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Gold, Crane Receive Alumni Senior Award

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Four Years Later

By DR. WILLIAM S. PETITT

The academic year 1970-1971 was for me a memorable landmark year as it was for many Ursinus stu-
dents. Probably the analogy most closely parallels the lot of the freshmen class of 1970 in the
new realm of responsibility with its period of adjustment. Near us on the rougher edges were
some who took it upon themselves to give a little gratuitous advice and to make
a little disturbing racket in the hope that it would bring us into line, and now as the year draws to
an end, we have changed a trifle, but not nearly enough to satisfy all.

If we extend the analogy, hopefulness becomes apparent, for there is another year for each of us, and
who knows how many more? Being committed to the concept of the improbability of man we can press
vigorously on, safe in the knowledge that next year holds a solution for every problem and that we
are sure to find it for what’s ahead or whatever it may be.

So many have helped me this year and I am sure that they have helped
many of you. I think of Alan Gold, Richard Novak, John Gray and scores of other seniors who
will be graduated soon, leaving the college, but seeing good classes come
and go causes one to accept the facts of college existence with
equanimity.

Every year in college is a miracu-

ous year and life is better than the previous year. The heat of all for the student is the senior year and senior
has managed his life with perspicacity and perspicuity. But the specter of uncertainty ever haunts each of us as he
wonders whether he has prepared himself adequately for that which awaits him, and he real-

ly never knows how well he is equipped until that day ahead ar-

rives. But he can make the most of each situation, perspicacity and then
look forward to the challenge of life and hope with often and keen an
acceptance.

A negative path is illustrated by a tale concerning the mother who was shopping for a birthday pres-
cent for Junior. She picked up a gun and asked the clerk, "Isn’t this perhaps too complicated for a boy of ten?" The
clerk answered, "No, we have nothing more complicated.

It is designed to help the child make an adjustment

looking for the the

Looking Ahead

and Looking Back

In 1967, Ursinus men and women attended mandatory chapel services, class attendance was compulsory, men were
adorned in semi-formal attire each evening for dinner, women were confined to their dormitory rooms after 10:30 P.M.
during the week, all students submitted to rigidly-enforced fresh-
man orientation maneuvers during their first few weeks at
college, and only special occasions such as the annual Parents
Day were enjoyed. Dormitory life was a far cry from the several hundred bright and promising young people with var-
ied interests and aspirations all decided to entrust the task of
their undergraduate education and to devote the proverbial
"best years of their lives" to Ursinus College. For the Class
of 1971, the past four years have fostered the emotional and intellec-
tual maturity which marks the entrance into responsible
 adulthhood. Hopefully, Ursinus College has been a ma-

or step along life’s road.

It has been four years since we first made our way across the
greenwaded campus, stepping carefully to avoid walk-
ing upon the grass. We have learned the necessity of hard
work and self-control, and have experienced the importance
of getting along with others. Each of us has cemented life-

long friendships throughout the years at Ursinus College. Moreover, hopefully we have
shared the wisdom of our successes and profited from our failures. Although, in many instances,
both academic and athletic competition has been keen, per-
haps this too has prepared us to meet more ably the chal-

lenges presented throughout life.

Steady and Praiseworthy Progress

The entry of the Class of 1971 into Ursinus College, a mere four years ago, was accompanied by blaring newspaper
headlines reflecting a world twisted and torn by conflict of
every description. Likewise, the exalt of today’s graduating
class is marked not only by the traditional cap and gown pro-
cession down the long aisle, but with a continuation of head-
lines telling of conflicts, some old, some new. Unlike our
world, however, the members of the Class of 1971 have made
steady and praiseworthy progress. Their progress has been
directed toward the goal of academic proficency—preparation
for excellence in a variety of individual pursuits.

Enduring Standards

It seems that change is the order of the day, even as it
has been since the beginning of time. Yet, in the midst of a
changing world, we all have a desire for stability and a need
for standards. The world seems to suffer from the rapidity of
change. The problem of providing a sense of stability in a changing
world has been fundamental to education since its inception.

Too great an emphasis upon change produces chaos; too great
an emphasis upon stability produces stagnation. Ursinus College
has sincerely endeavored to provide for each of its
graduates enduring standards of scholarship, morality, and
behavior in the midst of a rapidly changing world. The story
is told of a young man of eighteen who thought his father
incredibly naive about worldly affairs. The same young man
at twenty-one was amazed that his father had learned so
much in such a short years. I trust that, three years from
now, you will realize that the professors and administrators
of Ursinus College were not incredibly naive.

Congratulations, Et Cetera

Now, as the years at Ursinus draw to a close, there will be
mixed emotions. Some will be relieved; others will al-
ready be planning a nostalgic visit back to the campus. What-
soever your feelings are, however, you will all bear the distinc-
tion of being Ursinus College graduates for the rest of your
lives. May all of your endeavors and accomplishments reflect
favorably upon the college which fostered your academic de-
velopment.

The editorial and publishing staff of The Ursinus Weekly
joins me in extending our sincerest congratulations to you
upon the occasion of your graduation from Ursinus College.

We hope that all of you attain a lifetime full of success and
happiness, and that your most valued dreams come true. Our
best wishes will be with all of you as you proceed to do the
world’s work.
Looking to the Future

HONORS
HONORARY DEGREES
Samuel Lucas Gandy .................................................. Doctor of Divinity
Harrison Evans Salisbury ............................................ Doctor of Letters

COMMENCEMENT HONORS
VALEDCITORIAN:  
Patricia Anne Mellon — magna cum laude

SALUTATORIAN:  
Larry Gene Schults — magna cum laude

MAGNA CUM LAUDE:  
Alan Paul Novak

CUM LAUDE:  
Karen Ann Richardson  
Edna Frances Ball  
Jane Louise Herold  
Ginger Lou Singeitt  
Richard Don Gayer  
Richard Bruce Thatcher  
Kathryn Eleanor Mohler  
Ruth Elizabeth Crompton  
Laura MacMillen Herdeggen  
David Arthur Fell  
Alan Cary Gold  
Mary Ellen Tomascoss  
Mark Stephen Hallinger

DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

BIOLGY
ECONOMICS
FINE ARTS
GERMAN
HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION
HISTORY

MATHEMATICS

PHILOSOPHY & RELIGION

PHYSICS

POLITICAL SCIENCE

PSYCHOLOGY

ROMANCE LANGUAGE (French)

Speakers Selected

By CAROL BARONBLITT

Ms. Patricia A. Mellon and Mr. Larry G. Schults will be Valedictorians. They have also been involved in the graduating class of Ursinus College at Commencement ceremonies throughout the years, beginning in 1971, at 2:00 P.M. in Wanner Hall.

Miss Mellon, Valedictorian, is a Chemistry major from Philadelphia, Pa. While attending Ursinus, she was active in the Marching and Concert Band, the Messiah Chorus, the Pi Nu Epsilon Music Fraternity (historian, 1970-71), and the New- 
mans Club. Miss Mellon graduated from Germantown High School; she was a member of the Band, Orchestra, and National Honor Society.

Mr. Schults, Salutatorian, is a mathematics major from Barto, Pa. At Ursinus, he was President of the Mathematics Club (1970-71). He graduated from Boyertown High School and was a member of the National Honor Society.

Both students are affiliated with the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society as Chapter Scholars at Ursinus.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

GOLD, CRANE RECEIVE ALUMNI SENIOR AWARD

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Alan will be entering the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia this fall. He plans to pursue a career in the field of surgery.

Cris K. Crane, a senior history major from Kingston, Pennsylvania, has also been involved in a host of extra-curricular activities. Cris was recently elected as the permanent President of the Class of 1971. Her other activities at Ur- 

Class of 1971 (2 years), Phi Alpha Psi, Secretary-  
Phi Beta Kappa, Secretary-Treasu- 
Overseers of the Brownback-Anders Pre-  
Society, Secretary-Treasu- 
State, Assistant Sports Editor of The Ursinus  

CONGRATULATIONS, SENIORS!