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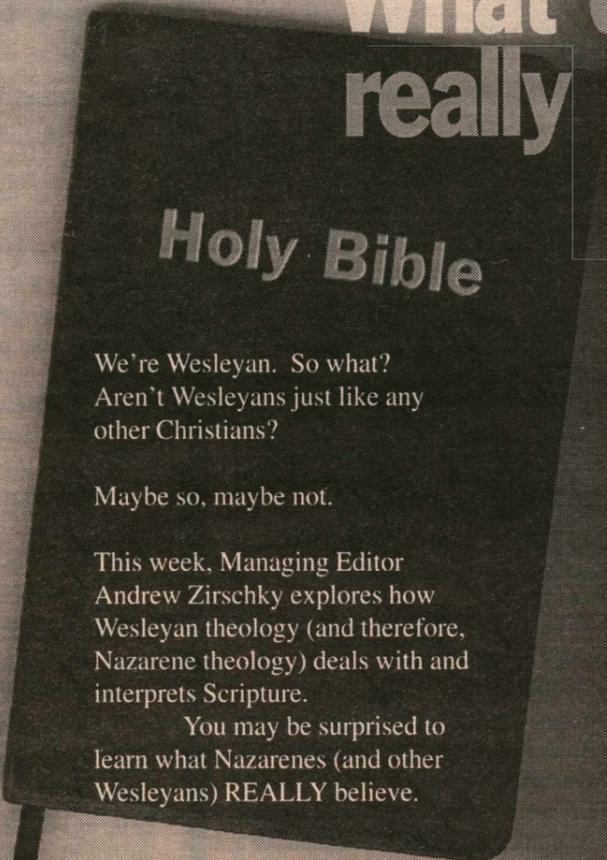
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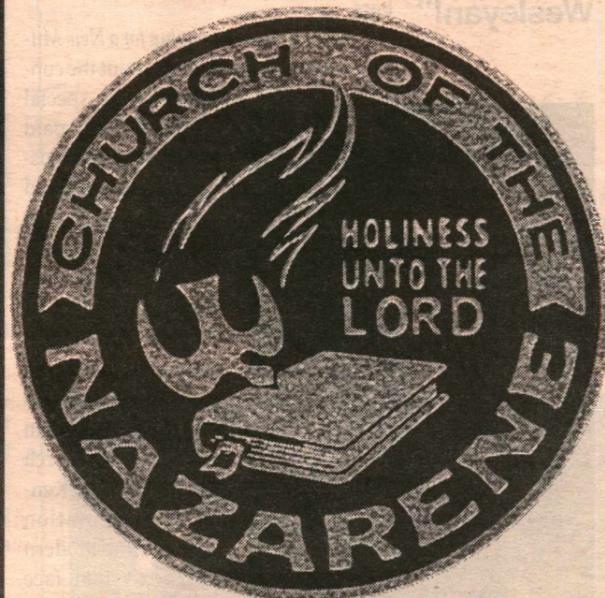
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What do Nazarenes really believe about Scripture?



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Who dunnit?

Clue Murder-Mystery Valentine's Banquet

The theme of this year's ASNNC Valentine's Banquet is "Clue Murder Mystery," and students will have the chance to earn money while they put their detective skills to work.

The Banquet will be held in the main dining room this Saturday, February 10, at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$2 (with a meal plan) and will be on sale Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Students are encouraged to dress as a clue character (Miss Scarlett), or a detective from any TV mystery show ("Matlock," "Murder, She Wrote"). Teams will be divided up by tables; your table is your team. The team's job is to solve who the murderer was, where the murder was committed, and what weapon was used. Each person on the winning team wins \$20; the second place team members will each receive \$10, and third place \$5.

According to Stephens, the menu will be different than what is normally served at a banquet of this sort.

"I wanted a classy approach," Stephens said. "I want the students to have a really nice banquet."

Among other thing, the menu will include Ceasar Salad and Coq au Vin (chicken in wine sauce) over angel-hair pasta.

(By Helen Warriner, Staff Writer)

We made a slight mistake . . .

First, the global section contained a content error in last week's issue. The first line of the "Americans like Bill, hate Hillary" article accidentally implied by its phraseology that Bill Clinton was testifying in the Whitewater case last week (He is this week, but that's beside the point). The lead sentence should have read, "Hillary Clinton's testimony in the White-water case was a low point in an otherwise successful week for the Clinton White House." We apologize about the error -- especially to the writer, Shannon Donivan (Okay, Shannon, you can let me out of the head lock now).

Second, our cover story incorrectly reported that antidepressants can be obtained through a licensed professional with a master's degree. In actuality they must be prescribed by a physician or psychiatrist. Boy, after all these errors, maybe we need to see someone about some anti-depressants..

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Cavalcade

NNC's Crusader Choir, opened its production of "Calvacade- A Musical Revue," February 1st and will be presenting the performance again next week. *Calvacade* is a compilation of famous songs from the screen and stage, brought together as a benefit for the Crusader Choir's upcoming European tour.

Director Adam Duncan says of *Calvacade*, "This is a non-traditional Crusader Choir kind of thing. We are traditionally a conservative, sacred music style." *Calvacade* has the feel of "a production in production." Choreography, costumes, and props play a part in the production. *Calvacade* is an original idea which was in part developed by NNC graduate Matt McCaslin, who wrote the script, helped choose the music, and is assisting Duncan as stage manager. The main characters are a director and a stage manager, played by Ron and Heide Curtis, Crusader Choir sponsors. The theme is the different stages of putting together a large stage production, and the concerns of those involved. One hint-look for sparks between the main characters.

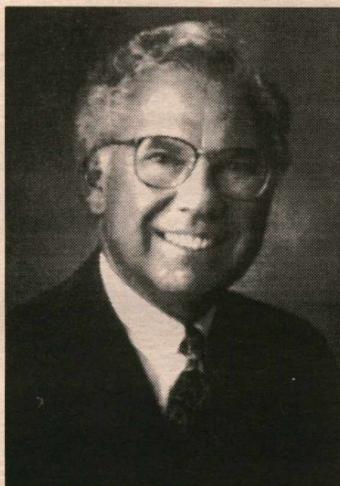
Remaining dates of performance are Thursday Feb. 15th at 7:00 P.M., and Saturday Feb. 17th at both 1:00 and 7:00 P.M. Tickets are available at the bookstore or the Music Department office, ext. 8413. Prices are \$5.00 general admission, \$4.00 for NNC students. Also, there is a special group discount for students- 10 or more tickets bought together are \$3.00.

Conference encourages leadership for the future

"Thank God, what a time to be a Wesleyan!"

Wesleyan scholars, pastors and laymen gathered over the weekend at NNC for the third annual Wesleyan Center for Applied Theology (WES-CAT) conference. Though the gathering was smaller than in previous years, the quality of the presentations and discussions made up for lack of numbers.

The theme, *Leadership for a New Millennium* was echoed throughout the conference, with special attention being paid to the area of Christian professional and family leadership for the future.



Dr. David McKenna

Dr. David McKenna, former president of Asbury Theological Seminary, delivered the keynote address Thursday evening in the College Church sanctuary. McKenna's presentation outlined the modern paradox's that face mankind at the turn of the millennia and

how Wesleyanism is particularly well equipped to take the lead in service to God and fellow men. He outlined the message that Wesley can communicate to modern Christians and the optimism that this message can produce in lives, churches and communities.

In the spiritually and intellectually challenging three point address, Dr. McKenna stressed the importance of making faith a matter of conscious conviction and critical thinking. Secondly, he emphasized the need for a balance of beauty and truth in song worship and witness. He also made a plea for the re-uniting of social and personal holiness in the Wesleyan ethic. He concluded his address with the exclamation, "Thank

God, what a time to be a Wesleyan!" This optimistic tenor was affirmed the week-end long through numerous presentations and responses. Responding directly to Dr. McKenna, NNC's Dr. Sam Dunn delivered a paper on the probable realities and problems that mankind and Christians will face in the third millennium. The futurist paper outlined the numerous trends developing that will affect the witness and message of Wesleyan Christianity. Dunn believes that Wesleyanism, with its embracing of science, openness to other Christian denominations, and optimistic outlook will be the prime contender to meet the religious needs of men in the next millennia.

Commissioner Andrew Miller, retired National Commander for the Salvation Army, presented the idea of integrated social and personal holiness for being the most effective in spiritual leadership in modern society. His main emphasis was on the unification of so-

cial work and inner individual piety that when taken together and done with love, fulfill the spiritual needs of others and oneself in the most meaningful and effective way. Using a visual concept for the balanced Christian ministry, Miller clasped his hands above his head tightly (one hand signifying social work, the other personal holiness) claiming, "If we do it right you can't tell whether what we are doing is social or spiritual."

Many attendees mentioned the profound wisdom in Miller's words. Dave Giles, a Biblical Literature major at NNC said, "He was a moving speaker. He knew from experience and an inner surety that what he said was true. Serving is not just helping others but also the best way to build our own spirituality, through the heart of a servant."

Several other presenters gave addresses focusing on the importance of Christian ethics in the work place. Dr. Al Truesdale of the Nazarene Theological Seminary spoke on building personal integrity as the foundation for a Christian witness in the professional world.

Ronald Mercer, former president of Xerox Canada, addressed the concern that Christians must live by Christian principles and not by Christian patterns in the secular world. Gordon Harter, an NNC graduate and member of the Board of Regents, followed the message in the book of James, emphasizing the corollary of "how then shall we live?" as "how then shall we work?" His response was that if there are questionable practices in ones business dealings, it is not a reflection of their work ethic, but of problems in their relationship with Christ.

Leslie Parrott of Seattle Pacific University presented the major address in the area of building Christian families in the future. She stressed the importance of teaching virtues through the understanding of broad scriptural principles and thinking on real-life situations. She also emphasized the effectiveness of developing a family value curriculum built through bringing scripture to life, imparting the meaning of great moral stories, building a family backbone through heritage and family tradition and modelling personal faith through prayer and meditation.

The conference concluded Saturday with workshops on family and professional leadership and a banquet.

The Wesleyan Center for Applied Theology is a center founded by Northwest Nazarene College focussed on enriching the mission of NNC through the scholarly study of essential ideas of Wesleyan theology. It encourages growth and extension of the church in the application of these essential ideals in a personal and social context. The center hold its annual conference the first weekend in February.

A compilation of the papers presented at the conference are available through Graduate Studies and Continuing Education in Mangum Hall.

By DAVE ROEMHILDT
ASSISTANT EDITOR

"If we do it right you can't tell whether what we are doing is social or spiritual."



Commissioner Andrew Miller

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✓ Social Vice President

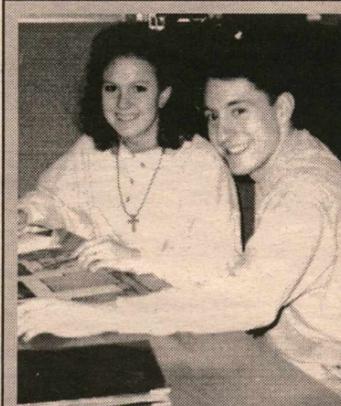
Michelle Stephens announced that work on the Valentines Extravaganza has been going smoothly. The theme will be a clue/Murder Mystery. The dinner begins 8:00 p.m., with hors d'oeuvres served at 7:30. The banquet will take place on Saturday Feb., 10th. Students are encouraged to come as their favorite mystery character. Tickets will be on sale in the student center Wednesday through Friday. The cost is \$4.00 with out a meal plan, \$2.00, and FREE with SAC.

✓ This week SB9602-01 will go before senate. The bill pertains to the purchasing of more student directories for transfer students.

✓ Executive Vice President

Clark encouraged students to sign up for ASNNC offices. Sign ups go up on Feb. 12th and campaigning begins on the 19th. Speeches and elections will be 26th.

✓ This past week Dr. Darrell Marks, Vice President for Institutional Advancement had a quadruple bi pass. The Dr. is reported recovering well. He will be returning home this afternoon and will be spending a couple of weeks



Jason Rowinski, Student Body President of Mount Vernon Nazarene College visited NNC last weekend, and spent some time with fiancée -- NNC Social VP Michelle Stephens. As they say, it's a match made at Nazarene Student Leadership Conference.

in continued recovery.

✓ In other news, Chaplain Gene Schandorff is rumored to be starting his own ski shop. Specializing in ski-boot downsizing, Schandorff is expected to open his shop sometime in June. Although still without a name, rumor has it the shop will be called Gene's Tiny Skis.

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TIM SCHLACK
CAMPUS EDITOR

Junior drama aims for the big bucks

The Butler Did It premieres tomorrow and runs through Saturday

The Junior class drama is an NNC tradition spanning half a century. Though an exciting event popular with students, the play rarely turns a profit in the box office.

"The Juniors have always had this play. Every class is required to do one thing, and this is our huge all-school event," said Ray Gibler, President of the Junior class.

According to Gibler, the Junior class presents a play every winter in hopes of clearing enough profit to send students to Junior/Senior Retreat.

"[The] last few years it wasn't possible," said Gibler. Even though 1995's production of *Noises Off* was a tremendous success, it only made \$100 because of the expensive set, which was a two-story, reversible design.

"This year we could make some good money," said Gibler.

"We haven't spent too much on costumes or set. Most people came up with their own [costumes]," said actress Chris Wiers.

The actors and actresses have been rehearsing with director Brooke Ferdinand 2 hours a day, 6 days a week, since the beginning of winter term. In addition, they built the set, and have had to schedule around other events, such as the Crusader Choir Cavalcade, using the Science Lecture Hall.

At least 15 people are involved

with the performance, including make-up and costume artists, and stage hands.

The Butler Did It is an English mystery farce involving writers who gather for a weekend mystery party on Turkey Island. An actual murder takes place, and the writers must discover the culprit before they are killed.

"I don't have any fun at school if I don't [participate in the play]. Last term I was on the Dean's List. This term I probably won't, but I'll be a lot happier," said actor Chris Readmond.

"I think it's really, really fun," said actress Holly Quick, "I haven't gotten tired of it."

Wiers said, "Acting is my first love and my passion. It's like a bug you catch and it doesn't go away."

Tickets cost \$3 for adults, \$2 for students, and are available in the NNC Bookstore, or the Nazarene Federal Credit Union. Performances are Feb 7-9, at 7:30 p.m. and Feb 10 at 2 p.m.

Fogerson: ministering to people

"The Church needs to be a place that people want to come..."

Senior class chaplain Jean Fogerson filled one of the most visible student ministry positions on campus last year. As an assistant to campus chaplain Gene Schandorff, she helped to keep chapel running smoothly, flipped transparencies, and assisted in various planning capacities.

Fogerson's service continues this year. One of her primary duties on campus is coordinating Accountability Groups. Students involved in these meet together regularly to share their lives as Christians and to support each other's faith.

Fogerson also directs her energy toward senior class Bible studies each Monday at 10:00 p.m. in the prayer chapel under Williams Hall. "Everyone is invited to come!" encourages Fogerson.

As a senior studying special ministries, she hopes to become a youth or children's minister. The internship she is currently participates in at First Church in Nampa is with the children. It is both a ministry and an education for her.

"What [am I going] to do when I grow up?" is an important question Fogerson finds students facing throughout college. It is difficult to prepare for future service without knowing which area to pursue.

Her focus also extends beyond the campus and into the church as a whole. She believes that one of the primary



Senior Jean Fogerson is headed for service as a children's pastor.

issues in the church today is keeping the focus on God while maintaining relationships with others. It is vital to avoid turning the church into a club, a duty, or simply a place to go.

"A lot of people that come to church aren't very committed. They are so busy, pulled in so many directions," Fogerson said.

It is difficult to minister effectively to people who do not attend regularly or who attend primarily for feelings of guilt or duty.

"The church needs to be a place that people want to come, and it needs

to have really good substance," she said.

Another important and difficult struggle she sees in the church is that of meeting the changing needs of the people. If they are not reached, the goals of the church as a ministry organization will not be met.

"The church is continually in a process of adjusting to the culture. Not necessarily accommodating it, but continually adjusting to the needs of people that come," explained Fogerson.

By DEBI CARTER
STAFF WRITER

Vehlow brings order to NNC classrooms

Down-to-earth teacher (and judge) encourages students to think critically



Dr. Karen Vehlow (file photo)

Vehlow is a professor whose combination of interests and activities merge to make her a valuable part of NNC.

Vehlow on students: "I'd like them to be able to learn how their brains work and to be able to push themselves to be better than they were, to think better and think more critically. We need more people who can think critically and solve problems..."

Vehlow on being a judge: "...it helps me bring more interesting and relevant information into the classroom. It's refreshing to get into the real world, and it's important to have good judges. I have a good time doing it."

How many professors are full-time magistrate judges, raise horses, teach four college courses, consult for a major corporation concerning employment law, and raise a family too? Probably not many, but there's one right here at NNC that does all this. Dr. Karen Vehlow is a professor of business and economics, and has been teaching at NNC since 1985.

"I like teaching and I like helping people to understand the subjects that I teach, to learn how to think critically and analytically. It's nice to help people go out in the real world and protect themselves and serve others. It's a positive environment," said Vehlow, who holds a Humanities and a Pre-law degree.

Vehlow teaches Business Practicum, Business Law, Principles of Economics, and Microeconomic Analysis. Jenny Bangsund, who took Vehlow's Principles of Economics course, said, "It's a difficult class with difficult concepts and she presented it in a really down-to-earth way, making it easier to grasp. What struck me most about her was that she genuinely cared about what was going on in our lives."

Though Vehlow carries a full load of teaching, she is also a full-time magistrate judge. She sits on civil or criminal cases as requested by the Idaho Supreme Court, both in the 3rd and 4th judicial districts.

On the homefront, Vehlow has two home businesses. She and her husband John, who is also a full-time magistrate judge, raise hay and horses, as well as operating a boarding stable. Several of Vehlow's students have commented that she has another talent. Tara Barr, a Business major said, "She is a great storyteller."

Sara Ellis agreed, "I love her to death and I really appreciated the stories that she told in business Law."

Vehlow is a professor whose combination of interests and activities merge to make her very interesting and valuable to NNC.

By GINA GRATE
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Clinton to testify on Whitewater

He will testify at trial of two former business partners

President Clinton has been subpoenaed to testify in the Whitewater trial of his former business partners James and Susan McDougal.

Whitewater Committee Chairman Alfonse D'Amato called the subpoena order "An extraordinary turn of events, which underscores again the need to get all the facts."

The order, which was issued Monday by U.S. District Judge George Howard, Jr., would force President Clinton to give testimony in the McDougal's trial which starts March 4 in Little Rock.



The McDougal's were partners with the Clinton's in a failed Arkansas land deal. Mrs. McDougal's lawyer, Jennifer Horan, maintains that only Clinton's testimony can clear her client of charges related to her receipt of \$300,000 from David Hale, a former Little Rock banker. In total, the McDougal's and their partners are charged with swindling \$3 million from two federally backed financial institutions.



What Horan wants is for Clinton to testify, exonerating her client, without having to submit the President to the cross-examination of Kenneth Starr, the prosecutor. If cross-examined, Starr could ask Clinton anything about the Whitewater Investigation under oath.

Judge Howard has left this option open to President Clinton. He is given the choice of testifying in person, live via satellite transmission, or through a prerecorded, videotaped deposition. This third option is unnecessary. If the President cannot fly to Little Rock, then there is no reason that he could not still give live testimony through satellite, where he could be asked questions and provide answers.

Clinton will most likely choose the deposition. This would allow him to avoid the cross-examination altogether. He would simply deliver a script of his statement, under oath, and be exempt from all questioning.

If he testifies in next month's Whitewater trial, President Clinton would not be the first sitting president to give testimony in a criminal case.

Presidents Reagan, Carter, Ford and Nixon have also provided testimony in criminal trials. Nixon, in person at the Watergate coverup trial, and Reagan at John Poindexter's Iran-Contra trial. Ford supplied a videotaped deposition in the trial of Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme, who was convicted of attempting to assassinate the president.

The first attempt to involve the testimony of a sitting president was in 1807. President Jefferson's appearance in court was sought by Aaron Burr, who was standing trial for treason. The attempt was proved unsuccessful when Jefferson supplied the requested information.

Wyden wins in Oregon

The Congressional race in Oregon, which has been filled with political bashing and shameless self-promotion, ended last week with Ron Wyden winning over Gordon Smith by a 1% margin.

Wyden will fill the position that was abandoned by Bob Packwood, who retired last year after sexual misconduct allegations caught up with him.

Throughout the race, the two political opponents had spent most of their time trying to put the other down. Wyden labeled Smith as a man with extremist values, while Smith's promotional commercials described Wyden as someone "who has been in Washington too long." Wyden has been a Congressman since 1981, while Smith was elected State Senator in 1992 and was President of the Oregon Senate in 1995.

Voting turned out to be very close with Wyden coming out on top 48% to 46%. While Smith won all of the rural counties in Oregon, which make up about 90% of the state, Wyden won all the big-city-counties, such as Portland and Eugene.

Something unique about these elections was the new system of mail-in voting. Instead of having to go to the polls, voting cards were mailed to those who requested them and the voting could be done from the comfort of a living room. This was more or less an experiment, but it may become a standard since mail-in turnout was 65%, a very high percentage for a special election.

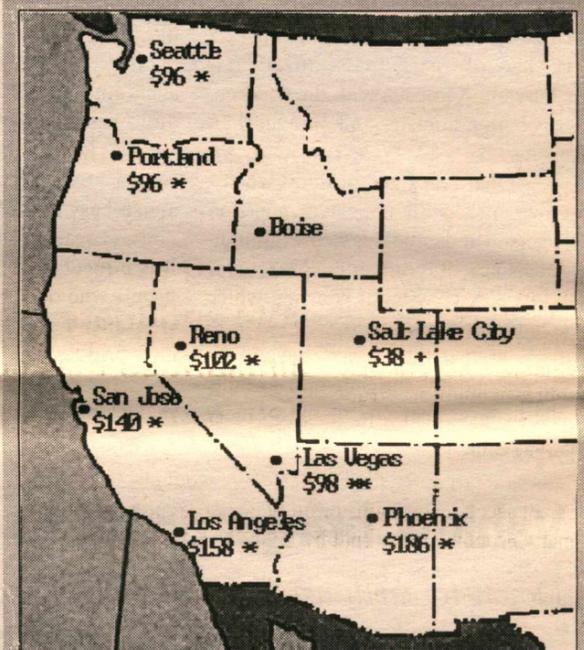
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STAFF WRITER

I'll Fly Away: Free tickets from Southwest

It's true. Anyone who leaves the Boise Air Terminal on Southwest airlines between Feb 8 and Feb 22 will receive a free round-trip airline ticket. This additional ticket can be used between Feb 23 and May 22. According to Southwest spokeswoman Beth Harbin, the promotion is designed to encourage people to buy tickets during February, which is traditionally a slow sales month.

This marketing tactic opens up a number of opportunities for the NNC student. After shelling out \$38 for a round trip ticket to Salt Lake City, a student can get a free ticket to Phoenix, or a number of other western cities, listed on the chart below.



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Moses Lake shooting

A junior high student claims the lives of two, wounds two others

The crisis was over almost before it began. One minute, students in an algebra class at Frontier Junior High in Moses Lake, Washington were waiting for class to begin. The next minute, the teacher and three students had been shot, and the rest of the class was being held hostage.

The shooter, who has not been identified, entered the classroom wearing a trenchcoat which concealed a high powered deer rifle. He then went to the front of the classroom, pulled the rifle out of his coat, and opened fire on three students in the front row.

He then shot his teacher, Leona Cairns, when she tried to keep him from shooting anyone else. Classmates Arnold Fritz and Manuel Vela, who were both 14, were killed instantly. One other student was seriously injured.

The bloodbath could have continued, if not for the heroic actions of P.E. teacher Jon M. Lane, who ran down the hall to see what was going on. The boy ordered Lane to put the barrel of the gun in his mouth, but Lane knocked the gun away and wrestled the boy to the ground.

Week in Review

"If you're going to keep saying the same thing over and over again, you could issue a tape. Why bother campaigning?"

--Ted Koppel to Steve Forbes in a television interview

"There is not doubt in my mind . . . that the answer to these murders is in the worlds of Faye Resnick."

--O.J. Simpson on the murder of his ex-wife.

U.S. casualty in Bosnia

Soldier dies when he picks up shell

The moment that America has been dreading finally occurred last Saturday when Donald Dugan became the first American soldier to be killed in Bosnia. Dugan probably thought the shell casing was empty when he picked it up by a roadside in Northern Bosnia. Unfortunately, it was a shell that failed to detonate when it was fired, and it ended up exploding in Dugan's face. In a speech in New Hampshire, President Clinton spoke with sorrow, and said that the soldier had "died in the noblest of causes -- the pursuit of peace."

Clinton also reminded the public of the risks that the American soldiers run while keeping the peace in Bosnia. Since December, nine members of the peacekeeping force have been killed, mostly by land mines, but the risks, in Clinton's words, are worth it.

Bob Dole, Clinton's main presidential opponent, agreed, saying "we can't just cut out and run when the first tragic thing happens. The lone dissenter of this opinion among the Republican Candidates is Phil Gramm, who has pledged to bring the soldiers home if he is elected president.

Forbes ain't flat in the polls

Steve Forbes' idea of a flat tax may just be catching on

Surprisingly enough, Republican presidential contender Steve Forbes has taken the lead in the New Hampshire straw polls according to KRC Research Communications. Last Thursday, KRC announced that Forbes was in the lead at 31% and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole trailing along at 22%, with only 2 1/2 weeks remaining to that primary.

Another recent poll by Pew Research Center had Forbes at 29% and Dole at 24%. Forbes has surged into the polls with his flat tax plan and has shown a significant number of followers, many of whom followed Perot in his 1992 campaign.

However, on both polls the percentage of independent respondents was 27% and nearly 50% respectively. Among Republican voters, Forbes had only had 24% with Dole taking the lead at 31%.

Forbes' flat tax plan is the basis of his platform.

"We need a low, flat tax that's a tax cut. It's simple. It's honest. And that's a big change for Washington," Forbes said.

Forbes' flat tax program would entail a 17% "across the board" tax. According to the program, a family of four would pay no taxes on the first \$36,000 of income and then after that, a 17% flat tax.

"The flat tax would be simple. You could fill it out on a post card. It would be honest. It would eliminate the principle source of political corruption in Washington," Forbes said.

As a part of the Forbes plan, there would be no taxes on social security, pensions or on personal savings. However, many economists say that by giving the American people a 17% flat tax rate, Forbes would increase the federal deficit tremendously.

With Forbes in the lead in New Hampshire, other Republican presidential contenders are trying to "increase the heat" on Forbes and his plan.

Dole said that Forbes was trying to shove a flat tax "down the American people's throats."

Texas Senator Phil Gramm brought recognition to an editorial Forbes wrote in 1973 in *Forbes* magazine, supporting a nationalized health care insurance plan. Forbes was

quick to respond that he has changed his mind since then.

Former Tennessee governor Alexander Lamar said that the explanation for Forbes' lead in New Hampshire's polls is money.

Forbes responded to the "heat" on a radio talk show and said that he wasn't surprised seeing that his tax proposal would change the political power structure.

Forbes, was born on July 18, 1947 in Morristown New Jersey. At Princeton University, he graduated with a B.A. in history in 1970. While at Princeton, Forbes founded the magazine *Business Today*, which became America's most published magazine by students for students.

In 1985 Forbes was appointed Chairman of the Board for International Broadcasting by President Ronald Reagan. The Board oversaw *Radio Liberty* and *Radio Free Europe*. Forbes served until 1993 with a reappointment by President Bush.

During this time *Radio Liberty* and *Radio Free Europe* broadcasted behind the Iron Curtain, and according to Poland's Lech Walesa, were the critical asset in the struggle for freedom against communism.

Currently, Forbes is President and CEO of Forbes Inc. and the Editor-in-Chief of *Forbes* magazine. He is also the Chair of *American Heritage* magazine and *Forbes Newspapers*.

With Forbes' background as a "wealthy outsider," some say that he's a '96 version of

Perot. Forbes also seems to be picking up the old Perot vote and there are some similarities that could help Forbes.

"He also has the same advantage Perot had - that, in being wealthy, people automatically assume you can't buy this guy. And that was very helpful to Perot and it's very helpful to Forbes," said Jim Squires, and former top advisor and spokesman for Perot in 1992.

With Forbes' lead in New Hampshire, some wonder if the Republican primaries will be as close as the straw polls. If so, watch out Dole, here comes Perot...(oops)...Forbes.

By RACHEL ROEMHILDT
STAFF WRITER



With Forbes' background as a "wealthy outsider," some say that he's a '96 version of Perot. Forbes also seems to be picking up the old Perot vote and there are some similarities that could help him.

Millionaire kills Olympic wrestler

John du Pont had known Dave Schultz for years. In the words of Pauline Gostigian, a neighbor of Du Pont's, "Dave Schultz was John's best friend. Dave would have done anything for him."

John du Pont is going to have to go elsewhere for help, as the shooting death of Schultz, for which Du Pont is the prime suspect, put a damper on their relationship.

At first glance, Schultz and Du Pont have nothing in common. Du Pont was a wealthy philanthropist who inherited a fortune from the Du Pont Chemical Company, which his grandfather founded. Dave Schultz was an Olympic wrestler with one gold medal under his belt. Wrestling was their common bond. Du Pont was one of the nation's most generous donors to the Olympic wrestling program. His 800-acre estate, located in New Jersey, contained a state-of-the-art Foxcatcher wrestling center, where Schultz was a coach. Wrestling was definitely not the only cause that Du Pont poured money into.

He built Delaware's natural history museum, and stocked it with his collections of birds, eggs, and seashells, and also paid for an athletic center at Villanova University.

Until Du Pont threatened him with a machine gun, wrestler Dan Chaid was also a member of the Foxcatcher staff with Dave Schultz. According to Chaid, Du Pont cornered him in the weight room, pointed the gun at his chest, and ordered him off the estate. Chaid left, but when he reported the incident to the police, the police chief allegedly responded "John is just an eccentric. I've known him for 40 years."

Du Pont was, in fact, a "friend of the police department," said one retired officer. Du Pont had taught marksmanship at the police department in years past and had also bought them training equipment.

Du Pont's wealth and police connections may have played a part in the murders. His wife, Gale Wenk du Pont, told ABC reporters that Du Pont said he

could shoot her, bury her, tell the authorities, and never spend a day in prison. According to Frank Farley, a former president of the American Psychological Association, this reveals "the sense of invulnerability imbued by wealth in combination with a seemingly increasing violent side."

Du Pont's mind really began to crack after his mother's death in 1988. After she died, he spent three days in his attic playing with toy trains. According to several friends, some days he would think that the clocks on treadmills in the wrestling center would send him back in time.

As time went on, Du Pont got more and more violent. Schultz was the one of the only men who would stand up to Du Pont when he threatened others. Ultimately, that trait got him killed.

By DAVID STILLMAN
OFF-CAMPUS EDITOR

CRUSADER COMMENTARY

By Dave Roemhildt

Has anyone ever wondered why African-American History month takes place in February? When the individuals responsible for bringing this month-long recognition into existence figured out a time to have it, why did they pick February, the shortest month of the year?

In a conversation with Jeff Kinneveauk some time back, he expressed this to me in the form of a joke. "You had to give us a month, so you chose the shortest month of the year. Why couldn't we have had March? It has thirty-one days." While Jeff was obviously in jest and the length of the month has little to do with raising awareness of African-American history and culture, this attitude which is felt in many minority groups is prevalent and serious. Why, after everything that minorities have suffered in the US, should they get short changed on *their* history month?

That question, of course, provides its own answer. The white community sees February as *their* (African-American's) history month. When some white students see African-American history month posters, they may roll their eyes and sigh, as if to say, "This is all a politically correct ploy concocted by the NAACP." If a special event is planned to show civil rights films over February, they may say to themselves, "There isn't any white history month. Why should we have one for African-Americans?" As a student of history, I can see that the answer is clear because almost all of popular American history comes from a consensus school which focuses on white history already. Almost all of what we study currently is white history and very little accounts for minorities within our American culture.

The tragedy that this causes is that we then think of the history of minorities as unimportant or marginal. Feminist history, African-American history and the like are forgotten because they are not part of the consensus school's history--the history of the majority. In this area, some of our democratic ideals trip us up. The rule of the majority will often lead to a notion that only the majority is important. In effect, this says that African-American history is not important.

But why should we study this history; it is not ours, it is *theirs*, is it not? Wrong. It is *our* history, the history of both whites and blacks. I do not recall reading a slavery account in a history text that did not include a master. These masters were white. How dare we, as a majority, suggest that this is not our history, when we, yes we, were the ones beating, killing and dishonoring. There is a responsibility for the white community to admit that these things are important to remember, even if ugly. There is a responsibility of guilt and repentance that accompanies our history.

One of the distasteful features of popular white thought is that we as individuals bear no responsibility for the crimes of the past. In a recent history course at NNC, I raised the question if any among the class felt any shame or responsibility for the wrongdoings of Americans in situations such as the My Lai massacre during the Vietnam War. How about for the dropping of the atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki during WWII? Not one indicated that they felt responsibility or shame. Surely guilt is not an inherited condition. This is true, as individuals, but as a culture and as a nation, we are responsible for recognizing our collective wrongdoings and making amends. The thought that we are not responsible is the height of arrogance and insensitivity.

To snicker at a poster, or suggest that we need not consider African-American history is a sacrilege to the ideas that these symbols represent. It again dishonors African-Americans by a denial and by a refusal to accept and understand what many of them find an area of pain, frustration, happiness and pride. This is *our* collective history; we should share in it equally and with sensitivity. Think of the racial divisions we could bridge if only this was our goal and purpose.

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What Nazarenes REALLY believe

THE AUTHORITY AND INTERPRETATION OF SCRIPTURE FROM A WESLEYAN STANDPOINT

Did God really create in six days? Was Jonah really swallowed by a whale? Did Paul really write all those letters? Is Daniel just an allegory? These questions, and many others are all decisions which hinge upon how we view scripture. What authority does the Bible really have and how do we interpret it?

This is an issue which has divided Christian groups before and, in some people's opinions, has the potential for bitterly dividing the Church of the Nazarene. How literally do we take the Bible and in what matters do we believe it reports with truth and authority?

At the core of the issue is our understanding of our theological tradition — Wesleyan-holiness, and what that really means and more importantly, what it doesn't. In light of that tradition, is it possible to be a creationist and a Wesleyan, or a Wesleyan and a "liberal" or a Wesleyan and a fundamentalist? It's these sort of questions which every local church and every church member in the Wesleyan tradition is dealing with in some form or another. What do Wesleyans believe about scripture?

HOMO UNIUS LIBRI: A MAN OF ONE BOOK

John Wesley lived his entire life as an Anglican priest. It was his followers who broke away from the Church of England and made his Methodism into a separate denomination. Much later, the Church of the Nazarene would be formed out of several smaller denominations which traced their heritage back through the Methodists to John Wesley.

All agree that John Wesley was a man grounded in the Bible. Although he was well-read and a true scholar, Wesley himself proclaimed that he was a man of one book: the Bible. "O give me that book," Wesley proclaimed in one of his sermons, "At any price, give me the book of God! I have it here is knowledge enough for me. Let me be homo unius libri [a man of one book]."

Although Wesley was deeply devoted to scripture, he understood that scripture couldn't stand alone. Wesley understood that the Bible wasn't a dead book, but one that, through the Holy Spirit, came alive for its readers.

"When I come to the Word in my own scripture reading, it's to invite the same Spirit that breathed into the inspiration, that I might have the mind of the Spirit," Dr. David McKenna, President Emeritus of Asbury Theological Seminary said. "Therefore, I take a plenary view of scripture which means that it is full and final authority, but not a closed document. There is the unfolding of the work of the Spirit as we read the Scripture that makes it very contemporary and brings it forward into application in the present day."

Wesley understood that sincere Christians wouldn't all come to the same understandings when they read scripture. Therefore, Wesley urged his followers to check their interpretations of Scripture by

comparing them against other parts of Scripture, by applying reason, checking their interpretations against human experience, and checking them against Christian tradition. These ideas were much later formulated by scholars into what we call the Wesleyan Quadrilateral. Wesley didn't believe that Scripture was wrong, but that as humans we might err in discovering the truth which Scripture proclaimed. By checking our interpretations in this manner we would be less likely of going astray.

Therefore, unlike some other Christian traditions, Wesleyanism doesn't view reason or experience as its enemy, but as complements. Former bishop of the United Methodist Church, Mack Stokes says in his book, *The Bible in Wesleyan Heritage*, "We appreciate the quest for the truth in all areas, including the study of the Bible. For God and the truth are on the same side. We recognize with Wesley that sincere and informed Christians are going to differ in some of their interpretations of the Bible. This is particularly true in matters that are not essential to our salvation and our practice of Christian living." [Emphasis is mine.]

THINGS NECESSARY FOR SALVATION

There is an important distinction for Wesleyans in that last phrase. As Wesleyans, we believe that the Bible is the final authority in two areas: our faith and practice. This stems from the idea that God's purpose in Scripture is to reveal to us his plan for salvation through Christ. The Nazarene *Manual* says that the inspiration of Holy Scripture involves "inerrantly revealing the will of God concerning us in all things necessary for salvation." Yet, beyond "things necessary for salvation," the Nazarene *Manual*, and Wesley himself, are strangely quiet. Wesleyan theology doesn't proclaim that scripture is inerrant in everything it says or that on every subject which the scripture speaks that it is authoritative. It only says that concerning salvation (and hence how we should live), the Bible speaks completely and authoritatively.

Then again, Wesleyan theology doesn't say that the Scripture isn't authoritative in everything it says, or that it isn't inerrant. No judgment is made either way. Wesleyanism, seemingly, leaves room for those who want to reject as myth or story everything scripture says except for those parts that regard salvation. Wesleyanism also leaves room for those who want to embrace everything the scripture says as literal including the parts concerning salvation.

There is room in Wesleyan circles for difference of opinion at many points. But as McKenna put it, "I think that I would draw the touchstone, the parameters, at that which bears upon salvation--faith, experience, and practice."

In his sermon entitled the "Catholic Spirit," Wesley verbalized this idea: "Every wise man, therefore, will allow others the same liberty of thinking which he desires for himself. He should allow them, and they should allow him," Wesley said, "and

will no more insist on their embracing his opinions, than he would have them insist on embracing theirs."

According to Stokes, for Wesley, "in all matters that did not strike at the heart of Christianity, his policy was 'think and let think.'"

"The countless studies of the individual books of the Bible stagger the imagination, and the various theological and historical interpretations of the Bible fill the library shelves," Stokes said "Even within the evangelical Wesleyan heritage these interpretations have varied widely. But, in keeping with the Wesleyan spirit, we have not tended to become head-hunters."

For many in the Church of the Nazarene (and other Wesleyan denominations) this has been a hard idea to swallow. Allowing the spectrum of thought to flow concerning the Holy Scriptures is not easy. Yet, it is Wesleyan.

Wesleyans can't be thrown out of the fellowship because they read as allegory or symbolic what others take as literal and historical. What matters from a Wesleyan vantage is that we all believe that the scriptures fulfill their purpose: to reveal completely and truthfully all that is necessary for salvation. And, further, to consider them, then, as the final authority for our faith as Christians and for our practice.

As Wesleyans, our theology is silent concerning passages of scripture which don't deal with the salvation story. In our theology we can't say that the creation story in Genesis is literal, or that the story of Jonah is just an allegory, or whether or not Jesus really performed miracles, or whether Paul really wrote the Epistles. The constructs of our theology will not bear such a load, or so it seems.

We can argue about which of these views is correct as scholars, archaeologists, scientists, and as textual critics, but as Wesleyans we must come together and realize that our theology cannot play a part in any of those views.

THE REAL DEBATE

The real debate which exists in the Church of the Nazarene right now is not which group is the true Wesleyans — the "liberals" or the "conservatives" — the real debate lays outside our common theology and centers around the question of whether or not the Bible reports truth in more than just matters relating to salvation.

In his paper, "Wesleyan Faith Seeking Biblical Understanding," Dr. Frank Spina, a professor at Seattle Pacific University, writes: "[The term] Wesleyan hermeneutic implies an agreed upon method. But this belies the fact that Wesleyan interpretive procedures are too varied to warrant a singular designation. The plain fact is that there is no hermeneutic that underlies and unifies the work of Wesleyans." By referring to "hermeneutic," Spina means a method of viewing and interpreting the Scriptures. Indeed, there is no agreed upon method among Wesleyans for

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doing this. "Anti-critical Wesleyans tend to view most of the results and many of the methods of historical criticism as not simply wrong but antithetical to an orthodox conception of Scripture," Spina says. "Conversely, critical Wesleyan scholars are prone to view many results and most of the methods of historical criticism as at least plausible if not 'assured' and, probably qualified, fully compatible with an orthodox conception of Scripture. This is nothing less than the Fundamentalist-Modernist controversy, Wesleyan style."

Dr. Richard Taylor (professor emeritus from Nazarene Theological Seminary) characterizes the more "conservative" approach which he states in his book *Biblical Authority and Christian Faith*.

According to Taylor the historical-critical approach to scripture has at its foundation, what he defines as two "negative and destructive" presuppositions. First, "that scripture and the Word of God are not to be equated; rather that there is a 'canon within a canon,' which the astute student is to find, while the rest he may reject as totally human and full of error."

For example, many who subscribe to the historical-critical approach (and other so-called methods of higher criticism) have discounted the concept of the virgin birth citing that it was a tradition added to Christianity to give it credence, but that it is not truth.

"An even more devastating presupposition," Taylor says, "is the *a priori* denial of the miraculous. That advance knowledge which we call prophesy is ruled out; therefore, Daniel, for instance, must be ascribed to an unknown writer who wrote after the events, not before."

Taylor (and over "conservatives") propose the Historico-grammatical method as more acceptable. "[This method] begins with the assumption of inspiration and infallibility, but seeks to understand the Bible by brining to bear on its pages every possible ray of light from historical backgrounds and setting, cognate languages, philology, and the science of textual criticism," Taylor says.

It is true, then, that a Wesleyan can hold a very "high" and literal view of Scripture. Likewise, a Wesleyan can be a "liberal" and use modernist tools to interpret scripture. In effect, we are battling the battle that every other Christian sect has in light of modern science and criticism. Yet, unlike the true fundamentalists and modernists which separated into different camps (and denominations), we are held together by our Wesleyan understandings.

I believe Taylor formulates a Wesleyan statement for our modern situation that even Wesley himself might endorse if he were here: "The Bible is our final authority for doctrine, experience, ethics, culture, — this much to say the least."

Wesleyanism requires those beliefs as a minimum, anything we add is not Wesleyan, but our opinion; and on our opinions, we don't have to be in agreement to all be together. I can add more to my view of Scripture and still be a Wesleyan. However, I can't take away from the basic Wesleyan understanding that Scripture is the final authority for faith and practice and records all that is necessary for salvation.

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CAN THEY TOLERATE US?

"If you take seriously atheistic evolution, it seems to me that there are some problems which are just irreconcilable with the understanding that humans are worth anything — it doesn't give any place for God," George Lyons, professor of New Testament at NNC said. "But it doesn't seem to me that is necessarily true with the theistic understanding, that this isn't mere accident, that God is involved in the process. I think it fits, but I don't think it is obligatory. It is not as if there is one scientific view that you say, 'If you're a Wesleyan you've got to hold this.'"

"And you can't make any of those opinions a criterion for fellowship or Christian standing if you're Wesleyan, but, instead, that you really can tolerate some diversity. That's not bad, that's good, that's part of what it means to be a Wesleyan," Lyons said.

"But there is the assumption of changed lives as what give us cohesiveness and unity," Lyons said. "I think what is happening is that we are finding ourselves in a kind of Wesleyan scholasticism in which dotting your i's and crossing your t's correctly is more important than the dynamic of authentic Christianity which can look beyond the differences of opinion to say, 'Your heart is with my heart, as my heart is with my heart, therefore, let's cooperate in this venture even though we hold different views on, say, the abortion issue. Even though we hold different views on the evolution issue. Even though we hold different views on the issue of scripture.' What we are really about is people's lives being redeemed from self-destruction, and building God's rule in this world. And, because that's what matters most, the other issues aren't what matter."

"I think we can tolerate Wesleyan fundamentalists, but the question is, can Wesleyan fundamentalists tolerate those of us who aren't? If they can't then they're not truly Wesleyans," Lyons said.

And the "fundamentalists" are asking the same question. Dr. Dennis Swift, pastor of Beaverton First Church of the Nazarene, says that the scholars in our colleges and universities have been more apt to discredit and exclude "conservative" Wesleyans than to tolerate and discuss with them.

"I think that the other positions should be brought to the table and should be represented, for it is out of that we work as checks and balances on both sides, because creationists can abuse scripture and liberal theologians can abuse scripture, and we need all the people together so that it's not like a war but a chess game. Yet, there needs to be checks and balances in it," Swift said. "I think that it is very important that all of us get together at the table and it becomes a discussion instead of ego-academia excluding people from the discussion under the guise of intelligentsia, because I think some of the smartest people I've ever met are on both sides."

In all, Wesley's idea of "think and let think" doesn't mean that "anything goes." Regardless of other ideas, we, as Wesleyans, all agree that the Bible is our final authority in faith and practice. And are there not certain doctrinal emphases that make us Wesleyan? As Stokes says in his book, "There-

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3 For my soul is full of troubles, and my life draws near to Sheol.

4 I am counted among those who go down to the Pit;

I am like those who have no help,

like those forsaken among the dead,

like the slain that lie in the grave,

whose name you remember no more,

and they are cut off from your help.

5 Do not let me in the depths of Sheol,

nor let my eyes look upward, nor my hands outstretched toward heaven.

6 My heart is dark and deep, and death has come heavy upon me, and I am bowed down like a heavy stone.

7 My heart is bowed down with all my sighing, and my soul has been cut off from my companions.

8 My eyes are turned toward heaven, and I look for my God.

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WHAT ARE WE GOING TO TELL OUR CHILDREN?

But our problems aren't solved. We can join hands and sing together (like Wesley did) celebrating our commonality. Yet, the question remains: What should we then teach and preach in our churches and schools and seminaries?

What are we going to tell our children in Sunday School about creation and Noah's ark and Daniel and the virgin birth? As Wesleyans, we have agreed to disagree on the truth and origin of these stories, but as a community what do we teach?

What do we teach our students and future pastors in our colleges and seminaries? Do we discuss a "liberal" view of Biblical truth from a historical-critical or other standpoint, or do we teach a more "conservative" view, or both, or neither?

Those are questions which, as Wesleyans, we must settle upon together. If we don't, they may be volatile to our Wesleyan denominations — and Wesley's "Catholic Spirit."

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GUEST EDITORIAL

The typical Monday afternoon track meeting didn't go as usual yesterday. The coaches went through the usual announcements, and then Coach Taylor began to solemnly inform us that the administration had made known a "directive" to cut men's and women's track after this year.

What? No more track? This wasn't making any sense. Obviously, I was upset, along with the rest of the team. I wanted an explanation, and it had to be good. But administrators described the situation an "internal matter" and were not willing to comment on it. The Department of Athletics has been given until February 20 to respond to the directive. But what I want to know is, why is this all so sudden? Why so secretive?

Our coaches made it clear that Title IX requires that there be the same percentage of female athletics participation as there is female student population. At NNC, 57 percent of the students are female, but only about 40 percent of the athletes are female.

There are about the same number of female participants as male participants in track; it doesn't favor men over women at all, so it shouldn't be dropped. If the administration thinks it can fund a new women's sport with the money currently allotted for track, I can only say dream on. Track's budget is not nearly enough to start women's softball or soccer.

I think the Administration should add another women's sport without taking away Track. Track gives many women an opportunity to compete in a variety of ways that would otherwise not be available. Let's face it: not everyone can kick a soccer ball, not everyone can hit a softball, but nearly everyone can find at least one event in track--throwing, jumping or running--that they can do. Track is where involvement is. Don't cut it.

--An editorial by Amy Riley

STAFF EDITORIAL

Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges is an honor not to be treated lightly; however, this year's selection process presented a sorry variety of missteps.

To begin, the selection committee, which has in years past done a very commendable job, let one slip by them: Who's Who 1994-95 recipient Misty Linn found her name on the ballot for a second time. And lo and behold, her name garnished enough student votes for her to make the list a second time.

Now if there is anyone's name we would love to see on two Who's Who lists, it is certainly Misty's. But how does a previous honoree get past two rounds of staff and faculty screening plus a round of student voting? Mostly because of a flawed student voting process. Two problems manifest themselves here. First, the voting was not done on the day scheduled; some who showed up at the student center specifically to vote were frustrated by the lack of organization. Second, the student ballot needs work. The alphabetical arrangement of names put deserving students such as Dave Roemhildt and Mason Vail at a disadvantage, especially since they are not student government types. Without trying in any way to take anything away from the "winners," we're perplexed by the student body's infatuation with honoring their peers involved in student government. Sixteen of the 21 (including Linn, of course) students selected are or have been on ASNNC or class council. Are we voting on the basis of popularity or on the basis of achievement in a variety of meaningful areas? We don't think anyone really knows.

LETTERS

Dear Editor:

It has come to my attention that many students on the campus of NNC, both male and female, have made a pastime out of mocking Hillary Clinton. Allow me to recall some of the more memorable and worthy insults. The first (worthy) insult takes many forms but usually involves a joke about the President of the United States and HER husband. The second item that comes to mind involves something that I heard outside of Wiley, the day after the State of the Union address. This intelligent individual solemnly stated that he "hated Hillary Clinton because he thought that she had ugly legs."

Okay, I know that there is no accounting for saying stupid things. But I wonder what all of this stems from? Are we threatened by Hillary Clinton? Let's face it, this

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Tick, tock, tick, tock: who's afraid of the NNClock?

This world is hardly like the one from whence we come

I have spent the past year and a half in an alternative experience, if you will. One which, though I speak boldly, has very little in common with the world from which I came. I enjoy it, and it is an experience from which I believe I shall benefit from as I return to my previous existence in the real world. There are, however, some definitive differences between the NNCosm and the alternative.

Time flows in a different fashion here than it does there. I notice this more and more every day. Time seems to move faster each day. This propels us to expect each coming day sooner than we would have before arriving here. The beginning of my freshman year, the days seemed to drag on as usual. However, by the end of that same year, I found it easier to remember the proceedings of each prior week, and could anticipate the following week with ease. The initial change was so gradual that I had no idea at first exactly what was happening.

Before coming to NNC, I had no idea how stressful it would be to live in the future. I don't mean the future as in what is to come, I mean the future which we have planned out a year and a half in advance. In high school, I was always too busy trying to get through the now. In college, however, we have reached the point of maturity where we don't have to merely worry about the day to day. Now we can stress out retroactively. We have our lives planned out, so that they don't sneak up on us. The only flaw I have found in this path of thinking is that I have yet to find a way to keep my term papers suspended in the future. They always

find a way to catch up with me.

Quantumly speaking, no man knows the future. This is one of the major differences between the NNCosm and the universe propelled by the laws of quantum physics. Speaking as a sophomore, I can tell that many upper-

classmen will be disagreeing with me. Coming up on graduation, they find it harder and harder to plan out their future. This does have a logical explanation, however. Since the future beyond graduation entails the return to the Great Other, there is no plausible way

that they can plan out their future, as it is in a time where no man knows the future. In simpler terms, one cannot use a student planner once one is no longer a student.

On the flip side, there are some who deny the laws of the NNCosm. These people find life simpler if they do not plan anything at all. This is the person of whom you inquire, "What are you doing tonight?" and their only reply is, "What, you think I plan that far ahead?" (sorry Tim) These people are probably some of the more sane people, as they deny NNCosm its right to tamper with their psyches. These people may be your friends, classmates, roommate, or even your occasional *Crusader* staff member. These people are to be reckoned with. They do not give in to the idiosyncrasies of everyday NNCContinuance. Instead,

they try to hold on to the rules which they have learned in earlier days. Usually these people are history, philosophy, or psych majors. History majors know that it's easier to plan something else once it's already happened, philosophy majors don't bother with any reality, and who can figure out psych majors.

The only problem I have seen with the lifestyle by which most of us live is that it is extremely stress-conductive. Of course, I'm not sure if (or how) I could convince anybody that you can live life in the now and the future will find its way here eventually. I can't even assure myself of this fact. I do know, however, that I'm tired of the stress. Not only mine, but the entire community's. It seems harder and harder to get through a day without worrying about something which has little or no bearing on the day in question.

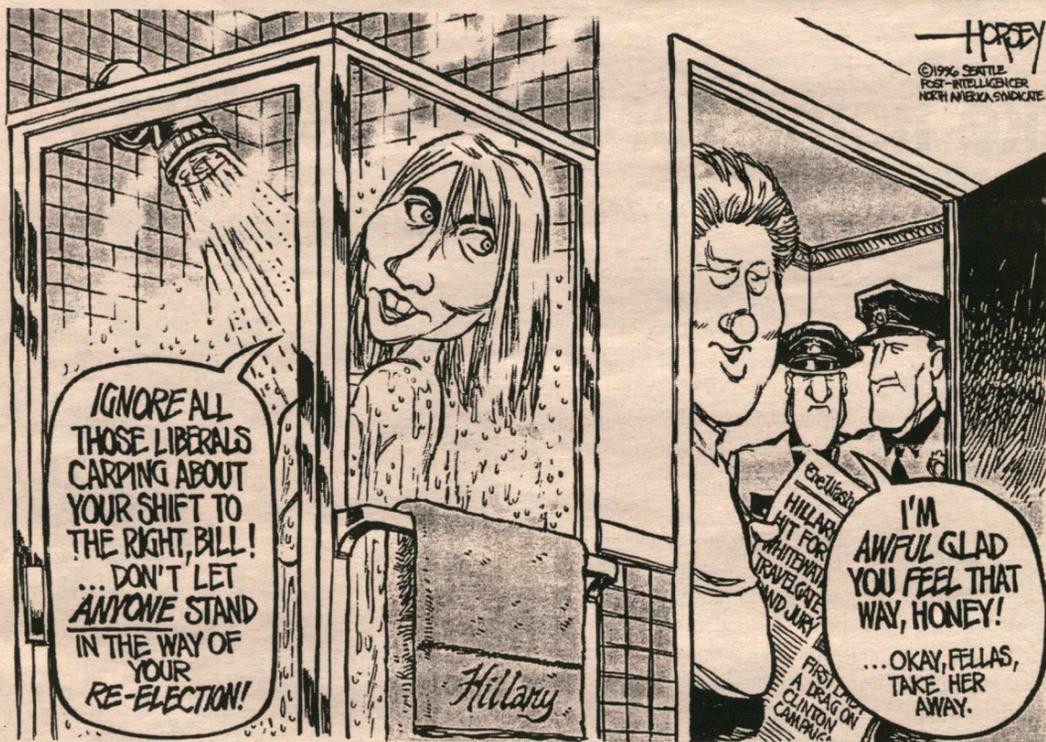
For those of you who are in the dark as much as I am on what I have written so far, I'll try to get to some sort

of valid point. Frankly, what's going to happen isn't as important as what is going on. I know that most of you will disagree with this assertion, however, take a minute to hear me out. Your future is derived directly from the present. If you are totally stressed out about

life now, it's not likely to get any better, no matter how well planned out the future seems. We all need to stop and take a few minutes to enjoy life-- even if there isn't room in our schedule.

On the flip side, there are some who deny the laws of the NNCosm. These are probably some of the more sane people.

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ASSISTANT OPINIONS EDITOR



Manning continues to warn against self-hatred

We even refuse to be our true self with God--and then wonder why we lack intimacy with Him. The deepest desire of our hearts is for union with God. From the first moment of our existence, our most powerful yearning is to fulfill the original purpose of our lives--"to see Him more clearly, love Him more dearly, follow Him more nearly." We are made for God, and nothing less will really satisfy us. C.S. Lewis could say that he was "surprised by joy," gripped by a desire that made "everything else that had ever happened... insignificant in comparison." Our hearts will never be restless until they rest in Him. Jeffrey D. Imbach, in *The Recovery of Love*, wrote, "Prayer is essentially the expression of our heart longing for love. It is not so much the listing of pure requests but the breathing of our own deepest request, to be united with God as fully as possible."

Have you ever felt baffled by your internal resistance to prayer? By the existential dread of silence, solitude, and being along with God? By the way

you drag yourself out of bed for morning praise, shuffle off to worship with the sacramental slump of the terminally ill, endure nightly prayer with stoic resignation, knowing that "this too shall pass"?

Beware the imposter!

The false self specializes in treacherous disguise. He is the lazy part of

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self, resisting the effort, asceticism, and discipline that intimacy with God requires. He inspires rationalizations, such as, "My work is my prayer; I'm too busy; prayer should be spontaneous so I just pray when I am moved by the Spirit." The false self's lame excuses allow us to maintain the status quo.

The false self dreads being alone, knowing "that if he would become silent within and without he would discover himself to be nothing. He would be left with nothing but his own nothingness, and to the false self which claims to be everything, such a discovery would be his undoing."

When we accept the truth of what we really are and surrender it to Jesus Christ, we are enveloped in peace, whether or not we feel ourselves to be at peace. By that I mean the peace that passes understanding is not a subjective sensation of peace; if we are in Christ, we are in peace even when we feel no peace.

With a graciousness and an understanding of human weakness that only God can exhibit, Jesus liberates us from alienation and self-condemnation and offers each of us a new possibility. He is the Savior who saves us from ourselves. His Word is freedom.

Excerpt from *Abba's Child--The Cry of the Heart for Intimate Belonging*. Used by permission.

LETTERS (CONTINUED)

first lady is a successful woman. She is idealistic, educated, coherent, independently successful, motivated--and you may also add faithful to that list.

I was again shocked by what another student said on his way to chapel. This student said quite seriously, that Bill needed to take away Hillary's shoes, and lock her (preferably impregnated) on the third floor (the living quarters) of the White House.

What is it about Hillary Clinton that brings out this anti-Christian attitude? Is it because she is a Democrat? Is it because she is a woman? Is it because she is successful? These are not good reasons to justify such filthy talk about a respectable woman.

If you disagree with her politics... fine! But please know why you disagree with her; don't stoop to slanderous remarks about her gender. Hearing the things I have this week implies that Hillary is standing on a higher moral plane than most students on campus.

A fundamental aspect of the Wesleyan tradition is the equality of the sexes before God. Incidentally, Hillary is a United Methodist, part of the same tradition as us. We should be supporting and uplifting this woman in prayer.

In closing, here's something to

think about. Bill and Hillary are a team. He honours her, and values her advice. She helps him make monumental decisions that affect all of us. Bill is just now starting to act like a statesman. He is really beginning to look good! If they are not re-elected, America will have to "make do" with another amateur president for the next four years!

--Ken Harris, Senior

To the Editor:

As an involved parent, I recently learned that the administration is in the process of increasing the GPA necessary to achieve honors at graduation. Apparently, these new standards will be "sprung" on the class of '97.

I question, first of all, the arbitrary manner by which these standards are set. What causes reassessment? Why isn't his process, rather than just its outcome, made public? And why is there no grace period before implementation which would allow students the right and time to make choices and set goals with full knowledge?

Beyond these concerns, the administration fails to factor into its evaluation process the reality that many

students who could easily pull a straight 4.0 sacrifice that potential in order to serve the students and further the reputation of NNC by taking responsibility in vital areas of campus life such as student government, the newspaper, the yearbook, and sports.

I have been intimately acquainted with such a student for 21 years now. Maintaining straight A's through his schooling, he entered NNC as valedictorian of his senior class and President's Scholar. Once on campus, he reevaluated what he might receive from NNC against what he was responsible to give, and he opted to take on the preservation of NNC's journalistic reputation by becoming editor of the *Crusader*. For approximately what I calculate to be 52 cents per hour, he invested countless hours in the *Crusader* office, sacrificing his 4.0.

The administration needs to think again what it might be like if all the scholars on campus withdrew from serving the school and only served themselves. There would be a lot of 4.0's at graduation but NNC would not come out with honors!

--Mrs. Linde Zirschky

REVIEW

S & S is another successful Jane Austen adaptation

Sense. It's our ability to be logical. Without sense, we would have no rational intelligence.

Sensibility. It's our ability to feel sensations. It's the seat of the emotional roller-coaster of life.

The movie *Sense and Sensibility* shows the trouble two sisters can get into when they lean on one another to guide them too much.

Sense and Sensibility

Reviewed by Amy Riley

Ellinor (Emma Thompson), the oldest sister, is what a lady should be in proper British society. She is calm, quiet and rational, but she is also strong-willed and determined. When she begins to have feelings for the rich Edward Ferrars (Hugh Grant), she remains calm. She enjoys taking walks with him and speaking with him, but she never lets her conversation sway with emotion. Her sister sees that Edward is in love with Ellinor, but she can't see any passion between them. Ellinor tells her sister that Edward has many fine qualities, and she likes him quite well.

But does she love him? Does her heart skip a beat when he walks in the room? Perhaps, and if so, she hides it well. When Edward is called to London on business, Ellinor is left longing for him but not knowing if she'll ever see him again.

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Marianne, the younger sister, is passionate, open and rather free in displaying her feelings around others. She thrives on her emotions, and she keeps nothing secret. When she falls in love

with the dashing dreamer, Willoughby, she can't help but recite love sonnets with him and giggle at him in front of others. Their conversation is filled with love for one another. In Marianne's mind there's no reason to keep love a secret from anyone--not even the neighbors. She and Willoughby defy all sense of proper public decency and flaunt their love for each other constantly. But, as all good love stories go, the lovers had to part. Willoughby mysteriously needed to go to London with hardly any notice.

Life went on for the two sisters, but both couldn't keep their minds off the ones they loved. About this time, Ellinor is introduced to Lucy. Lucy appears to be a kind girl who admires Ellinor and seems to sincerely want to get to know her. As they talk to each other, Lucy tells Eleanor of a wonderful man, Edward Ferris, to whom she is engaged. But, Lucy makes Eleanor promise not to tell anyone about the engagement, so Eleanor has no way of finding out if the man she loves is really engaged to another woman.

At this time, a common relative of the three girls takes all of them to London. In London, Marianne expects to be reunited with Willoughby and doesn't even think to find out why he left so suddenly. Ellinor expects to find out the truth about Edward's supposed engagement to another. Marianne is led by a flood of emotions to find Willoughby again, while Eleanor is led by the rational desire to find out the truth. I would ruin the story if I told you what happened in London, and if I told you whether *Sense* or *Sensibility* won out in the end. However, I highly recommend this movie. The acting is terrific, the story is brilliant, and it's definitely an appropriate movie to watch for Valentine's Day.

STAFF INFECTION

Amy Riley is really afraid she'll end up in the Staff Infection someday, but she has nothing to fear ... Tim Schlack wants to share his nightmares about posing nude for art classes, but we won't let him ... He's always a little bit late for everything anyway ... Hi, Kim Tucker, thanks for visiting ... And Jennifer Aniston still hasn't shown up this term in the *Crusader* office--poor Toby ... See *IceCapades* starring Carla Unit ... "Stillman, were you raised in a cage?"--Amy Riley, 11:32 p.m. ...

The movie shows the trouble sisters get into when they lean on each other too much.

There's no place like home for the Crusaders

Crusaders sweep home games to stay in conference race

As they hit the final stretch, the men's and women's Crusader basketball teams don't have the pleasure of relaxing.

After three weeks of road games, both teams returned home and swept their weekend games.

Despite these victories, both teams find themselves trailing the Cascade conference leaders.

Coach Ed Weidenbach summed up the situation in a recent interview, "From here on, it is playoff basketball."

Both teams can make or break their playoff hopes in the remaining four games of the season.

Weidenbach said, "Anything can happen, anybody can upset anybody in this league."

In Friday's game, the men's team played host to the Oregon Tech Owls. NNC used strong defense to control the game from the get go. The Owls were never closer than eight points the whole night.

The Crusaders lit it up with their outside shooting. NNC shot 11-for-20 from the three-point line.

Tony Schumacher nailed 6-of-7 from three-point range to lead NNC with 18 points on the game. Trevor Stott continued his strong play scoring 17 points and pulling down six rebounds. Chad Herron added 11 points.

Nate Smith, despite only scoring two points, proved to be a strong defensive presence against the taller Tech posts.

On Saturday, the Raiders of Southern Oregon paid a visit.

Raiders Coach Tom McCracken was forced to suspend three of his top players from Saturday's game for missing curfew Friday night. Scottie Silva, SOSC's flashy point guard, Johnnie Epps, their leading rebounder, and Ryan Harbert, the team's leading scorer, sat the bench in street clothes.

Despite the missing personnel, the Raiders stayed in the game for most of the way. The Raiders used a balanced attack and their deep bench to run away from Southern Oregon, 78-55.

The Crusaders shot 52% from the field while holding the Raiders to 37%.

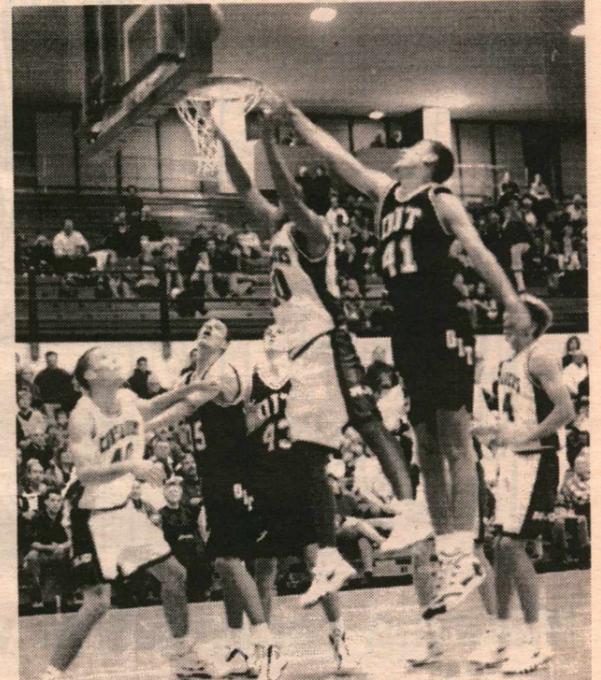
Trevor Stott turned another strong performance to lead NNC. Stott shot 7-of-11 from the field to finish with 17 points. Nate Smith added 15 points.

"I believe in this team," said Coach Weidenbach.

For the Lady Crusaders, Friday was a much needed day off since Oregon Tech has no women's team. Saturday, Southern Oregon, ranked 18th in the country, paid the Lady Saders a visit.

NNC came out in the first half as if they were still on the road. After one half of play Southern Oregon lead 34-20.

After the intermission, the Saders began chipping away at the Raiders' lead. With 6:25 remaining, NNC put together a quick 9-0 which gave the ladies their first lead of the game. That was all Coach Schmidt and his team needed. With the strong defense and smart ball handling of Kari Smith and Jen Fowler, along with their free-



Roy Garcia drives for two while Trevor Stott looks on. (Chtangeev)

throws, NNC pulled away with the 59-55 victory.

Erica Walton led the Saders with 19 points, including 12 points in the first nine minutes of the second half. Coach Schmidt commented on Erica's leadership, "Erica really got us going in the beginning of the second half."

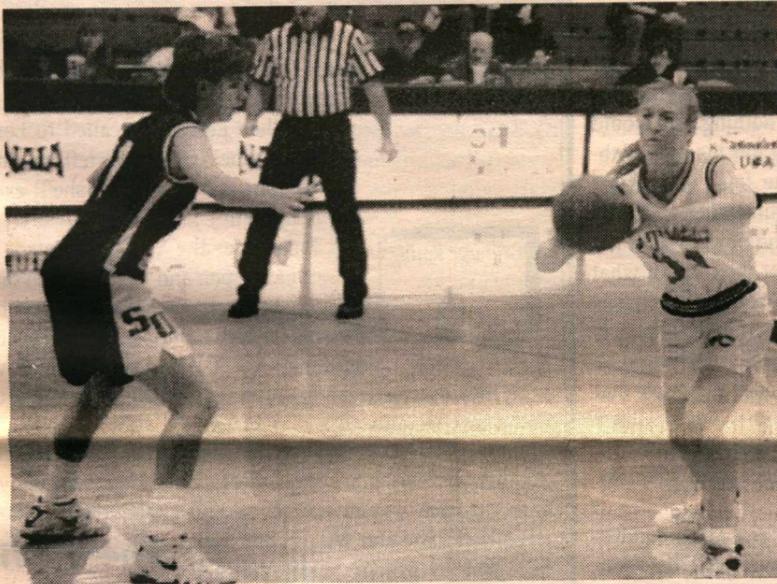
The win puts the Lady Crusader right where they need to be for their final three games. All three of these games will be at home.

Tuesday the men travel to Albertson College to play the number two ranked Coyotes. Game time is set for 7:30 p.m.

By TOBY JEFFREY
SPORTS EDITOR

"I believe in this team,"

Coach Weidenbach



Jennie Fowler swings the ball against the Oregon Tech defense. (Chtangeev)

Intramural season in full swing

Despite a broken basket, the games continued this week

Intramural basketball ran into troubles this week as the southwest hoop was stuck half-way up. This caused many games to be canceled and many athletes who came to play left frustrated. Tim Whetstone, intramural director, assured that all those games would be re-scheduled later in the season. Despite the south court's problems, the north court had some great games this week.

On January 27, 1W defeated 3W

40-25. 4B edged out 5B 63-54 giving 5B their first loss this season. 2B took down 7B 49-31. 3C was too much for 6C, as 6C fell 36-46. Chris Adams had a game high of 20 points as he led 8C in their victory over 1C, 53-50. The biggest scoring game of the week faced off 4A-2A. Joel Marion led all scorers with 26 points as his team cruised to a 102-72 victory.

On January 29, all south court games were canceled, but Chandra Lo-

gan was on fire with 16 points leading 6W over 7W 55-27. Erin had 13 points for 2W as they defeated 4W 48-20. Despite Blake Wolf's 28 points, the Old Guys led by Dave Miller and Carey Cook, had too much firepower, winning 88-80, 5A over 3A.

With the south court in working condition, finally all the scheduled games were played. 7C blew out 4C 50-39. 3C beat 8C 65-55. 4B over 7B 51-46. Scott led all scorers with 26 points as 9C cruised to victory over 2C. 1C caught defeat out of the jaws of victory as they fell 48-42 against 10C.

January 31 held only four games. 3B defeated 8B 67-53. It was 9B over 2B 53-48. 2A defeated 3A 74-62. Even though Joe "Big Daddy" Ferguson had his way with 27 points, the offensive power of Nutting and Marion, with 16 and 18 points respectively, were more than Violent Red Storm could take. 4A 80 over 1A 69.

All games tonight are canceled because of the AC of I game. Instead of making a trip to Montgomery Field House for some intramural action, go to Caldwell and support our Workin' Crusaders.

By BRENT PETERSON
STAFF WRITER



Despite a broken basket, the intramural basketball season continued as planned. (Frahm)

Cascade Conference Standings

Women

	Conf.	Overall
Western Oregon	8-1	18-4
NW Nazarene	7-2	14-7
Albertson	6-3	16-9
Western Baptist	5-4	17-8
Southern Oregon	3-5	13-11
Eastern Oregon	2-7	5-16
Concordia	0-9	5-23

Saturday's results:

NW Nazarene 59, S. Oregon 55
Western Baptist 86, E. Oregon 50
Western Oregon 64, Concordia 51

NNC weekend games:

Friday, Western Oregon at NNC, 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, Western Baptist at NNC, 5:30 p.m.

Men

	Conf.	Overall
Albertson	10-0	21-2
Western Oregon	9-1	16-5
NW Nazarene	8-2	16-7
Western Baptist	4-6	15-12
Southern Oregon	4-6	10-14
Oregon Tech	2-8	12-12
Concordia	2-8	10-12
Southern Oregon	0-10	5-20

Saturday's results:

Albertson 99, Oregon Tech 66
NW Nazarene 78, S. Oregon 55
Western Baptist 87, E. Oregon 82
Western Oregon 84, Concordia 67

Tuesday's game

NNC at Albertson, 7:30 p.m.

Word to the wise: snowmobiling overrated as a safe sport

Skiing is for the insane, but snowmobiling is for the downright stupid

Skiing is an exciting winter sport but it is not for everybody. For example, it is not for sane people. Sane people look at skiing and they say: "WAIT a minute. I'm supposed to attach slippery objects to my feet and get on a frozen chair, dangling from a scary-looking wire, then get dumped off on a snow-covered slope so steep that the mountain goats are wearing seat belts, and then, if by some miracle I am able to get back down without killing myself, I'm supposed to do this AGAIN?"

As I get older—which I am currently doing at the rate of about 5 years per year—this is more and more how I view skiing. I've been looking for an alternative winter sport that does not force a person so intimately involved with gravity. And so recently I went to Idaho (official state motto: "Convenient to Montana") to experience two winter sports that seemed better suited to the mature sportsman in the sense that you can do them while sitting down. In an effort to make my trip as tax-deductible as humanly possible, I've decided to write a two-part series about these sports. This week's Featured Winter Sport is: snowmobiling.

A snowmobile is a high-performance motorized vehicle, mounted on a track and skis that enable it to travel rapidly, deep into remote, snow-covered wilderness areas, where it gets stuck. Of course I didn't know this when I rented one. I knew nothing, which is why I also rented snowmobiles for my 15-year-old son, Rob and his 14-year-old friend Ryan. It was going to be a fun thing for us three guys to do together; that is what I was saying to myself as I signed the legal

release form ("...the undersigned further agrees that he has not actually read this form and just wants to get on the snowmobile already and would infact cheerfully sign anything placed in front of him including a document granting us the right to keep both his ears as souvenirs").

We rented our snowmobiles at a place called Smiley Creek Lodge, which is in a place called Smiley Creek, which pretty much consists of the Smiley Creek Lodge. We also rented helmets and jumpsuits so that we would look as much as possible like the Invasion of the Dork Tourists From Space. A very nice man showed us how to make the snowmobiles go. He seemed extremely calm, considering that he was turning three powerful and expensive machines over to two adolescent boys and a humor columnist. I thought he'd give us detailed instructions regarding where we should go, but basically all he said was that we should make an effort to remain in Idaho.

This did not prove to be so easy; not with Rob and Ryan at the controls. They are wonderful and intelligent boys, but they have the common sense of table salt. It's not their fault; their brains have not yet developed the Fear Lobe. If you give them control over a motorized vehicle, they are going to go at the fastest possible speed, which on a modern snowmobile turns out to be 14,000 mph. They were leaving trails of flaming snow behind them. I tried to exercise Adult Supervision by yelling, "HEY! GUYS! BE CAREFUL! HEY!" but they couldn't hear me, because sound travels only so fast.

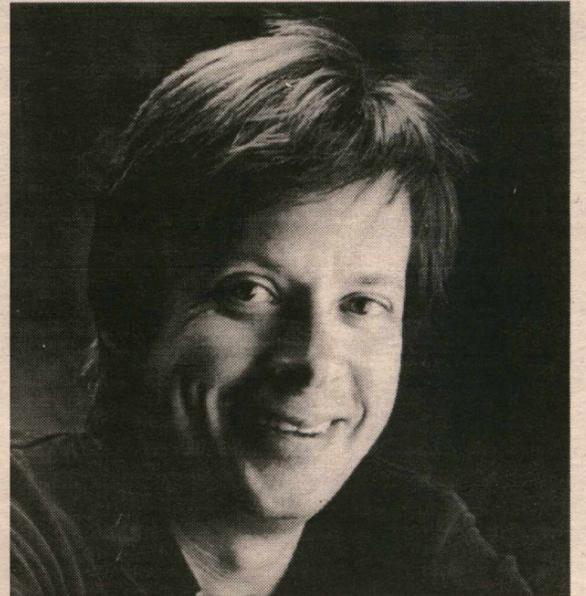
So off we went, into the snow-

covered wilds of Idaho, with the two Flaming No-Judgement Blurs roaring ahead, followed at an increasing distance by the Rapidly Aging Shouting Man. We would have been inside the Arctic Circle by nightfall if Ryan had not driven into the creek. It was not his fault. He didn't see the creek. Some idiot had failed to put up a freeway-style sign with 15-foot-high letters saying "CREEK," and so Ryan naturally drove into it.

Since your modern snowmobile weighs as much as a freight locomotive, we were unable to pull Ryan's out, so he got on the back of mine and we all rode sheepishly back to the Smiley Creek Lodge. There we learned that another tourist party was also having problems; A man had gotten himself and his son stuck in deep snow, and they couldn't get out. The man's wife, who had not been wild about the snowmobiling idea in the first place, was informing the lodge personnel that she wanted her son back, but as far as she was concerned, they could leave her husband out there. (She was kidding.) (Sort of.)

While this drama was unfolding, another group of tourists returned and announced that they, too, had planted a snowmobile somewhere out in Idaho.

None of this bothered the nice snowmobile-rental man. He calmly called in some local Idaho men--soft-spoken, strong, competent-looking men; the kind of men who never get their snowmobiles stuck and could probably survive for weeks in the wilderness by eating pine cones. They went out and rescued the father and



son, and then they went and pulled out all of the stuck snowmobiles. I realized that this was routine for them; on any given winter day, probably two-thirds of the Idaho population is busy pulling tourist-abandoned snowmobiles out of creeks, snowbanks, trees, mine shafts, condominiums, etc.

So it all ended well, and the boys thought snowmobiling was the coolest thing we could have done short of blowing up a building. I, on the other hand, was looking for a more restful mode of snow transportation, and I'm pleased to report that I found one: it requires no gasoline; it goes at a nice safe speed, and it doesn't get stuck. On the other hand, it emits an amazing amount of weewee.

NEXT WEEK: Dogsledding.

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