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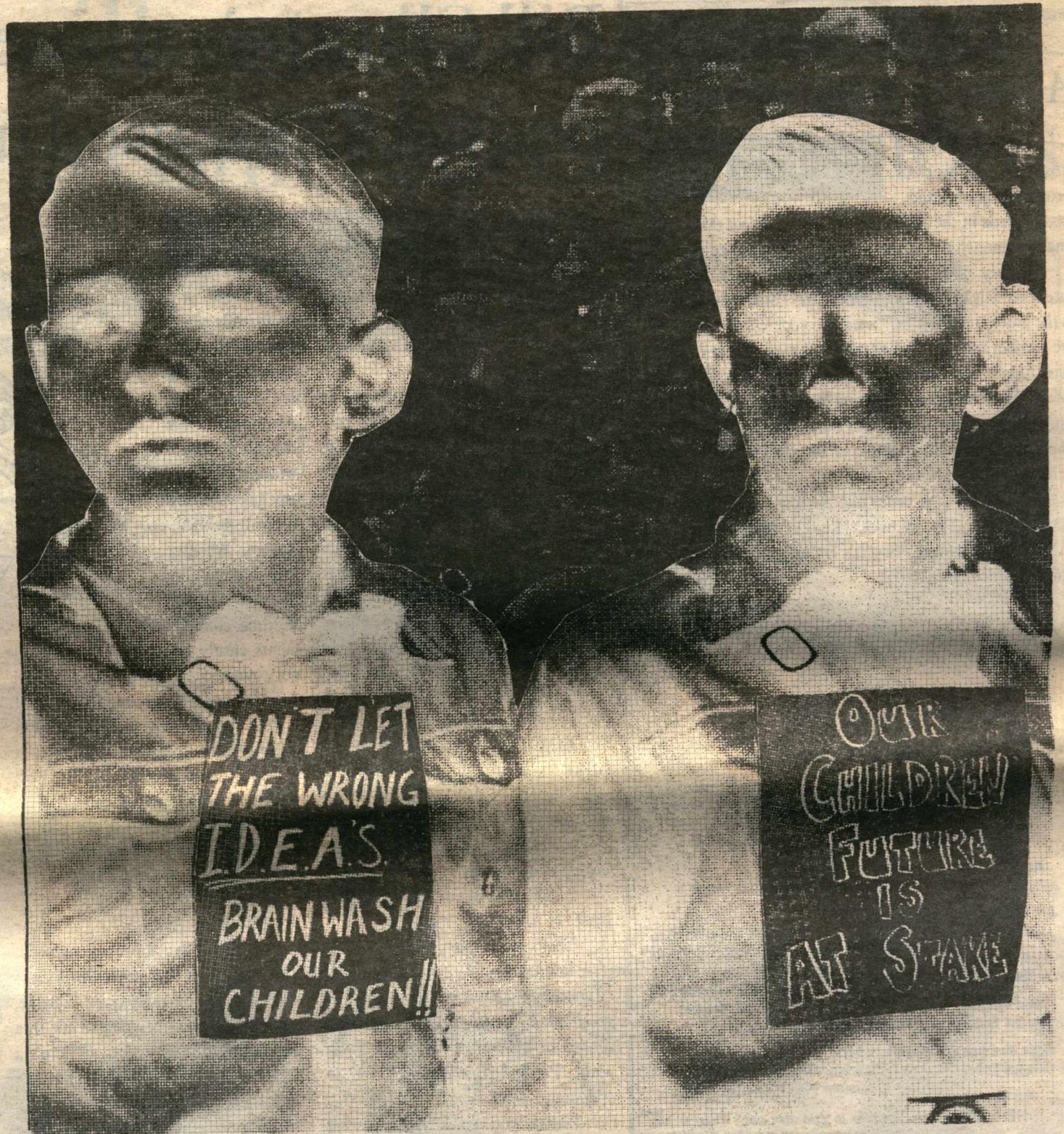
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## SADERS WIN!

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Just for the taste of it

## Alpine minty-fresh mail

Yes, this IS The Crusader. After weeks of computer crashes and

mass hysteria in the Publications Office, we got things running just enough to put out a special Thursday edition.

In other news, I received mail this week from the Care\*Free Sugarless Gum Alpine Mint Total Yodel Contest. As the brochure indicates, "wannabe yodelers can dial a toll-free number and try yodeling their way to an adventure in the Swiss Alps." The number is: 1-800-94ALPINE. The purpose of the contest is to "celebrate the arrival of Alpine Mint, a super cool-tasting flavor from Care\*Free Sugarless Gum. The packet included a sample of this exciting, new flavor. Here's what the staff said:

AUDRA BRYAN: "It tastes like Trident."

TIM BRYANT: "It still tastes like floor wax, though."

CAMRYNNE BEADLES: "It's not as minty as I expected it to be, but it's blue!"

RYAN PITTS: "Carefree? I could care less."

DAVE McEWEN: "It's kind of like a two-hour breath mint."

ME: "It's chewy. Will it fix the computers?"

D. M. BOMAR, MANAGING EDITOR

(P.S. Let me know if you have a spare \$3,000.)

column one

Bill Clinton's amateur tax tip:  
deduct \$2 for used underwear

HUMOR

Today I am announcing the first-ever Amateur Tax Tips Contest, featuring an exciting prize, as well as an opportunity for some lucky winners to serve lengthy terms in federal prison.

The purpose of the Amateur Tax Tips Contest is to provide normal people with practical, real-life answers to their tax questions, as opposed to the complex and vague "advice" we so often see in columns written by the kind of goody-two-shoes money geeks who actually save their receipts and record their mileage and file their tax returns on Jan. 2 and finished their science-fair projects early. I'll give you an example of what I mean.

QUESTION: "How much can I deduct for a business office in my home?"

COMPLEX, VAGUE MONEY-GEEK: "Calculate the size of the office as a percentage of the total living area, then use this figure to compute the pro rata costs of utilities, mortgage interest, taxes and insurance."

PRACTICAL, DOWN-TO-EARTH ANSWER: "\$6,532.87"

That's what we taxpayers want: concrete information. We don't want: "Total your amortized capital depreciation as specified in Schedule C, section 873, subsection VII, verses xii and xiii." We want: "Put down that you lost \$3,832.24 operating a perch farm."

Perhaps you think I am suggesting something dangerous here. Perhaps you do not believe that the Internal Revenue Service (Motto: "We'll Answer The Taxpayer Assistance Hotline When you Pry The Coffee Cup From Our Cold, Dead Fingers") would allow you to take anything so ridiculous as a perch-farm deduction.

Listen: You can deduct anything. People have deducted used underwear. And when I say "people," I of course mean "Bill Clinton." According to news reports, in past years President Clinton deducted as much as \$2 per pair for used underwear that he donated to the Salvation Army, which in turn gave the underwear to some needy individual, who in turn threw it into a Dumpster.

No, really, I'm sure this needy individual wore Mr. Bill Clinton's former

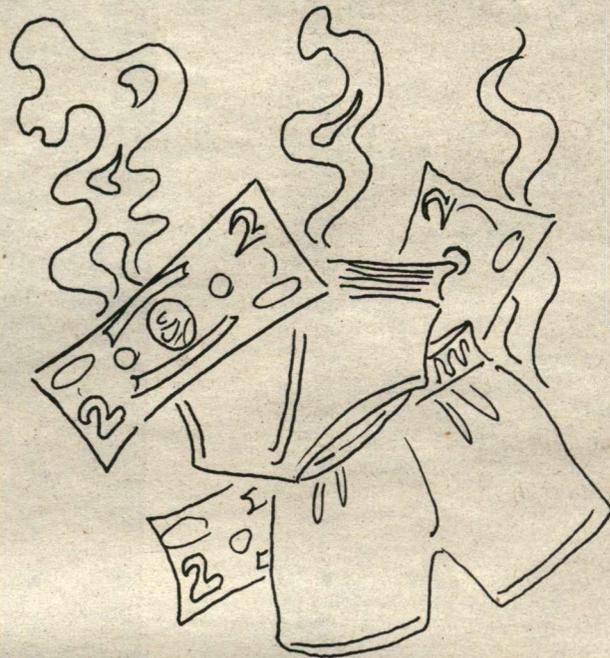
underwear in a profoundly grateful manner. And I applaud Mr. Clinton's generosity. Although I am troubled somewhat by the idea of any guy voluntarily giving up his underwear. Whoever says that guys are unwilling to make lifetime commitments clearly has

not examined the intimate bond that can develop between a guy and his briefs. If a guy's wife secretly throws a veteran pair of his underwear away, the guy will sense that something is wrong, and he'll whistle in a distinctive manner, and his underwear will leap out of the garbage and bound toward him like a loyal retriever. That's how close the guy-underwear bond is.

Call me heartless, but I've never donated my used underwear to anybody. The irony is that I happen to own a set of briefs that are probably quite valuable, inasmuch as they are signed, in ink, by a well-known humor writer. (There's a perfectly innocent explanation, but he's embarrassed about it, so as a courtesy to him I'm not going to reveal his name here.) (Instead, I'll reveal it here: Roy Blount Jr.) I estimate that, for tax-deduction purposes, these briefs are worth \$2,473.02. Notice that I use an exact-sounding number here. That is one of the most important Amateur Tax Tips:

ALWAYS USE AN EXACT-SOUNDING NUMBER WHEN YOU ARE MAKING SOMETHING UP. The Internal Revenue Service goes over tax returns with dogs that are specially trained to bark angrily when they find round numbers. If you HAVE to use a round number for some bizarre reason, such as that it is actually true, you should put a little note in the margin that says "This number is actually true."

ALWAYS "DOUBLE-CHECK" ALL FIGURES. I say this in light of a 1993 Washington Post article concern-



ing a Centreville, Md., man who received a bill from the IRS for -- I am not making this up -- \$68 billion. A lot of careless taxpayers would have simply paid this bill, but this man had the presence of mind to question it, and as a result he will be eligible for parole in just 224 years.

No, seriously, he got it straightened out. The Post article doesn't say exactly how; my guess is that he will be allowed to make two easy payments of \$34 billion. This just goes to show that ordinary taxpayers CAN "beat the system." and you can help them, by sending in YOUR tip to our Amateur Tax Tips Contest. Send in anything that you think might be helpful to other taxpayers, including a photograph of the IRS commissioner naked.

The only restriction is that whatever you send MUST BE ON A POSTAL CARD. Send your card to: Amateur Tax Tips, c/o Judi Smith, Miami Herald, Miami, Fla. 33132. I'll report the best tips just before April 15.

The people who suggested them will receive a handsome mention of their names in this column, as well as a chance to be audited for life. The person who suggests the best tip will receive, at tremendous personal tax-deductible sacrifice to me, a historic literary object that has been valued, in print, at \$2,473.02. I may even wash them first.

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## SADERMANIA

# Saders will return to national tourney as conference champions

► **NNC rides a 13-game winning streak into next week's NAIA tournament; Saders will play on Thursday or capture a first round bye**

BY RICK SKEEN  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

A frenzied crowd at Montgomery Fieldhouse last night was not disappointed as NNC extended its winning streak to 13 on its way to capturing the Cascade Conference Championship 90-76 over Western Oregon State College. The Saders held a slim 39-36 advantage at halftime as the Runnin' Wolves were kept close by Jamie McCarty's 20 first-half points. WOSC hit on 15-of-27 (55.6%) shots from the field in the first half, including 5-of-10 from behind the three-point arc.

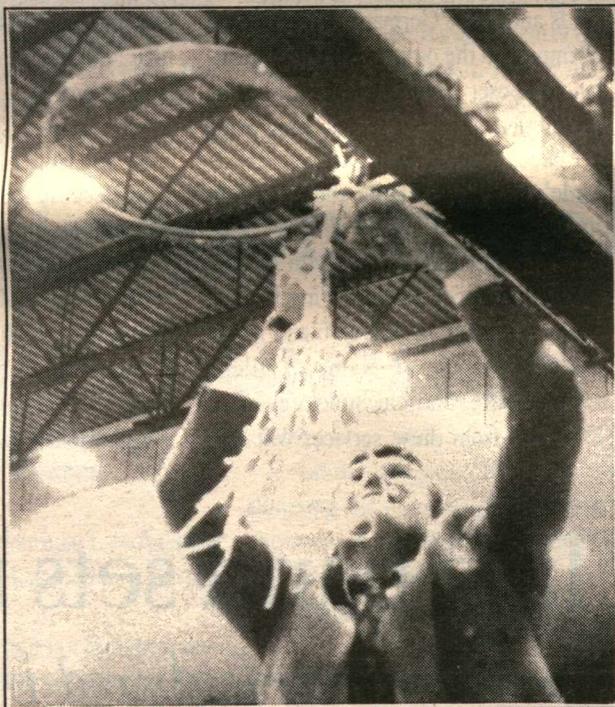
The second half was a different story as NNC changed defenses, not allowing Western to take good looks at the basket. The Runnin' Wolves' shooting dropped to 35.3 percent, as they hit only 4-of-14 three-point shots.

"McCarty killed us in the first half with 20 points," commented assistant coach Rich Sanders. "We went to a zone defense to eliminate their

screens. Ro(lando Garcia) and Todd (Schumacher) did a better job in the second half of getting out to McCarty."

Free-throws were the difference down the stretch for NNC. Overall, the Saders made 30-of-38 free-throws. In the second half they hit 25-of-31 for an 80.6 percent mark.

"Ro and Shel(don McLain) stepped up and hit some big free-throws at the end of the game," noted Sanders. "Ro is a real winner, and he made all the big plays tonight. Since his move back to the point, he has really taken charge of the team and shown lots of leadership."

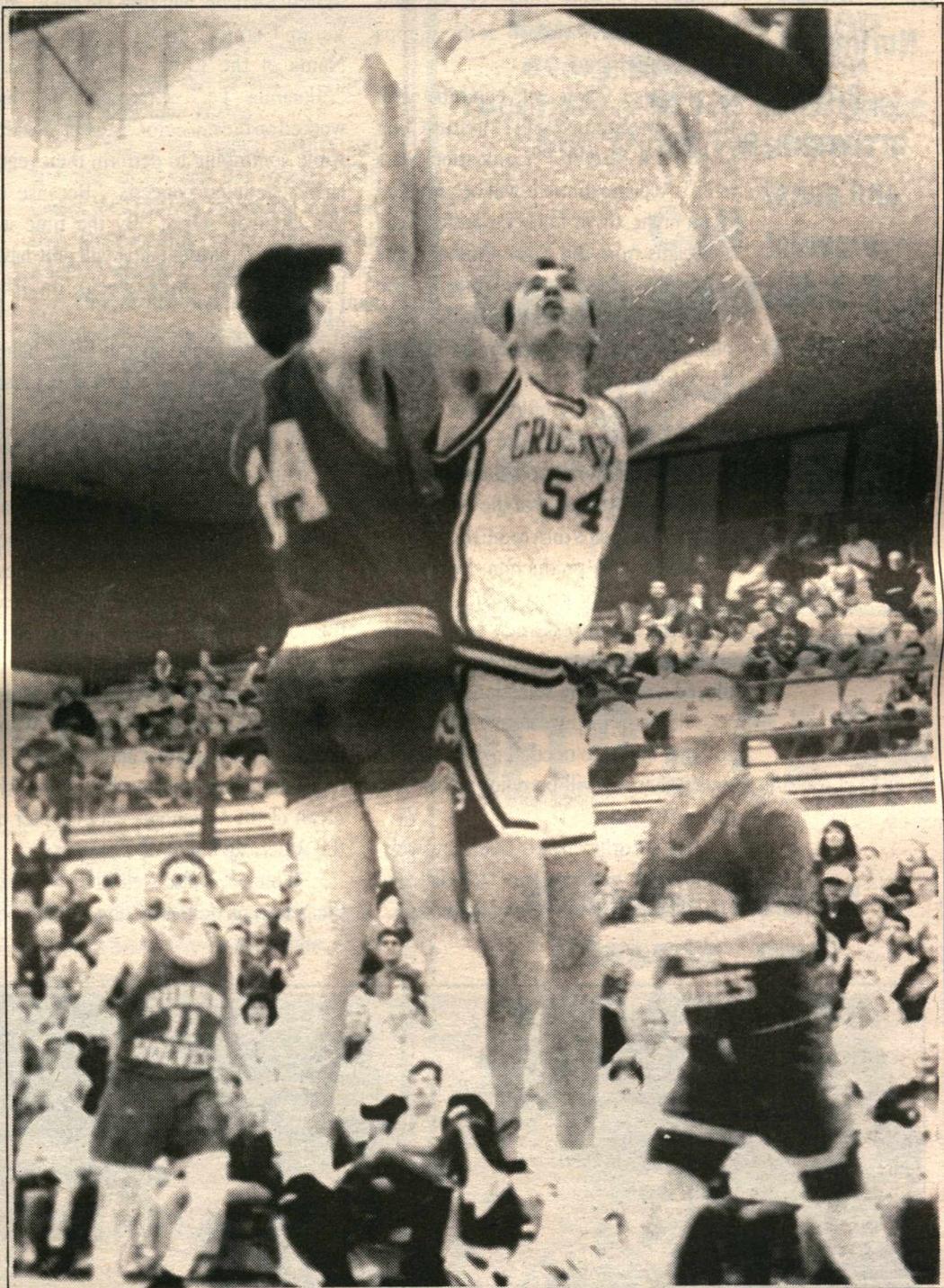


Coach Ed takes a cut at the net after last night's win. (Hoison)

Western Oregon played a very physical game, especially defensively. The referees were allowing lots of holding, reaching, and handchecking. Although the Saders played a more relaxed game in the second half than the first, their frustration was evident -- especially in Eric Spencer's technical foul.

But as Sanders said, "This was a great game to get us ready for the national tournament because it was so physical. The play is much more physical and aggressive during nationals, so this was good preparation for us."

The five starters carried the offen-



NNC's Eric Spencer (right) battles Western Oregon's Eric Fauth for a rebound. (Hoison)

sive load as all five scored in double figures and combined for 79 of the 90 points. Emiko Etete led the team with 21 points and Garcia followed with 19. McLain had 15 points, Schumacher 14, and Spencer 10. McLain and Garcia led the team in rebounding from the guard positions with 9 and 7 respectively. Garcia dished out 7 assists and Emiko Etete

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*Rich Sanders, NNC assistant coach*

**See CHAMPS on Page 14**

## CAMPUS

# Musicians unite for night of Mozart

**College Choir, Crusader Choir, Northwesters, orchestra, and guest organist will perform "Coronation Mass in C" for NNC's production of "Mostly Mozart."**

BY NAOMI BROWN  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Three months of practice and rehearsal will culminate at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, March 7, when the Northwest Nazarene College Music Department presents "Mostly Mozart" at the Nampa Civic Center.

College Choir will combine with the Northwesters and Crusader Choir to perform Mozart's "Coronation Mass in C." Accompaniment will be provided by an orchestra of fourteen professional musicians from the Boise Philharmonic and guest organist Eleanor Whitsett. The combined choirs will be directed by NNC professor and Northwesters director Barry Swanson.

The directors of the three NNC vocal ensembles alternate years to produce a mass choral presentation in the spring and, as director of the Northwesters, Swanson's turn came this year. In addition to this production, Swanson is also preparing for a trip to Carnegie Hall where the Northwesters will perform on Easter Sunday morning. The tour played a role in the selection of Mozart.

"Since Northwesters are going to New York, we needed to perform the music that we will be doing there," explains Swanson.

In "Mostly Mozart," the Northwesters will perform the "Gloria" and "Credo" solos of the "Coronation Mass."

Individuals from this group will also be featured in the "Kyrie," "Benedictus," and "Agnus Dei" solos. The ensemble will also present contemporary English composer John Rutter's "Te Deum."

Crusader Choir, directed by Dr. Marvin Stallcop, will sing Mozart's "Ave Verum Corpus," Bach's "Praise We the Name of the Lord" and Palestrina's "Adoramus Te." Crusader Choir has worked on the music for "Mostly Mozart" while continuing to perform their regularly scheduled concerts. Because of this, Stallcop states, "By the time we present it, Crusader Choir will only have been working three weeks on [the Mozart]."

College choir, on the other hand, has been working on the Mozart music for the entire term.

A special appearance will be made by chairman of the NNC Music Department Michael Bankston who will play the first movement to Mozart's "Clarinet Concerto," accompanied by the orchestra. Bankston has previously performed this piece with the Boise Philharmonic, of which he is principal clarinetist.

Also featured will be guest organist Eleanor Whitsett of Oklahoma. Whitsett is a noted organist and composer of organ and choral music who is currently Dean of the Oklahoma City chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Whitsett is also well-known within the Nazarene denomination. A member



The Northwesters (pictured above) will be featured on solo sections of Mozart's "Coronation Mass." (Nelson)

of Bethany, OK, First Church of the Nazarene, she was organist for Nazarene General Assemblies for over twenty years. Since studying in the Netherlands and West Germany, Whitsett has championed the organ works of Hungarian composer Zsolt Gardonyi. For this production, she will play his "Homage a Marcel Dupre" and Dietrich Buxtehude's "Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne in C-major."

Whitsett will also perform in both morning services at Boise First Church of the Nazarene on March 6 and in the evening service at Nampa College Church of the Nazarene Sunday evening. Offerings from these services will help

defray her expenses.

The Mozart production is one step toward the goal of the NNC Music Department to developing an audience in the Treasure Valley which will recognize NNC as an advocate for fine arts. And according to Swanson, holding the concert at the Civic Center makes it more available for these patrons.

Because the concert is being held off-campus, the Music Department is working to promote it to students. Tickets are only \$4.00 for students and seniors and \$5.00 general admission. Tickets may be purchased at the Civic Center or through the NNC Music Department (467-8413).



He's in the mood Duane Scott rehearses for the Jazz Band's upcoming concert. (Nelson)

## Jazz band sets mood

### New director featured in concert

The NNC Jazz Band will be giving a concert one night only, Saturday, March 5 at 8:00 pm in the Science Lecture Hall.

Along with the original Glenn Miller arrangement of the classic *In The Mood* the band will be playing other great charts such as Chuck Mangione's *Children of Sanchez*, Cole Porter's *You's Be So Nice To Come Home To*, Bill Holcombe's *Grand Central Suite*, and *Tailspin*, a solid rock chart.

Also featured in the concert will be Brad Peters, NNC trumpet instructor and Jazz Band Director.

A native of Wisconsin, Peters started playing the trumpet at age 10 and was playing professionally by age 15. His

teachers have ranged from professional members of the Chicago symphony to Stan Kenton's Big Band.

Peters has also performed with the San Francisco Symphony and San Francisco Opera.

A graduate of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, Peters has been principle trumpet of the Boise Philharmonic since 1992 and will be a featured soloist with the Philharmonic this season.

Tickets for the performance are available at the NNC Bookstore, the NNC Music Department, or at the door. For more information call the Music Department at 8413.

## CAMPUS

# NNC's freshman president snowboards for Grind King

BY BRENDA CLOUGH  
STAFF WRITER

Many of you have probably witnessed the strange site of several freshmen running, jumping and flipping over the furniture in the Student Center. Freshman Andy Pence just considers this practice for the next snowboarding run.

Pence was recently sponsored by HAZMAT, short for Hazardous Material, for his snowboarding talent. HAZMAT

is based in Venice Beach, California, and is also known as Grind King Skateboards.

According to Pence, sponsorship has its benefits. Pence has received a free snowboard, T-shirt, hat and lots of stickers. As part of the deal, he is supposed to

compete in contests for HAZMAT and spread their name around by word of mouth. Eventually, Pence will probably have several promotional photos in magazines.

Pence has been snowboarding for about five years. "I loved to skateboard and this was just a continuation from it,"

**"I crashed all over the rocks. . . I'm surprised I didn't get killed, I could just see my head being can-opened."**

*Andy Pence*

he said. "I could go faster, higher, and you could fall and you didn't get hurt."

Pence spends a good deal of time on the slopes. He worked as a lift operator at Mt. Baker all of last season and claims that Mt. Baker is still his favorite place to

go. Tioga Pass, in California, is where he actually got sponsored. After a full day of snowboarding, Pence and a friend, who rode for HAZMAT, went hiking up to a big jump that a bunch of professional riders were hitting.

"I was going higher, further and spinning more than the others. The owner [of HAZMAT] saw me and said they were looking for up and coming riders. I was so excited," stated Pence.

One of his most memorable runs included dropping off a ten-foot, vertical jump. He claims that because of his speed going into it, he flew thirty feet up and forty feet out before landing.

Pence also tells the story of a not so great run. "I jumped a fence and all there was below me was rocks. I crashed all over the rocks and ripped up my jacket, I'm surprised I didn't get killed." He attributes his safety to his guardian angel.

# Senate sponsors auction to benefit hurricane victims

BY ANNE FRAHM  
STAFF WRITER

NNC's second annual Luv Auction will be held March 4, at 5:30 p.m. during dinner.

The Luv Auction is a Senate sponsored activity held to benefit the Kurt Finkbeiner Memorial Fund which will help victims of the Mexico Hurricane. Lance Nelson, chairman of the event, has worked in cooperation with the Senate to organize the event.

In all 22 students will find themselves being auctioned off Friday night.

The students are (by class): (freshmen) Justin Carr, Karin Fried, Kristi Griffin, Jeremy Jones, Jason Mittelstaedt, Brian Richey, Jennifer Thayer, (sophomores) Patrick Fitzgerald, Justin Marion, Michelle Stephens, Erikka Thompson (juniors) Jamie Calman, Shelly Griffin, Jeremy Hansen, Megan Iwersen, (seniors) Vance Kellogg, Joel Marion, Matt McCaslin, and Jennifer

Petrie.

Local auctioneer Gary Stark will be donating his auctioneering services for the evening, and bids are expected to be at least \$20-25 per person.

A program with the names, lot num-

bins went all out last year sporting slacks, a black leather jacket, and a bow tie to complement his bare chest.

John Cotner, sophomore was also in the Luv Auction last year. "I'd invite people to spend money, it's well worth it."

**"I told them to do anything they can to help raise money, as long as they don't get kicked out of school."**

*Lance Nelson*

bers, majors as well as interests of the students to be auctioned off will be made available during the bidding. The students who will be bid on will be dressed in semi-formal attire, "I told them to do anything they can to help raise money, as long as they don't get kicked out of school," said Nelson.

Former NNC student Mike Rob-

Although the students who are to be auctioned off seem nervous over the fact that they might not be bought, they agree that it

should be fun. To ease the tension, a group date will be held March 5 at 5:45 p.m. Plans for the date include dinner in the North Dining Room and possibly roller skating, a treasure hunt, a movie and ice cream sundaes. Students are encouraged to participate in the auction and help raise the going price of the many "attached" students.

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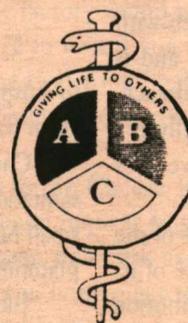
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## CAMPUS

# NNC audience loves Tuna

By DAVE MCEWEN  
OFF-CAMPUS EDITOR

Each year at NNC, the Junior Class appoints a student director to produce a play during second term. This year Micah Montague directed *Greater Tuna*.

The play, a sarcastic yet humorous social commentary, spoke directly to NNC students and faculty. "Tuna is painfully blatant," said Montague, "NNC loved it, it has been one of the best shows that NNC has seen."

*Greater Tuna*, which was originally written in 1983 by veteran actors Jatson Williams, Joe Sears, and Ed Howard, enjoyed a long Broadway run. Since its New York closing, it has also been produced in Seattle and Portland.

The plot of *Tuna* revolves around the activities that occur in the second smallest town in Texas, Tuna, and its only radio station, OKKK.

"With a bigotted and racial community," said Montague, "the play takes a sarcastic look at small town America."

*Greater Tuna* was originally intended for twenty characters to be played by only two actors, who would rush offstage and change clothes between, and sometimes during, scenes. "I was hard pressed to find two actors at NNC who could have pulled it off," said Montague, "so I cast seven actors instead, with two or three parts each."

With so few actors playing so many parts, cross dressing was necessary to make sure that the right characters could

be on stage at the right time. Adam Watkins, a freshman, bore the brunt of this responsibility, having to play a male radio announcer, a frustrated old mother, and a hyperactive chihuahua.

One of *Tuna's* subplots revolves around a woman, Didi Snavely, who owns a used weapons shop. Her husband R.R. is convinced that he has seen unidentified flying mexican food.

"He is sort of a drunk," says Kevin Haydon, playing both roles, "just sort of out of it, and she is just a tough little old lady."

Another critical character is station OKKK announcer Arles Struvie, who is played by Garrett Schmelzenbach. "Arles is a good ol' boy," said Schmelzenbach.



*Greater Tuna's* obtuse company survived censorship to produce a sarcastic social commentary that was, for the most part well-received. For more on the controversy surrounding the play, see editorial on Page 18. (David Church)

# Childreach promotes self betterment

By ERIN SCHMELZENBACH  
STAFF WRITER

In the late 1930's, an organization was formed to help refugees from the Spanish Civil War.

Through the years this humanitarian effort narrowed its focus to feed, clothe, and educate children in developing countries. The program was called Foster Parents Plan, and its aim was to connect concerned individuals in places like Sweden and the U.S. to needy children in places like Nepal and Ecuador.

Today's American branch of Foster Parents Plan is called Childreach, and in February a representative for the program spoke on campus in honor of the new Childreach office in Boise.

Robert C. Sorensen has been with the organization for thirty years and is currently a board member of Childreach. He addressed one of Professor Stellway's classes about the effort to improve lives in the midst of hopelessness.

The statistic is familiar: 20% of the earth's population consumes 80% of its resources. The uneven distribution means lack in more places than there is prosperity.

As Sorensen described, "It is a poverty that is unending...there is a never-ending, grinding futility in the poverty of third world countries -- no welfare, no scholarships, no public schools."

Childreach, along with PLAN In-

ternational, its world-wide affiliate, is attempting to not only ease the poverty struggle, but to stop the downward spiral of third world problems.

The organization's holistic approach uses the money of supporters to benefit individual children and their communities.

Some money meets specific needs for food or clothing while other funds go

**"There is a never-ending, grinding futility in the poverty of third world countries--no welfare, no scholarships, no public schools."**

*Robert Sorensen, Childreach member*

to hospital facilities, schoolhouses, or clean water sources for the community.

Childreach trains a community in sanitation, soil conservation, nutrition, small business management, and family planning.

Ideally, disease, overpopulation, and environmental degradation can be curbed and controlled, the living standard will increase, and Childreach's help will no longer be needed.

Sorensen called this self-betterment "empowerment" --giving poor communities the means and techniques to promote their own prosperity.

"We just want to help people achieve their potential so they can teach their children and others."

Childreach uses as few workers from developed countries as possible. Often the only "foreigner" is the head of the PLAN field office, and in many countries the PLAN employee is a native as well.

The change begins with one child.

The program seeks children with high potential to give back to their country later.

"We want to preserve the families...we want to be sure the family really needs [the help]...and we

want to be sure that they will carry through what we seek to accomplish," commented Sorensen.

Thus, Childreach looks for the neediest families with children still young, and therefore better able to learn basic literacy or empowering skills.

Sponsors are able to sustain one child on about twenty-five dollars a month. Childreach keeps donors informed on "their child's" progress and provides photos, and letters can be exchanged through translators.

"The children love picture post-cards!" Sorensen remarked. The chil-

dren can also send drawings or paintings to their sponsor.

The income for Childreach and PLAN International is over ninety-five percent private donations-- as few government grants as possible. In addition, the organization is completely non-secular.

"A lot of religious people believe in us just for that reason," stated Sorensen. Childreach does not push any religious doctrine, but works within the framework of existing religious and political systems.

At this time, there are nine countries supporting PLAN. The money goes to thirty-two developing countries, and supports 700,000 children around the world. The newest field of need is Eastern Europe, where PLAN has established itself in Albania.

There are currently more than two hundred in Idaho sponsoring children with the program. Childreach opened an office in Boise this January to find more who want to help.

At present, the office is at 350 North Ninth Street, Suite 304, Boise, 83072. Executive director is Barbara Leinberger, and the number there is 389-1011.

"One doesn't get rich in public service, but one gets rich in satisfaction," Sorensen told college sociology students.

"We are absolutely convinced that these are God's children," concluded Sorensen.

**"One doesn't get rich in public service, but one gets rich in satisfaction. We are absolutely convinced that these are God's children."**

*Robert C. Sorensen, Childreach board member*

## THE SMELLS OF NAMPA

# Swiss cheese factory ranks high

**This is the first of a series of features in a series called The Smells of Nampa, which will take the readers on an olfactory tour of the various putrid industries in our great city.**

BY ANNE FRAHM  
AND BRENDA CLOUGH  
STAFF WRITERS

Cheese! It just makes it taste better.

At approximately 12:30, we climbed into "Brenda's Beast" to begin our not so happy journey to the Swiss Village Cheese Factory. Our mission, which we regrettably accepted, was to sniff out the rumored smells of the factory.

As we approached the factory, we proceeded to roll down the windows in order to catch a full whiff of the supposed stench. We were greeted with nothing. Nada. Zippola. No smell. The only smell present was that of the cows in the nearby pasture.

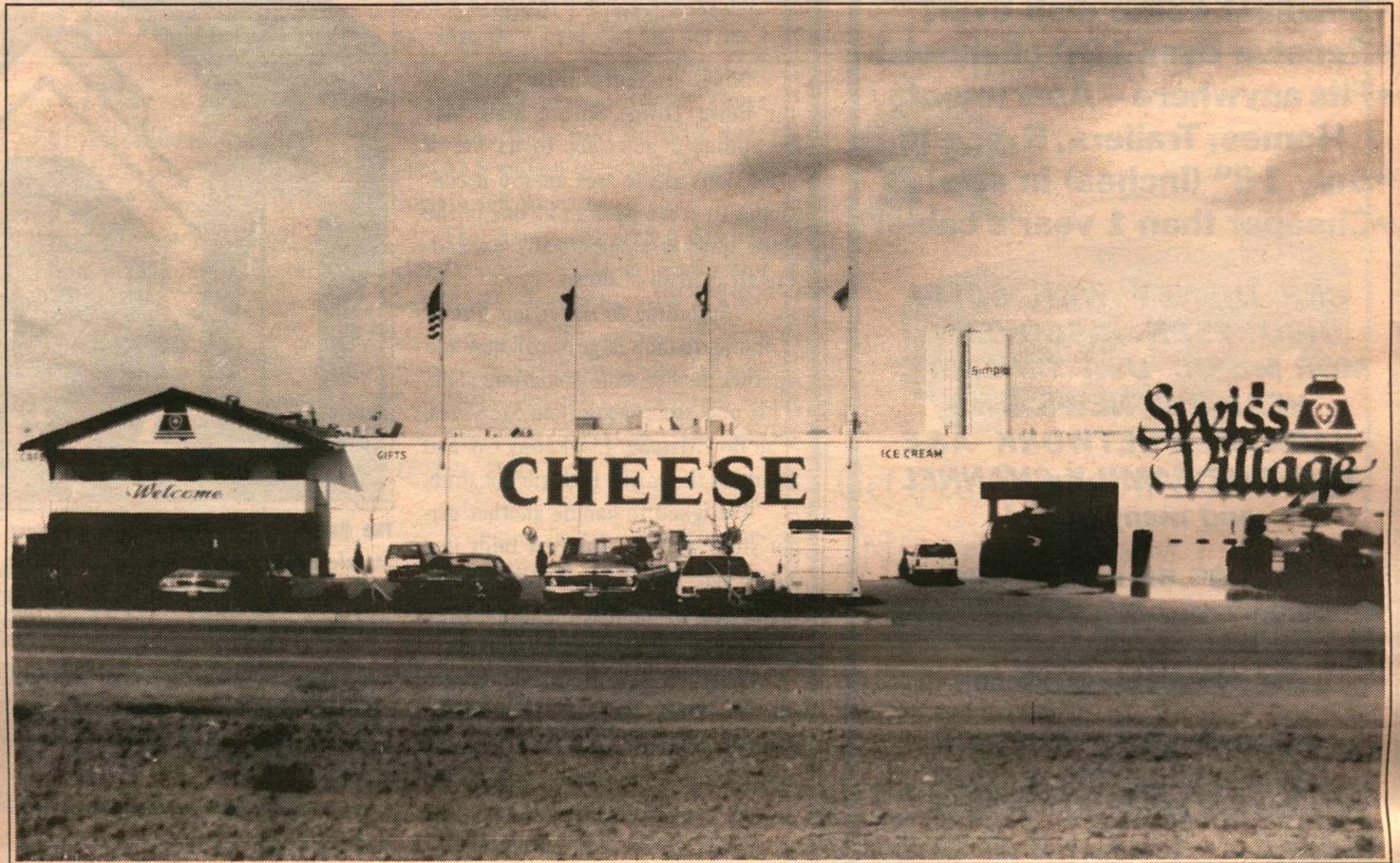
The Cheese Factory must be the new "hot spot" for lunch in Nampa, considering the number of cars which filled the parking lot as we pulled in.

We decided before giving up on our quest to question a few employees on their view of the smell. We also figured that we could get a few samples in the process.

Upon entering, we were greeted with the overwhelming scent of Cheese Eau De Toilette, or in simple terms, rotted milk mixed with live cultures.

As soon as our gag reflexes had been exhausted, we decided to try some of the many cheese samples available to us. We strategically positioned ourselves as far away from the goat cheese as possible, and made ourselves at home.

After eating some cajun cheese Brenda decided that it was time to move on and that she wouldn't be eating any more, especially before a date. Deadly aftertaste should be a required nutritional fact on this particular cheese.



The Swiss Cheese Factory is first on the list for the "Smells of Nampa" series. (Nelson)

Other tasty treats which can be found in the factory include: blue cheese crumbles (which alone would explain the smell), cheese on a stick, and Idaho trout fries. Yummy in your tummy (speaking of cheese).

A few inquires of the cheese baggers at the front counter led us to the main office upstairs. We were met by an "interesting" woman, who really didn't know much about anything.

**[The smell] caused Anne to throw up the previously mentioned cheese samples. Anne then proclaimed, "I think we found the smell."**

But then again, this was only her first week out of the sack and wrap line.

She denied the fact that she had smelled anything bad, and in fact found it to be a "nice smell." Without success, we tried to pry an honest answer from the lady. Our trip would have been over if not for the eavesdropping of a fellow employee.

The eavesdropping employee was quick to comment that she didn't

want to lose her job, but she told us if we drove half a mile down the road we would definitely find the smell we were looking for. She referred to the source as the "Lagoon."

We found ourselves back in the "Beast" and proceeded on our off-road expedition along a canal bank to the grove of trees which we suspected surrounded the "Lagoon".

Before reaching the trees, our suspicions were confirmed by the enormous stench that hit us. The smell somewhat resembled the litter box after your cat has eaten rotten fish. As you can see, the smell was not pleasant, and caused Anne to throw up the previously mentioned

cheese samples. Anne then proclaimed, "I think we found the smell."

Behind the trees were two waste water ponds, one which looked as if it wasn't in use anymore. The surface of the pond was covered with a whitish, orange and green crust.

We began to wonder if there was anything below the crust, and decided that it would be better to throw

rocks in rather than touch it ourselves.

Brenda proceeded to throw a rock into the middle of the pond, which resulted in a substance resembling mashed cottage cheese flying everywhere.

"That was kind of fun," said Brenda, so we decided to stay awhile and see who could get the biggest splash out of the "Lagoon."

After looking over the new waste water pond which also carried a nice stench, we decided to make our way back to NNC.

So far, the Swiss Village Cheese Factory rates fairly high on the smell scale. The factory would be an interesting place to visit if you are feeling like getting away from finals, or if you need a unique place to take a date for dinner.

Maps to the Cheese Factory are available upon request from either of us, but please, don't ask us to personally show you how to get there. One trip lasts a lifetime, and we need to save our noses for future trips to the Sugar Beet and Armour factories.

Be sure to tune in next week as our dashing duo takes a tour of the Sugar Beet Factory in *The Smells Of Nampa*.

**Blue cheese crumbles, cheese on a stick, and Idaho trout fries are available at the Swiss Cheese Factory.**

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## BOISE

# New store for Towne Square

By DAVE MCEWEN  
OFF-CAMPUS EDITOR

NNC students Boise hangout, the Boise Towne Square Mall, may be adding a new face to its list of attractions as the area around it continues to prove itself to be one of the most quickly commercially expanding areas in all of Boise.

According to the Idaho Press-Tribune, Idaho's largest mall may add another anchor store sometime soon. This new store would join Mervyn's, The Bon Marche, J.C. Penny Co. and Sears, as the mall's fifth anchor store.

Designed to handle another major store when it was first built five years ago, the Boise Towne Square Mall can accommodate another large store near its north side entrance.

Another large department store for the Boise Mall would mean an extended building project, but would also mean a significant increase in mall revenue and number of visitors.

Mall officials are waiting to hear from the city of Boise as to whether or



The Boise Mall, already the biggest and most visited mall in Idaho, is planning to expand. Another anchor store on the mall's north side will join Mervyn's, J.C. Penny Co., The Bon Marche, and Sears as the mall's fifth such department store. (Nelson)

not vacant land on the mall's north side may be rezoned from residential to commercial and used for the construction.

The identity of the new store is still unknown, but three major chains have been identified by the Idaho

Statesman as possible additions: ZCMI, a chain based in Salt Lake City, Dillard Department Stores of Little Rock, Ark., and Chicago's Montgomery Ward and Co.

Source: The Idaho Statesman

## ENTERTAINMENT

# Indoor drag-racing in Boise

By TREVOR WELLS  
STAFF WRITER

Do you remember the little cute train set that you wanted for Christmas, or those remote control cars that intrigued you to no end? Well dream no longer because the excitement of slot car scale model racing has come to Boise.

Jeff Weiss and his son Thomas have opened a business that they call "Slot Car City."

"Slot Car City" is a place where you can find all the joys of slot car racing under one roof. At Slot Car City they sell cars, remote car controllers, and have organized races every night.

"I was looking for a business that was enjoyable," said [Jeff] Weiss, "This was a hobby for my son and I, and now it has turned into a job."

At Slot Car City they race any style of slot car available and feature five race tracks that are used for prac-

tice and competition.

The first track is the basic drag strip, complete with starting lights and a net at the end of the runway.

The second is an oval track that is used for sprint car racing. Loaner Cars are available for use on this track. The track resembles that of an Indy 500 race oval.

The third is an 85 foot H.O. race track that features cars that are 187 scale. It is a Tyco style race track that incorporates sharp turns and long straight sections to enhance driving ability.

The fourth track is the 155 foot "King Cobra." Some of the fastest cars can travel up to 120 miles per hour, and have a lap time of less than 2 seconds on this track. This track races cars that are 124 scale, and can handle up to 6 cars at one time.

The last track is a 125 foot "Odesa Hill Climber." This track has steep, sharp grades as well as sections that actually run up and down the walls.

All of the tracks are completely computerized. An available computer measures such things as total laps, latest laps, estimated times, and miles per hour.

"Some people approach this as a sport and some as a hobby," said Weiss. "It's what ever their preference is."

A starter kit for a slot car is \$60, and can range up to \$200 for the car which has a top speed of 120 miles per hour. At Slot Car City an hour of track time costs \$5. Slot Car City also has races every night and the entry fee is \$7, which includes 30 minutes of warm up time and 45 minutes of race time. Visitors are welcome, whether they are pros or first timers, to come out and try a few laps.

"At Slot Car City there is a family atmosphere," stated Jeff, "Parents can feel comfortable dropping off their kids."

Slot Car City is located in Boise on 7121 Overland road, next to Deseret Bookstore.

## WORLD

# CIA Informant arrested

**Virginia man Aldrich Ames charged with selling government secrets to the Soviet and Russian agencies since 1985**

BY DAVE McEWEN  
OFF-CAMPUS EDITOR

Veteran CIA officer Aldrich Ames and his wife have been charged with spying for the Soviets and Russians. Ames, 52, and his wife Maria, 41, were charged with conspiracy to commit espionage and are being held without bail until a hearing on Friday. The maximum sentence that each could receive is life in prison.

According to USA Today, both are accused of giving "classified CIA operations and classified CIA human assets" to the Soviet KGB and its Russian successor. CIA authorities suspect that the "leaked" information could have been responsible for the deaths of U.S. intelligence contacts in the former East Bloc Nations.

CIA officials began to suspect a "mole" in 1985, when U.S. intelligence contacts began to interfere, but Ames was not a suspect until 1991, when the CIA and FBI began a cooperative investigation.

FBI agents found what may have been the final piece of evidence in Ames' trash. A worn out ribbon from a computer printer was found by an agent who was rummaging through Ames' garbage.

Three days after finding the tell-tale computer ribbon, the FBI raided Ames' house and copied his home computer disks. One such disk contained a memo to the SVRR, the agency that succeeded the KGB.

Ames had been using an elaborate system of signals and drops to communicate with his Russian contacts. He marked a special mailbox with chalk when he wanted to alert one of his contacts to a meeting. The mailbox was conveniently located along the route that the workers travel on their way to the Russian embassy. Ames also used classified ads in The Washington Times to alert and communicate with his contacts.

It was the couple's extravagant lifestyle that tipped off the investigators. The Ames, on \$65,000 a year,

have a \$540,000 home and a '92 Jaguar that they paid \$25,000 for as a down payment. The monthly payments for this car exceed \$400. These were apparently paid for with more than \$1.5 million in payoffs from the Soviets and Russians.

The Ames also own a \$20,000 Honda, and \$165,00 in stocks and bonds. The family has paid \$29,800 in telephone bills during the past three years, \$45,000 in credit card bills from 1985 to 1993, and \$25,000 for tuition at Georgetown University from 1990 to 1993.

Ames evidently set up an elaborate system of secret Swiss bank accounts and flew to foreign locations -- Bogota, Columbia, and Caracas, Venezuela -- to rendezvous with his handlers.

This case has come along during a critical time for Russian president Boris Yeltsin, who is currently trying to raise billions in foreign aid.

"This is a timely reminder that the Cold war is not the end of espionage," said Georgetown University intelligence expert Roy Godson.

Source: USA Today

## EDUCATION

# Home school threatened

**Proposed ammendment calls for state certification of all educators**

BY DAVE McEWEN  
OFF-CAMPUS EDITOR

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act will be voted on in the U.S. House of Representatives on Wednesday. An ammendment to this bill proposed by California Democrat Congressman George Miller has stirred up contrevsry in the Idaho area.

This ammendment would require all private and home teachers to go through the same certification process as current public school teachers. According to speakers at the rally, this may severely diminish the numbers of homeschool and private school

teachers.

Perhaps as many as 2,000 families in Idaho are involved in homeschooling at this time.

Approximately 500 local residents showed up at the Statehouse rotunda to voice their opposition to the ammendment. The ammendment was originally drafted to improve the quality of nationwide education, but may result in many scholastically advanced homeschooled children being placed in scholastically inferior public schools.

Res Peters, state director of testing for the Idaho Coalition of Home Educators, told the Idaho Statesman, "This bill...will force home educated

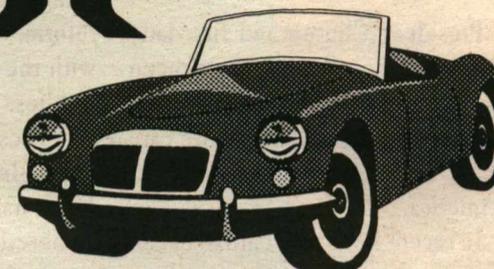
and private school students with proven academic superiority into a system which provides academic mediocrity. It's mandating that you be credentialed in everything you teach. . . No teacher is licensed to teach everything."

The Capitol Building rally featured many speakers that urged those present and others watching on television to contact their congressmen and oppose the ammendment.

Students of homeschooling also presented their opinions. "We learn as much, if not more, than public school educated students," said seventeen year old Autumn Strouse, a student who has been homeschooled for five years.

Source: The Idaho Statesman

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## NATION

# Clintons promote health care plan

## ► President and First Lady tour rural America promoting National Health Care to senior citizens

BY KONA LEW  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

President Clinton and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton have been traveling across the country to promote the Clinton national health care package to the senior citizens and rural America.

In recent news, the Christian Coalition has endorsed a \$1.4 million campaign to oppose the Clinton health care plan. Ralph Reed, executive director of the coalition, fears the health reform as with "a bureaucratic...nightmare that has no precursor in the American experience."

President Clinton contends that the health care system is in a state of crisis. The debate is whether there is a crisis present.

A CNN Time Poll taken on February 12 found 43 percent of Americans think there is a crisis, where 51 percent label it a problem. A Harvard

University study showed that millions of Americans are not aware of what Congress is planning for health care reform. Those individuals familiar with the reform are unsure of what it implies.

President Clinton and Senate GOP leader Bob Dole have fiercely debated over the term crisis, as have many doctors nationwide. Some find the present health care plan ideal with some minor problems, and others are concerned with those who do not have health insurance and feel many people are experiencing a crisis.

According to the Congressional Budget Office, the reform would raise the federal deficit by \$74 billion over the next six years and not cut it by \$58

billion as planned. Between 1995 and 2004, the federal deficit would increase a total of \$126 billion.

Robert D. Reischauer, CBO Director, state that plan would probably reduce the deficit after 2004. He conclude that the health reform should be considered as a part of the federal budget because the government will pay large subsidies and the insurance

care plan will be an expansion of the private health insurance system, and the funds for the premiums will be paid by private employers.

Reischauer contends that the health care plan will not cover every American by 1998 without any new taxes, though Clinton has presented the plan as a means to improve the \$4 trillion deficit.

In February, Mrs. Clinton had traveled to the rural Mid-west with four members of Congress. They listened to the concerns of several doctors, nurses, farmers, small town business owners, and Indian leaders. Many expressed their views on the steady climb of insurance costs, decrease of funds, and fewer health care providers.

She expressed her opinion of the situation, "We could not design a system more complicated than the one we currently have. We could not create a system that deliberately eliminated people more effectively than the one we already have."

Source: The Idaho Statesman

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*Hillary Rodham Clinton*

premiums will be mandatory. Plus the regional health insurance groups will act as federal government agents.

Clinton disputes Reischauer's assertion. He argues that the health

# Air force proposes Idaho training range

## ► 25,000 acre south-western Idaho area would be used for dropping non-explosive training bombs

BY JASON ALVIS  
STAFF WRITER

Mountain Home Air Force Base is home to the 366th Wing, the Air Forces' only air intervention composite wing. The wing combines F-15C Eagles, F-15E Strike Eagles, F-16C Fighting Falcons and B-52G Stratofortresses with the support of KC-135R Stratotankers to form a single, cohesive aerial strike force.

Because of the intensity and importance of the 366th Wing, MHAFB has proposed a Training Range that would be made up of two target areas totaling 25,000 acres. The acreage would be used for dropping non-explosive training bombs.

The proposed land is in South-western Idaho, including the current training range, Saylor Creek. The land for the range would be consolidated from existing state land,

a land exchange between the state and the Bureau of Land Management, and a few private purchases. The airspace in the desired locations is already designated as a military operations area, and has been used by MHAFB for more than thirty years. Because the land is being exchanged, there will be minimal if not nonexistent cost to the public.

The Air Force lists the major reasons for the necessity of the training range in three categories: realism, flexibility, and efficiency.

**Realism**- the training range would provide the aircrews with current simulations of complex, modern battlefields. Aircrews must be able to cope with the pace and confusion of today's fighting styles before their lives are (truly) threatened.

**Flexibility**- Altering the targets is imperative for the 366th Wing because of its diverse aircrafts.

Changing conditions and targets would also keep aircrews from becoming overly familiar with the enemy's defenses, routes, and tactics.

**Efficiency**- Currently, the aircrews are flying to training ranges in Utah and Nevada for "graduate level" flying. Requiring these crews to fly such distances limits actual training time.

Concerns for the environment, economy and employment have been voiced through letters or public hearings that began in January. The Public Comment Period ended February 9. This is part of a policy required by the National Environmental Policy Act. Federal agencies considered the environmental consequences in their decision making process.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement has been released, the result of a two and half year Environmental Impact Study. The final Environmental Impact Statement will be released April 1, and the Record of Decision will be made on May 9. The

Record of Decision will then be given to the Secretary of the Air Force and the Secretary of the Interior.

Comments about increased air traffic and proper land management have been released. Overflight and noise levels would increase slightly around the proposed Idaho Training Range, but would decrease around the Saylor Creek Range. An increase of roughly three aircraft per flying day is also expected.

The range management plan would establish managing practices for the lands making up the range. Specific resource issues such as recreation, vegetation, wildlife, and access will be discussed.

The State of Idaho is responsible for developing the plan, with participation from the Idaho Military Division, and the Idaho Air National Guard. The BLM, 366th Wing, and Owyhee County will also offer assistance. If the range is developed, the respective organizations are committed to properly managing the land and complying with regulations.

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## ECONOMY

# U.S. downs four Serb planes

**Bosnian Serbs violate United Nations no-fly zone, engage unsuccessfully with U.S. F-16s**

BY DAVE MCEWEN  
OFF-CAMPUS EDITOR

Four of six Serbian planes that had violated a United Nations no-fly zone were shot down as they tried to bomb a Bosnia munitions factory.

Two U.S. F-16 fighters engaged the Serb planes after the Yugoslav-built Soko G-4 Super Galeb attack fighters failed to respond to a request that they either engage or land.

The no-fly zone, which was declared in October of 1992, has been peaceful until now. The incident also

marked the first NATO military action in the alliance's 44-year history.

Bosnian Serbs have withdrawn their artillery from the Sarajevo area under threat of NATO air strikes, but the report of Serb sniper fire in and around the besieged city has reportedly increased.

According to the Idaho Press-Tribune, Adm. Jeremy Boorda, the U.S. officer who commands NATO's southern front, said the American pilots saw the Serb planes "make a bombing maneuver" and then witnessed explosions on the

ground.

Three of the Serb planes were shot down by one American plane that used air-to-air missiles, and the fourth was shot down by another. Two of the Serb planes escaped by flying out of Bosnian airspace. Two other F-16s were involved, but did not fire on the Serbs.

No pilots were seen bailing out of the Serb planes, which did not return fire on the Americans. The U.S. planes were based out of Aviano Air Base in northern Italy.

Bosnian Serb officials denied that the planes were ever in the air.

Source: The Idaho Press Tribune

## ECONOMY

# Trade war with Japan?

*United States to begin trade sanctions against*

BY KONA LEW  
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The United States accuses Japan of violating a cellular phone trade agreement, and plans to begin trade sanctions against Tokyo.

Earlier in the week, Japan's Chief government spokesman, Masayoshi Takemura said Japan will study its options and wait for the U.S. to decide on sanctions supporting a trade war.

Mickey Kantor, U.S. Trade Representative, stated that Japan has not lived up to its 1989 contract to open its cellular phone market to the U.S.-based company Motorola.

Motorola argues that they have lost an estimated \$250 million to \$300 million per year in capital. The U.S. cellular company has been paired with its rival—a company branch of Nippon Telegraphs and Telephone, the telecommunications giant of Japan which is also located in a southern region of Japan.

According to Shinji Kimura, a spokesman for Nippon Motorola, the company hopes the Japanese government will find means to avoid a U.S. trade war.

On February 13, President Clinton and Prime Minister Morihiro

Hosokawa met to discuss measures to solve the alleged violation. Hosokawa returned to Japan to work with his cabinet to devise a plan to avoid trade sanctions.

If the Japanese yen continues to climb, the country will not be able to improve the quality of its economy.

**From January to November 1993, the U.S. received \$97.70 billion in Japanese imports and only shipped \$43.69 billion in exports to Japan, which leaves the U.S. with a \$54.01 billion deficit.**

Japan will have difficulty making a profit on exported goods, because the value of the yen will make Japanese products more expensive overseas.

As of February 18, the Idaho Statesman stated that Hosokawa and top trade negotiators would focus on four areas to avoid a U.S. trade war: (1) promotion of imports and foreign investment, (2) deregulation, (3) tougher anti-monopoly enforcement, and (4) fairer government purchasing.

Washington has threatened to reduce the trade imbalance between the two countries; from Jan. to Nov. 1993, the U.S. had \$97.70 billion in Japanese imports and only \$43.69 billion in exports to Japan, which leaves the U.S. with a \$54.01 billion deficit.

Walter F. Mondale, U.S. Ambassador to Japan, stated, "We cannot sustain these current account imbalances...what we want is an open market, what they have now is a closed market."

Japan wants to send a delegate to present the four areas in a trade package to the U.S. once it is organized. The Japanese government is most concerned with the possible significant economic damage with a U.S. trade war.

"We ought to deal with specific issues in an objective manner," explained Koichi Matsuura, a deputy foreign minister. "We should not handle trade issues sensationally (pointing to the cellular phone dispute)."

Source: Idaho Statesman

## BRIEFLY

## Addictive cigarettes

The FDA said Monday that it has collected evidence to support claims that tobacco companies deliberately maintain the level of nicotine in cigarettes at addictive levels. If this data is confirmed, the finding could provide a legal basis for the agency's regulation of cigarettes as a drug, according to FDA Commissioner Kessler.

the nation

## Branch Davidians acquitted

A jury in San Antonio acquitted 11 Branch Davidian cult members of murder, rejecting claims that they ambushed federal agents. Five were convicted of voluntary manslaughter. Saturday's verdict came almost a year after a botched raid by government agents that left four agents and six cultists dead. Earlier in the week Janet Reno issued a statement that accusations of child abuse and maltreatment by members of the sect may have been unfounded.

## Russian officer expelled

The U.S. expelled Russia's top intelligence officer, Alexander Lysenko, amid an unfolding spy scandal involving top U.S. and Russian intelligence officials, after Moscow refused to withdraw him voluntarily. Moscow retaliated to the expulsion of Lysenko on Monday with the expulsion of the top CIA official from the U.S. embassy in Moscow. Late Monday Washington issued a strong response to the expulsion, stating it had little to do with the CIA spycase.

the world

## 39 die in Hebron massacre

The Friday massacre in Hebron that left 39 Palestinians dead has led to a rapid breakdown in middle east peace talks. The Israeli cabinet ordered the arrest of five leaders of a Jewish extremist group and said that it would begin disarming radical settlers, but refused the PLO's demand to disarm all settlers on the bank, calling it unnecessarily extreme. The action came as violent confrontations broke out in the aftermath of Jewish settler Dr. Baruch Goldstein's attack on a Palestinian mosque. At least 20 people have been killed in the rioting. The Israeli cabinet also moved to set up a panel to investigate the conduct of the Israeli army during the massacre. PLO leader Arafat accused Israeli soldiers of helping the assailant, and said witnesses reported the killings were the work of as many as 12 men.

## Muslim Croatian truce shaky

A Muslim Croat truce appeared extremely shaky in Bosnia, as shell fire and skirmishes were heard in the streets early Sunday, causing the U.N. commander to request more peace-keeping troops to enforce the cease fire. Muslim and Croat officials opened peace talks Saturday in Washington.

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## COVER STORY

## S C H O O L Y A R D



BY WENDY WHITE  
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Mark Twain illuminated his distrust for public opinion and its sometimes adverse effects on society when he said, "Loyalty to petrified opinion never yet broke a chain or freed a human soul."

In hundreds of communities, petrified parent and community groups are thwarting educators in their efforts to make needed changes within the schools. These parents and groups see schools and educators as adversaries to their religious beliefs and values. In fact, some parents contend that it is the middle school that turns their child into a moody, self-absorbed, rebellious stranger. Behaviors that educators regard as predictable during the turbulent transition of adolescence, parents attribute to whatever it is their child is doing in school. Understandably, educators resent the irrational attacks by these groups who distort educators' ideas and actions in order to erode confidence in public education.

Granted, many who seek change in public education are sincerely concerned that school materials or programs will corrupt their children, and there are times when the interests of the school may be incompatible with the values of some parents. However, the problems arise when parents seek to deny the entire school community the use of certain materials, programs, or educational opportunities because they be-

lieve they will corrupt all children.

Although Fundamentalist Christian parents and groups are the majority of people who generate these attacks on the public school system, they are not the whole of the problem. Fundamentalist Christians are a diverse group, and only a few advocate right-wing political causes.

"I tremble for our nation when I hear extremists discrediting our public school system, the only

contrary opinions.

In contrast, most educators see the world as grey--there are few absolutes in the world. According to NNC professor Dr. Lilburn Wesche, "Education is a series of questions, not a series of answers. The ultimate of education is not to find the answer but to come up with better questions. The well-educated person has few absolutes."

As a result of these differences in world view, both sides have differing goals.

One difference is how each group interprets the separation of church and state. Many people believe that the United States was founded on the principle of the separation of church and state to ensure that no religion or denomination was favored or discriminated against. However, many Ultra-Fundamentalists portray a different view.

"America was founded by Godly men who had in mind establishing a republic not only Christian in nature, but a republic designed to propagate the Gospel worldwide," said Reverend Jerry Falwell, founder of the Moral Majority.

However, according to Dr. Lilburn Wesche, Falwell is misinformed about the religious intentions of our founding fathers. Yes, they were "Godly" men, but they were not Christian. Our founding fathers were Deists. Deists do not believe in the deity of Christ or that God intervenes in their lives. God exists purely on rational grounds. God created the world and its natural laws but takes no further part in its functioning.

Joseph Kennedy, an author who specializes in writing pamphlets about religious liberty, and others believe that the people of the United States lack understanding of the true interpretation of the doctrine of separation of Church and State because educators have lead people astray.

"We have a dominant view in this country which is supported by 99 percent of the people of the relationship between Church and State that is almost diametrically opposed to what was taught by the Founding Fathers. . . Does the First Amendment teach the separation of Church and State? Probably 99 percent of the people in America today have been brainwashed into saying 'Yes.' But it does not," explained Kennedy.

Another difference is between the groups' interpretation of the curriculum. Citizens for Excellence in Education (CEE) represents parents who believe that "public schools have strayed from their mission of academic excellence and are on a destructive course toward moral decay." They want reform because they attest that their children's faith in God is being subtly destroyed and replaced with New Age religious practices. They see the infiltration of the New Age into public education as so great a threat that Christian parents have but one alternative--to fight," said Robert

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truly ecumenical program left in our community. . ." said Robert H. Meneilly, Senior Pastor of the Village Presbyterian Church. "They do more of the Lord's work every day than most other institutions."

The "extremists" who Rev. Meneilly is referring to believe that educators are a part of a great conspiracy to convert their children into an anti-Christian, New Age religion, or even worse, teach their children to be tolerant to other points of view.

The major problem between the two groups is that they come from two different philosophies. They see the world through different eyes. On the one hand, Ultra-Fundamentalists see the world in black and white. Not only do they hold to a literal interpretation of the Bible, but they contend that their belief system should be the dominant one in American culture. The Ultra-Fundamentalist is intent on stopping the spread of

# P A R A N O I A

Simonds, president and founder of Citizens for Excellence in Education. "Christian parents need to teach their children to arm themselves against the presence of demons on school campuses."

In order to combat these "demons," the Citizens for Excellence in Education published the "Public School Awareness Committee Kit" which states, "Yes, every public school is actually teaching the doctrines of an atheist ideology. . . This is illegal and must be stopped. Here is how." The kit goes on to explain techniques that parents can use to elect Christians onto school boards because school boards can most powerfully influence the direction of American public education.

In addition, CEE supports the aspirations of Jerry Falwell "I hope I will see the day when, as in the early days of our country, we won't have public schools. The churches will have taken them over again and Christians will be running them. What a happy day that will be."

In fact, those days when the church dominated the schools were not happy days. Society was structured with a two class system:

the haves and the have nots. Only a few elected elite were able to receive an education and even this was limited by the church. During this time, no one dared to question the church because truth was defined by the church; therefore, the church was never wrong. Those who did question were ostracized, imprisoned, or even murdered. One who dared to question was Galileo. Galileo discovered that indeed the Earth revolved around the sun, contrary to the church's teachings that the sun revolved around the Earth. As a result, he was put in prison and the church "persuaded" him to revoke his findings.

Galileo is just one example out of the many which directed our founding fathers to create a nation that did not allow one group to monopolize power. To allow one group the power to control ideas would contradict the very foundation of American society.

Also, even if America were entirely Protestant, there are still so many denominations and brands of practicing Christians that it is still a problem as to whose church would decide the curriculum or proper approach to education.

Yet another complaint CEE has about the

American public education system is the promotion of self-esteem in all students. Many Christians would assert that the sinful nature of human kind is basic to Christian beliefs. Even the CEE's kit reinforces this principle: "Man is a sinner by nature, needing redemption."

In contrast, many educational practices are built on the assumption that cultivating a healthy self-concept in students is a necessary and worthy goal. "As an educator I am committed to the principle that educational practice should enhance the self-esteem of all students," said Robert J. Marzano Senior Program Director at McRel Institute.

However, this practice seems to be in directly contradict many Ultra-Fundamentalists. For example, in The Biblical View of Self-Esteem, Self-Love, and Self-Image, marketed by CEE, the author Jay Adams says, "Man was not created to become someone in his own right. . .no, man was created to glorify God. . .One wonders how many years people

will be led astray, led away from discipleship for Christ, which requires losing their 'selves,' because they were told 'Feel good about yourself' rather than being told that there is a criminal inside who needs to be put to death daily."

A final difference between the two groups is their definition of education. Simonds said that CEE parents are striving to return academic learning to the front burner because they believe their children will be denied a prosperous future because of the continuing decline in academic achievement. "Schools should stick to what they are intended to do: teach reading, writing, history, science, geography, English, grammar, composition, mathematics, patriotism, democracy, and our American culture," Simonds said.

Simonds contends that with the current state of education, children are receiving negative messages of sex. "...An overemphasis on AIDS teaching opens the door to homosexual/lesbian recruitment of children in the classroom into that deviant lifestyle..." he said.

On the other hand, public schools have operated under the idea that tolerating various community viewpoints has value. According to Dr. Wesche, educa-

tion involves three components: wonder, tolerance, and openness. Wonder allows students to explore the unknown; openness allows students to see new ideas and information; tolerance allows students to realize that there are points of view other than their own.

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**"It is not persuasive to argue that a single group should be able to 'take back the public schools' because we believe in tolerance." Arnold Fege, Director of the National PTA**

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group should be able to 'take back the public schools' because we believe in tolerance," said Arnold Fege Director of the National PTA. "If we believe that the progress of an educated citizenry depends on the freest possible expression of diverse points of view, then we must feel that we have come to a sort of halting place in American history. We, the American people, with a revolutionary tradition of independence and toleration find ourselves enmeshed in battles of doctrine and uncompromising demands."

These uncompromising demands of this section of our public have left many educators feeling powerless, and the public feeling petrified. In addition, they have also made unwarranted assumptions and skewed history to their own agenda. The very reasons why Mark Twain distrusted the power of mass opinion: "Its name is Public Opinion. It is held in reverence. It settles everything. Some think it is the voice of God."

Sources: Tom Cole, Instructor, South Junior High.

Educational Leadership, Dec. 1993

Robert Simonds, "A Plea for the Children," Educational Leadership, Dec. 1993.

Lilburn Wesche, "ED 512, Foundations of Education."



## Saders hope for national championship

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continued to add to his single-season steals record with 4 more.

"This win means a lot to us because it gives us lots of confidence going into the national tournament," said Garcia. It was a great team effort and just a great win."

Several players commented on the crowd support.

"I would like to thank the fans for all their support because we could not play at the level we are playing without them," remarked Garcia. "They really help us when we start going on our runs."

Spencer added, "The crowd really played a big part tonight."

A never-satisfied Joel Marion noted, "They (the fans) were almost to national tournament form. When it gets deafening, then we know they are at their best."

McLain seemed to be focused on things to come. "We're going to savor this victory, but we are still not where we want to be. We want to end our season with a victory. Every goal we have set we have reached so far. Our next goal is to win nationals."

Emiko Ete was all business as he echoed the feelings of McLain: "I'm focusing all my attention on the national tournament."

After the game, Marion was passing out compliments like they were going out of style. "Shel was really the difference on the boards. Emiko had his usual stellar performance, as they couldn't stop him on the drive. Ro is giving us lots of leadership, both on the floor and inspirationally."

The game ended on Justin Marion's sensational alley-oop slam dunk. Jeff Kinneveauk tossed the ball up and the younger Marion went up and threw it down almost effortlessly.

"The crowd got what they have been waiting for all year when Justin got his dunk," remarked an unbiased Joel Marion.

What the crowd has *really* been waiting for all year is a national championship. Only time will tell if the Sader magic is back in action once again at this year's national tournament. Stay tuned!

### Sadermania continues . . .

Seeding for the NAIA national tournament will not be finalized until Friday, according to sources in the NNC athletic department. Although the tourney begins one week from today (on Thursday, March 10), the Saders are hoping for a first round bye which would postpone their next game until Friday, March 11.

Remember, NAIA seating guidelines reserve the area behind team benches for each team's respective fans. The area behind opponents' benches will be closed to NNC students.

### Getting tickets . . .

Tickets for the NAIA Division II National Men's Basketball Championships are on sale NOW in the NNC athletic office.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Lady Saders are keeping their fingers crossed

## ► 72-56 loss to W. Oregon Tuesday means that NNC women must hope for wild card to advance to national tournament

BY TOBY JEFFREY  
STAFF WRITER

With conference tournaments over, the Lady Crusaders' national tournament hopes, as well as the rest of their season is no longer in their control.

Needing a win Tuesday night to secure an automatic bid in next week's women's national tournament in Monmouth, Oregon, the ladies were unable to stop Western Oregon's physical offense, eventually falling 72-56.

With an overall record of 22-7, good enough for 12th place in the nation, the ladies' only hope is to receive the tournament's one at large birth.

Coach Schmidt and WOSC coach Jon Carey, agree that NNC deserves to be in the national tournament. In a Tuesday night interview with the Idaho Press Tribune Carey said, "They certainly are a tournament caliber team. I would have been glad to have NNC in the tournament."

Earlier this year, Carey's team was put to shame by the Lady Crusaders, 80-65. Unfortunately, the ladies were unable to put it together Tuesday night like they have before. As the home team, Western Oregon set the pace of the game with an 11-0 run in the opening minutes.

The ladies spent the rest of the game playing catch up. Until the last four minutes of the game the Saders stayed within 10 points of the Wolves. But every time the ladies mounted a comeback, fouls and turnovers took their momentum away.

With 3:48 left in the game the ladies were within seven, but the Wolves sank six straight from the charity stripe to ice the victory.

Although Coach Schmidt knows the Wolves play a rough game, he thought the refs were allowing a little too much contact, and he let them know more than



NNC's Kristi Chatterton (left) was voted first team All-Conference. (Hoioson)

### The NNC women "certainly are a tournament caliber team."

*Jon Carey, W. Oregon coach,*

once what he thought. In Tuesday's Press Tribune, Coach Schmidt said, "We're more of a finesse team, and if they're allowed to bump, it's to their advantage -- not ours." He added, "But if they're going to let you play like that, you have to work through it. And we didn't."

On the night, Stephanie Arland led the ladies with 15 points as well as pulling down seven rebounds.

In recent news the Cascade Conference announced the Women's All-Conference team. For the Lady Crusaders, Kristi Chatterton was named first team All-Conference, Donna Knight was named second team All-Conference, while Stephanie Arland and Mary Kessel received honorable mention.

TIP INS...Kristi Chatterton's first team All-Conference selection makes this her third straight year receiving All-Conference honors-including 1992-93 first team All-Conference and 1991-92 honorable mention.

## CAMPUS

# National tourney preparations finalized

## ► National tourney adds four teams and another day of action for players and tournament goers

BY RICK SKEEN  
STAFF WRITER

With the national tournament only one week away, final preparations for the tournament are now being made.

Eric Forseth will be the tournament director once again this year. Gil Craker is the assistant director in charge of securing practice sites for the tournament teams.

There are twelve NAIA tournament committees working together to put on the tournament. The committees range from the Media Relations Committee headed by Rich Sanders to the Accommodations Committee headed by David Deihl and Wes Maggard. Each committee will be in charge of organizing a certain part of the tournament.

Thirty sponsors have committed over \$100,000 in cash and in-kind services

to this year's tournament. The tournament also has six media sponsors.

NAIA officials will arrive in preparation for the tournament on Monday, March 7. The Games Committee will arrive on Tuesday the 8th, and the referees on Wednesday the 9th. Teams begin arriving on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The festivities open with the Tip Off Banquet on Wednesday, March 9, at 7:00 pm at the Nampa Civic Center. Ruth Wood is in charge of organizing the banquet which 1,000 people are expected to attend.

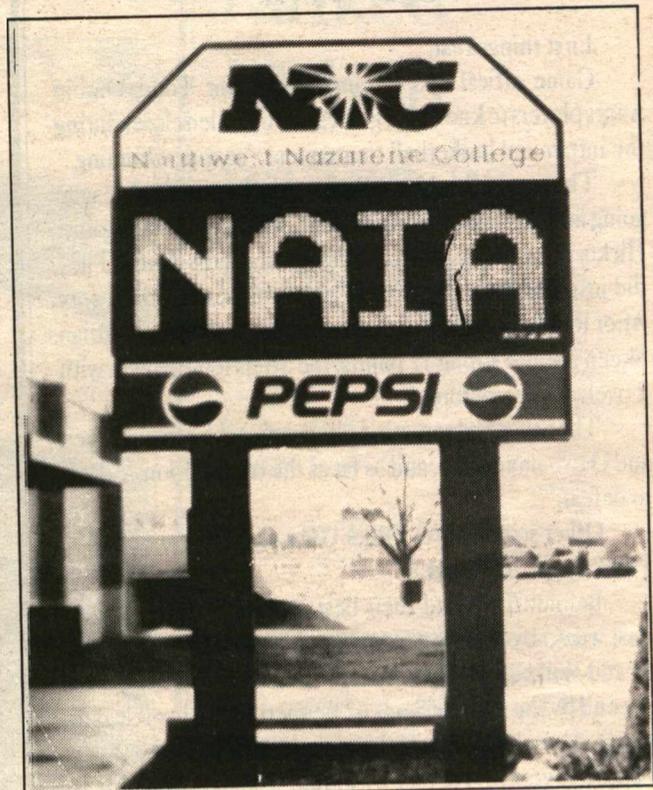
The tournament, which brought 1.7 million dollars into the local economy last year, will have a slightly different format this year. This year's tournament will have 24 teams participating, while last year's only had 20 teams. Twenty-two of the 24 spots will be given to the conference or regional champions across

the country. That leaves two at-large berths to round out the 24 teams.

The extra teams will add a full day of games to the tournament. Rather than starting Thursday evening, the games will begin at 8:30 Thursday morning. The top eight seeds will get a first-round bye on Thursday, but the other sixteen teams will play in one of the day's eight games. The Opening Ceremonies for the tournament will take place at 7:30 pm on Thursday between two games.

Friday, March 11, will be the second round when eight more games are slated. The quarterfinals will be Saturday, the 12th, and the semifinals on Monday, the 14th. The NAIA Division II National Championship Game will be Tuesday, March 15, at 8:00 pm.

Tournament passes are \$50 for reserved and \$35 for general admission. Session tickets are \$7 for reserved, \$6 for general admission, and \$5 for NNC students.



Say it loud: Montgomery Fieldhouse's bold new reader board was installed just in time for the NAIA tourney. (Nelson)

# Forseth clears up confusion over conduct

## Forseth confronts issues of student seating, press box, fan conduct, and upcoming tourney.

BY RICK SKEEN  
STAFF WRITER

Athletic Director Eric Forseth has received some abuse in recent weeks for actions he has taken to control the crowd at basketball games. Some felt his actions were an attempt to eliminate student support at games, but Forseth addressed the questions and concerns expressed hoping to clear up the issues once and for all.

One question students have asked is why the team benches were relocated two years ago from the west side to the east side of the court.

"To be able to host the national tournament, it was necessary to relocate the team benches for press, statistical, and scorer's table needs. Also, crowd control and expanded booster club seating," stated Forseth.

In reference to the loss of student seating during the NAIA tournament, Forseth responded, "NAIA policy dictates that the space behind team benches is supposed to be reserved for the team's that are playing that specific game. There are not supposed to be special privileges for the host school."

At times, students felt that their

needs were secondary to those of the sponsors. While the national tournament would not be possible without student support, it likewise would not be possible without the financial support of all the sponsors.

"The sponsors will provide over \$100,000 worth of cash and in-kind services to host the tournament this year," noted Forseth. "We have remedied

**"Students definitely know when they are being degrading to an opponent. It isn't necessary to draw black and white lines as to what is and isn't acceptable."**

*Eric Forseth, Athletic Director*

some of the lower seating problem that we had last year by relocating the sponsors in the upper west balcony."

Many want to know what the purpose of the big black box in the student section is. A recent editorial had this to say about the box, "It seems to serve no practical purpose but to deny us a place

to sit(or stand)." Contrary to this thinking, the box was built to increase student seating.

"The reason why we built the media box is to provide more student seating this year," said Forseth. "By locating the box where it is, it will not be necessary this year to rope off the section directly behind the scorer's table for the press row."

Although there are differing ideas of what is acceptable and unacceptable behavior at games, Forseth commented on the issue of student conduct at games stating,

"Students definitely know

when they are being degrading to an opponent. It isn't necessary to draw black and white lines as to what is and what isn't acceptable. Students are very perceptive as to when they have crossed the line."

Forseth noted that he was very pleased with students behavior

recently. "The last several games, our students have been great role models. The truth of the matter is that there were only a couple of students out of hand," stated Forseth.

Forseth also clarified the purpose of the meetings he has had with several students. "It was my purpose to challenge several present role models into saying to the person next to him or her, 'Hey, do you really think it is necessary to degrade an opponent.' It is a satisfactory experience to win on our own merits rather than to have a degrading effort play a part in winning athletic competition."

Looking ahead to the national tournament, Forseth commented, "Our biggest responsibility in hosting the national tournament is to be gracious hosts. ninety-nine percent of the time, we are doing a great job in this area. We need to be sure that our students and fans demonstrate sportsmanship because when other opponents get irritated, it will be a lot easier to keep the crowd in control."

Forseth concluded, "I appreciate the students and we are hosting this tournament due to the support of the students, community and corporate sponsors," said Forseth.

## INTRAMURALS

## Studs are studs . . .

BY TRAVIS MCKINNEY  
STAFF WRITER

First things first.

Game official and intramural director Todd Durbin wants players to know that games will be called closer during the intramural basketball tournament, 'so quit whinning.'

The team 6 Studs & A Dud are the best in the A league going into this season's tournament. Monday's game against Hickory Huskers was just another game for the Studs. They did just what they done every game this season, they won. After Randy Nutting led the team with 20 points and Brian Skeen put in a strong 17 points, the Studs left the gym with a twelve point victory.

The Studs had something to say after the game: "Seven and O two more to go, and as far as the competition, '3-Peat to defeat.'"

Other scores were: Older Guys 66 Hoosiers 61 and 3-Peat over JV by forfeit.

Bennett/Ellis had their best game on Tuesday night (last week) by scoring a team high 51 points. Kevin scored 21 and Will had 8 points, but Sams/Pickens had the lead at the end by the score of Sams 62 Bennett 51. Other B league scores were: High 5 29 Gelatinous 43, Q 61 Late Night 52, Peppley over the Faculty by forfeit, Mitchell 59 Fab Five 54, and Richey 42 Whetstone 46.

The C league had a great season as all the teams getting at least one win. Two of those teams got more than one win, actually they both won all their games. Team Skins and McDougall are both seeded number one in their leagues. It should be interesting to see if they both end up in the finals. C league scores: Ball Bashers 37 Harvey 41, McDougall 73 Ducks 42, Hosers 32 Huckleberry 30, Flying Blind 47 Skins 62, X-men 31 Snappers 39, and Skins 44 TOTC 28.

The All-Stars and a couple of bright shining stars last Monday night: Kristie Pickens and Jennifer Luhn. Kristie made eighteen baskets (36 points -- a season high for all the leagues); Jennifer put in 30 points. The All-Stars went on to win by the score, 87 to Haddon's 38. Women's games: Sarah forfeits to Crow, Williams 67 Tao Pao 14, Graham 26 Has-Beens 57, and Wild Knights over Weidman by forfeit.

Rick Skeen (right) defends Travis Collins from behind.



## BASEBALL

# Crusader baseball opens season tomorrow on new field



Manny Burciga hit the first unofficial homerun on the new field in a scrimmage against Treasure Valley. (Nelson)

BY RICK SKEEN  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

As the basketball season winds down, the baseball season is just starting up. The most welcome addition to this year's baseball program is a new field.

NNC will play its first regular season home game on the new Elmore W. Vail Baseball Field when they host Whitman College on Friday.

Second-year head coach Brian Muir feels that the biggest advantage to the new field is that it finally gives NNC a home-field advantage.

"We get to practice on it, and get used to the lighting, the speed of the grass, and the amount of foul territory," he said. "This really gives us a home-field advantage which we have never had before because we used to practice on the old field and play at Rodeo Field."

There is still some work to be done on the new field, most of which will be completed before Friday's home opener.

## NNC vs Whitman

Friday: 2 pm

Saturday: 11 am and 2 pm

"We won't have the dugouts finished, but we will have the walls of the dugouts done," commented Muir. "We need to get the foul lines painted, bring in some portable bleachers, and get some more signs for the outfield wall."

With a strong nucleus of returning players and a few new faces mixed in, this year's team should be a contender for a district crown.

"Our seniors are very talented and are showing great leadership early in the season," noted Muir. "We have a strong junior class as well with (Mike) Mortimer, (Manny) Burciga, (Jason) Chan, and (Tony) DeVall, and last year's freshman class has come a long ways and will help us at several key positions. John Hilton,

a transfer from Treasure Valley Community College gives us depth at catcher. This year's freshman have a ways to go, as is expected, but they will add overall depth to the team."

Coach Muir feels that the pitching staff is the biggest area of improvement the team has made since last year.

"Our pitching is much stronger than it was last year. Overall, I think we are going to be better at every spot, offensively and defensively."

The importance of this weekend's games was stressed by Muir.

"Whitman is a team we need to sweep if we are going to be contenders this year. I don't want to make excuses about it being early in the season. We need to come out and play good baseball this weekend."

The Sadlers and Whitman will play a single game at 2 pm on Friday, and will then play a doubleheader on Saturday at 11 am and 2 pm. Come out and support the baseball team as they start a new season on a new field.

## RELATED BASKETBALL

# Saders end season on win streak

(Editor's note: This story is a compilation of stories that were scheduled for publication on February 22 and March 1. We apologize for the delay.)

BY RICK SKEEN  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The 21st-ranked Crusaders earned the right to play in last night's championship with a 116-100 romp over Eastern Oregon Saturday. The team used an impressive first half and balanced scoring to get by the fourth-seeded Mounties and notch their 12th straight win.

After getting down 2-0 to start the game, NNC went on a 13-0 run and never looked back. The Saders led 54-36 at halftime and EOSC never got closer than 12 points in the second half.

NNC shot the lights out in the first half while the Mountaineers could not seem to find the range. In the first half, the Crusaders shot 63 percent (17-27) from the field, 75 percent (6-8) from the three-point line, and 82.4 percent (14-17) from the free-throw line. EOSC, on the other hand, shot only 37.1 percent from the field in the first half, making just 13 of its 35 attempts.

Sheldon McLain scored a team-high 24 points, including a perfect 6-of-6 from three-point range.

"As Chad (Herron) would say, 'I was in a zone'," joked McLain. "Actually, I didn't do anything differently. I just came off the picks, squared up, and shot the ball with lots of confidence."

Emiko Etete had a strong all-around game with 19 points, 6 rebounds (5 offensive), 4 assists, 3 steals, a block, and a thunderous slam dunk in the face of an Eastern defender. Joel Marion again played well off the bench with 16 points and 7 boards. Other Saders who hit double figures in the scoring column were Todd Schumacher with 14, Rolando Garcia with 13, and Chad Herron with 10. Eric Spencer pulled down a team-high 9 rebounds.

"This is what it's all about," said McLain. "We are playing with a lot of confidence right now and we are looking forward to taking care of business on Wednesday. We want to keep things rolling right into the national tournament."

In other news of interest to Sader hoop fans, Albertson's season appears to be over after losing to Western Oregon on Saturday night. I don't think that even the magic of Marty Holly can get the 18-11 Yotes an at-large berth into the

National Tournament. Marty and his troops can look on the bright side—at least they have last fall's Golden Rule Tip-Off Tournament Trophy to fall back on.

One of the Yotes' final losses came at the hands of the Crusaders on February 15. NNC snapped a four-game streak of losing to its arch-rival with an 81-64 victory. The win paved the way for the Saders to advance to the conference championship.

The Crusaders used a smothering defense to limit AC of I to 37.3 percent shooting from the field. McLain did a superlative job defending Albertson's leading scorer Kade Wilson. Wilson was limited to 7 points, hitting only 2 of 9 field goal attempts.

"In our loss at Albertson, Kade had 25 points, and I felt I did a poor job of defending him," commented McLain. "I set a personal goal of holding him under 10 points, and with lots of help from my teammates, we got the job done."

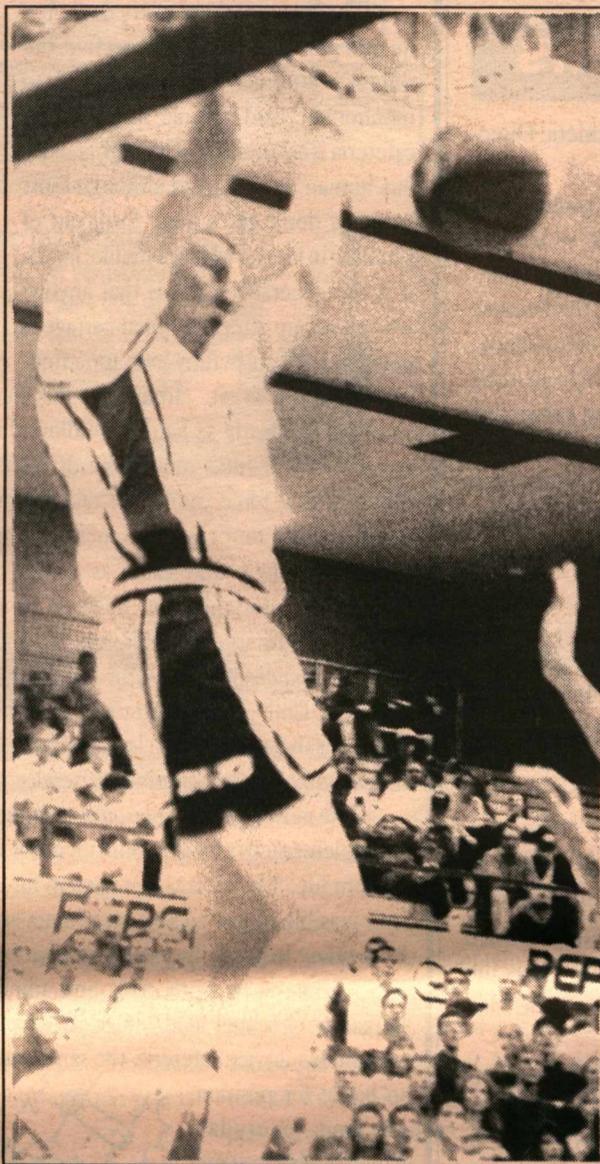
Another key to the Sader victory was their rebounding advantage. NNC pounded AC of I on the boards 44-28. The team was led in rebounding by McLain's 11 and Joel Marion's 10.

The Saders were led in scoring by McLain and Herron who each had 18 points. Herron had 4 three-pointers which helped key a 24-5 Sader run to end the first half. Garcia added 14 points and 4 assists. Schumacher and Spencer each chipped in 10 points.

Later that week, NNC relished an 84-60 win at Western Baptist. The Crusaders found themselves knotted at 34 at halftime, having only shot 37 percent from the field. However, the team came out blistering in the second half, shooting 59 percent and outscoring Western Baptist 50-26.

Spencer had a strong all-around game with 15 points, 8 rebounds, and 4 blocked shots. Herron shot the lights out for the second game in a row, hitting 6 of 7 from the three-point line for 18 points.

"I've been in a zone for the last couple of games," remarked Herron. "Every time I put it up I know it's going in. I've made some shots in the last several games that I probably shouldn't have even taken."



Garcia added 10 points and Emiko Etete pulled down 9 rebounds in Friday night's game.

One night later, on February 19, NNC seemed to be making a statement with an impressive 96-85 win over second-place Western Oregon. The win was the eleventh straight for the Saders who finished their regular season 14-2 in league play and 21-7 overall.

The Crusaders held a 17-point halftime advantage and never let the Runnin' Wolves' get closer than 10 points in the second half. NNC was paced by Garcia's season-high 27 points. Herron commented on the play of Garcia Saturday night.

"Ro was on fire. He went by their point guard at will all night long."

Joel Marion was a perfect 6 for 6 from the field and 4 for 4 from the line on his way to 16 points. Herron added 13 points, while Etete and Schumacher had 10 apiece. Spencer grabbed 10 boards; Garcia and Schumacher each had 7.

Joel Marion overpowers an unfortunate Eastern Oregon defender Saturday night. (Nelson)

**"I've been in a zone for the last couple of games. Every time I put it up I know it's going in."**

*Chad Herron*

## Women ranked 15th in nation as season ends

(Editor's note: This story was originally scheduled for publication February 22. It has been edited for space and clarity. We apologize for the delay.)

BY TOBY JEFFREY  
STAFF WRITER

On their last regular season road trip, the Lady Crusaders overpowered Concordia's Lady Cavaliers (4-26) with defense and rebounding. Jumping ahead early, the ladies led throughout the whole game, nearly doubling Concordia's game total, 83-43.

Coach Schmidt was pleased with the team's performance even though Concordia isn't the toughest of opponents. "We crashed the boards really well and we did a much better job underneath the basket, which is important going into the playoffs," he said.

On the night, the Lady Saders out-rebounded the Lady Cavaliers 54-34. The ladies' defense also held Tara Tiedman, one of the leagues leading scorers to no points on the night.

The leading scorer for the game was Stephanie Arland with 25 points and 10 rebounds. Donna Knight added 14 points, while Mary Kessel added 11 points and eight assists.

The victory put the ladies at 21-6 overall and 9-3 in the Cascade Conference, good enough for sole possession of second place in the conference. The stage is now set for the conference playoffs.

Last Saturday, the Crusaders defeated third place George Fox at home by a score of 73-64. The win marked the first round of playoffs and set up Tuesday's game against Western Oregon, who is hosting the national women's tournament in Monmouth, Oregon.

TIP-INS... This season is the first time in Crusader history that both the men and women's basketball teams posted 20 win seasons in the same year.

## EDITORIALS

## A Crusader "State of the Institution" Address

"We need to be sure that our students and fans demonstrate

sportsmanship..." says Eric Forseth, NNC Athletic Director. But what about other students and fans?

The scene at Saturday's men's basketball game versus Eastern Oregon State College was intolerable -- not just because the Eastern student section chanted "bull---, bull---" in response to a referee's controversial call, but because no NNC officials challenged the overt use of profanity. They did not ask the Eastern students to refrain from using expletives. They did not direct the nearby usher and Nampa police officer to exercise some modest form of crowd control. They did not make a loudspeaker announcement threatening to expel fans who yelled obscenities. And so, when another controversial call was made against Eastern, the students repeated their chant.

The Crusader is ashamed and appalled that not one NNC official had the resolve to publicly denounce the Eastern students' use of profanity. It appeared that the institution is too weak-kneed to stand behind its Christian principles. This blatant lack of action smacks the presumed Christian character of NNC in the face.

Although the conduct of Eastern students helped to dampen the atmosphere of Saturday's game, there is much to be said about the Pep Band's rejuvenated efforts toward uplifting school spirit. Under the direction of professors Jim Willis and Michael Bankston, the size and sound of the band has improved.

NNC basketball fans should be gracious enough to extend a word of personal thanks to Willis, Bankston, and band members for dedicating their time and energy to enhancing the musical enthusiasm of Sadermania.

## Too many Tuna helpers

"Greater Tuna," this year's Junior Class Play, was a smashing success despite the interference from NNC's Entertainment Evaluation Committee (EEC), which decided to censor a scene about -- strangely enough -- censorship. Evidently, the words snatch, hot, hooker, coke, clap, ball, knocker, deflower, and nuts are just too great a secular strain on the ears of all the innocent NNC students.

The scene was intended to poke fun at the kind of people who think that removing remotely questionable words from dictionaries will solve the problem of those words' misuse. Ironically, the EEC members' decision to cut this scene serves only to identify them with the same close-minded people that the play spends two hours mocking.

"Greater Tuna" is just the kind of play that EEC members need desperately to see.

### our views

### editorial policy

The above editorials express the opinions of The Crusader's editorial board: D. M. Bomar, Naomi Brown, Jeff Gunstream, Matt Johnson, Dave McEwen, Tessa Phillips, Ryan Pitts, Kona Lew, and Wendy White. Editorial cartoons reflect the opinions of the artist. Signed articles and letters reflect the opinions of the writer.

## OPINION

# Satisfying the student appetite

ryan pitts

**A time to sit, relax, and enjoy something is not often found during a hectic weekday**

The lines are there every day. At a quarter past twelve and half past five, the unlucky student-worker assigned to monitor the card scanner at the NNC cafeteria is assaulted by a legion of ravenous human beings. And although most students don't get a huge thrill out of standing in line for what seems like hours, it is the general consensus that anyone who shows up after the initial barrage is going to have an awfully hard time finding anywhere to sit. Ironically, this Scylla and Charybdis wouldn't be nearly as hard to swallow if the subject at hand weren't one of life's most basic drives -- hunger. Such an indescribable force cannot be taken lightly, for it can lead human beings to regress into their childhood psyches and do things as morally despicable as cutting in line. Finding a resolution for the dilemma, however, is a job that cannot be taken on by the students themselves. Instead, both the power and the responsibility rest in the hands of the Northwest Nazarene College administration, and I believe that it should move to solve the problem by converting NNC's current food service system into a continuous service cafeteria.

The most important reason that continuous service should be implemented is for the convenience it would bring to NNC student life. Money is scarce enough for most students that it isn't feasible to just go and eat whenever they feel hungry or have time. Instead, they must wait for the pearly gates of the NNC cafeteria to swing wide and admit the masses to the purgatory of school food. If NNC were to institutionalize a continuous service cafeteria, the same students that are forced to battle for position in line everyday would be able to come to the cafeteria for a meal at their own convenience. For instance, a student working on a paper with a looming deadline would have the option of writing straight through the normal meal hour and stopping in for lunch at 2:00. In the same way, students with late classes or work hours would no longer have to rush to the student center to catch the last scraps of any particular meal. If continuous cafeteria service were available from 7:00 in the morning until 8:00 in the evening, for example, students would be able to find a time to relax and enjoy a meal rather than feel the constant pressure to get in, get out, and get busy.

Conversion to a continuous service system would also reduce the problem of cafeteria overcrowding. The current state of affairs finds Marriott packed at most meal times. And the bottleneck encountered outside the doors at certain times during each meal is not the fault of the students, rather they are the victims. While continuous service wouldn't necessarily eliminate the hassle of finding a seat during prime mealtime, more open hours certainly would spread the customer flow

more evenly. Students who would like to find a quieter eating atmosphere would have the option of arriving anytime they wished, instead of being forced to undergo the ruckus inherent in a room full of hundreds of hungry people. Marriott employees would not be under the same amount of pressure that hunger-driven students can apply. Everyone -- especially that poor student-worker at the card scanner -- wins with a less crowded cafeteria.

Just one more reason to start a continuous service system at NNC is the improvement it would bring to the quality of food served. If cooks were not forced to supply such a huge number of meals at once, food preparation could be spread out over the entire day. And if smaller quantities were prepared at any given time, it would likely allow a more personal investment by each cook into each meal. Anything that might lead to more of that "home-cooked" flavor for which every student longs would be a welcome addition to college life.

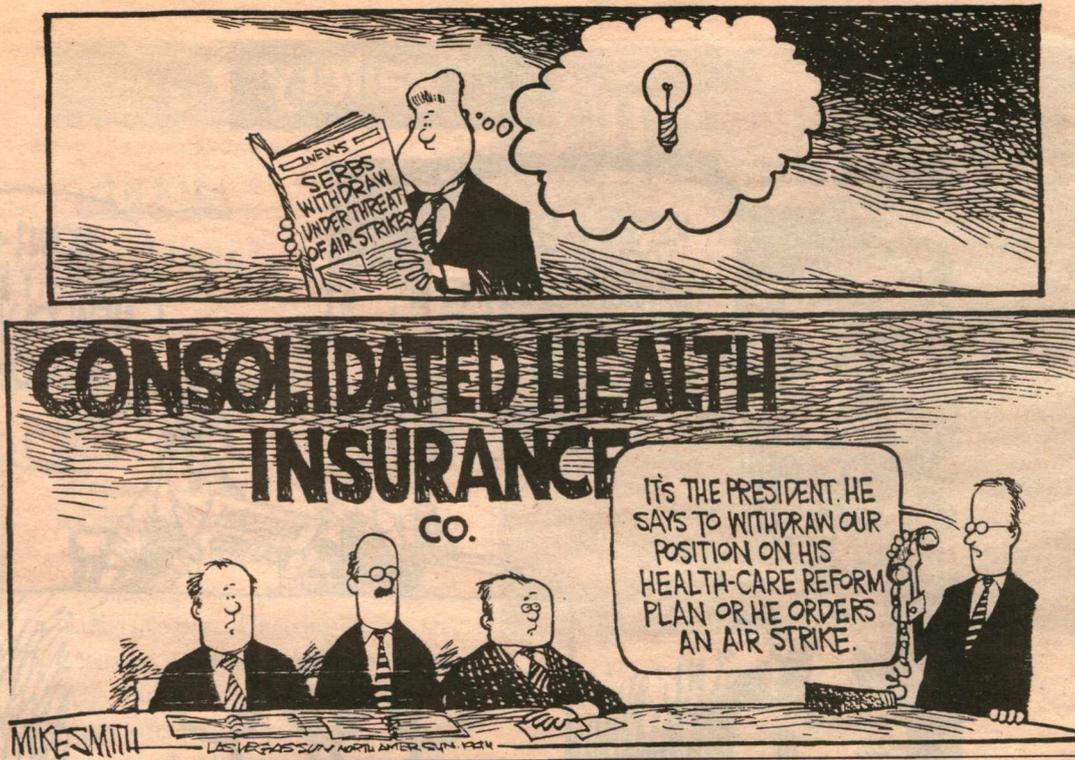
Students who can attend college only if they work their way through school provide a final argument for establishing a continuous service cafeteria at NNC. If the cafeteria is open for more hours, it makes sense that more employees could be given more work. Marriott would be able to provide jobs for even a greater number of students who are not so fortunate as to attend NNC on scholarships or money from parents. In fact, by opening more work-study positions, NNC would probably make it possible for many more people to receive an education in a Christian environment who otherwise may have had to

look elsewhere for a college degree.

While operating a continuous service cafeteria at NNC would definitely cost the school -- and hence, the students -- more money, I believe the benefits that would result in

student life substantially outweigh the monetary concerns. And whether the funding would come from an increase in student fees or a hike in the cost of a meal plan, the price of convenience is certainly more easily swallowed by the student body than the traditional rise in tuition. The fact is, George Fox College and Linfield College, two schools quite similar to NNC, have already implemented continuous meal service and have met with great success. At these institutions the student body and the administration have been satisfied in terms of both finance and convenience. A time to sit, relax, and enjoy something is not often found by most students during a hectic weekday -- a continuous service cafeteria could provide at least a little piece of peace for NNC students in the midst of an unforgiving schedule.





OPINION

# Are Resident Directors necessary?

BY JOHN FRALEY  
STAFF WRITER

**A Resident Director can be a friend, a parental figure, and a spiritual role model. On the other hand, they can also inhibit a college student's formation of an adult identity.**

"The Resident Director is responsible for creating a living environment, conducive to the development of community and personal growth, and translating the overall philosophy and objectives of the NNC residence hall program into a practical and meaningful set of services, activities and programs for students within their living units." This is how Student Development states the job description of the Resident Director. Yeah, it's a mouthful -- but how much does the RD really do?

In practice, the RD's job, according to Chapman Resident Director Al Sjogren, is to be "on call 24 hours a day." He goes on to say that his position is a real "opportunity for ministry." While the RD does have specifically outlined powers and duties, such as supervising, training and evaluating RA's and PA's, and reigns as the ever-popular authority regarding fines, the personal/spiritual aura that the RD is supposed to convey is the most important aspect of the job. In reality, little training is done after L.E.A.D. retreat in September. One Chapman RA who need not be identified seemed to imply that dorm management from the RA position was not an extremely tough assignment; he listed his most common duties as letting people who are locked out of their room back in and fining the "rebels" that ignore curfew.

So what am I getting at? It's simple: RD's are useless in non-freshman dorms.

Wait a second -- please don't dismiss this article yet as an anti-institutional rebellion or as a personal attack. For one, I have enjoyed good relations with the two RD's I have lived under (at least up until today), and really, I'm only trying to save the college a little money by cutting salaries. (Maybe then we won't be shelling out an additional \$1,250 every year.) RD's certainly are a plus in freshman dorms; stability in that transition year is comforting.

However, I do intend to back my point up now with a few weak arguments. First of all, "student complaints about disciplinary actions have reached an all-time high" (Crusader #13, page 3). This would seem to indicate a growing animosity between the student body and the figures of authority. If Student Development's latest experiment in self-governance, the Peer Board, curbs this conflict in any way, then why could it not be part of a scheme to replace RD's?

Next, the elite of each year's freshman crop that survives that first year of college and proceeds into sophomoreland and beyond has learned some in the areas of responsibility, maturity, and independence. In other words, they are no longer kids. A year of transition from home to away from home has formed some kind of sense of "grown-upness" that could resent the parental figure that the RD is in reality. Conflict is unavoidable when a parent-type individual has a lot of authority over increasingly independent young men and women.

Finally, the duties of the RD can be performed by other entities: the newly

created Peer Board, the Dorm Councils, and an empowered PA Board -- all under loose supervision of one central Student Development-employed Residential Life Director. This proposal therefore falls in line as a logical follow-up to the recent Student Development policy of self-governance. Since any dorm that loses its RD would suffer a potentially dangerous power vacuum, having three sets of student-led organizations would prevent abuse of power by any one person. Hopefully. In any case, under this brilliant plan, the Peer Board deals with any kind of violation of residential life rules. It fines and punishes in other pleasant ways, or drafts new rules concerning noise output, curfew, inappropriate behavior, and the like. The Dorm Councils manage financial affairs to the best that they can, plan various dorm activities, and handle advertising and other fun stuff. The new PA Board is made up of students over the age of 21, in order to satisfy local law that requires older leadership in dormitories. Simply a collection of Peer Assistants, this board decides on individual wing activities and management; in addition, the PA's can provide the emotional/spiritual/personal leadership that the RD would have supplied.

This plan establishes student control and responsibility in everyday residential life. Dr. Bennett touched on this in chapel on Monday; he mentioned that NNC's calling is to foster real leadership. The goal of college is to learn to live on your own. RD's, as they stand now, are in the way of this ambition.

## Straight talk from Carlos

BY CARLOS ANTRAS  
SPECIAL TO THE CRUSADER

My purpose in writing this editorial is to let you know some facts about ASNNC Senate and its functions within the student body. Leaving aside job descriptions and guidelines, senators are representatives -- elected by the student body in the spring -- of the student body and for the student's best interests.

They are also in charge of distributing the \$40 in student fees that each student pays every term. It is the senators' job to make sure that the money is properly spent and to minimize costs and economical risks.

Lately, a few students have come to me and asked if senators are actually doing their jobs, and here is my answer. Siiii, as we say in Spain. With confidence and assurance I, Carlos Antras, Student Body President, want to confirm to you the efficiency and productivity of senators.

I believe that diversity results in conflict and conflict results in efficiency and productivity. For example, sometimes senators may have different points of view than I do. Does that mean that one side is for the students and the other side is not? Of course not!! What that means is that we, as players, are coming together with different plays in mind for the benefit of the team. It is when both sides discuss and argue that we obtain the best play for the students.

Next time you see a senator on your way to class, stop him/her in the hall, give him/her a handshake, look into his/her eyes and say "THANK YOU FOR LOOKING OUT FOR MY BEST INTERESTS."

--CARLOS ANTRAS IS THE  
ASNNC STUDENT  
BODY PRESIDENT

*Editor's Note: For those of you who don't already know, here are the names of the ASNNC senators:*

Freshmen -- Brent Peterson, Adam Watkins  
Sophomores -- Roberta Clark, Angie Secord, Tim Whetstone  
Juniors -- Shane Campbell, Jami Mittelstaedt, Lance Nelson  
Seniors -- Jay Hughes, Eric Richey, Todd Shupe.

LETTERS

Campus role model offers apology

To the NNC community and all who attended Senior Slick 1994:

yourviews

This composition is a formal apology for my actions at Senior Slick. I feel that I may have given the event a bad name. The purpose of my actions is undefined and I was not performing with intention to offend anyone. As a Residential Assistant working for NNC, I should be more aware of my position on campus as a role model. If somehow my actions were overly offensive to you please feel free to contact me and I will be happy to talk to you. Thank you and God bless.

--BEN KNEADLER, SOPHOMORE

Concerned student proposes change

Dear Editor:

Many students were shocked after seeing the actions that went on during the recent Senior Slick. Several of the acts, we believe, went against what Northwest Nazarene College stands for. Over the years it has become easier for students to get away with more and more that falls short of Christian behavior. The concerned students of NNC think that there should be a change! If we do not stand up for how a Christian Institution should act, then how far will we go?

The first change we feel should be in the screening process of productions and variety shows put on by the students. There needs to be a set number of rules that need to be followed strictly to keep filthy, inappropriate acts from filtering in. Also, if the participants are not present for the screening, they should not be allowed to perform in the show. By enforcing this, all acts will be properly screened.

Another change should be the involvement of more faculty and staff in the screening process. It is important to keep them informed about what goes on at student functions. They can offer hints and constructive criticism.

We should be ashamed that a Christian College, Northwest Nazarene College, would permit such immoral trash on our campus. As Christians we should have control of our tongue, as well as control over our actions. If we are having trouble with control, then there needs to be stricter rules and regulations concerning school policies.

NNC should hold responsibility in keeping a pure Christian atmosphere for the students. Students come to NNC seeking a Christian environment, and education that is different than other institutions. For that reason, we are willing to pay the increasing tuition. If the tuition is going to keep increasing then the morals of this college should stay strong! If they do not stay strong, students seeking a Christian atmosphere will refuse to attend NNC. We slam Point Loma for being the "Party Nazarene College," but if no action is taken, NNC is quickly descending down to that level also.

--ERICA L. ANDREW, CONCERNED STUDENT

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reviews

CINEMA

*Even a black and white world sometimes finds an unlikely hero*



**Schindler's List**

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Reviewed by  
Kona Lew

Why would anyone film a major motion picture in black and white? "Schindler's List," directed by Steven Spielberg, is one of the few recent movies that owes part of its power to this stark, often forgotten medium.

Spielberg creates a realistic depiction of the Holocaust. Directing the film was a spiritual journey for the Jewish Spielberg, who took on the project when he began to feel he needed to do something to display the inhumane behavior of the Germans towards the Jews during WWII. "Schindler's List," based on the novel by Thomas Keneally, focuses on Oscar Schindler, portrayed by Liam Neeson. Schindler is a veteran member of the Nazi Party who finds a way to become rich during WWII in Poland, after the Germans took control of the country in 1939.

The film begins with Schindler be-friending many of the German officials, so he can make money off the Nazi regime. He sets up an enamelware factory and uses over 1,000 Jews to work in his factory. Among them, Schindler hires Itzhak Stern, portrayed by Ben Kingsley, who becomes his accountant.

The relationship between the two characters begins to flourish over time. Schindler begins to realize that the Jews are people, not merely objects at his disposal. He also sees how the Germans' hatred toward the Jews is destroying the very people he cares about, so he risks his own life and wealth to save them.

Schindler is not a story book hero. His first concern is becoming rich. He tells his wife that the reason why he was not wealthy from his past business ventures was due to a missing ingredient--war.

As the movie progresses, Schindler changes his attitude toward the Jews and begins to accept responsibility for their lives. At the beginning of the war, he is only concerned with his survival and making money, but finally gives in to the good side of his personality. Schindler begins to use his financial gains to purchase his Jewish workers from the despicable German Commandant Amon Goeth (Ralph Fiennes). He preserves the lives of over a thousand Jews by finding a means to save them from the Auschwitz-Birkenau death camp.

Sharing the terror of the Holocaust with the Jews is the focus of this powerful film. Spielberg achieves this by creating a state of paralysis in the mind of his audience.

The movie has been nominated for 12 Oscars and Spielberg has picked up his first Oscar nomination as best director. Many critics think it is a sure winner.

"Schindler's List" paints a shocking picture of Nazi sadistic behavior and Jewish anguish, and finally shows how one man conquers circumstance and saves the lives of 1,100 Jews. With his help, they become survivors and inspire people like Spielberg to tell the story about those who died during the Holocaust of WWII.



EDIFICE

*Moviegoing can be more than just a cinematic experience*



**The Egyptian Theater**

700 W. Main, Boise  
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Reviewed by  
Erin Schmelzenbach

Theaters, as Marvin the Projectionist puts it, "weren't just little cracker boxes" back when our grandparents went to movies. One of the few remaining monuments to ornate cinematic architecture is the Egyptian Theater located on 7th and Main in Boise.

Marvin the Projectionist has worked at the Egyptian for about twenty-five years, and he says that there were once many movie theaters around here with atmosphere. There was the Fox theater in Caldwell; it is now a furniture store. The Penney in Boise was more of an operatic theater -- marble stairs, three balconies, elevators, 21 dressing rooms, box seats, and a seating capacity of 3,300. It's a parking lot now. Even Nampa had its own "theme" movie theater: the Majestic had an Old West village scene inside on the walls. It was located right next to the Nampa fire station, but still managed to burn down.

All this is to say: if you want a special experience in a movie theater, go to the Egyptian. There's a lot of history in there. In the twenties when King Tut's tomb was found, "Egyptiana" was the rage. Built in 1927, the Egyptian includes sphinxes, hieroglyphics, and two big cross-legged gold statues flanking the screen. This bright relic was actually condemned in 1972, but a historically-concerned Auxiliary guild took action to "save the organ" -- that is, the vaudeville-style organ located at center stage. They managed to save the building by finding someone to purchase the theater. The pipe organ that saved the theater is still showcased in front.

The theater seats about 800 with padded chairs that recline as you look up at the screen. Cineplex runs the place, so the movies are current and have lots of previews. Regular ticket prices are \$6.00, but matinees are \$3.75 and all movies are \$3.25 on Tuesdays. But really, the particular movie showing doesn't matter much. It's the theater itself you've got to experience. This is a classy place.

Just look for the sphinxes peering down at Main Street in Boise. Special thanks to Marvin for all the juicy history.

**◀ "Schindler's List" leaves no shades of grey in its depiction of the horrors of the Holocaust.**

CUISINE

*Delivering both character and class in a jazzy package*

It may seem odd for a restaurant to be located in what looks like a little old house. And it may also seem odd for a fine dining experience to come just across the street from a Burger King and an Albertson's grocery store. But the truth is, if you completely missed Valentine's Day, or if you just didn't get up the nerve to ask that cute thing out in time -- The Blue Note Cafe offers the perfect setting for a romantic interlude with a unique style and personality.

The Blue Note is one of those restaurants that seems to take pride in breaking all the rules. Location, location, location must have been thrown out the window in choosing of this spot for a high-caliber eating establishment, and the inside layout is just as odd -- when I said the restaurant looks like a house, I meant inside and out. The "family room" is full of tables for larger parties, while the "living room" has private booths. The Blue Note still offers an ample serving of panache, but if you want to impress somebody with a classic setting, this is not the place to do it.

There is hope for those of you not so concerned with the traditional, however, because it is exactly this irreverent classiness that makes The Blue Note Cafe such a wonderful place to be. As you might expect upon hearing the name, this restaurant accompanies your meal with sounds from a diverse menu of jazz artists. In fact, I understand that during the warmer months the Blue Note opens a patio in the back and patrons may enjoy their dinner to a soundtrack of live music.

I won't lie to you, you're going to pay for this kind of atmosphere. An average plate is about twelve dollars, but the food is nothing less than sublime. The seafood is spectacular -- I personally favor the grilled mahi-mahi -- and the landfood is divine as well -- my wife went crazy over the Teriyaki steak.

If you just can't wait until payday to hit The Blue Note, I strongly suggest stopping by for dessert. As savory as a Blue Note dinner may be, the dessert menu is this restaurant's crowning glory. Fresh tarts may be the most popular palate-pleaser, but there remains a soft spot in my heart for white chocolate cheesecake that can only be described as nonpareil. And for you out-of-the-closet chocaholics -- the Death by Chocolate is, and I quote tongue-in-cheek, "to die for."

It may take a little creative budgeting, but The Blue Note Cafe certainly makes a trip to Boise and a few extra bucks of date money worthwhile. And with finals week approaching all too quickly, maybe it's time to treat yourself to an evening of epicureanism you won't soon forget.



**The Blue Note Cafe**

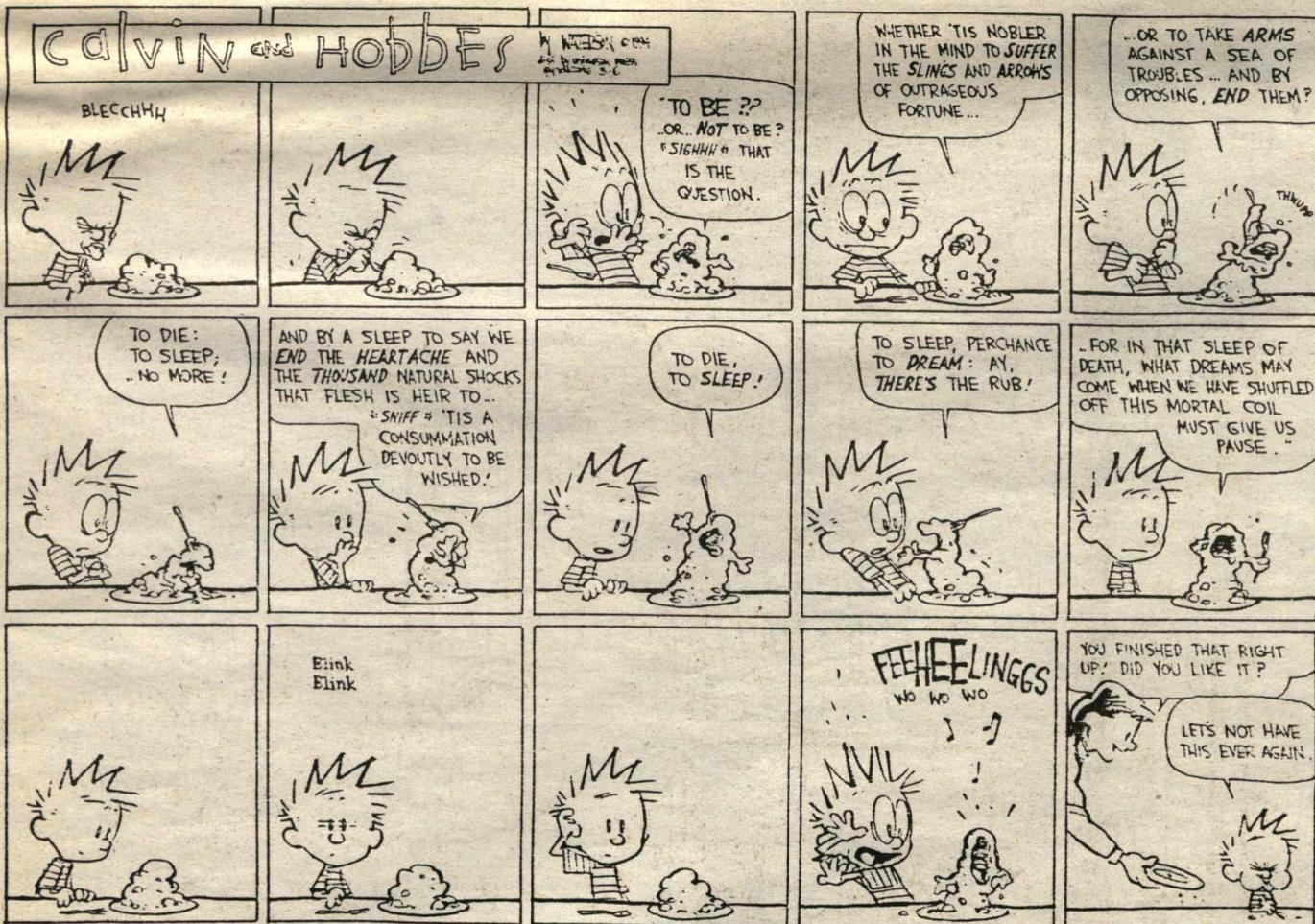
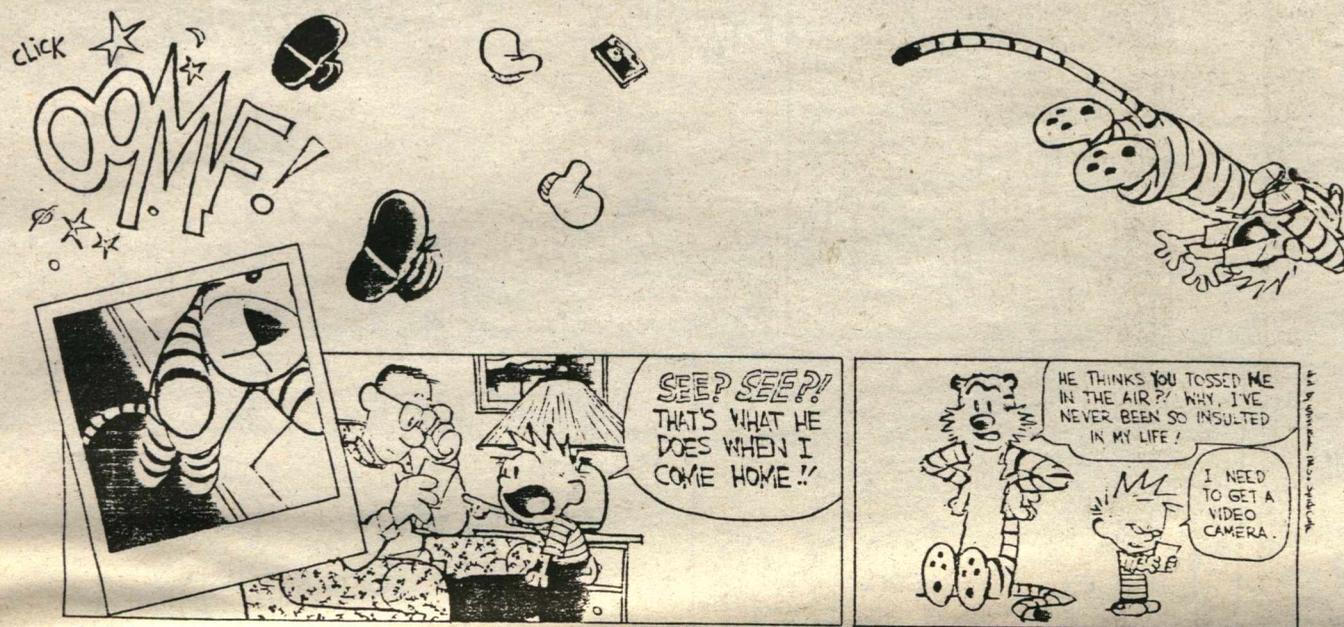
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Reviewed by  
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CALENDAR

around campus

Thursday, March 3

Globe Player Tryouts -- 4:40-5:30 p.m.; Wiley 206

Friday, March 4

ASNNC Luv Auction in Marriott during dinner

Monday, March 7

Readers' Theatre Tryouts -- 7:00-8:30 p.m.; Wiley 111 (also on March 8, same time and place)

Mostly Mozart concert -- performed by NNC music department; 8:00 p.m.; Nampa Civic Center; Tickets \$4 for students and seniors, \$5 for adults, available at music office

Thursday, March 10, thru Tuesday, March 15

NAIA Division II National Men's Basketball Championship -- Montgomery Fieldhouse; Tickets available at athletic office or Select-A-Seat outlets

around town

Play -- "Boy's Life"

A bitingly funny comedy of manners that follows the fortunes of a group of urban male yuppies. March 3-5, 9-12 at 8:00 p.m.; March 6 at 2:00 p.m. Morrison Center Stage II. Tickets \$6.50 general admission, \$4.50 students and seniors, available at Select-A-Seat.

A Capella -- "The Earthtones"

Rhythm, blues, and pop vocals. Part of Brava! coffeehouse concert series. Friday, March 4; 7:30-10:00 p.m.; BSU Student Union. FREE!

COMICS

