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USGA reschedules election

Candidate charges election not 'fair and honest'

By BRIAN KELLEY

New elections for all USGA offices will be held on Feb. 28 as a result of a protest lodged by presidential candidate Joan Marie Gagliardi. Gagliardi contested the election in writing before the end of voting last Thursday.

The Election Committee of the USGA voted four to two in favor of holding new elections after a meeting of the student government on Monday night.

At the meeting, Gagliardi presented government members with several reasons for her contention that the election was not "fair and honest," a requirement of the USGA's constitution.

As each student votes, his name must be checked-off in the student directory to prevent multiple voting. According to Gagliardi and President Luke Nelligan, 535 votes were cast, but the names of only 365 students were checked off. This means that 170 of the votes are in question. Some may be the results of multiple voting.

Unofficial results quoted by

Gagliardi put her behind candidate Devin Murphy, current recording secretary, by 23 votes.

Gagliardi said that Nelligan saw three people try to vote a second time. Nelligan confirmed this, but said that he could only say that two of the people were serious.

Nelligan could not be present to oversee the entire election, and Gagliardi listed this as one reason for her protest.

Gagliardi also complained about politicking at the polling table, and she claimed that preliminary results were released to some people in the middle of voting.

Nelligan denied this, saying that he and Peggy Loughran, corresponding secretary, counted the votes after lunch but did not tell anyone the results. Nelligan said that, when he was asked how the election stood, he only told people it was close and to "get out and vote." He explained that votes were counted early to avoid counting them all at the end of the day.

Though most of Gagliardi's contentions were not questioned,

the issue did not seem clear cut among members. Major concern lied with the possible iniquities of holding new elections.

Jim McKeon, who received more votes than his opponent in the unofficial contest, wondered if the supporters of candidates would turn out in equal numbers in the second election.

Gagliardi said that the people who "won big" have no need to worry about losing the new election.

Nelligan said that this might be true in theory, but that no one could tell what would happen. "You can't honestly say that you're drawing from the same votes," Nelligan said, because of the different circumstances that will surround the new elections.

Stu Furjanic, who Nelligan called "a concerned freshman," said, "I think that people who did vote will vote again."

Before Nelligan adjourned the meeting to allow for a secret vote by the Election Committee, McKeon pointed out that three members of the committee were candidates. Murphy and Roger Brewster, who "won" the

unofficial election, and Gagliardi, who "lost." The issue was not addressed in detail.

On the day after the committee vote, Murphy said that she felt confused by conflicting feelings. She explained that she thinks holding new elections is the right thing to do, but knowing that she received more votes in the unofficials election bothers her.

Murphy said that McKeon's concern for returning support was well-founded, and that she shared his concern.

Shortly after the committee vote, Brewster said, "I think it's what had to be done." He said that he is worried about losing support. Brewster wants to see

an environment of trust develop among students.

During the meeting, Hilde Muench, assistant dean of student life and advisor of the USGA, told members of the Election Committee that that they had a chance to solve the election problems well before the election was held. She accused some of being too interested in keeping USGA meetings brief.

She said she was frustrated with having to see the hurt feelings and extra work the problems caused.

When interviewed after the meeting, Nelligan said, "Some (See ELECTIONS, P4)

UC retention rate above nat average

By JOSEPH F. PIRRO

The desks of college administrators are filled with paperwork that contains statistics and ratings of everything imaginable. The retention rate is a statistic which has been scrutinized here at Ursinus College. Currently, the school's retention rate is 75 percent, which is far above the national average of about 50 percent according to Dean David L. Rebeck, associate Dean of Student Life.

Of the students who are accepted and decide to attend Ursinus as freshmen, 75 percent will graduate. Rebeck says this figure could rise slightly. This year's freshmen class is having the best start ever. Only seven of the 365 freshmen did not return after the first semester.

Ursinus' retention rate has improved over the last six years because of a deliberate effort on the part of the administration. However, according to President Richter, the college does not sacrifice academics just to keep a student in school.

Why would anyone want to stay at Ursinus for four years? President Richter believes there is a simple answer: "We have a top-notch faculty and the students perceive it," he said. The relationships between students, administration, faculty, student life and career planning officials are remarkably close.

Students at Ursinus have a sense that this institution relates to their lifetime objectives. According to Richter, "The clearer this connection, the more likely the students are to stay."

President Richter is also happy to report that student satisfaction at U.C. is higher than he has ever seen in his 20 years of administration. He measures this feeling by the number of complaints he hears. Students happiness equals high retention rates.

Another reason for the high retention rate here at Ursinus is our "sparkling program," according to President Richter. As a small, liberal arts institution, we have ease of contact with faculty and friends and individual care is given. Certain colleges are for certain students, and the students who come to Ursinus know that this is the college that will suit them the best.

One's education is enhanced by remaining at the same school for four years. But President Richter also believes that a liberal arts education has to entail a degree of discomfort. The joy of learning is occasional, not constant." Some friction is needed. However, at Ursinus all is going well, and the college has been ranked in the top 10 smartest

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Japanese studies prof. returns to U.C.

By NOEL SABEL

On a shelf in Jun Kawashima's apartment are several pictures of his family. One notices that these are the only items from Japan which are visible. Contrasted with the decor of his distinctly

American apartment, the pictures seem as though they don't fit in. Unlike his pictures, Kawashima, Professor of Japanese studies, does fit in — extremely well.

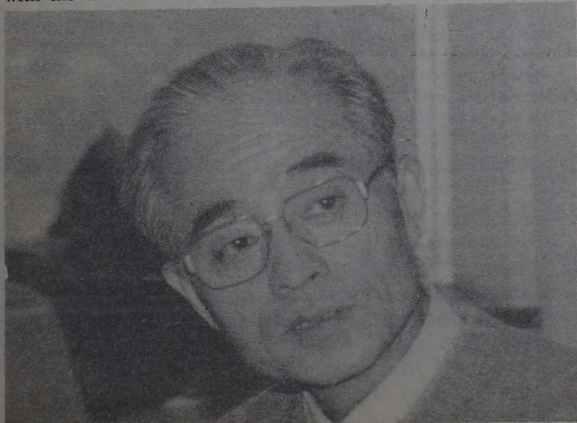
Kawashima is no stranger to

the U.S., this is his fifth trip here. In fact he even studied at Ursinus as a special student in 1961.

Kawashima's odyssey to Ursinus began while he was attending Tohoku Gauguin University in Japan, which is affiliated with the United Church of Christ. After he received his masters degree at New York City's Columbia University, he contacted the United Church of Christ and asked to be sent to another school. "New York is something different from typical America," Kawashima said. "I had the desire for some real American student life, so they sent me here."

Kawashima's student experience wasn't his last contact with Ursinus. Thirteen years ago he initiated the student exchange program between our school and Tohoku Gauguin, where he currently teaches. In this

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Without reform, second election doomed to failure

Because of inequities in last week's USGA elections, students will be asked to re-cast their votes in another election to be held during the last week of this month (see article, p. 1).

The Grizzly commends the election committee for its prompt and proper response to the formal protest of one of the candidates. The first election was an embarrassment to our entire community. The student body was dishonest. The election procedures were inadequate. Both of these problems need to be considered and rectified if we hope to maintain our voice in the government of this school.

We students cannot be expected to treat USGA elections with the same respect with which we ought to treat local, state, and federal elections. It would be foolish for us to believe that there is that much at stake. Yet USGA elections are an important part of student life at our school. The officers we elect will be charged with duties that will affect all of our lives at Ursinus. They will spend part of our tuition money. They will be our voice in the administration. They will plan events for our benefit. For our own sake, we should take these elections seriously.

It is not difficult to forget that students have not always had a voice in the administration of their schools, but people fought hard for us to have that privilege. During last Thursday's election, the students who campaigned at the poll, the students who intimidated others into voting for their friends, and the students who cast more than one ballot put that privilege in jeopardy. The student body should not tolerate this threat to its voice. We should demand respect for the process and honesty in the procedure. For our own sake.

At an emergency meeting on Monday night, the election committee was accused of neglecting to revise an election system that it knew was problematic. The system is too casual, and it leaves too much room for human dishonesty. It has been the cause of concern for some years; changes should have been made before now to ensure the success of this year's balloting.

Students should have privacy as they complete their ballots — voting should not be a public act. The ballots should not be accessible to everyone passing through the lobby in Wismer. They should be controlled by an authorized election official. No candidate for office should be allowed near the polling place. And some method must be devised to ensure that students vote only once. If checking off names in a college directory doesn't do it, a different system must be found.

If the election committee was aware of these problems before last Thursday's election, it was remiss in not correcting them, and must accept as much responsibility for the election fiasco as the dishonest students.

The student body needs to consider the importance of USGA elections, and the election committee needs to emmend the problems with the election system, or else this year's second election will be as meaningless as the first.

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THOROUGHLY SEARCHED.
NOTHING WAS FOUND....



College Press Service

News of Yesteryear

By Amy Kistler

During recent years there have been several debates among Ursinus students and faculty over the way in which the fraternity-sorority system can benefit and hinder the true goals of the college both academically and socially. These debates are nothing new. The following article is from the Ursinus Weekly of December 19, 1968. Not only does the article present a poll of the students concerning their attitudes toward the Greek system, it also presents the actual opinions of several Ursinus students at that time. Interestingly enough, of the 390 students polled, 88 percent of them were in favor of fraternities and sororities.

FRAT SYSTEM & HOUSES FAVORED BY STUDENTS; 12% 'THUMBS DOWN!'
By ALAN GOLD

Compiled by Howard Solomon
 In a public opinion poll conducted by the Weekly on Friday, December 13, the students of Ursinus College voted overwhelmingly in favor of the fraternity-sorority system.

The 390 students who participated in the poll voted on this issue in the following manner:

1. Do you think that Ursinus College should have fraternities and sororities?
 - Yes 342
 - No 44
 2. Do you think that the number of fraternities and sororities at Ursinus should be limited?
 - Yes 209
 - No 177
 3. Do you think that the fraternities and sororities should have their own houses?
 - Yes 282
 - No 104
- This vote represented 88% of the students being in favor of the fraternity-sorority system, 53.5%

of the students being in favor of limiting the number of fraternities and sororities, and 72% of the students being in favor of the fraternities and sororities having their own houses. There were 4 abstentions recorded, representing 1.4% of the poll sample.

Of the 390 students polled, 40% were members of fraternities and sororities, 2.6% were inactive fraternity-sorority members, and 56% were non-members.

THAT WAYWARD 6%

Ninety-four percent of the fraternity and sorority members naturally favored the system. It is highly interesting to note that as high as 6% of the fraternity and sorority members do not, in fact, favor fraternities and sororities. Correspondingly, 82% of the fraternity-sorority members favor houses for their constituents, whereas only 63% of these students desire that the number of fraternities and sororities at Ursinus be limited in number.

Among inactive fraternity-sorority members, 50% favor the system of social organizations, 37.5% think that the number of fraternities and sororities should be limited, and 62.5% feel that these organizations should have their own houses.

Eighty-three percent of the non-members at Ursinus favor the fraternity-sorority system. Only 49% of these students would like to see the number of fraternities and sororities limited, while 68% of the non-members favor fraternity and sorority houses.

...Creaking, Atavistic Throwback

A number of students recorded interesting comments on their ballots. Many of these were "pro-fraternity" and "anti-sorority" in their attitudes concerning the system itself and the idea of separate houses. (No student favored only sororities.) Several students characteristically remarked "I don't care" in answer to the poll questions. One student was highly adamant in his support of the fraternity system; he stated that fraternities "should be encouraged and helped by the school" and that fraternity houses are "a must!" One renegade Ursinus student scornfully commented, "This school is so behind the times that the question of the fraternity problem is already outdated by 50 years. This school needs more pressing reform that fraternities or sororities. This school is a creaking, atavistic throwback."

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Need for tutors may grow

By BRIAN KELLEY

Ursinus has been bringing local school students and college tutors together for over three years. Each year the number of students requesting tutoring grows, and Charles Fegely is looking for more Ursinus students interested in tutoring to meet these demands.

According to Fegely, who is the Union Program Board advisor and who runs the tutoring program, three or four students were tutored in the first year, six or eight in the second, and 10 during the third. In this fourth year, 30 students are being tutored.

Now there is an excess of tutors, but as new requests come in each day, Fegely is not sure

the surplus will last.

"For the time being, there are enough, but we don't know how the thing's going to mushroom. We'd like to see it mushroom," he said.

Fegely said that student-tutor relationship is overwhelmingly positive. The tutors enjoy the experience of teaching and young students enjoy the contact with college-age people.

Anyone who is interested in tutoring, in any subject, should stop in at the Union office weekday afternoons from four to six and register with Fegely.

Fegely said that Ursinus is providing the service in compliance with suggestions made by the state and federal governments that colleges work to

improve the overall quality of education in their area.

Through an arrangement with the Methacton, Perkiomen Valley, and Spring-Ford school districts, high school and junior high school students who cannot afford a certified teacher for tutoring are referred to Ursinus for tutoring at six dollars an hour.

The only limit on the subjects open to tutoring is the availability of interested Ursinus people.

"The college is not formally connected in any way with this," Fegely said. "We act as a clearinghouse for the college students and the students of the school districts."

Fegely hopes that the provision of tutoring will become an official operation of the college.



Chuck Brucker

College Students have trouble managing money, survey shows

By JOSEPH F. PIRRO

Hey brother, can you spare a dime? Here at Ursinus or at any other college institution this is a tough question to answer. The College Press Service (CPS) has released the results of a survey of 2,400 college students at campuses nationwide which reveals that more than 76 percent of today's students start college lacking the money management skills necessary for day to day living. Basically this study says that only two of every 10 college students have the necessary financial skills to control spending habits and manage funds.

The president of TeleCheck Services, the check-approval firm who sponsored the survey, believes that, "It appears that our high schools are graduating students into universities, but not arming them with the financial skills they need once they get there."

The CPS article stated that over 70 percent of all college students have their own checking accounts, and 54 percent pay

most of their bills and expenses by personal checks. From experience, it is far easier to write a check for \$40 than it is to pull out two \$20 bills from a wallet. But, of course, checking accounts can lead to certain problems. They must be balanced correctly, or the bank makes you pay (literally). Just ask anyone who has "bounced" a check. Accidents like this occur because "most parents never show their children how to balance a checkbook," according to Larry O'Neill, TeleCheck communications director. And banks typically "give a young person a checkbook and send them on their way" without ever explaining how to manage a checking account, he adds.

College students have limited amounts of money and it is important that they use it wisely. The study also released some interesting figures on college spending per year. About one-fifth of the students spend between \$500 and \$1,000 a year on entertainment and living ex-

penses other than tuition. According to the survey, an additional 31 percent spend between \$1,000 and \$2,500 a year, and 26 percent have non-tuition expenses of over \$5,000 a year.

The survey also says, "Nearly half of all student rely completely or very much on their parents or jobs for financial support." Only 18 percent do not use their parents as financial crutches, and 17 percent depend completely on loans and grants.

Most high schools treat money management the same way as they treat sex education: they avoid it. Perhaps schools, including Ursinus, along with banks and other financial services should begin to take time to teach students about practical, everyday management of money.

Learning how to use money properly is important for the management of life's activities. Knowing how much money we have allows us to plan for the future. When parents take care of a child's money, it leaves the student in the position of a middleman with the money. On the other hand, many students do not have any money to manage. Most students who have money spend it because they have always had it. Thus, they are under the impression that there is an endless stream of funds. However, a lot of us will have a rude awakening one day when we are in the real world.

Other Ursinus students offered their thoughts on this topic of managing money at school. Wayne Braccia says, "Let's talk

debt to equity ratio...There is a little Leonard Tose in all of us." Keith Wood believes that "no one respects the value of a dollar anymore."

At college we are on our own. So it becomes a problem of responsibility since our parents are not here to watch over our spending. Scott Johnson believes, "high schools do not prepare students well enough to be able to spend money as a freshman while on your own." He also added, "If we didn't have alcohol allocations, we'd be golden."

Then, of course, there are the freshmen who are now entering their second semester of trying to grapple with the difficult task of money management at college. Chris Connolley explained his

thoughts, "A lot of my money is going to a lot of the things that parent's didn't expect me to be spending it on, like beer." A classmate, Mario Spina, seems to be a little more concerned with the problem. "There are an overwhelming amount of activities which cause the average, unemployed college student to go broke by the end of the first semester," he said. Finally Tom Anthony, another freshman assessed the situation. "All the money spent up here is mine, for me to do whatever I want with it. But as soon as it is gone. I don't get anymore." Tom also added a suggestion which could cut down on spending: move the 7-11 and put an age limit of 30 years for purchasing rights."

Campus Life surveys possible displacements

The Campus Life Committee, in an effort to accommodate those most susceptible to displacement, has recently sent out a "short survey" to these students. Specifically - these surveys were sent to under-grad men on second and third floors of Remert Complex and the women's houses under consideration: 424, 426, 476 and 624 Main St., along with Todd Hall, Schaff, Kegwin and Olevian. The survey will provide the Campus Life Committee with information concerning which houses and suites are most likely to be occupied next year by the present residents. This will help the committee to accommodate the students so that the fewest displacements occur.

students are also under consideration. The suggestions are:

- 1) to give the displaced students priority over all classes in room selection (following last years answer to the problem),
- 2) to give the displaced students priority over their own class, or
- 3) to put the displaced students back into the regular room selection process of the campus.

A meeting of the Campus Life Committee will be held next week to review the results of the surveys and to make some viable suggestions. In the following week, all interested students will be urged to attend an open-campus meeting where the proposals of the Campus Life Committee will be presented and all voices will be heard.

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Ursinus take heart . . .

High-power athletic programs don't mean more money for schools

By COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

Contrary to some campus sports boosters' claim that heavy investment in athletics helps the entire college, winning athletic teams do not help universities bring in more money from alumni or businesses, a researcher has concluded after combining 12 studies of the issue.

University of Nevada at Las Vegas professor James Frey says all the studies indicate successful athletic teams never increase — and often reduce — contributions to an institution.

Frey's conclusions, summarized in an article in the January issue of *Currents*, published by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, provide new ammunition for critics of intercollegiate athletic programs that do not pay for themselves.

Frey, an associate sociology professor, acknowledges some winning teams help athletic departments raise money, but not other parts of the school.

"Most observers tacitly accept the belief that big time athletic programs are partly justified because they boost fundraising," Frey notes. "It's time we realized that just isn't so."

The studies also show that "an institution that concentrates the bulk of its effort on raising money for athletics will probably not raise as much as it could for other programs," he writes.

"By the same token, strategies that use athletics as a vehicle to raise monies for academic purposes are also unlikely to be successful," he adds.

Most college administrators contacted by CPS seem to agree.

University of Pennsylvania officials say their fund drive was no more successful in the two years before its football team won or shared two consecutive Ivy League championships than in the two after.

"I'd rather have the team winning because that's one less excuse for not giving," Steve Derby, the director of alumni giving, says. "But in terms of what prompts people to give, it just doesn't seem to make that much difference."

Contributions to the school's athletic department fund drive, however, have jumped substantially.

Notre Dame officials agree.

Notre Dame's flagging football fortunes — its team has won only five more games than it has lost over the past four seasons — haven't affected donations at all, development director Tom Bloom says.

And asking Notre Dame football fans who are not alumni for money has never worked out well, spokesman Richard Conklin adds.

"Football may be the only thing they know about this place, but they treat us like a professional team," Conklin says. "You cheer for the Yankees, but you don't send them a check."

Conklin says the percentage of Notre Dame alumni making donations to their alma mater fluctuates between 45 and 55 percent each year, but he says the changes cannot be correlated to the success of the school's athletic teams.

Even Boston College development director Dennis Macro, whose school has reversed a long tradition of gridiron mediocrity in recent years and gained national exposure, does not expect donations to increase substantially.

"In the long run it's going to

help us because it's one more thing to make someone proud of this institution," Macro says. "But the effect is ever so subtle. Someone might write us a check this time and not even know why he did it."

But Brigham Young University officials dissent.

Development director Lee Gibbons called Frey's article "misleading," largely because it includes what he calls "stale and outdated material."

Dale McCann, who has directed BYU's athletic booster program for the past 10 years, is convinced winning teams boost donations for both athletic programs and institutions as a whole.

"Giving is an emotional thing," McCann says. "We need their attention, and a winning team resurrects pride and interest in a school."

McCann acknowledges, however, that he has no empirical evidence indicating there is a correlation.

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schools in Pennsylvania by "Pennsylvania Magazine." According to President Richter, "Ursinus is a group of caring people, which is essential to society...In society we will need these human relationship skills which were learned at Ursinus." All of these factors have led to a high retention rate, which is characteristic of the very best colleges.

immensely. For him, coming to America to teach is a dream come true.

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This student's name is, incidentally, being withheld by the Weekly. Finally, one Ursinus student asked, "If an intelligent school like Haverford doesn't (have fraternities), why should we?"

And in Conclusion...

Several significant conclusions can be drawn from the results of this poll. First of all the Ursinus College student body decidedly favors the systems of fraternities and sororities, and the idea of separate houses. Secondly, not all fraternity and sorority members believe that Ursinus should have fraternities and sororities. Third, over one-half of the poll sample desires to keep the fraternity-sorority system select and "cliquish" by limiting the number of such organizations on the Ursinus campus. In fact, the fraternity-sorority members are most desirous of this trend (63%), whereas the inactive members would most like to see the fraternity-sorority system expanded (37.5%) so as to allow a greater number of students to join these organizations.

• Elections

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members of the Election Committee ignored their responsibility before hand." Nelligan is a member of the committee.

The format of the new elections may be unlike what students are used to as a result of many procedural problems discussed during the meeting.

Nelligan could not be specific about how the new election will be different, but said, "You can count on a good election next time."

Many members commented on the lack of privacy a voter has at the table placed near the main entrance of the dining hall. Nelligan said it was not right for a voter to be harassed by one candidates friends while voting.

One member also said that extra votes may have been cast by students who grabbed and filled out more than one ballot, a practice made possible by free access to the stack of ballots.

Nelligan and McKeon both mentioned the use of voting machines to alleviate these problems.

The fact that the new election will occur during Wellness Week interested Nelligan. "We'll be promoting trust and wellness among students in an election," he said. He expressed disappointment with the behavior of many students during the process.

"Concerned freshmen" Furjanic and Lynne Hertenberger said that they were unaware of qualifications or positions of the candidates. Discussion of the lack of publicity was brief as Nelligan emphasized that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the merits of a new election.

Kawashima enjoys UC life

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program, students from Ursinus, F & M, and Hood and spend three weeks of the summer in Japan, and Tohoku Gauguin students spend three weeks here. Although Ursinus has sent students five times to Japan. Kawashima is the first faculty member to travel to another country on this program.

Kawashima has been impressed by the U.S. "America is the best country in the world so far as human beings have been able to create in terms of freedom, stability, and materialistic welfare," he said. Although Japan appears to be western, its culture is very eastern, and consequently very rigid. This can be seen in the Japanese school system, which is extremely strict and competitive until the student reaches college. American college students tend to work harder than Japanese college students, although the school work is easier early on.

Kawashima predicts that

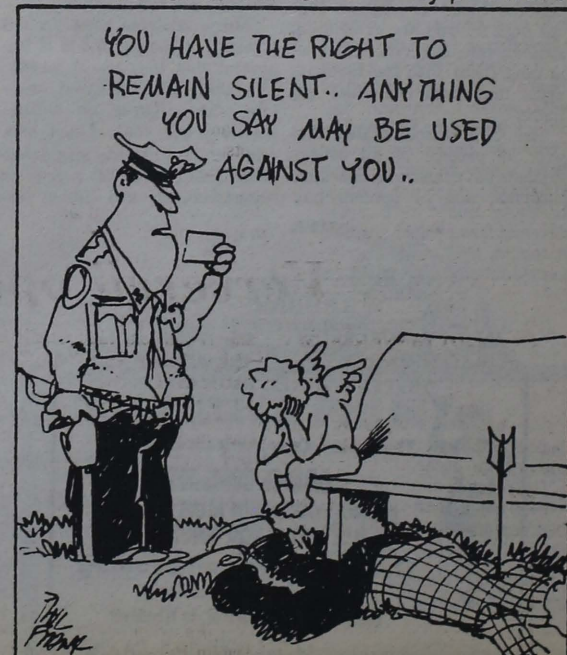
Japan will allow more freedom in the future, but adds that the Japanese people "don't feel as though they are controlled. They are happy." He says that change is occurring as it should, "gradually, not radically."

Besides finding U.S. life favorable, Kawashima says that the students and faculty at Ursinus are terrific. "People are so kind, unbelievably kind and considerate," he said. He mentions that the Ursinus community in general has made a special effort to make him comfortable, lending him warm clothes during the cold spell and eating with him in Wismer.

The only unhappy aspect of Kawashima's visit to the U.S. is that he is away from his family. He misses his wife Kieko, daughter Megume, and sons Takashi and Hisashi very much.

However, Kawashima has no regrets about his decision to come here. He loves to teach and enjoys his Japanese studies class

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Wiehler notches 14-second fall.

Grapplers keep winning

Last week was a good one for the wrestling Bears. They finished their dual meet season with five consecutive victories after having lost the two previous matches. The Bears finished with a 14-4 team log; a winning but slightly disappointing record.

On Feb. 7, Coach Racich and the team hosted a tri-meet with LaSalle and Haverford. The Bears had little difficulty with the two teams. Everyone won in the match against Haverford, running up the score to 51-0. The grapplers didn't have too much trouble with LaSalle either. The Grizzlies only loss was at 158, where Scott Braderman was decked. The score of this pouncing was 54-6. The big day was a

great way to end the home careers of the six graduating seniors on the team: Ralph Paolone, Bob Wiehler, Joe Lattanzi, Prody Ververeli, Brian Smith, and Ron Wenk.

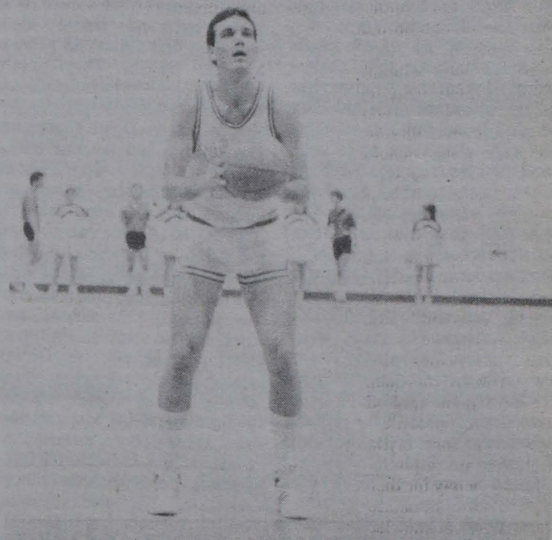
Swarthmore was the site of Saturday's quad-meet, with Johns Hopkins and Widener rounding out the foursome of teams. Ursinus once again, had no trouble winning any of their three matches.

Widener was their first victim. The Bears forfeited the 118 lb. bout to Clay Hathaway, giving Widener their only points of the match. Dan Donahoe won 9-2 at 126, followed by two pins at 134 and 142. Ben Randazzo pinned his opponent in 1:23, while Wiehler decked his in 1:36. Joe Lattanzi

and Prody Ververeli picked up decisions at 150 and 167, while Brian Smith had a forfeit at 158. Then came another series of falls at 177, 190 and unlimited. K.C. McCleary registered a fall in 2:30, and Wenk in 1:58. Bill Furlong raised the final score to 45-6 with his pin.

The Bears then moved on to soundly defeat Johns Hopkins by a score of 43-12. This match was the first for Ralph Paolone, who was returning after a knee injury. Ralph wrestled to a major decision at 118. Once again the series of falls began. Donahoe at 126, Madison at 134 in 28 seconds, and Wiehler with a technical fall

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Chuck Brucker

Senior matmen get last shot at MAC title

Record-breaking wrestler stages his own duals

By ELLIOT TANNENBAUM
Sports Information
Special to The Grizzly

Ron Wenk has decided to come clean.

Wenk may be closing in on an Ursinus College record for wrestling victories, but he admits that he once considered fixing a match. He never went through with it, but he was ready and willing.

It happened about a year ago. An overflow crowd crammed into the tiny arena and shouted itself hoarse while the two competitors struggled for their very lives. Ron Wenk alone, and no one else, knew how it would end.

The match pitted Czar, Wenk's pet spider, against a visiting

praying mantis. It took place in an empty fish tank in Wenk's dorm room, with Wenk in the role of promoter, ring announcer and referee.

"About a year and a half ago, everybody was getting fish for pets," said Wenk, a senior from Exton, and a former district champ at Downingtown High. "That was the thing around here. I said the heck with fish, I want something different. So I went to a pet store and got Czar.

"He looks like a tarantula. He's big and he's orange with black spots. He's what they call a 'bud-eating spider.'

"Anyhow, we set up a gladiator contest between him and a big praying mantis we found in the

woods. They went at it for about 20 minutes, and people were going crazy. Half the kids in the dorm crowded into my room. It was unreal — a royal cage match at the Spectrum. We could have sold tickets.

"The mantis got Czar on his side, and it looked like he was in trouble. I was going to flick them apart. No way I was going to let him lose. But Czar finally killed the thing, spun a web around it and ate it."

Czar must have learned something from his master. Ron Wenk has been devouring opponents for Ursinus for the last four years. With a career record of 56-10-2 (including 52 regular-season wins), he needs just five

more victories to tie Greg Gifford's regular-season school record of 57.

Gifford, who finished third at the NCAA Division III championships in 1981, is now an attorney and a volunteer assistant coach at Ursinus.

Wenk, who usually wrestles at 190 pounds, has won 12 of 15 matches so far this year — 11 by pin, the 12th on a forfeit. He has a shot at breaking his own school record of 19 pins in a season, a mark he set last year.

Eight of his 11 pins this year have come in the first two minutes. Blink during a Ron Wenk match, and you've missed the match.

Take the tri-meet Jan. 22

against Muhlenberg and heavyweight, he came in third but won the meet award for most pins (four of his five matches). A week later, he took the 190 title at the inaugural LaSalle Invitational.

A year ago, Wenk steamed through the regular season 20-0, only to be upset in the quarterfinals of the Middle Atlantic Conference championships. He ended up taking the fifth-place medal (even though he'd beaten both finalists in dual meets) and finishing the season 24-2.

"My weakness is, I hate to train. I'm not really in great aerobic shape," he admitted.

(See WENK, P7)

Ververeli operates on the mats for now

By ELLIOT TANNENBAUM
Sports Information
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The surgeon glided his scalpel from chest down to navel, and suddenly they were staring into a stew of vital organs.

He reached into the incision, pulled out a fistful of intestines and rummaged through them like a shopper pawing through a bargain table at K-mart. He found what he was looking for — a bleeding ulcer — and went to work.

The surgical team consisted of several skilled professionals and

one 17-year-old high school kid named Prody Ververeli. Today Ververeli is a pre-med student at Ursinus College, he's ranked No. 2 academically in the senior class, and he's trying to decide which of three medical schools to attend.

Oh, one more thing. He's also one of the top wrestlers in the Middle Atlantic Conference.

Prodromos Alexander Ververeli, the son of Greek immigrants who now live in Ambler, Pa., decided back at Upper Dublin High that he would be a surgeon one day. But did he have

the stomach for it? He found the answer in 1981 through a month-long community service program run by Upper Dublin.

"My senior year, I earned class credit for helping the surgeons at Chestnut Hill Hospital," Ververeli recalled. "I actually scrubbed up and held retractors, clamps, things like that. I took part in about 20 operations, and it didn't bother me at all, even though you're looking down into people.

"One operation, when they were finished they stuffed the man's organs back in his body,

threw in a quart of water and sort of swished them around so they'd settle back in their proper place. I knew if I could get through that, I was all right."

As a wrestler, Prody Ververeli is more than all right. Through Feb. 6, he owned a 19-1 record for Ursinus this year, with 16 straight victories and six pins (including one in 22 seconds, another in 27). His only loss came in overtime to a 1984 NCAA qualifier.

In December, Ververeli captured the 167-pound title at the LaSalle Invitational and finished

second at the prestigious Lebanon Valley Invitational, a meet studded with 24 all-Americans. He'll probably be the favorite in his weight class at the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) championships Feb. 15-16.

"It's pretty amazing what Prody's done, because he didn't have the natural ability to be a wrestler," Ursinus coach Bill Racich declared. "He worked and worked and worked to be a champion

"He's a student of the sport. He (See PRODY, P7)

Mer chat

Mers dunk Dips

By SCOTT WILLIS

Well kids, it looks like it's getting to be that time of year again, the time when all of the little 'mers out here in Merland wind down the season (or wind up the season) at MAC championships this year in Baltimore, Merland at Johns Hopkins. But enough of that sentimental caca. On to the fightin' Ursini. Since last time the 'mers have stretched their now formidable record to 9-1. Last Saturday the Ursini lept into action against F & M in their old pool. But the Ursini didn't have an easy time of it. Through some mellow swimming the dreaded F & M'ers were ahead but their breaststroker false started. The race, which had been completed, was shrouded in controversy. It ended up that the race had to be swum over again and that their premier breaststroker one Carlos "Julio Eglasius" Cassals wasn't allowed to compete. So it came

down to the 200 breaststroke in which we needed a one-two finish. Skeeter's and Chuckles were up on the "blocks." F & M put an unofficial man in lane 5. He went early but the Ursini stood steadfast like statues of granite, on the blocks. They finally started. Skeeter took it out and finished well in front, it was now up to Chucky Dunn. Going into the seventh lap he was behind (come on Chuck!). On the last lap it looked hopeless, he was still behind. But Poseidon said "let that boy have some energy." And he did. And he won. And there was much rejoicing.

Following that heart-thumper on Saturday, the Ursini made their way to swim in Baltimore, Merland, against an equally strong Loyola and not-so equally strong York. Again standout performances by younger 'mers and Jerry. Jerry swam like a Bodacious Ta-ta in the 100 free in a shade over 55 seconds (this was

in a meter pool). This win raised the Ursini record to 9-1. This author believes that this record offers Ursinus the best winning percentages at this school. Hey administration (Athletic Dept.) how about some recognition, huh! The last regular meet of the season was yesterday (Feb. 14) at Kings, see your nearest bulletin board for details.

It's time again for the award-winning section of the article: 'mer chick of the week: it was a close race this week but Debbie "Clog" Clough won out over Chucky Dunn mainly because Chucky's hair is too short. Sorry Chuck. Deb is the epitome of grace and beauty in and out of the pool. And her leadership and utter cluelessness should be a model for us all. Well it's time to wrap it up again until next time and this week is closing. I'd like to thank Randy Davidson for the great season because without him it would all still be possible.

Mermaids win three, lose one

The Ursinus Women's Swim Team ended their dual meet season this past Tuesday with a tri-meet against York and Loyola. The women fell to Division I Loyola but defeated York by a large margin.

The Camp sisters lead in scoring once again. Heather took first place in the 1,000 and 500 freestyles and Heidi won the 50 and 100 frees. The medley relay team of Kim Keister, Debbie Clough, Maria Pribula and Joanne Bateman and the freestyle relay team of Tiffany Brown, Kim Keister, Heather Camp and Heidi Camp took first place against York while Junior Amy David and Senior Bonnie Keene pulled out valuable second and third places in the 200 butterfly and 200 breaststroke. Senior Meg Early won the 3 meter diving event.

Last weekend the "mer" chicks traveled to F & M to face a traditional rivalry. Much to the surprise of coach Sieracki, the girls crushed F & M by a score of 62-42. Bob commented, "I can't believe it. The girls keeping

surprising me more and more — what a bunch!" First place finishes included Tiffany Brown in the 200 free; Heather Camp in the 1,000 and 500 freestyle; Heidi Camp in the 50 and 100 freestyles; Meg Early in the 1 meter diving and Joanne Bateman, Heather Camp, Heidi Camp and Tiffany Brown in the 400 free relay. Second place finishers were Kim Keister in the 1,000 free; Amy David in the 200 I.M. and 200 fly; Lynne Messier in the 1 meter diving; Maria Pribula in the 200 backstroke; Debbie Clough in the 200 breaststroke and Bonnie Keene in the 500 free.

Two weeks ago, the women faced Elizabethtown and came out on top with a score of 56-42. The women won 10 out of 13 events: the medley relay team of Amy David, Bonnie Keene, Maria Pribula and Tiffany Brown; Heather Camp in the 1,000 free; Amy David in the 200 free and 400 I.M. (new school record); Heidi Camp in the 50 and 100 freestyles; Tiffany Brown in the 100 backstroke;

UC Grad writes book

"When I first saw Bob Sing throw the javelin as an undergraduate for Ursinus College, it was a frozen moment of perfection," notes Al Cantello, head track and field coach at the U.S. Naval Academy.

For Bob Sing, a graduate of Ursinus College who is now an osteopathic surgeon at Philadelphia's Metropolitan Hospital, javelin throwing has become a way of life. In fact, he has just published "The

Dynamics of the Javelin Throw. "Participation in the sport of javelin throwing has consumed a significant portion of my life — 17 years to be exact," says Sing.

In "The Dynamics of the Javelin Throw," Sing presents to coaches and athletes a complete synopsis of javelin throwing as he understands it, as well as an extensive review of the available literature published over the past 30 years.

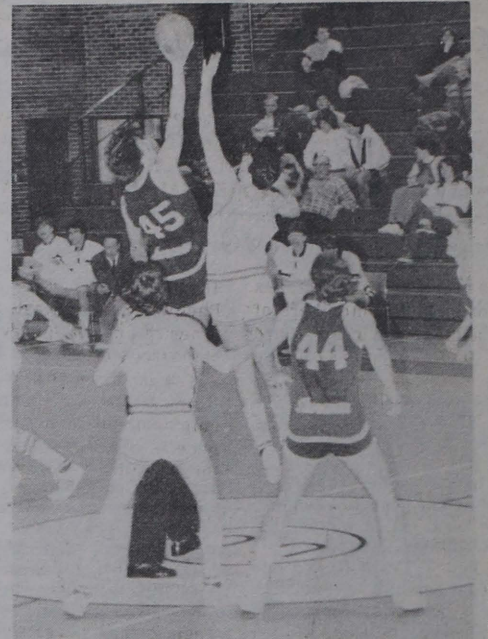
Debbie Clough in the 100 breaststroke and Joanne Bateman, Maria Pribula, Tiffany Brown and Heidi Camp in the 200 free relay. The divers — Meg Early, Lynne Messier and Janine Jones swept the 1 meter event. Congratulations to Meg who qualified for Division III Nationals with her score that day!

The women have one more week to go before travelling to Johns Hopkins for the MAC championships. Co-captains Bonnie Keene and Debbie Clough commented, "We're going to be ready for MAC's this year. Everyone's giving their best and we know it will pay off next weekend!" Well, Lon, our biggest fan, we hope to see you there!

Lady Hoopsters' losing ways continue

By MICHAEL MARCON
The Lady Bears faced their toughest challenge of the season last Thursday night when they played Philadelphia Textile. The Division II power strolled into Hellfreich Hall boasting a 14-3 record and a sophomore All-American.

U.C. trailed the entire game but played well. The 90-42 final score is no indication of the game that U.C. played. Laura DeSimone turned in another fine performance with 12 points and a team high five rebounds. Nancy Karkoska also continued her hot streak. She led the team with 13 points. Kris Karr had four assists and Bobbie Sue Copley had five boards. All-American Vincene Morris led Textile with 27 points.



Chuck Brucker

B-ball drops two MAC hopes dashed

By JOHN CALLAHAN

The Bears dropped a pair of games last week to Western Maryland and Conference rival Washington College to bring their record to 10-14.

In the game against Western Maryland the team lost by a score of 76-68. Sophomore guard John Boyle led the scoring with 20 points. Boyle, a product of Father Judge High School in Philadelphia, had his finest game of the season as he hit on eight of his nine shots from the field. Senior Mike Harte continued to play excellent basketball as he fired in 16 points on seven for nine shooting. Tim Timko added 12 for the Bears and Mike Schaffer pulled down 11 rebounds.

The Bears needed a victory over Washington to give them a chance to make the MAC playoffs, but couldn't pull off the upset and lost 72-57 in a game much closer than the final score indicates. The team played well for the first three quarters of the game, but hit a cold spell down the stretch and Washington took a lead which they never relinquished. Mike Sarrubbi led the scoring with 12 points followed by Harte with nine points and nine rebounds.

Senior Rob Volko continues to lead the team in scoring, averaging 12.4 points per game. Schaffer leads the Bears in rebounding with 6.7 boards per game.

The next game on the Bears' schedule (they play four games in five days) was MAC leading Moravian.

Once again a sluggish start hurt the chances for a win. The Lady Bears were down 47-22 at the half. There was some consolation in winning the second half (39-31) after regaining composure. Jean Radwanski played well in her first starting role. Big days were turned in by Karkoska, Copley and DeSimone. Nancy Karkoska pumped in 14 points. Laura DeSimone scorched the twine for 18 points, and also had four assists and five rebounds. Bobbie Sue Copley led the Bears in rebounds with nine.

Even being a predominately Catholic college didn't help the

Lady Bears on Sunday against Cabrini. An excellent backcourt, a huge frontcourt (5'11", 5'9", 5'10"), and the famous bad start spelled defeat for U.S. Cabrini dumped the Bears 96-65. Kris Carr returned to the spotlight for the first since her 28 point outburst against Swarthmore with 10 points and five assists. Linda Hughes led U.C. with a career high 18 points and some fine all-around play. Bobbie Sue Copley, Ange Woods, and Missy O'Donnell all contributed eight points.

The Lady Bears took to end their slide with games at West Chester on Monday and at home against Widner on Saturday and F & M on Wednesday.

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• Grapplers

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in 4:10. Lattanzi won a 6-0 decision then Smith recorded the second technical fall in 2:55. Ververeli chipped in six points with a fall in 1:48. At 177, freshman Pete Fazio was decked by senior Bill Nolan. Wenk added a quick pin in 1:00, then Johns Hopkins picked up their second bout when Bill Furlong was pinned at heavyweight.

Two down, one to go — Swarthmore. The results were

about the same. The Ursinus wrestlers may not have been wrestling their toughest opponents, but as individuals and a team, everyone wrestled very

well. Paolone and Smith picked up forfeits. Donahoe, Randazzo, and Ververeli won decisions while, McCleary dropped one. Wiehler, Lattanzi, and Wenk contributed pins, and Furlong lost on a technical fall. The final score was 40-9.

The three wins by Ron Wenk helped him to tie the school record for the most career wins.

Wenk is tied with All-American Greg Gifford.

Bob Wiehler recorded one of the fastest, if not the fastest fall, in Ursinus history. He did this against Swarthmore's Rafael Richards in 11 seconds.

The Bears will be wrestling in MAC's today and tomorrow at Widener. With a healthy line-up, 1984 "Coach of the Year" Bill Racich is looking to be a frontrunner in team standings. Along with assistant coaches Ripp and Moore, Racich is hoping to better last year's fourth place finish.

Ever wonder what other schools think of our namesake's name? This headline ran in The College Reporter, F & M's school paper after they beat our football team last fall:

'Dips decongest Ursinus'

Dips? Dips? People in glass houses...

• Wenk

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Messiah. Wenk flattened his first opponent in 32 seconds, the second in 21 seconds.

"Without a doubt, he's one of the most talented wrestlers ever to walk through the doors at Ursinus," said coach Bill Racich, who saw his Bears (currently 7-2) ring up a 16-2 record last year, best in school history. "We depend on him for big points, and he always pulls us through in clutch matches.

"Every match, we expect him

to win. In the Moravian match last year, we needed a pin for six points. Methodically, he went out and pinned his man. Scranton match, same thing. We needed a pin — boom!

Wenk, an economics major, plans to go into business like his other brother, Ray, when his wrestling career ends. Ray runs a fast-food chicken restaurant in Exton, and Wenk helps manage the place during the summer.

"One night about two years, I was running the place for him and I ran out of chickens," he recalled with a laugh. "That's like a pizza place running out of

dough — you don't do it. "We had more chickens in the freezer, but it was going to take about 20 minutes to defrost them. It was crazy — people coming into a chicken place that didn't have any chicken. I was scared my brother was going to walk in and freak out.

"We kept the customers there by offering them free drinks, things like that, and not too many of them walked out. It turned out okay."

With an Ursinus school record practically in his pocket, so will Ron Wenk's wrestling career.

• Prody

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thinks, he analyzes, he selects the move that'll work. He's so organized, it's scary. He never wavers off that line, never has peaks or valleys."

At Upper Dublin, Ververeli made second-team all-league in both football and wrestling as a senior — while finishing fourth academically in a class of nearly 450.

He went 7-3 and 8-2 his first two years at Ursinus as a part-time starter. Then last year he went 13-2 and stunned most observers by winning a fifth-place medal at the MAC championships.

On the mat, Ververeli is a craftsman, not an animal. He approaches every bout with the

kind of painstaking care he'll bring to major surgery one day. He's never been pinned in his college career, and only once in high school.

"That was a problem in the beginning," Racich said. "He overanalyzed. He thought too much instead of reacting. Last year we finally got him to react instinctively, and now he's the best 167-pounder in the conference."

By graduation day this spring, Ververeli could move up one notch and become the No. 1 student in the senior class. Since entering Ursinus, he's pulled an A in every course except...er, badminton?

"It was a half-credit phys ed course I took in my freshman year," he remembered. "Only got a B+ in it. My sister, whenever she sees anybody playing badminton, she puts a little dig in there. Every year she says she's going to buy me a badminton racquet for Christmas."

If Prody Ververeli put his mind to it, he could probably become a world champion in badminton. His work habits come from his father, who held down three jobs at once after arriving in the U.S. and now owns his own dry

cleaning business. "Whenever there's a question about whether I should do something, I don't have to ask him," Prody said. "I just look at

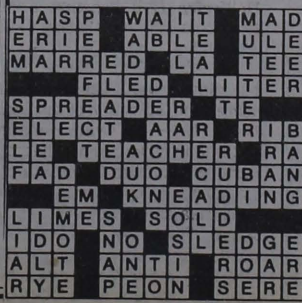
him and I know I'd better do it. In junior high, when I wanted to go out, he'd say, 'Did you finish your studies' and give me this look. He knew I couldn't lie to him.

"I guess it rubbed off on me. Everything I do has to be just right or it'll destroy me. When I'm reading over my notes for an exam and something's misspelled, I can't go on unless I get to a dictionary and look it up.

"In a match, if I miss a move, I'll replay it in my mind for 30 seconds and tell myself, 'Why didn't I do it when I had a chance.' Coach'll see I'm not paying attention to what's going on now, and he'll scream, 'Don't get frustrated!'"

Ververeli came of age on the mat last year when he upset a defending MAC champ from Upsala in a 19-17 steel-cager.

"We didn't tell him he was wrestling the conference champ," coach Racich recalled. "He didn't find out till after the match, and he had this gleam in his eye, like 'Hey, maybe I can be a college wrestler after all.'" And maybe a little more.



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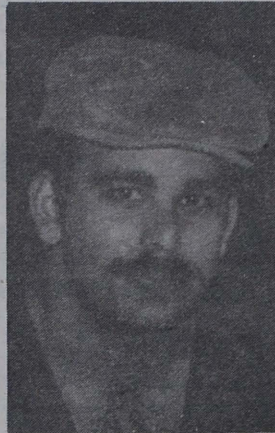
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ROVING REPORTER

"If you had the power to bring a major rock concert to Ursinus, what act would you choose?"

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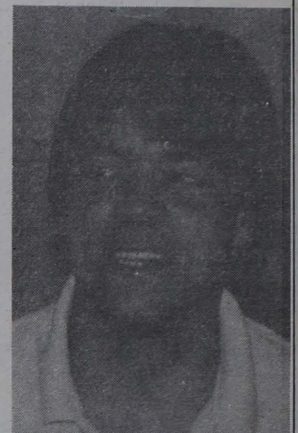
Dave Spause Jr.
Math Major

"Springsteen, I want to see Spennato go nuts."



Linda Troutman Sr.
Applied Math/Econ major

"Bruce Springsteen, he was here before when he was a nothing. He should come back now that he is something."



Joel Davies Soph.
Int. Rel. major

"Springsteen, all the way. He is #1."

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