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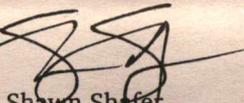


## Column One

Hey everybody, it's Tuesday. This issue marks our first this year at our new printers. The folks over at Owyhee Avalanche have been great to us for the past years, but circumstances arose that necessitated a change. We are now working with Steve Rohm at The Press-Tribune. He has been most helpful in making this transition as smooth as possible.

Important things are coming up in the next few weeks. We are not printing next week (by reason of mental sanity), so I will mention a few of the more prominent in my mind: Volleyball tournaments this weekend, be there to see this year's champions; Basketball seasons have started, the US Bank Tip-Off tournament is this weekend; Homecoming is around the corner, get tickets to everything because it's going to be great; Powder Puff is next weekend; band concerts, fall plays, and Messiah are just a few of the exciting events for which we can all be in great anticipation.

Remember, Veteran's Day is Wednesday; wear a poppy for those who were killed. Have a week full of life.



Shawn Shafer  
Editor-in-Chief

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# Murdock Conference lures students

## The next level of knowledge arrives

by Kenzi Wilkes

Crusader News Staff Writer

Over two-hundred and fifty students and professors from twenty-seven northwestern colleges came to NNC this past weekend. They came to Nampa for the seventh annual regional conference on undergraduate scientific research.

Every year, students gather at one of the participating colleges to share the results of summer research projects. The M. J. Murdock Foundation has provided these science students with a unique opportunity by generously funding undergraduate research.

Dr. David Redfield opened the conference with a welcoming speech in the Brandt Center. Then students began presenting research. Eight students addressed the audience with a fifteen-minute synopsis of their research results. Numerous other students shared their research through posters; over one hundred lined the walls of the auditorium and lobby of the Brandt center during the conference.

NNC was well-represented with eleven poster-presenting students. The poster forum allowed for the sharing of ideas and gathering of input between students with similar research experiences.

The goal was that students expand scientific knowledge through exposure to the scholarship of peers.

On Friday night, Dr. Robert Strom, the keynote speaker from the University of Arizona, lectured on Mars. Participants were then invited to the Boise Philharmonic Concert in the Brandt Center.

Eight more student presentations, including two from NNC, completed the Murdock conference on Saturday. Joel Sauder, from the biology department, shared his experience tracking Great Gray Owls this past year near McCall, Idaho. Ryan Hammer from the physics department discussed photo-refractive focusing and de-focusing. Sauder said, "It was a good experience to put on resumes and I felt like it went pretty well." Sauder and Hammer made NNC proud with their sharp presentations.

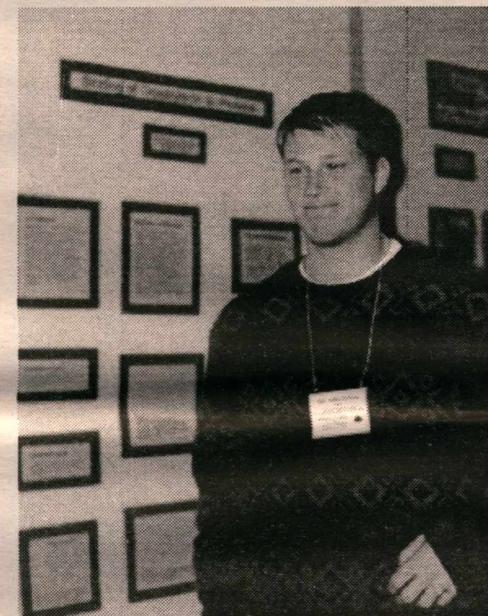
Dr. Jennifer Chase from NNC's chemistry department said, "As the smallest school, hosting the conference was a wonderful chance to show off NNC, especially with the new Brandt Center." At past conferences, NNC participants have traveled to larger schools such as Pacific Lutheran University and Willamette University. It was a privilege to hold the conference for the first time and exhibit NNC's great science department.

Since the majority of the NNC science professors were involved in the conference, most science classes were canceled on Friday. Many professors required students to attend the conference or gave



extra credit for attendance. Sophomore biology major Jessica Robinsop went on her own time to get a glimpse of the action. She commented, "I thought it was really interesting and lots of it was actually applicable to stuff that I'm interested in."

Because research is such a fundamental part of the scientific world, NNC faculty and students view the annual Murdock program as an excellent enrichment opportunity. Such research provides students with skills and experience that most wouldn't encounter until graduate school.



Robin Day explains her research to a fellow participant in the Murdock Conference. Senior Mike Nelson was also a presenter during the weekend.

# TWIRP emphasizes mingling, fun

## Students rave about cosmic bowling as well as group interaction

by Amber Jerome

Campus Editor

TWIRP was more than just a girl-ask-guy event; it was a night of mingling, learning how to play bunko and enjoying entrees at professors' houses. Both Friday and Saturday evenings offered a full itinerary which afforded people the opportunity to get to know one another under creative settings.

It started with the unique way in which many girls asked potential dates to accompany them to the ASNNC event. Tara Poole and her roommate Angie Steele sent their prospective dates on a "goose chase" all over campus with clever chalk messages leading up to the big question in the tennis courts. Kevin Durfee's date used campus mail every day for a week to send him newspaper clippings that spelled out the question "ransom-note-style."

Friday night's events included dinner in Clyde's, a "bigger and better" scavenger hunt, Sundaes in Clydes, and finally cosmic bowling. Saturday opened with a progressive dinner starting in Clyde's followed by bunko and finally a 10:00 p.m. showing of *Ever After*. Rain altered Saturday's plans to hold an on-campus scavenger

hunt, so the indoor dice-game bunko took the activity's spot.

According to Rachel Stearns, though, the game was one of Saturday's highlights. She said, "moving to other tables let you meet a lot of people. You weren't even always with your date," she added.

The night was one of group interaction, an advantage that allowed couples to have fun without feeling the pressure that might accompany typical dating.

The most talked about activity was Friday night's cosmic bowling. Students agreed that it is a keeper for future TWIRPs. Jen Revels described the atmosphere as "disco-tech party fever."

Music included Christian contemporary, disco as well as 80's sounds. The adjective most frequently used to describe it,

though, was "loud."

During the progressive dinners, students traveled in groups to different professors' houses for multi-course meals. Jodi Schueler's group traveled from the homes of Dr. Redfield and Paula Rogers to Brasch World. She said she enjoyed spending time with the other five people in her group.

Kelly Robinson's only complaint was that they didn't get to spend much time at the professors' houses since their meals were timed. She said everyone was having so much fun that the group stuck around after the larger group had all dispersed.

TWIRP provided a community event for lots of people to join. It was more about participation and getting to know one another than "dating," which is why the event is always such a success.

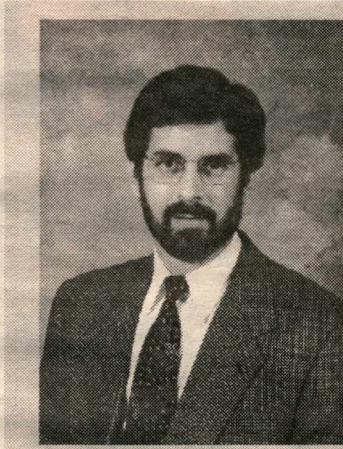
# New professor followed God's lead to NNC

## Myers' move to NNC was a matter of faith and a dream realized

by Kenzi Wilkes  
Crusader News Staff Writer

Barry Myers is NNC's new professor of math and computer science. His family's move to Nampa involved leaving the comforts of home in answer to God's call. It was an unsuspected move, but also a blessing which provided Myers the chance to teach where he had always wanted to--at a Christian college.

Professor Myers grew up in Enid, Oklahoma and went to Southern Nazarene University where he obtained his under-



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~Professor Barry Myers

graduate degree in math and in computer science.

He received his masters in statistics from Oklahoma State University. Currently, Myers is working on his dissertation to complete his doctoral degree at the University of North Texas.

Beyond this impressive list of professional pursuits, Myers is a devoted family man. He is married to Donna Myers, and they have two daughters: three year-

old Hannah, and seven month-old Sarah.

His time outside of school is focused primarily on his family and everything seems to center around his two girls. The Myers family enjoys hiking, taking walks, playing at the park and of course, visiting local toy stores.

When asked what brought him to NNC, Myers' answer was simple: "God."

A year ago, Myers was teach-

ing comfortably at the University of Southern Colorado in Computer Information Systems. He and his wife Donna had planned to permanently settle in Pueblo, Colorado.

They had a nice home near the school with plenty of room for growth, and Pueblo seemed like a nice location because it was central to both of their families. It was then that Myers was first contacted by Dr. DeCloss from NNC and offered the faculty position at NNC.

At this same time, the Myers' were in the process of adopting their second child, Sarah. The family had to choose if they wanted to make the move to Idaho while going through so many changes. Myers said, "It was a big decision deciding whether to uproot the family," especially with a child on the way.

Yet the chance to teach in Christian higher education was welcomed as the family sought God's guidance and direction. "It

was a week of serious prayer, fasting and soul-searching," said Myers. In the end, and luckily for NNC students, Myers decided to accept the offer. His addition to the department of math and computer science will be a great asset to students.

Myers said, "I've always been interested in being on a Christian campus where my beliefs are upheld and where I can pray with students." Myers wants to reach students and to become a part of the NNC community.

His willingness to come to uncharted territory and relocate his entire family is just another example of the incredible sacrifice professors make to teach here at NNC. Equipping students to serve in God's kingdom is a task of eternal value.

Myers is teaching Discrete Math and Introduction to Computer Science this term. His office is located on in the science building in room 112. He welcomes students to visit his office anytime.

# Board of Regents thoroughly examines changes

## Strategic alliances, professor salaries and university status were topics of discussion

by Kenzi Wilkes  
Crusader News Staff Writer

This past week the board of regents met at NNC to continue discussing important issues which affect the campus.

Their meetings started on Wednesday morning for the executive committee of the board of regents, which consists of eight regents. The meeting of the full board began Wednesday night and continued all day Thursday, concluding at noon on Friday.

Many issues were on the agenda for this semi-annual meeting of the regents. They discussed the prospect of NNC switching to university status. They also continued with their examination of strategic alliances. Strategic alliances are agreements made with

other institutions. For example, NNC has teamed up with Mercy Medical Center to implement the nursing program and is working with BSU on engineering. They are also working on a self-study to improve board functioning.

Another exciting development deals with the approval of an accredited social work masters program which would distinguish NNC as the only Christian school in the west to offer such a program, according to Rev. Jim Christy of Greeley, Colorado.

Christy also said that board members are very concerned about compensating professors at NNC whose own salaries have suffered due to the school's budget cuts. Christy says that they have "sacrificed a great deal" over the past two years.

He commented that as representatives of the school, the regents wanted to communicate to the faculty that NNC has not overlooked the issue. Christy said, "We want them to know we appreciate them."

It is apparent after talking with several regents that NNC is embarking on an exciting future. Rev. Chuck Wilkes from Colorado commented, "I think NNC is entering the most outstanding period of its history." Regent Cliff Cowley from Portland said, "I'm excited about the tremendous advancement NNC has made in all

areas in the last two years, particularly student leadership in the campus spiritual life."

The board of regents is a group of 40 men and women from NNC's educational region, which includes eight northwest states. Approximately half of the regents are pastors and the rest are lay-persons. They are elected at the District Assemblies.

The board has three main responsibilities. First, they elect and evaluate the school's president. Second, they set the major policies for the institution and finally, they make sure that NNC survives and flourishes.

Over the past year, the board of regents has made extensive efforts to get connected with the campus community. They have held three summit meetings in which the regents met with faculty, staff, and administration to get up close and personal with the school's needs.

The board used to meet in Clyde's, formerly known as Wordsworth Dining Room, but when students asked for that room for a student hang-out, the regents generously gave up their meeting place. They now meet in Franklin Hall at College Church. Regents convene on the NNC campus twice yearly, each fall and spring. The board of regents plays an integral role in the governing of Northwest Nazarene College.

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On October 15, President Hagood and Kathy Scott of Mercy Medical Center announced the reinstatement of a nursing program at NNC effective in the year 2000. Described as a "strategic alliance," this decision accompanies other major changes which are transforming the school. Regents placed discussion of these issues at the top of their weekend itinerary.

I went to a party the other night with a couple of friends. Everyone was there. We met some guys we knew and we were all dancing. I put my drink down to go to the bathroom. When I came back, I finished it off. I don't know, it was weird... one drink and it felt like six. I mean, after a few minutes, I [REDACTED] totally out of it [REDACTED] friends were outside [REDACTED] talking [REDACTED] this guy [REDACTED] offered to drive me home [REDACTED] on top of me. I couldn't move [REDACTED] help [REDACTED] and I woke up eight hours later. I know I was raped. I just can't remember how or why.

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# Mike Poe will plan summer school and teach

## Poe will now have more contact with undergraduate education majors

by Kristina Ritchie  
Crusader News Staff Writer

Mike Poe, who served NNC last year as the program director for continuing studies, assumes a

new role in the Education Department this year.

As the new Summer School Coordinator and as a professor, he will supervise secondary student teachers and prepare the schedule for summer school.

Poe graduated from NNC in 1978 with a degree in secondary education and over the years has taught middle school and high school physical science, general math, communications, and Idaho history.

Poe also has served as a vice-principle at three schools in the Meridian district: Meridian Middle, Lowell Scott Middle and Centennial High. He was also the

Vallivue Middle School principal.

As a twenty-year teaching veteran and father of three school-aged children, Michael Poe sees the great importance of a student-centered, organized classroom.

These are the values that he hopes to instill in education students as he prepares them for their role as teacher: "I see my primary job as ensuring that student teachers have a positive experience. I hope to be a positive influence for education majors at NNC."

Poe is currently studying for a graduate degree as an Education Specialist, after which he will start working on his Ph.D. in education from the University of Idaho.



*"I see my primary job as ensuring that student teachers have a positive experience."*  
~Prof. Mike Poe

# KTSY's April Supina is a true D.J. among us

## Junior speech communications major imparts hope and encouragement over the air waves

by Kenzi Wilkes  
Crusader News Staff Writer

Have you been wondering who's behind that amazing voice on the KTSY morning show? Our very own April Supina is the news and weather personality from six to nine every weekday morning.

Supina is a junior here at NNC studying speech communications. She comes to us from Battleground, Washington.

KTSY is the local, family-friendly, Christian radio station. It is located in Caldwell on the campus of Gem State Academy. KTSY has been around for eight years and has future plans for growth and expansion.

Supina was hired on-the-spot at her interview with the General Manager of KTSY, Mike Agee, despite her lack of previous on-air experience. She did have over a year of experience working at KVAN, a news talk station in Vancouver where she was involved in producing and behind-the-scenes work.

For the first several days at KTSY, she prepared newscasts for Jerry Woods, the morning show host, and started pre-recording the afternoon newscasts.

Her first on-air newscast was

on September 21. She recalls it with embarrassment, "It was horrible. It was really awful. I read too fast and my hands were shaking." Her second day, though, was much better and she's only improved since then.

Every morning, Supina wakes up at 4:30 to be at KTSY on time. Her job consists of preparing news casts, reporting news and weather and conversing on-air with co-host Jerry.

Keep in mind that on top of being a world-famous DJ, she is also taking 16 credits here at school.

*"I love that the main goal of KTSY is spreading the Gospel."*

~April Supina,  
News and weather personality

Supina feels like she's living in a dream sometimes because her job is so perfect. She says, "I love that the main goal of KTSY is spreading the Gospel." The morning show includes a special on-air prayer time and listeners can call in and share prayer requests.

Not only is Supina using her talents to minister, but she says that the listeners continually minister to her as well when they call in. People have called in saying that she's the best thing to happen to KTSY and that she's a "ray of light."

One listener in particular said

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that her laugh made his day. Besides being daily blessed by her job, she also gets free tickets to all the local Christian concerts. At the October 8 Michael W. Smith concert, she had a backstage pass to meet the veteran artist himself. She also attended the Josh McDowell conference held at the Idaho Center as part of her radio station duties.

As for Supina's future, her internship with KTSY will run out at the end of her senior year, at which time she hopes to be hired by the station. Other than that, her goal is to "do what God wants me to do."

So tune in every morning to KTSY at 89.5 FM to hear the harmonious vocals of our own April Supina. She is a D.J. among us, reaching the lost with her voice.



April Supina is a natural D.J. In a matter of minutes, she must prepare her own local newscast to share with the entire Treasure Valley, every Monday through Friday at daybreak. Her internship with the Christian radio station has given Supina the opportunity not only to prepare for a career in communications, but to provide encouragement and hope through the spoken word.

**Are you ready for the change?**  
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# U.S. leary about leaving Iraq

by Brad Tibbs

Guest Writer

WASHINGTON--Early this decade, the UN imposed economic sanctions on Iraq as a punishment for invading its neighboring country Kuwait. This led to the Persian Gulf War in 1991, yet problems still linger in the Middle East. The UNSCOM (United Nations Special Commission) sent inspectors into Iraq to oversee the eradication of all Iraq's chemical and biological weapons and long-range missiles, as per agreement in the Gulf War resolution. Iraqi leader, Saddam Hussein restricted the movement of inspectors the first week in August. The most recent crisis began October 31, when Iraq announced that it would no longer cooperate with the UNSCOM guidelines unless the UN lifts the economic sanctions imposed upon the country. However, the Security Council has denied Iraq any lifting of the economic sanctions and maintains that it must comply with the disarmament regime which was put into effect with the Gulf War

cease-fire accords.

Officials say that there is a diplomatic solution that could resolve the lingering problems in the Middle East, however the option of force is still being discussed.

President Clinton met on

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Sunday with Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, Defense Secretary William Cohen, National Security Adviser Sandy Berger and CIA Director George Tenet during the president's retreat at Camp David. They discussed both diplomatic and military options regarding the Middle East dilemma. Apparently, there are no good options left. The senior administration official reported

to NBC News that "absent any last-minute diplomatic solution, the use of military force is increasingly likely." Former Irish Prime Minister Albert Reynolds, who met with Iraq's deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz, said that Aziz is very open and flexible. Five more UNSCOM inspectors recently left Iraq, with 10 more scheduled for departure on Wednesday, yet 100 inspectors still remain in Iraq and will be able to continue the work as soon as Iraq will comply.

The biggest question being asked the Iraqi government is, "What does Iraq have to hide?" The attitude of the Iraqis, however, is of a different perspective. "Iraq adheres to its stance until the Security Council fulfills its obligation toward Iraq," Aziz told the official Iraqi News Agency. "They will not kill in a military strike more than they are killing with sanctions every day," commented Iraqi Prime Minister Mohammed Mehdi Saleh. President Clinton believes that if there is continued resistance against a peace effort, there will be no resolution but by military force.

# Studies in laser eye surgery bring concerns

by Ryan Dooley

Asst. World News Editor

NEW ORLEANS - Catherine Wilson is a lady who has just recently gotten used to her contact lenses and to carrying around two pairs of reading glasses, a year after having laser surgery on one of her eyes.

The surgery ended up taking her midrange vision away. "Nobody told me that I wouldn't be able to see the food on my plate without glasses," she said.

When the surgery doesn't

work, vision is worse for life. Problems with the increasingly popular surgery are the topic of a symposium at the American Academy of Ophthalmology meeting, which opened Monday in New Orleans.

Most of the time, the procedure works. Success stories are a big part of the reason that the number of operations has grown from more than 100,000 in 1996 to 200,000 last year and 380,000 or more this year.

Federal approval of laser surgery for farsightedness has just

added 70 million potential patients to the 90 million or so nearsighted people in this country.

The operation costs anywhere from \$1,500 to \$2,750 per eye. Ninety percent of the patients get both eyes done. Insurance generally doesn't pay considering it's cosmetic surgery.

Faye Galland wore contacts for 15 years until her eyes refused to accept them any longer. Although she was skeptical about the surgery, she finally changed her mind after paying \$400 for her last pair of

glasses.

"I just decided that once in my life, I wanted to experience being free," she said the day of her operation.

For the first time in 40 years, she could see without glasses or contacts. "I sometimes wake up and jump up, and everything's easy," she said. "It's not fuzzy."

Before her PRK, Wilson wore contacts or glasses for severe myopia, with one pair of reading glasses. Now she needs to have two sets. She has one set for read-

ing, and the other set for the computer.

If she goes to the store, she has to switch them for labels and signs.

"I am a lot worse off than before," she said.

Responsible doctors tell their patients that there is no guarantee of 20/20 vision, and that almost everyone will eventually need reading glasses. But they also can point to studies showing that vision is corrected to 20/20 for three quarters of all patients.

# Gingrich moves to step down from speakership

by Ryan Dooley

Asst. World News Editor

WASHINGTON - House Speaker Newt Gingrich called his office in Washington from Georgia about 5:00 P.M. ET Friday, and told his top aide he had decided not to run for another term as Speaker.

In Gingrich's office at the time, were former congressman Bob Walker, a close friend, and former chief of staff Dave Meyer.

The first thing they did was make a conference call to

Gingrich's staff in Washington and Georgia. A second conference call was made to the Republican leadership, committee chairman and a handful of members with whom Gingrich is close. A third call followed, for all Republican members of the House to call in on if they wanted to do so.

Gingrich said that his decision was not made based upon the decision of House Appropriations Chairman Bob Livingston to run for the Speaker's platform, nor by the

decision of Rep. Steve Largent to run for Majority Leader, the number two post in the GOP leadership.

He felt that he may have won again if he were to run, but he felt it was not in the best interest of the party for him to run again.

Former Senator Bob Dole says Newt Gingrich did the "right thing" by resigning from his position as congressman.

Republican Party elder, Newt Gingrich's spokesman, said that if Gingrich had stayed

in the Speaker's job, it would have been "a battle every day," and the party would have suffered.

Dole also commented on the fact that he's glad to see that Gingrich put party interests before his own.



House Speaker Newt Gingrich embraces Rep. Bob Livingston at a GOPAC meeting Monday night.

# Which direction will the U.S. be steered to?

by Jeremy Smith

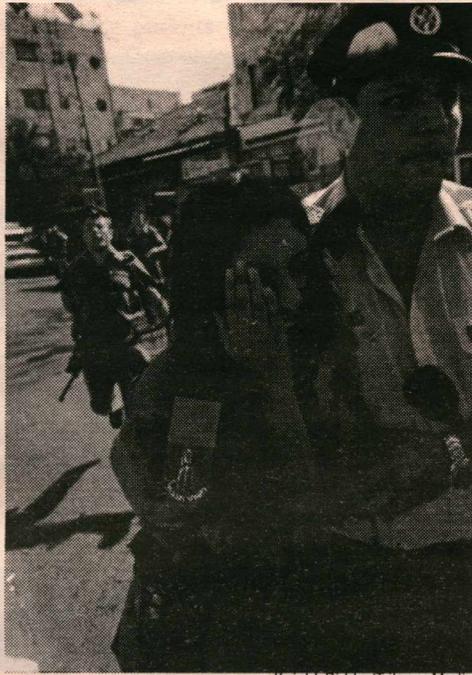
Crusader Staff Writer

JERUSALEM, ISRAEL - Despite new U.S. demands that Israel stick to the timetable of the Wye peace agreement, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said today he will not move forward until the Palestinians do more to combat Islamic militants.

Netanyahu's senior adviser, David Bar-Illan, said Israel will probably not begin its troop withdrawal from 13 percent of the West Bank on Nov. 16, as stipulated by the land-for-security accord with the Palestinians.

Israel appears to be at odds with the U.S. on three key issues of the peace accord--the timetable, continued Jewish settlement expansion and the procedure for revoking provisions of the PLO-founding charter calling for Israel's destruction.

In a phone call this past week, U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright told Netanyahu that she expected Israel to implement the agreement on time.



An Israeli policeman walks with crying woman, just after a car bombing.

"Our understanding is that the Wye timetable will not slip," U.S. Embassy spokesman Larry Schwartz told The Associated Press.

Palestinian negotiator Hassan Asfour said the agree-

ment is "as good as dead" if Israel refuses to carry out the withdrawals on time. "He cannot expect to have implementation of one part of the agreement, our commitments, and postpone the other part," he said.

Concerning the PLO charter, Albright sided with the Palestinians who say the clauses need to be changed by acclamation, but not by a vote, as Netanyahu insists.

"I think the most important thing is that both sides fulfill their obligations stipulated in the agreement," Netanyahu said. "We are prepared to fulfill our side when the Palestinians

combat terrorism and when they bring the charter for a vote." Netanyahu has said the Israeli Cabinet has to ratify the agree-

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ment before Israel can begin fulfilling its commitments.

In the past two weeks, Cabinet debate was postponed or broken off four times by Netanyahu, who said he needed more clarifications from the Palestinians. An Israeli opposition legislator, Haim Ramon, said Netanyahu apparently was trying to hold off on a Cabinet vote until after a key coalition partner, the National Religious Party, decides in a convention early next week whether to stay in the government.

Albright also took Netanyahu to task for continued settlement expansion, Maariv said. "We cannot make progress this way," the newspaper quoted

Albright as telling Netanyahu, "it is impossible to view them as anything but a provocation."

Since the Oct. 23 signing of the accord, settlers have set up mobile homes on five West Bank hills in what one hard-line politician described as a last-minute land grab. "What won't be ours, will be theirs," Benny Elon, a member of the ultranationalist Moledet Party, told the Haaretz newspaper. "It's simple. We have to grab the land." Netanyahu aides have said that construction in the Jewish neighborhood of Har Homa in traditionally Arab east Jerusalem would begin in the near future.

Last Friday, ministers dispersed in response to a suicide bombing by the Islamic Jihad group in Jerusalem in which two assailants were killed and 21 Israelis injured.

Bar-Illan said he expected to Cabinet to reconvene later this week, though no date has been set. Israel's parliament was to debate the accord Tuesday and Wednesday, but is postponing the session until the Cabinet has voted on the agreement.

# John Glenn back to Earth and doing just fine

by Joshua M. Dooley

World News editor

JOHNSON SPACE CENTER--The day after John Glenn's historic nine-day space shuttle mission, Glenn told everyone, "I feel great." Glenn, now the oldest astronaut ever in space, claimed that he felt a bit woozy after the landing, but is now 95 to 98 percent back to normal.

"I feel very elated that things went well," exclaimed Glenn on his first morning back to Earth. "We got a lot of the data we were looking to get and worked very hard up there."

"Obviously, we'd like to... go right back up again, but that's not to be. And so a sense of accomplishment I guess I feel and a little bit of letdown that the whole thing is over, maybe, but nothing serious," Glenn added.

Glenn has three more weeks of additional testing at Johnson Space Center until everything will be completed for him.

After the perfect landing this past Saturday, Glenn, other than being a little shaky from the gravity that reclaimed his body, was reported saying "I want to reprise a statement I made a long, long

time ago," referring to his famous line, "Zero G and I feel fine," from his 1962 space journey. "Except this time, it is 1G and I feel fine.

The view is still tremendous."

In his first post-flight news conference, the Democratic senator from Ohio admitted he "didn't feel too hot" when he stood and walked out of the shuttle this past Saturday. Glenn described his post-flight dizziness as "alligator headed." Still, the 77-year-old Glenn was determined to join his six crewmates for the traditional walk around the shuttle.

Glenn claimed that this shuttle mission was just as satisfying as his history-making ride aboard *Friendship 7* back in 1962.

"I got great satisfaction the first time out of just being up

there and being the first one to do this for our country," said Glenn. "And here I am all these years later."

Just three decades after he accomplished the first orbital space flight for the United States, he was glad to return to space as a geriatric guinea pig. He was jabbed with needles and wired for sleep studies at night.

Critics claim that this flight was more of a support rally for the U.S. space agency than a bona fide scientific work, but nobody seemed to give it a second thought. It gave the agency a much needed boost before work starts later this month on the International Space Station, its most challenging construction project in outer space.

In nearly nine days, the space shuttle *Discovery* made 134 orbits of Earth and traveled 3.6 million miles.

For Glenn, this mission was a long trip back in time to resurrect the glory that surrounded the U.S. space program when he made his historic first flight Feb. 20, 1962. On that mission, Glenn made three orbits in just under five hours. He re-

turned a national hero as the first American to orbit Earth, at a time when the United States and the Soviet Union were locked in a Cold War struggle for space supremacy.

Even as the mission ended, Glenn's work was not done. His heart and blood pressure were recorded during landing, and four hours of medical evaluation awaited him after he disembarked.

There will be no more space

flights, Glenn promised, "unless there's some rising demand that I go back up again." His wife, Annie, already has put her foot down.

Upon returning, Glenn had a message for his generation: "Old folks have ambitions and dreams, too, like everybody else and why don't they work for them? Why don't they go for it? Don't sit on a couch someplace, that's my attitude."



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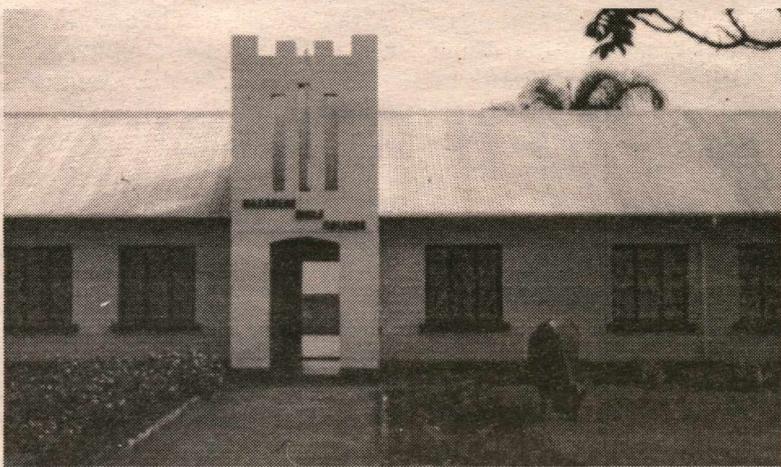
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# From the Mission Fields to NNC

From all parts of the world, missionary kids have come to study at NNC. They are as unique as the countries in which they lived, and they each have stories to tell.

Coming to college is, for some of them, the longest amount of time they have spent in the United States. Many are thousands of miles away from parents, and will not see them for two years. Others had to completely start over here by making friends and adjusting to a different way of life.

Most missionary kids are excited to speak about their experiences in another country, and are thrilled when other students question them. In this issue, a few of them wanted to share their stories.



A cow grazes on the lawn in front of the Nazarene Bible College in Swaziland where Lynnee Freiberg lived as a Missionary Kid.

## Lynnee Friberg

I lived in Johannesburg, South Africa for eight years and attended school there for three. My family then moved to Siteki, Swaziland, Africa. My parents still live there and my mom works as a teacher and my dad is an administrator at Swaziland Nazarene Bible College. My sister left Swaziland for NNC after living there for only two years and my brother left Swaziland for boarding school at the age of fourteen. Swaziland is the only African country that has an active monarchy. They held their first democratic voting just this year. The country of Swaziland has been influenced by the Nazarenes since the early 1900s when Harmon Schmelzenbach was a missionary there. The church has built elementary schools, high schools, medical clinics, a hospital, a teacher and nurse training college and a Bible college.

I stayed home and furthered my education through two home schooling programs: accelerated Christian education and the University of Nebraska high school correspondence. I had the option of going to boarding school, but I chose to stay home with my parents.

There were two other MK's who were in Swaziland at the same time that I was. The three of us ran around together and got

into mischief with the Swazi kids. We girls were required to wear skirts all the time, so I learned to do all sorts of things in skirts.

When I wasn't getting into mischief, I was studying, sleeping or helping my parents. I helped with correcting papers, doing office work, and helping my mom in the library. I became their cook and general house keeper at 12.

There weren't many kids my age around the college, so I became friends with the students. It was hard to become close friends with any of them because they were older, and we were generally so different that it was hard to bond. For about a year, I was the only MK on the station, and that was a very lonely year. During that year I spent a lot of time with one of the single missionary ladies. I learned a lot about independence.

I came to the US to start NNC in the summer of 1994. Both of my siblings were here too. Adjustment to the American lifestyle was difficult. There were many things to get used to: money, slang, driving on the other side of the road, the richness of the people, the waste, the availability of good and other things.

I have loved being at NNC, and through experiences here, I have learned to appreciate being an MK. I feel that God has called me to be an MK counselor and to use my experience to help other MK's adjust to changing cultures.

## Andrea Zickefoose

My life as a missionary kid started when I was one year old. We moved down to the jungles of Peru and stayed there for a while and lived in huts, bathed in the rivers, cooked on open fires and all the good stuff that real missionaries are supposed to do.

Then my parents were enlightened and moved to Ecuador from there. We stayed there for two years and realized that missionaries do not all live in huts and eat worms and bugs. We ate snakes instead. Then we moved to Haiti for two years and ate small children. Finally we moved on to Venezuela and we have lived there for ten years. We eat McDonald's there, by the way.

I started my vast schooling career by having my loving mother flunk me from kindergarten since she was my teacher and her great reason was because I wasn't focused enough. Go figure. I guess she never got over it because she sent me to boarding school for all four years of high school.

Boarding school actually turned out to be the best thing that had ever happened to me. That is where I learned who God really is and how to accept him on my own, and not as the belief my parents had. I would not trade that experience for the world.



Jeran McConnel poses with friends in Papua New Guinea on the beach near her home in Lae, where she lived from the time when she was seven to eighteen. "It's my home," she says, "I just got married this summer, and we're planning to go back and teach. . . . I love everything about it."

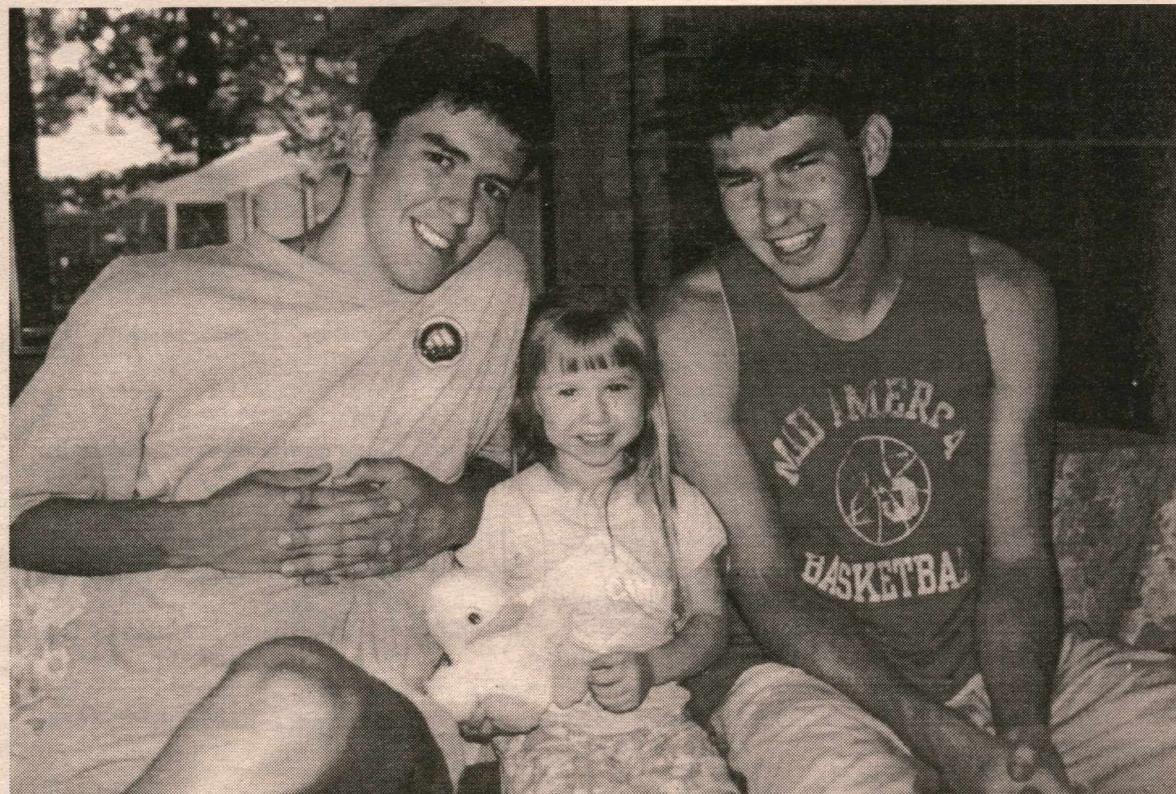
Although I only got to see my parents four times a year, God provided other people in my life to be there for me like my parents would have. And God showed me that if I follow where He leads, He will take care of my every need.

There are so many experiences that I have had living in other countries that if I shared all of them then this article would never end, but probably the funniest ones are when I come back to the States.

It seems like life should stop when I leave, and it was the big-

gest shock to come back to the US and find out that people did not still wear pegged jeans and spandex and big shirts and all that stuff. But it all works itself out in time.

On a more serious note, by being on the mission field my whole life, I have learned that no matter where you are, who you are around, what language you speak, or whatever circumstance you find yourself in, God is still God, and He can be worshiped in any language and in any country or place, and He made a beautiful world out there!



Matt Fraley and his brother, Mark, in France. The Fraleys have been missionaries in France since 1979, and usually reside in Montpellier. For seven months, David and Carolita will be missionaries in residence at NNC.

## Sara Cunningham

I have been an MK since I was four years old. I spent eight years of my life on the coast of South Africa, then a year in France/Germany and the past three years I have spent in Kenya/Madagascar.

The last time I was in the States was in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and I was here in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade too. When we were on furlough, we lived in Wenatchee, WA. Strangely enough, though, I have not experienced a big culture shock that all MK's are supposed to prepare themselves for as they get ready to "emerge" into American life.

I guess what has helped me a lot with culture shock is that I have been at a boarding school since 9<sup>th</sup> grade, with other American missionary kids, so the transition to

NNC has not been hard for me at all. I am overwhelmed though,

when I go to Albertson's and try to pick out cereal--there are just too many choices and it takes me forever to pick something out! (In Madagascar, they only had Kellogg's Corn Flakes, and they cost \$10 - \$15 per box, so we never got those!)

My 9<sup>th</sup> grade year, I went to Black Forest Academy in Germany while my parent were learning French in France. God had called my parent to Madagascar where French and Malagasy are spoken, so my parents needed to take a year of language. When we reached Madagascar, I was sent to boarding school again with my younger sister. There weren't any schools for us in Madagascar and no teenagers that we could hang out with. Rift Valley Academy soon became our second home

away from home. These past few years have been the best of my life. There were 5000 other American MKs--guys and girls whose parents all worked in Africa. Our campus was a 45 - minute drive from Nairobi, in the mountains, overlooking the Rift Valley. It was a lot like college life, except with more rules. I'll mention a few so you can see that its not that bad here at NNC. We had to be in our dorms every night at 7:00 pm, seniors included. Then at 8:30, after an hour of "study hall," seniors were allowed to go out until 10:00. Lights out was at 12. My dorm mom came around every evening and made sure my light was turned off and I was "tucked in bed." Even though we didn't have uniforms, girls weren't allowed to wear shorts to school.

So for me, I feel like I have tons of freedom here! But I made tons of friendships,

friendships that are going to last a lifetime. Our school had many outreach groups to the community and a ctivities on the weekends, so we were never bored.

Madagascar is an island in the Indian Ocean, and the most beautiful place in the world. One of the prominent customs of the Malagasy people is the worshipping of their ancestors. They are a very family oriented people and care a lot about relationships. They love to sing and have beautiful voices.

My parents were the pioneer missionaries there; church planting was their main job. The church is really growing too--we were doing the cell church method and we now have over 1000 members in our church. They don't have a church building yet, so they meet

in different locations each week. I love worshipping with the Malagasies--they are so excited about Jesus.

I feel so blessed to have been able to be an MK. I love to travel and meet new people, so that always helps. Interacting with people that are so different from me is awesome. Feel free to come and talk to me about the mission field, boarding school experiences, crazy food, whatever - I'd love to meet you! See you around.

## Matt Fraley

When I came to NNC, I had many goals. I wanted to meet many new people and finally settle down in one town. I have lived 15 years in France, where my parents and I are missionaries. I am thankful for this unique experience.

I have dealt with changes throughout my life, whether it be cultures, houses, or languages, but to my greatest pleasure. Adapting, however, is difficult. I had many hard times in France as an MK. I was considered as the odd one of the bunch, but I have found my place here among caring people. My experience was still positive, but exhausting at times on a religious level. Here responses like "cool" or "oh! So you're David and Carolita's son" are quite common when presenting myself.

School is great here and, sorry to say, seemingly easier. I survived the French system and appreciate a great deal about the American education. My major is French Education and you can see me in the Study Skills Center as a French tutor or in FR 101 as a TA. I'd be glad to answer any questions about French culture or French class. Or, if you'd like to know more about an MK's life, feel free to ask me or the other MKs.



While visiting her parents in Africa, Jeran McConnel met this village girl. When McConnel was growing up, her parents were missionaries to Papua New Guinea. Her mother was a nurse, while her dad started an English speaking church in Lae which is now the biggest church on the island.

## Aaron Bynum

I grew up in the eastern lowlands of Bolivia, on the outer edge of the Amazon jungle. Life was interesting to say the least. I loved waking up in the morning to the sound of monkeys chattering in the papaya trees in our backyard. I had many awesome experiences. I was never attacked by jungle Indians or bitten by a black mamba, nor did I ever spend the night in a thatched roof hut. However, I did grow up with tarantulas and scorpions crawling around my living room, with chickens running around my backyard minutes before they were served at the table, and with everyone around me speaking another language.

Bolivia is a very diverse country, with the Andes Mountains towering in the west all the way down to Los Yungas dropping to sea level in the east. Incan influences can still be seen on the Altiplano (the highlands) and the European influences are very much evident in the east. Most of the people are Roman Catholic by heritage, very few of them practice their religion. I loved having the opportunity to learn another language. Spanish is the official language of Bolivia. My favorite food in the world is Saltenas (little meat pies).

My parents both felt called to the mission field at very young ages. They met at NNC, and shortly after graduation they mar-

ried. Before going to the mission field they pastored in Berkeley, CA for four and a half years. My parents didn't want to split the family, so I never went to boarding school. God blessed us with a mission owned and run private school in Santa Cruz, Bolivia where I attended from first through ninth grade. Adjusting to life in the States hasn't been all too difficult for me. My parents always saw to it that we didn't lose our roots. They didn't shelter us from the different culture we were living in, but they always tried to make our home an "American haven" of sorts.

I chose to come to NNC for many reasons. First, as I already mentioned, my parents both attended here. Also, my sister, Angela, came here and I really loved hanging out with her and her friends. I visited Nampa quite frequently during the few years that I spent growing up in the US, and I grew up knowing that I would attend NNC. College is not really what I expected it to be, but then nothing ever is. I grew up listening to my parents reminisce about their days here, and always had a sort of fairy tale image of NNC. I arrived here and realized that it was just as real as everywhere else I had lived. The only way I have directly seen God using my experiences is to allow me to meet the person to whom I will soon be married.



Matt Fraley teaches his friends in France a new card game.

# Crusaders lose two games on Montana trip

## Women start off their pre-season with an 0-2 record

by Robin Day  
Sports Editor

The NNC's women's basketball team started their season officially this past weekend, taking on Carroll College and Montana State University Northern in Montana. The 'Saders unfortunately lost both games, starting them off with a 0-2 record.

Friday night against Carroll

was an odd game. NNC beat the Lady Saints in every possible stat category except three-point goals, shooting percentage and the final score. The Crusaders had more steals, a better bench, less turnovers, more free throws, a better free throw percentage, more players scoring and controlled the boards almost unchallenged, but their effort did not show in the final score.

The Crusaders got behind in the first half and were down 24-6 at one point. By the end of the first half, they had

*"We did a lot of good things that didn't show in the final score."*

evened up the score to 26-32, but with Carroll still ahead. In the second half NNC led two times, but Carroll managed to pull off a close 72-64 win over the 'Saders.

Head Coach Roger Schmidt said, "We played extremely well in the second half. Our bench really came through and scored 26 points to their bench's six."

Saturday's game brought another disappointed loss, this time against the seventeenth nationally ranked team, MSU. Once again, the Crusaders fell behind the first half, 22-40, and played an excellent second half that wasn't quite good enough to win. Coach

Schmidt said, "We were down 11 with nine minutes to go and it turned into a free-throw contest. They made 26 to our ten."

The Crusaders again out rebounded their opponent, by ten rebounds, but to no avail. MSU won the game 75-57.

Coach Schmidt commented, "We played two good halves out of four. We've just got to figure out how to start sooner. This weekend was very positive, coaching wise. We have a lot of strength and variety in the post positions and at the perimeter. We did a lot of good things that just didn't show in the final score. We learned and handled the pressure well."

This year's team has nine new players. Only three members have

played with each other before. The teams that the 'Saders played this weekend are returning teams. MSN has six seniors and one new player and have only lost one home game in three years. (That loss was to NNC, two years ago.) Both teams are NAIA Division I.

Coach Schmidt is far from discouraged about his team's chances. "The kids are an athletic group as a whole, and they work hard. They work well together already. We had a really good practice yesterday."

The 'Saders play again this Friday and Saturday in the U.S. Bank Tip Off tournament. Friday's game begins at 6:30. The winner of that game will play on Saturday at 6:30, the loser at 5:00.

# JV basketball team wins first game this season

## JV team beats Cascade 82-64

by Robin Day  
Sports Editor

Last night I had the pleasant surprise of watching the men's JV basketball team play against Cascade College. The Crusaders took off running and plowed over the top of Cascade in the first half, leaving the court with a 35-19

lead.

When the 'Saders returned they picked up where they had left off, streamrolling Cascade to a 82-64 victory. The 'Saders showed a lot of hustle and finished off scoring four points in the last three seconds.

JV coach Craig Stensgaard commented on the game, "The guys played real well. We had a tough weekend in Utah and we still came out strong tonight and jumped out early. The guys maintained their lead and built on it. It

was a well rounded effort."

Every player on the team played and 11 of the 13 scored. Only two players scored in the double figures, Chad Mettler with 16 points and Joe Chapman led the field with 27.

"We've talked with Joe about working on a quicker shot and attacking the basket. You can tell how he did. He made a good mental adjustment, since we haven't had any practices since we talked to him. Joe turned in a solid performance," said Coach Stensgaard.

Point guard Tyler Moyer, a man of few words by his own admission added, "Tonight was a team effort, but some guys really stepped it up."

Last night was the third game the JV team has played. This past weekend, the team lost two games to Utah colleges, making their current record 1-2. Tonight they travel to Twin Falls to play College of Southern Idaho and on November 20 they will play in Utah again at Snow College. The JV Crusaders will also play during Homecom-

ing on Friday and Saturday at noon on both days.

The 'Saders already have an odd assortment of fans, including their own special brand of cheerleaders. They in themselves are worth going to the games to see. Any diehard basketball fans looking to unwind after Thanksgiving Day should spend their lunch in the gym watching this talented and dedicated group of guys playing. It will be time well spent.

# Intramural football playoffs set for Saturday

## Teams Porterfield and Ledbetter win

by Craig Craker  
Staff Writer

Once again on a cold Saturday morning, I found myself at the football field watching the Princes of the Pigskin do battle. This particular Saturday morning seemed different somehow; maybe it was because there were at least 300 people out to watch. It could have been the fact that there was a band or that Jen Revels, Amy Snyder, Jinette Revels and Andrea Zickefoose were cheerleading.

Who knows, but this Saturday seemed special. In fact, I could smell an upset in the air, so when Team Dooley thrashed Team Porterfield it was no surprise to me.

In the middle of the victory party, though, I suddenly woke up, looked at my clock and realized it was two in the afternoon and I had somehow slept through countless alarms and missed the games. I must now hope that you will accept my humblest apologies for missing the ever exciting games on Saturday.

The first game featured a huge duel between Team Washington and Team MLH. These teams went at it for a long time, with Team MLH forfeiting for undisclosed reasons, making this reporter very happy that he did not show up for the 10 o'clock game that never happened.

Game 2 did happen though, and it was a very exciting game. Team Dooley really blew their chances at winning their first game of the year. They missed a couple of key plays that really could have changed this game around. Instead, Team Porterfield squeaked

by with a 48 to 0 win.

This game was all about Jeremy Schwab. The guy was a part of seven touchdowns, he ran four in and threw three passes for TD's. Schwab scored from 40-, 20-, ten- and five- yard touchdown runs respectively and he threw for touchdowns from 30, 30, and ten yards out.

Brian Porterfield didn't do too shabby himself scoring a touchdown and catching a two-point conversion. Ken Wells also added a two-point conversion to finish up the scoring. It was a wild day in which I really thought that Team Dooley had their chance to win a game.

The game of the day had to be Team Russell vs. Team Ledbetter. This was a grudge match between two good teams. As a side note, I will add that Team

Russell was missing four players, and after talking to Coach Russell, he said there was going to be "... A couple of strong fines handed down to players that did not inform the team that they were going to miss the game."

Brock Ledbetter opened the game with a 10-yard pass to Rob Imhoff for a touchdown, and when Imhoff

added the extra point it was 7-0. After some defensive struggle, Eric Mackenzie scored from 20 yards out to cut the lead to 7-6. Team Russell failed to add on the extra point and went into halftime trailing 7-6.

At the start of the second half Imhoff added his second touchdown of the game as he scored on a nice play from 15 out. Justin Carr added on the extra point and it was 14 to 6.

*When Dooley thrashed Porterfield, it didn't surprise me.*

The game was definitely turning into a struggle for both teams, when suddenly Dan Carew let it all hang out as he rumbled in from 50 yards out with a huge touchdown for Team Russell. Once again they failed to get the extra point and found themselves down 14 to 12.

The game was getting really exciting when Brock threw his two-touchdown pass of the day from ten yards and put his team up by a score that would never be overcome by Team Russell. Ryan Warwick added on a touchdown run from 20 yards out in the closing seconds. All it really did, though, was make the score much more presentable for a Russell team that started out looking very good and now must get its act together if it is serious about making a run at the title.

This week is the start of the playoffs and I hope you all come out. For those wondering, I will be there for the entire time.

# Rocky season start for team

## Men's team splits their first weekend tournament, 1-1

by Robin Day  
Sports Editor

The Crusaders split their first weekend of play with a loss against Concordia and a win over San Jose Christian in the Cal Sate maritime tournament.

NNC came out Friday night starting five new players and struggled early in the game. Head Coach Rich Sanders said, "We came out a little tenta-

tive and nervous. We went down early and had to play from behind the rest of the game. We only lost by six points against a very good team and it was very close at the end."

Concordia won the game 91-85 and went on to win the tournament championship on Saturday night.

Saturday night for the Crusaders was a different story from the night before. "We were a better team than they were and we played better," summed up Coach Sanders.

*"We're just not all together yet,"*  
~Rich Sanders

The 'Saders had eight players score in the double figures and forced 36 turnovers. Freshman Josh Coopriider led the teams in scor-

ing, hitting five 3-pointers. Coopriider went 8 for 16 from behind the 3-line for the weekend. Outstanding play was also turned in by senior Scott Bishop, who had 23 rebounds, 18 points and five blocked shots for the weekend. Senior Detmetiros McBride and sophomore Kelly Herron were both named to the all-tournament team.

Coach Sanders is optimistic about the season. "We're still getting used to each other. We press a lot more this year, trying to create turnovers. Our defense this weekend was great, but our offense killed us on Friday. We're just not all together yet."

The 'Saders' next game will be on Friday during the U.S. Bank Tip-Off Tournament. The game begins at 7:30. The winner will play Saturday at 7:30 again, while the loser plays at 3:30.

# The right approach to losing

## A ref commends Team Dooley for positive attitude

by Ryan Dooley  
Assistant World Editor

Dooley has something that not too many teams have these days. They have a positive attitude for losing, even if it is 48-0. It may seem hard to believe, but it is true.

Many people have played football. Many people have won lots and lots of games. Being a team of hungry winners may help you find a win, but if you are Team Dooley Hall, then that may not be the thing that hungers you. They are saying to themselves, "Hey, we don't have to win to have fun; we just want to go out and see how much fun we can have losing."

The guys of Dooley Hall are Ryan Comingdeer, Nathan Mason, Kyle Fischer, Jeremy Smith, Jason Tish, PJ Wybenga, Travis Johns, Ken Tennyson, Jonathan Goff, Brandon Kahler, Wyatt Werner and Troy Olson. Even with a few walk-ons, including a pastor for possible good luck, things didn't work for the team. I think the pastor was there to bring God's grace to the Mean Machine in hopes of just one win for the season. Well, for some strange reason God didn't

intervene, and Dooley Hall still lost.

They had by far, the most people willing to brave the cold long enough to cheer for a team that had little hope in winning a football game, especially for their last game.

You may ask yourself how people like Jodi Yoder, Carrie Seanney, Angela Paschal, Heather Staffenson, Lori Fish, Sara Hamilton and Mandi Nixon possibly get up out of their warm bed and brave the cold to watch Dooley Hall lose. I heard that they

were just going to the game and then leaving straight for Taco Bell afterwards. Sounds to me like Taco Bell was more of the incentive than watching football.

Actually, the reason they came out for the games is because they felt a part of the team, seeing as they live in the same dorm (on separate sides of course). The only one out of the cheerleading squad that is not from Dooley is Sara Hamilton, but I think her interest in football stems because she has an interest in one of the guys.

Back to the real subject at hand, I must admit that these guys put their all into it. They had fun, yet they scored the least amount of points. You have to give credit to a few of the guys on the team though. Actually, the whole team. They play as a team, and they make it fun to watch, unless you

aren't the type that likes shut-outs, or close to shut-outs.

How about the way they pull off a center sneak with Brandon Kahler for a touchdown? Yes, they scored a touchdown. And that is not the only time.

In the first game, when all looked bad for Dooley, Jeremy Smith pulled through and intercepted the ball for a beautiful (can I use that word in describing a guy's actions?) sprint of 80 yards. They still lost that game. That was a touchdown that I am sure he will never forget (there could be a reason for that). They had at least three more after that.

You can't just look at this team and think that they are no good, it's almost like judging a book by its cover. They have speed, throwing distance, kicking distance and center sneaks. What more could you ask for?

The only reason Team Dooley had a record of no wins and a few more losses than zero is because they wanted to have some fun. They are a team of unification. They care more about themselves as a team than winning, and next year when they put their team together again, you will see a team that is still unified, but tired of taking it easy on everybody. Next year the word "playoffs" may be a new word in their vocabulary, but they will deserve it more than any team in NNC intramural football.

*I think the pastor was there to bring God's grace.*

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# Republicans are hurting, but they still have hope

by Chris Field

*Crusader News Opinions Writer*

Now that the elections are over, I'm sure that all are waiting anxiously to hear my take on the elections, what they really mean and their repercussions. I'm sure there are some Republicans out there who are devastated and disappointed and some Democrats who are experiencing sheer elation. There is really no need for either: Republicans lost little, Democrats gained little.

"Were not the Republicans supposed to gain several seats and have a shot at getting Clinton ousted?" you ask. Although I wish it were true, that sentiment can be summed up in one word: hype. Few conservatives were touting the idea that they were going to make big gains--it came from the media. Funny, it was this same media who claimed that the Clinton testimony videos were going to be devastating to the President and made them out to be worse than they actually were.

My point is this: in the same way that they softened the impact of the videos by claiming they were something worse than they really were, they also allowed for a Democrat "victory" in the elections, even though they only won four seats in the House, none in the Senate, and are still profoundly outnumbered in the gubernatorial proportion.

Although image is not everything, it is a major and vital thing. (This brings to mind the fact that even though conservatives have two major opponents in each election, liberals and the national media, they still manage to hold on to power in Congress and most Governors' mansions. I would contend that this says something about the conservative nature of the average American voter.) So, how are Republicans viewed in the voters' eyes? Why? Can they change this to a more positive perception?

The voters this year seemed to see them as unable to be deci-

sion makers and fight for reform. They want Congress to get to work on the Clinton scandal and get it over with, or else drop it. Republicans have not done that, they have delayed in their action, waiting for election results to see what the percentages would be in Congressional politics and partly because they have been strung along by filibustering Democrats and a stubborn, lying President who continues to string the whole country along. Their major problem was that they did not seem able to come together on any major issue. Had they done that, there could have quite possibly been significant GOP gains and an "impeachable" majority.

A major example of the flawed national Republican image is the victory of the Washington State incumbent Congresswoman, Patty Murray. Embarrassingly, I am a Washington citizen that must continue to be represented by such an inept lawmaker. This woman is an idiot, plain and simple. I'm

not calling her names; I'm aptly describing. Her fellow Congressmen have voted her as the most ineffective and incompetent person in Congress. She doesn't understand the issues and votes on whims, yet she won again. Her victory has nothing to do with her ability to be a capable leader; it has everything to do with the view of the Republican Party.

Now that the Republicans realize that they appear stagnant and incohesive, they have begun to take some steps in the right direction. Newt Gingrich has decided to step down from not only the Speaker of the House role but also from the House altogether. He understands that there is grumbling within his own party and that new leadership is necessary for the betterment of the country and the GOP.

Perhaps one of the most important aspects of these elections is George Bush, Jr's re-election as Texas Governor and his subsequently potential run for the presi-

dency. His likelihood as a GOP candidate and possible nominee is high, but it all means nothing if the Republicans do not come together, solidify and stand-up for something.

They need to fight the President despite the media polls that claim people want Clinton to stay in office. Since when do opinion polls by media sources have precedence over the rule of law?

They need to ignore those who make petty claims of "unlawful" acts by Congress, even though Congress has not acted illegally, they are the lawmakers of the country, for them to add rules/laws on how to proceed on such an unusual occurrence of a perjuring, power-abusing, and corrupt President who should be impeached is not wrong--it is their job.

They need to grow a spine and lead this country in the way that the majority of voters sent them to the Capitol to do.

## Your Turn

Random answers from random people on random issues

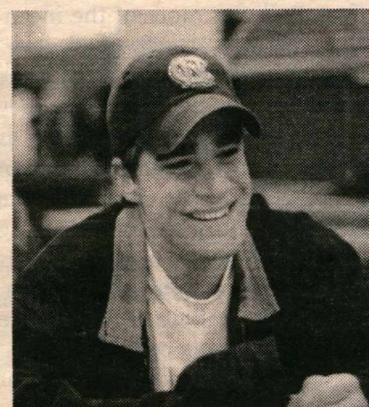
### How do you eat a Reese's Peanut Butter Cup?



**Marijeanne Uhalde Senior**  
"I take a little bite and then it melts, and then I take another bite and it melts. Then I eat the rest. Sometimes I reverse the order."



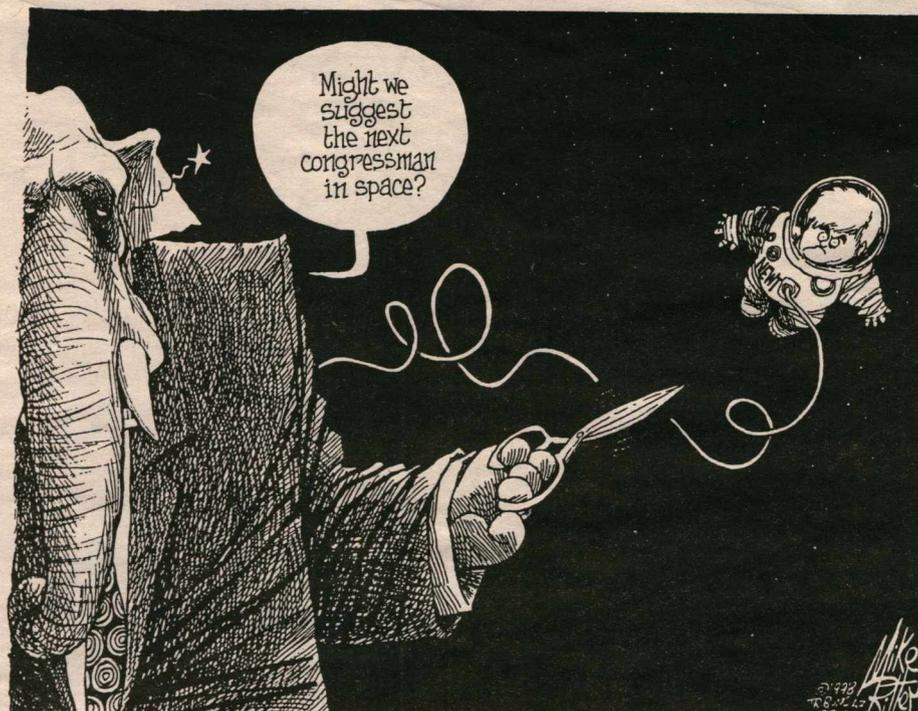
**Terra Hirst Sophomore**  
"I just eat in about three bites. It's kind of boring."



**Nathan Williams Sophomore**  
"I stick my tongue in the side, and then I suck out the peanut butter. Then I eat the chocolate shell."



**Steve Roth Freshman**  
"Depends on the mood. Sometimes I go for a big bite and sometimes I'll take a little one."



## Stop blaming others and admit your faults

by Jeff Fouche

Crusader News Opinions Writer

Has anyone noticed the downward slide of today's society? I mean, besides the rising crime, demise of the American family, government scams and the like? What I mean is the death of self-responsibility and what it means for the average individual.

It used to be that you were responsible for everything you did. If you screwed up and failed to, say, stay on your own two feet on an icy sidewalk, then you said "Dang! That hurt, but I suppose I should wear boots with traction and walk more carefully!" If you tripped on some kids toy, you would march over and tell them to pick it up and give them a lesson, but realize it was you that tripped, and stuff happens. Today, however, it seems that the individual is never responsible for what they do, it's always someone else's fault.

Take the infamous McDonald's coffee case. An old lady pulled up to the Drive-Thru window, ordered coffee, then managed to spill the coffee all over herself as she was driving away. Not realizing that true coffee is prepared and served hot, she proceeded to sue for a bazillion dollars because the restaurant neglected to put big enough warnings on their cups of hot coffee. It became McDonald's fault that she burnt herself with hot coffee. My opinion? McDonalds was aiming at the middle of the intelligence curve and apparently overshot.

They assumed that the average human being with grey

matter would realize that the coffee was, in fact, hot, and would not need monster warning flags attached to the cup to remind them. But no. The lady refused to take responsibility for spilling her own stupid coffee, and got rich, to boot.

Or how about this one: A woman was visiting an acquaintance's house and managed to trip on a kid's toy in the

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middle of the room, doing something or other to her leg. Old school reaction: "Doh! The kid left his Tonka truck in the living room again" (which, I'm sure, has NEVER been known to happen!). "He gets a spanking. 90s reaction: You're gettin' sued because your kid left a toy in the middle of the room, which I proceeded to trip on, injuring my leg, and so you gotta pay for my lack of eyesight!"

What all these bonehead cases boil down to is the restriction of personal freedom. Ten years ago, you could go on a field trip with the school on the verbal permission of you parents, without signing this disclaimer, this other release of liability, and oh yeah, take this

one home to your parents, and make sure they keep one copy... you get the idea.

What's even worse is that this is affecting the church, which really gets my goat. Ten years ago, you could make arrangements to show up at a distant youth group function in your own vehicle, instead of the bus, without the aforementioned rigmarole to go through.

Now, not only do you have to mysteriously appear at the location of the function, but you have to sign a bunch of forms to even go to that function. Apparently, when you travel to a youth function in your own car, the church is responsible for the way you drive, your car, traffic conditions, that slick part of Main Street and even the idiot that ran the red light. They can't let you drive because they might get sued. Realize that this is just my experience, your church could be different (SEE?! Here I go disclaiming, right after slamming on disclaimers!!!!).

That all this suing is restricting their own actions is something that most people don't realize. This is because the court system works by previous example. When a case is heard for the first time, the verdict on it is applicable to any case of remotely similar circumstances.

### Staff Editorial

Nathan Hydes  
Opinions Editor

In these past weeks, we have heard a lot of talk concerning Hurricane Mitch. As I'm sure you already know, Hurricane Mitch has swept across Central America and wreaked havoc on homes and cities resulting in many deaths and injuries.

I think I know why there has been so many tragic losses resulting from this hurricane. In all seriousness, can you really be afraid of something called Mitch?

I've only known one person named Mitch in my life, and he was a big jolly guy who liked to tell jokes. Mitch isn't a name you can really be afraid of.

I can imagine a man in Honduras looking at a hurricane through his window and telling his

family, "Don't worry children, it's only Mitch." Ten seconds later their living in swiss cheese with a door and looking for pieces of their dog, Pablo.

My idea is to give hurricanes more dangerous names. Wouldn't you be afraid of a hurricane named Biff. I bet you'd run from Hurricane Adolph.

Instead we have these sissified names like Hurricane Herbie and Hurricane Hank. I couldn't force myself to run from Hurricane Sally or Hurricane Jimmy.

So to solve this terrible problem, we need to put a little scare into the people of the world. If all we have to do to save lives is to rename our hurricanes, then good golly, let's get going.

lot of people must not realize.

If these individuals are not capable of controlling their own actions, if they are so arrogant that they do not care that they look like idiots to the average sane person, then in a certain sense they are possessed.

Seriously, just sit back and think about it. These individuals apparently have no control over themselves, so something has to. They are so far out of touch that they must not have any inkling of what other people think of them; they have so little respect for their fellow man that they take joy in ruining the financial future of a family because they tripped on a toy.

Something else must control them, they are not in direct contact with the outside world, and they take perverse, sadistic enjoyment in suing the life out of other people. Burn them at the stake! Maybe in a few generations, the gene pool will have recovered.

What needs to happen is a return to the good old days when you were responsible for the stuff you did. No longer should everyone else be at fault for your own irresponsibility. No longer should you have to worry about every little thing that might even have the slightest risk of getting sued. Each person needs to realize that everyone else is not to blame for whatever stupid fix they manage to get themselves into. If everyone took responsibility for their own actions and stopped covering their own rear ends then the world would be a much better place, and you could still look at someone cross-eyed.

So, when that lady that tripped on the toy won her case, everyone that had kids became immediately vulnerable to suing. When that lady spilled her coffee, McDonalds became vulnerable to anyone spilling their coffee. See where this is going? Just a few people suing for lame reasons are capable of

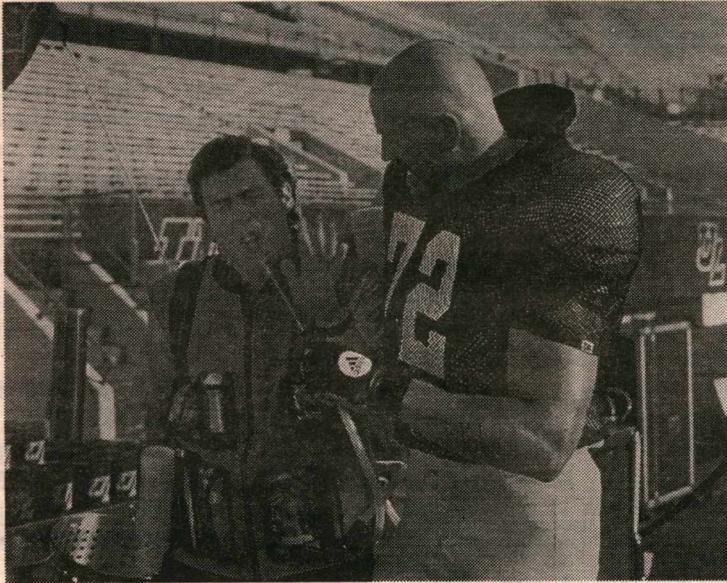
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putting at risk a huge number of people.

Some day, you could be liable for looking at someone cross-eyed because it caused emotional trauma in some bozo that sued, and so you would try not to look cross-eyed at anyone to avoid getting sued. That is a restriction of your freedom because you are no longer allowed to

look cross-eyed. Every time someone sues and wins on a dumbbell case, it means another fluke fact of life is now a liability.

I am not to blame, I'm a lemming. I have no sense of self is what every suer unconsciously says about themselves if they sue for something that obviously should be their responsibility. This little aspect is something a



## The Waterboy is just plain stupid

Guess what movie I'm going to describe to you. The plot is like this: There is an awful sports team (this can be baseball, football, basketball, etc.). This is a team that has a record of losing games. Their fans don't like them, the community doesn't like them and the players are unorganized, undisciplined and most of all untalented. The coach has just about lost faith in his entire team, when suddenly, from out of nowhere, comes an unlikely prospect that turns the team around. Do you know what movie I'm talking about? You may think it's *Major League*, or maybe it's *Necessary Roughness*. Perhaps, *Teen Wolf*, *Air Bud*, or *The Natural*. The list is endless. The movie I am actually describing is *The Waterboy*.

*The Waterboy* is a story about a 31-year-old semi-retarded man named Bobby Boucher (played by Adam Sandler) who finds that when he gets really angry, he can become aggressive and tackle people. With his new-found ability, Bobby leads his pathetic team to the NCAA's first annual Bourbon Bowl. The plot sounds simple enough. That should leave lots of room for some funny scenes, right? Wrong.

Bobby isn't funny. He's just plain annoying. He is a full-grown man who has lived deep in the bayou of Louisiana since birth, having no friends and talking only to his mother. As a result, he has no social skills and suffers from an extreme speech impediment. Watching him try to hold a conversation with somebody isn't humorous. It's simply painful.

Supporting characters in the movie are Kathy Bates and Henry Winkler. Bates plays Bobby's eccentric mother. She is a very controlling over Bobby's life. She's also overweight, loud, and especially unfunny.

I don't necessarily blame Bates for this. She did a good job portraying a southern hick. She just didn't have a good script to work with.

The movie isn't completely bad. It did have a couple funny scenes. It makes fun of southerners in a stereotypical, but funny way. One of the best scenes is towards the end. Bobby decides that it's best to quit playing football since his mother doesn't approve of it. In order to get him to come back for the big game, his girlfriend knocks on doors to get people to support him. When she knocks on the door of a wooden shack, this filthy, inbred-looking hick (played by Rob Schneider) answers the door holding up bloody rabbit that he's eating raw. Other than a few select scenes, this movie pretty much stunk.

*The Waterboy* is Sandler's worst movie to date. The juvenile humor in this movie far outdoes that of Billy Madison. Sitting in the theater, I could hear laughter coming only from the 12-year-old and under audience. I wasn't sure which was scarier, the jokes that Hollywood finds humorous or the fact that kids that looked small enough to be breastfeeding were getting the jokes.

The script could've been written by a group of sixth graders. I can imagine a bunch of 11-year old boys sitting around a table talking about it. "Ok ok, in this part we'll talk about farts and then he'll show us his butt. Yeah yeah."

But don't take my word for it. If you like any of following movies you should go watch *The Waterboy* (oh, and you should be gutshot too): *Mousehunt*, *Free Willy 1* through *13*, *Ed*, *Bingo*, (or any other movie where an animal outsmarts a human). You should go watch this movie only if your alternative is impaling yourself on a Marriot bagel.

### The Waterboy

Starring  
Adam Sandler

Reviewed by  
Nathan Hydes



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### Cobby's

Starring  
Located on 12th St.  
across from Albertson's

Reviewed by  
Scott Timm



## Cobby's had lots of food for sale

There is a new sandwich shop on the other side of the old Albertson's next to Videoland. Well not totally brand new. For those of you who were here last year, you will remember the construction in the area as we left school for the summer. The location is not exactly the best for NNC students to go to because it is farther than most students are willing to walk. It does however, merit a try sometime this year. So be extra nice to that guy or gal who's car you borrow, and do lunch.

The choices seemed to be a little on the short side. The menu was not set up like anything I have seen before and took a second or two in order to adjust. There were somewhere between nine and twelve options ranging from cold cuts to a couple hot sandwiches. There were the classic choices like turkey and clubs to the hotter sandwiches like their french dip. The sizes are four inches, eight inches and twelve inches. The prices were five dollars and up.

There seemed to be just as many topping choices as Subway, but not as much of them piled onto the sandwich. The one thing making Subway quickly better is Cobby's lack of a sandwich club. You just cannot beat a deal where free sandwiches are given away (or any free food on a college budget for that matter).

The other lack of choice comes when ordering potato chips. There is only one choice. This might have a chance of changing however. Cobby's, like all good restaurants, serves Pepsi and not Coke. With Frito Lays being owned by Pepsi, I would guess it would only be a matter of time before Cobby's will add to their chip line and give their customers more choices.

Cobby's does not in any way

try to be a fast food restaurant. If speed and assembly line production is what you want, you had better stay with Subway.

We were greeted as soon as we walked in the door. There was a feeling that the employees really like their job and enjoyed serving people sandwiches. At the same time, they were not so slow that it was irritating waiting in line to get your meal. Granted, there was only one other couple in front of us when we came in to the store. It is safe to say that speed was just not the top priority for them. I would recommend not going during their lunch rush if you are in a hurry.

I have never seen another Cobby's before. I am guessing that they are the only store and not a chain from some far off place.

The decor is one of old farming equipment that would have been used in Treasure Valley area 20 or 30 years ago. There are also pictures of farm equipment and old advertisement signs from days gone by. It is the kind of things my mother would say she used back on the farm during her childhood in Minnesota. The tables are picnic tables and high tables with bar stools. Not the most comfortable seating, but it fits in nicely.

The main mark against Cobby's is the lack of choices, as noted above. The speed is not a major problem if you use some time management and not arrive when there is a crowd.

So next time you want to go get a movie, and everyone else wants to clog their veins with grease, remember Cobby's is right next to Videoland and Domino's. That way the healthy food seekers and the grease lovers both can be happy and play nice together.

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# When hurricanes come, watch for rampant shoppers

No doubt you've been waiting to hear about my harrowing experiences during Hurricane Georges. The worst moment came when my body was being tossed around violently, attacked by savage, uncontrollable forces of terrifying power. This happened in the supermarket two days before Georges arrived.



Going to the supermarket is a tradition for us hurricane veterans in the Miami area. When we hear that a hurricane is coming, we calmly and efficiently implement our Hurricane Preparation Plan, which is: (1) Panic; and (2) Buy random stuff.

One thing we always buy is bleach. Even if we already have - and many of us do - 25 bottles of bleach at home, we buy more. We have no idea why; we never actually use it. Maybe we secretly believe that the hurricane is afraid of bleach. Or maybe Clorox hires actors to go to supermarkets, posing as hurricane veterans and loudly remarking, "After Hurricane Andrew, the thing that saved our lives was bleach!" Whatever the cause, there's always a desperate, shoving mob in the bleach aisle, and if you're lucky enough to actually get a bottle, you must guard your shopping cart with firearms (which, in Miami, are sold in the firearms aisle).

Once you have your bleach, you race frantically around the supermar-

ket buying a massive supply of Emergency Hurricane Food, defined as "food that you will never actually consume, even if the alternative is to eat your sofa." You

find yourself fighting with people for the last dust-covered can of Del Monte Lima Beans With Prune Parts in Hearty Clam Broth. During this phase, the supermarket employees often play pranks on the shoppers ("I put out a dozen cans labeled 'Sheep Vomit,' and they were gone in SECONDS!").

The supermarket frenzy is one of the most dangerous times in any hurricane. I was almost struck by an elderly woman pushing a shopping

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cart containing bleach and at least 7,000 pounds of cat food at a sustained velocity of 28 miles per hour (the National Weather Service defines this as a "Category 4 Shopper").

Finally I made it home, where I implemented the next phase of the

Hurricane Preparation Plan: watching the TV weather experts demonstrate, using meteorological science and state-of-the-art satellite and computer technology, that they have no idea what is going on. They stand in front of their giant, complex weather maps and say things like:

"... the path that the hurricane will take depends on whether this system here moves any closer to this system over here, which would cause this other system to become jealous of this system, which is secretly having an affair with this system, unaware that this system here is the illegitimate child of this system and the gardener, Raoul. On the other hand, if THIS system ..."

The irony was, I knew exactly where the hurricane was going. It had nothing to do with so-called "meteorology": It had to do with my hurricane shutters. Hurricane shutters are metal panels that many residents of hurricane zones keep in their garages under a protective blanket of dead spiders. These panels are scientifically engineered such that, if you fasten them correctly to all your windows, you will have long bleeding gashes on both hands. Also you will guarantee that the hurricane will not come. A hurricane can, using its eye, see whether you have your shutters up,



and if you do, it will go somewhere else, emitting powerful gusting chuckles.

Ordinarily, I would have had my shutters up, thereby keeping Georges away, but as it happens, this year I ordered new shutters (the edges of the old ones were getting dull). As Georges was forming, workmen (1) took away all my old shutters and (2) piled new shutters and hardware all

around my house. This presented Georges with a rare opportunity: Not only could it destroy my house; it could destroy my house by whacking it to pieces with my new hurricane shutters. So Georges aimed straight for my house. If the weather experts had known, they could have just said, "Hurricane Georges is currently at latitude X and longitude Y, and it is going to Dave Barry's house."

Fortunately, I happen to be a pretty handy "do-it-yourselfer," so rather than leave the new shutters lying on the ground, I was able, using my natural mechanical ability, to beg the workmen to put them up. So they did, and Georges immediately swerved away. (I sincerely apologize to the people it hit, but at that point, I was no longer steering.)

For the remainder of the hurricane, I watched the TV coverage, which consisted mainly of TV reporters in bright yellow rain slickers going into evacuation zones and asking the residents, in highly judgmental tones, why they did not evacuate. Just once, I wanted to hear a resident answer: "Hey, I'm here because I LIVE here. What's YOUR excuse, Hairspray Boy?"

Anyway, I'm glad hurricane season is almost over. And I decided that I'm not going to wait until the "last minute" to get ready for the next season. That's right: I have already bleached my shutters.

All kidding aside, if you want to help the many people who are still suffering because of Georges, you can send a contribution to the DISASTER RELIEF FUND, c/o the American National Red Cross at P.O. Box 37243, Washington, D.C., 20013.

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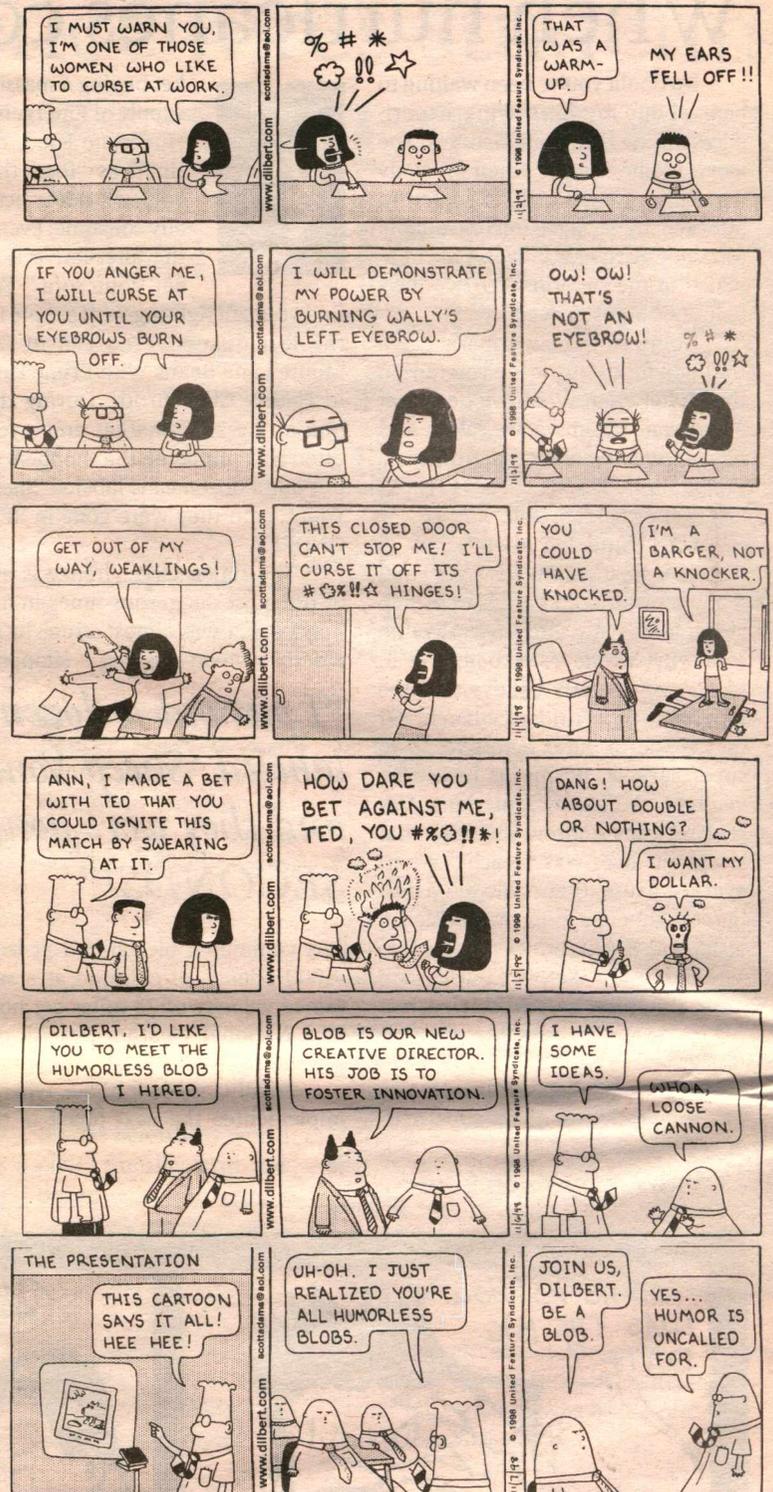
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Make out Spots**

10. During Chapel
9. Personal Vehicles  
(anywhere on campus)
8. Lisa Litsey's Apartment
7. Ceramics Room (Scene from  
Ghost reenacted)
6. Any room in Ford Hall
5. Staff Lounge (Downstairs  
Administration Building)
4. 1st Floor Mangum Hall
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