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## In Opinions

Former editor-in-chief John Fraley continues his essay on communication with God (or the lack thereof).

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## In Entertainment

Dave Barry is missing, so in his stead Heather Slater steps up to bring us a unique point of view on romantic entanglements. Page 15

## In Sports



Intramural baseball is coming to a close, but volleyball is ready to fill the gap.

## Column One

I hate computers. I just want everyone to know that. (It just occurred to me that I didn't start this with "Welcome race fans." Ah well, too bad. Get over it.)

In the last two weeks computers have come to epitomize natural evil to me. Forget about floods, forget about earthquakes and volcanoes, computers are the evilist of all evils.

H.A.L. (that is what everyone calls my personal computer, since it is insane) decided to crash on me last week, taking away much precious sleep time that had to be used instead for formatting and reinstallation.

The computers in *The Crusader* office are also out to get me (I think they've been talking to H.A.L.). Today the printer quit working, the scanner quit working, the computers all quit working, and then, incredibly enough, the TV and the phones quit working! (Last time I checked, televisions and phones aren't computers, but I'm sure they're talking somehow.)

As long as we're talking about women, I have to admit that I'm getting kind of upset with all you persons of the opposite gender. See, I've got this pile of death invitations (known in women-speak as "weddings") that I'm supposed to go to. Well, actually, I like weddings, free food and all, but why are they all either a) the week-end before finals, or b) the week after finals.

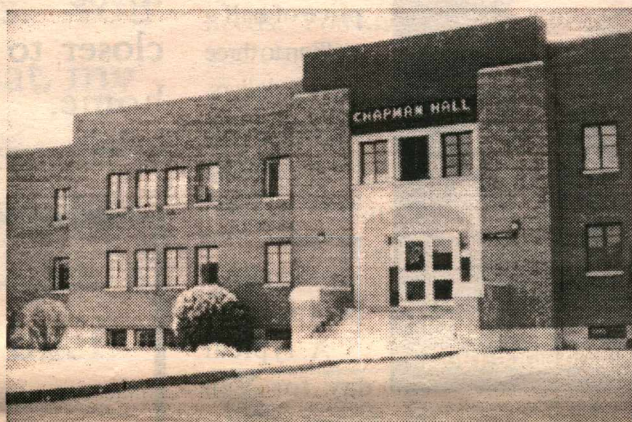
I realize that these are the only two weeks (other than finals week) to have weddings, but I still think they're inconvenient for me. I'll continue next week...

-J. Matthew Isbell  
Editor-in-Chief

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## Saying "goodbye"

Chapman Hall has graced the NNC campus for fifty years, but, as they say, all



good things (and bad) must come to an end.

So we've collected a small number of the many, many stories that can be told of Chapman Hall, and present them in this weeks cover story, starting on page 8.

## RA and PA selections announced

Resident Assistants and Peer Assistants have been chosen for the 1997-98 school year, as have Peer Counselors and Multi-Cultural Peer Counselors.

A complete list of those chosen for these positions can be found on page 3.

## Security suspension causes stir

By J. Matthew Isbell  
Editor-in-Chief

This past Friday morning a group of students comprised of four security officer and one Corlett P.A. gathered outside the offices of Student Development.

At issue was the apparent dismissal of Matthew Lindley, student head of security on the NNC campus.

On Saturday, April 12, Lindley used the security keys to enter a Corlett dorm room in order to play a practical joke.

Afterwards, Lindley was approached by Corlett resident director Brenda Wilkes.

"She asked if I took the key. I said yes. She said that she

would have to tell my employer," says Lindley. Lindley then proceeded to call his employer, Willy Taylor, chief of security, and explained the situation. According to Lindley, Taylor said it was "no big deal."

Wilkes refused to talk with *The Crusader* concerning the situation.

On Monday night, April 28 Taylor approached Lindley and informed him that he would have to be let go.

Much confusion ensued as to whether Lindley was fired, suspended, or something else entirely.

As Lindley informed friends and co-workers, a small cadre formed that felt that Lindley may have been wrongfully termi-

nated, which led to the group of students outside of Student Development, all ready to resign their positions if a satisfactory explanation or compromise couldn't be found between Lindley and Ken Hills, Vice President of Student Development (which is in charge of campus security).

As a result of that meeting it was discovered that Lindley, in fact, was not fired, merely suspended for a term. The confusion arose because Lindley's senior status means that his suspension will end well after graduation.

"As far as I'm concerned, Matt wasn't fired," said Hills. "The issue is credibility, is trust....By virtue of the title, "security" we need to be able to feel secure."

"We have lost our ability to express our own opinions in public, lest we offend someone within earshot." ~Jim Ettweia, Acton, Mass. 1994



## Justify Your Job: Dale Van Hooser

Dale Van Hooser, Director of Administrative Computing

By Shannon Adams  
Campus News Editor

Director of Administrative Computing: the title is more comprehensive than it may sound. Dale Van Hooser has held this position, which includes duties from managing the computer help desk, to assisting as needed with special hardware setups during RAD and registration, since 1986.

Before joining the NNC Administrative team, Van Hooser was a private consultant with his own firm. Van Hooser was born in Nampa, Idaho. Though Van Hooser is a graduate of the University of Idaho and Boise



Dale Van Hooser has been Director of Administrative Computing since 1986.

State University, his wife is a graduate of NNC and both of his children are attending NNC.

Van Hooser heard about this Administrative position at NNC from Professor Lloyd Thorpe. So what made Van Hooser decide to come to NNC, leaving behind the consulting firm he had helped to found? "I've belonged to College Church since 1972, and my friends worked here and ... I was tired of being on the road, being out of town, this type of thing ... I just wanted to be closer to home."

Van Hooser had made many changes during his occupation of this position. One area that he has vastly affected is the budget for his office; in his 11 years here, his budget has decreased by half. This money has been channeled into the academic side.

The current system that NNC uses is in-house written. "I have either written, or currently maintain, all of the software the college uses administratively: everything from financial aid ... to the grades that the registrar puts in ... I write the programs, I fix the programs, I change the programs." Van Hooser even wrote the program that registers our student ID numbers in the computer at Marriott.

Most of our sister colleges buy packages for use in their schools for the price of half a million to three million dollars. Writing our own "packages" has saved the school quite a bit of money.

A typical day for Van Hooser begins at Environmental Services, where he starts their morning coffee and his day grows exponentially less typical from there. Van Hooser can usually be reached in his office throughout the day, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. "I get calls when I want to take a Sunday afternoon nap ... students have systems go down and they need something fixed ... Some of the major systems, in order to work on them they have to be done when people aren't working on them at all, so we come in at 2:00 in the morning." Van Hooser, during "normal" working hours, works from a work request system. "Departments request the work to be done, giving some description of it so I can get some idea and some estimates about how long it will take."

## Young NNC alum honored

By Shannon Adams  
Campus News Editor

This past Monday in Chapel, Deanna Durham received the Leon Doane Young Alumni Award for having shown "outstanding leadership, Christian character, professional endeavors and support of their alma mater."

Durham graduated from NNC in 1982 with a degree in Psychology. She then went on to Howard University in Washington, D.C. to complete a masters in social work. With this degree

Durham works in the Department of Family Studies at the University of Maryland, and is the Director of the housing, health and education programs for the Community of Hope, Inc.

NNC's Alumni Association says that Durham's, "energies, innovation and dedication have resulted in the development of a life changing children's program and learning center at Community of Hope. The educational ministry has improved the quality of life for many families ... Deanna's attitude of hope and perseverance permeates her work and serves as a model for the families she impacts."

"I was tired of being on the road, being out of town, this type of thing ... I just wanted to be closer to home."

## NNC Notepad

### In Senate this week...

New Senate Standing Committees are: Ways and Means: Ryan Ketchum (chair), Jeff Norris and Jodi Peterson; Campus Life: Jolyn Payne (chair), Dave Stillman and Melissa Tennyson; and Judiciary: Mark Boothby, Missy Rasmussen and Shawn Blenker.

R.U.S.H. will take place this Saturday, May 10th. Sign-ups are in the Student Center.

Senior Slick will be this Saturday, May 10th in the evening.

Time Out this

week will be led by Norma Thompson in the Science Lecture Hall.

President Field vetoed the bill giving \$1000.00 to the Psychology Club. The bill was re-submitted after more discussion and passed.

Community Relations was given \$100.00 from the general fund to purchase 30 tickets for the Hope House Kids in order that they might attend a charity basketball game sponsored by the Police Department. The money that purchases the tickets will be put back into the community, helping the Disaster Fund.

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## NNC Notepad

This past Sunday evening the ASNNC executive council toured three dorms (Dooley, Culver and Morrison) seeking student opinions, socializing, and giving away free food.

This coming Sunday, executive council will continue touring the campus, this time stopping at Corlett, Chapman, Mangum and Sutherland. Again, they will be bringing food.

The primary issue of discussion is the usage of the student center building, particularly the game room.

Ideas being discussed include moving the

ASNNC offices or the counseling center into that room. Other ideas are being considered and student ideas are highly requested.

Also at issue is the possible remodelling of fireside or the Student Center Lounge as a student hang-out so that students can get the best use of the Student Center building.

Inquiries can be addressed to Carey Cook or any member of ASNNC executive council.

Comments can, of course, be addressed to "Crusader, Box C" in campus mail.

## 97-98 RAs, PAs and PCs chosen

### RAs and PAs

**CORLETT**  
Kyle buck  
Colleen Jensen  
Michael Mueller  
Carlyann Sandidge

**CULVER**  
Leah Boyle  
Shawna Cloud  
Jeran Dipert  
Lori Fish  
Dacia Kaiser  
Jodi Peterson

**DOOLEY**  
Lisa Guy  
Christa Klosterman  
Jodi Wilks  
Amanda Nixon  
Jeffrey Norris  
Joel Alsworth

**MANGUM**  
Kevin Allen  
Matthew Sanders  
Joel Spencer  
Sanchai Dean

**MORRISON**  
Marisa Mitterholzer  
Kelly Robinson  
Stacie Skeen  
Sarri Tate  
Keri Ingle  
Shannon Grigory

**SUTHERLAND**  
Joshua Pryor  
James Skeen  
Kenny Wade  
Jesse Rench

**NEW DORM**  
Dustin Herring  
Jeremy Klosterman  
Geoff Parker  
Jeremy Ames  
Stephanie Ridlen  
Sara Turner  
Kenzi Wilkes  
Mindy Bales

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Joey Boerner  
Ben Bruening  
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Eric Emmert  
Linda Folkstad  
Lora Greenwell  
Melissa Hardy  
Erin Harri  
Jennifer Johnson  
Erin Lamkin  
Cori Severson  
Shawn Shafer  
Stacie Tuckness  
Michelle Wisecaver

### Multi-Cultural Peers

Andrea Hodgson  
Margaret Takagi  
Farah Tengra  
Patricia Zamarron

# The meaning of *Cinco de Mayo*

### A special to *The Crusader* from the Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs

After Mexico won its independence from Spain in 1821, it faced internal power struggles that left it in a confusing and volatile state of rebellion and instability for years. The southern parts of the new "Mexican Empire" broke off to form the present Central American republics, while the northern half of the territory was lost to the United States. Mexico was invaded by the U.S., Spain, and France.

The second French invasion began in 1861, during the administration of the national hero Benito Juarez. Mexican guerrilla forces, determined to protect their capitol, decided to make their stand defending the strategic town of Puebla. On May 5, 1862, outnumbered over two to one, these untrained forces successfully defended their positions, then attacked and scattered the French troops, achieving a total victory over soldiers deemed among the best trained and equipped

in the world. The following year, however, the French went on to capture Puebla and ruled Mexico until 1867.

Cinco de Mayo, therefore, does not celebrate Mexico's independence nor does it commemorate a successful war. But it is important to Mexico and to Latin America in general for three reasons:

1) People saw that Europe's best troupes could be routed by ragtag indigenous forces. European armies were never again to invade the Americas.

2) The Mexicans were filled with tremendous pride and enthusiasm for their country; the cause of the liberal movement; and the status of Benito Juarez were advanced, leading eventually to the end of European domination and the strengthening of a republic governed by Juarez's progressive legal reforms.

3) In the larger sense, Cinco de Mayo symbolizes the right of people to self determination and national sovereignty, and the ability of non-Europeans to defend those rights against modern military organizations.

When we study Cinco de Mayo, we should relate this history to the whole saga of European colonialism since 1492. We must challenge ourselves and our students to look critically at conventional versions of the Columbus story (and Thanksgiving Day). We must understand that the Americas, as well as Asia and Africa, produced advanced civilizations and highly sophisticated cultures which were relentlessly exploited and often obliterated by European invaders. It is also important to keep in mind that all peoples develop cultures worthy of study and respect, not just those who build cities of stone.

Finally, we must examine the net results of cultural contact and the mingling of peoples. No matter how cruel the history and how devastating the consequences, even today, the human genius for survival and creativity results in stories of resistance, cultural continuity, and the emergence of new cultures and peoples that enrich our world.

These words were written shortly before May 5th, 1862:

Benito Juarez, president of

Mexico, in a proclamation to the Mexican people:

"The government of the republic will fulfill its duty to defend its

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independence, to repel foreign aggression, and accept the struggle to which it has been provoked, counting on the unanimous spirit of the Mexicans and on the fact that sooner or later

the cause of rights and justice will triumph."

General Lorencez, French Commander of the invasion forces, to his government:

"We are so superior to the Mexicans in race, in organization, in discipline, in morality, and in refinement of sensibilities, that as of this moment, at the head of our 6,000 valient soldiers, I am the master of Mexico."

From: El Barrio de la Mision  
By Peter 'Felipe' Pasmanick  
<http://www.kqed.org/fromKQED/calhist/cinco.html>



# Seniors in science & math dept. present research

Senior symposium held for science research presentations

By David Stillman  
Opinions Editor

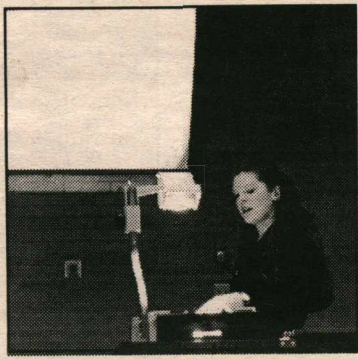
Thirty-three graduating seniors in the science division presented research projects at the Senior Seminar in the Wiley building on Saturday. The seniors put hundreds of hours of research into topics that were chosen, in many cases, before the senior year even began.

The Senior Seminar is a graduation requirement for all graduates of the science division. "It's basically a part of your senior thesis, which requires an oral and written presentation," said Dr. Francis Sharpton, a physics professor. "It can be on any topic relating to the major, as long as it's accepted by a faculty member."

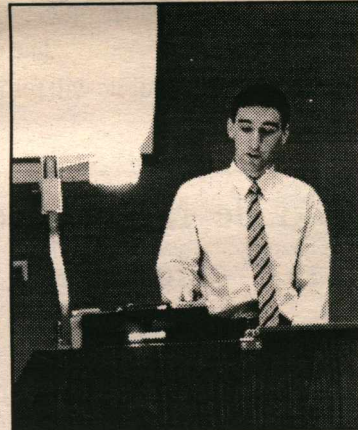
The seminar covered a variety of topics. Robert McDougall, who is majoring in mathematics, statistically analyzed the effectiveness of Relief Pitching in Major League Baseball. By analyzing the season stats of thirteen pitchers from around the league, he came to the conclusion that starting pitchers were still effective in the seventh and eighth in-

nings and didn't need to be replaced by a middle reliever in most cases.

Paul Edmonds compared neuromelanin from the Canadian nightcrawler, Lumbricus, with that from the human brain. Parkinson's disease destroys neurons associated with this



"It's basically part of your senior thesis..."  
~Dr. Francis Sharpton



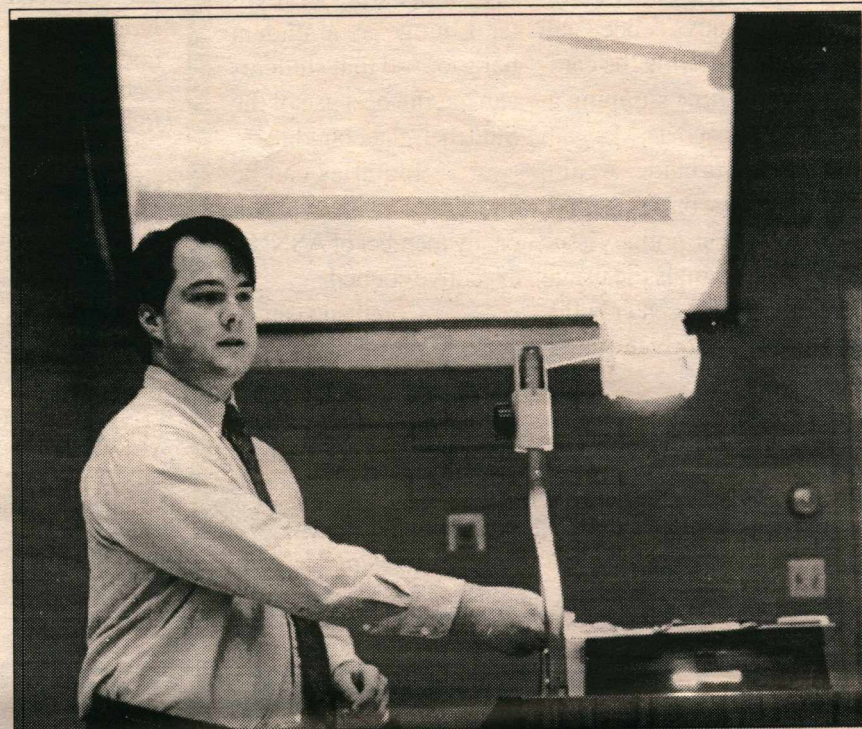
neuromelanin. Edmonds concluded that the melanins were indeed similar, and that the worm's neural net could be used as an animal model in Parkinson's disease research.

Computer science major Joshua Nalley led a group project to develop a multi-user domain (MUD) which would work over the Internet. A MUD is basically a text adventure game in which players interact with each other in real time over the Internet. Nalley began working on the MUD the summer before his junior year, meeting with a group every week for three to six hours. "We're still putting some finishing touches on it, but it should be up and running in three to four months," he said.

Physics major Dave Zink's project was to build a system that would detect solar flares. Zink detected several flares using a system which analyzed the signal strength of VLF (Very

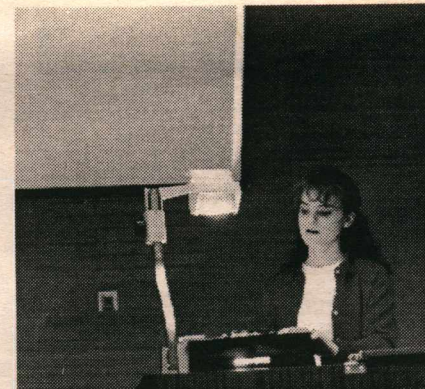
Low Frequency) waves. Since he began working on the project third term of his freshman year, Zink estimated that five to ten flares were detected. "It only detects the two largest classes of

flares," he said. "Each month we send in our findings to the American Assn. of Variable Star Observers, who publish a list of solar flares." This list can be used by others in solar flare research.



Senior Jim Walker was one of thirty-three students presenting at the science and math department's symposium.

The seniors put hundreds of hours of research into topics that were chosen, in many cases, before the senior year even began.



Heather Hanson presents her research (above). Jenny Hubartt & (top left) Alvaro Ontanon (left).

## NNCalendar

|                  |   |  |                                    |                                       |   |
|------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| May 18<br>-<br>6 | 6   | 7  | 8                                  | 9                                     | Weekend 10-11                               |
|                  | 9:00a Mid-term progress reports due. Pre-Registration | 10:15a Chapel<br>8:00p RA/PA/PC/MP Spring Training<br>9:00p Time Out | Student Government Spring Training | 10:15a Chapel                         | Spring R.U.S.H.<br>7:30p Senior Slick - SLH |
|                  |   |  | Regional Activity Days             |                                       |   |
| 12               | 13  | 14   | 15                                 | 16                                    | Weekend 17-18                               |
| 10:15a Chapel    | 10:15a Faculty/Staff Fellowship-WDR                   | 10:15a Chapel<br>8:00p RA/PA/PC/MP Spring Training<br>9:00p Time Out |                                    | 10:15a Chapel - Professor of the Year | Armed Forces Day                            |

## Looking Ahead in May:

- May 16th: Chapel for Professor of the Year
- May 21st-23: District Assembly at College Church
- May 22nd: Pre-Registration closes Combined Choral Concert - SLH



# REVIEWS

## The worst movie ever

Am I allowed to give a movie zero stars? I'm quite sure that I've seen quite a few movies that were a lot worse. Those movies, though, had their amazingly dismal scripts and acting going for them. They were so bad, they were almost fun to watch.

*Warriors of Virtue* has nothing going for it. It isn't that the acting is completely atrocious, or that the effects are terrible, or that the premise is stupid, it is just that it has all been done before, and when it was done before, it was done better ... much better.

For instance, the beginning of the movie is very Disney-Channel-movie-of-the-week. A crippled young boy helps his football team win the big game by calling the winning play, for which, of course, he gets no praise. The team quarterback (ordered straight from ACME's "Movie Jerk in a Box" kit) takes this opportunity to invite Ryan (our hero) into his gang so that he can have someone new to pick on.

In the course of things, Ryan gets yanked into an alternate reality (a la *The Never Ending Story*, among others) where ONLY HE can save the world.

Okay, so far I'm content. Nothing original so far, but nothing dismally stupid either. I figure that all the creativity and imagination went into this fantasy world and I had something *Never Ending Story*-ish coming along. (I really, really liked *The Never Ending Story*, by the way.)

I was wrong. Instead of a rich fantasy world with really creative creatures and locals, I got *The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*. No joke. The Warriors of Virtue are five kangaroos. Each Warrior had a different virtue, such as benevolence, high wisdom, and some other garbage, none of which had anything to do with the movie.

Continuing on, the audience

was introduced to Komodo, the evil warlord who was mining all of the "life springs" for some mineral which Komodo needed to live in order to keep himself eternally young. Unfortunately, both for Komodo and for the people of Tao (the name of the fantasy world), there is only one life spring left.

It's a good thing that Ryan showed up with the Manuscript of Tao. According to legend, the manuscript would do something that would allow Komodo to go to earth, where, of course, he plans on mining all of our life springs so that he can continue to be young (course, if he'd just bothered asking he could have saved himself a lot of trouble, being as we don't

### Warriors of Virtue

Reviewed by  
J. Matthew Isbell

Crusader Rating  
**NO STARS**

have any life springs).

So, a bunch of stuff happens, none of which really matters or is at all amusing to watch, or even make fun of, and then the end of the movie comes along.

After some mildly amusing battle scenes, Master Chung (some wise old guy that died about halfway through the movie) sends a message to Ryan about believing in himself, allowing Ryan to read the manuscript, which, remember, is the secret to everything, and says something amazingly stupid about the "five becoming one" and the taking of a life as draining to a person.

So, with this amazingly powerful knowledge, Ryan steps out and faces the bad guy and promptly gets killed. The Warriors of Virtue take this as their chance, join their five medallions, and suck the bad guy into some netherworld.

Luckily for Ryan, dying in Tao sends him back home where he blows off the Bully-in-a-box, tells his mom that he loves her and lives happily ever, because in Tao he learned to believe in himself.



## Smalltown Poets, but big-time lyrics

Have I got a treat for you music lovers. If you like Jars of Clay or Nouveaux, you will probably like the group that I have to review for you all today. This new five-member group calls itself *Smalltown Poets* and these guys have a great sound and a solid message.

The group is comprised of Michael Johnston, lead vocals and guitars; Danny Stephens, keyboards; Byron Goggin, drums; Miguel DeJesus, bass guitar; and Kevin Breuner, guitars. This album was produced by Dana Key, formerly of Degarmo and Key.

The first thing you should do when you get this album is quickly get it into your stereo. The guitar work on this album is very good with some very nice guitar licks in every song. These guys balance out the use of electric guitars and acoustic guitars quite nicely. The drum work on this album is solid and provides a great base that the guys build nicely off of. The keyboard use is also well done and doesn't dominate the music. All together, the sound is foot stomping good and will grab your attention.

The next thing that you should do after the CD begins to play in your stereo or Discman is grab the cover out of the sleeve and check out the lyrics. The album has some very cool lyrics. Check out these lyrics from the song "who You are": *You hung the hopes of a world - on a shining star - ready to*

*give just a glimpse - a little bit of who You are - when the heavens wink on a midnight clear - takes me back thirty years - and again I hear -*

*CHORUS - glory, glory angels sing - to the now and always King -*

*glory to the One who brings - a little bit of who You are.*

The other lyrics on the album are also really good. The lyrics on the first song "prophet, priest and king" are funny yet make a good point. Also check out the chorus from the song "Trust": *Take this bread, drink this cup - know this*

*price has pardoned you - from all that's hardened you - but it's going to take some trust.* The guys in the band are talented lyric writers and wrote all but one of the songs on this album.

The last thing that you should do, is take the CD and pop it in the CD-Rom drive on your (or a friend's) computer and check out the videos, interviews and pictures that are provided on this ENHANCED CD.

That's right you don't only get a music CD when you buy this album, you also get an ENHANCED CD to play in your computer.

My suggestion would be to give the Smalltown Poets a try. You won't find them at the nearest coffee house, but you will find them down at the Christian Bookstore down the street. Run, walk, bike or drive down there and pick up a copy for yourself.

### Smalltown Poets

Self-titled from  
Forefront Records

Reviewed by  
Jesse Rench

Crusader Rating



## CRUSADER REVIEWS

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- ★ DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME.
- ★★ DEPENDS ON YOUR TASTE.
- ★★★ GOOD STUFF.
- ★★★★ KICKS SOME SERIOUS FISH!!

Crusader reviewers are PAID for their work, so contact Opinions Editor Dave Stillman at 8708 or Editor-in-Chief J. Matthew Isbell at x8514 if you would like to join our fleet. So quit reading and pick up the phone!



## STAFF EDITORIAL

*Thanks for the info, but we really don't care.*

The *Crusader* staff would like to commend the Administration for its attempts to involve students in its revision of the master plan. Not only did they request student input on possible additions to the master plan, but they also put on forums to explain this plan. Ken Finkbeiner deserves some recognition for all the work he did publicizing the forums. The fact that the Administration went to so much effort to ask for student opinions about their policy shows that they really want our input.

We appreciate Ken Hills taking the time to put on three separate half hour forums, all of which were attended by nine different students.

It would have been nice however, if enough students had shown up to make it worth his time. We, as students, often complain that the administration never tells us what's going on and never asks us for input. However, we've shown that when they do try to include us, we really don't care.

This is exactly why the administration usually doesn't include us in decisions in the first place. If we want to be included, we're going to have to take the time to listen when they try to tell us what they're doing and why.

## Staff Infection

*The Tick* wasn't on on Saturday. I was tic....really mad ... Can you be illegally blind? ... Sure. That's when you are trying to sneak your dog into a restaurant. ... and Gates was making smart decisions while his opponents were making stupid ones. ... To learn more about triumph of the nerds, tune in next week ... I'm bitter that Bill Gates is already married ... Shannon Adams is currently pursuing a bachelor at Northwest Nazarene College ... If you say that one more time, I'm going to take you out ... really? A date? For me? ... You would actually trust me to know what I'm talking about? You know me better than that. ... Did you know that the name of the anti-Christ is Krista? ... well then I'm an anti-krista ... I can't have friends who disagree with me ... Why don't you just truncate that to "I can't have friends"? ... I'm sorry. I have no responsibilities whatsoever ... I think we should change the name of the *Crusader* to the *Shannon*. ... no, that's too Irish. ... (Scott Elwood) "I went to see the worst movie ever. Please don't tell anyone?" ... You never lived in Chapman? You've never been Chaptized?

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## Relating to a silent God, part two

John Fraley

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logues don't exactly facilitate growth between two people.

I'm more than willing to entertain viable suggestions and creative answers to that question.

Some people advance the argument that the Bible, as God's Word, contains everything God could ever want to tell us. If we need to hear that divine voice, we need simply to open the Book.

That argument doesn't float my boat, though. I'll allow that the Bible is God's Word, but that doesn't necessarily make it God's words. The difference is not one of semantics; it's one of earth-shattering proportions. Or, to state things more accurately, it's a differ-

What if God never speaks personally to me? And since (S)He hasn't, all while others claim they've heard, what does that mean?

After posing those very questions in last week's *Crusader*, I expected retaliation from the campus' usually outspoken fundamentalists. Surprisingly though, the only reaction I myself got wind of was one of approval. A few of you -- in person, no less -- thanked me for writing last week's column, while others managed to flat-out agree with some of my points. Now if you've been looking for me all week, waiting to deliver to me whatever nasty comment you've come up with, by all means keep searching, but please send all bomb threats to J. Matthew -- he's easier to reach. Besides, I'm still recovering from the shock of having written something a lot of you liked.

All self-deprecating silliness aside, however, what are the implications of a silent God? I think I've narrowed the long list of ramifications to one main item of concern.

Foremost is this disturbing paradox: Christians of all traditions believe and teach that salvation proceeds from proclaiming one has a personal relationship with God (in some cases, the relationship is said to be with Jesus Christ, but assuming, as most do, that he's also God, same dif).

So?

So, how can it possibly be expected of us to develop a relationship with a silent partner? My brief experience strongly suggests that working, healthy relationships depend on communication -- two-way communication, that is. Mono-

ence of belief-shattering proportions. Prepare to be shocked: the words in the Bible are the words of man. The subject is God, to be sure. But even before the multiple translations water down whatever meaning the intended readers would have grasped, the Bible's pages contain stories, parables, letters, genealogies, myths, legends, eyewitness accounts, visions, lessons, and prophecies that men have written because they wanted to share with others, their vision of God.

And that's terrific. Having that kind of tradition to draw on -- while being able to observe the radical transformation in human perception of God -- is an inestimable privilege.

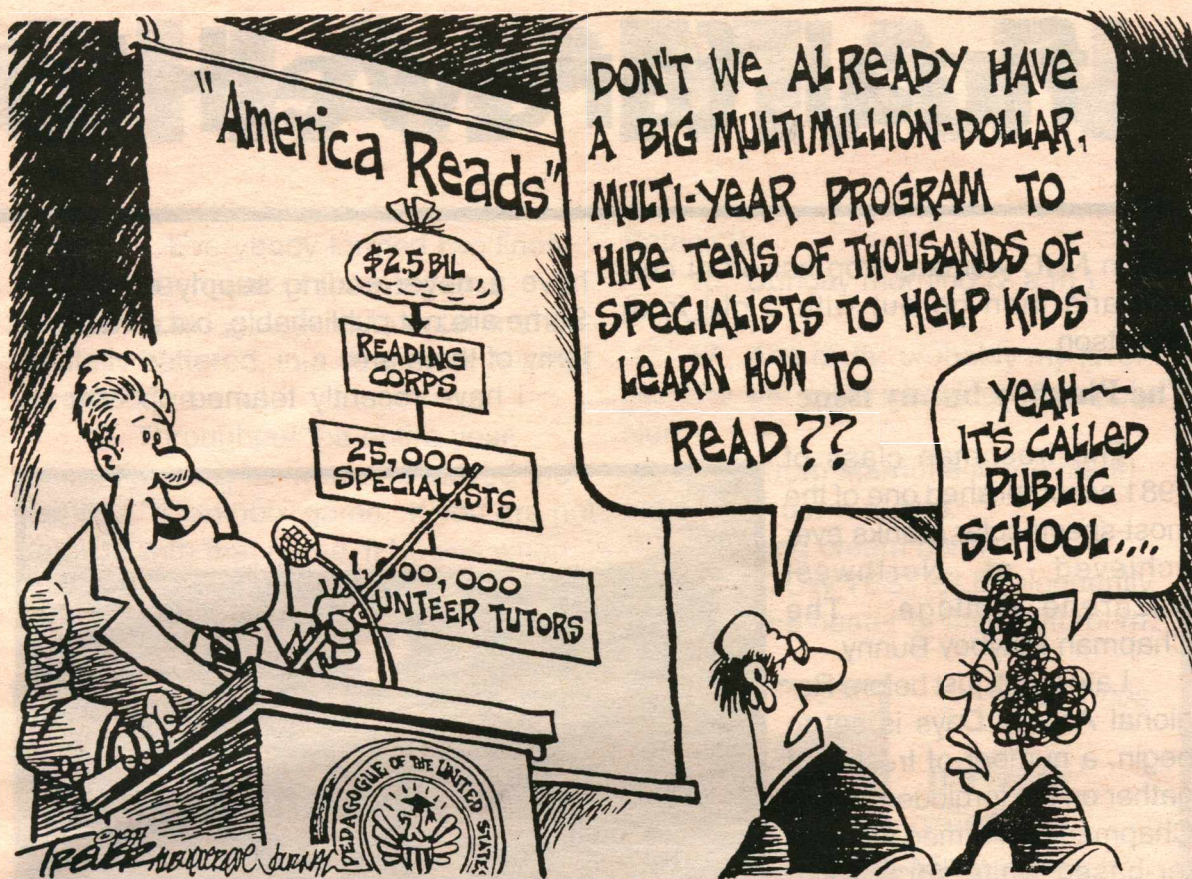
But I am again incapable (for those of you who don't happen to share my insecurities, this is where you are permitted to disagree with my heresy) of having a relationship with a book.

It wouldn't be completely asinine to assume (although we all know what that does) that despite God's voice being short of audible, humans can have a fruitful and satisfying relationship with God. After all, millions testify that they do, in fact enjoy companionship with the divine. Such persons claim their relationship is not with a book, but with a person.

So with what kind of person or being are they trying to have a relationship? I guess that's a question which, sooner or later, every Christian must answer for him or herself.

*John Fraley has been offending The Crusader's readers since January 1994.*





## Republicans need to take charge

**Chris Field**

Has anyone noticed what I've noticed about the current Republican Congress? They're acting like Democrats. "Spineless" is the word I would choose. (If any of you out there reading this are Democrats, I just want to let you know that I don't mean to be derogatory at all by saying that... Wait a minute, yes I do.)

I remember in 1994 being excited about the "new guys" in Congress, and about finally having a Republican majority. They were excited too. There was the Contract with America (which they did fulfill) and many freshman legislators who were pumped about their new positions.

But now, after two years, the excitement has worn off. I wonder what it would take to get them to harness their clout and successfully govern. You wonder that too, huh? Well, it just so happens that I, as usual, have some of the answers. ("Only some?" you ask. Well, even I can't have all the answers all the time.)

The first thing that the Republicans must do is to rally the troops behind a leader. Although many have problems with him, Newt is the Speaker and a natural leader and would continue to lead as he did in 1994, if everyone's support was behind him.

Flashback with me to 1994-95, if you will. With Newt's leadership, they confronted almost a dozen important issues: balancing the budget, taxes, discretionary spending, entitlement reform, defense spending, welfare reform, crime, tort reform, and even term limits.

Next, they need to play on the fact that Clinton will not be running again in 2000—thank God. But do you know who will? The two

major campaigning Democrats in Washington by 1999 will be Al Gore and Dick Gephardt. Because Gore is in the White House and Gephardt is the major Congressional Democrat, these two forces will be pitted against each other.

How can we be sure? You only need to look at the most recent balanced budget that the Republicans have proposed.

**I wonder what it would take to get them to harness their clout and successfully govern.**

Gephardt is fighting against it, so guess who is close to signing it. That's right, Gore's superior, Mr. Clinton. Funny how simple politics can make a budget look horrible one day and so inviting the next, isn't it?

The Republicans not only need to push the Gore vs. Gephardt situation, but they also need to push the balanced budget through. Give the public a reason to be excited about the GOP Congress.

Scandals. What about scandals? There's a virtual treasure trove of "stuff" to harass Clinton with for the next 617 years. Put some energy into discrediting him further. It won't be hard, and it will help the party. And don't believe the media's claims that the American people are tired of hearing

about scandals, because what has the national media pretty much based their entire careers on? Scandals and controversy. The American public thrives on controversy—it's our sadistic nature.

What about some other issues that the Congress has said they will address and programs they have vowed to end? A major example would be the National Endowment for the Arts. End it. You all know of some of the trash they support, and, yes, they do support some quality programming and art. My problem with the NEA is at least two-fold. First, I have a tendency to think that if a work of art or a T.V. program is good enough and worthwhile enough, it will succeed. There are some valid arguments against this point, and I understand them, so let me get to my other reason for not supporting the NEA.

Have you ever noticed that most of the major supporters of the NEA are the same ones who whine about the thought of government censorship? I have. Here's my question to them: if the government shouldn't be able to tell us what is *bad* to see or hear, then why in the world should it be able to tell us (and pay for) what is supposedly *good* for us to see and hear? If you're going to fight government censorship, then don't support government promotion (and vice versa).

Finally, I say to GOPers, "Act like a majority party! Don't weasel around and be scared of the media. They're pretty much clueless anyway. And don't let the Democrats bully you around. You've got the power, use it!"

—Chris Field is ASNNC President and is in denial of his democratic tendencies.

## Your Turn

Random answers from random people on random issues

What do you think of them tearing down Chapman in the near future?



Jeremy Ames  
Sophomore  
Social Science Ed.  
Kirkland, WA

"It's kind of a sad subject for me. They should build a new dorm in the same place, because it's the best spot on campus."



Holly Quick  
Junior  
History/Computer Science  
Soldotna, AK

"It's a travesty. Now what will we smell?"



Nathan Shafer  
Sophomore  
Social Science Ed.  
Spokane, WA

"I don't care, unless they rename it Nathan Shafer hall."



Chase Roberts  
Freshman  
Speech Communication  
Olympia, WA

"I don't know. I think the new dorm should be a seniority thing, with Juniors and Seniors getting the new dorm."



# NNC bids final farewell to...

## Just a few words...

"Out with the old, in with the new." The old saying has a great deal of hope, a presumption that new is better, that old is worse. That the new holds all hope, while the old is worthless and ready to be discarded.

We disagree. The old, in this particular case Chapman Hall, may not be the best and the brightest, but it is very much worth quite a bit, perhaps not as a building, but as a way of life through which the great majority of NNC men have been introduced to the college experience.

So, with this final collection of stories and memories, we wish our old friend Chapman, both the building and the culture, a respectful goodbye.

## In the beginning...

Chapman Hall was built in 1947 (named after General Superintendent James B. Chapman). According to the book *From Sagebrush to Ivy*, construction was complicated by the lack of materials caused by the war effort.

"There are many stories of the strain of trying to find lumber, bricks, nails, paint, doors, locks and keys, and more, during the war years when everything seemed to be in short supply or already allocated someplace else under endless government regulations."

## The early years

In 1950, Northwest Nazarene College was a little bit different than it is today.

For instance, the campus had both an elementary school and a high school. Many of the men in the high school lived in the basement of Chapman

Dr. Ken Hills of the Office of Student Development, tells us that, during the week that the college students had finals, the high school kids used to come through and turn off all of the lights.

Hills, coming from a farm where four boys shared one small bedroom, says that "[Chapman] was kinda nice. It was like going to a motel. I was really excited about it."

Dorm life was a little bit different then, than now. For instance, there were no resident assistants. "We had a dorm 'pop and mom'."

"Men didn't have curfews. Women did. The theory was that if the girls were in on time, then the men were sure to be in on time." Hills says that a common joke was that an NNC man could take

out an NNC woman, drop her off at curfew, and then go out with a girl from Albertson.

## The Playboy bunny issue

The freshman class of 1981 accomplished one of the most spectacular pranks ever achieved at Northwest Nazarene College. The Chapman Playboy Bunny.

Late night, just before Regional Activity Days is set to begin, a number of freshman gather on the forbidden roof of Chapman Hall armed with water-based white spray paint and a cardboard template of the Playboy Bunny.

They hang the template over the side of the building and spray paint the bunny on the bricks just above the doors to Chapman hall.

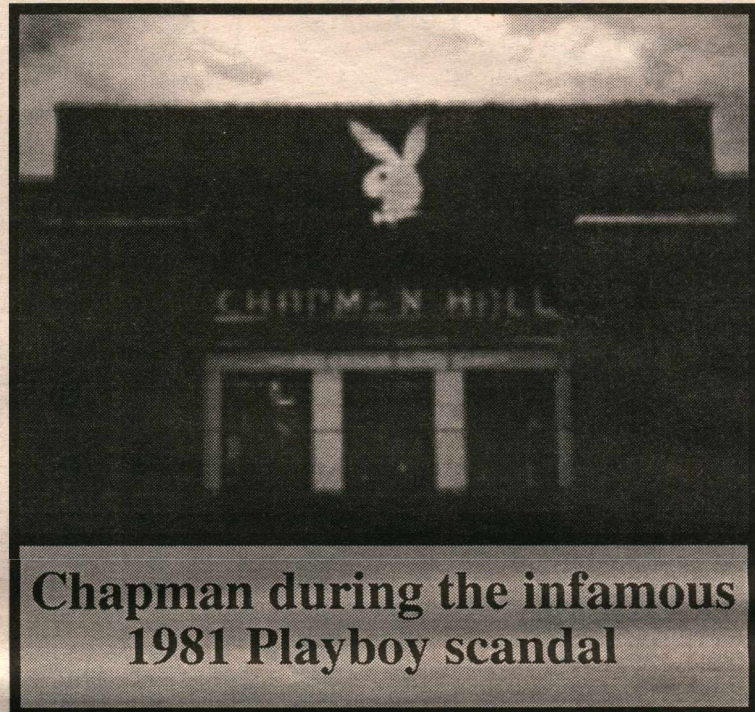
Remember, it is the night before R.A.D.

The following morning, administrators and faculty arrive at the campus, anxious about the potential students that will be visiting our campus for Regional Activity Days.

The bunny is quickly noticed. Environmental Services is called out to clean it off before any R.A.D. participants arrive. Fortunately for us (and this is where the story gets really good), Environmental Ser-

vice have a never-ending supply of stories. Some are not publishable, but a vast majority of them are.

I have recently teamed up with my



Chapman during the infamous 1981 Playboy scandal

former Generic South Roommates and we came up with a list of stories we would like to submit, I can elaborate any details to you.

*[Editor's note: After carefully reviewing the list, laughing uncontrollably, coming to my senses, and once again reviewing the list, I've decided to merely run the list, without any elaboration. I'm pretty sure that the list itself sums up nicely the atmosphere of Chapman Hall.]*

## Chapman Hall Stories

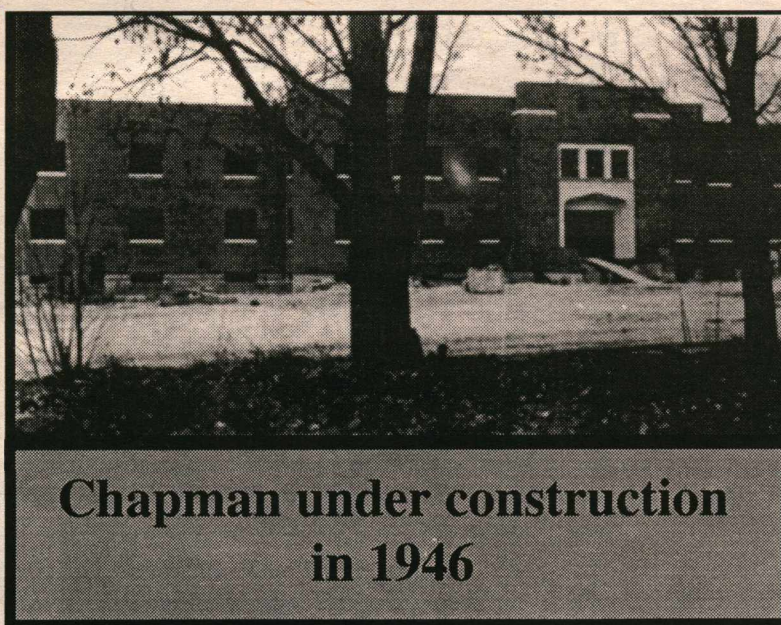
Presented by Class of 1995  
Generic Southerners

1. Repelling from the third floor window.
2. Wing water fight in the hall.
3. One night, Sean Nixon was on desk and 15 or 20 of us from Generic South were fed up with Sean's frequent visits to request peace and quiet. So, we all gathered in the study room directly above

the desk Sean was at and, on the count of three, jumped...and scattered. The sound resembled the walls of Jericho tumbling down

4. The Generic South Soccer League was formed (GSSL). Members of the league would play a full game of soccer in the hall (frequently setting off the fire exit alarm).

5. The GAUNTLET!! One night someone got a bright idea to form the



Chapman under construction in 1946

vices, in their hurry, presumed the paint to be oil based, and sand blasts it off the brick.

Even today, if you look closely, you can see the Playboy Bunny of Chapman Hall.

## More exciting than we know...

Dear Editor,

As an alumnus of Chapman hall, I



# CHAPMAN HALL

gauntlet. Everybody formed two lines against each wall of the wing and clapped, daring anyone to enter and be brutally battered, in a desperate attempt to reach the end!

6. Throughout the entire year, being the men we were, we played the famous "doorknob" game. If you are not familiar with that game, it begins when someone passes gas. You have to yell "Safety!" to avoid getting door-knobbed.

Satanists.

16. Sunday morning (2 a.m.) chapels.

17. And lastly, probably my favorite: The war with rival wing, Monopoly North;

-Fish from Marriotte in the heaters of their dorm rooms.

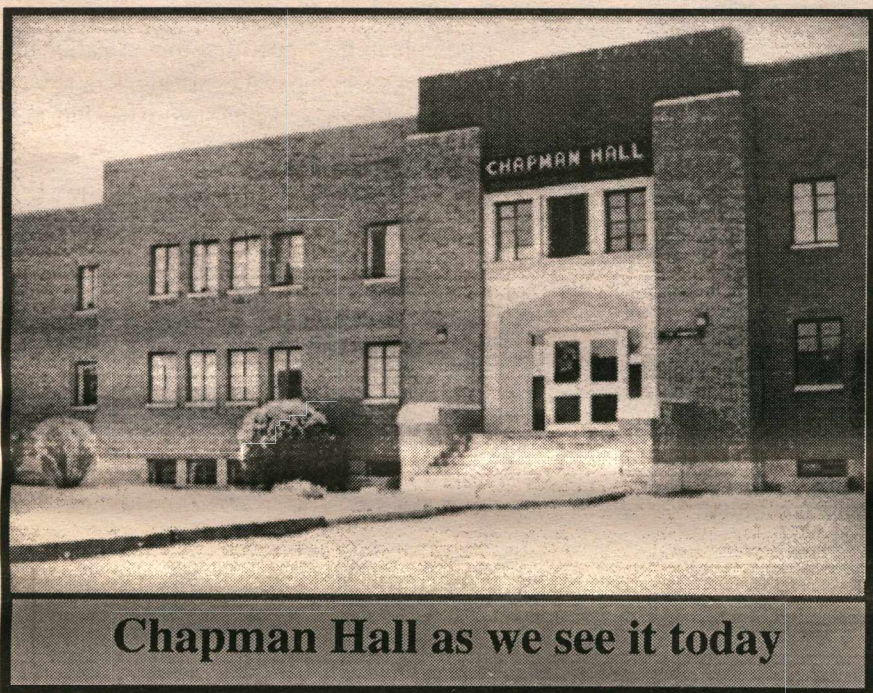
-Shaving cream bombs.

-The COW TESTICLE, eloquently placed in the heater of their bathroom.

~Brian Tibbs

**It's really called Moorrison, right?**

This story revolves around the often fascinating interaction between Chapman residents and their Morrison counterparts. The guys, being NNC freshmen, had been made well



Chapman Hall as we see it today

If you fail to say "safety," anyone who hears you pass gas, can counter with "Doorknob" and proceed to pound on you until you find and touch a doorknob.

We were once in a very serious meeting with the RD, Kent Berggren, for some vandalism we had done to the hall. Halfway through the usual punishment speech, someone passed gas. Consequently, somebody else yelled "DOORKNOB!" A couple of seconds of silence lapsed, for what would happen seemed obvious to everyone there. All of a sudden three or four people lunged for the gas passer, and he also arose looking for a doorknob to touch. Needless to say, the meeting lacked the usual power from that point on.

7. Noise ordinance. Pay five dollars or run five laps around the track. Nobody said we couldn't do it naked!!

8. I have three or four good explosive stories, one of which made it into the Nampa city crime report.

9. Attempt to assassinate the R.A.!!

10. WD-40, hairspray, general aerosols, torches (fire alarms).

11. Sunbathing on the forbidden roof.

12. Playing with the fire extinguisher.

13. Lack of sanitary regard on the part of one individual.

14. The famous blue fame.

15. Bob the janitor, frequently gave Bible verses to our RA, thinking we were

aware that tradition dictates that one identify first-year females with large udder-bearing, milk-producing farm animals.

So what better way to illustrate that relationship than by placing material that farm animal would feel comfortable with in a prime, obvious location where all passersby could appreciate it?

So frosh guys gathered hay, various cow parts, a whole bunch of other props (equipment "borrowed" from neighboring dairy farms), and, to top it off, placed a tasteful cow crossing sign directly in front of the dorm.

Needless to say, the next morning, the girls had a cow.

Sure, the story doesn't really involve the building we call "Chapman" in a very direct way, but in another way, it kinda does: it can be fairly said that Chapman brought out that kind of behavior. Hopefully, when the Morrison Observatory (the real name of the new dorm, in case you're confused) is completed, the new proximity of guys and girls will bring out similar displays of affection. Just because Chapman won't be housing the freshmen guys next fall doesn't mean they can't act like Chapman guys.

## One last thought

By Nathan Hydes  
Cover Story Editor

Knowing that I am one of the last young men to live in Chapman Hall brings a strange feeling of warmth to me.

I remember last year when I came to preview NNC. The absolute low point of the tour had to have been when I saw Chapman Hall. Here was this big ugly building that was older than the earth itself. My twin brother, who happened to be on the tour with me, called it the battleship. He now attends Linfield College in Oregon. I think Chapman was the deciding factor in turning him away from NNC. Needless to say, four months later, here I was unpacking my bags into one of the small rooms of the battleship.

Time has a funny way of changing perspective. When I hear an NNC graduate getting wrapped up in one of his old stories of Chapman Hall, you can tell by his enthusiasm that he would give anything to be back in his old room along with his old wing buddies. But he won't. As a freshman, I know that I've had a lot of great times in Chapman Hall. I've met some of my best friends there. I also realize that in a month, things will never be the same. Some of us will transfer, some will drop out, and some will simply be in a different dorm. I'm going to miss Chapman and all the great guys I've met there. I know that there won't be another Dungeon West, Generic South, or HeavenWest. The only thing we'll have left to remind us of the old place will be some scattered memories and an old faded wing t-shirt with a few familiar names misspelled on the back.

I, along with many other freshman guys, have become attached to Chapman. It has become our home. We know it smells bad. We know that every room only has one electrical outlet. We know it's on the verge of being condemned. But we also know that it belongs to us. It may be ours for only one year, but it's still ours; ours 'til the end.

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# Rebels prepare to take Zaire's capitol

By Joshua M. Dooley  
Asst. World News Editor

KINSHASA, ZAIRE -- The Zairian rebels seemed to be ready Monday for a final attack on the capital of President Mobutu Sese Seko. This was the result after the dictator and rebel leaders failed to reach any agreements during the weekend peace talks.

Only after seven months of civil war, the leader of the rebels, Laurent Kabila, currently controls three-fourths of Zaire and commands 70,000 troops. Monday, Mobutu was demanded, by Kabila, to hand over his power to Kabila.

Kabila promised to remove Mobutu from the capital in a humiliating defeat if the demand was not met.

During the talks on Sunday, Mobutu insisted that power would only be handed over through an elected government.

From the talks, Kabila claimed that his rebel movement, the Alliance of Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Congo-Zaire, was ready to enter Kinshasa within two or three days.

The South African President, Nelson Mandela, took part in the effort to get somewhere with the peace talks as well. He hopes to get a new meeting going within in eight to ten days to hopefully "narrow the gap between the two parties." Though a date and

time has not been set, South African officials stated mediators would work in the next few days on a way for Mobutu to give power over to a transitional authority.

"If Mobutu hands over power before we enter Kinshasa, I will guarantee his safety and that of his biological family. But if he does not, we will have to chase him away in humiliation," Kabila told a news conference.

As of Monday Kabila's rebel forces were said to be about 40 miles from Kinshasa's airport and were only days away from entering the capital.

As of Tuesday, during his vow to defend the Zairian capital against a rebel advance, Mobutu packed his bags to leave Zaire for what an aide claimed would be a three-day visit to neighboring Gabon. It is not yet clear as to if Mobutu will be able to make the return. Confirmations were made that rebel troops are within 40 miles of Kinshasa. Scouts were already there gathering intelligence. Kabila is planning to take out Kinshasa's airport and guessed his forces will be at the outskirts of the city within days.

Today Mobutu plans to depart the country on his private jet, and plans to meet with leaders of Cameroon, Central African Republic, Gabon, Togo and Congo, who all strongly support the Zairian leader.

Zaire's information minister, Kin-Kiey Mulumba, denies all reports that claim that Mobutu is going into exile and claims he will return to Kinshasa. "This meeting was planned before the summit. Mobutu

has a schedule to keep."

Kinshasa supposedly launched a counter attack and was driving back the rebels forces as of Tuesday, although there is no confirmation of the report.

South African officials state that Kabila had assured them that he will stop his troops from advancing for eight days in order to give the two rivals enough time to meet again for scheduled peace talks. On the ground, signs are little that Kabila is sticking to his word. The rebel commanders are plotting a two pronged advance from the two cities captured by rebels over the weekend.

"Our main task is to protect the population against the extremists, against looting and against violence," rebel spokesman Ghenda said. "We will target only military installations in the city."

Pamphlets have been distributed stating that rebels are in the city and appealing for civilians to wear armbands or headbands "to salute the liberation of Kinshasa."

As the west prepares for the "endgame", British troops trained on the Congolese side of the river for a rescue mission of the citizens, should they be endangered by fighting in the Zairian capital.

The U.S. State Department said that special envoy Bill Richardson will fly to Paris today to talk with France about the "endgame" in Zaire. "We want to make sure we're coordinating with the French during the endgame in Zaire."

## Charlton Heston takes NRA position

72-year-old actor expected to bring peace to declining National Rifle Association

By Andrew J. Diehl  
World News Editor

SEATTLE, WA -- The newly elected member of the Board of Directors of the National Rifle Association (NRA), Charlton Heston, is now a candidate to remove the leading critic of Executive Vice-President Wayne LaPierre, Jr.

The 72-year-old actor's spokesman, Tony Makris, stated that Heston has discussed a bid for the vice-presidency currently held by Neal Knox.

In the midst of declining membership and fewer revenues, Knox has been highly critical of LaPierre's leadership since he was hired in 1991. NRA membership has declined from 3.5 million in 1995 to 2.8 million this year. The group has proven to be one of the strongest political lobbying groups in Washington.

Heston was elected to the board on Sunday night after winning 74 percent of the 1,410 ballots cast, beating out 157 other contenders for a single position on the 76-member board. The other members of the board were chosen by a mail-in ballot that NRA members completed.

Knox, formerly a chief political lobbyist for the group and his cohorts, have accused LaPierre of mismanagement, over-spending and violation of board policies since taking the office. LaPierre denies all charges. Knox stated that he learned Sunday night of the possible challenge by Heston.

Heston has chosen Kayne Robinson, a deputy police chief from Des Moines, Iowa, as his running mate. Robinson would be in a position to unseat 2<sup>nd</sup> vice-president Albert Ross.

LaPierre commented that it would not surprise him if there were any challenges to Knox, but he declined any comment on where he thought that challenge would come from.

*Editor's Note:* As of the writing of this article several changes have occurred that should be mentioned here.

Monday's election has given the vice presidency to Heston. No official statements have been made by any parties but there is a general feeling though out the organization that the change will lead to more cooperation and an end too much of the bickering that has plagued the NRA in recent years. Kayne Robinson has taken the 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president position.

## Labour Party sweeps House of Commons

Scotsmen appointed by Prime Minister to four key positions in U.K. government

By Jim Anderson  
Staff Writer

LONDON, ENGLAND -- The possibilities are high that Scotland and Wales will soon receive their own legislatures after the dramatic election of last Thursday. Britain's Labour party has taken control of Parliament. The Conservative party that formerly held it is afraid that separate legislatures could spell the end of the United Kingdom.

The Conservatives, the loud-est, and nearly the only opposition to the new national assemblies, were wiped completely out of Scotland and Wales. Labour, on the other hand, controls most districts within the two, along with an impossible stronghold in the House of Commons, and plans to institute referendums for the assemblies as soon as autumn.

The only non-Labour legislators to take office are either liberal Democrats that follow the Labour line, or independence-seeking nationalists.

Four major positions within new Prime Minister Tony Blair's cabinet are

held by Scots: treasury chief, foreign secretary, Scottish secretary and top judicial officer.

It is argued by many of the losers, including one Michael Forsyth (who incidentally lost to a Scot), that a Scottish Parliament will be the first step toward the ruin and dissolution of the United Kingdom. Voters have been unimpressed by this extreme view. Most Scots and Welsh voted Labour while the English electorate, that comprises eighty percent of the vote, cares little about the subject

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There are still serious questions that are being raised by the issue. One is whether the 129-member Parliament in Edinburgh will have tax-raising powers. This is not a priority for the

Welsh, who are more integrated with England than the Scots. The Scots have kept separate educational and legal systems after 300 years of political union with England. This situation would cause the oddity of Scottish legislators voting on English educational systems in the House of Commons, while the English legislator would not have the same privilege with the Scottish.



# FDR Memorial dedicated amid conflict

By Debbie Miller  
Staff Writer

On May 2, the memorial to President Franklin Delano Roosevelt was dedicated by President Clinton, but not without controversy.

The dedication might have been horribly disrupted by protestors from disabled groups had President Clinton not agreed to ask Congress to add a statue to the monument which portrays President Roosevelt in a wheel chair. For a long time it was debated whether this great President of the United States should be portrayed standing or seated in a wheel chair.

As a young man, FDR was stricken with polio and paralyzed from the waist down. Organizations representing the disabled insist he ought to be depicted in a wheelchair, while many other people feel that the seated statue of President Roosevelt fails to portray his radiant, jaunty self-

confidence that was as much a part of his curative message to the nation as his policies and programs were.

In addition to at least one statue of FDR, the 7.5 acre memorial includes several other statues and spans the area between Washington's Cherry Tree walk, and a road that runs parallel to the Potomac River.

Life-sized bronze statues done by George Segal represent the hope and the despair of the Great Depression. The statues depict a number of men standing in a breadline, and a solitary man listening to a

radio--to one of FDR's Fireside Chats. This set of statues commemorates the hope and encouragement FDR brought to that time through his New Deal policies, which brought this country up out of the Depression.

There is also a statue of Eleanor Roosevelt, whom President Clinton called FDR's "magnificent" partner. Interestingly enough, Eleanor Roosevelt has been depicted without the boa fur she often wore around her neck.

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Franklin D. Roosevelt during one of his weekly Fireside Chat radio broadcasts. Sent around the country, the chats were used to bolster the spirits of the people during the Great Depression.

## ...very briefly...

BOULDER, CO -- Police cordoned off a popular student section of town to avoid a third night of confrontation between students and the police. Eleven were arrested Friday night as 1,500 students gathered after firefighters arrived to quell a large bonfire that was apparently set by students to commemorate the end of classes.

"There is a college experience that includes partying and (they feel) they are entitled to that experience," said Police Chief Tom Koby.

As single seniors are trying in the final weeks to fill the engagement requirement for graduation from this fine institution, those who already have the girl or guy, but need to tie the big knot need look no further. Amid the hustle and bustle of planning the wedding, the Internet comes through again, like it has for so many last-minute papers.

For everything from having your wedding on-line, in real time, with guests around the world, to last minute tips or ethnic customs for the multi-cultural wedding, there are over 7,000 different sites that can be accessed through "Wedding Central." Sites such as "Tie the Knot," give all sorts of helpful hints or show off the clergy assisted "suicides" of others. There are also other sites that give helpful hints for coloring, hair, shoes and who to have cater the special event.

And you thought there was something that wasn't on the Web.

DURHAM, NC -- Animal control officers spent two days searching through the woods and country side for a missing emu that they recovered on Wednesday. The emu, a flightless bird that resembles a small ostrich, was recovered seemingly unharmed after its ordeal. Authorities are unsure of the bird's owner. Law enforcement officers chased the bird into the woods after being sighted on Tuesday. Motorists on U.S. 70 again spotted the bird during Wednesday's evening commute. The bird was captured when it hesitated crossing a creek.

## People news

## Peoplenews

## Emu news

## What do I care?

there was an article about Chris Toal, a man who is unsure of his future. He is a middle manager for a mid-size company. At 54, he is worried about the pace at which technology is passing him.

Until a year ago, he had never used a mouse and thought that Microsoft Office was the room that Bill Gates spent a lot of time in. He reflects on where his father, now 82, was when he was 54. His father was a machinist and leader in the union. A highly respected member of his community, he had already prepared for his retirement and had joined the local United Way. Mr. Toal, on the other hand, has no pension, a few insignificant stock options, and a daughter in college and another all the way.

You probably ask why I am going off about all of this. Look at where we are at today. Many of us are part of the first generation of our families that will have all or part of a college degree. The computer skills of most of our parents could be covered in the fifteen or twenty minutes that most of us spend checking our e-mail.

Where will we be when we are 54-years-old? I know that seems to be so far off in the future, but look at how fast this term and year have gone by. Friends of ours are getting married now, next we'll have our careers. Before you know it we will be looking at an Apple IIe and remembering how we learned to type and our kids will look up from their voice activated, holographic gizmo and say, "You only got to play "Choplifter" when you were a kid!"

The point is that we have an amazing ability to learn all about today's technology here. But what will keep us sharp in the future? Will we be the ones caught looking in the past and wishing we had played more video games in our dorm rooms. While we studied, the guys down the hall learned how to understand the machines of today and the paths of the future. Sure, the whole point then was to figure out a way to find the cheat codes, what will they be looking for in the future.

There is no best way to keep familiar with all that goes on about us. We need to make it a habit, though to understand as much of our world as possible, to be prepared for tomorrow.

In Monday's *Wall Street Journal*,

-- analysis by Andrew Diehl

## Around the world in eighty words

Compiled by Clark Kent  
Staff Writer

### More HG members found

Encitas, CA—Two more members of the Heaven's Gate cult tried to kill themselves Tuesday, in a hotel near San Diego. One was successful, the other wasn't. A letter and tape submitted to CNN showed that the two men were on their way to join the group that died in a mass suicide. The dead man has been identified as Wayne Cooke of Las Vegas. His companion, Chuck Humphrey of Denver, was in critical condition in a San Diego Hospital as of Tuesday afternoon. Phenobarbitals and alcohol were ingested to assist suffocation from plastic bags.

### Man & machine Stalemate

NEW YORK, NY-- IBM's Deep Blue computer and world chess champion Garry Kasparov played to a draw in Game 3 of their series. Kasparov offered the draw in his 48<sup>th</sup> move, which the machine immediately accepted to bring the 4 1/2 hour match to a close. The two are tied in their series after Kasparov won in Saturday's opening match and the computer coming back to win in the second game Sunday. The machine is capable of examining 200 moves per second.

### Agreement secures jobs

WASHINGTON D.C. -- Nynex Corp and Bell Atlantic have made a written agreement that there will not be a layoff resulting from their proposed merger. A *Wall Street Journal* report had stated that up to 10,000 jobs could be in jeopardy. The agreement states that there will not be any layoffs possible until August 1998. Union leaders plan to rework contract negotiations sometime this summer in anticipation of the deadline.



# Baseball team drops four games

by Melissa Tennyson  
Staff Writer

Days are getting longer, finals are starting to loom, summer is getting closer and baseball is finally



PHOTO BY ERIN COORDES

The 'Saders' playoffs will be held May 8, 9 and 10.

coming to an end. This past week found NNC's baseball team playing its final four games of the regular season.

Tuesday, April 29, they traveled to Albertson College, to whom they lost, 0-5. On Friday, May 2, they played Eastern Oregon State at home, losing by a close margin of 7-8. Jason La Mont led the 'Saders with three runs while junior Dan Getz, sophomore Casey Fivecoat, sophomore Andy Heyer and freshman Barry Warren each had one run.

On Saturday, May 3, NNC played Eastern Oregon again for a double-header. NNC lost the first game, 3-9. Two runs were scored by Fivecoat and one by junior Chris Hunt. NNC lost the second game, 3-12. The runs were made by senior Matt Benaar, Fivecoat and La Mont.

The baseball team's current record is 6-24, with no ties. In personal stats, La Mont leads the team with an overall batting average of .358. Junior Rich Wagner follows with .344, and freshman Zack



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The Crusader pitching team is led this year by sophomore Jon Crozier, junior Christoph Falke, freshman Zack Deboi and Corey Davidson.

Deboi has an average of .306. As a pitcher, Ryan Turner has the lowest ERA for the team, with an average of 3.60. Mike File has the most accumulative catches, with 276. La Mont, Deboi and Hunt follow, with 151, 111 and 110 catches, respectively.

The Crusaders' next games are the Cascade Collegiate Conference playoffs, to be held May 8, 9 and 10.

# This week in Intramural Sports

*IM Softball winds down with playoffs this week; Co-Ed Volleyball to begin soon.*

by Robin Day  
Sports Editor

This week in the women's IM league, much has been happening. Playoffs for the championship began last week, and all teams put forth a good effort. Unfortunately, no scores from these games were available, but the outcomes are listed below.

In the first round, George Bush played Like Butter, defeating them. Lost and Found fell to the Gilbey Girls. The Gilbey Girls advanced to the second round against the Volleyball Team, whom they defeated. George Bush also moved up to the second round, only to lose to Team 2. Gilbey Girls and Team 2 will be playing Saturday, May 10, for the championship game.

In the men's league, Chachi defeated the Stoners and Team Wakeman triumphed over Blitzkrieg. Chachi turned around to play again, only to be beaten by Team Buck, as the Manson Family lost to the Stoners. Playoffs for the men's league begin on May 12, with the championship game to be played on May 24.

Coming events in Intramural include Volleyball League, which begins May 10, a tennis tournament on May 9-11 and a King and Queen of the Court tournament on May 17. Check the IM board downstairs in the Student Building for more information about the upcoming action.

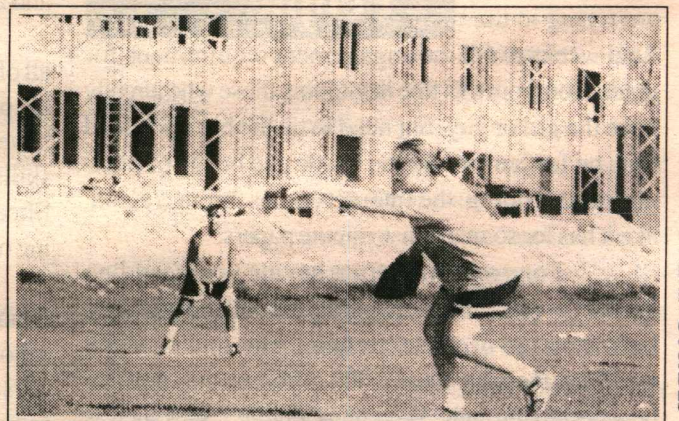


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This week saw the end of the women's intramural softball season, with the Volleyball team in the lead.

## The standings

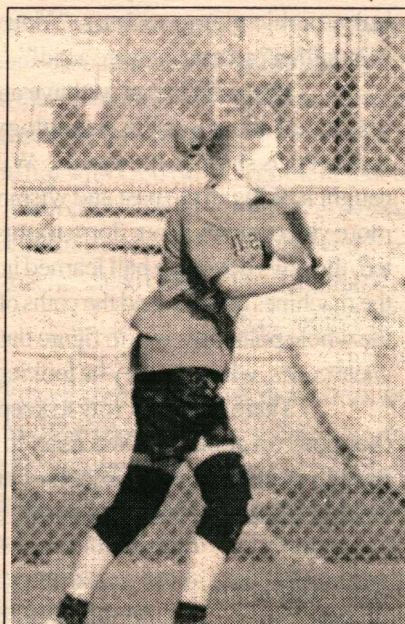
### Men's league

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Blitzkrieg    | 4-3 |
| Dongers       | 4-1 |
| Team 1        | 4-1 |
| Chachi        | 2-2 |
| Team 5        | 1-2 |
| The Stoners   | 1-4 |
| Manson Family | 0-4 |

### Women's league

#### Standings after Regular Season

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| V-Ball         | 1 |
| Team 2         | 2 |
| George Bush    | 3 |
| Gilbey Girls   | 4 |
| Lost and Found | 5 |
| Like Butter    | 6 |



## IM Volleyball Schedule

| (court) | 9:45 | 10:30 | 11:15 |      |
|---------|------|-------|-------|------|
| 5/10 #1 | 1-3  | 5-7   | 9-11  |      |
| #2      | 2-4  | 6-8   | 10-12 |      |
|         | 5:00 | 5:45  | 6:30  | 7:15 |
| 5/12    | 1-3  | 5-7   | 9-11  |      |
| 5/13    | 2-4  | 6-8   | 10-12 |      |
| 5/14    | 3-7  | 1-5   |       |      |
| 5/15    | 4-8  | 2-6   | 5-9   | 7-11 |
| 5/19    | 10-4 | 6-12  | 2-8   |      |
| 5/20    | 9-3  | 5-11  | 1-7   |      |

*Saturday schedule subject to change on short notice*



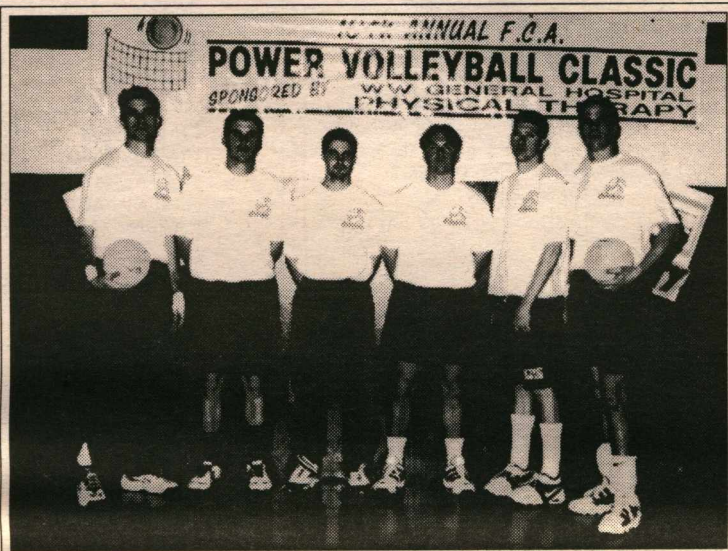
# Men's Volleyball Club

*Crusader Volleyball Club competes in league tournament*

by Hattie James  
Staff Writer

In chapel last week, Karl Ganske announced that the new men's volleyball team, an intercollegiate club team, would be participating in the league tournament held this past weekend. Well, they are back, with a fourth place standing, after playing fourteen games.

Only six members of the sometimes 30-member men's volleyball club traveled to Walla Walla, Washington: junior Chris Hunt, freshman hitter Ben Schafer, freshman Kevin Chittenden, NNC Alumnus Ben Kneadler, senior Dallas McKellips, and senior Karl Ganske. Hunt was the team's setter, McKellips and Ganske played as outside hitters, Shafer played off-hand hitter and Kneadler and Chittenden were middle blockers. The team set out from NNC with the good advice of Women's Volleyball Coach Darlene Brasch and with the sponsorship of Yogurt Affaire and the Nampa Christian Bookstore.



The Men's Volleyball Club members who traveled to Walla Walla, Washington: (l-r) Dallas McKellips, Chris Hunt, Karl Ganske, Ben Schafer, Keven Chittenden, and Ben Kneadler.

The team's first match of two games was played on Saturday, against Multnomah School of the Bible. They lost the match 0-2. Next, they played Eastern Oregon University, on the same day, and split that match. Sunday, they played Boise State University, losing 0-2, then Walla Walla USA, whom they beat 2-0, and then Walla Walla College, to whom they lost 0-2. Later that day, they played Multnomah once again, this time for third or fourth place standing in the tournament. It was a best three-of-five match. The 'Saders, unfortunately, won only one game and lost the rest.

Two team members were voted to a twelve member All Tournament Team. McKellips and Hunt were both selected for this honor. Said Ganske, "We had a real good team effort, but those two really came through for us."

Two teams forfeited to the Crusaders during the season, and the 'Saders came away with a 2-6 record for the regular season. The Crusaders even got to

scrimmage against a USVBA team from Boise twice, which Ganske and the other players saw as a learning experience. Ganske and the team hope that next year, the experience the team gained this year will help them gain more, and improve their record and their play.

Ganske saw this year of play as one of improvement for the relatively young team. Many players improved their performance, and many of the freshmen earned a feel for college volleyball. Ganske, as this year's club president, has many plans for next year. "I'm real excited about next year because we should have a bigger program with more players, more sponsors and more games."

Ganske already has four tournaments planned for next year's team, as well as several regular season games. Eastern Oregon State College is hosting a tournament in March, in April there is a tournament in Portland and NNC will be hosting two tournaments, also in April. The final

tournament will be held in May, although the location is unknown at this time.

The 'Saders have at least one more match left this year. They will play USVBA again on Thursday, May 8, and are hoping to be able to schedule another exhibition.

The men's volleyball team was managed, this year, by Julie Sauder and Jessica Menard. Their faculty advisor is Darlene Brasch, and the team would like to express their thanks to her and to the women's volleyball team, especially Lisa Erikson, Libby Allen and Menard. Ganske is also working on a home page for the team, in part to begin a heavy recruiting campaign for more sponsors. The team is also looking for a statistician and a manager for next year. If you are interested, please contact Karl Ganske.

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9. Melt them over potatoes for a healthy snack!
8. Carding dorm room doors.
7. Really, really thick playing cards.
6. That and a quarter can make a phone call.
5. Sled.
4. Wallpaper.
3. Data storage.
2. Magnet tester.
1. Chris uses them to get all the girls.

Dreamed up by *The Crusader* staff really, really, really, really, really, really, really, really late on Tuesday night.

You can turn **Top Tens** in to NNC Box C. If you make them funny, they stand a heckuva lot better chance of being printed. Happy listmaking.

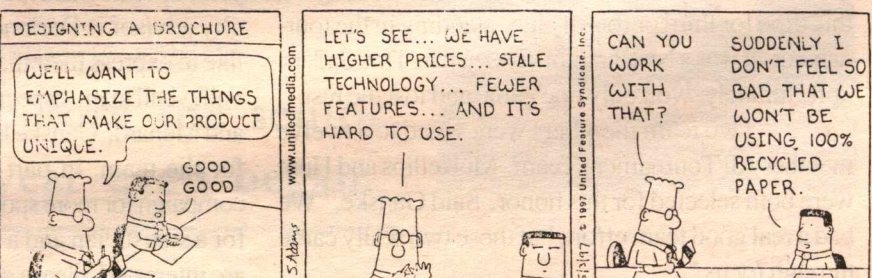
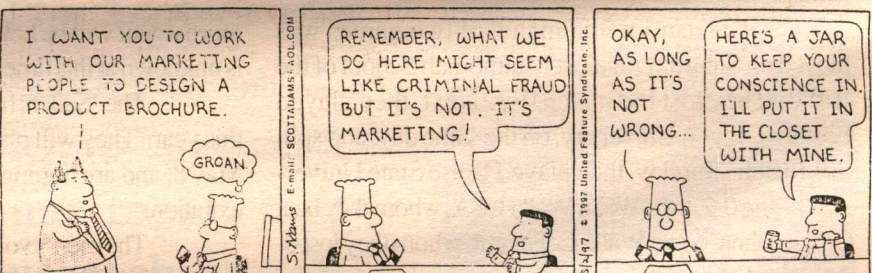
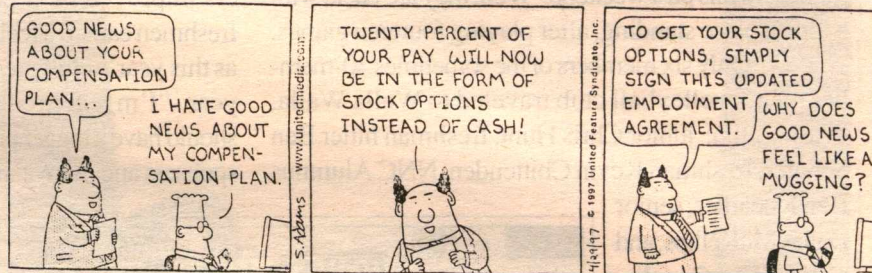
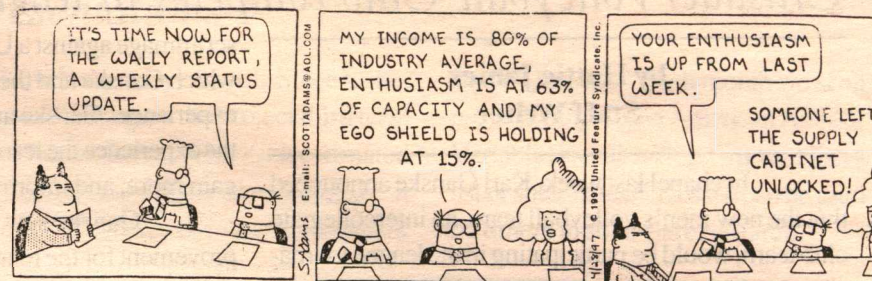
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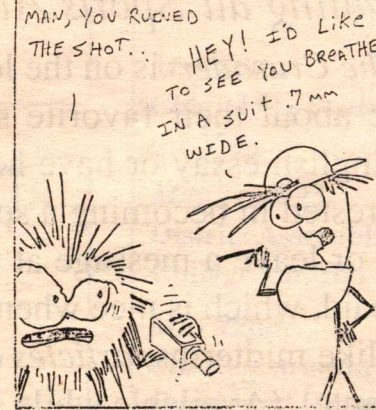
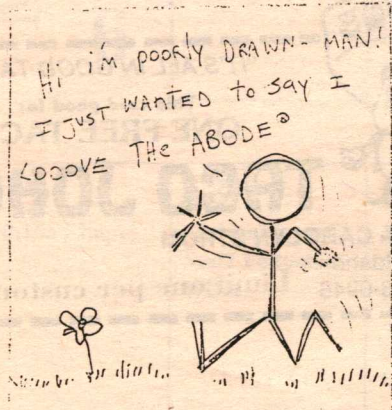
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## The Abode

By Garrett Schmelzenbach





Special

# It all depends on your point of view...

## Jilted

I don't know whether there is such a thing as the perfect woman. I obviously haven't met her yet. But if she's out there, I'll know her when I see her. Will she have a personality? Sure. Looks? Definitely. Expectations? None whatsoever. I consider myself a reasonable kind of guy. But even I experience an occasional error in judgement. I'm not sure how it happens. Maybe it's just that in certain moments, I get caught off guard. Or I get distracted by an itch on my elbow. Or I have a sudden insatiable urge for self-torture. Whatever it is--I ask another one out.

The scenario of that first date never changes. We'll be sitting in the restaurant, maybe enjoying an order of buffalo wings or something. She pretends not to have an appetite, eats maybe one wing, while I finish off the rest. She assures me she's not on a diet, that she never eats very much, she's just never all that hungry. I let her get away with that one, although I can tell from looking at her that she's exaggerating a tad about the usual size of her appetite.

We're making small talk, maybe discussing the dismal record of the Cubs this season, or whether Sean Kemp could beat Grant Hill in a one-on-one. As far as I can see, we're having a fairly intellectually stimulating discussion, and then, without warning--the conversation drifts into dangerous waters. Suddenly, I'm ducking and dodging well-aimed torpedoes, those carefully crafted

questions that will determine my position on the infamous Commitment Scale.

It starts with an innocent enough question. "So, what did you say you do for a living?" At least it would be innocent enough if the salvation or destruction of civilization did not rest on my answer. A predatory glint flashes

**And let me just tell you we all have needs. You know what my needs are? To be treated as more than just a piece of beef.**

from her eyes and she licks her lips at my response. Then she assumes a casual air, as if this next question is a mere formality. "And does that pay pretty well?" I know better. Whether I respond with a yes or no, what she's really fishing for is a ballpark figure.

I make a frantic attempt to change the subject, to anything, even to *her* life, but women are trained to counter this maneuver. I gasp for oxygen as the scenes of my life begin to flash in her eyes (I notice that the final scene is this one). She proceeds to grill me on my medical history, whether or not my car is paid for, the identity of my fourth grade teacher. And here, finally, and

with great skill, the conversation is turned to the subject of family, or childhood, or anything that would logically follow with, "I love kids, don't you?"

All right. I'll admit it. Not every experience is like this one. This only happens with dates above the drinking age, the stage of life at which women must begin to fight old-maid-dom tooth and nail.

Ladies, I've heard all of the lines you use to get what you want. Yeah. I know. And let me just tell you *we* all have needs. You know what my needs are? To be treated as more than just a piece of beef. I resent being used as merely the means to achieve an end. I resent being treated like an object.

You underestimate us. We know what you're doing.

**We can here that clock ticking a mile away. I only hope I'm not around when the alarm goes off.**

We know what you want to hear. And we can hear that clock ticking a mile away. I only hope I'm not around when the alarm goes off.

This is something I have learned through years of observation: women are only after one thing, and no matter whose feelings get stepped on, they are de-

termined to get it. They take advantage of weakness, exerting their power when we can't fight back. If I ever went into a women's locker room (again), I can tell you exactly what I'd hear.

"Hey, I saw you out with Joey last night. Did you score?"

"Well, he was kind of skit-tish at first. Every move I made, and he was ready to bolt."

"Oh, come on. Don't tell me you stopped there. You let him get away without giving some compensation for your time?"

"Nah . . . I finally wore down his resistance. I got him right where I wanted him."

"Yeah, right. You've told that story before."

"Hey, I can prove it. I already have the ring picked out."

Every once in a while, a guy will give in to the pressure. In a weak moment, the flip of the hair, the fluttering eyelashes, the cute little giggle, and WHAM! That chubby, naked kid with wings shoots a razor-edge, broadhead arrow straight into a healthy heart. The arrow twists and grinds, burying itself deeper and deeper into the tortured, screaming flesh, until there's nothing left but a mangled lump of twisting tissue. Utter annihilation.

At least, that's what I've heard.

**Heather Slater has been an editor at The Crusader for two years and hopes she won't get beat up.**

Introducing... **Poorly Drawn Man** By David Stillman

ASMC had some extra money lying around, and sent Poorly Drawn Man to a conference in Bermuda. He'll be replaced by...

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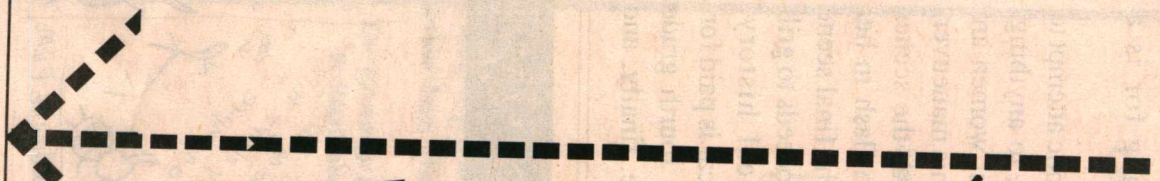
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# Senior Slick

Saturday

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 Back to the '80s

