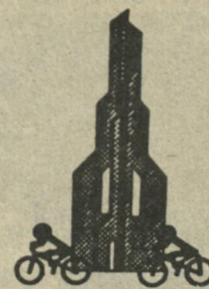




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"Ye shall know the truth"

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## Felon spotted on campus

by David J. Chamberlin  
editor

A suspicious white male in his early-to-mid-30s has been spotted on campus riding a bike around campus acting suspiciously. The man is approximately 6 feet 6 inches tall, 300 pounds, with brown hair and brown eyes. He has a mustache and stutters when he speaks.

The man was first spotted at 11:19 p.m. Friday, April 29 riding a red bicycle around the campus. He was seen behind the theater building wearing a brown stocking cap and brown coat, the campus safety complaint report said.

He was seen again an hour later riding his bicycle near the library, an

anonymous caller stated in the report.

When campus safety apprehended the individual at 12:25 a.m. Saturday, April 30, he was found sitting next to his bicycle on the pavement of the patio at the library.

According to a memorandum issued by Mike Row, campus safety director, to all of the campus safety officers, "the individual is a convicted felon, out on probation, and has extreme sexually deviate impulses."

The subject was been advised by the Blackford County Circuit Court Judge and Row, that he will be arrested and charged with criminal trespassing if he is caught on campus again.

Students should remember to go out in pairs, lock their doors and take the other necessary precautions.

Those students who would like an escort home may contact the escort service from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. daily at x5207, pager number 013. The escort service is co-sponsored by TSO and campus safety.

If it is after 2 a.m., students may contact campus safety at x5396 for an escort home.

If any student sees a male matching this description on campus, DO NOT APPROACH HIM, but call x5555 immediately.

Campus safety would not release the individual's prior record.

## Chapel to recognize achievements

Ava Archibald  
staff reporter

This year's recognition convocation chapel has not only changed its name, it has also changed its format to fit into the chapel hour.

What is now being called Honors Chapel will no longer include numerous academic awards and scholarships.

Some academic awards will be given followed by honor society recognition. Next will be the athletic awards honoring the male and female athletes, followed by the leadership and service awards.

Faculty and staff recognition will close the chapel service, which will last no longer than an hour.

"We cut it to an hour because we felt that with classes on the half hour, moving them back even further would make it too late in the day," Moore said.

The scholarship banquet and honor's chapel will continue to remain separate in the years to come.

"We hope to keep improving both of them," Moore said.

"A decision was made to have a special awards and scholarship banquet in September," said Rebecca Moore, assistant to the dean of the university. "We wanted to allow

recipients as well as donors a chance to be honored."

According to Moore, the name was changed to Honors Chapel to encourage students to attend. "Students usually associate convocation with something boring so we changed the name hoping to draw students there to really support their fellow peers."

A special recognition will be given to the class of 1994 this year by Dr. Dwight Jessup, vice president of academic affairs and dean of the university. Moore said that this will honor the seniors' accomplishments throughout the past four years.



WHERE'S WALTER?—Walt Campbell, associate vice president/dean of students, launches a shot during Tuesday evening's donkey basketball game.

photo by Nathan Beighley

## Harrison to retire

by Michelle Greenawalt  
associate editor

After serving at Taylor for 31 years, Dr. George Harrison, professor of biology, will retire this year.

In addition to being a professor, Harrison served as head of the biology department from 1973-83.

Since he began at Taylor in 1963, many campus changes have taken place.

"The greatest visible change is in the physical facilities of the campus. The buildings have nearly all been constructed since I came," he said.

Several changes have occurred in the biology department as well. When Harrison came to Taylor, the biology department was housed in the yellow canary building.

The Nussbaum Science Center was built in 1967 and had "kind of a unique groundbreaking ceremony," he said. The ceremony involved explosives and colorful smoke.

According to Harrison, there are benefits to being associated with Taylor. One benefit is "being a part of an organization that has certain basic premises that everyone subscribes to," he said.

Other benefits are the relationships he has made with colleagues and students.

"There have been some students with whom I've developed lasting friendships," he said.

Over the years, Harrison has preferred teaching the course of ornithology, the study of birds. He also enjoyed teaching summer biology courses at what is now the Au Sable Institute in northern Michigan.

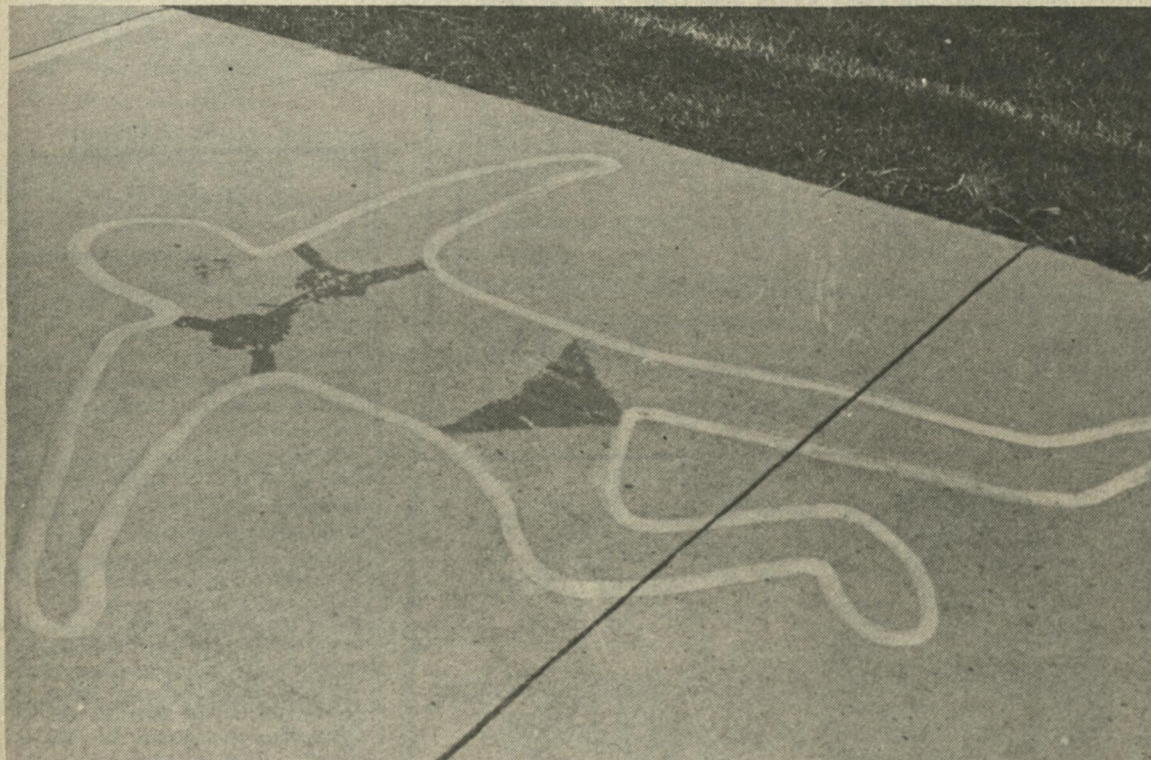
"It's a great setting for teaching general biology and environmental science," he said.

Before coming to Taylor, Harrison taught one year in junior high school and five years in high school.

"This makes 37 years of teaching for me," he said.

Upon retirement, Harrison and his wife plan to travel more extensively. He also plans to do some reading. "I anticipate being able to spend more time in the Zondervan Library," he said.

Harrison and his wife Anna, have two daughters and two granddaughters.



THE MARK OF TRADITION—Campus visitors may not understand the significance of this piece of Taylor's history. Nevertheless, this gender-inclusive symbol enters yet another year as the painful reminder of the cost of the Saturday race. The trike race begins at 1:15 p.m., followed by the bike race at 2:10 p.m.

photo by Nathan Beighley



# Letters to the editor



**A DECENT PROPOSAL**—A surprised Stephanie Hamilton, senior, receives senior Eric Marcotte's proposal in the D.C. last Friday.  
*photo by Nathan Beighley*

## Little Theatre to host final production tomorrow

by Julie Gonnering  
*from basic reporting*

Tomorrow night's final performance of "Steel Magnolias" marks the end of this production and seven seasons of Taylor drama in the Little Theatre.

After its predecessor burned in the 1986 Helena Hall fire, Dr. Oliver Hubbard, professor of communication arts, designed the Little Theatre from a former reference room in the old Ayres Library.

He has also helped in planning the new Mitchell Theatre, to be housed in the completed Rupp Communication Arts Center.

While he treasures memories of the Little Theatre, Hubbard is looking forward to the challenge the new facility's capabilities will present. Members of the "Steel

Magnolias" cast echo his sentiments.

The Little Theatre "has so many memories and so much character—so many wonderful things went on there," senior Karen Stafford (M'Lynn in the play), said.

"I'm sad not to be in the new building, but I don't feel like I've missed out on anything," she said.

Jena Habegger, Truvy in the play, added that the history and "comfortable, close-knit" atmosphere of the Little Theatre will be missed, but "the new building will be so incredible. There will be new lighting and equipment and more potential for professional looking shows."

Construction of the new theatre is on schedule, and should be completed for the 1994-95 season, Dr. Dale Jackson, communication arts department chair, said.

### Letters to the editor submissions:

Do you have something you want to share with the campus? An opinion or experience? Letters to the editor are accepted, but they must be no longer than 200 words in length and **must be signed by the writer.**

Letters must be submitted by **8 p.m. Tuesday** to *The Echo* office for publication in that week's issue. *The Echo* office is located upstairs in the Student Union.

Dear Editor,

Thanks for the nice write-up on me finishing my doctorate. I'd like to clear up a couple of items that might have been misleading.

First, I received my doctorate and my doctorate fellowship from the University of S.W. Louisiana after I took my MFA degree from the University of Iowa.

Second, I hope it was clear to the readers that the line, "that's Dr. Hill if you don't mind" was yours, not mine. Students can call me Mr. Hill, Professor Hill, Dr. Hill, Richard Hill, or Rick Hill - nobody can call me Ricky but my mom, otherwise I have no preference.

Keep up the good work.

Dr. Richard Hill,  
assistant professor of English

Dear Editor,

As a four year member, captain, and representative of the class of 1993 team, I can say with pride that Taylathon is a serious tradition.

In order to demonstrate this attitude, let me take you inside my mind as I recount the weeks preceding last year's race...

After months of working to achieve daily dedication to my conditioning, seeking to constantly encourage and motivate my teammates as I implored them to seek 100 percent in our endeavor, and striving for personal excellence, I was crestfallen to remember that I had been shot in the thigh with a BB 10 years ago. I discovered that it had traveled down my leg and imbedded itself in my knee, and learn

that I would need arthroscopic surgery to remove it - all before Taylathon.

I resolved in my mind to "come back" and experience my final opportunity to race, if not on the bike, alongside my teammates as their captain and coach.

In our pursuit of perfection, we practiced as 6 a.m. several times a week for over a month.

You know the rest.

This race has come to mean much more to me, however, than riding a bike. Through my Taylathon fortunes, I have experienced several valuable lessons: finishing what you've started, developing unity and teamwork, and giving 100 percent to whatever task you undertake..

Sincerely,  
Mark Leedy, Class of '93



**SHOOT WITH STYLE**—Senior Matt Dimos takes his traditional stand, content before the "Whirlwind" in the student union. Successful at a recent regional pinball tournament, Dimos also partici-

pated in the world pinball championship in April. A long-time resident of Sammy 2, Dimos is frequently found with other Morris pinball wizards in front of the game.  
*photo by Nathan Beighley*

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# Students to receive new IDs

by Randy Dillinger  
campus editor

Students are lining up these days to get their picture taken at the campus safety office. Don't worry, though, they're not getting mug shots, and they probably won't find their pictures on any wanted posters. These pictures are being taken for a new ID system that will go into effect next fall.

The new system offers many advantages over the one currently in use, which has had problems with bar codes and was found to be inefficient. Students were unsatisfied with the card, said Mike Row, director of campus safety. It was not durable enough to withstand day to day stress.

The new ID's will be made of a more durable material similar to credit cards and will feature a computer-enhanced black and white photo of the student. A single bar code will be used that will consoli-

date library and food services. The bar code itself will be very durable, almost ingrained in the card itself, Row said. There have been many problems with the current bar codes smudging or not scanning.

The new ID's will also feature a magnetic strip on the reverse side which can be used for further applications, such as vending machines that operate on credit. However, there are no immediate plans to add any new features at this time, Row said.

This particular ID system was chosen by a group of students, faculty and staff, who surveyed other colleges to find out what systems they were using. The entire software package used to create the cards was purchased from DataCard Corporation, said David Woodall, systems and development leader.

"The only programming that we did was to configure the system to our specifications," he said. "This included the format of the bar codes

and the layout of the card."

While much work has already been done on the new ID system, the finished product will not be available until the fall. For now, returning students are asked to come to the campus safety office between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, through the end of finals week to get their picture taken. Anyone who misses these dates may also have this done in the fall, Row said.

Students will be required to turn in their current ID's to campus safety in exchange for the new ones. If current ID's are not turned in, students will be required to pay a \$15 replacement fee. But once the new system is in use, ID's will be replaced with greater ease, as student photos and other information will already be saved on computer.

"I really believe the new system is going to increase our service capabilities," said Row. "We're very happy to have it installed."

# Dimos plays at pinball tourney

by Randy Dillinger  
campus editor

Just a few short weeks ago, senior Matt Dimos found himself at the pinnacle of pinball wizardry. Yet now, more than ever, he is convinced that there is nothing more down to earth than a leisurely game of non-competitive pinball.

Dimos traveled with his brother and two other friends to Chicago, April 22 to compete in the world pinball championship held at the Clarion Hotel. He competed in the open division, which was generally less competitive than the pin master division. That didn't help Dimos a whole lot, however.

"I lost every game I played," he said. "The people I played against were pretty competitive."

According to Dimos, the world championship is nothing to lose sleep over. Even though the winner received \$900 and over \$25,000 was given away in prizes, each competitor had to pay to play. Over 300 people competed at the championship, was open to anyone who happened to be there with a few quarters to spend.

"The world championship is just something to get people interested in pinball," Dimos said. "A lot of people played just to have fun."

It also provided pinball players with an opportunity to practice their skills on games that have not yet been released. According to Dimos, one game that was extremely popular at the championship and is due out this summer, is World Cup Soccer.

Dimos had better luck at the regional pinball tournament in Kenosha, Wis., March 4-5. He won the open singles division there.

"I just happened to have a good day then, but I had a bad day a couple weeks ago," he said. "It only goes to show that pinball is for fun and if you take it too seriously, you're stupid."

The competitions have also given Dimos a chance to spend time with friends he has met on the pinball bulletin board, which he accesses through the VAX.

It wasn't until he was in high school that Dimos started to play pinball. A friend of his introduced him to the pastime, and he became "instantly addicted." He had never been to a championship before this semester.

Dimos learned of the regional tournament when he and his brother

John, a Taylor sophomore, were at a pinball convention in September. There, he read about the competition in an advertisement by the IFPA (International Flipper Pinball Association), the organization that holds the championships.

"But that's not real pinball," Dimos said.

Real pinball, according to the 22-year-old art/Christian ed. major, is made of road trips to out of the way places and spending time with friends.

"Going to these competitions, where everything is so formal and competitive, made me appreciate that there is nothing like going to a seedy cafe or a truck stop and shooting the silver ball with the guys," he said. "You don't bring girls to play pinball."

According to Dimos, the best place to play pinball is at the Huntington 76 truck stop.

# My 2 Cents Worth

by Melissa Halpern  
*Bits and pieces of Taylor we will miss*



ATTENTION ALL SENIORS: 133 DOWN, THREE TO GO.

Oh, the comforting (dare I say) confines of

Taylor University.

Can we fathom life after the Bell Tower?

Do we dare ponder what it will be like to move beyond the village border?

In my opinion, after all that is what this column (not article, Watuna) is based on, you are not human if you don't think you'll miss some aspect of Taylor.

Even if your parents threatened to cut you out of their will if you didn't go to Taylor and you have hated every single class, chapel and activity, you still cannot deny that you will miss the friends, the fun and the fields of Taylor University.

But, I would be sorely mistaken if I didn't admit there are some things to which we can all say goodbye, au revoir, ciao, auf Wiedersehen, sayonara, hasta la vista—I think you get the picture.

Some of these things we will miss some of them we will not.

You decide which are which.

Surely, we will miss the fried chicken on Sundays and pizza on Fridays.

And, what about the academic convocation chapel?

Speaking of chapel, do you think we will find a seat when we come back for Homecoming? Or, do you think we will get a "Holy Kiss" from Pastor Chuck?

I know I'll miss free drink refills with grill cups. Although, I still think free refills should last until your cup rots, not one day.

We will miss telling the neighbors to, "TURN IT DOWN!"

We will miss *Provocation* and all of the other close-minded opinions on campus.

What will we do without the Juice Sparkler machines?

And, speaking of the DC, darn we'll miss the fish du jour.

Without a doubt, when we leave Taylor we will long for the opportunity to go to the ETC one more time. Nowhere else will we have every single resource at our disposal for making, creating and computing.

We will wish we could hear one more fallacy buster from Win. Some of us were cool enough to even be mentioned in a fallacy buster on the test.

We will miss the union couple.

Spring will roll around and we will want to wear our class colors and watch a bike race.

We will pick up the phone and realize telephone numbers have seven digits, not four.

We will miss not being able to tell how many years our co-workers have been employed at the office because they haven't lined all of their annual parking stickers in a row on the back of their cars. (Hello! The idea is to *remove* the old sticker.)

We will miss driving a half hour to make a run for the border.

We will miss knowing it is time to study when we hear the Taylor School Song echoing through the breeze.

Some of us will miss the community showers.

We will be at a loss without the abbreviations often mentioned by PAs and DCs in places like the DC and the TSO offices.

All the irresponsible ID losers will miss the challenge of sneaking past Mickey and Viola.

We will miss the Morris smell.

And what about those edited Taylor movies?

Heck, we'll even miss the Bell Tower.

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# The tradition rolls on

## Bikers, trikers set to 'hit the sidewalks'

by David J. Chamberlin  
editor

The last note at the Bell Tower Sing-A-Long has been sung and the last donkey basketball shot has been taken. Now, it's time for the real excitement to begin.

Drum roll, please...  
It's Taylathon time! Yes, the moment is finally upon us.

Tomorrow, the bikers and trikers from their respective classes will line up behind the starting line waiting for the crack of the gun, and their chance to donate some skin to the sidewalks.

The winner will of Taylathon will receive 400 points. The classes finishing in second, third and fourth will receive 300, 200 and 100 points, respectively.

Right now, the freshman class is in first place and the juniors, sophomore and seniors, are in second, third and fourth place, respectively.

The race is the culmination of Spirit Week, and the class with the most points after the race would normally receive possession of the Trojan Horse, but once again, it's missing.  
"I got a call from in the fall from

someone in the mods and he said that he had it," senior Amy Pletcher, president of the Inter-Class Council (ICC), said.

"The seniors class captured the horse after planning to 'steal' it for three days, and then we hid it behind the maintenance building," she said. "It hasn't been seen since."

"It really makes me mad that people who think it's stupid (the Trojan horse competition) take it," Pletcher said. "If people think it's stupid, they should leave it alone."

The women trikers will make their entrance at 1 p.m., followed by the trike race at 1:15 p.m.

The Taylathon teams will be introduced at 1:45 p.m., followed by the national anthem. The race will begin at 2:10 p.m.

"If there is a chance of rain, we will move the start of the race up," Pletcher said. "If we get rained out, the race will take place at 4:30 p.m. Monday."

And when a rider donates their skin to the sidewalk tomorrow, remember... "All Taylathon riders are made of 100 percent recyclable material."



TAYLATHON CAPTAINS—Dave Burden (fr.), Chris Gygi (so.), Joe Johns (sr.), Andy T. Peterson (jr.)  
photo by Nathan Beighley

## Taylathon teams ready to race

by Scott Balyo  
sports editor

For the senior class, Taylathon offers the opportunity to hit the course and the sidewalk one last time.

Joe Johns captains this year's squad, and he looks forward to a successful campaign.

The team consists of eight riders including Mike Falder, Jeff Schmela, Tim Smith, Jeff Green, Landy Glavach, Shawn Vaughn, and Joel Eisenbraun, with Chris Wynkoop acting as catcher.

"I guess you could say that Mike Falder and I are co-captains. He was captain of the team for the first two years, and I have been captain since. He helps me out quite a bit and deserves a lot of credit," Johns said.

"Things look really positive right now. Seniors always have an advantage because of experience," he said. "Most people focus on speed, but the real key is riding without penalties. We should win barring any mechanical failures."

by Herb Harjes  
staff reporter

As the dew soaked grass glistens in the early morning sun, the silence is broken by the soft hum of two bicycle wheels. The bicycle is ridden surreptitiously as each of the eight junior riders practice for tomorrow's Taylathon.

"Anyone can win this race and we are very strong this year," Andy "Wheels" Peterson, team captain, said.

The team includes Peterson, Tim "Thunder" Blackiston, Eric "Spokes" Eklund, Eric "Swift" Mathews, Adam "Bud" Ness, Mark "Lightning" Reed, Nathan "Clutch"

Smith and Dan "Trunks" Teeter.

The team's strategy is simply to ride a perfect race and win.

"Penalties are death. Should the other teams make a mistake, we hope to be able to capitalize on that," Peterson said.

Their efforts, however, would all be in vain if not for the capable hands of Greg "Tree" Siefert. Siefert will be responsible for catching the junior riders as they careen toward the exchange box.

The junior team is also able to boast what they feel is a "kickin' paint job for their bike", rumored to be the best Taylathon has seen in many years.

by Paula Hartzler  
from basic reporting

The sophomore men's Taylathon team is led this year by Chris Gygi. He is a returning biker, as well as teammates Steve Wood, Will Hobbs, Rob Durbois, Aaron Brown and Aaron Anderson. First-year Emmitt Jones and Steve Richards round out the team.

The team has been preparing for the by practicing at 6 a.m. every day for the past two weeks. Team members feel that the practices are improving, especially over this past week.

With six returners, the team has experience.

"We have definitely more experience this year. However, we still have guys that don't have their exchanges down as well as others and that worries us a little. But by race day, we should be ready," Gygi said.

The Taylathon experience has different meanings to the team members.

"Taylathon's about making friends and building lasting inter-class rela-

tionships," Hobbs said.

"No, Taylathon's about getting up way too early and riding entirely too long," Jones said.

by Gary Reinwald  
from basic reporting

This year's freshman Taylathon team is led by Dave Burden. Other members include Ed Traub, Craig Helder, Matt Hartman, Scott Graber, Justin Moore, Justin Wisnewski and Dave Smith.

The team has been practicing a lot for the event.

"We practice every day at 5:45 a.m. and also in the evenings to build up our endurance," Burden said.

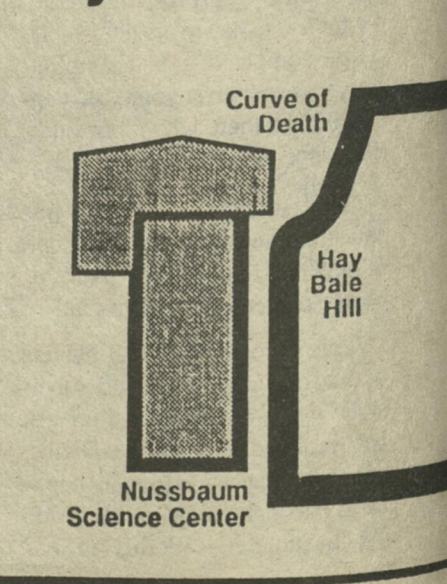
The team is optimistic about the race, but recognizes that experience plays a big factor in the race.

"Being freshmen it will be a little harder for us, but I think we're well prepared and will do just fine," he said.



THE SLAM DONKEY CONTEST—Sophomore Paula Hartzler lines up for a shot at the basket during the donkey basketball game Tuesday night. Students, faculty and staff participated in the event.  
photo by Nathan Beighley

### Taylathon race





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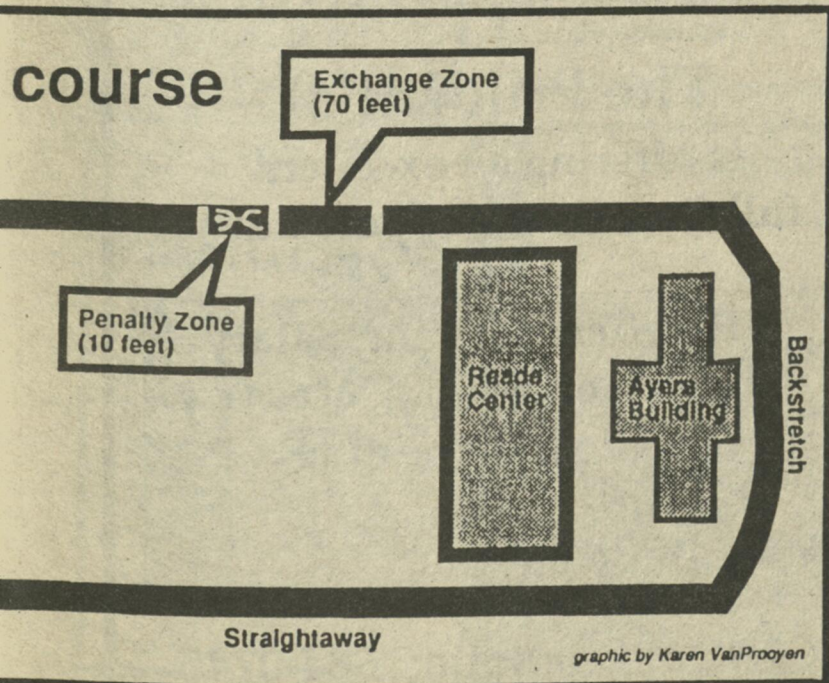
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**“Early to bed. . .Early to rise. . .Makes our men wheezy, queezy and a little sore in the thighs.”**



**A TRIKE BUILT FOR TWO**—Two members of the freshman trike team make a trade-off during a night practice.

photo by Nathan Beighley



graphic by Karen VanProoyen

## Trikers ready to race

by Laurie Hunderfund  
from basic reporting

The annual Taylathon trike race will be held this weekend, and each of the four teams will do their best to bring their class victory in this event sponsored by Inter-Class Council (ICC).

The girls have been practicing for about two weeks.

The senior trike team includes captain Shawna Palmateer and teammates Amy Pletcher, Sharon Delp, Mindy Anderson, Bria Thompson, Julie Adams, Erin Anderson and Michelle Romig.

Melissa Bostrom is the captain of the junior trike team. The girls racing with her are Susan Paulson, Sarah Heck, Lisa Hagestad, Holly Hilger, Elizabeth Hatton, Tara Bibbee and Amy Smith.

“We go out and practice at about 5:45 every morning with the guys. Every day there is a certain aspect of the race that we’re working on,” Bostrom said.

The sophomores are led by Jodi Simons. Her teammates include Traci Tiberi, Tracey Ritsema, Jana Weir, Jennifer Hamilton, Gretchen Newhouse, Paula Hartzler and Sarah Marshall.

Grace Morrison, Jennifer Gygi, Heather Sutton, Sharon Flick, Carrie Cramer, Gretchen Voskuil and Jen Byron are all part of the freshman trike team. Their captain is Jami Sonnenburg.

“We’re anticipating the fun and excitement of the race. It would be nice to win, but we’re doing it for a good time and not taking it too seriously,” Sonnenburg said.

There was a possibility of a change in the course for the race this year because of the construction of the new communications building. Both the men and women’s teams asked that it remain the same as last year.

**“The riders will be the first to tell you. . . It’s all in the exchange.”**



**THE FRESHMAN TRIKE TEAM**—(back row) Jen Byron, Sharon Flick, Grace Morrison, Heather Sutton, Jami Sonnenburg, (front row) Jennifer Gygi, Gretchen Voskuil, Carrie Cramer

photo by Nathan Beighley

## Trojan Horse waiting to make an appearance

by Craig Bridwell  
reprinted from the Oct. 15, 1982 issue of *The Echo*

Five years ago, a small, seemingly harmless wooden horse appeared on the Taylor campus as a part of an intramural competition. What to most people appeared to be an old, discarded child’s toy, quickly became an item of greed and obsession for many Taylor students.

To have possession of the Trojan horse was a prestigious position on campus. But it was also a highly sought after position, which meant the holder had to be constantly on guard trying to protect his prized possession.

The rules of the game were simple. Show the horse once every three weeks to a group of at least 200 people, within the specific boundaries. Supposedly all one had to do was touch the horse in order to capture it. But as the obsession to win the horse grew, the rules governing the game began to dwindle.

Fear of losing the horse caused its appearances to be almost nonexistent. Instead of waiting for the horse to be shown, bands of greedy students hunted the priceless stallion and began raiding dorm rooms and apartments in order to gain possession by stealing the infamous horse.

Resorting to such measures began to cause heated conflicts on

campus. Last spring, and when the situation got out of hand, Morris Hall Director, Jim Hendrix, confiscated the horse. Hendrix said that too much tension had built up in trying to gain possession of the horse, and the hall directors and administration felt the competition should cease before someone got hurt.

So the Trojan horse spent the summer with Hendrix, and remains in his possession now. But Hendrix stated that this doesn’t mean that the Trojan horse is dead.

“I told those who were involved last spring that if they wanted to start the competition again, they needed to submit a new set of guidelines that would make the game more orderly,” Hendrix said. But so far, he has received no new rules, so the horse is still waiting for the opportunity to make its first appearance this year.

According to Hendrix, anyone can draw up new guidelines and submit them to him. He said the rules should state where and how often the horse must be shown, as well as some system of maintaining order to prevent tense confrontations like those which occurred last year.

Hendrix said he will go over the guidelines with the other hall directors and the associate dean, and if everything seems to be in order, the Trojan horse will once again roam the pastures of Taylor University.



## Ringley battles cancer, undergoes treatment

by Scott Balyo  
sports editor

Sprained ankles, pulled muscles, an occasional bout with the flu, and cancer. Which of these is not a typical ailment for an athlete?

Not a very tough question is it?

For sophomore Kurt Ringley, this is not a question, but a reality.

It began in the spring of 1993, when he had testicular cancer. The tumor was removed and the doctor thought that he had gotten all of it.

"I was a little frustrated at the end of last school year, because I had missed weight lifting and the spring workouts," Ringley said.

Ringley began to go through the post-surgery routine of cat scans and x-rays—one each month for five years was the scheduled plan—to be sure there were no reoccurrence of the cancer.

There was.

Things were fine for awhile. Ringley began the basketball season and saw action in five contests, but in a February cat scan, a specialist at IU Medical Center in Indianapolis noticed a three millimeter notch in Ringley's left lung.

"The doctor thought that it was cancerous, but he wanted to wait and make sure. It was right before we went out to Idaho, so I had to wait until we got back to find out," he said.

Ringley waited, and waited. Even after returning from Idaho, the doctor was only 70 percent sure that the tumor was cancerous, so he wanted to be positive.

"It was pure hell, not knowing," Ringley said. "I was very frustrated."

Spring break came and went, and while others enjoyed a restful break, Ringley could only ponder the outcome and wait for the diagnosis.

The notch grew in size again, and the doctor was now 95 percent sure that it was cancerous.

Ringley started chemo-therapy two weeks ago. Chemo is a nine week process, which consists of five straight days of treatment followed by a two week rest.

The treatment started with being hooked up to an I.V. which ran saline solution through his body for five straight days.

"I started the actual chemo treatment at 8 p.m. the first night. The chemicals run through the body for about four hours, and there are five treatments, one for each day. I get twenty hours between treatments," he said.

"I didn't feel too much until the third night. They give you controls for nausea and vomiting, but for some reason you get this metallic taste in your mouth and you lose your appetite," he said. "I suddenly turned white and felt really sick."

Chemo affects your sense of smell, so food that has any kind of odor nauseates you," Ringley said.

So Ringley drank tea and ate crackers, while many of us complained about what was for dinner at the dining commons.

"It took about two and a half days after the last treatment before I started feeling okay again," he said.

It will take Ringley some time to regain his strength after the treatment, a side affect that unfortunately will only get worse as the treatments go on.

"I'm not able to play or lift weights, I can only shoot at this point. It is definitely frustrating," he said.

The end of the treatment is at least in sight for Ringley. June 3-7 will be his last five-day treatment, after which he will receive two shots of Bleomycin.

"I should be done for good on June 17th. It will take about four to six weeks before I am back at full strength," Ringley said.

The future looks bright for Kurt Ringley. He has faced the treatment with courage, and spoke with no amount of bitterness in his voice about the experience.

"I have had a lot of support and help," he said.

This support has come from his girlfriend of three years, freshman Amy Heindl, and his friends from the basketball team.

"Tim Taylor has been great, and all of the guys have really encouraged me," he said. "A day doesn't go by without someone telling me they have been thinking about me and praying for me. It is really helpful."

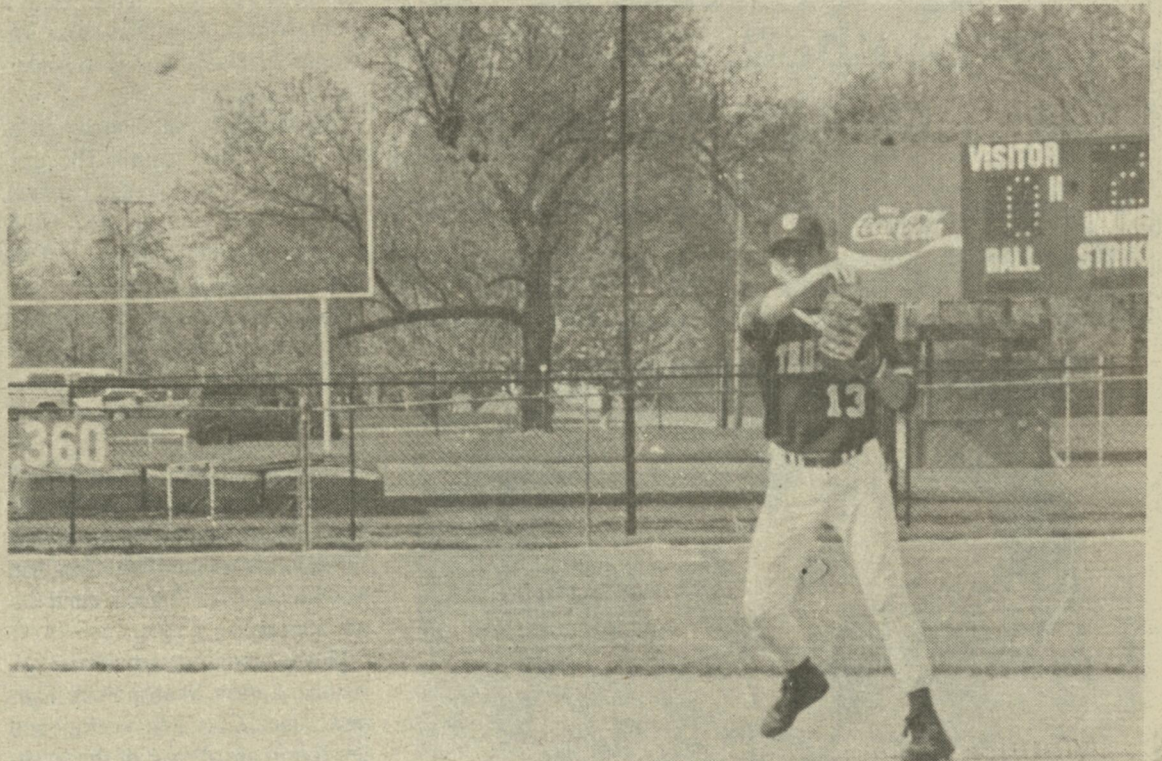
Ringley has been in good hands as his specialist at IU Medical Center, Dr. Einhorn, is in Ringley's words, "the Michael Jordan of Oncology."



**YOU MAKE THE CALL**—Sophomore Dirk Welch slides into home plate in the Trojan's 11-8, 5-2 sweep over Goshen in yesterday's doubleheader.

Junior Lance Ferguson picked up the win for Taylor. The Trojans conclude their season against Indiana Tech at home Saturday at 1 p.m.

photo by Nathan Beighley



**ALL BY HIMSELF**—Senior Tim Winterholter fires a throw to first during the Trojan's doubleheader sweep of Goshen yesterday. The Trojans are

currently 12-29, and hit three home runs in the games against the Maple Leafs. Taylor will close their season at home Saturday.

photo by Nathan Beighley

"He is really a genius," Ringley said. "He developed the cure for testicular cancer."

"I am definitely playing basketball next year. I will have about a month and half this summer to prepare for the preseason."

And after chemo-therapy, Coach Patterson's fall workout may seem a little more tame.

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## Winterholter nears end of college baseball career

by Scott Balyo  
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For senior Tim Winterholter, baseball has been a way of life, and he has proven to be a leader both in the field and at the plate.

Winterholter has been involved with baseball for as long as he can remember and this season he is hitting .308 and has played well at second base, committing only three errors.

"I've never really set goals for myself," Winterholter said. "I just play as hard as I can. Good things happen when you play your hardest."

Winterholter feels that the best thing about baseball is that he almost always has another chance to improve and do better.

"I guess one drawback is that even if you go 3-for-10, people are happy that you are hitting .300, but you still failed 70 percent of the time. Sometimes that can be hard to deal with," he said.

Winterholter has dealt with things pretty well, however, including playing for his dad, coach Larry Winterholter, who also played baseball at Taylor.

"My dad handles things great," he said. "He treats me like I am one of the guys and I really enjoy playing for him. I can often communicate to him what the team is feeling. It is a really good situation. The guys joke about it a little, but I like it."

What Winterholter brings to the team is leadership and experience.

He was an NAIA All-District 21 selection last season.

"I feel that I am a good contact hitter and my strengths are my speed and fielding. If I can get on base then usually I can make something happen," he said. "I guess that my weakness is my lack of power at the plate, and my arm isn't very strong, which is part of the reason I play second."

Although the Trojans are not winning as often as he would like, Winterholter says he has enjoyed this season a lot.

"I've had a lot of fun, and the team unity has been very good. I'll be pretty sad when it is over and I am not able to play for my dad anymore," he said.

With less than a week to go, Winterholter has begun to look toward the future beyond the baseball diamond. A physics/environmental science major, he hopes to land a research position after graduation.

Until then however, the speedy second baseman will continue to have fun, get key hits, and enjoy his last season with his dad.

## Teams enjoy successful week

by Scott Balyo  
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From diamonds to fairways, this week's *Echo* takes a look at all of the action, as the spring teams moved closer to the ends of their seasons.

### Track

The men's track team captured first place and the Lady Trojans placed second in the NAIA District No. 21 Championships at Taylor last Saturday, where they had to battle not only the other teams, but also cold wind and driving rain.

Top finishers for the men included freshman James Njoroge who won the 800 (1:57.98), 1,500 (4:05.71) and 5,000 (15:46.22); and junior Tony Newman who won the hammer (159' 7") and the discus (138' 2").

Junior David Parker won the 110 hurdles and Taylor captured the 4x400 relay in 3:29.13.

For the women's team, freshman April Prast won the 5,000 in a time of 20:41.2, and Taylor took the top four spots in the 400 as sophomore Allison Etchell led the way with a time of 1:03.49.

In the 400 hurdles, junior Amy Boothe captured first in 1:09.17, and Taylor won the 4x400 relay in a time of 4:15.97.

Sophomore Susan Dodson won the long jump (16' 7 1/2") and sophomore Natalie Stanislav captured the javelin with a throw of 110' 7".

Huntington won the women's meet.

Both team's will compete in the NCCAA Championships at Cedarville College today and tomorrow.

### Softball

Monday the Lady Trojans traveled to Goshen where they dismantled the home team by scores of 22-0 and 21-9.

Sophomores Melodie Ringenberg and Beth Prior each picked up wins for Taylor.

Next, the team traveled to Indianapolis to take on the University of Indianapolis, an NCAA Division II team.

The Lady Trojans were unable to defeat the Lady Greyhounds however, as they were edged 7-6 in 10 innings.

Sophomore Beth Gortner is currently leading the team in hitting, as she is batting .374 with 31 RBIs and two home runs, while junior Melody Benson is hitting .347. The team is batting .307, while holding opponents to .249.

Taylor now has a record of 19-18 as they move into NAIA District No. 21 play at IUPUI today. They face Bethel in the first round at 12 p.m.

### Baseball

The Trojans dropped four straight contests before coming back with two wins to close out this week's games.

Taylor lost double headers to Marian College (11-0, 10-6) and Indiana Tech (7-1, 6-5).

Thursday the team returned to sweep Goshen by scores of 11-8 and 5-2.

Junior Jason Norman smacked two home runs in the first game, while freshman Noel Tichenor clubbed one off the campus safety building.

Sophomore Marc Laing won the first game, while sophomore Darrin Hess picked up the save.

In the second game, junior Lance Ferguson went the distance to pick up his second win of the season, as the Trojans combined good defense with some timely hitting to pull out the win.

Taylor is now 12-29 and will conclude their season against Indiana Tech at home, Saturday at 1 p.m.

### Golf

The Trojan linksters placed fourth out of 11 teams last Friday in the Taylor Invitational at Walnut Creek.

Junior Brian Burkey shot a team best 80, followed by senior Brent Holbert (82), sophomore Drew LeMaster (82), senior Jason Block (85), and freshman Bill Techanchuk (89). Freshman Jerry Thatcher shot an 86, but his score did not count.

The team travels to Fort Wayne today for the NAIA District No. 21 championship.

### Football

Dale Carlson, former Taylor football coach, has been hired at Tri-State University to start the football program there.

Carlson, who was 14-26-1 in his four years at Taylor, will spend next year recruiting a team and developing a program that will begin play in 1995.

Tri-State will be in the Mid-States Football Association, the same conference that Taylor competes in. However, Tri-State will compete in the Midwest League while Taylor is in the Mideast League.

Tri-State will open their 1995 season against the Trojans.



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Please only one entry per person/household per week. Winners are ineligible for four weeks after they win.

This week's games are:

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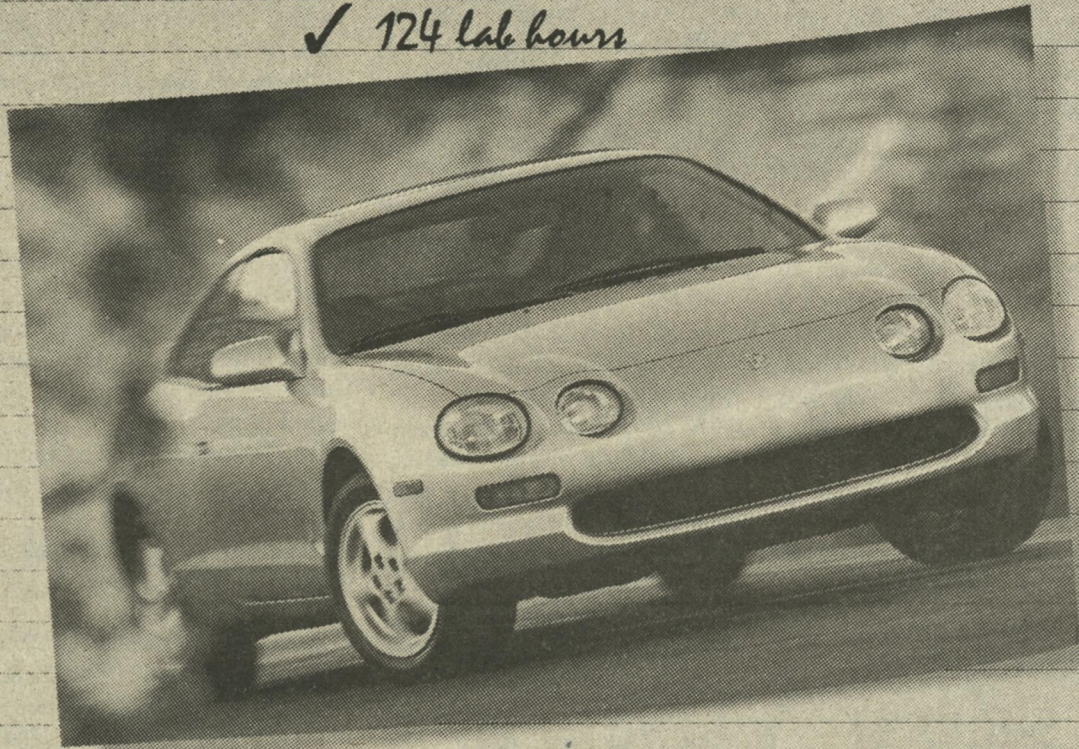
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