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Wismer Staff Pledges Innocence — Verdict?

BY DENNIS MOIR
Assistant News Editor

Exactly one week ago, students in the college community were stricken with a strange virus in which there were over 88 reported cases. Many people blamed this illness on the food at Wismer, as six people were rushed to the hospital with what was believed to be food poisoning. The hospitalization of the six prompted an investigation by the state and local board of health. Both examined the facilities at Wismer and tested the local drinking water on campus. Although nothing was found to support the notion that widespread food poisoning had occurred, the Administration has acknowledged that it is "possible" that perhaps a student or two came in contact with it.

The long-awaited announcement from Administration came in a November 6 memo from Houghton Kane, Dean of Student Life. The memo explained the nature of and the symptoms associated with the virus. Kane stated, "It is not unusual for these symptoms to appear in a college student population. However, this many students in such a short time is unusual." The memo further explains the investigation conducted by the health and medical personnel.

In an interview with Dean Kane, he asserted that after all of the tests were conducted, everyone's "unanimous conclusion ruled out any kind of food poisoning whatsoever." This conclusion was reached after interviewing nurses, Dr. Mains (one of the doctors on call at the infirmary), and reviewing the medical records of those who went to the infirmary. Despite their conclusion, Kane said it was possible that one or two out of the 88 could have been stricken with food poisoning, but any more than that number is improbable.

Students on campus are still very skeptical concerning the events of the past week and the food at Wismer. Anthony Barber is still upset that no doctor was in the infirmary the day he was rushed to the hospital. Furthermore, he cites his doctors' claim that he was poisoned. Although recent statistics taken by Wood Services show no noticeable drop in people eating at Wismer, there is a general uneasy feeling among many students who eat there.

Some students suggest that a student committee form and serve as a go-between for the campus community and Wood Services. Perhaps this will ease the tension of a campus weary of the hot dogs or the turkey.

One unidentified junior lived on a diet of salad and rolls during the height of the illness and said, "I might have ended up throwing my guts up like many of my friends did." Junior Ted Manser explained, "I have always been afraid of the food, but the recent illness has me even more wary of what I eat." Senior Dorothy O'Malley never liked going to Wismer in the first place. "The service is terrible, the food is not good, the people grunt at you, and the reusable cups and silverware are not sanitary..."

Not all of the students interviewed were in agreement with O'Malley's remarks. One senior who wished not to be identified said, "Compared to other colleges, the food is not great, but I guess they are doing the best they can in there. Plus, where the hell else will we eat?"

Museum Safe and Sound

BY MICHELLE L. GRANDE
Grizzly News Editor

"We are no longer a rural town—we are a suburb. We need to be proactive...we need to expect the worst so that we can prepare for it," said Lisa Tremper Barnes, director of the Berman Museum of Art, in reference to museum security.

The Berman Museum of Art, which opened to the public on October 22, features several important security measures to protect the museum's artwork. Tremper Barnes stated that while the Museum currently does not have a full-time security guard, additional "resources are available depending on the specific requirements of each show." She emphasized, "We're not like the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and it's simply not feasible to hire a full-time guard."

However, Ursinus' own Security staff patrols the Museum at least five times a day, according to Tremper Barnes, who said they are "very consistent" and "thorough" in completing their rounds.

Student workers are also responsible for assisting with museum security. Two students are "on duty" each day that the Museum is open, one at the reception desk and the other in circulating both levels to check the artwork. In addition, Tremper Barnes stated that she and Nancy Francis, Collections Manager, serve as "secondary resources for security" when the Museum's offices are open.

Another important aspect of Museum security is a motion detector. The detector, which is constantly monitored, features a control panel and divides different areas of the Museum into specific zones. These zones are then checked for any suspicious or unusual activity within the Museum, and "we've had a few false alarms." The Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week.

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Dinner For Visitors

BY MICHELLE L. GRANDE
Grizzly News Editor

"Don't be afraid to try something different. Don't get stuck looking at jobs that fit just your major," Daniel Lewis, an alumus of the Class of 1984, said to members of Cub and Key. "Know your worth. Ursinus is a good school, and don't settle for anything less than that when you enter the 'real world.' There are plenty of places looking for your skills," said Lynne Edwards, an alumus of the Class of 1988, said to members of Whitians. Both speakers returned to campus for a dinner held for the honor societies, Whitians and Cub and Key.

Whitians and Cub and Key are Ursinus' honor societies for women and men, respectively. Students are selected for membership in these organizations based on their service to the College through activities, sports, and academics. Lewis served as editor of the 1983 Ruby and was senior technical advisor of the 1984 Ruby. He was an economics/business administration major and also was a member of Delta Pi Sigma and Cub and Key. He participated in Fellowship of Christian Athletes and worked with Young Life, a Christian organization geared to serve high school students, during his college years. After graduation from Ursinus, he worked as a banker but did not find this job to be right for him. He then decided to pursue full-time work with Young Life and finds his work with high school students especially rewarding.

Edwards served as a Resident Assistant and was president of her class. She completed a double major in economics/business administration and communications and participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Forensic Society, and Variety Troupe. During her four years at Ursinus she completed a Federal Junior Fellowship with the Department of Navy and has since worked full-time for the Navy.

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A NEW REGION: Last week we had lunch on campus with a vice-president of Sterling Drug Inc. He told us about the plans for bringing the research operations of this major pharmaceutical firm to our doorstep. Sterling will build at the intersection of Route 29 and Black Rock Road in Upper Providence Township, a couple of miles from campus. When the move is completed, Sterling estimates that there will be 2,000 employees at that site, a large percentage of them with graduate research degrees.

A mile or so closer to campus, Rorer Group Inc., another major pharmaceutical firm, already is putting steel up for its research facilities on the site of the old Providence Farm, the home of the late william Elliott, who served on the Board of Directors of the College. Rorer announced that this will be the location both of its research labs and of its world headquarters. An estimated 1,600 Rorer workers will be there, according to Rorer officials with whom we also have met.

The effects of these companies — and others that probably will follow them to the region — on Ursinus College will be significant. One exciting effect will be that students and faculty will have access to the resources of state-of-the-art research labs and to research scientists. We already have had preliminary talks with Rorer representatives about opportunities for science internships.

In non-science areas, we also expect opportunities for students to get direct insight into such areas as public relations. We are currently discussing an internship opportunity.

The Grizzly was founded in 1978, replacing the previous campus newspaper, The Ursinus Weekly. It is published by students thirteen weeks each semester. The Grizzly is edited entirely by students. Views expressed in the paper are not necessarily those held by the administration, faculty or a consensus of the student body. The staff of The Grizzly invites opinions from the college community and will publish them as time and space permit.

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To the Editors:

This has all gone far enough. These pro-choice/pro-life arguments are getting rather repetitious, not to mention the fact that they are straying from the point. Let’s not start off on the wrong foot, however. Firstly, I would like to applaud Jonathan Ruth’s letter to the editor from last week’s Grizzly. I appreciate his sentiment, and admire his bravery to say something that most of this campus enough to allow students to believe in themselves to help themselves. They see the choice.

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The 1989-1990 Economics Club is proud to announce its sponsorship of Ursinus College’s first undergraduate Economics conference. Dr. Economopoulos and the entire club hope to establish this activity as an annual event.

This past summer the Ursinus Chapter of ODE surveyed approximately 30 schools in the tri-state area. Interest in the conference was expressed by 20 colleges and universities.

The conference is planned to take place Saturday, April 7, 1990, in Bomberger Hall. Following the morning reception and registration, there will be sessions consisting of students from Ursinus and area schools presenting and discussing their papers on Economics and Business related topics. A luncheon with a guest speaker will be held for the participants. And finally, a panel discussion is planned in the afternoon. The panel discussion will focus on the European Common Market in 1992.

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Opinion: Global Warming

BY ANTHONY MCCURDY
Of The Grizzly

"The Greenhouse Effect is necessary for life on Earth," he said. Interesting. So was dinner. Nicolas Fedoruk, an environmental policy expert, was a no great deal of U.S. environmental policy really is. Fedoruk corrected his earlier statement by explaining how we are inducing an unnatural Greenhouse that is hurting us. He also handed out magazines with his presentation. Nice cover. Shocking!

A couple of more interesting facts besides a description of Nick's: the U.S. exports 25% of the gases into our atmosphere. Some of those gases include carbon dioxide, CFC's (the stuff that puffs styrofoam), methane (cow flatulence), and nitrous oxides (whippets, gigglegun). Wow!

Solution: "Use improved technology!" Fedoruk screamed. Well, maybe not crazy, but he should have. I could imagine raving and slobbering if I spoke up there, but not him. He's well-dressed, not a far-out spiritual dude like our Greenpeace speaker from a few weeks ago. Fedoruk is a deadly serious environmentally-concerned executive type who's seen the ineffective side of government action.

We, as a nation, he informed, could save--get this!-75 BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR by cutting energy expenditure by three quarters and save 356 megatons of carbon! Seems simple enough, what's the catch? Not if we don't have the government behind it all. However, the current scenario is Big Brother Likes His Big Cars. You see, our government in the past few years has cut its energy efficiency funds to 25% of what they were in 1980. Fedoruk estimated societal costs of our energy problems to be in the range of 109.2 to 258 billion dollars, thanks to a government that can't see beyond its swollen military budget.

Common sense rebel Fedoruk proposed that we, the people, in order to form a perfect existence, must get off our lazy buttocks and act on our own! Very radical it is to replace our light bulbs with higher efficiency fluorescent bulbs. Very radical it is to use public transit, write letters to Congress (only 7 letters to a Congressperson puts an issue on the agenda!), and organize energy-efficient communities. One need not be a Vulcan to realize the logic of this man's arguments. Efficiency and streamlined, effective technology used throughout our country would boost our economy and help save the environment. Ergo, we will have more money to spend on frivolous non-products and the extended future of our beautiful planet. Think about it: if the simple "right"ness of it doesn't persuade you, let your natural greed take over.

BY JEN STRAWBRIDGE
Of The Grizzly

All of us from the Environmental Coalition would like to thank you for the letters you wrote last Thursday and Friday at lunch in Wisconsin. Four hundred and fifty of you took a few minutes to jot down a quick message protesting the destruction of forests. These letters really help! Concerned people, like you, have written persuasively to protect issues that often seem out of reach.

Letters played a major role in the cessation of slaughtering seal pups. Persuasive letters have also swayed cosmetic companies, such as Novell, to ban the testing of products on animals. Computers are now being used. It may not seem as if those few simple words written to your state representative or manufacturing company are doing much. But for each letter written officials determine a thousand corresponding opinions that they have not heard. One letter speaks for a thousand people, so please continue to write so diligently. Anyone interested in learning more ways to save the environment please feel free to attend our weekly meeting every Tuesday at 4:30 in Bomberger 120.

Play by the Stars

BY LUCINDA L'AMOUR
Grizzly Columnist

If one more person asks me what I'm going to do after graduation, I'm going to reply, "Murder someone," then proceed to move up my plans by about seven months. An acquaintance recently sent Lucinda a card displaying a rather frazzled woman saying something to the effect, "How do you expect to organize my life, when I can't even control my hair?" The card couldn't have arrived at a more opportune time. For three years now, I've dreaded, no, actually I've loathed the month of post-holiday questions: how was your break, did you have a nice break, was it good to be home, where did you go on break... But these rote questions, often asked in passing by persons with preconceived answers in mind, become welcome conversation starters when compared to the pre-life type. In this pre-lifer group I include all post-graduation queries, and everyone knows, there are enough of these to fill Bartlet's Quotations.

The worst part of the pre-life question is that it neglects and demeans what all pre-lifers (namely, all seniors) are doing now, some seven months before we hurl ourselves like some projective vomitus into the real world. Lucinda supposes if she knew what she is going to do after she flips the ole tassel, she wouldn't be so bothered by questions of the sort. But, the fact of the matter is, I do not know. Lucinda does not see herself as a rare individual here, but rather the typical confused, scared senior.

Graduating college is very different from graduating from high school for those of us who've chosen the undergraduate track. Lucinda sort of fell into college, as did most of my high school peers. Going to college was just one of those nebulous assumptions I arranged my entire life for, and when senior year in high school arrived, I went through the whole pre-graduate rigamarole relatively anxiety free.

When Lucinda came to college, I felt as if I were severing the proverbial umbilical cord for good. Now, as I prepare to truly begin my life as everyone already out there deems it, I am afraid of cutting off my own head. As one senior recently said to me, "I don't know what the hell to do, it was just so easy coming back—not that I liked it, but I knew where I was going...Christ, I can't even make microwave popcorn, let alone cook for myself!"

Lucinda feels the same way about the "what are you doing for the rest of your life" questions. If the Spanish Inquisitor is not proposing marriage, or a perpetual live-in arrangement, I wish s/he would save the probing, destiny-ish questions for Dr. Ruth. You want to ask Lucinda about a subject she doesn't feel comfortable pondering? Try: "So how did you arrive at today's exquisite clothing ensemble?" Beyond that (and this goes for all seniors), if the information's not volunteered, don't probe. Instead, ask us what our plans are for dinner or the evening, and if we don't have any, or are undecided, feel free to make suggestions like taking us to see Tina Howe's hilarious play, Museum, running in Ritter this weekend!

ARIES: At the end of the week in which you didn't get what you wanted, Saturday night will be your time to shine in the limelight.

TAURUS: After years of preserving your talent, the world will want to devour you on Friday, your opening night.

CANCER: The show you'll put on Saturday night will keep his curtain rising till Monday.

LEO: During intermission after the second act, you'll be involved in other acts which begin with the same prefix.

VIRGO: Just because your theater seats are in the family circle does not mean that you should start your family there.

LIBRA: Be sure to break all the rules this weekend while on stage, as long you don't break a leg.

SCORPIO: Tired of being an understudy?! Then stop studying under someone else, and take the leading role.

SAGITTARIUS: A bad case of stage fright will take all the passion out of your performance — don't be afraid to say yes.

CAPRICORN: Don't miss your cue when your director directs you to be a pansy, to feed your part(s).

AQUARIUS: As an Oscar-winning actress, you should be prepared to make up for your leading man's short shortcomings by taking it.

PISCES: Your most devoted fan will be on his/her knees begging for an encore after your show.

Promoting Condom Sense

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On Sunday, October 31, the first Contraceptive Committee meeting was held. This newly-formed organization has been established in order to promote safe sex. The committee was formed with the help of Resident Assistants as well as the faculty.

More specifically, the committee is working for the prevention of the spread of S.T.D.'s (sexually transmitted diseases). Students, concerned about the recent AIDS epidemic, brought their concerns to the R.A.'s who pushed for the formation of this committee. The committee is in no way promoting promiscuity, but rather safe sex.

A point raised at the meeting was the installation of machines dispensing condoms. Such machines would make contraceptives available for everyone. A similar project was completed at Millersville University with great success. Before any action was taken, Millersville informed parents of its intent and received positive feedback. Members of the Contraceptive Committee believed that the Millersville model should be used at Ursinus. But before parents are notified, a survey will be passed out to students in order to gauge their opinion on what is expected to be a controversial issue. These surveys will be concise and will determine the extent of opposition, if any. The Committee urges students to take an active role in the process.

Some concern was expressed regarding the name of the Committee. A name change was advised in order to avoid any "pro-life" opposition. The committee stresses the fact that their sole purpose is to prevent the spread of S.T.D.'s. It is in no way making a statement about birth control.

The next meeting (the date of which has not been determined) will air discussion on the format of the survey, as well as any remaining points.