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## The Eighties--

### An Age of Apathy

By Steve Arnold

The sixties was an age of student protest. The seventies was an age of mellowing, and the eighties appears to be an age of continued student mellowing-- and perhaps apathy.

What would have incurred the wrath of disgruntled, social-minded students in the sixties is being met with apparent student acceptance in the eighties. This new student mentality, characterized by an "I-don't-care" and an "It's-not-worth-protesting-for" attitude is predominant in colleges and universities across the nation. And college administrations are loving it.

During the riotous sixties, the iron-hand ruling of college administrations was significantly questioned, if not weakened, by student turmoil. The constant rift between the two factions caused college administrators to take a "back seat" role in student affairs. Areas in which the students gained particular strength were student government, student publications, and student activities.

Things are changing. According to Glenn Shinner, Student Body President of UCLA, "It's not amazing that college administrations are attempting to regain the ground they lost during periods of upheaval. What is amazing is that the students are allowing the redistribution of power-- more than allowing it, many students appear to be in favor of it."

Two factors seem to explain the students' abdication. First, students of the eighties are generalized as being apathetic; less motivated and less interested in politics, economics, current events, and social issues. Second, students of this decade are of a more conservative persuasion than their earlier counterparts; thus, more apt to be in philosophical agreement with administrative officials.

Typical of students' tendencies to accept administrative mandates during the eighties is the closing of three student newspapers this school year alone. School newspapers, virtually infamous for being liberal expressions of equally liberal student views, have been forced to cease publications upon Administrative order. One such example is last year's "shut-down" of *The Point*, the student newspaper of our sister Nazarene college in

Point Loma. Similarly, a previous editor of the *Crusader* was severely chastised for what was considered to be an "irresponsible and inflammatory" editorial concerning the Presidency. Interestingly enough, though, the editor received her strongest criticism from her fellow students and her Publication Board, a committee of elected students who oversee the publications of the yearbook and of the newspaper.

Several colleges and universities have banned the consumption of alcohol on school grounds. One such school is the University of Rhode Island, where students were purported to have "been coming to class intoxicated." Though student response was expected to be extreme and unfavorable, the ruling was issued, and has been executed with "minimal student interference," according to the Communications office of the University.

The manner in which Administrations have regained censorship in terms of student entertainment is most interesting. Purdue University was forced to stop a series of movies which the Administration viewed as "pornographic." Moreover, a concert was cancelled the night of the performance at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Oregon. To be featured at the concert was a rock group which had allegedly

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## Crime Rates Skyrocket

### During Christmas Season

On college campuses, Christmas is the season to be wary of burglars.

Crime rates during holiday break, when campuses are relatively empty, have risen drastically over the last few years, security officials report.

In response, campus police departments have resorted to crime prevention programs built around "cute slogans" and, of course, beefed up holiday police forces.

"We're making our troops more aware than they have been in the past," says Dale Patterson, crime bureau specialist of the University of Arizona's security department.

Most of what needs to be stopped are crimes against property, Patterson notes. The number of thefts, pocket pickings, bicycle stealing and auto crimes tend to increase as December wears on. Patterson attributes the increases to "increased opportunity" for criminals because "people are studying, thinking about how they're going to get home, and they aren't paying attention to personal property safety."

The Christmas crime wave has reached such urgent proportions at the University of Southern California that the school's administration has authorized its security staff to spend as much money and manpower as necessary to contain it.

Last Christmas, the staff spent \$7500 to place extra plainclothes police officers around university buildings and student-dominated neighborhoods near the campus. The tactic worked.

"There was a decrease in the amount of crimes in areas that we patrolled," claims Steve Ward, the security chief. "We tried to have someone either in or around the buildings at all times during the break."

Patterson is confident that crime at his campus will also decrease once a more intensive patrol watch is organized. In the meantime, Patterson, Ward and other security officers at various schools agree the best way to minimize the effect of crime during winter breaks is for students to be more careful and protective of their property.

"What it boils down to is just having some common sense," Patterson says.

Ward suggests students must learn to store expensive items such as bicycles and stereo systems either at students' homes or in locked up storage rooms. Small items like jewelry and clock radios, Ward warns, should be taken home by the students.

It's gotten so that, for criminals, "going to a student apartment complex is like going to a grocery store," says Tuscaloosa (Ala.) Police Captain Jerry Fuller.

"You know what you want and where to get it. Non-students know that every student will probably have stereo equipment. So he knows where to go if that's what he's looking for."

A student at one University of Houston dorm, for example, returned from Christmas break last January to find \$700 worth of small appliances gone. At Wesleyan, campus police said burglaries of stereos, televisions, jewelry

and clock radios from dorms increased during Christmas break last year. A police spokesman speculated it was because Wesleyan had closed its dorms down as an energy conservation measure, and that the widely-reported closings had attracted thieves to the campus.

Patterson, who worries the economic downturn has aggravated the situation-- "When the economy goes in a slump, criminals become more desperate"--also advises students to coordinate vacation schedules with their roommates so "perhaps someone could be in the room at all times."

University of Texas at Austin security official Capt. Jay Barr doubts the precautionary lessons will help much. The lessons, he says, are "inconvenient, so I don't expect many students to follow them."

To make sure that students at least know about precautions they can take, the USC security department has initiated a student-run crime prevention program. The volunteer effort consists mainly of a large-scale advertising campaign listing various precautions to be taken.

"We try to come up with cute slogans," says Lauresa Stillwell, the group's chairwoman. "We try to raise their (the students') consciousness about the crimes that go on here. They think it's just like home here, that they can leave things lying around and that nothing will happen. But it's not like home here. People take things."

--King Marc Brawner--Speech Competition-- Skating Party--Pizza Feed--

## Winterfest

By Laura Holmes

NNC's first Winterfest was held last weekend, January 8-10, building to the crowning of Marc Brawner as the Winterfest King.

The idea of Winterfest is new to NNC, and Kyle Bunker expressed the hope that it might become a January tradition. He and many others spent hours selecting candidates for the festival, and planning competitions for them, as well as several all school activities like Friday

night's skating party, and Saturday's pizza feed. The skate party and pizza feed were well attended, but the publicity was not emphasized, and the attendance at special competitions lagged.

The candidates themselves put much work into the preparation of speeches, and talent acts. After the talent show, there was a span of twenty points separating the high scores from the lower ones. After many singing and speaking numbers, the audience was surprised at Marc Brawner's drawing,

"The Winner," done before their eyes.

Men on the court were Freshmen Dwight Lamm, David Slonaker, and Rod Ramsey, Sophomores: Dino Thoren, Clint Hahn, and Dave Edwards, Juniors: Doug Rotz, Brian Hochhalter, and Mike Funk, and Seniors: Gary Weber, Ray Wolverton, and King Marc Brawner.

To finish the weekend off right, Chris May shot a "once in a lifetime shot" from half court to win \$1,000 from the Royal Fork to be split between

him and the school. "I couldn't believe it!" says Chris, "I couldn't do it again in a million years of practice." When asked what he planned to do with the money, he had no moment of hesitation before his reply to the intent of spending it on his marriage to Pam Rogers, another NNC student.

Hopefully, the tradition of Winterfest will catch on at NNC, and make January a special month in years to come.

## Heralds New Year

# Student From New Guinea



by Teresa Sinel

The students at NNC come in various packages, and inside each package is a different and interesting story. One such student is Susan Schendel, a freshman from Papua, New Guinea.

Right from birth, Susan was destined to become part of the NNC family; she was born in what is now the Fine Arts Building. Her parents, missionaries in New Guinea, also influenced her decision as they also attended NNC.

Among her hobbies, Susan enjoys motorcycle riding, which she used to do in New Guinea. She has also been involved in sports, her favorites being soccer and volleyball. Travel is a special love of

Susan's. She has been to Australia, New Zealand, the Phillipines, Fiji, Korea and Japan. Someday she hopes to go to Europe and see those countries also.

For fourteen years of her life, Susan has lived in New Guinea, where she hopes to eventually live. Out of the seven hundred languages spoken there, she is fluent in the two main trade languages and is working on a third.

A social work major, Susan takes a great interest in psychology and is looking forward to a career in which she can work with and help people. Her present plans are to work with abused or mentally retarded children.

# Student Resolutions

By Elizabeth Martin

"Did you make any New Year's Resolutions this year? Have you kept them?" I recently asked a few students and staff members this question. I was not suprised that a majority of those interviewed answered negatively. I was amazed, however, at the number of students willing to talk to a stranger carrying a tape recorder.

*Chris May (Basketball hero):* No, I didn't. I'm a bad New Year's Eve person, I go to bed at 11:00.

*Tim Bunn:* I didn't really make a resolution, I just had an idea that I wanted to live for God this year. I've made a conscious decision that I wanted to do this, and I've followed through with prayer, reading the Bible and living to the best of my ability.

*Bruce Webb:* No, I didn't. It never even entered my mind this year.

*President Pearsall:* Yes, I

have made resolutions . . . lots of them—for the college.

*Q:* Have you kept them . . . followed through on them . . . ?

*Prez. Pearsall:* Well, it takes a whole year . . .

*Q:* Some of the people I've spoken with have already broken theirs.

*Prez. Pearsall:* That's too bad. No, I'm doing my best.

*Q:* Thank you.

*Jerry Hull:* No, but I'm basically a goal oriented person. I'm constantly reviewing where I've been and setting down new goals and new directions. New Year's Day isn't any different than other day .

*Pam Rogers:* I made a decision to do better as ASN-NC Secretary and as R.A. It's not really a resolution, just a decision to do better.

*Len Ridley:* Yes, I did make some resolutions and I've been following them. I've decided to grow spiritually this year, . . . and be a servant.

*Q:* . . . in Chapel you said

you were willing to be a failure for Christ . . . ?

*Len Ridley:* Yes, that comes under my decision to seek the will of God no matter what.

*Dawn Marie Nelson:* I wanted to lose weight this year. I've lost 17 pounds since Christmas. Another goal is to get the yearbook out in time.

*Paul Heath:* I didn't make any resolutions this year. If I were to resolve anything it would be that I draw closer to the Lord. I'm not as close as I could be and the strength to draw nearer has to come from the Lord Himself.

*Chris Eberle:* I resolve this year: not to go to the bars, not to go out with wild women and not to drink more than one six-pack a day.

*Kelly Shaw:* I'm going to get better grades this quarter. I've changed my study habits a lot.

*Anon:* We've resolved not to complain about SAGA's food.

*Q:* Listening to your conversation, it seems you've failed already.

*Anon:* You have to have something to gripe about during dinner. SAGA seems to be the best thing to keep a conversation going.

*T.J. Miller, Jenae Arnesen, Toni Whitehurst:* Can we say this together?

*Q:* Sure.

*T.J., etc.:* We resolved not to make anymore New Year's resolutions!

*Q:* Have you followed up on your resolution?

*T.J., etc.:* Yes.

*Q:* So you're going to stick by that? You're not going to resolve anything this year?

*T.J., etc.:* The whole year, next year, the year after . . .

*Q:* Thank you.

*Toni:* Can I hear that?

*Mark Bernhardt:* No, I don't make New Year's Resolutions.

*Q:* Why?

*Mark Bernhardt:* New Year's is neat but, I'd rather just go for it anyway.

*Tim King:* I think instead of saying "resolution" it would be more of a "commitment." It would be to keep more consistent in my devotion to Christ . . . and really concentrate on prayer daily . . . and fellowship with people around campus.

*Fred LaPlante:* I didn't really make any resolutions. The Lord said: "Let your 'yea' be 'yea' and your 'nay' be 'nay'." So when I make a resolution I say sometimes: "Okay, I'm going to do this and it will be under my own power, and I'm just going to have to say 'yes' or 'no'." So I'm just going to have to say that and follow God.

*Joy Bartholomew:* I make resolutions and I never keep up to them, so I just decided to try harder to do what I was going to do . . . But I wasn't to make any resolutions.

*Norma Bennett:* I made a lot of resolutions. One of them is have more faith and trust in God, and . . . work out three times a week. My main

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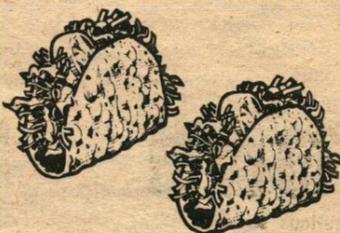


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## Eighties

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"disrobed" at previous concerts. Though the "disrobing" rumors were unconfirmed and of suspect, the concert was stopped due to "poor taste."

The censorship of a biology textbook at Point Loma is yet another example of the regained strength of college administration. Though the textbook is a nationally-acclaimed, scientific work, used by hundreds of high schools and colleges, the Administration found this textbook too questionable for continued student use.

The students of the eighties are a new breed—gone are the tumultuous sixties when student revolts were frequent, heated—and many times—successful. The students of the eighties, however, seem to be blinking at college administrations' reclaiming of power. Whether it's in the area of student government, student publications, or student activities, the Establishment (to use a word from the sixties) is regaining its almost lost jurisdiction in student affairs. While a minority of students are bemoaning this shift to the right, most students seem to be oblivious of the fact, while a significant majority appears to be in favor of the conservative swing.

## Student Resolutions

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resolution was just to show more of God's love to people.

Q: How have you done?

**Norma Bennett:** I've worked out and my faith in God has been really good. I really trusted Him with finding work, and I found another job. I've been trying to share with other people who don't know about God's love. I'm kind of surprised because usually I'll make resolutions and I'll put them aside right away.

**Steve LeMesurier:** My biggest New Year's Resolution has been not to make any New Year's Resolutions.

Q: That's the answer most people give me. Can I quote you?

**Steve:** Sure.

**Anon:** To stop cracking my knuckles and to lose twenty pounds.

**Lisa Butler:** To lose about 15 pounds. And I'm working on it . . . and to get through with my education before I get married.

**Christie Goehring:** I've resolved to get all of my work in on time . . . and to get closer to Jesus. . . To make God my best friend. Everytime I'm lonely, He is right there, that's why Christ came—to reconcile us.

**Elizabeth Martin:** No, I feel that a New Year is a promise in itself. Why tie yourself down with 'I-should-have-dones'?

Crusader Answer Man

## On the Subject of Dress

Dear Crusader Answer Man,

I've had this question for a long, long time, but none of my friends seem to be able to explain it. Since I heard that you guys are having a question and answer column, I thought you might try to do this "tuffy." What is "proper dress?" I mean, who's to say what's right and wrong? Examples I've seen:

1. Wearing ski passes on your jacket (during ski season of course) when everyone knows there's no snow.
2. Guys wearing necklaces in *this* weather, so they have to undo their shirts.
3. How high should dresses by slit and still called "decent?" How about slits in the front or back?
4. What about these so-called blondes that wear their hair in sexy styles? I mean, pulled back to one side and lots of rouge?

Don't give me any "cute" short answers. I want to know what someone else really thinks.

### Confused But Concerned

Dear Con But Con,

I don't understand what's the big problem. You seem to be fixated on the outward appearances rather than on the inward person. Some day when the world is all blown to bits or else we get to "peruse the parousia" all those petty worries about clothes and hair will seem to be pretty insignificant indeed. But if you're really worried and want to know what is "right" and "decent" and "proper" in the way of attire and personal appearances I will take a stab at turning on the light for you.

This is my philosophy about what people should wear on their bodies and do to their hair: anything they want to. You may think that's a little strong and you might want to suggest that I apply a few conditions or caveats to my blanket approval of freedom of sartorial expression, but I stand pat and refuse to be moved from my position.

I think the biggest problem we (Christians and non-Christians alike) face in this mechanized and computer-dominated world is to maintain a sense of individuality in the face of ever-increasing pressure to conform, conform, conform. I mean, if open shirts and ski passes are the new style, then *everyone* should start wearing them to show that they are not afraid to look and act just like everyone else. The true individualist knows that it is terrible form to stick out from the common herd of humanity like a sore thumb. My advice to you is to buy all the fashion magazines and keep up on the latest trends so that you can be the first one in your dorm to look like everyone else.

As for the propriety of certain so-called and alleged "suggestive" clothing styles I can only suggest that you look to your own conscience to be your guide in leading you through the "Slough of Despond" to the Celestial City. While you should try to be modest and decent you should remember that if you dress like a nun you're going to get some pretty boring dates.

Birchfield L. Bloom  
"The Crusader Answer Man"

ASNNC President Tim Bunn

Lists Objectives

## State of the Union Address

It is the duty of, or may I say the privilege of, the Student Body President each term to give his "State of the Union Address." I would rather like to quickly tell you of some of my objectives, ideas and reflections as the year has progressed and this term draws to an end.

Charles E. Hummel once said, "Our greatest danger in life is in permitting the urgent things to crowd out the important." I fear that in student government we, too, are caught up in the quick pace of the "urgent." Perhaps it is time to take a closer look at the important; questions like why are we really here as a student government?

My major objectives for the year are, first, to continue the smooth functioning of all student activities, secondly, continue to look for speakers of a uniquely outstanding character to speak on campus, and thirdly, to work on community relations. President Pearsall mentioned early in the year the idea of placing signs around the Nampa community, directing to NNC; we need to let people know where we are. Our Constitution states, as one of the major purposes for ASNNC, "to promote a favorable relationship between the community of Nampa and the students of NNC."

I feel that this has been a neglected area for far too long. My idea of visiting with Governor John Evans and visiting a session of the legislature has met with little positive response, but I think it is vital for us as student leaders to promote our college in the community and to gain valuable leadership experience whenever possible.

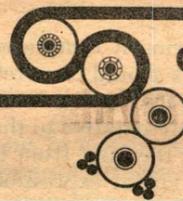
My fourth objective is to work closely with NSLC to strengthen our goals as Nazarene Church colleges and a united institution. We have a great opportunity to speak out as combined Nazarene student leaders. After speaking with Professor Stellway concerning Wheaton College and their active student government, I have a renewed interest in the possibility of NNC becoming involved in some type of membership for evangelical colleges. I see that we can make an impact on our world.

My fifth objective is to have the Senate, especially the Campus Life Committee, look into the entire realm of student needs and concerns. I would specifically suggest that we look into future apartment policies, use of tennis courts on Sundays, or any concern—major or minor that may face our students today.

After talking with Nancy Moench and other student leaders, I feel that it is vital that student government not stagnate, that it not be a simple rubber stamp concerned only with the facilitation of campus activities.

We must measure our progress and accomplishments not by the absence of radicalism or how pleased the Administration is of our progress, but we must measure our accomplishment by the concrete objectives successfully accomplished on behalf of the students.

I hope, as the year goes on, we can see the *important* jobs which we have successfully accomplished.



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# Finger Bowls and the Use of "Aint"

# Christianity: Not a Passive Proposition

By Len Ridley

According to many linguists, "ain't" has evolved into a legitimate word. What was once considered slovenly and symptomatic of the uneducated is now finding its way into published articles, nationally syndicated columns, and reputable textbooks.

The age of impeccability is over.

Blue jeans are worn to banquets. Paper napkins, as opposed to linen, are found at the most fashionable restaurants — while finger bowls are antiquated.

The age of impeccability is over.

Of particular concern to me is the manner in which this trend toward informality affects the church's statement. Now I'm not referring to women wearing slacks to church, laymen chewing Wrigley's during the sermon, or the use of guitars and tambourines during selected music. These infractions I consider to be external — relatively unimportant.

What I do **not** consider to be unimportant is the manner in which this trend toward the informal has affected pulpit demeanor.

Unfortunately, apparent unpreparedness, violation of good speech principles, shoddy grammar, and mundane content (in terms of illustrations and examples) are becoming more frequent features of sermons.

Preachers who continually abuse communication principles risk damaging their speaker ethos.

Let me be quick to add, I am hesitant to write an editorial, which is sure to be regarded as an "attack" upon the clergy. Ministers are in unenviable positions; their work schedules are exhausting, public and church demands can be frustrating, and any "perceived inefficiency" renders them open to attack. Lest this editorial be considered yet another unsubstantiated and unnecessary criticism, let me advance my motivation: to challenge ministers toward sermons which do not alienate nor offend members of their congregation.

The laity has a right to expect certain elements in sermons. One cohesive unit of thought should be presented in a sermon. The subsidiary postulates of that theme should be concise and clear — substantiated from the Bible and illustrated biblically, historically, or currently. It is careless homiletics to expect a congregation to wade through rivers of nebulous, unorganized, impromptu meanderings, and hope that the Holy Spirit will personalize the nonmessage.

The laity should also expect good speech habits. Dr. Pearsall challenges all pastoral students to enroll in as many speech classes as possible; this is only fitting. Vivid and varied vocabulary, adequate enunciation, proper grammar, and appropriate voice control are the bare essentials for any public address. Preachers who slovenly use redundant phrasing, constant pitch and rate factors, and meaningless "Ah's" and "Umm's" excessively should not wonder at the lack of response to their cogent messages, for preachers who are guilty of this negligence advance an unmistakable message: (1) Sermons are unimportant; (2) I am lazy; and (3) This congregation is not worth the time it takes to affect a meaningful, interesting sermon.

Finally, pastoral credibility can also be seriously diminished, if not destroyed, by poor content. Preachers should be careful that their subject matter is accurate and treated in a decorous manner. Preachers are essentially God's representative to their congregation — especially when addressing the laity from the pulpit. Those who resort to coarse humor, vulgar expressions, whimsical statements, and questionable slang are personally offensive to me. For some reason, I expect pulpit diction to be different from locker room diction. Specifically, slang euphemisms for God/Jesus used as exclamations, expressions such as "Go pick your nose," and ethnic slurs are intolerable infringements against good taste.

The age of impeccability is over.

I hope that pulpit demeanor has not been so influenced by the trend toward informality that the trend cannot be reverted. Though perfection is impossible, it **should** be possible to produce cohesive, organized sermons, which conform to the guidelines of good speech and good taste.

This fall I attended a Sunday evening service where the preacher, in slightly-better-than-pidgin-English, attacked Soren Kierkegaard as being "a Spanish atheist."

Kierkegaard was not Spanish.

Kierkegaard was not an atheist.

And I ain't gonna go back to dat church.

SWA

The story is told of two boys that were born in the same hospital. One was born physically perfect in every way, and was the son of a very wealthy man. This boy's father vowed that his son would only see the good in life; the boy would never see suffering, hatred, or anything which was displeasing. As the boy grew, however, he heard stories of the less fortunate; he read of the hatred in the world, and he wondered about it. He began looking for the other side of life, because of his curiosity. He saw a mother punishing her child for a wrong committed, and he determined that hatred must be involved. He saw a doctor giving injections to heal the sick, heard a child cry, and decided the physician was torturing the poor child. He even went so far as to look into the sky at the beautiful white clouds and determine that they must be the smog, the pollution, about which he had read.

The other boy born in that same hospital was born physically deformed. The son of very poor parents, he was forced to live in the slums of a very large city. This child was exposed to the poorer elements continually. He saw very little good in life, but he was certain that it must exist. He began looking for the good in life just as fervently as the wealthy

boy had searched for the bad. He saw the girls on the street corners throwing themselves at every man that passed by, and decided this must be real happiness. He even went so far as to look at the smog in the sky and determine that this must be the clouds about which he had read. Which of the boys had gained a truer, more realistic view of life?

Obviously, neither of the boys had a realistic picture of the world or of life. Both were seeing exactly what they wished to see. While either view is dangerous, I find it easier to identify with the poor, crippled boy. Does that surprise you? I must admit that I was a little surprised at my own reaction. I do not feel, however, that my choice is unique, however; most, if we were honest and thought the issue out would probably concur.

We live in an era in which toleration has become the key word. Rather than offend anyone, we have accepted alternate lifestyles with little arguments. Few would disagree that we are truly becoming a liberal college. This is a result of our "open-mindedness" (let's face it; one of our biggest sources of pride as college students is that we are more broadminded, more tolerant).

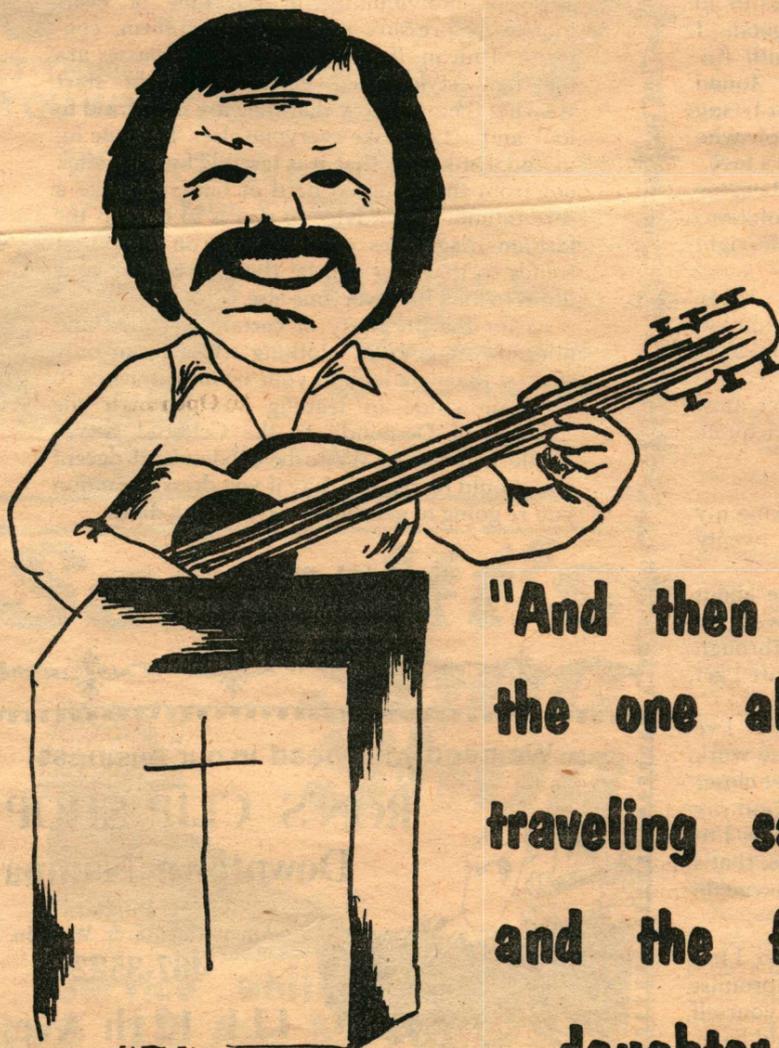
While I do advocate a social

gospel, which involves mingling with the "other half," I do not advocate it at the cost of losing our distinct Christian witness. We must take a stand and let that stand be known! If taking a stand means stepping on some toes, then we must do that. It's sad, but as a result of our "open-mindedness", we have become known for indecisiveness, and are recognized as being "wishy washy." We must be assertive Christians!

If a frog is placed in a dish of lukewarm water, and then that water gradually heated up, the frog will not hop out of that dish. Even though he has the ability with one short hop to get out, he will not; he will remain in that dish until the water is boiling. He will die in that dish, because he was not able to notice a temperature change.

Though the comparison is a rather crude one, the point must be made; like the frog, we are passively sitting around. We are allowing the morals of the secular world, the lifestyles of the secular world to determine the course of the church. Unless we take a definite stand as a Christian, we will lose that Christian experience. Now is the time to make that move. Let's pray that we make it, before the "water gets too hot."

## Pulpit Demeanor--What Next?



**"And then there's the one about the traveling salesman and the farmer's daughter...."**

# Letters to the Editor

## Fun and Games in Chapel

To the Editor:

I don't write "letters to the Editor", in fact I never have, but today I feel something should be said, so I'd like to address an open letter to those of the student body who attended chapel on Friday. I am concerned, to state my case in a nutshell, with the attitude we carry into College Church three times a week. Is it that the building is as familiar to us as a classroom or dorm, that we have forgotten that this building is the House of God?

I was not raised a Nazarene, and from the first I have had a problem worshipping as you do, especially with the applause and loud shouts, but I have learned to accept it because I realize that most of you, in your applause, mean no disrespect or lack of reverence. In fact just the opposite; you mean to have fun in worshipping the Lord. And that's OK--as long as it is still and always for that purpose of worship and fellowship. God doesn't ask of us a pretended piety, and, yes, of course, he is as much God to be loved, worshipped and revered no matter where we are. But I can't help but feel that the church sanctuary should be treated as a special place.

So, boys and girls, perhaps the clapping at inappropriate times, or the noises, or *maybe* even the mice *were* intended as just plain fun (though I doubt the mice thought so) but I feel badly that a well planned, creative, effective chapel, provided for worship and spiritual insight and growth, was turned into a circus. I was disappointed, I hope others were as well. If this makes us seem stuffy and old fashioned, so be it. My God is love, but he is also every bit majesty and not to be taken lightly.

Eileen Leppert

## Chapel Attendance

To the Editor:

We, in the Student Affairs Office, wish to thank the students for the excellent cooperation regarding chapel attendance policies for Term I. We received many positive responses about both the optional days and the recording procedures. The same policies will continue for Term II. Get an early start on your 25 plus!

Barbara Lindley

## Money in the Dungeon

To the Editor:

The basement of the media center might be a fine place to film an episode of Dungeons and Dragons, but it's a lousy place to watch video tapes.

The angle/distance ratio to screen size is uncomfortable. The quality and quantity of seating has been known to be inadequate. Once I could find no better place to sit than a table. Another time, in that darkness, I unknowingly sat down in a chair containing dripped down water.

Do students pay thousands of dollars per year to sit in these conditions?

Yolanda Nicholson

# Sacred and Secular

To the Editor:

I'd like to comment on Len Ridley's "sermon" in Chapel on Friday the ninth. I disagree to some extent on his idea of distinct separation of the secular and the sacred. He makes it sound as if it is wrong for the men and women of God to infiltrate the secular world. Has not God commanded us to be in the world but not of the world? I do not think that he realized there are truly committed Christians in athletics all over the world and even on the Dallas Cowboy football team. It is very unjust to attack these people who are vessels for the Lord by making them sound as if their interest in Christ is for commercial or personal gain. If Len ever took the time to sit down and talk to one of these athletes he may be surprised at how God is working in people's lives on the team and how these players' relationship with God is very real. The true separation of secularism and sacredism is in one's actions and attitudes, not where a person is in physical body. But after hearing Len Ridley speak I had the feeling that all the "real" Christians should unite to one sacred ground or city so we could parade in Christian righteousness for all to see, much as the Pharisees did in their day.

Mr. Ridley also says that "born againism" is a fad that sweeps the country. I say that it is God directing His people to every area and walk of life whether it is in athletics, dentistry, music, television, business, or autosshops. What is so wrong about being excited that Christ is being proclaimed all over the nation? How are God's people to reach others for Christ if they separate themselves so totally in mind and body from people that need to hear about Him? Paul in writing to the Philippians says, "Some indeed preach Christ even from envy and strife but also from good will. The latter do it out of love . . . the former proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition rather than from pure motives. . . . What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or truth, Christ is proclaimed and in this I rejoice--yes I will rejoice." (NASB Phil. 1:15-18)

Kathy Haughey

## Welcome Back!

To the Editor:

An Open Letter to NNC Students:

As the new term begins I want to express a warm welcome to not only you returning students but also to the new students on campus. It's great to have everyone here as we look forward to an outstanding second term.

Events of interest to students are the upcoming Steve Camp concert (January 17) and the Senior Slick (January 31).

In student government we are working on many new ideas and we expect to have a student forum during this term so that you can openly express your concerns, possibly during a chapel hour. I would appreciate any comments, concerns or constructive ideas that you might offer as the year progresses. Have a super term.

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# Thanks So Much!

To the Editor:

We would like to express our gratitude to the many "Friends of Field Hockey" who helped to make our 1980 season such a successful one. The numerous students, faculty and staff who cheered from the sidelines, donated money for our trip to Nationals, helped us hostess our NCWSA Tournament and prayed for our well-being all contributed to our achievements. At times we were almost overwhelmed by your expressions of love and concern. Many, many thanks,

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## Women Stop Ricks Wrestlers Working on Concentration

Playing what Coach Martha Hopkins called, "good, but not great basketball," the NNC women's basketball team dropped a pair of decisions to Division II AIAW opponents and split a pair with Ricks College in a five day period.

The Crusaders downed Ricks 67-64 on Friday and then lost a 63-62 decision to the same team the following night. Both evenings the team was hampered by a noticeable mental letdown that allowed the visitors to run off a string of unanswered points. Monday evening Montana Tech used a tall lineup and the outside shooting of Connie Froke (26 points) to register a 71-67 win. The Crusaders led by six points late in the first half but the Orediggers came up with a 16-5 spurt just before intermission to gain the lead—an edge they never relinquished.

Tuesday evening against Division II Western Montana the Crusaders looked to be outmatched, on paper. For quite a while during the game it appeared that NNC would overcome their physical shortcomings (no less than five Bulldogs to 6-0) as the Crusaders built a 31-30 half-time lead. The height advantage finally showed for Western in the second half, however, and the visitors registered a 69-60 win.

"I felt the girls played well both nights," said Coach Hopkins. "Both Tech and Western are fine shooting clubs as well as being a lot taller. We outrebounded one (Tech) and came close to the other one so I have to be happy with some of our play. We must need to get more aggressive."

Hopkins needs the type of play she saw from postpersonel Betty Seward and Shelley Johnson and guard Kim Cantonwine. Seward and Johnson were each in double figures—scoring and rebounding—in the games against the Montana schools and Cantonwine set a new school record with eight assists in the contest with Western.

Friday evening the team will return to the court with a 6 p.m. contest against Southern Oregon State—a team that leveled the Crusaders by 30 points in last seasons Regionals. Saturday night will see the debut of the 1981 Inland Valley Conference season as NNC hosts the College of Idaho. The Crusaders are the defending IVC Champs and should be in the running for the title again this season. Both games are preliminary events to the men's varsity game at 8 p.m.

By Dave Goins

If the NNC wrestling team is to do well for the rest of this season up through district tournament time in late February, a lot may depend on its mental preparation, according to Crusader coach Mike Powers.

"Wrestling is 93 percent mental, scientists tell us and I believe it. If we can get our wrestlers mentally as well as physically prepared before each meet and keep them from getting intimidated, we'll do okay. The mental aspect is what I'm really working on to get us prepared for the district tournament," said Powers.

Five of the ten wrestlers on this year's Crusader varsity are freshmen. Powers said that inexperience may be a

problem, but that he has seen vast improvement in many of the team members. The Crusaders will be participating this weekend at the nine-team Willamette Invitational

Jim Wheeler is one of the two seniors on this year's squad, who, according to Powers has been plagued with injury problems throughout his college career. Powers, however, expects Wheeler as one of the stronger members of this year's team to show what he can do this year. Wheeler wrestles at 118 pounds.

Glenn Hartman is back as one of the best wrestlers in NNC wrestling history. Hartman walked all over most of his opposition last season on

the way to a 31-5 campaign. He placed third in district competition individually last season as he was pinned by the wrestler who eventually wound up second at nationals. Powers says of the 126-pounder, "He'll (Hartman) go to nationals this year."

Dennis Spinnie is the other senior and has also been injury prone. "He's tough, but he's had bad breaks with his knee problems in the past," Powers says of the 142-pound wrestler. "If he has a good day, though, he'll take it all. He's just that kind of kid."

Sophomore Dean Carlson is the fourth Crusader returnee and wrestles in the 177-pound classification. Carlson placed second earlier this season in both the Eastern Washington

and Pacific tournaments. "No doubt about it," says Powers. "Dean will place in the top two at the district tournament."

The Crusaders upset Pacific University's powerful wrestling team back on December 5. The Crusaders achieved the upset with the help of five freshmen.

Dennis Schultz at 134 pounds leads the quintet of freshmen. Powers says, "I wouldn't be surprised if he placed really well at district. He's been coming on lately." Schultz is a transfer from Grays Harbor Community College in Washington.

Others are 150-pounder Vincent Wurm (a sophomore), Pete Boeckel, Curt Pratt at 167, Scott Gregory at 191 and Freshman Jim Schmidt as the team's heavyweight.



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# Changing Crusaders on New Winning Streak

By Dave Goins

For the NNC basketball team, this season has been a season of changes.

The most evident change happened before the season began. A mass personnel change took place as only two lettermen returned from NNC's 21-9, 1979-80 contingent.

After the Crusaders won six of their first seven games of the new campaign it was beginning to look like old times. But, the team hit a drought during its Christmas road trip and ended up losing five straight.

Last week, after the fifth straight loss, which came at the hands of Western Baptist, coach Terry Layton put four new starters into the line-up. It was a change that the Crusaders evidently needed and they responded with a 71-63 Saturday night victory over Carroll College.

Relying heavily on its fresh starters, NNC defeated Southern Oregon State College 66-62 and Warner Pacific in a controversial 75-67 game this past weekend.

One of the big changes the past few games has been the impressive play of 6-1 freshman guard Dan Tristan. Tristan has definitely caught on to the Crusader system and has shown skill while directing the offense.

Against Southern Oregon State Tristan had 13 points, seven rebounds, five assists and four steals.

Another change that Layton sees is the improved shooting percentage of his team. Against Warner Pacific, the Crusaders shot a red-hot 57

percent in hitting 28 of their 49 attempts. Robert Donaldson led the way with 18 points against Warner Pacific. Darryl Crow added 14, while J.R. Harris had 12 and Tristan 10.

Perhaps the biggest change, however, according to Layton is the confidence factor. And the coach is also quick to point out that the starting line-up is still flexible at this point.

"We're starting to see what people can do. The starting line-up doesn't mean that much. We've been shuffling a lot of people in and out. We're starting to improve our shooting percentage. By playing other people we're getting a better percentage. The guys are starting to get confidence in their abilities," Layton said earlier this week.

Now with a 9-6 season record and 9-5 district mark, the Crusaders will be traveling to Oregon this weekend. NNC will play Oregon Tech, which sports a 7-8 record on Friday and 2-12 Southern Oregon on Saturday.

Layton sees the rest of the season as a long haul, but is optimistic about the team's improvement which should help this weekend.

"We've got quite a few away games. But, we've got a little bit of confidence and that is important. For a while there we were playing not to lose instead of to win. Confidence makes a big difference."

Against Oregon Tech on Friday night, NNC will have to be aware of 6-8 University of San Francisco transfer Neal Rice. Layton views Rice as OIT's best player.

"Everybody thought Oregon Tech would be one of the best teams in the district, but they haven't gotten it together as a team yet," says Layton.

As for Southern Oregon, the Crusaders just defeated them at home and Layton says, "I feel good about playing them down there (Ashland, Ore.)."

Against Southern Oregon, NNC will again have to deal with Henry Turner and Manuel Crump. Turner averages 23.0 ppg. while Crump shoots at a 16.0 ppg. clip.

"If we're 12-5 coming back Sunday we'll be doing well in the district race. As the season comes to a close, we'll be playing a lot of teams with records close to ours. So, winning these games will be important," Layton says.

"Confidence is mainly what we've needed. We've got a lot of good athletes, but we hadn't played as a unit up until the past couple of weeks. We've been working some different combinations and coming closer to where we want to be. We hope our confidence will continue..."



Step to the music...NNC's Curtis Foster is shown here scoring two of his 15 points during the Crusader's, 78-59, Tuesday night win over Eastern Oregon, while an unidentified Mounity appears to be doing a "leg finale." Photo By Doug Warren

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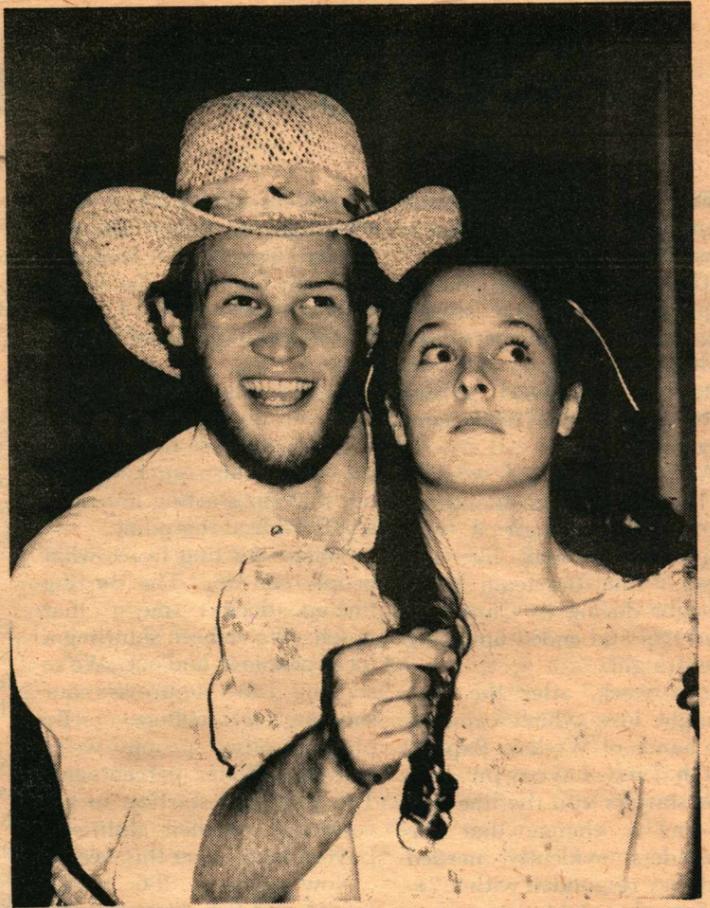
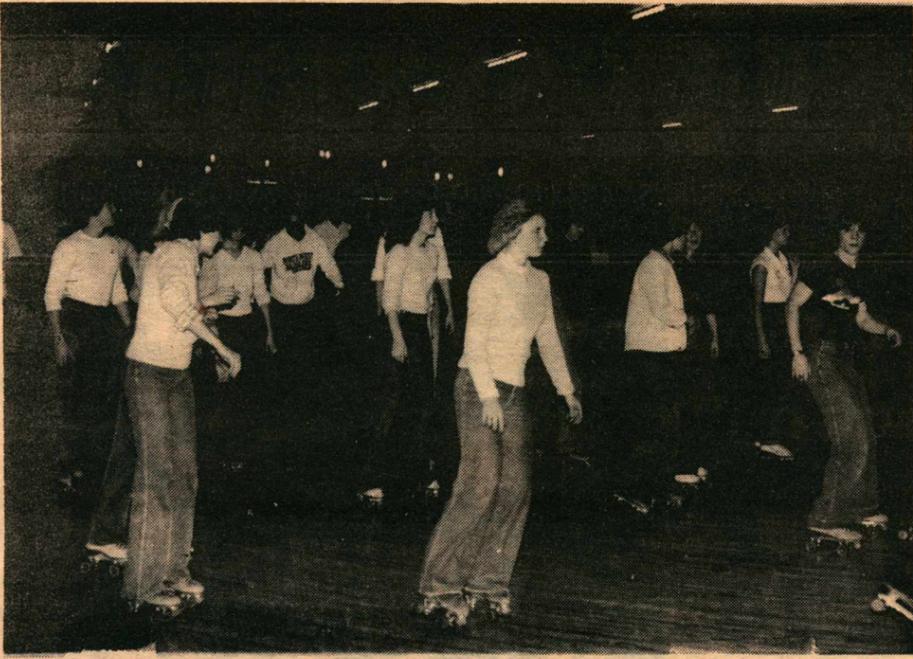
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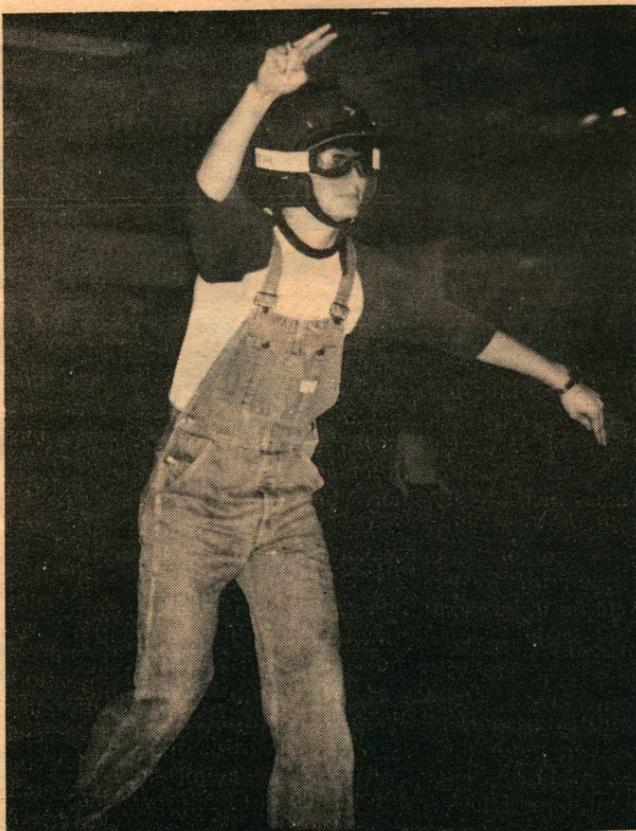
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