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In Campus News



Chapel takes a new twist this week when Steve Garber and Prof. Shaw (left) go to the podium to address election issues. Page 2 has all the details.

In World News



These guys talked, and you should listen. Read our analysis on page 11.



In Sports

IM league features big plays, close games, blowouts, and a great performance by Blake Wolf (left). See page 13.



Column One

Welcome race fans, to yet another complete, unabridged issue of *The Crusader*. As I look at my nifty indiglo watch, I note that it is twelve-thirty p.m. on Tuesday, October eighth.

I just thought that you might be interested to know that I've been here since 7 p.m. on Monday because of late-breaking developments in the Corlett Hall campaign and possible changes to President Quissell's hair color. From what I hear (I'm kinda new) this isn't an unusual occurrence.

There are two things that you should know about this phenomenon, known in the medical world as Crusadaris up-all-nightis.

1. We work really hard on this paper.
2. *The Crusader* office is really, really weird at about 4 in the morning. (For evidence, see every issue's "Staff Infection," compiled by yours truly.)

I must admit that there's nothing quite like looking up from a computer monitor to discover that God decided to start Tuesday without consulting me first. You know, there's supposed to be procedure here, sleep, then Tuesday, not the other way around.

However, this just illustrates the incredible depths and heights, such as the second floor of the student center, that *The Crusader's* staff will go to in order to provide the best possible publication for Northwest Nazarene College's students.

Let the races begin,

Jason Isbell
Opinions Editor

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Nampa's best food is found at...

Just maybe, there may have been, in your own personal storied career at NNC, an evening when you just didn't feel like eating in the cafeteria. Unfortunately for you, though, you probably felt underwhelmed by Nampa's selection of dining establishments.

The Crusader, once again, will solve your problems while pointing out that this area offers good food at good prices. Some staff members have compiled quite a list of places whose show of quality compels us to say, "Eat there!"

Any restaurant or coffee shop that feels left out can just send a \$50 gift certificate to *The Crusader*, and our editors will ensure it ranks among our best eats next time.



These are just some of the many places that deserve your immediate culinary examination.

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Can integrity, politics mix?

My most enjoyable movie experience of the last twelve months was watching *The American President*. Its collection of witty one-liners, its convincing plot, and the superior acting performances make it a film I would watch over and over.

In mid-September, a man who once served as this nation's Vice President passed away. His funeral drew no international dignitaries and was conducted in relative obscurity. Spiro T. Agnew served as the backup to the most powerful man in the world from 1968 to 1973, then was convicted on charges of tax evasion. The ugly incident resulted in his imprisonment.

Where's the connection? Read on.

... Aramis' story is continued on page 7 ...

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"In an imperfect state of the human mind, the interests of the truth require a diversity of opinions."

~John Stuart Mill, 1859

Convocation speakers to address election-year issues

By Gina Grate
Campus Editor

The Citizens Awareness Committee has taken over chapel this week, with guest chapel speakers Dr. Steve Shaw and Steve Garber, and an evening of panel discussion / question and answer time.

Jolene Hruza, Chair of the Citizens Awareness Committee, a branch of the ASNNC President's cabinet, said, "The goal of the club is to help inform and educate the students and the community of Northwest Nazarene College about citizenship, voting and the issues; being an effective citizen isn't just going out and voting."

Tomorrow in chapel, Steve Garber, Director of American Studies at the Coalition of Christian Colleges and Universities, located in Washing-

ton D.C., will be speaking about how we can approach the elections as Christians. Garber is a dynamic speaker who has been featured at many colleges.

Thursday night, from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., a panel discussion involving five or six professors will be held in the Wordsworth Dining Area. Open microphones will be available for students to ask questions and express opinions. Topics to be discussed include the importance of character in a presidential candidate, the 15% tax cut proposed by Dole, welfare reform, and education. Refreshments will be served.

"We're hoping to have a pretty wide span of left and right wing ideas," Hruza said. "I really encourage students to come. It's a chance for students to express their opinions and see what other people think."

Friday's chapel speaker will be NNC's very own Steve Shaw, professor of political science. He plans to address the relationship between one's religion and political involvement.

"I'm going to look at the question, 'What does it mean to be a citizen and a Christian?'" Shaw said. "We're always told 'You have a duty to vote' and part of my approach is, 'Why should you vote? Do you have an extra obligation to be involved if you're a Christian?'"

Shaw chose to discuss this topic because he wants students to think more carefully about politics. "I think part of God's order is the

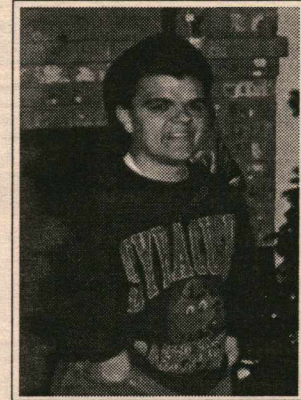
"[Part] of God's order is the political world and we need to think about politics critically," said Prof. Shaw.

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Future plans of the Citizens Awareness Committee involve a bulletin board across from the mail boxes in the Student Center, where announcements will be posted about things students can watch for in the campaigns, and information about how to get involved in the campaigns.

During the week of the national presidential election, there will be a mock election in which students may vote; a tally will be kept going with results posted every so often during the day.

Students who want to vote in November's national election, but haven't registered, can obtain registra-



As ASNNC's Executive Vice President, Junior Lincoln Loeber oversees Senate's weekly operations.

In Senate this week... Senate's Wednesday night meeting time was changed to 7:45pm, to accommodate students and officers who desire to attend Time Out.

The issue of getting benches for the Gazebo was discussed.

Senator Lande offered to raise the issue of getting dorm vacuums and new ASNNC sound equipment at the Campus Life Committee meeting.

The issue of continuing NNC's radio program is also expected to be discussed at the Campus Life Committee meeting.

The executive of-

ficers gave their reports and an announcement about open positions in the Student/Faculty Committee will be placed in the Cru-Keys.

NNC ————— 1 ————— Notepad



Steve Shaw, Professor of Political Science, is scheduled to speak in chapel on Friday.

NNCalendar

October 8 - 20	8	9	10	11	Weekend 12-13
	8:30a - 12:00p ACT Exam 10:15a Faculty/Staff Fellowship WDR 4:00 MSoc- Concordia	10:15a Chapel 4:00p WSoc - Albertson 9:00p Time Out	7:00p Elections Panel <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Elections Issues Event</div>	10:15a Chapel 7:00p VB - WBC	12:00p Fall Festival 1:00p VB - WOSC 3:00p WSoc - WOSC
14	15	16	17	18	Weekend 19-20
10:15a Chapel Freshman Council sign- ups begin	3:30p Faculty Meeting	10:15a Chapel 11:00a - 6:00p Sr. yearbook pictures 5:30 - 7:00p Frosh RA mtg 9:00p Time Out	11:00a - 6:00p Sr. yearbook pictures	10:15a Chapel 11:00a - 6:00p Sr. yearbook pictures 4:00p MSoc - Concordia 7:00p VB - Concordia	9:00a WSoc - Weber State University 12:00p MSoc W Baptist 1:00p VB - SOSC 7:30p Fresherec - SLC Jr. Class Mud Bowl

Looking Ahead in October:

October 21st
Freshman campaigning begins; Spiritual Emphasis Week kicks off

October 24th
Prevue Days (your cue to eat out all weekend)

October 26th
R.U.S.H.; Prevue Days ends (there is a God)

NNC Notepad

In residential news... At 9:30 this morning, Corlett's Peer Board submitted to Dr. Ken Hills an informal request for the lifting of most Open House restrictions in their dorm. Corlett residents voted last week in favor of rescinding visitation rules.

Dr. Ken Hills, Vice President for Student Development, informed the students that they, in conjunction with their Resident Director, needed to draft an official proposal that would be sent before the Residential Life Board for examination and potential approval.

Students contended that they should have

Corlett Hall seeks to eliminate Open House rules; must wait for further approval

the same lack of restrictions as Olsen Apartments. However, Hills indicated to *The Crusader* that Olsen is not totally rules-free. To be continued...

--NNC Notepad notes taken by Gina Grate, Campus News Editor, and John Fraley, Editor-in-Chief

NNC ————— 2 ————— Notepad

NNC ministry clubs spread chaos around Nampa

By Helen Warriner
Operations Manager

It was total chaos this weekend. Well, not exactly, but about 70 people turned out bright and early Saturday morning to participate in C.H.A.O.S. Christians Helping Another Out of Service is an annual event in which students join campus ministry clubs to go minister to others in the Nampa area. Students met at 9:00 a.m. to breakfast on doughnuts and juice before splitting up into various ministry groups.

"I was very pleased that we had such participation, considering all the other activities going on," said Campus Ministries Coordinator Jonathan Lindley. "I planned C.H.A.O.S. as a kick-off for the ministry clubs. I think this is an important ministry, and it's different from R.U.S.H. because we try to deal with people rather than just do a service project."

The presidents of the ministry

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Jon Lindley



A CHAOS volunteer works hard at the Lifeline Pregnancy Care Center (photo by Gina Grate).

clubs did all the "dirty work" and arranged services for the students to do during the morning. Ministry to the Elderly participants, for example, went to Sunnyridge and Holly Care Centers to visit with elderly residents. Ministry to Young Parents went to Lifeline Pregnancy Center and did grounds work.

"There's just something about hard work that adds an element of togetherness when you're meeting new people," said senior Heather Slater.

Angels and Best Friends combined efforts and spent the morning playing Bingo with mentally handicapped elderly and teenagers.

"I think this is a really neat activity because it is an example of what we (Angels Ministry group) do every week. This highlight of these people's lives are when the NNC students come. It is so great when we take time out of our schedules to care," said senior Cari Epley.

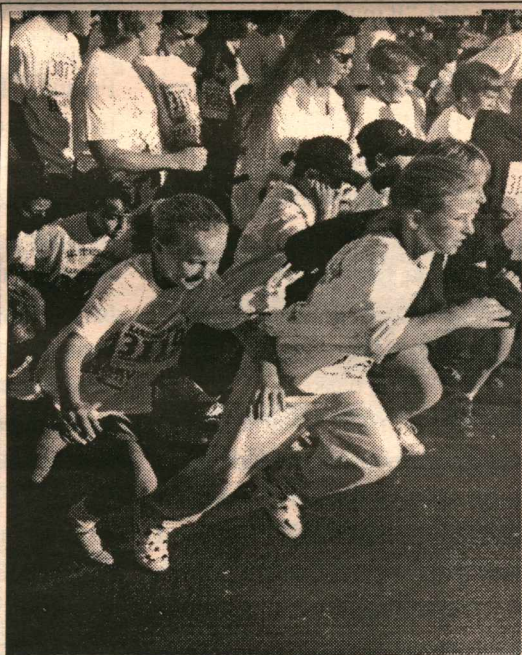
For more information on any of the ministry clubs, contact Campus Ministries Coordinator Jon Lindley.



CHAOS volunteers at Lifeline Pregnancy Center laid weedblock, shoveled gravel and pruned trees (photo by Gina Grate).

NNCers help pull off Fun Run

Students got more than just a free t-shirt at the Harvest Classic Fun Run; they directed traffic, helped participants register, and clocked runners.



Runners bolted from the starting line at the Harvest Classic Fun Run, which took place last Saturday (photo by Chtangeev).



From left to right, Mandy Boorman, Courtney Stout, and Lane Schmelzenbach display their new t-shirts (Chtangeev).



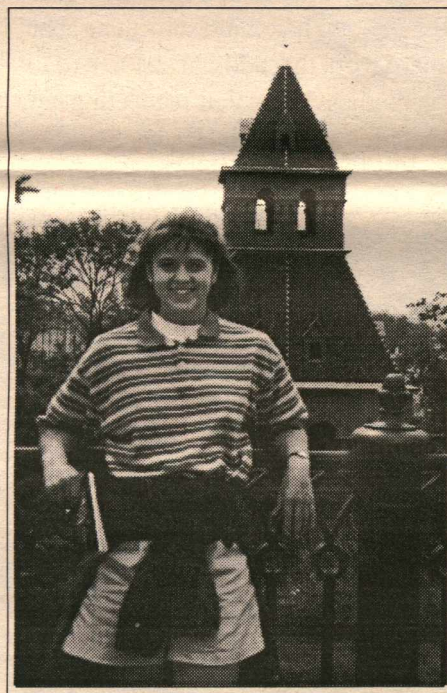
"Christians Helping one Another Out of Service" volunteers helped in places like Hope House (photo by Chtangeev).

Students share exciting summer experiences

By Shannon Adams
Staff Writer

Every student looks for a job during the summer. Whether or not that job is working in your home town or on another continent depends on what you're looking for. Several of our students returned this fall with job experiences that were anything but average.

Junior Kristin Thiederman went with her home church, Bethel Church in Richland, Washington, on a missions trip to Bataan, Costa Rica for two weeks. "It was extremely hot and humid weather, but it was something you got past," Thiederman said. In Costa Rica she helped to construct a Sunday School building for the church, put on a VBS and played soccer with the local children. Communication was often frustrating because of the language barriers, so Thiederman and her team witnessed with their actions. "The experi-



Youth in Missions this summer Bryan spent the summer with the Bresee Institute in Los Angeles, California, where she worked with homeless and at-risk youth. "L.A. is a huge city with thousands of people, and God knows each person," Bryan said. "The only difference between us and homeless people is God's mercy in where he placed us on earth." Most of her time was spent working at the youth center there as well as attending a few classes. After working down in L.A., Bryan has decided to start a rehabilitation clinic for people who can't afford it. "How can He give me a dream... but I know it's possible because God can do anything."

Senior Katie Klosterman also worked with Youth and Missions, traveling to Russia for the second time. Klosterman was a counselor at the first Nazarene teen camp in Russia. She also helped at VBS and softball camps. "[It made me realize] how radical and life-changing the love of God is," Klosterman

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said. "People who are in that church are there because they were radically changed by God. It really made me aware of how incredible God is." The second day she was there the group was working on

renovating an apartment for an orphaned 13-year-old boy and his alcoholic grandfather. Standing in a room with rats crawling on the floor and bugs on the wall, Klosterman realized what Christ meant when he instructed his disciples to care for the poor and weak. The boy worked for the church part-time, and as the summer went on Klosterman was excited to see him open up to others as well as to God.

In Seattle, Washington, senior Beth Madsen worked with Union Gospel Mission Youth Reach Out Center. She was a counselor and teacher for third through fifth grade at-risk kids. "I feel a lot more open toward people of different backgrounds," Madsen said. "There was no set style there but it was awesome." Madsen lived in transitional housing where families go after they have lived in a shelter. "[This summer] totally taught me to trust in God for everything. It showed me how powerful prayer is and how we take it for granted.



Sophomore Jeremy Meehan, center, guides a white-water raft at his high-thrill summer job (photo provided by Meehan).

[God] seems very real to me, not just a big invisible master. Now he seems like my best friend."

In Cusick, Washington, sophomore Laura Rodgers worked at Riverview Bible camp as an arts and crafts director. She helped maintain the grounds and was a co-leader at a VBS. "It's made me realize that I still need lots of patience in my life, after working with children and other staff members," Rodgers said. "It made me also realize that there are lots of good people out there. It's amazed me that he loves me wherever I am."

Junior Angela Bynum was yet another NNC student who worked with Youth in Missions. She and Laurie Vail went to Atlanta, Georgia working with eight Nazarene churches in the area. There she helped with Sunshine Clubs and sports clinics: basketball, soccer, and softball with a devotional at the end. "I learned a lot about myself and how to not judge others without really knowing them," Bynum said. "I know I changed in a lot of ways that are hard to explain. Some things I don't even know myself. It was just a really good experience overall."

Bynum had opportunities to give testimonies at different youth groups or in front of church congregations. "I realized how much he loves us and cares about us and how he'll always be there. My primary goal was to show Jesus' love to everybody I met and I think that I accomplished that in a way. I think he really used me and our whole team to just really

touch the lives of a lot of people. I definitely left my comfort zone."

Sophomore Jeremy Meehan had a job as a white water rafting and horseback guide in Riggins, Idaho. According to Meehan, the experience was challenging because he was not used to being responsible for other people's lives. "I got to meet a lot of people," Meehan said. "Each day you spend on the river with people. [You] get to meet people from all over the world. I took people down from England, Korea and Poland." To be a rafting guide Jeremy had to meet the state's requirements, which included taking three trips down each section of the river he was going to guide. His outfitter then signed that he was qualified. "[The outfitter] wanted to teach us to read the river ourselves because the river changes every day." Meehan said that God became more real to him during his summer. "I learned how to talk about my beliefs to different types of people. That helped me to grow as a person, just understanding different walks of life, learning about the real world outside of NNC."



Beth Madsen poses with the kids at her '96 summer ministry (photo provided by Madsen).

ence has stuck with me and it's something I have to make myself apply everyday." She returned with the encouragement that she needed to be a missionary here, in the States.

In eastern Oregon, junior Julia Crockett was working for the Bureau of Land Management. There she fought fires, mostly by doing burnouts. "They wanted us to burn out an area," Crockett said. "It's basically trying to prevent [the fires] from getting really large." The first fire to which she was appointed had already burned 7,000 acres. She was assigned there for three days. "You always want to have some degree of fear. You always want to have precautions. Some mornings when you woke up where I lived it would be all smoking. Some mornings the sun would be completely red. It was pretty incredible." Crockett worked in Oregon during one of the worst fire seasons since 1960.

Senior Tracy Bryan was one of several NNC students to work with

REVIEWS

Those things they do

I wanted to hate this movie. I wanted to hate this movie really, really bad. I hate the "fifties." All the bright happy kitchen appliances and the wonder of television and that evil "rock and roll" and every other thing that the nineties "aren't" that the fifties "were." I don't like Tom Hanks. Ever since Apollo 13, I've wanted to walk up to him and say, "You know, Apollo 13 wasn't that great, and you weren't anything special in it," but since he's Tom Hanks, Apollo 13 was "great!" I really wanted to hate this movie.

Couldn't do it. This is a terribly happy movie. There are no bad guys, no failures. It has the greatest ending. I love the characters, even the ones that aren't perfect, because they're still basically good people, with realistic problems.

"Shades" is the hero, smart, good-looking, even-tempered. He may not have all the answers, but he's sure everything will work out all right.

Jimmy's the talent, emotional and gifted, dedicated to his music. Lenny is the class clown, he's always got a joke, but all he wants is the girls.

The bass player is lost, the misfit that never quite connected, but has a heart of gold.

Faye is the girlfriend, an angel, as perfect as the sunshine, as everyday as Spam. Every male in the theater will fall in love with her, guaranteed.

The story goes something like this: Small town band (the Wonders or Oneders depending on where you are in the movie) slowly hits the big time and becomes one of a myriad of "one hit wonders" in the rock industry. End of story.

No one gets killed (there is absolutely no violence, nothing even close), no one gets ripped off (no crime, even the Hollywood people are honest), no one goes power crazy, no one yells at anyone else.

Despite all this, this is an amazing movie. I kept waiting for something

bad to happen. I kept hoping for something bad to happen, something to tarnish this story of non-perfect lives that end up being just perfect nonetheless.

The acting is an incredibly flawless performance by the entire cast. Tom Hanks is the only "name" in the movie, and his name is everywhere in the credits (written by, produced by, directed by, and principal role in), but thankfully his face is blissfully absent from the movie for the great majority of the film.

The acting goes a long way in making this film, because it is a rarity in Hollywood, a movie based on characters, not on plot or special effects. The plot gives us a vehicle in which we might journey through the characters' lives, see a piece of their souls, see a bit of ourselves.

That's what surprised me most about this film, that I felt lifted from time;

That Thing You Do

Starring Tom Hanks

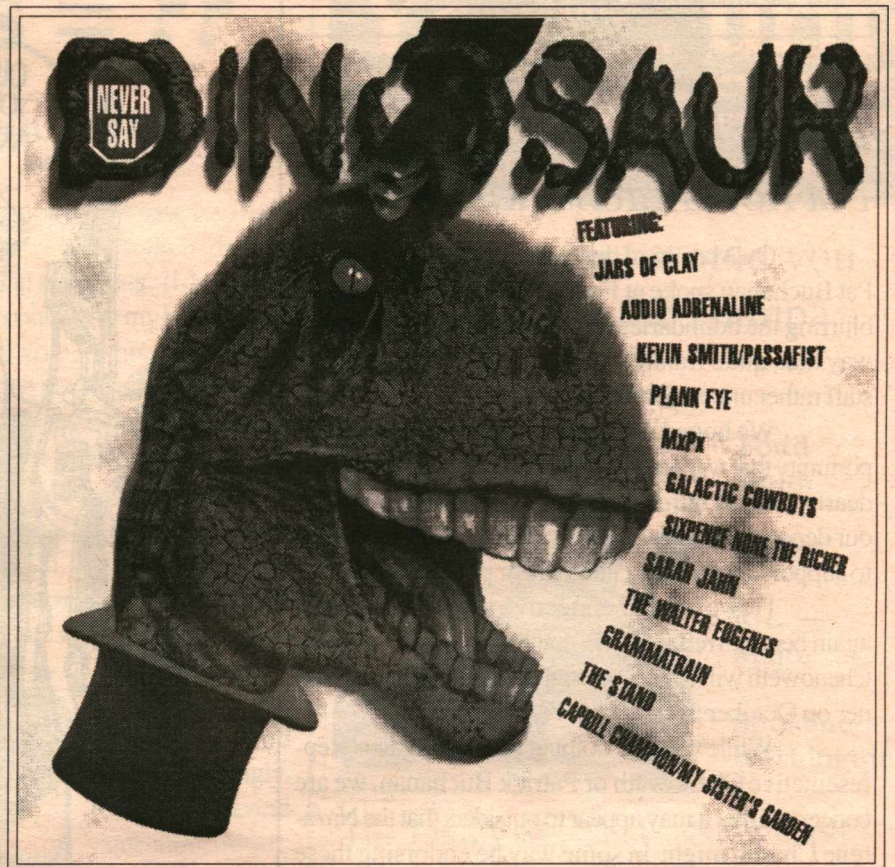
Reviewed by Jason Isbell

Crusader Rating



the era was just backdrop, the people were center stage.

Once the backdrop was removed, once I forgot that the movie was set in the early nineteen sixties, when everything was perfect, the "good ol' days," then did I realize that I knew people like this, that everyone knew people like this, and that maybe the "good ol' days" aren't as far away as I once thought.



New groups breath life into the Petra *Dinosaur*

Never say Dinosaur: A Petra Tribute

Various Artists

Reviewed by Jesse Rench

Crusader Rating



As I take this first plunge into reviewing music for the *Crusader* I find it fitting that the first album I review is a tribute to the band that got me into Christian rock. Almost ten years ago I bought my very first Christian rock album, Petra's *THIS MEANS WAR*. If any band deserves a tribute album, Petra is the band.

Never Say Dinosaur has to be one of the best tribute albums around. Starsong has assembled a great bunch of artists for this project. Songs are covered by the Jars of Clay, Audio Adrenaline, Plank Eye, MxPx, Sixpence None The Richer, and Grammatrain.

Most of the songs on this album are from Petra's earlier albums. That's right, before *THIS MEANS WAR*.

Audio Adrenaline starts the album with style, with "Taste and See." Next the Walter Eugenes step up to bat with their version of the classic "Judas' Kiss." After that the Galactic Cowboys take off with an awesome version of (appropriately) "Not of this World" that really rocks. Newcomer Sarah Jahn saved my CD player from meltdown with the

beautiful ballad "Yahweh Love." MxPx is next up and they crank the tempo back up with a terrific punk version of "I Can Be Friends With You."

After MxPx, Jars of Clay is showcased on the wonderful ballad called "Rose Colored Stained Glass Windows." Next in the lineup is a new song called "Louie's Solo" by Kevin Smith of DCTalk and the band Passafist. Sixpence None The Richer then does a wonderful job on the song "Road To Zion," with captivating vocals by Leigh Bingham. Following "Road To Zion" is "Pied Piper" played by The Stand. This song has very good lyrics and a great bluesy rock feel. Grammatrain speeds by with their version of the song "Wake Up." Caprill Champion and My Sister's Garden bring a lovely folk sound to Petra's "The Coloring Song." Plank Eye rounds out the album with a slowed down version of "All The King's Horses."

This album has two things going for it -- quality of music and a diversity that is sure to please any music fan, not to mention all Petra fans.

A very nice touch was put into the jacket design. It details who covered the song, and it allows one of the members of each band to remark on the effect that Petra had on their life.

Paul Roraback of Grammatrain sums up how most of these artists feel. Paul says: "In my loneliest years of high school, when the Christian kids were judging me and my old friends were mocking me because I found Christ, I found comfort in the message of Petra's music. They pointed me to Jesus, where I found the desire to keep living, and the love that healed my broken, confused heart."

If you are a Petra fan I would suggest getting this CD. Keep on rocking Petra.

CRUSADER REVIEWS

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- ☼☼☼ GOOD STUFF.
- ☼☼☼☼ KICKS SOME SERIOUS FISH!!

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Staff Editorials

Peanut butter and chocolate, but not church and state...

On May 26 of this year, presidential hopeful Pat Buchanan spoke at First Church of the Nazarene, blurring the boundaries between church and state in a way that, quite frankly, made much of *The Crusader* staff rather uncomfortable.

We hoped it was an isolated incident (an opportunity that was too good to be passed up). We hoped dearly that no church, especially not one belonging to our denomination, would be so bold as to even appear to support a particular candidate or political party.

However, our collective paranoia has once again been stirred, as news that Representative Helen Chenoweth will be the "special guest" at a seniors' dinner on October 15.

While we have nothing personal against Representative Chenoweth or Patrick Buchanan, we are concerned that it may appear to outsiders that the Nazarene Church might in some way be endorsing these candidates.

We feel that even approaching political issues as a church is a cheapening of our religion and our God. The Nazarene Church is a religious organization, which, according to its 1989 manual, page 5, "exists to serve as an instrument for advancing the kingdom of God through the preaching and teaching of the gospel throughout the world. Our well defined commission is to preserve and propagate Christian holiness as set forth in the scriptures, through the conversion of sinners, the reclamation of backsliders, and the entire sanctification of believers."

Oddly enough, supporting a particular candidate or party was left out of our manual. Perhaps churches of our denomination could spend less time promoting a political agenda and more time promoting the God they worship. And perhaps our denomination could thus hope to retain some credibility.

Staff Infection

That's called fertilization...John is wearing an American flag as a dress?...If we were really liberal we'd have to burn him now...Taco Bell closes at midnight!!! Talk about heresy!...Maybe we should start opening press night with prayer...you're kidding, right?...the evil John!...You know, the goatee...Gina: Dole's so cute. Heather: That's what we need, a cute president...DOLE!!!...affair...young men...aromatic Nampa beaches...it actually sounds like a sinking hell...isn't that a hair growth solution...no that's Ovaltine...how did Steve Shaw get saved under our food directory?...you can't insure amphibians!...they have potatoes in Belgium don't they?...who cares, that one's finished.

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**Hypocrisy in smoking debate**

By Chris Field
Staff Writer

Are you someone who is really bothered by the smokers of America? Are you angry with the Republican Party for its "soft" stance on tobacco? Are you upset that the Republicans are receiving money from the tobacco companies?

If so, then what you are about to read is directed at you. If you do not fall under any of these categories, read on anyway--this should be interesting.

Over the past few months our caring and compassionate friends in the White House (and their cohorts) have been "crusading" against tobacco companies and users. They trumpet the fact that the Republicans receive money from tobacco companies and that Bob Dole has not come out with a hard stance against tobacco.

We have also heard how tobacco is killing our country with lung disease and second-hand smoke. Smoking is no longer allowed in most businesses across the country because of its "negative" effect on productivity in the workplace; hurting our economy.

It's quite interesting listening to the Clinton administration demean smokers and tobacco companies; while at the same time Clinton smokes his cigars in the White House. Isn't it amazing how the media seems to forget these "trivial" things?

Speaking of double standards, did anyone happen to catch Al Gore's speech at the Democratic National Convention? He spoke about his sister who was a smoker

and died of lung disease. It was a very moving speech; even a cold-hearted conservative such as myself was able to feel for the Gores.

It really irked me that no one pointed out one important fact about the Gores. Do you know where Al Gore's family made all of their money? Tobacco farming.

While campaigning not long ago, Al Gore went to a meeting with tobacco farmers and producers and claimed that he was one of them--that he remembered farm-

It's interesting listening to the Clinton administration demean smokers and tobacco companies, while Clinton smokes his cigars in the White House.

ing, cutting, stripping, and selling the tobacco with his own hands as a youngster.

Then the Democrats had the audacity to point out that the Republicans receive tobacco money--without looking in the mirror at their own party first. It was quite interesting to find out, from a conservative journalist of course, that the main supporter at the post-rally parties for the Democrats was Phillip Morris, one of the biggest tobacco companies in the country. Hypocrites.

"That's all just politics," you may be screaming, but let me point

you in another direction on this issue. Think about what these people are suggesting--an eventual ban on tobacco sales. These anti-tobacco folks seem to forget to point out that tobacco is this country's second leading cash crop. Talk about hurting the economy.

"A ban?" you may ask. Yes, that is what it is leading to. First we are forcing warning labels on all tobacco products, and then we are limiting advertising and sales. Now, I will admit that there is evidence (not proof) that tobacco use can lead to cancer. But my point is that we are limiting our targets.

If you believe cigarettes kill, fine. But what about automobiles? Shouldn't we force automobile companies to label their cars with warnings that say, "If you're not careful with this machine, you could kill yourself or someone else"? What about swimming pools? alcohol? sex? What about second-hand sex--the people whose partners sleep around?

Over fifty-five million people in the U.S. have an STD. There are forty-six million smokers. Shouldn't we be on a bigger crusade against adultery? If we were as avidly against illicit sex as we are smoking, then maybe our AIDS problem wouldn't be so severe.

My list of hypocrisies about tobacco within the Democratic Party could go on and on. The list of items we could ban is even longer. My point is that America has more important problems than smoking.

We have a heart problem. And when our heart problem is fixed, then everything else will fall into place.

Integrity + politics = ??

How much faith can we expect to have in our leaders?

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President made me feel good. It made me yearn for a chief executive in whom I could have faith -- one for whom I could enthusiastically vote and about whom I could honestly feel good. On the other hand, scandals such as Agnew's tax evasion tendencies, Watergate, Iran-Contra, and Whitewater (to name but a few) seriously challenge my hope for a better political tomorrow.

Indeed, an unfortunate number of current roadblocks team with history to pose serious threats to re-establishing faith in our leaders. For one, our current national boss is surrounded by such a cloud of wrongdoing that it's fast becoming impossible to believe he could be innocent on all counts in every case. It often seems his soul has undergone a sort of ethic cleansing, best described as an

operation during which all stains of virtue are removed. If you had a choice, would you trust Clinton with anything of value?

At the same time, I have trouble seeing his Republican challenger as little more than a career politician whose only convictions are those that would help him win four weeks from today. Can we seriously trust Dole more than Clinton, or is it self-deception to believe any politician?

Putting trust in Congress to heal the nation's evils is scoffed at by most people these days. Not only is sorting through this season's crop negative advertising a trying task, but it also leaves us with a bitter taste, regardless of who ends up being sent to Capitol Hill. It seems that there is far more emphasis on the inglorious than the glorious these days; and if congress(wo)men are ever to be admired again, their positive side -- assuming it even exists at all -- must enjoy a rebirth.

The above circumstances

3 Musketeers

are probably compounded by the fact that many of today's influential journalists came of age during the malodorous early seventies. Agnew's demise was soon followed by the revelation of President Nixon's Watergate misstep. The White House had been rented out to a couple of crooks, it appeared, and henceforth that generation

needs to set aside his morals. That's ludicrous. I want somebody who believes in something. If that something is contrary to my beliefs, then fine, I'll vote for his or her opponent in the next election. But give me somebody who'll make decisions based on clear thinking, reasonable advice, and personal convictions, not based on the latest opinion poll. I'd like to think we elect a representative government because we want representatives

who'll make decisions, not watch numbers and vote accordingly. To the second question, my answer is a much less resounding "Um, kind of." It's naive, indeed, to expect any future President to be a combination of Christ and Gandhi, to paraphrase on of Professor Steve Shaw's lectures. Power corrupts, and absolute power corrupts absolutely. The power concentrated in the Oval Office is certainly not absolute, but it's also far more potent than your everyday run-of-the-mill power. So



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would be naive to believe it could put its complete trust in the Oval Office's future occupants. And thus, cynicism gets passed down through "the news" to those who weren't lucky enough to be alive in our golden age of politics.

Yet movies such as *President* reveal something about our national psyche that deserves analysis. Michael Douglas's Andrew Shephard is a real person. He's got real feelings: he can't stand that he has to bomb Libya in retaliation for a Qadhafi-sponsored terrorist attack; he loves his daughter; and he's got convictions which are thankfully not of a judicial nature. He's adept at the game of politics without being a fake. Now the questions are, do we want somebody like that in the White House? And is such a hope anything but hopelessly naive?

To the first question, my answer is a resounding "Yes!" I won't bring myself to believe that in order to govern, a president

while it may not corrupt absolutely, it's dangerous enough to cause ethics to mysteriously vanish every so often.

This is not a call to vote against our incumbent friend Bill, as much as many of you would love for it to be. Who's to say Bob Dole is any better? Just because the Christian Coalition likes one candidate more than another doesn't make him or her any better of a person.

The call in the above paragraphs is to restore a healthy climate of trust, confidence, and admiration in today's political scene. That may sound suspiciously like idealistic wishful thinking. However, behind that thinking lies a statement I will stand by: it can't possibly have helped this nation for its most visible leaders to have let us down this frequently, and it can't possibly hurt for them to mend their ways.

--Contributed by Aramis

Your Turn

Random answers from random students on random issues

What restaurant would you recommend in the Nampa area?



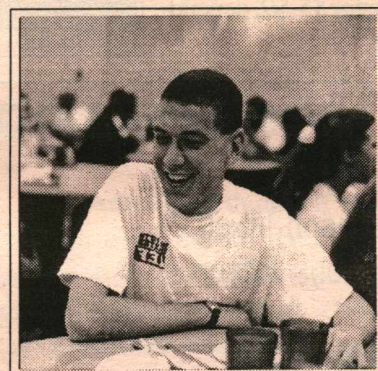
Todd Smith
Junior
Art Major
Spokane, Washington

"The Flying M. They've got good, eclectic music, dark coffee, art on the wall and butcher paper and crayons."



Kenny Wade
Sophomore
Youth Ministries Major
Fort Wayne, Indiana

"The Egyptian restaurant in Boise on Broadway, because they have belly dancers. I went there on a double date last year. It was nice."



Mark Walker
Sophomore
Religion Major
Longview, Washington

"Marriott of course! Because there's pictures on the salad bar. Plus, you never know what they're gonna serve up."



Melanie Reardon
Junior
Elementary Education Major
Boston, Mass.

"Jack in the Box. It's the only place I've eaten. I wouldn't say it's my favorite place. My word, I've only been here for two weeks."

Some of the best foods, desserts

ETHNIC FOODS

By Gina Grate
Campus Editor

Aculpulco's

Aculpulco's, at 16 12th Ave. South, is the best Mexican restaurant in Nampa because it has a great atmosphere, is very clean, and its service is *muy rapido!* Meal prices range from \$5 to \$8, and the servings are massive! I recommend the *Enchiladas Tricolor*, which has a variety of items, and the *Vegetarian Burrito*.

Aculpulco's is a great place to take a date or to go with a bunch of *amigos*. And if you've got a tight budget, the servings are large enough to split with a friend and still be filling.

By Amy Riley
Cover Story Editor

Mongolian BBQ

Mongolian BBQ, located at 1123 Caldwell Blvd in Nampa, is a wonderful place to go for Asian food prepared just the way you want it. The menu in this restaurant consists of a few side orders, like egg rolls and fried rice, and a choice of three sizes of bowls which you can fill with whatever ingredients you choose.

I chose the smallest bowl and filled it with cabbage, pineapple, bamboo shoots, pea pods, carrots, noodles, beef, chicken, sweet and sour sauce, salt water, ginger and garlic. My choice of ingredients ranging from the ordinary to the wildly exotic. Once you fill your bowl, a cook fries your meal on a huge grill, right in front of you. What a delicious meal!

The price was just right for me. Anyone can eat here for \$5-\$9, depending on your appetite.



By Amy Riley
Cover Story Editor

El Tenampa

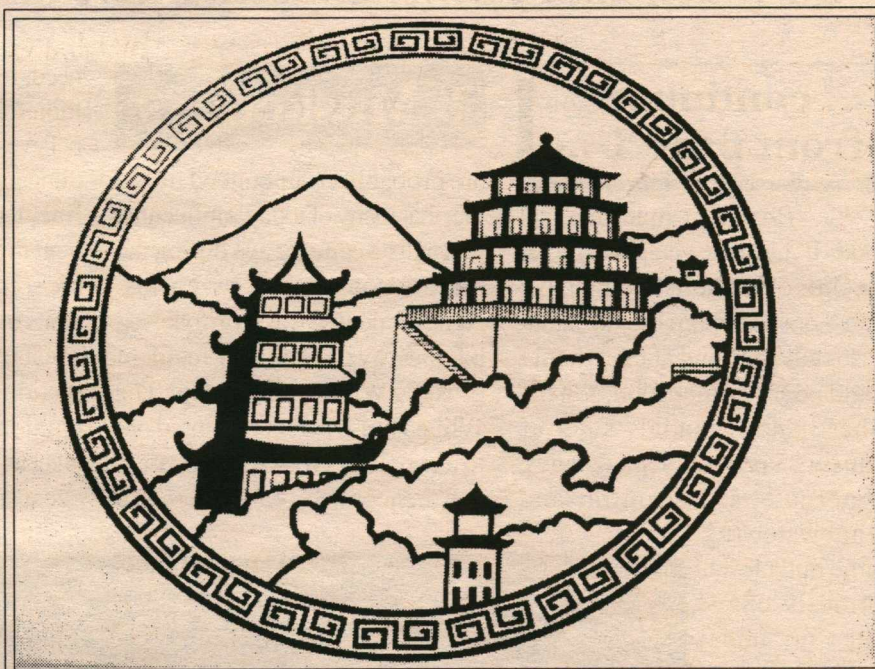
El Tenampa is the absolute best Mexican restaurant I've found in Nampa. It's located at 248 Caldwell Blvd.

As I walked into the restaurant I was greeted by the host at the register, "Hola, mi amigos! Hablan Espanol?" I told him that I didn't speak Spanish, but my friend told him that she spoke Spanish "poquito." Although I've never been to Mexico, all the brightly colored decorations and the *Mariachi* music made me feel as if I were getting a taste of Mexico already.

Aromas of salsa, rice, beans and spicy meat swirled around my head. I ordered the chicken Enchilada dish and was not at all disappointed!

Some of the major highlights of El Tenampa were the excellent food and the friendly waiters and waitresses. Something that I particularly enjoyed was that when the waiters and waitresses came up to take our order and ask if we needed anything, they spoke in Spanish first and then repeated themselves in English. It was a great experience for me, who loves incredible Mexican food but speaks no Spanish.

A friendly atmosphere and fine Mexican food is what you'll find at El Tenampa, and at just the right price. Dinner costs around \$8.



By Gina Grate
Campus Editor

The Hong Kong

The Hong Kong is an oriental restaurant at 117 12th Ave. South, in downtown Nampa. It's a great place for a group because there is such a variety of menu items, that it would satisfy everyone. Hong Kong serves sandwiches and hamburgers, breakfast, lunch and dinner, a Mongolian barbecue and authentic Chinese food. The average cost of menu items ranges from \$6.50 to \$8.50.

I recommend taking a group and ordering a family meal, which offers a salad, appetizers and several main dishes that are large enough to share with each person and still have leftovers. Hong Kong even delivers!

The service is quick and the servings are very generous, and best of all, they have fish tanks!

Western American Food

By Jason Isbell
Opinions Editor

Joe's Bar and Grill

Joe's Bar and Grill on Karcher in Nampa has some of the best American grilled burgers and sandwiches on the planet. "Joe's B.S." is their specialty, along with a few other unusual burgers such as the "Superman." They also have some more traditional meals, like their exquisite Philly steak sandwich, or perhaps some of their pastas. Prices are very reasonable, with lunch or dinner going for around seven bucks.

Another plus about this restaurant is its fan-

tastic desserts. I highly recommend the "Suicide Chocolate Cake." You name it, they have it, from shakes to pies to the all-American ice cream sundae. Dessert prices vary, but if you're celebrating a birthday, dessert is on the house for the entire group.



By Jason Isbell
Opinions Editor

Taco Bell

Without doubt, Taco Bell is the best fast food value in the valley. At two in the morning, nothing hits the spot like a double decker taco (unfortunately, now you can only get your tacos at two in the morning on weekends.) For the price, Taco Bell is the best value by far, and if you happen to be rolling in cash (as all college students are) then you can go for their pricier entrees, such as the all powerful taco salad (\$2.99) or Mexican pizza (more).

By Amy Riley
Cover Story Editor

The Sunrise Inn

The best breakfast I've had in Nampa was at the Sunrise Inn, 515 12 Avenue Rd. I had a good old western breakfast of a biscuit and sausage gravy, buttermilk pancakes and coffee for about \$5. The biscuits were gigantic and the gravy was fantastic! I'll admit, the coffee wasn't the best I've ever had, but it tasted fresh and there weren't any "floaties."

This restaurant was everything I'd expect out of a western-style cafe. The waitresses were friendly and they gave me a lot of food for a small price. One downfall of the Sunrise Inn is the haze of cigarette smoke that infiltrates the non-smoking section. If you can put up with the smoke, the Sunrise Inn is a good place for breakfast.

Of course, the best thing about Taco Bell is the perpetual Pepsi (89 cents).

By Heather Slater
Copy Editor

McDonald's

This summer, a new McDonald's opened on 12th Ave, just down the road from Jack in the Box. It's clean, it's close, and its Playland rivals Walt Disney World. The food--well, what can I say about the food? If you like McDonald's food, that's probably incentive enough to visit. As for me, I go for the Playland.

Fast Food

By John Fraley
Editor in Chief

Wendy's

Wendy's food, granted, is not the cheapest fast food in town. But it tastes the best. For a dollar more than other places, you get food that's more than a dollar better. Tight budgets need not apply, but discerning and impatient palates will be satisfied.

and coffee in the Treasure Valley

Desserts

By Amy Riley
Cover Story Editor

Shari's

It was late Friday night and I was craving a hot fudge sundae. I could have gone to Dairy Queen or to The Yogurt Affaire, but both of those fine restaurants were closed. So, where could I go? Shari's!

I ordered a Turtle Sundae and was very pleased with it. It was made of a chocolate fudge brownie, vanilla ice cream, caramel, salted peanuts, hot fudge and whipped cream. Shari's also serves incredible milk shakes of any flavor you might like.

The best thing about Shari's is that it's open 24 hours a day; no matter how late it is, you can still get some tasty desserts for under \$3. The only drawback to going to Shari's is its Meridian location.

By Gina Grate
Campus Editor

The Yogurt Affaire

The Yogurt Affaire not only has the best desserts, which include huge banana splits, giant slabs of frozen yogurt pies and of course frozen yogurt, but its prices are perfectly low. A slice of frozen yogurt pie runs under two bucks. No one has larger waffle cones (which cost approximately \$2). Their mochas and lattes are as cheap as 95 cents with a Northwesterns Blue Card.

Their yogurt toppings are tantalizing! You can choose from fresh strawberries and other fresh fruit (when in season), candy toppings and all the gooey ones like hot fudge and caramel.

Friday and Saturday nights, live musicians add to the incredibly friendly atmosphere. The patio with tables and chairs is a great place to sit in the aromatic Nampa breezes while sipping espresso or eating ice cream.

The Yogurt Affaire also offers deli-style meals, consisting of your choice of soup and a bagel or sandwich. These meals vary in price from \$3 to \$5. Desserts, coffee, deli sandwiches, soup and a warm atmosphere make the Yogi a winner.



COFFEE

By Amy Riley
Cover Story Editor

Old Towne Coffee House

Good coffee is hard to find in Nampa. However, it's not entirely impossible.

I've found an excellent place for iced mochas and hazelnut lattes in downtown Nampa. The Old Towne Coffee House has a small, quiet atmosphere and good espresso drinks. Their Panache espresso is never bitter or watered-down, their servers are always friendly and the tables are always clean.

The Old Towne Coffee

House is a great place to stop in for just a short time and enjoy a good cup-o-joe for around \$2. Even my favorite drink, a breve (or a latte made with half-and-half instead of milk) is under \$3.



By Heather Slater
Copy Editor

NNC Bookstore

If you're a typical college student, you consider caffeine to be a viable substitute for sleep - and you're broke. So go to the NNC bookstore.

For those of you who have avoided the bookstore because of certain unpleasant memories of forking over your last pennies for academic reading material, I'm talking to you. Go back. They've got coffee.

Aside from the fact that flavors such as "cinnamon swirl" and "vanilla nut" are featured every day, the coffee is FREE! If espresso is more your taste, a mocha is only a buck at the bookstore.

One last thing. I don't claim to be a coffee connoisseur, but I think it even tastes pretty good.

Get out and enjoy some of Boise's best food and coffee!

By John Fraley
Editor in Chief

American Food

Brick Oven Beanery

The next time you hear discourse that demeans "American" food, you can counter it with a description of the Brick Oven Beanery in Boise. This restaurant has everything going for it: location, price, and quality.

What do they serve? Their sandwiches are really responsible for their success, and it's easy to see why. Fresh baked bread, juicy meats, and fresh and unusual toppings are the norm, not the exception. And any of their soups are meals in themselves.

Nestled on The Grove in downtown Boise, the Beanery offers seating both indoors and out, in a bustling yet calm environment. (Does that make any sense?) Prices are best described as reasonable; you can always get a sandwich with a side order and a tall drink for under six dollars. Go there.

COFFEE

Flying M

Listen up: Flying M Espresso is Boise's best all-around coffee shop. Where else can you find colored crayons, an unlimited supply of white paper,

and a semi-grungy gift shop?

Oh, and their coffee is good, too. It's not cheap, but it's almost always smooth and seldom do they go and burn the espresso. And you can't go wrong with one of their giant cookies (\$1).

For the lactose intolerant cafffiend, Flying M will substitute soy milk for the real thing. Live music is usually playing on weekends, though it quits too early for the place to become a true late-night hang-out.

Indeed, M's only drawback is its early closing time: 10:30 on weekdays and 11 on weekends. Were the store open until midnight, it would probably enjoy increased popularity among the area's college students.

Desserts

The Galaxy Diner

I can't say enough good things about the Galaxy Diner, so I'll just choose two.

The great thing about the Galaxy is that they welcome parties of all sizes and of all spending levels. You can go in with twenty friends, each of you can order no more than a basket of fries or a flavored Coke, and they won't kick you out. What a place.

The other great thing is if you want to order an "expensive" dessert, their selection offers the tastiest treats around. Try their Hollywood Brownie (its full name is somewhat lengthier) on for size: it's a huge star-shaped brownie topped with scoops of ice cream, several cubic feet of whipped cream, and a few other tiny star-brownies, and a quart or so of rich chocolate fudge.

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1. Go to class
2. Jaywalk in front of Morrison while hiding from Law Enforcement
3. Analyze the chemical composition of Marriott's lasagna
4. Use escort service in hopes of making a love connection
5. Use soiled laundry as dorm room decor
6. Write Top Ten lists in hopes of becoming famous
7. Play video games at Chapman
8. Procrastinate
9. Play the "Give me my dollar back!" game with Chapman's change machine
10. Sleep

This list was submitted by Heather Oglevie. If you would like a chance to have your own Top Ten list published, submit your own at the Yogi.

For those of you who were hoping to see pictures of the Yogurt Affaire's Dream Date Winners, stayed tuned to this space. Their pictures will run next week.

Sarin gas may be cause of Gulf War Syndrome

By Leland Taylor
Staff Writer

Troops involved in the Gulf War may have been exposed to chemical or biological weapons, according to Pentagon sources.

This report comes in the midst of many controversies involving a mysterious illness called the "Gulf War Syndrome."

Over 22,000 veterans of the war in the Gulf have reported having similar symptoms. These symptoms include respiratory, digestive and skin diseases, fatigue and memory loss. The Pentagon has denied, until recently, that any American soldiers were exposed to chemical weapons during the conflict in the Middle East.

On April 2, a report from the Department of Defense basically stated, "There is no Persian Gulf Syndrome." The Department of Defense has since rescinded that statement and is conducting a huge investigation on chemical weapon exposure that even involves the

CIA.

Near the end of the Gulf War, March 10, 1991, U.S. troops were destroying an Iraqi weapons depot that was believed to hold only conventional weapons. It was later discovered that the storage bunker contained missiles armed with

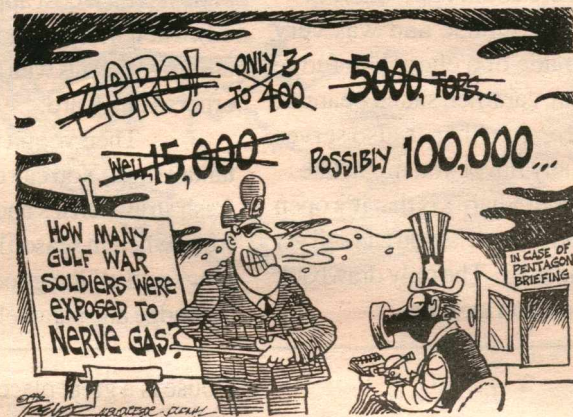
that American soldiers may be at risk because of the inoculations that they may have received before the Persian Gulf War.

In April of this year, animal experts at Duke University Medical Center announced that "harmless doses" of three chemicals used to protect the soldiers are highly toxic when combined.

The researchers found that two pesticides, DEET and permethrin and the anti-nerve gas agent pyridostigmine bromide were harmless when used alone. When the three chemicals were combined, however, they could cause side effects similar to the ones reported by many soldiers.

The Duke researchers believe that the anti-nerve gas agent deactivates the body's normal ability to protect itself against the two pesticides that also were given to the troops.

As a result, those pesticides were able to travel through the body, causing damage to the brain and nervous system.



chemical warheads. Experts believe that the deadly chemical agent known as sarin nerve gas was stored there.

Initially, it was estimated that 5,000 troops were exposed. Now, the CIA estimates that between 15,000 and 100,000 troops may have been exposed. The exact number of exposed troops is under investigation.

Another finding shows

Church tax on ballot in Colorado

By Tony Syme
Staff Writer

Nonprofit organizations in Colorado may be facing a tax-backlash as Amendment 11 goes on the state ballot next month.

Amendment 11, the brain-child of Coloradans for Fair Property Taxation, would reverse the state's decades-old law that excludes many nonprofit groups from paying property taxes, including churches and various service providers.

Pat Read, director for the Colorado Association of Nonprofit Organizations, discredits the reasoning behind the initiative.

"This is a tax on the people who are already giving and volunteering for the community. I personally believe that the services nonprofits provide are vital to the health and well-being of a community. They're as vital as police."

Attorney John Patrick Michael Murphy, a major force behind the initiative, said, "They (nonprofits) say they're a sacred cow. I wish that they would come to their senses and show the whole community that they wish to contrib-

ute to the whole community, by helping us out with our school kids and helping us with our police and fire protection and the rest of the improvements that they have the benefits of, but don't pay for."

Another key financial supporter, Jack Basart, shares Murphy's concerns.

"Nonprofits say they're a sacred cow. I wish they would come to their senses."

John Patrick

"Property tax is a small piece of the pie, yet they're fighting this as hard as they can," Basart says. "I'd like for it to be the other way, where we all belly up to the bar and pay our fair share."

Christopher Paulson, campaign director for the Citizen Action for Colorado Nonprofits, stated "The special impact [these organizations] have in their neighborhood...if [they] go out of business, then we've got to replace

the services they provide."

Murphy denies any intent to destroy nonprofit services.

Colorado Governor Roy Romer and State Treasurer Bill Owens have voiced their opposition to the proposed amendment.

Owens stated "I think this issue is so clear that we'll have broad opposition to this new tax. This is something everyone will unite against."

Passage of Amendment 11 could influence attitudes outside of Colorado. The Gazette Telegraph, a Colorado-based news source, says the new bill "would mark a profound philosophical shift in the way Americans have traditionally viewed groups that feed the hungry, extend a hand to troubled kids and offer spiritual guidance."

Ann Mitchell Sackey, executive director of the National Council for Nonprofit Associations, says passage of the bill "could define the future," but she also tones down the novelty of such political activity. "No question this has been going on for quite awhile," she says. "It was only a matter of time before nonprofits are increasingly looked at to pay taxes."

Clinton and Dole debate on issues

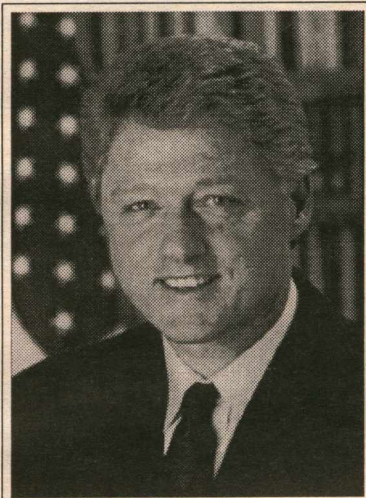
Very little mudslinging was seen in the first of two televised presidential debates

Reporting and analysis by
David Stillman
World News Editor

Bob Dole and Bill Clinton met Sunday in a debate that will probably set the tone for the next four weeks of campaigning. Both sides were remarkably civil, deliberately avoiding remarks that might be seen as mudslinging.

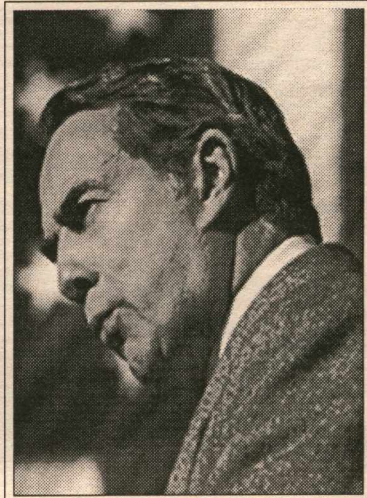
The two, prompted by questions asked by a moderator, spoke about numerous issues during their ninety-minute debate, including foreign policy, taxes, Social Security, and Medicare, while virtually ignoring Whitewater.

The only mention of it was when a question was asked about whether the President would pardon his financial partners who were



indicted. The candidates often argued over facts. Clinton said that Dole voted a tax increase bill in 1982 that was the greatest in history, when not adjusted for inflation.

Dole said that Clinton signed the greatest tax increase bill in history in 1993. Both are now touting tax reduction plans.



Notably absent from the debates was Ross Perot, the Reform Party candidate who received 19 percent of the popular vote in the 1992 election. Debate organizers excluded Perot because he had no chance of winning the election. Perot instead ran a half-hour infomercial on ABC after the de-

bates, and also appeared on Larry King Live. There, he complained that "They [the candidates] carefully ignored serious issues."

Both candidates claimed victory after the debates. "I felt good last night when an impartial observer told me I won last night's debate," said Bob Dole, and Elizabeth generally knows what she's talking about, too." In a CNN poll, 51 percent of voters thought that Clinton won the debate, while 32 percent thought that Dole won. However, 72 percent thought that Dole did better than they expected.

Unfortunately for Dole, this debate was not the turning point that he hoped it would be. Clinton still holds a comfortable double-digit lead in the polls, and Dole will really have to kick serious fish in the next two months to win the presidency.

Well, [Clinton] may be better off than he was four years ago and I may be better off four years from now."

Bob Dole

...very briefly...

The Dow Jones Industrial average broke the 6000 barrier early Monday, breaking a record high for the 28th time this year. The Dow then dropped to 5979.81 at the end of the day.

In other financial news, FOX is launching a 24-hour news cable channel to compete with CNN. The new channel will debut in 17,000,000 homes, well below the 68,000,000 which receive CNN. Rupert Murdoch, owner of FOX, hopes to overtake CNN by releasing news "without liberal bias."

Fox is not the only company to recently launch a cable news channel. MSNBC, a joint venture of Microsoft and NBC, started operating early this year.

John F. Kennedy, Jr., once called the nation's most eligible bachelor, tied the knot last Saturday without once attending NNC.

He married Carolyn Bessette in a tiny African Baptist Church on an island off the Georgia coast. Bessette, a public relations executive for Calvin Klein, began dating Kennedy in 1994, and has been living with him for the past year.

Since JFK, Jr.'s wedding, hundreds of couples have reserved the church for their own weddings.

Not too long ago the M&M-

Mars candy company added blue M&Ms to the traditional red, green, yellow, brown, and orange. Now M&M-Mars has announced that they are introducing eighteen new colors.

How would you like to eat a silver or gold M&M? You may eventually be able to, but not any time soon because the new colors are only being distributed from Colorado to the East Coast.

The eighteen new M&M colors include black and white, and such vivid colors as aqua, pink and maroon.

financial news

What do I care?

a weekly news analysis

On Sunday night, the first presidential debates for the '96 election were

broadcast on television. Probably most of the students here didn't even know, and those who did, would rather do (and did) homework. Not that I blame them; watching politicians beat around the bush and dodge questions could hardly be a popular NNC pastime.

In a poll conducted by Pew Research Centre, only 43 percent of voters said that they were very likely to watch the debates, whereas in 1992, 67 percent said that they would. Is this due the fact that 79 percent of voters -- in another Pew poll -- expect Clinton will succeed in winning a second term? Or are we just not interested? Or do we want to see Ross Perot?

Why should we be interested in the debates? For one good reason: the issues. If re-elected, Clinton wants to put the "welfare-to-work" program into action. This program would limit welfare to five years and the head of the family must secure within two years or the family will lose benefits. This could indirectly affect Social Work majors through those people with whom they intend to work.

Bob Dole, if elected, wants to reduce the federal budget deficit, while cutting income taxes by 15 percent. This, if passed, would directly affect all taxpayers. Clinton would like to, according to *TIME* magazine, develop a reading program that would improve the reading skills of kindergarteners to third graders. This would entail mobilizing 30,000 reading specialists to organize tutoring programs with 1 million volunteers. It would also provide \$300 million in grants to help low-literacy parents teach their children to read. This could definitely affect all elementary education majors here at NNC, by what kind of tutoring and supplemental education that the children are going to get outside of the classroom. So when the next debates, which will be held Oct. 16th, come around, you might want to watch to see which candidate's programs will affect your future. But if you totally get bored, then just see if the candidates actually answer the questions that they are asked.

Around the world in eighty words

Compiled by Debbie Miller
Staff Writer

Teens banned from mall

As of this past week kids under sixteen years of age who are not accompanied by adults have been banned from the Mall of America in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The ban is in effect on Friday and Saturday nights.

The Mall chose to make this move in reaction to complaints of problems with weapons, fights, harassment, reckless running and other bad behaviors.

Kids suspended for harassment

Two six-year-old boys in New York and North Carolina were recently suspended for sexual harassment. Each boy was punished for kissing one of his classmates.

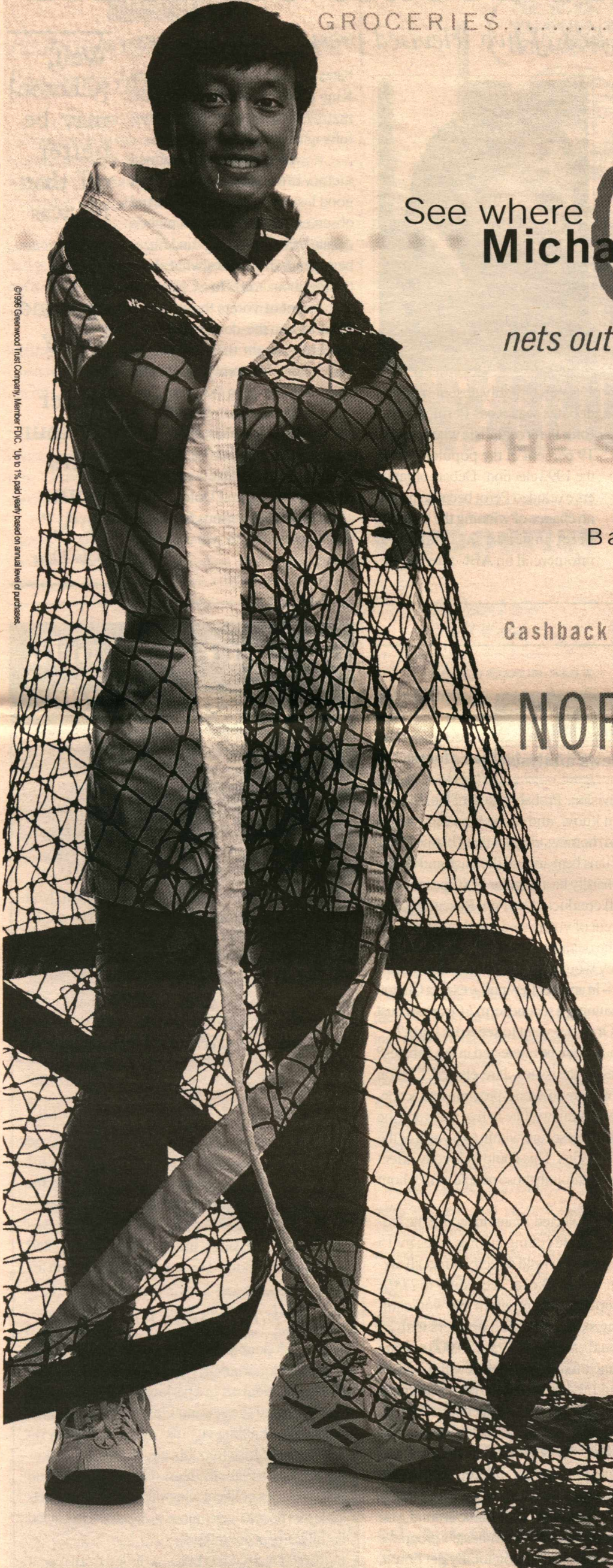
The six-year old in North Carolina was punished for kissing a little girl by being isolated in a separate room. He was suspended soon afterward.

Irish bomb wounds thirty

A double car bomb damaged the British army headquarters in Belfast on Monday. The first bomb went off in a parking lot near the headquarters, and the second blast was designed to injure people aiding victims of the first blast.

The Irish Republican Army is not claiming responsibility for the blast. Gerry Adams, head of the Army's political wing said, "It is very regrettable that people were injured... it showed the need for all-party peace talks."

The IRA has been excluded from recent talks.



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Intramurals get underway with dramatic win by Rubber Duckies

WEEK 1 RESULTS

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RUBBER DUCKIES	12
JONES & CO.	6, 2OT
FLYING CHEETAH WHEELIES	20
TBA	6
MARQUARDT & CO.	20
EWING & CO.	6
DOWNIE & CO.	42
CHAPMAN	6

INTRAMURAL FOOTBALL STANDINGS

TEAM NAME	W - L	PS	PA
1) DOWNIE & CO.	1 - 0	42	6
2) MARQUARDT & CO.	1 - 0	20	6
3) FLYING CHEETAH WHEELIES	1 - 0	20	6
4) RUBBER DUCKIES	1 - 0	12	6
5) JONES & CO.	0 - 1	6	12
6) TBA	0 - 1	6	20
7) EWING & CO.	0 - 1	6	20
8) CHAPMAN	0 - 1	6	42

Player of the Week

Blake Wolf threw a touchdown pass deep in the corner of the end zone to Shane Koglin in the second overtime period last Saturday to lift the Rubber Duckies to a 12-6 victory. Wolf also registered the Duckies' first score on a 30-yard run in the first half.



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...at least that's what we had hoped to do! At no fault of our photographers, our sports film was destroyed in the developing process. Look for real photos next week.

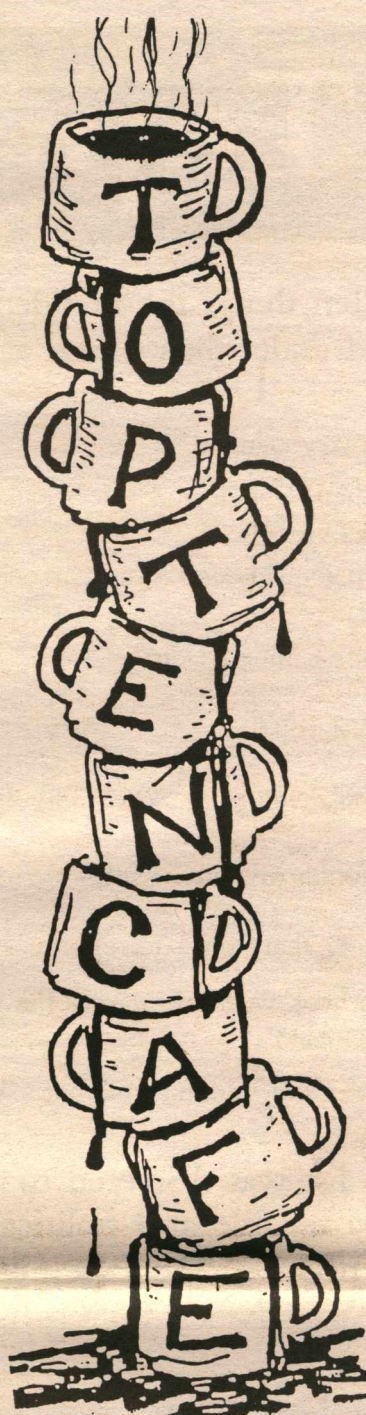
In that terrific Rubber Duckies win, Blake Wolf's first-half 30-yard scamper put the Ducks up a TD; in the second half, Nate Pickens completed a 30-yard toss to Aaron Middleton to tie it up, setting the stage for Wolf's and Koglin's exploits (see box to lower left).

In game 2, after a scoreless first half, QB Rob Russell connected with receiver Ryan Brown and Jeremy Ames returned and interception for a TD as the Flying Cheetah Wheelies won 20-6. Incidentally, the Cheetas get *The Crusader's* vote for most original name.

Game 3 featured a balanced effort by several team members as Marquardt and Co. defeated Ewing and Co. 20-6 in a game dominated by defense.

The only blowout of the weekend had a few of Chapman's unfortunate residents on the short end of a 42-6 loss. Downie and Co. racked up six touchdowns against the newcomers. Dean Sanchai of Downie ran for two TDs in the first half; while Ralph Johnson threw two scoring passes and caught one. Trevor Hall found Dave Oliver in the end zone for Chapman's lone points.

Downie and Co. were successful on half of their two-point conversion attempts, while the other seven teams converted just 2 of 11 tries.



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Sports Brieflies

ALCS, NLCS set to begin

The ALCS and NLCS series' first pitches will be thrown this evening as Baltimore faces New York in the American League, while St. Louis and Atlanta will battle it out for the National's pennant, starting tomorrow.

The series between the Orioles and Yankees marks the first time two division rivals will play each other for a league pennant. NBC will televise the series, which begins in New York at 6 p.m. tonight.

Meanwhile, the Braves are seeking their fifth straight NL crown. The series begins in Atlanta and will be broadcast on Fox.

Some NFL powerhouses fall but Packers win again

While the Green Bay Packers demolished the Chicago Bears by a score of 37-6, other title contenders lost over the weekend. The Kansas City Chiefs lost on Monday night to the Pittsburgh Steelers by a count of 17-7, and the Indianapolis Colts dropped a 16-13 overtime decision to division rival Buffalo.

In Buffalo on Sunday, Bills kicker Christie tied the game at 10 with seconds remaining, then kicked the game-winner after ten minutes of scoreless overtime.

Do You Spend Your Nights Alone?

Have you ever found yourself lonely on Monday evenings, sitting in your dorm room with nothing to do, nowhere to go, and no one to see? You don't have to live such a meek existence anymore. It's time to break out of your pathetic shell and do something... become the Crusader Sports Editor! If you have some journalism experience, desktop publishing knowledge, and even an ounce of creativity, get up right now and call John Fraley at 8656 or 8483! This could be the opportunity you've been dreaming of!

Dave Barry

Don't get hit in the eye with a laser gun, says Dave

TODAY'S TOPIC IS: Living Smart.

What do I mean by "living smart"? Let's look at a simple example: Suppose that two people - call them person A and person B - are late for appointments in New York City and need to cross the street. Person A rushes into the street without looking; he is instantly struck by a taxi going 146 miles per hour (this taxi has engine trouble; otherwise it would be going much faster). But person B -- even though he's in an equally big hurry -- pauses on the sidewalk and looks both ways. While doing this, he is severely beaten by muggers.

So we see that the choices we make affect the quality of our lives, and we must always try to make the smartest choice, which in this case would be the one made by Person C, who decided to skip his appointment and remain in his hotel room watching the movie "Laundromat Lust."

I'll give you another example of "living smart," from my own personal life. On a recent Friday night, my son, Rob, and I were in the Coconut Grove section of Miami, playing laser tag, a game wherein you skulk around in a darkened maze, wearing a special electronic vest attached to a laser gun. The object is to shoot your opponent in his vest or gun, thereby scoring valuable points.

I was standing in the dark, with my back pressed against a wall, a few feet from a corner. I knew Rob was around that corner. Quickly, I ran through my options:

Option One: Run around the corner with my gun held out in front, thereby exposing it to Rob's laser fire.

Option Two: Protect my gun by holding it back and running around the corner with my face out in front.

Looking back on what happened, I realize that I should have gone with Option Three, "Find some activity more appropriate for a 49-year-old, such as backgammon."

Instead I went with Option Two, running around the corner face-first, which turned out to not be such a great idea, because Rob had gone with Option One, running around the corner gun-first.



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That was me attempting to say, "No, I'm OK." In fact, I didn't feel so hot, but in my experience, if you go to a hospital for any reason whatsoever, including to read the gas meter, they give you a tetanus shot.

So my plan was to tough it out. Leaning on Rob, I staggered out of the laser-tag place onto the sidewalk, where I had an excellent idea: Why not get

I staggered out of the laser-tag place onto the sidewalk, where I had an excellent idea: Why not get down on all fours and throw up for a while? So I did.

The result was that my face, specifically my right eye socket, collided violently with Rob's gun. But at least he didn't score any valuable points!

After the collision, I lay on the floor for a while, moaning and writhing, but eventually I was able to get back on my feet, and in just a matter of seconds -- the recuperative powers of the human body are amazing -- I was back down moaning and writhing on the floor again.

"You need to go to the hospital," said Rob.

"Gnhnong," I said. "Gnhime

down on all fours and throw up for a while? So I did. Nobody paid much attention; in Coconut Grove on a Friday night it's unusual to see somebody NOT throwing up.

By this point Rob had gotten somebody to call a cab, and he insisted that we go to a hospital. When we got there I attempted to explain to a nurse what had happened; this was difficult because (a) I wasn't totally coherent, and (b) the nurse had never played laser tag.

"He shot you in the eye with a LASER?" she said.

"Gnhnong," I said.

"Have you had a tetanus shot recently?" she said.

"YES!" I said, demonstrating the brain's amazing recuperative power to lie in an emergency.

They stuck some kind of needle in me anyway (hey, rules are rules). Then various doctors had a look at me, and, after a fair amount of peeking and probing, they determined that I had been hit in the face. They also told me that I'd be OK.

And I'm sure I will, although at the moment part of my face is numb, and my right eyeball could pose for the cover of a Stephen King novel. Also I feel sleepy all the time. This made me a little nervous, so I did what medical experts recommend that you do whenever you have a question concerning your health: I called my friend Gene Weingarten, who is a professional newspaper editor and probably the world's leading hypochondriac.

Gene spent a day reseraching my symptoms and called back to tell me that, in his opinion, I have a condition known as "somnia." "Somnia" means, in layperson's terms, that you feel sleepy. Gene recommended that I get a CT scan, but of course Gene would also recommend a CT scan for earwax, so I went back to bed.

But forget about my personal medical problems. The point I'm trying to make is that, by considering your options and making the right decisions - "living smart" - you CAN lead a happy, healthy and financially successful life. And if you do, please buy a bunch of groceries and have them delivered to me, because I really don't feel like going out.

Dave Barry is a columnist for the Miami Herald. All rights reserved.

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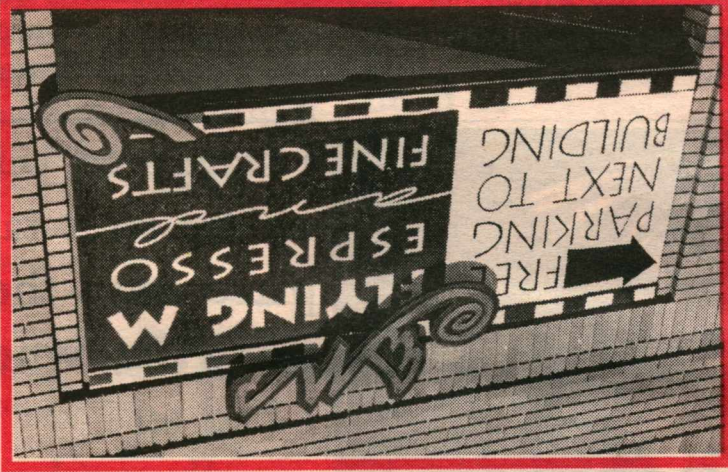
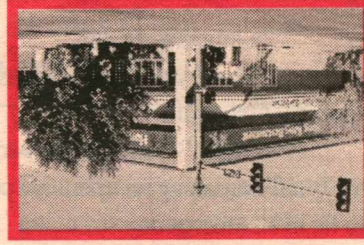
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