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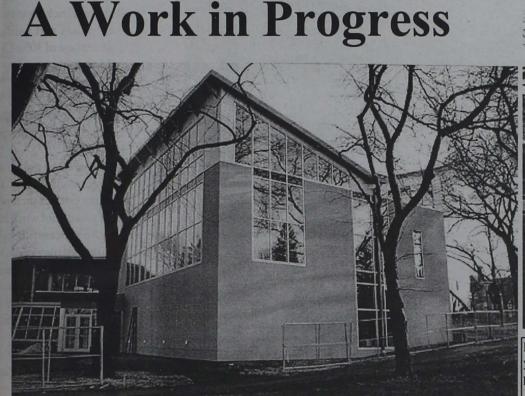
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THE GRIZZLY The most effective way to cope with change is to help create it. -L.W. Lynett

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Left: You still have to buy your books, but now you can do it in style. The new bookstore, still paritally under construction, opened for use Jan. 16. A grand opening is scheduled for February.

Right: The old Ursinus bookstore, originally intended as a temporary structure only, will eventually be forn down. *Staff photos by Sue Fialkowski*

Area Congressmen Discuss "Leadership in the 21st Century" Political Forum Broadcast Live by C-Span from Olin Auditorium

Erny Hoke

Co-Editor-in-Chief

Ursinus students, faculty, and community members filled Olin Auditorium on Friday night January 22nd for a live broadcasted congressional forum entitled "Leadership in the 21st Century". The president and chief executive officer of C-Span, Brian Lamb, moderated the discussion that provided five members of Congress the opportunity to discuss the decline in civility and bipartisanship in national affairs. Those in attendance included republicans Rep. James Greenwood (PA, 8th) and Rep. Patrick Toomey (PA, 15th) and democrats Rep. Robert Andrews (NJ, 1st), Rep. Chaka Fattah (PA, 2nd), and Rep. Joseph Hoeffel (PA, 13th).

The evening opened with remarks from Ursinus President John Strassburger, Chairman of Suburban Cable H.F. (Gerry) Lenfest, and Mr. Lamb. President Strassburger was pleased by the attendance of many Ursinus students, as they came out on a Friday night to attend an academic arguement and debate. Mr. Lenfest continued to explain that the event would be broadcast live in one million homes in the tri-state area over Suburban Cable in addition to the national audience of C-SPAN. "Tonight's forum will not have a great sex appeal", added Mr. Lamb to lighten up the mood.

The audience members were each provided with a notecard in which they could record a question they would like answered by the panel of representatives. Mr. Lamb then received different stacks of the audience's questions throughout the 90-minute forum. Then he chose which ones were to be asked.

Before the audience's questions, Mr. Lamb first asked some background questions to the five congressmen present. He asked the panel members which political figure influenced their careers the most.

Rep. Hoeffel answered former president Harry S. Truman because he was a courageous straight talker. Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, Bill Archer, demonstrates leadership through knowledge which earned him Rep. Greenwood's admiration. Rep. Toomey chose Abraham Lincoln because of the adversity the president had to overcome. Representatives Fattah and Andrews said that they could not pinpoint one particular person.

The conversation soon switched to the current trials and tribulations effecting President Clinton and the White House. Hoeffel said "the republicans got carried away with their personal anger against the president. They are see "Forum" p.4

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NEWS

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Montco Welcomes President Promotes his 1999 Agenda at Norristown Area High School

Joanna Doyle

Co-Editor-in-Chief

Norristown Area High School may be only 150 miles from Washington, D.C., but for President Clinton Wednesday night, it might as well have been another country.

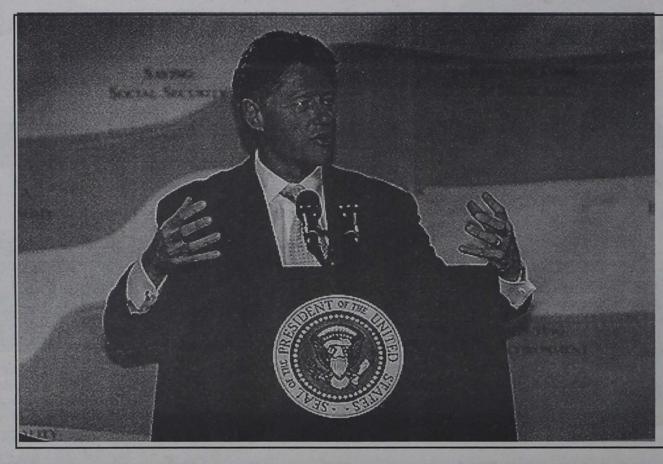
Clinton left behind a troubled presidency and a Senate Impeachment Trial for thousands of students and supporters cheering wildly and chanting "We Want Bill" as his Marine One helicopter touched down in the high school parking lot.

Arriving in the packed gym, the president himself seemed surprised by the level of enthusiasm among the crowd of 5,000 who turned out to hear him speak. Sixty percent of the student body were in attendance, and, because the visit came at the beginning of the spring semester, the school district allowed mid-term exams at the high school to be postponed.

"I think it's fair to say that Hillary and Al and Tipper and I were literally overwhelmed by this reception. And, I knew that this was a wonderful community, I knew this was a wonderful school, I knew there was a lot of enthusiasm, but it didn't all quite add up until I realized that we had caused your exams to be delayed," Clinton joked with the students.

Clinton, along with first lady Hillary Clinton, Vice President Al and wife Tipper Gore, came to Norristown as part of a multi-state tour which will take them to several cities to promote ideas the president put forth in his State of the Union address last Tuesday. The Clintons and Gores had been in Buffalo Wednesday morning, before arriving in Montgomery County just before 6 p.m. that evening.

School district officials said they believed part of the reason the White House decided on NAHS was that then President George Bush had made



The day after the State of the Union address, President Bill Clinton, shown here in the Norristown High School gynasium, visited the area to discuss his 1999 agenda. Slogansrepresenting some of the ideas discussed are written on the screen behind Clinton. Staff Photo by Sue Fialkowski

Norristown one of the stops on The proposed Health Care Bill of his 1992 reelection campaign. Rights, concerns about interna-According to John Doyle, tional terrorism, the use of this spokesman for the district, the year's budget surplus to ensure previous visit gave White House the future of Social Security and staff had some familiarity with a new "smart growth" open how to deal with security at the space plan, all of which were high school.

chosen Norristown Area High Wednesday's speeches. School because the school district has recently made some sig- these and the rest of the nificant changes which he said president's agenda constitute the he would like to see modeled administration's vision for the fuelsewhere. Both he and Hillary ture. They charged the audience Clinton pointed to Norristown's with the responsibility to take growing emphasis on technol- advantage of America's unique ogy, diversity and service as an position in the world as a positive example all American public force for change. schools should emulate.

school because this school dis- dents. trict represents what I think America ought to do," Clinton ing time for you to live in," he said.

siderable portion of his time to the strongest communities postopics related to education, both sible, to build one America across he and the evening's other speak- our lines of diversity and to think ers also made a point of discuss- about the future." ing most of the other issues on the administration's 1999 agenda. crat elected last November in the

addressed in the State of the However, Clinton said he had Union, featured prominently in

The Clintons and Gores said

"We have a good vision, but "I wanted to come to this we must act," Clinton told stu-

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Rep. Joseph Hoeffel, a demo-

overwhelmingly Republican Montgomery County 13th district, said he believed the president came to Norristown because it is "full of people who consider issues, not just partisan politics."

"I'm delighted the president's here," Hoeffel told reporters. "I think it's a great opportunity for Montgomery County, and I also think the Congress has to be put to work at what the people need done and that this is a good start toward getting back to that."

High school staff said they were pleased with the turnout at the event. Barbara Gelrod, a reading specialist at Norristown who was on the faculty during President George Bush's visit in 1992, was happily surprised by the high level of attendance. She said Bush's visit occurred during school hours, so all students attended, whereas Wednesday's event took place after classes ended

"It's really hard to get students to stay after school," Gelrod said. "I'm really and truly was delighted with the number of kids who thought this was important enough."

Audience members differed in

their reasons for attending. Some came to show their support for the troubled president and some said they had developed a keener interest in the administration because of the impeachment proceedings. And then there were those who just came to say they had seen a United States president.

Ursinus senior Kim Hoover, who had a chance to shake hands and talk with the president (and give him an Ursinus sweatshirt,) said the appeal of the evening had primarily to do with the event, rather than the ideas, which had already been put forth in the State of the Union address the night before.

"I was there basically for the event," Hoover said. "... It was exciting to be there, but to be honest I didn't really have all that much interest in the agenda."

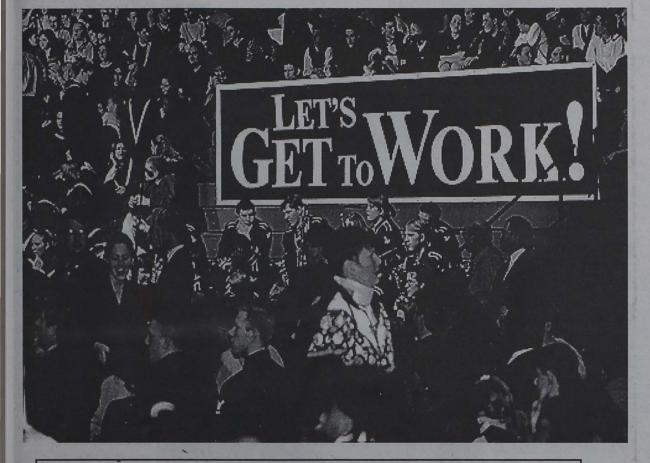
However, she said, she was glad to see politics separated from scandal for one evening.

"I think it was sort of a nice change to hear something positive. I'm kind of sick of the whole scandal thing."

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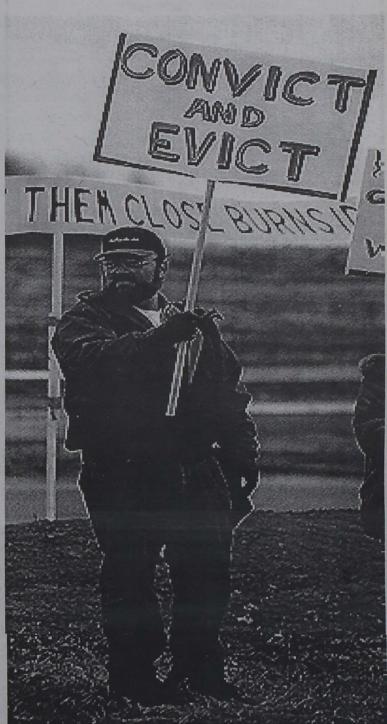
NEWS

Clintons, Gores



• Norristown Area High School rolled out the red carpet for the President, the First Lady, Al and Tipper Gore, but not everyone thought it was a cause for celebration. *Clockwise from top left:* -NAHS student band, seated under a banner displaying the theme of the evening's speeches, welcomes the president with "Hail to the Chief." -A protester pickets at the entrance to the high school. -A line of cars stretches down Burnside Ave., which was closed for event traffic. -The Clintons and Gores share a laugh during comments by James Woodall, Norristown superintendent of schools. *Staff photos by Sue Fialkowski*.







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C-SPAN/Suburban Cable host forum on leadership

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fueled by hatred and have lost judgement." Rep. Greenwood (R) swiftly added that "it is stunning how the president can deflect opinion away from his own conduct. It is because of his actions that have brought us here [to this impeachment trial].'

The overall conversation was a blend of sincerity and humor. Laughter and lightheartedness filled the room as a paper-like object fell from the auditorium ceiling and landed in front of the congressmen. Rep. Fattah used several analogies, once comparing the government to the unsucessful season of the Philadelphia Eagles.

Ursinus sophomore Jess Steiner explained, "This forum was a plus for the campus. We need to do more things like this and get more of the campus involved. Politics is something that everyone should be informed about."

Junior Erika Jakkat agreed, "It was a history making event for Ursinus, and it was informative for all of those in attendance."

vigil. Monday, Jan. 18 was a na-

tional holiday adopted by the United States govern-

ment and supported by its citizens to observe the birthday of civil rights leader Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. In the hustle and bustle of returning to campus after the long winter break, many Ursinus students may not have realized that the first day of classes began on the holiday. There may not have been mail delivery or banking activity throughout the nation, but in Collegeville, students had the pleasure of waking up to attend morning lectures.

Although the holiday was not officially observed by the college, several events were held throughout the week to commemorate King's birthday.

On Monday night, the Office of Multicultural Services and S.U.N sponsored a candlelight vigil to celebrate the Reverend's life and legacy. The vigil began at the Unity House and proceeded to Olin Plaza where reflections.

readings, songs, and prayers were to students from Philadelphia held. A reception followed the Methodist High School. Another

On Wednesday, Jan. 20, the Wismer Lobby, where many dif-

Classes Held Martin Luther King Day

homage to King can be seen in

ferent materials focusing on King's message

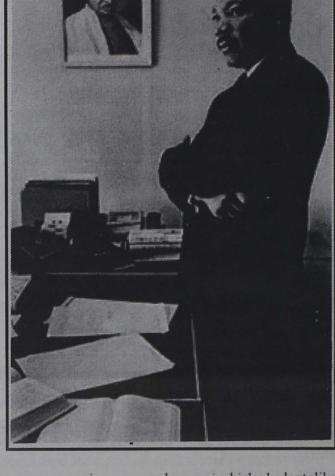
are currently displayed. When students were asked whether or not they minded having class on Monday, most simply shrugged.

"It would have been nice to have off. but I know we came back later than other schools," said junior Jilda Hodges.

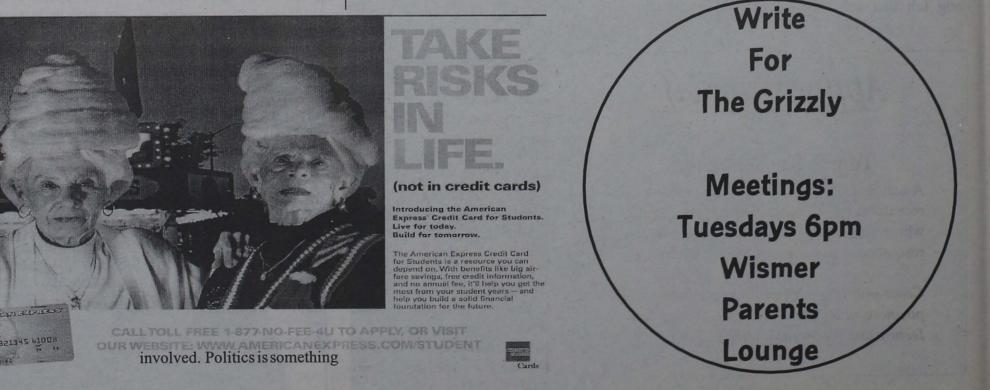
The passage Outlaw read on Wednesday dealt with the concept of freedom. King said "freedom expreses itself as a descision." Even as it was the school's decision to resume class on a national holiday, it was the students' choice to celebrate with the campus community throughout the week. Still, some stu-

spring common hour series kicked dents like junior Jeanelle Morgan

"The school should plan breaks



off with a tribute to King in said they believed the Ursinus Wismer Lower Lounge. Guest administration should be more speaker Dr. Lucius Outlaw of conscientious in the way they Haverford College read a speech schedule holidays. King delivered on Dec. 27, 1962. The event attracted many Ursinus more strategically; the same thing students and faculty, in addition happens at Easter," she said.



The Message of Dr. King Remembered

Stephanie L. Duncan

Features Editor

Wednesday On January 20th Wismer lower lounge filled with students and faculty all eager to celebrate the life and influence of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Reverend Rice began the event by welcoming everyone to a time of remembrance. The events began with the Gospel Choir leading the group in a Beautiful rendition of "Lift Every Voice and Sing". The voice of Dr. King resounded throughout the room accompanied by visual depictions of his funeral service. The speech Dr. King was giving was directed to the youth of his time and to the future youth of America. He urged the young people to work for what they believed in and to do their very best at whatever occupation it is they hoped to pursue.

Speaking at the commemoration was Dr. Lucius Outlaw. Dr. Outlaw is a professor of Philosophy at Haverford College and a frequently published writer. Instead of speaking on the life of Dr. King, Dr. Outlaw recited Dr. King's final Speech given in Mississippi. His speech that night was given on the importance of integration as a means of further establishing Democracy in America. Dr. King felt that one who is

deprived of the right to decide is likened to a child void of competence. The message Dr. King conveyed to his audience was also conveyed to those at the commemoration on Wednesday. After his speech, Dr. Outlaw had a question and answer portion during the program. During this time questions were asked pertaining to the make up of society that deemed Blacks minorities and to the immense amount of violence that is within American culture. Freshman, Anthony Youngblood asked about Dr. King's policy of loving one's enemy. Like most of us, Youngblood feels that loving one's enemy is a difficult task. Dr. Outlaw explained that one must have respect for one's enemy simply because they are human. Dr. Outlaw later emphasized that one can hate oppression and it's result. However, those that oppress others should not be respected for what the do for oppression's sake. Rather they should be respected for the humanity they share with others who don't oppress.

The day closed with the singing of "We Shall Over Come". All present held hands and sang the song that Dr. Martin Luther King sang so often as a hope for the future. Those who organized the day's event worked very hard to make it an experience of reflection.

Chris Rick

Special to The Grizzly During a recent Phone-a-thon, fifty Ursinus Students helped make a better operating budget a possibility For Ursinus.

Beginning in October, these students worked over an eight week period to help raise money for the college's annual fund. 6900 people were contacted and \$255,920 was raised through the interviews of some 4,544 Ursinus alumni and 2,350 parents. The contributions made during the phon-a-thon account for 43 percent of all annual fund gifts raised since July 1.

Stacy Dennery, a junior politics major, raised the most



Students Honored for Fundraising

Christie Barilotti, a sophomore biology major fraised an average gift of \$105.60. All of their efforts would not have been made possible without the assistance of Assistant Annual Fund Director John Leighton, who was instrumental in the project.

money obtaining \$25,915.

Top Ursinus College Student fund-raisers, Christie Barilotti, center, of Blackwood, N.J., and Stacy Dennery, right, of Ouakertown, PA., present a check for \$255.920.to Ursinus Vice-President for **College Relations** Hudson B. Scattergood.

Spring/Summer Internships

Tekmark Global Solutions:

Candidate will gain a comprehensive understanding of the fast-paced information technology consulting industry. Work directly with recruiters and marketing reps in identifying and hiring qualified consultants to work at their various clients. Assist account executives in identifying and marketing to new companies. Candidate should be majoring in Business, Computer Science, Psychology, History, English or Communications. All majors will be considered, however. Candidate must have excellent oral and written communication skills, and the ability to deal with diverse personalities. Candidates should also be familiar with Microsoft products or at least with a Windows-based environment. Must be able to commit to at least nine hours a week. Position is paid as well as credited.

Woodmere Art Museum:

Spring and Fall internships available for students with an interest in fine arts, art education, non-profit development, public relations, and general Museum studies. Interns will be assigned to the Dept. of Education. Background in studio art and art education is a bonus, but not required. Strong interest in working with children a must.

University of Pennsylvania:

Summer internships in the biological sciences available. Internship program provides students with 10 weeks of hands-on experience in a biomedical laboratory. Areas of research: Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics, Cell and Molecular Biology, Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Immunology, Neuroscience, Parasitology, and Pharmacological Sciences. Roswell Park Cancer Institute: Summer research participation program sponsored by the National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health and the New York State Dept. of Health. For current juniors interested in research as a career. Deadline Feb. 15.

Smithsonian Institution:

Minority internships available at the Smithsonian in Washington DC. Stipend of \$300 per week in this 10 week program. Travel costs will be provided.

St. Martha Manor Nusing Home:

Be a recreational therapy intern working closely with the elderly. Looking for recreational or music therapy, psychology, gerontology, social work majors or any related field.

For further info about these internships, please contact Career Services in Bomberger 121.

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Teach for America

A national corps of outstanding and diverse recent college graduates of all academic majors who commit two years to teaching in underresourced urban and rural public schools.

Come and learn about these full-time paid positions at a Career Services common hour lecture this Wednesday, Olin 107.

Greek Corner

The role of Greek Organizations on campus has been a topic of great discussion in the past and especially over the last several months as the release of the Middle States draft sparked even more controversy. These discussions led the Greek Presidents Council (GPC) to work toward publicizing the positive aspects of the Greek System. The following Positive Profile highlights some of the academic and leadership achievements of current Greek members in an attempt to dispel some of the myths. Although the debate involving campus fraternities and sororities may never be resolved, GPC hopes to provide the community with evidence that indeed supports the opinion that the Greek System is beneficial to our campus. Further information regarding Greek life can be found in future Grizzly articles, as well as in an upcoming Web Page.

GREEK POSITIVE PROFILE

Total Active Greek Members:	276	
Dean's List	128 (46.4%)	
Scholarship Recipients		
Dean's Colloquium Scholar	31	
Leadership Scholar	10	
President's Scholar	2	
Steinbright Scholar	3	
Ursinus College Merit Scholarship	46	
Ursinus College Scholarship	10	
W.W. Smith Scholar	4	
Outside Scholarships	21	
Total:	127 (46%)	
Honor Society Members	10	
Beta Beta Beta	13	
Kappa Mu Epsilon	2	
Phi Alpha Theta	2	
Phi Epsilon Kappa	5	
Phi Sigma Alpha	1	
Phi Sigma Iota	8	
Pi Nu Epsilon	11	
Psi Chi	1	
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Internship Students	36	
Research Students	41	
Study Abroad Participants	16	
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Collegiate Athletes	118 (42.8%)	
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Resident Assistants	11	
Other Leadership Roles	44 (15.9%)	
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—results were compiled from the achievements and participation of current Greek members since entering Ursinus College

-compiled by Greek Presidents Council and Student Activities Office 12/98

Collegeville Squares is a Hit

Jenn Fyke Features Editor

Wismer Lower Lounge was packed on Thursday night as students came out to see the very first Collegeville Squares. This CAB sponsored event was the brainchild of Brett Bertolino, who modeled the game after "Hollywood television's Squares," a game show which tests the knowledge of Tinseltown's celebrities. Ursinus invited its very own stars such as President Strassburger, Dr. Price, Stephanie McNulty, and Dr. Cameron. Dr. Goetz, the RDs Anna, Stacey, and Lisa, Dr. Lobo, and Joe Wismer were also in attendance, and Dean Small appeared as the distinguished center square. Todd McKinney hosted this event, which also featured sophomores Meghann and Shannon Kissel, who assisted Todd, and Roxanne Moore as the Vanna White of Collegeville Squares.

Just like the original, Collegeville Squares invited students to match their wits against "the squares." The result was a comical evening that provided the audience with many laughs owing to the crazy and wild humor of the squares. Questions included such fascinating trivia as "Which event occurs most often in December?" (Answer: conception, an answer that was later given as a reply to many a question.) Both the audience and faculty alike opened up after

the first round, and students were treated to a very unique side of their professors' humor. The students' response for this event was quite unexpected, CAB member Dipak Pandya noted that "it turned out even better than we could have imagined."

In "Hollywood Squares," contestants may win a new car or a trip abroad; Collegeville Squares, not to be outdone, offered some hot prizes of its own. Lori Oldrati won the top prize, a \$150 gift certificate to King of Prussia Mall. Other prizes included \$50 to King of Prussia, \$20 to the Ursinus bookstore, \$30 to Redners, and a phone card worth twenty dollars. But perhaps the best prize went to those who picked the "secret square:" these lucky contestants won a soda and a pizza courtesy of Zacks.

The huge success of the event was due in part because it provided an opportunity for the students to watch the faculty behave in an informal and humorous way. CAB member Mary Marcopul explains that the Collegeville Squares has been one of the most fun and entertaining events CAB has had in a long time, especially because it involved interaction between faculty and students." Mary went on to say that this would most likely become a yearly event, and new game shows may even appear in the future.



Director of Residence Life Stephanie McNulty listens to a question from Todd McKinney, the game's moderator. *Staff photo by Sue Fialkowski*.

Wellness Update Keeping your New Year's Resolutions

Everyone should try to make the resolution of reaching the goal of living healthier in 1999, whether that may be mentally or physically. Perform self-exams regularly, have screenings on schedule, and learn how to reduce any health risks you face. Manage stress, eat smart, and make time for exercise. Take an active role in your health care and get set for a winning year.

Here are some tips for a healthier body and mind:

1.Eat a well balanced diet.

2.Drink at least 6-8 glasses of water daily.

3.Enjoy aerobic exercises for 30 minutes at least 3 times a week.

4.Practice stress management every day.

5.Plan rewards when you reach your personal goals.

Remember, the Wellness Center can be found in the lower level of Sprankle Hall. The Wellness Center can also be reached by calling extention 2412 to make an appointment with Phyllis Osisek for counseling services or with the medical staff if you are feeling ill. Happy 1999 and keep wellness as a top resolution and have a great Spring semester.



State of Surreality: Controversy and contradiction highlight latest State of the Union Address

Chris Cocca

Opinions Editor

I'm not sure which aspect of President Clinton's State of the Union Address bothered me most. It wasn't his patented smug expression, or even his posture, shoulders slouched obnoxiously forward, arms crossed defiantly across the podium, not to mention the cocky air that pervaded most the delivery of his bold new vision for the America of the approaching millennium.

No, not even in the midst of the an age where we're more interested in a politician's hair-style than we are in his ideas, are these visual annoyances what bothered me most.

While Clinton's presentation was flawless, many of the things he actually said in the speech were not new or even original, and the fact that he passed them off as his own is what I find annoying, even though it's something we should all be accustomed to

by now. Examples of Clinton's political plagiarism abound, one the most flagrant of the speech was his newfound position on bolstering defense and military spending.

On Tuesday, the President rather emphatically proposed a triumphant return to military spending, as if the Republicans in Congress were the bunch of pot-smoking draft dodging hippies that slashed defense funds in the first place. A curious turn of events to say the least.

In reality, I'd wager that the Clinton administration has never thought twice about the thousands of former service men out of work as military bases throughout the country have closed on a large scale in recent years. His new call to arms may be a change of heart, or maybe, just maybe, he realizes that hostile conditions in China and North Korea cannot be ignored for ever, nor can they be effectively addressed by a weakened U.S. ArmedForces.

In fact, in the last 20 years of

this century, military spending has only increased under the Republican Reagan Administration, and has consistently decreased since Clinton assumed office.

Clinton also usurped much of the Republicans balanced budget thunder, implying that the \$63 billion surplus we've almost magically arrived at is the direct result of the foresight and virtue of his administration.

Every statistic I heard the good President spew forth emphasized that the America of the last 6 years is better in this way or that than in any America of any generation, and the pompous, glib implication was that we have him alone to thank for our unprecedented growth and prosperity.

Interesting. The President took office in 1993. The very next year, Republicans, due to a backlash at Clinton's tumultuous first year in power, gained control of both houses of Congress for the first time since the 1930's. So then, Clinton took office in 1993, and the Republican major-

ity was elected a scant 10 months later. Popular reforms from Welfare to the budget have happened only in this context. Since that election, Clinton followed a consistent policy of moving from the left to the to center of American politics, co-opting and Clintonizing Republican ideas along the way.

Not to say that the by-products have not been good for the country, because indeed they have. But what is important to note is that these advances were not authored by the President and only occurred when his leadership was challenged by energetic opponents and angry voters.

This is why the argument that "the economy's good, hence Clinton is a good president" doesn't hold water. The fact is, Clinton is a good politician, perhaps the consummate politician, but far from the consummate president. True leaders create good policies out of an obligation to their citizens, not out of political necessity or survival.

The State of the Union speech itself was in other terms good, well delivered as always. Mr. Clinton, if not a masterful truth teller, remains indeed a great orator, able to spring nimbly from word to convoluted word, enjoining the populist heroes of his embattled party to rise to their feet in praise and adoration for the man they'd have you believe to be the most tragic martyr of the millennium.

And while every President, indeed, every person, wants to paint himself in the best possible light, it's my contention that no other President in the recent history of the republic has been so effective in making himself look good by consistently commandeering the ideas of his opponents and selling them to a sleeping public as his own. The State of the Union Address last Tuesday night, shimmering and ornate, yet more of a cubic zirconia than finished gem of truth it seemed to be, was perhaps the crown jewel of William Jefferson Clinton's reign of deception.

Impeachment: Democracy on trial?

Brian Berg Staff Writer

With the impeachment trial of the President coming to a conclusion, it is time for the Senate to finally answer the "big" question: "Will he stay or will he go?" No matter what that decision is, it is sure to re-define the nature of the American Presidency for future generations.

However, the American people are so preoccupied with the political implications of the impeachment decision, that few are stopping to ask "Is this justice?" The impeachment proceedings have the appearance of a trial: there is a presiding judge to rule on matters of law, defenders and prosecutors to

present the evidence, and a "jury" that listens to the evidence and renders a verdict. But does the appearance of order in this setting mean that justice will be served?

How can a verdict be just when the jurors are partisan, rules of evidence do not apply and the traditional trial procedure has been altered? What does this impeachment say about the standards of justice when it comes to holding our leaders accountable for their actions?

The fact that the founders laid out the rules governing the impeachment process in the Constitution does not mean that we have to accept them blindly. Just as so many other facets of

American democracy have evolved from what the founders first laid down, so too must our democratic ideals evolve and force us to aspire to higher standards of democracy.

If we alter our standards of justice for the President, what example are we setting for future generations? If Clinton is removed from office by a partisan Senate, will it be because the facts proved him to be guilty, or will it be due to larger, political agendas? If Clinton is censured or goes unpunished, does that mean the President is above the law or that it is alright to lie, deceive and cover-up the truth?

In my mind, no matter what the verdict of the Senate, American democracy has already lost. The entire scandalplagued year has further tarnished the image of politics in America and has caused us to lose sight of the democratic ideals that are meant to guide us through crises such as these.

Instead of considering the political implications of the impeachment verdict on future Presidents and on the 2000 elections, Americans should be considering how the impeachment verdict will affect the democratic principles that American politics and America itself are supposed to hold above all else.

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> by 5 p.m., Thursdays:

The Grizzly **3rd Floor Bomberger Hall**

See submission box, 2nd floor stairwell

In Theaters Now...

Jeff Church & LouNemphos A & E Editors

Down in the Delta: A powerful and poetic directorial debut by Maya Angelou about getting a second chance in life. Alfre Woodard gives a fine portrayal of a down and out drunk sent to live with her uncle down near the Mississippi delta. Al Freeman Jr. and the late Esther Rolle (Florida Evans from Good Times) give Oscar worthy performances in the most pleasant surprise of the holidays. By Lou. Lou's Rating (***1/2).

In Dreams: Annette Bening stars as a woman driven insane by her dreams of a child serial killer in this thrill-less thriller. The scares come off as funny, the acting is amateurish, and the late entry by Robert Downey Jr. doesn't help. It's like Nightmare on Elm Street on Valium. By Lou. Lou's Rating: (*1/2)

A Simple Plan: Hank (Bill Paxton) tells his brother Jacob (Billy Bob Thornton) at the beginning of A Simple Plan while standing over a bag filled with over \$4 million. "You work for the American Dream, you don't steal it." This movie poses the question, "What if you find it and how far will you go to keep it?" A tightly wound thriller that never lets up about ordinary men in extraordinary situations. Great acting performances, dialogue and characters make A Simple Plan the best suspense thriller of 1998. By Lou. Lou's Rating: (***1/2) Jeff's Rating: (**

Stepmom: A heartfelt performance by Susan Saradon goes to waste in this poorly written drama which succumbs to Hollywood cliches instead of delving deep into the heart of the family problems. What the movie is basically saying is, don't care about your stepmom

unless your real mom gets sick and lie to get ahead in life. See it and you'll understand, but my suggestion to you is proceed with caution. By Lou. Lou's Rating: (**)

Varsity Blues: A movie you would have loved when you were 13 now seems childish and none too spectacular. The film focuses on high school football in West Canaan, Texas where football is life. The characters are one-dimensional, the film is predictable, and it doesn't know whether to be a social drama or a high school gross out film. Rating: (*1/2)

You've Got Mail: A sweet romantic comedy that takes us into the age of dating and mating via the Internet. Based on the 1940 film The Shop Around the Corner and the 1949 film In the Good Old Summetime, it reunites the team of Tom Hanks, Meg Ryan and director Nora Ephron (they collaborated on Sleepless in Seattle). It has 101 chances to become sappy, but doesn't. A nice movie for the holidayseason. Lou's Rating:

(***) Jeff's Rating: (**) The Thin Red Line is a sweeping philosophical look at war and metaphysics through the lens of the Pacific front battle of Guadalcanal. Despite jarring cameos from big named stars (John Travolta, George Clooney, Woody Harrelson, John Cusack), the film's rhythm flows along gently, to contrast the chaos of the battle scenes. The film contains spectacular nature images underscored by the occasional voice-over, which begins the film with: "Why does nature contend with itself?" Director and writer Terence Malick follows up with a beautifully written screenplay of meditation and ambiguity. The visual montage serves to combine and show the intricacies of the natural world, including man. Evil and good, man and woman, bird and crocodile are all fused together in a wavering, violent

mass of nature. Sean Penn's liams(not even funny in this film) character offers a complex view playsan annoyingly non-conformof cynicism but at points compas- ist medical student who goes into sion. Nick Nolte transcends as dying patients' rooms and puts the millstone who grinds against on rubber noses, acting like a the natural world. The film does, weirdo. If this is the kind of however, tend to keep the philoso- treatment the real Patch Adams phy and action apart at an arm's endorses, I think he should be length, but the theme is at the thrown on the funny farm again. essence of everything. By Jeff . Third, the movie just couldn't Jeff's Rating: (***1/2) Lou's make up its mind. It shifts from Rating: (**)

A Civil Action is well made though get a breather and blasting the it follows the plot and theme of a audience with sentimentality. I dime-a-dozen John Grisham was so aggravated at this movie courtroom drama. A small group by the end for its manipulating of lawyers go up against two large idiocy that I almost gave up my corporations in a seemingly im- hope for modern film. By Jeff possible-to-win case. Robert Jeff's Rating: (no stars) Lou's Duvall shines as the indifferent, Rating: (*1/2) baseball-loving lawyer whom I

confusing John Travolta charac- be: bad (teetering ter. Overall, it is disappointing for unwatchable). If you have a all the hype, but it is fun to see choice of cleaning the mildew William H. Macy and Travolta from under your refrigerator or give up all they have on an Ahab- going to see Virus, you better get hunts-the-white-whale kind of fu- the bucket and hot water ready. tile pursuit. By Jeff. Jeff's Rat- Jamie Lee Curtis, William ing: (***) Lou's Rating: (***) Baldwin, and Donald Sutherland

Tom Stoppard produces a won- doned. This film just isn't derfully smart and magical look at scary-at all. The big robot that one of the greatest writers in the stumbles clumsily along doesn't English language. Shakespeare, even have any weaponry on it played -beautifully by Joseph (but a little spider-like creature is Fiennes, falls in love with Viola, an armed with a nail gun). You equally well done performance by begin to wonder about halfway Gwyneth Paltrow. The quirky through this film exactly why this dialogue shows how sensational- movie got off the storyboard. By ism and business was a strong Jeff. Jeff's Rating: (*) component even to the great Shakespeare. Stoppard and di- Prince of Egypt continues this rector Madden interweave the year's excellent animated film world of theater and reality, show- tradition. This movie follows the ing the indeterminacy of both, car- story of Moses from childhood to ried by the line from Geoffrey adulthood with the classic part-Rush: "It's a mystery." By Jeff ing of the Red Sea scene (a Jeff's Rating: (****) Lou's breathtaking rendition, might I Rating: (****)

Patch Adams is one of the worst Moses is a character on the intrimovies I have seen this year. First, cately inscripted walls abound, this film is based on a true story, so and familiar voices do not interitattempts unceasingly to manipu- fere with the action (Jeff late the viewer to sympathize with Goldblum is questionable, howthis wacko doctor. Second, speak- ever). By Jeff Jeff's Rating: ing of wacko doctors, Robin Wil- (***1/2) Lou's Rating (***)

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Shakespeare in Love co-writer science vessel adrift and aban-

add). Interesting devices such as a dream sequence where

Film Society: New & Improved!

By Alison Eve Lutz

Staff Writer

The Ursinus campus offers many activities for students to occupy themselves all through the year. The Campus Activities Board does a good job of promoting all of its activities so students will have a chance to partake in the fun. There are some activities that are a little less publicized and well known. One of these is the Ursinus Film Society. The Film Society will be showing films every Thursday evening at seven thirty this semester in Olin Auditorium. Last semester's films included Alfred Hitchcock's Psycho, Clerks, and One Flew over the Cuckoo's Nest. This semester started off withDr. Strangelove with Peter Sellers. The Film Society is making some improvements concerning the films to be shown this semester. Film Society Vice-President, Lou Nemphos, says that the films will be more geared to the college audience. Says Nemphos, "I'm excited about our new and improved stuff. I think people should come out and see what we're going to show." He went on to explain that he was excited about this week's upcoming showing of I'm Gonna Git You Sucka on Thursday January 28 at 7:00 pm in Olin Pfahler Auditorium.

Students also have a chance to give their input on what should be shown on Wednesday January 27 during the Common Hour (12:00 pm) in Olin 305 when the Film Society will be meeting to discuss this semester's schedule. The focus of this semester is to present films that will be of interest to students while also being a chance for students to see films that they wouldn't ordinarily get a chance to see. The popular movies that are out sometimes can overshadow the older or more obscure films that are just as good, and sometimes even better, but get less publicity.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

The Best and Worst of 1998

Jeff's Picks

Jeff's 12 Best 1. Shakespeare in Love 2. A Simple Plan 3. The Spanish Prisoner 4. Saving Private Ryan 5. Your Friends and Neighbors 6. The Truman Show 7. Pi 8. The Big Lebowski 9. Pleasantville 10. Elizabeth 11. There's Something About Mary 12. Antz

Jeff's 8 Worst

1. Disturbing Behavior 2. Patch Adams 3. The Avengers 4. Godzilla 5. Halloween: H20 6. Deep Impact

7. Mafia!

8. Sphere

Best Comedy The Big Lebowski

> **Best** Action Enemy of the State

Best Sci- Fi / Horror Dark City

Best Date Movie What Dreams May Come

Best Male Performance Tom Hanks for Saving Private Ryan

Best Female Performance Gwyneth Paltrow for Shakespeare in Love

Best Director Terence Malick for The Thin Red Line

Biggest Surprise The Faculty

Biggest Disappointment Patch Adams

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Lou's Picks

Lou's 12 Best 1. Men With Guns 2. Happiness Shakespeare in Love 3. 4. Mulan 5. The Truman Show 6. Love & Death on Long Island 7. Saving Private Ryan 8. Next Stop Wonderland 9. A Simple Plan 10. The Spanish Prisoner 11. Gods and Monsters 12. (tie) A Bug's Life 12. (tie) Waking Ned Devine

Lou's 8 Worst

1. Ride 2. Halloween: H20 3. I Still Know What You Did Last Summer 4. Blues Brothers 2000 5. Lost in Space 6. Mercury Rising 7.54 8. The Man in the Iron Mask **Best** Comedy Waking Ned Devine

Best Action Enemy of the State

Best Sci- Fi/ Horror Dark City

Best Date Movie The Wedding Singer

Best Male Performance Ian McKellen for Gods and Monsters

Best Female Performance Gwyneth Paltrow for Shakespeare in Love

Best Director John Sayles for Men With Guns

Biggest Surprise Living Out Loud

Biggest Dissapointment The Thin Red Line

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY

Common Hour Presentation 12:30 p.m. Olin 104 Carla Rinde hosts "Teach for America" information session Common Hour Presentation Chi Rho Psi 12:30 p.m. Olin 107 Win Guilmette on "Budgeting: Preparing a Proposal for Funds" Project **Spanish Table** 5:30 p.m. Faculty dining room Pi Nu Epsilon **Japanese** Table 5:30 p.m. Faculty dining room S.U.N. 6:30 Unity House **Literary Society** 8:30 Java Trench (620 Main)

HURSDAY

Francophone Film Series: "Les Noce de Paper" 7:30 p.m. Olin Auditorium

SUNDAY

Ecumenical Service 11 a.m. Bomberger Aud. **Catholic Mass** 4 p.m. Bomberger Aud. 10 p.m. Bomberger 107

MONDAY

9 p.m. Wismer Lower Lounge Kappa Delta Kappa 9:30 p.m. Bomberger 106 Pi Omega Delta 10 p.m. Bomberger 200 **Upsilon Phi Delta** 10 p.m. Olin 107

I UESDAY

12 p.m. Faculty Dining Room

German Table

Student Activities Service Committee

12 p.m. Wismer Lower Lnge Grizzly 6 p.m. Wismer Parents Lnge

- **College** Choir 7:30 p.m. Bomberger Aud.
- Zeta Chi 9 p.m. Wismer Parent's Lnge
- Beta Sigma Lambda
- 9:30 Bomberger 200 Phi Alpha Psi

9:30 Bomberger 106 **Omega** Chi 9:30 Bomberger 109

Coming Soon ...

Lorelei Dance - Feb. 13

March Talent Show -Audition Date T.B.A.

AROUND THE REGION

Exhibits

Roman Glass: Reflections on Cultural Change University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology

Sticker Shock: Artist's Stickers

Institute of Contemporary Art, Philadelphia

Theater

Beer Nights Play and Players Theatre Philadelphia Sunset Boulevard Merriam Theater **Clue**, The Musical Society Hill Playhouse Lafferty's Wake Society Hill Playhouse

Music (upcoming)

Rusted Root Feb. 11, Tower Theater **Alanis Morissette** Feb. 13, First Union Center

Miscellaneous

World Wrestling Federation Jan. 31, First Union Center

Ursinus Gymnastics Back in Full Swing

Stephanie Restine

Staff Writer

The Ursinus Gymnastics team jumped right into the thick of things, taking on two Division I teams in its first outings. On Saturday, January 16, the Bears hosted Temple University and were defeated by a score of 179.75 to 161.45. The team also faced the Owls again on Wednesday, January 19 as well as opponent Rutgers in a tri-meet. Ursinus fell to both teams, scoring 172.325 following the Scarlet Knights with 187.625 and Temple with 183.550.

However, on Saturday January 23, the Bears reigned victorious in their first win of the season against Rhode Island College by a score of 174.225 to 168.600.

Two newcomers, freshmen Jumaah Johnson and Bridget Young, led the UC squad on the 16th in the individual all-around competition with scores of 35.375 and 34.05, respectively. Young also received the highest marks for Ursinus on vault with 8.8, as did Johnson with 9.3 for the floor exercise. Sophomore Cheryl Wetzel recorded an 8.8 on balance beam, while sophomore Lauren McNamee was awarded a 9.0 on the uneven bars.

On Wednesday the 20th, the depth of the Ursinus team was apparent, as the top three finishers belonged to three separate classes. Freshman Young posted the highest marks with an all-around total of 34.575, followed closely by senior Angela Mullan (34.475) and sophomore McNamee (33.700.)

Young and McNamee, demonstrating consistent prowess on specific events, received top scores on vault (9.0) and bars (8.7,) respectively. Freshman Christine Ng made her mark early at UC with 9.25 on beam. Mullan continued to dominate on the floor exercise, scoring 9.025 for the Bears. On the 23rd, Young once again led the all-around marks for the Bears with a score of 35.125, while also winning the high marks on vault with a 9.075. Classmates Johnson and Ng took the top spots on bars and beam with 9.05 and 9.0, respectively. After a hiatus due to injury, junior Sarah LaVigne made her return with a flourish, scoring a 9.0 for the Bears on beam.

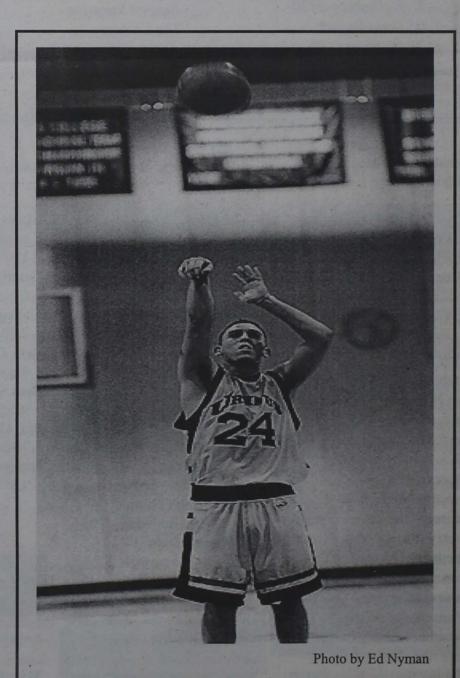
LaVigne commented, "Everyone keeps stepping up to fill in any gaps in our line-up. We have really strong freshman, and we have a lot of depth. Everyone works really hard in practice, and it really shows when we get to the meets."

Assessing the team's outlook for the remainder of the season, Assistant Coach Ed Nyman stated, "This year's team is the most talented team in the history of Ursinus. We are currently ranked third in the nation in Division III. Avoiding injuries, we have an excellent chance at the National Championship."

UC Gymnastics will try to continue its winning streak on Saturday, January 30 at home against Navy.



Photo by Ed Nyman Luther Ownes drives through the lane.

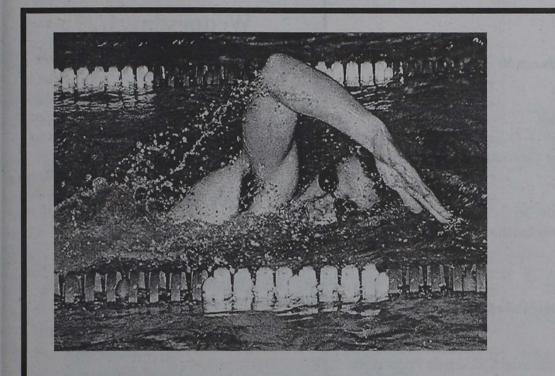


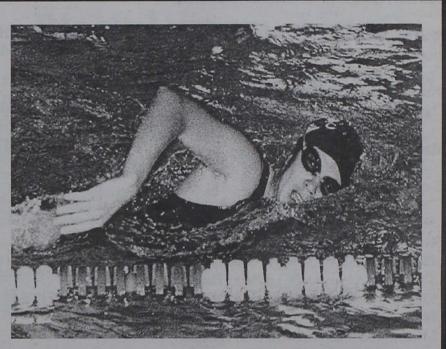
Sophomore Mike Sullivan shoots a free throw.

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SPORTS

First Conference Win for UC Swimming





Photos by Ed Nyman

Ursinus Swimmers overwhelm Gettysburg

Stephanie Restine Staff Writer

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After tough losses on Wednesday, January 20 to 1994-1998 Centennial Conference Champion Gettysburg, the Ursinus swim team rebounded with their first Conference wins of the season against Western Maryland on Saturday, January 23. The UC women bested their opponents 114-72, while the men won by a score of 109-78.

Although Ursinus was defeated by the strong Gettysburg team on Wednesday, the Bears still managed to take top honors in several events. For the women, senior Kelly Donohue continued to dominate the 200 backstroke, placing first with a time of 2:19.69. In the men's events, senior Russ Whelan won the 1,000 freestyle in a time of 10:56.72. The final score for the women was Ursinus 36, Gettysburg 153, while the men's score was Ursinus 44, Gettysburg 138.

However, on Saturday, the Ursinus swimmers were back with a fury of energy and enthusiasm as were the spectators. Although the competition was fierce, the camaraderie between the Western Maryland and Ursinus swimmers was easily apparent, especially when the Green Terror "lost their mascot" to the hands of the Bears.

Senior Geoff Mills stated, "I knew we had a good chance of winning, but I didn't think it was definite. Iknew we would have to work hard. We couldn't just depend on first place finishes; taking many seconds and thirds helped us win this meet."

Although winning numerous points through their placement depth, UC boasted a total of 14 first place finishes in the 22 events against the Green Terror. For the men, two Bears were triple winners including Mills in the 200 individual medley (2:10.52,) the 500 freestyle (5:13.95,) and the 400 freestyle relay (3:39.35,) and sophomore Chris Calderelli in the 50 freestyle (23.45,) the 100 freestyle (51.44,) and the 400 freestyle relay.

Also winning for the Bears was Whelan, continuing to excel in the 1,000 freestyle with a time of 11:02.57. Freshman Pete Drunkenmiller took top honors in the 100 breaststyle, clocking in at 1:06.23. Contributors to the winning 400 freestyle relay team were senior Dan "Dr." Jones, Whelan, Mills, and Calderelli.

In the women's events, Donohue was a triple winner, taking firsts in the 200 individual medley (2:24.43,) the 200 backstroke (2:20.78,) and the 400 freestyle relay (4:02.73.) Senior Lynn Knothe took command of the distance events for the Bears, winning the 500 (5:55.04) and the 1,000 (12:12.30) freestyle events as well as the 200 butterfly (2:31.59.)

Other winners for the women were senior Suzanne Alexander in the 200 breaststroke (2:44.31) and freshman Lindsay Glah in the 50 freestyle (27.25.) Freshman Natalie MacConnell, Donohue, freshman Victoria Barrucco, and Glah combined to bring home first place in the 400 freestyle relay.

The Bears were extremely excited about their first Centennial Conference win of the season. Senior John Shoen, enjoying a personal best in the competition, commented, "We went into the meet with a good attitude and swam really well even though we had a couple of major injuries holding us back."

Head Coach Tammy John also stated, "Everyone did a really great job. It was an entire team effort. We are really happy with our win and look forward to the next one."

The Bears take on Franklin and Marshall at homenext Saturday, January 30 at 1:00 PM. Please come out and show your support.

Winter Sports Wrap-Up

Stephanie Restine

Staff Writer

Wrestling

Record: Conference 1-0, Overall 8-7-1 Currently Second in the Centennial Conference

Monday-Wednesday 12/28-30 Florida Duals (1-4-1) Ursinus bested August Anna, while falling to Wartburg, Baldwin-Wallace, Lawrence, and Pacific. The squad also tied opponent Norwich.

Monday 1/4

SUNY-Oneonta 22, Ursinus 21
Ursinus 38, Johns Hopkins 3
125: Jason Flor (U, So.) won by forfeit
133: Kevin Greco (U, Jr.) won by forfeit
141: Cory Falgowski (JH) d. Brad Tobias, 8-6
149: John DuGour (U, So.) d. Scott Creamer, 15-3
157: Donny Asper (U, Sr.) d. Mike Halchak, 11-4
165: Brent Dodulik (U, Fr.) d. Jose Gonzalez, 7-5
174: Nate McElhaney (U, Sr.) d. Wylie Clark, 5-3
184: Eric Trimmer (U, Sr.) d. Phil Amanik, 10-2
197: Floyd Pugh (U, Fr.) d. pinned Dan Blynn, 4:34
285: Wil Skretkowicz (U, Jr.) d. Phil Kim, 7-2

Friday 1/15 National Duals (2-2) Cortland 24, Ursinus 21 Ithaca 25, Ursinus 9

Saturday 1/16 National Duals (2-2) Ursinus 25, Wisconsin-Whitewater 16 Ursinus 24, Oswego 16

Men's Basketball Record: Conference 4-0, Overall 8-6 Currently First in the Centennial Conference

Monday 12/7 Sophomore Richard Barrett honored as Centennial Conference Player of the Week

Tuesday 12/8 Catholic University 101, Ursinus 70 Barrett scored 16 points to lead the Bears.

Thursday 12/10 Ursinus 76, Haverford 66 Sophomore Luther Owens led in the CC victory with 20 points.

Saturday 12/12 Lebanon Valley 91, Ursinus 61 Tying his own CC record, Barrett made eight threepointers. Wednesday 1/6 Drew 75, Ursinus 37

Wednesday 1/13 Ursinus 86, Stevens Tech 59

Saturday 1/16 Ursinus 68, Swarthmore Barrett, Owens, and junior Chris Ciunci topped the high scorers.

Wednesday, 1/20 Johns Hopkins 69, Ursinus 50

Women's Basketball Record: Conference 3-4, Overall 4-9 Currently Third in the Centennial Conference East

Tuesday 12/8 Ursinus 86, Bryn Mawr 36 Senior Kelly McCarthy led the Bears with 25 points

Thursday 12/10 Ursinus 78, Lincoln 72 Personal best for junior Shana Goane with 33 points

Monday 12/14 Goane honored as Centennial Conference Player of the Week.

Thursday 1/7 Juniata 73, Ursinus 63 Senior Tracy DiSanto scored 17 points for the Bears.

Saturday 1/9 Gwynedd Mercy 68, Ursinus 52

Wednesday 1/13 Ursinus 70, Haverford 60

Saturday 1/16 Franklin & Marshall 62, Ursinus 57 DiSanto bested own record with 21 points.

Tuesday 1/19 Johns Hopkins 56, Ursinus 37 Both seniors Jen Mahoney and McCarthy came up with nine points in the loss.

Thursday 1/21 Ursinus 72, Swarthmore 57 McCarthy had a game-high 28 points, 20 in the second half.

Saturday, 1/23 Rosemont 57, Ursinus 55 Shana Goane led the Bears with 12 points.

Women's Gymnastics Record: Conference 1-0, Overall 1-2

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UC Sports This Week

Wednesday, 1/27 Wrestling@Wilkes-&Albright 7:00 pm

Thursday, 1/28 Basketball (W) @ Immaculata 7:00 pm

Saturday, 1/30

Basketball (M) vs. Washington 7:30 pm Basketball (W) vs. Dickinson 2:00 pm Swimming vs. Franklin&Marshall 1:00 pm Indoor Track @ Widener Invit. 11:00 am Gymnastics vs. Navy 4:30 pm Wrestling @ Swarthmore 11:00 am

Tuesday, 2/2

Basketball (M) @ Muhlenberg 8:00 pm Basketball (W) @ Muhlenberg 6:00 pm

Saturday 1/16 Temple 179.75, Ursinus 161.45 Tallying 35.375, freshman Jumaah Johnson led the Bears in the individual all-around.

Tuesday 1/19 Rutgers 187.625, Temple 183.550, Ursinus 172.325 In the all-around, the Bears were led by freshman Bridget Young and senior Angela Mullan.

Saturday, 1/23 Ursinus 174.225, Rhode Island 168.600 Bridget Young was second in the all-around with a score of 35.125.

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