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BY CHAD ENGELLAND and KARA BENKEN

Yesterday's elections were an opportunity for people to voice their opinion, but the overwhelming opinion expressed by Xavier students was one of indifference.

"I saw someone with a sticker on and that's how I knew they were voting today," said junior Gretchen Bandoli. "I try to avoid the whole political scene with President Clinton and Lewinsky."

Despite this widespread apathy, some students and professors did vote and did have an opinion on issues ranging from the location of the new baseball stadium to dove hunting as well as about individual candidates and their races.

Many students from out of town cited lack of foresight as a reason for not voting by absentee ballot. "I wasn't really paying attention to any of it," said sophomore Allison Carter.

"I'm not from even close to around here and didn't even think about it," said sophomore Joe Anstett from North Dakota.

Others were simply indifferent



to the political process.

"I just didn't feel I was informed enough on the issues to vote. I didn't make an effort to make myself knowledgeable about these subjects," said junior Tony Fletcher.

"I don't really connect with anything," said freshman Ben Coyle. "I'm sick of hearing about it [the Clinton scandal]."

Rev. John LaRocca, S.J., surveyed his two classes and found only nine of 61 were planning to vote, a ratio he described as "irresponsibly low." Many, he said, didn't even know what an absentee ballot was.

LaRocca cited "a general dislike and mistrust of government and the weather more than anything else" to explain the low turnout.

Student Government Association sponsored a one-day student registration drive on Oct. 2, according to SGA President Desirée Demonbreun. The drive lasted five hours and had stations in the Village, University Center and outside the Manor House.

Not all students were apathetic. Some exercised their right and cast a ballot. "I felt it was my responsibility [to vote]. I just don't think you can complain about things if you don't try to change them, and voting is a means for change," said senior Tony Anderson.

Sophomore Dan Morris voted on campus and found it convenient. "It was right outside the café and I eat anyway," he said.

Xavier professors expressed concern about the low student turnout and suggested a number of reasons for students' indifference, some even sharing their own difficulty with the political process.

"Voting has become more problematic for me. The more seriously I take the consistent ethic of life, the more difficult it becomes to vote. Both major parties contradict the consistent ethic of life. Sometimes I choose what appears the See **Elections**, Page 3

Key local results

Issue 11, the referendum deciding the location of the baseball stadium
 Winners: Supporters of baseball on the riverfront

► 1st Congressional district, the nationally-watched race between incumbent Steve Chabot and Cincinnati Mayor Roxanne Qualls Winner: Republican Steve

Chabot

►U.S. Senate, the contest between Ohio Governor George Voinovich and Mary Boyle Winner: Republican George Voinovich

► Governor, the race between Lee Fisher and Bob Taft for Ohio's top post Winner: Republican Bob Taft

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On-campus crime down Lowest crime rate in seven years, statistics show

BY AMY ZYWICKI

Campus News Editor Crime on campus is the lowest it has been in seven years, according to Xavier Campus Police's annual crime and service report.

As of Sept. 20, there were 142 reported on-campus offenses, compared with 194 offenses reported up until Sept. 20, 1996.

"I know it doesn't look like we are doing much because of all the off-campus incidents, but campus is safer than it's been in awhile," said Xavier Police Chief Michael Couch.

The report also showed major crimes (assault, theft and burglary)

The university is also required to disclose certain offenses such as assault, robbery, burglary, theft and arson.

Other offenses, such as public indecency, criminal trespassing, telephone harassment and criminal damaging, do not have to be made public by law, but Xavier reports those statistics as well.

Through the years, the offense with the most reported incidents was theft.

Although theft is still the most prevalent offense in the report, it is still down from 107 to 92.

Couch attributes many factors to the low crime on campus.

According to the crime report, over the past six years there have only been six sexual assaults on campus, three of which were in 1992.

"We have found over the years that most of these crimes are opportunity crimes that could have been prevented if the person would have anticipated the potential risk and then done something to prevent, deter or minimize the risk. For example, don't walk alone on Clinton Springs, don't leave property in plain view in you car, don't leave your laundry unattended, books unattended in the library. It's just common sense stuff that we can all

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are down 12 percent, from 112 offenses reported to 98. All other crime on campus is down 21 percent, from 211 to 167.

Under the 1990 Student Right to Know Act, university security and police departments are required to produce standardized documents which indicate the number of offenses reported or investigated, cleared or solved, and the number of arrests on campus.

"There is a lot more availability and accessibility of the officers," said Couch. "We are getting away from the traditional reactive patrol to a proactive patrol, meaning students are working co-actively with officers to report suspicious behav-

ior."

"It makes me feel better even though I don't live on campus," said senior Jen Flowers. "It's good to know I'm safe." do," said Couch.

"The Xavier police department seems to be around more," said junior Erin Deery.

"We really want to share crime info, good or bad, openly with the campus and I think we have done a pretty effective job through *Newswire* stories, police notes and our website. We want students to be aware of the potential risks that See **Crime**, Page 3

Junior Lisa McCafferty and two small friends trick or treat last Friday as part of College Friends' Halloween festivities.

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Adopt a family

The office of Commuter Services is again sponsoring the "Adopt A Family Program" at Xavier. Names of families in need are provided through the Children's Services Department of the Hamilton County Department of Human Services. You will receive specific gift requests when you are assigned to a family. Individuals are encouraged to buy at least two gifts. Stop by the Commuter Information Center to pick up a form. Forms must be returned no later than Friday, Nov. 16. Call Commuter Services at 745-3824 with questions.

Dialogue on Israel

On Thursday, Nov. 5 at noon, in Bellarmine Chapel, Rabbi Sheldon Zimmerman, president of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, and Eugene J. Fisher, director of Catholic Jewish Relations, will engage in a dialogue about "Israel as the Basis for Inter-religious Dialogue." A reception will follow in the Williams College of Business Nieporte, Lounge. Contact Leo Klein, S.J., at 745-3777 for details.

Thanksgiving dinner

On Monday, Nov. 23, Commuter Services are once again holding their annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Dinner will be served from 4-6 p.m. in Buenger Hall. Those attending are required to give either \$2 or three canned goods. The canned goods and the money collected will go to the Cincinnati Food Bank. For more information, contact Gina Monday or Dave Traubert at the office of Commuter Services, 745-3824.

Yearbook pictures

Yearbook portraits will be taken on Nov. 4-6 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the cafeteria lobby. Appointments are not required. Anyone not having their picture taken will have their AllCard picture used for the 1998-99 yearbook. The 1997-98 Musketeer Annual will also be available for pickup.

Poetry reading

On Wednesday, Nov. 4 at 7 p.m., there will be a poetry reading and book signing of *In a Fluid State* by Timothy Riordan. The reading will be in the University Center Terrace Room. For details, call Cathy at 745-3312.

Senior Board

Thursday, Nov. 5 from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m., Senior Board is sponsoring Senior Night at Dana's. They are also offering senior discount tickets for the Nov. 12 production of "Jesus Christ Superstar." A reception will follow the performance. Call Tom at 703-3057 with questions.



Housing still an issue

BY KELLY HIXSON MATTINGLY News Writer

Mandatory group housing for freshman University Scholars was simply an idea, one that is not going to become a reality.

Much discussion has evolved due to the idea of requiring freshman honor students to live on the same floor.

"There has been a lot of misconception," said Dr. Paul Colella, director of the Scholars program.

Last year, Residence Life ran into difficulty with the fourth floor of Buenger, which was the honors floor for sophomores.

Residence Life and Honors Council met to re-word the requirements of living on the floor.

At least 50 percent of the residents in the room had to be honors students. This requirement was causing problems.

According to Colella, this requirement shut out some sophomore honor students who wished to live on the floor.

Dissatisfied parents and students were contacting Colella to find the problem. "Parents were calling me to express their concerns. Many of their children were denied honor floor housing," said Colella.

Ava Jean Fiebig, director of Residence Life, met with the Honors Council to decide on a solution. They discussed theme housing and making the top floors of Kuhlman Hall honors only.

The National Collegiate Honor Council suggests that an honor student "occupy suitable quarters including reading rooms," among other suggestions.

Colella explained the reasoning behind this idea. "If Xavier wants to remain competitive with the other "We just want better participation and communication within the honors program."

-Peet Zeller, president of the Honors Council

schools with whom we compete with for students, we must offer these opportunities," said Colella. Xavier has always offered hon-

ors housing. The Honors House has moved from Dakota Avenue to Ledgewood Avenue thanks to Rev. Michael Graham, S.J.

"It is not unusual for an Honors program to have mandatory housing. For example, UMass has a mandatory honors dorm, and the University of Dallas has a mandatory semester in Rome program. I can see pluses and minuses. If the students feel it isn't an attractive part of the program, we would not want to keep it," said Colella.

A few current residents of the sixth floor of Kuhlman expressed their concerns.

"I don't mind living here but it's not as awesome as I thought it was going to be," said freshman Katie Bender.

"You do get tired of seeing the same people in class and in your hall," said freshman Sara Lanzola. "Living on the sixth floor makes me study a lot more," said freshman Ben Robinson, who is not a University Scholar but requested the floor. "The definite benefits are the built-in study groups, but that doesn't mean that couldn't happen anywhere else," said Colella.

A few veterans of the honors program voiced their opinions on the thought of mandatory housing.

"If I had to live on the scholars wing as a freshman, I would not know half the people I know today. As a scholar, we're in classes together for four years. We get to know each other that way. I don't think we necessarily have to live together as well," said senior Brendan Fay.

"We just want better participation and communication within the honors program. We don't want to exclude the honor students from the rest of the campus. We also want to make it easier for residence life," said Peet Zeller, president of the Honors Council.

Other opportunities such as the Study Abroad program are being discussed as a requirement for the Scholars program.

A scholar student is required to take twice as much of a foreign language as a non-honor student.

"It makes good educational sense to use these opportunities. But making this mandatory here would be far in the future," said Colella.

The Villa House on Ledgewood Avenue across from the Honors House will house 14 honor students next year along with the top floors of Kuhlman, but as far as mandatory housing is concerned, "We had a forum last week regarding all of this. It was never a done deal. It was just an idea and was not wellreceived by the students, so its back on the drawing board," said Zeller.

WXRC finds new home

BY MICHELLE MANASSAH News Writer

WXRC, Xavier's student-run radio station on Xavier cable channel 49, broadcasts from offices in the bottom of the University Center across from the Romero International Center, room B-100. But this has not always been the case.

"We moved to the University Center near the end of the summer," said junior Dwaun Watson, station manager and president of the WXRC

WXRC. The station had been in WVXU, but according to Watson, "With the construction of the Convocation Center, WVXU lost storage space, so the old student lab is now storage space." Watson assumes this new location will be permanent until construction of the new University Center begins. "We hope to gain the respect of the students and the university."

—Dwaun Watson, station manager and president of the WXRC

about an hour. The station has a

self on being the best, so it should be here, too."

"We hope to establish ourselves as a club and establish an identity for the organization. It hasn't been there [in the past]. Students have fun, but they don't take it seriously and it screws it up for everyone," said Watson.

The club is developing an official guideline manual dealing with obscenity and indecency on the air.

In the future, Watson hopes to get more shows that will deal with a variety of topics, especially those focused on sports.

his bicycle on the sidewalk crashed into the driver's side of the vehicle, throwing the child from his bike. He was uninjured and refused medical assistance. Minor damages were reported to the car.

Friday, Oct. 30, 6:30 p.m.

A wallet was removed from a book bag and a purse was stolen out of the Xavier Players Office on the ground floor of the University Center. Upon investigation, campus police found both in a trash can outside the grill. A total of \$20 was missing.

Sunday, Nov. 1, 9:10 p.m.

A student on the fourth floor of Kuhlman reported receiving menacing and harassing phone calls.

Police Note of the Week

Wednesday, Oct. 28, 11:30 p.m. A student on the third floor of Brockman reported someone had tampered with her lock. Upon investigation, it was discovered that a piece of tape had been placed over the lock. "We've put too much work into the station not to have a place," said Watson. "Hopefully, we will be able to reserve a spot in the new University Center."

For the past two years, WXRC has been growing. WVXU was Xavier's first student radio station in the '70s.

WXRC has about 30 different shows, many with music and some talk shows, all of which usually last programming time running from 2 p.m. to 2 a.m.

"We hope to gain the respect of the students and the university," said Watson.

WXRC gained club status from the Student Senate in March of this year.

The club is trying to create internal structure. They have established a budget and they have an adviser, Rev. Matthew Gamber, S.J.

"Hopefully it will be a real place where we can grow as a student communication center," said Gamber. "We hope that when it [the new University Center] is built, there will be a place for a radio station. There should be, especially with a school with a communications department. Xavier bases it"A benefit of having a broad programming schedule is to establish ourselves as a station," said Watson.

"Dwaun has worked extremely hard to get the radio station to the University Center," said Gamber.

"We welcome the creativity, energy and commitment of Xavier students," said Gamber. "This an open door for students and we hope that they take advantage of this opportunity."

Applications for new shows will be available on Wednesday on the door of WXRC. Their email address is XUWXRC@xavier.xu.edu.

Elections: Students apathetic Contraception?

Continued from page 1 lesser of two evils," said Rev. Kenneth Overberg, S.J.

"I'm tempted to cynicism with the political process but that's all we have, so we have to continue working at it," he said.

"Voting makes people care about society and issues, even if the vote doesn't change anything," said Dr. Richard Polt, department of philosophy.

"Apathy doesn't stem from personal causes ... structurally something is wrong with the democratic process ... because of the influence of money on the structure," said Dr. Carol Winkelmann, English department.

"There has been as much, or more, negative campaigning this year, so the voters are downright distrustful when there's only namecalling going on. There is nothing people are passionate about --- they say people don't vote when they're happy, and people are pretty comfortable right now — there are no wars, the economy is doing well ... " said Gene Beaupre, director of community and government relations for the university.

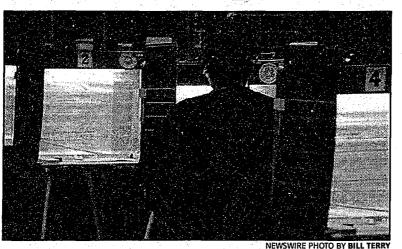
'The candidates can't raise issues to bring people to the polls, so they're just jabbing at each other instead --- they agree on the issues, just not the means," he said.

Voter turnout nationally is about 50 percent, which, according to Beaupre, is surprising because there are more registered voters now due to the motor voter law. Negative advertisements also turned some off to the elections. The two political parties spent over \$400 million on campaigning for this election alone.

"The commercials are a joke," said junior Becky Massmann, who voted in the last election but didn't this year because of the negative campaigning. "I don't know if I'm just noticing it more, but it's really bad this year."

"I get disturbed by the ads that keep pounding us. They are a scandal to our intelligence, but they'll keep doing it," said Overberg.

"There are more and more outside interest groups getting involved, which means more negative ads, and they're running up costs driving politics to a spectator



A woman casts her vote in the University Center on Tuesday.

sport, because unless you have a big check, you can't contribute," said Beaupre.

Those who did vote expressed their opinions on a range of issues. Of particular local interest was the district 1 U.S. Congressional race between incumbent Steve Chabot and Cincinnati Mayor Roxanne Qualls, won narrowly by Chabot.

"I voted for [Qualls] because the other guy is against the environment and voted against the light rail which would have brought money to Cincinnati," said junior Philip Papadopulos. "I'd like to see the Republicans lose their majority in Congress."

Sophomore Dan Morris voted for Qualls because she "seemed to be the one most supportive of education issues."

Junior Steve Forde, a native of the Cleveland area, registered specifically so he could vote for Chabot. Forde cited Chabot's record on tax cuts, pro-life issues and economic growth. "I think Qualls is the most popular Democrat around here, and if he can beat her hopefully he can hold onto his seat for awhile," he said.

Another explosive local item was Issue 11 to decide the location of the new baseball stadium. The measure to place the stadium at the Broadway Commons location overwhelmingly failed, 35 percent to 64 percent. Student and faculty thoughts, however, were not as clear, though most showed concern for the Over the Rhine residents.

"Baseball on Broadway would displace poor people," said Overberg. "I heard 90 percent of our schools are older than the stadium we're tearing down. Some priorities just got screwed up there."

"If it'll help the neighborhood out, I'll vote for it," said Papadopulos, who voted for the Broadway Commons site.

"I'm not sure that the stadium is going to fit either place," said Dr. John Getz, department of English. "It put the very rich and the very poor against the gentrifying middle class. So much money is going into these stadiums that really ought to be going into schools."

"I think it would be good for development but am concerned about displaced residents," said Polt.

Political pundits speculated on the effect of the Clinton-Lewinsky scandal on voter turnout. Most students and professors felt the issue was minor, though it clearly affected some.

"I am definitely making an effort to vote for Democrats because the Republicans are trying to make an issue of nothing," said Anderson.

"The impeachment is always in the background. People say it makes no difference to the electorate, but I think it's one thing Congress needs to make a decision on," said Polt.

"I'm very concerned about the extent of divisiveness and partisanship ... I'm concerned the impeachment inquiry is going to take two years, and I'm sick of it," said Dr. Raghu Tadepalli, department of marketing.

Forde voted for Chabot because "he is on the Judiciary committee so has a chance to impeach Clin-

BY KATIE GILFILEN News Writer

Last Wednesday, Residence Life and the resident assistants of Buenger Hall sponsored an "Honest, Open" discussion regarding sex. Issues regarding the placement of such a discussion on a Jesuit, Catholic university were brought into question by several students attending.

According to senior Michelle Powell, a resident assistant in Buenger, further sessions with a priest or a similar representative would be beneficial in order "to provide clarity on the Catholic belief."

The informal meeting was led by Tracie McCluskey-Smith, the Brockman Hall director, and was intended to be a way for students to come and voice their questions about sex and then participate in an open, honest dialogue about decision making and sexual values.

"There have been concerns about the content of the program," admitted McCluskey-Smith.

However, she stressed that she wanted the discussion to be free of opposition and focused on a "comfortable" and "unbiased" attitude.

"We wanted students to keep an open mind," said McCluskey-Smith.

The 15 students who attended the discussion posed their questions about sex anonymously by paper and then discussed the issues together.

Among the topics addressed were premarital sex, boundaries and decision-making within relationships, communication, birth control, abortion and the sanctity of married life.

McCluskey said the program stressed a need for young adults to make their own decisions in relationships, with their own values based on familial and religious influences.

As a certified health educator, McCluskey-Smith acknowledged she could not answer all the questions about the Catholic Church's stance on sexual relationships. She concluded by saying that the presence of a Jesuit priest would benefit any future programs.

Similar discussion groups regarding topics that concern college students are being planned by Residence Life and will be held at various times throughout the year.

Academic information

REGISTRATION

The spring schedule for classes is available in the Registrar's Office, Alter 129. Registration will take place Nov. 10-17 from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In order to find the exact time and date for registration appointments, consult the Registrar's bulletin board in Alter.

Students may not register before their registration appointment time, but may do so after.

ACADEMIC ADVISING

Students must meet with their academic advisers prior to registering.

In order to find out your adviser's name, consult the Advising Center bulletin board on the first floor of Alter opposite the Registrar's Office.

PAYMENT PROCEDURES

Billing statements will be mailed to registered students during the week of Dec. 4.

The required payment along with the confirmation card must be received by the Bursar no later than Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1999, otherwise student registration may be canceled.

MIDTERM GRADES

Students may print a copy of their midterm grades in the Registrar's Office by using their All-Cards or a photo ID.

WITHDRAWAL FROM CLASSES

The final date for undergraduates to withdraw from Fall fullterm courses is Thursday, Nov. 19.

rime: Campus levels continue to drop over time evaluating and evolving through the "It's great that crime on campus

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surround them so they will action to prevent or deter this risk."

According to Couch, the bottom line is we are all a part of Xavier's community and have a vested interest in keeping one another safe, while at the same time safe guarding property, equipment and buildings.

Crime may be down on campus for most offenses, but for telephone harassment and vandalism the statistics show an increase.

For telephone harassment, the reported number of offenses are up from 14 to 23 and for vandalism the number of offenses are up from 2 to 4.

"We must recognize that there is always a potential for crime anywhere, anytime. Now that doesn't mean everyone should be paranoid,

crime stats

Crime reported on campus is down 18 percent, the lowest it has been in seven years.

▶51 percent of the offenses and cases reported on campus were solved by Campus Police.

► The dollar amount of property stolen on campus is down from \$42,527 to \$37,794.

just cautious," said Couch.

"I attribute crime being low on campus to a more mature student body at Xavier and a new found re► The offense with the most incidents over the past six years was theft.

> ► Two offenses that have statistically increased over the past year are vandalism and telephone harassment.

➤Over the past six years, there have only been six reported offenses relating to sexual assault.

spect for authority," said junior Katie Summers.

According to Couch, Campus Police have been continuously

years. Five years ago they added one additional officer to every shift. In January of 1996, the shuttle service was begun.

In the past year, they have added additional emergency telephones and lighting.

Additionally throughout the year, campus police provide specialized crime prevention programs designed to educate in all areas of crime prevention.

Last year, the Xavier police department sponsored 28 crime prevention programs including alcohol awareness, self defense and date or acquaintance rape.

"Crime prevention has self-serving qualities," said Couch. "Clearly if we don't work together it's going to make risk management difficult and in some cases impossible," he said.

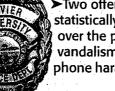
has lowered," said junior John Whitaker.

"My memories of campus life weren't crime ridden," said Whitaker. The campus I did see seemed merry, whereas off-campus crime has risen and needs to be addressed."

"Clearly when crime is down, it's difficult to put your finger on exactly why it is, but we like to feel it's because of the community working together with the police and the crime prevention programs," said Couch.

According to Couch, statistical comparisons of some offenses, over the last three years, are located on page nine of the student phone directory.

Other information can be obtained from Xavier's webpage or is available upon request.



Eyes of XU capture every detail

AMY SCHELL News Feature Writer

A tall, thin man wearing glasses appears at nearly every important Xavier event, yet his presence goes relatively unnoticed and few people know his name.

Armed with only a camera, his charge is to observe and document Xavier life and present it to the outside world through the art of photography.

Greg Rust, director of photography in the Marketing and Public Relations department, is the man behind all those attractive Xavier brochures which convinced many students to visit campus.

Ideas for most of the images seen in those recruiting brochures and The Xavier Magazine, come from his bright, seventh-floor office in Schott. His photos for the quarterly magazine end up in the homes of over 40,000 families, faculty and alumni across the country.

With this amount of publicity, Rust describes the importance of his job as "basically portraying Xavier in the best light possible. We want to have people take pride in it and show that this is a good place to be."

Rust fills his days at Xavier doing such jobs as photographing walk-on basketball players in his studio (which doubles as his office) or roaming around campus to take pictures of various groups and their activities.

He attends the most important sporting events, talks, speeches and special events. Last Friday, he photographed little kids and their College Friends who were trick-ortreating through the dorms.

Rust lives far removed from the hustle and bustle of Xavier life on a horse farm in Cold Spring, Ky., with his wife and their two daughters.

He is proud to describe himself as a fifth-generation farmer. His grandfather used to have a farm a little farther north, but the area has since been turned into a subdivision.

Although his is mainly a horse

farm, he also has a small garden and hay fields to feed the horses.

His desk is decorated with pictures of his two little girls on the farm. Another picture, he pointed out, reveals good photography runs in the family.

One of his daughters took a shot of a waterspout (funnel cloud over a body of water) that formed on the horizon during a storm when the family was vacationing at the ocean.

Rust said he does not take excessive pictures of his family. He sticks to the traditional birthdays and holidays, but being a professional adds a certain quality to the Rust family album.

Rust received his bachelor's degree in anthropology from Northern Kentucky University. He became interested in photography as a supplement to his fieldwork, and took a few classes to be able to improve his documentation of the Native Americans he was studying.

He first began thinking about photography rather than anthropology as a career while presenting a paper he had written.

After the presentation, he said, copies of the paper were left lying around, but he received many positive comments about the pictures he used to go along with the presentation.

"Anthropology is literally the study of man, and I'm still doing that. Since the photos were so well received, I decided to do it professionally," he said. 322.4

Rust has only one of his own pictures hanging in his home. He pinpoints this picture as the one which inspired him to try photography as a career. Taken while Rust was in college in 1978, it is a picture of a Native American youth called Little Crow, whose father was the cofounder of the American Indian Movement.

Shot on black and white film, the boy's fist is raised in a rebellious gesture that captures his emotions perfectly. Rust describes this as his favorite picture because it is timeless.



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY BILL TERRY

Photographer Greg Rust explores Xavier from different angles everyday. His photos are featured in Xavier's promotional brochures as well as The Xavier Magazine.

"Longevity is what makes a good photo," he said.

The biggest part of photography for Rust is pre-visualization - getting an idea, then creating the image on film. This is especially true for artistic photography.

To him, the most essential ingredient in a photo is emotion: A great picture can only come about if some emotion is captured.

Rust's major responsibility is producing photos for Xavier's magazine, for which he is often assigned special projects. Last semester, he traveled to Nicaragua to photograph students participating in the service-learning semester there.

on luck. Quick reflexes and a happy trigger finger are necessary to get good action shots.

He also said a lot of the great shots are a result of anticipation. By being able to predict what will happen next and following along with the game, he can catch interesting shots.

Rust has more opportunities to practice good sports photography through his work with Cincinnati's professional sports teams.

On the weekends, he shoots the Reds, Bengals and Cyclones for their promotional brochures. He even has a Bengals' jersey with his name on the back.

Occasionally, he does weddings

He was able to go on the tour bus and meet everyone, and after photographing the country legend, he had his picture taken with him.

One of the downsides of his profession, however, is the expense of the equipment. A single lens can cost \$10,000.

On a professional level, photographers need to compete. If he were a full-time sports photographer, he would need to buy more expensive equipment. But there's hope for amateurs, too.

"To make a good picture, you don't need the most expensive equipment. Some of the best pictures come from cheap little plastic cameras," Rust said.



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"It was the most powerful experience of my life. I was only there for a week, and it had such an impact on me," said Rust.

"You realize that we have so much to be thankful for; we don't have a lot of room to complain compared to these Third World countries. It showed me the true Jesuit tradition of service."

He has also followed students to Ireland and England with the university and hopes to go to Puerto Rico with the basketball team later this year.

"I always enjoy the teams. I have to be almost as psyched for the games as the players to get the shot," Rust said.

Sports photography is much different from art photography or portraiture because so much depends and family portraits as favors to friends, but most of his pictures revolve around Xavier. He hopes to publish a book of his photography in the future.

One of Rust's favorite aspects of being a photographer is being able to meet so many people.

"You can shoot the president one day, and the next day be in Over the Rhine," he said.

"It's such a large, diverse population and it's rewarding to be able to act in such large social circles." Rust also likes working on a col-

lege campus where, he said, the students have so much energy.

Although he photographed President Bill Clinton when he came to Xavier in 1996, Rust said he was more excited to meet his hero, Willie Nelson, a month later.

His advice to budding photographers is this: "Shoot at least a roll, especially in portraiture. Sometimes the first one is the best one; sometimes the last one is the best one."

Shooting extra film is easier than scheduling another shoot. In his line of work, Rust has to be patient, especially with large groups where there is more chance for movement or a blink.

Rust has been at Xavier for 15 years, but he says the job never gets boring. There's always something new to see.

"I've been doing photography for 20 years and I'm still excited to see my film," he said.

"It's the best feeling when you see a print come up in the dark room and you get all excited."

WORLD NEWS

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Storms prove fatal in Central America

POSOLTEGA, Nicaragua (AFP) — Rescuers across Central America at sunrise Tuesday resumed searching for survivors of devastating floods and landslides which reportedly have killed more than 7,000 people throughout the region.

Estimates of the death toll are at more than 5,000 in Honduras, some 1,450 in Nicaragua, 144 in El Salvador, 93 in Guatemala, seven in Costa Rica and one each in Panama and Mexico.

Authorities expect the figure to rise in the next few days, as more bodies are pulled from the rubble.

Roads, bridges, and telephone and electricity lines have been washed away in vast areas, making communications with affected flooded towns especially difficult.

Rescuers in helicopters are plucking survivors, often hungry and dehydrated, from rooftops and treetops.

In Posoltega, 87 miles northwest of Managua, close to 2,000 people were still unaccounted for in the nearby five communities that were wiped out by a colossal landslide Friday, which killed at least 850 people.

Some survivors remained trapped under the mud and rocks that rolled down the flank of the Las Casitas volcano; Posoltega Mayor Felecita Zeledon said.

New evidence found about Diana's crash

PARIS (AFP) — The Mercedes car Diana, Princess of Wales, was riding in when she died was traveling "at least 73 mph," according to a report submitted to a French investigating magistrate, a source close to the case said.

Crash tests conducted by the National Police Research Institute of Criminology enabled experts to map out the car's destruction inch by inch, the same source said.

Monday, police handed over two secret reports on the crash to French magistrate Herve Stephan, who is in charge of the case. Uno which has not been found.

It was also concluded that contrary to initial reports, Rees-Jones was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash. Rather, his life was saved by a perfectly functioning airbag.

As indicated by French daily Le Figaro last week, investigators ruled out a defect of the Mercedes as a factor in the smash after 13 months of technical tests on the limousine.

The second report handed in Monday touches on the slightly higher- than- average amount of carboxyhemoglobin found in Paul's blood. Carboxyhemoglobin, which is typical of smokers, is a compound formed by carbon monoxide and hemoglobin which slows down oxygenation.

ABC employees locked out of station

CHICAGO — On what was TV's busiest day of the year, ABC television stations across the country headed into Election Day on Tuesday without most of their crucial behind-the-scenes workers, who as of late Monday night were locked out of the stations by management.

Roughly 1,500 camera people, technicians, writers, producers and desk assistants represented by the National Association of Broadcast Employees and Technicians walked off the job Monday morning in Chicago, New York, Washington, D.C., Los Angeles and San Francisco in what was to have been a 24-hour job action over healthinsurance issues.

The union employees have been working for 19 months without a contract.

But ABC executives in New York locked out the workers Monday afternoon, saying they wanted assurances they would receive advance warning about future job actions before letting the employees back in.

Station managers insisted the striking workers would have no effect on broadcast quality, but it was easy to spot several onair mistakes throughout much of Monday.

Spanish Magistrate to extradite Pinochet

Clinton threatens Hussein

WASHINGTON (AFP) — President Clinton warned Monday that Baghdad's decision to bar UN experts from all weapons sites will backfire against Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, who could face military action.

"Saddam Hussein's latest refusal to cooperate with the international weapons inspectors is completely unacceptable," Clinton said during a White House ceremony.

Earlier, Clinton met with his security team for a second day to review developments following Iraq's announcement Saturday that it would bar arms inspectors from the UN Special Commission (UNSCOM) at all sites.

The president said his advisers had discussed next steps for dealing with the crisis and they agreed that until the arms experts are "back on the job, no options are off the table."

The UN Security Council has demanded Iraq reverse "immediately and unconditionally" its decision, and Clinton noted that Baghdad's move had galvanized international support for a firm stand.

"Once again," Clinton said, "It will backfire."

"Saddam Hussein's latest refusal to cooperate ... is completely unacceptable."

-President Clinton

"Far from dividing the international community and achieving concessions, his obstruction ... has only served to deepen the international community's resolve."

Clinton is sending Defense Secretary William Cohen, who cut short an Asian tour to cope with the crisis, abroad to consult with American allies, White House spokesman Joe Lockhart said.

Washington backed off from a military confrontation with Iraq in August after Arab countries and some European allies showed reluctance to support a U.S. military response.

Hussein has insisted crippling sanctions be lifted and opposes the inspections that he charges are dominated by the United States.

But Clinton demanded that Iraq

fulfill its obligations to UN disarmament resolutions imposed following the 1990 invasion of Kuwait "with no restrictions, runarounds or roadblocks."

Cohen joined Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, national security adviser Sandy Berger, CIA director George Tenet and the chairman of the joint chiefs of staff General Henry Shelton to brief Clinton at the White House.

Since Aug. 5, Iraq has prohibited UNSCOM and the International Atomic Energy Agency from carrying out surprise inspections of new sites.

The latest decision means UNSCOM inspectors, who have not been asked to leave Iraq, would be confined to surveillance of suspected sites with video equipment installed at some locations.

Despite UNSCOM's tense relationship with Iraq since its creation in 1991, this crisis marks the first time it has halted all cooperation.

Richard Butler, the UNSCOM chairman, described the developments over the weekend as Iraq's worst confrontation thus far with the UN Security Council, which voted eight years ago to slap comprehensive sanctions on Iraq.

Israel delays implementaion of peace accord with Palestine

BY DAVID MILLIKIN AFP News Service

JERUSALEM (AFP) — Israel dealt another blow to the Wye River peace deal on Monday by delaying its implementation at least 10 days, while the Palestinians fulfilled a key condition of the accord.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu telephoned Yasser Arafat to explain the decision, and the Palestinian leader agreed to the delay, to give the Israeli parliament time to ratify the deal, senior Arafat adviser Ahmed Tibi said.

"Arafat agreed to hold up the implementation a few days as long as the Israeli government committed itself not to delay it longer," Tibi said.

For their part, the Palestinians said they were determined to stick to their side of the timetable despite the Israeli postponement.

"We will stick to our side of the

"We will stick to our side of the agreement ... we are not willing to give the Israelis an excuse not to implement the agreement."

—Palestinian official

agreement completely because we are not willing to give the Israelis an excuse not to implement the agreement," a Palestinian official told AFP.

"The plan is ready and we discussed it with the Americans and the Israelis," Arafat said after a meeting l with Danish Foreign Minister Niels Helveg Petersen. The Wye River agreement, which requires Israel to cede more West Bank land and take other steps to expand Palestinian autonomy in exchange for anti-terror actions, was signed in Washington on Oct. 23 and had been due to take effect Monday.

Netanyahu delayed a vote on the agreement from last week until Tuesday to be sure the Palestinians would honor a promise to submit a counter-terrorism plan to the United States by Monday.

Arafat obtained his cabinet's approval of Wye River on Friday and his police have in recent days arrested hundreds of militants from the main anti-Israel militant group, HAMAS, in a crackdown required by the accord.

Since the deal was signed, it has suffered a series of blows, including two deadly attacks on Jewish settlers by HAMAS and other militants opposed to peace with Israel.

A third report on the Aug. 31, 1997, crash is yet to be submitted before any judicial followup can take place.

Diana was killed, along with her companion Dodi Fayed and his chauffeur Henri Paul, when the Mercedes crashed into a pillar in the Alma underpass in Paris. A fourth passenger, bodyguard Trevor Rees-Jones, was seriously injured.

Initial police estimates had put the car's speed at 111 mph. According to sources close to the case, an analysis of brake marks at the scene of the accident also helped experts estimate the speed of the Mercedes 280 S at between 78 and 96 mph when it entered the Alma tunnel, where it scraped a white Fiat MADRID (AFP) — Spanish investigating magistrate Baltasar Garzon on Tuesday formally applied for the extradition of former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet, who is on bail in a private hospital in Britain.

Garzon, acting on behalf of families whose relatives were murdered during Pinochet's regime, initiated the process, which led to Pinochet's arrest in London on Oct. 16. He has accused Pinochet of genocide, terrorism and torture.

The Spanish legal proceedings are going ahead independently of those in Britain, where that nation's court ruled last week that Pinochet enjoyed sovereign immunity as a head of state and could not be extradited.

Microsoft corporation under fire as Gates' testimony is examined

BY VIRGINIA MONTET

AFP News Service

WASHINGTON (AFP) — A federal court late Monday watched videotaped testimony from Microsoft chairman Bill Gates, whose company stands accused by the government of trying to snuff out competition.

The tape showed that Gates "very rarely answers questions directly," said Stephen Houck, an attorney representing 20 states that have joined the Justice Department in filing a sweeping antitrust suit against Microsoft. The trial is in its third week before Federal District Court Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson. Attorneys for both sides spent much of the day in closed-door talks with Jackson to determine which portions of the tape would be shown. Houck said the tape showed Gates responding to questions about a key meeting on June 21, 1995 of executives from Microsoft and rival Netscape.

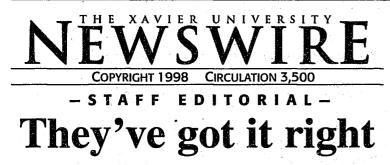
The government contends that Microsoft sought to pressure Netscape into becoming part of an illegal scheme to divide the Internet browser market. But Microsoft spokesman Mark Murray maintained that the taped extracts focused on the company's relations with Apple Computer.

Murray accused government lawyers of "trying to inject Mr. Gates into this case. They're trying to sensationalize it."

Parts of Gates' deposition, taken in late August, were shown on Sept. 19, the first day of the trial.

Microsoft lead attorney John Warden interrogated executives from Netscape and America Online, who have alleged that Microsoft exerted pressure on them to cooperate in business relationships. **OPINIONS AND EDITORIALS**

THE XAVIER NEWSWIRE



With college

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e've been waiting, and now it's here. Tonight at 7 p.m., the Xavier basketball season begins with an exhibition game against the Hungarian national team. Ever since the week before Midnight Madness, excitement has been building in anticipation of tonight. But isn't basketball really just a game? Why all the fervor?

Basketball, as a whole, might be just a game, but college basketball is a sport. It remains one of the of the last embodies everything sports remainonly sports that still athletics is supposed ing, to keep us to stand for.

While professional sports today are largely made up of self-centered players, college basketball players, especially at Xavier, pride themselves on teamwork. In college basketball, no player can file for free

agency at the end of the season and no one gets a raise depending on production. All that gets graded in college basketball is the team, and, in this regard, all that matters is what the team is doing come March.

While the NBA has canceled a month of games as a result of the lockout over - what else money, no college games will be canceled this season. While most professionals are out to make as much money as they can, a majority of college players will never join the NBA or get the millions that come with it. However, they are playing for something of much more value: an education.

Sports are not supposed to be just a career, or for money. Rather, sports are meant to be a form of competition that brings out the best in all participants. This is exactly what college

basketball does.

The players give their all, the coaches basketball, one teach and the fans become involved and excited. College basketball is an inclusive sport that has been exciting college campuses throughout the country for years. If the NBA and

its players have not yet realized that no one cares if they ever end the lockout, they soon will. All that

professional athletes stand for is exhibited in the lockout and no one is in a hurry to see such action return.

With college basketball, one of the last sports remaining, to keep us occupied and excited, it would be just as well if the NBA lockout never ended. There is no room for the greedy game of the NBA around here, because Xavier has found a real sport in college basketball. -MJ.M.

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- CAMPUS COMMENTARY-**Students seek different solutions**

bortion has distinguished two groups in society: lives wanted, and those unwanted. This is a scary distinction. The elderly and sick can be unwanted. The poor can be unwanted. Minorities can be unwanted. Murderers can be unwanted. Yet our feelings for these people do not question their intrinsic right to life. Our mission as students for life is to protect the unwanted. Everyone is deserving of love and mercy, from conception until natural death.

To justify abortion, people frequently try to establish the beginning of human life at birth. But, to quote Professor Micheline Mathews-Roth of Harvard University Medical School, "It is scientifically correct to say that an individual human life begins at conception." At fertilization, a person's chromosomes and blood type distinguish themselves from his or her mother, and only an outside force can stop the process. Once a person, always a person, whether inside or outside the womb. One cannot turn into something that he or she already is. We need to admit this: Infanticide begins in abortion.

Ironically, our scientific society turns its back to science on this issue, claiming fertilization doesn't make the person, but, rather, other people's feelings for that person do. A fetus is miraculously human when someone else wants it, yet a non-person when one would rather not deal with the young life. A person's worth depends upon whether others think his or her life is meaningful.

Instead of promoting choices that kill, our efforts must be directed to support mothers and fathers, when they are present. We aim to create a community conducive to parents and pregnant mothers, one that doesn't make a silent killing a better option than adoption or raising children. Instead of streamlining the death penalty process, let's redirect our hatred for murder into action to establish a system that changes attitudes rather than eradicates people. It's an ethic that doesn't ignore problems but seeks different solutions.

It demands a courageous personto profess the consistent ethic for life that students for life champions. We seek to inform the public about

life, to promote alternatives to destructive decisions and to provide resources to assist them when faced with difficult choices. We work through political, social and spiritual realms to eliminate abortion, capital punishment, euthanasia and human rights abuses in all their various forms. Our mission is crucial and immediate. Each lost life is a loss to every member of the human race. Life is precious and it must be protected.

Students for Life has been wonderfully active this fall. We've welcomed several speakers to the campus, including Carol Crossed of the Seamless Garment Network, a national consistent ethic for life group. We've also engaged in service at the Drake Center and prayed at Masses dedicated to life. We will be offering our support to crisis pregnancy centers in Cincinnati and striving to create an atmosphere of dialogue on the campus. Our meetings are weekly at 8:30 p.m. on Sunday in the Dorothy Day House. All are welcome. Come celebrate life with us.

-Tony Stieritz, Katie Bergman, and Kim Burnside for Students for Life

-LETTER TO THE EDITOR-**Roommate has right to opinion** Unpopular ideas should be discussed, not disrespected

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ver since August 21, 1998, I has had problems with others drink- who respected his opinion and the have been extremely proud to call myself a Musketeer. Xavier has been a place where the people have been really friendly, and everyone is accepted for who they are. I have been extremely comfortable sharing my views and opinions in different classes and discussions, because even though my thoughts and opinions may not have been the same as others, I know that my opinion will be respected, just like I respect the opinions of others.

I felt very comfortable, that is. until last week. My roommate, Brian Ertzinger, submitted a letter to the editor about underage drinking in last week's Newswire. Brian feels very strongly about his opinions and is not afraid to stand up for them. He expressed his opinion in last week's paper because he

ing on campus, and he was tired of it. He chooses not to drink and feels that those who do so illegally have made a wrong decision. This is his opinion, and he's entitled to it.

I do not share his opinion. It is not unusual to find me at a party on the weekend. I enjoy partying just as much as the next person. I don't share his opinion, but I do respect it. I've been brought up learning to respect other's opinions, and from what I've seen so far, Xavier puts an enormous emphasis on this idea. However, it has become apparent to me that maybe this emphasis hasn't hit a few of the students at this university.

Over the past week, my roommate has received at least twenty calls commenting on his letter. One of those calls was from a person courage it took to write the letter. The rest were calls of total disrespect. None of those students called to share why they disagreed or to ask Brian why he feels the way he does, they simply called to tell him what they thought of his opinion. This was done in the most disrespectful and ignorant manner that I've ever heard.

Xavier University is based around more than just textbooks, it's based around Jesuit beliefs, one of those being respect. Respect, and the other beliefs, are worked into classes at Xavier everyday. I think a few students need to look a little deeper into their Xavier education than just the books.

> -Steve Fisk Freshman

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- MALL TALK-

IF you were to pick a new Xavier mascot, who or what would it be?



"A female Musketeer."

> -Taisha Rojas Senior



"A big blue banana."

-Dave Broxterman if they had a wild yak with a sword Freshman and a hat."

"It'd be hard to top the Blue Blob for monster." creativity. Maybe

Sophomore

-Mark Zedella Sophomore



"A big blue cookie

-Annette Gruber

"A blue lizard ... "A talking 'X' like the letters on they're kind of Sesame Street." cool."

> -Jamie Deyee -Mike Connell Freshman Sophomore

"A big 'X' and a big 'U' so two people could have as much fun as the blob."



"Zena, warrior princess."

> -Marcy Donohue Sophomore

-Sam Stephens Freshman

-LETTERS TO THE EDITOR-**Drinking 'problem' exaggerated**

just finished reading Brian Ertzinger's article in last week's issue of The Newswire. He commented on the "appalling" underage drinking problem we have here at Xavier. He also kept complaining about the lack of enforcement of drinking regulations by campus police.

Does he know that this is college? Drinking is a part of life, and so are problems. College is a time to deal with those problems: not to whine about them.

Last year, I lived in ground central of Brockman. a.k.a. "The Pit," which was the hub for loud music, drinking and some extracurricular activities.

Did I have a problem with those things? Absolutely! But there is a difference between the problems of the author and myself — I dealt with mine. If I had a dilemma with people, I talked to them about it. I didn't run with a poorly

Xavier, it definitely is. I agree 100 percent with the article. This college is a joke

read Brian Ertzinger's let-

ter "Underage drinking

problem ignored" in last

week's Newswire. Here at

Is it really true that every time you enter an elevator you smell vomit and see people defecating?

screaming "Jesuit values."

He also commented that few people have the "morals" to resist drinking. By this logic, I guess I'm a moral person because I don't drink. I don't drink at all; I'm 100 percent dry. Yes, I take that road less traveled, but that does not make me better than anvone else.

My advice to you is to deal with your problems ----I've had to with mine. And if that means going to a boarding school, fine with me. I'll even help you pack.

A school is not going to shelter you from the problems you have with others. And if you have ever been to written letter to the editor, a state college, you'd appreciate Xavier's campus and drinking policy so much more

People need to take responsibility and be honest with themselves. Is it really true that every time you enter an elevator you smell vomit and see people defecating? Is it also true that drunks disturb your study every few minutes?

And how many times have you actually seen our boys in blue drive right past people with "forties?" They've always been very diligent about enforcing university rules in my past experiences.

To the author I'd say, listen, you've only been here two months, and you're making a generalization about the whole campus. Why don't you get back to me in about a year, and if you still have a problem, we can talk.

> -Marc Schifalacqua Sophomore

No alcohol enforcement at Xavier

I'm in college to learn and have fun but I resent having to be surrounded by people who are constantly "out of it" and acting like imbeciles.

Campus police do an outstanding job giving parking tickets. Maybe they should concentrate on a more serious issue.

I'm in college to learn and have fun but I resent having

Discretion has role in law enforcement

I am sometimes ap-

n response to Brian Ertzinger's letter in last week's *Newswire*, I do not believe the author fully understands the concept of discretion in law enforcement. He claims Xavier campus police operate on a system of discretion, but not a penal code.

However, in the context of criminal justice, discretion allows an officer to make a decision of what to do with an individual offender, relative to the severity of the offense. For example, an officer may choose to release a person who has committed an act of jaywalking with no more than a warning, but

the same officer is required to arrest a person suspected of committing murder.

The underlying foundation of discretion is a penal code, and in the case of a campus law enforcement agency, any institutional policies.

In respect to the derstand how anyone who is not directly involved with a department can

office or The Newswire are unorganized without any type of experience or proof.

If his argument is based on the lack of a criminal justice club, I feel Ertzinger should offer any assistance he can to help this club come to be. I have spoken with both Chief Couch and former officer Dan Aultman about the criminal justice club, and understand the status of the club. There was never a promise of a criminal justice club in the letter sent to all criminal justice majors over the summer, merely an inquiry to the level of interest for such a club. On Club Day, Aultman was manning a table to distribute information and to gather names of interested students.

toxicated students on campus, but I realize I cannot blame these actions on the university or society. These students make a conscious effort to drink; they are not force-fed alcohol by anyone.

In response to the claim that officers would "drive right by students who were obviously drunk," a key point has to be understood. In the Ohio Revised Code, the penal code of the state, section 1713.50(c) states that campus police members may exercise their powers "only on the property of the private college or university that employs them."

> Depending on where the students were walking, there are varying levels of what campus police are permitted to do. When any law enforcement officer is in a cruiser on patrol, it is possible that officer is en route to another call.

> If one looks in the "Police Notes" published weekly in The Newswire, there are obviously more violations of the law going on than underage drinking and public intoxication. As Sgt. Maj. Wickman stated in the

Oct. 28 Newswire, "People don't realize what all the Xavier Police are involved in."

I am very much relieved campus police have conducted investigations surrounding the string of car break-ins last year. There have been much greater crimes than alcohol-related ones that have come to the forefront this year, such as the theft of bicycles and audiovisual equipment and crimes chronicled in the pages of The Newswire.

palled by the behavior of intoxicated students on campus, but I realize I cannot blame these actions on the university or society. These students make a conscious effort to

author's claim that there is a lack of organization in the Xavier Campus Police Department, I cannot un-

drink; they are not forcefed alcohol by anyone. claim this. It would be im-

proper for me to claim that the President's

when it comes to enforcing underage drinking policies. Instead of "no tolerance," they take a "no enforcement" approach.

When trudging through the college selection process, my parents and I were told the university strictly prohibits underage drinking. I definitely thought this would be enforced on the honors floor.

This school may claim they enforce rules by making random safety checks of the dorms, but this is also a sugar-coated idea, which, in reality, hinders underage drinkers to a minimal degree.

Some students were concerned their alcohol stash would be discovered during the safety inspection, and

moved it to their car trunks for the day. This wasn't even necessary because the safety inspectors weren't permitted to look in the refrigerators.

This isn't the only area of enforcement that could be improved. On numerous occasions, I have seen students drunk on campus with open containers in hand, and the campus police just turn the other way and pretend not to see it.

Is tuition money so important to the university that they must disregard the law in order to make more money?

to be surrounded by people who are constantly "out of it" and acting like imbeciles.

I've seen individuals so drunk they couldn't even walk from the elevator to their room. One student was actually so intoxicated he defecated right next to me while riding on the elevator.

This is a Jesuit university, founded on Catholic morals. However, if someone were to visit on a Friday or Saturday night, they would think they were in a Budweiser commercial where all the students were hosting college keg fest '98, while campus police sat and observed like frogs.

-Mike McGee Freshman

In my last conversation with Couch, I was told the information was going to be presented to Dr. Richardson, chair of the criminal justice department, to gather his support of the club.

On the subject of underage drinking, I am also a member of the minority of nondrinkers on campus. While I cannot claim I have never had an alcoholic beverage, I can say that I have not since I came to Xavier. I am sometimes appalled by the behavior of in-

While I do not know what training Ertzinger has had in criminal justice beyond his eight weeks so far at Xavier, I implore him to continue in his studies a while longer and rethink his positions.

> -Ted Langdon Senior

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SPORTS BRIEFS >Sports Desk: 745-2878 >E-mail: sports@xavier.xu.edu Prosser hospitalized Skip Prosser, the head coach of the men's basketball team, was

hospitalized Sunday night with pneumonia. Prosser had been feeling under the weather all weekend and checked into the hospital that night.

The illness has caused Prosser to miss the last three days of practice, including a late practice last night at the Cincinnati Gardens in preparation for tonight's exhibition game against the Hungarian National Team. The practice at the Gardens last evening was very important for the newcomers, some of who have never seen the Gardens in its basketball setting.

Prosser remains in the hospital with the hope that he will be able to return for tonight's game. If he is not able to do so, assistant coach Jeff Battle will be the acting head coach tonight.

-Matt Madges

Xavier splashes Bulldogs

The Xavier men's and women's swim teams competed in a road meet at the University of Butler last Sunday.

The Xavier men had a successful meet, and defeated the Bulldogs by a final score of 120 to 85. The squad was led by an outstanding performance from freshman Geoff Brown, who finished first in the 1000-meter free and 100-meter free with impressive times of 10:17.16 and 50.09. Sophomore Louis Dissel also had a standout performance, finishing first in the 100-meter breaststroke and 50meter free.

Despite losing their meet, the women's squad had impressive efforts from freshman Kelly Wilson and sophomore Rachel Reilly. Reilly took home first place in the 50-meter free, and 100-meter breaststroke with times of 25.19, and 1:10.58. Wilson had a solid showing winning the 200-meter individual medley competition with a solid time of 2:16.81.

The XU swim team will continue their season when they host Louisville at the O'Conner Sports Center Friday night at 6 p.m. -Amjad Zahra

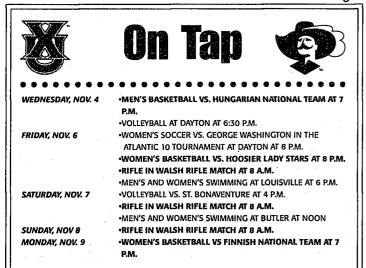
Recruits' decisions coming

John Oden, a basketball recruit from Phoenix, made his official visit over the weekend. Oden is expected to make a decision this week between Massachusetts, DePaul and Xavier concerning where he will play next year. Prosser was not able to spend as much time as he would have liked with Oden due to his illness.

Rickey Wright, another recruit, made his official visit to Xavier two weeks ago. He is expected to make his decision this week also. Wright is also considering Michigan, Purdue and Villanova.

Xavier has one scholarship remaining for next year.

-Matt Madges



Volleyball tied for second Will face conference-leading Dayton tonight

BY JOE ANGOLIA Sports Writer

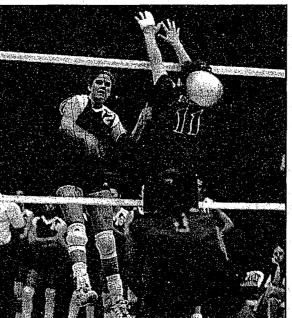
With the season winding down, and the Atlantic 10 tournament getting closer, now is the time for the best teams to pull away from the pack. That is exactly what the Xavier women's volleyball team did this past week.

With two games against Atlantic 10 foes, the conference frontrunner Temple Owls and the Explorers of La Salle, the XU women pushed themselves closer to the top with two big wins.

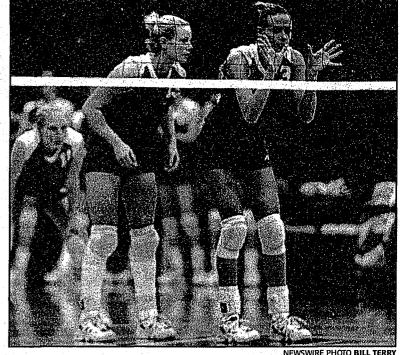
On Oct. 30, the Lady Musketeers played host to Temple University. Temple entered the game with a 10-2 record in A-10 play, 14-6 overall, and had handed the XU women a loss earlier in the year. The Lady Muskies came into the game with a 9-3 record in the A-10; 12-8 overall.

A win against the Owls would bring the number one seed within the Lady Muskies' grasp. With that in mind, in the friendly confines of Schmidt Fieldhouse, the Lady Muskies came out and jumped all over the Owls. The XU women played game one fiercely and efficiently, and won the game easily 15-6.

The night would get no better for Temple, as the XU women continued to beat the Owls unmercifully. They won game two 15-5, and finished off Temple in game three by the same score. Except for the first few minutes of game one, the Owls hardly played like the defending A-



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BILL TERRY Senior middle blocker Gabe Cook (12) fires a



Junior middle blocker Jenny Janszen (right) and freshman outside hitter Jill Hampton (left) prepare to go up for a block.

10 champs and usually overpowering team that they are.

The XU frontline dominated the game as junior Jenny Janszen and senior Gabe Cook each scored kills in double digits (11 and 10 respectively). Temple was unable to defend against the Xavier assault. The Owls recorded only three team blocks, compared to 11.5 for the Lady Muskies.

Freshmen Jill Hampton and Sara Bachus also provided sparks, as Hampton recorded 11 kills and Bachus scored three serving aces. Junior Beth Osterday helped out on defense, coming up with 13 digs,

> and senior Cara Espelage dished out 42 assists.

The Lady Musketeers took on La Salle the next night at Schmidt Fieldhouse. The game was Muskie Massacre promotion night, in which a Xavier win in 60 minutes or less would pro-

vide free tickets to a future match for all in attendance. Though the XU women sur-

with another conference win.

Surprisingly though, the victory came with more opposition than Temple had put up. The first game was quick and painless for the Lady Muskies as they disposed of the Explorers 15-6.

In game two though, the Explorers found their stride, and fought off the Lady Muskies' charge. The XU women fought back and played to an eventual 15-10 win.

Game three was a disappointing conclusion for the Explorers. The XU women finished off La Salle, 15-5.

Leading the way for the XU women were Cook and Hampton. Cook led the team in kills with 18, followed by Hampton with 14. Osterday led the team defensively, coming up with 22 digs, followed by sophomore Gina Geraci with 11. Espelage led the team in assists with 48

The XU women will continue their quest for an A-10 title this week on the road, as they take on Dayton tonight and St. Bonaventure on Saturday.

The road trip will continue the following week, with games on Nov. 13 and 14 against Virginia Tech and Duquesne, before returning home to finish the season off against Massachusetts and Rhode Island on Nov. 20 and 21.

With the remaining matches all against A-10 opponents, these contests are all must-wins for the Lady requirement (90 Musketeers if Xavier is to have a high seed in the conference tournament.

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Women's Soccer vs. G. Washington Atlantic 10 Tournament semi-final 8 p.m. Friday at Dayton

The women's soccer team travels up north Friday to participate in the Atlantic 10 Tournament. The women are 8-1 in their last nine games, but the loss came at the hands of George Washington. Thus, the team is seeking revenge on the Colonials. With a win, the Lady Musketeers would play in the championship game at noon. So pack up the car and head up I-75 to root on the Lady Musketeers. By the way, what better school to party at after the game than UD?

ball past a leaping Temple defender. Cook was named co-player of the week in the A-10 for the 28 kills she recorded over the weekend.

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Women face GW in A-10 Tourney Hubbard's goalkeeping saves weekend, named conference Player of the Week

BY MATT MADGES Assistant Sports Editor

Senior goalkeeper Ann Marie Hubbard has had many great accomplishments over four years at Xavier including, being named the Soccer America Goalkeeper of the Week in 1995. No accomplishment was more important, however, than her shutout goaltending last weekend in two key Atlantic 10 games.

With the offense struggling to provide pressure, Hubbard recorded nine saves over the two games to help the Lady Musketeers defeat Fordham and La Salle on the road. The two victories move Xavier to 7-0-1 in the A-10 when Hubbard is in goal. For her outstanding goalkeeping in such a crucial time of the season, Hubbard was honored as the A-10 Player of the Week.

With the two wins, the women finished third in the A-10 and thus clinched a spot in the conference tournament. Xavier will face George Washington in the second semi-final game at 8 p.m. on Friday at Dayton. The first semi-final will match regular-season champion Dayton against defending A-10 champion Massachusetts. The championship will be held Sunday at noon.

HOW THEY GOT THERE

The road to the A-10 Tournament has been a long and bumpy road for the women. The team got off to a rough start for the season partly due to facing one of its toughest schedules ever. Over the first eight games of the season, the women went 2-5-1.

"Most of the team had never experienced having a losing record before and we really didn't know what to do with ourselves," said senior tri-captain Colleen Savage.

Over the eight-game span the Lady Musketeers were only able to score five goals, but they knew that if they continued to work hard things would turn around.

"Even though we were losing some games, we just kept on working the entire time," said sophomore forward Annette Gruber. "We got frustrated, but as a team we made the choice to continue to play as hard as we could and not to give up."

work and determination did begin to pay off. Upon entering the last two games of the season, the team was 6-2-1 in the conference, which included a six-game winning streak at one point. Also included in this stretch was a 3-2 overtime victory over defending A-10 champion Massachusetts.

"The rough times we had at the beginning of the season only made us stronger in the end," said junior forward Christie Reinshagen. "We picked things up and we're stronger than we've been."

The team's turn-around left them in third place entering the last weekend of conference play; one victory shy of clinching an A-10 Tournament berth. The victory would have to come on the road for the women as the last two games were at Fordham and La Salle.

XAVIER 1, FORDHAM 0

On paper, Friday's match-up against Fordham appeared to be an easy one for the women. Xavier entered the contest with a conference record of 6-2-1, while Fordham was 2-7.

However, Xavier came out slow to start the game and the offense struggled to provide pressure on the Rams. In addition, Fordham was able to put together many scoring opportunities, but the Xavier defense held strong.

"We didn't feel as though that team was going to be as hard as any other team we've played," said Reinshagen. "Maybe we didn't come out as strong as we needed to and it kind of showed, but we pulled through."

The score remained in a scoreless tie due to outstanding defense and a little bit of luck. The defense, led by Hubbard, turned away all seven of the Rams' first-half shots, keeping the team in the game.

Then, in the 36th minute, the women got a little lucky when Reinshagen scored on an assist from senior midfielder Amy Lemon. With much congestion in the front of the net, Lemon was able to head the ball backward to Reinshagen who found the corner of the net.

"I was just in the right place at the right time," said Reinshagen. "It ended up being a decently placed shot, but I didn't really aim for that

It was Reinshagen's eighth goal of the season and it was the first assist of the season for Lemon. In the end, the goal would prove to be the game-winner, which was Reinshagen's fifth game-winning goal this season.

The goal gave the women a 1-0 lead. No more scoring took place in the final nine minutes of the first half, so the Lady Musketeers entered halftime with the slim lead.

Fordham came out very strong to start the second half and once again had numerous scoring chances. However, the Xavier defense continued to minimize the Rams' attack and preserve the 1-0 lead.

Fordham was not able to capitalize on its opportunities and the game ended in a 1-0 victory for the women.

"I think we got a little lucky because they had many chances where they really did almost score," said Gruber. "We just put one in and sometimes it just turns out like that."

The shutout by Hubbard was her fifth of the season and brings her career total to 18.5 shutouts. Her performance was very important in the victory due to the offense's struggle to score.

"[Hubbard] never says a negative thing," said senior tri-captain Keri Heedum. "She is always positive and it just makes you want to keep on playing."

The victory moved the team to 7-2-1 in the A-10 and also clinched Xavier third place in the conference and a berth in the A-10 Tournament.

XAVIER 1, LA SALLE 0

Since the team had already secured a spot in the conference tournament, Quinn decided to change the starting lineup around.

"I did it to give some of the players a chance to rest and to see how others would perform in that situation," said Quinn.

La Salle came out very fast and physical to start the game. In the first half the Explorers out-shot XU 15-3.

However, the women made their limited shots count when they scored an unassisted goal in the 23rd minute. Savage was credited with the goal, after her hard crossing shot was deflected into the goal by a La Salle defender.



PHOTO COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION Senior goalkeeper Ann Marie Hubbard was honored as A-10

the girl on the other team just happened to shank it into her own goal."

Player of the Week.

Even though the goal was not the best-looking goal of the season, the team would take it. The goal was Savage's second of the season and gave the Lady Musketeers a 1-0 lead.

The Xavier defense, led once again by Hubbard, came up strong in preserving the lead. Hubbard made five saves in the half before leaving the game at the 39:40 mark due to a quad injury and a possible hyper-extension. The injury occurred while Hubbard was attempting to make a save when a La Salle player collided into her.

"She reminds me of when I was little and my coach always told us to go out and sacrifice our body. That is the kind of goalkeeper that she is," said Savage. "The fact doesn't even come into her mind that she could get hurt, she is determined that the ball is not going into the net."

Fellow senior Karen Kase replaced Hubbard. No more goals were scored as the first half ended with Xavier up 1-0.

The second half was an uptempo battle that saw both teams with numerous scoring chances, but tory for the Lady Musketeers. The victory moved the team to 8-2-1 in the conference and 10-6-2 overall.

NEXT FOR XAVIER

Entering this season, the team's goal was to better last season's performance in the A-10 Tournament, which was a loss in the semi-finals to George Washington. To attain this goal, the team needs to reach the conference championship game, but again, the Colonials are standing in the way.

"We have to get past George Washington first," said Quinn.

Hubbard is listed as day-to-day, but should be fine come Friday. The team is very excited about participating in the conference tournament and is ready to play.

"We are pleased to be there and feel we deserve to be there," said Quinn. "We are optimistic and are looking forward to playing George Washington again."

The team will be looking for revenge against the Colonials on Friday. Two weeks ago, GW defeated XU 1-0 in a game that could have gone either way. Last year, Xavier lost to the GW in overtime in the A-10 semi-final.

"This is our last chance, and we're ready," said Heedum.

of the season, the women's hard could and hoped that it went in."

Entering the conference portion corner. I just kicked it as hard as I

"It wasn't even a shot," said Sav- neither team being able to capitalage. "I was crossing the ball and ize. The game ended in a 1-0 vic-

Cross Country finishes 10th at A-10 Championships

BY DAN BUTLER Sports Writer

The Xavier cross country teams performed well this weekend, but their respective finishes indicate that there is a good deal of room for improvement. A majority of the Atlantic 10 is on a different level.

The Xavier women finished 10th out of 11 teams, only 30 points behind ninth place. Massachusetts finished first.

It is a hilly course, with one hill so steep it was appropriately named "Parachute Hill."

"The course was fair, but not as slow as was predicted," said coach Caroline Spencer.

Freshman Sarah Johnstone placed first for Xavier and ran a personal best of 20:36. Freshmen Maggie Dunn and Ruby Kam scored well for the Musketeers, placing fourth and fifth respectively.

"I was quite pleased with the girls' strong performance. The hill workouts in practice helped a great deal. The girls were amazed that they were passing people on the hills," said Spencer.

Unfortunately for the women, no one finished under twenty minutes, which was the goal all season and the qualification to race at the District Championships.

However, the women can look toward a bright future. The team will lose two seniors and the top seven runners will return for the 1999 campaign.

The women are off for two weeks, and then they will train on their own until winter practices in February. In the spring, they will compete in five track meets.

"We are very eager about next

year. Getting the freshmen racing experience was key, they have enough to worry about adjusting to college and a different racing schedule. Everyone will be very confident going into next year," said Spencer.

The men's team also finished 10th out of the eleven teams. St. Joseph's finished first. Conditions again, were ideal.

"The course has a little of everything, some rocks, grass and hills," said senior Chris German.

Junior Dave Dickman was the top XU finisher in 13th place.

"Now I know I can compete with the best the conference has to offer," said Dickman.

Freshman Seth Rinderknecht, sophomore Nick Boeing and junior Dave Michitti all set personal records.

"We finished about where we expected. We are just not at the same level yet as many of the teams in the conference," said Germann.

The women's season is over, but the men move on to the District Championships in Terre Haute, Ind.

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THE XAVIER NEWSWIRE

Loss holds XU out of A-10 Championship Seven goals in two games produce only one win as Musketeers' season ends

BY BILL HUGHES Sports Writer

The men's soccer team had control of their own destiny going into Friday's game against the Fordham Rams (11-6-1). Xavier needed a win against Fordham and another win against the La Salle Explorers (3-12-1) on Sunday in order to qualify for the Atlantic 10 conference tournament, but came up short in their effort.

FORDHAM 4, XAVIER 3

The Musketeers had lost three straight conference games going into Friday's home match-up against Fordham. Xavier and Fordham were tied for third place in the A-10 and both teams desperately needed a victory.

The XU men took an early lead with a goal from sophomore forward Josh Hammerschmidt in the 15th minute off of a cross from junior midfielder Dave Spaccarelli. Xavier promptly scored in the 16th minute with a breakaway assist from Hammerschmidt to junior midfielder Maringo Vlijter. The Rams countered, however, with goals in the 27th and 37th minutes to make the score 2-2 at the half.

The Musketeers were quick to score again with a goal from Hammerschmidt in the 49th minute off of an assist from Spaccarelli.

Fordham did not slow down as they scored again in the 56th minute of play. The Rams then sealed the victory with an unassisted goal in the 85th minute.

The 4-3 loss to player for the L Fordham put the Musketeers in a difficult position going into Sunday's match-up against La Salle. Xavier not only needed to



Freshman defender Alex Schick (13) challenges an opposing player for the ball.

either Virginia Tech or Rhode Island

to lose in order to make the confer-

beat the Explorers, but they also needed St. Bonaventure to lose, and The second half of play began

with the Musketeers leading 2-0 and the momentum going in their

ence tournament.

XAVIER 4, LA SALLE 2

Against La Salle, the XU men again took early control of the game with a goal from senior forward Chas Cooke in the 10th minute off of a breakaway pass from fresh-Andy man Crouch. Xavier scored again inthe 25th minute with a goal from Spaccarelli off of an assist from Vlijter. The XU men's scoring attack was at its best as the team

direction. Xavier capitalized on their lead in the 52nd minute with a goal from junior midfielder Brian DiBattista off of a header from freshman defender Rob Bakker. Spaccarelli connected with Vlijter on a breakaway in the 63rd minute to take a 4-0 lead over La Salle.

The Explorers put in a late effort with goals in the 86th and 87th minutes to end the game as a 4-2 victory for Xavier.

The victory came with a sour note as St. Bonaventure lost their game, but neither Virginia Tech nor Rhode Island lost their games.

WHAT'S NEXT

The Musketeers ended their season tied for fifth in the A-10 with a record of 11-9-0. The team proved to be one of the top teams in the conference with all of the A-10 losses coming within one goal.

Xavier will be losing valuable seniors Cooke and defender Fred Corpuz, but the team shows much promise as nine of the 11 starters will be returning for next season.





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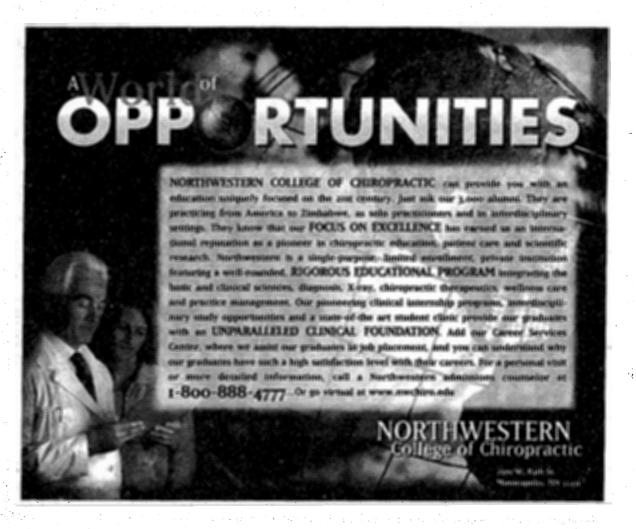
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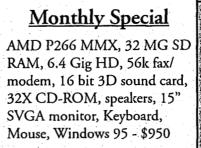
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Born in Split, Yugoslavia in 1962, Gekic was picking out melodies on the piano at one and a half years of age. In 1978 he studied at the Art Academy of Novi Sad, Yugoslavia and graduated in 1982 with the highest mark ever granted on a recital exam, and was immediately given a faculty appointment.

Gekic has toured across Europe and the Far East, as well as Canada and Russia.

He'd want it this way

The Cincinnati Art Museum will be having a "Thank Van Gogh It's Friday" party on Friday, Nov. 6, from 5:30-9 p.m. The Matt DeCoster Band will perform along with art showings and food by the Backstage restaurants.

The cost is \$6 per person and \$4 for Cincinnati Art Museum members. Price includes entertainment, hors d'oeuvres and admission. For more information, call 721-5204.

The Charts

This week's top 10 from the Billboard "Hot 100" Singles: 1) "The First Night" Monica 2) "One Week" Barenaked Ladies 3) "How Deep Is Your Love" **Dru Hill Featuring Redman** 4) "Lately" Divine 5) "Because of You" 98 Degrees 6) "Crush" Jennifer Paige 7) "I Don't Want To Miss A Thing" Aerosmith 8) "This Kiss" Faith Hill 9) "I'll Be" Edwin McCain 10) "Nobody's Supposed To Be Here" Deborah Cox

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This week's top 10 albums

New Releases

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CONCERT REVIEW -**Well-oiled Machines**

THE SUICIDE MACHINES, AVAIL AND OUT SPEND HALLOWEEN AT BOGART'S

LAUREN MOSKO

Diversions Editor On Halloween, it is expected that the freaks will run rampant ... and they did, but so did their parents, little brothers and sisters and a few of their Abercrombie-clad cousins. In short, the crowd for the All Hallows Eve show at Bogart's, featuring the Suicide Machines, Avail and Out, was one of the most diverse the venue has ever seen.

As soon as the doors opened, Bogart's was standing-room-only.

Louisville's Out kicked off the show, and the crowd was unimpressed. The lead singer convulsed on stage during the arrogant, angstridden set. His vocal line seemed like a weak attempt to imitate the Dead Kennedy's frontman, Jello Biafra. The rock-oriented lead guitar was overused, and the vocals were overbearing and annoying.

At the end of the set, the members of Out trashed their equipment; too bad this guit being cool to do during the glam-rock phase of the '80s. At this point, many disgusted people crossed the street to buy tickets for Mudhoney.

Next, Avail, a Virginia-based group, descended on the crowd with a passion and fury that further highlighted Out's musical inadequacies.

The Halloween show happened to be the 116th show Avail has performed this year and their last show of the tour (they will not play again in the United States until 1999). With this in mind, it is easy to understand why the band played with the urgent frenzy of "the last big hurrah."

The whole band was constantly jumping (even the drummer couldn't sit still), and the crowd seemed to pulse with the music. Hundreds of fists, along with the occasional arm or leg of a crowdsurfer, stuck randomly out of the sea of fans.

The band took breaks between songs to talk to the crowd, discussing how fake they thought professional wrestling is and instructing us all on the proper way to "mosh" and "circle dance."

While everyone seemed to be laughing at Avail's slap-happy jokes, I noticed that, even though the crowd was huge, it was Hallow-

een, and I was listening to various forms of metalpunk-ska, the violence was kept to a minimum. Unfortunately, a few hooligans had to be properly headlocked and escorted out, but for the most part this crowd was tame.

The set ended with the band petitioning the crowd. "Please help us make these last two songs of the tour go out with a bang," one of the members

asked. Make-shift confetti (actually feather-stuffing from pillows) rained down on the stage. It was a great ending to a great set, and now we were ready for the Machines.

The Suicide Machines (from Detroit) were scheduled to perform at 10:30 p.m., but it took so long for Bogart's staff to clean up all the feathers from Avail's set, they didn't actually start until after 11 p.m.

During the lag-time, the crowd was very restless. The longer we waited, the more people started to yell and pick fights. More people were dragged out. However, as soon as the lights dimmed, peace and solidarity prevailed.

The Suicide Machines were worth the wait.

Bassist Royce Nunley arrived dressing in a diaper, a pink bonnet and a bib. Lead singer Jason Navarro came painted green, announcing to the crowd that he could be either the Incredible Hulk, a giant booger or anything else we wanted to make him.

The entire band apologized profusely for the delay of set. As a peace offering, they invited a pizza delivery man on stage to distribute slices to the front rows. Jalepeños and garlic sauce containers were chucked into the crowd for anyone interested.

"Face Values" was one of the first songs played, and it seemed to be the anthem for the night. With lyrics like, "just cuz I don't look like

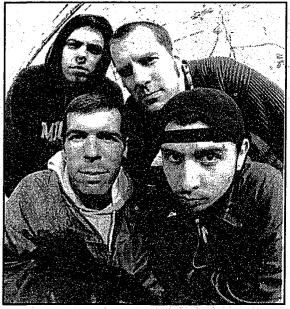


PHOTO COURTESY OF HOLLYWOOD RECORDS The Suicide Machines

you or act like you, doesn't make me any better or worse," Halloween attire (or punk music to all those who just don't understand) suddenly didn't seem so "freakish." During this song, the crowd surfers got such support, literally, that some were able to dance up-right over the crowd.

Old favorites like "Break the Glass" and "Islands" were the highpoints of the show, but the new songs proved promising. The fans responded well to "High Society," "Someone" and "Step One" (all songs from this year's release, Battle Hymns). Regardless of whether the material was new or old, the band never let up.

Toward the end of the show, a toddler with a T-shirt reading, "The Suicide Machines 3:16" on the front and "Oh, heck yeah" on the back was brought on stage and held up in front of the crowd. (To get the full effect, you must know that the back of the "grown-ups" T-shirt like the toddler's reads "Oh, hell yeah.") The crowd roared its approval, and the next generation of punk was christened at Bogart's.

Instead of pillow feathers, the Suicide Machines threw fresh flowers at the crowd, thanking them for a great response.

As the lights went up, I couldn't help but think that I wouldn't have wanted to spend my Halloween any other way.

cury) ... Midnight Oil, Redneck Wonderland (Colombia) ... Alanis Morissette, Supposed Former Infatuation Junkie (Maverick/Reprise) ... Placebo, Without You, I'm Nothing (Virgin) ... The Rolling Stones, No Security (Virgin) ... The Tractors, Farmers in a Changing World (Arista) ...

... all dates are tentative.

Live Wires

Friday, Nov. 6 **Alana Davis** w/ Ratdog @ Bogart's

Saturday, Nov. 7 **Janus Stark** w/ Flys @ Top Cat's

Saturday, Nov. 8 **SKAvaganza** Tour w/ Telegraph @ Sudsy Malone's

Wednesday, Nov. 11 moe. w/ Strangefolk @ Bogart's

CAMPUS EVENTS Steppin' up and steppin' out

GREEKFEST '98 TO HOST STEP SHOW COMPETION

BY LAUREN MOSKO

Diversions Editor

In an effort to step up Xavier's participation in multicultural activities, this year's Greekfest '98 will host its first Step Show Competition on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 8 p.m. in the Armory.

Step-dancing, or "stepping," is a form of expressive dance which incorporates meticulously synchronized steps, deliberate rhythms and complementary arm movements

(usually clapping), Stepping often has no music or words, but a meaningful mantra such as "MLK" can

be used to set the rhythm. Sometimes props can be used (think about the Broadway production of "Stomp")

Although Xavier is not entering a troupe in this year's competition, Rho Xi hopes to be involved next ear, should the competition become an annual event. 🚛 🍸 This year, step troupes from Columbus, Cincinnati and Louisville are scheduled to participate. The Step Competition was orga-

nized by Mila Cooper, Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs, and her graduate assistant, Terri

Hardle. Cooper and Hardle presented their idea to the Black Student Association and Delta Sigma Theta and got a very positive response. These three groups, along with Weekenders and SAC, will sponsor the event.

Doors will open at 7:30 p.m. There is a \$5 admission fee for XU students with a valid ID and a \$10 fee for non-students. An after-party will be held in the O. Conner Sports Center gym from 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Bor more information, please call the Office of Multicultural Af-

fairs at 745-3181

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Tribe uses talents to help make a difference

BY JONATHAN MOSKO

Asst. Diversions Editor I've been forced to read a lot of books in my life that were just not meant to be read - probably better left unopened. (To this day I cringe at the word "Faulkner.") But not this time.

The Know Theatre Tribe has brought us Know Work, Know Play, a collection of poems, art, short stories, essays and even a one-act play.

Far from the tedious work found within the dusty confines of textbooks, this little book hums with the voices of a vibrant generation of writers, reminding us that some of the classics have yet to be written.

Anthologies of this type have the potential to be grab-bags of goodies or the equivalent of a literary forced march. Know Work, Know Play is like a Halloween pillowcase full of actual-size candy bars, not the cheap little fun-sized ones.

Selections from Know Work, Know Play vary from the heartwarming to the horrific, from the strange to the sublime.

One of the most powerful stories was Jay Kalagayan's "1853," a story about a college student who decides to get tested for HIV.

His story paints in painful detail the agony of the main character's waiting for the result that may change his life. "Put your life on hold. Forget school. Forget friends ... no one talks about the deep question. No one talks about the in-between. About finding out. Don't think about it. Like the light of day on a hangover, shy away.'

Kalagayan displays a profound style of writing in "1853," voiced in the simple, poignant statement, "I will not be your statistic."

Charles Ryback's poem, "On Being Infatuated in Traffic," suggests that maybe one's true love is only as far away as the car stopped behind you at the traffic light, and that love itself may be as fleeting as the



Partial Proceeds from the sale of the Know Theatre Tribes's anthology, Know Work, Know Play, will go to benefit the Drop Inn Center Shelterhouse of Cincinnati.

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time it takes for a light to change from red to green. "How like me to love / so much in traffic, boxed up / like conversation," laments the narrator, who caught a glimpse of someone in his rearview mirror who stole his heart and vanished at the next green light.

But not all of the pieces of this little anthology deal with such weighty subjects.

Keith Warren's essay, "The Obscene Pithecanthropus" playfully points out the common thread of rebellion against civilization and growing up that most all of us have: profanity.

He explains that our language (foul as it may be) is all part of our genuineness, reality and true state. "Charles Darwin wrote in the Descent of Man that Man still bears in his bodily frame the indelible stamp of his lowly origin . . . we bear it in our mouths, too." So swear away, kids.

In addition to being a most

worthy collection of literature, Know Work, Know Play is backed by a most worthy cause.

The Know Theatre Tribe's effort is sponsored by Circle K, a global service organization affiliated with Kiwanis International.

Partial proceeds from the sales of Know Work, Know Play go to the Drop Inn Center Shelterhouse of Cincinnati. (The anthology is \$5 a copy.)

The Drop Inn Shelter is one of the oldest surviving shelters in the country and provides a variety of services for the needy of the Queen City.

So, if you're a lover of art, storytelling and humanity in general, Know Work, Know Play may be just what you're looking for.

It's definitely entertaining reading, and it just might make you think.

Know Work, Know Play can be purchased in the Xavier Bookstore.



Oprah Winfrey (center) stars as Sethe, Thandie Newton (left) stars as Beloved and Kimberly Elise (right) stars as Denver in Touchstone Pictures' drama "Beloved." The movie is based on the novel of the same name by Toni Morrison.

'Beloved' remains honest, emotive TRANSITION FROM NOVEL TO SILVER SCREEN DOESN'T DEFILE MORRISON'S TALE

BY FRANK CARNICOM

Diversions Writer Touchstone Pictures and Director Jonathan Demme bring Beloved, the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Toni Morrison, to the screen.

liar. Her broken speech, irrelevant noise-making and mood swings viewer.

story of racial abuse, for the film is set during the period of black emancreate an uncomfortable air for the cipation. However, this is where the film succeeds in areas that

However, these traits are por- "Amistad" failed miserably. 'Beloved'' is not about the plight of an African-American, but a mother who will stop at nothing to keep her children safe. The imagery and manner of story-telling convey the horror of slavery with the whisper of a single voice and not the roar of a Eurocentric nation trying to make right its wrongs. "Beloved" speaks, weeps and screams; it does not preach. This film shows the maturation of film as art. "Beloved" is smart, but not intellectual. It is entertaining, but not fun. The film, like the novel, does not require the viewer to deconstruct or to guess at the plot. Like all art, it requires the viewer to feel.

Disturbing 'Pupil' KING'S LATEST FINDS HORROR IN HISTORY

BY DAVE CAPPALETTY Diversions Writer

Once again, Steven King, "The Master of Horror," takes us through another chapter of twisted tales and ghastly atrocities. Scarily enough, his material for "Apt Pupil" is taken, not from the legends of the past or the recesses of his mind, but from the pages of our history books. He guides us through a disturbing, yet unique, portrayal of the Holocaust.

"Pupil" co-stars Brad Renfro as Todd Bowden, a bright high school student whose interests are not in the world around him, but the tragedies of World War II.

After studying the Holocaust in school (and every other waking hour), Todd begins to realize that one of his neighbors is a former henchman of Hitler's, Kurt Dussander (Ian McKellen.)

Instead of turning him into the and demands that he "tell [him] everything."

panion in his secluded post-war life, and begins to relive a past, which he had forgotten that he relished. Similarly, Todd's morbid curiosity is being sated. As each tale continues, he slowly develops the ideas and attitudes of his counterpart.

Director Bryan Singer ("The Usual Suspects") creates a truly disturbing tale of a friendship that is extremely hard to swallow. Even though it is extremely well-acted and directed, the film just doesn't flow very smoothly.

After spending most of the movie developing Todd into Dussander's protégé, he should not suddenly have pangs of remorse and then return to his old life, but either be damaged or truly enlightened by what he has "learned." Instead of trying to dig deeper into Todd's madness, the screen writer tries hastily to rectify the whole situation.

Again, "Apt Pupil" is a difficult police, Todd blackmails the man, film to take in. It's heavy themes and content are not for the squeamish (nearly 10 people left the theater halfway through); the film truly messes with one's mind. Rating: 2.5 out of 5 stars

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Dealing with a novel of such complexity is difficult, but the director of "Silence of the Lambs" accomplishes the monumental feat of leaving Morrison's imagery and concepts intact while keeping the film entertaining.

Those expecting a revelatory plot, typical of the standard horror genre, will be quickly left mentally and emotionally behind. Which is not to say the film is not horrific, but it accomplishes emotional intensity in nontraditional ways.

The character referred to as Beloved accomplishes Morrison's intentions for her dramatically. Thandie Newton portrays a child's mind within an elder's body in ways an audience may find to be pecu-

trayed by an entrancing woman and with a gentleness that keeps the audience teetering between attraction and disgust. Thus, the viewer sees Beloved in the same light as her mother, Sethe (Oprah Winfrey).

Sethe is a runaway slave struggling to carve out her own simple existence with her children in rural Ohio, 1873. Preventing her from achieving that, however, is the painful legacy of her former life, and the desperate measures she once took to protect her family.

The result is an emotional response to a character which is based upon presentation rather than dull and common explication.

The film, thankfully, stays true to Morrison's tale of uncompromising love. It would have been quite tempting to twist the film into a

Rating: 4 out of 5 stars

If that is not strange enough, the unlikely pair begin to feed off one another. Dussander gains a com-

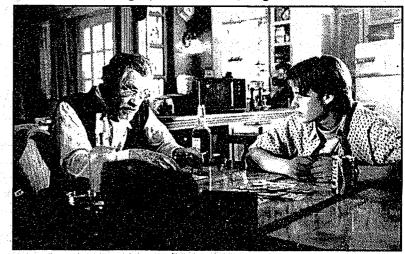


PHOTO COURTESY OF TRISTAR PICTURES, INC. In order to keep his true identity a secret, Dussander (Ian McKellen, left) must share with Todd (Brad Renfro) details of the atrocities he committed during WWII.

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Wes Cunningham 12 Ways to Win People To Your Way of Thinking (Warner Bros.)

After listening to the first few songs on Wes Cunningham's new release, I had to feel sorry for the guy. For example, the first song, entitled "Say My Name," is about a boy who just can't let go of a relationship. With the next cut, "Bad Way," Cunningham lets us in on the trauma relationships can cause with lines like, "My heart is for sale / It's an all-you-can-eat buffet."

The album starts to pick up with the track "So It Goes." Remember the first time you heard Sugar Ray's "Fly," before every radio station in the world played it 47,368 times a day, and it was a pretty fun and funky song to listen to? That's kind of what this song is like — bouncy, reggae-ish, and random, with intermittent country guitar solos and a Beck-like Spanish verse at the end for no apparent reason.

Some other perks on the album include the slightly taunting "Win Some, Lose Some," about a guy trying to give a pep talk of sorts to his friend who has just been dumped. Cunningham uses encouraging words like "Suck it up, be a man!"

The last track, "Car Wreck," was so campy you could pitch a tent and roast marshmallows with it. The instrumentals sounded like someone hit the "samba" demo button on Cunningham's childhood '80s keyboard. That, coupled with lyrics like, "Deep down, I'm a gospel singer. / Deep down, I like Jerry Springer," meant I couldn't help but be pleasantly amused.

Cunningham does come up short

on some of the slower songs, however.

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"Magazines," a standard mellow break-up song, was frustrating to listen to because there was some background noise in the song that I couldn't quite make out.

It was like listening to one of those motivational tapes with forest and river noises in the foreground and a barely audible, yet obnoxious, voice in the background saying "Way to go, you can do it, you're almost there," etc.

I guess the same could be said for Wes Cunningham. He almost has an enjoyable album, there are just a few songs that were a disappointment.

Way to go, Wes, you're almost there!

— Jennah Durant, Diversions Writer



The Suicide Machines Battle Hymns (Hollywood Records)

The Suicide Machines continues to mix political, social and personal commentary with an unmistakably schizophrenic sound on their latest release, *Battle Hymns*.

Playful, pseudo-crucial (read: high school angst) tunes are threaded throughout a disc comprised mostly of volatile socio-political exclamations.

For example, the first song, "Someone," begins with the bouncy guitar chords and agitated lyrics characteristic of their older songs like "Islands" or "Face Values." Following this catchy tune is the much rougher "Hating Hate," featuring lyrics like, "Hatred / a deadly disease / it's pumping through the veins of every being on the planet /

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or so it seems ... 'maybe you, not me' / I see it clearly through the red film on my eyes / that we must fight ... fight hatred." Immediately following that is "Give," a song about trusting your friends. The rest of the disc offers serious messages about racism, social elitism, war and pollution.

Not only does the intensity of subject matter shift from track to track, but Jason Navarro's vocals also fluctuate between a harmonic ska line, a hip hop-rasta flow and primal screams. The music stays consistent with the wild mood swings of the Suicide Machines one minute, a pummeling hardcore beat, the next, an innocent guitar repetition.

Although this album is a little more charged than their earlier work, this album is still a perfect representation of the personality of the Suicide Machines.

Battle Hymns is not for the weak-hearted, however. If you can't stand politics or the occasional guttural scream, steer clear. But if you're just as moody as these guys and you actually give a damn about the state of the world, this is an album you can relate to.

> — Lauren Mosko, Diversions Editor



MOT 19.99 (Sire Records)

They say college is a time to experience new things, right? Well, here's something I can bet you've never heard before: Jewish gangsta' rap. Not to mention Jewish hiphop.

Yes, you read that right. The Hebrew year of 5759 (or 1998 to

those of us using the *other* calendar) will be known (perhaps infamously) as the year in which two guys named Ice Berg and Dr. Dreidle appeared on the music scene with their band MOT, or "Members of the Tribe."

The CD liner notes assured me such an act only comes along once every 2000 years and that MOT's mission included "turning timeworn Jewish stereotypes into points of ethnic pride, like African-Americans did with the hip-hop nation."

19.99, off the Messiah record label, is as varied an album as one can hope for. Almost before we know what to expect, we are treated to "Psychosemitic," a song that sounds a little like a cross between Prodigy and the Ramones.

Berg and Dreidle whip up some rhymes in "Town Car," a song about the virtues of a "big, black sofa on four wheels." It seems the ride of choice for MOT is, without question, the Lincoln Town Car. "We had our Cadillacs removed / when the loan was approved / Don't mean to start a civil war / But emancipation comes in a four-door Lincoln."

If gangsta' rap is your pleasure, don't fret, because the boys will make you an offer you can't refuse with track number eight, "Kosher Nostra."

Or perhaps, in a nod to the King (sort of), you'd like to hear "Viva Oy Vegas." "You can't break us / you can't shake us / you can ask us to leave / but you can't make us / we're stuck to the strip with a kungfu grip."

For those who don't speak "Hebronics," they have considerately included a "Hooked on Hebronics" dictionary in the back of the liner notes, until words like *moyel* and *glatt* become as common in your vocabulary as "'sup" and "'bout it."

So if you want to know what's up with the 'Brews, you need only check this handy reference and you'll be b'seder.

No matter what, Ice Berg and Dr. Dreidle will come up with a surprise for you, whether you like it or not. So if you like rolling with the

shlomies (doubtful) or just want

something a little ... OK, *very* different, check out Ice and Dreidle in *19.99*.

Shalom!

-Jonathan Mosko Asst. Diversions Editor.



Soul Coughing El Oso (Slash/Warner Bros.)

Soul Coughing triumphantly returns with their long-awaited third album, *El Oso*, chock full of more fun loops than ever.

Repetitive but catchy, Soul Coughing's unique style of music blends dancy hip hop in a white city boy manner with modern alternative rock. *El Oso* is no different.

If you liked what you have heard in the past from Soul Coughing on Top 40 alternative radio, or even their recent hit single "Circles" on *El Oso*, you will definitely enjoy the rest of the album.

Featuring 14 new tracks such as "Rolling," "Blame" and "Pensacola" and random, wacky lyrics like, "Blame is the cure for anything / throw the rudder down / throw the rudder down," *El Oso* is a definite must-have for any fun music collection. The disc never slows down and makes you want to dance the whole time.

"So Far I Have Not Found the Science" may be one of their song titles, but, in fact, they have found an amazing chemistry which produces unforgettable music.

You'll be singing these songs days after you hear them, and I guarantee you will not be disappointed for giving Soul Coughing a spin.

> — Todd Parkhurst, Diversions Writer





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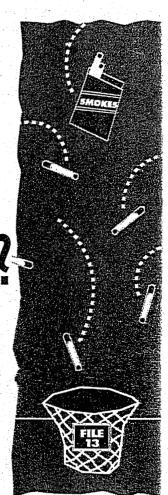
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November 4

African American Male **Awareness Day**

This is the first of three reminders. Pictures for the yearbook (which will come out in approximately one year) are being taken in the Cafeteria lobby from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. What this means is that you need to look good enough that when you see the yearbook you won't be disappointed in yourself since this is the picture everyone is going to use to remember who you are in twenty years.

International Coffee Hour has two benefits. The first and most important is that it is a great way to learn about cultures other than your own. Second, the caffeine gives you a great high. Have some fun at 3:30 p.m. in the Romero Center. Remember, don't drink too much.

Pick bananas. Pick, pick bananas.

Chiquita workers are speaking about their working experience in Guatemala. Learn more about their work environment (discussed and then retracted by the Enquirer) in Albers 103 at 7 p.m.

Mr. Carl Upchurch lived in the ghettos of Philadelphia. Robbery, violence and drugs defined who he was and who he thought he always would be. After time in the federal penitentiary, he provides an effective course of action to help our at-risk youth instead of discarding them as doomed. Listen to "Convicted in the womb: Black men in America" in the Schott multipurpose room at 7 p.m.

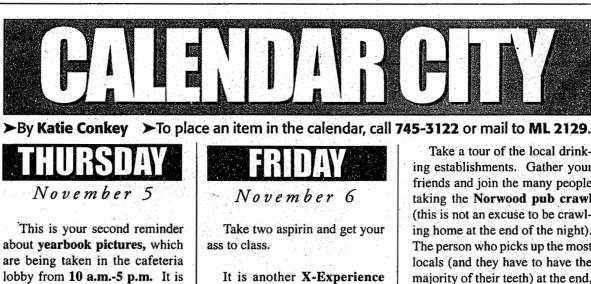
For the country fans on campus, Mary Chapin Carpenter will be blessing Cincinnati with her presence at the Music Hall at 8 p.m. If you do attend, make sure you are in the absolute purest state of mind in order to fully enjoy her musical talent. And you won't be as tired in the morning for that test that you studied for on Tuesday night.

HELP WANTED PLAY IT AGAIN SPORTS Kings Auto Mall, needs parttime sales associate. Flexible

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CAMPUS CALENDAR



It is another X-Experience Day on campus. If you are one of the many who have the opportunity to be in plain view of potential Xavier students, please be on your best behavior. Bonus points are awarded to those that help encourage students to attend our wonderful Jesuit institution. Don't be too nice, we have a housing problem as it is.

especially important for seniors to

get your pictures taken because

this is your last chance to have

school pictures taken. Too bad

they don't hand out those cool

combs to fix your hair like they

did in grade school. The plus is

that you only have to look nice

from the waist up, if you want to.

dirty, disgusting, smelly, turn-

your-fingernails-and-teeth-yellow

habit: quit smoking. To help you

(if you want help), there is a free

(pizza) lunch information hour at

noon in the Regis Room. Hope-

fully, they will give you ideas of

what to do with that free hand

The Know Theatre Tribe pre-

sents "Faces Defined" at 8 p.m.

at Joseph-Beth Booksellers in

Rookwood Pavilion. This perfor-

mance puts expression and emo-

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for an event sponsored by Senior

Board. This event is being held at

a bar, which serves alcohol to pa-

trons who are able to provide le-

gal identification. The purpose of

the event is to bring the senior

class together in a social setting.

Please do not be offended by this.

Senior Night is at Dana's from

10 p.m.-2 a.m. Get drunk and get

Peel bananas. Peel, peel ba-

"The School for Scandal"

opens tonight at the Cincinnati

Shakespeare Festival. It will be

playing for a couple of weeks.

crazy, but don't drive home.

tion behind the words of poetry.

while celebrating Senior Night.

For all those people with that

Mash bananas. Mash, mash bananas.

This is your final reminder because it is the final day for your professional pictures to be taken in the cafeteria lobby. These are not like those drunk pictures you took last night, but nice pictures of you so that Xavier students have a face to put with your name when they hear how successful you are (or aren't). If you opt for today's session (10 a.m.-5 p.m.), make sure you look alive before you go (that means not hungover).

The Know Theatre Tribe is performing Sweet Tooth at FutureWorld Theatre. This 7:30 p.m. performance is \$5 for students because they are having free dessert. Don't think that the desserts are really free, so eat as much as you can.

The women's soccer team has done so well this season. How well? Well enough to make it to the semifinal game at University of Dayton. They are playing George Washington at 8 p.m. If they win this game, they are also playing on Sunday.

R-E-S-P-E-C-T. Find out what it means to me.

Take a tour of the local drinking establishments. Gather your friends and join the many people taking the Norwood pub crawl (this is not an excuse to be crawling home at the end of the night). The person who picks up the most locals (and they have to have the majority of their teeth) at the end, wins. The prize is, well, knowing you probably won't see them again.

The Princess and the Pea Festival opens at the Aronoff Center. It is a dance performance, for those who have never heard of it before, because you are not cultured enough.

Sing: Happy, happy birthday from me to you. Stop singing: Have a great night if you are celebrating your 22nd. You know, you can celebrate your birthday if it isn't your birthday. There isn't a law against it.

New Image Models present "Step My Way" in the University Center from 10 p.m.-1 a.m. This will be an interesting, enjoyable and different substitute for the party scene.

November 7

petition is at 8 p.m. The wild party

is from 10 p.m.-2 a.m. All this for

the small price of \$5 with student

Since you woke up early and

felt great, a jog around the neigh-

borhood would do you some good.

If that isn't the case, close the

blinds, and pull the covers over

your head. And whatever you do,

don't expect anyone to feel sorry

Go bananas. Go, go bananas.

Go bananas. Go, go bananas.

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for you.

Greekfest 1998 in Schmidt Fieldhouse. The step show com-

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People who supply a keg in the privacy of their home do not promote drinking. They only provide a safe and enjoyable environment for friends to consume beer, if they choose to do so. Social attractions such as these are good to experience. They teach you about the differences and similarities between people, especially those who drink (since a large percentage of the population does) and those who don't. So find a house with a keg and drink up!

Or you have the option of going to the movies or staying in and watching a rented movie, made for television movie, playing card games, playing board games, cleaning your room, making prank phone calls (watch out for *69), or whatever else you can think of.

November 8

The Classical Piano Series presents Kemal Gekic at 2:30 p.m. in University Theatre. This performance is \$15 a ticket (that means it is really, really good instead of just really good).

Kansas City tourists are returning to the Louisville airport and deserve a big "welcome back" party. And then they also deserve free rounds at the bar.

November 9

A Doll's House is still at the Robert S. Marx Theatre, but only for a short time. Find three good reasons why you shouldn't see this play. Can't do, then go buy your tickets.

November 10

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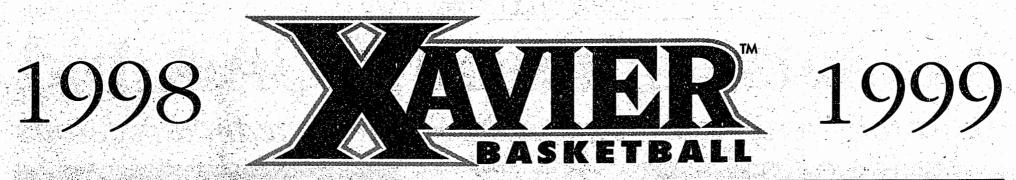
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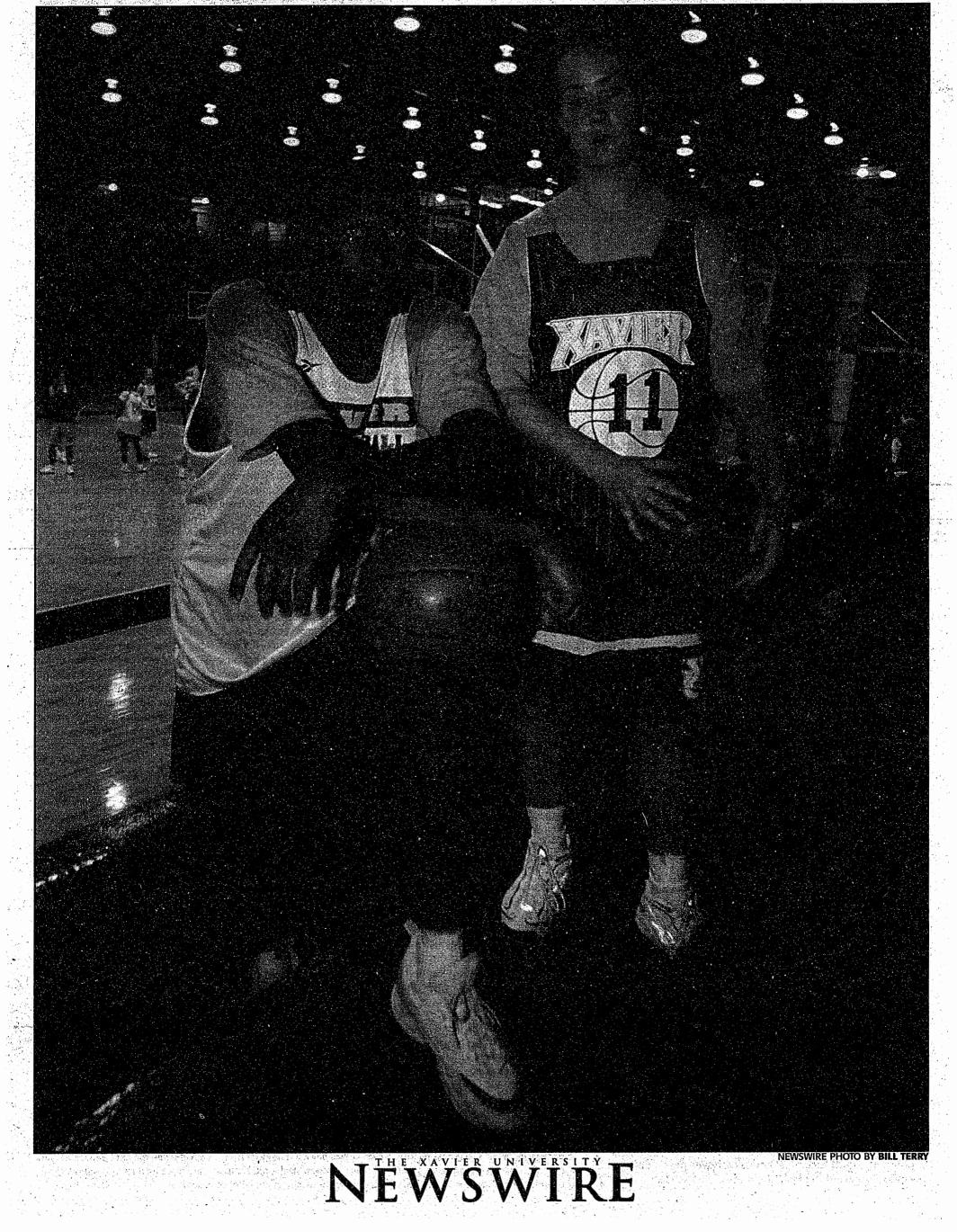
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BASKETBALL PREVIEW

THE XAVIER NEWSWIRE

XU sets sights on NCAA bid Returning vets, new talent make Women's team dangerous

BY MATT BARBER Sports Editor

Last year, with seven new players joining the team, the Xavier women were picked to finish last in the Atlantic 10 West Division. Instead, the Musketeers, with big contributions from those newcomers, surprised almost everyone in finishing second in the West and making it to the conference semifinals, earning them a bid to the Women's National Invitation Tournament.

Success this season will not surprise anyone, and Xavier will not be able to sneak up on unsuspecting opponents either. The word is out that XU is a very good team which cannot be taken lightly.

The return of all but one player from last year's squad, plus the addition of four outstanding newcomers, is the reason for the high expectations of this year's team. Xavier got a taste of what it can , assists per game last year. "She's accomplish last year, and this year it will set it's sights on winning the A-10 Championship and making it to the NCAA Tournament.

THE BAD NEWS

There is not much bad news to speak of for this team, which is good news.

Point guard Nikki Kremer is suffering from a minor stress fracture and has been practicing lightly. She will see only limited playing time as the season begins so she will be healthy for the more important second half of the season.

The loss of forward Connie Hamberg, who graduated in May, created a void the Musketeers must. fill before the season begins. Hamberg, a third-team all conference selection, started all 29 games last year for XU and was second on the team in scoring and minutes played and first in three-pointers and free-throw percentage.

Someone will need to step up for Xavier and show the steady, consistent presence on the floor that Hamberg exemplified last season.



THE GOOD NEWS

The Returning Players: Ten of the 14 Musketeers this season played here last year. One of the newcomers, forward Erin Senser, was redshirted for an injury last season, but worked out with the team all year. Of the returning players, there are four seniors, two juniors and four sophomores.

Kremer, the 5'9" senior point guard, saw the most playing time on the team last year, starting all 29 contests and averaging over 34 minutes a game. The vocal leader of the Musketeers, Kremer averaged 8.3 points, 4.5 rebounds and 5.59 our general on the floor," said head coach Melanie Balcomb. "Our kids build off her confidence." One of the best point guards in the A-10 and a third team all-conference selection, Kremer, a co-captain for the 1998-99 campaign, will be relied upon to provide steady leadership for XU this season.

Senior forward Susanna Stromberg will also be sharing cocaptain's duties this season. She averaged 6.4 points and 3.4 rebounds per game last season and provides a strong post presence inthe paint.

The 6-foot native of Finland was selected to the all-tournament team at the UNLV Tournament last season, and will continue to play consistent basketball in the frontcourt again this season.

The other two seniors, 5'9" guard Jonell Riley and 5'7" guard Meila Leigh, both bring added depth to the Musketeers coming off the bench.

Riley, named last year's most improved player by Balcomb, can enter a game and shut down an opposing player. Riley's role is mainly defensive in nature, but the offensive side of her game is improving.

Leigh saw limited action in 22 games last year as she was hampered by injuries. The junior college transfer is set to see both her playing time and production go up this year.

Junior forward Kim Hotz was the James Posey of the women's team last year and should stay in that role this year as well. The 6foot sixth player came off the bench in all but one game last year and averaged 9.3 points and five rebounds in 21.3 minutes per game. The most versatile Musketeer on the team, Hotz's .570 shooting percentage led XU last season.

Amy Hughes, a 5'9" junior guard, possesses a great outside shot and good passing skills. Starting 17 games last season, she averaged 6.1 points and 2.6 rebounds a game. Her improved defensive play will make Xavier that much harder to score against this year.

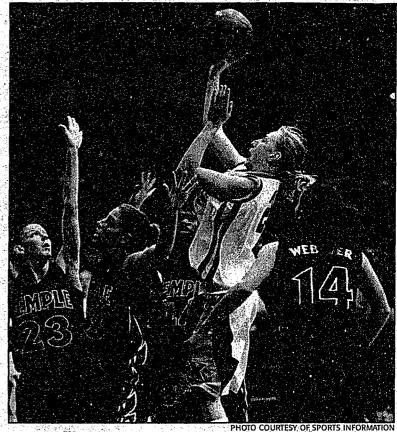
The ability of the sophomores to step up and perform well as freshmen last year was a big reason for; XU's success. They will be looked upon to play even better this year.

Taru Tuukkanen, a 6'3" center from Finland, enters her second year as a Musketeer with the desire to improve her game from last season, when she led the team in scoring with 11.6 points per game and rebounding with 6.2 per game.

She is a dangerous offensive player who has a host of post moves inside and can also shoot the three from the top of the arc. Last season she played in every game, starting 18 of them.

Jen Phillips was the story of the year for the Musketeers last season. Diagnosed with a heart condition before the season started, she underwent open heart surgery and still returned to the court for much of the year, having an immediate impact.

The 6'3" forward scored 10 points and pulled down 12 boards in her first game back following the surgery. Her 8.8 points and 5.5 rebounds per game averages earned her a spot on the Atlantic 10 All-Rookie Team last year. With a sea-



Junior forward Kim Hotz is the Musketeers' sixth player.

at the point this year as she gains the Xavier Musketeers. Her record experience.

The Newcomers: The four new faces on the Musketeer team bringtalent, athleticism and depth. XU will need them to translate their impressive résumés into impressive plays if Xavier is to go very far in March.

Senser, a 6'1" forward, tore her ACL just prior to the start of last year's season. A redshirt freshman this year, she has rehabilitated her knee and is set to contribute to Xavier's success. One of the fastest players on the team, Senser will allow the XU press to be more effective. She can play more than one position, including the post, and already knows the program from working with the team all last season while recovering from surgery. Senser, who averaged 19.7 points and 7.9 rebounds per game her senior year in high school, will make an immediate impact for the Musketeers this season.

Katie Griggs is a 5'11" guard form Wauseon, Ohio. She has great all-around skills, from shooting the three, to driving the lane, to passing to an open teammate. She averaged 15 points and 5.5 rebounds at Wauseon High School last year, where she led her team to a 52-1 record over the last two seasons. Hilary Kulik is a 5'6" guard from Noth Canton, Ohio. Also a good outside shooter, she plays the point well and is solid on defense. She averaged 14.6 points per game last season and was named the North Canton Hoover High School team MVP, as well as being a special-mention All-State selection.

at XU is 42-42, but will most likely be above .500 when the 1998-99 season ends. Balcomb likes to run an up-tempo team similar to the XU men's team. She loves her teams to press and to keep running on offense. She is joined by assistants Tricia Cullop, Krisin Schneider and newcomer Toby Metoyer.

THE OUTLOOK

With more depth and athleticism, this year's version of the Musketeers is even more dangerous than last year's team, one which just missed being selected to the NCAA tournament.

Injuries slowed Xavier down somewhat last year, forcing the Musketeers to pull back their press and slow the game tempo down. Despite this, they were still among the highest scoring teams in the A-10 last year.

This year Xavier will be throwing a full-court press at its opponents, using the depth of the XU bench to supply fresh legs and to. wear down opponents. Xavier was one of the easier teams in the conference to score against last year and Balcomb would like to change



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Sophomore guard Nicole Levandusky moves past a defender. Levandusky started the last 12 games of last season.

son of experience under her belt, Phillips should be considered a serious threat by opponents this season:

Guard Nicole Levandusky brings an added dimension of athleticism and speed to the Musketeers. The 5'9" sophomore started 12 games last season and averaged 9.9 points per game.

Her 81 steals matched the school record set by Sheryl Krmpotich in 1991 last season as her defensive play is top-notch. She can also shoot the three very well, recording six in the WNIT loss to Indiana last year.

Jennifer Parr, a 5'8" sophomore guard rounds out the litany of returning players. Slowed by a number of injuries last season, she played in just seven games. A good outside shooter, Parr will see time

The fourth freshman is 5'8' guard Elina Pasola from Finland. The left-handed Pasola has a great three-point shot. She is versatile enough to play either guard position and has plenty of speed and athleticism. A member of the Finnish Junior National Team last year, Pasola was named its MVP. The Coaches: Balcomb returns for her fourth season at the helm of

that.

One of the biggest pluses for Xavier is it's experience. Last year, most of the team had to learn the system before they could start playing, which slowed down practices tremendously.

This year, with so many players returning; the coaches and veterans share in the teaching duties for the newcomers, speeding up their integration to the team and making practices more productive. XU will come out of the chute at full speed this season, compared to last year. Balcomb sees XU's biggest strengths as its depth and versatil-, ity. "The players we do have can play more positions. The new players are going to help out defensively, and the experienced players are more mature and confident," she . said.

THE XAVIER NEWSWIRE

BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Seniors, depth key to season Men's team faces high expectations despite some key losses

BY MATT MADGES

Assistant Sports Editor

One of the main reasons new Athletic Director Michael Bobinski chose to come to Xavier was the foundation he saw in place for bringing a national championship to the university. It is no secret that men's basketball is the sport Bobinski has in mind regarding such a task.

Although a national championship might be a lofty expectation for the Musketeers today, the Final Four is five months away and who knows what will happen between now and then.

For such a dream to become a reality, the Musketeers will have to rely on a very young team; this year's squad has only three players returning who averaged more than nine minutes a game last season.

In other words, the team has lost a great deal from last season's very successful squad. The 1997-98 team finished in a tie atop the Atlantic 10's Western Division, won its first-ever A-10 Tournament Championship and reached the NCAA Tournament for the 12th time in its history.

There is both good and bad news for the Musketeers heading into the season. Here is the breakdown of what to expect:

THE BAD NEWS

When the team takes the floor tonight, three starters will be missing from last year's squad.

T.J. Johnson, one of the most underrated players ever to compete at Xavier, graduated last May. Johnson, a four-year starter, was a magnificent post defender and had a willingness to do whatever it took to win. He will be very hard to replace.

Another loss for the team was that of Torraye Braggs, who graduated with Johnson. Braggs had the all-around package and gave the team a big presence inside.

Braggs was drafted by the Utah Jazz in the second round of the NBA draft. He is waiting out the NBA lockout while playing basketball in Spain.

The most difficult loss for the Musketeers to swallow is that of last season's leading scorer, senior Darnell Williams. Williams under-



commented that Prosser will not have the caliber of team that has come to be expected from Xavier. However, Prosser sees this season's situation a little differently,

"Someone mentioned to me last spring that this is going to be a rebuilding year, but that doesn't happen around here," said Prosser at Midnight Madness. "You might feel sorry for us, but don't bet against us, because around here we - every year, every time." win

THE GOOD NEWS

If the Musketeers do hope to win this year, they will have to rely on three seniors to lead an otherwise very young team.

The Experience: Three seniors, who have meant a great deal to Xavier basketball over the past three years, will have to lead the team in both production and attitude this season.

"The returning players must set a positive tone for the whole team," said Prosser. "This is the last goaround for these guys so they must approach this season on a mission."

Gary Lumpkin and Lenny Brown make up one of the best, if not the best, backcourt tandems in the country and have started together since junior high.

Lumpkin, a tri-captain last season, has started 82 straight games for the Musketeers and his experience will be of extreme value to this season's squad.

A 1997-98 Third Team All-Atlantic 10 Conference selection, Lumpkin led the team-last season in both minutes played (33.7) and assists (4.5 per game). Unfortunately, however, Lumpkin struggled with his three-point range last year at 29.5 percent, but has worked hard during the off season to improve.

Brown, a tri-captain for the past two seasons, is one of the top defenders in both the A-10 and the country. He has led the Musketeers in steals the last three seasons, totaling 180, which is just 46 behind

Posey was named the A-10 "Sixth Man" Award winner for the past two seasons, but will not win the award this year, as he will start for the Musketeers.

Posey, a Second Team All-Conference selection last season, led the team in rebounding at 8.4 rebounds per game and free-throw accuracy at 82.4 percent. He was second on. the team in scoring, at 15.3 points per game, and in steals at 2.1 per game.

This summer, Posey was a member of the USA Goodwill Games gold medal-winning team, and is among the 50 players under consideration for All-America honors from The John R. Wooden Award committee.

The only unknown surrounding Posey is exactly what position he will be starting this season.

"To this point, you would expect him to play more in the perimeter and less in the post," said Prosser.

No one doubts that all three seniors have the talent and desire to lead the team in both production and attitude this season.

"The three seniors have meant a lot to Xavier basketball in the last three years," said Prosser. "I would like to see them go out on a very high note."

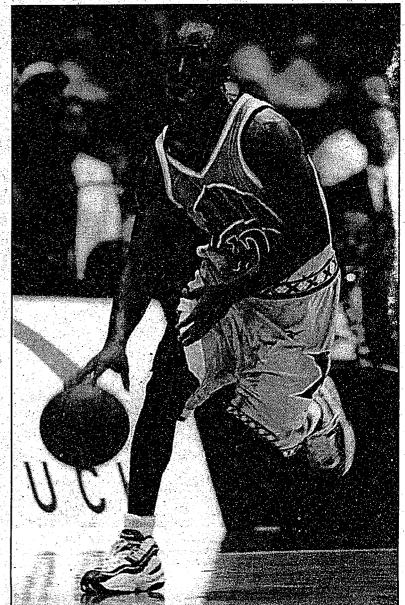
The Other Returners: Maurice McAfee, Reggie Butler and Alvin Brown are the only other returning players from last season. All three sophomores will play key roles for the Musketeers.

Butler averaged 3.5 minutes in 14 games last season. Although he lacks game experience, he has been impressive in practice so far and his hard work has probably earned him a spot in the starting lineup to begin the season.

"He (Butler) is one of our hardest working players," said Prosser. "He is going to get every opportunity to do a great deal this year and there is no one that I would like to see succeed more than Reggie Butler."

McAfee averaged 8.9 minutes in 28 games last year and will back up Lumpkin at the point this season. McAfee is one of the quickest players on the team and added to his strength and vertical leap during the off-season.

'In short, he handles pressure



Senior point guard Gary Lumpkin, a 1997-98 Third Team All-Atlantic 10 selection, has started 82 straight games for the Musketeers. He and senior shooting guard Lenny Brown form one of the best backcourt tandems in the country.

season, Prosser has brought in one of the best recruiting classes in the nation. The class includes four newcomers who will be sought to · contribute right away.

Leading the newcomers is Lloyd Price, who was rated the 24th best senior in the country by The Sporting News. Price, an extremely athletic and explosive scorer, will most likely back up Posey at the three spot.

The other three newcomers are all frontcourt players and will help to fill the void left by the departure of Johnson and Braggs.

Juniors Desmond Walker and Obi Harris, both junior college be rated that highly considering our transfers, will provide some much-

"On paper we have more depth, but it has to be quality depth and that has to be proven to me in practice," said Prosser. "We hope that we have more depth, that is why we recruited them."

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THE OUTLOOK

Even with the loss of last year's seniors and Williams to injury, the Musketeers are receiving many of the same accolades and expectations they received a year ago.

In most preseason polls, Xavier is picked somewhere in the "Top 20."

"It's hard to imagine we would losses," said Prosser. "We are go-

went knee surgery over the summer to repair a torn ACL in his right knee. The injury was sustained while he was playing in Italy.

Williams, a member of the 1998 A-10 Second Team, averaged 17.3 points a game last season and was the go-to guy for the team. Williams' return this season is not out of the question, but appears unlikely.

"As I told Darnell, if he comes back or if he doesn't, we will be very good. I don't want him to feel any pressure," said fifth-year head coach Skip Prosser. "Darnell Williams' future is our primary concern and we're not going to do anything to jeopardize that. To this point we are not counting on getting him back."

Xavier all-time leader Anthony Hicks (226 from 1979-83).

Brown averaged 14.7 points per game last season and is on The John R. Wooden Award preseason "Top 25" All-America list for the second straight year.

The play of Lumpkin and Brown will be key for the team this season. Both will need to step up their play from last season, but Prosser is confident each will do so.

"The challenge to Lenny is consistency and to Gary is consistency and getting back to his three-point shooting form that he had as a sophomore," said Prosser. "Those guys have worked very hard to make that happen and I think they will do that."

James Posey is the last, but cer-

and delivers pressure while also showing an ability to score," said Prosser.

Brown, a red-shirt freshman, played in five games last season before breaking his left wrist. He is back to 100 percent and is expected to be a major contributor coming off the bench.

Brown is a talented scorer who was named the USA Today Player of the Year for the Washington, D.C., area two years in a row while in high school.

"He has good shooting range and can score in a variety of ways," said-Prosser. "I also like the fact that he comes from one of the top programs in the East so he knows how to win."

The Newcomers: To compensate With these losses, some have tainly not the least, of the seniors. for the significant losses from last

needed experience to the frontcourt. Walker, a 6'8" forward, and Harris, a 6'10" center, will both see significant action off the bench, if neither wins a starting spot.

Competing with Walker and Harris for the last starting spot will be freshman Kevin Frey. Frey, a 6'7" forward and finalist for the McDonald's All-America team, brings size, athleticism and toughness to the team. In practice, Frey has also proven that he has a threepoint range.

Adding athletic walk-on James Baronas, a 6'8" freshman forward, into the mix provides the Musketeers with what appears to be a very deep team. There is also a chance that 6'7" freshman Aaron Turner could return from his partial academic ineligibility in January.

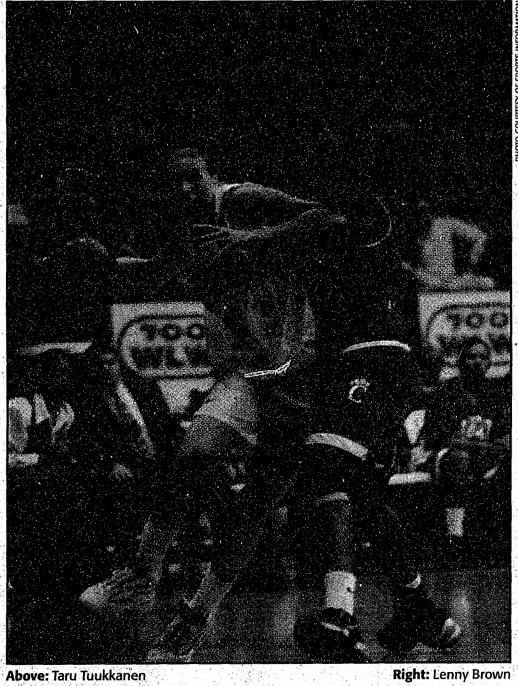
ing to strive mightily to win every game.

"I think it is a compliment to the program that it has the kind of respect that year in and year out they expect Xavier to play at that level," he said.

The team should be better prepared to deal with such preseason hype and expectations from the experience they gained last season.

"I am not sure you can understand it until you go through it," said Prosser. "I think that we will have a better appreciation of how-to understand it and deal with it this season.'

Xavier will begin its journey tonight at 7 p.m. at the Cincinnati Gardens in the team's first exhibition game against Hungary. The team is ready, so "Bring it on."



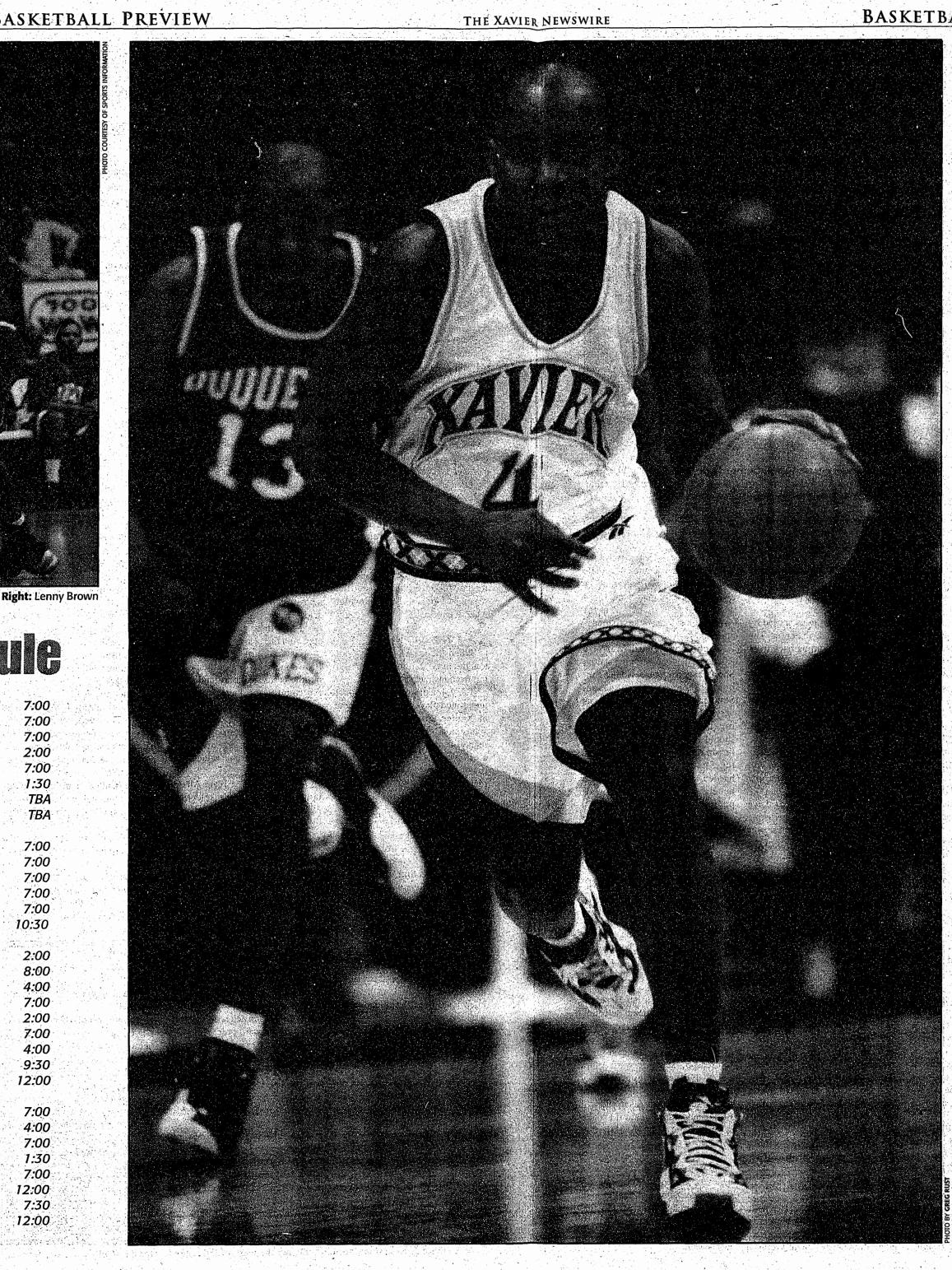
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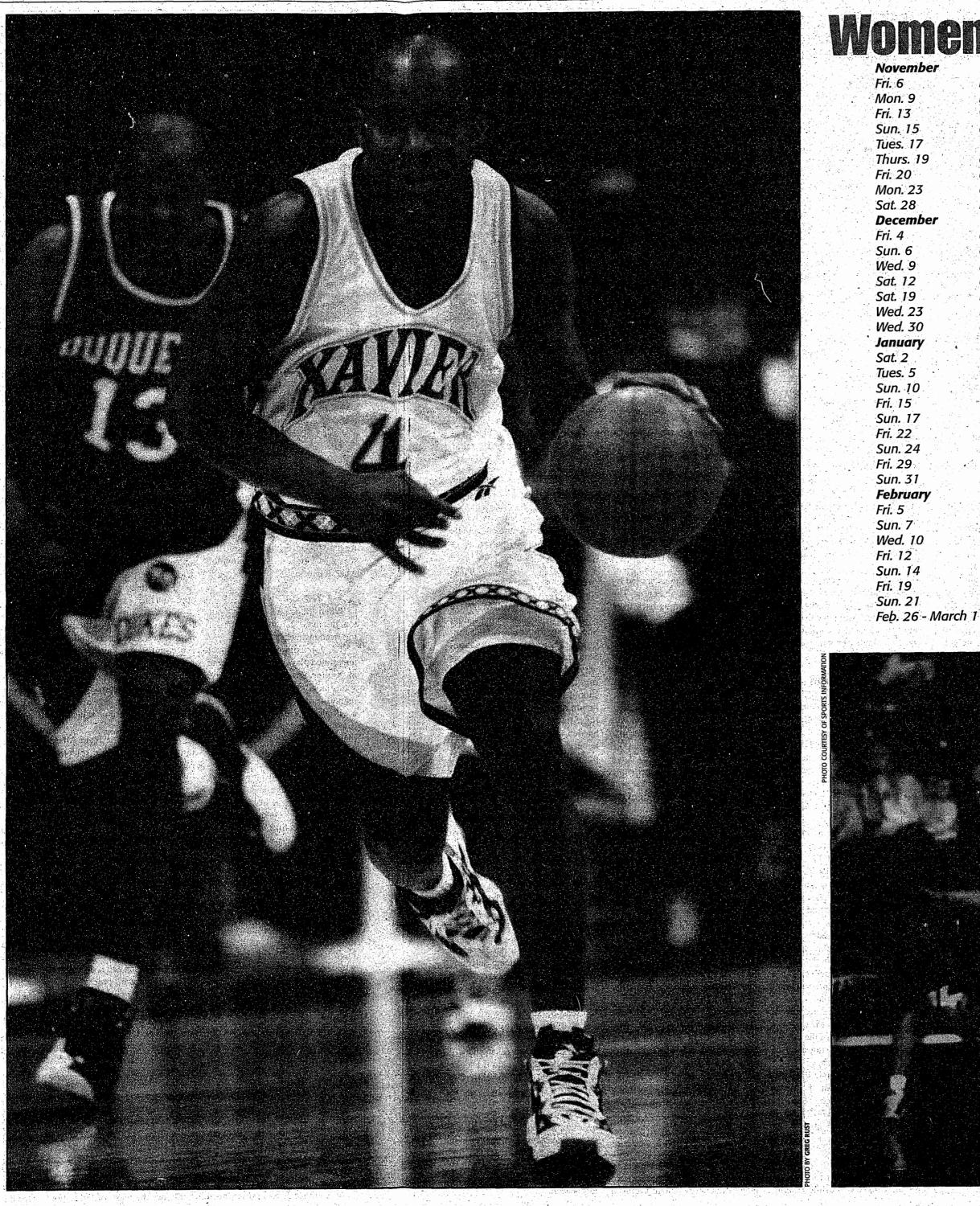
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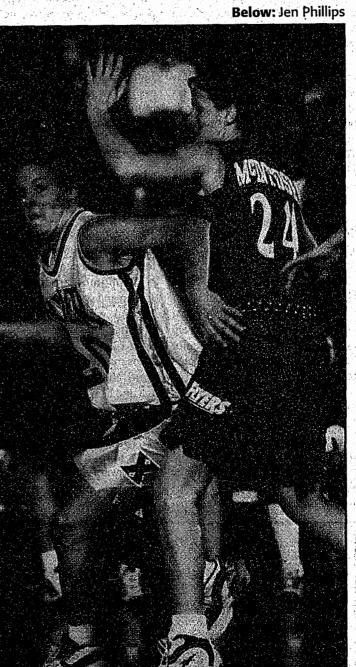


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BASKETBALL PREVIEW

GW leads talented Atlantic 10

BY MATT BARBER Sports Editor

Last year five Atlantic 10 teams played in postseason tournaments. George Washington, Virginia Tech and Massachusetts all received bids to the NCAA Tournament, while Xavier and St. Joseph's took part in the Women's National Invitation Tournament. The A-10 is emerging as a very competitive conference, and the 1998-99 season should demonstrate this.

George Washington remains the premier team in the conference. Despite not winning the conference tournament last year, the Colonials still kept their five-year streak of NCAA Tournament appearances intact. They should repeat as West Division champs again this year. Massachusetts should be considered the team to beat in the East Division. Massachusetts ended up as the conference runner-up last year.

Following George Washington in the West will be Xavier and Virginia Tech, two closely-matched teams, and then Duquesne, La Salle and Dayton. Behind UMass in the East will be St. Joseph's, St. Bonaventure, Rhode Island, Fordham and Temple.

EAST DIVISION

1. Massachusetts — Led by head coach Joanie O'Brien (105-96 in seven years at UMass), the Minutewomen will seek retribution for their two-point overtime loss to Virginia Tech in the conference championship game. Three starters and three of last year's top four scorers are back for UMass, a team that went 19-11 overall and 11-5 in the A-10 last year.

Senior forward Tez Kraft is the best player coming back for Massachusetts. The 5'11" Kraft averaged 14.2 points and 6.4 rebounds per game last year. Junior small forward Alison MacFarland brings her 10.1 points per game average back as well. Sophomore guard Kelly van Huisen will be returning from having torn her ACL last year while averaging 15.2 points per game at the time.

The incoming freshmen have brought size for UMass this year. Caroline Nehls and Nekole Smith, both 6'1", averaged 16.8 and 18.7 points per game respectively last year in high school. They will help bolster the frontcourt, where senior center Yolanda Rayside is expected



tional and club teams. St. Joe's lost four players, but only one was a starter and the others did not average even two points per game.

Junior guard Angela Zapella and senior guard Melissa Coursey give the Hawks a formidable backcourt. Zapella averaged 15 points and 4.4 rebounds last year, while Coursey contributed 12.9 points and 3.5 boards per game last season. 'Junior center Jana Lichnerova, standing 6'4", returns as St. Joe's leading rebounder, pulling down 4.7 rebounds per game last year.

Irish import Susan Moran, a 6'1" forward, and 5'8" guard Jane Meade highlight the recruiting class for St. Joe's this season, which brings six new faces to Philadelphia this year.

3. St. Bonaventure – Head coach Marti Whitmore returns for her fifth year at the helm of the Bonnies. St. Bonaventure returns three of its five starters from last year's team, which went 16-14 overall and 7-9 in the A-10.

The Bonnies' two leading scorers return this season in senior forward Hilary Waltman and sophomore small forward Melissa Fazio. The 5'10" Waltmann averaged 20.2 points and 5.3 rebounds per game last year, and the 5'11" Fazio threw in 10.1 poins per game.

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James averaged 14.3 points and 5.7 assists per game at Monroe Community College where she was named a Junior College All-Américan.

4. Rhode Island — Linda Ziemke will enter her ninth year as the head coach of the Rams. The bad news is URI only went 6-21 overall last year and 4-12 in the A-10. The good news is they have all five starters returning on a seniorless team that can only improve.

Sophomore center Amber Jansen and sophomore forward Ela Lapciuk will lead the Rams' scoring attack this season. They averaged 13.4 and 10.6 points per game respectively. Jansen and junior forward Nikki Blakemore averaged 6.5 and 5.5 rebounds per game last year to lead the Rams in that cat5. Fordham — Head coach Kevin Morris will lead the Rams for his fifth year this season, hoping to improve on their 5-22 mark overall and 3-13 record in the A-10. Fordham has lost one starter and two of its top three scorers from last year's team.

Senior forward Malyssa Thorngren, a third-team all-conference selection last year, will bring her 13.2 points and 7.3 rebounds per game averages back for the 1998-99 season. Senior forward Chandra Lambert averaged 8.7 points and 5.9 boards per game last season.

The Rams will be aided by the return of 5'8" sophomore guard Maureen Garvey, who missed last year due to a knee injury. She averaged 9.2 points per game in the 1996-97 season.

6. Temple – Kristen Foley returns for her third season as Temple's head coach. The Owls were hit hard by graduation losing their two top scorers and only point guards. They return three starters from a team that went 10-17 overall and 3-13 in the A-10 last year.

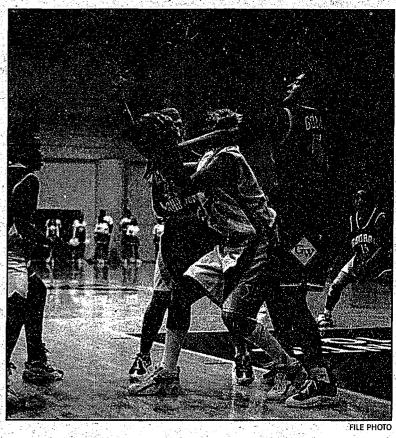
Junior forward Kim Martin, who averaged 8.4 points and 4.1 rebounds per game, and senior forward Dawn Ingram, who averaged 7.7 points and 6.9 rebounds per game last year, will have to step up and shoulder the scoring burden for the owls.

Heading the recruiting class of four is sophomore guard Natalia Isaac who had to sit out last season for academic reasons due to NCAA rules. She averaged 19 points and eight rebounds per game in high school two years ago.

WEST DIVISION

1. George Washington — Gunning for their fourth Atlantic 10 title this season, the Colonials will be led by Joe McKeown, who is 205-76 in his nine years at GW. The Colonials have everyone back from a team that went 20-10 overall and 12-4 in the A-10 last year.

The Spanish duo of junior guard Elisa Aguilar and senior forward Noelia Gomez will lead George Washington this season. Aguilar, the conference co-rookie of the year last season, averaged 17.2 points and dished out 4.9 assists per game last year. Gomez, an honorable mention All-American last season, averaged 17.2 points and six rebounds per game.



George Washington's Noelia Gomez (right) and Elisa Aguilar (left) guard Xavier's Kim Hotz (middle). Both Gomez and Aguilar could be named All-Americans this season.

out assists. Sophomore center Taru Tuukkanen is the team's leading scorer and rebounder averaging 11.6 points and 6.2 rebounds per game last year. Sophomore forward Jen Phillips, a conference all-rookie team selection should make an impact as well.

The four newcomers are led by redshirt freshman Erin Senser. The 6'1" forward is coming back from knee surgery for a torn ACL before last season began.

3. Virginia Tech — In her first season as head coach there, Bonnie Henrickson led the Hokies to a 22-10 record overall and an 11-5 mark in the conference, as well as to the A-10 Championship. The Hokies are just as good as Xavier and will challenge them for the second spot in the West.

Senior point guard Lisa Witherspoon's 7.1 assists per game average led Virginia Tech last year where she became the heart of the Hokies. Sophomore forward Tere Williams led Tech in scoring and rebounding with 13.4 points and 7.6 rebounds per game.

The new recruits are led by 5'11" guard Chrystal Starling, who averaged 24 points and 12 rebounds per game last year in high school.

4. Duquesne - Led by conrence coach of the year Dan Durkin in his sixth year, the Dukes will try to improve on last year's 19-9 mark overall and 10-6 record in the A-10 without the help of All-American Korie Hlede, who graduated. Hlede is Duquesne's only lost player, and the Dukes return four starters. Senior guard Kelly Eberhardt is the top returning scorer, having averaged 12.8 points per game last year to go with her 5.2 rebounds per game average. Senior forward Maja Kauzlaric chipped in 9.1 points and 4.4 rebounds per game last season as well.

22 points and six assists last year, and Timol averaged 24 points and 14 rebounds.

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5. La Salle — Head coach John Miller's 12-year tenure at La Salle is the longest of any present A-10 coach. His Explorers went 15-13 overall last season and 8-8 in the A-10, but lost four starters to graduation in May.

Sophomore guard Marjorie Rhodës is the lone returning starter. She averaged 6.5 points and 2.1 rebounds per game last season. Sophomore guard Jen Zenzer was very effective last season, averaging 11.3 points per game, and should find herself in the starting lineup this year. Sophomore center Shannon McDade will be needed to step up and improve on her eight points and four rebounds per game averages of last year.

The incoming freshmen include 6'2" center Beth Hudak and 5'9" guard Suzanne Keilty. Hudak averaged 19.3 points and 12.4 rebounds per game last year in high school, and Keilty averaged 19 points and eight boards.

6. Dayton — Jaci Clark takes over the Dayton program this season after spending seven years at Bowling Green. The Flyers return three starters from last year's squad that went 10-17 overall and 6-10 in the conference.

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2. St. Joseph's — The Hawks are led by head coach Stephanie Gaitley, who has amassed a 138-67 record through her seven-year tenure at St. Joe's. The Hawks, who went 19-12 overall and 10-6 in the A-10, took an August trip to Europe to fine-tune their game against na-

The recruiting class brings in three players over six feet, including forward Sara Reynolds who averaged 10 rebounds per game last year in high school.

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GW will be bolstered by the return of 6'3" sophomore forward Petra Dubovcova from a knee injury last year. McKeown calls her one of the most talented players ever in the GW program. Sophomore guard Kristeena Alexander, a transfer from George Mason, will be eligible at the end of the fall semester and should bring a lot of depth to the GW bench.

2. Xavier — Melanie Balcomb comes back for her fourth year as the Xavier head coach. The XU squad, which went 17-12 overall and 11-5 in the A-10, only lost one player and returns four starters from

last year's team.

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Junior guard Christi Hester, a conference second-team selection last year, will lead the Flyers again this season. Her 13.7 points and 3.2 assists per game were team highs last season. Senior forward Anitra Perry and senior guard Kizzy Dawson both averaged double figures in scoring last season and will be depended upon again if Dayton is to climb out of the West Division cellar.

The four incoming freshmen are led by guard Alena Martens who averaged 23 points and eight rebounds per game last year in high school. Sarah Schloss, a 6-foot forward from Cincinnati, averaged 19 points and eight rebounds per game last season. BASKETBALL PREVIEW

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Xavier, Temple will lead A-10

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Last season was one of the most successful seasons ever for the Atlantic 10 Conference. For the first time in A-10 history, seven teams went to postseason play.

A-10 champion Xavier earned the league's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament, while George Washington, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Temple earned at-large berths. Dayton and St. Bonaventure also participated in postseason play with NIT bids.

Of the 35 starters from the seven A-10 teams that advanced to postseason play last season, 24 return for the 1998-99 season. With so many returning, the A-10 should improve once again, and this season could go down as one of the best ever in the conference.

Xavier should once again capture the West Division crown, but look for George Washington and Dayton to keep the race close.

In the East, Temple looks to be the strongest team, but Rhode Island and UMass both have the talent to steal the crown from the Owls.

Here's a glimpse into what each team will bring to the table this season in the A-10:

WEST DIVISION

1. Xavier — During its third year in the A-10, Xavier won its first title by sweeping through the A-10 Championship in March. The Musketeers also won a share of the West Division regular season title last year, which was the second time in as many years the team had accomplished such a feat.

Xavier looks to be in good position to capture another West division crown, but will have to do so without the contributions of last season's leading scorer Darnell Williams, at least for the start of the season.

Williams tore his ACL while, playing in Italy over the summer and is still recuperating.

The Musketeers do return Gary Lumpkin and Lenny Brown for their last campaign. Together, Brown and Lumpkin make up one of the best and most experienced backcourt tandems in the country. Also returning is two-time A-10 Sixth Man of the Year, James Posey, who will start this season.

Add one of the best recruiting classes in the country to this senior foundation and Xavier is ready to defend both its divisional crown and the A-10 tournament championship.



At the head of the returning players is senior point guard Shawnta Rogers. Rogers was selected to both the A-10 All-Conference second team and defensive team last season.

Other returning starters include: sophomore guard Mike King, who averaged 13.2 points per game and was on the All-Rookie team; and senior forward Yegor Mescheriakov, who averaged 12.7 points per game.

GW will have experience on its side this season, but how far this team goes will be determined by how the team reacts to the coaching change.

If all goes well, the Colonials will provide stiff competition to XU for the division title.

3. Dayton – Dayton tied for the West Division crown last season with George Washington and Xavier, and made its first postseason (NIT) appearance since the 1989-90 campaign.

The Flyers only lost one player from last season's squad, but that was Ryan Perryman, who averaged 15.2 points per game. Perryman also graduated as the A-10's alltime leader with a career 10.4 rebounds per game average in league games.

Senior Coby Turner and junior Mark Ashman will be looked at to compensate for Perryman's absence. Turner, the 1998 Chris Daniels Award winner as the A-10's most improved player, averaged 13.3 points per game last season, while Ashman averaged 11.7 points per game.

A weak non-conference schedule contributed to a poor RPI ranking which sunk any chance for the Flyers to make the NCAA Tournament last season.

This season that has been corrected with teams such as Cincinnati, Louisville and Marquette on the schedule, but now the Flyers must deliver.

4. Virginia Tech – Virginia Tech returns four starters and four of last season's top-five scorers this season.

5. La Salle – La Salle has had five consecutive losing seasons and this year will probably be more of the same for the Explorers.

The team does return three starters from last season's squad, including junior guard Donnie Carr. Carr averaged 18 points per game last season and has scored 1,131 points during his two-year career. However, Carr must improve on his shot selection and shoot a higher percentage from the floor.

Also returning for the Explorers is senior forward/center K'Zell Wesson who was one of only 19 players in the country to average a double-double (13.2 points and 10.7 rebounds per game) last season.

Even with these two returning, the season doesn't look promising for head coach Speedy Morris, who is in the last year of his contract. If the Explorers suffer another losing season, Morris could be looking for a job come March.

6. Duquesne — The Dukes find themselves under new leadership this season in Darelle Porter, who is the youngest head coach in Division I.

Porter has big holes to fill from last year's squad. Lost to graduation are Nick Bosnic, Mike James and Kevin Price, who together accounted for 60 percent of the Dukes' offense a year ago.

With the above players gone, the burden falls on the large shoulders of 6'10" senior center Kevin Shand. Shand averaged eight points and 5.4 rebounds a game last season.

The Dukes have little hope this season in the improved A-10.

EAST DIVISION

1. Temple — Last season, Temple went 13-3 in the A-10 to capture the Eastern Division crown.

Returning three starters from that squad and adding two phenomenal newcomers, head coach John Chaney might have his deepest and most talented team ever.

The backcourt of senior Rasheed Brokenborough and junior Pepe Sanchez is one of the best in the league and the country.

With a strong young frontcourt of junior forward Lamont Barnes and highly-prized newcomers, sophomore foward Mark Karchner and freshman center Kevin Lyde, Temple has the best starting five in the conference. If everything comes together for the Owls, they could be playing well into March. 2. Rhode Island — The Rams came within 30 seconds of the Final Four last season, but a repeat does not look possible due to some key losses. Guards Cuttino Mobley and Tyson Wheeler, who composed the best backcourt in the league last season, graduated last May. Both Mobley, the A-10 Player of the Year. and Wheeler were A-10 First Team selections.

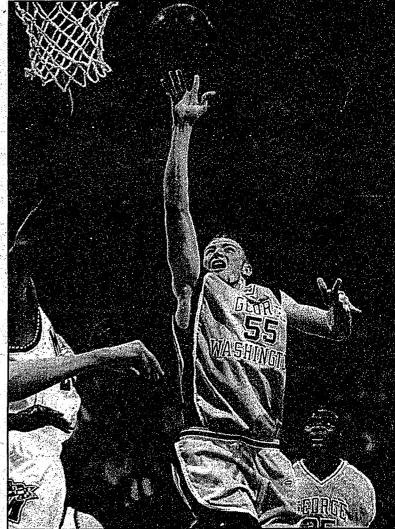


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Yegor Mescheriakov averaged 12.7 points per game last season.

returning starters, to carry the load this season.

Add in freshman forward Lamar Odom, the best recruit ever to come to RI, and the Rams will have a very talented frontcourt.

Another Elite Eight appearance might be too much to ask for, but if the backcourt plays well the Rams could challenge the Owls for the division title.

3. Massachusetts — The Minutemen return four starters from last year's squad that went 12-4 in the A-10, which tied them for second in the East Division.

Senior center Lari Ketner, who averaged 15.2 points and 7.2 rebounds per game last season, will once again be the force inside.

Joining Ketner in the post will be two junior forwards Mike Babul and Ajmal Basit. The Minutemen will be physical against opponents as they have four players who weigh more than 240 pounds.

The backcourt, comprised of senior Charlton Clarke and junior Monty Mack, with improvement, could become one of the league's while averaging 10.3 points and 6.3 rebounds per game.

Add in junior guard Tim Winn, who averaged 12.2 points per game last season and coach Jim Baron has a strong outside-inside tandem.

There is talent that will surround Cyrus and Winn this season so don't be surprised if the Bonnies flirt with an NCAA berth come March.

5. Fordham – Fordham will be the surprise of the A-10 this season. Last year, the Rams only won two conference games, but look for much improvement this season.

Leading the Rams will be sophomore guard Bevon Robin, last season's A-10 Rookie of the Year, who led the conference in scoring at 18.3 points per game.

Joining Robin in the backcourt will be sophomore guard Jason Harris, who needs to shoot more. This duo finally gives Fordham an A-10 caliber backcourt.

The problem area for the Rams is the frontcourt, which is very young and inexperienced.

If the frontcourt can produce immediately, the Rams should surprise many in the A-10. However, if the frontcourt struggles, look for Fordham to get pounded inside. 6. St. Joseph's - The Hawks lost three starters from last season's squad who all averaged in double figures in points. The hardest loss to swallow will be that of Rashid Bey, who averaged 16.9 points per game last season, due to graduation. Leading the Hawks this season. will be senior forward Robert Haskins, who averaged 11.5 points per game last season. Haskins has the ability to become a star in the league. Other than Haskins, St. Joe's is very young and inexperienced. The expectations will be low this season, but Hawks' fans have expectations for a bright future.

2. George Washington – George Washington returns four starters from last year's squad, which tied for the West Division crown and reached postseason play (NCAA) for the sixth straight year. However, the biggest loss for the Colonials is that of head coach Mike Jarvis who is now coaching at St. John's,

Replacing Jarvis is Tom Penders, who had coached Texas for the past 10 years. This is Pender's second go-around in the A-10; he coached Rhode Island for two seasons before departing for Texas.

Leading the way is sophomore Rolan Roberts, an A-10 All Rookie selection last season. Roberts led the team last year averaging 13.6 points per game and with 60 blocked shots.

One of the most highly touted newcomers in years for the Hokies is 6'9" freshman forward Dennis Mims, who will help VT in the frontcourt.

With the addition of a solid recruiting class to the returning players, the Hokies could wreak havoc for many A-10 teams this season. If the backcourt is productive, look for VT to be the surprise team in the A-10 this season. Senior Preston Murphy and a host of newcomers will attempt to fill the void in the backcourt.

With the backcourt deficiencies, the Rams will rely on junior center Luther Clay and senior forward Antonio Reynolds-Dean, the lone

UMass is almost assured of making another NCAA Tournament appearance this season, but the question lies as to whether they can move past the first round.

4. St. Bonaventure – St. Bonaventure has a very talented team returning this season, but it is unlikely they will be able to passany of the East Division's elite and will have to settle for fourth place. A key loss for SBU from last season was forward Rashaan Palmer, who averaged 17.5 points per game while shooting 47.3 percent from the field.

However, the Bonnies do return three starters, including junior center Caswell Cyrus. Cyrus developed into a total player last season

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