VISUALIZING DEBATE: Members of the 1995–96 debate team take part in a “visualization for victory” exercise organized by then-coach Sam Nelson (far left).

The writer was a six-time All-American member of the men’s cross country and track and field teams.

Engaged in Debate
The picture on page 53 of the March-April issue is from the 1995–96 school year. I was the coach of the Debate Union at the time. That’s me on the end, with the beard. I’m leading some team members in one of my “deep visualization for victory” training exercises. Others in the picture include Randy Pittelli ’95, Louise Vella ’97, Bimal Desai, Alex Helderman ’96, Chetan Gulati ’99, Paul Kerr, Jon Herman, Curtis Sturdivant ’98, David Novak ’99, Ryan Patterson ’97, Liz Jarratt ’96, Carrie Rosen ’97, Miranda Chiu ’96, Josh Clinton ’97, and Angela Wattersworth Kroboth ’98. This was a wonderful team and included many more amazing debaters not pictured here. All of that year’s debate team members still keep me supplied with fond memories all these 20 years later!

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Recollections

Frosh Camp was the best experience ever—playing baseball, writing the class song, a big pajama party, meeting upperclassmen on the bus who taught us all the University songs (Ask the Archivist, September-October 2014). We got on the bus as clueless and random individuals, and left the bus as a united group who felt the U of R was where we were supposed to be.—Lauren Conner Taylor ’67

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