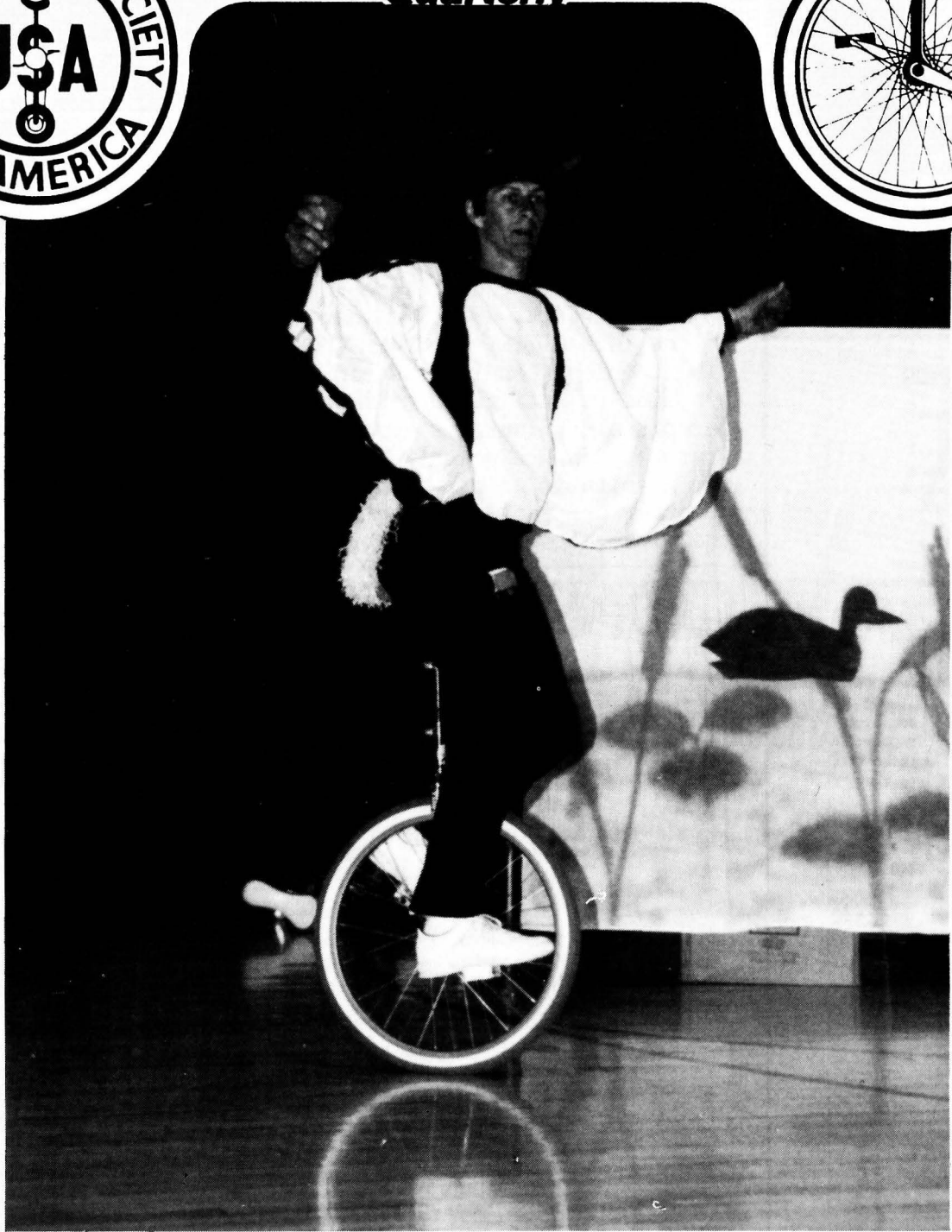


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## COVER:

by David Brichford

Anyone attending the 1987 NUM would agree that the entire weekend could be remembered by two things: COMPUTER and "LEN THE LOON." The loon is the state bird of Minnesota and was everywhere present at the '87 NUM. It appeared on the t-shirts, on the programs, and in the artistic riding competition. The cover (designed by DAVID BRICHFORD) is of LEN SALVERDA, 1987 President of U.S.A., Inc, Director of the TWIN CITIES UNICYCLE CLUB, and - in his own words - "The Looniest Loonicyclist in Minnesota" as he presented his side-splitting, three minute act. Len and all the parents and volunteers associated with TCUC are to be congratulated and sincerely thanked for a job well done. From the hospitable greeting received Friday afternoon to the computer printout sheet for each competitor upon leaving at the close, it was a memorable and enjoyable weekend!

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## ATTENTION ALL UNICON IV ASPIRANTS

Have you already begun packing your bags for a trip to Puerto Rico in August to participate in the international unicycle meet sponsored by the International Unicycling Federation? Have you let anyone else know of your intentions?

This year the organizer of the meet, ALBERTO RUIZ, is planning on having TEAMS from each of the countries attending. This means cooperative effort on behalf of all riders representing any one country. It means wearing a team uniform, working on a team routine, being supportive of other team members, etc., etc. We saw this kind of spirit at the Olympic Games in Canada in February. Alberto wants this same kind of spirit at UNICON IV in Puerto Rico.

Those Society members who regularly attend the annual National Unicycle Meets are probably thinking that that is what they see there. Clubs come together in similar attire with a club routine and a lot of club spirit. However these club members all come from the same area and "getting it together" is not a geographic problem. Independents from areas where there are no clubs are welcomed and often join with other independents in putting together routines worthy of judging in the competition.

In past UNICONS, the independent spirit that often represents the personality of the United States has interfered with the group spirit that should be present. To prevent a recurrence of this your Society President, SETH GRANBERRY, put a questionnaire in the last issue of ON ONE WHEEL (page 14) asking for names and addresses of anyone planning on attending UNICON IV. The Secretary-Treasurer of the IUF, AL HEMMINGER, is sending to Seth the names of any IUF members planning on attending. If YOU are planning on attending, please indicate your interest by writing to:

Seth W. Granberry, Jr.  
3204 Desire St.  
Mobile, AL 36606

JOHN FOSS, former Editor of ON ONE WHEEL, recently wrote to the Society officers indicating that he, too, is interested in putting together a well organized team from the United States. With this kind of talent working together, there should be a fine TEAM from the U.S. at the 1988 UNICON.

## YOU ARE ALL INVITED

to the 1988 NATIONAL UNICYCLE MEET

Picture:

- a quiet college campus on rolling, green terrain
- dormitory rooms ready for occupancy with each suite of two rooms having a private bath
- tennis and basketball courts where a unicycle competition on an unstructured basis can begin at any time
- the largest swimming pool in southern Michigan available for a quick, cooling dip or swim-til-you-drop marathon at \$3.00 per person
- jugglers demonstrating, teaching, passing, sharing
- and EVERYWHERE unicyclists riding, jumping, teaching, sharing . . .

This is what will await you when you arrive on the campus of Eastern Michigan University at Ypsilanti, Michigan just a half-hour drive from Detroit.

After you have checked in and received your envelope of materials (available for those who pre-register), you will have the choice of taking advantage of the unstructured activities that surround you. Or you can participate in the planned workshops that will begin on Friday afternoon.

Saturday will begin early with racing in one of the nicest indoor tracks in Michigan. No one should have to miss a single race, for meals are available either in the college dining room (for those who pre-register) or in the quicky restaurants that are near the campus in Ypsilanti.

The races, scheduled to end just before supper, will be followed by Club/Group parade competition. This will also be held on the spacious indoor track. Ending the very full day will be racing awards and the annual meeting of the Unicycling Society of America, Inc.

Sunday's activities will move down the hall of the athletic complex to the gyms where talented unicyclists will compete for awards in the artistic riding competition. Costumes and music (for Open Class competition) and more tricks than you ever dreamed possible will end with the multiple riding competition of the Clubs and Groups.

Exciting? You bet!!! And it will all happen on: JULY 29, 30, & 31, 1988.

## THE 1987 NATIONAL UNICYCLE MEET

From the moment you rounded the corner into the main road onto the campus and spotted the huge blue sign announcing that this was the location of "THE NATIONAL UNICYCLE MEET," you knew that this was going to be a memorable weekend. After a year's search LEN SALVERDA, Director of the Twin Cities Unicycle Club and President of U.S.A., Inc., had selected Bethel College and Seminary in Arden Hills, Minnesota, for the site of the meet his Club was to sponsor.

The campus was idyllic with beautiful, green rolling hills and a small river circling through them. All of the facilities were conveniently located in the heart of the campus. The hospitable parents who greeted you when you came to pick up your registration packet were further evidence that this was going to be a terrific weekend!

Throughout the afternoon and evening orientation classes were held for parents and older riders who planned to serve as timers and judges on Saturday and Sunday. Without a team of enthusiastic volunteers, no NUM would be possible. It was, therefore, very meaningful when this corp of volunteers received "blue ribbons" for their dedication during Sunday evening's award assembly. This was just one - of many - examples of the thought and heart that went into the 1987 National Unicycle Meet.

The traditional Friday evening workshops continued into the Hospitality Hour in the comfortable cafeteria. It is in this informal setting that much sharing and renewing of friendships took place. "First timers" were made welcome, club directors shared problems and solutions, and friends just enjoyed being together again.

Saturday morning dawned warm and sunny. Another "Officials Orientation" was held before the races began for anyone not able to participate in earlier sessions.

Although there had been some racing competition Friday evening (ultimate wheel, relay, and over 30 mile), these races did not count toward competitors' accrued points. The "official" day of racing began on Saturday at 8:45 a.m. with a resounding rendition of "The Star Spangled Banner." As the races took place, some of the innovative thinking of the Twin Cities Unicycle Club became apparent. The "age of the computer" made

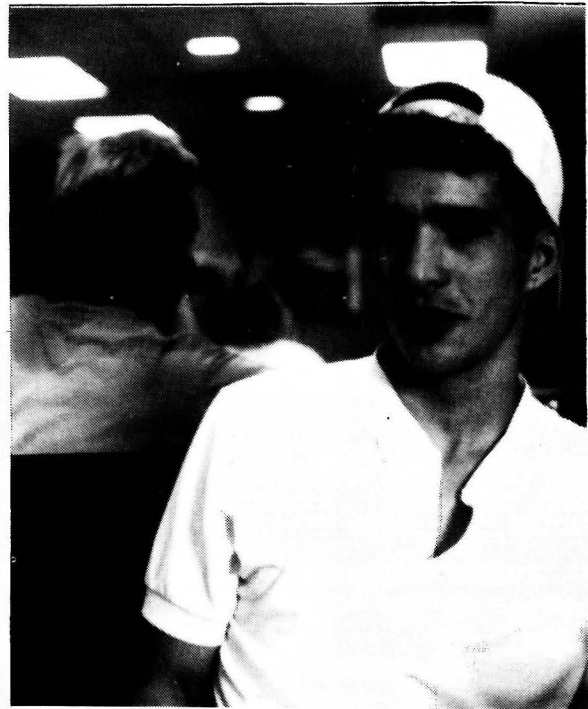
it possible to know the names of each rider for each race and the lane that was to be used.

The finish line for each race was videotaped from two angles so that the results could be reviewed in case there were a conflict. To know what race was being taped, a metal frame at the side of the finish line held large cards indicating the race and whether it was for boys or girls. A parent was responsible for flipping the cards to correspond with the race being run.

The obstacle course was held outdoors at a nearby tennis court. In the past, when this competition is separate from the races, the competitors are hesitant to leave the track area, fearing they will miss one of their other races. By using "walkie-talkies," the parent running the obstacle course was able to tell the riders exactly what race was being run in the field house, eliminating a rider's anxiety of possibly missing another race. The "slow" competition was held in the field house where the announcements of events could be readily heard.

It was in this arena that a number of interesting comments were heard:

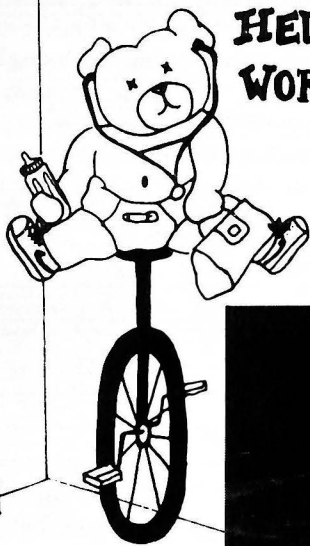
Father to son, "I thought you were going to race the 100." Son, "I was talking and missed the announcement." Dad's reply, "Well, when you snooze, you lose."



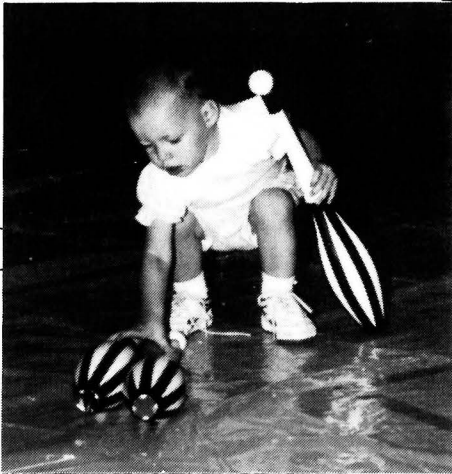
CRAIG KING relaxes in the cafeteria on Friday evening.

And from an eight-year-old chatting with new friends, "Well, when you've been riding as long as I have . . ."

And from the very tired husband-who had been working the entire day-when admonished by his wife to be more patient, "I'm about as patient as I can get."



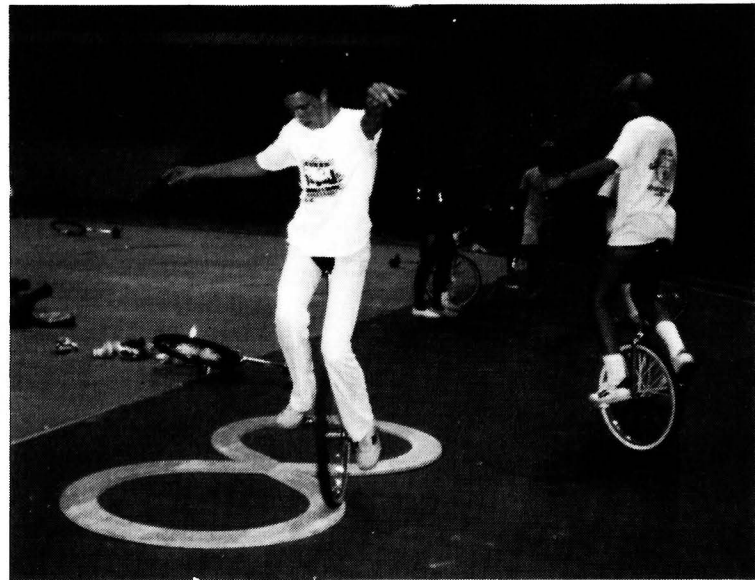
**HELLO  
WORLD!**



Remember the birth announcement of U.S.A. Treasurer WAREN MESSAMER's little girl, Gina Marie (XIII, no.1) This is that young lady participating in her first National Unicycle Meet.



CORINA KUPELWIESER beginning the obstacle course. Note the official is wearing roller skates to aid in mobility. The metal stand (right) held a diagram of the course.

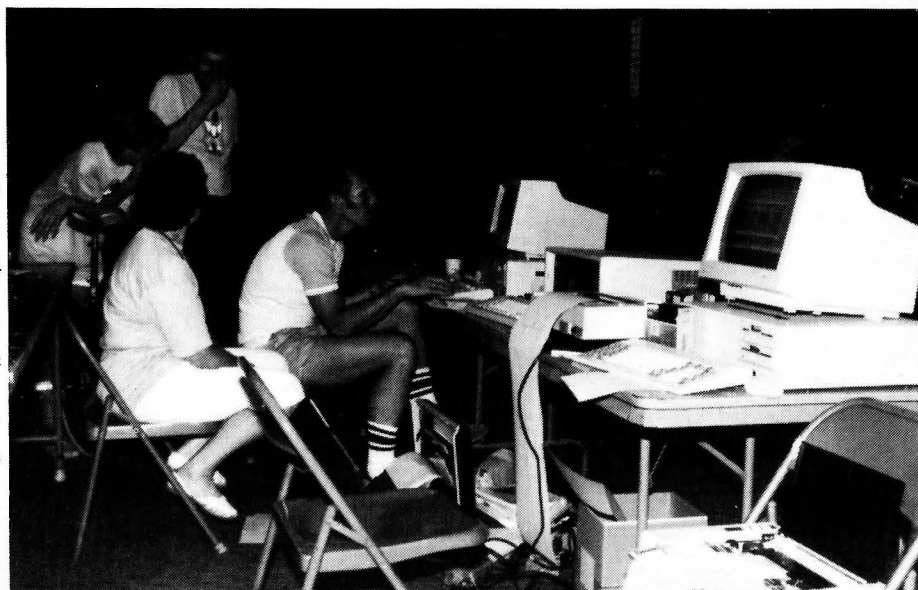


ROGER SMITH rides LEN SALVERDA's plywood figure "8" with circles approximately 4' in diameter.



The center of the field house, halls, parking lots - all provided space for juggling as CHUCK MARQUETTE is <---doing here.

While the computer had been used at past meets minimally, 1987 had a computer at its hub with WAYNE WARD at the keyboard.-> The unfortunate power failure Saturday afternoon gave Wayne and TCUC cause for concern



In spite of the fact that the races had to be discontinued for a half hour in the afternoon because of the power failure, they were completed in time for the dinner hour at 5:00. If was after this time that dirty t-shirts and jeans were exchanged for parade uniforms and over one hundred club-associated riders competed in the parade competition that was held on the race track in the field house.



The UNILIGHTS from Detroit, Michigan, (whose Director is JAMES GREEN) rode in their brilliant green and white uniforms.



The WOOD ONE WHEELERS, from Bowling Green, Ohio, made a striking team in their royal blue jump suits with white shirts, shoes, and hats.

And the TWIN CITIES UNICYCLE CLUB were equally attractive in their black slacks, red shirts, and white vest.



SMILING FACES, with their effective use of flags in the parade routine, just barely edged out the hosting TWIN CITIES.

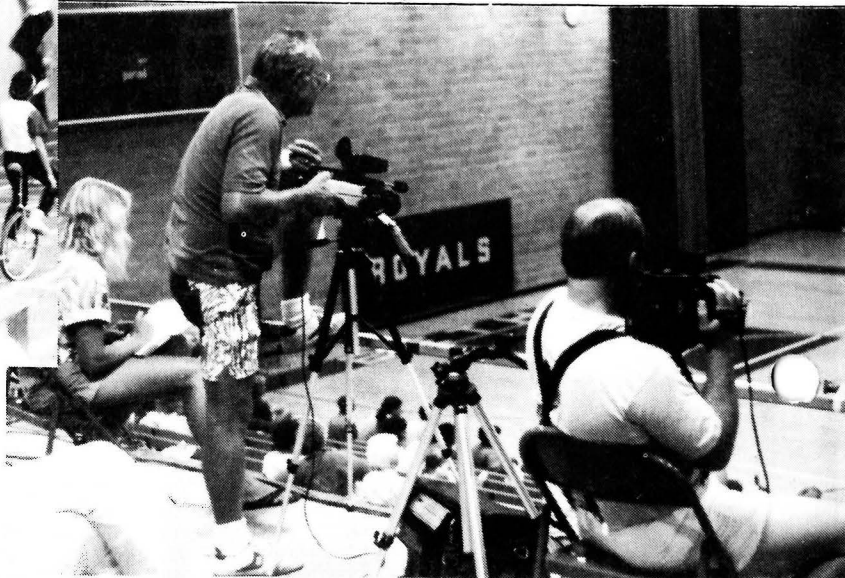


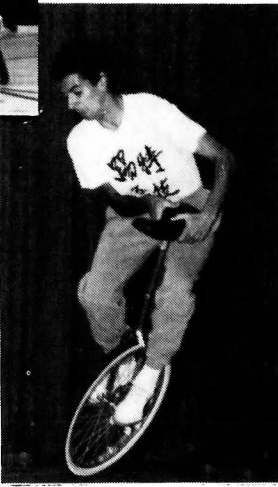
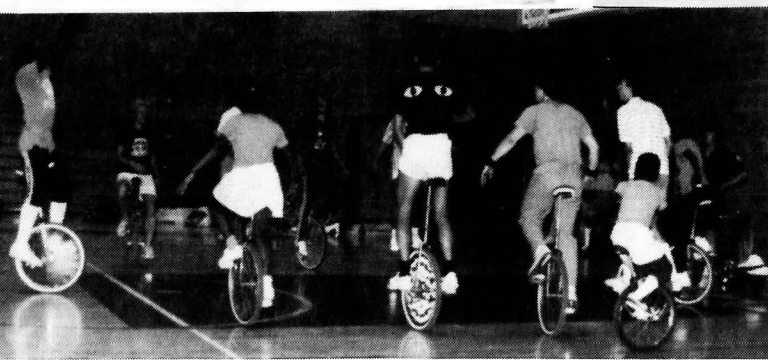
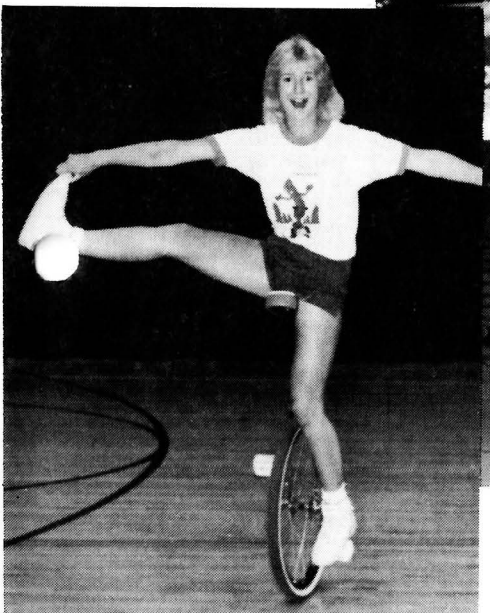
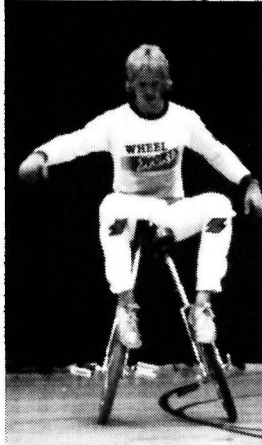
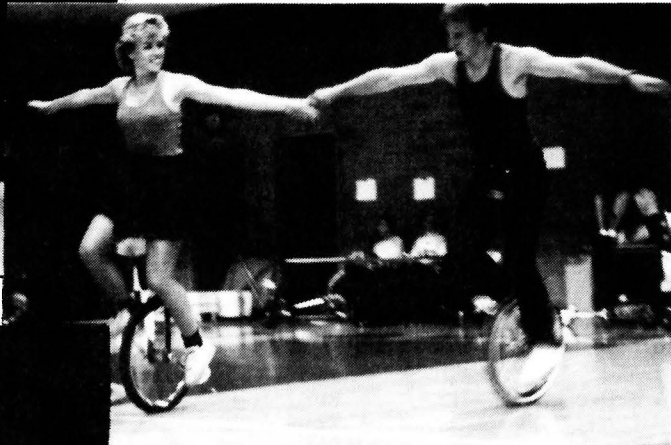
At the conclusion of the Parade Competition everyone left the field house and headed for the gym where excellent demonstrations were held, the awards for the racing competition were given out, and the annual meeting of U.S.A., Inc. was held. The minutes from this meeting will be in the next issue of ON ONE WHEEL.

The 7:00 a.m. non-denominational church service was lead by a minister, father of one of the TWIN CITIES UNICYCLE CLUB members. Because of his association with unicycling, his message and observations were directed to his unique congregation. His theme was: a unicycle has a wheel, seat, frame, and pedals. What you do with them - like what you do with your life - is up to you.

After a filling breakfast, SOME riders and parents began walking to the gym. But no matter how many orientation sessions are held prior to the artistic competition, if the judges are slow to arrive - or never arrive - the competition is delayed. This has happened repeatedly at recent meets, and it happened again in 1987 in Minnesota. Finding 10 judges and getting them seated and ready to begin by 8:45 on Sunday morning is an herculean task! But at last the task was accomplished and the amazing day of artistic competition began to unfold.

Using two sets of judges and two staging areas makes for speedier competition and more audience appeal. The dark blue curtain-available as a ceiling to floor backdrop-added greatly to the performance area. Once again the age of the competition in progress was posted in the back corner of each staging area for the benefit of the videotapes. And the balcony was elbow-to-elbow with tripods, camcorders, and people operating this equipment. The resulting videotapes are probably the best training device unicyclists have ever had.

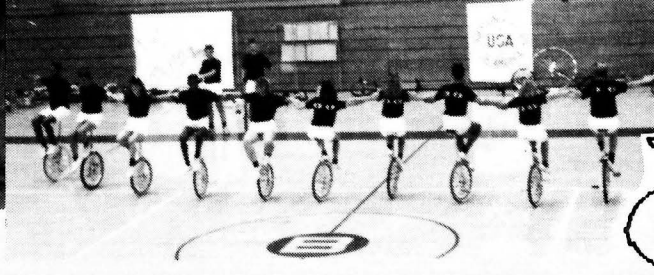
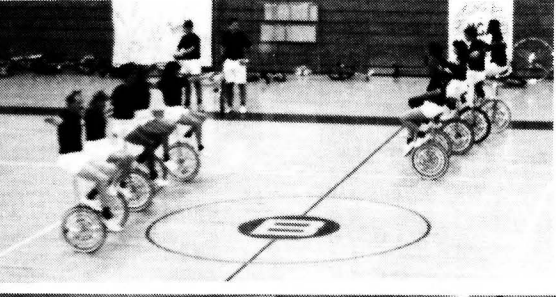




ARTISTIC UNICYCLING - 1987 N.U.M.  
clockwise - beginning upper left

- >BRETT BERNARD & MATT GALLAGHER, 1st in 15-16
- >MOBILE UNICYCLE CLUB members used hinged ramps to aid in packing for the long trip
- >WENDY and CAROL BAHORICH placed 1st in couples at both the NUM and UNICON in Japan
- >BILL KARBO from Minnesota
- >YURI ABRAHAMS, 1st in 17-18 standard class
- >REDFORD TOWNSHIP UNICYCLE CLUB used many walk-the-wheel tricks in their routine
- >SEM ABRAHAMS mounts the 6' from a standard
- >MONICA BUSCH - look for more about her in the next issue of OOW center

- >CONNIE SCHLECK (Vice-President of USA) and brother, ANDY COTTER. Connie returned from UNICON with top artistic honors.
- >The UNILIGHTS invited riders to play a game of basketball for their Club entry







# 1987 National Unicycle Meet Results - Cont'd

## BACKWARDS - 50 METERS

GIRLS 8 & UNDER			
1	Edwards Amy	28.24	CH
2	Schneider Sally	28.32	AW

BOYS 9 & 10			
1	Gilligan Jay	18.93	SF

GIRLS 11 & 12			
1	Ojala Rachel	17.37	AW
2	Vogelsohn Rachael	18.31	SF
3	Schlusser Amy	18.59	WOW

BOYS 11 & 12			
1	Granberry Dale	12.48	MB
2	Schneider Tony	17.84	AW
3	Houck Jeff	23.41	SF
4	Stonerock Aaron	27.69	SF

GIRLS 13 & 14			
1	Edwards Becky	15.83	CH
2	Lentz Anne	16.07	SF
3	McKay Lanetta	16.82	UN
4	Walerius Holly	16.82	SF
5	Kies Keri	18.14	SF
6	Salverda Tracy	19.25	TC

BOYS 13 & 14			
1	Bernard Brian	14.41	TC
2	Schlusser Brian	15.77	WOW
3	Donaldson David	23.27	Ind
4	Snyder Brian	29.34	SF

GIRLS 15 & 16			
1	Busch Monica	16.90	Ind
2	Tyson Rhonda	18.88	PW
3	Ruud Kim	19.13	TC
4	Daugherty Pamela	19.24	MB
5	Salverda Gina	20.88	TC

BOYS 15 & 16			
1	Kelm Dustin	11.31	TC
2	Bernard Brett	14.81	TC
3	Bowers Kevin	15.63	WOW
4	Lewis Sean	17.23	RT
5	Swanson Eric	17.63	TC
6	Ward Chad		TC

GIRLS 17 & 18			
1	Young Elaine	28.88	SF
2	Tyson Tina	21.95	PW
3	Wachtmann Kim	23.78	WOW
4	Hoglund Gaye	24.46	MB

BOYS 17 & 18			
1	McGee Jesse	13.32	RT
2	Granberry Glen	14.10	MB
3	Abrahams Yuri	16.02	SC
4	Hintz Raymond	16.99	UN
5	Rupprecht Lee	18.20	TC

WOMEN 19 & UP AND PROFESSIONAL			
1	Bahorich Wendy	16.06	RT
2	Bahorich Carol	16.17	RT
3	Heminger Teresa	17.16	SC
4	Sutherland Janet	28.37	RT
5	Smallwood Robin	21.53	WF

MEN 19 & UP AND PROFESSIONAL			
1	Abrahams Sem	12.16	SC
2	Mills Pete	12.41	RT
3	Karbo Bill	12.71	Ind
4	Bursell Don	13.31	Ind
5	Fuchs Kenneth	15.11	LI

## WALK-THE-WHEEL - 25 METERS

GIRLS 11 & 12			
1	Ojala Rachel	19.78	AW

BOYS 11 & 12			
1	Granberry Dale	22.88	MB

GIRLS 13 & 14			
1	McKay Lanetta	18.18	UN
2	Kies Keri	23.54	SF

BOYS 13 & 14			
1	Bernard Brian	14.82	TC

GIRLS 15 & 16			
1	Busch Monica	18.32	Ind
2	Salverda Gina	21.48	TC
3	Tyson Rhonda	22.95	PW

BOYS 15 & 16			
1	Bernard Brett	13.42	TC
2	Ward Chad	17.94	TC
3	Smith Roger	18.58	SF
4	Lewis Sean	21.84	RT
5	Lentz Greg	29.84	SF

GIRLS 17 & 18			
1	Young Elaine	24.43	SF

BOYS 17 & 18			
1	Granberry Glen	13.28	MB
2	Abrahams Yuri	17.83	SC
3	Kert Kevin	23.35	RT

## WOMEN 19 & UP AND PROFESSIONAL

1	Bahorich Wendy	13.34	RT
2	Bahorich Carol	13.42	RT
3	Harris Anita	17.56	PW
4	Schleck Connie	19.03	TC
5	Heminger Teresa	19.20	SC

MEN 19 & UP AND PROFESSIONAL			
1	Bursell Don	11.60	Ind
2	Green James	12.52	UN
3	Abrahams Sem	12.87	SC

## SLOW RACE - 1"x6"x10 METERS

GIRLS 8 & UNDER			
1	Schneider Sally	6.43	AW
2	Walerius Julie	5.96	SF

BOYS 8 & UNDER			
1	Courtad Gabe	8.49	SF
2	Irish Sean	4.60	SF

GIRLS 9 & 10			
1	Courtad Brandi	10.23	SF
2	Houck Paula	8.29	SF
3	Irish Kimberly	7.69	SF

BOYS 9 & 10			
1	Gilligan Jay	13.34	SF
2	Van Bergen Dan	8.06	TC
3	Bernard Jimmy	6.80	TC

GIRLS 11 & 12			
1	Ojala Rachel	11.54	AW
2	Edwards Katie	7.88	CH
3	McKay Shanika	7.56	UN
4	Vogelsohn Rachael	6.39	SF

BOYS 11 & 12			
1	Granberry Dale	19.94	MB
2	Courtad Eric	8.56	SF
3	Schaller Larry	8.14	SF
4	Schneider Tony	6.74	AW

GIRLS 13 & 14			
1	McKay Lanetta	9.75	UN
2	Salverda Tracy	9.61	TC
3	Kies Keri	9.40	SF

BOYS 13 & 14			
1	Schlusser Brian	13.84	WOW
2	Gilligan Todd	10.02	SF
3	Snyder Brian	9.57	SF

GIRLS 15 & 16			
1	Busch Monica	15.54	Ind
2	Sanders Tinika	9.04	UN
3	Salverda Gina	8.88	TC
4	Daugherty Pamela	8.09	MB

BOYS 15 & 16			
1	Kelm Dustin	27.10	TC
2	Smith Roger	20.31	SF
3	Bowers Kevin	15.52	WOW
4	Ward Chad	10.12	TC

GIRLS 17 & 18			
1	Young Elaine	14.02	SF
2	Wachtmann Kim	9.17	WOW
3	Hoglund Gaye	7.32	MB
4	Tyson Tina	6.57	PW

BOYS 17 & 18			
1	Granberry Glen	28.13	MB
2	McGee Jesse	16.08	RT
3	Hintz Raymond	13.05	UN
4	Cotter Andy	7.89	TC
5	Kert Kevin	6.54	RT

WOMEN 19 & UP AND PROFESSIONAL			
1	Schleck Connie	14.38	TC
2	Bahorich Carol	14.35	RT
3	Heminger Teresa	13.33	SC
4	Britchford Nancy	11.38	RT
5	Bahorich Wendy	10.12	RT

MEN 19 & UP AND PROFESSIONAL			
1	Mills Pete	20.30	RT
2	Bursell Don	18.61	Ind
3	Fuchs Kenneth	16.10	LI
4	Getty Paul	7.80	KW
5	Messamer Nick	7.30	CH

OBSTACLE COURSE			
1	Edwards Amy	36.68	CH
2	Schneider Sally	40.38	AW
3	Ojala Claire	60.01	AW
4	Walerius Julie	60.12	SF
5	Rodwell Ebony	60.45	WF

## BOYS 8 & UNDER

1	Irish Sean	38.80	SF
2	Green Jevonn	43.05	UN
3	Courtad Gabe	1:03.87	SF

GIRLS 9 & 10			
1	Irish Kimberly	35.49	SF
2	Houck Paula	38.91	SF
3	Cionca Betsy	43.91	Ind
4	Courtad Brandi	56.36	SF

BOYS 9 & 10			
1	Gilligan Jay	30.68	SF
2	Snyder Matt	34.19	SF
3	Pajerski Scott	38.39	TC
4	Bernard Jimmy	45.88	TC
5	Van Bergen Dan	57.99	TC

GIRLS 11 & 12			
1	Schlusser Amy	32.66	WOW
2	Vogelsohn Rachael	33.02	SF
3	Moran Jennifer	34.23	SF
4	Irish Melissa	34.58	SF
5	Edwards Katie	44.21	CH

BOYS 11 & 12			
1	Granberry Dale	27.51	MB
2	Stonerock Aaron	29.02	SF
3	Schneider Tony	31.07	AW
4	Ward Kit	35.70	TC
5	Houck Jeff	38.59	SF

GIRLS 13 & 14			
1	Edwards Becky	29.10	CH
2	Lentz Anne	29.26	SF
3	Kies Keri	30.02	SF
4	McKay Lanetta	30.36	UN
5	Walerius Holly	32.01	SF
6	Salverda Tracy	32.01	TC

BOYS 13 & 14			
1	Bernard Brian	25.73	TC
2	Schlusser Brian	26.84	WOW
3	Donaldson David	27.85	Ind
4	Snyder Brian	32.41	SF
5	Thurman John	33.23	TC

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2	Ruud Kim	30.09	TC
3	Daugherty Pamela	31.87	MB
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5	Fulcher Shelly	34.71	WOW

BOYS 15 & 16			
1	Kelm Dustin	25.07	TC
2	Bowers Kevin	25.89	WOW
3	Bernard Brett	26.02	TC
4	Lentz Greg	26.66	SF
5	Gallagher Matt	27.03	TC

GIRLS 17 & 18			
1	Hoglund Gaye	27.35	MB
2	Young Elaine	31.63	SF
3	Tyson Tina	32.02	PW
4	Wachtmann Kim	32.87	WOW

BOYS 17 & 18			
1	Granberry Glen	24.84	MB
2	Rupprecht Lee	26.46	TC
3	Kert Kevin	28.23	RT
4	Hess Brian	28.59	Ind
5	Sutherland David	32.61	RT

WOMEN 19 & UP AND PROFESSIONAL			
1	Heminger Teresa	24.98	SC
2	Bahorich Carol	25.04	RT
3	Britchford Nancy	26.76	RT
4	Schleck Connie	28.66	TC
5	Bahorich Wendy	29.14	RT
11	Messamer Karen	2:25.41	CH

MEN 19 & UP AND PROFESSIONAL			
1	Mills Pete	23.67	RT
2	Bursell Don	25.62	Ind
3	Britchford David	26.60	RT
4	Fuchs Kenneth	26.88	LI
5	Worel Ben	27.47	TC

STANDARD - INDIVIDUAL TRICK RIDING			
GIRLS 8 & UNDER			
1	Edwards Amy		CH
BOYS 8 & UNDER			
1	Green Jevonn		UN
2	Green John		UN
3			

# 1987 National Unicycle Meet Results - Cont'd

## RACE TROPHY

			PTS	
0-8 girls	Edwards	Amy	30	CH
0-8 boys	Green	Jevonn	20	UN
9-10 girls	Houck	Paula	16	SF
9-10 girls	Courtad	Brandi	16	SF
9-10 boys	Gilligan	Jay	34	SF
11-12 girls	Ojala	Rachel	27	AW
11-12 boys	Granberry	Dale	38	MB
13-14 girls	McKay	Lanetta	30	UN
13-14 boys	Bernard	Brian	35	TC
15-16 girls	Busch	Monica	30	Ind
15-16 boys	Kelm	Dustin	35	TC
17-18 girls	Young	Elaine	29	SF
17-18 boys	Abrahams	Yuri	27	SC
19+ women	Bahorich	Carol	27	RT
19+ men	Mills	Pete	27	RT
19+ men	Abrahams	Sam	27	SC

## INDIVIDUAL SHOW TROPHY

			PTS	
0-8 girls	Schneider	Sally	10	AW
0-8 boys	Courtad	Gabe	9	SF
9-10 girls	Courtad	Brandi	10	SF
9-10 boys	Gilligan	Jay	10	SF
11-12 girls	Schlusser	Amy	7	WOW
11-12 boys	Granberry	Dale	10	MB
13-14 girls	Salverda	Tracy	10	TC
13-14 boys	Bernard	Brian	10	TC
15-16 girls	Ruud	Kim	7	TC
15-16 boys	Bernard	Brett	10	TC
17-18 girls	Young	Elaine	9	SF
17-18 boys	Granberry	Glen	10	MB
19+ women	Bahorich	Carol	9	RT
19+ men	Reynolds	Orland	5	Ind
19+ men	Abrahams	Sam	5	SC

## CLUB PARADE

1	Smiling Faces	24.6
2	Twin City	24.5
3	Redford	23.7
4	Wood One Wheelers	22.4
5	Mobile	19.9
6	Unilights	13.6
7	Chariton	10.0

## CLUB SHOW

1	Redford	23.9
2	Twin City	22.9
3	Wood One Wheelers	21.7
4	Mobile	21.0
5	Unilights	14.3

## GROUP SHOW

1	Semicycles	16.7
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## OVERALL CLUB STANDINGS

CLUB	RACE PTS	SHOW PTS	CLUB PTS	TOTAL PTS
SF	340	102	50	492
TC	289	85	80	454
RT	136	39	80	255
WOW	100	43	50	193
UN	128	28	10	166
MB	116	25	20	161
AW	74	23	0	97
CH	77	19	0	96
SC	80	17	0	97
PW	52	12	0	64
LI	21	3	0	24
WF	1	6	0	7
KW	2	1	0	3

## COUPLES TRICK RIDING

8 & UNDER					
1	Ojala	Claire	Schneider	Sally	AW AW
2	Edwards	Amy	Waterius	Julie	CH SF
9 & 10					
1	Courtad	Gabe	Courtad	Brandi	SF SF
11 & 12					
1	Gilligan	Jay	Stonerock	Aaron	SF SF
2	Houck	Jeff	Houck	Paula	SF SF
13 & 14					
1	Salverda	Tracy	Bernard	Brian	TC TC
2	Waterius	Holly	Moran	Jennifer	SF SF
3	Lentz	Anne	Kies	Keri	SF SF
4	Schlusser	Brian	Schlusser	Amy	WOW WOW
15 & 16					
1	Bernard	Brett	Gallagher	Matt	TC TC
2	Bitikofer	Joya	Sans	Brady	WOW WOW
3	Ruud	Kim	Shultz	Brian	TC TC
4	Fulcher	Shelly	Bitikofer	Ryan	WOW WOW
17 & 18					
1	Granberry	Glen	Granberry	Dale	MB MB
2	Young	Elaine	Smith	Roger	SF SF
3	Wachtmann	Kim	Bowers	Kevin	WOW WOW
4	Busch	Monica	Abrahams	Yuri	Ind SC
19 & UP AND PROFESSIONAL					
1	Bahorich	Carol	Bahorich	Wendy	RT RT
2	Brichford	Nancy	Brichford	David	RT RT
3	Cotter	Andy	Schleck	Connie	TC TC
4	Sutherland	Janet	Sutherland	Susan	RT RT
5	Mills	Pete	McGee	Jesse	RT RT

## CLUBS REPRESENTED

AW	Academy Wheels	Oak Park IL
CH	Chariton	Iowa
KW	Kingwood	West Virginia
LI	Long Island	New York
MB	Mobile	Alabama
PW	Peru Wizards	Indiana
RT	Redford Township	Michigan
SC	Semicycle	Holland
SF	Smiling Faces	Findley Ohio
TC	Twin City	Minnesota
UN	Unilights	Detroit MI
WF	Wheels of Fortune	Washington D.C.
WOW	Wood One Wheelers	Wood Co. Ohio
WW	Wonderwheels	Miles Rogers Family
Ind	Independents	



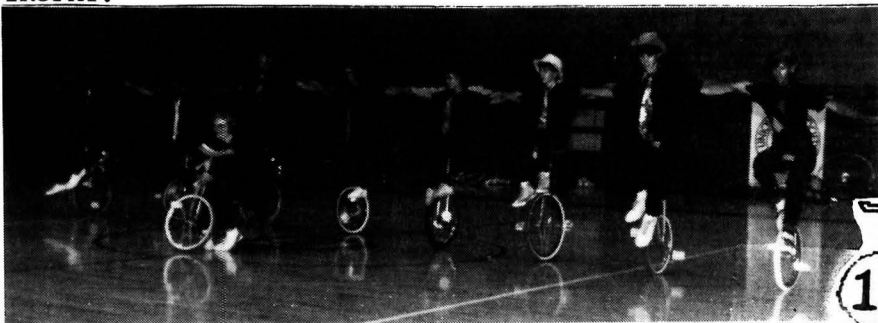
LEN SALVERDA and CHARLOTTE FOX ROGERS as they present the BILL JENACK MEMORIAL TROPHY.



Dr. ORLAND REYNOLDS, new Director of the U.S.A., Inc.



The host Club, TWIN CITIES UNICYCLE CLUB, put together an entertaining presentation for the Club Competition. Using a "cast of thousands" with varying riding abilities, the Club used all riders, no matter what their skill level in a series of vignettes.



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

(REGARDING A SLOW BACKWARDS RACE AT THE NUM)



For a number of years now the Society officers have discussed the potential danger of the fast backwards race. Each year we see riders falling in their neighbor's lane - to be run over as an unseen barricade by this neighbor.

Even if a rider falls because of his own error, the momentum causes him to fall backwards, very often hitting the back of his head.

Over the years we have seen a few riders using safety equipment for this race especially. In 1986 GEORGE PRINGLE (Florida) required that his daughter wear a helmet for the backwards race only.

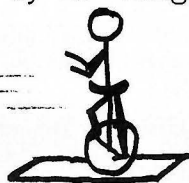
For several reasons the fast backwards race is not included in the racing format for the International Unicycling Federation competition. Most of the riders polled by the 1988 NUM Director, TOM BRICHFORD, felt that riding backwards was an important riding skill and should be included in the racing events in some way.

It has been suggested that for the 1988 NUM the backwards race be taken out of the "speed" category and included instead in the "control" area of the slow forward race. In other words: the backwards race would be run on a board with a steady backward motion of the wheel. Falling off the board, riding forward, or "zigging" excessively would disqualify the competitor. As with the slow race, the rider would compete - not with other riders - but with the clock.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? The 1988 National Unicycle Meet Committee is looking for criteria on which a slow backwards race could be run. It needs a board width that would be both possible and challenging. It also needs suggestions for the length of the race and judging guidelines.

You can easily write your suggestions for this (or anything else, for that matter) on the form included elsewhere in this issue.

(The "slow race" is currently run on a board that is 5½" wide by 20' long.)



WANTED: ADS FOR THE 1988 NUM PROGRAM BOOK

The REDFORD TOWNSHIP UNICYCLE CLUB, INC., hosts of the 1988 National Unicycle Meet, will be printing a program book that will be available to all attending this event.

Clubs, individuals, and businesses are invited to help support the NUM and personally benefit by placing an ad in this program book. The cost of these ads will be:

	<u>CLUB ADS</u>	<u>BUSINESS ADS</u>
1/4 page	\$ 8.00	\$15.00
1/3 page	\$10.00	\$20.00
1/2 page	\$15.00	\$30.00
1 full page	\$25.00	\$50.00
2 full pages	\$40.00	\$75.00

[one full page measures 5½" x 8½"]

Prepaid, camera-ready ads must be received BEFORE JUNE 1, 1988!

Mail your ad to:

1988 NUM Program Book  
Unicycling Society of America, Inc.  
P.O. Box 40534  
Redford, MI 48240

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U.S.A. WELCOMES THE TRI-JESTERS

Among the new members listed on the "Welcome New Members" page in this issue is the Walker family (Kyla, age 9; Dana, age 11; and Alexis, age 13). They make up a performing group called the "Tri-Jesters," billed as "Vaudeville-type Comedy Entertainment performed to Ragtime and Circus Music."

The Tri-Jesters come from no ordinary family. Their entertaining skills grew when they searched for a physical activity that could be adapted to the deck of a sailboat as the family made preparations for an around-the-world cruise. The cruise did not materialize, but the circus skills the children learned to provide a physical outlet have grown! The youngsters have provided entertainment for audiences throughout South Florida. They are adept in street performing as well as stage shows.

Further information about the group (including a videotape) may be had by contacting:

Joan Walker  
226 S.E. 3rd St.  
Dania, FL 33004

(305) 923-2941



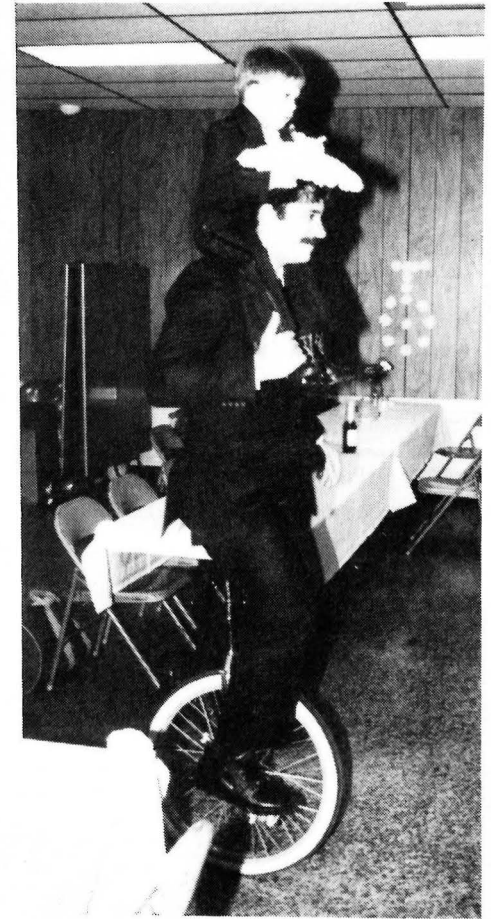
### **Wedding on Wheels**

*Mr. and Mrs. Al Hemminger  
request the honour of your  
presence  
at the marriage of their  
daughter  
Teresa Hemminger  
to  
Sem Abrahams  
on Saturday, February 6, 1988  
at 4:30 in the afternoon  
D.A.V. Hall  
25544 Five Mile Road  
Redford, Michigan*

**Reception immediately following  
ceremony**

To all outward appearances the wedding, scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on February 6 in Redford, Michigan, was a typical marriage celebration. Guests arrived, greeted friends, commented on how lovely the hall looked, found seats, and awaited the event excitedly. The bride, TERESA HEMMINGER, had chosen a soft coral for the color theme and had designed and sewed both her own gown and that of her Maid of Honor, CAROL BAHORICH.

The organist, the Bride's sister GAY BATES, began playing and a hush settled over the room. It was then that you knew that this was no ordinary wedding. Leading the procession were the Maid of Honor and the Best Man, FRANK BIRDSALL, riding unicycles down the center



And then all heads turned to the archway as the Bride and her father, AL HEMMINGER, began their ride down the aisle to join the rest of the party. It was in front of this congregation of friends and relatives that Al, still riding his unicycle, gave the hand of his lovely daughter to the man who was to become her husband.

The music ended and Mike Lane's deep baritone voice began the ceremony. He drew from such sources as Kahil Gibran as he created a very meaningful service for the Bride, the Groom and all those in attendance.

(pictures by David Brichford)



The unicycles on the walls of the hall, created from paper carnations, added much to the decor. (See the picture of the Ring Bearer on the shoulders of the Best Man on the preceding page.)

And when it was time for the Groom to remove the garter from his Bride's leg; that, too, was accomplished while both were seated on their unicycles.



This wedding had every happy element of any other wedding - only everything possible was done on a unicycle or with a unicycle motif. Guests signed the guest book with a pen from a unicycle-adorned pen holder. The "Precious Moments" figurine of the couple riding a unicycle adorned the wedding cake. The first dance was on unicycles, of course. The young couple cut their wedding cake while rocking on their unicycles. And they each fed the other the first piece of cake - while riding unicycles. Even KEN KRAKAT, who made the vidiotape of the service, did so while rocking on his unicycle.

While the event received much attention from the media, it was more than a media incident. It was through unicycling that Teresa and Sem met. They will make their living by riding and building unicycles. It was, therefore, a very meaningful way for two of the most adept riders in the world to begin their life together.

Since Sem's family, all residents of The Netherlands, were unable to attend the wedding in the States, Sem and Teresa were honored by a second service in Eurpoe on February 29. They then left immediately for Japan with other performers from Europe to perform for a two-month period in a theme park in that country.

Sem and Teresa will be returning to Michigan in time to actively participate in the 1988 National Unicycle Meet. Society members will be able to greet them there and personally wish them much happiness!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

GARY GIROUARD (Silent Clown Productions)	218 School St.	Pawtucket, RI 02860
CRAIG D. JOHNSON	1000 Lincoln St. #105	Anoka, MN 55303
MICHAEL SCHUTTE	P.O. Box 1405	Roseville, CA 95661
JOHN GRIFFIN	90 Assumpta Park	Newcastle West Co. Limerich IRELAND
MARK LaYACONA	Box 567-A Hanley	RI. Lucas, OH 44843
EUNICE KELLER	Caltech 1-58	Pasadena, CA 91126
RAJ MANKAD	5724 Vendome Dr.	Mobile, AL 36609
JIM BACCUS SCOTY, MONTY & MELANIE	414 Basswood	Spring, TX 77386
VINCENT RICHARD	2445 DuHavre	Longueuil, Quebec CANADA J4L 2G1
MARK JUDSON IVY	2519 Lloyds Lane	Mobile, AL 36693
LORI WIKOFF O.D. & LANCE	401 E. Rogers Dr.	Stillwater, OK 74075
TRI-JESTERS BILL & JOAN WALKER and their children: ALEXIS ("BUTTONS N. BOWS") DANA ("MAX MILLION") KYLA ("TRINKET")	226 S.E. 3rd St.	Dania, FL 33004
TIM REARDON	825 S. Oleander Ave.	Bakersfield, CA 93304

Gary is a professional who is interested in artistic riding and in building unusual uni's - specifically a 20' uni. Craig was introduced to U.S.A. by Kieth McConnell. Michael learned about USA through a bicycle magazine. He cannot ride a unicycle yet John read about USA in a bicycle book and is our only member from Ireland! U.S.A. welcomes another member from the state that has the most Society members. This family learned about U.S.A. from the Schwinn book.

Raj learned about the Society from his teacher (our Pres.) Seth Granberry.

This family is returning to active status due to Karen Messamer's letter. Vincent wrote that he had assumed both USA and IUF were dead. He was glad to hear from Treas. Messamer and ordered all his missing back issues.

Mark is another one of President Seth Granberry's riders.

The Wikoffs joined the Society because of a complimentary Newsletter. This "entertaining" family learned about U.S.A. through George Pringle and U.S.A. Director, Tom Miller.

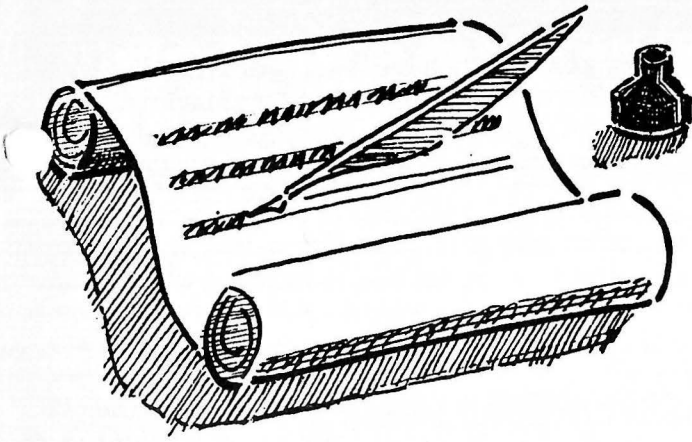
Tim teaches a unicycle class through a local recreation department and requested membership application forms for the members of his class.

The Society welcomes back many former members who have renewed because of Treasurer, Karen Messamer's mailing to each. Among these is:

PAUL R. GRIMSHAW	21238 Cass Rd.	Farmington Hills, MI 48124
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Paul learned about U.S.A. through its first Pres., Bernard Crandall. He is an active member of the WHEELMEN, an organization of antique bike enthusiasts.

A complete roster - with names and addresses of all of the Society's current members (unless omission is requested) - will be mailed to each member in the near future.



FROM OUR READERS:

CHRIS MACH, Fehnerweg 5, 2380 Percholdscorf, AUSTRIA, sent the following letter:

One night, I don't know why, I dreamt that I had a unicycle; and when I woke up, I just had the feeling that there's nothing in the whole world that I'd love more than a UNICYCLE! It's funny, because I'd never ever thought of unicycles in my whole life before! My birthday is only three months away and I asked my Mom whether she could get me one; but she said, "That's out of the question." So I decided to build one myself out of bits and pieces from bikes and I think it'll work! Then I remembered once reading an article about unicycles in WORLD (National Geographic) and there it said I should write to you for more information. I really would be very happy if you could send me something about them (unicycles) - if possible before my birthday (March 3).

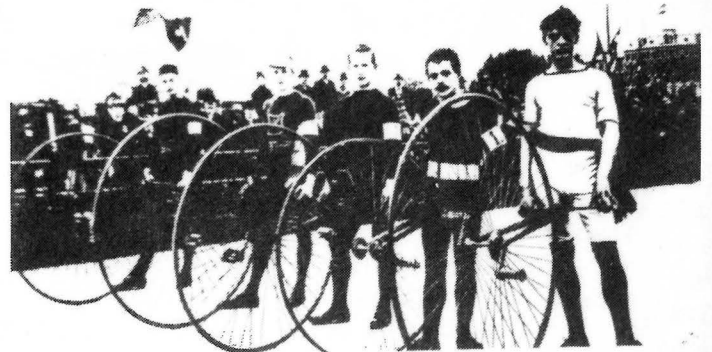
And from Panoramastrasse 28  
D 7243 Voehringen/Wuertt  
WEST GERMANY

RALPH and ROLF BECKER wrote that they (a father-and-son team) are planning to cycle from coast to coast across the U.S. beginning the middle of April. Their itinerary will take them from Los Angeles to Boston through Las Vegas, Salt Lake City, Gary, Detroit, Niagara Falls, and Rochester. They plan to bring sleeping bags and cook out as much as possible. The letter will be answered by our U.S.A. Secretary JAN LAYNE, but any member wishing to write to the Beckers is encouraged to do so. Please send your letter Air Mail, since surface mail would not reach them before they leave for the United States.

Several of our members have written that they have received OOW too late to participate in events listed in the issue. Your Editor regrets that that does happen sometimes. She will learn of an event as one issue of OOW is being printed; will include it in the "CALENDAR" in the next issue as a courtesy to the sender; and will hope that members who learn about it too late to participate will benefit in knowing that such an opportunity exists. She tries to include the names and addresses of people to contact so that members can write for information on a similar event planned for the next year.

However, she was NOT guilty (as one member indicated) in printing the unicycle wedding invitation too late for our member to attend. Every member was invited to attend "via pictures in the next issue of ON ONE WHEEL." And here they are! ----->

GERHARD DELKESKAMP (see p. 12, OOW XIV no. 2) sent this picture of five unicyclists lining up for a race in Germany in 1886!



Start zum Einradrennen 1886 in Greiz i. V.  
Zweiter von links: Meisterfahrer G. Marschner aus  
Dresden, dritter von links: Heine, Hannover

A forerunner of the "Challenge the Guinness" held in Japan in 1987? If you want to ask Gerhard more about this picture, you may write to him at Dorotheastr 4, 2850 Bremerhaven, WEST GERMANY.

BRIAN DeGORMO (Brino the Clown) recently wrote for information about the Society. In his note he very excitedly told about receiving a 6' unicycle recently from his girlfriend. So? you say. Well, Brian was in a very serious car accident six years ago and lay in a coma for a week. When he slowly returned to consciousness, he could move nothing but his eyes. Through great effort he is now again riding a giraffe unicycle! Best wishes to a very determined, inspiring young man!

MISSING ISSUES

Many of our members maintain complete files of their issues of ON ONE WHEEL. They are upset by a missing issue.

The annual changeover of officers and the change in renewal methods have lead to some problems. The erratic publication dates of the newsletter have created additional problems. For those of you who are attempting to maintain a complete file, the following information will be of help.

<u>Vol. #</u>	<u>Yr. of Pub.</u>	<u>No. of Issues</u>
1	1974	4
2	1975	4
3	1976	4
4	1977	4
5	1978	4
6	1979	4
7	1980	4
8	1981	4 + NUM result issue
9	1982	3
10	1983	4
11	1984/5*	3 + USA - Bulletin
12	1985/6*	4
13	1986/7*	4
14	1987/8*	3 to date

\*A change in the by-laws created a common membership period: from October 1 to October 1 of the following year. Members now receive all issues of a given volume for their year's membership.

In the past a member was not "up for renewal" until he had received four issues of the newsletter. Since it sometimes took eighteen months to get out four "quarterly" editions, bookkeeping for the Society's Treasurer became a horrendous task. It has taken several years of hard work on the part of four treasurers to work out a renewal date for each member that incorporated at least four issues for each \$6.00 and ended on October 1 of a given year.

If you have a card that indicates membership in the Society to October, 1988 and have not received Volume 14, nos. 1 or 2, please write to:

U.S.A., Inc. Treasurer  
P.O. Box 40534  
Redford, MI 48240

If you are missing some issues because of a lapse in your membership, all back issues are

available. Some are no longer "original quality," since the original script is no longer available and copies had to be made from the most readable source available.

Copies of the 1981 NUM results or the 1985 Bulletin will be included free of charge with the request and any back issue order. The cost of back newsletters is \$2.00 each or \$6.00 for 4. Mail your order to Treasurer, U.S.A., Inc. in care of the post office box.  
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ADVANCED LEVEL PATCHES SOON AVAILABLE

Adopting Levels V - X created the additional task of ordering an embroidered patch and printed card for each level. This has been done and will soon be available to the membership. Increased costs make it necessary to charge \$1.50 for EACH level.

These Achievement Level patches are not available (except in unusual circumstances) to individuals. Clubs should appoint a qualified person to test all club members in accordance with the rules for testing found on page 6 of Volume XIV, No. 2. Only this person may order patches for riders who qualify.

For individuals who are not members of a club, you may order level patches IF you are tested by someone familiar with the testing requirements. A few years ago a young man, the only unicyclist in his small town, asked the principal at his high school to watch him complete the requirements for each level. The principal then wrote a note indicating that he had done so.

Monitoring the distribution of these level patches is the only way the Society can be assured that each patch is awarded only for the highest level of achievement. There will be many opportunities throughout the 1988 National Unicycle Meet for riders to be tested. And the Achievement Level patches will be available there for those who qualify.

Please note that the testing rules state:

In order to pass an exam, a rider must perform all but three skills in the level at the first attempt. The (remaining) three skills must be successfully performed at the second attempt.

Your Editor would appreciate the names of all riders who qualify for Level 5 and above.



1988 NUM - RULES

EVENTS:

(ed. note: In 1980 the Society Officers formulated rules governing the annual National Unicycle Meets. These were printed in the Newsletter in the Fall of that year. Since that time minor changes have been made and the rules have been available to anyone requesting them; however, they have not appeared in the publication with revisions. Printed here are the rules pertinent to the participants.)

- 1600 meters (ages 11 and up)
- 800 meters (ages 10 and under)
- 200 meters (all ages)
- 100 meters " "
- 50 meters - one foot
- backward (see article)
- 25 meters - walk the wheel (ages 11+)
- 10 meters - walk the wheel (ages 10-)
- slow race - on board prox. 5½" x 20'
- obstacle course - see diagram
- individual artistic riding
  - standard class ) one only
  - open class )
- couples artistic riding
- club/group parade
- club/group artistic riding

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTICIPATING CLUBS:

- 1) Register the Club with the U.S.A., Inc. at least two months prior to the NUM. (This information should be sent to U.S.A., Inc. President, PO Box 40534, Redford, MI 48240.)
- 2) Send to the hosting club the names and addresses of two people who will serve as judges and two who will serve as timers. The judges will receive complete judging criteria at least two weeks prior to the NUM. Judges and timers will meet with the Head Official (or Officials) prior to the start of the Meet for a complete interpretation of all rules.
- 3) PROVIDE ADULT SUPERVISION FOR CLUB MEMBERS.

RULES FOR RACING: All races will be run according to standard high school track rules with the following exceptions:

1. All races will be started with the rider mounted, holding to support.
2. Any rider fouling shall be disqualified for that race.
3. Any rider intentionally fouling shall be disqualified and immediately barred from further competition by action of a committee consisting of: Head Meet Official, President of U.S.A., Inc. (V.P. in absence), any one U.S.A. Director.
4. Riders must ride across the finish line. Timers stop their watches when the wheel crosses the finish line.
5. If a rider falls or dismounts, he is disqualified except in the 800 and 1600 meter races, where the rider shall immediately remount without running.
6. In the on-foot races riders will be given 5 meters to be on one foot.
7. The slow race will be run on a board with a continuous forward motion and no stops. Falling off the board disqualifies rider.
8. All riders must stay in their lanes. However, if a rider gets out of the lane and immediately returns without interfering with other riders, he/she will not be disqualified. (Standard track rules apply in the 800 and 1600m races with cut-in permitted only when there is at least one wheel's distance between racers.)
9. Only standard (see definition) unicycles may be raced.
10. Ages 10 and under must race with maximum 20" wheel. A rider younger than 11, who can ride only a 24", may compete in 11-12.
11. Proper apparel MUST be worn for safety: shoes for ALL events with gloves, elbow

RESPONSIBILITIES OF INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPANTS:

- 1) Each participant MUST be a member of the Unicycling Society of America, Inc.
- 2) Each must be completely registered before participating in any event.
- 3) Each must be responsible for being in the proper place at the proper time (with all necessary equipment) for each event in which he/she wishes to participate.

AGE BRACKETS FOR ALL EVENTS

- 0 - 8
- 9 - 10
- 11 - 12
- 13 - 14
- 15 - 16
- 17 - 18
- 19+ & professional\*\*

- \*Couples Artistic Riding age category is determined by age of OLDER rider
- \*The 1600 meter over 30 race is available to those ONLY riding this event
- \*\*Professionals may race with their age group but must compete in 19+ in Artistic Riding competition.

## 1988 NUM RULES - cont'd

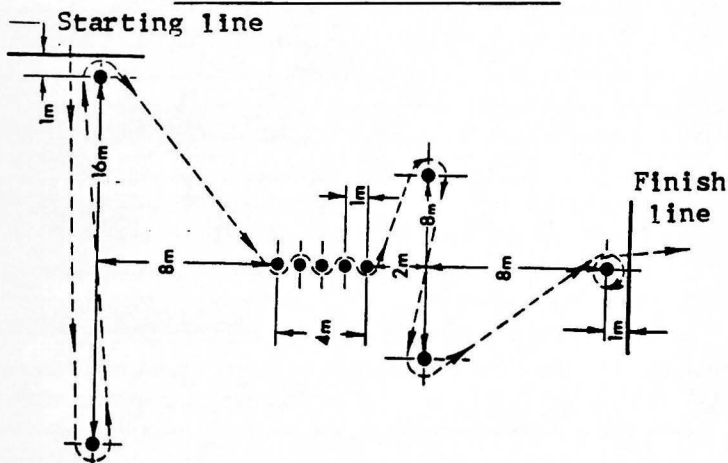
pads, knee pads, and helmets STRONGLY RECOMMENDED for all races.

12. Age group will be determined by the age of the rider on the FIRST day of NUM.
13. When times are contested, the Official watching the position of the riders will be the final authority.

### RULES FOR THE OBSTACLE COURSE:

1. Wheel size is the same as for races:  
10 and under - 20", 11+ - 24"
2. Riders will begin from a starting post with a verbal start.
3. The Timer begins timing when the rider crosses the starting line and stops when the rider crosses the finish line. Both lines are one meter from the first and last pylon. (see diagram below)
4. Each rider will be allowed two attempts. The best time is official.
5. A rider is disqualified in either attempt if:
  - a) he/she knocks over a pylon
  - b) he/she falls or dismounts after crossing the starting line
  - c) he/she fails to follow the official course

### OFFICIAL OBSTACLE COURSE



\*\*The Obstacle Course, the Slow Race, and (possibly) the Backward Race must be run when riders are not competing in other events. The MORNING is recommended!

### RULES FOR PARADE COMPETITION:

1. Club/Group competition will be separate.
2. The order of competition for each will be determined by drawing. A representative from each will be present for the drawing.
3. Competition will be on unicycles ONLY.
4. There must be continuous forward motion simulating actual parade circumstances. If a Club/Group does not provide its own

If a Club/Group does not provide its own music, appropriate music will be provided.

5. All riders from each Club/Group must participate. The minimum number is 5. One entry per Club/Group; each rider may compete only once.
6. Maximum time for competition - 5 minutes.

### RULES FOR CLUB/GROUP ARTISTIC COMPETITION:

1. Club/Group competition will be separate.
2. Order by drawing (see "parade").
3. Competition will be on unicycles ONLY - (see definition) any kind; any number.
4. Any props may be used that will not be a potential hazard. Fire indoors will not be permitted.
5. All riders from each Club/Group must participate. The minimum number is 5. (same as #5 above)
6. Music is optional but recommended.
7. Costume is optional but recommended.
8. Maximum time for competition - 10 minutes.

### RULES FOR INDIVIDUAL ARTISTIC COMPETITION: (participants may compete in one class only)

#### Standard Class:

1. Competition on ONE standard unicycle only.
2. Order by drawing (see above).
3. No props, music, or costume may be used.
4. Time limit: 10 and under - 2 minutes  
11 and older - 3 minutes

#### OPEN CLASS:

1. Any UNICYCLES may be used. Participants will be disqualified if using anything other than a "unicycle" (see definition).
2. Order by drawing (see above).
3. Any props may be used that will not be a potential hazard. NO FIRE!
4. Music and costume are required.
5. Time limit: 10 and under - 2 minutes  
11 and older - 3 minutes
6. Music (cassette tape) must be cued and identified.

#### COUPLES ARTISTIC COMPETITION

(Any two riders may compete as a couple - ONCE ONLY)

1. Any UNICYCLES may be used. Riders will be disqualified if using other vehicles.
2. Order by drawing.
3. Any props may be used that will not be a hazard. NO FIRE.
4. Music and costumes are optional but recommended.
5. Time limit: 10 and under - 2 minutes  
11 and older - 3 minutes
6. Cassettes must be cued and identified.

#### AWARDS

1. All individual, couple, Club/Group - 1st - 5th place
2. Boy & Girl - each age group - top point winner

GENERAL RULES FOR ARTISTIC & PARADE

1. The leader or rider must nod to the judges to start the clock and music.
2. The rider(s) must indicate to the judges the end of the routine. (Not applicable in parade competition)
3. A 15-second warning whistle will be sounded before the end of the allotted time. Two whistles will mean the rider(s) MUST IMMEDIATELY DISMOUNT-finished or not.
4. There will be two sets of judges for artistic competition made up of representatives from ALL Clubs and Groups.
5. The judges for the Parade Competition will be scattered around the riding area.

DEFINITIONS

CLUB - meets the following criteria

1. Has met as a unit at least 6 times in the 3 months immediately preceding the NUM. This may be for practice, parade, or perform.
2. Rides in the NUM with ALL registered riders
3. Promotes the aims of the U.S.A., Inc.

GROUP - does not meet all of the above criteria.

A group may consist of a number of independents, members of different Clubs not competing, retired members of Clubs, etc.

PROFESSIONAL - anyone who receives money from performing on a unicycle for personal gain. A "Professional" may race with his/her age group but must compete in 19+ for artistic.

PROP - anything other than a unicycle used in a competitive artistic riding act. A hat may become a "Prop" if it is removed from the head and thrown, picked up from the floor, etc. "Props" may be used in every competitive category except the "Standard Class" individual artistic riding class.

STANDARD UNICYCLE - a unicycle with no added features, i.e. handle welded to seat, etc. For racing, a "Standard Unicycle" may have cranks no smaller than 5" for either 20" or 24" wheel. Measurement is from center of axle hole to center of pedal hole. Only a "Standard Unicycle" may be used in "Standard Class."

UNICYCLE - a vehicle designed to be ridden with only one wheel on the floor. A "Unicycle" may take a number of different forms and may contain more than 1 wheel if the wheels are in vertical alignment. Any artistic rider(s) using an artistic bicycle, penny-farthing, etc. in individual, couples, or Club/Group will disqualify the entry.

\*\*While these rules are somewhat condensed, they include everything of interest to competitors. Additional rules are available for the hosting Club or individuals.

The first festival for jugglers and unicyclists put on by the N.Y. Parks and Rec. Department under the auspices of the IJA and IUF will be held Saturday, May 21 (rain date, May 22). The event will contain workshops, performances, Guinness challenges and competitions for all. Anyone wishing further information should contact:

Christopher Wangro, Dep. Dir/Sp. Ev.  
City of N.Y. Parks & Rec. Office  
The Arsenal in Central Park  
New York, N.Y. 10021  
ph. (212) 360-8165

JOHN FOSS, who contacted OOW concerning this event, added this note: The location will be the bandshell area in the park - which is where the First Unicycle Invitational took place in 1971.

Anyone attending this festival is encouraged to write a brief article about it for OOW.

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MISCELLANEOUS ABOUT THIS AND THAT

Your Secretary, JAN LAYNE, and Treasurer, KAREN MESSAMER, have been sharing unicycle memorabilia (like the Pink Panther coloring book and the unicycling bear Valentine). AL HEMMINGER (Sec-Treas of IUF) and TOM MILLER (Director of U.S.A.) have been doing this for quite a while, too. Jan has suggested that people who have duplicates of unicycle items might like to bring them to the 1988 NUM and sell or trade them to other collectors there.

Al has graciously volunteered to offer a "Media Room" at the 1988 NUM. He will have video tapes people may view at their leisure, and there will be other unicycling items on display. This would be an excellent place for swapping and selling unicycle knick-knacks. Al would also like to encourage anyone to bring additional items of interest to unicyclists for this room.

Concerning optional races at the NUM: Yes, there will be a race for adults who have learned to ride within the year preceding the NUM. So if you were unable to enter last year's race, the opportunity presents itself again. However, because cost of renting the field house Friday evening is excessive, there will be no ultimate wheel race and relays will be held on Saturday, time permitting.

# **CALENDAR:**

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CENTRAL PARK FESTIVAL OF JUGGLING AND UNICYCLE ARTS \* May 21 (raindate May 22)  
see article on page 19

JUGGLERS' SPRING FLING WEEKEND \* May 20, 21, & 22 \* Lake Forest College,  
Lake Forest Illinois. For additional information: Mike Vondruska,  
The Illinois Juggling Institute, Inc., 143 North Pershing, Bensenville, IL  
60106 - phone: (312) 766-1437

REGIONAL UNICYCLE MEET \* June 4 \* CANCELED!!!

FIRST ANNUAL SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL UNICYCLE MEET \* June 11 \*  
Davidson High School, Mobile, Alabama. Registration: 8:30  
Races: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 - Workshops 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. at Phillips Middle  
School - Artistic Riding 6:00 - 9:00 at Phillips. Registration fee \$5.00.  
Contact: MOBILE UNICYCLE CLUB, Seth Granberry, Jr. - Director,  
3204 Desire Street, Mobile, Alabama 36606 - phone: (205) 476-8635

LAUGH-MAKERS VARIETY ARTS CONFERENCE '88 \* June 18 - 24 \* Wells College,  
Aurora, NY. For more info: Bob & Cathy Gibbons, Laugh-Makers Conf. '88,  
P.O. Box 160, Syracuse, NY 13215 - phone (315) 492-4523

14th INTERNATIONAL SUMMER MIME WORKSPACE \* July 4 - 22 \* Le Centre Du Silence,  
P.O. Box 1015, Boulder, CO 80306-1015

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL JUGGLERS ASSOCIATION, INC. \* July 12-17 \*  
University of Denver, Denver, CO. IJA membership information:  
Rich Chamberlin, Box 29, Kenmore, New York 14217

NATIONAL UNICYCLE MEET \* July 29 - 31 \* Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti,  
Michigan. Contact: Tom Brichford, 24460 Lyndon, Redford, MI 48239  
phone: (313) 533-4677 - registration form included with this issue -

UNICON IV \* August 12 - 17 \* Aguadilla, Puerto Rico. Contact: Alberto Ruiz,  
P.O. Box 6068, Santurce, Puerto Rico 00914 - phone: (809) 790-1929 (eve.)  
Fax no. (809) 728-1707. Alberto has spent much time to maximum the  
enjoyment for this longer-than-normal event (In addition to the normal  
competitive events, there will also be basketball and possibly hockey;  
a level distance gliding race and downhill speed gliding race; a distance  
coasting race; a mini-marathon; etc.) and to minimize the cost (He has  
arranged for group air fare and free room and board.). For membership info.  
International Unicycling Fed., Al Hemminger, 16152 Kinloch, Redford, MI 48240

12th ANNUAL MINI-MEET \* September 17 (raindate Sept. 18) \* Madonna College,  
Livonia, Michigan. Sponsored by the REDFORD TOWNSHIP UNICYCLE CLUB, Inc.  
Maps and additional info. will be available at the 1988 NUM.

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FIRST ANNUAL CHARITON UNICYCLE MINI-MEET REUNION \* May 21 \*  
Reynolds Field, Chariton, Iowa (RAIN LOCATION: Chariton Armory), 9:00-2:00.  
Contact: Karen Messamer, 705 Auburn, Chariton, Iowa 50049. ph. 774-2296

DEADLINE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NEXT ISSUE: MAY 15