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Ursinus enjoys sixth Annual CoSA event

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This year Ursinus' annual CoSA was marked a very unique and special experience for UC by presenters, observers and faculty. Having the honor of welcoming Dr. Bobby Fong as our new president, the UC Community was filled with enthusiasm about his visit yesterday.

CoSA, or the Celebration of Student Achievement, celebrated its sixth year here at Ursinus. The day-long event is dedicated to student accomplishments in the fields of academics, service, and extracurricular activities. The commemoration was started so that the entire campus community would be involved in showcasing all of the great work that students have done in and out of the classroom.

Although other colleges celebrate student achievement, Ursinus gets everyone involved and all presentations are welcomed and encouraged. CoSA is not just

a time to showcase senior projects, although that is one aspect of its purpose. There are presentations and performances from all different student groups. It gives the campus an opportunity to embrace equality among different majors and fields of study. All of the presenters went through an application process, but the faculty members involved did not restrict any presentations.

Almost 300 students presented and this year's Quiz Bowl between faculty and students was the newest CoSA feature! All poster presentations that were up in Pfahler displayed how knowledgeable and passionate UC students are about their work. The artistic and



Senior Katie Callahan prepares for CoSA with fellow seniors Danny Tomblin and Alex Shivers. Photo by Mark Stipa

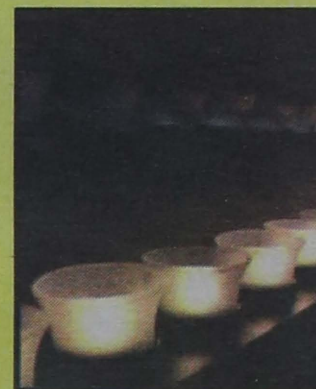
creative performances in the Kaleidoscope reached new heights and the oral presentations in Olin and Bomberger were insightful and professional.

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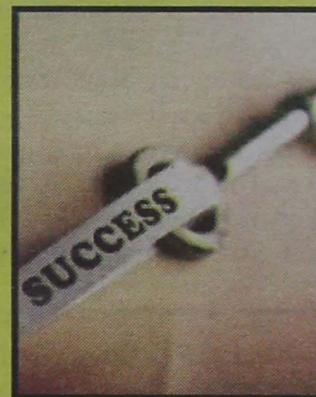
tor of Student Fellowships and Scholarships at Ursinus and CoSA's head coordinator said prior to the event that "not only will

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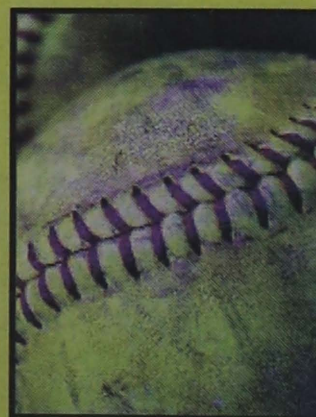
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Students participate in 30-hour famine

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Did you see the email last week about people not eating for thirty hours? People sleeping outside in boxes? Did you believe that people would actually do that?

Well, last Friday, April 8th, the members of the Intersivity Christian Fellowship did.

"My favorite part was praying instead of eating during meal-times," said Intersivity Christian Fellowship member James Harper.

And as crazy as giving up basic necessities like food and a bed without necessity might seem, the Intersivity Christian Fellowship did it to prove a point.

"I did it so I could get my stomach to shut up and listen to God," senior Danny Tomblin said. "It wasn't really hard. Whenever I'd start to get hungry, I'd think that there are a lot of people hungrier than me."

"I'm definitely more aware about hunger and homelessness now than I was before I started preparing for the 30 hour famine," Harper said. Even so, Harper states that just being aware isn't enough.

"If all we got from the 30 hour famine is awareness, I don't think we'll ever look back and see that we made a real difference," Harper said. "In my own life, I've

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Haverford Professor guest lectures on physics theory

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On Tuesday, April 5, the Society of Physics Students presented a lecture from Dr. Steve Boughn of Haverford College about one of the most important questions in physics today: the apparent incompatibility of quantum mechanics and classical physics.

Boughn explained that one of the great challenges in physics is unifying the quantum theory of physics and the classical theory of physics, which assume completely different behavior of objects on the small scale and objects on the large scale. To do so, scientists have theorized that gravity can have a property similar to that of

light, where it is released in small units. Whereas light is released in small pockets of energy called photons, which have a wave nature, gravity would be released in gravitons, which also have a wave nature. If the existence of gravitons were proven, it would be a large step in unifying physics because it proves that gravity, a force of classical physics, actually exists in a form described by quantum mechanics.

However, here arises a problem, according to Boughn. There is no evidence for the existence of gravitons. To demonstrate, Boughn shared a thought experiment. He stood at the front

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International News with Lisa: Jail sentence and airstrikes

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Monday, Apr. 4

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN – Some are questioning Afghan President Hamid Karzai's role in riots in Afghanistan that left 21 dead and 150 wounded. The violence occurred in response to Florida pastor Terry Jones' decision to burn a Koran on March 20. A few days after the burning, Karzai condemned Jones' actions in a statement that some say was unnecessarily provocative. The event was not widely known in Afghanistan until Karzai's statement, and it helped

create public anger toward the United States. However, Afghan officials say that the United States' response to the Koran burning was too little, too late. Some western diplomats are acknowledging that it was "naïve" to think the Koran burning would go unnoticed. "We all thought, genuinely, that it would just go unnoticed. Karzai did notice," said one anonymous source. (*Washington Post Online*)

Thursday, Apr. 7

BEIJING, CHINA – A Chinese official announced Thursday that Ai Weiwei, a famous artist and outspoken social critic, is currently being detained for "economic crimes," even as criticism from foreign officials and liberal Chinese increases. He did not address why news of Ai's detention is being withheld from his family. The remarks came after a news report making the same claim appeared on the Chinese and English-language versions of Xinhua, China's state-run news agency. The report went online around midnight, and was removed a few hours later, adding

to suspicion surrounding Ai's detention. Convictions of financial fraud have been used in the past by the Chinese government seeking to silence dissenting citizens. Ai's detention is one of many as part of a recent, harsh crackdown on liberal thought in China, ever since Internet postings in February encouraged citizens to protest the Chinese government's rule. Though no protests have occurred, many Chinese are frustrated by the crackdown. (*New York Times Online*)

Thursday, Apr. 7

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL – A gunman killed 12 children in a Rio de Janeiro school before turning the gun on himself, police announced Thursday. The killer, 24-year-old Wellington de Oliveira, entered the school with two guns and a suicide note. He told school officials he was there to make a speech before he opened fire. Oliveira was a former student at the school and police said they believe he was mentally unstable, citing the contents of the suicide note, but it was unclear whether Oliveira had shown such

signs before. Oliveira had no prior police record. The incident is deeply shocking for Brazil, where such school shootings are unheard of. (*Reuters, hosted on NewsDaily.com*)

Friday, Apr. 8

I V O R Y C O A S T – Ivory Coast's incumbent president Laurent Gbagbo continued Friday to keep a stronghold in the presidential mansion, despite more reports of ethnic violence and continued demands from the international community for Gbagbo to step down. Some analysts say that Gbagbo's stubbornness comes from a desire to create problems for his opponent, Alassane Ouattara, whose victory in presidential



Artist Ai Weiwei.
Photo courtesy of chinaexpat.co

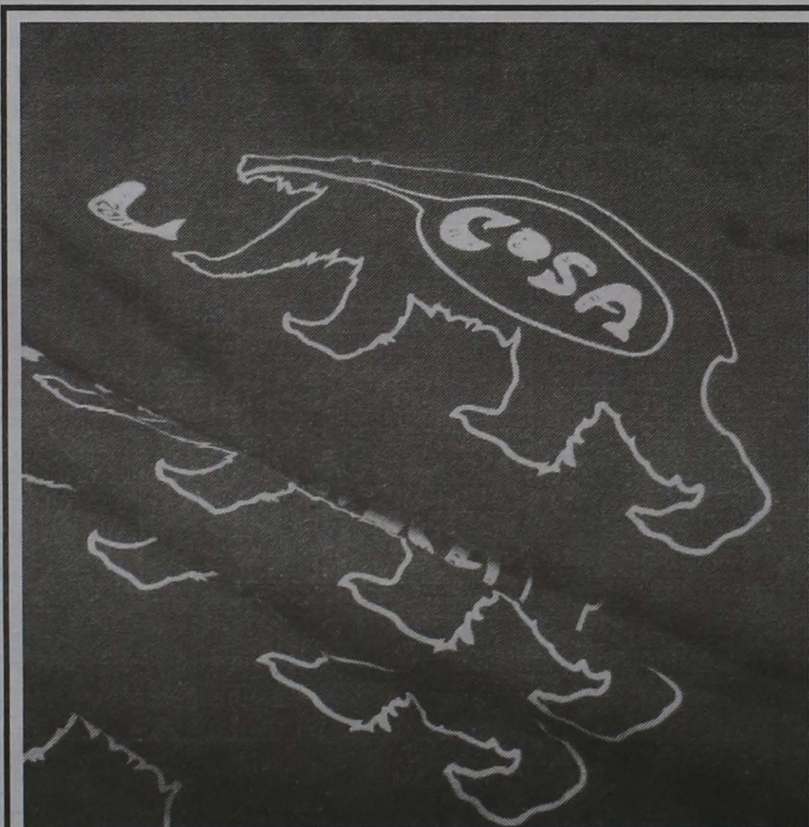
elections last year is recognized by the United Nations. Many of Ouattara's rebel fighters are now accused for carrying out some of the ethnic violence that has been rocking Ivory Coast. According to a human rights spokesperson with the UN, over 100 bodies have been found in Ivory Coast in the past 24 hours. (*New York Times Online*)

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students learn something but maybe even more than that they'll be inspired by what their peers are doing and be proud to be at a college that has such diverse opinions and interests. It's good to come out to support that and recognize that this is who we are; we value original ideas and hard work."

With the success of CoSA, the countless hours of hard work and dedication that were put into this event were obvious. Students are heard discussing presentations and performances well through the end of the semester. Dr. Weight has stated that in surveys taken in the past most students who are not presenting come out to watch their peers and understand all of the devotion they have to their particular cause, hobby or study.

There is no doubt that Ursinus' CoSA celebration will continue to grow and that with each coming year more students will get involved and presentations and performances will get more creative and impressive. Students who come out to watch presentations



This year's winning CoSA design.
Photo by Katie Callahan

and watch their friends and peers have little regret. Every originally scheduled class was postponed to a later date and the turn out this year was better than ever. Many students used their free time wisely and supported their school and the UC community. With the success of its sixth year, there are

high hopes for CoSA to continue to expand and redefine achievement in the liberal arts from all angles of student life. For information on how to get involved next year e-mail studentachievement@ursinus.edu or visit the CoSA website.

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Dr. Ruth Rosenberg speaks on Holocaust Remembrance

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On Monday, Apr. 4, Dr. Ruth Rosenberg, daughter of Holocaust survivor Mr. Reuven Schanzer, spoke to members of the Ursinus community as a part of Ursinus' annual Holocaust Remembrance.

Mr. Reuven Schanzer was scheduled to speak about "The Last Train From Berlin" and his experience of fleeing Germany at the beginning of the Holocaust. However, due to illness, Mr. Schanzer was unable to attend the event. Instead, Dr. Rosenberg presented Mr. Schanzer's story on her father's behalf. Dr. Rosenberg was extremely familiar with her father's story because she and Ursinus' Professor Frances Novack are helping Mr. Schanzer write his memoirs regarding his flight from Germany.

Although Mr. Schanzer, 87, is currently working on his memoir, his daughter explained that he wasn't always so willing to dis-

cuss his experiences leaving Germany. Dr. Rosenberg said that when she was younger, her father would never discuss his past. She only learned of his story "in bits and pieces." It wasn't until a year ago that Mr. Schanzer decided to write a memoir to share his experience with future generations.

Mr. Schanzer grew up in Germany with his parents and four siblings. The oppression of the Jews in Germany started slowly. It wasn't until Kristallnacht, also known as the Night of Broken Glass, on Nov. 9, 1938, that the Schanzer family realized that they were no longer safe in Germany. In August of 1940, Mr. Schanzer and five other young men were granted permission to take, what would be, the last legal transport out of Germany. Mr. Schanzer was forced to leave everything behind and would never see any of his family members again.

According to Dr. Rosenberg, her father's trip from Germany to Haifa was long, cramped, and

uncomfortable. When the ships approached Haifa, the British soldiers would not let the Germans into Palestine. However, after a ship explosion, Mr. Schanzer swam to shore and was placed in a concentration camp because he was an illegal immigrant. Mr. Schanzer, along with other young men in the camp, was eventually taken in by a family on a kibbutz. Once he settled in the new country, Dr. Rosenberg's father joined the British Army for over three years. In 1946, Mr. Schanzer joined the Israeli Defense Forces and fought in Israel's War of Independence.

Mr. Schanzer married a female soldier in the IDF, with whom he had one son and two daughters. Dr. Rosenberg explains that her family moved from Israel to America in 1962, when she was twelve years old. Her

father had some aunts and uncles in New York who had left Germany before the trouble all began.

Although he was lucky to connect with a few relatives, he was never reconnected with any of his immediate family. "My father was the only one out of five children to survive the Holocaust"

"My father was the only one out of five children to survive the Holocaust"

stated Dr. Rosenberg.

When Dr. Rosenberg finished telling her father's story, she passed around pictures of her father and his family, while taking questions from the audience. One student asked about how the Holocaust and his experiences affected Mr. Schanzer's faith. Dr. Rosenberg answered saying that her father is now an atheist and had told her that, "if there was a God, he died in Auschwitz with the rest of us." Still, according to his daughter, Mr. Schanzer is proud to be a Jew.

Dr. Rosenberg's presentation of her father's experiences greatly affected students and faculty alike. A few students in the audience, like Sophomore Adam Rosenberg, were the grandchildren of Holocaust survivors. Rosenberg explained that hearing about Mr. Schanzer's experience "makes me want to learn more about my grandmother's survival story." At the same time, Rosenberg also commented on how the talk reminded him that "acts of genocide are still taking place today in Darfur." Commemorating the Holocaust not only reminds us of the evils that have taken place in our past, but also about how similar horrific events are still occurring today.

Yom Hashoah, also known as the Holocaust Remembrance Day, commemorates the six million Jewish people who were killed during the Holocaust. This year Yom Hashoah takes place on May 1.

Ursinus welcomes Patti Smith

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Patti Smith read from her memoir, "Just Kids," and sang a few of her songs on Apr. 5.

Smith is a rock musician, poet, artist, writer and friend of Robert Frank, whose photographs are the focus of *Ursinus is Talking About* this semester. Smith first worked with Frank when he directed the video for her single "Summer Cannibals" in 1996.

"Just Kids," Smith's memoir and tribute to her "wonderful friendship with Robert Mapplethorpe," is a New York Times bestseller and the winner of the 2010 National Book award.

Many excited fans of Smith's, from students, to teachers, to community members, poured into Lenfest Theatre to witness Smith's charismatic performance.

From the moment Smith walked on stage and greeted the audience, she gave off a friendly aura that set an intimate mood for the presentation.

Smith began the evening with a poem from 1970 in which she reflected on what it means to be American. "I think about Robert Frank's photographs - broke down jukeboxes in Gallup, New Mexico, swaying hips and spurs,

ponytails and syphilitic cowpokes, hash slingers, the glowing black tarp of U.S. 285 and the Hoboken stars and stripes."

Smith visited the Berman Museum of Art and Franks' exhibit, *Spaces, Places and Identity: Robert Frank "Portraits"* earlier in the day. "It is a wonderful exhibit. I have seen pieces from the show before but have never seen them set up that way before," said Smith.

She then read an excerpt from "Just Kids" about her first trip to an art museum when she was twelve; when she became "hungry to be an artist." Smith told the story of her large family traveling to the Philadelphia art museum with descriptive detail and a poetic rhythm. She spoke of Picasso's work and how his "brutal confidence took my breath away."

Next, Smith read a powerful excerpt about the summer of 1967 when she decided to move to New York City. She told the story of "the summer I met Robert Mapplethorpe," and "the summer of love," with inspiring images of the events of the time period and the things that surrounded her.

The vivid detail included in Smith's memoir, she later revealed, was made possible by her writings done in her diary every day of her life. "I know ev-

ery time I cut Robert's hair," said Smith.

One piece of her memoir that she shared told a story of her days living in the Chelsea Hotel, a historic New York City hotel that is known for being home to numerous writers, musicians, and artists including Bob Dylan, Virgil Thomson, Charles Bukowski and Janis Joplin. "I loved [the Chelsea Hotel] because every day you saw people who were giving us so much of our culture" said Smith.

She also told an amusing story of a day spent in Washington Square Park when Smith and Mapplethorpe were young and in love. A touristy couple encountered them and argued over whether or not they were worth a snapshot. Their final answer was, "They're just kids," and gave Smith a name for her memoir.

Between readings, Smith shared a few of her poetic rock and roll songs. She played "Wing" and "Grateful." She also played "My Bleaken Years," and revealed that these lyrics came to her in a dream.

Smith shared some of her original lullaby's by the request of the audience, and ended with her hit single "Because the Night." Her powerful but graceful voice brought the audience to its feet.

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of Phaler Auditorium and moved his arm up and down, and asked himself the rate at which he was emitting gravitons. "I calculated that it would take me 1,000 times the age of the universe to produce a single graviton." Even more troublesome, he calculated that to measure gravitons, he would have to place a measuring device at the bottom of a black hole. Boughn described why this is a problem: "Physics is an experimental science," and one needs evidence to theorize, which by this means indicates that there is a fundamental problem with the theory of the existence of gravitons.

This made Boughn think. What he decided was that maybe gravitons did not exist at all. "It seems reasonable," says Boughn, "to at least consider the possibility that gravity is an entirely classical, non-quantum phenomenon."

This theory, he explained, would mean that "only classical matter is the source of gravity," and waves do not contribute to gravity at all.

However, he pointed out

some problems associated with this theory. For example, at large scales, it is apparent that objects obey classical physics, and in microscale, it is apparent that they act as quantum objects; however, there is a gray line in the middle where it is unknown how objects will behave. Boughn mitigates this problem by suggesting that experiments can determine how objects act.

In 1960, the Pound-Rebka experiment showed that the gravitational pull of the earth can increase the frequency of a gamma ray as it approaches the earth.

Although Boughn has a possible explanation for how particles should act together, he voiced another possible explanation, that "there is a reality we might never be able to describe mathematically." However, that does not satisfy an avid physicist like Boughn, and he plans to take time off for research in near future. This lecture, like many others, broadened the knowledge of Ursinus students, who are primarily biology majors. Although complicated, its accessibility showed that scientific curiosity is common to all those interested in the natural sciences.

Check out Community Day this Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. outside of the Kaleidoscope. There will be food, games, live entertainment, and more!

Tips on surviving and salvaging bad internships

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When you accept an internship offer, you may be accepting anything from a paid to unpaid position, a position with high levels of independent responsibility, or one that requires you to fetch coffee and make photocopies. Today's media has stereotyped internship positions, especially those depicting work in high-fashion publication companies, through shows like *Ugly Betty* and the movie *The Devil Wears Prada*. As sophomore Jessica Orbon discovered interning at *Vogue*, the clichés of working in such a field are partly based in truth. Though Orbon didn't have the ideal internship experience, she was able to spin positives out of negatives, and as in any internship, there are ways of

salvaging your experience when you find that your internship may not meet your expectations.

The first piece of advice Alison Green gives in her article "10 Tips to Get the Most Out of Your Internship" on money.usnews.com is to initially know what to expect from the people you'll be working with and the work you'll be doing. Green writes: "Generally, the idea behind an internship is to give you some basic exposure to day-to-day work in your field. In most cases, you will not be doing glamorous, substantive work; you'll be making other people's lives easier. In exchange, you get exposure to the field and work experience to put on your resume." Orbon realized after the fact that her chosen internship couldn't offer her any further knowledge or expertise than she already possessed. "The

few things that someone who was new to the field could have learned I knew already," she says. In order to avoid this scenario, the best approach is to gather all the knowledge possible on the internship beforehand.

With an experienced perspective, Orbon says, "Ask around among people that have had the internship before you accept. I was so excited to just be [at *Vogue*] that when I had my interview, I should have realized that there wouldn't be much for me to do, and that everything I was observing was just a normal office, just replace paper with couture." In the article "Surviving a Bad Internship" on igrad.com, Bunny Smith echoes Orbon's advice to gather information from experienced peers before making a commitment: "Ask around, first...be proactive and ask around on job board sites, creative

professional sites, and discussion sites."

Orbon's experience working in an unfriendly office environment enabled her to see what she conversely wants in a future job position: "I still have a great interest in fashion but I think I would like to do something that gives me some more creativity and expression within my position." For

students who may not have the ideal internship experience, keep in mind that you can always make the situation a learning experience at the least. Orbon notes, "I think I know myself better now and I can tell an employer what I want and what I expect from a professional experience." As an intern, you're



Jess Orbon compared her internship to "The Devil Wears Prada"
 Photo Jess Orbon

gathering perspective on what you'd like in your future career path - if you are unsatisfied with the work you're doing, you at least know enough to avoid that in the future, when your time and money become much larger matters.

Hypnotist brings laughs



BE211 Management team High Hopes Organization brought Hypnotist Marshall Manlove to campus last Wednesday. Manlove (center) is pictured with team members Mike D'Amico, Noah Levin, Ryan Furlong, Jen Wolf, and Elle Kurz (not pictured, Gary Boyson). The event raised over \$200 for the Make-a-Wish foundation.
 Photo by Katie Callahan

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noticed that all 'awareness' seems to do is make people feel guilty. To change the world, we also need more love for God and our neighbors, and we need more strength so we can persevere and fight the good fight. I'm really glad the Famine forced me to confront hunger and homelessness, because I don't want to live in a fantasy world where those issues don't exist."

"I think this event will motivate people to help," Tomblin said, "People did it because of different motivations, but once you start to realize what it feels like to be hungry, it definitely changes your attitude towards people that have to be hungry all

the time."

And the Intersarsity Christian Fellowship isn't stopping with just spreading awareness about what it's like to be homeless and hungry, though this is a daunting reality within itself.

"We're doing as much as we can," Harper said. "We meet every Wednesday night at 9pm in the Wismer Parents' Lounge, and we always like to see new faces. We'll also be at Relay for Life!"

The Intersarsity Christian Fellowship also has small group Bible studies that meet throughout the week, in addition to their Wednesday night meetings.

"I always wish for more people," Harper said, "But the turnout [for the 30 hour famine] was pleasing, especially since it was raining! We had a good group."

What could motivate students to go thirty hours without food, and in addition, spend their Friday nights outside in boxes aside from spreading awareness about world poverty and hunger?

To Harper, the answer was to get closer to God. "King David wrote in Psalm 63, 'O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.' We believe only God can truly satisfy us, so for me the Famine was a great time to ignore my normal hungers for 30 hours and focus on my deepening hunger for God," Harper said.

If anyone wants to be a part of the Intersarsity Christian Fellowship newsletter, simply email James at jaharper@ursinus.edu.

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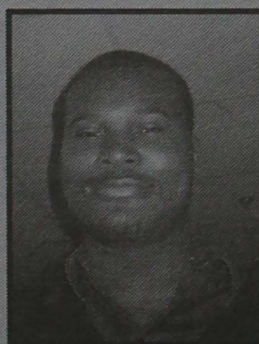
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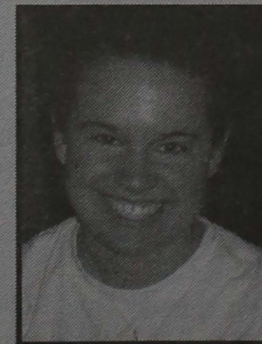
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How to avoid allergy season

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It is that time of year again, people are starting to suffer from seasonal allergies. No one is sure what to do, what to take, and where to go. They are tired of carrying around tissues. An article written by Christine Richmond, for mensfitness.com, entitled "Beat Seasonal Allergies," writes about a few good tips to avoid the hassle of allergies.

1. Leave your shoes at the door. Richmond writes that by wearing shoes inside, you can "track pollen and allergies all over your house."
2. Shower before bed. It is important to avoid moving all the pollen from your body and hair on to the pillow. Showering will clear it all off, Richmond says.
3. Move your workouts indoors. "Especially if you're a morning guy - pollen counts are the highest between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m." Richmond added.
4. Bust out the shades. The

pollen can get into your eyes, Richmond explains. Sunglasses, or glasses will keep it out.

5. Wash your car. Keep it clean - inside and out.

6. Cut back on sugar and dairy. "Milk and its by-products can increase mucus production, so cutting back when you have symptoms will help you breathe easier," Richmond reports.

Doctors at Boston Medical Center also have offered some tips. Dr. Fredrick Little was interviewed in an article on bmc.org entitled, "Ask the Expert: Avoiding Seasonal Allergies."

When asked how best to treat allergies, Dr. Little explained that "It really depends on how bothered you are by your allergies. Short-acting antihistamines like Benadryl® or Alavert® are effective but can cause drowsiness."

Dr. Little was asked what

other ways can people avoid pollen besides medicine. His

best advice is to try to "control exposure to outdoor allergens. The best thing you can do is to minimize the amount of pollen entering the house." Little says that simply by closing the windows and the house and relying on the air conditioning can have a huge impact.

"I would recommend that people with severe pollen allergies consider changing their clothing when they come into the house from outside and put used clothing in a hamper or wash it right away."

So there it is, a few simple tips and ways to help yourself with the miserable weather and horrible seasonal allergies. Keep your eyes on the weather to see what the pollen count is so you can decide how best to handle the day. Happy springtime and happy allergy season!



Photo by Katie Callahan

Linking up with LinkedIn

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You're about ready to graduate and take the next step after Ursinus, so perhaps you're ready to make the step up from Facebook as well? There's another networking site out there that you may have heard of: LinkedIn. It takes all the benefits of Facebook, eliminating the annoying status updates and attention to petty details, while providing the added benefit of job networking opportunities and connections.

LinkedIn's website describes itself as follows: "LinkedIn is the world's largest professional network with over 100 million members and growing rapidly. LinkedIn connects you to your trusted contacts and helps you exchange knowledge, ideas, and opportunities with a broader network of professionals." Signing up for LinkedIn is free, and there's also the added bonus of a LinkedIn mobile app so you can network on the go.

Even better yet, LinkedIn has just recently developed a job portal for students and recent graduates, providing easy access to entry-level jobs and internships at some of the best companies worldwide. You can access the site at linkedin.com/studentjobs. As noted in the recent email sent out by Career Services, "Anyone can search and view job listings on the public Student Job Portal, [but] LinkedIn members with a completed profile and connections have a much richer job search experience."

Senior Sarah Anne Rosner is excited that this Job Portal is now available. "It is great that career services is making great strides to help us after we graduate. It

is nice to know they are giving us more ways to connect and link ourselves to others."

Joining LinkedIn and accessing this job portal allows the site to recommend jobs based on your education and interests directly on your LinkedIn homepage or via optional email alerts. The student job portal is also available in any of the languages supported on the general site, and features jobs from top employers around the globe. As mentioned before, each connection you make expands your network: you can connect with fellow students or Ursinus alums to see where they've found jobs, in addition to connecting with family friends and past employers.

If you have the time, check out this informative video featured on LinkedIn's website for a great overview along with additional information: linkedin.com/students/step-1/. LinkedIn features over 60 million professionals, 200,000 plus organizations, over 150 industries, 2.1 million students, and 37,000 university groups. For starting tips in expanding your network, it's a good idea to join your University Alumni Group.

Maybe you feel like a recent college graduate wouldn't really have a use for a site featuring seasoned professionals, but having few connections and little experience is even more reason to join and begin the process of branching out connections to those in your industry or potential field.

If you are interested in seeing what other options are available for ways of networking and connecting feel free to stop by career services, on the first floor of Bomberger, Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm.

Internship Spotlight: Lindsay Budnick

By Sarah Bollert of
Career Services

Lindsay Budnick, a senior Environmental Studies major with a minor in Biology, interned for nine weeks this past summer in San Francisco, California at Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary Visitor Center.

As a NOAA (National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration) scholar, Budnick is required to complete a relevant internship in order to maintain her two year Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship. She found the opportunity to intern at the Visitor Center by making cold calls to places NOAA recommended or had previous scholars' placed at.

Budnick, whose Honor's research pertains to sharks, chose the Gulf of the Farallones location to "learn more" first-hand on the subject. Working at the education facility, Budnick created a "lesson plan from scratch about the sharks," along with a 14-foot wooden White Shark model, with one side featuring the shark's organs, to serve as "an interactive lesson" for visiting children ages 3-14. Budnick also "pretty much ran the center." She says she was

responsible for answering any questions visitors may have about the area's marine life.

Budnick also created a program about seals and sea lions, and helped with "crabbing," where she'd take the visiting children to interact with crabs collected near the pier. Her role was "both teaching [the children] about them and making sure they didn't try to aggravate [the crabs] and get their fingers pinched off."

"My day-to-day schedule was never, ever the same," Budnick says about her internship. She says, "The most challenging part was probably doing my program, which was meant for kids, for a group of people who were 14, 15-years-old, and they weren't exactly interested in what the kids were interested in." Budnick needed to think on her feet and improvise on the spot in order to cater to the varying demographics' interests and maturity levels.

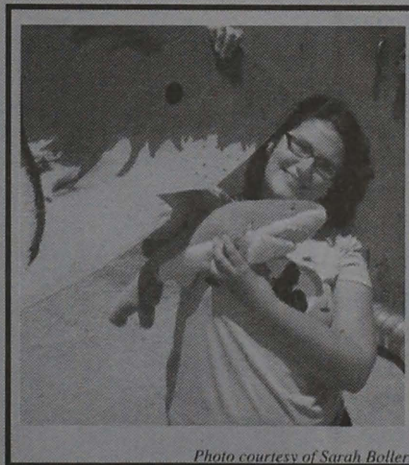


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"Patience probably was a big part of it," Budnick says about the skills needed to deal with her audiences.

Next year, Budnick is going to be a sixth grade science teacher in North Carolina as part of Teach for

America, so the internship "was really useful in learning how to talk to kids." The experience has lead Budnick to realize that she would like "to do a combination of education and field work," where she can "take people out and experience it," using "the field as a classroom." Budnick says, "That's probably what I'll go into eventually."

Budnick advises that students "go with the flow" when they work as interns, and modeled her behavior after the interactions she witnessed between coworkers. Budnick really enjoyed the people and environment at her internship and says, "Ideally, if they ever had a job opening, I would love to work there."

Wish Upon A Cure Relay for Life 2011

Come out to this year's Relay event from April 16, 4 p.m. to April 17, 9 a.m. in the Field House. There will be food, a moon bounce, live entertainment, and much more. All money raised goes directly to the American Cancer Society.

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Response to article, "Segregation in the 21st Century"

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Three weeks ago an article for the Grizzly argued that everything Ursinus has done to promote diversity on campus, from the W.R. Crigler Institute to (according to him) SPINT, is inherently racist and bad for Ursinus College. While there has already been a response to the article, I think I have a unique place in this discussion, since I am not only a minority biracial student, but a SPINT Co-coordinator who approved all the new SPINT Houses for next year. I know that while the author of the initial article may have written alone, he was far from alone how commonplace similar arguments are among students on campus.

Firstly, the author is utterly ridiculous to talk about SPINT housing as a program designed to create diversity. No administrative official in Residence Life has any direct role in deciding which houses get approved beyond certifying that the house

is thematically appropriate (i.e. no "Self-Mutilation" SPINT house is coming any time soon). SPINT Themes are entirely proposed, designed, and run by students, and insofar as Project Coordinators (students chosen by Res Life to oversee projects in SPINT Houses) can vote for or against houses, they are restricted by the pool of applicants.

In addition to this, I can say as a Co-PC for the Africana Studies house that every single theme accepted this year was the best given the pool of applicants. I find the author's attack on Queer House to be the most callous aspect of the article. Not even a year has passed since 18 year old Rutgers student Tyler Clementi committed suicide along with several other teens who were victims of anti-gay bullying, and not only does the author in question argue—without facts—that the house would be a detriment to campus, but that it will actually "exacerbate already existing...sexual tensions...despite...

outreach programs." Yes, in the wake of a rash of gay suicides, the best thing to do is pretend the problem does not exist, so that it does not get worse; after all, it is not as if the original problem is that bad anyway.

The rest of his article is about whether the Crigler Institute is separatist or even necessary. No, and yes. Firstly, the argument

that "America no longer has a problem with segregation" is ludicrous. Check census data before making statements about things you don't understand. Not only is there still plenty of segregation to go around but minority college students are disproportionately plagued by a number of problems relating to admissions, financing, gradu-

ation and post-graduation.

Colorlines.com has compiled mounds of stats on such issues (the articles are too numerous to be cited individually here). For instance, whites have a graduation rate of 60% over six years according to one article, Latinos have a 49% rate, and Blacks have a 40% rate

of graduation. No disparities there. A breakdown of residence with Bachelor's degrees by race indicates that nationally, 29% of whites have Bachelor's degrees, versus 17.2% for blacks and 12.6% for Latinos. Totally equal. After college, 15 percent of black graduates—twice the rate for whites—will be unemployed, and four times

as many black grads will default on their loans. Ultimately, 45% of blacks born in the middle class will fall to the lowest income bracket. This will happen to 16% of whites.

What was that about post-racial college challenges?

On a final note, I would like to emphasize the personal aspect of this discussion. The author of the original piece clearly spoke to no one related to SPINT or the Crigler program, nor with any minority students. This is unacceptable. Discussions, opinion based or not, should include the facts about the issue at hand, not the ridiculous screed of someone without a clue about the things he is talking about foaming at the mouth over minority "self-segregation." Indeed, I personally am so segregated that I am a member of the Grizzly, UC United, UC Rising, SUN, and Riff Club, and am an alternate RA for the upcoming year, which may well move me from Cloake House altogether. Segregation indeed.

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Verizon's DroidX-R2D2 has cool features but is not for me

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first turned on the phone it played a Star Wars R2D2 mash-up. It was like I was holding a mini HD-TV in my hand. I always sit close to the television screen because of my poor vision, so this was awesome. The screen size is huge but still fits easily in a back pocket. The sound was also really crisp and clear. The camera on this phone was great. Being on the go most of the time, having a camera built into a phone for quick Grizzly shots is really important. This phone takes nice high-resolution photos and clear video footage. I was overall extremely impressed.

Applications: The applications were okay. To be fair, they were all the free apps. However, my favorite by far was a stargazer app that allowed you to hold the phone up to the sky and with help from GPS, the screen showed what constellations were above your head during the night time or daytime. One of my favorite cliché things to do is look at the stars, so this was perfect. There was also this app that allowed your phone to look broken. I should have put this on when my boyfriend kept taking it from me and testing it out himself—he was obsessed. I was

not impressed with the Facebook application, however. It was too simplistic, and I thought there weren't enough features. I could only look at status updates and nothing else, and it was hard to navigate between users.

Usability: The touch screen and keypad were really easy to use. The one thing that sets the Droid apart from the iPhone is that it has a keyboard. I am terrible at texting, so having larger buttons and a clearer keypad made the phone that much better. Also, texting between contacts was so easy. My favorite thing about the phone had to be the conversation style texting that most phones are including in their models now. It organizes conversations, and I don't have to flip back to old messages to remember what I said. Although this was awesome, the home screen was a little weird for me. I didn't like that there were multiple screens that you could go to. I like the idea of folders on the home screen vs. different

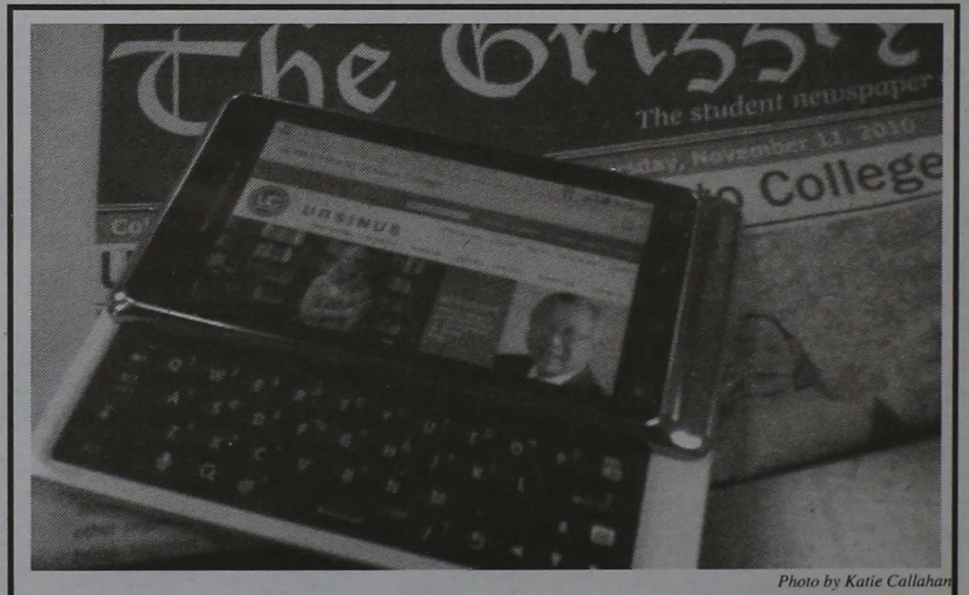


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screens to flip through. Finally, the battery life was a little low and the phone heated up really easily. More than a few times I had to let the phone rest because it was literally burning my hand.

The phone is lightweight, sleek and easy to use overall. Although I loved the phone, I can say that a smart phone is not for me. Not only am I not interesting enough to keep in touch with 24/7, I don't have time to care about being that connected 24/7. I have a camera, and a GPS—which are the only two features that I would really need in a smart

phone. Also, I found that it took a lot of time away from my time with whomever I was with. I think there is a certain obsession that comes with smart phones that I do not want to take part in.

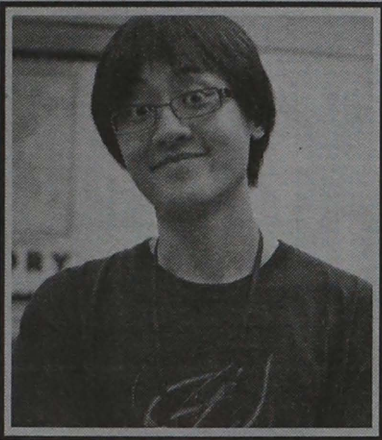
If you are considering buying a smart phone, I would suggest thinking about what you would actually use it for. If you are only using it for the cool features, then pass up that expensive phone bill. If I ever find a job maybe I will have a use for it (or maybe they will pay for it), but for now I will stick to my simple slide/touch phone.

Last semester I had the chance to test out the DroidX-R2D2 phone from Verizon courtesy of Tierny Marketing. I am currently using a Samsung Impression from AT&T. It was free when I got it, and it has a keyboard for quick texting. I do not have a data plan with my current phone, so testing this Droid was a big step up for me. I was a little intimidated when opening the box, but I narrowed down my critique to three different categories: Graphics and Sound, Applications, and Usability.

Graphics and Sound: When I

President Obama sends CIA agents to Libya

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Recently, it has been revealed that President Obama has been sending CIA agents into Libya. These agents have, for the most part, worked to secure important intelligence on the location of valuable Qaddafi weapons warehouses, to advise rebels, and to provide arms to the rebels. Although it appears that there have not been any United

States military ground forces operating in Libya, this could soon change. Since the beginning of the airstrikes, rebel positions have not improved very much, and it is possible that President Obama may decide to send actual troops into Libya to fight al-Qaddafi forces. Though this may help speed up a rebel takeover, the possibility of endless guerrilla warfare against pro-Qaddafi forces does not appeal to most Americans. Thus, before the president makes any decisions to increase the American presence in Libya, he should first focus on American obligations in Afghanistan.

Currently the United States maintains a large number of armed troops in two Middle Eastern nations: Iraq and Afghanistan. Sending troops into a third would probably not be acceptable for the vast majority of Americans. Though it has been a while, the situations in Iraq and Afghanistan are far from perfect. Although United States military forces are

expected to completely withdraw from Iraq by the end of 2011, the War in Afghanistan seems to be nowhere near the end. There are still a large number of insurgents in the north who are constantly going back and forth between Pakistan and Afghanistan, which is complicating operations. Although President Obama has set 2014 as the year American troops completely withdraw from Afghanistan, the inability of American and NATO forces to defeat the insurgents has shown that the war may drag on for many years to come. Considering that American forces have so much work to do in Afghanistan, why not simply focus on defeating insurgents there before taking on any new responsibilities elsewhere?

This is why France and non-North American NATO members should take charge of any extended military operations in Libya. President Sarkozy has already shown that he is willing to take charge. In addition, logistically

it would make sense for France to take charge of the operation; France is much closer to Libya than the United States is. The flow of troops, supplies, and weapons would be far easier on the French than on the Americans. For the same reasons, things would be a lot easier on non-North American NATO members. Countries such as Great Britain, Italy, and Germany are simply closer and could more easily transport soldiers, aid, supplies, and weapons. It is true that a coalition may have more problems in creating a well-defined plan, but for now the main objective is to protect Libyan citizens from harm; that seems like a priority that all members can agree on.

Unlike Iraq, the crisis in Lib-

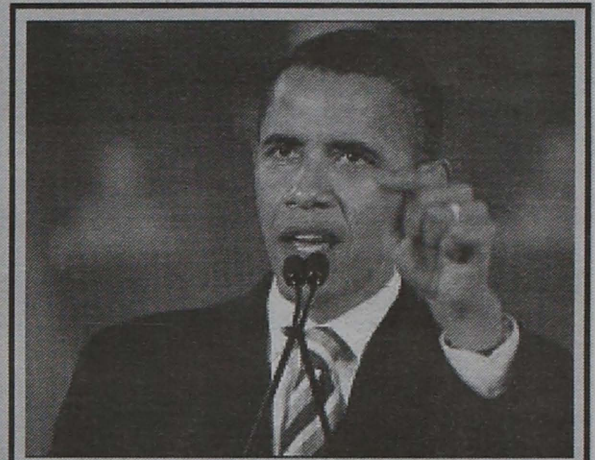
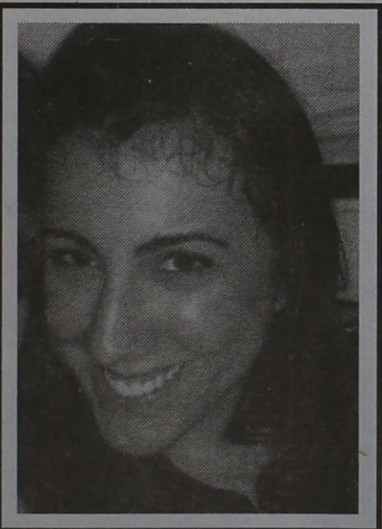


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ya has the blessing and backing of the United Nations, which will do whatever it can to protect Libyan citizens. Thus, rather than having the CIA collect intelligence on Pro-Qaddafi forces, why not send them to collect some intelligence on those insurgents. There are probably a lot of people who are curious as to how, after nearly ten years, remnants of Taliban and Al-Qaeda operatives in Afghanistan are still capable of escaping from American troops.

How far Ursinus goes to keeping students safe on Main Street

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Ursinus does a pretty decent job with keeping its students safe, I'd say. Campus Safety is always making sure that when you're in Olin at three in the morning, you're doing work and not holding a hookers and coke party. I'll even say that my house (Duryea, baby!) is the only place I ever really feel safe, which is an impressive feat, let me tell you. I have a severe paranoia problem.

Fire safety is even nicely taken care of. Why, just this past Saturday night, some slimy piece of trash pulled the fire alarm at TWELVE FORTY in the

morning, forcing my roommate and me out of bed to inspect the possible flames. There were none, of course, and when I texted one of the RAs on duty about the cause, he replied with a simple, "Bitches being bitches." Indeed.

Campus Safety had come over though, flashlights in hand, to survey the situation, and left once they had ascertained that all was secure. I thought, "How nice that they do that, even though they probably know it's some jerk who enjoys ruining the nights of perfectly pleasant females. I'm so glad that I go to a school that really cares about its students!"

Except for my friend Sam.

See, Sam lives in a single in Elliott, the dimensions of which are comparable to a Mini Cooper. The only windows begin seven feet above the ground and are composed of thick glass bricks. Her room then leads into a common room, which is connected to a larger common room. What I'm trying to say is that she has no real easy way out if the house, God forbid, catches on fire.

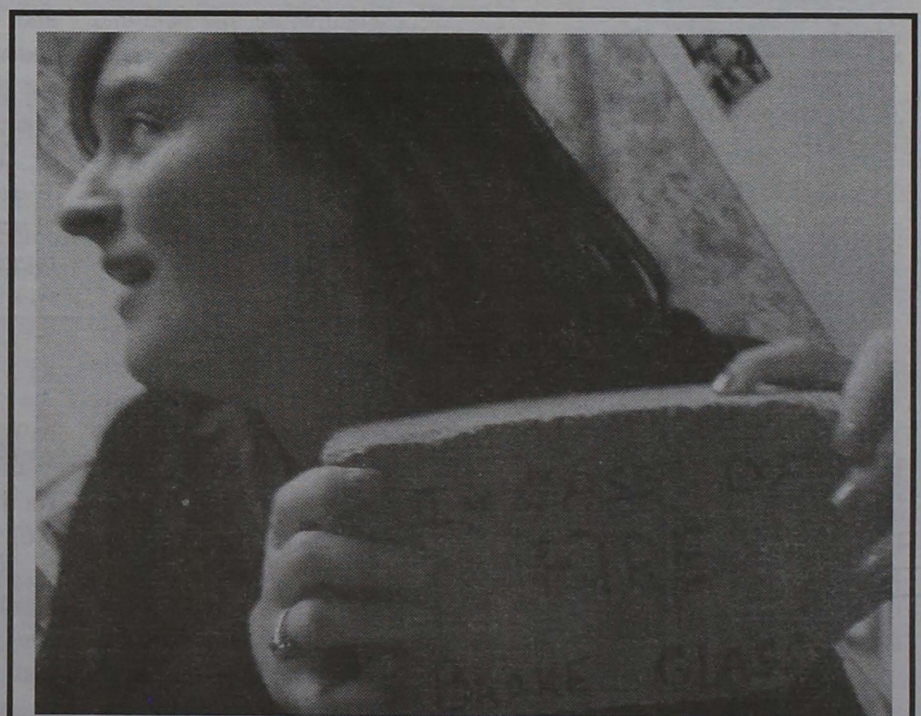
The best parts are the measures Ursinus has taken to ensure her fire safety. Or should I say measure?

Sam's only option for escape

from her tiny, highly smoke-susceptible room, is a brick. Yes, one brick. It's not even a nice brick. It's big, brown, and ugly. The edges are chipped and ground off. It was furnished upon her arrival, left in the built-in bookcase. The school ensured she wouldn't be confused about its purpose, and scribbled on its face in thick black marker are the words, "IN CASE OF FIRE, BRAKE GLASS."

No, that's not a typo. That's how they spelled it. I'm not sure how one brakes glass, but I can't imagine that it's a particularly enjoyable activity. It probably involves a lot of bandages and ear plugs.

I want to paint the scene here: Imagine Sam, average weight, average height, is stuck in a death-trap—I mean—her room, during a fire. Smoke snaking in from the crack under the door, she scrambles, hoists her trusty brick, and hurls it at the brick glass, hoping to smash it. It makes a few cracks, so, wasting precious time and oxygen, she climbs on top of her desk (It's quite high up,



Anna's friend Sam holding her brick from Elliott. Photo courtesy of Anna Larouche

remember?), attacks the glass in a frenzy, and only after precious minutes have been sacrificed does she get enough room to escape and breathe fresh air.

I ask, you, how is this safe? I understand that maintaining the structural integrity of the building is important, but is an ugly, old, illiterate brick really the answer? Can't Ursinus offer my poor friend a better glass-shattering tool than a Bomberger renovation leftover? Where's her flashlight?

Even I have a fire extinguisher in my hallway.

Come on Ursinus. I know you can at least give Sam a grammatically proper brick. When I asked her about her own opinion of the brick, all she had to say was this: "This was in my room when I moved in. It might as well say, "In case of fire, cover self in blanket and run through flames," since that's what I plan on doing. Good work, Ursinus.

New Coach and new outlook lead UC Softball

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Ursinus' women's softball team is enjoying their season with a new head coach and a fresh outlook.

Coach Jen Croneberger has taken on the role as new softball head coach and has introduced the players to her motto: "For The Love of The Game." Coach Croneberger says that this saying is the reason for "why we play, and I know you can feel it around this team." Many of the players are very excited about the coaching change. According to shortstop Cassie Brown, one of the three captains of the softball team, the new coaching staff has "brought the fire back in our hearts."

Women's softball had an impressive season last spring, with a 28-7 record overall. However, their season ended with a disap-

pointing loss to Swarthmore in the Centennial Conference Softball Championships. Despite already having more losses than last year, the girls are focused on forming more team chemistry, which is something that they have been working on throughout the year. Catcher Emelie McFarland believes that her teammates display more camaraderie and support. Similarly, Brown believes that the girls on the team are more united this year and have a lot of trust in one another. Now that the teammates have gained this trust, Brown believes that "there is nothing that will stop us from being our best this season."

The feeling of trust greatly impacts how the players feel while on the field. For example, the pitchers have a lot more confidence in the defense behind them. Because of this confidence, pitcher Jennilyn Weber explains that she is "not afraid to throw the ball over the plate because if someone

hits it, the ball will be caught." Similarly, Coach Croneberger has a lot of faith in her defense, explaining that the team is composed of well-rounded players who know how to play their positions.

On the mound, Ursinus' women's softball team has five reliable pitchers in junior Kate Kehoe; sophomores Kelsey Coyne, Jennilyn Weber, Taylor Zelitsky; and freshman Caitlin Whelan. This season "the pitchers have really stepped up their game," states McFarland. The variety in pitchers provides the coaching staff with several dependable options, making it difficult to ever go wrong when selecting a pitcher.

Offensively, the team appears to demonstrate much talent. Coach Croneberger believes that several players exhibit tremendous hitting skills, and that not one player outshines the other. In fact, she is glad that "the team isn't on any one set of shoul-



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ders...that will never work." The essence of teamwork will reveal itself with all of the players contributing by hitting the ball and scoring runs. Brown is optimistic that her fellow teammates will continue to be eager "to do a personal best for the team's success."

The girls, at the start of spring break, headed to Florida to play

in the Rebel Games, returning with a 5-4 record. This ten game tournament proved to be challenging for the Ursinus softball team because they played talented opponents, some of which are nationally ranked. The players are excited for the remainder of the season as they prepare for their playoff run.

Gymnasts named All-Americans at Champs

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Two members of the Ursinus Gymnastics team claimed All-American titles at the Collegiate Gymnastics Association Championships hosted by The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire two Sundays ago.

Senior Erin Slaunwhite was crowned an All American on beam, while Sophomore Johanna Warren made the All American team on bars and floor.

The National Championship meet was the end to a successful season for the Ursinus Gymnastics team. After finishing fourth at ECAC championships and just missing the mark to make it as a team, eight individuals moved on to compete at Wisconsin-Eau Claire in the National competition.

The National competition is a two day event. The team practiced Thursday, competed Friday, and Warren and Slaunwhite moved on to compete in event finals on Saturday.

Slaunwhite made the national competition for beam and floor, which was her goal after an injury on vault that occurred during a season meet at Rutgers. Slaunwhite scored her highest score of the season on beam, a 9.75, and

scored a 9.4 on floor.

For Slaunwhite, the National competition was the finale to her gymnastics career. "I did the best routines that I was capable of and even though my routine wasn't good enough to make finals on floor, I had fun and enjoyed my last floor routine," said Slaunwhite.

To top off her dazzling gymnastics career, Slaunwhite made event finals for the first time while competing at Ursinus. She was sixth overall on Friday with a 9.75 and scored a 9.4 on the second day of competition.

"I was happy to end my gymnastics career on my favorite event, beam, and do a routine that was good enough to make me an All-American," said Slaunwhite.

Warren competed all-around

on the first day of competition and received seventh with a score of 37.7. On floor, she tied for third place with a 9.675 and placed seventh on bars with a 9.5.

The next day of competition Warren competed floor and bars. "I was pretty nervous because my biggest goal going into the meet was to win the bar title and I knew last year I fell in event finals on bars," said Warren. Warren made the same mistake and received a 9.05 and tenth place on bars. Warren competed a solid floor routine and placed sixth with a 9.625 on floor.

Warren was pleased with the results of the competition and the season. She went to nationals last year for vault and bars, and pushed her limits to compete all around this year in the National competition.

Although Warren had hoped to make event finals on everything but beam, she gave an admirable effort at each event. She received her highest score of the season on beam, a 9.5, and changed her vault in the weeks before nationals to meet the

competition. "I noticed that the level of vaulting had gone up a lot this year. I needed to step up my game," said Warren.

Slaunwhite and Warren did not let the pressure of competition get to them on their first day of competition. "I wasn't nervous going into the first day of competition, I was more excited. I wanted to enjoy my potentially last competition and do the best routines that I was capable of doing," said Slaunwhite.

Both girls went into the competition with confidence and enthusiasm. "I was feeling really confident. My practices the week or two beforehand had been going really well. Went into it with the same mind set as any other meet," said Warren.

Slaunwhite along with seniors Kristen Keane, Brittany Ang, and Jacki Clymer were named Academic All-Americans by the NCGA.

The Ursinus Gymnastics team ended their season strong and united. "All of my teammates and coaches made my experience at Ursinus unforgettable and I am grateful to all of them for that," said Slaunwhite, "Gymnastics enhanced my experience at Ursinus more than anything else I could have imagined."

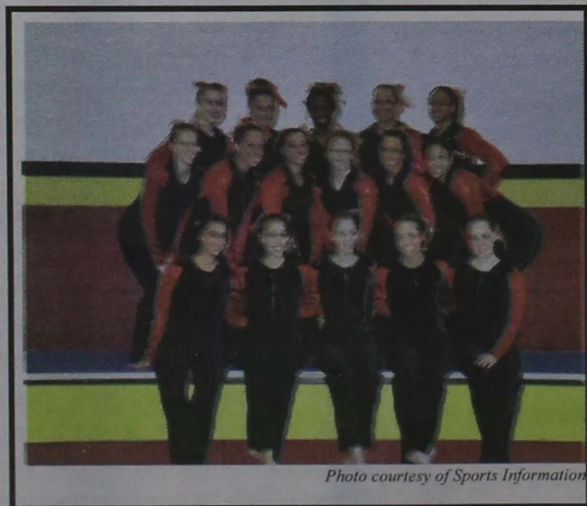


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UPCOMING HOME EVENTS:

April 15:

Baseball
vs. Haverford

April 17:

Softball
vs. F&M

April 19:

Baseball
vs. DeSales

Women's Tennis
vs. Moravian

April 20:

Men's Lacrosse
vs. Haverford

Baseball
vs. Swarthmore

Men's Tennis
vs. Haverford