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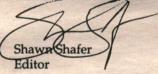
Column One

Week Five: I must confess a lapse of judgement on my part. I have willingly broken my contract with the college to not engage in entertainment that dishonors God. Saturday, I went to Mr. NNC; there I noticed a number of things that disturbed me-both intellectually and spiritually.

The pervasive sexual innuendo and the overwhelming acceptance by the audience (through their applause and whooping) described a student body debased of their moral standards. Homosexual overtones uttered volumes about the fear of the subject by the actors and audience alike. Travis á la shaving cream did not so nearly disturb me as much as a certain spotter or mannequin. Are we so far gone from the moral standards prescribed for us by our spiritual predecessors?

There exists the need, not to protect the not-so-innocent college student, but to maintain an atmosphere conducive to our spiritual growth. The Entertainment Evaluation Committee (EEC) is charged with this duty; in this instance, they failed.

Lastly, it is far easier to make a lewd joke than to create something truly original. An extraordinary effort is required of us every day as we strive to live above that line. That effort requires more than we have as individuals.



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Valentines Banquet: murder mystery

Saturday night will be a fun evening with murder and mayhem!

by Dustin Zimmerman **ASNNC** Community Relations

Once a year that "special," um...I mean, "precious," no not that . . . how about "joyous" (for those without a significant other maybe "worthless") holiday comes around. You know, that holiday where you go spend money on candy that makes your hibernation survival kit (gut) a

little larger, dress in that stupid red color that reminds all those that have ever worked at Target during the holiday season of a hell on earth, and is pretty much just pointless for all those that aren't "hooked up." Are you sensing a lack of the Valentine spirit here? Well, you would be if there wasn't something going on that weekend. Luckily for all those single folks, and definitely those that have someone on their arm, there will be a banquet during Valentine's weekend. So ... if you're brave enough and in the mood for a little murder and a whole lot of mayhem, this year's banquet is the perfect answer to your "I don't know what to do that weekend" dilemma. Tickets will be on sale this whole week

and the line is long to get them. In other words, get your date, get your friends and get your tickets fast!

This year you'll be treated to an exquisite Italian dinner served by your favorite Sodexho establishment. Dinner will be a buffet style so you can grab whatever it is you want and leave behind that which just doesn't appeal. And that's not all. While you and your favorite tablemates scarf on some serious homestyle Italian cooking you can try and win some cash and figure out who done it! Murder and Mayhem in Little Italy is absolutely guaranteed to put the Oregano (spice) back in your pasta. After all, the cast is witty, sophisticated and pretty much shameless. You'll be astonished

and mesmerized by the likes of Tara Misu (the sultry Norma Thompson), Rocco Scarfazzi ("the body" Dustin Zimmerman), Father Alfredo (the oh so inquiring Steve Roth), Mama Rosa (our famed April Supina), Angel Roni (the witty Missy Rasmussen), Claire Voyant (the thought-provoking Chandell Lighthill), Bo Jalais (the womanizing Chris Cowen) and Marco Roni (the boy turned man Josiah Nelson). Excited? You should be. All of these characters have astonishing secrets to hide and they all have a motive for the murder of ... Pepi Roni (the attractive, dead, identical twin brother of Rocco). Enough clues, get your tickets today. You don't want to be the next victim, do you?!!

Senate Notes

This week in Senate, the Ways and Means committee reported that they met to discuss the student fees policy and how that should apply to club funding.

President Field vetoed the senate bill which was for funding the Chemistry Club. Senate has 14 days to decide on rejection or acceptance of the veto.

Senator Potter made a motion that Senate move to Executive Session. Senator Johnson seconded. When regular session was resumed, the gallery was informed that the above mentioned senate bill was not passed. Clarification was made specifically toward the Chemistry Club, that Senate is not saying "no" to the possibility of the club receiving any funds. However, the purpose for rejecting the bill is to provide Senate time to write a policy and implement the policy. After the policy is set, the Senate fully encourages any club to return to Senate with a bill requesting funds, including the Chemistry Club.

Christi Tiel shines at pageant

Sophomore **Christi Tiel** wins the Miss **Boise** pageant.

by Andi Weissen Crusader Staff Writer

For sophomore Christi Tiel, college isn't her only full-time job. As the reigning Miss Boise, she is involved with committees, meetings, presentations and community activities in the role of Boise's Hostess. Add to that the hours spent in working out, researching her platform, attending meetings twice a week, taking voice lessons and spending quiet time with God, and it is no surprise that Tiel is always on the go.

As a speech communications major, Tiel has a good background for competition in pageants. However, she is a relative newcomer to the competitive pageant world. The Miss Boise pageant was, in fact, only her second pageant. Tiel placed as second runner-up in her first pageant, for Miss Meridian.

Tiel hopes to follow through all the way to the end, the Miss America pageant. As she said, "I would like to put Idaho on the map.'

One of the key elements in pageant competition is the contestant's platform. A platform is usually a statement of principles and ideas that can improve differ-



ent areas of community life. Tiel's platform advocates Character Education. She explained, "my slogan is: life's choices, a living compass." Her slogan urges people to bring character values and morals back into education and the communities. Tiel is concerned by the decline of values like integrity, responsibility and compassion in today's society. As part of her platform, she is currently developing a package to be presented to schools that would aid in the initiation and continuance of Character Education.

According to Tiel, one of the best things about pageant participation is the constant opportunity for Christian outreach. One of her best memories of the Miss Boise pageant was a quiet time backstage when she was able to lead a group of contestants in prayer. She also has a notebook with the names of all the contestants of the upcoming Miss Idaho pageant. As part of her daily routine and

will go far. Coming February 17: iner Fa

The Finkbeiner fast is coming on February 17, in memory of Kurt Finkbeiner, former ASNNC President, who was killed the night before graduation in a boating accident. To participate in the Finkbeiner fast, all you have to do is show up in Clyde's to write down your ID number and have soup and bread instead of a regular Marriot meal. Marriot will be donating money to a Nazarene missions site for every student who participates in the fast. We are competing with other schools to raise money for this fund,

so support your school and a worthy cause.

"I would like to put Idaho on the map...my slogan is: life's choices, a living compass." ~Christi Tiel

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prays for them individually.

Campus

ASNNC elections

Nominations for Executive **Council posi**tions start February 22; nine positions to be filled

by Shawn Blenker ASNNC Executive Vice President

Excitement and anxiety is nearly bursting from the seams for many of you, concerning the coming elections for ASNNC President, Executive Vice President and Social Vice President.

The other positions are allied for through the incoming president's office who holds brief interviews before the end of second term. I, and the rest of the Executive Council, would encourage any and all who are interested in one of the positions available for election or appointment to follow through and sign up.

Any of the current officers would be more than willing to go over the functions and responsibilities of holding an office to anyone who asks.

There are many advantages that go along with student government and being involved. However, if you would like to be involved in other ways besides one of the aforementioned elected positions, or an appointed position, feel free to talk with a student representative like Chris Field, anyone on his council, someone from your class council, or student development. Opportunities for involvement are plentiful.

Sign-ups for ASNNC President and Vice President will be posted on February 22 and will come down a week later. A mandatory meeting for candidates will be held on March 1 to discuss campaign procedures and what is to come in the days to follow.

On March 8 candidates will give their speeches to the student body in chapel and the rest of that day will be devoted to elections. This year, like last, vou can either vote in the student center or on the Internet. Good luck to all who take part and rock the vote.

News director orchestrates awareness of college

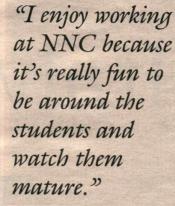
by Melissa Tennyson

Crusader News Campus Editor

Gil Craker, NNC's "Director of News and Information," is a fascinating guy! Not only is he an avid NY Yankees fan, but he also plays an important role on campus. His job involves keeping the area media informed of newsworthy items on campus, involving students, faculty and administration. He writes news releases for the press. He is also the editor of the Messenger, the NNC alumni magazine. He has also been helping the registrar and the dean format the college catalogue for this next year

Another one of his roles is to help with the NAIA tournament. He has helped with the tournament for the past seven years that it has been in Nampa. In helping with the NAIA tournament, he puts together the program and arranges practice sites for the teams all over the Treasure Valley.

Besides campus jobs, Craker is also President Elect of the Canyon Sunrise Rotary Club and chairman of the Nampa Planning



and Zoning Commission.

Craker has been working at NNC since 1986. He is an alumni as well. He graduated from NNC in 1963 with a business degree. Craker is a native to Idaho. He was born in Emmet and lived in Boise. His father was a Nazarene pastor. After graduating, Craker spent two years in the army. He then spent 21 years in the newspaper business in Illinois, Nebraska and Washington. After that he came to work for NNC. "I enjoy working at NNC because it's really fun to be around the students and watch them mature," he shared, "and the people here are great.'

Craker's wife Nancy works as a second grade teacher at Centennial Elementary. He has four kids, all grown, three of which graduated from NNC.



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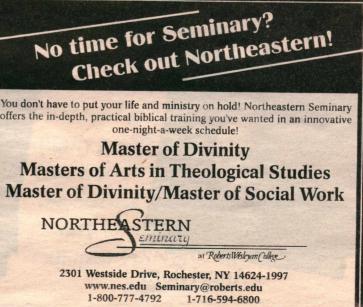
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Scot Mortimer wins Mr. NNC Pageant



Mr. NNC Participants strut their stuff in the "Wild Wild West" show on Saturday night. Freshman Scot Mortimer (far right) was crowned the new 1999 Mr. NNC.

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Campus

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Murder and Mayhem in Little Italy Saturday, February 13 7pm



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Marco Roni

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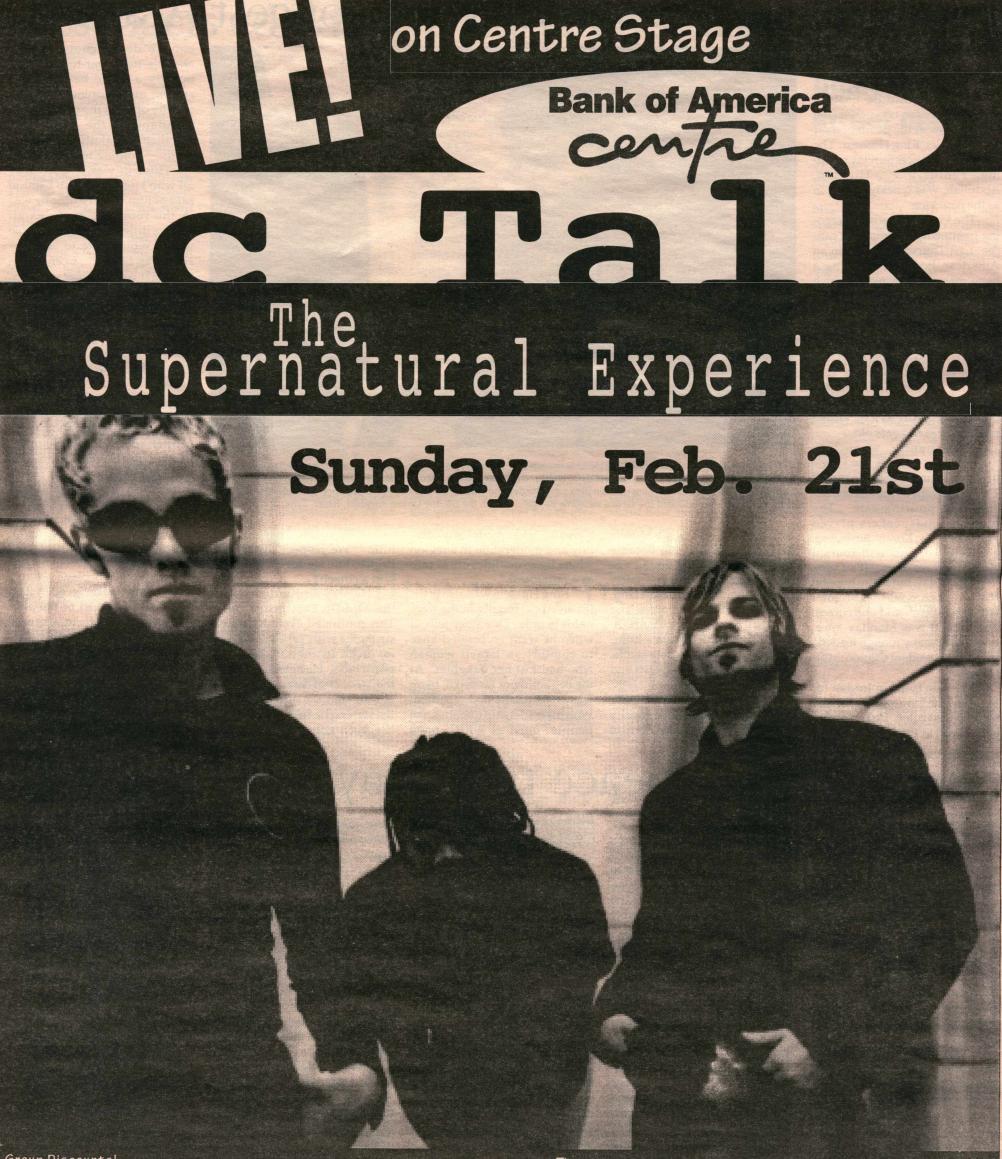
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World News

Jordan's King Hussein dies after longest Arab rule

by Rebecca Miller World News Staff Writer

JORDAN - The Middle Eastern country of Jordan is experiencing deep sorrow at the death of their beloved ruler, King Hussein. The king died of cancer Sunday morning, February 7. His son, Abdullah, was quickly sworn in as the new king.

The king had been undergoing treatment for lymphatic cancer. Last Thursday he was in an American hospital receiving a bone marrow transplant, which his body rejected. At his wish, he returned to his country that day. He was unconscious for two days. Internal organs such as his kidney and liver failed, but his heart and brain were still functioning. Late Saturday his blood pressure fell and his heart failed Sunday morning. He died at 11:43 a.m. Jordan time. He was 63 years old.

The country went into mourning as soon as the king's death was announced on national TV. They wept in the streets, despite the pouring rain. The mosque loudspeakers played verses from the Koran. Businesses were closed, and will remain closed for three days. "It's a very, very black day, but we're hopeful that the future will be brighter with Abdullah," said one citizen. The funeral was Monday afternoon, with many foreign leaders, including President Clinton, in attendance.

Hussein ruled in Jordan for 46 years, the longest time for any Middle East ruler. He was influential both in the fortunes of his



Shatiyah Jouwa, kisses a portrait of King Hussein in front of the King Hussein Medical City in Amman, Jordan Saturday. Jordanians spent Saturday in a kind of somber suspense, unable to move forward to officially morun their king or prepare for his funeral as he clung to life. King Hussein died early Sunday and was buried Monday in the presence of thousands. Scores of foreign dignitaries attended the service including delegations from the US, the United Kingdom, Israel, Syria, and the CIS.

own country, and in the Middle East peace talks. He became king in 1952, at the young age of 17 when Jordan was a fairly new nation. It was a desert land, with few natural resources, and beset by problems with neighbors. Through Hussein's influence, the country became stable, with many modern benefits and greater democratization. NBC producer Charlene Gubash said that Hussein's political dexterity has "turned the Hashemite Kingdom into a model of modernity and moderation in a region where those qualities are as rare as a rain forest."

King Hussein was also often involved personally in the lives of his people. One story tells of when he went on bended knee to comfort an Israeli woman who had lost her daughter. At the beginning of his reign, there was some unrest and rebellion. With his leadership qualities, the people, most of which have grown up under his reign, love him. "We respect the Crown Prince, but we love the King," said a citizen.

He was also influential in the Middle East peace talks. This continued even during his struggles with cancer. He was involved in the October 1998 peace talks. He helped convince the leaders of Israel and Palestine to sign the agreement. At the signing he told them, "There has been enough destruction, enough death, enough waste and it's time that together we occupy a place beyond ourselves, our peoples, which is worthy of them the sons, the descendants of the children of Abraham — Palestinians and Israelis — coming together."

Hussein was respected by all who knew him. Bill Clinton said of him, "Every time he was in the room, he made us all come a little closer to the people we all would like to see ourselves as being." Even countries that were former enemies, such as Israel, gave their condolences. Israeli President Ezer Weizman, whose country had been at war with Jordan until 1994, described Hussein as "a brave soldier who fought for peace."

The new king, Hussein's eldest son, Abdullah, was sworn in Sunday at a ceremony at the capital before the Parliament. Interestingly, Abdullah was promoted to the role of crown prince only two weeks earlier, taking the place of Hussein's brother. Thirty-seven year old Abdullah was a major-general, leading a force that protected the royal family. Most of his political views and plans are unknown, but it is believed that he will continue most of the policies of his father. In a speech following the ceremony, he declared that "We all believe in God and the soul of King Hussein ... he will not disappear from our souls. We will maintain the legacy of King Hussein in building our kingdom."

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Serb/Albanian peace talks may be in jeopardy

by Mindy Oldenkamp World News Staff Writer

FRANCE - Peace talks between the warring Serbians and ethnic Albanians began on Saturday, February 6th, but not under the easiest of conditions.

French President Jacques Chirac addressed the delegates who made it to the opening of the peace conference, and asked once again for peace to return to the war-torn countries in southeastern Europe.

"We will not allow the cycle of violence to slowly but surely threaten the stability of peace in all of southeastern Europe. We want peace on our continent," Chirac stated. However, the peace conference was already in jeopardy of failure even as Chirac spoke his opening words.

Earlier the evening before, Serbian forces had refused to allow three ethnic Albanian guerrillas to depart with Kosovan delegates, claiming that the guerrillas held no valid passports, and were therefore not to allowed to travel.

In a surprising show of unity and support, the remaining ethnic Albanian delegates, who had been allowed to board the French military jet bound for the Kosovo Peace Talks in France, refused to travel without the remainder of their delegation.

The Serbs stated that the guerrillas were members of the Kosovan Liberation Army, and were not to be allowed at the conference. Eventually, the KLA members were allowed to depart under the pretense that they were "We will never negotiate with the terrorists." ~Ratko Markovic

negotiators, and what would result in a three-hour delay for the conference was ended.

Vojislav Zevkovic, one of the senior Serb delegates, stated that all negotiators would be allowed to leave and attend the conference in Paris, but Zevokovic also stated that, "if the KLA shows up at the plenary session, we (Serb representatives) won't attend."

The refusal of the Serbian

forces to allow the members of the ethnic Albanians to depart for the peace conference resulted in a flurry of near-panicked diplomatic activity from both European and U.S. officials as a hurried attempt was made to keep the peace talks from collapsing completely before they were even underway.

To add to the already uneasy feeling of tension and conflict surrounding the conference, Kosovan Albanian rebels voiced opposition to the guerrillas participating in the peace talks and threatened not to come.

Serbian delegation head, Ratko Markovic, boldly stated, "We will never negotiate with the terrorists," and added to the already strong animosity among delegates.

Finally, under strong pressure

from western diplomats, the Serbs removed last-minute roadblocks to the conference outside Paris, and France sent military planes to protect and transport the remaining delegates yet to arrive.

The United States and the five European allies had hoped to include all members of the warring factions in the peace talks, but all attempts were met with almost violent opposition.

William Walker of the U.S. delegation was greatly shocked at the refusal to negotiate with the rebels. "I would say they are missing the point of what negotiations are." Despite all setbacks, Chirac continued to push for peace, stating, "I urge you to allow the forces of life to triumph over the forces of evil. The world is watching you and waiting."

World News

Passengers could have less airline hassle **Police shoot** and kill an by Jeremy Smith done is created an environment chase to get their money back. Some believe passenger ser-

World News Staff Writer

Oversold flights, frequent flier miles that are hard to redeem and horror stories about passengers being trapped on planes are all troubles fueling a wave of complaints about the airline industry. They've also caused a congressional response and some sharp criticism.

Senators Ron Wyden, Democrat from Oregon, and John McCain, Republican from Arizona, have proposed a new innovative legislation for the airline industry in the form of a Passenger Bill of Rights. If passed, it would become federal law and would require airlines to:

-Admit in advance if a flight is overbooked.

-Admit when flights are canceled to save money, rather than disguising the cancellation as a mechanical problem.

-Be honest with frequent fliers about the limited number of seats really available.

-Give passengers who purchase non-refundable tickets a two-day grace period after pur-

The proposed legislation comes after the mess in snowy Detroit this past month when passengers were trapped up to nine hours in planes on the runway. It also comes after an announcement Tuesday by the U.S. Department of Transportation that travelers' complaints rose 25 percent in 1998 while most airlines were running profitably.

"It's time now to make sure that service for the passengers counts as well as profitability for the airlines," Senator Wyden said.

All the rules now state is that airlines must pay you if you're bumped off an oversold flight, or if they lose your bag. But that's it. There is nothing about how long you can be kept in a plane waiting on the runway. And there is nothing stating airlines must pay for a hotel room due to a canceled flight.

"Not all airlines, but a number of them have replaced customer service with something they call crowd control. The idea is to gouge the passenger for as much as you can get," said airline industry analyst Michael Boyd.

vice is not an issue for the government, and should be left to the airlines and market forces. Meanwhile, the airlines themselves say passengers are not so unsatisfied with the service that they have been receiving.

"We did some polling last night, which was just by coincidence, which shows that the American people, 75 percent of the American people, look at the airlines favorably. That's a very high percentage and it's been consistently high over the last several years," said industry spokesman David Fuscus.

Robert Jarvis, a law professor and author of Travel Law: Cases and Materials, a textbook on passenger problems, said airlines can afford to be rough with passengers because competition has fallen since the industry was deregulated in 1978. He said that's partly to blame for the increase in stories about unruly passengers.

'You're packing more people into planes, you're giving them less service and what you're giving them is not very friendly service," Jarvis said. "What you've for unruly behavior."

United has been the bluntest among the major carriers in admitting current problems. Its ads no longer brag about whisking customers through the "friendly skies," but rather make the more modest claim that United's service is "rising."

That means trying to improve on-time performance by giving extra time between connecting flights. It also means making passengers more comfortable with new planes, cushier seats and individual video screens

'We do try to be responsive to the traveling public," said United spokesman Joe Hopkins. "We are a transportation business, but we're also a service business. And we try to focus on that with all our employees."

With the number of air travelers expected to swell from 600 million today to one billion by the year 2008, airlines will certainly have to be more cautious about how they treat their passengers, even if they are not required to by federal law.

unarmed street peddler

by Jeremy Smith World News Staff Writer

NEW YORK, NY - An unarmed street peddler with no criminal record was shot and killed by four officers who were searching for a serial rapist.

Amadou "Ahmed" Diallo, a 22-year-old immigrant from West Africa, was killed early Thursday in the lobby of the building where he shared a small apartment with two roommates. The officers fired a total of 41 shots.

Diallo, who had no criminal record, was unarmed, said a police source, speaking on condition of anonymity. Diallo's wallet and a beeper were found nearby.

There were no civilian witnesses and the officers involved have yet to be interviewed by investigators as requested by the Bronx District Attorney's office. The office would not comment on the case.

Diallo's uncle, Mamadou Diallo, described the Guinea native as "a very honest guy, a religious guy" who sold hats, clothing and other items on the street.

"They shoot somebody 30, 40 times," said the uncle. "They tell me this is probably [a] police mistake."

Diallo died of multiple gunshot wounds to the torso, said Ellen Borakove, spokeswoman for the medical examiner's office. The medical examiner was still determining how many bullets hit Diallo and the direction they were fired from.

The four plainclothes officers were investigating a serial rapist in the area, but it was not known if they believed Diallo to be a suspect.

'We don't know what happened, because we haven't spoken to them, but it looks like one guy panicked and the rest followed suit," The New York Times quoted an unidentified police official as saying.

Three of the four officers, all assigned to the 43rd Precinct in the Bronx, have been involved in prior shooting incidents. No criminal charges were brought up in the two cases, the third case is still under investigation.

Strokes may decline with new drug

by Jeremy Smith World News Staff Writer

NASHVILLE, TN - Doctors have now discovered that they can reverse massive strokes up to six hours after the start of symptoms by squirting a new clot-dissolving medicine directly into the brain.

The new approach offers better treatment for the worst strokes and a doubling of the three-hour time-frame in which stroke victims now have to get help before they suffer permanent brain damage.

Doctors tested the medicine, called prourokinase, on people who suffered a particularly serious form of the disease that accounts for about one-third of the 600,000 strokes treated in the United States annually.

"If you have a massive stroke, this gives you the best chance of a decent outcome," stated Dr. Steven R. Levine of Detroit Medical Cen-

Until two years ago, strokes were totally unable to be treated in the hours immediately after they occurred. Then researchers-discovered that TPA, or tissue plasminogen activator, which is now used in treating heart attacks, could also dissolve the blood clots that cause most strokes

"This will be the second major revolution in stroke treatment in this decade." ~Dr Randall Higashida

Unfortunately research suggested that TPA can help only if given within three hours of the start of symptoms such as numbness and difficulty talking, and brain scans are necessary to make sure the stroke results from a clot. However, there is still about a six percent chance that TPA will cause bleeding that makes the stroke worse.

Due to this possibly deadly reaction, TPA is given to only about five percent of stroke victims.

The results of the prourokinase study, led by Dr. Anthony J. Furlan of the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, were released at a stroke conference sponsored by the American Heart Association. The study was financed by

Abbott Laboratories, which is currently developing the drug.

One way in which prourokinase may be more effective is that it is released via a catheter and threaded through an artery, directly into the brain. TPA is injected into a vein and must travel throughout the body.

At 51 hospitals in the United States and Canada, 180 patients who suffered blockages of the brain's middle cerebral artery were given either prourokinase or a blood thinner called heparin three to six hours after symptoms started.

After three months of treatment, the researchers found that 40 percent of the patients getting prourokinase had little or no disability resulting from their strokes, compared with 25 percent receiving heparin. Twenty-four percent of the prourokinase patients died, as did 27 percent in the comparison group.

This will be the second major revolution in stroke treatment in this decade," predicted Dr. Randall Higashida of the University of California, San Francisco.

Furlan hopes prourokinase will be approved by the Food and Drug Administration for routine use by early next year. He had no estimate as to how much it will cost.

Another study found that TPA may do more harm than good when it is given more than three hours after the start of symptoms, as experts say it is in about 40 percent of cases where it's used.

In a study of 597 patients, researchers gave some TPA and others dummy shots three to six hours after the start of strokes. Those getting TPA were more likely to suffer dangerous hemorrhaging in the brain, said Dr. Wayne Clark of Oregon Health Sciences Center. "After three hours, intravenous TPA should not be used for a stroke," Clark said.

Another approach is anchrod, a blood thinner derived from pit viper venom that was tested on 500 stroke victims. Treatment began within three hours of the start of symptoms and continued for three to five days. Forty-two percent of the treated patients had substantial recovery, compared with 34 percent getting dummy injections.

Study director Dr. David Sherman of the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio said it's unclear how the drug compares to TPA, but it may be useful after TPA's three-hour cuttoff.

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Albertson College of Idaho: friend or foe?

by Kara Lyons Crusader News Staff Writer

The rivalry between NNC and Albertson College of Idaho is on-going and raises a lot of excitement at athletic competitions. Though Albertson is just down the road, it seems that no one really knows much about the school.

What's Albertson really like? Is it bigger than NNC? How is it different? In what ways is it the same? What programs are offered there? What is their campus life like? What are some of their unique traditions and strengths?

To demonstrate NNC students' lack of information about our "rival school," we asked around to see how much was really known. When asked about Albertson's enrollment, students had varying opinions as to how many students attended there. The most common answers were either, "I don't know," or, "I have no idea." Most were willing to make a guess

Several NNC students declared that the number of students at Albertson had to be more than that at NNC. Sara Keller and Megan Watkins, freshmen, guessed at an enrollment of 2,000. Dustin Zimmerman, senior, thought that it might be around 1,500

Shelley Bowes, sophomore, said, "I know they're bigger than we are, so maybe they have 1,200 students."

Becky Brudnok, freshman, thought that 1,000 sounded a reasonable number of students at Albertson. Craig Craker, freshman, picked 978 as his guess. Heather Olson, senior, estimated that the number was around 700 to 800.

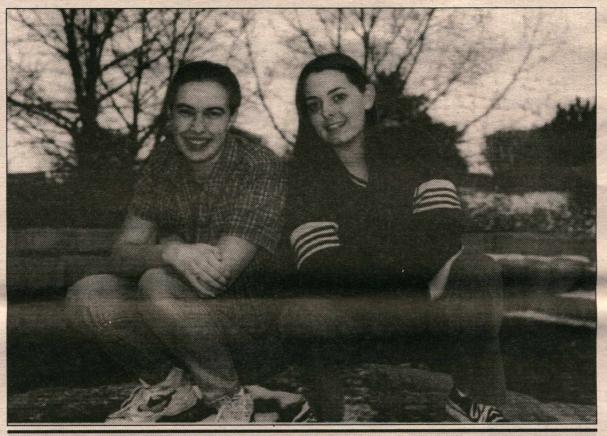
Along with the lack of knowledge about Albertson's number of

NNC students, generally have a lot of misconceptions about the school as a whole. In order to clear these up, we made a visit to the campus, interviewed Albertson students, and reviewed informational literature. What we discovered was sometimes surprising and often similar to what College of Idaho. It has a beautiful campus, stately buildings and is an impressive-looking place. Everything looks well-kept and much of it appears to be brand new (many of the buildings have been built within the last decade). They have a large, working fountain which adds an air of elegance to the front of the Fine Arts build-Near the Student Center is ing.

leges since 1922.

Albertson is the oldest fouryear college in the state. It continues to educate students in the classic liberal arts and sciences tradition

Today, Albertson is dedicated to continuing the social, religious and economic values that have been handed down as America's heritage, through the free commu-



"I love it. I like having a small school." Christa Inzer "If you want to get involved, you can." Laura Patrick

we experience at NNC.

Albertson College of Idaho is a "private, liberal arts institution . . home to about 700 under-

graduate students and is the state's oldest four-year institution of higher learning."

In the middle of the town of Caldwell, Idaho, sits Albertson

an outdoor ampitheatre, with columns and stone benches which give an appearance of classical Greece

Albertson's mission, as stated in the 1998-2000 Catalog, is to "provide an excellent, individualized liberal arts education that prepares students for the future by emphasizing the values and standards of judgement required for lifelong learning, personal development and community leadership." Albertson College of Idaho was founded as The College of Idaho in 1891 as a Presbyterian school. It was placed under the leadership or Rev. William Judson Boone, who served as president for 45 years.

In 1893, it was incorporated under the laws of the State of Idaho and its management was placed in the hands of the self-perpetuating Board of Trustees. It has been accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colnication of knowledge, goods and personal perspectives. According to its catalog, Albertson "continues to value and be committed to the biblical faith of its founders."

Because it does not tolerate any discrimination against anyone in any way, the college's courses in religion are nonsectarian. The setting those at Albertson want to create is one in which "everyone is given the opportunity to respond in freedom to the biblical command to love others as oneself.

Albertson makes diligent efforts to make sure that no students are overlooked or ignored. By maintaining a maximum 11 to 1 student-faculty ratio, they try to bring college education to a personal level.

Albertson's school year consists of a fall semester, a winter term and a spring semester. The fall and spring semesters are 13 weeks long each. The winter term lasts six weeks.

The winter term is intended to be extremely creative and to provide opportunities for students to travel, specialize in areas of study, concentrate on specific research, or participate in off-campus internships. In the past few years, the winter term has been a time for faculty-led trips to Australia, Mexico, Israel, Hawaii and England.

Thirty majors are offered at Albertson College of Idaho and awards degrees in bachelor of arts and bachelor of science. 93% of Albertson's faculty hold the highest attainable degree in their field.

Financial aid and awarding scholarships are important at Albertson. They have an extensive Honors Scholarship program and more than 90% of students qualify for consideration for scholarships and grant aid.

Most of this information can be easily found by getting ahold of an Albertson College viewbook or catalog. But, in order to find out what students really feel about Albertson, we made a trip to the campus to see if we could speak to some students directly. After all, who knows better the strengths and weaknesses of a college than the students?

Arriving on Albertson's campus, we were immediately impressed by the modern buildings and the neat campus. Though it was cold and a Friday afternoon, we were surprised at how few students we actually saw. The dorms were quiet and the sidewalks bare

Receiving directions from a secretary in the admissions building, we set out toward the Student Union Building, or SUB, as it is commonly referred to. There were about five students making use of the pool/lounge room in this large, beautiful building.

A small group of girls was sitting at some tables. Greeting them and explaining our reason for being there, we were welcomed immediately. (Unlike the common misconception that no student at Albertson can be nice, these were!) We began to ask the two girls, who were students, what they thought about their college.

Christa Inzer, a freshman Biology major from Meridian, Idaho, was the first to talk to us about her experiences so far at Albertson. When asked if she enjoyed her school, Inzer said empatically, "I love it. I like having a small school. There's an excellent pre-med department and



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a lot of good scholarships available."

life, Inzer said that it was pretty active. "There's always something to do on our floor. Someone is always

willing to do something." For entertainment on campus, there are movies in the theatre downstairs in the SUB. So

far this year, they have had a comedian come and have held bonfires. Laura

Patrick, a student from Spokane, Washington, also a freshman biology major, said that it is pretty easy to get involved in campus activities. "If you want to get involved, you

can.

Both she

know of" Josh Samuels

and Inzer are

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The Outdoor

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Inzer decide that Albertson was the college for her, she replied, "A

fun trip and named it as their fa- law is over 90%.) She also commented that the student-faculty ratio was an important part of her decision. "The profs would talk to you about any questions or con-cerns you had, " Inzer said.

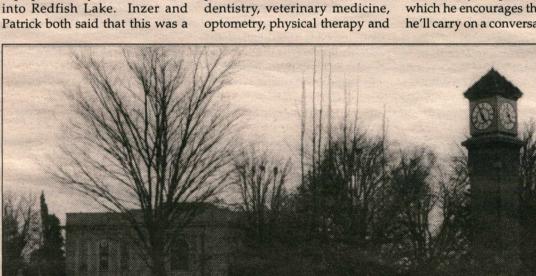
Everv college has some unique traditions and funny activities that go on. We asked Inzer and Patrick what some traditions at Albertson were that would be different than other colleges. mentioned a statue that stands outside one of the buildings. Every time that there is an event campus, such as a beach party or a toga party, the statue gets dressed up. It has worn swimming trunks, a toga, and other fes-Several students mentioned a famous

campus location as Berger's bench. This is a bench an

Albertson's history professor, Professor Howard Berger, sits for much of the day, talking to students. He will greet passersby and if they stop to say hello, which he encourages them to do, he'll carry on a conversation with

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professional schools for medicine,



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A comparative look at AC of I and NNC's academic facts

Albertson College of Idaho	Northwest Nazarene College	
Full Time faculty: 60	Full Time Faculty: 79	
Student/Faculty ratio: 10 to 1	Student/Faculty Ratio: 15 to 1	
Degrees offered: 30	Degrees Offered: 42	
Enrollment: 700	Enrollment: 1200	
Geographic Distribution: 73%, Idaho 21%, other states 6%, international	Geographic Distribution: 32 states represented 8 countries represented Residence Halls: 8	
Residence Halls: 5 Over 50% on-campus	Over 70% on-campus	
Athletics:	Athletics: Men's and Women's	
Men's and Women's	Basketball	
Basketball	Soccer	
Soccer	Cross Country	
Golf	Track	
Tennis	Tennis	
Skiing	Men's Baseball	
Men's Baseball	Women's Volleyball	

them. This has been going on for years and is nearly a legendary thing among students.

Later, in the dining hall, we asked Josh Samuels, a sophomore biology major, the same question. He told us about the "Miss Simplot Competition." This entertaining pageant takes place during Homecoming and involves guys dressing up as women. "Guys in dresses, that sort of thing," Samuels summarized.

Women's Volleyball

Asked about drinking among Albertson students, Samuels answered, "Drinking doesn't go on any more here than at any other school. It happens. But it depends on an individual's desire. If someone wants to get drunk, they can." Samuels said that he didn't drink, but admitted that "a lot of people do."

Knowing some obvious differences between a liberal arts college with a denominational attachment, like NNC, and one without, Albertson, we asked Samuels if he would ever consider going to a religiously affiliated college. He answered that, honestly, he wouldn't. "I'm not religious, but I don't do anything bad anyway," he stated.

Finally, we decided to face the topic we had all been wondering about. What do Albertson students think about the rivalry between our two colleges? Surprisingly enough, very little.

Inzer commented,"I've never been really into rivalry. It's there, guess, but it's more like a joke. Maybe if we were more athletic or in a sport, rivalry would seem bigger. But I think that only a few people take it seriously. It's stupid." Patrick nodded in agreement

On this topic, Samuels said, "It's not a really fierce rivalry that I know of."

Although most Albertson students would describe NNC as the sports rival college in the next town over, not many that we spoke to held strong opinionsabout our college. They seemed at ease at their college and saw little reason for a rivalry.

Albertson College of Idaho is a good, nationally recognized college. Although there is always room for friendly competition, many of our misconceptions and prejudices about this college need to be discarded. Despite our differences, we have many things in common. Instead of remainingignorant enemies, we should become accepting neighbors and work together to accomplish valuable goals for our community.



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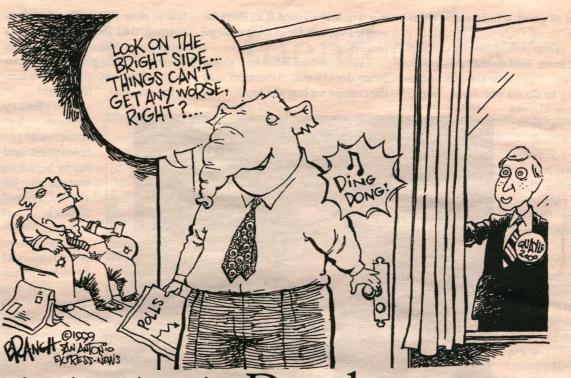
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The claim that Christianity is Dead-part two

by Andrew Yoder

Crusader News Opinions Writer

Last week, we focused our attention on Soren Kierkegaard's conviction that the Christianity of his day was no longer the Christianity of the New Testament, and his concern that "when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on Earth?" My question has been, is New Testament Christianity in the process of dying out? In order to address that question we have looked at two of the four ways in which I believe Christianity is mislabeled as things that are anti-Christian. First, we discovered how moralism hardens the heart into religiosity. Second, we saw how sanctified exclusiveism isolates the sinner and creates a chasm between the God of love and those in need. Now, I would like to discuss two other ways in which New Testament Christianity is misunderstood, and then affirm what I believe it truly

means to be a Christ-ian.

3. Christianity misconceived as asceticism. Asceticism was an early church (1st century) movement that believed self-denial (denial of food, clothing, shelter, social interaction and extreme self-depreciation) was the means of achieving the highest level of spiritual fulfillment. It is sad that today, I believe we are experiencing a wave of neo-asceticism in many Churches today. Somewhere along the line we decided that certain types of music, art, dancing, clothing, self-expression, and individuality were inherently evil and to be condemned. True Christianity was equated (at least by the outsider) with misery, merely suffering through this terrible, evil life until finally rescued to "heaven" by death. What a sad tragedy! It is quite evident that Jesus Christ came that we might live right now, and have that life even more abundantly! On this subject, our own Dr. Lodahl writes the following in his book, The

Story of God: "The created order, as it proceeds from God's creative hand, is to be affirmed and celebrated. There is an eminently proper biblical sensuality that invites us to enjoy this world... The world of senses is a world of delight, a world that is "very good" in the Creator's eyes." How much more attractive must this concept be to the non-Christian. Becoming a Christian doesn't mean a person has to hate living after all!

4. Christianity misconceived as fideism. It is my conviction that the most untrue statement we can make as Christians is to say, "Well I do not have the answers, I just take that on faith." One of the biggest hindrances to the thinking non-Christian is that the non-Christian understands why he is not a Christian better than the Christian understands why he is one! To personally accept, or to expect non-Christians to accept unreasonable claims on what we call faith is yet another tragedy. Irrational faith is no faith at all!

What many Christians call faith is actually fideism. According to Daniel Migliore in his book, Faith Seeking Understanding, "[Christian faith] is no satchelful of ready made answers to the deepest questions of life. Christian faith invariably prompts questions True faith must be distinguished from fideism. Fideism says we reach a point where we must stop our inquiry and simply believe. Faith keeps on seeking and seeking." The permission to ask questions and to have a faith that is "seeking understanding" is much more palatable to the non-Christian, and much more in line with New Testament Christianity.

In this article, we have seen numerous ways in which the Christianity that is often expressed today is not the Christianity of the New Testament. However, in the practical realm each of us has the power to invest in and make known true New Testament Christianity. New Testament Christianity can be expressed in four alternative ways. First, it is not defined by moralism, but by relationship to God and creation. Second, it is not defined by sanctified exclusiveism, but by "social holiness." Third, it is not defined by asceticism, but by a total engagement of every aspect of living life to its fullest! And finally, New Testament Christianity is not defined by fideism, but by the strenuous inquiry of "faith seeking understanding."

Is Christianity (the Christianity of the New Testament) dead? Perhaps answering "yes" is too strong a claim—then again, perhaps it is not. But consider this: does a relational, socially holy, Christian experience that rigorously affirms the beauty of living and dramatically exhibits faith seeking understanding actually exist today? This is a question that only you can answer. "When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Your Turn

Random answers from random people on random issues

If you could be a type of food from Marriott, what would it be and why?



Lynette BrownFreshmanElem. Ed.La Junta, CO

"Cookies, because they're the ones that taste good."



Andy Nilson Freshman Bus. Marketing Seattle, WA

"The chocolate chip cookies that are really chewy because everyone likes them, and you can't turn them down."



Scot Mortimer Freshman Graphic Des. Richland, WA

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Payback makes you wish you had your money back

Boredom struck like a hammer on toes yesterday and so Robin and I decided to go see a movie. We had seen plenty of advertisements for Mel Gibson's movie Payback and decided we had better see it. So to the theater we went. Unfortunately, when I walked out of the theater, I had to admit that a preview for Keanu Reeves' next movie was my favorite part of the experience

The slogan for Payback was "Get ready to root for the bad guy" and a bad guy Mel was. This movie was a depressing gun fest where EVERY SINGLE character was basically evil except for Mel's girlfriend, who was a prostitute. That is one interesting thing about this flick. Every character in the story was one of three things: a prostitute, a crook, or a crooked law enforcement officer. Kris Kristofferson, James Coburn, Debra Unger and a couple of other faces that I recognized



backed Mel up, but that didn't help the fact that every scene basically contained Mel beating someone and then shooting them. That fact, and the scenes of sadistic sexual humor (funny torture), definitely turned me OFF. I think the only reason people watch this movie and don't get up and leave is because the storytellers chose to Mel stole people's walmake everything 'funny' and also because of Mel Gibson, who most people appreciate for his talents as an actor.

The story behind this movie is that Mel is a crook who steals some money, and then a fellow crook shoots him and takes Mel's cut of the cash. When Mel finds that his crook buddy uses the money to buy his way into a mob, he then takes on the mob. It was completely unrealistic. One guy takes on a huge crime syndicate that is not responsible for doing anything to him.

I guess when it comes down to it there were two reasons that I did not like this movie. The first reason I didn't care for it was the values in the flick were the exact opposite of mine. I would look at Mel Gibson as he was about to shoot someone and I would say, "Don't do it!" and then BOOM. If it wasn't a Magnum induced heart removal, then Mel made brain spaghetti.

lets and used their money and credit cards in order to survive. One of the supporting roles was a sadistic prostitute in skimpy leather suits who liked using a whip and other instruments of torture in order to satisfy her sick sexual tendencies. There was also a lot of drug use which leads to the other problem I had with the movie.

Every scene in this movie contained someone smoking. I believe that Philip Morris paid

the makers of this film a lot of money. It is no wonder that so many young people think smoking is cool. All of the movie tough guys do it. This movie made me realize how sick of it I am. It baffles me as to how something so poisonous can be considered studly.

Lately, I have noticed how



pessimistic I have been. So I will say one positive thing about the movie. There was a real cool scene where Mel Gibson ripped the nose ring out of a drug pusher's nose.

However, in regards to the movie as a whole, I paid \$4.50 to see it, and I wouldn't mind my pay back.

El Rinconcito offers good food and nice atmosphere

Mexican restaurants aren't exactly a delicacy in Nampa, but a good Mexican restaurant is. If you're a fan of Mexican food, and you enjoy dining out, you should take a look at the El Rinconcito located at 824 First St. South in Nampa next to the Rollerdrome.

El Rinconcito doesn't look like much from the road. I've

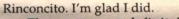
several times in the last of couple months and didn't take notice of it until last week. As a matter of fact, I'm not sure how long it's been in business, but its low-key atmosphere attracted me. El

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real busy road, and the restaurant itself is in an old, slightly run-down stucco building. When I was thinking about a restaurant review to do, I was considering either this place or the very prestigious Long Juicy Hamburgers. After several seconds of excruciating stress, I chose the El



The restaurant definitely had a Mexican theme. The first thing I noticed when I walked in were the sombreros and Spanish ornaments which were hanging on all of the walls. This was nice. Sometimes you walk into a restaurant which has decorations that totally contradict the theme.

For instance, I was at a Chinese restau-

rant once that Elvis had memorabilia everywhere. Here I was eating my sweet and sour chicken and tapping my foot to "Jailhouse Rock." That's just not right. The Rinconcito had

quite elaborate

decorations which were both attractive and appropriate.

When we walked into the dining area, we weren't sure if we were supposed to wait for the waitress to seat us or if we were to seat ourselves. After a few awkward moments of standing there waiting and feeling dumb, we grabbed the waitress' attention. She informed us to sit wherever we wanted to

In the corner of the main dining room, there was a dance floor and a stage for a band. I'm guessing the stage was used for weekends only because on Sunday night there wasn't a soul on the dance floor. Just because there wasn't a live band didn't mean that there wasn't music, how-

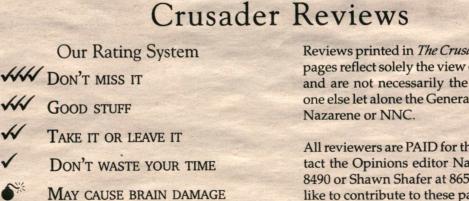
When I sat down, it suddenly became apparent that the mariachi music playing on the PA system was very loud. Actually, it was too loud. This was the only complaint I had about the restaurant. You couldn't always hear what you were saying because there would be some accordion solo screeching in the background. A little background music is nice, but I can only take so many decibels of Pablo and the Pussycats before I get annoyed.

The menus were quite elaborate. Lack of choices wasn't a problem. They had the basics (tacos, burritos, enchiladas, etc.) as well as many other meals to choose from. The prices of the meals varied, but the average prices for a combo meal was around \$7.50. This wasn't a bad price at all considering the portions were pretty generous. I walked out feeling a little more than full, which is always good. You never want to walk out of a restaurant still feeling hungry. That's the easiest way to tell if a restaurant is lousy. The El Rinconcito, on the other hand, made sure you were full.

I was surprised at the speed of the service. We had our meals within ten minutes of ordering. Although it wasn't busy, it was still fast

The food itself was very good. It wasn't the best Mexican food I've ever had, but it was definitely good. I didn't find myself reaching for the salt and pepper shakers at any time so that was good. I ordered a Colorado burrito combo meal. The burrito was filled with plenty of beef, and the beans and rice didn't have that cardboard taste that some restaurants give their beans and rice side orders.

Overall the meal was very enjoyable. The atmosphere was nice, tables were clean, portions were big, prices were small and best of all, the food was good. It may not be best Mexican restaurant this side of the Rio Grande, but it is definitely one of the best in the Nampa area.



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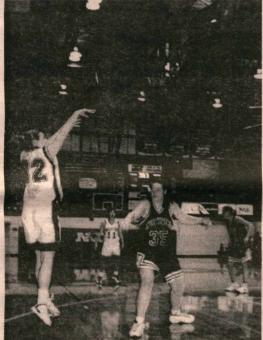
Two home wins give an easy weekend 'Saders

Smooth wins leave ladies undefeated in conference

by Hattie James

Crusaders News Staff Writer

Once again, this past weekend ended in two home wins for the NNC Lady Crusader basketball team. Friday night they played Northwest College and Saturday, as the preface to Mr.



NNC, the ladies played Evergreen State College. The Lady Crusaders are now 23-3, 8-0 in conference

Friday night proved to be an easy game for the Lady 'Saders. The Northwest Eagles never had a chance as senior post Staci Wilson led NNC with 22 points, to an 84-49 win. Mary Glaze was second in scoring with ten points. Sophomore guard Chelsey Hall followed Glaze with nine points.

NNC's rebounds neared 60 Friday night, with Wilson pulling down 14 of the team's 59. Northwest College only pulled down 29 rebounds Friday night.

Saturday night also proved easy for the NNC women. They beat the Evergreen State **College** Geoducks 77-45. Although both teams played well, it was obvious early on that Evergreen State was far outmatched by the Crusaders. Saturday's

game saw S. Kirk leading the 'Saders with 14 points. Wilson followed with 13, A. Kirk with 12 and Heather Doncaster with 11. The Ladies

Sophomore Mary Glaze shots for two in Friday's game, where she had ten points.

pulled down 44 rebounds, led by A. Kirk Evergreen with 8. grabbed only 22

Coach Roger Schmidt was happy with the way the ladies grabbed their rebounds, pulling down a total of 103 in two games, as opposed to the combined effort of both of their opponents: 51. Along with all the rebounds, every healthy player got at least ten minutes this weekend.

Free throws were a big factor for the Lady 'Saders this weekend. The team shot 79 percent from the line.

The weekend was not without it's causalties. Kasha Lawrence tweaked her knee on Friday night. She will be out about a week, but should return to see the end of the sea-

Sophomore Rachelle Geinger had to he taken out of Saturday's game after hte wind having

knocked out of her midway through the first half. She was able to return to the game after the half.

It is encouraging to see how well the team works together, in spite their newness to each other

Freshman Amber Hellburg goes for the basket on Saturday against Evergreen. and their being a relatively young team. A trip to Sioux City is defininately in the works for these Crusaders

Fans are encouraged to go to the ladies' next home game which will be on February 16 against

Alberston College of Idaho. The Crusaders will take on the 'Yotes again on Saturday, February 20 in Caldwell. The positive court attitudes and good basketball played by the 'Saders should bring out a big crowd both nights.

Small town girl makes her way on college team

Jess Knowlton shares about her spot on the <
Crusader team

by Jenifer Holmquist Crusader News Staff Writer

For Jessica Knowlton, playing basketball in high school was not optional.

"When you go to school in a small town, if you had any athletic ability, you played all sports," she commented. A resident of Peck, Idaho, Knowlton took full advantage of playing high school ball in this environment where "everyone was supportive of evervone else.'

During her senior year in high school, Knowlton knew she



wanted to play college basketball, but only knew she wanted to go farther away from home than Lewiston. NNC's assistant coach called her on the phone, then travelled to Grangeville to watch her

"It was strange, because I was playing against Chelsey Hall [an-

other NNC recruit] and we ended up being roommates and having lots of fun together on the team!"

After the NNC ladies won the conference Knowlton's freshman year, the team struggled last year, especially on the road. For this year, "our ultimate goal as a team is to win the National Conference and the Cascade Conference -and to have fun doing it."

Knowlton emphasized that having fun plays a significant role in how the team plays, "and we have definitely had fun this year." This year, road trips have, in fact, been the highlight of Knowlton's season. At stop signs, "we get out and do a Chinese fire drill." In addition, they follow a mysterious set of mandates known to the Crusader ladies as "road rules."

Looking ahead to their road trip to Southern Oregon this week, Knowlton anticipates that the game will be tough. "Last year

we went to Southern Oregon for the championship game. After the game, me and Staci Kirk were talking in the locker room and we

said 'we're not going to "Our ultimate lose to them again." goal as a team is This de-

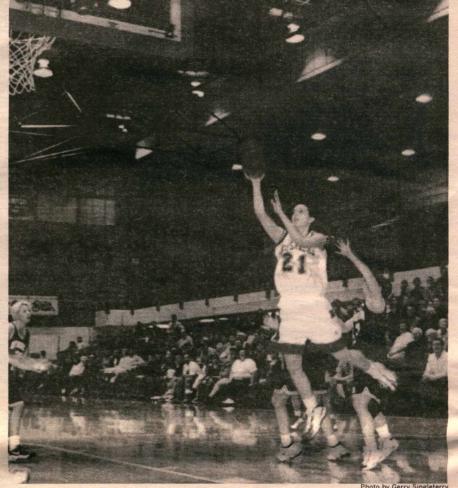
termination to win the has added force to the National Lady Conference and 'Saders' winning streak, to have fun and hopefully will doing it." carry them through the ~Jessica Knowlton last road trips of the season.

What Knowlton really appreciates about the team this year is that they are "willing to put aside their selves for the betterment of the team. Everyone wants to play their role to help. That's what's so cool about this year!" Although Knowlton is a kine-

> siology and English education major, she is still unsure of what she would like to do after her time here. To solve the internal debate over what to do after college, she hopes to "do odd jobs for a while, until I decide if I really want to teach for the rest of my life."

Wherever the

future may lead her, Knowlton's experience as a leader on the women's basketball team will serve her well for many years to come.



Sports

Men split Oregon weekend

Saders win over Cascade; Eastern Oregon loss sours optimism

by Craig Craker Crusader News Staff Writer

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NNC was going into this road trip playing a couple of mediocre teams, and dreaming about how they were going to be in second place in the conference. Instead they came out with a split and are tied for third in the conference.

The first night they found themselves playing Cascade College, a team that was 2-24 (0-11 in the conference), basically comparable to the Nuggets. NNC played excellent defense, holding Cascade to 28.6% shooting percentage from the floor. The Crusaders jumped out to the early lead and cruised into halftime leading 43-28.

In the second half Cascade used a 10-0 run to make things interesting, but NNC held them off in the end. The final score was 79"We didn't come out ready to play, we were thinking about a sweep, not about the game and we did not execute well."

-LaMark Judkins

67, with Cascade leading the 'Saders in every statistical column except for points and Field Goal percentage.

Coach Sanders said "That's the kind of style they want to play, It was a physical game and the officials let them play."

Game statistics for the Crusaders included, Jeremy Stockett had 18 points, Elijah Effinger added 17, Detmetrios McBride had 12 and Scott Bishop had 9 points and 9 rebounds.

On Saturday night they came into Eastern Oregon, a 4-8 conference team thinking about how great a win was going to be. Maybe they should have thought about the game a little more.

Eastern played a tough first half and went into halftime leading 37-33. Coming out of the break, NNC went on a 12-0 run and took a 45-37 lead seemingly taking the game into control. But then Eastern started to eat away, combining a 25-7 run with missed lay-ins, and a missed break-away dunk. Pretty soon it was 58-56 with Eastern on top.

Following a lay-up by LaMark Judkins, on a steal by McBride NNC tied it up. But then Judkins had a 3-pointer go in and out, and Josh Cooprider also failed to make a three. As time ran out, Eastern pulled out the upset victory 63-58.

NNC only shot 37.3% from the field, and were 3-19 from three-point land. "We didn't come out ready to play, we were thinking about a sweep, not about the game, and we did not execute well," said Judkins.

Judkins and Jeremy Stockett had 11 points each and McBride added 10. The Crusaders are now tied for third in the conference with Northwest College, and will play this Friday night at 7:30 at Albertson, so get your Valentine date and come on out and cheer our guys on.



Works of art by Melva Allen Ramana Jones Theresa Wagers

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NNC Tennis about to begin

Crusader's first match to be on Friday in Lewiston

by Robin Day

Sports Editor

The courts are being cleaned off again as spring attempts to make an appearance at NNC. The people leading this barrage of tidiness are members of the Crusader tennis team, whose official season begins this next weekend.

This year's team is composed of four returning players from last year, one player returning from two years past, and four new teammates.

The tennis match this weekend will be held at Lewiston, Idaho on Friday and Saturday, at Lewis and Clark State College. The tournament will be a trimatch between NNC, LCSC, and Pacific Luthern University. Sara Hamilton, a returning junior, commented on the upcoming match, "They're tough teams. We picked a tough match for our first match."

The team's first home match will be on Friday, February 26, starting at 4:00 pm. The games will be held at the Racket Club. The Crusaders will be taking on Southern Oregon in a conference match.

The 'Saders are coached this year by Carey Cook, who is assisted by Thomas Daniels. Daniels is from the Racket Club, who volunteers his time to help coach the team. Also helping the team, is sophomore Brian Lindner.

The members of the NNC tennis team are seniors Betsy Smith and Jenny Kung, junior Sara Hamiliton, sophomores Kristen Crawford, Brandi Blacklock, Beth Nixon and Keri Barnes and freshmen Stacia Hinson and Jayme Harding. Hamilton, Smith and Blacklock are all returning from this past year's team, while Kung played "This year is going to be exciting! The new and old members have combined to make a really good team." ~Sara Hamilton

for NNC two years ago.

NNC's tennis team has been working for three years to establish itself as a strong, well balanced team. Expectation for this year are high, as the team begins to take shape and shape up.

Hamilton commented, "This year is going to be exciting! The new and old members have combined to make a really good team." Time Out This week in Time Out NO ONE

No one will be speaking this week; instead Time Out will be a time of singing, personal sharing and worship. Be ready for the openheart therapy that will be taking place and come prepared to hear what God is doing in the lives of many people on campus. Time Out may or may not be held in the Science Lecture Hall, so be sure to check with Perla or another ASNNC member for more details.

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Your dog deserves television that really smells

Do dogs understand television? This is a question that has puzzled humanity since the days of the ancient Greeks. It is also the topic of an article sent in by alert reader Gwen Larriega from the February issue of Dog Fancy magazine (suggested motto: "For People Who Take Dogs Way Too Seriously").

According to the article, headlined "Can They REALLY Watch TV?", some dog owners claim their dogs watch television, especially when it is showing "other dogs, wolves or horses, large cats, birds and deer," and that often the dogs respond by "running behind the set to see if the animals are there." This behavior is further proof, as if we needed any, that dogs are in the same intelligence category as saltines. Because of course there are no animals behind the television set. The animals live INSIDE THE PICTURE TUBE, and you youngsters out there should feed them by pushing cold cuts through the VCR slot.

But the point is that dogs do watch TV, and they are not always impressed. The Dog Fancy article states that some owners "described their dogs as disliking commercials or talk shows, re-



sponding to these broadcasts by growling, head-butting or biting the screen."

I can relate to dogs on this issue. I react in a similar manner, especially to the following type of commercial: "Hi, I'm a trusted celebrity such as Dennis Miller, Michael Jordan or the late Jimmy Stewart. I make millions of dollars, so you can be sure I spend a lot of time analyzing long-distance telephone rates. Did you know what by dialing 10-10-23-3499404956587054645, you can save as much as 37 percent if you call on Thursday evenings during Lent and are a joint taxpayer filing singly? Well it's true! At least that's what my script says. I have a staff, so I have not personally dialed a telephone in 12 years. Remember: To save money, simply dial 10, followed by 10, followed by 23, followed by 3499404956587054645. Or maybe it's 3499404956587054646. It's something like that. A humorous

remark goes here. Where's my check?"

When I see one of these commercials—which is always followed almost immediately by AN-OTHER trusted celebrity pushing ANOTHER long-distance number—I often find myself head-butting the TV screen. As you can imagine, this upsets the wolves.

But getting back to the issue: It seems to me that for dogs to become truly interested in TV, the programming would have to include the element of smell. Smelling is very big, for dogs. If you're walking your dog, and you pass a spot on the ground where any other dog, any time in the history of the world, has left a smell, your dog will want to sniff that spot for approximately the rest of its life. You will need an industrial forklift to pry your dog off that spot. Why? Because your dog's nose is an amazingly complex organ, that's why. Your dog appears to simply be sniffing the same stupid smell over and over again, but in fact its nose is performing a sophisticated olfactory analysis, then transmitting the resulting data to your dog's brain, thus producing a pattern of neural firings that can be translated, roughly, as: "Hey! A smell!"

Recently I spent a week dog-sitting my in-laws' dog, Daisy, who is a beagle, which means she is, biologically, a nose with feet. She spent the entire week trying to locate a cat that hangs out in our yard. Every time I took her outside, she'd race around the yard, nose to the ground, whimpering, detecting cat clues. Meanwhile, the actual cat, in person, would be sitting on a low wall, very cool, watching Daisy. Sometimes Daisy would be within three feet of the cat, wildly excited, sniffing the ground so hard that she was sucking ants into her nostrils. I'd point right at the cat and say, "LOOK, Daisy! There it is! The cat!" But Daisy ignored me. Her attitude was, "I have no time to look at a cat, you idiot! I'm hot on the trail of a cat!" Meanwhile, the cat is shaking its head, thinking, "No wonder they drink out of toilets.'

So if television is going to really reach dogs, particularly the beagle demographic, it needs more odors. I don't see why we couldn't develop a TV that, in addition to picture and sound, emitted smells through a hole at the bottom of the set. That way, if you're watching, say, a police drama, and there's a shootout, and one of the good guys is lying on the sidewalk, critically wounded, whispering his last, deeply touching words to his partner, your dog could go to the hole and find out how the sidewalk smelled. There could even be dogoriented commercials, whereby advertisers would reward dog viewers with popular smells if they followed simple commands ("Nose the receiver off the hook! Good boy! Now press 10-10 ...").

In conclusion, I think all dog lovers should write to the TV industry and DEMAND programming with a higher smell content (insert your Jerry Springer joke here). I also want to stress to you young, impressionable readers out there that I was just kidding about putting cold cuts into the VCR. You should use ice cream. Otherwise Bambi will die. Thank you.

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