

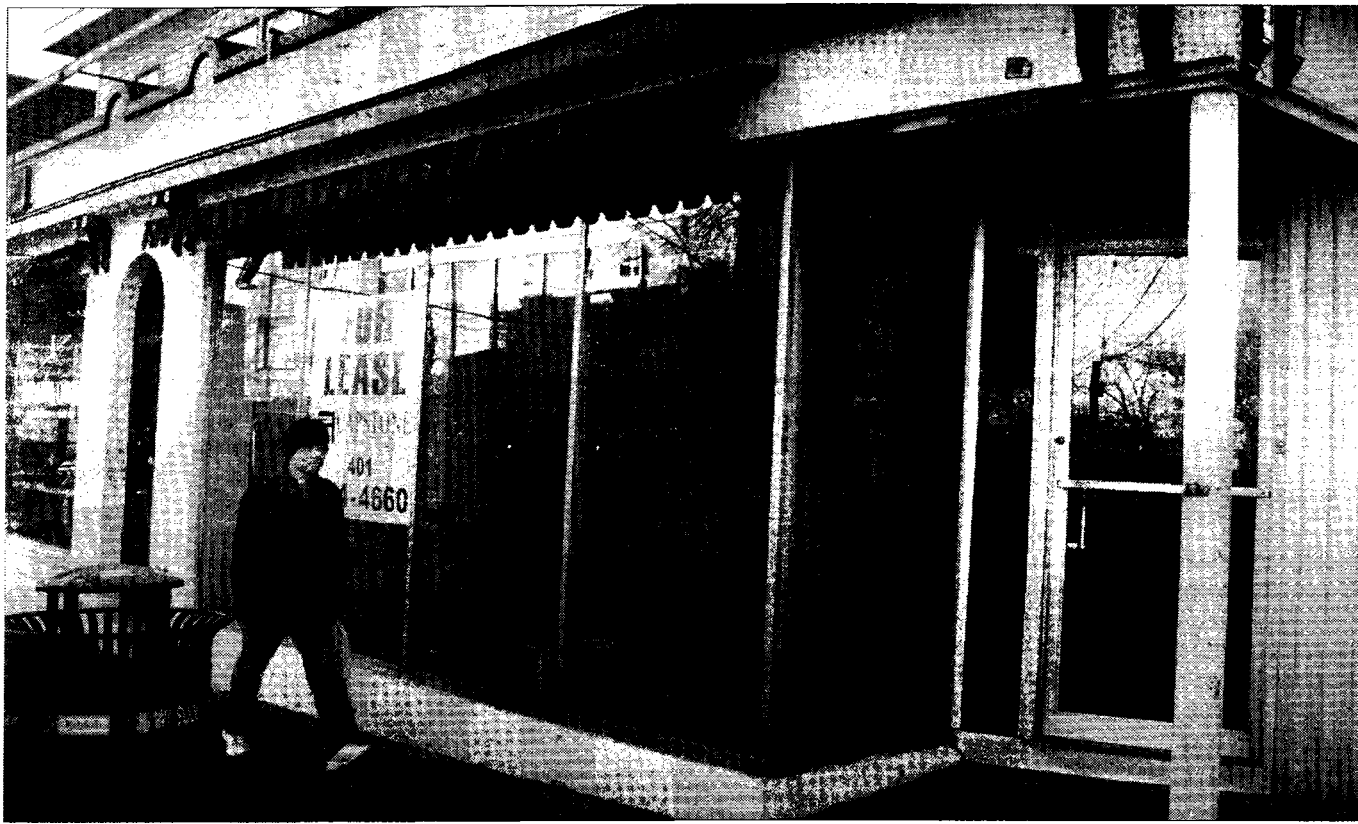
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Once a busy flower shop, Clarke's is one of many stores on Thayer Street forced to shut its doors in recent months.

Thayer Street businesses struggle with economy

BY JESSICA WEISBERG

A late night phone call to Ronzio's has long been the obvious solution for hungry students with a craving for pizza. Or at least it used to be.

Ronzio's is one of several stores on Thayer Street that has recently closed. Other Thayer Street phantoms include Atomic Threads, Ten Thousand Villages and Clarke Flower Shop.

"There are definitely more empty stores," said Stephen Berk, owner of Berk's Shoes and former head of the now-defunct Thayer Street Business Association. "Thayer is starting to look as empty as Hope Street."

Thayer Street has not been excluded from the weak economy affecting retailers nationwide, Berk said. Yet other factors have possibly exacerbated already declining business patterns.

The opening of Providence Place Mall a little over three years ago led former Thayer Street customers to travel downtown to do their shopping. The mall provides a convenient commercial venue, allowing for one-stop shopping and accessible parking, Berk said.

"My customers often ask me, 'Why should I come here? There's no parking,'" Berk said.

Berk, and other owners of successful

stores on Thayer Street, attribute recent commercial failures to the specific situation of each store or restaurant.

Atomic Threads opened at the end of the summer, and offered similar merchandise to that of its neighbor Foreign Affair, a Thayer Street landmark since 1993, and Urban Outfitters, Berk said.

Ronzio's faced competition from Antonio's and Via Via.

The Thayer Street Business Association disbanded a little less than a year ago because of high dues for members, Berk said. Oop! used to be

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Cicilline '83 urges crowd to "think big"

BY ZACH BARTER

Providence Mayor David Cicilline '83 only needed two words to sum up his career advice to nearly 400 students and alumni at Career Week's networking luncheon Saturday afternoon — think big.

"It's really important that as you think of careers, you think big — that you think of the most impact you can have on the world," Cicilline said.

Cicilline, who worked as a public defender, civil rights lawyer and state representative before being elected mayor last year, said he made the jump from law to public service after deciding that public service offered him the best opportunity to effect positive change in the community.

"The things that people care the most about — about public schools, about cleaning up the streets, about housing that's affordable — are all the responsibilities of the mayor," he said.

Cicilline advised students to work within the system to improve people's lives rather than just criticizing the status quo.

"I think there has to come a time in our lives where we all have to recognize that we can take control of the government," he said. "We can in fact run for office, run for school board and town council and mayor, so that we in fact are in position to make decisions that reflect our vision of what the world should be."

Cicilline, who helped organize the Brown College Democrats along with classmates John F. Kennedy Jr. '83 and William Mondale '85, spoke of how his Brown experience contributed to his career development. He said Brown's two most valuable resources are its creative and supportive academic environment and the richness and diversity of its

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Water main break on Friday temporarily closes Rock

BY JULIETTE WALLACK

The Rock reopened Saturday morning after a water main break forced it to close unexpectedly Friday afternoon.

The break occurred in the basement of the building at about 4:30 p.m. Friday, said equipment manager Victor Ayala.

By 6:30 p.m., the Rock had closed for the evening. A sign on the front door instructed visitors to call an on-campus number for more information, and the recorded message that picked up said the Rock was closed due to a water main break and was expected to open at 9 a.m. Saturday. The library opened as usual Saturday, and there was no visible damage.

According to Brian Bockelman GS, who

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Arabic studies program enters period of growth with two new faculty members

BY CRYSTAL Z.Y. NG

After losing three lecturers in three years, the Arabic studies language program received a boost this academic year with the hiring of two new faculty members.

Lecturer Mirena Christoff and Teaching Associate Emad El-Din Rushdie joined the program after Lecturer Jocelyn Sharlet accepted a tenure track position at Dartmouth College last spring. Christoff and Rushdie teach three levels of Arabic to about 60 students.

"When I came here, there was almost nothing," said Christoff, who held a position at the University of California at Los Angeles, whose Near Eastern Studies program has several dozen affiliated faculty.

Christoff added that she has been working to build a collection of materials, including dictionaries, literature, videos and subscriptions to Arabic periodicals.

Christoff said she cherishes the chance to develop Brown's program. "I like having this challenge very much. It's not easy ...

but you can feel that you're building something new, something in the future," she said, adding that faculty have been extremely supportive of her and her efforts to improve the program.

William Crossgrove, associate dean of Faculty, said the University received more than 100 applications for the positions, many from Arabic-speaking countries. The search committee, which included Beth Bauer, director of the Center for Language Studies, the Arabic program's new home, started a rigorous selection process after receiving Sharlet's resignation.

Crossgrove said that while the Department of Comparative Literature, the program's previous home, supported Sharlet's request for a tenured position, the University requires a lengthy review process.

"Some faculty members have argued that Arabic should be tenured because it's different from teaching a European lan-

guage, but we so far haven't been willing to go that far," he said.

Most language classes at Brown are taught by lecturers, who teach two more classes a year than professors. But with many of Brown's peers able to offer tenured positions within established Middle Eastern studies departments, Brown has had trouble retaining lecturers from year to year, Dean of the College Paul Armstrong told The Herald last March.

"There's a fair amount of turnover in the people teaching (Arabic) because we've been hiring people as lecturers," Crossgrove said. He added that the University is unlikely to change the length of the process.

Christoff said she came to Brown "with the hope to build a serious Arabic program at Brown, a strong program." She said teaching Arabic is especially relevant now, when more students are interested in the

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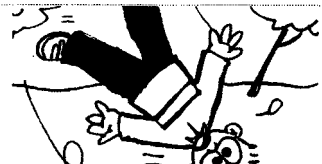
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snow showers/wind
high 17
low -2

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WEATHER

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High 17 Low -2	High 25 Low 14	High 35 Low 13	High 30 Low 15
snow showers/wind	partly cloudy	rain/snow showers	partly cloudy

GRAPHICS BY TED WU

CALENDAR

LECTURE — "A Conversation with Martin Scorsese," Creative Arts Council. Salomon Center, 4:30 p.m.

FORUM — "Direction, Deception, Devotion: The Words Physicians Use," Stanley Aronson, M.D. Brown Medical School, RSVP Requested. Andrews Dining Hall, 5:30 p.m.

SEMINAR — "Grading and Evaluation: How Well are your Students Learning?," Luther Spoehr, Sheridan Center for Teaching. Carmichael Auditorium, 89 Waterman St., 5 p.m.

LECTURE — "Anything the Spirit Can Do, the Son Can Do Better? A Problem in 20th Century Christian Discourse," Eugene Rogers, Princeton University, Department of Religious Studies. Room 101, Wilson Hall, 7:30 p.m.

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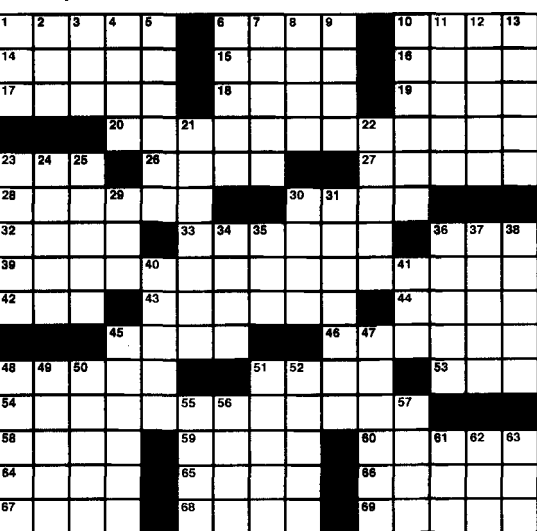
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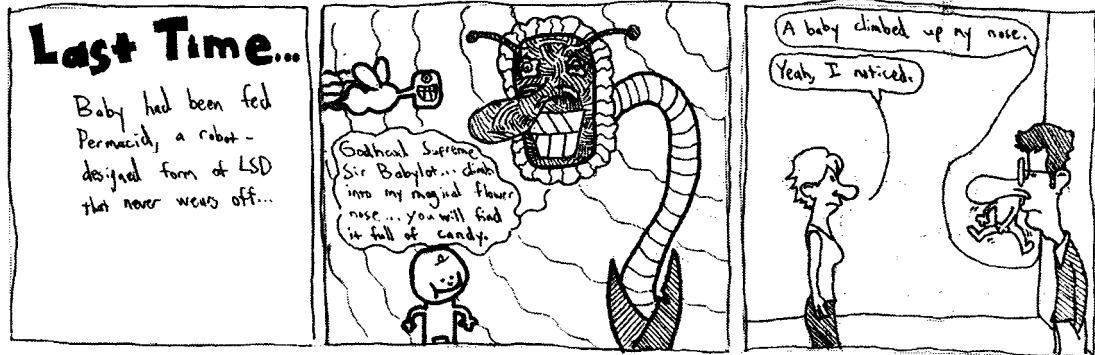
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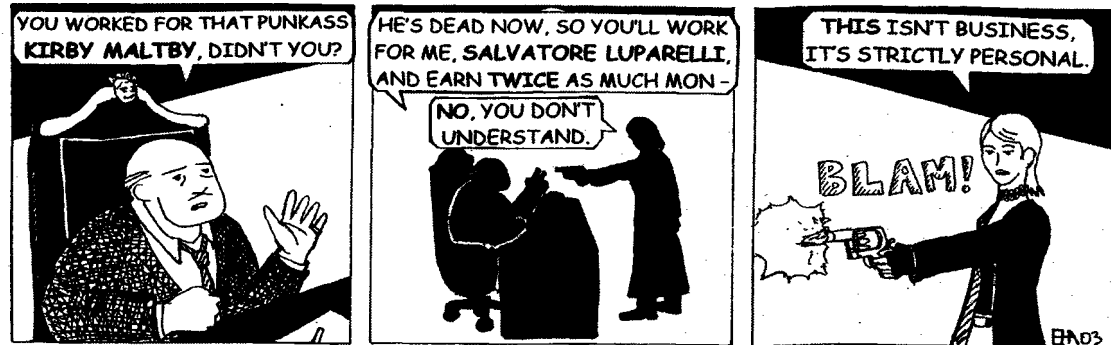
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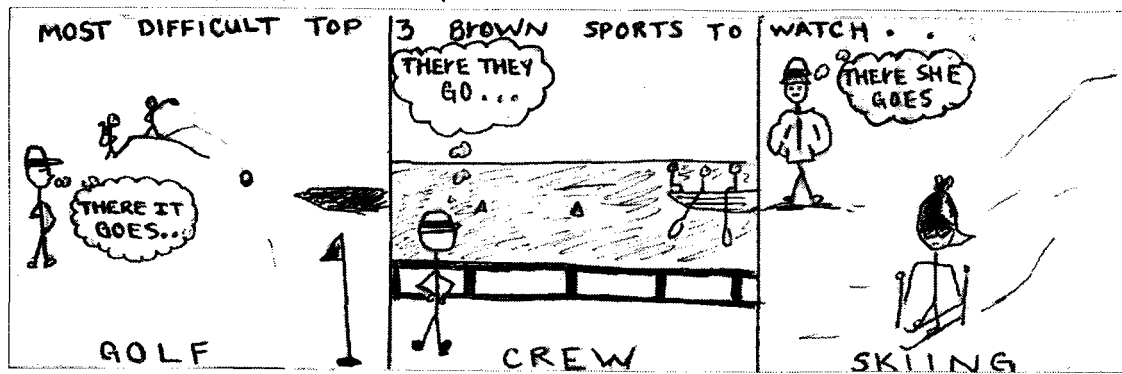
Coup de Grace Grace Farris



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ARTS & CULTURE

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Preeminent Polish artist displays work in Bell Gallery

Controversial artist Katarzyna Kozyra examines the interplay of bathers in "Bathhouses" video installation

BY STEFAN TALMAN

"Katarzyna Kozyra: Bathhouses," an exhibit of the video installation work of one of Poland's preeminent contemporary artists, is currently showing in the David Winton Bell Gallery.

The exhibition is divided in two by the construction of a wall cutting across the gallery; the first half of the gallery features Kozyra's first work in the series, "Bathhouse" (1997), the second half, her completion of the theme in "Men's Bathhouse" (1999). Each section features video footage of nude, or partially nude, older men and women relaxing in a bathhouse.

Kozyra emerged onto the Polish contemporary art scene as an agent provocateur in 1993 with the inclusion of her piece, "Animal Pyramid," in a national exhibition. The work represents a well-known scene from Polish folklore in which a group of animals traveling together stand atop one another in pyramid formation, scaring off thieves. Kozyra's pyramid was composed entirely of killed and stuffed animals.

With the work, Kozyra included an explanation of her production process, describing how she witnessed the entire killing and skinning. It included a picture of the skinned horse used for the base of the pyramid.

Criticized widely for killing animals for art, discussion of the work occupied space within major publications across Poland for months. For the first time on such a large scale, Kozyra's work catapulted a piece of contemporary art into the forefront of Polish thought. Kozyra, however, argued that this inclusion of material served not to inflame, but rather to show a real part of everyday life — in this case that life and death are not opposed, but linked — to show the world as it is.

In Kozyra's "Bathhouses," the viewer was forced to divide the exhibition into two conceptual spaces: the aesthetic and the ideological.

The video panels picturing Kozyra's two bathhouses are arranged in a formation reflecting the spatial architecture of the actual bathhouses in which they were filmed, each screen providing the viewer with a separate visual bite of the bathhouse.

Here it is necessary to acknowledge that the composition of each screen is beautiful. Kozyra captured an unpretentious, often unacknowledged vision of the common with all, or even more of the beauty that it contains. Pale figures move languidly across backgrounds of faded aqua-green tile and gray cement and stone fixtures. Each video panel works more as a framed photograph reinstated with the element of time than traditional narrative cinema. Muted tones, sounds and movements play across all of Kozyra's screens, emanating a subtle beauty from each small, repeating piece of time and space.

Contrasting the soft aesthetic is difficult ideological

content, on one hand hard to view, on the other, difficult to digest. The images primarily capture older men and women, mostly nude. The largest and most prominent screen from the women's bathhouse features old women showering. In order to film in the men's bathhouse, Kozyra wore fake hair and a fake penis to appear as a man — a small screen in the corner of "Men's Bathhouse" provides thorough footage of this transformation. Each image spares no details, confronting fully the concepts of aging and beauty and sexuality.

Additionally, "these installations have raised questions about the artist's intentions and the invasion of the bather's privacy," said Jo-Ann Conklin, director of the Bell Gallery, in a press release. "Kozyra feels the secret filming was the only way to observe public versus private behavior," Conklin added.

"She concluded that women and men go to baths for different reasons," Conklin said. "Women go for relaxation and companionship; they engage and assist each other in the intimate activities of washing, toweling and drying. Men go to look and be looked at; there is little interaction between them."

If nothing else, interplay between the soft, muted aesthetic and sharp, loud conceptual nature of "Katarzyna Kozyra: Bathhouses," lingers and stews within each viewer, dancing on the haze between art and reality.

The exhibit will be showing through March 9.

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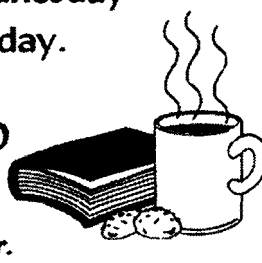
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Arabic

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language and can use it for professional advancement.

Dina Gewaily '04.5 said the extra support provided by hiring Rushdie this year was an asset, allowing the class to learn both standard and colloquial Arabic.

The future of the Arabic studies program is unclear, but Christoff said she felt encouraged. "My hopes are to continue to build this program so we can

offer learning that corresponds to the name of Brown and renown of this institution. It's not going to be done in a day or two — this is a process, but I am optimistic," she said.

Cristoff added that she would like to see graduate students be able to take Arabic and to be able to offer a fourth level of Arabic in the future, an option in which Gewaily expressed interest.

Gewaily also said she hoped more professors would be hired to lessen the already heavy workload of the current faculty.

Crossgrove stressed the cooperation of the University in Christoff's and Rushdie's endeavors, pointing out that this is the first year a teaching associate has been hired for the program.

"The administration is very interested in being supportive for language programs, but of course there are restricting demands," he said.

Herald staff writer Crystal Z.Y. Ng '05 can be reached at cng@browndailyherald.com.

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student body, and encouraged students to take advantage of both.

Brown "was an academic environment, a social environment and a cultural environment that really encouraged me to try new things, both in terms of professional development and academic development," he said.

Cicilline encouraged students to become a part of the Providence community by volunteering and

becoming active in local public affairs.

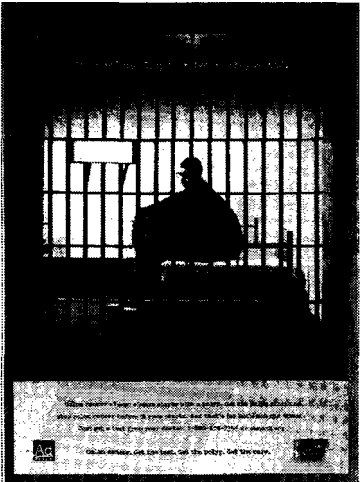
"There are too many people on this campus with too much talent to allow the city of Providence to get cheated out of that," he said.

Cicilline said the top three priorities on his agenda are homelessness, education and the city's budget deficit, which he estimated as roughly \$35 to \$40 million.

Cicilline outlined his plan to improve public education by creating "community schools," schools that would double as community centers to keep children out of trouble after school. He also spoke of the need to develop the creative and high-tech sectors of Providence's economy.

Cicilline gave the keynote address at Saturday's networking luncheon on the final day of Career Week, a four-day event sponsored by Career Services and several organizations, featuring alumni panels and career workshops.

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Rock

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was working on a computer on the second floor of the Rock on Friday afternoon, all of the computers on the second floor went off at about 4:30 p.m. Bockelman said he left soon after that.

"I was just assuming that they would fix the problem," he said.

But when Bockelman returned sometime before 6 p.m., workers were preparing to close the library. He said he had only enough time to grab his belongings from the second floor, and he couldn't remove his disc from the computer because the power to the clusters was still out.

Bockelman said he wasn't the only person who had to leave things behind.

Though there were lights on at the Rock Friday evening, the building was still closed. Ayala said there was "a lot" of flooding in the basement, but most dam-

age done was electrical. Besides blown-out electrical panels, there was also damage to the transformer in the basement, and, as of Friday evening, the elevators were not working.

The water main burst when a solder joint broke, Ayala said. The break did not occur because of the recent cold snap.

Facilities Management worker John DeMaria said Friday night he couldn't comment as to what caused the break or how bad the damage was, but he said Facilities Management had contacted contractors.

They were "trying to get in some parts," he said, and "see what they (could) do for us."

Weekend library staff members said there was no visible damage when the library reopened on Saturday, and those who were not aware of the incident were informed when they arrived at work.

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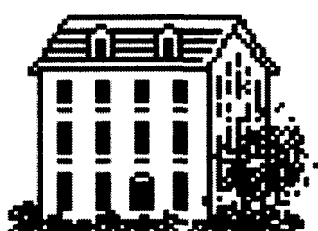
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CAMPUS NEWS

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IN BRIEF

Government recommends recruiting internationally

A government-sponsored panel of educators is recommending the United States be more aggressive in attracting foreign students in the face of international competition. But Brown has not encountered problems recruiting students from other countries, said John Eng-Wong '64, director of Foreign Students, Faculty and Staff Services.

Released by the Association of International Educators and titled "In America's Interest: Welcoming International Students," the report argued that some students from other countries may be deterred from applying to U.S. universities because of increased public hostilities since Sept. 11, 2001.

Although as a whole the United States might need to work harder to recruit foreign students, Eng-Wong said there has been no difference in the number of foreign student applications at Brown in recent years.

"Brown is in a group of elite collegiate institutions that offers a certain quality of education," he said. Brown has remained a desirable institution for people from all parts of the world.

Some students, however, may be tempted by opportunities for higher education in the United Kingdom, Germany, Holland, Australia, Singapore or New Zealand, Eng-Wong added.

But Nathalie Alyon '06, from Turkey, said she did not sense the international competition mentioned in the report. She said her friends in Turkey did not experience such competition either.

—Zoe Ripple



Jason White / Herald

TOUCHDOWN!

Students all over campus watched the Tampa Bay Buccaneers defeat the Oakland Raiders during Sunday's Super Bowl.

Students learn to mind manners

BY MOMOKO HIROSE

How should one eat soup?

"As little ships go out to sea, I push my spoon away from me," said Agnes Doody, professor of communications at the University of Rhode Island, to more than 100 members of the senior class. Doody led the class through a four-course meal, including difficult-to-eat delicacies like French onion soup and Cornish hens, at the annual Career Week etiquette dinner Friday night.

"Order items that will not challenge

you," Doody said. "Spaghetti, for example, is not a good choice."

Diners most often make table gaffes by talking with food in their mouths and reaching across the table without asking, she said.

Doody enlightened the diners with some little-known rules of etiquette. She told students to always pass the salt and pepper together even if a person only asked for one of them.

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Internationals returning from overseas face difficulties

BY ZOE RIPPLE

Teaching Associate Emad El-Din Rushdie underwent a vigorous selection process to teach Arabic at Brown. But he had to pass one more test before coming to campus in September — an impromptu oral exam to gain entry to the country.

"I was asked stupid questions like, 'Tell me about all the countries you've been to in your life,' and 'do you belong to any religious organization?' That was the one that really hit my nerve," said Rushdie, who had three previous work visas and a still-valid tourist visa at the time.

Rushdie intended to come to Brown in September, but was told a decision on his visa wouldn't be made until October. After relating his problems to an ambassador's wife, Rushdie received a five-year work visa within days, he said.

A small percentage of Brown's roughly 1000 international students were also prevented from returning to the United States at the end of winter break because of increased difficulties in obtaining visas, said John Eng-Wong '64, director of Foreign Students, Faculty and Staff Services.

There are some "awkward delays" for international students trying to get visas into the United States because of increased concerns over national security, he said.

"Our notion of how to protect ourselves" has changed since Sept. 11, 2001,

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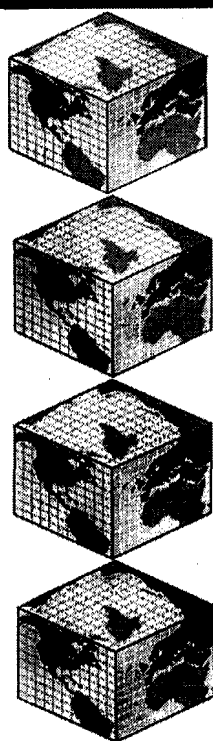
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Etiquette

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If a potential employer becomes too friendly, Doody recommended being bold and saying, "We're not going there."

If the other person has food on his face, Doody suggested gently saying, "You need your napkin."

Doody also told tales of past dining disasters, from ordering three different potato dishes — the menu was in French — to knocking over a wine glass while gesticulating. Doody said she stopped gesturing so much after these experiences.

Doody has also conducted etiquette dinners for various companies, including consult-

ing firms.

"Many young, newly-hired employees would embarrass the companies by not representing their companies well at the dinner table," she said.

Seniors who attended the event had varying degrees of experience with etiquette and manners. Some knew to tilt the soup bowl away to get the last of the soup while others were pleasantly surprised to discover the sorbet as a palate cleanser.

Doody began etiquette dinners for members of the debate team at the University of Rhode Island. She said, as coach of the team, she wanted the members to represent the university well.

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Visa

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he said, resulting in a "cascade of new procedures" in applying for visas.

Those Brown students still at home — not knowing if they will make it back for the semester — are prime examples of a growing bias toward international students, Eng-Wong said.

He said he was disappointed that innocent individuals were "bearing the cost of bureaucratic procedures that may or may not protect us."

International students have seen their reputation "tainted by the actions of a select few," Eng-Wong said, referring to several people with student visas

involved in the World Trade Center bombing in 1997 and in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. Within those groups most did not have student visas, he said.

There is a "disproportionate amount of attention" paid to international students since Sept. 11, 2001, he said.

Clemency Williams GS, from New Zealand, is working on her doctorate in the Department of History of Mathematics. She said that applying for her yearly visa has become more "unpleasant" in the past year. Now, she must get letters signed from faculty saying exactly why she is here and confirming that she is working. She must also declare her earnings and provide the government with a list of expenses.

The United States govern-

ment has recently implemented the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System, also called SEVIS, which is a "monitoring system," according to Eng-Wong. SEVIS was mandated under the USA Patriot Act of 2001.

All universities that accept international students must provide enrollment information to the SEVIS database so that they can be tracked and monitored, he said.

All schools must be able to comply with SEVIS by August 2003.

— with reports from Crystal Z. Y. Ng

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Basketball

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Even though the Bears were plagued by poor shooting in the second half, hitting only 27.6 percent of their shots, Yale was never able to get the lead closer than seven and even that was only with just over 40 seconds to play in the game. To maintain the lead, Brown leaned on second-year point guard Jason Forte '05. Demonstrating an improvement from last season, Forte showed poise at the free throw line, shooting 13 of 15 on the way to an 18-point second half and a game-high 23 points. Scoring the Bears' last five points, he helped seal the 94-84 victory.

"Last year, we gave this game back to Yale and the year before we did not start off as well," said Bailey. "We know we just need to come out and play hard every day and coach (Miller) does a good job of keeping us in check."

For the game, Bruno had five players score in double-figures and only one other player, Mike Martin '04, recorded any points. Martin finished the game with seven points and a game-high seven rebounds. For Yale, Edwin Draughan led the way with 19 points, including two of two from three-point land.

More impressive than the manner of the win was Brown's ability to avoid a let down following a win over the Elis the previous weekend. Unlike last year when Brown bested Yale on the road and then lost to them, 80-77, the next weekend at home, this year the team remained focused and swept the season series.

"We weren't able to finish out the game the way we wanted to, but it's a good win," said Hunt. "Yale tied for a piece of the championship last year and now we swept them to start the Ivy League season off. We need to keep playing hard and anything can happen."

Now riding a four-game win-

ning streak and sitting at 2-0 in the league, the team will attempt to continue its success on the road against Cornell and Columbia next Friday and Saturday.

Lay-ups: Before the game, the team honored the passing of David J. Zucconi '55 with a moment of silence. Zucconi, the former executive director of the Brown Sports Foundation, passed away at age 69 on Wednesday night after succumbing to a battle with cancer. ... The game marked the second Yale played following a traffic accident on Interstate 95 in Connecticut in which four students lost their lives. ... Last season's Ivy League Rookie of the Year Alex Gamboa saw limited action for Yale in his return from an appendectomy. ... The Bears finished the game a staggering 31 of 33 from the free throw line, a clip of 93.9 percent.

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Meachin

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Even though Karl Malone, Patrick Ewing and Charles Barkley will never be seen as champions, they will be remembered as all-stars.

The All-Star team should consist of the 12 best players from each conference and while the reserves of the teams are determined by the league's 29 coaches, every undeserving starter selected by the fans means another spot is unavailable for a more capable player. Searching for higher revenues and TV rat-

ings, David Stern and others have desperately tried to cater to the fans' desires but have done a serious disservice to the players in the process.

Who the fans like should not matter in determining one of the sport's highest accolades and that's why the coaches, who are much more informed to make these decisions, should select all of the all-stars, not just the reserves. The All-Star Game is a game for fans to watch, not determine.

Jonathan Meachin '04 hails from New York City, N.Y. He is a public and private sector organizations concentrator.

Superbowl

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throwing a pass and was intercepted by Charles Woodson the very first series of the game.

The Raiders were only 36 yards

from the end zone the very first time they touched the ball. Yet, it seemed they had little or no chance of scoring anything more than a field goal, even after Gannon completed an eight-yard pass on first down to Garner and a nine-yard pass to Tim Brown two plays later.

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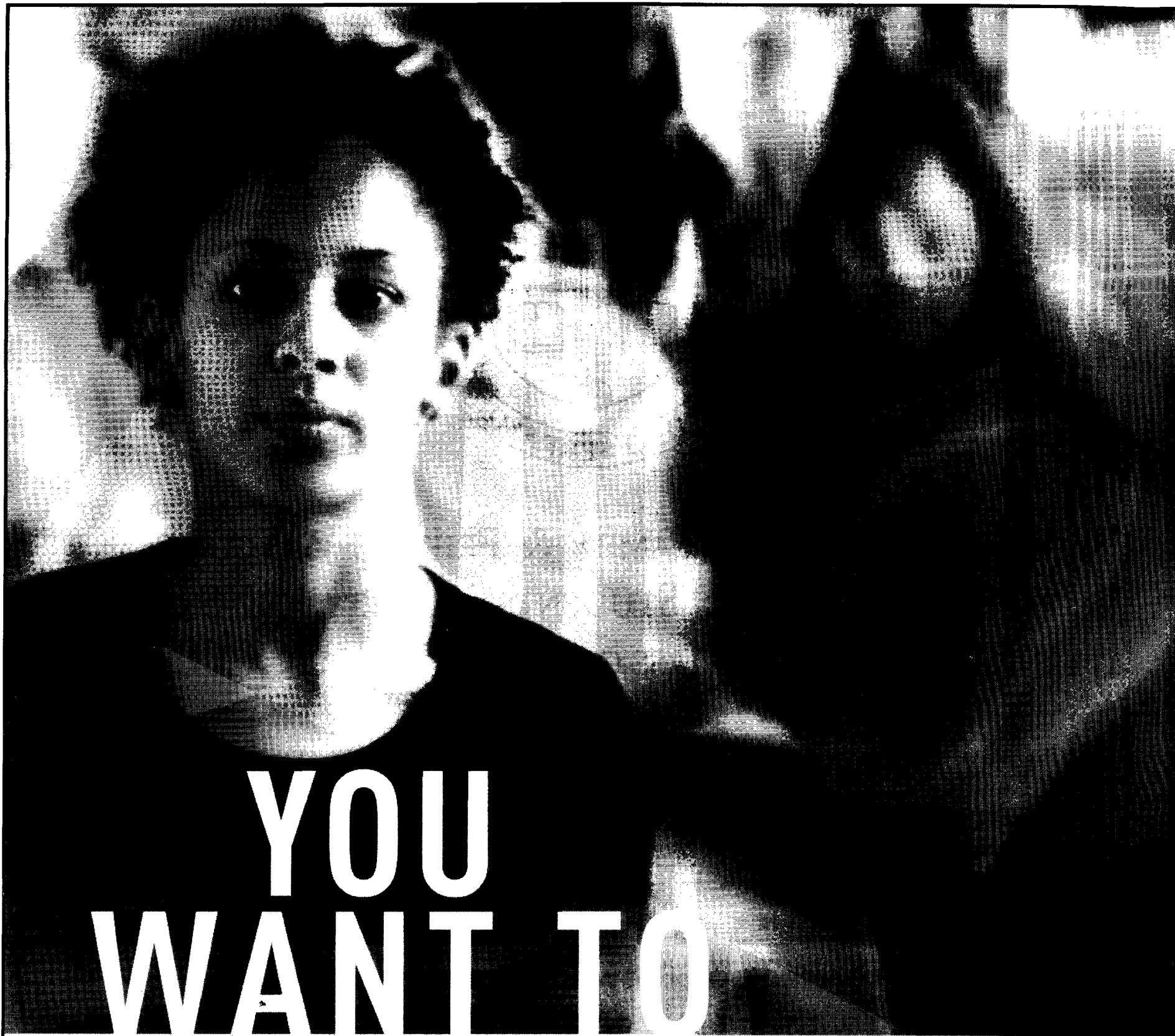
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Thayer

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heavily involved in the Thayer Street Business Association.

"Members had a lot of responsibilities and were not getting paid for what they were doing," said an employee of Oop! who asked not to be named.

Many businesses, both commercial chains and individually-owned stores, have had long-running successes on Thayer

Street.

"The stores have not changed much at all over the past 10 years," said Marsha, an employee of Foreign Affair who declined to give her last name.

Entrepreneurs are already taking over the newly-empty spaces. Renovations transforming Atomic Threads into a convenience store are already underway.

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Attending to Arabic

The University's decision to hire both a lecturer and teaching associate for the Arabic studies program is long overdue. Recent turnover in this area of study — three lecturers in three years — is unacceptable.

But Brown students can expect no better until the University is willing to dedicate appropriate resources to the Arabic studies program. Although many peer institutions offer a variety of Arabic and Middle Eastern studies classes pertaining to both language and culture, Brown's program consists of only three levels of classes run out of the Center for Language Studies.

This situation robs Brown students of the opportunity to learn about a socially and politically pivotal area of the world, an area that many Americans know little about.

Brown should foster the creation of a stronger Arabic studies program, loosely following the model of Africana Studies, which started as a small program over 30 years ago and slowly grew into a full department. In the past, visiting lecturers for Arabic studies have left for more lucrative positions at institutions such as Dartmouth College. At Brown they were restricted, tied to teaching a heavy course load and limited in research options. But with signs of a vibrant and expanding program, qualified faculty might be more inclined to stay.

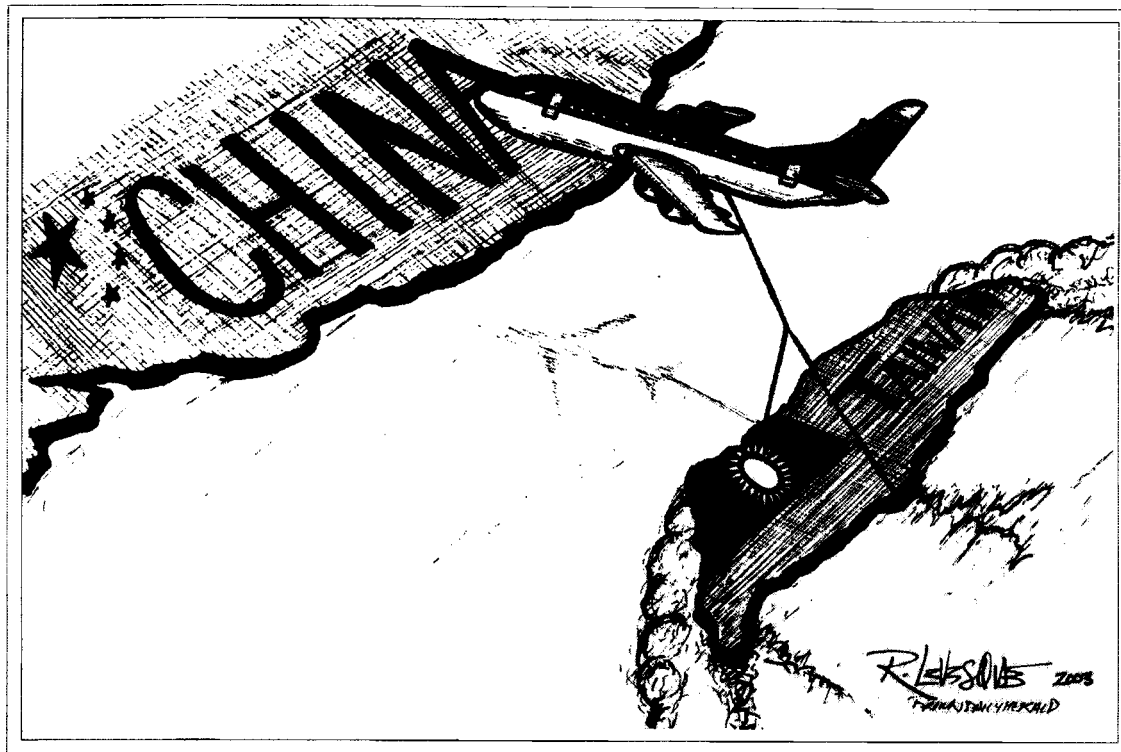
President Ruth Simmons has already committed to bringing 100 new faculty to the University. At least one should be a professor for Arabic studies. As in the formation of Africana Studies, professors could work through established departments for the Arabic studies program, teaching and researching the Middle East's history, politics, demographics or culture.

Offering classes in both language and culture is essential. The considerable number of students who have taken Arabic need an outlet on campus to further develop their interests. For students uninterested in the language, few other options exist.

And, equally important, such classes would be well-received. Interest in the Middle East has skyrocketed since the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, at universities throughout the country. A number of classes were to be offered at Brown this semester, but were cancelled due to staffing shortages.

Brown already has established programs in Hebrew and Judaic studies, as well as several courses that touch on the Arab-Israeli conflict and the literature of Jews from Arab countries. A strong program in Arabic studies would complement Judaic studies well.

If the University refuses to give Arabic studies the attention it deserves, the program will continue to flounder. With it will go an opportunity for Brown to engage some of the country's finest researchers and students in a field of study that will only continue to grow in importance.



RYAN LEVESQUE

LETTERS

Herald fails to note
Roe v. Wade
anniversary events

To the Editor:

Unfortunately, your article, "Roe v. Wade anniversary passes unnoticed at Brown," (Jan. 24) is more a comment on The Herald's general lack of awareness of a celebration, rather than an actual lack of attention on the part of Brown students. Medical students, many of whom have been here since early January, took part in a big Roe v. Wade celebration at Stitches Comedy Cafe at the Providence Place Mall. The event, a '70s theme celebration of Roe at 30, was organized chiefly by the local group 2:1: The Coalition to Preserve Choice, a grassroots advocacy group, with additional help

from Brown Medical Students for Choice and several other organizations. News of the event was sent to several undergraduates responsible for listservs, but due to the anniversary falling on the first day of class, and e-mail glitches, it seems undergraduates did not get the invitation.

I'd like to think that medical students are still part of the Brown community, and therefore, I have to say I was a bit offended by the article's suggestion that no one at Brown has done anything to commemorate the anniversary. Maybe The Herald should look a little further next time, before it announces that nothing's happened.

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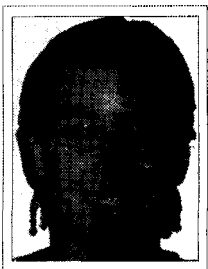
OPINIONS

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Love 'em or leave 'em

Americans are hypocritical about how they identify with the organizations they join

A STORM OF CONTROVERSY SWIRLED around the case of 19-year-old Eagle Scout Darrell Lambert, who last fall was expelled from the Boy Scouts after Lambert declared himself an atheist at a Scout meeting. According to Scout officials, the affirmation of the existence of a supreme being, of any religion or faith, is an essential aspect of the history and mission of the Boy Scouts of America and is a necessary component of the true Scout. The BSA gave Lambert 10 days to recant his atheist beliefs and profess the truth of a higher power. When Lambert maintained his conviction of a godless world, he was formally banned from the Boy Scouts. His appeal has not been successful.



KATE GUBATA
A CLOSER LOOK

This decision by the BSA came on the heels of the Supreme Court's ruling that upheld the organization's right to ban gays from becoming Scouts or troop leaders. The Scout oath insists that a Scout, "do (his) duty to God and (his) country" and lead a "morally straight" life. If you start asking your fellow citizens what these words could mean, you'll doubtless find that there's a considerable amount of disagreement over what might qualify as a morally-straight life and what might be excluded under that heading. But we're not talking about the public forum that is protected, in theory if not in practice, by the separation of church and state. The BSA is a private organization, and as such ultimately has the last say in determining, by what-

Kate Gubata '03 wants readers to know that the Girl Scouts of America do not discriminate against anyone.

ever criteria it sees fit, who deserves to be a Boy Scout and who is morally unfit for that role.

"But that's discrimination!" you might cry. Yep, it sure is. The Supreme Court minority decision declared that this was indeed discrimination. A number of parents of Scout members have rallied around Lambert's case, arguing that this type of discrimination itself goes against what the BSA stands for. The fact is, the BSA is an agency that does discriminate on the basis of religious belief and sexual orientation. And the sooner it is recognized as such, the better for everyone. Those who cry out against the BSA's response to the case of one Scout are

misplacing their anger, reacting to the ripples at the surface and ignoring the monster beneath the water.

The Boy Scouts of America is a private institution that demands adherence to its own moral code, which deems atheists and gays incapable of fulfilling the moral standards of scouts and thus undeserving of the Boy Scouts experience. Does this sound like an organization you want to be a part of? If I had eight sons who were all heterosexual and devout Christians, I would never want them to join an organization that practices discrimination against so many would-be Scouts. If you find enough value in the Boy Scouts to outweigh the discrimination, then sign your sons up and get out your tents. But don't let yourself be fooled into thinking the organization is more worthy than its practices. You have to be willing to say, "I know my sons are part of an organization that discriminates against gays and atheists because they are not good role models,

It's about time Americans started taking responsibility for the principles of the organizations they belong to 100 percent of the time, not just when it suits them.

and that's ok with me."

It's about time Americans started taking responsibility for the principles of the organizations they belong to 100 percent of the time, not just when it suits them. Too often Americans get in the habit of picking and choosing which standards out of a set of beliefs they wish to follow and which they think can be overlooked.

Recently Pope John Paul II issued a 19-page declaration to Catholics entitled "Doctrinal Note on Some Questions Regarding the Participation of Catholics in Political Life." This papal decree, targeted more specifically at Catholic politicians, insists a Catholic cannot vote for an issue that conflicts with Catholic doctrine and be true to the faith. In the pope's words, "There cannot be two parallel lives in their existence: on the one hand the so-called spiritual life... on the other, the so-called secular life." In a largely Catholic, yet largely Democratic, state like Rhode Island, it seems at times that for every 100 Catholics, there's 100 different versions of Catholicism at work. People follow the guidelines that suit their lives and gloss over the ones that don't, such as the capacity of one man to determine how they vote on political issues.

My parents were raised in a Catholic neighborhood; their religion was never a choice but rather a part of their lives that changed as their lives and priorities changed. Thus my upbringing in the Catholic church reflected those ideals

my parents thought were more important and was utterly devoid of those that they themselves had chosen to leave out of their lives. Some of the critical and unique elements of Catholicism, the importance of celibacy among the clergy, the supreme authority of the pope, rejection of birth control and abortion, were completely unknown to me for some time, as they were de-emphasized as part of the faith by my parents. I don't know anyone in my extended family who believes in the three tenets of Catholicism I just mentioned, and yet they all consider themselves good Catholics.

To what extent can members of a group or religion continue to identify as part of that group, while rejecting many of the most fundamental principles behind that group? It may seem obvious to say that if one has a problem with the idea of the pope, one should reconsider being a Catholic. Yet that is the lesson that we must take from these incidents with the Boy Scouts. Americans must recognize the groups they support for everything that they are, for better and for worse. Being a Boy Scout does not mean just knowing how to pitch a tent and use a compass any more than being a Catholic means just showing up at Mass on Sundays. It also means representing and adhering to the all the standards, including those regarding personal beliefs and lifestyles, that these groups stipulate.

Sleeping with the enemy

Despite myths, members of the opposite sex are still a woman's greatest threat

IT IS A WIDESPREAD MYTH THAT women are their own worst enemies. This idea stems from misleading historical examples of women protesting the women's movement, as well as from detrimental actions women take against each other today. However, closer inspection of past and present events reveal that in most of these circumstances, the problem goes back to men. The harm that men inflict on women is subtler, often hidden, and as such is easily overlooked. Indeed, men wrong women to a degree no woman could ever wrong another woman.

History has shown us countless examples of women holding back their own movement for equal rights with men and status in the home and workplace. Women, for instance, protested against women's rights in the late 1800s and early 1900s. However, the women in these situations did far less damage than the men. It was the men who voted on the issues, when they even chose to vote on them. Women also protested the Equal Rights Amendment. In this case, the women opposed it because utter equality would actually cause women to lose cer-

tain privileges, such as exemption from compulsory military service and economic support from their husbands.

Some see these privileges as a double standard to the feminist cause because women want to be treated with the same respect and to be given the same rights as men. However, is the ERA was enacted in 1923, women would not have been able to enjoy their new rights for a decade before being sent off to war and killed. Other, more minor luxuries women have been historically afforded include men opening doors for women, paying for them and others that seemingly undermine a woman's independence. These are often misconstrued as measures taken because women are too weak

to do these tasks themselves, so it is seen as degrading to the entire female gender when a woman accepts such luxuries from men.

Truth be told, these privileges are displays of respect for women. Doors are held open for royalty as well as those physically unable to do so. It is obvious to today's society that being a woman does not make one incapable of pulling on a door.

When a woman lets a man pay for her, it is wrongly viewed as outright acknowledgment that men have an easier time making money than women. Rather than be

viewed as a handout, however, it should be viewed as a man paying to be in the woman's company because he values the time spent with her. The fact that men now pay for a woman's dinner rather than paying to have sex with her is not a step back for women.

It is a fact, however, that men make more money than women. Conservative philosophy dictates that a woman's place is in the home. In accordance with this philosophy, girls have always been raised playing with dolls, playing house or playing tea-time. This translates to girls being taught how to take care of other beings in preparation for motherhood, how to cook and clean, and how to set a table, respectively. Women are thus at a disadvantage from the start, considering boys are raised playing with mechanical toys and video games. Boys are given exposure to computer systems, cars, wiring and other practical knowledge. Furthermore, boys are able to take out their aggression in the virtual world of video games and when blowing up each others' G.I. Joe squads. Women have no such outlets. In order to compensate for men's head start and out of frustration for having to do so, women are extremely cutthroat when striving to succeed.

Women are so competitive, in fact, that they often must compromise themselves to guarantee their success. Now that we live in a society based on intellect, as opposed to one based on physical

strength, a woman can achieve financial success. However, men are generally in superior positions and thereby control the extent to which women succeed. Thus, to attain her position or to secure an occupation, a woman must often use her sexuality or fly under the radar. This is the living standard imposed upon the women of today: Suck or shut up. It is typical for women who yield to these demands to be deemed enemies of the woman's struggle, demeaning the gender. But they are men's rules to which, if women did not abide, women would not succeed. Both a woman's actions and, as a result, how other women treat her, originate from a code established by men.

Women are not their own worst enemies. Women steal other women's lovers, but the man is the lover who is leaving one woman for the other. Women compete with each other aesthetically, but it is the men for whom they want to look good. Women are burdened with a menstrual cycle, yet they must hide their tampons and pads from public view on the way to the bathroom lest men be burdened with the mere thought of menstruation. The worst thing a woman can do to another woman is kill her child; the worst thing a man can do to a woman is rape her, simultaneously impregnate her, and thereby force her either to have a child or to kill her own child. Men can hurt women far more than women can hurt each other, and they do hurt women far more than women hurt each other.



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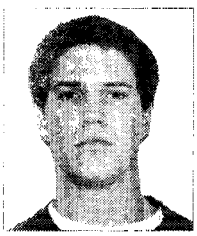
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NBA fans don't deserve a say

HAVE YOU SEEN WHO'S PLAYING IN THE NBA All-Star Game? Yes, Vince Carter, who has played in only 11 games averaging under 20 points for one of the worst teams in basketball, is starting. Who was stupid enough to make this guy a starter? "The fans" who, for some ridiculous reason, decide who should start in the All-Star Game.



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I'll be the first to admit that the Eastern Conference forward spot is probably the least talented position other than the Eastern Conference centers, but the fact that Vince Carter got more votes than Jermaine O'Neal, Jamal Mashburn and Kenyon Martin makes you wonder if any of "the fans" have actually watched any games this season.

If you think Carter is an aberration from an otherwise sensible group of voters, Grant Hill was third in the voting for the forward spot. Fans must have fantastic memories because Grant Hill hasn't done anything worthwhile on a basketball court in three years and his last monster dunk was in one of his cheesy Sprite commercials. Even though he will not play for the rest of the regular season and he's averaged under 15 points a game, he also beat out Mashburn and Shareef Abdur-Rahim, whose numbers are considerably better.

Similarly, Michael Jordan was very close to being an all-star starter yet again. No one would ever question Jordan's career credentials, but the guy's had a seriously sub-par season for a mediocre squad — you're going to tell me that he deserves to be an all-star more than Jason Kidd? That's right, Jordan received more than 100,000 more votes than the best point guard in basketball.

The problem lies in situations like this where being an all-star is not an issue of merit, but of Nike and Sprite commercials. Vince Carter, Grant Hill and Jordan do not deserve to be all-stars this season. While Hill and Jordan won't make the squad, the point is they both came very close to both starting. These three players have been three of the most endorsed and therefore most visible players over the last decade. If the All-Star Game was about delivering the goods on TV, then they would be starting. But it isn't; or more correctly, it shouldn't be.

Many view the All-Star Game as an event for the fans that simply represents a weekend off from the regular season for the players. The game itself has become a meaningless showcase of missed alley-oops and bad defense, but the importance of being an all-star is definitely not lost on the players. When reflecting on their careers, many will see All-Star Game appearances as crowning achievements.

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Men's Basketball BROWN 94, Yale 84	Women's Squash BROWN 7, Bowdoin 2
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Men's Ice Hockey Merrimack 3, BROWN 1	Men's Swimming Harvard 217.5, BROWN 74.5
Gymnastics BROWN 188.25, Alaska 180.1 BROWN 188.25, Southern Connecticut 181.4	Wrestling Lehigh 38, BROWN 3

Home cooking: First-half shooting carries mens' hoops to win over Yale

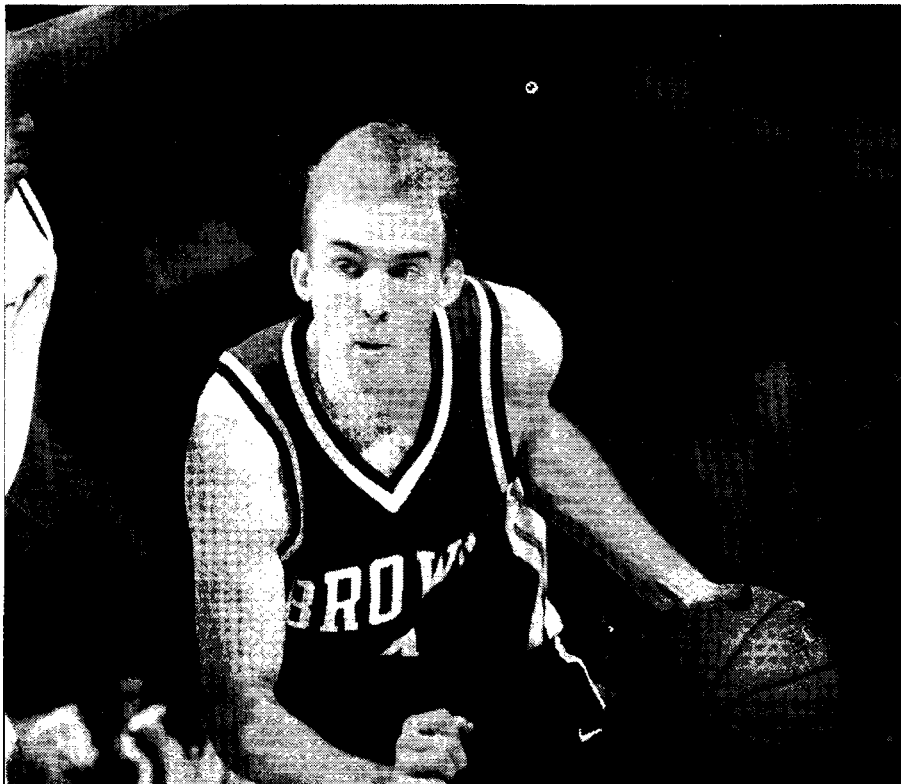
BY JOSHUA TROY

It's true, describing a player or team as being "in the zone" has become cliché. But it definitely applies to the performance of the men's basketball team (7-9, 2-0 Ivy) in the first half against Yale on Friday night. In a rematch of last weekend's contest in New Haven, the Bears shot 64.5 percent in the first half. Going 20 for 31 from the field, four for seven from three-point land and seven of seven from the charity stripe, the team opened up a 15-point halftime lead and held on to win by 10.

The Bears, playing in their home-opener in front of a boisterous crowd of 2,279, played catch-up at the start of the game after finding themselves down 9 to 2 in less than three minutes. Rather than revert to its early season play or let the Elis, predicted to finish second in the preseason league poll, build an insurmountable lead, the team came out firing from a timeout and went on a 16-0 run. The team's two captains, Earl Hunt '03 and Alai Nuualitiia '03, combined to score 11 of the points in that run.

"We are still developing as a team," said Head Coach Glen Miller. "I don't think it was that we weren't ready mentally, we were just tentative. After that timeout, we came out aggressive on both sides of the ball."

After Yale responded and narrowed the gap to five, two surprise contributors stepped up and helped the team build a lead that the Elis were never able to overcome. Harold Bailey '04, a junior transfer from the University of Pennsylvania, and Jaime Kilburn '04, came off the bench to score 10 of the teams' 11 baskets over an eight-minute stretch near the end of the first half. While Bailey contributed with three three-pointers and an arena-rattling dunk after catching a rebound in mid-air,



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Men's basketball will head out on the road next weekend to face Cornell and Columbia

Kilburn did it all from inside the paint. He shot seven for seven in the first half with all of his points coming down low, including a section where he scored 12 straight points for the Bears.

Bailey has "been coming along in practice everyday and I knew he was going to step forward and make some shots," Miller said. "He provides us with good athleticism and strength on the perimeter. If he starts shooting the ball like that, we will be in good shape."

"We got off to a great start and I felt it was up to me to just keep it going," said

Kilburn. "Guys just got me in good scoring opportunities and I finished the plays."

Coming out of halftime with a 15-point lead, Bruno pushed the lead to 20 with just under 11:30 to play in the game. Hunt added eight of his 20 points in the run and, in doing so, moved past Don Fleming (Harvard, 1978-82) into seventh place of the Ivy League's All-Time Scoring List with 1,800. He will need 28 points to move past Ernie Beck (UPenn, 1950-53) and into sixth place.

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Gannon throws five TDs, three for Bucs, as Tampa routs Oakland in Super Bowl

SAN DIEGO (Washington Post) —Repeat after me: Great defense wins championships. It usually wins in any sport; it always wins in pro football. Great defense wins in any era, under any conditions, no matter how potent the offense. Happened last year when the Patriots stopped the so-called Greatest Show on Turf, the year before that when the Baltimore Ravens crushed the New York Giants, and again Sunday when Tampa Bay simply obliterated the Raiders' offense.

The Steel Curtain won, Doomsday won, the No-Name defense won, the '85 Bears won, Lawrence Taylor's Giants won. The 49ers always had good offense, but they only won it all the years they played great defense. The Air Coryell teams were nice, but they never won. Dan Marino was sweet, but he never won. The Redskins once set a record for points scored in a season and got crushed in the Super Bowl by great defense. Great offense is praised, great defense is feared.

The Oakland Raiders didn't have enough tricks up their sleeves to beat Tampa Bay's defense Sunday. And when that became apparent to both teams, sometime in the second quarter, the Raiders became disheartened, the Buccaneers became emboldened and another Super Bowl rout was on. Don't be fooled by the Raiders' fourth-quarter scoring. The game was over early in the third quarter when the score was 34-3, and the

Buccaneers grew so bored they fell asleep for about 10 minutes, and then they woke up and returned two interceptions for touchdowns and won, 48-21.

The story is what happened those first three quarters when the Buccaneers' defense, led by Simeon Rice, Warren Sapp, Greg Spikes, Dexter Jackson and Ronde Barber, rushed, harassed, sacked, confused and intercepted Oakland's Rich Gannon like he was somebody's chump instead of the NFL's most valuable player. The Buccaneers were rude and dismissive, downright stifling most of the game. They body-slammed Charlie Garner and eliminated Jerry Rice and Tim Brown from the passing game.

It was a thorough dismantling of an offense, and not just any offense, but the No. 1 offense in the league. Gannon hadn't thrown three interceptions in a game this season, but the Buccaneers jumped three of his passes in the first 35 minutes and finished with a Super Bowl record five interceptions.

It was a perfect night for offense, too, a laboratory night for passing and running and blocking. But the Raiders had no answers for the Bucs' defense. These two teams could play 10 times, and the result would be the same. The Raiders can't block all Tampa Bay's great defenders.

Of course, this shouldn't be news. Ten times in Super Bowl history, a top-three defense played a top-three offense. Nine of

those 10 times, the top-three defense won.

Of course, the dominant defenses have never lost. They're undefeated in Super Bowl history. I suppose Denver's Orange Crush defense in 1977 was a great defense, and Denver lost to Dallas in that Super Bowl 25 years ago. But consider the circumstance; the Broncos offense committed what was then a Super Bowl record eight turnovers, but the defense kept the game respectable in a 27-10 loss.

You want to make the case that the "Purple People Eaters" were a great defense and never won, go ahead. Fact is, the Vikings lost to a Kansas City Chiefs team that had Hall of Fame defenders like Bobby Bell, Buck Buchanan and Willie Lanier. Minnesota's second loss was to Miami's second consecutive Super Bowl victory.

The Steel Curtain smothered the Vikings, and the Raiders put up 32 points in Minnesota's third and fourth losses, respectively. The "Purple People Eaters" had a great defensive line (Carl Eller, Alan Page, Jim Marshall, Gary Larsen) and a cute nickname, but were a couple of holes from greatness.

Tampa Bay has no such holes on defense; it's air tight up front, in the line-backing corps and in the secondary. And that showed immediately after Buccaneers quarterback Brad Johnson was hit while

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