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**One Last Issue:** 

A Feature on Our E-I-C

Farewell to *The Grizzly* 

Student Athletes: To Bet or

**One Final Update** 

of the Semester:

At The Grizzly, we believe there is always something to

look forward to!

As we arrive at our final issue of the semester, we want to express our gratitude to all of the dedicated readers who provide us our purpose here at *The Grizzly!* 

As for me, your News Editor,

Chase Portaro '24, I will be

signing off (temporarily). Once I return from my study abroad semester in London, England, I will resume my editor position in the spring, but until then, Eric Corcoran '23 will take the reins of the News Section.

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## **Images of Spring Fever**



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This is the final installment of a two-part photo essay titled, "Spring has Sprung in Collegeville," from The Grizzly's new 2023-2024 Photo Editor, Georgia Gardner '25.



The Berman Museum of Art, situated in the heart of campus, sits behind a bed of purple and green bushes.



The dazzling yellow petals surrounding a flower's orange center pop against the dark green stems.

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A single light post sits between two light wooden benches as an array of different colors surrounds both.





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With a gentle mix of yellow, orange, white, and purple petals, spring time at Ursinus is one of a kind.

## New Photo Editor for Next Year!

Georgia Gardner '25 will be taking over for Julia Paiano '23 as *The Grizzly's* Photo Editor for the '23-'24 schoolyear. We wish Julia the best of luck as she enters Villanova University's Graduate Program of Communications on a full scholarship! Julia's photography talents and social media sensibility have been indispensable to the newsroom staff, and we will miss her dearly as she embarks on her next journey!

The Photo Editor position will be left in capabable hands as Georgia begins to make her mark on *The Grizzly* in her inaugural year as an editor!

## Bears Helping Bears: UCREW's 'No-Shame Pledge'

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UCrew is an organization at Ursinus College that works to promote health and wellness while educating about harm reduction and helping students to avoid problems related to alcohol or drug use. UCrew is currently promoting the No-Shame Pledge, which was originally created by SAFE (Stopping the Addiction Fatality Epidemic) Project Non-Profit to combat the stigma associated with getting help for mental health and substance-use disorder. There is an abundance of stigma surrounding reaching out for help and aid when dealing with mental health and substance-use disorder. While this social stigma exists at all levels and throughout all age groups, it is especially prevalent on college campuses. According to Sophie Louis '24, "in regard to substance-use disorder there is a misconception that college-aged individuals are 'too young' to have a substance-use disorder, which invalidates the experience of many while also increasing the stigma associated with reaching out for help."

With social stigmas, there is a lack of support for college-aged students who have a substance-use disorder or struggle with mental health. Louis states, "The stigma associated with reaching out for help serves as an additional challenge for those already struggling with mental health/substance-use disorder, underlying the importance of fighting it."



"We hope this pledge helps to create a space for students in recovery while also creating awareness of the prevalent stigma that prevents many from seeking help," explains Louis. UCrew is promoting the No-Shame Pledge on Ursinus's campus with the goal of creating a culture change on campus, working to reduce the stigma around reaching out for help as well as fostering a supportive and inclusive community.

Participating in this movement started by SAFE is very important to members of UCrew. It not only allows them to help those who are struggling, but it also allows them to spread awareness. According to Avery Tomeo '23, "Being part of this big movement to me means that I have the opportunity to spread this knowledge and get others to become part of this movement."

Like most other movements, spreading

#### awareness is one of the most important parts. Izzy Deal '23 states, "I think it's special to be a part of this movement because it combines two organizations, UCrew and SAFE Project Non-Profit, in spreading an important message. I also like that the pledge frames this message in a capacity that speaks to a lot of people and reaches a wider audience on campus. It has a special place in my heart."

UCREW members believe this pledge is extremely important to the entire campus, both to those it can help and to those it can teach. It helps to combat the stigma for those struggling to seek help with substance-use disorders and mental health issues, making for a stronger, healthier, and better Bear community. If you have any questions on how to get involved in UCREW's No-Shame Pledge, contact ucrew@ ursinus.edu or follow them on Instagram @Ursinus\_UCREW !

### Honor Your Experience

As the Class of 2023's Ursinus Story comes to a close, they begin to reflect on their past four years. Ursinus seniors have been encouraged to give back to their beloved institution. It is suggested that students make a donation corresponding to their class year, example: \$20.23. Seniors will make the donation in honor of someone who has made an impact on them at some point during their Ursinus career.

> Alpha Pelta Phi Society Nick Balliro and Family Julie Cherneskie Will Cook Samuel Mamber

## One Last Letter From Our Editor

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Dear Ursinus Family,

When dipping my toes into the waters of journalism, I could have never predicted that it would change the trajectory of my life. When I was first introduced to the entire Grizzly team, I can assure you I was not looking for a new and demanding role.

After, I guess, months of proving myself, Doron and the graduating Editor-in-Chief at the time, Simra Mariam '21, took a leap of faith and promoted me from writer to head Editor.

I was a budding writer. What did I know about running a full-fledged newspaper? But I agreed to take the position anyway even though I didn't know much about what I was getting myself into. All I knew was that I was offered a seat on a rocket ship and that I'd figure out how to fly it later.

It turned out to be the best adventure I've ever taken. And ever since then, I felt called to turn this paper into a publication that the Bear community could rely on in times of both good and bad.

Like any leadership position, it was no small feat. The late nights, the layout meetings when InDesign would not cooperate, the countless emails that flooded my inbox daily, and the stress of continuous weekly deadlines while keeping up with the demands of my regular course load.

But the satisfaction overtook much of the

stress. I am so tremendously proud of all we've achieved, the stories we've delivered - even the difficult ones, the close-knit culture we've fostered, and the connections and trust we've acquired from the campus community and beyond. But I'm especially proud that we were able to use the discipline of journalism in a thoughtful and compelling manner to reach a lot of people, inspiring others to be bold and unafraid – to speak their minds even if that means standing alone.

Now, it is time for me to write the next chapter of my life. I am not entirely sure what the future will bring and have discovered that no one truly is. I do know that it will include taking advantage of much-needed downtime – at least until the fall. I'm learning to find comfort in the unknown, to be okay with not having life all figured out.

Over the next couple of days, there will be a transition. I know for a fact I've left you in competent hands as Marie Sykes '24 will put their hat into the ring.

Thank you to my team – both writers and editors - for inspiring me every day with their commitment to our mission of telling the truth and amplifying voices. There is certainly no "I" in Team, so I seriously could not have done any of this without their unfailing support, devotion, and hard work. It truly takes a village to accomplish great things, and they have proved that to be true through and through. Working alongside Doron Taussig, a veteran journalist and professor, has been the honor and privilege of a lifetime. He is a true visionary and kind-hearted leader that not everyone is lucky enough to work with over the course of their careers, but I sure have been. Thank you, Doron, for taking a chance and giving me the space to use my voice in a meaningful, impactful way. To have you recognize my passion and ambition for storytelling means the most.

And to the reader, thank you for storing your confidence and trust in my team and I to deliver quality content. We appreciate you taking the time out of your crowded schedules to engage with the paper.

Most importantly, congratulations to the Class of 2023. Our stories have just begun, and I can't wait to see just how you make a difference in this world, a world that so desperately needs you.

A wise man by the name of Tom Stoppard once said: I still believe that if your aim is to change the world, journalism is a more immediate, short-term weapon. Although we may not have changed the world, we certainly played a hand in changing our little world of Ursinus, and I like to believe it was for the better.

Signing off one last time as Editor-in-Chief, Layla

# FEATURES

## Meet Layla M. Halterman, EIC

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Layla M. Halterman has served as The Grizzly's Editor-in-Chief for the past two years and was a staff writer for a year before that. She is a Media and Communications major and part of the class of 2023. Outside of her role on The Grizzly, Layla also worked as a copy editor and reader for The Lantern, an academic coach, a member for Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow, and served on the Senior Class Gift Committee. Meet the 2021-2023 EIC before she graduates this May.

Halterman became involved with The Grizzly as a sophomore. She first began her studies with the intention of pursuing medical school, but her chemistry professor "suggested that [she] do a little 'soul searching." Following that, she "[threw herself] into a couple of media classes [and] thrived in journalism." A self-described "word nerd," she became the editor-in-chief in spring 2021 after discovering that she was a "natural journalist." She says the job has kept her on her toes, but that she wouldn't have it any other way.

Halterman's goals as editor-in-chief were to "create a bolder, braver newspaper." She wanted students to have "a safe space to talk about who they are and what they stand for." She also thought the paper needed a "facelift," and so she set out to do that. The Grizzly now looks quite different than it did in prior years.

In her editorial role, Halterman says, she learned three main things. "First, no one can do anything remotely great alone," she says. "Always be grateful, especially for your staff's hard work and dedication, and make your appreciation known." Her second point was that when something goes wrong, it's best not to take it personally. Third, she says, it's crucial to own up to mistakes.

Asked what student journalism means to her, Halterman replies: "to me, student journalism means telling the truth, amplifying the voices of the campus community, and highlighting others' good qualities and accomplishments, especially those who do not always receive the opportunity to be heard."

After graduation, Halterman says she'll "definitely miss working on the paper" as well as the Ursinus campus. She enjoyed "interacting [and] building a strong rapport with the student body and extended Ursinus community." She highlights how grateful she is to her support system and mentors, including Dr. Sheryl Goodman, Dr. Doron Taussig, Dr. Lynne Edwards. Amy Brink, and former Ursinus President Jill Marsteller '78. She says, "they embraced me like one of their own and were in my corner from the very beginning. They tell me what I need to hear, not just what I want to hear ... Their investment in my well-being ultimately has been my driving force to succeed."

Post-Ursinus, Halterman plans to enter law enforcement. She is passionate about community policing, she says, and about strengthening the relationship between law enforcement and their communities. She also would like to write a book one day. But she does not have any plans set in stone. "I am learning to be content with uncertain-



ty," she observes.

"Who knows where life may lead me?" she asks. "I will likely look back on this article and laugh, thinking nothing went as planned. I've had to rely heavily on my faith for the majority of my young adulthood to carry me through some really painful whys, so I believe that God puts us in places we are meant to be. I live with great certainty that He will continue to bless me with opportunities, granting me the strength and confidence to seize them whether that be law enforcement or something else."

Best of luck to our 2021-2023 Editor-in-Chief Layla M. Halterman as she pursues her future. We cannot wait to see what is in store for you, and hope that what you have learned here will take you far.

## Farewell for the Summer

Twenty issues later and yet another academic year has passed. I would like to thank everyone from the writers to editors to those interviewed for helping to make this paper happen. I've loved being the Feature Editor and helping to highlight student organizations and events across campus.

To my successor, I would like to wish Kate Horan '25 good luck in taking over my role as the Features Editor. I hope you love the role as much as I have for these past two years.

Your 2023-2024 Editor-in-Chief, Marie Sykes '24



## Good Luck to Our Graduating Senior Editors

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At *The Grizzly*, we are so grateful for the time, energy, and dedication each member of the team brings. The end of the semester means saying goodbye to four senior editors of the paper: Ashley Webster, Ava Compagnoni, Jenna Smith, and Julia Paiano.

Ashley Webster, a Media and Communications major, served as the copy editor for this year. This is her second year on The Grizzly staff, as last year she acted as the Opinions Editor. Her favorite Ursinus memory was the opportunity to study abroad in Dublin, Ireland during a semester of her senior year. She's planning to travel around Europe for a month after graduation, and then hopes to pursue a career as an editor.

Jenna Smith, an English and Political Science double major, acted as the Online Editor this year. She has been writing for The Grizzly since her sophomore year in March 2021. She wants to thank her supportive professors, specifically Dr. Annie Karreth, Dr. Kara McShane, and Dr. Rebecca Evans, who "have truly changed my life and have been so inspirational and supportive during my time here." Outside of The Grizzly, Jenna serves as an RA, a UCREW peer educator, Sigma Tau Delta member, and the VP of UC Democrats. After graduation, she hopes to work at an editing company, publishing company, or in a communications department.

Ava Compagnoni, an English and Media & Communications double major, served as the Sports Editor during the 2022-2023 school year. She started writing for The Grizzly the second semester of her freshman year and worked as the News Editor during her junior year. Ava recalls her first article as an article on men's basketball and says ending her Grizzly career in the same place it started was "fun and rewarding." In addition to her double major, Ava double minors in Management Studies and Creative Writing. The week after graduation, Ava is traveling across Europe for two months, writing as she goes and building a writing portfolio.

Julia Paiano, Media & Communications major and Studio Arts minor, served as a Photo Editor for the past two years. She started her Grizzly career as a sophomore staff writer. Julia will also miss the faculty members, including Dr. Lynne Edwards, Angela Upright, and Dr. Doron Taussig, as she is, "so thankful for the



things each of them have taught me. I have grown in so many unexpected ways because of the faculty who have pushed me out of my comfort zone." Throughout her time at Ursinus, Julia has been a part of a plethora of extracurriculars, including serving as Vice-President of Rotaract Club, Communications Chair for the Chapel Leaders, UCARE Service Fellow, J.A.M. With Us Podcast Host and Producer,



and an Abele Scholar. In the fall, Julia will pursue her masters in Communications at Villanova on a full scholarship.

*The Grizzly* would like to thank once again the graduating editorial staff and writers and wish them good luck on their journeys. Congratulations and we cannot wait to see what is in store for all of you.





# OPINIONS

# That's All, Folks!

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If I had to sum up my last four years at Ursinus in one word, I'd choose ephemeral. Ephemeral means extremely short, which considering I was at home for more than a full year thanks to a devastating pandemic, I'd say this experience was.

I arrived like every other excited freshman on a stressful August morning, awaiting what this new journey would bring me. Everyone always boasts about their life-changing college experience, so I was excited to experience everything the young adult life had to offer. This newfound freedom was cut surprisingly short, as it was announced at the beginning of our Spring Break that the remainder of the semester would be online. I chose to stay at home my sophomore year, for numerous reasons, and I do not regret this decision one bit. The choice did cost me valuable UC time, though.

I feel as if my college experience was adequate. Nothing extremely life-changing happened, except for a pandemic that halted the world. But, I do know that I'm a changed person. I'm more mature and educated, experienced with both the political field and the field of journalism (Thank you Grizzly), and a seasoned professional at networking and utilizing alumni connections, as most UC seniors eventually become. I thoroughly enjoyed my time here, but my experience feels more a blur than a protracted journey of self-discovery.

My professors in both the English and Politics departments were truly the backbone of my Ursinus experience - I owe everything to them for being so supportive and encouraging. I am a child of two departments that usually go underrepresented at Ursinus, so I will forever do my due diligence in being a proponent of the English major and the Politics major. Specific shoutouts to Dr. Kara McShane, Dr. Annie Karreth, and Dr. Becky Evans, who are three amazing role models who champion their department with their stupendous work in their fields, for guiding me through these last four years. I know everyone feels a special connection to their specific major's department and faculty, but to me these areas and people really felt like home these last four years.

I also wouldn't be here today without my friends. I know everyone feels the same about their Ursinus friend group. How is it possible that in a few short weeks we're all going to be moving away from each other, never again living in such close proximity to this supportive community? Whilst we may not all be together in person, I will always have a piece of you with me because of the memories. Now to get sappy and give some special thanks! Thanks to Layla for always supporting me in all my writing endeavors. To Ava, for always being there for me these past four years, it's been metamorphic to grow with you. To Brenna, for giving the best advice and always presenting a positive outlook. To Aylin, for challenging my thinking, and constantly making me laugh. To Katy, for being so supportive throughout all our hardships, you never fail to bring me joy.

I know many college students, myself included, put too much pressure on what they want from their college experience. We feel as if we need to become something in these four years and transform ourselves into professional adults that know how to navigate the world. But we're not paragons of perfection, and we cannot expect to change into something we are not. Hardships are valuable parts of the experience, and while they can be a distraction from what one feels they need to be focusing on, or what one is told they need to enjoy, they teach us more about ourselves than we realize. And those lessons we learn are priceless, these small experiences following us throughout our lifetime, forever making an impact on who we are and how we act. Whilst the experience may be short, the memories, skills, and friendships made will be evermore.

## No Crew Team? Why?

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For the longest time, me and, well mostly me, wondered about the lack of a crew team here at Ursinus. We have a multitude of sports: from basketball, baseball, football and soccer, to tennis, lacrosse, field hockey and swimming, and yet we have no crew team here. I reached out to Erin F. Stroble, the Director of Athletics here at Ursinus, for answers regarding the missing sport.

For anyone wondering if there's any particular reason why there's no crew team here, according to Stroble, "Ursinus College is a member of the Centennial Conference, and so most of our sports are the sports that are offered by our conference." As for bringing in additional sports here at Ursinus, she also added, "Adding sports is a process that involves surveying student interest, assessing whether there is a sufficient interest to support a program, assessing whether a team of that sport would have appropriate competition and then considering the cost of that program to see if it would be in the best interest of the College."

Students haven't seemed to show much interest in having a crew team here, which plays a big part in there being no team. Stroble also stated, "We conduct a survey of enrolled and admitted students to assess sport interest by our students and the past two surveys have not indicated a sufficient level of interest in crew. These surveys have not shown enough interest in any other sports that we do not offer." According to Stroble, this was also the reason why women's wrestling was added. She stated, "We recently added women's wrestling based on interest and an assessment conducted by our wrestling coaching staff. I have not been contacted by students interested in any other teams that we do not currently offer."

Now comes the question: is there potential for a crew team at Ursinus in the future? Well, as stated by Stroble, "If student interest levels indicate a sufficient interest in crew, and the college determines that supporting a crew program is in its best interest, then yes, we would consider adding a crew program. (This answer applies to any sports that meet this criteria.)" There does seem to be some hope in terms of having a crew team here at Ursinus, but according to Stroble, this all lies with the students and what they want to see at this school in terms of athletics. If anyone here has an interest in doing crew, or any sport for that matter, then they should be sure to let their interest be known. The admins here are always looking and working hard to improve the state of this school, and students should let their voices be heard.

# **SPORTS** Continued from page 8 That's the Game!

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Spring of senior year, a time to be reflective, grateful, and having the time of your life! As I look back on my almost four years as a member of The Grizzly, there have been some crazy moments that have led me to become the writer I am today.

Starting out as a scared little freshman trying to dip my toes in MCS extracurriculars, The Grizzly was calling out to me. With little to no connection within the Ursinus community yet, I wrote a sports article about the Ursinus men's basketball team. Since then, I have grown a lot as a writer and as an editor, trying to think of as many creative stories as I could.

My sophomore year, 2020-2021, Ursinus was surreal to say the least. So many moving parts throughout the entire year, COVID, sports, friendships, declaring a second major, AND writing 3-4 Grizzly

## Let Them Place Bets

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"Gambling is not a vice; it is a expression of our humanness. We gamble. Some do it at the gaming table; some do not. You play, you win, you play, you lose. You play." – Jeanette Winterson, **The Passion.** 

Across America, college athletes are banned from participating in any form of betting on sporting events at both the college and professional level. Sports are one of, if not the, largest pieces of culture the world over. Every week, fans travel to or tune into their favorite team's competition. Last year, Americans bet a combined \$57.2 billion on sports, and of that, the sportsbooks only earned \$4 billion of that money. Student-athletes have been cut off from a chance to make money, relax, and play games with their friends, so why not let them bet? Change the guidelines, making it so they can bet, articles a week! I got heavily involved with athletes, administrators, students, coaches, staff and faculty, almost anyone I could talk to. At the end of the year, I must have written over 50 articles (do not fact check me on that) and I was exhausted from writing. So, I knew it was time for a change.

Junior year rolled around and I got selected as the News Editor for the 2021-2022 academic year! Being a part of the decision-making progress for an entire section, let alone the section with the front page of the newspaper! I wrote fewer articles; however, I found editing other writers' articles just as enjoyable. I get to see different styles, people's interviewing decisions, and overall voice in their articles.

Senior year fall comes around and I am back where I started my freshman year, with sports! I became the Sports Editor and absolutely loved everything about the position. Writing and editing the pieces were always so unique, I got to see how student-athletes view their sports, as most of them are very different from tennis for me, and hear their passions.

What's most special about The Grizzly is that you need ABSOLUTELY NO **EXPERIENCE TO START! I wrote** my first article without taking a single journalism class, did not even take a journalism class until junior year, so it is all about experience and then you can learn how to make yourself better! The Grizzly has given me more skills than just journalism that I will take with me into my professional career, which will not be journalism! It is funny how things work in a way that you least expect it. The Grizzly allowed me to be a part of decisions the administration has made, getting the students' voices heard, and I got to talk to Jimmy Rollins! I will miss everything about The Grizzly and remember our unique group for the rest of my life.

xoxo Ava Comp

just not on their own divisions.

I want to emphasize the end of that sentence, "not on their own divisions." The NCAA Guidelines state that no athlete may bet on any athletic event regardless of division or level of play. Student-athletes are not even allowed to have a Fantasy Football League. Why? College athletics have very little overlap across divisions. You will not be seeing Ursinus College playing the University of Alabama anytime soon, so why not let the students bet on them? You will not see Alabama playing against the Eagles, so why not let their players place a wager on how many touchdowns Jalen Hurts will have? Why can't a student athlete place a few bucks on the color of Gatorade at the Super Bowl?

Across divisions and levels, student athletes have no direct means of influencing other players, so let them wager. Beyond that college students and by extension student-athletes are, outside of unique circumstances, legal adults. Legal adults who are allowed to take risks, take on massive amounts of debt for education, are tied to the full effects of any crime, yet are not mentally or emotionally mature enough to bet on March Madness? I don't believe that.

Now I know there are many arguments for this ban. That it takes away from the "purity" of organized athletics, that it can lead to corruption in the players ranks, or that players could be taken advantage of. Speaking from experience, unless an organization is lackadaisical or just outright incompetent, they are eagle-eyed in their attention to their individual players. Players are kept accountable and protected by the staff and players they have surrounding them. Let them bet. Let them make a March Madness bracket, let them bet on the color of the Gatorade at the Super Bowl, and especially, let them place \$5 on a Fantasy Football League with their friends.





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# Ursinus Baseball: Stealing the Odds

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It's feeling like spring once again and it seems that hopeful energy is in full swing on the Ursinus Baseball team. The season felt like it had a rough start, but the team made sure not to let it stay that way and continued to put the effort in. Their record stands at 13-19 but the players are hopeful, coming off some really crucial and feel-good wins.

On Wednesday, March 15, the team played against Salisbury University. Salisbury is currently ranked at #2 in the country for D-3 baseball; so it was a clear contender for a favorite memory for the Ursinus team that they won the game 6-3! The Bears did not stop there, taking another win against John Hopkins University on April 8th with a score of 6-4. Hopkins is another top team in the country, at #4. "We feel like having 2 top-5 wins in one season is a great achievement, and we're looking forward to building on those wins as we continue our conference season," says sophomore Cory Burns. It is really a proud moment for Ursinus and our community seeing our team find success against some powerful teams!

The team did take some time to find its footing. The season started against some good talent while, as Cory describes, the team was "...still knocking the rust off..." as the team had to work to find that groove and their first wins. But broadly speaking, the team feels they have really come a long way since that start of the season. It takes a lot to get over the mental block a rough start can provide, but clearly, Ursinus Baseball was able to pull through, taking those wins against some top 5 teams!

Looking forward, the team is keeping its hopes up. The Ursinus team's main goal for the moment is to make the Centennial Conference playoffs. With their current standing and the games they have coming up soon, the team is feeling pretty confident. As long as the team keeps working hard and improving, it seems the team can really keep going strong. Cory remarks that an important part to keep improving on is consistency. Putting in the constant effort every day towards their goals should really help to get the team going strong.

The Bears have 8 more games to play against 4 more schools starting today at Swarthmore. Saturday, the team will travel to Carlisle, PA to face off against Dickison. But the team is staying focused, working to be sure to take these must-need wins to reach their goal of conference playoffs. Be sure to cheer on and send your encouragement to the team when you see them! Go Bears!

"...we're looking forward to building on those wins as we continue our conference season!"

- Cory Burns '25

