

# THE *ECHOES*

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## Pottage goes a long way

Sunday, March 16, found students sitting on the floor of the cafe eating rice and lentils for dinner. Waiting in line were students and faculty alike with plates in hand to help six hungry and needy children in India get the food, education and other necessary things to live full lives.

Sacrificing one regular meal to eat rice and lentils helped sponsor six children for a whole year. The cafeteria donated the cost of the meal to the cause. Just think how many children we could sponsor if we did this once a month.

When the students were asked how it was to eat rice and lentils, most said it wasn't bad and that we should put it on the menu! Not all of the students and faculty ate at the cafe that day, but the ones who did said they would do it again.

Jesus walked upon the earth feeding the hungry and helping the sick and needy. On March 16 we had the opportunity to be more like Jesus and make a difference. Maybe eating rice and lentils doesn't seem very big compared to the miracles Jesus performed, but to six children in India it is. Thanks to everyone who participated in changing these children's lives.

*Angel Cox*

*You will show me the path of life; in  
Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your  
right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

*Psalms 16:11*



*Part of the large choir that performed during the choral clinic*

## Choirs get musical attention

No-one realizes how much work actually goes into something as large as a choral clinic. They just arrive at the program, sit in their chairs, and listen. Few stop to consider how many hours of grueling practice are spent.

On February 23, 125 students from school choirs all around the conference invaded the UCA campus. After they had registered, they were given the schedule for their musical boot camp weekend. They joined the regiments of the UCA choir, and under drill sergeant Swigart, the fun began.

Singing took over. Most of Thursday and Friday were spent in rehearsals. Ms. Swigart worked them hard. The days were divided into long practices and short breaks. Meals were scheduled so not to conflict with the other students', and shower lines in the dorms grew longer.

On Saturday evening a concert was held which proved all the hard work had not been in vain. The program had a variety of sacred and secular pieces and a nice patriotic number thrown in for flavor. Some in the audience may have wondered why the choir erupted into giggles between numbers. Well, while they were watching the choir, the choir was watching Ms. Swigart making faces. . . . Thank-you Ms. Swigart!

*Kambra Buell*

## Who's that?

Can you recognize the two faces that have been pasted together to make one split personality??

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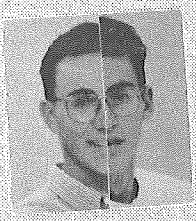
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### ANSWERS:

1. Laura Marsh and Carrie Masterson; 2. Sara Luke Heilmann; 3. Tom Canaday and Alan Black and Dean Mike Threadgill; 4. George Twigg and Dean Joe Threadgill; 5. Dean Joe Threadgill and Dean Mike Threadgill.

## Traditional Mexico missionary trip succeeds again

The annual mission trip to Mexico was successful again this year: a church was built and no students or staff were accidentally left behind or permanently wedged in the bus.

This time we worked on a church in El Porton, Sonora. All worked hard to lay block and install windows, doors, wiring, rough plumbing and the corrugated steel roof. As an extra, we bought materials and made 21 pews for the congregation.

In return for using the community center for cooking and the girls' sleeping area, we also painted that building inside and out (male volunteers slept in tents).

Once again, all participants found the experience well worth a few missed classes and many hours aboard UCA's most-deluxe bus.

Look for the Monument Valley story next month!

## Mother nature logs on campus



Rain-saturated ground and high winds conspired to topple one of the mighty fir trees between the ad building and the boys' dorm on the evening of March 9. The fallen giant instantly became a playground and hiding place (until the branches were cut off by Mr. Lake the next day).

On March 31, when the ground had dried out sufficiently, the tree was cut into segments and moved away. The school hopes to earn several hundred dollars from the sale of the wood.

The tree's fall was so amazing that it made the news on local television stations.

## Students enter dark ages in cafe

Taut nerves, like those special-occasion nylons, are stretched to the breaking point. Throughout the Girls' Dorm, curling irons are reshaping tresses. Ties are looped, knotted, and contorted--snakelike--around masculine necks. Faculty hearts thud at the recklessness of it all. And, finally, it begins. The long-awaited ASB Valentine's Banquet is finally here!

Couples meander down the candle-lit path into the unrecognizable cafeteria at 7:00. Their first surprise is the entry way. Lush plastic vegetation entices them, and real goldfish swim in the cool waters surrounding a fountain. As they ascend the drawbridge, they catch a glimpse of mystic candlelight, and medieval music tantalizes their ears. Instead of plain white walls, the grey stone walls are lined with coats-of-arms. Each table is adorned with ivy and candles, and a colorful banquet program waits at every sitting. One end of the cafe is transformed into a majestic castle, complete with Juliet's balcony.

The evening begins with Herald Trumpets blasting a welcome, then students are dismissed by table to eat. Cheeses, fruits and breads are the simple fare tonight. Minstrels, magicians, and jesters wander the room, and couples feel the magic of love working on their hearts. Periodically, talented musicians perform, and ASB officers present a rendition of Romeo and Juliet. Too soon, the evening closes with the announcing of the Valentine's Court: Best Dressed Couple, Gentleman, Lady, and Valentine's Couple. Reluctantly, students wander back to their respective dorms. Although this event is over, their hearts will be strewn with memories of this night for years to come!

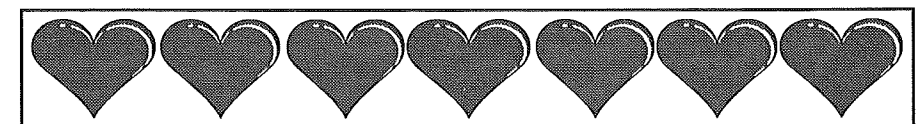
Sarah Coleman



Mr. Soule' and Mr. Thayer plot a sinister scheme during the banquet



The girls' dorm lobby was packed with happy couples before the banquet





## Spring week of prayer

Elder Don Keele, Jr. presented our Spring Week of Prayer. Pastor Keele came from Battle Ground armed with his guitar and a sense of humor to admonish us to "take the challenge and live the adventure."



Elder Don Keele, Jr.



Song service was not always a serious affair



Elder Keele gave us much to think about

## Communal living at its best

Communal living: being able to share your life, your personal belongings, and just about everything else with 150 other students is a unique experience.

There are many pleasures that the high-school student could not experience if it were not for the dorm. Being able to share in a group shower is rumored to have been one of the highlights of the guys' evenings in the dorm before the bathroom renovations were completed. The girls get nice and toasty warm in their slightly-scalding showers. The wonderful scent of popcorn drifting through the stairwells almost every evening seems to warm the heart. . . .

The girls' kitchenette is always busy after a particularly-delicious dinner in the cafeteria. After they have filled themselves with Roman noodles, hot chocolate, and popcorn, you might find a few RA's leading their girls in abdominal and derriere trimming exercises. In the guys' dorm, however, the favored exercise of the RA's is muscle building. The start of study hall is usually signalled by a large gathering by the pay phone.

All things considered, dorm life can be a fun and rewarding time in a teenager's life. You can't live, work, and go to classes with the same people every day without getting to know them a little bit. Here is where the friendships are formed that will last a lifetime.

Jennifer Wikoff

*Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Romans 5:1

## The Blaze of Brass Tour

The first weekend in March was an exciting one for the many Brass Choir members. It was tour time, and the destination was Sandpoint. As soon as classes were over on Friday, the students excitedly piled on to the bus and began the journey up into the Idaho panhandle. Arriving, they were shipped off to various houses where they settled down for an evening of visitation and the long-awaited taste of home-cooked meals.

Sabbath morning, everyone was at the church practicing and tuning. During the service, specials were performed by the flute ensemble and the trumpet trio. Bethany Smith played a stunning solo on the saxophone.

Under the direction of Jerry Lange, everything went smoothly. The Brass Choir played a variety of music ranging from classical favorites to spirituals. After church, a large potluck was given for both the Brass Choir and the gymnastics team who were to perform later that night.

The gymnastics team, Choraliers, Concert Band and choir are looking forward to one more round of tours before the year ends.

Eric Kendall

## Gymnasts Abroad

Sandpoint, Idaho, is one of the more scenic spots in the Northwest. It is the home of not only one of the largest lakes in the United States, but also of Schweitzer Ski Resort. Sandpoint is a tourist town; more and more Californians are moving in. There are many things to do: plays, waterskiing, parasailing, jetskiing, snowskiing, backpacking, mountain-biking, and pretty much anything else one might want. But, in the first weekend of March, a new entertainment force hit the Sandpoint area: the UCA gymnastics team!

The exhibition was held in Sandpoint Jr. Academy's gym. The team started with several very-impressive pyramids. Then they moved on to individual and doubles routines. Mr. Soule called names, and when the gymnast came forward, he named the stunt or move he wanted the gymnast to demonstrate.

The crowd was also entertained by the incredible juggling Aaron Canwell. He awed the masses with his flaming torches and sharp knives. All in all, the crowd was impressed and entertained by the UCA athletes.

Zach Mason

## Choraliers at the Met

On the evening of March 9, the Choraliers sang at the Met in Spokane for the Wishing Star Foundation. Jay Ham and Amelia Magnuson also provided cello and flute music while the Wishing Star Foundation worked to encourage their guests to support the Foundations's program. We hope the music provided by the UCA musicians helped inspire generosity for a worthy cause!

## Rec Ski Ends

March 5 was the final rec ski of the school year. It was also the funnest. The week before when the avid ski people arrived at Silver Mountain, they found it closed because of the warm weather. According to Mr. Peach, this has never happened before. But on the final day at Schweitzer, everyone got to ski all day on new snow and then enjoyed an all-you-can-eat pizza feed at Godfather's Pizza. Most thought this was an appropriate ending to the ski season. Except for a few injuries, the day went well and most everyone had a decent time.

Rosemary Casareale

## Music-A-Rama

In January, students in the music and art programs get their minds in gear with a common purpose—Music-A-Rama. Hours are spent practicing, polishing and discussing.

The Friday before the program, March 31, an air compressor starts blowing air into balloons. Many workers and friends come to the gym to help Ms. Swigart decorate for the program. They scramble atop ladders creaking with age, and others say, "Here, if you fall, I'll try to catch you, otherwise this stack of balloons will be soft enough." Some devise ways of placing trip lines in the path of the next evening's performers, only to be caught by Ms. Swigart who says, "Aaron, that's not very decorative."

As Sabbath draws to a close, students, faculty, parents and friends start pouring into the gym. Performers set up equipment, tune the last time, trickle up the stairs in the music building to grab their music, and finally line up in the back for the grand entrance.

The program goes well, and afterward, KUCA tries to take orders for cassette copies of the concert, or at least gives their phone number (245-3670) for those who might wish to order when they get home. And everyone is happy, knowing that there is still 12 months until they have to do it again.

Geoffrey Greenway

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and finally . . .

Only a short time ago, the last winter snow dusted campus. It was a winter of little snow and many grey days.

Now the signs of spring are everywhere: swelling buds, greening grass, flowering daffodils and tulips. And the birds are playing their part too, singing and carrying small treasures of twigs to carefully-chosen nest sites.

Before we know it, fourth quarter will be over and graduation will be here. . . .

## HANG ON!!