LADY FRIARS 1978-1979



about the COLLEGE

Providence College was founded nearly 60 years ago on eleven acres by seven Dominican Fathers. Today there are 65 Dominicans among the college's 225 faculty members and the campus has grown to include such facilities as an award-winning library, complete art studios, a multipurpose student union, and an indoor ice rink, all conveniently located on the 125 carefully landscaped acres.

In less than six decades, the college has moved to a position of prominence among the nation's educational institutions. More than 18,000 Providence College graduates have made their individual, lasting contributions to our society by their participation in government, business, industry, education, medicine, law, social work and the religious life.

Providence College offers the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Degrees in more than 30 disciplines. Unique offerings include the interdisciplinary, team-taught Development of Western Civilization program; a cooperative engineering program with Columbia, Notre Dame, and Washington University in St. Louis; "Providence-In-Europe," a study-abroad program with universities in Switzerland, Portugal, and Italy; the Liberal Arts Honors Program for students with superior academic credentials; and various government, social work and theater internships.

Studying beneath the shade of a stately oak tree; enjoying the open-air class; playing frisbee across a grassy field; strolling leisurely to dinner or a weekend dance — students scarcely realize the proximity of Rhode Island's bustling capitol city, Providence.

Just ten minutes away, students have immediate access to stage and screen theaters, including the playhouse of the nationally-known Trinity Square Reparatory Company, museums, the philharmonic, shopping, restaurant, and civic center facilities.

Since several other prominent universities and colleges are also located in the city, the academic and student community of Providence is rich with the diversity of a constant, flowing exchange of educational, cultural, and social activities.

Within an hour's drive north you can visit Boston, reaping the benefits of that city's multi-faceted educational climate. Or head south for a very different change of pace to Rhode Island's always relaxing ocean beaches.

Although spring and autumn are particularly beautiful times to visit our spacious New England campus, tours may be made in advance through the Admissions Office at any time during the academic year, excluding examination and vacation periods. Upper class students conduct a guided tour of the campus and





answers any questions prospective students and their parents may have.

Students planning to visit the campus must write or call the Admissions Office in advance if they are planning to request this tour.

Any individual desiring a personal interview with an admissions counselor must submit an official high school transcript early enough so that it is on file at the time of the visit. An interview, however, is not a required part of the application procedure.

Office hours are 9:00 - 4:00 on weekdays and scheduled Saturdays during the academic year.

Extracurricular campus activities are as varied as the students' backgrounds and interests. Outlets for artistic creativity include the college's newspaper, literary magazine, and yearbook, as well as through photo, ceramics, painting, sculpture, and other art exhibitions. Theater productions, live radio programs, and band, choral, and musical ensembles are regular features of campus life, as are poetry readings, popular movies, specialized lectures, prayer meetings, athletic intramurals,

and "mixers." Chess, hiking, ski, karate, and yoga enthusiasts have regular club meetings and other groups are formed as the interest arises. National honor societies and academic clubs sponsor educational programs and speakers in many areas.

Providence's nationally-ranked basketball team is a popular student attraction, as are varsity competitions in the sports of ice and field hockey, baseball, track, soccer, volleyball, golf, and tennis. The college's intramural athletic program offers all students the chance to participate in a wide variety of sports, such as softball, volleyball, basketball, tennis and ice hockey. Complete gym and skating facilities are also available to all students.

With all of this to choose from and the option to form a new organization, there is plenty of opportunity for students to develop and maintain interests, hobbies, and activities that will complement their formal education in the classroom.



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Ice Hockey

PC sports one of the finest women's ice hockey programs in the country. Playing in the beautiful 3,000 seat Schneider Arena, the Lady Friars are optimistic about improving upon last year's 7-4-1 record. Coach Tom Palamara returns his outstanding sophomore duo of Kathy Lenahan of Orange, Ct. and Connie Ricker of Marlboro, Mass. Last year they established school scoring records by posting respective figures of 22-14-36 and 21-12-33. Ten other veterans from last year's team return including goalie Cindy Mellon of Media, Pa. who will be a starter for the fourth consecutive season along with top senior defensive performers Cindy Sullivan of Andover, Mass. and Lynn Johnson of Durham, Conn. According to Palamara "we should improve because of experience and better depth. We have some outstanding newcomers who should be of immediate help." Top newcomers who are expected to step in immediately include center Mary Ellen Riordan of Quincy, Mass., winger Alexis Sgobbo of Acton, Mass. and defensive performer Susan Duffy.



Field Hockey

Optimism reigns high as fifteen letter winners return from last year's 4-6-1 team that is hopeful of posting a winning season. Second year coach Mary Beth Alexander greets the return of offensively powerful forwards sophomore Linda Wage of Worcester, Mass. who led last year's team in scoring with a school record 14 goals and junior Lynn Sheedy of Warwick, R.I. who had 17 points including 11 goals. Other returnees include sophomore Kathy Lenahan of Orange, Ct. who was PC's 1978 Women Athlete of the Year, seniors Jeri Oliva of Mattapoisett, Mass., Sharon McCarthy of Newport, R.I. and goalie Karen Bullard of Framingham, Mass. Other returnees include Junior Marie Ritchie of Warwick, R.I. along with sophomores Sharon Clegg of Attleboro, Mass., and Jane Ladd of W.Hartford, Ct. In an effort to successfully combat their attractive but difficult schedule the Lady Friars were able to attract two excellent goalies who despite their freshman status should offer the team tremendous depth and experience at this vital position along with returning starter Karen Bullard. Joan Murphy of Natick, Mass, who was chosen as the Boston Globe's All-Scholastic goalie and Marilyn Noble of Weston, Mass. the starting netminder on the championship Weston High team boast impressive credentials. Other newcomers who should help include Paula Monahan of Canton, Mass., Dolores Berlanga of N.Kingston, R.I., Barry Bruyette of Bloomfield, Ct., Nancy Mandino of Bristol, Ct., and Rita Fraser of Worcester, Mass.



Golf

Another program introduced to the women's intercollegiate program last year was golf. Mrs. Helen Bert coaches the team. Although formal plans have not been finalized at this writing, plans call for the team to play a number of matches in the spring.



The Lady's Friars' tennis team with ten veterans returning from last year's squad is optimistically hopeful about the upcoming season. And there are plenty of reasons why. The only losses suffered were that of Maureen Baile [4th singles] and Nancy O'Hara [first doubles] but Coach Lisa Gilbride returns plenty of proven talent from last year's 12-9 team. The two big plusses for Lisa Gilbride is the return of her top two players; junior Sue Hubbs of Dixon, Ill. and junior Mary Ann McCoy of Westwood, Mass. Last spring playing in the number one position Hubbs posted her best collegiate record by posting six wins against but two defeats. McCoy who has played in the number two position for two consecutive seasons boasts a two year competitive match record of 32-6. Their presence at the top of the lineup assures the Lady Friars of competitiveness. Sue and Mary Ann will receive plenty of support from eight veterans who played a major role in last season's winning campaign. These players are: Sue Hawkes of Warren, R.I., sophomores Sue McKeever of Marshfield, Mass. and Paula Hebert of Manchester, N.H. Experienced doubles players returning include captain Sue Sarcione of Warwick, R.I., seniors Debbie Noviello of Warren, R.I. and Monique Drolet along with sophomores Susan Smith of Northford, Ct., Helene Brosco of Cranston, R.I., Karen Downey of Nutley, N.J. and Kathy Goullet of

Middleton, N.J.

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Basketball

One of the most successful programs on campus, the basketball team will be out to earn their fourth consecutive trip to a post season tournament. Third year coach Tim Gilbride lost only one starter from last year's team which posted a 21-5 mark and finished third in the Eastern Regional Championships. Playing a first rate schedule against the likes of nationally ranked Maryland, Southern Connecticut and St. John's, PC will be led by standout juniors Lynn Sheedy of Warwick, R.I. and Mary Ann McCoy of Westwood, Mass. along with senior center Mary Ellen Buchanahan of Bridgeport, Ct. A smooth ballhandler and the team's field general, Sheedy topped the team in scoring with a 12.3 scoring average while McCoy and Buchanahan, who both averaged 10.3 points a game, ranked 1-2 in rebounding with respective figures of 10.7 and 9.3. Four other solid frontcourt veterans returning are seniors Mary Casey of Warwick, R.I., Diane Leitao of New Bedford, Mass., junior Carmen Ross of Hudson Falls N.Y., and rapidly improving sophomore Joan Finneran of Scituate, Mass. Four backcourt veterans return and are expected to wage an interesting battle for the vacant guard spot. These include sophomores Linda Wage of Worcester, Mass., Nancy Fabiano of Westwood, Mass., Kathy Dwyer of Abington, Mass., and Sue Hudson of Providence, R.I. Incoming freshmen who could also help include Rita Fraser of Worcester, Mass., all-stater Trish Curran of Warwick, R.I., Sheila Deam of Attleboro, Mass. and Madeline McCoy of Westwood, Mass. The Lady Friars will play three games in the 12,000 seat Providence Civic Center with the remaining home games being staged in the 4,000 on campus Alumni Hall facility.



Softball

Second year coach Virginia Ledgard and assistant Steve Latimer will be hard pressed to improve upon last year's 11-6 record. A lack of hitting at times proved to be a problem and that appears to be the case once again as the Lady Friars' strength appears to be in its defense. Solid play at short and third is expected from sophomores Kathy Lenahan of Orange, Ct. and Linda Wage of Worcester, Mass. who managed to top the team in hitting a year ago. One area for improvement is expected to be on the mound where sophomore Cynthia Flood of Seymour, Ct. and Mary Shonty of Providence, R.I. returns. The year of experience is expected to pay large dividends. The Lady Friars who play all of their home games at the beautiful new Glay Field complex will also host the Rhode Island Intercollegiate championships for a third consecutive year.



Cross Country and Track

Paced by standout junior Janice Cataldo of Cranston, R.I. the Lady Friars' cross country and track program will enter its second year of competition. Last season the Lady Friars suprised virtually everyone as they compiled a 4-1 record in cross country competition with Cataldo finishing first in every meet but one in which she placed second. Other top returnees include senior Cindy Mellon of Media, Pa., sophomore Ellen Blanker of Groton, Ct. and junior Carmen Ross of Hudson Falls, N.Y. Some outstanding newcomers are expected to make immediate contribution. The best of the lot appears to be Susan Ratcliffe of Cumberland, R.I. who won the 1977 R.I. High School women's cross country championship and Oona Muligan of Newton, Conn. and Kathy Welsh of North Grafton, Mass. In the spring the women will attempt to continue last year's successful outdoor track season which resulted in victories over Boston College and Boston State. Top outdoor track performers are junior Janice Cataldo in the half mile, sophomore Sharon Clegg of Attleboro, Mass. in the sprints and as a hurdler, freshman Sue Ratcliffe in the mile and half mile along with Kathy Meringher a long jumper, Maura McGuire of Ellington, Ct. a high jumper, Gine DeVecchis of Providence, R.I. an all-stater in the shot and discuss and Rory Cormody of Rumford, R.I. in the shot put, javelin and discuss. The cross country and track team will be coached by Kathy Cerra.

Volleyball

The Lady Friars will have their work cut out if they hope to top last year's performance which saw Coach Dick Bagge's squad compile an impressive 14-3 record. But don't count them out because Bagge returns all of last season's top performers who should be better than ever. Heading the group of returnees is sophomore captain Joan Finneran of Scituate, Mass. who shouldered a great deal of the offensive burden a year ago. Other outstanding returnees include soph Sandy Radcliffe of Warwick, R.I. who last year directed the offense from her back court post and talented sophomore setters Sue Hutson of Cranston, R.I., Debbie O'Brien of Cheshire, Ct., and Christine Froncillo of Bristol, R.I. Despite last year's success Coach Bagge had a very young team featuring seven freshmen a sophomore and four juniors. With all twelve of last year's team members returning the situation is optimistic and add some exciting newcomers and there is reason to believe PC could be better than ever despite a rugged schedule. Best of the newcomers are Madeline McCoy of Westwood, Mass., Sheila Deam of Attleboro, Mass. and Trish Curran of Warwick, R.I.



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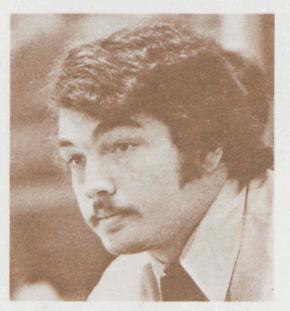
The women's athletic offices are open Monday-Friday from 11:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 12 noon - 9 p.m.

Anyone interested in further information may write to Mrs. Helen Bert, Asst. Athletic Director, Providence College, Providence, R.I. 02918 or may call her at [401] 865-2296.

Anyone seeking information on the various teams may contact Sports Information Director Mike Tranghese at 865-2272.



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