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COMPUTER CLUSTERS SOON TO BE OBSOLETE? CIS plans to expand wireless networking to Faunce, the Rock, the SciLi, the Sheridan Center and possibly the Main Green. Here, Stephan Golas '00 works at a computer cluster in the CIT.

Amid security concerns, CIS rolls out plan for campus-wide wireless network coverage

BY AKSHAY KRISHNAN

By the end of the semester, students may be able to surf the Internet while sitting on the Main Green or studying in the Rock. It's all part of Computing and Information Services' plan to eventually convert the entire campus to a wireless network.

Faunce House, the Rock, the SciLi, the Sheridan Center and possibly the Main Green will go wireless as early as the end of April said Ellen Waite-Franzen, vice president for CIS.

This spring's upgrade is only a trial run for the entire campus, which will eventually be under a wireless "cloud," Waite-Franzen said. Students who own laptops and notebook computers with wireless cards will be able to access the Internet from these locations. Prices for wireless adapters start around \$50.

"When we set up a wireless network, there could be several problems and troubleshooting becomes harder," said Richard Boes, director of network technology for CIS.

The wireless setup will require additional security precautions by CIS, Boes said.

"With the wireless networking comes greater risks of

breaches into the University's network and a greater chance of cyber crime, so we will constantly monitor and improve the system even after its introduction," he said.

Boes said he expected more students to have wireless-enabled computers in the fall, when CIS plans to further expand coverage.

CIS is still choosing between vendors Cisco Systems and Proxim to implement the network, Boes said.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Carnegie Mellon University both have completely wireless campuses, Waite-Franzen said.

"Right now at Brown, there isn't a good enough reason for a student to have a laptop," Waite-Franzen said, citing a lack of places to connect a computer to the Internet. "By bringing wireless to the University it could really change things."

"Students could get together to work on a project at ... the Blue Room, and they will be able to get online and search for information," Waite-Franzen said.

Waite-Franzen spoke to the Undergraduate Council of

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Fall victim recovers from coma, moves to first floor room

BY MOMOKO HIROSE

Vowing to always live on the first floor, Adam Edwards '04 returned to Brown healthy and ready for class this semester marking his full recovery from a three-story fall last semester that left him in a coma.

Edwards fell out of his Olney House window on the morning of Sept. 14. Edwards said the Department of Public Safety concluded sleepwalking was probably the main cause of the fall.

Edwards said he does not recall any events of the night after going to bed. He said he sleepwalks about two or three nights a year, but that it has not been a huge problem for him.

Edwards had serious injuries from the incident and briefly slipped into a coma. He underwent surgery and therapy once a week for his wrist, and also wore a back

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Recent grad named Rhodes Scholar

BY JULIA ZUCKERMAN

Brown graduate Sasha Polakow-Suransky '01 was named a Rhodes Scholar for 2003, and plans to use the scholarship, which brings students from around the world to the University of Oxford, to pursue a doctorate in South African history.

Polakow-Suransky graduated magna cum laude with a double concentration in urban studies and history. At Brown, he won a Truman Scholarship and the Urban Studies Department Best Thesis prize, worked for Direct Action for Rights and Equality and was a managing editor of the College Hill Independent.

Professor of Political Science James Morone, his advisor, said Polakow-Suransky was "not just a terrific student, but really a terrific all-around person." He called Polakow-Suransky "a combination of a scholar and a reformer."

As a first-year in Morone's City Politics class, which regularly enrolls around 400 students, Polakow-Suransky stood out, Morone said.

Morone praised Polakow-Suransky's thesis, which dealt with the incarceration of children in urban America.

Polakow-Suransky balanced astute intellectual analysis with a genuine passion and concern for his subjects, Morone said.

While working on his thesis, Polakow-Suransky was "pure kinetic energy" — so full of thoughts and ideas that Morone often "felt like he didn't need me," he said.

Polakow-Suransky was a writing fellow at the American Prospect, a political magazine to which Morone contributes.

"He became a colleague very rapidly," Morone said. "We were tapping each other for ideas quite regularly."

Polakow-Suransky's interest in South Africa started

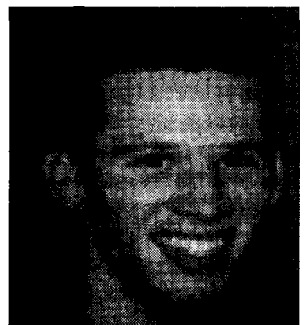


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Sasha Polakow-Suransky '01

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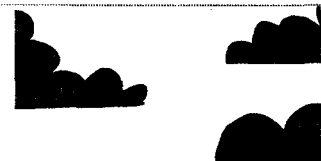
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partly cloudy
high 15
low 10

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WEATHER



TODAY
High 15
Low 10
partly cloudy



FRIDAY
High 22
Low 7
mostly sunny/wind



SATURDAY
High 24
Low 10
partly cloudy



SUNDAY
High 32
Low 18
few snow showers

GRAPHICS BY TED WU

CALENDAR

WORKSHOP — "Temping or Interning Your Way to a Career," Career Week Conference. Leung Gallery, 5:30 p.m.

WORKSHOP — "Working for the Long Haul: Avoiding Burnout in Nonprofit Work," Career Week Conference. Leung Gallery, 7 p.m.

WORKSHOP — "Visas and Culture Shock: Being an International in the U.S.," Career Week Conference. Leung Gallery, 4 p.m.

SEMINAR — "Plasticity at the Atomic Scale: First Principles Simulations of Isolated Dislocations in Metals," Chris Woodward, Northwestern University, Department of Engineering. Room 190, Barus & Holley, 3 p.m.

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 - 25 MacArthur's disclaimer
 - 27 Oyster breeding area
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 - 30 Linguistic suffix
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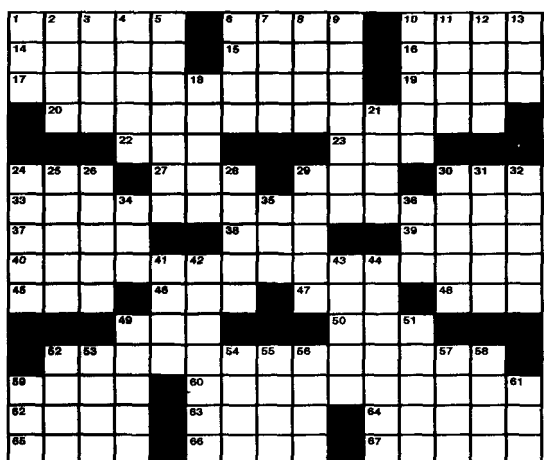
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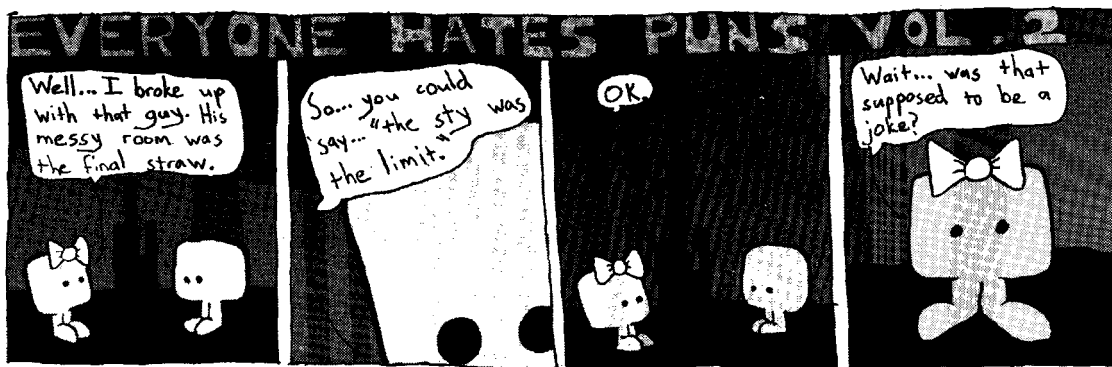
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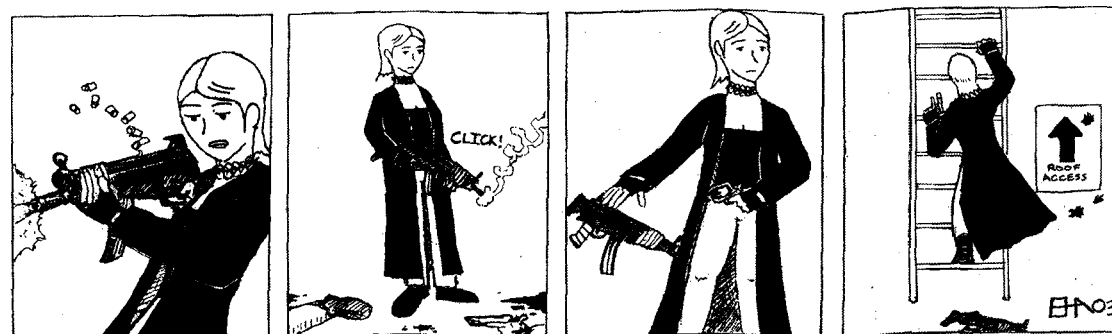
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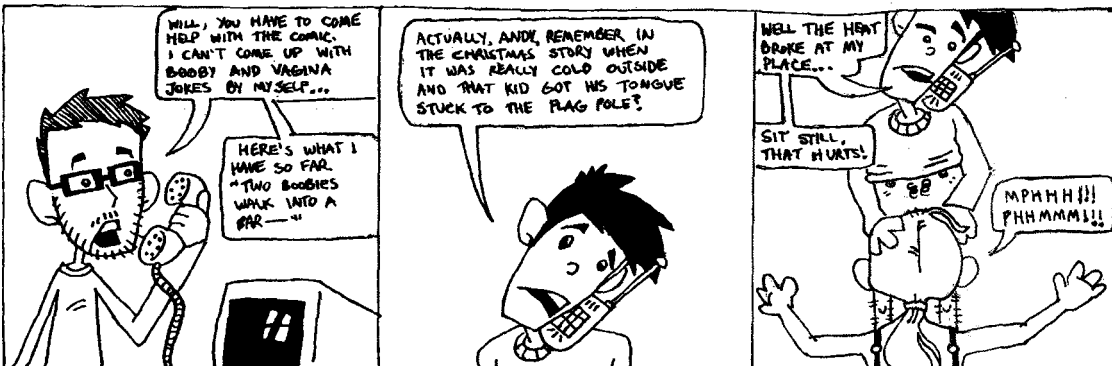
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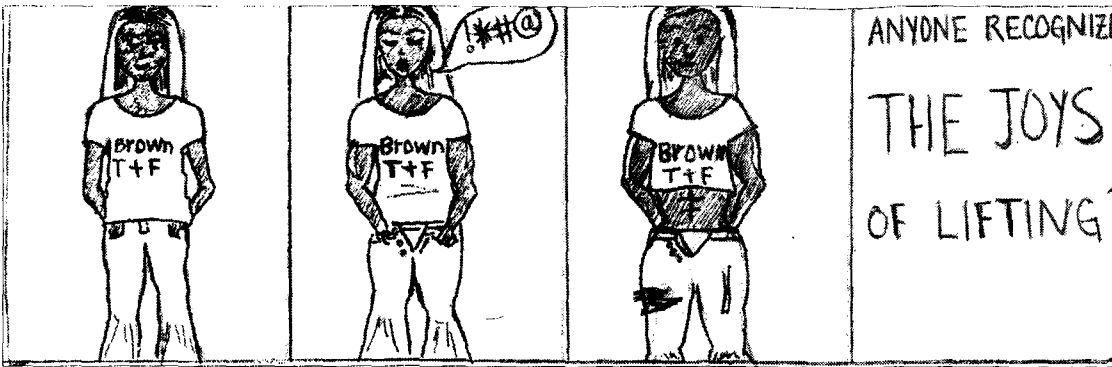
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For the Love Keely Tharp and Dominique Bosa-Edwards



MENUS

THE RATTY

LUNCH — Vegetarian Mexican Bean Soup, Lobster Bisque, Popcorn Chicken, Cheese Ravioli with Sauce, Sticky Rice, Zucchini, Magic Bars

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CAMPUS WATCH

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U. Penn increases anti-union effort

PHILADELPHIA (U-WIRE) — The University of Pennsylvania filed an appeal of the National Labor Relations Board's November ruling to allow graduate students in the proposed bargaining unit to hold union elections. The elections will be held next month, but the results will not be revealed until the NLRB has ruled on the administration's appeal.

In Penn's continuing effort to encourage the graduate student population to "think about it," an informational pamphlet appeared in many graduate students' mailboxes on Monday. A letter, "Grad Student Union Won't Serve the Academic Mission," written by Provost Robert Barchi and University President Judith Rodin, was also released via the Penn's Web-based Almanac on Tuesday.

A compilation of practical reasons for a graduate student to oppose unionization, the pamphlet cites statistics from The Chronicle of Higher Education that show nonunion graduate student stipends to be higher across the disciplines than those of their union counterparts. The pamphlet also noted that, should graduate students unionize, they will "only receive union-negotiated benefits during the semesters when they actually serve as TAs or RAs," creating an organizational nightmare as their status and benefits shift from semester to semester.

But the message from the president and provost made its case on more philosophical grounds.

"Strip away the legal arguments and political rhetoric and the unionization question really boils down to this: applying for a doctoral or master's degree program simply isn't the same as applying

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Supreme Court to hear arguments on affirmative action this spring

Brown Director of College Admission Michael Goldberger confirms the University's continued support of affirmative action

BY JULIA ZUCKERMAN

The Supreme Court will hear arguments April 1 in two cases that pose the greatest challenge to affirmative action since its inception in the 1970s. The justices are expected to rule by early summer on the constitutionality of the University of Michigan's affirmative action policies in admission to its undergraduate college and law school.

In the cases Gratz and Hamacher v. Bollinger and Grutter v. Bollinger the plaintiffs are white students who were denied admission to the law school and undergraduate program. Lee Bollinger, the president of Columbia University, was president of Michigan when the lawsuits were first filed. The plaintiffs claim that Michigan treated them unfairly because its affirmative action policy resulted in their being rejected while black and Latino applicants with similar or weaker academic records were admitted.

Director of College Admission Michael Goldberger confirmed Brown's continued support of affirmative action.

"Brown has always supported affirmative action. We believe in it, we practice it. We're supportive of the University of Michigan," he said.

"Educationally, socially, it is so important to learn from people who are different from you," Goldberger said. "Race is a very important part of that."

Michigan determines admission using a numerical system that awards points to applicants based on factors including their grade point average, standardized test scores, legacy status — and race.

Brown does not use a points system in making admission decisions. Goldberger said the difference is due to the size of the universities and of their applicant pools.

In a Dec. 15 opinions piece in the Washington Post, Michigan President Mary Sue Coleman defended the school's practice. "Now is not the time to turn back the clock on decades of progress in higher education. There is no effective substitute for the consideration of race as one of many factors in our admissions process," she wrote.

The Supreme Court previously decided on the issue of affirmative action in the 1978 Bakke case. The court ruled that universities could not use numerical quotas to achieve racial diversity, but endorsed the use of race as one among many factors in the admission process.

"A ruling overturning Bakke could result in the immediate re-segregation of our nation's top universities, both public and private," Coleman wrote.

President Bush criticized Michigan's policies in a televised address last week. "I strongly support diversity of all kinds, including racial diversity in higher education," he said. "But the method used by the University of Michigan to achieve this important goal is fundamentally flawed. At their core, the Michigan policies amount to a quota system that unfairly rewards or penalizes prospective students based solely on their race."

The Bush administration filed amicus curiae briefs to

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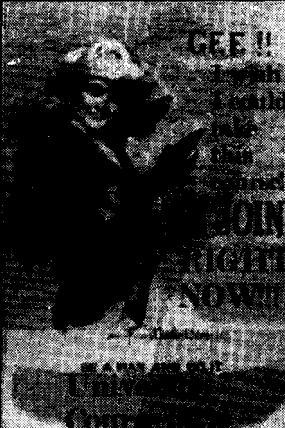
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Edwards

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brace for eight weeks.

"The past few weeks have been pretty tumultuous," Edwards said.

"I spent most of vacation resting up and recuperating and finishing up my doctor's appointments."

Edwards added that he had severe brain injury that may have affected his memory and cognition.

"I haven't seen how it's affected me yet," Edwards said. "But I think once classes start, and I need to do work and study for tests and all that, I'll know the effects it's had on me," Edwards said.

Edwards plans to remain in a single, but has moved from the

third floor to the first floor.

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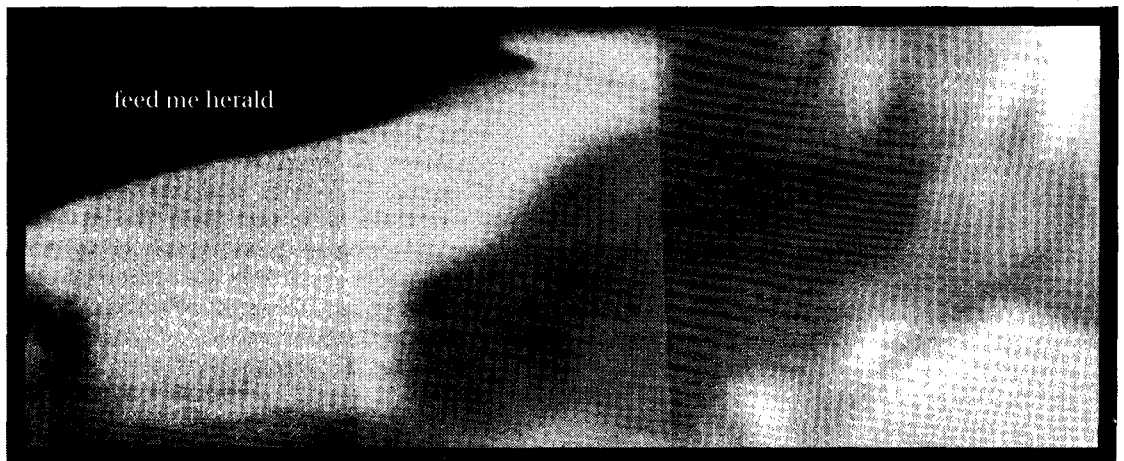
third floor to the first floor.

"I'm going to live on the first floor for the rest of my life to avoid it happening again," Edwards said. Edwards said that one of the main reasons why there was so much damage was because he landed on Olney's cement patio.

"I know that a student in

AEPI fell from the same height, but he fell into a bush and therefore didn't have the same injuries that I did," Edwards said.

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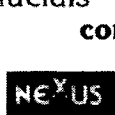
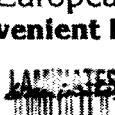
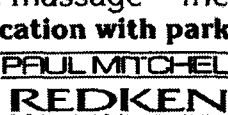
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Former Co-Director of Health Services Dr. Marlene Eckerle dies after two-year struggle with tumor

BY ELLEN WERNECKE

When she was diagnosed with an aggressive brain tumor in July 2000, Dr. Marlene Eckerle, former co-director of Health Services, reacted in a way some would call extraordinary.

"She faced it directly and asked about the odds. The answer was 5 percent of patients with this diagnosis live a year," said Robin Rose, former Dean of Student Life and a close friend of Eckerle's.

"Fifteen minutes later, her response was, 'Well, somebody has to be part of that 5 percent — why shouldn't it be me?'"

Eckerle, who died Jan. 15 at her home in Barrington, R.I., at the age of 51, had a way of being optimistic in the face of adverse situations, Rose said.

After the initial diagnosis, Eckerle was in treatment for glioblastoma until last December. During that time, she maintained her ties to the University — even guest lecturing on patient-doctor relations for the Medical School.

Eckerle continued to snorkel and hike, despite multiple

craniotomies that robbed her of her balance and her physical strength, Rose said. Rose described Eckerle as a "gifted physician" and "avid outdoors person."

"The fact that she lived two and a half years (after the diagnosis) was nothing short of miraculous," Rose said.

Dr. Belinda Johnson, director of Psychological Services, said Eckerle had a "wonderful manner that put students at ease."

"She was generous with everyone she interacted with," Johnson said.

Eckerle's triumph over her initial diagnosis had much to do with her "positive view of life," Johnson said.

"It wasn't denial," she said. "She knew it was a bad diagnosis. But she always tried to find the positive thing in any situation or any person." It was this characteristic that caused "large numbers of people" to offer their support in the wake of the diagnosis, she said.

"She inspired us again and again," Rose said in her eulogy Thursday at the Barrington Congregational Church, "by planting a perennial garden and trusting that she would have time to enjoy it, by learning to ride a bike again."

"When she planned this service, she told us that she wanted it to be a celebration of life," Rose said. "I am sure that she is here now. She never did want to miss a party."

Born in Indiana and educated at Thomas More College, the University of Kentucky and Harvard University, Eckerle came to Brown in 1982 as a Health Services staff member and became co-director of Health Services in 1990 while also serving as the supervising physician in the Adolescent Clinic at Rhode Island Hospital.

Eckerle was also an assistant professor of pediatrics at the Brown Medical School and was a PLME fellow from 1990 to 1994.

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Early decision applicants remain constant despite need-blind admission

BY SAMANTHA PLESSER

Brown's new need-blind admission policy did not drastically alter the number of applicants accepted early decision or the makeup of the class of 2007 so far, said Director of College Admission Michael Goldberger.

Early decision applicants who applied this fall were the first to be considered under a completely need-blind policy.

The number of early applicants decreased slightly this year, from 1,920 for the class of 2006 to 1,871 for 2007, he said.

Twenty-six percent of students who applied early this year were accepted — the same percentage that was accepted last year.

This percentage tied Brown with Columbia University for the third lowest acceptance rate in the Ivy League of the seven schools that reported this information.

Goldberger said the only notable shift this year was the slight increase in the number of minorities who applied and the percentage that were accepted.

But he said he would not disclose the specific ethnic and racial breakdown of the early admission pool before all members of the class of 2007 have been accepted.

Goldberger attributed the increase in minority applicants to President Simmons' new academic enrichment initiatives and the University's improved commitment to financial aid.

Admission officers were also pleased with the new initiatives, especially the need-blind policy, he said. Officers always felt some guilt in the past about having to turn people away for financial reasons, he added.

The need-blind policy has only helped strengthen the class, which is "a great group," Goldberger said. "The ones that we admitted were exceptional."

Acceptance rates for early decision apps.

BROWN	26%
COLUMBIA	26%
CORNELL	40.7%
DARTMOUTH	32%
HARVARD	15.1%
YALE	21.3%

princeton did not release early decision statistics

Student robbed

A female student was robbed Tuesday by four men just after 9 p.m. near the intersection of Thayer and Power streets. One of the men with his face concealed demanded money while another placed an unknown object at her neck. The student was not injured but had cash and a cell phone stolen. The Department of Public Safety recommended students use the shuttle and escort services which will run temporary service until Feb. 4 from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. Normal hours from 5 p.m. to 3 a.m. will resume Feb. 5.

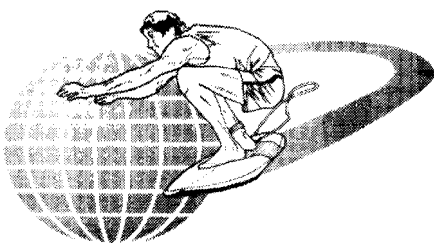
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both cases asking the court to declare Michigan's practices unconstitutional but did not ask the court to overturn the Bakke decision.
Secretary of State Colin Powell dissented, expressing support for affirmative action in a Sunday appearance on CBS's "Face the Nation."
Officials at Harvard and Princeton plan to file amicus curiae briefs with the Supreme Court in support of Michigan. Dartmouth is also considering filing a brief, The Dartmouth reported.
Associate Professor of Africana Studies James Campbell said the volume of applications to Michigan makes the points system necessary. "Inevitably, they're going to resort to formulae," he said.
The point system only represents the standardization of the same principles smaller universities use to guide their admission decisions, but "it's the formulae that makes it more conspicuous and easier to attack," he said.
Campbell predicted that the Supreme Court will rule against Michigan. "This may be the death of affirmative action," he said.
He categorized the Supreme Court case as one step in a movement to the right in U.S. politics that began in 1980. Affirmative action "was not particularly controversial" when it was first introduced, but has become increasingly controversial since 1980, he said.
Campbell said he rejected the argument that affirmative action gives undue consideration to race.
He said criticism of affirmative action fails to take into account evidence of continuing racism in the United States. "If you not only look historically, but look at the continuing reproduction of racial inequality today, you can make a powerful case for the value of affirmative action," he said.
"By any measure, the preferences given in college admissions to children of alumni, to athletes and to the scions of wealthy families are vastly greater than the preferences given to African Americans," but those preferences receive much less attention than those based on race, he said.

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for a job," Rodin and Barchi's letter said. "Graduate students come to Penn not to serve as employees but to become scholars in training under a world-class faculty."

Deputy Provost Peter Conn agreed that, far from approaching Penn as an employer, "graduate students apply to Penn for academic reasons — they are evaluated for admission on academic bases and they receive years of academic training."

"We don't build cars or produce fertilizer, though we may produce the research that leads to more fuel-efficient cars or more ecologically sensitive fertilizers," he said. "We don't generate profits or returns to shareholders. ... The returns we seek are in a better-educated, healthier society."

Many base their pro-unionization stance on the supposition that, as a "corporate university," Penn should be treated as a regular corporation and should in turn treat those on its payroll as regular employees.

"They're concerned about the bottom line," Graduate Employees Together-University of Pennsylvania co-chairwoman Elizabeth Williamson said.

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Jonathan Saidel, an outspoken supporter of GET-UP's efforts, suggested that not recognizing the University as a regular corporate entity with regular corporate responsibilities is to ignore the modern character of the University.

"The Penn that was originally envisioned by Benjamin Franklin was just a place of learning in a loosely-knit organization," he said. "Today it has ... more employees, I believe, than the city of Philadelphia."

"The critical point for students and faculty alike ... is that higher education is not an assembly line," Conn said, referencing Professor Emeritus Robert Rutman's letter to the Almanac that ran alongside the statement from Rodin and Barchi. "Each program and each student is dif-

ferent, especially in graduate education.

"I think that Professor Rutman has put it well in raising questions about whether the formalized policies and procedures of an outside union should be imposed on the flexible and largely faculty-driven endeavor of graduate scholarship."

Brown has also appealed a regional NLRB director's ruling allowing graduate students to hold union elections.

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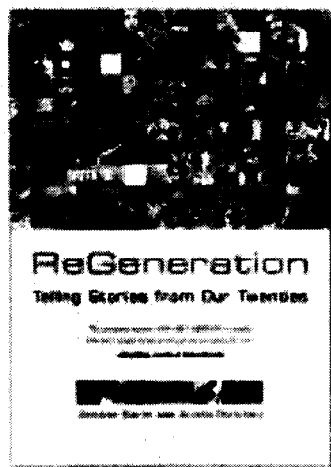
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Rhodes

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early. His parents were anti-apartheid activists who left South Africa before he was born, the Brown News Service reported. He spent time in South Africa during his youth as apartheid was end-

ing and democracy beginning.

The Rhodes Scholarship was established in 1902 through the will of Cecil Rhodes, the British financier and statesman who helped extend the British Empire's control in South Africa.

Polakow-Suransky told the Brown News Service he plans to pursue a career in international

journalism.

"He's going to be a public intellectual for his generation," said Morone, predicting that "we'll get to see and hear from him a lot."

Herald staff writer Julia Zuckerman '05 can be reached at jzuckerman@browndailyherald.com.

Saltman

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to note that my Washington Redskins were in Super Bowls in 1973, 1983 and 1993—but alas, all streaks must come to an end.

On the other hand, name the last team to win with a marginal offense. That one's a bit easier: the 2000 Baltimore Ravens, who didn't score an offensive touchdown in the month of October. The Giants of the late '80s and early '90s didn't exactly have offensive firepower and yet won two Super Bowls.

Talented offenses also get discouraged very quickly when they don't score, much like most Brown University males. Last season, the

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Rams were stymied by the Patriots in the first quarter and it took until the fourth quarter for their offense to finally get back into the game. Offenses don't take punches well, whereas defenses, who are generally more consistent, can give up a touchdown and then come back and play a great game. Just look at the NFC championship game. The Eagles scored in two plays after a long kick return. The Bucs responded by not giving up another touchdown the rest of the game. That's why I'm picking the

Bucs to win outright. So take the four points, because taking the underdog is always a good move, and bet your tuition on Tampa Bay, because the Bucs defense will slow down the Raiders enough to win the game. Final score will be 24-17, Bucs. Now that I've guaranteed a victory, I'm going to the sidelines to put on my man fur and do some Flex-All 454 commercials.

Jeff Saltman '03 hails from outside of Washington, D.C. He is a history and economics concentrator.

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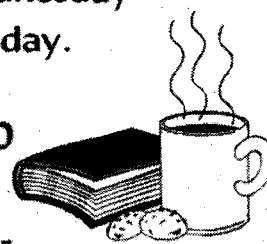
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Emre Demirel '05 said he is excited about the possibility of using his computer across campus.

"When I heard about the wire-

less network at Carnegie Mellon three years ago, I was hoping Brown would follow. I didn't think I would see it in my time at Brown, but I'm really glad."

"Cables and wires severely handicap technology," Demirel said.

Jonathan Hollinger '04.5, however, said the University is way behind other schools technologically.

"Currently there are not many

public Internet terminals around campus. There is no online registration system, et cetera," he said.

"I take a laptop to class and I think with wireless networking there will be more and more people who do so. Internet access across campus will be more than great," Hollinger said.

Herald staff writer Akshay Krishnan '04 can be reached at akrishnan@browndailyherald.com.



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STAFF EDITORIAL

Mr. Brown

Last night, Brown lost a man whose all-encompassing zeal for Brown, and especially Brown Athletics, earned him the enduring title “Mr. Brown” even when his passion to improve Brown’s athletics led to some missteps.

David Zucconi ’55, with his whirlwind energy and devotion to Brown’s sports teams, merely had to make an appearance at a football game to dispel alumni fears that school spirit was a relic of the past.

From his varsity days at Brown — on three teams, not counting the Brown Rugby Club, which he founded — to his 40-plus years of service to the University, Zucconi embodied all that was Brunonia, on the field and off.

Through his years in admission, development, and, after 1985, as executive director of the Brown Sports Foundation, Zucconi was the University’s ultimate ambassador and number one sports fan.

To meet him, friends say, was to understand what Brown sports contributed to campus. And under his fundraising leadership, Brown Athletics prospered.

But his drive to win nearly cost him everything. Zucconi’s involvement in the Sports Foundation took Brown Athletics’ image to new heights, but his transgressions nearly brought all he had worked for down in an instant. Recruiting violations by the Sports Foundation led to Ivy League sanctions that punished Zucconi perhaps doubly harshly — Brown football lost its chance to defend its 1999 league championship and Zucconi missed out on his opportunity to help them do it.

Humbled in responsibilities but not in spirit, Zucconi continued to offer his support from the sidelines and, through the Development Office, threw his tremendous energy into fundraising for the University.

Zucconi’s intentions were pure even if his methods were not. History will forget the lost 2000 season and the surrounding scandal. But Mr. Brown will live on in every Brown athlete’s triumph and in the minds of the thousands of people he has touched.

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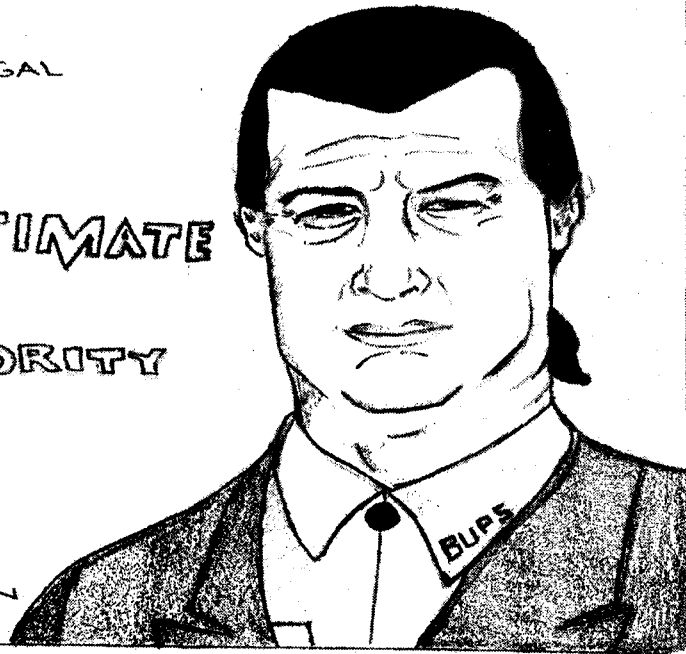
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LETTERS

Grade inflation rampant at Brown

To the Editor:

As a member of the College Curriculum Council, I am deeply troubled by one issue that has become prominent over the past several months. New data from the Office of Institutional Research, combined with the Grade Inflation Report released by Pacifica House last November and continuing work by the Sheridan Center, shows a startling trend at Brown: grade inflation has reached staggering proportions and shows no sign of stopping.

Grade inflation exists at all Ivies. However, according to data that is freely accessible from the Office of Institutional Research's 2002-2003 Annual Report (http://www.brown.edu/Administration/Institutional_Research/annrep/index.htm), Brown's inflation is especially severe. For instance, our average undergraduate grade point average (3.54) and the percentage of total letter grades — that is, ABC/NC marks — assigned in the A, range (58.1%) are astronomical. Even at Harvard, the national grade inflation pariah, these figures rest at 3.46 and 51%, respectively. Furthermore, in Brown humanities, the average GPA is 3.64, a ridiculous figure that makes the assignment of grades in some of these classes meaningless.

Grade inflation is defined as an increase of grades over time without a corresponding rise of academic achievement. From 1991-1992 to 2001-2002, average GPA and the number of A's, grades assigned have shown substantial increases at the undergraduate level (GPA jumped from 3.39 to 3.54, for instance). In order for these figures to not be a cause of concern, there must also have been substantial increases in student talent and performance over the same period of time. But this has not been the case. There are no benchmarks that prove that in a single decade, Brown students became so diligent and gifted that almost three out of every five grades by the end of that period were inevitably A's. Our admittance rate is a stable 16 to 17 percent, and entering freshmen have not shown

higher test scores, high school grades or other indicators that suggest that the Brown student population has grown significantly more talented or harder-working.

The basic conclusion is that many students are receiving widespread A's not because they may necessarily perform at an A level, but rather because of the insidious pressure upon faculty to award high grades regardless of performance. As a result, grade inflation distorts assessments of student achievement while robbing instructors of a fair mechanism to evaluate their pupils; it also sinks the institutional reputation of Brown even lower, even as we are ridiculed now for being the easy Ivy, as Sanders Kleinfeld made clear in his column (“Is a ‘plus’ and ‘minus’ grading system beneficial?” 1/22). Even more troubling is the manner in which grade inflation is treated in public discourse. Many students justify current grading practices by invoking the New Curriculum — for instance, pluses and minuses should not be added to transcripts because the New Curriculum forbids it; additionally, grade inflation is not an important issue because the New Curriculum de-emphasizes grades. However, ensconcing this defense in the language of the New Curriculum betrays the educational progressiveness that gave rise to curricular reform in the first place. The New Curriculum is an ideal, not an idol, and the enduring capacity for critical reflection should not be sacrificed on its altar.

I encourage the Faculty Executive Committee, Academic Priorities Committee and other governing bodies to examine grade inflation in more depth. I also invite President Simmons and both the Graduate and Undergraduate Council of Students to consider the issue. The lackadaisical attitude exhibited towards our grading system is intellectually repugnant and educationally problematic. Grade inflation is expanding, and, if this institution lacks the courage to combat it, then it deserves to see its national ranking plummet.

Sean L. Yom '03
 Jan. 23

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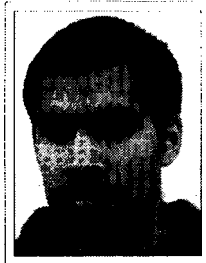
OPINIONS

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Americans have other things to worry about

Our focus on foreign policy plays into the hands of Republicans

THE WAR ON IRAQ IS AN IMPORTANT matter deserving of the media coverage it receives. But because it, along with North Korea, is a constant in our news cycle, TV-watching Americans are missing the magnitude of some of the Bush administration's other decisions. There's reason to believe this is by design: the computer disk that White House operative Karl Rove dropped in a park revealed that Republican candidates in last November's elections were told to keep the focus on Iraq and foreign policy. The strategy works at a time when Americans are concerned about national security. But here are a few other things to worry about:



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THE DEEP END

Big Brother

The administration has set up the Total Information Awareness Office in the Pentagon. Its job is to look through large databases of government records, financial accounts, travel documents, medical files and telephone and e-mail records to look for suspicious patterns. That means the Pentagon can snoop through your credit card statements and see whom you've been e-mailing. And if that weren't enough to get the country riled up (it hasn't been), President Bush appointed John Poindexter

to be the head of the project (which didn't spark much protest either.) This is the same Poindexter who was convicted of conspiracy, lying to Congress, defrauding the government and destroying evidence in the Iran-Contra scandal of the 1980s.

Poindexter's appointment, which qualifies as a sick joke, is actually a trend: There are two other Iran-Contra alumni in the Bush administration. Elliott Abrams, who pleaded guilty to withholding information from Congress in 1987, is senior director for Near East and North African affairs — including the Middle East — at the White House. Otto Reich, Special Envoy to the Western Hemisphere in the State Department, was responsible for an illegal pro-Contra propaganda campaign in Nicaragua. (Well, at least they didn't lie about sex.)

Torture

CIA agents have been conducting unsavory interrogations of prisoners in Afghanistan. According to the Washington Post, prisoners who don't cooperate are "sometimes kept standing or kneeling for hours, in black hoods or spray-painted goggles. ... At times they are held in awkward, painful positions and deprived of sleep with a 24-hour bombardment of lights." Even more troubling are reports that the CIA is handing over prisoners to other countries with a list of questions

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they'd like answered. These countries, which include Turkey, Morocco and Jordan, have fewer qualms about torturing their prisoners and State Department reports criticize them for it.

Race

Not long after Trent Lott had to step down as Senate majority leader for expressing his nostalgia for segregation, President Bush re-nominated Lott's friend Rep. Charles Pickering for a federal appellate court. Pickering's nomination was defeated last year after Democrats raised questions about his civil rights record. He has a history of opposing interracial marriage and sought to reduce the sentence of a southerner convicted of cross burning on the property of an interracial couple. On Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the president said, "there is still work to do" on race in America. Is having Mr. Pickering in an appeals court part of this work?

Oil Companies

Alas, I can't resist throwing in something about Iraq. MSNBC revealed last

week that big oil companies are already in discussions with the Bush administration about contracts in a post-Saddam Iraq. This is truly outrageous for an administration that pays so much lip service to our purported aims of enhancing security and furthering human rights in the Middle East. It lends credence to the idea that we're fighting this war for the wrong reasons, and confirms many of our suspicions. As if unilaterally invading a sovereign country without provocation isn't a dangerous enough precedent, we're off to install a regime that will help American companies snatch up all the oil contracts before the French, Russian and Chinese companies do.

Like most other liberals, I'm appalled at Bush's "economic stimulus plan," his anti-environment policies, his failure to prosecute corporate criminals and his anti-affirmative action stance, among other things. But for Bush, no worries right now. Fifty-eight percent of America approves.

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Who's afraid of the Big Bad Lott?

Senator Lott's recent resignation offers an opportunity for politicians to unite against our history of racism

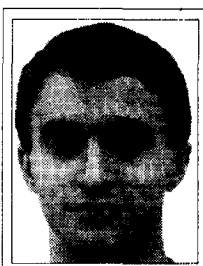
THE MOST RECENT DEBACLE INVOLVING a Southern conservative embarrassing both himself and the U.S. Congress he serves illuminated a few points worth noticing about the approaching social and cultural environment of the United States.

The details are familiar enough by now, but to recap: At a 100th birthday party for the barely functional and generally repugnant former Sen. Strom Thurmond, Sen. Trent Lott, then purported successor to the Senate majority leadership, reminisced proudly about his state's backing of Thurmond's segregationist Dixiecrats against Harry Truman in 1948. Lott stated, "If the rest of the country had followed our lead, we wouldn't have had all these problems over all these years, either."

Which "problems," exactly? Lott spokespeople declined to comment, and, in his craven, month-long retreat that followed, he never clarified whether he meant the usual bogeymen lurking under the rhetoric of the Reaganites — crack mothers on welfare, carjackers, Black Panthers, etc. — or whether he was actually brazen enough to define the sharing of water fountains and swimming pools by blacks and whites as social problems, at least earning him points for sheer idiot audacity. Instead, he apologized in a vein of slithery mendacity that would make his former bete noir Bill Clinton proud. He even went so far as to

suddenly support affirmative action, which I suppose is one modern development whose "problem" status we no longer need worry about.

What ensued was alternately heartening and depressing. The near-immediate outpouring of scorn from conservative quarters — William Kristol, The National Review, Andrew Sullivan and others — mixed political pragmatism with a genuine outrage that such open and overt racism could be the chief legislative face of their party. They made clear in no uncertain terms that one was either with them or with the evildoers. This reaction was welcome, and does whoever happens to be with them proud. The same cannot quite be said for either the White House or the white Democratic



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BORN TO RUN

establishment. I am opposed to much of what comes out of the Bush administration, but I don't count either racial intolerance or race-baiting as particular faults of theirs. All indications from inside were that the Lott crisis was seen more as a political problem than a moral or philosophical one — too bad, but understandable. At least they weren't acting like Tom Daschle, who evidently didn't even see Lott's disgusting abdication of every decent American value as a political opportunity, let alone a moral imperative.

So, an ambivalent scorecard, whose electoral import will depend mostly on what happens to Iraq and the economy and when. But there is a larger issue at work here, one avoided even by many of Lott's staunchest detractors, and it is arguably of a greater gravity than even nostalgia for Jim

Crow, nauseating as that is. Lott's apology for Thurmond and the Dixiecrats points back to a barely concealed regard for Dixie itself — that is, Jefferson Davis' Confederacy — that calls into question not only what America's values should be, but, indeed, the existence of America itself.

In the past year or so, Attorney General John Ashcroft has made himself a rather obvious punching bag for leftists and civil libertarians by clumsily suggesting, more or less, that the Sept. 11 attacks necessitated setting up a Brezhnev-lite security state, with spying mailmen, electronic eyes and the like. This is ironic, as when his name first poisoned the inchoate Bush administration, Ashcroft was a beast of quite the opposite variety. Nearly two years ago I wrote a column charging that he had not answered (actually, had not even been asked) crucial questions about his relationship with the Council of Conservative Citizens (CCC). This white supremacist group may have lobbied Ashcroft for the release of a Missouri dentist convicted of conspiring to murder the FBI agents investigating him, just days before Ashcroft's imminent appointment.

CCC connections to impeachment crusaders Bob Barr and Tom DeLay had surfaced briefly in 1998 and now, lo and behold, we hear that Lott not only spoke before them, he apparently considered them co-religionists: "The people in this room stand for the right principles and the right philosophy," he told a congregation in 1992, one of those "right principles" being ending the looming impurity of American blood due to miscegenation. And again, as with the Southern Partisan magazine, we get the sick nostalgia for the Confederacy, involving not a mere ignorant waving of the flag but an outright endorsement of Jefferson Davis as

the right kind of politician.

That there is a certain romance surrounding the rag-tag Confederate soldiers who outwitted a much larger and better equipped northern army for longer than anyone should have expected is uncomfortable, but not entirely beyond the pale. War makes for strange emotions, and I recognize, for example, that the Soviet troops who stood firm at (then) Stalingrad and Leningrad can be heroes, even if they also may have helped implement Stalin's death machine before and after. But romance for the Confederacy itself is romance for sedition, treason and evil chattel slavery, and no one should let southerners of any political persuasion forget that. Most of all, the fact that some of those who rattled their sabers about proper displays of patriotism since Sept. 11 were the same who excused the grotesque spectacle of blacks having to watch the ol' stars and bars fly above their statehouses is not just nonsensical, it's insulting.

The Republicans have more to worry about than one bad apple. Their greatest president freed the slaves and held the Union together so that it could one day redress past wrongs and installing a true regime of human freedom; now there are those among them who seem to think that this, and not only the Dixiecrat loss in 1948, was a mistake. The phrase "anti-Americanism" gets bandied about a lot these days. Well, the rebels who fired on Fort Sumter and pressed into Pennsylvania were its very essence, and every decent and patriotic American should spit upon their hateful and treasonous memory. And if this is not said by the entire political culture, irrespective of party, then Trent Lott will not be the only one who has much to atone for.

Alex Schulman '03 led his fearsome cavalry through Georgia last summer during a bloodcurdling Civil War reenactment.

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Will defense win the 2003 Super Bowl?

IF YOU'VE LISTENED TO ALL THE TALK coming out of lovely San Diego this week, you'd think that Bucs' coach Jon Gruden and Raiders' coach Bill Callahan were actually playing the game on the field. I have heard way too many stories on ESPN about

how Gruden knows his old team and whether the Bucs got the raw end of the deal when they traded two first round draft picks, two second round picks and \$8 million for

Gruden. The money went towards Raiders' owner Al Davis' ever-growing collection of those cheap Elvis-imitation

white jumpsuits he likes to wear. With all this noise about the coaches and the owners, the attention has really been diverted from where it should be: on the players and the game itself.

As much as a coach has an effect on a team, he is not on the field and ultimately doesn't make or botch plays in the game. This week of pre-Super Bowl hoopla — which is an actual word despite my doubts — has had little analysis of the actual game and frankly much ado about nothing. Yes, Gruden was the Raiders' coach last week. Yes, some players remain bitter at his sudden departure from the lovely confines of "The Black Hole" in the Oakland Coliseum.

This game is a classic match-up and should finally decide what wins a championship, offense or defense. Oakland has the number one offense in the league and Tampa Bay has the top defense. While their counterparts, the Oakland defense and the Tampa offense, aren't nearly as strong, they may decide the game. People have long debated what wins championships. The classical Lombardian thinkers believe that a strong defense and a mistake-free offense make a win. This is the more conservative view, but it has worked for many a coach. From Lombardi in the '50s and '60s to Parcells in the '80s and '90s, the strong defense and mistake-free offense side has a good case.

In recent years, however, the emphasis has shifted from Lombardi's famed sweep running play to the 60-yard bombs coming from the arm of great quarterbacks like Joe Montana, Brett Favre and the formerly great — but soon to be working at your local 7-11 — Kurt Warner. Bill Walsh really revolutionized the entire game of football, and don't worry: he'll tell you about it whenever he gets the chance. He made offense pass-based and paved the way for a team like the Raiders that throws the ball over 40 times a game. Jerry Rice was on both Walsh's 49ers and today's Raiders. Somehow I don't think that's just a coincidence.

So what's the final answer? What does, in fact, win championships? Of course, I'm going to tell you the absolute unequivocal answer. It's defense. This is proven by history and by just thinking about it. Try to name the last Super Bowl winner that had a marginal defense. Hard, isn't it? This is not necessarily a defense that is overshadowed by their offense like the '99 Rams who also had a top 10 defense. The last team I can think of is the 1987 Washington Redskins, who probably shouldn't have made the playoffs, but got hot and then crushed the Broncos in the Super Bowl. On a side note, it's my sad duty

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With 4-0 shutout, men's ice hockey extends winning streak to four games

BY BRETT ZARDA

The Bears matched their longest winning streak of the year with their fourth victory following a powerful performance against Iona on Tuesday night.

Undefeated in its last six outings, Brown posted its fourth shutout as a team in a 4-0 thrashing. In an impressive collegiate debut, Scott Rowan '05 proved effective in guarding the net for the Bears. Rowan recorded 19 saves in his first appearance for Bruno in front of more than 900 fans at Meehan Auditorium.

The Bears jumped out quickly with two power-play goals in the first period by Scott Ford '04 and Les Haggett '05 providing ample cushion for Rowan to ensure a victory.

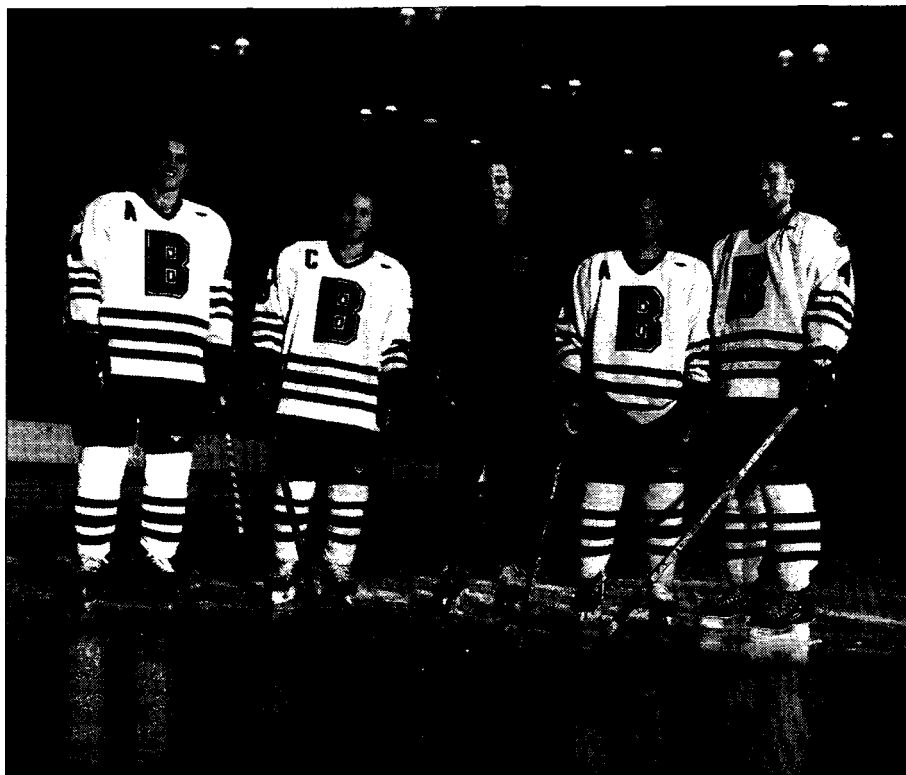
A third goal just minutes into the second period stretched the lead even further and gave Keith Kirley '03 his seventh goal of the season. The scoring ended later that period with yet another power-play goal for Haggett.

Tuesday's game marks the second consecutive game in which the Bears converted on better than 50 percent of their bonus opportunities. In the past two victories Bruno has scored on seven of 10 power-play chances. Distributing the puck and earning assists in the Iona victory were Paul Esdale '03, Brent Robinson '04, Kirley and Ford.

The win over Iona came on the heels of a Jan. 18 drumming of Holy Cross. Special teams were the difference, as the men's ice hockey team (8-6-2) used four power-play goals and killed all three of the Crusaders extra-man opportunities to defeat Holy Cross (10-11-0) 4-2 in an evening game at Meehan Auditorium.

The Crusaders took a 1-0 lead at 13:29 of the first period, scoring just three seconds after a power-play opportunity had expired.

Brown knotted the contest at 1-1 just



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Scott Rowan '05 made 19 saves against Iona to record the first shutout of his career.

1:52 later as leading scorer Haggett tallied a power-play goal for the Bears at 15:21 into the first period. Ford and Robinson each assisted on the goal, as the two teams headed into the first intermission tied at one.

The Bears increased their lead to 4-1 on the strength of three power-play goals, heading into the final period. Robinson notched the first at 10:10 of the second, with Haggett and senior Esdale assisting. Just 3:21 later, Esdale tallied on the man-advantage with Ford and senior Kirley each notching assists. The final goal, which came at 16:20 into the period, was scored by Vince Macri '04 and was assisted

by Robinson and Haggett. With Macri's goal, the Bears remained perfect on the power play heading into the third.

Holy Cross changed goalies to start the third, and the Bears were unable to solve freshman Ben Conway, who was playing in his first collegiate game. The Crusaders added a short-handed tally at 8:58 of the final period for the final goal of the night. But when the buzzer sounded, the Bears had notched a 4-2 victory.

The Bears will next lace up against Merrimack this Saturday, Jan. 25, followed by the 17th annual Mayor's Cup on Tuesday versus Providence.

— With reports from Sports Information

For recruiters, NCAA football starts now

(The Sporting News) — No passes will be thrown nor tackles made in the next few weeks, but these are among the most important weeks of the college football year. This is when the recruiting season hits the home stretch.

A coach can X and O the night away, but he won't win big without great talent. Many prospects already have committed, but the biggest fish typically wait until signing day — Feb. 5 this year — to announce their college choice. In fact, linebacker Ernie Sims of North Florida Christian High in Tallahassee, the nation's top player according to Rivals100.com, still is shopping around.

Schools look for any edge to secure a pledge. The most tangible selling points are facilities. For instance, Penn State's recent \$93 million expansion of Beaver Stadium pushed capacity to 107,282 — and included a new recruiting lounge. Coaches brag about shag carpet in locker rooms and pool tables and PlayStations in players lounges. They even walk players over to the academic center. But how much of all this really matters to a kid? It's time to reveal the greatest myths and truths of the recruiting wars.

What's a myth:

You have to beat your rival on the field. It absolutely matters to have a winning program, but how many times have you heard someone claim the winner of a certain game will gain a big edge in recruiting battles? "Whether we win or lose the Iron Bowl, we still have as good a chance of get-

ting a guy as Alabama," says Auburn Coach Tommy Tuberville. "I can't think of many times, if ever, the outcome of a game has swayed a recruit one way or another."

You must have gleaming facilities. No doubt, 100,000-seat stadiums and hangar-sized weight rooms have a big wow factor. But gorgeous facilities are icing on the cake when recruits get down to making a college choice.

For instance, during Miami's rise in the 1980s, the school had some of the worst facilities in the nation. It still managed to attract great talent for other reasons. "(Ex-Hurricanes Coach) Jimmy Johnson always told us that winning will take care of recruiting," says Tuberville, a Miami assistant from 1986-93.

You need to win your bowl game. Getting to a bowl is enough — as long as you don't get blown out.

Academics matter. Recruits always say the right things about academics being an important part of their decision. But certainly, that isn't always the case.

Tradition is important. Have you talked to a high school kid lately? His idea of history was last week's episode of Fear Factor. Galloping ghosts don't matter.

What matters:

Coaching philosophy. A player has to think there's a place for him to succeed and display his talents. He won't go to a school if he doesn't think he'll fit its offensive or defensive scheme. "An option quarterback

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isn't going to come here," says Tuberville, who coaches at a school that features a traditional passing game.

Playing time. Most high school stars think they can play as freshmen. And it's a coach's job to sell a kid on the idea he has a legit chance to play immediately, which is more likely in the 85-scholarship era than ever before. It's also important to a prospect to know his position isn't being over-recruited.

Competing for championships. Winning matters to youngsters, and they want to go to a place where they can battle for a conference's top spot each year.

TV exposure. Winning leads to attention, which translates into TV coverage. And what 18-year-old isn't going to like the idea of being beamed across the national airwaves? "Telling a kid he can flip on a TV and watch his highlights each Saturday night is a powerful thing," says recruiting analyst Tom Lemming.