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GRIZZLY

J-Board Hears USGA Controversy

by Martin Sacks

The most recent crisis concerning the just held USGA elections has reached the point where the Judiciary Board must step in. The problem centers around John Fuller, who was apparently defeated in the race for Men's Vice President.

According to Dean David Rebeck, USGA advisor, Fuller is protesting the results of the elections for all three offices which were originally contested: Men's Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, and Representative for the Class of 1982. This complaint has led to a delay in the installation of the new USGA officers, and could place the status of these people in serious doubt.

Fuller complained about numerous voting irregularities during the balloting held on February 4. In his statement to the J-Board, Fuller mentioned ballot stuffing by certain individuals due to lack of identification procedures during voting, lack of privacy for one vote, and balloting hours shorter than those that had been announced as his reasons for desiring new elections.

The USGA Constitution does have provisions for the protest of an election, but an apparent misunderstanding between Fuller and Kim McFadden, head of the USGA Election Committee, brought more problems into the situation. The first step in the appeal of an election is to the USGA Election Committee via a letter to the President of the committee. The misunderstanding concerned this letter.

In his statement to the J-Board, Fuller stated that he was never told about the necessity of sub-

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mitting this letter. However, in a statement to the J-Board by McFadden on behalf of the USGA Election Committee, it is stated that Fuller was told about the letter on Tuesday, February 5, the day after the election. When no letter had been received by Thursday, February 7, the date of inauguration for the new officers, the USGA constitution was once again made clear to Fuller. Fuller's official letter of protest was finally received by McFadden just before the swearing-in of the new officers. With an official complaint now on file, the swearing-in could not take place, so they did not, contrary to the Letter to the Editor in last week's *Grizzly*, which had been submitted for print before this problem arose.



Kim McFadden

Upon consideration of the Fuller appeal, the USGA Election Committee decided not to declare a new election. In the committee's statement to the J-Board, it was explained that the USGA believed that ballot stuffing did not take place to the extent claimed by Fuller; that any inconsistencies that did take place were due to the fact that voting was held in two places (Wismer and the Union); and finally, that the one occasion that the poll closed early (Monday lunch) was due to a shortage of ballots, and this was made up for by extending voting hours that evening. The election committee felt that these problems were not serious enough to affect the election results, and thus refused the appeal.

According to the USGA Constitution, Fuller's next course of appeal would be to the J-Board. This hearing was held on Thursday afternoon, February 14. However, the outcome of this hearing was not yet available at press time.

Victory Over Swarthmore

Men's Basketball Captures Title

by Jeff Plunkett

This past Wednesday night's 63-59 Ursinus victory over Swarthmore College clinched outright possession of first place in the MAC Southeast Conference for the Bears. The possibility of gaining sole possession of the top spot was made more unlikely, as a result of Ursinus' 90-83 loss to Washington College last Saturday. Despite Jim Mobley's 20 points, the loss of three starters to personal fouls, was too much for the Bruins to overcome against the Washington ball club.

In preparation for the Swarthmore contest Ursinus defeated a very respectable Pharmacy College team by 72-65 score this past Monday. Mobley, for the second game in a row, threw in 20 points. His effort was aided by Mike Brophy and Kevin McCormick, who scored 16 and* 12 points, respectively.

Against Swarthmore, Ursinus was again led by Mobley, who scored 17 points. Tom Broderick helped out with 14 points of his own. The Bears' chances



COLLEGIUM URSINI

The Men's Varsity Basketball Team brought a title to Helfferich Hall this week.

looked dim when Broderick, the team's leading rebounder and shot blocker, fouled out with close to five minutes still remaining in the contest. However, Brophy, McCormick and Dennis Leddy, all came through down the stretch, each hitting on one-and-one opportunities in the final minutes. Ursinus also got two big breaks when Swarthmore's Gary Silverman, one of the MAC's top foul shooters, missed two one-and-one opportunities near the game's

end. The victory puts the Bears season record at 16-6 and secures the home court advantage for next Thursday night's 1st round playoff contest.

Bear Facts: Ursinus will play the second place team from the MAC Southwest Conference. That team will be Franklin and Marshall, Western Maryland or Dickinson . . . If Swarthmore beats Haverford in their final game they will clinch the other playoff spot.

Reber Spends Semester In England

by Jennifer Bassett

Karen Reber, an Ursinus senior, was fortunate enough to participate in a student exchange program last semester. Arranged through Beaver College, the program consisted of 35 American students from colleges attending England's City of London Polytechnic for a semester. Ms. Reber feels the program was a well organized experience, socially as well as scholastically.

After a week of orientation and tourism in general, the American students settled in a coed house near Polytech. The school was a large university offering courses that had reading lists instead of tests and other choices. Then a junior, she majored in psychology and literature. Their term ran from October 1 to January 18.

Karen visited France, Germany and Amsterdam, as well as covering the famous towns of England.

Days were spent on long walks through parks and museums while nights were spent in pubs and jazz clubs where bland meat pies were the chief item on the menu.

If the food was mediocre, the theatres more than made up for it. Karen said she frequented 20 professional theatres that gave great discounts to students.

Ms. Reber feels the semester

was one of the ultimate experiences of her life and encourages anyone able to participate in the exchange to do so. Although she did not have the 85 average usually required, her requests were fulfilled and she received 15 credits for her semester in England. If any students would like more information on prices or life in England, Karen, who lives on Beardwood 1, would be glad to answer questions.

What's Inside . . .

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USGA Notes

On Thursday night, Ursinus Student Government Association stepped into a new era. A newly elected executive council and many new class representatives make up the majority of this new administration. Very few students remain from the outgoing USGA, and with the changed administration, fresh, new ideas have surfaced in the first few weeks.

As the newly elected president I feel I have the responsibility to listen to these new ideas and act on them accordingly. I must provide the leadership to make your representatives work for you. The students of Ursinus must realize the fact that their fellow students have position of responsibility to change campus life, but we cannot do it alone. We must have the support of the campus community if we are to accomplish anything positive for the betterment of Ursinus. So I only ask one thing, get involved!!

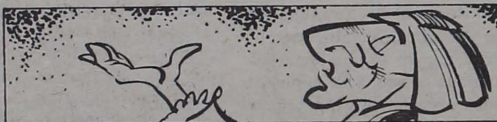
There is a chain of command involved in the student government. You, as a concerned student, can tell your class president or representative of your idea. They, in turn, should present your proposal to the USGA at its weekly meeting. If you feel this did not work, come to the meeting and express your views under new business. Or you can come directly to me in Curtis 305. Let me know of any problems that occur and you would like to see changed. Again, I say, get involved!!

As you bring your ideas to the USGA, we must formulate them and see if there is anything we can do. No problem or idea is too great or small. After careful consideration and hopefully a solution, the USGA will make the campus community more aware of what is happening. This will be done through **The Grizzly**, all campus memos, table flyers and through the class presidents and their more frequent class meetings.

Most of you reading this will say "What is he trying to tell us?" I only ask one thing, get involved. Participate in the activities the USGA plans, bring your problems to us, and do not take the excuse of "not having enough time." I am willing to sacrifice my time for the betterment of Ursinus and I expect my executive council to do the same. Ursinus can become a premier institution of higher education with improvements in social life, recruitment and higher student responsibility for the things and people around them. The campus community has started down this road and it is the students who must continue to offer the information that raises the awareness of things which still need improvement.

Remember, I will work for you and I must have your help. So, in closing, I must repeat, get involved!!

Ross Schwalm
President, USGA



"Being brilliant is no great feat if you respect nothing."
Goethe

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Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

In response to Tom Ward's letter of protest concerning my write-in campaign for President of the USGA, I would like to present evidence which, I feel, unequivocally clears me from any wrongdoing.

Despite my deepest respect for Mr. Ward's exemplary concern for the preservation of the USGA Constitution as it was established years ago by our Ursinus forestudents, I must correct his invalid interpretation of Article VIII, Section 1-A.

You're right, Tom, this article does, indeed, specify that all "nominations" for USGA offices are to be made by petition; and, yes, Tom, I never did hand in a Presidential petition. So by the letter of the Constitution I was never a "nominated" candidate. Yet, you used this "nomination" clause as grounds for considering me ineligible for a USGA office. Does this mean that a person has to be nominated before he can become eligible for an office?

Nowhere in the Constitution is candidate eligibility explicitly defined. However, Article IV, Section 3, does state the qualifications for the offices of USGA; I met all these qualifications. Any person who meets the qualifications of an office should be eligible to assume this position, regardless of whether he or she is nominated for that position. Every American over 35 is eligible for the Presidency of the U.S. Yet, how many of these people are ever nominated for that position. Nomination and eligibility are unrelated.

Furthermore, the Constitution does not mention the use of the ballot candidate in USGA elec-

tions. Consequently, my write-in was not constitutionally abrogative. In fact, it set a precedent that was backed by President Kim McFadden's approval. In 1968, Lyndon Johnson won the New Hampshire primary when 27,520 voters wrote-in his name on the ballot. In the Oregon primary of 1976, Governor Jerry Brown's name was not on the ballot. Yet more than 106,000 persons wrote-in his name, giving him a third place finish in that contest. Yet you say this is "unfair" and that I "ignored" the Constitution by attempting a write-in campaign. But the write-in is obviously democratic and, despite its deficiencies is fair.

Sincerely,
Arthur Montano

To the Editor:

The Brothers of Zeta Chi regret to inform you that there will be no wall shows or pledging activities until after vacation, and then only for five days. Our meetings with administration members have effectively served to reduce our penalty from 99 years to 95.

I have received mixed reactions from the student body towards this decision, however, mostly concerning the growing vulnerability of frats and sororities to the swift moving hand of the J-Board and its varied "special" cases. But, I know the many students who stood rooted to the cement, overflowing into the lounges (captivated by both the challenge our pledges undertake as well as the hilarity and school spirit produced by our antics) will find something to do until then.

A few quotes of other frat and sorority members concerning our plight range from "How sick!" (of the administration, that is!),

"Limiting pledging to one week basically destroys the entire concept of unity because the pledge-brothers haven't developed the interdependency of pledges." "We have to get together to work against this whole thing."

I would like to thank all who give their support, some quite unexpectedly (thanks again) and others for advice and consolation.

Sincerely,
Ron Baltz
Vice-President
Zeta Chi

To the Editor:

During a visit to the campus this past weekend, I was delighted to see a copy of the college newspaper, **The Grizzly**. I congratulate you and your staff on the new name, the format and the paper's content.

The Grizzly lay-out is lively and eye-catching. The articles are timely and well written. I was particularly pleased to read an article by one of my former students, Frank Ayres.

Again, I am pleased to see that a newspaper thrives at Ursinus. **The Grizzly** is a definite improvement in content and lay-out over **The Weekly** when I was involved in its preparation.

Keep up the good work!
Sincerely,
Jim Williams, '71

Editor's Note:

The Grizzly editorial staff maintains a policy regarding Letters to the Editor such that all letters should be approximately 250 words or less. Furthermore, all letters must be signed with the author's full name (no nicknames) and campus address.

Any recent letters to this newspaper which were unsigned will be printed at such a time that their writer's identity is released.

What's Happening? Feb. 15-23, 1980

- Friday, Feb. 15
 - 6:30 p.m.—Movie, **Just You and Me, Kid**, Wismer Aud.
 - 9:00 P.M.—Lorelei, Indian Valley Country Club.
- Saturday, Feb. 16
 - 11:00 a.m.—Gymnastics: F & M, U of Pitt.; Helfferich Hall
 - 1:00 p.m.—Women's Basketball: Drexel, Helfferich Hall
 - 2:00 p.m.—Men's Swimming: Kings, Helfferich Hall
 - 2:00 p.m.—Wrestling: Scranton, Helfferich Hall
 - 6:30 p.m.—Movie: **The Brinks Job**, Wismer Aud.
- Monday, Feb. 18
 - 6:30 p.m.—Men's JV Basketball: Albright, Helfferich Hall
 - 8:15 p.m.—Men's Varsity Basketball: Albright, Helfferich Hall
- Tuesday, Feb. 19
 - 6:30 p.m.—Badminton: Albright; Helfferich Hall
- Wednesday, Feb. 20
 - 7:00 p.m.—Program: Beardwood Chem. Society, Pfahler 108
- Thursday, Feb. 21
 - 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.—Marine Corps Selection Team, Wismer Lobby

- 7:00 p.m.—Mini-Course: Bridge, College Union International Room
- 7:00 p.m.—MAC Diving Championships, Helfferich Hall
- Friday, Feb. 22
 - 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.—Marine Corps Selection Team, Wismer Lobby
 - 11:00 a.m.—Forum: "Outdoor Sculpture," Glenn Zweygardt, Wismer Aud.
 - 11:00 a.m.—MAC Swimming Championships (trials), Helfferich Hall
 - 6:30 p.m.—Movie: **Straight Time**, Wismer Aud.
 - 7:00 p.m.—Bridge and Pinochle Tournament, College Union International Room
 - 7:00 p.m.—MAC Swimming Championships, Helfferich Hall
 - 8:00 p.m.—Coffeehouse: Col-

- lege Union
 - 6:00 p.m.—12:00 noon Sat.—Volleyball Marathon to benefit Special Olympics, sponsored by Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Helfferich Hall.
- Saturday, Feb. 23
 - 11:00 a.m.—MAC Swimming Championships (trials), Helfferich Hall
 - 2:00 p.m.—Gymnastics: Naval Academy, Lock Haven; Helfferich Hall
 - 7:00 p.m.—MAC Swimming Championships, Helfferich Hall

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The View From Here A Senior Perspective

"Aren't you a senior this year?" asks yet another inadequate conversationalist.

Should I respond? Perhaps by feigning partial deafness I can avoid the inevitable waffling explanations of my fabricated plans.

"Yes? I thought so", smugly smiles my questioner, "what are your plans?"

Hey, look, you tell me. I don't have any. That's right. Believe it or not I haven't been corresponding with IBM in order to be considered for a spot as a bright young executive in their new Dallas complex.

No, I haven't spent \$357 to take my GRE's and have them sent to 24 assorted Grad schools. Believe it or not, you see before you a senior in college, who has yet to begin the rough draft of her resume.

I can't say that I haven't given this whole graduation thing some thought. I did go in and ask for an advisor two weeks ago. The guy I picked even knows my name.

Say, why should I worry? After all, I'll be a "College Graduate". B.A.'s in English don't grow on trees. I could always take a typing course and become a secretary. The only problem is finding a boss who can hold a 5 foot ten inch secretary on his lap without getting a hernia.

I admit to being cynical and perhaps slightly unfair to all the go-getters who have their recommendations, resumes, awards, 4-point-ohs, and work experiences tucked neatly under their belts. Okay, I'll confess. I'm insanely jealous. But at the same time I feel somewhat justified in being who I am, where I am and what I am.

I can't function methodically. I don't plot relationships with people in terms of brownie points and "connections" for future use. I've tried my hand at being an RA and writing for the New Hampshire. I didn't like writing inci-

dent reports and I have trouble with deadlines. I was a rotten RA (in some respects) and I am a sporadic, if not erratic, journalist.

But the point is, that I did gain something from these experiences. Insight? Compassion? A chance to unlock doors? The ability to write leads? Just what counts.....?

So, how about you? Yes, you, inquisitive person, who will be here a year or more after I have been thrown out to face the "Real World"? Just because "it" is upon me in the near future, and you still have three semesters worth of grace, doesn't give you the exclusive rights to inquiry.

I see. Lab internship this summer? Already looking into fellowships, grad schools, job prospects, interview-training, resume writing?

Sounds kind of nice. Maybe there's security in it.

As for me, I'm weary of time measured out in semesters. Tired of beer-talk, test-talk, and finals-talk, of passing and failing. I'm tired of little people running for little offices and making a big deal out of it. I'm tired of tiny concerns and of homework that denies me an hour to read a book-just for me-without asking too many questions. Tired of note-taking.....

Maybe I can pull something together to present to "Them" once I leave "here" but so far I've been too busy living my "Now."

It's perfectly all right to ask me that question. That question I've come to expect and dread. But, please don't press me too hard for an answer-a truthful one, at any rate. I'm expecting the answer myself any day now. Perhaps it will come in the form of a divine relation. Or maybe it will come in the mail.

Jamie Batson
University of New Hampshire
campus newspaper

The Grizzly Top Ten



Compiled by Martin Katz

Voted by pollsters Rick Alderfer, Pete Messner, Frank Shannon, Tom Taraschi, Gary Delong, Joe Marilino, Scott Krieger, Bill Petersen, Larry Fetterman and Marty Katz

This week's poll	Pts
1. DePaul (10)	100
2. Louisville	83
3. Oregon State	69
4. Syracuse	65
5. Kentucky	62
6. Maryland	46
7. St. John's N.Y.	43
8. L.S.U.	31
9. Ohio State	12
10. Notre Dame	9

Other teams receiving votes — Purdue, Weber St., Iowa, Temple, North Carolina, Villanova, Long Island U., Clemson, Missouri, Georgetown, Muds, St. Joseph's (Pa.), Tulsa and Rider.

Spiders

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High School, and follows in his brother Gary's footsteps, who captained last year's wrestling team.

At 158 lbs. is freshman Dave Whitlock, who has wrestled at a class too heavy for him, but has come through with some surprising efforts this season.

Sophomore Steve deDufour has had a 7-4 season to date at the 167 lb. class, and placed second in the Baptist Bible Tournament. Bob Citta, another sophomore is 6-5 at the heavyweight spot. Bob won second place in the Baptist Bible tournament, and placed third at Lebanon Valley. George Weeks mans the 177 lbs. class this year, and the 118 and 190 lb. classes are unfilled.

The wrestlers have fondly titled themselves the "spider-wrestlers" in honor of their spider-like former national champ coach, and it looks like "spider wrestling" could be heading for a winning season.

Basketball Downs K-town

by Jean Morrison

The Women's Varsity Basketball team defeated Kutztown State College on February 7. Leading scorers for Ursinus were freshman Jan Gable, with 10 points, and senior Jan Zanger, with nine. U.C. played strong and solid in dominating KSC the whole game.

The Bears started the game with excellent play, showing a strong defense. One crucial factor that led to a large lead was Ursinus' press. The girls worked it perfectly, producing many steals and a 13 point lead at the 12 minute mark, 17-4. The Bears dominated the game, controlling the boards and sinking a high percentage of their shots. By the end of the half, Ursinus was up by 24, 41-17.

The second half was a little slow for the Bears. Their play was a bit flat until the 11 minute mark. Ursinus started to pick up producing several fast breaks. U.C. soon put the game out of reach for Kutztown utilizing good defense and quick passing. Ursinus finished the game for the win, 62-48.

The Women's JV Basketball team also pulled out a win over Freshman Carol Jankauskas was Ursinus' leading scorer with 17 points. Senior Leigh Straub and freshman Janine Taylor both ended the game with 14 points each. The Bears played the best game of their season due to a solid defense and a quick offense.

Ursinus started the first half on the top of their game. Unfortunately, so did Kutztown, as both teams played a tight game. At the six minute mark U.C. started to pull away due mainly to the solid play of every member of the team. At halftime U.C. had a comfortable edge, 31-23.

The second half proved to be a rebounding show of Straub and Jankauskas as they totally dominated both the offensive and defensive boards. Senior Sue Kelley and freshman Rosie Naab both showed good ball control and passes. Taylor played very aggressively and pumped in several nice shots. Ursinus had total control of the game and took the win by a score of 64-51.

The next game is at home against Drexel tomorrow.

MAC Championships

by Tracy Nadzak

Waves will soon be lapping in the Ursinus College Pool, as twenty five men's and women's teams converge next weekend to battle out the Middle Atlantic Conference Swimming and Diving Championships. The divers will lead off the competition Thursday, February 21, at 7:00 p.m. Besides the hopeful boost from three male contenders, a crucial climax should mount as senior Patti Strohecker attempts to defend her 1979 MAC championship title.

The swimmers take-off on Friday and Saturday morning for preliminary events, and wind up each day with finals at 7:00 p.m. Men's strength should lie with junior Matt Flack, a steady performer in the Butterfly and Individual Medley events. A woman to watch is junior Kris Hollstein, who has been a consistent place finisher in the distance races for regular season meets.

This is the first year that Ursinus has hosted the MAC Championships, and the teams need your support to make this weekend a success.

Placement Recruiting Schedule

- February 15 - Merck & Company — Interviewer's Name unknown — 9:00-5:00
- February 18 - Firestone Tire & Rubber — G.A. Bosler & R.M. Myers — 9:00-4:30
- February 19 - B.F. Goodrich — Gene Carroll — 9:00-5:00
- February 20 - Union Oil Co. of Calif. — G.V. Curran — 9:00-5:00
- February 21 - Aetna (Group Div.) — Beverly Thompson — 10:00-4:30
- February 22 - Mutual Benefit Life Ins. Co. — Interviewer's name unknown — 9:00-4:30
- February 25 - LaSalle College MBA Program — Richard Walsh — 10:00-3:00

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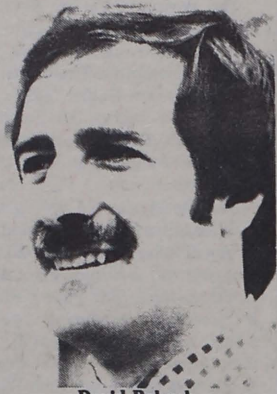
Lacrosse Looking Good

by Mike Chiarappa

After two years of hard work and learning, it appears Ursinus Men's Lacrosse is finally coming into its own. Under the fine leadership of Coach Dave Rebeck, the team made great gains last year. The interest and dedication he displayed was just what the team needed, and the enthusiasm he instilled has carried on into this year's season.

This year Coach Rebeck will be assisted by two new coaches — Dr. Robert Weber and Mr. Greg Wenhold. Dr. Weber is a podiatrist from Trappe, and a native of Uniondale, New York. Greg Wenhold is a local minister, and a native of Abington, Pennsylvania. He is also a member of the Ursinus Class of 1975. Both of these coaches come from areas which are hotbeds for lacrosse, and the knowledge and insight they have to offer is going to be instrumental in the development of lacrosse at Ursinus.

Offensively, the team should be more potent than ever. Attackmen Rob Randelman (one of the



David Rebeck "Founding Fathers" and commonly referred to as "the Chancellor") Bruce Kuo, and Mike Chiarappa all return to the roster. These three should work together quite well, since they all played together last season.

But the key to Ursinus lacrosse success lies in the midfield position. If the midfield lines rally this year, it could be the extra one-two punch the team needs. Midfielders Ross "Cookie" Schwalm,

Scott Garrison, Tom Walter, and Bob Pfeiffer make up the "old guard," and their experience and dedication is vital to the success of this year's squad.

The defense speaks for itself. It has earned a reputation for hard hitting which is matched by few of our opponents. Bill White, Larry Campanali, Marty Sullivan and Mark "Colonel" Sanders constitute the core of this defense. The intensity which Bill White exhibits is matched by few on the team. Last year's goaltender, Kevin Burke, who had an exceptionally good first season, will share his duties with freshman Rodger Ferguson.

This article will be followed up with profiles on some of the new players who have joined the roster. There are some very exciting rookie prospects, and they are going to make this year's season a memorable one. You don't have to go to Baltimore or Long Island to see a good game of lacrosse. Just come on down to Patterson Field at Ursinus College this spring to see the action.

Half way through season . . .

Spider Wrestler Line-up

by John O'Neill

The 1980 wrestling team is currently half way through this season with a 5-6-1 record. Head coach Dale Irwin is confident that the worst of the season is past, and that the team should come out ahead in the win column in their remaining five matches. Irwin has coached the team for six seasons, with a record of 28-38-1 before this year. He is assisted by Rollie Ripp, who is in his second year of coaching at Ursinus. Last year was the team's best season to date, with a 9-8-1 record. Several wrestlers return from last year's squad, and are again carrying the team to a productive season.

Greg Gifford mans the 126 lb. spot, and is the most accomplished wrestler on the team. His 37-0 record in college career dual meets speaks for itself. Gifford won first place medals in both the Lebanon Valley and Baptist Bible College tournaments this season. Last year he placed third in the Middle Atlantic Conference tournaments and went on to the

nationals in California. Gifford almost met his match this year, though, when he scrapped by Drexel's nationally rated Bill Cona, 5-4.

Rick Moser returned after missing last year's season with a collapsed lung. Rick is a senior, and compiled a 43-11-1 record overall in his first two years here. In '78 he went to the nationals after placing third in the MAC's. Rick mans the 134 lb. spot this year and is 6-6 this far.

Dave Viola returned from last year's season to wrestle at the 142 lb. spot. Dave is 9-3 this season and placed second in the Baptist Bible tournament. In the Lebanon Valley quad meet he had his finest day, pinning two of four opponents and decisioning a third. Dave has had a tough time this season with injuries this year, dislocating his finger, losing various teeth, and injuring his ankle.

Freshman Scott Browning mans the 150 lb. spot and is 5-6-1. He wrestled at Cherry Hill East

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The FUNdamentals of Freestyle Skiing

By Matt Kurlan

Are you a skier suffering from one track skis? It happens to all skiers at some time. You're carving your way down the favorite intermediate trail, and suddenly you realize you've been tracing the same path for the past four runs. Your skis always seem to follow a single track.

Don't despair, just learn what Carl Wilgus of **Skilling** magazine calls "creative skiing." But what is the newest and most exciting breakthrough in creative skiing?

It's freestyle . . . or what is usually referred to as hotdogging. Freestyle allows the skier to turn any beginner slope into an exciting adventure and become the life of the ski lodge at the same time.

Freestyle skiing is fast becoming the new popular sport for the eighties. In fact, the Tyrolia World Cup Freestyle Competition, held this past January, offered a total of \$40,000 in awards. Since the ballet competition was held at Jack Frost Mountain, I did not hesitate to drive out to see it. Although the competitions included Olympic champions from the United States, Canada and Europe, the atmosphere was remarkably relaxed. The morning before the event started, I saw many of the

competitors spinning and flipping their way down the slopes to the music of their pocket cassette players. It was obvious that they were all having a really good time. Bob Turgen, the one competitor who skied sans poles, gracefully disco danced his way down the mountain to the music on the loudspeakers. Thus, any freestyle skier is just as thrilled with a gentle slope as the steepest moguliest expert trail. In fact, the whole ballet competition was held on Jack Frost's beginner run.

For the most part, the ballet routines included just basic 360 spins, axials, and pole flips. In fact, one of the spectators, evidently mistaking me for a competitor, photographed me imitating a tip roll 360 I had seen one of the pros doing. Although I was just fooling around, I was amazed to discover that I had landed with my skis underneath me. I also came to realize that with a little practice, you can learn some impressive freestyle moves. So, in hopes of learning a few new tricks, I purchased a book on freestyle skiing entitled, appropriately, **Freestyle Skiing** by John Mohan, et al. From this book, I learned the proper course of development for new freestyle techniques.

The preliminary steps to learn-

ing freestyle is, of course, exercise. Most essential recommendations include doing some situps and front and side leg lifts about three times a week in addition to jumping rope for a few minutes each day. A regular exercise program will help you stay in condition to learn new maneuvers and develop greater endurance for impacts with the mountain's powdery surface.



As for skis, the shorter the better. Your skis should be short enough to be manipulated easily, but long enough to support your weight. As a rule of thumb, they should just about reach your chin. Most ballet skis also have a turned up trailing edge to prevent the ski from catching the snow when traveling backwards.

But don't let the thought of skiing backwards frighten you because that's only the first and easiest step in learning freestyle. In fact, my mother often skis backwards without even trying! You need not learn backwards parallel, just the ability to execute some smooth backwards wedge turns should suffice. Next, learn to turn (going forwards again) on your downhill ski only. It takes a knack, but once you can do this, you are ready to learn your first real freestyle maneuver, the basic wedge 360 spin.

Begin a 360 like you would begin a regular turn, but give an extra push with the downhill ski and pole. The momentum should carry you around until you are facing uphill. Next, step downhill with the ski you are turning onto while shifting your weight to this ski and using your poles for balance. Then simply bring around the other ski and continue sliding until you are facing downhill again.

Ultimately, it should look like a continuous fluid motion. If you have any trouble, just ask the next skier you see doing one for help. That's how I first learned. Nevertheless, I would also advise referring to an illustrated book on the subject. The book I use, **Freestyle Skiing**, contains step by step instructions for a variety of ballet and aerial maneuvers. Once you have mastered the wedge 360, you can progress to the tip drag 360, the one ski 360, the crossover 360, and eventually the pole flip and the legbreaker. You can even invent your own style trick, after all it is freestyle skiing.

Although freestyle skiing is just in its developing stages, future competitions are bound to reveal some extraordinarily creative ballet techniques. Presently, many slalom and aerial competitors ballet ski just for fun. Perhaps future competitions will combine all three aspects of creative skiing into one event.

As freestyle skiing rises to prominence in the sports world, it will also gain commercial interest. So don't wait to follow a sports fad, pioneer a new one. Why not add some excitement to your ski trails and get more miles to the ski by learning freestyle skiing. Then when it becomes popular, you'll be one of the well respected experts.

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