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MOMENT OF SILENCE - Fallen sailors receive military burial. Soldiers were victims of suspect terrorist attack on destroyer USS Cole. (Photo courtesy of KrtDirect.com)

Explosion hits USS Cole

By Mackay Dufour
Off Campus News Writer
ADEN, Yemen--

An enormous explosion rocked an American Naval destroyer refueling in Yemen on Thursday. The U.S.S. Cole, a guided-missile destroyer based in Norfolk, Virginia, had been refueling at a station in the port on the southern tip of the Arabian peninsula when an explosion came from one of several smaller harbor boats helping the Cole dock.

Initial reports said that the blast occurred at 12:15 p.m. (5:15 a.m. Eastern time). The explosion tore a gaping hole in the side of the vessel, which measured about 30 feet by 40 feet. The Cole was carrying a crew of about 300. The blast caused extensive flooding, forcing the ship to list slightly. By nightfall Thursday, crew members had managed to control the flooding and keep the ship afloat.

President Clinton said it appeared to be a terrorist attack. Nearly three dozen others were injured,

some of them severely, and the most recent reports have accounted for 17 deaths. If reports confirm it as a terrorist attack, it would be the worst against American military forces since the bombing of an Air Force barracks in Saudi Arabia, which killed 19 airmen in 1996. This is the worst attack on an American Naval ship since an Iraqi missile struck the U.S.S. Stark, a guided-missile frigate in the Persian Gulf in 1987, killing 37 sailors.

"If, as it now appears, this was an act of terrorism, it was a despicable and cowardly act," Mr. Clinton said, only moments after having met with his senior national security advisers.

Senior Pentagon officials said the boat, with at least two men aboard, had been loaded with explosives in

what was evidently a well-planned suicide attack. The officials said they would not know the exact type of explosive used until forensic experts arrive and take samples from the ship's hull. Western diplomats in Yemen said the explosion seemed to be the work of a well-organized group with good connections in the port of Aden who might have provided the bombers with logistical support.

As dawn broke Friday morning, the U.S.S. Cole could be seen from across the harbor, with a black hole in its side and sooty marks running up from the water. Sailors were active on the deck and American investigators began arriving. Adm. Vern Clark, chief of naval operations, said that the Cole's hull at the point of the blast was designed to

withstand 51,000 pounds of pressure per square inch which meant that this blast was devastatingly powerful to rip a hole in the side of the warship. Later, the side of the ship wore a white cloth over the gaping hole ripped into the hull by the blast. Yemeni speedboats patrolled the area bounded by the coast and a peninsula.

One Pentagon official said the two men aboard the small boat appeared to stand moments before the blast, but Mr. Cohen and Admiral Clark declined to speculate on their actions before the blast or their motives. Both are believed to have died in the explosion. It was not clear if others were aboard.

The harbor area was tense and tightly sealed by army and police units of Yemen, many of them in camouflage. One officer said: "The Americans are our friends. This is bad for Yemen." Mr. Clinton, already grappling with escalating violence in the Middle East, appeared in the Rose Garden at the White House Thursday afternoon and solemnly vowed to determine who was responsible and hold them accountable. His remarks raised the possibility of American military retaliation. Ali Abdullah Saleh, the president of Yemen and a former army general, said there was no evidence linking the blast to the current fighting in Israel. "Yemen does not have any terrorist elements, and there is no relationship between this and what is happening in the occupied territories," Mr. Saleh said.

Despite its history as a haven for terrorist groups, the United States has been trying to engage Yemen diplomatically. American ships have stopped in Aden a dozen times since last year, officials said. Admiral Clark said that efforts to improve ties with Yemen were "at the heart of the motivation" to use its refueling station.

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Editor's Note

Already fall is here and the school year is in full swing. Classes are becoming routine, meal times are becoming less exciting and the social life is becoming more settled.

We on staff would like to take a divergence from the routine. As a staff we have realized how powerful a newspaper can be. Within four issues, this year's paper has become the cause of much controversy.

Within a liberal arts community, controversy can be good. However, within a Christian community, excessive controversy becomes a dividing line.

The commandment in the Gospel of John to "love one another" has been strained and put aside. This strain was not the intention.

It is our understanding that the Crusader newspaper should maintain a journalistic professionalism. We have attempted to do so by allowing the freedom of speech to be expressed in many ways. Yet this professionalism has not always been easy to maintain and in many cases enormous "un-professionalisms" were missed, causing more harm than good. We would like to apologize for this.

The last issue received more e-mails, phone calls and verbal comments than any so far this year and hopefully more than any all year long. We were greatly disappointed and displeased at the extreme un-professionalism in the last issue.

We would like to give our most sincere apologies to our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ for any harm done. It is our hope and desire that this newspaper be a safe place for students to express their concerns, desires and hearts. Again, we apologize to the Campus, students, faculty, alumni and all those who have been affected by our errors.

We have decided that the Crusader will continue and that the issues from this point on will be the best ever. Many thanks to everyone who has supported and continues to support Northwest Nazarene University publications.

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Julios Coleman tells life story, dreams

by Shannon Filonczuk
Campus News Writer

His plans were to play football and to be a lawyer. God had other plans for Julios Coleman, fourth year Assistant basketball coach and director of Intramural sports at NNU.

Coleman first started playing basketball competitively in Jr. High. Football was his first love as a child, but he thought that he would give basketball a try. He was really intrigued with basketball, and so he went to lots of camps and learned the fundamentals.

Coleman grew up in a Baptist church in southern California in the 70's. He first started going to church at his single mother's request on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings. He learned quickly at around 7 or 8 years old it was, "Either go or suffer the consequences."

Coleman continued to play basketball through high school and junior college. Playing at Pasadena State Community College for Dan Davis, who had known him since he was a preteen. Coleman without a father in his home had a special relationship with Davis. Davis was a father figure for him.

While playing at Pasadena State, Coleman was recruited by Point Loma Nazarene University. When he went and visited the beautiful campus, placed right on San Diego Peninsula with the beach on one side and the bay on the other, he knew instantly that he wanted to go there next and continue his education.

Before he got to Point Loma, the coach who recruited him retired and Davis took his place. During his time at Point Loma, Coleman studied criminal justice and made lots of great memories. While Coleman was there, Davis continued to shape and guide Coleman as a Christian.

After college Coleman had

thoughts of pursuing a career in law, and/or playing basketball overseas. So he tried his hand at clerking at a law firm in LA for a year. His thoughts were that it was a safe and secure way to start a good career. The only problem was he didn't like it. That year clerking was one of his toughest years, as he struggled internally over what his future was to be.

One day in the midst of his struggles he called on coach Davis. Davis just happened to know of a Graduate assistant position at Kansas State with coach Davis's friend Tom Asbury. Coleman jumped at the opportunity to get back to his game, basketball.

At Kansas State, a campus of twenty thousand students in the heart of the cornfields of Midwest America, far from home and what he knew, Coleman found a new home. About Asbury, head coach at Kansas State University, Coleman said, "Coach made you feel welcome and at home."

In his position as Graduate assistant to the K. State NCAA division onemans basketball team, Coleman did many things. He tutored the basketball players, did scouting, assisted in running summer camps and while he was at it, made some new friends. He especially took notice of another tutor who worked with the football team. After knowing her for a year and hearing that she had broken up with her previous boyfriend, Coleman decided to ask Becky out. Becky said yes.

Becky was from Idaho, and as their relationship grew he decided to come home with her and visit her parents.

After their stints at Kansas State, Becky wanted to move back to Idaho and be closer to family.

Coleman like the small town feel of Nampa and the closeness of the larger city of Boise. They moved and their relationship continued to grow. He got a job as a teacher with the public schools and volunteered to help out with the NNU basketball team.

When a position opened up at NNU coach Sanders was quick to hire Coleman on because of his experiences working for a NCAA division I basketball team and his background of going to a Nazarene university. Coach Sanders was sure that Coleman would be able to fit into the program at NNU. Coach Sanders said, "He knew what was expected. What the life style was like (here at NNU)... and what our kids were like and was a good fit."

This will be Coleman's 4th season as assistant basketball coach and intramural director at NNU. Coleman just last month married Becky.

"B-ball wise I'm very happy here... someday I hope to be my own coach and run my own program," said Coleman. Coleman has a passion for coaching, "I really enjoy all aspects of recruiting, scouting and working with the kids."

The accomplishment that he is most proud of in life is being a college graduate. He is the first in his family. It means more to him than any other accomplishment he has achieved, even the ones he has achieved on the court.

There are two games he has had as a player that he considered the best games. In high school he scored 42 points in a Christmas tournament. His mom still talks about that game. In college he set the record at Point Loma Nazarene for most 3's on a night against University of Redland, CA. He scored 29 points, had 19 assists and the score

of that game was 133 to 116.

His best game as a coach was last year against Albertson College when they were ranked third in the NAIA division II league and NNU played spoiler. In that game, "Josh Coop had a great game... scoring, assisting, rebounding..." a player that Coleman works with as assistant coach.

But, this year is going to be tougher.

NNU has moved up two levels from the NAIA division II league they were in to NCAA division 2. Now NNU has a chance at playing in the Elite Eight championships at the end of the year and going to Louisville, Kentucky if they are one of the winners of the eight regional conferences.

NNU got a dose of division II play last year. The league is big, so NNU had to get big fast. That's one way Coleman has helped out immensely.

Coach Sanders says that Coleman has been instrumental at selling Idaho to parents who are concerned about sending their children here. With Coleman's efforts the NNU basketball team has been able to recruit athletes from Texas, Florida and California. Making the NNU team much more capable of competing in the larger NCAA division 2 league.

Coach Sanders said this about Coleman, "You can't out work him, he's very thorough and if you ask him to do something he's going to get it done. He's a student of the game, always watching tapes, very loyal, loves the game."

Coleman has been around a lot of coaches and from each he has been able to learn how to be a great coach. The ones who influenced him the most were: former coach of K State Bob Hansen, present coach

at K. State Tom Asbury, and Point Loma Nazarene coach Dan Davis.

What Hansen did that influenced Coleman was how he dealt with people. "He can take a room full of people and make the small people feel important. He had a great knowledge of the game and he was one of those tough coaches who related with players so well that even though he was working them really hard they still loved him," said Coleman.

From Tom Asbury he learned about the detail aspects of being a basketball coach, being very detail oriented.

From Dan Davis, Coleman's coach at Point Loma, he learned one of the most important parts of being a great coach. From Davis he learned how to be a good role model, and a Christian mentor to he players on

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~Coach Sanders

the team.

From each of these coaches he has taken bits and pieces, but he feels he still has more to learn about being a head coach before he takes on a program of his own.

What Coleman wants to be remembered for as a coach is, "Not so much the coaching, but the passion... for my players and that they can rely on me and each other."

Coleman wants to be a coach like his coaches were and, "Develop kids into men."

Freshmen 'open house' weekly

by Mindy Oldenkamp
Campus News Staff Writer

Maybe some of you have noticed something a little bit out of the ordinary happening around the Freshman dorms this semester.

Perhaps you have seen a much more regular flow of members of the opposite sex traveling in and out of the Ford and Culver Halls, and I do not mean through the windows.

In a new change of policy, Freshmen dormitories are now being allowed to experience the joy of Open House on a much more frequent basis than in years previous.

Every other Tuesday night from 7 to 10 p.m., the doors of Ford and Culver are simultaneously open wide to all.

Now, for any of you who have attended NNU as a freshman before this new policy, take a moment to listen to the reasons before you all get bitter and form an angry mob and head for Student Development.

For one, having Freshmen Open Houses on a more regular ba-

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~Karen Pearson

sis takes away some of the novelty of the event, and instead of a huge occurrence, it makes the evening less of a distraction for those who need to study, or feel like open house may be an unwelcome invasion.

Since the dorms are open at the same time, the number of visitors making the trek to the opposite side has been cut down to a trickle instead of a flood.

In addition, opening up Ford on a more regular basis allows for the spacious lobbies to be utilized by people just wanting a place to socialize or for study groups.

"We don't really have a good place on campus for students to just hang out, and by opening up the Ford lobbies, we hope to change that," said Karen Pearson, acting Director of Student Life. "We've added more furniture and are trying to open them up."

The decision to add more Open House opportunities for the Freshman was not just a random one, but rather a group decision made only after feedback from the Resident Directors and Resident Assistants.

"It should work out well, and we hope to continue it for the rest of the year, as long as it remains successful," added Pearson.

Upperclassmen may have wished for this treat as Freshmen, but now they know it is for good.

Bible study and fun

by Allison Cummins
Campus News Staff Writer

Culver Hall is now holding what was known as a Bible Study for only the freshman boys. But now with new changes, The Huddle is now simply a Worship time and it is now for all NNU boys. A Culver RA, Marshal Schott, is the young man who came up with the idea. He said, "It was something God wanted me to do. I felt like God wanted me to start this, something new and big."

Schott says that it is actually a time where the guys can get together and share time in worship and prayer. "If someone wants to read a passage from the Bible they can, but other than that, there is no set discussion and really we don't have discussions. It is really just time to pray and worship," adds Schott.

The normal worship is contemporary. "Sometimes we sing hymns..." Right now the leader is Schott. "If anyone wants to lead they can, they just need to let me now."

The Huddle meets every Thursday night at 7:45pm and normally lasts anywhere from 45 minutes to an hour and a half. Since the nights are getting cold, The Huddle has been moved inside. It meets in the second east lobby.

All young men are welcome to attend, but there is no obligation. "People can come and go as they please, and they don't have to feel bad if they come in late, or have to leave early." Schott said. It is a very accepting environment! It is a great time of worship!

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Miss Hawaii is Miss America 2001

NNU website gets new look

By Brooke VanDamm
Campus News Staff Writer

They say Atlantic City is "Where all your dreams come true," and for one young woman Saturday night that statement rang true. Unfortunately, that person was not NNU's Christi Tiel but you would never have known it by the support and cheers she received in the Science Lecture Hall during Miss America 2001. The first Miss America taking place in the new millennium.

The crowd in the Lecture Hall numbered about 100 and all of those people were there to support a fellow student and friend. Sophomore Kevin Seward said, "It's great to see NNU come together to support her cause, her pursuit and her passion." Many were disappointed when Tiel was eliminated only about ten minutes into the program but her attitude when interviewed by host Marie Osmond showed what a great outlook she had on the whole thing. She talked about being excited to be there and having peace about the pageant. Freshman Beth Folkestad, who doesn't know Tiel said this about her, "It's really neat to see Christi up there. I was really im-



Miss America | 2001
Angela Perez Baraquio

M I S S A M E R I C A 2001--Miss Hawaii won, though students rooted their hardest for Christi Tiel, Miss Idaho. (photo from abc.go.com)

Miss Hawaii. She is an elementary school teacher, whose platform is character building in schools.

There is really only one way to sum up how amazing it was to see a fellow NNU student in the famous Miss America pageant. So in the words of NNU's own Joe Chapman, "Wow!" It was a sight to see, a first for many and something most of us will never forget, especially Miss Idaho 2001 Christi Tiel.

pressed with her speech in chapel. I could tell she loved God and she had such a good attitude."

In case you missed Miss America 2001. Former talk show hosts Donnie and Marie Osmond hosted the show. Christi Tiel was introduced in the beginning along with the 51 other contestants. After the first commercial break they narrowed it down to ten semi-finalists. They competed in the swimsuit and eveningwear phases and after that the number dwindled to five: Miss Mississippi, Miss Louisiana, Miss Hawaii, Miss California and Miss Kentucky showed off their talents and spent about ten minutes being interviewed by Marie Osmond and then the winner was announced. The winner was Angela Perez Baraquio,



MISS IDAHO, WE LOVE YOU!--Students of NNU show up to support Christi Tiel, an NNU Senior, as she competes for the title of Miss America. (Photo courtesy of Haniel Massoud).

Social work class mets homeless in Portland

By Laurissa Hurst
Campus News Staff Writer

As students, most of us can say that we revel in the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in our major field of study. This type of experience helps us to grow in a knowledge and appreciation of our future career choice.

This past weekend, a group of Social Work students had the chance to get just such experience.

SW 297 or Urban Field Experience is "a several day urban immersion experience," according to the NNU 2000-2001 catalog.

This course takes a look at services for the homeless and the programs for the development of housing stock for low income people in one major urban area.

This year, Professor Hull and the Urban Field Experience class took a

look at the organizations of Portland, Oregon. The class visited Union Gospel Mission, Portland Housing Authority, Sisters of the Road Café, Housing Foundation of Oregon, Open House Ministries and Sunny Side Café. These organizations gave them an up-close look at homelessness and housing in Portland.

Julie McClure, a Junior Social Work major said her favorite time of the trip was spending time with the homeless. McClure said that she saw many young homeless people and it really gave her a lot to think about.

"It gave me a look at people my own age who are dealing with being homeless; it made me realize how fortunate I really am."

Tania Reardon and Linda Desenclos agreed that it was all

really memorable. These ladies shared that, "Serving the homeless people at Union Gospel Mission was an awesome experience." Reardon said she was amazed at how open and accepting the people were to them and their service.

Accordign to McClure she really enjoyed just hanging out with the people they met and really getting to know them. However she shared that some of their comments really surprised her and opened her eyes.

One homeless girl said about McClure growing up in a Christian home. "I feel really sorry for you."

"This was a shock to me," McClure said, "I never thought about it that way. I guess as a Christian we always think about it the other way, we feel sorry for people who did not grow up Christian. This girl's comment really

caused me to think."

Kami Watson shared several highlights from the trip.

"My favorite part of the trip was socializing with people my age who lived on the streets. I was able to share my beliefs and answer several questions about my relationship with Christ."

According to Watson the time spent with the great group of college kids was definitely worth the long ride.

One man shared "There is no shortage of food for us [homeless people] here in Portland, often we are overfed. What we need is a place to stay."

This statement speaks truth into the situation of homelessness in Portland, as well as cities around the U.S.A., and why all these organizations are so important.

Hitting right notes

By Andrea Souza
Campus News Staff Writer

You may have noticed a lovely, petite music professor walking around campus this year and wondered, "Who is that new prof?"

If you have spent any time around the Fine Arts Building, or in one of her choirs, you may have had the privilege of conversing with her. Dr. Susan Armstrong is new to the NNU campus, a remarkable woman with incredible musical talent and a fervent heart.

Dr. Armstrong went to Point Loma Nazarene University (at the time, College) in San Diego, California (which just so happens to be her favorite place in the world). She grew up in Pasadena, California, but she has lived in many places throughout her life.

She attended five years of graduate school at the University of Oklahoma, where she received both her Master's Degree and her doctorate in choral conducting.

Since then she has had many years of teaching experience on the college level, including two years as a professor at Eastern Nazarene

College and nine years at Malone College in Ohio. Upon moving to Nampa, Dr. Armstrong has utilized her musical talents for the Lord, serving as one of the worship pastors at College Church of the Nazarene.

Now a full-time faculty member at NNU, Dr. Armstrong is the director of the Northwesterners Choir, as well as a co-director of the University Choir. She also teaches a church music class and gives private voice lessons to many students.

Those who have been fortunate enough to meet Dr. Armstrong have probably noticed two things about her. She is passionate about her

music, and she has a great love for her students.

When asked what she thought her students should know about her teaching style, she replied,

"This is an excellent school. The students in music are very talented and committed to Christ and I love working with them. I believe that I'm just where God wants me to be."

~Dr. Susan Armstrong

combine love and care with high expectations."

So choir students, take note—she may seem somewhat nit-picky about the details, but it is only because she sees our great musical potential and wants us to strive for excellence.

If Dr. Armstrong could give college students one piece of advice, it would be this: "Be looking out for the surprises that God brings into your life."

She says that sometimes we have our lives so planned out that we fail to see the blessings God brings to us in disguise.

For example, Dr. Armstrong had always thought she would enjoy teaching music, but she never imagined that she would be teaching colleges students. She feels that God has blessed her in so many ways through the surprises of her life.

Now that she is at NNU, she feels even more blessed. "This is an excellent school and I think I have wonderful faculty colleagues.

The students in music are very talented and committed to Christ and I love working with them. I believe that I'm just where God wants me to be."

Take the opportunity to get to know Dr. Susan Armstrong. Take the chance to welcome her to the NNU community, you will be glad you did!

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Class Elections show excitement for new year

by Allison Cummins
Campus News Staff Writer

Elections for the freshman class were held on Thursday, October 12, 2000. After a long hard week of campaigning and so forth, many freshmen prepared themselves for their speeches.

Among those who won, Matt Chitwood, the freshman president for the class of 2004 said, "I was really pleased with the people who won. It was a great group of people and they will all contribute a lot."

Another person who won was Julie Beymer, one of the senate positions. "I couldn't believe I won..." She said as she saw her name on the door of the SGA Vice President's office.

Besides Chitwood and Beymer, there are eight other Freshmen, one Junior and one Senior who got elected into office. Senior Sonya Wold won the open Senate position for her class, while Cara Heffner won the Senate position for the Junior class. Zach Marble (Vice President), Belinda Miller (Publicity Director), Krista Seltzer (Secretary), Aaron Davis (Chaplin), Marci Thorne and Carrie Hays (Social Board), Mindy Kayser and Sarah Orias (Senate) will be serving the Freshmen class. Each of the electees are excited about serving their class.

Bales said "I am looking forward to representing the class and getting to work with a great group of people. I think it will be fun! Since I am a Business Major, I think it will be beneficial for me, and I love working with money!"

Seltzer felt the same way. "I am looking forward to being more involved. I enjoy planning and we'll be doing a lot of that." Having served on Student Government while in high school, she has had some experience. "I like being involved, but more behind the scenes rather than out in front of people."

Hays has some big ideas for the 2000-2001 school year as far as

the Freshmen are concerned. "I would like to do Community Service projects, get the Freshmen involved. I am excited about getting to know more people and working with this council. It's going to be an awesome year!"

Marble claimed that some of his biggest plans include all of the class. "I want to make it a fun year

"I'm glad to belong in a leadership position. I hope to express ideas for my class, and help them to get what they want. I want this year to run smoothly. I also want outside ideas . . . people can come talk to me!"

~Matt Chitwood

for the Freshmen. I want to hear what they want." Marble has served on councils within his youth group, but never a student council in school. "Matt and I thought it would be fun to run together, and I wanted to be involved," he added.

Kayser agreed with the rest of the council saying simply "I like to be involved."

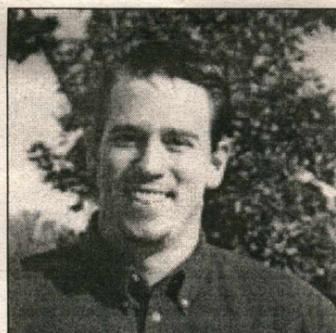
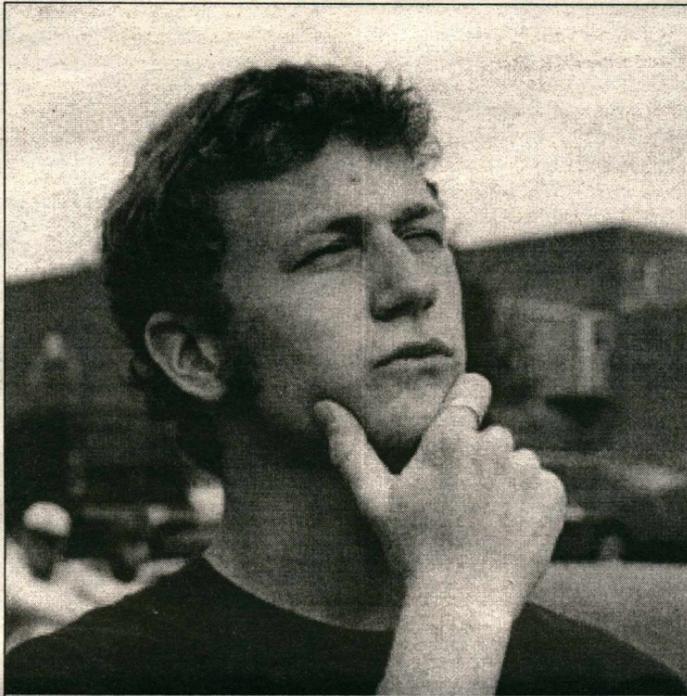
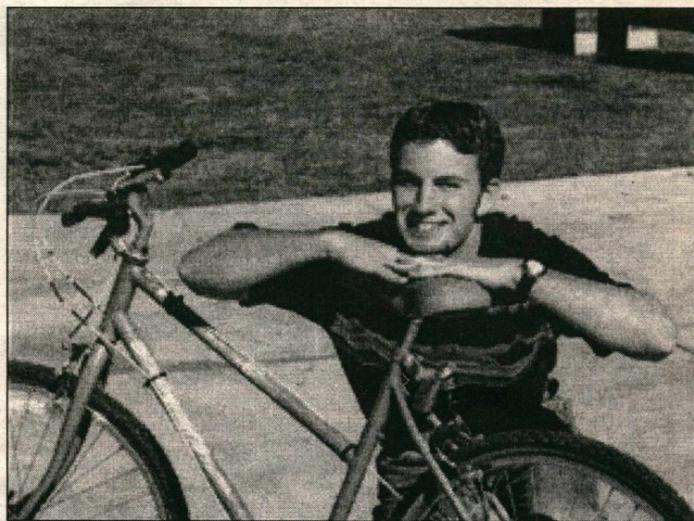
Chitwood shared some of his goals and confessed that they have not changed since he won the election. "I'm glad to belong in a leadership position. I hope to express ideas for my class, and help them to get what they want. I want this year to run smoothly. I also want outside ideas... people can come talk to me!"

Chitwood also shared some ideas he had to help make this year better for everyone. "We definitely need to have to the Ford Hall and Culver Hall open housed on different nights!" Many freshmen would agree to that. "We need

more class parties and activities." And of course, no one could forget his promise of "FREE ICE CREAM, all year round."

Beymer once mentioned that she was excited for the new friendships that would be made during this year. New opportunities would open up, not only for the students in office, but for the students as well.

And who can forget the new ideas for the class as well as the school. It's time to bring everyone together. As most of the campaign speeches said, "This year is going to be a great year!" The Freshmen have elected many fine people to help make it that exciting year.



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Class Council

Idaho state education budget

by Shannon Filonczuk

Campus News Writer

On Thursday September 29th, Allison Westfall, Public Information Officer for the State Department of Education addressed Reg Hill's intro to journalism class.

Westfall's job is to convey information to the public on how their children are being educated and how the state is doing on education overall.

The best way that she can get that info is through teachers as they talk with the public, one on one. She holds conferences with the teachers and sends out newsletters to help teachers be able to convey this info as best they can.

Another way is through the weekly television show that she holds late nights on Idaho Public Television.

In January she will be going before the finance committee in the

state legislature to ask for a billion dollar budget for the 2002 school year. This budget is for many things, partly for a pay increase in teacher salaries. Compared the rest of the nations teacher salary rates, Idaho's near last place. Westfall says that the requested increase is to try and get Idaho's pay scale near that of Utah's.

This is the largest budget ever sought for funding the states public schools K-12. Westfall pointed out that "Billion" shouldn't be so surprising though. "The budget has been creeping up, and just now it has reached that number..." said Westfall.

The state is currently only able to pay 70% of the states teachers salaries through state funds, Westfall informed us. The other half has to come out of the funding for other parts of school funding like

construction.

The state is currently being sued for the backlog of school construction projects as the urban school enrollment grows and rural shrinks. She will be fighting in the next legislative session for the 250 Million dollar tax surplus to go to school construction.

Westfall also noted that she really enjoys her job as a PIO.

Her background is as a reporter, knowing how to use media connections helps her daily with her job duties. "I like working with reporters," said Westfall on how the job takes her back to her roots of being a reporter. When she was a reporter she met her husband. Westfall is currently pregnant has been talking with her boss, Marilyn Howard, the State Superintendent of Education about telecommuting once the baby comes.

Super Seven great time for NNU

by Sonya Wold

Crusader Copy Editor

This past Friday after a strenuous day of classes, nine NNU students loaded up in a school van and headed for the town of Moscow, Idaho.

Dan Wilcot, Nick Shoemaker, Zach Paulson, Megan Griff, Jenna Atwood, Paul Clark, Krista Charvet, Jared Wolfgang and I spent Friday afternoon in a big van.

These students were going to represent the school at a huge all nighter called Super 7 for Northwest District teens at the University of Idaho.

After driving for six long hours, they made it to the Kibbie Dome, where they had the privilege of staying up for the next seven hours of the night.

A few of the guys reeled football for the entire evening. Adam Watkins tried his luck at three on three basketball. The rest of the group participated in volleyball, swimming, racquetball, played board games or tried to take a nap in a quiet corner out of the way.

This was the second year that I personally had the chance to attend this event as an ambassador for NNU and not just a teen. It was

a great chance for the teens to learn about NNU and get to know some of the students that actually go there. Many of the teens we met may still be in junior high, but when it comes time to choose a college I hope that they will remember the time that we spent with them.

Others seemed to think of the event as being a positive experience for both themselves and the teen that they met.

Clark commented, "Give me a free van ride and free good, and you can get me to do or say just about anything. So, Super 7 was fantastic."

Singin' in the rain or shine

by Lynette Brown

Campus News Editor

If any student has ever been to a Crusader Choir or Northwestern's concert, they might notice that the two choirs have a wonderful blend of voices that sing together as one. The students that take note of this may just assume it is because the choirs have been working together in order to achieve the togetherness. This would be an accurate assumption, but there is a little more to the sound than just working together.

At the beginning of the school year, both choirs take off a weekend and head to McCall, Idaho for a retreat. At the retreats, the students work on the music for the year for many hours to perfect what they have so far.

However, though this is a huge reason to go on the retreat it would not be the only reason to go.

One of the main purposes would be bond together as a group; to form a union which adds to the togetherness of the sound. So, what happens at a choir retreat besides singing?

Northwesterners went on their retreat over the weekend of October 6-8. While in McCall, they stayed at a Bed and Breakfast. Besides learning music, these singers kept themselves busy!

There were games that allowed the group to get to know each other better. They had a time of worship and fellowship. Senior Carrie Goldsmith said "My favorite part was our service on Saturday night.

We just sang and prayed and shared in small groups. I felt so much closer to everyone after that. It was one of the greatest, most open worship services that I've been a part of for a long time. I am so thankful to be a part of this group!"

Also, a popular activity was present at their retreat. The infamous "initiation" for all newcomers to the group. One initiation required Brandon Hill dressing up as Prince Charming, and asking people in downtown McCall to try on the glass slipper!

Stephanie Wirick stated "The normal cliques were not any problem, and I felt that even though there was a much more rigorous rehearsal

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~Stephanie Wirick

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The Crusader Choir took off on Friday the 13 and came back on Sunday the 15. This choir stayed up at the Nazarene Camp, Victory Cove—the last Nazarene group to ever do so. Besides the hours spent learning the new materiel, there were

fun moments for them, too.

Games that required the students to get to know one another better were popular. The old timers were relieved that the game "Mix up the Fruit Basket" lasted a mere 45 minutes as opposed to the three hours the game lasted last year.

One of the other fun activities for Crusader Choir was the few hours allowed to spend any way they wanted.

Some students stayed up at the camp, while most went to McCall for a couple of hours to relax or do homework. Though the weather was drizzly and dreary, the choir had a great time while there.

Junior David Kadel had a great time while in McCall. "Some of the highlights of McCall included eating caramel apples with half of the choir, spotting the oddly dressed mannequin and searching for the nonexistent knife shop," Kadel claimed.

Wirick, a new singer to this choir said "The Crusader Choir retreat was relaxed, and yet very successful as far as learning music was concerned. There was a very open, welcoming attitude for all of us that were new, and I enjoyed getting to know everyone."

Both of the choirs had a wonderful time on the retreats. The students came back with wonderful memories and many new friends.

All the singers would probably agree with Goldsmith when she said "Retreat was an awesome time to get to know each other better."

Shari's reopened

by Shannon Filonczuk

Campus News Staff Writer

"It's been interesting", said James Perritte, general manager of the once fire stricken, now reopened Shari's restaurant at 1807 Caldwell Blvd., Nampa.

On July 14th, an improperly installed water heater started an electrical fire that spread up the wall to the roof damaging the ceiling trusses and the ventilation ducts.

The fire set back the opening from the original date Monday, July 18th till Monday, September 18th and cost a total of 500,000 dollars.

"My first concern was for the 90 new employees just hired," said James Perritte on his first thoughts after the fire. With the delayed opening many of the original employees couldn't financially wait two months and had to find new jobs. James Perritte conducted new interviews and had a crew of nearly

ninety people ready to go to work on Monday, September the 18th.

"It's going to be the new hangout for the NNU crowd!"

~Brannon McDaniel

The September opening date may have meant that it has been a bit slower business than a July opening. But, James Perritte said noting the theater next door and the lack of late night competition, "I'm expecting this to be the busi-est store in the state."

"I'm excited! You can eat any time you want," said Meghan Shaw, a student at NNU.

Brannon McDaniel, another student said, "It's going to be the new hangout for the NNU crowd."

Shoemaker explained, "Super 7 was a great time to get to know people of this campus community that I wouldn't normally interact with. The best part of the trip was being able to encourage a young man to let his actions and attitude speak louder than his words, both in the sports arena and in life."

So after staying up for a total of close to 24 very long hours I had the privilege of driving the first

three hours of the lengthy trip home.

I have to say that it is great fun being the only one awake at 7am in what seemed like the middle of no where! The time invested was well worth it though.

Any of the nine students would encourage you to go next year. Wolfinger summed it up best by saying, "We as college students need to get the message of Jesus out to the teens around us."



CHEESE!--NNU students have fun at Super Seven in Idaho. (photo courtesy of Sonya Wold)

Switch the places

by Mindy Oldenkamp

Campus News Staff Writer

If by any chance you have walked by the Career Center lately, you may have noticed somewhat of a change in faces lightening up that office.

Sitting at the neatly organized desk and offering a sweet piece of candy to any student happening by, is the welcoming face of Sue Bankston.

Formerly nestled in an upstairs office as a familiar figure in the office of Student Development, Sue has now moved to new territory.

The offices of Student Development and the Career Center were previously one united office, but in the past years have had to split in order to make room for all the opportunities and services available to the student body.

This meant that there was a great deal of things happening in an office without a warm face to help everything run smoothly, and an office upstairs with twice as much.

So, in a change that shook up the way things had been for the past fifteen years, Sue took all her comforts and packed them down a short flight of stairs to a new desk with a view of students and sun-

shine.

"This is something that I wanted to do, but the transition was hard," Sue stated, "I'm still figuring out just how everything's working, but I'm glad that I can be down here to help out."

Without a full time secretary to help keep a handle on the workings of the Career Center, covering all of the student body's need had become a hit and miss project. Students would often not know whether or not Joanne Rittmueller would be in her office, and would wait a visit that was not to happen. Students also have had difficulty in finding the school nurse, Cheri Marshall.

Now, these are no longer issues, as Sue eagerly helps track down students' needs and answers the questions that come up.

"I'm glad that I can be down here to help things go smoothly. It seems as though they needed someone, and I'm glad it could be me."

Now, as you walk through the Student Center and glance over at the Career Center, stop in and say hello to Sue, and perhaps she even be willing to share her candy with you.

West Bank turmoil continues

By Ryan Hanson
Off-Campus News Writer
JERUSALEM, Israel—

This Friday, Yasser Arafat refused to attend a Mideast summit until Israel agrees to stop firing on Palestinian demonstrators at flashpoints in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. This comes despite increasing international pressure.

On the West Bank, violence continued with two Palestinians killed by Israeli gunfire. In Jerusalem, Israeli police masquerading as Palestinians seized two Arab teenagers throwing stones at the U.S. Consulate, and proceeded to beat them.

Kofi Annan, the Secretary-General of the U.N., led diplomatic efforts to bring together Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, and Arafat at a U.S. led summit at Egypt's Sinai resort of Sharm el-Sheik.

Following a meeting with Arafat, Annan said that he was optimistic that a summit could be held in Egypt within a few days.

President Clinton called many Arab leaders, including Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, to win their backing for a summit. Mubarak has spoken with Arafat six times in the last 24 hours in order to persuade him to attend. Annan was headed for Egypt Saturday.

Though Palestinian officials said that mediation efforts would continue they remained skeptical of the summit.

"Israel must stop its attacks, and if Barak does not agree to Palestinian conditions, there will not be a summit," Palestinian negotiator Nabil Shaath said.

Arafat's conditions include Israel's withdrawal of troops from the entrances of Palestinian cities, a lift of the siege of West Bank towns, and an agreement to the establishment of an international commission of inquiry into the violence.

Barak also appeared reluctant saying to Israel TV's Channel One, "We have no problem with attending a summit that will stop

the violence. We are not willing to get there by rewarding violence."

Across the West Bank, Palestinian protestors marched to demonstrate against Israel's rocket attacks Thursday against Palestinian government buildings, including broadcast centers and police stations. Israel fired the missiles in retaliation for the brutal killing of two Israeli reserve soldiers by a Palestinian mob in a police station in the West Bank town of Ramallah.

The two Israeli soldiers that were killed by a Palestinian mob had taken a wrong turn. They were taken to Ramallah's police station and beaten and stabbed when the mob stormed the building. Many Israelis see the incident in Ramallah as a watershed.

A large front-page photo of a Palestinian man victoriously raising blood covered hands to signal to the frenzied crowd that the two soldiers had been killed, was ran in the Yedoit Ahronot daily.

Nahum Barnea wrote that the pictures "will be etched for eternity into the history of the conflict," in the front-page commentary.

Cook said that Arafat told him that the killers would be arrested. Palestinian Information Minister, Yasser Abed Rabbo said only that an investigation was to be completed in a few days.

"This is our fight and we defy Barak and his tanks and planes," said Marwan Barghouti, the West Bank leader of Arafat's Fatah movement, while standing on the ruins of a police station destroyed by Israeli rockets on Thursday.

Barak has singled out Barghouti as the mastermind of the shooting attacks on Israelis.

Later, a firefight erupted between some of the demonstrators that Barghouti was addressing and Israeli troops who were manning a checkpoint north of Ramallah.

In the West Bank town of Hebron, a 22-year-old Palestinian was killed in what the Israeli army said was a gun battle between Is-



CITY ABLAZE! ~ Smoke rises over Ramallah, West Bank, skyline after Israeli helicopters fired missiles at a Palestinian police station in the city Thursday. (Photo courtesy of Krtdirect.com).

raeli troops and gunmen mingling with Palestinian rock throwers in the center of town. A second Palestinian was killed by Israeli fire in clashes in the refugee camp of Al Fawar, south of Hebron.

A total of 96 people, most Palestinians, have been killed in the 16 days of conflicts, triggered by the visit of Israel's hard-line opposition leader, Ariel Sharon, to a Jerusalem shrine that is sacred to both Jews and Muslims, known to Jews as the Temple mount, and to the Muslims as the Noble Sanctuary.

Sharon said of his visit to the shrine that "The Temple Mount is the holiest place for the Jewish People - the remains of the temple are there. It is not only my right but my duty to go there."

On Friday, Israeli police pre-

vented Muslim worshippers under age 45 from gathering for weekly noon prayers at the site. Deadly clashes have erupted on the previous two Fridays between police and rock-throwers, during prayer.

The relative decrease in violence on Friday suggests that Israel and the Palestinians were stepping back from the brink of an all-out conflict.

The summit is far from sealed. The relations between Arafat and Barak are so strained that the two leaders have asked for international mediators, including British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook and Annan to carry messages back and forth.

The goal of the summit is not to restart negotiations between Israel and Palestine, but rather it would reach to bring a truce between the two. The fighting has cut deep on both sides, with both Barak and Arafat each say-

ing that they no longer had a partner for peace.

Barak is also in trouble politically. Parliament resumes in two weeks, and the prime minister now only has the support of a fourth of Israel's 120 legislators.

Barak has invited Sharon's Likud party to form an emergency coalition, a step seen by Palestinians as a signal that the prime minister is completely abandoning peace talks.

A cabinet minister, Rabbi Michael Melchior, said an alliance with Sharon and his Likud party might only be temporary. If Arafat returns to negotiations in good faith, "then I think it will be difficult to stick... with the national unity government," Melchior said.

Link found between Agent Orange, Diabetes

By Rachelle Robinett
Staff Writer

Even though the Vietnam War is well over, the effects from the environment of Vietnam are still present in those that fought for our country. There are many mental disturbances that the soldiers have undergone and are continuing to deal with.

There are a myriad of physical ailments that those who fought will have to live with for the rest of their lives. Some of these ailments are strictly from injuries that are expected from any war, but there are also many unexpected ailments from new tactics used during that war. Many of those ailments caused Agent Orange.

Agent Orange is a herbicide used to clean areas of the jungle so the Viet-Cong could be seen and attacked from the air. Many Vietnam veterans were exposed to Agent Orange during the war. If veterans can prove a direct causal relationship between Agent Orange and diabetes they will

qualify to receive service-based compensation. Many with diseases already receive service-based compensation, including Hodgkin's disease, multiple myeloma, respiratory cancers, soft-tissue sarcoma and prostate cancer. Also, veterans' children that have congenital birth defects of the spine, called spina bifida, are also eligible for health care benefits.

According to an Institute of Medicine study, "There may be an association between exposure to Agent Orange in Vietnam and getting diabetes in later life."

This is not yet proven, however, according to Dr. David J Tollerud, director of the center for Environmental and Occupation Health at Hahnemann University School of Public Health in Philadelphia, "research findings that have now accumulated over a long period of time seem to support the possibility of a link between Agent Orange exposure and Type Two diabetes."

Type Two diabetes has an adult-

hood onset opposed to Type One, which begins in childhood. Some know predictors of Type One diabetes are family history, physical activity, and obesity. And the "there is a limited/suggestive evidence of an association between exposure of herbicide used in Vietnam or contaminant dioxin and Type Two diabetes: the known predictors of diabetes risk," continue to greatly outweigh many suggested increased risk from wartime exposure of herbicide," adds Tellerud.

Nothing is completely proven about the link between Agent Orange and diabetes; however, the research is substantiating enough that more research will be carried out.

Maybe the link will be found and Type two diabetes will be added to the list of side effects of Agent Orange. If this is the case, we will continue to reveal more victims of the Vietnam War and they can be provided for from the side effects of fighting for our country.

Diabetes: Abnormal sugar metabolism

At least 135 million people worldwide are diabetic. About 10% have Type 1, insulin-dependent diabetes; the rest have Type 2, non-insulin-dependent diabetes.

How diabetes develops

Pancreas: Narrow digestive gland behind the liver

Islets of Langerhans: Specialized cells that produce the hormone insulin

Beta cell: Produces insulin

Part of intestine: Glucose, other food molecules

▶ When level of glucose (sugar) in blood changes, specialized pancreas cells react by producing the hormone insulin

▶ In diabetes, the pancreas produces no insulin (Type 1), or too little insulin or defective insulin (Type 2).

What Insulin does

▶ Regulates amount of sugar in blood

▶ Gives body cells energy by opening a channel into cell, where glucose (sugar) and other food molecules can be absorbed from blood stream and burned to provide energy

Abnormal insulin

▶ With little or no insulin, glucose, other food molecules can't enter the cell; cell lacks energy

▶ Body breaks down fat for energy; chemical by-products can build up to toxic level

▶ Glucose accumulates in blood, causes high blood sugar level

▶ Glucose surplus passes through kidneys into urine

▶ High glucose level can be toxic to the kidneys

SOURCES: FDA Consumer magazine, The Healing Handbook for Persons with Diabetes, The Bantam Medical Dictionary, Family Medical Guide, research by JUTTA SCHEIBE



HOME AGAIN. ~ Vice-President Al Gore arrives at the White House to meet with President Clinton. Gore cut short his campaigning to discuss Middle East issues with the President and top advisors. (Photo Courtesy of Krtdirect.com).

Gore juggles responsibilities

By Lesli Nees
Off-Campus News Writer
WASHINGTON, D.C.—

The Middle East crisis provokes concern for both presidential candidates, Republican George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore. Headlines from overseas regarding both the U.S. Navy warship, terrorist bombing and the heated violence that is spreading through Israel and Palestine all but drowned out news of politics.

Al Gore attempts to keep his focus both on the campaign and in top-secret White House efforts to keep the Middle East calm. George W. Bush is involving himself as well by getting at the edges of Gores' vulnerability in his position as vice president.

On Saturday, Bush relaxed at his Texas ranch while Gore attended a campaign rally in Detroit, an area with an Arab-American community of 300,000.

On Friday Gore canceled a meeting with Arab-American activists from Michigan because of a White House national security meeting with President Clinton, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and Defense Secretary William Cohen. Main topics of discussion were the terrorist bombing of the U.S. Navy warship in Yemen and the past two weeks of heated violence between Israelis and Palestinians.

Gore, attempting to emphasize his position involving these delicate and weighty matters, told supporters that he was summoned to a meeting which was for the nation's principals.

"This is a great time of tension. It is a time when our country's leadership is needed," Gore told a crowd of 2,000 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. "As a nation, we're going to stand together and do everything we can to promote peace and security and the right outcome."

Gore met for 45 minutes on Friday evening with Arab-Americans as a make-up meeting. He met with three of the community's activists in Washington. Greg Simon, campaign advisor, said the three expressed their concern for the United States "to maintain its role as an honest broker" and not to choose sides between Israel and Palestine.

In 16 days, 96 people, two Israeli soldiers and the rest Palestinians, have been killed. Despite pleas from the Arab-American community, Gore sides with Israel, said Terry Ahwal, a member of the Ramallah Federation in suburban Dearborn, Mich. He was to have met with Gore in Detroit.

"His support to Israel I am not questioning," said Ahwal. "I believe in a secure Israel but is it fair for children to die to keep Israel secure?...He is hurting himself. We do matter, the Arabs, we vote."

Arab-Americans are traditionally swing voters, so both Bush and Gore are making their impressions on a southeastern Michigan community. According to a new poll by Marketing Resource Group, the Michigan race is close with Bush at 42 percent, Gore at 41 percent, and Green Party candidate Ralph Nader at 4 percent.

The margin of error for the survey was 5 percent and Gore had been up by 6 points in the late-August poll. Another Michigan poll run by EPIC/MRA showed Gore at

46 percent and Bush at 43 percent. The margin of error was a 4-point.

On the campaign trail in Michigan on Friday, Bush blamed Gore for the recent administrative decision to tap the nation's strategic oil reserve in effort to stabilize fuel costs.

"Every barrel released today is one less barrel available to protect us against threats to our security --- threats that are becoming more vivid with this week's turmoil and violence in the Middle East," Bush told hundreds of Pontiac auto workers. "Vice President Gore called for this release and he should take responsibility for what has occurred."

This next week Gore is increasing his spending on television ads to be aired in Michigan, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Washington, Maine and Iowa. His funds will increase to more than \$5 million, decided after cutting Ohio and Louisiana from his campaigning, since neither is an important state to win over.

During an interview on Friday, Bush questioned the role Gore plays concerning the U.S. agreement on the sale of Russian arms to Iran. Gore, co-chairman of the United States-Russia Bi-national Commission, added his name to a 1995 agreement with Clinton and then-Russian President Boris Yeltsin.

"This is a great time of tension. As a nation, we're going to stand together and do everything we can to promote peace and security and the right outcome."

~Al Gore

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News Briefs

By Amy Oglevie
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Mission Foods recalls corn chips

WASHINGTON, D.C.—

Mission Foods Co., the nation's largest manufacturer of tortilla products, recalled all its tortillas, taco shells and snack chips made with yellow corn on Friday. The recall involved the corn, because the flour used may contain an unapproved biotech variety of grain.

The move by Mission followed a decision made earlier in the week by Safeway Inc. to remove all of Mission's taco shells from its stores and an earlier recall of taco shells made by Kraft. Mission's sister company, Azteca Milling, has also announced a recall of all its flour made from yellow corn.

The health concern at hand is that of a variety of genetically engineered corn, known as StarLink. StarLink is not approved for human consumption because health officials question its potential to cause allergic reactions. "Our guiding concern has been to protect the safety of the consumer, our customers and our food products," said Steve Brummer, senior vice president of Mission Foods.

Officials at Azteca Milling decided to initiate their recall of the flour because they were not confident of the methods of testing for StarLink. The company has announced that they intend to mill only white corn in the future.

"Because StarLink is a yellow corn, and we believe that we need to assure our customers and the public that products made with our flour are safe, the surest way to bolster confidence is to make products with only white corn," said Dan Lynn, Azteca's president.

FAA audit finds faulty fasteners

WASHINGTON, D.C.—

According to a government audit released Friday, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has ignored evidence of faulty nuts and bolts used in airplane assembly. While belatedly questioning the accuracy of tests at an Air Force laboratory that found strong indications of a problem, the aviation agency has refused to handle the problem effectively.

The FAA also failed to visit the laboratory sight, Hill Air Force Base in Ogden, Utah, to verify the claim. Eliot Brenner, a spokesman for the FAA, simply noted that not visiting the Air Force Base "was an oversight."

The issue raises important safety concerns about defective bolts. From March to December of last year, the bolts in question failed on ten engines and caused one engine to shut down in flight.

The auditor's office raised the issue of fasteners with the agency in September of 1999, saying that thirty-two percent of a random sample evaluated at Hill had threads that did not meet specifications. Eight months later, according to the new report, FAA officials responded that the fasteners did not actually fail to meet standards, but that the laboratory tests were inaccurate.

"If fasteners were failing at the rate suggested by this data, manufacturers would be in our conference rooms pounding their fists on the table demanding some kinds of action," Brenner said, defending the FAA. "But they're not. The parts are holding together."

War criminal dies in NATO pursuit

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands—

A Serbian war crimes suspect in Bosnia, wanted for the rape and torture of women, killed himself Friday. In the process of fleeing from North American Treaty Organization (NATO) troops, Janko Janjic wounded four German soldiers and killed himself with a hand grenade while resisting arrest. It was the first time soldiers of the NATO-led peace force suffered casualties making arrests on behalf of the United Nations (UN) war crimes tribunal.

Janjic, who had vowed he would not be taken alive, threw a grenade which he habitually carried. The injuries from the grenade were sustained as the troops were using explosives to blast open the door of his brother's home in the Serb-held town of Foca, 25 miles southeast of Sarajevo. Janjic was fatally wounded and his brother, Oliver, was also injured.

Janjic is the third war crimes suspect in the former Yugoslavia to die resisting arrest by international troops.

NATO headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, said the soldiers did not fire their weapons during the arrest attempt.

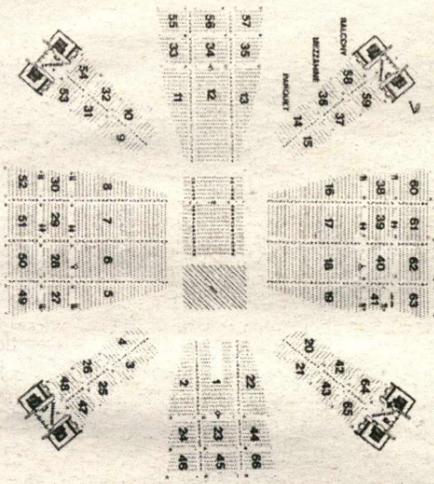
"NATO deeply regrets the loss of life as well as the injuries," said NATO Secretary-General Lord Robertson.

The German Defense Ministry said none of the wounded soldiers were in critical condition.

Upcoming concerts and event guide information

Event	Day/Date/Time	Price Ranges by Section
PAVILLION		
Jars Of Clay	Tuesday, October 24, 2000 7:00 pm	1. \$24.50 2. \$19.50 3. \$14.50
BB King	Friday, November 10, 2000 8:00 pm	1. \$32.50 2. \$27.50 3. \$19.50
Boston Pops 2000	Friday, December 1, 2000 8:00 pm	1. \$100.00 2. \$75.00 3. \$50.00 4. \$35.00 5. \$25.00 6. \$15.00

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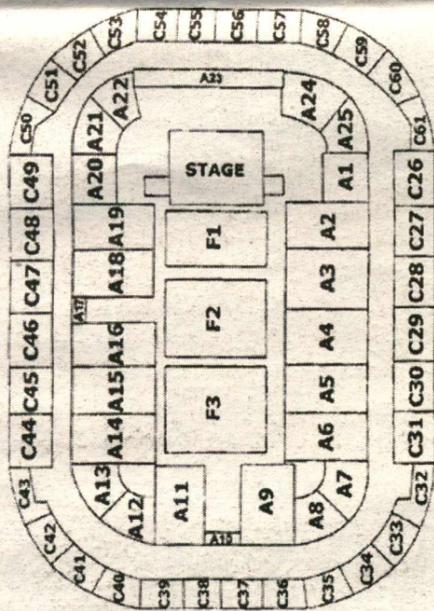
Le Nozze Di Figaro	Saturday, October 28, 2000 7:30pm	1. \$58.00 2. \$43.00 3. \$28.00
Swan Lake	Saturday, November 4, 2000 8:00 pm	1. \$35.00 2. \$35.00 3. \$28.00 4. \$16.00
Man of La Mancha	Tuesday, November 14, 2000 8:00 pm Wednesday, November 15, 2000 8:00 pm	1. \$42.50 2. \$35.00 3. \$25.00
Warren Miller "Ride"	Thursday, November 16, 2000 7:30 pm	1. \$12.00
Nutcracker	Saturday, December 9, 2000 2:00 & 8:00p Sunday, December 10, 2000 2:00 & 8:30p	Adults 1. \$35.00 2. \$35.00 3. \$28.00 4. \$16.00 Juniors 1. \$17.00 2. \$17.00 3. \$14.00 4. \$8.00

IDAHO CENTER EVENTS

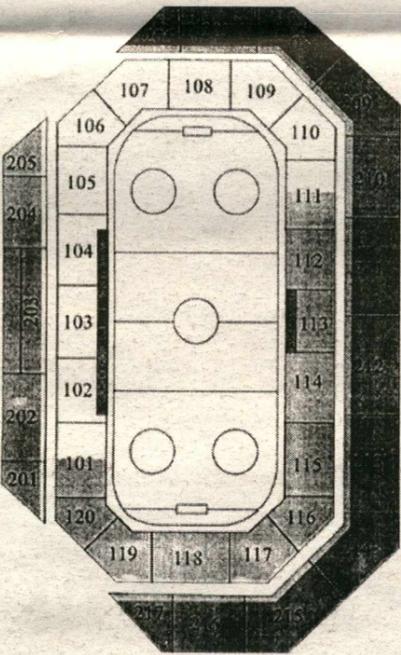
Matchbox Twenty	Wednesday, October 18, 2000 7:30 pm	Floor or Reserved: \$25.50
Pearl Jam	Friday, November 3, 2000 7:30 pm	Floor or Reserved: \$28.50

BANK OF AMERICA CENTER

Steelhead Hockey	Friday, October 20, 2000 7:00 pm	Adults 1. \$22.50 2. \$19.50 3. \$17.00
	Friday, October 27, 2000 7:00 pm	Juniors 1. \$14.25 2. \$11.00 3. \$9.00
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	Wednesday, November 8, 2000 7:00 pm	
	Wednesday, November 22, 2000 7:00 pm	
	Friday, November 24, 2000 7:00 pm	
	Saturday, November 29, 2000 7:00 pm	
	Friday, December 1, 2000 7:00 pm	
	Wednesday, December 6, 2000 7:00 pm	
	Friday, December 8, 2000 7:00 pm	
	Saturday, December 9, 2000 7:00 pm	
	Wednesday, December 13, 2000 7:00 pm	



Idaho Center



Bank of America Center

OTHER LOCATIONS:

World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame Induction	Wednesday, October 25, 2000 7:00 pm Brandt Center	Adults \$10.00 Students \$5.00
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shopping malls



BoiseTown Square
300 N. Milwaukee
Boise, ID



Article Circle
1008 3rd St. S.
Nampa, ID

“ There is an abundant amount of shops where you can find anything your heart desires.

~Jenni Monteblanco

Shari's
Caldwell Blvd.
Nampa, ID



(Photo by Han

Disorder with the In-Laws proves to be humorous

Robert De Niro and Ben Stiller make a humorous pair you can not pass up

By Noell Keyt
Feature Editor

Imagine the uneasy feelings of going to meet your girlfriend's parents for the first time. Then imagine wanting to propose to your girlfriend, but you need to ask her ex-CIA psychological profiler father, who's job was to find double agents and weed them out of the CIA, for her hand in marriage. Would this put fear in your heart?

Robert De Niro plays Jack Byrnes, a no nonsense kind of guy that is hardened by his job of protecting important CIA secrets, hunting down spies and toilet training his cat, Jinks. His sense of humor is about as large as a bowl of tomato soup, and is Greg Focker's (Ben Stiller) worst nightmare. From the first meeting to the very end of the weekend, events are nothing but falling down hill and fast. Shooting poop from the over flowing septic tank, losing Jack's trained and beloved cat and setting the wedding terrace that Jack's other daughter was going to get married under were just some of the events that unfolded in the movie.

Pam (Teri Polo) pleads with her father to "Be nice to this one. OK? I really like him," and nothing works, not till Jack realizes how much she does love Greg. Jack dislikes Greg from the start. Not only is he not good enough for his first born daughter, but Greg is a cat-hating male nurse with a vulgar sounding last name. Greg desperately attempts to get Jack's approval and so he can ask his daughter for her hand in marriage, but it seems impossible for this task to be accomplished.

The task to win him over is honesty. Greg accidentally stumbles into Jack's hidden den where he finds different tools and interesting gadgets for his CIA works. Jack just happens to find Greg in there playing with these gadgets and asks him to take a polygraph test. Jack explains to Greg "The Byrnes Family Circle of Trust". In Jack's words, "I keep nothing from you, you keep nothing from me. And around and around we go." If the circle is broken or secrets are withheld in the circle, you'll be placed outside of the circle and there is no coming back.

This movie is definitely a good movie to see with your significant other or in-laws. Not only will it keep you laughing but you will have serious second thoughts about meeting your soon to be in-laws or significant other's parents. I would definitely recommend this movie, because it's funny but isn't too vulgar or offensive to watch. Ben Stiller and Robert De Niro are a perfect pair for comedy.



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Flying M Cafe

Feels like your favorite cafe in Seattle

By Janeen Conyers
Feature writer

Its one of those hip places where you immediately walk into an atmosphere that just hits you. You feel like you went to one of those little coffee shops in downtown Seattle or Portland with all the weird little art and the India type music playing in the background. The amazing artsy people that make the place so free spirited is something you do not want to miss. Who knows they may want to break out in a dance, song or poem. The smell of brewing coffee and some sort of incense that you cannot quite place add an atmosphere of culture. When you come up to the counter there are all the assortments of the pastries that look so good its hard to pick just one. But this place is famous and legendary for this one particular pastry called the Peanut Butter Goopy. The Goopy has two particular features that makes it distinct from its brother and companion the well know Rice Crispy Treat. It is made with corn flakes combined with the scintillating mouth watering mixture of marshmallows and peanut butter. Really, I promise it tastes good. Go and give it a try.

One More Cup

The best atomosphere in town

By Sonya Wold
Feature writer

One More Cup is a very popular hang out for NNU students. Kendra Lubiens opened up the shop on 12th Avenue a little over a year ago. It can be described best as a taste of Seattle.

The thing I enjoy most about OMC is the atmosphere. It's a great place to study, hang out with friends or just relax. Often times Christian, Classical or Jazz music can be heard playing in the background.

One other thing I love about OMC is their punch cards. Each time you buy coffee you get your card stamped and when you've bought 12 coffees you get a free one. As a college student, I'm all about free!

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Comradery! Sonya Wold and Jodi Starkey share good times at One More Cup. (Photo by Karen Schlatter)

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Upcoming convention promotes marital equality

By Laura Berzins
Off-Campus News Writer

When thinking about marriage, some might envision the stereotypical 1950's view; the husband as the head of the household and the wife as his subordinate.

However, it is now the year 2000 and more people are beginning to come around to the view of complete equality between husband and wife as being the true definition of a healthy and successful marriage.

In agreement with this idea is a group that calls themselves the Christians for Biblical Equality (CBE).

They are a group of evangelical Christians who believe that the Bible teaches equality for all genders, races, ethnic groups, economic classes and age groups.

The CBE will be holding a conference from October 27-29 in Minneapolis in order to address what the Bible teaches about equality between a husband and wife in marriage.

One significant reason for holding this conference is that it is in direct response to the recent Southern Baptist Convention, which came to the conclusion that wives should indeed "graciously submit" to their husbands.

However, interestingly enough the CBE has reported that their membership numbers have actually increased in response to the ideas that were presented at the Southern Baptist Convention.

Mimi Haddad, the executive director of the CBE, explained the group's purpose by stating, "Christians for Biblical Equality does not believe marriage is

about subordination, but mutuality. Intimacy is impossible when you are subordinate to anybody else. That is not what the Bible says, and we don't think that's how God intended us to live."

In order to get this message across, the conference is scheduled to include sessions such as the theology of egalitarian marriage, dealing with conflict, an intense study of the chapters in Ephesians that discuss marriage; also a discussion about abuse and violence in relationships.

In addition, Jim Mellado who is the president of the Willow Creek Association in South Barrington, a network of outreach-oriented churches, and his wife Leanne will be speaking on the benefits of having a marriage based on equality.

This couple is qualified to speak on this subject considering that their marriage has gone through a great deal of refinement over the past few years.

Their marriage started out under the assumption that Jim would be the leader in the household, while Leanne would take on the role as more of his helpmate.

The situation has torn Leanne apart for years, especially since in her heart she continually felt the strong desire to take a more active role in the marriage and be Jim's equal.

With Leanne becoming increasingly more depressed, she and Jim decided that it was time to completely transform the established "roles" in their marriage.

Eventually, they both became involved with the CBE and Leanne even began studying for her master's degree at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield.

With this shift towards equality, Jim has noticed an apparent change in his wife. He attempts to explain it by saying, "I cannot describe to you the depth of community we have now."

Whatever we had before just cannot be compared to what we have now. She is alive and full of life, and is strong, a leader, opinionated and an innovator...and at the same time, my life has flourished too."

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Yemen blast kills 17 on Navy destroyer USS Cole



BURIAL AT SEA. ~ Port side view showing the damage sustained by the Arleigh Burke class missile destroyer USS Cole after a suspected terrorist bomb exploded during a refueling operation in the part of Aden, Yemen Thursday. (Photo courtesy of Krtdirect.com).

By Mackay Dufour
Off-Campus News Writer

Despite the Cole's technological sophistication, the ship was essentially helpless to prevent an attack of the type presumed to have happened — the maritime equivalent of a truck packed with explosives pulling up to a building.

The Cole's vulnerability to such an apparent attack immediately raised questions about the security measures the ship had taken. Admiral Clark said that the ship's captain would not have necessarily have expected a routine mooring operation to pose a threat.

Clinton said the explosion aboard the Cole would not scuttle American diplomatic efforts in the Middle East, if indeed that was the motive for the apparent attack.

"If their intention was to deter us from our mission of promoting peace and security in the Middle East, they will fail utterly," he said.

Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen said in Washington that no one had immediately claimed responsibility for the attack. He and others in Washington warned against prematurely assigning blame to any group or speculating on the motives for an attack.

While Clinton and his senior aides stopped short of definitively attributing the explosion to terrorism, senior Pentagon officials said the Cole was attacked in a highly sophisticated operation that depended on access to information about its brief visit to Aden.

They said evidence indicated that the attack may have been weeks or months in the planning, suggesting that it might not be directly related to the roiling tensions in the Middle East.

Attorney General Janet Reno announced that a Federal Bureau of Investigation team of investigators would lead the inquiry.

But according to the State Department, several radical Islamic organizations operate in Yemen. They include the Palestinian group known as Hamas, the Palestinian Islamic Jihad, the Egyptian Islamic Jihad and cells linked to Osama bin Laden, the exiled Saudi whom American officials blamed for the bombings of American embassies in Kenya and Tanzania on Aug. 7, 1998.

In the past few weeks, President Saddam Hussein of Iraq has also intensified his threats against the United States, Israel, and Arab states like Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

Even as the Cole was struck, American intelligence officials had detected movement by one of Iraq's Republican Guard divisions west of the Iraqi capital, Baghdad. Mr. Cohen suggested the timing of this bombing could be purely coincidental.

The Pentagon announced that it had heightened the state of alert for American forces around the world, including American bases, while the State Department reiterated a worldwide advisory warning Americans living or traveling

overseas to be watchful of potential terrorist attacks.

The crew of the Cole was also left on high alert because of the events that occurred. While the visit was scheduled to be brief, Naval officials had notified the government of Yemen several days in advance.

While security personnel were on deck at the time, a Pentagon official said the crew had no warning before the explosion, which had such force that badly damaged the engine room in the middle of the ship, an adjoining mess, living quarters and severely buckled the metal on the side of the ship. Most of those killed were in those or adjacent areas.

Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright said she had spoken with the president of Yemen, Ali Abdullah Saleh, who had offered to help with the treatment of those injured and with the investigation.

At the Cole's home port in Norfolk, the Navy set up a center for family members to gather as grim news of deaths and injuries came in.

"In the wake of this tragedy," he continued. "I want to be very clear about one point. We will continue to protect our national interests around the world, in the Middle East and elsewhere."

No one should doubt our resolve to remain a force for peace and for stability, and no one should assume that they can force us to retreat. No one should assume they can attack us with impunity."

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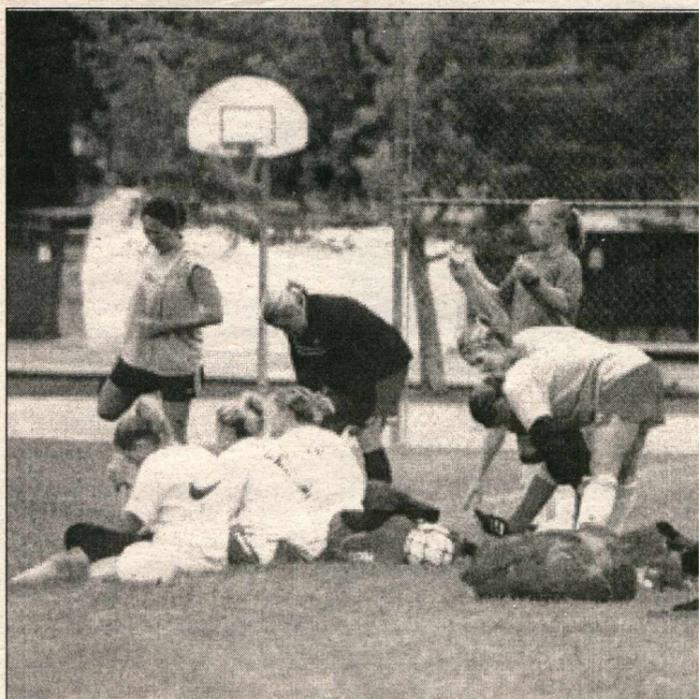
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Women soccer team visits Hawaii, Men's team stays home

By Matt Guthrie
Sports Writer

Last week was a productive one for the women's soccer team as they went 1-2 and even got a trip to Hawaii out of the deal.

After spending a relaxing Friday on the beach, the girls lost a tough game to Hawaii Pacific last Saturday. The game remained tied at zeroes throughout the first half until Kolea Andreas-Feeney put the Sea Warriors on the board in the 50th minute of play.

Her goal was a point blank shot which NNU keeper, Shemia Fagan, could not get a hand on. Fagan finished the game with eight saves while the Hawaii Pacific goalie managed to snag all four of the Crusader's shots.

Jill Fujimoto put the nail in NNU's coffin when she added the second goal, off of an assist from Hanna Olofsson, with about 20 minutes left to play.

The two teams met up again on Monday with the Warriors again getting the best of our girls. Thing looked good for the 'Saders when Emily Schrepple gave them an early lead in the 23rd minute with Melanie Hays assisting on the goal.

The lead did not last for long though, as Amanda Rodrigues netted two goals in the span of two minutes, and Hawaii Pacific never looked back. Jannicke Snildal also found the net twice while Liane Watanabe assisted on four goals to lead the Sea Warriors (10-5-0) to victory.

The girls came back looking to redeem themselves against Southern Oregon University and Carroll College at home.

A cancellation of the SOU game; however, allowed NNU to get only one win as they shut out Carroll on Saturday.

Mindy Gibbens scored the eventual game-winning goal in the

29th minute as Jaime Swanson had the first of her two assists. Swanson later teamed up with Denise Thuline who made it 2-0 early in the second half. Aubrey Metzger also assisted on the goal before scoring one of her own to put the game away.

Shemia Fagan and Shauna Voss combined for ten saves to give the Crusaders their third shutout of the season. Carroll College goalie, Eleanor Dougherty, had five saves as Carroll outshot NNU 10-8.

NNU improved their record to 3-9-2 while Carroll dropped to 6-6 on the year.

The next game for the 'Saders is not until the 21st as they take on Western Washington in Bellingham.

On the other hand, the guys team has not fared so well in their past few games.

On Saturday, October 7, NNU was handed a disappointing loss in overtime to former conference member Western Baptist University. Brian McGregor scored two goals, his second one in overtime, to give Western the win.

Justin Metzger had a two-goal effort to lead the Crusaders. Both of his goals tied the game, the last one with only two minutes left in regulation, sent the game into OT.

Longtime NNU rival, Albertson's College, gave the guys their next loss. Chris Brazil's shot deflected off of Jake Proffitt and past O'Connor to give the Coyotes the only goal that they would need in their 5-0 win.

On Saturday the 14th, NNU suffered a 13-1 defeat to Seattle Pacific University in Seattle. Four different Falcons scored two or more goals in their 21 shot attack.

Tim Abbott scored the lone goal for NNU as the assist came from Jeff Glasenapp. SPU improved to 8-4-1 while the Crusaders dropped to 1-13-1 on the season.

THAT'S THE WAY! ~ (clockwise bottom right) Northwest Nazarene University Women's Soccer team warms up with couple of laps and stretches. (top) Senior Beth Nixon sets up for a pass. (Photo by Haniel Massoud).

Go Figure

- 4 The number of good meals I have had at "the Rot" this term. I rediscovered Captain Crunch Berries, man they are good. In fact, they are better than most mainline meals. hat means I have now paid the low low price of \$508.03 per good meal this semester. Man that is good food at a low price.
- 7 Consecutive losses the Yankees ride into the postseason with.
- 7 Runs the Braves gave up with two outs to the Rockies, ending the hope for home-field advantage in the first round of the playoffs.
- 11 More wins the Yankees need before winning their third consecutive World Series title.
- 19 Inch television I bought from WalMart for the low price of \$150.
- 28-19 The score that the hapless New England Patriots beat the team you love to hate the Denver Broncos for their first win.
- 87-74 The New York Yankees record.
- 290 All-purpose yards that Brian Mitchell gobbled up for the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday. He rushed twice for 105 yards and a touchdown, caught three passes for 35 yards, and had six returns for 150 yards and a touchdown.

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Intramural football deals out weekend fun

By Craig Craker
Sports Writer

This past weekend was just another of the many great weekends of football on this campus. There were quite a few close games including an old-fashioned overtime game. Two games featured slaughterings while the other two were barnburners.

In the first game of the day Team Ferris defeated Boris Incorporated 26-25 due to laziness, basically I was not waking up at 10 on a Saturday morning to watch flag football, I have no statistics from this game but apparently it went down to the wire.

The second game of the day featured the Has Beens against Da Punks, the Has Beens despite missing both Dave Oliver and LaMark Judkins rolled to the 35-0 spanking of Da Punks. Tom Burrue caught the spot pass from Rob Russell for the 40-yard touchdown reception.

Russell then hit Ryan Brown from 30-yards out for the 14-0 lead. Following some stellar defensive play by the Has Beens especially Burrue and Poe. Once the Has Beens got the ball back the offense was on fire again as Matt Freeby rumbled up the middle 50-yards for the touchdown to make it 21-0.

Russell then hit Ryan Hammer from 40-yards out for a 28-0 lead and the rout was on. Not just any rout but one of the biggest routs of the season. Russell finished the scoring as he hit Ryan Warwick



YOUR MINE! ~ Intramural football teams battle it out to determine this years champion. Games on Saturdays starting at ten. (Photo by Handlebar).

from 10-yards out for the 35-0 lead.

Russell played a phenomenal game as he spread out four touchdown passes to four different receivers. Russell clearly had his best game of the season as he threw for over 200 yards and the four touchdown passes.

The third game of the day was the best as the Bad News Carebears took on Team 8. Jaden Perry hooked up with James Robinson

from 40-yards out to get things started and stake the Carebears to an early 6-0 lead.

Joel Gunstream then decided to use his decisive advantage of having monstrous receivers as he hit Chris Jensen over the middle for the score from 30-yards to tie the game at 6-6. The defenses then stepped it up from there as neither team allowed another score and the game ended tied at 6-6.

The two teams then went into

overtime, which is five minutes and whoever is ahead after that wins. I personally think we should do it NCAA stylee which would be pretty tight to watch, though it rarely happens since that was only the second overtime I have seen in the three years I have been reporting on it.

Anyways back to the game, Tyler Moyer started things off by running five yards up the middle for the score and the 12-6 lead.

Perry then hit Mike Dickerson for the all important extra point and the 13-6 lead. With time running down a falling down-about to be sacked-Gunstream fired to the endzone where T.J. Brown climbed the ladder for a great catch to pull the Team 8 within 13-12.

Then Coach Gunstream decided to risk everything and go for two points and the win. Gunstream's pass was incomplete over the middle and the Carebears escape with the victory.

The final game of the day featured the Chicago Bears against the Freshman No Nads. Despite the fact that the No Nads had some 30 players on their team, they still stood no chance against the Bears.

The Bears looked like a team playing on a mission, almost as though they were trying to do what the Mariners couldn't and that was win a game at home. Dan Marchant strolled through the No Nad defense on the quarterback sneak, looking like a Clemen's fastball to ARod, as the Bears took a 6-0 lead.

Marchant then hit Phil Polish for the extra-point and the 7-0 lead. Following a lot of running around with no apparent action, Jesse Franklin rumbled 6-yards up the middle for the game's final touchdown and the 13-0 lead. Polish then hit Curt Pentecost for the extra-point and the 14-0 game finale. Bears remain undefeated.

Be sure to come out next week and watch the teams get it on as the season continues it all starts at 10:00 am.

Softball Journal Part IV

By Meghan Shaw
Sports Writer

The last two weekends have brought six more games for the softball team. We have faced a challenge at every corner we have turned.

Two weekends ago presented a schedule that challenged each player mentally as well as physically. This year, because we are a club team, our budget is very small.

The tournament was in Ogden, Utah. The team climbed into the van to make the long drive at two o'clock in the morning so that we could arrive for our 9 o'clock game.

You may be able to imagine what a van full of girls is like, so I will just say that sleep was not something that was easy to come by. We pulled up to the field at 7:30 with blurry eyes, and little energy. We played four games over the course of the day.

The first two games may have shown our weariness but the second two exhibited the potential that we know we have. The third game did not produce our long awaited first win, but it did produce a tie.

The 9-9 decision gave us the confidence to pull it together for one more game, even when our bodies just wanted to lay down and sleep. Much like the third game, the fourth game displayed quality softball. We hit the ball well, fielded the ball well, and hung right with the other team.

It was incredible to see the team come alive. You could see our confidence rise. As we climbed back into the van tired, bruised, and hungry we were also happy and satisfied. Through all the obstacles we had come to play, and play we did.

This past weekend our scheduled tournament was canceled on account of rain, so we turned to our nearby neighbors, Treasure Valley. Saturday we found ourselves in Ontario for a double header.

We were battling injuries, only having eight players, and a hoard of pesky bugs that were everywhere. Somehow, we still managed to have a good time.

Each game that we play we are growing better as a team and as individuals. We have the confidence to expect excellence out of ourselves whether we win or lose.

Volleball team experiences tough games, flight delays

By Liz Archung
Sports Writer

The women's volleyball team left last Thursday morning for Billings, Montana to compete against the MSB Yellowjackets.

Silver City, New Mexico was their next point of travel to play Western New Mexico University. The team played these two matches, but unfortunately did not come out on top.

After a hectic traveling weekend of missed flights, long drives and no sleep, the Crusaders came back defeated in two five game losses.

Montana State, Billings proved tough competition for NNU. After rallying from an eight-point deficit in the fifth game, MSB finally claimed the Pacific West Conference volleyball victory.

The final game scores were 9-15, 15-8, 15-17, 15-10, and 16-14. The games were all very close and unfortunately contributed to ending the Crusader's four-match winning streak.

Darlene Brasch commented on the MSB match by stating,

"It's tough to come all the way back and lose on a bad call."

When NNU was trailing 13-6, Rachel Roberts served the Crusaders to a 14-13 advantage but unfortunately MSB pulled ahead for the win.

Among the other major contributors to the games were Michelle Phillips with 18 kills. Phillips led NNU and MSB in kills for the October 12th match.

"We missed our flight to Salt Lake so we had to drive to Wyoming. Finally, we caught a flight to Salt Lake City, waited four hours, got two free meals, flew to Pheonix, and eventually ended up in Silver City, New Mexico,"

~ Jaime Butler-Damson

Mindy Swanson led both teams with 41 assists. MSB had 58 total assists with Mandi Taylor performing 28 and Krissy Janey with 27. Sarah Menard had 2 aces.

Lindsay Glaze was the leader of digs with 22. Menard had 21. After the MSB match, the ladies set out for Western New Mexico University. "We missed our flight to Salt Lake so we had to drive to Wyoming. Finally, we caught a flight to Salt Lake City, waited four hours, got two free meals, flew to Pheonix, and eventually ended up in Silver City, New Mexico," comments Jaime Butler-Damson. The girls went through a lot of chaos to make it to New Mexico but ended up playing five games that ended in another loss. With close scores of 15-1, 8-15, 8-15, 15-11, and 15-11, NNU left New Mexico with a standing of 8-4 in the Pacific West Conference. Hellberg led the team with 13 kills and Michelle Phillips had 10. NNU had a .122 attack percentage performing 32 kills on 148

State your case by using intelligent arguments

By Brent Earwicker
Opinions Writer

The discussion started with a general analysis and comparison of the two presidential candidates. One friend began to describe the two political parties in very general terms. "The Republicans always take tax money and give to the rich," he said, "The Democrats are always in support of giving to the poor."

These words were very strong and heartfelt and stemmed out of the friend's desire to make his voice heard. Every issue, from the validity of the Bible to the methods of scrubbing with steel wool is hotly debated between people with strong opinions. These opinions are foundational to the lives of humans because what a person thinks dictates what he/she will do, and what a person does determines who he/she will become.

Too many times, people make general statements. (How's that for a good one?) The world is full of propaganda proclaiming the position of men on the issues of the hour. In our day, this Scripture is fulfilled, which states, "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables" (2 Timothy 3:3-4).

In this era, Christians are especially susceptible to falling into the trap of rationalizing the things of God. For example, what feels like a good common sense solution

to the issue of assisted suicide, death penalty, or even the story of the flood? Differing methods of answer-finding will reveal solutions to issues such as these.

To systematically hunt through physical evidence and attempt to

"Since I have never had an abortion, since I am not gay, since I am not God, I have no idea what to say to these arguments. I therefore have no right to sound forth my argument as thou it is undeniably truth."

find some sensible conclusion would be the way of man, but God calls us to look even deeper. God says, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways...as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55:8-9) Christians must see the world through the eyes of faith, not the eyes of the central nervous system.

One can make an intelligent sounding argument in favor of the elimination of nuclear warheads, when in fact all he or she knows is that a few decades ago, America bombed Japan and killed some innocent people in some towns. If this person makes a good argument with a bold speech and persuasive words, he may even sway others to his opinion that is based neither on facts, nor on knowledge of the subject described. Statements shouldn't be made about things one doesn't really know about.

Over the past few weeks, homosexuality has been the hot topic of debate within the realm of

the newspaper, classrooms and apparently dorm rooms. Also, the infallibility of the Bible, the literal interpretation of the Word of God, has been questioned with the theory of the flood. And now elections are almost upon the nation. All well-meaning students have their own perspectives on these topics and want to get their two bits in and let their ideas be known.

I have an aunt who had multiple abortions in past years. From hearing her testimony, I am convinced that anyone in support of abortion would change his or her view after talking to my aunt. He or she would most likely not see a mother choosing to blot out a blob of tissue, but would rather view the horrible effects that such a procedure has on the "chooser": guilt, sorrow, regret, depression, and the list goes on and on. My aunt has first-hand knowledge of the issue and has more right to an opinion on the topic than anyone.

Now since I have never had an abortion, since I am not gay, since I am not God, I have no idea what to say to these arguments. I therefore have no right to sound forth my argument as though it is undeniably truth. Not until I have first-hand experience, or am in close contact with someone who has, can I make an accurate argument or statement of belief.

We must talk to people before we talk about them or their situation. Christians must also learn to consult the Word of God before being swayed by the thoughts of man, whether on the political issues of the

day, or the spiritual or moral points of pondering. Opinions should be founded and based on the Truth of the Bible, not the local newspaper, periodical, latest fiction novel, or the human brain. If ideas and belief systems are not coming from a Biblical standpoint, then they are in error and need to be thought through again.

If you need or want to make a statement about homosexuality, you must base yourself on the Word of God, (just one or two verses will not do) then go talk to a bunch of homosexuals and see how their lives match up with what you have meditated on.

If your topic of study is abortion, soak in the Word and then investigate the methods and the hidden motives behind the process, talk to mothers who have gone through it, then make your call.

Don't just vote for the candidate

because your parents or your peers are, but figure out the responsibilities of a Christian citizen: Pray, be informed, elect Godly leaders, vote, etc. Before spreading your doctrine, saturate your mind on the Holy Bible (study the Word more than man's words about the Word), then go straight to the Author and see what He says about what He wrote.

It is so important to take a stand for what we believe in and to let our voices be heard. We must make every effort to know the real story and know the truth.

This article is not an attempt to undermine the entire purpose of an "Opinion" section of the newspaper, but has sought to enhance the section, to bring it to a new level of discussion. Being informed before declaring an opinion might be just the thing that eliminates the beating of topics week after week.

Culture Shock

"Wisdom will never let us stand with any man on unfriendly footing. We refuse sympathy and intimacy with people, as if we waited for some better sympathy or intimacy to come. But whence and when: Tomorrow will be like today. Life wastes itself while we are preparing to live."

-Unknown

"I have come to the conclusion that one useless man is a disgrace, that two become a law firm, and that three or more become a congress."

-John Adams from 1776

"And if I asked you about love, I'd get a sonnet, but you've never looked at a woman and been truly vulnerable. Known that someone can kill you with a look. That someone can rescue you from your grief. That God had put an angel on earth just for you. And you wouldn't know how it felt to be her angel."

-Good Will Hunting

Letting go of life's problems

By Alisson Cummins
Opinions Writer

Faith is one of those words that can confuse any person, including a full-blown theologian. Many people ponder what the word faith and/or trust really means. I've questioned faith so many times, and sometimes I even wonder if I hurt God because I don't totally believe what he is really telling me.

For the longest time, I was being tested with faith, trust, and most of all understanding. I was going through a lot and kept having new burdens throw at me. I don't like the word burden, but during many times that is the title I put on my problems.

Every night I would beg God to give me peace and understanding on how to fix my troubles. Every Sunday and Wednesday I would carry my burdens to the altar and plead with God to take them away. But for some reason God just wouldn't take away the problems and he kept adding more, or so I thought.

Finally a friend brought to my attention that I wasn't really giving my problems to God. I was asking him to take them away but I wasn't willing to give them to God. She told me that God cannot take them and bless me unless I hand my problems to him.

I thought I was doing that, so I asked him, wasn't He the one who was suppose to take them, so I wouldn't ever have to worry about

them? WRONG! I realized that unless I give me problems to God, he will not take them. I had to be willing to let him be totally in charge, if not then I was trying to run my own life.

So, I went to the altar one more time, but this time I gave everything to God, even the dirty little details and people I didn't want to give away. What do you know, God took everything I gave him and he turned it around and blessed me.

I took some time off of helping people with all their problems and used that time to consider what God was doing in my life. I thought about how God was blessing me. Every time I had a problem I would give it to God and he would fix it.

After I pondered this for awhile I realized I had learned an important lesson in trust. I also learned what patience really was. I had to wait for God to give me an answer and I

had to learn to be patient for God to work in my life.

I not only concerned myself with that, but I also asked God for faith, I was now able to trust him, therefore I have a new faith. I knew God was with me at all times and I wasn't afraid of letting him guide my life. From that point on... to this point in time, my faith, patience, and trust grows everyday in God.

I still struggle, what person doesn't, but I now know I have the things I lacked, and so now when something is troubling me I give it to God, and wait for him to bless me with whatever he has in store for me.

I hope that someday every person learns this lesson. Also, I hope and pray that God blesses every one of you with faith, patience, and trust. Just remember to trust God, but don't forget to lock your car.

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Scriptures are infallible authority in entirety

In his book *The Great Evangelical Disaster*, the late famous Christian Scholar Francis Schaffer foretold the issue that would cause a "Great Divide" among believers. The rift would not come from matters involving what style of music to play on Sunday morning, or even an epidemic of church gossip, but rather about whether we could trust the Word of God as the inerrant, final authority. Such an issue recently surfaced in a Sunday school class while out of state on a weekend service project with the NNU band.

The teacher posed the following questions to the class. "Should we take the Holy Bible as the authoritative guidebook for making all of life's decisions? Is the Holy Bible scientifically credible?"

Following varied responses ranging from the enlightenment to Biblical minimalism, I offered the following scripture from II Timothy 3:16-17, "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for

every good work."

The point I went on to make was that because all scripture is God-breathed, it is by definition flawless and without error, for God does not make mistakes in His revelation. Scripture is inerrant because it all comes from God, and if you want to dig into the scientific credibility of The Holy Bible, look at archaeology. It has only confirmed and supported the events portrayed in Biblical history and never gone against them!

Unlike other religions, Biblical Christianity is rooted in real history. From the formation of Adam out of the dust by the very hand of God to Christ's death on the cross for our sins and His resurrection from the dead, we serve a God who has repeatedly involved Himself in human history. He loves and desires personal fellowship with each of us.

We must not compartmentalize the authority of His Word to only the realm of faith and salvation.

There is a faith-history connection that we simply cannot ignore. If we claim that The Holy Bible is only true for faith and not for history, then we unwittingly claim that the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is not a historical fact. The result is laid out by the apostle

"Because all scripture is God-breathed, it is by definition flawless and without error, for God does not make mistakes in His revelation. We must not compartmentalize the authority of His Word to only the realm of faith and salvation. There is a faith-history connection that we simply cannot ignore."

Paul who warned, "And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins." (I Corinthians 15:17) If the Holy Bible isn't historically authoritative, then the fall of mankind through the sin of Adam and Eve found in Genesis is not an actual historical event. Why in the world then are we in

need of a Savior? If the fall didn't happen in real history then we are not sinful, fallen creatures in need of Christ's redemption on the cross!

The significance of all this is that the God we serve does not have His authority come to a screeching halt at the boundary markers of faith and salvation. Rather, He is the final authority in all matters upon which He speaks.

God does not face a stop sign when the archaeologists head out to the excavation dig. God doesn't come up against red tape while the gurus of chemistry toil over their lab tables. God is not stranded on one side of the Grand Canyon while historians write their scholarly books on the other. God does not run up against a brick wall when astute scientists hypothesize about the laws that govern the universe!

The authority of God's Word does not have to slam on its brakes when approaching the entrance gate to any field of study! We serve the

One and only true God, the God of faith, truth, salvation, science, knowledge, and history. He is the God of all of these things. His Word is the infallible, trustworthy authority from Genesis to Revelation.

The reason I believe the Lord Jesus Christ rose from the dead is because God's Word tells me so. The reason I believe I'm forgiven only by the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ is because God's Word tells me so. The reason I believe in the virgin birth is because God's Word tells me so. The reason I believe God took six days to create is because God's Word tells me so. The reason I believe anything about the Christian faith is because God's Word tells me so.

The Holy Bible is to be the basis of our thinking in every area upon which it touches and not to be regarded as simply a collection of manuscripts that we conveniently label as "fable," or "myth" every time they become controversial. May we all stand firm on the authority of God's Holy Word and always "Let God be true, and every man a liar." - Romans 3:4

Great food, atmosphere with a decent price tag

Recently, a group of friends and I went to Boise with the plan of going to the Olive Garden for a nice Italian dinner. One in the group was an employee, so we were all looking forward to the discount she could get.

When we got there, though, there were people lining the sidewalks outside of the building. Sure enough, it was going to be at least an hour before we would be seated. We decided to ditch it and go somewhere else. Right across the parking lot, next to the main

entrance to the mall was Old Chicago. I had heard some good things about the place, so we decided to check it out.

The restaurant has a nice atmosphere. It has the eclectic look with old posters and other stuff on the walls. It mainly has a baseball

theme, with televisions hanging from the ceiling showcasing various games. We were seated within a few minutes and greeted by our waitress. She was very helpful in explaining various things on the menu, the sizes of the pizzas and so forth. She patiently waited as we made up our minds, changed them and made them up again.

The food they serve at Old Chicago is the type of Italian food you might expect at a pizzeria in Chicago. They have various kinds of Chicago-style pizza, calzones, pasta, and sandwiches. I ordered the "Meat Me" calzone. Now let me tell you, this was nothing at all like the calzones we are served at our beloved Marriott, the one's that are ninety percent bread. This thing was huge and stuffed with several

different kinds of meat and mozzarella. It was kind of like a pizza crust folded over with all the toppings inside. Marinara sauce was served with it for dipping.

Ryan Pike, who was with us, had the Pasta Alfredo. He said that it was some of the best pasta he had ever had at a restaurant. Cristi Gage went for the regular Cheeseburger, which turned out to be a little more than she bargained for.

I was impressed with the portions that everyone received. The average price for a meal without a beverage was about \$7.00 and all

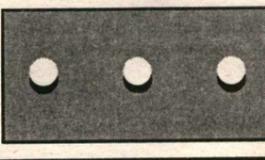
of us went away stuffed. Two of the people I was with had decided they wanted to just order one calzone and split it. Then, when the waitress came with our food, they had actually made two separate ones for them. Both were nearly as big as a regular sized one.

There are 42 Old Chicagos nationwide. They are run by the Rock Bottom Restaurants Company, which is based out of Louisville, CO. You should be aware that these restaurants do fall under the category of sports bar, so if that offends you, then you may want to go elsewhere.

The bar section of the restaurant, however, is well-separated from the dining room, so we were not bothered by it. They also do serve alcohol in the dining room, as do many pizza restaurants.

All of us were very pleased with the service we received, but even more with the food. It wasn't as elegant as the Olive Garden, but it was definitely just as good, and not near as pricey. All in all I'd say that Old Chicago is probably not the best place for a date, but if you're going there with a group, or just the guys, it's perfect. But that's my opinion.

Old Chicago
Boise Town Square
Mall, Boise, ID
Reviewed by
David Kadel



Crusader Reviews

OUR RATING SYSTEM

- OPEN UP A CAN...
- GOOD STUFF
- DEPENDS ON YOUR TASTE
- DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME
- ☹ MAY CAUSE BRAIN DAMAGE

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If you could steal anyone's hair, who would it be and why?



Allison Cummins Freshmen History Gig Harbor, WA

"The actress on Will & Grace. I don't know her name, but she has big, heavy curls."



Josh Fishbune Sophomore Political Sci. Leavenworth, WA

"Peter Esvelt because Mr. Clean is the coolest!"



Kara Lyons Junior Philosophy/Rel. Nampa, ID

"I would steal Tina Turner's hair because I could never achieve hair that large on my own, however much I may try."



David Coles Senior Elementary Ed. Nampa, ID

"Kevin Costner because I have always wanted a receding hairline and women find it irresistible."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Change for the worse

I have noticed that Marriott seems to have made a lot of changes to its appearance this year, but not much seems to have changed in the area of food.

One question: where did all the student workers go? I was under the impression that Marriott was the main source of employment for students on campus. This doesn't seem to be the case this year, though. There might be a total of seven or eight students working there that I have seen. Someone told me that three or four years ago, there were somewhere between forty and fifty student workers that started off the year. I guess the management was different back then or something.

Also, where did the student managers go? There were three of them last year and now there are none. Did these people wise up and find a better job, or did they just get tired of being treated like the scum that grows underneath the dish-washing machine?

What ever happened to Patty and Kathy? They were always so friendly when I would come in and would even make an effort to know many of the students' names. It was nice to know that there was someone on the other side of the Marriott door waiting to greet you with a smile and call you by name. Those two seemed to really care about the well being of the students.

One other thing: what happened to the idea of customer service? The other day I was looking for a piece of American cheese, so I asked the guy in the grill if I could get a piece. He told me that he didn't have any. I asked if there was any in the back and he told me no. No more than a few minutes later someone walked out of the grill with a piece of American cheese on a burger. What's up with that? How hard would it have been to give me a piece of cheese?

All I want is a place to eat some decent food (including American cheese) and see a smiling face or two. It scares me to eat at a place that I know my fellow students will not work at. Why does such a company continue to work for our school year after year, and why does the school continue to employ a company such as this?

A concerned eater of Marriott "food"

On last issue's top 10

Normally, I would be the last person in the world to write an opinion article, but I wanted to share the feelings I have recently had concerning some of the things that have occurred on this campus. What am I talking about, you may ask? I am writing of the things that have been done as a so-called joke!

I have never been so ashamed about being a Christian than I was while reading the "Top Ten" list this past week. I want to know when it became funny to ridicule our brothers in Christ. Ryan Dooley has not done one thing to deserve the slanderous remarks that so many have felt it was their duty to share. No one deserves to be treated like that. He is one of God's creations and so are you. Put yourself in his shoes, how would you feel about the people that were supposed to love and support you?

To those who feel it is their responsibility to disclose their thoughts to everyone on campus, what is going through your heads as you stand there and laugh at someone else's expense? Is it funny? Perhaps you have been thinking with your heads and not your hearts. What ever happened to the love and acceptance I felt on this campus when I first arrived?

Lately, all I have heard is people fighting back and forth about what they think is right. What about what God thinks? I pray that we would take a look at what is happening on our campus. Do you honestly believe that God likes what He has been seeing?

What has happened to our Christian campus? And, what are we going to do to change things? How can we effectively share God's love with non-Christians if we put conditions on the love we show one another?

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God; he who does not love does not know God, for God is love." (1 John 4:7-8)

Aimee Jordet

I would like to take a moment and express my shock and surprise at something that appeared in the last issue of the Crusader. I am referring not to the much talked about caption incident, but instead, the Top Ten list recently submitted and printed.

I am frankly appalled at two things. One being that the people who made this list would write something that so clearly mocks and attacks a specific individual.

I am of course referring to reason number two: "Hi, my name is Ryan Dooley. What are you doing tonight?" I was also shocked that those who helped write this willingly signed their names to it as if it were nothing! Personally, I thought higher of a few of the individuals that helped write this, but I'm left wondering now.

Secondly, I am dismayed that the article was actually printed out in the paper, when it was clear that something should have been done to prevent that. It should not have been allowed.

There are those of us who read it and laughed because we thought it was funny. There are those of us who didn't know what to think, and then there are those that are both shocked and angry after reading it. That could have been any one of our names written there in place of Ryan's! Would it have been as funny then?

Imagine the hurt and shock he had when reading that! But that wasn't thought of either while writing it or when it was allowed to be printed. Whether it was done in spite or because at the time it seemed funny is not the point at this time. The point is that the effect was still the same, and none of us can honestly say that if it had been our name, we would not have been hurt and even angry!

It was rude and uncalled for, quite frankly. I am aware that there will always be those who don't think before speaking or of their actions before doing, but the goal here is to build up and encourage one another. It is not to tear down and make fun of others.

A concerned student & friend



By David Kadel
Opinions Editor

I grew up in Nampa. I was born and raised right here and spent most of my childhood just a few blocks from this campus. I used to pass by then NNC every day on my way to school. My brothers and I often used to play in Kurtz Park before it turned into the home of the Brandt Center and the prayer chapel.

I never dreamed that I would one day be coming to school here. Things work themselves out in strange ways, though, and things you never thought would happen, many times end up being the best times of your life. I love this school. I fell in love with this school when I was a freshman, even though I was living off campus and didn't know a soul. I would not trade this experience for anything, ever.

But like I said, I am from Nampa, and I hear negative things, nearly on a daily basis that put down and ridicule my hometown. People are always complaining about the smell, how dry it is here, how bad the water tastes, or that there's nothing to do.

I'm amazed to hear people who have been here for three and four years still complaining about Nampa. Why do they still insist on explaining to everyone what they hate about this place.

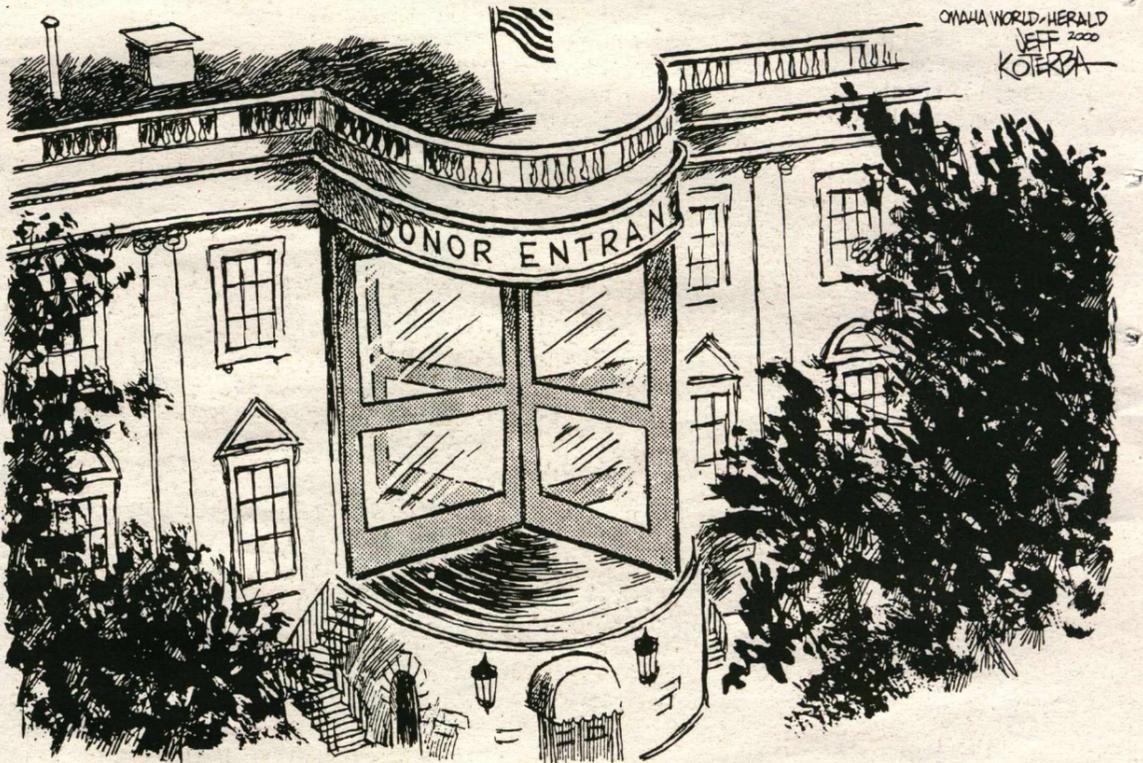
I love the weather here. I love that we have hot, dry summers where rain is truly refreshing rather than a constant monotony. The smell is a rather ridiculous thing to complain about, and I'm surprised that it is what is complained about most. I'm not denying that this area has a particular scent to it (though I would guess that half the smells people complain about come from Marriott). I just don't understand why people can't get over that.

As far as there being nothing to do here, are we really that materialistic that we can't think of things to do? I don't really think that is the case, because people are always finding things to do. There are so many people here to do things with that boredom is more of a choice than anything. Yet, when people do get bored, they often blame it on the fact that it's Nampa.

As children, we are expected to complain about things, but when we become more mature, we realize that some things just are and no matter how much we would like them to be different they never will be.

In Luke, it explains how worrying and being anxious doesn't accomplish anything. Well, complaining about things that can't be changed doesn't accomplish anything either. Making some snide comment about Nampa isn't going to make it more endurable.

If you are content to be going to this school, then be content with it's surroundings too. Frankly, I am sick of hearing people putting down my hometown. It is a place where I have many fond memories just like you probably have of yours. It's quite annoying to hear people ridicule my home day in and day out, and I am sure that other people feel the same way. The Bible tells us to be content with whatever state we are in; maybe it should have been more specific and said in whatever city we are in.



Top Ten Rejection Lines

10. I can't.
9. Can I think about it?
8. Oh, I'm fairly sure I'm busy.
7. I was hoping someone I liked would ask me.
6. Let's just be friends.
5. It's probably not God's will.
4. It probably won't work out. I'm becoming a nun.
3. It's not you, it's...well, it's not you entirely.
2. I can't seem to fit it into my schedule.
1. I probably could fit it into my schedule, but don't want to.

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