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# THE GRIZZLY

Anyone who isn't confused really doesn't understand the situation.

---Edward R. Murrow

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## Bridge Over Troubled Waters

### ZX Pledging Activities Leave Fraternity, Two Students Suspended

**Stephanie Restine**

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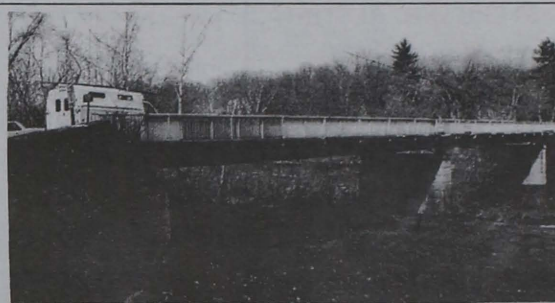
Following the citations of four Ursinus students by the Lower Providence Police on Feb. 23, the Judicial Board met on Wednesday, March 15 to assess the appropriate punishment concerning the alleged pledging violations. The Board revoked the charter of Zeta Chi indefinitely and suspended both the

pledgemaster and the president of the fraternity.

Ursinus administration became aware of the purported violation through a segment of the Montgomery County Police Blotter in the Philadelphia Inquirer. According to the March 2 Inquirer, "four Ursinus College students were cited for disorderly conduct after they were seen walking on the rails of the Arcola bridge with pillowcases over their heads," (County Section, page 5).

The segment continued, "The students would tell police only their identifying information, refusing to explain why they were walking on the bridge. Police determined it was an activity they had been requested to do by a fraternity they had recently pledged."

Administrative officials reading the article immediately commenced inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the issue. "After reading the newspa-



A view of the Arcola bridge, where the ZX pledging troubles took place. Staff Photo by Sue Fialkowski

## Memories: Under Construction

### Alternative Spring Breakers Build a Home and Friendships in Danville, VA

**Emily Callaghan**

*Staff Writer*

This year Senior Jess Killian led 27 students, ventured out to do something different for Spring Break. The group traveled by bus to southern Virginia for seven days to work with the Habitat for Humanity organization to aid in the construction of one and renovation of two homes in the town of Danville.

The Alternative Spring Break Club worked very hard not only during the week but also in

preparation for their excursion. They met once a week for months before March vacation in order to organize and fundraise.

Once they arrived in Virginia, the Ursinus Students separated into two groups and went straight to work.

One group worked on the renovations of one house and worked to finish another by laying a new floor and painting the entire house. The other group worked with a master carpenter and in the course of the week built and

stood four exterior walls and all of the house's interior walls. They also spent a day shoveling and leveling eight tons of gravel into the basement so that the cement floor could be poured the next week.

The students that went on the trip all had a great time, not only through the work that they did, but also through the friendships they made.

"I was looking for something

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## Behe Lecture Sparks Scientific Debate

**Jeff Church**

*A&E Editor*

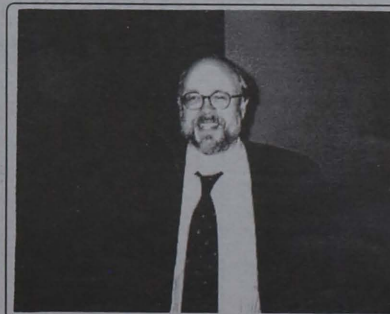
Olin Auditorium erupted last week with a heated debate between Creationism and Darwinism, even though the speaker explicitly stated that his view did not entail "the existence of God."

Dr. Michael Behe, professor of Biochemistry at Lehigh Univer-

sity, spoke on Thursday, March 16, on his recent book, *Darwin's Black Box*.

Behe argues in his book that he has found certain molecular structures in organisms that exhibit the property of being "irreducibly complex"—that is, these structures are such that they could not have been created by

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Dr. Michael Behe spoke before an energetic crowd in Olin Auditorium this past Thursday.

*Staff Photo by Sue Fialkowski*

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## Alternative Spring Break: Building A Home, Away From Home

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to do that would be fun, inspirational and rewarding, and during that week I accomplished all those things," sophomore Chris Wayock said. "It was an incredible experience."

When they weren't working, the students had time to hang out and get to know each other and the people of the community. "Learning to Double Dutch with Steve (the carpenter on the site) was one of my favorite parts," sophomore Dave Brown said. "That's not something I ever thought I would do on this trip. I also made a lot of lasting friendships. This Spring Break was one I'll always

remember."

Next year, Glen Digwood and Emily Callaghan will lead the club and both are excited about attempting to get even more people involved. Anyone interested

in this seeing highlights of this years trip or in joining the club next year are encour-



The ASB Club with workers from Habitat for Humanity in front of the home they helped construct. Staff Photo by Emily Callaghan

aged to stop by the ASB club's common hour presentation on April 12 in Olin.

## Controversial Lecture Challenges Darwin, Evolution

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numerous, slight modifications necessitated by Darwin. Therefore, Behe argues, these structures must have been designed.

At the lecture, Behe spoke more generally on the intuition of design. He used the example of a mousetrap as an analogy to certain molecular structures to prove that if one came across a "mousetrap" in an organism, one would conclude that this "mousetrap" in the organism was designed.

The reaction was mixed among biologists, chemists, and philosophers. Sophomore philosophy major Cameron Brewer stated that he simply "did not have enough knowledge of the complex biochemical systems for his argument to convince me."

Although in the lecture Behe did boil

down the argument from his book, he still forcefully maintained that design persists in nature. David Hume, a 17<sup>th</sup> century Scottish philosopher, was one of the original thinkers to attack the "Teleological Argument," which Behe adapts, using evidence from biochemistry.

In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, Charles Darwin also uses evidence from science, this time to attack the Teleological Argument and to forge the basis for the view that life as we know it could have emerged ultimately from slight mutations occurring since the beginning of the planet.

Behe claims that his purpose in writing his book was to show that this purely Darwinian view of the origin of life is

inadequate for explaining all structures in nature.

Behe believes that Darwinian evolution is an *important* explanation, but it should not be the *only* explanation.

But can Behe appeal to *design* supported by scientific evidence?

Sophomore biology / philosophy major Lucas Dennis stated that "while Behe made it clear that he is not a creationist, I believe that Behe overstepped his boundaries as a scientist by offering a supernatural explanation for natural evidence."

With sales of Behe's book over 100,000 in the U.S., the debate over the inadequacy of Darwinism will surely continue.

## ZX President, Pledgemaster Punished By Judicial Board

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we contacted the police to get a report and to talk to someone," Dean of Students Todd McKinney stated.

The meeting of the Judicial Board was called on Wednesday due to the fraternity's alleged "violation of state law and college policy," McKinney said.

Subsequent to the suspension of the fraternity members, Zeta Chi participants appealed to President Strassburger within the allotted seven-day time frame. President Strassburger will determine the fate of the suspended students by Wednesday, March 22.

Although some Zeta Chi members were reluctant to comment, sophomore

Christopher Got defended the fraternity, claiming, "The report in the Inquirer was slanderous, and the police report says differently."

"There are no winners in situations like this," McKinney concluded. "The college doesn't win and neither do the students."



The Zeta Chi pledges were allegedly walking on the beam of the Arcola Bridge between the roadway (left) and the asphalt path (right) with pillowcases on their heads.

Staff photo by Sue Jialkowski



A brief look at the events...happenings...occurrences that made news this past week throughout the country and around the world

Extra! Extra!

## When Tigers Attack...Free Speech and the Virgin Mary...President Clinton Goes *Anti-Nuclear*

Dan Reimold

News Editor

**In an unheard of courtroom decision** in the country of Pakistan, Judge Allah Baksh Ranja sentenced serial killer Javed Iqbal, 42, to die in the same manner he murdered over a hundred children before turning himself into police less than one year before. "You will be strangled in front of the parents whose children you killed," the judge ordered the defendant this past Thurs Mar. 16. "Your body will then be cut into one hundred pieces and put in acid, the same way you killed the children." The government of Pakistan, a nation where public punishments are highly uncommon, has stated it would not condone this type of sentencing. As Asma Jehangiu, a human rights lawyer proclaims, "You don't answer back a sick man in a sick way by the state." Meanwhile, the defendant Iqbal is planning to appeal.

**A three-year-old Houston, Texas youth**, who this past week had his arm bitten off by his uncle's pet tiger after reaching between a gap in its chain-link cage, had the appendage reattached by surgeons who declare, "he should be able to move on and live a very normal type of life." Jayton Tidwell was rushed to the hospital Wed. Mar. 15 after neighbors heard his "bloodcurdling scream" and discovered the normally "really nice and passive animal" had suddenly attacked. Cheyenne, a four-year old female Bengal tiger weighing close to four hundred pounds, bit off Tidwell's arm between the elbow and the shoulder and is currently under quarantine for a 30 day

period in compliance with state law. Larry Tidwell, the young boy's uncle, has been charged with keeping a dangerous animal without a permit, which carries with it a

in a court of law.

**President Clinton** embarked on a six-day journey to both Pakistan and India, along with daughter Chelsea, this past

them and for the world." First lady Hilary Rodham Clinton did not attend with her family, instead staying in the states to focus on her New York senate fight against New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

**Jordan Inselman**, a 20 year-old resident of Lower Makefield was hit head-on by a drunk driver and killed this past Friday, March 17 in the early morning hours on Interstate-95 South. Michael Simone, 40, of Philadelphia traveled for over eight miles on the wrong side of the highway before slamming into Inselman and killing him instantly. Simone, whose blood alcohol level was measured at over three times the legal limit at the time of the accident, walked away from the scene with only minor injuries. He has been charged with murder, homicide by vehicle while driving under the influence and involuntary manslaughter. Meanwhile, Inselman's father wishes he had had the opportunity to say 'I love you' to his son one last time.

**"You will be strangled in front of the parents whose children you killed. Your body will then be cut into one hundred pieces and put in acid, the same way you killed the children."**

---Pakistani Judge to convicted serial killer

five hundred dollar fine.

**An estimated fifty students** at Providence College, a private institution of 3,700 mostly Roman Catholic students located in Providence, Rhode Island, gathered recently in a free speech protest centered directly on campus. The demonstration was in response to the administration's recent suspension of three students who used a depiction of the Virgin Mary deemed inappropriate in pro-abortion fliers placed around campus earlier in the semester. The college administration issued a statement saying, "The deliberate misuse of the image of the Blessed Virgin...cannot be defended under the guise of 'free speech'. We don't dispute their opinion, but rather how it was expressed." Students are complaining that the fliers were not meant as insulting but rather as a spark to ignite a heated debate about the issue on campus. Student protestors held signs such as, "The first amendment does not stop at the gates of PC. Protect your rights," and "Do I pay for you to oppress me?" Due to the fact that the college is private, American Civil Liberties Union officials don't believe any legal challenge would hold up

weekend with three main objectives. "I want to do what I can to reduce tensions on the Indian subcontinent, to reduce the likelihood of weapons proliferation and the likelihood of conflict," Clinton stated in the days before the historic trip. This is first by a U.S. president to India in 22 years, Pakistan in over 30 and the first-ever to the poverty-stricken nation of Bangladesh. Clinton hopes to make apparent to all three nations "our view that a nuclear future is a dangerous future for

### Weird News


Dan Reimold

News Editor

A popular Austrian clothing store chain grabbed headlines recently for offering a give-away gimmick so bizarre it sent eager customers into the buff. Completely naked, braving freezing temperatures and many a wide-eyed stare from

### This Week: Austria

unknowing passersby, scores of faithful shoppers throughout Austria waited for the 9 am opening of the Kleider-Bauer clothing retail chain recently at over 40 locations, spurred on by offerings of a gift coupon for the first five streakers to reach the counter inside in the store. Winning nudes received \$357 in credit to purchase new clothing apparel, along with a navy blue bath towel to cover up while in the store.




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## Alcohol and It's Detrimental Effects On Adolescence

Adolescence can be a volatile time of life. Young people's physical and emotional states are in flux. They live in a society that places demands on them to "grow up fast." Add alcohol to this mix and you have the potential for lifelong and life-threatening consequences.

Young people are especially vulnerable to the effects of drinking. They may think that because they're in good health now, drinking won't hurt. But it can have devastating consequences—today and later in life.

You can't ignore the facts. According to the Ninth Special Report to the U.S. Congress on Alcohol and Health, substance abuse may impair adolescents ability to make judgments about sex and contraception, placing them at increased risk for unplanned pregnancy, sexual assault, or becoming infected with a sexually transmitted disease, including HIV/AIDS.

According to a study released in December 1999 by the Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University, teens 14 and younger who use alcohol are twice as likely to have sex than those who don't, and teens 15 and older who drink are seven times likelier to have sexual intercourse and twice as likely to have it with four or more partners than non-drinking teens. What's more, numerous studies have shown that adolescents are more likely to engage in unprotected sex when they drink alcohol than when they do not.

Every year about 3 million teens are infected with a sexually transmitted disease. Among sexually active teens, those who average five or more drinks daily are nearly three times less likely to use condoms, thus placing them at greater risk for contracting sexually transmitted diseases. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates

that fewer than 1 percent of AIDS cases occur in adolescents, whereas persons in their 20s account for 20 percent of all cases. Because of the incubation period between exposure to HIV and the onset of AIDS symptoms (as long as 10 years), the high rate of AIDS among people in their 20s may be a consequence of infection during the teen years.

There are other disturbing numbers. One national study of teenagers found that about half had been drinking and/or using drugs before the act of intercourse that resulted in unintended pregnancy. Each year about 1 million teen-aged girls in this country become pregnant, and 80 percent of those pregnancies are unintended. Alcohol use during pregnancy may result in fetal alcohol syndrome or effect.

Alcohol use is implicated in more incidents of sexual violence than any single drug, according to the CASA study. Alcohol use by the victim, the perpetrator or both is implicated in 46 to 75 percent of date rape cases among teens and college students.

The use of alcohol and other drugs is associated with the leading causes of death and injury (such as motor-vehicle crashes, homicides and suicides) among teenagers and young adults. A 16-year-old is still more likely to die from an alcohol-related problem than any other cause.

In addition to the immediate dangers posed by young drinkers, underage alcohol use is a strong predictor of future alcohol abuse. A recent study found that people who begin drinking before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcoholism than those who begin at 21.

April has been designated as Alcohol Awareness Month by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence. The theme of this month is preventing underage drinking, and April 7-9 is Alcohol-Free Week-end. It is a good time for schools and communities to plan programs that encourage young people to avoid alcohol and offer







healthy alternatives to drinking. This comes at a good time, since many schools are now busily planning proms, graduation parties and other events.

It's clear that delaying alcohol use is beneficial to the health and development of young people. Increasing awareness of the potential consequences of alcohol use is one piece to helping young people make informed, healthy choices in their lives. Parents can greatly influence those choices by practicing responsible alcohol-use behavior and establishing—and enforcing—clear no-use rules about alcohol.

*Alive & Free is a chemical health column provided by Hazelden, a nonprofit agency based in Center City, Minn., that offers a wide range of information and services relating to addiction and recovery. For more resources on substance abuse, call Hazelden at 800-257-7800 or check its web site at [www.hazelden.org](http://www.hazelden.org).*

### Weekly Weather Forecast

courtesy of *weather.com*

TUE		Showers	hi 45°F lo 34°F
WED		Mostly Cloudy	hi 59°F lo 37°F
THU		Mostly Cloudy	hi 66°F lo 38°F
FRI		Partly Cloudy	hi 67°F lo 39°F
SAT		Scattered Showers	hi 66°F lo 41°F
SUN		Scattered Showers	hi 65°F lo 39°F

## Census 2000

Census 2000 is coming to our area in the near future. Apr. 1 is designated as Census Day here at Ursinus. Students will be receiving census information in their mailboxes after Spring Break. Designated drop off areas will be assigned across campus on Apr. 1. It is vital that every student takes a few minutes to fill out the appropriate information. Census data is used to determine the apportionment of seats in the US House of Representatives and the distribution of state and Federal Funds. It is also used to decide where critical services, such as health clinics, schools, and day-care centers, are placed in each community.

## Job Opportunities

The United States Census Bureau is looking for people throughout the area to do part time work in their own communities as enumerators and crew chiefs. Anyone who can work up to 40 hours per week is encouraged to apply. The pay range is from \$14 to \$15.50 an hour.

A 30 minute basic skills test is required to qualify, and test are being offered throughout Montgomery County. Please call 1-888-325-7733 or 610-270-3162 to register for a test at a location convenient to you. For more information on these job opportunities, stop by Career Services.



# UC Democrats Give Donation to cityspace

Geoffrey S. Brace

Special to The Grizzly

The Ursinus College Chapter of the College Democrats of America (UCD) have been busy around campus. In addition to bringing Bob Rovner, a US Senatorial Candidate to campus, UCD has been selling t-shirts with their logo proudly displayed on the front and back. All money raised with these shirts will go to an organization. The first organization to receive funds will be

"cityspace." "cityspace" is a nonprofit, state licensed, school age child care center. This donation shows that two community organizations can come together to help serve the public good.

"cityspace" came into existence in 1989 and serves inner city children in Allentown, PA, ranging from grades one through five. "cityspace" offers before and after school care during the school year and full day care in the summer. Transportation is also provided to and from elementary schools that the children attend.

In its original conception, which continues to the present day, "cityspace" has been more than just a "latchkey" program. The site offers a unique variety of experiences due to the availability of a full kitchen, library, gymnasium and classroom areas dedicated to the arts, social growth and computer education. In its programming, the focus is on life skills and social development. To that end, "cityspace" offers a variety of program opportunities: arts and crafts classes, music, dramatics and puppetry, cooking and nutritional classes, and writing workshops. In addition, there are educational and developmental games, homework club, computer training, literacy program and physical education at

the center. In outside space "cityspace" explores hydroponics, container gardens and other urban gardening methods. In the summer they have a variety of field trips and a swimming program. The goal is to help children build self-confidence and to pro-

Carlos Ciruelos, Founder of UCD and Vice President, says "Our mission on campus and throughout our community stresses the importance of enlightened social discussion and community service for public causes."

mote the spirit of cooperation in the midst of a culturally diverse environment. In order to maintain these programs "cityspace" provides highly qualified and educated personnel with skilled training to insure that the program offers enriching age appropriate activities.

In order to serve the community as much as possible, "cityspace" is a subsidized childcare affiliated program which allows families to apply for financial assistance. They also provide additional financial aid to those currently on the waiting lists for this type of support. The objectives of "cityspace" are to:

1. Provide an atmosphere of encouragement, warmth and security for elementary school children, in grades one through five.
2. Assist in the development of school age children by building self-esteem, teaching them cooperative, non-violent solutions to conflict and celebrating their diversity through academic and social programming.
3. Promote the social and economic stability of families, especially single parent and/or low income families by providing a constructive and safe place for children of working parents before and after school during the school year and full days during the summer.
4. Coordinate a coalition of civic agencies, businesses, foun-

dations and religious organizations to meet a range of pressing inner-city needs.

Carol Archibald, the Executive Director of "cityspace" for over six years says her job "is a challenging position. Our current enrollment is approximately 65 elementary age children. There are nine staff members working full or part time hours. "cityspace" is a very busy place, but the money you have raised will be a gift of warmth to the chil-

dren in our care. They will each receive a sweatshirt in December at our holiday party. Your efforts have given us a head start in that direction. We thank you for your generosity and kindness to the children we care for. It is refreshing to see that today's youth are concerned with helping others in need. You are an excellent example of what we all can do with a little effort. Your thoughtfulness is much appreciated."

UCD chose "cityspace" because, in the words of a famous Democratic Governor, Zell Miller, "when a child has no hope, a nation has no future."

Also, Carlos Ciruelos, Founder of UCD and Vice President, says "Our mission on campus and throughout our community stresses the importance of enlightened social discussion and community service for public causes. In short, we aim to improve the quality of life on our campus and of the lives around us." The check will be given to the "cityspace" Board of Directors on March 15 at its monthly meeting.

If you want to get involved with Ursinus' primer political organization, visit their web site [webpages.ursinus.edu/ucd/ucd](http://webpages.ursinus.edu/ucd/ucd). CDA is still selling their t-shirts to benefit yet another organization. Also, stay tuned for the UCD and College Republicans debate on education.

## 2000 Edition of "Who's Who" Announced

Thirty-nine Ursinus seniors have been selected for inclusion in the 2000 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," the annual directory of national outstanding campus leaders. The students were nominated by a campus committee and affirmed by "Who's Who" editors. Selection is based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

The year 2000 inductees join an elite group of students from more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. The directory has honored students since it was first published in 1934.

The students are Tulio Ricardo Albuquerque; Matthew J. Bigert,

Michael O. Boyer, Ara C. Brown, Robert J. Brychta, Carlos Ciruelos, Ashley L. Claus, Stacy L. Dennery, Jamie Di Blassio, Sally M. Drapcho, Michael C. Edwards, Serena Filson, Kristin Geist, Andrew E. Gerchak, Erin K. Golembewski, Meghan B. Gualtieri, Justin P. Harrison, Kelly M. Knapp, Corey Krejcik, Jessica Lang, Cynthia A. Leahy, Mary H. Marcopul, Jeanelle M. Morgan, Oana Nechita, Lisa L. Newmaster, Anthony J. Perri, Rebecca F. Petre, Brian D. Pro, Simon Rak, David S. Rambo, Janel S. Reppert, Stephanie L. Restine, Rebekah J. Ruth, Hadley A. Schmoyer, Spencer S. Shelly, Caitlin V. Sigler, Susan O. Varghese, Parul V. Vora and Lindsay E. Weltman.

## What's Up In Wellness

The nicotine in tobacco is one of the most addictive substances scientists know of and about eight out of every ten people who try smoking get hooked. Even those people who smoke cigars or use smokeless (chewing) tobacco are at risk. In fact, cigar smokers are three times more likely to develop lung cancer than non-smokers and have a higher chance of contracting other diseases such as emphysema and heart disease. Smokeless tobacco contains more nicotine than cigarettes and can therefore be more addictive.

Tobacco is a known cause of cancer, primarily lung cancer. It accounts for nearly one third of the 419,000 smoking-related deaths each year and is the number one cause of cancer deaths in both men and women in the US. However, lung cancer is not the only effect of smoking. A person is also at risk of getting cancer of the mouth, sinuses, esophagus, brain, breast, uterus, bladder, kidney, and thyroid. Tobacco smoke also causes or promotes many other diseases, including

bronchitis, emphysema, strokes, heart attacks, ulcers, cataracts, gum disease and tooth loss. It can also cause early aging in women and impotence in men. Besides the health effects, smoking can make your breath and clothes smell and your teeth and fingernails turn yellow.

Quitting smoking is an important health choice that can benefit you in all aspects. If you want to quit, here are some tips to help you out: become involved in activities that will keep you busy and keep your mind off the need for a cigarette. Quit with a friend, it will provide support for both of you and challenge you to succeed. Quit gradually. Don't go cold turkey. It is hard for your body to adapt to sudden changes. Adopt a program and stick to it. Quitting is not easy and is not always accomplished on the first try. Persistence is key.

For more information contact the Wellness Center at X2412.



## Alternative Spring Break: The Best Decision of My Life

**Lauren Cyrsky**

Copy Editor

There are so many things in life that can be summed up in a couple of words. Unfortunately, my spring break experience wasn't one of them. Sure, I had fun. It was awesome. The friends I made on the Alternative Spring Break trip to Danville, VA are great. But I really have no idea how to put all of my feelings down on paper.

Out of everyone, I think that I was the most nervous person. I decided to go last minute, and yeah, give up my week to build houses. I don't know what I was thinking.

Looking back, I know that I made one of the best decisions of my life. I could have been home channel surfing, breaking in my family's new couch, playing taxi driver for my younger siblings, or even getting drunk and tan in Cancun. Instead, I was eight hours from home, waking up at 7 am every day to loud music, hammering nails, wheelbarreling eight tons of gravel, raising walls - all with 25 other students from Ursinus. It may not be most people's idea of a good time, but when you're with cool

people anything is possible.

I also learned a lot on the trip. I've never been able to hammer a nail in straight. The concept of using a level and why it was necessary was beyond me. Steve, a construction firm owner who volunteers his time to Habitat for Humanity, showed us how the walls we put up needed to be "level" in relation to one another so the house wouldn't fall over. My vocabulary was enriched with what a "stud" really is (not a hot guy), where "OSB board" goes (although we never figured out what the letters stand for), what a "chalk line" is and how to snap one, and how things can be "over there yonder." I almost know all the words to the song "American Pie" since we sang it every morning on the way to our site.

I also learned the importance of teamwork. At the end of each day we would all stand back and imagine the first day, with only a portion of one wall raised. Compared to that, the four walls that we put up, and later the interior walls that existed, were awesome. We had put them up together.

At the end of every day, our reward was a shower and later food. Most of the evenings a local church (there are about 300 in Danville) would host us and seemed to take pleasure in cooking for 26 starving college stu-

dents. We were all more than grateful and amazed at the hospitality of the town. Also every morning the Habitat organizers would pray with us. With everyone holding hands, they thanked God for us dedicating our time to assist their organization. To me, it didn't feel like we deserved such good treatment. Going down to Virginia was like a vacation. No schoolwork, beautiful weather to work on my tan (or sunburn), being surrounded by friends, and doing construction work were all fun activities. I didn't miss being home. I kind of wish we were still there. I don't know what the big deal was. I was happy to be there and ready to drop out of school to do it for the rest of my life.

I also don't think the trip would have been the same without a diverse, goodhearted, and hardworking group of people. Senior Jess Kilian put together the whole thing - congratulations on organizing something that had such a positive impact on everyone who was involved. What may have been a simple thing to us, was a huge deal to everyone in Danville and the future homeowners. Everyone on the trip deserves more than just a pat on the back and a "good job," but once again, some things are just better left unsaid.

## The Bear Truth

Column by Heather Gurk

Over spring break, I caught the first half of a special on the Discovery Channel called "Raising the Mammoth." It chronicled a recent expedition led by a Siberian man who discovered tusks of what he believed to be a Woolly mammoth poking out from underneath Siberia's icy terrain.

The man and his team worked for weeks through ice storms and sub-zero temperatures towards a single goal: to raise the mammoth from its cavernous depths, as well as the ice that encased it, and transport it by helicopter to a place where the massive block could thaw and the mammoth could be examined. The dig was a grand success, despite the grueling obstacles the crew encountered along the way.

Woolly mammoths have been extinct for thousands of years. For whatever reason, the species was unable to survive the ice ages; perhaps its extinction can be chalked up to God's master plan. This thought was in the back of my mind as I watched the program, but it entered the forefront when the special switched the focus to a scientist in Hawaii, who apparently has great plans for the Woolly mammoth specimen.

Instead of simply raising the mammoth and preparing it for display in a wonders-of-the-world museum, it seems that the scientist (and others with comparatively sick minds) plans to extract thousand-year-old semen from the mammoth, impregnate an elephant, and one day spawn a fresh new breed of Woolly mammoth. In other words, they hope to clone the mammoth. The scientists realize that because the first offspring would be half elephant, half mammoth, it would take an estimated half century before a pure-bred mammoth could conceivably be born.

I am adamantly against the whole concept of cloning, but for medical purposes only, I can accept the idea of cloning mice and other small animals. But, I cannot think of a single way in which breeding a species that has been dead for millennia could possibly benefit the human race. Haven't scientists tampered with nature enough? Do we really need two-ton Woolly mammoths roaming the earth? To put that in perspective, that's two times the weight of an elephant, and something like one hundred and thirty times the weight of man.

Jurassic Park, anyone?

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# Church on Film

## OSCAR ODDS



**Jeff Church**  
A & E Editor

As usual, it's shaping up to be a politics-war again at the 72<sup>nd</sup> Academy Awards. I'm not saying that the nominated films are not excellent in any way. But when choosing the winner among the nominees, the victor usually wins by means other than being "the best film of 1999" (which was *Being John Malkovich*, by the way—I'm still bitter from its mere two nominations).

So here I'm going to lay out for you my predictions for who will win the award on March 26. I will give you who I think will win in italics and then who *should* win marked with an asterisk.

**Best Original Screenplay**  
**AMERICAN BEAUTY (ALAN BALL)** 6 TO 1  
**BEING JOHN MALKOVICH (CHARLIE KAUFMAN)\*** 5 TO 1  
**MAGNOLIA (PAUL THOMAS ANDERSON)** 10 TO 1  
**THE SIXTH SENSE (M. NIGHT SHYLANAN)** 50 TO 1  
**TOPSY-TURVY (MIKE LEIGH)** 10 TO 1

My top four films of 1999 appear in these nominees—kudos to the Academy for this one! This one is extremely difficult to predict—I'm crossing my fingers that *Malkovich* will get at least one nod for Kaufman's wonderful script.

**Best Adapted Screenplay**  
**THE CIDER HOUSE RULES (JOHN IRVING)\*** 2 TO 1  
**ELECTION (ALEXANDER PAYNE)** 50 TO 1  
**THE GREEN MILE (FRANK DARABONT)** 10 TO 1  
**THE INSIDER (ERIC ROTH & MICHAEL MANN)** 5 TO 1  
**TALENTED MR. RIPLEY (ANTHONY MINGHELLA)** 10 TO 1

John Irving spent years on the script for *The Cider House Rules*. A well established novelist of the late twentieth century, Irving is assured a win.

**Best Picture**  
**AMERICAN BEAUTY\*** 2 TO 1  
**THE CIDER HOUSE RULES** 3 TO 1  
**THE GREEN MILE** 10 TO 1  
**THE INSIDER** 20 TO 1  
**THE SIXTH SENSE** 50 TO 1

It's fairly close coming around the bend, but I think *American Beauty* has the slight advantage over *Cider House Rules* for the "crazy" reason that it's a better movie. Some academy members may be turned off from the dark, cynical look at suburban America that *Beauty* offers, but *Cider House* is, in some ways, equally destructive to conservative values—it concludes that morality is something that should be, on the whole, subjective.



Tobey Maguire in Lasse Hallstrom's *Cider House Rules*, [www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com)



*American Beauty*, frontrunner in the Best Picture Category, [www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com)

**Best Director**  
**LASSE HALSTROM (CIDER HOUSE RULES)** 10 TO 1  
**SPIKE JONZE (BEING JOHN MALKOVICH)\*** 3 TO 1  
**MICHAEL MANN (THE INSIDER)** 20 TO 1  
**SAM MENDES (AMERICAN BEAUTY)** EVEN  
**M. NIGHT SHYAMALAN (THE SIXTH SENSE)** 50 TO 1

Sam Mendes won the Screen Directors' Guild award for *American Beauty*, and that usually means he will win the oscar. Such a shame—the Academy, in its conservative politics, overlooks the explosively innovative director Spike Jonze and the great *Being John Malkovich*.

**Best Actor**  
**RUSSELL CROWE (THE INSIDER)** 10 TO 1  
**RICHARD FARNSWORTH (STRAIGHT STORY)** 10 TO 1  
**SEAN PENN (SWEET AND LOWDOWN)** 10 TO 1  
**KEVIN SPACEY (AMERICAN BEAUTY)** 2 TO 1  
**DENZEL WASHINGTON (THE HURRICANE)\*** 4 TO 1

All five nominees gave phenomenal performances. I personally think that Denzel Washington should take home the statue, but Spacey will probably win in an Oscar sweep of *American Beauty*. Washington's role is damaged as a result of the controversy surrounding the movie.

**Best Supporting Actor**  
**MICHAEL CAINE (CIDER HOUSE RULES)\*** 2 TO 1  
**TOM CRUISE (MAGNOLIA)** 3 TO 1  
**MICHAEL CLARKE DUNCAN (GREEN MILE)** 7 TO 1  
**JUDE LAW (THE TALENTED MR. RIPLEY)** 10 TO 1  
**HALEY JOEL OSMENT (THE SIXTH SENSE)** 5 TO 1

This one, along with Best Original Screenplay, are probably the most unpredictable. Each nominee was wonderful—Cruise as the wildly frantic sex guru, Duncan as the enormous angel, Law as the capricious rich boy, and Osment as the dead-people-seeing boy, the best young performance in a while. However, most visceral, I believe, was Caine.

**Best Actress**  
**ANNETTE BENING (AMERICAN BEAUTY)** 2 TO 1  
**JANET MCTEER (TUMBLEWEEDS)** 25 TO 1  
**JULIANNE MOORE (THE END OF THE AFFAIR)** 7 TO 1  
**MERYL STREEP (MUSIC OF THE HEART)** 25 TO 1  
**HILARY SWANK (BOYS DON'T CRY)\*** 5 TO 1

Good performances all around, but most academy voters haven't seen *Tumbleweeds*, *The End of The Affair*, or *Music of the Heart*. Hilary Swank gave a breathtakingly realistic performance as a hermaphrodite in *Boys Don't Cry*—something tells me the content of that movie will force the award to go to Bening. Too bad.

**Best Supporting Actress**  
**TONI COLLETTE (THE SIXTH SENSE)** 50 TO 1  
**ANGELINA JOLIE (GIRL INTERRUPTED)** 2 TO 1  
**CATHERINE KEENER (BEING MALKOVICH)\*** 5 TO 1  
**SAMANTHA MORTON (SWEET AND LOWDOWN)** 50 TO 1  
**CHLOE SEVIGNY (BOYS DON'T CRY)** 10 TO 1

Angelina Jolie won the Screen Actors' Guild award for her portrayal of a free-willed person in an asylum. Although she will probably win, the Academy will overlook the fiery control of Catherine Keener, the grace and simplicity of Samantha Morton, and the wide blue eyes of Chloe Sevigny.



# The Barto Hotel Jam Night

Jeremy Fox

Staff Writer

On Thursday, March 9, a myriad of local musicians gathered at the Barto Hotel, just off of Route 100, to participate in a long running weekly jam session. As always, the variety of distinct musical styles and backgrounds created an atmosphere of relaxed open-mindedness. As different combinations of musicians brought their talents to the forefront over the course of the evening, a cohesive blend of Blues, Country, and Rock was created. From the mandolin to the saxophone, all instruments were welcome.

Hosted by Wayne Johnston, formerly of the Johnston Brothers, this jam night has served as a creative outlet for local musi-

cians for the past several years. Johnston, who has dazzled many a listener with his guitar and harmonica virtuosity, caters to the style and influences of all who wish to participate. Few jammers have entered the Barto with a song in mind with which Wayne is unfamiliar. Backing him up last Thursday as part of the house band were Karl Frick on Bass and John Collevchio on drums.

This particular evening was made notable by the sharp contrast between the vocal stylings of local artist Steve Walker with his Grateful Dead-like mellowness and the bluesy rock of subsequent jammers. Armed with an acoustic guitar and folk harmonica, Walker's sound was undeniably smooth. He also incorporated a touch of jazz with a

rendition of "Sunny Side of the Street," a welcome addition to the evening's play list. Furthermore, it made Albert King's "Crosscut Saw," as played by the next group of participants, seem all the more "cutting."

This past Thursday, the Barto Hotel served as the location of a most fulfilling musical endeavor. However it was by no means a unique occurrence. Every week from 8pm to midnight, old friends and new comers alike are welcome to partake in the action at 140 Barto Road. Anyone interested in listening, jamming or both should certainly check it out. Bring your guitar, your glockenspiel, your banjo or your sousaphone. Above all, bring your appreciation for the great musical variety to which you will be treated.

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## Calendar of Events

## Collegeville Area

## March 21 - March 26

### Tuesday, March 21

10:00 a.m.  
**The Frog Prince** shows at the Ritz Theatre, 915 White Horse Pike in Oaklyn, 10 am today, Thursday, and Friday

6:30 p.m.  
S.U.N., Unity House

7:30 p.m.  
Davis Lecture, **Parker J. Palmer**, Olin Auditorium  
College Choir, Bomberger Auditorium

### Wednesday, March 22

12:00 p.m.  
Common Hour: **Parker J. Palmer**, Wismer Parents' Lounge

12:30 p.m.  
**Eating Disorders Awareness**, Olin 104

3:00 p.m.  
Baseball at Moravian, Bethlehem, Pa.

4:30 p.m.  
**Aerobics**, Helfferich Dance Room

5:30 p.m.  
Spanish Table, Faculty/Staff Dining Room

Japanese Table, Faculty/

Staff Dining Room  
7:00 p.m.

U.C. **Blue Skies**, Wismer Parents' Lounge  
**Marine Biology 330 Mandatory Meeting**, Thomas 210

The world premier of **Between Men and Cattle**, by Richard Kalinoski, staged by the InterAct Theatre Company shows at the Adrienne, 2030 Sansom Street. Runs through April 9.

8:00 p.m.  
**Queensryche** plays at the Electric Factory, 7th and Willow Street.

9:00 p.m.  
**Literary Society**, Zwingli Java Trench

**Intersivity Christian Fellowship** at Ursinus, Wismer Parents' Lounge

9:30 p.m.  
**Orientation Information Session**, Wismer Lower lounge

### Thursday, March 23

11:00 a.m.  
**Job Opportunity**: First Union, Wismer Lobby A

3:00 p.m.  
**Softball** at Gwynedd-Mercy (doubleheader)

**Baseball** vs. Delaware Valley, Ursinus Baseball Field

**Tennis** at Haverford College, Haverford, Pa.

4:00 p.m.  
**Career Workshop**: Planning Your Internship, Pfahler 106

4:15 p.m.  
Baden Faculty Lecture: **Gerard Fitzpatrick**, Olin 108

6:00 p.m.  
**Aerobics**, Helfferich Dance Room

**Upsilon Phi Delta**, Wismer Parents' Lounge

7:00 p.m.  
**Women's Lacrosse** at College of New Jersey

8:00 p.m.  
**The Boston Brass** performs at Thomas Great Hall in Bryn Mawr College, 101 N. Merion Ave, Bryn Mawr.

### Friday, March 24

7:15 a.m.  
**Aerobics**, Helfferich Dance Room

9:00 p.m.  
**Warren Zevon**, singer-songwriter, performs at the Theatre of Living Arts, 334 South

### Saturday, March 25

11:00 a.m.  
**Track & Field** at Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pa.

12:00 p.m.  
**Baseball** vs. Stockton (doubleheader), Ursinus Baseball Field

1:00 p.m.  
**Softball** vs. Dickinson (doubleheader), Ursinus Softball Field

**Women's Tennis** at Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pa.

**Women's Lacrosse** at Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, Pa.

8:00 p.m.  
**Meistersingers** Concert, Bomberger Auditorium

Movie: "**Notting Hill**," Wismer Lower Lounge

Jazz Saxophonist **Sonny Rollins**

performs at the Keswick Theatre in Glenside

**David Tanenbaum** plays classical guitar at the Philadelphia Ethical Society, 1906 S. Rittenhouse Square

### Sunday, March 26

11:00 a.m.  
**Ecumenical Service**: The Rev. Charles Rice, Bomberger Auditorium

4:00 p.m.  
Heefner Organ Recital: **Peter Richard Conte**, Bomberger Auditorium

6:00 p.m.  
**Mass**, Olin Auditorium

7:00 p.m.  
**Winter Sports Dessert**, Wismer Lower Lounge

**Gospel Choir**, Bomberger 226

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**Wednesday, March 22, 2000**  
**Olin Auditorium, 7:30**



# Lacrosse Prepares for Repeat Title Hopes

**Sue Patton**

*Staff Writer*

The weather in Florida was great from the moment the Ursinus lacrosse team stepped off the plane, which was a great change considering the two days before they were playing in sleet and snow. Practices normally began with a morning run and a two hour practice and then about a two hour practice in the afternoon. Two days out of the week were committed to round-robin tournaments in which the team competed in four 20 minute games in the morning, and two 30 minute games in the evening. The Bears saw some tough competition against Boston, Temple and St. Joseph's Universities as well as the Scottish National team. Out of the 12 games the Bears participated in during the week, they only suffered losses to three teams.

Coach Reilly ended the week by asserting that the team has never looked so ready for a season. All in all, it was a great week, and a preview of the success is yet to come.

"Each year Coach Carrie has been here we have steadily improved. Seeing our past improvement gives us the confidence that we can and will be better than before," senior Ashley Claus said. "We know what is expected of us, we know where we left off, and we know the extra effort it will take to step it up that next level."

That success began this past Sat. March 18 when the Bears took on Neumann College. Neumann was coming off a winning streak in which they shut out one team and scored over or around 20 goals every game.

Within the first minute the Bears scored the first goal, four more immediately followed before Neumann could score their first one. The Bears were unstoppable on defense as sophomore Diane Elia made some shocking interceptions and clean checks.

"I think everyone was so pumped that it was finally time for our first game that we all just couldn't wait to get out there. We were a little too excited in the first half and dropped a few passes, but we settled down in the second half and did a lot better," sophomore Erin Fitzgerald said.

Sophomore Jen Hess made her debut as goalie and proved that she had what it takes to keep Neumann from entering her territory. Hess only allowed three goals. Senior tri-captain Kristin Calore wreaked havoc on the field as she scored four goals and made great transitions on defense. Sophomores Erin Fitzgerald and Leigh Voigt added four goals a piece. Jaime Matty had one goal and three assists, while Ashley Claus had two goals for the Bears. Madeline Dunphy, Diane Elia, Andrea Patey and Melissa Martynenko each scored one goal putting the Bears past Neumann 19-3.

The Bears will travel to face The College of New Jersey this Thurs., March 24, at 7 pm.

"Thursday should be a tough game but it will be great to see how we match up. I know if we play with composure we can definitely show The College of New Jersey who the champions are going to be this year," Claus stated.

They are looking for a win after last years devastating loss against the Lions.



Senior tri-captain Kristen Calore charges down the field looking to pass to an open teammate as the Bears trampled Neumann 19-3.

*Staff photo by Erny Hoke*

## Golf Team Looking to Capture CC Title

*Team traveled to Pinehurst, North Carolina for Spring Break to practice for upcoming competition. Bears hope to repeat 96' season*

returning players blend in along with the freshmen and sophomores. If everyone plays up to the potential of their abilities, there is no reason that this cannot be a repeat of 1997.

After posting an 11-2 record and a third place finish, the Bears ended last season with a sour taste in their mouths - a taste that has them hungry to come back at the top of the conference.

Returning to aid Bishop in the quest for the title is fellow senior Dan Schott along with juniors Bill Van Sant and Dave Fisher. Each of these four players had respectable seasons last year. Bishop was named to the All-Conference team and finished second in the CC Championships.

"We feel that we've been working hard and are ready to compete for the Conference title," Fisher said.

Another highlight from last season was Van Sant's second place finish in the Moravian Tournament.

The Bears open their season at home on March 29 with a dual match against Fairleigh Dickinson University and Delaware Valley College.

**Luther Owens**

*Staff Writer*

It has been two long years since the glorious 1997 season when the Ursinus College Golf team went undefeated and won the Centennial Conference Championship. This year's squad is optimistic and feel that they are up for the challenge.

Senior Rob Bishop was an all-conference performer during the 1997 championship run and feels that this is the Bears' year to return to prominence.

"We have a very good chance to win the conference," Bishop said. "The talent is here."

The key is going to be how well



UC Lacrosse Team

*Staff photo by Erny Hoke*



## Softball Off to Commanding Start of Season

**Diane Johnson**

*ports Editor*

Ursinus Softball team traveled to Salem, Virginia on March 17-18 for the Ferrum College Invitational. Throughout the two days of triple headers, the Bears finished 4-2.

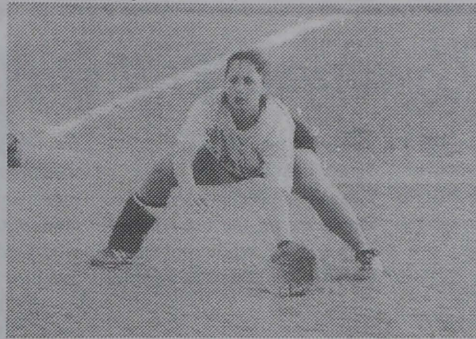
The Bears challenged Randolph-Macon on Friday with 16 hits. Junior Kelly Meyer had 9 while her fellow teammates juniors Courtney Quinones and Jody Smith both added three. Senior Lisa Newmaster, freshman Jenn Prendiville and sophomore Sue Sobolewski each contributed with two hits to put the bears ahead 14-2 for the final score.

UC shut out Southern Virginia 8-0. Freshman Denise Bozenski led the Bears with a two hit shutout. Prendiville hit her second home run.

In Friday's final game, the Bears met their match as

they suffered a 5-4 loss against Averett. Freshman Jess Troutman and Jody Smith each had 2 RBI, and Newmaster took the loss.

On Saturday, March 18, the Bears beat Roanoke the



18th ranked team in the Atlantic Region. Newmaster struck out five while Prendiville was 2 for 3 with a walk and one run scored.

The Bears trampled past Emory & Henry 10-2. Bozenski and sophomore Kristen Kinelski only allowed seven hits for E & H. Quinones, Sobolewski, senior Jill Fennimore, and Nicole Erdosy added two hits a piece for the Bears.

The Bears advanced on to the championship game of the tournament where they suffered a 3-2 loss to the Lycoming College Warriors. Smith and senior Kara Johnson each brought in runs for the Bears, while and Soboleski was 2 for 3 with a run scored.

"Unfortunately, we lost the championship game but it was not because of lack of skill," commented sophomore Allison Vasta. "We are working so hard together towards the same goal and that is going to lead to our success this season."

The Bears (12-4) are currently ranked fourth in the East region and will take on Gwynedd Mercy away on Thursday, March 23 at 3 pm.

## Spring is Here, and the UC Bats are Swinging

**Erny Hoke**

*Features/Photography Editors*

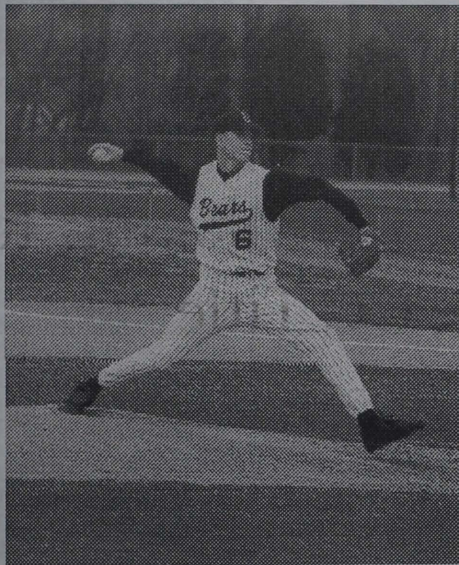
Over Spring Break the Ursinus Baseball and Softball teams travelled to Florida for their annual "Spring Training". In Cocoa, the guys combined great pitching performances with solid hitting to jump out to a 7-2 season. Meanwhile in Orlando, the softball team compiled a record of 8-2, behind its own stellar pitching and exploding offense.

Seniors Kyle Goldwater (2-0), Matt Wiatrak (2-0), and John Hollinger (1-1) led the pitching efforts for the Bears. Offensively, juniors Mike Ottey (.474), Jeff Ritschel (.450), Richie Barrett (.414), and sophomore Ryan Smith (.600) walloped the ball at the plate.

Senior Lisa Newmaster (4-0) and junior Kelly Meyer (2-0) compiled a record of 6-0 in Florida to lead the Bears on the mound. Sophomore Sue Sobolewski (.556), senior Lisa Newmaster (.500), freshman Jess Troutman (.467), and junior Kelly Meyer (.433) attacked the ball while earning top hitting statistics for the trip. Coach Don Groff attained his 200th coaching victory as the Bears toppled nationally ranked Mt. Union.

The Baseball and Softball teams' schedules are now in full swing as they strive for Centennial Conference perfection.

*Staff Photos By Erny Hoke/Scott McCoy*



## Baseball Tops Widener in Home Opener, 8-4

UC begins season, 8-3 as they look to repeat as Centennial Conference Champs

**Erny Hoke**

*Features/Photography Editors*

The Bears were back in action in the northeast as they took on Elizabethtown (7-3) and Widener (7-3) on March 15th and 16th.

UC fell 5-4 to Elizabethtown after a four-run comeback in the eighth inning. Senior Matt Wiatrak (2-1) picked up the loss on the mound. Juniors Richie Barrett and Mike Ottey, and sophomore Ryan Smith each belted out two hits in the game.

In the home-opener, the Bears were victorious over Widener 8-4. Senior Kyle Goldwater (3-0) scattered



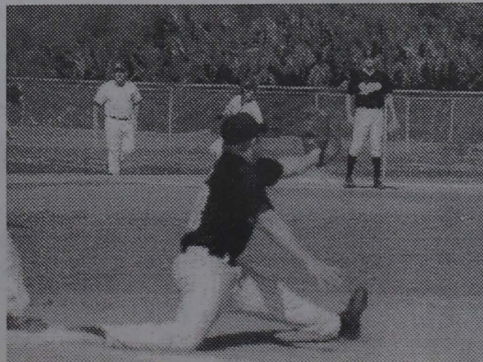
five hits, three of which were homeruns, while striking-out six. Junior Mark Toto belted a homerun, triple, and single in the game. Barrett stayed hot as he added three hits of his own. Ottey and junior Jeff Ritschel complimented the scoring with two RBIs each.

"The team started off real well in Florida. We are now coming together even more as a team. The underclassmen are stepping up and providing depth to our already strong line-up," added Toto.

The JV team was in action on Monday as they bested MontCo 7-6. Freshman Rob Albert picked up his second victory of the season with the win.

UC is currently ranked seventh in the Mid-Atlantic Region, as they slipped out of the pre-season TOP 30.

The Bears play at Moravian (3pm) on Wednesday and then return home for DelVal (3pm) on Thursday and a doubleheader with Stockton on Saturday (12noon).





# UC SPORTS PAGE



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## Injury-Stricken Gymnasts Pull Out Third at ECAC's

### Ursinus qualifies for National Championships

**Stephanie Restine**  
Editor-in Chief

On Sat. March 11, the Ursinus gymnastics team brought home third place at the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Women's Gymnastics Championships. Tallying 142.375 points during the competition at MIT, Ursinus fell to Ithaca (145.650) and Springfield (143.175), while defeating Cortland, RIC, MIT, Wilson, and Brockport by large margins.

The top four finishers at

ECAC's (Ithaca, Springfield, Ursinus, and Cortland) automatically qualified for the NCGA Championships at Springfield College on March 24-26.

Sophomore Christina Ng was the top finisher from Ursinus, taking sixth place all-around with a 35.450 and winning the balance beam competition with a 9.450.

Freshman Desiree Yuhasz continued to shine, bringing home fifth place for the Bears on the balance beam (9.200). Yuhasz also had the top

score for the UC team on the vault (9.100).

Freshman Melanie White led the Bears on the uneven bars with a 8.975, while sophomore Jumaah Johnson was awarded

for Nationals at ECAC's, the meet was not void of disappointment. During the floor exercise competition, freshman Reyna Hochstedler suffered a badly sprained ankle after over-rotating a tumbling pass. On the following event, Johnson brutally twisted her ankle while dismounting the vault.

"Jumaah's ankle was severely sprained and had to be casted. Unfortunately, it looks like she's done for the season," stated athletic trainer Regina Dain. "Reyna's ankle was also sprained,

but she's in a good position to compete at Nationals."

"We definitely had to pull hard to get through the meet," re-

marked White, "but we're really excited about Nationals."

Ursinus will take on the best of the East and the West in Division III Gymnastics on March 24-26 at NCGA Championships.

"We definitely had to pull hard to get through the meet, but we're really excited about Nationals."

-Freshman Melanie White

the UC high score on the floor exercise with a 9.000.

Although the squad reached its season long goal of qualifying

### Track & Field Jump Starts Spring Season

**Diane Johnson**  
Sports Editor

The Track and Field team officially started practice March 15 for the spring season. Under the direction of coaches John Marshall and Ibrain Medina the team has been preparing in the off season for some tough competition.

"We've been training hard as a team to push one another to excel. We can't wait to compete in the conference. Our team is really young, but we show a lot of promise. I think we will do well against the competition," junior Andrea Lister said.

The team opens their season on Sat. March 26, at Swarthmore College.

## Sports Profile of the Week: Taryn Brackin

**Andy Owens**  
Staff Writer

**Year:** Senior

**Major/Minor:** Psychology major, Coaching minor

**Sport:** Lacrosse

**What she has accomplished:**

- Preseason All-American
- Tri-captain
- Last season-2nd team All-American by U.S. Lacrosse, Inc.

-3rd team All-American by Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches' Association

-second leading scorer with 30 goals and 43 points for the Ursinus Bears

**What her teammates say:**

Sue Patton, sophomore: "Taryn is a great leader on and off the field. Everyone admires her talent and looks up to her as a coach on the field."

**Favorite class at Ursinus:** Psychology 100

**"In the next few years..."**

"I would like to become a high school counselor. Also, I would like to have the opportunity to be involved in one way or another with the lacrosse team."

**"Ten years from now..."**

"I don't have any real complicated plans. I think that I will be happy with a husband, a couple of kids, and a comfortable income."



Senior tri-captain  
Taryn Brackin

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BASEBALL	SOFTBALL	LACROSSE	TRACK AND FIELD	TENNIS
UC wins 8-4 against Widener	Finished 4-2 at Ferrum Invitational; Salem, VA	UC wins over Neumann 19-3	First Spring meet at Swarthmore on March 25	Men's team at Haverford on March 23
Bears at Moravian March 22	Lady Bears at Gwynedd-Mercy on March 23	Travel to face TCNJ on March 23		Women's team at Swarthmore March 25