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## Dr. Steven A. Loy Named as New Headmaster

by Scott Mory

As everyone in the Prep community is aware, the Board of Trustees has been involved with the long and arduous task of finding a new Head of the School. Well, the results and votes are in, and after seven months of searching and interviewing, the search is over and the school finally has a new, permanent Head.

The new Head is Dr. Steven Loy, who is coming to Prep from the Dunn School, in Los Olives, California. Dr. Loy was born in Los Angeles and he moved to Long Island at the age of 15 when his father, who worked for Pan Am, was transferred. Dr. Loy went to Princeton University and coincidentally, he graduated with Mr. Kendall, with a major in English.

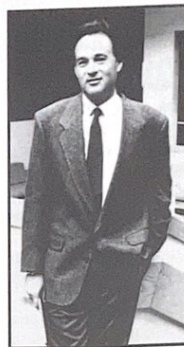
He almost pursued a law career, but took a year off after college to travel in Europe. Half way through his trip, he ran out of money and had to do a little bit of teaching in Denmark in order to get by. After that, Dr. Loy taught at the American School in Aberdeen, Scotland. There he taught English and physical education and that's where he fell in love with education.

Dr. Loy came back to the States and went to Stanford, where he got his masters in Education. After receiving his masters, Dr. Loy got a job as the Assistant Headmaster at the Brentwood School in Los Angeles. While he was working at Brentwood, he went to UCLA to get his Ph.D. in Education. In 1982 he was

offered the position of headmaster at the Dunn School and has been working there ever since.

Once Prep had decided on Dr. Loy, the question was whether or not he would choose us. He says that there were basically two main reasons that influenced his decision. The first was the fact that he wanted his children to receive a top notch primary education, and second because of the excellent impression made upon him by all facets of the Prep community—student, faculty, parents, alumni and trustees.

Obviously, the move from California to New Jersey is difficult to make. Dr. Loy's wife, Philomena, is very excited about the move. She enjoyed visiting the people here at Prep and she thought the environment would give her children the best education. Dr. Loy's eldest son, Matthew, who will be 5 in May, is really excited about the move and he has been having fun visiting with his future classmates on his recent visit. Dr. Loy also has twin boys, who were two in March. According to him, however, the boys "have no clue" as to what's going on. Dr. Loy himself is



The new Headmaster, Dr. Steven A. Loy

looking forward to the change and is excited to get to work.

As for what he sees as his role as Head, he says there are two roles a Head must fill in our school. The first role is that of securing "friends and funds" for the school, in order to secure the school's financial well-being. The second role is not being off campus so much and finding a way to balance his time between the three school divisions and between paying attention to academics, sports and extracurricular activities.

Although the Prep community will be sad to say farewell to Mr. O'Neill, it provides a sense of security to know a man like Dr. Loy will be the Head of the school next year.

## Model UN Goes To New York

by Danielle Snieder

On April first Mr. Stefani took a group of students to New York City to participate in the 1992 Model United Nations Conference. The students included Delegate Leaders, Jamie Kelner and Nicole Martin, and members Gabriela DeSantis, Trevor Young, Melissa Rosenbaum, Eric Kelner, and Danielle Snieder. The students stayed at the Ramada Inn in NYC, the site of most of the meetings.

Prep represented Cote D'Ivoire better known as the Ivory Coast. The committee meetings ran from 9:30 in the morning to 11:00 at night with breaks for lunch and dinner. Committees had an average size of one hundred members. Each committee passed at least one resolution. For dinner, some students went to the Hard Rock Cafe, while others wandered about the Village.

Eric Kelner, a freshman, spoke in front of his committee in support of his resolution. Unfortunately his resolution was not passed but this was quite an accomplishment for a new member of Model UN and the RPS High School Community.

Overall, the trip was a learning experience. Towards the end of the meetings, when they moved to the UN building, Prep students were able to use the actual UN equipment used by the Ivory Coast delegates.

## Break in at Field House Leaves Damage

by Paul Constantinides

At some point over the long weekend spanning from April 17 through 19 the Field House at Prep was vandalized. The vandalism was manifested in a foray for cash or valuable substances. Doors within the building were damaged by the breaking in, but the outer exits and entrances remained intact. The vandals broke into the Cafeteria, the Book Store, Coach O'Connell's office and the storage closet in his office, and one of the offices downstairs. The current "Out of Order" state of the vending machines is due to their attempts to jimmy the machines open in search for food or cash. Among the items stolen were: a television set, VCR, and video cassette recorder from the storage closet; a typewriter and various items from the book-store; cash from a smashed reg-

ister and other things from the cafeteria; and other miscellaneous commodities including a generator for the baseball and softball pitching machines, and a radio. Both in the Book Store, and in the office downstairs, the computers were left unharmed, while other items near them were pilfered.

Although Mr. O'Connell has no knowledge of who the perpetrators may be, he doubts that anyone from within the Prep community is responsible. Nevertheless he is glad that nobody was hurt. The cost of the incident should be covered by insurance. "It's like a car accident, you hope it doesn't happen, but if it does, you're covered," says Mr. O'Connell. "Unfortunately, this kind of thing happens periodically."

Although Mr. Peter O'Neill will be leaving in a few days, we at Argo feel that he has left an indelible mark on this school. He was well liked and very popular among both the faculty and the students. We appreciate his hard work, and he will be missed greatly. Farewell and the best of luck!

## Prep Computer Dept. Receives 16G

by Violette Renard

In the fall, the Rutgers Prep computer department received a grant of over \$16,000 from Ethicon Incorporated, a Johnson & Johnson subsidiary. The money donated is designated for use in a class to develop multimedia presentations with social and medical information. The interactive presentations will be developed by the class, currently consisting of Paul Constantinides, Caroline Elo, Brian Lessing, Mikal Nasir, Jeremy Rotter, Tim Ruiz, Keith Winter and teacher Tamara Helmich. The final ownership of the pieces will remain with Ethicon for na-

tional distribution.

The two pieces deal with the effects of alcohol on pregnancy and stress awareness and management. The alcohol information system will be piloted at the Somerset County Twilight Program in conjunction with the Somerset Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependency; the Stress Information System is currently being tested at the Live For Life Center of Ethicon in Somerville.

The recent funding provided for the purchase of two new computers, much new software, and peripherals designated for the pur-

pose of developing these projects. The venture was an extension of the established partnership of the J&J/RPS Teaching Fellowship. The grant was acquired through a team effort within Ethicon of Mr. Frank Torpey, Vice President of Public Affairs, Mr. Frank Cutley, Vice President of Human Resources, and Dr. George Lutz, Corporate Medical Director. New projects will be built in next year's Advanced Topics in Computers course. The class hopes to give the students a basis of knowledge in the growing field of multimedia.



## What Happened with Rodney King?

by Bobbie Kader

As a human being, I was deeply distressed by the beating of Rodney King. I found it appalling that police officers would behave in such a manner; I was even more horrified that other officers whose duty is to protect people, would stand by and allow this to happen.

I must admit that I did not pay much attention to the trial because I took it for granted that in America, with such convincing footage available, the four officers on trial would automatically be found guilty. I'm sure most of the people felt this way.

Unfortunately, we were wrong. The entire country was shocked that twelve jurors would acquit

the officers—it was outrageous! I feel strongly that public outrage was warranted, but things got way out of hand, as we all saw.

There has been much discussion as to whether or not the riots in Los Angeles are appropriate. I think that they were right to protest, but sadly, the rioters ended up hurting themselves. Although the riots broke out as a result of the unfair verdict, I think that some people lost sight of what it was they were upset about when they committed crimes.

I was deeply affected by that poor truck driver getting beaten up—I couldn't understand how hurting him was going to be

beneficial to King or the Black Community. I was even more anguished by one particular old man and his absolute devastation that he had lost his store. As he screamed at the mob, I wanted to cry.

Is this the American dream, where a man works all of his life to get himself out of the ghetto from which he came, to lose it all in a mob's rampage? I believed in the American dream where hard work brings rewards—but for him it has become the American nightmare. All of his work was for nothing.

I was so naive as to think that perhaps racism had subsided. I have seen it for myself; when I first came

to this country as an impressionable second grader, I was the only Indian in an all white school. No one talked to me because I was neither black nor white. Still they called me a Nigger. I had never heard that before and I explained I was Indian. They assumed I was Native American and proceeded to taunt me telling me to go back to my tribe or go climb my totem pole. Memories are still vivid and painful. No one had any idea I was Asian and if they did they told me to go home.

Then I transferred to a predominantly black school. I expected that I might finally make friends, but once again I was the odd one out. These kids, too,

taunted me with the native American jokes and names. Until this day, some ignorant people ask me what tribe I belong to even after I tell them I'm from India.

You would think that I would find solace in my native country—not so. I am an "American" there. So in a sense there is discrimination everywhere. It's not just a black or white thing. I think that there is only one solution to it. Races must begin to mingle with one another on a mass scale. That is the only way people will ever completely understand one another. They must give a conscious effort to avoid stereotyping, or else, racism will never be eradicated.

## An Inside Look

By Craig Fallon

As I entered Klein Counseling Center on a Thursday afternoon with my lunch, I was awaiting another long and glum meeting. The rest of the Head Search Committee and I were preparing to interview yet another candidate to fill the future void. Of those we had already seen, I was not impressed, and frankly, bored by these meetings. Each person seemed only interested in the budget and not about the students and the community at Rutgers Prep. Even though their resumes were impeccable, as people they were unqualified to lead Prep. When I sat down at the table I was taken by surprise to see such a young and vivacious man sitting at the head of the table ready for his interview. As I skimmed through the resume again, it showed that Dr. Loy also had an impeccable background. He was different from the others for he seemed to live more

freely; he also learned from experiences in foreign countries. As we discussed the aspects of what would make a good headmaster, he seemed to show a care for the community, yet he was still firm on the financial aspects that such a person must deal with. For the first time as a member on this committee, I felt and saw a

glow in the room, that we may have found the right man for the job. Dr. Loy left a strong impression on me and I fully supported him to be the next Headmaster. The day I received the letter that he was selected, I was truly satisfied. I felt that our committee and the faculty made the proper selection.

### He Says...

by Matt Maccia

There is no reason why a girl should not feel it is acceptable to ask a guy for a prom date, especially at Rutgers Prep. This school is so small that many times people are afraid of what others think and do not go for what they want. This should not be the case, be aggressive and go for what you want. You will be much happier and not be wondering, "What if...?" You will regret that you did not try asking the person you wanted to go out with after you have a horrible time at the prom. It is all right for a

girl to ask a guy not only because it is acceptable in a larger society, but because everyone owes it to themselves to go out and try to get what they want. So, girls, if you want to go out with a guy who you think will not go with you or you think he doesn't know you, or you feel you just can't because it's not right, forget about all that and just do it! You'll never know if you don't try and you may even be surprised sometimes because the guy was just afraid to ask you!

### She Says...

by Madai Cruz

Out of personal experience, I know it's hard to decide what to do if you like someone. It's not an easy situation to just do something rash. There are so many conditions such as: does he like you? Is it a just-to-have-fun date you want or something long-term? How well do you know one another, etc.

Once that's all cleared up and it comes down to either, wait for him or do it yourself, I say go for it, ladies! I mean, don't go out and throw yourself at him, unless that's what you want him to think of you. But go ahead and ask him out. What have you got to lose? Certainly not your heart! We're young. Life doesn't revolve around just one guy if he says no. Maybe he'll change his mind later. Maybe you'll change your mind later. When he's out of your thoughts, you'll realize there's a better guy you haven't given thought to yet. There are so many possibilities!

What if he doesn't say no? Sometimes guys never realize you're interested until you ask. That's what happened to me. Granted, it doesn't happen that way 100% of the time, but life is a risk.

If you like someone and want to get to know them, tell them. All that could be gained might outweigh any rejection. You never know until you try. And with women moving up in the world, it would be hypocritical for a woman to expect men to always ask them out. However, this does not mean men should not ask women out anymore.

Finally, ladies, if you ask a guy, expect to pay for the date! For years men have expected to pay because they did the asking. Likewise I think women and men are equals and women can take responsibility in paying. We asked for equal rights and quite fairly what men can do, women are more than capable of doing too.

## Views on the Prom

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## The MS 100

by Jeremy Rotter

On Saturday, May 16th and Sunday, May 17th, Ms. Leroy and Mrs. Kearnan took a group of eighteen on the MS 150 Tri-State Bike Tour. The bike trip, for which each student collected over \$150 in pledges, was to aid in the fight against multiple sclerosis. The group of eighteen included eleven Prep students: Dan Cantor, Paul Constantinides, Caroline Elo, Glenn

Grossman, Mike Kakuk, Dan Koncur, Steve Lenard, Nicole Martin, Mike Rose, Liz Sugarman, and Kiera Westphal. Each student rode his or her bicycle from the starting point in Allamuchy, New Jersey, around the 115 mile loop, which passed through New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York. The group stopped Saturday night at a YMCA in Milford, Pennsylvania. While most bikers, like Kiera Westphal, were "too sore to do anything", and went straight to bed after dinner, some found the energy to take part in some group activities. Though rain cancelled a few activities, in-

cluding the bonfire, several Prep students still took part in a karaoke (sing-along). Only one accident occurred on the trip, when Dan Cantor fell off his bike and was taken to the hospital, but he only sustained a few cuts and scrapes, and was able to continue on his bike. The rest of the trip went rather well, and most participants, including Dan Koncur, felt it was "an enjoyable experience", and can't wait to go next year. While most of the group had a great time, and fulfilled their community service requirement at the same time, they also managed to earn about \$2000 for a very worthy cause.

## A Salute to the Arts

by Sara Catona

On May 4th at the Colonial Farms Restaurant, faculty and students from Prep gathered together to recognize the achievements of those who participated in the fine arts. While eating dinner, the guests were able to view art work done by the students and watch a video depicting life at Prep. After Mr. Karman welcomed everyone, awards were given out to those who took art, music, band, drama, student publications, and other various clubs. A highlight of the evening was the vocal performance by Andowah Newton and Erin Armstead, an example of our talented Upper School choir. The entire evening was a success, especially with a turnout of over one hundred-fifty people, and a perfect way to congratulate those who took part in the creative arts.

## Physics, at Great Adventure?

by Nicole Martin

On Wednesday, May 6, Mr. Walter Nichols, accompanied by Mrs. Beth Edmondson, took his two Physics Honors classes to Great Adventure. Although the classes had assignments to do dealing with the rides and how they work, they had a wonderful time. This was a special day where physics students from all over the area were invited to make observations. The park was open just for this occasion.

Much of the work dealt with forces of gravity. Using a tennis ball can and a one kilogram piece of metal, the students were able to measure approximately

what the force of gravity was on a particular ride. Freefall was one ride that was very helpful for the students. The students also were able to observe centripetal acceleration in the carousel and on the Enterprise.

The students were also interviewed by a Home News reporter. The next day, he wrote an article about how some of the students felt about the experiments that they were conducting. This trip was valuable in reinforcing the ideas that the students had learned throughout the year. It was a great way to combine education and fun in one day.



Grace Alcid and Jen Geller at the Carnival

## S.A.D.D. Carnival

by Amanda Heron

On May 21, S.A.D.D. held its seventh annual carnival. There were several new additions to the already wide range of games, including two moonwalks, arcade games, a runaway train and a puppet show. Although the participants were mostly middle and lower schoolers, the upper

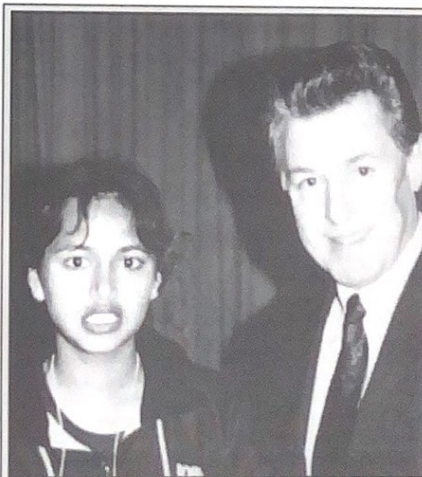
schoolers enjoyed running the booths and helping out. The weather was quite pleasant, as it has always been for this occasion, and as usual, the carnival was a great success. Mrs. Halpern, Scott Mory and all the S.A.D.D. members once again made the day enjoyable for all.

## Prep Attends Young Playwrights Festival

by Laurie Zizik

The New Jersey Young Playwrights Festival took place on Tuesday May 19. Mrs. Herzberg took eight students to the State Theater in New Brunswick, where students from all over the state had gathered. The students who attended were Dan Cantor, Paul Constantinides, Chris Davis, Joe Foleno, Windy Treese, Akin Salawu, Amy Smith, and Nicole Weitz.

Out of four hundred plays submitted to the festival, fifteen semi-finalists were chosen. Akin Salawu was one of those students whose play was a semi-finalist. Salawu was called up to the stage in front of a few thousand people to receive a certificate for his play. Students attending said that they had an enjoyable experience, and hope to go again next year.



Bobbie Kader poses with Governor Jim Florio

"The health of the environment is all about learning how to make the right choices" said the Governor during the Press Conference where he launched the Choices Campaign

## Earth Day

by Idalia Bonilla

On Wednesday April 22, Earth Day, Mr. David Mazza took two students to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Energy in Trenton. Liz Sugarman and Bobbie Kader met students from all over the state, who are very interested in ecology. In the morning there were two one-hour sessions that students chose. The "Choice to Act Student Forum" from Recycling to Working With Elected Officials. These sessions were conducted in small numbers so that students could interact to deal with problem solving.

After lunch, everyone was taken to the New Jersey State Museum for a

press conference. Before it began, the employees of the DEPE sang songs about the environment. The press conference then began. The DEPE commissioner Scot Weiner introduced Governor Jim Florio. He announced a statewide public information campaign focusing on the environmental impacts of life-style choices. He emphasized making decisions that would help the environment of not only our state but our entire planet. Sugarman and Kader learned a great deal and feel that the trip was a valuable experience.

-Ecotip- We save 17 trees from being cut down if we recycle one ton of paper.

## An Evening at Kirkpatrick Chapel

by Sheila Patel

The Spring Choral Concert was held on the evening of May 19th at the beautiful historic Kirkpatrick Chapel, on College Avenue of Rutgers University. Students from all grades at Rutgers Prep performed. A total of 20 pieces were sung, ranging from Irish folk songs to German Brahms. The night ended with a joint choir performance of the finale, "To Music", a tribute to the joy and beauty of music. It was an enjoyable event and something that is not to be missed next year.



## To England and Back

by Coulby Smaldone

On Saturday, March 14, fifteen Rutgers Prep students, chaperoned by Mrs. Gooen and Mrs. Herzberg, embarked on a week-long stay in London, England which included trips to famous places in London, three plays, two long trips outside of London, and some free time to soak in England. Upon arriving in London, the group was met by their AC15 tour guide, Mark Phillips, and

then taken into the city. Before checking into their hotel, the Strand Palace Hotel, the group spent time in Covent Garden. At the hotel, the RPS group was met by two other groups—one from Texas and the other from Illinois—which stayed with them for the rest of the trip.

Monday and Tuesday brought visits to the Tower of London and Hampton Court, respectively. A bus tour on Mon-

day familiarized the group with the sight-seeing attractions of London, and in the evening they traveled to the theatre where they saw *The Woman in Black*. The next day in the afternoon the group broke up for free time, with most of the RPS students visiting the renowned wax museum, Madame Tussaud's. That night, another play was seen, *Buddy*, a musical about the life of Buddy Holly.

Wednesday and Friday were the day long trips outside of London. The first day was comprised of visiting Oxford cottage, Anne Hathaway's (Shakespeare's wife) house, and Stratford-Upon-Avon, Shakespeare's birthplace. Friday brought the group to such interesting places as Salisbury Chapel, mysterious Stonehenge, and the town of Bath, where the historical Roman baths and fa-



A group of Prep students pose with a British police officer

mous architecture are located.

Most of Thursday was a free day spare the trip to the British Museum. After the museum, the group separated with most going to lunch at the Hard Rock Cafe. After this, they traveled down the well-known shopping district of Oxford Street, and then went to Harrod's, the famous department store. The day concluded with the final trip to the theatre, where *Measure for Measure*, a play

by Shakespeare, was seen.

The final day consisted of a morning trip to Runnymede, where the Magna Carter was signed, and Windsor Castle, home of Queen Mary and her famous doll house. After a free afternoon, the trip ended with a medieval banquet dinner, a perfect way to end a wonderful trip. The group left with memories of new places, good times, and new friends.

## Senior Servant Day

by Scott Mory

On Thursday, March 12, twenty-three seniors came into school dreading what would be in store for them. Just two days earlier, they had been auctioned off to various people in the Second Annual Senior Servant Auction. This year's auction was very successful, many of the servants being sold for more than fifty dollars. The auction was sponsored by the senior class as a fund-raising effort to secure the last funds needed to pay for their class gift and end-of-the-year trip.

Everybody was looking forward to an uproarious day of entertainment and fun, and that is exactly what they were given. The day began with the long awaited marriage between Femi Adejwon and his servant, Grace Alcidi, and then continued on with antics, ranging

from the sublime to the outlandish. No one will be able to forget Jeff Brinker in his French Maid's outfit, Dejon Hush in his Madonna's suit, or Colin Simons in whatever that was he was wearing. The school body was then able to enjoy Scott Slade and Dave Lee perform their version of Swan Lake in apropos tights and tutu. To the delight of many, Jason Kaplan, dressed as a baby, was forced to eat his tomatoes. Other performances included Amy Sheridan denouncing her volleyball skills, Nicole Weitz in her skintight outfit, Brian Lloyd, Doug Brown, and Colin doing push-ups at the command of their masters, and Eric Tavel doing a little strip tease.

The Senior Class really appreciates all the support it received for this auction. We'll all be thinking of you on our trip.

## Nude with Violin

by Windy Treese

Noel Coward's play *Nude With Violin* is an extremely difficult piece of work to perform because so much of it consists of puns and vocabulary that today's average highschooler is not familiar with—an example being: farouche. Even with these drawbacks, the Rutgers Prep Drama put together a great and enjoyable production.

A highlight of the show included the memorable set built by Russell Lee, Keath Winter, Aix Salamon, Anthony Accardi and Ron Kelly. Also, the

part of Pamela was charmingly performed by Nicole Weitz, with her wonderful facial expressions. Other marvels included the linguistic abilities of Akin Salawu (who spoke six languages in the play), the endearing newspaper reporter Clinton Preminger, Jr., played by Mike Kakuk, the singing religious fanatic from the West Indies, booming done by Femi Adejwon, the strong, silent type Geoff Fear performed so well, the southern belle Mimi Knoble, and the Russian Princess Pavlikov played by Julie Ciamporcero. Students also

enjoyed seeing some of the schools veteran actors return in new roles such as Scott Mory, Dan Cantor, Mairan McCue, and new actors on the stage such as Diana Lascinski and Jeff Pink.

The actors all worked well together and made the play and its little bits (like the Double Magnum and the ice bucket and tongs) really very funny. Overall, the play was another success for the Drama Department.

The Argo would also like to bid farewell to Scott Mory, Mairan McCue, Akin Salawu, and Nicole Weitz, who have made us laugh and cry for the past four years.

## Students Attend Teen Arts Festival

by Julie Ciamporcero

your ego to have people take your work so seriously." That they certainly did - Prep has an unprecedented four state finalists in creative writing: Grace Alcidi, Julie Ciamporcero, Amanda Heron, and Akin Salawu. Junior creative writer Sheila Patel says, "They had a lot of interesting workshops, like African Music and Dance. It was a good chance to meet new people and learn what other people thought of my writing." Freshman poet Eireann Corrigan states, "It was the first time I received criticism of my work, and it helped a lot. I would go back again."

In addition to ac-

complishments in creative writing, this was the first year that a chorus from Prep encompassing both the Middle and Upper Schools competed. "The room did not have very good acoustics, we're used to singing in front of a larger crowd, and we're not used to being judged. Also, we're not used to singing with the eighth graders. All things considered, though, it went very well," says freshman chorister Tara Auciello. All things considered, the day indeed went very well, and Prep looks forward to more success in future Teens Arts Festivals.

## Prep Opens Its Eyes

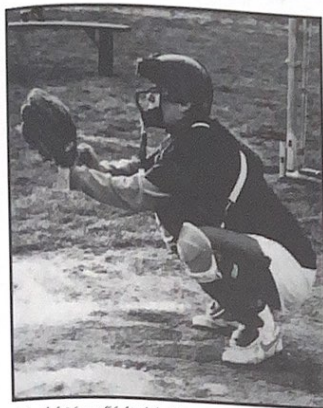
by Carla Golden

As the nation turned their radios and televisions to the news on May 6, 1992, startling news of the Rodney King beating rocked the country. "What, the acquittal of six white police officers for beating a black man on national T.V.? How could this be?" This was a familiar response in houses across the country.

For days to come the world watched and some participated as riots broke out in various cities. People were killing each other and looting stores out of anger and frustration with the justice system of our country, but what could we at Prep

do to help? The following week it was decided that a class period would be set aside for students and advisors to express their views on the verdict and violence. During these talks, students discussed the causes and possible solutions to racism as a whole. The school was taking the first step to relieving not only prejudice, but all the problems of our day and the community - Blacks, Whites, Hispanics, and people of all other ethnic origins. This was beneficial for the entire Prep community, because everyone had a chance to express their feelings and frustrations.





Meredith Maxwell behind the plate

## Juniors Lead Softball

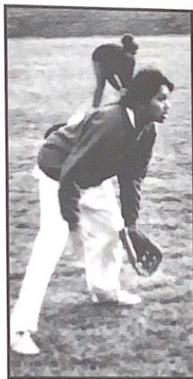
by Tara Auciello

The softball team, comprised of primarily juniors and freshmen, had a 7-8 split record this spring. Juniors Amy Holliday and Andrea McLaughlin split the first base responsibility, freshmen Tara Auciello, Vikki dePeralta and junior Lynne Schwartz saw time at second and third base, while junior Cherie Gallini was at shortstop. Sophomore Meredith Maxwell and freshman Sara Papa rotated time behind the plate, catching for pitchers Amy Holliday, Andrea McLaughlin, and Tara Auciello. Bobbie Kader, Reena Patel, Idalia Bonilla, Joanne Miller, Hiam Boraie, Erianne Corrigan and Kristine Coco were in the outfield this season.

Coaches Kearnan and Klinger were very excited and optimistic about this young team. Since the team is senior-free, the coaches were looking to the many juniors

to lend leadership and support to the younger players. The lineup had a good mix of experienced juniors and freshmen eager to succeed.

Although the girls had a losing record, they look forward to being very competitive in the Prep "B" division next year. With such youth and talent, the team looks to be powerful in the future.



Softball players ready for action

## New Coach, Tough Season

by Jignesh Patel

For first year Coach Culliane, the boys' lacrosse team had started off disappointingly. With early losses against tough schools such as PDS and Seton Hall Prep, the team faced one of their worst starts in years. Many of the problems that they have had to deal with were accredited to their "Youth on the attack positions", says Senior goalie Colin Simons. The team had solid starters, but it was the depth that lacked ex-

perience. Seniors Shaun Barber, Jeff Brinker, Sam Finkelstein, Robbie Samuels, and Regis Renard had performed well when called on, but the team needed the support of its underclassmen also to win games. The one bright spot for the team was the strong defensive plays of Dejon Hush, Rob Gonzalez, Steve Hostinsky, and Matt Hobbs. However, as the team gets adjusted to their new coach, they hope to see happier days next year.

## Girls' Lacrosse on Fire

by Jill Glazewski and Amanda Heron

Girls' Lacrosse came off their most successful season since 1986, led by the scoring of Seniors Grace Alcid and Andi Grumet. Both Grumet and Alcid made Division B All Star team for attack. Senior Ida Fiumefreddo led the defense in check steals and interceptions. Fiumefreddo also made the Division B All Star team. Prep made it to

the State Semi-finals, losing to Morristown Beard 14-12.

Highlights during the season included tying Newark Academy and beating Blair for the first time ever. Wardlaw served as an enjoyable practice game in which regular goalie Gabriella DeSantis scored two goals.

With the loss of five Seniors: Grumet, Alcid,

Fiumefreddo, Cory Metzger, and Kendall White, next year's team will be a young one. Underclassmen members include Jill Glazewski, Coulby Smaldone, DeSantis, Sara Catona, Amanda Heron, and Beth Arsenault. Sophomores were Jamie Schumer, Nickie Samuels, and Ana Moral. Nihdi Kumar, Alana Karen, and Linsey Gerickot were the Freshmen members, while Erica Golliday managed.

A team member said, "People worked hard, but we just couldn't pull it together. The effect of losing the seniors will be disastrous and it will take at least two years to rebuild the team. But, we have the potential to go a long way."

## Boys' Tennis

by Jignesh Patel

The Boys' Tennis team was off to a slow start this spring. Hindered with crucial injuries to key players, the team has had to dig deep into it's roster. Seniors Jamie Kelner and Joe Foleno, as well as improving young underclassmen, Scott Ryan, Daryn McCool, and Suntoosh Murty have had to step forward and pick up the slack. Coach Paul hopes to see the team pull together in upcoming seasons and play to their full potential. No doubt the team will become a fighting force in upcoming games, as players gain experience.

## Baseball Ends on a Good Note

by Matt Maccia

With this season finished, Prep's baseball players looked as promising as ever. With some newcomers coupled with a majority of veterans, this spring proved to be an interesting year for the team.

Many of the returning players like Seniors Eric Tavel, Sam Jethwa, and Dennis Timko, and Juniors Paul Kermizian, Chuck Somers, Matt Maccia, and Sim Jagannathan have sup-

plied the team with experience and skill. Senior Scott Slade, Junior Shane Alderman, and Freshman Mike Maccia as new additions have proved that they can hit for power as well as provide solid defense. These players performed to their capability and the pitching staff did their job. They were surely better than last year. The team went onto the semifinals in the State Championship Games.

## Golf Team not up to Par

by Brian Schaeffer

Senior Captain Jason Kaplan and the rest of the golf squad have got off to a slow start this spring. Despite losing many of their matches, they hope to turn things around. New additions Doug Brown, Paul McLaughlin, Ryman Maxwell, and Brian Schaeffer

have brought an added boost of talent and enthusiasm to an improving team comprised of Tim Coakley, Stuart Warsetsky, Chris Racz, and Gia Bocra. With such avid players, the team is likely to come upon many successes in future seasons.

## Sports Awards Dinner

by Matt Maccia

The 40th annual Sports Awards Dinner was an enjoyable experience as usual, but after all of the awards and letters had been handed out, everyone was certainly ready to go home. The evening was very enjoyable because Rutgers Prep Sports encompass a very large part of the community. Besides all the letters that were handed out, a few students received special attention. Amy Holliday, Lynne Schwartz, and Steve Hostinsky received the Coaches' Cups for their excellent leadership on the playing field. The Sportsmanship award was given to senior Doug Brown because of his great

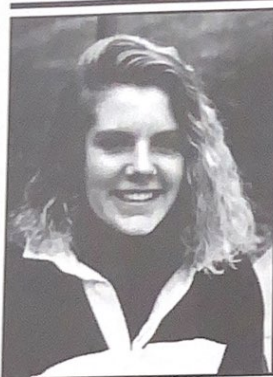
leadership abilities and determination shown on the basketball court and the playing field. These people and all of the athletes deserve

congratulations and recognition because they have played hard and showed tremendous effort both in the classroom and on the field.

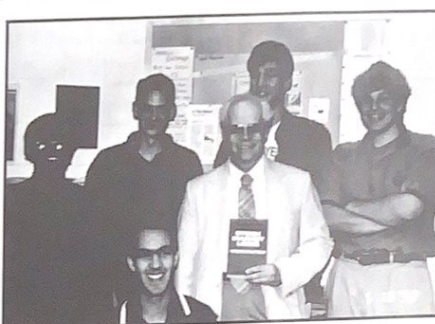


Mr. Peter O'Neill, Mrs. Susan Givens, Mrs. Cindy Forney, and Mr. Nig Forney at the Sports Awards Dinner





Diana Lisitskiy, Ham Borai, and Jennifer Hassenberg at Color Blast



Members of the winning Maroon Exchange Club. L to R: Sanjay Basu, Stuart Warsetsky, Dennis Timko, Mr. Hordijk, Chris Racz, and Tom Hoffman



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## Good-bye, Seniors!

OLUFEMI ADEJUWON	LEHIGH
REENA AGARWAL	BROWN
GRACE ALCID	WELLESLEY
MELISSA ALEGRE	CARNEGIE-MELLON
SHAUN BARBER	LEHIGH
SANJAY BASU	MUHLBERG
LINDSAY BENSKO	ELON
JENNIFER BLYTH	BOSTON UNIVERSITY
JEFFREY BRINKER	BOSTON UNIVERSITY
DOUGLAS BROWN	UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
ELIZABETH CHIN	BARNARD
TIMOTHY COAKLEY	ST. BONAVENTURE
MADAI CRUZ	RUTGERS
CAROLINE U. ELO	CORNELL
SAMUEL FINKELSTEIN	YALE
IDA FIUMEFREDDO	HARTWICK
JOSEPH FOLENO	BROWN
JENNIFER GELLER	CONNECTICUT COLLEGE
GLENN GROSSMAN	TUFTS
ANDREA GRUMET	RHODE ISLAND
MARK HODKINSON	BOSTON UNIVERSITY
THOMAS HOFFMANN	RUTGERS
ANDREW HORVATH	VERMONT
DEJON M. HUSH	MICHIGAN
JANET JENKIN	DUKE
SAMIR C. JETHWA	ROCHESTER
RACHEL KAHN	TUFTS
MICHAEL KAKUK	BRADLEY
JASON KAPLAN	UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
JAMIE KELNER	CORNELL
DAVID LEE	COLUMBIA
RUSSELL LEE	UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
BRIAN LLOYD	BROWN
NICOLE MARTIN	MOUNT HOLYOKE
BESSIE MBADUGHA	LAFAYETTE
MAIREN McCUE	NEWPORT UNIVERSITY
PAUL McLAUGHLIN	ELIZABETHTOWN
DEBORAH L. MELNICK	HAVERFORD
CORY METZGER	SUNY-BINGHAMTON
DANIEL MILLER	UNDECIDED
SCOTT MORY	GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
CHRISTIAN RACZ	RUTGERS
REGIS RENARD	JOHNS HOPKINS
NADINE ROSENBAUM	VERMONT
LISA RUPINSKI	WAKE FOREST
AKIN SALAWU	STANFORD
ROBERT SAMUELS	TUFTS
RONAK SHAH	BABSON
SILVERAS SHARAF	UNDECIDED
AMY SHERIDAN	TUFTS
COLIN SIMONS	VERMONT
SCOTT M. SLADE	SYRACUSE
ERIC TAVEL	UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
DENNIS TIMKO	LENOIR-RHYNE
LAUREEN TRAINER	BUCKNELL
WINDY TREESE	JOHNS HOPKINS
STUART WARSETSKY	WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
ERIK WASSON	AMHERST
NICOLE WEITZ	NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
TODD WEITZMAN	SYRACUSE
KENDALL WHITE	VIRGINIA

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