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The "Whites-Only" Scholarship Spurs Nationwide Controversy

Tia Larese
Features Editor

The country now knows the name of Jason J. Mattera, the resident of the College Republicans at Roger Williams University in Rhode Island. He is at the center of a debate concerning a 250 scholarship that the organization is offering to students, but of all students - whites only.

The scholarship, which was originally \$50, "began two weeks ago as a way for the college Republican groups to express their opposition and tell people they are against race-based scholarships and affirmative action," said June Speakman, the advisor of the Col-

lege Republicans, to CNN.

Qualifications for the scholarship include: Being "a student of non-color, Caucasian descent (white)," and writing a short essay about "why you are proud of your white heritage and explain what being white means to you."

The university's student senate found one line within the application to be in *poor taste*: "evidence of bleaching will disqualify applicants."

Mattera said in an interview with the New York Times that he intended the scholarship to be a parody of those intended only for

minority students. He also said that scholarships should be based on a student's merit and not their ethnicity.

Mattera himself is Puerto Rican and the recipient of a \$5,000 scholarship from the Hispanic College Fund.

There have been numerous emails from supporters of the whites-only scholarship who have donated money. They have collected nearly \$4,000 for future scholarships. One man donated \$1,000 for their cause.

Meanwhile, others have criticized the scholarship, including the

Rhode Island state Republican Party that described the scholarship as having "racial overtones."

Bedell, the student body president at Roger Williams University, said, "The scholarship was put out in the beginning of February to counter Black History Month."

Here's what some Ursinus students & faculty have said on the topic:

Ursinus College Republicans: "The method used by the college Republicans at Roger Williams University is not one that we find to be productive. The Ursinus College Republicans, along with the Ursinus

College Democrats, are trying to create an atmosphere where political issues can be discussed in an open and positive way. The actions of the Roger Williams University Republicans seem more destined to create ill-feelings and controversy..."

Joe Calhoun, Senior: "Discrimination, in academic scholarships creates feelings of hostility and resentment between students which eat away at the college community. Scholarships should be based solely upon scholastic achievement, there shouldn't be white only scholarships and there

shouldn't be minority only scholarships, for both are destructive."

Katie Jones, Sophomore: "I do not believe that giving out scholarships based on race is appropriate in today's climate of diversity, and more importantly equality. We cannot expect to be equals if we continue to recognize race as a defining characteristic of our personalities, worthy of a monetary reward."

Do you have an opinion on the topic? Email grizzly@ursinus.edu for an opportunity to have your thoughts published.

Spotlight on Kerry and Edwards

Bart Brooks
Grizzly Staff Writer

John Kerry, the current Democratic frontrunner as of this writing, has had a long and illustrious career. He graduated from Yale and volunteered for the Navy, serving in Vietnam.

After a few years of combat (in which he received the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, and three Purple Hearts), he became an anti-war protester, eventually casting away the ribbons of some of his awards.

Because he was such an effective protester, he garnered a reputation for himself. He appeared before the Senate several times, with his famous question, "How do you ask a man to be the last to die for a mistake?"

Kerry attempted to begin his political career early. He ran for Congress in 1972 and lost. Then he went to Boston College and received a degree in law. Next, he became Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts in 1982. Two years later, Kerry became a United States Senator.

In the 1990's, he also worked with Senator John McCain on rebuilding ties with Vietnam, and debunking the myth that there are still prisoners there.

At first, Kerry and McCain did not get along since Kerry was an activist against the war while McCain was a POW himself. Also, Kerry ran against McCain in 1984. They soon reconciled their differences, however, and became close friends.

A divorced father of two, Kerry met the widow of Pennsylvania Senator John Heinz, Teresa Heinz. They got married in 1995.

So far, for this election, the

issues that Kerry has come under fire the most for are his opinions on Iraq. He voted in 2002 for the congressional resolution allowing Bush to use force in Iraq, but voted against the 87 billion dollars Bush wanted to spend for the military operations and the reconstruction of Afghanistan and Iraq.

Other criticisms of Kerry are that he is too distant and being too "squishy" on issues.

On the other hand is Kerry's chief rival, John Edwards. Unlike Kerry, Edwards was born into a poor family. He, too, had an interest in law and became a highly successful lawyer.

He became wealthy, married, and had kids. Edwards considered going into public office, but did not do so until his son Wade died in a car accident. Wade wanted to see his father run but his life was cut short.

As a result of his son's death, Edwards jumped into politics. He became a Senator, and almost immediately after he became a prime candidate for vice presidency in the 2000 elections.

Both Kerry and Edwards have emerged as the front-runners of this election for the Democratic side. It seems as if the race will boil down to the two of them, and soon there will be only one candidate.

Both have different backgrounds, and different opinions. While not as liberal as Dean or Kucinich, Kerry and Edward's stances on certain issues will dictate who wins the Democratic nomination.

From President Strassburger: In Memory of James C. Wilkes, Jr.

In an email sent to the entire campus on Monday, February 23, President Strassburger informed everyone of the sudden death of James C. Wilkes, Jr. this past weekend at his home in Georgia.

As quoted in the email, "Jim was elected to the Ursinus Board of Trustees in June 2003, and served on the Athletics, Buildings and Grounds and Development committees.

He was also serving with great

enthusiasm as the Chair of our \$115,000,000 *Taking Our Place* fund-raising campaign."

Everyone is invited to send their condolences to the family at the following location:

Wilkes Family
9440 Colonade Trail,
Alpharetta, GA 30022-5191

We here at *The Grizzly* wish to express our sympathies to the family.

Harvard Strips Down and Bares All

Sarah Bollinger
Grizzly Staff Writer

Students from Harvard University have been making waves for the past week not for their academics, but because of their new sex magazine.

The new periodical will not only include art, sex advice, and fiction, but nude pictures of undergraduate students.

The magazine entitled "H Bomb" was approved by a group of staff and students for student organizations. The 12-0 vote, with two absentions, allows the magazine to apply for funding but does not guarantee any financial support.

Associate Dean Judith H. Kidd was one of the members that voted on the magazine and said, "We are aware of the fact that some segments of the population would find the contents distasteful. However, the committee considered this to be an issue of freedom of

speech."

Sophomore Katharina Baldegg and junior Camilla Hrdy proposed the magazine to the faculty and stressed that it won't be a pornographic magazine.

"It will provide comfortable, relaxed discussion that doesn't hold back and puts a lighter spin on something that shouldn't be a restricted or delicate topic at Harvard," they said.

Along with their application the girls included a list of 25 students that also wanted to work on the magazine.

But Harvard isn't the only college that has shown interest in sex themed magazines. Vassar and Swarthmore colleges already have sex magazines in circulation. Now that Harvard has taken this step, will other colleges follow?

Conservatives on campus have started to voice their concerns

about the magazine.

Senior Gladden J. Pappen says, "Regardless of any literary intent, I'm sure when it arrives on the doorsteps of most young men and women at Harvard, it will be used as porn, not for any artistic purpose."

For fear of the liability of being sued, committee leaders spoke to Harvard's general counsel, but were reassured that the freedom of speech is more important.

The college is allowing the editors to use Harvard's name and its facilities to advertise the magazine. However, like all college publications, no photo shoots are allowed to be taken inside university buildings.

The magazine also specifies that models must be at least 18 years old.

The "H Bomb" is expected to look similar to Vassar's sex themed

"Squirm" magazine. Campus authorities did consider legal consultation and ramifications after seeing the "very explicit" nature of "Squirm" but realized it is a matter of free speech.

Baldegg and Hrdy explain, "Both male and female students will appear nude in photography portions of the magazine, but that is not the main focus of the magazine. We aim to create a forum for an honest discussion of sex on campus."

On February 9 Harvard officials granted Baldegg and Hrdy permission to start working on the magazine. While the two continue to defend the magazine from charges of being pornographic, work has already started on the first issue.

The magazine is expected to be launched sometime in May, possibly by graduation.

UC Presents "Vagina Monologues" Next Week

Special to the Grizzly

Most people at Ursinus when they hear the word "V-Day" give a big "huh" and wonder what it is. This is just one of the problems facing "V-Day."

But this year, Ursinus is hoping to change all that. First, it is important to know exactly what "V-Day" is. Much like the "Take Back the Night" events, "V-Day" is a global movement to stop violence against women and girls.

The campaign generates attention to those women and girls who were victims of rape, battery, incest, female genital mutilation, and sexual slavery. "V-Day" is a non-profit organization that distributes fundings to different organizations to help stop the violence against women and girls.

Through "V-Day" campaigns,

local residents and college students perform benefit shows of the "Vagina Monologues" to raise both money and awareness of violence against women.

The "V-Day" campaign is moving at a rapid pace and was voted in Worth's Magazine as one of the "100 Best Charities" in 2001. According to the "V-Day" website, in 2002, more than 800 V-Day benefit events were presented by local volunteer activists around the world, educating millions of people about the reality of violence against women and girls.

With all that said, it is no wonder why this year Ursinus is eager to get involved with the "V-Day" campaign. Helping organize the event this year are students on campus, faculty, and such organi-

zations like STAR.

The entire event will take place over a course of three days. The benefits of the shows and other various activities leading up to "V-Day" will go towards the Montgomery County Victim Services. If a large amount of money is generated throughout the project, then the participants would also like to donate to NREP, the National Rape Evidence Project.

However, no matter how much money is generated, ten percent of all the money raised will go to the "V-Day" spotlight, which is going to the women in Juarez, Mexico.

"V-Day" is an excellent campaign that truly makes a difference. It is a way for members of the college community to come out and support those women and girls

that have been victims.

Those who are organizing "V-Day" on campus are eager to make this campaign successful and to spread the awareness of violence against women and girls.

If you are interested in getting involved with "V-Day" you can contact Alexis Howell. People can help in many different ways including through donations, set-up, maintenance, performances, and so on. Every little bit counts in making "V-Day" a huge success on the Ursinus campus.

The "Vagina Monologues" will take place on March 3rd, 4th, and 5th in the Ritter Theatre. Students and faculty are urged to attend and witness what all the talk is about surrounding the "V-Day" campaign.

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Do Students Work?

Monica Delaney
Grizzly Staff Writer

The majority of students at this school hold some kind of a part time job during the school year. Of the twenty I approached about employment, all said they work during summers and breaks. However, two of those students do not hold a job during the school year. Be it athletic requirements or stress, some students do not work during the academic year.

Some work on-campus, some off-campus, which is usually dependent upon access to a car. Ursinus makes employment readily available to its students.

By logging onto the website, one will find the Career Services link which contains UC CareerNet. A plethora of valuable information will aide any student in getting an on-campus job. Students can fill out a profile and be informed of valuable information regarding a job.

Some students have worked the whole time they have gone to Ursinus. I am one of those, having been a tour guide since my second semester of my freshman year, as well as a Phone-a-thon caller. I continued these two jobs through my sophomore year, until I was offered a babysitting job with a local family. This has been my employment during my junior year.

Other tour guides have been at it a while, too. John Cicchetti has been working in the Admissions Office for the majority of his Ursinus career as a tour guide and is now making \$6.75 due to his yearly raises. With two shifts or more per week, John works approximately 3 to 5 hours per week.

Another interesting office job opportunity for students is at Col-

lege Communications. Meg Gallagher has worked there since her freshman year and, as a senior, works six hours a week making \$8.00 an hour.

A possibility for an athlete or avid sports fan would be a job in the Athletic Office. This department offers a variety of jobs. Jay Sabol works in the Athletics Office ten to twelve hours per week and makes \$5.50 an hour.

One more exciting job opportunity for students at all colleges is being a Resident Assistant. These jobs are not as readily available since there are a limited amount of RA spots and a stringent application/hiring process. This would be a rewarding employment opportunity to which a student would have to be very dedicated.

Two of my best friends, Heather Kaczor and Nadelle Ball, are RA's, and told me that they make nearly \$200 every two weeks by putting in fourteen hours a week on duty. What seems to be the most popular off-campus job? For girls, it would probably be babysitting. Five of the twenty I asked about jobs were girls who baby-sit local families' children.

Average pay for the area is \$10.00 per hour, which is nice because it is under the table. Most babysitters work three to six hours per week on average.

Second to babysitting, another popular off campus job was waitressing.

As you can see, whether it is on-campus or off-campus, most Ursinus students hold a job at least a few hours a week. Keep up the good work!

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Bush's Big Bungle

Bart Brooks
Grizzly Staff Writer

Remember the start of the second war with Iraq? A few months before Bush sent soldiers to Iraq, he labeled that country as a part of an "Axis of Evil." His justification was to prevent Saddam Hussein from using WMD's and to protect the American homeland from any possible attacks similar to those of September 11th.

That seems to be a familiar battle cry with Bush. All he had to do was walk up to the podium and say, "Terrorist, terrorist, terrorist, 9-11, 9-11, blow up Saddam."

Ok. So we went. American soldiers bombed Baghdad, Tikrit, and various other cities (basically, anywhere with buildings). After a few weeks of discovering "evidence" and vehemently affirming that there were WMD's in Iraq, the searches came up empty. Did Bush or his administration say, "Ok, so maybe we were wrong?"

Nope. Instead, the Bush administration tried to subtly shift the justification of the war in Iraq from the search of WMD's to the "lib-

eration of Iraq."

After Bush said that the war was officially "over," months of hard fighting ensued. American soldiers continued to fight and continued to die.

But there were still pockets of resistance in Iraq, so Bush shifted the focus of the war again from "liberation" to "capturing Saddam." Saddam's sons were killed, and eventually they found the Ace in the hole -- Saddam himself.

Recently, the American public has discovered that there was a huge intelligence mess. Where Bush claimed there was evidence of WMD's, the truth is that there was never any evidence. It was, quite simply, a guess based on a suspicion. The CIA presented pictures of warehouses as "proof."

So, the Bush administration was caught with their pants down. Speaking of pants being down, remember how quickly opponents of Clinton kept hammering the point that Clinton lied while in office? I

don't see any of them pointing their finger at Bush now. At least Clinton's lies didn't result in the deaths of American service men and women.

Bush argues that what he did in Iraq (namely, removing Saddam from power and allowing the Iraqi people at a better shot at self-government), was the right thing to do. Bush lied to get to that point. He used a quite scary threat—terrorism—and turned it into something of a joke. Remember Christmas a few years ago? If consumers didn't buy enough things, then "the Terrorists" have won.

The simple fact is that Bush is not accepting the consequences of his actions. He has yet to apologize, to make amends to those who have paid the price for his lies. There is potentially a huge political fallout, yet he's simply ignoring it and bulldozing onward. He offers no explanations and expresses no regrets.

In short, there was a huge intelligence mess, and while the CIA

has shouldered the blame (and rightly so), nobody else wants to admit that they made a mistake.

Bush sees the capture of Saddam—at the cost of hundreds of lives—a "victory." He has done quite little during the time leading up to the attacks that shook the world, and, ever since, all he's done was encourage more fighting.

American soldiers fought in Afghanistan. American soldiers fought in Iraq. American soldiers are still fighting in both places. American soldiers are still dying.

And now they have to hear that their fallen comrades might have died in vain. No wonder nobody wants to admit they made a mistake.

Bush certainly won't admit to this folly. The Bush administration will continue to defend its actions through lies and propaganda. Isn't it time someone put a stop to this? Isn't it time that people stopped dying as a result of the administration's actions?

Mel Gibson's *The Passion of Christ*: Worth the Controversy?

Brian Grzymkowski
Grizzly Staff Writer

Now is a time when cinematic powerhouses dominate the box office. Movies such as *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, *Harry Potter*, and *The Matrix* continue to awe audiences with ever-improving technology and special effects.

Even children's movies such as *Finding Nemo* and *Shrek* have become the standard across theatres nationwide.

Mel Gibson enters with a directorial idea so far from this norm that it is almost unbelievable—he portrays the last twelve hours of Christ's life in Aramaic and Latin. No English subtitles. No big name actors. It is perhaps even more mind-boggling because of who is involved—William Wallace from *Braveheart*, Martin Riggs of the *Lethal Weapon* movies, and Benjamin Martin in *The Patriot*.

Gibson has had nothing short of an impressive film career as both

an actor and a director. This is, of course, the reason why he can attempt such an undertaking at all. He has the clout, the connections, and the finances for such an endeavor.

Whether the film will be a success or a failure and what the reaction of various religious organizations will be is left to be seen, but controversy has surrounded the film production since Mel Gibson first publicly shared his intentions. It has come under fire for being both anti-Semitic and anti-Catholic, although it has not yet even been released to the public.

Though Gibson did not intend to disturb the hornets' nest, he has. Religion has always been a sensitive subject and that has not changed, even for the 21st-century.

Now, not only is his reputation on the line, but also the \$20-\$30

million that he is speculated to have put into the project himself.

And as if religious scrutiny is not enough, there is also the lightning of course. It is rarely a good omen when your leading cast member and an assistant director are struck by lightning on the set. When you are making a movie about the life of Christ and this happens, it is likely even more unsettling.

Jim Caviezel, who was chosen to play the role of Jesus, was struck by lightning once while working on the set. Jan Michelin, an assistant director, was struck in two different instances. Both survived with mild injury.

However, despite all the negativity and controversy surrounding the production, there have been some positive responses in recent weeks. Perhaps most importantly were the positive words shared by the Pope, who viewed the film and

apparently liked it.

Maybe the most important question is who will show up to see a movie done in two "dead" languages? Naturally, those who are particularly devoted to various Christian sects might take interest—some to criticize, others to praise.

Mel Gibson's movie "The Passion of Christ" opens on Ash Wednesday, February 25th. Regardless of how it performs in the box office, the pursuit of a personal dream is commendable.

What happens now as far as public response is concerned is out of Gibson's hands. He has done his best to explain himself publicly and take into account the concerns of various religious organizations. It is up to critics and the public to decide if his effort is genius or foolishness.

A Bearable V-Day at Fox and Hound

Mystery Eater
Grizzly Staff Writer

I'm not ashamed to admit that I was alone, in the romantic sense of the word, on Valentine's Day. In the physical sense I was by no means alone. I, along with four of my friends, went out for dinner and celebrated our first annual Lonely Hearts Club Ball.

We underestimated the waiting times of the restaurant on this particular holiday and drove around King of Prussia until we sniffed out *Fox and Hound*, with only a 40 minute wait.

When we walked in it didn't seem crowded and I wondered why there was such a long wait. In any event, we decided to sit at the bar until our name was called.

They offered a few specialty drinks like a spiked Raspberry Lemonade or the Red Head. I had a Classic Margarita on the rocks with salt. It was good for a pub. You don't expect to have the best margarita at a restaurant styled after an old English Pub but

it wasn't terrible.

We waited the full 40 minutes until our name was called, and the hostess apologized for the wait. She said that since the restaurant was fairly new they were still hiring servers, which caused the wait.

The five of us sat at the table and grabbed our menus immediately. The wait made us hungry. One of my friends is a vegetarian and she had her heart set on the Spinach Artichoke dip as an appetizer. The dish was made with three kinds of cheeses and mixed with spinach, artichokes, and a creamy Alfredo sauce and served with tortilla chips and salsa. The dip was great but the chips were a bit greasy.

I would have liked to try the Spicy Chicken Billiard Sticks, a combination of spicy chicken, black beans, corn, onions, peppers, and melted cheese rolled in a thin potato wrap and served with sour cream and salsa for dipping.

For dinner I was debating be-

tween the Black Forest and the soup and salad combo. The Black Forest is a sandwich with shaved turkey, peppered bacon, Monterey jack cheese, lettuce, and tomato on Bavarian pretzel roll with honey mustard. I decided to get the soup and salad combo with Caesar salad and their specialty soup, Newcastle Beer Cheese Soup.

The salad was fair but I loved the soup. It had a special kick to it and the beer brought a unique flavor. It was served in a bread bowl which was great because I tore some of the bread off the top of the bowl and dipped it in the soup. Yum! Before I knew it I devoured my soup and the bread bowl in which it was served.

Two of my friends also had the soup and salad combo except with Broccoli Cheddar soup which they enjoyed. Another friend ordered the Black Forest and liked it also, even the pretzel roll which she was a little skeptical about. My other

friend ordered a cheeseburger, nothing special there.

Our waitress came back to clear our plates and mentioned a great dessert they made, the Brownie Sundae Delight. It is served warm with vanilla ice cream and chocolate and caramel syrup with whipped cream and berries. We debated on dessert for a few minutes, but we concluded that we had left no room for it. It was very tempting, though.

The overall atmosphere of *Fox and Hound* was relaxed, even on a Saturday night. Also, the bill wasn't that high. For my meal and margarita it came to about \$18, including tips for the waitress and bartender.

The food was good, and I would definitely make the trip back to try the Black Forest and have another bowl of the Newcastle Beer Cheese Soup. And this time I'll leave room for dessert.

SPRING BREAK: Pick the suit that suits you

Brandi Salenetri
Grizzly Staff Writer

With Spring Break just around the corner, it's time to start thinking about swimsuit fashions. But before you hit the mall, consider checking out your favorite store on-line so you get a basic feel for what kind of suit you want.

The American Eagle shop (www.ae.com) offers the shopper lots of options. You can search the swimwear by color, shape, or look. The suits are reasonably priced, starting at \$24.50. The site offers many different styles of swimwear so most people can purchase a suit here. From bikini's to tankini's to one-pieces, all of the suits are stylish and made from top quality materials. All of the suits are mix and match, allowing girls with all body shapes to be stylish at the beach this year. Tops include tanks, string bikinis, halters, and bandeaus. Bottoms include string, brief, and boyshorts. This site also offers many prints, from solids, stripes, polka dots, to Hawaiian floral prints. This easy to maneuver site allows shoppers to get a basic idea about each of the pieces before they go into the store to try things on. The "Look" section offers helpful advice about the best uses for each suit: swimming, sunning, or surfing. This link also offers advice about what type of tops and bottoms would match this style suit in order to complete your summer look.

The Abercrombie and Fitch website (www.abercrombieandfitch.com) does not offer as much of a selection. The site has three different bathing suits for women and all are string bikinis. This style of suit does not work on

every body and for every summer lifestyle. Again, suggestions are made for pieces from the store's spring line to match the suits. This swimwear is also reasonably priced, with pieces around \$29.50 each.

For a more stylish suit, check out the Bebe online store (www.Bebe.com). This site of



American Eagle Swimsuits
www.ae.com

fers four collections, Chicago, Miami, New York, and Manhattan. Each line is designed with the sunbather in mind and is relatively expensive. The suits are often connected by decorative hoops and thin straps. Their site dubs their suits as "sexy and modern swimwear." The Miami line offers two different tops and bottoms each in a pinstriped design. The Chicago line offers more styles of suits all in fun black and white geometric prints. The Manhattan collection offers a more sophisticated style, all light brown suits with subtle brown strips. The New York line, on the other hand, is the

sexist line with tiny pieces sprinkled with rhinestones.

California Sunshine, (www.californiasunshine.com), has the most extensive collection of swimwear. This site offers shoppers to purchase by designer, contemporary, and separates sections. Although the site does not have as many suits as in the store, it does allow you to get some idea about the types of suits that the store carries. Because the store carries only designer suits, the suits are pricier than some might like to pay.

Aside from checking out your favorite specialty stores at the mall, remember to check out department stores. These types of stores offer many different suits and designers offering the largest selection.

If you're on a tight budget this season, check out stores like Target for fashionable swimwear at affordable prices, starting at just \$14.99. The site also allows shoppers to check out what other shoppers have said about the suit with an 'average customer rating' star system located under each suit. With an influx of designers now opting to send their designs to Target, you are able to get fashionable designer separates at dirt cheap prices.

Browsing on-line allows swimsuit shoppers to get a basic idea of the types of styles that their favorite store offers. You can easily narrow down this task. Buying swimwear often seems like a daunting task for most girls, but if you know what stores to check out before you go to the mall, you will be able to limit the amount of stress when you get to the mall.

Where to Get the HOT New Spring Fashions

Kelly Gray
Grizzly Guide Editor

After suffering through a horrid cold and snowy winter, stores have graced their customers with their new clothing lines for the spring season. You can put away those sweaters and fleece-lined pants and get out your polos and denim minis.

Abercrombie and Fitch have unleashed their new line for the spring season, which consists of polos, shirts, halters, tube tops, minis, and shorts. The Simone Pique Polo that comes in white, blue, green, orange, pink and other colors costs \$29.50. They also have the Laurel Stripe Polo, which starts at \$34.50. They have an assortment of shirts, both long and short sleeved, that start at \$34.50. The halter and tube tops come in a variety of colors and styles that start at \$19.50 and go to \$24.50. The denim and cord minis come in different colors and styles, which start at \$39.50 to \$49.50. A&F is offering a diversity of shorts from comfortable cotton to denim to khaki. The prices for the shorts start at \$19.50 and go to \$49.50. For more information about Abercrombie and Fitch clothing and items offered for both men and women go www.abercrombie.com/anf/index.html.

American Eagle Outfitters has many new styles for the upcoming spring season, which includes graphic T's, skirts, dresses, shorts, capri pants, tanks and halters. The graphic T's that come in an assortment of graphics start at \$12.50. The capri pants come in both denim and khaki in a variety of colors begin at \$39.50 and go to \$44.50. They are also offering two differ-

ent styles of a retro sundress that are \$48.00. The skirts that come in lengths from short to knee in a variety of styles and colors start at \$29.50 and go up to \$39.50. There are ten different styles and colors of tanks and halter tops that begin

before heading to the closest mall check out Express at www.expressfashion.com, JCrew at www.jcrew.com, Aeropostale at www.aeropostale.com, Gap at www.gap.com, and Old Navy at www.oldnavy.com. All of these stores have in their on-line store

what is offered at the mall. Some websites also have size charts so you can make sure that you get the correct size right from your desk chair. If you go to the store and they do not have the item you want, each website for every store has a store locator that informs the customer where the closest stores are located. All of these stores are located at the King of Prussia Mall in the Plaza section, which makes it very convenient for the Ursinus College student.

Before it gets too warm out and the prices go up, make sure you get out and get your new wardrobe for the upcoming spring season. When you pick up that new mini and polo don't forget to pick up a cute pair of flip flops! If you have any tips for new spring fashion please email The Grizzly at grizzly@ursinus.edu



American Eagle Tank Tops
www.ae.com

at \$12.50 and go to \$17.50. The prices offered at American Eagle Outfitters are drastically lower than the prices offered at Abercrombie and Fitch for the same style of clothing. For more information about prices and clothing at American Eagle Outfitters go to www.ae.com.

Many other stores are offering the same styles for the upcoming spring season. To look on-line

LOVE TRIANGLE? Advice from Noelle

Okay guys, this one's for you. Over the weekend I was approached by a fellow Ursinus student with a dilemma that he is facing concerning with two girls at UC. His situation is quite complicated; however he is desperate for advice. In his letter he explained, "I've been with my girlfriend for two years and I think I love her. However, recently her best friend has been paying me some "closer" attention. I don't want to hurt my girlfriend, but I am kind of attracted to her friend and I wouldn't mind kissing her. What do I do about this urge?"

After taking a long breathe and pondering this complicated love triangle, I searched for some answers. Since this question is geared mostly towards guys but could really go in either direction, I asked both the men and women of UC for their opinion and what they would do in this particular situation.

Coincidentally there seemed to be a popular trend running with the guys around campus. All the guys with girlfriends explained that it depended on how hot the friend was and how much she was worth it. The guys without girlfriends said hands down they would cheat on their girlfriend, with one guy quoting, "What she doesn't know won't hurt her."

On the other hand the women had a much different viewpoint. They explained, some with and some without boyfriends, that the guy shouldn't cheat on his girlfriend because if he really loved her it wouldn't be worth it and both

parties would be hurt. They also felt that he should tell his girlfriend that her best friend is hitting on him.

With all of that said, I feel I have come up with some final advice. First of all, I think you need to figure out how you really feel about your girlfriend and really think about if she's worth cheating on. Personally, the thought of you even thinking about cheating on your girlfriend with her best friend makes me think you are not fully in love with her or even love her at all. Looking at it from a different angle: maybe hooking up with someone else (not necessarily her best friend) could be a good thing to see how much you care about your girlfriend now. This test is somewhat risky. If you're willing to take it, however, I do advise that you're honest with your girlfriend about this before you explore any kind of possibilities. Finally, I don't think I would rule out the idea that the best friend of your girlfriend wouldn't tell your girlfriend if you hooked up with her - she may even be trying to trick you. You also may want to think about what kind of person this friend really is to be doing this to her best friend.

All in all, I advise you to be honest with everyone and most importantly with yourself. If you're honest with your girlfriend in the long run things could only turn into something positive, either you will realize the two of you weren't meant to be or you will realize that you really do love her. No matter the ending if you're honest with yourself you can't go wrong.
NEED ADVICE?
Email grizzly@ursinus.edu
Subject: ASK NOELLE

TEST DRIVE: Check out the 2004 Mazda RX-8

J.D. Roadster
Grizzly Staff Writer

If you have seen the new X-Men 2 movie or happened to like Mazda cars, you would notice that Mazda has brought back its world-famous sports car, the RX-8. From the outside the RX-8 seems no different than other small performance cars, but that's where it stops. Like most things in life, it's what is on the inside that counts.

Starting with the interior, you'll notice that the RX-8 is meant for four. It can easily accommodate four passengers and with its unique doors entry is an ease. The front doors are the traditional design showing a long muscular shape and high window line. The back doors are hidden from plain sight by the rear-mounted hinges that allow the doors to open opposite the front, letting people slide right into the tight backseat. Within the interior you have a choice of three accent colors, black on black, red on black, and brown on black. The interior is nicely laid out, with everything at arms reach. Dials are well lit and easily read. Throughout the interior there are triangle shaped accents hinting at what hides under the hood.

Handling for the RX-8 is heavenly. Fully independent suspension allows each wheel to grab the pavement with little effort. Stop-

ping is no problem with the 4-wheel ventilated disc brakes that are helped by Anti-lock Brake System (ABS) and Electronic Brakeforce Distribution (EBD).

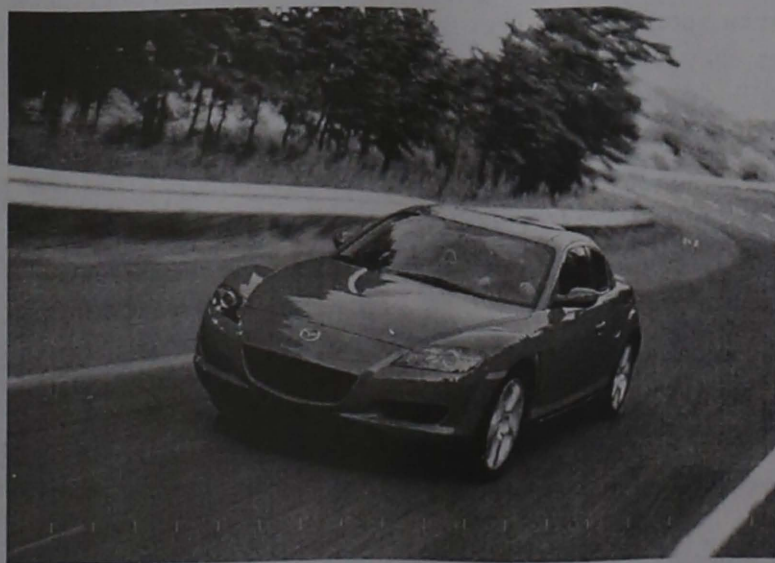
What really makes the RX-8 react with hummingbird, flicker-

part is the 238 hp engine. This is what separates the RX-8 from every other car out there. The engine has no pistons, no cylinders, and no valves. You may seem confused, but this is the nature of

mind that because there are three moving chambers, the process is happening three times in one cycle.

This is far more efficient than a traditional combustion engine. This also allows the engine to be perfectly balanced eliminating vibration, and to rev all the way to 9,000 rpms. In the 6-speed model I tested, the rotary engine reached 9000 rpms with ease and power is smooth. Whether the engine is at 2,000 rpms or 9,000, the fun never stops. It is no wonder why it received the International Engine of the Year Award. Combine this with a car that handles like its on rails and you've got yourself a non-stop rollercoaster ride.

The model I drove topped out at \$32,000. This may seem high, but keep in mind that it had leather, sun roof, heated seats, Bose sound system, power everything, and a LCD navigation screen with GPS. Dollar per dollar, I think it beats out every car in its class. If you don't think this car is enough fun for you, be patient. There will likely be a twin-turbo MAZDASPEED RX-8 on the way soon. I got to test drive the RX-8 courtesy of the nice people at John Kennedy Mazda, in Norristown. I recommend try a test drive for yourself and you'll be hooked.



2004 Mazda RX-8
www.masdausa.com

quick reflexes is the cars layout. What I specifically mean is that the small engine size (I'll get to next) and design allow for a low polar moment and little weight to hang over the four corners. Additionally, 50:50 weight distribution (meaning the car is perfectly balanced) produces a ride that will be hard to match even in \$50k plus sports cars.

Lastly, the most revolutionary

the Renesis Rotary Engine. If you look at the picture of the cut-away of the engine you'll notice that it's basically a triangle inside an oval. What happens is the fuel is let in through the intake valve (top hole). As the rotor spins it compresses the fuel until it is ignited by the spark plugs opposite the intake hole. The rotor keeps spinning until the exhaust gas is let out the exhaust valve (bottom hole). Keep in

MEN'S BASKETBALL:

Fighting Their Way to the Playoffs

Crystal McCarney
Grizzly Sports Writer

After an impressive 89-70 victory over Dickinson on Valentine's Day, the men's basketball team had just an exciting showing against Haverford College this past Wednesday.

The Bears continued their Centennial Conference winning streak beating Haverford 96-74.

Dennis Stanton led the way scoring 30 of his game-high 45 points in the first half as Ursinus built a 46-38 halftime lead.

Stanton, the nation's leading scorer, connected on 15-of-24 shots including six three-pointers.

Mike McGarvey added 14 points, eight assists and five steals.

Will Furey continues to make a notable freshmen year debut as he scored 11 points and blocked three shots.

Joe Scholz grabbed a game-high 14 rebounds for the Bears.

This was a great win for the team and a great time for Ursinus student's as two bus loads of fans took the road trip to cheer on the men.

Later in the week, the team headed to Johns Hopkins for another tough Centennial Conference game.

Unfortunately, they fell short 65-72 in the match up.

Hopkins opened the game with a 19-0 run in the first 5:16 of the game.

However, Ursinus scored the next eight points, and after Hopkins went back up 26-11 at the 11:06 mark, the Bears went on a 17-2

late in the second half putting them up 61-54 with 5:04 remaining on the clock.

The Bears got within 63-60 at the 2:57 mark following a three-point play by Joe Scholz, but Hopkins' junior forward, Eric Toback hit a free throw and teammate, sophomore guard, Frank Mason, converted on a lay-up to make it a 66-60 game with 1:51 on the clock.

The Bears got within 69-65 at the 41 second mark after a lay-up by Will Furey and a free throw by Dennis Stanton, but Hopkins' senior guard Matt Righter and senior guard Kevin Marquez each hit two free throws down the stretch to seal the victory.

Stanton led the Bears with 25 points. He entered the game as the Division III leading scorer at 32.4 points per game.

The Bears, who fell to 15-9 overall and 11-6 in the league, will be the second or third seed in the Centennial Conference tournament.

The tournament will begin this Saturday and will be held at Franklin and Marshall. Hopkins and Ursinus will face each other at 1:30 in the tournament's first semifinal game.

run to tie the game at 28-28 with 5:58 remaining in the first half.

Mike McGarvey, who scored all of his 20 points in the first half, hit a jumper with four seconds remaining to send the teams to the half tied at 41-41.

The second half started slow for both teams but once they got started there was plenty of excitement and just as many lead changes with practically every trip down the court.

Hopkins went on an 11-0 run



Wrestling Team Dominates the Conference

Bill Stiles
Asst. Dir. of Athletics

LEXINGTON, Va. — The Ursinus College wrestling team scored 109 points and had six individual champions en route to their second consecutive Centennial Conference wrestling championship and their sixth overall.

Junior Scott Roesch was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler after capturing the 157-pound title with a 7-3 decision over McDaniel's Mikey Blake.

Roesch pinned Muhlenberg's Chris Gibson to advance to the finals.

Eddie Murray (125), Brian Boland (133), Sean Howard (165), Kyle Capella (174) and Mike Troutman (184) each won titles in

their respective weight classes.

It is the third individual championship for Howard and the second for Murray and Troutman.

Murray used a technical fall and a pin to reach the finals where he earned a 9-7 decision over Johns Hopkins' John Witzbenbocker while Boland scored a 3-1 decision over Hopkins' Jason Suslavich in the 133-pound final.

Roesch pinned Muhlenberg's Chris Gibson in the semifinals before topping Mikey Blake of McDaniel, 7-3, in the 157-pound championship.

At 165, Howard used a 9-2 decision to reach the finals and defeated Gettyburg's Joshua Kaplan

by an identical score in the final.

Capella reached the 174-pound finals when he pinned Pepe Frank (McDaniel) in 16 seconds.

In the finals he topped Hopkins' David Kraus, 9-3.

Troutman, the Most Outstanding Wrestler at the 2003 championship, pinned McDaniel's Steve Ferdyce in the 184-pound semifinals before garnering a 14-5 major decision win over Hopkins' Rob Curry in the championship.

Sean Donahoe (141), Mike Mergott (197) and Adam Parcel (285) each finished third while Kyle Hart took fourth at 149.

Philly Soul: A New Arena Football Team

Eden Swick
Grizzly Sports Writer

The Philly Soul, charged by singer Jon Bon Jovi, is the newest sports team to hit the Philadelphia sports scene.

It is added onto the roster of 18 other teams in the Arena Football League (AFL), and, not only gives its audiences a show of stadium laughs and entertainment, but also provides an exciting competition between two football teams.

Their season is off to a great start, with NBC broadcast ratings claiming that "Week one on NBC" 132 percent versus the Week 1 rating in 2003. Why Bon Jovi?

Curious why he decided to take co-ownership of Philly's first arena football league and becomes a Philly Soul Man?

He said picking the city was an easy choice.

"This is a very sports-minded town. You know what they think of their sports teams. They love them, they love to hate them. But they'll love you if you try, if you give everything you have, if you go above and beyond," he said.

After a disappointing Eagles loss to the North Carolina Panthers,

this is a great way to get some Philly spirit back.

He continues in saying, "I'm a football fanatic.

I like other sports, but I love

crowd of 17,484.

But what exactly are the rules of arena football? How is it different from the real deal? In a nutshell here is a break down of the rules of the game.

There are four 15-minute quarters with a 15-minute half time.

If the game goes to overtime 15 minutes will be added on the clock, and each team gets one possession to score, much like college football.

There are only twenty active players with four on reserve so some players have to play offense and defense, which is called iron man football.

A touchdown equals six points, and punting the ball is illegal. The team must go for a first down, touchdown or a field goal, and the receiving team can field a misplaced field goal if it rebounds off the nets.

So Philly fans enjoy your newest football team. It's there for your enjoyment and entertainment.

Maybe this is the "Soul" Philly needs to get their hometown hype going for next year's Eagle's season.



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football," Bon Jovi said.

"I live and die football. The day after the Super Bowl, I usually go into mourning" (E! Online News).

Well, football fans, thanks to Jon Bon Jovi and real estate developer Craig Spensor, you have an extra Philadelphia football season to look forward to.

The Philadelphia Soul started out with a bang with a sold-out crowd of screaming fans versus the New Orleans Voodoo, with a capacity

Grimmel Named ECAC Division III Gymnast of the Year

Bill Stiles
Asst. Dir. of Athletics

The Ursinus College women's gymnastics team scored 183.575 points to finish fourth at the ECAC Championships at Cortland.

Ursinus sophomore Kristen Grimmel was named the ECAC Division III Gymnast of the Year.

Grimmel was a double All-ECAC honoree, finishing second on vault (9.45) and fourth in the all-

around competition (37.30).

She also took eighth in the floor exercise.

Desiree Yuhasz tied for second on balance beam with a 9.625.

Megan Hollern finished eighth in the all-around competition and 10th on the balance beam, while Jenny Rae Fouse tied for eighth on the uneven bars.

Ursinus will join Cortland, Ithaca and Brockport in representing the East Region in the National Collegiate Gymnastics (NCGA) Division III Championships on March 28-29 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

LETTER TO THE EDITORS: Sports Coverage Concerns

Dear Editors:

You ask the community to tell you what surprises us, so I shall. I am stunned at the inadequate coverage of the women? gymnastic team on the sports page (Feb. 19, 2004). While half the page is devoted to pro all-star games (NFL & NHL) which have no bearing on the campus but are covered by Grizzly staff (so it? not a staffing issue), the extraordinary accomplishments of the women? gymnastics squad is relegated to miniscule coverage at the bottom of the page, with coverage provided by the Athletics department rather than the paper.

This is not adequate. The Ursinus community does not need to be told of events that occurred far away from the campus. It does need to be told about events on campus or involving the campus. The only team that is being covered with any regularity is men? basketball. The team deserves coverage, but not because it is successful. It deserves cover-

age, as do the swim team, women? b-ball, wrestling, and gymnastics because they represent US.

Don't bore us with repetitive and derivative ramblings about things that do not relate to us. I can read about the all-star games at ESPN.com, in the Inquirer or SI, or myriad other places, and TV coverage is vast. When I pick up the Grizzly I want to read about Ursinus.

Sincerely,

Hugh Clark
East Asian Studies

Dr. Clark,

Thank you very much for taking the time to express your concerns to us. We, the Editors of the Grizzly, strive to present interesting and insightful material to our readership. It has been

our observation that many students on campus are interested in national sports information and would find our publication inadequate without that kind of coverage. It has also been our experience that other college newspapers report on national sports news as well.

We are a student-run newspaper staffed entirely by students. We greatly appreciate the contributions of Bill Stiles, Assistant Director of Athletics, because we are able to provide notice to the sports teams that deserve attention when our staff writers have been assigned elsewhere.

We agree that the other sports teams on campus deserve coverage, and we encourage them to submit team information and contact information so we can arrange for the recognition they deserve.

The Eds.