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BC's Cross Country Teams Rank 1st And 3rd Among Junior Colleges

by David Mays

Unless you have been residing on another planet or have been incapacitated by mood altering substances for the past few weeks, then you have probably at least heard that Brevard has a cross country team and that there are a few decent runners on it. You may have even heard that the men's team has in the past three years taken 3 consecutive national championships away

from all of the other junior colleges in the United States. What you may not have heard, however, is that this little team of seven runners has once again kicked in to another national title on November 9th on a cold, rainy day in a forest preserve near Chicago, Illinois. Surprised?

The sophomores aren't. Everyone who knew anything about Brevard's cross country (including the guys who ranked the teams) had conceded the na-

tional championships to Brevard even before the first race of the season! Another men's national championship is all well and good, but how about a third place finish for the Brevard's all women all freshman team? (Remember the mustached coach who wanted to finish "somewhere in the top 5?") And how about five runners from the two Brevard teams who earned the title of All American, including two "legitimate" freshmen? In any event (5,000 meters and 8,000 meters to be exact) both teams proved that discipline is not an end in itself and that painful sacrifice can be sweetly rewarded.

The Clarion took some brief time after the scant heralded return of the almost always unsung heroes in spiked shoes (and barely before typesetting time) to speak to some of the runners who gutted out another national championship. When asked for his reaction, Danish freshman John Christenson said, "I was in another world when we won this championship," John, who finish-

ed third overall in the championships with a blazing time of 25:36 added, "I have to keep on practicing." Brian Westrater, a freshman who finished 50 overall in 27:07 said, "It was unpleasant, but I was ready for it. I wasn't thinking about it since it was raining, windy, cold, and muddy." David Coulter, a sophomore and 46th in 27:01 said, "I didn't run up to par, but I ran my hardest under those conditions. It's great to be on two national championship teams."

Standout freshman and All-American Paul Carpenter, who finished 10th overall in 26:03 took an amazingly relaxed view of his accomplishments. "It isn't any big deal. It's been done before. I just want to improve a lot," he stated. Paul, whose goal is to win some races for a big university in the future, claims that, "If I marry a rich girl, I'll quit running." A flustered Dean Duncan took a more emotional approach in his reaction with his comment, "I just washed the mud off my shoes tonight, but I won't wash the mud off my number!" Dean

is also a freshman. Outspoken sophomore Henning Brandt took still another approach. "I felt great," he said, "and it was a relief too." He added, "It's like being on the ninth cloud, a good rainy one. But my greatest experience there (Chicago) was to see the girls running. They fought exemplary." Henning finished 11th in 26:03. Another men's standout is the illusive Winston Brown. His finish speaks for itself. He finished 18th, an All-American in 26:13.

After pushing 11 other teams into the dirt, the Brevard women's team had plenty to say. After running on the heels of Kim Nelson all season, Terrie Jackson finally blasted her way out front finishing 16th, an All-American in 19:48. "Gosh, it's the highest accomplishment I've ever made. It made me feel good for the first year of college running and the first girls' team at Brevard," she stated. Kim Nelson ran a good race herself with a finishing place of 29th in 20:29. "It's quite

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Brevard Student Dies, Another Seriously Injured

by Kirsten Reed

On Friday November 1, while traveling from Lenior, N.C. back to Brevard College, two basketball players were involved in a tragic car accident. Tammy Walton, and Antoinette "Ant" Smith wrecked on Route 18. Other passengers were Tammy's sister Lisa, Antoinette's sister, Cassandra, and their friend Charlotte Hall. Also in the car was Antoinette's daughter, Charmin. Tammy, the driver, lost control of the auto on a wet slick road. As a tractor trailer came around a corner, the two vehicles collided, pushing Tammy's car back 147 feet before coming to a stop in a ditch. She and the other passengers were trapped in the car for about an hour before paramedics could get them out. Judging from the condition of the car, police officers said there should have been no survivors. The roof of the car was caved in lower than the trunk and hood.

The three backseat passengers were transported to Grace Hospital in Lenior. Antoinette was taken to Frye Regional Hospital in Hickory. Tammy died en route to Frye Hospital. Cassandra and Lisa were treated and released Sunday with injuries to their faces. Charlotte was held for a few more days due to serious facial injuries and a cut tendon in her foot. Antoinette will be in the hospital for about a month due to facial injuries and a broken hip and femur. She will hopefully be released the first of January. Antoinette's daughter Charmin, was released November 7th with a broken femur and cuts to her face.

Wondering...

They used to tell me
"It was her time"
Sometimes I wonder
"Why couldn't it be mine."

It just wasn't fair
That she had to go
I need some answers
I need to know.

They used to tell me
"The hurt will go away"
Sometimes I wonder
"How long will it stay?"

Sometimes I laugh
Sometimes I cry
Time so worthless
Just slips on by.

They used to tell me
"She'll be happy now"
But with her gone
I just don't see how.

The pain is deep
The hurt is long
But in our memories
Tammy still lives on...

Attention!!!

Deadline for the Chiaroscuro Literature and Art Contest is Friday, November 22nd. All literature should be submitted in duplicate, one with name and box number, the other without. Entries can be submitted to Mr. Chamlee, MG 129, or to Susan Currin, W. Beam 165-Box 136.

All art entries should be submitted to Miss Cheryl Harrison in the Art Department. Winners of prizes will be announced next semester, and all material will be considered for publication.

"Arsenic and Old Lace" Is A Smash Hit

The drama department's production of "Arsenic and Old Lace" was a smash hit here at Brevard College. The play is a macabre comedy of two old women who murder people out of pity for their miserable lives, and the confusion that occurs when they are discovered.

The two aunts were played by Jane Bailey as Aunt Abbey and Deirdrea Reis as Aunt Martha. These two ladies turned in exceptional performances. The other lead characters were Teddy Brewster played by Archie Lester LeGrone, Jonathon Brewster played by Doug Newberry, and Mortimar Brewster played by Thomas Lane Crittenden.

The first act seemed a bit confusing because of the complicated plot. It was difficult to decide what certain characters had to do with the ongoing plot. There were bodies everywhere and no explanation for them. This confusion was remedied in the second act. The bodies were explained and the motive of the old ladies became apparent. The

play ended comically with the old women being let go despite the many murders.

The costumes were appropriate for the characters. Mr. Cope and his wife designed and created them. They fit in with the

old-maidish characters of the aunts. The set was also right with the furniture reflecting the time period of the 20's and also how two old ladies would quaintly decorate their house.

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Photo by Scott Stonefield

Pictured above left to right in a scene from the smash hit "Arsenic and Old Lace," are Jane Baily, Thomas Lane Crittenden, and Deirdrea Reis.