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Trick-or-treating in UC dorms, Residence Life staff members got into the Halloween spirit.

Staff Photo by Erny Hoke

Payne Stewart, Golfer, Dies in Plane Crash

Francois Shaughnessy — News Editor

The Learjet carrying legendary PGA golfer Payne Stewart and five other passengers crashed after running out of fuel. The plane was going 600 mph when it struck the ground.

On Monday, October 25th, the Learjet flew 1,400 miles across the country until it ran out of the fuel. During the 1,400 mile, the plane is suspected to have been on autopilot. Government officials and pilots stated that one possible explanation for the crash is that a loss of cabin pressure occurred soon after take off from Florida. This loss of cabin pressure would then cause everyone on board to die or lose consciousness.

Military planes shadowed the jet as it made its journey nine miles above land. When the plane ran out of fuel, it spiraled and plummeted two miles until it crashed. The plane then carved a 10-foot-deep crater in the ground.

The wreckage was taken to a hanger in Aberdeen, and parts that may produce clues will be shipped to different places for analysis.

However, it could be several months before the wreckage is fully analyzed. Many students on campus felt the impact of Stewart’s death. Jason Wetherington, freshman Exercise and Sport Science major, stated that there are a few students on campus who are “making it bad for others” but she still does feel safe while on campus.

Katie Breidenbach, senior Sociology major, recalls an incident that her house, Schreiner, had with a local townsman who kept on entering the house and harassing the residents. “We’ve had problems with an off campus guy but I still feel safe because we’re all aware of it and we don’t let anyone in we don’t know.” Also the house has bars on the first floor windows and the door is locked.

This high level of safety felt by some of the student body could be the result of the job continued on page 3
News Summaries

Democratic politicians including Mayor Rendell joined Clinton at the rally. In a city with a 4-1 Democratic ratio in voter registration and whose last Republican mayor left office at the end of 1951, Street is locked in a tight race with Republican mayoral candidate Sam Katz.

National News:
WASHINGTON-Major phone companies are urging their customers to NOT pick up their phone after midnight on New Year’s Eve. They fear that millions of people will pick up their phones to check for a dial tone, which will increase the chance of a telecommunication traffic jam. The big phone companies say that they’ve already solved their Year 2000 computer problems.

World News:
VIENNA, Austria-Austrian police uncovered a neo-Nazi group, in the province where Adolf Hitler was born, who were planning a “political coup.” According to the Austrian Press Agency, a total of 69 people have been questioned and most of the eight unidentified organizers have been arrested. In searches of about 40 houses, police discovered Nazi propaganda material, as well as, weapons and ammunition.

College News:
SYRACUSE, New York (Syracuse University)-The Daily Orange reported on Wednesday, October 27th, that Syracuse University Rape: Advocacy, Prevention and Education Center announced “an increase in reported cases of violence against SU women.” Since September 1st, Director Dolores Card noted, the center received 21 reported rape cases of SU students. This all comes shortly after New York State Gov. George E. Pataki introduced a new initiative to reduce sex crimes.

A First for National French Week:
Ursinus College Participates in the First Year for National French Week

French speaking nations has its own culture. This week will emphasize the importance of French and its relevance to the many world cultures that share this language.

Professor Trout stated that, “The week will benefit the whole student body since as a College we are committed to diversity and internationalization of our campus.”

The activities on the campus, as Professor Trout explained, will be highlighted by the fact that all of the money raised from the activities will be donated to a group of women in French speaking Burkina Faso, which is a sub-Saharan African country, on the West Coast. The money will help the Burkina Faso women to buy school supplies for a literary campaign.

Some of the activities that will help in raising money for the Burkina Faso women include a “crepe party” that will take place along with a speaker from Bryn Mawr College on November 11th in Olin 104. Also a table will be located outside of Wismer dining room on November 10th during common hour with posters and other information concerning the week. The student body will be able to participate in a variety of activities. As explained by the president of the French Club, Caitlin continued on page 3
A First for National French Week

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Sigler, senior French/International Business major, "[The French Club] tried to think of activities that would interest just about anyone on campus or in the community, not just those of us that have knowledge of the French language."

The Ursinus College community can also experience the French language and culture off campus when Mayor Rendell proclaims November 4-11 as National French Week. Many activities will be conducted in the Philadelphia region, including some at the Museum of Fine Arts.

Is Safety an Issue on Campus

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that Campus Safety/Security has been doing. As noted by senior Biology major Nilande Coblentz, Campus Safety/Security does seem to be doing its job. "If you have enough courage to report it then security will take the right measures. The key is to report it."

Students who do not report the incident are allowing for it to occur again. Once reported, then the safety of the student body is being secured.

When the incident is reported security will take the necessary steps in order to reinforce the safety among the student body.

Summer Business Internship Opportunities

We are excited to announce that Diane Fabii, the Regional Director for the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans (I.F.) has accepted an invitation to come talk to Ursinus students about the exploding field of employee benefits. She normally recruits at larger universities such as Penn, Villanova, Temple and Drexel. Diane will visit our campus on November 17th at 12:00 pm in Olin 103. Students who are interested in Human Resources/Employee Benefits are encouraged to participate.

The I.F. program is a unique PAID, TWO SUMMER internship in the field of employee benefits. Student interns are provided with valuable information and education appropriate to their work experience through participation in the Certified Employee Benefit Specialist (CEBS) program. While all interns work within the field of employee benefits, positions are available in corporate, law consulting, investments, insurance, human resources, actuarial and unions.

Positions are available throughout the country with great companies such as CBS, CIGNA, Ernst & Young LLP, Lever Brothers, Merck, New York Times, TIAA-CREF, Towers Perrin and Vanguard. Students who worked in the New Jersey/New York/Philadelphia Region last year were paid $10-$12/hour.

Students must hold a minimum 3.0 GPA and have an interest in using their academic major within a business environment.

Please see the website for additional information at www.ifebp.org. Click on "I.F. Interns Program."

This is an excellent opportunity for our students, and we hope that you will participate in the event that will take place at noon, November 17th in Olin 103.

Comments Sought For Tenure Review

In accordance with the Ursinus College Faculty Handbook, student comments on teaching effectiveness are invited at the time of a faculty member's review for tenure. Although student letters must be signed to be considered, student names will be withheld, upon request, when their comments are shared with the Promotion and Tenure Committee, and the faculty member.

Come on Out and Write for The Grizzly: Meetings are 7:00 p.m. every Monday, 3rd Floor in Bomberger

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Remember: Alcohol Awareness Week is November 8-12
Is Sex Next Step in Committed Relationship?

Dear Ann,

My boyfriend and I have been together now for quite sometime and lately the question of whether we're ready or not to have sex has come up. I'm a virgin and he isn't. Of course the physical attraction is there, but emotionally I don't know if I can handle moving our relationship to the next level.

---Scared to move on

Dear Scared,

Taking the next step toward a sexual relationship is a big decision on both your parts. For you, as a virgin, it's an even bigger stress. You have to decide how you'll feel afterwards. Are you going to regret it? Are your feelings for him genuine? Are you being overrun by nervousness in respect to the physical aspect of it?

You may be dealing with many of these questions and, most likely, the same is true for your boyfriend as well. Deciding to have sex is a touchy situation. Many girls fear that if they don't, their boyfriends will leave them. And even more, if they do decide to have sex, many young women fear their boyfriends will leave because they aren't 'good in bed.'

In this day and age, sex has lost its true meaning among teenagers, many of whom have sex for the wrong reasons. These include pressure from friends, pressure from their boyfriend/girlfriend and modern-day peer pressure stemming from the desire to fit into certain social groups and be accepted.

To all my readers: if and when you finally decide to have sex, make sure it is because you truly love and care for the person you are with. Also, be absolutely certain that both of you are ready to handle the responsibilities and commitment that come with being sexually active.

And to Scared, if you do decide you are ready, make sure both of you are protected.

---Ann

Dear Ann,

My best friend of many years is the girl who always lived just around the corner from me. Months before, as chance would have it, we both chose Ursinus and we are continuing our best buddy relationship here at UC. The problem is that over the past few weeks I have begun to develop strong feelings for her and find myself attracted to her as much more than a friend. I want to make a move and say something, but I'm terrified that if she doesn't feel the same way our ten-year friendship would be ruined.

---Wanting to be more

Dear Wanting,

It's always hard when friendship begins to transform into something else. A relationship with anyone is a big risk but the possible implications of starting a relationship with your best friend could be far reaching and disastrous or unbelievably amazing and rewarding. The most important thing to remember though is that, like all things in life, you will never know unless you try. If your feelings for her are truly pure and definitely legitimate, make time for the just the two of you and bring it up nonchalantly to gauge her reaction. For all you know, she could feel exactly the same way about you. But at the same time, she might not. Either way, if she truly values your friendship, she won't simply cut off all communication with you if her feelings don't measure up to yours. Hopefully everything will work out. One last thing that should provide some amount of inspiration: some of the best relationships start out as friendships first. Good luck and let me know what happens.
Life in Collegeville

Starting From Scratch

Dan Reimold
Features Editor

Homecoming is a unique and much-beloved tradition at Bensalem High School in Bensalem, Pennsylvania. Each year, on a blustery autumn weekend in mid-October, members of the graduating class of the preceding term gather together from colleges and universities across the country for a long-awaited reunion.

As an inconsequential battle rages on the gridiron, newly graduated Bensalem alumnus gladly return to their home turf to receive their much-anticipated, award-winning, all-color yearbook; to revel in the company of once-familiar teachers, students and friends; and to enjoy a brief respite from the continuing stresses of the collegiate level.

As a BHS Fighitin' Owl four months removed, I just recently packed my bags and left my life in Collegeville for a weekend retreat at times past, in order to participate in this year's version of Bensalem's popular tradition.

The weather for Homecoming 1999 was cool, calm and crystal clear. Stars twinkled in a cloudless sky and the night air was purely electric. Shouts, whistles and screams of laughter echoed throughout jam-packed Memorial Stadium.

Ascending the hill to the stadium gate, I immediately fell into step with a lively banter with an old friend and classmate. We shared recollections of favorite classes, funny teachers, memorable activities and unforgettable athletic events.

Minutes later, I sat to watch the game with my old "gang", the gaggle of kids each one of us has, who through mutual interests and shared passions, have formed a permanent bond of friendship.

We happily recalled old hangouts, past proms, class trips and weekend parties in between frenzied fits of unbridled laughter.

We also gazed admiringly at The Owl, Bensalem's comprehensive class yearbook, and I was elated to see several pictures of myself included within the pages.

Throughout the course of the football contest, I couldn't help but feel overjoyed to be back amongst people that recognized me for who I was and what I had done. This feeling was far different from the loneliness I had sometimes encountered over the past two months at college, where I had yet to find my niche or stake a true claim on my identity.

Securing my identity had been so easy as a Fighitin' Owl. In high school, I had been somebody, an individual whose thoughts, opinions and actions actually seemed to matter.

In college so far, I was just another face, overwhelmed and silently subordinated to eat-sleep-study-class-sleep anonymity.

In high school, I had built on the rough mix of ingredients stirred in middle school to set my identity in place.

In college, to put it simply, I was starting from scratch.

Back at homecoming, our football squad had slipped, slid and stumbled against the opposition, trailing by two touchdowns as the first half wound down. Then, in an instant, the electric air shorted out and the rains fell fast and furious.

And my short-lived, euphoric homecoming parade had been rain-soaked into memory and, soon enough, I was back living my new life in Collegeville without an individual identity of any kind.

Yet, some amount of solace can be found in one simple thought: lack of identity affords opportunity.

College is the first time we can truly recreate ourselves without the usual outside influence, such as peer pressure, parental pressure, previous interests or prior inclinations.

College allows for new beginnings, new passions, new people, new opportunities and the ability to be curious about our own identity and develop a new role as we start over.

Life in Collegeville is a weekly look at the Ursinus College experience from a fresh perspective. Dan Reimold is an Ursinus freshman and Grizzly Features Editor.

Hobson Hall: Home Sweet Home

Jennifer Heil
Special to The Grizzly

Hobson Hall embodies the spirit of an ideal college house. The residents of this centennial complex truly respect and admire the physical beauty of this Victorian-era home.

Externally, Hobson maintains a very artistic, calming charm. The three-story tower meanders past one double and one single bedroom and into the kitchen-laudry-bathroom areas. To the left, a staircase winds up two floors, passing an original stained glass window, one of the many unique touches found throughout the house.

Since Hobson Hall was never intended to be a standard dormitory, no two rooms are exactly alike. Though they all share the qualities of high ceilings and many windows, each room has its own unique traits. Yet, natural light is very much a part of every room of this house.

The walls are painted standard white, not unlike many other dormitories across campus. But, unlike most dorm rooms, the original carved Victorian mahogany moldings have been preserved around the windows and doors of the rooms. Some rooms still have wooden doorknobs.

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This year the Ursinus College Alcohol Awareness Committee has several things planned for the Ursinus Community. Come and check out the Alcohol Awareness Table in the Wismer Lobby everyday next week. Each day there will be a different emphasis on something alcohol related, such as drunk driving, binge drinking, alcohol poisoning, etc.

A banner contest is also being held to promote alcohol education and responsible drinking. Any organization can enter this event. Banners can be dropped off in the Residence Life Department by 4:30 PM on Friday, November 5th. Cash prizes of $75, $50, and $25 will be awarded to the winners.

**Brad's Story**

*Taken from http://www.brad21.org*

Brad was a Michigan State University junior and majored in parks and recreation management. He worked with young children as a counselor and coach.

At midnight on November 4th, 1998, the eve of Brad’s 21st birthday, he went with a group of friends to Rick’s American Cafe in East Lansing to celebrate his birthday in a way that is customary on the MSU campus and many other campuses... “drink your age”.

When he had finished 21 shots and knowing that the record amongst his friends was 23, he drank three more for a total of 24 shots of liquor. He drank them in about an hour and a half. Because he drank the liquor so fast his body was still catching up and his blood alcohol count was still rising when he left the bar.

His friends took him home and put him to bed as he passed out. His BAC continued to climb to a lethal level of 0.44, as the depressant did its work. His breathing stopped and the coroner estimates that he died at approximately 4:30 AM. He died on his 21st birthday, November 5th, 1998.

The autopsy conclusion... “This 21 year old man died of ethanol poisoning, as a consequence of consuming a large amount of alcoholic beverage within a short period of time”.

**What Did YOU Do On Your 21st Birthday?**

This week, we decided to ask some random Ursinus students, what they did on their 21st birthday. As you can see, most people had a good time, some may however have gone too far.

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- Good question, but I don’t remember.

- My friend and I each did 21 1/2 shots at The Perk. I thanked everyone at the bar for comming to our party, and then we both passed out.

- I decided to go home to bed with my friends on my birthday. We hopped from bar to bar for a few hours, drinking some brews at each place. I was feeling buzzed, but not really drunk.

- My friend and I got totally wasted, since there was three of us turning 21 in the same week. We each tried to out drink the other, which led to alot of alcohol being consumed.

- I got wasted on my 21st, and don’t really remember it.
Alcohol poisoning: Drinking too much too fast can kill you

When police found Bradley McCue, a student at the University of Michigan, they saw that he was unconscious, his nose was painted red, and the words “24 shots” were scrawled across his forehead.

An autopsy revealed that McCue had a blood alcohol level of .44 percent. Witnesses said that he drank 24 shots of liquor in less than two hours. He died of acute alcohol intoxication—also known as alcohol poisoning.

Friends had taken McCue out drinking to celebrate his 21st birthday.

Cases such as McCue’s are rare. However, each year several alcohol poisoning deaths on college campuses gain national attention. And the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (NCADD), Inc., reports that hundreds die each year from acute alcohol intoxication.

Research reveals that binge drinking—consuming five or more drinks in a row on a single occasion—is common among college students. In 1997, the Harvard School of Public Health published the results of its College Alcohol Study. The bottom line: one in five college students binge drinks frequently (at least three times every two weeks).

According to the NCADD, many students are surprised to learn that they can die from an overdose of alcohol. Often, the worst they expect from a night of binge drinking is a blackout and bad hangover.

Common attitudes toward binge drinking don’t help: “It’s a rite of passage.” “If you pass out from drinking, you just sleep it off.”

Changing these attitudes starts with knowing some facts. Blood alcohol levels skyrocket during binge drinking. When people who weigh 160 pounds take a single drink, their blood alcohol level rises .025 percent, on average. But for inexperienced drinkers, or those sensitive to alcohol, blood alcohol levels elevate faster and acute intoxication can result more quickly. Because of differences in body chemistry, women can overdose after drinking lesser amounts than men.

We can respond to this problem on two levels. One is knowing appropriate emergency procedures. According to the NCADD, signs and symptoms of alcohol poisoning include:

- Unconsciousness or semi-consciousness.
- Slow breathing—eight breaths or less per minute, or lapses of more than eight seconds between breaths.
- Cold, clammy, pale or bluish skin.
- A strong odor of alcohol.

If you encounter someone with these signs or symptoms, call 911. Then gently turn this person on his or her side. This helps to prevent choking after vomiting.

A second response is to prevent binge drinking. We can support campus policies that discourage drinking, such as providing alcohol-free residence halls and restricting pledging activities by fraternities and sororities. We can also reinforce abstinence from alcohol as the norm. The fact is that most college students drink moderately or not at all.

NCADD notes that the federal government is currently spending $195 million on antidrug ads aimed at young people. None of them mention alcohol. In response, NCADD adopted a slogan for Alcohol Awareness Month, April 1999: “Drinking Too Much Too Fast Can Kill You.”

The slogan also serves as the name of an NCADD pamphlet dedicated to preventing alcohol poisoning. To receive a free copy, contact NCADD at (212) 206-6770 or visit its web site at www.ncadd.org.

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The effectiveness of college in the preparation of students for the world

Bradyn B. Brooks
Special to the Grizzly

Admittedly, I will be the first to declare that Ursinus College gives off the impression of a Utopian society. The college heavily promotes the idea of a perfect community where opportunities await everyone regardless of the color of one’s skin. I for one can testify as a witness to the opportunities that Ursinus embodies. However, when one sets a foot off Ursinus’ campus (not just after graduation, but around the Collegeville community) we see that the colors of our skins indeed really do matter. I can easily recall numerous incidents, just on Main Street alone, where anything from objects to racial slurs were steadily projected at the population of African American students at Ursinus.

If the purpose of college is to prepare us for the real world, I feel that Ursinus is rapidly succeeding in one aspect but tremendously failing at the other. Ursinus College has given me many opportunities despite the color of my skin, but tragically I (just as the other Black students on this campus) represent exceptions to the rule. Many other Black students don’t have the opportunities that I was blessed with. This is intrinsically related to the communities that we come from, but more importantly, it is related to the families that we are raised in. Unfortunately, many other Blacks in America don’t receive the same type of training that the African American community of Ursinus College received because there are many conscious and subconscious, visible and invisible, hurdles that are placed in front of them. That is the exact reason why you do not see many African-American students at Ursinus, or better yet, at any other colleges across America. This country has prided itself in being “the land of the free and the home of the brave” but what “land of the free” do I see when I look out the window and see people who look like me in a prison of their own state of minds, not trying to strive for anything higher because they see the hopelessness of reaching for higher status? What “home of the brave” do I witness when I hear numerous accounts of police brutality towards Black people? I for one am fed up with the American lie that race doesn’t matter in this country and I’m pretty sure that many students of all races can back me up on that statement.

Racism’s biggest supporters are not the KKK or other racist groups that exist in the world. On the contrary, racism gets its greatest strength in the very subtlest form. Racism isn’t something that we are born with but something that we adopt. Either from friends, our community, or even our parents, racism can easily be handed down from one person to another. Common language such as “Blacks are just as good as Whites” is supposed to promote a sense of equality, but it really does the opposite. By stating that “Blacks are just as good as Whites” we are suggesting that Whites initially were better then Blacks and of just now, are becoming equals. When people finally start using statement such as “Whites are as good as Blacks,” then and only then, can we start making progress. That’s the kind of language that frightens people and makes me cringe because it is accepted in every elementary classroom in America (and that is where the dehumanization process starts). We should teach kids early about racial issues, however I do see the importance of addressing racial issues within ourselves first. Other statements that advocate racism are “Why are all the Black Students sitting together in the lunchroom”? The general origin of this question stems from is that “Why are Blacks separating themselves from Whites in the lunchroom?” White students see this as abnormal behavior amongst the Black student population because they are taught at a young age that their culture is considered normal. Have you ever asked yourself why Whites are sitting together in the lunchroom? There is no reason to ask this question because Whites consider their behavior as natural. Since Whites have always considered themselves the superior race, they indefinitely considered themselves as the normal race. Therefore everything else that wasn’t White was considered inferior or abnormal. That’s why I urge every student to attend the diversity meeting on campus and the upcoming racial forum. The people who feel that the campus is free of racial issues are the ones who need to be there the most. I understand that many people might feel that it isn’t the duty of the college to help fight racism and bigotry in the world, but if college is supposed to train us for the world, then I’ll quickly raise the question, “What world is college training us for?” It definitely is not preparing me for the real world.

Tension is an important ingredient towards the process of making progress. The right answers are not being presented because the right questions are not being asked. I simply want to help wake up the students on this campus to the outside world. The first step towards erasing racism completely is to look within. By looking within and examining one’s life and one’s history, we can begin to see the strength to help others. Just remember that one’s history shapes one’s being. The benefits that you have or don’t have are all intertwined with your history. Therefore, we all bear a responsibility to our history. So I ask you to help me through the fog of racism by getting involved in the racial forums, in order to distinguish every form of the ugly cloud that looms high above the greatest country in the world. Help me fight against racism; become active!

Gun Control Has to be Enacted for Everyone’s Safety: A Response

Cory Braiterman
Sports Editor

In the previous edition of the Grizzly, the Op-Ed section ran what I feel to be an irresponsible viewpoint. Gun control, crime control, the cessation of needless deaths in this, and all countries. Instead of picking apart Mr. Cooke’s article and making this appear as if it is a personal attack or debate, all I think I need to do is explain, without a shadow of a doubt why guns need to disappear from the streets and homes of America.

The sole purpose behind a gun is to inflict serious injury upon another being. That is the difference between the gun and the spoon: while the spoon may be used to beat someone over the head, it cannot injure you from a distance, and indeed, it has a very useful existence 99% of the time as an eating utensil. One cannot eat with a gun. You can’t use it to build a shelter to sleep in, to grow corn, or to write a novel.

Now that we have established that a gun’s sole intent is to bring about harm to a being, one must now ask the question, why is it your right, ANYONE’s right, to own such a device? Law enforcement and military uses aside (that’s another topic), guns have no business being constructed. Those who seek to keep guns legal for anyone to buy try to tell you “it’s because the criminals have them.” If guns were to stop being made, pretty soon NO one would. If, after every gun had been confiscated after each crime, and the police would destroy them all after necessary ballistic tests had been done, sooner or later, it would be next to impossible to get a gun.

These same people try and use the excuse that because we can keep drugs out of our country from foreign criminals, how would we keep guns out? They also use domestic drug production to support this claim. The answer to that is absurdly simple: it’s a lot harder to make a gun than it is to grow a plant or synthesize cocaine. Anyone can grow a plant using a patch of dirt, a seed, sunlight and water. Not everyone can melt the metal, shape it to precise standards (so that the gun actually works), build a bullet, prepare the gunpowder and make it all work properly.

In short, alcohol and drug prohibitions have no bearing upon illegalizing guns; one cannot make a gun in their backyard, not unless they have a very obvious factory. One then sees why guns can and should be banned. But what about the phrase, "People kill people". Very apt statement, but how does a government legislate being nice? How does one legislate common courtesy? There are laws that keep people from littering, jaywalking and shoplifting, but guess what— it does not stop them from doing bad things.

The idea behind gun control is to limit what bad things they are doing. A knife or bat cannot kill or injure from a distance any longer than the reach of the weapon, and it can only affect one person at a time. If a bat is thrown at your head from 20 yards away, you can move out of the way. If a bullet is fired at your head from 20 yards, you’re dead. That’s the difference. If people resort to robbing a bank with a knife, it becomes a lot harder to succeed, as they can only stab one person at a time. It is simple common sense to outlaw guns from every private citizen in this land. Let them attack you with bat, knife and spoon; a lot less people will die because of that. Let’s stop all the deaths we can by eliminating the weapons that make the deaths possible.
Paying Back the US Dues to the UN:
Not Just a Good Idea, Its Also an International Obligation!

Joe Pope  
A&E Editor

The United States and her people need to support the vital work of the United Nations and pay the over one billion dollars that the United States owes the UN in past dues. This is because in approximately two months, the United States will lose its vote in the UN General Assembly if it does not pay its debt to the UN. Under Article 19 of the UN Charter, if a member state falls behind in their dues for more than two years worth, it shall be penalized by losing its seat. Ironically, the US was a strong advocate of this clause more than 50 years ago during the Charter’s creation.

It has been argued that there is no reason for one state to pay for 25% of the UN’s operating budget when it serves 188 members. However, the US payments to the UN are a treaty obligation, which means that we cannot legally make unilateral changes. The other UN members would have to agree to any change in our percentage. While the US likes other states to obey international laws and treaties, this argument suggests that we can simply ignore them when they are not in our own interests. The US payment percentage is actually very fair at this point. We are assessed 25% of the regular UN budget and the US currently has slightly over 25% of the world’s Gross Domestic Product. Since the assessment numbers are loosely based on percent of world’s wealth in a state, this is very fair. By comparison, the lowest assessed states pay only 0.01% of the budget, while their shares of world GDP are often much less than this. Also, when broken down by population, the US pays about $1.11 per citizen, while the small state of San Marino pays $4.26 per citizen. In addition, a number of other states have expressed an interest in reducing the US assessment percentage since no one wants to be “held hostage” to US policy. However, discussion on this will only occur after the US has paid our back dues.

Another argument against paying the back dues is that the US already contributes more than its fair share of resources, not only in money, but also in hosting the UNHQ and supplying the majority of peacekeeping troops. First off, hosting the UNHQ does not cost the US any resources, and in fact, it brings significant money into the coffers of both New York City and US companies, who gain the predominant share of UN contracts for goods and services. The UN is on “international” land, donated by Rockefeller family, and this does not cost US taxpayers any money. Secondly, the US actually does not supply anywhere near a majority of peacekeeping troops. We are not even in the top 20 countries in terms of troop contributions. In fact we are not represented at all, or at most, lightly represented in most peacekeeping missions. We do voluntarily supply a large amount of support material (supplies, transportation, etc.) to the UN peace keeping operations. This occurs when a US administration (and both Republicans and Democrats have seen fit to do this) feels that a peacekeeping mission is in the best interests of the US. Also, voluntary contributions are just that - voluntary. They do not need to be made, can be withdrawn at any time, and specifically do not count against budget commitments. In many cases, the US could choose to make these commitments under the advance condition that they are repaid, but we have not done so. It is also wrong in a technical, business sense to come back after the fact and count voluntary commitments as a part of our assessment.

The US owes 2/3rds of all back dues to the UN and has no financial reason not to pay. The US only cites what amount to political reasons. In fact, the amount of money owed to the UN only amounts to a minute sliver of what our military spends in a few weeks. The GA does not have to move for the US to lose its vote. According to Article 19, anyone more than 2 years in arrears on assessed dues automatically loses their vote. With this would come an incredible prestige loss to the US if this were to occur. We strive to present ourselves as the leader of the free world, yet how can this be if we’re such a large deadbeat that we can’t pay our UN debt, which amounts to 0.25% of the US military budget. This debt crisis has put increasing strains on our international relations, and relations with allied nations have arguably suffered the most. This is especially true in that the majority of our debt is for peace keeping dues (about $1.2B) and the US owes the major peace keeping contributors, in particular the United Kingdom and France, over $870M in peace keeping reimbursements. For all intents and purposes, the UK and France have been voluntarily keeping the UN afloat because we refuse to pay our commitments.

The basic fact is that the UN is good for the US. It very often serves as a projection of our foreign policy, especially in peacekeeping where the US has a veto over any new and many existing operations. Not only that, but in many cases the US would choose to undertake these missions regardless (i.e.: Iraq), and here the UN has an incredible “burden-sharing” function. We only pay 30% of the cost, get 100% of the benefit, and in most cases don’t have to put any US troops on the line to see our goals accomplished. The UN was worthwhile for the US during the Cold War, if for no other reason than it gave us a neutral place to talk to opposing countries. We have been slowly vacating the leadership role that the rest of the world hoped we could fill, and following other recent isolationist foreign policy actions. It seems likely that losing our vote in the General Assembly, based on a provision in the Charter which we freely agreed to, would finalize the US loss of face and move us further away from any hope of leadership in the international community.
Here's the problem with wrestling...

Steven Sheaffer
Special to the Grizzly

As one can easily note, wrestling has once again achieved a popularity unseen since the 1980's. Speaking as a wrestling fan, I'm glad to see it. It is now at least less difficult for the random, uninformed media idiot to point and say "look everybody, wrestling is fake, harr harr!" Ironically, these are the same idiots that still think Hulk Hogan is popular, and have greenlighted Hogan to star in six movies (only one of which made any significant money), a made-for-TV movie, and his own television series.

Anyway, the problem I was getting at is people saying that wrestling is fake. Don't worry, I understand that the outcomes of the matches are predetermined and whatnot. What I'm saying is that "fake" is the wrong word to use for so many reasons. Wrestlers are trained athletes (well, most of them). When you see two wrestlers in a ring, performing moves, they are doing so in tandem, cooperating with each other. They are trying to perform good-looking moves while trying not to injure their opponents.

Of course, accidents can and do happen. People are routinely injured in wrestling. Most recently, Darren "Droz" Drozdov had his neck broken when he and D'Lo Brown attempted a "powerbomb" maneuver that went horribly wrong. Drozdov is still hospitalized, with limited feeling beneath his waist. Sadly, instead of using this example in order to show the reality of wrestling, TV shows like to use examples like that to say "wrestling is bad, we must protect the children." What the example with Drozdov should be used to do is to show that wrestling, while scripted, is dangerous, just like any other sport.

The media likes to use examples such as these to say wrestling is evil and should be stopped at all costs. What the media really enjoys is when some kid gets injured or killed because of a wrestling move done at home. Then they can point (while jumping up and down) and say, "wrestling makes people die." Recently, in Dallas, TX, a seven-year-old child killed his four-year-old brother by hitting him with a clothesline-type maneuver. The question is then raised of how something like this could happen. Most people use their seemingly instinctual knee-jerk reaction and say that since the kids saw wrestling on television, they simulated what they saw on TV, and therefore, wrestling is at fault. I disagree.

The way wrestling is portrayed on television, it appears as though the wrestlers are injured with every move that is done to them. You get hit with a chair, you fall down and go "ow." There is no benefit there. Kids watch all sorts of other things on television as well. Since your kid saw the World Series, do you fear that he's gonna run outside and go create a team that monopolizes and takes the fun out of baseball? People are always yelling about how television glorifies and shows too much sex on television. Apparently, they fear that kids will see it on television and then go out and have sex. Well, something isn't right with this equation, because I know lots of girls that have watched television, and not one of them has slept with me yet.

The problem isn't the broadcasting of wrestling; the problem lies with the parents. Not because they allow their kids to watch wrestling (despite the TV-14 rating), but because they tell their children that wrestlers "never get hurt". THAT is the problem. Tell them that wrestling does involve a degree of athleticism and that people do get hurt.

I'm not saying that you have to appreciate wrestling, because I know that not all people do; it's a matter of preference. But, if a child says all of this violence going on, is told that it's all fake and that no one gets hurt, then there is no reason not to imitate that action, because he believes there are no consequences. You have to tell children of the consequences. Show them the history of injuries that wrestlers have had. Show them Darren Drozdov lying in bed, unable to get up. Show them Owen Hart, killed in the prime of his life, leaving behind a distraught and confused family.

If you're afraid to tell your children that, to tell them the truth, then perhaps you shouldn't have kids. Show these examples, but don't use them to say, "this is why wrestling is bad", use them to say "people get hurt wrestling, don't do this."

That is just common sense, and if you don't know that, then you haven't been watching enough television.

Book Review: Star Trek's latest, Vulcan's Forge

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Staff Writer

Vulcan's Forge is a Star Trek novel set after the original six movies. Captain Kirk is dead, and Spock is the captain of the Intrepid II. As the ship planet similar to Vulcan, Captain David Rabin, an old friend of Spock's, contacts him asking for help. Loki, Obsidian's star, is unstable, producing frequent solar flares that cause cancer in the planet's inhabitants. The Federation is trying to help them, but someone is sabotaging their attempts. Since the planet is on the edge of Romulan space, Romulan involvement is suspected. The villagers believe, though, that the "wild nomads" who live in the desert outside the city are responsible.

Woven into the story are flashbacks to Spock's early years on Vulcan. These flashbacks tell the story of how David and Spock first met, and they explain the reasons that Spock chose to join Starfleet against his father's will instead of going to the Vulcan Science Academy.

Star Trek fans will probably like Vulcan's Forge. Along with Spock, Uhura and Dr. McCoy are also in this one. However, being a hardcore trekkie isn't necessary in order to understand or enjoy this book. Although the events of the story are connected to things that occur in the movies and novels, everything the reader needs to know is explained in the book. Vulcan's Forge is an excellent novel. The plot is exciting, and the characters are described very well. A large part of the story focuses on Spock's internal conflicts: his grief at Captain Kirk's death and his questioning whether being the captain of a starship is really the life he wants. The relationships between the characters, including the humorous conversations between Spock and David, also add a lot to the story. Vulcan's Forge is definitely worth reading.
Always unique, Ben Folds Five rocks Philadelphia as part of 1999 tour

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Cavalier piano punk, Ben Folds, graced the Philadelphia area on October 22nd as part of his 1999 tour. Venued at the Electric Factory, the one night show also featured the San Francisco band, Train, and the obscure act of Fleming and John.

(The Electric Factory is not recommended for anyone who prefers sitting to standing or suffers from claustrophobia. Also, eat beforehand, as prices here are steeper than Veterans' Stadium.)

The doors opened around 8pm, and by 8:45pm what looked like sound-tech crew ambled out on stage. Turns out, this was the family team of Fleming and John. Irritating from the start, lead singer, Fleming, had all the grace and sound of a cat being pulled inch by agonizing inch through a steel fan blade. Those who’ve visited the Electric Factory will remember the large screens that hang from the ceiling which play classic cartoons. Normally, once a band is out on stage, these screens switch to the stage. During the Fleming and John portion, this process was late in happening. As the cartoons flipped off, the Flyers game was briefly shown, eliciting a cheer from the crowd. It is important to note that this was one of the few times the crowd applauded during this act, except of course when the set was finally over.

After that energy leech left, Train came out for their set. Train is not a huge band, but it’s not completely unknown, as it enjoys frequent airplay on a few local radio stations. Their act was quite entertaining and had the crowd going a bit. Unfortunately for the Dumped, the audiences’ anticipation of Ben Folds Five, Train lost out, especially since their performance was relatively good.

Finally, almost three hours after our arrival, the main event: Ben Folds Five. Ben Folds Five did not disappoint. The set started immediately with “Don’t Change Your Plans” from the band’s newest CD, The Unauthorized Biography of Reinhold Messner, and ended with a couple of encore songs, including the old favorite, “Song for the Dumped.”

The crowd, which had obviously been getting tired of waiting through the two opening acts, suddenly found the energy to sing and dance along with the band. At times, the dancers in the crowd could get annoying, as we were already packed tightly in the small, uncomfortably hot room. Regardless, the show was excellent. Ben Folds, the band’s pianist and frontman started the show off energetically, and became even more vivid as the crowd increasingly got into the show.

Ben Folds Five’s portion of the show was interspersed with almost every song from their new album, but it was more often than not the older favorites, such as “Philosophy” and “One Angry Dwarf and 200 Solemn Faces,” that got a high response from the crowd. All in all, the set was an enjoyable mix of new and old songs. The only downside to the set was the location and circumstances were poor.

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Vecchio, Duncan Powers Bears Offense as Bears Rout Mules

Andy Maynard  
Staff Writer

Ursinus kept their Centennial Conference both title and playoff hopes alive this weekend with a 35-23 win over the Mules of Muhlenburg. Junior quarterback Frank Vecchio, the Offensive Player of the Week in the Conference, completed 21 of 25 passes for 331 yards and one touchdown, while rushing for another in the winning effort.

Senior Co-captain Kory Stauffer had 5 catches for 84 yards and sophomore Steve Sharkey ended up with 5 catches for 51 yards and the lone TD reception. Junior Rashard Williams contributed 3 catches for 57 yards and sophomore Ryan "Game" Warden caught two more for 39 yards. Overall the Bears offense ripped the Muhlenburg defense for 565 total yards.

Simply put, "The offensive line played great, and the defense really came up big," Freshman quarterback Dominick Cammuso said.

On the defensive side of the ball, Co-captain Andy Ashton, a senior linebacker, was a key component to the win. He had ten total tackles on the day, six of which were solo efforts. Ashton also added a sack and an interception. Sophomore DB's Eric Cowie and Michael Dale each had eight tackles. Dale added a sack and forced a fumble while Cowie broke up two passes. Juniors Kevin Wilson (DT) and Joe Conte (LB) had 6 tackles apiece as did freshman DB Dave Morris.

Ursinus is right in the hunt for the Centennial Conference title, in second place in the Conference, only one game behind Western Maryland University. UC is currently vying for an at large bid to the NCAA Alonzo Stagg Bowl, the top prize in Division Three football. Should the Bears fail to make the NCAA's they are almost a sure lock to receive a spot in the Eastern Conference Athletic Championship tourney. The Bears have now defeated Muhlenberg seven out of the last nine contests, and Muhlenburg was defeated for their second consecutive loss, including last week to Gettysburg and Paul Smith who racked up 527 total yards against the Mules. Currently Ursinus is 7-1 in 1999, with a 5-1 Conference record. Muhlenburg fell to 5-3 overall, 4-3 in the Conference.

Next week the Bears face-off against the Yellow Jackets of Waynesburg for the first time ever, at Patterson Field. Waynesburg is currently 4-3 in 1999 coming off of a bye week after a 56-28 loss to Washington and Jefferson, and is also celebrating it's sixtieth anniversary of being the first ever televised college football game. This will be the second to last game of the 1999 regular season. Come out and support the Bears as they fight for a playoff birth!

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—Freshman quarterback Dominick Cammuso

Soccer Splits Pair with Fords, Green Terror

Tim Noone  
Staff Writer

The Ursinus Soccer Team split their games last week suffering a shutout to the hands of Haverford College and taking an overtime win at home against Western Maryland College.

Ursinus' first game of the week was one dominated by defense as the Bears were defeated in a sluggish, slow moving showdown here at home versus an average Haverford squad. Ursinus junior goal-tender Alan Cohen added, "We are a defensive oriented team playing against another defensive oriented team, causing a stale mate for a game."

The Fords scored on a second half goal to put the Bears under for good, taking a 1-0 win home to Haverford. Saturday's game was a full circle as the Ursinus soccer team put on a scoring debut with three goals against Western Maryland early in the second half, quickly followed by sophomore forward Steve Wilkes picking apart the Green Terror defense and firing a blast by the goalkeeper.

Western Maryland tied it up before the end of regulation and sent the game into overtime. Chris Gott wasted no time as he was accredited with the winning score off of a throw in. "I was just trying to put the ball in scoring position for my teammates and a miscommunication on (WM) defense led to a win," proclaimed Gott.

The Bears look to end their season on a high note, finishing their schedule away versus Muhlenberg College on Saturday, Nov. 6 at 7:00 p.m. Ursinus (3-5 conference, 6-10 overall) will have a tough one ahead against a second place Mules team.

Payne Stewart, 42, Dies in Plane Crash

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Stewart won many awards including the Wanamaker trophy from the PGA win in 1989 and the U.S. Open trophy, which he won in June.

Although, all of the these awards were special for Stewart, his most prized is the Ryder Cup, which was a comeback win by the United States last month. This win for the U.S. team was the first since 1993—the last time Stewart was on the U.S. team.

Funeral services for Stewart were held on Friday, October 29th, in Orlando, Florida. The memorial service, at the First Baptist Church, lasted two hours and was attended by some 3,000 people.

The 42-year old Stewart leaves behind a wife and a son and daughter.
**Back on Track and the Winning Ways Continue. NFL Picks for Week 9**

Cory Braiterman  
Aaron Hampton  
Sports Editor  
Special to the Grizzly

Two weeks ago was our last set of picks and looking back, it was another exciting weekend as we went 11-3. Our psychic friends only lost on Carolina, Washington and Buffalo. Fortunately, there wasn't a paper last week or we would have to try and explain how the Browns, Falcons, Lions, and Chiefs all won last week contrary to our intuitions. This week looks to have a bumper crop of games that should be, if not exciting to watch, at least be against evenly matched teams.

The Ravens play the Browns, we have the Eagles against the Panthers, the Steelers at the 49'ers, the Vikings against the Cowboys and in a battle for the top of the AFC hill, the Titans against the ‘Fins. Without further ado, let's get to throwing darts:

- **Buffalo at Washington**  
  Chicago at **Green Bay**  
  **Jacksonville** at Atlanta  
  Philadelphia at **Carolina**  
  St. Louis at Detroit  
  **Tampa Bay** at New Orleans  
  **Denver** at San Diego  
  Cincinnati at **Seattle**  
  **Pittsburgh** at San Francisco  
  **Tennessse** at Miami  
  **Dallas** at Minnesota

Ravens at **Browns** - Oh, let's be sentimental and root for the plucky Browns. Winning their first game of their new era on a last second Hail Mary has to make them feel a lot better.

- **Chiefs at Colts** - Two of the surprising top teams in the AFC tangle in this matchup. Let's take the Colts because it's in the 'Dome in Indy and the Chiefs don't historically play well indoors.

- **Cardinals at Jets** - At least the Jets didn't lose last week, that opponent named Bye isn’t that good, but they gave them a run for the money.

- **Bills at Redskins** - Let's go with the juggernaut that is the Skins to beat the Bills who just aren't the same without star WR Eric Moulds. If he doesn't get healthy soon, look for the Bills to lose a lot more than they win.

 Bears at **Packers** - This should be an interesting game. As I sit here writing this, the Pack is down a TD to Seattle. Let's see if the Bears get up for Green Bay as they usually do. This might be an upset, but let's go with the odds.

- **Jaguars at Falcons** - Atlanta seems to be pulling it together a bit, but they’re still not at the level of the Jaguars.

 Eagles at **Panthers** - The Eagles are bad. They really stink. No, they’re horrible. Worse than that. Watching them is almost as painful as watching the Giants... almost.

- **Rams at Lions** - This should be an explosive offensive game as the high-powered Rams face a better-than-average offense in the Lions.

- **Steelers at 49'ers** - The Niners have little offense and an aging defense. The Steel defense is its normal ferocious self to counteract the trials and tribulations of Slash Stewart as quarterback.

- **Titans at Dolphins** - Welcome to the Jimmy Johnson 'Fins. It used to be led by Marino, and was made in its mold; now it's a run-oriented team with a stacked defense. As much as I think the Dolphins will win the Superbowl this year (your guess is as good as mine) I think the Titans will win this one in a squeaker.

- **Cowboys at Vikings** - Hmmm... This looks like a great game. I'll go with the Boys in an exciting Monday Night affair.

Cory Braiterman's Two + Two equals a Seahawk's win this Weekend Pick:  
**Seattle 31 - Cincy 10**

Aaron “Vikings are Gonna Win” Hampton's Pick of the Week. Need we say more? The two predictors are at odds in what is shaping up to be an interesting affair.

Our overall record this year is now an impressive 49-37.

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**Flag Football: APO downs 2-Time Champion Delta Pi in Double-OT**

Scott Mc'oy  
Special to the Grizzly

After suffering defeat to Delta Pi the previous two years in the UC Intramural Flag-Football Championship game, APO finally defeated Delta Pi 36-28 to win the 1999 FF season.

In a battle that took place last Thursday night on the practice football field, the two teams went at it neck and neck. J ist minutes into the game, APO struck on their second possession with a touchdown run by senior quarterback Matt Wiatrak. Seconds later, Delta Pi came back with a long touchdown run by the other senior Rob Bishop to make it a 6-6 tie. The game essentially changed at that point as both teams fought their hearts out.

Fisher threw three TD passes to Bishop to upend an exhausted APO secondary.

On the other side of the ball, Wiatrak threw several key touchdown passes to a rather witty Craig Jones (senior). The game was deadlocked at 22 at the end of regulation to send it into the first overtime period. Delta Pi won the coin toss to gain first possession in the OT, promptly taking advantage with a Bishop sweep to score on the first play. APO was able to answer back on three plays to tie the game.

Twenty-eight apiece was how it went going into OT #2 and this time, APO had the ball first. Jones, who already had two TD's, hooked up with Wiatrak for a third. APO was also able to convert the two point play on a Wiatrak toss to a wide-open Joe Sprague.

The game ended on a big defensive stand by APO as senior Jim Wardsacked Fisher to seal victory away. Congratulations to both teams and to all the teams on a terrific season.
Junior Vecchio Awarded CC Offensive Football Player of the Week

Erny Hoke  
Editor-in-Chief

This week, junior quarterback, Frank Vecchio was named Centennial Conference Football Offensive Player of the Week. This week's game was the biggest Conference win in three years for the Bears - a 35-23 victory at Muhlenberg. Vecchio has now led Ursinus to second place of the Centennial Conference at 7-1, keeping NCAA playoff hopes alive.

Vecchio headed the Bears offense, which accumulated 565 yards of total offense against the Mules of Muhlenberg on Saturday. Vecchio completed 21 of 40 passes for 331 yards, 84 of which were to senior wide receiver Kory Stauffer. The junior QB also threw for one touchdown and ran for another.

Vecchio produced the fifth best passing performance of the 1999 CC season, behind only Muhlenberg's McCabe (471,413,346) and Franklin & Marshall's Rowland (353).

Although only a junior, Vecchio is currently within reach of nearly every major passing record in Ursinus history.

Congrats to Vecchio on yet another fine performance and to the rest of the 1999 Ursinus College Football team.

Vecchio steps up to complete a pass against the strong Muhlenberg defense.  
Photo courtesy of Todd McKinney

Rounding up UC sports, women's soccer finished up 3-7 for the 1999 season. Here, senior Carin Restivo looks for an open pass.  
Staff Photo by Erny Hoke

TEAM CAPS

FOR SALE
The UC Baseball Team is selling Team Caps for $15.00
All Caps Have URSINUS and the Team Printed Under the College.

GREAT GIFT IDEAS!!
Tough End to Tough Hockey Season

Sue Patton
Staff Writer

Ursinus field hockey closed out its 80th season last week with three more losses. On Tuesday, October 26th, they traveled to Rutgers University for a game under the lights. The first half proved to be evenly matched as the Bears only allowed one goal. Freshman defender Sandy Fetterman added yet another tough injury to her list during a penalty corner when the ball hit her finger, nearly slicing part of it completely off. Needless to say that she was unable to join the Bears for the second half of the game.

On Thursday, October 28th, the Bears hosted their final home game against Drexel University. Drexel managed to penetrate the UC defense a number of times, but only produced one goal. That goal was quickly answered by senior Stephanie Sundberg who tied the game at the end of the first half. Unfortunately, the Bears level of play remained the same while Drexel picked up their intensity and ended the game scoring four more goals.

Ursinus did exactly that, and kept Colgate out of post season play. That day, revenge for the last game of the season against Muhlenberg. Although UC played well, they lost 3-2 to a very strong Mule team. Sophomore Nicole Debus had a triple double, and both senior Co-captain Rebecca Dickerson and junior Nikki DiMascio recorded double doubles.

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Volleyball Finishes Best Season Ever

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The UC women's volleyball team (16-10) finished off its best season ever with, unfortunately, two losses in their last three contests. In the Western Maryland Tournament last Saturday, the 23rd, they slammed the door closed as they shut Swoothmore out three to nothing but lost to Western Maryland by a score of one game to three.

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For the season, junior Jody Smith and Debus both broke the 400-assist mark on Wednesday night. DiMascio and senior Co-captain Erin Golombiewski finished the season with well over 1,000 digs apiece.

The end of the volleyball season in the Centennial Conference was marked by tri-champions. The Western Maryland Green Terror, the Franklin and Marshall Diplomats, and the Gettysburg Bullets all laid claim to the crown with identical 9-1 conference records.

Gettysburg gets the automatic bid to the NCAA Div III Tournament based upon better individual match records against the other two schools.

Bears Defense Roars to Big Win

Cory Braiterman
Sports Editor

In a showing of defensive prowess, the Ursinus Bears held all time MAC rushing-leader, Michael Hankins and the rest of the Wilkes Colonels to four rushing yards en route to a 16-10 victory at Patterson Field this past Saturday. The Bears D, stung by Paul Smith of Gettysburg for 333 all-purpose yards the week before, also recorded seven sacks on Colonel QB's Jeff Marshman and Josh Bradley and intercepted two passes, one by sophomore DB Michael Dale and the other by junior LB Joe Conte.

On the offensive side of the ball, junior Frank Vecchio went 19-42 for 222 yards and 2 INT's while sophomore Shearrod Duncan and freshman Brian DeGiosio combined for 71 yards. DeGiosio also scored the Bears lone touchdown on a 5-yard sweep midway through the fourth quarter. Vecchio completed the 2-point conversion on a pass to freshman Chris Glowacki.

Wilkes open the scoring with a 46-yard Marshman pass to Ryan James with Will McLaughlin adding the extra point. On the first play of the ensuing possession, Brandon Carlin intercepted a Vecchio pass to lead to a McLaughlin field goal. From there on out, however, it was all Bears.

Junior Tim Noone answered with a field goal of his own, then kicked the ball within the 1-yard line where the Bears got the safety. Noone tacked on another field goal before DeGiosio scored the TD.

The next opponent for the Bears is Muhlenberg (5-2, 4-2), which is coming off of a stunning loss at the hands of the 2-5 Bullets of Gettysburg. With that loss, the Bears are in sole possession of second place in the Centennial Conference at 6-1 with a 4-1 CC record.