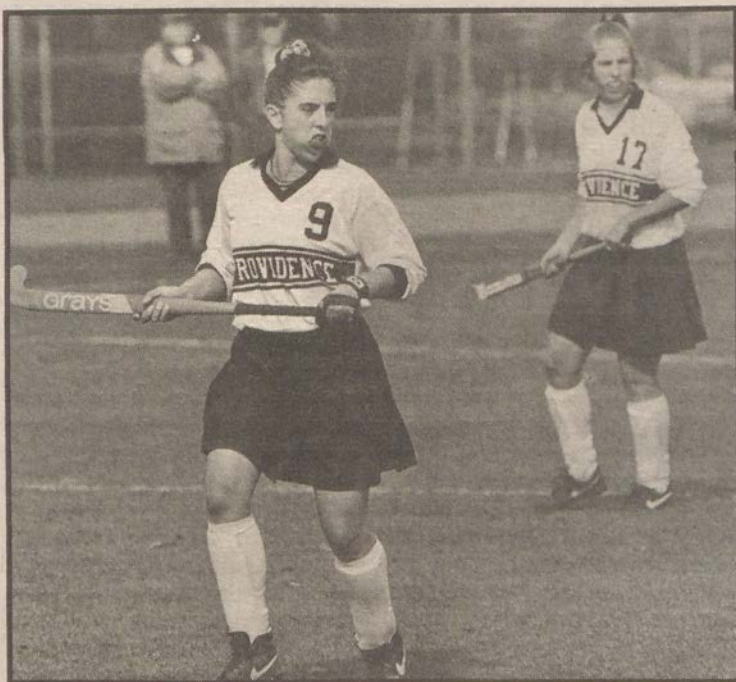


Matt Baldwin netted the game winner in double overtime as PC defeated URI on Tuesday.

Field Hockey Takes 5th In A Row

Annica Ambrose '96
Sports Writer

Who says field hockey isn't all fun and games? Upping their record to an outstanding 7-2-1, the Providence Lady Friars brought to mind a few of our childhood recreations, starting with the game itself being a round of Hungry Hungry Hippos. The week began with the elimination of the Colgate Red Raiders, 1-0. The one goal PC had came on a corner from Cathy Guden, assisted by Lauren Khozozian and Jen Doherty. Putting the ball through the pinball machine of a "corner" in a field hockey game seems to be everyone's favorite. The fact that Providence had an amazing 24 shots on goal, yet only scored off this one corner, may have been due to the fact that the wet grass made it seem as if someone placed one of those long, yellow "slip-and-slides" on the field. (Cathy Guden is headed for gymnast status with her tumbles and falls). Providence shut out all Colgate's attempts at scoring with four saves by Martiniello and a defense led by junior Kim Robbins. As a stabilizer in the back position, Kim has been "playing some outstanding hockey this year", says Coach Barto. "She is very attack orientated and she helps control and keep the defense 'Leverage' was played in the first half of the Brown game after Tara Kaminski helped Guden tap one in right away at 34:17, and the game seemed to stay on



Kim Robbins (#9) has helped control the defense for the Lady Friars.

PC's offensive half of the field. With 32:29 to go in the latter half, Brown scored to tie it up until Meredith Zenowich was assisted by Guden at 26:26 to score on another corner. Meredith has been a force this year as she is beginning to come into her own. Making the transition from her forward position of last year to a back spot, Coach Barto sites her as "a versatile competitor and a strong part of the defense unit".

Brown was disposed of, 2-1 as the Lady Friars begin to put it together, teamwise as well as their individual standouts. Providence looks forward to

their next ten games, eight of which are teams ranked in the top 20 nationally.

Watch these women jump flying balls as if in Atari's "Megamania", with Pac-men in pinnies chasing strays. God forbid a venture in Hackey Sac, and if a free hit comes along and a player is not in the precise spot, it's a game of "Mother May I?" with the referee. One last amusement is "subbing on the fly": Lady Friars stand with their pickets on the sidelines, yelling "Red Rover, Red Rover, send this number right over"!!!!

A Winning Trio

Annica Ambrose '96
Sports Writer

STRIDE: A stage of progress, (Webster). It all begins with mental toughness. You are left alone with your strides, your thoughts, and 200 other runners with an aim of defeating you.

This year, the Providence College Women's Cross-country team is led by a trio who have taken their own strides and unyielding mentality all the way to national standings. Amy Rudolph, Vanessa Molloy, and Natalie Davey have helped bring Providence to their present rank of fifth in the nation.

Rudolph is a junior from Kane, Pennsylvania who comes off an incredibly strong sophomore season where she gained All-American status in both cross-country and the 1,500 meters. Big East champion in the 3,000 meter run outdoors, Amy has been the first to cross the finish line for PC, besides winning meets in the overall department. At Central Connecticut, she took the liberty of setting the course record, an achievement few runners can claim their own.

Cross Country

Vanessa comes out of County Wexford, Ireland to serve as senior captain to this year's team. She has been an integral part of the Lady Friar racers throughout her college career, coming on particularly strong in the 1993 track seasons, where she was the 3,000 meter New England champion both indoors and outdoors.

Natalie Davey is another senior of the threesome, attaining such honors as All-American in the 1,500, as well as being a part of the World Record-breaking 4X1500 team at Penn Relays in 1991. Davey calls County Mayo, Ireland her home and has proved to be a very promising athlete.

So far, the Lady Friar clan has taken untroubled leads on their preferred courses of grass and speed. The 65 miles a week they run, in addition to speed workouts, will hopefully pay off in upcoming meets against such tough competition as Arkansas, Villanova and Georgetown.

Runners like Amy, Vanessa and Natalie make cross-country seem easy to the onlooker, but many fail to realize how difficult running actually is. "You have to want to hurt", is how they put it. In turn, you must block out that pain and use your own confidence in combination with support of teammates to overcome the often international competition. An NCAA championship is not out of reach for PC Women's cross-country this year and with this trio at the forefront, the next stage of progress might mean a national title in STRIDE.