

"IN THE NEWSLETTER SPOTLIGHT"

"In the Newsletter Spotlight" is a feature which highlights members of the UTTC Staff; its purpose is to acquaint the other Staff and the Students with new members.

This "In the Newsletter Spotlight" is featuring CAROL ANDERSON, one of the MATH TUTORS at UTTC. This article was written by CAROL.

I spent my childhood growing up on a farm at Egeland, North Dakota, a small community in the northeastern part of the state. After graduation from high school, I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics from Mayville State University, Mayville, North Dakota.

From there, I taught high school math at Columbus, North Dakota, Campbell, Minnesota, Wahpeton, North Dakota, and Gillette, Wyoming. Some of my teaching years were spent teaching math at Sheridan College, the Gillette Branch, as well as performing administrative fiscal-control duties at that college.

Upon returning to North Dakota in 1986, I taught math at Bismarck High School, while obtaining my Master's Degree in Management from the University of Mary in Bismarck. Before joining the UTTC Staff, I worked as a business manager and accountant at a local business in Bismarck.

During the time that I am not working, I enjoy my home, family, and friends. I occasionally attempt to golf, and I enjoy playing bridge.

I am happy to be back at an educational facility for two reasons: 1. to be able to take part in the learning process of the students in one of my favorite subjects---MATHEMATICS!.... and, 2. to be part of the growth experience that I see happening at UTTC.

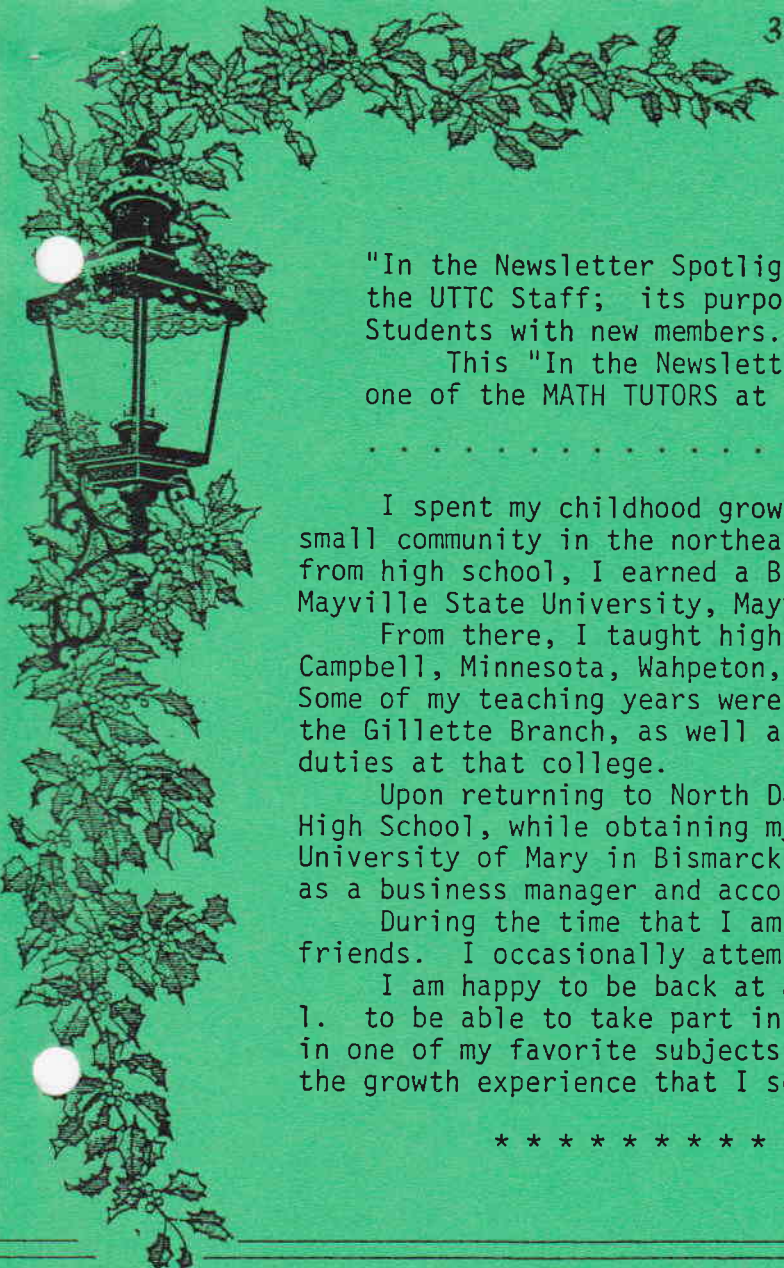
TO THE READERS OF THE NEWSLETTER FROM THE EDITOR:

Much debate was generated by last week's article on "Domestic Violence" and the services of the Abused Adults' Resource Center of Bismarck.

Several excellent points were made by male readers, whose comments can fall into the two following general (and incisive) observations: 1. Abuse is not limited to MALES abusing women and children....WOMEN are also abusers of adult males and of children; in these cases, the children are just as victimized, no matter WHO is doing the abusing. 2. Frequently, men are embarrassed to admit that they are being abused physically/emotionally/verbally/sexually by women; nevertheless, this does not mean that the abuse is not going on---and probably more frequently than people realize.

The Abused Adults' Resource Center offers counseling and other assistance to ADULTS WHO ARE ABUSED---WHETHER THE ADULTS ARE MEN OR WOMEN. The Resource Center points out in its literature that BOTH WOMEN AND MEN are victims of abuse in domestic relationships. (The material also states that MOST MEDICAL EMERGENCIES IN DOMESTIC VIOLENT SITUATIONS, HOWEVER, ARE WOMEN. This is due to the greater strength advantage that men frequently have.) However, women do kick, slap, hit, bite, stab, shoot, run over, and otherwise do physical harm to males, though to be fair, statistically, WOMEN are more often the victims of REPORTED CASES OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. The emphasis is on the word REPORTED. The sad thing is that the CHILDREN INVOLVED ARE MOST OFTEN THE COMPLETELY INNOCENT VICTIMS, NO MATTER WHAT ADULT DOES THE ABUSING IN THE HOME.

The BISMARCK TRIBUNE recently has run several Ann Landers Columns addressing the subject of the violence that men and women do to each other. These letters make the point that domestic violence is a two-way street---males abuse women and children, and females abuse men and children. These letters can be read on the last page of this NEWSLETTER.





Marietta, Georgia: Violence is learned behavior, and sad to say, it has become an American way of life. Our males have been taught to be violent and are cheered when they are at their worst. Look at any football or hockey game, not to mention prize fighting. Men have been known to kill each other while engaging in these "sports." We can stop the craziness by refusing to reward and glorify barbaric behavior with huge audiences and astronomical salaries.

Cambridge, Mass.: I am an active and outspoken female activist, but I have the good sense to know that violence and cruelty are not the sole properties of men. Millions of women abuse their children, physically and emotionally. When couples break up, women are just as likely as men to be cruel and destructive. Both men and women need to learn how to reach out to one another in love and heal the pain and ugliness that is poisoning the world.

Corpus Christi: This is for your correspondent who expressed consternation at the brutality of men. In bygone days, maybe this was true, but no more. What about that woman in Texas who allegedly sought a hit man to kill the mother of her daughter's cheerleading rival?

New York: I don't want to hear any more about how brutal and barbaric men are. I work in an emergency room in Queens, and last night five men came in after having been attacked. Three were beaten up by their wives, but one was banged around by his girlfriend and the other by a drunk woman who lived next door. She

said his TV was on too loud. Case closed as far as I'm concerned.



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YOUR PERSONAL BILL OF RIGHTS

1. You have the right to strive to be the way you want to be.
2. You have the right to say "NO" and to have that choice respected by others.
3. You have the right to grow, to change, to become, to strive, to reach for any goal, to be limited only by your degree of talent and amount of effort.
4. You have the right to TRY, to win, to succeed, to make plans, to see those plans fulfilled, to become the best that you can possibly become.
5. You have the right to privacy--in marriage, in a family, in any relationship, in any group--the right to keep a part of yourself to yourself, no matter how trivial or how important, merely because you want it to be that way. And you have the right to be alone part of each day, each week, and each year, to spend time with yourself.
6. You have the right to be loved and to love, to be accepted, cared for, and you have the right to try to fulfill that right.
7. You have the right to ask for consideration, help, and/or affection from others.
8. You have the right, under certain circumstances, to have expectations of others.
9. You have the right to ask questions of people, at any time and in any manner that affects your life, so long as it is your business to do so; and you have the right to be listened to and taken seriously.
10. You have the right to have your opinions and ideas given the same respect and consideration that others have.
11. You have the right to self-respect and to do everything you need to do to increase your self-esteem SO LONG AS YOU HURT NO ONE IN DOING SO.
12. You have the right to work to be happy, to find something in the world that is meaningful and rewarding to you and gives you a sense of completeness.
13. You have the right to be trusted if you deserve it, and the right to trust others.... to be taken at your word, if you deserve it. If you are wrong, you have the right to be given a chance to make up for your mistake if possible.
14. You have the right to make mistakes and to forgive yourself...and go on...but the smart person doesn't make the same old mistakes---he/she tries new experiences, new studies....meets new people, and MAY MAKE MISTAKES---but he/she learns from them.... and KEEPS GROWING.