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## Soloists Named for Messiah

The Ursinus College "Messiah" Choir will feature four prominent vocalists in its 38th annual Christmas production on Thursday and Friday nights, December 11 and 12, at 8:15 p.m. in Bomberger Hall. This year's concert will contain selections from Bach's "Christmas Oratorio" and the traditional Christmas portions of Handel's "Messiah."

The soloists are Ami Yervanian, Jane Sheppard, William Maun, and Dan Marek.

Miss Yervanian, mezzo-soprano of national acclaim, was educated at the Eastman School of Music, and has been honored many times in national and regional voice competitions sponsored by the Metropolitan Opera Society.

She has enjoyed extensive operatic roles across the country and has performed on the stage of the New York Philharmonic as a soloist in various oratorios, recitals, and concerts. Miss Yervanian has sung the solo parts in both the "Oratorio" and the "Messiah" under the lights at Carnegie Hall. This will be her first appearance at Ursinus.

Miss Jane Sheppard has ap-

peared as a soprano soloist in Pennsylvania, Nebraska, and Delaware and has had leading roles with the Wilmington Opera Company.

She was graduated from West Chester State College and went on to receive an M.A. degree from Columbia University and the M.Mus. degree from Indiana University.

In addition to numerous oratorios and solo appearances in various area churches, Miss Sheppard has performed at the Library and Museum of Performing Arts in New York City's Lincoln Center.

Mr. William Maun is returning to Ursinus as the bass soloist for this year's "Messiah." His last appearance in Bomberger Hall was in 1950, under the baton of Dr. William Philip.

Since that time, Mr. Maun has sung with organist Virgil Fox at the Riverside Church in New York City and has appeared on NBC Opera Theater of the Air. He has soloed with the Philadelphia Symphony and the National Symphony Orchestra in Washington, D.C. He is currently appearing as a soloist in many Philadelphia area churches.

Dan Marek, tenor, has sung 19

leading roles with the Metropolitan Opera since 1965, and has appeared in over 100 concerts with the Golden Curtain Quartet of the Metropolitan Opera Studio. His solos have taken him across the country from his native Oklahoma to Michigan, Kansas, New York City and Winnipeg, Canada.

He sang tenor solo in the "Messiah" with the National Symphony Orchestra, and has been warmly received in that role on the Ursinus campus in recent years.

The four soloists will join the 150-voice choir and the 30-piece orchestra under the direction of Mr. Derq Howlett for a dress rehearsal on Thursday, December 11, at 2:30, which is open to the public, and free of charge.

Reserved seats for the evening performances are \$4.00 and \$3.00 and may be obtained from the Music Department.

The All-College Night performance will be on Tuesday, December 9 in Bomberger. For this performance Ursinus students will be featured as soloists and the Ursinus orchestra will accompany the chorus. No admission is charged for this event and the entire college community is urged to attend.

## Party Hangover

With the dispensing of ten demerits each to four residents of suite 200, the official administrative investigation of the occurrence of November 15th was terminated.

The blame for the infraction of the college rules, doubtless the responsibility of many students, was eventually placed upon four people. Accused of initiating the disturbance, these four students were singled out as the convenient objects of punishment. With the assignment of demerits, the case supposedly has been concluded.

However, numerous meetings of the USGA and SFARC testify that there is a strong sentiment in opposition to any such conclusion. The SFARC meeting of November 19th, attended by 275 students, was held in Bomberger Auditorium to accommodate the unusually large crowd. A prepared statement presented by Jack Smith expressed in general the student discontent with the Ursinus Rules and Customs and in particular the handling of the 200 affair. Bob Simon read the USGA resolution urging that more student choice be allowed in forming the dormitory visitation policy.

Dean Whatley, a guest of SFARC, answered questions concerning the

events of the previous Saturday evening. After considerable discussion of the 200 affair and the unsatisfactory nature of the present rules, the meeting was adjourned.

A special meeting of SFARC, held on November 24, attracted 100 people. Geoffrey Higgins was in attendance, presumably to answer questions concerning his role in the investigation of the 200 affair and to respond to the report that he allegedly made slanderous remarks in regard to those involved. After reading a brief statement, Mr. Higgins declined to discuss the matter further except by appointment. Mr. Richter read a letter addressed to an individual student recommending that students once again make studying their prime concern. After discussion, the move to include this letter in SFARC minutes was withdrawn. SFARC's role was questioned. Chairman George Geist replied that it is an advisory, not policy making, body. Dr. Sullivan added that the present organizations are not meeting student needs.

The SAC and USGA are currently in the process of receiving suggestions for rule revision.

## Ec Club Hears Oil Co. View Of Energy Crisis

By TOM RASKIN

The Economics Club held its second meeting of the year on Wednesday, Nov. 19th in the Shiproom in Bomberger. The guest speaker was Dr. Jack W. Wilkinson, who is a senior economist for the Sun Oil Company of Philadelphia. His speech was on "the energy problem as seen by a private oil company."

Dr. Wilkinson divided his talk amongst three topics: the demand for energy, the supply of energy; and the function of an Economist at Sun.

The first topic was concerned with the various fuels which supply our energy needs. A main topic throughout was the concern over the possible shortage of natural gas this winter, and also what his viewpoint was on this issue. Dr. Wilkinson related some statistics concerning the consumption of energy. He indicated that there had been about a 2% drop in consumption since 1973. This was due to the Arab oil embargo, with its effect of increasing prices by 400%, and also the current recession. However, a shortage seems to be likely because the industry "grossly underestimated the growth of energy demand." He stated that the companies use long-term forecasting instead of relying on shorter predictions, perhaps for the year ahead.

The second topic concerned the supply of energy resources. Dr. Wilkinson stated that the companies would continue to rely on oil in the years ahead because it is still relatively cheaper. For example, solar energy was mentioned and he stated that this alternative was much more expensive than petroleum products for use as an energy source. Oil is still plentiful, however the U.S. will have to rely on foreign sources because the Alaskan oil fields will not make a difference. There is little talk of the goal of "self-sufficiency" now in higher circles. Coal is a source of study now. Dr. Wilkinson said that there is about a 500 year supply of fossil fuels left. He stated that the alternative being considered is nuclear energy, an area which is still in its early stages. There is a lack of growth as could

## Guidelines Approved For Records Access

In accordance to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, the Ursinus College Board of Directors has adopted guidelines pertaining to confidentiality of student records. The act, and the guidelines pertain to all students "who are or have been at attendance at a school of (an educational) agency . . . or institutions." That is, the act applies to all students and alumni of Ursinus College.

The records which are protected by the act are educational records—information related directly to the student of an educational nature that are maintained by the institution, essentially grades. Educational records do not include faculty records, law enforcement records, and medical, psychiatric records.

Except for exceptions included in the act, no one shall have access to the records without the students written consent. The student may authorize in writing that others who have legitimate reasons, may view his records—employers, graduate schools, fellowships, etc. Ursinus College faculty and staff with "legitimate educational interests" may view the records, and a few

be had in this area because of Federal regulations concerning building of a plant. This source of energy will probably not be a major source until the 21st century.

After his speech, Dr. Wilkinson answered a great many questions, concerning current matters. He said, in response to a question about the compromise energy plan (worked out between Congress and the President), that there was little prospect for its achieving its goals. Another question concerned the excess profits made by the companies, in which Dr. Wilkinson replied that these profits were being diverted to exploration and research. He said that these profits were not being paid as dividends to shareholders, as the questioner had asked.

For those who have missed any of the meetings, they can become a member of the club by attending 2 meetings and paying dues of \$1.00. There will be no speaker for the next meeting, which will be a Christmas affair.

others, such as financial aid officers and parents of a student who is dependent upon such parents for Federal Income Tax purposes.

Students may not view parents' financial records and related parental financial information. Confidential evaluations of students placed in educational records prior to January 1, 1975 shall not be released to students. A student may (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

## U. S. G. A. - Risen From the Dead?

By JILL LEAUBER

Corresponding Secretary, U.S.G.A.

U.S.G.A. is not dead; the Ursinus Student Government Association is well, and recently has come alive on campus.

Many students have felt that the U.S.G.A. had become functionless, inept, and in no uncertain terms, DEAD. However, the spirit of student interest has begun to restore the student's life and faith in their representative organization.

Realizing the representative function of the U.S.G.A., many students have begun to attend meetings and use this governing body as a sounding ground for their concerns. The meetings of November 18 and 20 drew crowds numbering over two hundred to express their ideas about such things as student rights, rules and regulations, student-faculty-administration communication, and the recent incident involving Suite 200. The meetings were often long and tedious, and discussions often erupted into emotional arguments, but one important factor was still visible; Ursinus students had finally become concerned enough about campus affairs to organize themselves and display their viewpoints to their peers, faculty members, and administrators. Council members, fulfilling their function as student representatives, passed resolutions and answered questions.

Three important things resulted from these meetings. First, the rules and customs of Ursinus are being examined by students, as many feel there is a definite need for revision of student regulations. The Student Affairs Committee, a

## Faculty Grievances Presented to Adm.

By B. BRANT

The Weekly learned recently that a petition concerned with problems on campus that require immediate attention and signed by forty-one faculty members was submitted to President Pettit. Copies were sent to all listed members of the Board of Directors.

Dated October 7, but conceived "sometime last spring" according to a faculty member, the document enumerates several points of discrepancy between those signing the petition and the administration. They include:

1. Faculty salaries are "totally unrealistic" in the present inflationary climate. "Drastic action" must be taken to improve basic faculty salaries.

2. The administration has not been candid in regard to the Century II Program, a five year plan designed to improve the academic curriculum at Ursinus. Specifically charged is failure to fulfill one of Century II's original goals: the improvement of salaries. The source of this information is the Ursinus College Bulletin of September 1975. (A subsequent appraisal of Century II was submitted to the faculty by Vice President Richter in an attempt to clarify several points.)

3. The administration does not make complete disclosure of budgetary matters to faculty members

and the faculty is not represented in establishing fiscal priorities.

4. No organized grievance procedure exists between the faculty and the administration. Those endorsing the petition call for a "duly elected Grievance Committee."

5. No members of the faculty are seated on the Board of Directors and the proper representation on the Board is "essential to the welfare of the college." The faculty has not been given its rightful role in the governance of this institution in budgetary, salary, and selection of administrator matters.

6. A request for a small group of the faculty to discuss the situation. Consequently a secret ballot vote by those who signed the petition elected tenured faculty members to represent them. They are Dr. Roger Staiger, Dr. Eugene Miller, Mr. Harry Symons, Dr. Sieber Pancoast, and Dr. Ronald Hess.

The petition according to a faculty member, "is in no way tied in with the concept of unionization of the faculty" with the AAUP and is basically a concerted "grass roots effort" to present a consensus of opinion.

The faculty petition originates at a time coinciding with a petition submitted by discontented students who have also cited a need for improved communication between administration and students.

recently formed subcommittee of the U.S.G.A., which is open to any student, will be re-evaluating the system of rules at their regular Monday meetings. This committee is willing to hear suggestions concerning not only the rules, but any facet of the college community. Second, a concentrated effort is being made by many to increase student awareness of campus activities through the use of announcements, bulletins, flyers and newspaper articles. Hopefully, increased publicity will lead to increased student involvement. Last, nominations were made to the judiciary board, and will be voted upon by council members at the November 25 meeting of U.S.G.A. The Judiciary Board is comprised of the Men's and Women's Vice-Presidents of U.S.G.A., four elected

students, six faculty members, and one administrator. A number of students feel the J-Board, which has been relatively inactive in recent years, should be revived.

The function of U.S.G.A. has been greatly enhanced by the energy and cooperation of the students this legislative body represents, for how can a governing body represent student opinions if these opinions remain unspoken? The transfusion of interest into the heart of the student government has begun circulating into many arteries throughout the campus. New blood has revitalized what many thought to be a lifeless organization; perhaps to some, U.S.G.A. has arisen from the dead. And, with the continual pulsation of student involvement, the beat just may go on.

# Editorial Ruth L. von Kummer

## Malcontents or Outdated Policy?

To myself and others on the *Weekly* staff, as well as to other members of the Ursinus community, the days have seemed interminable since our last publication. At this time, the college needs its newspaper as it has perhaps never needed it before—to express opinions, clarify misunderstandings, and most importantly, to inform and update the whole college as to the activities taking place and the decisions made.

In regard to the circumstances which took place in Suite 200 a few weeks ago, unfortunately a decision was made, which involved the issuing of demerits to a very small group of male students. Personally, I do not support this decision, and I know that feeling abides in the hearts of many others. Although we sought to avoid it, a few students were punished for an offense which is, on a realistic scale, both ridiculous and hypocritical. To these people, those of us concerned wish to apologize. A small group should not suffer for the shortcomings of a system. But, evidently, what had to occur did. Our direction now should be toward preventing such inconsistency and injustice from repeating itself in the future.

How to achieve this goal is the extremely awesome obligation set before us. The rules and customs obviously need revision. At a recent SFARC meeting, the point was made that society changes and the rules must be altered accordingly. Some current rules reportedly read as they did when they first entered the college rulebooks many years ago. Students have changed in past years; it seems the rules have not. They do not serve as standards either for the safety of the college community or as steps which would better insure the general welfare of the students at the college. Instead, they only oppose the students and create conflicts because they were formulated without those students in mind. Those who have the power to change them have not taken the initiative to do so. Granted, there may be extremists on both sides, but to date, we have been and are expected to sacrifice any desired social activity to comply with rules which would have and did alienate college students fifteen years ago. Now they merely hinder our educative process by causing incidents such as the one on November 15, which turned the college upside down. They also destroy our desire to make Ursinus a community of loyal and united participants. Therefore, when the opportunity for reform presents itself, it seems only logical that someone in a position of authority recognize it.

While discoursing on injustice, I will mention a few employees of the college who were involved in this activity. One has overstepped his bounds several times in making disgusting and totally unwarranted references to the women of Ursinus as "pork chops." This, in conjunction with several other remarks made during a *Weekly* interview, denote behavior totally unbecoming a person in his position. One wonders how a person who takes the dignity of other persons so lightly can be retained in any authoritative post. Rumors have also circulated about a newly hired official of the college. If he has made the remarks quoted, or even if his reported attitude throughout the affair is the sole cause for prosecution, he should contemplate the definition of the word hypocrisy and determine what his moral standards really are before rebuking the actions of others.

Finally, we are left with the remains of this horrible, enigmatic situation. Student beliefs in the abstract, overly stringent and outdated nature of the rules have not been lessened by the lack of substantial redirection resulting from numerous meetings and special sessions of bodies such as USGA and SFARC. Progress has been slow, but people are attending these meetings. Regardless of whether the delay comes from an excess amount of parliamentary procedure or the fact that an insufficient amount of corrective measures are being realized because of the conflicting and overwhelming rash of opinions projected, students are becoming frustrated. Unfortunately, frustration usually leads to a resignation of purpose.

But, having now been immersed in the inconsistencies and deficiencies of the college, I don't believe the students should or will give up. We need reform to achieve any sense of respect for each other. People like those cited have had a negative effect on our aim towards a mature treatment of one another. This event has had a negative effect on Ursinus College.

This incident's immediate consequences may be past and unalterable, but the reasons behind them can not be shoved into the darkness as people have attempted to do with similar past situations once immediate action has been taken. If so, we, as a part of Ursinus, and the college as a whole will suffer, I fear, what are now unforeseeable effects. Their intensity nurtured by the growing dissatisfaction of those supporting them may put us in a paralytic state degrading to any institution. This is certainly not a productive atmosphere. It is one in which an otherwise excellent education is hampered by the lack of social freedom.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### ON STUDENT RIGHTS

To the Editor of the *Weekly*,

The students on the Ursinus campus are only now beginning to realize the resources available to them for bringing about change. I find no reason for the administration to be affronted or offended at this sudden concern, and as such, hope that this will not occur. The Ursinus Catalogue's list of college principles include: (1), a mature understanding of one's self, of others, and of society, and (2), a sense of responsibility. Our actions towards reform on this campus are in no way out of tune with these principles. We recognize that rules must be changed so as not to inhibit our social needs and desires, or, through over-regulation, prevent us from becoming responsible for our own actions. We are trying to accomplish this in a responsible and appropriate manner. Hopefully, any actions from the administration will be made with this understanding, and our intentions will not be misunderstood. Moreover, any attempt on the part of the administration to divert, manipulate, or delay positive proposals put to them should be taken as a direct affront to our rights and freedoms as responsible individuals.

David Runions  
Michael Matthews  
Suite 206, N.M.D.

To Whom It May Concern,

Ursinus isn't a police state where authorities knock down doors to discover the activities of the students. Or is it? When a student has a complaint or question about this institution, there is a well known course for action. Or is there? There is a well-defined list of offenses to reckon with. Or is there? There is no one person to which this whole campus must answer. Or is there? Ursinus is part of the democratic nation called the United States of America. Or is it?

Where is Rin Tin Tin when you need him? Yes, folks, these green-swards desperately need to be rescued from the villains who take your money but don't bother with the receipts. Every enemy has an adversary. Even Snidley Whiplash has to deal with a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. S. Whiplash tied Nell to the railroad tracks only to have her rescued by that brave Mountie, Dudley Do-right. Ursinus students share Nell's plight. If someone does not stop that barreling train, we, too, will be railroaded—make no mistake about that. Superman, Aquaman, Batman and Robin have television contracts to fulfill. Ursinus MUST create its own hero to defeat its own white haired villain.

Linda Hebda

To the Editor of the *Weekly*,

At the end of last semester I unhappily yielded to frustration and transferred out of Ursinus. My reasons were many but paramount among them was the oppressive atmosphere on campus generated by the antiquated rules of social conduct. It is not realistic to assume that adults of 18-22 years will confine their social life to cookies and milk and watching foreign movies in Wismer auditorium. It is also absurd to assume that people will placidly sign away their personal liberties for the privilege of attending this institution. I am referring to such outdated regulations as the dorm visitation schedule, legal consumption of alcoholic beverages, the demerit system, and the right to peaceable assembly.

I am now attending Temple University and find no such repression on campus. I realize that the two schools (Ursinus and Temple) are not comparable along the lines of curriculum, student population, state support, and so on but the basic objective of an educational institution, that being the education and personal development of the student, is identical. Yet there seems to be a vast discrepancy in

the methods of implementation between the two.

People have asked me why, since I no longer attend Ursinus, I am taking such an active interest in the recent emergence of self-expression and dissatisfaction on this campus. The reason is simple. The apathetic reactions of the students to the narrow-minded policies being exercised was one of the frustrating factors that hastened my transfer. I have made many good friends in my two years at Ursinus, and if my speaking up in support of their cause will help in any way to effect the necessary changes, then I feel it to be my responsibility.

In closing, I would like to reaffirm that the rights of adults to be treated as such are universal and not to be denied. The recent actions of the student body seem to be a step in the right direction. Good luck Ursinus!

Sincerely,  
H. Mark Daroff  
(Formerly of) Class of '77

### GUIDELINES APPROVED

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waive his right of access to evaluations; this is supposed to make said evaluations more meaningful to those who use them.

If a student wishes to inspect his records, he must write and date a request and show proper identification. Within forty-five days of the request, the records will be made available. If after receipt the student wants copies, there will be a charge of twenty-five cents per page. After reviewing his records, a student has the right to challenge the contents of the records as being inaccurate or misleading. Upon deciding that some aspect of the record is inappropriate, the student may so inform the college official in the office where his records are maintained and attempt to solve the problem through informal discussion. If no agreement is reached through informal discussion, the student may submit in writing to the dean of the college a request for a hearing specifying the record alleged to be inaccurate. If no accord can be reached, the dean will appoint a College representative who has no direct interest in the matter and a hearing will be set in no less than thirty days. A decision will be rendered by the impartial official within thirty days. If his decision denies the challenge, the student may have inserted in his record a written explanation concerning the allegedly inappropriate contents.

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## Super Game Super Season

By GEORGE GEIST

A "super" game, one of the most competitive eighty minutes in women's hockey history between powerhouses Ursinus College and West Chester, describes the scene at Madison College, Virginia last Saturday in the A.I.A.W. national tournament final.

This pressure packed finale, the first national collegiate team championship of its kind, was amazingly exciting and thrilling to each of the approximately fifteen hundred fans.

Ursinus' Bearettes hockey squad, coached by Adele Boyd, qualified for the big weekend playoff series by placing second in the eastern regionals with convincing defeats over Montclair, Penn State and Lock Haven.

The squad consisting of Nancy Zurn, Judy Turner, Betsy Meng, Sue Rowe, Karla Poley, Sharon Sloyer, Melissa Magee, Sally Starr, Maury McBryan, Karen Hansell, Sherrie Harden, and Elaine "Semi" Snyder posted three consecutive wins over the U. of Oregon 2-0, U. of Maine 6-1, William and Mary 4-0, setting the stage for the fantastic finale.

West Chester and Ursinus played the championship for the title in a display of perfect hockey execution and excellent team defense. After two thirty-five minute halves, the score remained tied 1-1 with Ursinus' goal posted by junior Judy Turner. Due to a special tournament ruling in reference to maximum qualifying penetration time, an overtime period was necessary. Once again, the defenses rose to the occasion. The score at the end of the ten minute overtime was still 1-1.

Pressure and excitement described the situation as the game came to be decided. Penalty shots in this special game would decide the contest. Five shots were given to each team. Ursinus scored on three. West Chester scored four. The game, the season, the title, and all the excitement came down to one shot, an amazing way to end an "amazing" season for our amazing team, the hockey Bearettes of Ursinus! Congratulations!

### CORRECTION

The *Weekly* staff apologizes for the omission of a word in the article "Explosive Evidence" in the Nov. 20 issue. The proper sentence is as follows: In an interview Friday, November 14, College President William Pettit would not discount the possibility that Kulp would be allowed to return to Ursinus after the disposition of the case, stating that a student always has the right to re-apply.

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