CSP Welcomes

New Dean

By Kellie Baker

Many of you may have noticed that there is a new man on our campus here at Concordia St. Paul. Well, if you are wondering what his name is or who he happens to be, just keep reading and you will soon find out.

A few days ago Dean Tesch was interviewed to see who he is and what brought him to Concordia.

The first question asked was what brought him to Concordia? He replied "I have always respected the Concordia community. I love being involved in the college learning process, and I strive on the energy that college students possess."

What are the overall hopes and prayers for this year at Concordia? "My first concern is I would like to have the opportunity to know a large number of students on a personal basis and to be able to relate to them that I want to know about them and to be able to let them know about me."

What changes are you hoping to make this year at Concordia? "To be able to create a type of pathway for students to see that there are people to whom they can go with things such as a personal concern, or even a complaint. I would also like to make students aware that there doesn't have to be a middleman for every process or step they take. Students should feel that they have the right to confide in me and that they should not hesitate about my job, but because I am concerned."

How do you like CSP thus far? "I am very excited about the coming year at Concordia, and so far I have found the atmosphere here at Concordia to be upbeat. I am also very impressed by the quality of respect of the students, staff and faculty."

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In the past, this has meant that the Senate would recruit workers in the event that the Office of Financial Aid could not provide sufficient student workers as well as representing the wishes of the student population before the Cabinet.

Initially, Kirshbaum continued, the bank was intended to safeguard large sums of money that students may have. At present, however, the largest number of transactions consists of check cashing.

Check cashing can be a very costly service. Not only is there the charge for each check that the bank turns over to a commercial bank, but the quantity of these transactions multiplies the number of hours required to maintain bank records. These costs, as well as the estimated $50 cost of processing a Non-Sufficient Funds transaction, make the service, according to Kirshbaum, too costly to continue. The reduction of the withdrawal limit was intended to lower these costs.

When asked how he would like to correct the banking operation, Kirshbaum stated that he would like to see students doing their banking off-campus. The depository function of the bank, he continued, could remain, but off-campus banking could benefit both the student and the Business Office.

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The Student Bank, Is It Really A Student Service?

By Paul Lauer

How much do you have in the Student Bank? Could you withdraw your funds if you needed them? These questions and more are being raised currently by students concerning the policies and operations of Concordia's Student Bank. In response, the Senate, Business Office and President's Cabinet continue to evaluate the idea of policy, control and operation of the Student Bank.

Student Senate President Jonas Nissen reported to The Sword that interest in this area was becoming a prime issue to students and so also to the Student Senate due to the recent reduction in the limit of the amount allowed for withdrawal. Previously, a student could withdraw $50 from an account without providing prior notice to the business office. This policy, however, was changed to a $25 limit. "Students were complaining to their Senate (representatives) and also to the business office directly", explained Nissen.

The main concern, according to Nissen, was that this policy was changed without first having consulted the Student Senate. "We didn't know who had made the policy change or why", he continued, "and students were coming to us for answers."

The resultant action of the Senate was to petition the Business Office to raise the withdrawal limit to $50. Included also in the petition were other issues that were discovered in the light of this topic. Nissen added that the main concern at that time was primarily the withdrawal limit.

By the time the petition was completed and presented to the Business Office, the limit had already been returned to the original limit of $50. Again, the Senate had not been consulted or notified. Additionally, a list of student bank policies had been posted in the Bank window to include the statement, "Policies are made only by the Cabinet and it is Student Senate's responsibility to keep the banks staffed and running smoothly."

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Better Service Anticipated With Switchboard Move

By Marijo White

The Concordia switchboard has made a move up in the world. For several years the switchboard was located on the main floor of the Student Union, but was moved to the Public Relations office in the Administration Building.

The decision was made by the Union Board and the Senate. The move was contemplated for a long time and was also planned before students returned from Christmas break, so the student workers could be prepared when they came in on Monday.

The need to move the switchboard was mainly because of the location. During the school hours, there was too much Union noise and traffic that was distracting the desk workers. The student workers have the job of representing Concordia and of course their main goal is to concentrate on their telephone manners when trying to serve students asking for assistance. The workers were unable to give full attention to the phone, and people also felt that the Director of Operations, Earl Breuer, was overworked from dealing both the Student Union and the switchboard.

The switchboard is mainly a Public Relations source. The move has been good because more attention has been directed at the incoming phone calls. The majority of the calls are for the faculty or are informational and with the new location and less noise the more important phone calls can be given more con-
**Senate Scene**

By Jonas Nissen

Every full-time student currently taking classes pays around $15 per quarter in Student Fees. This is an increase of seven dollars over last year, which was around eight dollars per quarter. Student Fees is the money students pay to the Senator. The money has been increased from last year's budget of one percent of tuition. This increase was voted on and passed by the entire student body.

So what is the Student Senate doing with their money? To start with, $2,550 goes back to the student body in the form of funding for clubs, such as AKA, Missions, Discovery Club, and BSU. The Student Senate budget for this year is $5,255 which is an increase of $2,775. This increase allows the paper to use a better publisher and to put out a much higher quality paper. The Scribe, or the yearbook, has a budget of around $500 compared to last year's budget of $260. Due to this increase, the Scribe staff will no longer charge students for their yearbooks. Some students from last year may remember that they were charged five dollars for a yearbook.

The Student Senate's fee has increased from $100 to $550. Campus Activities budget this year is $2,200, compared to last year's budget of $1,550. The increase in Student Fees also allows Student Senate to fund some groups which haven't been funded by the Senate in the past, like Convocation Committee, Heath Committee, Culture Committee, and Intramural Sports. A few of these groups also receive funding from other departments.

Due to this increase in Student Fees, Student Senate has increased its budgets in almost all areas (for more detail on the increases, talk to your Student Representative). These increases have allowed the Senate to work in many more areas and to do a better, more efficient job. In previous years, Senate has been somewhat handicapped due to finances. The constitutional change, which sets the Student Fees at one percent of tuition, should prevent the Senate from becoming handicapped again.

By Carolyn Trittin

The Student Senate Executive Board attended the Association of Students in Higher Education-Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (ASHE-LCMS) which began on January 16 and proceeded through January 19 at Concordia College in Mequon, Wisconsin. The ASHE-LCMS began last fall and is involved in synodical colleges that congregated almost all areas (for more detail on the increases, talk to your Student Senate Representative).

The specific objectives that were compiled by those colleges present last year (Ann Arbor, Austin, Irvine, River Forest, Mequon, and St. Paul) were as follows to: 1. foster the Christian unity which exists among our synodical schools and to appease the pertinent needs of faculty, students, and administration; 2. provide a means of effective communication between member schools and the Board for Professional Educational Services (BPES), leading to a beneficial exchange of ideas and programs for improving religious, social, and academic life; 3. to provide a means of effective communication between interested groups and institutions for improving religious, social and academic life; 4. to serve as a support group to train leaders, and to provide resources for improving religious, social and academic life; and 5. to act as a facilitator for student projects of service to the church.

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Word Color Tears

Like a clown you laughed making no sound.
You ran your hand through the wind
Caressed your sunset hair.
Your eyes always smiled, even if your lips curved down.
You never cried. But now you've walked away.
Of course you're sad, you'd have cried watercolor tears.

Kimberlee Grage

Leaving

This top of the sun rest when you leave the highest mountain this evening.
I watched in sadness as it slipped into the depths of the Pacific and my plane moved ever onward from palm trees to snow.

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**Spiritual Life**

**Here we are, rolling into the winter quarter, one in which all sorts of opportunities for fun (not sun) may be found — like a cantata, the all-campus devo, all-campus devotional, ice hockey, snowmen, women, and children, skiing, snow fights, and all other sorts of cold and cold activities exist. During the season such as this, one must be careful of the cold, lest a frostbite may set in — a state in which sensation may become numbed and a feeling (if its even there) fluctuates from a cold to a warm to a burning pain. So too, with so much else going on around campus, we must be careful lest a spiritual frostbite set in — in one in which our feelings for and time for our Savior and Lord become numbed. During the hectic winter times, we need as always to set aside special moments for private prayer, praise, and meditation with our God and Creator. You are encouraged to use the prayer chapel, set up specifically for this purpose. Here you will find a quiet atmosphere of worship, along with meditation, devotional, and other materials provided for you. You may come as little or as often as you wish. Take advantage of these place provided for you. The prayer chapel is located in the tunnel just past the AV center on the northeast side right below the fire exit to the library (the door you can never get in). When you feel the need to be alone with God, it waits for you.

Feeling sad, lonely, and left out because your fashionable face or pretty pose did not appear on the smiling screen at the special close-of-the-quarter slide show/devotion sponsored by Spiritual Life before break? Getting ready to bang your head because you heard how much fun everyone had and you wish you could be there? Never fear, for Spiritual Life will be again sponsoring a close-of-the-quarter all-campus devo this winter with a special slide show once again. We can't promise you another cantata like the last time, but just you rest assured that we'll have something special in store for you. So back to getting ready for this event, which will be in February, and when you see that MadMan Matt Camera Cracking Kuschel running around the campus flashin' people everywhere, remember that your least expected moment may very well be the one that is captured by Kodak to be viewed by all at the end of winter quarter.

The SWORD is the official publication of Concordia Student Association, ARA and the Union; each week it will be giving the details as to where the van will be leaving, and where it will be leaving from. Hitch a ride with us, and may your transportation worries be over.
Tuition

The board for professional educational services suggests the following measures to keep concordia affordable. A minimum faculty to student ratio of 15 to 1 is necessary; the current ratio is 16.6 to 1. Concordia would like as a maximum a faculty to staff ratio of 4.5 to 1, the current ratio is 1.2 to 1. The student staff ratio is 13.6 to 1. The board adds, "This is a significant percent of Concordia's income breakdown. Other income sources come from a broad range of sources, including government student aid and syndical allowances. Current plans include an 8% increase in tuition with the forecast of fall-enrollment.

Wellness Week

Wellness Week At Concordia January 20-26

The student health advisory committee (SHAC) has declared this entire week as Wellness Week.

Do you ever wonder why some people age so much faster than others? To be certain, some of the causes are genetic, but a key to a good part of body's aging lies in what we do, or don't do.

Some habits age us visibly (wrinkles from smoking), and some habits contribute to invisible aging (improper stress handling leads to high blood pressure). Some habits are risky (not wearing seat belts).

It is really predictable that if you will change your lifestyle habits that are in charge of them.

SHAC's goal for Wellness Week is to increase your awareness of the importance of lifestyle on your future and to provide information and resources that will help you as you travel your road to wellness.

A good beginning is to pick your health risk analysis in the health center. The personal statistical report results from the health history you filled out prior to coming to Concordia. The analysis keys your risk of dying of various causes. However, there is clearly an association between getting a disorder and dying from it. Actions you take to reduce your risk of dying of something also reduce your risk of getting it or becoming disabled.

We hope you will learn more about your health and how to improve it through your own actions. While none of these measures are certain, some of the causes are genetic, but a key to a good part of body's aging lies in what we do, or don't do.

The most important thing to remember about your lifestyle habits is that you are in charge of them.

Jim Bostian

Exposed

By Kimberlee Grage

Everyone knows Jim Bostian, don't they? Walk by the maintenance offices and check out the dark-haired gentleman relaxing in the retiree-type chair — that's him.

But resting in an easy chair certainly isn't the only thing Bostian does at Concordia. In fact, you're more apt to find him anywhere else but in that chair.

Bostian attended Marshalltown Community College in Iowa for one year, then served in the Navy in the Vietnam War for four years. He then completed another half year at the community college.

During his free time, what little of it there is, Bostian enjoys hunting, fishing, golf, and downhill skiing.

He and his wife of 12 years live in the Circle Pines area of St. Paul.

So if anyone ever has a maintenance problem on campus, just call Jim Bostian — he'll be glad to help!

Get Personal

For Valentine's Day

By Kimberlee Grage

Personal is the New Professional

Valentine's Day is on its way. By Valentine's Day, Valentine should have been a published author. For further information, call X351 or X353.
Men's Basketball
to C.I.T. with a 2:14 record. Assistant
Coach Jarvis Keys said that in order to
win the annual event, the Comets will
to have "with a lot of pride." The
team finished the 1985 tournament in sec-
ond place behind the host school,
Concordia-River Forest.
Juniors Paul Hagen and Kreigh Dob-
bins and sophomore Rob Mohr lead the
Comet attack in a running style of play
that is used especially against taller
teams. According to Keys, the Comets
rely on quickness to "make up for lack
of height." Keys added that not having
any seniors means that every game is exper-
imental.
With a tough schedule preceding the
tournament, the Comets hope to have
gained what will be needed to win the
tournament. Keys added that hosting the
tournament is a big advantage. Winning
will be a matter of "not giving it up on
the home court."

C.I.T.: a 35 Year Concordia Tradition

By Carla Garms

Many of you may have been hearing
small talk of C.I.T. the past couple weeks
and may even be wondering what is so special about C.I.T.
Let me provide you with some insights
of C.I.T. For starters, C.I.T. stands for
Concordia Invitational Tournament. It
has been a CSP tradition the last 35 years.
The tournament is comprised of the men’s and women’s basketball
teams of Concordia-River Forest, IL; Concordia-
Seward, NE.; Concordia-St. Paul, MN;
the men’s team of Concordia Seminary-
ry, MO; and the women’s team of St. John’s-Winfield, Kansas.
Last year the tournament was held at Concordia-
River Forest, IL. Where our very own
Comet fans did not forget their roots
while our men brought in a proud 2nd
place. C.I.T. is a traveling tournament
where the Lady Comets have compiled a record of 5-3 going into C.I.T.

Coach Jack Surridge sees leadership and experience as a definite factor in
this season’s and C.I.T. success. With leadership
from Seniors Jolene Bam-
nett, Dave Asbury and Deb Harms, the
Lady Comets hope to put it all together
and come out on top in defense of their
C.I.T. and Conference titles.

Lack of height, especially against big-
ger schools may be the only weakness the Lady Comets possess. Speed makes
up for the shortness of the team. The
Comets run and press their opponents
from the opening jump to the final buzzer. According to Surridge, the team
can’t afford to play a half-court game,
especially against big teams.”
The team’s toughest opponent for
C.I.T. appears to be Concordia-Seward,
who is the top seed going into the tour-
ament. Defending the championship
may be tough for the team, but,”We’re
tough at home.” Surridge commented,
“so that’s an advantage.”

Women Cagers Up to Pace For C.I.T.

By Michelle Fust

The Women’s Basketball team has
been progressing at another
championship-season pace. With their
speed, quickness and aggressive style
of play, the Lady Comets have com-
piled a record of 5-3 going into C.I.T.

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cordia College," which was the source of all of this article’s memories.

The team consists of seven men. Dave
Langweisch, the captain, is in his third
year at Concordia. He wrestled here as
a freshman then took his sophomore
year off. He is also the coach’s right
hand man. “While I’m running around
gathering all the paperwork done, Dave
helps me keep the practice sessions
on schedule,” said Coach Benson.

The rest of the team consists of Jon
Gadow, sophomore, at Heavyweight;
Don Deanisat, 116 and 126; Tom Puffe
at 128; Dave LeBorious at 138; Bob
Nyhuis at 185; and Pat Ulmer at 167
are all the freshmen on the team.

The remainder of the season holds a
full schedule for our wrestlers all at the
meets being away from home. So, when
you see one of the Comet wrestlers, wish
them luck.

Wrestling Program Strengthened This Season

By Pete LeBorious

This year’s wrestling team is being
headed by Coach Pat Benson. Pat was
an assistant football coach this fall and,
when asked to become the new wrestl-
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heading by Coach Pat Benson. Pat was
taken on as an assistant football coach this fall, and,
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ing coach, he said, “I just couldn’t
refuse the opportunity.” Pat Bashen
wrestled here at Concordia as a
sophomore, and now is the coach of the
men’s and women’s wrestling teams.

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And our last memory is a story of student enthusiasm. Before 1940 Concordia Col-
lege transported its athletes in a 1925 Buick, then, later, a 1926 Cadillac. But in
Christmas 1939, a member of the Club, Herbert Mix, handed Professor Stor
a one dollar bill with the words, “This is for the bus fund. The Club paid for it for
caroling.” The students became excited over the idea and enthusiastically per-
formed their routines. The students also entertained the audience with original drills and pantomines.

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