Downpours cause officials to issue boil order

by Emily McMackin and Cheryl Hissong

Cases of bottled water and canned soft drinks filled the dorms and the cafeteria this past week as Harding students and faculty tried to adjust to the boil water order which was issued Monday morning by the Arkansas Department of Health. The order was put into effect for the city of Searcy and surrounding areas as a precautionary measure because of possible contamination in the water system. Under this order, students were warned that the water could be unsafe for human consumption, and that all drinking water should be boiled briskly for five minutes prior to use.

According to Tom Jenkins, director of the county health unit, the boil order was declared when turbidity—a measure of the clarity of the water—in the Red River increased after heavy rain showers. This indicated that bacteria could have entered the water system because of a breakdown of the water treatment processes after the heavy rains.

Many students who drink the water over the weekend have been concerned about when the water might have been contaminated and if they might be at risk from drinking the water before they were made aware of possible dangers. Raymond Thompson, district engineer for the health department, stated in the Daily Citizen that the "problem occurred sometime Saturday." With reference to possible side effects suffered by anyone who might have consumed some of the water, Pat Rice, director of student health services, was quoted in the Citizen, saying, "We have not seen any students with illnesses that we could attribute to impure water."

No one is exactly sure when the boil water order will be lifted, especially since rain has continued to fall. "We are in the process of taking water samples from various points on the system," Jenkins said. "As soon as the samples are considered bacteria-free and safe, the order will be lifted." Phyllis Wright, secretary for the physical plant on campus, offered this caution to students, "Although no one is certain that the water is dangerous for human consumption, students should still follow the boil water order in case the water does contain harmful bacteria."

In the meantime, bottled water will continue to be delivered to the dormitories and students will be provided with clean water every day. From the delivery of the first bottles of water on Monday through 11 a.m. Thursday, approximately 600 gallons of water were distributed.

Students and faculty members who are able to boil water for their own use are urged to do so, to allow most of the supplied water to be used by students who cannot boil water for themselves. According to White County Health Department recommendations, water used for brushing teeth, cooking and washing dishes should be boiled briskly for five minutes. It is not necessary to boil water for such purposes as bathing or doing laundry.

Acappella to perform here tomorrow night

by Carol Birth

One of America's most highly acclaimed contemporary gospel groups, Acappella, will perform in Benson Auditorium tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. The concert is part of Insight '94, a special admissions weekend which will bring approximately 1,000 high school students here from across the country. The quartet consists of four talented men: Gary Moyers, a tenor from Odessa, Texas; George Pendergrass, lead singer from New York City; and Robert Guy, a bass singer from Dallas, Texas.

The concert will be a homecoming of sorts for Guy, who is a 1992 Harding graduate. He holds a music degree and, according to Glen Dillard, is very excited about returning to his alma mater.

"He [Guy] has a lot of friends here...it excites the group. They always enjoy coming to Searcy," Dillard said.

This is not the first year Acappella has performed on campus. Their concerts each year bring together Searcy's youth groups and community.
I'm not sure if anyone has noticed, but the campus-wide recycling program, which was supposed to be in place early last year, has yet to be fully implemented. When I first stepped on campus this fall, I noticed the bright blue receptacles designated for aluminum can collection and hoped that was a sign that Harding was finally catching up with other campuses across the country and becoming more environmentally responsible. Unfortunately, my hopes and dreams were not realized.

At a school such as ours, where so many of the students live on campus, it should be simple to encourage recycling. Receptacles for all kinds of recyclable material could easily be placed on each floor of all the dorms, at least making recycling an option for students. In today's society, where many city councils and local governments are beginning to require curb-side recycling, many of us students are used to recycling when we are at home. In my own hometown, we have collection services for newspaper, glass, plastic and aluminum. Now, every time I throw out a can or bottle because there isn't a receptacle around, I feel like I'm wasting resources. While not everyone feels that way, I'm sure the vast majority of students would not be opposed to recycling, especially if it could be done at little inconvenience to them.

If and when our recycling program is ever completely put into action, I am concerned that it still will not do enough to make sure that we are re-using as much of our cast-offs as possible. For example, there are currently no plans to implement a newspaper recycling program because the school does not itself produce newsgroup. Just because we do not purchase the product through official channels does not mean that it is not a widely-consumed item on campus. It would be simple for materials such as plastic, glass and newsgroup to be collected along with the white paper and aluminum cans already being collected. I would like to point out that our recycling program is still under work. No one has given up on the idea of our campus being able to recycle much of its garbage. We already recycle 85 to 90 percent of our cardboard. Plans are being made to place white-paper receptacles on the desk of each faculty member of the school. Aluminum can receptacles have already been placed in each campus building where there was an interest in having them, while some departments have chosen to recycle their own cans instead of using Harding's recycling services. We are taking steps in the right direction.

Until the school gets its program off of the ground, recycle what you can. In a dorm room, where space is already at a premium, it isn't easy to make room for a recycling bin. Get a bag, put it in your room, and put it in a central location where everyone can use them. Everyone has materials to be recycled, especially now that we are having to drink our water from plastic bottles.

We as students of Harding can do to keep the world clean. For those of you who already recycle, thank you. For those of you who have thought about it but haven't done it yet, get going. For those of you who pur- posefully avoid recycling as a way of making a statement against the political and/or religious views you associate with environmentalists, I hope that you will look past that and see what you can do. Don't confuse taking care of God's creation with worshiping it.

Don't blame movies for society's problems

by Victor McCracken

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LETTERS

Dear Editor,

The idea that Harding spray paints its lawns green to impress visitors is a favorite student story. Basically it is a harmless joke, although sometimes it is used to illustrate what some regard as the university’s false values or hypocrisy, as was the case in a BISON column Oct. 28. Since most students seem to believe the story and since one goal of an educator is to dispel ignorance, maybe it is time to explain that liquid lawn treatments such as fertilizer and weed-killers often add a colored “marker” to help in applying the spray uniformly and thoroughly. Drive around Searcy university’s false values or hypocrisy, as was the case in a BISON column Oct. 28. Since most students seem to believe the story and since one goal of an educator is to dispel ignorance, maybe it is time to explain that liquid lawn treatments such as fertilizer and weed-killers often add a colored “marker” to help in applying the spray uniformly and thoroughly. Drive around Searcy in the spring and you’ll see lots of yards with the bluish-green dye.

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Two hundred students participate in carnival

by Judi Ruhlman

Last weekend, nearly 200 Harding students journeyed to Little Rock and hosted an inner city carnival.

The festivities were conducted in the Silver City housing project, and approximately 400 community youngster participated in the fun. Carnival activities included face painting, a petting zoo, caricature drawing, a ring toss, clowns, water balloon games and singing. Coordinator Chris Phillips felt that everyone had a good time, and he was pleased with the "fantastic community response."

The carnival was made possible through River City minimums, which is the inner city ministry associated with Little Rock's Levy Church of Christ. River City minimums provides the citizen of Little Rock medical care, food, clothing and after-school tutoring for children.

Phillips said that the inner city carnival was a great success. The goal of the project was to "let the people of the (Little Rock) area know that we want to serve them. We wanted them to know that we are loved, because there is a lot of hurt in that area. And, we wanted to show the love of Jesus to them."

Both the neighborhood children and the students who worked at the carnival benefited from the event. "The carnival was good for the kids, and good for us, " Travis Downer, a junior Bible major, said.

"It was really uplifting seeing those kids happy faces, " Workers stated over and over the needs they saw in the lives of the children at the carnival. "It was reminded of how much those kids need Jesus. That's the only way their problems can be solved," Brenna Frey, a sophomore psychology major, said.

In order to emphasize the spiritual aspect of the carnival, two groups of Harding students performed songs of praise. Royce and Fin and Us sung for a couple of hours, and as the carnival began to wind down, other workers began to join in. "I think it was important for those kids to be able to hear Christmas music going on during the carnival instead of the kind of music they might normally listen to," Erin Chandler, chairperson of the music committee, said.

Although Phillips will not be here next year, he said that plans are underway for the second annual inner city carnival. Phillips also hopes that more students will get involved with the carnival next year and serve the people of Little Rock and the Lord through their new ministry.

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The curiosity of a child. Irene Badilla lets two children look at a snake as part of the petting zoo at the inner-city carnival in Little Rock. This was one of several activities kids enjoyed at the carnival. Photo by Nathan Irensaid.

HUG takes students to Holy Lands

by Christie Jandecka

Whether it be riding a comet, floating in the Dead Sea, or taking a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee, 31 Harding students will never think of the Bible lands in quite the same way again.

Besides being able to have fun and get to know each other better, the group of students finished their tour of Israel with different perspectives of the Bible and of the land of Israel.

"These places come to life. Now, I can picture these places when I read my Bible, which helps me put everything into perspective," Shane Prince, a Bible/psychology major said.

Dr. Don Shackelford, director of International Studies, said even he, who had been to the Bible lands before, saw so much more on this trip than during previous trips. "It was a thrill to see it in the Dead Sea, or taking a boat ride in the Sea of Galilee, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, Meso, where 966 Jews killed themselves so they would not have to become Roman slaves, and Jericho, where Joshua brought down the walls.

The week-long tour allowed time to see places from the Old Testament as well. The group traveled to Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found; Mesada, where 966 Jews killed themselves; and Jerusalem, where he lived, and Jerusalem, where he died and rose again. Six days in November have been allotted for personal travel. Some students are considering a trip to Egypt to visit the pyramids. When the semester ends on Nov. 25, more than half of the students will travel independently throughout Europe.

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Sachar releases demo tape

by Judi Ruhlman
Bison staff writer

"This is something God has put on my heart," says Victoria Sachar about her desire to write and sing contemporary Christian music. "I'm writing in how I express myself. Music is a really important part of my life," she says, with a smile on her face.

One might expect these words to come from a devoted music major, but Vikki is working toward her elementary and special education teacher's certification which she is scheduled to receive in May. Vikki does not plan to go into teaching after graduation, but rather to go forward with a musical career, something she would not have imagined would happen even as recently as three years ago.

Although Vikki has loved music all her life, she says her current enthusiasm for the field is a recent development. "I had never considered music as a career until my sophomore year of college," Vikki said. However, now that she is involved, Vikki is focusing on landing a recording contract.

Last weekend, Vikki attended the National Association of Christian Artists and Songwriters Convention, where she participated in vocal and songwriting workshops or seminars. The winners of a Burger King hamburger!

Run For Their Lives 2. Chris Phillips presents a trophy to the overall winner, Tim Cox. The event raised funds for medical supplies to go to Jinja, Uganda, a secondary school in Eldoret, Kenya, and bicycle ambulances for Ghana. Photo by Nathan Ironside.

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Events at a Glance

On Campus

- The Film Studies Association will be showing "Goodbye, Mr. Chips" tonight at 7:00 in Memorial 218.
- Ross Cochran will be speaking tonight at 7 p.m. in the Benson Auditorium as part of Insight '94. Following Cochran's presentation, Rejoice will perform.
- Acrappella will perform tomorrow night at 7:30 in Benson Auditorium. Tickets are $4 and may be purchased in the Admissions Office or at the door.
- Wendy Keener's senior art show will be on display in the Stevens Art Gallery Nov. 15-16.

Little Rock

- The exhibition titled "The American West: Legendary Artists of the Frontier," begins today and will be on display until Jan. 16 at the Arkansas Arts Center.
- Next Sunday, Nov. 13, is Silent Sunday, a benefit buffet dinner for the Arkansas School for the Deaf. Twenty-eight Little Rock area restaurants will provide the food for an all-you-can-eat afternoon. The event takes place from noon to 6 p.m. at the Robinson Center.
- The Arkansas Decorative Art Museum will present the 22nd Annual Toys Designed by Artists Exhibition Nov. 20 through Jan. 8. The museum is located at 7th and Rock St. Admission is free.
"1964 - The Tribute" entertains 700

by D.J. Harris

The group "1964 - The Tribute" returned to Harding Nov. 4 for another successful concert. The group was making their third appearance at Harding, but their first under the title, "1964 - The Tribute." Previously, they had been known as "1964 as the Beatles," but a lawsuit forced them to drop that title.

However, the name change did little to affect their musical talents and their ability to work the crowd. Despite the fact that the lead singer was battling the flu, "1964" took the stage in front of a crowd of more than 700. The group played a set more than two hours long, which included virtually every hit from the Beatles' early years.

"1964- The Tribute" entertains 700

by Matthew Morningstar

This year, the Bison is making an attempt to publish both the winners for the week in the club sports programs, and the champions of that club sport. During this time, I have realized that the number of participants is very large. I'm not sure of the exact numbers, but I'm confident that each person who wants to play in a club sport has a chance to do so.

I think that says a lot about the club program here at Harding. It's important to have that chance for competition. This lets those who would not normally have a chance to play organized sports at the college level either play as they did in high school, or have a whole new world of experiences open to them.

For those who are new to the sports program, this gives them a chance to release tensions and have fun doing it. It also gives them a chance to have pride in their accomplishments and to improve their abilities. There are multiple reasons that the club sports program is invaluable to the new or old club member.

There are many people behind the scenes that make this program work. Barbara Barnes is head of women's intramurals, and Dr. Mike Pruitt is in charge of the men's intramural program.

Each club has an athletic director, and the intramural program has countless supporters on the sidelines.

It's hard to get through Harding and not be involved in this program. But next time you're involved, make sure you show your appreciation to the others around you, and have fun!
Harding sweeps AIC country championships

By Matt Quigley
Bison sports writer

Both the men's and women's cross country teams were victorious in the conference meet last weekend, giving the two teams the final AIC championships in this sport before the conference dissolves next year. Winning the conference meet gives the Bison an automatic bid to compete in the NCAA championships Nov. 19 in Kenosha.

Going into the meet, it was uncertain if the women's team would be able to win their eighth consecutive championship after a season of injuries and red-shifted players, more than anyone else in the conference. The rest of the AIC teams have a core of returning runners around which to build. The Bison, however, will be a faster team than last year, and Morgan expects the defensive pressure to be high so that it will loosen up the offense for greater scoring.

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The win will miss a few days of Thanksgiving break, but freshman Alan Seim says, "I would miss just about anything for the national meet."

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Eight new players add depth

By Matthew Morningstar
Bison sports editor

With a year of experience behind him, basketball Head Coach Jeff Morgan is eager to get his philosophy ground into his returners and new recruits for this, his second year at Harding.

Morgan's philosophy is to work hard as a team, to play smart defense and to capitalize from that work on offense. With this philosophy, he must have depth in order to succeed.

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Returning for the Bison are three starters: senior Sigmond Donelson, a 6-6 forward; junior Scott Webb, a 6-4 guard; and junior Jason Cooper, a 6-7 post player. Also returning is sophomore Darren Gowan, a 6-6 forward.

Of the eight new recruits, four are transfers and four are freshmen. The transfers are Brad Daughtery, a 6-0 guard from Tyler, Texas; J.J. Brown, a 6-5 guard from Ada, Okla.; Kennedy Polidor, a 6-4 forward from the Bahamas; and Fred Hudson, a 6-7 forward from Memphis.

The freshmen are Sammy Usery, a 5-9 guard from Russellville; Cliff Miller, a 5-11 guard from Blytheville; J.R. Duke, a 6-6 forward from Searcy; and Brent Adams, a 6-7 forward from Memphis. LaRon Poulian, a 5-11 guard from Valdosta, Ga., will be red-shirted.

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Five NBA players who have appeared in at least 50 playoff games and averaged at least 18 points five rebounds five assists.

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Lady Bisons aim for championship

by Matthew Morningstar

Bison sports editor

The five-year road for Coach Greg Hamden has been a rocky one at times, and this year it seems to be paying off. The potential of the Lady Bisons is being felt throughout the AIC, and they are expected to be a contender for the conference championship.

Last year, the Lady Bisons won 22-11 against their toughest schedule to date and played in the district finals against Arkansas Tech for the right to play in the national tournament. The Lady Bisons are eager to avenge their loss to Tech, who already has two championships under its belt and stands alone at the top.

“Our women’s basketball team has never won an AIC title, and we have put that at the top of our list of goals,” Hamden said. “We also want to break the all-time win in a season at 23 this year.”

The Lady Bisons are returning two senior three-year starters, Jama Fuller-Money and Christy Talburt, a 5-7 guard from Rogers.

The three sophomores are led by All-AIC performer Bridget Benson, a 5-11 forward, and Angie Fruits, a 5-9 guard, who were both starters and, by consensus, the two best freshmen players in the AIC last year, and Came Lewis, a 5-9 guard who looks to play a definite role for the team.

The talented newcomers who complete the team are Jennifer Shepherd, a 5-4 guard and sophomore transfer from Memphis State; Nicole Walker, a 5-11 forward and transfer from San Jacinto Junior College in Houston; freshman Christy Talburt, a 5-7 guard from Rogers; and Mandy Cox, a 5-5 guard from Paragould who was named Arkansas High School Player of the Year last year.

Their schedule, which includes six of the top 10 teams in the NAIA and one NCAA Division I school, looks to be exciting. “This schedule is the toughest we have ever had, and we are certainly excited about riveting the big teams.”

Hamden said: “We possess speed and quickness with shooting this year. We might be a little short, but we will make up for it in other areas.”

The Lady Bisons are currently ranked in the top 25 in the NAIA for the first time in school history. In their first game, against LeTourneau University last Monday, the ladies were victorious; they will play their first home game of the season this Monday night at the Gause Athletic Center at 6 p.m. against Texas A&M-Commerce.

Volleyball Playoff Tonight

The Lady Bison Volleyball Team will be playing a match tonight at 7:30 against SAU to determine who makes the trip to the NAIA playoffs. The match is at Sheridan High School, 35 miles south of Little Rock. The team would like to get 100 supporters to make the trip with them. Contact Coach Bailey for more information.