Music tours planned

by Jay Reinke

O praise the Lord! Let everything that has breath praise the Lord; praise Him with the blast of the trumpet, praise Him upon the harp; praise Him with the clash of cymbals, praise Him with thunder and strings.

O praise the Lord! Psalm 150:3-6

Fifteen Graduate

Winter quarter graduation will take place on Wednesday, February 25 at 9:40 a.m. in the blurton Memorial Music Center Auditorium. Reverend Paul K. Peterson, pastor at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, St. Paul will give the address. The rev. Peter Sell, and Pamela Stanford.

The Chorale's schedule of performances scheduled, not included the on-campus performances.

"Hansel and Gretel" begins Saturday

The cast for "Hansel and Gretel" includes Mark Rosenwinkel as Hansel, Judi Kaper as Gretel and Kathy Berwald as Piko the Meme.

"Sounds of Blackness" performed the Black National Anthem during a musical program Wednesday, February 4. The program was part of Cultural Exchange Week, which was held February 2-6. Photo credit: John Mornes

Luther to be Remodeled

by Cindy Zabel

Remodeling will begin in Luther Hall's lounge during spring break or shortly thereafter on campus, according to the Concordia Guild, who will be furnishing the lounges in the girls' dorms. According to Dean Sohn, it is all feasible, and the south side of the lounge will be knocked down so that the lounge can be expanded. En- counting an electric panel or other such problems may ham per the project. After this the T.V. lounge will also be redone. A glass door will be placed at the top of all the stairs in the main lounge and a buzzer will be installed. This will prevent strangers from entering. At the present time a small peakhole is located in the entry door of each of the wings. The students in Luther Hall have been asked to pick a representative from each wing to assist in picking out the furnishings for the lounge.
Lack of Witnessing at CSP

It is easy when attending a Christian College, to take for granted that our fellow students, professors, and all those working at Concordia College have a strong faith in God and are Christians.

Though it would be wonderful to believe this, if one stops to really think about it, one knows it cannot possibly be a reality. We would like to believe this is true perhaps because we then have what we think is an excuse not to witness for Christ.

Instead of using these same excuses many times as a cop-out not to witness, we must admit that the reason we don’t witness is for fear of saying the wrong thing or because of what we think people will think.

It may be hard to witness to those we do not know but by sharing with friends, we can build ourselves up, so we can more easily share openly, without fear. Everyone needs to be reassured of the goodness of Christ and all that He has done.

I believe that when witnessing, Christ shines through us in the expression on our faces, the joy in our voices, our pleasantness, and especially our love for the person to whom we are speaking, and our joy in spiritual understanding. We claim that God is the giver of every good and perfect gift and we praise Him for His goodness to us. Yet the paradox comes when we again gather as a student body approximately 2 hours later. But this time what is lacking are the people to whom we spoke.

There are many things we can be ashamed of but we should never be ashamed of Christ or the Good News about Him. On the contrary, we should be quite unashamed of Him.

Pam Beyer

CSP News Briefs

The Concordia College Band will be performing Sunday, March 14 at 6 p.m. in the Buttolf Memorial Music Center Auditorium.

The band will play two numbers written especially for them, “Psalm 150” by Donald Moore and “Images” by Thomas Root. The band will also perform “Variations on America” by Christiansen and other musical numbers. A freewill offering will be taken.

“How’s the Weather” will be performed Friday, February 26 at 8 p.m. in the Buttolf Memorial Music Center Auditorium. The program will include works for solo guitar and guitar/viola with Sandra Rippe, a soprano, also performing with Kvernstrom in the concert.

The schedule is as follows:

- March 26—Convocation service in the Chapel.
- March 19—Student Senate Primary Elections.
- March 26—Quintmaking with Mrs. William Kelley in the Music Auditorium at 7:30.

The Sword

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From the Students Hand...

The Spirit moves each of us in different ways; some to song, some to speech, and some to the written word. We offer to you here the composition from our own CSP students. If you’d like to contribute your original poetry or prose contact Jeff Powell, P.O. Box 664.

My spirit was so low, things were getting dark, I was about to give up. The tears came like a flood and filled my eyes up to the brim. So I knocked upon the door through which passed no one. It was long before noon and I was wishing to stop at it due to jealousy because I knew He told me to.

I stood looking over my window at the early morning, so bright. And knew that rushing, empty, heartless, acting wicked.

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Escape to the Twin Cities by Bus this spring

by Steve Anderson

The snow is melting, birds will soon be back, leaves will be sprouting on the trees, and spring fever will be chronic.

So what will you do with all your extra time? Concordia weekends can be exciting. The campus is smack-dab-in-the-middle of the Twin Cities and major avenues.

For 60¢ round trip you can take a tour on the Greater Twin Cities Transit Authority. This is the place to see the Concordia drill team, head coach Robert Barnes, works for enjoyment and for the support of the CSP athletic teams.

CSP's Halftime Entertainment

by Robin Hain

"Rock Around the Clock" is the spirit of the Concordia Comets Drill Team, which performs at the halftime of home football and basketball games. The winter team members are LeeAnn Dierich, Wendy Johnson, Jan Stockman, Sue Schiedler, captain, Vicki Fuchs, Mary Waldknecht, Nancy Ellingson, Deb Steffen, Diane Henry, and Linda Hanson.

Being a drill team member requires not only performance at games, but also requires an hour of exercise and practice every evening. Any girl is eligible to become a member of the drill team. Tryouts, judged by a committee of students and faculty, are held each fall and spring to give new students a chance to participate on the team. The Comets this winter have performed to the music of: "Rock Around the Clock," "Sweet Georgia Brown," and the theme from "The Rockford Files," "Beer Barrel Polka," "Sweet Georgia Brown," and "Pock Around the Clock." and visit a place of interest to add to your cultural knowledge. Listed below are several better-known points of interest and their bus routes.

THE GUTHRIE THEATRE/WALKER ART CENTER—Take bus 21A eastbound on University Avenue to downtown Minneapolis, and transfer on Fifth and Hennepin to 6A which will take you directly to the center. The Walker Art Center has a noted collection of jade, plus modern art and sculpture. The Guthrie is noted for their famous repertory theatre.

THEATRE HALL—Take bus 21A on the corner of Marshall and Hamline in Minneapolis. Transfer to bus number 19, Home of the Minnesota Orchestra and Concert Hall for musical performance.

THE ST. PAUL ARTS AND SCIENCE CENTER/CHIMERA THEATRE—Take bus 16A westbound on University Avenue to downtown St. Paul, and off at Tenth and Cedar.

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Shalom — a strong word for today — a word capable of conveying many meanings — a greeting, a word of peace, wholeness, completeness, health, goodness, prosperity.

Shalom — not something we attain by our own efforts but a gift from God who is the source of grace and the giver of every perfect gift.

For the Christian, Jesus Christ is our shalom. He is the one who brings fulfillment, peace, and contentment to our lives. It is He who restores and reconciles us to God through His death and resurrection, and even as He has broken down the barrier that separates us from God, so also does He create new relationships of love and understanding among His people. Thus the word shalom, which has its roots in the Old Testament, finds its complete definition in the one whom we call Lord and Savior, the one whom we serve as our Shalom.

Professor Kathryn Schenk, Music Instructor

Christ Our Shalom

by Scott Snow

In searching for information, have you ever looked endlessly through the deep, dark vaults of the Buenger Memorial Library? Well, this is doubtful because there are no such ancient vaults. In fact the library is very up-to-date and can serve as one of the most useful tools on campus.

The library of Concordia College attempts to acquire and distribute materials which students and faculty need to help them continue with their educational experiences.

The Buenger Memorial Library includes many special collections besides its general book collection. These special collections contain varied types of study aids including records, tapes, film loops, slides, and microfilm among others.

The library also offers greater access to material, the library participates in CLIC, a process which locates and brings materials not originally available in our own library.

While all these tools are of great importance to students in their use of the library, one of the best and probably least used sources in the library is the Librarian. Both Mr. Glenn Offerman, Head Librarian, and Miss Margaret Horn, Cataloging Librarian, put great emphasis on the communications between students and the library staff.

Offerman stated, "I don't think most students realize the value of asking questions. Comments about the library serve as a favor to the library and the school as a whole. Communication about problems and needs are very, very valuable."
Comets start post-season play

by Dan Walt

The Northwest girls basketball team, which had a 12-1 record at press time, yesterday began action in the MSWCA Girls State Basketball Tournament.

The tournament, which ends Saturday, involves the top 16 teams in the state. Included are Northwest State of Marshall (ranked number one), the University of Minnesota (ranked second) and Concordia Moorhead (ranked fourth). CSP, despite being the smallest college, enrollment-wise, is rated third.

Coachess Kathy and Jack Surridge are optimistic about the Comets' chances. "There's really not much difference between the top four teams," he noted. "Southwest and Concordia Moorhead both beat the U of M earlier, we've beaten Concordia Moorhead, twice, and the U of M beat us."

The bracketing for the tournament was determined by a seeding committee on the basis of record and schedule. The Comets first opponent is 14th ranked St. Olaf.

The openers for the tournament involve six teams. The games ended in a single elimination, and the first five nights of games will be held at the LMC on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, February 18-20. The championship game will be held at the LMC on Sunday, February 24.

The six teams involved in the LMC on Tuesday night were:
- Minnesota State Moorhead (ranked second)
- Concordia Moorhead
- Southwest State of Marshall (ranked number one)
- University of Minnesota
- CSP
- Moorhead (ranked fourth)

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- Moorhead

"It's all up in the air," said Surridge. "We have a chance to build understanding and appreciation for the game."

Most of the teams played a zone defense, which helped them concentrate more fully on their opponents. The second tournament in the LMC will take place in the LMC on Saturday, February 23.

The past six Wednesday nights at the LMC involved Women's Intramural. Seen in action are Sue Peteman, Sharon Kroeger, Mary Koschinske, Cordelia Marxique, Pam Beyer, and ref Doris Hess.

Girls' intramural was big success

The women's intramural basketball program has blossomed this year, and even the approximately sixty girls who comprise the six teams. The games began after Christmas vacation, ending in a single elimination, consolation round tournament in late February. Championship games were played Wednesday night, February 18.

Many of the girls had played basketball in high school and the program helped them brush up on forgotten skills. For those who had never played it was a chance to build understanding and appreciation for the game."

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Soccer team starts practicing for Fall

by Terry Grzybowski

Is February too early for soccer practice to begin? The soccer team does not think so. The girls soccer team has been holding their own weekly practices for the past month.

The practices, organized by sophomore Glenn White, take place in the LMC on Sunday from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The kind of soccer they play in the gym is very similar to hockey. The girls are similar to those in hockey. The game is much faster and intense and the use of the walls gives it a new dimension. Players feel the inside practice is helping them pass and trapping. They also work with the goal being their height, the inside practice is helping them keep their shot lower.

Practice will continue in the gym until weather permits it to be moved outside. So far, from 8 to 12 players have been showing up every Sunday.

Anyone interested in joining in the Sunday practices should contact Glenn White, Wolfsberg 316.

One new feature for Men's Intramural was the addition of a JV vs. Intramural All-Stars game, won by the JV (in dark), 91-70.Shown in action from the game are Chris Hass (23), Wally Resner (50), Mark Schultz (41), Mark Gingras (45), Dave Kellerman (35), Broderick Bell (50), and Joe Schulzelshe (13).

Quilts on Exhibit

An art exhibit of quilts, assembled by Mrs. R. H. Kelly of Minneapolis, will be displayed in the Butte Music Center March 2 through April 2.

Mrs. Kelly has an avid interest in quilting, an art which was brought to America with the first settlers, where it flowered into a true folk art.

Seven of Mrs. Kelly's quilts will be shown, a combination of old traditional quilts and some made recently. The quilts will illustrate artistic expression, techniques, and a history of quilts in America.

Men's intramural ends season play

by Craig Hergert

The men's intramural basketball season comes to a close this Sunday with the final night of tournaments in both the A and B division.

The tournament began last Sunday and Thursday. Sunday's games will include the A and B championship games as well as the consolation final in both divisions.

Gary Schultz, the student organizer of the program, commented on the intramural season. Concerning the change in time of the games Gary said, "That decision came out in a meeting between Coach Hendrickson and I. Our support helped the entire program run as smooth as it did."

Another reason the program ran smoothly was the general improvement in the officiating of the games. Schultz put considerable effort into seeing that things were kept under control. "Officials were interviewed and told what I expected of them," he explained. "They were kept on for the reason of keeping control of the game."

Schultz added that when students serve as referees, there is one thing to take into consideration. "They are official as well as peers," he said, "and for that reason the discussions get a little more rough.

Gary was pleased with both the player and fan turnout for the program. "Not only were we over 100 participants, but the fans kept up with us," he said.

In closing Gary remarked about being ready to do more next year by saying, "No matter what you do, you're never going to please everyone."

The intramural basketball season was a success.