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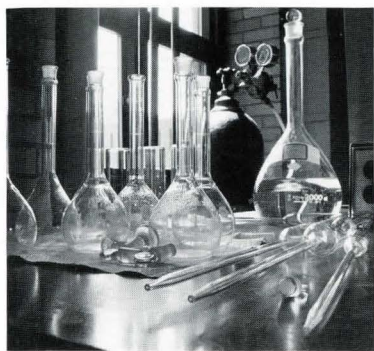
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Special Science Issue

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In this issue . . .



This special issue of the *Ursinus College Bulletin* is dedicated to Ursinus scientists and their work. It contains a special section beginning on Page 9, which includes transcripts of presentations from last November's symposium on the role of science in the liberal arts, as well as articles by other alumni scientists. Cover Photo by Rick Miller.



The most notable participant in the 1986 graduation program was Pennsylvania Gov. Dick Thornburgh, who spoke at commencement exercises May 18 and was awarded an honorary LL.D. Page 6



New fields, new status. That's the word from the athletic department as the new playing fields in Ursinus' "back 40" draw rave reviews. See *On the Field*, Page 33.



He nearly flunked out his freshman year. He says Ursinus never should have accepted him in the first place. But now he has a key role in NASA's 1988 Magellan mission to Venus. Page 14.

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Terrorism and the Global View

The decision of many Americans to stay at home and many colleges to cancel summer studies abroad retards international education. The climate of terror in Europe at this writing must be seen as a major defeat. It is difficult to learn about another language and another culture without direct contact. If students are not abroad they will not be learning as well as they should. The friendships that act as an antidote to international hostility will be fewer and everyone will be the poorer.

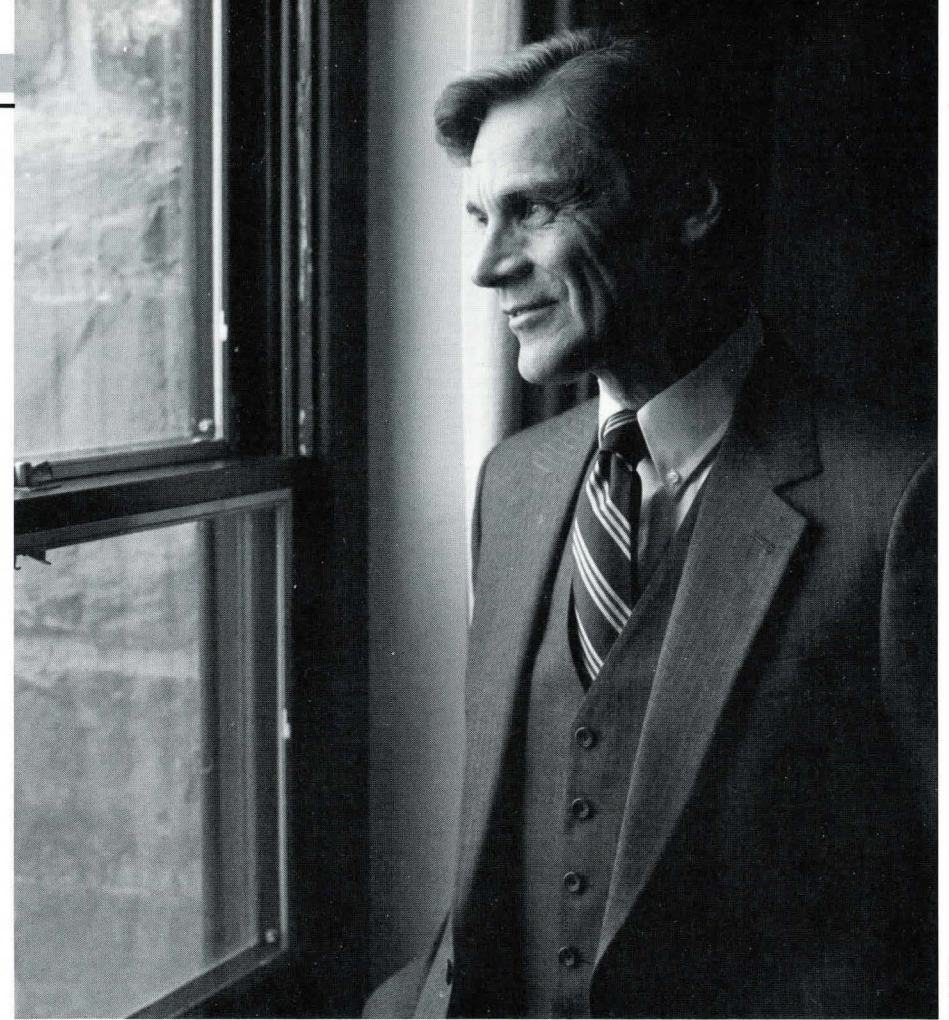
This development is notably ironic for us at Ursinus. A few years ago we decided as a college community that we should give a high priority to the fostering of an international perspective on the campus. A newly constituted modern language department, chaired by Dr. Annette Lucas, gave leadership. We started an interdivisional international relations major. We started an East Asian studies program. We began teaching Japanese language. We brought graduate-level native speakers to the campus for a semester at a time to provide more immediate contact with the sound of foreign languages. We encouraged our Admissions Office to try harder to bring students to the campus from abroad and have seen modest but real results. We formalized our exchange relationship with Tohoku Gakuin University in Sendai, Japan. We sent Ursinus students to study in Sendai in the summer, and we sustained and strengthened our 13-year-old American Studies program for TGU students at the College.

Our students were encouraged to spend time abroad, especially, but not exclusively, those majoring in a lan-

guage. Minor tracks in foreign languages were created and recommended by major advisors as practical adjuncts and enjoyable academic alternatives. The number of course credits in foreign languages grew. In February, faculty members in the languages and social sciences coordinated a symposium on international education in the liberal arts in cooperation with the University of Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Council for International Education. It brought to our campus three outstanding scholarly advocates of an international perspective—Howard Perlmutter, Professor of Social Architecture at the U. of P., biologist Jack L. Carter of The Colorado College, and anthropologist Paul Doughty of the University of Florida, a 1952 graduate of Ursinus.

For this fall, we have designed an international residence hall program in the new Musser Hall-South Hall complex in the Residential Village. Students with a common interest in international education will take part with students from abroad in a specially-conceived program supervised by faculty and centering in the new residence hall itself.

While the political climate currently is discouraging travelers, it clearly should not discourage us from fostering the international view. Our mission in liberal education will not allow it. If the graduates of Ursinus are to be more than mere bread winners, if they are to give some of their energies to the civilizing process in a creative way, they simply must have a vision of the world that transcends parochial boundaries. As a College community we must continue to look outward toward a deli-



Rick Miller

cately interdependent world and contemplate the ways by which we can grasp it and contribute to it.

In mid-May, Margot and I had a chance to reinforce our Japanese relationships. We traveled to Sendai, where I was privileged to bring greetings to Tohoku Gakuin University in its centennial celebration. TGU started in 1886 through the inspiration of a German Reformed missionary from Lancaster Theological Seminary. That the Rev. William Hoys' outreach of 100 years ago is the foundation of a lively international friendship today between TGU and Ursinus—as well as Franklin &

Marshall College—should give us hope. Even as some human beings around the globe divide and fight and hate, some at the very same time build community, make peace, and nourish understanding. With our friends in Sendai, we will seek to do that and symbolize an institutional commitment that stands firm.

Richard P. Richter, '53
President, Ursinus College

PATTERNS ◆ FOR THE ◆ FUTURE

■ A CAMPAIGN FOR URSINUS COLLEGE ■

Meridian Grant Will Support Residential Village

Ursinus College has received a major leadership gift towards the renovation of its Residential Village. The contribution was made by Meridian Bancorp., the parent company of American Bank and Trust Company of Pennsylvania, Central Penn National Bank, and The First National Bank of Allentown.

The Meridian gift "is in recognition of the role that Ursinus College plays in our community, and the professional and business relationships our institutions have enjoyed over the years," said Bonnie R. Plunkett, secretary of the Meridian Foundation.

Bequests to Ursinus

Ursinus College has been the recipient of bequests, both large and small, from alumni and friends over the years. These donors felt that they needed their capital during their lifetime, but found it possible to associate themselves forever with the ongoing life of Ursinus by making bequests that advanced the College.

A will is essential if you wish to make a bequest to Ursinus. The Planned Giving Committee, chaired by Thomas P. Glassmoyer, Esq., will be glad to assist you or your lawyer in every possible way and to review phrasing of any form of bequest to Ursinus. Write to The Planned Giving Office at the College, or call Frank Smith, Director of Planned Giving.

"The gift is being made on behalf of the Meridian employees; Joseph H. Jones, a director of Meridian; David Bahney, director of American Bank, and Mrs. Gladys Pearlstine, wife of one of our former directors, Raymond Pearlstine," Ms. Plunkett said. Mr. Jones is a 1947 graduate of Ursinus, a former chairman of its Alumni Loyalty Fund, and a member of the Planned Giving Committee for the Campaign for Ursinus College. Mr. Bahney, '49, is the son of Lillian Isenberg Bahney, who is a member of the Ursinus College Board

of Directors. Mrs. Pearlstine is also a member of the Ursinus Board.

In acknowledging the gift, William F. Heefner, '42, chairman of the Campaign, said, "This leadership gift by Meridian is an important signal of corporate support for the mission of Ursinus. We are especially pleased that the gift has been designated to the Residential Village. Meridian's contribution will help to ensure the restoration and preservation of this historic and beautiful Main Street portion of the Ursinus Campus."



Eugene Sklarz, manager of the Sears, Roebuck store in Coventry Mall, Pottstown, Pa., presents a check for \$1,500 to Ursinus President Richard P. Richter, right. The gift, made last Jan. 31, was designated to the Sears, Roebuck and Company Fund, established by the firm for the Ursinus endowment in 1973. Sears' annual contributions to the fund now total \$16,300.

Tim Hough

Grant Will Help Provide Scholarships

The Gibb Foundation has contributed \$15,000 to Ursinus College's permanent endowment to help provide scholarships for students who otherwise would not be able to attend college. Last year, the foundation made a \$5,000 gift for similar purposes.

The foundation was established under the will of Lorna Gibb of Yardley, Pa., who intended that most of her estate be used to aid prospective college students without the means to finance their educations. It has contributed funds to a number of small, private colleges in the area since Mrs. Gibb's death in 1981.

Mrs. Winnie Robb, trustee of the foundation, designated the gifts to Ursinus in honor of her aunt, Mrs. Helen Comer of Rosemont, whose mother, Cora (Deviese) Brooke Paxson, was a student at Ursinus in the late 1880's and early 1890's. Cora Deviese was related to Dr. Henry Spangler, who was president of Ursinus from 1893 to 1904. She was forced to leave the College following the death of her father, after which she established a small nursery school near Coatesville.



Art Wilkinson

Helen Comer, with photograph of her mother, Cora Brooke Paxson, a relative of the late President Henry Spangler.

"My mother always loved Ursinus so," Mrs. Comer said recently. "I've always had a soft spot in my heart for the College. I'm just so glad students who need it will be helped."

Ursinus Wins Kresge Grant

Ursinus College has received a \$350,000 challenge grant from The Kresge Foundation designated for the Residential Village, a \$3.7 million project for the restoration and renovation of the College's Main Street residence halls.

"We are most fortunate to have been chosen to receive a grant from among a large number of applicants across the country," said William F. Heefner, chairman of the Campaign for Ursinus College.

In 1985, The Kresge Foundation, which is well-known for its exacting standards and intensive review process, screened 1,369 proposals and from these selected only 140, little more than 10 percent. Kresge Foundation grants are made to institutions of higher education and those operating in the areas of the humanities, social services, sciences, conservation, religion and public policy. They are given in support of construction, renovation, capital improvements and the purchase of real estate by such institutions.

The Pattern Emerges

A total of \$9.6 million has been received in gifts and pledges for the Campaign for Ursinus. Among recent major gifts:

—A \$350,000 challenge grant from the Kresge Foundation towards renovation of the Residential Village.

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—A \$15,000 grant from the Gibb Foundation in memory of Cora Brooke (Deviese) Paxson,

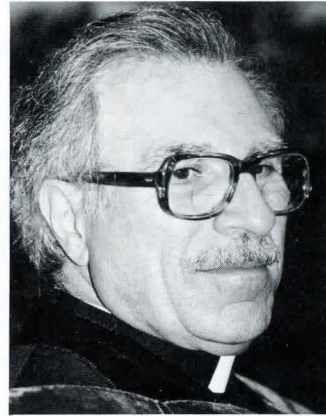
—A \$10,000 pledge from Thomas J. Shaw, '52.

And Now, The Future Commences

Pennsylvania Gov. Dick Thornburgh told them to take advantage of their "unlimited" opportunities, but to keep the good of humankind in mind as they did it. The Rev. Dr. Peter Doghramji charged them to follow their "sublime destiny . . . and go out and transform the world." Then, the 275 members of the Ursinus Class of 1986 filed forward one by one to receive their diplomas, summa cum sauna, in the 94-degree heat of May 18. Honorary Doctor of Laws degrees were conferred upon the Governor; Dr. John T. Dorrance Jr., retired Campbell Soup Company board chairman; and Dr. Robert A. Reichley, '50, Brown University's vice president for University Relations. Dr. Doghramji, minister of the United Church of Christ's Pennsylvania Southeast Conference, received an honorary Doctor of Divinity. And Dr. Frederick M. Binder, '42, retired president of Juniata College, received a certificate of honor. Dr. Patricia Schroeder, '74, assistant professor of English, was winner of the Lindback Award for excellence in teaching. Theodore A. Xaras, assistant professor of fine arts, received the Professional Achievement Award for his numerous paintings, illustrations, limited edition plates and other works of art. Sandra F. Eidle of Boyertown was valedictorian, while Amy T. Davis of Wilmington was salutatorian. Wished god-speed by President Richard P. Richter, the new alumni filled the air with cheers and mortar boards, slowly walked a gentle faculty gauntlet of hugs and handshakes, passed through the crowded lobby of Helfferich Hall and on outside into the sunshine. It was time for their futures to commence.



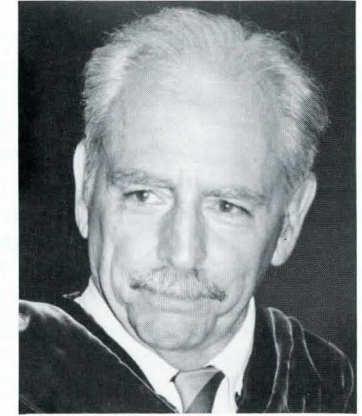
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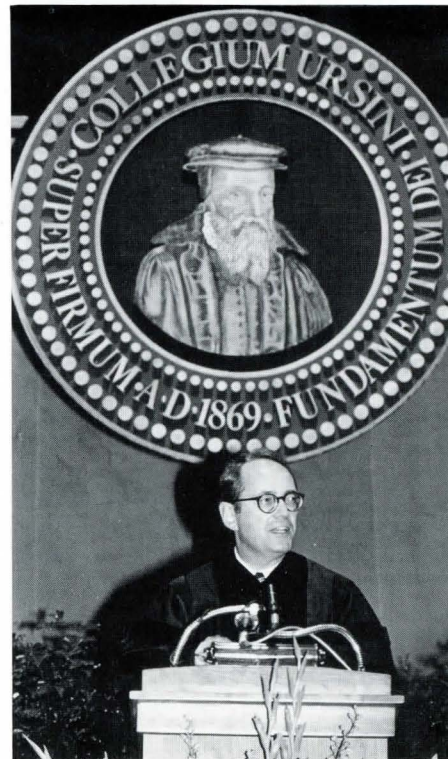


Robert A. Reichley, LL.D.



Frederick M. Binder

Pennsylvania Governor Dick Thornburgh, LL.D., addresses the Class of 1986.



Robert I. Smith, president of The Glenmede Trust, at left, and his wife, Tamara, chat with Governor Thornburgh at a post-graduation reception at the Collegeville home of Ursinus Board Member Gladys Pearlstine.



Photos by Art Wilkinson

Medical Lectures Highlight History and Future

Lectures on three medical topics by eminent physicians were given at Ursinus last spring. The series was made possible by grants from McNeil Pharmaceutical and the Pfizer Foundation.

They were "Changing Perspectives in 19th and 20th Century Medicine" by Dr. Ned D. Heindel, H. S. Bunn Professor of Chemistry at Lehigh University; "The Biology of Epidemics" by Dr. James C. Feeley, director of the Respiratory and Special Pathogens Division, Pathogens Control Associates, Atlanta, Ga.; and "Honor and Biomedical Research" by Dr. Nortin Hadler, associate professor of medicine and microbiology at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine.

Dr. Heindel reviewed the medicine of the last century, including the birth and death of a number of unorthodox medical cults and practices, vestiges of which survive today. Dr. Feeley's topic covered the detective work involved in tracking diseases in this century. Dr. Hadler discussed recent medical advances which pose major questions in biomedical ethics.

The lectures were free and open to the public. In addition, Ursinus extended special invitations to its medical alumni residing in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and Delaware to attend the series. Those who were able to attend were entertained at special dinners before the lectures. Hosts for the three dinners were Thomas G. Davis, M.D., '52; Donald E. Parlee, M.D., '55, and Robert Poole III, M.D., '50.



Daniel W. Kirkpatrick, M.D., '40, left, greets Medical Lecture Series speaker Nortin Hadler of the University of North Carolina, who spoke on the ethics of medical research last April 8. With them is Morris L. Yoder, M.D., '40.

Pilgrim Press Contest Entries Due

March 20, 1987, is the deadline for submission of book-length manuscripts in the fourth annual Pilgrim Press Manuscript Competition. The contest is open to faculty, staff and alumni of the 46 academies, colleges and theological seminaries of the Council for Higher Education of the United Church of Christ, and to professional campus ministers of the U.C.C.'s ministry in higher education.

The winning manuscript will be published by The Pilgrim Press, which is the publishing imprint for trade books of the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries.

Manuscripts are sought which are of interest to general readers on subjects including ethical perspectives on current, personal and social issues; biography, and studies in the arts. Technical manuscripts written for specialized audiences, and drama or fiction will not be considered.

Statements of intention to submit an entry should be returned to the Homeland Ministries Board by Oct. 1, 1986. The statement and all queries regarding the contest should be directed to James A. Smith Jr., United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, 132 W. 31 St., New York, N.Y. 10001.

Alumni Gather in Del., Pa. and N.J.

The Ursinus College Alumni Association has been active all spring with gatherings in Delaware, North and South Jersey, Bucks County, Valley Forge and York, Pa.

Eleven alumni from the Del-Mar-Va Peninsula attended a reception Mar. 2 at the Seaford, Del., home of Dr. Carol K. Haas, '70, president of the association. Among them were Ursinus President Richard P. Richter, and his wife, Margot.

On March 16 the Valley Forge Area Club held a gathering at the Waynesborough Country Club in Paoli for alumni from Pennsylvania's Chester, Delaware and Montgomery counties, attended by about 50 alumni, spouses and friends.

The Bucks County Area Club held a get-together for 40 persons April 13 at the Cock and Bull Restaurant in Peddler's Village, Lahaska. North Jersey alumni met the same day at the Old Mill Inn in Bernardsville, N.J. There were 24 persons in attendance.

Two other gatherings were held in April. On the 18th, 38 persons attended a buffet dinner at the York, Pa., home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Callahan ('42 and '43). And the South Jersey Area Club held a luncheon reception April 20 at Cavanaugh's Country House, Turnersville, N.J., which was attended by 26.

The award-winning video, "Patterns for the Future" was shown at each gathering.

Art Wilkinson

Teacher-in-Space Finalists Address Ursinus Students

C. Walter Tremer and Stephanie Gerjovich-Wright, the Pennsylvania and Delaware finalists in the NASA Teacher In Space Program, spoke about the teaching profession to Ursinus education students last March 4 in a presentation sponsored by the Omwake Education Club and the education department.

Mr. Tremer holds a B.A. and an M.A. in archeology and anthropology from Temple University. He has taught for 22 years, both at Muhlenberg College and in the public schools. He currently teaches gifted children and directs a robotics and space exploration program at Southern Lehigh High School, Center Valley, Pa.

Mrs. Gerjovich-Wright received a B.A. in music and an M.A. in language arts from the University of Delaware. She currently is working toward her Ph.D. in elementary education at Temple. She teaches 7th grade music at Stanton Middle School in Wilmington, Del.

Jamison Appointed

Charles A. Jamison was appointed director of Ursinus' Myrin Library last April 1 by College President Richard P. Richter. Mr. Jamison had been serving as acting library director.

Mr. Jamison joined the Myrin staff in 1981 as head of the library's technical services department. He will oversee major renovation and automation projects at the library, which are tentatively scheduled for completion by 1989.



Betty Linker, left, and Rita Banning, the new two-thirds "Ursinus majority" on the Montgomery County, Pa., Board of Commissioners.

Ursinus Has "Majority" on Commission

Ursinus College scored a political coup last February when Betty Boger Linker, '44 became the second Ursinus alumna on the Montgomery County, Pa., Board of Commissioners.

Ursinus' other graduate on the board, Rita C. Banning, '61, has been a commissioner since 1980. Mrs. Banning, a Democrat, is the minority commissioner on the three-member board; Mrs. Linker, a Republican, is the second majority commissioner and commission vice chairman, along with Paul C. Bartle, commission chairman. She was tapped February 4 to fill the unexpired term of Allan C. Myers, who had died in January.

Only one other of Pennsylvania's 67 counties has two women on a three-member commission: Lycoming County. Less than one-third of the commonwealth's county legislative bodies have even a single woman member. That Montgomery County should have two female commissioners with

an alma mater in common is a long-shot coincidence. "Isn't it incredible?" Mrs. Linker asked. "Really," she quipped, "It's Paul Bartle who is in the minority.

Although they are on opposite sides of the political fence, Mrs. Linker and Mrs. Banning both say they try to work professionally together for the good of the county. Mrs. Banning, who attended Ursinus as a non-traditional student, says her experience at the College was "a very important one" in determining the kind of county commissioner she was to become. She credited such faculty members as Dr. Donald G. Baker with having "a tremendous influence" on her. Mrs. Linker, who most recently was the county's registrar of wills and clerk of Orphan's Court, said the fact that besides Mrs. Banning, a number of county judges and other employees of the county are Ursinus alumni, makes for a certain "esprit de corps" in working for the county government.

Meistersingers Tour in Three States

The Ursinus College Meistersingers performed seven concerts in Pennsylvania, Virginia and Maryland during the group's annual spring break tour last March. The group gave additional local concerts in April and May. Led by John French, director of music and head of the College music department, the 30-voice ensemble sang a repertoire of secular and sacred music. During the last 49 years the group has appeared in nearly every state on the Eastern seaboard.

The Meistersingers gave performances in Allentown, Hanover, Quakertown, and Abington, Pa.; Virginia Beach, Richmond and Reston, Va., and Catonsville, Md.

Hair Revival a Sellout

ProTheatre's revival of the 60's "American Tribal Love-Rock Musical," *Hair*, played to sellout crowds April 17, 18 and 19 in Ursinus' Ritter Center. The yuppie generation vibrated to sounds from the age of tie-dye, hippies, long locks and love beads.

Staged by Dr. Joyce Henry, chairperson of the communication arts department, with musical direction by John French, head of the music department, *Hair* featured seven students in the principal roles. They were Scott Doughty, Chris Harbach, Stacie Ginsberg, Jenny Wirtz, Odessia Rutledge, Melora McMullen and Fred Klee. The production was part of the College's spring Forum series.

Ursinus Fields Put Bears on Level Ground

By Elliot Tannenbaum

Sports Information Director

In March the proud members of the Ursinus women's lacrosse team, national champions two of the last three years,* assembled for their first workout on their brand new field. They had a rude surprise in store for them.

Suddenly the traditional wind sprints—done from sideline to sideline—became longer, and harder, and a little bit more exhausting. What was going on here? Had they pulled one too many all-nighters?

"The kids loved doing sprints on their old field," coach Betsy Meng Ramsey recalled with a smile. "They didn't have to run as far. The old field wasn't regulation size; it was too narrow. The new one is 20 yards wider."

Apart from the good-natured grumbling over wind sprints, the new and improved Ursinus athletic complex drew rave reviews when the curtain went up this spring on three new fields—one for lacrosse and soccer, another for softball, and a third that will double as a football practice field and a site for intramural sports.

The additions, costing about \$800,000, have increased the size of Ursinus' outdoor facilities by 40 percent. And in the quality of its athletic complex, Ursinus shot up from near the bottom to near the top.

"Our field facilities were poor in comparison to Gettysburg, Western Maryland and other colleges our size," said



Mark Carvin

The new fields raised Ursinus' stock with teams from other schools.

Dr. Robert R. Davidson, athletic director for the past 10 years. "Now we have a much better situation. I think we can match up with just about anybody."

Before the new fields could open for business, it took years of administrative spadework by Dr. Davidson and others, who succeeded in having them added to the College's Master Plan. Once the approval came down, it took 12 months of real spadework by sports manager Jim Moyer and his crew of groundskeepers.

To listen to Betsy Ramsey and others, the work and the waiting have been worth it.

"We never had an official-size field before," Ramsey said. "Because it's wide enough, we can set up our attack. We can run our plays without being squished together.

"The old field (Effie Brant Evans Field, where hockey will still be played) had no grass on it. It was covered with

stones and holes. Whenever it rained, it didn't drain properly. The water just sat on one side of the field—it covered about a third of it—and you had to play in a swamp. Then there was the parking lot behind the goal cage. You didn't have any room to set up your shots.

"Penn State, one reason they dropped us from the schedule a couple of years ago, they didn't like our field. Now schools don't mind coming to play us."

In softball it's much the same way. The old field included an all-grass infield, which tended to turn normally confident shortstops into basket cases. Your average ground ball was as unpredictable in its course as a Frisbee.

Now the infield is made of regulation dirt and is smooth as silk. Catcher Kris Carr has played on dozens of fields in high school, college and summer leagues. She rates the new Ursinus diamond among the best around.

"We have a great infield now," Carr said, "one of the best I've played on. It's a very smooth surface. The ball takes true bounces just about all the time. No more weird hops."

Why were the old fields in such deplorable shape? Well, you might call it the Dust Bowl Syndrome.

If you remember "The Grapes of Wrath," you might recall how the farmers in Oklahoma overtaxed their land year after year, planting and replanting without a break. Crop rotation was a foreign concept, and in time they paid the price for their ignorance. By the 1930s, they were watching in despair as their land simply blew away.

The situation at Ursinus was much the same. Too many players, too many games, and too few fields. The existing facilities were in constant use the year around, with no time for rest and recuperation. More than half the students at Ursinus participate in sports at some level, either varsity, jayvee or intramural.

"We were literally beating the fields into the ground," Dr. Davidson said. "In the fall, we had football, field hockey and soccer using all the available space. In winter the fields would lie under the snow, and in the spring we had lacrosse, softball, baseball, intramurals. When the school year ended, we had camps and clinics and different community programs using the same fields all summer.

"The fields never really had a chance to regenerate. We never had a chance to do the repair work that needed to be done. The only way to do that was to shut them down for a time and really get in there, fill those holes and hollows, grow new grass.

"That's what the new fields allow us to do. Instead of using the hockey field

for lacrosse in the spring, we can give it a rest. The same for our other fields at different times of the year. In our rotation plan, we hope to have two of our six fields sitting idle in any given season.

No more will the facilities at Ursinus be scorned by opposing teams and feared by our own players. No more will a rock-hard hockey ball come speeding along the grass, strike a mound or hollow and fly up in a player's face.

"The fields became too dangerous to run on," Dr. Davidson said, "and we didn't have the staff or the time to rehabilitate them. They were taking an increasing amount of abuse. A few years ago, we'd have 15, 18 kids go out for soccer, maybe 35 for football. Now

we're getting 30 to 35 for soccer and over 100 for football.

"We'd been asking for new facilities for quite some time, and the President and administration in their wisdom included it in the Master Plan. We're very fortunate to have the support of the alumni, too."

Long-range plans call for the addition of two more fields to handle the increasing play-load imposed by students and by the community at large. That's about five years down the road. Meanwhile, the grass is greener in Collegeville.

**On May 17 the Ursinus Women's lacrosse team won the NCAA Division III national championship, defeating Trenton State.*

Softball players take to their new turf; the ball bounces true now.



Mark Garvin

The Bruins Club Needs Your Support

By Thomas Shaw, '52

President, The Bruins Club

What is the purpose of the Bruins Club? That was the question I asked five years ago, when I became more active as a Bruins member. I am sure many alumni would like an answer too.

The club's purpose is to encourage student athletes in various ways, both academically and athletically. Bruins Club policy is to support sports activities as well as to accord equal support to the students' academic lives.

All members are motivated to assist in the identification and recruitment of the kinds of students who will profit from an Ursinus education and enhance the academic and athletic programs.

The club, with *your* financial help, supports special projects that the athletic department deems necessary and desirable. In addition, we use our funds to award scholarships each year in recognition of students who have achieved special distinction in both their studies and in athletic competition. The annual Bruins Club Award recognizes those individuals, who through their commitment of time and hard work have made special contributions to the athletic programs of the College. Among these



have been Eleanor Snell, "Ace" Bailey, Ray Gurzynski, Dick Richter, Rollie Ripp, and all of the Ursinus women who were members of the 1984 U.S. Women's Olympic Field Hockey Team.

If you are not yet a member of the Bruins Club, I encourage you to send \$15.00 now, designating that money to aid our student athletes. Any questions or comments about the club may be directed to me in care of Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA 19426, and I will reply as soon as possible.

Please join now. We need your help to maintain and enhance these goals.

Alumnus Led Shuttle Search

The 20's

1929 Mary M. Ambacher and **Olive Hamm Sargeant** toured Germany, Austria and Switzerland from May 26 through June 11.

The 30's

1933 Margaret Deger Eachus of Eagleville, Pa., and **Alice Smith Heath**, of Cape Canaveral, Fla., formerly roommates at Lynnewood Hall, again shared a room on a Panama Canal Cruise in February, sponsored by **Evelyn Peiffer**, '35. **Midge Fox**, '35 also visited Mrs. Heath during the launching of the ill-fated Challenger space shuttle.

The 40's

1940 Willard M. Snyder is co-author of a book, *Hydrologic Modeling: Statistical Methods and Applications*, written with Richard H. McCuen of the University of Maryland, and published in January by Prentice Hall. It is an overview of the subject, from the collection of multiple variable watershed and hydrologic data to the verification of an optimized hydrologic model.

1941 Dr. T. Frederick Weiland represented Ursinus at the inauguration of Robert N. Abersold as President of Slippery Rock University last April 11.

1943 The Rev. William Daniels writes that on Feb. 1 he and his wife, Jane, returned to the U.S. after four years of ministerial service in Australia. "They were wonderful years, and we are deeply grateful for life and ministry in that nation," he said.

1944 Barbara Cooke Brashear is president of the Octave Club of Norristown, founded many years ago by **Marion G. Spangler**, '03, of Ursinus College. Mrs. Brashear, a soprano, performed at the club's observance of American Music Month last February.

1946 Robert R. Geist retired March 1 after 39 years with Pennsylvania Power & Light Company, Lehigh Division.

Betty and Reed Hankwitz conducted a tour to the Soviet Union with a group of their students in March.

1948 Jerome M. Cotler, M.D. professor of orthopedic surgery at Jefferson Medical College, Thomas Jefferson University, has been appointed director of orthopedic surgery at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

Coast Guard Capt. Karl A. Luck, '63, was conducting anti-submarine warfare drills in the Bahamas last January when his cutter, the Dallas, was ordered to lead the search for debris from the Space Shuttle Challenger explosion. For the next two weeks, his 172-man crew cruised the area searching for and retrieving any floating evidence they found that would help pinpoint the cause of the disaster. They also used sonar to find possible shuttle parts on the bottom for NASA vessels to retrieve.

Eighteen U.S. Navy and Coast Guard ships were eventually under Captain Luck's command. They were assisted in their search by as many helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft.

"The first three or four days were 24-hour days," Captain Luck said in a recent telephone interview from the Dallas. Many nights, the ship came into port to fuel up and unload, then returned to the site at top speed in order to be there by first light.

One piece of the shuttle which the Dallas recovered was a section of the shuttle's right front fuselage marked "RESCUE", a picture of which was used world-wide by the news media. The Dallas also safely recovered two sections of high explosives originally attached to the external tank, quickly eliminating the theory that the Challenger may have been the victim of one



Capt. Karl Luck

of her own self-destruct systems.

"It was the largest search and rescue operation I've been involved in," Captain Luck noted. "It may go down as the largest search and rescue operation in history."

The captain has spent 11 of his 23 years in the Coast Guard at sea (the Coast Guard rotates sea duty on a two-years-at-sea, three-years-ashore basis). The Dallas is his third floating command. He has been on "far more hazardous rescue missions in Alaska, where we were dealing with minus 50-some degrees of wind chill factor, icing

and 40-foot seas."

The emotional impact of the shuttle explosion did not really reach the men on the 378-foot Dallas. Out at sea for two months prior to the disaster, they were busy with their usual work of arresting drug smugglers, controlling Haitian migration and assisting in Naval operations, and "were not really exposed to any of the hype or buildup," Captain Luck said. "We did not have the visual association with seeing the shuttle explode, nor the grief and horror on the faces of McAuliffe's parents or any of that. So the emotional involvement was more subdued. And quite frankly we were very busy, and therefore didn't have a lot of time to think about those sorts of things."

Coastguardmen are trained to put their feelings aside in such circumstances. "You train for years to do these things, although you don't go out and pick up bodies every day—you do it very rarely. I have picked up bodies, coast guard officers that died in airplane crashes, and you just do it. It has to be done, and you just do it," Captain Luck explained.

A math major at Ursinus, he expects to complete 30 years in the Coast Guard. He and his wife, Lorie Hartman Luck, '63, and their two children, Todd and Lisa, have made Governor's Island, N.Y., their home for the duration of this tour.

1949 Dr. Irvin L. Bossler represented Ursinus College at the inauguration of Gerhard E. Spiegler as president of Elizabethtown College on April 5, 1986.

Dorothy Dean Lyne has been chairman of the Westport Public Schools Board of Education since July 1, 1986. She served on the board for one year in the late 60's and rejoined its ranks in 1979. She also teaches at Helen Keller Middle School in Easton, Conn. Last year, 100 percent of the Westport students who applied to college were accepted, she writes.

Carolyn Weaver has retired from teaching high school health and physical education after 20 years with the West Morris, N.J., School District. She will be living in Newtown, Bucks County, Pa.

The 50's

1950 Jean Daniels Bower has been inducted into the South Jersey Hall of Fame for Athletes.

David R. Hunsberger is branch manager of the new Royersford office of the National Bank of Boyertown, Pa. He has 30 years' experience in

banking, and had previously been employed by Philadelphia National Bank, where he had worked in commercial and installment loans, operations and branch management.

1951 Russell H. Fisher has moved from Nashua, N.H. to Auburn, Wash. He is working for Boeing Aerospace Company as chief engineer on a large project for the U.S. Air Force at Colorado Springs, Colo.

Robert T. Healy, Jr. has joined the Medford, N.J. office of Weichert Realtors, following a career as

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principal of several schools in the area. He is a member of the Medford Historical Advisory Committee, the Pinelands Library Association and the Medford-Vincentown Rotary Club.

1954 Eugene J. Haag, M.D. has been elected president of the West Jersey Hospital Medical Staff. Dr. Haag is an obstetrician/gynecologist who maintains a practice in Haddonfield, N.J. He is associate chairman of the department of obstetrics and gynecology for West Jersey Hospitals in Camden, Berlin and Voorhees, and is a member of the West Jersey Health System board of trustees.

1956 George W. Aucott, executive vice president of Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, was elected to the firm's board of directors last March. Responsible for Firestone's tire manufacturing operations, he has been with the company since 1956.

1957 Janet Miller Maynard's son, David, is studying architecture at Lehigh University. Her daughter is studying animal behavior at Bucknell University.

Dr. Ismar Schorsch, an authority on European Jewish history, was named chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, the central institution of conservative Jewry in the U.S., last March 3. He has been provost and professor of Jewish history at the institution.

David K. Subin, M.D. is Chairman of the Board, Mercy Physicians' Medical Group, a 250-member medical group in San Diego, Calif.

1959 J. Robert Burns, M.D. represented Ursinus College at the inauguration of Dr. Harry Ausprich as president of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania last April 5.

ES Robert C. Troxel has been made director of purchases and traffic of Shieldalloy Corporation in Newfield, N.J.

The 60's

1961 L. A. Varano, M.D. is a professor in Radiology at Hershey Medical Center, and director of its residency program. He and his wife have three children, the oldest of whom, at 17, is beginning to think about college.

1962 The Rev. Howard Friend, his wife, **Betsy Drake Friend**, and **Linda Peiffer Manzo**, recently met in Managua, Nicaragua. The Friends were with a small group of Philadelphians doing

Pain is as common as the ordinary cold; and chronic pain—pain that lasts more than six months in spite of treatment—disables nearly 60 million persons in the United States each year. Uncommon methods are required to combat it.

Pierre L. LeRoy, M.D., '51, sees the existence of such pain as a challenge. He has spent much of his professional life sparring with it. The shelves of his comfortably-decorated office are filled with professional books, magazines and pamphlets about hurting, with titles like *Pain; The Proceedings of the First World Congress on Pain*; "The Clinical Journal of Pain"; "Pain Update," and "Pain Newsletter."

A clinician, teacher, researcher and inventor, Dr. LeRoy is medical director of the Delaware Pain Clinic in Newark, Del., which he founded in 1972. There, the methods employed in diagnosing and treating aches, spasms, and throbs literally span the centuries from Hippocrates to NASA. In addition to directing his clinic, Dr. LeRoy is senior attending neurosurgeon at Wilmington Medical Center, Chief Neurosurgeon at St. Francis Hospital, Wilmington, and is a consultant to four other hospital staffs and 10 manufacturers of medical instruments.

One of Dr. LeRoy's greatest current interests is thermography, in which a "heat map" is made of the body's varying surface temperatures. He is one of the small but growing number of experts in the medical field using thermography today. The method was practiced crudely over 2,000 years ago by Hippocrates, who plastered his patients

fact finding. Their son Eric travelled with them. Mrs. Manzo was on her second trip to the Central American nation, picking cotton with a group of North American volunteers.

1963 Richard Dean is a building, finishing and remodeling contractor in Norristown, Pa. The former Ursinus wrestler offers his employees a free day off if they can pin him down, "but in 12 years not one young whipper snapper has gotten a day off with pay!" he writes.

Peter H. Vennema has been elected president of the Republican Club of Whitmarsh, Pa. He also was elected to the vestry of The Church of St. Jude and the Nativity in Lafayette Hill, Pa. He teaches

with mud and observed which parts of their bodies dried first. Today, sophisticated thermographic cameras can record the temperatures of 64,000 separate thermic points on the body simultaneously. The body's normal heat pattern is symmetrical. Abnormally warmer or cooler spots indicate disease or inflammation.

The technique is used at the Delaware Pain Clinic, and Dr. LeRoy said, is useful in diagnosing a number of conditions not previously visible through X-Rays or other means. Thermography has produced many medical breakthroughs, one of the most important being that it enables physicians to "see" pathophysiologic conditions associated with pain they once were only able to know about through the verbal reports of patients. He has assisted in setting up many thermography labs at institutions both here and abroad.

Thermographs can be used as evidence in court when pain and suffering are at issue, and also help to weed out fakers. Dr. LeRoy helped revise the chapter on thermography in the legal text, *Proving Medical Diagnosis and Prognosis*. He also is frequently called upon as an expert witness in trials. Medical thermography derives its technology from NASA's satellite photography, which also has applications in reconnaissance, law enforcement and marine biology. Dr. LeRoy works with the University of Delaware's College of Marine Studies on remote sensing projects which tie in with his clinical work.

He has invented or helped to invent 18 devices used in neurosurgery and pain

abatement. Several of these are special clips and ratchet clamps used in delicate brain surgery, which were not available when he started out in the field. When faced with a lack of surgical equipment, he would think, "Here's a problem. Let's fix it," he said. He invented the first implantable cerebral reservoir catheter, which measures both cranial pressure and permits administration of drugs directly to the brain.

He has pioneered in the development of many applications for pain treatment, for example, an implantable electronic "pain pacemaker," an electronic disk electrode which "scrambles" messages of pain as they travel up the spine, so that the patient feels a different, not unpleasant, sensation. The patient controls the signals sent by radio-telemetry to the implanted disk receiver with a small, portable radio transmitter. The disk is used in cases where no other method relieves the patient's constant anguish.

In the past, the only remedies for victims of extreme intractable pain were morphine and nerve cutting, Dr. LeRoy said. Sometimes, even severing the nerves did not work; the pain eventually got through anyway. And with these two "solutions" sometimes came the terrible side effects of drug addiction and paralysis.

Now, not only can pain be modified electronically, but there are also new pain-specific drugs which affect only the exact locations in the brain receiving the pain signals from the body, Dr. LeRoy noted.

A 1956 graduate of Jefferson Medical Col-

French at Episcopal Academy and has been a director of the Montgomery County Teenage Republicans for five years. He spent last year on sabbatical leave in Clermont-Ferrand, France and in preparing an investments course at Episcopal.

1968 Charles Lutter has been named president of Syntex Dental Products Inc., in Valley Forge, Pa.

1969 The Rev. James A. Flurer has resigned his pastorate at Trinity United Church of Christ, Rehrersburg, Pa., to become full-time chaplain of Bethany Children's Home, Womelsdorf, Pa. He had held the chaplaincy part time since 1979. He is responsible for the total religious program at Bethany and will assist in public relations, the

securing of volunteer helpers, and supervision of the Harriet Tubman Home in Philadelphia.

The 70's

1970 Kenneth Hinde has been appointed coordinator of guides for the Foundation for Architecture in Philadelphia. He is responsible for the overall administration and coordination of the foundation's guided architectural walks, and of promoting the tour. He most recently had been administrator of the Fonthill Museum, Doylestown, Pa.

Barbara Laughlin Galant and her husband,



Art Wilkinson

Pierre LeRoy, M.D. '51

lege who started out to be a family practitioner, Dr. LeRoy soon became fascinated by the nervous system. He returned to post-doctoral study, serving residencies in neurological surgery at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Children's Hospital, and the University of Pennsylvania Graduate Hospital, where he was chief neurosurgical resident and fellow. In 1963 he became a post-doctoral Rockefeller Foundation Scholar at the prestigious New York University School of Medicine to study advanced neuro-anatomy and physiology. Today he is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, section of neurosurgery, and a certified clinical engineer.

The nervous system, he said, "is a magnificent electro-chemical network that's the most sophisticated in the world." The modern medical monitors are so sophisticated that "you literally not only have to keep up in continuing education daily, but you also now must get into biomedical engineering," Dr. LeRoy said. "We are the designers of the machines, the monitors of the machines,

and we must know when they're drifting, when they're not working, and how to correct that. We never must allow ourselves to become slaves to these systems through ignorance or lack of research."

Dr. LeRoy's continuing education takes several forms: He reads and writes technical and medical literature from 5:00 to 7:00 a.m. daily ("I call that my eighth day.") He is a member of the University of Delaware Research Foundation, Inc. He attends and lectures at numerous post-doctoral seminars accredited by the American Medical and other Associations. He helps to organize and sponsor national symposia on such topics as thermography and pain management. And he serves on academic and other educational committees. He is a national and international lecturer and has spoken at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland and the Pasteur University in France. He has published numerous articles in medical journals, works with 33 medical and scientific societies, and serves a number of boards and committees of educational and medical institutions. He has contributed numerous chapters on thermography to medical textbooks.

Born in Calais, France, Dr. LeRoy moved to the Philadelphia area with his brother André and his parents as a child. He joined the French Navy at the age of 17 when World War II broke out. After the war, he returned to the Delaware Valley, determined to become a doctor. He enrolled in Ursinus and put himself through both his undergraduate and medical school, but with the

help of many people, including the late President Donald L. Helfferich and Mr. W. W. Laird. He said he is "indebted to Ursinus College" for his education. Dr. LeRoy firmly believes that students who intend to go into medicine today must read widely and work as hard as possible in order to succeed.

"They will not be going into conventional medicine," he cautioned. Still, he added, "in order to understand what's up front in science, you must read the classics; you must know what's already been written. Otherwise, how will you know what's new? There is a huge volume of literature for students to read." In addition, the high cost of medical school may discourage potential medical students, "but if you want to be a doctor badly enough, you can do it if you've got the grades and the motivation," he said.

There are other problems. Dr. LeRoy believes the double threats of product liability and malpractice suits are holding back medical progress in the United States today. He has testified before state legislative committees on the subject. "The product liability laws have to be reformed so that we can't be sued 20 years from now because of something that was thought to be wrong after the fact," he said, "because this trend is killing needed creativity and progress."

In spite of technological progress, and the evolution of health care, Dr. LeRoy feels doctors need to keep their traditional purposes firmly in mind. "The most important thing is that one-on-one relationship between the physician and patient," he asserted.

Luke, now have three children: Jenny, 7; Curtis, 5; and Charles, 6 months. (See Births.)

Mary Havens Gifford has been promoted to vice president of CoreStates Financial Corporation and Philadelphia National Bank. She has been with the firm since 1976 and currently is responsible for employee communications.

Stuart A. Kravitz, M.D. has been elected to the New Jersey Allergy Society. He is board certified in both allergies and pediatrics and practices in both Cherry Hill and Mount Laurel, N.J.

1971 Aurel M. Arndt has been named general manager of the Lehigh County Authority, the

water and wastewater agency for the majority of western Lehigh County. He has been with the authority since 1974 and previously served as its deputy manager for six years.

Alan Goldberg, M.D. has been appointed to the associate medical staff of Garden State Hospital, Marlton, N.J. He is a member of the pulmonary medicine section.

Edward S. Kepner, V.M.D. is co-author of a new book *The Complete Medical Guide to Cats* published by New American Libraries last Nov. 22. He is co-owner of Feline Health, a veterinary practice devoted to the medical and surgical treatment of cats in Manhattan, N.Y.

Bonnie Scott is a full time staff photographer for The Times Record, Brunswick, Me., and recently won five awards (including one first place) at The Maine Press Association and two awards (one a first) at the New England Press Association annual meetings.

1972 Maj. Kenneth K. Dumm, U.S.A.F. and his wife, **Meredith Brown Dumm**, '73, are residing in Fairfax, Va. Major Dumm is currently on assignment to the Pentagon. They are the parents of Timothy, 5; Brian, 3, and Andrew, 1.

1973 Dr. Winnifred Berg Cutler is now research director of The Women's Wellness Program at The Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania which

focuses on preventative health care of women.

Sam Heyser recently received Bell of Pennsylvania's Speaker of the Year award. A member of Bell's Speakers Bureau, he gave 87 talks during the 1984-85 season to more than 4,000 people in Chester, Montgomery and Delaware counties.

Robin K. John has been appointed an assistant vice president of the National Bank of Boyertown. She is branch manager of the bank's Reading office, has completed several courses given by the American Institute of Banking and serves as co-chairperson of the ambassador committee of the Berks County Chamber of Commerce.

Janet Mitchell Reading has "retired" from teaching to be a full-time wife and mother to sons, Mitchell James, 3½, and David, 1½.

1974 Jenneen Corum Flamer hosted a small gathering of classmates in her home last February to celebrate the fact that **Eugene H. Turpin**, '73, was going to a new job in Chicago with Keebler Company. Also attending was **Deborah Bumbry Courtney**, '73.

Judith M. Freelin has been promoted to vice president for Federal Legislative Affairs of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. (See Marriages.)

ES Roy Gerhart has been appointed director of finance for Farm Bureau, Souderton, Pa. He is a certified public accountant.

Barry F. Gultanoff was elected solicitor for the Norristown Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 31 in April 1985; and solicitor for Montgomery Hose and Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1 of Norristown in December 1985. (See Births.)

Kathleen Filano Santora writes that members of her Los Altos, Calif., wedding party included **Judith Paisley**. Among those attending were Peter Koiwai and **Steven Kleszczewski**, '73, and **Pam McCracken**, '74. (See Marriages.)

1975 Alan Bartholomew and his wife, **Mary Shope Bartholomew**, '76, write from Tarsus, Turkey, that their work is going well in the Amerikan Lisesi. Mrs. Bartholomew's seventh grade reading class especially enjoyed *Charlotte's Web*, by E.B. White. She taught math and science to sixth graders this spring. Mr. Bartholomew has a new computer in the school library and hopes to computerize many of his records. Their children Robert, Daniel and Lydia, are learning Turkish and thriving. The Bartholomews are "grateful for mail . . . because when we receive it we do not feel so isolated from home."

A Mission of Health and the Spirit

Courtney Solenberger, now working for Home Box Office, assisted in the publicity for the U.S. Women's World Cup Lacrosse Team, by organizing a demonstration game played during the half-time of a Philadelphia '76ers-Milwaukee Bucks game last March at The Spectrum in Philadelphia. The demonstration was announced by Villanova Basketball Coach Rollie Massimino.

Patricia S. Webster holds a new position as advertising and promotion manager with Wiedemann Division of Warner & Swansy Company, King of Prussia, Pa.

1976 John C. Moul was promoted to assistant vice president in personal banking and financial services unit at American Bank & Trust Company of Pennsylvania in Reading.

1977 Glenn Freas is head of the emergency medicine department of Bethesda Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Md. (See Marriages.)

Jean Gray, as a member of her local women's club in Winter Park, Fla., was the chairman of a volunteer blood drive in her community, benefiting the Central Florida Blood Bank.

1978 Suzanne H. Greist has become a partner with the law firm of Greist, Himes, Gettle, Brillhart & Harrold in York, Pa.

Alex Larounis has passed the certified public accounting examination, and is currently employed with a New York City firm.

Joyce C. Niedringhaus earned a Ph.D. in metallurgical engineering and materials science from Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh last March. She studied ladle treatments in process metallurgy, specifically, the desulfurization of hot metal. She has been working as a research engineer in the steelmaking division of ARMCO, Incorporated's Research Center, Middletown, Ohio (near Cincinnati), since April 14.

Candi Russell, a member of the national U.S. Women's Lacrosse Team, played in a demonstration lacrosse game during the half-time of a Philadelphia '76ers-Milwaukee Bucks basketball game at the Spectrum in Philadelphia last March. The demonstration was part of a promotion for the World Cup competition in women's lacrosse scheduled for this June.

Sandra Loeffler Stout was selected the most outstanding child caregiver in Montgomery County by the Parenting Institute in 1985. She is a teacher at St. John's Christian Day Care/Pre-School in Huntingdon Valley. Her husband, Harry, is a computer operator at I.M.S. in Ambler, Pa.

Some people shut their minds to thoughts of the millions of starving, disease-ridden people in the world. Dr. Richard H. Niemeyer, '68, not only thinks about them; he does something about their plight.

From the time he was in high school, he knew he wanted to be a medical missionary. His role models were Hudson Taylor and Adoniram Judson, early Christian missionaries to China and India—never mind Mickey Mantle. He attended Ursinus because of its premedical program, in order to become a doctor who could bring help to emerging nations.

Today, 14 years after earning his M.D. from Jefferson Medical College, Dr. Niemeyer has realized his goal. While working part-time in his father-in-law's group family practice in Lancaster, Pa., he has made a number of trips overseas, setting up programs to combat malnutrition, parasites and unsanitary conditions. Each trip has lasted two to eight weeks. His wife, Jean Stauffer Niemeyer, '70, a medical technologist specializing in parasitology, accompanies him regularly. On summer trips, three of their four children travel with them. Their youngest is not yet old enough to join his sisters, but someday will.

Jean Niemeyer has mixed feelings about leaving her children behind during the school year, and therefore is glad to bring them along during their vacations. She be-

lieves it is "good for them" to experience life in nations where the standard of living is lower. They wear shoes to prevent hookworm, and the family avoids malaria by using screens, mosquito netting, and taking preventive medicine. "All of my kids have had malaria, but they were not sick from it because they took the medicine," Dr. Niemeyer said.

He has been to the Dominican Republic, Niger, Nigeria, Kenya, Haiti, Honduras and Nicaragua, visiting some of these more than once. In May he and his wife were in Pakistan near the Khyber Pass helping establish medical facilities for Afghan refugees crossing the border. They have been asked to go to Uganda. As Dr. Niemeyer's overseas work has grown, requests from other countries for his help have increased.

Everywhere they have encountered overwhelming conditions which they, themselves, do not perceive to be hopeless.

They arrive armed with food, medicine, tractors, shovels, hoes, seed and livestock to help those they meet become self-sufficient. Their projects are financed by such organizations as Friends of the Americas and MAP International, whose backing Dr. Niemeyer has been able to attract as he has become better-known in the field. He also goes armed with "a caring, being-there attitude," and an optimism grounded in the thought that "I can help make a small improvement."



Richard Niemeyer, M.D., '68, with Nicaraguan patient.

Everywhere they have been, the Niemeyers *have* witnessed some improvement. After examining, medicating and immunizing, they teach sanitary procedures, and also instruct the long-term missionaries and relief workers on site in methods for continuing the work they have begun.

Immunizations make a tremendous difference. "Measles kill more people in Africa than any other disease," Dr. Niemeyer noted. "These people are malnourished and dehydrated. They get measles and it kills them. By that one practical act of immunizing, you can save hundreds of lives." He points out that smallpox has been eradicated from the world, and that a cure for malaria is being sought.

Motivated by "a strong Christian commitment," Dr. Niemeyer made his first mission

1979 Kaaron Benson, M.D. is currently a third-year resident in pathology at St. Mary Medical Center, Long Beach, Calif.

Janet L. Brown, D.O. and her husband, **Keith S. Kemper** are living in Skippack, Pa. Keith is an engineer at the Philadelphia Electric Company's Limerick Nuclear Power Plant. Dr. Brown is finishing her family medicine residency and plans to begin a practice in Phoenixville this summer.

Edward O. Naab has been promoted by American Bank and Trust Co. to assistant vice president in the commercial loan administration area of the bank's Lebanon/Dauphin (Pa.) Region.

Stephen H. Young and his wife, **Beth Halye Young**, '77, and their two children, Stephen, 5, and Jason, 1½, have moved to Salisbury, N.C., where he has been promoted to manager of operations analysis at the Salisbury Plant.

The 80's

1980 Gregory D. Curran started work at Salomon Brothers Incorporated in New York City last February.

Sue Ann Williams Parker and her husband, Daniel, will celebrate their sixth wedding anniversary July 19. Their son Sean Patrick will be 4 on Aug. 24, and their son Jason Tyler will be 6 on Nov. 21.

Kathryn Snyder is a partner in the new Certified Public Accounting firm of Arena, Graham & Company, the result of a recent merger of an Exton and a West Chester firm.

1981 Traci Davis was a member of this year's U.S. Women's Lacrosse World Cup Team. The team is chosen once every four years, and com-

petes against teams from several other nations. This year's competition took place last month at Swarthmore College, too late for its results to be recorded here. The U.S. was defending its world title, held since 1982, against Canada, Australia, England, Scotland and Wales. Ms. Davis was chosen from among about 100 contenders for places on the 16-member team.

Richard Stipa has been elected a vice president at Home Unity Savings, Lafayette Hill, Pa.

1982 Gregg Lawson is reporter/editor at the Cape May County Herald, a weekly newspaper in Cape May Court House. He is finishing the master of journalism program at Temple University.

John and Sharon Bateman Romer, '84, spent December 1985 and January 1986 in Okinawa, Japan. They visited Sharon's relatives in Naha.



Jean Niemeyer, '70, examines parasitic samples under the microscope in Honduras.

trip in 1971 as a senior at Thomas Jefferson Medical College, traveling, as he would in the future, on his own money to the Dominican Republic through the Christian Medical Society.

During the next decade, he made five other overseas missionary trips, and in 1983, completed his Master's in Public Health Degree at Johns Hopkins University. (He had commuted daily from Lancaster to Baltimore to earn it.) The M.P.H. courses covered ways to combat malnutritive, parasitic and other diseases, and government liaison, "which enables me to walk up to the president of Kenya and say, 'this is what you've got to do,'" he stated.

A man of tremendous energy, Dr. Niemeyer works Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at the clinic in Lancaster, and

spends the rest of the week "flying all over the country to take care of my other business." Other business includes high-level volunteer work (he is an organizer in the Mayors' Prayer Breakfast movement, and also serves on President Reagan's National Commission to promote the Constitution's bicentennial). He is international health editor of *The Saturday Evening Post*, writing articles for that publication about his missionary experiences. He also oversees several business interests which have given him the financial independence to pursue his mission work. "Some people think I'm doing all this because I'm political, but I'm not interested in politics at all," he said. The Niemeyers are active in the Calvary Independent Church, Lancaster, members of which help provide support for their various journeys.

Their mission work is a melding of scientific knowledge and the imperatives of their faith. "A lot of the reason I go is not only to minister to these people physically, but spiritually as well," he said. "My motivating force is not medicine; it is more to promote the cause of Christianity, the Judeo-Christian ethic."

But the Niemeyers do not spread the Gospel until the physical needs of the people have been taken care of. "People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care," he said.

1983 Brian F. Bereznek has been named an investment officer in the Trust Division of Provident National Bank, Philadelphia, Pa.

Timothy Grant is currently teaching chemistry and coaching basketball and track at The Pingry School, a private school in Martinsville, N.J. (See Marriages and Births.)

Mary Monck received her master's in biology from Villanova in May 1985. She is now studying for her Ph.D. in microbiology at the University of Pennsylvania.

Beverly Pancott is a software engineer with D.B.S. Films, Malvern, Pa. D.B.S. is an interactive video division of Flightsafety International, Inc.

Ann Edris DiTommaso is living in Saugerties, N.Y. Members of her wedding party in Kingston, N.Y. last July included **Kay Munzenmayer** and

Carol Moury Schwalm. (See Marriages, March 1986, *Bulletin*.)

1984 Michel Audet completed his M.A. in political science last January at Drew University.

Jackie Keeley and **Margaret Olmedo** were two of 38 to make the finals in the competition last summer for positions on the U.S. Women's Lacrosse World Cup Team.

Dorene Pasekoff completed requirements last winter for an M.S. in technical and service communication at Drexel University. She is now working as an associate technical writer at Shared Medical Systems in Malvern, Pa., and receives her degree this month.

1985 Betty Osciak is a software engineer for DBS Films, an interactive video division of Flightsafety International, Inc.

Vitae

Marriages

1974 Kathleen Filano and Mark Kevin Santora were married on Sept. 21, 1985.

Judith M. Freelin and Stephen R. Bassett were married on Dec. 21, 1985.

1977 Melanie G. Montana and **Glenn Freas** were married on Oct. 8, 1982.

1978 Sandra Loeffler and Harry Stout were married on Nov. 16, 1985.

1979 Janet L. Brown, D.O. and **Keith S. Kemper** were married on April 13, 1985.

1981 Tina Marie Bartholomew and **Steven Robert Schaffer** were married last winter.

1982 Tracy Gwen Degerberg and Martin Atreides were married on Feb. 22, 1986.

1983 Victoria Eliassen and **Timothy Grant** were married on Oct. 28, 1983.

1984 Deborah Ann Bynon and **Thomas C. Feeney**, '86, were married last winter.

Deborah Ann Keyser and **Robert G. Murphy Jr.** were married on Nov. 30, 1985.

1985 Sandra M. Lesko and **Paul R. Hope** were married on June 8, 1985.

Births

1952 Dr. Warren M. Levin, M.D., and Susan Levin, a daughter, Erika Alexandra, born on Feb. 24, 1986.

1970 Barbara Laughlin Galant and Luke Galant, a son, Charles Henry, born on Jan. 10, 1986.

1971 Elaine DeBoy Conley, a son, Christopher Patrick, born on Sept. 24, 1985.

1973 Mr. and Mrs. Bruce D. Hess, a son, Adam Christian, born on March 15, 1986.

Mr. and Mrs. James G. Reading (Janet Mitchell Reading), a son, David Tilton, born on Feb. 6, 1985.

1974 Mr. and Mrs. Barry F. Gultanoff, a son, Matthew David, born on Aug. 6, 1985.

Mr. and Mrs. David Kennedy, (Deborah Lord Kennedy), a son, Scott Ryan, born on Jan. 17, 1986.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wasserkrug (Rene Cronin Wasserkrug), a daughter, Sarah Beth, born on July 26, 1982; and a son, Joseph Matthew, born on July 14, 1985.

1976 Patricia Howard Adams, a son, Colin Manship Adams, born on Oct. 28, 1985.

1979 Michael Cunningham, a daughter, Heather, born in December 1985.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald B. Smith (Jean Pinder Smith), a son, Ryan Pinder born on Nov. 16, 1985.

1983 Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Grant, a son, Benjamin Arthur, born on May 28, 1985.

Deaths

1923 Claire Lawrence Bergvall died on Jan. 31, 1986.

1932 Paul S. Anders died on Feb. 28, 1986.

1934 Marion Blew Earl died on March 26, 1986.

1937 Ida Trout Bennett died in January 1986.

1943 William M. Keagle died on March 22, 1986.

1948 H. Ian Smith died on March 31, 1986.

1954 Fred W. Menzel died on Aug. 5, 1985.

1960 Harris I. Treiman died on March 22, 1986.

Dates to Remember

Sept. 1	Fall Semester begins
Sept. 18	Lehigh Valley Area Club Gathering
Sept. 27	Parents' Day
Oct. 11	Homecoming
Nov. 2	Founders' Day

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