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Core II issues for Nashua meeting

Substantive issues:

Public comment 28 (5.3.4p16): If nothrow operator new is called and returns NULL, initialization should not be done (and the deallocation function should not be called). Applies to all signatures that contain a nothrow parameter, and not just those defined by the WP; also includes user replacements for such functions.

Core issue 774: Add 5.2.9p10 (like 5.2.10p7) making it clear that static_cast of pointer-to-object to void* and back again gives the original pointer.

No issue number: 5.2.11p2 should make it clear that const_cast to same type is okay only for types otherwise acceptable for const_cast, i.e., pointer, pointer-to-member, reference (and not, e.g., float --> float).

Core issue 778: 13.3.3 should indicate that the "conversion sequence" on the implicit object parameter for a static member function is no better, no worse than other conversion sequences (and therefore is never the deciding factor in selecting one function over another).

Paper 97-0012/N1050: Implicit use of conversion function to convert a class rvalue to an lvalue to which a reference is then bound directly should be okay.

Core issue 683: When an enumerator constant is used before the closing "}" of its enumeration it should have the type of the initializing expression (alternative (1) in the core issue).

Core issue 756, 734, 682: The behavior of the "?" operator prototype in 13.6 is not right.

- (a) Many class cases are ambiguous because of 13.6p28 (this is issue 756).
- (b) Cases like the following are ambiguous because of duplication between the signatures:

We have no proposed resolution yet.

Editorial Issues:

Public comment 13: agree. "unsuccessful" after overload resolution in 13.3.1.2p9 means "no viable functions found" and does not include ambiguity.

Public comment 16: clarify that local classes have the same access to a containing class as does the containing function (i.e., they're not the same as nested classes).

Public comment 23 (5-23): WP is clear enough, but add example showing composite pointer type.

Public comment 28 (18.1p4): trivial editorial change ("null-pointer constant"

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to "null pointer constant").

Public comment 36: Add suggested wording noting that main cannot be called recursively (3.6.1 says this already).

Core issue 773: Make clear in 4.2p2 that the deprecated string-to-char * standard conversion is done only when there is an explicit destination type of char *.

No issue number: 5.7pl should make it clear that in pointer+-enum, the enum is treated as if it has the underlying integral type.

Items for which we recommend no action:

Public comment 29 (item 7): disagree. We think passing a non-POD to an ellipsis should remain undefined behavior. Lots of code does this.

Public comment 29 (item 8): disagree. Casting between pointer-to-signed and pointer-to-unsigned should remain a reinterpret_cast and not a static_cast.

Core issue 718: old-style cast between pointers to incomplete class types should remain unspecified with regard to the choice of static_cast/reinterpret_cast interpretation.

Core issue 775: static_cast from pointer to struct to pointer to first member should remain invalid. Use reinterpret_cast (should this be made well-defined under reinterpret_cast?).

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