

CSA News

The Creation Science Association for Mid-America

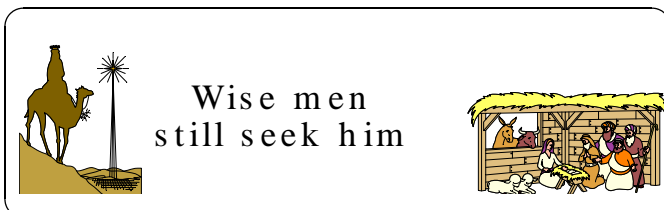
"It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in men" Psalm 118:8

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CSA 1992 In Review

With 1992 almost over, we can say the Lord has truly blessed our activities for the past year. Nearly every CSA activity has been "bigger and better" than it has ever been.

- **Monthly Meetings** have been really two meetings at once with typically over a hundred in the *Basic Session* and 25 to 60 in the *Advanced Session*.
- **Seminars and Lectures** have been more numerous and better attended than in any prior year. Several thousand people have heard all, or a substantial portion of a CSA seminar this year. Educational activities included standing-room-only workshops at the National Christian Convention, summer camps for about 1500 youth, Creation Safari's for about 400 people, **Real Scientists Just Say NO!** seminars in seven cities with total attendance of almost 2000, and individual lectures to several thousand people.
- **Creation Safaris** have been well attended with over 400 people attending at least one Safari and over 40 attending some of the overnight trips and astronomy outings (see safari report below).
- **CSA News** is now received by over 5000 people. Mail and telephone response indicates that it is widely read and appreciated. Many books and tapes go out every week.
- **The CSA Lending Library** has enjoyed many excellent additions and been extremely busy all year.
- **Volunteers** have faithfully stuck with their commitments. David Brown has spent two evenings a week all year developing some new tools. The Lord willing, you soon will see some fruit. Barbara Akridge continues to donate one Saturday a month for administrative work. Mark Christianson and Jim Riley have faithfully video and audio-taped CSA meetings for several years now. We are excited that Jerry Dal Porto from Channel 5 is helping us upgrade our video capabilities.
- **Missionary Support** for the CSA General Fund and individual CSA leaders is now received from several groups (PTL).
- **CSA Financial Health** is better than it has been at any time. We truly appreciate the fact that CSA supporters faithfully continue to provide adequate funding to meet our real needs. We have now completed our ninth year without having to warn our supporters of impending doom if they do not send money immediately. We do not mean that CSA is financially well off. **It is not!** We have a number of pressing needs we will share with you below. We do mean that CSA's practice of conservative commitment of the funds we receive, and your faithfulness in supplying our needs have combined to keep us out of debt, but enabled us to minister to thousands of people. Costs are also low because most CSA work is volunteer.

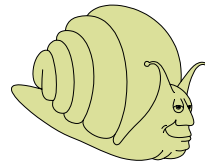


CSA Prayer Requests

Jesus said "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few." Nothing has changed since His day. There are several ways people can help: volunteer services, or (with CSA's and their church's approval) raise support and become a CSA missionary, or with only the Lord's approval, provide funding so others can work full or part time in CSA. We have several areas of need for which we covet your prayers:

- **Administrative work.** CSA administrative workload continues to grow beyond our ability to cope with it.
- **Data Processing help.** Pray that, among our many highly skilled supporters, one with good data processing skills will volunteer to help us reorganize our office systems, or choose to join us full or part time.
- **Manual and Computer art.** We have a strong desire to illustrate our published works more completely and improve our presentation aids and exhibits. Pray for the resources to accomplish this.
- **Other needs:** Researchers, writers, speakers.

Some of the above needs can be met from home, others must be accomplished at the CSA office.



Creation Safari Report

The last 1992 Safari will probably be history when you read this. Typically attended by almost 100 folks, this is one of the most popular:

- **Squaw Creek Game Refuge.** 11/7 (9:00AM-3:00PM) A beautiful and awesome day observing one of God's finest migration spectacles. At Squaw Creek we will see hundreds of thousands of waterfowl and hundreds of eagles that follow them on their journey from the Arctic Circle. We will also have time for some fossil hunting and to examine several soil types. Topics: Migration; speciation; evolution myths regarding beauty & color. **Fee:** None **Meet:** McDonald's @ I29 & Barry Road. **Leaders:** Hauser, True, Farwell, Willis

1992 Safaris In Review

During 1992 CSA conducted **ten safaris and seven astronomy outings**. The Safaris included overnight trips to Ha Ha Tonka State Park, Chalk Bed and Sturemberg Museum Tour in western Kansas, and the Ozark Cave Outing with side trip to the Truman Dam museum. Day trips included N. Kansas City Fossil Hunt, Coal Mine visit in southern Kansas, KU Natural History Museum, Watkins Mill and Fossil Hunt, KATY Trail Nature Trip, and Squaw Creek Game Refuge.

Attendance continues to grow. Over 50 have attended astronomy outings, and 47 went on the Cave Outing overnight. These outings continue to improve and the attendance has been great at most of the safaris.

Merry
Christmas

CSA Meeting Tuesday, December 1, 1992

The Basic Institute in Creation Science
Origin of Life Section:

Does Mother Nature Design Things?

And Who Is Mother Nature Anyway?

by: Jim Henderson

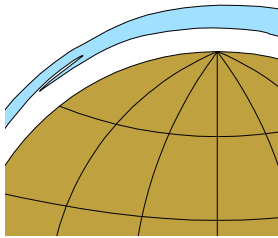


From the Roman poet Lucretius, to Darwin, to Harvard's Gould, there have always been folks who claimed they could not see evidence of design or a designer in nature. But, in Romans 1:18-25, the Bible makes clear that **all men see plenty of**

evidence, of both design and the designer in nature. Their problem, according to Paul is not lack of evidence, but willful suppression of it. "Professing themselves wise, they became fools," declares Paul. Jim Henderson teaches Biology at area colleges, raises orchids, and is an avid student of God's handiwork. For an entertaining and thought-provoking review of some of the evidence that causes the aforementioned men to be "without excuse," don't miss the December Basic Institute.

The Advanced Institute in Creation Science
The Age of the Earth Section:

The Age of the Earth's Atmosphere Estimated From Its Helium Content



A Video From the
International Conference
on Creationism
by: Larry Vardiman, Ph.D.

A practicing meteorologist and thorough student of the atmosphere, Dr. Vardiman presents a virtually air-tight (pun intended) case for a young atmosphere, ergo a young earth. **All** researchers agree, the atmospheric inputs of Helium (largely from decay of Uranium) exceed outflows by many times. Since Helium is a noble gas, and doesn't form chemical bonds with other elements, the obvious question for old earthers is, "Where did all the Helium go?"

Did you know... CSA meetings are free, entertaining,
educational, and useful in evangelism?
If you haven't been coming, you should be.

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CSA Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Carbon Dating (with special focus on non-equilibrium carbon dating). The Carbon Dating group is already underway, and made a fine interim report at the October meeting.

Understanding the Times utilizing the 60 video tapes and the textbook from Summit Ministries on Secular Humanism, Marxism, and Biblical Christianity. There are three different groups meeting. One in Raytown (evenings) led by John Kupka, one in Olathe, Kansas (daytime), and one in Overland Park, Kansas (daytime), both led by David Akridge.

Biblical Chronology (with special focus on evaluating the extensive research of Eugene Faulstich using lunar calendar and astronomical position computer programs to verify Biblical and other ancient dates). This group is formed and has a leader. We need a volunteer host site.

Quotable Quotes

"It would be an illusion to think that what we are aware of at present is any more than a fraction of the full extent of biological design. In practically every field of fundamental biological research ever increasing levels of design and complexity are being revealed at an ever increasing rate. The credibility of natural selection is weakened, therefore, not only by the perfection we have already glimpsed but by the expectation of further as yet undreamt of depths of ingenuity and complexity. To those who still dogmatically advocate that all this new reality is the result of pure chance one can only reply, like Alice [in wonderland], incredulous in the face of the contradictory logic of the Red Queen:

Alice Laughed. 'There's no use trying', she said, 'One can't believe impossible things.' 'I dare say you haven't had much practice,' said the queen. 'When I was your age I did it for half an hour a day, Why sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast.'"

Michael Denton, EVOLUTION: A Theory in Crisis,
1986, Adler & Adler, pg 342

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