

The editors of the Brazilian have two important announcements to make. Last Friday at 5:00 an important mailing was sent out of our offices. This mailing was not received by the recipients until Monday at mail time. This mailing was a questionnaire with questions taken entirely from the Student Life Questionnaire. The questions were taken, word for word, from it. The recipients: 143 Taylor Faculty and Administrators. They were told exactly what it was and exactly where it was going to be published. They were asked to return it by Thursday May 7. Next week we will publish the results of this poll along with any comments that they may have written. No names were included and no names will be disclosed as to whom, exactly, it was sent to. We look forward to printing it, and I hope that you will look forward to reading it.

The second announcement concerning next week. It is the last issue that will be printed this year or any other years that will follow. As a result of this there will be my parting letter to Taylor, as I am a Senior, with the identity of the Brazilian Editor signed on your own autographed edition of the Last Brazilian. Until then...

### A Fishy Tale

Now it came to pass that a group existed who called themselves fishermen. And lo, there were many fish in the waters all around. And the fish were hungry.

Week after week, month after month and year after year those who called themselves fishermen met to talk about their call to fish, the abundance of fish and how the might go about fishing. Year after year, they carefully defined what fishing means, defended fishing as an occupation and declared that fishing is always to be a primary task of fishermen.

Continually they searched for new and better methods of fishing and for new and better definitions of fishing. They sponsored costly nationwide and world wide congresses to discuss fishing, promote fishing and hear about all the way of fishing such as the new fishing equipment, the fish calls and any new bait.

In addition to meeting regularly, they organized a board to sent out fishermen to other places where there were many fish. All the fishermen seemed to agree that what was needed was a board which could challenge fishermen to be faithful in fishing.

Large training centers were built whose original and primary purpose was to teach fishermen how to fish. Over the years, courses were offered on the needs of fish, the nature of fish, where to find fish and how to approach and feed fish. Those who taught had doctorates in fishology. But the teachers did not fish, the only taught fishing.

And these who were sent out to fish did exactly as those who sent them did. They formed groups and special meetings to define fishing, to defend fishing and to declare how important fishing was. They talked about the great need for fishing. They prayed much that many fish might be caught. They analyzed the fish and discussed what is necessary in order to catch fish. But one thing they did not do; THEY DID NOT FISH.

Now it is true that many of the fishermen sacrificed and put up with all kinds of difficulties. Some lived near the water and bore the smell of dead fish every day. They received the ridicule of some who made fun of their fishermen's clubs and the fact that they claimed to be fishermen, yet never fished.

Imagine how hurt some were when one day a person suggested that those who don't catch fish are not really fishermen. Is a person a fishermen if he never catches fish?

And he saith unto them, Follow me and I will make you fishers of men. **Matthew 4: 19**

### Past the Ragged Sky

Poisoned  
To rid ourselves of insects  
Radiated  
To test the killing force of defense  
Ozone layer?  
I'm sorry, I needed to keep my hair in place.  
Now we die of skin cancer.  
Look around.  
Five years, all will have AIDS virus.  
You, too.  
As the world degenerates  
Moral decay  
Where is hope?

"The times they are a-changin." -Bob Dylan-

### Sometimes I wonder...

I wonder where my life is heading  
Feeling change  
but not knowing what it's supposed to mean  
Attitudes from the past  
haunting me today  
There's nothing I can do  
but let it run its course  
It's causing pain  
that I cannot overcome  
How could I have gotten myself  
into the situations  
that are tearing me up inside  
I don't know  
What's difficult  
is knowing that there are reasons  
for everything that has gone on.  
Oh, how I wish I could escape,  
but those feelings are what got me  
Into trouble in the past.

"Nature has its perfections to show that it is the image of God, and its faults to show that it is only his image." -Blaise Pascal-

### A letter to the Brazilian

Dear Brazilian Editors,

I am requesting a subject for your next personality profile. The public virtually demands more knowledge of this person. It's a person who fascinates and mystifies many, especially those of the female persuasion. He's unique, he's cool, he's the ultimate "wild thing": John Bachman.

Where is he from? How did he become such a "wild thing?" Are his clothes really that cheap? Why has his hair remained the same for such a long period of time? Is he busy this Friday?

Sincerely,  
Ms. Anonymous

### A reply from the Brazilian

Dear Ms. Anonymous

Thank you for writing our next personality profile!

Sincerely  
The Brazilian

"Listen, three eyes, don't try to outwield me, I get stranger things than you free in my breakfast cereal." -Zaphod Beeblebrox-

### The Taylor Student in the Eyes of the Public

After having been to a couple colleges in my years and being raised near several colleges, I have noticed that there always seems to be mixed feelings towards the college students by the people living nearby. Now, working at a not-so-glamorous job in a not-so-glamorous facility in a nearby town, has been a blessing all year. Through it all, I've come across

many types of views of Taylor Students. Since I've always questioned how we come across to the working class on the area - I asked my friends outside of our little world at T.U. These are their responses:

parents forced them to go there  
goody-tushoes  
Mr. and Mrs. Christian  
very nice people  
guys are fruity  
many not Christians  
community should do more for Taylor  
big hypocrites  
girls put on a big front  
they still put out  
never help just like any other college kids  
kicked out of somewhere else  
too good  
all kinds  
never met one who wasn't helpful  
no normal guys  
nerds  
alcoholics  
naive  
sheltered  
is it boring?

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"There is no total revolution, there is only perpetual revolution, real life, like love, dazzling at every moment." -Paul Eluard-

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### Nuns in the Monastery

Thirteen smurfs  
Roasting duck  
Student Body President  
Broken hymnal holders  
A tan coat  
With a tiny pen inside  
Too many people  
Attention spans  
Understatement of the year  
The lighting was poor  
The children were sold  
Oh,

So  
Happy.

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"To tell you the truth, I am rather perplexed about the concept of 'art.' ...Something repulsive, which gives you a moral hangover, and hurts your ears or eyes, may well be art. Only 'kitsch' is not art--we're all agreed about that. Indeed, but what is 'kitsch?' If only I knew!" -M.C. Escher-

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### Another letter to the Brazilian

A CHRISTIAN TIGER: TOUGH MINDED, GENTLE-HEARTED

Yes, you did growl too loudly! Did you ever think about how hard it is to be tough and gentle at the same time? Have you ever ben (sic) taught to roar, snarl or growl in a gentle manner? Obviously not! Okay, so the Business World is not a paradise - what earthly world is? Ever heard of a mission field of "suits"? (sic) We're called to excellence right? Religion majors are so lovey-dovey that they just let things happen so they won't hurt anyone's feelings and if it's shoddy, at least it's "the Lord's work" and they have plenty of excuses like "It must be God's will otherwise he would supply enough money", (sic) or "the poor guy did his best". (sic) -gag! gag! That's the reason we're tough minded - "because the world of reality is as hard and fast as pierced noses, greasy hair, dirty ripped-up jeans, unfounded cynical perspectives and yes shoddy business". (sic) We strive to be aggressive in pursuing excellence. Yes, a tiger might "BITE YOUR HEAD OFF! ROAR!

SNARL! GROWL!!!", (sic) but that's not what we're talking about. We are talking about a CHRISTIAN TIGER. We're into harvesting those fields "white for the harvest" instead of meditating in fields gleaned a hundred times over. Maybe it takes tigers to enter into the world of tigers!!!! Have you ever heard of tough love? Spiritual growth and Mt 28: 19-20 doesn't come without a fight. So fight for growth like a tiger in whatever field you are in - BE TOUGH and BE GENTLE!!!

Hey, wanna buy a t-shirt?

### Another reply from the Brazilian

Well, you seem displeased with what we wrote in our previous issue. That and the uncovering of the lovely advertisement from the Trojan Horse seems to get you riled up. There's nothing wrong with letting the fur on the back of your neck stand up occasionally, but why do you go and throw in an abusive ad hominen (look it up) about a group of people that aren't even involved. This seems like a person getting mad at his neighbor and then going home and shooting the cat! Tsk, Tsk. There is no need for that sort of thing. Besides, for a person who is so wrapped up in excellence you have made far too many grammar errors in your letter. They were excellent errors, though.

I suppose we should also commend you for your display of "tough love." Undoubtedly, writing your letter hurt you much more than it hurt us. Quite commendable, really...and so gentle. Obviously, you've fully grasped what Prof. Gortner really meant by all this.

No, I still don't want to purchase one of your stupid T-shirts. Where did you ever get the idea that buying and wearing an article of cloth is going to enhance your Christian witness? Oh, by the way, were you at the Taylathon bike race? Do you wanna buy one of OUR T-shirts?

Sincerely Yours  
The Brazilian Editor

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"If you have trouble," Valentine declared, "I can give you a piece of advice: Turn on Dance music." -Aleksandr I. Solzhenitsyn-

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### It's O.K.

It's O.K. to break the Life Together Statement.  
It's O.K. to smoke cigarettes.  
It's O.K. to occasionally smoke hooch.  
It's O.K. to memorize lists and learn nothing.  
It's O.K. to engage in casual sex.  
It's O.K. to be bulimic.  
It's O.K. to pound a few brew-hahs.  
It's O.K. to cheat on tests.  
It's O.K. to short a line.  
It's O.K. to build The Wall.  
It's O.K. if the wall reads 'Popular Christian.'  
It's O.K. to hate someone who's sincere.  
It's O.K. to have the mentality and understanding of a clam.  
It's O.K. to have a rotating wardrobe.  
one at school and four back home.  
It's O.K. to purposely and maliciously slander with inflated gossip.  
It's all O.K.;  
As long as one averages two chapels a week;  
As long as one dresses vogue;  
As long as one doesn't get caught.

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There was an extra line for this which read as follows:  
And especially  
As long as one sits in the middle of the upper level at the D.C.  
But we didn't think that it would be in good taste to print that. The Brazilian

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"Are we to understand quite simply that truth is what the government ordains?" -Karl Marx-

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P.S. Congratulations Junior Class on your Taylathon Win!!!

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