



The Alert

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BIBLE BOWL, MARCH 14 & 15

8th Annual Competition

The young man 2nd from right is Tim Schmal, a freshman at N.C.C. Last year he was on the winning team at our competition and then he and his teammates traveled on to place second at the North American competition. Tim is excited about Bible Bowl, and I'm sure he would want you to be aware of these reminders:



Date — March 14-15, 1980

Fee — \$20.00

Deadline for Registration — February 15

Trophies — First, Second, Third

Scholarships —

Alumni, it is not too late to register a team for this competition. If you are not aware of what "Bible Bowl" is or how it works, contact the College for information.

BOOST NEBRASKA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE!

Enthusiastics to World Convention

Besides a very busy touring schedule during the school year, the N.C.C. Enthusiastics will make an eleven day tour, May 18-28, through Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Missouri; then they will tour enroute to Seattle, Washington for the NACC, July 8-11. Following the NACC, they will fly to Honolulu, Hawaii and sing at the World Convention of Christian Churches. Ruth (Emrich) Graham has also made arrangements for the group to sing several other times during their stay in Hawaii.

The members of the Enthusiastics are raising their own travel funds for the round trip from Seattle to Honolulu. Contributions may be given to Nebraska Christian College and designated-Enthusiastics Travel Fund. Many Norfolk businesses and several individuals have contributed to the fund to date. They still need to raise approximately \$4,300.00 for air fares and several hundred dollars more for ground transportation in Hawaii. The young people will have additional expenses for housing and meals also. These kids have done a tremendous job of recruiting and promotion for N.C.C., and we hope that many alumni and friends will help them reach their goal in this project.

New Record Album by Enthusiastics

The Enthusiastics have just recorded ten new songs by David and Lowell Burkum. The album will be available in March or April. Watch the College News for the official release announcement.



Moving? Keep us informed!
Give us both old and new
address, including ZIP!

Spring Convention April 16-18

A great convention is being planned for these dates with many speakers including Harold Fowler, Italy; Charles Selby, Philippines; LaVerne Morse, Burma; Mark Maxey, Japan; Isabel Dittmore, Taiwan; and others by convention time. A complete program will be forthcoming in the College news and the next Alert, but plans are being made for one of the greatest conventions ever held at N.C.C. Wednesday night opening, busy day Thursday with a fine program. Alumni Banquet Thursday evening and a full day Friday which also includes the D.V.B.S. Clinic. Make plans now to bring a carload and join many other fine Christians in a great three days of preaching, teaching, and fellowship.

Alumni Committees

Each year various committees are appointed to help serve the Alumni Association. This year's committees include:

Constitution Review Committee

Frank Zimmerman
Bob Chitwood
Bob Boseck

Alumni Days

Lowell Burkum

Project Committee

Richard Brown
(See article next column)

Distinquished Award

Ken Cooper
Mark Smeltzer
Owen Wilmont
Mary Lou Richards

Friend of N.C.C. Award

Mark Weber

Nominating Committee

Ila Henning

Program Committee

M/M Carl Brandt
M/M Dave Crane
Lee Ogle
Jeanne Ring

Alumni Project

Several years ago the College purchased a video tape machine which has been much in use here at the College. Professor Brown uses it extensively in his teaching of Homiletics, Coach Boelter uses it for basketball, Ron McConkey uses it for promotion, and it has been a fun thing during Career Days and Convention. But like all other things that are used a lot it wears out. The Alumni Association appointed a committee to choose a new project for the Alumni and they have chosen to purchase a new video tape system (color-cassette) for the College. The purchase price of this project will be in the close vicinity of \$2,000. If you as an Alumnus of Nebraska Christian College would help with this needed addition to the College's equipment, send your check to:

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Box 919
Norfolk, NE 68701

Alumni Banquet

Last year the Alumni had a very nice meal served to us by a great group of young men and women. It was a very nice atmosphere, relaxed, unhurried, good food, and fellowship. This year we are having a repeat. The Banquet will be Thursday evening, April 17th at 5:00 p.m. Cafeteria of N.C.C. served by the "Enthusiastics" (maybe they'll sing a song or two). Cost will be \$6.00 a plate with the profits going to help finance the Enthusiastics Hawaiian trip.

It's Your Paper!

You can help the editor help you by sending articles of 350 words or less on how, who, when, where, results, suggestions, etc. Send to: Editor, The Alert; Nebraska Christian College; Box 919; Norfolk, NE 68701.

"The Preachers Are Coming!"

Earl Hargrove of Lincoln Christian College will be long remembered for his insistence "the preachers are coming." Well, it's true! at N.C.C. also. N.C.C. continues to make a strong thrust in the pulpit ministry - and I think that's what you expect and our churches need.

I think you'll share my excitement that 28 students are enrolled in Homiletics I - that's a record high for my eight years at N.C.C. This class represents a shift - I hope it's a trend - in that 60% have indicated their commitment to the preaching ministry. Previously the figure ran 25% - 30%. I'm excited!

Your help is needed. On-the-job-experience and training is so important, but now we have more students than opportunities. Currently 17 students are involved in weekend ministries. How can you help? We need to expand our internship program where a student spends a summer or a semester working with a local church under close supervision. Several ministers and congregations have helped this way-but more are needed.

Let's keep on working to keep the preachers coming.

Mr. Brown

Say it Simple

"We respectfully petition, request and entreat, that due and adequate provisions be made, this day and the date hereinafter subscribed, for the satisfying of this petitioner's nutritional requirements, and for the organizing of such methods as may be deemed necessary and proper to assure the reception by and for said petitioner of such quantities of baked cereal products as shall, in the judgment of the aforesaid petitioner, constitute a sufficient supply thereof."

Translation:

"Give us this day our daily bread"

We're fortunate indeed that a lawyer didn't write the Lord's Prayer!

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Midwest Christian College Conference

This year Nebraska Christian College will be hosting the tournament. This will be a first for the College, and you are invited to attend. The dates are March 6-8, with games being played at 2:00, 4:00, 6:30, & 8:30 p.m. Tournament tickets are available from the College.

Oops, Sorry!

The editor apologizes for having missed printing Don Ludwick's name as a participant at the Iowa Christian Convention. Thank you, Don, for a job well done.



Brown's bargain books will once again be held at the Convention.

\$ \$ \$

Bargains on books from Brown.

We're "into" Volleyball



Johnson, Myers, Beck, Grindley, Wetzel, Reynolds, Nicks, Kimball, Kannenberg, Coach Boelter, Bruner, Boyd, Prickett, Sturm, Schwarck, Gibson and Henden.

Volleyball is still quite new at NCC, and our girls are learning fast. We here at the College are quite proud of these girls this year as they posted a 10-10 season.



Coming Events

Valentine Formal February 14
Spring Break February 21-24
Midwest Christian College Conf.
Tournament March 6-8
Bible Bowl March 14-15
Choir Tour March 21-30
Spring Break April 2-7
Convention & VBS Clinic. . Apr. 16-18
Spring Missions Banquet. . April 30



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**Missionary
CONVENTION**

April 16-18

**Daily
Missionary
Workshops**

**V.B.S.
CLINIC
April 17**

Alumni Banquet
April 17, 5 p.m.

Mark Maxey
Friday 7:30 p.m.

Isabel Dittmore
Thursday Noon

Distinguished Alumnus Award
Thursday p.m.

LaVerne Morse
Thurs.-Fri. 8 a.m. Breakfast

Sandy Sandell
N.C.C. Missions Instructor

Charles Selby
Wed. 7:30 p.m.



Harold Fowler
Thurs. 7:30 p.m.

Dorm Life

What's it like to be a part of a family that has one hundred twenty-six members, all living in the same building? We think it's great. Life here never gets dull because each day brings something new and different. We have many opportunities to express our love for each other and to share our sorrows and our joys.

We especially appreciate the atmosphere here which we feel contributes to each person constantly seeking improvement at every level. One of the great things about being here is that we have been able to see each student grow in the Lord and His service. The Dorm is an excellent place for the students to mature in all areas of their lives. There are times of being homesick and times of discouragement.

Apathy problems creep in every so often, but these times are few and we are thankful for the concern and the prayers of the students at such times.

Living in the Dorm affords us many opportunities to share, not just material things but Biblical sharing. It's exciting to see groups of students sitting together, sometimes in their rooms, or in the halls, even on the stair steps sharing what they have learned from the Word of God.

Living in the Dorm challenges us to become involved in the lives of others. This might mean giving up some leisure time so we can enjoy the activities of the students.

It challenges us to examine our relationship with God in order to have a love relationship with each other.

Living in the Dorm is being on call twenty-four hours a day. It's taking meals to the sick ones, fixing ice packs for sprained ankles, pulled muscles, and swollen knees. It's nursing colds, sore throats, headaches, upset stomachs, and toothaches. It's making change umpteen times a day. Giving out late keys and staying up late to be sure those that do not have keys get in. (continued next column)

It's also receiving Thank You cards, 'I love you' notes, cakes, cookies, gifts from students, and often students' parents. Dorm life is exciting.

"Dad" Books



A Mutual Need

DVBS Clinics

Daily Vacation Bible School Clinics will be at these times and places:

Norfolk, NE	April 17	9:30 - 3:30
Norton, KS	April 25	9:30 - 3:30

The Norfolk Clinic is on the second day of the 31st Annual Convention.

Alumni Reunions

An area Alumni reunion will be held at Cozad, Nebraska on May 3rd. Representing the College will be a group who are known as "Fresh Life." If you live in the area and are not aware of this reunion, contact Ed Maertens, Box 164, Cozad, NE 69130 for more information.

A Sioux City, Iowa area Alumni reunion was recently held. The accompanying picture shows part of the group that enjoyed the evening of fellowship.



Sioux City Reunion



Choraleers on Tour



As this article of the Alert is being printed our Choir is on tour. We wanted you to see this picture of our Choir, and we also wanted you to know that nine of these young people are children of Alumnus of Nebraska Christian College. It's good to have second generation students at the College.

Nominations for Officers, 1980-81

PRESIDENT

Elmer Hodge

VICE PRESIDENT

Jerry Quandt
Michael McHugh
Ken Cooper
Mark Smeltzer

SECRETARY

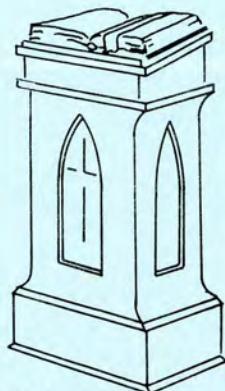
Disa Olson Nelson
Sue McHugh

TREASURER

Linda Lu Lloyd

EDITOR OF ALERT

Carl Brandt



Neglected Bible Colleges
Can Mean Empty
Pulpits

Voting will take place at the meeting on Thursday, April 17 at 5 p.m.

Coming Events

Spring Break April 2-7
Convention & VBS Clinic . Apr. 16-18
Spring Missions Banquet . April 30
Senior Rehearsal Dinner . . May 12
Music Recital May 15
Honors Convention . 10:30 AM . May 16
Commencement 8:00 PM . May 16
Marriage Enrichment Retreat
First Session May 19-21
Second Session May 21-23
Women's Retreat June 6-7
New Way Singers
Rehearsal Week June 8-13
Tour Week June 13-22

Books! Books! Books Books!

Professor Brown has gone overboard and ordered almost \$5,000 worth of books to sell at Convention time. Bargains, Bargains, Bargains. Bring your \$\$ to Convention and trade them for books to richen your library and your ministry. Brown's Book Bargains will be on sale April 16-18.

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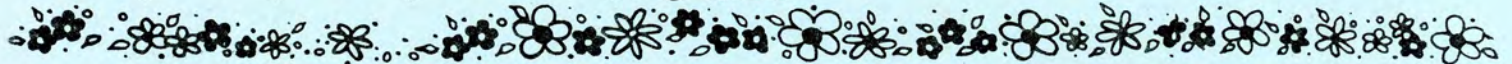
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Alumni Banquet

Alumni Banquet will be held Thursday evening of the Convention at 5 p.m. It's not too late to send in your \$6 per plate reservation. The menu includes: Baked Ham, Potatoes, Peas, Rolls, Strawberry Dessert, Salad, Relish Plate, Coffee, Tea, Milk, etc. Meal is by reservation only. Send them today to NCC, Box 919, Norfolk, NE 68701.

Note from the Grahams

It has been a busy time for the Graham family as we busily prepare for the World Convention of Churches of Christ to be held here in Honolulu, July 15-20. We are so excited and more than ready with a warm Aloha for the Enthusiastics, and any NCC Alumni and friends who are planning to join us. A special time for some NCC fellowship is being planned in our home (1645 Kanalui St., Honolulu, HI 96816) on Friday, July 18 from 3-5:00. If you are planning on being in Hawaii this summer, we'd be so honored if you would join us.

Aloha ke akua,

Frank & Ruth (Emrich) Graham

Video-Tape Project



Professor Brown demonstrates the new video-tape recording equipment provided by the Alumni Association. The old black/white system served well for seven years, but had become unusable. The item shown is an RCA portable color-cassette system, usable not only for classroom instruction but also in preparation of color recruiting and promotional programs.

Total equipment and tapes cost is about \$2200. \$600 is on hand. To help with this project, mark your gift "Alumni Project."



The editor wishes to take this space to say a special "Thanks" to Ila Henning and Harold Fox for their help in preparing this mailing every other month. Their help is greatly appreciated.



**What In The World
Are You Doing
For Christ's Sake?**

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The Editor's Letter

The picture, I am told, tells what I do better, (that's because I do it oftener) than any other thing I do. I don't want to use this space talking about me, but I would like to share with you what is hoped to be accomplished through the "Alert" and my feelings about certain areas of the school that you can help in.

First of all, I appreciate the opportunity of being the "Alert" editor another year and as stated in an earlier edition, would still appreciate receiving articles from you to be printed in upcoming issues.

Through the "Alert" we hope to keep you the Alumni informed of not only what's happened or happening, but how you can be of a help to the Kingdom of God through Nebraska Christian College.

In the last two issues, we have featured articles by different employees of the College, and we hope that through these you will know us better, understand our various areas of responsibility, and be acquainted with ways that you can help us help you.

As head of the maintenance department here at the College, I have the opportunity of being in all of the buildings every day and as a result, become knowledgeable of many of the blessings and problems that are with us at the College. It's good to work next door to the print shop and to see the many things that are printed and mailed, but it's also discouraging to see Harold Fox make so many trips downtown to get negatives made. It



Editor Carl Brandt

would be great if we had more printing department equipment. You may know printers in your community who could help. If so, have them contact Harold.

I enjoy visiting with Ron McConkey and to see his great concern for ways to recruit students. But you know as well as he does that you are still our best recruiters. Thank you for the young person you have challenged to come to school this year.

I appreciate Allen Boelter's concern for finances; the days when money is tight, he frowns; when the envelopes come with good offerings, he smiles. How well have you said thank you to God with your gift? Alumni, you are great, and we here at the College just all say Thanks.



Pray for the
Bible Colleges

In Christian love,
Carl

Note from Elmer Hodge

Nebraska Christian needs and deserves the support that former students can provide. In return, we need to provide the kind of information, programs, and services the Alumni request if at all possible. Identification, recognition, and involvement are the factors that will help alumni interest grow. Honestly informed and carefully cultivated, the Alumnus can become a solicitor as well as a contributor, a recruiter of new students, and a great PR person for his Alma-Mater. As an Alumnus, you are more than a signature on a check, you are a valuable source of ideas as well.

The function of the Alumni Association is to develop alumni interest where none exist. We need to become an asset to N.C.C.

The College is here to help you and your church satisfy your needs. N.C.C. appreciates her Alumnus.

The Alumni President serves as a liaison between the alumni and the institution. I have tried to relate to the Administration some of the wishes and attitudes of the Alumni. There is no way that we try to force our wishes upon the Administration. Our goal is to encourage a happy permanent relationship between Alumni and N.C.C.

The work of the Alumni is not just another job; like preaching and teaching, it is a way of life. The best servant is one who has been informed of the problems of the school and a conviction that the work of the school must continue. Through letters and the "Alert", we have tried to keep you informed of the needs of the school and the Alumni Association. What you do with this information is where you come in.

We in the Alumni Association become interested in the development and improvement of N.C.C. We build character in ourselves as well as others. What the personality of N.C.C. is depends a lot on you. You are not too young or too old to become involved. Timothy was told; "Let no one despise your youth." Moses did his greatest work after his eightieth birthday.



Note from Ron

Deb and Dawn Mathews (our Minnesota twins) from Canby, Minnesota, flash a couple of happy smiles as they inspect the table top display purchased by the Alumni Association. Joel Burkum's photography expertise is responsible for the outstanding pictures depicting life at NCC. This display will be used during the New Way tour, and the month-long Enthusiastic tour which will include the North American Christian Convention in Seattle and the World Convention of the Christian Church in Hawaii. It is a very versatile display with one side a bright red and the other side black. NCC will be aptly represented with this display.

The President's Note

The Building Committee of the Board of Trustees wants input from Alumni concerning the new library we are wanting to build. If you have any suggestions as to construction, type of space use, etc., please write a note to President Milliken and he will refer it to the committee. Please do it now. We need your ideas.



Hodge

McConkey

Milliken

New Officers

Alumni Association officers for 1980-81:

PRESIDENT: Elmer Hodge, Minister, Morningside Church of Christ, Sioux City, IA.

VICE PRESIDENT: Ken Cooper, Minister, Church of Christ, Missouri Valley, IA.

TREASURER: Linda Lu Lloyd, Bookkeeper, NCC.

SECRETARY: Disa (Mrs. Tony) Nelson, Secretary for First Christian Church of Norfolk, and Minister's wife, Westside Church of Christ, Akron, IA.

"ALERT" EDITOR: Carl Brandt, NCC.

New Way Singers

The New Way Singers this year consists of 105 people that were previously High School sophomores, juniors, and seniors from 13 different states. They all come together at the NCC campus on June 8 for one week of rehearsal and then one week on tour.

There are three groups again this year led by different members of the Lowell Burkum family along with faculty sponsors. They will cover a 10-state area. Look for them in these states: Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

The tour will end with a final concert combining all three groups on June 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Alumni Hall of Nebraska Christian College in Norfolk, Nebraska.



A Mutual Need



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address, including ZIP!

Lloyd and Loretta Sapp



Distinguished Alumnus Award

Lloyd Sapp was the recipient of this award at this year's convention. Lloyd is now retired living in El Paso, Texas. He was formerly a businessman managing and owning a large farm implement dealership in Julesburg, Colorado. He served as a Navy pilot during World War II. At the age of 35 he gave up his very successful business career and enrolled in Nebraska Christian College at Norfolk, Nebraska. During his third week in Bible college, he accepted a call to serve a new church, Southside Christian Church in Council Bluffs, Iowa. His ministry continued in the church for ten years. During this time the church completed two building programs to become one of the ten largest independent Christian Churches in Iowa.

Following the ministry, he was called to his Alma Mater to serve in the position of Director of Development. For ten years he served in this capacity sharing in the planning and growth of Nebraska Christian College.

Prior to his going to El Paso, he was involved in consulting work for Christian institutions and provided leadership in establishing a new church in Columbus, Nebraska. In El Paso, he was Vice-President in charge of Development for El Paso Christian College resigning last fall to retire.

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Friend of NCC Nominees

Merton Welch
Fort Morgan, CO

He is a native Nebraskan. He taught Instrumental Music at Norfolk High School and Jr. College for many years. A trustee of NCC for many years. An elder in Park Avenue Christian and First Christian all the while when he was in Norfolk. A faithful supporter of the College through the years.

He is retired and is now working in First Christian Church at Fort Morgan, Colorado.

Elsie Manson
O'Neill, NE

A native Nebraskan having grown up in Holt County. She and her husband, Howard, have always been active and enthusiastic supporters of NCC.

Elsie was a public school teacher for many years. She teaches piano presently. Her husband passed away a few years ago.

Elsie lives at O'Neill, Nebraska, and works at the Ewing Church of Christ.

Rex Myers

Broken Bow, NE

He is also a native Nebraskan from Broken Bow, Nebraska. He grew up in the Lillian Church. An active elder and worker in this church.

He is always an enthusiastic supporter of the College. His daughter, Connie, graduated from NCC.

He was the speaker for Parent's Day a few years ago.

Please use the enclosed postcard to indicate your choice of these three.

Coming Events

New Way Singers

Rehearsal Week June 8-13
Tour Week. June 13-22
NACC, Seattle. July 8-11
World Convention July 15-20
Fall Registration. August 18-19
Classes Begin. August 20
Founders Day September 1
Trustees Annual Meeting September 2
Deeper Life Cursade and
Fall Formal. September 9-11
Western Area Convention
Colorado Springs September 23-25

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Founders Day



Greg Hafer

I'm on my way
to Founders Day,
NCC, Sept. 1



Watchmen Quartet

Awards - Friend of NCC

Bible Preaching

Coffee at 9:00

Dixie Burkum

Eat - Alumni - Meet & Eat

FOUNDERS DAY

Greg Hafer - Main Speaker

Harold McCracken

Inspiration

Joy-in meeting old & new friends

King, Duane

Lowell Burkum

Music at 10:00 & 2:00

New Students

Opportunities for Growth

Preaching

Quartet Music

Robert Chitwood

Sept. 1

Two p.m. Music & Preaching

Unity for Christ

Victory in Largest Student Body

Watchmen Quartet

Xenophobia - non-existent at NCC

Young People

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R. Wamsley
Dean of Students

From

"The Other Dean"

Who is often found about the middle of July wringing his hands, talking to himself, consulting his "crystal ball," trying to be fair and equitable to all with honor, wishing it were November, wondering where to find housing for all who need it, and generally praying that God will just keep reminding him that something is bound to look better tomorrow?

President Jimmy Carter?

Possibly.

Governor Ronald Reagan?

Could be.

Dean of Students at NCC?

Very definitely!

And you thought that all Bible College administrators had to do during the summer months was go to camps (which everyone knows is like a vacation!?) and worry about weathering the financial drought until fall. When your ALERT editor asked me to write an article on the work of the Dean of Students, he had no idea that he was providing an open door for emotional catharsis!

In a more serious vein, I will attempt to give some idea of what this frustrated preacher turned administrator--or is that preacher turned frustrated administrator?--attempts to get done during the summer months. Half of those months (six weeks) are taken up with camps or tours and vacation (3 weeks each). When possible, another week is spent at the NACC.

In the remaining four or five weeks, the following major projects were on the docket for this summer:

1. Revise and rewrite Student Handbook.
2. Process applications, determine financial aid awards for all applicants, and send "award letters."
3. New handbook for four-plex residents (married student housing).
4. Fall orientation schedule.
5. Analysis of new freshman class on an individual basis considering special needs and abilities.
6. Develop plan for Dormitory Resident Assistants' training session.
7. Decide where to house a projected 180 single students with a dorm capacity of 124, and notify upperclassmen affected.
8. Completely revise College Work-Study Program and make job assignments.
9. Create forms for: Christian Service reports and permanent records, financial aid that students receive from churches, other financial aid forms and letters.
10. Write class syllabi for fall courses including course outline. Decide on texts for fall classes.
11. Begin work on policies and procedures manual for the entire financial aids program.
12. Complete assignments made relative to self-study for accreditation.

By the time this reaches you, we will probably be well into the school year. At this point we anticipate a record enrollment which may near the 200 mark! To date (July 24), we have 81 applications compared to 71 at this time last year, and we are expecting over 100 students to return from last year's student body! We are tooling up for a great academic year, and we sincerely seek your supportive prayers.

Help!!

The following article appeared just one year ago and had little response. We hope that this rerun will challenge YOU.

FELLOW ALUMNI: The ALERT wants to live up to its name. Help us represent you as we promote NCC.

1. You can keep us informed of news events in your area. Are you (or someone near you) having a revival or other special event? Let us know!! If you had one, tell us how it turned out. Area rallies are of special interest. Have one, and tell us.

2. Write an article for the ALERT. Make it long enough to fill a column (about 400 words). We won't promise to use every article, but we know a lot of you have a real message for fellow alumni, and the ability to put it on paper. Share it. It might be a short study on a text, or how you accomplished some task in your church or area. Did you have good fund raising drive? Are you reaching folk with a good calling program? Tell us how you did it. We're all looking for ideas of how to do a better job for Christ. Send along a sharp, contrasty picture to illustrate your article if you can. Don't worry about the size; we'll blow it up or reduce it to fit available space.

3. If you have a suggestion for improving this paper (or the College!) send it in. We'll use what we can, and if an idea ought to be referred to someone else, we'll do it. Whatever you write, keep it constructive.

The ALERT ought to be interesting and attractive enough that you will be waiting for the next issue. It ought to stimulate your thinking. It ought to ALERT you to the needs of the College, and the cause of Christ in general. It should motivate you to respond to those needs. It ought to stir your interest in what's happening on campus. It ought to warm your heart, and lead you to encourage young Christians to consider NCC as the college of their choice. A big order? ALERT accepts the challenge!

The Guy B. Dunning Memorial

Biblical Lectureship

The first lectureship will be held on NCC campus October 6-7, 1980. The speaker this year will be a Timothy of Mr. Dunning, Roger Carstensen originally from Neligh, Nebraska. Roger is now President of the Institute for Biblical Renewal at Athens, Georgia.

He will be speaking Monday evening, October 6 and three messages on Tuesday--morning, afternoon and evening. The theme will be, "The Redeeming Christ in the Old Testament." Roger is a multi-talented person--composes his own music and has given piano concerts, is a highly capable writer and humorist and is a most entertaining storyteller in addition to his preaching. Dwaine Dunning and Roger will be giving a short concert Tuesday evening on their violins.

We hope several of the alumni will come and bring church folk to hear one or more of these lectures.

Deeper Life Crusade

Roger Thomas - Champaign, Illinois, minister of Windsor Road Christian Church.

Author of several young adult quarterlies published by Standard.

September 9-11

8 p.m. services open to public.

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Parents Day. October 2
Guy B. Dunning Memorial
Lectureship. October 6-8
National Missionary Convention
Springfield, IL. . . Oct. 28-30

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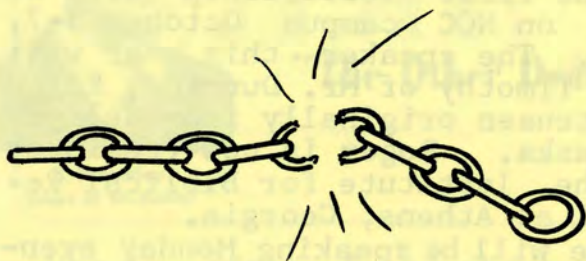
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Set Free . . . to Serve -- Gal. 5.13

Nebraska Christian Evangelizing

Association Update

The kick off for the initiatory meeting of the Nebraska Christian Evangelizing Association is:

SATURDAY

SEPTEMBER 27, 1980

12:00-3:00 P.M.

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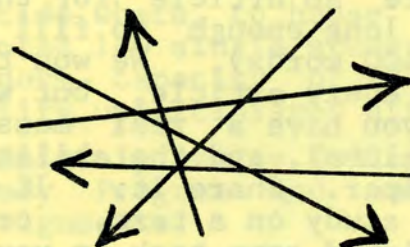
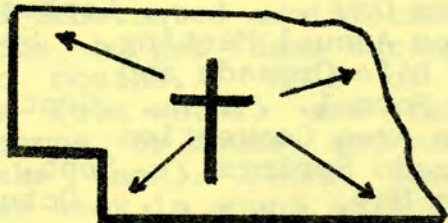
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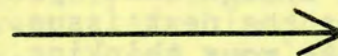
The guest speaker is Charles Johnson, Evangelist-at-Large of the Christian Evangelistic Mission, Ankeny, Iowa.

Everyone is invited to attend who is interested in new church evangelism.



Confusion?

It may look like confusion, but this is a picture of the average faculty-staff member at NCC during the summer. We each have many roles here at the College. Our regular duties plus preaching, teaching, V.B.S., Sunday School, tours, conventions, camps, and vacations. Don't take this article wrong though. We are not complaining, we're just happy that through the means of many areas of work we can help train your young person for a life of true direction in Jesus Christ.



Applications are UP for the fall term. Praise God that Christian workers are being trained to train others for His Kingdom.

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LET'S ALL PULL TOGETHER

The Alert

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October, 1980

Prayer Concerns

"DAD" BOOKS was called home recently after a painful and difficult summer. He'll be sorely missed on campus and at the dorm. His wife Ardith will continue as Dorm "Mom".

PROFESSOR RALPH JOHNSON suffered a mild heart attack in September, and must rest for two months. The faculty are sharing his classes.

YOUR PRAYERS are requested in these and other such circumstances.

Alumni Project

Early this year the Alumni undertook the purchase of a new videotape system for use in Homiletics, Sports, Promotion and wherever such needs arise. We know you're wondering where we stand financially on this, so we'll tell you. The cost was \$2,200. We still owe \$953.60. So, Alumni, let's dig down and get this beautiful item paid for!



DENNIS FULTON, speaker for Career Days, ministers to Chapel Rock Christian Church, Indianapolis.

"Please God, help the Bible Colleges"



The Editor's Letter

A great year is well under way for Nebraska Christian College. As you probably already know, we have a record enrollment at the college this year. 208 students enrolled with a record 205 still with us at this time. But we cannot be content with this: we still need to work for the Lord's Kingdom and each of us has an important role with the college. Our best recruiters are still our students, and I believe that you, the alumni, are our second best recruiters. We need your help; and November 13 - 14 is one of the opportunities that you have in helping the college. Career Days are exciting days at the college--young people preaching, singing, fellowshiping, making new acquaintances, etc., etc.; and it's all possible because people like you encourage young people to attend Career Days.

As past students, and now as workers in the Kingdom, you are in contact every week with young people who are needing help from you to give them direction in their lives. Dennis Fulton will challenge them from God's Word, Ron McConkey will challenge them with his enthusiasm, and the kitchen staff will tempt them with rolls and good food.

We are expecting a great two days as you challenge young people to attend NCC CAREER DAYS, November 13-14. Better yet, why not take two days and bring a load of young people to the college?

See ya' then!

In Christian Love,
Carl

Urgencies and Essentials

DWAINE DUNNING, Sioux Falls, S.D., told recently in his Midweek Reminder, of a sign on an electric hand-drier in a Canadian washroom: "Push Button for Speech by Trudeau." From now till Nov. 4 similar signs (with different names) might well appear across the United States.

The real point of Dwaine's article, however, was a statement by Canada's prime minister. "Politics," said Trudeau, "deals with urgencies, not essentials." This applies also to religion, and the day-to-day busyness of church leaders. Dwaine observes: "Far too often our attention is so devoted to urgencies, to emergencies, that we have no time left for essentials! We must deal with, so to speak, the stopped-up drains, the leaky roofs, the people whose noses are out of joint or who let other things get in the way of spiritual health, and generally manage to blame everyone but themselves for their troubles. . . ."

A preacher friend of mine, formerly an elder and businessman, was sold on the church, and prepared himself in Bible College for the pulpit. By his own admission he had greater opportunity to really serve the Lord as an elder, for now he spends all his time "greasing the machinery" (the urgencies) of the church, and has no time for the essentials, for which he was trained.

For you who are preachers, a good look at Eph. 4:11-12ff might move you to train and equip men to whom the "urgencies" might be delegated, leaving you free to be a minister of the Word.

Those serving in other capacities might peek at the same text. Where do you fit into this picture of the leadership equipping the membership for a task of service? H. Fox



Send both old & new address including ZIP.

Why People Come to Church

WHY DO PEOPLE visit a church for the first time? The Lookout, dated August 17, 1980, p. 12, cites these statistics quoted by Dr. Win Arn, Director of the Institute for American Church Growth, Pasadena, CA.

Those who just walk in	3-4%
Attracted by church program	2-4%
Like the preaching	2-4%
Those with some special need	2-3%
Door-to-door calling campaign	1-2%
Attracted by Sunday School	3-5%
Mass evangelistic crusade	.0001%

(I suspect an error here. I'm not defending the crusade, but this is one ten thousandth of one percent, which figures out to one person per million who attends a church for the first time!! Could it be that low?) Brought by friend or relative 70-90%

I wouldn't discourage any means of attracting even 1 or 2% to meetings of the church; but these statistics make it obvious that what it boils down to is this: the most effective tool for evangelism is YOU!!!

Many of you who read this are preachers, elders, teachers and other leaders in your local church. You need to know that it isn't programs but PEOPLE who bring people to the church house, and thus eventually, to Christ.

So the logical thing for you to do is sit down and make a list of people you know (friends or enemies--you're supposed to love both)--they may be relatives, neighbors, people you work with--who need the fellowship of the church. Pray over that list, then invite them to go with you to church next Sunday morning. And the next, and the next, and the next, until they do. --Harold Fox



Article from
Jim Ewing's
Church Paper

Christian Education Exposition

HOUSE CHURCHES
by STEVE CHARLTON

Shades Mountain Christian Church will again use the HOUSE CHURCH concept for mid-week services. The Education Department of your church can give at least 3 advantages of meeting in House Churches as compared to a central meeting at the church building:

EVANGELICAL - Residents of the neighborhood where the House Church is located will be more comfortable in the informal atmosphere of the home, and it will be easier to witness to the unchurched in the smaller group discussions. Additionally, when the person attends regular worship services he will be familiar to his house church congregation and feel "accepted" at his initial visit to the Sunday services.

EDUCATIONAL -- House Churches provide an "on-the-job-training" for teachers or leaders. Informal groups which encourage discussion and participation let persons to rise to leadership through study and prayer. More house churches will require more leaders or "pastors"; it would be ideal for each group to divide and start additional groups.

ECONOMICAL - Rather than considering our "scattered" locations as a liability to justify non-attendance at mid-week services, we can use our "scattered locations" to save energy and time. Our blessing of the various areas of residence lends itself to the multi-house church concept. Certainly if we lived within walking distance of our church building, our house church concept would not be as appropriate.

As a church body, the last 2 advantages were achieved. It is the opinion of the Education Department that introducing the Good News and encouraging association with the Body of Believers through the House Church can be improved.

Please attend and support the House Church in your area. You will bless the church with your presence, and you will receive a blessing from your attendance.

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In January we changed from a Wednesday night Bible study at the church building to a "house church" concept. Various homes were opened for the purpose of Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. The locations were in the various areas where the church folks live. There were four areas and we tried to put it so that 5 - 6 families lived in these areas. We selected a central location and used only one location for the Teen Bible study. We do not offer anything specific for the children except as each house church works it out. This usually just involves around the children having a fun time and possibly part of prayer time.

I am enclosing a copy of our church paper where one of the elders ex-

pressed what he believed to be the advantages.

I pray that the idea might keep inspiring us to keep in His Word and in fellowship with each other. The various ideas to making this a workable opportunity is only limited by home layout itself and willingness of house pastors to try new approaches to study and prayer. The house pastor does NOT have to be the man that lives where the house church meetings are. Many like to use their homes for study but do not wish to be the leader. Others want to study but do not have large enough homes to make the concept workable. This way everyone has a part in God's work. The same is true if you would choose to have refreshments.

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NCEA is Under Way!

About 60 Christians met at Lexington Sept. 27 to organize Nebraska Christian Evangelizing Association whose purpose is to start new churches and help struggling congregations.

Eleven Directors were chosen, an offering of \$2,701.40 was received, and \$9,488 were committed. A full-time evangelist will be called when commitments warrant that step.

Directors include men from both NCC and PVBC. Questions about NCEA may be addressed to Dick Wamsley of NCC or any of the other Directors.

(Continued next column)

Pray for this effort; and if your interests are in this area, get in touch and make a commitment.

Coming Events

MAJOR EVENTS for the rest of the year need to be planned in advance. We hope this mini-calendar will help you plan your next trip to NCC. Note CHANGE OF DATE on ALUMNI DAYS.

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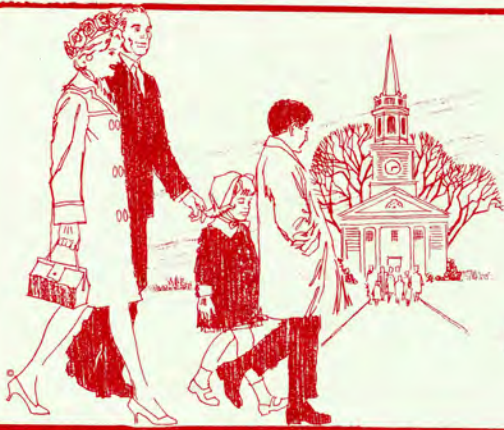
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Romaine Reports



We have something new in the college kitchen, the convection ovens that we have been needing for some time.

The ovens came and were installed the second week in October.

They are used every day

for baking either meat, rolls, bread, cookies or whatever. When I speak of ovens, I must tell you there are two. They stack one on top of the other, therefore they do not take up much floor space.

The ovens are heated with a fan in the back of each. The fan continually moves the hot air across the food, and each rack bakes equally. The ovens are saving us time and energy (electricity). An example:

The sweet rolls were baked each day in our conventional at 350° for 25 minutes. Now, we bake at 300° for 12 minutes, and as many as 5 pans at once.

Our savings are in labor and clock hours, as well as energy.

I want to thank those of you who are contributing money to help pay for the ovens. The cost is \$3,500. At this writing we have received \$1,021, having a balance of \$2,479. This would be a good project for

a women's group. I'm not suggesting you fellows do not know much about ovens; I just think women use them more.

When you come visit the campus, we will be glad to show you the ovens and why they are so vital to our institution, and be most happy to serve you a warm roll.

The one who might serve you is Catherine Schnebel. She is volunteering her time to serve the roll window this year.

Catherine worked in the cafeteria a few years ago, and left because of health problems. She has a warm and friendly smile for the students. We are thankful she is willing to share her time.

Doris Orris has been employed with us since 1972. She prepares our noon meals and mixes the rolls. She is a dedicated worker and well liked by all. One of the students is always asking her what she is making today.

Helen Carlson began work in the cafeteria when we moved to our present location. She prepares the evening meals and serves the students with the help of some students. In the afternoon you will find her rolling out the rolls.

Phoebe Fox is the one that prepares the eggs sunny-side up, scrambled, boiled or omelet, early in the mornings. A smile and a witty remark help the student start the day. Phoebe is working with us for the second year.

It takes many hands to prepare and serve. This is our ministry to the students.

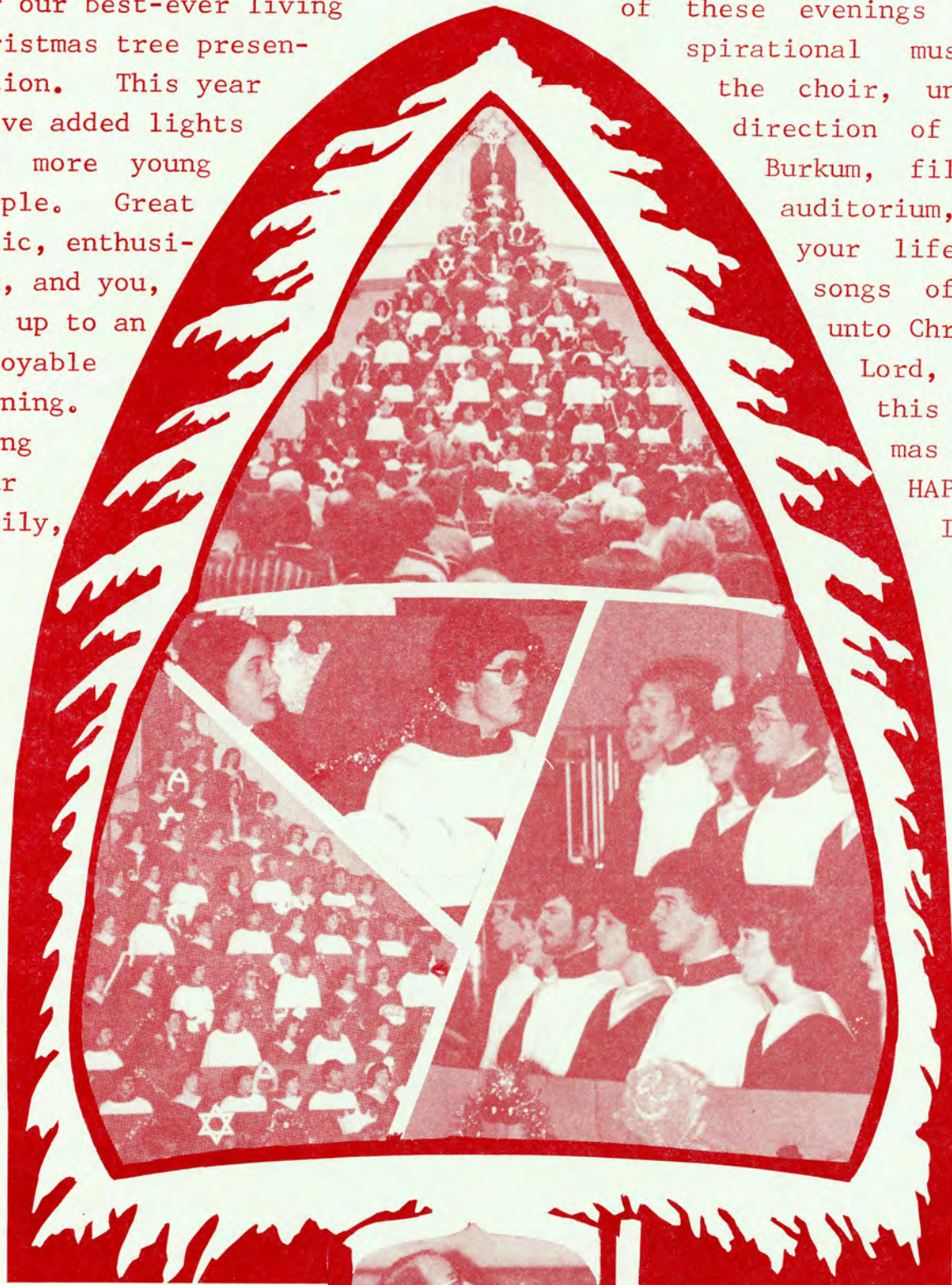
Romaine Daniels
Dietician

The staff of the Alert and the faculty & staff of NCC wish
you and yours a merry Christmas and a prosperous new year.

The Living Christmas Tree

This will be the third year for our best-ever living Christmas tree presentation. This year we've added lights and more young people. Great music, enthusiasm, and you, add up to an enjoyable evening. Bring your family,

a friend or two, and enjoy one of these evenings of inspirational music as the choir, under the direction of Lowell Burkum, fills the auditorium, and your life with songs of praise unto Christ our Lord, during this Christmas season. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!



N.C.C. Alumni Hall
December 9, 10
8 P.M.



Merry Christmas
from
the music department

ADVANCED EDUCATION SEMINAR on NEBRASKA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE CAMPUS

Presented by CINCINNATI CHRISTIAN SEMINARY

Friday, February 13 - 1:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Saturday, February 14 - 8:30 am - 12:30 pm



Dr. William Bravard

Assistant Dean
and

Professor of Practical Theology

Dr. Bravard received his A.B., Th.B., and B.D. degrees from Cincinnati Bible Seminary. His M.A. and Ph.D degrees (both in adult education) from Indiana University. He has been Academic Dean and professor of Christian Education at Atlanta Christian College before going to CCS. Dr. Bravard has ministered with a number of churches in different situations...Small churches to larger ones, from new churches to established ones, both city and rural churches, and in multiple staff ministries not only as an associate but also as senior minister.

Course: "ADULT EDUCATION"

This seminar looks at the problems and needs of adults, giving suggestions on how these may be met through the Sunday School and other church related programs. Particular attention will be given to methods of getting adults more actively involved in the learning process and leadership roles of the church.

COST

One may audit the seminar, or take it for graduate academic credit. (In the latter case there will be outside assignments to be completed.) The fees are as follows:

Non-credit \$12.50

Non-credit (college juniors & seniors) 6.25

Graduate credit (one hour) 45.00

Graduate credit (college seniors only) 22.50

Those desiring a copy of the credit assignments in advance may write to Dr. William Bravard, Cincinnati Christian Seminary, 2700 Glenway Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45204.

HOUSING

The College will provide housing in the dormitory and faculty homes. It would be wise to bring along your own bedroll.

Send registration to: Loren T. Swedburg, Dean, NCC, Box 919, Norfolk, NE 68701

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Area Alumni Reunion

Saturday, March 21, 1980 will be the date of an area alumni reunion to be held at the Fort Street Church in Omaha. We hope to have more information to print concerning this reunion in our February edition. We appreciate these reunions and hope to see more of them held.

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From the Editor

I know that the "November" Thanksgiving season is past. But it's never too late to once again say thank you to Ila Henning for the typing and Harold Fox for the layout and printing of this very high quality, well-circulated, intelligently-read, and expertly edited, edition of this fine Alert. From the three of us to all of you.

Ila Belle
Harold
Carl

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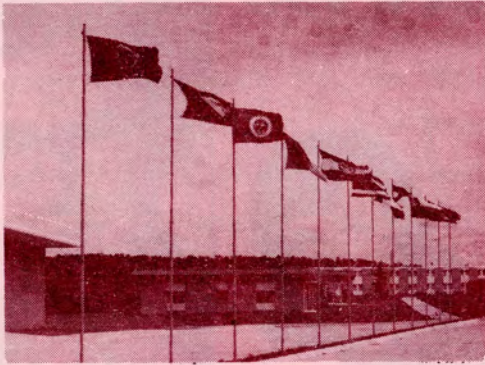
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Who?

John Epperson (1966 graduate) will be the featured banquet speaker.

Graduates from the years 1951, 61 & 71 will comprise most of the teachers for the day.

What?

ALUMNI DAYS!



When?

April 7-8

Banquet at 6:30, followed by alumni basketball at the college. Classes at 8:00, 9:00, 10:00 & 11:00 taught by alumni. Dinner at noon furnished by the college. A short business meeting will be held. Choir concert at 1:00.

Where?

Banquet Tuesday evening at First Christian Church. Cost is \$4.50. Return enclosed card by April 1 for reservations.

Also,

This year we want to recognize some of our alumni for outstanding achievements. We need your help in letting us know who did what. Send a note to "Alert", Box 919, Norfolk, NE 68701.

And More?

YES!! Convention starts Wednesday night at 7:30 with Alger Fitch, Pacific Bible Seminary; and Richard Bourne, who will have several workshops on "Successful Mission program in Local Churches."

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NCC FACULTY?

We hope to see some of these people at an exciting ALUMNI DAYS!!!



Alumni Reunion AT FORT STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH, OMAHA:

DATE: Saturday, March 21, 1981.

AFTERNOON SESSION: 2:00 p.m. Visiting Time. No planned activity. A table will be set up for albums, pictures, annuals, 'relics', etc., anyone might want to bring for display.

SUPPER: 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. A soup and sandwich supper served on a staggered schedule for Alumni to come and go at will. Offering will be taken.

EVENING SESSION: 6:30 p.m. Current reports from the College along with a team to represent the school. We also hope to have some Alumni groups perform during this time.



Moving? Keep us informed!
Give us both old and new
address, including ZIP!

Coaches' Clinic Added to Bible Bowl

On Saturday, March 14, at 10:00 a.m., NCC will conduct a 1-hour Bible-Bowl-Sponsors' session. The hour will be divided into three distinct topics for discussion. They are: "How to Start a Bible Bowl Team", "How to Keep a Bible Bowl Team Going", and "My Problem is . . ." We'll have speakers who have exhibited success in these areas leading the discussions. We're urging Churches interested in Bible Bowl to have a representative present for this informative hour on Bible Bowl.

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"Twenty-one in Eighty-one"

Prov. 29:18 says, "Without a vision the people perish." The NCC Student Body has a great vision for 1981. Its Missions Committee ("Sandy" Sandell, faculty sponsor), envisions 21 mission interns on the field this summer.

That's a big order, but these students have a habit of coming through. In the fall semester of 1979, they set a missions offering goal of \$4,000, and surpassed it. Last spring's semester goal was \$4,500. Yes, they made it. Their 1980 fall semester's goal was \$5,000. Again they came through with a surplus.

TWELVE STUDENTS spent last summer in internships, some with churches and others on mission fields such as SAND Seminar among the Navajos, and Outreach International. And they came back filled with enthusiasm!!

CHUCK ALEXANDER did hospital calling, survey work, street witnessing, etc., with Outreach International. He says "Of all the things that happened last summer, the best was coming to understand that there are people all around us who need Jesus."

BRENDA SMITH worked in Arizona on the Navajo Reservation. She learned to adapt to a people whose ways are different. She says, "My internship was a thrilling experience... I feel much more prepared to serve God in a different culture."

DAVE HALL, a minister intern at Footville, Wis., commented: "Greatest summer I've ever had. I received more responsibility than I ever had before, which made me grow a lot."

OTHERS of last year's summer interns would tell much the same story. Some are going back next summer, and other new ones are already committed to a summer internship this coming summer.

KAY OLSON is raising support to go to West Germany. She visited there in 1979, and has a burden for the souls of the German people. She will work with an established missionary, teaching children, helping in adult Bible studies, and doing street witnessing.

LINDA SEVERSON will spend the summer on the Navajo Reservation (SAND Seminar). Her home church has committed itself to her support. Linda has the added burden of two small boys; she's confident the experience will be good.

ALUMNI, PLEASE be in prayer for these young people and their vision of service. Then put your money where your prayers are, and help them. The Missions Committee here at NCC will be delighted to hear from you!

SPEAKING OF MISSIONS, our Missions professor, Harlan Sandell, is a great inspiration to these students, and to the whole school. Pray that NCC may be able to keep him (or someone like him) on the faculty, to teach and encourage missions. Without a vision, schools can perish, too! --Harold Fox

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From the Editor

When I returned to the college 4 years ago to become a full-time employee for the college, I also returned wanting to become more involved with the Alumni and the various projects that we have instituted. I do not claim to be an editor, even though I try and I am not a business manager, but I am aware of the fact that as alumni we have taken on various projects and then we start another, leaving the balance of the bill to be paid by the general fund. As alumni, I like to think that we are the leaders of the school and if we don't do a good job of leading, how can others do a good job of following?

We have done a pretty good job as alumni with our projects but we have failed in not paying our bill. Listed are the last five projects that we have taken on, the cost of the project and what we as alumni still owe. As you can see, our project, 5 items ago, (and about 5 years ago) is very much in arrears. How about your help in clearing our name with the business manager?

	<u>COST</u>	<u>UNPAID</u>
Video Equipment	\$2532.79	\$ 520.60
Ron's Display	427.51	----
Envelope feeder	1665.00	----
Swedburg's trip	2298.00	358.50
Bleachers	6730.00	2894.85

This amounts to a \$3773.95 indebtedness in the past 5 years. What do you say, Alumni? Let's clear this up by the next issue of the Alert. Sponsor an area alumni meeting, send a check, send cash, sell a cow, whatever, let's pay the bill. --Carl Brandt

NCC CONVENTION – April 9-10



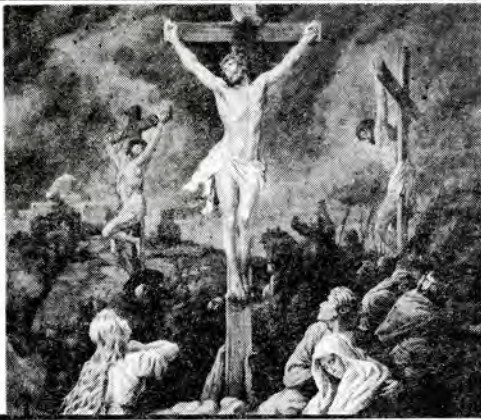
Alger Fitch

Brother Alger Fitch will be returning to NCC for another speaking assignment to the delight of many of our friends who heard him a few years ago.

Brother Fitch is an outstanding preacher of the Word and a popular convention speaker. He is a graduate of Northwest Christian College, Phillips University, University of Southern California, and Claremont School of Theology. His ministries have been primarily in the California and Oregon area. He has served as professor of New Testament at Northwest Christian College since 1968. In the summer of 1978 he began teaching at Pacific Christian College.

Mr. Fitch will be speaking on the following Themes:

- "Set Free by Christ"
- "Set Free to Serve"
- "Set Free to Save"
- "Set Free to Stay"
- "Set Free at Calvary"



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THINGS ARE HAPPENING!

Many activities and programs and projects and student involvements and steps of faith and on and on are happening here at the college. The Alert is proved to be a part of this busy place called Nebraska Christian College.

Things happening on campus include the building of an 8-plex, two bedroom apartments on the northwest corner of the campus. The construction classes (carpentry, electrical, plumbing, masonry, tin workers) of the Technical College are doing the constructing. They have done us a very nice job.

The college has given an architectural firm the contract to draw basic blueprints and front elevations of a new library building. This building, to be hopefully built in 1982, will include a 60,000-volume library, two or three classrooms, an audio-visual room, an archives room, and offices for at least two professors.

Speaking of professors, the college board has announced that the school will be hiring three additional faculty members next fall. A great step forward for the school as she continues to grow, and as she continues to train preachers.

Applications for next year are 37% ahead of last year. The student body is largely responsible for this

as many of our students are making phone calls and writing letters to prospective students.

New students on campus will be greeted by new dorm parents Harold & Phoebe Fox. "Mom" Books will be dorm mom at the new 8-plex.

Accreditation teams are on campus this week visiting the professors, faculty, students, and classrooms. A lot of work has gone into this program, but we think it's very important and a necessary part of our future.

Last week, 38 teams competed in our biggest, best ever, Bible Bowl Tournament.

Out of room but not out of things to do at N.C.C. See you all April 7-10, Alumni Days & Convention.

Alumni Banquet

Some of you are going to miss out because you haven't sent in a reservation. There is still time. Pick up the phone, call 1-402-371-5960 TODAY and reserve a plate of delicious food for \$4.50. A great evening is planned with John Epperson speaking, Ron McConkey telling jokes, and some new ideas for another alumni project. Oh, yes, we may even hold an auction that night; plans are still in the making. There will be a door prize given away. Let's make this supper the biggest alumni gathering yet. See you April 7 at 6:30 at First Christian Church!

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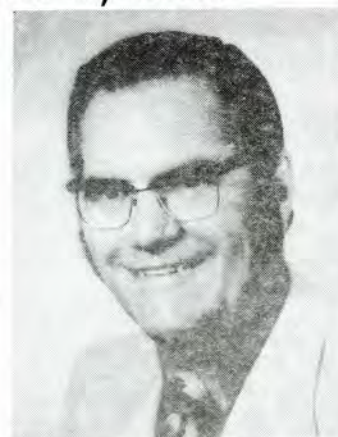
Richard Bourne

Tuesday, April 7

6:30 PM Alumni Banquet at
First Christian Church
8:00 PM Alumni Basketball game
Alumni Hall

Wednesday, April 8

8 - 12AM Alumni teach classes
Noon - Alumni luncheon (free) and
business meeting



Alger Fitch

Wednesday, April 8 - Convention begins

7:30 PM - Alger Fitch, "SET FREE BY CHRIST"

Thursday, April 9 - Breakfast

8:00 AM - Alger Fitch, "SET FREE TO SERVE"

9:45 - 11:15 AM Workshops

"BASICS IN ESTATE PLANNING" - Harold B. Milliken

"NEW CHURCH EVANGELISM AND THE NCEA" - Richard Wamsley

2:00 PM - Richard Bourne, "THE TASK BEFORE US"

3:15 - 4:30 PM Workshops

"CHRISTIAN WITNESSING THROUGH CRAFTS IN THE HOME"

- Mrs. Alan Shermer

"DISCLOSURE AND EXPLANATION OF NCC'S FINANCIAL OPERATION"

- Allen Boelter

7:30 PM - Alger Fitch, "SET FREE TO SAVE"

Friday, April 10

8:00 AM - Breakfast - Alger Fitch, "SET FREE TO STAY"

9:30 AM - Richard Bourne, "DISCOVERING A CHURCH'S ROLE
IN MISSIONS"

10:45 - 11:45 AM - Talmage Pace, "NEW CHURCH PLANTING -
CHRISTIAN CHURCH EXTENSION FOUNDATION"

2:00 PM - Richard Bourne, "A MISSIONS WORLD VIEW FOR THE
LOCAL CHURCH"

3:15 - 4:30 PM Workshops (repeated)

"BASICS IN ESTATE PLANNING"

"NEW CHURCH EVANGELISM AND THE NCEA"

7:30 PM - Alger Fitch, "SET FREE AT CALVARY"

NAVAJO CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

Need Small Travel Trailers

Harlan "Sandy" Sandell (Missions Prof.) is looking for small travel trailers that people have and would be willing to give to Navajo Christian Churches to use during the summers to house interns. There are 4 NCC students already going to work in Navajoland this summer, and several more students would like to go if we had facilities to house them. Because of the vastness of the reservation, small trailers are needed as we move to a different area of the reservation every week. These trailers should be in fair to good condition. We would be able to give you a receipt for tax deduction purposes. If you have such a trailer that you would like to donate to this work, please contact Mr. Sandell at NCC. With your help, we can get more students into internships this summer.

Alumni Reunion

An area Alumni Reunion was held at Fort St. Christian Church in Omaha on Saturday, March 22. Joyspring from NCC presented special music and Dean Swedburg showed slides taken at NCC over the years.

Mr. & Mrs. Ken Enders and Mr. & Mrs. Larry Tidyman organized the reunion and did a splendid job. We appreciate our alumni and their efforts in promoting their alma mater.

Dean Swedburg gave an update of future plans at NCC. We encourage alumni to organize get-togethers such as this and contact the college to provide current news.

MOHANDAS K. GHANDI

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Things That Will Destroy Us

Politics without principles

Pleasure without conscience

Wealth without work

Knowledge without character

Business without morality

Science without humanity

Worship without sacrifice

ALUMNUS DONATES JEEP



Ernel Henry came to N.C.C. from Jamaica, British West Indies. He is now teaching at Topeka High School, Topeka, Ks. Each summer he returns to Jamaica and works in four area churches.

The jeep that is pictured above is a gift from Ernel to the college. The maintenance crew thanks him very much for a very useful means of transportation on campus.

We are proud of this alumnus and his gift to the college.

Adopt A Graduate!

LAST FALL 21 ALUMNI agreed to "adopt" a 1981 graduate. But that's only about half enough! So how about YOU adding your name to the list?

The object is to buy his/her ticket to the Alumni Banquet Tuesday, April 7. The price is \$4.50. Send it now with your own reservation (or by itself, if you can't come!) What a great way to get them involved, NOW, in Alumni activities, by inviting them--and paying their way--to this banquet, just as they approach their own graduation!

WE'RE PROUD that NCC is graduating 41 seniors this year. NCC is forging ahead while a lot of schools are losing ground. We've got a dynamic forward-looking Faculty and Board of Directors. We have the largest-ever student body, a fine group of dedicated young people. Applications are running about 37% ahead of this time last year. Let's all keep boosting Nebraska Christian College!

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NACC

July 7-10, 1981

LOUISVILLE, KY

NCC Booth 240

"I'm going to the Convention.
Are you?"



Coming Events

Alumni Days	April	7-8
Convention	April	8-10
Spring Break	April	16-20
Mission Banquet	April	22nd
VBS Clinic	April	30th
Graduation	May	15th
Pastoral Counseling Seminar	May	18-20
New Way Singers	June	7-21

If I Ever Get Around To It . . .

THAT'S THE STORY of my life. How many plans I've made! How many things I've wanted to do! There was the fellow I wanted to talk to about the Lord. I felt he would be really receptive . . . But I never got around to it, and he left town, . . . or died! Now it's too late!

I've intended for a long time to write some articles for Christian publications. The topics were important and timely . . . But I've not got around to it. I could go on and on and on

Maybe you have the same problem. A lot of people have. Well, I think I may have the answer. You see, this short article was in the same category. I've been intending to write it. The only reason you're reading it now is that I finally got around to it.

If you would like to get a round tuit, but haven't got one, just cut out the circle at the right and tack it on the wall, or keep it on your desk, or paste it on a piece of cardboard the same size, and carry it in your pocket. It's just what you've always wanted to get--A ROUND TUIT!

A Round
TUIT



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The Alert

Published by Nebraska Christian College Alumni Association

August, 1981

Come Spend FOUNDERS' DAY With Us!

URGENT! URGENT! Special Project to Honor Long-Time Faculty Members!

In 1973 you Alumni sent the Millikens to the Holy Land, to celebrate the President's 25 years of service to Nebraska Christian College.

In 1978, Mr. Swedburg completed 25 years with NCC, and you send Mr. and Mrs. Swedburg to Russia.

This year, 1981, marks the completion of 25 years with NCC for professors Ralph Johnson and Melva Swedburg.

A special service of recognition is being planned for Founders' Day, September 7 this year, at which Brother Johnson will be presented with a tape copier, plus cash (Mr. Johnson, as you know, tapes messages and special music at most college functions and makes them available to all who want copies). On the same occasion Mrs. Swedburg will be presented with a trip to Hawaii. Both have rendered great service to Christ, and it is our privilege to so honor them.



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

1. We're asking you for a special, generous gift. We need a total of \$2500. Use the enclosed envelope.

2. Please write Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Swedburg a letter of appreciation. You'll want to express thanks for their faithful service, update them on what you are doing, etc. When you sign the letter, please indicate the year(s) you attended NCC. You may mail the letter with your check or separately, but mail them TO NCC, not to the honorees themselves. You see, it's to be a surprise!

These letters will be permanently bound into a Book of Memories, and presented to Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Swedburg; so write them on 8½x11 paper, and leave wide margins, for the binding and trimming. And make a special effort to come to the Founders' Day Program & Reception!

25th Anniversary Committee
Frank Zimmerman, Chairman

Founders' Day Program

9:00 am Coffee Hour in Cafeteria
10:00 am Mini-Enthusiastics Concert
Noon Alumni will Meet-N-Eat
2:00 pm Afternoon Service
25th Anniversary presentation
by Board and Alumni*
Speaker: Sherman Sack**
Reception for Mrs. Swedburg
and Mr. Johnson

* See Anniversary article at left
** See NCEA article

BOOST NEBRASKA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE!

Ketcherside to Speak for Dunning Lectureship



W. CARL KETCHERSIDE is speaker for the 1981 Guy B. Dunning Lectureship, combined with the Deeper Life Crusade, Wed. & Thurs., Oct. 7-8. Two-hour sessions will be held Wed. evening, and Thurs. morning, afternoon and evening. The

theme will be "An Exposition of the Book of Ephesians."

Brother Ketcherside edited Mission Messenger for 37 years, has written 32 books, has spoken at the NACC and at numerous Bible Colleges including NCC. He is in great demand by many Christian groups as he zeros in on his favorite theme of fellowship and unity of all obedient believers.

If you have any interest in this subject (and you should!), mark this lectureship on your calendar, and make it a point not to miss it!



Coming Events

- Sep. 29-Oct. 1 Western Area Convention, Gering, NE
- Oct. 7- 8 Guy B. Dunning Lectureship & Deeper Life Crus.
- Oct. 22-23 Career Days
- Dec. 8- 9 Christmas Concert
- Jan. 5 Classes begin, 2nd Sem.



ANYPLACE
you move,
we need
your old
and new
address--
with Zip!

"Go to the Ant!"

EDMUND BURKE ONCE SAID, "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." When good men do nothing, violence is epidemic, lawlessness increases, family life decays, corruption in government prevails, pollution, ignorance and disease take over society.

TODAY THE NEED is greater than ever before for gospel preaching, church planting, Christian teaching, youth ministry, Christian care for the sick, underprivileged, aging, and other unfortunates. In spite of militant opposition, doors are open for both Christian example and Christian witness all over the world.

BUT AS LONG as good people--yes, good Christian people--do nothing, these needs will go unmet, and, not only will millions now living die without Christ, but the world will sink deeper and deeper into ignorance and spiritual death, from which it will be harder and harder to retrieve them.

YOU NOT ONLY KNOW this is true, but you have the answer, the gospel of Christ. So often we think, "I'm so helpless; my feeble efforts would be so fruitless; I'm so unskilled and ill-equipped. What could I do?" You forget that you are a member (organ!) in Christ's Body, and He cannot fail!

HE CAN NO LONGER afford the doubtful luxury of childish jealousy and division, the false humility of the "poor little ole me" attitude, or plain and simple refusal to get on with the job He gave us to do!

I'LL CLOSE with a story. A golf ball landed in an ant hill. The unskilled golfer swung wildly and repeatedly at the ball, succeeding only in demolishing the ant-hill and decimating its inhabitants. At last one ant said to another, "Brother, if we're going to survive, we'd better get on the ball!" Brethren, let's get on the ball! --HF



A Mutual Need

I'm for Good, Clean Humor!

Last May we heard a re-run of an old "Fibber McGee & Molly" program. All clean, hilarious humor. They're doing some re-runs of other old radio programs, and I'm all for it. Let's encourage a return to this sort of programming.

Today, media humor has to smell like smut or it won't sell. Ethnic jokes are out, and that's good. Jokes about Poles, Blacks, Jews or Irishmen are understandably offensive to them.

So what about "jokes" that offend us Christians? They're offensive to a lot of other people too, people who don't think sex, nudity and profane language ought to be treated as subject matter for comedy.

Radio, TV and newspapers take notice when people tell them how they feel. They know that, for every reader or listener who is moved enough to say so, hundreds more are equally offended. Make known your feelings of outrage to local stations, networks and advertisers. Your efforts will bear fruit. If you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem!

Harold Fox

NCEA Update

The Nebraska Christian Evangelizing Association Board of Directors has called SHERMAN SACK as its evangelist. A '71 graduate of OBC, he has served churches in Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska. He will work with a new congregation in Holdrege. NCEA needs your financial support.

Alumni Officers for 1981-82

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Ass't Editor . Harold Fox

School Opens Soon

By the time you read this, the first day of school will be but days away! If you have young people (in either your home or your church) who will be coming to Nebraska Christian College, you will want to take note of the following dates:

- *Aug. 16 Dorm open to freshmen
- *Aug. 17 Freshman registration
Dorm open to upper class
- *Aug. 18 Upper class registration
Same dates, Orientation
- *Aug. 19 Classes begin

If incoming students will follow the schedule outlined here, their enrollment should proceed smoothly.

Change of Dorm Parents

Last spring's completion of the 8-plex has increased our dorm space by 42 beds. Mrs. Ardith Books, former Dorm Mom, has moved into one of the eight 2-bedroom apartments, and the others, originally designed for married couples, have been fitted out with six single beds each for single students.

Harold and Phoebe Fox will be "Dad & Mom" in the dormitory.

Tired of Your Preacher?

SEND COPIES of this letter to six churches in the same fix, bundle up your preacher, and send him to the last church on the list. You will receive 46,656 preachers, and one of them should be a dandy. But beware! One church broke the chain and got their old preacher back!

THE ABOVE has been appearing in the church papers, and we don't know if anyone has tried it. Surely there is a better way. Why not brag up your preacher and let him know you love him; or ask him if you can go calling with him, or go for him. You will charge up the old boy's batteries and make a new man of him!! Or he'll keel over with heart failure and you'll have to find a new one! So don't give up; the solution is with YOU, not him.

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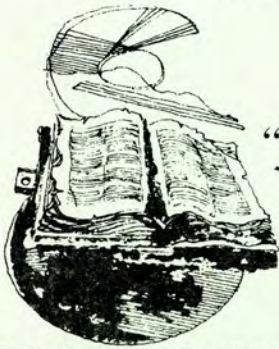
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*"Speaking The Truth
in Love . . ."*

What About Abortion?

THE BIBLE RECOGNIZES the rights of the unborn. Exodus 21:22 reads, "If men strive and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine."

Though some see this as a miscarriage, the Hebrew word for such is not used. The word for a normal child is used. The phrase, "and her fruit depart" would be, literally rendered, "and her children come out" (see margin, NASV). Some versions mislead by inserting further, or other, as "there is no further injury," though the Hebrew uses no such word. Liability is incurred if any harm ensues, to either the mother or child.

The meaning is: if two men fight, and a pregnant woman is struck, so that her child is born, but no harm follows (to mother or child), the man responsible must pay damages. The context shows that any real harm to mother or child must be avenged.

The passage refers to a normal live birth, irregular only in that it is maliciously or accidentally induced. The unborn child is regarded as fully human, with all the rights of any other human being.

Abortion is homicide (killing of a human being). Cases in which it is justifiable must be rare indeed!

For a fuller study, I'd like to recommend Jack W. Cottrell's article, "Abortion and the Mosaic Law", in Christianity Today, March 16, 1973, if you can find it. Perhaps Brother Cottrell could be persuaded to do more to make known his excellent research on this subject. --H. Fox

Dont Be a Sesquipedalian!

You may be one and not even know it! Even your best friend won't tell you! A lot of them are around, and you'll find them more often in a pulpit or around a Bible College than in the general population. So who are they?

Actually, the word means "a-foot-and-a-half." The noun refers to something a foot and a half high and most of you don't fit the description. The adjective usually describes one who likes to use long words (a foot and a half long, presumably).

If you are afflicted with this awful disease, and if you can't cure it, at least, try to control it. It isn't highly communicable; in fact it hardly communicates at all, even to other sesquipedalians. Often they don't understand even their own long words!

The purpose of the pulpit or podium is to communicate. Jesus used short, communicative words, and seemed to get his meaning across. There is no better pattern to follow. "Go thou and do likewise." --H. Fox



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THE LIVING CHRISTMAS TREE

Christmas Concert



NCC Alumni Hall, Tues. & Wed., Dec. 8 & 9, 8:00 pm.

The NCC choir has already started rehearsing for the fourth year of our best-ever living Christmas tree presentation. Last year, we added lights to the tree itself, and filled our auditorium with beautiful poinsettias and mums. This year a very special touch will be added to the decor.

Some traditional carols and some marvelous new collections will be presented by the choir under the direction of Lowell Burkum. The atmosphere and songs of praise will point your thoughts unto Christ our Lord, during this Christmas season.

Bring your family, a friend or two, and join in the celebration of our Savior's birth.

Happy Holidays
from the Music Department

"The Holy Spirit in the 20th Century"

Advanced Education Seminar

On Friday and Saturday, February 5-6, 1982, Nebraska Christian College will present an advanced education seminar on "The Holy Spirit in the Twentieth Century." The seminar is provided in cooperation with Cincinnati Christian Seminary and will be taught by Dr. Jack Cottrell, Professor of Theology at CCS.

Dr. Cottrell will discuss various issues related to the work of the Holy Spirit in the life of the church. The topics to be discussed will include the Spirit and the word in conversion, baptism in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit and the Christian life; and miraculous gifts of the spirit.

One may simply audit the seminar or take it for graduate academic credit. (In the latter case there will be outside assignments to be completed.) The fees are as follows:

Non-credit.....	\$12.50
Non-credit (College juniors and Seniors).....	6.25
Graduate credit.....	50.00
Graduate credit (College seniors only).....	25.00

Those desiring a copy of the credit assignments in advance may write to Dr. Jack Cottrell, Cincinnati Christian Seminary, 2700 Glenway Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45204.

The seminar will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Friday (Feb. 5) and will conclude at 12:30 p.m. Saturday (Feb. 6).

For further information about the seminar contact Loren T. Swedburg, Academic Dean, Nebraska Christian College, Box 919, Norfolk, Nebraska 68701.

Family Life Seminar

Robert Wilson, Lincoln Christian Seminary

Dec. 2, 3, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4, 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Pre-Marital Preparation and Marriage Enrichment
Thurs. Family Life Ministry
Fri. The Leaders Marriage and Family Life.

NCEA AND "THE HARVESTER"

The Nebraska Christian Evangelizing Association is publishing a News Letter, "The Harvester." According to Sherman Sack, Evangelist-at-large, The Harvester "is designed to keep you abreast of new works in the state, new plans, new ideas, and old stand-bys that work." We see a good future for the NCEA and already it's bearing fruit. If you're not on the mailing list of "The Harvester," you ought to write to Richard Wamsley at NCC, and ask to be included.

Stewardship

STEWARD I--and not possessor
Of the wealth entrusted me.
What, were God Himself the holder,
Would His disposition be?
This I ask myself each morning,
Every noon and every night,
As I view His gentle goodness
With an ever new delight.

Steward only--never owner--
Of the time that He has lent.
How, were He my life's custodian,
Would my years on earth be spent?
Thus I ask myself each hour
As I plod my pilgrim way,
Steeped in gratefulest amazement
At His mercy day by day.

Steward only--not possessor--
Of the part of Him that's I.
Clearer grows this truth and dearer
As the years go slipping by.
May I softly go, and humbly,
Head and heart in reverence bent,
That I may not fear to show Him
How my stewardship was spent.

--Strickland Gillilan



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old & new
address in-
cluding ZIP.

Johnsons & Swedburgs Say Thank You!

The editor of this very fine, well-circulated, well-read, highly-praised, over-staffed, underpaid, and late, copy of the "Alert" is known in his household for a cluttered office, bedroom and shop. Because of this trait, this world-known editor has lost two thank-you letters that were to be included in this very fine paper. So with my apologies to the thank-you writers please accept from me their thank yous.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson and Mrs. Loren (Melva) Swedburg wish to thank their many Christian brothers and sisters for the gifts that were given them on their 25 anniversaries with the college. However, more than the gifts they say thank you for your prayers and for being brothers and sisters. Thank you.

Alumni Reunion in Indianola

Jerry Beckenhauer and the church in Indianola, NE are planning an alumni reunion for November 14. Jerry sent us the following schedule:

- 2:00-4:00 Shoot the breeze, show and tell time, bring annuals. Family pix, etc.
- 4:00-4:30 "State of NCC" report by Lowell Burkum: Future NCC plans, present needs, etc.
- 4:30-5:00 Enthusiastics mini-concert
- 5:30 Supper: Main dish provided Everyone bring a cake or two dozen cookies!
- 7:30 Revival Time with Lowell & the NCC Enthusaistics.

Having an Alumni Reunion is a good way to (1) promote your church, (2) promote NCC, (3) share the expertise of area alumni in workshops or discussions groups. So, plan a Reunion! And when you do, write to us, giving details so we can publicize it for you, and write us again telling us how it went!

When you think of Excellence in Training,
Think
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Dues are Due!

Once again we ask you, the Alumni, for your support by sending in your dues. Last year the Alumni Association instituted a new aspect to your paying your dues. The dues are due and can be paid by check or cash on a yearly basis or the easy lifetime payment.

Single	\$ 7.50
Couple	10.00
Lifetime Single	100.00
Lifetime Couple	150.00

Mail Checks to:

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Alumni Project

The current alumni project for this year is the paying for the gifts to Johnsons and Swedburgs in recognition of 25 years of service to God through Nebraska Christian College. Our goal for this project is \$2500.00. As of this mailing we have received \$1,560.00. Thank you for your continued support of our Alumni projects.



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Bible Bowl Bowl Tournament

March 12, 13, 1982

QUESTIONS OVER: I & II Corinthians,
Galatians - King James Version

ENTRANCE FEE: \$20.00 per team. Not
refundable after March 1.

DEADLINE: For registration fee and
form - February 12.

MEALS AND HOUSING: Breakfast and
dinner will be furnished on
Saturday, March 13. Housing
will be provided Friday night
only. Please bring your own
bedroll. Sponsors not wanting
to sleep in dorm on bedrolls,
we will send a list of motels
for your convenience.

AWARDS: Tuition Scholarships to
Nebraska Christian College will
be awarded to the top three
winning teams. Trophies will
be awarded to the top four win-
ning teams.

COMPETITION: will be on a round
robin basis, which will allow
all teams to compete a greater
number of times. After twelve
round robins the top eight
teams will move into Champion-
ship competition.

INTERESTED IN REGISTRATION? Please
write: Bible Bowl, Nebraska
Christian College, Box 919,
Norfolk, NE 68701. Registra-
tion forms and information will
be sent.



Mug Shot

SOMEONE ASKED
for a mug shot
of our Alert
Editor (and is
he ever alert)!
This is the best
we could do on
limited notice.
Carl likes his
coffee, and we
hope you like
this lovely MUG
SHOT!

Coming Events

Career Days	October 22-23
Thanksgiving Vacation	Nov. 25-29
Christmas Concert	December 8-9
Trustees Meeting	December 8
End of Semester	December 18
Second Semester Registration	Jan. 4
Classes Begin	January 5

A COLLECTION AGENCY wrote the de-
linquent debtor this desperate let-
ter: "Dear Sir: What would your
neighbors think if we took away all
your furniture?" He replied: "Dear
Sirs: I asked them, and they think
it would be a dirty trick."

BOOST NEBRASKA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE!



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WOW!

GREAT!!

TERRIFIC!!!

FANTASTIC!!!!

ALUMNI DAYS & SPRING CONVENTION

April 13 & 14, 1982

Y'all Come!

Wow!
Let's go to the Convention!

Tuesday, April 13 - 2 PM Alumni Basketball Games
6 PM Alumni Banquet
7:30 PM Featured Speaker
Distinguished Alumni Award



Wednesday, April 14

8:00 AM - noon - Eighteen session of alumni
serving as Guest Lecturers
1:30 PM - Preaching Service with featured speaker
3:00-3:45 PM - Workshops
4:00-4:45 PM - Workshops
6:30-7:15 PM - Workshops
7:30 PM - Featured Speaker

Terrific!!!!

Workshop Topics

Ministry to the Elderly
Summer Intern in the Local Church
Counseling the Homosexual
Leading a Marriage Enrichment
Retreat in the Local Church
Communicating Faith in the Home
Tax Planning in the Parsonage
Leadership Opportunities for Women
in the Local Church
Bible School Curriculum
Singles Ministry
Weekend Associate Ministry
Improving Your Image through
Church Publications

Great!

Cross-Culture Congregation
How to Establish a
Deaf Ministry in the Local Church
Spiritual Leadership in the Home
and Still be Submissive
How to Set Up Effective Missions
Program in the Local Church
How to Help Your Church Grow, and
Save \$1,000.00 at the Same Time
Use of Video in Local Church
or Community
Family Life
Church Financial Records
Church Music

There will be a minimum of four work-
shops going on at the same time, and
NO REPEATS.

Fantastic!

"Wherever Dad Sits is The Head of The Table"

CHARLIE SHEDD, in his book, "Letters to Philip," tells of seeing a plaque in a gift shop with the above message. He liked it, and so do I. He pointed out, however, that there is a delicate line between just enough and too much. The image, he says, is not that of a mighty potentate on a throne, but a conductor directing a symphony.

I like that too. You see, when Paul wrote the line usually translated, "Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord" (Eph. 5:22), the word he used carried little of the sense of abject submissiveness that we attach to it. For one thing, he had just said that all Christians should be subject to each other in the same way! How could that be?

As I ponder Paul's word, hypotasso, here and elsewhere in the New Testament, I observe that it carries more the connotation of responsiveness than submission. After all, in the very source book of Christian teaching, wouldn't you expect to see this idea somewhere? And wherever you'd expect it, you find hypotasso.

Christians are to be responsive to each other. The church is to be responsive to Christ. Children are to obey their parents, and slaves their masters, but wives should be responsive to their husbands.

That's why I like Shedd's imagery of a conductor directing a symphony. He also said, "You can never win a woman's love by applying the hobnail boot." He adds that "women hate dictators, despots, tyrants, and old meanies, but they respect strong leaders."

Fellows, don't read Shedd unless you are willing to think. H.Fox



Send both old & new address including ZIP.

Fifth Annual Pastoral Counseling Seminar

May 24-27, 1982

Nebraska Christian College Campus

By request of those who attended last year's seminar, the subject for this year will once again be marriage counseling. Dr. Joseph Sutherland, professor at Emmanuel School of Religion will lead this year's seminar.

Dr. Sutherland is widely known for his work with marriage enrichment retreats and has written a number of articles on the subject. You might recall his series of articles on "Take Another Look at Christian Marriage" that appeared in the Lookout during October and November, 1980.

Details as to cost and specific subjects covered have yet to be worked out. If you have not been receiving the annual mailings announcing these seminars, write Dick Wamsley at the college.

--Dick Wamsley

Marriage Enrichment Retreat

May 28 & 29

Nebraska Christian College Campus

"One of the greatest resources available today for couples wanting to enrich their marriage is the couple's retreat." (Dr. Robert Wilson, Christian Standard, Jan. 25, 1981, p. 7)

Nebraska Christian College is happy to offer such an opportunity for marriage enrichment when Dr. Joseph Sutherland is here for the Pastoral Counseling Seminar in May.

Dr. Sutherland has led retreats like this literally all over the United States. He is well qualified to be our resource person. Those who attended a similar retreat in May, 1980 encouraged us to "do it again sometime." That sometime is May 28-29, 1982. Registration information will be sent to the five-state area around Nebraska sometime during February. If you do not receive that material, write Dick Wamsley at the college.

Project Progress Report

December 28, 1981

Dear Alumnus and Friend of NCC:

This "progress report" is to let you know what is happening with our project to honor Professor Johnson and Professor Melva Swedburg for their twenty-five years of service at NCC.

They were guests of honor at Founders Day (Sept. 7, 1981) and were presented gifts from the Alumni Association and the College Board of Trustees.

...Professor Johnson was given a tape copier, a calculator that talks, and a cash gift.

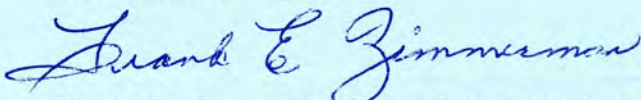
...Mrs. Swedburg was given a vacation in Hawaii for about ten days during the first part of April. Mr. Swedburg will be going to Hawaii, but asked that he be allowed to pay for his own expenses.

Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Swedburg are thrilled with the gifts we presented to them.

We need \$910.00 to complete the payment of this project. If you have waited to mail your contribution, please consider the need to do so now. The tickets for Mrs. Swedburg's vacation are ready, and must be paid for soon.

Thank you for your interest in NCC, and those who serve.

Yours in His service;



Frank E. Zimmerman, Committee Chairman

Coming Events

Advanced Ed. Seminar	Feb.	5-6
Spiritual Emphasis Week	Feb.	17-19
Sweetheart Banquet	Feb.	19
Spring Break	Feb. 25-Mar.	1
Trustees Meeting	Mar.	9
Bible Bowl Tournament	Mar.	12-13
Choir Tour	Mar. 26-Apr.	4
Spring Break	Apr.	8-12
Alumni Days & Convention	Apr.	13-14
Spring Missions Banquet	Apr.	21
VBS Clinic	Apr.	29

ALUMNI...

now have the opportunity to receive from the college a T-shirt for their child that is born after Jan. 1, 1981. The purpose of this program is to better acquaint you with the New Way Singers program. By simply notifying Ron McConkey of the birth of your son or daughter, your child

RECEIVES...

from the College a small "Future New Way Singers" T-shirt, as pictured on Anthony Richard Sapp. To the best of our knowledge, he is the first Alumni baby born since



Jan. 1, 1981. To date, Ron's office has sent out over 50 of these . . .

FREE...

T-shirts, and if we have missed sending you one, let us know so that we may do so. Alumni, we need to hear from you! We want you new parents to have this fine T-shirt in your...

WARDROBE!

The College also has larger size T-shirts available for others in the family at \$6.00 each. Let us know the sizes you need. Send us a check and we'll ship the shirts pronto!

NCC Bible Bowl Tournament & Sponsors Clinic

SINCE YOU ALUMNI have been strong for the Bible Bowl, we'll remind you of a new feature, began last year. It's a BIBLE BOWL SPONSORS' CLINIC. Bible Bowl is March 12 this year and we expect a great turnout (are you bringing a team?). The CLINIC is next morning! Mike Wileman will lead it. His team was National Champion at NACC last year. Send your sponsor! It's free if your team is competing; otherwise it costs \$3.00.

By the way, your team must be registered by Feb. 12th, and the fee is \$20 per team. Write for forms and information.

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A Note From Ron

Alumni, you are very important to me. Your help is not only very much appreciated, it is solicited. I cannot recruit a growing student body without prospects. Let me give you some insight into the decreasing number of seniors in our churches.

Here is a chart showing the trend in senior prospects according to graduation year and the number on my prospective mailing list.

Year	Number of Prospects
1980	1850
1981	1725
1982	1601
1983	1452
1984	1048

From this you can see we are dropping over 150 a year with a total of over 800 in five years, though the number of churches we draw from (on the mailing list) has increased from 300 to 1343 in the past seven years.

The first most effective tool in recruiting is a happy, enthusiastic student body. The Alumni could be the second most effective tool.

I really appeal to you to be on the lookout for young people who should be in Bible College. I'm working with fewer prospects every year, and we must work harder. Will you help? The future of your Alma Mater depends upon it.

--Ron

And the Editor Says "Come!"

I'M EXCITED about the plans that I hear are being made for this year's convention! A one-day convention may have draw-backs for those who have a ways to travel, but 30 work-shops!!! WOW!!! I hope that you'll come to the convention, and leave feeling that you have been filled to running over. And Alumni, what an evening is being planned for you for the evening before!

Basketball, food, and a bigger and better auction (now if we could just find an auctioneer)! Once again we are having an auction, and if you have anything in the way of office equipment, P.A.s or video equipment that you would like to donate to be sold to someone else for a money-raising project, let the Alert Editor know what you have, and in our March issue we will print a sale bill.

Getting excited? You ought to, because this year's convention sounds great, and you can be a part of it. Here are some of the activities.

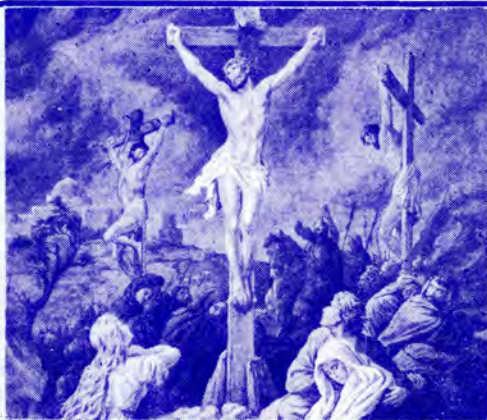
--Carl Brandt, Editor



"The same God that has endowed us with sense, reason and intellect did not intend us to forego their use."

--Galileo

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March, 1982

NCC ALUMNI DAYS April 13, 1982

Alumni Banquet

Once again this year you are invited to share in a meal with other alumni as they come a day early for the Convention, April 13, 6 p.m., at First Christian Church in Norfolk. The meal will again be catered by Hy-Vee. The cost to you is only \$4.00 for a swiss steak supper with all the trimmings. Enclosed is a postage-free reply card for you to return with your reservation. The meal is by reservation only, as we must pay for what we order. Phone-in reservations will be accepted until 5 pm, Friday, April 9. Plan now to attend this great evening of food and fellowship. You'll be glad you did!

Books! Books! Book Bonanza!

Once again, (Dick) Brownstein's Bargain Book Bonanza will be featuring Bargains, Bartering, and Badgering (by Brown's Boys) as you buy or beg Book Bargains before going back home. Bring your bucks and buy books!



Please, inform us
of your change of address.
It will make our mailman so happy!

Hats! Hats! Hats!?



Yes, we still have Alumni Hats from two years ago. Wear one the day of the Convention and let them know you are a proud alumnus.

Auction!!

The Auctioneer of last year's successful auction has again offered his services to sell used equipment at our auction. But we don't have enough to sell. We will sell your treasures that you aren't using, if you give us some commission. The College will be selling two Addressographs, models 6300 and 1900; also a platemaker model 200. We offer one 1968 Ford Pickup, Norelco Dictaphone, an Elliott Model 4400 addressing machine, and possibly Ron McConkey's typewriter again. Bring some items and share in this time of fun.

On the Flyleaf

Bobbie Burns, Scottish poet, was in a strange city, and lonely. Sunday came and he found a church and went in. To his disappointment, those on the inside were as cold as the January day outside. Burns wrote these lines on a hymnal flyleaf:

A cauld wind as ever blew,
A caulder kirk, and in't few;
As cauld a minister's e'er spak;
Ye'll all be hot ere I come back!

If Burns came to your church, would he have reason to write a similar stanza in your hymnal?

Adapted from John Wade, The Lookout

Israel & Judah; Doctrine of Salvation.
10 am Bible Interpretation; Ideas
 for VBS, Pastoral Preaching, Crea-
 tivity in Music; Photography in
 Missions; Textual Criticism.

11 am Evangelistic Appeal in
 Preaching; Counseling; Covenant
 With Abraham.

6:30-7:15 Counseling Homosexuals;
 Communicating Faith at Home; Church
 Publications; Deaf Ministry in The
 Local Church, Use of Video; Help
 Your Church Grow & Save \$1,000.

7:30 Preaching, Marshall Leggett

SPECIAL SPEAKER

Marshall Leggett, Pres-
 ident of Milligan Col-
 lege, Milligan College,
 Tennessee, the featured
 speaker Tuesday evening,
 Wednesday afternoon and
 Wednesday evening.

Some of the Lecturers and Workshop Leaders



Ernel Henry
Topeka, KS



Tony Nelson
Ralston, NE



Beverly Sapp
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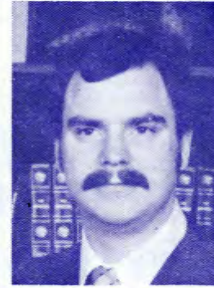
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Ames, IA



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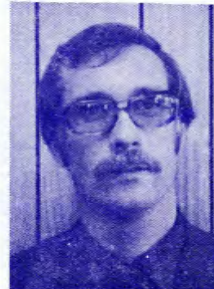
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ALUMNI DAYS and 33rd ANNUAL SPRING CONVENTION,
April 13-14, 1982

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

2:00 pm; Alumni Basketball Games

6:00 pm; Alumni Banquet

7:30 pm; Preaching, Marshall Leggett
Distinguished Alumnus Award

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

LECTURES

8 am Education in Culture; I John;
Life of Christ in My Life & Ministry;
Using Greek in Bible Study.

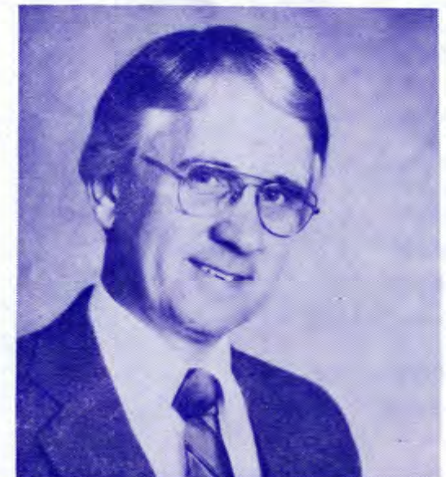
9 am Modern Youth Problems; When
You're The New Preacher; Kings of

1:30 pm; Preaching, Marshall Leggett

WORKSHOPS

3:00-3:45 Ministry to Elderly;
Leading Marriage Enrichment Retreat;
Church Music; Tax Planning; Singles
Ministry; Effective Missions Program;
Effective Missions Program; Spiritual
Leadership & Still Submissive.

4:00-4:45 Summer Internship; Leadership
for Women, Weekend Associate
Ministry, Cross Culture Congregation,
Family Life, Church Financial Records



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Letter from Ken

Dear Alumni,

I would like to thank each member of the Alumni Association for your participation in our ministry for NCC. We're all very much aware of the economic problems our nation is facing right now and I'm sure we've found it to be a little more difficult this year to come up with our alumni dues. The dues are our only regular source of funds and we depend on your regular participation to keep the bank book in the black.

The latest report shows only 34 have paid their annual dues since Sept. 1, 1981 when our current year began. This year our dues have been raised slightly to \$7.50 for an individual and \$10 for each couple. If you compare our annual dues to those of the alumni associations of our sister colleges you will discover that they are really very reasonable, less than half in some cases.

The report also notes that nine have paid lifetime dues. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity and become a lifetime member of the Alumni Association, you can do so by mailing a check for \$100.00 for a single individual or \$150.00 for a couple, to the Alumni Association, in care of the college.

(Letter continued)

I hope that you will respond quickly and mail your check today. The Association has some financial obligations during Alumni Days and the Spring Convention that will need to be met. Your dues will help.

See you at Alumni Days & Convention!

In Christ's Love,

Kenneth R. Cooper

Kenneth R. Cooper, President

Coming Events

VBS Clinic	April	29
Registration at 9:30		
Cost: \$2.00		
VBS Clinic	May	4
First Christian Church		
Broken Bow, Nebraska		
Commencement, NCC	May	14
Pastoral Counseling Seminar	May 24-27	
\$50/person, \$80/couple		
Marriage Enrichment Retreat	May 28-29	
\$55 per couple		
Both Seminar & Retreat,	\$125/couple	

To put a finish on your car,
Two ways I'll briefly cite:
Do it slowly with lacquer by day
Or quickly with liquor by night!

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The Alert

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College Recruitment Is Hurting!

Everywhere colleges are hurting. Finances are down, expenses are up, and fewer seniors are planning to go to college than any time since the Korean War.

I'm finding the same is true with us. Last year at this time we had 70 applications, and this year we have 47. Two years ago when we set the all-time record fall enrollment, we had 63 applications at this time. I've worked harder and the students here have really helped. We wrote over 700 letters and made about 250 phone calls. I'm very much concerned because we have two professors coming and we need students to fill the classrooms.

As I've said before, Alumni are one of our best sources of help in recruitment. Thank you for the encouragement you give to young people who are thinking about college. Thank you for urging them to consider your college. Some authorities say 5% of the colleges in the U.S. will fold this year or next. The two main reasons are: (1) lack of finances, and (2) lack of students. I've asked our student body to make this a matter of prayer. Will you do the same?

—Ron McConkey

Church Kids Need to Hear More about Bible College!

Last May I mailed out 9,494 brochures to prospective students and churches. During one week ten requests for information were received back from this mailing. These 1983-1984 high school graduates are "church kids," and they want to know what we offer in: English, Math, Coaching, Music, Vocal Instruction, Youth Ministries, Basketball, Physical Education, Business Computers, Science, Medical Records, Criminology, Elementary Education, Social Services, Religious Studies, Sociology, and Anthropology.

These requests came from 7 girls and 3 boys. They came from Colorado, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Illinois, and Wyoming.

If young people are going to be challenged to leadership roles in the church today, they must be introduced to that challenge by the local church and church people.

—Ron McConkey

These Alumni

Are Different

A phone call from a former student asks me to send a slide program as soon as possible...a church paper reprints Mr. Milliken's appeal letter...a young man now working in cross-cultural missions talks with me at the Kiamichi Clinic...and on and on. What do these have in common? They are Alumni of our college, and their efforts on our behalf are greatly appreciated by all of us here at the college.

What makes these Alumni different? Statistics prove that very few college Alumni do anything toward supporting their college for at least 10 years after graduation. Many, many of our former students are not waiting ten years before they begin the good work of promoting the school to their friends.

Promotion comes in many forms. Of course, as Recruiter, I seek the help of our former students. Your good work on our behalf will help us increase the number of students on our campus. Please don't wait ten years to begin your regular support of the college program.

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CHRISTIAN COLLEGE!**

from the EDITOR

“...Christ Has Set Us Free!”

Democracy makes people free. Right? *Wrong!* Christ makes people free! Read Galatians 5:1-13! America has greater freedom than most other nations, yet we have sunk into depths of debauchery that would shame ancient Corinth! You see, democracy has made us free *to* sin, while Christ frees us *from* sin. We are tossing away our freedom of religion at a shocking rate, and our courts are now interpreting it as freedom *from* religion.

What's so great about democracy? C.S. Lewis examined this idea, and found that people favor democracy for two opposite reasons. “You may think all men so good that they deserve a share in the government...and so wise that (it) needs their advice... On the other hand, you may believe fallen men to be so wicked that not one of them can be trusted with any irresponsible power over his fellows.”* Lewis believed the second to be correct. Democracy does not guarantee a better government, but it does provide checks and balances lacking in totalitarian regimes, and it spreads the responsibility to the citizenry when things go wrong.

Democracy “works” among people with a Christian ethic. That's why it worked in America for a long time. But it has been tried and failed many times in history by people without that advantage, and it is failing us now that we are letting our Christian ethic slip away. It is Christ who “works”, not a superior form of government.

—Harold Fox

* The Weight of Glory; MacMillan, 1949, p. 36.

Ron Simkins on Baptism

I don't know how many of you saw Ron Simkins' article in Christian Standard for May 16, 1982, entitled, “Baptism: A Point of View.” If you missed it, I urge you to look it up, read it, and give it a lot of thought. Some of you may be horrified; others will feel, like I did, that it's about time that someone began thinking, and not just parroting “our traditions” on this important subject. Whether you agree with Brother Simkins or not, at least let him stir the cobwebs in your mind a bit. Consider what he says. We'd be glad to hear your reactions, not only to that, but to other matters of general interest, and to material you may see in the *Alert*.



The Sun Won't Set On NCC Missions Interns This Year!

Professor Sandy Sandell has reason to be proud of his Missions students! The sun will never set on our 13 missionary interns, working as they are, around the world—Puerto Rico, Mexico, London, Scotland, South Africa, South Korea, Navajo Indians (Arizona), and Midwest Christian Children's Home (Iowa), plus two who plan to raise money and go full-time to London!

Sandy has created high interest in missions, with 165 students in his missions classes, none of which are required for a degree.

Sandy took 20 students to the Navajo Reservation last spring where they helped missionaries build a church building. They lived in the homes of Navajo church members.

NCC's Missions students not only learn *about* mission work, they're eager to get in where the action is and learn missions by being real live missionaries.

NCC Camp Team



Kelly Paige and Jim Milliken are the college camp team this summer. Jim submitted the following summary of their past month's experiences.

Working on a camp team is a unique experience, really a combination of unique experiences. Each camp has a personality all its own; each offers new insights, challenges, and opportunities, and yet is blessed to do a wonderful service for the Lord.

Kelly and I have been to Central Iowa Bible Camp, Pibel Bible Camp, Little Rockies Christian Camp, and NebWyoDak Christian Camp. Our responsibilities have included team leadership, dorm parenting, music for the camp, and submission to camp faculty leadership, along with representing NCC. We are to be examples, mingling with other campers. Kelly and I have especially enjoyed opportunities to meet the kids, other camp teams, and the excellent faculty members and evangelists. We also enjoyed traveling with Mr. Wamsley and the Swedburgs—welcome company as opposed to leeches, bats, rats, gnats, and mosquitoes.

This month's camps have been a great blessing, and we look forward with anticipation to our July dates. We praise God for this opportunity of service.

Mini-Enthusiastics Serve NCC



An effective outreach arm for NCC this summer and last has been the Mini-Enthusiastics, a six-voice, trimmed-down version of the popular Enthusiastics vocal group. This year's Minis, accompanied by President Milliken, began its summer tour at Burwell, NE, on May 23, and will finish at Earlham, IA, on July 16.

The group's itinerary includes programs at churches and camps. They have been well-received everywhere, and have been a blessing to others as well as being blessed themselves. Members of the group testify to incidents in which their personal witness influenced another young person for Christ, as well as forming lasting friendships.

The following excerpts from letters received by President Milliken reflect the glowing impact the Mini-Enthusiastics are having in Christian camps this summer:

"...The Mini-Enthusiastics did a super job...The campers and faculty were very impressed by their attitude and talent..."

"...If there is a more loving, caring, talented or better disciplined group around, I have yet to hear about it..."

"...In the last ten years of serving in Christian camps and being around numerous college groups, I have never shared with as great a group of people as Steve Cripe, Diane Henden, Todd McCracken, Anne Mundt, Marla Vogt, and Jeff Wilterdink..."

Fellow Alumni, testimonies like these make us proud to be NCC alumni, and glad to support our school with our prayers and our dollars!

NEW WAY *Singers*

NEW WAY SINGERS'

Greatest Year!

"NEW WAYS" for 1982 is now history! This is its eleventh and greatest year ever! The three tour buses returned on June 27 for their combined concert at the NCC auditorium. The largest ever choral groups presented a professional sounding program with specialty numbers from each of the three groups. Parents and friends arrived all day Sunday, some from as far away as Colorado and Wisconsin, to share the final concert, and to pick up their "New Way Singer" for the trip home. An estimated 700-750 attended the final concert.

The New Ways are qualifying high school students who spend a week on campus in intensive rehearsal, then go on tour for a week, returning to Norfolk for their combined concert. They are a tremendous recruiting force for NCC. It is surprising to learn how many students were attracted to NCC through participating in New Ways, or by attending a New Ways concert. New Ways also upgrades the NCC student body talent-wise, because these students are already skilled in music in order to qualify.

The 1982 New Ways numbered 107 in all, coming from fourteen states and one foreign country (Annika Ratteli is a foreign exchange student from Sweden!). The west tour performed in Nebraska, Colorado, and Wyoming. The east group held concerts in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois, and Iowa. The south group toured Oklahoma, Texas, and Nebraska.

Coming Events

Founders' Day/Opening Convocation
Board Meeting
Parents' Day
Dunning Lectureship
Career Days
Thanksgiving Break
Christmas Concerts
End of Semester

August 15
September 7
September 24
October 6-7
October 28-29
November 24-26
December 8-10
December 21



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Please Note Change in Founders' Day

Founders' Day/Opening Convocation will be Sunday, August 15, this year, and *not Labor Day!* The Convocation will open at 4:00 p.m., and close at 5:30. Norfolk's Mayor, and our two new faculty members, Dave Burkum and Jeff Donley, will be featured.

Founders' Day began with the school as an opening convocation, but to coordinate classes with Northeast Technical Community College, school opening has been moved up to mid-August. Founders' Day now follows that trend.

Executive Committee Meeting

The Alumni Executive Committee (all new officers—see below) will meet on August 15, preferably before the convocation, to plan a fall alumni meeting to coincide with the Dunning Lectureship, October 6–7. All officers, please be present.

ALUMNI OFFICERS FOR 1982–83

President.....Jim Hopkins
Vice-President.....Larry Fiscus
Secretary.....Disa Nelson
Treasurer.....Linda Lu Lloyd
Editor, *Alert*.....Harold Fox

Doing the Job for Christ

A letter from Sam Fox contained these two paragraphs. I think they are worth sharing.

"Our eldership has started an interesting program. Six times in the coming year we are dividing the congregation into our shepherding groups on a Sunday night and inviting them into our homes (or into the home of someone in the group) to worship, study, play games, or whatever, to share in each other's lives more deeply. Last Sunday night was our first time around... It seems as though the idea has gone over very well. Some of the men who wondered if it was such a good idea are now saying that maybe six times aren't enough.

"People who haven't been going to Sunday evening services showed up. Conversation developed that indicated that people are eager for just such a sharing experience. We are following the theme of unity or oneness throughout the year, studying from Ephesians 4:1–6. This is an effort to beef up our shepherding program. It forces busy elders to meet at least six times with the people they are supposed to be shepherding..."

Love, Sam

Incidentally, Sam's article "Has Your Board Reached Its Limit?" was in the September/October issue of "Your Church" Magazine. It was based on Exodus 18, believe it or not! I wish Sam would "boil down" what he said there to fit a column or two in the *Alert*. How about it, Sam?

We keep looking for short articles of general interest to promote Christ and His Church, as well as the college. Many of you could contribute such material. It is the sort of thing we need for the *Alert*.

—Harold Fox

Every dollar
given to a
Bible College is a
good investment!



The Alert

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From Your New President



"If therefore there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose." Phil. 2:1-2

Greetings to you, brothers in Christ, lovers of His knowledge and alumni of one of His colleges, Nebraska Christian College. We begin another year of operation as the Alumni Association, and as its president I seek to serve. We will strive

this year to open eyes of awareness.

First of all, we want you to be aware of the workings of the Alumni Association. How can the alumni be of "the same mind...intent on one purpose" if each alumnus doesn't know of the Association's activities! So we want you to know and contribute to our programs.

Secondly, we want the students of Nebraska Christian College to become aware of the Association's desire to serve the college—and that means them, too. We hope that by a program of adopting a graduate we might be looked on favorably by the student body and encourage their participation in the Association after graduation.

Thirdly, we, the executive committee, want to be aware of you. You are extremely valuable to us. You are a well of wealth, knowledge, and imagination that we need to draw from. We would not expect a blind following, so for these programs to work they must be yours and ours. Please do not hesitate to ask questions, give advice, or share dreams with us.

NCC blessed us while in school, and through us blessed the whole body of Christ. She continues to do that. We must now be a blessing to Nebraska Christian by offering our continued support in money, in prayers, and in our young people. May God bless the Alumni Association as it seeks to bless NCC.

Your servant and president,

Jim Hopkins

What Do We Do with Our Dues?

Yes, once again our dues are due, fellow Alumni! Annual dues are \$10 for married couples and \$7.50 for singles and are payable on September 1. Lifetime dues are \$150 for couples and \$100 for singles.

We've had inquiries about what our dues are used for. The money from our dues is used to pay for the Alert and any other special mailings put out during the year.

Our last Alumni Project was the Twenty-fifth Anniversary gifts for Professors Melva Swedburg and Ralph Johnson. The support has been great for this project, but we still have \$606.25 left to be paid. Let's not stop now! If you would like to help with this, or pay your dues, just send your check to Nebraska Christian College, made payable to the college and marked Alumni Project, or Alumni Dues. Thank you!

Linda Lu Lloyd, Treasurer

We can make an



IMPACT for Christ!

WANTED: Loyal Alumni

What constitutes the criteria for a "loyal alumnus"?

1. Pay dues.
2. Attend association meetings faithfully.
3. Support special association projects.

Right?

Wrong!

These are certainly desirable and a loyal alumnus will delight to do them, but alumni loyalty is more than the sum of these.

Alumni loyalty means really caring about the total program and purpose of your alma mater and doing whatever you can do to maintain and increase her effectiveness. May I offer some suggestions for loyal alumni?

1. Keep as informed about NCC as you can through personal contact as well as through printed and written communication.
2. Actively support NCC with your own fervent prayer and sacrificial financial support.
3. Be a representative for NCC in your local congregation, community, and general area—encouraging prayer and financial support as well as urging prospective students to consider attending NCC.
4. Be a local representative of your local church and community through sharing constructive criticisms and positive suggestions for NCC's improvement.
5. Suggest new ideas to the NCC administrators as to how the college may better serve the churches.

Fellow alumnus, NCC needs your loyalty. God give us loyal alumni!

Lowell A. Burkum

Fall Meeting Date Changed

All Alumni: The fall Alumni Meeting date has been rescheduled for 12 Noon on October 29, during Career Days. Disregard earlier contrary communications. This is an important meeting, and we hope for a good attendance.

What about food?

You'll have a Serve-Yourself-Salad-and-Sandwich Luncheon at noon, at First Christian Church, at a cost of \$3.00. This will be served on a Reservations Only basis, and we'll need your reservation a week in advance.

Why the change of date?

Traditionally our fall meeting has been on Founders' Day. Now, with Founders' Day moved up to mid-August, an Alumni Meeting is hardly feasible. The Dunning Lectureship was tentatively set, but that too had disadvantages. So the Executive Committee met on August 15 to discuss future direction of the Alumni Association and set the date for our fall meeting. We agreed on Career Days, since many of you will be bringing young people to visit NCC at that time.

So please come!

Alumni, we wish you could attend every function on campus! Many of you who live near enough do make that effort. But some events—Career Days and Spring Convention—have greater pull and we try to schedule our meetings at those times. So come to Career Days. Bring some high school kids to visit classes, see the campus, and get a feeling of "belonging". Most of our kids have previously visited NCC. We think we have something good going for them.

Come expecting a good fall Alumni Meeting. Good things are in the works and you'll want to be in on them. Our new president has some great ideas to promote NCC. So come with a desire to see your school extend your ministry in ways in which you can share. *Harold Fox*

Urban Evangelism

About 15 years ago Carl Ketcherside spoke at an NCC convention on "The Open Door to the Inner City." He emphasized that urban evangelism was the approach in the first century, and that it is the needed approach in the late 20th and 21st centuries.

According to an RNS release cited in Christian Standard for June 27, 1982, Australian preacher Alan Walker declared, "Christianity must win the cities of the world or it won't win the world." Christ's metaphors of rural life may blind us to the fact that, even in New Testament times, the focus of evangelism was on the cities—Jerusalem, Ephesus, Corinth, Athens, and Rome. According to Walker, 2% of the world lived in cities in 1800; 30% in 1960; and by 1990 it will be 60%.

In our fun-oriented culture, evangelism is difficult, and in the cities it is hardest of all; but if it is not successful there, it won't be successful at all. *Harold Fox*

CAREER DAYS!
AN OPPORTUNITY
...FOR YOUTH

PREACHING
Fellowship Music
DORM LIFE

How Do You Handle Temptation?



A recent church paper had an article by the preacher's wife, in which she said she is often asked how she manages to get herself and three kids, five, three, and one year old, ready for church every Sunday. She replied, "If I decided on Sunday morning whether or not I would go to church, there would be some Sundays I wouldn't go." Her Saturday night bedtime often comes late, and sleep is often interrupted. "But," she adds, "praise God, I don't wait until Sunday morning to decide if I'm going to go or not."

I once read of a 16-year-old boy who got his first job caddying at the Country Club. His dad congratulated him, but cautioned him about his exposure to profanity, dirty stories, temptations to smoke and drink, and offers of bribes to help players fudge on their scores, as well as other dishonest and immoral conduct. He added, "Son, it is you who must make these decisions. I only ask that you make them now, rather than out on the golf course under the pressure of strong temptation."

Whether your temptation concerns getting up to go to church, cheating at school or work, keeping your conduct morally acceptable, or whether to undertake some good activity for the Lord, please don't wait until the pressure is on and the boiler is about to burst. Sit down calmly, while you can logically evaluate your decision in the light of common sense and Christian teaching, and make those decisions. If you do otherwise, you're giving the devil all the leverage.

Jesus didn't decide on the hill of Calvary whether to go to the cross. He had told his disciples repeatedly that he must suffer many things and be crucified. He had "set his face" steadfastly to go to Jerusalem. His decision was solidified and finalized in Gethsemane: "Not my will, but Thine be done." And that's why your Gethsemane must precede your Calvary.

The Billy Graham Association has switched to third class, so-called junk-mail, rates for its Decision magazine. Churches and colleges are considering this change. Advantages are: Depending upon the degree of pre-sorting, it may be cheaper, and it allows freedom in frequency of publication. If you are now mailing second class, you may want to consider this change. Check with your Post Office. In theory, second class should be faster, but in practice there's often no difference.

Area Alumni Rallies

Have you thought of hosting an Alumni Rally for your area? We believe it could accomplish great things, and we'd like to see more of them.

What can a rally accomplish?

An Area Alumni rally is a good tool for promoting Nebraska Christian College. Get a faculty representative and a music group from NCC to lead your program, for mutual benefit to both your church and your college.

A Rally can also provide needed fellowship between preachers and churches in your area. People do get discouraged, and a visit with other Christians within a reasonable radius can be a big morale booster. If you know a preacher who is particularly successful in some phase of ministry, have him lead a workshop on how he makes it work. Both people and preachers will profit from it.

How to plan and promote a rally.

First talk to Lowell Burkum of NCC. He'll be glad to help. He has the expertise to set up a program that will work. We'd like you to go through Mr. Burkum to plan any rally that you may hold.

A year or two ago Jerry Beckenhauer had a quite effective Alumni Rally at Indianola, NE. He wrote the college in advance for publicity and help; he had Mr. Burkum and one of the music groups; and he asked us for names and addresses of alumni in the area. We sent him a computer printout on gummed labels of alumni in his and adjacent zip code areas, for mailing out news about the rally.

We'll do the same for you.

Notify your Alert editor well in advance and we'll promote your rally in the Alert and perhaps in the NCC News. When it's over, write back telling us how things went, and we'll report on that, too.

Maybe you can make it a regular annual event. It will promote your own and area churches as well as boosting Nebraska Christian College.

Harold Fox

New Way Singers '83

Dates - June 12-26, 1983
Rehearsal and Tour Weeks

Deadline for auditions is January 17, 1983. Please write for your application NOW! (You could pick up your packets at Career Days.)

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Adopt a Senior

I hope you read carefully Jim Hopkins' letter in this issue. Jim is the Alumni Association's new president. He has a lot of good ideas for getting our attention, and for getting us functioning for NCC and for Christ.

One of his ideas is getting NCC graduates involved in our work. We've tried it before, but we didn't try hard enough. Some students graduate from NCC and hardly know there is an Alumni Association. And that's not good!

At our fall meeting (October 29) we're going to encourage you to adopt a senior. No, you don't have to pay his college expenses. But we want you to have a concern for one particular graduating senior, become acquainted with him or her, write letters, know his dreams and aspirations, make him aware of the Association and its aims, and invite him/her to be your guest at the Alumni Banquet during the Spring Convention.

Prepare yourself now with prayer, develop that concern; and as soon as you know your senior's name, start praying for him and getting acquainted with his needs. God will bless you for it!

Harold Fox

Worship and Giving

The following quoted from The Christian Reader, appeared in a church paper. Perhaps it will make us think.

"On Sunday morning you are in church to give! You give your worship, your praise, your thanks, your tithe, your extra gift, your voice, to the glory of God. On Sunday morning, you are not the audience; God is the audience. He hears us. We are the performers directed by a pastor who plans and structures a corporate expression that blends us into one mind and voice to honor Him! Your boredom is absolutely inconsequential to the whole matter. You came not to slurp in intellectual and religious goodies; you came to exhale—with all your vital capacity—fitting praise to God! You came not to wince at sopranos slightly off key, but to make a melody to the glory of God."

The Christian Reader

The Psalmist offers a fitting response:

"Give unto the Lord, O ye people,
Give unto the Lord glory and strength;
Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name.
Bring an offering, and come into His Courts...

O worship the Lord, all the earth!" *from Psalm 96*

Coming Events

Dunning Lectureship	October 6-7
Career Days	October 28-29
Fall Alumni Meeting	October 29
Christmas Concerts	December 8, 9, 10
Semester ends	December 21
2nd Sem. Registration	January 4
Spiritual Emphasis Week	February 14-16
Bible Bowl Tournament	March 11-12
Spring Convention with Alumni Days	April 5-6

USE THIS COUPON to reserve your place at the Alumni Luncheon, October 29, during Career Days!

ALUMNI LUNCHEON RESERVATION

____ YES! I/We plan to attend the Alumni Luncheon at 12 noon, October 29, at First Christian Church, Norfolk.

Please reserve _____ places at \$3.00 each.

Signed _____