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Cornel West to Speak at Commencement

On Saturday, May 16, 1998, Dr. Cornel West is scheduled to be the featured speaker at Ursinus College's 1998 commencement ceremony.

Dr. West has become one of the leaders in the ongoing racial issue. He is a Professor of religion and Afro-American Studies at Harvard University. Dr. West received his B.A. from Harvard and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Princeton University.

West has authored several books, including the best-selling book Race Matters.

West was influenced by the traditions as diverse as the Baptist Church, American transcendentalism, the Black Panthers and European philosophy. West believes that racial divisions foster the poverty paranoia, the despair and distrust that undermine our nation's democratic process. He tries to convey this message to his students through education. In creating an ongoing dialogue between the races, West pursues his vigilant and virtuous efforts to restore hope in America. West's work confronts what he calls the "monumental eclipse of hope and the unprecedented collapse of meaning" in American race relations.

West has also authored some other ground breaking books, including Jews and Blacks: Let the Healing Begin; Restoring Hope; Born Without Skin; and Breaking Bread: Insurgent Black Intellectual Life.

As a part of the graduation celebration, West will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters by Ursinus President John Strassburger.

Ursinus will also grant degrees to 360 members of the class of 1998 in the college's day and evening program. The class valedictorian is Melissa Gilbert, a biology major from Lenexa Kansas. She is a graduate of Shawnee Mission South High School and the daughter of Barbara and Charles Gilbert. Tarik Qasim, a biology major from Rosemont, Pa. is the salutatorian. He is a Radnor High School graduate and the son of Nasira T. Majid.

The ceremonies are scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, May 16 on the front lawn of campus.

Ursinus Class of '48 to Meet Class of '98

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The events are planned to bring the class of 1948 up to date with what this year's graduates went through to get where they are today. Now, let's take a trip back in time to when the graduates of 1948 went to Ursinus. They entered in 1944 as freshmen not knowing all the ins and outs of Ursinus. That year was a time to get used to the new surroundings. To signify their status as freshman, they were to wear green ribbons and name tags.

Along with having the class of 1948 lead the procession of this year's graduation, they will also be enjoying the weekend back at their alma mater. They will be attending student guided tours around campus.

Many things have changed since they have been on campus. For instance, their equivalent to our Zack's Place/Bookstore, was located behind Bomberger.

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Besides coping with the freshmen customs, major events happened this year as well. Franklin Delano Roosevelt died on April 12, 1945 and Berlin fell on May 2, 1945 which is known as V-E Day.

World War II occurred throughout their freshman year and instead of just college students on campus there was also an officer training program for sailors.

Due to the war, male enrollment was down. On campus, there was 561 people enrolled out of that number 208 were sailors, 380 were women, which left only 53 civilian men.

Their sophomore, junior and senior years were very different because of the surrender of Japan on September 2, 1945. The officer training program closed in November of 1945, but that did not stop soldiers from returning to Ursinus after the war's end.

Also in 1945, guests were charged 50 cents to eat dinner in the college dining room and 35 cents for breakfast or lunch. This change was accompanied with the hours in which the upperclassmen were allowed to be out at night.

Attention seniors graduating in 1998! Imagine having to be inside your dorm every night before 10:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. on Saturdays. How about getting dressed up for dinner every night; women wearing skirts and blouses and men wearing shirts, slacks, ties, and jackets.

Students today might envy some aspects of the life on campus during the span from 1944 to 1948, but there are parts of their experience hopefully we will never have to experience. Laura Feldman, sophomore at Ursinus said, "I would get dressed up for dinner if everyone had to, but I would never want to have gone to school during World War II. That must have been really difficult for them."

Times have really changed since 1948, but the Ursinus memories for the class of 1948 will always be the same. The seniors of 1998 will experience the same trip down memory lane when they march in front of the class of 2048.
Editors Say Farewell

Hello Ursinus students. I just wanted to say that it has been a pleasure writing news for you this semester. Since I have started writing for The Grizzly, I have heard nothing but positive feedback and that makes everything worthwhile. I would also like to thank The Grizzly writing staff, editing staff, editor-in-chief, and Dr. Edwards for all the support that you have shown me this year. I give special thanks to my co-editor Zenzi Ali. You have taught me so much and I will forever be grateful. It has been an exciting year and I hope that there will be more to come.

Maria DeGracia '01
Opinions Editor

Ursinus Security Officer Survives Motorcycle Accident

by Ryan Hemphill
of The Grizzly

When JR Hodgson, a security officer at Ursinus, was riding his motorcycle on Thursday March 26th around 5:15 PM, he came to the intersection of Main street and Route 113. "As the car came up on me, the last thing I thought was, this is going to hurt," said JR. Less than a second later, JR Hodgson and his motorcycle smashed headlong into a car. "My leg hit the car so hard it ripped the bumper off." In that moment, his leg was broken in several places and a portion of his calf the size of a tennis ball was gone.

Although the pain the accident caused him would have been beyond measure, JR remembers nothing of the next hour. "I went into shock...people said I was babbling, even my wife...my mind just checked out at that point." JR stated. His father, Gary Hodgson, who is also security officer of this campus, recounted, "we saw him about an hour later, around 6:15 or so, and he wasn't start making sense until at least a half hour after that."

Surprisingly, JR laughed about this situation saying, "I came around just long enough to see my family show up and wouldn't you know it, For a man who had to go into surgery several times, getting his bones reset and skin grafts, only to be house-bound for a month, JR is still his remarkably chipper self. "One of the things that surprised me was how many get-well cards and tokens of appreciation I got. It was terrific to receive all those gifts! I sent in a personal thank you to the Ursinus Grizzly...all the support has been great!"

Although JR has come to campus a few times since his accident, he is supposed to be staying at home, and probably will for the next few months. "The doctors suspended my leg in so my skin can heal properly now but I'll be getting a cast." It will be a long time before he can return to his position at security, however. JR hopes to come back to work sometime around after Thanksgiving and Christmas.
Reflections from the Class of 1998

Senior Quotes

by Karen Hollinger
A&E Editor

Graduation is approaching faster than the seniors believed it would. This is the time for them to reflect on their years here and what the people, classes, and lessons have meant to them in retrospect. The graduating History, Communication Arts, and English majors were asked to give farewell wishes to the Ursinus community. This is what they wanted to immortalize in the last issue of The Grizzly of their undergraduate careers:

"Life is composed of nows."
- Emily Dickinson

"Taneille Smith
English"

"Go naked!"
Christine Pili
English

"New theatre. More theatre professors."
Joseph Catalfano
English

"I'd like to see the Communications Department receive more funding so that it can expand its programs."
Dennis Prichett
Communication Arts

"Thanks to all the professors who made History so hard. It is because of them that I want to become a history professor. I'll never forget Doughty in Holocaust Seminar."
Caroline Kurtz
History

"A final opinion: Everyone is entitled to a ripe banana now and again. (In Wismar, of course.)"
Lauren Newkirk
English

"I had fun, learned a lot, and I'm ready to move on. No longer can this place take my money."
Will Grove
History

"I'd rather laugh with the sinners than die with the saints...Only the good die young."
Billy Joel

"Thanks to all my professors. I would've never made it out of here without them. Thanks to my advisors. I think they did just as much work as I did."
Lauren Stephen
Communication Arts

"My college career was a four year joke and the punchline is on May 16th. If I can do it, you can do it:"
Wayne (Stork) Dudley
Communication Arts

Politics Department Bids Farewell

Those from the politics department are proud of their major. Doug Rickards explained, "It's known throughout the country. The quality of education in the politics department is very high. Christian Rice also agreed with Rickards. "I feel they did an excellent job in preparing me for graduate studies," he said. He also added how the department "gave me research opportunities."

One area that Rickards spoke of improvement is in the area of recognition. "Ursinus is a very good school but not everyone on campus knows about the politics department because of the large emphasis on the sciences," he explained.

The sciences here at Ursinus, like the politics department, are known around the country. Dana Mastrovito is the only graduating physics major. "I'm really glad I went to a liberal arts college," she explained. When asked if there was anything that she wished to be changed, she responded how she was disappointed with the "lack of money for research equipment."

The chemistry department will be one of the beneficiaries to the new addition to Pfahler Hall next year. This comes one year too late for the class of 1999. Edgar Arevelo expressed some resentment. "They (the Department) did a good job but I wish they had the funding for the addition sooner," he explained.

Jill Schweitzer and Tracy Zeiler are two senior math majors. Both were very happy with the work done by their majors. "I'm really glad I chose math. It got me a good job," Zeiler said. "I feel very well prepared for the future," Schweitzer added.

Seniors Give Fairwell Remarks

by Jay Wilkes
of The Grizzly

The time was fall 1994 and the class of 1998 entered Ursinus. The members of the class progressed from freshmen to sophomores to juniors and finally became seniors. Now, it is almost time for the class of 1998 to graduate. Several seniors are looking forward to their graduation with open eyes about their experiences here and in the future. Jennifer Calhoun, an Anthropology/Sociology major, is one of these seniors.

"My four years here are four I will never forget, but I look forward to exploring life," Calhoun said.

Alli Smith and Beth Gillard, both Psychology majors, had similar remarks about their time at Ursinus.

"I am pleased with my four years at Ursinus, but I am looking forward to moving on," Smith said. She also remarked, "Ursinus will definitely be missed."

Gillard said, "I had fun while I was here, but I'm glad to be leaving."

Gillard also felt that she would miss Ursinus.

Two senior biology majors remarked about their departmental guidance and their years here. Doug Fecteau felt the biology department was helpful in all of the guidance it gave to its students.

When asked about leaving Fecteau said, "I will miss Ursinus when I graduate."

Fecteau also left advice for the administration. He said, "The administration needs to listen to student concerns more than they say they do."

Stacy Harden is the other biology major who remarked about the department and her time here at Ursinus.

"The Biology department was helpful, but its professors need to know all of the majors, not just their own advisees," Harden said.

In closing remarks about Ursinus Harden said two things. First she said, "I will miss my time here, but I am glad to be moving on." The second comment she made was advice for students remaining at the college. "Study hard, I won't be," Harden said.

Regardless of their comments all the seniors had similar feelings about leaving. They all will miss it here, but definitely want to move on. Best of luck to them.

More Senior Fairwells

by Rich Neal
of The Grizzly

On May 16th, Ursinus' class of 1998 graduates. The day is rapidly approaching where seniors will leave Ursinus and move onto a new stage in their lives. Some of the seniors discussed their feelings on some of the departments at Ursinus. One of the major fields of study at Ursinus is the Economics and Business Administration (ECBa) Department. Two seniors, Larry Santucci and Ryan Billheimer both ECBa majors, provided two different views of the department.

Santucci, a senior economics major, participated in the Undergraduate Economics Conference at Ursinus on April 17th. Overall, Santucci is impressed with Ursinus' ECBa department and while participating in the Economics Conference his feelings were strengthened.

"At the Economics Conference I saw how much better prepared we (Ursinus students) were compared to other schools. We were miles ahead," Santucci said.

At the conference Santucci presented his research on "Modeling the Determinants of Student Attrition and Retention." Santucci believes that the research and education he has received at Ursinus have been very beneficial and will help him when he graduates.

"The research that you have to do for classes is helpful because application of the things you learn is important. The 'hands-on' learning, computer experience, along with learning each principle of accounting and SAS econometrics are things that make you more attractive to an employer."

A weak point of the department that Santucci spoke of was "the influx of teachers."

"When you need to talk to old teachers for recommendations, it's tough. The constant changing and leaving of teachers makes it hard to get recommendations," Santucci said.

Fellow senior ECBa major, Ryan Billheimer, doesn't see the ECBa department in the same light as Santucci. Billheimer stressed the weaker points of the department.

"I've had good teachers but they've left or weren't full time. I've had only one teacher that I've liked, who has stayed for all four years."

Billheimer believes that the Business Department isn't as large or on the same level as other departments. "I think that the Business Department is underfunded and undermanned," Billheimer said. "I think the administration does a horrible job of taking care of the teachers. There are a lot of students for the teachers, but there's not a lot of choice for classes," Billheimer said.

However, as far as the department preparing students for life after graduation, Billheimer says, "The students should prepare themselves."

Two other seniors of different majors voiced their views of their departments. Valerie Murray, an ESS major, was pleased with the ESS department, but Mark Pink, a philosophy major, pointed to shortcomings in the Philosophy department.

Valerie Murray spoke of a good relation with her professors in the ESS department. "The faculty of the ESS department were strong, really good professors. I'll miss the professors. Some were good friends," Murray said.

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On Behalf of International Students.

We, as international students, have had the opportunity to study at Ursinus College. The majority of the people, however, seem not to care about communication between American students and international students. There is an international house where we used to study together. In my freshman year, I had troubles in taking notes. I asked the student who sat next to me to show me her notes after the class. After I asked several times, when I came to class, I found she moved to the back, which was away from my seat. When I was too busy to go to parties as other students, a friend of mine said to me, “Why do you study so hard? Go to the movie, play at the shore, and have some fun!” My question is “who will take me there?”

In my experience, everybody shows an interest and helps us at the beginning. However, when we try to become closer, not everybody is truly friends with us anymore. I feel most people want to be friends with us at a distance. Now I return to the first question, “Am I still a stranger after two years of experience at Ursinus?” Those stories are only a couple of examples that I had. It was not in the first year that I felt culture shock and homesick even though I had no ability to speak English. I was very excited to have a special opportunity in an American college and had a lot of energy to try to overcome many difficulties. It was in my junior year that I was deeply depressed by many severe experiences.

As a senior today, I have recognized that I don’t have as much motivation or enthusiasm as I had before. Now, I just hope to finish all my work and get out of here. Even after four years of experiences, when I see a group study on campus, I always ask myself first, “May I join them?” Can I be one of them?” Even if I happen to become involved in a group discussion, I still feel I am different and not one of them. The above words might be a little negative, but it does not mean I don’t like the people here or the United States. Not everybody is doing what I said above. Some people are very nice while some are not. That is life. It may not be true only in the United States but everywhere in this world.

Furthermore, it is not because of international students that the above cases happened, but the problem is that the international students are depressed because they think it is because of “international students.” It might be partly our problem, too, and that is the starting point of the miscommunication between American students and international students.

It is not all the time that I feel alone since everybody has one’s work and I do not expect everybody to pay attention to me in such a busy situation. It is when everybody leaves campus on a holiday weekend, when people have conversations with family and old friends after the music concert in which I also played, when people are partners in a lab, and when I become sick and sleep in my bed alone. When you are looking at the broiled brown turkey with your whole family, that’s the time when we are completely out of your mind, isn’t it?

This writing is not a criticism but just a message telling you what kind of problems we have. Most people say, “I can imagine how difficult it is for an international student,” but they do not exactly know how difficult it is, how we are hesitant, and what we feel negative about. We would like to keep sending the message to people who may pay attention to us.

The following is a summary of the first UCIA meeting. If you are the least bit interested in us, please read it and try to attend our next meeting. Everybody on campus is welcome to join the UCIA meeting and to discuss issues with us.

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Recognition of the Arts at UC

by Mindy Hackett
of the Grizzly

The issue of the sciences placing the liberal arts in the shadows at Ursinus has grown into a concern throughout our campus community. Here at Ursinus, though, we have a resource that many colleges do not, The Philip and Muriel Berman Museum of Art.

Just as the strength of the science departments has encouraged many alumni and businesses to donate funds to further the sciences at Ursinus, the museum is helping to further the liberal arts here.

In 1920, the building was constructed as The Memorial Library for those Ursinus students who were killed in World War I. In 1973 it became the student center and ten years ago it was renovated into the museum. The museum is run under the direction of Lisa Barnes and Nancy Fago. In addition the museum has a full-time secretary, Dianne Love, and twelve student assistants in order to operate smoothly.

The museum has two galleries, the upper gallery and the main gallery, and storage space in the basement to house the permanent collection. While the upper and lower galleries are used to display traveling exhibits, the college has acquired quite an impressive permanent collection. Unfortunately, we do not have the space to regularly display the artwork which rests in storage.

The permanent collection consists of 3,000 pieces of donated artwork, 1,300 of which has been generously donated to the college by the Bermans. While a large part of the collection consists of framed artwork, there are 1,000 unframed works on paper and 418 sculptures. Although some of the collection is spread throughout the campus and in the buildings and offices, the majority is stored in the basement of the museum.

The contents of the permanent collection are surprisingly diverse. No, the Berman Museum does not have Monet's Water Lilies or Michaelangelo's David, but it does have a plethora of works by many famous artists. Some highlights of the collection are; a series of etchings and lithographs (engravings) by surrealist Salvador Dali, a lithograph of Post-Impressionist Paul Gauguin's painting titled Tahitian Woman, an oil painting titled Boat Beached on Shore by Winslow Homer, a pictorial reporter for the Civil War, ten lithographs by Pop artist Roy Lichtenstein (one of the most talented artists of the American Barnett School), six lithographs by abstract artist Pablo Picasso, an engraving by the impressionist Pierre Auguste Renoir, and one lithograph and two serigraphs by Pop artist Andy Warhol, including Jacqueline Kennedy II, just to name a few.

In addition to the permanent collection, The Pennsylvania Folk Life Society donated about 1,000 artifacts to the college in 1973. The collection, which has not yet been accessioned into the permanent collection, consists of artifacts including personal items, household items, farming equipment, furniture, clothing and textiles. This collection is held in an off-site storage space where members of the museum staff has spent the last four years cataloguing the items and picking out the cream of the crop.

In order to display more of the permanent collection, plans were then made to put an addition onto the museum. A one million dollar grant was approved by the state of Pennsylvania, an architect was hired and blueprints were drawn, but unfortunately Governor Casey left office before signing the grant.

Many students must wonder how the college can afford to pay for the operating costs and the artwork of the Berman Museum. However, there is no need to worry. The museum does not charge admission, it is always free and there are always free food and beverages at the opening of each new exhibit. The museum is very receptive to allowing students to take advantage of its resources. The whole collection is catalogued on The Myrin Library on-line cataloguing system. Any student can make an appointment to view any piece of artwork in the collection that he/she wishes. Professors are also allowed to borrow the artwork to use as a teaching aid. For example, the psychology department uses optical artworks in class for learning about perception.

When the museum is open, students are permitted to use the art library on the second floor to study and use the art books, which are non-circulating, but catalogued through Myrin.

Commenting on the use of the art museum, freshman Mark Bernheim, who is a museum assistant said, "I feel that the art museum is a very untapped resource on the Ursinus campus. I know I could get lost for hours in the basement looking at the permanent collection, which is just screaming to be displayed."

Currently on display in the upper gallery, until May 29, is the photography of Barry J. Eisenberg. In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel, Eisenberg's photographs focus on the breathtaking views and intimate details of Israel's deserts, seas and mountains.

Tuesday April 28, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. is the opening reception of the Annual Student Exhibition. This exhibition features paintings, drawings, watercolor, and photography by Ursinus studio arts students taught by Ted Xaras, Barbara J. Zucker and Michael McCarthy.

If you have not yet visited the art museum, The Student Exhibition is a good time to start. The museum loves visitors, and if you love museums or art, why not give it a go?
by Kim Inglot
of The Grizzly

Rev. Dr. M. Scott Landis, the former campus chaplain, is making his way back to Ursinus College. After working at the college for 12 years, the Southeast Pennsylvania native left for the West Coast in 1997. Now, he is returning to visit the college that he loves to give a sermon at the baccalaureate service.

“I can’t wait,” Dr. Landis explained. “It will be terrific to see the staff and faculty. I am looking forward to coming back and seeing the people that I love.”

Dr. Landis landed the job at Ursinus College after responding to an advertisement in a United Church of Christ conference mailing. He had been working at the New Goshenhoppen United Church of Christ for six years as an assistant pastor and saw the opening at the college; so, he applied.

Dr. Landis felt the need for change. “I was looking to do something different,” he explained. “I had my degree in pastoral counseling and wanted to use my counseling skills. So, I applied on a whim.” Fortunately for Ursinus College, he did. In 1985, Dr. Landis became the first full-time chaplain of Ursinus College.

Over the next 12 years, he received other titles. In 1990, Rev. Landis became the executive assistant to the president of the college. After that, he was named the executive secretary to the Board of Directors in 1994. The following year, Dr. Landis served as the adjunct associate professor of religion and philosophy, teaching such courses as Liberal Studies Seminar.

“I loved working with college students,” Dr. Landis explained. “The thing I loved about the college was the overriding sense of community. I enjoyed the friendly nature of the campus. There was a sense of loyalty to the institution.”

Then, after 12 years of working as the school chaplain, Dr. Landis left for Denver, Colorado to accept a position as the senior minister of the First Plymouth Congregational Church of Christ. Rev. Landis left the campus he had served for so long to take his services out West.

However, Dr. Landis misses his home in Southeast Pennsylvania, and especially the beauty of the Ursinus College campus. “I miss the dogwoods and the azaleas,” he explained. “The campus is just a beautiful place to be. I miss the students, faculty, staff and the beauty of the place.”

Now, Dr. Landis is coming back to the beautiful place that he called home for so many years to be recognized by the college that he holds dear.

Rev. Landis was asked to give a sermon at the baccalaureate service in Bomberger Hall on Friday, May 15, at 6:30 p.m. Then at commencement, Rev. Dr. Landis will be celebrated with an honorary degree from Ursinus College. President Strasburger will bestow Dr. Landis with an honorary Doctor of Divinity, making him an official alumnus of the college.

“It’s an honor,” described Rev. Landis. “I never felt completely part of [the college] so it will be nice to become an actual alumnus.”

However, the revered reverend will be heading back to the West after his sermon. Right now, the other side of the country is where he needs to be. “It’s a completely different world [out West],” explained Dr. Landis. “I have an entirely different perspective and a different view of the world now.”

The West coast is lucky to have such an esteemed minister, counselor and friend.

The Great Pennsylvania Workout Day Comes To Ursinus

by Tricia Murnane
special to The Grizzly

On Friday, May 1st “The Great Pennsylvania Workout Day” will be at Ursinus. This year the event will be sponsored by the exercise and sport science club. The mission for the day is to bring the Ursinus College community together for one day in an attempt to promote and excite a need for physical activity. All members of the faculty, staff, and student population are invited to join us.

The day will be filled with fun activities to give everyone a chance to participate. Our goal is to have at least 500 participants. The day’s schedule (which is subject to change based on the weather) includes:

- 7:00am - Team Taught Aerobics in the Dance Room
- 12:00pm - Playground Games in front of Wismer
- 12:00pm - A Poker walk around the campus
- 1:00pm - Knockout Tournament, on the outdoor courts
- 2:00pm - Bench press competition, in the Weight room
- 3:00pm - A Home-Run Derby, on the Softball field

There will also be a volleyball tournament behind Reimert that will begin on Wednesday and Friday. We are also offering a Rollerblading Instruction Session. The first 10 participants to sign up are free and all participants to follow will cost $10. Rollerblades will be provided. Time and location of this event will follow.

Prizes will be given out at all events. Also between the hours of 8:00 am to 11:00 am and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm if you are “caught” by us working out in the cardio room, weight room, pool, or on the track you will receive a prize. There will be a raffle going on throughout the day for a free one month membership to Body Transit. A one month membership to the Nautilus Connection will be raffled off at the aerobics class at 7:00 in the morning. Other prizes include T-shirts, gift certificates, and coupons.

We hope that everyone will come out and help make this year’s Great Pennsylvania Workout Day a success. If you would like to help or if you have any questions please feel free to contact Tricia Murnane at extension 3028.
New Honor For Ursinus

by Trish Murnane

On Sunday April 26, 1998 the Exercise and Sports Science department of Ursinus College installed its own charter into Phi Epsilon Kappa, the national honor fraternity for health, physical education, recreation, and dance. The Ursinus charter, Delta Theta, has been in the works for three years now. To develop its own charter, the ESS department had to apply to Phi Epsilon Kappa and meet its approval.

The guidelines for Delta Theta include a 3.2 GPA overall and a 3.5 GPA within the department. Also, it is mandatory to be a member in the major's club, initiative in professional development, service to the campus and community, and/or participation in research for the department.

This is a great milestone for the ESS department. Phi Epsilon Kappa has over 100 thousand international members, 13,000 of which are active.

It is an honor for Ursinus to have students that are members of this organization. The charter members include: President, Sean McCoy; Vice President, Megan Brown; Secretary/Treasurer, Laurie Barilotti; Cristin Veit, Kevin Bailey, Joseph Cusella, Mary Love, Angela Mullan, Tricia Murnane, and Valerie Murray. The charter's advisors are: Dr. Robert Davidson, Dr. Laura Borsdorf, and Dr. Delwyn Engstrom.
Plans for New Fieldhouse Underway

by Jesse Federman
of the Grizzly

The Ursinus Fieldhouse Committee, chaired by Dr. Akin, is currently in phase I of its plans to construct a new on-campus athletic complex. Working in conjunction with Renaissance Design Group (RDG), an architectural firm based in Des Moines, Iowa, the Committee is in the process of developing a program document, scheduled to be finished in June '98. While still in the earliest stages of the project, if all goes as planned, will reach completion before 2000.

According to Dr. Akin, “RDG has done a lot of work on athletic complexes in the $5 to $15 million price range at small colleges.” This is ideal for Ursinus, as the Committee expects to spend approximately $7.5 million on the new facilities. Incidentally, while most of RDG’s work has been for schools in the Midwest, the firm is responsible for the new fieldhouse at Franklin and Marshall College.

The program document, presently under development, will determine on the basic guidelines for the new fieldhouse, such as a suitable location. Once this stage of planning is complete, the Committee will select a team of architects to draft the actual blueprints for the facilities. According to schedule, this decision will be made by the end of the summer of ’98. Although Akin admits the Committee is pleased with RDG’s work thus far, they are not guaranteed the final contract. They will receive consideration, but will not be given special preference.

Once the Committee decides upon an architectural team, it hopes to have blueprints completed by June ’99, at which point it will accept bids on the project. With bids scheduled to be taken care of by the end of the summer of ’99, construction will begin in the fall of ’99. If all goes as planned, the final result will be unveiled before the fall of 2000.

According to Akin, the Committee is “so far on track, right on the timetable we projected,” but there is still some fundraising to do. Of the $7.5 million needed for the project, the Committee currently has $4 million in pocket, all courtesy of donations from Ursinus friends and alumni. The largest donation came via Marilyn and Drew Lewis, residents of nearby Skippack, who gave $3 million to the cause. Marilyn is on the Ursinus Board of Directors, and Drew is the former president of Union Pacific Railroad and served as Secretary of Transportation under Ronald Reagan. The rest of the money came in sums ranging from $100,000 to $500,000.

As far as specific plans for the facilities, little is set in stone. “The only thing set in my mind,” commented Akin, “is a six-lane, 200 meter track.” This track will encompass an area large enough to accommodate either three full-size basketball courts, four volleyball courts, or four tennis courts at a time. Nets will be used as dividers.

In addition, Akin stressed the need for a new weight and fitness room. Although plans for this project are still premature at best, “Surveys of students and faculty,” said Akin, “both revealed that the most pressing need is our fitness center. It needs to be vastly expanded. I will be very disappointed if it is not.”

Though there is still a great deal of planning to be done, the fundamental principle upon which the fieldhouse will be built is clear. Explained Akin, “We want to see it emerge as a campus center, a place where people can hang out and study. We want it to be inviting to students and faculty.” He stressed the idea that it is “not intended as a competitive facility.” As a result, Helferrich Hall will remain the primary competitive facility for indoor sports, and Ritter gym will be “converted to something else.”

Although an immense amount of work still remains, there is plenty of time for students to offer input. In fact, RDG will be on campus twice this week in an attempt to gauge the priorities of the student body. Tuesday April 28, from 1 to 5 p.m., the firm conducted 10 separate focus group discussions to talk about the building. Wednesday April 29, RDG will conduct a meeting from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Helferrich lobby. The meeting will be open to the entire campus and students are strongly urged to attend.
Ursinus Students "Escape Velocity"

by Jen Zwillinger

of The Grizzly

For the third year Escape Velocity Dance Theater, Ursinus College's only on campus dance performance group, will be presenting the culmination of their hard work. Friday, May 1 at 7:30 in Ritter Center, the group will perform a showcase of their work. The show is free and open to the public and there will be a reception to follow. Dr. Lynn Edwards has contributed her choreographing expertise to one piece.

1998 Graduation Activities

by Melinda Albert

of The Grizzly

In our efforts to keep you informed of graduation activities, the following is a list of upcoming events. By no means is this list exhaustive. Check with your advisor for special departmental events for graduating seniors.

Sunday, May 3 Academic Awards Ceremony, individual departments will present awards, at 7 p.m., in Bomberger Chapel. Dessert Reception to follow in Olín Plaza.

Monday, May 4 Spring Sports Awards Dinner, at 7:00 p.m., in Wismer Lower Lounge

Thursday, May 14 The Senior Class Dedication. The class will present their gift, a trophy case in honor of former classmate Ryan Auch. The dedication will take place at 5:30 p.m., in Helfrich Hall. Senior Celebration Reception, plans to be announced. See Senior Celebration Table in Wismer Center between May 6-12.

Friday, May 15 Baccalaureate Services, 6:30 p.m., Bomberger Chapel. Guest Speaker: Former Chaplain, Rev. M. Scott Landis, United Church of Christ, Denver, Colorado Post-Baccalaureate Reception. After services, in Olín Plaza. Post-Baccalaureate Party. Senior Party following the reception.

Saturday, May 16 Commencement Continental Breakfast, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., in Olín Plaza. Commencement Convocation, at 10 a.m. on the front lawn Guest Speaker: Dr. Cornel West, Professor of Afro-American Studies and the Philosophy of Religion, Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts. Author of the 1993 bestselling book Race Matters. A Notice to all Seniors: Please check your campus mailbox regularly. Graduation tickets and other important information will be distributed soon.

Spring Fling

by Kelly Knapp

special to The Grizzly

As the semester draws to a close, everyone on campus is getting a bit antsy. The Campus Activities Board and the Ursinus Student Government Association hope to shake things up a bit this weekend, when they kick off Ursinus’ Annual Spring Fling Weekend. On Friday, May 1, C.A.B. intends to get the campus rockin’ with a outdoor concert. The night will open with a performance by The Loft Project at 6:15 near the rockpile by Helfricher. They will be followed by two other student bands, Wineskin and The Upstanders. The final featured band of the evening will be Down Low Connection.

Then on Saturday, May 2, join U.S.G.A. and C.A.B. as they host Fair at the Farm from 1 to 6. The festivities, which will be held at the farm on Ninth Avenue, will feature a Psychic Fair, Petting Zoo, Sumo Wrestling, Human Football, Illusion & Fusion (a roller coaster virtual reality ride) and much, much more. Throughout the day, you can also visit the booths of various campus organizations to participate in activities, including sand art and a car smash. Also featured on the main stage at the fair will be a Step Show by Upsilon Phi Delta and Ursinus’ version of the popular game show, Single Out.

Between 8 and 12, U.S.G.A. will sponsor another outdoor concert at the rockpile by Helfricher. In addition to listening to the sounds of Lima Bean Riot and Lunchbox Heroes, the audience can also witness a light show and bonfire.

Students and campus organizations are urged to get involved in the action. If you are interested in helping with Saturday’s activities or your group wishes to have a booth at Fair at the Farm, please contact Brian Ebersole (x3086), Malikah Jenkins (x3557), or Kelly Knapp (x3079).

Be sure not to miss this exciting weekend of fun, sponsored by U.S.G.A. and C.A.B. Transportation will be provided up to the farm on Saturday. Students and faculty are asked to please take advantage of this, as parking at the farm is extremely limited.
Ursinus Lacrosse Defeats Haverford College

by Jacqueline Colvin

The Bear's lacrosse team seems to be on a roll. After two straight losses, the Bears defeated Haverford in their conference opener.

Senior co-captain, Kristine Algeo, had a spectacular performance for the Bears. She scored seven goals and one assist, while freshman Jen Knebels added seven goals and two assists.

Both teams played a strong defensive game, and throughout the season, the Bears have been known for their defense. Knebels had a great show against Haverford, shutting down their high scorers and breaking them down to a 7-2 victory.

In the Centennial Conference, the Bears are looking to make a strong push for the first place. Their defense has been a mainstay, helping them achieve a 4-0 record. With two come-from-behind victories this week, the Bears have proven their mettle.

Baseball Closes Out Centennial Conference Play

by Enny Hoke

The Ursinus College Baseball Team ends Centennial Conference play in second place with an impressive 13-5 record. With two come-from-behind victories over Swarthmore, they secured their second straight conference title.

Senior Dave Pierce added multiple RBIs throughout the conference season. He is ranked fourth in the conference with 10 RBIs. Sophomore pitcher Matt Wiatrak also added to the team's success with a .192 ERA and 74 strikeouts.

On April 28, at Muhlenberg College, the Bears defeated Haverford with a combined effort from the entire team. Mike Ottery led the offense with two hits, while Nate Smiley added two RBIs. The Bears hope to continue their success into the next season.
Ursinus' Tribute to Our Senior Spring Athletes:
Thanks for all your hard work and dedication over the years.

Women's Lacrosse
"Even when our team's down, Missy comes through for us. The team seems to have confidence in her and her ability. In the face of trouble, she knows what she has to do, and she always gets it done!"  
--Junior Jo Anne Kenney on senior co-captain Missy Myers

"Knebels is very supportive and confident in herself and the team. She always seems to pick up everyone's slack on the defense. She is always there to help out, and her play has been very effective this season. We'll miss her next year."
--Sophomore Taryn Brackin on senior Jen Knebels

"Algeo's enthusiasm and love of the sport spreads to everyone else on the team. Because of her enthusiasm, she has helped make this season fun. She is also very supportive to the freshman and sophomores, acting like we are all equal. Even though she is a senior, she treats everyone the same, she treats us like a team."
--Sophomore Cara Riley on senior Kristine Algeo

"Our captains (Algeo and Myers) have kept our team going at all times. Even when we were down, they always seemed to bring us back up."
--Sophomore Laura Feldman

"The lacrosse team has played a big part of my four years here at Ursinus. I love everyone on the team and I'll miss them very much because I've gotten to know people and I've seen everyone grow tremendously. Thanks to my teammates for making my lacrosse seasons so much more enjoyable and memorable. A special thanks to the other seniors for being such good friends and teammates. Good luck with everything!"
--Senior Le Su

Women's Tennis
"Although we may not have achieved much according to the record books, the women's tennis team has indeed come a long way. After four years and three coaches, I think we finally have the right combination of both talent and ambition for a winning season in '99. Good luck next season girls and thanks for the great time."
--Senior Kate Weinrich

Softball—Stephanie Restine
Senior Captain Kimberly Reese has been a strong leadership figure on the Ursinus Softball team throughout her four years of play. Despite injuries and other setbacks, Reese has maintained a positive attitude and inspires other players to do their best. She is a role model to all for her determination and perseverance.

"There is no question that I am going to miss playing baseball—especially here at Ursinus. I have spent the playing every sport of my life since I was six years old. Playing baseball in college, has always been a dream and I could not have picked a better place than Ursinus to fulfill that dream. I was lucky that I was a four year starter here and during those four years we had three great seasons and one that was a learning experience. I will never forget the great times that I had on the baseball field. I know that they will be my favorite memories of my college experience. Most importantly, I will always have the camaraderie of my teammates, Coach Mike, and Coach T in my heart as I move on in life."
--Mike Romello, senior 2B

"The leadership these seniors have shown is unparalleled. They will be missed so dearly. They are a tremendous asset to the team. Their experience is priceless, and has created a unique team chemistry. Next year's team will greatly miss these seniors."
--Brian Carney, freshman

"I will definitely miss playing here at Ursinus. I think that baseball at this level requires "a love" for the game due to all the time which each player must devote in order to be successful as an individual and a team. I know that for myself and the other seniors this commitment is not seen as a huge boundary though. We all enjoy playing together and winning together. We have all been doing just that for four years and to have to walk away from the game and more importantly the friends and teammates after such a long time it is certainly going to be a tough adjustment, one that I know will not come easily. As a team, we have spent so many countless hours together that we have grown very close as a group and I am sorry to see it all come to an end."
--Dirk Cleveland, senior 3B

"I'm sad to see this happen, but I would love to have a team full of Megan Browns. But, of course, the fact that there is only one of her is what makes her so special--A leader in every sense of the word."
--Angie Caine -- "The hardest working, most serious person I know when it comes to her sport. All her enormous gains in her athletic development have come from nothing but hard work."

Andrea Gaitan -- "A 3-season athlete, her contributions not only to the track and field, but to the cross country team have been the building blocks for the successful futures of those teams."

"There was part of the team. Her positive attitude is almost contagious. Kim has made great contributions to the team freshman year, Kim was always there to help out, and her ability. In the face of any challenge, Kim was never forget the great times that I had on the baseball field. I know that they will be my favorite memories of my college experience. Most importantly, I will always have the camaraderie of my teammates, Coach Mike, and Coach T in my heart as I move on in life."
--Junior Joe Ruggiero on Josh Hartle

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Men's Tennis
"We'll miss all of the seniors, especially Josh Hartle. Since I've been here, he was our captain and our number one player. I'm glad I had the chance to play with him."

"I love seeing Brett compete. When he throws the shot put, there is more force in his effort than that generated by the space shuttle at lift-off. His mental aspect to competition is also the best I've ever seen."

Dan Nibouar -- "After joining during his sophomore year, Dan has worked up to be a tremendous captain for both the cross country and track and field teams. He'll be remembered not only for the athlete he was, but for the person he is."

Tony Palladino "Work, work, and more work. Tony is all about intense focus and extra work to get the job done. Great example."

All these seniors have made great contributions and have been integral in leading us to victories. It was perhaps Brett Nath who put it best though when he said "you can find competition anywhere, but being a part of this team has been the best thing of my life."

Golf
"It was a great four years. I got to see and play some great golf courses that I never would have gotten the chance to play if I wasn't a member of the golf team. The other great thing that happened was that I was part of the first ever championship golf team here at Ursinus. I had never been a part of a championship team before that."
--Senior Brian Kattis

UC Has Field Day at Millersville
Cory Braiterman
of the Grizzly
Anthony O'Hara was four inches away from Nationals. With a huge throw in the javelin of 187'8", he missed the required amount by only that slimmest of amounts. He did blow the rest of the competition away, winning by almost four feet over second place finisher Carlos Noya from F&M.

The field events were the strongest part of the day for the UC track team. Andrea Lister had another strong finish in the high jump at 5'11" for third place behind Karen Middleton of Bucknell and Jen Hamilton of Shippensburg. Lister also came in 6th in the 100 M hurdles at 16.45.

Yori Adegunwa came in 6th in the 110 M hurdles at 15.75 and 7th in the 400 M hurdles with a time of 57.7. John NIchter tied for 9th in the 200 M dash at 23.1 with... (cont'd on p. 11)

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