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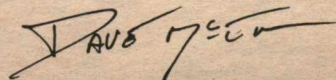
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HUMOR

Dave's advice: Go to the bathroom while still at home

Dave Barry

When we try to name the one thing that makes America great, we are forced to conclude that the answer is "quality of life," defined as "working toilets." We are blessed with the finest toilet system in the world. When we go to a public place such as a shopping mall or restaurant, we know that we will find public restrooms meeting all the standards of the Federal Interstate Commode Quality Act, including:

Modern soap and paper-towel dispensers designed to conserve our planet's precious resources by always being out of soap and paper towels.

Bad words that have been written on the walls by irresponsible, reprehensible, antisocial, degenerate perverts who can be pretty funny.

A sign that says "EMPLOYEES MUST WASH HANDS BEFORE LEAVING RESTROOM AND ALSO FOR GOD'S SAKE PLEASE STOP SPITTING INTO THE ENTREES."

A person who has been in a stall for at least two days making noises like walruses mating.

Also, sometimes, if prankish youngsters have not stolen it or attempted to flush a rental security guard down it, there will be a TOILET THAT ACTUALLY WORKS! This is not the case elsewhere in the world.

Ask anyone who has travels a lot.

In foreign countries, you constantly find yourself in scary situations involving plumbing that was built thousands of years ago by the Etruscans, who chose to become extinct rather than try to use it. These facilities are often guarded by very short, very wide, very hostile women who watch you like a hawk and expect you to tip them for tending the mold colonies and making sure the toilet paper is rigid enough to slice luncheon meat.

Perhaps you believe I am overstating the scariness of foreign toilets. Well, perhaps you should dig

out your December 1993 issue of the Scottish Medical Journal, a copy of which was sent to me by alert research scientist Elliot Cowan. On page 185, you will find an article entitled "THE COLLAPSE OF TOILETS IN GLASGOW." This article, which I am not making up, describes three cases wherein people were injured "whilst

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European establishment's

Bathroom sign

sitting on toilets which unexpectedly collapsed." All three patients had to receive hospital treatment for wounds in the buttocks region. (The buttocks region is located just west of Edinburgh.)

The article describes the collapsing-toilet incidents in clinical scientific terminology, which contrasts nicely with a close-up, full-face photograph, suitable for framing, of a hairy and hefty victim's naked wounded butt, mooning out of the page at you, causing you to think, for reasons that you cannot quite explain, of Pat Buchanan.

"The cause (of the toilet collapses) remains unclear," states the Scottish Medical Journal, "except that all of the toilets were believed to be very old." (The article does not come right out and use the term "Etruscan," but we can read between the lines.)

So my advice is: If you must go to a foreign country, go to the bathroom before you leave. Although I personally would stay right here in the United States, because we could be on the

verge of a major scientific breakthrough in the form of -- get ready -- a MICROWAVE TOILET.

I have here the May 26, 1993, issue of the Bloomsburg, Pa., Press-Enterprise, sent in by alert reader David Hill; right on the front page is a story, written by Ellen Condron, about a man named George Welliver, who is hoping to manufacture a toilet that would use microwaves to convert waste to ashes, thereby saving water. The article is accompanied by a stunningly artistic color photograph, taken with the camera tilted at an arty angle, showing Mr. Welliver sitting (fully dressed) on his bathroom commode, holding a microwave on his lap. I have been to some of the world's finest museums, and I can honestly say that I have never seen a work of art, photographic or otherwise, that more clearly expresses the classic dual themes of "microwave oven" and "toilet."

The article quotes Welliver as saying that he originally considered a LASER toilet, but decided against it. I think this was a wise decision. I'm sure I speak on behalf of guys everywhere when I say that I would not want to get any closer than about 50 feet from a laser-powered toilet, so accuracy would be a real problem.

But I think the microwave toilet is a great idea. In fact, I can foresee a day in the not-so-distant future when there would be one multipurpose microwave device in your home, which would automatically, at a pre-set time, load a frozen burrito into itself, heat it up to serving temperature, then switch over to Toilet Mode, incinerate the burrito, and whisk the ashes away without any human involvement whatsoever. That is the wonderful thing about this great country: The quality of life is constantly improving in ways that we cannot begin to comprehend without massive doses of Prozac, with each generation producing something new and amazing. And then forgetting to flush.

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CAMPUS

New field named for former baseball coach

Elmore Vail coached Crusader baseball and basketball during the 1950's and '60's

BY TIM SCHLACK
STAFF WRITER

This Saturday NNC's new and improved baseball diamond will be dedicated in honor of Elmore Vail. NNC has been dreaming of the day when they could play in a nice park and that dream has come true in the form of Elmore Vail Baseball Field. The field was finished around March 4th, in time for the 1994 spring season.

The new diamond is a great honor for NNC and dedicating the new field to a man such as Elmore Vail is appropriate. Elmore W. Vail, the man from which the new field draws its name, could be argued the "Mr. Baseball" of NNC.

Vail, who died in 1985, attended grammar and high school on this campus, graduating from NNC in 1949. He taught and coached at College High School. He coached more than 16 years, more than any other coach in NNC's history. Joining the staff in 1958.

Vail was head basketball coach one season and an assistant in basketball for a total of 15 years under Orrin Hills. His one year of glory occurred when Hills was on sabbatical Vail compiled a 12-13 record as head basketball coach, not to mention a 150-186 record as the baseball coach.

He was basketball coach and athletic director at Treveca Nazarene College from 1975-78, returning to NNC in 1980.

In 1984 Vail joined the NAIA District II Coaches Hall of Fame. While at NNC, Vail was also Associate Dean of Student's, Athletic Director, Intramural Director, and Professor and Chairman of the Department of Physical Education. In 1974 Vail was honored for community service by the city of Nampa when a softball field was named in his honor.

Vail carried his baseball duties well beyond coaching as he took meticulous care of the old baseball field and certainly would have enjoyed the field today.

Elmore Vail was known as a true gentleman who offered love and understanding, taking time to inquire about the spiritual and physical welfare of athletes and students. So it is with great honor and gratitude that the new field be named after such a noble man as Elmore W. Vail.



Elmore W. Vail as he appeared in the '64 Yearbook (File Photo)

RAD brings crowds, confusion, chaos to NNC

Would-be NNC students gather on the campus from around the Northwest for Regional Activity Days

BY JULIE WEYMOUTH
STAFF WRITER

Regional Activity Days, or RAD, is a memorable time for everyone. NNC students look forward to the few days of extra bodies with justifiable fear.

Wednesday evening kids from all over the U.S. began to trickle in. By Thursday morning the air was filled with voices calling welcome to one another, amid slamming car doors. Yes, it's exciting, but what is the purpose of all this? Is it worth the long lines, rooms full of strangers, and a lot of extra noise?

Freshmen experiencing RAD for the first time share feelings of excitement and interest. Mike Chisman, a past RAD participant stated, "I like RAD. In a generative sense, RAD is good. It gives students a chance to preview the school, to check out different interests that they would like, and different activities that they might participate in. It enables them to meet students from different regions who might have the same interests as they do."

Sophomore Sarah Ellis' feelings after it was all over were, "There were a million of them! But it was still fun, I enjoyed it."

Junior Charlie Gibson explained, "I figure it's o.k. It's good for the students, who are coming in to see NNC, to see how crazy we really are, and it's personally fun for me, because I can embarrass them at lunch." Gibson feels that an improvement that might be considered for future RAD is 24 hour food service.

Senior Dorothy Day stated, "I think it's a good experience for the students who come, it gives them a good chance to view the campus and interact with college students. However, I think that the number of students attending should somehow be cut down, either by splitting them up into two separate dates according to age levels or districts."

What did the participant think about NNC? A consensus of nineteen participants could be summed up with a few choice questions. What did they like best, were NNC students friendly, how was the food, can anything be

done differently in the future?

In answer to the first question they liked having freedom to do whatever they wanted. They also liked the speakers, and enjoyed being involved in the various activities: athletics, quizzing, art, and drama to name a few. They all agreed that we were very friendly, and they liked the food most of the time.

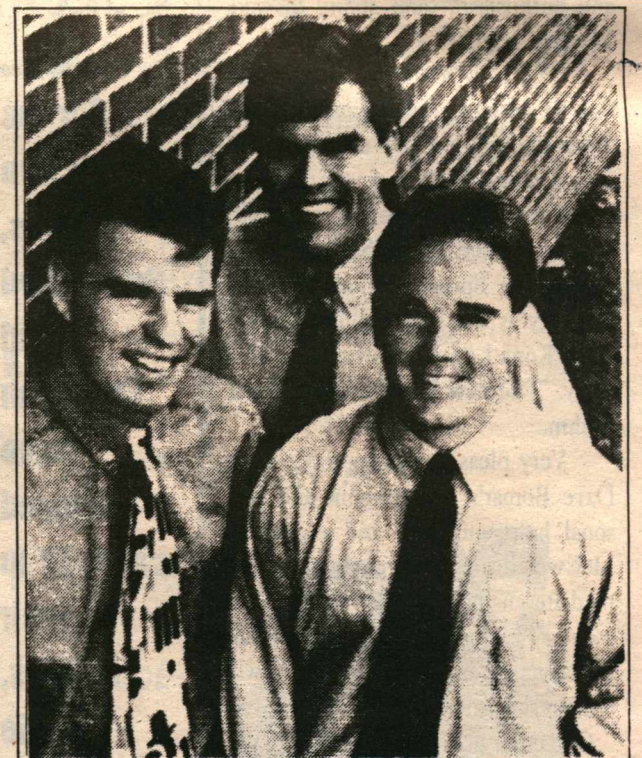
Among the featured guests were comedian Scott Wood, speaker Jim Burns, and musical group Craig Adams and C3, previously on campus last fall with Youth in Missions.

Jim Burns, accomplished author and youth pastor, gave seminars in various workshops on topics such as handling your hormones and praise through hard times.

As one Valley Shephard RAD participant stated, "He approached sex in a new and refreshing way. It wasn't really that bad!"

Tina Vandel, Admissions Counselor, commended Burns on his openness with students, talking with them on his off time as well as the workshop sessions.

Craig Adams and C3 performed at chapel services for Rad participants, and kicked off the awards ceremony Friday evening with



a five song mini concert.

Overall, response from RAD participants was positive. A few improvements some would like to see would be to have later mealtimes, a dorm built especially for them and baseball competitions.

Many participants would like to see RAD held in the summer rather than during the school year.

Craig Adams and C3 entertained RAD students and sponsors during the weekend's activities, closing Friday with a mini concert.

New Crusader Staff takes over

BY JASON ALVIS
STAFF WRITER

If you look hard enough, you can see it. The Crusader has under gone a facelift. The styles have not necessarily changed, nor has the structure of the paper. But look at the small box on the lower left hand corner of page two. After almost every job description, a name different than usual should appear. The Crusader staff of '93-'94 has come and gone and next year's staff is getting an early start for next year. They've actually been preparing since (about) Spring Break. New managing editor Dave McEwen chose his editorial board before Spring Break and they have had extensive meetings since the beginning of the term.

Last term, the Senate and ASNNC Publications Board, along with Carlos Antras chose the McEwen as managing editor based on his experience and "with the understanding that I'll choose an adequate editorial staff," McEwen commented. From there the editorial staff was chosen based on their experience, and enthusiasm (and ability to work Monday nights).

The new assistant Layout and Copy editors are Jeff Gunstream and Tessa Phillips, respectively. Toby Jeffrey replaced Phillips as the Campus editor and Brenda Clough is the Off Campus editor. Rick Skeen will be editing the Sports Section. Andrew Zirschky is the new Opinions editor while Kona Lew takes over the Cover Story. The new Photo editor is Anne Frahm.

Very pleased and appreciative of Dave Bomar's management and personal help, guidance and assistance, McEwen does not have any major immediate changes in store for the Crusader. The logo will be changed, but the structure and format (for now) will remain the same.

One other plan for next year is to put the Crusader out into the community. By producing a few hundred more papers and then dispersing twenty five or thirty at various locations, the Crusader will be seen by local businesses and will attract more advertising.

"Keeping the Crusader in the black is a major goal for next year," said McEwen, "I would like to see a financially sound Crusader."

Class Elections finally over

After Monday's runoffs, the members of each class council and ASNNC Senate have been chosen

BY JASON ALVIS
STAFF WRITER

As students look forward to ushering this school year through, they have already begun (reluctantly) preparing of next year. Preparations started as most students went to the polls to vote for their class officers.

Due to circumstances beyond control, students anxiously waited an extra day before they could hear speeches and cast their votes. Candidates for President and Senators spoke during Tuesday's chapel while the rest of the candidates gave their speeches in Wednesday's chapel. Each class went to a different building so as to utilize time more efficiently.

The individuals elected to office

are: Presidents: sophomore Karl Ganske, junior Patrick Fitzgerald, and senior Misty Linn. Vice Presidents are: sophomore Brad Williamson, junior Angie Secord, and senior Travis Fribberg. Secretaries are: sophomore Donna Kennoyer, junior Tami Hunter, and senior Chantel Cox.

Treasurers are: sophomore Amy Watson, junior Brian Bartlow, and senior Kristina Hedstrom. Chaplains are: sophomore Kevin Farrow, junior Shannon Donovan, and senior Cheryl L. Beebe.

Senate's members are: sophomores Kristie Wattenbarger, Brent Peterson, and Dow Stephens; juniors Roberta Clark, Elizabeth Walker, and Tim Whetstone; seniors Mary Kessel, Jackie Freeman, and Skye Duncan.

Social Board's members are: sophomores Emily Vannoy and Shane Coglin, juniors Jen Wilks and Lori Dayton. No senior social board representatives even ran. If any future seniors desire to serve their class, please see Jami Mittelstaedt.

One interesting individual who ran for office is (current) freshman Karl Ganske. As freshman vice-president, Ganske gained his first experience in student government. His tactics consist of nothing more than being friendly and giving a speech. Very seldom will you see a poster claiming that Karl is the man for the job. He let's his actions say that; and only four posters.

"I put one poster in each freshman dorm and one in the student center just so people would know that I was running" Ganske commented, adding that "posters are messy; I don't like them."

**1994-95
class
presidents:
Senior
Misty Linn
Junior Pat
Fitzgerald
and
Sophomore
Karl
Ganske**

CAMPUS

Cable TV invades guys' dorms

BY ANTHONY SYME
STAFF WRITER

**For the
past two
months,
Sutherland
and
Chapman
have
enjoyed
cable TV in
their
lobbies,
while
upperclass
dorms such
as Dooley
and Corlett
have not.**

The gentlemen in Chapman and Sutherland halls have recently been graced with an expansion of their entertainment palette: cable TV.

Yes, the joys of cable television have been brought into the lives of several hundred young men who have had to endure an existence without it.

What brought about this addition to the exciting lobby culture of post-adolescent underclassmen? The resident directors for Chapman and Sutherland, Al Sjogren and David Miller, say that most of the guys who inquired about cable were interested in sports channels, like ESPN and TBN, although there were a few requests for movie channels and the Discovery Channel.

Both halls have had cable for one or two months, and the monthly bill of \$25-30 is paid for out of dorm funds. David is considering having everyone in Sutherland donate a couple of bucks to cover the costs for the year, freeing up more dorm money for other activities. He indicates that if there is ever a shortage of funds for Sutherland activities, the cable will more

than likely be cancelled.

There have been only a few instances of guys asking for cable in their own rooms. Sjogren has had a few people inquire about it, but did not authorize any individual boxes to be installed in any of the rooms. Both RD's are concerned over liability. If a resident failed to pay for his bill, the entire dorm or even the school

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could be held accountable for the debt. Sjogren was also not keen about the prospect of having zillions of cable wires hanging out everywhere, as repairs and removals could become a costly hassle.

Student development also has an interest in the matter. Although cable TV programming has not been much of an issue, Dr. Ken Hills, Vice President for

Student Development, says that NNC is concerned about allowing certain programming to be viewed in private that would otherwise be rejected for official campus activities by the EEC (Entertainment Evaluation Committee).

While there is no written rule against cable in general, Dr. Hills indicates that the school is striving for consistency in enforcing institutional standards within the campus community.

NNC isn't interested in policing every aspect of the personal lives of the students, but the reasoning is, if it can't be shown on campus, why should it be allowed in the dorm rooms?

There is, of course, the possibility of students tuning into certain taboo stations. As of the moment,

certain cable programs are blocked out in the dorm lobbies, including the movie channels and MTV, no doubt inspired by such quality family-fare like "Beavis and Butthead."

Whatever happens, the RD's of Chapman and Sutherland are willing to cooperate fully with the school on any policies concerning cable TV.

CAMPUS

Northwesterners' Oklahoma! this year's spring musical

Spectacular set, dynamic sound to Science Lecture Hall

By TOBY JEFFREY
CAMPUS EDITOR

Starting May 12th, the NNC Northwesterners will be presenting five nightly performances of Rogers & Hammerstein's musical "Oklahoma!"

The spring musical put on by the Northwesterners has been an annual event much anticipated by NNC students, faculty as well as the local community. Last year 'Fiddler On The Roof' was performed in front of packed houses, setting a precedent for perfection.

Through a month of practices, this year's cast is very excited about the work they have done. Barry Swanson said, "This is going to be a very good show, the cast is fitting their characters very well." Swanson also added, "Practice has gone very well, everybody is working really hard toward making this show a great one."

Many different aspects are involved in this year's production. According to Swanson the sets are 'the best we've had so far'. A lot of extra work has gone into the sets and Swanson believes they will come across as much more colorful and realistic to the audience.

This year's show will also feature the largest accompaniment orchestra the Northwesterners have used. As compared to last year's seven piece orchestral accompaniment, "Oklahoma" will feature a 15 piece band including several musicians from NNC's band.

Student involvement is also a strong aspect in the production of "Oklahoma". Christin Quissel is the drama director as well as playing the role of Ado Annie in the musical.

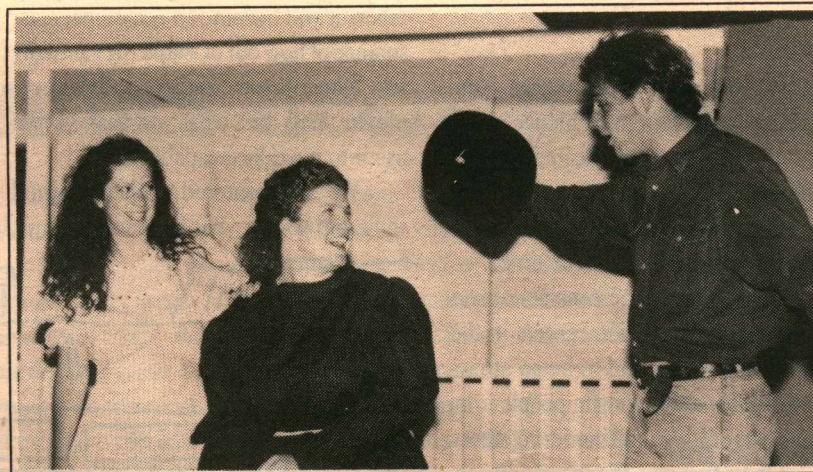
Junior Matt McCaslin is filling the role of choreography, and according to Swanson is the perfect man for the job.

This year's musical is a must see for everyone. Tickets are available in the bookstore and the music office, \$4 for students, \$5 for adults.

In order to fill the seats on opening night, Thursday the 12th, tickets will be available to students for a reduced price of \$3 after 5:00 PM at the door. Swanson warned students to get their tickets soon.

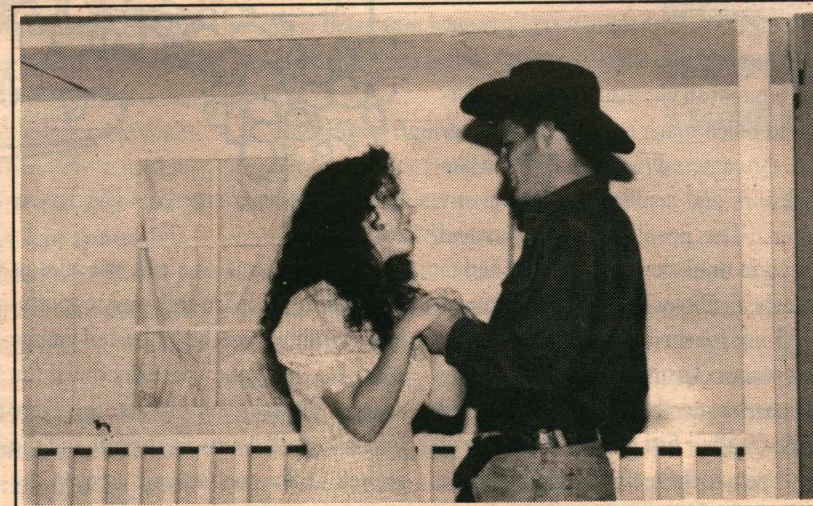


Christin Quissel and Dan Freeborn sing to each other in "Oklahoma!" (Swanson)



Above: Carly and Laurey sing to Aunt Eller, played by Paige Crafton

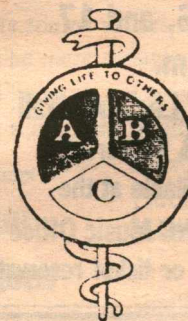
Below: Carlan Westbrook and Will Bennett share a tender moment. (Swanson)



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This week's ads are free. The ads we have published in this 22 issue on the 3rd of May have no obligation and are a simple gesture of our good faith.

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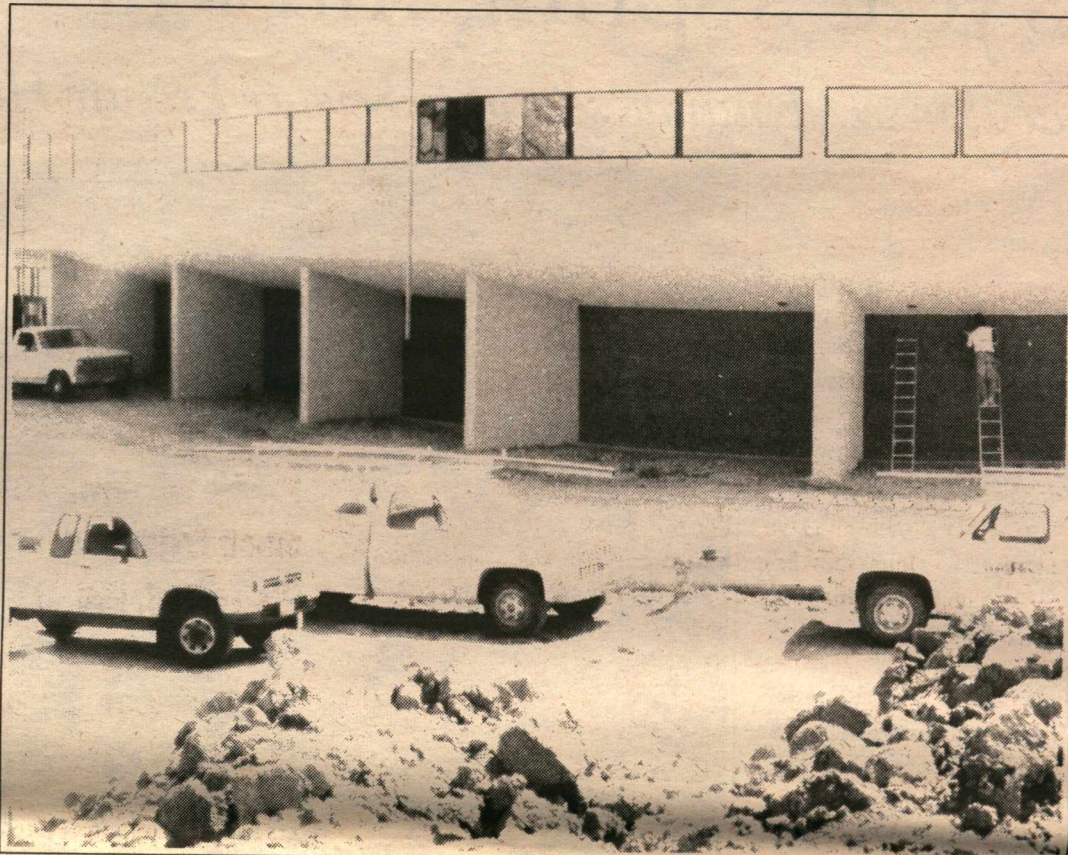
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Rec Center lures over 3,000



The New Nampa Rec Center is well on it's way to becoming the hot spot for fitness in southern Idaho (Frahm)

BY JEFF GUNSTREAM
LAYOUT EDITOR

If you haven't already heard, Nampa's newest modern convenience is open for business. The new Recreation Center has finally opened up for public viewing, for that matter most of the public could view it, all at the same time.

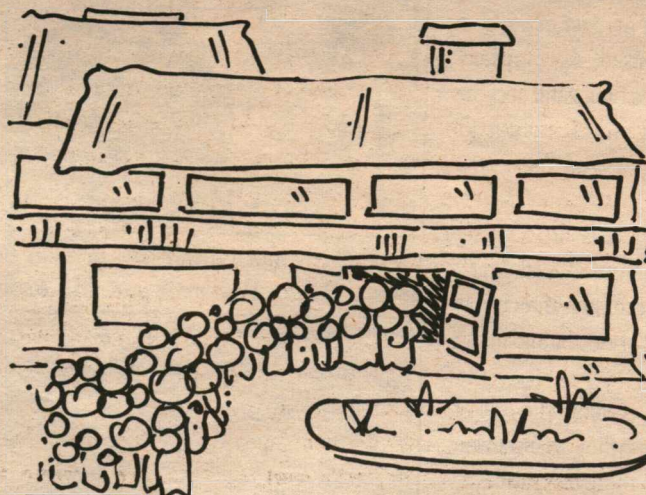
Because it will be considered one of the largest recreation centers in the Northwest, it is bound to be an attraction, capable of bringing in people from all corners of Idaho and bordering states.

On its first day, the recreation center expected to have over three thousand visitors. When they opened on the morning of the 25th there were lines out the doors and into the parking lot. The day brought all yhe visitors they expected and much much more. Chuck Kingston, the centers director, said, "It ran like clockwork and couldn't have been any better. The people were curious and flowed in until closing time. We had to clear the facility well after closing time."

Kingston believes that within the next two weeks most of the community and charter members will have stepped inside for their first glance. For some of these people the rec. center will become

a place of daily routine and sweat. For others it will become an occasional reassurance of how out of shape they actually are. The incentive is there and the people are here, but what will make them use it to it's fullest capabilities?

We have entered a place beyond sight and sound. We have left Nampa,



Idaho. We have entered "The Recreation Zone."

Upon arrival one can see almost every corner of space and every opportunity available from the lobby and lounge area. As you make your way down the center walkway, you can see the three full basketball courts on the left and the glassed in six pool aquatic area on the

right. Making our way to the end we can see the spacious, multi-pieced weight room on the left and locker rooms on the right. Up the stairs and to our immediate right is a wooden-floored unfinished area, soon to be used for ballet and dance classes of sorts and locker rooms on the left. Ahead we see a long strip of exercise equipment with a variety of upcoming classes offered by the rec. center.

On opening day there were a variety of people there just to see what the fuss was all about. There were people in suits and dresses on treadmills and others in full workout attire on exercise bikes.

The recreation center will be a great source of fitness and fun for the whole family. A place for the large and small, young and old to feel good about themselves and their community. The opportunities the center creates will take Nampa closer to becoming a progressive and family oriented community than it has ever been.

SMELLS OF NAMPA

Taco Johns, the hidden smell within

It's a nice place to eat, but don't plan on moving in for extended periods of time

BY ANNE FRAHM
AND CRUSADER PRESS SERVICE
STAFF WRITERS

Our last smells of Nampa trip took us to the Carnation Potato plant. When we arrived, we noticed that the usual baby crap smell was not present. Perhaps this was due to the fact that the factory seemed pretty much deserted and there wasn't any processing going on, or they just decided to change the baby's diaper. Anyway, we were trying to think of what to do when we got a hot tip from Dave McEwen about something that has been right under our noses (literally) all along. Taco John's.

For you to fully understand the degree of experience we have in knowing the smell of Taco John's, we must break down and confess that we have worked at this fine establishment.

The average patron of Taco John's will never really notice the overwhelming aroma that the workers must deal with, day in and day out. This is the smell that clings to your clothes months

after you have washed them and stored them away. It is the smell that causes your loved ones to choke and run as you walk through the door.

This smell is unlike any of the other smells we have experienced on this tour de Nampa. It goes much further than the smell. In fact, it's so bad, you can feel it all over your body. Have you ever had that not so fresh feeling? This is the feeling they were talking about.

The usual routine at most restaurants or fast food establishments is to clock off, and go about life as normal. But this is not so at Taco John's. Of course, we do clock off, but after that it's a mad dash for the door and the nearest body of water in which the grease may be washed off in. Maybe some guys from Sutherland could use this smell as a method for clearing the group showers. You would definitely be assured of that private shower you've been hoping for all term.

You know the smell is bad when you're watching a movie with your family, and during a dining scene your mother thinks that she is smelling the

food that is being shown in the movie when in all actuality you are just sitting across the room from her. Honest. True story.

To keep the smell of tacos from infecting ones home and car, drastic measures must be taken. For example, many employees have learned how to properly fold all of the smell into a ball underneath their bed. Other

attend this fine institution prefers to chuck the uniform out the back door until the next shift. An occasional rain manages to dilute the smell so that customers in the drive through won't faint when a slight breeze blows.

The source of this stench, is the fryer. The mere thought of this word sends shivers up my spine. There is nothing worse than standing over it as

Potato Oles cook (seems kind of coincidental that the last three smells have dealt with potatoes) and the evaporated grease attaches itself all over your face and clothes. After an intensive taco shell frying ses-

sion you can scrape your face and actually see a difference in color.

Taco John's. It's a lovely place to visit, but I really wouldn't want to live there.

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ers like myself have perfected the art of speed changing, and can easily be out of the uniform and have it stuffed under the car seat in 30 seconds flat. Another employee who happens to

An occasional rain manages to dilute the smell so that customers in the drive through won't faint when a slight breeze blows through the store.

Violent crimes decrease across the nation

1993's violent offenses were 3 percent less numerous than 1992's, marking the second year in a row that such a decrease occurred.

BY JOHN FRALEY
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As a tough response to what is continually perceived as an ever-rising national crime problem, Congress is expected to shortly pass a no-nonsense anticrime bill. As refreshing as this serious attitude may be, our nation's trend toward self-destruction may be reversing itself.

Indeed, the FBI released figures on Sunday that seem to point to an overall decrease in violent crimes nationwide.

1993's violent offenses were 3 percent less numerous than 1992's, marking the second year in a row that such a decrease occurred (violent crimes fell 1 percent the year before last). So after an 11 percent rise in '90 and a 5 percent rise in '91, this country could be becoming a safer place to live.

However, FBI Director Louis J. Freeh failed to express any relief concerning the reassuring statistics, pointing out that murders rose about 3 percent

between '92 and '93.

He went on to say that "the nation must find ways to achieve large crime reductions that are permanent". Due to how underlying America's crime problems remain, he went on to caution that our situation is "so grave that few Americans will find much comfort in a small reduction" of serious crimes.

Furthermore, although national crime is becoming less common, Boise has not in the least become a safer place to live.

February figures indicated that reported crime increased for the fourth consecutive year. Property crimes jumped 2.5 percent, burglaries were up 9 percent, and violent crimes rose at an astonishing 19 percent clip. Following the national trend, homicides, rapes, and robbery dropped, but assault reports drove the violent crime figures up.

Sociologists assert that Congress' decision to act was prompted by the

public's fear as to the new type of violence that is publicized by the media.

According to the Idaho Statesman, USC Sociology Professor Marcus Felson maintains that "dramatic slayings",

glaries and arsons, 4 percent fewer car thefts, and 2 percent fewer larceny/theft-type crimes. In addition, while murders rose, forcible rape and robbery fell by 4 and 2 percent respectively.

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Louis J. Freeh, FBI Director

though they make up a negligible minority, "capture a large portion of attention". Therefore, the public would seem to be reacting in an extreme fashion to a marginal problem.

Apparently, what the statistics reflect most is a drop in property crimes. In 1992, there were 6 percent fewer bur-

Nonetheless, Felson dismissed these decreases as mere "zigs and zags at a high level."

He synthesized by saying that "when crime rates have quadrupled [as they have in the last 30 years], then 2 or 3 percent up or down after that is a kind of distraction."

Regionally speaking, the Northeast can boast of the best decline in crime—5 percent. The Midwest reported a 3 percent drop, and both the West and the South claimed a 2 percent decrease.

WORLD

Sexual harassment not understood in Russia

There are many women who will now freely trade sexual favors for salary and perks, because good jobs are scarce.

BY BRENDA CLOUGH
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A secretary's position was advertised in a recent Moscow newspaper along with qualifications such as computer skills, typing, English, and German. Below the article, it specified that applicants should be 18 to 25, 5 feet 7 inches and have long hair. This is commonplace in Russian newspapers.

Some employers also require "bez kompleksov" -- "without inhibitions". It is not frowned upon to grope the secretary or to offer to discuss a filing clerk's raise after work in a hotel room -- and dismiss her if she refuses.

The new Russia has more than just a problem with violence, it is also led by a strong sense of permissiveness that is supported by pornographic videos, sexy advertising, nightclubs, casinos, beauty contests, nude pinups and open prostitution. This society has produced a workplace full of sexual trampling that is now

longer possible in the United States.

"Women view their bodies as a way of furthering their careers, that's just the way it is," said Igor Bunin, the author of a study on the "new Russian businessmen" published this month. "Sexual harassment is absolutely not a real problem in Russia. I assure you there is no opposition on the part of women to this."

This year in Barnaul, a city in Southern Siberia, Russia's first sexual harassment case went to court. It involved a general practitioner at a municipal clinic who complained that her boss repeatedly grabbed and groped her in his office, threatening to fire her if she resisted. Despite her tapes and witnesses, the city's health care administrators ignored her and the Russian newspapers didn't even cover the case.

Most Russian men dismiss the issue of sexual harassment as just another silly Western hang-up. The women at least admit the problem exists, but accept it as an unpleasant fact of life. The jokes and

remarks that would be considered harassment in the United States are so common in Russia the people don't even recognize them as harassment.

Valentina Konstantinova, a researcher at the Center for Gender Studies

ment. They generally deal with unequal pay or the loss of women's jobs. One more extreme case involves a 19-year-old woman working in advertising. Her employers gang-raped her after a dinner they held to celebrate her promotion.

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blames the harassment on democracy. He said, "Before the view of Russian men was as creatures without willpower who drink too much. Now they have the ability to make money, they want everything in this life. They have that macho feeling."

A few Russia's have decided to wage their own personal war against harass-

The sexual standards women live by have changed. There are many women who will now freely trade sexual favors for salary and perks, because good jobs are scarce and employers can easily replace stubborn employees with more willing ones. Job applicants who don't want to sleep with their new bosses

commonly write "intim nye predlagat" (no intimate relations) on their resumes.

Yaroslav Angleyuk manages The Moscow Women's Bank, which does some banking, but also hires waitresses for a nightclub. He explained, "If a woman working for me gets married, I fire her."

Rwandan civil war leaves over 100,000 dead

Innocent civilians are being systematically slaughtered just for looking like a Tutsi.

BY TOBY JEFFREY
CAMPUS EDITOR

With the world's eyes intently watching the history taking place in the former Yugoslavia and South Africa, another small African nation is quietly destroying itself.

Located in Central Africa, the nation of Rwanda is involved in a four week old civil war. Well over 200,000 people have been killed in the clash which began when the country's president was killed in a mysterious plane crash on April 6.

The warring is an extension of a four decade long battle between the majority Hutus, who dominate the government and the military, and the minority Tutsis.

When the Rwandan president's plane crashed the clash began almost immediately. Government troops began sporadic but intense fighting with the Tutsi Rwandan Patriotic Front in

and around the country's capital city of Kigali.

The majority Hutus formed marauding bands of guerrilla fighters who began to roam the country systematically slaughtering innocent civilians simply for looking like a Tutsi.

The majority of the death toll is because of this genocide and not as a

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result of the actual warfare between the government troops and the rebel Tutsi forces. In a recent interview with the Associated Press, an unnamed civilian who was forced to flee the country gave a personal account of the situation, "In my neighborhood alone more than 1,000 Tutsis have been murdered...Anybody who tried to flee was killed on the streets.

And people who were found hiding were massacred immediately."

The man also described how his front yard was used as a place to kill Tutsis that had been found, "I saw at least 100 people killed on the street in front of my house. It was terrible. It was beyond imagination." The unidentified man spent three weeks fleeing the country to avoid slaughter because he looked like a Tutsi.

Well over a million Rwandans have been forced from their homes by the fighting as well as the massacres. The neighboring country of Tanzania has received over 250,000 refugees in this past week alone. One UN official described the mass exodus as the largest and quickest movement of people the UN has ever seen.

Late Friday the rebel Tutsis cut off the roads that lead to Tanzania, stranding an estimated 200,000 more refugees. One Red Cross official described the Kagera river, which runs along the Rwandan Tanzanian border as a river clogged with dead bodies.

Red Cross workers said they also heard heavy gunfire from inside Rwanda, raising fears that the rebels were beginning to attack the defenseless

refugees.

A small force of UN peacekeepers in the capital of Kigali, has been helpless to do any thing but watch helplessly. UN president Boutros-Ghali made an appeal for the UN to make a more 'forceful' action.

The countries location in the highlands of central Africa is one reason for the lack of international notice. One Red Cross official described the nation as a true 'Heart of Darkness'. News and updates on the fighting is slow and sketchy because of the remote location of the nation.

After four weeks of fighting, there is no sign of letting up. United States officials have been hesitant to make any statements regarding the possibility of U.S. intervention or help, since US foreign policy shies away from Civil War and Foreign wars. There has been talk though of possibly organizing an African military coalition which would be supported by the US and other European countries.

The unfortunate reality may be that the United States may be forced to watch the slaughter in another country much like we did in the late 70's in Cambodia.

Source: The Idaho Statesman

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NATION

Historical elections feature African National Congress

ANC on South Africa's ballots for the first time

BY TOBY JEFFREY
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The scene was surprisingly calm in Johannesburg South Africa as the ballots were being counted Saturday, just one day after the landmark election with all races being eligible to vote.

According to front runner, and more than likely president-elect, Nelson Mandela, "we are confident that we will be able to pronounce these elections as having been free and fair."

As the world watched with much anticipation, South Africa began its first all-race elections this past Tuesday.

The day preceding the elections was marred by white right wing extremist bombs. But much to everyone's surprise, once the elections started things quieted down extremely.

Nikki Moore, is a spokeswoman for the Independent Electoral Commission, a local non-partisan group that has run the elections and will determine the validity and decide the outcome.

She said, "It's all quiet, no violence, no conflict, no intimidation, no irregularities that we know of."

Throughout the three days of elections, images of long lines of voters extending for miles could be seen, as record numbers showed up to place their votes.

Many voted for the first time ever in their lives. One woman showed up being pushed in a wheelchair, claiming her lifetime goal was to be able to vote for Nelson Mandela, tears filled her eyes as this dream became reality Thursday.

On Thursday, government officials agreed to extend the voting one day in six, pre-dominantly black provinces. This decision gave many blacks

living in extremely remote areas a chance to vote.

An estimated 22.5 million votes were cast throughout South Africa by secret ballot. Throughout the week-end armored vehicles were seen transporting the ballot boxes to the 650 official counting sites throughout the country.

Since the ballots have to be counted by hand, results of the voting are being released as they come in.

The African National Congress party began its celebration of victory on Saturday even though the vote count had only just begun.

ANC candidate Mandela has also begun to hint at what he plans to do when he takes office. Mandela told foreign reporters that his primary goal was to "heal the wounds of the past", he also played off the possibility of neo-Nazi violence.

The African National Congress party began its celebration of victory on Saturday even though the vote count had only just begun. ANC candidate Mandela has also begun to hint at what he plans to do when he takes office.

As of Monday afternoon, the ANC reported it had achieved a solid victory in the voting for the first post-apartheid parliament. The ANC did admit that the lopsided majority it had hoped for would not be achieved, which would have given Mandela a free hand in writing the new constitution.

Current president F.W. deKlerk,

showed obvious relief that his predominantly white National Party had achieved enough votes to establish itself as a strong minority party.

In picking up a fraction of the black vote, the National Party ensured its future both short and long-range. In the short term, it will definitely have a say in writing a new constitu-

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Edwin Nyatlo, supervisor for voting in a northern province.

tion, since it can claim to speak for about one-third of all South Africans.

In the long term, it will be the main opposition party Mandela will have to deal with.

Government officials declared that out of approximately 10 million votes counted, the ANC had received approximately 55% of the votes while the National Party had pulled in about 31%.

Many questions have been raised as to whether a new majority rule government would be able to make effective changes to benefit the country.

Critics have said South Africa will become just another embattled, strife ridden African country. Others have said that the ANC may find it much easier to oppose a government than to actually run one.

Regardless of what is said, the words of Edwin Nyatlo supervisor for the voting in a northern province, hold a lot of truth, "I think for the majority of people, it was a victory just to vote."

He added, "Whatever happens afterward, it was a victory. Even if the government-in-waiting does not deliver the goods, they're happy."

Source: The Idaho Statesman

BRIEFLY

Grenada embassy to be closed

Less than a decade after the United States invaded Grenada and

turned away a left-wing government, the Clinton administration announced that the U.S. embassy erected there will be closed in order to save money.

With the end of the cold war, the administration has decided that the island, which recently resumed diplomatic relations with Cuba, is of little strategic importance.

"This action is to be taken only in response to budgetary pressures and in no way reflects on Grenadian-American relations," the State Department said.

Mountain lion kills California jogger

A mountain lion suspected of killing and partially eating a woman jogger on a park trail was treed and shot to death Sunday after a week long hunt.

Barbara Schoener, 40, was mauled to death April 23 as she ran along a path in the Auburn State Recreation Area west of Sacramento. She was the first person killed by a cougar in California this century, state Fish and Game officials said.

Trespasser at Letterman's home

Margaret Ray, 42, has been arrested numerous times for trespassing, and recently was sentenced to four months in prison for failing to visit her probation officer in Connecticut.

Ray, who has been mentioned on Letterman's show numerous times, was first arrested in 1988 when she was unable to pay a \$3.00 toll and identified herself as Letterman's wife while driving his Porsche in New York City.

Gomer sings at Indianapolis 500

Nabors will be able to show at his annual singing appearance at the Indianapolis 500, and isn't about to let a little thing like a liver transplant stop him.

The singer-actor best known for his TV role as Gomer Pyle has been singing at the racetrack for two decades.

"The race is one of the things I look forward to every year," Nabors told The Indianapolis News in a story published Saturday, "I don't want to miss it."

Peace force kills nine Serbs

The Bosnian Serb authorities said Sunday

that nine Serbian soldiers were killed and four wounded on Friday in a clash with U.N. peacekeeping forces near the northern town of Tuzla.

The incident appeared to be the worst clash on the ground between U.N. forces in Bosnia and the Bosnian Serbs since fighting began in the former Yugoslav republic two years ago. U.N. peacekeeping forces kill nine in clash with Serbs.

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