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Several Students Opt for Alternative Spring Break

by Melinda Albert
of The Grizzly

Some people were planning trips south of the border where the weather was warm. Others opted to go home and catch up on some rest and relaxation. However 32 students and 2 staff members from Ursinus College spent Spring Break '98 in Chavies, Kentucky. No Chavies is not some kind of exclusive southern resort town, but one of the sites for the Appalachia Service Project.

The Appalachia Service Project was the dream of Reverend Glenn "Tex" Evans, who saw the region's immense housing need, while ministering at a settlement in Frakes, Kentucky. The minister envisioned a way of serving the needs of these communities, while encouraging the church to be part of the solution. His plan matched church youth to home repairs in the Central Appalachia region. During the summer of 1969, the project's first summer, 50 volunteers repaired four homes.

Now more than 110,000 volunteers from across America have repaired houses, and the Gospel has spread to many of them and the people whom they help.

Senior Sarah Fielding is a second year participant and just one of the people inspired the project's mission and philosophy. "I went last year and it was an amazing experience. I took on planning the service project because I couldn't see this trip not happening," stated Fielding, who is this year's Project Coordinator. As Coordinator, Fielding is responsible for overseeing the three committees that consist of the group of volunteers, including the summer, planning, and activities committee. Although the Activity Fee Allocation Committee (AFAC) funded most of the group's expenses for the Appalachia Service Project, the students also did on-campus fund raising.

Fielding says that she had no trouble getting students to participate in this year's project. "Some students are new, and others participated last year," stated Fielding. Just several days ago, another participant added her name to the list of volunteers. This year's Appalachia Service Project Volunteer group was comprised of 6 freshman, 16 sophomores, 8 juniors, 2 seniors, and 2 staff members. Fielding admits that it is not hard to get volunteer support from the Ursinus community. "We set up a booth at the Student Activities Fair this past fall, and received a lot of positive responses. Although, in general, students have heard about the program from a variety of sources," stated Fielding.

One of the two groups of students who attended Alternative Spring Break in Kentucky: Left -Right (standing): Brian Strohecker, Coco Minardi, Harry (neighbor), Spencer Shelly, BethAnn Prause, Rita McDonald, Erica Dietrich, Susan Varghese, Melissa Barber, Juliette Van deGeer, Lisa D'Amico, Cindy (neighbor), Steve Graham, Barry Keppard (seated)

Freshman Melissa Barber first heard about the project while reading a magazine. She decided to participate because she was inspired by the founder's belief in his faith, and his desire to help others. "I've always had a concern for people and their welfare. I don't want to go just to say that I am doing something or going somewhere, but I want to give up my vacation so that I can help people have a better life," stated Barber.

Nicole (CoCo) Minardi ('91), Assistant Director of Alumni Affairs, read about the project last year, and decided to go this year. "When I first heard about the project, I felt that it was right up my alley. I love to travel, I love being outside, and most of all, I enjoy helping people," admitted Minardi. Minardi feels that she has lead a privileged life, especially compared to the people of this region. "I hope this is an eye opener for me. I hope to expand and understand my appreciation of mankind," stated the former Ursinus graduate.

The volunteers interviewed agreed that the service project signifies something special and unique in their lives. Perhaps this is why Rev. Evans states in the Appalachia Service Project's Theology, "We hold that every person wants essentially, four things: to be loved, to belong, to own something, to create something worthwhile." It is evident that these volunteers feel that they are attempting to fulfill some of these needs for the people of Chavies, Kentucky.

Doughty's Text Book Published

by Maryann Moscariello
of The Grizzly

Dr. Ross Doughty, professor of history, recently published a book entitled Students Workbook for the New World History.

"The book is an essential study guide for a recently published history textbook entitled The World's History," Doughty said. "It is an overview of history from the beginnings of civilizations by Howard Spodek of Temple University."

Doughty is an Ursinus alumnus who has been teaching at the College for twenty years. Doughty went on to receive his graduate and doctoral degrees from Harvard University.

He admitted that the text book was the first book in which his name was attributed. "I have done first time revisions and second editions to textbooks," he said, "but never had been singularly attributed.

When describing the study guide, Doughty explains that "the workbook gives specifications for the book as well as chapter outlines."

He pointed out that the book gives an interpretative commentary for each chapter and makes connections with previous chapters. The book also consists of study questions, multiple choice, essay and geography questions.

"What's interesting about Spodek's book," said Doughty, "is that the concept and topical application of the book came from a workshop funded by an NEH (National Endowment for Humanities) grant between 1992-1994."

He further explained how the book was conceived from a set of teachers' ideas implemented in courses taught locally.

With the publishing of a new book by one of our own, students may be wondering if the book will be used here at Ursinus. "We may use the books here," he said.

When asked to describe the Spodek's textbook from which he wrote the workbook, he explained, "The good points definitely outweigh the weaker, and this made fashioning the study guide much easier."

When asked what he disliked about the workbook, he replied, "I would have left out the multiple choice, there is always more than one right answer, it programs students to look for the wrong answer," he said. "Also, some students think I did this because of a personal bearing on the book, however, I get no royalties from it," Doughty revealed.

Doughty gave a brief description (Continued on page 2)
National News

Seventy plus Atlanta High School students were placed under arrest. They were charged with buying underpriced items from a classmate then selling them to other stores for cash. Police say that more than $100,000 worth of merchandise was taken.

The hearing for the British nanny accused of killing a child in her care was postponed due to an electrical explosion. Ms. Woodward, the lawyer, and journalists were all in the 14th floor courtroom when several explosions erupted from the basement. The building was evacuated; prosecutors say that this will not effect the outcome of the case.

Change is coming for those who like to mix drinking and driving. The Senate has approved a new limit on blood alcohol levels, which will be .08. Any state that does not comply with the new rule by October 1, 2001, will lose 5% of its allotment from the new highway construction legislation.

Local News

Police arrested senior student Armen C. Zeibari of Wissahickon High School after he was found to be selling LSD on school grounds. The teen did not try to deny selling the drugs. He was arraigned and released on $15,000 unsecured bail.

Edward H. Bishop of Limerick Township was arrested for sexually assaulting a child in his care. He is free right now on 10% of his $35,000 bail. Prosecutors say that because there was no physical damage done to the child, they have withdrew the charges of rape, statutory sexual assault and sexual assault and replaced them with endangering the child.

City News

Anthony Davis, a shooter, was killed after the Boys Public League Championship Game on March 1. Police, who once thought that the shooting stemmed from an argument at the game, now say that this tragedy began the night before in South Philly. Anthony Davis leaves behind 3 small children, ages 3, 3, and 1.

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In The News...

International News

Two Japanese Finance Ministry Officials were arrested for accepting bribes from financial companies. Government leaders, including the Prime Minister, called for the investigation. Another Finance Ministry called the arrest "extremely regrettable."

Glaxo Wellcome PLC said in London that they will cut the price for the AIDS drug AZT for pregnant women. This plan marks the first time a giant drug company has cut prices to help the poor countries most affected by the disease.

In Sri Lanka, Colombo, two shrapnel-laden bombs exploded outside of a crowded train station. The bombs were targeted for the Defense Ministry. Thirty-two people were killed and there were more than 300 people injured.

The Supreme Court now says that same sex harassment cases are no different from male-female harassment cases and will be given the same treatment. This came to light after a lower court threw out a same sex harassment case because the harasser did not prove to be homosexual.

Scientists say that they may now have proof that lesbian and bisexual women are biologically different from heterosexual women. Sandra Witelson of McMaster University, a scientist who studies sexual orientation in relation to brain anatomy said: "The results support the theory that differences in the central nervous system exist between homosexual and heterosexual individuals and that the differences are possibly related to early factors in brain development." Other scientists have found no evidence to support this idea.

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Voices in the Crowd

by Marla DeGracia
Opinions Editor

What are your feelings about the security on Ursinus' campus? Do you feel safe?

"Some feelings of uncertainty… Campus phones have been on and off for so long, that if you need to call for an escort, you can’t."
Saramati Jayaraman—Sophomore Ursinus Student

"Comparatively thinking, it is one of the safest campuses in the country."
Sunitha John—Junior Ursinus Student

"I feel very safe knowing that there's a security patrol. And that adds extra security."
Inga Schmitz—German Teacher's Assistant

"I feel rather comfortable, it seems like a safe environment. And we have security that patrols; and that adds extra security."
Joe McDermott—Sophomore Ursinus Student

"I think it is a safe campus, but just like anywhere else, take precautions." Jeannett Jessie—Sophomore Ursinus Student

"I feel rather comfortable, it seems like a safe environment. And we have security that patrols; and that adds extra security."
Rebecca Weller—Freshman Ursinus Student

"I feel very safe, because it is a small campus and seems very private. I would never call someone to walk with me."
Lesli Thomas—Junior Ursinus Student

Living arrangements in BWC and BPS are changing for the 1998-1999 school year. The idea is to make some of the floors co-ed by room instead of the existing co-ed arrangements by hall. How do you feel about this new arrangement? Are you in agreement?

"Well, to tell you the truth it doesn't concern my living arrangement for next year, but if it did I think that it is a good way to make friends of the opposite sex and actually establish friendships in which both sexes appreciate and respect each other."
Candice Capstick—Junior Ursinus Student

"I do not think that it is a big deal. Musser is coed door-by-door."
Damian Milillo—Sophmore Ursinus Student

"I feel that integrating a few of the halls in the dorms is a good idea. This way, the students have a choice whether they want to live closely to the opposite sex or not. It has worked in other schools and I think that it can work at Ursinus as long as some dorms remain segregated to fit everyone's preferences."
Lindsay Weltman—Sophmore Ursinus Student

"I think co-ed dorms can only happen if there is mutual respect on both sides. Guys and girls have different living habits."
Ngeuanema Kounlavong—Freshman Ursinus Student

"I think that such a decision puts a lot of faith in the students. I just hope that the students involved are mature enough to accept such a change."
Daneen Stamps—Sophomore Ursinus Student

"I feel that this decision should have been run by the students first because I know that I do not agree. It may lead to embarrassing situations and many trash problems. I mean, look at what happened to Beardwood! I don't want that at my school."
Jennifer Stellato—Sophomore Ursinus Student

"I feel that people should be allowed to live where they choose, but the school is going to have to accept responsibility for any eventual problems that this new housing invites."
Paul Guidry—Junior Ursinus Student

"It's all good."
Kyle Kenyon—Freshman Ursinus Student

"Generally I have no problem with it but it might be a good change."
Rebecca Pape—Freshman Ursinus Student

Alex Bishop. Killed by a drunk driver on November 8, 1992, on Kent-Kangley Road in Kent, Washington.

Learning to swim in the tub, 1992.

Classifieds

Help Wanted

URSINUS COLLEGE EVENING PROGRAM seeks 2 or 3 PT Technical/Student Support Assistants for Mon./Tues./Wed./Thurs. evens. for Fall 98. Assistants will be responsible for maintaining & monitoring a distance learning classroom for the St. Joseph's grad. programs at Ursinus beginning Sept. 8, 1998. 8 hours of required training will be necessary in Apr. of this year dates to be determined. Should feel comfortable in a technologically complex environment. Must be capable of responsive trouble shooting & mature decision making. Excellent communication skills are necessary to act as liaison w/adult students, instructors, continuing ed. staff & media services staff. Submit a short statement of interest & qualifications immediately to: Sonja Pettingill, Office of Continuing Education email: spettingill@acad.ursinus.edu fax: (610)409-3787

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Female roommate wanted to share small house in Collegeville. She will have a private bedroom & bathroom and full use of the house. Rent at $350/mo. plus phone calls. Call Margy 489-2565 10am to 1pm 454-1566 leave message
The status of campus security is always an important issue here at Ursinus, so this week The Grizzly is presenting you with the first two in a series of brief, informative, and interesting interviews expressing several points of view regarding the service that does everything from keeping our residence halls locked to guiding campus patrons across Main Street: The Ursinus College Security Department.

The first of the three interviews detailed here was a short correspondence via e-mail with Debbie Nolan, Associate Dean of the College and Dean of Students.

Justin: How do you feel the atmosphere and actual presence of security here at Ursinus compares to that of other schools similar in size and geographic setting (i.e. small, suburban, private colleges relatively close to major cities)?

Dean Nolan: Compared to other schools, we have the same amount of coverage, though some of our duties here? Give me an example of the worst calls you get?

Tom: Disturbances in Reimert and EMT calls. We used to get prank calls a lot, but now we have caller ID, so don’t even try.

Justin: What are your everyday duties here? Give me an example of a typical day.

Tom: Weeknights... signing in visitors, people checking ID’s mostly; (Phone rings) taking phone calls for phone numbers... security calls for escorts and things like that.

Weeknights... calls for phone numbers, requests from students directed at security, alarm calls.


Justin: What are your typical daily duties?

Cindy: We do lockouts, escorts, bank runs, opening and securing of buildings, vehicle assists, vehicle lockouts, respond to fire alarms, handle incidents and do investigations. We do tickets, too. I hate doing tickets. We also do patrols and teach student awareness.

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Hodgson: We have a general overview of everything. Everything that occurs on campus affects us. We’re enablers.

Justin: How about something that has improved in recent years? Cindy: Weekdays... signing in visitors, people checking ID’s mostly; (Phone rings) taking phone calls for phone numbers... security calls for escorts and things like that.

Justin: Has there ever been a time when you didn’t feel completely secure while on campus? Cindy: We do lockouts, escorts, bank runs, opening and securing of buildings, vehicle assists, vehicle lockouts, respond to fire alarms, handle incidents and do investigations. We do tickets, too. I hate doing tickets. We also do patrols and teach student awareness.

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March Madness at Ursinus

- Coming Soon! The Ursinus College March Madness Free Throw/Shot Contest.
- Cash Prizes/T-shirts and Gift Certificates
- Look for Details to Follow
(Continued from pg. 4)

from seven to three - three AM, that is - officers who come in from nine to five and eleven to seven, so there’s always extra officers on duty. We have Reimert detail where students check ID’s; we also have Walk detail that goes up on weekends. We do more vehicle and foot patrols.

Hodgson: I feel an undercurrent of responsibility on this campus. That’s a healthy sign.

Justin: Really? How so?

Hodgson: I feel that people are starting to take care of some things themselves before they come to us. If they’re locked out, they go to an RA before they call security. Things like that. People are getting more responsible.

Justin: That’s great. Not to change the subject, but what do you think is the worst problem with the general security conditions here? Feel free to speak your peace.

Cindy: A lot of freshman feel the peer pressure to drink or be in a fraternity or sorority, and that tends to cause problems. So if we see a student going in that direction, we try to convince them that there are other things in life besides drinking.

One of the problems with that is that a lot of students don’t have transportation. A lot of kids say, “What is there to do other than drink?”

Justin: Can you make any suggestions?

Cindy: I think it would be really great if the school would run buses to South Street, the malls, maybe Friday’s or the Zoo, anything. I think something like that would be an asset to the college and maybe it would keep the kids in line. The activities we have here on campus aren’t really well-attended, especially on party nights, and buses stop running at about eleven o’clock. We’re forcing these kids into doing one thing: sitting around and getting drunk. I think regular bus trips, especially on weekends, would really help. (Reporter’s Note: The existing buses Officer Zerr speaks of are Public Transportation service buses, e.g. Septa, not Ursinus-associated buses)

Justin: On the other side of the same issue, is there any particular problem that you think has improved in recent years?

Hodgson: Drinking. From our standpoint, we have not been notified of any alcohol poisonings this year.

Cindy: I think they’re just not reporting them, but yeah, EMT calls have really gone down.

Justin: Oh, speaking of calls, I did have one technical question; I asked Dean Nolan, but I haven’t gotten an answer yet. I’ve heard all kinds of different things about the Collegeville Police Department’s rights as to whether or not they’re allowed on campus. Can they come in freely or does Ursinus College have private residency status?

Cindy: They can do whatever they want. They can do drug busts, alcohol arrests, whatever.

Justin: So they’re allowed to enter residence halls without informing the college?

Cindy: Yup. Anything. They usually don’t come on campus unless they’re called, but there’s nothing stopping them. Every time there’s an EMT call with an ambulance they have to come along, and if they want, they can make arrests or do searches freely at that time.

Justin: Thank you very much.

In addition to the above statements, Cindy voiced her strong opinions about the problems of alcohol abuse on campus, showing strong, almost maternal care and concern, especially for freshmen who come here and find themselves in unfamiliar settings, with newfound freedoms, and under tremendous social and peer pressures. She also expressed her feelings on the importance of providing support and guidance first, and then discipline if necessary. The tremendous dedication and pride and deep personal involvement Officer Zerr maintains as head of security became apparent during this interview, and provided a refreshing, optimistic perspective on the state of security at this home away from home.
Lou Nemphos
of The Grizzly

Dumas' classic novel, written for bad? It's based on Alexandre greatest casts ever assembled.

The question one might ask is, how in the world can this movie be bad? It's based on Alexandre. Leonardo DiCaprio finds himself high on the tidal wave of comedy, and the comic scenes make Leonardo DiCaprio find himself Wal... (he adapted "The Man in the Iron Mask" between loyalty to the King and to...)

What The Man in the Iron Mask will be remembered for is how much talent it wasted. Irons is the only saving grace of the picture, even though he almost seems embarrassed. Byrne and Malkovich just go through the motions and DiCaprio is solid as King Louis XIV. Where he falters is with Philippe, because he plays a wilder, more enigmatic character than anyone else in the movie. The biggest raspberry goes to Depardieu. His portrayal of Porthos is one of the most despicable characters ever in film. He's supposed to be the "comic" relief, but he is just disgusting and vulgar. He talks about big pink nipples, impotence and kidney stones, he gets defeated... (he constantly flirtates and tries to hang himself in his birthday suit)

Overall, this is one of the most disappointing movies I have ever seen. If I had to choose between seeing this again or wearing the iron mask for two hours, I'd wear the 40 pound iron mask, because there's no way it could hurt my head as much as this movie.

RATING: (out of 4 stars):

* (1 star)

By Joseph Catalafano
of The Grizzly

I don't know how Jerry Springer sleeps at night. Instigating violence and parading freaks for an hour every weekday, he has become a modern day side-show Barker. He purposefully finds people who hate each other and puts them together to elbow on national television... (all with the expectation of swinging fists and multiple bleeeeps. Meanwhile, he innocently watches the match strike the powderkeg as if, "Gee, I never would have guessed Rachel's rage-against-the-world neo-nazi boyfriend would have a problem with her menage a trois with two black men. Go figure."

And he does this for America's wholesome enjoyment every hour every week. Two o'clock. Channel Ten. Monday through Friday. You can sit back, relax, and enjoy your Campbell's Tomato over some good old afternoon... (Thank God the kids are still at school (damn programmable VCRs).)

It must have all started years ago when someone hit Geraldo over the head with a chair. I believe it was the episode with the KKK and a militant black power group, brought together for the first time to vent their frustrations on national TV.

Geraldo wore a bandage for months and soaked up the publicity, all under the humanitarian guise of "I was just trying to make peace. To do my part as a human." It was ratings week. Thanks for playing.

But at this very moment, someone... (See the movie for the rest.)(20)"

"Man, I thought I was an outcast," while the rest of us can think, "Man, I thought my life sucked."

So maybe Jerry Springer is not demon spawn. Maybe he is doing America a service via his freak show. Either way, my humanity rebels.

Jerry Springer and The Modern Day Freak Show

Propose marriage on Springer? How romantic! There's a sure turn on for the grandkids: "Jimmy, your grandpa finished talking about his former life as a drug-running teenage pimp, then he got down on his knees and asked me to marry him. After he socked one of his former sixteen-year-old cross-dressing whores in the mouth, I couldn't resist. Brought tears to these eyes, he did." Is it the appealing aura of national television?

And I don't know about you, but when I discover my girlfriend is a schizophrenic hermaphrodite who cheats on herself, the last place I wish to share my problems is two o'clock on Channel Ten, right after "All My Children." They are obviously a different species, a few steps lower on the Great Chain of Being. Somewhere below insects, but above rocks. They do breathe.

And what do these guests do when they go home to Kansas? Do they have their friends come over and say, "Gee, Billy Joe. Saw you on Springer yesterday and I have one word for you. Fantastic." How could you ever show your face in public again? This show has been gaining such a huge audience, people will recognize you. I realize that everyone deserves his/her few seconds of airtime, but how desperate are we? I'd rather be the guy blown into the camera on the eleven o'clock news El Nino footage.

These people must be actors, no? Ones who were passed over as extras for the next Ernest or Paulie Shore movie. Have you ever wondered whether such people exist? I have. Many times.

Or should we be more concerned about the people who tune in regularly? Do some of us have an appetite for violence? For this is exactly what I think media moguls are tapping into for profit, and I think it's sad. Hence the $19.95 (+ 4.95 s/h) video of the more explicit sexual and violent episodes of Springer deemed too racy for television. Hence a recent film, "Fierce Creatures," also bases its plot on attracting more people to a zoo by promoting and displaying animal's violent tendencies (even when we have the larger tendency, animals or humans? Hence more and more of our movies offer us increasing doses of glamorized violence; villains don't die just once, but many times. And the camera zooms in to show us every gaping wound and sudden jerk of a mutilated body. Can this be dismissed merely because that villain was a really bad man?

Sure, there are positive things to say about Springer. First, if we have a proclivity to violence, it's better to drain it five days a week then let it simmer until we grab a hammer and go to town. Second, watching freak shows definitely assures us of our own normality. Someone holding a gun to his head can tune in and think, "Man, I thought I was an outcast," while the rest of us can think, "Man, I thought my life sucked."

What's Happening At U.C.

Jennifer Heil
of The Grizzly

As the second half of the semester gets underway, students on the campus face a span of musical and intellectual experience at their disposal. Music tops the agenda this week as USGA presents the annual Airband concert, a night of lip-synching and laughter, on Friday, March 27 at 8 PM in Wismer Lower Lounge.
**Sports**

**Women's Lacrosse Gets Tune Up in Florida**

by Jacqueline Colvin

Sports Editor

The UC women's lacrosse team not only came back from spring break with a bang, but more importantly they were back ready to kick off their season successfully.

The lady Bears worked hard, concentrated on their play, and left their mark in Florida this past week. The team traveled to St. Petersburg, Florida to compete against various other NCAA teams. Among the teams UC competed against were Division I programs, Temple University, Hofstra University, Wagner College, and Boston University. Other Division III teams participating were Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Rowan University, Mary Washington College, and Mountclair University.

The team began their week of spring training with many practices and intra-squad scrimmages. The lr-2 Bears took advantage of their opportunity to be together by working hard as a unit. Sophomore, Madeline Diny, agrees, "The practices brought us together and helped us test our potential. We tried new things which made us more comfortable and confident using what we had practiced in games."

The team worked over, reviewed, and practiced many different aspects of the game. They spent substantial time on offensive and defensive play, and their transition down the field. The UC ladies started off their tough competition in the first round-robin tournament on Tuesday morning. The Bears played Temple, Yale, Hofstra, and Mount Clair. Each scrimmage was 25 minutes long and the teams were randomly selected to play one another. It was just so happened that the first team we played was Coach Carrie Reilly's former team, Temple University. The UC team matched up well against Division I powerhouse, Temple.

Sophomore, Ashley Claus, said, "Temple plays the same attack and defense as us. So, it was interesting to see our plays on a different level. Our team seemed to know how to defend them well and we held them to only four goals."

Another big scrimmage for the Bears was against Mary Washington College. The Bears, in the first half, were tired and played below their potential. At the half, the UC ladies were down 9-4, but at that point the game just seemed to start for the Bears. In the second half, UC held Mary Washington to no goals and triumphantly scored 12 goals. The lady Bears ended the scrimmage by winning 16-9.

Junior goalie, JoAnne Kenney, who had a shut-out the second half, commented, "After a slow start in the first half, at halftime we began to focus on what we had to do. We simply went out there and did what we had to do to win the game."

After that win, Ursinus was confident going into their second round-robin tournament on Thursday. The lady Bears won four of their five games played that day. Included in this winning streak was their scrimmage against Rowan. The Bears ended their lacrosse play on Thursday, and had the opportunity to visit Disney World on Friday. The lady Bears are ready to get their games started and are confident in their team's performance this season.

Coach Reilly said, "This week was great practice for our team. It's been beneficial in two ways. First, we will have a few games under our belt before we even step on the field to play. Secondly, we had a chance to bond together as a team."

**Men's Lax Plays at Corestates**

The Ursinus Men's Lacrosse Team suffered a 12-2 defeat at the hands of Albright College Saturday night at the Corestates Center in South Philadelphia. It was the first box lacrosse game ever for Ursinus.

Following a thrilling National Lacrosse League game in which the Philadelphia Wings were down 15-14 by the New York Saints, Ursinus took the green pseudo-turf and did their best impersonation of a box lacrosse team. Albright wasn't fooled.

After a slow start which served as a feeling out period for the two familiar field enemies in the National Club Lacrosse League, Albright scored seven unanswered goals to break the game open.

Ursinus, playing in only their second game of the season (the first being a 15-2 loss to Temple in a field game), was visibly tired after the first 20 minutes of play. Of the 12 Albright goals, 8 were the result of odd-man rushes and five of those were unimpeded breakaways.

The lopsided outcome could have been a lot worse had it not been for the solid play of junior goaleater Chuck Karns. Despite the lack of defense, Karns stood tall on several breakaways and finished the game.

Men's Lacrosse Opens at Albright

by Melanie Albert

The Ursinus Men's Lacrosse Team opened their season in a 12-2 defeat at the hands of Albright College last Tuesday. The team lost every set of each of their nine matches.

The final score was 9-0 Albright. It was the Men's Tennis Team's first game of the season.

"I don't think we were prepared for that level of play... and we underestimated their abilities. I guess we just got shut out, it's as simple as that," said third year player Karcit Padmanabhan.

Although the team began practicing on February 1, it was still not enough to beat Albright.

"Our guys were tough and well prepared but they were outmatched," admitted Dr. Del Engstrom, the team's head coach.

He has been coaching the team for the past five years. When Ursinus moved from the MAC Conference to the newly formed Centennial Conference, Dr. Engstrom acknowledged that the Centennial Conference has very strong teams that are difficult to beat.

"We are a young team," said senior Scott Hoffman. "A lot of upperclassmen are gone. We're still well behind the ears. We're a strong team, but we are in a pretty competitive conference. Individually the team has excellent players, but they just need more collegiate experience."

Hoffman said that the difference between playing in high school and college is very shocking to many people. "The level of competition is greater and it's stronger... Most of the players have received professional training. Tennis is not the kind of sport that you just know how to play. It takes a lot of practice and dedication to really make it to the top," said Hoffman.

Despite their loss, both Padmanabhan and Hoffman seem optimistic for the future of the tennis team. "The coach is really great, and that's why you see the same people coming out for the team year after year. Things are run very well. Everyone gets along, and we'll try to build on this in the future," explained Hoffman.

"You have to just keep going in there and give it your all," said Padmanabhan.

Hoffman, who has played for the team on and off for the past four years, feels that the team can truly get better, by continuously attracting great high school players. "The team has to perform and get more wins behind them. The more wins we add, the more momentum we can build up and the more support we will get from within the school. The more support we can get from within the school, the more we can begin to draw talented athletes from the outside... the better we can become," explained Hoffman.

Ursinus' next match is at home against Widener on Wednesday, March 25.
Vonnie Gros, Ursinus Legend Retires

by Richard Neal
of The Grizzly

A piece of U.S. Olympic history is leaving Ursinus in May. Vonnie Gros, the head field hockey coach at Ursinus for the past eight years, is resigning. Regarded as one of the most knowledgeable field hockey coaches in the world, Gros is the only head coach to lead the U.S. Field Hockey Team to a bronze medal in 1984. Gros has also coached the 1980 Olympic team and the U.S. World Cup team in 1979 to a third place finish and a sixth place finish in 1983.

A graduate from Ursinus in 1957, Gros has coached college field hockey at West Chester University and Princeton University before returning to her alma mater to coach in 1989. While at Ursinus, Gros has compiled a 65-90-9 record, but she has meant more to the players and the program than just wins and losses. Bill Akin, Ursinus Athletic Director, said, “What she gave the Ursinus’ field hockey team was international recognition and credibility. Anyone who was anybody in the world, knew and respected Vonnie Gros.” Gros has led Ursinus to playoff berths in the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) in 1989 and 1995, and last year to the Patriot League Playoffs.

Lauren Flanagan, a sophomore player on the field hockey team, is disappointed to see Gros leave. “She’s real upset. She’s a legend in field hockey. And we’ve been growing closer to her and getting so much better. We made the playoffs last year and now she’s leaving. It’s as if we’re losing momentum.”

Gros has held many honors, awards and an outstanding reputation as a coach. She has worked closely with the United States Field Hockey Association (USFHA) in developing and ensuring the future of the game. In 1996, she was named Field Hockey Developmental Coach of the Year by the USFHA. Gros is a member of the USFHA Hall of Fame, and the South Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Chester University, and Ursinus College halls of fame as well. Gros has also played on the U.S. National Team for 13 years, and has toured more than any other U.S. Team member: eight times as a player and five times as a coach.

Gros was the first holder of the Elenor Frost Snell Chair of Health and Physical Education and coach of the Ursinus College Division I Field Hockey Team. As strong of a presence and leader in field hockey as Gros was, she should be difficult to replace. Bill Akin feels that way. “She’s a legend. You don’t replace a legend. It’s sort of like Dean Smith [former coach] of North Carolina Basketball. You don’t replace a legend. But they’ve changed coaches and they have had a good year. We’ve started the search for a new coach and hope to have a good field hockey season next fall. But it won’t be the same.”

Baseball Wins Home Opener

The Ursinus Men’s Baseball team defeated Philadelphia College of Pharmacy on Friday 6-1.

Mike Boyer pitched two relief innings for the Bears to pick up the win in the home opener, while improving his overall record to 2-0. The Bears (8-4) rallied for a four run burst in the fifth inning, snapping a 1-1 tie. Ben Mills singled in the first two Ursinus runs of the inning and finished the day 2 for 4 from the plate. Ursinus resumes play on Wednesday March 25 at Rutgers/Camden.

Women's Lax Settles for Tie Against Rowan

Jacqueline Colvin
Sports Editor

The UC women’s lacrosse team is ready to play rain or shine. Although many sporting events were canceled this past week due to bad weather, that did not stop the Bears from their usual aggressive play on the lacrosse field. On Thursday, March 19, the lacrosse team tied Rowan University 10-10 in a game played at St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia. The Bears had their game moved to the turf field at St. Joe’s because their field was under water.

The Bears went into the game with reckless abandon, knowing they had an advantage over Rowan after beating them in Florida. In the first half of the game, the Bears rose to the occasion and dominated in every aspect, defensively and offensively. At the end of the first half, the Bears were winning 6-3. However, the latter part of the game seemed to be a different story.

“Definitely dominated in the first half, but when they tied us we seemed to get panicking. This caused a loss of concentration within our team.” said senior captain Kris Algeo. Algeo, the first-home for the Bears, had a game high of 4 spectacular goals and 4 assists.

The Bears let down a little in the second half and gave Rowan a much undeserved chance to win the game.

“Rowan tied it up with us at the end of the game, which seemed to frustrate all the players,” said junior attack wing, Erika Johnston. “They took every opportunity we gave them to come back.”

The lead switched back and forth between the two teams in the last few crucial minutes of the game. When the clock had run out for the regulation time of the game, it showed a tie between UC and Rowan. Both coaches decided to play a six minute overtime. In overtime, the Bears scored first with a little over three minutes to play. Then Rowan answered with a goal. The intensity on both teams continued to rise; however, the whistle sounded and the game was unfortunately over. Both teams were pressed with time, yet UC had to stop play and take home a tie. Algeo commented, “I knew if we continued to play, we would have won in double over-time.” There seemed inches and 4 feet eight inches between the two teams in the last few crucial minutes of the game.

THE SCOREBOARD

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Women’s Lacrosse:
Rowan 10, Ursinus 10
Middleburg 23, Ursinus 8
Senior Kris Algeo scored 6 goals and 5 assists in the two games played this week.

Men’s Lacrosse:
Albright 12, Ursinus 2
Junior Chuck Karr has 15 saves in his game at the Corestates Center.

Baseball:
Ursinus 6, Philadelphia College of Pharmacy
Pitcher Mike Boyer improved to 2-0.

Men’s Tennis:
Albright 9, Ursinus 0

Upcoming Events

Women’s Lacrosse:
3/24 @ Bryn Mawr
3/26 @ College of New Jersey
3/28 @ Gettysburg

Men’s Lacrosse:
3/24 Delaware Valley College
3/25 Lehigh University
3/29 @ College of New Jersey

Baseball:
3/25 @ Rutgers/Camden
3/26 Delaware Valley
3/28 @ Gettysburg

Softball:
3/24 Haverford
3/28 Dickinson

Men’s Tennis:
3/25 Widener
3/26 @ Haverford

Women’s Tennis:
3/26 Johns Hopkins
3/28 Swarthmore

Track & Field:
3/28 Ursinus Invitational

Golf:
3/26 @ Lebanon Valley vs. Lebanon Valley and Messiah