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S. F. A. R. C. Review

By GEORGE GEIST

S.F.A.R.C., the Student Faculty Administration Relations Committee, opened another year of monthly meetings yesterday with a newly elected student representation group consisting of Judie James, Bob Simon, Liz Puzio and Steve Lange.

The committee, S.F.A.R.C., serves as a forum for discussion of campus issues and in this manner contributes to U.S.G.A. action as an advisory and communications committee open to the entire campus. During the past semester, S.F.A.R.C. in particular was utilized as a tool for direct communication to the administration in regard to dormitory rules and their enforcement. Two sessions in Bomberger Hall, in which several hundred students and several faculty members participated, exemplified S.F.A.R.C.'s role as a forum committee.

In addition to the constitutionally required representation from the faculty, administration, student body, and Board of Directors, S.F.A.R.C. regularly features a repre-

sentative from the Financial Aid Office, Mr. Switzer, Mr. Klee, the head of the Maintenance Department, Mr. Broadbent, the chief librarian, and a member from U.S.G.A. With their direct assistance in providing information, S.F.A.R.C. has made public facts pertaining to: the major renovation of Brodbeck Hall, to be undertaken in the summer of '76, as part of the ongoing improvement of dormitories; the membership of Myrin Library to PALINET, a computer-based cataloging system which will replace the old Union Catalog system; the extent of damages incurred in the new men's dorms in the first semester; and the report of the \$400 increase in tuition for 1976-77.

Also discussed during these previous S.F.A.R.C. sessions were: the desire by the students for more communication with members of the administration, the alleged inadequate review of rules and customs with candidates for admission and those who are accepted and decide to come to Ursinus, and the question of change in the academic calendar year.

Voters Guide to Pa. Primary

By STEPHEN M. LANGE

The Pennsylvania Primary Election is April 27, 1976. Parties will choose candidates for U. S. Senate, U. S. House of Representatives, both houses of the Pennsylvania Legislature and delegates to the 1976 National Conventions. The ballots will be filled to overflowing — literally. The Philadelphia Board of Elections speculated earlier this year that it would take two machines just to list all the candidates. Voters may be overwhelmed by the sheer number of candidates, and may feel that they are voting in a vacuum, not having available to them information about each candidate.

Information is available and here are some of the sources:

1. COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS: Each major political party establishes a County Committee and Headquarters. In Montgomery County the Democratic Committee's headquarters are located at 404 DeKalb Street, Norristown, and the Republicans' at 625 Swede Street, Norristown. The Democratic organization has available information about all of the Democratic candidates for President, U. S. Senate, Congress, and Pa. Legislature. Ms. Marie Zangle handles the outflow of information about the Dems.

The Republicans have not yet compiled their information; they expect to have information available by early April.

2. AMERICANS FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION: The ADA is an independent organization which is not associated with either party. It annually endorses candidates for office. This year they expect to endorse candidates for all offices except U. S. President. These endorsements will be available from the Philadelphia office on South 13th Street in mid-March.

3. COMMON CAUSE: Common Cause is also a non-partisan organization. They publish a "Guide for Judging Candidates" with 9 points that are important in assessing candidates and a periodical for members which analyzes vital national and local issues. Dr. Robert V. Cogger is a local representative of Common Cause and can supply information about publications, literature and student membership. Student membership is available for an annual fee of \$7.00 which includes a subscription to the association's publications and all op-

portunities available to members including input in the formulation of policy.

4. LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS: The League is one of the oldest and most effective non-partisan organizations. It publishes, before each election, a "Voter's Guide" which contains information about candidates including biographical data, voting information, and positions on issues both supplied by the candidates themselves and taken from public records. The Pennsylvania Chapter of the League of Women Voters is located at the Gimbel Building in Philadelphia. Their phone number is WA 2-4499.

5. NEWSPAPERS: In addition to news and feature stories about elections and candidates, all of the major Philadelphia dailies publish the voting records of elected officials representing districts in Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey. These are published as the data becomes available through the legislative records.

6. REGISTRATION: You can not vote unless you are registered. In Pennsylvania there is no mail registration and one must either register at his county courthouse or with a "traveling registrar." Traveling registrars visit local schools, fire houses, and shopping centers before the election. Your local county board of elections can supply you with a list of dates and times you can register near your home or school. Registration closes 30 days before the election.

7. ABSENTEE BALLOTS: Ursinus will be in session during the Pennsylvania Primary. Voters may cast their ballots by mail if they apply for and receive an absentee ballot from their county courthouse. It is necessary to write your county board of elections to apply for an absentee ballot. You will then receive an application which in turn must be mailed back. This rather clumsy operation, which requires three mailings on your part and two on the county's, takes about three to four weeks. It is important to leave enough time to complete your ballot by the election.

These are just some of the sources of information available to voters. If there is information which you need but is unavailable, students George Geist and Steve Lange, Dr. Pancoast and Dr. Reed are available on campus and can help you find what you need.

ATTENTION!

Applications are presently being accepted toward the selection of an editor-in-chief for *The Ursinus Weekly* for the year 1976-77. A letter of purpose issuing a statement containing past qualifications and philosophies concerning plans for the newspaper must be submitted to the editor for review by *The Weekly* Board of Control. The statements should be given to Ruth von Kummer on or before March 16, 1976. Responsibilities for this position include: management and participation in a weekly lay-out, supervision of all submitted copy, proofreading of individual articles and the final copies of *The Weekly* before printing is undertaken and various other business matters. Any questions will be answered by the editor. Those interested should apply immediately.

Books Donated To Graterford

Ursinus College students and faculty members recently contributed over 500 hundred books to the Graterford Prison Library. This donation increased the library's collection by almost 10%. The book drive on campus was conducted by the Newman Society, an organization of Catholic students.

Mr. Terry Clark, librarian at Graterford, was particularly grateful for the texts on philosophy and psychology. He said that educational programs at the Institution cover subjects from astronomy to zoology and include training programs for dental technicians and mechanics.

Clark said, "The Graterford library has only 6000 books in its collection, fewer than four books for each of the 1600 inmates. A very limited budget forces the library to depend heavily on gifts such as the one received from Ursinus."

Those interested in giving books to the prison library may contact the office of the Superintendent, Box 244, Graterford, PA 19426.

Bloodmobile Results

The Red Cross Bloodmobile on Monday, March 1 confirmed that 97 donors took part in the drive. Our quota for Monday was 150 pints, so unfortunately the college did not fulfill its quota of 250 pints. (100 pints were collected in the fall)

Why the poor turnout? Too many tests? Disinterest? Fear? Poor communication? No '76'er tickets?

It's unfortunate that a college of 1100 can not collect 250 pints of blood in two drives to insure the college of full coverage for a year. Send direct suggestions and comments to APO Fraternity.

International Dessert Festival Tomorrow

By NANCY WEATHERWAX

One of the highlights of Bicentennial Week at the Union will be the International Dessert Festival, which is to take place from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. this Friday. The desserts aren't guaranteed to hold out for the entire two hours, so be sure to arrive early!

There are about fifty different dessert entries from France, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Sweden, the Netherlands, the Ukraine, Italy, Ireland, Scotland, Greece, and Latvia. Americans' entries include Pennsylvania Dutch, early American, and Appalachian specialties. You can purchase the desserts with \$.25 and \$.50 tickets, which will (Continued on Page 2, Col. 5)

Board of Directors Meet

The Board of Directors of Ursinus College met last Friday, March 5, 1976. The business transacted consisted of reports offered by various committees that were formed and in the process of conducting their respective functions.

The meeting incorporated the following matters: First was the Report of the President which included the mention of an Advisory Committee on College Priorities, which will be discussed in an article in a later issue. The President also gave a presentation of the salaries of the professors at Ursinus, including the base salary figures and the total annual compensation. No comparison with salaries of other schools was offered; however, such a study was made last fall, Pres. Pettit said.

Also given were the Treasurer's Report detailing college expenses, a report by the Committee on Government and Instruction given by Dr. Gladfelter (a former Temple University president), the report of the Handbook Committee on their proposal for revision, the report by the Executive and Finance Committee and the statement by the Committee on Buildings and Grounds summarizing various conservation sums, \$20,000 for a reduction in oil costs and \$9,000 for electricity conservation measures.

The Board Committee formed to work with faculty and students announced that they had participated in meetings with both groups. No

specific plans for future action were proposed. However, they mentioned that whereas the Committee has come to no terms of "unanimity" in a position concerning the faculty's views, they do experience feelings of "unanimity" in regard to the subjects discussed by the students.

A report of changes which have taken place in Myrin library will be presented in more extensive detail in a future issue. Other topics discussed were a report on the Committee for Honorary Degrees to be offered at Commencement, and the report on Development at the College.

Finally, the Committee on Athletics discussed the decisions made for next year's Athletic Department. Randy Davidson will replace Everett Bailey who is retiring as Director of Athletics. Richard J. Whately will no longer coach the Ursinus football team. Next year, the position will be filled by Lawrence Karas, who coaches men's varsity tennis and teaches physical education.

Also, on March 5 at the Board meeting, President William S. Pettit announced his plans for retirement as the president of the college. The decision will be effective on November 1, 1976 and he hopes the successor may be inaugurated at the Founder's Day ceremony. As of yet, no procedure for the selection of the new president has been established.

Scotland Calls

Since 1957 the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia has sent eighteen students to the University of St. Andrews, eleven to the University of Aberdeen, and seven to the University of Edinburgh for their junior year. Ten colleges, nine of them in Pennsylvania, are invited to submit the name of one candidate each year. Thus far Ursinus has had eleven winners, the University of Pennsylvania ten, and Bucknell six, and other institutions from one to four. The Scholarship will cover all living expenses during term time, all academic expenses, and transportation to and from Britain.

The Scholarship is open to male American citizens and preference is given to those of Scottish descent and to those who come from the Philadelphia area. The candidate should be in the first quarter of his class, should be active in extra-curricular activities, and be highly regarded by his fellow students and his faculty.

Any male sophomore student who is interested in applying for a St. Andrew's Scholarship should see Dean Lloyd Jones in the Office of Admissions before March 15. A candidate from Ursinus will then be interviewed by the Scholarship Committee of the St. Andrew's Society along with candidates from the other colleges and universities. The selection will be made before the end of April.

There are two people on the Ursinus Campus now who have been recipients of the Scholarship. David Liscom, a senior political science major, spent his junior year at the University of St. Andrews and Mr. Ross Doughty, Instructor in History, was also at St. Andrew's for his junior year. George Bause, class of '77, is currently in attendance at the University of Edinburgh as a St. Andrew's Scholar.

Sincerely yours,
H. Lloyd Jones, Jr.
Associate Dean of Admissions

Why They Leave

Just about everyone who enters Ursinus as a freshman expects to graduate four years later. However, each year a significant number of students drop-out or transfer to another college for a variety of reasons. A sizable number of students leave because of academic dismissal due to poor grades. Others enter the service, get married and take on family responsibilities, find a job and postpone further education for one or more years because of financial need or simply to gain practical experience, or choose to withdraw for some other personal reason.

Of particular interest to the college are those who decide to leave Ursinus for some other college. According to Dr. James P. Craft, Jr., Assistant Dean of the College, 81 students have withdrawn from Ursinus so far during the 1975-76 academic year and of these stu-

dents 12 have transferred to other institutions of higher learning. In 1974-75 there were 162 withdrawals of which 57 were transfers and in 1973-74 there was a peak of 202 withdrawals with 73 transfers. According to Dr. Craft the figures for this academic year to date probably represent about 80% of all those who will leave this year. The high point which occurred in 1973-74 is viewed by Dr. Craft as being a normal part of the wave pattern which phenomena such as withdrawals from college often follow. Also, a significant change was made in the women's dormitory regulations in the academic year immediately following the peak year.

When a student leaves Ursinus Dr. Craft asks him or her to come for a personal interview in which the student's reasons for leaving the college are discussed. This is (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

Editorial Ruth L. von Kummer

Further Censorship!

The word "censorship" has been spoken in the same breath with *The Weekly* on several occasions. Allegedly, it has discouraged some people from writing and submitting various opinions. Sadly enough pieces of significant news have not been given to the paper in the event that *The Weekly* would not publish them.

At times in the past proposed articles have been opposed by some in the interest of better judgment. *The Weekly* does not print personal comments except in the form of Letters to the Editor, which must be signed. However, all submitted articles and opinions are given consideration, providing they do not violate the principles of responsible journalism.

President William S. Pettit has recently confirmed, in answer to the editor's question, that he will not censor *The Weekly* in any capacity except in cases of outright slander, which do merit editorial restraint. Those people who wish to actively contribute to the policies of the college should attempt to present their views clearly and without an intention toward libel. But they should present them!

Less Money For Bio-Med!

A recent federal study on biomedical research was recently submitted to the Presidents' Biomedical Research Panel. Entitled "The Place of Bio-medical Science in Medicine," the paper was interested in the effect of declining federal monies on biomedical research. The focus of the paper was the central issue facing university medical centers and science departments of university schools conducting research—namely frozen budgets for the past two years. The authors feel that this condition will certainly lead to depletion of the next generation of biomedical scientists.

"The problem is the next generation of scientists who must be . . . at work within the next decade. As things stand, the emergence of this generation is still a matter of doubt . . . budgets have been effectively frozen during the past two or three years due to the general economic problems . . . From the point of view of the youngest people, those just entering scientific careers and those just behind them trying to make up their minds, the future of biomedical science looks indeed bleak."

To rectify this situation the panel recommends investing a moderate amount of money into this research system to tide over this generation and to assure a continuity in developments in the field.

An interesting aside to the report was that contrary to popular belief, research funds do not subsidize the educational part of the medical centers; that is, the medical schools are self-supporting, independent of research funding.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BESIDES LACKING QUALITY

To the Editor,

I believe that the time has come for someone to complain about the shortages of food which occur in Wismer Hall. As often as two or three times a week, our waitress returns to the table with the news that the kitchen has no more of a certain item on the menu. We have complained to the dining hall committee and to Mr. Dempsey himself, but have seen no change in the situation.

Last week, when told one day that there was no more pizza, two students from my table went to the kitchen to inquire into the problem. They were told by Mr. Dempsey that that was the first time in several weeks that the food had run out. Either Mr. Dempsey was not giving them the straight story, or there is a large communication gap somewhere. The obvious question which arises is: If the kitchen has indeed run out of food only once in the last several weeks, why are we so often told that the food is unavailable? We are certain that our waitress does everything possible to obtain food on these occasions.

I read with interest the dining hall committee minutes of February 10 in which Mr. Dempsey stated that there was sufficient food available for the Oriental Dinner. My table was told that there would be no seconds on several of the items at the very beginning of the meal. Many of the portions served were hardly adequate for the eight people present.

This past Sunday evening we were told that the manicotti had run out. One person at the table had not even been served.

I feel that a situation such as this is totally unacceptable, especially in light of the constantly increasing room and board costs that we are being asked to pay.

Very truly yours,
SAMUEL S. LAUCKS II

A CONCERNED OPINION

To the Editor of the Ursinus Weekly:

The recent announcement by President Pettit of his intention to retire next November raises an important question: How is the next President of Ursinus College going to be chosen?

I think that the selection of a new President for this college is a matter so important that the participation of all segments of the college: Board of Directors, students, and faculty, is necessary. I think that the best way of involving all three segments in a united effort to find a successor to President Pettit is to set up a special committee to the Board of Directors with voting representatives from the Board, the faculty, and the student body. Ideally, this committee would report its recommendations directly to the Board, at a meeting where the representatives of all segments of the college would be invited to attend and participate.

I don't believe that the students are going to be satisfied with a replay of 1970, when no sincere effort was made to consult them on their opinions and desires for a new President. Since that time, we have become very aware that the President of the college, because he is responsible for the manner in which the policy decisions of the Board are carried out on a day-to-day basis, exercises a tremendous amount of influence on the way in which we live at Ursinus. I think that we students, who collectively pay over three million dollars a year to Ursinus College, are justified in insisting on a voice in the selection of the next President of Ursinus College.

I certainly hope that the Board of Directors will seize the opportunity that is offered to them by present circumstances to help re-establish an atmosphere of trust and goodwill between the students of Ursinus College and the institution of Ursinus College. True goodwill between students and the

administration has become an increasingly rare commodity in the recent past, but meaningful participation of students in picking the next President of the college can change that.

Sincerely,
ROBERT SIMON

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THE ACCLAIMED STUDENT-BOARD COMMITTEE THOSE WHO ARE NOT FORTUNATE SOULS!

Dear Editors:

When I read the *Weekly* account of the Board-Student Committee meeting, I was deeply moved, and when I read Mr. Guest's immortal words that Ursinus should be a "force for good" I truly wept, for I have sinned. Mine has been the life of a damned soul.

MEMOIRS OF A DAMNED SOUL

Anonymous

I was born to the decadence of the city January 17, 1957 at Mount Sinai Hospital. This connection with heathens was to haunt me the rest of my days. My parents were both immigrants, you can see how I came to be a godless un-American. It wasn't my fault; it was my environment. My parents, after becoming citizens, began to get in with the wrong people. They became Democrats and voted for Adlai Stevenson instead of Eisenhower. Their sins compounded. My earliest memories was of my father beating me with a stick, forcing me to listen to Martin Luther King and read the blasphemy of Jews, Catholics, liberals and other heretics.

We lived in Philadelphia and the godlessness of that metropolis had a severe and lasting effect on me. I used to take the trolley to the art museum just to look at the nudes by Gauguin. By 13 I was hooked. I stood on street corners on Market Street and gazed at the girls, getting high on thighs. I couldn't help myself. My upbringing was just too much. At fifteen I was on hard stuff, looking at girlie ads in *McCalls*.

By sixteen my parents became irresponsible, and took leave of their senses, my father got a subscription to *Playboy* and my mother joined *Hadassah*. They were beyond hope. I took to liquor and drank hard stuff like Manashevitz and beer. I used to sit and get stoned listening to devil inspired music like Joan Baez.

Then when I was a senior in high school I realized I couldn't go on. I had to rise above my decadent upbringing and find Salvation. Ursinus was my only hope. This sun rising in the east was a solitary islet of sanity among a sea of colleges like F&M and Bryn Mawr who had chapters of the Young Democrats and Hillel.

So I came to Ursinus and really tried to be Saved. I started associating with Young Republicans and put an inspirational picture of Zacharius Ursinus on my wall. I proudly stood at Convocation and sang G-d Bless America in a halting basso. I had never sung the song but the words came—slowly at first then more quickly. A sign!!! I replaced my Gauguin prints with pictures by Norman Rockwell. I began to read the heavy philosophers like Norman Vincent Peale. But my reach was shorter than my grasp. I fell into drinking, I was put to shame at Suite 200. I joined the C.S.S.R. and reverted to my former godlessness. I fell from Heavens Grace and began to daydream of delis on Bustleton Avenue. The Devil tempted me with the odor of Kosher salamis. In a stupor I smashed all my Kate Smith records and burned my picture of Ronald Reagan. Salvation escaped me.

But Mr. Guest, you have inspired me. Even now I want to try again. Someday I will be a saved soul too.

By
STEPHEN M. LANGE

FROM AN OUTSIDE OBSERVER

Dear Ursinus,

Upon receiving a recent copy of the *Ursinus Weekly* in the mail yesterday, my attention was immediately drawn to an article concerning the 2/23 meeting of the Student-Board of Directors Liaison Communications Committee. Needless to say, it was an enlightening and highly amusing article. I was especially delighted to see that the so-called "Ursinus philosophy" remains intact, in spite of its totally outdated and irrational nature. Indeed, Albert Camus would be proud to see absurdity existing in such a pure and unadulterated form, completely untainted by even the slightest degree of realism or maturity on the part of the Ursinus administration. In view of this tremendous achievement, I can say nothing but "congratulations!" to the Ursinus Board of Directors.

For those of you who had the terrible misfortune to miss this stimulating article, allow me to point out some of the highlights for you. First of all, it was noted that the Board Committee completely ignored the "persistent attempts by the student representatives to convey the opposing sentiments of the majority of students on campus" concerning visitation rights, the use of alcoholic beverages, etc. Well, that's not really surprising, as it's apparent that the Committee members do not consider students to be an important part of Ursinus in any respect. So it goes.

Next came the Committee's dismissal of current student dissatisfaction on the grounds that "students for decades at Ursinus have survived under rules even more stringent than those presently in existence." With logic like that, one could easily "justify" virtually anything by referring to a time "when things were worse," such as during the Spanish Inquisition, or perhaps the Salem witch-hunts. Ah, those were the good old days—students didn't question their administrators then, even if these administrators were wrong! So it goes.

Then came Mr. Guest's assertion that "the forces of alcohol and extra-curricular sexual activity are detrimental to the family unit; consequently Ursinus has a responsibility to prevent such abuses." (Incidentally, my initial reaction to this was to consider suggesting to Mr. Guest that sexual activity be incorporated into the regular curriculum, thereby eliminating the evil "force . . . of extra-curricular sexual activity . . ."). Perhaps, Mr. Guest. But the forces of ignorance, immaturity, and irrationality are immeasurably more damaging to all concerned, and these should be dealt with first—the others will then take care of themselves, if you'll just let them.

You cannot force maturity or morality onto your students, Ursinus. You must allow them the freedom to acquire these traits on their own, while providing a minimal amount of intelligent and sensitive guidance—NOT unthinking and irrational repression, as you have been, by your own admission, "for decades."

Grow up, Ursinus.

Sincerely,
DALE E. BUONOCORE
Class of '75

International Festival

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be sold at the door. Coffee and tea will be provided free.

Recorded music from Greece, Spain, Arabia, Latvia, France, Israel, Italy, China, India, and Hungary will be played. Live music on the dulcimer and piano will also be performed. Some people will be wearing national costumes. The room will be decorated with the flags of the countries whose foods are on sale, and display cases in the Union lobby are to hold travel books loaned by Dr. and Mrs. Levesque and some international cook books.

A visit to the International Desert Festival should prove to be a delicious ending to a week of mid-term exams.

ProTheatre Stages Richard III

By ALAN K. STETLER

Staging one of Shakespeare's plays is a formidable task, even for professional actors; but ProTheatre, under the direction of Joyce Henry, tackled Richard III last week and did an admirable, and at times outstanding job.

A number of things went into making the production as good as it was. The set, designed by Herb Moskovitz, was the best that has been seen in the Bearpit in recent years. It was functional enough to be used throughout the play, but with a few minor prop additions was able to provide the proper mood for each scene.

Music from Mahler's Second Symphony was used at appropriate moments to heighten the mood, (this is a first for the Bearpit since the installation of a sound system a few weeks ago) and was a welcome addition except that at a few points it was too loud—at times it was difficult to hear the actors.

The show was done in modern dress, with the costumes being in shades of gray, black and blue. There was no color (except for Richard) which created an effective mood while also helping to bring the actors closer to the audience.

The action moved quickly from act to act with a short intermission after the dramatic scene in Act III where Richard dooms Lord Hastings to death. Pacing was very quick during the first thirty minutes of the play when characters and situations were being set up, but then the pace slowed considerably; perhaps it was for contrast, but it seemed to be almost too slow for it tended to make the audience restless. The quick pace resumed after the intermission and stayed that way until the end of the show. Richard's fall from power is swift and devastating.

Technical effects were used to great advantage in furthering the idea of a modern setting. Unfortunately the night I attended

(Tuesday) not everything was in working order. The opening scene that night lacked Richard watching the acceptance speech of Edward IV on television, as a result when a telephone was used later on in the play it came as a shock and seemed totally out of place. With everything working, however, the desired effect is very impressive.

Act Five with all of its problems was handled extremely well, in fact in many ways it was the most outstanding act of the whole play. Within the limitations of the Bearpit the battle scene was very believable and realistic (especially the blood!). The procession of ghosts was accomplished by having slides of those killed by Richard flashed on a screen while the actors voiced over their lines. This also was not working quite properly on Tuesday night, but still it was effective.

A great deal of the impact of the play depends on the ability of the actors, and in this case a competent group was assembled to carry it off. Dr. Henry along with assistant director Dan Caccia did a great job of making the characters move closer to the audience and bringing out every nuance hidden in the many sly and subtle characterizations.

Among the minor characters a few problems were noted. One difficulty was that Shakespeare's language seemed to be a little too much for them; they didn't get the words out clearly enough. Another problem was that some actors put more into their roles than was necessary in effect crossing that fine line which separates seriousness from caricature.

Not a fault can be found among the major characters however. Richard Gaglio as Richard III performed a demanding role with all the subtlety and slyness that it called for. He maintained the dig-

nity of Richard throughout and brought the action to a high emotional pitch in Act Five with his dramatic death; he achieved it without being maudlin.

Patti Williams as Queen Elizabeth and Rae Blake as Lady Anne were exceptionally good also. In their difficult scenes with Richard they each handled the transformation from hatred for him to meek acceptance in a very realistic way.

Mention must also be made of Steve Prociw as Catesby who did a fine job, and Bob Brancatelli who juggled three roles and made it seem easy. Dr. Henry as Queen Margaret must not be forgotten. Her bone-chilling curses were fantastic—she played it for all it was worth and it was one of the best moments in the early part of the play.

The list of characters is too long to go over individually, but thanks should go to all members of the cast and crew for putting on a fine production.

Union Boosts Bicen Blast

By BRIAN FEGLEY

Monday, March 8th, the College Union initiated a week of festivities saluting our nation's two-hundredth birthday with a coffeehouse featuring American folk music. The program started at 8:30 p.m. and spotlighted "One Way," formerly of "Ben & Eric" fame.

Tuesday the Union ran the Walt Disney movie "Son of Flubber" which has a somewhat tenuous Bicentennial tie-in.

Wednesday evening the Women's Hockey Field was the scene of a most spectacular fireworks display.

On Thursday, the Union played host to a display of Colonial arts, crafts and artifacts including early flintlock weapons, smithing and such.

Friday (tomorrow) the Union will be the site of the most unusual event of all: the International Desert Festival! Fifteen countries, including Israel, Greece, the Ukraine, Latvia, Germany, Hungary, Britain, Italy and France will be represented by those on campus who have an ethnic background (everybody's got an ethnic background). Each country (representatives dressed in national costumes) will supply a morsel of some national dessert (grand total of 50 dishes) for a quarter. Tracey Degenberg will provide live music, and the night will be topped off by the Ursinus National Birthday Cake. Enjoy.

Saturday will climax the festivities with a dance by the rock group "Springfield." To gain admittance to the Helfferich Hall dance, you must wear a HAT! That's International Lid Night. Happy Birthday U.S.A.!

MAC SWIMMING FINALS

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Pool. The Bears won 93 to 38 to close the season with a record of eight wins and three losses. Early won the 100 yard individual medley and broke the Ursinus record in the 100 yard backstroke with a winning time of 2:05.7. Early, Van Pelt, Stettner, and Markley took the medley relay, while the team of Devlin, Geier, Stettner, and Markley equalled the school record in recapturing the freestyle relay. Kern, Markley, Stettner, and Van Pelt finished first in individual events.

An 8-3 record with a second place in the MAC made it a successful season for Ursinus women's swimming. There are only two seniors on the squad, Linda Hebda and Donna Loeffler. Their enthusiasm and leadership will be missed, but next season promises to be even more exciting and successful.

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Richard Gaglio (Richard III) smiles moments after the dramatic climax in Act Five.



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Lady Anne (Rae Blake) seeks revenge on the murderous Richard.

MOVIE REVIEW

"Taxi Driver"

By DON WHITTAKER

After years of watching late night hour movies, monster flicks and all the spine-tingling tele-movies, I had reached the point where I thought I had seen all the fright that could possibly be offered. It took a movie which I initially suspected of being B-grade sex-violence trash to realize how wrong I was. "Taxi Driver" is horrifying. But that needs clarification; it is not the horror of Dracula or beyond the grave, but the horrors of city life and its effect on the mind.

"Taxi Driver" explores the alienation and isolation of one rich man. The horror of the film is found in his distorted perceptions, in his

actions, and particularly in society's reactions. Robert DeNiro's portrayal of Traver, the taxi driver, is astoundingly rich and fulfilling. In the surreal world of after-dark New York, his is a convincing performance. Jodie Foster also does an excellent job portraying a foxy twelve-year-old prostitute, Easy, ("because it's easy to remember"), jaded by the ways of the street.

The film is intricately pieced together and the cinematic techniques were virtually flawless. But what left the audience stunned was a totally unexpected twist ending. All in all, "Taxi Driver" is a stunning movie which leaves a pit in your stomach.

Coffeehouse Rated

By JENNIFER BYERLY

On Saturday, February 28, the Union sponsored an evening of country western/folk/rock music. The material played included anything from Donovan to Johnny Cash, with a sprinkling of original songs written by the lead guitarist.

The group included two men, two guitars (acoustic and electric) and a piano. The guitar work was good, and they were fairly versatile in playing a variety of styles.

I felt that compared to the "country western" selections, their own material was the more enjoyable. More notably, a song called "Caribou," a moving account of a forest fire which occurred a few years ago. These songs were soft and

mellow, usually done with only the acoustic guitar and one voice, and had exceptional lyrics.

All in all, it was a worthwhile way to spend part of a Saturday night.

FORE COACH

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tain of a repair ship in World War II, then spent thirty-five years at ARCO, retiring as Marketing Operations Manager.

Last year, the golf team won ten of sixteen matches. There are four returnees to this season's squad which opens on April 1 against Scranton and Elizabethtown at Limerick.



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Richmond (Andy Gloninger) is crowned as Henry VII, King of England.

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No, this is not an issue of **Sports Illustrated**. With reviews of the MAC swimming championships, the men's basketball season and women's gymnastics, this analysis by the Sports' Staff of the **Ursinus Weekly** with the coverage of men's winter intramurals and women's basketball in the next issue concludes this portion of the '75-'76 Ursinus sports schedule.

Future features on this page of prominence will include interviews with Bob Sieracki (Ursinus' top point scorer in the recent MAC Swimming Championships), Chuck Reese, Coach Karas, (Ursinus' new football coach) and a discussion of the future plans of Coach Warren Fry.

Women's Gymnastics

The Women's Gymnastics Team finished their best season ever with eight wins and four losses. This is a new record in the history of Women's Gymnastics at Ursinus College.

The team improved their team score by twenty points. The previous highest team score was 49.60. This year's highest score was 69.72. Perhaps the greatest victory of the season was against Franklin and Marshall College, 61.8 to 58.9. We lost to them last year by twenty-two points! Another such win was against Frostburg State College, Md.

The team's dramatic improvement is attributed to three outstanding freshmen, Marion Bittin-

ger, Jan Galen, and Ginger Rossnagel. They came to Ursinus College with high school experience and have provided a strong nucleus to the team.

Consistently strong performance from the Co-Captains, Nancy Catalano and Jean Johnson helped to develop the winning season.

Another freshman, Chris Burke, trained very hard and worked into being one of the top four scorers in the floor exercise event.

The other gymnasts who competed during the season and are developing into strong competitors are: Sandy Loeffler, Barb O'Neill, Karen Parenti, and Barb Walcott.

Another happy note to report is that none of the girls are seniors!



MAC Swimming Finals!

By JOE SARACO

The Ursinus women's and men's swim teams climaxed outstanding seasons by finishing second and third respectively in the Middle Atlantic Conference championship meet Saturday, Feb. 28 at Johns Hopkins. The men's 163 points were good enough to place them ahead of Widener and Franklin and Marshall, both of whom were favored over Ursinus. Host Hopkins won with 598 points; Gettysburg was second with 211. The women trailed Hopkins by just five points.

This was only Ursinus' second season of men's varsity swim competition. Last year, the Bears tied Gettysburg for sixth place. The improvement was a result of a supreme effort by a dedicated squad coached by Randy Davidson. Ursinus broke five team records Saturday. Bill Knerr (Fr.) accounted for three. He finished seventh in the 100 yard butterfly (57.6) and 200 yard backstroke (2:15.0, four seconds off his best previous time), and eighth in the 200 yard butterfly (2:12, seven seconds off his best previous time). Dave Hausner's (Sr.) 1:53.4 placed him eighth in the 200 yard free style and set a team record. Hausner anchored the 400 yard freestyle relay team whose time of 3:22.0 broke the school mark by better than three seconds. Tom Sloate (Fr.), Stu Skinner (So.), and Bob Sieracki (Jr.) were the rest of the team which finished fourth. Hausner also finished eighth in the 100

yard freestyle and sixth in the 100 yard breaststroke. Hopkins took the first four places in that event, with the Bears' Bud Lavell (Jr.) right behind. He also finished sixth in the 200 yard breaststroke with a time of 2:28.2, three seconds off his best previous time. Sloate was fifth in the 50 and 100 yard freestyle. The leading swimmer for Ursinus was Sieracki. He was third in the 50 yard freestyle and achieved the Bears' only first place finish with a victory in the 100 yard freestyle. This was one of just three events not captured by a Johns Hopkins swimmer.

In the diving competition, Chuck Reese (Sr.) was eighth and Chip Weisel (Jr.) twelfth for Ursinus.

Sieracki's 41 points paced the Bears' individual scoring. The others: Sloate 31, Hausner 30, Knerr 25, Lavell 24, Reese 5, 400 yard medley relay team 4, Jim O'Day (So.) 2, and Weisel 1.

The squad's regular season record ended at six wins, three losses, one tie. Davidson praised each swimmer for his hard work. He pointed out that the two vacations interrupting the season hampered the conditioning of each member. "The schedule is not conducive to a sport where conditioning is so important, such as swimming," he said. This, plus illness among several swimmers, were the reasons for the team's mid-season slump. However, the Bears regained their early season form in time for Saturday to successfully complete a

superb season. Each member of the squad deserves congratulations.

The women's swim team, defending their MAC championship, was edged by Johns Hopkins 91 to 86, despite several outstanding performances. Coach Hepner Van Horn called the effort "the best times ever swum by our team." Ursinus set six team records and two conference marks. Amy Early (Jr.) had record-setting victories in the 200 and 100 yard backstrokes (2:24.0 and 1:06.0), plus a third in the 200 yard individual medley and a hand in the school record-breaking 400 yard medley relay team's second place. Cindy Markley (Fr.) finished second in the 50 yard backstroke, 200 yard butterfly, 100 yard freestyle, and 100 yard butterfly. She swam for the 400 yard freestyle relay team which placed third, and the 400 yd. medley relay team. Debbie Van Pelt (Fr.) and Nina Geier (So.) composed the rest of the medley team, and along with Terry Stettner (So.), the freestyle team. Geier had a third place finish and two sixths. Stettner had two fifths and a sixth, and Van Pelt had one sixth. Nancy Kern (So.) placed second, third, and fourth in her events, while Gretchen Devlin (So.) had two sixth places, and Linda Manney (Jr.) one. Beth Salamanca (Jr.) finished third in the one meter diving.

Three days after the MAC's, Ursinus swam its final meet against Trenton State College at Elliot (Continued on Page 3, Col. 5)

Review of Hoopla!

By GEORGE GEIST

The basketball Bears of Ursinus concluded their season with a convincing 84-59 victory over tournament bound Eastern College. Posting an overall record of 10-10 and a M.A.C. log of 5-5, a .500 season in a "roller-coaster" year was a great success.

In a season filled with off the court problems and experimental play with on the court fives, the bouncing Bears alternated wins and losses during the twenty game schedule as particularly evidenced by the final seven games.

Ursinus 67, Drew 63; Jim McLaughlin scored 21 points in 20 minutes of playing time in his best performance.

Drexel 103, Ursinus 52—No comment!

Ursinus 81, Washington 75—Junior Jim McLaughlin again scored 21 in a return to the winning way.

Lebanon Valley 92, Ursinus 75—The Flying Dutchmen were not cordial hosts except for their marching halftime show as Curt Kemmerer demonstrated his rare scoring ability with 12-16 FGs, 6-7 FTs—30 points. Greg "The Winger" Weigard added 17 counters for his senior season's highlight game.

Ursinus 80, Swarthmore 73—Senior captain Randy Stubits' domination of the backboards and his scoring punch helped post another win for Coach Fry.

Spring Garden 66, Ursinus 56—Mike Soroka, a member of Spring Garden's 1000 Point Club, directed the SG attack to an upset over UC.

Ursinus 84, Eastern 59—The Bears played their finest forty minutes of basketball in the season's finale as UC's run and gun offense outran the Eagles of Eastern on "one of those nights." Junior Bruce Piker picked a good time for his seasonal high. Shooting an amazing 10 for 15 from the floor and 5-5 from the line, Bruce demonstrated his potential. Piker will be counted upon to contribute heavily to the scoring and rebounding categories next year after the

graduation of Stubits and Weigard. Randy Stubits ended his UC career with another consistent contest—16 rebounds and 15 points. Greg Thren contributed 16 counters to the Bears' winning effort.

In the M.A.C. Southern Division East Section, Ursinus' overall record was second only to Widener. In league competition alone, UC tied for third with Haverford at 5-5 behind Widener and Johns Hopkins. Ursinus also rated second in scoring (75.6 p.p.g.) behind powerhouse Widener (82.8 p.p.g.).

Statistically, Greg Thren (19.0 scoring average) placed third after Haverford's Dick Voith and Widener's Dennis James with Randy Stubits placing fourth in the competition for individual scoring honors in the M.A.C. Southern, East section.

Randy was the only M.A.C. Southern Division to place among the top 10 leaders in four categories—Field Goal Percentage, 4th (56%), Free Throw Shooting Percentage, 2nd (81.9%) and Rebounding, 1st (15.5 r.p.g. average). Randy led the entire M.A.C., both Northern and Southern Divisions, in the latter category.

Individually, the top six Ursinus scorers, in order of average, were: Stubits (17.4), Thren (15.3), McLaughlin (12.2), Weigard (7.7), Bruce Piker (6.1), and Pete Sovia (4.4).

Next year, with a strong nucleus returning with experienced lettermen Greg Thren, Jim McLaughlin, Bruce Piker, Pete Sovia, Mike Piotrowicz, Mike Ruskey, Andy Budko and Steve Pearson, along with developing sophomores from Coach Handwerk's 9-9 JV club, the bouncing Bears will be back!

This year my choices for the M.A.C. Southern Division All-Star Team include two Bears—guards Dick Voith of Haverford, Greg Thren of Ursinus, forwards Dennis James of Widener, Dave Stubbs of Haverford and center Randy Stubits of Ursinus. League MVP: Randy Stubits—Ursinus College.



Fore Coach

By JOE SARACO

James L. Johnstone was named coach of the Ursinus golf team replacing Dr. Foster L. Dennis who retired at the end of last season. Mr. Johnstone's duties have

already begun.

Mr. Johnstone was born in Scotland where he was raised on golf. His family moved to Chester, and he graduated from Ursinus in 1940. He majored in health and physical education, and lettered in football and baseball. He served as a cap- (Continued on Page 3, Col. 2)