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PRESIDENT PETTIT TO RETIRE AS YET UNAIDED

By RUTH L. VON KUMMER and GEORGE GEIST

The President of Ursinus College, Dr. William S. Pettit, recently made the announcement that as of March 5, 1976, he will no longer fulfill the responsibilities of that position.

Having taught chemistry as part-time, full-time, associate, and full professor before becoming Registrar, Dean, Vice-President and finally President of Ursinus College, President Pettit will retire from a career at Ursinus which began in 1902.

The primary motivation for President Pettit's decision to retire is twofold. He is anxious to take the opportunity to participate in many of the hobbies he has cultivated during his time at Ursinus. At the same time, he has remarked, "I feel that the College has spent a great deal of time with the College to permit a younger person to bring new life and vitality to this institution."

The most substantial change in the College during President Pettit's presidency will be the dormitory system of which he will not claim full credit. He feels the institution has improved greatly through its new physical appearance and plan, but more significantly the quality of the education offered and the composition of the faculty which allows for greater progress.

Dr. Theodore R. Schwalm, Provost of Ursinus College, also noted his admiration for President Pettit's academic position in the enhancement of endowment funds, the building of a development program which added many facets of improvement to Ursinus, and his general leadership in formulating the policies of the higher education system in America today.

President Pettit has been involved in higher education beyond the realm of the College; he has been elected Chairman of the Executive Committee and Vice-President of the Independent Colleges. In addition, he has served as a member of the Executive Committee of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania as well as a member of the College and University Libraries Association of Pennsylvania where his generosity and from the availability of the libraries located in Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania which constitute TLCG Cooperative members house 25 million volumes, hold book buying power of $125,000, employ 278 professional librarians. A TLCG film library, housed at Ursinus College, has been opened for small users for a fee. A union list of periodicals is in process and a plan to popularize the institute has also been the position.

We look forward to the March 5th luncheon with you. At this time we hope to informally discuss dorm policy and other problems of competition. We hope to arrive at a better understanding of what precludes we must follow.

U.C. Hosts Library Convention

(The editor wishes to express thanks to Mr. Broadbent for supplying the following information about National Library Week.)

The Myrin Library staff is celebrating National Library Week (April 4-9) by hosting the annual program meeting of the Tri-State College Library Cooperative, on Friday, April 5. Entitled "Communications—Human and Technical," the conference is expected to attract almost 100 area librarians to the Ursinus campus.

Two main speakers will be Dr. Paul E. Dubois, Director of the Trenton State College Library, on "Academic Libraries and Their Users" and Mr. Keith Deming, Director of the Free Library of Philadelphia, on the charge-over of the Union Library Catalogue of Pennsylvania to PALINET, a complete network. Mrs. Anne Filinger and Mrs. Janet Brown of the Myrin staff will be workshop leaders in the afternoon sessions. Mrs. Katharine Johnson of the program planning committee.

Resources sharing is an important objective of TLCG Myrin Library in one of 28 college and research
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cub & Key Comments

To the Editor:

I am now Director of Public Information for the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources. I enjoy saying I ‘IP’ work for this State agency, which is the heart of environmental-economic controversy. I supervise a staff of 30, a monthly newspaper, brochures, exhibits, and also a speechwriter for the secretary and am involved in policy and planning. I trained as an economist and participated in the agency’s top management. I am however, perhaps more rewarding and I think, useful to the people of the Commonwealth.

Although my undergraduate training was in accounting, I have directly related to what I am doing. I have learned much and I am as successful as I am because of the writing, researching and thinking discipline I received at Ursinus.

And, also, my flexibility and ability to change study majors (I was a psychologist) comes, I think, from my college training in the community and the social service that also was nurtured.

In sum, much of what I owe to Ursinus and I would like to do what I can to see that it keeps on giving such chances to others.

From a specialist in obstetrics I was a few years ago. I have, and still do, come into the Ursinus Hall of Fame. I have, in my opinion, many kind thoughts of those who have been part of it if it were not for Ursinus, I would probably not have. I have gladly visited the campus for induction into the Hall of Fame for Athletics and for other reasons. Because of this recognition I resided in Pottstown in Pennsylvania and became the College and decided to increase my usual financial contribution to Ursinus.

My files are filled with similar comments. As time permits, I will forward more. I hope they will have meaning to you and I welcome your reactions.

Sincerely,

Glenn B. Rabach

Librarian

CLASS OF 1939

LIBRARY CONVENTION

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Liberal, Eastern College, Glassboro, has announced the appointment of James, Hunhman Medical College, Holy Family College, Immaculata College, Lincoln University, Moore College of Art, Our Lady of Angels College, Philadelphia College of Art, Philadelphia College of Textiles, Rowan College, St. Charles Seminary, Spring Garden College, Ursinus College, and Widener College.

Several positions, up to 35 hours per week in homes for mentally retarded children. This is an annual study in Philadelphia and Montgomery counties, and is followed by a weekend work in relief of house managers.

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Awards Announced

Three Ursinus research projects are receiving aid from the Vanzant Committee. The Vanzant Fund was established in 1967 by Dr. Alfred Vanzant, a chemist, to assist faculty and students in research and projects that will add to the historical contributions of the college. The fund was established by the will of Mrs. Mary Vanzant, his wife.

One of the projects receiving funds is the construction of a new police station in the area. This project will be carried out by the Police Department and will be supervised by Dr. Robert K. Schulte, Associate Professor of History.

The next project, which is receiving funding this year is the continued study of a project to predict success in college. This project is being directed by Dr. Charles S. Sullivan, Assistant Professor of Economics. He will give two visual perception tests, the embedded figures test and the test of visual perception, to students and, combining the results of these tests with academic factors, will try to predict their success in being admitted to medical school. This combination resulted in a good level of predictability that shows promise for future use.

These awards were announced by Dr. Albert C. Allen, Chairman of the Vanzant Committee and of the Vanzant Fund.

Travelin’ 9 Set

Travelin’ 9, a talent show designed to raise money for the Phi Beta Kappa Scholarship Fund, is slated for Thursday, April 28. This year, one interested in performing for Travelin’ 9 will need to contact Carol Nakas, Beardwood 129, Ursinus. The program is divided into singing, dancing, and poetry recitation.

Audition dates for Travelin’ 9 are April 13 and 15 at 7 p.m. in Bomberger Chapel.

Ghorbal’s Talk Rescheduled

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He served in Egypt’s diplomatic service since 1945. He first came to the United States when he was a Peace Corps Volunteer and later contributed to his present country, also in Washington, in 1955.

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The public is invited free of charge to hear Ambassador Ghorbal speak.

by ALAN K. STEET

ProTheatre Plans Spring Productions

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Each ProTheatre production traditionally ends its run with a musical and for this year’s spring show, based on the fairy tale of the viscount and the princess, will be written by Mary Rodgers, lyrics by Marshall Bazer and music by John M. D. Lemon and Marc Daller. This show was partly inspired by the memory of Robert E. Reed, a newcomer to ProTheatre productions.

Dr. Howard Henry is the director along with assistant director Don Garcia, and musical and music will be provided by Leso Roelofs.

Four performances of the show will be held. There will be a matinee on Thursday, May 6 at 4:00 p.m., a Friday evening show at 8:00 p.m., and two shows on Saturday, May 8, Saturday, April 23, and 25, at 8:00 p.m. All performances will be held in the Hearst Theatre.

Med Students Named

Easton’s Monto Slates Bromberg

Main Point Concert Productions is sponsoring the appearance of David Bromberg and his band at Montgomery County Community College on April 22 at 8 and 11 p.m. and Tickets are $3.50 and available through the regular agencies.

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U.S. Bill of Rights Rediscovered

1. General
As a liberal arts institution, Ursinus College recognizes that students and teachers, in mutually responsible relationships, have the obligation to abide by the standards of freedom of expression. When a student organization has the responsibility to discuss any aspect of life that has a bearing on the academic, social, and moral status of the College. The College has the responsibility to organize its personal lives with the College's established rules, and its regulations, in the free open inquiry, discover and explore various modes of thought and conduct.

2. Rights
The primary purpose of any public forum for knowledge is rational inquiry and discussion. These forums and demonstrations on College issues are considered inappropriate as a method of conducting the affairs of the members of the College community. The College has the responsibility to discuss any aspect of life that has a bearing on the academic, social, and moral status of the College. Students and faculty have the right to participate in any forum and to communicate decisions on issues of personal, social, and moral importance.

3. Freedom in Course Work
Students are free to express their own views on any part of any course, and are entitled to express defensible and intellectual endeavors in the same manner. The presentations by the teacher, teachers, and students are not to be used without their opinion, their views, or their actions, and to communicate decisions on issues of personal, social, and moral importance. Records will be released upon request.

4. Freedom in Extra-Curricular Purposes
The activities of organizations recognized by the College are considered inappropriate as a method of conducting the affairs of the members of the College community. The College has the responsibility to discuss any aspect of life that has a bearing on the academic, social, and moral status of the College. Students and faculty have the right to participate in any forum and to communicate decisions on issues of personal, social, and moral importance.

5. Authority to Invite Speakers and Guest Lecturers
Recognized student organizations have the delegated authority to invite and invite guest speakers to the College campus. The College has the responsibility to discuss any aspect of life that has a bearing on the academic, social, and moral status of the College. Students and faculty have the right to participate in any forum and to communicate decisions on issues of personal, social, and moral importance.

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7. Freedom of the Press and Radio
Student publications are free to express their own views on any part of any course, and are entitled to express defensible and intellectual endeavors in the same manner. The presentations by the teacher, teachers, and students are not to be used without their opinion, their views, or their actions, and to communicate decisions on issues of personal, social, and moral importance. Records will be released upon request.

8. Rights and Responsibilities of Citizenship
As a citizen of the United States, students are entitled to the same rights to freedom of speech, freedom of association as in other segments of the public. They are also subject to the same legal and social obligations as the members of the public. The College has the responsibility to discuss any aspect of life that has a bearing on the academic, social, and moral status of the College. Students and faculty have the right to participate in any forum and to communicate decisions on issues of personal, social, and moral importance.