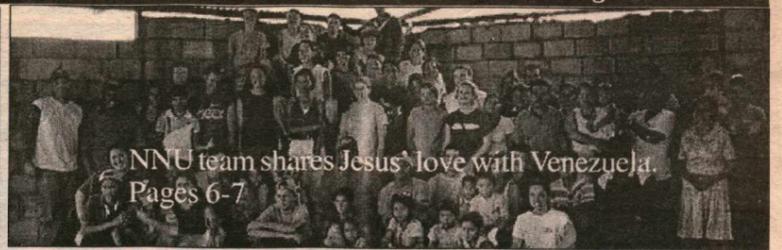


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Column One

I've been in a candle-making frenzy lately, which I blame entirely on my roommate. Before the break, Sarah gave me a packet of blue *Candle Magic* wax crystals and some wicks, with which I was to make a candle. Unfortunately, that candle ended in disaster, but it alerted me to the availability of *Candle Magic* supplies at our unceasingly incredible local WalMart Superstore.

My apartment kitchen has been transformed into Amy's Super Wax World as I have been experimenting with new fragrances, colors, styles and designs. My roommates come home groaning, saying encouraging things like, "Oh no! She's at it again," or "More wax? Don't you have enough already?"

I've always been fond of candles, possibly more so now than in the past. Perhaps this has resulted from the two-year suppression of my pyrotechnic urges in Ford and Morrison, when all fiery objects were strictly forbidden. However, in Olsen fire is permitted, assuming it's limited to a candle wick. I suppose this is due to the fact that upperclassmen are thought to be more responsible than younger students (a fact that I have seen little proof of).

Unless my current wave of candle creation ebbs pronto, I will soon have more candles poured than time to burn them all. I have already decided to use some as Valentine's gifts for friends, but the abundance of waxy fireballs got me thinking. What would the readers of *The Crusader* think of a classified section?

I've been approached several times this year about starting a buy/sell-type classified ad section. Until recently I was unsure of a need or interest, but I think that now may be the time to consider such a section. Students, like myself, might be interested in selling items they make, such as candles or have a desire to purchase something specific. The possibilities are vast for a local, student classified section.

Let me, or anyone on the staff, know what your ideas are on such a section in our paper. Is this something that you, the readers, want? Feel free to call the office with your opinion (467-8656) or write to Box 'C'. In the meantime, I have dozens of floating candles to choose from if anyone is interested!

Amy Oglevie
Editor-in-Chief

If it looks like a Duck...

Fanatic flies south for Fiesta Bowl

By Chad Frosland
Sports Editor

Incredible. No matter how hard I try to describe the experience of being at the Fiesta Bowl with my family, I will never convey to you the unbelievable fun that it was. On New Year's Eve, the University of Oregon hosted a pep rally in the Wells Fargo arena. Having never been to a bowl game, and being cursed with a sort of naivety, I expected a little rag-tag party with a few hundred fans yelling "Let's go Ducks!" Instead, as my parents, brother and I walked into the darkened arena fashionably late, we were greeted by the thunderous sound of nearly ten thousand Ducks fans roaring as a highlight video from this past season was shown on the big screen in the arena.

As the video ended and the team came running out of the star-shaped tunnel of green and yellow balloons, flames



Chad Frosland, pictured here with his family, before kickoff at the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Arizona. Frosland, an avid Duck fan, cheered on his team as they defeated the Colorado Buffaloes.

burst into the air, fireworks boomed and the Oregon Marching Band struck up the fight song. I was overcome by the fury of emotion and jumped, yelled and clapped as I fought back the tears spawned by the pride and excitement. But it was merely a glimpse of what was to come.

That evening, we attended the "Fiesta Bowl block party" with 100,000 other people on the

streets of downtown Tempe. It was still the day before the big game, but the air was heavy with tension and intensity as you walked down the street seeing so many people wearing clothing supporting either the Ducks or the Buffaloes.

It's interesting. I've always been kidded about the silliness of a duck as a mascot, but a tatonka is an odd creature to

have stirring one's pride as well. Actually, I was informed by my uncle that the only true buffalo are actually found in Africa and that the United States only has bison. So, the University of Colorado Buffaloes is either a misnomer, or they chose a foreign creature for which to identify their university. I'll just stick with the duck.

Anyhow, as we enjoyed the food and entertainment, we had to withstand the gloating of the Buffalo fans as they verbally exuded their overconfidence in their supposedly "hottest team in the nation." One Colorado fan was dancing in the street with a lady on stilts dressed like Uncle Sam. A TV camera focused in on the duo and the fan began yelling at the camera "The Ducks stink, the Ducks stink" (actually it was a different 's' word that actually rhymes with duck). I couldn't handle the public defamation and slander of the glorious

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Security warns students to slow down

By Amy Oglevie
Editor-in-Chief

Doubtless, the Northwest Nazarene University community has noticed the new speed signs around the campus, seemingly on every stop sign. Did the Security Department suddenly decide to impose a 15 mile per hour speed limit on the campus over the Christmas break?

Head of Security, Darrel Stewart, assures that this is not the case. The current speed restrictions have been in place since Feb. 3, 1999, though not well posted. Fifteen new signs, amounting to over \$600, were purchased last semester and installed over the winter break.

"So far, most of the response has been positive," commented Officer Stewart. "We've been letting people get used to the idea; we've given out a lot of warnings, asking people to slow down."

This year has seen an increase of enforcement, as Security has recently employed the use of new equipment, including a radar gun that was purchased last semester.

The new speed signs serve as a reminder of the need to drive more cautiously on campus. While most student drivers previously knew of the speed limit, few were slowing to the required 15 miles per hour (a certain Editor-in-Chief was stopped twice last term alone). During a test period last term, 183 vehicles



Amy Oglevie

Speed signs like this one, placed outside of Wiley Learning Center, were installed all around campus over the holiday break. NNU Security hopes that they will caution drivers to slow down.

were checked for speed on campus. 151 of those clocked sped between 16-40 miles-per-hour, well over the standardized speed limit.

While some students argue that modern cars are not capable of functioning that slow, Security assures drivers that all

cars can and will safely proceed at 15 miles per hour. The current limit was established through a Safety Committee in Feb. 1999. That committee was formed in conjunction with Student Development and members of Environ

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Caribbean sun, coffee and keeping the faith

By Gene Schandorff
Campus Chaplain

Last Monday, I woke up to 80 degrees and the sound of waves breaking on the shore of a Caribbean island. I was pretty sure that I heard God calling me to live right there for the rest of my life, or at least for the rest of the winter. A few hours later, we were on the ground in the "frozen north." And here I am, back in the office looking for a place to put my overcoat and gloves.

Spending the first two weeks of January in a tropical country taught me four things about coffee and God's original plan for the universe.

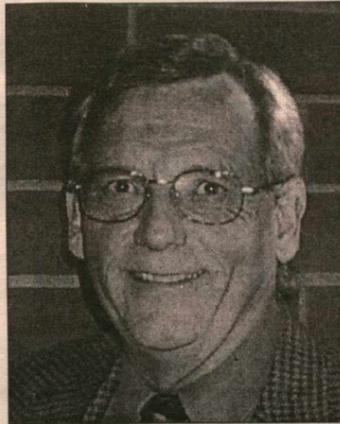
1. Winter is bad. It was not a part of God's original design. It is a direct result of the "fall"

of humankind. There is absolutely no way God would have let it get this cold if we were still naked.

2. Jet travel in the winter is bad. Think about it. God designed the seasons to change slowly. The slide from the hot days of summer to the cold days of winter passes through the mild days of fall and then back through the slowly warming days of spring. It's just not right to go from 92 degrees to 29 degrees on the same day. If God had intended us to fly from one part of the word to another on the same day, we'd have been born with tickets!

3. It's always Summer for intestinal parasites. (Don't ask how I know this.)

4. It's more fun to drink re-



Gene Schandorff
Campus Chaplain

ally good coffee when the temperature is 95 than it is to drink really bad coffee when it's in the low 30's.

Next, a thought on this year's Venezuela Mission trip: We had a great time. One of the highlights was traveling with, and getting to know, some really great students. We spent six nights hanging in hammocks in a mandarin orchard, we bathed in a stream, we ate whatever was killed for us and we managed to build most of

a new church building.

While all of that was going on, we had the opportunity to see God working in some amazing ways. The church in Venezuela is truly alive with the Joy of the Lord and a passion for the lost. "Worship" is the overflow of faithful lives who have come together to praise the Lord and encourage one another. You're reading this after the Venezuela team gives their report in chapel on Wednesday morning. If you would like to know more about the trip, just stop one of them and ask. You can tell who we are. We have a little bit better tan than most, and we're walking around campus wearing every piece of clothing we own.

Finally, one more thought on "Learning the facts and keeping the faith."

"Learning a new fact cannot cause a person to lose their faith. If you learned something new and lost what you thought

was faith, it was never really faith at all."

Here are three things to keep in mind as we "live and learn" together at NNU.

1. It's time for us all to accept the fact that, no matter how much Bible we know and no matter how long we've been in the church, we just don't know everything there is to know about God.

2. It's time for us to accept the fact that some of the things we think we do know about God are probably wrong.

3. It's time for us to get on with the business of learning all we can in the confidence that we're not on the journey alone. Jesus made a promise that John recorded in John 14:25-27. Jesus kept his promise and calls us to live as though we believe it.

So, here's the Good Word for the Winter Semester. Don't be afraid to learn, to grow, to change and to climb higher than you've climbed before.

Blessings, Gene

Forty seniors nominated for Who's Who in America

Forty seniors from Northwest Nazarene University have been selected as nominees for Who's Who in America. Voting will take place on Wednesday, January 16. All juniors and seniors are eligible to vote. These are the students who have been nominated.

Sherry Borger
John Galloway
Jayme Harding
Kara Lyons
Jennifer Gerner
Brandon Hill
Andrea Zickefoose
Hollie Larson
Kristina Roth
Christina Tiel
Joe Chapman
Matthew Fraley
Sarah Hughes
Cami Koepke
Lane Chitwood
Sara Cunningham
Erin Hellberg
Laurissa Hurst
David Kadel
Eric Aeschliman

Don Belisle
Joel Boschma
Heather Esposito
Mike Garmire
Sara Keller
Jodie Keys
Matthew Kitchen
Brannon McDaniel
Christine Ross
Hilary Stueckle
Dawn Stuvland
Bradley Tibbs
Joshua Coopridner
Cara Heffner
Jennifer Hill
Janelle Stauffer
Stephanie Wirick-Tiner
Kristi Lund
Spring Fisk
Ryan Pike

Speed Signs:

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mental Services, Media Services and other departments, including Chemistry, Biology and Kinesiology.

Pedestrians feel that the new signs will make drivers more aware of the dangers of speeding.

"I appreciate the efforts to make walking students feel safer," commented Naomi Falby, a Senior Business major. "Security is taking great steps with regards to dealing with the amount of student drivers."

In addition to endangering others, driving over 15 miles-per-hour poses a risk for the driver. Fines and tickets may be distributed by the Security officers for violations and can be severe. Monetary fines up to \$25 can be awarded, along with partial or total loss of on-campus driving privileges.

While writing out fines is not the primary job of Security Officers, it is one they are willing to do if necessary. Fines are also applicable for driving on the lawns, parking in prohibited zones and other basic breaks in common-sense motorist conduct.

A complete list of finable offenses is posted on the Intranet at <http://interests.nnu.edu/security/violation.html>.

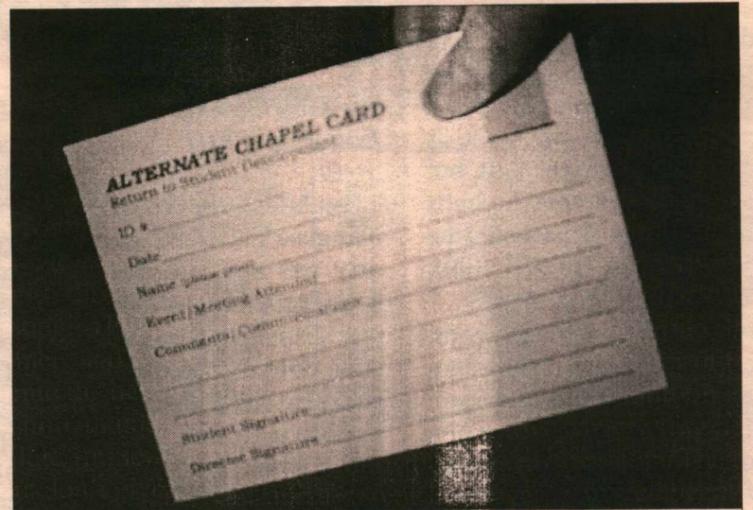
Only Northwest Nazarene University Officers can write tickets on campus, though the Nampa Police may be allowed to do so if Security deems it necessary. Also, only a uniformed Security Officer

can write a ticket. As of last year, all dorm parking issues are handled by the appropriate Residential Director, not the Security team.

The NNU Security team is comprised of individuals who want to keep the campus community safe. Security has

two full-time officers, along with seven other well trained part-time officers.

"Our main goal is compliance," stated Officer Stewart. "We want people to slow down. We're not doing this to make money or to create stress."



Shawna McArthur

Alternative chapel cards are handed out to chapel late-comers.

Thousands of dollars collected for chapel fines

By Sarah Emerson
Campus Writer

Walking into chapel and grabbing a chapel card has become routine for most Northwest Nazarene University students. But from the amount of chapel fines paid this semester, it would seem some people did not get into the routine as well as others.

Last semester, chapel fines, once again, totaled in the thousands. Chaplain Gene Schandorff stated that this has been the case for at least

the past ten years. NNU has a policy that states that an enrolled full time student must attend at least thirty-two chapel services throughout the semester. If this requirement is not met, there is a ten dollar fine issued for each chapel that was missed. This means that if a student attends only thirty chapels, he or she is fined twenty dollars.

The money from chapel fines will be added to the university's general fund along with tuition payments and other types of fines.

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Two students injured in tragic accidents

By Sarah Emerson
Campus Writer

As many of you have already heard, two students from Northwest Nazarene University were involved in serious car accidents over this past Christmas break. Dawn Stuvland and Mariah Moncecchi are both suffering from injuries from these accidents.

Stuvland is currently recovering from two broken arms and a broken leg at Saint

Alphonsus Hospital in Boise. According to Chaplain Gene Schandorff, Stuvland will be in rehabilitation for the next two weeks.

Moncecchi, along with her sister Johanna, brother Gabe and cousin Trevor were also in a serious accident. According to Kevin Seward, the four were driving near Laramie, Wyoming on their way to a local ski resort where Johanna works. Trevor was in the driver's seat when their Pathfinder hit a patch of black ice.

The SUV rolled over three times. At some point while rolling, the passenger-side door came off. Mariah's sister, Johanna, was in the pas-

Dawn Stuvland and Mariah Moncecchi are both suffering from injuries from these accidents.

senger seat. She sustained several serious injuries, including a broken neck, a crushed fourth vertebra and the inability to

breath on her own. Johanna is currently in serious condition at a hospital in Laramie. Seward, who is in contact with the Moncecchi family, says that Johanna has some movement in her arms but still cannot move her legs.

Following the accident, doctors performed surgery on Johanna because of an infection and several fluid pockets that had formed. After the surgery, Johanna was able to breath on her own and was taken off life-support. The in-

fection, however, returned, and she was placed back on life-support once again. Doctors will have to wait to do another surgery because of severe swelling.

None of the other passengers were seriously injured. Mariah and Johanna's brother, however, did sustain fractured wrists. Mariah was scheduled to go on a trip to Egypt this month. Her trip has been postponed for a month or two, depending on recovery.

Counseling Department goes online

By Shawn Jensen
Campus Counselor

Are you interested in gathering information regarding assertiveness, self-esteem, loneliness, anger, depression, eating disorders, grief, personal safety and education assistance? You can do all of this and more by simply going to www.nnu.edu. From there, go to student resources then student development, counseling, links and then click on [HERE](#).

The Counseling Department has done some of the research for you. The links that are listed will be reviewed and updated and others will be added or deleted as necessary.

The Counseling Department would like your feedback on this. Are there any



Shawn Jensen
Campus Counselor

subjects that you as students think should be added? Do you have any suggestions? Please click on the links and take a look, and then let us know what you think. We want, and look forward to, your response.

If you have any questions or comments, you can contact any of these university counselors at these addresses: jmrittmueller@nnu.edu, skjensen@nnu.edu, and janeerman@nnu.edu.

Peer Counselors assist students with stress relief

By Shawn Jensen
Campus Counselor

On Monday, November 26 beginning at 5:30 pm, the students of Northwest Nazarene University were introduced to a new form of stress relief. This new and exciting method involved throwing pies. Many student leaders and campus

staff joined together in this endeavor to raise money and give students a chance to have a little fun.

Among those present to assist the students with releasing their tension by getting a pie thrown at them were Karen Pearson, Jonathon Colburn, Gene Schandorff, Shemia Fagan, Tim Milburne, Carol

Rotz, Charis King, John Galloway, Joanne Rittmueller, Jason Grenn and Kelli Kronberger. Although things got pretty messy, everyone seemed to have a great time regardless of their position behind or in front of the pies.

Kevin Seward served as the auctioneer selling pies for \$10, \$5

and \$1, depending on the size ordered.

Seventy-four dollars were raised and will be used to help fund the peer counseling program.

The peer counselors thought it was a successful evening and plan to assist the students with stress relief again next year.

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Are relationships sometimes confusing to you?

(mom, dad, siblings, friends, girlfriend, boyfriend, roommate, etc...)

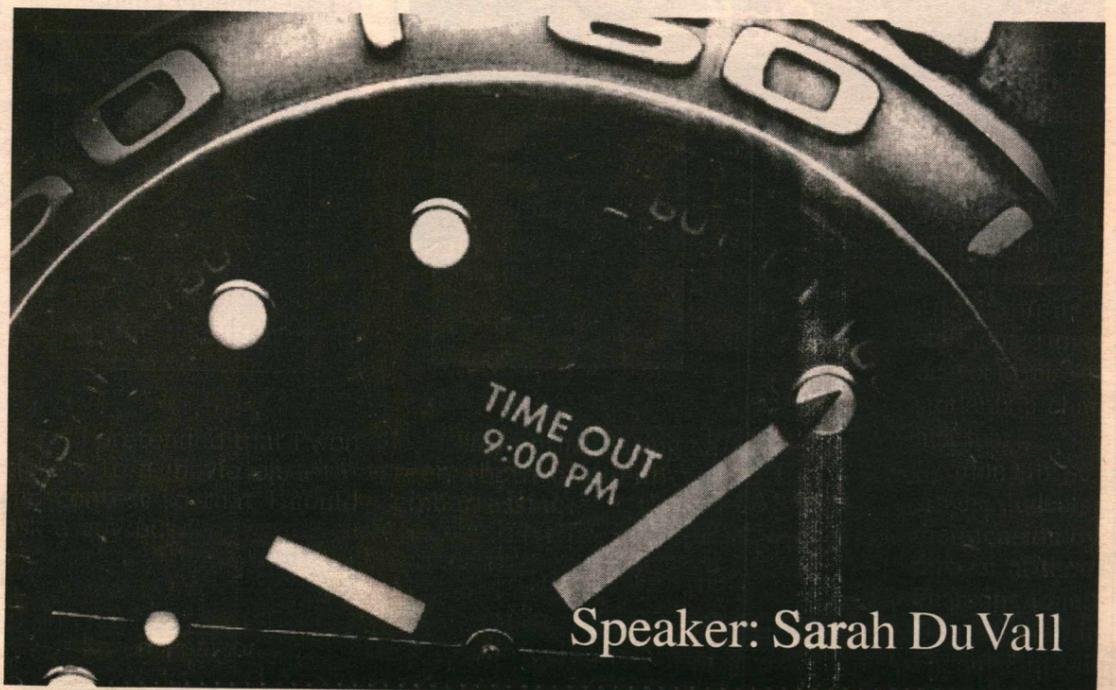
***Do you wish you understood others better?**

***Would you like to hear how others are dealing with their relationships?**

***Do you want to talk to others who have these same concerns?**

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Speaker: Sarah DuVall

Harding and Heim to present senior voice recital January 21

By Eric Aeschliman
Guest Writer

Northwest Nazarene University will present Jayme Harding and Shawna Heim in a senior voice recital on Monday, January 21st.

They will present works by Fauré, Strauss, Handel, Foster, Vaughan Williams, Viardot and more. The recital will include three duets. Lindsay Glaze will be the accompanist for the evening.

Heim is a Music Education major from Weiser, Idaho, and Harding is majoring in Music Education and Applied Piano. She is from Ronan, Montana. They are both students of Dr. Judy Marlett.



Jayme Harding and Shawna Heim, above, will sing in recital.

The public is welcome and admission is free. The recital begins promptly at 8 pm in the Administration Building on the Northwest Nazarene University campus.

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Chad Frosland contributes to the pep band's efforts. The pep band plays at most Crusader men's games.

Crusader pep band generates enthusiasm

By Mackay Dufour
Opinions/Entertainment
Editor

If you have attended any of the Crusader Men's Basketball games, chances are you may have noticed a little something extra. Something that many people do not really pay much attention to, or at least take for granted. But the games would be a whole lot different without it.

I am referring to the Crusader Pep Band. The band plays at most of the men's home games. They are usually set up directly behind the opposing team's bench.

Like the Northwest Nazarene University Jazz Big Band, the Pep Band is under the direction of Dr. Casey Christopher and consists of many of the same musicians.

The band and its members hold a lot of responsibility and put a lot of effort into what they do. Having to set up time for rehearsal and being able to play all the way through the game is a daunting task for any musician.

Most of the musicians come from a well-rounded background, whether it be jazz band or a high school pep band.

Pep bands usually consist of a modified marching band with less numbers so they can fit in a gym. Other pep bands, much like the Northwest Nazarene Pep Band, are a

modified jazz bands including rock instruments.

The Crusader Pep Band's instrumentation consists of five Saxophones, three Trumpets, three Trombones, and five rhythm section members, much like the NNU Jazz Big Band.

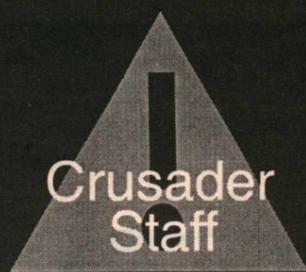
The style of music the band plays ranges from jazz to Latin to classic rock. The music does a good job of generating enthusiasm and adding the atmosphere of the basketball games.

If any Crusader basketball fans show up to the game early, as well as stay for halftime or hang around after, they will most likely hear the band playing many of the most requested tunes. And of course, during some time outs, you will be able to hear the band playing.

From the school's fight song to the theme from *Rocky*, you will always be able to hear school spirit coming from that section of the gym. For the rest of the season, Crusader fans will get a chance to hear the pep band play. If you have not already had this experience come out a game.



Dr. Christopher leads the pep band during a Crusader men's basketball game. The band plays a variety of music and styles during games and events year-round.



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Editors Note:

As the campus editor of the Crusader one of my responsibilities is to find and contact writers for my section.

Last semester I had several writers who were very dedicated and responsible. Unfortunately this semester quite a few of those writers will be unable to continue working for me.

Because of this I am searching for new writers. If anyone has an interest in writing campus news stories I would be glad to hear from you.

I am also always interested in hearing ideas for new stories. If you would like to contact me you can email me at: anwiggins@student.nnu.edu or call 8231.

NNU night at the Idaho
Stealheads

Friday, January 18
7:00 pm

Bank of American Center

NNU basketball action exciting yet frustrating

By Chad Frosland
Sports Editor

It was a weekend of basketball not for the faint of heart this past Thursday and Saturday at Montgomery Fieldhouse. The NNU men started things off with a tension-filled back and forth battle with an 8-4 Central Washington team. There were six ties and nine lead changes in the contest, but Larry Graves put NNU ahead 57-56 with just under nine minutes remaining and sparked a seven point run in which Kevin Richard nailed a three-pointer and Josh Coopriider finished the run with a lay-in.

Coopriider scored 18 points in the second half and finished with a team-high 21. He also made a spectacular play just after Central Washington had cut the lead to four with a three-pointer with 90 seconds to go when he grabbed an errant pass and called a timeout as he was falling out of bounds to preserve the Sadlers lead. Strong free throw shooting by both

Coopriider and James Thomas Jr. kept CWU at bay as the Crusaders won 82-77.

Saturday evening, the Crusader women found themselves locked in a knock-down, drag out double overtime battle. The Saint Martin's Saints were incredibly physical, committing an amazing 27 personal fouls



Shawna McArthur

Tim Johnson scores against St. Martin's.

against the lady Sadlers. SMC overcame a 10 point deficit toward the end of regulation to force overtime. Amber Hellberg, Alysson Kollman and Karianne Oysted all had double-doubles with Hellberg leading the way with 27 points, but the final shot just refused to go down as the Saints grabbed a heart-wrenching 91-90 victory.

The night concluded with

The AP College Basketball poll

Rank	Team	W-L
1.	Duke (22)	(14-1)
2.	Florida (9)	(14-1)
3.	Maryland	(13-2)
4.	Kansas	(13-2)
5.	Oklahoma	(13-1)
6.	Oklahoma St.	(15-1)
7.	Syracuse	(15-2)
8.	Cincinnati	(15-1)
9.	Virginia	(10-2)
10.	Illinois	(13-4)
11.	UCLA	(12-3)
12.	Kentucky	(10-4)
13.	Wake Forest	(13-3)
14.	Gonzaga	(15-2)
15.	Iowa	(13-5)
16.	Stanford	(9-4)
17.	Alabam	(14-3)
18.	Arizona	(11-4)
19.	Missouri	(12-4)
20.	Miami (Fla.)	(15-2)
21.	Boston Col.	(13-3)
22.	Oregon	(12-4)
23.	USC	(13-2)
24.	Georgia	(14-2)
25.	Butler	(15-2)

more drama as the Sadlers lost their grip on a 66-55 lead to Saint Martin's but then almost completed an amazing comeback in the 78-76 loss. The Sadlers shot a strong 52% from the floor but were less than 30% from behind the arc and under 60% from the free-throw line. The Saints went on a 17-4 run toward the end of the game to take a 72-70 lead. Larry Graves was 7 of 10 for 16 points in the defeat.

Four teams fall in wild NFL weekend

By David Alban
Sports Writer

The home teams dominated three of four wild card games over the weekend. Philadelphia started it all with a trampling of Tampa Bay on Saturday, 31-9. The Eagles defense came up with four interceptions that proved to be fatal for the Buccaneers.

Eagle quarterback Donovan McNabb was the star of the contest with two touchdown passes. He threw for 194 yards and had 57 yards on the ground.

The two best defenses in the NFL will collide next week when the rested Bears invite the Eagles to Soldier Field. Do not count on many points being scored in this battle in the trenches.

The Oakland Raiders were able to silence the critics with the help of future Hall of Fame receiver Jerry Rice. Rice enjoyed a break-out game with nine catches for 183 yards and a touchdown.

Raider tailback Charlie Garner sealed the 38-24 victory with an 80-yard run with less than two minutes to play. Oakland's Rich Gannon was almost perfect completing 23 of 29 passes for nearly 300 yards and no interceptions.

The Raiders travel to New England next week.

Favre was just too much for the 49ers in Lambeau. Green Bay remained unbeaten at home in the playoffs. The Packers ended San Francisco's season 25-15 in front of a sell out crowd on the frozen tundra.

The game came down to the wire, but the Niner defense could not stop the Packers when it was crunch time in the fourth quarter. Green Bay travels to the number one seed St. Louis Rams. The Packer defense had better be on its toes against the Warner clan or it will be one long game for the green and yellow.

Baltimore rolled over Miami in south Florida. The Ravens pulled off the only upset of the weekend, winning 20-3. The Dolphin offense looked horrendous. Miami's only score was off a fumble on the opening kickoff.

The Ravens managed to gain 226 yards on the ground against the fifth best defense in the league. Their two touchdown drives were of 90 and 99 yards respectively. Baltimore did the little things right, and Miami did nothing. Pittsburgh will host Baltimore next week in what should be a defensive struggle.

Looks like a duck

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creature, so as my blood began to boil, I jumped in front of the hoodlum and yelled toward the TV camera "Let's go Ducks, we're number one" as I pointed to my sweatshirt and gave a thumbs up. The cameraman focused in on my shirt and then tilted up to my face. It's amazing what a positive attitude can do for you.

So after a long night of ringing in the New Year with Bryan Adams, fireworks and attempting to prove which football team was better through yelling, it was time to rest up for the biggest football game in Oregon Ducks history.

We arrived at Sun Devil stadium about two hours before kickoff and filed into the gloriously decorated stadium. We walked down along the side of the field and watched as a few players began warming up.

My mom spotted three doctors on the field from her orthopedic office that she works

at, and she told them to get together so we could take a picture of them. A funny looking man with a terrible mustache ended up walking right in front of them as my brother took the picture, but the doctors were grateful for the kind gesture, and one of them walked over to my mom and asked where our seats were as we shook his hand through the chain link fence separating us. Well, we tried to point them out, but we could not quite see them because they were so high up.

Dr. Singer told us to wait there for a second and disappeared down the sideline. He returned with tickets right on the 20-yard line only a few rows up. My brother and I began jumping up and down and yelling because we were so excited. We ended up sitting closer to the field than the coaches' wives. These were the best seats I have ever had for an Oregon football game.

Oregon's quarterback, Joey Harrington, had a 100-foot high billboard of himself across the



Chad Frosland

Oregon Quarter Back Joey Harrington rallies his offense just before taking the field for the Fiesta Bowl.

street from Madison Square Garden in downtown New York, and in the biggest game of his career he finally played up to that larger than life standard.

The Ducks fell behind early 7-0, but Harrington threw a 28 yard touchdown strike to Keenan Howry, and then followed that up with a bulls-eye 79-yard bomb to a streaking Samie Parker for a 14-7 lead that sucked the wind out of Colorado's sails.

Oregon added an acrobatic 49-yard touchdown run by Maurice Morris in which he actually sat on a defender en route to the end zone. After two more Harrington touchdown tosses and a 47-yard field goal, the Ducks had scored 38 straight points and had sealed up the victory early in the fourth quarter.

Harrington was offensive player of the game with 350 yards passing and four touchdowns but much of the credit

belongs to Oregon's ticked-off defense. Lee Corso of ESPN predicted that Colorado would pin 50 points on the Oregon, but the Buffaloes did not even hit the 50 mark for yards rushing. Their heavily touted trio of running backs was held to 49 yards on the ground.

The Oregon Ducks finally proved to the nation that they belong among the nation's elite, and I got to see it all up close. Incredible.



NNU missionaries work on laying down the floor for the Maporitán church they're building.

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"The trip was a really great experience. It was very beautiful there and all of the people were wonderful. It's obvious that God is really at work in Venezuela. The greatest lesson I learned on the trip was that the novelty of sleeping in hammocks wore off after the first night."

Tim Knapp

"The thing that struck me the most was how dedicated the people in Venezuela were to their faith. Everything in their lives was very focused on the Lord. On New Year's Eve we hiked to a house on the top of the Andes to hold a church service. The hike was practically verticle and it nearly killed me. I practically passed out. But it reminded me of how God doesn't make things easy but He makes it worth it. When we got to the top, the view was so beautiful and amazing. The end result was definitely worth the effort."

Adam Butts



Left: Brent Cashell leads the NNU group in some music for a late-night church service.



Right: Gene Schandorff takes a break for a photo-op with some locals from the area.

"I was most impacted by the enthusiastic and energetic church services. It was obvious that the people there were just excited about being at church, it wasn't at all a duty. The group from NNU was really great. Everyone had a great attitude, and I feel like we all really bonded."

Johanna Hamilton



Top left: Some local Venezuelan children show off their balloon-animals that they made with NNU's group of volunteers.
Bottom left: Kim Haddon and Adam Butts work together to get the roofing ready for assembly.
Right: The entire group involved in the building of the church group together for a picture in the finished product.



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Students group together to take a photo after the church has been completed.

...ast December (12-27-01 to 01-08-02) a group of NNU students and faculty traveled to the country of Venezuela on a witness trip. They spent the bulk of the trip (5 days) in a small and remote village called Maporitas. Since this small village is three hours away from the nearest town, it was a very big deal for the villagers that the missionaries had come to their village on the mission for the workers' time in Venezuela. The living arrangements for these students were hammocks hung in the trees and orchards in the village. After five days of work and a new church had been completed and after everyone had gotten many mosquito bites, this group of NNU students moved on from village to village, attending church services in each place and ministering to the local Christians. In each village the missionaries donated clothes, food, and toys and spent a large portion of their time getting to know the local people in these regions.

"The church services were really great. I loved the way the pastor would pick someone in the middle of the service to lead the singing or to speak for the service. It was really fun and it kept things interesting. My favorite part about Venezuela was the relaxed atmosphere. There were no time frames and nothing was set by the clock."

Susan Young



An assembly line is set up to get the building products to the construction site.



Top: The workers take a relaxing day at the Caribbean beach to recoop after all of their hard work.

Bottom Left: The roof on the church progresses in completion.



Left: The NNU group sits down for another exciting Venezuelan church service.



Right: The church roof nears completion.



The frame of the church is raised and stood ready for the rest of the construction.

"The most memorable experience for me was waking up to pigs running into my hammock, and then hearing the monkeys howl at the top of the mountain. I was really impacted by the selflessness of the people there. The fact that they killed a cow and installed a toilet for us really showed how excited they were to have us there."

Megan Garske

"Everyone should take a trip to Venezuela. It's such a great experience. I was really relieved that we didn't see any snakes too. Unfortunately, we had to eat way too much cow while we were there. But it was a very eye-opening experience, because everyone had to work really hard to just survive in their culture. For example, you just can't go buy sand at a store. Instead you have to go down to the river and get the sand and then drag it up a hill back to their village. It was very amazing."

Beth Folkestad

US Government releases bioterror documents

By Marie Coelho
Off-Campus Writer

Months into an extended war on bioterrorism, the government is still making available to the public hundreds of formerly secret documents that tell how to turn dangerous germs into deadly weapons.

For \$15, anyone can buy "Selection of Process for Freeze-Drying, Particle Size Reduction and Filling of Selected BW Agents," or germs for biological warfare. The 57-page report, dated 1952, includes plans for a factory that could produce dried germs in powder form, designed to lodge in human lungs.

For years, experts have called such documents cookbooks for terrorists and condemned their public release. Now, scientists and military experts are campaigning to have the weapon reports locked away from public access. The Bush administration is considering such restrictions, said John H. Marburger III, the White House science adviser.

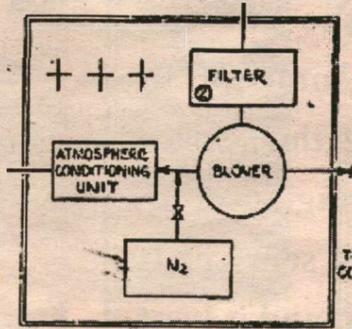
Experts warn that the documents, even though decades old, have information that could help produce the kind of sophisticated anthrax powder that killed five people and traumatized the nation last fall.

"It's pretty scary stuff," said Raymond A. Zilinskas, a senior scientist at the Monterey Institute of International Studies. "There's a whole bunch of literature out there that's really cookbook."

One report obtained by Dr. Zilinskas from the government is "Development of 'N' for Offensive Use in Biological Warfare." 'N' was the code letter for Bacillus anthracis, the germ that causes anthrax. Another is "The Stability of Botulinum Toxin in Common Beverages." The germ-derived substance is the most poisonous known to science.

Such documents were written from 1943 to 1969 when the United States employed scientists and engineers to research, develop and build a stockpile of germ weapons.

Although Washington renounced germ warfare in 1969 and dismantled its arsenal, the government preserved



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Diagram from a once-secret 1952 U.S. document on germ weapons.

the studies, recipes and blueprints on which the arms were based.

Many of the documents have been declassified over the decades as part of an effort to make public the inner workings of government. Today, federal agencies routinely sell the documents to historians and other researchers, mostly by Internet and telephone.

Critics of the disclosure policy inside and outside the government fear that the germ warfare documents could speed the development of weapons meant to cripple the United States, and they want new precautions.

"I don't think how-to manuals should be out there." ~ Dr. Ronald Atlas

"We can't get it back," Dr. Zilinskas said of papers already released. "But we can prevent further leakage of this material to the general public."

Shortly before the terror attacks, Dr. Zilinskas and W. Seth Carus, a germ expert at the military's National Defense University, wrote a report on bioterrorism that called for a group of experts to review the old literature and see which reports should be reclassified, safeguarding them with new layers of federal secrecy.

But just the opposite has been under way at Fort Detrick, MD., home of the Army's old program to make germ weapons. Two years ago, in the Clinton administration, the military post was asked to examine what other secret and confidential reports should be declassified.

With new resolve since the anthrax attacks, that work has now shifted into reverse. In an interview, the military expert evaluating 3,500 documents at Fort Detrick said he became

alarmed at those already available and is calling for new barriers.

"The problem is not declassification — it's reclassification," said the official, Harry G. Dangerfield, a medical doctor at Fort Detrick during the offensive germ program. Dr. Dangerfield now works for the Science Applications International Corporation, a military contractor conducting the Fort Detrick study.

"My major concern is the number of unclassified documents that need to be protected against F.O.I.A. requests," Dr. Dangerfield said, referring to the Freedom of Information Act. "They're locked up, but it doesn't do any good if people can write or call in and get them because of the law."

Dr. Dangerfield is preparing a report on the topic for Maj. Gen. John S. Parker, the Fort Detrick commander. Dr. Dangerfield said that the report would call for the reclassification of more than 200 reports he characterized as how-to manuals for turning germs into weapons. His first examination of them, he said, "Raised the hair on the back of my neck."

But supporters of public access to government information are wary of the new push.

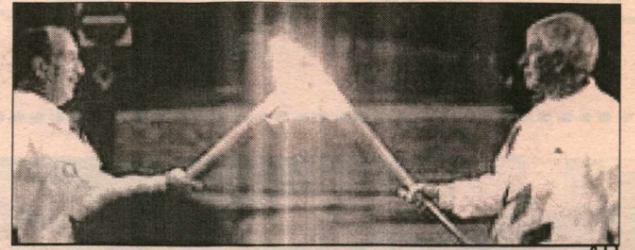
Steven Aftergood, a secrecy expert at the Federation of American Scientists said that it could promote bad policy. "If these documents pose a threat, they should be controlled, if possible," Dr. Aftergood said. "But classification abuse is rampant in the government and authority to reclassify things could wreak havoc."

Ronald M. Atlas, president-elect of the American Society of Microbiology, the world's largest organization of germ professionals, echoed those concerns.

"Once the cat's out of the bag, can you ever really put it back?" Dr. Atlas asked. And, he said, even if new secrecy were possible, it would be wise to exercise caution.

"I don't think how-to manuals should be out there," Dr. Atlas said. "But if it's information that has dual purposes and can protect public health, it should be released."

Olympic torch to visit Treasure Valley



Geoff Payne, left, lights Robert Hopper's torch during the 2002 Olympics Torch relay in St. Joseph, Mo., Thursday, Jan. 10. The relay, which will visit Caldwell, Nampa and Boise on Jan. 25, concludes in Salt Lake City next month for the Winter Games.

By Amber Adams
Off-Campus Writer

Food, fun and fellowship, as Nampa and Caldwell put out the red carpet in grand style for the 2002 Winter Olympic Torch Relay as runners take the torch through the area toward the Salt Lake City games.

Thousands are expected to turn out Jan. 25, 2002 at O'Connor Field House to welcome the torch bearers. There will be pizza, hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, drinks and door prizes, Committee Chairwoman Susan Miller said. The Alberston College Art students will be painting an Olympics Mural that will be on display.

Entertainment will be provided by the Vallivue High School choir, Albertson College of Idaho Jazz Band, Caldwell High School Band and others. The event is scheduled to begin around 3 pm and end at 6; the cost is free.

The order of the day will proceed as follows. Torch bearers will pass along Cleveland Boulevard from

Centennial Way on the city's west side starting about 4 p.m., said security coordinator Bud Fesler. Caldwell students from all grade levels will "adopt" blocks along Cleveland Boulevard and decorate them for the torch runners, Miller said.

Around 4:50pm, the torch bearers are expected to arrive in Nampa. Here, there will be a break in the relay for about 15 minutes in the parking lot of the Nampa Civic Center, 311 Street S., when the Skyview and Nampa High School bands will perform. Nampa Boys and Girls Club members will also perform patriotic songs.

Organizer Sarah Weeks said a chili feed, sponsored by several service clubs, will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. and Olympic souvenirs including T-shirts, pens, wands and other items will be offered for sale. All are encouraged to participate as Nampa and Caldwell see the Olympic torch pass through on its way to Salt Lake City.

Couple face fraud charge

By Amber Adams
Off-Campus Writer

A couple from Nampa was recently charged with 28 counts of conspiracy, wire fraud and the shipping of a misbranded drug in interstate commerce. The man, Thomas Vigil, claimed that the drug would help cure paralytics and others with severe spinal cord injuries.

He produced the vials himself and charged patients up to \$500 for a small quantity of product. One patient spent nearly \$10,000 on the drug, called Neuralyn. In actuality the drug only cost around \$15 per vial and was made up of several different skin medications and vitamins.

Vigil also claimed to have had a medical degree from Harvard

and a doctoral degree in biochemistry. He was suspected by investigators to have only taken a 27-day mail-order course in biochemistry from a "diploma mill" that has since been shut down.

The Vigils told patients that the FDA was in the process of approving the drug and that there was a patent pending. Neither of these proved to be true. Vigil did most of his advertising over the internet and by using promotional material.

Thomas Vigil, 48, and Beverly Vigil, 36, formerly of Meridian, operated the Alternative Medicine and BiPhysics Research clinic on Yale Avenue in Nampa until June 2000. The Vigils were indicted by a federal grand jury Thursday.

Afghanistan bans use of guns



Aamir Qureshi/Agence France-Presse
In an appliance store in Karachi, Pakistanis watched as the president, Gen. Pervez Musharraf, announced a ban on militant Muslim groups.

By Jayna Poe
Off-Campus Writer

Beginning Monday, Jan. 14, 2002, residents of Kabul, Afghanistan who need to carry a gun to fulfill their job requirements will also be required to carry with them a government identification card, according to Afghan authorities.

This is the beginning stage of a plan developed by Afghanistan's interim rulers to rid their society of its dependence on firearms and other weapons. According to General Bismullah Khan, the overseer of security in Kabul and the surrounding province in affiliation with the Northern Alliance, disarming the 24 million people is essential in order to restore order to the country.

During the aftermath of the Taliban rule, Northern Alliance soldiers, members of the militia, irregular troops, security guards and a menagerie of other people are roaming the streets armed, and this has created a spike in the crime rate according to General Khan.

In a show of support for the government of Afghanistan, the Taliban government also believes that guns in the hands of civilians is harmful to society, and has devoted many resources to collecting weapons.

However, with approximately 700,000 armed men, successive rulers of Afghanistan have discovered that ridding the society of guns is not an easy task.

This is complicated by the 23 years of nearly constant war, many people do not feel safe or secure without a gun within reach. "After 23 years of war, you can't expect there to be a sense of security in Afghanistan," General Khan said.

Even tasks such as differenti-

ating between soldiers and civilians have proven to be tricky. Military-style uniforms and machine guns are carried by security guards. Even civilians, like Habib Samadi, wear camouflage fatigues in order to navigate checkpoints in the city easier.

Other areas are not immune to lawlessness as in the city. Southern Afghanistan, where the United States continues to bomb the suspected hide-outs of Taliban fighters and Al Qaeda terrorists and the interim government of Afghanistan has little control, the insecure conditions have made relief efforts difficult.

Afghanistan's interim government took its first step in combating the lawlessness last week. Between 300 and 400 Northern Alliance troops who had been loitering in Kabul since the flee of the Taliban on Nov. 9 were ordered to leave the city. Yunus Qanooni, the interior minister, said on Sunday the majority of the soldiers had moved to a barracks outside the city. The soldiers still in Kabul are waiting for quarters to be prepared.

Though relatively peaceful during the day, a surge of robberies after dark have been committed by people in uniform claiming to be looking for weapons or fugitive Taliban members.

With only around 100 trained police officers in Kabul, the police are hopelessly outgunned. Only about 30 percent of the police force is trained, while the other 70 percent, though some are former soldiers, were hired off the streets to assist with assignments. "Our problem is that we lack the basic elements of a police department,"

Qanooni said. "It was completely destroyed by the Taliban. We must rebuild it from zero." The military is beginning to con-

fiscate weapons from troops no longer on active duty while the government creates a new police force. General Qalandar Big, the operator of the main ammunition depot in Kabul stated that he had collected around 2,000 firearms.

Confiscating weapons from civilians has not been as easy as expected. During the Taliban confiscation of firearms, many families would turn in one and keep another as a spare.

According to Qanooni, the Afghan government would rather entice the people into surrendering their weapons by creating economic opportunities so that people no longer feel the need to have a gun in order to survive, than compel them to give up their firearms.

"We need to give jobs to the mujahedeen," he said. If that doesn't work out, Qanooni stated that the government could offer to purchase guns from civilians. "If we spent \$200 million, we could buy all of them," he said. "Unfortunately, we do not have it."

The most difficult challenge in Afghanistan presently is to break the cycle of violence. The murder of Walid Samadi was not the first violent death in his family; his eldest brother Farid, a student of engineering, was killed in a bombing during the Afghan civil war in 1994.

When asked if he wanted to carry a gun, Walid's younger brother, Habib, answered by shaking his head vigorously. "We don't like to carry weapons," he said. "We hate weapons." After looking at his grief-stricken mother, he added, "Of course it would be good for the security of our family."

News Briefs

Bush collapses while watching football

President Bush fainted briefly in the White House residence Sunday after choking on a pretzel while watching a National Football League playoff game on television, White House physician Dr. Richard Tubb said.

"I do not find any reason that this would happen again," said Tubb, an Air Force Colonel. "He fainted due to a temporary decrease in heart rate brought on by swallowing a pretzel."

Tubb said Bush suffered an abrasion on his left cheek the size of a half dollar and a bruise on his lower lip, apparently from falling onto the floor from a couch.

Tubb said Bush believes he was out only for a few seconds because when he awoke, his two dogs were sitting in the same position they were when he lost consciousness.

"He said it (the pretzel) didn't seem to go down right," Tubb said.

The fainting spell occurred at approximately 5:35 p.m. EST and Bush contacted a nurse on duty at the White House five minutes later. Tubb was paged eight minutes later and rushed to the White House to examine the president.

Investigators recover bodies of Marines

Military investigators have recovered the bodies of five of the seven marines killed when their plane crashed in Pakistan this week, a military spokesman said today.

The bodies, which have not been identified, will be flown to Dover Air Force Base in Delaware and should arrive there Sunday or Monday, said Maj. Brad Lowell, a spokesman for United States Central Command headquarters in Tampa, Fla.

The Marine KC-130 tanker carrying the marines had left Jacobabad, Pakistan, and was on its way to an airfield south of the Afghan border.

The plane crashed into a mountain and exploded on Wednesday near an air base at Shamsi, in southwestern Pakistan. Officials said the plane, a four-engine turboprop, was probably delivering fuel to bases in the area. Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld has all but ruled out hostile fire as a cause of the crash, but there have been few details about how it occurred.

An investigative team searched today for the remains of the other two Marines and looked for clues to the cause of the crash, Major Lowell said. It was the most deadly incident in the antiterrorism campaign in Afghanistan.

Attack continues to threaten employment

The Sept. 11 terrorist attacks will cost the nation more than 1.8 million jobs by the end of the year, a study has estimated.

"The consequences of Sept. 11 for individuals and unique localities have been profound," the report said.

The report said that 248,000 jobs had already been lost because of the attacks and that an additional 1.6 million jobs were expected to be lost this year.

New York City should lose nearly 150,000 more jobs; followed by Los Angeles, with 69,000 jobs; and Chicago with at least 68,000, the report said.

"The good news is that many of those jobs should come back," said Ross DeVol, director of regional studies at the institute.

All News Briefs written by Ryan Hanson, Off-Campus Editor

Penelope is not having Dave's Baby

Before all these rumors and innuendos get out of hand, I want to set the record straight regarding me and Penelope Cruz.

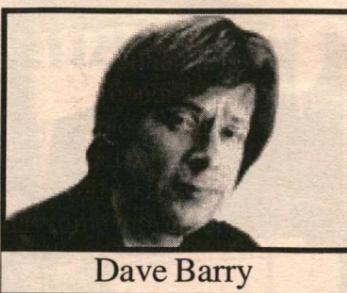
In case you have not heard, Penelope and I recently were both on the "Today" show on exactly the same day. As I am sure you are aware, Penelope is a top female star who has been romantically linked to Tom Cruise. Prior to that, she was romantically linked to Matt Damon and Nicolas Cage. Penelope is just one of those female celebrities who are natural linkers. Whenever she gets into a confined space with a male celebrity, boom, they become linked, and nothing can separate them, until another male celebrity comes within range.

So as you can imagine, the "Today" show created a potentially torrid situation when it booked both me and Penelope to appear on the show only minutes apart. She was there to promote her latest movie by being glamorous and charming; I was there to promote my latest book by

making flatulence noises with my hands. You could have cut the sexual tension with a meat cleaver.

But let me make this very clear: Penelope and I did not experience any kind of linkage. For one thing, we are both very happy in our current relationships. For another thing, we did not, technically, meet. Yes, there was a brief, tension-charged moment when I glimpsed a dark object that I have reason to believe was the back of Penelope's head. I can't say for sure, because Penelope was surrounded by an entourage the size of my high school graduating class. But that is all that happened. So I am calling upon the international news media to stop spreading these vicious rumors, which can only cause pain to me, and Penelope, and Tom, and their respective entourages. We have all suffered enough.

Now that I've cleared that up, you probably want to hear about the other celebrities I met that morning, and what they were like in person.



Dave Barry

Probably the biggest name was the late George Harrison of the Beatles, whose sister, Louise, was on the show. I rode in the elevator with her, in person, and although we did not speak, she seemed very nice.

Also on the show was Julia Roberts, but she had been videotaped earlier, so I can't tell you what she was like in person. I can tell you that, on the videotape, which I watched in person, she seemed to be not at all "stuck-up," and very easy for Katie Couric to talk to. In person, Katie Couric - and you may quote me on this - is very nice.

I personally shook hands with Al Roker, the jovial and portly NBC weatherperson. I would imagine that, at one time

or another in his career, Al has shaken hands with many top celebrities, including Brad Pitt, the Backstreet Boys, Britney Spears, Donald Rumsfeld and "J. Lo," although none of them were there on this particular morning. Nevertheless, in person, Al was every bit as jovial and portly as you would hope.

One little celebrity "tidbit" that I can pass along - and I know this is true, because she looked me right in the eye and told me so herself - is that Claudia Kaneb, the wardrobe person at the "Today" show, who personally removed the dandruff flakes from my sport jacket, has also, in her career, worked on sport jackets belonging to Mr. Geraldo Rivera. I asked Claudia what they were like, in person, and she told me that they were - and this is a direct quote - "very nice jackets."

I was interviewed by Bob Costas, who was filling in for Matt Lauer, who was on vacation at an undisclosed location, which I am sure is very nice. While we were off-camera, Bob brought up a column

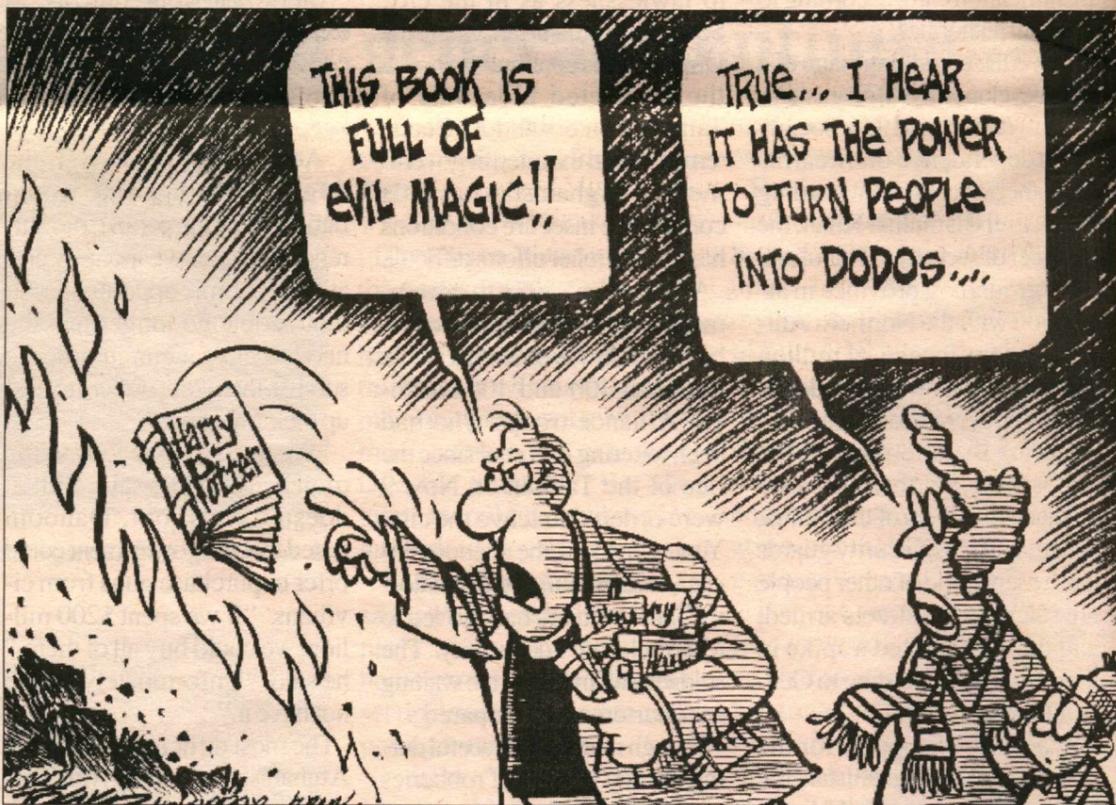
I wrote about baseball several months ago in which I mentioned Bob's name in connection with the song "Who Let the Dogs Out," by the Baha Men. Bob stressed to me that he has nothing to do with that song. So let me state for the record: BOB COSTAS IS NOT NOW, NOR HAS HE EVER BEEN, ONE OF THE BAHAMEN. Although I am sure they are nice.

After I got off the air, I called my wife to ask her how I did on national television. My wife did not want to talk about that. All she wanted to talk about was whether I thought Penelope Cruz is as beautiful as everybody else seems to think she is. I assured her that, from what I could tell, Penelope, in person, is a woofing dog. I try to be nice, but I am not a total idiot.

Dave Barry is an award winning columnist. Barry writes about various major issues relating to the international commentary, the future of economy, the social infrastructure and exploding toilets.



Crusader Tip of the Week: Using Bedbugs is great motivation to get out of bed for that 7:30 class.



And Now...
For something completely different!

"What is the most embarrassing thing you've done to impress a member of the opposite sex?"

--Jill Colburn

"I had a farting contest with a guy I liked my freshman year of college. Consequently my future husband walked up at the time I ripped one."

--Kathy Burns

"I had a boyfriend here at NNC and one at home. When the one from home came to visit, I went home to avoid the conflict."

--Karen Pearson

"I pretended that I won tickets to a movie on a radio contest so that I could ask a guy out."

--Jon Colburn

"My entire dating career, (both of them) was embarrassing."



Russell Crowe stars as gifted mathematician John Nash in *A Beautiful Mind*.

Crowe shines in *Beautiful Mind*

By Aaron Gentry
Opinions Writer

In one of 2001's last contenders for the mighty Oscars, Russell Crowe plays John Nash in *A Beautiful Mind*. John Nash is a very gifted mathematician who starts his mathematical career as a graduate student at Princeton. He quickly realized, as an unpublished genius, he would not make his mark by attending classes but must quickly come up with an "original idea," one that would earn him a most-coveted spot as a resident researcher at MIT's military research school.

Along the journey, he meets the lovely Alicia, played by Jennifer Connelly, who soon becomes Alicia Nash. Nash and wife soon face their first dilemma as a couple. They discover Nash has a mental disease that may change their lives forever. After over an hour of movie has gone by, you finally learn the real challenge for John is not the complex spy story he has conjured up, but his fight to realize that it is not real.

A Beautiful Mind is a stirring story of how love is the only logic you will need. From notoriety to depravity, John Nash experienced it all. He made the brilliant discovery and gained international acclaim. But he soon found himself on a harrowing journey of self-discovery. After years of strife, he finally overcame, and late in his life, received the Nobel Prize for economics.

Amidst a moving movie and wonderful story are extremely powerful performances by at least four actors and arguably many of the others. Paul Bettany plays Charles, John Nash's Princeton roommate and best friend. Many will remember him from his hysterical performance as Geoffrey Chaucer in *A Knight's Tale*. Ed Harris gives an on-par, all-star performance as Parcher. And Jennifer Connelly (*Requiem for a Dream*, *Dark City*, *Labyrinth*) gives one of the best performances of her career. But stealing the screen away from a great story is the title actor, Russell Crowe.

Crowe's facial ticks, awkward shyness and subtle stuttering is just some of his amazing repertoire. Many people, including myself, were rooting for Tom Hanks to win the Best Actor Oscar for 2000, and now, we root for Crowe's outstanding performance. Throughout this movie, we not only see this man go through hell, we feel it as though a huge wave hit us in the face, and we were taken down into the dark depths along with him, thanks to Crowe's complete immersion in the part. But don't give all the credit to this amazing actor.

Ron Howard (*How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, *Ransom*, *Apollo 13*, *Far and Away*, *Backdraft*) directs the cast and story superbly, once again showing us he is not just the simple boy named Opie Taylor from "The Andy Griffith Show." Howard's vision is for-

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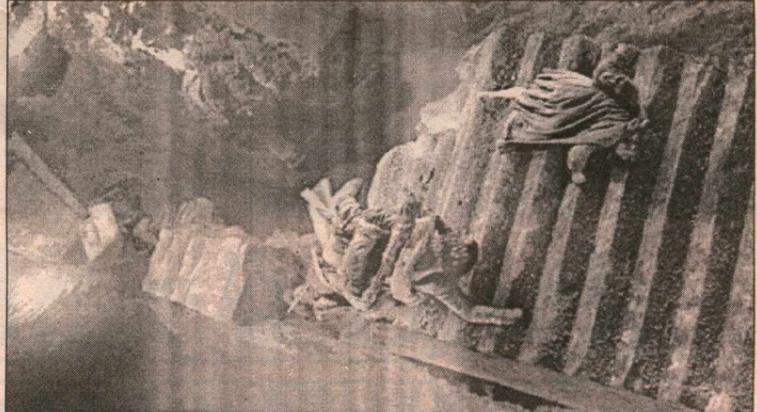
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Our Rating System

- ✓✓✓✓ Great movie! Shows signs of a possible classic
- ✓✓✓ A definite pick for a weekend movie
- ✓✓ See it at least once, it might make you a better person
- ✓ The sticky stuff on the floor is more interesting
- ☞ Eating the stuff on the floor would be more interesting

midably impeccable, really allowing you to understand Nash's affliction as if you yourself were in Nash's shoes.

Basing the screenplay from the book by Sylvia Nasar, Akiva Goldsman's writing only serves to back up the powerful movie. Her writing credits include *A Time to Kill* and 2002's Tom Clancy 'terrorist thriller,' *The Sum of All Fears*.

To sum up a movie this powerful in an article of less than 500 words is one of the hardest things for a movie-lover like me to do. And if you really feel like counting, I didn't. If you're looking for a movie to take a date or even your family to, this is it. While there is some language, some minor sexual content and some intense action scenes with minimal violence, the movie has no guts, no gore, no nudity and no one seems to do any George Carlin impressions. This is one movie you should see before the Oscars, so you at least know why it wins.



Another adventure filled moment in the the first installment of the fantasy epic, *Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*.

Rings shows signs of bright future

By Aaron Bly
Opinions Writer

Every once in a while, a movie is given the adjective of 'epic' by those who thoroughly enjoy its vastness and large-scale entertainment value. Surely the first installment of *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, *The Fellowship of the Ring*, is worthy of such an accolade. The film works, as people often like to say, on many levels. Because of this, *The Fellowship of the Ring* has been able to attract a broader crowd than one might expect from an action/fantasy type movie. Not everyone would enjoy the film, but if someone is looking for a good time where they can take a trip to a land far, far away, *The Fellowship of the Ring* certainly will not leave anyone halfway there.

The acting most likely will not garner many awards, but the characters are fun and personable enough to keep the story moving along at an enjoyable rate. Elijah Wood (*The Faculty*, *The Good Son*) plays Frodo Baggins, the main character of the story who is a Hobbit on a mission to destroy a ring he has in his possession. The ring must be destroyed because it is evil and is sought by the Dark Lord Sauron, who is not at all a nice being. Sean Astin (*The Goonies*, *Rudy*) plays Frodo's friend Samwise, who helps out on the journey. Ian McKellen (*X-Men*, *Gods and Monsters*), a well-known British actor, plays Gandalf the Grey, a wizard and good friend of Frodo, and he also helps on the journey. All in all, there are nine members of the 'Fellowship' who are chosen or volunteer to ensure the destruction of the ring that is at the center of the story. Other notable actors include Liv Tyler (*Armageddon*, *That Thing You Do!*), Cate Blanchett (*Bandits*, *Elizabeth*), Sean Bean (*GoldenEye*, *Patriot*

Games), and Hugh Weaving (Agent Smith in *The Matrix*).

The Fellowship of the Ring is directed by Peter Jackson, who is most known for making horror films. This is evidenced by the occasional scene of fright that occurs throughout the film. But because of the story's grand nature, there is much more than a scary image or two. There are magnificent battle scenes, scenic panoramic views, intelligent character interactions and various elements of fantasy that must be seen to be understood. And all of this is tied together with the central plot of good versus evil, primarily dealing with the temptation of such evil. The way in which the film presents the almost overwhelming desire of its characters to give into evil at various times is so realistic and well-presented that this is the main reason why the film succeeds.

It also succeeds because it is just so cool. Howard Shore's wonderful musical score amplifies the film's aesthetic values all the way through, while the flawless special effects make the eccentric and often weird characters as realistic as is now possible. It is not often that a movie can capture all the things that make a film good, but *The Fellowship of the Ring* has, which makes it worth seeing one, two, three, four, or more times. It is probably the best movie of 2001.

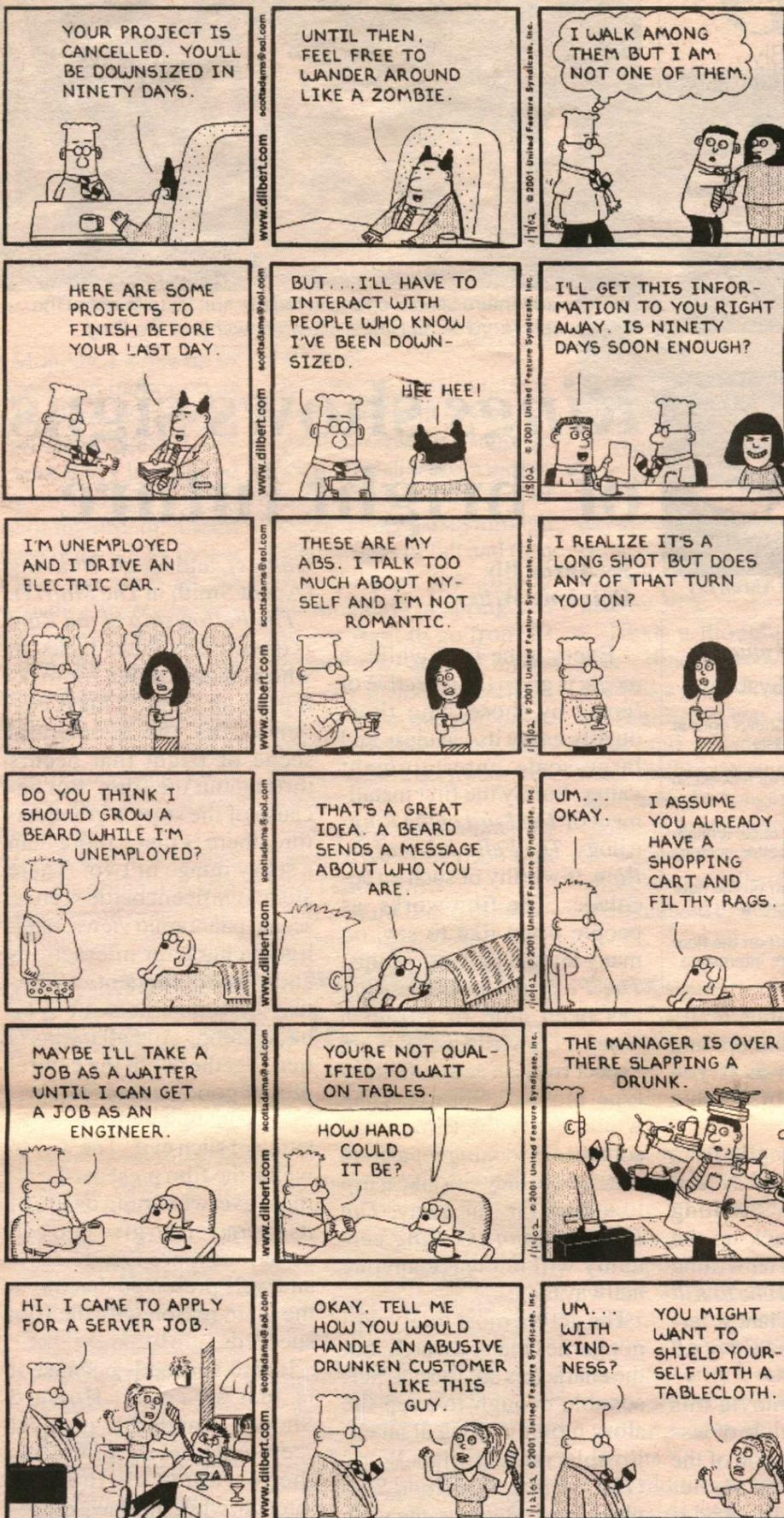
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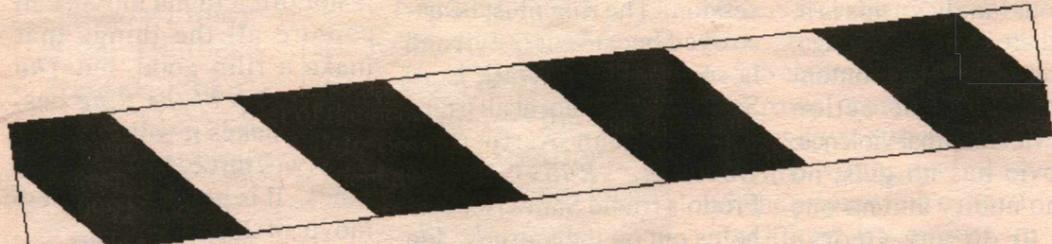
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10. You know which publisher puts out the best dictionary.
9. You voluntarily keep a journal - and write in it.
8. People are constantly asking you to proofread their papers.
7. You quote poetry for no apparent reason.
6. You know the difference between "affect" and "effect."
5. You get into fiery and impassioned discussions about Shakespeare.
4. You've read more books than you've seen movies.
3. You use the word "locus" in a paper - and you didn't use a thesaurus.
2. It really bothers you when others write "you're" when it should be "your."
1. You watch "Top Gun" and complain that the plot line falls too much before the climax.

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