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Behind the puppet . . .

by Vickie Goddard

About a year ago Steve Pennington began making puppets with a friend and former student of Trevecca, Bill Gunno. He became interested in puppets through many of Bill's revivals, which were held for children. Steve's first performance with puppets came about at a children's revival in West Virginia, where he participated, along with three other people, as a puppeteer.

Since then, he has traveled extensively throughout the southeastern United States, displaying his talent. He has worked with the group, Dia Koinonia, and also the Ridgerunners.

There is much that goes into making a puppet. You must have a visual idea or drawing in your mind. After this, you develop the personality of the character by giving it certain traits, such as shyness or stubbornness. During this stage, you must apply the rules of cartooning. Then to finish, you find a voice which will fit it.

To attain perfection in the vocal and gestural acts of the puppet requires much practice. Steve suggests that you practice your voice and motions daily, in front of a mirror, to improve coordination. He feels to do an effective job,



"practice in front of the mirror a lot; that way you're able to see what it looks like to the audience".

you must become an actor, for a puppet is really an extension of yourself.

Steve has invented several characters of his own. Hairly Grizzly,

Reverend Calhoun Peabody, and Dr. Knows-It-All, are a few you are probably familiar with. The list also includes M. C. Jones, William T. Goat, Leo, George, and Mrs. Percy.

These kind of presentations, though they are quite humorous, really do affect people in many ways. "I feel people gain a lot, because they can identify with some character in the skit," Steve commented. He went on to explain how the various situations that the characters are put into can reflect a person's relationship to God.

Presently, Steve is working as a puppeteer for Tom Tichenor, who directs marionette puppet shows weekly at the Nashville Public Library. Tichenor has produced more than 500 puppets and 52 folk and fairy tales.

This summer Steve will travel with the Discovery Players, a group similar to the Encounters. In the future, he hopes to write a book and provide various workshops on puppet ministry.

When I asked Steve what he enjoyed most about this type of ministry he replied with a smile of certainty. "When you're a puppet, you're able to say many things you couldn't ordinarily say to people. It's probably one of the best types of communication."



By the way, Steve, what does your father think about you playing with dolls?



Summer ministries

The Department of Youth has announced the membership in their summer ministries groups, Discovery Players and Lost & Found for the summer of 1976. Both groups will begin the summer with training in Dallas, Texas, during early June and will begin their tours following General Assembly.

Discovery Players is forming to share this summer for the first time ever. The membership is:

NAME	HOMETOWN
Julie Battjes	Dearborn, Michigan
Joey Condon	Hollywood, Florida
Stephen Hicks	Edmonds, Washington
Layne McInturff	Warren, Pennsylvania
Bruce Moore	Nampa, Idaho
Bette Moore	Nampa, Idaho
Steve Nease	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Dean Nelson	Minneapolis, Minnesota
Steve Pennington	Nashville, Tennessee
Hardy Ulmet	Louisville, Kentucky

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editorials

On rules and religion

or, can a college allow

20 late dates per quarter and still be sanctified?

The Jews had literally thousands of laws that they lived by. These laws governed everything from how far to walk on Sunday, to what they should or should not eat. To what extent a Jew kept these laws determined how devout he was—it was as simple (or hard) as that. Now, if I remember my Sunday School lessons correctly, Jesus Christ came to change all of that.

Yet some people seem to have failed to get the message.

Two weeks ago a student came to the quarterly Community Living Council meeting to express her views on certain topics. Now I appreciate her concern (it was a pleasant respite from the usual apathy on campus) and I respect her opinions. However, I am disturbed by one thing that she seemed to be saying, and what really bothers me is that I've heard it before (although never from a student). That is—that Trevecca is experiencing a moral and/or spiritual slump due to the recent change of some rules.

The people who claim that Trevecca is, indeed, less spiritual than it once was talk in generalities. But when asked to explain themselves or to give some examples, all the answers I've heard go something like this: "Well, I don't know for sure. It's just that things were so much stricter when I first came here; girls were not even allowed to wear slacks to class, let alone jeans. The rules are so lenient now."

Somehow I fail to see the connection. Dorm hours, jeans, and such, have nothing to do with the spiritual or moral atmosphere on a campus. I am not any less a Christian if I wear my tennis shorts from the dorm to the courts, than if I change in the gym.

Of course, Trevecca has her problems, and of course there are some students who disregard her standards—TNC isn't perfect . . . but show me a college that is! I resent any statement that insinuates that Trevecca is lacking in Christian atmosphere. Maybe you find what you want to find. I think that I speak for more than myself when I say that, over all, I have found good Christian fellowship here.

A Christian campus is more (thank God) than a set of strict rules. It's sharing and growing together in our Christian experience. It's a relationship of love and concern between faculty, staff, and students and, more importantly, between them all and God.

I am thankful to attend a Christian college with high ideals. Yet, at the same time, I think it speaks well of Trevecca that we have learned to discard some of the trivial, less important "rules" in order to concentrate on the higher, more meaningful things. The "something extra" is not found in a longer list of do's and don'ts—but rather comes from somewhere within.

Stuco column

Que Pasa?

by Ted Richel

What do you mean "Is Stuco doing anything?" You missed the meeting? I'm sorry, we meet at 5:30 on Mondays in Sci. 304. Who are your representatives anyway? What do you mean you don't know? Are they the ones that took themselves out for a steak dinner on your money? The same ones that spent more time trying to decide where to take their group pictures for the yearbook than they did on everything else put together one meeting? You must mean the crowd that is always late for the meetings with good excuses like, "I had to finish my ice-cream." That dynamic group that's out to solve the problems of Tink? (That's TNC—how would you pronounce it?) When I considered the potholes they've filled, the cables they've tightened, the cascade wires they've hidden, why, it Boggles (pun intended) the mind to think that so many monumental tasks could be accomplished in one year.

Yeah, I got tired of bein' positive. After all, variety is the spice

of life. Ah . . . but let us be objective. I hate to bring it up, but they also completely revamped the constitution to create a more efficient form of student government. And, yeah, I guess they did discuss some pretty pertinent issues at the last meeting, like the tennis courts, academic quality, Benson parking lot problems, and the All-School Retreat. I guess I oughta say something, too, about the recurring issues they're following up on like the elusive Tennessee Hall laundrymat and the Stupid Center water fountain.

O.K. So they sponsored a concert or two—what do you mean, fifteen hundred dollars worth of concerts for only a couple of hundred dollars? There have been an abundance of worthwhile campus activities this year. (Almost like a real college!)

Anyway, I know you guys don't care about junk that's coming up but they made me mention it. Spring Retreat will be the weekend of April 17th with John Knight III as the special speaker.

And who cares if it will be over in time to see Living Witness at First Church—you won't go anyway. Uh-oh, get out your calendars again—another Stuco concert! This time it's an increasingly well-known contemporary gospel group in the style of the Imperials. They'll be doing an after-church concert on campus the 28th of April. Also, C.W.A. and Stuco are co-sponsoring a multi-media presentation on the life of Christ the weekend after Easter. By the way, the spring quarter refrigerator rent is overdue. When you gonna start payin' your bills on time?

Well, that's all for Stuco, but there are some things that passed CLC that you should know about. Freshmen are now allowed 10 late dates instead of four. (Can you handle it freshmen?) CLC sent an official recommendation up the hill that the library not be closed for supper and that it stay open till 11:00 week nights except Friday. But then they also recommended that P.E. be left open all night as an after-hours study room—idealistic? We'll see. Girls, the over night pass controversy is over. You now officially have the right to call in and have someone sign you out over night as long as it's done before dorm hours.

Thank you for your kind attention and good night. Maybe I don't always make you smile, but at least I try not to bore ya. Anyway, who cares?



This
is to know

To struggle in my soul and bring forth the truth about myself
To lay aside the thoughts of others and the comparisons and doubts with which my mind is filled.
To groan in my weakness and ache with longing for understanding
To expose gaping sores infected by years of harboring and covering up
To release thoughts that are unthinkable in the presence of anyone else
To empty myself of vile attitudes and convulsive hatred.
To lay bare the secrets of lust and jealousy and allow the layers of guilt to be stripped away until the sin alone is to be dealt with
To be sprinkled with the blood of Christ until I have tasted its healing power
To beg to be bathed in that blood and filled to overflowing with the cleansing stream
To feel weak at the holy emptiness left in me when I have been washed
To understand that the presence of God is filling that emptiness in me—and the words of God are to fill my heart and mind and are to pour from my mouth
This is to know that I have
Encountered
God

P.J.T.

news briefs

Presidential primaries

by Jack Gregory

Since the Presidential primaries are upon us I think it is important to discuss some of the aspects surrounding these events.

Primaries have been long under attack for not serving their purpose or for just completely being a farce. Others, especially presidential hopefuls, have found them to be a very instrumental tool for national exposure.

Every candidate takes a chance when he enters a primary. If an aspiring presidential hopeful en-

ters the first primary in New Hampshire in February, runs the gauntlet all the way through California in June, and still survives by winning strategic states, that candidate has a reasonable chance to win the nomination of his or her political party.

The name of the game is winning delegate votes which the candidate will take to the national convention. This is one of the main purposes of a primary. Primaries also serve as public opinion for the particular party in which that person votes.

If a candidate falters early in the primaries and continues to do so, the candidate is almost certain to be doomed.

There is such a large number of variables concerning political campaigns that it would be an almost impossible task to list them all. One that is the most important to a candidate is that the campaign peaks at a certain time, and the denouncement in the day or day before election.

There have been many primaries since February, but there are still several more ahead. It would be very wise to check your state and see if these is an upcoming primary. Register and vote!

(CPS) — It isn't certain which party he belongs to, but a group of people in Denver is pushing "Nobody" for president

The group, called the "Committee to Elect Nobody," has printed circulars which point out recent pollsters' predictions that more Americans will stay home on election day this year than will cast their ballots, and they urge people to join this "New Majority."

"Nobody has impeccable credentials: he's never been associated with any political party or with government in any way," proclaims one of the circulars. "When someone asks you who you are voting for this year, offer them this advice," reads another, "—Don't Vote."

Musical ministry with the Encounters

by Linda S. Cramer

"Dear Mr. Cook: On behalf of the students, faculty and staff of Bayshore High School, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for a beautiful program that the "Encounters" put on for us this morning. We are already looking forward to their return to our school with their next program."

Another letter said: "... "They did a superb job. Their repertoire was enriching and pleasing to all ages, the best we have ever heard..."

So runs the toe of much of the correspondence received in the Public Relations office from places where Trevecca's own singing group, the ENCOUNTERS, has appeared. Organized in the summer of 1974, they have spent one summer traveling from coast-to-coast, and recruiting the rest of the time in the Southeast zone during vacations and on weekends. Needless to say, the contacts made and the results achieved have been numerous and varied. Little is said to the general student body about these trips, so many doubtless wonder what, if anything, the group DOES accomplish. You can be assured these are far from just pleasure trips. Perhaps some of what was accomplished can be seen from a brief run-down of their Christmas tour.

Between November 29, 1975 and December 18, 1975, the ENCOUNTERS were guests at churches, youth rallies, colleges, and high schools in Georgia and North, Central and Southern Florida, with attendance totaling 9,427 and re-

The Student Body voted last week to make Roger's Chapel the All-School Project for this year. The small Nazarene Church on Argyle Avenue has been condemned by Metro because it has no toilet facilities. The congregation of 25-30 has no resources whatsoever to raise the \$4,000 it will take to build the additional rooms.

The All-School project will donate \$1200, budgeted by Stuco last spring, toward the cause. The Ministerial Assoc. and Project Invasion also plan to make additional donations of \$100 and \$250, respectively.

According to Pastor William Allen, the funds will enable the chapel to begin building right away, and therefore keep its doors open to the community.

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It is rumored that the first 100 people to use the new toilet facilities will receive a genuine purple and white freshman beanie, and a certificate of Honorary Trevecca Membership from Stuco. It was suggested that the certificates be used as wallpaper, or something...

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They will be travelling in the western half of North America this summer to share the Gospel through plays, skits, music, role-playing, pantomime, and puppets. Usually the group will be working with the local church for three days in a "Festival of Drama and Music." Please pray for the successful communication of the Gospel of Christ through the Discovery Players.

For the seventh consecutive summer, **Lost & Found** will be sharing music and drama ministry throughout the United States. Membership in the group this summer is:

NAME	HOMETOWN
Don Bird	Sublete, Kansas
Rena Burkhart	Denver, Colorado
Jan Clifton	San Jose, California
Paul Coleman	Flint, Michigan
Diane Crisp	New Castle, Indiana
Dean Flemming	Louisville, Ohio
Steve Jahn	Williamina, Oregon
Terry Langford	Lakeland, Florida
Bob Loeber	Connell, Washington
Steve Merki	Alliance, Ohio
Detta Sams	Selah, Washington
Jan Schlosser	Reynoldsburg, Ohio
Ann Spoon	Goulds, Florida
Craig Stevens	Ridgecrest, California
Mark Uerkvitz	San Diego, California

Both Discovery Players and Lost & Found will be premiering the new NYPS theme musical in Dallas Saturday evening, June 19 at the General Convention along with a mass youth choir and wind ensemble (brass & woodwinds). The new musical will be part of their repertoires for the summer tours.

ceiving an offering of \$3,069.58. Records, music and tapes were sold as well.

But, more important than financial and attendance gains were the opportunities presented the members for personal witnessing and fellowship. On the ENCOUNTERS tour summary sheets such responses were recorded: Moultrie, GA Church—"One girl prayed through and found Christ as Savior after the concert was completed." Orlando, FL Boone High School—"... a lot of enthusiasm from the kids... who shared with us their relationship with Christ."; Cocoa Beach Church of the Nazarene—"the only way to even try to explain it is just the unexplainable working of the Lord that gave us strength... things clicked." Despite sickness, weather, equipment failures, and occasionally

poor conditions and uncooperative crowds, the Lord still continues to work in the hearts of those who are willing to listen and respond.

So far, the ministry of the ENCOUNTERS has been mostly limited to the Southeast Educational Zone. Starting this next year, however, those who are in the group will be travelling continuously for one year across the continent and hopefully out of the country (like Europe, maybe!), as well.

Combine the individual talents of the ENCOUNTERS, the direction of Jim VanHook, the music of Jerry Nielson, the help and prayers of Karen Johnston and Franklin Cook and many other people, and add the blessing of the Lord, and you've got a mixture that's hard to beat.



There's more than one way to fool Mom B.

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sports

Women's tennis: a game of love

by Cathy Marie Fulkerson

Trevecca's 1976 Womens Tennis Team started their season on March 23 with a loss to Freed-Hardeman University. Two days later, Thursday, March 25, they served up a victory over Fisk making their record 1-1. Their game against Belmont, March 29, was postponed due to rain. Tennis is a game requiring a great deal of hard work, concentration, and devotion, but the thirteen girls on this year's team are looking forward to a good season of women's tennis. Under the direction of coach Debbie Lore and manager Donna Clemons, the team is working hard at being the best tennis team Trevecca has ever had.

Practice began as early as winter quarter with the individual players doing exercises and conditioning. The girls, as a team, started spring quarter by practicing weekdays from 3:00-5:00 and sometimes on Saturdays. They are now challenging each other to in-

dividual tennis matches in order to improve their actual playing skills.

The players are: Seniors, Alline "Moe" Moorehead, Donna Brewer, Pam Murphy, and Sherri Gentry; Juniors, Sandi Lucas, Beth White, and Kim Wonders; Sophomores, Sue Lucas, Ann Shumann, and Lois Clemons; and Freshmen, Debbie

Francis, Carol Ernest, and Jeri Skinner. New members to this year's team are Sandi and Sue Lucas (manager's of last year's team), Debbie Francis, Ann Shumann, Jeri Skinner, and Carol Ernest.

Coach Debbie Lore doesn't believe the team is "real strong" yet because there were few returning lettermen (or is that letterwomen?) and, with all the new players, they have to get used to playing with each other. Due to present changes in the ratings, Debbie was unable to give out any infor-

mation on the positions the players will have in the matches.

Debbie Francis, a newcomer to the team, said, "Even though this is my first year on the tennis team, I feel we're working harder as a team." Sandi Lucas (manager of last year's team and a player on this year's team) said, "I feel the team has a lot more potential and is working together to improve, possibly due to Debbie's direction as a coach in giving us an enthusiasm to develop better skills."

Debbie feels the women's tennis team doesn't get as much recognition as other teams because baseball is "more prevalent" at this time of the year and you can't really cheer at a tennis game, but she believes they will gain more attention as they win more games. The women's tennis team lost their game to Fisk on Monday, April 5, making their record 1-2.

Mighty Trojans "slice" through their opponents

by Morris Stocks and Jerry Crummer

The 1975 men's tennis team was the best in Trevecca's history! The SCAC champions finished with a

500 record, and a 6-1 conference record. Returning lettermen from this championship team are: Bob Blankenship, Charlie Gray, Morris Stocks, Stan Dunlap, Jim Acker-

son, and Jerry Crummer. Newcomers John Jewell and Jeff Long are expected to provide a great deal of support.

This year's team is off to a good start. Presently, they have wins over Christain Brothers, Bethel, Bryan, Convant, Lee, and Union. Their only loss was 6-3 decision to David Lipscomb College. The netters have won over 80% of their singles matches and 67% of their doubles. For the first time the team will compete in the Volunteer State Athletic Conference, along with the Southern Christian Athletic Conference. At present they are 2-0 in the VSAC and 3-0 in the SAC. The overall team record, including games outside of both conferences, is 6-1. The team is led by senior Bob Blankenship with a 7-0 record in singles at the #1 slot. Jeff Long follows with a 6-1 record at #4. John Jewell #2, Charlie Gray #3, and Morris Stocks #5 are 5-2, and Stan Dunlap #6 is 5-1. Jim Ackerson, Johnny Bledsoe, Jerry Crummer, John Gillespie, Dave Hill and Steve Rickey provide depth in doubles and singles.

In his four years at Trevecca, Coach Allen Smith is "tremendously pleased" with the progress of the tennis program. He has hopes that this will be an even better year than the last, and feels confident of his chances going into the toughest part of his schedule.

Coach Smith and the players appreciate the increased interest shown toward the tennis team by the Student Body. The Trojans travel to Bethel College April 6th, Bryan College April 9th, and Lee College April 10th.



Morris Stocks returns a forehand stroke.

Trojan time-out

By TWEETY CHILDRESS

Baseball team slugs their way through the first half of the season

The 1976 baseball season is underway and the Trojans are off to a good start. After 17 games they have compiled a 9-8 win-loss record, with standings of 3 wins and 1 loss in the VSAC and also in the SCAC. With returning lettermen and new recruitment, the Trojans are looking forward to one of the best seasons in the history of baseball at TNC.

There are seven returning lettermen—all of last years infielders along with three pitchers. Last year's leading hitter, Rob Gassie, returns for the 1976 season and is being counted on heavily for his offensive strength. Also, four junior transfers will be relied upon greatly throughout the season. The transfers are catcher Kenneth Thomas, outfielder Frank Pinson, and pitchers Mike Mitchell and Troy Whitley.

Coach Bill Green is looking at this season with much anticipation. Since the Trojan finished second in the SCAC in both the 1974 and 1975 season, he feels they should be jamor major contenders for the championship. Coach also feels the Trojans will be very representative in their first season of the VSAC.

*Statistics and scores as of April 3, 1976

Leading Hitters	average
RICH BROWN	.389
LONNIE TAYLOR	.381
MIKE HARPER	.375

Leading Runs Batted In
MITCHELL—18
THOMAS—16
L. TAYLOR—15

Triples
BROWN—2
MITCHELL—1
HAWKINS—1

Doubles
GASSIE—4
BROWN—4

Leading pitchers	ERA
WHITLEY 4 wins-4 losses	4.29
KILGORE 2 wins-1 loss	4.37
MITCHELL 1 win-0 losses	6.38

Team Batting Average .329
Avg. runs per game—6.76

US	SCORES	THEM
W13—Mercer-Atlanta		10
L0—Mercer-Atlanta		1
L1—Tennessee State		12
W13—Tennessee State		4
L4—St. Bernard		9
W8—Lambuth		7 (VSAC)
L6—Union		7
L9—Union		12
L5—Belmont		9 (VSAC)
W4—Bethel (IND)		3
L3—Bethel (IND)		5
W9—Lemoyne-Owen		8 (VSAC)
W3—Bryan		2 (SCAC)
W11—Bryan		4 (SCAC)
W7—CBC		6 (VSAC)
W13—Lee		2 (SCAC)
L6—Lee		11 (SCAC)

Women netters learn a lot their first year

by Barbara Montague

1976 was an important year for women's intercollegiate sports at Trevecca: The women had their first year of varsity basketball competition. Although the schedule was small with only five games, the girls felt they learned a lot. The team consisted largely of freshmen with three sophomores and only one junior. Carol Earnest and Carolyn Walsh were the team's top scorers. Coach Debbie Lore stated, "Inexperience and lack of height are the two obstacles that must be overcome. It's a team effort and not just a few people." Other members of the team included Denese Britt, Janet Burton, Margaret Fitzwater, Debbie Francis, Terri Hailey, Sharon Johnson, Beverly Lawson, Debbie Lott, Martha Osborne, Jayne Smith, Beth White, Donna Clemons, manager; and Ann Shumann and Moe Moorehead, statistians

