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Candle light was the luminance of choice last Thursday as campus-wide power conservation students and faculty alike. Around 3 o’clock in the afternoon everyone’s 3:00, hair dryer, and CD player shut off abruptly, leaving only the dim glow of lamps held in dormitory rooms. It could have been worse. This journalist was happy to report that no one was injured while clashing dorms or tripping over the mess of books, which perished in the electrical fire. Several students ventured to local shopping districts to purchase candles and flashlight to combat the impending darkness. Only a handful in dorm rooms were without the few wanted candles they already possessed.

“Thank you,” said Kristen Grimmel, a North Hall resident. “It could have been worse.

Students huddled together in the lounge until the last minute to criticize the power outages. It was a good time, we even accepted joking,” said Kristen Grimmel, a North Hall resident. Personal information was able to be exchanged without any of the clutter of electronic devices.

Maria Rivera
Greatly Missed Writer

Have you had a professor so bad that you couldn’t wait until the end of the semester to criticize his or her performance in a Teaching Evaluation Questionnaire? Have you had a professor so great and outstanding you wish you had the opportunity to recommend him or her to other students? Students all across the state are getting the opportunity to do just that. Students can sign on to www.ratemyprofessors.com and anonymously comment on their professors.

College professors make a living by grading the performance of students, as well as instructing, suggesting and implementing knowledge, to name a few. Students can now offer their own suggestions and grade their professor’s performance. The goal is for professors to take into consideration these criticisms and change if necessary. On the website, students can rate their professors on their helpfulness, clarity, difficulty of coursework, and even their attractiveness.

The founder, John Swopesznicki, started this project in 1999. He was attending San Jose State University to receive a master’s degree in computer science at the time.

While there, I had a professor who was a real ogre and an unfair grader. I decided to start the Web site to warn others of professors like him,” said Swopesznicki.

Searching through the Web site links include Most Rated Schools, Recent Press, Funny Ratings and Recent Press, among many others.

Topicalholidayweshouldgetoffinsteadofthat,weadored, commented Madison Watson-Boy.

There is no legal requirement for schools to close on Veterans’ Day, but Ursinus chose not to institute a day off

Gradual increase in students, professors, and staff between the fall and spring semesters, has increased the amount of responses and suggestions people are actively involved with the Web site and find it fun and useful.

There are currently 3,417 schools and about 240,397 professors profiled in this new rating Web site, including Ursinus College, Lehigh University’s Virginia, Bryn Mawr, and Gettysburg are all included in this program.

99 Ursinus professors are criticized on the site ranging from near perfect scores to negative evaluations.

Students are encouraged to comment on their professors’ “anonymously” at www.ratemyprofessors.com.
It's true that nickels and stones can break bones, but, despite what the cliché says, words can hurt. And, right before our eyes, harmful words have been stream down all over this fall, resulting in bearing and not hurt feelings at Ursinus.

A series of incidents began early in October when the (the Daily-St. Alliance) ran with side- walk chalk slogans such as "It's ok to be gay." "Celebrate diversity," and "Question assumptions," in honor of National Coming Out Day. The writing was soon cleaned up in helpful stars, such as Lagerfeld, however, before we realize any state of descent.

The offensive words were left for all to see and offended more than just the people who wrote the original messages and the people it attacked. It was pertaining for anyone to see, hear, or write by just one way or straight. No one wants to see that things like that were written around campus and persist when just stepping out of your house.

There was little follow-up on the incident for about a week, until the whole campus received an e-mail from the student president of identifying this community forum is a model for the liberal arts education we're trying to build at Ursinus.

Junior Monica Delaney also felt the victim of the hate crime.

When asked about the issue as a whole, she said, "I was not on campus the weekend that the hate letter was written. I was, of course, appalled by many other incidents when I found out what had hap- pened."

I aimed the Grizzly and felt that it was an extremely positive experience for me, simply because I found out that I have the power to help erase some of the words that are all too fre- quently used at Ursinus. It is a sorry thing of saying things such as, "I'm a straight girl," to other people [as language that reminds me how much bad it is to be gay]. In short, I realized that the next time someone uses those words, they don't actually mean, "I don't believe them." However, that's in essence, what they are saying, which implies that we are not normal. In the world of the United States, racial slurs were not only socially acceptable, but they were legally protected.

Fortunately, now for the first time, we can finally say what we want to on the Internet. Hopefully, by raising awareness, we are heading in the right direction.

However, there are students who find this whole thing could be better and have been urging us all. They said that sexual orientation should not be displayed on campus in any form. They take their life as it's a private and personal matter, and by publicizing it, they are effectively in the wrong.

Opinions aside, this modern day is not something that affords the Ursinus community, and the hope is that this issue will get the people of the Ursinus community to think about the future of the good for everyone.

The Search for the Right Search Engine

Peter Benjamin
Grizzly Staff Writer

Whether professors like to admit it, the Internet is where students do most of the research. Whether it's needed for the charge of the educators, many students simply type the research subject into the box on search engines and wait for the results.

However, if you're going to do it right, while you are entering your subject into Yahoo or Google, do it right. While you may think that entering your subject into the box on search engines is the way to get your results, in most cases it's not. Different search engines offer different search engines.

I've heard someone once say that all search engines are the same and were in the same pool. There is no argument here that all search engines are the same, but there are differences. There are differences in the way one search engine is programmed, how they produce the results, and how they sort the results.

Since 1996, Debbie Ablich, a writer for Noise11.com and general internet guru, has put a webpage, "Search Engines," on her home page. Debbie provides listings and display results in the order of money paid, or they base results in order of popularity, and they not only use one search engine, but they use many search engines on the Internet, and almost every search engine is programmed differently.

If you don't have the time to figure out which search engine is the best for you, or if you're not too lazy to do so, you should at least know how to go from Google to Yahoo, Yahoo to Google.

The reason this is much better for your research is that most search engines work in two ways. What is important to use is that results are only on one search engine, you can use multiple search engines on the Internet, and almost every search engine is programmed differently.

So, if you're going to defy your professor and use multiple search engines, make sure you know how to use each search engine, and use it right. Use the search engine that's best for you, and use it right.

Stephanie concerning the Residential Village Matt Simonne
Grizzly Staff Writer

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The Village is comprised of four houses: Calhoun, Stephenson, and the Village. The Village is used primarily for freshmen and sophomores. While the other houses are used primarily for juniors and seniors.

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Unfortunately, we are headed in the wrong direction.
"The Love of The Nightingale" is a new musical, inspired by the Greek myth of the same name, which explores themes of love, loss, and transformation. The show features an ensemble cast of actors, singers, and musicians, with a score that incorporates elements of classical and contemporary music.

On stage, the audience is transported to a world of myth and legend, where the characters grapple with deep emotions and complex desires. The production includes a variety of visual effects, from projections to elaborate costumes, that bring the story to life.

In addition to the performances, the show also includes a series of workshops and discussions, where visitors can learn more about the music, literature, and history that inspired the creation of "The Love of The Nightingale." These events are open to the public and provide a unique opportunity for engagement and education.

Overall, "The Love of The Nightingale" is a powerful and moving experience that invites you to explore the timeless themes of love and loss through the lens of Greek mythology. Don't miss your chance to see this incredible production!
Men’s Basketball Season Looks Promising

Eddie Murray
Grizzly Sports Writer

The Ursinus Men’s Basketball team took the floor this year without one true goal in mind: to repeat as Centennial Conference champions.

The road ahead will be long, bumpy and unpredictable, but the Bears are ready and the team is led by senior captains Tere Biermann and Dennis Strojan, who Coach Kevin Smallalls, “the best player in the league.”

Stanton will be surrounded by a young supporting cast, including 2 freshmen, Will Hey 6’9” and Matt Fabian 6’5”, who will see a lot of time early.

7 of the team’s top players are freshmen and sophomores and will see a bulk of the minutes and the guard position.

Sophomore point guard Mike McCardy will lead the backcourt along with Stanton, while sophomore Steve Scholz will compete with FAry and Fabian for time in the frontcourt.

Junior Xavier Williams will start at guard.

While Coach Small has not de­cided who will take the frontround, he will say that time will be distributed between Faery, Fabian and Scholz. Whoever starts is more than a formality than a competitive battle.

Taking the reigns this year is forward forward Dennis Strojan, who will be heavily relied upon to score points.

Stanton’s standout range and driving capability will force double or triple coverage from opponents this year, creating opportunities for other players to step up and score.

How well Danny’s teammates react to their role will determine how the team finishes this year.

Last year’s team was the team since 1994 to bring home a conference championship. A large part of last year’s team graduated, a very large part.

Dan Luciano and Steve Erfle were heavily relied upon last year to pull down 22 rebounds a game and big off the bench, contributing rebounds and draws.

It is hard to imagine replacing the big man in the middle, said Coach Small. “We have had our share, but we very young and I will take this.

Going into the season, the team has at the guard positions.

The Bears as they have the least conference championship.

The girls were skeptic at first with many strengths as well.

This year, the Bears will have to look elsewhere for rebounds and for a primary weakness for the team this last season.

With the losses of Carp and Meeks out youth as forward and coaches hope fans to stick around for another year and that they will look elsewhere for rebounds and forwards.

On the other hand, the team has many strengths as well.

If the rebounding questions are answered and the youth does display their age on the court, the Bears should have another solid season and secure the role of conference championship.

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