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## Six Months After 9/11: Has America Really Changed?

Kate Juliano  
Grizzly Staff Writer

From the time the first plane hit the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, life in this country and the world has never been the same. People began to question their own safety in their homes and on airplanes. Rumors were flying about the possibility of future terrorist attacks. President Bush was being pulled in so many directions, no one knew what his next course of action would be. And an entire country that at one time had seemed like such a powerful and intimidating giant, was suddenly reduced to a vulnerable and frightened child.

My generation, comprised of college students, began to realize that as authoritative as the United States may have seemed in the past, our country was certainly not as invincible as we would like to believe.

Six months ago, several blocks of New York City were buried under piles of rubble and debris. Six months ago, rescue workers were still searching for missing bodies and uncovering countless others who had been crushed by the severe weight of the collapsed towers. Six months ago, people were trying to figure a way out of the chaos, tension and FEAR that had gripped this country by its heartstrings.

For the people in New York, such as Mel Cummings of Brooklyn, the feeling of uneasiness will never go away. He says, "There's no going back to normal... We'll always have this in the back of our mind, always be on edge over what can happen in a split second."

An anonymous poem at one of the shrines created as a memorial to victims lost in the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks reads:

As the soot and ash rained down,  
We became one color.  
As we carried each other down  
the stairs of the burning building,

We became one class.  
As we lit candles of waiting and hope,  
We became one generation.

Yet do these feelings of nationalism and American patriotism still exist six months after the fact? Here is exactly what has changed in this country since the "Attack on America":

\*\*The federal government's budget and image—Americans' trust in the government to do the right thing has jumped from 31% (pre-attacks) to 55% (after attacks) according to a CBS poll

\*\*Security measures in airports, government buildings and venues around the country

\*\*The lives of nearly 1.4 million people in the military, including more than 78,000 abruptly called for duty

\*\*Obviously, the fates of the victims, their families and friends.

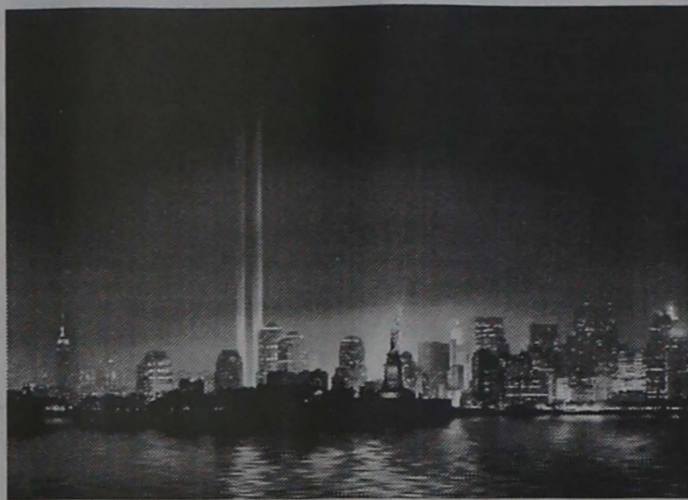
Although the four observations above could be signaling a permanent change of pace for this country, the road ahead is long and bumpy. Once again, Republicans drives have dropped to the levels they were at before the attacks.

people died in Manhattan, the Pentagon and Pennsylvania.

Earlier that morning in Battery Park, a giant steel and bronze sphere weighing 22 tons that had once sat atop a granite fountain in a plaza at the foot of the towers, was dedicated as a shrine to the dead. While the tremendous sphere is noticeably dented and smashed, Governor George Pataki is quoted as declaring it a metaphor for New York's spirit: "It is damaged, but not destroyed."

As Marian Fontana, widow of Dave, a Brooklyn firefighter who died on 9/11 said reflectively, "There's a gaping hole in my heart. But it was nice to see that empty sky being filled by something."

Six months later, has that hole in all of our hearts been filled with the superficial but often usual concerns of daily routines? Or is there still that drum of patriotism beating away? Remember how you felt on that day and what you vowed to change in your own life: Don't lose sight of it, no matter how "normal" you might feel.



and Democrats are fighting over policies like alley cats over tuna fish cans.

It's almost as if the genuine display of wartime unity and bipartisanship seen just six months ago, never occurred. As for Americans being charitable, rates for activities like volunteering, blood donations and clothing and food

with almost typical passenger miles back to where they were as well.

Earlier this month, 12-year-old Valerie Webb whose father, a police officer, died in the terrorist attacks flicked a switch that sent two beams of light skyward, marking where the World Trade Center towers once stood. The tribute marked six months since over 3,000

### From the Dean's Office Valedictorian and Salutatorian Announced for 2002

The Dean's Office is proud to announce the valedictorian and salutatorian of the Class of 2002. The valedictorian is Alicia Morgans who attended Exeter Township Senior High School in Reading, PA. Alicia is a double major in Spanish and biology. She has been an R.A. since her sophomore year, and is currently a residence life intern.

Alicia is a leadership scholar; her project is "Friends for Life" in which Ursinus students visit patients in Reading Hospital. She is also a member of Whittians, Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Sigma Iota, Beta Beta Beta, and the Pre-Med Society, and a recipient of a Howard Hughes Medical Institute Summer Fellowship. She plays the piccolo and the flute.

Alicia has twice taken advantage of the opportunity to study abroad while a student at Ursinus College. She utilized her knowledge of Spanish in Mexico on both trips. Alicia is also an active biological researcher; she spent one summer at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School studying preventative cardiology and a second summer researching HIV.

In partial fulfillment of the requirements for honors in biology, Alicia is investigating the evolution of a clonally reproducing species of fish from Nova Scotia. Her work has implications for our understanding of evolutionary processes at high geographical latitudes.

Alicia will attend medical school in the fall to become a physician who is active in both clinical care and medical research.

The salutatorian is Lucas Dennis. Lucas graduated from Palisades High School in Upper Black Eddy, PA. He was a resident assistant in his sophomore and junior years. He has been an active peer mentor and tutor. Lucas is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, a Barry Goldwater scholar, and a Rhodes Scholarship State Finalist.

Lucas spent two summers as an intern associate at Merck Research Laboratories in Rahway, N.J. His research at Merck was in the field of biochemistry; he studied the pathway by which an anti-fungal compound is produced. Lucas is also conducting honors research in biology.

He is studying the genetic relationships among the species of marine bacteria that are small enough to pass through 0.1 or 0.2 micron filters. These tiny organisms are known to have a very important role in marine ecosystems, but their systematic relationships are not well understood. Lucas's study of their genes will add to our understanding of these important organisms at the base of the food chain. Lucas plans to enter the doctoral program in biology at MIT in the fall.

Please join the Dean's Office in congratulating Alicia and Lucas and the entire spectacular class of 2002!

## The Ursinus Hillel Celebrates Passover

Eli Goldstein  
Special to the Grizzly

Every year, on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Nissan, Jews worldwide commemorate the birth of the Jewish nation by celebrating Passover. After 210 years of slavery in Egypt, Moses told Pharaoh that he must "Let My People Go." Each time Pharaoh refused to release the Israelites, God brought another plague upon the Egyptians. The tenth and final plague was the death of firstborn children.

In executing this plague, God passed through the land of Egypt, but "passed over" Jewish homes. Thus, the holiday is called Passover. The Israelites were then released from bondage. But the Israelites only truly became free when, 50 days after the Exodus, they accepted the Torah from God

at Mount Sinai. Thus, the Jewish nation was born. Every Passover, we are commanded to tell the *Passover story*.

The Passover Seder:

On Passover, Jews all over the world conduct a Passover Seder. Given that Passover is the most widely observed Jewish holiday and that all family members participate in the Seder, there is a special feeling during the Passover Seder of belonging to a Jewish community that is familial and global, historically-bound and spiritually-bound, and unique in religious beliefs and practices.

*Seder* means order, organization and the Passover Seder is a festive meal that is conducted in an organized way so that all the mitzvot (commandments) of Pesach will be performed. The Torah commands Jews on Passover to tell the

story of the Exodus and to eat matzah.

According to the rabbis, on Passover Jews must eat bitter herbs (to remind them of the Israelites' suffering), eat extra matzah called afikoman (to remind them of the Passover sacrifice), recite Hallel (psalms of praise), drink four cups of wine, and demonstrate acts of freedom such as sitting with a pillow.

*Haggadah*, which means "to narrate," is a special book used for the Seder service. The Haggadah contains the story of the Exodus from Egypt, explanations of symbolic objects on the Seder table, prayers, psalms, and Passover songs. It also contains 15 words, written as a rhyme, that trace the order of the Seder.

On Monday March 25, 2002,

Hillel the Jewish Organization, held their annual Passover Seder in Wismer Parents' Lounge. Thanks to the hard work and immense effort of Danielle Leshaw and Ari Nepon the Hillel Seder was a huge success. The Seder was the biggest Ursinus Hillel has ever had, over 25 people were in attendance. The evening was not only filled with good food, but also provided a wealth of knowledge for all who attended.

Greg Striano attended the Seder and said "It was a very educational, and an enjoyable experience. I look forward to attending next year seder". Many students like Greg felt the same way.

The Ursinus Hillel is a growing organization that will be making much more noise in the months to come. So keep your eyes and ears open for new Hillel events.

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## Post Traumatic Stress Disorder On the Rise

Sarah Ewald  
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It has been over six months since September 11. For many people, the past six months have been a chance to heal and return to a normal routine.

That is not the case for others who are suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) brought on by the tragic events that occurred that day.

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, according to [www.mentalhealth.com](http://www.mentalhealth.com), is the emotional distress one experiences after a experiencing or witnessing a traumatic event.

Symptoms of this disorder include but are not limited to difficulty falling or staying asleep, irritability or outbursts of anger, difficulty concentrating, hypervigilance, or exaggerated startle response.

These symptoms may not appear until a month after the experienced trauma, but they are very real and can have a serious impact on one's life.

For many people living in New York City, it takes as little as a loud city truck or a car backfiring to startle them and bring back painful memories of September 11.

"Loud noises are one stimuli of what [people who experienced Sept. 11 firsthand] went through. They know what it is but they still react with the same internal reaction," said Russell J. Korman, associate director of the post-traumatic stress disorder program at the Rutgers University Anxiety Disorder Clinic.

Korman added, "They won't say 'Oh my God it's another terrorist

attack,' but it comes back to that hypersensitivity and a loud noise just stimulates that anxiety all over again."

Since the attacks, the amount of people in New York City seeking counseling sessions has risen by more than 20% according to a Columbia University study.

In fact, according to Sara Kugler at [www.canoe.ca](http://www.canoe.ca), "The Center for Mental Health Services estimates that 1.5 million New Yorkers will eventually need counseling for terror-induced psychological problems."

New Yorkers are not the only people experiencing symptoms of PTSD.

Family members who knew someone in the World Trade Centers can also display by symptoms of PTSD.

People all over the country were affected by the events that occurred on September 11. Just the simple act of watching the media coverage of the event all throughout the day could be enough to affect a person.

A way that the traumatic event can be re-experienced is by recurrent and intrusive distressing recollections of the event, including images, thoughts, or perceptions.

If someone watched the scenes of the plane crashing into the buildings over and over again, the image would become imprinted into his or her mind. Watching such images repeatedly could bring back memories or emotions about what happened.

Individuals experiencing symptoms of PTSD should seek counseling, as the disorder is treatable.

Susan Goll  
Grizzly Copy Editor

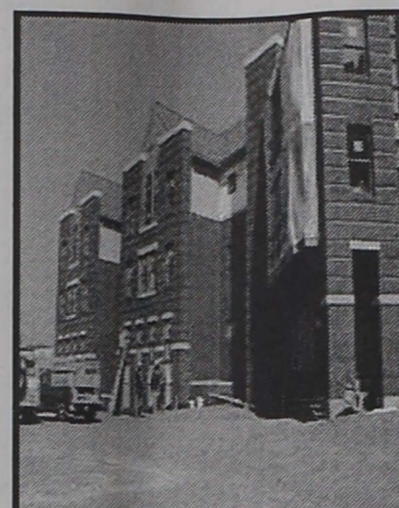
It's that time of year again: time for students to think about where they will call "home" next year.

The Residence Life Office and Room Lottery and Selection Advisory Committee are busy gearing up for Room Lottery and Selection 2002, scheduled to begin on Monday, April 8. With less than two weeks left before students select residency for the 2002-2003 academic year, it is important to know what is new and different regarding this year's Room Lottery and Selection.

Perhaps the most exciting news in housing is the opening of North Hall. The state-of-the-art dormitory will offer 143 additional beds in the form of 40 doubles, 35 singles, and seven suites. North Hall will provide extensive lounge space, impressive windows and many bathroom facilities.

Excited about the opportunity to live in the new dorm, junior Vincent Catania commented "It will be nice to be one of the first residents to enjoy the large rooms. I look forward to living in a suite with new furniture." The suites consist of a double, two singles, a common

room and bathroom. Two additional new housing options will exist for students next



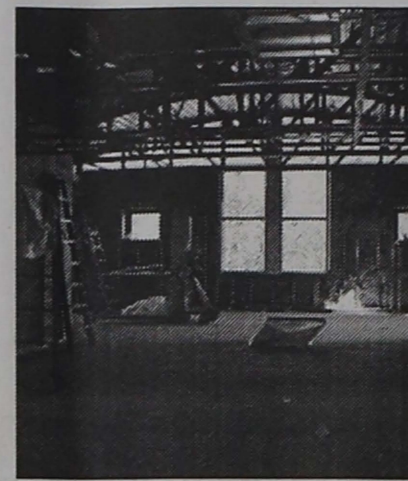
year. The duplex of 30/32 Sixth Avenue offers nine singles for females. The apartments at 201 Ninth Avenue will also remain open, providing four apartments for students and one Resident Assistant.

With the opening of North Hall and the addition of 143 beds on campus comes the closing of several campus houses. Students currently living in 942 and 944 Main, 200 and 325 Ninth Avenue, and 33 Sixth Avenue will be awarded displaced status, as their

residences will not be open for the 2002-2003 school year.

Other new initiatives in Residence Life include the conversion of Shreiner Hall from a women's only to a coed house. The Art House program will be moved into the Barbershop beginning in the fall. In addition, several common areas are being opened up in various houses, including Clamer, Musser, and Olevian Halls.

The continuing movement toward freshmen clustering also extends into next year's housing



plans. Beardwood, Paisley, and Stauffer Halls will be open exclusively to freshmen beginning in the fall, allowing no squatters rights

for current residents. Upperclassmen residing in singles will be awarded displaced status in upcoming room lottery.

The majority of rooms in Brodbeck, Wilkinson, and Curtis Halls will also be designated for freshmen next year, with the exception of the singles in Brodbeck and Curtis basement and Wilkinson.

These initiatives come in part from the Room Lottery and Selection Advisory Committee, comprised of over a dozen students ranging from freshmen to juniors. The committee formed in the fall semester and has met weekly during the current semester to discuss changes in Residence Life. The committee's decisions are reflected in the Room Lottery and Selection 2002 Guide, which was published and distributed to each student.

To learn more about Room Lottery and Selection, refer to the guide published by Residence Life. Contact your Resident Assistant, House Coordinator or the Residence Life staff.

## Omega Chi Blood Drive A Huge Success

Quinn Dinsmore  
Grizzly Staff Writer

Six months ago, hundreds of thousands of people rushed to donate blood after the terrorist attacks of September 11. Now, with communities across the United States facing blood shortages, the generosity of Ursinus students truly means the difference between life and death.

Almost a hundred students rolled up their sleeves to donate last week when the American Red Cross held its annual spring blood drive in Wismer Lower Lounge. Krissy Swartz, president of the sponsoring sorority Omega Chi, reported

92 pints of blood were collected. Components of that blood can save the lives of over 450 patients.

Ursinus has a long tradition of supporting blood drives every semester, particularly with the Red Cross through the efforts this year of Omega Chi. The women sponsored last October's successful drive. Once again last week, the sisters signed up donors, assisted in room set-up, and were present throughout the donation hours to help students register and recover after donating.

Omega Chi has promised to do the drive next year so students have a convenient opportunity for

community service. Swartz remarked, "Having a drive right here gives students a chance to help without leaving campus. I'm pleased with the success and want to thank all who donated."

Finding willing donors was not a problem at Ursinus, but the Red Cross is in dire need of blood. The nation's overwhelming response after the September 11 tragedy has dropped dramatically. Only five percent of eligible donors give blood every year but every two seconds, a transfusion is needed in this area alone.

In light of the demand, veteran blood donors who come every se-

son and some first-time volunteers conquered their fears to give a life-saving gift. Megan Resti admitted, "This was my first time and I was really scared. But the feeling I got afterwards was worth it."

John Wesley once wrote, "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you can." The success of the recent blood drive seems to be another example of Ursinus students living that cre-

## First Ursinus Watson Fellow: Aaron Ranck to Study Agrarian Life

U.C Communications Press Release

Ursinus senior Aaron Ranck can't forget the first time he delivered a calf, and he knows that the sputter of a field tractor engine means the plow is in too deep. But, farming, to Ranck, is more than the daily routine on his family farm: It is about how farming relates to larger world.

As the first ever Ursinus College student to be named a Watson Fellow, and one of 60 nationwide, Ranck will soon discover what the agrarian life he knew in Lancaster, PA, has in common with agrarian life around the world. His project titled, "Cultivating the Earth: Agrarian Life in Brazil, Jordan, and Tanzania," was selected from some 1,000 proposals by the Thomas J. Watson Foundation.

"Ultimately," he said, "I want to make cross-cultural comparisons that will enrich my own understanding of farming and its role in various societies."

The Foundation, based in Provi-

dence, RI, gives college graduates of unusual promise the freedom to engage in a year of independent study abroad following their graduation. The program provides Fellows with \$22,000 and an opportunity for a "focused and disciplined wanderjahr" to thoroughly explore a particular interest.

Eligibility is limited to students at a select group of 50 liberal arts colleges. Ursinus recently joined Bryn Mawr, Haverford, and Swarthmore colleges as the only Pennsylvania colleges to be members of the Watson group. Sixty Fellows are chosen from three or four finalists from each school.

The award, according to Dean Judith Levy, carries with it not only the honor, but a unique opportunity for the student, a Watson Fellowship is a once in a lifetime opportunity with tremendous transformational potential," she said. "While the application process itself is meaningful and valuable for

students in fostering self-reflection and self-knowledge, the opportunity to spend a year abroad engaged in a project of one's own design is life altering."

"For the College, the award of a Watson Fellowship to one of our students is wonderful recognition for our success in fostering student achievement and individual development."

Ranck, who grew up on a dairy farm in Lancaster, PA, said that his rural boyhood pushed him "to accept challenges as a way of life," and his agricultural background is the core of his proposal. Farmers worldwide face some of the same issues, he points out, including nitrogen pollution and nutrient management plans, generational land transmission, and the success or failure of government programs designed to sustain farming. He plans to live with a village family in Shirati, on the shores of Lake Victoria, Tanzania, where he will "seek to compare the life of

farmers' children with my own life as a 'farm boy,' looking for similarities and differences in their way of life," he said.

Ranck also plans to travel to the Al-Ghour region of Jordan and plans to live in a farm colony in Brazil in the state of Parana, a crop-farming community.

No stranger to traveling, Ranck spent his junior year studying abroad in the Middle East, after becoming intensely interested in Middle Eastern politics and history through a freshman liberal studies course. His research continued as a Summer Fellow at Ursinus, as a part of his senior thesis.

Ranck will join more than 2,200 Watson Fellows since the program was begun in 1968 by the children of Thomas J. Watson Sr., the founder of the IBM Corp., and his wife, Jeanette K. Watson, to honor their parents' longstanding interest in education and world affairs.

# OPINION

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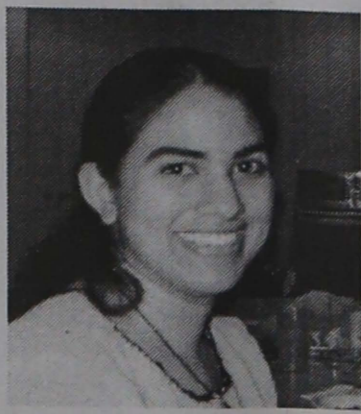
## Students On Campus Should UC give us time off for Easter? Why or why not?

Nicole Gaughan  
Grizzly Writer



Yes, because it's nice for people who live far away. Not getting any time off for Easter makes it very hard to be able to go home for the holiday.

Cassie Stewart, '04



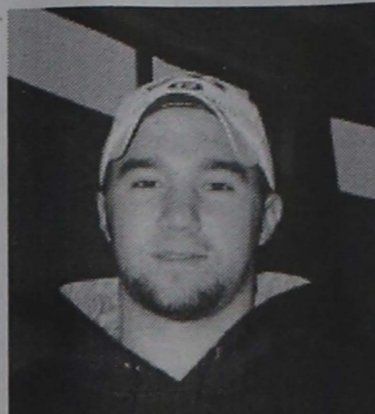
Yes, because of the distance issue. I live pretty far away, so going home is not very easy.

Violet Fernandes, '04



Yes, because professors are lenient anyway that week. Students don't do work anyway, just like if there was a break.

Nour Moghrabi, '02



Yes, because they give us so much damn time off for Christmas and Spring Break. They might as well.

Bob Gray, '04



Yes, because it's an important time to be with your friends and family to share the holiday.

Mike Castigliona, '04



Yes. We should at least get Monday off so when I have a stomachache from eating too much candy, I have a day to recover.

Ryan Cunningham, '02

## Do Greek Organizations Foster "Group Think?"

Dr. Rebecca Jaroff  
Adviser to the Grizzly

The editors of *The Grizzly* have asked me to contribute a faculty member's point of view regarding Greek organizations on campus. Evidently, some students feel that the faculty, in general, is opposed to the presence of sororities and fraternities on campus, or, at least, view them as mostly social organizations that serve as little more than an excuse for students to party. In addition, there seems to be speculation that the administration and faculty, if they support Greeks at all, favor a campus-wide transition from local to national organizations. While I am not in the position to address either of these assumptions directly, to my knowledge the faculty holds no majority opinion on either of these matters. Nevertheless, I would like to take this opportunity to point out certain discrepancies between particular practices associated with Greek organizations and the overall mission of those who teach at a liberal arts institution. For the most part, I will base my comments and observations on my own experiences as a member of a sorority on the Ursinus campus in the late 1970s.

So let's be honest. Whether you call it "pledging," as they did in my undergraduate days, or "new member education," going Greek necessitates that the inductee become indoctrinated into the group. This "welcoming" by an exclusive organization requires, to varying degrees of severity, relinquishing one's individual status and personal value system to those of the larger body. In essence, it involves participating in what social scientists call "group think." The majority of people probably recognize the obvious benefits of joining a group—be it religious, civic, or private. One gains a feeling of belonging, shares in traditions and long-time practices, and cherishes the possibility of personal, political, and/or spiritual growth. However, with all of these possible chances to expand as a person, come potential, sometimes dangerous, limitations. Perhaps more importantly, joining a group often inhibits the individual member's ability to think or act according to his or her principles. Very often, members of groups who disagree with certain practices will not even voice their objections. And this mentality runs

directly counter to the principles most faculty members try to instill in their students as a vital part of their college education.

According to the college catalogue, the "Ursinus liberal arts education teaches students to think critically." However, becoming and remaining the member of a Greek organization does not always require, or sometimes even encourage, critical or independent thinking. In fact, such thinking may run counter to certain goals. For instance, when students are "educating," they are required to dress in certain ways, perform specific activities at the required time, and even, in some cases, sit in certain places in the cafeteria, or avoid others. Anthony Lobo, associate professor in biology, objects to this type of behavior. "I find it hard to support the existence of the Greek system when students have to watch where they sit in Wismer lest they tread on hallowed ground held by a fraternity or sorority; do grown-ups really do that sort of thing?" Voicing the frustrations of other professors, Dr. Lobo also objects when "educating" interferes with education. "I'm resentful of the Greek system at Ursinus when I see students stumble into an afternoon lab, exhausted from pledging-related activities, and proceed to fall asleep amidst the glassware and chemicals on the lab bench," states Lobo.

Of course, whether you call it pledging or new member education, the rituals involved in joining a Greek organization have always been a source of controversy. Fortunately, my sorority's pledging process was neither particularly rigorous nor threatening. We were never forced to drink alcohol, never asked to stay up until ungodly hours, never really asked to humiliate ourselves in any fashion. In fact, when I objected to the silly costumes we had to wear, the pledge mistress looked the other way when I did not comply. My problems with the sorority and "group think" came a year later, when we were recruiting the next pledge class.

While we were rushing the sophomores (you had to be a sophomore back then), I began to notice a disturbing trend. Certain candidates whom some of us nomi-

nated were being rejected out of hand. After repeated attempts to get at the reasons, several of my fellow "sisters" admitted that these girls were just not the right "type." I began to see that being a member of an exclusive group meant becoming more "exclusive" by excluding fun, bright, and interesting women on the basis of their popularity. Some of us found this type of thinking distasteful both personally and politically. When we tried to object, however, we were termed "disloyal" and "trouble-makers." I watched in dismay as one by one, women who felt otherwise succumbed to group think by stifling their opinions and ignoring their beliefs. Finally recognizing the group's prerogative to act according to the majority, two of us exercised our own prerogative to go inactive as a form of protest. It is this ability to think critically and act independently that I wish to emphasize. These skills are among the most important things I learned here at Ursinus, and, twenty years later, I strive to teach students in ways that foster these same qualities.

Overall, I support the existence of Greek organizations on campus. I believe that they, in fact, offer members much more than an opportunity to party—an opportunity that would exist in any event. Still, if we are to remain honest, should we admit that sometimes, in the name of fun, events can go too far? We are more than aware of the accidents, injuries, and deaths that might have been prevented if individual members of a group had spoken up and stopped a potentially threatening situation from ever happening. I would hope that both members of Greek organizations and those who are "educating" take the time to think about the responsibilities they share in creating and sustaining a group mentality. Furthermore, I believe students who choose to remain independent should be respected and supported for their decision. While there may be safety in numbers, and security in thinking the same way that your "brothers" and "sisters" do, there is even more danger in ignoring or rejecting your own ability to think critically and to act independently when the situation warrants it.

Sound Off! Want to be heard?  
Send your thoughts and opinions to  
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## The Educational Philosophy of Ursinus College

Do our organizations meet them?

Cornota Harkins  
Grizzly Editor-in-Chief

The mission of Ursinus College is to enable students to become independent, responsible and thoughtful individuals through a program of liberal education. That education prepares them to live creatively and usefully, and to provide leadership for their society in an interdependent world. Liberal education is provided through an academic program that empowers the intellect, awakens moral sensitivity, and challenges students to improve society. Students gain intellectual curiosity, the capacity to think analytically, critically, and creatively, and the skill to express thoughts with logic, clarity, and grace. Further, they develop a deepened sense of human history and an understanding of who they are as persons, what they ought to do as citizens, and how they best can appreciate the diversity and ambiguity of contemporary experience.

This statement is from our Webpage. It is a part of the mission of Ursinus College and the liberal arts education that we are all working towards.

While here as a student, I had the opportunity to become a member of a Greek organization. I chose to join Alpha Sigma Nu sorority. I am proud of my sorority, and I am proud of the work that we do and the bond that we have formed to become a cohesive unit.

Within each Greek organization there exists a government in and of itself. Such a network provided me with the opportunity to further the leadership skills that I developed through my high school education. I believe that it has also encouraged in me a whole new sense of responsibility and pride in my work and it has shown me what I am capable of achieving.

When I was a first semester freshman here my grades were not what anyone would refer to as

desirable. The semester immediately following this, during which I pledged for Alpha Sigma Nu, my grades improved dramatically. Since then I have maintained a GPA that I am very proud of, and I have a collection of letters informing me that I have made the Dean's List semester after semester. I am a member of Lambda Pi Eta, the National Communications Honor Society, and I was chosen to be one of the editors-in-chief of the Grizzly.

Tell you all of this because it has recently come to my attention that persons at Ursinus do not believe that Greek life and the Greek system agree with the mission of Ursinus College. I will be the first to say that no system is perfect, and no system can remain the same and expect to survive. However, I do hold a point of contention with the idea that Greek life and fraternities and sororities do not agree with the mission statement of Ursinus College.

It has been my experience that being in Alpha Sigma Nu has given me the opportunity to become a campus leader. The standards set by my organization towards academic excellence have helped me to push myself towards the grades that I work for every day. I have learned to think creatively and usefully; I can think outside of the box. And that is a huge part of our Liberal Arts education. Ursinus's mission states that we are learning how to provide leadership for our society in an interdependent world.

That is what Greeks do each day. The world is interdependent. People depend on each other, and those people are not all the same. We have to be able to communicate with people who are different than us. Not just racially, ethnically or religiously different—but people who think differently. That is what makes this school unique.

The small Greek organizations we have had a flavor to this campus like any club does. To say that we detract from the image and mission of the college is to say that the new dorm detracts from the college because it is different.

To professors and administrators who question the life skills that one learns from being a Greek or interacting with a Greek, I ask you to look around you. The Beardwood Chemical Society's President is Greek. The classes of 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005 all have Greek members as officers. The Escape Velocity dance troop has a Greek officer, The ESS Club has more than one Greek Officer, The Haines-Barnard Pre-Legal Society has a Greek Officer, the International Relations Club has a Greek Officer, Le Cercie Francais has a Greek President as well as another Greek officer, Omicron Delta Epsilon's president is a Greek, RHA's president is also Greek, and the president of USGA is a Greek member. These are just a handful of the organizations on campus that include members of the Greek community. My point is that Greeks on campus are doing things.

We take what we learn from our organizations and develop it into skills that we use and share with others for the rest of our lives.

I am smart. I am a student. I am a female. I am a writer. I am a Greek. I am in an honor society. I am responsible. I am an editor. I am a friend. I am a sister. I am a daughter.

None of those things alone can be used to define me accurately. Rather, they all come together to form an endless definition of who I am today and who I will become in the future. That is what Ursinus is training us for, and that is what Greek life is an integral part of. I am a person. And I am individual.

## Many Surprise Winners At A Record Long Academy Awards

**Kelly Gray**  
Grizzly A&E Editor

This year's Oscar Awards had some upsets in some categories and left people wondering when the show was going to end! The ceremony lasted four hours and twenty-three minutes in its new beautiful home at the Kodak Theater on Hollywood Boulevard.

The 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Academy Awards ceremony, held on March 24, 2002, started off with the annual Barbara Walters Special, which aired on ABC.

Walters first interviewed one of the most popular stars on television, Sarah Jessica Parker. Parker announced at the interview that "Sex & The City" would only be lasting for two more seasons. This announcement may upset some fans, but Parker thinks at the end of the five seasons, Carrie will be content with her life.

Next, Walters interviewed Halle Berry, who was nominated for Best Actress at the Oscars this year. Berry recently married R&B singer, Eric Benet, and became a

viewed Tom Cruise, who is now sporting clear braces to correct his bite. He discussed how Nicole and him remain great friends and that he is in love with his current girlfriend, Penelope Cruz. Next, Cruise will be starring in "Minority Report", which is Cruise's first time working with Steven Spielberg.

After the Walters Special, ABC had their own pre-show with Chris Connelly, Leeza Gibbons, and Ananda Lewis. Each one of them entertained all the famous actors who were nominated and presenting.

Finally, the show got underway. Host, Whoopi Goldberg, entered the theater by coming down from the ceiling like Nicole Kidman did in "Moulin Rouge."

Presenters included Julia Roberts, Jennifer Lopez, Reese Witherspoon, Ryan Phillippe, Cameron Diaz, Sharon Stone, Gwyneth Paltrow, Hugh Jackman, Benicio Del Toro, Will Smith, Owen Wilson, Ben Stiller, and John Travolta.

Artists who performed their Oscar nominated songs were



Best Actor Winner, Denzel Washington with wife, Pauletta

Before honoring the artists from the film industry who died this year, the crowd held a moment of silence for all of the heroes and victims from the September 11 tragedy.

The list of winners for the 2002 Academy Awards are:

**BEST FILM**  
*A Beautiful Mind*

**BEST ACTOR**  
Denzel Washington, *Training Day*

**BEST ACTRESS**  
Halle Berry, *Monster's Ball*

**BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR**  
Jim Broadbent, *Iris*

**BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS**  
Jennifer Connelly, *A Beautiful Mind*

**BEST DIRECTOR**  
Ron Howard, *A Beautiful Mind*

**ANIMATED FEATURE FILM**  
*Shrek*

**BEST ART DIRECTION**  
*Moulin Rouge*

**CINEMATOGRAPHY**  
*The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*

**COSTUME DESIGN**  
*Moulin Rouge*

**DOCUMENTARY FEATURE**  
*Murder on a Sunday Morning*

**DOCUMENTARY SHORT SUBJECT**  
*Thoth*

**FILM EDITING**  
*Black Hawk Down*

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILM**  
*No Man's Land*

**BEST MAKE-UP**  
*The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*

**MUSIC (SCORE)**  
*The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*

**MUSIC (SONG)**  
Randy Newman, "If I Didn't Have You" (*Monsters, Inc.*)

**SHORT FILM — ANIMATED**  
*For the Birds*

**SHORT FILM — LIVE ACTION**  
*The Accountant*

**SOUND EDITING**  
*Black Hawk Down*

**SOUND EDITING**  
*Pearl Harbor*

**VISUAL EFFECTS**  
*The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*

**WRITING (ADAPTED SCREENPLAY)**  
*A Beautiful Mind*

**WRITING (ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY)**  
*Gosford Park*

Here is the list of Oscar winners, which was previously announced this year:

**GORDON E. SAWYER AWARD**  
Edmund M. Di Giulio

**JEAN HERSHOLT HUMANITARIAN AWARD**  
Arthur Hiller

**HONORARY AWARDS**  
Sidney Poitier and Robert Redford

There were many surprises this year at the Academy Awards. Sir Ian McKellen was expected to win Best Supporting Actor for his

role in "Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring," but Jim Broadbent, won for his role in "Iris."

Also, Halle Berry, "Monster's Ball", became for the African American woman to win an Oscar for best actress in the seventy-four years of the academy's existence. Many believed that Berry had a chance, but Sissy Spacek and Nicole Kidman were also favorites.

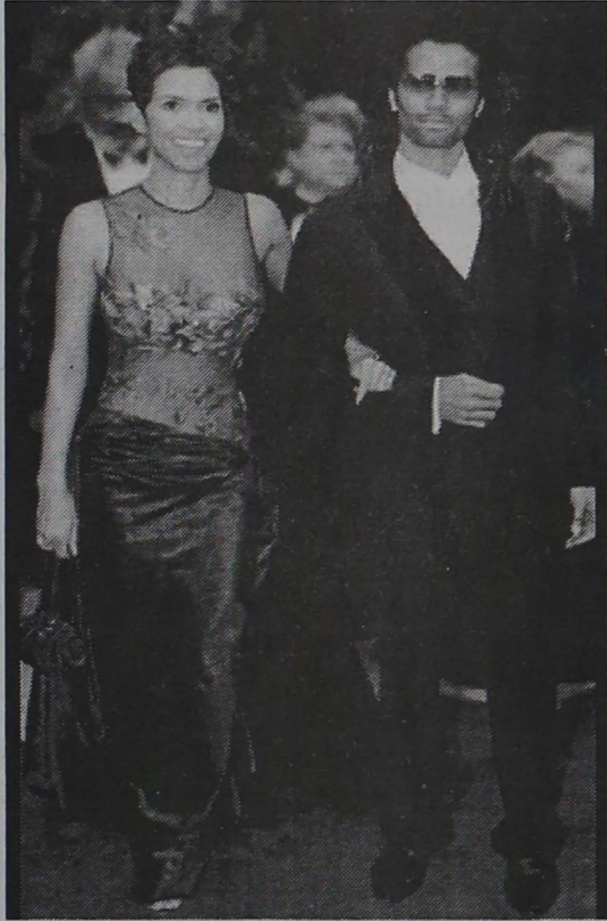
Denzel Washington, "Training Day", became the second African American man to win an Oscar for best actor. Many thought that Crowe was a shoe-in for winning the Oscar a second year in a row.

Finally, Ron Howard won an Oscar for his directing in "A Beautiful Mind", which was overdue.

Also, after sixteen Oscar nominations, Randy Newman finally won an Oscar for his song "If I Didn't Have You" for the movie "Monsters, Inc."

After the long show, the ladies from "The View" held their After Oscar Party. The ladies dished about who won, who lost, who was wearing what, and was all unscripted.

Of course, many were surprised how Joan Rivers did not question everyone about what they were wearing but congratulated the actors on their accomplishments this year.



Best Actress Winner, Halle Berry with husband, Eric Benet

mother to his son. She also discussed the car crash she left the scene of two years ago and told the nation that she still does not remember what happened in that accident.

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viewed Tom Cruise, who is now sporting clear braces to correct his bite. He discussed how Nicole and him remain great friends and that he is in love with his current girlfriend, Penelope Cruz. Next, Cruise will be starring in "Minority Report", which is Cruise's first time working with Steven Spielberg.

bet to see how long Matt can hold out.

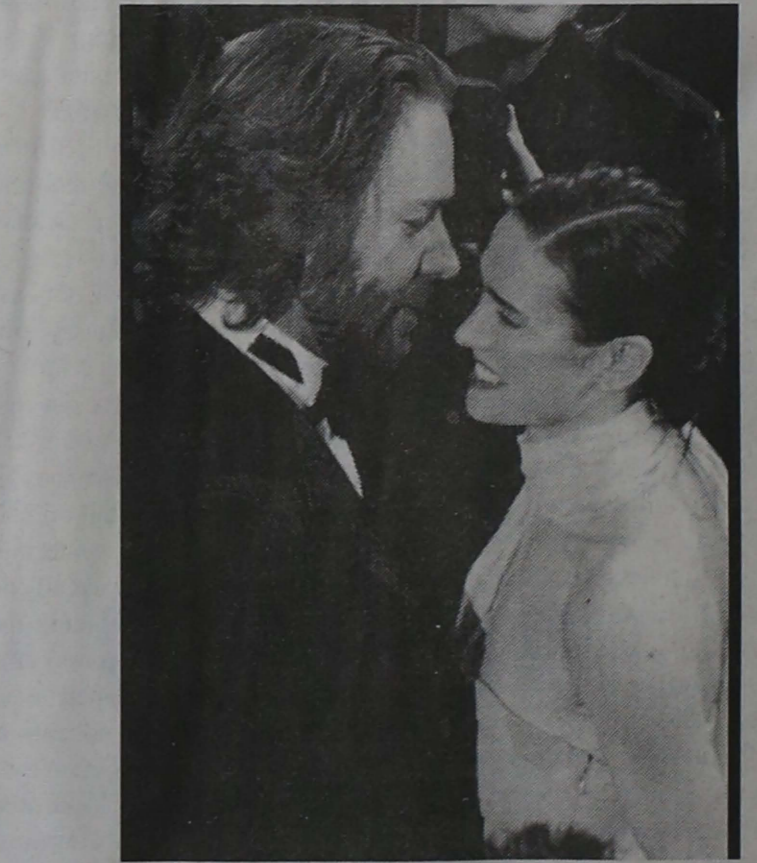
Then he meets Erica (Shannyn Sossamon, *A Knight's Tale*) at the Laundromat and everything seems to take turn for the worst. Can he keep his vow for the next 40 days without letting Erica know what he's up to, or without making her think he's not attracted to her? Will he cave in on his deal with the devil? Will everything fall apart just before his time is up?

To make sure Matt is keeping his vow, his roommate played by Paulo Costanzo (*Road Trip*) runs a black light all over his sheets.

Some of the funniest scenes in-

clude when Matt eats dinner with his brother the priest and his parents. His father begins to talk about their sex life. In another scene, Matt's coworker put viagra in his orange juice, but is accidentally given to his boss, who is trying to accomplish the same vow as Matt.

The only thing I can tell you is to go the movies and find out for yourself. I promise you won't be bored. From the crazy antics of Matt's roommate to the hilarious "confessions" Matt makes to his brother the priest, *40 Days & 40 Nights* has it all in the comedy department.



Russell Crowe and Best Supporting Actress Winner, Jennifer Connelly

## Behind The Scenes Entertainment

### Could You Do What Josh Hartnett Did? Check Out This Movie

No sex. No masturbation. No kissing, no hugging, no touching. Could you do it for a day? How about for 40 days?

Josh Hartnett (*Pearl Harbor*) stars in the hilarious comedy *40 Days & 40 Nights* as Matt Sullivan, an employee of a fun-loving computer company, still trying to get over his last big relationship.

Since then, he has tried whatever he could to get over Nicole—including having sex with as many girls as possible to get Nicole out of his head. Each time, thought, the sexual encounter ends in a horrify-

ingly vivid portrayal of Matt's life falling apart. In the back of his mind, he thinks Nicole is the only one who could make his life normal again.

So, he takes a vow of celibacy for Lent—40 days and 40 nights of no self-gratification... whatsoever.

It is hard enough to give up sex for Lent, but what if your coworkers found out about your vow? This is what happens to Matt. His co-workers at a dot com company have all placed bets to see which day he will break the vow. The bet gets so big that they have made a website called "The Vow." People all over the world can place



"40 Days & 40 Nights"

# Celebrity of the Week: Joan Rivers

Sarah Ewald  
Grizzly A&E Editor

We've all seen her hobnobbing on the red carpets of the award shows, and we've all seen her fashion critiques of what the stars wore, but does anyone really know how Joan Rivers, diva of fashion and talk got her start?

Rivers was born in 1933 in Brooklyn, New York, and she claims that from the start she wanted to be on the stage.

Rivers studied English and Anthropology at Barnard College in New York, New York, and when she graduated in 1954 she took a job as a buyer for Bond Clothing Stores. Here she married the boss's son, but unfortunately the marriage only lasted six months.

When she got divorced,

Rivers attempted to get work in New York City as a comedian. She spent seven long years working at clubs with unappreciative audiences and dealing with bad agents.

She finally got a break in 1965 when she was booked on "The Johnny Carson Show." It was here that she met her second husband, Edgar Rosenberg, the executive producer of the show.

By 1968 Rivers had gotten her own syndicated television talk show, *That Show with Joan Rivers*. This was one of the first talk shows of its kind. Along with this she also continued to make appearances on the Johnny Carson show and the Ed Sullivan show.

It is 1968 when Rivers' daughter, Melissa was born. Be-

tween 1968 and 1972 Joan starred in a movie with Burt Lancaster, and a Broadway play that she helped co-write.

Her stardom was on the rise, and by 1983 she was the permanent co-host of "The Johnny Carson Show," a sell-out in Las Vegas, Carnegie Hall, and had two best-selling books.

When things couldn't seem to get any better tragedy struck.

Rivers' husband, Edgar committed suicide by a valium overdose in August of 1987.

But, Rivers was able to recover and by 1989 she had another syndicated talk show, "Can We Shop?," and a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Along with everything else, Rivers has also had center square on the popular show, "Hollywood Squares," a six one-hour series on the BBC called, "Joan Rivers: Can We Talk?," and special guest appearances on "Suddenly Susan," "Another World," and "All My Children."

Today, Rivers hosts live pre-show commentary shows on E! for the Academy Awards, Golden Globe Awards, and Emmy Awards.

She has also been engaged to Orin Lehman, since 1996 and lives in Manhattan with her three best friends.

Rivers wasn't always the expert on fashion and stars, she had to work her way up the ladder before she reached stardom. Her friends consider her to be one of the hardest working women in the world.



Celebrity Feature: Joan Rivers

## Are Britney and Justin Headed for Splitsville? and other Hollywood News

Jamie Matty  
Grizzly Writer

### Britney And Justin; Are They Over?

Last month we all heard the rumors from the British tabloid saying that Britney and Justin ended their relationship. But, Miss Spears insisted that her and her man were still together. Now, there are some new reports about the relationship.

At the premiere of "Crossroads" in England, Spears revealed to the press that she was not involved in an intense relationship at the moment. Some believe that Spears and Timberlake have cooled down their relationship at the moment. Only a couple months ago, the couple was in the public eye more than ever.

### Winona Ryder's Day In Court

Winona Ryder is known for her acting in such films as *Girl, Interrupted*, *Mermaids*, *Little Women*, *Beetjuice* and *Edward Scissorhands*. Lately, her name has been making headlines for shoplifting, not acting.

Ryder, 30, is currently awaiting a preliminary hearing on charges that she shoplifted \$4,700 in merchandise including hats, socks, handbags, and hairbands from Saks Fifth Avenue in Beverly Hills.

The Los Angeles Times lists Ryder's charges as second-degree commercial burglary, grand theft of personal property, vandalism, and possession of a controlled substance.

These charges will be taken into consideration when the courtroom is able to view a 90-minute videotape of Ryder the store where she allegedly stole. Police have said that she was caught trying to remove anti-theft sensors from the clothing, but supposedly the videotape shows nothing incriminating. Ryder's lawyers believe that the videotape will show Ryder did no wrong, and will set her free of the charges.

### How Oscars' Nominees and Presenters Are Pampered

In other Hollywood news, the Oscar winners will be revealed later this week, but the nominees and presenters to relax at the Oscar package. The Oscar package, which has been in effect for four years now, allows their nominees and presenters to relax at the better hotels in Hollywood.

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The package includes allow fashion designers and luxury beauty companies to offer their services to the stars.

Popular designers such as Randolph Duke, Prada, and Vera Wang are expected to offer their services at the L'Ermitage Hotel in Beverly Hills. Other designers such as Donna Karan and Escada are expected to provide their services at the Four Seasons Hotel.

For this year, the free services include manicures, pedicures, and make up consultations from Helena Rubenstein. Also, there is haircutting, styling, and hotshaves for men from Fred Seagal Essentials. It must be nice to be a nominee or a presenter at the Grammy Awards this year.

### J.Lo Now Has Make Up And A New Scent

J. Lo is now moving from clothes designer to her own line of make up and a new fragrance to be released this fall.

The Lancaster Group, a major European cosmetic company, has signed an exclusive international licensing agreement with the Jennifer Lopez's Sweetface Fashion Company.

For women who wear the J. Lo brand clothes, they will now have a fragrance and make up to go with their outfit. The fragrance will embody the spirit and energy of Lopez.

### Kate Moss Expecting?

Model Kate Moss was recently seen looking at ultrasound scans at the Savey Hotel in London.

The immensely thin model, known for her Calvin Klein ads, has reportedly been dating Jefferson Hack, a British magazine editor, for the past year.

One witness reportedly heard Moss passing out the ultrasound pictures to people to see and said, "I haven't even felt sick yet. It's wonderful."

# Just For Fun Entertainment

## Digging Poetry New York Style

Svreetta Dixon  
Special to the Grizzly

I dig poetry! I believe that it is one of the reasons why monkeys are our cousins and not our siblings.

All kidding aside, I attempted to find a place that was totally dedicated to poetry and guess what? I have discovered what they call poetry cafés. They are these little bars, storefronts, abandoned churches, and renovated clubs, where kooky people like me get to listen, read, and live poetry.

One place I stopped by while at home in good old New York was Nuyorican Poets Café.

In 1974, in a storefront on Sixth Street in New York, a mission began to provide an outlet for artists not represented in mainstream America. Such noted poets as Edwin Torres, Miguel Algarin, Ntozake Shange, Piri Thomas (some of the founders) and many others have contributed to this new Mecca, while others, like me, have been trying their damndest to get there.

There are of course other places like this; cafés aren't new, but in my little world they are. I didn't really know about them until I heard of the Nuyorican in Professor Keita's class, Spoken Word.

Unfortunately I was not able to go on Friday, which is when they usually have Slam

nights, but I was able to go on Wednesday, and for \$7 I had a really great time.

Although there was no poetry, I did get inspiration. Nuyorican not only has poetry, but also bands, theatre, and hip-hop. I went on the night when they were supposed to have theatre, but many of the actors were on tour for other projects, so in their place were some comedians, who were all friends of the host.

I came a few minutes before opening, and just got to take in the scenery. New York is a huge place and I don't know anything but Brooklyn. I was on the Lower East Side of Manhattan where there is a good mix of Blacks, Whites, Asians, but an even larger percent of Latino/as. In line were mamacitas, papis, and a few brothas and sistahs, including me. Some were from work, others right from across the street. Some took cars, some took trains to get there. Me? I took a flying carpet. We were greeted by an older man, handed him our dinero, and entered the holies of holies.

All angelic music cut off, this place was no bigger than my apartment in Brooklyn. Once getting over its small size, however, I did take in what they did with the place. The backdrop to the bar on my right was graffiti art in bright yellow. They had a flag of Puerto

Rico and pictures of various people that have performed, or who are involved in the café. About ten paces from the door and five from the bar was seating, across from the bar was the DJ area. I must say he was pumping some fly beats.

I definitely made up my mind to come to one of their band nights. Most of the seats were taken so I sat by the DJ table. Though I didn't know anyone, I didn't feel lonely, since we were so closely seated and everyone seemed so joyous. People greeted each other with hugs and kisses. The energy made me excited, and then my friends came, which was even better since I didn't think they would make it.

The size of the room made the energy of the crowd more concentrated and I felt more comfortable there than I do on this campus at times. If any of you out there ever want to go, you should. I guarantee a good time.

To find out about upcoming events and to get directions, visit their website at [www.nuyorican.org](http://www.nuyorican.org). There you will find the café's history, upcoming events and links to other websites like theirs. That night at Nuyorican made my spring break a whole lot better.

## NSYNC They Drive Us Crazy; Their New Tour

Kate Petersen  
Grizzly Writer

Five guys from Orlando, Justin, JC, Joey, Lance and Chris, known to many teenage girls as NSYNC, recently kicked off their "Celebrity" tour. Beginning in Portland, Oregon on March 3, and ending April 28 in Orlando, the "fab five" will hit Philadelphia's First Union Center on both April 9 and 18.

In what is being hailed by MTV as "The Justin and JC Show", the group chose to perform a variety of songs from their four albums, as well as doing a brief segment of covers. The set list is as follows:

- NSYNC Songs:  
 "Do Your Thing"  
 "Bye Bye Bye"  
 "For the Girl Who Has Everything"  
 "God Must Have Spent"  
 "Tearin' Up My Heart"  
 "Celebrity"  
 "Up Against The Wall"  
 "No Strings Attached"  
 "This I Promise You"  
 "I Drive Myself Crazy"  
 "I Want You Back (Blues Version)"  
 "Gone"  
 "Girlfriend"

- Cover Songs:  
 "I Wanna Hold Your Hand"  
 "Hey Jude"

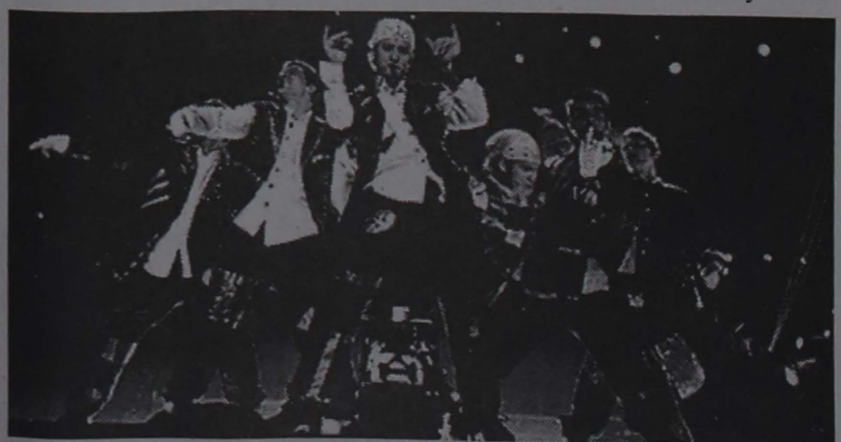
- "Twist and Shout"  
 "My Girl"  
 "The Way You Do the Things You Do"  
 "I Can't Get Next to You"  
 "Sailing"  
 "Tell me, Tell me Baby"

In a 95-minute show, backed by an eight-piece band, the concert has been said to give "every indication that this quintet is more than a flash in the boy band pan". The quintet opened the show, dressed in jeans and t-shirt style clothing. Soon a large catwalk descends from the rafters. The boys return, dressed in black and white coordinating suits—there were four costume changes in all throughout the evening. The five were able to intertwine slowness with the highly energized, choreographed dance moves they are so famous for.

Nearly halfway into the tour, it is hailing great reviews from fans, which seem to be amazed and astounded by the

groups every move. NSYNC also seems to be gaining praise from critics as well. MTV noted, "As the girls screamed and the boys sang, 'The thign you got to realize is/ What we're doing is not a trend/ WE got the gift of melody/ We gonna bring it till the end.' you almost couldn't help but believe it".

In other NSYNC related news, it was rumored that Lance Bass was hoping to fulfill his dreams of space exploration by teaming up with Russia's space program. Lance was in discussions with MirCorp regarding joining the Russian program. Russia's spokesman, Gorbunov, however, said that he had no knowledge of these plans. He also commented, "We are not a shop selling flights. There is a hard preparation process, and it is not just about coming and buying a flight." Lance continues to put forth effort to enter space. He certainly understands a hard preparation process, as is apparent in NSYNC's "Celebrity" tour.



NSYNC performing at Madison Square Garden

# CAB, RHA, and WVOU present...



## Pat McGee Band

Sunday, April 14th

Helfferich Gym

Doors Open @ 7 Show Starts @ 8

UC Students - \$7 (ID required)

General Public - \$10

Tickets Available Now

in LD/SAO (9am - noon and 1pm - 5pm)



## Womens Lacrosse Continue To Tear Through Their Schedule

**Erin Fitzgerald**  
Special to the Grizzly

The 2002 Ursinus College women's lacrosse squad continued its undefeated ways this week, winning two Centennial Conference games against Bryn Mawr and Gettysburg. Their overall record now stands at 4-0, 3-0 in the Centennial Conference.

Ranked eighth nationally in the most recent poll, the team played some impressive lacrosse en route to outscoring their opponents 36-11 on the week. On Tuesday they traveled to Bryn Mawr to take on the Mawrers on their cold, soggy field. Despite the poor conditions, the Bears dominated from the first draw and cruised to a 20-0 shutout win.

Ten different players scored in the win, including multiple goal performances from Erin Fitzgerald, Sue Patton, Diane Elia, Sarah Ulmer, Abby Ross, Aubrey Andre, and Leigh Voigt. Goalies Rebecca Mannion, Melissa Scholl, and Jill McMadden combined for the shutout.

After returning to Collegeville, the team spent Wednesday through Friday preparing for their first big test of the season against #9 Gettysburg College, who was ranked right behind the Bears in the national poll. Last season the Bears downed the Bullets twice, including 11-7 in the CC Championship game.

After a long bus ride on Saturday morning, the Bears loosened up with some locker room dancing

and got set to take on the Bullets. Ursinus may have been a little too loose as the Bullets started the game by scoring the first three goals and racing to a 3-0 lead. But, then the Bears got started, and they showed the Bullets what domination means as they scored 9 of the next ten goals to open up a 9-4 lead.

After an 11-5 halftime advantage for Ursinus, Gettysburg came out firing in the second half and closed the gap to 11-8 before the UC defense and goalkeeper Mannion (nine saves) stepped up and snuffed out the run. The attack also woke up again and rattled off five more goals before the final whistle. The final score was 16-11.

Fitzgerald and Jaime Matty led

Ursinus with seven and six points respectively, while Emily Durkin scored three goals and added an assist in her first game back from an ankle injury. Elia and Ulmer also had multiple-point efforts for Ursinus.

The bus ride home was celebratory, but the Bears now have a new focus. On Tuesday night they travel to #3 College of New Jersey where they will attempt to down the Lions. Game time is 7:00 pm, and looks to be a strong match up between two top ten teams. Also, the Bears second home game of the season is Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> against Montclair State at 4:00pm on the football field.

### Womens Lax Schedule

Tues. 3/26	College of New Jersey	A	7:00 pm
Thurs. 3/28	Montclair State	H	4:00 pm
Tues. 4/2	Rowan	H	4:00 pm
Sat. 4/6	Franklin & Marshall *	H	1:00 pm
Tues. 4/9	Muhlenberg *	A	4:00 pm
Thurs. 4/11	Washington *	A	4:00 pm
Sat. 4/13	Dickinson *	H	1:00 pm
Wed. 4/17	Haverford *	H	4:00 pm
Sat. 4/20	Swarthmore *	H	1:00 pm
Wed. 4/24	Cabrini	A	4:00 pm

\* Centennial Conference Game

## Gymnastics Bring Home Fourth At The NCGA

ITHACA, NEW YORK (March 23, 2002) - The Ursinus College women's gymnastics team scored a 182.525 to finish fourth at the 2002 NCGA National Championships hosted by Ithaca College. Wisconsin-LaCrosse scored 184.92

5 points to capture their second consecutive title. Senior Jumaah Johnson (below

left) earned All-American honors in four events highlighted by a first-place finish on the floor exercise with a two-day total score of 19.20. She scored a 37.350 to finish second in the all-around competition and finished fourth on bars (18.525) and fifth on beam (19.250).

Freshman Kristen Grimmel (below center) finished second in

the all-around competition (37.250) and also earned All-American honors on floor exercise (3rd, 19.15) and vault (4th, 18.875).

Senior Casey Aivazian (below right) scored a 19.025 on floor, to finish sixth and earn All-American honors. See backpage for full results.

**Mary Sim**  
Special To The Grizzly

Performance enhancing drugs (PED) include steroids, growth hormones and nutritional supplements.

Athletes take these drugs in order to get that extra edge over the competition. These drugs are once again in the headlines because of the XIX Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City. After all that the International Olympic Committee has done in regards to anti-doping PED's are still found in sports today.

Doping is the use of a substance or method that is potentially harmful to the athlete's health and/or is

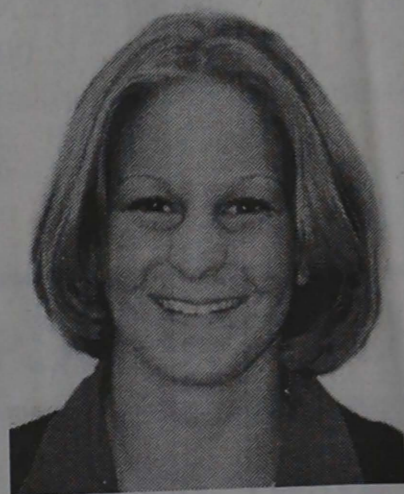
capable of enhancing performance. It also refers to the presence in an athlete's body of a prohibited substance or evidence of the use of a prohibited method. In other words, doping is cheating, plain and simple. It is also harmful to athletes and the youth who emulate them. All Olympic athletes must take drug tests in order to participate.

When the results came back 3 athletes were found to have traces of performance enhancing drugs. These athletes were forced to leave the games. The drugs that were found in the test were Darbepoetin, which is related to Erythropoietin (EPO). EPO is produced in the kidney and stimulates the production of red blood cells, which increase performance.

Side effects include less serious

problems like dizziness and headaches but some serious effects like strokes, seizures and heart problems. Some PED's cause death. The US and the Olympic games have enacted anti-doping regulations that have dramatically cut down the amount of doping yet numbers in doping are still high in high school and college sports. These supplements and drugs are highly addictive.

If you or someone you know are experiencing problems with PED's please contact your athletic trainers in Hellfrich or the Wellness Center to speak to medical and counseling staff (x2412). There is help and alternative options for you. For more information see <http://www.howstuffworks.com/athletic-drug-test1.htm>.



## A Fantastic Four

**Joseph Summers**  
Grizzly Sports Writer

The Final Four is set. After three rounds of a National Championship Tournament that no one could've predicted, four teams remain: #1 Kansas from the Midwest Region, #1 Maryland from the East, #5 Indiana out of the South, and #2 Oklahoma from the West.

Oklahoma will face Indiana Sat-

urday, March 30th at 6:07 and the winner will play either Kansas or Maryland, who square off in the second game. Oklahoma reached the semi-final by defeating 12 seed Missouri 81-75, in the regional final. Indiana defeated number one Duke 74-73 in a major upset the Sweet Sixteen ended Kent State's Cinderella run by knocking them off by twelve in the Elite Eight. Kansas defeated #2 Oregon rather

handily 104-86 in the Midwest Regional Final. Maryland knocked off #2 UConn 90-82 to win the East.

Kansas is led by 6-10 All-American forward Drew Gooden, who averaged 20.9 points and 11.9 rebounds during the regular season. He, Nick Collison and Kirk Hinrich will lead the Jayhawks against the Maryland Terrapins and All-American guard Juan Dixon (19.3

ppg). Dixon's supporting cast includes bruising forward Lonny Baxter (15.2 ppg, 8.2 rebs.) and guard Byron Mouton.

The tournament's biggest surprise, the Indiana Hoosiers are led by All-American forward Jarred Jeffries (15.2 ppg) and sharp-shooting point guard Tom Coverdale. Coverdale injured his ankle in last week's victory against Kent State and it is uncertain if he will be able to play this Saturday. If he is sidelined, the Hoosiers will have a difficult time defeating Oklahoma and their tenacious defense. The Sooners are led by Junior guard Hollis Price (16.6 ppg) who is a deadly perimeter shooter.

This is likely to be an incredible experience for the players on each team as well as all four coaches. None of the four coaches in this year's Final Four (Mike Davis, Indiana, Kelvin Samson, Oklahoma, Gary Williams, Maryland nor Roy Williams, Kansas) has ever won a National Championship.



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This years Final Four shapes up to be a great contest all the way to the end.

## GREEK CORNER

**Sarah Ewald**  
Grizzly A&E Editor

Spring is a great time for the Greek Community at Ursinus. New Member Education has ended and that means that the celebrations never end.

As usual this spring there will be a slew of formals for the sisters and brothers to attend, and let's be thankful that this year all the sororities aren't having their formals on the same day.

Not only are there formals to attend, but the ever exciting Greek Week, which will include for the first time a huge community service event.

In the upcoming weeks check out the Greek Corner for info on all of the latest Greek events that are happening here at Ursinus, but until then remember that if you have any information regarding your fraternity or sorority you can e-mail it to [saewald@ursinus.edu](mailto:saewald@ursinus.edu).

Also if you want your new members posted in the Grizzly you can e-mail it to the same address.

Congrats to the new members of Chi Rho Psi:  
Steve Dunkle  
Greg Duncan  
Chris Gross

# SPORTS BACKPAGE

## Gymnastics Results

Vault Day One	Bars Day One	Beam Day One	Floor Day One	All Around Day One
5. Kristen Grimmel Ursinus 9.350	5. Jumaah Johnson Ursinus 9.200	2. Desiree Yuhasz Ursinus 9.650	2. Jumaah Johnson Ursinus 9.625	2. Jumaah Johnson Ursinus 8.900
28. Kristen Reed Ursinus 9.025	12. Kristen Grimmel Ursinus 8.950	3. Jumaah Johnson Ursinus 9.625	3. Kristen Grimmel Ursinus 9.600	9.200 9.625 37.350
39. Jumaah Johnson Ursinus 8.900	22. Gill Harnicek Ursinus 8.675	20. Kristen Grimmel Ursinus 9.350	5. Casey Aivazian Ursinus 9.550	4. Kristen Grimmel Ursinus 9.350
39. Bridget Young Ursinus 8.900	31. Desiree Yuhasz Ursinus 8.550	30. Stephanie Clark Ursinus 9.150	24. Jennifer Fouse Ursinus 9.300	8.950 9.350 9.600 37.250
42. Melanie White Ursinus 8.850	37. Stephanie Clark Ursinus 8.450	36. Melanie White Ursinus 8.900	48. Shawna Eddy Ursinus 8.925	
48. Jennifer Fouse Ursinus 8.700	37. Jessica Cowden Ursinus 8.450	56. Jessica Cowden Ursinus 7.700	<b>Floor Day Two</b> 1 Jumaah Johnson Ursinus 9.575	
<b>Vault Day Two</b> 4 Kristen Grimmel Ursinus 9.525	<b>Bars Day Two</b> 4 Jumaah Johnson Ursinus 9.325	<b>Beam Day Two</b> 5 Jumaah Johnson Ursinus 9.625	3 Kristen Grimmel Ursinus 9.550	
	13 Kristen Grimmel Ursinus 7.800	10 Desiree Yuhasz Ursinus 9.000	6 Casey Aivazian Ursinus 9.475	

## Bears split with Red Devils in First Game of Conference

Ann Antanavage  
Grizzly Editor-in-Chief

The Ursinus College softball team lost one of their two games against Dickinson College on Monday afternoon. Winning the second game, 5-0, after a fall in the first with a score of 2-1.

Freshman Erin Skinner pitched the first game, where she allowed one run on three hits and struck out seven Red Devils. Our shortstop, Jess Troutman went two for two, and senior, Allison Vasta made

UC's only run in the first game, with a single.

The second game was a two-hit shut out pitched by sophomore Amy Gooding. Junior, Jess Troutman and sophomore Patti Ruby each had two hits on the offensive. Catcher and freshman Kelly McCloskey also had a great game.

Ursinus is 6-5-1 overall, this season, and 1-1 in the Centennial Conference. Looks to be a good start

for the Bears, whose goal is to be in the top four teams for the conference playoffs in April.

Captains, Sarah Smith and Sobolewski commented that "[the game] was a good opportunity to get the mistakes out early and we have confidence that we will do well this season."

This was the Softball team's first game since their Florida trip over spring break. Their second double header was scheduled for Tuesday at Moravian College. The team is scheduled to play at Western Maryland and the two best pitchers in the conference this Saturday. Good Luck, Ladies!



Sophomore, Amy Gooding (left) and freshman, Erin Skinner (right) were the pitchers for the first Conference games for UC softball this season.

## The Pro Wrestling Report

Frank Romascavage III  
Grizzly Sports Writer

The WWF is having great success after an excellent Wrestlemania X-8.

The recent name calling from The Rock to Kevin Nash has a lot of backstage heat. Nash went to Shane McMahon in the back for advice about this, since the "Big Daddy Cool" attitude of Nash does not comply with taking insults. At this moment, Shane McMahon is working behind the scenes in the WWF, and he also does work for WWF.com.

Recently, Jake "The Snake" Roberts got in trouble with the law in England for violating the act of cruelty towards animals. A fan at a wrestling event saw Jake beat a wrestler with a bag that contained a snake.

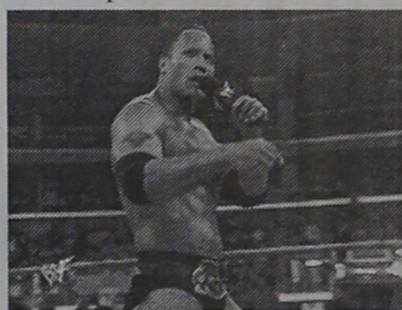
The top stars of the moment are:

Brock Lesnar and X-Pac. Brock grew up on a farm in Minnesota, and he became one of the top NCAA wrestlers as a Golden Gopher. Now, he has as much momentum as Goldberg did from back in WCW. X-Pac grew up in a totally different environment; he was alone since he was 16. After working throughout the independent scene, X-Pac made it into the WWF but then he left for WCW and came back to the WWF as a part of DX in 1998. Now, X-Pac is back in the WWF after recovering from a neck injury, and he will make a big impact in 2002 as a part of the nWo.

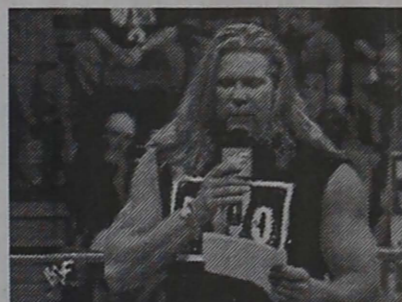
Hulk Hogan is doing a good job in the backstage area as a leader, because he is funny and professional with everyone.

Shawn Michaels recently stated that he will comeback to the WWF

only if Vince McMahon wants him to. Michaels says he can wait, because his wife and son are very important people in his life, and he wants to spend as much time with them as possible.



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## Sports Schedule

### Thursday, March 28

Lacrosse (W) vs. Montclair State, 4:00 pm

### Friday, March 29

Baseball at Muhlenberg

### Saturday, March 30

Baseball vs. Washington, 12 Noon  
Tennis vs. Johns Hopkins, 12:00 Noon  
Softball at Western Maryland  
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