On these grounds
the work of education
was begun in Todd's
School, opened in 1832;
enlarged in Freeland
Seminary, established
in 1848; elevated and
extended in Ursinus
College, incorporated
February 5, 1869 and
opened for instruction,
September 6, 1870

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Prospect Terrace was a summer boarding house located on what is now the East of campus just in front of Bermin Art Museum. It was built in the 1850's and was owned in the later years by Dr. James Palmer, who attempted to sell it and the adjoining land to the college in 1872 before the board of directors decided to build the East Wing on Freeland Hall (Derr Hall). Prospect Terrace offered board to women for $4 per week, including heat and light. It burned in 1900.

Freeland Hall was the original building of Freeland Seminary founded in 1848 by Abraham Hunsicker. Freeland Seminary along with 7 acres and 139 perches of land were purchased for $20,000 in January 1869. Stine Hall, a dormitory on the North side, was erected in 1856 and Derr on the East was built in 1872. Derr was added after UC was founded in 1869. In 1910 a new portico was added. Freeland Hall remained the center of campus life until it was razed in 1968 to make space for the new Myrin Library.
the original Olevian Hall, purchased in 1891 as the “Ladies Boarding Hall,” was the first women’s dormitory. It was removed in 1931 to make room for Pfahler Hall.

The first building to be built after Ursinus College opened in 1869, was Bomberger Hall. It was named after Dr. John Henry Augustus Bomberger (1817-90), who was the founder of Ursinus College and its first President from 1870-1890. Bomberger Hall opened in 1892 at a cost of $62,000 to make.

Alumni Memorial Library (now Bermin Art Museum), which opened in 1923, was built as a memorial to students and alumni who died in WWI.

For many years men students were required to sit and study on the left half of the room, and women on the right.

“Zachariah Baer (1534-83) was one of the most learned theologians and teachers of his time, in the second generation of the German and Swiss reformers, after Luther, Melanchthon, Calvin, and Zwingli. A native of Breslau in eastern Germany, he entered the University of Wittenberg at the age of sixteen. There, as was the custom among scholars, he Latinized his name to Zacharias Ursinus .... He was one of the most learned theologians and teachers of his time, in the second generation of German and Swiss reformers, after Luther, Melanchthon, Calvin, and Zwingli. This name was proposed by Dr. Bomberger and was intended to declare the Reformed orthodoxy of the College.”

Quoted from Ursinus College: A History of its First Hundred Years by Calvin C. Yost
Whether it is for Halloween, or just to entertain their friends, one of the favorite pastimes of UC students is dressing up. No matter the occasion, this event always results in lots of laughs and many embarrassing pictures.

Class of 1891 - “the average age of the class is 21 3/4 years. The average height is 5 feet, 6 inches, the tallest member overlooking us from an elevation of 5 feet 8 3/4 inches, while the shortest smiles up at the rest from a height of 5 feet. The average weight is 132 pounds, the extremes being 105 and 154” (Ursinus College: A History of its First Hundred Years, page 41).

In 1949, freshman girls were not permitted to wear make-up, jewelry other than watches or engagement rings, nor finger polish.

In the handbook for the 1941-1942 school year, it states that “the friendliest tradition at Ursinus College is saying “Hello!” ... an Ursinus student is never passed without a greeting.”

Until the removal of Freeland Hall, the privilege of sitting on the front steps was reserved for upper classmen only.

In the mid 1970’s dormitories were made co-ed. Up until this point, students were forbidden to entertain those of the opposite sex in their dormitory rooms.
Freeland Hall had two dining rooms, an upper and a lower, where students were served by fellow classmates who worked as waiters.

In 1962, beds were required to be made by 10 am.

In the 1950s, dancing was not permitted in any of the college buildings, except on occasions specified by the President of the college.

In the middle 1950s, hitchhiking was strictly forbidden for women.

Regulations for Boys
- Freshman shall, after the last day of registration, be compelled to wear red caps with green buttons. Caps shall be worn at all times on the campus and in town, except Sundays.
- Freshman are required to wear a plain, black, Windsor tie at all times and with the same privileges as specified concerning the wearing of the cap.
- Freshman are required to wear black socks at all times.
- Freshman must carry matches (lighters not accepted) at all times for the use of upper classmen and sophomores.
- Freshman shall run errands at the request of upper classmen and sophomores, within the borough limits.
- Freshman are required to raise (lift) their caps to members of the faculty and upper classmen.
- Freshman are required to use the long side of the circle on the East Campus, in front of Bomberger.
- Freshman are required to answer the Freeland telephone at all times.
- Freshman are not permitted to smoke outside their rooms until after the Easter recess.
- Freshman are not permitted to display any preparatory or high school insignia such as letters, rings, watch fobs, etc.
- Freshman are required to use the rear entrances to the three dormitories, except on Sundays or when they entertain visitors.
- Freshman must attend all pep meetings and home games, and work on the field on the morning of those games.
- Freshman shall be permitted to have "social hour" only two nights a week, those nights to correspond with the nights on which freshman girls are allowed the same privilege.

Regulations for Girls
- Freshman girls shall wear green ribbons around their heads until the Thanksgiving Recess.
- Freshman girls shall wear a regulation green button at all times, except Sundays.
- Freshman girls are not permitted to wear high school or preparatory letters.
- Freshman girls shall at all times show deference to upper classmen and sophomores.
- Freshman girls shall not be allowed to receive as callers young men not students of the college.
- Social hour may be held on Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 and on Saturday evening from 6:30 to 9:30. It may be held at the several residence halls, or during the daylight on the front campus.
- Before leaving college to go out of town a student must secure the permission of the Dean of Women.
- Taken from the Student Handbook 1926-1927.
Ryan Matty and Nicole Borocci show their love of Robert Indiana's art.

Kelsey McNeely mimics the *Seated Woman* by Herbert Seller.

Mary Ann Murrow finds herself stuck between a rock and a hard place when contemplating the meaning of *Harmony* (Daniel Kainz).

Adams Berzins explains what the steel beams of Steve Tobin's *Praha* represent.

Dennis Vondran admires Joyce De Guatemala's *Circle*.
The Berman Art Museum helps to distinguish Ursinus College from many other Liberal Arts Colleges.

Matt Sundheim is baffled by John Foster’s Drumbeat.

Hurricane Isabelle makes an attempt to create art when she modifies Tom Sternal’s Table Form.

Jaisa Alicea and Tamar Sternberg honor Mary Ann Umger’s Temple.

Ursinus College has an extensive collection of outdoor artwork. The various artists and art are all quite distinct. The artists are from many different countries and the art is composed of many different media. However, all of the art on UC’s campus was designed for the same task... to provoke thought and engage viewers. Ursinus has the Bermans to thank for this awe-inspiring collection. Most of the pieces found around campus were donated by Philip and Muriel Berman. Their first contribution was made in 1980 and since that time, the collection has grown. President John Strassburger feels that “Outdoor sculpture invites us to look and to think about art, about the landscape, and ultimately, about the relationship between art, nature, and ourselves.”
Everyone knows what it is like to be a freshman - adjusting to the classes, sharing with roommates, getting lost and finding your way. But it also means meeting the people who will soon become your closest friends, having your first all-nighter (to finish the paper you forgot about, or just because there aren’t enough daylight hours to spend with your friends), and beginning the first year of what are about to be the four best years of your life so far. The newest addition to the Ursinus family is the largest class that has ever enrolled here. Whether in the classroom, or hanging out on the weekends, the class of 2007 has already proved that they know what Ursinus is all about.

CIE classes discuss what it means to be human and many other thought-provoking questions as well as discussing written works such as The Epic of Gilgamesh and Dante’s Inferno.
Above: John Cooper, Lindsay Glvens, Carly Chirlano, and Natalie Vadas hanging out on their first weekend here.

This CiE class is deep in discussion about which level of Hell Dante would place them for not finishing his book on time.

Class of 2007

And the parting rifts of sunlight,
As they linger soft and long,
Move In Day!

Some students bring all of their belongings to college when they move in.

This son and dad duo attempt to make as little possible trips up to the third floor of Reimert by carrying as much stuff as possible.

Callin McGuire is carrying a microwave.

This young sibling dreams of one day coming to Ursinus College.

On August 24, 2003, students were officially allowed to move in to their dorm rooms. For the students who entered on this day, it was not a new process for them. The entire day is spent unpacking belongings and rearranging rooms so that they look perfect. Everyone helps out with the process, including younger siblings. Throughout the day, everyone was filled with smiles for those they have not seen all summer and sadness for the families and loved ones they are leaving behind. Although students are eager to move in and be back at Ursinus College, they are not so eager to begin classes the next day.
Traffic lines up at North Hall as families drop off their children and dorm supplies and say their last goodbyes.

Homer Simpson makes a guest appearance on move in day at Ursinus.

Friends Johanna Engel and Jenn McCann were two of the few who were able to move in early. So as everyone else dealt with moving in and unpacking their things, they got to relax.

Chris Keller is so excited about moving in and starting his senior year.

Dad helps unload the heavy stuff - that's what Dad's are for!

Residents of North Hall move in to begin a much anticipated new year.

On our merriment and song.
Running The Show

Who are those happy people in charge of keeping their fellow Ursinusers in-line? The RAs of course! They end their summers early to prepare for the year ahead, and aren’t finished their jobs until everyone has gone home for summer break. Whether they’re decorating their bulletin boards, attending a weekly meeting, preparing a hall project, or attempting to stay on top of their course load, Resident Assistants always have time for their residents.

Do A Little Dance
Sara Kessler shows her volleyball enthusiasm by strutting her stuff on the court.

Happy To Be Back
JoyceAnne Kourbaroulos, Katie VonLehman, Joe Calhoun, Chris Kriegner, Cristina Abreu, and Katie Higgins don’t seem to mind that summer’s over.

How You Doin’?
Chris Fox, Michelle Segalov, and Seth Ratafski sport their supermodel faces for the camera.

Now the glees of old Ursinus Peal across the downy green,

Happy Campers
Janine Hamilton and Linda Roberts strike a pose.
Are They Here Yet?
Chris Mathew, Vanessa McGrath, James Texeira, and Lilly Rosen anxiously await the arrival of the rest of campus.

Say Cheese!
Caroline Biswinger and Turquoise Johnson are all smiles as they soak up some sunshine.

Watch Out!
Brian Stephenson has his eyes peeled for mischief before classes have even begun.

Having A Little Too Much Fun
JoyceAnne Koubaroulis and Brett Scipioni seemed to need a break to let it all hang out after a day of strenuous RA training.
Busy Walkways

Hey, where’s everyone going...oh, that’s right...classes started.

Learning the Basics

“Ok, so this is how you correctly use a pipette.” (Biology 111 lab)

Class in Session

Whether you were ready or not, the 2003-2004 school year got underway on Monday, August 25th. Classes started bright and early with anxious freshmen and many seniors wishing they had more time before the “real world.”

The sophomores were glad they were no longer freshmen and the juniors were eager to put another year under their belts.

Regardless of what year they are in, everyone is ready for another year of endless reading, papers and late nights in the library. Let’s not forget all the fun and crazy times with friends that will be mixed in there. We’ll all put together the right combination of work and play to make a successful year!

2003 - 2004

From Memorial to Olevian
Span the distance far between,

Chatting it up

“Maybe if we stand in the hall long enough, we won’t have to go to class.”
Group Discussions
Dr. Cameron leads a meeting of the minds, in español no less. (Spanish 308)

Research
The Future of Wyeth. (K. DiLeo)

Presentations
Time for some power point!! (S. Kessler, S. Mathews and K. Bell)

Valuable Lessons
Dr. Bailey lets us know how are bodies are supposed to work. (Biology 306)

All Alone
“Did they cancel class again and not tell me?” (N. Esposito)
The summer adventures of Ursinus students vary greatly depending on one's major and career goals. Some people spend their summer taking classes in the hopes of advancing themselves credit-wise. The courses that people take range from Spanish to marine biology, which is a program that Ursinus runs during the summer to the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. Others apply for internships in many different fields. Those on internship are hoping to bolster both their resume and their work experience so that they can be a better applicant for a future job or graduate/professional education. Ursinus is the home of a unique program, Summer Fellows, which allows students to research a project which they find interesting. In the summer of 2003, the projects varied from economics to botany to internet dating. Students from Ursinus also travel abroad during the summer to places such as Germany and France in the hopes of increasing the fluency in another language and researching topics of interest. Although the campus of UC remains mostly empty over the summer, the Ursinus student body remains active and is constantly in pursuit of wisdom and excellence.

Look at what's developed.
Above: Jen Perry '04 works on her summer project in which she used the art of photography.

Ahh the vineyard.
Left: Arrie Callahan '04 takes a tour of local vineyard while she studied abroad in France.

And the walls of dear old Freeland
The reverberations fling
Pipetters at Work
Right: Lydia Sanchez '06 and Cindy Ortiz '06 are hard at work preparing solutions for the day during Summer Fellows.

Taking the show on the road...
Below Left: Hestia Mellert '04 and Brett Scipioni '05 present their summer work at a local conference.

I think I saw something move...
Bottom Left: Alex Beatty '05 examines the microscopic world of C. Elegans during his summer research sponsored by HHMI.

Oh La la!!!!!!
Below: Arrie Callahan '04 poses for a picture at the top of the Eiffel Tower during her summer excursion to Avignon, France.
Ursinus celebrated its annual Family Day September 20th, 2003. Relatives poured in from near and far for a chance to see the Ursinus community in action. Parents took this opportunity to tour the college campus and see how we live everyday. Students presented their research in Pfahler Hall for all campus visitors. Later, friends and family packed the football stands, cheered on women’s field hockey, and experienced an intense rugby game. The day was completed with beautiful weather -- perfect for a picnic outside.

Freshman Ed Butkovitz shows his family around the UC campus and then stops to take a break for a picnic lunch on the lawn.

Jen Katz, Kim Dalosisio, Meghan Jarret, and Heather Trefsger of Sigma Sigma Sigma devote their Saturday to selling roses for charity.

From the East Wing to the Dog House, As our voices loudly ring.
Issie Fecenko feels the love all of her little cousins pile into LOVE statue behind Wismer.

Jenn Knapp and her smiling family walk towards Reimert after getting off campus for a while.

Hundreds of people sit outside and enjoy the weather, lunch, and spending time with their families.

Even the littlest brothers and sisters had a great day with games and prizes provided by the college.
Free Time...

When they aren't at class or working hard on assignments and projects, the student body finds that Ursinus provides many things to do during their free time.

By day they are seen relaxing with friends in their rooms or around campus, going to sporting events or playing intramurals, or participating in the many clubs and activities offered by Ursinus College.

These students do homework and relax outside of BWC. Before the weather gets cold, many students take advantage of the open space that the college has to do their homework.

Sophomore Matt Meeker takes a stroll around campus to look at the numerous artwork that the college has.

A football game is just what these students need after a long day of classes.

"This bench is comfortable!" This freshman finds a new place to do some homework.

Johanna Engel seems excited to start her homework...
And, by night the students UC go to campus parties and school plays, watch movies and play video games with their friends, and make those necessary late-night runs to Wawa, Wendy’s and McDonald’s. It’s a wonder why people are broke by the end of the year.

Mmmm, snack pack... Hiliary McNamara and Dom enjoy some quality munchies from the vending machines after a long night of partying.

Sarah Cowell practices her shot during one of Ursinus’ favorite party pastimes.

Above, friends Kate Benincasa, Britton Bongaardt, and Jenn McCann, get ready to go out for a fun night of partying.

Carissa and Jess are having a great time at this party!

These POD guys show what they really plan on doing after graduation.
(Top) The homecoming candidates lined up at the football game just before the King and Queen were announced.

(Above) This group of guys cheered on the football team from the fence.

(Right) Homecoming King Brice Shirbach and Queen Kacie Meyer are crowned.
or shine, homecoming is always an exciting day for the Ursinus Campus. While many students enjoyed the football game, others enjoyed the numerous other athletic events occurring throughout the day. Everyone however, made sure they were present for the much anticipated crowning of the Ursinus College king and queen. In addition to these activities there were also many others for the students to participate in. Homecoming was also a day when hundreds of alumni came back and participated in the festivities with current students.
What better way to start out the rushing season than with Homecoming Festivities? Alumni and present Greeks alike got together to show the rushes what it means to be part of a brother/sisterhood. Whether you’re thinking of taking part in “new member education” or are just looking for something to do, rushing is a good time! From Barnyard Bashes to Holiday Celebrations ... to Foam Parties and Glow Rushes ... from picnics to dateds - they are all part of the process, and like most UC events ... promise crazy times and fun memories!

The pigs and Friends enjoy a laid-back Thursday night with Chandler, Rachel & co.

The gals of Sig Nu and friends hang out ... for about an hour of fun!

O Chi is ready to round up some fun!
Everyone is having a great time already - and the date hasn’t officially started yet!

The boys of Beta Sig and the girls of Tri Sig are all prepped out!

"What’s cooler ... than ICE COLD?"
Sisters and rushes at the Ice Block Rush

Everyone is having a great time already - and the date hasn’t officially started yet!
“Weasley, your owl just took a dump on my broom!” Exclaims a horrified Joe ‘Potter’.

From left to right, meet: Matt “the mullet” Simeone, Tyler Pittenger as Gl Jane, and TJ Shaughnessy as Pedro Martinez. AKA Curly, Larry, and Moe.

“Natty Life! Get your Natty Life!!” yells Allison Wagner, as Police Chief, Jill “Regga” Reganato and Campus Safety Officer, Gina “the vag” Salvi look on.

Woah! Adam, your boobs are huge!! I mean....

Senior members of the Tau Sig army. I wouldn’t advise messing with them.
Isn’t that the fountain? Jill, twice in one weekend? Seriously.

No time to honor America and cure the sick, girls. Start drinking!

It’s been a rough 9 months.... Who’s your daddy?

Barney, Austin Powers, and the Jolly Green Giant... I never thought I’d see them in the same room at one time. Weird. Delta Pi may be notorious for throwing unregistered keggers, but at least they didn’t start the fire. Way to go, 944.

“Of this is ladies night and I feel alright...” Jill Wueschinski puts down her four long island iced teas to hang out in a group composed of the best four girls ever. Ps- Sly, your hat’s on crooked.

And thus end the winged praises, Of the Red, Old Gold and Black.