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For a moment, the lie becomes truth.
--F. Dostoevsky

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Airband Sets Its New Fundraising Record

by **Laura Hergesell**
of the Grizzly

The 14th annual Airband was held last Friday night, sponsored by the Residence Life Office and resident assistants. Student co-chairs for the event were Faith Tate and Marie-Patrice Githens.

The crowd was won over by the M.C.'s, Denise Velez and Casey Fosbenner, whose dance to "We are the World," and impressions of Chris Farley kept the crowd laughing.

Over 500 tickets were sold, and

\$8730, the highest amount ever raised by Airband, will benefit senior Brett Gwaltney and freshman James Fielder.

The judges for the concert were Lisa Tremper-Barnes, Buddy Hannah, Lynda Manz, Dr. Andrew Price, Carla Rinde, Dr. Jeff Neslen, Adele Boyd, Dean Akin, Nicole Minardi and Gary Hodgson Sr.

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photo by **Kristen Schumann**

Women's Health Discussed in Merck Lecture

by **Linda Tran**
Special to The Grizzly

On March 24, chemist Dr. Diane Hauze and biologist Dr. Susan Fitzpatrick from Wyeth-Ayerst in Radnor, PA, presented a talk on "Recent Advances in Women's Health Research". This was the first lecture in a series of lectures partially funded by an award from the Merck Foundation to encourage collaborative research between the two departments.

Women's health is an exciting area of medicine that was often neglected in the past, but now a

great interest in the special health needs of women is becoming more prominent. Women's health needs require determining healthy lifestyle changes as well as the development of new drugs to treat clinical disorders. The amount of clinical and basic research in academic and corporate communities has risen sharply.

The federal government has initiated the Women's Health Initiative, a 10 year study to determine the effects of diet, vitamin supplements, and hormones on the health of post-menopausal women. This is the largest study ever done specifically

on women.

Currently, the other areas of interest in women's health include new tissue specific estrogens, hormone replacement therapy, osteoporosis and contraception. Research in these specific areas is interrelated with other disease targets such as stroke, cancer and Alzheimer's disease. Drug discovery research involves a collaborative effort of chemists, biologists, and pharmacologists.

Two specific projects currently underway in the Women's Health Division of Wyeth-Ayerst Research involve estrogen biology and osteoporosis.

president to dismiss elected Governments and appoint chiefs of the armed forces. The law, which has been in effect since 1985, was previously used to dismiss governments led by Mr. Sharif and Benazir Bhutto on charges of corruption and misruling. The current President Farooq Leghari approved the decision.

NATIONAL

Over 153 cases of Hepatitis A have been reported by school-teachers and children in Michigan. Federal health officials believe the infection came from frozen strawberries imported from Mexico. It is believed that thousands of other children in AZ, CA, GA, IA, and TN could

Ursinus Students Participate in Model U.N.

by **Jim Maynard**
Special to the Grizzly

14 Ursinus students recently returned from a trip to New York for the 1997 Model United Nations Program. Model U.N. is a national program in which students from different colleges and universities represent the different countries of the United Nations. The competition, which lasted from Tuesday, March 25 through Saturday, March 29, was the culminating experience of Dr. Berry's 1 credit Model U.N. course.

Throughout the semester, students researched the social and political views of the Kingdom of Jordan and then enacted upon them at the conference. The issues ranged from fishing and water rights, matters of International Criminal Court, the rights of women, international terrorism, and human rights. During the majority of the week, delegates from each country met in committee to discuss their assigned topics, which were voted on by the general committee on the final day. This last day took place in the actual United Nations Building, with participants sitting in the actual seats of their respective countries. During the

conference, Ursinus students proposed several resolutions to be brought before the general committee and acted as signatories for resolutions of other countries.

When asked to comment on the program, Sean Campbell, a senior politics major, replied, "The great thing about the Model U.N. is that you get to meet a lot of different people who all think very differently. By role-playing delegates from a given country and adapting the perspective of a country other than the United States, you are able to learn a lot through that country's simulated interactions with the rest of the world." With many young members on the team, Ursinus is hoping to continue and expand upon their success in the Model U.N. competition in the years to come.

Those representing Ursinus at this year's conference included seniors Amy Bistline, Sean Campbell, Chris Deussing, Carl Ewardl, Mile Katusa, Eamon Mulholland, Ben Myers, Ashok Parameswaran, Jerry Thorrel, and Lisa Velazquez; junior Doug Richards; sophmores Eleisha Abrams and Jen Zwilling; and freshman Keo Oura Kounlavong.

In The News...

by **Teresa Green**
Copy Editor

INTERNATIONAL

Aleksandr Lukashenko, President of Belarus, and Russian President Boris Yeltsin signed a charter last week that, if ratified, would pave the way for a union between the neighboring republics. Liberals in the Russian cabinet however are not too keen with having Russia identified with Lukashenko and his centralized economy. They are trying to push Yeltsin into proposing a "watered-down" version of the pact that will allow both countries to remain sovereign.

Red Cross officials have recently announced that North

Korea is in imminent danger of famine. They said that kitchens are empty, children are weak, and cattle is being slaughtered to save grain. The United Nations World Food Program recently released a similar report in which it stated that it planned to double its \$41 million aid appeal to North Korea. They believe that there will be "starvation on a massive scale."

The **Zairian Parliament** voted to elect Etienne Tshisekedi as the country's Prime Minister. Mobutu Sese Seko, Zaire's ailing dictator is expected to approve the decision.

Pakistan's Parliament unanimously eliminated a law that allowed the appointed

become infected if they don't receive a gamma globulin shot to help prevent the liver ailment.

The **Philadelphia District Attorney, Lynne Abraham**, recently made a 1986 training film public. The film depicts McMahon advising fellow prosecutors to lie to judges and showing them how to exclude blacks from juries. The disclosure could result in challenges to thousands of court verdicts.

President Clinton is planning to ask the F.C.C. to decide whether or not to ban or drastically limit liquor advertisements on television. The decision will be based on whether or not the advertisements are a potential inducement to young people to

experiment with alcohol. The action was prompted by the recent lifting of a decades-old policy against television advertising by the distilled spirits industry.

The **Census Bureau** has proposed a shorter form questionnaire for the 2000 census. The form will only ask question on seven subjects including name, sex, age, relationship to other household members, race, whether one is of Hispanic origin, and whether one owns or rents a home. It is believed that the shorter form will aid in the processing of all the information.

(Information taken from The New York Times)

Nothing to Do? Try This...

by **Teresa Green**

Copy Editor

Monday, April 7

- 7:15 a.m.; 4:30 p.m. Registration Begins-JUNIORS
- Step Aerobics in Helfferich 201
- 5:00 Japanese Table in the Faculty/Staff D.R
- 5:00 Movie: "To Gillian on her 37th Birthday" WLL
- 6:30 Lecture: Prof. Richard Rosen on "Ghana: a New Approach to Development"

Tuesday, April 8

- 12:00 p.m. Registration-JUNIORS
- 1:00 French Table in Faculty/Staff Dining Room
- 3:00 Golf at Gettysburg Invitational
- 3:30 Softball at Washington (Dbl. Header)
- 3:30 Men's Tennis vs. Washington
- 3:30 Baseball at Haverford
- 4:00 Lacrosse vs. Swarthmore
- 4:30 Step Aerobics in Helfferich 201
- 6:00 CAB in WLL
- 7:00 Movie: "Independence Day" in WLL
- 7:30 USA vs. Russia Wrestling in Helfferich Hall
- 7:30 College Choir in Bomberger Auditorium
- 9:30 Ursinus Christian Fellowship in WPL

Wednesday, April 9

- 7:15 a.m. Registration-JUNIORS
- 12:30 p.m. Step Aerobics in Helfferich 201
- 2:50 Careers in Education Day in Thomas 324
- 3:30 Workshop: Author Lee Gutkind; Olin 302
- 3:30 Men's Tennis at Widener
- 3:30 Women's Tennis vs. Washington
- 4:30 Step Aerobics in Helfferich 201
- 5:15 Spanish Table in Faculty/Staff D.R.
- 6:00 SUN in WPL
- 7:00 Gospel Choir in WPL
- 7:30 proTheatre presents "The Two Noble Kinsmen" in Ritter Center
- 7:30 Lecture: Author Lee Gutkind in Olin Aud.
- 8:00 Movie: "Mission Impossible" in WLL
- 9:30 Ursinus Christian Fellowship in WPL
- 10:00 Literary Society in Zwingli Java Trench

Thursday, April 10

- 12:00 p.m. Registration-SOPHOMORES
- 4:00 Ursinus Christian Fellowship in WPL
- 4:15 Lacrosse at Rowan
- 4:15 Lecture: Dr. Doughty on "Whose History is it? Holocaust Museums, Memorials and Education in Europe Today"
- 4:30 Step Aerobics in Helfferich 201
- 5:00 Movie: "Courage Under Fire" in WLL
- 7:00 Gospel Choir in WPL
- 7:30 proTheatre in Ritter Center
- 9:00 Ursinus Christian Fellowship in Olin 104

Friday, April 11

TIMESHEETS DUE

- 7:15 a.m. Registration-SOPHOMORES
- 11:00 Step Aerobics in Helfferich 201
- 12:00 p.m. proTheatre in Ritter Center
- 1:00 Movie: "First Wives Club" in WLL
- 3:30 Golf at Moravian Invitational
- 7:30 Baseball vs. Haverford
- 8:00 proTheatre in Ritter Center
- Comet Viewing in Pfahler Observatory

Saturday, April 12

Medieval Fest

- 11:00 a.m. Track & Field at Shippensburg Invitational
- 1:00 p.m. Lacrosse vs. Johns Hopkins
- 1:00 MCAT in Thomas 324
- 1:00 Men's Tennis at Western Maryland
- 1:00 Women's Tennis vs. Western Maryland
- 1:00 Baseball vs. Gettysburg (Dbl. Header)
- 1:00 Softball vs. Gettysburg (Dbl. Header)
- 5:00 Movie: "The Truth about Cats and Dogs" in WLL
- 7:30 proTheatre in Ritter Center

Sunday, April 13

- 4:00 p.m. Mass in Bomberger Auditorium
- 5:00 Movie: "Braveheart" in WLL

Changes for Summer Classes

by **Tim McCoy**

News Editor

The traditional summer school program that has been offered at Ursinus for years will not be around this summer.

This summer will offer a new series of nontraditional summer classes, which may involve travel or research prohibited by the fall and spring semesters' workload.

Author Lee Gutkind will give a reading from his work on Wed., April 9, at 7:30 pm in Olin Auditorium. Gutkind is the author of several books, including Many Sleepless Nights, an in-depth examination of organ transplants-- the donors, the doctors, the recipients and their families. He is the editor of the prestigious journal CREATIVE NONFICTION.

Gutkind is one of the leading proponents of creative nonfiction, an emerging genre that encompasses the personal essay, memoir, immersion journalism, and many other types of nonfiction writing. There is a workshop at 2:50 the day of the reading in Olin 302. For more information contact Professor Volkmer, ext. 2355.

President Strausburger described the ideal summer courses, or education experiments, of this type as "a course that couldn't be done during the normal two semesters."

By not offering standard summer classes, professors and students are allowed to do research and preparation over the summer rather than schedule classes year-round.

Airband

Ctd. from p.1.

Their decisions were tough, but in the end the third place winners were the Hip-hop Tango, comprised of Tarika Tiggett, Zainab Sillah, James Robinson, Marshalee Clarke, Ara Brown, Oona Burke, Yolanda Hannah, Michael Adenaike, Rita McDonald, Nilandé Coblentz, Julia Lukens, and Michael Brian. They performed to "Been There," by Dr. Dre.

Second place was won by SASA, with Saramati Jayaraman, Parul Vora, Sonia Dayal, Susan Varghese, and Bahar Jahanbin. They performed to "Rashem Kah hai Koorthao."

In first place was the sorority Omega Chi, with Amy Rothermel, Lea Herdman, Sue Boyer, Melissa Gemmell, Carrie Luka, Tricia Tucker, Chelsea Grant, Letitia Grabowski, Erika Hauber, Colleen McBride, Stacy Harden, Meg Brown, Kate Weinrich, Julie Hutcheson, Jacqueline Colvin, Jamie Ahl, Jaime Eissler, Becky Thomas, Mary Love, Sara Rogozinski, and Aly Yeager. They performed "Reproduction," from *Grease II*.

Other groups to be congratulated: The Roughnecks, Tau Sig, The R As, UCF, and Pi Nu Epsilon.

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A Letter Of Thanks

To the College Community:

After almost ten years as part of the Ursinus family, it is very difficult to say good-bye. We arrived as newlyweds with no idea what our future would hold. The years seemed to fly by ... friendships blossomed, children were born, and roots were planted. I eventually overcame the "January jitters"—the fear that strikes the heart of most football coaches' wives during firing/hiring season. Then the "Opportunity" reared its head, and the rest is recent history.

I would like to collectively thank all of our friends, colleagues and acquaintances within the Ursinus community for the many years of support and friendship. To the players, past and present, who were such great

role models for our children.

Thank you to Gary, Sean and Ben for being real-life heroes to Kyle, and always making time for him. I know my husband enjoyed absolutely every minute coaching the bright, enthusiastic players at Ursinus. Thank you to the parents for the endless support, win or lose. Thank you to the many students who touched our lives as friends, tutors and baby-sitters.

It is difficult to leave. While the warm weather beckons, and my Southern roots respond, a very significant part of home will always remain at Ursinus. Thanks for ten unforgettable years. GO BEARS!

Sincerely,
Jo Ellen Gilbert
Wife of former Ursinus
football coach, Steve Gilbert

10th Annual Medieval Fest to Benefit Special Needs Children

Ursinus will host a "Renaissance Celebration" on Saturday, April 12, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Helfferich Hall Gym.

Volunteers are welcomed from the college and community. To volunteer or for questions, contact Darlene Anderson at 610/539 8550, ext 184.

Seminar on Post-Abortion Trauma

by Sunny John

Special to the Grizzly

The *Students for Right to Life* organization will be conducting a seminar focused on the issue of post abortion trauma on April 10th, at 7:00pm. The seminar will be presented by Dr. Theresa Karminski Burke M. A. Ph D. Dr. Burke is the founder of The Center For Post Abortion Healing and has been involved in the field for 10 years. She also runs a crisis pregnancy residence called

"Mother's Home," which provides housing and career training opportunities for women in crisis pregnancy and their children. Dr. Burke has authored numerous articles and is in the process of writing her third book which involves the issue of post abortion trauma.

Dr. Theresa Burke invests her efforts to confront all sorts of problems not only associated with abortion but also with teenage life. She and her husband provide counseling for teenagers and

parents of all ages. Dr. Burke also facilitates open adoption and counsels birth mothers who consider going through the process of adoption. Dr. Burke, apparently, leads a multi-faceted career, a crusade that has and is still salvaging many torn lives.

This seminar will prove to be very beneficial for those students who yearn to learn more about abortion. But most importantly it may present itself as a pathway for those who wish to improve their community in some way.

Faculty Member Remembered

To the College Community:

I would like to thank all of you who were so kind as to call me, e-mail me, and even send me "virtual flowers" via the Internet on the passing of my dear friend, Mick O'Brien.

I worked with Mick (not "for," as he would always say) for nearly ten years in the Education Department. Mick was one of the finest, most sincere, sensitive, bright human beings that I was fortunate enough to have a bond with. In this life we are not always given the opportunity to share in another person's life and have it mean so much. Mick was the kind of person you were always laughing with and learning from.

During the last six months his

struggle to recover from his transplant surgery was like a roller coaster ride for his family and those who loved him. At Christmas it looked as though he was not going to pull through, but he fought back. Up until the week before his death he steadily progressed and that light at the end of the tunnel was becoming very bright. There was talk of moving him to a rehabilitation center and then his heart gave out and the struggle was more than his body could bear.

Those of you who knew Mick, but were unable to attend his memorial service, would have thoroughly enjoyed it...so would have Mick! It was so uplifting and truly befitting him. His best friend and his sister eulogized him

in such a manner that it sounded as if Mick had penned it himself. Anyone that knew Mick O'Brien knew that the most important things in his life were his wife and three children. They are left with loving memories of a man that put his family second to none and himself always last on the list.

It is difficult for me when I am here on campus because there are so many memories of my friend, but even at home I expect to hear a knock on the door and Mick saying, "What are you doing? Let's go have a cuppa."

I have lost a very dear friend and the world has lost an incredible human being. I only hope God did not break the mold when he created Mick O'Brien.

Thank you,
Sue Calvin

The Grizzly

Invites applications for the following positions beginning in the Fall semester 1997:

Editor-in-Chief: Entails managing the production of the paper from start to finish.

Applicants should be committed and highly motivated.

News Editor: Responsible for weekly assignment and editing of student news articles.

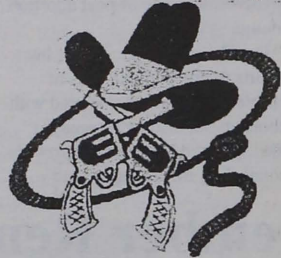
Features Editor: Edits and designs layout for Features section.

Sports Editor: Responsible for editing and laying out weekly Sports articles.

Applications may be picked up in the English Department. All applications will be considered; motivated candidates need not have experience. For more information, email grizzly@acad.ursinus.edu or call x2448 and leave a message.

WANTED!

ORIENTATION ASSISTANTS



Orientation Assistants are needed for June and August new student orientation. We are looking for a few good students who are friendly, outgoing, hardworking, and dependable to assist with the New Student Orientation Program. If you have what it takes-stop in to the Student Activities Office for an application and more information. Applications will be accepted no later than April 11th.

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**SPECIAL ORDERS
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Intramural Aerobics

announces positions available for next year. Anyone interested in becoming an aerobics instructor or the aerobics coordinator ask one of the instructors for details. Auditions are Friday, April 4th at 4:30p.m. and Sunday, April 6th at 1:00 p.m.

Applications now available in SAO for the following positions:

- Student Activities Intern
- Community Service Intern
- Multi-Cultural Services Intern
- & Campus Center Manager

For more information stop by for a detailed job description or call ext. 2257.

Applications will be accepted no later than April 11th.

Make Your Own Girlfriend!

by **Trish Daley and Erin Gambeski**

of The Grizzly

Late at night, in the labs of Thomas, you discover a way for creating a being from the finest attributes of others. Now you could create someone with the wisdom of Toni Morrison, the humor of Rosie O'Donnell, the warmth of Mother Theresa, the artistic skills of Georgia O'Keeffe, and the political strength of Sandra Day O'Connor. And of course there are always those superficial qualities of beauty which never go unnoticed. So with the power to create the perfect friend or romantic partner, **which qualities would you choose for a perfect woman?**

"She should be as close to any model as possible."
— Bob McGuckin, Freshman

"Wow, if you asked for the ideal man I would say just clone me. I'm 100% US steel, 100% sex appeal, I'm the sexiest man alive. But my perfect woman should have Trish's storytelling ability, should be as sweet as Taneille Smith, and should be as cute as Meg Ryan."
— Ashok Parameswaran, Senior

"She should have the personality of Anne Alleger."
— Phil Caiazzo, Junior

"I think she should have Kathy

Ireland's eyes, Tyra Banks's body, and the intellect of Tori Amos."

— Todd Palmer, Freshman

"You know the chick from Superman? Lois and Clark? She's got a nice set of hooters."
— Jay Gill, Senior

"My perfect women would be one of Nate Smiley's chicks."
— Dave Hunt, Freshman

"I'd like any woman with a beautiful smile."
— Paul "Big Papa" Norris, Sophomore

"Elbows, elbows... but whose elbows?"
— Denise Velez, Sophomore

"I'd love a woman with Tea Leoni's legs and Casey Fosbenner's breasts."
— Lee Griffith, Junior

"I like anything in a skirt, but she should have a big butt, and not *outrageously* big knockers, but definitely a couple of handfuls. Optional equipment: personality, IQ, and a pulse."
— Vince Kasper, Junior

Hey Vince, bet you'll get a lot of dates now!
—RR

"I just like Sarah from *Party of Five*."
— Jay Wisnosky, Freshman

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FEATURES

Something for Everyone in proTheatre Production of *The Two Noble Kinsmen*

by **Jospeh Catalfano**

a Kinsman

Ursinus' very own drama organization, proTheatre, will perform "The Two Noble Kinsmen," a tragi-comedy by William Shakespeare and John Fletcher, from Thursday, April 10 through Saturday, April 12 at 7:30 p.m. in Ritter Center. Dr. Joyce E. Henry, professor of Communication Arts, is once again at the helm.

The play's cast includes over 20 Ursinus students headed by Brian Hamrick and

yours truly, Joseph Catalfano, a.k.a. The Two Noble Movie Reviewers. Other leads include Laura Owens (as the woman we're after), Melissa Moyer (an insane girl stalking Brian), and Jodie Poth, Tom Howard, and Sal Ferrarello (as the Royals we're trying to avoid while we end our dispute—with the help of a sword or two).

The story is largely based on Chaucer's "Knight's Tale" from *The Canterbury Tales*, a romantic yarn about two men falling for the same woman. With "The Two Noble Kinsmen," however, Shakespeare and Fletcher have added an extra element of comedy to lighten the somber tone of the

foreground action. While Palamon (*Hamrick*) and Arcite (*Catalfano*) feel the bonds of kinship holding them together, once they set eyes on Emilia (*Owens*), it seems their quarrel will not end until one of them does (die, that is). Interspersed within this tragic story lie comic interludes of bumbling countrymen and schoolchildren. I truly believe there's something for

everyone here, so please come and support what hopes to be the most impressive production Ursinus has had in years:

"...an all-around great, engrossing story that will make you cry with laughter and sorrow simultaneously."

****New York** composer Leon Petrus has written the musical score (we haven't had one of those for awhile!)**

****Martial arts expert Jackie Chan** has choreographed the swordfight between Brian and me—I wish**

****Jodie and Tom kiss—it's wet****

****People sing—and they're good****

****There's even a Maypole dance—move over Macarena!****

What's Up In Wellness

by **Tricia Murnane**

of The Grizzly

Before we know it, it will be time to pull off the layers of clothing and put on the bathing suit. For some people this is harder to do than taking an Anatomy exam. I know that it can be hard to slim down to fit into those suits, but if it is done the right way it can be easy, healthy, and fun.

The best way to get into the swing of things is to try and find other people that have the same goal. These people will become your support group. All of you will motivate one another and monitor the modifications that you make to your everyday behaviors.

The first modification that needs to be made is exercise. If you are not involved in a good cardiovascular program, **start one**. It really is not that hard. You don't even have to leave the campus. The intramural department offers a great aerobics

**Remember:
nothing can
replace hard
work!**

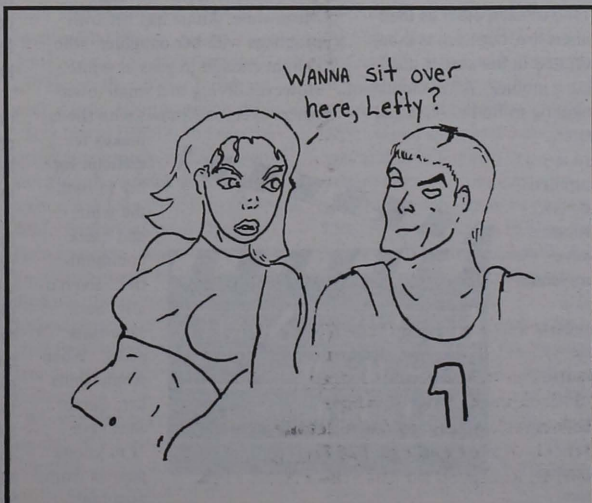
program. This is a fun activity for anyone, and it is an easy way to lose weight. If aerobics is not your thing, our school also has a cardiovascular room complete with treadmills, bikes, stairmasters, and rowing machines.

Once you have started an exercise program the next step is to check your eating habits. Cutting calories is not the answer. You need to continue eating the right amount of calories that your body needs while making sure these calories are coming from the right sources. Eating from a balanced diet, three times a week is a good start. Also, only eat when you are hungry and eat your meals slowly.

These are just two strategies to get you started. They are the healthiest way to try starting a weight loss program. Don't be fooled by the quick-fix diets and weight loss supplements that are out on the market. Remember, nothing can replace hard work!

I Paint What I See

By **Ara Brown**



Pfahler Observatory Open House for Hale-Bopp Viewing

by **Teresa Green**
of The Grizzly

On April 11th from 8-9:30 p.m., there will be an open house in Pfahler Hall observatory to view Comet Hale-Bopp. Demonstrations of CCD imaging of Hale-Bopp and other objects will be available. Anyone who brings a pre-formatted disk will be able to take home a digital image of the comet.

Although the comet made its closest approach to earth a

couple weeks ago, because of its competition with the full moon the best time to view the comet will be mid-to-late April. The comet is visible to the naked eye, but Dr. Nagy, associate professor of physics, said the use of telescopes will enhance the details of the comet.

April 12th is the backup date for the Open House if the weather does not cooperate. The viewing is free and open to the public.



Another Look at the Ursinus Gymnastics Team

by Kerrie McKinney
of The Grizzly

Last weekend, I traveled, along with my teammates, to the Division III Nationals Gymnastics Championships, held at the University of Wisconsin, La-crosse. Proudly, our team was the first in Ursinus history to qualify to the Championships. Due to the fact that "The Grizzly" article did not do our team justice, I felt it necessary to inform readers about this big event.

I get to write this article from the spectator's standpoint, due to my injured knees sustained at a meet prior to Nationals. Our team goal throughout the season was to qualify for the National Championships. We had nothing to lose entering the competition. I believe our goal for this meet was to do our best, enjoy the experience of the meet, and, most importantly, enjoy our last meet with our beloved seniors and co-captains, Jen Courtney and Carrie Luka.

Our team entered this competition ranked eighth and finished the competition eighth. But, in my eyes, the Ursinus Gymnastic Team triumphed. Junior, Megan Brown, kicked off the meet with a great floor routine and landed her vault with a smile. Her fellow classmate, Courtney Gilbert, performed a graceful floor routine and survived a great bar routine, despite a sore neck. Monica

Jushchyshyn, also a junior, competed vault, bars, and beam with power and style. She ended her junior year, by successfully landing her difficult mount on beam with a smile. Allyson Smith, injured just before this championship, managed to crack a smile and cheered with all her might, despite the disappointment of not being able to compete. Freshman, Cindy Leahy, in her first Collegiate



National Championships, competed all-around successfully. While fighting a shoulder injury and a severely bruised leg, freshman Sarah Lavigne made us proud with a performance on the balance beam.

Their classmate Molly Jennings who has been injured all season, continued to key up the floor music just right and helped us laugh throughout the entire evening. Sophomore Angela Mullen, also successfully competed all-around. Her classmate Najah Dipaolo-Brown, injured, cheered us on with her big smile and signature laugh. Our seniors, Jen and Carrie, topped off the night by doing a great job competing all-around and qualifying for the individual

event finals the next day. I cannot forget our trainers, Scott Chalbert and Sean Leahy, who were also such a part of this team. They held our injured bodies together throughout the year and kept us laughing throughout every meet. Finally, our coach, Ray McMahon, captured the Coach of the Year award.

Throughout this five hour meet, the Ursinus Gymnastics Team showed the entire building what it means to be a team, representing our school with class and style unmatched by the seven other teams present. Hugs celebrated the great performances and comforted the tears of frustration. I believe our finest moment came upon us when both our seniors qualified for one final round of competition in their gymnastics careers. They competed the next day with power and grace, equaling four spectacular vaults to end their careers with a smile and a few tears, knowing what had become their playground for almost all of their lives will now be wonderful memories to reflect upon.

Ursinus College should be extremely proud of their 1996-97 gymnastics team for setting a new school record with our team score at Penn State and for qualifying for the first time to the National Championships. Congratulations to Jen and Carrie for all their great years at Ursinus and on their all-American honors. The team will miss you greatly in the years to come.

Imitation of Life is Almost Real

One of the most controversial film to come out of the late 1950's, *Imitation of Life* addresses the issue of single motherhood, career, and most importantly COLOR. Based loosely on a novel by Fannie Hurst, *Imitation of Life* helped to keep Universal Studios going after a series of flops. The casting of Lana Turner and Sandra Dee didn't hurt either.

Lora Meredith (Turner) is an aspiring actress who meets Annie Johnson (Juanita Moore) at Coney Island. Both women are single mothers trying to survive. When Turner finds out that Annie and her light-skinned daughter, Sara Jane, are homeless she asks them to come and stay with her. Both daughters are just

as fond of each other as their mothers are, but Lora is more interested in her career than being a mother. After months of struggling to find a job in the theater, Lora is catapulted into stardom. Twelve years later, Lora's daughter, Susie (Sandra Dee) is sixteen and sorely neglected by her mother, and finds companion-

ship in her mother's love interest, Steve Archer (John Gavin). Meanwhile, Annie has her own problems with her daughter, who is light enough to pass as white. However, living in a small town where everyone knows who she is

makes it difficult for her in both the white and black communities. Eventually, Sara Jane runs away. When Annie finds her, Sarah Jane says "I'm gonna pass as white mamma!"

Heartbroken, Annie grows ill and



The Dangers of Halogen Lamps

The United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) in Washington D.C. issued a warning to consumers in July of 1996 about the tubular light bulbs found in the majority of torchiere-style halogen lamps. The CPSC warned that the light bulbs could reach such extremely high temperatures as to set a fire if contact occurred with curtains, clothes or other flammable material.

The CPSC has been informed of at least thirty fires and two deaths resulting from use of the pole lamps containing tubular halogen bulbs. These lamps are about six feet tall, free standing, with a light fixture mounted on top. First available in 1983, sales have since grown dramatically, resulting in ~35 to 40 million owners today.

Tests have shown that tubular halogen bulbs (250, 300, and 500 watts) have the ability to start fires in nearly combustible materials because they operate at such a high temperature (970 - 1200 degrees Fahrenheit). Other types of halogen bulbs operate at much lower temperatures (260 - 340 degrees Fahrenheit) than tubular halogen bulbs.

Many colleges and universities are responding to this information in a variety of ways; in some schools, restrictions are being implemented and in other schools, the lamps are banned completely. The Ursinus Student Activities and Services Committee (S.A.S.C.) is currently

investigating this situation. Efforts are in effect to improve the light in dorm rooms through the use of dual fixtures resulting in 120 watts. The committee dissuades any future purchase of this type of lamp as a decision has not been made yet; however, if a student does own a halogen lamp, here are some safety tips to prevent possible problems:

- Never allow torchiere halogen lamps to be placed where the tubular bulb could contact curtains or other cloth window treatments
- Never leave a torchiere halogen lamp on when you leave the room or are not at home
- Never drape clothes over a torchiere halogen lamp
- For torchiere halogen lamps equipped with a dimmer switch, operate the lamp at a setting lower than the maximum whenever possible
- Keep halogen torchiere lamps away from elevated beds like bunk beds where bedding may get too close to the tubular bulb

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns you can e mail the Student Activities and Services committee at 'SASC'.

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Junior Class Update

Why were the Limerick Bowling Lanes so full on the night of March 19th? They were so busy because about thirty members of the Junior Class participated in the first annual Class of 1998 Bowling Night. The strong performances of Ryan Bilheimer and Angela Lamb deserve particular attention, since both have been asked to join the Pro Bowlers Tour. Even if you missed us in Limerick, it isn't too late to attend Junior Class activities! Look for a Pizza Party and the Class of 1998's second annual Wing Bowl coming soon!

COURTNEY NAMED AN ALL-AMERICAN

18.325 Two-Day Total on Vault

Ursinus senior Jennifer Courtney earned All-American Honors at the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association (NCGA) Championships at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. Courtney placed fifth on the vault with a two-day total of 18.325.

Courtney scored a 9.225 on the vault during the team competition, and added a 9.100 during the individual event finals the next day. The top six finishers in each event are named All-Americans. Courtney was also named to the NCGA All-

Academic Team.

Courtney becomes just the second Ursinus gymnast to earn All-American honors. Carrie Luka was an All-American on the balance beam in 1994, and on the vault last year.

TRECROCE NAMED PLAYER OF THE WEEK

3-0 on the Mound and .364 Average

Ursinus senior Janetta Trecroce has been named the Centennial Conference Softball Player of the Week for the period ending March 23. Trecroce led Ursinus (16-7) to a 3-0 week with two wins on the mound and a .364

average at the plate. She tossed a three-hitter in a 2-1 Ursinus win over Widener on March 20. She then tossed a one-hit shutout in the Bears conference opener at Franklin & Marshall.

She struck out 11 batters in the six-inning game.

Offensively, Trecroce had four hits, two RBI, and a conference-leading four stolen bases in the doubleheader at F&M.

MEN'S TENNIS WINS

On Thursday, the Ursinus men's tennis team won its first match of the year by beating Eastern, 4-3. Kartic Padmanabhan earned the decisive victory at number-six singles. Padmanabhan came from

behind to win 6-7 (5-7), 6-2, 6-2. The Bears (1-5) also got a win from Josh Hartle, 6-2, 6-1, at number-one singles. Peter Evanchick was a 7-6 (7-3), 6-1, winner at number-four, and Joe

Ruggiero was a 6-0, 6-2 winner at number-five. Ruggiero also teamed with Wagdy Okailey to win the number-two doubles match, 8-4.

On Tuesday, Ursinus fell to host F&M, 7-0.

On Friday, March 28, the Bears fell to Haverford, 7-0, in their Centennial Conference season opener.

WOMEN'S TENNIS ACTION

Host Haverford handed Ursinus an 8-1 loss in Centennial Conference action. Heather Williams teamed with Marie Loughran to

win the number-three doubles match. Williams took her singles match to three sets, but lost, 6-7, 8-6, 3-6.

A PHILLY FAN

by Joel Schofer

Sports Editor

A lot of things happened these past two weeks since the latest edition of *A Philly Fan*.

It snowed, then the next day it was 65 degrees outside.

The Eagles had one starting quarterback, then the next day they had two.

There was supposed to be a *Goofy*, then there wasn't one.

The Phillies were calling Curt Schilling's agent a slob, then the next day they shook his hand.

At Airband practice Omega Chi had the worst Airband act I've ever witnessed, then two days later they were awesome and won first place.

Hell, one day Kevin McGovern didn't have breasts, then the next day he did and was pressing them

tightly against Tito in front of 700 people.

All in all, it's been an eventful two weeks, which can mean only one thing. I need to put my shirt back on and get writing.

There were two big signings in Philadelphia this past week. The Eagles doubled their number of starting quarterbacks by resigning Rodney Peete, while the Phillies managed to lock up Curt Schilling at least until the year 2000.

Peete's signing means that there will be competition between Peete and Ty Detmer for next year's starting job, but that's not why I like the resigning of Peete. I like the resigning of Rodney Peete because he will never beat out a healthy Detmer, but he could admirably replace an unhealthy Detmer if the situation demanded it.

Head coach Ray Rhodes can say there will be competition until the senior class president hooks up, but there's no way in hell Peete is beating out Detmer. Detmer is too damn young, too damn talented, and knows the offense too damn well. Damn. Damn, damn, damn.

This leaves Peete as the second string quarterback, ready to step in and guide a very talented Eagles team toward the NFC East crown in the face of an injury to Detmer. He's a veteran, knows the offense, has been a starter before, and is just the kind of guy you want as your second string quarterback when your first stringer is Phil Mandato's size but isn't playing for Ursinus College.

When it comes to the Phillies' signing of ace pitcher Curt Schilling, you'd think I'd be ecstatic, but I'm not. It just doesn't make sense to me.

In reality, the guy is the most overpowering pitcher on the Phillies' staff, and has the potential to be one of the best in the major leagues, but the man just has not been healthy enough to pitch. I honestly see no problem with the Phillies' initial offer, which contained a clause that said Schilling had to pitch a certain number of innings every year for his contract to be guaranteed. Why should the Phillies pay someone to pitch if his health is preventing him from doing just that? They shouldn't.

But that's what is wrong with baseball. You've got the Phillies, who designed a contract that would force Schilling to pitch for his money and are trying to display a touch of financial sanity. Then, however, you always have some other team who's willing to go one step further. There's

always someone who's willing to roll the dice on damaged goods and pay injury prone athletes more than they deserve.

Don't get me wrong, though. I love Curt Schilling the pitcher. He has got Cy Young potential, as his spring training and first start this season indicate, and really could be the ace the Phillies will eventually need. He has tremendous upside.

Let us not forget about his downside, though, and the fact that this whole deal could blow up in the Phillies' face. In two weeks or two months Mr. Schilling feels a twinge in his shoulder, line him up next to Darren Daulton and Lenny Dykstra and take a good look. You know what you'll see? Nothing. Fifteen million dollars of nothing.

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE FALLS TO MIDDLEBURY

Drop to 4-3

Middlebury (5-0) scored the first five goals of the game enroute to a 19-6 non-conference rout of host Ursinus (4-3) on Saturday. Middlebury led 12-2 at the intermission.

Kris Algeo led Ursinus with three goals, while Erika Johnston, Amy Minnich, and Kristen Calore each added one. Calore also had an assist.

Middlebury outshot Ursinus, 35-24. Joanne Kenney had eight saves in goal for Ursinus.

On Thursday, Ursinus scored twice in the final 1:09 of the first half and went on to beat host Western Maryland (2-1, 3-1) by a score of 9-6 in a Centennial Conference match. The Bears led 2-1 when Johnston scored with 1:09 to play. Missy Myers added a goal with :35 remaining in the half to give the Bears a 4-1 cushion.

Johnston, Myers, and Amy Minnich led Ursinus with two goals each. Johnston also added an assist. Ashley Claus, Denise Krch, and Michelle Tacconelli all scored single goals. Krch also had two assists, while Megan Larkin added one.

Kenney stopped six shots in goal for Ursinus. The Bears outshot

Western Maryland, 22-13.

On Tuesday, Myers tied her career high with seven goals, but it was Krch's second goal that proved to be the difference in an 11-10 Ursinus win over host Franklin & Marshall in a Centennial Conference match. Krch's unassisted goal with just 20 seconds to play gave the Bears the win and snapped a two-game Ursinus losing streak. The game-winning goal came just 21 seconds after F&M's Dana Wright had tied the score at 10-10 with her second goal of the game.

Minnich and Algeo also scored goals for Ursinus, while Dana Curry and Claus had assists.

Kenney stopped 11 shots in goal. Last Saturday, March 29, Kim Fritz scored four goals to lead Ursinus to an 11-6 upset of the defending Centennial Conference champion Bears.

The Bears led 5-4 at the intermission, but the Bullets erupted for seven goals in the second half.

Ursinus was led by Myers' four goals. Algeo added two goals and assist, while Larkin and Jen Knebels each had an assist.

Ursinus outshot Gettysburg, 18-16. Kenney saved four shots in goal for the Bears.

The top-ranked College of New Jersey jumped out to a 10-2 lead Friday, March 28, and defeated Ursinus, 15-7, in a non-conference lacrosse match. The Lions (2-0) jumped out to a 6-1 lead thanks to three goals from Melanie Vasofski. She finished the game with six goals.

The Bears were led by Algeo's two goals and an assist. Myers also scored two goals, while Krch added a goal and two assists for the Bears.

On Tuesday, March 25, host Ursinus won its Centennial Conference opener, 15-5, over Bryn Mawr. Minnich led the Bears with four goals and an assist. Myers added three goals, while Algeo, Krch, and Curry all scored two goals. Algeo also added an assist.

Johnston and Calore scored single goals, while Jamie Eissler dished out an assist.

Ursinus opened the game with a five-goal run, and held a 12-2 edge at the intermission. The Bears outshot Bryn Mawr, 33-20.

Kenney had six saves in goal, while Patty McGinty stopped three shots in the final three minutes.

SOFTBALL DROPS 3 IN A ROW

Snap 10 Game Winning Streak

On Saturday the Ursinus softball team saw its 10-game winning streak snapped in a big way with three losses at the Ferrum College Invitational in Virginia. The Bears fell to Lynchburg College, 2-1. Kim Reese was 2-for-3 with an RBI for Ursinus. Janetta Trecroce suffered the loss on the mound.

The Bears (16-7) were beaten by Bluefield, 10-4. Lori Lennon was 2-for-4 with a stolen base and two runs scored, while Trecroce was 1-for-3 with an RBI, a stolen base, and a run scored. Lisa Newmaster was the pitcher of record.

Missy Schell pitched well in a 6-3 loss to Shenandoah College, but got little defensive help. All six Shenandoah runs were unearned. Schell struck out seven batters. Trecroce was 2-for-4 with two runs scored.

On Thursday the Ursinus softball won their tenth straight in a non-conference doubleheader sweep of Elizabethtown. The Bears won the opener thanks to Janetta Trecroce. The senior tossed a two-hit shutout. She struck out six and did not walk a batter.

At the plate, Trecroce was 2-for-3 with an RBI, a stolen base, and a run scored. The Bears pounded 12 hits in the game, with everyone in the lineup collecting at least one. Kristi Ford was 2-for-3 with a run scored, while Newmaster had a two-run single. Lennon had

an RBI double.

Trecroce picked up the save in the nightcap. She struck out three batters in two innings pitched. Ursinus led, 3-1, in the last inning when Elizabethtown seemingly scored the tying runs. However, Ursinus appealed that the second runner did not touch the plate and the appeal was upheld.

On Saturday, March 29, the Ursinus Bears swept another doubleheader, this time from host Dickinson College. The Bears won the opener, 6-3, and took the nightcap, 9-0. In the second game, Annie O'Connor set Ursinus records for triples in a game, with three, and total bases in a game, with 11. O'Connor also had a double to go 4-for-4 with four runs scored. Janetta Trecroce was 2-for-3 with two RBIs, while Newmaster was 2-for-3 with one RBI. Newmaster also combined with Schell to toss a four-hit shutout.

Trecroce tossed four and two-third scoreless innings to win the first game. Ursinus scored its six runs on just three hits. The Bears scored four times in the first inning on just one hit. Jill Fenimore's double did not figure in the scoring.

On Tuesday, March 25, Ursinus swept yet another double header in Centennial Conference action at Haverford.

DICKINSON RALLIES TO TAKE TWO FROM THE BEARS

Smiley K's 10 and Walks None, But Loses Lead in the Seventh

Dickinson swept a Centennial Conference double header, Saturday, from host Ursinus (2-4, 6-13-2). Ursinus led 4-1 heading into the last inning of the opener, but Dickinson rallied for four runs off of Ursinus starter Nate Smiley and stole a 5-4 win. Smiley struck out 10 and did not walk a batter.

Ursinus had a chance to tie the game with two outs in the last of the seventh inning, but Ben Mills was thrown out at the plate after trying to score from first base on

Dirk Cleveland's double. Cleveland was 2-for-4 with an RBI in the game, while Brian McTear was 2-for-4 with two RBIs. Donny Asper hit a solo home run for the Bears.

The Red Devils won the nightcap 7-4. For Ursinus Mike Romello was 2-for-3 with an RBI and a run scored. Cleveland was 2-for-3 with a run scored, and McTear ripped a solo homer. Brian Creelman suffered the loss.

On Thursday Muhlenberg was the host and scored four runs in

the third inning, added five more in the fifth, and held on to beat Ursinus, 14-13, in a Centennial Conference game. McTear led the Ursinus offense with a 4-for-5 effort. He had four RBIs, a double, and two runs scored. Asper was 3-for-5 with a RBI. Mike Boyer lasted just two innings on the mound in suffering the loss.

On Saturday, March 29, Ursinus fell to host Washington, 6-3, in its rain-shortened Centennial Conference opener. The second inning proved costly for Ursinus

as Washington scored five runs in the frame. The Bears got all three of their runs in the fourth inning.

John Hollinger was 2-for-3 with a run scored for Ursinus.

Smiley suffered the loss on the mound. He allowed 10 hits and six earned runs in five innings pitched.

On Friday, March 28, host Delaware Valley (8-5) erupted for 10 runs in the second inning and defeated Ursinus, 11-3, in a non-conference game. Mike Ricci hit

two home runs and drove in six runs to key the Aggies' second-inning outburst. He finished the day 3-for-3.

Boyer suffered the loss on the mound for Ursinus.

The Ursinus baseball team dropped a non-conference game to Rutgers-Camden, 13-4, on Wednesday, March 26. The Bears managed just seven hits and never led in the game. Romello was 2-for-3, while Joe Sprague was 1-for-2 with two RBIs.