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This photo, taken last fall, shows the UC Organic Farm at the end of an abundant summer season. Sydney Godbey '18 and Alana Lorraine '18 will be taking on the roles as co-directors of the farm and have many exciting plans in store for the new season.

Organic farm preps for spring season with purchase of new bee hives, crops

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Alana Lorraine and Sydney Godbey are two freshmen at Ursinus who co-direct the organic farm off of Ninth Ave. Both students are sustainability fellows and work 30-40 hours per week to maintain and develop the farm. Lorraine and Godbey's responsibilities include deciding what to plant at the farm and in the greenhouse, growing the plants, selling the products and regulating the

revenue, and caring for the bees and chickens on the farm. According to Lorraine, the only plants

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— Alana Lorraine
Co-director, UC Organic Farm

growing right now are tomatoes and peppers in the greenhouse

connected to Thomas. Within the next few weeks, as the weather conditions improve, Lorraine and Godbey will begin planting on the farm itself. "Our main goal this semester is to get the word out more about the farm since not many students are aware that it even exists," says Lorraine. The two, in deciding how to run the farm in the coming semesters, are looking at the growing records from the previous co-directors, Axel Gonzalez and Grace Barter. According to the UC Organic

Farm website, Gonzalez and Barter worked on removing the fruit trees that took up a great deal of space, allowing there to be more room for sellable products from the garden, and they also began selling more to Sodexo, so that what is grown on campus can be prepared and eaten by the staff and students of Ursinus. Lorraine and Godbey are maintaining the habits of Gonzalez and Barter and

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More efficient Wi-Fi coming soon

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Ursinus is undergoing changes to the wireless network in order to enhance students' experience with the internet.

Due to the number of wireless capable devices that are interfering with each other, the network has been struggling this year, said James Shuttlesworth, director of network systems and infrastructure. To fix that problem, more access points will be added throughout campus, as well as moving some of the currently existing access points.

The college will be working on adding and moving access points this summer. They will be hiring four students for the summer to help with the project. There will also be a few people from local cabling companies to help with wiring, along with engineers.

The main project for the summer is to move the wireless access points out of the hallways in dormitories, where they currently are, and into the rooms and common rooms. The Wi-Fi will then be able to communicate more effectively with the access points. Fewer devices will use each access point, allowing users to connect using a weaker radio signal. This means that students' internet connection will not interfere as

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Photo courtesy of Alexis Primavera

Starting on March 23, UC Green Reps. began to pile up dozens of trash bags behind the Love statue. The trash pile, called Mt. Trashmore, consists of all of the trash Ursinus produces over a weekend and is part of an annual effort to encourage the Ursinus campus to reduce, reuse, and recycle.

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much with their neighbors' internet connection.

Shuttlesworth and Gene Spencer, chief information officer, gave a presentation about the issues with the wireless network at a Dec. 4, 2014 student senate meeting. According to Abi Wood, social chair of the student government, Shuttlesworth said in his presentation that when the current wireless network system was put in, most students did not have multiple devices as they do now. With most students now having laptops, cellphones, tablets, gaming systems, and televisions, there is a lot of interference, making it difficult for all of them to connect and run efficiently. Turning off electronic devices will help the network run more smoothly.

A misconception that students have is that the problem is always Wi-Fi, which is not the case, according to Shuttlesworth. There are thousands of different components working together to make the network. If any one of those components is not working correctly, it can cause a problem. "Wi-Fi is not a thing," Shuttlesworth said. "It's a lot of things, and any one of them could be the problem." To improve the network, the college needs to look at the whole system and pick certain parts to upgrade.

This project will be a lot of work, according to Shuttlesworth. There will be hundreds of new wires going up all over the buildings, along with hanging up the access points.

The process is currently in the design phase. Over spring break, temporary access points were placed where the permanent ones will go in the summer. This gives the network systems staff an opportunity to test them and see how they work in those spots.

Two students win Watson Fellowship

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Last week, the Thomas J. Watson Foundation announced the winners of the 2015 Thomas J. Watson Fellowship. Of the approximately 140 applications the Watson Foundation received, 47 undergraduate students were selected; among them: Ursinus seniors Jamie Fasel and Rosie Davis-Aubrey.

The Thomas J. Watson Fellowship was founded with the purpose of encouraging college seniors to pursue meaningful, independent projects upon graduation. The fellowship grants winners a \$30,000 stipend to spend one year travelling, studying a

topic they propose. The Watson Year, according to the Foundation's website, is "a rare window of time after college and pre-career to engage your deepest interest on a world scale. Fellows conceive original projects, execute them outside of the United States for one year and embrace the ensuing journey. They decide where to go, who to meet and when to change course." They do not affiliate with academic institutions and may not hold formal employment.

Fellows are barred from reentering the United States during their Watson Year. Projects are not academically oriented; rather, the program "produces a year of personal insight, perspective and

confidence that shapes the arc of fellows' lives," according to the Foundation's website. The program currently reviews student applications from 40, liberal arts colleges and universities.

Jamie Fasel's project, "Nature as Necessity: Exploring Varying Conceptions of Nature around the World," is inspired by her lifelong passion for nature and conservation. "I have always spent much of my free time exploring the outdoors, and became deeply fascinated by nature and the environment from a young age," said Fasel. Her time at Ursinus taught her that, although she was always passionate about these subjects, she "experience[s] nature through leisure and recreation, rather than

out of necessity." As she explains, "much of the rest of the world experiences the natural world in very different ways; I want to experience and observe that to realize how they conceptualize and interact with nature/the natural world."

During her Watson Year, Fasel will travel to South Africa, India, Australia, Greenland, and Belize. "The biggest challenge I foresee is that people may just tell me what they expect I would want to hear as a Westerner," she noted. But as an integral part of the Watson experience, she is eager to take on this challenge.

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Myrin renovations aim to meet study needs

Library to expand collection of eBooks, extend exam week hours, and add Mac computers

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Myrin Library has been undergoing renovations and has added new additions such as eBooks within the past year. This is in order to make things more comfortable and accessible for the students.

Renovations in the library include things such as getting new furniture in the first floor lounge, adding more lounge chairs to the second floor, the blue chairs seen sporadically throughout Myrin as well having access to the library through the back door. The new furniture was added in order to "...add a variety where people can sit and study," said Diane Skorina, director of information literacy and instructional technol-

ogy.

Along with these additions, offices have been added to the third floor of the library, with the long term goal of the offices becoming study rooms in order to accommodate different types of places to study for students.

Another addition that will be coming to the library will be the addition of three Mac computers on the first floor. The library staff hopes that the addition of these three Mac computers will help students with things such as video editing because these will be the only three Macs that are openly available to all of the student body.

Not only has Myrin library added new furniture to the floors, they have also added around 130,000 eBooks online in the be-

ginning of the fall semester. The addition of these eBooks "make everything more accessible to students," said Skorina. Students always have their laptops, tablets or smartphones, which makes eBooks easier to access whenever the student needs to.

Looking into the future, Skorina wishes to "partner with faculty to help design assignments for students that will help navigate through the world of information." With the addition of these possible assignments coming to the classrooms, the hope is to help students be able to research effectively and sufficiently when needed.

During the week of finals, the library was opened for the very first time for 24/7. "This was a great addition for students be-

cause they no longer had to pick up their books and move to Olin Hall when the library closed, instead they were allowed to stay," said Samantha Salomon, a circulation desk employee. Working at the desk for the past three years, Salomon also noted that "...all changes have been for the better because they have helped the students." Although Salomon is graduating this year, she hopes to see sound proof student rooms in order to keep students coming to the library for group projects but also to not bother those around the study rooms.

Khalilah Baber, who mostly gets her work done in the library has noticed the changes in the library and enjoys the changes she sees on the first and second floor of Myrin. "I like the second floor

lounge because it's comfortable and gives students the option to be comfortable while doing homework without the distractions of the first floor." She said that she appreciates the diverse settings to study and is excited to see what other changes Myrin might add throughout the years.

Overall, the library staff wishes to make the library an environment that is more comfortable for the students. "Everything we do is for the students," said Diane Skorina.

Be on the lookout for the new Mac computers that will be coming to the first floor of the library, as well as Edible Books Festival this will be taking place on Thursday, April 2nd. For more information on it check out <http://libguides.ursinus.edu/ebf>.

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will continue selling to Sodexo. Additionally, they are introducing two new colonies of bees onto the farm in the coming months. According to Lorraine, the last two hives died, probably due to the cold winter climate. Since no one on the farm is professionally trained or very knowledgeable about how to keep bees, it is a difficult task to maintain them healthily, according to Lorraine. Other than the new bee colonies, Lorraine and Godbey will be reaching out to the Ursinus community more and they have pending plans to have a BBQ where students can come and learn about the garden.

The co-director position is paid and requires a great deal of commitment, only allotting the student to leave campus for 10 days while they are working, according to Lorraine. However, they also have a great deal of autonomy in what they get to plant on the farm and deciding where it goes. Lorraine explained that last year the broccoli didn't grow well, so they will focus on other plant species this year. As environmental studies majors, Lorraine and Godbey are able to put their interests into action in a way that positively affects the campus. If students wish to get involved in the farm, they can do so by contacting the Office of Sustainability.



Along with the variety of plants grown there, the UC Organic Farm is home to half a dozen chickens and two bee colonies.

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"The ones that are out there, as far as we know, are working pretty good," Shuttlesworth said.

Shuttlesworth emphasized in the meeting that students should contact the Tech Support Center if they are having issues. A lot of students complain on social media, but this will not help fix the problem, said Shuttlesworth.

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Rosie Davis-Aubrey was inspired by her background in dance, and mentor Reverend Charles Rice, to pursue the Watson. Her project is entitled "Seeking Refuge: The Role of Dance Programming in the Development of Young Children."

Rosie will travel to Ghana, Uganda, Brazil, and India, where she will explore "how to create a safe haven, a refuge for destitute youth," as she explained in her project proposal. She wishes to observe how members of the communities she visits use dance to develop individuality.

"The part about dancing that grabs my passion is the individualism," she explained. "It is a physical but also an emotional and spiritual art. For me, dancing isn't about being measured—it's about being an individual. It is about doing the best that you can do until you develop the skills to do a little more and then that is how you grow."

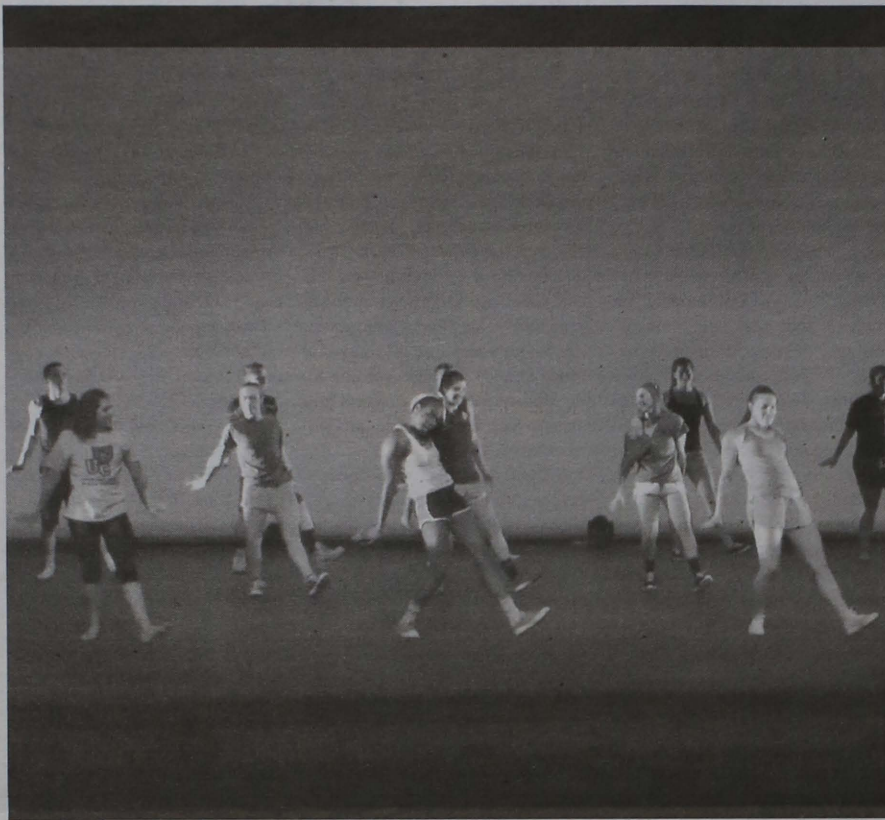


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The UC Swim team is seen performing their dance routine during last spring's Airband competition. This year's Airband will take place on March 28 and will feature nine acts, which will be performed by Greek life, sports teams, and school clubs.

Airband judging changes

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Saturday Mar. 28 marks the thirty-third year of Airband at Ursinus College. Airband is a friendly dance and lip-synch competition between various student groups on campus that raises money for a different charity every year.

Nine teams have entered including various greek organizations, sports teams, and clubs. Airband is sponsored by Residence Life, which is an element that can be traced back to the competition's roots. Since its introduction to Ursinus in 1982, there have been some major changes in the essence and message of Airband.

Carla Rinde, director of career and professional development, remembered as the "mother of Airband" started the competition as a fun activity for the RAs and students on campus. According to Rinde, the location of the event

has changed many times before reaching its current home in the Lenfest Theater. The competition featured a different type of approach to lip-synch and dance than it does now.

Rinde said, "Students would use props. For instance, an ironing board would be used as a

"It brings the entire campus together."

— Audrey Whitebloom
Airband committee member

keyboard or a curling iron as a microphone. Students would only choose one song. They were judged on their likeness and ability to mimic the artist(s) performance. Today I feel it is a lot more fun for the audience which is a good thing."

The competition now seems to have taken audience appeal into account for their performances.

Not only do students use multiple songs, they also do not attempt to mimic the artists in their performance. Instead, the teams can use their creativity and completely repurpose their music to fit the meaning or humor of their piece. The philanthropic aspect of Airband is another unexpected but great result.

Rinde commented, "Somewhere along the line with the initiative of the RAs turned it into a project for a good cause. When it started it had no connection to any charity or cause... it was just something you went to for a night. Now it has become something that you support."

Airband also makes an effort to contribute to a variety of causes instead of one. The charity that Airband has chosen to donate to this year is called The Attic. Audrey Whitebloom, a senior and

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Puttin' on the Ritz

Philadelphia's Ritz-Carlton will host annual UC formal, not the Bellevue

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On March 27, the semi-formal event formerly known as the Ball at the Bellevue will be in a new venue. On the same block, the Ritz-Carlton in Philadelphia will be the venue for this night filled with dancing.

"The Hyatt [Bellevue] was booked for the 27th (the event is always held on the last Friday of March - except when it conflicts with Good Friday). This is why there is a change in venue for this year's dance," Todd McKinney, the associate dean of student life and director of student activities said in an email.

This event is unique to Ursinus, letting students dance the night away at one of the nicest places in Philadelphia. Rockin' at the Ritz is "An open event for all students sponsored and supported by AFAC (Activity Fund Allocation Committee) It brings together all students under the Ursinus banner to celebrate being a UC student," McKinney said.

The formal spring dance started in 2005 by CAB after one of their previous events didn't get the amount of students to show up. "The CAB event wasn't get-

ting any folks going and we decided to come up with a formal event that celebrated all things Ursinus and wanted it to coincide with spring the and the start of warm weather - kind of like a renewal," McKinney said.

"Planning is done out of LD/SAO - we have worked with the Hyatt for so long that it takes very little in the way of planning. This year we just told the Ritz what we normally have it at the Hyatt and they said they would make it look nice," McKinney said.

Brittany George, a senior, has been attending the Ball at the Bellevue since her freshman year. "It's a great Ursinus tradition to go to the city and spend time with your friends," George said. "I've gone to this event with my friends since freshman year. It makes me sad knowing that this is my last one."

Given that this event is late in the semester it is a reminder of how close summer is. "The Ball at the Bellevue is a treat and reminder that we've made it so far into the semester," George said. "It's a great way to get dressed up and treat yourself."

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Word on the Street

If you could have any super power what would it be?

"I'd be the Avatar. Or I'd be able to speak every single language." -Rebecca Fong, 2015

"I want to control squirrels." - Andrew Tran, 2016

"To remove the pits from plums, peaches, and apricots using only my mind." -Blaise Laramee, 2016

"Ability to speak every language!...Wait, can immortality count?" - Kwynn Hogan, 2017

"Invisibility!" - Linden Hicks

"The power to control probability. 'Hmm what are the odds I find a million dollars. Let's say 100% today.'" - Kale Drost, 2015

Museum studies minor approved by council

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In Jan. 2015, the proposal for the addition of a museum studies minor was accepted. The Art and Art History department gave the proposal to the Academic Council.

Professor of art history Matt Shoaf spearheaded the creating of the minor. "This minor was the collaborative brainchild of Susan Shifrin, formerly of the Berman Museum, and faculty from the departments of Art and Art History, Chemistry, History, and Modern Languages, among others," Deborah Barkun, chair of the art and art history department, said.

This minor is inter-disciplinary and courses will be taught by a variety of faculty members from different departments. "The Museum Studies Coordinating Group will consist of a rotating group of faculty from across the college, including one from Art and Art History, one from History, and one from the sciences," Barkun said.

There will be some new courses introduced into the Ursinus curriculum for students to complete this minor. "The foundation of the minor will be Museum Studies-100 and Museum Studies-200, which integrate theory and practice," Barkun said. Since this minor is interdisciplinary, students will be able to take electives from many different departments.

"Additionally, students will take approved electives from departments across campus, includ-

ing Anthropology and Sociology, Education, Business, Media and Communications, History, Environmental Studies, and Art and Art History, as well as complete a museum internship," Barkun said.

The announcement of this new minor is well timed with the exhibition "Museum Studies" which is at the Berman Museum of Art on campus until April 3. The idea for the exhibition came to Director of the Berman, Charlie Stainback during his interview for the position with Shoaf.

There are plans to connect the minor to work directly with the Berman. "The Berman Museum is such an asset to the cultural and educational life of the College," Barkun said. "With the recent additions of Charlie Stainback and Ginny Kollak, the Berman is gaining even wider attention regionally and nationally."

"It is fair to say that the presence of the Berman on campus, as a generous resource and laboratory, makes the Museum Studies minor possible. The Museum Studies-200 course is designed to culminate in a collaboratively produced exhibition at the Berman Museum, and this is possible because of ongoing collaborations between the Museum and faculty and students," Barkun said.

Another reason that the minor was added was due to alumni working in the museum field. "The minor was conceived, in part, in answer to student interest in museum careers and graduate work in the field. We have numer-

ous alumni who work in museum professions or who are enrolled in Museum Studies masters programs. This minor formalizes work that has been going on within academic departments and the Berman Museum for some time," Barkun said.

This minor is unique to Ursinus because completion of an internship is required to minor in museum studies. "Ursinus is located in a museum-rich location. Many people make connections between museums and works of art, and may be familiar with the Institute of Contemporary Art or the Philadelphia Museum of Art. However, our region is home to significant history museums like Pennsbury Manor, the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center, and the Pennsylvania Historical Society and Museum," Barkun said.

"The Chemical Heritage Society, the Winterthur Conservation Laboratory, and the John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge, and museums devoted to literature and manuscripts, like the Rosenbach Museum. Philadelphia is also home to the African-American Museum, the National Museum of American Jewish History, the Fabric Workshop and Museum, and the Eastern State Penitentiary Historic Site, to name only a few. Institutions, such as these, will serve as potential laboratories for Museum Studies minors," Barkun said.

"We plan to begin offering the curriculum during the 2015-16 academic year," Barkun said.

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Airband committee member, discussed what the organization is all about. The Attic is an organization in Philadelphia that serves as the only youth center for LGBTQ youth population in the area.

"Whether youth are seeking a caring adult to talk to, a safe space to express their identity, activities to participate in after school, or assistance with finding housing or a job, The Attic strives to have a positive impact on many aspects of their lives," said Whitebloom.

In addition to raising money for a cause, they invite a representative from the organization to the competition. Airband presents a check to the organization or cause during the competition which really adds to the positive and upbeat feeling of the event.

Rinde said, "It is pretty moving to see the students be able to physically give the money to someone for the charity. It is definitely such a great moment and has become a wonderful part of

Airband history."

The judging of the event is another part of Airband that will see a change this year. The judging for the event consists of faculty and people that the student body would have an interest in seeing. In past years the judges decided the winner based on the performances. According to Whitebloom, this year the judges will narrow the winners down to the top two teams. The audience will then determine who the winner of the entire competition will be. With the new judging system in place, many students await to see if Phi Kappa Sigma can keep up their winning streak.

Both Whitebloom and Rinde agree that the community aspect of Airband makes it unique compared to the many other charity events sponsored by a single group.

Whitebloom said, "It brings the entire campus together. It allows people of different groups on campus to work together to raise money for one cause."

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McKinney thinks that a formal event is different for Ursinus and its community. "[This is] not the typical Ursinus social event, which makes it a different occasion all together. A great opportunity to experience Philadelphia at its finest for an evening of elegance and glamor at a world-class, five-star hotel. Get dressed up - have some great eats - dance the night away. And take lots of pictures for Facebook," McKinney said.

"The venues that host the event are special and something that you can only go to for weddings and other formal events," George said. The Philadelphia location is also a plus for George. "It is so nice to get into the city

and to see such a beautiful part of Philadelphia."

The buses will depart from the Corson lot at 7 p.m. The bus will arrive at the Ritz by 8 p.m. Students should bring their tickets and ID's if they are 21 or over since students can pay for drinks at the event. There will be light finger foods and soda for no charge at the event. The buses will depart from the Ritz in Philadelphia at midnight to head back to campus.

"People going to the Ball know what the expectations are and they meet the semi-formal theme," George said. "It's different than going to an on campus party because people know that they have to stick to the theme."

Tickets are available in the SAO for five dollars.

Happening on Campus

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Class of 2016 housing lottery, Olin Auditorium, 4:30 p.m.	Pause for Paws, Olin Plaza, 12:00 p.m.	"Lend Me a Tenor," Black Box Theater in Kaleidoscope, 7:30 p.m.	Meistersingers Concert, Bomberger Auditorium, 4:00 p.m.	Fall 2015 Registration begins	Child life toy drive, Wsimer Center, 12:00 a.m.	City Year Philadelphia info session, Bears Den, 12:00 p.m.
Androgyny and Rabbis, Olin 104, 4:30 p.m.	Rockin' at the Ritz, The Ritz-Carlton in Philadelphia, 7:00 p.m.	Airband, Kaleidoscope Lenfest Theater, 8:30 p.m.			New U Zumba Class, Olin Auditorium, 4:45 p.m.	Etiquette Class, Faculty and staff dining room, 5:30 p.m.

The sexist nature of March Madness

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"Did you fill out a bracket?" "Who do you have winning the whole thing?" "Ahh, I have one more hour to make changes to my bracket. Should I switch my picks?" These phrases and more have been commonly heard throughout the hallways the past several weeks. Understandably everyone is getting ready for the most high stress event during the college basketball season, March Madness.

For those of you who do not know March Madness is the term given to the Men's and Women's Division I Basketball Championship. There are a total of 128 games divided between the men and the women teams over the course of just a few weeks. If that isn't madness enough, there is a bracket challenge for all the spectators to get involved in. Now

who doesn't like a little challenge?

Both the Men's and the Women's Tournament Challenge are starting off their 18th season in March 2015. The challenge is to create the perfect bracket. You pick which teams you think will win and advance to the championship game. The goal is to pick every game correctly. That is what everyone is talking about when they say "did you fill out a bracket?"

However, not once does anyone say "did you fill out the brackets?" The actual tournament challenge for the women's bracket is highly unrecognized. Whenever March Madness is talked about it is always assumed that there is only a men's tournament happening. A recent article in USA Today sums up the situation pretty nicely by saying "it's that time of year again, time for every American to focus on the basket-

ball games being played by men and all but ignore the basketball games being played by women."

The lack of games being watched on the women's side isn't the only problem. There are prizes awarded to the person who is able to produce the best bracket on both the men's and women's sides, however the prizes are significantly different in size. The rules on ESPN state that "all Men's Tournament Challenge entries that finish in the top 1% are entered in a random drawing to win a trip for two to the 2015 Maui Invitational and a \$20,000 Best Buy Gift Card prize." While for the Women's Bracket "entries that finish in the top 1% are entered in a random drawing for a \$5,000 Best Buy Gift Card." No trip to the invitational and a \$15,000 lower Best Buy Gift Card, definitely not an equal distribution of prizes even though it

is the same challenge.

There are also a lot of simple changes that could be made in order to correct the inconsistencies seen today between the two tournaments, yet nothing is being done. One idea suggested in the USA Today article is to move

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the women's tournament; "move it so it starts and ends before the men's tournament begins. Move it so that it can have a chance to escape the enormous shadow cast by the men's tournament." This idea is already seen today in professional basketball. The NBA regular season is from October to

April, while the WNBA regular season is from June to September. Since these two seasons are during completely different months the competition for viewership is decreased. There is no reason to believe that this same type of deal wouldn't be able to work on the college basketball level. What is there to lose?

Overall, ever since Title IX, which prohibits discrimination in collegiate athletics based on gender, there is no reason that the women's basketball championship should get any less attention than the men's basketball championship. The rules of the game do not change just because the gender of the players is different. All the thrills associated with March Madness exists for both the men and women's game; there are teams with undefeated seasons on the line, underdog teams to root for, reputations to be upheld, and brackets to be made.

Wellness Center waits are too long

Given busy, pressing schedules, students should be aware of Wellness waits

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This past flu season it seemed like every single person on campus was sick at some point. It was dreadful, walking across campus and hearing all of those sneezes and coughs. People were piling into Wellness looking for remedies to make them feel even a little bit better, but they only got that after a 30-45 minute wait. There are many complaints that students direct toward wellness on a daily basis, including the limited hours of operation, the long waits, as well as the insufficient services for the needs of college students.

It seems like every time I go to Wellness, even for something small, I'm sitting in the waiting room for an eternity. Then, when I actually go into the room, I'm in there for five minutes and that's it. So, I waited over half an hour for

five minutes? This is the last thing I, or anybody, wants to do when they're sick. It takes out a big chunk of my day, where I could be actually resting (since that's usually one of the things they prescribe) or doing something else more useful. I'm a college student, I don't have that kind of time to waste just sitting around in a waiting room listening to all of the other waiters complain about how sick they are.

I understand that the employees at Wellness are doing their best, and I am thankful that they're putting their time in trying to make us students better. I just don't understand how if I have an appointment at 2:30 and I walk into the waiting room, there's still somebody in there who had an appointment at 1:45. Among the six workers at Wellness currently, there is one nurse practitioner, one doctor of Psychology, another psychologist, a therapist,

and an office director.

Also on the Wellness Website, they say they typically can schedule a medical appointment the same or next day, which is true. But, they don't account for or warn students about how long they will be in there. I think doing so would be helpful, because I can personally recall times when I went into Wellness before class thinking I had enough time, and ended up waiting just about until it was time for my class.

Knowing this would be beneficial for students and the staff, because then students wouldn't choose times that they were rushed, and it could possibly help the staff but showing when the most frequent times for appointments are. Additionally, the hours that Wellness is open, according to the Ursinus website, is 9am to 5pm Monday through Fridays. Is it reasonable to limit the operating hours in this way? Ideally not,

especially since students are just as likely (if not more) to get injured during the weekends or at night.

For students who need care on the weekends, Wellness isn't an option for them. It doesn't make sense to close Wellness on weekends, especially because there are definitely instances of sickness or injury during those times.

On the Wellness website, they list a number of services they can provide, including testing for sexually transmitted diseases. However, according to Sophie Snapp, a sophomore at Ursinus, this service was denied to her because of previous complaints about the billing for the service. If Wellness only allows certain students to receive their services, then they should be explicit about it on their website. Students continually rely on Wellness to treat or diagnose their illnesses, but they seldom are able to do so.

The Wellness staff is very much appreciated here on campus, and they probably aren't thanked enough for all of their hard work. It's worth noting that they are available on call 24/7, and that Dr. Paul Doghramji is available both by call and text and does work during off-hours and weekends handling specific, pressing needs from students. It's also important to note that they, too, are busy people, especially during flu season. But, students should be aware of the long wait they may be facing when they go to Wellness, and plan their trips accordingly. More so, students should know the limitations of the Wellness center so that they know what they should and shouldn't go there for.

Should students like to voice their opinions about the Wellness Center or express their concern can do so via their end-of-the-semester survey they release.

Softball squad starts steady

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Although Ursinus' softball team finished dead-last in the Centennial Conference for 2014 season, the current season is looking more hopeful. The players began their season over spring break, playing eleven games in South Carolina and Maryland. Of these games, the team won six, which puts them in a better position than they were in this time last year, at which point they had lost six games out of ten with an additional four games postponed.

"It was nice to have almost a dozen games before our first conference competition," head coach Samantha Campo said. "We played against Saulsberry twice in a double header and they're the number two team in the country, so being able to see competition like that I think is going to help us move forward."

Even with these improvements, the team is projected to rank seventh out of nine in the conference the year, according to the coaches' poll.

During the break, many play-

ers came down with a 24-hour flu and were unable to play. It is hard to determine if this affected the results of the games, but it certainly gave some players more playing time than what is typical. Setbacks like illness and injury will affect their small team more than it would the football team, for example, since there are not as many players to compensate.

However, Campo believes that "there are three main things that we need to be successful and it will take all those things based on our personnel to compete, and they are a solid defense, good pitching, and timely hitting. Even if you get two of those things, it's really important to get all three."

The priorities of the team seldom change season-to-season, since they are so all-encompassing, and according to Campo, with the team focusing on these aspects of play, the overall performance of the team will go up even with setbacks like illness and injury.

While these things may affect

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Photo courtesy of Jon Vander Lugt

Amy Kouhout is seen above working her way past a Widener defender. The Bears won their March 18 matchup against the Pride 9-6 for their first win of the year. Kouhout netted a hat trick, scoring three of the Bears' goals.

Re-lax, don't sweat it

Women's lacrosse isn't worried about rough out-of-conference start and will head into their Centennial slate confident

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conference games hold more weight than non-conference.

Coming into this season, the Bears are very underclassman-oriented. Many freshman and sophomores are seeing significant time. Sophomores Amy Kouhout and Emma Ebert are some rising stars of the Bears. Ebert, an attacker, has scored 18 points in seven games. Kouhout, a midfielder, has 12 goals to her name thus far.

With the season in full swing, the Bears' lacrosse team is looking to take the field by storm. The Bears have had a rocky start to the season, but the team shows great promise for the upcoming games. Don't let the record fool you, the Bears have great talent and are eager to show it.

Coach Katie Hagan notes that the team works very hard and they were competitive in all games so far. The team has made strides throughout the young season and is working their way to wins in conference play. All the games to this point have been out-of-conference. For post season play,

Two year captain Kitty Dawson took the beginning part of the season (a 1-5 nonconference stretch to start the season) as a learning curve. The team has dropped a lot of games toward the start of the slate, but none were by more than three goals. "We learned from them, and we have been taking a lot more from them than if we had won all of them," Dawson said. "It's tough to swallow, but we learned from it."

Both Hagan and Dawson are in consensus moving forward in thinking that the team needs to focus on the details and little things. By doing this, they should be able to win the big games.

The Bears also look for veteran leadership in sophomore Lisa Grous, juniors Mary Delberti and Brynn Dietzel and senior Dawson.

Hagan and Dawson are also in agreement that junior goalkeeper

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The softball team is seen above prior to their doubleheader against Dickinson on March 22. The Bears wound up dropping both, 7-3 and 8-4.

Last Week's Results as of Monday, March 23:

W Lax (1-6)	M Lax (5-1)	Baseball (9-2)	Softball (6-7)	M(7-4)&W(8-1) Tennis	M&W Golf
March 18 vs. Widener UC: 9, Widener: 6 Amy Kouhout netted three goals for the Bears. Kitty Dawson came away with a pair of goals and an assist.	March 15 vs. Swarthmore: UC: 13, Swarthmore: 5 Goals (UC): Mark Stratton (3), Gerard Brown, Logan Panacione (2), Jake Weber (2), Matthew Cioeta, Ian Desenberg, Ian Moore (3). Brian Neff saved seven shots.	March 18 @ Penn St.-Abington UC: 8, PSU-A: 1 Chris Jablonski: 1-for-5, 1HR, 2RBI Timo Muro: 3-for-5, 2R Jay Farrell: 3-for-5, 2R Vince Piccioni (W2-1): 8.0IP, 1ER, 6H, 1K	March 22 @ Dickinson Doubleheader Game 1: UC: 3, Dickinson: 7 Delia Mercurio: 1-for-3, 2RBI double Game 2: UC: 4, Dickinson: 8 Casey Derella: 2-for-4, 1HR	M: March 21 vs. Penn St. Berks UC: 9, PSU-B: 0 March 21 vs. Alvernia UC: 9, Alvernia: 0 W: March 21 @ Lebanon Valley UC: 7, Lebanon Valley: 2	Revolutionary Collegiate Classic: March 22, Elkton, Md. Women: 4th place out of 5 Team Score: +197 over par Becky Honor: 14th place, +29 Men: 10th place out of 11 Team Score: +84 over par Russell Hill: t21st place, +13

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who gets playing time from game to game, there is definitely an overall tendency for the freshmen on the softball team to be getting a lot of playing time. This is partially due to the fact that the team continues to be freshmen-heavy, with a decent amount of the team (40 percent) being in their first year of college ball.

Freshmen receiving so much playing time, according to Campo, is not unusual.

"I really believe that if you walk in and you earn the job then that job is yours," Campo said. "It doesn't really matter if you are a senior or a freshman."

Shelby Edelson, a junior player on the team, agrees that everyone must "earn their spot. If you don't perform, you don't go on the field."

Even though many freshmen are receiving playing time, a recent tendency with UC's softball team is that the team's retention rate has been low, meaning and

many freshmen end up quitting after their first year.

Campo believes that many of the freshmen who didn't end up coming back just "had different priorities. Some didn't come back for reasons outside of softball."

"The turnover rate is most likely what is happening across all sports, it's nothing really unusual," Campo said. "A new class comes in every year and I think to maintain four years on an intercollegiate athletic sport and being a part of that for four years, that's hard."

She went on, "and those who end up making it all four years have achieved a great feat."

Overall, Campo is optimistic about the upcoming season. She believes that the team can improve a lot and surpass its projected ranking if they focus on the right things. Senior Ellen Goldstein on the team believes that they should focus on communicating during the game, and if the teammates can talk to one another on the field then they will improve.



Photo courtesy of Jon Vander Lugt
Amy Kouhout is seen above working her way around the net against Widener. As of this writing, the sophomore leads the team with 12 goals. Fellow sophomore Emma Ebert and senior Kitty Dawson are close behind with 11 apiece.



Photo courtesy of Christian Payne

Junior Zoe Heinke is seen above pitching against Dickinson on March 22. Heinke (3-3) took the loss after giving up 5 runs in two and two thirds innings in the Bears' 7-3 loss. Heinke is one of the leaders with the bat for the Bears, and is currently batting .349 and leads the team with 17 runs batted in.

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Mary Philbin has been a huge player this season. So far she has 72 saves, which is more than half of the shots on goal against her. She's been a large part of keeping the Bears in their games so far this year.

The loss of the class of 2014 was a big factor this season. "If you graduate a four-year starter, or a role player or someone who never stepped on the field, you change the team dynamic," said Hagan.

Dawson said they had lost three main players to graduation, and there is a learning curve. She also noted this season was different without these players. This thrust younger players into leadership roles, and the Bears will look to the junior class to fill them. She

also notes that sophomores and freshmen are more than welcome to come out of their comfort zone to take roles as leaders.


With the underclassmen's work ethic and passion, Dawson is confident that as the years go on they will be more prepared than any other team in the conference with the skill and knowledge of the game they are learning.

The Bears are looking to ride the wave of their first win and continue the momentum into conference play. The Bears showed great resilience taking a 9-6 victory over Widener this past week, but dropped their conference opener to Swarthmore on Saturday March 21, 11-8. The Bears will finish the week by dueling with another conference foe in Dickinson College on Saturday, March 28.



Photo courtesy of Jon Vander Lugt
Sophomore Lisa Grous (22) is seen above trying to bat the ball away from Widener's Brooke Clasing. Grous, a defender, has 17 ground balls and 19 draw controls thus far.

Upcoming Schedule:

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
M&W Track: Dan Curran Invite @ Widener Gymnastics: NCGA Championships @ UW-La Crosse	Baseball: @ Gettysburg 12:30 p.m. M&W Tennis: @ Dickinson, 1:00 p.m. M&W Golf: @ McDaniel Spring Invite (Abbotstown, Pa.) W Lax: vs. Dickinson, 1:00 p.m. M Lax: @ Dickinson, 1:00 p.m. Gymnastics: NCGA Championships @ UW-La Crosse		Baseball: vs. Arcadia, 3:30 p.m. W Golf: Muhlenberg Invite (Allentown, Pa.)	Baseball: @ Muhlenberg, 3:30 p.m. Softball: Washington College, 3:00 p.m. M Tennis: Franklin & Marshall, 3:30 p.m.	W Lax: Washington College, 7:00 p.m. W Tennis: @ Haverford, 4:00 p.m.