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Photo courtesy of Keith Larkin

Ragball International is an organization that helps young people from Africa earn a fair wage and entrepreneurial training. Ragballs are made from plastic bags and newspapers, and have helped support hundreds of people in Africa.

Ragball tournament returns

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Imagine playing your favorite sport with a ball made of 100% recyclable material. What once seemed farfetched has now become reality through organizations like Ragball International who train and educate African children to produce these products. Their slogan, "One's man's trash is another kid's future," has already touched people all around the world. An on campus club, Enactus, has decided to bring the innovation of Ragball to Ursinus yet again through its 4th annual Ragball Tournament.

Enactus is a club on campus that launches entrepreneurial projects focused on the betterment of the community. The club, which accepts members on a rolling basis, is designed to integrate the student body in a way that

encompasses business-like experience with a charitable goal. Enactus vice-president John Blair and project manager Keith Larkin explained club's achievements, goals, and aspirations with regards to Ragball.

"It's pretty much an entrepreneurial community service club that tries to go out and make a positive impact," Blair said. "We are currently helping a local brewery get started and we're making a business plan for them. Right now we're focusing on where they should start their business."

Blair was emphatic about the noticeable impact a small group can have on small enterprise and sustainable economic opportunity in the area and internationally. Furthermore, he explained the benefits of Enactus besides the real world experience. The club is an international organization

that provides exclusive networking opportunities to members enlisted.

He explained, "you can get a lot of contacts through the club. They send out newsletters with job offerings available specifically to Enactus members." Larkin continued by explaining the intangible skills obtained through involvement in the club stating, "You learn a lot of valuable skills that you can take along the way for other things. You learn really good planning and interpersonal skills." Both Larkin and Blair were sure to clarify the accessibility of Enactus to all majors. Despite the economics-based foundation of the club, ideas are welcome and encouraged from the entire student body.

Recently, Enactus has had its

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UC responds to drop in ranking

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Ursinus College was left off of US News and World Report's 2015 "Best Colleges" ranking for the first time in the list's 30-plus years of publication. The absence was due to a misinterpretation of a question, which ended up disqualifying Ursinus. One year off the list, however, should not have too much of an impact on the college, according to Rick DiFelicianantonio, vice president for enrollment at Ursinus.

Ursinus was left off of the list because of one misinterpreted question. The question asked, "Does your institution make use of SAT, ACT, or SAT Subject Test scores in admission decisions for first-time, first-year, degree-seeking applicants?" Ursinus made the judgment to answer "no" to the question because the application for admission is SAT optional. In previous years, Ursinus answered "yes" because they did make use of SAT scores.

If Ursinus was aware that answering the question with a "no" would have disqualified them, they would have answered differently.

However, US News and World Report is not the only magazine that uses the answers, so when other surveys see that Ursinus answered "yes" to the question, they publish that Ursinus uses SAT scores, which is technically incorrect.

If US News and World Report looked at the questions around the one that was answered incorrectly, they could have seen that Ursinus does look at SAT scores if they are submitted. Ursinus went on to give them numbers and percentiles of the SAT scores of students who had submitted them.

However, there does not seem

to be too much of an impact because of a one-year absence from the list. Because the school figured out where everything went wrong, they will be able to fix the mistake for next year.

People on campus are not too worried about the absence, particularly because they know where they stand. "I don't think a year absence will have a difference at all," said DiFelicianantonio.

Ursinus is located in the "National Liberal Arts Colleges" category and was ranked 75th in last year's edition and 82nd two years ago.

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— Rick DiFelicianantonio
Vice President for Enrollment

where we would have been ranked in fall 2014 is 77th," said Angelo Sorrentino, director of institutional research at Ursinus.

Ursinus is in a good position, being ranked alongside a very competitive group of schools each year.

"I am sure it would look better for each of us and the school if we were included," Samantha Salomon, a senior at Ursinus, said. "But I am not sure if being included in this list will even impact Ursinus, and I feel like this list is just used by colleges to brag."

The students, faculty, and staff have plenty of other things to brag about. As long as everybody who knows Ursinus knows the real reason they were excluded, nothing will come of the one-year absence.



Photo courtesy of Grace Steel

Angela Cuva, assistant director of leadership development and student activities, is interviewed by Channel 6 Action News during the premiere of "How to Get Away With Murder." The new ABC show was partially filmed in Olin Auditorium over spring break in early 2014.

Assault addressed

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Sexual assault is a major social issue, and on college campuses across the US, it is a central and controversial topic of conversation. At Ursinus, the conversation resonates with the Office of Student Affairs, which is continually making an effort to sustain a safe campus environment.

The controversy is centered on the ways in which colleges handle sexual assault cases. Last summer, The New York Times investigated a case at Hobart and William Smith Colleges in central New York. An 18 year-old freshman, referred to in the piece as "Anna," reported a sexual assault she had experienced on the campus.

With an eyewitness of the assault and medical records proving she had been raped, it seemed likely that Anna's assailant would be found guilty. But after just 12 days, the college had investigated the case, held a hearing, and cleared the accused. "It felt like I had nowhere to go," she told the Times.

Unfortunately, Anna's experience is not isolated. Recently, the Center for Public Integrity, a nonprofit investigative journalism organization, released the results of a year-long investigation into college sexual assault policies. The center interviewed 50 experts familiar with the campus disciplinary process, as well as 33 who have reported being sexually assaulted by other students. The inquiry included a review of records in select cases; a survey of 152 crisis services programs and clinics on or near college campuses; and an examination of 10 years of complaints filed against institutions with the U.S. Education Department under Title IX and the Clery Act.

The research revealed that stu-

dents deemed "responsible" for alleged sexual assaults on college campuses can face little or no consequence for their acts. For the victims, the trauma of assault can be compounded by a lack of institutional support, and even disciplinary action.

The Office of Student Affairs at Ursinus, in light of these issues, had made an effort to balance protocol with a consciousness of student needs. If a student reports an on-campus sexual assault, "it's very important that we get their buy-in" to investigate, dean of students Debbie Nolan said. "When we have to investigate—when there's a risk to the student or to the rest of the campus community—we keep the student informed in every step of the process."

Nolan is concerned about what she called the "courtroom setting" of many college judicial boards. She feels the setting can be intimidating to victims, discouraging them to come forward and discuss their assault. "When some victims are really just trying to understand what happened to them, what is happening so often is a focus on procedure and process, which becomes pretty public," explained Nolan. "That's not the most healing way to get through it."

Three years ago, Ursinus began the Peer Advocates program, in the hopes that offering students a community of peers in sexual assault cases would foster a campus-wide sense of safety.

"It's kind of like having a sworn friend that isn't going to judge you," Xylia Serafy, a peer advocate, said.

The Peer Advocates, the RAs and Office of Student Affairs are working to ensure that Ursinus students have a safe, educated community.

Letter to the Editor

In response to the article, "Argument against wet campus is a slippery one," published on September 11, 2014

By Jeanine Hanson
Parent of an Ursinus student

I just finished reading your wet campus article. As a parent of an Ursinus student, I was not happy about what was printed to the students. When you send your kids to college, as a parent you want them in a safe environment, and I believe having a wet campus encourages drinking. We know what it's like to turn 21 and feel like it is now our given right to drink, and while 21 year olds feel like they're responsible adults, most of them aren't. They don't know what responsible drinking

is, and the big thing is which party to attend that weekend. When my child entered their freshman year, they were extremely upset when a fellow scholarship-winning freshman came from one of these parties, back to the dorm, and vomited all over. Your party host didn't seem to care too much when they left, and the kid ended up at the hospital. Although it is stated that underage drinking will not be tolerated, nothing happened. There were no consequences for that. Then sophomore year, a drunken student on their floor found their way

into the room and climbed in bed with the roommate. When asked to leave, he proceeded to piss all over the floor. Did that person at the very least have to clean up the mess? Nope, there were no consequences, not even an apology. So, if there are no consequences to the underage drinkers, the older ones can do as they please. There are plenty of bars in the Ursinus vicinity, and that should be enough. I say no wet campus, get rid of the drinking, no one is that responsible at 21, and Ursinus is certainly not responsible about what its students do.

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Sustainability kicks off

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This week is Sustainability Week, which is coordinated each year by the Office of Sustainability. Their flyer on the Ursinus website gives a comprehensive timeline of the events planned, as well as some the daily objectives.

Every day, the community is encouraged to "power down" by turning off and unplugging any technology they do not need in order to conserve energy. An incentive for the power down initiative is a competition between residence halls to see who can conserve the most energy between Oct. 1 and Oct. 31. Additionally, students are asked to pay attention to which bins they are depositing their waste into in Lower Wismer. Other daily signs of Sustainability Week will include facts and tips posted all over campus, and signs in campus bathrooms educating us on water conservation.

On Monday the annual "What kind of bear are you?" quiz was posted, which asks about green living certification. On Tuesday a relatively new event took place: green roof planting on the Bertram Museum roof. This event first took place on April 16, 2010, but was not continued since.

It began with student research on the implications and effects of having a green roof on cam-

pus. The hope was that one day students would be able to sit atop Myrin or Wismer in a rooftop garden, socializing and enjoying the outdoors. This project is being revitalized this year, and is definitely an exciting development for our campus.

On Wednesday from 12-1 p.m. the Office of Sustainability will be hosting the Sustainability Fair in Olin Plaza. Attractions include the campus farmers market, a "real food" challenge taste testing, information on Ursinus' sustainable transportation initiatives, and games.

Sustainable transportation refers to programs like UC Bike Share and the ZipCar program. If you have a car on campus and park in the Wismer Lot, you may have noticed two spots occupied by "zip cars". These cars are a part of the Zipcar car sharing program, which offers an around-the-clock transportation option for campus community members over 18.

Brandon Hoover of the Office of Sustainability coordinated this program and said that it helps by "addressing rising costs of transportation and their resulting greenhouse gas emissions requires creative thinking and diversified transportation options. Public transportation isn't always easy, and not everyone is comfortable riding a bike, but this doesn't mean we all need person-

al automobiles."

On Thursday, the community bike ride will take place, starting in Olin Plaza at 4 p.m. You also should look out for ingredients from the Ursinus Organic Farm during dinner, because Wismer will be hosting an organic farm meal. On Friday, the Office of Sustainability will be hosting another sustainable meal, but instead it will be a "no tech" picnic on Paisley Beach to conserve energy.

Another exciting new event this year is the Office of Sustainability's collaboration with Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy (PWC) to plant trees on Saturday from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. PWC's mission is to provide environmental education, as well as enhance the quality of life for those who live in the communities surrounding the Perkiomen Creek.

They host various community events, and this year Ursinus will be a part of one of them. Interested students should meet the group in Lower Wismer, and email the Office of Sustainability to reserve a ride.

Sustainability Week will conclude with a fun afternoon at the Organic Farm's Fall Festival on Sunday, Oct. 5. From 2-4 p.m., the Ursinus community is invited to join in on pumpkin carving, music, games, and cider.

make these balls, which they can then sell to support their families."

The concept of 'give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime' is what attracted Enactus to this project. The cause not only helps real world issues like starvation, but also plants the seed for future entrepreneurial endeavors.

Enactus plans to incorporate Ragball on campus by first raising awareness of the problems plaguing African nations specifically. They then hope to raise revenue that will be donated to Ragball International to help develop their program even more. Enactus will be hosting a ragball tournament in which teams will enter to play competitive soccer games using the ragballs themselves. The tournament will be held during the

fall semester and then again in the spring through youth soccer organizations for a larger tournament. Teams will include five people each and will cost \$10 per team. Larkin also explained that ragballs as well as t-shirts displaying the slogan "Balls With Benefits" will also be up for sale in hopes of raising charitable revenue.

He explained, "We are sending the profits back to them so that they can invest in their teachers, in different things within themselves, and in the actual kids involved."

Students interested in becoming involved in Enactus or in enlisting in the Ragball tournament should contact Blair or Larkin via email to start making a difference. Projects like Ragball are available all around campus and make a huge difference to communities in need.

Top stories from around the globe

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Sierra Leone Tries Lock-Down to Combat Ebola

Last week the West African nation of Sierra Leone issued orders for a three-day-long lock down for all of its six million citizens, according to The Wall Street Journal.

In order to slow the spread of the deadly virus Ebola, the government health officials ordered the largest temporary quarantine since the Bubonic Plague struck Europe during the Middle Ages.

The highly contagious disease spread via contact with human bodily fluids has devastated West Africa, killing more than 3,000 people in the past 9 months, with Sierra Leone the site of more than 500 victims. The government of Sierra Leone is called for residents to remain in their homes and off the streets unless they are ill, in which case they will be transported to the nearest treatment facility.

Deadly Volcano Eruption in Japan

The Japanese volcano Mt. Ontake erupted late last week and as many as 31 mountain climbers were feared dead.

The eruption spewed thick, toxic, clouds of ash and sulfur which had the potential to block out the sun and asphyxiate people caught in its vicinity. Rescue workers told the BBC they had located 31 unconscious hikers

who were in various stages of cardiac arrest, but were only able to safely removed four before efforts were halted due to the advance of the volcanic fumes.

If rescue and resuscitation are not possible, the Mt. Ontake eruption will be Japan's first lethal eruption in 14 years. The island nation's terrain is 65% mountainous regions and contains 110 active volcanos, the largest of which is Mt. Fuji, which last erupted in 2007.

Protestors Seek Democracy in Hong Kong

Hong Kong's central financial district has been occupied over the last week by a series of protests by students and democracy supporters seeking more control over the electing process for the city's leaders. Currently, Hong Kong is tightly controlled by a committee of about 1,200 mostly pro-China politicians.

China has had a very strong influence on the territorial Hong Kong since the UK seceded power over the city in the 1990s, but Hong Kong has maintained more control over its own affairs than the large cities of the Chinese mainland.

While China's Communist Party has instituted some token changes towards creating a free market economy and allowed some privatization of business, social reforms and the right to vote are still tightly controlled. Hong Kong's leading group proposed allowing citizens to vote for its next Chief Executive, but only from a list of committee vetted candidates.

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hands full with the organization of Ragball International on the Ursinus campus. As stated on the firm's website, "Ragball international is an income generation project in which young people from Africa produce handmade soccer balls from recycled materials in exchange for a fair wage and entrepreneurial training."

This concept has grown exponentially since its inception and has begun to filtrate itself into American society. Enactus club members first became interested in this organization three years ago. Project manager Larkin explained, "it's not a charity. They don't just give away money. What they do is they teach them skills they can use for the rest of their lives. They teach them how to



Photo courtesy of Alexis Primavera

Professor Cari Freno joins the ranks of many new Ursinus faculty members this year. Freno is an assistant professor of sculpture and drawing in the art department.

New art professor explains why she came to Ursinus

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How should we live our lives? What does it mean to be human? What is the universe and how do we fit into it? These are the questions that guide Ursinus College's Common Intellectual Experience course, otherwise known as CIE.

These questions also guide Cari Freno, one of the newest professors to join the Ursinus College community.

Freno grew up in a small, sheltered suburb just outside of Cleveland, Ohio. She was drawn to art, and because it was the most interesting subject to her at the time, she decided to pursue it at the undergraduate level.

She moved to Philadelphia to study for her undergraduate degree at the University of the Arts and majored in ceramics. Moving to Philadelphia was a huge cultural shift for her.

"I grew up in a pretty rural, sheltered place and was really curious about the way that other people lived their lives, so I definitely wanted to get out of there and see what different cultures were like," said Freno.

After studying for her undergraduate degree, Freno became very interested in urban education, particularly the education system in Philadelphia.

She had a literacy internship with the School District of Philadelphia, and taught literacy in kindergarten and third grade for three years.

However, she decided classroom teaching was not what she wanted to pursue. She decided to go back to graduate school for art at Virginia Commonwealth University.

After graduate school, Freno worked at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts (PAFA) in the museum education department. During her graduate studies and while working at PAFA, she continued to focus on her artwork.

A lot of the artwork she made was video work that was self-documentation in various places, particularly state parks where she explored her relationship to the landscape. More recently she has changed focus with her artwork.

"A lot of my work deals with tension that exists between civi-

lization and nature," while also exploring "the meaning of being human in this context of the natural world or nature," said Freno.

The constant exploration of relationships to the world and searching for what it means to be alive and human are questions that Freno constantly tries to express through her artwork. They are also questions that led her to come to Ursinus College.

"I wanted to come to Ursinus because I didn't go to a liberal arts school, but when I started finding out the concept of what a liberal arts school was and the way that it develops students, and even the CIE course, it resonated with me in a pretty powerful way," said Freno. "The questions that guide the CIE course, what is our place in the universe, what does it mean to be human... those are some of the questions that I think about while making my own work, so it was a really exciting connection."

Freno believes in helping with the development of students' ideas, which seems to be the underlying philosophy at Ursinus.

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What's the CSCG?

Center for Science and the Common Good encourages students to think about the impact of science on society

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"What is the common good?" This is a question that Aubrey Paris and other fellows of the Center for Science and the Common Good are constantly trying to answer. At the end of each summer, the fellows come to Ursinus for training and they always begin by discussing this question.

"We've come up with so many different definitions," said Paris. "Everyone has their own idea about what it means."

The center purposely doesn't provide students with a definition of the common good, according to its primary faculty adviser Robert Dawley. It tries to get students to keep this question as well as the major CIE questions in mind while they work within their specialized majors.

"CSCG is about grappling with these questions, not about us telling students what the answers are," said Dawley. "Just as CIE is a question-driven course, CSCG is a question-driven center. We want students to think about the impacts science has on society."

Being a CSCG fellow has allowed Paris to find her own definition of the common good and helped her learn ways to apply this definition to her own research interests.

"For me, I think the common good is something that is benefiting the greatest number of people," said Paris. "I'm interested in alternative energy sources and in my opinion the most people would be benefited if we were to come up with a new strategy. I've become interested in using carbon dioxide in the air and actually turning it back into fuels."

Before becoming a CSCG fellow, Paris had always known that she'd want to do scientific research.

"But working with the center and meeting so many interesting people, particularly our lecturers, has really opened up my eyes to the world of science policy, so after getting a PhD in chemistry I actually want to move into science policy," said Paris.

The center's lecture series gets students like Paris to think about the common good and how it relates to their careers in science. Many of the speakers at these lectures are scientists who are civically engaged, according to Dawley.

"Each time a speaker comes, we get a different point of view on what the common good is," said Dawley.

Another way that CSCG fel-

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Word on the Street

If you could add an academic department to Ursinus, what department would that be and why?

"I would add elementary education and environmental sciences, not studies. Oh, maybe geology too." - Mary Schardt, 2015

"Entomology." - Aaron Lemson, 2016

"I wouldn't add a department but I would like to add classes to departments that are limited in their selection" - Aliya Teja, 2015

"I would make computer science a separate department from mathematics to help with funding issues." - Matthew Rink, 2015

"I would expand the women and gender studies department by adding queer theory to it" - Sophia Lisowski, 2016



Photo courtesy of Andrew Tran

The cast of "The Picture of Dorian Gray" rehearses in the Lenfest Theater in full costume. Directed by Professor Domenick Scudera, the show will run from Oct. 1 through Oct. 4, with shows beginning at 7:30 P.M.

Scudera adapts Oscar Wilde

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Murder, mystery, and British accents. All these things are involved in the Ursinus College theater production of Oscar Wilde's "The Picture of Dorian Gray." Instead of choosing one of the many plays Oscar Wilde had written, Professor Domenick Scudera decided to adapt Wilde's only novel into a stage production.

"I thought a challenge could be to take this novel that he wrote and turn it into a play," said Scudera. "I spent the whole summer working on it. Parts of it were easy and parts of it were difficult."

"The Picture of Dorian Gray" is about a young man of the eponymous name who is painted by Basil Hallward. He then meets Lord Wotton and becomes influenced by Lord Wotton's hedonistic way of thinking. Dorian Gray then curses the portrait and sells his soul to be forever young. In consequence, the portrait ages while he does not.

"It's an exciting story that has

a lot of twists and turns. There's a murder in it," says Scudera. "It's a great 19th century melodrama in a way because it's got all that excitement and intrigue."

The play will follow the novel as closely as it can.

"The script that Domenick has adapted is as faithful as possible and he's done an excellent job transcribing it as he can," said sophomore Arthur Robinson, who has read the original text.

Robinson will be playing Lord Henry "Harry" Wotton in this production.

The play, which started out for President Bobby Fong will now be performed in his honor.

"Initially I wanted to do something written by Oscar Wilde because Bobby Fong was an Oscar Wilde scholar," said Scudera.

He wanted Bobby Fong to play a part in the production. Robinson said the cast was unanimous in the decision of dedicating the performance to him and they want to do a good job for him.

"His spirit is a part of what we're doing," said Scudera

Thirteen students are taking a part in this production. Some

of them will be playing multiple roles. Oscar Wilde writes in a very specific style and Scudera wanted to make sure the cast could handle Wilde's style.

"I chose this cast based on what I felt was their suitability for the material," said Scudera.

Robinson loves being in the cast.

"Everyone is really talented and very cohesive," said Robinson.

"I really enjoy working with this cast," said Dustin Brinker, a sophomore who will be playing the role of Dorian Gray in this production. "They're great."

Brinker and Robinson are both excited to play their roles. The entire cast has to don British accents for this play. Brinker and Robinson have found it difficult to keep up with the accent.

"Most of the actors already had a pretty good inclination towards a British accent. We are ironing out inconsistencies, but they are doing a nice job," said Scudera.

"The Picture of Dorian Gray" will run from October first through the fourth at 7:30 p.m.

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"I've worked with a lot of different people in the realm of education, and for developing an undergraduate student, Ursinus' philosophy, basically, was really exciting to me and I really wanted to be a part of it," said Freno. "It just seemed to be a really natural fit for me because I love talking through ideas with students, I love coming up with concepts and how can I help support their concept or how can I open other avenues of thinking to them if they're thinking about a concept."

Eventually Freno said she might have a clear connection from her own work to teaching.

"I'm teaching beginning courses, so it's a lot about material exploration and learning how to safely use art processes, like the woodshop or plaster," said Freno

She said that students are asked to conceive their own ideas and are asked to bring concepts they are learning on other disciplines through work or materials or processes.

However, Freno's philosophy

has already seemed to resonate with her students.

Aubrey Basla, a freshman student in Freno's beginning sculpture class, said that Freno is willing to discuss differing views about a project along with her own input.

"She's very accepting of your ideas and she's willing to give you more information about other artists," said Basla.

Freno guides her students to show tangible expressions of their thoughts through different mediums.

"[She helps you with] the ability to convey your ideas through different materials and make sure it's done well both creatively and technically."

Freno likes Ursinus so far, especially the fact that the students are very engaged in class. She feels supported by the faculty and deans in developing new content and connected to new faculty members. She is very excited about working with the Berman Museum of Art and also running and reorganizing the art studio.

Freno's art and Ursinus' philosophy will continue to mesh together.

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lows explore the relationships between the common good, science, and the CIE questions is through the courses they take, according to Dawley. In addition to their science courses, the fellows take six courses that aren't sciences.

"CSCG fellows are encouraged to take all of the other meaningful and useful classes outside of science that will really help shape their careers as civically engaged scientists," said Dawley.

"We advise these students to take full advantage of the liberal arts education that Ursinus has to offer."

Paris has taken courses about environmental ethics and bio-

medical ethics, which she said had a lot of applications to science policy. She also said that her environmental ethics class really tied in well with her interest in alternative energy.

"Science is such an important part of our world," said Paul Stern, another faculty coordinator of the center. "If you're going to understand your situation in the 21st century, which is the goal of a liberal education, you have to understand the impact science has on your world both for good and for ill."



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Happening on Campus

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 p.m. Dinner and a show: Oscar Wilde's "The Picture of Dorian Gray"	4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. U-Imagine Center happy hour and open house 7:30 p.m. Dinner and a show: Oscar Wilde's "The Picture of Dorian Gray"	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Collegetown farmers' market 7:30 p.m. Dinner and a show: Oscar Wilde's "The Picture of Dorian Gray"	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Fall harvest festival	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. From Debutantes to Good Citizens: The Jewish Sorority Experience in America	7:00 p.m. Center for Science and the Common Good Presents Dr. Jody Roberts	12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. PricewaterhouseCoopers information session 8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Gender and Sexuality Alliance meeting

Curbing your enthusiasm

A polemic against the Main Street catcalling problem

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If I had a dollar for every time I've experienced street harassment during my time at Ursinus, I'd be in a slightly better position to pay off my student loans come graduation. A recent incident left me particularly baffled.

Early this semester, I was walking up Main Street and a man in a passing car leaned as far as he could out the passenger side window to yell at me. Never in my life has a TLC song felt so resonant.

All jokes aside, this was the last straw in many ways. It was a sonic intrusion, a disruption, a feeling that my walking to CVS gave all passing cars permission

to evaluate and comment on my physical appearance. After this happened, my body was tense for the rest of my walk. I felt vulnerable and exposed. No, I won't bother to describe what I was wearing that day because it absolutely doesn't matter.

Some people seemed confused that I wasn't flattered. A fellow UC student even commented "at least you know you're good looking" and that reaction disappointed me. It disappointed me because it reinforced the problematic assumption that if my physical appearance is appraised and approved in such a public arena, it must be validating. It's not validating, but rather, conflicting. Women who come of age in this society are conditioned to look to men for validation and approval.

However, we are also conditioned to fear men: to be aware. To dress conservatively. To not get raped.

I acknowledge that this Main Street harassment is not limited to women. I know male students who have had objects thrown at them and expletives yelled at them. Nevertheless, it happens with alarming frequency to female students; women on this campus can expect street harassment on a near daily basis. I know women who consciously choose their attire based on their anticipation of vehicular feedback.

Sophomore Kisha Patel admits, "I panic sometimes," and friend of mine who lives on Main Street told me she was planning on wearing a dress one day, but ultimately decided to change because she didn't want to deal

with the honks and catcalls. Senior Leah Garrity reports that she was walking with a group of women and the same car drove by three times. She heard the words "whores" and "bitches" yelled at the group.

I am by no means demonizing men, or saying that the men who honk and catcall on Main Street are awful misogynists. No, they are just doing what they know to do, and that's the problem. It goes beyond saying, "I am not an object and you should feel ashamed for objectifying me."

The commonplace occurrence of such objectification of the female form, considered within the larger framework of our society, suggests that we are fundamentally broken where gender is con-

cerned. Men gain clout with other men by objectifying women. Sociologist Michael S. Kimmel contextualizes American masculinity and manhood as "setting our definitions in opposition to a set of 'others'—racial minorities, sexual minorities, and above all, women."

In other words, according to the construct of American masculinity, objectifying and showing dominance over a woman makes you more of a "man."

Let's be very clear about this: When you yell or whistle at a woman on the street you reduce her to an object. Being in a car adds to the power differential. Main Street should not feel like a gauntlet for anyone, especially not women.

Voting in mid-term elections is important

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The 2014 midterm elections are just around the corner, and the deadline in Pennsylvania to register to vote is Oct. 6. In the Myrin Library, on the third floor next to the registrar's office, voter registration forms are available.

If you are an out-of-state student and still wish to vote in your home state, check with your state's dot gov website. If you are already registered to vote from a previous election here in Pennsylvania or elsewhere, use your county election services section of county websites to confirm registration. Montgomery County in the May 2014 primary enacted voter scrubbing provisions of the election code, essentially removing voters from the rolls who had not voted in the past several elec-

tions. These upcoming elections are significant for many political reasons, and with so much on the line it is important to have your voice heard and your vote counted.

Here in Pennsylvania, there is a heated and nationally watched gubernatorial election, between incumbent governor and former Pennsylvania Attorney General Tom Corbett and former Pennsylvania revenue secretary and York County businessman Tom Wolf.

While Wolf has a sizable lead at the moment, polls show many undecided voters and both sides are spending and attacking early. In every election, every vote counts and has impact, but the 2014 Pennsylvania gubernatorial election, according to political analysts and commentators, will come down to turnout. Midterms

historically have lower turnouts than presidential contests, but this election has just as much or more bearing on your day-to-day life than a presidential election. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any state for that matter, passes and enforces laws, spends billions of dollars annually, and levies taxes that have a tremendous effect on everyday life.

As college students that impact can range from the imposing of sales taxes to higher education state grants. New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, and Massachusetts, where many out-of-state Ursinus students hail from have major gubernatorial, senatorial, and congressional elections in November. The stakes are the same, so we all must do our democratic duty and vote.

Do you ever wonder why politicians and candidates bend over backwards to older voters or fear

altering the programs they love like Social Security and Medicare? The short answer is because they vote. Older people vote like clockwork and going to the polls is more like a trip to an early bird special than a polling place sometimes. According to Paul Taylor and Mark Hugo Lopez of the Pew Research Center in a 2013 article entitled "Six take-aways from the Census Bureau's voting report," "... the so-called Millennial generation (adults, born after 1980, who are now ages 18 to 33) is certain to become a growing share of the electorate. Today they are 25.5% of the age-eligible electorate ... The turnout rates of adults ages 65 and older rose—to 71.9% in 2012 from 70.3% in 2008, according to the Census Bureau report."

While this shows some optimism, the disparity is shocking

and telling. The United States is one of the only developed countries in the world without a unified and universal system of affordable higher education. If more young people came to the polls then that might be a different story. In order for our government to be for all the people and by all the people, we must vote or get involved. In the age of social media, the president, congressmen, and senators have Facebook and Twitter accounts. Use those portals and show them you are listening and aware.

I don't care who or what you vote for this November, just get out there and participate. That's what is great about democracy. It just takes a few moments of your time, either in the voting booth or mailing an absentee ballot.

Snell Cup allows team to interact with past players

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Thirty-four years is a long time. Back in 1981, Ronald Reagan had freshly found his home in the Oval Office, the Atari 2600 was the video game system of choice, and *Raiders of the Lost Ark* topped the box office.

1981 also marked the first battle for the Snell Cup, named after long-time Ursinus field hockey coach Eleanor Frost Snell and given to the winner of the annual West Chester-Ursinus contest, and they've fought for it every year since.

West Chester sports a narrow lead with a 17-13-3 record throughout the history of the battle, and a 30-25-12 all-time lead in a matchup that dates back to 1959. And though the teams no longer play in the NCAA's Division I (Ursinus left for Division III in 2002 and West Chester now plays in Division II), it's still a tightly contested match that each team looks forward to every year.

"[The rivalry] dates way back," UC field hockey coach Janelle Benner said. "It's been competitive. What's really cool is that even though we've switched divisions, we've kept that rivalry alive and continue that battle every year."

"Overall [the game] doesn't really count for or against us, as far as our [conference] record is concerned," Benner said. "But because this is a historic matchup, there has always been a high level of competition and desire to win the game."

Last season marked the first time a new wrinkle was added: the Snell Cup Alumnae Game, featuring recent grads from each school, and the reception following. This year's cup is coming up on Sunday, Oct. 5, and each team is excitedly waiting for the chance to square off with each other and interact with past members of both teams.

"A couple years ago, the West Chester coach and I were in communication about a fun and exciting new way to get alumni involved, so we thought about doing a game after the Snell Cup," Benner said.

"They find a lot of value in making a connection with their own program and the rivalry that we've had with West Chester."

— Janelle Benner
Ursinus head field hockey coach

The match is at West Chester this year, at 1:00 p.m. with the alumni game following at 2:30 p.m. The reception will be held at Barnaby's of America in West Chester from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

"I thought it would be fun to get the alums back," WCU head coach Amy Cohen said. "The backbone of Division I, II, and III field hockey all started with the Ursinus-West Chester tradition."

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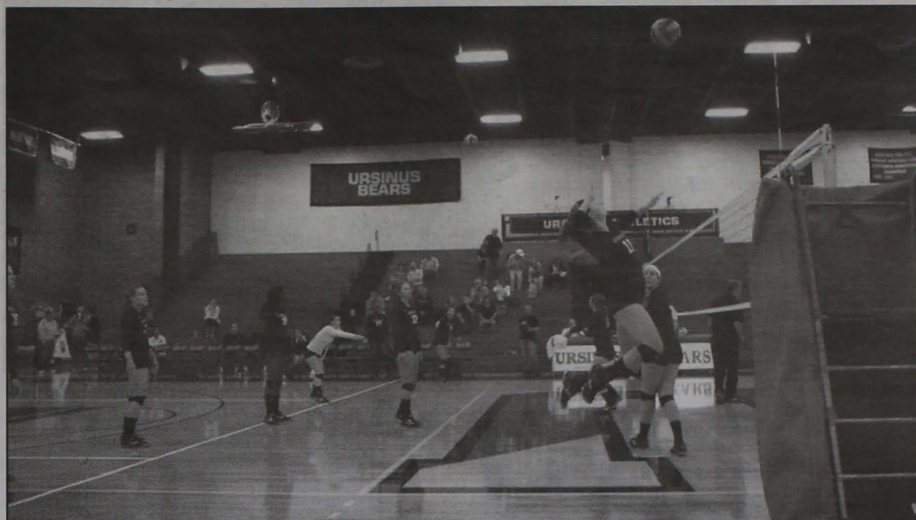


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Sophomore Danielle Kenny (front, right) is seen here among the rest of the team practicing prior to their Sept. 13 matchup against Albright. The Bears prevailed in three sets, sweeping the Lions 25-21, 25-10, and 25-16. Their next game is at McDaniel on Saturday, Oct. 4.

Digging in

Groff leads volleyball to hot start

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The difference between last year's volleyball team and this year's volleyball team is night and day. While they only won nine games last season, they have already surpassed that total halfway through this season. Yes, volleyball is a team sport, but like every other team in every other sport, a team needs a coach that can be the central leader to help guide them. Jeff Groff, graduate of Ursinus College in 1980, has helped this team resurge back into the playoff picture.

Groff first started playing volleyball during his freshman year at Ursinus in 1976 on a club team coached by Bill Sutherland. This

is somewhat unorthodox according to Groff because most players learn how to play from the fifth or sixth grade. During his senior year, he helped coach the volleyball team but wasn't given the title of assistant coach until two years later. He also coached at other places. "I actually coached fifth and sixth grade girls at my girl's grade school...and then I actually was a head coach here from '85-'89." Groff has been around this program for a while and it is evident that the assistant coaches and players appreciate him.

Leah Masiello, senior captain, describes Groff as a "great coach who is always looking for ways to help us improve our game." Gina Powers, also a senior cap-

tain, said, "I love him. He's great. He's very conscientious and I really appreciate having him as our coach. He's helped us advance as a team and always helps us keep our mental state up and in check." The team is rallying around Groff and their 10-5 record as of Sept. 29 has reflected that.

Josh Wonsidler, who graduated from Ursinus College in 2012, is an assistant coach to Groff. "Jeff is a great coach. He's technique driven, and has really turned this program around. What he's done has helped this program become a good one." The coaches certainly want this program to be a consistent force and want to always be

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Last Week's Scores as of Monday, Sept. 29:

M Soccer 3-5-1	W Soccer 3-4-1	Field Hockey 6-1	Volleyball 10-5	Football 4-0
Sept. 23 @ Albright: UC: 3, Albright: 0 Goals (UC): Aaron Nelson, Dean DerSimonian, Ryan Butler	Sept. 24 vs. Alvernia: UC: 1, Alvernia: 0 Goals (UC): Ama Achiaw	Sept. 23 @ Bryn Mawr: UC: 7, Bryn Mawr: 0 Goals (UC): Kelsey Reed (2), Devin Brakel, Danielle Stong, Brooke Overly (3)	Sept. 23 @ Immaculata: UC: 3, Immaculata: 2 (22-25, 58-20, 25-15, 20-15, 17-15)	Sept. 27 @ McDaniel: UC: 42, McDaniel: 13 Kevin Monahan: 11-22 passing, 151 yds, 3 TDs
Sept. 27 @ Dickinson: UC: 0, Dickinson: 5	Sept. 27 @ F&M: UC: 2, F&M: 1 Goals (UC): Alexis Haug, Katherine Bell	Sept. 27 @ F&M: UC: 5, F&M: 2 Goals (UC): Danielle Stong, Samantha Macchio (2), Megan Keenan, Devin Brakel	Sept. 24 at F&M Tri-Meet: UC: 1, F&M: 3 (25-23, 10-25, 19-25, 13-25) UC: 3, Muskingum (25-23, 17-25, 26-24, 25-16, 15-13)	Corey Kelly: 145 yds, 1 TD on 24 carries



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With one of the largest teams in Ursinus history, only a small part of the football team is seen practicing defensive and offensive drills. The Bears next game is at home against Moravian College on Oct. 4.

Fresh faces

Massive freshman class provides depth

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Forty-nine. This is the number of freshmen on the football team's roster this fall. This is a record-breaking class for the Bears in recent history.

A typical freshman class has around 35 players. This year, however, that number was a lot higher.

"I don't think it is any more difficult to manage more guys on the roster," said assistant coach Shane Eachus. "Between the talent and number we brought in this year we are able to field a better number of healthier players. It helps us field a fully functional practice."

"We now have more guys to run scout teams if needed, and a lot who have played so far this season and have done a great job," said senior captain and quarterback Kevin Monahan.

While there are quite a few freshmen to pick from there are many players who are standing out right away. James Hickey, a running back for the Bears, has

made an impeccable impact on the team this season.

"He came in, in August, in a position where we have a lot of depth on the team, but he really stood out during camp," said Eachus. "Hickey is a small quick kid, and has a chance to do special things as far as a player and student goes here at Ursinus."

"The quality of the kids and quality of the players is the biggest benefit to that class," said Eachus.

Another stand out player so far this season is corner back Jamie Casseus. The freshman out of Berlin, N. J., came from a very good high school program.

"Adjusting to both being a student and an athlete in college has been a difficult process, especially since I am also a biology major, however I couldn't ask to be in a better place than where I am right now," said Casseus. "Being a student-athlete on the football team is great, you get the support from the community on and off the field."

He is as dedicated in the

classroom as on the field, and his coaches give him the credit he deserves.

"School and athletics are very important to Jamie," said Eachus. "He is on the pre-medical track, creating a lot on his plate. He is a player who took an advance workload and is performing tremendously on the football field."

AJ Dalessandro is another freshman to look out for. He came in during pre season as a tackle, but due to injuries, he is now starting at right guard.

"AJ has done a great job blocking for me this season," said Monahan. "I have seen great improvements each week so far."

"Honestly, I'm having some of the greatest times of my life here at Ursinus and it's because of the people here," said Casseus. "Also, everyone should come support the Bears at the football games because we got something great going on this year for a fact and we want everyone to witness it."

The Bears return home October 4th, against Moravian.

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There are so many great alums on both sides."

In addition to providing a good show for spectators—Ursinus is constantly in the Centennial Conference championship fray and West Chester has a combined 51-12 record with a pair of DII national championships in the past three seasons—the event also provides a way for current players on each team to be able to interact with past members and participants in the rivalry.

"I think it's definitely a good thing for both programs to be in communication and build relationships with the alums," Benner said. "It's a great way to keep the program thriving."

"They love hearing about the history and where all these people came from," Cohen said. "It's fun to let the kids know who came be-

fore them, and where they come from. I think it's a great opportunity for the more recent alums to get out there and play."

"It's always fun to go out and watch your old teammates show their stuff," Cohen later said. "It's a good day for both of our [colleges] to mix our alums."

In all, the event seems to be well-enjoyed by all involved.

"From what I've heard, from both the current team and the alums, they find a lot of value in making a connection with their own program and the rivalry that we've had with West Chester," Benner said. "They're really excited about it and it's a really good thing."



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in the playoff hunt.

Groff attributes a part of the success to the five new freshmen they have this year. They are Allison Raff, Taylor McCartney, Morgan Dawson, and a pair of twins named Jasmine and Phrieda Bogere, who are from Panama City, Florida. "They have had a tremendous impact on the team, especially offensively. We always had the ball control, we could pass, but we didn't have a

lot of options as to anyone who could put the ball away. Now we have multiple players that can put the ball away." These girls are the centerpiece to what may be a rising program in the future.

Groff has been around the sport for a long time, both playing the game and coaching it. He's very enthusiastic about the sport, always strives for the best and pushes his players to become the best volleyball players they can be. Even though he's been coaching for a while, he says "the most memorable moments have yet to come."

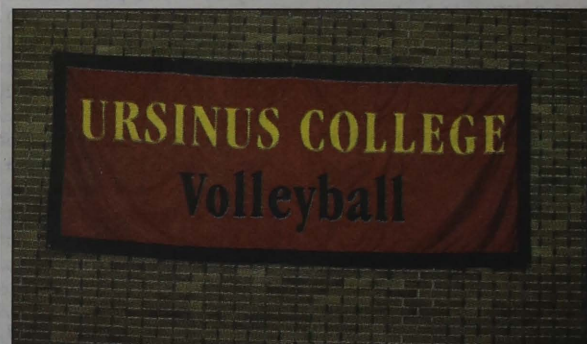


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Upcoming Games:

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
M Soccer @ Swarthmore, 7:00 p.m.	M/W XC @ Paul Short Invite at Lehigh, 10:00 a.m. Field Hockey vs. McDaniel, 12:00 p.m. Football vs. Moravian, 1:00 p.m. W Soccer @ McDaniel, 1:00 p.m. Volleyball @ McDaniel, 12:00 p.m., vs. PSU-Harrisburg @ McDaniel, 2:00 p.m.	Field Hockey: Snell Cup @ West Chester, 1:00 p.m.; Alumni Game, 2:30 p.m.; reception at Barnaby's in West Chester, 4:00-7:00 p.m.			

