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Midwestern Conclave

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THE 28 Annual Midwestern Forester’s Conclave was hosted by the University of Minnesota at Camp Courage, 30 miles northeast of Minneapolis, on October 19-21, 1979.

The ISU team of 12 Forestry Club members scored a total of 5 points, once again avoiding the dreaded last place prize: The "Bear Skin".

Senior John Jennett brought in the first point with a fourth place standing in the speed-chopping event. The second point, again a fourth place, was earned by the special event team of junior Kris Holt, sophomore Al Wimmer, freshman Dave Peters and John Jennett.

The last three points were the result of a dramatic conclusion of this year’s Conclave. Minnesota and Missouri went into the last event, the two-man buck, tied for overall first...
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place. As the event proceeded, it appeared that Minnesota would take first place for five points, and Missouri taking second and third for an aggregate of five points. With three teams left, the competition looked like it would end in a deadlock. But ISU's last team still had their chance at the event. Mike Scanlon, a junior, and John Jennett raced in a time just seconds better than the second ranked Missouri team, dropping Missouri's rankings to third and fourth. With Missouri’s aggregate reduced to three points, Minnesota took overall first by two.

To the dozen who went to this year's Conclave, it was a good chance to meet new people. For those who go to the University of Missouri at Columbia for next year's Conclave, we send our best wishes and hopes for strong friendships.