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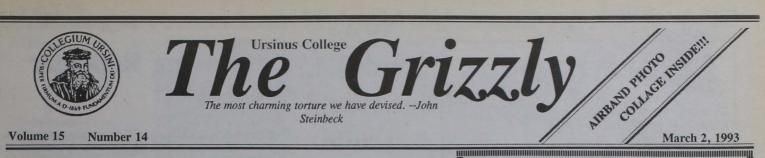
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Airband Raises Over \$1300 for Charity

BY SARAH STARR Features Editor

When the entire campus flocks to the cafeteria on a Friday night to see men dressed as women, women dressed as men, plastic fluorescent bras, bikini-clad co-eds, and a dead ringer for Ed Grimley it can only mean one thing: Airband is back!

This year's proceeds went to the Laurel House, a shelter for abused women and their children. A private, non-profit organization, the shelter offers peer support and counseling for women whose lives are hurt by domestic violence. The entire staff of the Laurel House is composed of volunteers, and it is funded solely by donations. Campus organizers, participants and all those in attendance for Airband '93 can be proud to have helped raise upwards of \$1,300 for this worthy cause.

The competition began shortly after 8 p.m. Held in Wismer's transformed upper level, this year's entertainment consisted of eight creative acts. Participants not only vied for top placings, but performed under the watchful eye of Lawrence Axmith, talent coordinator for MTV's most recent gameshow "Lip Service." Axmith is looking for earned them second place in the

over 100 new acts for the competition. approaching season, and brought his team of talent scouts to Ursinus in hopes of spotting potential contestants.

Beta Sigma Lambda's very own Robert Palmer Girls were the first to delight the audience with "Simply Irresistible." Hats off to these nineties women who are proud of their bodies. Who says you have to be a leggy stick to be a supermodel? The Beta Sig pledges proved that the Rubenesque physique is back in fashion.

Composed of sisters of Omega Chi, Whak-a-Sedaka performed a very original rendition of "Calendar Girl." Ladykiller Ed Grimley, formerly of Saturday Night Live, made a cameo appearance in the act to lead the girls to their third place victory. Rumor has it that Ed is a friend of Kristin Baldini, and flew in just for Airband. However, many eyewitnesses reported seeing him afterwards in Reimert, and even at brunch on Saturday.

Next to perform were the KDK Cats, with a version of "Grease Lightning." Pi Nu Epsilon followed with a dramatic interpretation of a medley of music from Phantom of the Opera, which

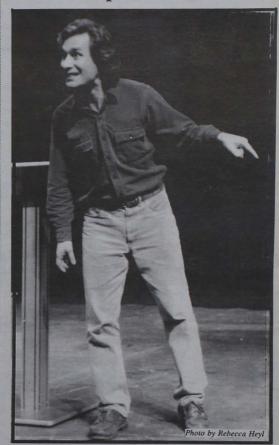
The girls of Phi Alpha Psi entertained the crowd to the tune of "Otto Titsling." Moviegoers may remember the song from the movie Beaches. A musical theory on the invention of the brassiere, Phi Psi's comedic rendition most definitely scored points for originality.

The difficulty of finding "One Good Man" was the theme of the effort put forth by Alpha Sigma Nu. They were followed by Tau Sigma Gamma, who performed a pajama party routine to "My Boyfriend's Back" that won the judges' approval and landed them the Airband Championship for 1993

In their debut performance as Airband participants, the recently established Chi Rho Psi fraternity, more commonly known as the Roughnecks, gave an energetic performance to Wrexx-In-Effect's 'Rumpshaker.'' Although the obvious crowd favorite, the guys ended up empty handed. "We didn't enter to win, just to have fun," said member and participant Scott Taylor. The group had only one week to prepare, which accounts for not every brother being able to

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The Gospel of Dr. Luke



Actor Bruce Kern presenting his solo performance of "The Gospel of Dr. Luke" last Wednesday.

The United States of Europe with Modern Languages

BY FREDERIC MORVANY Special to the Grizzly

Invited by the Modern Language Department, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Villanova University Dr. Alan J. Dillingham, came to Ursinus on Monday, February 22 to speak about the state of the European single market. He gave an overall optimistic account of the Union in the making, but his understanding was that European nations would not merge politically within the next hundred years. He also addressed those among the Americans who see the European Community as an elaborate device to dodge buying U.S. products,

saying that America has to expect competition from Europe, not protectionism. It would also open a much wider market to U.S. goods with the abolition of inter-European trade barriers.

He first evoked the reasons why European countries that had often engaged in long, internecine wars against each other now felt the urge to create a European Economic Community and get rid of the tariffs which fragmented their trade and used to make it more expensive than it needed to be. One of the reasons he mentioned was the Eurosclerosis" experienced after the disastrous oil crises of the 1970's, which forced European

nations to find new ways of supporting their extensive Welfare programs. But only in 19885 was a white paper for a Europe without frontiers signed; it was known as the Single European Act of 1985, and dealt with technical and economic issues, but failed to address all matters political.

According to Dr. Dillingham, the reunification of Germany in 1990 added momentum to the construction of the E.E.C.: History taught Germany's neighbors that their security and prosperity would be better assured if the German federation's power is monitored within and by a larger community. It also caused the twelve countries currently in the E.E.C. to think more urgently of greater sociopolitical dimensions for their citizens. In 1992 they came up with the Maastricht Treaty, enforced from January 1st, 1993. Every country does not agree on the Treaty's proposals about social legislation, trade union management or European single currency, especially the Danes, who most unexpectedly refused to ratify the Treaty, and the British, who do their utmost to make it null and voice. Their main fear is that they will lose their political and economic independence, an attitude Dr. Dillingham qualified as unjustified. According to the new

system of representation the Maastricht Treaty does not have to be accepted by all to be enacted by any one member. Dr. Dillingham said that Great Britain and Denmark, or any country that would not agree to the revised version of the Treaty, would face the possibility of not being fully integrated in the European single market as defined at the Schengen Conference of late 1992, and signed by all but Britain, Ireland and Denmark.

So far the European Community has been successful in easing customs procedures: trucks and cars

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Global Perspectives

BY MARK LEISER Of the Grizzly

INTERNATIONAL

--President Clinton announced his plans to airlift food and medicine to remote areas of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Mr. Clinton assured everyone that this operation would be fully coordinated with the United Nations.

--Two 10-year-old boys from Liverpool are now being formally charged with murder after abducting and murdering a 2-year-old child. The two boys are believed to be the youngest children ever charged with murder in Britain.

--Secretary of State Warren Christopher flew to Beirut last week in an effort to show U.S. commitment to Lebanon's government. He also tried to win support for the resumption of Middle East peace talks.

--Riot police in India arrested over 1100 Hindu nationalists during a rally in New Delhi. The protestors are calling for the resignation of Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao and his government.

NATIONAL

--President Clinton has been very successful on his recent tour of the U.S. in drumming up support for his new economic plan. Taxes that seemed like a curse during the Reagan years are now being deemed as "simply necessary" by the American public.

--Dr. Jack Kevorkian has assisted a 15th person commit suicide. Kevorkian doesn't know how many more assisted suicides he'll take part in because he feels it puts too much stress on his life.

--President Clinton informed workers at Boeing that unfair competition from foreignmarkets is aiding the technology struggle in the United states. He assured the employees (all in danger of losing their jobs) that the government is prepared to help.

LOCAL

--Philadelphia Electric has accepted a free batch of "slightly irradiated fuel" for use at the Limerick nuclear power plant. Officials say this will save PECO customers over \$70 million in fuel costs in the next 15 years.

--The Montgomery County Health Department paid a surprise visit to Pottsgrove High School last week to address concerns over recent construction. Officials said that things have improved since their last inspection, but there are still improvements to be made.

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participate. President John Paul Williams had only one regret that "we didn't get a chance to show our diversity on stage."

The Roughnecks should have no regrets, however, as they were also the favorites of the MTV representatives. "They were what I was looking for when I came here," said Lawrence Axmith, as he mentioned that he intended to recruit the group. On his impressions of Airband as a whole Axmith added, "The show was The volunteers and great. participants have put so much work into the event. A full crowd on a Friday night is amazing, and the fact that (the proceeds) are going to the Laurel House makes it even more special."

Ann Marie Lukens, an integral coordinator, praised the efforts of

all who offered their time to keeping Airband a fun and charitable tradition at Ursinus. "All the RA's worked together," said Lukens. "I'm really glad it was such a success this year, and that it went to such a worthy cause."

Jill Hassinger, director of the children's program at Laurel House, was equally impressed. An Ursinus graduate, she enjoyed Airband during her college years and was delighted to come back once again. "Hopefully this will help raise awareness of domestic violence, and increase interest and participation in its prevention," said Hassinger. She urges any interested students to pursue internship opportunities at Laurel House. Volunteers are encouraged to donate their much needed time as well. For information, Jill may be reached at (215) 643-3150.

Explosion at World Trade Center

BY MARK LEISER Of The Grizzly

The 110-story World Trade Center in New York was rocked by an explosion apparently caused by a car bomb in an underground garage last Friday. The blast killed five people and injured over 600. Thousands of people were forced to evacuate the complex through pitchblack hallways and smoke-filled stairways.

People were trapped in elevators for up to nine hours after electricity had been turned off. Twenty-three people had to be rescued by helicopter from the tops of the towers.

Over 200 school children taking a tour of the facility were stranded on the observation deck, and eight disabled people were trapped on the 94th floor before being taken to the roof and being removed by helicopter.

The streets of Manahttan were covered with evacuees, gasping for breath, after struggling to make it to safety from as high as the 105th floor. Those still stranded on upper floors patiently awaited help, and were forced to break windows as the smoke reached them.

According to officials who surveyed the wreckage, the blast created a 200 foot by 100 foot crater that extends six stories deep in the parking garage. New York Governor Mario Cuomo confirmed in an interview on the "Larry King Live" television show that the explosion was caused by a bomb placed on the floor of the parking garage.

Authorities have had nine phone calls from groups claiming responsibility for the bombing. According the Associated Press, the first call, from a group representing Croatian militants, came 15 minutes before the explosion occurred.

After the World Trade Center explosion, a bomb threat was received in the Empire State Building. It was evacuated and searched, but nothing was discovered.

Roving Reporter

BY ERIKA COMPTON News Editor

QUESTION: Which do you think is a better pledging system, the 2week system the girls had last fall, or the 4-week system which the guys have now?

Cynthia Babcock - Junior

--The four week system is definitely better. It gives time for the pledges to become more unified which is the point of pledging. Girls pledging should change back to the four-week system because it is viously better.

Mr. Magoo - Freshman

-- Pledging needs to be four weeks. We've only been pledging for two weeks, and we're not ready yet.

Molly McLean - Sophomore

--Four weeks is better. During the two week pledging period, we pledged 24-7. I thought I could blow things off and not do work. You think you can catch up later. If I pledged for four weeks, I would have disciplined myself better. I think we should have had mandatory library hours, too.

Nancy Costello - Junior

--The four week system is better. Two weeks is not long enough to build any kind of unity. The bonding activities are often left out of pledging.

Phil Parrotta - Sophomore

-I prefer the four week system. The girls didn't have time to learn anything in class or about pledging because they were so run down all the time. The four weeks is better because there is a chance to digest the information the pledges are learning, and more time to study. During the two weeks, there is not enough time to get to know the brothers and sisters, and there is not enough time to get to know each other.

Sarah Starr - Senior

--Girls pledging was an experimental fiasco. I resent the administrative decision to interfere with a system that was running smoothly.

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don't even stop at the French-German border, for instance. From January 1st, a citizen of any of the twelve countries can start his or her own business in any of the other eleven members; people, capital and goods can now move freely.

However, there are still a few points that keep Europeans from being fully satisfied with their achievements. A series of standards and prices still have to be harmonized before a French television can be sold and watched in Germany, or prices of alcohol and tobacco stop inviting nationals to shopping sprees in a neighboring country. Italy and Germany still have to implement between 20% and 30% of the resolutions passed in 1985, and overall, 50% of all resolutions still have to be enacted across United Europe. It was clear from Dr. Dillingham's account that the Danes' rejection was a considerable obstacle to the final project of an integrated European

Community. It caused international economic unrest, and challenged those in favor of further cooperation in Europe to review their commitment.

Professor Dillingham's lecture was well received for its accuracy and smooth delivery. He worked as a research fellow at the Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Internationales in Paris, a division of the Fondation National des Sciences Politiques, which has a reputation for excellence all over Europe. And even though he eschewed political and cultural issues in his speech, his articulate presentation and expertise permitted the rather large audience to satisfy their legitimate curiosity.

Next on the Modern Languages Department program entitled "Questions of European Identity" is a businessperson's panel discussion about what U.S. citizens need to consider to do business with the new Europe on Tuesday, March 23.

Meistersingers to Tour New England

The Meistersingers, Ursinus' select student vocal ensemble of 30 mixed voices, will perform concerts of secular and sacred choral music at churches in New England from March 18 through 21. Concerts will be held in Danbury and Greenwich, CT. and South Weymouth and Wrentham, MA.

Following the New England tour, the Meistersingers will present a concert in Bomberger Auditorium on Saturday, March 27, at 8 PM. The ensemble will also perform at St. John's United Church of Christ, Coopersburg, PA, at 4 PM on Sunday, March 28, and at St. Andrew Church of Christ, Lancaster, PA, at 7 PM on Sunday, April 188.

This is the group's 56th annual tour. The Meistersingers have appeared in nearly every state on the Eastern seaboard, and in May 1990, conducted a 15 day tour of England.

In preparation for their concerts, the singers dedicate several hours each week to practicing a variety of choral works, from classical to contemporary. This year's program will include works by Handel, Haydn, Lassus, Pergolesi, Kodaly, and Niels La Cour.

John H. French, associate professor of music and chairman of the College's department of music, trains and conducts the Meistersingers. Organist and choirmaster at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia, he studied at the Philadelphia College of the Performing Arts, Westminster Choir College, and the University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music. He is President of the Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Choral Directors Association

The 1992-93 Meistersingers are Kirsten Becker, Meg Bergner, Christine Conz, Karen Fleshman, Peggy Gavin, Robin Loiaccono, Hope Rinchimer, Abby Rossenbaum, Satsuki Scoville, Brenda Stryjewski, Kathryn Tatsis, Megumi Uchiyama and Heidi Wushinske, sopranos; Maria Aumick, Carol Brewer, Lori Engler, Mary Greiss, Vanessa Klingensmith, Sarah Lee, Elizabeth Mansfield, Michelle Moyer, Laura Scarola, and Julie Tonnessen, altos; Tristan English and David Laganella, tenors; and James Crowder, Robert Kester, Ian Rhile, Bhavesh Vaidya, and David Van Benthuysen, basses.

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Extra Income "93"



Scheckie was happy in the haze of a drunken hour, but heaven knows Scheckie's miserable now. Believe in Scheckie, Scheckie believe's in you. ☆

Aquarius- Do not let your friends dictate your life. You know what to do- do it. 2

Pisces- Now is the time to decide what you want to do this sumer. Make your choice carefully. 53

Aries- A friend may be jealous of you. Try to be sensitive and reassuring.

Taurus- You may find yourself playing peacemaker for two fueding friends

Gemini- You may feel neglected by a significant other. Don't worryit's not you. They are just a little distracted.

Cancer- Do not stress too much if things don't turn out as you planned. A little spontaneity never hurt anyone.

Leo- A friend is being very mysterious. Try to draw him/her out of their shell. M 27

Virgo- Find out what a recently kissing-up-tough friend is really after.

Scorpio- Your recent tendency to be very blunt may lead to a bad first impression to an important person.

Sagittarius- Don't try to overcharm. It may backfire.

☆ Capricorn- Don't ignore your friends in favor of a new relationship.

Nature must still find a way, a ignore all the codes of the day, let your juvenille impulses sway. Believe in Scheckie, Scheckie believes in you.



L'Chaim

There will be a PARTY on Tuesday, March 2, at 6:30 in the Parent's Lounge to celebrate Purim. The event is sponsored by Hillel, the Organization of Jewish Students. Refreshments will be served and ideas for upcoming events will be discussed.

Senior Profile: * * * Maria Rojas * * *

Thrilled to have been chosen as this weeks outstanding senior, Maria Rojas of Skippack, PA. had plenty to say about her four years at Ursinus College.

When this ultra-mellow president of Tau Sigma Gamma isn't lounging in Olevian she enjoys contemplating Hegel, watching "All My Children," collecting little blue smurf figurines and playing an occasional game of tennis when the weather is just right.

Ursinus has provided Maria with "a unique perspective on people." A Politics major, she is certain that this skill will play a key role in her future career as an educator. "I plan to teach social studies in highschool while participating in a graduate program." If her future endeavors equal her achievements at Ursinus, Maria will certainly



have a successful career.

Without a seconds hesitation, Maria gives Homecoming '92 as her most memorable experience at Ursinus. Can you blame her? For spring break, she and some friends plan to drive a van to Florida in search of more memories as they camp in the Everglades and wrestle alligators under the moon.

Flowers Hope

The service club is raising money for the American Cancer Society by hope." The annual Daffodil Days Features Editor event supports cancer research, education, and patient care.

By purchasing a bouquet of flowers, you support cancer patients and their families, as well as bring joy to the recipient of the flowers.

Bouquets of ten daffodils may be ordered for \$5.00 each. Call Jen Janco at 454-9687 or Satsuki Scoville at 454-1086 before March 3rd to place your order. The flowers will arrive on campus at the end of March.

The Service Club is participating in this and many other volunteer • 4. No snow days in college activities this year. Currently, local Head Start, the area nursing home, and the local chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Walk. If . interested in joining, please contact Satsuki Scoville at 454-1086 or Dan Fishman at 489-4548. Lend a hand and volunteer this year!

Top 10 Reasons I Need Spring Break

selling daffodils, "the flower of •BY GRETCHEN MACMURRAY

10. Snow

9. One party weekends thanks to pledging

8. More snow

7. The yearly inevitable post-Airband depression

6. What's with all this snow?

5. Wind chill factors that make my sporadic visits to Myrin even less frequent

members are helping out at the • 3. Hawaiian Luau maxi dinner special puts me in the mood for a tropical • getaway

2. Skin the color of snow

1. No Grizzly hassles for two weeks

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What's Up In Wellness: **Attention Spring Breakers**

As spring break nears, many of us will be heading off to enjoy warm weather and sunny activities. This allows for a good opportunity to consider ways to enjoy the sun without receiving some of its negative consequences. Some things you may want to be aware of and remember while you are enjoying your spring break are:

° The closer you are to the equator the stronger the sun's rays.

° Sand, snow, concrete and water can reflect up to 85% of the sun's damaging rays onto the skin.

Clouds scatter sunlight. Therefore, a sunburn is easily obtained on a cloudy or hazy day. ° The sun's rays can reach three

feet down into the water.

° The risk of sunburn is greater at high altitudes. The thinner the atmosphere at higher altitudes absorbs less amounts of damaging UV rays. For every 1000 feet above sea level the radiation increases 4-5%.

sunburn, long term premature aging and skin cancer to a minimum, proper sunscreen is essential, regardless of your skin type. Dermatologists recommend an SPF (sun protection factor) in sunscreen of a minimum of 15 for everyone, including darker skinned people. Burning may be your main concern, but it is not the only bad effect the sun can have on your skin. There may be damaging effects even without burning. The fairer your skin the more careful you need to be. If you feel that SPF 15 is too high for you because you "never burn" at least consider an SPF slightly lower than 15. Always pick a sunscreen rather than a suntan lotion or worst of all an oil. Sun damage is cumulative over a lifetime. One severe sunburn can double the risks of developing skin cancer.

Another factor that needs to be

The help keep immediate taken into consideration is how the sun screen is applied. The sun screen should be applied to all exposed parts of the body in generous amounts an hours before you are exposed to the sun. The SPF value of the sunscreen can be decreased if a thin layer of sunscreen is applied, if perspiring occurs or if you went swimming. The sunscreen should be reapplied every two hours while you are in the sun and after any swimming or heavy perspiring.

If you take these factors into consideration you can play it safe in the sun this spring break. Remember, even if you normally do not burn easily, your skin has not been exposed to the sun's rays for a while, and since you may be visiting a place where the sun is very strong or where there is a high altitude, your skin is very vulnerable to the sun's rays right now. So, remember to take good care of your skin while you are enjoying your break.

SGT GRIZZ:

"Nothing but the bear facts!"

20 Feb 93 at 12:15 P.M. Security and EMT's are dispatched to Helferrich Hall along with Trappe Ambulance. An Ursinus gymnast injured her elbow and was taken to Montgomery Hospital.

21 Feb 93 at 1:05 A.M. Security is called to Routes 422 and 113 to pick up pledges that were stopped by the Upper Providence Police Department. The officer was concerned for their safety and the pledges were cooperative.

21 Feb 93 at 8:20 P.M. Security is called to investigate a broken bathroom window in the Quad. Four hours later, Security receives another call about a broken window in a Quad room. Both windows were broken by snowballs.

21 Feb 93 at 12:30 A.M. Security receives a call of disorderly students in the Reimert Courtyard. Upon arrival, the students returned to their suites. The matter was referred to the Residence Life Office.

22 Feb 93 at 10:50 A.M. Security is called to Helferrich Hall to investigate the damage of fencing near the practice fields and tennis courts. The matter is being investigate by Security.

22 Feb 93 at 4:00 P.M. A student from BWC reported that sometime between Saturday evening and Sunday morning, unknown person(s) entered his unlocked room and removed clothing valued at \$550. This theft is being investigated by Security and the incident report was turned over to the Collegeville Police Department.

AN UNLOCKED DOOR IS AN OPEN INVITATION TO THEFT. PLEASE LOCK YOUR DOORS.

23 Feb 93 at 9:00 A.M. Security is advised of a theft at the Myrin Library. Unknown person(s) removed two (2) full framed posters from the library walls. Security and RLO are investigating.

SGT. GRIZZ HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS THAT STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF ARE PARKING IN THE VISITOR'S LOT AT CORSON.YOUR COOPERATIONAND COMPLIANCEIS APPRECIATED.

Roommates' Recommendations

BY NIKKI AND VIKKI Of The Grizzly

Dear Nikki and Vikki,

We have a big problem! My roommate and I lust after the same man. The only problem is, we don't know the real identity of Guru Tom. What we do know from his column is that he has to be an extremely intellectual and absolutely sexy god!

We're not sure if it would be better if we found out his true identity or to just continue to fantasize about him nightly.

Please give us some advice on our endless passion for Guru Tom! **Guru Groupies** P.S. We miss the Guru Tom column!

Dear Guru Groupies,

First, we must set something straight, Guru Tom is having a regretting it. I'm beginning to

passionate affair with Scheckie. scare myself. Everyone misses his wisdom in his column, but maybe he'll read this and come back to us. For Dear Nervous, now, there will always be Harley. from Annette first. Good luck! (For all of you really perceptive readers, Scheckie is shacking with both Guru Tom and Harley. We wonder how she can get her studying done and her sleep too!) N&V

you'll have to search elsewhere-half the fun is the mystery!

Dear Nikki and Vikki,

I'm afraid I may have a serious own good!!! alcohol problem. Recently I've been blacking out and hooking up with random people and then

Congratulations! You took the first .. but you'll have to get him away step by admitting the problem to yourself. On campus you can go see Cathy Grentzenberg at Studio Cottage. She is extremely nice and will do whatever she can to help you. If you're afraid to go anywhere on campus there are many other options open to you. There are many hotlines P.S. If you really want to find out available but the one that we find the the true identity of Guru Tom, most effective is 100-242-2333. Don't be afraid to call, they are our lips are sealed! But remember trained to help people with alcohol problems. This is a really serious problem, please take care of it before you are out of control. It's for your

N&V

Nervous

23 Feb 93 at 8:00 P.M. Security receives a call that there is a person on campus who has been banned. It is learned by Security that this is an existing issue between an alumni and a present student and no official sanctions had been imposed. Matter referred to RLO.

24 Feb 93 at 10:35 P.M. While on patrol, Security heard a loud explosion in front of Wilkinson. Officers determined that a firecracker had been set off. This action is a violation of the college policy and a criminal offense in the Borough of Collegeville.

26 Feb 93 at 3:05 A.M. Security responds to a woman yelling in front of Reimert. As the officer approaches the woman, a man runs off toward Main Street. The man was eventually arrested for public drunkenness. Both parties knew each other.

HAVE A SAFE AND RELAXING SPRING BREAK. FOR THOSE STUDENTS TRAVELLING TO EXOTIC, WARM BEACHES, BOTTLED SUNSHINE WILL BE APPRECIATED.

23 Feb 93 at 8:00 P.M. Security responds to a suite in Reimert after being advised of an unwanted guest at this location. The individual involved in the incident has been formally "banned" from the suite in Reimert in which the call originated.

24 Feb 93 at 10:35 P.M. Unknown person(s) set off a firecracker outside one of the Residence Halls. The incident is under investigation.

26 Feb 93 at 3:05 A.M. A visitor on campus is arrested by the Collegeville Police Department for "public drunkenness" after a domestic argument broke out outside one of the residence halls.

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The Problem With Centrists

BY CHRISTIAN P. SOCKEL Of The Grizzly

Principled individuals, such as Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr., and Malcolm X have been revered and examined throughout history for their commitment to issues, higher ideals, and personal vision. They were unwavering in their focus and unflinching in the face of opposition. The weaponry which enabled them to parry ridicule and challenge was their integrity and strength of character. Importantly, their intellectually-sound stance and rhetoric made it clear that they had principle, from which all of their messages disseminated. These men were not centrists. They had chosen a side and fought the battle relentlessly from the hot seat. It is quite difficult to be on both sides sides of controversial issues; President Clinton knows this all too well. Choosing a side and standing critically upon the agenda or idea espoused is comendable, not bigoted, Fascist, or narrowminded.

Principled individuals are rare because they are not relativists.

Relativists conceptualize truth and moral value with disregard to absolutes. Truth and moral values become relative to the person or group holding them. Inherent in this position is the ability to adjust one's behavior according to the situation, leaving right and wrong to be determined by individual choice, not, for example, by religion. True centrists can often abate the vitriol between the left and the right by remaining in the middle

and deflecting each side's absolutes. Yet centrists do little to resolve the controversy by merely understanding both sides of an issue. Holding fast to time-honored value and ideas takes courage, a character quality which brings upon it scrutiny or admiration. Academics are the most clear example of centricity because it is their job to exhaust the myriad issues and their interpretations. But academics should be called on when they fail to urge students to take a side and argue its point.

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most principled are those who know the opposition's arguments as well as they do. In a day and age where individuals are very willing to impugn those with principle as racist, homophobic, bigoted, and bleeding-hearted, it becomes difficult to stand committed and resilient. Often those who have clear definitions of right and wrong are repudiated for the family values. Liberals as well can be as principled as the other political party ilks; having principle is not exclusive to any one group.

Centrists fail to take positions with regards to controversy and rather avoid the extreme fringes of a movement or national zeitgeist. To be safe, being a centrist allows an individual not to offend anyone, while still allowing them not to be heard, which is the casualty of standing in the middle. The loudest clarion calls come from those who are principled and courageous in their opinions and ideas. To understand all points of view is essential in any sphere, but those who have determined thier raison d'etre and have rooted it in principle are more likely to become revered,

Campus Memo

By Richard P. Richter President of the College

THE CLINTON ECONOMIC PLAN: The election of Bill Clinton has been taken as a hopeful development among leaders of higher education. For example, Richard Rosser, president of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU), our national lobbying group in Washington, said in a news release, "NAICU supports President Clinton's efforts to tackle long-term budget deficit reduction with a balanced approach of spending cuts and new taxes."

Rosser expressed encouragement at Clinton's discussion of the "urgency of our economic problems and how investment in education at all levels is an investment in our nation's economic competitiveness and our future."

He supported Clinton's idea to allow community service to help pay for college costs and the proposal to link student loan repayments to level of income.

The Clinton economic plan, of

course, is complex; Rosser, along with the rest of us, is still ferreting out the details. And the whole plan will have to run the white waters of Congress before we have an operational agenda for the nation.

Students at Ursinus and across the U.S. have a stake in the debate now joined. I hope you will follow it, develop informed opinions, and take part in the process of moving our government toward the adoption of an effective economic program, with a prominent place in it for the support of higher education.

Higher education has too often appeared to be a part of the national problem in recent years, what with its perceived high cost and alleged low efficiency. Expanding the intellectual capital of Americans is a viable--indeed, essential--way of addressing the large systemic problems of the U.S. economy. Colleges and universities are the key to that.

Whatever economic program we end up with, I think that all of us can be encouraged by the very fact that the Clinton administration has elevated higher education to a priority place in the public debate. SOME SPECIFICS: Rosser's

NAICU report gives some specifics on the Clinton plan.

--\$7 billion would be used for a national service plan. Students would be able to deal with college costs through one or two years of service as well as loan repayment based on income. Clinton expects the program of national service to meet pressing needs in education, public health, environmental protection and public safety. (Note: The national service provision has been criticized in The New Republic for having been "watered down to insignificance" from Clinton's original idea.)

--\$2 billion would be spent to put the Pell Grant program back on a solid footing. This, Rosser said, "would allow federal funding for student grant programs to start with a clean slate."

--On the negative side, colleges would incur higher costs for such items as energy, which would be more heavily taxed, and for postal costs.

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100 players now make \$3 million and up

COURTESY PHILA. **DAILY NEWS**, 2/26/93

There was just one baseball player making \$3 million in 1990. This season, there will be 100, according to a study of salaries by the Associated Press.

While the number of baseball millionaires went down slightly from 271 to 265, more and more players reached the multimillion level, and nearly one in seven will make \$3 million or more. Those at \$4 million rose from 22 to 36 and \$5 million players increased from three to 12.

Chicago Cubs second baseman Ryne Sandberg is 1993's highestpaid player at \$6,475,000. Bobby Bonilla is second at \$6.2 million and New York Mets teammate Dwight Gooden is third at \$5,916,667.

San Francisco's Barry Bonds, who has the highest average salary at \$7,291,667, is just 23rd this year at \$4,416,667 based on his \$4 million salary and a prorated share of his \$2.5 million signing bonus.

Kansas City and the New York Yankees have the most million-dollar players at 14 each. The expansion Colorado Rockies have the fewest one: Charlie Hayes [the former Phils third baseman].

SPORTSEDITOR'SNOTE: Is this incredible or what? We've come a long way, baby. I really feel bad for these guys--now they're going to have a tax increase from 31% to 36%. Gee, I hope they can afford it. If I may make a small suggestion, why don't we institute a salary cap for baseball? It's worked for basketball, why not baseball?

Men's Track and **Field at MACs**

BY DAVID WEISS Of The Grizzly

The Men's Track and Field team travelled to Dickinson College to participate in the Middle Atlantic Conference Championship meet on Saturday and Sunday, February 27 and 28.

The team was represented by long distance runner David Weiss; Eric Widmaier, a sprints and quarter-mile specialist; high Brandreth, a long- and triplejumper and high hurdler; and Brian Delin, another sprinter and quartermiler.

Despite its small representation at the Championship meet, the men's team managed to finish tenth overall. The individual outstanding performance of the day was turned in by Troy Gehret, who placed second in the high jump.

Other exciting performances were provided by Eric Widmaier's fourth place finish in the 400-Meter Run, David Weiss's seventh place capture in the 5,000-Meter Run, and Carl Brandreth's tenth place standing in the long- and triple-jump and hurdle. Brian Delin also ran well in the 400-meter run, but did not place overall

David Weiss, Eric Widmaier, jumper Troy Gehret; Carl Carl Brandeth, and Troy Gehret have qualified to compete in the ECAC Indoor Championship meet, which will take place next weekend in Bowdoin, Maine.

MAC **Basketball** Update

INFORMATION FROM PHILA. INQUIRER, 2/28/93

-- In the MAC Northern Division Championship, The University of Scranton men beat Susquehanna University, 69-44.

-- In the MAC Southern Division Championship, Franklin & Marshall's men crushed Lebanon Valley, 68-48. Sophomore guard Dave Jannetta put up 19 points and freshman Jeremiah Henry scored 18 in the game at Lancaster. F & M finishes at 23-3 and won the Southern title for the second straight year and the fifth time in the last six years.

--Both of the above winners, Scranton and F & M, earned berths in the NCAA Division III tournament. It is the eighth straight year for F & M's program.

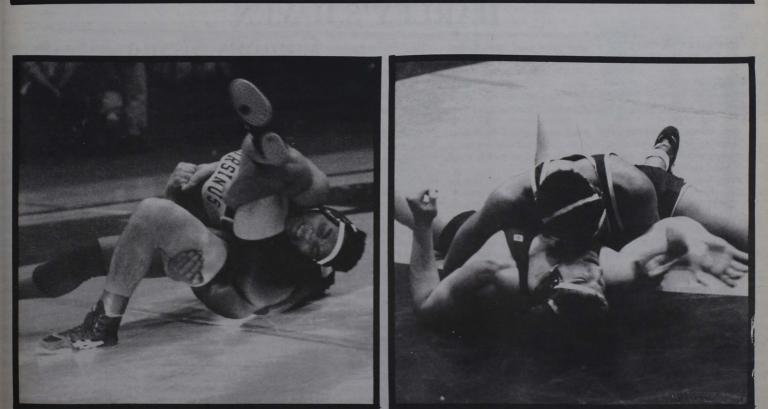


Photo by Dave Sherman

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Ursinus wrestlers took it to the mat last weekend at the MAC Championships.

GYMNASTS FINISH WITH HIGH SCORE

Caggiano, Cornell, and Steele going to NCAAs

BY LIZ MCDONALD Of The Grizzly

The Ursinus College gymnastics team travelled to SUNY-Brockport last Saturday to participate in ECACs, an exciting invitational meet, and one of their best meets of the season.

The girls, after hitting their season high during their only home meet, managed to pull through once again, this time scoring 158.60, beating their previous high of 158.35.

The Lady Bears began the Brockport meet with an excellent warm-up. Ursinus was psyched as the entire team marched in, even the injured teammates.

Throughout the year, many of the team members were unable to travel to all of the meets, due to expenses. The meet last Saturday, however, provided the rare opportunity for the team to travel together. Not only was this fun, but the girls competing felt the

strength and support of their team behind them as well.

Throughout the season there was an intense, inner-squad competition for the chance to compete. This competition grew as the last meet of the season approached, but the Lady Bears came together and proved their strength, taking on the other teams and scoring their highest for the 1992-1993 season.

The Lady Bears were powerful on the floor exercise and the vault, and the girls cheered each other on. Sophomores Kristen Cornell, juniors Melanie Glick and Susan Steele and senior Liz McDonald, danced their routines on the floor, keeping their minds on their goals and their mistakes to a minimum.

The vault, the fastest event, flew by as the girls exploded off the horse. Sophomores Rebecca Turchik and Sheila Campbell, and freshman Samantha Caggiano, helped out Cornell, Glick, and McDonald as they stuck their vaults. The day's high score was a team effort, as the girls fought together to stay on the beam and bars. These two events proved to be the areas that caused the gymnasts the most trouble throughout their season, yet on Saturday, each gymnast attacked the equipment.

Cornell, unfortunately, had a bad day on the bars, yet Steele, Caggiano, Campbell, sophomore Suzanne LeDonne and freshman Allysa Marquis all helped their teammate out by swinging good bar routines.

Cornell did, however, come back from the bars with an excellent beam routine. Even though she took a fall, Glick also had a good routine, performing her back-tuck mount very well. Freshman Kim Miller, just having a cast removed from a broken thumb, also competed a graceful beam. She was joined by Steele, LeDonne, and Caggiano.

The girls finished the meet by beating MIT, but unfortunately

HARLEY'S HAVEN

falling to Rhode Island College, their rival from last week. A few of the girls, Susan Steele, Kristen Cornell, and Samantha Caggiano look forward to another chance to score well at Nationals, held during spring break in Wisconsin, while the rest of the team looks back on a great season and forward to 1993-1994.

DO YOU WANT TO HELP OUT HARLEY?

Well, sports fans, now's your chance! You (yes, you!) can be an Assistant Sports Editor. Starting now! We need one (or two) reliable and interested people who want to begin learning stuff for next year. But you get the title right away! So call H.D.R. at 454-0712 or just talk to him. He'll like that.



SATURDAY, MARCH 6 Wrestling at NCAA Championships Indoor Track at ECAC Women @ Bates Men @ Bowdoin 11:00 am

SUNDAY, MARCH 7 Wrestling at NCAA Championships

NOTE!

Sophomore Ellen Cosgrove was chosen as a GTE Academic All-American. Members must be student-athletes with a GPA of 3.2 or above. Ellen is a big part of Lady Bear Basketball, plus The Grizzly and the Sports Information Department.

BY HARLEY DAVID RUBIN The Fifth Beatle

One week from today, the Phillies take on the Pittsburgh Pirates in their first spring training game. The long, snowy winter will be over. As I sit and listen to the radio, imagining the "boys of summer" running around the field down in Florida, reality will slowly fade away. Kind of like it fades away in this column...

I will now predict exactly how the 1993 Phils' season will go. This is a gutsy move on my part, and I accept all criticisms with an open mind. However, I will attempt to be as objective as possible (yeah, right!) in forecasting the fate of the Phils. (Say that 10 times fast.)

MARCH: Spring training and everyone is healthy. The Phils, playing many exhibition games against teams like Toronto and the expected-to-contend St. Louis Cardinals, have a so-so preseason and go just over .500.

APRIL: The season opens and everyone is healthy. Opening day--Terry Mulholland gives up three homers, but the Phils win 7-5 behind the big bats of John Kruk and yes, Pete Incaviglia. But the first month is rough--guys still getting acquainted, pitchers reluctant to throw at top speed and be the first to go on the disabled list.

MAY: Phils have three league leaders: Curt Schilling in ERA, Hollins in HBPs, and Incaviglia in strikeouts. Despite the fact there are more strikeouts in the lineup than the pitching staff, the Phils are in third place and only five games out of first, behind the Expos and Cardinals.

JUNE: Look out! The Mets are making a little run, but not to worry--ahitting streak by Mariano Duncan (playing for an injured player--not sure where) helps the Phils fend off Da Bums from Flushing, NY. Ricky Jordan is getting very bitter on the bench, asks for a trade again. Expos and Cards slipping a little, Phils see opening.

JULY: Phils take advantage of aforementioned opening, climb into second, one-and-a-half games out of first. Team leaders: Batting average = .313, John Kruk. HRs=19, Dave Hollins. RBIs=68, Dave Hollins. Wins=11, Curt Schilling. Ks=147, Schilling. Team becomes known as Da Dirty Devils after Lenny Dykstra, John Kruk, Dave Hollins, Pete Incaviglia, and Mitch Williams all go through their eighth uniform each. AUGUST: The dog days are here, and the Phillies are in the heat of the best and worst pennant race ever. The teams are so-so, but play as if their contracts are on fire. Phils remain in second, now three games out of first place. Ben Rivera throws a no-hitter, blowing away those power-packed Florida Marlins.

SEPTEMBER: Crunch time, and the Phils are trying to loosen that tightening collar around their necks. They lose six straight, and memories of the 1964 collapse are revived. The fans begin to boo even more than usual, until finally the Phils win in a 16-6 romp over the Cubs, who are also contending.

OCTOBER: The Phils miss the playoffs and first place by three games. They end up in second, three behind those Montreal Expos and only one game ahead of St. Louis. Fans are satisfied with effort, look for better things next year. (Don't we always.)

Well, sports fans, if you see something you disagree with, talk to me. I've got to keep on movin', don't stop now. We're fast-breakin' into that wild world of the NBA, more specifically those atrocious 76ers. What is there to do? Here's a solution get the following players OUT: Armon Gilliam, who has done NADA, and Charles Shackleford and Eddie Lee Wilkins, the two backup centers with bigger mouths than abilities. They're just dead weight on a sinking ship. Try and get a good draft pick or trade for some youth. Here comes that "R'' word: Rebuild.

The Flyers are playing more like they should be. Wowzers, I hope everybody saw the highlights of that game against the New Joizee Devils. The Kid, Eric Lindros, got into a fight with NHL headhunter Scott Stevens, and beat the living crap out of him. It was beautiful. By the way, we won the game, too. The playoffs may be out of reach, but that role of "spoiler" may suit this year's Flyers very well. TEAM NOTE: Forward Mark Recchi will easily surpass 100 points this year, the first player to do that since Bobby Clarke way back when. PREDICTION: The Kid will do it two years from now, if not sooner.

Nothing new with the Eagles, as usual. One of these days, Reggie White will sign elsewhere, having been alienated by owner/jerk Norman Braman. So let's move on to the ever-popular answer to last week's Trivia Question: Diane left Frasier at the altar in Italy. She cavorted with soccer players and was involved in madcap debauchery throughout Europe, then went to The Sisters of The Divine Severity convent in upstate Massachusetts. Sam went up to ask her to come back, and posed as a "rice inspector" in a classic scene in which the Mother Superior almost vomits Diane's attempt at nouveau rice.

Here's this week's C.H.O.C.R./ 'Cheers'' Trivia Question: What was the name of the crazed man who visited Cheers three times: one time as a blind date for Diane, the second time to rob the place (and ended up acting in a scene from "Othello" with Diane), and the last time posing as the bar owner to impress his girl? Well, guys and gals, it's time for me to go. I only hope this column satisfied your need for weekly insanity--I know I'm no Guru Tom (thanks to Nikki and Vikki), but I try. I'm Harley David Rubin, and remember to take a little pride in your appearance. Those of us that don't give a damn look up to you.

Harley David Rubin is the recipient of the Clamer Foundation Fellowship, and he will use the funds to write his master's thesis on the topic "The Effect of the Sun's Rays on a Couch Potato in Acapulco."