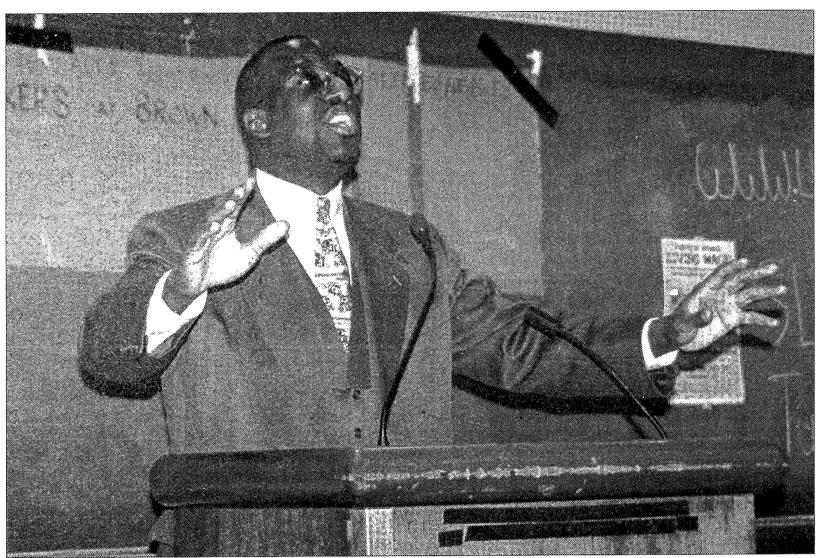
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The Rev. Marlowe Washington called on students at Monday night's living wage forum to take action, saying, "You've got to get active — you can't just study books, but should get off College Hill and into the city."

Forum on living wage draws 100

BY ANDY GOLODNY

Some 100 students attended a forum on living wages in Salomon 001 Monday night that featured a rallying speech by the Rev. Marlowe Washington.

"A living wage is one that allows people to meet basic needs like food, housing and services, but is also more than that because it involves people's dignity too," said Jessica Tierney '04, a member of the Student Labor Alliance (SLA), which sponsored the event.

"Even you as students are a powerful force," Washington told the audience, which often broke in with applause. "You've got to get active — you can't just study books, but should get off College Hill and into the city.

"There is absolutely no reason that with all of the money that this school has that it can't pay its workers a decent wage or give them health care," he said.

Washington said total student charges of over \$35,000 should be more than enough to cover the cost of a living wage at Brown.

"If we can afford six-figure salaries for professors, we can afford a living wage," he added.

Providence is in the process of reviewing a possible living wage ordinance that would call for workers to make a minimum of \$12.30.

"This would give Providence one of the highest wages in the country," Tierney said of the living wage recommended by the SLA.

The SLA based its recommendation on a National Low Income Housing Coalition study, which showed that by federal standards, a worker in Providence must make \$12.30 to afford a two-bedroom apartment.

Tierney said there are 56 minimum wage laws in the country, which vary from \$6.25 to \$12.00.

"We investigated at Brown and found some really appalling things for a University that says it stands for a certain set of values," she said.

"If you have a business, you are ethically required to make sure that your workers are respected," Washington said.

Brown employs 350 temporary and miscellaneous workers, none of whom receive health care benefits.

"This really contradicts core institutional values at Brown," Tierney said. "Brown can not fully address issues of race and class without adjusting its hiring practices."

Brown's policy on temporary workers states, "Brown

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D'Antuono mourned at memorial in Sayles

BY KERRY MILLER

Music filled Sayles Hall as over 100 people gathered Monday in a service of thanksgiving for the life of Nancy "Nan" D'Antuono, lead systems programmer in Computing and Information Services (CIS).

D'Antuono joined the staff of CIS in 1981. Her body was found Feb. 14 in the Rhode Island Audubon Society's George B. Parker Woodland.

D'Antuono's friends and colleagues offered their memories of a woman one colleague described as "complex, bright and quick-witted, [a] caring friend, never at a loss for words ... daring, someone who loved to push the envelope, to get a reaction, but at the same time extremely sensitive."

"Above all else, Nan was passionate," said Don Wolfe, vice president for CIS. "She was passionate about gardening and plants, she was passionate about animals, she was passionate about her work, her interests and her friends and she was passionate about music."

Many others spoke of her love for astronomy and the annual auto show, and of her impeccable attention to detail. Wolfe noted the fondness he and D'Antuono shared for single malt scotch.

"Her passionate nature made it very interesting to know Nan," Wolfe said. "Not always easy, but always, always, interesting."

Many spoke of D'Antuono's vivacity and individuality.

"From her first day working here at Brown, she left an indelible imprint on the office environment," said CIS Information Technology Architect Steven Carmody. "She was a character. There's just no other word for it. She was unique, and she filled the space around her with her presence, her energy and her highly personalized view of the world."

Many spoke also about D'Antuono's humorous nature.

"Thanks to Nan for her great sense of humor that enlivened many of our weekly knitting nights," one friend said. "I'll remember you in the stitches, both in the yarn and in our sides, from laughing."

Laughter filled the hall as friends shared their humorous remembrances. Carmody recalled how one of D'Antuono's co-workers was blamed for a sexist calendar hanging on the wall of the cubicle he shared with D'Antuono.

"It turned out that it was Nan's Buns of Steel calendar that was causing the outrage," Carmody said.

The Rev. Janet Cooper Nelson, University chaplain, led the service.

"We will never know why she chose to leave us," Wolfe said, "but, as we did so many times when she worked with us, we must trust her judgment as to what was right for her."

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ACUP mulls new parking garage, other projects

BY JOSHUA SCHULMAN-MARCUS

The Advisory Committee on University Planning (ACUP) spent its Monday meeting discussing its priorities for this semester, which included funding for the Campus Life Living Learning Project, need-blind admission, construction of a Thayer Street parking garage and other projects.

The meeting focused on identifying and forming a list of what Provost Kathryn Spoehr '69 called "a relatively circumscribed set of priorities."

First among those priorities are plans to which Brown has already committed, including a new life sciences building, increased student aid, higher faculty pay and renovations to the Pembroke dorms and Corliss-Brackett House, the College Admission Office's permanent home.

Spoehr noted that projected costs on many of the capital priorities had risen from earlier estimates, especially the life sciences building, whose projected cost rose from \$78 million to \$94 million. Spoehr said this was due to estimates made years ago being adjusted for higher construction costs.

A second list of ACUP priorities, labeled "high-level," includes the Campus Life Living Learning Project, more funding for information technology, funding for the library and money for need-blind admission.

Also on that list is a potential Thayer Street parking garage, estimated to cost \$15 million. Consideration of this project comes at the request of the city of Providence, which claims there is insufficient parking in the Brown area, especially on Thayer Street, Spoehr said.

"Since they can hold up anything we do around here, it's worth paying attention to that directive," Spoehr said. Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration Donald Reaves said such a garage would probably hold 350-400 spots.

Also on ACUP's list of priorities are long-term funding estimates for items such as endowed research funds, facilities renovation, dorm and dining hall repairs and a possible library expansion.

The meeting began with a report by Interim President Sheila Blumstein, who explained the modifications the Corporation made to ACUP's report on the budget.

Among other changes, the Corporation lowered the increase in total student charges from 3.7 to 3.6 percent and raised the target increase in the Brown Annual Fund from 7 to 8 percent.

Brown's total student charges for next year are within the range of increases in the Ivy League, Blumstein said. Spoehr added that due to cost hikes at Cornell, "it's conceivable of Brown falling from number two to three [in price], which is good for us."

The adjusted budget approved by the Corporation gives ACUP the authority to make recommendations on the allocation of over \$1.12 million. This is substantially more than ACUP's original figure of \$665,000, Spoehr said.

Blumstein suggested the priorities that merit discussion by ACUP are related to faculty salaries, information services and student support, among others.

"I, along with you, share a common concern that we're falling behind our peers in some of these concerns," Blumstein said.

ACUP Faculty Vice Chair William Rakowski, associate professor of bio med community health, also suggested reviewing the athletics budget, graduate health care funding and library requests.

ACUP undergraduate representative Julia Fleming '02.5 asked whether the University's decision to switch to an early decision admission policy would have an impact on financial aid. Spoehr said it would not, but it would erase the Admission Office's \$50,000 deficit.

Undergraduate representative Sohil Sud '03 suggested that ACUP consider how the University can save money, perhaps with cost reductions in electricity and paperwork.

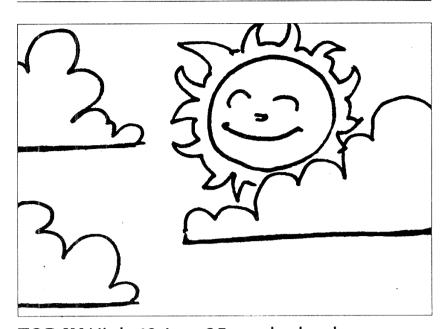
"We can save a lot of money by little things," Sud said.
At the close of the meeting, ACUP voted to appoint
Fleming student vice chair and to reappoint Rakowski
faculty vice chair and Spoehr chair of the committee.

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CALENDAR

LECTURE — "Charlestown at Buildout: Modeling Development and Conservation at the Municipal Level," Matthew Amengual, MacMillan 115, noon.

PRESENTATION — "The Unforeseen Consequences of Sanitary Technology in Providence: 1840-1920," Doug Martland '01 will discuss his Royce Fellowship Project. Swearer Center, noon.

LECTURE — "All My Help was Cries," Saidiya Hartman, University of California – Berkeley, Crystal Room, Alumnae Hall, 5 p.m.

PANEL DISCUSSION — "We Ain't Nobody's Backyard!: Anti-Imperialism in the Caribbean," Caldwell Taylor, former ambassador of Grenada; Alix Cantave, University of Massachusetts -Boston; Josephina Vidal, Cuban Interest Group, Room 001, Salomon Center, 7:30 p.m.

READING — Paul Beatty, Piano Lounge, Graduate Center, 8 p.m.

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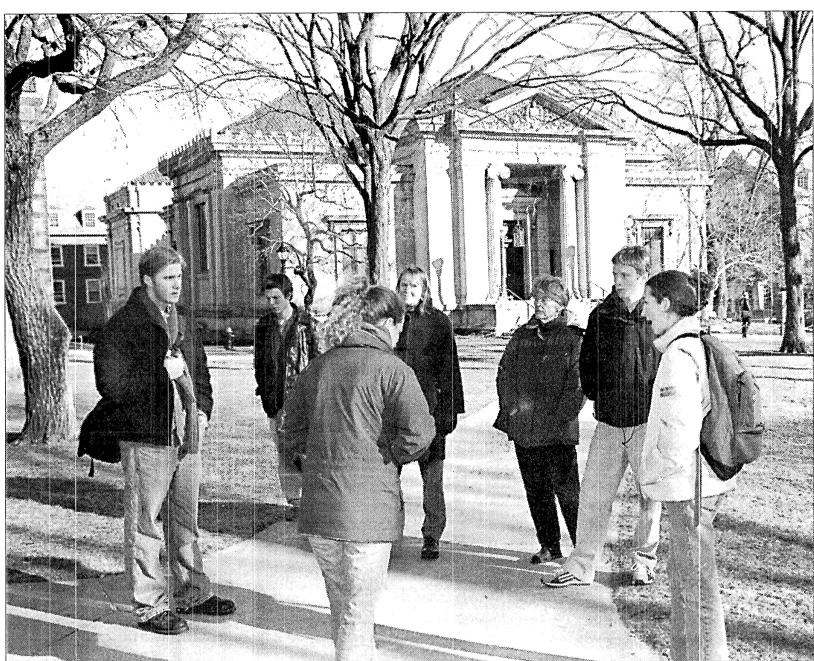
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COLD ON THE OUTSIDE

Prospective students and their parents pause on the Main Green during a tour of the campus Monday afternoon as Tour guides Kim Bartlett '01(third from left) and Eliza Katz '03 (far right) speak about student activities at Brown. The visitors got a windy welcome to Providence, as gusts reached 14 mph on College Hill.

IN BRIEF

Whitehouse, Palazzolo have their day before **U.S. Supreme Court**

washington (AP) — Rhode Island Attorney General Sheldon Whitehouse acknowledged Monday he was nervous arguing a wetlands protection case before the U.S. Supreme Court.

However, when the stood up before the nine justices, he said all the weeks of worry wore off.

"A fatalistic sense of calm prevails so I was actually fairly calm," he said.

Whitehouse made the state's case for 20 minutes, taking the floor after James Burling, the attorney for landowner Anthony Palazzolo of Westerly, R.I., opened the 70-minute session.

Justices were quick to pepper both attorneys with questions, a process Burling later described as "nonstop firing."

Whitehouse, a Democrat and likely gubernatorial candidate in 2002, played down the impact the Palazzolo case could have on his political career.

"This is a lawyer's game not a politician's game," he said.

Palazzolo emerged from the courthouse with his lawyer, thanking him for taking the case and getting him front row seats.

"Anytime you sit in the front row of anything it's pretty good," he said.

Palazzolo and Whitehouse crossed paths on the steps of the courthouse as both men were leaving. They politely shook hands.

"See you back in Rhode Island," Palazzolo said. "I'm sure we will," the attorney general responded.

Six-alarm fire destroys vacant mill in Lincoln, R.I.

LINCOLN, R.I. (AP) — A six-alarm fire that destroyed a vacant textile mill Monday likely started in a former tool and die shop, causing at least \$1 million in damage, Manville Fire Chief James Akers said.

No one was believed to be inside.

The first alarm sounded around 1:10 a.m. and heavy flames and smoke could be seen on the mill's south side, where the shop was located, Akers said. Most of the factory's machinery, which the owner planned to auction off, was destroyed, Akers said.

A demolition crew and an arson investigation team will begin sifting through the mill's charred remains when it is safe, probably Tuesday afternoon, Akers said. Crews were trying to douse "hot spots" where the fire still burned.

"We'll give it a day or so to stabilize before a team goes through and starts tearing stuff apart looking for a cause," the chief said.

Several explosions occurred inside the structure as the blaze spread through the factory, firefighters said. All the chemicals used in the mill had been removed shortly after the closed in June. The building's gas had been shut off, but its electricity was still working, Akers said.

The complex of one- and two-story buildings is connected by breezeways and has some basement space, making the fire hard to attack, firefighters said. No firefighters were sent inside.

"There's no reason to jeopardize anyone by going in there," Akers said.

The mill is in a residential neighborhood, but the flames were contained to the factory. No homes were evacuated.

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IN BRIEF

Harvard's search for new leader focuses on U. Michigan president

As Harvard University prepares to announce its next president, reports continue to point to University of Michigan President Lee C. Bollinger as Harvard's favored candidate.

Bollinger is reported to have interviewed with Harvard's search committee for several hours last Sunday after he was flown from Michigan to Manhattan for what the Harvard Crimson called a "secret meeting."

In the search for its 27th president Harvard does not have a "specific collection of talents" it is looking for, Joseph Wrinn, director of the Harvard News Office told The Herald earlier this month. Instead, he said the university is "searching for someone with intellect and breadth of knowledge and the ability to grasp the essence of Harvard's agenda — a president who will preserve knowledge and simultaneously work forward to new knowledge."

Harvard hopes to have made the final "selection by the end of this academic year," Wrinn said. Recent reports have indicated that Harvard will make a decision in two weeks.

Other names that some reports include on Harvard's candidate list include Harvard Provost Harvey Fineberg, Princeton professor Amy Gutmann and former U.S. Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers.

— Seth Kerschner

MIT students more likely to commit suicide than students nationwide

According to a recent survey published by the Boston Globe, students at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) are more likely to commit suicide than students at other colleges nationwide.

MIT had a suicide rate of 10.2, which corresponded to 11 suicides between 1990 and 2000. With a rate of 7.4, Harvard University had the second highest rate of suicides and Duke University came in third with a suicide rate of 6.1 per 100,000 suicides a year.

The survey also estimated that anywhere between 20 and 65 percent of lvy League students entertain thoughts of suicide.

Statistics on suicides at Brown were not available.

— Seth Kerschner

Wellesley diversity sit-in ends

After staging a two-day sit-in, demonstrators from Wellesley College's Asian Action Movement reached an agreement with the school's administration on 12 of its 13 demands.

The college has not yet agreed to provide a full-time adviser for students of Asian descent, but the administration has agreed to provide office space for the 13 Asian-American groups on campus, expand Asian-American studies courses and heavily recruit Asian staff members. Some one-quarter of Wellesley's 2,300 students are of Asian descent.

Negotiations between 60 students and Wellesley administrators had been going on since Thursday, when the administration initially failed to meet the students' demands.

— Seth Kerschner

Following Princeton announcement, Harvard to increase aid by \$8.3 mil

BY BETHANY RALLIS

A month after Princeton University announced it would increase its total financial aid budget by \$16 million, including a plan to replace student loans with grants, Harvard University announced Wednesday that it will increase its undergraduate financial aid budget by \$8.3 million.

Harvard intends for this increase to help students on financial aid by offering them an additional \$2,000 to reduce the "self-help" portion — including loans and workstudy - of their aid package from \$5,150 to \$3,150, said Harvard spokeswoman Sally Baker.

Although Harvard's actions come in the wake of Princeton's, Baker said the university was not waging in the "bidding war" that members and observers of the higher education community speculated Princeton's initiative would set off.

"Things like this don't happen in relation to each other," Baker said. "A financial aid decision like this one is not one that you could hope to discuss in three weeks."

Baker attributed the close time proximity of the two school's actions on financial aid to an appropriate "economic climate for both universities to make this gesture."

Also refusing to participate in the speculated war, Brown "cannot be reactive, but rather we must work here at Brown to figure out best way to manage and structure a package in the best way that we can," said Interim President Sheila Blumstein.

Brown has "to weigh its current policy against the marketplace," said Michael Bartini, director of financial aid.

Now that a second Ivy League institution has "made a major financial aid adjustment, we will continue to review our policies with that in mind," Bartini said. "Right now

there is nothing that we will do immediately except to make sure that our policies are in line with needs of students from all financial backgrounds."

After several months of meetings to weigh Harvard's priorities with regard to financial aid increases, Harvard Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences Jeremy Knowles made the final decision about the budget increase, Baker said.

The plan is "geared toward Harvard, not Princeton students, making it Harvard specific," Baker said.

It focuses on two financial aid reductions "aimed at taking pressure off of students who were passing up opportunities to have a job and at leveling the playing field for students on financial need," Baker said.

She highlighted the idea that the new plan will reduce loans and open students to pursue careers that may be of professional interest — not just economic benefit — as they pay off college loans.

"I believe that students have those flexibilities here at Brown as well," Bartini said.

Harvard approved a 3.5 percent increase in total tuition and fees from \$33,110 to \$34,269 for 2001–02. Nearly 70 percent of Harvard undergraduates are on some form of financial aid.

"When tuition increases, the financial aid package is recalculated to take the financial aid into account," Baker said.

At Brown, Blumstein said, "we have our competitiveness plan that is ongoing to reduce the amount of loans."

"We also need to weigh this against need blind," she said.

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Faculty committee to report on potential obstacles women profs face at University

BY SHANA JALBERT

A faculty committee is on track to present a report to the University on potential barriers that women professors face.

Leaders from several of Brown's peer institutions met last month to recognize barriers women faculty members in science and engineering must face and to promise that each institution would work toward "equity and full participation" of its women faculty.

The conference was initiated by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), where a 1999 report forced the administration to acknowledge gender discrimination. Provost Kathryn Spoehr '69 said that although Brown received the report, it was not invited to participate in the conference. Nine universities participated in the conference.

Faculty members could only speculate that Brown's spending on science and engineering did not reach the level that MIT used to decide which schools would be invited.

Since the report's release, Brown has made efforts to determine if its women faculty members experience the same problems and to try to combat the cycle that keeps women from becoming professors in science and engineer-

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The schools at the conference decided on three specific goals, including working toward a faculty whose diversity reflects that of the students they educate.

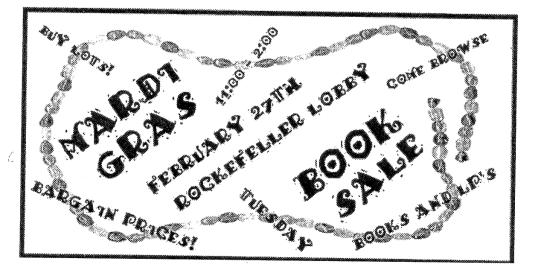
As of the fall semester, Brown's tenured faculty included 335 men and only 109 women, said Associate Dean of the Faculty William Crossgrove. Non-tenured faculty included 75 men and 51 women. While this imbalance has improved greatly since 1986, the numbers are far from reflecting the gender ratio of the student body.

In the physical sciences, tenured faculty included 123 men and eight women, while non-tenured faculty included 22 men and seven women, he said.

At the conference, it was noted that because faculty members remain at the same school for many years, it is unrealistic to expect the numbers to balance immediately.

Associate Dean of the College David Targan, head of the Women in Science and Engineering (WiSE) program, said the pipeline model has been used to explain the lack of

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women becoming tenured professors in science and engineering.

Targan said factors from pre-school to tenuredprofessorship can affect women's' choices. He said WiSE tries to "address the part of the pipeline that we can control and impact it in some positive way."

Associate Professor of History Amy Remensnyder noted that "the more elite the institution, the fewer women" and said "there are many departments on campus that need to make a bigger effort to recruit women."

The MIT conference also set a goal to create "a profession, and institutions, in which individuals with family responsibilities are not disadvantaged."

Iris Bahar, assistant professor of engineering and a former committee member, stressed that in departments like engineering where women mentors and role models are scarce, "juggling family issues and maternity" is "more of an anomaly than a norm."

Crossgrove said the University is working on its policy for family leave — both for men and women — and after the conclusion of a study, will have more information on whether the policy needs to be changed.

The committee also generally addressed equity for, and full participation by, women faculty.

But "gender bias these days is not typically blatant," Fischer said, making this goal more difficult to address.

Associate Professor of Geological Sciences Karen Fischer, a former committee member, said discrimination is usually made up of "little things put together" that become "a pronounced pattern of unequal treatment."

Since these issues relate more to individual experiences, Remensnyder explained, the Committee has been exploring how to find out how women feel. Women of each rank in all departments will come together in meetings next fall.

"In a broad sense," Fischer said, "Brown in general has a very good climate for women in sciences."

But there is still "room for improvement," Bahar said, noting that Brown is "certainly making a start."

Targan echoed her feelings, saying, "since the WiSE program was started 10 years ago, we've made a lot of headway, but we have a long way to go until there is a feeling of equity."

Living Wage

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University requires the services of various types of employees to fulfill needs of a seasonal, short-duration or part-time nature. Such positions may be full or part-time. In general, these positions do not qualify as regular positions."

"Some people say that we have to chose between higher student wages and higher employee wages, but I don't think that's true," said Keren Wheeler '01.5, a member of Students on Financial Aid (SOFA). "All workers should be a top priority over other priorities."

Besides the wage increase, the SLA would also like to see Brown implement a temporary worker code of conduct and a health care plan for temporary workers.

On the question of implementation, Nicholas Reville '02, a member of the SLA, said, "It's going to be an expensive program, but can not just be put into the mix of priorities. This needs to happen immediately."

He recommended increasing the endowment draw to 4.7 percent to pay for the wage increases.

"This is seen as a conflict between saving for the future vs. spending needs now, but we see higher wages as a moral imperative," Reville said.

According to estimates given to the SLA by Donald Reaves, executive vice president for finance and administration, it would cost the University \$1.8 million to implement the \$12.30 minimum wage. There would be an additional cost for a health care plan.

When asked about setting priorities, Josh Mandelbaum '01, a member of the SLA said, "equity issues should be the highest priority. This doesn't mean that they will be resolved at the drop of a hat, but it does mean that they should be addressed."

"There doesn't need to be tradeoffs and the University doesn't need to eliminate one to get the other," Reville said.

State Rep. Joseph Alneida was scheduled to speak at Monday night's forum but did not arrive.

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Women's track sprints past Harvard to win Heptagonals

BY JOANNA GROSSMAN

The women's track and field team triumphantly reclaimed the title of Heptagonal champions in Harvard's gym this past weekend. Coming into the meet Harvard was the favorite after winning the indoor championship last year and having many of its strongest performers returning.

"This was a championship team that rose to the occasion," said Head Coach Robert Johnson. "Going in, Harvard was the favorite, but we had tremendous performances all over. We had a great first day with people qualifying to come back the next day for finals."

Most of the scores are generated on the second day of competition, when the finals for events with trials take place. One race that does get scored on the first day is the women's 5,000-meter run. Kim Thalmann '02 ran to first place with a time of 16:39.79, finishing a full eight seconds before the next competitor.

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"My goal was to win the 5,000. It was definitely very exciting, especially since I've been waiting for it," Thalmann said. "I knew that I was going to go out and lead, and I just made my own race. The 3,000 was just a matter of seeing what I had left. It was really positive to have Sara [Tindall '01] in the race with me. It felt like cross country when we would work together in a race."

Besides winning the 5,000, Thalmann also scored in the 3,000 meter run the next day by finishing third with a time of 9:38.13. Finishing right in front of her in the race was Tindall with a time of 9:34.37. Tindall also doubled up for the Bears, finishing second in the mile run in 4:55.10.

"The distance squad was well prepared for the meet," Johnson said. "Sara had a tremendous weekend doubling in the 3,000 and the mile and Kim was unbelievable, winning the 5,000 and coming back the next day for the 3,000."

The atmosphere in the field house was upbeat all weekend, with many of the non-competing members of the team making the trip to cheer on their teammates.

"This was the most energetic I've ever seen it at Heps," Thalmann said. "There is something about the indoor meets that brings everyone closer together."

Co-captain Lindsay Taylor '01 once again came through in a big way for the Bears, competing in five events — four individually and one relay. She did not finish lower than third in any of her events, racking

up an impressive 38 points toward Brown's total score of 120. Taylor finished first in the pentathlon with a score of 4,053, nearly 300 points ahead of the second-place finisher. With this mark she set a new Heps record and a new personal record for the second year in a row. Taylor finished second in both the long jump with a distance of 19'4.75", and in the 60 meter hurdles with a time of 8.74. She finished third in the high jump at a height of 5'8" and was part of the one-mile relay team that finished third with a time of 3:51.81.

"It was absolutely amazing," Taylor said. "We have a lot of very spirited younger folks and I think that they really carried a large part of the load. Harvard definitely had the edge in this meet, but we came out and showed them that we were the better team. We really can't ask for anything more."

"Heps is always a hard meet for me because I compete in so many events," said Taylor of her own performance. "I don't expect to get personal records. I was very excited with my results. I qualified provisionally for the NCAA's in the high jump. The pentathlon is my favorite event. It was a great record to reset. I don't usually like to compete at Harvard. I haven't competed particularly well there in the past, so it was good to start out well in the long jump and keep going."

The sprinters also performed well and made their mark for Brown. "Coming back for the finals people started performing," Johnson said. "In the dash Claudine [Compas '01] and Emily [McElveen '04] had great performances."

Compas finished third with a time of 7.86 and McElveen finished eighth with a time of 8.13. In the 60 meter hurdles Ayanna Andrew '02 finished third with a time of 8.93, right behind Taylor. In the 200 meter dash, fifth and sixth places were captured by Andrew (25.61) and McElveen (26.46), respectively. In the 400 meter dash Co-captain Konique Ballah '02 finished third with a time of 57.72.

The Brown jumpers pulled out some good performances as well. In the high jump Emily Owens '02 finished sixth with a jump of 5'6".

The shot put was the last event with a Brown athlete to finish. After fouling twice in the preliminary flight, Amber Knighten '02 got in a throw that moved her to the finals. On her last throw of the finals, she edged ahead of the women into first place to win the competition with a throw of 48'9.5".

"It was Amber's throw that sealed the win [of the meet] for us," Johnson said.

"It was a great weekend for so many people," Thalmann said. "Everyone seemed to turn it on when they were supposed to."

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Inhospitable hosts: women's polo slams guests, wins tourney

BY MAGGIE HASKINS

While most winter sports teams are winding down their regular seasons, the Brown women's water polo team has dominated opponents in the first month of its season. This past weekend was no different for the 13th ranked Bears, who extended their record to 7-1 with wins over UMass, George Washington, Dartmouth and Queens at the Brown Invitational in the Smith Swim Center.

The first foe of the Invitational for Brown was No. 14 UMass, the defending Northern Champions and Brown's strongest competition for that very title. UMass struck first with a goal about two minutes into the contest, but Brown returned the favor 40 seconds later as Jeanie Ward-Waller's '04 shot found the back of the UMass net. A seesaw ensued, as UMass pulled ahead again 3-2 in the second quarter before Noel Pacarro '02 netted one with 10 seconds left in the half to tie the score.

In the third quarter Brown scored twice with goals from Julia Lamont '01 and Jackie Parente '04, but UMass answered right back, tallying four times and going into the fourth with a 7-5 lead. But the Bears would not crumble in the fourth quarter, as they turned up their intensity to go on a 3-0 scoring streak, led by Pacarro, to win 8-7. Goalkeeper Keira Heggie '04 had 7 saves.

Though Pacarro did not score any goals in the fourth, each of the three goals garnered by the Bears were from kickouts drawn by her.

"We scored all of our fourth quarter points on our 6-on-5 power play, many of which Noel set up by drawing the ejections," said Head Coach Todd Clapper. "She is really establishing herself as a leader in and out of the pool."

In the second game of the day, Brown faced off against George Washington. The Bears entered the game with a rather lackadaisical attitude, as the lack of intensity found the Bears tied at 5 at the half. In the second half, however, the team stepped it up, shutting out GW for the rest of the match and winning 11-5. Tori Barbata '02, Sonia Lamel '04 and Ward-Waller all ended up with hat tricks for Bruno. Alexa LaFaunce '03 had two saves and Heggie had eight saves.

The last game of the day was against Ivy League rival Dartmouth. From the start of the game it was all Brown, as seven scorers lead the Bears to an 11-2 victory. Brown would win the contest with a wide range of scorers. Four Bears had two goals apiece — Melissa Iagulli '03, Julie Williams '03, Parente and Lamont. LaFaunce had 7 saves.

The final game of the tournament was against Queens College on Sunday. Brown dominated from the start, allowing only one goal and racking up eight on the offensive end. Pacarro scored four points and Barbata scored two points to lead the way. The defense played a tremendous game, anchored by LaFaunce's 11 saves.

With a great start out of the gate for the Bears, the water polo team looks forward to a rematch with UMass at the Smith Swim Center on March 6 at 7 p.m.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

A lot of space

The University's proposal to build a parking garage on Thayer Street, announced at Monday's Advisory Committee on University Planning (ACUP) meeting is a much-needed step in alleviating parking issues on College Hill.

Parking has long been a problem on and around the Brown campus and is an issue that has intensified in recent years. The elimination of the University parking lot where construction for the Watson Institute is taking place as well as prime street parking where taxi stands now exist has made finding a parking space near campus all the more frustrating.

Additional University parking spaces will be taken away when construction begins on the life sciences building. Although construction projects are important, every bit of space counts in this city, and the parking problem worsens each time a spot is eliminated.

The proposal comes at the request of the city of Providence, which is right in claiming that there is insufficient parking in the Brown area.

But that insufficient space is not limited to University lots; parking on the streets of Providence is not easy either. The strict parking rules, including a ban on overnight parking, make having a privately rented spot — from the University or otherwise — a necessity for Brown community members with cars.

Like the city of Providence, where parking is tight on the narrow colonial streets, Brown faces its own share of parking problems. Students, faculty and staff unhappy with their University-assigned parking area often park on the street for convenience, intensifying the problem for the city and the University. For students who park at the stadium, for example, even getting a \$10 ticket from the Providence Police Department for parking on the street is better than walking more than a mile to their assigned lot. And for staff who work on the Main Green, leaving a car at the Athletic Center may make the difference between being on time and being late to work, forcing them to search for parallel parking on the already crowded streets, which often comes with the added hassle of having to change spots every few hours to avoid parking tickets.

The parking problem is not the Parking Office's fault — Brown does the best job it can given the circumstances it faces. But an additional 350 to 400 parking spots in a prime location would make everyone's job easier.

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LETTERS

College Dems not official protesters

To the Editor:

I am writing on behalf of the Brown College Democrats to correct Travis Rowley's false assertion that our organization sent official representatives to the protest of President Bush's inauguration ("Brown protesters an embarrassment to community," Feb. 26). While members of our organization did take part in the demonstrations, myself included, the Brown College Democrats did not endorse the protests. Those members who decided to take part were acting on their personal sentiments about the election, and were not "representing" the College Democrats.

Rowley's screeching about Brown protesters as "embarrassments" seems to be based solely on his own superior attitude, and not on any consistent ethical argument. Accusing all Brown protesters of making obscene gestures toward the president is utterly unfounded, and Rowley's intimation that Brown students would have happily thrown paintballs at American veterans is as absurd as it is offensive. Even if some students did behave as Rowley suggests, their actions do not remotely justify the blanket condemnation of free assembly that Rowley proceeds to make.

Assuming for himself the role of political sage, Rowley informs us that public demonstrations are illegitimate and ineffective means of political participation. Inconvenient examples like the Civil Rights movement are simply not discussed in Rowley's selfcongratulating diatribe. How he can so blatantly ignore history and yet still claim the intellectual high ground is utterly baffling.

Rather than taking protesters seriously, he dismisses their views because they are "young" and "energetic." Apparently Rowley believes his fellow Brown students to be so inferior that they can't possibly have intelligent reasons for attending the inaugural protest. The Supreme Court's shameless partisanship and complaints of discrimination at Florida polling places are never even mentioned, let alone debated.

> Matthew Shechmeister '03 **Brown College Democrats**

Tuition increase still greater than inflation

To the Editor:

In The Herald's article "Brown Corporation sets total charges for 2001-02 at \$34,750," Feb. 26), it was noted that the 3.6 percent price increase is the smallest since 1967. Yet this "smallest" increase still exceeds the inflation rate, which has averaged 2.66 percent over the past 10 years and was 3.4 percent in 2000.

Although a Brown diploma pays for itself over time, the sky-high ticket price at Brown and at other top private universities is a struggle for most students' families to meet. Brown and its peers should commit themselves to raising fees more slowly than inflation.

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George W. is not father's son but a sequel to Clinton

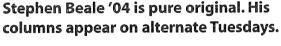
IT'S ONE MONTH AFTER CLINTON LEFT office, and yet Pardongate still is monopolizing the headlines. But until we hear news of Clinton divorcing Hillary for Marc Rich's exwife or getting castrated by his prison inmates we need to take Papa Bush's advice that we should "give the boy a chance."

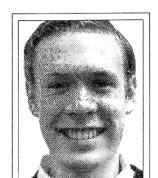
Problem is, Boy Bush is more boring than Viagra-poster-boy Bob Dole would have been. Forget his short fallings — when Augustus to compared Reaganus, Bush II, like most sequels, fails to even live up to the standards of Bush I. Yes, I

confess I have abstained from my nightly liturgies of sacrificing burnt offerings and lighting incense to a life-sized icon of Ronald Reagan, and I have entertained sentimental feelings for Dubya's senior alter ego. For a mod-

est comparison of George Bush Jr. with Bush Sr. reveals that Bush can barely even live up to the standards set by his father.

Both Bushes seem to have mental blocks when it comes to economics and math. At least Bush Sr. appeared to be in control of it all when he denounced Reagan's economic program as "voodoo economics." For Junior, everything is "fuzzy," especially the story of his life pre-1974. His Clintonian equivocations about his college bacchanalian revelries contrast sharply with his father, who lied about his age ... to fight in World War II. Bush Sr. cultivated an enviable resume that included tenure as the director of the CIA, chairman of the Republican National Committee, oil executive, vice president, and finally president. Junior blew one business venture after another and stumbled into the governorship of Texas. Although George Bush Sr. was not "one of us," he made overtures to conservatives, trying to befriend them. He even let Pat Buchanan give an





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unscripted speech at his convention. Dubya has flaunted his independence from conservatives from day one. During the first Bush presidency, one could find consolation in the fact that the elder Bush devoted his mornings to scrutinizing CIA reports (a tra-

> dition ironically set by Carter); one can only imagine Junior throwing spitballs on the ceiling while Dick Cheney explains what "CIA" stands for.

One strong thread runs between the two George Bushes: Senior squandered the Reagan Coalition by raising taxes; Junior frittered away the great Clamorous Majority—the conservative majority that was once America. In every election since the 1960s (beginning with 1968, when Americans had the first opportunity to appreciate

the '60s), a majority of the voters have cast a conservative ballot. There is only one exception: 1976, when the Republicans were, um, drowning in Watergate. This most recent election constitutes the first time in a quarter of a century that the liberal vote was greater than the conservative vote. Aside from the technical fact that Gore won the popular vote on his own, once one couples his 48 percent with Nader's 3 percent, a solid liberal majority emerges. Bush's 48 percent verifies my rule that moderates can't really win elections.

In fact, Bush is less of a sequel to his father than he is to Bill Clinton. If one views politics as a spectrum, it might be said that Clinton distorted and reconfigured it into a prism with his politics of triangulation. Triangulation is far more sinister than innocent moderate politics. It represents a conscious attempt to distance oneself from the far left and the far right. Triangulation requires a chimerical mixing of both "liberal" and "conservative" policies — theoretically solidifying the middle and deflating the agendas of partisans of both sides of the defunct political spectrum. Example: Clinton's support for a menagerie of issues including the V-chip,

welfare reform, gun control, partial birth abortions, affirmative action, health care and balanced budgets. Where is the ideological consistency in this list?

George W. has fallen into this vortex of unmoderated moderates. A textbook case of triangulation can be found as early as the pre-primary campaign season when he lambasted the Republicans for too often focusing on "national statistics" and "balancing the budget on the backs of the poor." The next day, he had words for Al Gore too. Clearly Bush continued this theme of centrist myopia when he called for unity during his inaugural address. "Unity" is synonymous with "bipartisanship" and insinuates a condemnation of both the Gingrich Congress and the Clinton administration. The point is that politics is supposed to be divisive. In fact, in the British Parliament, a vote was called a "division." Of course, such partisan politics has fallen prey to triangulation, and Bush's month-old policy portfolio is a classic example: cutting of abortion funding, a tax cut, prescription drug plans and a tremendous spending spree on education. In fact, the trumped-up federal funding of faith-based charities (why can't he just say Christian charities?) is nothing more than church-ordained welfare, which is of course why Al Gore endorsed the idea during the campaign. I suppose I should tow the line for his attempt to revive supplyside economics, but it is hard to do this duty when I realize that Bush's tax cut is even smaller than Lyndon Johnson's 1964 tax cut. (\$1.6 trillion sounds big until one realizes that it is spread over 10 years. Johnson's tax cut constituted 1.6 percent of the GDP and 9 percent of federal revenues; the Bush tax cut is a paltry 1.2 percent of the GDP and 6.4 percent of federal income.) And even Dubya's anti-abortion executive order is nothing more than routine enforcement of a pre-existing federal law. These apoplectic seizures over "separation of church and state" and paroxysmal hysterics over "tax cuts for the rich" seem petty and silly when exposed to reality. As one reviewer of the sequel to "The Silence of the Lambs"

lamented, evil cannot be taken seriously unless there is a righteous alternative. Conceivably, the reverse principle applied to politics is also true: Conservatism cannot be taken seriously unless there is an insidious left-wing opposite. When Bush follows his fraternity instincts by blurring the line between Republicans and Democrats, he is depriving himself of an enemy.

The essential problem with being a moderate is one of strategy. When a politician compromises and accepts the terms of the opposing side, he lets them frame the debate. And whoever gets to frame the debate is predisposed to win the game. For example, Bush's defiant obsession with "compassionate conservatism" invited Hillary Clinton to ask what was so compassionate about Dick Cheney voting against school lunch programs. When Bush acceded to the prescription drugs for seniors mania, Al Gore cried foul: Bush's plan was too small. Instead the headlines should have read, "Bush calls Gore 'middle class' tax cut too small."

Bush apologists ranging from conservative pundits to my purported right wing friends (my informal focus group) clamor that the times are not ripe for undiluted conservatism. But this type of logic falls into the Robespierre school of leadership: "Let me go out into the streets and see which way the crowd is going, for I am their leader." By catering to the status quo Bush has defaulted on his potential for leadership. Ronald Reagan only ascended to office by challenging the status quo and conventional wisdom that, following the 1964 defeat of Barry Goldwater, and the 1976 primary defeat of Reagan himself, conservatives were unelectable. Likewise Newt Gingrich shattered expectations when he booted the half-century old gentrified Democratic majority out of the House.

The Bible has a draconian prescription for dealing with moderates. Revelation 3:16 declares: "So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of My mouth." At the very least, we can try to avert the impending sequel to Clinton I.

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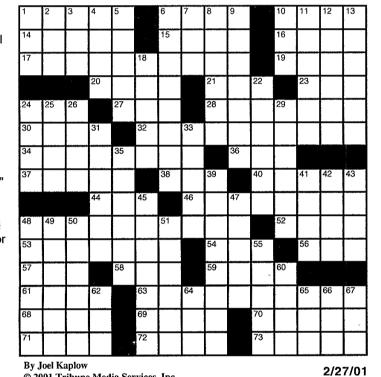
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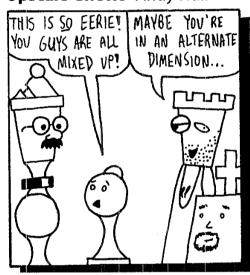


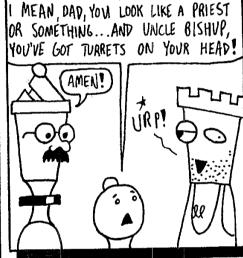


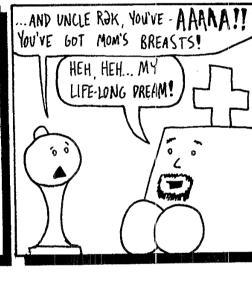




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FEBRUARY 27, 2001 TUESDAY EVENING 12:00 | 12:30 | 11:30 1:00 | 1:30 10:30 11:00 6:00 6:30 7:00 7:30 8:00 8:30 9:00 10:00 College Programming College Programming BTV 8 NHL Hockey: Phoenix Coyotes at Boston Bruins. (Live) @ College Basketball: Mass. at St. Joseph's NHL NBA Life X Games RPM 2N Motoworld RPM 2N ESPN2 20 Saturday Night Live KidsHall Daily *** Planes, Trains and Automobiles (1987) Battlebots Battlebots Daily Ben Stein COM Saturday Night Live Ben Stein 22 ** The Defenders: Choice of Evils (1998) ** Hollywood Confidential (1997, Drama) ER (In Stereo) @ Pretender (In Stereo) ** The Defenders: Taking the First (1998) 23 TNT 100 Greatest Albums 100 Greatest Albums 100 Greatest Albums 100 Greatest Albums Before Before Behind the Music 100 Greatest Albums Behind Pop-Up VH1 29 BET News |Tonight Midnight Love Comicview **BET Live** Ed Gordon Comicview 106 & Park: BET's Top Ten Live Journeys-Black **4** BET (Off Air) Time Goes Romance Masterpiece Theatre "Anna Karenina" @ Barney News Business Avventura 23 PBS Sports |Moneyline |Larry King Live Tonight Spin Worldview Moneyline Newshour Crossfire Blitzer The Point State of Union Tonight Spin CNN 23 NHL College Basketball: Tenn. at S.C. College Basketball: Mich. St. at Wis. Sportscenter @ Hoops Sportscenter @ **ESPN** 29 25 Lame (In Stereo) Real Andy Dick | Undressed | Reality Andy Dick |Real Real Fear (In Stereo) MTV Direct **1** Spin City Dr. Laura (In Stereo) I Spin City ★★ The Players Club (1998) LisaRaye. @ **Buffy Vampire** @ WB/UPN Judy Judy All-Family Carey Unhappily | Paid Prog. | (Off Air) 3rd Rock Hatchett Street '70s Show Titus 📧 State of Union News Arrest Simpsons 3rd Rock Frasier @ **FOX** Simpsons 32 NYPD Blue (N) @ Nightline Politically Entertain Paid Prog. Seinfeld @ Mole (N) (In Stereo) @ State of Union News 🕮 ABC News | Friends 🕮 Entertain News @ 63 ABC SCTV 🚾 Tonight Show (N) @ Late Night (In Stereo) State of Union Dateline (In Stereo) @ News 🕮 NBC News Extra 🕮 Frasier Sisters **NBC** News 🕮 Hollywood 33 Late Late Show (N) @ Late Show (In Stereo) News 00 Judging Amy (N) 🕮 News 🕮 CBS News | Fortune Jeopardy! JAG "Retreat, Hell" @ State of Union **CBS** News 🕮 **3** Marimar Abrázame Muy Fuerte Mi Destino Eres Tú Aquí y Ahora P. Impacto Noticiero No Atreves Blablazo Noticiero Locura de Amor UNIV

