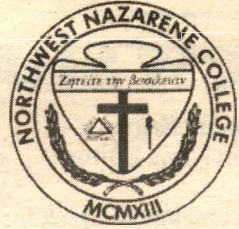


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## Malibu Days make a big splash



(Photo by Amy Carner)



By Esther Heath  
Staff Writer

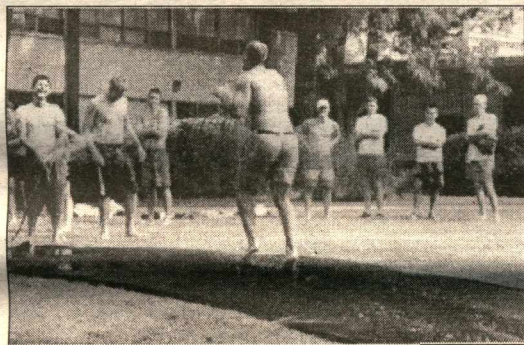
Picture this-Caribbean tropical beaches, seashells in the sand, beach boy's "Kokomo" wafting in the air, very bare bodies (Speedos) and Pina Colodas available from near-by vendors.

Did you experience this very description this weekend? Malibu Days this year reinstalled a former tradition of Malibu Days at the beginning of the year, rejoicing in the hot sun and cool breezes.

You may wonder why Malibu was at the beginning of the year. As with everything, the semester system changed the traditional timing of Malibu. Because we end school so much earlier this year, Malibu would be too cold to have all of the traditional bare bodies as usual.

Café Malibu had some of the best drinks and servers yet, while the karaoke was indeed "tone-deaf" in some of the instances and in others-very impressive. Café Malibu set the tone to the rest of the weekends activities-inviting a wild and carefree attitude.

Malibu days are not for the shy and timid. Buck-buck takes courage and eating the pig at the Lieu-au a stomach of steel. Shane



(Photo by Amy Carner)

Marshall-sophomore PC this year stated, "the food was good-bomb-diggety." For all of the people that slept out on the lawn at night-Congratulations-your courage is very commendable.

A new tradition was Nick at Night with free candy and popcorn. Around thirty people stayed up into the wee hours enjoying classic TV and cuddling.

Another nice touch, Jamba Juice, offered three flavors for only a dollar. But there seems to be a hands-down vote that Twister was the best and event of all.

The water games produced various reactions. Justin Metzger states "Malibu was fantastic. There were so



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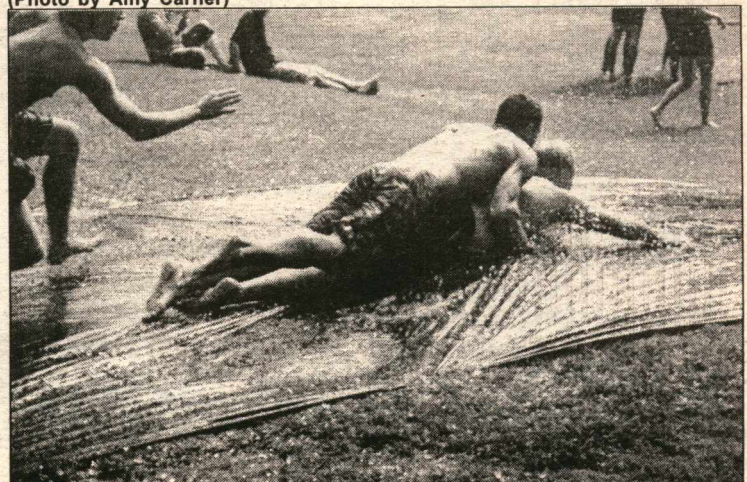
many people and the girls were hot as ever. I am never disappointed."

Others said, "The Muddy area was not saturated enough. The karaoke was O.K because it was the only structured activity during Malibu."

Bethany Dwello summed up the whole Malibu weekend "it was interesting but would have been more fun had there been more involvement. It was weird having it at the beginning of the year but a lot of fun."

We look forward to experiencing Malibu days next year.

(Photo by Amy Carner)





# New students get to know each other and school

By Lynette Brown  
Campus News Editor

Orientation week for the new students of 2000-20001 will be a week to be remembered. Moving in, making friends, learning more names than one could remember, and saying goodbye to parents were some of the events that will be in the memories for years to come. Along with these experiences, NNU had many activities for the students to do.

On Saturday, every freshmen met with the students who would be in their Freshmen Seminar class for a service project. Along with two student leaders and one member of Student Development, these students went out into the community of Nampa, and helped to make a difference.

The different groups went to the homes of people in need and accomplished a variety of projects ranging from washing windows to painting houses. Though the projects required hard work, each student rose to the challenge and did a good job.

After a long day of work, it was a night of fun and Roller Scamming. The theme was Pajama-rama, and everyone got into the theme.

On Sunday, the new students had a great time with the Rendezvous Dinner. The freshmen were once again in their groups for Freshmen Seminar, and had a great time getting to know upperclassmen, as well as professors.

The transfer students had the opportunity to get to know each other at the Brick House. Playing games and a good meal played a huge role in the "getting to know you" process.

The next morning, the freshmen had more activities to pursue. A new popular event this year was called "Prioritize This."

Members of Student Development, Resident Directors and the Student Leaders were involved as well.

The freshmen had to make goals for their "first year of college" in the areas of

*"I thought the activities like 'Prioritize This' were very helpful and worthwhile. They were especially fun for us student leaders."*

~David Kadel

"chapel" service, to getting ten people together to do a wave.

During the "semester," some student leaders were floaters, who handed out emergency cards that could either take off points, or add points depending on the circumstance written on the card.

After Prioritize This was finished, the groups once again gathered to do another exercise called the Labeling Exercise.

In this activity, each student was given a card with a stereotype to be put around his or her neck, not knowing what it says. Each participant was told to choose five people they thought were the sort of people they could live with on their wing.

The students then asked people in the circle if they had made their list. After everyone had a chance, they found out what their label said, and they had the opportunity to discuss what it felt like to be picked or not. The discussions often got into what it felt like to really be stereotyped, and what could be done to change stereotyping.

Though the week was busy, the new students had a great start to what will be an awesome year. Each student got involved in what was thrown their way, and got to know many new people.

If the events of Orientation Week are any indication, be sure to pay attention to the new people on this campus—they are a wonderful group of people who have a lot to offer to NNU! We hope that NNU can live up to, and maybe even exceed their expectations!

academics, leadership, social, spiritual and health categories.

Once the goals were made, they had sixteen minutes to try and fulfill some of the goals for first semester, with a three-minute break at "midterm."

They had time to revise their goals, if necessary, then they had sixteen minutes to complete second semester with another three-minute announcement.

The activities that helped to achieve the goals ranged from visiting a "professor" about sleeping through a major test to attending a

## NNU Summer Ministry Groups share at home

By Sonya Wold  
Copy Editor

Nampa First Church of the Nazarene was the location of this year's NNU Summer Ministry Group's Homecoming Concert. This past Sunday evening many NNU students and professors attended this event. It was a time for the groups to share about their exciting summer experiences and the things that God had taught them.

Covenant, which consisted of Melissa, Keegan, Scott, Jodie, Chad, Carrie, Kami, Jayme, and Michael T., opened the evening

with a few of their songs including one of my all time favorites by F.F.H., "Big Fish."

On a more serious note, the group members took a few minutes and shared some things going on in their own walks with the Lord. Melissa Mottram really hit home for me when she talked about how God taught her that she did not have to carry around the baggage of bitterness and hurt any longer. She could give everything to God to carry around instead of doing it herself, because God is so much stronger. It was great to hear how God worked in her life and

the others lives too.

Witness, the group that traveled to six junior high camps included members Janelle, Jenni, Jimmy, and Joe. A video showed the highlights of their summer. It looks like the group was involved in some pretty crazy, but at the same time, fun activities. Jenelle Smith mentioned that it was the most rewarding summer of her life and I think the whole group felt the sameway about their travel experience.

The last group to perform was Parable, which was the drama group that traveled to a variety of

senior high camps including Pinelaw Park (Yeah Northwest District). Kadee, Nate, Sherri, Kara, Kevin, and Mike were the members of this group.

They presented a powerful skit about the life and teachings of Jesus. The scene where Kara Lyons was playing the married couple's mother at the wedding where Jesus turned water into wine is hilarious. One of the more serious scenes was when Sherri Borger, playing the boy with two fish and five loaves offered her lunch to Jesus.

It was a reminder that no

matter what we have, if we bring it to Jesus, He can use us in miraculous ways.

Many times people don't think they have anything to offer the Lord, but the skit reminded us that we need to be open to God's plan.

It was exciting to hear about the experiences of each of the different groups, whether on a spiritual level or just having a good time. God really used our students to do Kingdom work this summer. Thank you for all your hard work travel groups! Your dedication and willing spirit to serve others is greatly appreciated!

## L.E.A.D. offers time of fun, preparation for year

By Dawn Stuvland  
Crusader Staff Writer

The deep blue lake, towering green trees, and looming mountains of McCall proved a picturesque backdrop for L.E.A.D. (Leading, Equipping and Developing), our school's annual leadership retreat.

This year's theme was "Provoke One Another," based on 1 Peter 3:8, Philippians 2:1-2, and 1 Corinthians 12:4-7. Chaplain Gene urged us to provoke and encourage each other on in our spiritual walks and in our leadership positions on campus this year.

We kicked L.E.A.D. off at Corlett, with dinner and announcements. The next morning we made some L.E.A.D. history by hitting the shovels and heading to a nearby park for community service.

Several hours and a couple blisters later, we left the park with the satisfaction of completing a project that the city would not have had time to do

for a year or more.

After dinner we gathered in the Brandt Center to listen to an amazing speaker, Cynthia Tobias. She opened our minds and eyes to the many different ways we as individuals function, in her workshop entitled, *Getting to Know The Way We Work*. Tobias is an author, mother, and learning styles expert.

After an invigorating game of Capture the Flag that ended in a stalemate. We slept for a few hours and then loaded up the vans and bus early the next morning and headed for McCall.

Quaker Hill Friends Camp is a small camp, nestled in tall trees across from the lake. The next few days we had times of fellowship, great seminars on leadership and counseling, and time to spend alone with God in the beauty of His creation.

Everyone was assigned a task group, which consisted of all the Resident Assistants from one dorm and the Resident Director, all the Peer Counselors, Bible

Study Leaders, or all of the Student Government Leaders.

We also had separate family groups where we talked with others about the devotional questions or challenges presented to us by speakers.

Whether we were canoeing on the lake, spending time alone in prayer, or sharing with the group what God was teaching us, for most it was an incredible spiritual renewal.

Many students had been to L.E.A.D. in the past, and were very excited with this year's retreat.

"It was better than last year. The activities were better for bonding, they really drew us closer and there was more of a sense of fellowship," Nikolai Yunge commented on this year.

There were also many first timers to L.E.A.D. "I had no expectations for what it would be like, but it was a great time of unity. We have a great group this year," Ryan Pike noted.

Probably one of the most

unifying times we had was when we all split up in to our task groups and did the ropes course together. Personal bubbles were popped right away, and we all worked well together so well, encouraging and helping each other to accomplish our goals.

Having fourteen people, highlighted by two guys who could count as two or three people each, on a 4' X 4' platform that each person had to swing out to, was perhaps the Culver and Ford RA's greatest accomplishment. We still all feel very close.

Even though Idaho is burning up and has a fire ban, we created a pretend campfire and had great worship and sharing times around it.

The purpose of L.E.A.D. (as it says in the L.E.A.D. handbook) is "equipping and developing student leaders and Student Development staff in order to serve the students of NNU."

One of the goals for L.E.A.D. is, "to develop a sense of unity among the various student

leaders groups with trust, respect, understanding, and appreciation."

It seems that L.E.A.D. this year was a success, as there was overwhelming testimony from students and faculty that this year is definitely going to be a special year for this campus. Though not planned, that seemed to be the theme of the testimonies.

"It really united us as student leaders, and got me excited for the year. I set a lot of spiritual goals, and I know that when you go into the year with high expectations, you can really see God work that way," said Jennifer Hopping.

"We got to know people that we normally hadn't talked to, and even had never seen. Now we talk each other all the time," Katie Betts added.

This year has a great number of dedicated student leaders. Each of us anxiously look forward to what God has in store for NNU this year!



# Ministry to Young Mothers provides friendship

By Jessica Cunningham  
and Megan Griff  
Crusader Guest Writers

Being part of a ministry club that works with thirteen to nineteen year old pregnant teens is not something we thought we would be doing our freshman year in college. In fact, we questioned whether we could really make a difference in these girls' lives at all.

However, after experienc-

ing a few great times together, we saw that we did not need to understand or relate to what they were going through; we just needed to be their friends.

Last year, a group of NNU girls took this great witnessing opportunity to go to the Booth Home in Boise, a small school/home for pregnant teens to live until their child is born.

Once a week we made a

craft with the girls, whether it be a candy holder or a baby picture album.

No matter what we made, the girls usually had a blast talking with us whether we painted or planted flowers.

We also had a party at the end of each term, with dinner, ice cream, and gifts for each of the girls.

In the beginning, one of the

six girls would not participate at all. She would either go to her room or watch TV, thinking that the activity was pointless.

Each time we would treat her with love and invite her over, and every time she would become more receptive and one day she actually made a potpourri holder and talked with us. We all rejoiced inwardly and praised God for opening her heart to allow us to

love her.

Ministry to Young Mothers has been more rewarding than we had ever hoped. We were able to become friends with all the girls and love their babies.

We would love to have another great group of girls get involved with this fun and rewarding ministry! Come join us for CHAOS and watch for signs of when we will meet. Hope we see you there!

# Hope House lets children know love

By Laurissa Hurst  
Crusader Staff Writer

Picture, if you will, being a small child and having already seen in a few short years what many adults never see in their entire lifetime. Hope House is a group home that takes in such children.

These children have experienced physical, social, emotional and maybe even sexual abuse. Some have been neglected and some have witnessed horrible crimes. At Hope House they find

a place of refuge and hope.

Here at NNU we have a ministry club who's sole purpose is ministering to the children of Hope House. Every Wednesday Night at 5:45 we meet in the Student Center to venture out to Hope House as a group.

We then spend an hour of worship, devotion and playtime with the kids. Sometimes it is hard; sometimes you feel like you have no connection, but the joy comes when you return the next week and

their faces light up at the very sight of you.

My heart is filled with joy every time I visit Hope House. I love these children. They hurt so much and sometimes even lash out in strange, quirky ways, but they always are a blessing.

Not only do we minister to the children of Hope House, but they minister to us as well. You can learn so much from looking into the eyes of a child. You can learn even more from looking into

the eyes of a lost child.

These children take simple pleasure in things we often take for granted. I consider it a privilege to spend time with them. I strongly recommend coming out and giving this ministry a try. Who knows?

Any questions, or for more information please contact Jayme Harding (president) at 467-8155 or Zach Paulson (Vice President) at 467-8704.

# Elderly club is worthwhile

Meeting new people, sharing and fellowship

By Sonya Wold  
Crusader Copy Editor

If you are looking for a fun and rewarding way to get involved in a ministry group this year, give Ministry to the Elderly a try.

The club meets Sunday afternoons, usually around 2:00 PM, and takes vans to two of Nampa's nursing homes.

While at the homes, students spend time some one on one

time with the residents. Often times, there is a short worship service with singing and a time of sharing. Some of the residents may sing off key, but you can tell that they really love Jesus.

For Christmas this past year we decorated little Christmas stockings for each of the residents. It was a fun way to brighten their day. Many of these people have nothing cheery in their rooms to look at during the day.

In several cases, these elderly people do not have family members that come visit them, so they appreciate the time that the

students spend with them.

Having the opportunity to talk with the residents is also a blessing for the students in this club. The older people have such interesting stories to tell, and many are willing to share when someone cares to listen.

If you want to get involved in a very worthwhile ministry and meet some great people, give Ministry to the Elderly a try.

If you have any questions talk Kristi Fenten, the President of Ministry to the Elderly. We would love to include more people, and welcome everyone.

# Homework Club for anyone

By Kami Watson  
Crusader Copy Editor

The Homework Club ministry sounds like the type of club only education majors would enjoy. Images of algebra, spelling and frustrated kids may come to mind. Fortunately, the Homework Club offers a variety of ministries to needy children that anyone can help with.

The Homework Club is a group of NNU students that get together to tutor, play sports, mentor and befriend needy children at

the Salvation Army Youth Center. One of the children's favorite activities is playing soccer against the staff and volunteers. Many of the children come from low income families and are starving for positive role models.

The ages of the children at the Salvation Army Youth Center range from five to seventeen. The children come to find a place of security and to enjoy the Nintendos, computers, pool, air hockey, and gym activities. Many children continue coming year after year because of the friendships found with loving adults.

The Homework Club is designed to fit around any busy schedule. The Youth Center is open from three to eight, Monday through Friday. We encourage students of all majors and talents to come and visit us. Transportation is available to and from the Youth Center.

If you would like to become a part of the ministry group, call Kami Watson at 467-8475. We will be having an informational meeting soon, (with free food), so feel free to stop by and see what we are all about!

# P.A.L.S.

Share God's love

By Sara Keller  
and Tiffany Brush  
Crusader Guest Writers

P.A.L.S. (People Always Loving Someone), is a ministry club whose purpose is to reach out to, and love high school students who suffer from developmental disabilities. We enjoy meeting together every other Saturday and hanging out with one another. The kids in the club are very enthusiastic! They enjoy activities such as bowling, eating ice cream, or just going to a park to have a great time.

In May, we ended the year with a roller-skating party -- which was a blast! Most of the kids in P.A.L.S. do not receive acceptance at school, or sometimes even at home. For this reason, they look forward to hearing from the students at NNU who are involved in the club, and to doing activities with us. Even though they are often rejected, teased, or ignored these kids each have an incredible personality and are willing to love and be loved.

This weekend, CHAOS will give you an excellent opportunity to discover just how much fun these kids can be and to decide if this ministry club is for you. If you have a heart to reach out to people with developmental disabilities, then join us on Saturday. We will be going to the park to play, eat goodies and have a great time.

If you cannot make it to CHAOS this weekend, never fear! Here are the tentative dates for P.A.L.S. this semester: Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, and Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. We meet in the afternoon, so you can sleep in!

P.A.L.S. is an awesome way to get involved in the community as well as a way to get to know NNU students. Come and join us on Saturdays this year and discover the joy the kids in P.A.L.S. can bring into your life!

# Angels Ministry

By Charis King  
Crusader Guest Writer

Angels Ministry is a great way to meet wonderful people and spread Jesus' love in a memorable way. Every Monday night at 6:45, we meet in the Student Center and drive a couple of miles to an elderly home.

After moving the mugs and spoons aside, we pull out the Bingo chips and cards. While one of us yells out the numbers, another person has the ten pennies ready for the next winner. Since many of the patients have trouble recognizing numbers, some of us help them put the chips on the cards. During the game we serve popcorn and milk.

At Thanksgiving, we make them a turkey dinner. It is definitely amazing to see the appreciation in their smiles and hugs. Come and experience the joy it brings to share God's love!

# Shows

## you care

By Andrea Zickefoose  
Crusader Guest Writer

Compassionate Ministries seeks to meet the communities needs, and show the unconditional love of Christ through voluntary service and ministry. There are two focuses to this club.

Boise Rescue Mission ministry invites the students of NNU to lead worship and serve dinner every second and fourth Sunday of the month. We meet in the student center at 7:15 pm, and return sometime after 10 pm.

AIDS Ministry works directly with the Idaho AIDS Foundation. We meet bi-monthly, helping with food deliveries, participation with AIDS awareness events, and one on one time with HIV/AIDS patients to build more solid relationships with those in need of compassion and the love of Christ.

The ministry clubs are a great way to get involved in caring for people, as well as a way to get to know other students on this campus. The memories will stay with the students who get involved for years to come.

If either of these two clubs sounds like a place where you would be interested in sharing the love of Jesus, please contact Andrea Zickefoose.

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C.H.A.O.S. is an annual event that will be taking place on Saturday, September 16th. Each Ministry Group will be going into the Nampa community to help with activities that relate to their particular club. If you are at all interested in any way in any of the clubs listed here, please feel free to contact either the club presidents, the writers of the article, or the Community Relations Coordinator, Sara Keller. Everybody is welcome and encouraged to participate in CHAOS! Bring a friend, and come join in the wonderful gift of service.



# Roller Scamming provides fun time for students

By Laurissa Hurst  
Crusader Staff Writer

What do you call it when hundreds of University students show up at the RollerDome dressed in their evening best? Why, none other than the ever popular, Rollerscamming! Saturday, September 2nd marked an excellent kickoff to welcome week as NNU students packed the RollerDome for an evening of skating, socializing, crazy costumes, and tons of fun.

Who says you can't have fun on a Christian campus? Certainly not the people who participated in this year's Rollerscamming. Several people really got into the pajama theme. David Kadel and Sara Keller came dressed granny style, curlers and all (talk about school spirit). Some of our fellow students took the pajama theme a little too seriously when the came

dressed in only boxers and socks.

Some costumes were outrageous, others simple, but none topped that of Cletus and Laverne. These two, otherwise known as Mike Garmire and Ryan Pike, really took the cake. One was in a bunny suit, the other in old-fashioned long johns, complete with crazy teeth and bad wigs. These guys did not just dress up; they added whole new personalities to the evening!

Aside from the great costumes, there was some great skating as well. Even though the RollerDome was pretty packed, some people still found room to show off some fancy moves.

We were treated to mock triple lutzers and attempted double sow cows. There was even a man seen clogging on the skating floor, now that is some serious talent!

Other people, with perhaps less eloquent moves, got to put

their speed to the test. There was a four-person train speed race. The last person had to push the entire train with one person dropping off after each lap. This was a true test of speed and skill or the lack thereof.

The whole night was like going back to the days when we would go to the roller rink as kids in the 80's. Memories were brought back as the majority of NNU's student body did the Hokey Pokey. That SGA really knows how to "shake it all about!" More memories came during the couple's skate, although some of them were less than traditional couples.

Now, the evening was not complete without a good old-fashioned sock hop. Everyone in the RollerDome took of their skates and danced on the skating floor in their socks. During the



Laverne (Ryan Pike), Cletus (Mike Garmire) and Granny (David Kadel) showed their crazy love of dressing up!

university fun is all about. The organization and enthusiasm added to the excitement.

Rollerscamming was a great time to get to know new faces as well as get reacquainted with old ones, not to mention

an excellent excuse to leave the dorm in your pajamas. Whether it was the freshman wing that all came dressed in suits, or the PCs who came in their everyday pj's. It looked like all of the students who attended had a great time. Rollerscamming was a top-notch way to kick off the opening week and the 2000-2001 school year!

sock hop we saw various dance moves, from country line dancing to old time swing. This was an excellent way to end a terrific night of skating fun.

The sophomore class in place of the traditional sophomore welcome hosted this year's Rollerscamming. They did a fabulous job of showing the new freshman class what good

## Serving the community through the Circle K club

### Meeting people in the Nampa community through service

By Spring Fisk  
Crusader Guest Writer

Are you interested in a road trip? Do you want to read your favorite book to a child? Do you want to have fun and help other people? Well we have just the club for you. This year the Circle K club is looking for new members and we would like you to join.

*"Last year, Circle K volunteered at the Twila Paris, Audio Adrenaline and Third Day concerts on campus."*

Circle K International is the world's largest college and university service organization and is comprised of nearly 10,000 college and university students on about 500 campuses worldwide. The mission of Circle K International is to involve college and uni-

versity students in campus and community service.

We work closely with the business leaders of Nampa, which make up Kiwanias International, our sponsors. This makes Circle K unique because it provides the opportunity to network with local leaders and there are many opportunities such as various internships available.

Last year Circle K volunteered at the Twila Paris, Audio Adrenaline and Third Day concerts on campus. We also assisted

with a local Give Me 5 party for children. Other activities included collecting teddy bears for needy kids, helping out at Hope house, and much, much more.

This year, we plan on continuing these activities, plus going to the district convention and anything that you feel would help the community. Also if you are interested in a leadership position in the club, we are holding elections for new officers this year, no experience required.

Are you worried about

time constraints? The beauty of our club is that it will not take a lot of your time. We have 2 meetings a month and you can sign up for projects that you have time for. So what are you waiting for?

Come to the brick house after Time Out next week for an informal meeting and pizza party. Our first service project for the year will be volunteering for the "Give Me 5" immunization party so come and sign up. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

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News Briefs...

**Palestine to gain independence**

By Amy Oglevie  
Off-Campus News Section Editor

ANKARA, Turkey—

Turkey announced Monday that the decision has been made to delay the declaration of independent statehood for Palestine, in the interest of peace. At present, the liberation of Palestine will not occur until at least November 15 of this year.

While Turkey, a strong military ally of Israel, supports Palestinian independence, general stability is the issue at stake in the Middle East.

"The important thing is that it (the liberation) is done at a time and in a style that will help the peace process," a Foreign Ministry official commented.

The 129-member Palestine Central Council met in Gaza over the weekend to work on the peace-keeping plan. Palestinian President Yasser Arafat has reportedly pledged to declare the final decisions of the meeting as early as Wednesday.

The Palestinian decision has kept alive the hope of further peace talks with Israel.

**Students boost local economy**

By Aaron Bynum  
Off-Campus News Writer

"They eat, they have their clothes cleaned, they have deposits in banks, they buy gasoline - the list is almost endless," Caldwell Chamber of Commerce Membership director John Montgomery said in reference to the influx of new and returning students in the Nampa and Caldwell areas for this school year.

There will be more than 800 students this year bringing additional patronage to the Treasure Valley's numerous businesses. Albertson College of Idaho in Caldwell expects to have more than 810 students enrolled this year, and Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa will have about 1,100 students enrolled for the 2000/2001 school year.

"They'll be shopping in our stores and eating in our restaurants," Bowman said. "They are members of the community right now. It's like having a tourist here for the whole school year."

"The students don't just bring an appetite to learn, they bring dollars to spend in the county," Montgomery said. College students want places to hang out on weekends, places to eat when they need a break from cafeteria food, and places to buy those necessary items such as snack foods, toiletries, and occasionally notebooks and other school supplies.

**U.N. Summit focuses on peace**

By Elaine Knapp  
Off-Campus News Writer

Last Friday, the United Nations closed the Millennium Summit, which was supposed to close negotiations on a number of resolutions that would make the world a safer place. The summit focused on making peace keeping missions more efficient, while cutting poverty, and protecting the planet.

The three-day meeting, accomplished a great deal, but the 150 heads of state had reservations about all the resolutions passed at the summit. Secretary-General Kofi Annan warned that he would not be satisfied unless all countries that participated went home and did something about the problems that were discussed.

One of the main issues debated on Thursday was presented by the Security Council. Everyone present agreed that U.N. forces needed to be able to get to trouble spots more quickly and efficiently, and only an overhaul of

the system could get the job done. Despite agreement on that, the fifteen heads of state on the council had doubts about all the proposals that were passed.

One of the many other notable events was an historic chat and a handshake between President Bill Clinton and Cuban President Fidel Castro.

However, when asked about the handshake, President Clinton said it was unexpected, and that when he turned around, Castro "was just standing there".

Along with all the successes of the summit were some failures. The biggest issue of concern is the Mideast peace deal. Yasser Arafat rejected Clinton's proposal to split control of Jerusalem's Muslim and Jewish holy sites in east Jerusalem.

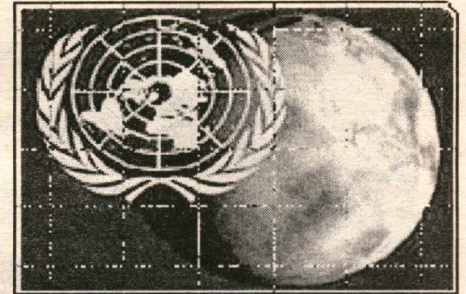
Despite this drawback, the mere fact that the summit brought together more world leaders than ever before was a success. Rene Prreview, President of Haiti, raised the question of poverty in

the world, and questioned the issue of a mission to Mars when so many go hungry everyday.

Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo went even further when he called for all the wealthy nations to cancel the debts of poor developing countries so they would be free to work on their own economies, citing a link between the frequency of U.N. peacekeeping missions to under-developed countries as opposed to those that were better off.

Poverty and security were linked in many ways in the three day summit. President Clinton stated that the council had to take a closer look at the issues of violent climate, poverty, disease and education in order to achieve the "peace that the founders of the United Nations dreamed of".

This response to world poverty and the problems associ-



The U.S. Millennium Summit in New York raises hopes concerning peace and world cooperation.

ated with it were prompted by the numerous peacekeeping missions in some of the world's poorest countries—among them East Timor and Sierra Leone.

The decision to give soldiers realistic mandates, proper equipment and training was one of the resolutions adopted in an annex form.

While drastic changes were called for, the council decided to adopt the full resolution as an annex, which means it may not be legally binding in that form.

**Aryan Nations must pay \$6 million**

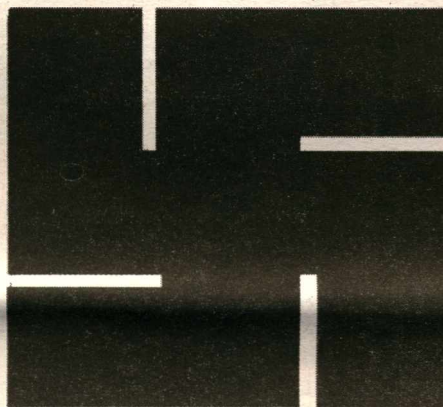
By Aaron Bynum  
Off-Campus News Writer

In Caldwell Thursday night, members of the Canyon Area Human Rights Task Force rejoiced after hearing that a jury in Coeur d' Alene, Idaho awarded \$6.3 million to the two plaintiffs in a lawsuit against the Aryan Nations.

The lawsuit was brought by Victoria Keenan and her son, Jason. Two years ago the mother and son were chased, shot at, and assaulted by two guards a short

distance from the white supremacist compound.

The jury awarded the Keenans \$6 million in punitive



damages and \$330,000 in compensatory damages.

The organization's founder, Richard Butler, claimed that he had no re-

sponsibility in the incident, and said that the guards acted on their own.

Butler was found 90 percent negligent by the 1st District Court jury and ordered to pay \$4.8 million of the punitive damage award. Michael Teague, Butler's chief of staff, was found 10 percent negligent by the same jury and ordered to pay \$600,000. Jesse Warfield, one of the guards, was ordered to pay \$500,000, while John Yeager, the second guard, was ordered to pay \$100,000.

**Gore and Oprah chat about campaign issues**

By Amy Oglevie  
Off-Campus News Section Editor

CHICAGO--

Presidential hopeful Al Gore appeared on the wildly popular "Oprah" talk show Monday as part of his campaign tour in Chicago. The purpose of the Gores' interview, Winfrey's production company said, was to allow the program's legion of fans (some 22 million daily followers) a chance to consider why they should vote for either candidate. Republican nominee George W. Bush is scheduled to appear on the show September 18.

Due to the nature of Gore's current job and close ties to President Clinton, these issues of private life have become the main focus for the 2000 campaign. Winfrey interviewed the Vice President on many issues concerning the interaction between his personal and political life. In one such question, Oprah asked how he balanced his political role with family life.

Commenting on this: "We

have to change our society and our culture to honor families, to give moms and dads and daughters and sons the chance, the flexibility, the respect and the time to live out their lives in the context of their families."

Gore also mentioned that he counts himself fortunate to have "flexibility" in his position. Tipper Gore, his wife, suffers from clinical depression, a condition she now speaks out about publicly. The Vice-President noted that balancing both home and work is difficult, but can and should be done in all homes.

The most controversial issue raised in the hour-long inter-

view with Winfrey, filmed before a live studio audience, was that of the entertainment/music industry.

Earlier in the day, before the show, Gore commented that the industry should agree to an "immediate cease-fire" in the marketing of material designed for adults—such as violent films and video games—to children and teens. He warned that he and running-mate Joe Lieberman would support "tough measures to hold the industry accountable" if it "does not clean up its act."

This stinging critique follows on the heels of a Federal Trade Commission study which

cluded that the entertainment industry routinely and deliberately targets young teens and children in the marketing of movies, music, and video games.

Such games are officially recommended by their own companies for those age 17 and older. The Vice President commented that the entertainment industry should adopt FTC recommendations and set a six-month deadline for voluntary change.

"It's hard enough to raise children today without the entertainment industry making it more difficult. We believe in giving parents better information and more tools to help them protect their children from inappropriate material," Gore said in a statement.

When asked how he planned to fulfill his goal of cleaning up the industry, Gore credited his wife for tuning him into the difficulties that parents face. Tipper has led the crusade of Parents' Music Resource Center, more commonly known as PMRC, since the early 1980s. The aim of the group is to provide ample warning to parents about the content of the music their children buy and listen to.

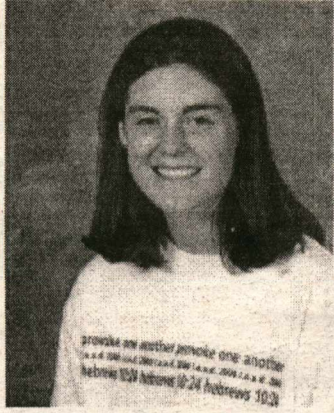


Gore appeared on the fabulously successful "Oprah" Show.

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# Student Government Association Officials bring



Executive Vice President  
Jenn Gerner

Hi, my name is Jenn or Jennifer (just not Jenny). I'm the Social Vice President this year. I'm in charge of planning the school's social events, and giving you opportunities to meet that special someone while you are at them.

Welcome week and Malibu days were our first set of social events for the year and were a huge success. I look

forward to planning more activities in the future so stay tuned.

If you would like to help, feel free to stop by my office or give me a call at #8771.

Now that I have covered my position, I'll talk a little about myself. I was born and raised in Salem, Oregon and still call that home.

I have attended a private school all my life and looked for the same community atmosphere when searching for a college. Elementary Education is my major, but I'm majoring in Children's ministries also. I just want to work with kids!

My favorite verse has always been Philippians 1:6, which says, "Being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you, will carry it to the day of completion of Jesus Christ our Lord." I hope his has given you a chance to know me a little bit better and I look forward to serving you this school year.

*Without YOU,  
there would be no NNU!  
Lets make this the best year  
yet. Thanks again for  
allowing me to serve as your  
S.G.A. President.*

*-Amanda Marble*

Welcome back to NNU! I have been back on campus now for about four weeks. Let me tell you, NNU is pretty lonely place without people around. We have a great campus community! It is nice to see the energy and excitement back on campus. I am ready for this year, are you?

I thought I'd start off by telling you a little bit about myself. I will graduate in May with a degree in Public Communication, with an emphasis in Psychology. My hometown is Yakima, Washington (often described as the Palm Springs of Washington, ha!).

But anyway, a few of my favorite things are ice cream, coffee, books, and spending time with my friends and family. I also LOVE being a student at NNU. I am truly looking forward to serving the student body in the coming year. My freshman year, I wouldn't have dreamed I would be writing this article. But, I am ready and willing to do the best job I can, in order to make NNU a better place in the coming year for you and me!

What are the duties of the S.G.A. President? I am your student voice to the Administration and the Board of Regents. It is not only my responsibility, but my desire to share your ideas and concerns to those that make decision that often directly affect you. I also guide and oversee the S.G.A. Executive Council throughout the year. There are a bunch of other "job descriptions", but I won't bore you with details. (I'd love to share this with you if you want to know).

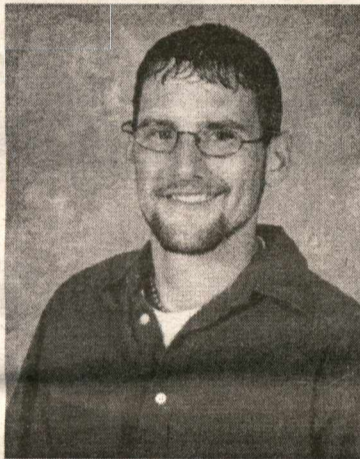
There are many ways YOU can be involved with my position this year. The most important way to help



President, Amanda Marble

me out is for you to share your concerns, suggestions and life, campus concerns, etc. I am more than willing to talk about anything that is on your mind.

Granted, I was elected your leader, but I also want to be your friend. If you need someone to talk to or pray with you... I am here. Another way for involvement is to participate in ASNNU (Association of Students of NNU) events.



Campus Ministries  
Coordinator, Nathan Roskam

Hello NNU! Let me tell you that God is already doing some amazing things on this campus and if you are not sure of the tone that has been set here-WAKE UP!! In the words of Kadee Wirick, I'm "thoroughly stoked" at what God has done thus far and am waiting in anticipation to see what lies around the corner.

Already the response of you all to serve on campus and in this community is amazing. There has been a great response for the Ministry Clubs and I truly believe that this year will be a year of growth and expansion for NNU Ministry Clubs.

There is no limit to the impact we can have on this community, except for the limit that we put on ourselves. Life is busy and time is of the essence, but time spent helping others and being Jesus to our community is, in my opinion, time well spent.

Also, Time-Out is kickin'! Mac Truck! Last Wednesday night with Shemia Fagan! It was truly amazing and once again God was present and once again she spoke to the heart of a lot of people on this campus.

I pray that we all continue to seek God daily with all of your heart, soul, mind and strength. Love your neighbor as yourself (regardless of the Bush League odor that is protruding from his/her room), and continue to be an active participant in the great

things that God is doing here.

Oh, don't forget about Time-Out's! As long as the weather cooperates with us we shall remain on the soccer field. Once we are forced to retreat for cover we will be either in the Brandt Center or the Science Lecture Hall.

My goal is to be in the Brandt Center all year, minus a few Wednesdays that have already been reserved. This will then mean that we are too big to meet in the Science Lecture Hall!! I want to see all of us out there together on Wednesday night's worshiping and praising our Lord and Savior!

God has definitely blessed this time of worship on this campus and has taken it from a handful of students led by Lance Nelson back in the day, to the giant chorus of 500 plus beautiful voices we enjoy today! God is awesome.

Contact Andrea Zickefoose or myself if you feel God leading you to be apart of something.. Office number-8778.

SGA officers find time to get together for a picture at their retreat this summer. From top left to right: Vito Montebalanco, Erica Caruso, Jenn Galloway, Nate Roskam, Sarah Huges, and Becca Bartlow. Bottom right to left: John Galloway, Sara Keller and Amanda Marble.



Community Relations, Sara Keller

I am the Community Relations this year, and I am really looking forward to being in this position! I am a junior this year, majoring in Social Work. As the Community Relations Coordinator, I am in charge of planning service projects, putting on the blood drives, and being

on the lookout for anything we, as a campus, can do to make the community a better place! I am excited about the impact we can make in the community - there are LOTS of opportunities we have this year to do that! One of my goals this year is to see more student involvement in community service projects. This semester there will be several ways to get involved - RUSH (in October), a blood drive (around Christmas time), the Nursing Home Gift Drive and MORE??? I would LOVE for these activities to be a huge benefit for the community and for those around us to see God working in our lives! The best way to make sure that will happen is for as many people as possible to be involved! So, mark your calendars now for the different activities this semester and plan to be a part of a very important part of NNU.



Oasis Editor, Erica Caruso

*Remember you  
are beautifully made  
and God loves you! I  
love you too!*

*-Rachelle Lundy*

Hi! My name is Erica Caruso and I am a Junior this year studying religion with an emphasis in youth ministry. This year I am serving you as the Editor-in-Chief of the Oasis Yearbook. I'm looking forward to capturing all the events of this year into one amazing book! Most of all, I'm enjoying serving the campus community here at NNU. I find it an great pleasure in helping you have a great year. Let me know how I can help you. "Continue to see God with all your hear and let him continue to bring you new heights," Habakkuk 3:19. God Bless!



Crusader Editor, Vito Montebalanco

Another year has begun and already the enjoyment of college life is upon us. A year full of social events that seem to take up more time than one expected and the class that is supposedly only going to take two hours a night but takes four instead. Ah,



# als bring in the year with encouraging words



President, Amanda Marble

...ut is for you to share your ideas, concerns, suggestions and student campus concerns, etc. with me. I am more than willing to talk to you about anything that is on your mind. Granted, I was elected to be your leader, but I also want to be your friend. If you need someone to listen to, I am here for you! Another way for involvement is to participate in ASNNU (Associated Students of NNU) events. Your

Social Vice-President, Jenn Gerner, and the rest of the S.G.A. Executive Council will be working throughout the year to provide fun and exciting activities for you. (Wasn't Welcome Week and Malibu great?)

We want you to come and be apart of events this year. Over all, please don't hesitate to communicate with me....I am here for YOU.

You might be wondering...if you want me to communicate with you and be involved, "how can I, a student here, do that"? There are a variety of ways you can get a hold of me. One way you can find me is by stopping by my office (upstairs in the Student Center). I will be holding office hours this semester MWF from 12:30-1:30 p.m. and TTh from 9-10 a.m. If you don't have time to drop by feel free to give me a call at the office #8778 or at my apartment #8930. Oh wait, there is more...you can also email me or drop a note in campus mail, box 2636.

Finally, as your leader, my first and foremost goal is to listen to you and be available to you. It probably has to do with my major, but I value the impart without proper communication, progression into the future is harder. There are things in the works and projects I have my eye on, but most importantly, if you have something you want to look into or suggest, please let me know. I am willing to look into what needs to happen to make it work.

*Continue to seek God with all of your heart and let him continue to bring you to new heights.  
Habakkak 3:19*

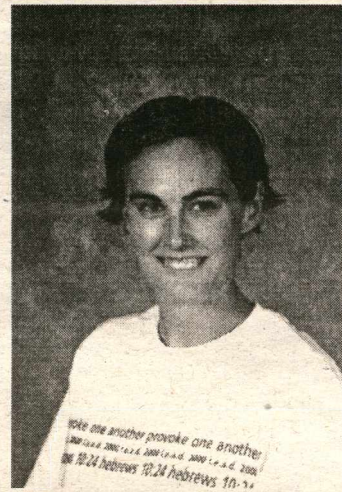
My name is John Galloway and I am the Executive Vice President of the SGA. This is my Junior Year and I am a Business Major. As the Executive Vice President, I am in charge of organizing Student/Faculty committees, Chairman of the Senate, the overseer of all Class A and B organizations. Some of my duties include: serving on the Chapel/Convocations Committee, Calendar Committee, Homecoming Committee, and SGA Executive Council. In my free time I enjoy playing basketball, ultimate Frisbee, and other intramural sports. One of my other responsibilities is Student Government elections, which is coming soon. I am really excited



Executive Vice President, John Galloway

about this year and the opportunity to serve you. If you have any questions, please call my office at #8771. God Bless!

Oh, I am so glad that you are here and NNU! This is going to prove to be a fabulous year. My name is Rachelle Lundy and I have the privileged of serving you as SGA secretary. My responsibility is to prepare and distribute copies of the minutes from Senate and Executive Council meetings. I also order flowers for hospitalized students or students who experienced death in their immediate family during the school year. I serve



on the Homecoming Committee, attend ASNNU activities (which I love), and keep you, the students, informed as to what's happening upstairs in the Student Center. Well there is the low down. If you have any questions, comments, or heart felt concerns, give me a call at 8771. Remember you are beautifully made and God loves you! I love you too!

Executive Secretary, Rachelle Lundy



the joys! Well, maybe they are that joyful but together we can definitely make this year, if not the best, memorable.

Let me introduce myself, my name is Vito Montebalco, and I am the Editor of the Crusader newspaper. Which means I am the one who is responsible for making sure the newspaper comes out each week - which includes staying up until three in the morning every Monday night. However, let me tell you, it is a great job to have. Not only is it a paying one (which obviously is always beneficial) but it is job where I get to work with many different people and to do so late at night in some cases. It also is a job where one learns leadership skills in some of the most stressful situations. Like it is three in the morning and the all the computers crash

at once, stories are lost and your section editors are just about to walk out on you.... time to attempt to get everything back on track.

Really, it is a fun job! In addition, it is good to hear people comment about the newspaper. Another great privilege about this position is being on the SGA council. Not only do I get to work on a newspaper, a love indeed, I get work on organizing and running the majority of social events we have throughout the year.

That is what I do, now about who I am. I am an International Studies major working on graduating May 12, 2001. After graduation is seminar at the Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri and finally end up as a missionary



Publicity Director, Sarah Hughes

Hey out there to all my wonderful fellow Crusaders! I just wanted to take this time to share a little about myself, my goals, and to publicize some events coming up! My name is Sarah (in case you missed that). My official position is Publicity Director. Basically my job is to get you all out there to come to Social Events! I like Crayola A LOT and Iced Animal Cookies (just ask my roommates about that one!).

I have two main goals for the year that I will share with you now, lucky you! Please help me stay accountable to these as the year progresses.

The first one is this: I want to do the absolute best that I can to reach everyone on and off of

campus. The other goal is to use lots of variety in the forms of publicity. I want to keep you all on your toes!

As always if you have ANY suggestions, comments, ideas, funny jokes, stories or want to help, give me a call. You can also stop by my office or leave me a note (I like getting notes!)

Thank you for making my job so wonderfully fun and rewarding! I am here to serve you! Remember, "Do not follow where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." Happy Trails to you! Upcoming Events to be thinking about: Shoe drive for children and adults in Bolivia, September 18-22 and See you at the Pole, on September 20



Business Manager, Becca Bartlow

Hi my fellow students. I just wanted to tell you that I am here for you. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me. I

'd love to chat with you. My job is titled Business Manager, which basically translates into the treasurer. I organize the Book Exchange and rent out the refrigerators.

On the treasure side of it all I work with the portion of monies titled "student fees". This portion of your tuition goes toward things like activites put on by our wonderful Social Vice President to projects done by ministry clubs. The book exchange occurs at the beginning of every semester and will be run by yours truly this year and run by the preceding

Business Managers in the years to come. If you ever have books you bought for past classes and you want to sell them to another student fortunate enough to take the class, then you can take them to the Book exchange. The books are for sale the first week of each semester. Last, but not least, is the refridgerator rentals. SGA owns fridges and at any point through out the year that you need to rent a fridge, just come and see me. My office hours are Monday thru Friday from 3-4:00 p.m. this semester. If you want to know anything about these things just ask me. It is great to see everyone back and all of you new people as well. See you around and say hi when you see me, or just give me a smile. Adios Amigos!



# Ford helps pay for Firestone blame

By Ryan Hanson  
Off-Campus News Writer

Ford Motor Company recently disclosed, in a government filing, that they will be helping to cover the costs of the Firestone tire recall. This has led to almost 100 law suits filed against Ford. The recall, announced on August 9, involves reports that some 15 inch tires can shred and cause deadly accidents. Most tires involved in these accidents are on the Ford Explorer Sport Utility Vehicle.

Details on how much Ford is planning to pay its largest tire supplier are not available according to Ford spokeswoman Karen Hampton.

The news comes as the relationship between Ford and

Firestone becomes more strained. Ford maintains that the problem is with the tires and not the Explorer. Ford also feels that Firestone has let the company down and is reviewing the relationship with Firestone on a day-to-day basis.

Safety advocates say that Ford's agreement to help defray the cost of the recall does not help to support the argument that Ford is not at fault.

Sean Kane of Strategic Safety, a research group that is working for the plaintiff's lawyers, said "I think it represents additional evidence of their culpability."

An analyst for Dresdner

Kleinwort Benson, David Garrity, sees the agreement as a business decision designed to assist in solving the larger cri-

sis. "Is it any kind of tacit admission of guilt? No, I think it's a certain recognition on their part to ensure that the customers are cared for," Garrity commented. The recall is being investigated by U.S. safety regulators, who have received reports of 88 U.S. traffic deaths involving the Firestone Tires.

As of the Friday's filing of the disclosure, Ford noted that it had been filed against in 63 personal injury lawsuits and 35 class-action lawsuits stemming from the Firestone tire issue. Ford also stated that new lawsuits are coming in almost daily.

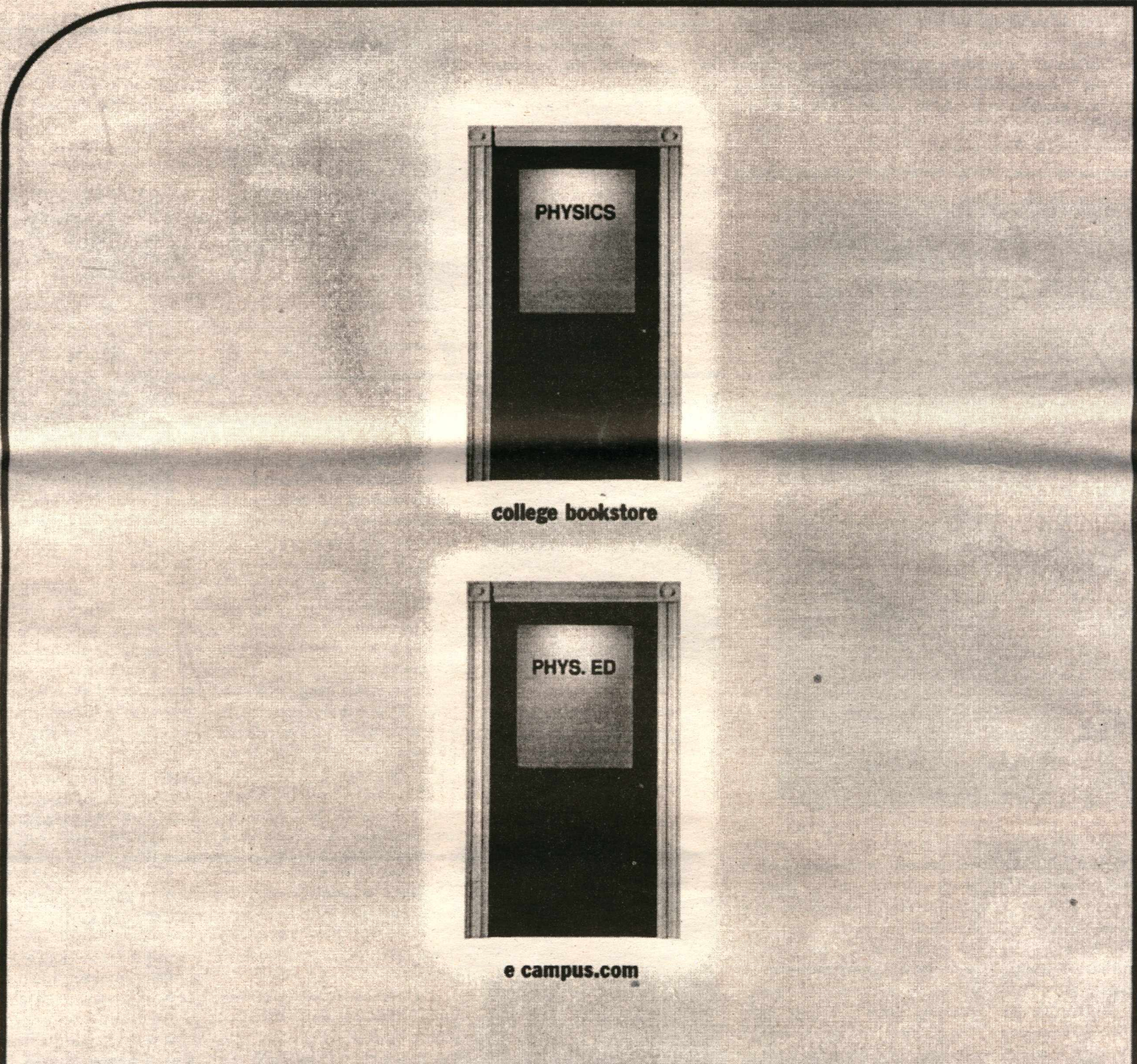
Ford also mentioned that the Indecu consumer protection agency in Venezuela has said that it plans on filing a civil case

against Ford's Venezuelan subsidiary in order to recover money for the victims of tread separation accidents. This would force the recall of all Explorers in Venezuela, and impose civil penalties. Reports of at least 46 traffic deaths in Venezuela are associated with the Firestone tire failures.

Indecu had earlier recommend that criminal action should be taken against both Firestone and Ford. Emerging as a sign that Ford is getting a handle on replacing the 6.5 million recalled tires, the company announced its plans to resume production on Monday of three light truck plants.



Firestone tire plants (above) were temporarily shut down all across the country due to the recall.



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Craker's Corner

Volleyball team off to a red hot start

October's here which means only one thing.....

After a long summer of watching the Yankees' season turn around for the better, it is good to be back in school. For September means that it is almost time for the coronation of the Yankees fourth championship in five years.

October is almost upon us, and while the NFL season has begun there is nothing better than watching the Yankees break out a four-game sweep on some unassuming National League team. Maybe I am being a bit presumptuous in saying that the Yanks are going to win it all seeing as how they do not have the best record in baseball, or the American League for that matter. But it has been somewhat of a tradition since I have called NNU my home that the Yankees take the title. So why would things change this year?

Who is going to beat the Yankees? The Mariners? Don't get me started on the M's, after taking three of four from the Yankees at Yankee Stadium it was as though the Mariners thought they had already won the World Series, and so they promptly lost nine consecutive games and thirteen of fifteen. The A.L. West is once again coming to be known as the A.L. Worst.

Whoever the Wild Card team is will cause no damage. Consider Cleveland who is in first place presently. If the Indians make the playoffs they will be the first team in the history of baseball to do so using 31 pitchers and counting.

In the N.L. we have a slightly different story. The Cards have stunk it up since the Break, and if it were not for being in such a stacked division with the likes of the Reds, Cubs, Brewers, Pirates, and Astros they would not be in the playoffs. Will Clark is not the man that is going to lead St. Louis to the Promised Land.

Then we come to the Giants. I like the Giants, I like their new stadium, heck I even like Barry Bonds but I'm sorry Jon they manage to choke every year in the first round against the Braves.

And while Russ Ortiz has been getting me a lot of fantasy points, he is not Maddux, Pedro, or Hernandez. Think about it, would you rather have Ortiz or El Duque? Livan Hernandez or Andy Pettitte? Shawn Estes or Roger Clemens? Marvin Benard or Bernie Williams? I think that those questions can answer themselves.

I guess what I am trying to say is, there is no point in watching baseball for the next month and a half unless one is a Yankee fan.

So go ahead and watch Payton win a gold-medal, or the Seahawks vie for a number one draft pick, or Shawn Kemp eat. But remember that in October the greatest team in the history of sports do it one more time.

Craig Craker  
Crusader Sports Editor

Nampa, Id. - The NNU women's volleyball team opened the 2000 season in commanding style at the NNU Volleyball Invitational.

The team opened the season playing the Montana State University Northern Skylights. After taking 12-5 leads in both the first and third games, the Crusaders stumbled falling behind 13-12 before regrouping to win 15-13. Louise Free led the 'Saders with nine kills, Erin Hellberg and Shelli Bunn each had eight. The 'Saders won the match 15-13, 15-2, and 15-13.

In the second match of the year and the Pac West opener NNU roared back from a first game loss to Seattle University to win the match 13-15, 15-3, 15-9, 15-9.

Sarah Menard had four service aces to go along with 17 digs. After losing the first game, NNU came out on fire jumping out to a 10-0 lead to open the second game.

In the third match of the year NNU knocked off upset-

minded Northwest College to climb to 3-0, winning 14-16, 15-7, 16-14, 15-1. The third game definitely decided the outcome of the match as NNU fell behind 14-10 and fought off game-point three times before rallying for a 16-14 triumph. Free recorded 24 kills, while Rachel Roberts led the 'Saders with seven blocks.

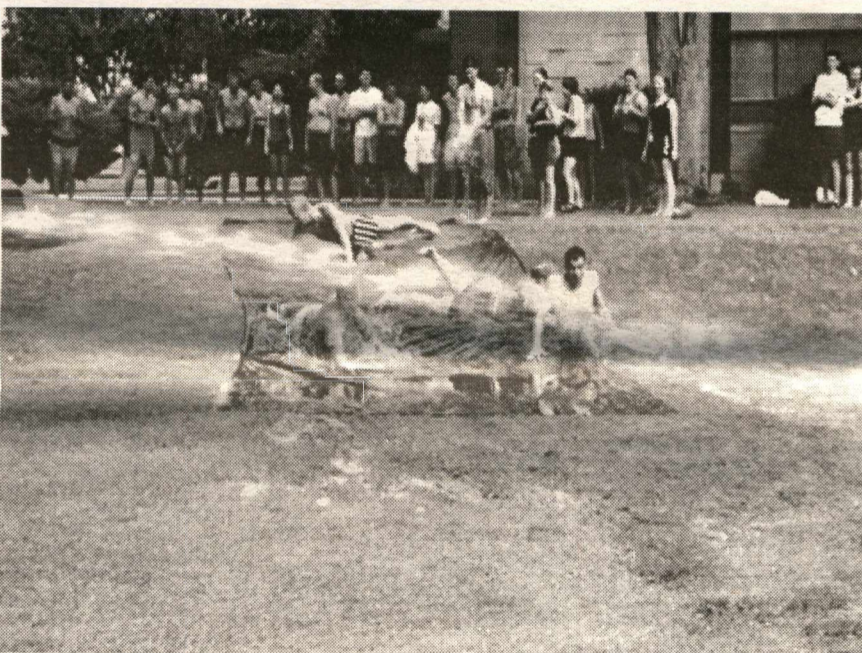
In the fourth match of the season NNU beat Carroll College 15-7, 15-11, 14-16, 7-15, 15-12. NNU was forced to rally from an 8-1 deficit in game 5 before defeating Carroll. Free led the team in kills with 21 and blocks with nine. Mindy Swanson had 57 assists and 16 digs.

The fifth match of the season saw the NNU women fall to Simon Fraser University for NNU's first loss of the season. Simon Fraser won 14-16, 15-11, 15-8, 8-15, 15-7.

After losing for the first time NNU came out strong and waxed Montana Tech to climb to 5-1, 1-0 on the season. NNU rolled over Tech 15-3, 15-12, 15-10.



Michelle Phillips sets the ball over the net as Louise Free looks on. (Photo by Haniel Massoud)



TIME OUT

with  
Nate Roskam

NateDog will be our featured speaker this week. He is definitely the hottest speaker ever. Time Out will be held on the Soccer Field (weather pending) this Wednesday night at 9:00 pm. Nate's taken by the way. Sorry!

Go Figure

.406 Winning percentage held by last year's men's basketball team.

.750 Winning percentage predicted by Mr. Warner for the Men's Basketball team this year. Hey Matt we'll believe it when we see it.

1 The number of good meals I have eaten so far this year at the "Rot". Chicken Fajita on September 11.

1 Semesters that Dave Oliver has left till he graduates. Can you believe it?

2 Times the Yankees have beaten Pedro this year.

8 Wins in a row by Roger Clemens.

25 Championships the Yankees have won in their history.

36 American League pennants the Yankees have won in their history.

82-58 The Yankees record.

1954 The last time the San Francisco Giants won the World Series.

8747 The phone number to the best looking bachelor on campus (Not me).



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# The Bible is final authority

By Derek Bartlow  
Columnist

My name is Derek Bartlow. I am a freshman student coming from Nampa Senior High School. I accepted the Lord Jesus Christ into my heart when I was about 6 years old at the annual Nazarene Camp Meeting Kid's Sessions.

I have been a public school student all my life and for the last two years at Nampa High School have helped lead a small group study of the Bible. It was at Nampa High that I experienced some of the most spiritually thrilling times of my life. I fully believe God used the opposition I faced there to mold me into a soldier for the Lord Jesus Christ.

By God's grace, I was able to challenge evolutionists, battle for Biblical Creation, contend for the sanctity of unborn life, illustrate the divine inspiration of

the scriptures, present the fact of the resurrection, demonstrate America's Christian Heritage and help lead a fellow student to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, all to the glory of God.

As a Fundamentalist Christian, I never plan to base my convictions on how well they are received, or whether they are 'politically correct,' but rather on the absolute truth of God's Holy Word (Romans 3:4).

I believe it is the duty of all Christians to take their Christianity beyond John 3:16 and to allow their faith to impact and govern the way they live. I believe the Bible is the divinely inspired, infallible Word of the living God—even in Genesis—and that it is the sole authority in all matters upon which it touches, in-

cluding science and history, as well as faith and salvation.

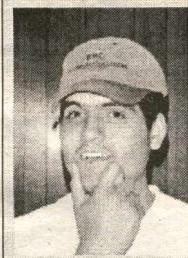
As a journalist writing for this paper, it will be my constant goal to present the Biblical

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Christian worldview regarding the issues of our day. I hope to use the talents God has given me to offer each student and faculty member encouragement in their Christian walk

and a goal to reclaim our nation for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

In the next couple of weeks, we are planning to initiate, the Lord willing, a Biblical Christian Discipleship Study. We encourage all student who have attended Summit ministries, as well as those who have not, to attend. For more information, call 467-8270



Column One

By J. Vito Montebalanco  
Editor-in-Chief

In what era of Christendom has learning and academia not been apart of the Christian life? Medieval times? Learning was still there. How else would the monks know how to write and read or do many of the functions that monks did

during that era.

Christianity and Academia ought not be separated from our lives. We live in a world where academia is so intertwined with our everyday lives that to deny it...no!

We have begun a new year at a college dedicated to making us have a well rounded education and a commitment to this education within a Christian context.

From a purely evangelical point of view two thoughts can be concluded - one that education does nothing to help bring about salvation. The other thought is that to reach a secular academic world one must come in contact and "dwell" among that very world.

John 1:14 shows an example of how God - "The Word" made his "dwelling" among us. God experienced humanity and following this example we as Christians should not fear the world and its ways but be delighted that we can come and experience the world and still be free to express our own faith and beliefs. Anything short of this would be a tragedy!

# Finding hope in the despair

By David Nichols  
Opinions Staff Writer

The Merriam-Webster Dictionary gives this among others as a definition for depression; a psychological disorder marked especially by sadness, inactivity, difficulty in thinking and concentration, and feelings of dejection.

It is with no happiness that I am able to admit that there are too many times in my life when I have been subject to this disease.

That, to me, is what depression is—a disease. As I look back through my life I can see its tidy little fingerprints all over

my development. As a child in elementary school I would wish that I was never born because of the homework I hadn't done and the seemingly monstrous teacher I would have to face.

But I survived; I hid, remained quiet and hoped and hoped that no one would take notice to a wretched little creature like myself.

By the time I made it to high school, I had long-since accepted the fact that I was bound to have an unhappy life. In doing so, I decided that I had no reason for any set of rules. If I was going to be unhappy, then by golly I was going to do it my way.

In this new frame of mind, I threw aside the shallow bit of Christianity I had preserved in myself and set off in a new direction in my life.

Well, unlike you might be guessing, there was no pastor or friend to help guide me back

into the light. I was all alone in a world of sadness and grief with only myself to blame.

Unfortunately, that is exactly what I ended up doing, blaming myself. I'm sure we all know that the best way to start feeling better is just to get our minds off of our troubles. It's the one solution to everything, at least for a while.

It was a fairly long while before it wore off for me, and when it did, it wasn't pleasant. Oh sure, I was still going to church. I had to and maybe that

*"Satan is a weak, wretched, sad little being that will never accept defeat, but who will continue to be defeated."*

is was the thing that saved me in the end.

But the one thing you need to know about depression is that those who have

it become masters at hiding it. As DC Talk says in one of their songs, "As far as anybody knew, everything was cool..." But underneath my nerdy exterior, was a sadness greater than any Spielberg movie could match in special effects. I was dying, and I was dying fast.

My life came very near to ending sometime during my 16<sup>th</sup> year of life. No, I didn't get into a car accident, and no, I wasn't almost killed in an earthquake. I almost lost my life to myself.

It had been a few months since my depression had finally been spotted by a teacher at school and I had been taken to a few different psychologists. However, depression can't be said to lack resourcefulness, I had everyone thinking that I was a hundred percent a-okay almost immediately.

Ironically enough, it was a dark and stormy night when my mom called me downstairs to

come to the store with her and my brother. She was perhaps the only one I hadn't convinced that I was cured of my depression.

I'm not sure if it was women's intuition or not, but one thing is for certain: my mom had a feeling that something bad was going to happen if she left me home, but after a short debate she agreed to let me stay home.

As I watched the family van drive out of sight I felt a evil glee fill my presence. I tried to null the feeling out by watching MTV, but it didn't work. Before long, a small voice entered my mind and made the simple case that if I killed myself, all my suffering would leave.

Almost immediately my mind was no longer my own, it was now full of thousands of voices screaming and threatening and saying everything possible to break me down to the point where I would kill myself.

By then, I had broken out into a fever and a cold sweat dripped down my face and my hands. I had all I could stand of the voices so I picked out my mother's sharpest knife and I felt utterly helpless to stop the commands being thrown at me.

I was almost incapable of any independent thought. But I somehow managed to cry out to Jesus and in all of his grace and mercy he responded. First He appeared as a small voice in the thousands and simply trying to calm me down. As He did the voices recoiled and vanished until the only one of the evil voices remained, and in a shriek of utter defeat and disgust, it left my mind. I was left laying on the floor a mix of tears and confusion.



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**Culture Shock**

Let them in Peter, for they are very tired.  
Give them couches where the angels sleep, and light those fires.

Let them wake whole again to brand new dawns,  
Fired by the sun, not war-times bloody guns.

May their peace be deep; remember where their broken bodies lie.  
God knows how young they were to have to die.

Give them things they like; let them make some noise.  
Give dance hall bands, not golden harps, to these our boys.

Let them love, Peter, for they've had no time.  
They should have bird songs and trees and hills to climb,

The taste of summer and a ripened pear,  
And girls sweet as meadow wind and flowing hair.

And tell them how they are missed, but say not to fear.  
It'll be alright with us down here.

"Prayer to St. Peter" [for WWII victims]  
-Edwin McCain

"Requiem for a Record Industry"



**Top Ten Lines That Would Have Made Staff Infection, If It Still Existed**

10. You have the shoes you wear to go shopping for shoes...
9. Do you want to write a 1,500 word article?
8. Is it dog or DAWG!
7. Which is worse, the silvery thingy or the koobaton?
6. There's popcorn on the chair! There's been a mouse here!
5. Sacrilige! Heathen! Communist!
4. Is Palestine and Turkey the same country?
3. Ha Ha Ha, HEY! Gimme back my chair!
2. Oh golly, Wally, hey Beav, that's swell!
1. If you flip the swastika, it looks like a Red Cross symbol.

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**Saving quarters on the suds**

By **Sonya Wold**  
*Opinions Staff Writer*

Some of you may have noticed the price increase for a load of laundry on campus. For as long as I can remember the price has been fifty cents a load, so seventy-five cents seems like it might break the piggy bank.

When Karen Pearson was asked about the issue, she said the decision was made to increase the price of laundry before she took the job in Student Development.

I am already a poor college student, so I decided to find an alternative to using the campus laundry facilities. Recently I took a little trip around Nampa and here are my findings.

The Attended Maytag Home Style Laundry Mat located at 205 Caldwell Blvd is open from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.. A load of wash will cost you one dollar, and twenty-five cents will get you twenty-two minutes of drying time. The average cost to dry a load is about fifty cents.

My next stop was the Rainbow Laundry Center located

at 816 12<sup>th</sup> Ave South. Their hours are 6:00 AM to midnight with the last wash time at 11:00 p.m.. Their prices are seventy-five cents for the wash cycle and fifty cents for forty-five minutes of drying time. They also have tables to study at, a TV, vending machine, and video games.

A place close to campus is the Washboard Laundry Mat at 218 Holly Street, which is open from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. It will cost you a dollar to wash a load of clothes and however much you're willing to spend, depending on how dry you want your clothes. This laundry mat has quite a few washers and dryers for those of you who do laundry once a semester.

The most economical place I found was Maytag Home Style Laundry located at 1656 Garrity Blvd. They are open from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.. It'll cost you fifty cents to wash your clothes and twenty-five cents to dry them, possibly fifty cents. If you are female, I would suggest you take a male friend with you to this place. It is not in the greatest of neighborhoods.

For those of us out there who are trying to save a buck or two, I hope this has helped to make it easier to find a place to do laundry. Mom isn't here to do our laundry anymore so we have to remember to do it every once in a while. Yes, if anyone hopes to get a date for the weekend it is important to wear clean underwear and socks!

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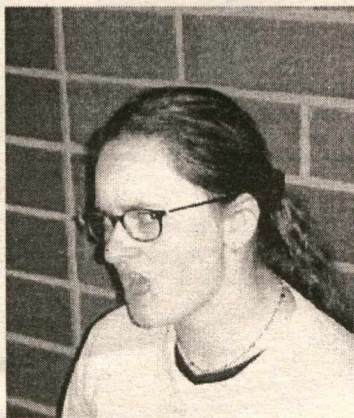
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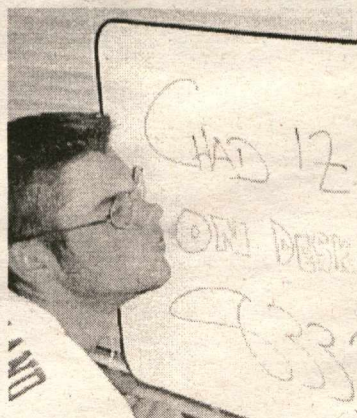
Random answers by random people on random topics

**If you could teach any class, what would it be and why?**



Sara Shoemaker Freshman English Ed. Post Falls, ID

"Cleaning Spark Plugs because I have a lot of experience and I don't know a lot of people who can do it."



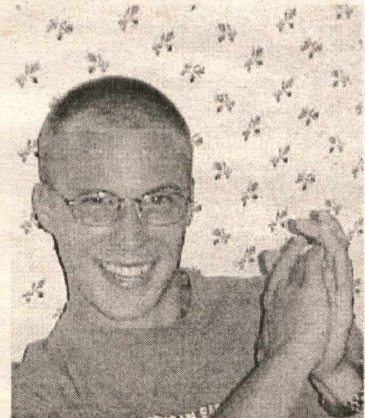
Chad Froslund Sophomore Mass Comm. Eugene, OR

"How to Stay Entertained While on Desk. Having been on desk a total of two times now, I've discovered the fine art of making



Sara Hughes Junior Elementary Ed. Puyallup, WA

"The Fine Art of Coloring with Crayola Crayons because I know no other crayon worthy of coloring with."



Jon Vanderpool Senior Youth Ministry Anacortes, WA

"Making Music with Body Parts. You never know when you'll need a good tune."





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