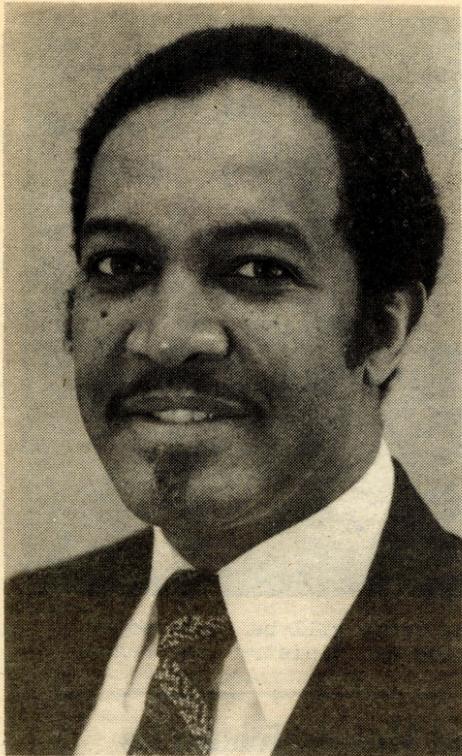


1980 Mission and Ministry Conference

by Susan Shirley



James Forbes, above, and Sarah Snell, right, will be featured at the 1980 Mission and Ministry Conference, "Living Parables".



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Southeastern's 1980 Mission and Ministry Conference, "Living Parables," will be held on our campus the weekend of February 22-24. The seminars and addresses will focus upon issues of missions and ministry for the 1980s which are of interest to the college and seminary student. There is no registration fee for the seminary community.

Presenting their "living parables" during the weekend will be the following special personalities:

Sarah Brooks Snell, Southern Baptist missionary to Indonesia, holds her degrees from Wake Forest University and Furman University, and attended Southeastern Seminary. She was previously a home and church worker in Taegu, Korea. Ms. Snell currently works in the women's department of the Union of Indonesia Baptist Churches in literacy evangelism.

James Forbes was educated at Howard University, Union Theological Seminary, Medical College of Virginia and Colgate Rochester Divinity School. He has done campus ministry, pastoral and educational work in Virginia, North Carolina and New York City. He is presently Associate Professor of Worship and Homiletics at Union Theological Seminary of New York.

Linda Cates has recorded for Broadman Press in the musicals "Celebrate Life," "Hello World," "Lightshine," "Encounter," "Joy," and "The Common Cup." She has also recorded several songs for The New Wayside Son, and has toured throughout the United States and in several foreign countries.

Bill Cates is a writer, arranger, and producer who co-authored the musicals "Encounter," "Joy," "The Common Cup," "The Fabric of Freedom," and "Remembrances." He has his own recording company, The New Wayside Song. Bill and Linda reside in Nashville, Tennessee.

Preceding the conference activities on Friday, the Student Development office will host "Seminary Day." This is an opportunity for prospective students to survey the Southeastern campus and become acquainted with its people.

Conference activities will include a performance of the musical "Acts" by the seminary choir, a mission and ministry fair, a concert, a student-faculty talent show, and an organ recital by Dr. James Good, in addition to addresses and small seminars.

"Living Parables" is your conference, in that you are an integral part of the seminary community. We urge your participation and support in the forms of providing housing for students, performing in the talent show, attending the conference and publicizing the conference in your home churches and campuses. We on the planning committee see this campus as an ideal place for such a weekend, as this is the setting in which the concepts of missions and ministry are always growing, changing and being challenged.

For more information, please contact one of the following members of the planning committee:

Susan Shirley, Chris Walker, Pam Stephens, David Shirley, Beverly Kaufman, Diane Gurney, Greg Gurney, Jo Ann Wright, Jim Scarborough, John Steely, Glenn Miller, Luke Smith and Jerry Niswonger.

Christmas drama to be repeated

"Sing Us a True Song", the outstanding Christmas drama presented under the sponsorship of the Arts Committee of the Student Council last Thursday night, will be repeated on Thursday, December 13 at 10 a.m.

The drama, brought back by popular demand, features Jeanette Lipe as "O Holy Night", the central character in the play. Mrs. Barbara Morrow serves as her accompanist.

Other characters are played by Dennis Melton, Lynn Hamner, Bill Fryar, Tommy Huggins, Kent Louthier, Houck Bong Kwan, Jim Neely, and Sandi Evans.

Gene Ghent served as director for the production, with Jim Johnson as his assistant. The performance will be held in either Binkley Chapel or in Appleby Chapel, the exact location to be announced.

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Biblical authority to be discussed in Jan.

"The Conference is for those Baptists who are seeking a clear and positive expression of the authority of the Bible in their lives," President W. Randall Lolley said when asked about the Conference on Biblical Authority at Southeastern on January 29-30, 1980.

"Our people have a concern to know what Southeastern Seminary believes and teaches about the Bible," Lolley continued. "The Conference will give us a chance to affirm those beliefs and teachings, and give Baptists an opportunity to hear and talk with those who teach their students and future ministers."

Featured among the speakers will be Herschel H. Hobbs, pastor-emeritus of First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and former president of the Southern Baptist Convention. Hobbs also chaired the committee which recommended the Baptist Faith and Message Statement adopted by the Convention in 1963. The Statement, which may be used as a doctrinal guideline by Southern Baptist boards and agencies, covers 17 areas of doctrine and missions, all of which are supported by Biblical references.

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Helen Falls to speak at Missionary Day Dec. 4

Helem Emery Falls, Professor of Missions at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, will be the speaker at Missionary Day on December 4. She will be speaking in Binkley Chapel at 10 a.m.

Falls previously was the Dean of Women and Associate Professor of Missions at the Baptist Bible Institute. She is the author of numerous articles in Southern Baptist periodicals, serves as a curriculum writer for the Woman's Missionary Union and the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and served as the missions editor for Volume III of the Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists.

FIM Workshop for seniors announced

If you're a graduating senior and would like to know more about job placement, resumes, and ministry opportunities around the world, the 1980 Winter Formation in Ministry Workshop should be of interest to you.

To be held on the campus on January 21, 1980, the ministry will feature representatives from SBC Home and Foreign Mission Boards; the Baptist State Conventions of North Carolina and Pennsylvania/South Jersey; a Baptist association in N.C., and other agencies.

There will be two sessions during the one-day event. The first, covering resume preparation and special placement problems (for divorcees, single ministers, and women), will begin at 4:00 p.m. and last until 5:30 p.m. After dinner, at 6:30 p.m., sessions on formal and informal placement help in the SBC, including information on mission opportunities, will be conducted. Our own placement services at Southeastern will be discussed.

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George Frederick Handel's "Messiah" will be presented by the Southeastern Seminary Choir and an orchestra from the Triangle area on Tuesday, December 4 at 8 p.m. in Binkley Chapel. Ben S. Johnson, Professor of Music, will conduct the concert.

The orchestra of professional musicians was made possible by a grant from the Music Performance Trust Fund of the American Federation of Musicians. Barbara Morrow, Instructor of Church Music at Southeastern, will be the organist with the orchestra. The orchestra was selected by Professor Phyllis Garris of Meredith College.

Soloists for the performance will be David Johnson, Robert Tilley, Carol Hill, Phyllis Mayo, Betty Campbell, Ginger Smith, Diane Gurney, Robert Sparks, and Tom Greene.

There will be no admission charge for the performance and the public is invited.

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Letters to the Editor

To the editor,

I am appalled and embarrassed. It was my privilege to have a guest, a college student, on campus with me last week. While I attended a class, he found his way to the recreation room on the second floor of Mackie Hall. He soon had to leave, however, because of the foul language, actions and attitudes of the people there. I know that, as American adults, we are free to say and do what we please. Is it not our responsibility, however, to God and our fellow human beings, as supposedly "called" people, to clean up our act?

Greg Price

A Personal Note

How can futility become strength?

by Dennis Melton

These are indeed trying times we live in. Our country writhes with frustration at a seemingly impossible situation in Iran. Meanwhile millions go hungry in Cambodia. Before the Iran crisis, we were concerned with Soviet troops in Cuba. African nations are at war with one another.

At home, gasoline prices climb. Some families are forced to choose between heating their homes and feeding their families. The elderly are hit hard by inflation.

All this is not to mention significant personal problems which many of us face: marriage, pregnancy, death, and personal suffering. We don't see our families enough. We worry about the kids and the influences on them. Our spouses often go wanting in attention because of heavy workloads.

And speaking of work, our churches seem to demand more and more out of us, often squabbling over petty matters and passing over more important things. It begins to get to you after awhile.

And, with all this coming at us, we tend to feel guilty when we want just a few minutes to ourselves. Just an hour to be with spouses and children, or to pray or just walk. And we feel alone, trapped by the weight of responsibility.

Now, it seems to be a common problem that we, the ministers to the world, think of ourselves as the saviors of the world. That's great when things are sailing along, but in times like these, it seems that we just can't deal with the pressure. We can't solve everything.

And that, folks, is precisely the point. We can't. And it won't do any good for us to let all of the problems of the world become our responsibility. We are not the saviors of the world. It seems to me that the most healthy thing that we can do when faced with seemingly insurmountable problems is to admit our inability to control everything. We're not in control. We can't be. And once we realize that and accept it, we are freed to live again.

Though it seems ironic, it may be that the only way that we can conquer the weight of the world is to admit our powerlessness under it. Our strength to minister may be in admitting our weakness, and our lack of control.

No, we're not the saviors of the world. However, we are agents of the Savior of people. And that's good enough for me.

Biblical Authority Conf.

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A major address will also be given by Donald E. Cook, Professor of New Testament. Cook, a former pastor and on the faculty since 1965, will deal with the study and interpretation of the Bible from both the devotional and scholarly points of view.

President W. Randall Lolley will close the Conference on Wednesday night with a sermon on the relationship of Jesus Christ to the Bible. The closing worship will include congregations from the churches in the Wake Forest area.

"We want those who attend the Conference to have an opportunity for a free exchange of ideas," Lolley said. "An important feature will be an open forum for questions, answers, and discussion with our faculty, students and Dr. Hobbs. It will be a time for an honest sharing of concerns and for raising questions. I believe the forum will be one of the most helpful events during the Conference," he concluded.

The Conference will be open to all members of Southern Baptist churches, ministers and laypersons. There will be no registration fee, but the seminary requests those who wish to attend to contact the Office of Communications. Arrangements and costs for meals and housing will be the responsibility of each participant.

Joy: in learning, life, and witness

by Rita Lawrence Rogers

Many of the faculty and staff here at Southeastern will remember Dr. Bernard Boyd. Dr. Boyd, a professor of religion at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, was a frequent chapel speaker here.

He died one month into the fall semester of 1975. I was a senior at the time and was enrolled in one of his classes.

I will never forget the contagious excitement Dr. Boyd created in his classrooms. As he led us in search of understanding Job, Amos and Hosea, we amazingly, excitedly, discovered God.

As the sensations of spiritual uplifting faded, I headed for seminary to replenish my "soul." Somehow, I never found another Dr. Boyd; perhaps that was what I was looking for. Each of us comes for different reasons--but each of us has "felt" the excitement, somewhere, of "knowing God."

Have we as students failed in not seeking God or have our teachers failed in not demonstrating the excitement of discovery and learning that ignites an excitement in pupils? Perhaps neither has failed; perhaps both.

Or perhaps we simply came to a point where learning becomes computer-like, lacking in joy. There is a element of sadness in it all, students miserably agonizing over Systematic exams and research papers.

But have we then, to settle for an occasional joy, occasional sparks of life, occasional renewals of spiritual vitality? Or should we expect it as a daily privilege and seek it out?

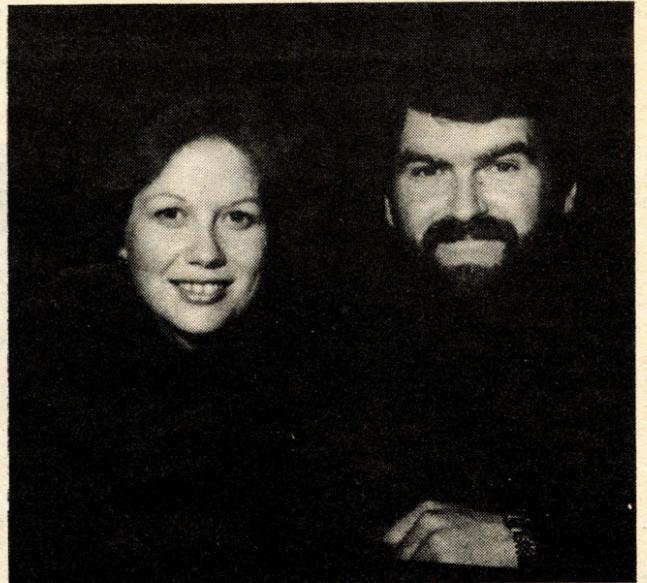
It is idealistic in a sense, yes, but without joy, it seems to me, that we are not really reaching God and without genuine joy there can be no true witness to others that what we possess is any different from that which the world possesses.

Tax seminar to be held

by James F. Jacobs

At the beginning of the Spring semester the Student Council will sponsor a short income tax session taught by Mrs. Sylvia Lorenz and James F. Jacobs. The purpose of the session is to help the seminary community to become aware of deductions that are legal. This course will also help one to know what the government considers income.

The session is free to all seminary students and faculty. The dates will be announced the first part of January in the Campus Bulletin. Both of us are looking forward to seeing all of you in January at the session.



Bill and Linda Cates will be featured at the 1980 Mission and Ministry Conference, Feb. 22-24

Intellectual Monasticism: its causes, impact, and remedies

by David Upshaw

Many students are experiencing tension due to their studies. A survey taken last year indicates over 50% of the student body experiencing high stress due to academics. How can we deal with this situation? We are in an institution committed to academic excellence. Many times we get so involved in our intellectual endeavors that we isolate ourselves from others. There are several reasons for this occurrence. Some people feel as if they should learn everything since God called them to seminary. The seemingly impossible workload produces guilt when one attempts to do something besides study. All of us have been programmed to get grades. We often work for the grade and not the learning. The "A" becomes our standard as we prepare for ministry.

There are several things students can do in order to avoid the intellectual trap and still maintain academic quality. Most students at Southeastern will be going into the pastorate; very few will be involved in further intellectual pursuits. A "C" is what is expected of students, not the "A." Churches aren't as interested in our grades as they are in whether we can minister. God can use a person even if they flunk New Testament. Our goal is to prepare ourselves for ministry, not make impressive grades. Develop study habits that enhance your learning, be selective of the course load you take in relation to your other responsibilities. Be sensitive to the fact that if you have a church, family and are taking 16 hours, someone is going to suffer. Develop a "private church" where you can share tensions and find mutual support. Be sensitive to God's Spirit in your studies and work. We need all the help on our test that we can get. Schedule a time for private devotions. Don't allow the Living Word to become a tool that you are studying and working with but allow it to speak to your life. Be aware that you are a part of a community committed to preparing itself for ministry. Don't isolate yourself during your time here but let us minister to one another as we learn and grow together.

Notes.....

We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Literary edition of The Enquiry. Since we still do not have enough material to put out an issue this semester, we will continue to accept material and hopefully be able to publish early next semester.

The Business Office reminds all students that all accounts must be paid in full in the Business Office prior to registration for the Spring Semester, 1980.

To all of you:
● A Blessed Christmas, and a Hopeful
● New Year! -- The Enquiry staff

Refugee sponsorship undertaken by Council

by Nancy Unterzuber

Stunned by reports from Southeast Asia, the world, waits, tensed for the next injustices and paralyzed by a sense of helplessness. Shaking off despair, the Seminary and the community of Wake Forest have united to make a positive response.

Motivated to ease this human suffering, the Student Council initiated action to sponsor a refugee family. Within six months, a family of up to eight people will move into Wake Forest, but the responsibilities of sponsorship will not end with an invitation to join our community. Sponsorship entails providing housing, employment, language development and transportation. With the assistance of members of Wake Forest Baptist Church, committees have been formed to manage these tasks.

The ministry of sponsorship will never be accomplished, however, if it is limited to a group of committee chairmen. There are ways that every member of the community can be involved. Essential household items, such as a table, chairs, beds and appliances, can be donated to the Housing Committee. If every student donated one dollar to collections in the Business Office and the Student Affairs Office, nearly all the cash necessary to settle the family would be available. Imagine the experiences that the refugee family has faced and repond sensitively with ideas to the committees:

Kenneth Bradshaw, Job Committee 365-4720
Bill Walker, Housing Committee 556-1641
Noel Pace, Language Committee 872-6725
Ed & Judy Barnes, Transportation Committee 556-5212

Iran, buildings stressed at President's Forum

Student concern over the Iranian crisis and seminary buildings highlighted the November President's Forum, held on Friday the 16th in the cafeteria. The need for information on course requirements was also expressed.

One student asked President Randall Lolley about an announced student demonstration of support for American hostages in Iran to be held in the near future. While Lolley did not know any details of the proposed demonstration, he said, "I'm a little disappointed that we as students, faculty, and administration haven't done something to show our concern over what might be the greatest crisis for our nation in recent history." He mentioned that, like national leaders, we might hold a prayer vigil for the hostages.

One student expressed frustration at the state of campus buildings. He wondered if some of the \$500,000 being used to renovate Lea Lab building might better be used to renovate other campus buildings. Another student mentioned the bad condition of desks in classrooms.

Lolley said that money being used to renovate Lea Lab comes from private and foundation donations that were given especially to renovate the historic building. Money to renovate other buildings is included in Cooperative Program funds used for the scheduled 5-year building plan.

A concern over course data was expressed. A student noted that it was hard to make decisions about signing up for courses with no information from the professor as to requirements.

Lolley mentioned that the idea of having course syllabi on file in the library had been brought up, but had not been acted upon. He added that the best source of information about class requirements and goals is the professor himself.

David Upshaw, student council president, said that nearly \$500 has been raised for the seminary sponsorship of an Asian refugee family. Housing is now being arranged, and the family should be here within about 6 months.

Book prices were of concern to students. While everyone acknowledged that book prices were high on campus, Lolley held no hope for any sort of seminary-run bookstore; he added that it probably would not reduce prices anyway. Student council representatives said that plans were being made for a used-book sale in the future.

Christmas is coming: rejoice and be glad!

by Fred E. Schuszler

Events to rekindle Christmas spirit

by Dennis Melton

Bah, humbug!

If that's your attitude toward Christmas this year because of schoolwork, church obligations, or general headaches, it might be a good idea to help re-infuse Christmas spirit by taking advantages of some of the pre-holiday entertainment events in the Triangle area.

Remember "Gilligan's Island" on TV? Remember Dawn Wells, who played Mary Ann? She's going to be starring in the Neil Simon comedy "Chapter Two" at Stewart Theater of NCSU in Raleigh. The comedy, to be held on Saturday, December 8 at 4 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. is about Simon's first few weeks with his wife, actress Marsha Mason. Tickets, which may be in short supply, are \$5.50 for students.

In Chapel Hill, the New Music Ensemble will perform student compositions on Thursday, Dec. 6 at 8 P.m. in Hill Hall. The fall concert of the Carolina Dancers will be Thursday and Friday, Dec. 6 and 7, at 8 p.m. in Memorial Hall. Admission is \$2.

Want to know how to arrange holiday greenery? A workshop on that subject will be held on Saturday, Dec. 8, from 9 a.m. until noon at the N.C. Botanical Gardens in Chapel Hill. The \$6 registration fee will include materials to make wreaths and other green ornaments.

An exhibit featuring works around the theme of Clement Moore's poem, "The Night Before Christmas" will be presented through January 15 in the Rare Book Room of Wilson Library at UNC. Norman Rockwell paintings, rare editions of the poem, matchbook covers and other items will be shown.

Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" will be presented in dramatic form by the UNC Department of Dramatic Art in the Paul Green Theater Thursday, Dec. 6 through Sunday, Dec. 9 at 8 p.m. for the first three nights, 10 a.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, and at 5 p.m. on Sunday. The tickets are \$4, but group rates are available.

For those in want of a strange experience, a laser light show called "Laser Visions" will be shown through December in the Morehead Planetarium in Chapel Hill. The show is a laser concert to classical and popular music selections. Showings are Thursday-Saturday at 9:15 p.m., Friday and Saturday at 10:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at 4:15 p.m. Admission is \$3.00 for adults and \$2.75 for children and students.

However, keep in mind that the Morehead Planetarium says consistently that members

I am the shepherd,
Pasturing my petty problems
Prodding my banal burdens
Guarding my flock of daily fears.
I will not alter my weary watch
Of existential earth concerns
To see the searing seraphim show
Burst above this blank worldly night.
I will not hear herald host
Boldly bathed in haloed glow
Glorify new born Christ king.
I would rather not know of his birth,
Its mirthful meaning would make it hard to live
In a terrain where all is tentative.
Am I to worship this bearer of abundant life,
This kindler of firestrife? No -
Thank you - I will not go.
The white hot hope of heaven
Will not shine on me.
I prefer the gray doubt of everyday.
Excuse me - I yawn -
I will doze dully on.

Good Shepherd
I have taken
The green pastures of thy presence
For granted.
And forsaken
The still waters of thy salvation
For deserts of despair.
Disdained
Glad tidings and great joy of gospel
For valleys of the shadow of spiritual sloth.
Refrained
The bleatings of sophisticated fleece
While the comfort of thy staff
Led me safely in paths of peace.

Glorious God
I am like the shepherd
And in practice like a sheep.
I pray thee Lord
My soul to keep
From commonplace coat
And soporific fold.
Shear my sheep senses
Of too warm wool.
Let in the chill
Of Christmas cheer.
Quicken my ear to hear
The fearsome choir
Shoutsinging your praise
For the greatness of your gift
And the little you require.

of the clergy are admitted free at all times.

Finally, remember the traditional Christmas pageant "Star of Bethlehem" at the Morehead Planetarium through January 14. Shows are daily at 8 p.m.; 11, 1 and 3 p.m., Saturday, and 2 and 3 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$2.50 for adults, 1.75 for senior citizens and students and \$1.25 for children through age 11.

Or, if you're broke, you can sit out under the stars yourself and think about the specialness of this time of year.

Now, don't you feel better.
Don't answer that.

"Finding My Ministering Place"

Formation in Ministry Workshop For Graduating Seniors

Information on: Resume preparation
Baptist placement assistance
Interviewing

January 21, 4-9 p.m.

Register NOW with FIM office to attend --
Deadline JANUARY 15!

Women's b-ball report

With two games left in the pre-holiday season, the women's basketball championship is firmly decided. The Ginger Snaps, coached appropriately enough by Ginger Barfield, has won every game, compiling a 6-0 record. The blue team also has the league's two leading scorers.

Mello Yello, coached by Woody Massey, has a 2-5 record. (Three guesses what color they wear.) The Baby Hulks, coached by Dennis Melton, also have a 2-5 record.

The success of the blue Ginger Snaps has been largely due to the play of coach Barfield, the league's second-leading scorer with 55 total points over 5 games (11 per game ave.), and Karen Craig, the league's leading scorer with an amazing 100 points over 5 games (20 per game ave.). Debra Griffis of the green Baby Hulks is the league's third leading scorer with 48 points in 5 games (9.6 per game ave.) The leading scorer for Mello Yello is Joyce McKay, who has 43 points in 6 games for a 7.16 average.

The play has been exciting, although thoroughly dominated by the Ginger Snaps. Decisions of 1 or 2 points have been common, although the Snaps have won by 16 at times.

The games before Christmas will wrap up on Tuesday afternoon at 5 p.m., when the Ginger Snaps take on Mello Yello, and Thursday night at 7:30, when the Hulks play the Ginger Snaps.

by Lee Scripture

The league all stars have been announced. The eleven man squad consists of Rick Auten, (coach) and Ken Boaz from the Bearded Wonders; Keithen Tucker and Chuch Rice from the Boys from Brazil; Jack Glasgow and Dee Vaughn from the Time Outs; Steve Cromer and Ken Kessler from the Primates; Shot in the Dark's William Reader; Steve Sheppe of the Mad Bombers and Tommy Huggins from the Killer Bees.

They will play the first place team, the Laughables on December 4th.

The game will be held at 4 p.m. with the women's contest schedule for 5:10 p.m. the same day.

DeKalb presents joy, pain of life

As the lights dim for a concert, any concert, you can't help wondering what it will be like. You expect almost any professional musician to be good, but you wonder whether he or she will be good enough to be special. Can she reach you; can he find where the love, the joy and the pain lie deep within you?

On November 8, some of us waited again to find the answer from Kay Dekalb, a 25-year-old singer from Nashville. We hoped, as we sat waiting, that something inside her would reach something inside us.

It did.

To be asked to describe Kay Dekalb's style is to be assigned to frustration. It's not that she doesn't have one--she has so many. She's comic, almost silly, at times, and some folks really love that. She's almost painfully self-revealing at times, and some folks are touched by that. She's a clown and a preacher and childish and mature and . . .

To be sure, not everyone appreciates all parts of her performance equally, but nearly everyone finds some part of Kay that they can relate to. She says that she tries to bring joy into the church, but you observe how close she has lived to pain and to frustration. In short, she's a normal child of God.

The traveling life of a professional musician can be lonely and tiring. Often, Kay travels alone, and sometimes with one accompanist. "Sure, it gets hard sometimes," she says, "and if I weren't absolutely sure that this was what the Lord wanted for me, I'd give up. But that's just it. I'm positive this is my ministry right now."

"My prayer is that the Lord will make me a fragrant aroma for Him," she says. Kay feels strongly that God has called her to this ministry and will provide for her needs.

What she may not realize is that God's provision for all our needs is partly carried out through her. With her jokes, the bad ones as well as the good; her voice; her personal sharing; she makes each evening in her presence something special. Something worth waiting-- and wondering-- about.

Men's basketball: Laughables leading

by Lee Scripture

With the season just over a third gone and the semester break upon us, early season results have the Laughables in first place with a 5-0 record. Anything but laughable to their opposition, the Laughables have used the stronginside game of Bill Ross to carry them to an undefeated season so far. Ross is the league's leading scorer with a 19.2 point per game average and ranks third in both field goal percentage (56%) and Free throw percentage (76%). The Laughables lead in scoring per game with a 45.6 average and also in defense allowing only 32.4 points to opponents.

Rounding out the remainder of the league, the record shows the Bearded Wonders and the Boys From Brazil tied for second at 4-1, Time Outs at 3-2, Primates 2-3, Mad Bombers and Shot in the Dark both at 1-4 and the Killer Bees in the cellar at 0-5.

Top scoring teams behind the leader are Bearded Wonders hitting 45.4 points per game and Primates at 43.4. The Boys from Brazil have next to the stingiest defense giving up only 33.8 points while the Time Outs have allowed but 34.2.

Leading in field goal percentages are Boys with 44%, Laughables with 43%, and the Mad Bombers at 42%. From the charity stripe the Time Outs are cashing in at a 67% rate, Laughables at 65% and the Primates at 64%.

Leading scorers behind Ross are Ken Boaz (15.4), Tommy Huggins (14.2), Steve Sheppe (13.3), William Reader (12.8), Steve Cromer (11.2) and Chuck Rice (11.2). Grover Blackburn leads in field goal percentage with 67, Ike Patterson is second with 63. Cromer leads from the free throw line with 82% and Rick Allison is hitting at 80%.

Senior workshop

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People who attend can expect to receive help in preparing a resume, in utilizing Baptist placement services, in collecting resources for beginning and ending ministries, and in learning interviewing skills.

Charles Dorman, Director of Student/Field Ministries, stresses that anyone who wishes to participate must register for the conference, and registration information can be picked up outside the Formation in Ministry office. Although the deadline for registration is January 15, Dorman said that it would be helpful if students could register before the holidays.

All students who will complete degree programs during 1980 are encouraged to attend. Those who wish help in preparing a resume should prepare on to take to the conference.

December graduation not dead, but 100 potential graduates needed

by David Upshaw

In case you might be wondering whatever happened to the idea of a December graduation at Southeastern, a request was made on behalf of the student body to the faculty in their October meeting. This request pointed to the overcrowding in Binkley chapel during the last May graduation, the inconvenience of returning for May graduation to students who complete their work in December, and other factors making a December graduation advisable and feasible.

The request posed the suggestion that a December commencement could take place during the chapel hour at 10 a.m. While extra work would be required of the faculty, business office and registrar, it was felt that the problems were not insurmountable, and that students would be willing to work toward this end by taking exams early and by ordering caps and gowns in October.

In response to this request, the faculty voted to reaffirm their position taken in February of 1979. This action reads as follows:

" . . . no December graduation be considered feasible until such time as the total number

Library Lines

By Reference Services

Have you ever thought of having a computer help you locate material for a research paper? The Historical Commission, SBC, has for the past several years operated a program called the Baptist Information Retrieval System (BIRS) which can supply you with information on a variety of topics.

Sources from which references can be obtained included forty-eight Southern Baptist periodicals; Baptist papers from Alabama, Kentucky, North Carolina and Texas; Baptist press releases; Executive Committee, SBC, Minutes; Convention annuals; and archival collections.

What is the cost? A charge of \$6.00 is made for each search of the data base. This will provide the inquirer with a maximum of a two page print-out listing articles about a specific topic. Additional pages are provided for \$1.00 per page.

How long does it take? The inquirer should have a response within thirty days.

A current thesaurus of search terms for BIRS is available at the Reference Desk.

Library Hours, December 14 - January 15:

Dec. 14	(Friday)	8:00-4:30
Dec. 17-21	(Mon-Friday)	8:00-4:30
Dec. 24-28	(Mon-Friday)	Not open
Dec. 31	(Monday)	8:00-4:30
Jan. 1	(Tuesday)	Not open
Jan. 2-4	(Wed-Friday)	8:00-4:30
Jan. 7-11	(Mon-Friday)	8:00-4:30
Jan. 14	(Monday)	8:00-4:30
Jan. 15	(Tuesday)	7:45 a.m.- 10:30 p.m.

PLAY FAIR! Many periodicals, reference books, and other materials have been reported missing. Is a grade really that important in the light of eternal values? Confidence in the integrity of library uses has been shown through the practice of allowing open access to valuable books and materials (often irreplaceable) including the back issues of periodicals. The regulations which exist are directed toward providing the best possible services for the largest number of people--in a word, STEWARDSHIP. Each user of the library, by accepting its privileges, is contracting to share jointly in this stewardship. Please be considerate.

WOMEN AND THE CHURCH is a new collection of materials now available on microfiche in the Reference Collection. This set includes over 100 books and articles in English written during the 19th century. They illustrate various interpretations of the role of women during New Testament times and within organized religion. While these titles are not listed in the card catalog, several subject headings beginning with the term WOMEN will refer to the microfiche collection. A complete listing, alphabetized by author, can be found in a booklet on top of the microfiche cabinet as you enter the Reference Services area.

of students eligible for graduation shall exceed 100, that the Faculty reaffirm the policy of granting permission for graduation in absentia through the Dean's Office to students who have justifiable cause for such a request and who submit their requests to the Dean in writing no later than ten days prior to the date on which they are scheduled to graduate."

The action of the faculty is an indication of their desire to provide a meaningful graduation experience without making hardships on anyone. If a December graduation was held and all eligible had to graduate then those who may wish to wait until the Spring would be forced to finish in December. To avoid this type of action the faculty felt that out of 100 potential graduates enough would want to finish to make it meaningful. Steps are being taken by the Graduation Committee to obtain information about the number of December graduates so that the students will not have that responsibility. Let me clarify that the action of the faculty does not require 100 December graduates but 100 potential graduates. Students must apply for graduation in the Business Office and indicate time for graduation.