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Fong Inauguration approaching

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The campus community will see the inauguration of Dr. Fong as the fifteenth president of Ursinus College this weekend with a series of events that span from Wednesday, April 18 to Sunday, April 22. Not since the 1995 inauguration of the late former President Strassburger has the Ursinus community had the opportunity to celebrate its own progression with the formal welcoming of a new president.

The lineup for the weekend includes various types of events, including those academic, athletic, or otherwise not directly related to the inauguration of the president.

The UC Advancement Office is mainly responsible for organizing the weekend's events, with help from the Student Activities Office (SAO), Campus Activities Board (CAB), and volunteers from the UC Ambassadors.

"We're treating it as an extraordinarily special event," said student Elizabeth Burns, who is working with CAB in the planning process. "We all know not only is [the inauguration of a pres-

ident] special because it doesn't happen often, it's also historic. I think it's the fact that we're starting a new chapter in the entire college's life. So this isn't just a celebration for President Fong. And he's been very careful to make sure we remember that this is a celebration of the College and the College moving forward and the College changing and growing. So these events have been created with the utmost respect for everyone on campus and everyone involved in this on campus."

Students are encouraged to get involved and to attend as many events as possible, including what is being called the Inaugural Celebration Friday night at the Phoenixville Foundry.

"The Advancement Office has put a great deal of emphasis on trying to include as many students in as many events as possible, so students can really come to pretty much anything," said John Ryan, Secretary of the Class of 2014.

"There's going to be really good food and hors d'oeuvres, as well as a cash bar and live music by The Slippery Band. Faculty and staff are all coming to this Inaugural Celebration, it only hap-



Courtesy of Wendy Greenberg

Dr. Fong will be inaugurated as Ursinus' 15th president this Saturday, April 21.

pens every twenty years or so," Burns said.

As far as the weekend's main event, the actual ceremony for the inauguration, anyone who wishes to attend may do so.

"A couple students are going

to speak," Burns said, adding that a large number of delegates from other colleges will be in attendance in support of Dr. Fong.

"I know that we're supposed to process and we're going to carry a flag," Ryan said, "and I

know there's going to be a gift made from the general student body to Dr. Fong. They invited a member from pretty much all the

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UCDC mixing up spring routine

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This semester's UCDC performances will provide a new twist for the Ursinus community with a wide mix of dances and choreographic styles.

"If you come in thinking you'll get a certain aesthetic of dance, you will be disappointed," Kayla McLeod, a junior Dance and Biology double major said.

One aspect of the show that the

audience should look forward to centers on the dance class named Creative Communities.

The class requires students to go out to the people and businesses in the Collegeville community, talk to them about any experiences they have had in their lives, and incorporate those stories into real-life dance.

Gina Masciarelli, a junior Dance major, was interested in visiting Columbia Cottage, an assisted living community.

She spoke to two women

about their lives. One woman told stories of her international travels; the other stayed in the Collegeville area throughout her life but happened to be on America's Funniest Home videos.

"The class was really great because we feel like we're in a bubble at Ursinus and Creative Communities class is great because it requires us to go outside this school and into the community, interact better, and gain different perspectives," Masciarelli said.

Creative communities also

collaborated with the Music Tech and Dance Tech classes, whose videos will feature in the UCDC performances.

The goal is to bring varied mediums - including the actual dance routines, video, and sound - together for the audience.

Other unique aspects of the show the audience should look forward to will be the African piece (the classes were open to the entire campus), a contemporary piece, and a new contemporary ballet work by guest artists

Melissa Chisena and Ursinus Dance faculty Chris Aiken.

Dance faculty member Cathy Young's piece will feature music performed by Music faculty Holly Gaines and John French.

The Ursinus College Dance Company will be performing Thursday, April 14 through Saturday 16, at 7:30 pm in The Kaleidoscope Lenfest Theater on campus.

There is a \$5 general admission and \$2 student and senior citizen admission.

International News: Border incidents complicate Syria cease-fire, Peru miners trapped by cave-in

US troops take Afghan support role

Sunday, April 8
KABUL, AFGHANISTAN -

The United States agreed on Sunday to hand control of special operations missions to Afghan forces, including night raids, bringing the unpopular raids under Afghan judicial authority and relegating American troops to a supporting role.

The deal will help the United States and Afghanistan move ahead in shaping the American support to Afghanistan after the 2014 troop withdrawal deadline.

It also resolves a political issue for President Hamid Karzai, who faced intense pressure because of the night raids' deep unpopularity in Afghanistan, as American commanders insisted they were vital to the military mission in Afghanistan.

Afghanistan now has the lead role in night raid operations against suspected insurgents, and also requires an Afghan court warrant within 72 hours of a planned raid, except in special cases when a warrant may be issued after a raid.

Under the agreement, Afghan



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International News

forces can still call on American troops for help and authorize them to enter Afghan residences and private areas.

(New York Times Online)

Border violence in Syria

Monday, April 9
TURKEY -

Syrian forces opened fire across the Syria-Turkey border on Monday, the first such incident since Turkey began housing Syrian refugees fleeing the violence.

One was killed and several were injured in the attack.

Turkey responded by summoning Syria's envoy.

Separately, Ali Shaaban, a Lebanese cameraman, was shot dead on the Syria-Lebanon border.

der.

The violence occurs amid fading hopes that a UN-brokered ceasefire in Syria will start on Tuesday as planned.

At least 50 people were killed on Monday, including at least 12 members of Syrian security forces who died in clashes near the Turkish border.

A Syrian human rights group said the incident started with a clash between opposition fighters and Syrian troops; Syrian forces continued to fire at the rebels as they escaped over the border.

Turkey now hosts around 24,000 Syrian refugees. Analysts say that the Turkish government has nearly given up on the ceasefire plan due to incidents like this one.

(BBC News Online)

North Korea to launch satellite

Monday, April 9
TONCHANG-RI, NORTH KOREA -

North Korea is pressing forward with a controversial rocket launch set to take place next week.

North Korea announced last month that it would launch a rocket carrying a satellite between April 12 and 16 to mark the 100th anniversary of the birth of Kim Il Sung, the founder of the Communist state.

His birthday is April 15, known as the "Day of the Sun," and is a key public holiday in North Korea.

The government has said that the operation is peaceful, but Japan, the United States, and South Korea believe the launch is a cover for a long-range ballistic missile test.

Firing the long-range rocket would breach U.N. Security Council resolutions, and Washington has suspended a deal to provide food aid to North Korea as a result.

The head of the launch site invited journalists to the site, where they were allowed to film, in order to judge for themselves whether the rocket is a ballistic missile or a launch vehicle for a satellite as North Korea claims.

An independent analyst who visited the launch site said he saw nothing obvious that raised his suspicions. (CNN.com)

Cave-in interferes with rescue effort

Monday, April 9
PERU - A cave-in on Monday complicated efforts to rescue nine miners who are trapped underground in southern Peru. The miners have been trapped in the Cabeza de Negro mine since Thursday. It was not yet clear what caused the initial collapse. The miners have been getting oxygen, food, and water through a tube, which is also their link to people above ground. Those in charge of the rescue effort have said that the rescue may take another day or two. Mining is a large industry in Peru, a major world producer of copper, silver, gold, and other minerals. (CNN.com)



Courtesy of Carol Royce

UCDC spring semester performances begin tonight and run through Saturday evening.

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Housing Lottery anxiety addressed

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Every year, the housing lottery gives Ursinus students the opportunity to determine where they will live the following year.

It can be an anxiety inducing process for students as they seek their top choice housing scenario, but it doesn't necessarily have to be.

In an effort to dispel some of the anxieties and shed more light on the housing process, Melissa Sanders Giess, Director of Residence Life, sat down and answered some questions.

Right now there are about 1650 students here at Ursinus.

According to Sanders Giess, that number includes the freshman and about 50 to 70 students who do not live on campus.

About 1240 students were issued lottery numbers out of that large number.

"Not all 1240 are going to participate in lottery because some have chosen to live off campus or commute. So my best guess is somewhere around 1150 are choosing a room through this process," Sanders Giess said.

On the assignment of lottery numbers to the student body, an element to the process that many students tend to feel aggrieved by, Sanders Giess said "The Computing Services Office actually generates the lottery numbers for us using some kind of mathematical system...they have a process that

randomizes everyone's names and numbers...once they send it me I forward it to the student body."

The long and hard process of housing begins around the beginning of winter break and ends in July.

There are three parts to the housing process that Sanders Giess and the Res Life office complete.

Step one, the SPINT process starts before winter break.

Information sessions are held to start educating people about what the SPINT process is, and what it means to live in SPINT.

It is after winter break that the program coordinators set up a campus wide brainstorming session so the students can share their ideas on what the themes of the houses should be.

The process is entirely student governed, and goes from the beginning of January to March, and then they have their own lottery, using the numbers they were originally given, like the rest of campus.

Squatting begins and ends in February, after the housing packets have been sent out.

The RD of Reimert and the RD of Main Street inform their students who are eligible to squat in the suites and non-SPINT houses.

For those who don't know what it means to squat, it means that if you and your roommate love your room, you can fill out a form and stay there, or if you love



Courtesy of Jon Hammer

Members of the Residence Life office assist students during last week's housing lottery sessions.

your room and your roommate is graduating or going elsewhere you can pull another friend into your room and keep it.

The final step is the lottery, which kicked off this year Tuesday April 3rd and will end Tuesday April 10th.

"I tell students that lottery is kind of what its name implies, there's a little bit of risk, a little bit of chance, there's some strat-

egy involved, and you do have to be educated about your options before you go into it so you make a good choice, and you kind of don't know how it's going to fall, so... every year people ask me, do you think this will happen, do you think that will happen, what are my odds of getting x,y,z and I always say there is no way for me to tell you, because I never know what people are going to choose."

Sanders Giess said.

Sanders Giess' message to the first timers in the lottery is "Don't panic, everyone panics...I think the best you can do is try to educate yourself, ask a lot of questions...the hope is that every student on campus who wants to learn more about the process has the opportunity to do so. In addition to that all of us are available all of the time."

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major colleges, though generally the colleges send a representative if they want to and I think right now we have over 100 confirmed delegates from various colleges at this point," proof that shows, said Ryan, that "Bobby Fong is very well respected in academic circles."

WEDNESDAY

The chain of events will begin with the Annual Student Art Exhibition Opening Reception at the Philip and Muriel Berman Museum of Art on Apr. 18 from 3 to 5 p.m.

THURSDAY

Thursday the nineteenth is Celebration of Student Achieve-

ment Day, with student-led presentations and discussions in all fields of academia at various locations on campus between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

The next two hours is the time allotted for those students who have been working on Honors projects to present their work.

There will be a Reception for those who have generously donated to the College through scholarship funds at 5 p.m. at the Berman as well, followed by a UCDC dance performance at 7:30 p.m. in the Lenfest Theater at the Kaleidoscope.

FRIDAY

A science roundtable and luncheon for science faculty members and featuring President Emeritus of Saint Lawrence University Dr. Daniel Sullivan, who will discuss the future of science

education and facilities, will be held Friday at noon in the Black Box Theater and in Musser Auditorium, Pfahler Hall.

Following will be an exposé in Lower Wismer, where both faculty and staff will offer brief vignettes representing their field of expertise.

At 7:30 p.m., there will be another UCDC dance performance, and the President's Circle Dinner, for members of the President's Circle, President's Council, Trustees, and special invited guests, will be at 6 p.m. at the Phoenixville Foundry, located at 2 N. Main St., Phoenixville, Pa. From 8:30 to midnight, the Phoenixville Foundry will host the Inaugural Celebration (for those who received an invitation).

SATURDAY

There will be an inaugural

breakfast in Wismer Center from 9 to 10:30 a.m. At 10 a.m., Ursinus will host the Grizzly Classic Track and Field Meet on Patterson Field.

At 11 a.m., Dr. Fong will be inaugurated as the fifteenth president of Ursinus College in the Field House, with special remarks by Dr. Daniel Sullivan of Saint Lawrence University.

For those who cannot attend, a live internet stream will be available at www.ursinus.edu/inauguration.

Immediately following the ceremony will be a reception at 12:30 p.m., also in the Field House.

The field hockey Alumni Game will be played on Eleanor Frost Snell Alumnae Field at 2 p.m., which will be followed by another UCDC dance performance at 3 p.m. in the Lenfest Theater.

Beginning Saturday evening at 6 p.m. and lasting until the morning hours of Sunday will be Relay for Life, held in the Field House.

SUNDAY

The Community Partnership Parade will be Sunday at 1 p.m. on the Ursinus Campus and throughout Collegeville Borough, followed by an Open House at the Berman Museum at 2:30 p.m.

The weekend's activities will conclude with a concert to celebrate the inauguration of Dr. Fong in Bomberger Auditorium with a performance by the College Choir and the Meistersingers.

Some of the events may require registration beforehand. For those interested in doing so and who wish to see a full calendar of events, please visit www.ursinus.edu/inauguration.

Cuts for a Cause on campus this weekend

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Tau Sigma Gamma Sorority's third annual "Cuts for a Cause" charity event will be held on campus on the weekend of April 14 - 15.

Saturday, there will be a raffle, and on Sunday, hairdressers will give hair cuts from 12 until 5 p.m.

Each year, local hairdressers and barbers are asked to donate their time and skills to come to Ursinus and provide free haircuts.

If hair is 8 inches in length, or longer, hairdressers will cut it for free and it can be donated to Wigs for Kids, a campaign that makes wigs for recovering cancer patients.

If individuals do not wish to donate, they can get a regular haircut in exchange for a monetary donation.

"We also have raffles the day of the event donated from local businesses to help us raise money as well. The money raised goes to helping cancer patients and those recovering from cancer," said Kelly Adams, a sister of Tau Sigma Gamma.

This year, the money raised

will be donated to the Linda Creed Breast Cancer Foundation.

"This organization empowers women and their families to talk about breast cancer, learn about it, and take control of their health and their lives. The foundation's motto is 'we will be there...until breast cancer is not,'" Adams said.

Wigs for Kids and the Linda Creed Breast Cancer Foundation are two new organizations that Tau Sigma Gamma has chosen to donate to specifically.

"Each year, Cuts for a Cause has donated to a different non-profit organization. Recently, we have been trying to find smaller, local organizations that would find greater benefit from our contributions. This year, we have chosen Wigs for Kids and the Linda Creed Breast Cancer Foundation. We are hoping to keep these as our charities in the future," Adams said.

Adams also pointed out that the organizations they select do not always receive large donations.

"We raise a decent amount of money, but nothing compared to

what some other organizations can give, so we thought that a smaller organization would be more appreciative as they often don't have large contributors," Adams said.

This year, Cuts for a Cause is going to be held in the Bear's Den rather than Lower Wismer as has been the case in past years.

Anyone who would like to get their hair cut is asked to sign up before hand.

"This makes the day run smoother and makes us aware of times when people can come in for walk in appointments. There will be an email sent out to the entire school saying which times are still available," Adams said.

When asked what her favorite part about the entire charity event was, Adams knew right away.

"I really enjoy knowing that Tau Sig is helping make a difference. Yes, we are just a small local sorority at a small liberal arts school, but this event gives us the chance to make a difference and help others in need. Last year I was co-chair with Jessica Abramo, and we got to see first-hand everything



Courtesy of Elly Wallace

Sisters of Tau Sigma Gamma sorority participate in last year's Cuts for a Cause event.

that goes into planning this large event. It takes a lot of time and effort, but the outcome is the best part. Knowing that we are able to make a difference, even when such a small organization, is a really rewarding feeling," Adams said.

Another event going on with Tau Sigma Gamma on campus is "Shave to Save", a penny war type event.

Tau Sig previously selected Ursinus students who are willing to shave their heads to help raise money, and their faces will be posted at a table in Lower Wismer.

People can donate change into a specific person's bag to save them from getting their head shaved or make them have a bald head for the remainder of the school year.

Ursinus alumni return to work at alma mater

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For many people, college is one of life's most amazing experiences.

As a result, when graduation comes, it can be hard to say goodbye to the place you called home for four years.

At Ursinus, not all graduates say farewell forever.

There seems to be a trend at Ursinus, as well as other liberal arts colleges, of alumni returning to pursue careers at their alma mater.

History Department Chairman Ross Doughty, who graduated from Ursinus in 1968, and returned to teach in 1975, said that although Ursinus was a much smaller school at the time when he was a student, over 50 percent of faculty members were alumni.

Doughty estimates that currently, about 10 percent of the

faculty are alumni.

Now, Ursinus faculty has at least 14 faculty members who are alumni of Ursinus, which includes fulltime, adjunct and visiting professors.

The English Department alone, which has 13 professors, boasts three faculty members including English department Chairman Rebecca Jaroff.

Jaroff, who graduated from Ursinus in 1981 with a bachelor's degree in English, said that she never wanted to be a teacher.

Instead, after graduating from Ursinus, she joined a local television network, and later joined the Channel 6 Action News staff where she held many positions before deciding to change her career path.

"After 10 years, I decided that I wasn't as engaged or as intellectually stimulated by my job as I had been in the past," Jaroff said.

Jaroff returned to school to achieve her master's and doctorate degrees, and decided to pursue her interest in teaching at the college level.

In 1999, Jaroff returned to Ursinus to teach one English class, thinking it would just be for one semester.

However, a few years later, a tenure-track position opened up in the English Department and Jaroff was the selected candidate to fill this position.

Jaroff said that her career at Ursinus was never planned.

"It was just this weird, harmonic conversion. I couldn't be happier and I feel really blessed," Jaroff said.

Not only are there several faculty members who are Ursinus alumni, but there are also various staff members who received their undergraduate degree at Ursinus as well.

The current Administration

Associate Athletic Director, Erin Stroble, graduated from Ursinus in 2002, but returned to join the Ursinus staff in 2004 as the Head Coach of the women's lacrosse team and Assistant Athletic Director.

Stroble said she enjoyed her time at Ursinus as a student and was happy when she had the chance to come back to her alma mater.

"I love the environment here, the community, the feeling of being back at Ursinus," Stroble said.

When Stroble was a student at Ursinus, she majored in media and communications, so she had taken classes with Dr. Lynne Edwards, who is also an Ursinus alum.

Stroble thinks it is great that Edwards had returned to Ursinus to teach.

"It showed that she valued the experience she had and wanted

to provide that to other students. And that's how I felt," Stroble said.

Ursinus is not the only college in the Centennial Conference to hire alumni.

Both Gettysburg College and Dickinson College have over a handful of faculty members who are alumni.

Ursinus students also seem to embrace the idea of faculty returning to teach at their alma mater.

Senior Chelsea Alexander, who is on her way to becoming a certified teacher and is considering a career in higher education, said she would absolutely return to work at Ursinus if presented with the opportunity.

"It makes sense to return to that environment that you received your education in and you would want to perpetuate to the students what you found valuable," Alexander said.

UC students travel to National Model UN competition in NYC

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Ursinus students made their way through the bright lights and bustling streets of Times Square this week, but not to catch a showing of *Wicked* or climb the Empire State building.

Model UN was busy participating in National Model United Nations.

After two semesters of preparation learning proceedings and writing proposition papers, the students acted as delegates representing Kyrgyzstan and Pakistan in a simulation that replicated actual United Nation's proceedings.

Under the guidance of Ambassador Melrose, who is on the NMUN Board of Directors, the students learned the intricacies of diplomacy and were given unique experiences working with over 5,000 students and participants from around the world.

"Preparation for a Model UN simulation involves putting yourself in another's position by learning the policies of another Member State and the reasons behind them. However the most important experiences often do not take place in the actual sessions but in meeting, working with, and socializing with college students from over 30 states and 40 foreign countries," Melrose said.

The NMUN conference is aimed at familiarizing student with international relations and

the inner workings of the global community in order to foster diplomacy and cooperation.

Head Delegate for Ursinus, Eva Bramesco, believes that the competition helps students to better understand the current political landscape on a global scale.

"NMUN is a great way to address today's most pressing international issues in a collaborative manner with students from around the world," Bramesco said.

The delegates explored a multi-lateral approach to conflict resolution, which resulted in the creation of numerous resolutions.

Sam Brenner, junior international relations and business and economics major, who acted as a delegate of Pakistan, played an important role during the conference.

"[We] sponsored a resolution aimed at minimizing the negative impacts of the arms trade and bettering society for all nations," Brenner said.

The different values, viewpoints, and interests of the Member States being represented also had to be considered during the conference and reflected in the working papers that were created.

While the NMUN helps students address real world conflicts, it also exposes participants to new people and cultures.

New York's fame for being the "melting pot" was an apt backdrop for the plethora of nations that congregated to participate in

NMUN.

Martin Mancini, a finance major from Italy, represented China in the NMUN simulation.

"[NMUN] is a great way to improve communication skills because the experience exposes everyone to people from diverging cultural backgrounds," Mancini said.

Henning Trentmann from the University of Wuzburg in Germany, represented Myanmar.

"It was my first time to ever visit New York and it took me a while to grow accustomed to the new environment. I had participated in the NMUN in Germany but that was only like 400 people and this was much larger. It was fascinating seeing the differences in the American lifestyle as well as interacting with other foreign nations," Trentmann said.

The NMUN hopes that it will be effective in enriching future generations to become involved in bettering the global community.

Elizabeth Hayworth, a senior at Salem College for Women, represented Azerbaijan, took a lot away from participating in the competition.

"I think it has been the best hands-on learning experience in my discipline that I could participate in. I have learned so much about how effective cooperation and negotiation are and intend on implementing these skills in my future career in International Relations," Hayworth said.

Hart interns at Great Wall Club in Beijing, China

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Courtesy of Sarah Bollert

Colin Hart, a junior French and media & communications studies double major interned in Beijing, China in the fall as a part of Ursinus' UC in Beijing program.

Hart worked at the Great Wall Club (GWC), a company which promotes CEO networking.

GWC helps Chinese executives build networks with one another and with companies abroad, because having a strong relationship and good rapport with your business partners is incredibly important.

The company organizes gatherings for Chinese CEOs and also organizes the largest tech conference in China.

In connection to this, GWC started a blog the year before Hart's arrival, featuring news in Chinese and global technology fields.

Hart was asked to take the blog from about 3 posts a week to five per day.

Hart was entrusted to determine the biggest stories and essentially summarize news articles on the blog, adding his own opinion on what he thought was important, "allowing him to help define the voice of the site," and create a forum generating more site traffic.

"That was really cool because there were really noticeable results at the end of the internship," Hart said.

Twitter and Facebook referrals were up by 500% and traffic to the site doubled under Hart's contributions.

Hart also had his own byline, bio and link to his Twitter.

"[It was] really neat because a lot of places, you're anonymous, or the site itself is [seen as] authoring [articles]," Hart said.

Hart's success blogging has created an audience and demand that the company continues to meet through offering a full-time paid internship and a full-time position to continue the work Hart was doing.

Hart's supervisor is a now an ideal reference and also extended

Hart an open offer at the company were Hart to travel back to Beijing.

Hart also utilized his communication skills when interviewing two developers of the app *Angry Birds* to write about their expansion into the Asian market.

He also proofread and edited emails and PowerPoint presentations written by non-English speakers at the company.

Before the internship Hart wasn't sure of his career interests, but now he says his interest in global communications has increased.

"[It is] still a really broad field, but there are lots of interesting positions. I realized that what I really want to do is do something where I'm helping two cultures communicate," Hart said.

Hart also pointed out that people do not necessarily stay on the career path that they create while in college.

"Don't worry about following your plan so specifically. A lot of people lock themselves into one and feel like they have to do this one thing and consequently they pass over opportunities," Hart said "Don't ever limit yourself to one field or feel like you can't do something because it doesn't fit into your concept of what you're pursuing, because ultimately it's all related, and the more you can do, the more experience you can get, is just going to benefit you. Even if you were doing something in completely separate fields, you are branched out and you have two places you can look for jobs rather than one."

Word on the Street

with Brooke Mitchell

"What did you do during this past holiday weekend?"



Becca Kamm
MCS/Business, 2012

"I went to a Seder at the Unity House. It was great because although I live far away, I still got to celebrate an important holiday with people of my religion."



Sara Goetze
Chemistry, 2014

"I slept a lot and ate a lot of pizza since I gave it up for Lent. Then, I skyped with my family in Oregon on Easter."



Jenn Jacob-Freese
BCMB, 2012

"I went home and had a lot of school work to do, but instead I decided to bake Easter themed treats all weekend."

Saying “no” is man’s responsibility too

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When we hear or see the “Say No” campaigns advocating for eradicating sexual assaults and other forms of violence against women, the term is often used in reference to the woman’s responsibility to speak up.

Although I agree that women ought to feel more confident in saying no, and understand it as their right to do so, I am disturbed by that fact that this emphasis on preventing sexual misconduct is placed solely on women.

Why aren’t men placed under the same “Say No” liability? Just as women ought to muster up the courage to say no, men ought to better discern whether the imminent sexual relations he is about partake in are as desired by his female counterpart.

“My sense is that you ought to always get permission. Maybe my sense of permission is antiquated but it seems to me that you ought to get permission from holding hands, clear through

the most intimate act, and that permission ought to be clear and understood by both parties,” said Rev. Rice, chaplain and assistant professor of philosophy and religion here at Ursinus.

Although this play-by-play form of consent may seem old fashioned, on a college setting where partying, drinking, and hooking up set the social tone, can we afford any other method to prevent the possibility of sexual misconduct?

In the interaction between two sober people, whom I would consider consenting beings, I would say this ought to become the pre-requisite course of action to take place prior to sexual intercourse.

It will certainly decrease the occurrences of sexual misconduct. But then, this begs another question regarding non-verbal cues.

Before I move on, I would like to note that I’ve purposely chosen to exclude the prerequisite course of action for two intoxicated people because to that I would simply say three

words... Wait Until Sobriety. For then, I believe those two people would have the capacity to make a conscious decision.

But, I digress.

Returning, if a man is about to partake in sexual relations with a woman, should he be watchful for non-verbal cues that may alert him of a woman’s discomfort or unwillingness to comply with the impending act?

Here, I am using this heterosexual relationship with the male as the aggressor and female as the victim only because this set of gender-relationships possess the highest rates of sexual misconduct cases.

“Just because a girl doesn’t say no doesn’t mean you should [have sex],” said Stefan Johnson, a freshman here at Ursinus.

Sophomore John Ryan, reaffirmed Johnson’s sentiment.

“I think it’s the girl’s responsibility to say no but at the same time, it’s not the guy’s prerogative to take the lack of a no as a yes,” Ryan said.

Of course, these are the opinions of only two guys;

therefore, I would not dare to try and use their opinions to represent the entire male body of Ursinus.

But, here you can get a sense of what a couple of Ursinus males have to say about the subject.

It is refreshing to hear men on campus agree that the “Say No” saying should not be gender-exclusive to women.

I would also like to note that I am not suggesting that men should do any more or less to prevent sexual misconduct.

The efforts ought to be equal. In talks regarding sexual misconduct, rape, sexual harassment and other events, women dominate in population.

In campaigns regarding rape like that of “Say No” women are often used as the face of such preventive campaigns.

All I’m asking is: Where is the representation for men?

I think there should be more opportunities for men to discuss the topic as heavily as women.

At Goshen College—a liberal arts school in Goshen,

Indiana—a group of men set up a summit to sit and discuss topics regarding sexual misconduct amongst themselves.

This all-male meeting was held in support of sexual awareness week.

The Goshen students discussed hard-hitting subjects like the role men play in fighting sexism, and expressed frustration with the lack of attention paid to male-driven sexual harassment.

The purpose of the meeting was for men to be able to have a dialogue based solely around a male’s perception of sexual assault on campus.

The Goshen students found the meeting so helpful and refreshing that they opted to make it a weekly summit far surpassing sexual awareness week.

We need more dialogues, meeting and summits like this to give men a chance to take an open stance against sexual misconduct.

Saying “No” should no longer be looked upon as the unilateral responsibility of women.

Delphi was a positive experience despite criticism

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Before arriving on campus, the freshman class of 2009 was presented with an interesting opportunity.

Professor Stern and other faculty here at Ursinus had pulled together and decided to attempt bringing the CIE experience into the dorms.

They called this opportunity Project Delphi.

About 20 students were selected from the batch of applicants before the fall semester.

Stauffer 2 was to be their residence hall.

The program was designed to put all of these students in the same hall, but to also spread them out between two CIE classes.

The desired result would be

the students living and learning together.

“From my understanding, Delphi didn’t have much of a goal. It was supposed to be an experiment: what happens when you take a group of freshmen, all intellectually motivated but within a variety of different fields, and let them live and take CIE together? We were given a sum of money from the school and allowed to do our own projects, have our own dinners, host our own events,” said junior Eddy Kosik, a member of the first Delphi project.

The program seemed successful its first year, Kosik said.

Unfortunately, the second year was not as successful.

The program ended after its second try.

“I heard a lot of sad stuff about it last year. People wanted

it to die. The people who were running it last year voted it down,” said Cara Uhrich, who also was a member of the first experiment.

“I remember our year fondly. We were already best friends and causing ruckus and jousting in roly chairs down the hall way, at three in the morning. Delphi itself was defined by the people that were in it, and if the people that were in it really cared about something, it would get done, and it was amazing, it was beautiful,” Uhrich said.

This beautiful experience however did not translate to the rest campus.

“I’ve gathered that many students and professors viewed Delphi as elitist, as a well-disguised—or not-so-well-disguised—honors program.

When the ‘Delphi kids’ walked around campus together, they

were viewed as ‘the smart kids,’ for better or worse—mostly for worse,” Kosik said.

“I can’t speak for all of Delphi—and judging from the other members’ reactions, not many other people agree with me—but I found Delphi to have been a success,” Kosik said.

When asked about her response to those with a negative view of Delphi, Uhrich pointed out how much she enjoyed her freshman experience.

“If only you could have seen my year,” Uhrich said.

Delphi was an experience that taught its students a lot.

Some lessons were not perfect and not helpful.

Others were. Uhrich found her best friends and Kosik found his way.

“For better or worse, Delphi brought me into Ursinus as someone outside of the main

culture— as one of those weird kids in Stauffer 2, or one of those weird kids dressed as pilgrims and Native Americans at the school’s Thanksgiving dinner—and that influenced how I approached the rest of my time here. It was a personal success, at the very least,” Kosik said.

Regardless of angry history and the unfortunate stigma of Delphi, it is beneficial to see that there was something to be learned from it, something good hidden under the bad, something to be seen in the fact that Delphi was made by the people in it.

For an audio slideshow with more information on Project Delphi, visit <http://hosting.sound-slides.com/6dgrn/>

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graduate, as I'm really not ready to quit any time real soon. Whether through open competition after graduation, coaching or just staying in shape or maybe playing in some rec. leagues, I think I'll stay involved in athletics for a long time," Carr said.

Senior softball player Kate Kehoe can sympathize, yet see eye to eye with all of her senior counterparts.

"I have been playing since the 4th grade. It's been such a big part of my life, and I honestly can't imagine not playing softball. I am not necessarily ok with calling it quits, but I know it's my time. I have had great time playing the sport I love, and have learned so much. It's time to move on and take what I have learned throughout the years and apply those to my new career," Kehoe said.

For the California native, Ursinus was a long way from home, and four years ago, the east coast certainly did not seem to be a location where Kehoe would call home after receiving her degree.

However, Kehoe will be living out a rather unique dream, all while staying close to her life's passion of athletics.

"I will actually not be moving

back to California, but instead I will be moving to New York City. I will be doing an internship with the New York Yankees and start two weeks after graduation. It has always been a dream of mine to work for the Yankees, and I'm extremely excited to see where this takes me," Kehoe said.

While there were differing opinions across the board regarding the ending of seasons and futures in athletics, one response was common to each of these five seniors. What's the aspect of their athletic careers that they will miss most?

Simple, as Kraus explained, the camaraderie with teammates will be the aspect that is most difficult to leave behind.

"You spend so much time with them throughout four years and build great relationships with all of them. I will miss the camaraderie of being a part of a team the most," Argentine said.

"When you become part of a team you become part of a family, and it will be really hard to leave that family when I graduate," Thren said.

Kehoe agreed.

"I will miss my teammates. I have so much fun with each and every one and love them dearly. I will also miss the competitiveness and the feeling I get when I

step onto the field with my team. I know those are things that can't be replaced in my book," Kehoe said.

With roughly three weeks of competition remaining, each student athlete has different goals.

Some are aiming for individual and team conference titles, others are focused on making Ursinus history, and one has said they hope to do nothing more than enjoy each day as they head towards the end of athletics and college in general.

Perhaps Carr's words regarding his time at Ursinus sum up the gratitude of these athletes the best.

"I'm going to have some lifelong friends as a result of my time on the track team. My closer friends on the team and I have had some really good and unforgettable times. I'm going to miss not seeing them every day," Carr said.

There is no doubt that Ursinus athletics have worked their way into the hearts of each and every one of these five outstanding senior student athletes, and sadly many more seniors' athletic and scholastic careers will come to an end in early May.

If one thing is certain, these Bears will not be letting go of their experiences anytime soon.



Courtesy of James Wagner

Kehoe, a media and communication studies major, has appeared in 19 of the Lady Bears games thus far this season.

Men's lacrosse battles #18 Gettysburg

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As the saying goes, it's not how you start, it's how you finish.

Unfortunately, the saying had the reverse effect on the Ursinus Men's Lacrosse team this past Saturday as they lost to Centennial Conference opponent and 18th ranked Gettysburg away from home.

The loss puts the Bears at 5-6 overall, and 1-3 in conference play with four conference games remaining.

Ursinus fell behind 9-1 after Gettysburg netted its fifth goal of the 3rd period with 0:43 left.

However, the Bears battled back and outscored Gettysburg 6-3 in the final period of play and, at one point, cut the lead to 11-9 with 3:36 left in regulation after freshman midfielder Jake Weber tallied his third goal of the game.

Ultimately, Gettysburg stretched their lead to 12-9 after Ryan Fumai netted his fourth goal of the game, ending the Bears'

comeback hopes and stretching Gettysburg's record to 7-3 overall and 4-0 in conference play.

Ursinus was also outshot by Gettysburg by a wide margin of 43-26.

Individually, junior goalkeeper T.J. Magnani saved 12 shots and senior attacker Dave Kraus scored two goals and assisted on another.

"We played good defense in the 1st half but did not finish our opportunities on offense," said head coach Jamie Steele.

"When we had our comeback the guys were just playing fast and attacking and we almost pulled it out," Steele said.

All is not lost for the team though, having reached only the halfway point in their conference schedule and with a home date with McDaniel on Saturday looming.

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Head coach men's lacrosse

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An important week of conference games begins Saturday as the Bears follow up their game against McDaniel with trips to Haverford and Muhlenberg, giving the Bears a chance to climb their way back up the Centennial Conference standings.

"This loss (to Gettysburg) really should put a fire under our feet going into the final few in-conference games remaining on our schedule," junior attacker Taylor Allen said.

"The next 4 games or so are basically must-win games for us if we want to fulfill our expecta-

tions for the season. All of the teams we still have to play are very beatable if we just play our game and stay consistent," Allen said.

"If we were to win out we would have an overwhelming amount of momentum leading up to the Centennial Conference Playoffs," Allen said.

Although the first half of conference play has not been very kind to the Bears, the second half will prove the teams' mettle and mental toughness, according to senior midfielder Jeff Ocampo, who is the reigning Centennial Conference Player of the Year.

"There's a phrase we use somewhat often, 'Physical toughness is never say die; mental toughness is not even thinking it.' To me, that's how we build, learning to ignore the future and play in the moment," said Ocampo, who scored his tenth goal of the season in Saturday's loss.

"We're at our best when we're having fun on each play, just doing your own job, trusting your

buddy to do his, and letting things fall where they may," Ocampo said.

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Midfielder

Beginning on Saturday at 3 p.m., the Bears get a chance to start the second half of their conference schedule, which will go a long way in determining how they will finish this season out.

If they finish their season the way they finished Saturday's game, watch out.

Seniors wrapping up athletic careers

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In recent weeks, members of the Class of 2012 have certainly come to the realization that their days at Ursinus are numbered.

Less than one month remains for all graduating Ursinus seniors, and for spring athletes, time is ticking on more than just their undergraduate education; retirement from competitive scholastic athletics is now a grim reality.

A four year athletic career in the Centennial Conference, for athletes of any season, amounts to roughly 12 months of in-season activity.

Roughly three months of each academic year are spent in the fall, winter, and spring seasons, and each year these three months seem to be a blur.

"They all go so quick, but this one definitely is going the fastest. Much quicker than normal," said Lou Argentine, senior second basemen and co-captain for the baseball team.

Senior men's track and field thrower, Andrew Carr, echoed these statements.

"It has gone by pretty fast. The season always seems to (move quickly) but, yeah, this year in particular has flown by. It's really a shame, you wish you had more time," Carr said.

Argentine, a decorated student athlete who will begin medical school at Drexel University College of Medicine, has actually been playing baseball as long as



Courtesy of James Wagner

Argentine has been a fixture in the Bears' lineup for the better part of the last three seasons at second base. Listed at 5'10" and 175 lbs, Argentine is hitting .260 on the year and has started every game.

he has been a student. However, now, he will look to move on and partake in a more recreational fashion.

"I've been playing baseball for 16 years. Not ready to call it quits completely yet, but ready to tone it down, maybe play part time in

adult summer leagues. I realize that I'm at the point of my life where I need to spend more time on school and focus more on career goals," Argentine said.

For others, the concept of giving up the commitments that are collegiate athletics will not be so

simple.

"I've been playing since seventh grade and I'm definitely not ready to call it quits," said senior women's lacrosse player Alyssa Thren.

Best known for her historic career as a field hockey star, Thren,

who is leading the Lady Bears in goals once again in 2012, will be able to reflect on a long line of athletic achievement at Ursinus.

However, even for the duel sport superstar, the culmination of a career is never easy.

"It's a very bittersweet feeling knowing this is the last collegiate sport and team I will be a part of. It's nice to look back and see the accomplishments you have made with the program, but it's also one of those experiences in life you don't want to end," Thren said.

After graduation Thren will aim to be actively involved in athletics as a health and physical education teacher, and coach.

"I plan on joining clubs and leagues for retired athletes in both field hockey and lacrosse too. I also plan on coaching because I know I won't be able to stay away from athletics," Thren said.

Senior men's lacrosse player Dave Kraus feels similarly to Thren.

"I hope to be active in lacrosse after graduation both playing and coaching. I don't think I'll ever be ready to call it quits," Kraus said.

Carr, who plans to study applied mathematics and statistics down the road, hopes he can remain competitively involved, in the years to come.

"I'd like to think I still have a few good years of unattached competition left in me after I

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Upcoming UC Sports Schedule

4/14
Women's Lacrosse
vs. McDaniel
12 p.m.

4/14
Women's Tennis
vs. Franklin and Marshall
1 p.m.
(Senior Day)

4/14
Men's Tennis
vs. McDaniel
1 p.m.

4/14
Baseball
Game 2
vs. Johns Hopkins
3 p.m.

4/14
Baseball
Game 1
vs. Johns Hopkins
12:30 p.m.

4/14
Softball
Game 1
vs. McDaniel
1 p.m.
(Senior Day)

4/14
Men's Lacrosse
vs. McDaniel
3 p.m.

4/14
Softball
Game 2
vs. McDaniel
3 p.m.
(Senior Day)

