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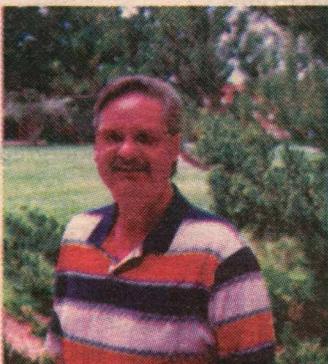
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Column One

I'm going to try something new this week. Instead of waiting until 5:30 in the morning to write this, I've decided to turn over a new leaf and finish Column One early. Looking at the clock right now, I notice that it's only 4:15 in the morning. My self-discipline is really amazing.

Last week I talked about mimes in my column. Will thought it was dumb, so I made a vow to Wings Hauser (the prestigious actor from the critically acclaimed film *Mutants*) that I would never mention mimes again. Instead I will discuss the sensitive issue of circus clowns.

Isn't it surprising how many people are deathly afraid of clowns? It's called bozophobia. It can strike at any time. No one is safe. You could be sitting at home watching TV when an ad flashes on the screen for the hit movie, *Killer Clowns from Outer Space*. The next thing you know you could be lying on the floor in the fetal position mumbling, "May God have mercy on Barnum and Bailey." I've never seen it happen, nor have I heard of it happening. But imagine if it did. Spooky stuff. Think about it.

On a lighter note, wasn't ALF a great show? That kooky alien was always getting himself into trouble. Do you remember the episode where ALF had that blind girlfriend? If anybody can tell me the name of that girl, you will get a free issue of *The Crusader*. Call 8656 with the answer.

Nathan R. Hydes

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NNC honors dedicated professors

by Melissa Davis
Crusader Campus Writer

The annual Professor of the Year Convocation was held on May 12, 1999, during chapel hour in the Swayne Auditorium. This convocation of awards at least one professor each year for excellence in teaching.

Professor Judy Sadler got this year's convocation underway by leading the campus community in the hymn "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him." President Richard Hagood then offered the invocation. Academic Dean Sam Dunn gave the welcome for the morning. Each nominee for the Professor of the Year Award was introduced by a student from his or her respective department.

The first nominee was introduced by Debra Ellis. Professor Jim Willis is the chair of the Division of Fine Arts. Dr. Willis is a great supporter of both the music and the art departments. He is the director of Hallelujah Brass and is known as a friend to his students (who call him "Doc").

Communication Studies Professor Dennis Waller was introduced by James Everist. Dr. Waller is actually the only professor in his department. He treats his students as his children. His Christian faith is put into practice every day of his life, and he has a very positive Christian attitude.

Janet Krause introduced Chemistry Professor Dave Redfield. He serves on many committees and has worked extensively on obtaining grants for the Science Department. Over

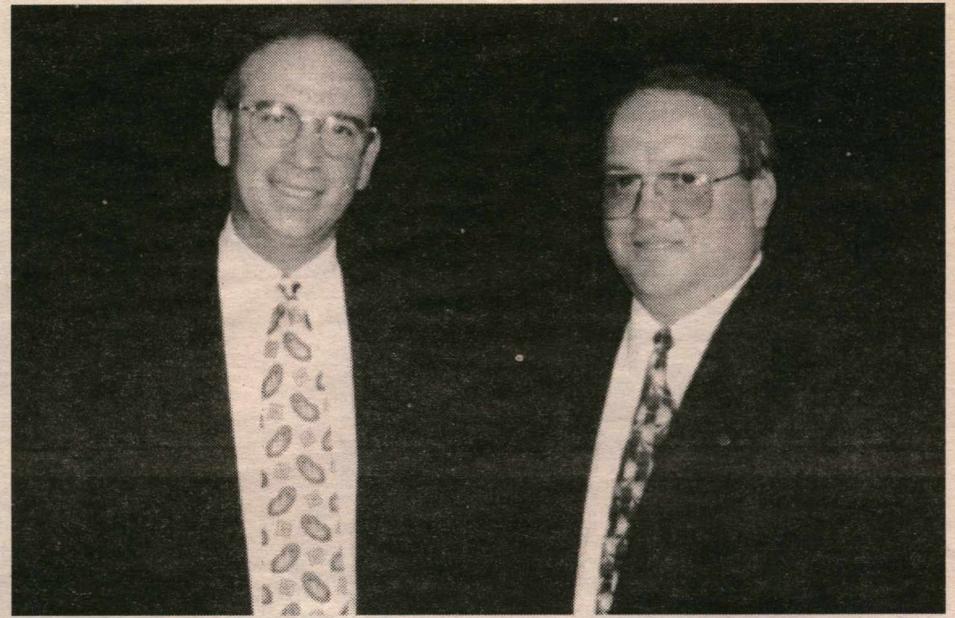
the years, Dr. Redfield has opened his home to students. He is a devoted family man and professor.

Robin Smith introduced Professor George Lyons, a professor in the Religion Department. Dr. Lyons is very dedicated to training the next generation of future church leaders. His standards for his students are high, but at the same time, his students are challenged to a standard of excellence.

One of his colleagues has said that Dr. Lyons is "... one of the best New Testament scholars in higher education."

Business and Economics Professor Ron Galloway was graciously introduced by Tricia Palmer. When Dr. Galloway came to NNC, he had a vision for our Business and Economics Department. Through hard work and dedication, he has greatly enhanced his department and his vision is now reality. Dr. Galloway is always busy training students to become Christian leaders in the business world. He gives the challenge to his students to "think outside of the box." Being available to his students is important to Dr. Galloway.

Rachel Roemhildt had the privilege of introducing History



Dr. Bill Wantland and Dr. Ron Galloway were honored as Professors of the Year during chapel on May 12, 1999.

Professor Bill Wantland. To say that Dr. Wantland has a love for history is an understatement. Dr. Wantland's office door is always open. One of the ways that he makes history come alive to his students is by dressing as a character from the time period he is teaching. His lectures are very dynamic. Words such as "fire" and "passion" describe Dr. Wantland well. He also loves baseball.

Jan McIntire, NNC Alumni Association Executive Director, had the honor of presenting the Professor of the Year Award. She opened the envelope and the results revealed not just one recipient, but two. The winners were Dr. Galloway and Dr. Wantland.

Dr. Wantland gave his acceptance first. Not knowing what to

say, he told a story about when he was a young professor.

Next, Dr. Galloway gave his acceptance. He said that he had not prepared anything to say because he had not expected to win, but he was very grateful nonetheless. Both professors were given plaques and gift certificates as part of the honor of receiving the Professor of the Year Award. Faculty Chair and Professor of Philosophy Edwin Crawford offered the benediction to the convocation.

All of this year's nominees for Professor of the Year were honored through this convocation. However, special recognition was given to Dr. Ron Galloway and Dr. Bill Wantland, co-winners of the 1999 Professor of the Year Award.

2000-2001 academic calendar

ACADEMIC CALENDAR—2000-2001

Fall Semester--70 class days

Aug 31-Sept 4	Thur-Mon	New Student Orientation and Registration
Sept 4	Mon	Returning Student Registration
Sept 5	Tues	Classes Begin
Sept 22	Fri	Faculty Retreat
Oct 27	Fri	Faculty In-service
Nov 23-25	Thur-Sat	Thanksgiving/Homecoming
Dec 15	Fri	Last Day of Undergraduate Classes
Dec 18-21	Mon-Thur	Final Exams

Spring Semester--72 class days

Jan 15, 2001	Mon	Check-In/Registration
Jan 16	Tue	Classes Begin
Feb 19	Mon	President's Day - No Undergraduate Classes
Mar 10-18	Sat-Sun	Semester Break
April 13	Fri	Good Friday - No Undergraduate Classes
May 4	Fri	Classes End
May 7-10	Mon-Thur	Final Exams
May 11	Fri	Baccalaureate
May 12	Sat	Commencement

Semester conversion questions

Q How will courses taken under the quarter system count for the semester system?

A Courses taken under the quarter system will count the same in the semester system.

Q How will credits taken under the quarter system count for the semester system?

A Each quarter credit will count as 2/3 of a semester credit when converted to the semester system. *Although this sounds like a reduction of credits, remember that the total credits required for graduation have also been reduced.*

Q How many credits are needed to be considered a full-time student?

A Twelve credits are required for full-time status, although a student will need to take an average of "16 plus" credits to complete a degree in four years.

Q Does taking more courses mean more work?

A Not necessarily. Your workload is based on the number of credits you are taking rather than on the number of courses.

NNC student relates experiences abroad

by Andrea Weisen
Crusader Campus Writer

Sometimes, tragedies across the world touch closer to home than one might imagine. When NNC student David Kadel hears reports of the war in Kosovo, he has a picture perfect vision of the places and people in the middle of strife.

Seven years ago, David's father felt a call to the country of Albania. Kadel said, "My Dad felt impressed in prayer with Albania, and had to go look it up on a map."

After checking a map to find out where Albania was, David's father continued to feel led to the country. One of the clearest signs

he received was the mention of Albania on the front page of the next day's newspaper.

After some preparation, David's father visited the Balkan country for ten days. While there, he fell in love with the country and people and began to make plans to move his family of five to the capital city of Tirane.

Once the family was settled in their new home, they began work with a missions group called Helimissions, who specialized in using helicopters to reach remote villages with supplies and the gospel.

The Kadels became involved in church services in a little village called Shengjin i Madh. Since Albania is primarily a Muslim country, the adults of the village would not attend the services. However, did allow their children to attend regularly. During this time, David and his brother made several trips back and forth to the

United States to be with their Mom, who had joint custody. The longest trip that David took to Albania was six months long.

When the two brothers returned, the family made the decision to move their home from the capital to Shengji i Madh. Once there, the family's transportation depended on the Helimissions group until they were able to purchase a Land Rover, which greatly increased their mobility.

While the Kadels continued their work with the children of the village, they constantly felt God's presence with them. "I could go on and on all day with stories of how things we needed were provided," Kadel said.

One such story involves oatmeal. As David joked, "We could live on oatmeal." However, oatmeal is not available in Albania, and when the family ran out of their favorite breakfast, they received some wonderful news. There was a warehouse full of oatmeal in Tirane, and the Albanians had nowhere to sell it, as their countrymen would not buy it.

Another instance of God's influence in the Kadels mission work occurred during a baptism service. A group of children in the village had begun to attend the Christian services faithfully, so a

baptism service was scheduled. However, when the appointed day arrived, it was cold and rainy. Many of the children were

nancial loss. Within a matter of weeks, the American Embassy had cleared the majority of Americans out of the country to



This is Kadel's house in Shengjin i Madh. It is also where church services are held. Church services average between 40 and 50 children per service.

sick, and some of their parents refused to allow them to be baptized. The ones who were baptized, however, were healed of their sickness.

God's hand continued to be with the Kadels in Albania, even as they were forced to flee the country in 1997 as unrest began to turn to revolution in the capital city.

One of the main causes of the chaos in Tirane was the collapse of several "pyramid schemes" which resulted in widespread fi-

safety.

The Kadels took up residence in England where they continue to live today. They are planning a return trip to Tirane to help the war refugees and to continue to spread the gospel to a hurting people.

If finances permitted, David would return to the country with his family, but for now, he helps out by praying for and remembering the people of the war-torn country. He urges you to do the same.



From left to right, Vali Kita, Altin Kita, David Kadel, and Beta Kita. The Kitas (brother and sisters) are some of the strongest believers in Shengjin i Madh. Altin is now the pastor of the church Kadel's family started.

Psych. students present groundbreaking research

by Melissa Tennyson
Crusader Campus Writer

If you think all psychology students do is analyze people, then think again. They also find creative ways to get to the beach! On the weekend of April 29-May 2, 1999, a group of Northwest Nazarene College psychology students and professors went to the Western Psychological Association Conference in Irvine, California.

There were a total of 16 students who attended the conference, accompanied by Dr. Glenna Andrews and Dr. Joann Willis. A record number of nine students were accepted to present their research poster sessions.

Presenters included Jeremiah Crane, who studied adolescent substance abusers and delinquents; Jim Imlah and Jennifer Vavold, who researched brain functionings of adults with Attention Deficit Disorder; Dustin

Zimmerman and Carlyann Sandidge, who analyzed group

treatment for adolescents at risk; Melissa Hardy, who studied gen-

der typing behavior; Jill Matthews and Andrea Hodgson, who studied the self-concept of adolescents and relationships with fathers; and Betsy Smith, who studied the effects of traumatic brain injury on memory and cognitive functioning.

There were many other research presenters at the conference, as well as prestigious professors and leading figures in the field of psychology who spoke at various seminars and workshops. It was a chance for students to not only share the research they had worked so hard on for the past year, but to also obtain information about graduate schools, fields in psychology and various career opportunities.

The students also went to Fuller Theological

Seminary to look at their graduate programs in psychology. Fuller happens to be the school where Dr. Ron Ponsford and Dr. Glenna Andrews both received their graduate degrees.

It was a worthwhile experience for students to have the chance to talk with graduate level professors at Fuller, and at the WPA conference, in order to know how to be better prepared for graduate school.

As I mentioned before, believe it or not, psychology students do know how to have fun! Important "educational" experiences were their trips to the Hard Rock Café and Laguna Beach, both being an essential part of their Southern California rendezvous.

Also included in this week-end of serious study and scholarship was a day-trip to Disneyland and Magic Mountain. Here, students faithfully analyzed the psychological experience of roller coasters.



NNC psychology students and professors at the Western Psychological Association Conference in Irvine, California. From left to right, row 1: Carlyanne Sandidge, Jennifer Vavold, row 2: Dr. Glenna Andrews, Megan Hughes, AleAnn Andrews, Melissa Tennyson, Melissa Hardy, Jill Matthews, Betsy Smith, row 3: Tracy Rummer, Shauntae Willis, Lynnee Friberg, Andrea Hodgson, Dr. Joann Willis, row 4: Jim Imlah, Nathan Hydes, Stacey Bishop, Dustin Zimmerman.

Recognizing a miracle worker among us

by Mindy Oldenkamp
Crusader Campus Writer

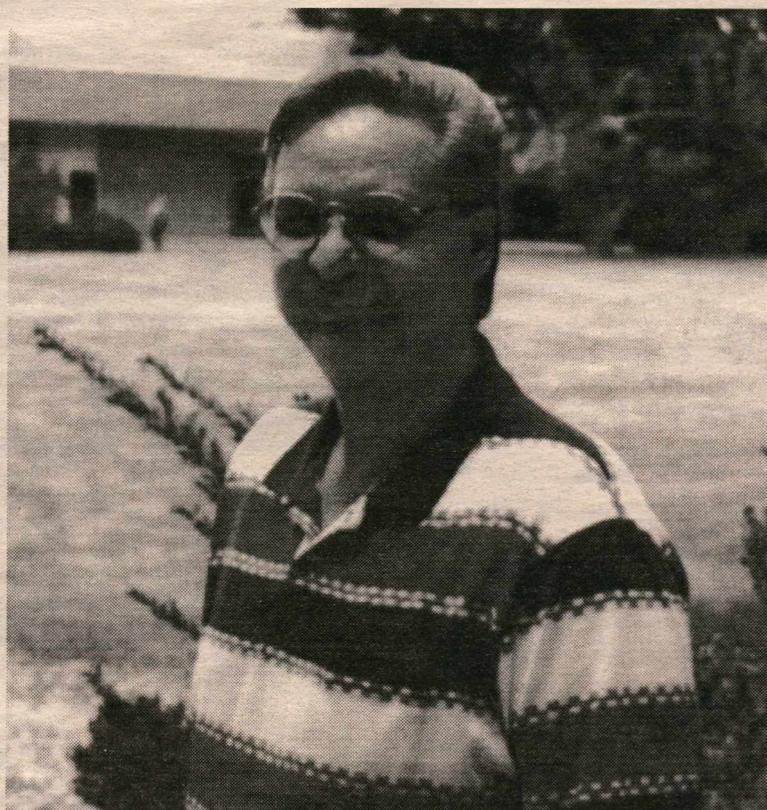
In some sense, Wes Maggard is a miracle maker. He is a number-crunching, smile-making, people-loving, miracle maker.

As a part of the essential team of advisors in Financial Aid, Maggard has the opportunity to see a lot of good things happen and does his best to set them in motion.

"With the Lord's help, we can figure out a way to make it possible for just about anyone to come to college." Maggard does just that by helping families and students search for all opportunities of going to and staying in college, whether it be through loans, grants, scholarships or blind faith.

Maggard is now a familiar face in the Financial Aid Office with his various collections. From gum ball dispensers, to all kinds of currency, to shelves full of Happy Meal toys, Maggard has been an essential member of NNC's staff since 1975.

Maggard's service here at NNC began with Student Development where he was an assistant to Dr. Laird. There, he was responsible for and took care of



Wes Maggard, a Financial Aid Advisor at NNC, is dedicated to helping the students in any way that he can.

such student issues as Chapel attendance, as well as overseeing the Brick House.

Throughout his career, Maggard has worked under five different vice presidents, from Dr.

Laird to the present Gary Skaggs, and has seen many changes on NNC's campus. As for the tremendous amount of change facing the campus in the upcoming years, Maggard is confident that

they will bring good things to NNC, and he is excited to remain a part of continuing development on campus.

No matter what job he is assigned, his favorite aspect of being a member of such an incredible team of workers is the interaction he has with the people around him. Maggard has seen a larger number of students come through NNC over the years, and with every new face he sees, he values his time here more. "The people that come through NNC are going to do many great and incredible things, and it's great to be a part of that."

Before he was a member of the staff, Maggard was just another student on campus in search of a degree. His major was in Religious Education, and he planned to follow God's call.

He graduated in 1975 and began looking for a church. However, fortunately for NNC, Maggard couldn't find a church that God was leading him to. Instead, he interviewed for a job at the college and has been happily stuck here ever since. "I went out looking for a job, and God took me and gave me the largest youth group ever to work with here at NNC, and what a youth group!"

Maggard's sense of humor and his love of all people are two incredible qualities that have enabled him to spend 24 years with the students of NNC. His understanding nature and eagerness to help people in need are tremendous and powerful.

The reward is the students, being able to see them make it through school, somehow, and knowing that God will take care of it all. He also values the time he spends with his colleagues, whether it be in the office or on retreats where the bonds of unity are strengthened and cherished.

His odd collection of toys, knickknacks and many other funny little toys which control the space of his office, started by his family always bringing him little trinkets and funny little things to make him smile. Now Maggard keeps them all in his office, lining his shelves, his desk and basically everything else in sight. "It tends to put people at ease and make them smile a little more often."

The next time you are downstairs in the Administration Building, take the time to look in on Wes Maggard. He's there, most likely making another financial miracle come to life.

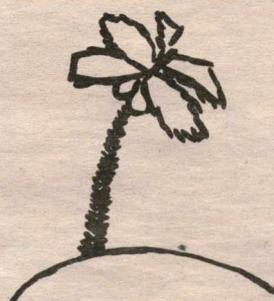
Upcoming campus events

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| May 20 | and Faculty Marshal |
| -Housing applications are due | -11:00 am-Corlett and Dooley room drawing |
| -Pre-Registration closes for continuing students | May 27 |
| -8:00 pm-Student Recital in AD Building Auditorium | -11:00 am-Culver and Sutherland room drawing |
| May 21 | -8:00 pm-Concert Band concert in Swayne Auditorium |
| -Last day to drop classes | May 28-29 |
| -Pre-Registration begins for new and readmitting students | -ASNNC Malibu Weekend |
| -7:00 pm-Al and Debra Ellis' Senior Recital in College Church | May 30 |
| May 21-23 | -3:00pm-Melissa McClellan's Senior Recital in the AD Building Auditorium |
| -Junior/Senior retreat | May 31 |
| May 25 | -8:00 pm-A Pops Concert featuring Jazz Band and Northwesterns in Swayne Auditorium |
| -8:00 pm-Student Recital | -Community Clothing Drive |
| May 26 | |
| -10:15 am-Senior Class meeting with Registrar | |

ASNNC Malibu Weekend schedule of events

FRIDAY

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| RD Picnic | 5:00-7:00pm |
| Cafe Malibu | 8:30-10:30pm |



SATURDAY

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| Water Sports | 11:00am |
| Volleyball Tournament | 2:00pm |
| Frisbee Golf Tournament | 2:00pm |
| Luau | 5:00pm |
| Movie Night | 10:00-12:00pm |

Special chapel speaker



R.A.D. speaker David West delivers a heartfelt message about "playing the game" to students in chapel on Friday, May 14.



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Kosovo peace talks continue amidst bombing

by Heather Oglevie
World News Staff Writer

Despite bad weather, bombing continued in Serbia and Belgrade over the weekend, disappointing many who were hoping for a quick resolution to the nearly two-month-old conflict. Several more misplaced bombs shook Serbian buildings and damaged a military aircraft base in Belgrade, Yugoslav media reported Monday. Reports of daylight air raids have become more common in the recent past as the NATO steps up its attempts to end the conflict.

However, attempts to solve the Kosovo problem peaceably are also becoming more common—and are appearing from several unexpected angles. A delegation of the United Nations from Belgrade is preparing to make a tour of Kosovo—the first such visit since air strikes began. The fifteen-member team, headed up by Sergio de Mello, hopes to meet with Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic before they go out to assess the condition of the ravaged country. According to reports, Milosevic has agreed to this meeting. Mello states only that he knows that such a visit during wartime is rare, but he wishes the tour to be as professional as possible.

More diplomatic meetings are taking place elsewhere with new players. The leaders of Montenegro and Albania, together with the Prime Minister of Russia, have met with European Union members to discuss other solutions to the problem. They pleaded with the union to cease negotiations with Milosevic and find another leader, though they did not suggest another name.

In addition, Germany has sent one of its officials to Italy and Finland, seeking a solution independently of the UN. This raises hopes that Milosevic may be more willing to agree to a plan which the UN could later accept.

Furthermore, two Serbian POW's, both privates in the Serb army, will be released to Yugoslavia shortly through the International Red



A group of children gathered on the Albanian side of the Yugoslavia-Kosovo border look skyward for the NATO fighter plane that just delivered its load in the distance, leaving a huge plume of smoke rising from just inside Kosovo, Tuesday, May 11, 1999.

Cross. Although the United States had been under pressure to re-

lease the soldiers since the release of three American soldiers earlier this month, it denied any connection between the two releases.

The debate continues regarding whether NATO should use ground troops to settle the conflict in Kosovo. Most arguments for either side were uncertain. Although some insist that a ground campaign must be initiated by August in order to aid Kosovar refugees before the snows begin, others feel that the air strikes are still effective and should continue. The same issue confronts the use of Apache helicopters, which might be more effective than air bombing yet may also present more dangers.

Anti-aircraft fire is still far too avid, says General Shelton, chair-

man of the Joint Chiefs, and the helicopter operators require more training before they can pilot in battle. Two pilots have died during one of these training flights over Albania.

The refugee front is presenting problems all its own—although the Yugoslav army safely released 106 Albanian refugees who had been seized in Montenegro over the weekend, Serb forces turned back a train of refugees seeking entry to Macedonia.

More stories are constantly cropping up about young males being pulled off trains headed for the Albanian border.

General Colin Powell is adding his voice to the many calling for new tactics in the Kosovo crisis. He stated on "Meet the Press" that he would have ordered much sterner measures to end the conflict, including more severe air strikes and possibly ground troops as well. He added that, although the Serbian forces are taking a terrible beating at the hands of the U.S., ethnic Albanians and other civilians are also suffering—a pointed allusion to the mistaken bombing attacks committed by NATO jets. Powell also criticizes NATO for utilizing a campaign which leaves it to Milosevic to admit defeat before the Kosovar conflict can finally be ended.

Area hotels-motels unite to promote tourism

Joint venture may bring a tax to establish a visitors bureau

by José Melendez
World News Staff Writer

Surprisingly, tourists in Canyon County spent \$61,065,000 in 1997, according to Department of Commerce Director Carl Wilgus. Who would have thought that tourists would come to the Nampa, Caldwell and Meridian area?

Not to be critical, but the smell of slaughter houses and a sugar beet factory are enough to make me reconsider the location of a family vacation. Most of us are here because of Northwest Nazarene College. This area is not exactly Hawaii.

But maybe that's because the area has not been portrayed or

marketed like a Hawaii. Canyon County tourism has increased in the last several decades at a rate of anywhere from 5%-15%.

The area surrounding Nampa, Meridian, and Caldwell is abundant in American traditional farmland perfect for driving on a Sunday afternoon. Just south to the Owyhees and north to the Boise front range, you have beautiful mountains rich with all that the outdoors have to offer. Downtown Nampa is actually very cute and filled with small, friendly "mom and pop" shops.

The Chambers of Commerce of the three cities are uniting in mind to market and promote tourism.

Before anything can actually be done however, the cities must

have money to market. This is the dilemma that brings up one of the latest local issues—a hotel-motel tax.

The idea behind the hotel-motel tax is to establish a Conven-

"We want this to be a win-win situation for everyone in town."

*~ Jeanine Fitzgerald,
Chairman of the Board of
Convention and Tourism*

tion and Visitors Bureau. Much like Boise's Convention and Visitor's Bureau, which is responsible for marketing that city, the local Bureau will rely heavily on the room tax as well as several grants.

A hotel-motel tax is not a new idea. The state of Idaho allows for the tax on the condition that it does not exceed 5%. Boise, for ex-

ample, currently has a 4% room tax. Nampa, Caldwell and Meridian representatives have decided on a 3% room tax. The 3% local tax would render the three cities' Bureau to \$150,000, according to Nampa Finance Director Jerry Gunstream. The tax does not place the financial burden on local residents, but rather on the room occupants.

The tax would be used mainly to promote the area from eastern Meridian to western Caldwell, though it would also include attractions from some of the smaller local communities within the area.

As stated by Georgia Bowman, president and CEO of the Nampa Chamber of Commerce, "The reality is, if you want tourists, you've got to promote the whole area."

The tax is supposed to benefit all who are involved. Jeanine Fitzgerald, chairman of the Board of Convention and Tourism said, "We want this to be a win-win situation for everyone in town."

The logic behind the tax is that the more promotion of the area there is, the more hotel-motel occupants, the more money for the Bureau and eventually there will be more money for the local people.

The tax is currently waiting for enough signatures to be collected within an "auditorium district" where the tax would be imposed.

If 10% of the district residents' signatures are gathered, then the proposal will be on this coming November's general election ballot, giving the community an opportunity to enable the tax.

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Voting for Prime Minister

by Ryan K. Dooley

World News Staff Writer

On Sunday, Israel's race for prime minister dwindled down to two as three minor candidates withdrew, leaving incumbent Benjamin Netanyahu to face opposition Labor leader Ehud Barak one-on-one.

Ultra-nationalist candidate Benny Begin, son of former prime minister Menachem Begin, was the last of the three to announce his withdrawal. Earlier Sunday, former defense minister Yitzhak Mordechai withdrew from the campaign and threw his support behind Labor leader Barak, running under the banner of the One Israel coalition.

Polls had shown that Barak was inching toward victory in Monday's election, but he remained just shy of the majority needed for an outright win over incumbent Benjamin Netanyahu.

The withdrawals of Begin and Mordechai -- coupled with Saturday's pullout by Arab candidate Azmi Bishara -- could be enough to put Barak over the top and avoid an unprecedented runoff.

"In the last days, Israel is uniting in order to bring about a change and hope," Barak told supporters in Tel Aviv after Begin's withdrawal. "I am calling on all of Israel, to all those who believe in uniting the country ... to come with me to vote for One Israel, and together, to bring about the change."

Netanyahu called the election a clear choice between right and left and urged Mordechai's supporters to "come home to Likud."

Mordechai quit Netanyahu's right-wing Likud party in January, joining the new Center party to challenge his former boss. Mordechai said Sunday that he was withdrawing from the race to give Barak a better chance of winning in the first round of votes.

"I said and repeat that one of our central goals is to re-

place the prime minister," he said at a news conference in Tel Aviv.

Polls released Friday showed Barak bordering between 44 and 48.5 percent of the vote, with Mordechai coming in third with between 4 and 7 percent. Bishara was expected to pull between 2 and 3 percent, while Netanyahu drew about 35 percent of those polled.

Netanyahu, who came from behind in the closing days to win the last election three years ago, has attacked the polls as inaccurate. The prime minister has told supporters he can still win if the election goes to a runoff between him and Barak.

Israel has never had a runoff election, making turnout and victory predictions difficult. But the dramatic weekend events eliminated the need for a runoff. And in a poll released Sunday, Barak was the clear winner in a head-to-head match-up.

The Hanoch and Rafi Smith poll in the Globes newspaper -- taken Thursday and Saturday before the withdrawals -- asked 1,000 Israelis whether they would vote for Netanyahu or Barak in a two-man race. Barak led with 55 percent to Netanyahu's 44.5 percent.

Bishara, the first Arab candidate to run for Israel's highest office, did not endorse any other candidate. But Netanyahu's Likud was quick to seize on

Bishara's withdrawal to swipe at Barak.

"It is clear to every citizen that Azmi Bishara's move was coordinated with the Labor Party and Ehud Barak," said Netanyahu's Communications

"In the last days, Israel is uniting in order to bring about a change and hope. . ."

~ Azmi Barak

Minister Limor Livnat. "Azmi Bishara, who in essence wants to annihilate the state of Israel as the Jewish state, is today uniting with Ehud Barak," she said.

On Sunday, Netanyahu accused Barak of striking a deal, which had the "blessing and support" of Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat, to get the Arab candidate to quit the race.

Bishara, a philosophy professor, says he wants an Israel defined not as "the Jewish state" -- a formulation his party says discriminates against Arabs -- but "a state of all its citizens".

The Geocartography Institute said it would publish a poll later on Sunday taken after Bishara's announcement. Avi Dgani, the institute's main researcher, said it showed Barak's momentum building.

-Although the race was close until the last hours of the election, the final results of the election for Israel's Prime Minister had Azmi Barak as the victor over Benjamin Netanyahu.



Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu prays at the Western Wall on election day in Jerusalem, Israel Monday. Although it was believed to be a close race, Barak was the victor in the election.

Air Force One in near collision

LOS ANGELES, CA - The pilot of Air Force One was forced to make an evasive maneuver Saturday night to avoid coming too close to another airplane during a flight carrying President Clinton from Mountain View, CA, to Los Angeles.

Air Force One was descending to an altitude of 10,000 feet when a commuter plane headed in the opposite direction descended to an altitude of 9,000 feet. An automated collision-avoidance system aboard Air Force One signaled the pilot to climb, and the plane rose back to 10,400 feet and banked away from the commuter plane.

The president went to Los Angeles for a political fundraiser after visiting with his daughter at Stanford University in Palo Alto.

Gore calls for improved teaching

LAMONI, IA - Vice President Al Gore called for tough new teacher tests, recruiting bonuses of up to \$10,000 and "second-chance schools," as he began Sunday to detail his agenda for his White House bid.

Gore used a commencement speech at Graceland College for the first in a series of public policy addresses he said would bring substance to his campaign for the Democratic nomination for president in 2000.

A new "teacher corps" could offer youngsters up to \$10,000 if they decide to go college to become a teacher, and a \$10,000 bonus could await those who switch from other professions. States would be encouraged to toughen teacher licensing, as well to offer other incentives to obtain better teachers.

Trial for U.S. teen held in Israel

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL - The murder case against American teenager Samuel Sheinbein, facing trial in Israel for a crime committed in the U.S. state of Maryland, was postponed.

Sheinbein's trial started Sunday with the first formal reading of the indictment in court. However, Judge Uri Goren granted a defense request for time to obtain more evidence from Maryland.

Sheinbein, 18, fled to Israel in September 1997, days after the murder and dismemberment of Alfred Tello Jr., an acquaintance. The American teenager, born and raised in the United States, holds joint Israeli-U.S. citizenship because of his father's birth in pre-statehood Israel.

U.S. authorities requested extradition, but Israel's Supreme Court rejected the request, citing a 1978 law that bars the extradition of citizens wanted for crimes committed abroad.

Micron-Dell changes lease policies

WASHINGTON D.C. - The Federal Trade Commission has settled with Micron Electronics over accusations of misleading ads, the agency reported Thursday.

Sally Pitofsky, attorney for the division of financial practices at the Federal Trade Commission, said that though leasing computers is a new field, Nampa-based Micron and Dell, which also settled, have to make ads that are "clear and conspicuous."

Pitofsky said that Micron misled customers by not telling them about start-up leasing fees of about \$250. Micron also buried information in very small print that was nearly unreadable in print advertisements. The information was also buried on Micron's Web page, where the information could only be found if the customers scrolled down several pages with links that could lead users to another page before they obtain the needed information.

Caldwell collision injures three

CALDWELL, ID - Canyon County officers are investigating one more accident caused by a driver who did not yield to stop a sign. Three people were injured in the two-vehicle collision.

The Canyon County Sheriff's patrol division is stepping up its campaign to issue citations to motorists who run stop signs or fail to yield at one, Chief Deputy Al Showalter said.

"We have special patrols out during the day," Showalter said. Deputies are videotaping intersections, looking for violators and demonstrating zero tolerance for stop sign violations.

Local residents are demanding that the city look into getting more stop signs to reduce the injuries and deaths to their absence. The city is currently looking into the matter.

"There's a new *Star Wars* movie? Why

Lucas' new *Star Wars* prequel brings die-hard fanatics out of the woodwork.

by Jeremy "The Sven" Lee & Armarna Reynolds

Crusader News Staff Writers

You're speeding through a crammed parking lot, screeching tires and burning rubber to reach your point of destiny. Then you see it, the last spot in line.

The driver slams on the brakes, causing you to smash your forehead into the windshield, and screams, "GET OUT OF THE CAR!!!" The doors are flung open while all seven passengers tumble over each other - racing toward the inevitable. The entire world goes into slow motion as you recall what it took to reach this climactic experience.

May ninth, the year of nineteen hundred and ninety-nine, three days prior to the selling of the tickets to the most anticipated movie of the twentieth century. A babbling crowd has formed around the Marriott table, rushing to place orders with the ones anointed to take the long voyage to the Tent Land far, far away. The plan is set: you leave the following evening.

You rise early to attend your day's classes, daydreaming your way through World Literature and Economics of the events that will follow.

Stumbling through your day, we at last reach 5:00, rush into Marriot, grab your last meal, run to your dorm, throw sleeping bags into the trunk, and hurriedly smash yourself into the vehicle, heading towards Boise at the speed of light.

Singing *Star Wars* themes the whole way there, you realize that this is not going to be any ordinary experience.

You look from the highway to the theater and see that there are already tents lined up around the corner. Now, back to the action....

"ARGH!" you exclaim as your body crashes into the concrete, "We made it!" Dances and songs of joy reign as you realize the fun you will be having very, very soon. In the tent next to yours is a TV with a VCR and Nintendo 64 and full permission to use it. This is going to be a good two days.

That night, Channel 6 News comes by your new homestead as you're freezing to death in your pathetic excuses for sleeping bags. The cameraman wonders if you are cold, and blowing the frozen icicles off of your lips, you manage to answer with a weak, "Y...Y...Y...Y... Yesss!" You wave into the camera as you realize that all nine Idahoans who are watching this broadcast think that you are a complete moron.

As the night wears on, the temperature drops significantly and you become well acquainted with your group of friends as you use each other for warmth. Between jittering teeth, you discuss how much you would like to build a bon-fire and roast an entire cow over it. You eventually fall asleep, mainly because you can no longer feel your body, much less move it.

Just as you are about ready to visit La-la-land, you hear a strange, loud buzzing coming from the other side of the building. In your slumber, you imagine that the obnoxiously loud sound is your friend's snoring, and you reach over to smack him in the head to quiet him.

As the sound approaches, you come to the shocking and wakeful realization that this sound does not belong to any human being.

Popping your head out of the warm confines of your thin sleeping bag, you see that the grounds keepers have decided to beautify the parking lot and surroundings at 4:00 in the morning. A cruel, cruel man with an exceptionally large grin is walking very closely to the line of tents....with a leaf blower.

In response, the air is filled with the sound of tossing, turning and grumbling. Upon awakening, the crowd hurls sharp objects at him and yells choice insults, and the cruel grinning man quickly retreats. You rejoice.

You awaken the next morning, energized by your two-hour nap, when you look behind you in line. During the night, the rest of the state decided that going to the cinemas would be a great idea. "They were probably persuaded to come when they saw my face on their television screens," you convince yourself.

As you sit contemplating how many hours you have until you receive your beloved tickets, you eat what little food you brought for the journey: cheesy crackers,



Fans spend the many hours in line playing their Nintendo. People did many different things to pass the time while waiting for their tickets, such as paint their faces, play cards, sleep, get married, quote favorite lines from the movies and play with their light sabers.

Skittles, and some stale Pop Tarts. Although it's bad, it does provide some little satisfaction within you.

Wandering around Edwards, you find yourself drawn to the Moxie Java and Zuka Juice trying to get ahold of any liquid, preferably with caffeine.

Strolling around the courtyard, your eyes focus upon two rather large people coming straight at you. You wince as they ask if you might know of an ordained minister. Your friends look at each other with baffled looks plastered across their faces. You manage to stammer out a meek, "Uhhhhh... no?" and watch as the jolly folks bound off to question another group. Your group sees them later, shortly after they have been wed. Yes, they did find an ordained minister somewhere on the premises and yes, their marriage ceremony did consist of them both having their faces painted like Darth Maul, with the costumes to match.



J. Kent Rudeen, Jeff Norris, S. Chandell Lighthill, Joel Sauder and Jason Buttles wait in front of Edwards Cinema the day before tickets went on sale. They also camped out the night before the movie was shown in order to get good seats. Some people dressed up as characters from the movie during the long wait in line. Here, Lighthill dons the face paint of the character Queen Amidala.

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pointless to go to sleep, so you huddle and scurry into Moxie Java and play Rook. Managing to stay awake on quad mochas and Vivarin, a dangerous combination, you spend the rest of the night speaking quickly and chasing cars. The sun rises and morning officially arrives.

At about 10:00 that morning, everything springs into hyperdrive. The line begins to assemble in sequence by the numbered blue tickets while the TV station vans begin to circle you like vultures. Some funny looking man with unmoving hair (regardless of the windy Idaho weather) exits one of these vans and begins to interview the fans. To pass the time, your group turns to your neighbors and begins to discuss the upcoming plot in this highly awaited flick.

A young man who knows *Star Wars* inside and out begins to explain the plot, "In a way, the first installment in the *Star Wars* epic movie adventure is a two-part story.

The first is a story about young Anakin Skywalker (Jake Lloyd), a slave boy of Mos Espa on the desert planet of Tatooine.

His skill with machinery and equipment make him a natural mechanic. He dreams of becoming a star pilot one day and longs for adventure.

If you remember Luke from Episode Four, like father, like son. Little does he know that his destiny lies as the evil Darth Vader, under Emperor Palpatine in Episodes IV, V, & VI."

"Soon a Jedi Master, Qui-Gon Jinn (Liam Neeson), befriends young Anakin and sees him to be a new Jedi who will help the monastic order of the Jedi thrive. During this time, Qui-Gon is training another Jedi who you

might recognize as Obi-Wan Kenobi (Ewan McGregor). Obi-Wan is an emerging character in this film whose more important part in the series comes later in his training of Anakin as a Jedi.

3PO also make an appearance. 3PO, in his early developmental stages, is rendered incomplete by his original maker but still functional. His worry-wart self is still eminent as he and his counterpart

is going to make it a whole lot of money at the Box-Office. Experts predict anywhere from 250-500 million dollars, while fans are thinking that it will shatter even *Titanic's* record of 600.8 million dollars. Insane psychos of the movie are guessing in excess of 800 million.

"This movie will be the beginning of the story before the Episodes IV, V, and VI (*A New Hope, The Empire Strikes Back, and Return of the Jedi*). It introduces Anakin Skywalker, who eventually becomes Darth Vader. It also explains the beginning of the Empire due to the downfall of the Jedi. This shows many of the characters that *Star Wars* fans wondered so much about when the original trilogy came out.

"Much more info is on the Official *Star Wars* Website at <http://www.starwars.com>"

As you are discussing this, you notice a man walking around with a portable chair. Stopping him to ask what the chair is for, you discover that this fellow is a professional masseuse. Without much hassle, you agree to a massage as you wait, enjoying every last moment of it. And to top that off, the news crew is right there to capture the fantastic moment on film. Could life be sweeter?

By now, most people back home think you're legally insane for embarking on such a quest. In your mind, you argue that there

were people in Los Angeles, New York, and other major cities who started camping out A MONTH before opening day. That was before they knew that the tickets were going to go on sale a week early. You insane? I think not! Just a bunch of college kids taking their newly found freedom to it's fullest extent.

You're getting closer and closer to the beginning of the line. Your pulse quickens and you begin to feel faint, but perhaps that feeling is caused by the fact that the fellow next to you hasn't showered in two or three days. Regardless, you know that your journey, at last, is nearing it's end.

Then you're there: the front of the line. You've only waited for almost two full days for this, but it's a memory that you know will last you're whole life.

All of a sudden screams come from the inside of the theater. One of the computers is down! "ARGH!" you cry as you realize your goal was just in reach.

As you try to ignore the obscenities from the person directly behind you, you know that if you can wait this long, a couple more minutes won't hurt.

As you wait for technology to take its long, winding course, you find yourself staring uncontrollably at the entrance to the theater.

Some try to approach you to ask you questions, but quickly give up once they see that you are unaware of your surroundings. One man comes to the front of the line to ask for one of the blue tickets. As it is handed over to him, your eyes catch the number gracing the top of the ticket: while yours is '120', his is '839'.

The wait is over. You've finally got them- tickets to the very first showing of Episode One. As you walk out triumphantly holding

12 tickets, you realize that even with all the ridicule and jokes that you suffered, it was all worth it. Not because you get to watch the most anticipated movie of all time. Not because you showed everyone you could do it. But because WE HAVE TICKETS AND YOU DON'T!!!



Two local teenagers play with their toy "light sabers" to pass the time until the invaluable tickets go on sale.

"Along for the ride with Obi-Wan and Qui-Gon is Jar Jar Binks, who's a kind of love child of Roger Rabbit and one sick looking chick. Anyway, he's more or less a sidekick of Qui-Gon. Some describe him as a Chewbacca with ADD and kind of the comedy relief for the film.

"Now we move to the second part of the plot. The Galactic Senate is in turmoil as a new threat emerges under the direction of someone already in the Senate; Senator Palpatine (recognize the name?). Queen Amidala (Natalie Portman), the leader of the

Senate, is trying everything in her power to keep her people under control. Appearances by Yoda and Mace Windu (Samuel L. Jackson) grace the meetings of the Senate as well.

"Fan favorites R2-D2 and C-

try to do whatever they can to help the Jedi. R2 is his same old self as a little rambunctious droid with a sense of loyalty towards his maker. His willingness to put himself into the worst of places again makes him a worthy ally to the good side of the Force.

"Wondering about the black-and-red painted, horned guy with the double-sided lightsaber? That's Darth Maul (Ray Park) who is the underling of Darth Sidious, who is the other leader in the scheme with Senator Palpatine.

Darth Maul is becoming the Boba Fett of the new movies. His posters, toys and anything that has to do with him are flying off shelves at a faster rate than any other.

"Being the most anticipated movie of the year, or even twenty-some years,



Star Wars lovers from all over the Treasure Valley camp out at the movie theater and brave sleeping in cold weather and on hard concrete in hopes of being able to go to the first showing of *Star Wars* at Edwards.



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Curling irons in body an indicator of stupidity

by Chad Cray

Crusader Staff Opinions Writer

For this week's editorial I decided to write about something I have hated ever since I was little: stupid people. Before I start, I would like to make this disclaimer: I do not have any specific people in mind as I write this article. Okay, I guess that's probably a lie. There is a very good chance I am thinking of specific individuals. Who knows, you might even be one of them, and if you are, please feel free to e-mail me about this article. My e-mail address is cjcray@idont.gi.vea.rip.

Through careful observation and study (i.e., shopping at Logan's and talking to tele-marketers) I have come to the conclusion that there are at least three categories of stupid people.

The first group of idiots are those who think they are the exception to the rule. A great example of this type of SP (stupid person) can be found in almost any parking lot on campus that has either a "no parking" or "10 min. parking" sign (or, worst of all, in a crosswalk). If either of these signs are in a parking lot, I can almost guarantee that they have a car in front of them, and, chances are, the car in the 10 min. zone doesn't even have an engine in it.

Another example of this type of SP is the one who takes 27 items

through the express line, pays for them using a damaged credit card, which the cashier (who fits in another category of SP's) insists on scanning until her arm falls off or the card works. Fortunately, this type of SP is relatively harmless but is also incredibly annoying and irritating. Especially if

The first group of idiots...think they are the exception to the rule...this type can be found in almost any parking lot on campus that has a "no parking" sign.

you try to argue with them. I tried it once and actually lost IQ points in the process.

The second type of SP is often overlooked and can be hard to spot. This is the person who completely overlooks the obvious. The chances of actually meeting this person is rare (unless you run

into the cashier mentioned above), but you can often read about him. For instance, a couple years ago, I happened to look at the warning on a curling iron. To my surprise, the warning did not provide any practical information but informed me that when the curling iron was hot, it should not be placed in any "bodily orifices."

Now, what this tells me is that several years ago somebody was taken to the hospital with a curling iron cauterized to the inside of his nose (this probably happened in the 80's, when men still curled their hair), and, as a result, the curling iron company was required to place a warning label on their irons.

Of course, it is debatable as to who is stupider, the person with the iron in his nose or the person who decided that curling irons need a disclaimer on them as if this were a common problem.

It should also be noted that this particular type of SP is also responsible for the chainlink fence around the grand canyon, the "keep out" signs on the bear exhibit at the zoo, and the warning signs at McDonald's that let us know that the hot beverages are, in fact, served quite hot.

The third type of SP is the one who asks stupid questions or questions that nobody would answer honestly. If you have a phone and are over 18, then I'm pretty sure you have dealt with this type

of person. We can all thank credit card companies for this, because they seem to hire people who take this type of stupidity to a professional level. In fact, just the other day, I received a call from a very persistent SP tele-marketer. Our conversation was as follows:

Tele-marketer: "Hello, is this Mr. Chad Cray?"

Me: "Yes."

Tele-marketer: "Hi....(insert 15 min. sales pitch here).... Can I interest you in our credit card?"

Me: "No thanks. I have no money, I'm in debt up to my ears already, I have all the credit cards I need, and I wouldn't even have time to use them because of all the school work I still have to do."

Tele-marketer: "OH!! So you

ARE a college student! Well then, could I interest you in our credit card that is designed FOR college students? It will allow you to... (insert 20 min. sales pitch here), so, does that sound like something you would be interested in?

Me: -sound of hair being pulled out-

Tele-marketer: "Okay! I'm glad you have decided to apply for our card! Now all I

need to do is ask you a few simple questions!"

Well, I have outlined the three main categories of stupid people, but stay tuned for next week's article in which I will discuss something that is even worse than stupid people: stupid institutions!

Staff Infection

I don't want to see that, it's too artsy fartsy....Elvis! I used to celebrate Elvis' birthday every year...is this Elvis?...I wonder what would happen if I shaved my eyebrows...Good thing I never shaved my arms...You will not believe the disgusting things that take place at this school...Come on Brooke, we're all grown up here...I LIKE to shoot things!...What's the point of lingerie, the final goal is nudity...Pooptionschlock, get in here!...No, that's what I call Kara...and everybody...I eat practically everything...Hey, my aunt is a professional artist and it runs in the family...Every girl in this office thinks that Will is HOT!...This popcorn is 94% fat free..Yeah, that six percent goes straight to my thighs!...My grandfather told my parents not to name me Brooke because people would call me Babbling Brooke... Oh my gosh, I can totally see that you look like an Alan Jackson kid, Will!...Okay I need one more thing--Nathan, say something brilliant...Hey, where did Brooker-wookers go?...

Letter to the Editor

I would like to respond to Jamon Payne's submission to the Opinions section of the Crusader ("Alcohol policy limits exercising of personal convictions...", April 27, 1999). Although Jamon made some good points about exercising freedom as young adults, I feel the issue wasn't explored in very great detail.

First, I wish Jamon would have given us his definition of the "Real World".

He only mentioned that the Real World granted us certain legal rights that NNC does not, such as legally consuming alcohol. I got the impression from his article that the experience of entering the Real World upon graduating from NNC was like Alice entering Wonderland.

place fraught with dangers unknown and situations completely unlike anything those students had ever even dreamed about. I hope to show that there is much more to this issue, and that Real Life is much more present on NNC's campus than many of you may think.

First, can anyone really be certain that each student would learn how to drink responsibly? Would the burden of teaching this Life Lesson fall on NNC's administration? Back to the first question: what about the students who abuse this right? A student who abuses the consumption of alcohol would likely suffer to some degree academically, socially, spiritually, emotionally, and physically. That's a heavy price

to pay for something that could have been gained by abstaining until a comfortable level of maturity was reached, possibly long after graduation from NNC.

Second, who says that we learn Real World lessons only through our own experience? That is one way, but are these experiences meant to be a sort of immunization--- can we defend against these temptations unless

we first encounter the disease? I say that we can, and we all do in different ways, even here at NNC.

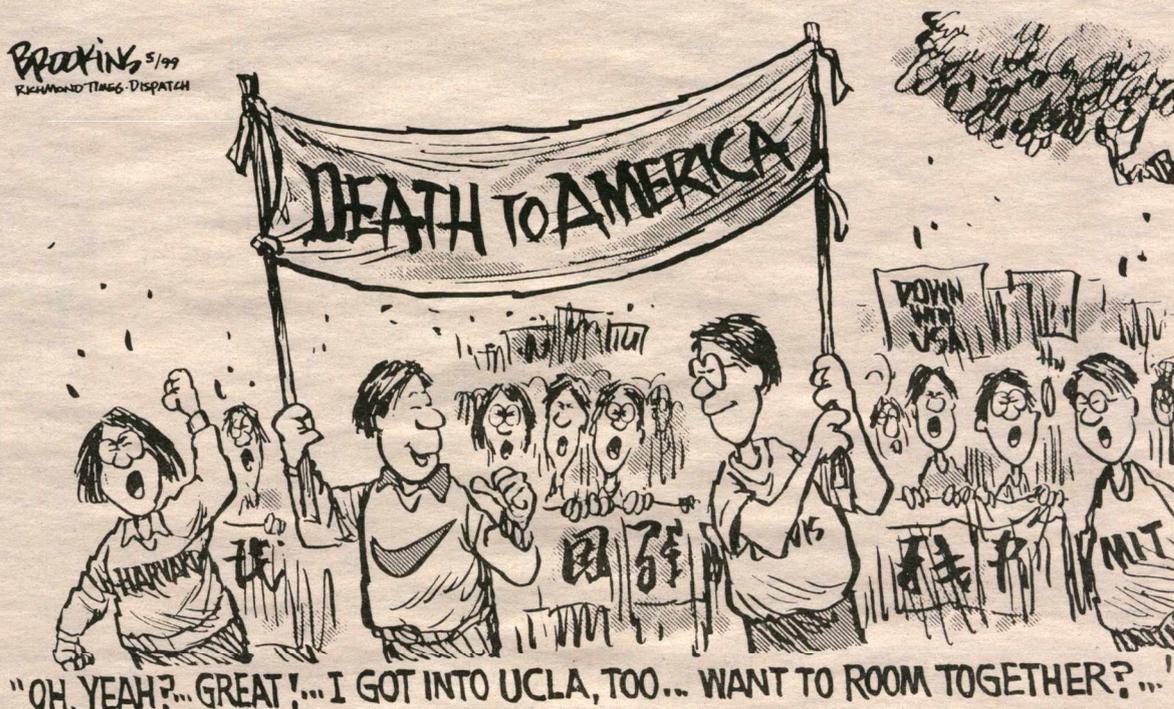
I worked at a fly-fishing ranch/resort near West Yellowstone the summer after my sophomore year at NNC and worked with

people who took great pleasure in consuming large quantities of alcohol and smoking whenever the urge hit them. Many of these people were between 17 and 21 years of age and were, for the most part, the most miserable, selfish and immature people I have ever known.

I learned from that experience (and from situations with many friends and acquaintances in high school) that alcohol consumption was something that I would probably be better off without. Did I have to exercise my freedom to do so in order to make this decision? Not at all. I learned from observing others.

The point of my second question is that we can learn a lot by observing others. NNC's policies may endeavor to keep certain things from entering our campus,

Every student is frequently thrust into the Real World...if any student feels too sheltered, it's by his or her own choice, not by NNC's design.



but none of them forbid the students from leaving the campus. Every student is frequently thrust into the Real World through off-campus and summer jobs, internships, mission trips, community involvement, campus ministry clubs, etc., etc... If any student feels too sheltered, it's by his or her own choice, not by NNC's design.

Let's talk a bit about what NNC students do learn that prepares them for the Real World. They learn that money isn't everything. They learn how to lead, how to serve and when one or the other is most needed. They are led carefully through the tricky waters of taking ownership of their faith---discovering what they believe and why they believe it---and how to communicate that belief to others. They learn that success does not come from money and status, but from who they are and the decisions they make.

They learn how to be good stewards of their time and money. They learn that Love is much more than just a feeling---it's the bond that gives life to us all, but only if we give it as Jesus gave it: unconditionally and without reservation. NNC students gain wisdom, and in my book, one Wisdom is worth two Real Life experiences any day!

How do I know this? I have practically lived at NNC for 25 years. In that time, I've come to know literally hundreds of NNC students, and I'd argue that a much higher percentage of them are prepared for Real Life than what I've seen from secular schools.

Jamon made the assertion that "NNC should refrain from restrictions on behavior of the real world, and rather teach from a context of being responsible stewards of the freedoms granted out-

side this little bubble called home." I hope I have shown that you are being taught responsible stewardship in many different areas of your lives.

DISCLAIMER:

Always remember that policy doesn't make choices for students, students make their own choices! Students can choose at any time to make their own Real Life experiences with alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and sex, just as they can choose not to gain the aforementioned wisdom that is offered to every student on our campus. Policy only provides a framework which, in NNC's case, is built on cultivated years of wisdom, rather than a simple heavy-handed conservative denominational edict.

Shane Powers
Office of Admission & Financial Aid, NNC Alumni

Your Turn

Random answers from random people on random issues

"What was the best part about camping out for Star Wars?"



Armarna Raynolds Freshman History Ed. Newport, OR

"Watching the two Darth Mauls get married. They were both 500+, wore lots of make-up and were very scary."



James Bowser Sophomore Gen. Studies Hermiston, OR

"My parents camped out for Star Wars and so did I. How historic!"



Carrie Franks Freshman Music Ed. Hermiston, OR

"I think the best part was meeting all the fun people and getting a sun burn."



Jeff Norris Senior Pre-Phys. Ther. Roseburg, OR

"I got lots of studying done and I got to sit out in the sun and talk with people."

Women's and Men's IM Softball Schedule

	#1	#2
5/18		
5:00	M3-M12	M5-M14
6:30	M7-M16	M9-M2
5/19		
5:00	M11-M4	M13-M6
5/20		
5:00	M15-M8	M1-M12
6:30	M3-M14	M5-M16
5/24		
5:00	M7-M2	M9-M4
6:30	M11-M6	M13-M8
5/25		
5:00	M15-M10	M1-M14
6:30	M3-M16	M5-M2
5/26		
5:00	M7-M4	M9-M6
5/27		
5:00	M11-M8	M13-M10
6:30	M15-M12	

Team numbers

Men's teams

- 1 Blitzkrieg
- 2 S.P.O.W.A.
- 3 The Manson Family
- 4 The Smackdown Hotel
- 5 Sherwin Williams Paint Squad
- 6 4-D
- 7 Rob Russell All-Stars
- 8 The Posse (3rd Floor)
- 9 Team Dean
- 10 Special Olympics
- 11 Team Downie
- 12 Team Leaf
- 13 MS & Company
- 14 No Clue
- 15 Special Ed
- 16 Sutherland 2W

Women's teams

- 1 Grasshoppers
- 2 Peaches
- 3 Team Blenker
- 4 Team Fitch
- 5 Women's B-ball
- 6 Schmak Mamas
- 7 Team Swanson



An intramural softball participant gets a big hit during one of the past weeks' games. Championship softball games will be played during the first week of June.

Time Out

with

Mark Pounds

Mark really will be speaking; his wife will not be having a baby again. Promise. With an extra week to perfect his message, everyone has to go & hear what he says. Because it is the polite thing to do.

Your campus sports briefs

Fish football

Upcoming are the fish football games sponsored by the Psychology Club as a fundraiser, in hopes that this will become an NNC tradition. Games will be played with a real fish in place of a football. The fish football games will take place on June 5 at the track. There are sign-ups for men's and women's teams on the intramural board outside of Marriott.

There is no cost per team but the Psych Club will, however, be selling event t-shirts costing \$8.00 plain or \$8.50 each with your team's name on it. Be sure to get your own souvenir fish football shirt! Contact Melissa Hardy at 8504 or Carlyann Sandidge at 463-4465 if you have questions about the upcoming event.

Sharp Points

A fencing tournament will be held in the gym on May 22. This will be the second tournament held on our campus and the first to be entirely run by the NNC Fencing Club. There will be three events in the tournament: electric foil, saber and epee.

Several NNC students will be participating in the tournament, as well as fencers in clubs from around the state. The fun starts at 8:00 am and will continue for most of the rest of the day. Come and learn about the ancient, graceful art of dueling and sword play.

Racquetball

The intramural racquetball tournament is finally over. Kudos should be given to all who participated. The final match was a showdown between the two undefeated masters, junior Jose Melendez and freshman Jeff Fouche.

No specific details are known about the match, but rumors are flying about the amount of blood shed during the highly intense game. All that is known for certain is that Fouche is now officially the campus racquetball champion. Congratulate him the next time you see him.

Summer Jobs at the Beach!

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Malibu Days!

Also coming up soon is the always fun Malibu Days. There will be many activities, including a co-ed volleyball tournament, numerous water fights and spontaneous games of football in the mud pit between Dooley and Culver. Start getting your teams together now, if nothing else, to practice for fish football the next weekend.

A week in intramural softball; sport of choice

Peaches & Team Downie emerge winners

by Ryan Dooley

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It may be hard for some to believe, but the sun was actually shining upon the two softball fields of Northwest Nazarene College on Monday. Players are

through Thursday, an exhibition game between Blitzkrieg and Team Downie and a couple of make-up games for the women's teams who needed them.

First, a review of the men's games. It was a long afternoon for Special Olympics as they played against the Sherwin Williams Paint Squad. Special Olympics were unable to produce the runs they needed. There bats finally connected in the fifth inning and they ended up scoring a total of ten runs, but this was not enough as they went on to lose 30-13. Thanks to Big Jimmy and his homers over the fence, it was

est games of the season. The heat was on in this match-up as both teams fought back and forth for the lead and saw themselves enter the eighth inning, and then the ninth, and yes, a tenth and final inning, when Team Dean finally put the hurt on No Clue for the win, with a score of 10-8.

On that same day and that very same field, Breck Erickson's team, MS & Company, and S.P.O.W.A. battled it out for a win. The game started at 0-0, but ended up with a score of 30-0 in favor of S.P.O.W.A. Okay, so it wasn't really much of a battle, but just wait and see. MS & Company could be stronger than people think they are. Take, for example, Monday's game, where the bats were rocking on a different field and over a different team.

In the sixth inning MS & Company ended up scoring not one, not two, but seven whole runs. According to the official scorebook, however, those runs didn't count, and the final score was not 11-7, but 11-0. There's that 0 again. It might be time for the first official practice for that team.

Blitzkrieg pulled off a couple of wins this week, except an unofficial loss to Team Downie in an exhibition game that managed to stay close from beginning to end. In a look at team scoring, it was an extra-inning game that took the teams along time to play. The final score showed Team Downie with the win by a score of 8-7, and proof that the defending champs

evident that Sherwin Williams Paint Squad would indeed pull out the "W."

On day two, May 11, No Clue and Team Dean had what this umpire considers one of the clos-

reminded to be sure to drink lots of water if it's going to be hot.

Intramural softball was loaded with many games this week, from regularly scheduled games being held on Monday



Brian Staffenson of Special Olympics fields the ball in Monday night's game against Blitzkrieg. Both teams showed excellent defense, with Blitzkrieg emerging triumphant in the end.



In their Monday night game against Blitzkrieg, an uprooted base was the least of Special Olympic's problems as Blitzkrieg eventually won 9-3.



Freshman Mike Dickerson of Special Ed makes the double play from second against 4-D. 4-D went on to win, 23-12.

could be on their way to the Championships again.

Team Downie is going to have their work cut out for them, as Sherwin Williams Paint Squad is looking at ruining their chances and taking home the victory t-Shirts. Good luck to whoever wins, and remember that maybe the winner could even be MS & Company.

The Manson Family went into their game with an undefeated record, but ended up being handed their first loss as the Special Olympics ten-runned them with a score of 16-6. The Manson Family did, however, look strong in the second due to a homerun from Gerry Singleberry.

Bear and his gang went into their game Thursday evening thinking they could be the first ones to hand down a loss to that paint team, but were instead given the loss in a 16-3 defeat.

The Rob Russell All-Stars pulled off a win as they showed No Clue that each of their players can hit and each managed to score at least one run. Only five players out of the eleven on the team scored one run.

And how about the ladies? Starting with the game on Monday when Schmack Mama's schmacked the ball a lot but were handed a loss when Peaches pulled out there bats and fired in a grand total of 20 runs in the last inning. Peaches ended up winning early since they had ten-runned Schmack Mama's in five innings.

Team Swanson ended up taking their game on Wednesday by

a score of 25-4. One day later, the women's basketball team and Grasshoppers each took a forfeit.

The wildest game of the year had to be the make-up game between Peaches and Team Swanson. Actually, wild may be too tame of a word to describe the game. I was kept on my toes by humor followed by more humor.

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It was a crazy game and even though it was cold, the teams kept on playing. In fact, the game went on until about 8:15 or so, making it an exceptionally long game.

They wouldn't have been able to play a full game, except for the foresight of some benevolent soul who reset the timer on the softball field's automatic sprinklers. When the game finally came to a close, the final score was 27-25.

This coming week promises to be just as interesting, if not more, in the world of sports on campus as the 1999 Intramural Softball season continues. This week there will only be men's games as we close in on the end of the season and the playoffs.

Playoffs will be posted outside on the intramural board soon and then we will see who goes and who stays home. Championships will be played during the first week of June or the last week of classes, depending on how you look at it.

Come out and sit a spell on the grass as the games continue and as the sun shines down, finally! Cross your fingers that this nice weather continues, but remember, rain or shine, it's softball time!

Midsummer Night's Dream a spectacular work of art

There are few movies completely predestined to be successes or failures, but as I walked into the Egyptian theater at Edwards to watch *William Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream*, I knew there were only two ways to rate this movie: Either it would be a complete flop, butchering my all-time favorite Shakespeare play of all time, (and thus causing me to hate every actress/actor who plays a part in it), or it would somehow grab my attention and my heart and reaffirm every reason I have for loving the story and characters of this fabulous comedy. Fortunately, the combination of excellent acting, beautiful costume and set design, and an incredible adaptation by the director, Michael Hoffman, produced a movie that did nothing less than satisfy (and in many ways surpass) my expectations.



For those who haven't read or seen the play before, Shakespeare tells the story of immortal creatures like the fairy queen Titania, played by Michelle Pfeiffer,

square really) in which both Demetrius (Christian Bale) and Lysander (Dominic West) are after the heart of Hermia (Anna Friel). Although Hermia has already been promised by her father to Demetrius, Lysander has managed to win her love in secret and the two run away together before Hermia can be forced to marry Demetrius. To further complicate matters, Helena (played by Calista Flockhart), is infatuated with Demetrius and follows him around wherever he goes.

Oberon, her king, played by Rupert Everett, and Puck, servant to Oberon, played by Victor Tucci, who involve themselves in the lives of five human beings. Titania has a potion placed in her eyes and awakens to find herself in love with a human named Bottom, played by Kevin Kline. The other four human beings are members of a love triangle (well,

When Demetrius learns of Hermia and Lysander's flight he follows them into the woods with Helena right behind him. There Oberon and Puck see the situation and conspire to make Demetrius love Hermia every bit as much as she loves him. Despite their good intentions, a little confusion by Puck about which boy is for which girl leaves both Lysander

and Demetrius in love with Helena and Hermia at a loss as to why their affections have changed.

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Starring
Kevin Kline

Reviewed by
Kadee Wirick



From there, the immortals eventually straighten things out for the mortals, but rather than telling you exactly how, I'll just say that you need to see the movie for yourself.

The acting in this movie was absolutely incredible. In particular Kline, Flockhart, Tucci and West fit their roles down to the last detail, each providing the neces-

sary emotion and character development to carry the play. Pfeiffer, Bale, Everett and Friel also turned in excellent performances.

The best scene to look for is definitely the one near the end, where Kline and his compadres act out the play Pyrimus and Thisbe. This scene had everyone in the audience rolling, and every single bit of comedy was played up to its fullest potential. The rest of the movie is great as well, although a few times the scenes between Kline and Pfeiffer get a bit obnoxious.

A word of warning: there is partial nudity throughout the movie and the production is every bit as sensual as Shakespeare intended it to be. If that absolutely offends you and you insist on commenting about it in shocked tones to your friends, declaring it to be a brainchild of Satan, DON'T go see this movie. If, however, you can handle it and appreciate the beauty and genius of this work, absolutely go and see it for yourself. True Shakespeare fans will love this remake of one of the best works of the greatest playwright of all time.

Election leaves much to be desired for viewers

Not only were the lines at Edwards incredibly long, but I had to pay even more than before to stand and wait in them. But such is another night at the theaters. After recuperating from the cost and the massive amount of people, at long last I arrived in my seat. I wasn't sure quite what to expect, but I settled in and watched as the opening credits rolled onto the screen and *Election* began to play out in front of me.

I went into this movie with a little bias, and unfortunately all of my expectations were met. There has been a plethora of movies with high school themes out this season, none of which have really made a good impression on me, and most of which have been rather mean-spirited. *Election* became another one on my list.

The story line shows little potential, as the movie is based on the upcoming elections at George Washington Carver High School, and the student government advisor, Jim McAllister, (played by Matthew Broderick) gets a little more involved than usual. The obvious winner of the student government presidency is the painfully over-achieving Tracy Flick (played by Reese Witherspoon), who is involved in

every aspect of the high school, and McAllister decides to play the cards differently and upset the

Election

Starring
Matthew Broderick
Reese Witherspoon

Reviewed by
Mindy Oldenkamp



natural course of events. He pushes forth his own candidate, Paul Metzler. Metzler, (played by Chris Klein) is simply out of his league as Flick has already set her goal and lets nothing get in her path, especially a slow-witted football player like Metzler.

The only thing that keeps this movie remotely interesting is that Metzler's younger sister, Tammy (played by Jessica Campbell) who just never seems to quite fit in, also

decides to run for president with a "no government is good government" mentality.

The movie proceeds as if this election were immensely important, and manipulation runs rampant. Jim loses sight of what his moral responsibilities are and where he should draw the lines, and the control he once had in his life is long gone. I was offended by the strong sexuality in the movie as a teacher/student affair suddenly becomes something that



can be laughed at. I also don't enjoy the continuous dialogue of swearing. To top this off, it seems to me that drug use is being encouraged by this film and that it was okay to rub out the

lines between right and wrong.

This movie, although at times mildly funny and slightly entertaining, was at the most mean and painful to watch. Its attempts to show some sort of parallel to a real government election are both disturbingly true and yet out of place at the high school level. I didn't appreciate the lack of morals or the lack of concern in any of the main characters. Overall, this movie is just another comedy with all the wrong jokes.

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Possum - by Ryan Close



Canadian military contemplates first combat bra

Whatever you are doing, drop it right now, unless it is a baby. Because I have obtained some shocking information regarding our National Security — information that I am going to reveal to you now, despite the chilling fact that, by revealing it, I am placing myself in direct, personal peril of winning a Pulitzer Prize.

This information concerns some alarming military research currently being conducted by a foreign power that represents the greatest single security threat to the United States, as measured not only by the magnitude of the physical danger, but also by the number of Celine Dion records.

That's right: I am referring to Canada. As you may recall, last year I urged the United States to declare war on Canada over the issue of toilet smuggling. In the United States, we have a federal law, enacted by Congress, requiring that new consumer toilets be limited to 1.6 gallons of water per flush. There is an excellent reason for this law: Congress has the brains of an eggplant. But that does not change the fact that it is a law.

Canada, however, flagrantly

disobeys this law, on the grounds that — get THIS for a legal technicality — it is a foreign country. In Canada, anybody, including convicted felons and underage children, can walk into any toilet store, purchase a 3.5-gallon-per-flush toilet and openly flaunt it on the street, and the authorities do NOTHING. As I reported, some of these toilets are finding their way across the border into the United States. And what is our government doing? It is shooting cruise missiles at the Balkans, which do not even HAVE toilets.

When are we, as a nation, going to wake up and recognize the REAL threat to our security? No doubt you are aware that just recently, in our nation's capital (Washington, D.C.), a number of highly strategic cherry trees were deliberately chewed by saboteur beavers. Ask yourself this: "Where do beavers come from?" The Balkans? No! Beavers come from Canada, and they take their orders from Canada and nobody else, as you know if you have ever tried to get one to fetch a ball.

And now, as if we did not already have enough reasons to

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declare war on Canada, comes word of this chilling research being conducted by the Canadian military. I have here a news article from the Canadian Press, written by Dennis Bueckert and sent to me, at great personal risk, by an alert secret undercover agent in Canada named Lauren Leighton, M.D. This article, about a new Canadian armed-forces program, contains the following chilling sentence, which I swear I am not making up:

"An elite unit at National Defense headquarters is actively studying whether to proceed with development of the world's first combat bra."

You read that correctly: The Canadian military is working on a combat brassiere. The article quotes Capt. Frank Delanghe, an officer with the \$184 million Clothe the Soldier Program, as saying: "No army that I know of has ever touched or even approached this issue."

How can we, the American public, remain sanguine in the face of this news? Especially when we do not really know what "sanguine" means? How can we sit back and do nothing when an increasingly hostile, beaver-infested, big-toilet nation spends \$184 million (nearly \$37.50 American) on a program to develop a high-tech futuristic assault undergarment? How would you feel if you were an American soldier guarding our northern border, equipped with only a conventional brassiere — the basic design of which has not changed significantly since the Korean Conflict — knowing that at any moment, elite Canadian troops could come charging across No Person's Land toward you, and the first sight you would see — a sight that would strike terror into the heart of even the most hardened combat veteran — would be the Cones of Doom?

And while we are asking the tough questions, I have one here that was sent in by concerned reader Margaret Wilson of Santa Barbara, Calif., who wants to know: How come we say "a pair of pants" and "a pair of shorts,"

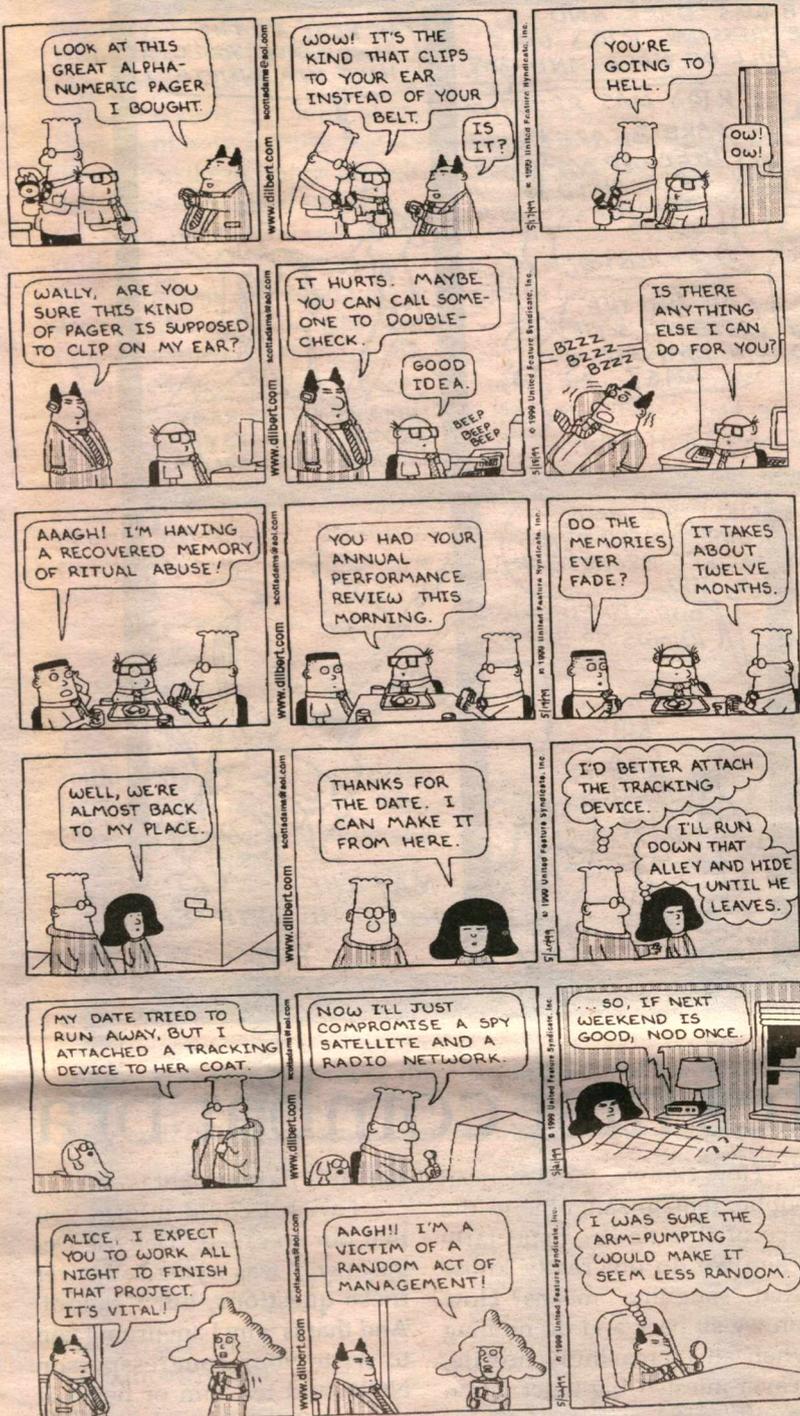
but NOT "a pair of bras"?

I wish I could inform you that our so-called "Defense Department" was trying to answer these questions, but I cannot. And that is why I am urging you to write your congressperson NOW and tell him or her that you want the United States to launch a massive wasteful federal program to match Canada's military undergarment research. Please keep your letter dignified. Do NOT lower yourself to cheesy wordplay such as "support our troops," or "stay abreast of our enemies," or "check out the Balkans on that lieutenant." If we can get Congress to approve such a program, I have no doubt that the President will take a personal interest, especially when he realizes that, once we have perfected the Tactical Field Brassiere, we could adapt the same technology for even more advanced weapons. I am referring, of course, to the Stealth Thong.

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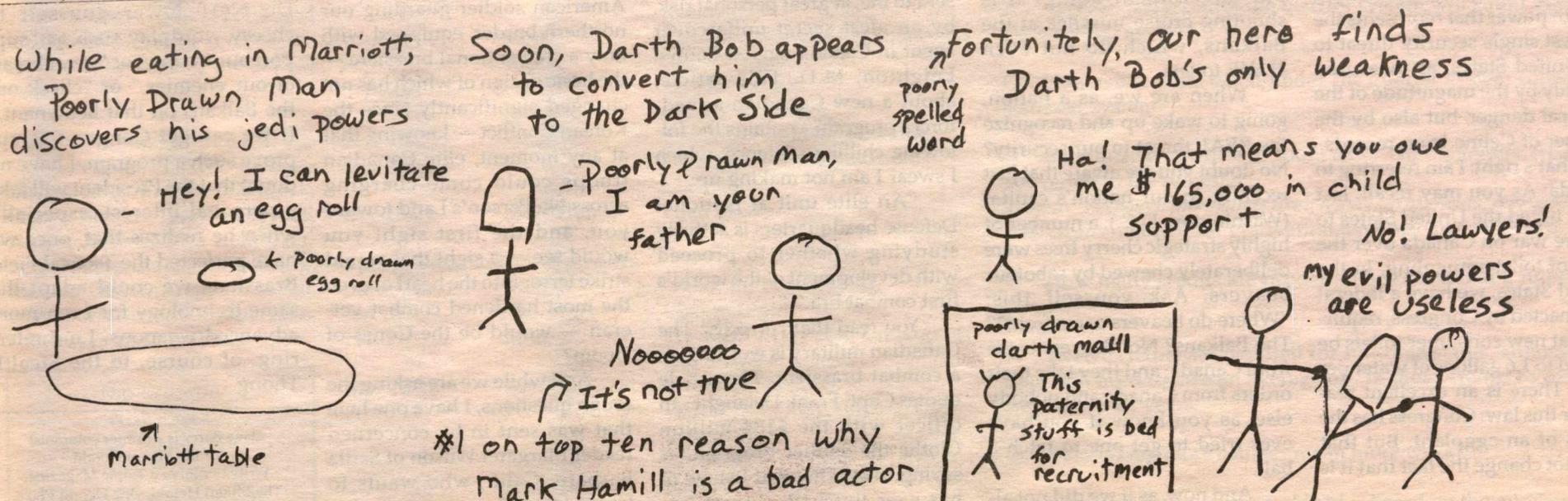
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