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*"Men are never so likely to settle a question rightly as when they discuss it freely."—Macaulay*

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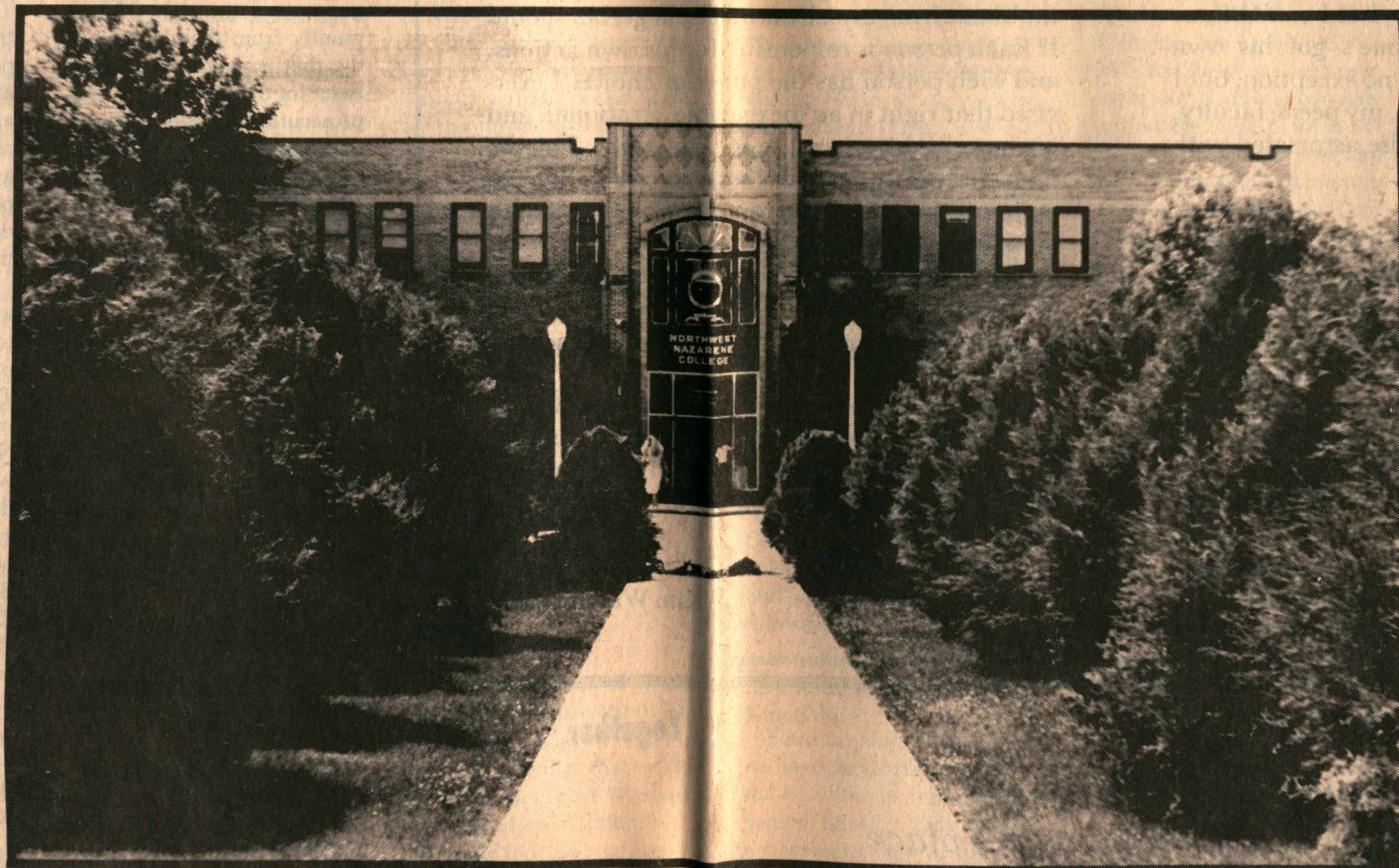
## PROBLEMS NOT HOPELESS

*by Richard Hume*

Why has the enrollment decline at NNC resulted in the loss of 300 students since 1981-82? Five issues of *The Crusader* have attempted to isolate the cause(s) but as the evidence piled up it became clear that blame rested at every conceivable level from students to the home churches.

However, the responsibility of administration should not be overlooked. Through interviews with Ray Lindley and Bruce Webb, both responsible for selling NNC education to prospective students, *The Crusader* learned that through their statements that they possibly could have done more. Individually each admitted they did not anticipate the coming decline and perhaps could have increased their effort earlier.

Yet, it would be unfair and inaccurate to leave the blame upon only two. Dr. Gilbert Ford, resigning Academic Dean, projected the annual declines yet failed to successfully convince anyone to take any action. Respon-



*Northwest Nazarene College, founded in 1913, currently faces problems stemming from enrollment decline.*

tains that an endowment of that size could give NNC

financial stability and produce a college of great significance for the church

and world. However, we are a long way away from these goals.

Ideally NNC could be very different in 1995. A faculty of 70% doctorates, athletic programs that are given the funds and coaching to be competitive, academic programs there were not a secret, and a reputation in the church and country as an institution whose alumni are bringing the Kingdom of God to earth. Before these potentialities are reached much work must be done.

The Regents, the region, and the denomination must allow and accept NNC as an institution that trains future leaders of the church. They must also accept that the status-quo has problems and

sibility also does not escape former-President Kenneth Pearsall. Beyond his efforts at public relations and fund raising it was under his tenure that the decline was most severe and under his administration that plans and policies were not developed. As one examines problems more closely it becomes apparent that the Academic Committee, the faculty, and the business planners overlooked the projected decline and did not make earlier adjustments.

Beyond official policies and personalities one must realize that students are not choosing to come to NNC. A list of over 100 reasons could easily be made, however, some reasons are more obvious. *The Crusader* has heard complaints from students about some encounters with NNC personnel—these extend from an academic adviser to

business personnel. Students at times site being given the run-around and abrupt, curt answers to their inquires. Students opinion is affected by college personnel who forget that the college exists for the students.

Another area that discourages students are the student life policies. A few students choose not to return because they do not conform to NNC behavior rules. Still others are enraged by what they see as an arbitrary and inconsistent enforcement of policies. The remedy for these problems is to narrow the regulations to the most important and develop a consistent enforcement pattern.

The final most obvious problem lies with the students. Many students come to NNC expecting a big church summer-camp. When they find out that this view is horribly inaccurate, many

fail and return home with less than positive attitudes. These attitudes need to be responded to at the local church.

The local church and general denomination are the backbone of NNC. It is at these levels that NNC has failed greatly. An image persists on the region that sees NNC as a remote object on the periphery of local church priority. The academic strengths of NNC are unknown in many churches. Some churchmen surprisingly see NNC as college liberal professors diluting the minds of docile infants. Others see NNC as a type of juvenile corrections facility, the last hope of many parents to save their offspring from the fires of hell. Both of these views exceed any rational expectations. The reality of NNC must be made clear to the region's churches. It is the power of the Spirit, the

academic toughness, the struggle of dorm life, the formation of friendships, the spiritual confrontation, and the hope of maturing adulthood that change offsprings life. Local churchmen cannot expect NNC to do in 4 years what they failed to do in 18. The message of NNC student life and academic rigor must be ingrained in the churches minds. They must see the inherent stake that they have in NNC—the denomination cannot survive without its colleges and the work of Christ will be greatly hampered without professionals trained to change the world in every area of life.

The enrollment decline can be tied to many causes. The two most recurring problems cited during this series have been the declining pool of

college age students and the lack of financial aid. Dr. Ford observed after doing research that 1/3 of NNC decline is the result of lack of college bound students in the region. With the decline of the student pool every college (most with more resources than NNC) and university in the region must compete for students. Many times NNC has lost in that competition. Other schools can compete better because they have more financial resources. Webb, Director of Admission, said that with more lucrative financial aid packages we could win student competition.

President Wetmore, at the last Board of Regents meeting outlined his plans for growth. Wetmore set goals that by 1995 NNC should have an endowment fund of \$50 million and 1,500 students. Wetmore main-

must change. They must further accept that NNC students, led by the Spirit, will be at the forefront of that progress. Christian institutions of higher learning contain and produce church leaders and must lead the change. To reject this is to make policy the result of political pressure and not ethical considerations.

NNC's myriad of problems are not insurmountable; there is light at the end of the tunnel. *The Crusader* hopes that it has led in the process of self-examination, of reflection, and of future projections. NNC, if growth is to continue, must be ever constructive and critical. The beginning of change is never painless. But if change and dilemma will make the college thrive then it is the duty of all to take part.

1971 RHODES SCHOLAR

## Luik Urges "Critical Belief"

by Rich Hume

"I trust that you demand much from your college education. College should help you to solve intellectual puzzles on your own. It should teach you to be critical, think for yourself, to be distrustful of simple answers; answers that are beyond question," urged Dr. John Luik, at the May 10, 1985 convocation service.

Luik, a 1971 NNC graduate, addressed the convocation service held in honor of NNC's 1985 Rhodes Scholar, Ginger Rinkenberg. Luik became NNC's first Rhodes Scholar when he was chosen in 1971. In 1979, Luik earned his doctorate from Oxford University in Philosophy. Currently Luik is the Dean of Theology and Philosophy and a professor at Canadian Nazarene College.

Luik urged students to become "critical believers." He elaborated by saying we must have a genuine faith that we have questioned and have chosen because of reason and not "shallow evangelism." He said we must be constantly learning and desiring to make our faith reasonable. He further warned, "We must never get away with comfortable, easy faith."

Luik revealed that the strength of the church and our faith stemmed from powerful ideas. Luik explained, "The church of self-achievement, investment, cash-flow, and crystal cathedrals is a church void of real power. I trust that you believe in the power of the cross, the power of being broken, the power that loves the poor, the hated, the despised, and the forgotten.

To become disciples of Jesus Christ is to lose your life and find it in Christ, to die to oneself and take up your cross and follow Him."

Luik went on to challenge the audience to form a vision of becoming disciples of Jesus Christ and applying that to current conditions. Luik's words were disturbing in that they threatened complacent and lukewarm Christian lives. Luik encouraged activity and proved that idealism is positive and does not necessarily die as one gets older. His central message was that Christianity and intellectualism could and should be united. NNC and other Christian colleges, Luik maintained, have a responsibility to cause that unity in the training of churchmen.

## International Students Club Shows World to NNC

by Beki Todd

This term an addition was made to the list of campus activities. The week of April 15th through April 20th was set aside as International Student Week. The week was sponsored by the International Students Club on campus. A number of activities were planned. On Monday, chapel was held by the international students, and included a slide presentation covering the countries represented by international students at NNC. All week the flags of these countries were flown beneath the American flag. On Thursday, a special international dinner was served in SAGA, including foods from several

foreign countries. The week concluded with the exhibition held in the Student Center Lounge on Friday and Saturday, where each country was represented by a booth.

The week had several results. Members of the International Students Club became closer to one another. The student body as a whole became more aware of the presence of the club on campus. And we all learned more about cultures different from our own.

Members of the club are already making plans for an International Students Week next year. While this year's week turned out very well, the

club wants to improve it for next year. Members feel that some details need to be smoothed out, and more organization needs to go into the project.

The International Students Club is at present working on a constitution. Although this requires a lot of time and effort, members feel that the work involved is worth the end result. Becoming an official NNC organization will result in a permanency that would otherwise be unlikely. When current club members have all graduated, other students from foreign cultures will still have an organized support group to turn to.

## Open Letter To The Student Body

What does a Christian campus represent? The bitter disappointment of students struggling with their own personal commitment? The number of pseudo-Christians reflecting their "Christian" example on peers? The pressures of trying to be strong in Christ when everything sacred is taken for granted in a matter-of-fact way? Is there no pride in taking a genuine stand for Christ? I'm guilty of being all of the above, but I can't blame anyone else for that. Everyone's got his own problems to deal with and I'm no exception, but I do need to ask one thing of you, my peers, faculty, administration, and anyone else associated with NNC.

Forgiveness.

Forgiveness for being rude, vulgar, inconsiderate, and weak. Forgiveness for being so bitter, so angry, so frustrated and disappointed that I could/would act on such acute impulsiveness as to arm myself with a can of spraypaint and express myself so immaturely. I'm so remorsefully sorry for the harm done not only to Jerry Hull, but especially to Mrs. Hull and Karen. I can't express just how deeply sorry I am. The attack was not intended to be at Jerry Hull but it was taken as such, and with good reason, due to lack of understanding and failure for my explanation. Jerry Hull's

name was used in a symbolic way, in representation of the system. Can I wonder how a system such as that of a Christian college can add to the difficulties in a person's life, who is frantically doing what he can by himself to stay above water and in a right relationship with God, to allow a triggering of such an irresponsible and totally unchristian act? Please excuse me -- I'm not pushing the blame from myself onto the college, but should I? Each person is responsible for his own actions, and each person has the power of choice. I exercised that right in an inexcusable, irrational, and uncharacteristic way, and I'm sorry for the damage that it caused. I'm sorry for failing to maintain an erect stature in the course of inner dissatisfaction, disappointment, and anger. I expect to pay restitution, and am trying my best to confront the criticism, judgment, humility, and embarrassment in as forward a manner as possible.

I'm not denying I'm in the wrong, and once again I express my own hurt and sincere apology for the damage I've done to the Hull family and to everyone else. I'm sorry. Please forgive me, if you can.

Kim Wannamaker

*The same God who is with you,  
is with me too.*

*So as we leave this place,*

*He ties us together,*

*like a needle and string,  
through each finger on a hand.*

by Tammy Borgman

## NNC JUDICIARY

### DOUBLE JEOPARDY

by John Neil

In several recent cases at our school, the prosecution has appealed decisions. There is something dangerous about a system that allows the prosecution to appeal cases without discretion.

In the court system of the United States, every citizen is guaranteed the right of immunity from double jeopardy, that is, from being tried twice for the same crime. The prosecution is never allowed to appeal unless there is some discrepancy in the court proceedings themselves, thereby nullifying any decision that the court may have made, either for prosecution or defense.

There are several sound reasons why the United States government refuses to allow the prosecution to appeal a case. The first reason is that it is up to the prosecution to prepare a case with enough incriminating evidence first, to warrant a trial, and second, to warrant a conviction. This means that if the prosecution does not have enough evidence in its case to convict someone the first time, it will never be given a second chance because the prosecution has so much longer to prepare a case than the defense does.

The second reason is that it protects the defendant from any attempt on the part of the prosecution to move a trial to a court where it might have an unfair advantage. The prosecution, because it is part of the state, already has a

the defendant because the court system is also a part of the state that any additional accrued advantage would totally take away any sense of fairness in the judicial system.

The Crusader Handbook clearly defines the right of a student to choose which court will hear his/her case. This right is taken away when the prosecution has the opportunity to move the trial elsewhere if the decision goes against it. Of what use are rights if they can be taken away at any time by the people giving them if things don't go the way they want them to?

The judicial process available to students wishing to appeal fines and other penalties is very nebulous. There is no clearly defined process in any one document. NNC should concern itself with coming up with a clearly defined and fair judicial system. All of the elements of our judicial process--Judicial Board, the Student Life Policy Committee, the Appeals Committee, the Student Affairs Office, and the College President--should sit down at a large table for a stress-free and lengthy period of time to work out a new, fair system for everyone.

It's no one's fault that our system is as nebulous as it is. It is just that it is a system that has been allowed to evolve instead of being planned. Planned systems are always better than evolved systems. I think, therefore, that it is time we did a little planning and set

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## Christians, Get Off Your Bibles!

by Warren Kolz

Your palms begin to sweat as the jury enters the room. The jury Foreman hands a folded slip of paper to the bailiff who in turn gives it to the judge. The judge requests that you stand as he reads the verdict of the jury. Slowly the judge opens the folded piece of paper and announces that you have been found innocent of the charges against you. You have been found innocent of being a Christian because there was not enough

evidence to convict you. You hang your head in shame and leave the court room.

It would be interesting to see how many of the students of NNC would be convicted if they were to be placed on trial, accused of being a Christian. Would there be enough evidence to convict the students of NNC?

Our Christian beliefs are based on faith, but James 3:17 says that faith without action is dead. Christ is a Christian's

prime example of putting this into practice. When an issue was brought before Jesus, He did not turn or ignore it, Jesus took action. The actions of Jesus were not always physical, quite often His action was simply to state His position on the issue.

Too often Christians forget that action is as big a part of the Christ-like life as prayer. Too often Christians sit on their Bibles and let the world go by. It has become un-

Christian for a Christian to take a stand or voice their opinion. Today's Christians seem to have forgotten that God has called them to action. Christians have become the silent minority of the world. Christians have become passive observers, unwilling to get involved in the issues that challenge Christianity.

It is a sad fact that many of the students of NNC have been no exception. We have

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been content to sit on our Bibles and watch the world go by, never bothering to get involved. When was the last time the students of NNC took a stand, on Christianity or any other issue? When was the last time the students of NNC had enough faith or belief in their Christian value of the college to voice an opinion?

We the students of NNC have become too comfortable in our Christianity. We have become content to let sin run

wild in our world as long as it doesn't directly effect our lives. Have we the students of NNC decided to ignore Christ's command to save the world or have we become to ashamed of our Christianity to let the world see it.

It's time that the students of NNC get up off their Bibles and get involved in the world we live in. It's time that we get upset at the injustice of our world.

## Publications System: Unconstitutional?

by John Neil

How does the way we deal with our student publications match up with what the United States Supreme Court says about the constitutional right of free speech and press? Is our system constitutional?

Currently, we have a Publications Board which determines the editorial policy, enforces policy, and hires and fires the editors of our two student publications. The establishing of editorial policy by anyone other than someone within the newspaper itself is a primary example of prior restraint or censorship. This is a violation of the First Amendment of the Federal Constitution guarantee of a free press. In the Supreme Court decision the case of *Near v. Minnesota ex rel. Olson*, the Court said: "Liberty of the press, historically considered and taken up by the Federal Constitution, as meant principally, although not ex-

clusively, immunity from previous restraints or censorship." For those of you who do not speak the same language as that used by lawyers, that means that you cannot tell a paper what types of articles it can and cannot print.

This freedom to print what one likes is not absolutely unlimited. In the case of *Joseph Burstyn, Inc. v. Wilson*, the Supreme Court said: "While the constitutional protection even against previous restraint is not absolutely unlimited, limitation will be recognized only in exceptional cases. The state has a heavy burden to demonstrate that such a restraint presents an exceptional case." Generally, the Court has determined that it is only obscene material which is not sanctioned by the First Amendment.

We might counter this by saying that we are only trying to create a higher degree of

ethics in the community. However, in the case of *Konigsberg v. State Bar of California*, the Supreme Court said: "Government censorship can no more be reconciled with the national constitutional standard of freedom of speech and press when done in the guise of determining 'moral character' (for instance, for the purpose of admission to the bar), than if it should be attempted directly."

This does not mean that *The Crusader* is given a free license to do just whatever it pleases. *The Crusader* is subject to all statutes covering slander as is any other newspaper. Although *The Crusader* can print what it wants, it is completely responsible for it and whatever charges of slander are brought against it.

After discovering all this, we may feel that it might be better to not have a paper at all. However, we can't do that

either. According to the Supreme Court decision in *Kingsley Books, Inc. v. Brown* "For a state to empower its courts to enjoin the dissemination of future issues of a publication because its past issues had been found offensive is the essence of censorship, and is unconstitutional." This means that to discontinue a publication because you haven't liked it in past issues is the same as censorship and, as demonstrated above, is unconstitutional.

We must all live within the laws set down by the federal government. I personally feel that the students of our school would best be served by having a set of rigid controls over our two school publications. However, I feel that is our first obligation to conform to the laws of our country and guarantee ourselves the basic rights granted us in the Federal Constitution.

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# EDITORIALS

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## Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Is there an integrity problem on campus? Or are there some misunderstandings that are being labeled? It seems that many times when someone comes across a communication problem they do the easy thing and label it. Why can't people take a little time to talk to people and get the facts straight? Biblically, isn't it true that before Christ labeled something He knew what He was saying? Of course He had an advantage but, again with some effort we too can find the facts out.

This brings up a second problem. Why is there so much hostility on campus? I would like to challenge every person who has a problem with someone to go to them and politely ask them if they would like to talk about it. For example, if anyone thinks that there is an integrity problem with the Dean of

Students then go to him and ask him about the specific problem. If you think that there is a better way to handle a situation then offer him your suggestion, talk about it until you are satisfied with his answer: but be careful not to fall prey to the evil hand. That is, don't call his performance inadequate just because you don't like certain circumstances. Make sure that it is wrong. If he is wrong, tell him nicely. Would you expect the same if situations were reversed? It is possible to go over his head - but don't waste your time if you don't have to. In essence the key idea here is to make our authorities accountable, just as we make ourselves or friends accountable. This is the way God calls us to work.

In Rom. 13, Paul talks about being subject to the government. He says in v.1 that all authority is from God and that we must abide by the laws, unless, of course, they

contradict God's. But nowhere does it say that if we follow God's rules instead of our government's that we will not be in subjection to the punishment by our law. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego followed God instead of King Nebuchadnezzar; but did they argue with the punishment? No, they did not. Maybe because by law they had no right to refute. We should thank God for the privilege [sic] He has given us to live in a democratic society. He has given us authorities but has also given us the means to talk about laws and change them. This is not a license to be bitter or ruthless but rather an ability to communicate and change. So let's do two things: 1) Thank God for our system, and 2) Use it to make NNC a better place for all of us.

Sincerely,  
Don Wols

To the Editor:

Through Lori Pleshko's "Rules..." article, I learned that the administration is starting to fulfill a necessary part of its responsibility, that of guardian. One of the primary purposes for founding and continuing NNC was to provide a place to build Christian character in the student while they pursue additional academic training.

Some, such as Robert J. Thompson, would condemn the rules in a Holiness college saying "Holiness is something much larger than obeying rules or adhering to nit-picky behavior codes..." I would agree that Holiness is much, much more. The problem occurs when we try to live up to the rules for the rule's sake rather than the spirit intended. The rules on Student/faculty behavior are the minimums which are acceptable. We should grow from there.

If we, as Christians and students, were fully mature in Christ, we would still need rules of common courtesy. God has given us wise administrators, presently and

through the years, who have set up minimum guidelines and parameters within which we can feel free and secure.

We, as Christians, must be careful that we do not cause another to stumble by our conduct, attitudes, or attire. I have been concerned that some of our students are careless in what they wear. I have heard a pastor from this area say he wouldn't send his children to NNC because there is very little observable difference between NNC and BSU. As Christians, we are to cover our bodies adequately so that the focal point is not the body, but is the face and eyes. *World Book Dictionary* defines "modesty" as: "not calling attention to one's body."

The Student Affairs Office could set a legalistic approach to attire. They could set a modest hem length at, say 7/8 inches above the knee. But that would be hypocritical as I observed such things as the volleyball team's uniforms which are out of place in the dorm halls let alone in public.

The Student Affairs Office set earlier curfew but that's

not necessary. Common courtesy dictates that we show deference to others who may be trying to sleep, by keeping quiet after 10 p.m. (especially near Olsen Apartments and off campus).

The Student Affairs Office could restrict the use of vehicles, especially motorcycles, to those necessary for travel. But that's not required of Christian young adults. They wouldn't drive or ride on the grass, destroying what God has provided through someone's labor of love or endanger themselves and others with exhibitions of speed (and noise).

My point is this: "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." (I Cor. 10:31)

Sincerely,

P.S. Some people need to learn to glorify God and to show deference to others in areas beyond those mentioned such as in the library by not talking, and by showing due respect to the faculty, staff, and other students, and their property.

To the Editor:

I wish to thank everyone who participated in the May 3rd work project. It was a real joy to work with so many people, (students, faculty, staff) who are so anxious to see our campus look better.

There are still a great many areas where we need to provide improvements and we will as soon as either manpower or finances will allow. In the meantime, we can all

To the Editor:

Since my arrival at Northwest Nazarene College in the fall of 1982, I have been discouraged with the quality of entertainment on the campus. I feel that each term the chapel services get better and better. I can worship with ease and I sense that prayer has been an important part of the preparation of each service. On the other hand, I feel that extracurricular enter-

try/Western concert-comedy centered around western attire. When it is laid out, it is not hard to realize that we do not have one variety show centered on Jesus Christ.

I would like to focus my attention on Senior Slick. I propose that NNC break the tradition of Senior Slick and in its place have a Christ centered variety show. There are plenty of able, talented people on campus that have given their talents to the Lord and who do not feel comfortable

help in the building of God's Kingdom.

You may ask, "Why can't we have the Christian variety show without eliminating Senior Slick?" This would never work. There are only so many events that can take place in a term and still be successful. Those who have scheduled events on campus know that there are only a few weekends that it is possible to draw crowds. These are already heavily scheduled.

but Jesus instructed us to make some radical changes. Remember, a tradition is really only three years long when you are talking about a campus. Ask yourself the question, "Am I going to be loyal to a tradition that many kids enjoy, or am I going to be loyal to Jesus Christ?" This proposal is not designed to win a popularity contest. This is designed to challenge you to turn this school a small degree off its present course.

To the Editor:

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staff) who are so anxious to see our campus look better.

There are still a great many areas where we need to provide improvements and we will as soon as either manpower or finances will allow. In the meantime, we can all help to keep our campus looking better if we just take a moment to pick up a bit of trash and carry it to the nearest trash receptacle, or think again about dropping our gum or candy bar wrapper on the ground instead of disposing of it properly.

We are off to a good start; let's keep it going.

Thanks again,  
Ted E. Morgan  
Plant Services Director

pus. I feel that each term the chapel services get better and better. I can worship with ease and I sense that prayer has been an important part of the preparation of each service. On the other hand, I feel that extracurricular entertainment is more than counterbalancing the spiritual influence of those chapels.

NNC has five traditional variety shows: Freshere, a program designed to initiate freshmen by means of poking fun at them; Friday Night Live, a music and comedy show centered on satire; Senior Slick, a rock concert centered around 1960's attire; Malibufest, an outdoor rock concert (a great witness to the community) that centers around fun in the sun; and Kicker Night, a Coun-

tertainment on Senior Slick. I propose that NNC break the tradition of Senior Slick and in its place have a Christ centered variety show. There are plenty of able, talented people on campus that have given their talents to the Lord and who do not feel comfortable performing in our variety shows now. I chose Senior Slick for three reasons. First, I believe it is scheduled at a time of the year that students need a spiritual lift more than ever. Secondly, I feel that Senior Slick is more destructive, spiritually, than any other show on campus. The students get so caught up in the atmosphere they hardly realize where they are. Thirdly, as a senior next year, I would like to leave this school with a new tradition that will

many events that can take place in a term and still be successful. Those who have scheduled events on campus know that there are only a few weekends that it is possible to draw crowds. These are already heavily scheduled.

NNC is not just any college and I know that the students here are not just any students. I know there are many who feel the same way as I do, or at least they used to, but it is easy to get caught in the stream, even if we know it is flowing down hill. It takes little effort to justify something on a Christian campus. If everyone is doing it, it must be alright [sic]. WRONG. I'm asking you to speak up for what you believe. You can make difference [sic]. To change a tradition is radical,

loyal to a tradition that many kids enjoy, or am I going to be loyal to Jesus Christ?" This proposal is not designed to win a popularity contest. This is designed to challenge you to turn this school a small degree off its present course.

I trust you will accept this with a very prayerful attitude from someone who supports NNC 100%. Please consider this proposal and act on it by letting your class officers and the administration know how you feel.

Sincerely,  
Eric Kellerer

I would like to thank those people involved in the clean-up of the "graffiti raid." I think their efforts are reflective of the pride that is shared by the majority of this community. Their actions are commendable and deserve more credit than was given.

Gratefully,  
James T. Christy, Jr.

**If you have an opinion you would like to express, submit a Letter to the Editor, The Crusader, Box C.**

*Roe v. Wade, 1973*

## ABORTION: Anger Flairs but Pain Continues

*by Rich Hume*

Abortion. The very word stirs many preconceived notions in peoples minds. The controversy that currently surrounds this procedure began in 1973 when the Supreme Court issued its *Roe vs. Wade* decision.

To simplify matters the case originated from a conflict arising from an abortion law in the state of Texas. The Texas statute stated that to attempt or procure an abortion, except to save the life of the mother, was a criminal act. Jane Roe, pregnant and unmarried, was unable to have a legal abortion and claimed that the Texas law violated her rights of personal privacy held under the First, Fourth, Fifth, Ninth, and Fourteenth Amendments. After lower court defeats, Roe appealed to the Supreme Court.

The Court overturned the lower courts' rulings in a 7-2 decision. They decided in favor of Roe and struck down most state abortion laws. The

majority opinion of the Court was written by Justice Blackmun, who now at age 76 remains on the court.

For those truly concerned with the abortion issue, the Court's *Roe* decision provides surprising reading. Blackmun began by researching the history of abortion. He found that at the time of the Constitution's writing, abortion was viewed with much less disfavor than it is today. In fact, Blackmun revealed, "At least with respect to the early stage of pregnancy, and very possibly without such limitation, the opportunity to make this choice (abortion) was present in this country well into the 19th century."

Blackmun went on to explain the three major causes for the adoption of strict anti-abortion laws. The first and least mentioned reason was the Victorian social concern to prevent illicit sex. The second, and foremost reason was to protect pregnant women from "submitting to a

procedure that placed her life in serious jeopardy." The final justification for the emergence of these early anti-abortion laws was to protect prenatal life.

The Opinion goes on to state that the illicit sex argument had not been taken seriously by commentators of the court system. The protection of pregnant women's health argument has disappeared because medical advances have made mortality rates for abortion patients lower than for live-birth patients. The protection of prenatal life argument is the most difficult to deal with.

Justice Blackmun continued to recall several past precedents dealing with right to privacy cases. He and the Court combined privacy definitions and constitutional protections of marriage, procreation, contraception, family relationships, and child rearing to show that the 14th and 9th Amendments were "broad enough to en-

compass a woman's decision whether or not to terminate her pregnancy."

Blackmun, however gently, attempted to deal with the issue of the unborn. The Constitution does not define "person" in the narrow terms of conception or birth. However, whenever "person" is mentioned "...the use of the word is such that it has application only post-natally (after live-birth)." Blackmun also cited that earlier abortion practices in this country were freer than today and this "...persuades us (the Court) that the word 'person', as used in the 14th Amendment, does not include the unborn." Blackmun went further with "...Physicians and their scientific colleagues have...tended to focus...upon the interim point at which the fetus becomes 'viable', that is, potentially able to live outside the mother's womb, albeit with artificial aid (7 months, approximately 2nd Trimester)." This "viability"

was used to specify when life began. Nevertheless, "the unborn have never been recognized in the law as persons in the whole sense." Blackmun summed up the "Life" arguments with, "When those trained in the respective disciplines of medicine, philosophy, and theology are unable to arrive at any consensus, the judiciary, at this point in the development of man's knowledge, is not in a position to speculate as to the answer (regarding when life begins)."

The Court's opinion established that qualified abortion was legal. The Court held that in the "stage prior to approximately the end of the first trimester" the abortion decision must be left to the medical judgment of the woman and her physician. The second qualification was, "for the stage subsequent to approximately the end of the first trimester" the state may regulate the abortion procedure "in ways that are

reasonably related to maternal health." The final qualification in the Court's decision was "...for the stage subsequent to viability" the state may prohibit abortion except to save the mother's life. The ruling, simply put, allowed women to terminate pregnancies of up to approximately six months anywhere in the United States. Many states already allowed abortions.

The Court's decision was based upon the established constitutional right of privacy, the lower mortality rates for women who choose abortion as opposed to birth, and the lack of constitutional grounds for protection of prenatal life. The decision was not made by evil judges out to "kill babies." The decision was the reasonable result in a dilemma that pitted the uncertainty of prenatal life against the definite difficulties of constitutional interpretation.

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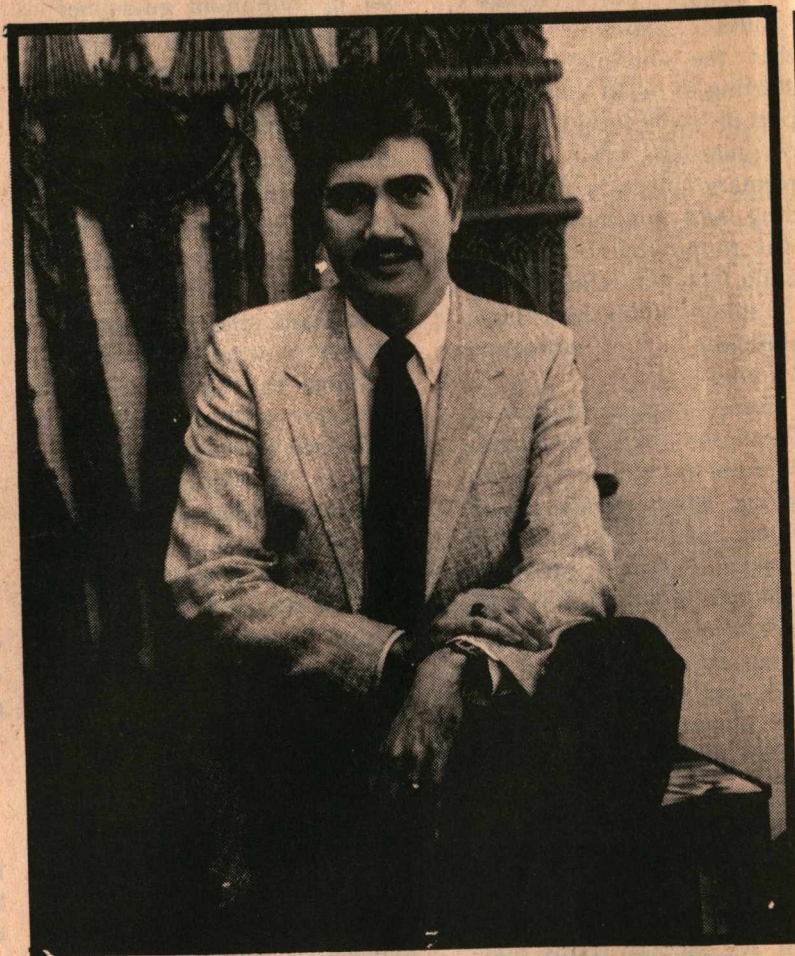
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## LINDLEY FOLLOWS HORIZON

"When I attended NNC as a student, my dream for the future was to come back to NNC and teach. I never planned to live here for the rest of my life, though."

Ray Lindley is leaving the Nampa area to assume a new position in Salem, Oregon. Lindley will be the superintendent of the Salem Academy. Currently, the Academy is comprised of two schools, K-8 and 9-12. This is a Christian school system that has been in operation for forty years and boasts 700 students. According to Lindley, this system offers a good, quality education unlike many of the Christian schools or other private institutions that are around these days. Lindley believes that a Christian education must be at least as rigorous and challenging as a public education.

A variety of factors made this position attractive. The Lindley's have always enjoyed living in that part of the country and had planned to return there at some future date. The Academy is also working to expand. Lindley anticipates working with the system until a specific educational model can be constructed that other schools can be established on. Lindley wants to expand the system north into the Portland area



Ray Lindley, former-Director of Communications and Chairman of Education.

and south into the Willamette Valley and specifically to cities such as Eugene.

When asked what he would miss most about NNC, Lindley replied that the students would be the most difficult thing to leave. Although, admittedly, he has not worked as closely with students in the past few years, he has not been

totally isolated. Interaction with students has been a definite highlight in Lindley's career here.

Is NNC experiencing the end of an era? Frankly, no. We are just witnessing the growth and progress of a career.

## SHEA

The Idaho Student Member Section of the Idaho Home Economics Association held their spring board meeting on April 19 and 20 at the Ada County Extension Agency in

## Spasmodic Torticollis

A pain in the neck to most people is an uncomfortable temporary annoyance, but to more than 66,000 people across the country, it is a painful, embarrassing and sometimes permanently crippling, little-known disorder called Spasmodic Torticollis (S.T.).

It is a neurological disorder that affects the muscles of the neck causing the head to pull, turn or jerk toward the shoulder. Although caused by a dysfunction of the brain, its symptoms are limited to sustained or intermittent voluntary contractions of the muscles around the neck which control the position of the head.

Some patients also experience shaking movements of the head or arms.

If you are old enough to remember the old *Ed Sullivan Show* on TV, you may recall one of his characteristics was the way his head seemed to tilt to one side. According to some sources, Sullivan was a victim of S.T.

One of the big problems with having this disease, as Christine Lawitzke of Warren, Michigan, founder of the only self-help group for S.T. in the country will attest, is that its obscurity makes correct diagnosis difficult.

Mrs. Lawitzke was 31 years old and the mother to two young sons when she became afflicted in 1977. She said that, like most victims of this disease, she went from doctor to doctor, trying to get a diagnosis and help.

When the disease was finally diagnosed, she looked

S.T. patients have to learn little tricks to avoid embarrassment when out in public. Mrs. Lawitzke wears a shoulder-strap bag when she goes out.

"If your neck goes out, you can put your hand there like you are holding your bag and support your neck that way," she explains.

After her own diagnosis, she began to wonder where people could go for help since so little was known about S.T. And she wondered how many other sufferers there were locally and nationally.

She established the first self-help group in 1980, calling it Project S.T., and became its first president and jack-of-all-trades.

As others learned of the organization it grew to over 200 members and meets monthly at Peace Lutheran Church in Warren to hear speakers and exchange information.

In her search for information, Mrs. Lawitzke says, she wrote to medical centers and associations all over the country and world. She found very few doctors interested in treatment and research on S.T. One of them, Dr. John Gilroy, chief of neurology for Harper-Grace Hospitals in the Detroit Medical Center, established

the first clinic specifically for S.T.

The clinic is run by Dr. Paul A. Cullis, whom Mrs. Lawitzke describes as "a Dr. Welby."

"He is right there when you need him," she says. "He is understanding and compassionate."

Dr. Cullis is hopeful about the treatment of S.T.

"There is no definite cure and each patient is different, but we can make the symptoms less severe. Physical therapy and (specific) drugs can help," he says. "We find that surgery is not very helpful to most people (with S.T.) and can have side effects."

He added that the clinic does research but has a difficult time procuring funds because of the obscurity of the disease compared with others. Income from clinic visits and other sources, such as grants, fund the research.

"Victims of S.T. are afraid to go out because they think people are staring at them," he says, "but most patients can be helped."

Mrs. Lawitzke feels that besides proper medical treatment, people with S.T. need the interaction with other sufferers that Project S.T. offers.

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The question of abortion is a difficult one and no harsh slogans or angry demonstrations can truly find a merciful answer to the pain of the abortion option. No one likes or enjoys abortion, those who uphold it - uphold abortion as an alternative but not as the best of all possible choices. If we as a society eliminate the abortion choice, are we prepared to withstand the social/economic responsibility to take care of the mothers and children that result?

The unanswerable question of the beginning of life is also

central to the issue. Do we undertake the burden of protecting all potential life? At what point does the seed become a plant? We can answer these questions no easier than we can explain the relationship of God and the creation of evil.

This writer will not pretend to know the answer to the abortion question. However, an issue so vital, so controversial must be looked at with a conscious effort to remedy all of its resulting problems. Failure to make that effort by many shows their interest in demagoguery and disinterest in solution.

The Idaho Student Member Section of the Idaho Home Economics Association held their spring board meeting on April 19 and 20 at the Ada County Extension Agency in Boise. One of the topics discussed was the planning of the Fall Convention which will be held in Cour d'Alene this October. Representatives from NNC, Ricks, ISU and U of I conducted the meeting.

The installation of officers was conducted by Lisa Hoyle, outgoing treasurer and Debbie Thompson, outgoing secretary. Mary Hoalst was installed as the incoming secretary for 1985-86.

afflicted in 1977. She said that, like most victims of this disease, she went from doctor to doctor, trying to get a diagnosis and help.

When the disease was finally diagnosed, she looked it up in a medical book and was "devastated" to find it might persist for life.

"It's not the worst affliction in the world," admits Mrs. Lawitzke, "but it changes your life. It makes tasks that were routine difficult. To peel potatoes or carrots, for instance, I have to lean my head on the cupboard door to support it. It even affects your love life."



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## BERTHA DOOLEY WRITING CONTEST WINNERS

### FIRST PLACE ESSAY

by Debbie Turley

Theoretically, the Church of the Nazarene maintains that men and women are equal. However, in reality, an analysis of the current roles of leadership in the church indicates that men's abilities are of greater importance than women's. This sentiment is apparent in the most important divisions of the Nazarene church: local, district, general and educational.

On the local level the most evident role dominated by men is that of the pastor. There are very few female ministers in the Church of the Nazarene. When women do pastor, they work in small home mission churches or they must share the title of pastor with a man (usually with the man receiving a higher salary).

Likewise, the church board - the governing body of the local church - is dominated by men. It is this attitude supporting male authority at the local level which promotes dominance at the district and general levels, also. Of all the district superintendents and six general superintendents, there is not one woman! Nevertheless, what seems most unfortunate is that a co-educational institution would be so shortsighted as to accept male dominance. Northwest Nazarene College currently

church board and the overseeing pastoral staff. But an objective examination yields a startling fact; the church is exactly 50% Caucasian and 50% American Negro. However, the entire church board and pastoral staff is Caucasian! The situation is much less hypothetical than imagined.

Last summer I spent time working with a couple trying to break the sexist stigma. They worked as a team pastoring their small Nazarene church. All responsibilities were shared equally: the kids, the house, administrative church work, outreach and preaching. I listened to both of them preach and realized them to be educated and sincere disciples of God's Word. Their different styles of preaching seemed to be an asset to the ministry.

Although the congregation originally agreed to the co-pastor arrangement, it was evident that their views were changing regarding the female pastor's status in the church. One lady's outburst seemed to summarize [sic] the restlessness of the entire church: "A woman's place is in the home! A man's place is in the pulpit! I will not listen to that woman preach...it's un-biblical!"

pointments must be decided on the basis of abilities; any positions filled because of sex are wrong. Even Paul, who's [sic] epistles are filled with comments regarding women in congruence with his culture, writes: "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:28 NIV).

Not long ago I applied for a job at a local Nazarene church. There were two openings - Jr. High Director and Sr. High Director. The initial interviewer asked two young men and myself to come for a final interview with a personnel committee. After meeting with the committee (which was composed of all men), I was told: "You are a very capable young lady and you would do a good job. But we have chosen the men to fill both positions because we feel teenage boys need a Christian male role-model, whereas teenage girls will stay in the church without a role model."

Whatever the bottom-line of the committee's statement may have been, the discriminatory [sic] attitude is blatantly evident not only toward me, but toward women in general. Women are a captured audience who

take full advantage of the capabilities and potentials of all its congregation. It is a disadvantage to any organization not to use the abilities of its members in the right capacities. God has given each of us special gifts to be use [sic] in His service and when these are not used correctly the church becomes that disadvantaged organization.

We, the church, have been called together to build the Body of Christ. First Corinthians 12:12, 16-18 says: "The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ...If the ear should say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,' it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he [sic] wanted them to be."

Yet, it seems as though the church as [sic] said, "That woman is an eye; we need not see" or, "That woman is a right ear; we will compensate [sic] with the left one." No! The church has been

If I Were More Aware of Things

*If I were more aware of things -  
Some other forms far from my own;  
I'd look into a garden sown  
with tulips! And there I'd see  
Colored in freshness: Royalty.  
I'd leave myself behind*

And  
GO!

*Into those roots, that stem-small tree  
To glow with wet green energy.  
I'd early morning crown my head  
With fiery, bright, explosive red;  
And greet my rising father-sun  
And taste a life so parted from*

My  
Own  
World

*If I were aware of things.*

by Patti McLellan

With Liberty and Justice For All

*It had all begun so well  
Bumble-bee childhood, tree climbing and all  
Spiders in jars, slingshots, pebble-filled pockets.*

*New dolls on shelves--dust-collecting--  
Gave me away, though  
Even then, gave me away.*

*Scolded for dirt-stained dresses, skinned knees  
They sent me to school hoping I'd learn  
Some manners, some skills. Heart...*

six general superintendents, there is not one woman! Nevertheless, what seems most unfortunate is that a co-educational institution would be so shortsighted as to accept male dominance. Northwest Nazarene College currently has one woman on its board of forty regents and has no women administrators! The Church of the Nazarene should place more women in key positions of leadership.

It is not my intent to argue the obvious fact that men and women are equal, rather that the church must acknowledge the fact that they are not treating men and women equally. By reserving leadership for men, the church is ostracizing women in a prejudicial manner. By placing more women in leadership roles the Church of the Nazarene will take a definite stand against sexist prejudice.

Some may think that prejudice is a strong word to use when defining the woman's current role - or lack of role - in the church. However, let us picture a nice average-sized Nazarene church in a quiet middle class setting. The church is smoothly run by its local

church. One lady's outburst seemed to summarize [sic] the restlessness of the entire church: "A woman's place is in the home! A man's place is in the pulpit! I will not listen to that woman preach...it's un-biblical!"

Unfortunately that one individual's exclamation seems to state our denomination's opinion. It is not uncommon to hear such an opinion voiced by pastors and church members alike. But the Church of the Nazarene must look closely at the life of Jesus to discover His attitude toward women. By reaching out to women, Jesus stood against the tide of His culture which degraded them. Jesus made a profound statement of equality when he spoke to the woman at the well and used her to influence an entire city. Jesus defended Mary's costly burial gift against the raging disciple. And it is no coincidence that Mary Magdala was the first person Jesus revealed Himself to after rising on the third day. It was through a woman the disciples heard the joyous news of His resurrection.

The church must examine its reasons for limiting female leadership. All leadership ap-

Whatever the bottom-line of the committee's statement may have been, the discriminatory [sic] attitude is blatantly evident not only toward me, but toward women in general. Women are a captured audience who will maintain status quo without role models. But the key seems to be the word "status quo". When will the church awaken to the fact that women will never again be [sic] content with simply "maintaining status quo"?

Society's view of women is changing because women's roles are changing. Women are now succeeding in technical, medical, law and business vocations. For significant models of women who are developing their full potentials, young people must look outside the institution of the church. It is a false assumption that young men do not need significant role models. Contrarily, in our fast-paced and fast-changing society it is of utmost importance that they have Godly women in key positions of leadership within the church after which they may pattern their lives.

Also, the Church of the Nazarene should place more women in leadership so as to

be." Yet, it seems as though the church as [sic] said, "That woman is an eye; we need not see" or, "That woman is a right ear; we will compensate [sic] with the left one." No! The church has been commanded to use all of its parts. For too long women have accepted their destiny as pew-fillers, piano players and pre-school teachers. Of course these are good things, but if a woman accepts the role simply because she is not allowed to use her gifts of teaching, preaching or administering, then the church is at fault.

It will benefit [sic] society, women and the church itself, when the church realizes they must place more women in key positions of leadership. It is only in this context we can accept each other - free from all stereotypes. We will be able to point our children toward Godly people - men and women - who lead our church in a spirit of unity. By accepting the women who have gifts and capabilities of leadership, the Church of the Nazarene will truly begin to understand the concept of working together as the very Body of Christ.

New acts on shelves - just collecting -  
Gave me away, though  
Even then, gave me away.

Scolded for dirt-stained dresses, skinned knees  
They sent me to school hoping I'd learn  
Some manners, some skills. How to be useful.  
Sitting at desks--pouring over books--I learned  
Bluecoats fought for liberty  
To handle slaves without  
British intervention  
They sent me to church--Sundays twice and  
Wednesdays  
Sitting in woody pews, I heard preachers  
of glory

The meek shall inherit all if  
With both cheeks turned they  
Submit, submit, submit  
I learned one thing those years--humility.  
No. To cast doubts on all thoughts, feelings,  
deeds.  
Now I sit--pondering sedating promises  
Making goals of dim, distant stars--  
Of what should be rights.

If the insects should someday  
Inherit this mealy earth  
I'd wish the bee queen to rule.

by Ginger Rinckenberger

## After All We Had Together **Honorable Mention**

Hey lady!  
I didn't get your na...  
...name. Well, goodbye.  
Are you in the book,  
Somewhere under "m" or "t"?  
You shouldn't have run off like that!  
Just think how the children will feel.  
Alright, so we aren't married yet,  
but who knows after a few dates...  
we could've had a dog named peaches  
who would make puddles on the floor  
so I could smack her with a rolled up newspaper;  
We would have paid off a mortgage  
and set up IRA accounts.  
The grandchildren will be the most disappointed  
And I still think Arizona is not such a bad place to retire.  
You really did it this time!  
After all we had together,  
I didn't expect a divorce.

by David Odell

Come on out and play with me  
Everything is fantasy  
Reality's our enemy  
Dreams can set us free

Reality is full of madness  
Everyone is living sadness  
Men escape towards the abyss  
To seek and find nothingness  
Love surrenders, so does hate  
No one cares, they follow fate  
Black is black, but grey is blue  
Back on earth, nothing's new  
Circles race inside the brain  
So tip the glass and let them drain  
When they're gone you'll feel alright,  
Let's run free until it's light

Come on out and play with me  
Everything is fantasy  
Reality's our enemy  
Dreams will set us free

**Escape**  
by Michael Greear

## This Heart of Mine

This heart of mine,  
Though small it be,  
In some strange way  
Moves all of me.  
From it flows  
My inmost self,  
Sometimes saint  
Or impish elf.  
Who can hold  
This heart of mine  
To keep it safe  
Through all of time?  
God who made it,  
Though small it be,  
Through this heart  
Owns all of me.

by Linda Thorpe

# BERTHA DOOLEY WRITING CONTEST WINNERS

## FIRST PLACE SHORT STORY

by Jay Sloan

I reached out and smacked Amber on the nose, pushing her over onto the floor. She raised her paws and looked at me sheepishly.

"Let her be!" said Grandma, "It's no use to hit her."

"She won't be quiet, Gramma," I complained. "She keeps howling."

"She can't help it. It's that train; it makes her lonesome."

I looked down at Amber. Dad always said she howled at trains because the whistle hurt her ears. Lonesome? But the, Grandma always said funny things.

Amber still lay there looking hurt, and I felt mean. How long do dogs live anyway? Dad says they age seven years for every one that a person lives. I didn't want her to die right then, so I hugged her and kissed her on the nose. She forgave me.

Jean was in the kitchen playing Pots and Pans. Grandma didn't have a T.V. so we made up games when we came to stay with her. Pots and Pans was Jean's favorite. You got out all of Grandma's pots and pretended to cook for her. She didn't mind; she wasn't a fussy grandma.

Jean came in with Grandma's big metal pan and a spoon. "Here Gramma, taste."

"Grandma tasted, 'What is it?'"

"It's soup."

"Hmm. Not bad but it needs more sugar. Put some more sugar in it." Grandma

either side. The blankets smelled funny, like medicine, like the medicine Grandma rubbed on her forehead when she had a headache. I could just see Jean in the dark. Grandma's hairpins and the comb-thing she used to hold her hair up were on the table behind her.

"What's the matter?" I asked in a whisper.

She just sat there, staring around her.

"You're going to wake Gramma up," I warned.

She didn't answer. I touched her arm but she didn't seem to notice.

"Hey, wake up. Jean are you asleep?"

She was still acting funny.

"Gramma, I think Jean is sick," I said aloud.

"What?" said Grandma waking up.

"Jean's sitting up in bed and she won't look at me."

An hour later Grandma was still rocking Jean on her lap. It had taken her a while to wake up, then she had started to cry. Grandma took her into the living room and sat down with her in the rocking chair. Jean went back to sleep and I could hear Grandma praying.

I slipped out of bed and looked out of the bedroom door. Grandma and Jean were rocking back and forth. The chair creaked, and I could hear the little blue flame in the furnace flickering. The room smelled

was hot. Jean must have had another spell. Epilepsy, they said. I remembered her sleeping at the doctor's office with all those wires on her head. An EEG. I never did see how she could fall asleep in a doctor's office. I couldn't remember what EEG meant, and I fell asleep trying to figure it out.

"We can have three rows of corn and three rows of beans, and still have a row for some tomatoes," my Mom figured.

"We ought to put in a few more rows of beans," said Grandma frowning. "They go further."

"Let's plant some lettuce and radishes, too," I said.

"I had this whole place in garden once, when the kids were little. It was all planted, right up to the back door. I never bothered with those little things, though. Didn't go far enough to mess with."

"Mom, do you remember Madge Walters? What did she tell you that time about her garden?" my Dad asked smiling.

"Law, yes! It's a wonder she told it. She said she planted her garden one day, and it was up the next. You never could believe a word she said. Poor old woman."

"She always came visiting around dinner time," my Dad prompted.

"Along about five o'clock you'd see her come out on her porch and look up and down the street. Deciding who she

She'd a stopped coming when she found out she wasn't going to get any food."

"I would have said something, but John wouldn't have it you know. He couldn't say a mean word to nobody. Got taken advantage of plenty of times for it, too."

"Mrs. Elton was just about like her. Dirty, too."

"She came to visit one day," said Grandma thinking back. "She sat right there on the couch, and while we was talking I saw a bedbug crawling in her hair! Oh, ain't that something? I looked the place over careful after she left, I can tell you!"

"I always liked Mr. Elton. What was that expression he always used? 'I was a fixin to go to town just t'other day,'" He quoted. "T'other day," Dad laughed.

"He had an awful pretty voice, though."

"Yes, he did. One time he went out back to comb his old horse. Bob, he called him. He started singing 'In the Sweet Bye and Bye.' Mom was listening by the door and she said, 'Ain't that pretty!' About that time the horse stepped on his foot and he started cussing up a storm." Dad laughed again, and Grandma covered her mouth and laughed embarrassedly.

"Awful pretty voice, though," she said. "Poor old fellow. Made me lonesome to hear it."

It got quiet for a minute.

"Say, Mom. Do you

baby?"

"No, Grandma. I'm too big to be a baby anymore."

"Oh, you're not too big."

"Yes, Grandma. I've been too big for about 15 years now." I don't know why that always bothered me. "How you feeling, Grandma?"

"Oh, pretty good, pretty good. Getting lonesome for home, though."

"Well, you're getting better all the time. You'll be able to go home as soon as the doctor says its o.k.," I lied. She was too much for Mom to take care of anymore.

"Doctor! Why I ain't seen him in weeks and weeks! Just trying to run up a big bill for himself, that's all."

"No, Grandma. I don't think he'd do that." I switched to a safer topic. "Has Tim or Sarah been down to see you?"

"No, I don't think so." She thought a second. "I ain't seen them if they have."

I wheeled Grandma into the visiting lounge, turned her around, and took a chair in front of her.

"You been up to the old home place?" she asked.

She was thinking of West Virginia again. It must be at least 60 years since she left there. "No, I was only back there once, when I was little. Don't you remember driving all the way back there?"

"Oh,...yeah," she said thoughtfully.

It got quiet for a while. There wasn't much to talk

I glanced at my watch. 15 minutes.

"Say, is Polly dead now?"

Her sister. "Yes, I think she died a couple of years ago, Grandma."

"I wonder why nobody ever wrote to tell me?"

They had. They had even sent her one of those awful pictures of her in her coffin like they take down South. Why would anybody want a picture of someone lying in their coffin?

"Well, I guess I'd better get going."

"What! You don't need to run off! Stay and I'll fix you something to eat."

"No, I've already eaten. I left some clothes in the washer, and I've got to stop by the store before it closes."

I wheeled her back out into the hallway.

"One of the nurses will be down to put you to bed pretty soon. I imagine your back's getting tired. Mom and Dad will be back tomorrow night to see you."

"They don't know I'm in here, do they?" she asked, getting confused.

"Oh, yes, they know. Well good night, Grandma. I'll see you tomorrow."

"All right. Say, don't forget to pray."

"No, I won't, Grandma."

"Don't never forget to pray. The Lord could come at any time. The most important thing is to stay ready."

"I know, Grandma. Good

spoon. "Here Gramma, taste."

"Grandma tasted, "What is it?"

"It's soup."

"Hmm. Not bad but it needs more sugar. Put some more sugar in it." Grandma reached out and scooped some imaginary sugar off of Jean's head and tossed it into the pot. She tested it again. "That's much better!"

Grandma always said that.

My sister sat up in bed that night. Grandma was in the middle, Jean and I were on

I slipped out of bed and looked out of the bedroom door. Grandma and Jean were rocking back and forth. The chair creaked, and I could hear the little blue flame in the furnace flickering. The room smelled like oil.

"Gramma?"

"What child?"

"Does it make you lonesome to sit in the dark?"

"Law no. Go back to bed, child. She'll be fine. The Lord hears prayer."

I got back into bed. There were too many covers and I

Poor old woman."

"She always came visiting around dinner time," my Dad prompted.

"Along about five o'clock you'd see her come out on her porch and look up and down the street. Deciding who she wanted to try that night," Grandma said confidentially.

"I think I would have pretended I wasn't home," Mom said.

"She wouldn't do me that way now," Dad said firmly. "I'd tell her to have a seat in the living room until the family was done with dinner.

her mouth and laughed embarrassedly. "Awful pretty voice, though," she said. "Poor old fellow. Made me lonesome to hear it."

It got quiet for a minute.

"Say, Mom. Do you remember skinny old Miss Parks? The lady who sang in that little church over on Commercial street? She had a real high-pitched voice, sang like a canary, and Mr. Rogers would accompany her on an old bass drum. That little church, right over there where that store used to be. She sang, and he hit the drum. Boom! Boom! She couldn't sing a lick."

I came home from school Friday afternoon, after my last class. I didn't really want to, but Dad had more or less insisted. He didn't want the dog to have to stay outside all weekend while they were gone. Tell me he hasn't spoiled her rotten.

The cat and dog were glad to see me, though. That, or they just wanted in the house. The cat rolled over and the dog licked me in the face. I hate dogs that lick. It was pretty quiet at home, but at least I would be able to get some homework done.

Mom called. Dad wanted me to be sure and go see Grandma for a little while. Mom said I didn't have to stay long, maybe twenty minutes.

The funny lady who shares Grandma's room met me at the door. She isn't all that old, in fact she never really grew up. Mentally, she has the mind of a four year old. Mom always brings her a cookie or something, but I had forgotten.

"Hi, Doris," I said as I walked by her rather quickly. "When they coming back?" she asked, childlike.

"Mom and Dad?"

"Yeah."

"Tomorrow night."

Grandma was wheeling herself down one of the halls, heading towards her room. I came up beside her.

"Hi, Grandma."

She looked up. "Well, there's my boy. You still my

there. "No, I was only back there once, when I was little. Don't you remember driving all the way back there?"

"Oh,...yeah," she said thoughtfully.

It got quiet for a while. There wasn't much to talk to Grandma about anymore. The weather, and the past.

"Say, did you milk the cows?" she asked finally.

I sighed. "Yes, before I came to see you."

"How's Bill doing?"

Her brother. He died at least ten years ago. "I don't know. They don't write much from back East anymore."

"No."

to pray.

"No, I won't, Grandma."

"Don't never forget to pray. The Lord could come at any time. The most important thing is to stay ready."

"I know, Grandma. Good night." I walked away.

"Good night, doll," she called after me.

I walked quickly back down the hall, the way I had come in. Doris was still sitting there by the front door. I smiled at her as I left. The stars were winking in the cold night air. I spotted Orion high overhead.

Lonesome, I thought. Lonesome.

## Final Concert In Series

by Frank Powell

The audience of the final concert of the 1984-85 Nampa Concert Series was delighted by the brilliantly executed chamber music of the Los Angeles Piano Quartet. The Quartet "gave a performance that positively danced with joy." (The BBC Listener, England). The Quartet presented piano quartet arrangements from such composers as Mozart, Schumann and Brahms. More than skill or showmanship, the performance was an expression of chamber music as an art form.

Individually, the players were James Bonn (not Bond), Clayton Haslop, Ronald

Copes, and Peter Rejto, playing respectively the piano, violin, viola and cello. The members of The Quartet have impressive credentials as solo performers and teachers. The special musical identity of the Los Angeles Piano Quartet is a result the combination of outstanding musical expertise and dedication to the "rare art of piano and strings" which marks them as "one of the country's top chamber ensembles."

Founded in 1977 with the express encouragement of Neville Marriner, The Quartet made its debut at the Music Center in Los Angeles to enthusiastic critical ac-

claim. Since that time, they have been rapidly gaining recognition as "a major force in the American chamber music scene." In 1982-83, The Los Angeles Piano Quartet had performed in more than 35 U.S. cities. The coming season will bring their official New York debut in Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center.

Although the Nampa Concert Series is finished for this year, the proposed 1985-86 schedule is already available. The four performances are The Calgary Boys Choir, The Rodoliers, a male trio, Delphin and Romain, duo pianists, and The Muhlfield Trio, a clarinet trio.

## College Artists To Expose


by Frank Powell

"Creations of the Mind," this year's senior art exhibit will be coming to the Student Center Lounge June 3-9. The senior art exhibit is a collection of the finest works, many made especially for this exhibition, of this year's graduating art majors. The works, all original, are done in a wide variety of media, including clay (functional and nonfunctional pottery, sculpture), oil, pen and ink, charcoal and pencil. A wide

variety of subjects and styles promises to attract a wide variety of interests. The exhibits will not only be present for viewing, but will be on sale. The five seniors whose works will be featured are James Colvin, Kerri Calder, LaRae Cooke, Linda Packard, and Carol Pratt.

The purposes of the exhibit is not only to fulfill the senior seminar requirement for art majors, but to recognize significant achievements in

the area of original art. The exhibit serves to show NNC's student body the quality work coming out of its art department. NNC's art department is small and receives little recognition, but work on par with that of larger institutions is consistently coming out of it. So while taking a break from finals next week, take a few minutes to look in at the exhibit or even buy an NNC original.



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# SPORTS

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## Long Season Ends With Awards



Starting bottom row from left to right: Chris Chandler, Jeff Shea, Steve Metcalfe, Tim Fulwood, Warren Kolz. Top row from right to left: Coach Ed Castledine, Kevin Engelhardt, Dan Edwards, Bruce Weatherford, Rick Young, Dan Tristan, Paul Bryan, Frank Negrete.

by Grant Henry

Although it was a struggle to win games at times for this year's baseball team, a look back will find several good things that happened this season for the Crusaders.

First, the improvement in the team could be seen visibly as the season progressed, as the Crusaders won several games in the last few weeks of the season and could have won more with one or two more pitchers. The team's attitude stayed solid throughout the season, and in April and May results began to be realized.

There were also some fine individual performances by some seniors this year. Bruce Weatherford, a pitcher and outfielder, led the team in hits and RBI's, and was named Most Valuable Player for the Crusaders this year. He received a four-year award

evening. Edwards also was named Most Improved Player and Outstanding Pitcher, as he, along with Weatherford and Frank Negrete, were the most consistent pitchers for NNC this year. Negrete, the Crusaders' captain, who split his time between pitcher and catcher, was also named Most Inspirational. Other seniors instrumental in the Crusaders' games this year included third baseman Dan Tristan, an All Conference honorable mention selection, and Engelhardt. In addition to Edwards, Weatherford was named 1st team All Conference and 2nd team All District, and Engelhardt was named 2nd team All Conference.

As one looks ahead to next year, it is going to be another rebuilding year, as vital players on this year's team will not be returning.

Topstop Mike Hurley and second baseman Jeff Shea, and left fielder Tim Fulwood and center fielder Steve Metcalfe. In addition, two pitchers who were injured some or most of this year, juniors Jim Rotter and Rick Young, would give a big boost to the pitching staff if they could do well next year. Other players who will get more playing time next year are junior Warren Kolz, sophomore Paul Bryan, and freshman Chris Chandler. That leaves a large number of places to be filled for next year, not to mention a new coach and assistant. So the Crusaders will have their work cut out for them next year, but 1985's group showed good poise and will down the stretch, which is always a good sign for future seasons.

## 1984-85: Year of Good Sport

by Grant Henry

In the school year 1984-85, there were enough interesting sports events in the world to give a few special notice. Here are some of the highlights of the year.

October 1984 -- Chicago's Walter Payton breaks the NFL all-time rushing record set by Jim Brown. Franco Harris, the other man who had a chance at breaking Brown's record, faded with alarming quickness after joining the Seattle Seahawks.

Rookies led their respective major leagues in strikeouts for the first time in recent memory. They were Dwight Gooden, a 19 year-old phenom with the New York Mets, and Seattle's Mark Langston.

The Detroit Tigers became the first team since the 1927 Yankees to lead from the first game of the season through the World Series, where they easily defeated the San Diego Padres.

December 1984 -- Eric Dickerson of the L.A. Rams

breaks O.J. Simpson's season rushing record of 2,003 yards, sparking questions concerning Dickerson's advantage of playing in a longer season than did Simpson.

The BYU Cougars defeated Michigan in the Holiday Bowl to win the national college football championship. It was the first time in recent memory that a champion had not been crowned by winning a big bowl game on New Year's Day. BYU had played what many considered to be a patsy schedule in going undefeated, and the argument for some kind of playoff or tournament for post-season college football grew.

January 1985 -- The San Francisco 49ers defeated the Miami Dolphins in the 49ers own backyard to win pro football's Super Bowl, for the second time in four years. The 49ers also set a record for regular season wins with 15.

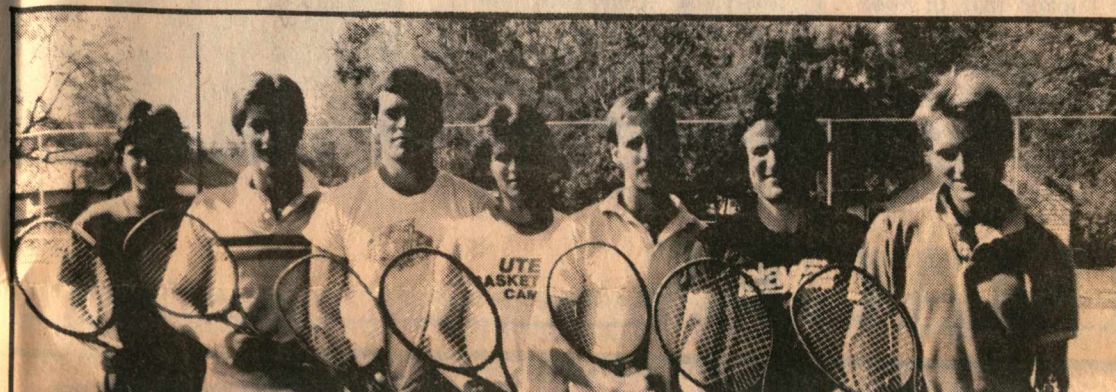
March 1985 -- New professional baseball commissioner Peter Ueberroth

reinstated former New York stars Mickey Mantle and Willie Mays to the professional baseball organization.

April 1985 -- Villanova defeated Georgetown to win the NCAA basketball championship, shooting an unheard-of 79% from the field en route to the win over their Big East rival.

In what had been billed as the fight of the decade, Marvelous Marvin Hagler knocked out Detroit's Thomas Hearns in the third round to retain his undisputed middleweight boxing title. It was probably eight of the most brutally fought minutes in boxing history.

May 1985 -- Danny Sullivan completed his climb to the top in Indy-car racing, winning the Indy 500 auto race by little over two seconds ahead of Mario Andretti, despite going into a complete spin at one point midway through the race.

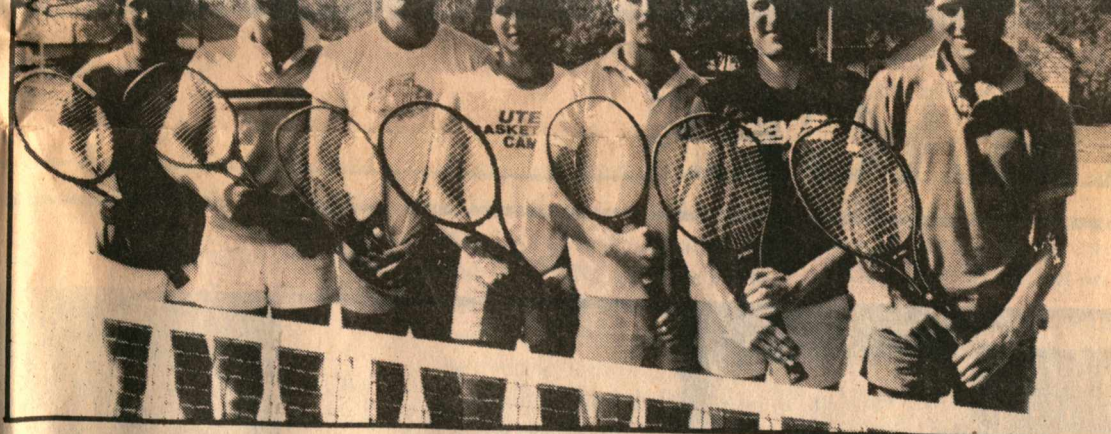


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As one looks ahead to next year, it is going to be another rebuilding year, as vital players on this year's team will not be returning. Starters returning next year (there are only four) will be the cornerstone combination of shor-

Crusaders will have their work cut out for them next year, but 1985's group showed good poise and will down the stretch, which is always a good sign for future seasons.



From left to right: Steve Caven, Robb Warwick, Mike Davidson, Mike Caven, Rob Cook, Clark Barclay, Greg Belzer.

## Tennis Teams Have Fine Season

by Grant Henry

The NNC men's and women's tennis teams have completed what may be termed successful seasons. Several individuals in particular had very fine years to contribute to the overall good season of both teams.

Success was especially true for the girls, who went to the District tournament for the first time in four years under Coach Peggy Wheeler, who was a player the last time the Crusaders went to district. All of the players had a hand in the team's fine year. Sophomore Kris Rees was an All-District selection. Anita Tilzey was named Most Valuable Player, and Amy

Merrick was Most Improved. Michelle Jones, Nachele Robert, and Debbie Ulrey were the top three singles players for the Crusaders this spring.

Next year looks only better for the women's team, as the possibility of everyone returning has them excited.

The men also did well at district, with a couple of timely upsets, including an unexpected first round win by the third doubles team of Rob Cook and Mike Davidson. For the season, number one player Mike Caven was named Most Valuable Player, and number two player Greg Belzer was Most Improved.

The other two players were Steve Caven and Robb Warwick. All had good seasons under the watchful eye of Myron Finkbeiner, who stepped in as coach and did a fine job. The nucleus of the team will be back next year as well.

Hopefully a new tradition of tennis power has been started at NNC. Certainly it looks that way now.



From left to right: Nachele Roberts, Coach Peggy Wheeler, Amy Merrick, Michelle Jones, Kris Rees, Anita Tilzey, Debbie Ulrey.

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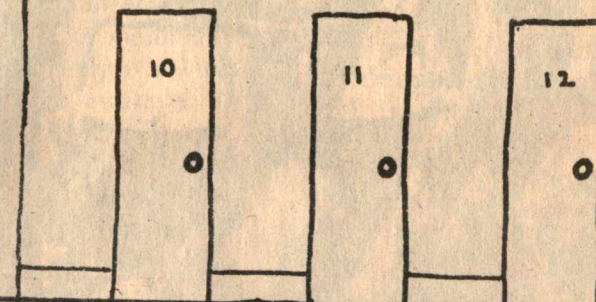
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Bottom row left to right: Scott Wallace, Randy Maves, David Rogers, Doug Edwards, John Oord, Ron Richards. Back row left to right: Coach Paul Taylor, Marty Donaldson, Steve Yerger, Mark Wright, Hank Wyborney, Jim Morris, Mark Young, Mike Gilbert.

## Winter Athletes Earn Awards

In addition to fine performances this spring by several athletes, some individuals from the fall and winter sports were awarded at the banquet Tuesday night for fine seasons.

In men's soccer, senior captain and defenseman Stan Pickell was named Most Valuable Player, and he received a four-year award along with Eric Hoyle and Derek Bauder. Pickell was also an All-District selection. Bauder was also named Most Inspirational, and freshman Joel Rimmer was named Most Improved. Jeff Schatz, a forward and captain, and goalie Jeff Carr were All-District selections. The team will look forward to a good season next year, as many fine players return.

In women's volleyball, sophomore Lisa Keesler was named Most Valuable Player. Senior Connie Collinge was named Most Inspirational, and Sandy Forseth was Most Improved. In addition, captain Taffy Wilson and senior Carol Pratt were Honorable All-Conference selections. As with soccer, most of the players return next year, which could mean a strong season for volleyball at NNC.

In wrestling, sophomore captain Ken Lewis was named Most Valuable player, and junior captain Kim Wannamaker was named Most Inspirational. Freshman Clark Moore was Most Improved, and Mike Lawson received a four-year award.

In women's basketball, captain Julie Uranga was

named Most Valuable Player. Sophomore Maaïke Thompson was named Most Inspirational, and junior guard LaDeana Weigelt was Most Improved. Senior guard Brenda Labrum was named first team All-Conference and All-District, and senior guard Candy Wilson was an All-District Honorable Mention selection. Senior center Tara Holstine led the team in rebounding and field goal percentage. In contrast to the previous three sports, the team loses four key players to graduation.

In men's basketball, senior transfer Lebro Bates was named Most Valuable Player and was an All-District selection, averaging over 22 points per game. Senior guard Dan Tristan was named Most Inspirational and received a four-year award. Senior guard and captain Kerry Fulcher received the other four-year award. The other captain, senior guard Tony Stone, was an Honorable Mention All-District selection along with Robb Warwick, who was Most Improved on the ballclub. It is easy to see that the guard position will be most depleted by this year's graduation, but otherwise the team should be in pretty good shape for next year.

These players should be congratulated for their fine performances this year, and for those returning next year, continued successes are in store.

## Track Finishes Good Season

The men's and women's track and field teams had a typical year: they were short on numbers, but some fine performances by those who did participate.

The women's captain was sophomore Karen Carpenter, who set a school record in the javelin. Shana Galloway was named Most Valuable Player, and Chris Chua was Most Improved. Freshman Holly Duncan was named Most Inspirational. Galloway also received the four-year award. Other track members included Melinda Carter, Jana Zellmer, Diana Fitz, and Clydine Tucker. All of the women worked hard and were able to realize some of their goals later in the season.

On the men's side, senior captain Ron Richards received the four-year award.

Sophomore Mike Gilbert was named Most Valuable Player, with a strong finish in the District decathlon at NNC. Hank Wyborney was named Most Inspirational; he also added a few inches to his school shot put record he originally broke last year. John Oord was Most Improved largely because of finding an event (the steeplechase) which suits him perfectly; he set a school record in the event and was an All-District selection. The 1600-meter relay team of Randy Maves, Mike Henderson, Steve Yerger, and Mike Gilbert also nearly broke the school record in that event several times. Others who had strong years included Steve Curl, Doug Edwards, David Rogers, Scott Wallace, Marty Donaldson, Mark Young, and

DeWayne Williams.

Overall, it was a fine season for NNC track and field, and next year there will be a large group of returnees in both men's and women's competition.



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