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# The Grizzly

*Hangover--  
Something to occupy a head that  
wasn't used the night before.*  
- Howard W. Newton

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## Drug Raid at Graterford Prison

by Joanna Doyle  
Of The Grizzly

For three days, officials at Graterford Prison went on a cleaning spree. They got rid of more than just dust and dirt.

Beginning Tuesday, Oct. 24, and continuing through Thursday, officials conducted a massive raid that rivaled any other in Philadelphia history. With the prisoners under lockdown, 450 police officers carried out a large-scale search of every prisoner, cell, and guard at Graterford.

What they found was staggering: an enormous number of weapons and drugs in the prisoners' possession. Officials found large stashes of narcotics in guards' personal vehicles, indicating that they had helped facilitate the drug and weapons trafficking that was occurring inside the prison walls. Police even went so far as to dredge the prison sewer system, where some inmates had tried to dispose of drug evidence in the last minutes before the raid.

The Graterford raid is part of Governor Tom Ridge's "clean up" plan for Pennsylvania. Crime was by far the key issue in the most recent Governor's race, and voters watched intently to see if Ridge would begin to carry through with some of the anti-crime promises he made

throughout his campaign. In light of the recent police corruption scandal, the events of the past week were also important to Philadelphia because they exposed the practices of corrupt prison guards and forced them to be taken out of the prison system.

Dr. Eileen England runs Ursinus' Prison Literacy program in which student volunteers tutor selected Graterford inmates in basic reading skills. When asked if she would be more concerned for safety in light of these recent events, Dr. England said, "In the time I have been doing this, I have never not felt safe.... The fact that they're cleaning up and making things even more secure is actually reassuring."

The student volunteers also expressed little concern over what impact the Graterford raid might have on their safety. One participant told *The Grizzly*, "It [safety] is always in the back of your mind. Now that they got rid of the drugs and guns, I feel even safer."

Dr. England said the program is an important part of prisoners' rehabilitation because it gives them the necessary reading skills to survive after they leave the prison. With increased security and less illegal activity in the wake of last week's raid, it appears that Graterford prison is safer than it has been in years.

## From College Communications

Friday, Nov. 3 will be more than Inauguration Day for John Strassburger, the 11th President of Ursinus College- it will also be a day when Ursinus celebrates the success of its students.

That is why the day's theme is "Ursinus College, a World of Learning." It is also why "Celebrating Student Achievement", a colloquium featuring 51 presentations by 71 Ursinus sophomores, juniors, and seniors, will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Nov. 3 in Olin Hall.

Strassburger's official installation will come during a special Founders' Day convocation from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Helfferich Hall. A colorful procession from Olin Plaza to Helfferich will precede the ceremony.

The inaugural ceremony will feature Richard Elkman, secretary of the Andrew W. Mellon foundation, as keynote speaker, who will receive an honorary degree, the Doctor of Humane Letters.

Other participants in the inauguration ceremony will include Dr. Gerald Patten of the Middle States

## Inauguration Day Friday, November 3

Association of Colleges and Schools, Dr. Carole Spahr, superintendent of the Perkiomen Valley school district, and Pennsylvania

and their guests have been invited.

From 1984 through 1994, Strassburger was dean, executive vice president, and professor of history at Knox College, Galesburg, Ill. He holds a B.A. from Bates College, an M.A. from Cambridge University and a Ph.D. from Princeton University, all in History. Prior to his tenure at Knox, he spent two years as acting assistant director and program officer at the National Endowment for the Humanities, where he received the Distinguished Service Award in Recognition of Superior Achievement.

He also served as first coordinator for the Institute for Human Effectiveness, and for 12 years taught history at



Ursinus President John Strassburger

State Senator Richard Tilghman.

All classes Nov. 3 will be canceled, and administrative offices closed at noon, so that the entire campus may participate in the day's festivities. The festivities include a buffet luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Olin Plaza and Wismer center; an all campus reception from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at Olin Plaza; and a celebration at 9:00 p.m. at Chateau Granieri in Jeffersonville, Pa., to which all students, faculty, staff, visitors, inauguration participants,

Hiram College, where he served as co-director for the Hiram in Dublin program. His work has been published in a variety of scholarly and educational journals, most recently in the American Association of Higher Education Journal in which he writes about the value of undergraduate research.

The Rev. Dr. M. Scott Landis, Ursinus Chaplain and executive assistant to the President, is chair of the committee planning and carrying out the inaugural festivities.

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN  
from The Grizzly

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## National News

The Senate is about to vote on a bill to trim government spending and balance the budget, having stripped two sections opposed by Republican moderates and Democrats. Senators voted to retain a law shielding pension funds from what Senator Ted Kennedy said were raids by employers. They also voted to preserve nursing-home standards that protect residents from physical abuse and overdrugging. The House passed its version of the budget bill yesterday. The differences will be worked out in a conference.

The Pentagon says the sniper who fired on hundreds of paratroopers at Fort Bragg, N.C., was a weapons squad leader in the elite 82nd Airborne paratrooper unit. He was taken into custody after the shooting. Pentagon officials say the man told his superiors yesterday he was having personal problems. The sniper fired on the soldiers during their pre-dawn exercises. One paratrooper was killed and 20 others were injured. Eighteen of the injured were shot, one was hurt in a fall and one was injured when apprehending the suspect. Investigators recovered an AR-15 assault rifle, a pistol and a .22-caliber rifle.

New figures from the Commerce Department show that the economy rebounded strongly in the third quarter. It says the gross domestic product, a measure of all the goods and services produced in the country, increased at a 4.2 percent annual rate in the July-September quarter, up from a meager 1.3 percent growth rate in the second quarter. President Clinton said the figures prove the economy is "on the right track" and should not force any rise in interest rates.

*Compiled by Tarik Qasim from Media Sources*

## Better Safe than Sorry

### Security Update

by Raquel Szlanic

Special to The Grizzly

\*On October 12 two male Ursinus students walked to the Harleysville MAC machine and then to WAWA. On their way back to campus at 10:45 p.m. the students were behind Corson Hall, one of the boys was stopped by a man who asked if he had a quarter. When the student reached in his pocket for the quarter, he was hit in the face and knocked down. The assailant and two accomplices ran away to the area behind the wellness center and the firehouse.

Description of the assailant: 5'11", white, fairly stocky build, bangs of hair in braids.

\*On Friday, October 13, a suspicious male was spotted by a resident assistant behind a Main Street house. This man did not appear to be an Ursinus student and was kicking the trash cans. When questioned, the man denied that he kicked the cans and said that the person

who did had gotten into a truck and left.

Description of the suspicious character: Oriental male.

\*On October 16 a senior girl who lives in a Main Street house was typing a paper when she noticed a man peering into her window. She looked out and saw the man was also peering into other first floor windows of her house. When she went outside to ask the man if he was looking for someone, he ran away and she could not locate him.

Description of the suspicious character: male in early 20's, 6'2", very thin build, wearing glasses, thick blond hair.

\*On October 23 at 11:35 p.m., a senior girl reported a suspicious man followed her to the parking lot of a Main Street house as she drove from a video store in Limerick. The man parked next to her as she parked in the parking lot. The man then asked if her name was "Nina", and when she told him it was not, he sat in his car next to her and stared

at her for approximately five minutes.

Description of the suspicious character: blond slicked back hair, mid 20's, muscular build, driving an old car similar to a Mustang.

The reason for this article is to alert all students to the possibility that their safety is in danger. Please do not take these stories lightly. Walk in pairs, carry mace, do not prop your doors, call security, be alert and careful at all times, and look out for your own safety!!!

If you ever encounter suspicious activity, report it to security immediately. If the activity involves a car, try to get the license plate number (while being discrete). Remember any guest you sign in to campus is your responsibility, so keep the guests under control while ensuring the safety of your fellow students.

I hope this article makes you consider your safety all the time. Remember, you can never be too careful.

## Ursinus Students, Parents to Co-Sponsor "Can-A-Thon" For Needy

### From College Communications

The first weekend in November is "Can-a-thon" weekend for Ursinus students and their parents. Nov. 3 through 5, they will work together to collect non-perishable food items for the Salvation Army's Food Cupboard at 533 Swede St., Norristown.

Anyone wishing to donate non-perishable canned and dry goods to the Can-a-thon may do so by dropping them off either at the Collegeville Shopping Center near Acme Supermarket or Trappe Center near the Clemens Market on any of the three Can-a-thon days. A Hertz-Penske truck with an Ursinus Can-a-thon sign will be at each location from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Nov. 3 and 4; and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 5.

The Can-a-thon is a joint venture

of the Ursinus Parents' Committee and the Ursinus student volunteer network, U.C. HOT S.H.O.T.S. (Students Helping Others Through Service). Leading the effort are Parent Committee co-chairs Barbara and Bernard Lehrman, of Voorhees, N.J., whose son Jeffrey is a sophomore biology major at the college; and Beatrice May, student-coordinator of U.C. HOT S.H.O.T.S., a sophomore biology major from Fort Washington, Pa. Can-a-thon volunteers will be stationed outside both Clemens and Acme to answer questions and to

encourage shoppers to make a few extra purchases for the cause on those days. Lists of needed non-



Salvation Army Lt. John T. Brooks and Ursinus student Beatrice May at the Salvation Army Food Cupboard in Norristown

perishable items will be provided for those seeking suggestions.

The Salvation Army Food Cupboard provides emergency food supplies to families in need of assistance, along with a case management program. Christina Marino,

casework program manager for the Salvation Army in Norristown, works with the families, not only providing much needed groceries, but assisting them with budgeting skills as well. The ultimate aim of the program is to get families back on their feet as soon as possible. Families receiving supplies from the Food Cupboard are carefully screened to assure that they have genuine need. Each year at Christmas, the Corps also provides food baskets to over 300 families in the Norristown area.

The Food Cupboard is in continuous need of donations, Marino said. On a recent day when the cupboard's shelves looked moderately full, she

and Lt. John T. Brooks of the Norristown Corps estimated that the supply on hand was only enough to feed about 20 families for two days. The Food Cupboard supplies food for an average of 200 people each month, Marino said.

The Hertz-Penske trucks are being donated to the Can-a-thon, rent-free, by Hertz-Penske of King of Prussia. Beatrice May hopes to see them both fully loaded with groceries by the end of the weekend. "Because so many families need this service, we're hoping for a really good response," she said.

Bernard Lehrman also has high hopes for the project. "Our goal was to come up with a service project that would involve both parents and students working together to do something for the less fortunate in the community—in this case, the hungry," he said. "We hope and pray that it proves to be worthwhile."

## Ruby Update

by **Tarik Qasim**

Of the Grizzly

An informal meeting was held last Wednesday concerning the fate of the *Ruby*.

More than 30 students, most of whom were seniors, attended the meeting. The meeting was convened by Dean Nolan.

Participants learned the following surprising facts:

-- The *Ruby* is \$13,000 in debt because of low sales in previous years.

-- Although the dean advocated having the previous debt covered somehow, the fate of this upcoming yearbook is still in question.

Money, as well as staff, are needed to save this year's yearbook.

Despite the large turnout, a committee and an organizational plan for the yearbook has yet to be decided. The outcome for funding of the *Ruby* is pending this Wednesday's AFAC meeting.

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## Trick or Treaters Invade Quad

by **Christy Kenny**

Of The Grizzly

"Trick or Treat!"

"Happy Halloween!"

These phrases echoed through the halls of Beardwood, Paisley, and Stauffer on Wednesday, October 25, as the residents of the quad opened their doors to community children. Freshmen Kate Riley and Amy Olsen organized the evening in order to provide a safe and fun evening for both the children and Ursinus students.

The kids seemed to enjoy the evening as they walked through the decorated hallways of the quad and received candy from students. Even the most stressed students smiled as the little Power Rangers, princesses, and Dinosaurs knocked on doors and received their treats.

The event brought a child like joy to everyone involved, while at the same time providing a fun interaction between the college and the community. Hopefully, Ursinus students will continue to reach out to the Collegeville area and show their kindness.

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## Dr. Nagy Responds

To the Editors of the Grizzly:

I'd like to comment on the reaction to my recent letter expressing disapproval of homosexual behavior and other forms of sexual deviancy.

In her opening paragraph, Gina Oboler blends my name with the phrases "narrow-minded bigots", "One Right Way to love", and "must be punished" in such a way as to imply that they are related in some way.

I am going to assume that (1) she is sufficiently mature and open-minded not to characterize someone who disagrees with her attitude toward homosexuality as a "narrow-minded bigot", (2) she has no psychic insight into the number of ways to "love" that I recognize as "right", and (3) she actually read the letter that precipitated the flood

of invective published in the Oct. 24 *Grizzly* and, therefore, knows that not only did I not advocate the mistreatment of homosexuals but actually condemned it.

Given these assumptions, I accept in advance her apology for letting her emotions overwhelm her.

In her second paragraph, she makes an almost valid point when she reasons that, since most adult homosexuals lack the ability to control their behavior, that behavior should not be criticized.

On the other hand, would she also be willing to defend the behavior of adulterers and pedophiles who also lack the ability to control their sexual appetites? If not, then she is in the embarrassing position of claiming that some people should not be free to "love

whomever we choose", after having posed the rhetorical question "Why not?"

Personally, I prefer to trust in the ability of people to overcome handicaps and to reinforce their efforts to

I believe... that  
homosexual activities  
have... increased the  
amount of misery  
in the world.

do so rather than encourage them to wallow in them.

Apologists for homosexuality often mention homosexual friends or relatives who are happy and productive. It is, of course, possible to

cite counterexamples.

Several years ago, I attended the funeral of a young homosexual relative. He had also been a cheerful, affectionate, and productive person until the symptoms of A.I.D.S. emerged to torment him and his parents. The misery that his behavior brought to them and other relatives could not reasonably be attributed to anyone's disapproval of his homosexuality.

More generally, this disease has claimed the lives of many people who do not engage in the activities that are most likely to transmit it. I believe it's safe to say that homosexual activities have demonstrably increased the amount of misery in the world.

It's interesting that my expressing an opinion that had been con-

spicuously absent in recent *Grizzly* articles and letters, was seen by GALA supporters as an attempt to suppress the view that was and is the most prominent one. The virulence of their ad hominem reaction substantiates my claim that there is an attempt at suppression and intimidation on the part of GALA.

While I should perhaps acknowledge the generosity of Megan and Taylor in conceding my right to not be homosexual as long as I don't express disapproval of homosexuality, I think they come dangerously close to intolerance and bigotry when they say that they would not want to be in a class taught by a professor who disapproves of homosexual behavior.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Nagy  
Physics Department

## Homophobia is not Closed-mindedness

The recent dialog on the homosexual lifestyle has caused a number of writers on these pages to express their outrage and dismay that some in the Ursinus Community are not willing to accept the lifestyle. The writers have used the terms "closed-mindedness", "narrow-mindedness", and homophobes to described those who do not accept the lifestyle, while those who support the lifestyle are described as "open-minded", rational, and liberal thinkers. It is this rhetoric linking close-mindedness with homophobia, and open-mindedness with liberal thinkers that is troublesome.

Can someone be open-minded and liberally educated and reject the homosexual lifestyle? If we are committed to the honest evaluation of old beliefs and new ideas, I believe one can be open-minded and liberally educated and still reject the homosexual lifestyle. My reasoning starts with the definition of open-mindedness. Open-mindedness is the willingness of an individual to be receptive to new ideas. It does not mean that one has to accept any new idea espoused and automatically reject an old belief. To be receptive to new ideas means one must evaluate and recognize ones' own fallibility concerning basic truths.

The evaluation, and the rejection or acceptance of ideas, is a part of the intellectual life of faculty. We are constantly asked to evaluate new ideas proposed within our disciplines and to deliberate on their

merits and proofs. Some provide new insight and we embrace these ideas, while others are rejected. What determines whether one rejects or accepts the theory is the logic of the arguments, the evidence of proof, and the basic assumptions undergirding the theory. It is this kind of inquiry that one should define as openness.

In the most recent issue of *The Grizzly*, many of the advocates have put forth some arguments for the acceptance of the lifestyle. They have ranged from the theological to the statistical, and have started the process of evaluation and inquiry. The evaluation process is not over until those who reject the lifestyle have an opportunity to present their arguments. Their arguments can challenge the theological as well as the statistical support given. Would those who advocate homosexual rights be open to the alternative view point?

The point is this, an open mind is willing to listen and reason, while a close-mind will reject without reason. For the homosexual issue, there may be basic foundational assumptions that will lead individuals to accept one side or the other. We can be unified as a community in our commit to listening to the open expression of ideas. We are a diverse community when we recognize that thoughtful individuals can come to different conclusions.

Dr. Andrew Economopoulos  
Economics Department

## In Debate: Censorship

### Free speech should be limited

by Christy Kenny  
Of The Grizzly

Where does free speech end and censorship begin? This issue is under consideration following recent discrepancies within the college radio station.

Recently the Ursinus College radio station, WVOU, has been under criticism regarding the remarks made over the air regarding homosexuality. Now it seems that the real question lies in whether or not students' radio shows are not permitted to make any comments whatsoever about homosexuality.

But is this fair? Doesn't free-

dom of speech permit anyone to say whatever he wants? Well, not really. Freedom of speech is not absolute, no freedoms are, and the radio show ought to be subject to some censorship.

I don't feel that it is right for the hosts not to be able to mention anything that deals with a subject, but I do feel that there is a real need to monitor the shows and to prohibit hosts from saying things that are discriminatory or extremely offensive to other students.

There are laws that prohibit slander and libel, making it 'unfree' speech; but where would we be if all speech were free?

It is unfair to subject anyone to

offensive comments through any medium, and in particular through the WVOU airways. Some say just to turn off the radio when things offend you, but when comments are made that are openly discriminatory, changing the station does not solve any problems at all.

It is time for the student radio show hosts and all involved with WVOU to realize that while completely avoiding a topic is a bit ridiculous, each host should be responsible and respectful enough to understand the impact of their words, not listening to him or her.

### Censorship infringes upon our rights

by Brandy McLachlan  
Of The Grizzly

In light of the recent battle over censorship on the Ursinus campus radio station, I think the basic rights of free speech need to be reviewed. When I last checked, Freedom of Speech was a basic American right. Censorship in any form infringes upon that right. Many supporters of censorship feel that censorship is necessary because some of the things people say, if they remain uncensored, are cruel and libelous. That is true, many of the things people say are wrong and have no place on public radio, but still free speech is their right. If people want

to say slanderous things about other people or make racial comments about other people then the Bill of Rights says they can. That is the whole point of free speech.

What about what they say? What if it is wrong or hurtful? What can we do?

We can do many things. We can simply turn our radios off, put down our papers, or change the television station. No one needs to listen to what other people say. It is an individual's choice about what to listen to.

If a person feels that someone should be censored, then that person should censor, individually, by not listening to him or her.

Freedom of Speech also works in two ways. If a person hears something that he or she does not agree with, then that person can use freedom of speech to fight back. He or she can go on the radio, they can write an article, or can just speak out against the slander.

In the case of the radio station, instead of censoring what is being said, someone should get her or his own show and fight back using the power of free speech.

Censorship is not the answer because it infringes on people's rights as Americans. Instead, use your voice and your freedom to fight back just as others have used their freedom to speak out as well.

# It Wasn't About Farrakhan

Upon reading the article on the Million Man March last week, I found myself constantly shaking my head in disapproval. Here was another ill-informed person who decided to write an article as if she knew it all. It seemed like no time was taken to get input from people for whom the March was intended. One sided opinions start trouble. Hopefully, my rebuttal will clear things up.

First, I'd like to comment on the presence of Louis Farrakhan. I think I speak for many people, of any race, when I say that I think Mr. Farrakhan has some very hate-ridden views on people, but the Million Man March was not a support rally for Farrakhan; it was about Black support for one another. The fact that it was Farrakhan's idea to organize the March should not matter. If a man affiliated with the Klu Klux Klan spoke at an Irish-American Awareness celebration, because he happen to be Irish and proud of it, and gave a very inspirational speech accentuating Irish pride, I would not fear all Irish-Americans rushing to the next KKK meeting to sign up. Likewise,

the Million Man March was not about Farrakhan and the Nation of Islam. It was about the inspiration of Black men to support their own communities and rise above the destruction of the Black family.

Secondly, women and non-blacks were not excluded on the principle of separatism. They were excluded because, at this stage of Black upliftment, it was not yet their fight. Women were excluded because they are not the ones missing from Black families and communities; black men are. For example, if you have never touched an alcoholic drink in your life, would you need to go to an AA meeting? This is the same principle. Black women already know what the problem is. It is the male half of the community that needs to bond and acquire inspiration.

As far as non-whites are concerned, the desire to help is appreciated, but at this time there are a few steps the African-American community must take on their own. How can Black people look to others when they cannot yet look to themselves? That would be like building a house with-

out a foundation.

The writer of last week's article said that Farrakhan's words seemed to imply separatism. Well, they didn't. They implied self-sufficiency. She also said that the U.S. is a unique and wonderful nation because it is a melting pot. Well, it is unique. Sometimes it's wonderful. But it is not a melting pot. It never has been. Even when that ideal was thought up by the Founding Fathers there were two races being persecuted because they were not white. Today, the U.S. is more like a collage than a melting pot: the colors are together, and for the most part getting along, but they are not yet one.

The writer of last week's article had one excellent point, however, and that is that love is the only thing that can conquer hate. If we all embraced love like we were meant to, then racism would not even be an issue; people would not write ill-informed articles, and the contents of the pot would truly melt together.

Erec Smith  
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## The Cave

This past week, another musical talent was lost to us all. Shannon Hoon, lead singer of Blind Melon was found dead in New Orleans from a drug overdose.

I know that I will mourn the loss of his talents, and any future music from the group that I often listen to. I just wanted to make mention of this, and I'd like to dedicate this edition to the loss of music. Now, onto other things.

Lately there's been a lot of discussion around Ursinus about a proposed honor code. I understand this proposal to be one of President Strassburger's ideas, but I'm not positive of that. In fact, it really does not matter whose idea the honor code is, it is a bad one.

The idea, as I understand it, would be that during examinations, professors would leave the room, or else give take-home exams, and students

would be expected to complete these, on their own honor, without help from any outside sources. Sounds like an OK idea so far, right? Wrong!

The concept goes further so as to suggest that if someone were cheating, it would be up to the classmates and fellow students to report it, or else they would also be held accountable.

So an example would be that if you had a class, say Psych 100, which had over a hundred students in it. During the exam, a guy in the middle row decides that he is going to make it an open book test. Everybody sees what is going on, but figures it is no big deal, so they go back to their work, and forget about it. Everybody, that is, except for the girl in the back of the room, who considers herself morally superior to everybody else.

After the test, this girl reports to Dr. Richardson, or whichever professor was administering the test, that she saw this guy cheat. The professor questions the guy about it, and he confesses to cheating. Now, everyone in the class, except little Miss Morals, is held accountable and is failed for conspiring with the cheater.

See what could happen. I'm not saying that anyone at our school would cheat.....ever. No, not us. We are all a bunch of good little girls and boys. If this were an Afghanistan prison maybe!

Somebody is always going to cheat. It is a fact of life. It could be a roommate or best friend, and you would be almost forced to rat them out.

Yes, cheaters should be punished,

if they are caught. No, the rest of the class should not be punished for being loyal to a fellow student.

This honor code would give Ursinus a higher distinction in the minds of the administrations of other schools. I have even heard it said that this would make us more like Swarthmore. Well, I do not know about you all, but if I wanted Swarthmore, I would have gone there. I wanted Ursinus, and I do not think that this honor code suggestion is one that would fit with this campus the way it is now.

I also think that it would not work, and the whole concept would fail miserably, but not before it harmed too many students in the process.

Think of the movie *School Ties*. It deals with an honor code system, except it is in a high school. We see

# A March for Family Value Restoration

by Laurie Falcone  
Of The Grizzly

I am writing in response to Melissa Forbes' article on the Million Man March that appeared in last week's issue.

Although I too was upset by what seemed to be a separatist march, I delved into the facts and found out firsthand why 400,000 (who's counting?) black males decided to traverse to Washington, often at their own expense.

First of all, Melissa talks about the march being an exclusive activity. I am not denying the fact that other groups were excluded but the main purpose of the march was to call to action one group of people.

By encouraging only black males to attend, perhaps organizers of the march intended to appeal to the group's sense of brotherhood in order to further their cause. This leads me to my next point.

Although Louis Farrakhan was the main organizer of the march, his influence was not the motive for all of the men who marched. Many people think that those who participated did so because they support the Nation of Islam leader. This is not true. The premise of the

Million Man March was the restoration of family values and responsibility on the part of African-American males. This is not to say that all members of all races should not be striving toward these goals, it just so happens that this particular group of men wanted to be recognized as concerned individuals - together.

Let's face it, America's image of the black man in society is not something of which we should be proud. Take the suspicion aroused in the case of Susan Smith and her children. Every black man on the east coast was implicated by this mother who in fact committed the heinous crime herself.

The black men who marched on Oct. 16 were responding to this negative image as well as voicing their concern about the state of the American family.

I truly believe that the only negative aspect of the march was the involvement of Farrakhan in light of his past racial comments.

Otherwise, this march was a peaceful demonstration which has the potential to change, if only in the mind of one person, society's idea of what it is to be an African-American male in America.

how this system is abused by students and how it ends up failing.

Sure I recognize the value of honor, but I do not think that the type of system being discussed here would ever function the way that it is meant to.

The intentions are to make Ursinus students more responsible for themselves. Frankly, we need it, but this system would only cause more problems than it would solve. Look at the alcohol policy! It is designed to make us responsible for ourselves, and all it ends up doing is allowing us to get trashed whenever we want, usually without responsibility.

That system does not work very well, and neither would the honor code.

- Captain Jack

## Truth, Justice, and the American Way

by **Todd Brenneman**  
Of The Grizzly

### URSINUS COLLEGE HELD HOSTAGE: DAY 35

"You shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free." Do you know who said that? If you know a little about the Bible you probably do. Evidently, given last week's *Grizzly*, many people who wrote in don't. For those people, I ask them to read Leviticus 18:22, Romans 1:18-32, and 1 Corinthians 6:9-10. These are just a few examples about the truth of THE CHRISTIAN view of homosexuality. Read it. Not what was printed last week about the Bible's view of homosexuality.

Which gives me a perfect segue into this week's article. It is on truth. If you listen to most liberals or the liberal news media, I think you're not going to get it. So where are you going to get the truth? Well, first, you can start by reading my column. From there watch Rush Limbaugh. And from there, watch C-Span. The combination of all these things (which includes the news media) will give you what I would consider the truth.

Folks, THE TRUTH IS OUT THERE (that's for you X-philes). It may take some looking, but you can't rely on one source for the

truth.

So, in order to get you started, I'm going to provide you with some truths. This is somewhat similar to Rush Limbaugh's 35 Undefeatable Truths. This is also a list of future topics.

1. There is a GOD. (If you'd like to debate, let me know)

2. Let me be perfectly clear: MORALITY IS NOT DETERMINED BY INDIVIDUAL CHOICE! (Relativism will get you into a big heap of trouble.)

3. Homosexuality is a choice. Do the research. I have. I've read Simon LeVay's work. I've read Dean Husk's work. There is no scientific evidence that homosexuality is caused by genes.

4. It is okay to be right. By that I mean conservative. It is okay to believe in conservative principles. It is okay to say there is a difference between right and wrong. It is okay to believe that people who do well in this world should not be punished. It is good to stand up for what you believe in. Don't be ashamed to stand up and say "This is wrong!" It is time to fight for what we believe in. Folks, we members of the Republican party

stand on the threshold of a new future. Our ideals will make this country great. We will be a nation of independents. No longer will the government do what it wants. The government will do what we want. We will be a nation of people depending on no one but ourselves. We won't be a nation on welfare. We will be a nation that fares well in the twenty-first century.

5. If you steal, you're guilty. If you murder, you're guilty. Period. End of story. Eric and Lyle Menendez are guilty of murder. They SHOT their parents. They RELOADED and shot their parents again. One of the first jurors said they felt sorry because they don't have their parents anymore. THEY SHOT THEIR PARENTS, THEY'RE GUILTY.

6. Dr. Nagy has every right to write what he did. The article was poignant, well thought, and accepted by many on this campus. By calling his views closed-minded, writers are making hypocrites of themselves, because they themselves are being closed-minded.

That is the first part of the truths according to Todd. More next week. Keep your chin up; remember, we are winning. See you next week.

## Ignorance Breeds Fear

Dear Editors:

I was quite sorry to read Dr. Douglas Nagy's recent editorial concerning homosexuality. It is distressing to see such uninformed opinions coming from the supposedly enlightened academic community.

Dr. Nagy seeks to condemn homosexuality by associating it with pedophilia and adultery, two morally disturbing practices that statistics have shown are overwhelmingly, and ironically, associated with heterosexuals. It leads me to think that the roots of this vehement dislike of homosexuals stems more from ignorance. Really, Dr. Nagy, the day of the self-loathing queer is long gone.

Really, Dr. Nagy, the day of the self-loathing queer is long gone. And those who "experiment" with homosexuality, as if it were some chemical reaction that could be avoided, are not doomed to "make themselves and others miserable." Quite the contrary. Most gays and lesbians live happy and healthy lives.

Homosexuals are your doctors, policemen, congressmen, and yes, even professors. Most want the security of family, the love of another person, and the right to live in peace just like you. Whereas Dr. Nagy complains about the censor-

ing of one of his former colleagues, gays and lesbians are faced everyday with increased levels of violence, teen suicide three times the national average, and public policy like Colorado's Amendment 2. While I feel for his colleague, let's put things in perspective.

Most current research has shown a positive change in attitude toward homosexuality when the respondent merely knows someone who is gay. The real concern of the ideologues

*"Really, Dr. Nagy, the day of the self-loathing queer is long gone."*

is not the moral direction of our country, but the protection of their dirty little secret. They are deathly afraid the world will figure out that lesbians and gays

are just like them. Homosexuality has been a part of civilization for as long as there has been civilization. May I suggest that it is Dr. Nagy who is in the closet. As it is a safe bet he has taught literally hundreds of lesbian and gay students in his classes and is probably acquainted with many others, his rather narrow definition of morality wouldn't allow him to see these people as friends. Perhaps there is the tragedy.

**Keith Brand**  
Communication Arts Department

## Homosexuality is a Choice

Dear Editors of *The Grizzly*,

I should like to begin my response to several issues addressed in last week's *Grizzly* with a thank you. As you read further, my gratitude may seem odd, but the absence of student and faculty apathy on recent controversies has been a pleasant surprise. I feel the discourses enhance learning. My intent in writing is to express a viewpoint on homosexuality and clarify the inaccuracies I saw in last week's *Cave* column.

Everyone does deserve and needs to feel respect and equal treatment. It has nothing to do with opinions on an issue, what kind of person they are or where they are from. When caring for a person, though, one cannot overlook actions that are wrong. Having homo-

sexual relations is a wrong action. Sexual actions, academic decisions, and participating in various activities all involve an initial thought or desire. A choice is made whether to act upon the thought or desire! As a molecular biologist, I cannot ignore the evidence for some desire to be encoded by our genetic make up. However, homosexuality is not analogous to eye color, skin color, or height. Predisposition to homosexuality is analogous to alcoholism or compulsive behaviors. One has a choice to act upon the desire. Biblically, the choice to be homosexual is said to be wrong. A very clear declaration is found in Romans 1:26-27. Paul, the author of Roman, records a consequence of man and woman renouncing God's plan for sexual purity. He

wrote, "because of this, God gave them (meaning those that have rejected God's truth) over to shameful lusts. Even women exchanged natural relations for unnatural ones. In the same way, men abandoned natural relations with lust for one another. Men committed indecent acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their perversion." What is the penalty? It is the same for any sin (i.e. lying, being greedy, engaging in premarital sex, being homosexual) or rejection of God's plan. The punishment is Hell. Captain Jack made an insightful statement when he indicated "not a single, solitary soul here at Ursinus is fit to enter Heaven." However, what he did not realize is that there is a way for everyone to become fit to enter Heaven. The answer is found in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

By acknowledging your sins, repenting of them (and note, this process is continuous for we are all sinners and cannot be perfect), and bringing Christ into your life, you will live in Heaven! We cannot do so on our own merit, good works, or any other path.

Now before I close, Captain Jack made some statements on which I would like to comment. People who engage in premarital sex are sinners, but sex between man and woman in the context of marriage is not evil. In fact, married couples are encouraged to find pleasure and intimacy in intercourse (Genesis 1:27, Matthew 19:4). Captain Jack also brought up the valuable point of free will, though he may not have realized it. "Whether these people are man and woman, man and man, woman and woman, or a group of

men and women, it is their right to pursue their own desires." God did create us with free will, or the ability to make choices. We have also obtained the knowledge of good and evil. Therefore, it follows that because every action has a reaction, wrong actions have consequences. Please contemplate what actions you take! Decisions you make determine your eternal future.

I can assure you that all hope is not lost. If you feel you have or are making wrong choices, God allows for U-turns. Jesus tells us in Mark 2:17 that "it is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

**Jennifer Rupprecht**  
Class of 1996



## ◆◆◆◆◆ Movie Mania ◆◆◆◆◆

by Colin Tucker

Winner of 20 Academy Awards

This week, I am reviewing the wholesome family movies *Casper* and *The Santa Clause*, both of which just came out on video. You may be asking "Why am I doing this?" First and foremost, nothing in the theaters really appeals to me right now, and nothing else on video does. Anyway, I thought it would be a good change of pace to look at some good family fare after all the R and even NC-17 rated movies I have reviewed. Also, many of you may have younger siblings or cousins that you can watch these movies with.

*Casper*- For those of you who haven't seen the cartoon, it is about Casper, the friendly ghost (who seems to resemble a transparent Pillsbury doughboy in this movie) who only wants a friend, but scares everyone away. A rich villain (Cathy Moriarty) and her lawyer (Eric Idle, formerly of Monty Py-

thon) buy a mansion. Upon discovering the mansion is haunted, they hire a "ghost therapist" (Bill Pullman), who moves into the mansion with his daughter (Christina Ricci).

The daughter needs a friend after the death of her mother, and finds one in Casper. However, they also have to contend with Casper's three uncles, Fatso, Stretch, and Stinkie (self-explanatory).

Although the story is standard stuff (sort of like *Beetlejuice* meets *Sesame Street*), the real treat in the movie is the computer-generated special effects, which make the ghosts seem as if they are really there. Christina Ricci, who, as Wednesday Addams, in *The Addams Family* movie, was the only thing that kept that sub-medioere, plotless movie from going into the trash can, again gives a good performance in this movie. The movie also provided a drama balance between emotional grand and pure zaniness.

Although this movie lacked the energy and inspiration of other films of this type such as *Beetlejuice*; it is still good enough for kids to get a real kick out of it, and for adults to enjoy

suit and the reindeer will know what to do." He did not, however, read the fine print that says he is obligated to take over Santa's job. Scott and his son are then rushed to the North Pole for intensive Santa training. Scott undergoes physical changes (he gains 45 pounds and develops white hair and a beard) and handles his emotional concerns with the divorce and the custody of his son.

This is a rather well written and very cutesy story that kids will love, and adults will enjoy a little (when you watch the movie, keep an eye out for the E.L.F.S.—you will see what I mean). I have said repeatedly that the best way for kiddie movies to make money is not only to appeal to kids, but also to make the movie enjoyable for adults as well both *Casper* and *The Santa Clause*, along with other movies like *Aladdin*, and *The Lion King* were successful because adults could enjoy them. This reasoning also explains why crap such as *Little Giants* and *The Pebble and the Pen-*

*quin* did not do too well.

Although we do not see much of Tim Allen's proudly masculine, grunting, "more power" persona that we are used to on *Home Improvement*, he had good timing with his lines, and was still very funny and has proven himself as a versatile comedian. Both of these movies are available for less than \$20 on video, so both of these fairly good movies will make great Christmas gifts for your little brothers, sisters, cousins, friends, godchildren, etc. **Rating- 7 (Good)**

*Movie quote of the week-* Last week's quote "Hold on to your lug nuts, it's time for an overhaul!" was from *The Mask* and was guessed by sophomore Greg Urban. Greg is the first soph this year to get a quote. No women have guessed the quote yet, so I need to hear from you, ladies! Anyway, this week's quote is "You're going to regret this for the rest of your life—both seconds of it!"

Next Week-

**Mallrats**

Starring  
Shannen Doherty

a little as well. **Rating- 7 (Good)**

*The Santa Clause*- Scott Calvin (Tim Allen) plays a divorced dad in this movie. His son reluctantly stays with him on Christmas Eve. He mistakes Santa Claus for a prowler, and causes him to fall from the roof. He finds a card on Ol' Saint Nick that says "If anything happens to me, put on the

## Ursinus Choir and Meistersingers perform works by Purcell

From College Communications

The Ursinus College Choir and the Meistersingers, Ursinus' select student vocal ensemble, performed a program of music by English composer Henry Purcell on Saturday, Oct. 28, at 8 p.m. in Bomberger Auditorium.

Commemorating the 300th anniversary of Purcell's death in 1695, the program was directed by Dr. John French, professor of music at Ursinus, assistant conductor of the Mendelssohn Club Choir and organist/choirmaster at the Church of the Holy Trinity on Philadelphia's Rittenhouse Square.

The performance featured college organist Alan Morrison; trumpeters Mark Huxsoll and William Scheible; sopranos Kathleen Pilla

and Edwina French; altos Karen Richter and Jan Taylor; tenor Michael Magiera, and bass Reginald Pindell.

"Te Deum Laudamus," "Jubilate Deo," "Sonata for Organ and Trumpet," birthday and funeral music composed for Queen Mary and several anthems were performed.

Holder of the William F. Heefner Chair of Music at Ursinus, French holds a bachelor of music degree in conducting from the Philadelphia College of the Performing Arts and a master of music degree in choral conducting from Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N.J. He recently received his doctor of musical arts degree in choral conducting from the College Conservatory of Music, University of Cincinnati.

by Keith Nunnelle

Special to The Grizzly

Belonging to the mysteriously elusive group known as the Evening Division, I get a pretty unique view of Ursinus. Well, maybe unique bordering on weird.

My evening ritual begins with lateness. You see, I suffer from an incurable condition doctors have yet to even classify that causes perpetual tardiness. However, along with all of the pain, suffering, and lowered grades, this condition, incomprehensible and inexcusable to every professor I've ever encountered, provides enormous cardiovascular benefits. Yes, my lateness, combined with the expansive Ursinus parking desert, has created one healthy physical specimen. By the time I come tearing onto campus the last available parking space is located in a different time zone which is of course always east of my class. This means I am now an hour and fifteen minutes late.

I am always The Very Last One To Arrive. Thus, the power-walk (evening students have forgotten how to run) from car to class begins in an eerie, desolate silence. During the

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first half of the trek I only encounter the campus' abundant sculptures. (College Campus or Easter Island? You be the judge.) Finally, as I approach civilization a few day students come into sight. And this, friends and neighbors, is where it gets unique.

The day students, usually in pairs or small groups, are able to spot an evening student miles away. (See the aforementioned parking space.) I'm not sure what it is that tips them off. Is it the wedding band? Tie? Umbrella? Maybe the Dockers? Or is it the absence of something? No baseball cap? No protest T-shirt? No random piercing? ("Dude, check out my side-of-the-head ring!") I intentionally make my Evening Affiliation all the more obvious by wearing (gasp) SOCKS.

In just under two years at Ursinus I have yet to observe a day student sporting socks. It is these same, unassuming, garments, fellow evening students, that make us stand out like a narc at a Dead show. In the presence of socks day students will end a conversation in mid sentence. They will then use their sensitive sock detecting radar (SDR) to

find the approaching evening student. Then, avoiding any sudden movements that may alarm us, they will start to move slowly away. After all, we are contagious. And let's face it, you've got to get up pretty early in the evening to pull the wool over the ankles of a day student.

How far has this sock thing gone? I don't want to be an alarmist but I've heard a lot of rumors lately. In fact, I wouldn't be surprised if *The Grizzly* broke the story that the athletic department is pursuing a contract with Birkenstock to exclusively provide footwear for all of the Ursinus teams. This is obviously a thinly veiled attempt to eliminate socks from the face of collegiate sports. You heard it here first.

So there I am, in all my socked glory, wearing a wedding band for all to see, my umbrella handle ominously visible from my briefcase, in Dockers slacks and a shirt with a collar. I really don't understand what the big deal is. Isn't it normal to power-walk past a group of your peers while mumbling about the desert, Easter Island, time zones, and getting a watch repaired?

## proTheatre to perform *The Tempest*

proTheatre, Ursinus' drama organization, presents William Shakespeare's magical play *The Tempest* for an unusual six performance run. The show will be performed Tuesday Oct. 31 through Saturday Nov. 4 at 7:30 p.m., with a special performance at noon on Thursday November 2 for students and senior citizens.

Directed by Jane Agostinelli, lecturer in English, and co-directed by Joyce E. Henry, professor of Communication Arts, the production contains an original musical score composed and recorded by Leon Petrus, a New York composer and singer. The large cast includes students, faculty, Ursinus graduates, members of the Ursinus Dance Club and community actors.

Sometimes interpreted as Shakespeare's farewell to the stage, the Ursinus production experiments with the contemporary practice of cross-gender casting. The roles of Prospero, Trinuclio, and Ariel, customarily taken by men, will be performed by women, thus exploring our expectations of gender.

Call 409-3604 for reservations. Tickets are \$5.00 for general admission and \$3.00 for students. At the noon performance on Thursday, all tickets will be \$2.00.

### Come out and support proTheatre!

## What's Up in Wellness?

by Kim Ryan

Of The Grizzly

Well, Alcohol Awareness month has come to a close. I'm sure that by now you are all tired of reading articles about alcohol and why it is so bad for you. However, I hope that my articles, short stories about real people and actual incidents have, if nothing else, made you think about your decisions and actions regarding the use of alcohol.

My purpose was never to eliminate drinking from our campus; frankly, this would not be realistic.

Rather, my objective was to encourage you to drink responsibly and be aware that there are consequences to your actions - consequences that could possibly cost you your life. The problem is that everyone thinks "it could never happen to me". Well, the truth is that it does and is happening at an alarming rate to college students everywhere - to young people just like us on campuses just like ours. Please, if you drink, use common sense; learn to take care of yourself.

At 22 years of age, I know that I have a lot of life left to enjoy and a lot of things still to do. I also know

that my future may include a beer or two more "down the road"; however, I intend to be intelligent in my decision-making and encourage all of you to do the same. If you choose to drink, please be aware of the risks involved. Be responsible for yourself and others around you. **ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE!**

**NOTE:** I just wanted to thank all who worked on the Alcohol Awareness committee. I'm sure all would agree that the week was a great success. Special thanks to Kim Taylor for all of your help.

### ATTENTION ALL UC STUDENTS:

**FLU SHOTS ARE NOW BEING GIVEN AT THE WELLNESS CENTER. THE COST IS \$6 A SHOT. PLEASE CALL TODAY TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT. BE AWARE THAT INFLUENZA, "THE FLU," CAN BECOME QUITE SERIOUS IF LEFT UNTREATED. IT IS CONSIDERED AN UPPER RESPIRATORY ILLNESS AND MAY LEAD TO BRONCHITIS OR POSSIBLY EVEN PNEUMONIA. REMEMBER THAT STUDENTS LIVING WITHIN THE COLLEGE COMMUNITY ARE ESPECIALLY PRONE. DON'T BE A WIMP: COME GET THE SHOT. ISN'T IT BETTER THAN BEING SICK FOR A WEEK? CONTACT THE WELLNESS CENTER TODAY! X2412.**

## Ethnic-American Writer to Speak

Lisa Jones, playwright, author, and staff writer for the *Village Voice*, will be on campus November 9, as this semester's Ethnic American writer. Daughter of a Black nationalist father and Jewish mother, Jones focuses her commentaries on race, sex, multiculturalism and "the politics of style." She is the author of *Bulletproof Diva: Tales of Race, Sex, and Hair*. Her journalism has received numerous awards, including an Emma Award for commentary in print journalism from the National Women's Political Caucus and a Clarion Award for column writing. She also contributes to *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Mirabella*, *Vibe* and *Es-sence*.

Jones will do a workshop on writing and multiculturalism at 4 p.m. in Unity House and an evening lecture at 7:30 in Olin Auditorium. For further information about the day's events, contact Gina Oboler in Anthropology and Sociology.

## The Million Man March

What does it mean to you? This is the topic of an open discussion led by Todd McKinney and 1995 Ursinus graduate, Rahsaan Matthews. Everyone is welcome. Please join us in Wismer Parents' Lounge at 12:30 p.m. on October 31. This event is sponsored by the Department of politics in cooperation with Multicultural Services.

## B.Y.O.!

by Denelle Godek

Of The Grizzly

Nothing discourages me from going to lunch after 12:30 more than the thought of endless tables with trash all over them. Bussing Your Own seems to be a problem again this year.

Now, I know that those who care bus, but for those of you who don't, I am going to add an element Ursinus students are always interested in: money. In Wismer, we always hear how students feel about our quality in correlation to how much it costs to go here per year.

However, no one seems to think

about how much money it costs to clean all those tables. If you figure the cost of paying one worker for an hour to clean up the tables after meals, you are looking at \$84 per week just for lunch and dinner.

Considering that it usually takes more than one worker to clean up the trash on the tables, Wismer could save quite a bit of money if all students would B.Y.O. That money, in turn, could be used to buy other things, thereby fulfilling many of the comment cards that come across our desks.

For those of you who bus—THANKS!! For those of you who don't—Please Start!

## SPOTLIGHT

## Beatrice May

by Colin Tucker

Layout/Design Coordinator

Ursinus junior Beatrice May has made herself known at Ursinus by participating in many artistic, academic and service-oriented activities on campus.

May, 20, is engaged in a large number of activities at Ursinus including *The Grizzly*, the Kappa Delta Kappasorority; college choir; Silken Rhythm, a four-part women's harmony group consisting of four singers and an accompanying pianist; U.C. Hot S.H.O.T.S., which is Ursinus' service group, and more.

May comes from Fort Washington, Pa., and has two older sisters, Leslie and Joyce, who are 40 and 37, respectively, as well as one older brother, Herb, who is 36. She attended Upper Dublin High School.

She said her most important reasons for choosing Ursinus were for

its small size and strong biology program. Also, her mother, who has an antique shop, noticed the paintings in the college's Berman Museum of Art. Her mother figured that the alumni that donated the artwork must be successful, so her daughter would be successful as well.

May has been heavily involved with service projects at Ursinus, such as U.C. Hot S.H.O.T.S., which stands for Students helping Others Through Service. She is also the service chair for the Kappa Delta Kappa sorority, and she helped establish the Hobson service house, which is a residence hall devoted to service projects. With the assistance of faculty member Dr. Andrew Economopoulos, she gave a presentation on service-based learning at the Ursinus faculty conference held last year.

Her interest in service projects began during the summer of 1991, before her senior year in high school, when her church group took a ser-

vice trip to Jonestown, Miss., a poor community composed prima-



Junior Beatrice May

rily of African Americans. The group was to complete the construction of a Habitat for Humanity house.

They were unable to finish con-

struction of the house due to the cement company's prejudice against the townspeople. The company, which had to finish its work before May's church group was to complete the construction, procrastinated because they did not want to work for African Americans.

The cement company did not begin their work by the end of the church group's trip.

The church group felt they had to do something constructive while they were in Mississippi, so they improved area senior citizens' homes.

"It really gave me a taste of reality in the world. Being able to come out of suburbia, I was able to get in touch with these people, and realize they do not have the resources that we do," May said about her trip.

May has been singing in choruses and musicals since she was in the fourth grade. At Ursinus, she is in the college choir and Meistersingers,

a smaller group of singers selected from the college choir. She played the lead in many of her high school musicals such as "Brigadoon" and "Guys and Dolls".

May is a biology major and communication arts minor. She wants to go into patent law or environmental law. She started out solely as a biology major, but she also enjoys public speaking, and decided to pursue a law career.

"By going into law, I can help people on a more businesslike level than I could have as a biology major," she said. She wants to attend law school at night while working at another job during the day. She said that she enjoys being very busy.

"This past summer, I did not do much besides work, and I got tired of doing nothing," May said.



## The Parable of the Beach

by "Grave" Dave Webb

Special to The Grizzly

Bright and early one fine summer morning, Bobby and Suzie awoke and decided to go down to the seashore. They put on their swimsuits, packed their blankets and towels, their suntan lotion, and their plastic buckets and shovels for making sandcastles.

They walked under the boardwalk and set their feet into the soft sand. A gentle breeze was blowing in off the ocean, just enough to cool the heat of the sun. It was morning, and the beach hadn't received many guests yet. Bobby and Suzie chose a nice spot, right on the border of the cool, wet sand and the hot, dry sand. Bobby spread out the blanket while Suzie unpacked the buckets and shovels. They helped each other put on suntan lotion and then went right to work on a sandcastle.

As the morning went on, The Sun rose higher and higher into the sky, until it was high enough to look down on the beach and see Bobby and Suzie hard at work on their castle. The Sun called out to them.

"Hello, there, children! What a pleasure to see you out here today,

already working on a sandcastle that will no doubt make the beach a more beautiful place today. But let me give you a piece of advice: watch out for The Tide. He will snatch your belongings. He will wash away your beautiful sandcastle. He will force you off the beach completely if he so desires. For The Tide is very, very powerful."

And Bobby said to Suzie, "I think we'd better move our blanket back a little bit, so The Tide doesn't take our things." Suzie agreed, and they picked up their blanket and towels and moved a few steps back from the water. They went back to work on their castle. It was growing tall and as the beach became more crowded, passers-by stopped for longer and longer to observe the work in progress. And as they worked, The Tide inched closer, but remained silent to the children.

The Sun spoke up. "Children, children! Don't you see! That's not far enough back! The Tide is getting closer! You must move further back!" Bobby and Suzie again picked up their belongings and moved them further back. They reinforced the wall of their castle which faced the ocean, so that The Tide would have to be very strong to wash it away.

Midday came and passed. The castle grew. It was now three stories high, and was protected by a moat. Then, The Tide burst forth with a powerful blow to the ocean-side wall, flooding the moat, and causing a small collapse on another side. The blanket and towels, now back several yards from the castle, were just barely touched by the wave. Bobby and Suzie panicked, and The Sun spoke again.

"Children! The Tide is at your doorstep! You must move back! The Tide is getting ready to take everything away from you!"

Bobby and Suzie once again picked up their blanket and towels and moved them back a few more steps, aware of the impending doom for their castle if The Tide were to strike many more times with such power. They continued to work as the sun moved through the sky. They tried to reinforce the castle, but The Tide was too quick and too strong. The castle had to be abandoned. One of their shovels got caught as a wave rolled out and was lost. The children picked up their buckets and shovels, their blanket and towels, and ran up onto the boardwalk.

They watched The Tide roll in,

wave by wave, silently breaking down the walls of their monument. By late afternoon, The Tide had washed away the last remnants of their mighty fort. The Sun, getting ready to set, looked down at the children and spoke for the last time.

"It's a shame that Tide has to wash away castles and shovels, never saying why, never giving warning. All that work for nothing. All that fun destroyed."

Bobby and Suzie, saddened by the loss of their castle, walked down and stood by where they had built it. The Tide had gone out now, and it was too late in the day to try again. As they turned to leave, The Tide spoke.

"Bobby, Suzie. Don't be sad about your castle. You can always build another one. Don't be sad about your shovel. You can always buy another one. But you'd better hurry up and get home, for your suntan lotion wore off many hours ago, and The Sun has turned your skin the color of fire. Stay home for awhile, and let your skin heal. The beach will always be here. You know, it was The Sun who kept telling you to watch out for me, but all the while, he was doing more damage to you than any of my

waves."

It has become commonplace when posing arguments against conservatives and people whose beliefs are founded in a code of ethics to warn the children of The Tide, the wave which will supposedly take away what you own and control your lives. The conservatives are compared to Nazis, ready to remove those who don't meet the qualifications of the party. Those who claim to be shedding light on a particular issue, will tell you to keep a close eye on those "mean-spirited" conservatives. And all the while, behind your back, they'll inch closer and closer to the left, toward socialism, toward a complete lack of standards, a virtual rejection of logic, and an embrace of feeling. The Sun sheds a lot of light and provides a lot of warmth. It feels good for awhile. But, too much of it causes cancer, to skin and to society. The Tide doesn't hide itself. It rolls in and out, like clockwork, occasionally sweeping away neglected items. You might want to keep an eye on it, for you might lose something once in awhile, but don't forget to look over your shoulder. You just might get burned. R.I.P.

# FACING REALITY

JEANINE WOKE UP IN A COLD SWEAT WITH ONE THING ECHOING THROUGH HER BRAIN..... WHO WAS THIS PERSON IN HER BATHROOM?.....

MEANWHILE BARRY WAS THINKING..... "WHOSE BATHROOM AM I IN?"

JEANINE REMEMBERED GOING TO A PARTY AND GETTING SMASHED OUT OF HER MIND...

BARRY REMEMBERED GETTING DRUNK AND ACTING REALLY STUPID....

EVENTUALLY THE WHOLE EVENING CAME BACK!!...

"WHAT DID I DO? HOW DID I GET MYSELF INTO THIS?..."

WHAT ABOUT...

WHAT ABOUT...

WHAT ABOUT AIDS!

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## Soccer

## Defeats Cabrini, Falls to Muhlenberg

Brad Getz and Ed Luberski scored unassisted goals and Ursinus (9-7) defeated Cabrini (13-4-2), 2-1 in a non-conference soccer match on Oct. 25.

Getz scored his team-leading 12th goal of the season with 6:38 to play in the first half. Luberski's first collegiate goals came with 37:55 to play and gave the Bears a 2-0 lead.

Jeff Winters scored an unassisted goal for Cabrini with 24:13 left in the game.

The Cavs outshot Ursinus 19-9. Both teams had five corner kicks. Scott King saved 10 shots in goal for the Bears.

On Oct. 28, the Bears fell at Muhlenberg, 3-0.



## Volleyball

## Season Ends With Loss

The Ursinus volleyball team ended its season with a 3-0 loss to Muhlenberg on Oct. 25. The Bears fell 8-15, 5-15, 8-15. Ursinus managed just 12 kills in the match and Chloe Morroni recorded seven of them. She also added nine digs. Jenni Nelson contributed nine set assists for the Bears. Ursinus ended the season with a 5-24 record, including 2-8 in the Centennial Conference.

On Oct. 23, Host Swarthmore

blanked Ursinus, 3-0, in a Centennial Conference match. The Bears fell 5-15, 9-15, and 11-15. Tracy DiSanto had eight kills in the match, and Nelson contributed 13 assists. Coach Lisa Cornish cited the play of her bench, including Suzanne LaScalza, who had four service points, including two aces, and three digs in the third game. Monica Coleman also played solidly.

Lea Herdman had eight digs in the first game.

Field  
Hockey

## Drops Decisions to St. Joe's and Rutgers

Melanie Taube scored off of an assist from Krissy Holak, with 5:12 left in the first overtime period, and gave St. Joseph's (12-5), a 2-1 win over host Ursinus (9-5) on Oct. 23. The game-winning goal came on the guests 26th penalty corner of the game.

Kelly Foster had given Ursinus a 1-0 lead with 14:15 to play in the first half. The unassisted goal was Foster's team-leading sixth of the season. The Hawks' Dani Bleam tied the game with her fifth goal with 13:05 to play in regulation. Colleen Walsh was credited with

the assist.

St. Joe's outshot Ursinus 19-5, and held a 26-6 edge in penalty corners. Barb Golley saved 17 shots in goal for the Bears, who lost for the second straight game.

The next night, the Bears traveled to Piscataway, N.J. and fell to host Rutgers, 3-1. Rutgers fired 38 shots at the Ursinus goal, including 22 in the first half. Becky Saba's goal 4:10 into the game gave the hosts a 1-0 lead. Val Coyle and Brenda Bailey were credited with assists.

The Bears' Amy Shelley tied the game 24:51 before the intermission.

Judie Marcus was credited with an assist.

Heather Farlow scored the game-winner with an assist from Melissa Schepacartera with 15:14 to play in the game. Brandi Bailey added and insurance goal with 11:11 left.

Rutgers had 16 penalty corners to two for Ursinus. Golley saved 26 shots in goals, her teammates managed just three shots on the Rutgers goals.

The Bears close out their season with the annual Eleanor Snell Cup game with West Chester on Halloween.



## X-Country

## Harriers Compete in CC Championship

The men's and women's cross country teams finished eighth and ninth, respectively at the Centennial Conference Championships, held Oct. 28, at Rose Tree Park in Media, Pa.

Barry Keppard was the first to cross the finish line for the men. He

placed 29th in 29:54. Joel Guidry finished the 8,000 meter course in 30:30, good for 40th place. Bayard Huck was 52nd in 31:30, while Tony Ciliberto placed 59th, Brian Delin, 61st, and Mike Vergano 77th.

Andrea Gaitan was the top women's finisher. She finished the

5,000 meter course in 38th place with a time of 21:36. Ericka Heil was 43rd in 21:49, while Lynne Knothe was 52nd, Justine Boettger 76th, and Lauren Newkirk 83rd.

Haverford won the men's and women's races, with Gettysburg finishing second both times.

# A PHILLY FAN

by Joel Schofer

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The Philadelphia Eagles have taken two major hits this past week, one of which I'm sure all Eagles fans know and another that they may be oblivious to. I'll start by addressing the one about which most fans are aware; in other words, I'll start with Bernard Williams.

If I had one thing to look forward to this past weekend with respect to the Eagles, it was the solidification of the porous left side of the Eagles offensive line by the return of Bernard Williams, last year's first round draft pick and starting left tackle.

Barrett Brooks, this year's third rounder and starting left tackle, has been experiencing the problems one would expect from a rookie starting in the NFL. He's a revolving door, allowing free entrance to the

quarterback's blind side to which-ever linebacker or defensive lineman the opposition decides should enter through the door.

When Bernard Williams was a rookie he too experienced some growing pains, but not to the extent Brooks has. Brooks has been so bad that the Eagles would probably choose to play without a left tackle if it was possible. In fact, they'd probably play Dr. Wailgum over Brooks if she was on the roster.

So, among all of this ineptitude at left tackle, I thought that this past game would have offered some respite, but alas, I forgot about all of the temptations that our world has to offer. Yes, I forgot, but Bernard Williams certainly didn't.

For the second time this season, with the first resulting in the six game suspension that kept him out of the Eagles lineup this long, Bernard Williams has violated the

NFL's drug policy.

The first violation is no mystery. Williams admitted to marijuana use, promptly apologized to both the fans, his teammates, and the coaching staff, and promised to set his problems straight. Fine, but...

The second violation is a mystery. No one knows whether this violation was because he missed after-care or because he was listening to a little too much Cypress Hill and decided he wanted to get high, so high. All we know is that he's been suspended for the remainder of the season and that we have to watch, hope, and pray, pray, pray that Barrett Brooks can develop into a solid left tackle.

Bernard Williams has solidified his position on the Eagles next season. He has none! He will be cut, and rightfully so. Let somebody else take him, all of his drug problems, and his off-season habits of

playing basketball until his 6'8" 320 pound frame is 6'8" and 270 pounds.

In all honesty, I do wish him the best of luck and hope he can get his problems straightened out, but the Eagles shouldn't have any room on their team for someone who breaks promises like that.

The Eagles also shouldn't have room on their team for Reggie Johnson, and we thought they didn't, which brings me to the second fatality the Eagles have sustained this past week.

Reggie Johnson, ye of the stone hands, thankfully was cut by the Eagles after training camp, but has returned not to catch passes (again thankfully), but to help solve some of the special teams problems that have so plagued the Eagles this season.

Now, I have one MAJOR problem with this. The problem with the Eagles special teams has been a lack

of tackling ability. Reggie Johnson is a tight end. Tight ends don't tackle, they catch passes and block. Well...in this case, tight ends block. They don't tackle.

I don't want tight ends playing special teams for the Eagles. I want linebackers! I want big, mean, defensive minded veterans who can't wait to rip the heads off of all return men in the NFL. This is not Reggie Johnson.

The Eagles special teams and offensive line have taken big hits this past week, in the former case because of an addition and in the latter case because of a subtraction. Let's just hope that Rodney Peete doesn't take any big hits because I'm not in the mood right now to watch Barrett Brooks get spun around, Reggie Johnson "tackle," and Randal Cunningham lead the team.



## Football

Matt Taylor scored on a 1-yd run with 16 seconds to play and Roy Shannon's conversion gave Catholic University (4-2-1) a 21-20 win over host Ursinus (2-6).

Taylor's touchdown was his third of the game and capped a 15-play, 74-yard game-winning drive. He carried 11 times for 53 yards on the drive, including each of the final five plays.

For the day he gained a season-best 180 yards on 35 carries. Taylor now has a Catholic record 36 career rushing touchdowns.

Ursinus, which entered the game ranked sixth in the nation in pass efficiency defense, intercepted four Catholic passes. Jason Honig, making his first career start, picked off two passes.

Jonathan Oliver's interception, and 16-yard return to the Catholic

21, set up Dan Steigerwalt's four-yard touchdown run, which gave Ursinus a 20-14 lead with 13:40 to play. Mark McGonagle's extra point attempt was blocked.

The Bears' Gary Rhodenbaugh intercepted a Kevin Ricca pass on Catholic's next possession, and returned it to the Cardinals 18. But Ursinus could not capitalize. The Bears, down to their third-string holder, settled for a McGonagle 30-yard field goal attempt which, too, was blocked.

Ursinus took a 7-0 lead when Brian Coyle recovered a fumbled punt in the end zone with 8:59 to play in the opening quarter. Catholic tied the game on Taylor's 14-yard run with 1:49 left in the half. Ursinus then drove 66 yards in 10 plays and took a 14-7 halftime lead when Chris Orlando hit Robert

Owens with a three-yard touchdown pass 10 seconds before the intermission. The key play on the drive was a 35-yard Hail Mary pass completion to Ron Floyd.

### How they scored...

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| Catholic | 0 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 21 |
| Ursinus  | 7 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 20 |

UC 1st B. Coyle 0-fumble return (Mark McGonagle kick)

CU 2nd M. Taylor, 14-run (Shannon kick)

UC 2nd R. Owens, 3-pass from C. Orlando (Mark McGonagle kick)

CU 3rd M. Taylor, 3-run (Shannon kick)

UC 4th D. Steigerwalt, 4-run (kick blocked)

CU 4th M. Taylor, 1-run (Shannon kick)



Ursinus Junior Andrew Stankus (left) represented the United States in the Karate competition at the 1995 Mediterranean Games in Macedonia, Greece earlier this month. Congratulations, Andy!

## CHUCK'S WAGON

by Charlie Weingroff  
Sports Editor

I'll save World Series stuff for next week because game 6 is on right now. I am surprised the Reds couldn't finish off the Indians in Cleveland after dominating the first 2 in Cincy. We'll see what happens.

It is no small secret that the Dolphins find their way into the graces of this weekly Wagon with great frequency. Perhaps too frequently, as evidenced last week, by my suggesting the Colts cringe in peril upon having to play the Dolphins a second time. So if I am going to sing the praises of the most successful team in the history of any pro sport, I am certainly going to rip them when it is deserved.

The Jets?

How does an NFL team go out, play a full game of football, and lose to the Jets? Never have I puked with more force and vigor. Not even when I ate 60 Chicken McNuggets in an hour. The Jets are the worst team in the NFL, bar none. Both Carolina and Jacksonville are better. These clowns in green have absolutely nothing except a great player Mo Lewis, and 2 upcoming stars in Marvin Jones and Aaron Glenn. Note these are three guys. In a three on three game of touch at

Uncle Gary's house, these guys could be world champs. But when teamed with players like Heathcliff, Garfield, Scooby, and other assorted farm animals, we have one of the worst teams ever in the NFL. And to this team that holds training camp in a barn and silo, the Dolphins lost.

The Dolphins, pre-Buffalo, have lost 3 games in a row. In no way, shape, or form should the Fins have lost to the Colts, up 24-3 at the half. That's hor-ren-dous. Absolutely inexcusable. Then without Dan Marino, the Fins go into New Orleans and happily hand the Saints their only win of the year. A real clean job, especially by backup QB Bernie Kosar who wound up with something like 368 yards, which masked his brutal 3 picks. Big yards again against the Jets, but with 85 more picks. That's 88 interceptions in 2 games. That's just too many from the highest paid backup QB in the NFL.

I guess the Dolphins are just not a very good team without Dan Marino. If anyone would say the Dolphins are not a better team than the Colts, Saints, or Jets, I would say they were a dufus, but it doesn't work like that in real life, and somebody better beat that into Don Shula's head real quick.

This past week, we had a trio of real class acts surface, resurface,

and drown. First, Keith Jackson of the Green Bay Packers. The ProBowl TE was traded in the offseason in a set of deals between the Fins and Pack. Immediately after being traded, he was quoted as saying, "Nanny Nanny PooPoo. I won't play for you." This is an 8 year veteran of the NFL. He is without question one of the best TEs in football. In his heyday, perhaps one of the best ever. But to get traded to a pretty good team like the Pack, and pout, try to get traded again, and basically act like a baby is, well, hor-ren-dous.

Oh, and then we have Mr. Barry Foster. What a fine gentleman Mr. Foster is. After refusing to play with little injuries like a stuffy nose, he was run out of Pittsburgh. Then he got cut by an expansion team. Then he signed with the Bengals. Things are looking up. One day of hard practice and meetings. He walks into coach Dave Shula's office and hands him back his signing bonus. He says he's out of shape, yet he weighs 225 pounds, 5 pounds over his playing weight. Barry Foster is a punk.

And how can we leave out Feable OL Bernard Williams. Overrated, overpaid, overevaluated, and starting in the NFL. You figure you wouldn't do anything to screw this one up. Tested positive for pot. Out

6 weeks. Retested. Bam, out for the year. That's good, quality stuff right there. Really make's you want to hold your hat.

While we're on class acts, let's shift to the NHL, where there is no bigger class act than Brett Hull. In any athlete's career, you're bound to run into a coach you don't like. It just happens. One privilege players are not allowed to have is who's the coach. Well, that's unless you're Mark Messier. Of course, he orchestrated the Mike Keenan ousting from New York. And funny how this insubordination from the superstar surfaces again with Keenan as the coach, now with the St. Louis Blues.

Keenan stripped Hull of the Captain's jersey with the Blues. That's fine. The coach isn't always right, but he is all-powerful. So Brett Hull spouts off saying that he's the captain whether the 'C' is on his jersey or not. Come on. That may be true, but it isn't something you say to the media, who is probably, just by chance, going to repeat it to Keenan. Then Hull says he plays for his teammates, not his coach. Again probably true, but not needed to be said. The Blues are a very good team. Brett Hull is one of the best in the league. But you do need a coach to win, and Keenan wins. They better get their act to-

gether over there.

Will someone explain the definition of contract to Ottawa Senator center Alexei Yashin? You now, the official legal document that he signed to play hockey for the Senators in exchange for money. I know he's Russian, but there's got to be someone in the Yashin camp that can explain to him that this "contract" does, in fact, obligate him to play for the Senators, and the Senators only, irregardless of how awful they are. And, indeed, they are awful. He'll get it sooner or later.

Last week's question, which I thought was going to be a tough one, turned out to be pretty easy. Joe Simone caught me first to tell me that instant replay was used in a Saturday Night's Main Event championship cage match between Paul Orndorff and Hulk Hogan. Of course, to win a cage match, you have to reach the floor before your opponent. Both took the walls of the cage route simultaneously. WWF officials pulled out the punch time clocks and showed that Hulk Hogan did touch the floor before Mr. Wonderful. So for the next World Wrestling Federation Trivia Question of the Week: Where was the Big Boss Man's legal jurisdiction? That's all for this week, and the pleasure was all yours.