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# The Grizzly

Exams—  
When the foolish ask questions  
that the wise cannot answer.  
- Oscar Wilde

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## Concerns About Commencement

by Mark Leiser

Co-Editor in Chief

After the recent controversy over the change in date of the commencement ceremony for the Class of 1996, representatives of the administration and student government met with concerned members of the graduating class.

Approximately 25 members of the senior class attended the meeting, held on Tuesday, November 28, in Pfhaler Auditorium. The goal of the meeting was to give the commencement planning committee (which consists of President John Strassburger, Dean Annette Lucas, Dean Debbie Nolan, all senior class officers, and other interested members of the senior class) a chance to explain their rationale behind changing the schedule of graduation weekend. It was also a forum for seniors to voice their concerns and ask questions.

President Strassburger began the meeting by elaborating on the memo he sent to members of the College community, explaining that, since many members of the graduating class expressed a great desire to hold the ceremony outdoors, a change in plans was inevitable.

"This is the biggest senior class we've had in years," said Strassburger, "and if we held the ceremony indoors we'd be under serious constraints," adding that all guests of the graduates may not fit

into Helfferich Hall.

With the idea of an outdoor ceremony agreed upon, members of the planning committee began looking into a time for commencement. Because of spring weather trends, and the likelihood of afternoon showers on warm days, the com-



mittee decided a mid-morning ceremony would be best.

Next a decision had to be made in terms of where exactly the ceremony would take place. While nothing is definite, the popular consensus seems to be the area in the front of the campus between the Berman Museum and Main Street.

Because of noise considerations during the ceremony, Main Street would have to be closed. "We wouldn't want to have trucks whizzing by in the middle of commencement," said Strassburger. As Strassburger explained in his memo, it would be impractical to close Main Street on a Sunday morning due to increased traffic from area church services. This resulted in

the change of date in the ceremony to Saturday, May 18.

The shifting of commencement to early Saturday morning led to the question of when to hold baccalaureate. As of now, the baccalaureate service is scheduled for the evening of Friday, May 17. Strassburger, however, is quick to point out that, "The time of baccalaureate is not yet set in stone."

Students at the meeting expressed their displeasure over baccalaureate and commencement being held on two separate days, possibly resulting in inconveniences for travel plans for family members. "We looked at the big picture," said Strassburger, "and saw that baccalaureate attendance has decreased dramatically in the past. Part of our idea was that shifting it to the night before would actually increase parent participation," he said.

A suggestion was posed to schedule baccalaureate at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, and hold commencement at 10:30 or 11:00 a.m. Strassburger was quick to point out, however, that "holding baccalaureate at 9:00 a.m. on the day of commencement would still require many parents to come the night before."

"Most people appreciate the reasoning for the change in schedules because they do want commencement outdoors," said Strassburger. He acknowledged that there will always be some inconvenience and

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## Bohanak Injured in Accident

by Mark Leiser

Co-Editor in Chief

Stacey Bohanak, secretary in the communication arts department and the anthropology and sociology department, sustained serious injuries after an accident in a church parking lot on Sunday, November 26.

According to police, Dorothy DeCreny, 73, of Perkiomenville, backed out of a parking space at the Lower Providence Presbyterian Church when she backed into another vehicle. Police and witnesses say DeCreny either blacked-out or panicked after the initial accident, and accelerated forward into a crowd of people.

The Rev. Robert Schmidt, church pastor, said, "When she blacked out, her leg was locked on the accelerator and she took off." Police reported that DeCreny's Oldsmobile Cutlass knocked off two wooden supports to a roof on the side en-

trance to the church as it sped through the lot, striking several people in the process.

One of those people was Bohanak, who wound up being pinned underneath the vehicle. Bohanak was flown to the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia for treatment of head, chest and leg injuries.

According to Sally Widman, Director of College Communications, Bohanak is still in the Intensive Care Unit at University Hospital. As of December 3, Bohanak was in critical but stable condition.

Three children were also hurt in the accident. Erin Lobb, 15, and her sisters Katie, 13, and Stacey, 10, were treated and released for minor injuries. The three girls are the children of Jeff Lobb, Ursinus class of 1977, and the grandchildren of Fred Lobb, Ursinus class of 1960.

Portions of this article were compiled from *The Mercury* and *The Times Herald*

Cards and notes for Stacey Bohanak are more than welcome. You may send them to the family's home at:

3009 Walker Lane  
Eagleville, PA 19403

The Ursinus community wishes Stacey a full and speedy recovery.  
Get well soon, Stacey!

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Swimming Off  
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## Dean Search Committee Appointed

### From College Communications

A Search Committee has been appointed to recruit candidates for the position of dean of the college and vice president for academic affairs. Chaired by Dr. Patricia Schroeder, English, the committee consists of Drs. Bernard Lentz, economics; Paul Stern, politics; Eileen England, psychology; Ronald Hess, chemistry, and Kathryn Goddard, biology.

The committee was selected from a list suggested by faculty and represents a balance of perspectives based on discipline, gender and generation. The committee is charged with finding and attracting suitable candidates to campus, soliciting opinions from the Ursinus commu-

nity, and making a recommendation to the president. Students will be involved in the final part of the selection process.

As chief academic officer of the college, the dean will oversee curriculum development and lead a talented, ambitious and energetic faculty. Advertisements for the position will run in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* on Dec. 8 and 15, *Black Issues in Higher Education* on Dec. 14, and in the next issue of *The Women/Es Review of Books*. Applications will be accepted through Jan. 30, 1996, at which time the committee will begin the screening and interviewing process. An appointment is expected to be approved by the Board of Directors in early June, with the new dean arriving on campus July 1.

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## What's Up in Wellness?

### Mononucleosis

by Kim Ryan

Of The Grizzly

#### What is mono?

In more than 95% of the cases among adolescents and adults, mono is caused by the Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV). EBV is usually in the body 30-50 days before an infected person develops symptoms. Early Symptoms include: feeling run-down, experiencing loss of appetite, and having a slight headache.

Acute Symptoms include: sore throat, fatigue, swollen glands, fever, muscle aches, skin rash

#### How do I know if I have it?

Come to the Wellness Center for a blood test. It is usually necessary to wait until you've been sick for 5-7 days to be able to tell because it may take that long for mono antibodies in the blood to reach detectable levels.

#### Is it contagious?

Mono is spread through saliva, hence its nickname - "the kissing disease." The virus cannot be transmitted through casual contact. Therefore, roommates and friends of the "infected" have no greater chance of getting mono than anyone else on campus. There is no need to quarantine those who have it.

#### How do I cure it?

Unfortunately, antibiotics are not an effective form of treatment; however, your body should be able to fight the infection if you take proper care of yourself while sick. Get enough rest and take a pain reliever such as acetaminophen (found in Tylenol) for your aches and pains.

#### How long will I be sick?

The length of the illness varies from person to person. Some people do not need to stay in bed because their cases are so mild. However, even those whose cases are more severe, will be up and around within two weeks.

"If unshakable fatigue, fever, and a relentless sore throat have you living from nap to nap, there's a chance you have infectious mononucleosis" - Stop by the Wellness Center and get tested, it's the only way to know for sure.

**\*\*REMINDER\*\*** Flu season is now upon us. If you haven't gotten your flu shot yet, make an appointment today. Call the Wellness Center x2412. Don't wait until it's too late!

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and there is no perfect schedule for everyone, but he added, "This event is so important in a person's life that expending a little extra effort is something that parents are usually willing to do."

To help accommodate families who will be traveling long-distance to attend the commencement festivities, the College has reserved 160 hotel rooms in the surrounding area. These rooms will be held in the College's name until two weeks before commencement.

With the logistics tentatively worked out as to when and where all events of commencement weekend will be held, members of the graduating class still raised concerns about the length of time they would have for senior week.

Clare Zeberkiewicz, president of the class of 1996, said, "One of our biggest concerns is that we don't lose any part of senior week, and as it stands now, we're not." To assure that this year's class has the same

length of senior week, activities for seniors may be planned for Wednesday, May 15 (the day before the last exam day). According to Strassburger, "Only 11 senior students have exams scheduled on the last day of finals, and if definitive plans are made for activities Wednesday night, we will do our best to make alternative arrangements for those 11 students to allow them to participate."

Strassburger apologized for any and all inconvenience the change in plans may create. "It's my fault and no one else's that we got the announcement of the date change out so late," he said. "But what you have to realize is that, as much as the seniors think of this as their ceremony, it also has to tie into the traditions of the College. It's a celebration that spills over to other groups besides seniors."

He did sum up the opinions of all involved, however, by saying, "We want this to be the best commencement ever."

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## Science: Fact or Fiction?

It was a pleasure to have Philip Johnson visit the Ursinus campus and speak against evolutionary theory and its moral implications. Science is more than bloodless facts crammed into introductory textbooks, and anyone who reminds us of that is worth our attention.

Dr. Johnson -- not to mention the monkey on the cover of last week's *Grizzly* reminded us that evolution is not a fact. A fact is "a particular truth known by actual observation ... a datum of experience, distinguished from the conclusions that may be based upon it" (OED). If evolution did occur, nearly all of it happened long before any humans were around to observe it directly. No matter how true it might be, it can never be a fact.

But if evolution is not a fact, neither is much else that is interesting in science. No one has actually seen a molecule of water. The quantum behavior of electrons is not only unobservable but utterly counterintuitive. And when South America split from Africa, the only "actual observers" were dinosaurs. Like evolution, atomic structure, quantum mechanics, and plate tectonics are theories, not facts. They are attempts to provide coherent and consistent explanations for the direct observations that we can make.

So are the central dogmas of the sciences mere conjecture? By no means. Theories gain acceptance in science because they explain past observations and continue to be successful in explaining new observations. The theories of science that I listed above each explain a myriad of observations (facts); they do it well, and we know of no competing theories that come close in

their explanatory power. So, although atomic theory is not a fact in the strict sense of the word, chemists treat it as such in their daily work because they are 99.99% sure that it is true. If atomic theory is fundamentally flawed, then much of what chemists do from day to day makes no sense. Could they be that wrong? Perhaps. But I wouldn't put any money on it.

The same holds true for evolutionary theory. If it is utterly wrong, then much of biology makes no sense at all. It is the explanatory power of evolution that brought it nearly universal acceptance among biologists within 20 years of Darwin's publication of *The Origin*, and it has been that way ever since. A few biologists reject it, but not many.

But here's the great thing about science. You don't have to take my word for it. You shouldn't take my word for it. Or Ron Hess's word about water. Or Martha Takat's word about electrons. And you shouldn't be cowed by my assertion that "most biologists think evolution happened." The data are there for you to interpret for yourself. Repeat a study if you're skeptical of the data. After considering all of the evidence (and not just the snippets that Philip Johnson tossed out), does anything other than the common descent of living things make any sense? It's entirely up to you to decide. Perhaps you will be part of a new generation of scientists and citizens who reject evolutionary theory in favor of one with greater explanatory power. But if you really look at the evidence, I doubt you will.

**Dr. Robert Dawley**  
Professor of Biology

## Lower Prices = Lower Quality

by Beatrice May

Opinions Editor

What do WaWa, Subway, Bravo Pizza, and Zack's have in common? They all serve subs, or as those native Philadelphians would say, "hoagies".

But what don't these area stores have in common? They do not sell their sandwiches at the same prices. In fact, in most cases, Zack's sells their subs at higher prices than the surrounding competitors!

These prices were not pulled from the air, folks. In fact, while you were catching some summer rays, Denise Oldt and the rest of the Wood Food Service Management team went undercover and discovered the secrets of their competitors' prices.

Here is what they found. The sub builders in each of these food operations use lower quality meats and cheeses that are filled mostly with salt and water to make their sandwiches. Because of this process, WaWa and some of the other chains are able to charge lower prices for their products that are made to order.

So, what's so bad about salt and water? I always liked the taste of my store made sandwiches.

Anyway, using results taken from satisfaction surveys from the old

Zack's, Denise and her crew came to the conclusion that Ursinus is looking toward more healthy eating trends. I found this fact very interesting considering the crowds who line up for burgers and fries in the facility. But, it was for that reason that she decided to incorporate Wood's "Subversions" into the new Zack's.

"Subversions" is The Wood Company's Signature Sub Sandwich Brand. The keys to its service are the use of top quality Dietz and Watson deli meats and Amoroso Rolls to make their sandwiches, which she claims make a more healthy sandwich.

But I wonder: Since when has lunch meat been healthy?

Okay, this is really nice of the food service staff to think of our needs, but I can honestly say that when I want a sub, I will tend to go to WaWa anyway because their sandwiches are only \$2.99.

However, according to *The Bulletin*, a bimonthly publication of The Wood Company, "Subversions is not a discount hoagie shop, but a high quality, value oriented, quick service retail food operation."

Therefore, when you add up the costs of the high quality meats, while figuring in the portions of profit that go to Ursinus and The Wood Company, it is easy to account for the high prices in Zack's.

Don't get me wrong, I love the new Zack's and all the options available on its menu, which are reasonably priced. I just think that Ursinus students do not want the best meat in their subs and sandwiches. I think we should be going for taste and affordability, not for the best quality.

Low prices in a college snack bar have always been an issue with me. For example, when I was looking at other colleges in my senior year of high school, I tended to have lunch in their snack bars instead of the restaurants in the surrounding town because they had the food I wanted and at a cheaper price. Unfortunately, the new Zack's is unable to provide this feature in its sandwiches.

Well, Denise told me that she is open to student's suggestions and ultimately we will dictate how Zack's runs in the future.

So, if you want fast food quality sandwiches at affordable prices, start filling out your green comment cards now.

Denise is hoping that everyone stays on campus and eats in Zack's. But, in many cases, in order for this to happen, the prices have to be lowered on their sandwiches.

Until then, we will have to dig a little deeper in our pockets or ease on down the road to our nearest fast food joint! Bon appetit!

## The Cave

Welcome one and all to the final 1995 edition of "The Cave."

It's getting to be that time of year once again; time to go and sit on the fat man's lap, time to brave the Northern chills and go murder pine trees, time to spin the dreidel (hope I spelled it right), and time to get piss drunk while watching a great big ball fall somewhere in New York City. Yes, the Holiday season is upon us.

To get everyone in the spirit of the upcoming season, I thought I would end this year with something stupid. I call it the "Ursinus Night Before Christmas."

The freshmen were nestled, all snug in their dorms, while Bio 100 students were dissecting worms.

With Doug in his kerchief and Gina in her cap, they both settled

down for a long winter's nap. When out by Helfferich there arose such a clatter, the sirens signaled that something was the matter. The little red Jeep went flying right by, and we all knew that something bad was afoot.

We shoved and we pushed; we couldn't wait to see what the wonderful, friggings spectacle would be.

There from the path, so cold and so rocky, we looked at the flagpole and saw Dean Akin's jockeys. They whipped in the wind, and swirled all around, and the laughing from the students made one hell of a sound.

I felt a tug from my friend Giny, who was jumping and pointing at our old pal, Todd McKinney. He was drunk off his ass, our old pal Todd was, and it was clear to us all that he had one hell of a buzz. He

was running and laughing, and shouting with glee, "this school is all mine, it belongs all to me!"

When what to our wondering eyes

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Before Christmas".

should appear, but President Strassburger, with a bottle of beer. "Ha ha, you fool...I've got you now, I'll kick your ass out, I will, and how!"

"You'll never catch me," Todd said streaking by, "I've got a contract, so kick me out, just try."

By now we were all in ridiculous

rapture, we wanted to see this attempt at a capture. With a twink of his eye, and a touch of his nose, Officer Gary pulled out a big rubber hose. He got out his flashlight, and towards Todd he did run. Waking up at 3 a.m. was never this fun.

He chased and he yelled, after Todd Gary ran, then Officer Cindy pulled up in the Aerostar van.

"What's going on here," she angrily said. "You should all be in your rooms...in bed!"

"It's Todd, he's gone wacko. We don't know what caused it. It looks like he's flipped, gone loco...lost it!"

Todd had some speed, but security had more. They finally caught up with him, pounding at the Paisley back door.

"Let me in you pitiful fools!" But

we all know who changed the pledging rules.

Not a soul went down to let Todd inside, he looked and he looked but there was no place to hide.

Gary tackled poor Todd to the ground, the thud from their fall made a terrible sound. We all cheered and hooted, some laughed out loud. The applause, it rang out, very loud, from the crowd.

Then Strassburger appeared, he had something to tell us. We knew he would say that Todd had been jealous. He wanted the office that Strassburger held, but now his evil plot had been foiled.

We all strained to hear what Strassburger said....."Get the hell in your rooms...go back to bed!"

## No One Is Going To Starve

Dear Grizzly:

I am writing this in response to the article written by Jared Rakes entitled "God and the GOP".

I am a Republican, and I do not think that starvation is something to joke about either.

If you would watch Rush more often or listen to the news you would realize that Rush was not joking about how citizens of the U.S. will starve from Republican spending "cuts" (which are not cuts, but reductions in growth -- meaning they are increases).

He was pointing out the ridiculous and unfounded accusations made by some Democrats in Congress who would like the public to believe that the Republican proposal will force people to resort to eating dog food to survive, kicking their grandmother and kids out of the house and on to the streets, trashing the environment, and cutting education drastically.

Sound ridiculous? Well, that is what it is--no one is going to starve as a result of the Republican proposal, and who would actually support the other claims?

All of the programs are still increasing.

The reductions in growth are necessary if we want to have some kind of a future and if we want to keep most of our pay checks in the future.

If this country keeps spending the way it has been, the children born in this time period will face about an 84% tax rate!!! This equals an 84% loss in freedom and serious problems for our country since I highly doubt that any working person will ever stand for an 84% tax rate.

Something has to be done, and the Republicans are doing it.

The Democrats have no plan of their own so they resort to such low measures of desperation.

So Jared, if you want to call someone egotistical, you should place that label on Leon Panetta or Dick Gephardt -- two men who are worried more about saving face than telling the truth and doing something our country desperately needs to do.

Angela Lisa  
Class of 1997

*This is "Breast Cancer Awareness Week"*

sponsored by Kappa Delta Kappa

\*Come to Wisner and receive information and a pink ribbon, as the sisters help educate our campus about this devastating disease!

## Letters To The Editors...

To The Editors:

I am writing this letter to retract the letter of Nov. 10 of this year. The views expressed in that letter were not, in any way, those of Salvatore's Pizza. Furthermore, I am writing to apologize to the football coach and cheerleading staff for any grief the letter may have caused them.

Carlos Loazza

Dear Sirs:

Your coverage of the Ursinus Tutoring Program was long overdue. Many of our best students -- during the ten years I've been at the College -- have participated in this service to local kids.

But I am at a loss to understand why the creator and long-time leader of this program, Mr. Charles Fegely, is not mentioned. The credit for the program is entirely his. Despite his years of loyal and, I believe, voluntary service, he has never been considered a member of the staff, nor will you find his name in the College directory. Indeed, his program went nearly unnoticed until the College decided to move boldly into service as a "new" mission. It was convenient for us to say that we had been doing this service program all along.

At some point, the College should officially acknowledge his efforts. Until then, you may wish to interview him to get a unique perspective on service among Ursinus students.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Dominic O'Brien, Education Department

*Editor's Note: Mr. Fegely's name was withheld from the article upon his own request. However, we at The Grizzly do appreciate the efforts of Mr. Fegely. He is an asset to the College, and his work should not go un-noticed.*

## Religion as a Basis For Morality?

by Anne-Marie McMahon

Of The Grizzly

Recently, Dr. Phillip Johnson spoke at Ursinus about alternatives to Darwin's theory of natural selection. Dr. Johnson offered an explanation for the reason so many people believe in Darwinian evolution: it is an escape mechanism used by people to get away from the moral order of the universe as commanded by God. Accepting the possibility that humans, in all their complexity, evolved according to the process of impersonal natural selection is effectively saying that God is not a necessary prerequisite for humans to exist.

But, in making this claim, Dr. Johnson failed to realize that God is not the only source of morality. Just because a person may not acknowledge a God, and the moral laws that go along with that God, this does not mean that those people are prone to go on adulterous, murderous, not-loving-your-neighbor-as-yourself rampages through society. Most people recognize the destructiveness of such behaviors on their own, without the help of a God, and this prevents most of them from doing such things.

To draw Darwin's ideas out a

little further, the whole concept of a God may be an adaptive device that was created by humans to help keep society functioning smoothly. "God" is a good adaptation because in order for moral laws to be effective, they need to be lodged with someone or something that is con-

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sidered authoritative and legitimate beyond question, and that something can only be wholly outside of human nature - hence come the Gods, created in different forms by human societies the world over, over all of time.

The moral laws of any society hold that society together in a shared sense of right and wrong, and the more people are synchronized with those ideas, the less conflict there should be. Less conflict means more stability, and more of a chance of presenting a unified front against outside threats to the society.

God and religions are pretty effective tools which societies have adopted to ensure their own continued existence.

Of course it all becomes ironic, yet tragic, when religion is used as the basis for great atrocities and crimes against humanity - because unfortunately, most religions have the idea that nobody else can believe something different about what God is or what God stands for. The once-adaptive concepts of religion and God are often used destructively, drawing lines between who can be loved, and who must be changed before they can be accepted.

It's a tragedy that concepts with such great potential for human society should be turned against each other, used as tools of intolerance and discrimination, and as a means of perpetuating stereotypes and hatred. Not all religions and concepts of God have this same bleak conclusion, but many of them do.

Therefore I take serious issue with any viewpoint that insists morality comes from a God, where wanting to escape from religion is equated with wanting to escape from morality and common decency. Escaping from religion is like taking a breath on your own, for the first time.

## Fun With The Subjunctive

by Jared Rakes

Of The Grizzly

OK, so I'm a liar. In my last column, I claimed that I would write this time about atheism and moral relativity. Well, I started to, and you know what? It was really boring.

Instead of wasting your time with a 100-level philosophy style analysis of right and wrong, if there is any, I thought I'd have a little fun this week. This week's article, then: Fun with the subjunctive.

Now, I know what you are thinking: fun with the subjunctive? What a dork! -- or something equivalent. For those of you who did not start reading this article with that opinion of me, let me tell you why the subjunctive mood is so important.

As long as I don't directly attack someone, or blatantly spread lies, I have a good deal of freedom concerning what I write. However, I'd better be prepared to back up what I publish. (That is, unless I had abso-

lutely no guts, and remained anonymous like Captain Jack, whomever [s]he is).

The subjunctive allows us to semi-politely avoid this problem of separating fact from personal opinion, by using conditional terms. For instance, if I were to claim that Dr. Nagy's narrow-minded bigotry was a result of his growing up in a hole, I would be whacked with a libel suit before I could say "hatemonger". By the way, he can, of course, accept in advance an apology for anything here that offends him, and I'm sure he already has.

On the other hand, if I politely suggested that maybe he had been suffering from repeated bouts of mindlessness -- say, perhaps, every time he turned on his word processing program -- that would be OK, because I would merely be suggesting the possibility of such phenomena, and only as a potential explanation for a hypothetical situation.

Of course, I would never claim any of these things. I might explore

the possibility that they may have some truth in them, but I would certainly not directly state that he was a blithering idiot, or anything of the sort, because I have no empirical data (sorry, common-sense does not count) to back it up. Besides, that might be misconstrued as a direct attack, rather than my opinion, if indeed it were my opinion.

So what have I proven here? I've shown that by exploiting language, one can say a great number of horrible things. I've also pointed out that in saying all of these horrible things, one is hardly able to say anything else of importance.

My point is this: While I think that it's just wonderful that *The Grizzly* can serve a forum for reasonable, informed debate, things have gone overboard recently. Give up people! It's a dead, disrespected horse. The argument on whether or not we have a choice in our orientation has been decided. The answer is: Yes, apparently you can choose to be ignorant.

## ◆◆◆◆ Movie Mania ◆◆◆◆

by Colin Tucker

President, National Procrastinators Club

What would happen if the President of the United States were a widower, got lonely, and decided to start dating while in office? *The American President* attempts to answer this question.

President Andrew Shepherd (Michael Douglas) is an extremely popular, rather liberal chief executive, with an approval rating of a very high 63 percent. He meets Sydney Ellen Wade, a firebrand lobbyist for an environmental group (Annette Bening), and the two begin dating. Of course the press jumps all over this, and the President's approval rating plummets.

In the meantime, the President is fighting for an important crime bill that would, supposedly, cause his approval rating to rebound. The President agrees with Bening's group to require a 20 percent reduction in fossil fuel emissions. Certain congressmen say they will pass

the crime bill only if the president drops the fossil fuel bill, forcing the President to make a difficult decision.

The movie does an excellent job showing the difficulties of the President dating, such as the difficulty of going about ordering flowers, and how Sydney has a hard time viewing Andrew as not the President, but just an ordinary person. The acting is top-rate, and Michael Douglas, currently the greatest actor in Hollywood, has my vote for a Best Actor Oscar. He fits the role of president very well, much better than the real person currently holding the office. We also see excellent acting from Annette Bening and Michael J. Fox. Fox, who has not been in a good movie since *Doc Hollywood* a few years ago, may see his acting career blossom again after such a good performance in this movie as a young, energetic (think Stephanopoulos) presidential adviser.

Unfortunately, I was disappointed by the movie's ending. I

won't ruin it by telling you how it ends, but it was too dramatic and fictionalized as compared to the rest of the movie.

gets my vote (pun intended).

**Rating - 8 (Very Good)**

**Movie quote of the week-** This week's quote, "Many things in here do not react well to bullets" was identified by co-editor in chief Marc Ellman. It was said by Captain Ramius in *The Hunt for Red October*. This was the final movie quote of the semester. Congrats to all of this semester's winners, and to those of you who didn't guess it soon enough, keep trying! I sent E-mail to all the finalists regarding the drawing. If you didn't get it, please contact me. Next semester the prize that will be given away in May is the *Batman* trilogy.

A complaint was addressed to me that the movie quote contest is biased. I would have responded to this complaint personally, but the individual who made the complaint had to crank call me at 3:30 in the morning, shouting all kinds of expletives on to my voice mail. I must admit, considering that we are college students, that the maturity level (or lack thereof) of some people at this school continues to astound me.

Elementary school is over, kids! I would be happy to address any complaint anyone has about this contest, as long as you act like a mature human being.

At any rate, I will admit that my friends have a slight advantage in this contest because they know where I am and how to find me. Well, that is one of many advantages of being a friend of mine! However, everyone on campus has a chance. Even if you do not know me, you can pick up a paper soon after it is distributed, and if you know the quote, find a phone or computer as quickly as you can. Both voice mail and E-mail tell me the time the message was sent. For example, suppose the paper is distributed at 4:15, someone leaves a correct answer on my voice mail at 4:30, and I talk to someone at dinner at 5:00 who knows the quote. Even if I do not check my messages until 11:00 that night, the person who left the message at 4:30 is the winner. Both of the editors in chief are finalists this semester, but keep in mind that both of them waited until the

### Congratulations to the Movie quote of the week contest finalists:

- Todd Brenneman
- Marc Ellman
- Greg Urban
- Evan Zoog
- Mark Leiser
- Dominic Bui
- Craig Agule
- John Kerrigan
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- Brett Nath

Nevertheless, the movie raises an excellent point and was very thought-provoking, rather humorous, and a lot of fun to watch. Despite the cheesy ending, this movie definitely

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## Together in Light

A celebration and explanation of Advent, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa

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**WHERE:** Unity House



# The Beatles Anthology

by Dr. Andrew Price  
Special to the Grizzly

Anybody who tuned into Channel 6 prior to Sunday November 19th, would have thought that AB(eatles)C was hoping that an audience of 73 million viewers would watch the first part of the Beatles' Anthology, the same number that saw the Fab Four's American television debut on the Ed Sullivan show back in 1964. Talk about hype! As it turned out, an estimated 27 million people in this country decided to see what all the fuss was about, and watched the first part of *The Beatles Anthology* two weeks ago. So you missed it, then? Anybody with the slightest interest in rock music should have been glued to the box.

But why all this Beatlemania revisited all of a sudden? It's been over 25 years since the most successful rock group of all time decided to call it quits, and almost 15 years since John Lennon was killed. There has been so much trash (277 Beatle-related books in the Library of Congress) written about John, Paul, George, and Ringo, that The Fab Four (now Three) decided to set the record straight and tell their own story. And why shouldn't they?

Part one of *Anthology* began with aerial shots of Liverpool, followed by short film clips and photos of each Beatle along with some of their pals. John Lennon's song *In My Life* provided a touching complement. Childhood reminiscences followed; surprisingly, no one who knew them as kids was interviewed. Even the Japanese performance artist, whose name we don't mention very often, was not invited to contribute her thoughts about John. It was strictly an

inside job. Paul McCartney, George Harrison, and Ringo Starr appeared to have been interviewed on several occasions for this documentary, while older material that has been previously released featured John Lennon. Only George Martin, their record producer, along with Neil Aspinall and Derek Taylor of Apple Corps., were given the chance to recount their memories. Folks who did not know much about how The Beatles came to be may have been interested to hear about former members of the group like Pete Best, the drummer before Ringo appeared, and Stuart Sutcliffe, the bass player who couldn't. We were treated to early Lennon-McCartney-Harrison recordings in *In Spite Of All The Danger*, *You'll Be Mine*, and *The One After 909*, dating from 1958-60. These songs appear on the double CD set

*Anthology 1*, along with their new single: *Free As A Bird*. The story then follows the Beatles' slow success from Hamburg to The Cavern Club (now demolished) in Liverpool to their first audition for Decca Records (January 1962) in London, secured for them by their new manager Brian Epstein. Decca turned them down, claiming that "guitar groups are on the way out"! George Martin of EMI records, is interviewed throughout the *Anthology* and recounts the tale of deciding to give them a chance and the recording their first single *Love Me Do*. Although this first single was only a modest success, their next single *Please Please Me* hit number one in

Britain and established The Beatles as the next best thing since tea and crumpets. It took another two singles and an album before The Beatles received any airplay on radio stations broadcasting from the other side of the big pond. Paul remembers telling Epstein that they would not go to America unless they had a number one hit. *I Wanna Hold Your Hand* did it for them, and was a breath of fresh air after Kennedy's funeral. The Beatles' first US visit (February 1964) is better seen on the

Presley who, as Ringo reluctantly informed us, tried to get the CIA to ban them from returning to the USA. Their visit to Japan and the Philippines (where they snubbed Imelda Marcos and were almost killed) seemed to take precedence over a discussion on their most creative period (1966) from which came the albums *Rubber Soul* and *Revolver*.

After their last stadium concert at Candlestick Park in August 1966, The Beatles retreated to the studio, experimented with new recording techniques, and with LSD. In 1967 they released *Strawberry Fields Forever* and *Penny Lane*, together with two very avant-garde music videos that were not, unfortunately, shown in their entirety. An animated recreation of the album cover for *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band* showed all the characters swaying their

heads from side-to-side in time to the song of the same name. Well, I just had to laugh, I saw the photograph. Film clips from the recording session of *A Day In The Life* featured all members of the orchestra wearing clown noses, Beatle wigs, and other paraphernalia. I think that more footage from the recording studio, showing how they pieced together this masterpiece, would have been better than flowering hyacinths and rotating figurines.

The last part of *Anthology* focused on their embarrassing *Magical Mystery Tour* movie, the death of Brian Epstein, and their quest for inner peace, or whatever, in India. Neither Paul, George or Ringo seemed to be uncomfortable when talking about the reasons for the slow

disintegration of the group. Contrary to what we have read, the "white album" era seemed rather pleasant, while the *Let It Be* recording sessions became unpleasant. There is very little mention of *Abbey Road*, which, technically speaking, is their best work. *Anthology* seems to finish too quickly; it's as though they ran out of time towards the end. The four plus hours shown on ABC did not do justice to The Beatles' story. Too many crucial aspects were omitted. We await a full ten hours worth to be released on video next year. However, their *coup de grace* is *Free As A Bird*. The video for this "new" song is simply superb. Over 80 references to Beatles' songs have been thrown in at some point. If you know what they all are, please call me! Jeff Lynne, lead singer and the force behind the Electric Light Orchestra (ELO) was once criticized for producing singles that sounded too much like The Beatles. *Free As A Bird*, sounds too much like ELO to me, but that's no surprise since it was Lynne who helped Paul, George, and Ringo turn John's home-made tape into a finished product. After John's ethereal vocal: "Free as a bird, it's the next best thing to be...", Paul and George reply with: "Whatever happened to the life that we once knew, can we really live without each other? Where did we lose the touch.... it always made me feel so free as a bird". I think the remaining three Beatles have come to terms with the fact that you can never really turn back the clock, but *Anthology*, the *Anthology* CDs, and *Free As A Bird* are as close as they'll come to whispering their words of wisdom. Let it be.

## THE BEATLES

video documentary of the same name. The *Anthology* seemed to skim over the anticipation, excitement, and unexplained craziness of young people at the time. When asked what he thought of America, John replied: "It's like Britain, only with buttons". The remainder of part one shows them back in England filming *A Hard Day's Night*, an almost true picture of a day in the life of The Beatles back in 1964.

Their appearance at Shea Stadium in August 1965 was the first big-time rock concert, attracting 55,600 screaming teens. The heart-beat-film-clip beginning was quite effective while the close-up footage of John playing the piano with his elbows was amusing. All four Beatles talk about meeting Bob Dylan, where they smoked marijuana for the first time, and Elvis

## Messiah a success

by Melissa Forbes  
Of The Grizzly

"For unto us a child is born." So go the timeless words that have reminded Ursinus students for 58 years that the holiday season has begun. These words are the lyrics to Handel's *Messiah*. The Ursinus College choir performed the *Messiah* on Saturday, Dec. 2 to a sold out audience in Bomberger Auditorium.

The choir put in a great deal of hard work for last Saturday's performance, rehearsing for the program since October. The *Messiah* lasted for two and a half hours and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Ursinus College Choir director John French summed up the feelings of all by saying "This group is one of the best I have had in years. The performance was wonderful." Many thanks go out to all who supported the choir.

Holder of the William F. Heefner Chair of Music at Ursinus, French holds a bachelor of music degree in conducting from the Philadelphia College of the Performing Arts and a master of music degree in choral conducting from Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N.J. He recently received his doctor of musical arts degree in choral conducting from the College Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati.



## Basketball News

The Ursinus Men's Basketball team will be holding a basketball clinic for children ages 8-14 on Saturday, December 9th and Sunday, December 10 from 9:00 am to 3:00 p.m. in Helfferich Hall. The clinic will cost \$40.00 per person, which includes T-shirts and other giveaway items. For more information and application material, please call (610) 409-3606 (ext. 2350)

Attention: If anyone is interested in videotaping home and away Ursinus Men's Basketball games, please call extension 2350 or contact Coach White in Helfferich Hall. This is a paid position.



## Mens's Basketball

# Bears Surprise NYU Start Season Strong

The men's basketball team has opened the season with a 4-3 record, but none of the four wins was more impressive than the Bears upset at New York University on Nov. 24. Ursinus held a 34-31 lead at the intermission, and went on to upset N.Y.U., a pre-season Division III Top-20 selection, 73-69. Bernie Rogers led Ursinus with 26 points, while Chris Cervellero added 10. Pat Buyse and Ryan Costello both added nine points, with Costello grabbing a game-high eight rebounds.

The next night, Ursinus fell to host Columbia, 77-35. Columbia left little doubt as to the outcome when it cruised to a 41-11 halftime lead. Pat Buyse, who scored 14 points, was the only bright spot for Ursinus.

On Nov. 20, Rogers scored a season-best 29 points to lead

host Ursinus to a 67-55 non-conference win over Wesley. Rogers scored 18 of his points in the first half and staked the Bears to a 35-25 lead at the intermission. He was named Centennial Conference Player of the Week for his performance in those three games.

Buyse added 15 points and a game-high eight rebounds for the Bears against Wesley, while Costello excited the crowd with 10 points, including four on first-half dunks.

The Bears opened Centennial Conference play on Nov. 29 with an 83-65 win over Dickinson.

Rogers scored 23 points, Costello added a career-best 19. Ursinus ended the first half with a nine-point run to break open a tight game. The Bears led 44-32 at the intermission, and were up by as many as 18

points twice in the second half. Fred Luck added 10 points for the Bears.

Luck was named to the all-tournament team at the Philadelphia Pharmacy tip-off tournament. He scored 17 points in both games as Ursinus lost to Cabrini, 86-62, and defeated Delaware Valley, 74-49.

On Dec. 2, Ursinus fell to Western, 85-73. The Bears opened the game with a cold hand and shot just 31 percent from the floor. That was all Western Maryland needed to take a 33-23 lead at the intermission. Ursinus got no closer than nine points in the second half.

Rogers led the Bears with 18 points and six assists. Luck scored 14, while Buyse and Costello both added 10



## Women's Basketball

# Bears Open Conference Play With Two Wins

Megan Larkin scored a career-best 27 points, and host Ursinus (2-0, 3-1) took advantage of some cold Gettysburg shooting in the second half, as the Bears defeated the Bullets, 79-54, in a Centennial Conference game.

Gettysburg held a 33-32 lead at the intermission, but the Bullets did not score for the first 6:25 of the second half. Ursinus enjoyed an 11-0 run until Patty Katsaros hit a pair of free throws with 13:35 to play. Gettysburg connected on just four of 28 shots from the floor in the second half, and allowed Ursinus to run away.

Larkinscored 17 of her 27 points in the second half. She also grabbed a game-best 12 rebounds, dished out four assists, blocked a shot, and had three steals. Laura Coulter added 12 points and three blocks for the Bears, while Dede Boies had a career-best six assists.

On Nov. 19, Larkin scored 19 points and led a second-half rally which broke open a close game, as Ursinus defeated host Western

Maryland, 82-72, in the conference opener for both teams.

Larkin, who also added seven rebounds, six steals and five assists, had six points to key a 19-2 Ursinus run, which broke open a 49-48 game and gave the Bears a 68-50 advantage with 7:30 remaining. Jen Mahoney and Jamie Eissler both added four points during the decisive four-minute stretch. The Bears had led 36-30 at the intermission.

Steph Casperson added 18 points and a team-high eight rebounds, Laura Coulter contributed 16 points and five rebounds. Mahoney ended with six points and six rebounds, while Eissler had nine points, five rebounds and a blocked shot.

The Bears opened the season at the Mobil Shoot Out hosted by Trenton State. Ursinus defeated Misericordia, 62-53, in the opener, but fell to Trenton, 71-53, in the championship game. Larkin and Coulter were named to the all-tournament team.

# A JERSEY FAN

by Joel Schofer

Assistant Sports Editor

I am now a New Jersey Nets fan, as you can tell by the new title of my column, and it's not because I admire the play of Sean Bradley or will miss his presence in the Sixers lineup. It's simply because their general manager, Willis Reed has spared me a lot of anguish and misery that would have been experienced watching the Great White Stiff plod up and down the basketball court, averaging three points and two rebounds per game while having a greater chance of scoring a basket with one of his passes than with one of his shots.

Not only have the tremendous organization known as the New Jersey Nets scooped up our below average center, but they also took two additional completely inept basket-

ball players from our organization. Tim Perry and my favorite player, Greg Graham, are no longer Sixers, but are now New Jersey Nets. The scream I uttered when learning of this news shall hereby be known as "The Orgasm Heard 'Round the World."

There is one small problem that I have with this trade, though, and it's one that should concern any Sixers fan.

The Sixers could, in theory, start a lineup consisting of Derrick Coleman, Richard Dumas, Vernon Maxwell, Scott Williams, and Jerry Stackhouse. This lineup would undoubtedly prompt a police raid, for Coleman is likely to commit assault at the drop of a hat and Vernon takes swings at anyone who ever played for the Houston Rockets organization.

This would leave Stackhouse and Williams on the court alone, but

there could be a hidden benefit in such a fiasco.

There also has been much interest in the Sixers new lineup and what coach John Lucas plans on doing with it.

The Sixers now have Derrick Coleman, who assuredly must start, Clarence Weatherspoon, who also must start, Sharone Wright, and Scott Williams, who are all natural power forwards. At small forward, they have Richard Dumas, Derrick Alston, and Sean Higgins. At shooting guard stands Stackhouse, Rex Walters, Jeff Malone, and our resident shooting guard masquerading as a point guard (with two bad ankles), Vernon Maxwell. At the point, fresh from the CBA, is Greg Grant (all five foot two of him), and at center is about seven foot of 80 percent nitrogen and 20 percent oxygen.

In other words, the Sixers will now sport a starting lineup consisting of three power forwards and two shooting guards. This equates to much of the same, a lot of turnovers and a lot of losses.

My guess, be it a total crapshoot, is that Lucas will be forced to deal Clarence Weatherspoon. Coleman will start at power forward and this would force Weatherspoon back to the small forward spot he occupied last season, the small forward spot that he was too slow to play.

Weatherspoon for a starting point guard would give the Sixers what they need, ball handling! It would allow them to move Maxwell to his natural position at two guard and move Stackhouse to small forward, giving them a starting lineup of the new point guard, Coleman at power forward, Stackhouse at small forward, Wright at center, and Maxwell at shooting guard.

This would at least give them a servicable starting lineup with Malone, Dumas, Grant, Alston, Walters, Higgins and Williams coming off of the bench. The Sixers would then need to get a center and shooting guard at the end of the season. (I don't really care for Maxwell too much. Why? Check the shooting percentage. 35.7 percent. Is that sufficient for a starting or even third string shooting guard? Nope.)

Until the end of the season arrives, we Sixers fans must endure some ugly basketball, filled with errant passes and turnover after turnover. We can only hope that the New Jersey Nets get their hands on Shaquille O'Neal and Michael Jordan. A Wright for Shaq and Maxwell for Jordan swap would not, based on recent occurrences, be out of the question.



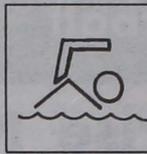
## Wrestling

## Ortman Starts Season With A Bang

Senior Mike Ortman, who is bidding to become the first Ursinus wrestler in history to qualify for the NCAA championships three times, opened the season in impressive fashion by winning the 158-pound title at the prestigious Jerry Petrofes Invitational hosted by Lebanon Valley College Dec. 2. Ortman's win was awe-inspiring. The second seed, he was never really tested in the tournament and posted a 10-1 deci-

sion over topped-seeded Brent Paulus, of Mount Union (Ohio), in the championship match.

Also enjoying strong outings for the Bears were: 118-pounder Darren Torson, who placed fourth; 142-pounder Kirk Holt, who placed seventh; 150-pounder Casey O'Donnell, who placed third; and 167-pounder Donny Asper, who placed fourth.



## Swimming

## Teams Begin Season With Wins

The Ursinus men's swimming team won its first meet in more than two years when it defeated host Albright, 109-92, on Nov. 20. Dan Jones led the way with two individual first place finishes. He won the 50 freestyle in 23:69, and the 100 freestyle in 52:66. Russ Whelan won the 200 freestyle in 1:55.64, and Stu Kukla took the 100 back stroke in 59.66.

The Bears proved the win was no fluke when they topped

Dickinson, 118-69, in the William B. Elliott Pool on Dec. 2. Dave Chrzanowski won the 1,000 freestyle in 10:49.38. He also took the 500 freestyle in 5:18.19. Sean McCoy won the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:56.00, while Kukla won the 200 back stroke in 2:13.56. Geoffrey Mills placed first in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:13.44.

The Ursinus women fell to Dickinson 109-90. Kelly

Donohue placed first in the 1,000 freestyle with a time of 11:28.94. Jen Schmidt won the 200 I.M. in 2:28.71, and Cristin Veit took the 100 freestyle in 57.69.

The Women defeated Albright, 109-86, on Nov. 20. Veit was a double winner. She won the 50 and 100 freestyles. Mandy Fingerlin won the 1,000 freestyle, while Donohue own the 100 back stroke, and Allyson Flynn placed first in the 500 freestyle.

## CHUCK'S WAGON

by **Charlie Weingroff**  
Sports Editor

Good lord. Good lord in heaven. Even now, nearly a full week after it has happened, I still am absolutely baffled and confused.

You know, when you're a god awful professional sports team looking for things to get better, you need breaks to go your way. You need the ball to bounce on your side of the court. You need the grass to be green on your side of the pasture. You need the puck to hit the post every now and then. You need Jose Offerman to make an error in the 8th inning to let you go ahead.

Look at the Magic. I think they won under 30 games the year before they won the lottery for Shaq. Then they won the lottery for Webber with the least possible chance. They go from stiff to the most devastating force on the planet. There's no better example of things going your way. The Magic, in a way, have robbed the NBA.

Between the hours of 10 and 11 at night on Thursday evening, the Sixers committed a crime, as did the New Jersey Nets. The Sixers robbed the Nets in a trade. It's a nauseating turn of events. It's sick. It's so sick, it's disgusting. It's horrible. In acquiring Derrick Coleman, Rex Walters, and the fiery Sean Higgins for the 7'6", 86

pound BYU barrel, Tim Perry, and of course, the formidable, yet slithery Greg Graham. This is big for the Sicksers.

Ever since the Nets 2 guard at the time, Drazen Petrovic, passed away while driving on the Autobahn, the Nets have plummeted to new depths. They went out and drafted Kenny Anderson after that occurrence, and that's where it all started. If they had taken Billy Owens, they would still have Mookie Blaylock, a better Billy Owens, and a happy Derrick Coleman because he would get to be playing wit hiz boy from Syracuse.

That leads me to Derrick Coleman. My name is D-Nice, but, yo, you can call me Derrick. That's from an old BDP song by D-Nice. DC, as I have said before, is the best player in the NBA. I base this on the criteria that he could, not is, but could, without question, be an all-star at any position on the court. He passes like a point man, floats like a butterfly, stings like a bee, shoots like a 2 guard, runs, flies, rebounds, scores, blocks shots, like a top notch post player, like me. He must be the greatest. I must be the greatest.

Say what you will about DC. He beats up 17 year old party people in the house at NYC clubs. He beats up cops in Detroit because he won't move his Cyclone pick up out of a no parking zone. He won't wear a suit. But you know what DC does.

He wins. He scores. He rebounds. He wins. I could not care less what a player does off the court. He has all these problems, and he still averages 20 and 10. That's average. That means there are many games that are better than that. Derrick Coleman is one of the greatest talents I've seen in my abbreviated life.

Shawn Bradley is not.

Temple Terror Tim Perry, Graham, Walters, and Higgins were all menial parts of this trade. Perry is especially menial. His uncle came for physical therapy where I worked over the summer, and he said Tim just needed a chance, and he would be an all-star. I then clocked him with a bar of soap, and asked him to forward it to Tim so he can rid himself of that awful stench he provides on the court.

This trade is just sickening. We all know what Shawn Bradley is capable of. He is capable of corrupting a team single handedly. He hurts you...very much. He rips into people's intestines and grinds them in his hands. He misses 2 foot layups. Usually, as an armchair quarterback, one usually will admit that the pro can do better. No chance, I am better than Bradley. I have better skills.

Here's the inside track on Nets GM Dr. Willis Reed's plan. They plan to play twin-towers like the Knicks in 85. They have 7'6" of sludge in

Bradley, and the 8'2" fluent yet viscous Yinka Dare. Yes, viscous. It's just his style. The Nets have a low post coach and a strength coach and God that can make Bradley a player. Oh God, this really hurts. The Doctor of Damage Willis Reed said, "This was not a trade to get rid of Derrick Coleman. It was a trade to improve a basketball team." Oh, I'm on rubbery legs. Wait. Yep. I'm down.

Willis Reed should be GM of the year. No other GM has made the impact that he has made in his wonderful tenure. He has amassed a team of now 2 good players: Kenny Anderson, who should never have been drafted, and PF Jayson Williams.

Anyone who thinks Derrick Coleman, even a below average Derrick Coleman, is not a major superstar as a player in the NBA is very foolish. Anyone who thinks Bradley has redeeming qualities is very foolish. Willis Reed. Really makes you wanna hold your hat.

Turning to another disgusting turn of events, I wish to speak of the Mighty Miami Dolphins. Seriously, how bad are the Dolphins? But, wait, no, seriously though, how bad are the Dolphins? Awful. Horrible. Hor-ren-dous. Sickening. Bradleyesque. These are all relative words though.

Ok, the Dolphins have the best players in the league. No one is

even close. Their starters may not be the best, but when you look at depth and quality depth, the Dolphins have the best personnel.

Let's say the Phins in 3 games score 30, 40 and 800 points. They'll give up 40, 50, and 8000 points. They are just brutal, and I can't explain it. No one can. They are not a good football team. They are a bad football team. That took me a while to figure out.

Coaching? I'm not qualified to say that it's coaching because I've never played real football or seen a real coaching staff, but I would not be sad if owner Wayne Huizenga said to Don Shula, "Don't let the door hit your ass on the way out." If the name plate on the Dolphin head coach's office read "Jimmy Johnson," that would make me happy too. I like guarantees.

Last week Nate Smiley knew both of Jake "The Snake" Roberts' snakes' names and why he had to get a new one. Many people got Damien and Lucifer as the names, but not that Earthquake earthquaked Damien in his little green bag, thus killing him, and prompting Jake The Snake to bring in Lucifer. For the next **World Wrestling Federation Trivia Question of the Week: What 2 Saturday morning scrubs made it big as the Young Stallions?** That's all for this semester, and maybe 10 more times. The pleasure will be all yours.