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A Word from the President



Dr. and Mrs. W. Edward Rickman

Gazing out over the landscape of the Vennard College campus one is struck with the beauty, the strength, and the upward reaching glory of literally hundreds of trees. There are all shapes, sizes, and varieties with individual blossoms or foliage according to their type. The one common denominator is "life" which depends on rich soil and adequate moisture.

The Vennard College family members also stand tall and strong and alive in Jesus Christ. Because of the individual lives, the College itself can be described as "Like a Tree Planted by the Waters." The strength and life derived from the Divine power makes this school a "Tree of His own Planting."

Dr. W. Edward Rickman President

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Back row, left to right: Jeff Morris, Rev. Dan Hair, Rev. Doug Swarthout, Larry McCurdy, Sue Brakefield Rev. John McClimans, Rev. Verne Summers, Dr. Harold Spann, Robert Elgin, Dr. W. Edward Rickman. Front row, left to right: Major Lloyd Hanton, Mary Barnes, Dr. John Byers, Rev. Daryl Johnston, Sharon Cox, Marion Lewton, Dr. Jack Wease, Edna Zimmer. Not Pictured: Veralee Bontrager, Bob Hudson, Rev. Chester Lum, Alexander Shabo, and Dr. Earle Stine.

President's Convocation

"Like a Tree"

Psalm 1:3a

September 1998



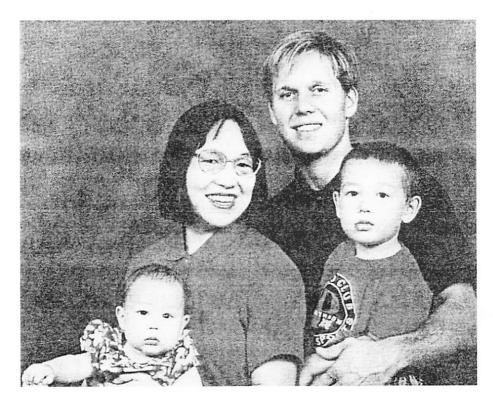
Suddenly the Summer was gone--the weather changed quickly--and then, wonder of wonders, the snow began to fall. The leaves were still on the trees. The date was October 26, 1997. The snow was wet and heavy and as it began to pile up on the leaves and limbs, the sound of breaking branches began to make hundreds of cracking sounds like a war zone. The falling limbs and trees soon began to block streets and sidewalks, and the city of Oskaloosa/University Park, Iowa came to a standstill. Within 24 hours, the heavy, wet snow coupled with strong winds had totally changed the land-scape. Now there was destruction everywhere. It took more than 3 months to clean up the city, including the Vennard Campus.

Today I look out the window at the beautiful trees that grace our Campus and I can only see a few evidences of that devastation that was so apparent just months ago. The healing and beautful new growth have overshadowed all the past destruction. What an amazing God who made all this possible.

That's a picture of what has happened to this College over the past three years. Following the devastation of closure, the Campus stood bare and stripped of all its life and vitality. It appeared as though there was no possibility of revival or renewed life, vitality, productivity, or glorious beauty. But obviously, God had other plans for this "Vine of His own planting? which had survived for some 86 years through storms and trials, and yes, even at times, devastation. Today, we stand on this Campus surrounded by innumerable points of evidence that God has breathed new life into this College and new beauty into this Campus. It is certainly a wonder to behold!

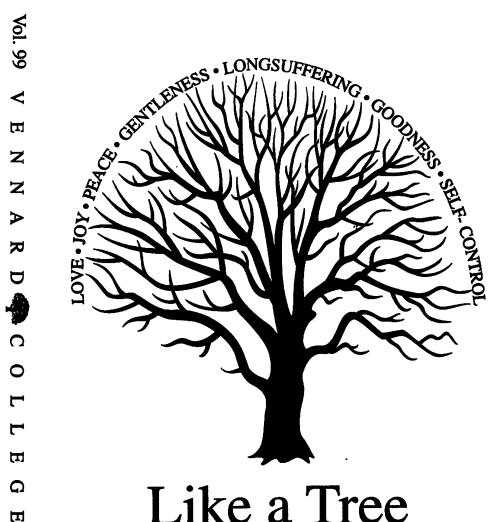
Two years ago, the theme of the President's Convocation was "On the Wings of Eagles." At that time, this faith venture was based on the known fact that God would have to do for us as He did for the children of Israel as declared in Exodus 19:4: "I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself." I believe in these two years that God has brought us to a point of stature and stability that can be described "like a tree planted by streams of water." What a great picture! There is in that picture the assurance of stability, hope for the future, and promise of sustaining and flourishing growth that will not wither. That's the promise we can take to the bank. God has not failed! He is not failing! This vine of His own planting will flourish "like a tree planted by streams of water" as we continue to obey Him. May God be praised and long live Vennard College!

John & Masako Trosen, Isaiah & Sophia



Each year the yearbook staff evaluates to whom the yearbook should be dedicated. Every year is the same difficult decision: who has given their life in service to the College and/or to the furthering of the Kingdom of God? Each year the staff is presented with a list of well-deserving recipients, yet the difficulty comes in selecting just one. This year, however, the decision was made slightly easier. The staff voted unanimously to dedicate the 1999 yearbook to World Gospel Mission missionary pilots to Bolivia: John & Masako Trosen and their two children, Isaiah and Sophia. John and Masako are both recent graduates of Vennard College (John, 1995 and Masako, 1992). On September 28, 1998 while enroute on a return flight from a jungle village with a young pastor and two Bolivian seminary students, the Wings of Peace plane John was flying failed to report in. As soon as this report hit the World Gospel Mission Headquarters in Marion, IN, a world-wide prayer effort was launched for the Trosens and their passengers via a prayer request on WGM's Home Page. Search teams were immediately organized, with air searches being conducted first. Emergency health personnel were on call in case the plane was found. However, bad weather forced the searching and rescue effort to stop for several days. After several desperate days and weeks of searching with no discovery of the plane, the search was called off. World Gospel Mission, then, labeled them as officially "Missing in Action." We thank the Trosens for their willingness to answer the call to take the Gospel into the "uttermost part of the world." Their love for God and obedience to His will for their lives will shine as an example before us. May we be as obedient as they. It is with love and pride that we, the 1999 yearbook staff, do hereby dedicate the yearbook to the John and Masako Trosen Family.

It's Time to Hit the Books



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A Good Leader Knows How to Serve

Right: Rodney Birch is honored with a reception for having earned his Master of Arts in Library and Information Science.



Above: "Admissions, this is Shari Christopher" is the message greeting anyone calling the Admissions Department.

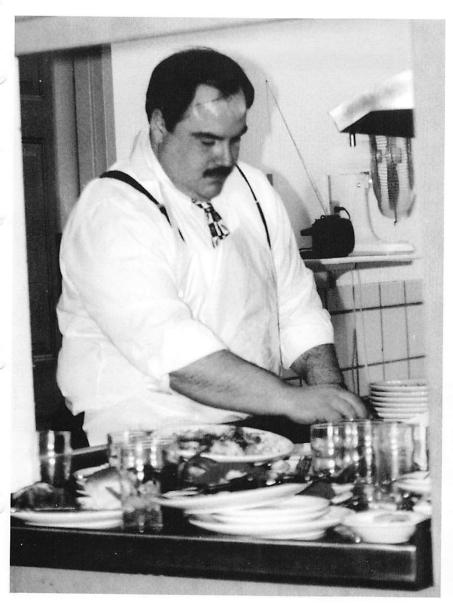




Above: Kathy Lundmark concentrates on folding a letter.



Above: "Would you object to me taking a nap?" asks Philip Kay.



Left: Sam Barber hard at work scraping plates after a banquet.



 $Above: Andrea\,Dusenberry\,concentrates\,on$ writing a library report.



Left: Sean O'Connor meets with prospective students, Jeremy and Heather Armstrong and their mom. His hard work paid off.

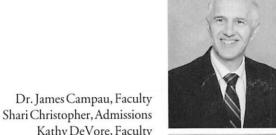


Becky Barber, Dean of Women Sam Barber, Food Services Rodney Birch, Librarian











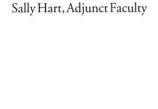










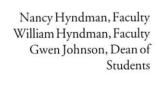


Andrea Dusenberry, Library Lila Faust, Receptionist















Cindy Kay, Adjunct Faculty Philip Kay, Registrar Dale Lundmark, Maintenance





Top Left: Kathy Lundmark, President''s Secretary/Bookstore Top Right: "Is teaching not the life?" asks Professor Bill Hyndman.

Steve Mills, Academic Dean





Sean O'Connor, Admissions





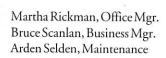


John Olson, Financial Aid Prudy Olson, Library Randy Ozan, Admissions















Lisa Selden, Library Ellen Wubbels, Deputation Team Director Not Pictured: Teri O'Connor, Adjunct faculty; Irene Weitert, Prayer Ministries Director

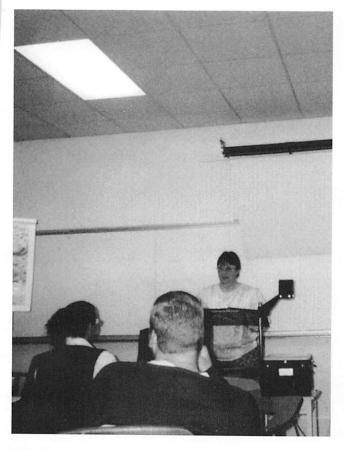


Above: (left to right) John Gentry and Troy Gentry listen intently to Sarah Anderson, an editor for Bristol Books and guest speaker in the Curriculum Development class.

Right: (left to right) Billy Jackson, Dean Lambdin, Jeremy Greene, and Professor Bill Hyndman taking an evening stroll at the Trappist Monastery.



Learning is an Adventure

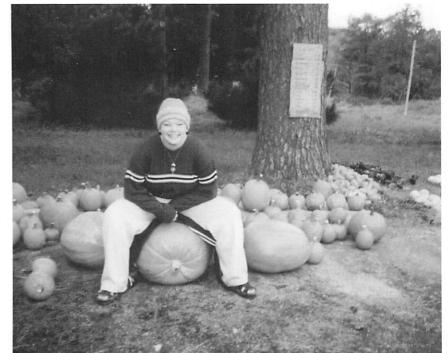


Classes at Vennard College are not the typical "ho-hum" scenarios found at other institutions of higher education. Student involvement in class is greatly encouraged. Professors plan for a multitude of events to enrich the student's learning experience. Some of these events include inviting guest lecturers to speak in classes, taking a trip to a Trappist Monastery, taking a field trip to the Iow Religious Media Library, and a host of other events. It is the desire of the faculty that students learn as much as they can while at Vennard College. This is why a lot of classes have incorporated practical experience as well as theory.

Top right: Amy Beth Boomgarden (front) and Ricky Ennis (back) listen intently as Professor Nancy Hyndman lectures in Old Testament Survey.



Lower right: Classes provide a time of fellowship as well as learning.





Right: "Anyone need a pumpkin?" asks Ali Harrison. "I have all shapes and sizes."

Below: It looks like Emily Dannels is taking the "Tale of the Headless Horseman" a bit too far as she poses with other members of the Spiritual Formation class.



Spiritual Formation at the Monastery



Left: According to Dean Lambdin, the van ride to and from the Monastery is as exhiliarating as the monastery experience itself.

Below: Caryn Whitney poses with one of the icons at the monastery.



Left: Ali Harrison poses for a picture in front of the monastery.



Top right: Tina Jo Campbell working on a paper in the Computer Lab.

Below: "Oh, man!" says Ralf Bergmann, "you caught me doing homework again!"



Lower right: (back to front): Misty Boomgarden, Dawn Hall, and Rosie Rosa enjoy getting their pictures taken, at least Misty and Rosie do.





Below: We all know that John Faulkner doesn't sleep in class...or does he?

Below: Shannon Gallagher (Semini)...what a ham!!!!







Center: It looks like Shane Chellis (left), Tana Rickman (right) and Jeremy Greene (front) found a quiet (?) place to study in the men's dorm.



Above: Billy Farris (back) and Heather DeVries (right) listen intently to Dini Semini (left) as he talks about the lesson.

Right: Ralf Bergman wonders if everyone is having as much trouble studying in the van as he is.





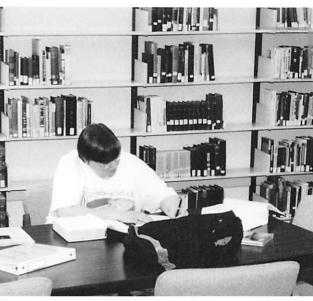
Left: Debra Hall, i.e. Learning Center tutor extrodinaire, is giving her list of studying do's and dont's.

Top right: Shhhh! Don't bother Mary Roozeboom. She's working on a Philosophy paper.

Top center: Nikki Gallagher concentrates on making some photocopies.

Below: Heather DeVries is putting the online catalog to good use.







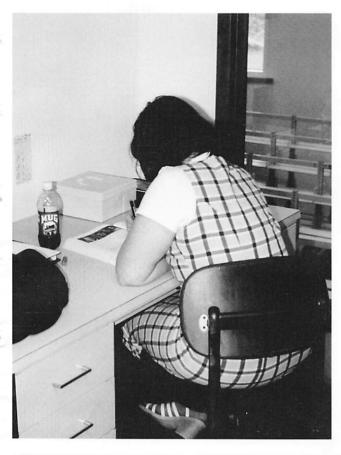


Above: Tana Rickman (left) and Sarah Cassatt (right) are busy putting a project together.

Right: Misty Boomgarden enjoys browsing the shelves for the books she needs.



Enhancing the Learning Experience



The learning center is an arm of academics which strives to help struggling students succeed. Tutors are available to assist students write papers, study for exams, or just answer questions concerning lecture content.

Left center: Debra Hall, a learning center tutor, works on trying to understand textbook content.



Lower left: (right to left) John Gentry, Heidi Gentry, and Jennifer Gentry discover that part of learning is hashing out ideas with each other. Top right: Jason Lamm gives a "thumb's up" sign to the photographer while Professor Nancy Hyndman talks on the phone.

Below: Becky Barber helps husband, Sam Barber, serve the food to hungry students and staff.



Lower Right: Philip Kay's attention is caught by this photo opportunity as Gwen Johnson asks, "Do you think they'll notice my headpiece?"





Leaders like to have Fun too

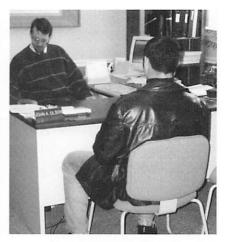


Top left: (left to right) Caleb Koger poses with Rodney Birch and the soon to be Mrs. Birch, Christine Havens, before starting a game of bowling

Below: John Olson helps Shane Chellis figure out his financial aid.







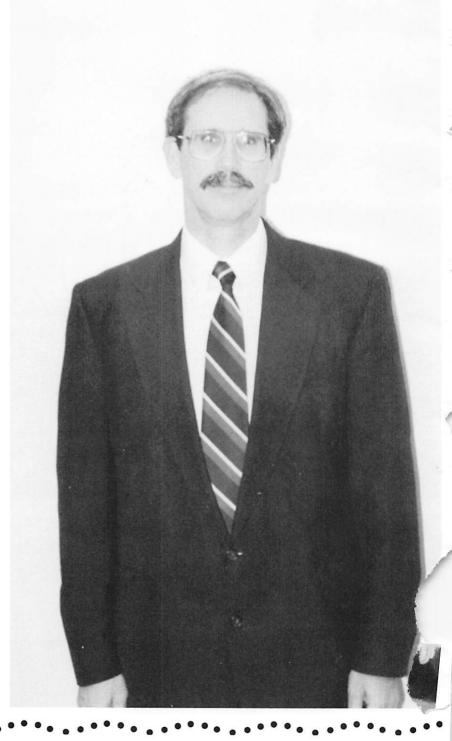
Center: Bruce Scanlan (left front) enjoys good food and company with Tim Ross (right front), Kathy DeVore (right center), Amy Beth Boomgarden, and Jason Boomgarden at the President's Banquet.

Lower left: This group of faculty and staff enjoys a good time of fellowhsip during the President's Banquet.

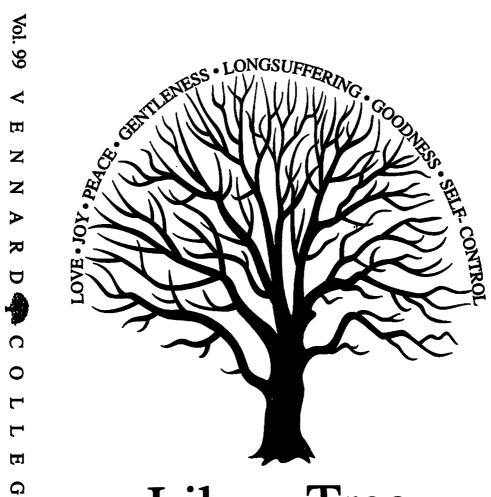
Mr. Stephen Mills, Academic Dean 1996-1999

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It seems fitting to conclude this portion dealing with academic life to honor the man who has faithfully served as Academic Dean. Mr. Steve Mills has served the College in this capacity since the College re-opened in the Fall of 1996. While teaching is his first love, he has led this institution in the development and implementation of a challenging academic program. His focus on "meaning and significance" filters its way down from the administration, to the classroom, to his personal and spiritual life. After three years of serving as Academic Dean, Steve Mills is stepping down to return to the classroom full-time. In addition to serving as Academic Dean, Steve Mills pastors Union Community Church, and has a family: wife, Cindy and sons, Brian and David. Steve Mills is an avid runner. Thank you Mr. Mills.



Studying is only part of the game



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Dawn Aalbers Heather Armstong Jeremy Armstrong

Ralf Bergman Amy Beth Boomgarden Jason Boomgarden

Misty Boomgarden Holly Brakefield Suzanne Campbell

Sarah Cassatt Shane Chellis Diane Coronado

Shelly Cox Emily Dannels Julia DeVore



Heather DeVries Ricky Ennis Billy Farris

John Faulkner Nikki Gallagher Shannon Gallagher

Heidi Gentry Jennifer Gentry John Gentry

Troy Gentry John Glasscock Lori Glasscock

Jeremy Greene Dawn Hall Debra Hall

Myron "Pete" Hall Albertein Harrison Luke Hettinger

Rachel Hora Billy Jackson Caleb Koger

Bill Korns Ken Lake Steve Lamb

Dean Lambdin Jason Lamm LaVonne Merrill

Steve Miller Anthony Nieuwsma Chris Northcutt













Tana Rickman Mary Roozeboom Rosalind "Rosie" Rosa







Tim Ross Dini Semini Mike Sherbet







Keidron Sims Harry Swan Caryn Whitney



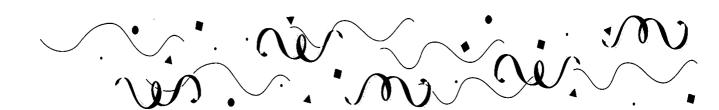


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Debbie Wilson Not Pictured: Monica Jackson, Jeremiah Piagrim, Will Shoals



.....And now, A word from Dean Johnson....

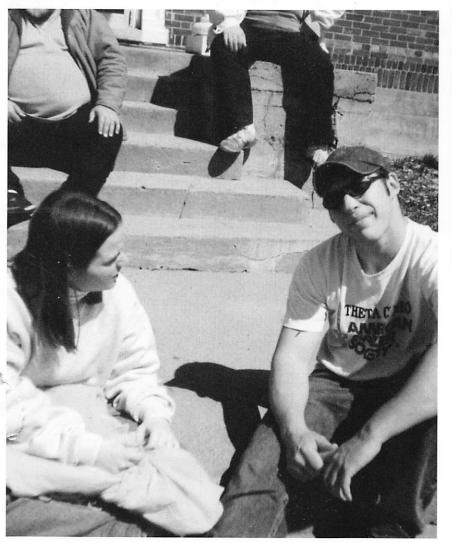
A young college student, Er Magnuson, creatively designed a large tree painstakingly cut out of black paper. His knife fashioned minute, intricate leaves and multi-limbed branches. The branches were filled with many varieties of small birds and animals. The complete masterpiece was cut from one huge piece of paper. To those of us unskilled in that particular art, it was an unbelievable sight to see the finished, sihlouetted tree with its diverse "inhabitants."

Even having this memory indelibly etched in my brain the past twenty some years, I am still aware that "only God can make a tree." And so it is with each student coming to Vennard College. The many planned activities and those that are more spontaneous in nature are to be part of an educational "life experience" centered around the Word and the Lord. When this happens, the student can be "like a tree planted by streams of water, that yields its fruit in season..."

Gwen Johnson, Dean of Students







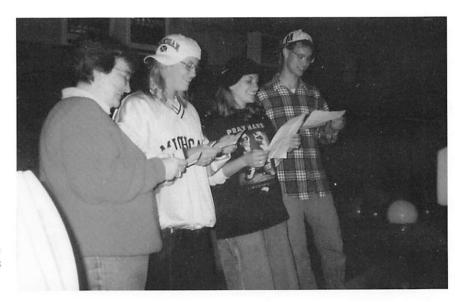
Left: Mary Roozeboom (back) and Amy Beth Boomgarden (front) rake some leaves in front of Married Student Housing.

Below: What's your handicap, Luke Hettinger?



Left: "Hmmm, should I ask Tana Rickman to marry me?" ponders Shane Chellis.

We're Having a Blast!!!!!!

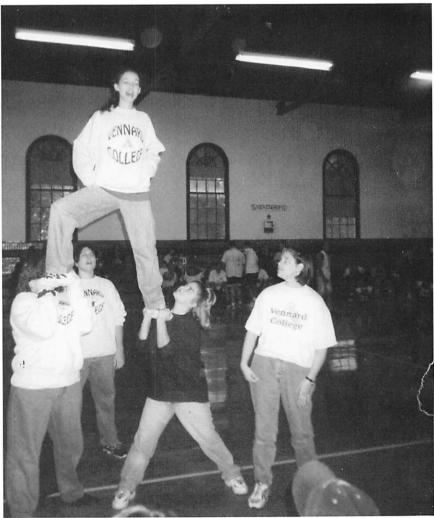


Right:: Momma Sharon, Nikki Gallgher, and Shelly Cox join Bookie Birch for his debut rap performance.



Above: "Watch how fast I can twist my pony tail," says Dawn Hall.

Right: "Three cheers for the Cougars," shouts Holly Brakefield as she's supported by Emily Dannels (left) and Caryn Whitney (right). Debra Hall (back) and Suzanne Campbell (right) stay nearby for safety purposes.







Left: "We da men!" declare Josh Peterson (left), Dean Lambdin (center), Professor Bill Hyndman (right), and Shane Chellis (back).

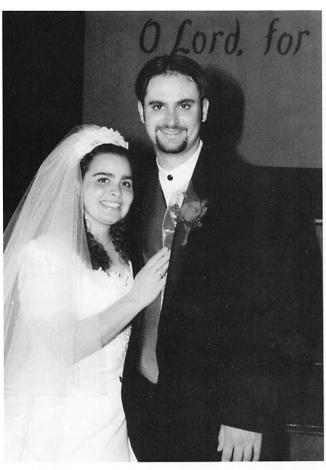
Below: Bill Korns does some yard work during Community Service Day.





Above: Debra Hall and Luke Hettinger play their parts in the Christmas musciale, "The Fourth Wiseman."

Left: "Here I am!" says Ali Harrison, "anyone miss me?"



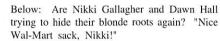
Amy Beth Rowan to Jason Boomgarden, December 19, 1998



Amy Arney to Josh Heatherly, February 27, 1998 Shannon Gallagher to Dini Semini, January 16, 1999

Photo Hot Available

Below: Jason and Amy Beth Boomgarden are enjoying clash day during Spirit Week! Is this a new fashion trend?









Left: Luke Hettinger, Josh Peterson, and Jason Lamm seem to be auditioning for a part in Grease! Good blast from the past, guys!



Above: Introducing Jeremy Greene, the Sumo Wrestler! Good job on his hair, Caryn Whitney.



Left: Did your finger happen to find a light socket, Jenny Gentry?

Left: Anybody up for a game of "Chubby Bunny?" You're going to find some tough competition from Deb Hall, Chris Northcutt, and Jeremy Greene.

Right: Philip Kay (standing) watches as Rodney Birch (front) beats Dean Lambdin (back) in a game of "Toss the Pigs" during a lull in the Registration activity.

Below: "Hey, Ralf Bergmann! It looks like you plan on doing a lot of studying this semester with all those books."



Right: Shari Christopher (sitting) gives Dean Lambdin (standing) his registration packet as Jordan Armstrong takes it all in.





Registration Day is Here Again!!



Left: Shari Christopher (back) observes this group of weary students take a break from the process of registering for classes.

Below: Rodney Birch helps John Glasscock figure out what his book bill will be.



Left: Professor Bill Hyndman provides some wise counsel for Ken Lake as to the options available to him for classes.

Vennard College Family



Right: Vennard family prepares for community service day. Hi Jason Lamm!



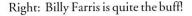
Below: Randy Ozan with pink shorts?



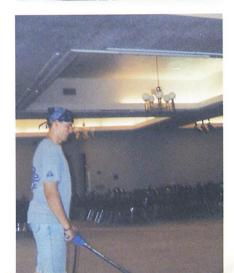
Right: Gee Anthony Nieuwsma, which way did he go?



Right: Luke Hettinger, Emily Dannels, Deb Hall, and Dean Mills, Vennards hardest working, find themselves painting.







Community Service Day



Vennard College takes great pride in twice a year reaching out not only to the facilities belonging to the school, but belonging to the community as a whole. The first semester service day began with a short word of prayer in the administration building. As the

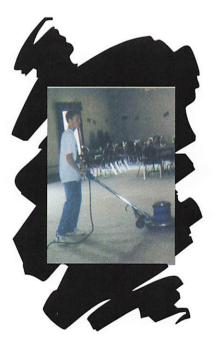
Left: Mark Playle and Chris Northcutt show off their muscles.

rain hindered plans of much outdoor work, they divided up and some stayed on campus as others found their helping hands needed elsewhere in the city of Oskaloosa. The second semester service day was sunny, and students along with faculty were able to clean up the trails and cemetary at the school and make visits to the local nursing homes to help with other yard work.



Left: Caryn Whitney and Albertein Harrison are thinking "Ha, Ha! We get the library and you don't!"





Left: The school gathers for a moment of prayer before a fun day of work.

Homecoming 1998



Right: The Vennard College Choir sings a special number as a part of the Alumni Chapel.



Above: The speaker for the Alumni Chapel was Pastor Steve Barr from Freeport, Illinois.

Right: Mr. James Zimmer is the recipient of the 1998 Distinguished Alumni Award.





Left: The Alumni Choir presents a special number during the Banquet.

Center: Good food, friends, conversation...what more could you ask for?





Left: A few recent alums share stories about dorm life, basketball trips, and professors.

Right: Ali Harrison helps Caryn Whitney dye her hair.

Right center: A rare early morning glimpse of Master Mark Playle is caught by this lucky photographer.

Below: The dessert hostess, Suzanne Campbell, is ready to serve you.





Above: "I can't believe you just took my picture!" quips Mary Roozeboom.

Right: LaVonne Merrill and Steve Lamb get ready to play an intriguing game of...
"foosball?"







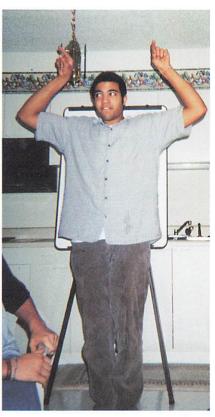
Vennard...You Make Us Smile!



Left: Nikki Gallagher (front), Mrs. Nancy Hyndman (back), Jeremiah Pigram(front), and Tim Ross (back) cruise around the Park in Nikki's car.

Below: "The monster had horns and...," says Jason Lamm.





Left: An amused Billy Farris looks on as Shelly Cox attempts taking on Troy Gentry's pliers with a screwdriver. I wonder who won.?

Top Right: "Stop being so silly!" says Misty Boomgarden to John Gentry as he sports a cheesy grin.

Right center: What are you doing on the kitchen floor, Dawn Hall?

Below: Chris Northcutt and Debra Hall enjoy some sunshine and fellowship before getting to work on Community Service Day.





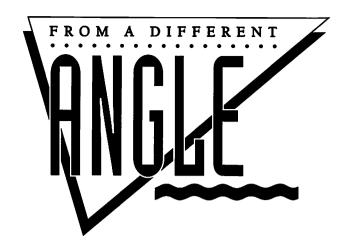
Above: Shane Chellis (left) failed in his attempt to get the football away from Jeremy Greene (right). Will Shoals (front) tries to get in on the action..

Right: Rosie Rosa (front) and Ali Harrison (center) are having too much fun watching Holly Brakefield (back) change her tire.









Thanksgiving Vespers

"Lord God, [we] don't deserve what you have already done for us, and yet you have promised to do even more for us...No other god is like you, LORD--you alone are God..." I Chronicles 17:16c-17a, 20a (CEV)

Thanksgiving Vespers is a time-honored tradition observed by the Vennard College Family. This event is sponsored by the VMA (Vennard Ministerial Association). It includes a banquet followed by a short program. This year's program was a monologue performed by Professor and Academic Dean Mr. Steve Mills. He played the part of an unthankful Pilgrim during the time of the first Thanksgiving. Through a series of events and thoughts the Pilgrim discovers the "meaning and significance" of being thankful and giving thanks for the blessings bestowed on him and others by God. Another feature of Vespers is the taking of a "love offering." In year's past, the offering went to Bethany Children's Home in Kentucky to help them celebrate Christmas. This year, however, the proceeds of the offering went to help World Gospel Mission's relief efforts in South America following the tragedy of Hurricane Mitch. Thanksgiving Vespers is a ministry of the Vennard College family to reflect on the blessings of God to each one as individuals and to the corporate body.



PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

Beloow: Tina Jo Campbell helps hang the stockings for the Secret Angel Program and wonders "Who has my name"..

Right: Mrs. Sally Hart begins the service on the school's organ.

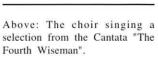
Below: Dale Lundmark(I), and Dr. James Campeau set up the Nativity scene at the front of the school by the sign.



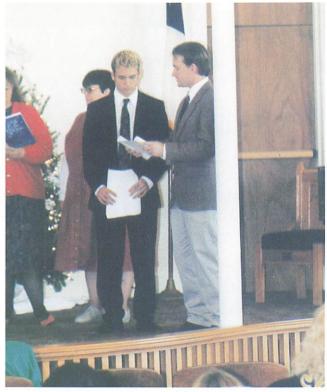








Right; Luke Hettinger and Dean Lamdin in a scene from the Cantata.







Left: Heather DeVries, Mrs. Dusenberry and Mrs. Selden (l-r) decorate the chapel's Christmas tree.

Below: John Olson shows his Christmas spirit by decorating the tree in Memorial Hall.





Above: At Christmas time, decorating involves people of any age. Here, Katie Barber helps with the decorating.

Left: Suzanne Campbell smiles for the camera after working on the tree in the main lobby.

Right: "Hi hi, Hi ho, it's off to work we go," as sung by Rosie Rosa (left), Nikki Gallagher (center), Sarah Cassatt (right), John Gentry (back), Mr. Mills (left rear) and Jeremy Greene (right rear).

Below: A spiffed up Nikki Gallagher reads a poem at the President's Dinner/ Valentine's Banquet.

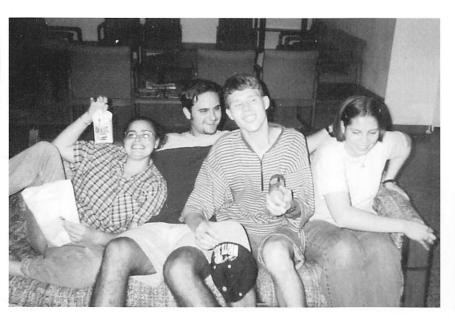


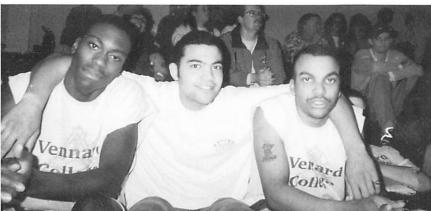
Right: "Hail, hail, the gang's all here!" Front to back--Anthony Nieuwsma, Ali Harrison, Holly Brakefield (left), Caryn Whitney (right), Billy Farris, and Shelly Cox.

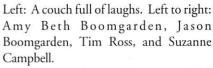




The Best Years of Our Lives







Below: Who is that masked man? Could it be the unforgettable Shane Chellis?



Center: The Three Amigos..or is it the Three Muskateers? Left to right: Keidron Sims, Jason Lamm, and Billy Jackson.



Above: Harry Swan (left) watches as Chris Northcutt (right) rakes some leaves out of a flower bed.



Above: "I think I know the answer to that question," says Emily Dannels.



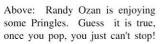
Below: Anthony Nieuwsma, Josh Peterson, Andy Olson, Emily Dannels, Jason Lamm, and John Faulkner hang out in the student grill on a weekend.

Right: Ricky Ennis and Jason Lamm share in the Vennard Family spirit. Anybody need a hug?









Right: "Dawn Aalbers, aren't you carrying the dress code a little too far?"









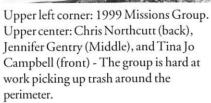


Mexico Missions Trip











Upper right corner: Debbie Wilson is going to town puttying a wall. Left center: Troy and Jennifer Gentry sit with Troy's parents, the missionaries, John and Paula Gentry

Center: Mexican child watching the puppet show.

Right center: Heather DeVries enjoys a good laugh over a game of Phase 10. Above left: Chris Northcutt holding a beautiful mexican child while LaVonne Merrill looks on.

Above center: Troy Gentry, left, Arden Selden, center, John Gentry, Sr., right, enjoy a moment's rest after a long day. Left: Troy and Jennifer Gentry

EXODUS '99

Exodus, formerly known as Breakaway, is the major recruitment venture of the Admissions Department. Prospective students from across the nation converge on the Campus for one weekend in the Spring. It gives an opportunity to see first-hand what Vennard College is all about. Activities included

scholarship contests, classes, chapel, games, and this year, the return of the Breakin' Curfew Show hosted by none other than Caryn Whitney and Jason Lamm.

Below: Wes Powell, a counselor at Raw Hide Ranch addresses the Exodus audience during Thurday's chapel.





Above: Randy Ozan welcomes everyone to Vennard College and opens the chapel service with prayer.

Right: Amy Powell leads the worship segment of this chapel service.







Left: Colin Conner, youth pastor at Haltom City Evangelical Methodist Church, brings the message during Friday's chapel.



Above: This quartet made up of (left to right) LaVonne Merrill, Teri O'Connor, Dianne Coronado, and Shelly Cox provides the special music.

Left: Everyone joins in singing choruses during the worship time.

Right: Emily Dannels joins boyfriend Josh Peterson in a Nintendo game.

Below: The bold and beautiful Emily Dannels, but what are you doing in Mark Playle's room?



Right: Should this threesome be admitted into Snackaholics Anonymous (left to right) Shari Christopher, Caryn Whitney, and Anthony Nieuwsma?





Batten Down the Hatches!









Left: Steve Lamb shows off his room to LaVonne Merrill



Left: "What did I get myself into?" asks Tim O'Neill amidst a laughing LaVonne Merrill (right) and John Faulkner (left).

Below: Shane Chellis accompanies Professor Nancy Hyndman and Sebastian on a tour of the men's dorm.

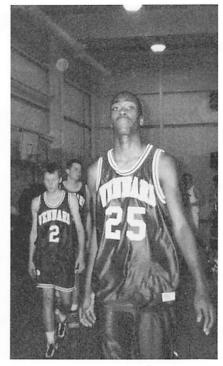


Center: All right, whose room is this and why are there two guys in it? (left to right: Chris Northcutt, Suzanne Campbell, Misty Boomgarden, Tim O'Neill, Rosie Rosa, and Julie DeVore).

Left: Luke Hettinger tours the women's dorm accompanied by Ali Harrison and Caryn Whitney Below: Coach Sean O'Connor and the team gather for some time-out fellowship.

Right: Keidron Simms leads the pack with Anthony Nieuwsma and Jeremy Armstrong close behind.







Above: Jeremy Greene plays some awesome defense.

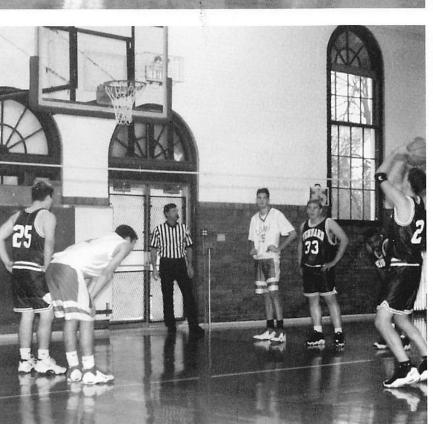
Right: Calvary players look on as Jason Lamm gets control of the ball for the Cougars.



Cougar Basketball Rocks the House

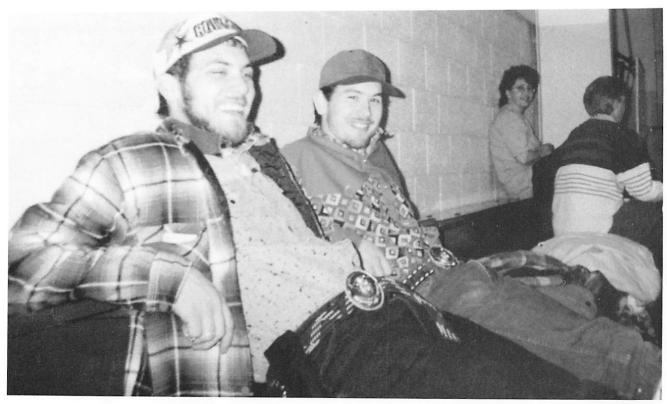


Left: Has not Billy Jackson earned the title "Air Jackson?"

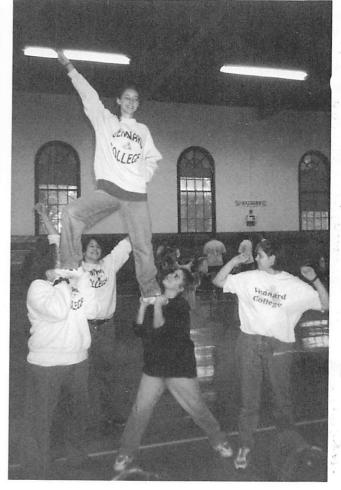


Above: Anthony Nieuwsma driving down the court.

Left: Josh Peterson (#25) and Ricky Ennis (#33) anxiously await Jeremy Greene's free throw.







Vennard Fans Love Basketball

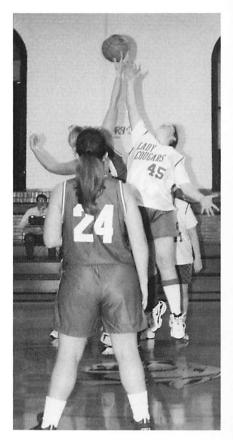






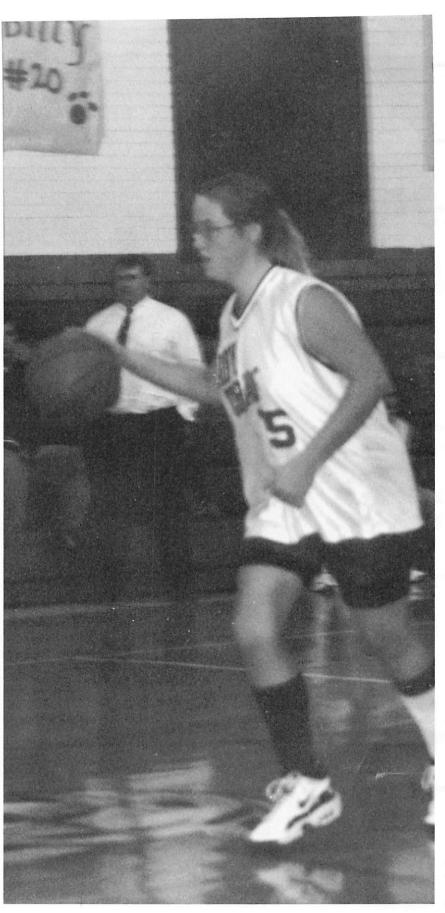
Below: Shelly Cox rounds the opponent as she looks to the net.





Right: Nikki Gallagher could-go-all-the-way!

Above: Shannon Gallagher jumps for the start.





Left: Dianne Coronado and Heidi Gentry are two fine Lady Cougars.



Above: A pleasure to shake the hand of Dawn Hall beside Emily Dannels.

Left: Not very many people knew Jim Campau's Ph.d. was in refereeing, except Shannon Gallagher and Nikki Gallagher.

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Below: LaVonne Merrill and Heather DeVries show that friendships is for a lifetime - even at a ball game.

The spirit,
fellowship, and
enjoyment of
Vennard
basketball
games is a time
worth
remembering





Above: Chris Northcutt, Josh Peterson, and Jason Lamm are supposed to be watching the game, but...





Left: Does Holly Brakefield smile because we might win, or just to show her pretty teeth?

Below: Aaah...Ricky Ennis and Dianne Coronado love being fans together.



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Left: Rodney Birch is almost like Mr. Clean, except he has hair.

Silly Olympics for the...

With Team Captains Mary Roozenboom and Nikki Gallagher, the two Intramural teams had enjoyable seasons. With ping-pong, pool, and foozeball during the lunch hour and the Silly Olympics in the second

semester, the two teams competed neck-to-neck throughout the whole season. In the end, Mary's team came out on top with a 10 point win.



Right: Ali Harrison cheers on Billy Farris and Shelly Cox as they drop their toy soldiers in the water.

Above: Mary Roozeboom cheers on sister Deb Hall and Dawn Hall as they struggle in the thumb war as Dean Lambdin joyfully looks on.



Right: Jim Campau hosts the off-campus bake sale auction during half-time of the Olympics.



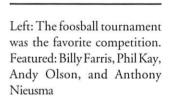
...fun of Intramurals



Left: Josh Peterson leans over for the billiard shot.



Above: Bill Hyndman tries his hand at the pummel horse





Above: Dean Lambdin and Phil Kay play a little time-out basketball.



Above: Holly Brakefield and Tim O'Neal shake it all up!

Right: Mainteance man Ricky Ennis replaces a light outside of the Administration Building.



Right center: Bill Korns (back) and Chris Northcutt (front) lift some wooden pallets at Share Iowa.



Above: "Being skilled at "Pick up sticks" as a kid is sure paying offfor this job," says Debra Hall.

Right: "You really didn't take a picture, did you?" asks Pete Hall while Rachel Hora apperas to be amused by it all.









A World of fun in the men's residence hall























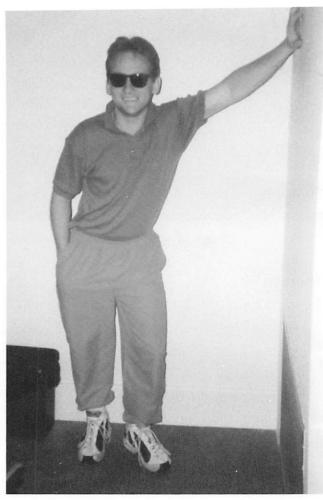
Right: Mr. '80's himself, Dean Lambdin, nearly blinds us with his attire.

Right: Ralf Bergmann shows his wife what he got from his secret angel as Ken Lake looks up table to someone else's gift.

Below: Shannon Gallagher and Dini Semini: Such a handsome couple, aren't they?











Above: Nolan Gentry gets his picture taken with these lovely ladies (l to r) Julia DeVore, Suzanne Campbell, LaVonne Merrill, Heather DeVries, and Misty Boomgarden.

Right: "No pictures please," says Tana Rickman, "it's too early in the morning.

Are We Having Fun Yet?



Left: Emily Dannels laughs hysterically when Phil Kay and Dean Lambdin tell her she's won the shotput event in the Silly Olympics.







Left: Sarah Cassatt diligently tosses rocks back into the parking lot behind the Men's Residence Hall. Good work, Sarah!

Above: Athletic Director presents the Lady Cougars with some awards. Lady Cougars are (l to r) Rachel Hora, Debra Hall, Dawn Hall, Heidi Gentry, Nikki Gallagher, Emily Dannels, Shelly Cox and Dianne Coronado. Not Pictured: Shannon Gallagher and Cindy Kay.

Lower center: Dr. Jim Campau works hard at bagging some leaves during Campus Clean-up Day. Right: Something catches Sam Barber's attention as Deb Hall and Chris Northcutt enjoy McDonald's in the Women's Dorm lobby.

Below: Suzanne Campbell looking cute in the women's dorm

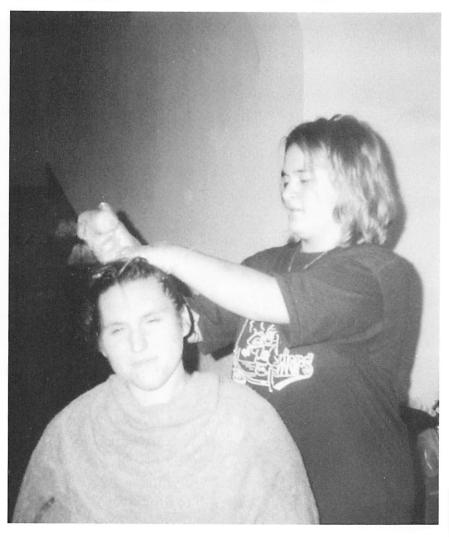






Above: "Hurry up, will ya?!" says Rachel Hora to an unseen resident of Fogle Hall.

Right: Caryn Whitney colors Deb Hall's hair in the Women's Dorm lobby.

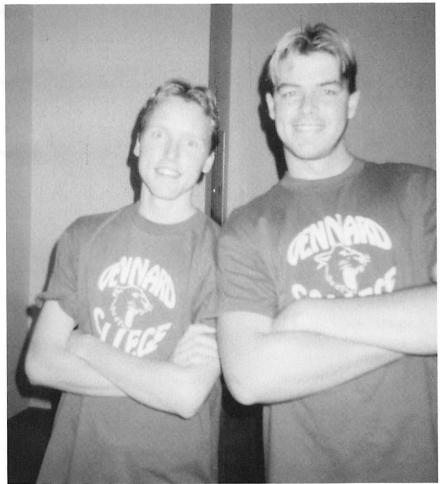




Left: Dawn Aalbers sports a poodle skirt and wad of gum. To which decade does she belong?

Below: Spirit Week really does bring out the scary in people. (Back row, left to right) Bill Korns, Debbie Wilson, Troy Gentry; (Front row, left to right) Jason Lamm, Jennifer Gentry, Billy Farris.







Above: Rodney Birch gets in on Spirit Week by greasing back his hair and wearing a white "T", blue jeans combo. Where from the past has he come?

Right: Anthony Nieuwsma (left) and Billy Farris (right) try to pass off as twins on Twin Day.

Jessop-Bruner Library receives Face-Lift

This was a year of change and developments for Jessop-Bruner Library. During Christmas Break, the Library's interior received a fresh coat (or should we say 4 coats) of white paint. This was done by a couple of volunteers. The gold paint put on the walls at the time of construction in the mid 70's was finally gone. A member of the Library staff was reportedly heard to say, "It even makes this awful orange carpet look better!"

The Library also received five new units of shelving allowing for the expansion of the Reference and Periodicals Back Issues collections. A counter was built below the stairs to provide space for the online catalog and internet computer. The Library staff worked steadily on converting the holdings from the card catalog into the online catalog. This project should be complete by the time classes resume in the Fall.

Below: Dr. Harry E. Jessop and Neva Miller's pictures hang above the newly constructed computer station.





Above: Dale Lundmark works hard at setting up the shelving.

Right: The ugly gold (left of ladder) is rapidly disappearing under the white paint (right of ladder).

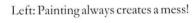


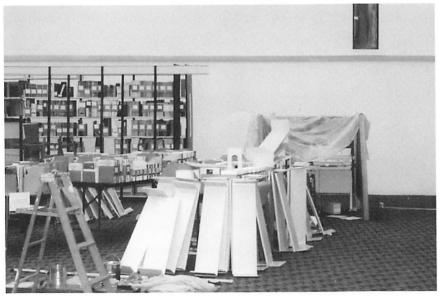


Left: Scaffolding helped in making the hard to reach places easier to paint.



Above: Dale Lundmark (left) and Troy Gentry (right) work steadily on assembling the new shelving.





Valentine's Day/President's Banquet

Right: Vennard's Choir gave a grand performance on the twelfth of February

Below: Jason Boomgarden and his two favoirte girls, Amy Beth Boomgarden and Misty Boomgarden, sure make a happy family.



Right: Students waiting for the banquet to begin.





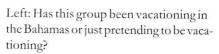


Above: Vennardians were swept away by the soft piano and violin music as they ate.



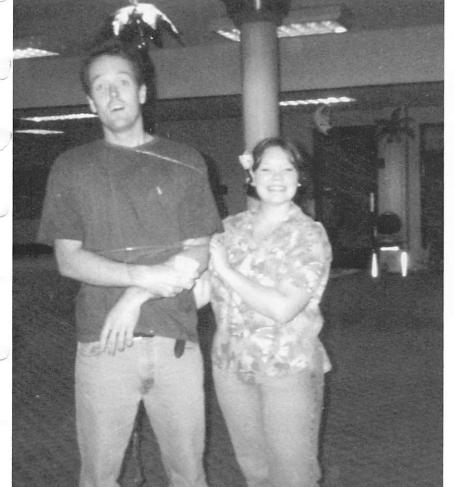
Above: Most loving faculty and staff couple: John and Prudy Olson.





Below: "I know nothing!" declares Jeremy Greene.







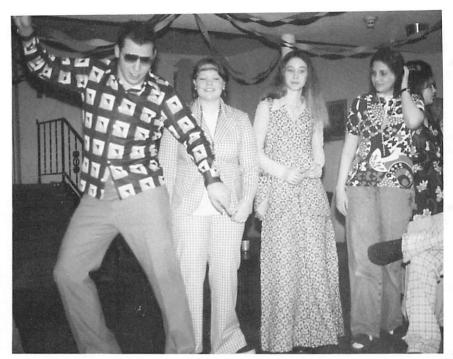
Above: (left to right) Luke Hettinger, Caryn Whitney, Holly Brakefield, Heather DeVries, and Chris Jackson take time out of the festival to have their picture taken.

Left: "Look what I caught in my string!" says a very proud Ali Harrison.

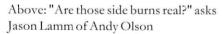
Below: Even baby Jordan Armstrong gets in the act of dressing for the 70's

Left: Woo! Get down Shane Chellis. Audience members are Ali Harrison (left), Holly Brakefield (center), and Suzanne Campbell (right).





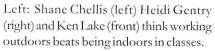




Left: Luke Hettinger (front), host of "70's Flashback" announces the next event as Jason Lamm (back) gets the music ready.







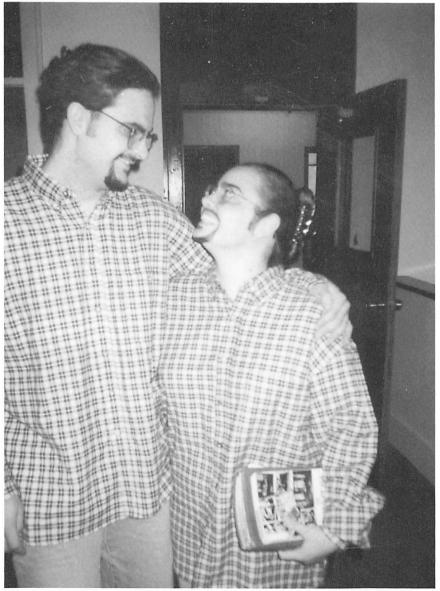
Below: Hi! My name is Shane Chellis and I will be your tour guide this afternoon.





Above: Beatnik Billy Farris plays his groovy guitar for the group.

Left: Jason Boomgarden and Amy Beth Boomgarden take full advantageof Twin Day during Spirit Week.



Right: Shelly Cox approaches the lane.

Right: Smile!!! Billy Farris and Shelly Cox.

Below: The Vennardians gather and eagerly await the drop of the pins.

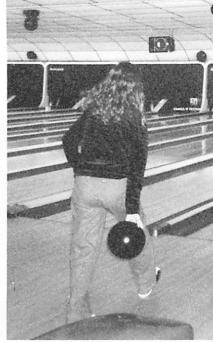




Above: Jeremy Greene is swift like his shoes.

right: Dale Lundmark says: "This game is just too easy for me."











Left: "Aughhh! Tana Rickman took offher shoe!" exclaims Andy Olson as Emily Dannels (standing) and Anthony Nieuwsma (left) look at Tana in disbelief.

Below: Graduate Tina Jo Campbell receives a congratulatory hug from former Dean of Women, Lila Faust.



Left: "One more tug should do it," says this hefty group of guys wrestling with a broken branch near the Vennard Trails.

Right: Commencement procession for Tina Jo Campbell--the first graduate of the revitalized Vennard College.

Below: Alumni President, Sharon Cox, pins the Dove & Triangle pin on Tina Jo Campbell to officially welcome her into the Alumni Association.



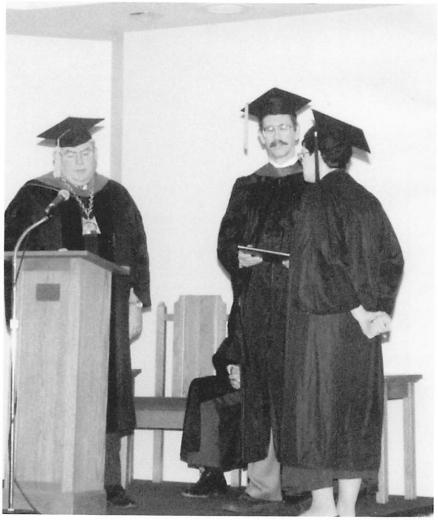




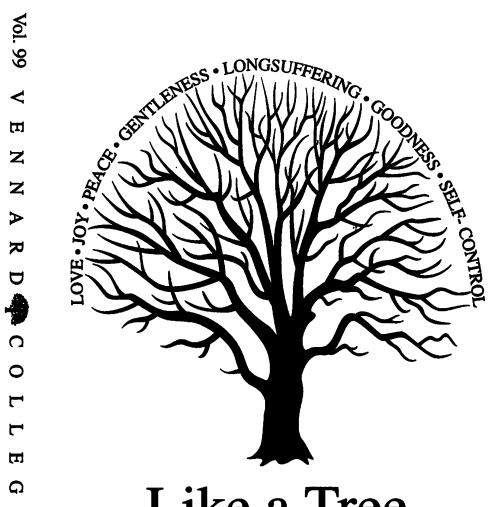
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Above: Reverend Ralph Sprunk, former professor at Vennard College, delivers the Commencement address.

Right: Dr. Rickman and Academic Dean Steve Mills present Tina Jo Campbell with her diploma.



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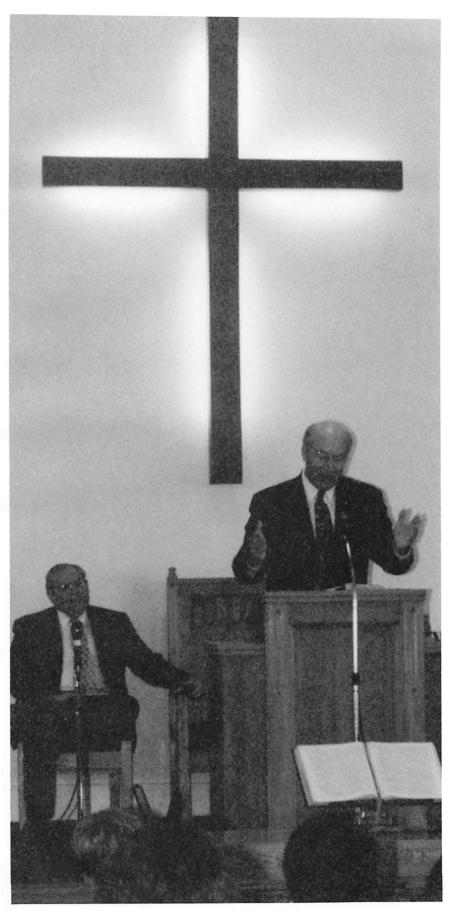


Above: This group of faculty, students, and alumni gather outside the Administration Building for prayer during the National Day of Prayer.

Right: "See you at the Pole" provides and opportunity for students and teachers to pray for their schools and country.







Fall 1999 Revival

The year's speaker for the week of meetings was Dr. Jim Diehl, one of nine General Superintendents in the Church of the Nazarene. His use of humor and illustrations from his years in the pastorate served well to hit home scriptural truths.

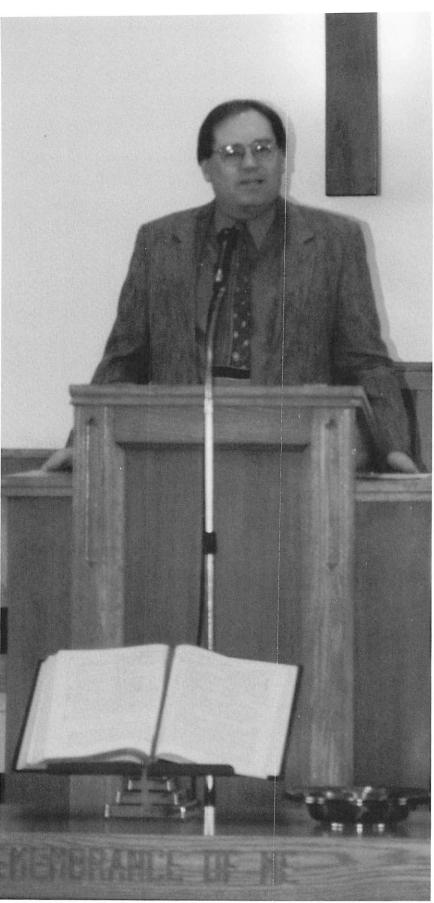
Right: Rev. Derry Long, Superintendent of the Western Conference of the Evangelical Church, was the speaker for Spring Revival.

Below: Dr. Jim Campau shakes Rev. Long's hand during the "Hallelujah Parade."





Above: Mike Sherbet sings a special during one of the Spring Revival meetings.





The Fall 1998 Missions Convention brought the richness of experience of three missionaries representing various countries and organizations. The first speaker, Nathan Schmidt, is a missionary under appointment to Bolivia with World Gospel Mission. During the Missions Banquet, he also shared with us his slide presentation of the Bolivian people who so desperately need to hear about the love of Jesus Christ. The second speaker, Kent Eller, is with the Men for Missions arm of Oriental Missions Society. He shared about several opportunities available for short-term missions. The third speaker, Carol Lister, is a retired missionary. She served under the auspices of World Gospel Mission in Africa and Haiti. She provided a humorous, yet realistic look at the world of mission work. Each speaker brought with them the urgency of spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ to a lost and dying world.



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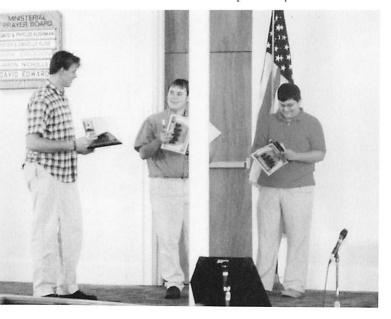
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Below: During the Spring Missions Convention Florence Monteith speaks on what is like to be a missionary in Bolivia.

Below: Billy Farris (left) Chris Northcutt (center) and Mark Playle (right) take a "What does this word mean in Spanish?" quiz.

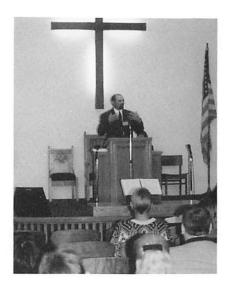






Above: Students carry the flags of various nations for the "Parade of Nations."

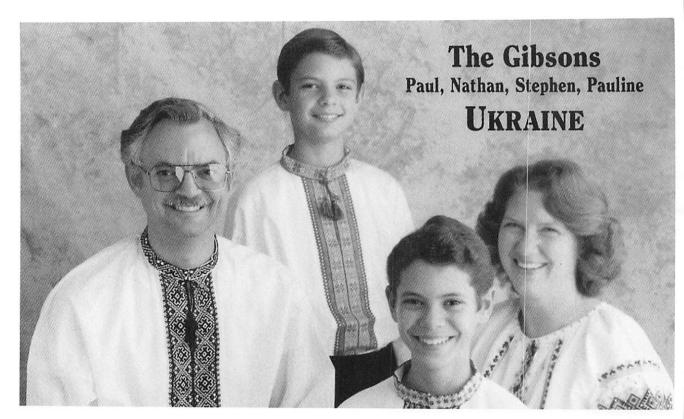
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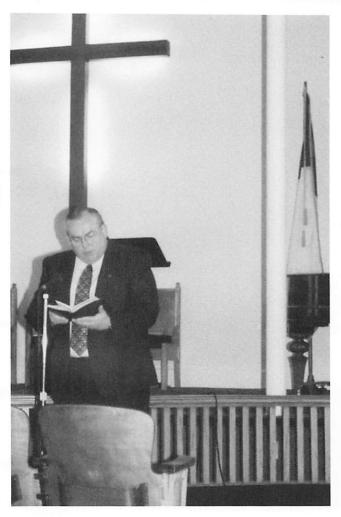
Top Center: The speaker for this year's Alumni Chapel was Steve Barr. Rev. Barr is a 1988 graduate of Vennard College and is currently serving as Youth Pastor at Evangelical Full Gospel Church in Freeport, Illinois. Lower center: The Vennard College Choir presents a special number during the Alumni Chapel.

C H A P E L









Left: Dr. Rickman reads a passage of scripture dealing with crucifixion to begin the Morning of Prayer Service.

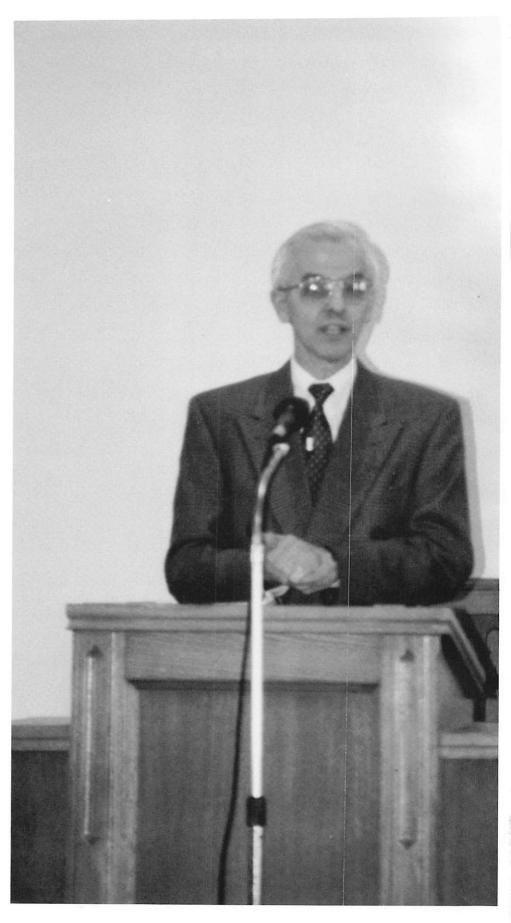


Lower left: Shari Christopher (left) and Ellen Wubbels (right) sing "There is a Savior" during the Morning of Prayer Service. Above: One Accord sings a medley of songs about the Cross. One Accord members are (l to r) Anthony Nieuwsma, Dawn Hall, Debra Hall, and Holly Brakefield.



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Rev. John Hawbaker, former Bishop in the Brethren in Christ Church and currently serving as pastor of one of the largest churches in the denomination, was the speaker for the annual Harris Holiness Lectureship.

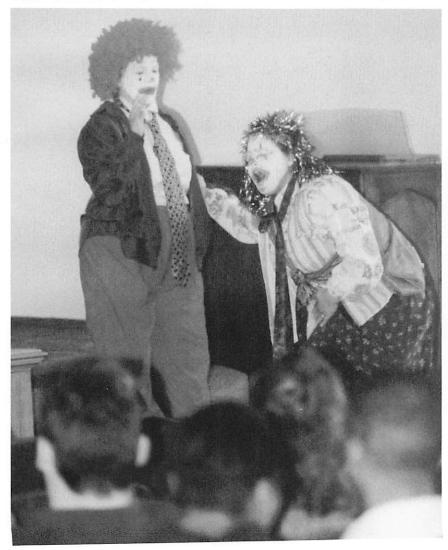


It's a Great Day to Praise the Lord!



Left: Billy Farris, Shelly Cox, Anthony Nieuwsma, and Nikki Gallagher play out a human video to the song "Crucified with Christ."

Below: Dean Lambdin delivers a message on Christian unity during an Intro. to Music class's chapel.





Left: Amy Beth Boomgarden and an unknown clown bring new life and meaning to a scriptural truth.

Right: Randy Ozan, Rachel Hora, and Jason Lamm, along with others enjoy the familiar music of chapel.

Below: John Olson, Vennard's music director, is found front and center once again.







Above: Students help celebrate the missions convention by presenting flags of nations during chapel services.

Right: Guest speaker, and former secretary of Vennard, Florence Monteith happily accepted invitation to speak about Bolivia to the Vennardians.



Come Worship With Us





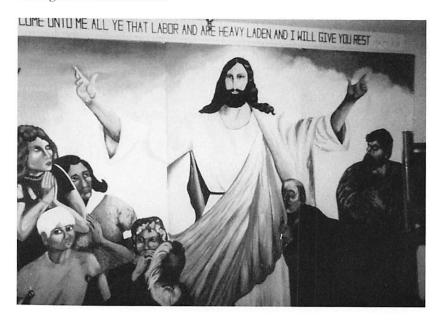


Bethel Mission, Des Moines, Iowa

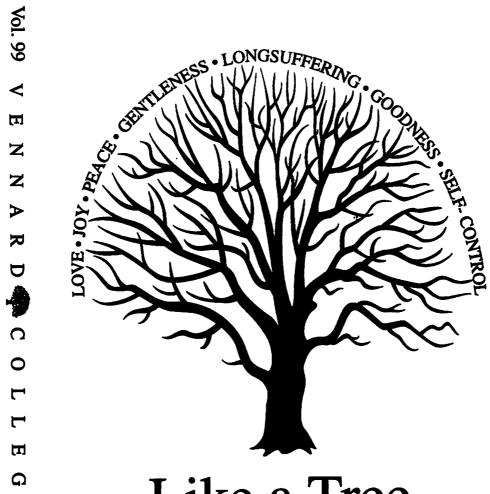


Above: A group of Vennardians assist the Director of Bethel Mission wrap things up after a service. Vennardians are (from left to right): John Olson, Holly Brakefield, and Ali Harrison.

Below: A wall mural at Bethel Mission presents a message of hope to all those seeking shelter at the Mission.



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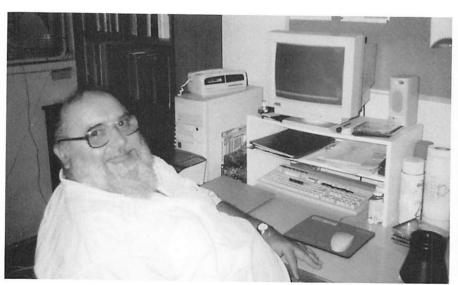
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Above: Did we catch Harry Swan doing homework or playing a game of computer solitaire?



Above: "I'll get it!" screams Nikki Gallagher as she outruns an opponent in trying to gain control of the loose basketball.

Life's a Hoot, Ain't It?!



Left: Everyone seems more interested in Dean Lambdin's laptop than what's going on in class.

Below: Frizz heads have to stick together (Dean Lambdin, Shari Christopher).

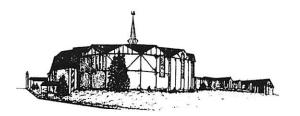






Center: "Hello! Is anyone down there?" asks Tim Ross. "I don't think anyone's down there," says Mark Playle.

Lower left: Tana Rickman seems intent on explaining the joke to an eating Shane Chellis while Arden Selden (left of Shane) and Dr. Rickman (right of Tana) are already enjoying the punchline.



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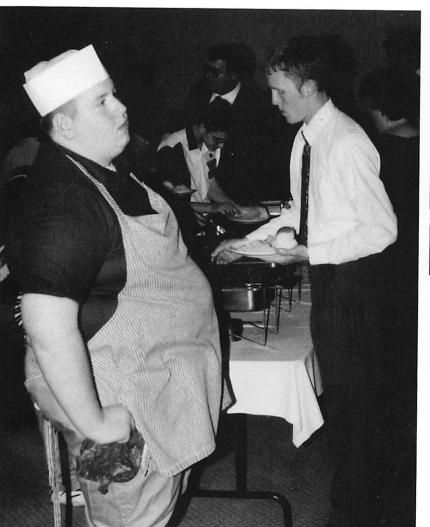
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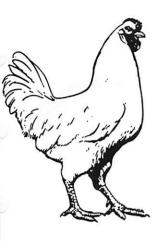
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Above: Dianne Coronado has no problem with passing off the ball in the game against Calvary. Left: Chef Tim O'Neil tries to act distracted as Anthony Nieuwsma samples some of his cooking.



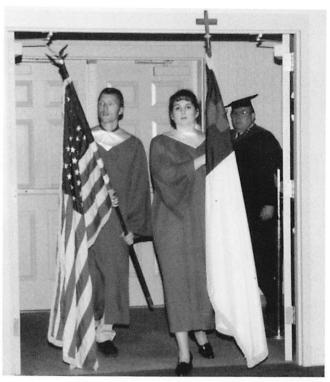
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Above: Anthony Nieuwsma (right) and Debra Hall (left) lead the Commencement procession with the flags.



Above: Jeremy Greene (right) assists John Gentry (left) in loading some lumber as part of a Community Service Day project



Above: "This is my friend Jennifer Gentry," says Jason Lamm.

Right: Pistol packin' Tim O'Neil takes no bad business from no one.

Right Center: "Hi! My name is Dean Lambdin."

Below: "Did I do that?!" exclaims Troy Gentry.





Above: Jeremy and Heather Armstrong are such a happy couple.

Right: Keidron Sims gets in the act of carrying lumber during Community Service Day.







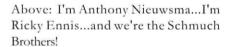


Left: Kathy DeVore: The lean, mean pruning machine.

Below: "The fish was this big!" says Jeremy Greene.

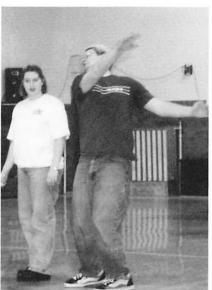








Above: It looks like Nikki Gallagher has some dribbling tricks up her sleeve to get past this opponent from Emmaus.

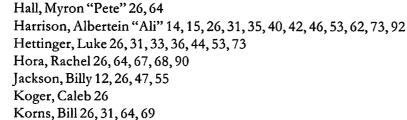


Above: "Idon't believe you, Andy Olson," says Emily Dannels. "But really, the wind nearly knocked me over!" says Andy Olson.

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