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## Editorial

In this special issue, devoted to the senior class, we hoped to remind you of "those special times"—at least a few of them. We also want to remind you that as a class, you'll be missed; and we, the College, will remember all you've given to us.

*The Grizzly* expresses appreciation to senior staff members. Diana Wilson, who single-handedly set our financial records straight. THANK YOU! At least now, the creditors won't be after us.

Kathy Krohnert and Cindy Nitschmann finally gave our photographs some credibility and clarity. And Roving Reporters Molly Manzo and Sarah Shelnut, (you remember, the two who it seemed were always taking pictures in Wismer), thank you for dedicating two years to that sometimes monotonous job and for always adding a spark of creativity to your column.

Thanks also to Maryann Antenucci who devoted many of her busy hours working with us as new editors.

Maria D'Arcangelo, while working on her literary magazine, always found some time to help us out with *The Grizzly*.

Thank you Ed Wentzel, for not only faithfully circulating *The Grizzly* each week, but also for keeping us in line.

And I'll miss Karen Singhofen the most. My closest friend devoted her "spare" time to typesetting *The Grizzly*, but more importantly, she supported me in my endeavors and provided continuous counsel during my personal and academic traumas. THANK YOU for always rescuing me from the "depths of despair" and for providing me with a plethora of memories—as well as fantastic library displays.

To all the seniors, who miraculously survived four years of classes, exams, weekends, etc., etc., etc.—CONGRATULATIONS! *The Grizzly* wishes you the best luck for a successful and rewarding future. Come visit soon!

JMK

## Campus Memo

Some seniors who helped choose commencement speakers did not think their classmates wanted to hear the usual generalities, the rosy rhetoric of spring.

They wanted seniors to be spared the call to become the leaders of the twenty-first century. They did not want commencement cluttered with images of torches passing to a new generation. They felt seniors would be bored by facile words that placed the burden of the future on their shoulders.

"You ARE the future." Spare us, they said.

Having purveyed a commencement platitude or two in my time, I found this attitude refreshing and realistic. The members of the graduating class are not marching off into a romantic horizon where heroic achievements will be the norm.

Their commencement celebration will end. Their diplomas will be framed and displayed or tucked away in bureau drawers. They will move to a different scene—the busy workplace or a graduate-level academic institution. And life will continue, full of very concrete tests of nerve and skill and knowledge, not unlike those experienced for four years at Ursinus—just more advanced.

BY LORA HART  
Grizzly Editor

Nothing is harder than saying good-bye. Especially saying good-bye to graduating seniors. Everybody cries 'cause they think it's the last time they are ever going to see their friends, and the faculty, and Ursinus campus. Moms and Dads cry because their little boys and girls are graduating from college. Kleenex and Puffs cry with joy because they are making a fortune off everybody's tears.

I'll probably cry, too. However, for me that's no big deal because I've been known to cry over dumb stuff, like Tom Cruise getting married. I'm anticipating a big cry though, and I already stocked up with a crate of Puffs and my waterproof mascara.

I have to say some special good-byes, especially to those members of *The Grizzly* staff that have made my life easier this past year. Only I don't just want to say goodbye, I want to wish you the best. Your entire futures are ahead of you and I hope you 'Go For It.' Go for everything and have a great time doing it.

Goodbye, Karen. Thanks for

I think the trouble with most commencement generalities is not that they are inaccurate but that they are untimely. At the age of 21 or 22, college graduates are not finished preparing. Although they have finished four years of college, they must learn much more before they begin to make a real contribution. When you are wondering what graduate school exams will be like or worrying whether you chose the right entry-level job (worse yet, wondering whether an entry-level job will open up), you are not likely to hear the call for the moral leadership of a new age from the commencement podium.

I cannot remember the generalities uttered at my own commencement in 1953. But I do recall something that the President told us about preparing. A few seniors were visiting President Norman E. McClure in his study one evening, and he talked about the time needed to get ready to do something of consequence with one's life. "Everything you do until at least the age of 30 will be preparation," he said. From the perspective of a twenty-two-year-old, that seemed like an unbearable sentence. But of course time proved he was right.

Little will be lost, then, if we spare the graduates the usual

## Hartlines

helping us out with typing, and listening to me grump all year long. Thanks for being my friend, as well as Jean's, and helping us stay off each other's nerves all year long. Have a great time in England. Say 'hi' to Chuck and Di for me.

Goodbye, Madame Prez. and all the seniors of KDK. I'm going to miss everyone of you and think of you at every meeting and sorority function. I only hope you come back and visit often. No dinner dance or dated party will ever be the same.

Goodbye, Pam. I'm going to miss you a lot. Nobody can make me laugh like you do. You're the only person I know that is as gullible as I am. I won't know what to do without our ESP and our talks. There's no one else in this world that can mouth off to store employees and get a job at the same time. Good luck.

And a special goodbye to my favorite senior. Thanks for being my best friend these past three years. Ursinus won't be the same without you. I wish you the best.

Good luck, Class of '88. I hope

generalities. Let them live a while longer in the specific, nitty-gritty, highly focused, concentrated, concrete reality of things. It is where they must continue to flourish if they are to be suitably prepared.

Alfred North Whitehead said it this way: "To write poetry you must study metre; and to build bridges you must be learned in the strength of material. Even the Hebrew prophets had learned to write, probably in those days requiring no mean effort. The untutored art of genius is—in the words of the Prayer Book—a vain thing, fondly invented."

Fortunately, the truth will dawn on our graduates in time, before it is too late for the human race. In due course it will become obvious to them that they indeed ARE the future. They will be poets; they will be builders; they will be prophets. They will grow into the realization that this very earth is for the living generation and that their generation will have no choice but to inherit it.

For now, let us simply say, "Well done in the preparations you have made so far—and good luck in the preparations you still must make."

Richard P. Whitehead

you all find high paying jobs with promise for great futures now, or after graduate school. I hope you all get everything you want out of life and are very happy.

And now onto a positive note. I'm kind of glad you're all leaving, also. 'Cause now I'm a senior and I'm practicing my senioritis. I think I have class-cutting down to a science and am fully prepared to be a senior.



# Valedictorian Ritter Evaluates UC

BY MICHELLE L. GRANDE  
Grizzly Copy Editor

One word can describe Debra L. Ritter's four years at Ursinus: busy! Ritter, valedictorian of the class of 1988, has earned summa cum laude distinction while she has maintained a busy schedule of work and extracurricular activities.

A graduate of Boyertown High School, Ritter has commuted to Ursinus for four years. She has worked part-time throughout her college career and has served three years as a waitress and one year as a tax assistant to an accountant. Completing a major in Economics and Business Administration, she hopes to return to school someday and earn a master's degree, but after graduation she will begin an entry-level position working with pensions at the Valley Forge Consultant Corporation.

She was surprised that obtaining a job was, in many ways, difficult, but she says, "You've got to start [working] realistically at first."

Some of Ritter's activities while she attended Ursinus have included

the Organization of Commuting Students (vice-president and president), Phi Sigma Iota (president for one year), the national foreign language fraternity Omicron Delta Epsilon, the economics honor society, *The Lantern*, and Pi Gamma Mu (the national social science fraternity).

In addition, she is a Chapter Scholar and a member of the *National Dean's List*, *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, and *Outstanding College Students of America*. She also earned a "certificat pratique de francais economique" in her junior year for achievement in economic and business French.

Ritter also has participated in an overseas program in France and has visited West Germany. She spent seven weeks in France in an intensive program offered by Bryn Mawr College and spent a week in West Berlin to visit Ursinus alumna Manisha Shendge. Enthusiastic about her experience abroad, she says, "I encourage everyone to go abroad. It opens up your perspec-

tive....You have to assimilate into another culture, and you see your own life differently." Ritter also emphasizes that traveling abroad helps to break down stereotypes and to promote interdependent relations among nations. Finally,



she visited the Berlin Wall and was profoundly affected by this experience.

Ritter has also helped Ursinus plan for the future by serving with the Task Force on the Academic

Program and by working with other commuters in promoting the Commuter Assistant program. In the fall the Commuter Assistant will serve as a liaison between commuters and the administration to strengthen their relations. However, Ritter is disappointed with the College's recent plagiarism controversy and says, "I am very proud to be valedictorian, but this plagiarism issue cast a shadow."

Ursinus has helped Ritter mature in many ways, she says. She states, "The most important thing I learned is that you can do so much more than you think you can." What she will miss the most at Ursinus is the freedom to set her hours and her independence. What she regrets, however, is that she

was not involved in extracurricular activities earlier, and she is disturbed with the problem of apathy on campus. She remarks, "I see other people [here] who don't grow...I grew on my own initiative. They don't take advantage of what's offered here...it's a waste."

Ritter concludes that being a commuter has been challenging and has sometimes made it difficult for her to become "socially integrated" into the campus, but her years at Ursinus have been overall rewarding. She hopes that her status as an alumna will enable her to continue to contribute actively to Ursinus and emphasizes that personal initiative is one resource that the College always needs.

## Degrees to be Conferred

Ursinus College will hold its in the commencement exercises, Sunday, May 15th, at 2:00 p.m.. A total of 339 students will take part in the commencement exercises which will include the awarding of honorary doctorate degrees to Author-Historian David Eisenhower and Canadian Theologian, Dr. Alan Philip Frederick Sell.

Eisenhower, the grandson of the late President Dwight D. Eisenhower and son-in-law of former President Richard M. Nixon, has been at work on a three-volume history of the Eisenhower years. The first edition of this trilogy, *Eisenhower: At War 1943-1945*, was published in 1987.

A native of Valley Forge, he is a graduate of Amherst College and the George Washington University Law School. He and his wife Julie Nixon Eisenhower, have three children and live in Berwyn, Pa.

Dr. Sell, professor and holder of the chair of Christian Thought at the University of Calgary in Canada, was born in England and educated at the University of Manchester and the University of Nottingham. A noted lecturer and scholar on philosophy and thought of the Reformed tradition, he has authored numerous books, articles and reviews. He is the past Theological Secretary of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches in Geneva and is a fellow of the Royal Historical Society and the Royal Society of Arts. Dr. Sell and his wife live in Calgary and are the parents of three children.

The senior class nominated senior William Connolly III, and Political Science Professor Nicholas O. Berry to speak at Commencement.

## Saluting the Salutatorian

BY MICHELLE L. GRANDE  
Grizzly Copy Editor

Jeanne M. Radwanski, not just another "familiar face" at Ursinus, is completing a busy academic and extracurricular college career with salutatorian honors. However, balancing her Psychology major and Quantitative Methods and Sociology minors with many activities has not always been easy.

A resident of Parlin, New Jersey, Radwanski will graduate summa cum laude, yet she is undecided in her career goals. She plans to work near the New Jersey seashore this summer and hopes to find a "people-oriented" job before the fall. She has made no plans to attend graduate school, but she is

interested in working with adolescents, perhaps juvenile delinquents, and possibly in counseling, travel services, or public relations. "I'm a people-type person," she says.

Some of Radwanski's activities while she attended Ursinus include serving as president of U.S.G.A. (Ursinus Student Government Association) for three years, varsity swimming, junior varsity lacrosse for two years, and intramurals. In addition, she has served as a resident assistant, played varsity basketball for one year, and also has worked on the Dining Hall Committee and the Judiciary Board.

Radwanski also has helped with planning for commencement and the senior cruise (which will be held Friday, May 13) and has handled the clocks for numerous athletic events. Finally, she has worked in the Student Union, the Sports Information Office, and the Admissions Office.

Radwanski has received many awards while she attended Ursinus. She was a nominee for the Truman Scholarship and is also a Chapter Scholar and a member of *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*. In addition, she is a member of the *Whitians*, Ursinus' honorary society for women, *Pi Gamma Mu*, the national social

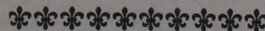
science fraternity, and *Psi Chi*, the national psychology fraternity.

Finally, she has received several varsity letters for her athletic achievements.

Ursinus has provided Radwanski with many opportunities to grow as an individual. What she will miss most about Ursinus is the friendliness of the people and the size of the campus. She says, "You can get a lot of attention....You can always find help from your professors." She is especially grateful to the Steinbright family for providing her with a full-tuition scholarship, for she says, "Without them, there's no way that I could have come here."

What Radwanski will miss least about Ursinus, however, is that "there are less new things to experience once you've been here a while." She would have preferred a more exciting social life on campus and hopes to see improvements continue in future years.

Ursinus will miss Radwanski's participation on campus, but her achievements and efforts will continue to influence and to improve the quality of student life on Ursinus' campus.



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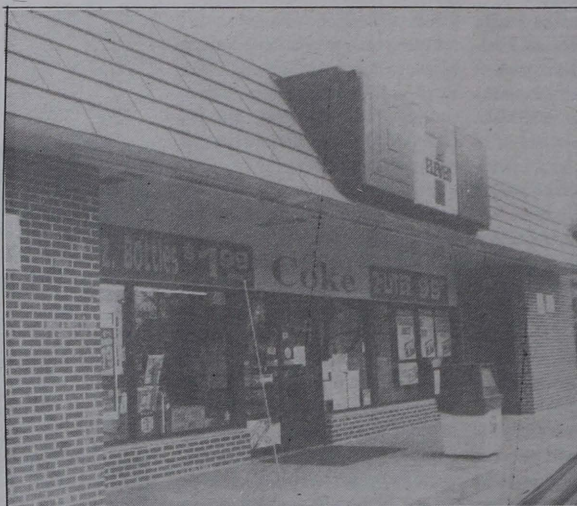
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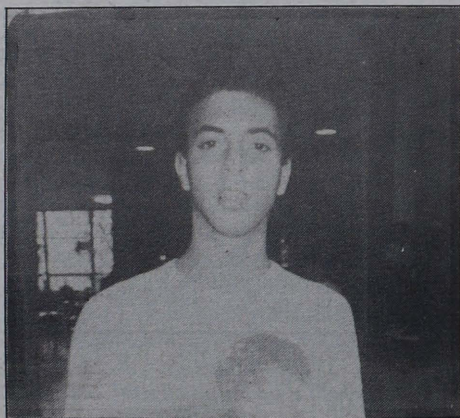
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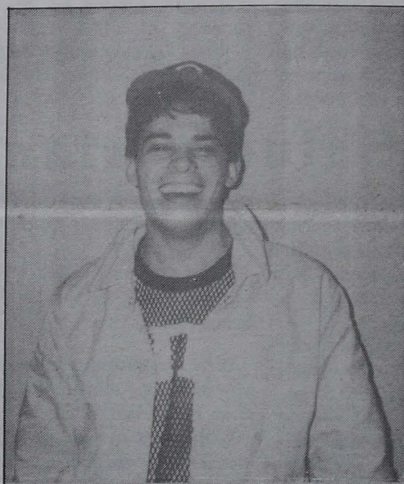
Will you miss . . . late nights and last minute papers?



Will you miss . . . running to 7-Eleven all hours of the day?



Kurt Reinheimer—  
The food.



Joe Giapalmi—  
Watching 23 hours of T.V.



Tracy Faryniak—  
The Men—NOT!



Ben Minardi—  
The lovely essence of 103.

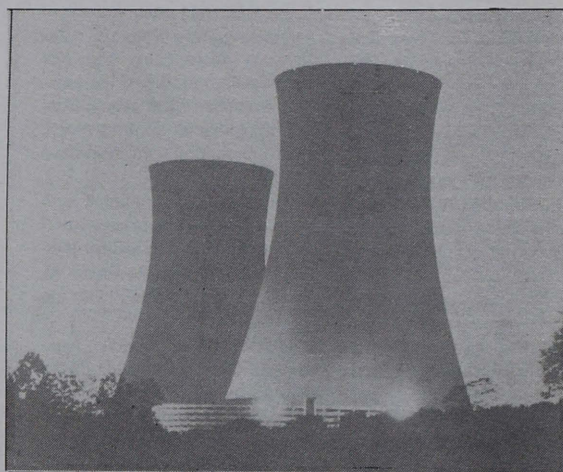
## Will You Miss . . . ?

. . . required forums . . . afternoon naps . . . CAB events . . . Wismer Chinese Night . . . shacking . . . New Men parties . . . Ursinus' unique Greek life . . . Thurs. night keg parties . . . wall shows and pledging . . . dated parties . . . cutting classes . . . campus art . . . academic probation . . . all-nighters . . . maxi dinner specials . . . obnoxious freshmen . . . final exams . . . Paisley Beach . . . getting caught with unregistered refrigerators . . . Spring Break . . . false fire alarms . . . repairs assessment . . . comprehensive exams . . . history lectures . . . morning mixers . . . rain, rain, and more rain . . . late nights Sev's runs . . . townies . . . afternoon labs . . . bedhead . . . falling out of lofts . . . reading The Grizzly Friday at lunch . . . LCB busts . . . administrative double-talk . . . failing O'Chem . . . locking yourself out of your room . . . Lucinda . . . drinking out of plastic gallon water jugs . . . drinking games . . . searching for your R.A. . . . fuzzy duck . . . maintenance mowing the grass at 7:00 a.m. . . . parking tickets . . . Bomberger bells . . . graffiti covered desks . . . weekend conquests . . . 5:00 a.m. garbage pick ups . . . knowing everything about everyone, all the time . . . "another rebuilding season for the football team" . . . PA German class . . . Bridge Night . . . the pursuit of higher knowledge!

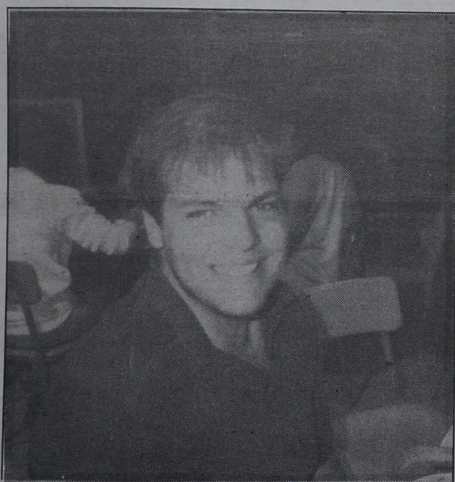
# Forget— No Matter How Hard You Try



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Will you miss . . . *the life threatening risks of living near Limerick?*



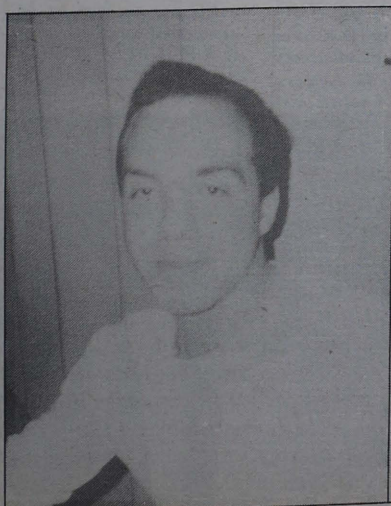
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*The Aggressive Couple*



**John Edwards**  
*The freedom from responsibility.*



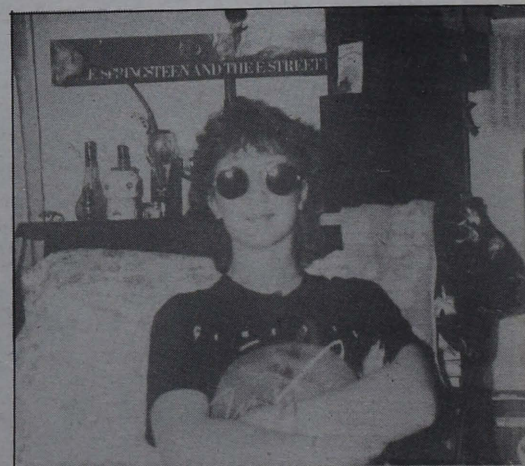
**Kris Carr—**  
*The People.*



**Steve Donahue—**  
*Yoga parties.*



**Tod Roach—**  
*Friends.*



**Bex Moore—**  
*My room.*

# Seniors Most Valuable at Sports Banquet

BY VERONICA ALGEO  
Grizzly Sports Editor

When defining the meaning of a Most Valuable Player, one may have a tendency to look at numbers and statistics. This tendency often confuses a Most Outstanding Player with a Most Valuable Player.

Albeit that outstanding players with outstanding statistics are needed for a team's success, if they do not have the intangible qualities that a coach so desires then those players are not the most valuable.

An MVP is a player who, if taken off the field of competition, would be the team's greatest loss. The team is at its biggest disadvantage when playing without its most valuable performer. The MVP is a player who leads, who is selfless, who extends himself/herself to all team members, who thrives in pressure situations, who makes the team go. An MVP has these unmistakable intangibles to go along with the solid numbers. An MVP is a coach's player.

With those aforementioned intangibles, one cannot help but equate those qualities with experience. Thus, it is not surprising that, at the Ursinus College Inaugural Sports Banquet, the Class of 1988 dominated the MVP selections.

Out of a possible twenty MVP honors, the senior class took the awards for twelve of the varsity teams. The junior class had three athletes honored, as did the sophomore class. Two Most Valuable Player awards were presented to freshmen.

The ceremony, as promised, lasted exactly two hours. At 6 p.m., May 3, the estimated two hundred and twenty-five varsity and junior varsity athletes, coaches, trainers, managers, and various faculty and administrative members were seated for this inaugural banquet.

The food served in Wismer was

delectable. It was a first-class show.

At 7:00 p.m., the master of ceremonies, Dean William E. Akin, took the microphone. Akin first individually introduced the numerous coaches. Each coach, from autumn to winter to spring sports, then announced their respective MVPs.

The ceremony continued with appropriate applause until 7:55 p.m. Akin returned for closing remarks, and Reverend M. Scott Landis followed with the benediction.

In this moment of prayer, Landis said that we should all be thankful for our well-being and for our talents. He stated that not all people have the opportunities that we have and what should duly appreciate what we have been given.

The Class of 1988 used their opportunities to the fullest as athletes and as leaders. This was evident in twelve special and remarkable people on the night of May 3.

## Jill Johnson

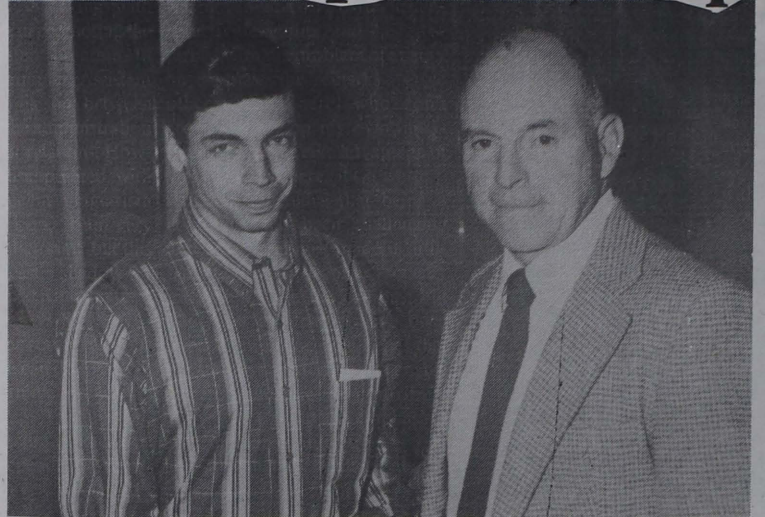
...never played lacrosse until freshman year...Defensive MVP in the national title game...as a junior, named Midfield MVP—national title game...All-American junior year...member of the 54-member U.S. national squad...will compete for a berth on World Cup Team for '89...senior & co-captain...has 20 goals & 8 assists including 3 goals against top-ranked Temple...co-captain and 2-time All-American for Division I field hockey team...lacrosse finished 13-4...her team is the #1 seed in the NCAA tournament which begins today.

## Laura DeSimone

...3rd year baseman played every game this year...started '88 season batting 7th in order—wound up batting 3rd...tied for second best number in RBI's...tied second on team with .495 on-base percentage...3rd on team in runs scored...defensive stalwart at the "hot corner"...a tri-captain in '88...team finished 11-16.



Coach Shelton with her tennis ace Dervishian.



It was a season of highs for Lowe and Coach Whatley.

## Rick Lowe

...co-captain...bronze medal in high jump in '88 MAC Championship tournament...helped aid school record to 26 straight victorious meets...won gold medal for high jump in '87 MAC Championships...set school record for high jump, indoor or outdoor, at 6' 8"...'87 Indoor Championships, won silver in high jump...'86 outdoor MAC Championships won bronze medal...won a total of 5 MAC medals in 3 years...team finished 8-3 and 3rd out of 18 in MAC's.

## Marc Dervishian

...three-time captain...1st singles all four years...set school record with 39 career wins in singles...was 10-2 senior year...only losses were to Div. I Villanova & the defending Div. III champions from Washington College in '88...led team to 8-4 record in '88...'88 team had 2nd best winning season in 42 year history...was named to the '88 MAC Spring All-Academic team (along with baseball's Todd Blue).

## Kris Carr

...surrendered just 28 goals in 19 games as goalie for the Division I field hockey team...Goals Against Average was a remarkable 1.47...save percentage 89.8...shutout the #2 ranked Blue Hens from the University of Delaware in just her third varsity start...earned two shutouts in '88...spectacular senior season after just one varsity in preceding three years...team finished at a misleading 5-11-3.

## Scott Klee

...helped team to 3rd place finish in '88 MAC's...'88 team finish at MAC's ties all-time best finish...finished as top man at both '86 and '87 MAC's...in '87 led team to 14-1 record, 2nd best ever...team finished '88 season at 24-16-1.

## Debbie Benner

...helped team to 4 best team scores ever in '88...broke school record in balance beam...broke school record in all-around...personal best on 2/3/88 vs Swarthmore College—set two

school records...co-captain in '88...squad finished at 8-10 against Div. I teams.

## Pete Smith

...captain of '88 squad...won gold medals at '88 MAC's in 100 yd. freestyle and 100 yd. backstroke...1st men's double-gold medalist in swim team's 14 yr. history...won a total of five medals at '88 MAC's...owns eleven MAC medals for his career...owns or shares in a total of eight school records...a member of the MAC Winter All-Academic Team...engaged to marry women's MVP Heidi Camp...due in part to lack of team members, the squad finished at 1-8.

## Heidi Camp

...twice a co-captain...gold medalist in 50 yd. freestyle at '88 MAC's...won a total of four MAC medals for career...owns or shares in a total of four school records...engaged to marry men's MVP Pete Smith...lacking squad membership was partly the reason for the team finishing at 3-8.

## Chuck Odgers

...twice a tri-captain...finished 25-4 at 190 lbs. in '88...won bronze medal at '88 MAC's at 190 lbs...took 4th place at 170 lbs. in '85, '86, '87...member of the MAC Winter All-Academic in '87.



MVP Camp gave Coach Zackey plenty to smile about.

'88...named to NCAA Coach's Academic All-American squad for '87, '88...earned silver medal at Lebanon Valley Invitational senior year...a three-time Academic All-American in football...'88 wrestling squad finished at 17-4-1 which included its longest winning streak ever with 17 consecutive wins.

## Kim Kraszewski

...tri-captain in '87...Academic All-American in '86...member of the MAC Fall All-Academic Team in '87...led Ursinus to its first winning season in its 14 year history, in '87...tied for the '87 PAIAW Division II Title...started in all seventeen matches during senior season...3rd on team with 99 'kills'...3rd on team with 34 blocks...team went unprecedented 12-5 in '87.

## Brigg Backer

...co-captain for '87 season...played position of sweeper...great defensive player...robbed of all-conference selection in '87...displays great leadership qualities...third year as defensive starter...'87 squad made ECAC Tournament...the sixth time in seven years that Ursinus has qualified for ECAC's...team ended season at a very deceiving 9-10...9 of the 10 losses came against the top-ranked squads of the east coast.



# Retiring Jones' Tones All His Own

BY JEAN MARIE KISS  
Grizzly Editor

I've been sitting at my Leading Edge keyboard for hours now trying to write a sparkling review on a retiring professor who has devoted forty-one years of his life to Ursinus College. Visions of my freshman comp. class clutter my thoughts as I remember the many times I or fellow classmates walked into Mr. Jones' classroom seconds after the Bomberger chimes signaled the beginning of another hour. I used to slink to the last seat to avoid all eye contact, but I just *knew* he was staring at me through his monacle, and wearing that disappointed frown of his. And I was afraid.

Two years later, I realize that English professor H. Lloyd Jones, Jr. is not the staunch, Victorian, proper gent I feared as a freshman. I recall eating dinner with him in Wismer last semester, and when I expressed my surprise at his ready mingling with the students, he said, "Why? I like young people."

The "naive, small town boy who was a bit mischievous," he described himself as a school boy "doesn't remember playing any pranks. . . . But I did get sent to the principal once for chewing gum in study hall," he reminisced with a hearty laugh. Surprisingly, though, he cannot remember any embarrassing moments during his Ursinus years. "I have a habit of blocking things out," he replied avoiding my question. "If I say something outrageous, I feel bad about saying it, and try to make up for it. . . . but I refuse to brood about it!"

Of course Mr. Jones has seen the transformation of a once barren campus into the beautifully developed campus it is today. In 1947, the year he arrived, there were only a few scattered buildings—the campus was devoid of Myrin Library, Helfferich Hall, Reimert, Life Science Building,

and Corson Hall. "I had a wonderful time when they knocked down Freeland and Stine Halls. . . ." he reminisced. "I remember . . . wrecking balls knocked down a wall and beer cans came flying out from everywhere. . . . You see, there was some sort of hollow space between the walls and I guess the guys had been tossing their empty beer cans there and, well, out they came!"

"I found the building programs of the 1960's and 70's exciting to see, and to see that. . . many of my old friends (Paisley, Helfferich. . .) are now buildings." He paused in retrospect.

He recalled his twenty-five years as Assistant Director of Admissions which eventually led to his position of Dean of Admissions. The Admissions Office has changed significantly since then. Originally located in one room of Bomberger Hall, Mr. Jones remembered sharing a desk with Mr. Goeff Dolman, the previous Admissions Dean, saying that, "We used to take people out on the balcony for interviews."

"Once we regarded ourselves as the keepers of the gate," he commented regarding the little need for recruitment because most students came

from the Pennsylvania/New Jersey area. "Admissions naturally had to expand. . . it has to do more recruiting than it used to. . . and now Ursinus is getting a much wider coverage—national coverage as well."

He described the Ursinus student "back then" as one who came from a small town, blue collar agricultural background (he suspects). "Our students have grown much more sophisticated now," he observed. He considers the "typical" student today to be "friendly, outgoing, having a sense of humor, and possessing a fount of creativity (which sometimes has to be tapped)." They never cease to surprise me," he continued.

But Mr. Jones sees little change in academic motivation. "I think we've always had the academically motivated and those who we feel it's our duty to motivate." Yes, soon-to-be professor Emeritus has always been concerned with the accomplishments of all his students. For example, in the past he has served as advisor to *The Grizzly*, *The Lantern*, proTheatre and to the Alpha Phi Omega fraternity. He has remained actively involved with proTheatre productions. (This semester, he portrayed Antonio in *Much Ado About Nothing*.)



## Professor Meyer Retires

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"Max turned out to be a very responsible person," says Mr. H. Conrad Meyer, professor of economics and business administration, of a student who streaked across part of Helfferich during the pool dedication several years ago. Ursinus students today are less adventurous than when Meyer began teaching at Ursinus in 1969. "The group has changed," according to him.

Unfortunately, Meyer will not be able to be amused by Ursinus students anymore. He, like several of his colleagues this year, is retiring. His retirement marks the end of what will probably be regarded as one of the most diverse professional backgrounds Ursinus has known.

Meyer, you see, is an Ursinus graduate. Unlike most of his fellow alumni, however, he worked in the business world for nearly twenty

years before attending college. He worked for a chemical company and performed several tasks, including research, engineering, and teaching.

Finding himself instructing his own kids and their friends in chemistry, Meyer decided to make a career change. He started attending UC in 1963, and through summer sessions and a series of course overloads he graduated in 1966. He recalls taking a great variety of courses, with the exception of science courses. "Why take general chem when you've had P-chem," jokes Meyer. In his own unmistakable way, he recalls Ursinus as a place where "even a psych major can do very well."

Meyer went on to Penn, where he earned a graduate degree in economic history. He then began teaching at Ursinus in 1969. He has enjoyed teaching a great deal and notes that teaching is a wonderful profession because it gives "a chance to correct mistakes." Meyer

has always changed his courses around, as his many notebooks from the past and present bear testimony. He always tried to keep the old ideas and introduce new ones in an effort to help his students understand. He says he has never taught a course the same way twice.

"Maybe it's time to knock it off. It takes change to make change work; I'm not sure whether I want to bother," says Meyer when asked why he picked this year to retire, citing changes in his department as a major factor.

"Every graduation is kind of like retiring," Meyer says, but this time the retirement will be permanent. In his retirement, Meyer will be spending more time at his summer home in Maine. "It's totally unplanned," says Meyer, mentioning that he will spend more time fishing, sailing, and swimming.

Mr. Jones left his Admissions position six years ago (due to the passing of youth) and returned to the classroom full-time as a full professor. He always thought that the faculty should have greater input into the running of the college, and he is glad that this is now happening. He has great confidence and respect for President Richter (who, by the way, was an *excellent* student in British Literature) and the administration, emphatically stating that he "supports them completely." "I am pleased that the college continues to emphasize that the students still come first," he stated.

He is especially pleased that his colleagues—particularly the younger ones—are actively writing, and publishing. When I asked him about his own special accomplishments, he modestly replied, "Oh, I've had a couple minor ones. . . . but I have been able to keep up with my reading. It's important to develop a broad background, and I have been able to keep up in my field."

He motioned to the bookcase stretching from the floor to the ceiling, filled with a collection of "classics." "I rarely read the current best sellers," he

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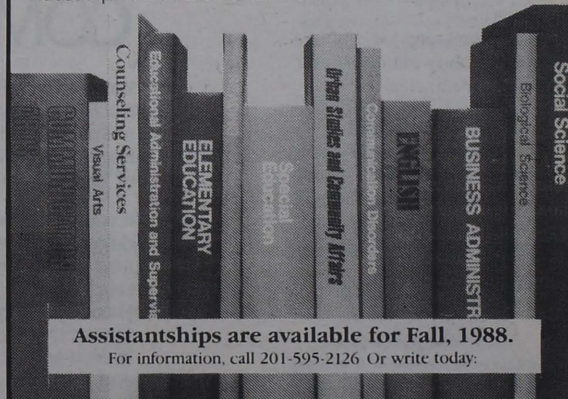
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commented, stating that it's the 19th century works which largely occupy his reading time. "Dickens, Jane Austen, Thackeray..." he boomed.

In addition to collecting books, Mr. Jones admits that he enjoys "prowling flea markets and yard sales... That's where I get most of this stuff." A better look in his office reveals part of a collection of Staffordshire pottery, paintings and reprints of "all kinds" dating from the 18th century to the present. In fact, some of his collection will be displayed in Fetterolf beginning Friday, May 13.

Mr. Jones plans to keep close ties with Ursinus. "As an Emeritus, it simply means that I'm permanently a member of Ursinus...I'll continue to have dining room privileges; I'll continue my support of the library; I'll support the art center..." (His list continues.) "But," he interjected, "I refuse to hang around like some old ghost."

As Mr. Jones played Ursinus' alma mater on the piano in Ritter an hour before the opening of *Much Ado*, (he sang in a slightly off-key voice he considers to be between "whiskey baritone" and "beer tenor"), it was obvious to me that Ursinus will *always* be a part of his life.

### Clarification

In reference to the article titled "Plagiarist Re-Admitted?" (April 29, 1988) the decision has *not* been made concerning the readmittance of the student in question.

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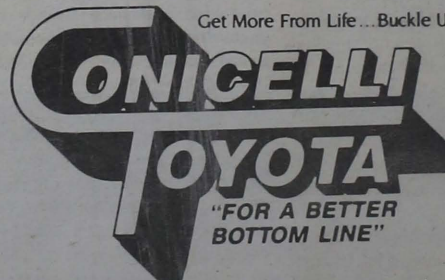
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