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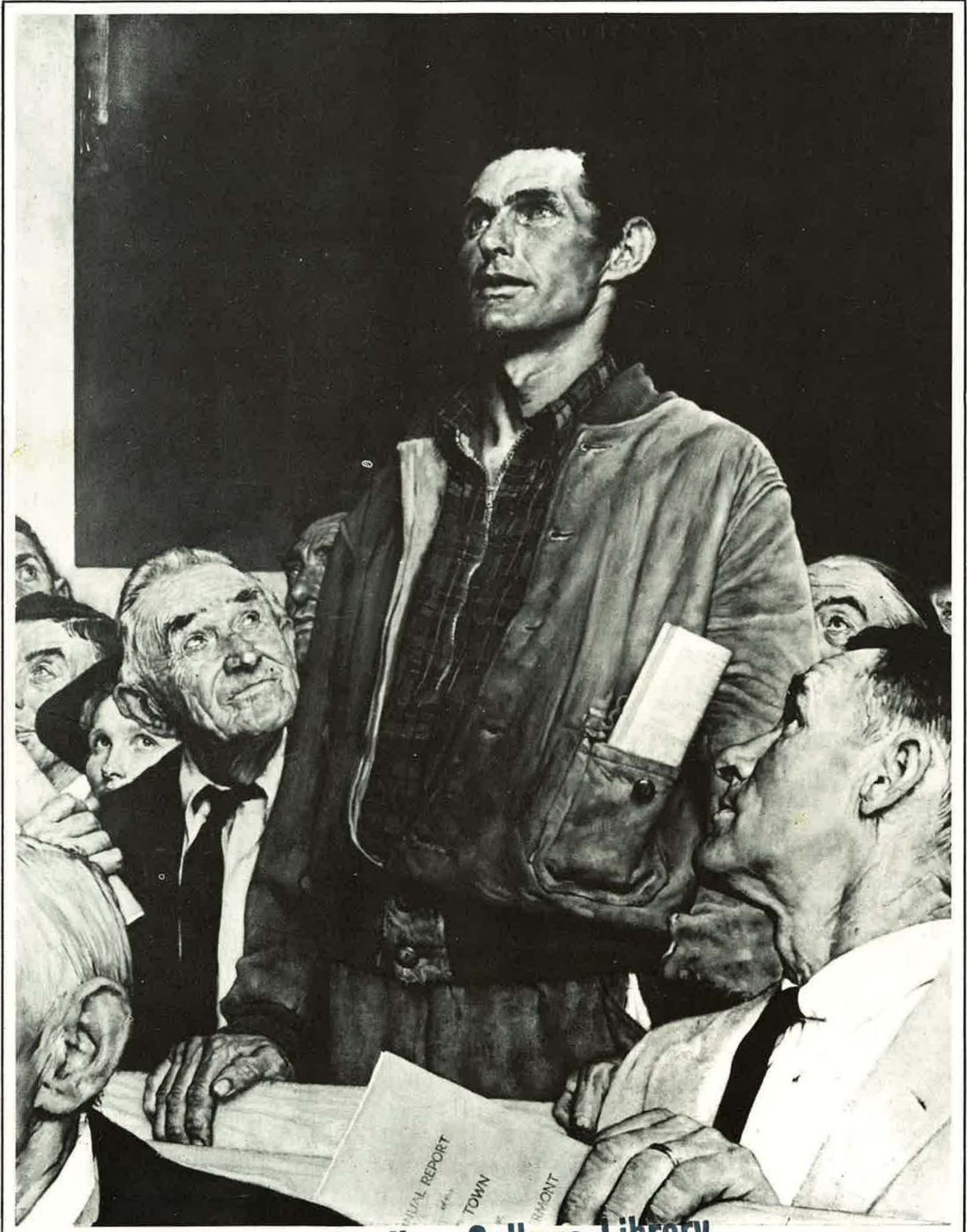
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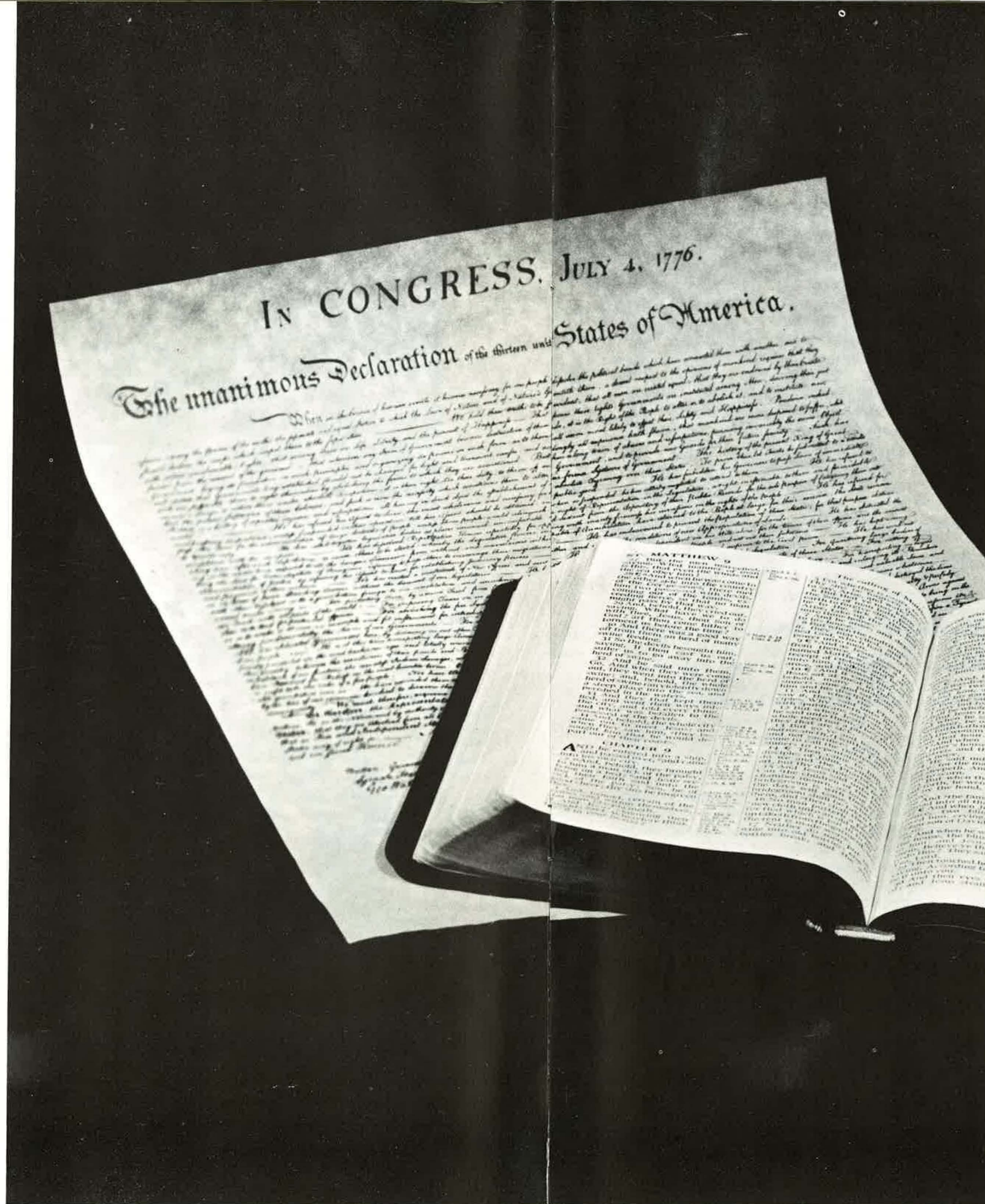
## Four Freedoms

On our cover this month is the famous "Freedom of Speech" painting by the renowned Norman Rockwell. It is one of the "Four Freedoms" paintings Rockwell created in 1943. They first appeared in *The Saturday Evening Post* and the magazine was overwhelmed by the millions of requests for reprints. The Government became interested and additional millions were distributed in connection with the Treasury Department's War Bond Drives during World War II. The originals were sent all over the nation to be exhibited during Four Freedoms War Bond Shows and in succeeding years were reproduced in poster form which have been widely distributed. They have been widely acknowledged as crystallizing the American ideal.

To celebrate the observance of our nation's 200th anniversary, we have received permission from *The Saturday Evening Post* to reprint the four Rockwell paintings: Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Religion, Freedom from Want and Freedom from Fear.

In the issues in which they will be used, we hope to recall the basis for the freedoms and responsibilities which have been part of our daily lives throughout this nation's history. More than that, we hope to motivate your thinking as to the current state of affairs in our country. Do these freedoms still exist? Are we in danger of losing the real meaning of what our freedoms are all about? Is it time to re-examine our institutions and, more importantly, to determine if we really believe in the founding principles of this great land?

According to Ecclesiastes 3, there is a time for everything — a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time for reaping and a time for sowing. Perhaps now is the time to rekindle the spark of what liberty in a republic is all about, of being sensitive to the needs and rights of others, and to rededicate ourselves to the paths of honesty and love for God and our fellowman, which has made America the "home of the free."



# Freedom of Speech

By Clifton L. Ganus, Jr., Ph.D.

Freedom is a beautiful word and a concept of relationship that is to be greatly desired. Many have longed for it and have died for it but relatively few men have really experienced it in the history of mankind. The story of man is replete with slavery, serfdom, oppression, tyranny and rulers of men who dictated even the measure of freedom they permitted. The present age is no exception. The great majority of the world's population lives in some form of totalitarian society.

Citizens of the United States of America have been blessed with a tremendous amount of freedom — freedom to direct their own lives, to pursue their own interests, to speak their own minds and to worship their God without human restriction. This freedom, conceived in Colonial America, was given birth in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution and has matured significantly in the past two centuries. Freedom of speech is an integral part of American life and without it other aspects of freedom would be extremely difficult if not impossible.

Despite the British theory of Mercantilism which saw the American colonies existing for the good of their mother country, their interests, hopes and ambitions began to draw apart. A century of laxity in enforcement increased the gulf that existed between England and the colonies. The seed of the great American freedom was being sown. At the close of the French and Indian War in 1763 British officials began a series of restrictive measures that led to open rebellion and to a Declaration of Independence.

The Resolution of Independence and the prospect of American freedom was so promising that many were highly elated. John Adams wrote to his wife Abigail that "It ought to be celebrated by later generations of grateful

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Americans as the day of deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty, pomp and parade, shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward, evermore."

After the Declaration of Independence the new states formed constitutions in 1776 which contained bills of rights to protect the freedom of individuals. These documents served as a valuable source for the United States Constitution of 1787. There was, however, no Bill of Rights in the original constitution. Many prominent Americans felt that the rights inherent in the new American system should be written in order that there be no misunderstanding of individual freedom. Thomas Jefferson would not support the Constitution until a bill of rights was promised. In the first congress ten amendments were proposed and were accepted. The first amendment guaranteed that American citizens would not be deprived of their right to speak, to write or to publish their sentiments. Freedom of speech and of the press was a reality. What a tremendous blessing it has been to generations of Americans and to the free world.

Freedom of speech means that an individual has the right to be heard, to speak his mind without fear of oppression by his government of his fellow citizens. His views may be contrary to accepted norms and he may be disagreeable but he has a right to express freely his views. This is true not only of the well born and leaders of men but of the humblest citizen as well. Newspapermen may report news as they see it even if it is detrimental or embarrassing to those who are in high places or in authority. Witness the episode and aftermath of Watergate. Ministers are free to preach what they believe to be the will of God. Citizens may take to the street corners to propagate their theses, and ideas flow freely in the marketplace.

Freedom, however, is tempered with responsibility. There can be no freedom without obligation, or liberty becomes license and chaos results. A man must, therefore, be responsible for what he says and be willing to accept the consequences if he becomes libelous, slanderous or untruthful. William Blackstone, the great lawyer, expressed it well when he said that "every freeman has an undoubted right to lay what sentiments he pleases before the public . . . but if he publishes what is improper, mischievous or illegal, he must take the consequences of his temerity." Men must, therefore, be careful to speak the truth and to refrain themselves from malicious and evil expressions.

Freedom of speech has been so much a part of the American scene for so long that it is difficult to realize its importance or how life would be without it. In many countries it doesn't exist and men are afraid to express themselves. A few years ago I was in East Berlin for a day and then spent the evening in West Berlin. I attended a tent meeting in which Otis Gatewood was preaching. After the service six or seven of the audience gathered in the living room of the local evangelist, Richard Walker, to talk with me about life behind the Iron Curtain. They were very nervous and excited and asked that we not identify them in any way. One of the young ladies said, "You Americans don't worry about a knock on the door at night but we do. Some of our friends and neighbors have been taken away and we don't know what has happened to them. We have spies working alongside us in our plants and we don't dare say anything against our government—political or economic." I couldn't help but think how wonderful it is to live in America where we have real freedom of speech.

My wife and I were in Samarkand in southeastern Russia walking in a park at dusk when a young man came up to us and asked, "Do you speak English?" We replied in the affirmative and he asked to talk with us. We really appreciated the opportunity to talk to a young Russian student from Yerevan in Armenia. After a couple of hours we started to leave for our hotel. He asked to walk with us. As we left the park I thought about Watergate and how our President was being accused and attacked from many quarters. I asked the student if he could disagree or criticize his leaders — Brezhnev or Kosygin. His reply was, "Oh no! If we criticize our leaders they think we are crazy." I then asked, "Does that mean that they could put you in a mental institution?" His reply was an emphatic, "Oh yes!" I had been reading about this method of "straightening up the thinking" of dissident elements in Russia and of the treatment of Alexander Solzhenitzen, Andrei Amalrik and a multitude of other Russians who have suffered imprisonment and ill treatment for expressing their views. This young man confirmed such actions.

A long time ago Thomas Jefferson said that he had sworn eternal vigilance against tyranny over the mind of men. A lesser mortal put it this way, "I may not agree with you but I will defend with my life your right to say it." May we continue to express ourselves freely in a responsible way and to utilize a freedom that has assisted us in building a great way of life and a great nation. □

## COLLEGE COSTS

To a young person who wants to attend an institution of higher education, such as Harding College, the major obstacle is most often that of financial limitations.

The task of Director Russell Showalter and the staff in the Student Financial Aids Office is to do everything they can to see that this obstacle is eliminated for those desiring to attend Harding College.

"Financial obligations may seem insurmountable at a glance," Showalter said, "but a student who wants to come to Harding can do so through loans, scholarships, grants, work or by a combination of the four."

During an average school year, more than half the student body receive some kind of financial aid. But there are many who qualify for financial assistance and have not been aware of its accessibility. Parents of students are also frequently unaware of the avenues of financial aid open for prospective students.

More than \$3 million in financial assistance will be available to Harding students in the 1976-77 academic year, according to Showalter. "With our loans, scholarships, grants and work programs, we want to help as many students as possible," he said.

The amount of aid from these sources is determined by the student's need. To determine this need, Harding participates in the American College Testing Program. ACT provides a Family Financial Statement to be filled out by the parent and student and returned to the ACT center. The form may be obtained from Showalter's office.

Federal loan programs at Harding include the National Direct Student Loans (3 per cent interest), the Guaranteed Student Loan Program (7 per cent), the Harding College Federally Insured Loan Program (7 per cent) and the Nursing Loan (3 per cent). No interest is charged to a student while enrolled as a full-time or half-time student.

Students enrolled for at least half-time college work and who can show a financial need may be able to borrow up to \$1,250 per year through the NDSL program. Most of the loans awarded, however, average closer to \$1,000 for a nine-month school year.

NDSL loans have cancellation advantages for those who become teachers and specified military duty. Up to 10 years are allowed for repayment of the NSDL loan and portions or all of the loan can be forgiven, depending upon where and how long a person does his teaching.

All students are eligible for the Guaranteed Student Loans, which provides up to \$2,500 for a regular school year. The maximum for an undergraduate is \$7,500. The loan is not borrowed from the federal government but through a student's hometown bank or some other private lending institution.

Many students are eligible for federal interest benefits for such loans. If you qualify for these, the Federal Government pays the interest while you are a student,

provided the family's adjusted gross income is less than \$15,000 or a demonstrated need by the ACT analysis. Repayment for up to 10 years at 7 per cent interest need not begin until the student has ceased being a student for nine months.

Harding's scholarship program is made up of academic, departmental, special subject area, athletic and state of Arkansas scholarship. (Only freshmen from Arkansas qualify for the last one.)

A student with a good academic background can earn as much as \$1,400 in scholarships for four years at Harding. An entering freshman who achieves a composite score of 29 or above on the ACT exam or who is a semifinalist in the National Merit Testing Program is eligible for a \$1,400 scholarship.

A composite score of 25 to 28 on the ACT qualifies a student for a \$1,000 scholarship. Both the \$1,400 and \$1,000 scholarships are prorated over four years or eight semesters of college work. They also may be applied to summer school work on a prorated basis.

Valedictorians and salutatorians of their high schools qualify for the \$1,000 scholarship whether or not their ACT composite score totals 25.

A transfer student may qualify for an academic scholarship of \$125 to \$175 per semester providing his grade point average in the college from which he transfers is 3.2 or higher. The \$175 scholarship per semester requires a grade point average of 3.85.

A few scholarships are given in speech and debate, vocal and instrumental music, home economics and art. For information write the appropriate department chairman.

Athletic grants-in-aid are available only in football and basketball according to rules of the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference. The grants-in-aid cover room, board, tuition and fees. For information, write the head football or head basketball coach.

Grants available to students who demonstrate an exceptional financial need include the Supplementary Educational Opportunity Grants, Basic Educational Opportunity Grants and Nursing Scholarship Grants. No repayment is required on these grants.

For those who require the Supplementary Educational Opportunity Grant, the extent of the need is determined by the ACT financial analysis. This grant ranges from \$200 to \$1,500 per year and must be matched by Harding with an equal amount of aid in some other form.

In the course of a school year, approximately 425 of the college's students are employed in some way through the work programs. Some work up to 15 hours a week and thereby earn more than \$400 per semester. Many, of course, work fewer hours and earn less accordingly. On-campus jobs include work in cafeterias, the library, laboratories, maintenance facilities and the college's auxiliary enterprises.

Applications for work or for any other form of financial aid are available from the Director of Financial Aids, Box 940, Harding College, Searcy, Ark. 72143.



*Two-year preacher training program:  
An answer to a growing pulpit need*

## CCP: Variety of Men, Unity of Purpose

*By Tim Bruner*

A rock and roll musician, a truck driver, a missionary, a professional football player, an army sergeant, a machinist, a high school coach . . . they had very little in common before being brought together by what they call "the CCP."

And now they have a great deal in common, most important being the awareness of an urgency to preach the Word.

With backgrounds that sound more like a potpourri of vocational openings in a Help Wanted column, these seven men and 39 others compose the first two classes of Harding College's Christian Communications Program, better known to the members as simply CCP.

The Christian Communications Program is Harding's new thrust in her effort to encourage the evangelization of the world. It is a new concept in preacher training, designed to provide the maximum individual training during a concentrated two-year program. The goals of the program, according to Director Ed Sanders, are to help men develop their preaching abilities and to increase their effectiveness as ministers of God's Word.

A breakdown of the CCP student body would illuminate diversities hardly imaginable for the small number of 46. Some have masters' degrees, while others do not even have a formal high school diploma. One man is 46 years old; another is 21. A few are single, most are married and one is the father of five children. Some heard of the CCP through Harding College, a few heard of Harding through the CCP.

The students come from as far as Connecticut and New Jersey on the East Coast to California on the West and from Michigan on the Canadian border to the Gulf

Coast states of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama on the south. Four are from foreign countries — Brazil, England, France and Sierra Leone, Africa.

After dropping out of school at the age of 14, Harry Whitt of Dayton, Ohio became a drummer with several bands. In a few years he earned a reputation as a good drummer, singer and stand-up comedian in the big city night-club circuits. But in his transient neon-light life, Whitt had also found the drug scene, and he soon became an addict.

Whitt can look back on that life now. His life is different. He is now 32, married and a father, a most important, a Christian. Since becoming a Christian in 1969, his major objective has been to learn more about the Word of God and his responsibility as a Christian. This objective led him to the CCP, and he enrolled in the program's first class, the Alpha class, in August, 1974, with financial help from about 50 interested individuals.

"Three of my best friends were also drug addicts," Whitt said. "One died of an overdose, one is in a mental institution and the other is crippled for life as a result of his addiction. I was lucky. But now that I know the truth about life, I want to tell the literal millions I saw who need help, help that only God can give, and this program is making that possible."

Darce Paschall is 46 years old and is learning to intensely study all over again, but that is just as he wants it. Before coming to Searcy from Morris, Ill. a year ago, he had enjoyed a successful 15-year career as a trans-continental truck driver. He had preached in a part-time capacity before enrolling. The more he preached, the more he wanted to work at it on a full-time basis. And the "crash course" of the preacher training program was just what he was looking for. So he enrolled in the 1975 class, the Beta class.

"The idea that I could learn so much about the Bible in such a short time fascinated me," he said. "That fact and the well equipped facilities provided here gave me all the encouragement that I needed, in addition to the encouragement I received from my wife."

Betty Paschall wanted Darce to preach and she encouraged him to enroll in the CCP to develop his abilities. But she did so realizing that she too would have the opportunity to sit in on some of the Bible classes. With the raising of her family, consisting of three sons, behind her, she has been attending the courses with her husband.

"We've both always wanted to learn more about the Bible and better prepare ourselves for the work we want to go into," Mrs. Paschall related. "Now we are learning things we could never have learned on our own. The academic climate of a college campus encourages serious study, and we get the added benefits of this atmosphere concentrated in a two-year training program."

In addition to the option of attending the regular daily classes, wives also attend a special Bible class on Monday nights. On Thursday nights they study with outstanding Christian women in the Searcy community.



The Alpha and Beta classes, with some of the Harding Bible faculty, are currently enrolled in the Christian Communications Program's preacher training sessions.

"In our classes we gain a greater understanding of what the role of the preacher's wife should be," said Mrs. Pamela Anderson, wife of Charles Anderson, of Shreveport, La. "It's encouraging to meet with other Christian women to share and discuss goals and problems that mutually concern us."

Bill Burchett, an Alpha student, holds two masters' degrees, one in history and one in public school administration, and had spent almost eight years as a missionary in France before coming back to be trained in the CCP. Nearing the age of 40, he viewed his situation as a now-or-never decision.

"I felt the need for specialized training in the skills of preaching," he said, "and the need for learning how to teach what we can learn about preaching skills to others. In a missionary's work, it is essential to not only be adept at proclaiming God's Message but also to help others who are learning how to carry out the Great Commission in a mission area."

Burchett cites the well-established Bible faculty at Harding for being a major influence in his decision to enroll. "The teachers in the CCP are Biblically sound, highly qualified in academic terms and broadly based in their scope. This is something I needed ten years ago when I first decided to preach."

Currently CCP students have the opportunity to study under 16 full-time Bible professors. When the Gamma class is admitted in August, the faculty will be increased to 18. The Harding Bible faculty represent a combined total of more than 200 years in Christian education and

480 years of preaching experience. Such a large faculty ensures that the student will have the best qualified teacher in each course.

Willie Franklin, a former professional football player with the Baltimore Colts and the Los Angeles Rams, also considers the teaching staff to be one of the program's strongest points.

"It's a thrill for me to be able to study under Christians who do more than talk a good sermon," the former University of Oklahoma athlete stated. "These men go all the way with their work. They do what they teach us from the Bible . . . they literally practice what they preach. And it makes a difference to us, the students."

Franklin, 26 and single, has been a Christian for almost three years. Influenced by Ronnie Fletcher, a minister in Clinton, Okla., and the late Delmar Owens, he decided to go all the way in his new life and "take the Gospel to a lost world." The CCP was the quickest and best way he knew to accomplish that goal.

"After hearing about the program here I expected a lot from the CCP," he said, "but after getting here I found much more that I had anticipated. We are stimulated to study the Bible, and as we do, we get more excited about teaching what we learn to others. We are made aware of the urgency in the Great Commission."

A 21-year veteran of the armed services, Glover Ramsey points out the unique design of the CCP as another significant attraction.

"The CCP is a complete preacher-training system,"





Darce and Betty Paschall study together in their home.



Willie Franklin applies his CCP training in a chapel presentation.



CCP students employ the latest in audio and video equipment.

the retired army sergeant said, "In addition to the well established faculty, there is the accessibility of a library with more than 125,000 volumes, including all the religious material a Bible student could ask for, and the latest in educational facilities and techniques for Biblical study and sermon preparation."

The facilities he referred to are located in the \$450,000 Christian Communications Center. The two-story structure contains a fully equipped closed-circuit color television studio and laboratory. Video tapes record a student's actual preaching style, appearance and delivery from two different cameras. By viewing a replay of the presentation both teacher and student are able to evaluate and chart the student's progress.

The center also serves as a missionary training laboratory equipped to aid the student in the mastery of textual Bible materials and modern foreign languages needed by missionaries. These materials are taught by tape recording. Cantonese, Dutch, Portuguese, Russian, Serbo-Croatian, Swahili, Swedish and Urdu are examples of languages which have been taught with this equipment.

Fred Picker of O'Fallon, Ill. was aware of the program's outstanding facilities, but a little prodding from son Kurt, a senior Bible major at Harding, provided the go-ahead encouragement that he was hoping for.

"Like many I have spent years 'considering' full-time preaching," the elder Picker said. "I had more or less suppressed a desire to preach, but these desires began resurfacing and I couldn't ignore them any longer. Kurt was always ready to put in a good word for Harding's

Bible program, and when the CCP began, he urged me to follow up on my desires."

A successful machinist with 23 years in the trade, Picker, 44, his wife Syble and their two youngest children, Brenda, 17, and Bruce, 11, moved to Searcy almost two years ago from the East St. Louis area where he had been an elder in the church for six years. Now he studies the Bible and Bible-related material for usually 18 hours per day. Mrs. Picker works to help in the family's support.

"Making such a big move was a bit scary at first," Mrs. Picker reflected of their decision. "We had to pull up roots in almost every conceivable way, but ours was a family decision for something we considered more valuable than anything we had ever worked for."

On weekends the Pickers work with the Crossroads Church of Christ in Bradford, 25 miles from Searcy. Since he began preaching at the small congregation, attendance has increased by more than 50 per cent.

Bill Laird, a former junior high and high school football coach, is also very active on weekends. The 32-year-old Arkansas native travels home to Benton each weekend where he works with the young people in the church. Last year he coached in Benton, and his wife, Kathleen, and their three children, reside there where she teaches while he attends classes in Searcy Monday through Friday.

"We decided that we wanted to go into full-time preaching work," Laird said. "And we knew that proper preparation would be essential, regardless of any sacrifice it might require. The two years I'm spending in the CCP is an investment, not a time loss."

The two-year period consists of 24 consecutive months of study and application. Four courses are completed every eight weeks, and there are ten eight-week terms of classwork study. The students are in classes for 27 hours per week, and at least an equal amount of time is required for preparation outside the classroom. These hours and the required work with congregations brings each student's work week to more than 60 hours, which makes secular employment impossible.

During the weekend work with congregations, students assist in preaching, song leading, classroom teaching, evangelistic campaigns, door-to-door canvassing, bus programs, the planning of educational programs for Sunday Bible schools and various kinds of visitation efforts.

Each student is required, as a condition of graduation, to participate in at least one evangelistic campaign in the United States and one such campaign overseas. Some of the students, like Charles Anderson, feel like the campaigns are as important as any of the program's requirements.

"The campaign work is as valuable to a preacher trainee as classroom study," said Anderson, a 1972 Harding College graduate. "There is no substitute for actually getting out in the field. What we learn in a first-hand teaching experience is a practical application of what we are learning in class, and it stays with us even longer. It's like on-the-job training for us."

Last year's overseas campaign work was concentrated in the West Indies. The Alpha class began 197 home Bible studies in Jamaica. Of these, 117 were completed and 43 persons were baptized as a result. Forty of those

were continuing faithful worship and study six months later. These campaigns provide not only an avenue for gaining experience in the mission field but also an opportunity to learn something about what a missionary must do to adjust to a different culture.

The needs of the mission field have had a great impact on the program's first graduating class. After a July 31 graduation ceremony three families from Alpha class plan to do mission work in England, three others will go to France, two to West Africa, two to Australia and others to mission points within the United States, such as in the northern Midwest area and near Navajo Indian settlements in the Southwest.

Although the next overseas campaign, for the benefit of the Beta and Gamma classes, is not scheduled until the summer of 1977, the students will not be without campaign work this year. Thus far CCP members are scheduled to participate in 20 domestic campaigns. Sixteen are slated for Arkansas; others will be held in Iowa, Oregon, Missouri and West Virginia.

The CCP officials also meet frequently with a group of 70 well known preachers and church leaders in the brotherhood who share concern for the need of world evangelism. This group meets twice annually on the Harding campus and makes recommendations which keep the training relevant to the needs of the church. They also assist in recruiting and placement whenever possible and exchange correspondence with Sanders and Dr. Jerry Jones, head of Harding's Bible department.

The entire program is directed by Sanders, an individual uniquely qualified for the job. Converted at the age of 27, he had spent more than ten years in the mechanical engineering trade before attending the Harding Graduate School of Religion where he received his master's degree. His 20 years of preaching experience and his work in two other preacher training institutions, combined with his technical skills, provide a valuable asset to the program.

"It's easier for me to identify with some of the CCP students because I made the same decision they must make to uproot one's way of life and career and begin another," said the native South Arkansan. "It was a big decision for me, and it's a big decision for these students."

Sanders, who joined the Harding Bible faculty in 1973, indicated that there are still openings for the third class, the Gamma class, which will begin course work in August. "We would like to reach our class capacity of 40 students," Sanders added.

Some have already applied for the third class. A survey of the applicants to date indicates a continuation of the established trend. One applicant is a computer salesman; another is a veterinarian. Applications have come from as far away as the Netherlands and India.

The reason so many men with such diverse backgrounds and interests can be so unified in one program is found in the CCP's basic prerequisite — "an earnest desire to preach the Good News." □



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## TWO PREACHER WORKSHOPS TO REACH WIDER AUDIENCE

Harding's summer preacher workshop program has been divided into two sessions and expanded to reach a greater audience this year, according to Dr. Jerry Jones, chairman of the Bible department.

The first session, scheduled for June 8-10, will be a highly concentrated workshop dealing solely in sermon content and delivery. A response to requests for a repeat of last August's highly successful three-day workshop, the session will be limited in attendance to the first 100 to request reservations.

August 3-5 will be the date for the second session, which will actually be three separate workshops for preachers, elders, and preachers' and elders' wives. Featured speakers for combined meetings at night include Dr. Clifton L. Ganus, Jr., president of Harding, David Powers, a minister from Williamstown, W. Va., and Dr. Paul Faulkner, a professional counselor of Abilene, Tex.

Further information and brochure material may be obtained by writing Dr. Jerry Jones at the Harding Bible Department.

## KELLY RECEIVES DOCTORATE; CONFERMENT SET FOR MAY 9

Robert J. Kelly, assistant professor of business education and secretarial science, has completed requirements for the Doctor of Education degree from the University of Mississippi. The degree will be conferred at Oxford May 9.

Kelly is a 1963 graduate of Harding who joined the staff here in 1969. His dissertation is entitled "An Evaluation of the Business Curriculum and Teaching Practices in the Department of Business and Economics at Harding College based on an Analysis of Responses of the Graduates for the Years 1966-73, Inclusive."



Dr. Robert Kelly

## DATES, WORKSHOPS SET FOR SUMMER

This year's summer sessions are scheduled for June 7-July 9 and July 12-Aug. 13, according to Dr. James F. Carr, director of the summer program.

Several special workshops have been planned for the sessions. They are:

Teaching Reading in the Primary Grades, June 21-July 2; Workshop in American Ideals and Institutions, June 23-July 9; Introduction to Computing for Secondary Teachers, July 26-Aug. 6; Workshop in American Poetry, July 12-July 23; Elementary Science Workshop, June 7-18; Workshop in Speech Communication, July 12-30 and Bird Study, June 7-18.

The following are also offered in the area of special education: Language Disorders, July 12-30; Advanced Individual Speech Therapy Study, July 12-30; Seminar in Speech Pathology, July

12-30; Introduction to Special Education, June 7-July 9; Psychology of Exceptional Children, July 12-Aug. 13 and Nature and Needs of Children with Specific Learning Disabilities, June 7-July 9.

Further information concerning any of the workshops may be obtained by writing Dr. Carr. Information concerning regular graduate level courses may be obtained by writing Dr. Wyatt Jones, Director of Graduate Studies, Harding College, Searcy, Ark., 72143.

## ORGAN SELECTED TO EDIT HONOR SOCIETY JOURNAL

Dr. Dennis M. Organ, assistant professor of English, has been named editor of the National Council of Alpha Chi Recorder, the official publication of the honor scholarship society.

The publication reports proceedings of activity in the regions of Alpha Chi and records significant papers and research by members of the academic organization. He will also edit a newsletter and handle any other publicity for Alpha Chi, which has approximately 70,000 members in the 154 active chapters in 39 states.

Dr. Organ achieved membership in Alpha Chi while he was a student. After receiving a master's degree in journalism at the University of Missouri, he joined the staff as Director of the News Bureau in 1967. Later he began full-time teaching in the English department and has completed a doctorate in the field at Texas Tech.



Dr. Dennis Organ

## SUMMER REUNION PLANNED FOR CLASS OF '66 FAMILIES

The class of 1966 is planning a family-oriented 10th year reunion in Searcy June 26. Class president Tom Blucker of Denton, Tex., explained that a summer date was chosen to coincide with the vacation times of most alumni.

Blucker and a committee of Searcians in the class are planning a family picnic at noon in the College Park and a casual evening banquet and program at the Camp Wyldewood retreat center.

A \$4 fee per adult will cover the banquet cost. Each family will bring its own sack lunch to the picnic.

Blucker is asking that reservations be sent to him by May 1, along with a \$1 deposit. His address is 513 Northridge, Denton, Tex. 76201.

## DEAN NAMED TO COMMITTEE OF HONOR SOCIETIES GROUP

Dr. Joseph E. Pryor, dean of the college and vice president for Academic Affairs, was elected to the Executive Committee of the Association of College Honor Societies at the annual meeting of the organization at the Airport Hilton in Indianapolis Feb. 26-28.

Dr. Pryor was one of the two members-at-large elected at the final business meeting. He represented Alpha Chi, the national honor scholarship society which he serves as national secretary-treasurer.



Dr. Joseph Pryor

ACHS is an association of college honor societies stressing high academic achievement for senior college and university students either in the area of general scholarship or in specialized fields.

Dean Pryor has been affiliated with Alpha Chi since the Arkansas Eta chapter was installed at Harding in 1957, serving as a sponsor of the chapter. He served 11 years as secretary-treasurer of Region II and has served as national secretary-treasurer since 1970.

## GANUS, PRYOR INCLUDED IN BICENTENNIAL BOOK

President Clifton L. Ganus and Dr. Joseph E. Pryor, dean of the college, have been selected for inclusion in a special bicentennial publication, "Compatriots in Education."

The two Harding administrators were nominated by Kappa Delta Pi national honor society in education for having made major contributions to education in America.

## WATER BUFFALOES CAPTURE FIRST CONFERENCE CROWN

The Harding Water Buffaloes capped their first undefeated season in the AIC by winning the 13th Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference Swimming and Diving Championships recently.

Breaking eight of ten existing school records, the Bisons won seven events while amassing 136.5 points to convincingly dethrone defending champion Hendrix College who had won the league title for the last ten years.

Freshman sensation Norman Kahla of Deer Park, Tex. provided the biggest surprise in the AIC while pacing the Bisons with a triple victory in the 100-, 200-, and 500-yard freestyle events as well as anchoring the winning 400-yard freestyle relay team. For his efforts, Kahla received the high-point trophy following the meet.

Another Harding freshman, Steve North of Orlando, Fla., defeated the defending champion and set a new school mark to win the 200-yard backstroke event. Senior Mark Trotter of Independence, Mo. became the first diver in AIC history to win four consecutive diving championships as he recorded a total of 358.90 points. The Bisons' other first was earned by senior workhorse David Denman of Memphis in the 1,000-yard freestyle.

Dale Linge, the '75 titlist in the 500, was the high-point runner-up with 18.5 points, finishing second in the 200 medley, 200 butterfly and 100 freestyle and finishing a leg on the 400-yard freestyle relay. The medley and butterfly times were new school standards.

Since first assuming the head coaching job in 1972, Pylkas has directed the Bisons to three consecutive second places in the AIC before breaking through to the top in '76.

## HOMECOMING GAME SLATED; DATE SET FOR OCT. 29-30

October 29-30 is the weekend date for the 1976 Harding Homecoming. The Bisons will host Tarleton State University of Stephenville, Tex. in the Saturday afternoon football game. Other details will be given at a later date.

## SPORTS PUBLICATION WINS ALL-AMERICA RECOGNITION

"Harding '75-'76," the college's annual basketball media guide, has been named an All-American award winner by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

The Harding brochure, produced by the college's public relations office, was one of 15 to be honored by the national organization, according to Don Powers, NAIA director of public relations.



Billy Ray Cox receives the George Washington medal from Rodney Guthrie, Justice of Wyoming.

## Cox Wins Award

Dr. Billy Ray Cox, vice president of Harding College, won the Freedoms Foundation Principal Award in the Public Address category for his speech, "The Rebirth of a Nation — 1976."

Dr. Cox was selected by the Foundation's 1975 National Awards Jury for the honor and received an encased George Washington Honor Medal from Foundation officials. His address was chosen from more than 20,000 nominations. Cox was invited by the Foundation to accept the award at the annual presentation dinner Feb. 21 at Valley Forge, Pa.

Second through fourth place honors in the same category went to Helen D. Bentley of Lutherville, Md., and Senators Jesse Helms of North Carolina and Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, respectively.

Harding's American Studies Program was also honored in the annual citizenship competition, winning the Honor Certificate Award in the College Campus Programs category.

Since 1949, Freedoms Foundation has annually recognized individuals, schools and organizations for constructive words and actions supporting American principles, contributing to good citizenship and offering solutions to contemporary national problems.

The recipients were selected by an independent National Awards Jury which convened in December at the Foundation's Valley Forge headquarters. Chaired by the Honorable Rodney M. Guthrie, Chief Justice of Wyoming, the panel consisted of four other State Supreme Court Justices and 20 leaders of national civic, service club and veteran's organizations.



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## Calendar of Events

Outdoor Band Concert — April 1  
Faculty-Staff Banquet — April 9  
NAIA National Bowling Tournament — April 9-10  
Spring Sing — April 15-17  
Youth Forum — April 16-17  
Development Council — April 23-24  
Orchestra Concert — April 25  
Band & Chorus Bicentennial Concert — April 27  
AIC Golf Tournament — April 28-29  
AIC Track Meet — April 30-May 1  
AIC Tennis Matches — April 30-May 1  
Final Exams — May 3-8  
Graduation Ceremonies — May 9  
Summer School, 1st Session — June 7-July 9  
Preachers' Workshop — June 8-10  
Early Orientation — June 10-12  
Youth Citizenship Seminar — June 13-18  
Deadline for Fall Applications — June 15  
Summer School, 2nd Session — July 12-Aug. 13  
Early Orientation — July 18-20  
Preachers' Workshop—Aug. 3-5  
Elders' Workshop—Aug. 3-5  
Preachers and Elders Wives' Workshop—Aug. 3-5

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