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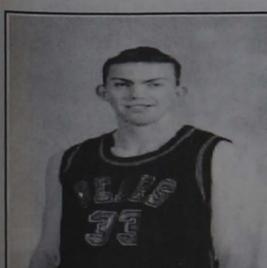
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Student e-mail service altered after spate of abuse

School-wide mailings now off-limits to students; New online Announcement Board touted as alternative

Cara Nageli
Grizzly News Editor

Campus-wide e-mail, which is available to all students, has recently been used for purposes other than those initially intended.

Along with campus-wide news, e-mail accounts became clogged with messages for lost items, searches for rides, and backlash against previous e-mails.

In order to solve the problem of

e-mail abuse, Computing Services has eliminated student access to e-mail distribution lists.

Instead, a new system, the Ursinus Forums Announcement Board, has been implemented and allows students to get their personal messages to the entire campus community.

This new message board is easy and effective to use.

Students, faculty and staff can

access this system from the Community Tab after logging on to UC Online.

The types of messages that will be available through the announcement board will be club and organization announcements, information and announcements about events and activities on campus, lost and found item listings, ride requests, and a sound off! section in which students can say what-

ever they feel.

"The opportunity to engage in dialogue with others and to have a free exchange of ideas is, indeed, important, and we will work to ensure that the use of the electronic message board encourages such discussion," John King, Chief Information Officer, said.

Students have mixed opinions on this new system.

"I think that it is a hassle to use this new system instead of being able to just send out a mass e-mail," Joe Petsko, a sophomore, said.

"There are usually only a few

unnecessary e-mails, and it is not that hard to just delete them."

"I think it is unfair that the whole school has to suffer because of a few people who took advantage of the system," sophomore Kate Gallagher added.

"No one is going to use the blackboard postings as much as they use e-mail, so now if I do lose something important no one is going to know about it."

"I think that the use of personal messages in campus-wide e-mail has gotten out of hand, and the

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National sorority to open UC chapter

Patty Quinn
Grizzly News Staff

Word around campus is that there are a few national sororities and fraternities in the midst of beginning chapters right here at Ursinus College. One such sorority is Sigma Sigma Sigma (otherwise known as Tri Sigma).

Tri Sigma will become just another option for girls on this campus. It, along with the other possible national Greek organizations, will essentially become part of the existing Greek system already implemented.

What are the benefits of a national sorority? It means sisters, across the United States believe in many of the same principles and ideals, while at the same time all being individuals. Even after gradu-

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Vying for love



Nathan Uber (left), Gil Cook (middle), and Brice Shirbach (right) attempt to woo Jen Repetto (far right) during "The Dating Game," held in Wismer Lower Lounge Tues., Feb. 13. The event was sponsored by the Campus Activities Board. Photo by Joe Laskas.

New curriculum to emphasize diversity, fine arts

Tammy Scherer
Grizzly News Editor

Beginning next fall, incoming freshmen will be required to meet a newly designed core curriculum.

The new curriculum consists of three new additions.

Students will be required to take two diversity courses, divided into Global Diversity and United States Diversity, and a second semester of the Common Intellectual Experience. Also included in the new

core is the addition of a fine arts requirement.

According to a document presented to the Academic Council, the criteria for a Global Studies class would be that "the course must deal entirely or in a comparative way with a culture or cultures whose origins and development lie predominantly outside Western European and United States traditions."

Some courses already offered

at Ursinus that would fill the Global Studies requirement are classes such as Peoples of Africa, Topics in East Asian Studies, and the Emerging World.

The United States Diversity course must "focus in a substantial way on issues of race, ethnicity, class, age, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability or other aspects that tend to differentiate groups in American Society."

Courses already offered that

would fill this requirement include Introduction to Sociology, American Literature Survey, and Current Trends in Health.

According to Professor of History Ross Doughty, the new diversity requirements are designed to make "sure students will get at least one course that deals with non-western culture." Doughty stressed that the history department felt it was important to include diversity courses in the

curriculum and that they maintain a level of cultural consciousness.

"Three years in the making, the new core deepens and knits together four years of liberal education at Ursinus," President John Strassburger said in a recent newsletter distributed to the Board of Trustees. "Under the new core, all students will engage the arts, and study English, mathematics, science, humanities and foreign language."

Ursinus students show political spirit in protest

Dan Reimold
Grizzly Co-Editor-in-Chief

Four members of the Ursinus College Democrats joined over 100 students, representatives of local handgun organizations, and "Million Mom March" supporters in a peaceful protest against National Rifle Association president Charlton Heston at Villanova University on Wednesday, Feb. 14.

"We were protesting the head of an organization that has lobbied vigorously against every form of common sense gun control," UC Democrat Treasurer Cory Braiterman said. "Gun violence is the leading cause of death for people our age, and many of us know someone who has been stricken by this problem."

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Students (l to r) Cory Braiterman, Joseph Pope, Sean Conley and Heather Miller took part in a protest Feb. 14 at Villanova University in favor of common-sense gun control. Photo by Dan Reimold.

News in Brief...

College president calls for SAT testing to end

Erin Gallagher
Daily Californian, UC

University of California President Richard Atkinson sent shockwaves through the academic world Sunday, calling for the elimination of SATs in UC admissions.

On the opening day of the American Council on Education's annual conference here, Atkinson denounced the SAT as inadequate for determining scholastic achievement.

"Change is long overdue," Atkinson said. "Accordingly, I am recommending that UC change its test requirements in the admissions process."

The president's proposal would have to be reviewed and approved by the Academic Senate, the statewide faculty governing body

for academic policy, and the UC Board of Regents, a process that could take more than a year.

The news media and education policy experts, however, seized upon Atkinson's proposal, launching the president's views into the national spotlight by Friday afternoon, when UC officials announced

Atkinson's pending speech. Conference attendees were well aware of the speech's importance.

"If you have been following the news the past couple of days, I think you'll agree that we are in for an exciting topic this afternoon," said Michael Adams, president of the University of Georgia and chair of the council's board of directors.

"There are going to be many challenges to come."

Threat of serial bomber creeps closer to Collegeville

Tammy Scherer
Grizzly News Editor

Over the past eleven months, numerous bombs and other explosive devices have been found in both Chester and Montgomery counties.

The most recent incidents occurred in Limerick and East Vincent Township. With the threat creeping closer and closer to the Ursinus College campus, campus safety offers this advice to students:

Be aware. "Every student should keep their eyes open," Campus safety personnel Gary Hodgson said.

He warns that if students see anyone suspicious leaving anything around campus that they should notify campus safety as soon as possible.

Ursinus is an open campus with much activity.

Book bags and other personal belongings are often left scattered around campus.

Nevertheless, Hodgson advises that students "do not touch any book bag or any box."

"I am very worried that there is such crime in our area and that we are not immune to any acts of violence or such," Jeff Jackson said.

"It kind of freaks me out," sophomore Amber Shatzer said.

"Especially because my friends and I were up in Limerick when one of the bomb threats occurred."

Ursinus sophomore Rob Albert understands the potential danger from this situation.

"Having these bomb scares presents two problems; one that there are people out there that care that little for life, and two, that the authorities have not been able to catch the person, or even spot someone near any of the numer-



Police released this sketch of the serial bomber, allegedly responsible for up to 14 suspicious devices found throughout the area in the past year.

ous bomb sights."

Campus safety advises that Ursinus students should be aware

of their surroundings and should immediately report any suspicious observations to campus safety.

Suspects arrested in Dartmouth murder case

Mark Bubriski
The Dartmouth

Authorities arrested the two teenagers wanted for the murders of Half and Susanne Zantop at around 4 a.m. Monday morning in rural New Castle, Ind.

Henry County Sheriff Kim Cronk said Robert Tulloch, 17, and James Parker, 16, were arrested Monday morning, but he declined to give specifics of the arrest except to say that the boys were apprehended without a struggle.

New Castle is 45 miles east of Indianapolis, Cronk said.

At a news conference Monday afternoon at the Hanover Police Department, Attorney General Philip McLaughlin confirmed that the suspects had been apprehended.

McLaughlin thanked agencies and individuals involved in apprehending Parker and Tulloch but released no details regarding the motive of the teenagers or evi-

dence involved in charging them with the crime.

Authorities did not confirm or deny reports saying that one of the boys bought a 12-inch blade knife on the Internet.

Orange County Sheriff Dennis McClure had said earlier Monday fingerprints of the teens taken Thursday when New Hampshire investigators questioned them in Chelsea matched prints at the crime scene.

McLaughlin confirmed that fingerprints were taken, but would not confirm that their fingerprints matched ones found at the scene.

McClure also said the boys had purchased a military-style knife on the Internet before the murders.

They would not confirm that it was the murder weapon.

McLaughlin said McClure acted inappropriately in releasing the knife information, but still would not confirm that the boys purchased the knife.

UC students join in protest

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Heston was at the school to promote his new book, "Courage to be Free". A conservative student group at Villanova University sponsored his trip.

In response, Villanova young Democrat Vasavi Reddy made a statewide appeal to rally against Heston during his stay on campus.

Among the participants were students from Cabrini, Bryn Mawr, and Haverford Colleges.

The Ursinus students who took part are all members of the UC Democrat's Executive Board.

They were President Joseph Pope, Vice-President Sean Conley, Secretary Heather Miller, and Treasurer Cory Braiterman.

Pope considered the protest a

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---Joseph Pope,
President of the Ursinus
College Democrats

worthwhile and successful venture.

"We were successful because we sent a message...that we did not and will not go away. We won't be intimidated by the NRA," Pope said.

"We're not trying to take anyone's guns away. Instead, we're

E-mail abuse prompts need for Announcement Board

E-mail from Pg. 1

The Ursinus Forums Announcement Board is already up and running and available for student use.

"Students will still be able to say what they want, and those who want to know about it will have access to it."

Not everyone agrees with it, but it will hopefully be a solution to the problem of unnecessary circulation of e-mails.

trying to get childproof locks. We want improved criminal background checks and waiting periods, so that guns stay in the hands of law-abiding citizens and out of the hands of criminals."

Aspects of the gun control issue have been debated heavily in national political circles, the media,

and among the student body at Ursinus.

"That's why the College Democrats are sponsoring a debate with the College Republicans on the subject to be held after Spring Break," Pope said.

The event is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 28.

PSU dance marathon raises \$3.6 million

Lindsay Bosslett
Daily Collegian

The 2001 Interfraternity Council/Panhellenic Dance Marathon brought the cure for pediatric cancer "Within Reach," breaking their donation record for the fourth year in a row.

Bringing in \$3,609,830.07, this year's Thon raised nearly half a million dollars more than last year, even without the donation from Alpha Sigma Phi, which lost its charter last semester.

"I think it really goes to show what happens when students come together," said Daniel Halperin, dancer for the Undergraduate Student Government.

"Thon is an emotional powerhouse. It takes over the mind and soul."

"We put everything we have into it," said Christine Frazer, Thon chair for Zeta Tau Alpha. "The kids motivate us. We strive each year to beat our own total.

"It's not about being number one, it's about bringing in as much money as we can for the kids."

The number one commonwealth campus for the second year in a row was Fayette Campus raising \$64,610.89.

They beat their total from last year by almost \$4,000, a great accomplishment for the group.

Coming in fourth place for commonwealth campuses, Wilkes-Barre Campus raised \$15,965.92.

"We made a promise to the Four Diamonds four years ago that we would donate \$5 million dollars over the next five years," Walt Breuninger, Thon overall chairperson said.

"In 1999 we met that promise and donated \$1 million. Last year we donated \$2 million.

"We knew all along we were within reach of that commitment, and this year we did it, fulfilling our promise two years early."

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Wednesday, February 21, 2001 is the second annual

International Resident Assistant Recognition Day

Institutions across the country have designated this day to recognize the outstanding efforts and accomplishments of residence hall student staff everywhere.

The Ursinus College Residence Life Office asks you to join us in saying "THANK YOU!!!" to its great staff of Resident Assistants.

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SPINT Week informs students of alternative housing options

Cara Nageli
Grizzly News Editor

It is getting close to the time when students start thinking about where they want to live next year.

Those students not wanting the crowded, crazy atmosphere of Reimert and the other dorms on campus may opt for the quieter, off-campus houses.

However, most students fail to consider special interest housing as an option. They do not realize that this option can be one that is both fulfilling and beneficial.

The special interest houses are a small community that group together students with similar interests.

There are seven special interest houses on campus that focus on areas such as community service, art, physical fitness, and multicultural.

These houses are smaller, with only 4-18 people per house. The

only exception is Musser for international students, that houses 50 people.

SPINT week took place from Feb. 12-16, and, during this time, interested students could attend open houses and programs in which they could learn more about this housing option.

Students were able to look around the houses and talk to residents to get more information about the living conditions and requirements.

The turn-out during SPINT week was not quite what Residence Life had hoped, but Jackie Haring, Residence Director for Special Interest Housing explained that most students are usually turned-off by the fact that there are certain projects and requirements for students living in special interest houses.

"Most people are intimidated by the programs, but in most houses the work spent on programs is

minimal," Haring said. "The interest in these houses has increased in the last few years, and we expect it to keep increasing."

The requirements for students in most of these houses is that each person must be in charge of one project and attend one program each semester.

The projects are not very time-consuming and they are also fun.

Some examples of projects in the past have been a mural painted on the living room wall of the Art House, poetry readings and theme parties at Zwingli, and an ice-skating trip with the Wellness House.

Applications for special interest houses are available in the Residence Life office until Friday, March 2, and they are due by 4pm on that day.

Each applicant will be interviewed and, if accepted, will participate in room lottery separate from that of the other residence

halls. Living with less people can have its advantages, especially for students tired of the noise and commotion that accompanies living in a dorm environment.

"There is much open space in special interest houses and they give a feeling that is much more like home," Harin said.

"This is a great social and educational opportunity, and students who take advantage of this housing option develop both leadership and organizational skills."

"I really enjoy living with people who share the same interests as I do," junior Allison Wagner, who lives in Wellness said. "It is an option that I think everyone should consider."

Students are encouraged to look into this opportunity as an option for housing next year.

Residence life feels that it will be a fun and rewarding experience.



The Art House was one of seven special interest housing options highlighted during SPINT week Feb. 12-16. Photo by Joe Luskas.

New sorority may start at UC

Sorority from Pg. 1

ation, alumni have the opportunity to become involved with Alumni Chapters all throughout the U.S.

Aside from the bonds of sisterhood, and opportunities available for alumni, one of the biggest benefits is the job networking a national Greek alumni has right at her fingertips. National Greek organizations not only facilitate life long friendships, but in a sense they compile a huge family.

Tri Sigma is an organization whose principles are rooted in community service, scholarship and leadership.

It was founded in 1898 by eight women in Longwood College, Virginia.

The Tri Sigma Mission, or Principle Statement reads: "It is true that our founders represented a cross section of interests and personalities, each with a unique contribution to make. Today's members have a common interest, but also have private dreams

and goals. Tri Sigma prepares the individual for life-long democratic participation and emphasizes consideration for others urging each individual to be the best she can be and providing her with opportunities to do just that" (Tri Sigma handbook).

One interested student is freshman Quinn Dinsmore. "I am most interested in the principles that Tri Sigma stands for. I feel that I personally, as well as many other women here can benefit from such an organization."

"It will be so nice to have a common bond with thousand of other girls," sophomore Megan Hemperly said. "I like the idea of 'National Sisterhood', but more importantly, I love the idea of helping out the community as well as the nation through community service."

"The coolest aspect about this is the fact that it is a national sorority, and that in itself opens up many doors," junior Shweta Gandhi added.

Ursinus students react to court's ruling that Napster must shut down

Quinn Dinsmore
Grizzly News Staff

On Monday Feb. 12, a federal appeals court ruled that Napster, the now famous music file-sharing service, knew that its users were violating copyright laws.

This landmark decision could pave the way for further internet restrictions.

The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco allowed the web site to stay in business until a lower court re-drafts its injunction but said Napster must lock out those users who exchange copyrighted songs without permission, or face liability.

With the court's ruling hinting at the possibility of pulling the plug on this popular site, this decision has many Ursinus students "facing the music" with strong opinions.

An e-mail survey with 60 individual responses revealed that Napster is as popular at Ursinus College as it is nationwide, as most of its 57 million users are college students.

Ursinus students using the service have as little as 50 downloaded tunes and as many as an amazing 3,000-song playlist.

"It is a way to get a hold of songs from new bands, and it also lets a person get songs that are tough to find or are just recorded in concerts," sophomore Jonathan

Craig explained.

"Napster is a way for people to expand their music collection," Emily Dornblaser said. "It brought all different kinds of music to many people who had never heard it before."

That argument was consistent in almost all of the surveys, as 77 percent believed Napster did not make buying CDs obsolete.

Many students say they are in fact encouraged to buy albums only after previewing the songs through Napster, and most agree with senior Thomas Liposchultz, who feels Napster's effect has been two-fold.

"It's allowed people to hear songs by bands they otherwise wouldn't even bother with, and it's allowed fans of a band to preview new albums before purchasing them," he said.

An official statement from Napster echoes, "The Napster community is about the love of music."

Napster community members love music and purchase far more CDs than most people.

They share files with no expectation of gain."

Some students view that position as flawed when the average CD costs \$18.99 and Napster provides thousands of songs free of charge.

Many students admitted that the greatest advantage of Napster was

that the service was efficient and free, but some remarked they would pay a small subscription fee if the courts decide it is warranted to

"Napster is a way for people to expand their music collection. It brought all different kinds of music to many people who had never heard it before."

---Emily Dornblaser

limit piracy.

As Ursinus students advocate, money is often at the heart of this matter.

Sixty-two percent of those interviewed could empathize with musicians who feel Napster steals their music and distributes it illegally, reducing creative control and cutting into profits.

Still, this angered many respondents who accused the music industry of being greedy and power-hungry at the expense of the consumer.

"While I believe many producers and artists have the right to address issues involving their future production and sale, I view this network as a sharing process and a good way for many users to get to know each other," freshman

Silburn Dehaney said.

"Have any of the artists gone bankrupt yet?"

Megan Hershey agrees. "Those performers are enjoying the publicity that Napster gives their music and they're already swimming in money."

Other students remarked that many musicians are still millionaires many times over due to revenue generated by concerts and retail, as well as the CD sales.

Ursinus students suggest that, while music can no longer be controlled price-wise by musicians, the performers should take advantage of this technology to increase circulation of their creative genius to a worldwide audience with the click of a mouse.

Dave Matthews, an accomplished musician, is one of the few to encourage Napster.

"It is the future in my opinion. That's the way music is going to be communicated around the world. The most important thing now is to embrace it."

The issue of technological advances came up in the Ursinus surveys as well, as Napster is just one of dozens of web sites allowing file swapping.

Senior Phillip Allen likened the current controversy to the introduction of VCRs and the opposition of the movie industry in the 1980s, another case involving an "important piece of technology that

Ursinus College Crime Blotter

Date	Time	Location	Type of Incident	Description
02/10	Unknown	Main Street Residence	Vandalism	A student in a Main Street residence hall reported that between 11 p.m. and 11 a.m., someone kicked in his room door. No entry was made; nothing was removed. Physical Plant was notified and a locksmith repaired the door and lock.
02/13	Unknown	Unknown	Theft	Computing Services reported that a student who left Ursinus College failed to return his laptop, valued at \$2,600.
02/18	1:45 a.m.	Main Street	Traffic Incident	A vehicle driven by an Ursinus College student struck a telephone pole on Main Street. The vehicle sustained severe damage and the driver was slightly injured. He refused hospital attention and was administered a driving competency test at the scene. The driver was then taken to a nearby police station where he failed a breathalyzer test. Charges are pending.



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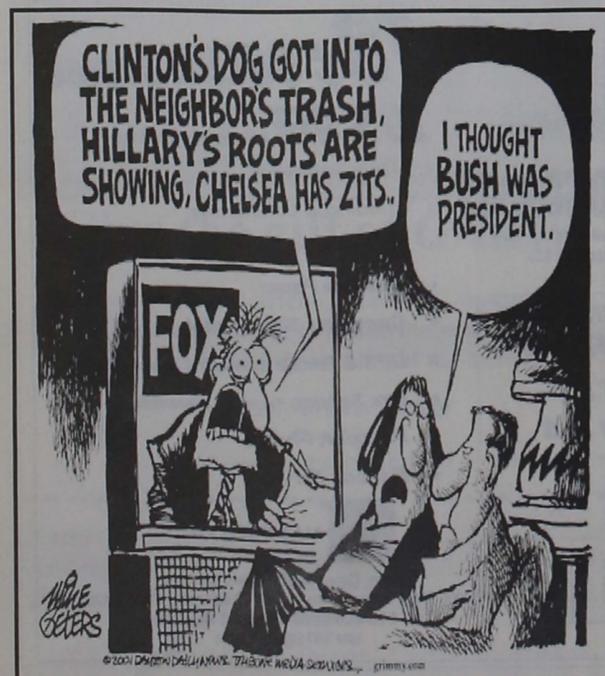
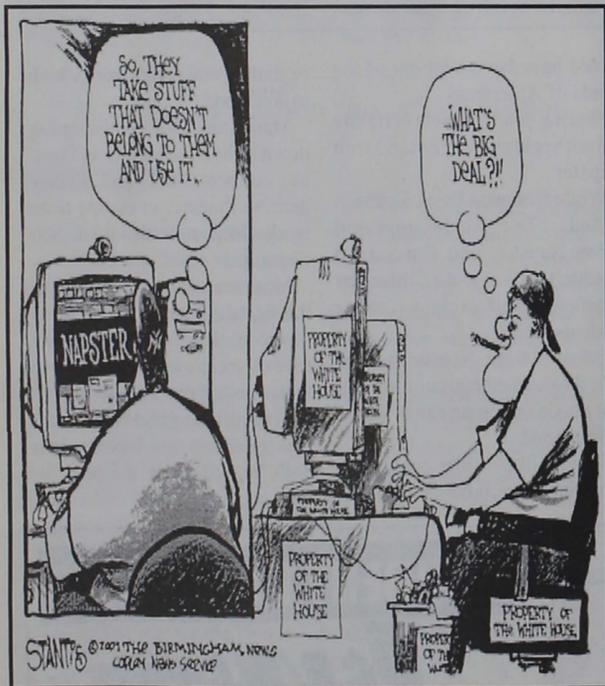
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CARTOON CORNER



Welcome to the board

E-mail abuse has spurred announcement board phenomenon; Will it really catch on?

Brian Berg
Grizzly Opinion Editor

In the wake of the latest round of mass e-mail abuse, the College has taken steps to protect all of our inboxes from unwanted, time-wasting, and meaningless electronic mail invasions.

While at first this might seem like a good thing, the fact that supposedly "adult" college students cannot even be trusted with the responsibility to regulate their own electronic mail is a sad commentary on the maturity level of the student body here at Ursinus College.

Although I did not enjoy getting 15 unsolicited e-mail messages a day, I can understand why someone who lost their keys, ID, or something else valuable would make a campus-wide plea for help.

I have no idea what the return rate on lost items was, but I am sure that it was better than if people did not post anything at all.

At one time or another we have all experienced the frustration of

misplacing our keys or ID and it is only natural to reach out for help in those types of situations - although annoying, I could understand where these people were coming from.

Overall except for a few recent abuses (the Charlton Heston protest and the *Grizzly* photo controversy), I thought that the e-mail system was working just fine.

Even during the Charlton Heston incident, the College Democrats took responsibility for their actions and urged students to continue the debate on the UCCD website rather than to keep posting responses to the entire campus.

However, this plea for reason went ignored as inconsiderate students responded to the entire campus and further exacerbated the problem for everyone.

As the story usually goes, a few bad apples have once again spoiled the fun for everyone and now only campus organizations, administration and other official groups have the ability to post messages to the campus as a whole.

The fact that the college had to

step in and take such a step as essentially revoking mass e-mail privileges speaks volumes about the current maturity level on a campus where common sense seems to be the exception rather than the rule.

This abuse controversy is just the latest in a string of incidents

I have observed (and shamefully been a part of at times) that demonstrate just how irresponsible college students can be.

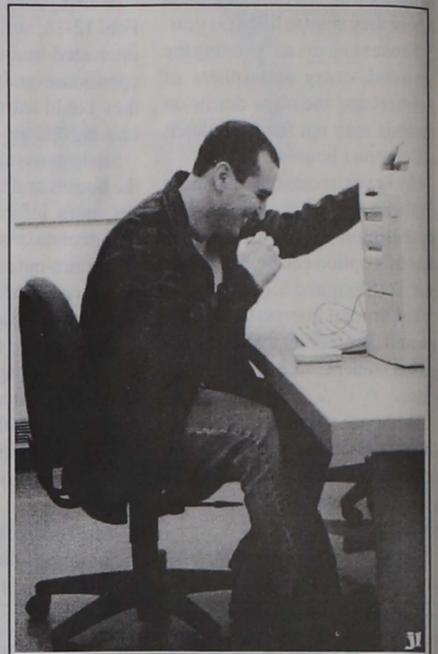
It can be as simple as not that the entire campus does not care about your opinion on gun control or as serious as smashing the car windows of a student who you think is "annoying."

At either end of the spectrum and at all points in between people need to realize that we are not in

elementary school anymore and that the real world is not very kind to those who act like they are.

After four years at Ursinus College I have seen enough to know that college students can act responsibly, it just seems that rather than hitting the "delete" icon, certain students feel the need to let everyone know how they feel about a particular issue.

It's called tact, people. Maybe you should check it out sometime.



Senior Ed Dougherty expresses his opinion without resorting to mass e-mail. Photo by Joe Laskas.

THE OBSERVER By JOHN GREBE

Once again the induction of new members into the fraternities and sororities is going on here at Ursinus College.

Though the process was formally known as pledging it has now officially taken on the name of "New Member Education," due to the fact that the term pledging implies hazing.

As of now I will clearly admit that there are not as many open signs of hazing as there were last year but I have found enough proof that it is still occurring regardless of the new stronger anti-hazing policy that the administration has introduced.

Before I go on I will mention that I recognize that Greek organizations are beneficial to their members because they develop a strong level of friendship among their members; however I have problems with the traditional "pledging" experience and feel that it is obviously not beneficial to people and in my opinion neutralizes most of the benefit.

As of now I have only confirmed that there is at least one Greek organization at Ursinus that does not haze its new members but this hopefully will be changed with this year's policy.

At the same time I know for a fact the new policy is not working and that people are still submitting themselves to hazing in order to gain social acceptance within a group.

Why? I am not sure but I believe that in general that the people that pledge have somewhat of an idea of what they are getting into but they underestimate the intensity of the suffering.

It is also my understanding that once someone is within the pledging trap that they will suffer a much heavier social backlash if they quit as compared to the suf-

fering that would take place if they endure the entire pledging period. I realize that the new policy is working to a certain extent because there are not the disturbing signs of open suffering and public humiliation that went on last year.

Wiser has been much calmer this year, which is a drastic improvement, compared to the circus it became last year with pledges running around and doing silly tasks like making love to the ice-cream machine.

However I have personally encountered enough proof to know that instead of stopping hazing in compliance with the new anti-hazing policy, many of the organizations have simply become more discrete about it.

These organizations continue to haze in secret, but what exactly they do, I don't know beyond the same rumors that everyone else has heard and what I have seen directly this year.

Earlier on during the new member education period I overheard a comment of a person pledging to a fraternity saying that they wish they would have had some warning of when "smack-down" would be ahead of time so they could prepare themselves to have their butt beaten.

Now isn't this smack-down a clear violation of the anti-hazing policy because it is classified as physical abuse?

A couple of days ago I also

examined some plain unpainted wooden paddles that were left in the room of a friend of mine whose roommate was pledging. I am not sure if these were the paddles that would be decorated and later used in a "smack-down" or not.

What I did find out was that they were thick and extremely heavy to the point that it was awkward to swing with two hands because of the weight.

However, if someone is strong enough to wield it I am sure they could really beat someone very hard with it. Hopefully the paddles are only for a ceremonial purpose but I am not sure if they will be used or not.

Another thing that I noticed is that is that there

have been a good number of girls that have I seen cleaning muddy clothes in BWC.

To the best of my knowledge, all of them were pledging but at the same time I do not know enough to know if all of them just happened to trip and fall in a muddy area by accident or if it was a hazing event in which mud was either dumped on them or if they were forced to roll around in a muddy area.

I also know that on one night multiple girls came back with their hair and faces covered in what appeared to be ketchup and mustard.

Again it is possible that this could have resulted from a food fight but it is more likely that it was dumped on them. Almost all of the dryers

in the BWC laundry room have become messed up, containing either dried mud and or what appears to be sand and gravel, which might be cat litter but I am not sure.

The other major problem is that the pledging activities have also been affecting people that are not pledging this year.

I know of several incidents of dirty pledge clothes that are covered with something that smells so bad that they have stunk up the laundry room and resident halls.

It is one thing to abuse the people that chose to pledge but it is entirely different when pledging starts to affect the entire campus population, such as in the case of the laundry rooms being messed up.

Everyone should not have to check to make sure the washer and dryers are free of foreign material that may damage their clothes and then end up waiting longer for one of the few that have not been messed up.

I realize that the pledging problem has existed for years and is not going to go away overnight. The college is working on the problem and it has accomplished visible progress from how it proceeded last year, which I am pleased with.

At the same time, unless the college enforces the new code better, it is useless and the hazing problem will remain.

In my opinion there is more than enough suspicion to start conducting several investigations as described in the article published last week in *The Grizzly*.

The situation has been slowly getting better at Ursinus and I hope it will continue to improve with time.

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GRIZZLY CROSSFIRE

SHOULD DRUGS BE LEGALIZED FOR CIVILIAN USE?

Absolutely

Bill Mill is an Ursinus freshman and Computer Science major.

I don't abuse drugs. I don't encourage anyone to abuse drugs. I hope that, in the future, my children will not have the desire to abuse drugs.

Despite all this, I believe that America needs to end its holy war against drugs.

Why? The answer is simple; it is clearly an abject failure.

To begin with, one can look at it from a business perspective. Imagine that you tell your boss, in 1988, that you could eliminate for him the problem of employee absenteeism by 1995.

Now imagine, in 2002, after spending a couple of billion dollars, that you come back to your boss with the news that employee absenteeism was worse than before.

What would your boss' reaction to this news be? Most likely, he would not be willing to continue to fund your project. In fact, he would be far more likely to wonder where his money went and fire you.

Similarly, the American War on Drugs has cost taxpayers billions of dollars in one of the most spectacular failures in our government's history.

It not only has failed to keep drugs out of anybody's hands, it has contributed to the problems of police militarization, racial division, and violent crime.

While Washington continues to try and impress soccer moms by "getting tough" on drug sellers and users, they consciously ignore the fact that the problem is not improving.

Neither will the problem improve until they realize that the solution is not to prosecute the sale of drugs, and instead concentrate on helping the victims of drug addiction.

Furthermore, the job of determining who is putting illegal substances into their bodies is the person's.

While the government may have its heart in the right place, its method of enforcing drug laws has not only failed, but leads to the need to violate people's basic civil rights.

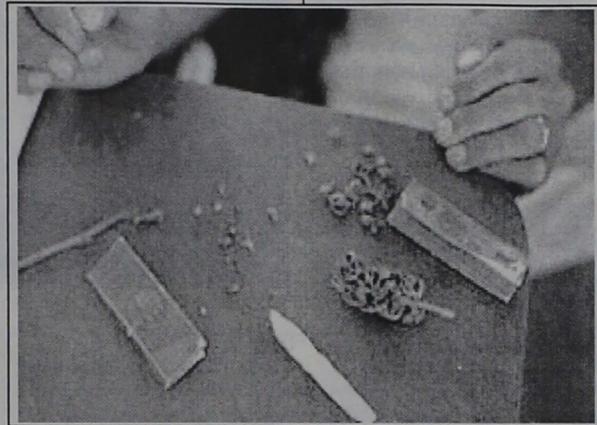
The rise of illegal searches, random urine and hair tests, and increased surveillance can all be

attributed to the War on Drugs.

The last time that America tried to enforce such an offensively overbearing law was during the prohibition of the 1920s.

The result? A massively increased mob presence grew to fulfill the increased demand for alcohol that ensued.

People who didn't even drink before Prohibition began to do the new "cool" thing. As the mob rose to support America's new favorite pastime, violence increased as



many people vied for control of few black market goods.

This rise in mob violence is mirrored in today's increasingly powerful gang presence, which threatens us all.

Speaking of the past, drugs were legal until 1914—until a few racist laws were enacted to prevent Chinese rail workers from using opium and blacks and Hispanics from using cocaine and marijuana.

People abused drugs, without doubt (read any Poe lately?), but those out of control were very few. As is the case today, some people will always fall victim to the allure of drugs.

Fortunately, there is something we can do—help drug addicts instead of beat and imprison them. By making an honest reevaluation of the way that we spend our money on drugs, we can treat addicts as humans, not as criminals to be stomped and looked down upon.

The War on Drugs is a failure; instead of continuing in our path of denial, we should acknowledge that fact and start doing everything we can to help the people touched by the disease of drug addiction.

<http://www.lp.org/issues/relegalize.html>

Not a chance

Christina Abreu is an Ursinus freshman and undecided major.

The debate over drug legalization in the United States is a controversial and open-ended forum for discussion. Many of those who support drug legalization lack facts and proof that such a step would reduce drug use and addiction; these proponents are unaware of the severe implications that such a move would have on society.

weed smoking sections at restaurants, bars, airports?

Seventy percent of drug users are employed. Legalization would turn sporadic drug use into long-term use. School bus drivers could use drugs in front of children, surgeons during operations, or athletes during half-time of games.

Those scenarios are possible because proponents of legalization suggest no specific legitimate platform for this process. What would the age limits on drug use be? Who would regulate the sale of drugs? Who would distribute the drugs? These are questions that are often left unanswered.

Taxing the sale of drugs for profit could also be harmful and promote even more drug related crime, which is an element that legalization is intended to eliminate. Taxation would raise a criminal black market, which would directly lead to more violence; therefore, it would not be a shock if more money was needed to staff police in an attempt to stop the sale of drugs by unauthorized dealers.

Many proponents state that the war on drugs is a lost cause. However, programs such as DARE and television and written campaigns against the use of drugs are effective in deterring young people from using drugs. Removing funds for these programs to support the legalization of drugs would send the wrong message to young people and others influenced by such programs. Does this now mean the drug use is acceptable and proper behavior?

Supporters of legalization are abandoning their duty to educate people about the harms of drugs. They fail to note the benefits of legalization, while the harmful effects are quite obvious. Perhaps, those proponents have used too many drugs themselves to realize the difference.

Living in 21st century America, the thought of legalizing drugs, particularly marijuana, for the rational person should seem absurd and unrealistic. For instance, legalization would reduce the perception of the risks of drug use and the cost of use itself, thus making the drug more widely available and accepted. In turn, this would increase the demand for the drug, the use of the drug, and would lead to abuse and addiction.

Even if the drug of choice is marijuana, which is sometimes considered a harmless drug it can lead to experimentation with more harmful drugs. Legalization would remove the social sanction against drug abuse; would there now be

Great Napster debate

Song swap service a benefit to music

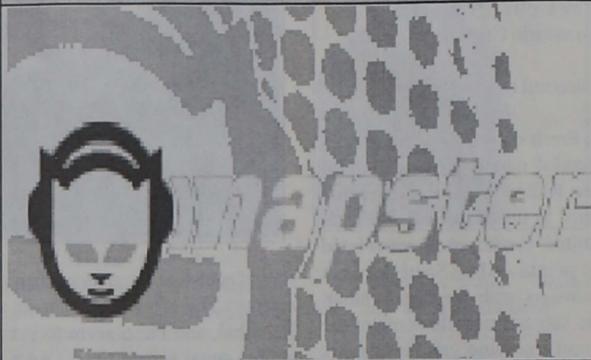
Amelia Pridemore
The Parthenon (Marshal U.)

A few months ago, I was sitting at my computer, bored to the point of answering my junk mail in calligraphy. So, I decided to log on to Napster and download a song or two.

I couldn't log on because the message "Banned by Metallica" showed up on my screen. I tried every trick in the book to get Napster back with no luck.

Also, artists who are ignored by radio stations and music channels are getting much-deserved exposure through Napster.

I was visiting eGreetings.com a few weeks ago and found an artist I'd never heard of before, Shannon Curfman. Out of curiosity, I downloaded one of her songs, and absolutely fell in love with it. I downloaded more and more of Curfman's songs, and I later



I wasn't alone. More than 300,000 people were booted from Napster for downloading Metallica songs.

Now, my use of Napster may not be the only thing banned. Napster could now be destroyed altogether.

On Feb. 12, a court ruled that Napster must stop the trade of copyrighted material.

Napster has fought many legal battles to stay alive and has lost most of them.

This ruling could very well result in the death of Napster.

What many in the music industry fail to realize is that Napster is a benefit to them. Most of the time, an artist's entire CD can be downloaded. This gives the music consumer a chance to sample the other songs on the CD besides the one being played every five minutes on the radio.

As a college student who has bought packs of cigarettes with piles of pennies, my money is quite valuable to me. Downloading songs from Napster showed me what CDs were worth my money and which ones weren't worth the bullets to open fire on them.

bought her CD. I am now a die-hard Shannon Curfman fan.

If it weren't for Napster, I would have never known she had recorded quality material and wouldn't have shelled out the \$17 for the CD.

Using Napster also gives people the chance to hear older and less popular songs by familiar artists. Three members of my favorite band, Matchbox Twenty, used to be in a band called Tabitha's Secret. I found Tabitha's Secret songs online, and decided the band's CD was worth my money and the wait for the special order.

What's next? Is Metallica going to charge a fee for people to listen to its songs on the radio?

If Napster dies, the music industry and radio stations will control everything the public sees and hears.

I almost hate to turn on the radio anymore because almost everything I hear is crap.

Napster must stay alive, or the choice of what is seen or heard will be solely in the hands of greedy record companies and mainstream radio...not the people who actually pay for it.

Shifting spotlight from Clinton to new chief

Faraz Rana
Cavalier Daily (U. Virginia)

It really is time to move on. A former president who attracts controversy like honey attracts bees is certainly front page material for The National Enquirer, but even juicy gossip can get dry after it's been repeatedly beaten to a dead pulp.

The controversies surrounding former President Bill Clinton even after he has left office are so pointless and redundant they make the whole Monica Lewinsky affair seem like a fresh, new story.

So what is it this time? It's quite a mix of things, actually, ranging from renting office space in New York City to speculation over the pardon of a multi-billionaire, international financier fugitive from justice.

Of course, no one is forgetting the rumor that the Clintons allegedly took some personal "gifts" from Air Force One before leaving office, and the pranks they played on their successors, such as taking the "W" off of most of the keyboards in the White House.

The big stuff, however, continues to keep Clinton's name reverberating around the darkest halls of the White House, as a haunting reminder to President George W. Bush that it will be a while before

his name is used with such frequency.

For example, the controversy surrounding Clinton's latest attempts to purchase office space in Carnegie Hall Tower should herald the title, "Democrat troublemaker rents expensive office space, angers half the world; Republicans threaten to launch nuclear weapons."

The bare bones of the story is that Clinton decided to go a little too extravagant, \$700,000-a-year extravagant, for renting his new office, which is funded by the government's General Services Administration agency and generally paid for by taxpayers.

Former presidents have usually stayed around the \$200,000 a year range for their respective offices, but as we all know, Clinton likes to live a little. The price for his office is well below the limit set by the GSA, and Clinton has even offered to pay for a substantial portion of the rent himself.

That, however, has not stopped Republicans from creating a storm out of a few raindrops.

The story of the international fugitive is a bit more interesting. Leave it to Clinton to befriend an endowed member of the Justice Department's Top 10 Most Wanted Fugitives club. Marc Rich,

who apparently made his billions making illegal arms and oil deals with Libya, Iran and Iraq, is wanted by the U.S. government for tax evasion and fraud, and has been living in Switzerland after escaping criminal prosecution in 1983.

Rich was officially pardoned of his criminal accusations in the final hours of Clinton's presidency, as Clinton exercised one of the executive privileges the Constitution grants him.

What makes this pardon different from others, besides the fact that Rich is not exactly a saint, is that Rich's wife has been an extremely generous donor to the Democratic Party and even to Clinton.

This obviously has raised some eyebrows in Washington, as people are wondering if Clinton's pardon of Marc Rich is legitimate.

The right to pardon is one of the few presidential powers explicitly granted in the Constitution, a power which is meant to be absolute.

It is one of the few areas where the president is not obligated to justify his actions to annoying challengers, and furthermore, is mostly based on his own judgment.

According to Clinton, his pardons were based on the principle that these particular people had paid their debt to society and were

ready to have their rights fully restored.

The bottom line is the presidential pardon is meant to be an exercise of the president's own judgment.

This particular pardon, however, insinuates that Clinton used his political power for his own personal benefit because of the alleged contributions of Rich's wife to the Democratic Party. A politician using political power to extend a personal favor?

What an unbelievably shocking concept.

The Republicans and the Senate Judiciary Committee investigating Clinton's pardon of Rich need to realize that playing out this controversy is only needlessly hurting the country.

It should come as no surprise that there have been more front-page stories about Clinton since the inauguration than there have been about the current president.

While Bush is trying hard to push reforms on education, tax cuts and debated issues such as faith-based charities, people can't stop talking about the past.

Needless to say, this only benefits Clinton himself, as he continues to draw more attention to himself and away from the new administration.

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Hannibal frightens, fizzles; *The Pledge* delivers

Jeff Church
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Hannibal

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Ray Liotta . . . Paul Krendler
Giancarlo Giannini . . . Pazzi

Directed by . . . Ridley Scott

Fresh off his last, more successful directing stint, *Gladiator*, Ridley Scott seems to try too hard in this film so that it feels stilted, forced, even convoluted at points. Also, Scott does not scare us with the film—rather, he disgusts us with some of the most gruesome, graphic imagery ever captured on celluloid.

The lack of fright originates from the film's lack of center. In Demme's *Silence of the Lambs*, Clarice Starling (portrayed originally and better by Jodie Foster) was undeniably the heroine and the center of the film. It was her story of the descent into the masculine-dominated world, the mind of a madman, and the sordid trail of murders left by a serial killer.

In *Hannibal*, on the other hand, Scott never really decides whom he should highlight, or how we



should even feel about these characters. The stories of Clarice, Hannibal, and Pazzi seem to get almost equal screen time. As a result, we're left not really sure whom we should sympathize with.

Are we supposed to feel sympathy for Clarice? She isn't given enough screen time, and when she is on screen, she is controlling, cynical, not the idealistic victim of a male-dominated world in *Silence of the Lambs*. Are we supposed to feel sympathy for Hannibal? Scott seems to motion in that direction, but how can we come to grips with sympathizing with him, after the gruesome final scene?

David Mamet co-wrote the film,

adapting it from the novel of the same name. Mamet infuses the script with some of the harrowing, gripping dialogue that made the first film great. Mamet especially empowers the first half of the film, which took place in Italy, and surrounded the struggling detective Pazzi.

There are moments in the first half that really soar—Pazzi tries to get a fingerprint from Hannibal, and gets it in an unusual way.

However, despite these gripping moments, *Hannibal* never really comes close to attaining the greatness of the first film.

RATING: (out of 4 stars) **

The Pledge

Jack Nicholson . . . Jerry Black
Benicio Del Toro . . . Toby Jay
Wadenah
Aaron Eckhart . . . Stan Krolak
Robin Wright Penn . . . Lori

Directed by . . . Sean Penn

Sean Penn's first directing attempt since *The Crossing Guard* (where Jack Nicholson delivered his last great performance), *The Pledge* again places Nicholson in the forefront, with powerful results.

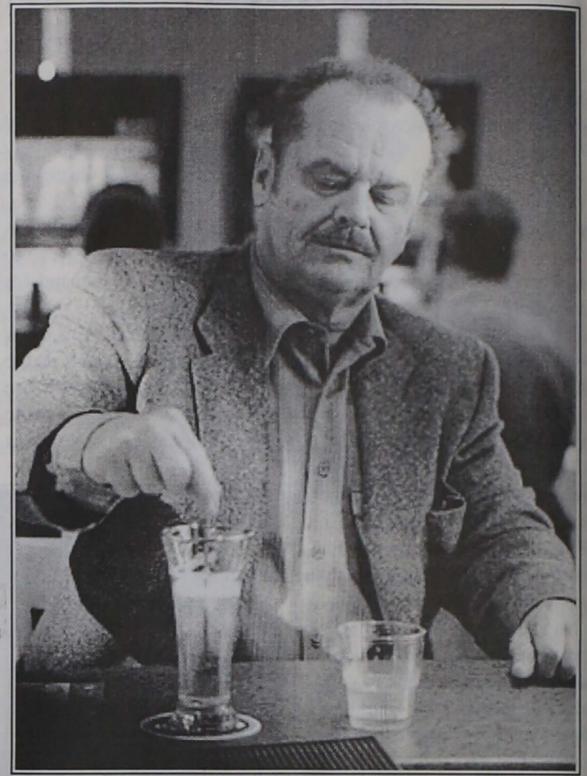
Nicholson delivers a performance that reminds us why he is one of the great American actors.

With subtle ingenuity and a deteriorating countenance, Nicholson plays Jerry Black, a retiring Police officer.

Black is a bachelor, and we can see why—he is so consumed by his work, by his pursuit for the truth, that he even uses his girlfriend Lori's daughter as bait to capture the "real" criminal.

Penn draws on the tradition of the great monomaniacal character (Ahab from *Moby Dick*), whose very pursuit consumes and destroys him.

Black's quest for truth demolishes his relationships, his love, and



eventually, his own mind.

Nicholson's performance coupled with Penn's great, gentle imagery would have made this film really powerful if it weren't for certain moments that really don't fit.

The pace is a little slow at points, but effectively used by Penn—agonizingly, alluringly we see Nicholson descend into madness.

RATING: (out of 4) *1/2**

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by Kathryn Chapman

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In a corner...curled up, a man sits, accepting his fears for the first time.
Under the bed...a child cries for the loss of him, inside of everyone.
In another corner...a woman, clutching her head, is having the realization that she cannot be everything to everyone.
In front of the door...an old man listens, trying to hear the things that will never be learned.
Lying on the floor...a monk reflects, aware he is in a place few people will ever be.
At the foot of the bed...a couple embraces, looking in each other's crying eyes, they hold each other's hearts in their hands,
And in the center of the room...I see myself, mouth open, eyes screaming...
not knowing what part of me to go to first.

The Buzz Behind-the-Scenes Entertainment News



Padraic Maroney
Grizzly A+E Writer

MTV goes Opera

Beyonce Knowles of Destiny's Child has signed to star in the MTV television movie, "Carmen" based on a 19th century opera.

"Carmen" is going to premiere this spring on the music network.

'Creek' drops character

"Dawson's Creek" will be going through a turbulent next few months.

Not only is someone going to bite the big one before the end of the season, but only four cast members will be making it to next season.

Rumors have it that Jen (Michelle Williams) will not be one of them, as she now wants to concentrate on films.

Dave Dabbles in Film

Dave Matthews didn't have a good experience making films before.

His film version of "Where the Red Fern Grows" ran out of funds, but he is now looking into the movie "24 hours," playing opposite Courtney Love and Charlize Theron.

Urban Sequel

Despite the horrible box office results "Urban Legends: Final Cut" experienced, Columbia pictures is looking to make the sequel.

Supposedly, if the movie does get off the ground, it will be a teaming of all the surviving cast members from both movies.

Jennifer Morrison (Amy in "Final Cut") is currently reading a script for the movie.

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Bears clinch top seed in playoffs with thrilling overtime win

Tim Noone
Grizzly Staff Writer

The Ursinus Bears Basketball Program (16-8, 7-6) downed the Muhlenberg Mules in a thrilling overtime victory to clinch the top seed in the Centennial Conference East.

The Bears were once again led by seniors Richie Barrett and Luther Owens in a tough week of ball.

Ursinus didn't make it easy on themselves as they hosted the Bullets of Gettysburg (15-8, 10-2) last Wednesday night, Feb. 14 in Helfferich Hall and were subdued to a tough team.

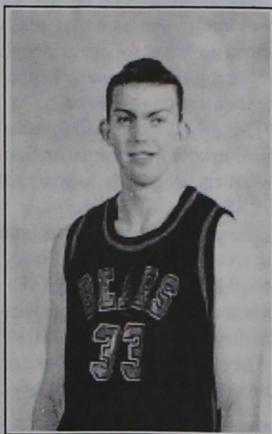
Even though the Bears led

through the first half, a 12-0 Bullet run in the second half put the Bears behind for good as they were defeated 59-54.

Sophomore Steve Erfle started for Ursinus as he dropped 19 points and grabbed 11 rebounds. Barrett added 12 and junior Alan Karafin contributed ten. Unfortunately, it wasn't enough to bury the Bullets.

This wasn't the main game on the player's minds though. They hosted the Mules in an Eastern Conference finale for the first seed in their division. If they won, the Bears were to host a first round playoff game and have home court advantage through the playoffs.

Owens led this charge of the Bears as he scorched the Mules



Senior Richard Barrett
for 25 points.
"His crossover is devastating and

the touch he's got on the ball reminds me of AI [Allen Iverson]... Luther is one of my great college basketball heroes!" a senior spectator said of Owens.

Although Owens had an outstanding day, it was a team effort and a team victory. Erfle added 12 points and an awesome 18 rebounds to help the cause. Along with Erfle, Barrett, junior Matt Tuzman and junior Brian Walsh all had 12 points apiece.

The Bears led most of the ball game, but a rush of offensive output at the end sent the game into overtime. The Mule struck first going up three, but Ursinus scored five unanswered on a Barrett three-pointer and a pair of Erfle free

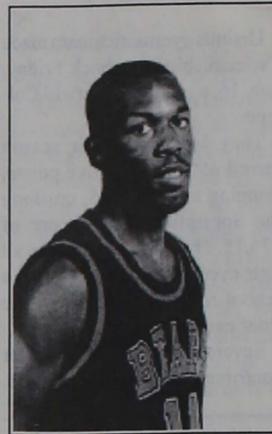
throws. This sealed the game and the crowd erupted in celebration with the Bears victorious, 81-79.

"It's great to see us come together as a team and really succeed as coach wants us to," Barrett said.

"It's a whole new ball game now that playoff time is here and we need to rise to the occasion."

Barrett and Owens are facing the home stretch as they wind down their four-year careers as starters. Barrett is presently the all time leading conference scorer and Owens is the all time assist leader - not a bad tandem.

The Bears will host the Gettysburg Bullets on Wednesday night at 7:30 pm in Helfferich Hall.



Senior Luther Owens
"It's do-or-die time," Tuzman said, "and we must succeed!"

Third Place finish for wrestling squad at CCC match

Sue Patton
Grizzly Sports Writer

The Ursinus wrestling team traveled to Gettysburg College on Saturday to take part in the Centennial Conference finals.

Six schools competed, looking to send their best to nationals in Iowa.

Ten of the top wrestlers, one from each weight class, were selected to attend nationals.

Four alternates were selected to replace a wrestler, no matter what weight class, if he cannot attend for any reason.

Among the ten selected was Ursinus' top wrestler, freshman Chris Catania. Catania has been an outstanding wrestler all season, losing only three matches.

"He's one of the best wrestlers we've had come through Ursinus," senior teammate Jason Flor commented.

"He's still got a lot to learn, right now he is great raw talent."

Flor was selected as the first alternate to attend nationals in the event that one of the ten cannot compete.

On Saturday, he pinned his first opponent and lost his second

match 10-7.

"It was the most fun I had wrestling this year," Flor continued. "I just put it all out on the line knowing that it could be my last match. It's a shame the team didn't do better, it just wasn't our year."

Ursinus lost some of its best wrestlers to injury during the season.

Among them were key wrestlers such as junior John DeGour who was lost to a shoulder injury; and sophomore Jeremy Snyder who suffered a knee injury.

"If we had stayed healthy, we could have won the conference," senior Josh Moyer commented.

Moyer lead a very successful career wrestling for Ursinus.

As a freshman and sophomore, he won the conference and was named Centennial Conference most valuable player.

As a sophomore, he was also named as an All-American.

During his junior year, he placed third in the conference and was named an Academic All-American.

As a senior this year, he placed second in the conference, was given the Chris Clifford Award for

Results from Gettysburg: Centennial Conference Wrestling Championships - Saturday, Feb. 17

125 Pounds

Semifinals: Jason Flor (U) p. Ben Segal (W&L), 1:43.

Championship: Pedalino d. Flor, 10-7.

133 Pounds

Quarterfinals: Nick Alley (WM) d. Dan Lesage (U), 11-9.

Consolations: Kareha d. Lesage, 6-1.

141 Pounds

Quarterfinals: Josh Moyer (U) p. Josh Kurjan (WM), 2:17.

Semifinals: Moyer p. Mike Russo (G), 4:46.

Championship: McLean injury default over Moyer.

149 Pounds

Quarterfinals: Bill Holsinger (M) p. Mike Siegel (U), 1:08.

Consolations: Chamberlain d. Siegel, 6-1.

157 Pounds

Quarterfinals: Tim Wagner (JH) p. Lyle Hemphill (U), 6:20.

Consolations: Salerno p. Hemphill, 1:15.

165 Pounds

Semifinals: Chris Catania (U) d. Bohl, 8-2.

Championship: Catania p. Bobbitt, 4:38.

174 Pounds

Semifinals: Sweitzer (G) d. Cwalina, 9-5.

Consolations: Cwalina d. Ochoa, 9-4.

3rd Place: McVey d. Cwalina, 17-5.

184 Pounds

Quarterfinals: Morgan Douglas (G) d. Andy Chencharik (WM),

8-6; Aaron Moak (JH) d. Mark Rodkey (U), 6-4.

Consolations:

Mark Rodkey d. Jenning, 7-3.

3rd Place: Chencharik (WM) d. Rodkey, 7-6.

197 Pounds

Travis Allred (U) d. Jake Jenkins (JH), 7-3.

Semifinals: Ezra Morse (W&L) d. Allred, 15-2.

Consolations: Allred d. Coogna (G), 11-3.

3rd Place: Allred d. Slokovitz (M), 3-2.

Heavyweight

Semifinals: Mike Kochler (U) d. Barschdorf (G), 5-0.

Championship: Cathey (M) d. Kochler, 4-1.

the most conference points; he also set a school pin record with 27 this season. Moyer was only one match shy of the school win record with 121 wins.

Ursinus was looking forward to sending Moyer to nationals after he pinned his first two opponents.

Moyer's career came to an end during his third match this Satur-

day at Gettysburg.

"We landed wrong on the mat and my left arm dislocated from my shoulder, my clavicle also separated from my shoulder and I tore

my AC ligament," Moyer said.

"So basically, my shoulder exploded."

Catania is excited about nationals and Flor also hopes to go.

Drunkenmiller, Augelli, Jaskewicz lead Bears at swimming championships

Megan Restine
Grizzly Sports Writer

On Feb. 16-18, the Centennial Conference Swimming Championships were held at Franklin and Marshall College.

Despite a low number of qualifiers for this culminating meet, the Ursinus Men's and Women's teams made their presence known.

"I was very pleased with our performance at Championships," Coach Pete Thompson stated.

"Everyone was focused and put forth their best effort. We had 27 best times during the weekend with only ten swimmers."

Junior captain Pete Druckenmiller made the largest splash by taking home a bronze medal in the 200 yard breaststroke with a lifetime best time of 2:16.34 and placing sixth in the 100 yard Breaststroke.

"I worked really hard this season, so I felt confident going into the race," Druckenmiller said.

"It was a really close race and I just tried to finish hard."

Druckenmiller's strength and determination were more than evident throughout the entire race, but were magnified during the last 50 yards.

"Pete swam a very intelligent race," Thompson commented.

"He had the second fastest last 50 time of the entire field and that's what made the difference."

Druckenmiller also made it to the final heat of 100 yard Breaststroke and finished sixth with a time of 1:02.56.

Sophomore Dan Augelli also had an outstanding finish to the season.

Qualifying for the final heats of both events, Augelli placed fifth in the 100 yard Breaststroke, with a time of 1:02.50, and seventh in the 200 yard Breaststroke, with a time of 2:19.11.

"I had a really good taper, and I felt really good in the water," Augelli said.

"I went out hard and just concentrated on maintaining my stroke."

Junior captain Denise Jaskewicz fought back from

chronic back problems to have an amazing weekend in the pool, qualifying for the final heats in two events.

With personal season-best times, Jaskewicz placed eighth in both the 100 yard Breaststroke (1:13.48) and the 200 yard Breaststroke (2:40.40).

"I think I ended the season on a really good note, and I kind of surprised myself," Jaskewicz said.

"I was just really excited that I made it to finals!"

The remainder of the UC team contributed greatly to the Bear cause.

Junior Ryan Michaleski had a personal lifetime best in the 200 yard Butterfly, swimming in the consolation round with a time of 2:11.33.

Sophomore Abbey Smith had seven personal best times during the weekend and qualified for the consolation heat in the 100 yard Breaststroke.

Junior captain Lindsey Glah, juniors John Montgomery and Victoria

"I think I ended the season on a really good note and I kind of surprised myself. I was just really excited that I made it to finals!"

---Denise Jaskewicz,
Swim captain, on qualifying for the finals in two events

Barrucco, sophomore Jen Tate, and freshman Jennie Nolan also qualified for the consolation heats of several events.

The coveted championship title was awarded to the Women's team of Swarthmore College and the Men's team of Gettysburg College.

Both of Ursinus' teams finished in seventh place overall.

The Ursinus Women's team just edged out Bryn Mawr.

As the underdogs, beating Bryn Mawr was UC's goal going into Championships.

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Gymnastics team beats Springfield, takes fourth at Invitational

Becky Borbidge
Grizzly Sports Writer

Ursinus gymnastics team made a remarkable comeback Friday, Feb. 16, against Springfield College.

They surpassed their season record of 176.25 by five points, bringing it to 181.425, crushing the Springfield girl's score of 176.15. The ladies took first in all four events and accomplished a school record of 46.525 on the floor exercise.

Several individuals made major contributions to this week's win.

Junior Christina Ng had another excellent meet, winning the all-around with a score of 36.600, as well as a school-record breaking performance on the floor exercise scoring 9.525.

Junior Jumaah Johnson won the uneven bars event with a graceful 9.325.

Sophomore Kristen Reed finished second in the all-around with 35.700 points and achieved a team-high of 9.150 on the vault.

Sophomore Melanie White also won the balance beam with a 9.575.

With all these awesome scores

this young team is sure to meet success at this year's ECAC competition.

In regards to this Friday's meet, White said, "the home crowd cheering and being at their home gym," really let them know "that they'd have a great meet." White also thinks that the girls have "a good chance as long as they hit their routines."

Being "more consistent and confident in their routines" will also help them for ECAC's, she said.

Freshman Shawna Eddy appreciated the spectators support on

Friday as well. "The crowd was awesome!" she said. "It really helped to have so many people screaming for us! It really kept up the momentum of the meet."

The girls also finished fourth at the Marranca Invitational on Sunday, Feb. 18, with a score of 178.850.

The girls beat their score from the preceding meet of last Friday, Feb. 9 and Sunday, Feb. 11. The girls are on their way to their seasonal average goal of 181.00.

They will hit the road to take on Rutgers this Saturday, Feb. 24.



UC Track team looks ahead to conference champs

Kate Gallagher
Grizzly Sports Writer

One week before the Centennial Conference Championships, the UC Men and Women's track and field team traveled to Albright to compete in the Albright Invitational. This meet was a last practice for the team before the big meet next week at Haverford College.

Both the men and women's team were represented well for UC. On the men's side, freshman Joel McElwee came out hard. All of his hard work seems to be paying off and he is in great position to peak next week at the Conference meet. At Albright he came in fourth in the 300-meter dash.

Junior Brian Prenderghast also did well, finishing fifth in the 1500-meter run.

Sophomore John Mohl threw 41 feet and 9 inches for the men and Yori Adegunwa came in third due to the faulty track surface.

"I can't wait to compete next week on a better track," Adegunwa commented.

We must bring a higher intensity next week because that is where it counts," Mohl said in preparation for next week.

On the women's side, sophomore Kate Gallagher threw 33-foot 9-inches to earn second place at the meet. The 4 x 1 lap relay team also ran well with a time of 1:36.9.

In the pit, junior Eboni Woodard

continued her efforts to qualify for ECAC's by competing in both the long and triple jump. In the long jump Woodard jumped 15-feet, two and a quarter inches.

"I don't know the competition. I don't know what to expect next week," Woodard commented about the end of season competition. "I haven't seen Haverford or Swarthmore, and I just hope I am prepared enough."

Junior Mariana Morris, who competed in the 4 x 1 lap relay, is ready to go next week. "It's ok if today wasn't that good," Morris said, hoping to pep the team up. "You are just saving it for next week, when it counts."

Freshman Kacie Meyer came in fourth in the 300-meter dash.

Guisto, Hussey lead women to win in season finale

Lauren Cyrsky
Grizzly Sports writer

The Ursinus Women's Basketball Team defeated Muhlenberg 58-45 this past Saturday, Feb. 17 in their final game of the season.

Senior Jackie Cooper scored 22 points in the game of her career and sophomore Bridget Hussey scored 11 points, including two 3-pointers.

Hussey finished the season with 53 three-pointers, a high for the

conference.

The women also defeated non-conference team Rosemont College on Thursday, Feb. 15.

Freshman center Kate Guisto scored 22 points and had eleven rebounds in the 80-68 win.

Junior Katie Scherer added 14 points and 12 rebounds. Sophomore Krista Marino also made 12 points for the Bears.

Guisto was named an honorable

mention to the All-American Centennial Conference Basketball Team earlier this week. Guisto's highest scoring game entailed 32 points and she averaged 15.9 points and 7.8 rebounds per game.

The women finished fourth in the conference behind Swarthmore, Muhlenberg, and Washington Colleges with a 6-9 (conference), 10-14 (overall) record.

These fine performances come toward the end of the season, with only one more meet left for the indoor season.

"Under the circumstances with the lousy track, we were just looking for a practice meet to get ready

for next week's champs. This meet was great for us to fine tune our abilities," Head Coach Ben Crowle commented on the overall performance of the team at Albright. "I now think that they are all ready for the big meet."

The Centennial Conference Championships will be held at Haverford College on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 23 and 24.

In the end, Yori put it best, "We are ready, and we are ready to go to Haverford and kick butt."

Club drugs create growing concern on college campuses

What's up in Wellness
Health + Fitness Report

"Club Drugs or Date Rape Drugs" are creating a growing concern on campuses across the country. These are predator drugs and can result in rape or death. This article will provide information on the six most common club drugs and was compiled from the website, www.clubdrugs.org.

MDMA

Slang or Street names: Ecstasy, XTC, Adam, Clarity, Lover's Speed

MDMA can produce both stimulant and psychedelic effects. MDMA is taken orally, usually in a tablet or a capsule. MDMA's effects last approximately three to six hours, though depression, sleep problems, anxiety, and paranoia have been reported to occur even weeks after the drug is taken.

MDMA can increase heart rate and blood pressure and produces a sense of alertness similar to amphetamines. The stimulant effects of MDMA, which enable users to dance for extended periods, may also lead to dehydration, hypertension, and heart or kidney failure.

MDMA can be extremely dangerous in high doses. It can cause a marked increase in body temperature (malignant hyperthermia) leading to the muscle breakdown and kidney and cardiovascular system failure reported in some fatal cases at raves. MDMA use may also lead to heart attacks, strokes, and seizures in some users.

GHB

Slang or Street Names: Grievous Bodily Harm, G, Liquid Ecstasy, Georgia Home Boy

GHB can be produced in clear liquid, white powder, tablet, and capsule forms, and it is often used in combination with alcohol. GHB has been increasingly involved in poisonings, overdoses, "date rapes," and fatalities.

GHB is often manufactured in homes with recipes and ingredients found and purchased on the Internet. GHB is usually abused either for its intoxicating/sedative/euphoriant properties or for its growth hormone-releasing effects, which can build muscles.

GHB is a central nervous system depressant that can relax or sedate the body. At higher doses it can slow breathing and heart rate to dangerous levels. GHB's intoxicating effects begin 10 to 20 minutes after the drug is taken.

The effects typically last up to four hours, depending on the dosage.

At lower doses, GHB can relieve anxiety and produce relaxation; however, as the dose increases, the sedative effects may result in sleep and eventual coma or death.

Overdose of GHB can occur rather quickly, and the signs are similar to those of other sedatives: drowsiness, nausea, vomiting, headache, loss of consciousness, loss of reflexes, impaired breathing, and ultimately death.

Ketamine

Slang or Street Names: Special K, K, Vitamin K, Cat Valium

Ketamine is an injectable anesthetic that has been approved for both human and animal use. Ketamine gained popularity for abuse in the 1980s, when it was realized that large doses cause reactions similar to those associated with use of phencyclidine (PCP), such as dream-like states and hallucinations.

Ketamine is produced in liquid form or as a white powder that is often snorted or smoked with marijuana or tobacco products. At higher doses, ketamine can cause delirium, amnesia, impaired motor function, high blood pressure, depression, and potentially fatal respiratory problems.

Low-dose intoxication from ketamine results in impaired attention, learning ability, and memory.

Rohypnol

Slang or Street Names: Roofies, Rophies, Roche, Forget-me Pill

Rohypnol is tasteless and odorless, and it dissolves easily in carbonated beverages.

The sedative and toxic effects of Rohypnol are aggravated by concurrent use of alcohol. Even without alcohol, a dose of Rohypnol as small as 1 mg can impair a victim for 8 to 12 hours. Rohypnol is usually taken orally, although it can be ground up and snorted.

The drug can cause profound "anterograde amnesia"; that is, individuals may not remember events they experienced while under the effects of the drug.

This may be why one of the street names for Rohypnol is "the forget-me pill" and it has been reportedly used in sexual assaults.

Other adverse effects associated with Rohypnol include decreased blood pressure, drowsiness, visual disturbances, dizziness, confusion, gastrointestinal disturbances, and urinary retention.

Methamphetamine

Slang or Street Names: Speed, Ice, Chalk, Meth, Crystal, Crank, Fire, Glass

Methamphetamine is a toxic, addictive stimulant that affects many areas of the central nervous system. It is being used by diverse groups, including young adults. Available in many forms, methamphetamine can be smoked, snorted, injected, or orally ingested.

Methamphetamine is a white, odorless, bitter-tasting crystalline powder that easily dissolves in beverages.

Methamphetamine use is associated with serious health consequences, including memory loss, aggression, violence, psychotic behavior, and potential cardiac and neurological damage.

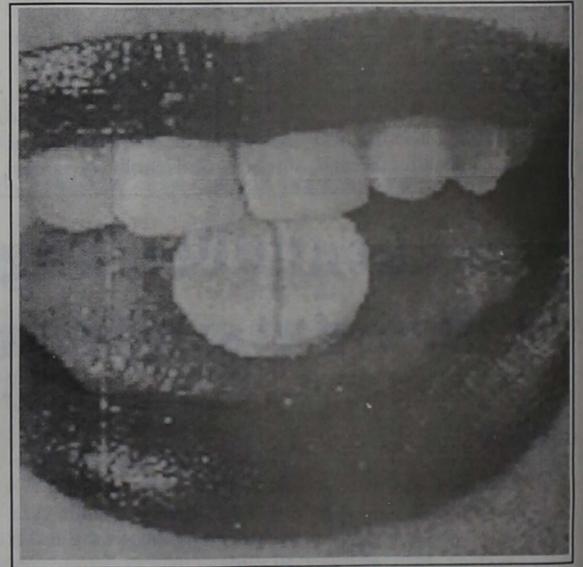
Methamphetamine abusers typically display signs of agitation, excited speech, decreased appetite, and increased physical activity levels.

Methamphetamine use can contribute to higher rates of transmission of infectious diseases, especially hepatitis and HIV/AIDS.

Lysergic Acid Diethylamide (LSD)

Slang or Street Names: Acid, Boomers, Yellow Sunshines

LSD is a hallucinogen. It induces abnormalities in sensory perceptions.



The effects of LSD are unpredictable depending on the amount taken, on the surroundings in which the drug is used, and on the user's personality, mood, and expectations.

LSD is typically taken by mouth. It is sold in tablet, capsule, and liquid forms as well as in pieces of blotter paper that have absorbed the drug.

A typical user feels the effects of the drug 30 to 90 minutes after consumption.

The physical effects include dilated pupils, higher body temperature, increased heart rate and blood pressure, sweating, loss of appetite, sleeplessness, dry mouth, and tremors.

LSD users report numbness, weakness, or trembling, and nausea is common. There are two long-term disorders associated with

LSD, persistent psychosis and hallucinogen persisting perception disorder (which used to be called "flashbacks").

If someone you know has ingested any of these drugs call Campus Security at x2737 or 911.

If any of these drugs are taken with alcohol the effects are much more severe.

The Wellness Center is open from 9 to 6 with appointments starting at 10:15am to see a staff member from Brookside Family Practice.

A counselor, Ms. Osisek, is available daily from 10 to 5 for meetings.

Call Dolores at x2412 to make appointments for either service.