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Column One

Here's the biggest issue of The Crusader you will probably ever see, or care to see for that matter. It's 28, count it, 28 pages of goodness.

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Once again this year, there seems to be the problem of approximately 98% of the NNU population sitting home wishing they were at the banquet with that special someone. The guys typically don't care about the formal dinner, and the girls sit in their dorm rooms growing ever so hostile while coming up with schemes to get back at the male gender (i.e. running them over with their cars and/or writing articles about how stupid they are in the school newspaper. Then the guys get confused and upset when the girls start attacking them for their lack of assertiveness.

The result? Everybody is mad, and 98% of the student body remains dateless. Are girls' expectations too high? It seems they all want a guy like Jimmy Smits. The guys are trying, but it's hard to live up to Jimmy Smits' standards.



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Loving and tutoring go hand in hand

by Sarah Pearson Crusader Campus Staff Writer

Do you like elementary age kids? Are you good at remedial math, English, history and such? Are you looking for a ministry club to join? If so, then you might try the Homework Club ministry.

The Homework Club is an offshoot from Compassionate Ministries. It is basically for tutoring children from as low as age five to the sixth grade. The club meets in the Student Center every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3:30 - 5:00pm and goes to the Salvation Army here in Nampa. They basically help kids from area elementary schools with their homework.

This is Dora Reeves' second year as president of the Homework Club. "I really do love it. The kids get attached to you and make you feel important. They love us and need us, especially since some of them don't come from the most loving of homes."

This club is open to all majors, anyone who likes kids. Elementary education majors or teaching majors in general might find this club of particular value for experience and something to put on a future resume. If noth-

ing else, you will get experience in handling a classroom setting and working one-on-one with the kids themselves. The ministry would probably also be good for psychology majors and a big plus to social work majors.

The club itself separated from Compassionate Ministries only last year. On average, once it gets up and running, about twenty children come in for help with homework. They are given a snack to begin with. Then each age/ grade goes to its as-

signed room and starts to work on homework. If a student has no homework for the day, the club has files which contain worksheets the kids can do instead, so they will always have something to do.

Speaking from experience, the Homework Club is a richly rewarding experience. If you love helping kids, this is a great ministry to get into. It isn't always about the homework; we some-



are pictured above. The Homework Club goes to the Salvation Army every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to help kids with their homework.

times have parties and contests to encourage the students to keep coming. Many of the very young students cannot read, so we read stories to them instead. One of my favorite memories is of one little girl who could not have been more than five. She kept bringing me book after book to read to her. The kids are very precious.

loves kids or is thinking about working with them in the future to try this club out at least once. Often, the kids themselves pull you in, making you come back again and again. It's great for experience in the classroom if you want to be a teacher, or simply to get to know the kids if you're anything else. If you are interested, contact Dora Reeves at x8505.

I encourage everyone who

Bacterial Meningitis, a serious

by Cheri Marshall Director of Student Health Services

You have probably heard bits of information about the increased risk that college students face of being infected with bacterial meningitis. Within the past few months, this issue has been addressed by many media sources, including an article in USA Today and a special on 20/20 focusing on the subject. Facts are the first necessary step for you to make informed decisions regarding your health and the care that you seek.

The leading cause of bacterial meningitis in young adults in the United States is Meningococcal disease, caused by the bacterium Neisseria meningitidis. It is characterized by an inflammation of the membranes surrounding the brain and spinal cord. The disease strikes about 3,000 Americans each year, leading to death in approximately 10 to 15 percent of the cases. There are five strains or serogroups of N. meningitidis that cause the disease, with serogroup C being most prevalent on college campuses nationwide. The incidence of outbreaks of serogroup C has significantly risen in the past ten years. Bacterial meningitis is far more serious than the more common viral meningitis which presents itself as a flu-like illness that clears up on its own.

USA Today reported "freshman college students living in dorms are six more times as likely to contract the disease as college students overall." Meningococcal bacteria are transmitted through the air via droplets of respiratory secretions and by direct contact with persons infected with the disease. Data suggests certain social behavior such as exposure to passive and active smoking, intimate contact, bar patronage and excessive alcohol consumption may increase students' risk for contracting the dis-

The disease usually peaks in late winter and early spring. It is easily misdiagnosed, because symptoms are similar to the flu. In the event of a diagnosis of the disease, antibiotics can be effective, but treatment must begin immediately. The disease progresses very rapidly. If not treated, often within hours of the

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onset of symptoms, the disease progresses and can lead to shock and death. Medical care must immediately be sought if symptoms are present.

The most common signs of bacterial meningitis are: *High Fever *Severe Headache *Stiff neck

*Nausea and vomiting *Lethargy

*Rapidly progressing rash On October 20, 1999 the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended that college students living in dormitories or residence halls be

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"The future is only one click

away." Hill's name did not ap-

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provided with information about the disease and the availability of the vaccination.

A vaccine is available to the public and is 85-percent effective against four serogroups of the disease. These groups account for about 7 percent of cases in college age students. Nationwide, the cost of the vaccine, Menomune runs from \$60 to \$90 per dose. Recipients of the vaccine remain protected for three to five years. The side effects are minimal, including mild pain and redness at the injection site.

More information about meningitis can be found at this Web site: www.cdc.gov (Click health information).

Corrections

In the November 9th issue In the November 9th issue of The Crusader, the article entitled "Mangum brings more than cleanliness to NNU," inferred Mangum worked only four hour a day when in reality, he works or inside in the staff box in the eight hours a day, four of which opinions section, but full credit are hands on work in the dorms, and four more working away from the dorms. The Crusader regrets the error.

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unior Class Play probes the meaning of life desires to go back and live again

by Ruth Voelker

Crusader Campus Writer

After a fabulous opening, NNU's Fall Play, Our Town, written by Thornton Wilder and directed by Dr. R.G. Vanderpool, is ready for week two! All the hard work and effort contributed by the cast and many others has made this American classic all the more enjoyable.

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize, Our Town is a play that expresses warmth, humor and the eternal truths of human existence. It gives a heartening, compassionate glimpse of that time before the Great Wars; before our innocence was lost forever; a loving portrayal of American life.

Our Town depicts a pathos set against the background of time, social history and religious ide-

is set in 1901 in the fictional of town Grover's Cor-New ners. Hampshire, the where Gibbses and the Webbs are neighbors. Doc Gibbs (Nate Roskam) is the

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town's congenial doctor, along with his pleasant wife

Mrs. Gibbs (Brooke Van Dam) and their two children. Their son George (Ryan Staats) is an avid baseball player and aspires to be a farmer while his kid sister Rebecca (Lindsay Gates) pesters him with questions. Mr. Webb (Josh Enes), situated next door, is the publisher and editor of the local newspaper. His wife, Mrs. Webb (Armarna Raynolds), is a hardened woman who shows little affection toward her kids. Despite this, their daughter Emily

Five of the cast members of Our Town wait backstage for their next

others, reading, or working on homework.

appearance on stage. Many of them pass the time by visiting with the

gomery,

Edwards) who connects the scenes together and moves easily in and out of different roles.

The play begins with the childhood of George Gibbs and Emily Webb and progresses to show how their lives are inextricably woven together. But as they grow older, they pass into a state of romantic (and embarrassing!) interest in one another. George proposes to Emily in the drug store over a strawberry ice cream soda, and they are married with all the good folks of Grover's Corners in attendance. Comic relief is provided throughout the play by the gossipy and scandalous Mrs. Soames (Keri Russell), a nerdy professor (Charlie Ecker), and the town drunk and church choir director (Michael Vernor).

In spite of all of this, George and Emily's happiness is shortlived. Emily dies in childbirth and is buried in the town cemetery on a rainy, dreary day. It is there that the timid bride is reunited with many of the friends and neighbors who had died before her. The dead townspeople eerily sit, patiently awaiting greater understanding. Emily

(Ruth Voelker) is extremely hopeful and passionate about life. Her younger brother Wally is played by Jason Monta sixth grader from our community. The critical character is the Stage Manager (Marissa

with her memories, but she is shown how impossible it is to return. The peace and quiet of death, which can never be understood by the living, is portrayed. Wilder reveals "that the past cannot be re-lived. Living people, humans, occupied with their petty occupations and small thoughts, know little of true joy or happiness. Truth is found only in the future."

Our Town is not just about Emily and George or a small town in northern New England a hundred years ago. It is a play about what we (and Thornton Wilder) thought America and Americans were. The Stage Manager explains "...this is the way we were- in our growing up and in our marrying, and in our living, and in our dying.

As we are about to leap into a new millennium, we are forced not only to look ahead to what we might become, but also to turn and look back at what has allowed us to arrive here. The characters in Our Town tell us what they knew of life, it's pain and hope; it's simplicity and truth. Thornton Wilder believed that life was meaningful only when lived with the full awareness of the value of the present moment. NNU's production of Our Town demonstrates to its audience the danger of not doing exactly that.

Showing at the Science Lecture Hall Wednesday, Nov. 24, 8:30pm; Friday, Nov. 26, 1:00pm and Saturday, Nov. 27, 3:30pm. Tickets are available at the bookstore and are \$4 General Admission, \$2 Faculty and Staff, and \$1 for Students. So, come one, come all to see NNU's Our Town by Thornton Wilder.



Brooke Van Dam (as Mrs. Gibbs), Ryan Staats (as George Gibbs), and Lindsay Gates (as Rebecca Gibbs) sit down for breakfast during this year's Junior Class Play, Our Town by Thornton Wilder.

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by Telfer Griffith

Crusader Campus Writer

Most of us know it as Marriott, some around campus still absent-mindedly refer to it as Saga and it is actually now known as Sodexho-Marriott. Regardless of what we call it, much more than a place to eat, it is a place for social interaction.

Consider, if you will, how different a day would be if you never went into the dining hall. Especially for underclassmen, this is a major social hub. For this reason and others, Sodexho-Marriott is very important to many of us.

From the start of this year, there have been many questions and concerns regarding Sodexho-Marriott, and the purpose of this article is to respond to those questions and comments with solid information. Debbie, General Manager of Sodexho-Marriott, was kind enough to attend an SGA Senate meeting last month to field questions and respond to some of the changes which have been made and which are in store for our dining hall.

One of the main concerns at the start of this year concerned the new seating configuration. This new setup is a result of a successful trial period during the summer, during which the dining hall was used by soccer camps and other groups. The setup was also supported by Student Development and the Resident Directors. In addition to unifying what used to be two different sides of the salad bar and thereby help-

ing to build community even in the dining hall, the new setup makes it easier to prepare for school activities that take place in Sodexho Marriott.

Unbeknownst to many, prior to any activity last year, the salad bar had to be moved and all the tables rearranged. This new setup eliminates that hassle and reduces the potential safety concerns involved in such transitions. A few tables may yet be removed to reduce crowding if it is observed that not all of them are necessary for seating. Even now, the setup is on a trial basis, and student input is encouraged. Many returning students have become accustomed, to the new arrangement and no longer resent the change.

I know what you are all thinking...what about the food? Many students enjoy the "exhibition bar" quite a bit. Sodexho-Marriott is looking into having more of that type of cooking, providing students with more freshly prepared foods. Adding an additional exhibition bar would alleviate pressure on the existing one and would provide students with more options.

The Sodexho-Marriott staff is continually trying to provide different food choices, including more vegetarian dishes this year. Most importantly, the management is seeking student input and advice regarding both changes that have been made and changes vet to come.

Several changes made this year have been sincerely appreciated by students, including the

later dinner time (open until 7:30pm) and the weekly menus placed around campus. An advisory group is now being constructed, at Sodexho-Marriott's suggestion, primarily involving the students on the Senate Campus Life Committee. This committee will serve to evaluate changes and share ideas and will be one of the major tools that Sodexho-Marriott can use to get first-hand information from students, not just rumors and criticism.

First and foremost, Sodexho-Marriott desires to hear from students in a constructive manner so that they can better provide dining designed around students' needs. Although Student Development removed the comment cards due to an influx of crude comments last year, Sodexho-Marriott staff receives comments email via at sms_comments@nnu.edu. Students are also welcome to stop by the offices anytime, or call at 8664.

Remember this when you have a complaint or suggestion regarding Sodexho-Marriott. Share it with someone who can put that into action instead of griping only to your friends. By voicing your ideas or complaints to either Sodexho-Marriott staff or student leaders, changes can actually be made based on them. Unfortunately, complaining never, really solves anything, so we need to work with Sodexho-Marriott as they desire to work with us, providing a positive dining atmosphere that caters to students' interests:

President's sabbatica

by Mindy Oldenkamp Crusader Campus Staff Writer

From the start of December until the very end of February, the campus of NNU will be in the hands of someone other than our own President Hagood. Beginning December 1st, Dr. Samuel Dunn, Vice President of Academic Affairs, will be taking over the reigns as President Hagood takes a hard-earned leave of absence.

For three months this winter, President Hagood will be taking some well deserved time off from the campus of NNU. He will be gone throughout December, January, and February, returning in time for the annual meeting of the Board of Regents in March. This sabbatical is a time for President Hagood to spend some time with his family and to get some rest and relaxation.

However, President Hagood's vacation plans aren't just about taking a moment to catch up on some relaxation but also a time for development. In a letter to the campus community, President Hagood stated his desire to focus on three areas of development while he is on his sabbatical, as well as his desire to focus on his family: "Since our son, Lincoln, is a high school senior, we will use our Nampa home as our base, but travel for one to two weeks at a time to other locations as necessary. My sabbatical objectives are three-fold: 1) spiritual renewal, 2) physical reconditioning, and 3) professional development."

For the first aspect of the three, President Hagood plans to take time to focus on spiritual development. The time away from a busy office and a bustling campus will allow for such a time.

Secondly, the President will look to catch up on some much needed physical rest. This will be President Hagood's first time taking a sabbatical, as the Board of Regents allows a four month leave for every five years of service, this being President Hagood's seventh year of service.

As for the aspect of professional development, President Hagood will be attending a number of conferences and workshops throughout the duration of his sabbatical, including one in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Dunn will preside as acting President with the full backing and aid of the President's cabinet until Hagood's return this spring.



Homecoming schedule of events and information

Wednesday, November 24

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Wednesday, November 24	
6:30 pm	Queens Reception
7 pm	Homecoming Banquet-tickets \$2.50 with meal plan, \$5.00 without
8:30 pm	Fall Play, "Our Town" (Science Lecture Hall) \$1.00 for students
Thursday, November 25	
10 am - 4 pm	University Coffee Shop (Student Center, Clyde's).
4 pm	Thanksgiving Dinner (<i>Student Center, Dining Room</i> Free with meal plan, \$10.00 without.
6 - 9 pm	Mary Shaffer: Painting Exhibition - All Weekend (Brandt Center, Friesen Art Galleries)
7:30 pm	Homecoming Concert (Brandt Center, Swayne Auditorium)
Friday, November 26	
10 am - 5 pm	University Coffee Shop (Student Center, Clyde's)
10 am - 12 pm	Bookstore Sidewalk Sale (Student Center)
11 am	Alumni Chapel (Brandt Center, Swayne Auditorium) Students Welcome!
12 - 2 pm	"Bridge to the Past" Alumni Food Court (<i>Student Center, Dining Room</i>). Dress up! Contest at 1 pm. Must have tickets-free with
	meal plan, \$6.00 without. Journey back to your college days as you gather into cluster reunions by decade. See memorabilia and cos
	tumes from the 1940s - 1990s while feasting on popular foods from each era: the 1950s Crusader Grill with hamburgers and fries, 1970s
	Salad Bar, 1990s Fajita Buffet, and more! Space is limited for this all-you-can-eat event.
12:30 pm	JV vs. Alumni Basketball Game
1 pm	Fall Play, "Our Town" (Science Lecture Hall) \$1.00 for students.
1:30 - 3 pm	Reception honoring the Alumni Award Recipients (Brandt Center
the company of the second	Suites). Students welcome!
5:30 pm	WBB - NNU vs. Central Washington
7 pm	Presentation of the 1999 Homecoming Court (Gym)
7:30 pm	MBB - NNU vs. Trevecca Nazarene University. You must have a ticket.
9:30 pm	"Build Your Own Sundae" Fifth Quarter (Student Center, Dining Room). Teen Party (Student Center, Meeting Room)
Saturday, November 27	
12:30 pm	JV vs. Alumni Basketball Game •
1:30 pm	Handel's Messiah (Brandt Center, Swayne Auditorium)
3:30 pm	Fall Play, "Our Town" (Science Lecture Hall) \$1.00 for students.
3:30 pm	WBB - Tournament Consolation Game
5:30 pm	WBB - Tournament Championship Game. Purchase NNC Athletic memorabilia in the gym during any women's or men's basketball game.
7:30 pm	MBB - NNU vs. Cal State Monterey Bay. You must have a ticket!
Sunday, November 28	
4 pm	Handel's Messiah (Brandt Center, Swayne Auditorium)

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NNU's post office, a connection to the wor

by Sarah Pearson

Crusader Campus Staff Writer

When I first received the assignment to ask about the regulations for the post office, I thought it would be a fairly short, easy assignment. After all, you just put the letter in an envelope, buy a 33 cent stamp and send it on its way, right? Interviewing the post office workers, however, put several things in perspective and made me realize that there is a lot that goes on behind the scenes in order for NNU students to actually get their mail.

First of all, it's not as easy as folding your letter and putting it in the envelope. If you fold the letter too many times, it will not fit through the little slit that measures the width of the envelope. Even if you only have a one page letter, if you fold it so much that it stretches out the envelope, the price of sending the letter is affected. If you even put one of the small Marriott candies in with the letter, this widens it so that it will not go through that little slit, nestamp

Another big problem the post office is having is with the envelopes themselves. While instructions on envelope protocol are displayed to the left of the win- a 33 cent stamp on them and mail dow, many students find it con- them off, often only putting "Me"

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venient-or more fun-to make their own envelopes. or to use ones which are not regulation. Consequently, many letters are not allowed through by the Boise post office (which is

where NNU sends/receives the mail for wider distribution).

Letters which have homemade envelopes such as from wrapping paper or tissue will often get mangled by the machines that scan and sort each letter. These machines sometimes go at a rate of 500 letters per minute, so a letter that gets caught and

cessitating a more expensive shredded/crumpled can hold up the line.

Larger envelopes such as the ones that come with holiday and birthday cards can also have a different price, but students slap as the return

> address. Hence, when the letter has to have more postage, there is no way the post office can determine who

"Me" is, nor can they send it to the recipient, so the letter has to be thrown out. The "Me" is a big problem; if the envelope does

not have enough postage or it's a Return To Sender, then there is no way for the letter to get to either the recipient or the sender.

Using the correct address format is one of the post office's biggest problems. It has been shown that freshmen get the best mail service because they use the MSC code and none of the older ways of addressing NNU mail. The mail using the older codes takes longer to get to NNU because, instead of being sent straight to the college, it first has to be sorted in Boise, then sent here, which could take a few days.

Boxes and letters which do not have MSC numbers on them when they get here are most often put aside to be dealt with at a later time, when they can look up the person's box number; this can take a little while, depending on how busy the day is. The correct addressing for any letters or packages is:

MSC (box number) Name 623 Holly St Nampa, ID 83686

Finally, another complaint the NNU post office has (but by no means the last) is the use of unreadable ink. Some students like to send packages or letters that are extremely decorated, with designs all over the box and lettering in silver ink. What they fail to understand is that the machine that reads these (yes, it's done by a machine now, not only by people) can't always differentiate between what is actually script and what is design, or it can't pick up the words because the ink is so light that the information has to be entered by hand. In these cases, the extra work is put off until a more convenient time

So the next time you do not get mail on time, do not blame the people in the post office here at NNU. They are doing their very best to work with your mail, living in a small room every day, sorting and delivering mail. If something is late, don't start whining about how the service here stinks; take a look at the letter or how you wrote the address. Did you put the MSC code on the address, or did you use one of the outdated forms? Think before you write unless you really do want something to arrive later than you'd planned

Match for students

by Carrie Goldsmith Crusader Campus Staff Writer

Some people may have a hard time finding the "right" person on campus to date. Nobody seems to be compatible. Well, the Psychology Club found the answer to that dilemma with "Data Match." It was a very popular fundraiser used by the club a few weeks ago. Many students filled. out surveys to find the top 10 guys or girls on campus who they are compatible with.

Megan Hughes said that they used the Data Match as a fun way for the student body to get to know the Psychology Club. They did not use it primarily as a fundraiser or for people to truly find their perfect matches, but just as a kind of advertisement for the club.

The club heard about the Data Match because some of the members had done it in junior high and high school and they figured that the NNU community would enjoy it as well.

The questions for the surveys taken by the students were chosen from a list of 60 given to them by the company. They chose 34 that applied to the NNU students. So, for those students who were wondering at the oddity of some of the questions, no, they were

not written by the psych club members

Many students took part in the survey, even though not everyone got their results. It was free to take the survey and costed \$1 for the results. Most people thought that it was very fun and did not take the answers seriously. But there were some people that may have taken it a little too seriously. "I think people read 'into it too much,' said Jon Vanderpool, junior.

Opinions varied on the results of the matches. Melissa Barrass said, "The people on my list are people who I would consider really good friends, but I would never date them. So, it is more of a list of friends, people who you would get along with, than people you would date."

Brooke Humphrey had another view on the results.' "I wouldn't want to date a guy like myself. So basically my results were who not to date on campus."

Many people had very low compatibility numbers, so they did not feel that the results were very accurate anyway. Others had many people that they did not know on their lists.

Brandon Hoffman, senior, said sadly,"I only knew one person on my list. I decided that I need new friends because I'm

obviously not compatible with [the friends I already have]. I'm still trying to find out the implication of all the freshman on my list.

Sandra Loughmiller said, "I thought they were funny, but I wouldn't put in any stock in [the answers].

Jenelle Smith expounded on her results. Giggling, she said, "Eric Manley was my main man. We are 50 percent compatible. I've just been too frightened to tell him. I know he's too far up there to reach, so I'm not sure [the Data Match] ever was worth it." As for her other nine guys, she forgot about them.

Brent Gould felt that "the Data Match is a great way to find freshman dates for Homecoming. But it didn't work. I didn't know any of them."

Carly Powne had the idea that "all the guys should have to call at least one person on their list." Unfortunately, Carly did not even do the Data Match, but wishes she had.

Although the Data Match was not a successful fundraiser, the Psychology club plans on trying it again next year. Most people thought it was very fun and would try it again. Now they are looking into ways to actually make money from it.

Concert Band Performance

On November 11, NNU's Concert Band performed in Swayne Auditorium. In honor of Veteran's Day, the band started off the concert with a partiotic song. This was Dr. Casey Christopher's first performance as this year's new band director



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Student alumni council creates a link to the past for students

by Lynette Brown Crusader Campus Writer

Many students feel a little bit down when their birthdays roll around. For most freshmen, it is the first birthday they have spent away from their family. All the homesick feelings come crashing down and nothing feels the same. All of the sudden, in the middle of a great pity party, a phone call breaks the mood. The curiosity is piqued, and a trip to the main lobby must be made. Once there, the mood will change, because another student is holding a birthday cake for the one who was just feeling a little blue.

The student who brought the cake also gets a great feeling. He or she gets the benefit of seeing the other person's entire outlook change and feel uplifted. The fortunate people who are bringing joy to members of our community are part of a council which is here to be a link between the alumni and ourselves. These people belong to the Student Alumni Council. Bringing cakes to people on one of their special days of the year is only a small part of their service.

The SAC is a very important asset to the campus of NNU. This

group consists of about twenty people. Their duties are mostly service sorts of projects. The Student Alumni Council is responsible for putting on the New Student Blast for the freshmen at the beginning of each year, delivering birthday cakes, the survival kits at the end of the term and many Homecoming activities. During Homecoming, these members decorate for many events, put together a coffee house and the 5th Quarter, as well as greeting and helping in the Alumni House.

Sara Keller said that one thing she enjoyed about being on the council was "being involved with Alumni activities since there's really no other way to do it. Also, it's fun to do survival kits, since I got them last year."

If this sounds like an interesting club to be involved in, the opportunity comes around third term. Freshmen and sophomores are eligible to apply. Look in Cru-Keys during third term. It will give instructions on how and where to apply. The council will then vote on the applicants to decide who will be a part of the club. Kara Lyons encouraged people to apply because "It is a good way to get involved, serve the students and the alumni."



This past weekend, November 12-14, NNU's Forensics team traveled to Linfield College in McMinnville, Oregon to participate in the Mahaffey Memorial Forensics Tournament. Senior Ken Tennyson and freshman Nate Schunke competed in debate and made it to the quarterfinal round. Tennyson also received second place for persuasion and eighth place for extemporaneous speech. Schunke was a fourth place finalist in novice extemporaneous speech.

Seniors Jill Moseley and Melissa Tennyson competed in a duo performance as well as individual prose interpretation. Tennyson received third place in novice prose. Freshman Amber Jaramillo received first place in novice extemporaneous speech and also competed in novice prose. The team was accompanied by Dr. Dennis Waller. The members of the team pictured above are, from left to right, Jill Moseley, Melissa Tennyson, Ken Tennyson, Nate Schunke, and Amber Jaramillo.

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A&M students mourn tragic accident lexas

by Amy Oglevie World News Staff Writer

COLLEGE STATION, TX - This week, as we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving and Homecoming, students at Texas A&M are recovering - both physically and mentally - after the deadly bonfire accident that occurred last week.

Officials say that about 70 people were stacking logs upright in layers when the pile gave way early Thursday morning, Some students-were thrown clear of the falling structure, while others were trapped beneath shifting logs. The tragedy left 11 students and one former student dead. 28 additional people were injured, and seven still remain hospitalized

"We're still trying to understand it," Texas A&M President Ray Bowen said Friday. "We don't have the answers to all the questions. We're still trying to deal with the shock.

The 40 foot-tall structure was being built for the annual bonfire scheduled for Nov. 25, Thanksgiving night. According to tradition,

in height and comprised of 7,000 full-size logs. The construction and lighting of the massive bonfire is a venerable 90 year tradition, beginning in 1909 when A&M was an all-male military

academy. The fire has drawn tens of thousands of spectators each year and has been a major football season motivator. The year's bonfire event has been canceled and it is unclear whether the tradition will continue.

This is only the second time in the history of the college that the event has been canceled, the other being in 1963, after President Kennedy was assassinated.

The structure, designed to twist inward and collapse in on itself as it burns, seems to have had a weak central pillar. This central splice, actually two logs fused together with bolts and wire, was driven ten feet into the

the log pyramid was to be 60 feet ground. Despite this base, the the stack. "It took five seconds, if splice is thought to be the source of the catastrophe.



Student volunteers carry logs from the fallen bonfire that collapsed at Texas A&M in College Stations. Shortly before 3 a.m. Thursday, the bonfire log pile shifted as dozens of students worked all-night shifts atop stacks of wood on the A&M polo fields. The top logs crashed to the ground, killing at least nine students and injuring 28 others.

Some witnesses said they heard a crack and a roar as loud as thunder as the structure toppled.

'All of a sudden the center pole snapped, and everything went with it," said Nathan Knowles, a freshman who was on

say that the splice will be the focus of the investigation.

be no indication of criminal activity and no charges are going to be

for this Friday against the University of Texas will proceed as

The bonfire project hasn't always been trouble-free -- one stack collapsed in 1994, and a second one was built and ignited. However, the recent tragedy only adds to the horror already prevalent at Texas A&M. This accident was the third major disaster related to the 45,000 student body this fall.

On September18, five people were killed in the crash of a plane used by the Ags Over Texas sky diving club, often used by university students and alumni. Also, on October 10, six college students walking to a fraternity party about two miles west of campus were killed by a pickup driver who had fallen asleep at the

The last logs from the bonfire have been removed and only a barren circle of dirt remains. At one corner of the site, several people have come to lay flowers and reflect on the tragic loss of life and spirit, and to decide how to go on with their lives.

crosoft under fire at anti-trust judgement Microsoft has employed have also

by Jeremy Smith World News Editor

NEW YORK, NY - A federal judge appointed a mediator in the Microsoft Corporation antitrust trial Friday, raising the prospects for an out-of-court settlement in the company's battle with the government.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson named Richard Posner, chief judge of the 7th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in Chicago, to handle the "voluntary" negotiations between Microsoft and the government.

Under the order, Posner will act as mediator in a private capacity, is separate from the U.S. District Court's involvement in the case. Posner will determine the schedule and duration of the negotiations.

Jackson found Microsoft to be a monopoly in a preliminary ruling in the case. Most antitrust experts expected Jackson's findings to cause a new round of settlement discussions between the two sides

'We look forward to working with Judge Posner," said Jim Cullinan, a Microsoft spokesman. 'We think this is potentially a very positive step toward resolving the case.

A Justice Department spokes-

woman said the government expects a meeting with Posner "to discuss a way to address the serious competitive problems identified in the court's findings of fact."

Microsoft shares gained 1-1/ 16 to close at 86 in Nasdaq trade. Its shares jumped to 90-1/2 in after-hours trade on the Instinet system

The Justice Department and 19 states sued Microsoft in May 1998 for broad antitrust violations, including using its monopoly in the Windows operating systems market to deter competition and harm consumers.

It is believed that the sweeping nature of Jackson's findings would compel Microsoft to engage in settlement talks.

In light of the fact that Jackson sided with nearly all of the government's arguments in his preliminary findings, federal prosecutors have indicated they will seek the highest penalties against the firm in the likely event that Jackson rules Microsoft violated antitrust laws.

Those penalties could include breaking up the company or force it to release the valued source code to its Windows operating system, which controls more than 90 percent of the world's personal

A settlement could also have

more beneficial results for Microsoft. If Microsoft and the government reach a settlement, Jackson's finding of monopoly power would never become final, and firms seeking to sue the company would have to prove Microsoft's monopoly position.

Sun Microsystems Incorpo-

must leave Microsoft free to add whatever features it chooses to its Windows operating system.

Jackson's ruling, however, provides the government with a foundation against that stance. A cornerstone of the government's case has been that Microsoft included the Internet Explorer Web

"Many of the tactics that Microsoft has employed have also harmed consumers indirectly by unjustifiably distorting competition." -Judge Thomas Jackson

rated and Caldera Systems both have private suits pending against Microsoft that have some similarities to the federal case.

'Microsoft needs a settlement more than the government," says Harvey Saferstein, an antitrust lawyer at Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson in Los Angeles

Both sides have maintained that they have been open to an out-of-court settlement, however, they have remained far apart on key issues.

Bill Gates, Microsoft chairman and chief executive officer, has said any proposed settlement

browser for free within Windows to deter a potential threat to its monopoly power.

Microsoft claims its actions have worked to the benefit of consumers. However, Jackson ruled that by engaging in illegal tactics to thwart the competition, Microsoft also hurt consumers. Many of the tactics that

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harmed consumers indirectly by unjustifiably distorting competition." Jackson wrote Microsoft officials have also

indicated that the firm could take its chances on appeal. An appellate court has already overturned Jackson twice in the ongoing Microsoft matter.

'Microsoft likes its chances in the appeals courts," Saferstein said. "Posner, who is an appellate judge, will tell them what is likely to happen in the appeals courts.'

Unless a settlement is reached first, the government will file a brief on December 6 outlining how to apply antitrust laws to Jackson's findings of fact, with Microsoft due to file its responding brief on Jan. 17.

The government will get a chance to file a response by January 24, with Microsoft's final response due January 31.

Microsoft and government lawyers are due to deliver oral arguments on their proposed conclusions of law on Feburary 22.

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Use of tobacco settlement money questione

by Heather Oglevie World News Staff Writer

After a long legal battle, five major smoking companies agreed to pay 42 states a total of 206 billion dollars, the biggest civil settlement in United States history. With the pay-out about to begin, the states must decide how to spend their cut of the money. However, this possibly pleasant task is rapidly becoming tangled in controversy.

Even after their supposed victory over Big Tobacco in November 1998, the leaders of the anti-smoking movement are unand health-oriented activities. Instead, the tobacco industry claims that many states are using the funds more like a "multi-purpose budget-booster," creating college-scholarships in Michigan and new jails in Orange County, California.

Only a few states have come close to pledging the minimum amount suggested by federal officials to wage an effective antismoking campaign; most are using it for purposes unrelated to health, such as public services. Those who fought for the measure are outraged at what they see as an act of reneging on a

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-Audrie Chernauckas

happy over the results of this action, saying that the money was allocated to the states with the understanding that they would use it to promote anti-smoking

promise. Attacks on the states have come from all sides. Audrie Chernauckas, this year's Miss Michigan, who lost several family members to smoking-related illnesses, made an appeal to the State government.

"That wasn't what the money was intended for," Chernauckas said regarding the scholarships. "I ask you please, from in my heart,

this is about our children's future.'

Health Donna Shalala also exof those states assured us that they were going to use this money for health pur-

poses," she said in September. "I'm very disappointed in their failure.'

The proposed programs by experts at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention would need to consume about one-third of each state's settlement share to be effective:

By August, Director Jeffrey Koplan expressed his disappointment in the "sad fact" that no states were fully complying with the suggestions.

However, the states argue, it cannot be said that they have done nothing to earn the money--nor have they purposefully reneged on an agreement.

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"These were lawsuits that the states themselves took on," said Joan Henneberry, a health policy expert at the National Governors Association. "We really do believe that state

Myers, Matthew the campaign's vice president and general counsel, said "Whether this agreement turns into a vehicle for major nationwide change depends on the actions of

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"Between the federal government and the Secretary lawyers, they're going to kill the tobacco pressed her dismay. "Most Companies anyway."

~Louisiana Governor Mike Foster

policymakers know better than anybody about the needs of the people in their states.

They are aided by the tobacco companies, who are complying with measures such as reducing smoking billboards, raising the price of cigarettes by 45 cents a pack, and getting rid of the cartoon Joe Camel--these measures have already produced a noticeable drop in smoking rates

With a good deal of common sense, North Dakota's attorney general Heidi Heitkamp, head of the tobacco committee of the National Association of Attorneys General, said "An expectation

that 100 percent of the money be di-rected to the tobacco fight wasn't very realistic. Once we accepted that, it became a question of

each state

the state legislatures over the next two years."

Most of the spending decisions made thus far are reversible, he added, and legislatures could easily increase or decrease the allocations for anti-smoking programs.

A few states, fearful that the tobacco companies will go bankrupt over the 25-year period required to pay off the settlement, are looking to private brokers, hoping to sell over their claims in the hopes of getting at least some of their money.

"Between the federal government and the lawyers, they're going to kill the tobacco compa-

"An expectation that 100 percent of the money be directed to the tobacco fight wasn't very realistic." ~ Heidi Heitkamp

evaluating what is adequate. If a state basically walked away from any obligation to address youth smoking, you'd have cause for concern.

Nineteen states have yet to decide how to spend their money, while several others have created trust funds that could be used for several purposes, including antismoking programs.

Of the two dozen states that have detailed initial spending plans for the money, only eight have made substantial new commitments to anti-smoking programs, according to the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids in Washington.

Massachusetts, which received money in an earlier settlement has made use of its funds to start up a successful antiyouth-smoking program, but in most cases, "the jury is still out" regarding the end goal for the money.

nies anyway," said Louisiana Gov. Mike Foster. "So, if there's somebody in the private sector that thinks it's worth enough, I've always thought we ought to look at it."

However, most are more concerned with seeing that money is properly used. A coalition of doctors, nurses and consumer activists is trying to put a measure on next year's state ballot that would force California to spend the new money on health care

Activists are particularly angered by Orange County's plan to use its share for debt retirement and jail construction.

Although the states turned away a federal injunction to use the money for anti-smoking efforts, they all agreed to make health and anti-smoking programs their top priority when the issue was settled and the money was allocated.



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Athens citizens protest amidst visit from Clinton

by Ryan K. Dooley World News Staff Writer

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ATHENS, GREECE -- Declaring himself a "friend of Greece," President Bill Clinton arrived in Athens Friday for a visit that triggered angry protests by thousands of leftists. Protesters who had been told not to gather defied police and then tried to break through their cordons, throwing firebombs and smashing store windows in the Greek capital.

From the center of the melee, police fired barrage after barrage of tear gas at the crowd, mostly comprised of leftist and communist students and workers. The Greek Left holds Clinton responsible for the war in Kosovo against Greece's traditional ally, Serbia. The Greeks, while members of NATO, in effect walked a neutral line during that war. Lingering resentments over U.S. backing for Cold War era right wing governments in Greece have never really gone away.

Far from the unrest, the Clintons' were welcomed in Athens by an official delegation.

"I have come here as a 'philhellene,' a friend of Greece, and I look forward to experienc-

ing that wonderful quality of Greek hospitality known to all the world," Clinton said shortly after his arrival.

While Clinton, his wife, Hillary, and their daughter, Chelsea, walked away from the plane, police fired several rounds of teargas at the protesters.

A small crowd chanted, 'Clinton, Clinton" and waved Greek and American flags as Clinton saluted Greece's booming economy and said he hoped its leaders would help to build a world that is undivided, democratic and at peace" by promoting democracy and stability in the nearby Balkans."

"Through this visit, I want the American people to see the changing face of Greece," he said.

Meanwhile, riot police, wearing gas masks, faced off with more than 10,000 people in front of the parliament building in central Syndagma Square, using tear gas to push back a group that rushed them.

Several protesters lit fires and hurled gasoline bombs at stores. Police had closed off much of the downtown to traffic and it seemed unlikely Clinton would even see the demonstrators. There was an eerie calm along Clinton's motorcade route from the airport to downtown. No cars were to be seen and few pedestrians, aside from hundreds of police.

Greek Communist Party leader Aleka Papariga and other

"I believe I was right, and I think that the facts will prove that I was right." ~Bill Clinton

protest leaders negotiated to no avail with police, who refused to allow the marchers to press on to the U.S. Embassy. More rallies were planned in other cities.

"I'm delighted to be going and I'm not concerned about the protests," Clinton told reporters in Istanbul, Turkey, before his meeting with Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern. "Greece is the world's oldest democracy. If people want to protest they should have a chance to do it."

Clinton said the protests don't bother him because Greece and the United States have been great allies despite widespread opposition in Greece to the NATO-led mission in Yugoslavia.

"They have a right to their opinion and I have a right to mine," Clinton said. "I believe I was right, and I think that the facts will prove that I was right."

> Clinton said he wanted to use his visit to inform the people of Greece about the receptive ear he'd gotten in Turkey

on resolving tensions with Greece. "The Greek people and the government should be quite encouraged," Clinton said.

The marches, led by the Greek Communist Party, will focus on the American Embassy, placed off limits in the country's largest-ever police operation. Protesters filed a legal challenge to have the march restrictions declared illegal, but they were denied

Before dawn Friday, some demonstrators erected two giant banners that read "Killer Clinton" on a mountainside overlooking central Athens. Even across the

road from Clinton's downtown hotel, an American flag bearing a large German swastika was in full view

Security was stepped up after the threat of unrest and a string of sporadic firebomb attacks prompted the United States to delay and shorten Clinton's trip, initially scheduled for Nov. 13-15.

The U.S. move sobered Premier Costas Simitis' Socialist government, which is banking on continued American support for Greece's efforts to play a stronger role in the region.

Up to 7,000 officers were to patrol Athens, clearing streets of traffic and sealing off areas where Clinton, his wife and daughter were visiting during their 24-hour

But the measures, rare by Greek standards, have spurred fresh defiance.

On Wednesday, more than 10,000 marchers chanted "Clinton, Fascist, Murderer" and other anti-American slogans in front of the U.S. Embassy.

In essence, they have imposed martial law on Athens. "We will not accept this," said senior Communist official Stratis Korakas.

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Chechen refugees hurting World News Briefs

by Amy Oglevie World News Staff Writer

SPUTNIK REFUGEE CAMP, RUSSIA - AZA Temiyeva, a 37 year-old Chechen, mother of eight, stands in line for her family's daily ration of a halfloaf of bread. She wears threadbare summer clothes and thin rubber boots. She is weary, frightened and frustrated. Finally, she receives her hunk of bread and she goes off to eat with her little ones. As she watches her four year old daughter nibble on a piece of the precious bread she asks, "How can we be guilty for just being Chechens?"

The same question echoes throughout other refugee camps like Sputnik. It is estimated that more than 200,000 refugees have fled fighting in Russia's breakaway republic, Chechnya. The Kremlin's violent reaction to a rebel independence movement has driven them from their homes into the neighboring region of Ingushetia.

However, despite the desire to help these people, Nazran, the capital of Ingushetia, and the rest of the region is poverty stricken and has no mean by which to take on extra inhabitants.

The Russian government believes that all Chechens are at fault because rebels have "turned the Northern Caucasus into a lawless smugglers' paradise". The rebels are believed to have masterminded a series of deadly apartment bombings in Moscow and

another city killing more than 300. Azia and her two sons, age two

On Thursday Sadako Ogata, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, came to Ingushetia to survey conditions in the camps Russia has set up to house the displaced Chechens. Russian troops attempted to keep Ogata away from the refugees who wanted to talk about their condition and plight, citing security reasons. However, Olgata didn't have to look far to see the desperation in the faces of the refugees living 16 to a tent, wearing summer clothes in near freez-

enough firewood to fuel their

has issued an urgent appeal for

aid for Chechen refugees. In the

Sputnik camp alone, there is only

enough food to last five days. Aid

workers report that many children

are suffering from colds, flu and

are relatively safe, outside them

is a different story. The Russian

military is apparently targeting

civilians fleeing the country. In a

Nazran hospital, a young woman

named Azia was being treated for

bullet wounds in her legs, arms

and chest. The nurse said that

While the camps themselves

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and six, were traveling by car out of Chechnya when they came under attack from the Russian army. While the boys were unharmed, three other relatives in the car were killed.

Civilians are being fired on as they leave Chechnya," Human Rights Watch's Cassandra Cavanaugh commented. "We documented too many cases for it not to be true. The real victims of this war are the civilians."

There are many accounts of civilian casualties reported daily.

Workers like Cavanaugh are "Civilians are being fired attempting to on as they leave Chechnya." document the increasing ~Cassandra Cavanaugh number of cases of suffering temperatures and without ing at the hands of the Russian

> Even with all the horror in Chechnya, with Russian bombardments becoming fiercer by the day, a large number of refugees are now trying to get back into their country, carrying supplies to bring to loved ones still inside the battle zone. While the first attacks began over the last six weeks, thousands had to leave behind relatives, mostly those to old to travel and also those too young to make the journey.

military.

As Aza Temiyeva attempts to make an existence for her family, the Russian forces are destroying it. "We're already tired of this life," she says. "We are fed up."

by José Melendez

World News Staff Writer

Ergonomical workplaces to come

WASHINGTON D.C .-- Labor Secretary Alexis Herman stated that, "work related musculoskeletal disorders ... are the most prevalent, most expensive and most preventable workplace injuries in the country and it is time we do something about it." On Monday, the Labor Department announced that employers will have to correct workplace conditions that may lead to injury due to ergonomic factors. The employers may be asked to fix environments and provide additonal medical help and preventive training, and workers assigned to light duty due to ergonomical reasons will be guaranteed full pay and benefits while those who are required to leave work for recovery will be guaranteed 90 percent pay and full benefits.

The changes will affect 1.9 million work sites and about 27 million employees. Typical sites to be targeted will be those which employ nurses, baggage-handlers, people on computers and assembly line workers. The total cost is estimated at \$4.2 billion.

The Department of Labor claims, however, that companies will be saving money. Every year, approximately 1.8 million people suffer from musculoskeletal injuries and over 600,000 people miss work due to ergonomic factors. Annually, these injuries total to about \$15 billion to \$20 billion in workers' compensation and \$30 billion to \$40 billion in other things like medical bills.

The new rules will not be put into effect until at least next year after they undergo comment periods and session hearings in Washington and other cities.

Kids think using drugs is "uncool"

The Partnership for a Drug-Free America, a coalition that has created advertisements for a \$195 million government campain against drugs, recently commissioned a survey that yielded positive results. The survey was designed and conducted by Audits and Surveys Worldwide. It asked 6,529 adolescents from the seventh through the twelfth grade how they felt about drugs. Forty percent, compared to last year's 35 percent, agreed strongly that kids that use drugs are not cool. The amount of teens that agreed that marijuana users in school were popular dropped from 17 percent last year to ten percent this year. Fortyfive percent from 32 percent last year have seen or heard an advertisement against drugs at least once a day. And lastly, experimentation with marijuana has dropped to 41 percent from last year's 42 percent and 1997's 44 percent. Experimentation with other drugs has also decreased.

Bradley and Gore visit Boise

by Shawn Shafer World News Staff Writer

BOISE, ID- Idaho's capitol city played host to two dignitaries at Thursday's Ada County Democrats JFK Dinner. Tipper Gore and Ernestine Bradley, wives of democratic presidential candidates Al Gore and Bill Bradley, were the keynote speakers at the fundraising dinner held Thursday in the BSU Student Union.

More than three hundred excited democrats from all around Idaho crowded into the Jordan Ballroom to catch a glimpse of Tipper and Ernestine. As the two walked around before dinner was served, enthusiastic comments were heard from thrilled democrats who had just spoke with one of the two women.

A fundraiser more than anything, the twenty-five dollar a cent Republican dinners in Boise which have topped off at more than \$100 a plate. Still, the dinner was touted as a triumph by dinner emcee and organizers.

The highlight of the night's events were, of course, the keynote addresses given by Gore and Bradley. Gore's experience at giving similar speeches was evident as she intimately shared her insight into her husband and his motivations. She told the crowd how, after coming back from Vietnam disillusioned with the government that had sent him overseas, he pursued a career in journalism which led to his uncovering scandal in Tennessee's state government. It was this discovery, Gore said, that led to her husband's decision to follow in his father's footsteps and enter the political arena - the government needed good people to work for plate paled in comparison to re-. the good of the people.

Ernestine Bradley's speech contrasted sharply with Gore's. Born in Germany and later becoming a doctor and professor of literature, she has only recently been forced to publicly discuss things of a political nature. Her speech reflected this as she roughly outlined the Bradley platform and her husbands ideas as she understood them. Still, these very qualities endeared her to the crowd, who easily identified with the position she was in.

The dinner was a celebration of the all but unheard-of Democratic party in Idaho. With fifteen years of Republican-dominated politics in Idaho, the democrats who were present are definitely ready for a change. The atmosphere was charged with the knowledge that there really were quite a number of democrats willing to participate in the party and to contribute to its cause.

The positive results of the survey are good news for attitude changes are accurate predictors of drug use. According to a recent government survey, drug use among teens seems to have plateaued. The Partnership attributes most of the change not to its clever advertisements, but rather to a general "decline in social acceptance of drugs."

Algerian leader assasinated

ALGIERS, ALGERIA -- Abdelkader Hachani, 43, was shot twice in the head and once in the stomach as he was entering his dentist's office. Hachani was the third ranking leader of the banned Islamic fundamentalist party known as the Islamic Salvation Front in Algeria. The assassination hits at the heart since the government has been attempting to reconcile the differences of the divided nation. The party blames so called "eradicators," or people who want to see Islamic militants out of the country for death, while others believe that it was plotted from within the Party.

Algerian president Abdelaziz Bouteflika stated that the attack proves that the enemies of civil peace ... still want evil for the Algerian people."

Hachami was seen as an instrumental figure within the party for his ability to persuade other radical militants to use the electoral process rather than force. The loss of the moderate Hachami will make it much more difficult for Bouteflika to find some middle ground between the country's forceful militant leaders.

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Holiday Special

Nursing Home Gift Drive

by RaChelle Lundy

SGA Community Relations Coordinator

NNU's annual Nursing Home Gift Drive has come once again. This is a wonderful opportunity for NNU students, faculty and staff to make someone's Christmas very special.

Below is a list of gift requests from our local nursing homes. Beginning Monday, Nov.29th -Friday, Dec.3rd from 11am - 5pm, participants need to call the SGA offices at #8778, a student volunteer will be waiting to receive your call.

Let them know what gift you would like to provide, and then bring the wrapped gift upstairs in the student center to Student Development by Friday Dec. 3rd at 5:00pm. I encourage everyone to take the time to be involved in this outreach to our Nampa community.

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- A32. Male; cardigan sweater (M), dress-up
- button-up shirts (M) A33. Female; sweatsuit (M), blanket
- A34. Male: sweatsuit (M), blanket
- A35. Male; sweatsuit (M), 49ers baseball cap A36. Female; custom jewelry, perfume, sta-
- tionary A37. Male; sweatsuit (M), shirts (M)
- A38. Male; button-up shirt (L), cologne
- A39. Male; sweatsuit (M), blanket A40. Female; sweatsuit (XXL), perfume

- A41. Male; sweatsuit (L), cologne A42. Male; baseball cap, cologne A43. Male; button-up shirt (Dickies) (L), blan-
- ket A44. Male; sweatsuit (L), cologne A45. Female; sweatsuit (LG), UNO cards,
- movies A46. Male; white t-shirts (XL), stuffed ani-
- mal, cologne
- A47. Female; porcelain doll, perfume, scented

- harrettes A49. Male; two sweatsuits (L), chocolate
- A50. Male: insulated flannel (XXXXL), base ball cap
- A51. Female; Hershey candy bars, lap blanket A52. Female; two sweatsuits (L), scented lo-
- tion A53. Female; two sweatsuits (L), scented lo-
- tions, perfume A54. Female; sweatsuit (M), house robe A55. Female: sweatsuit (XXL), scented lotion,
- perfume A56. Male: sweatsuit (L), socks (9-11)
- A57. Female; lap blanket, lotions, hair acces sories
- A58. Female; sweatsuit (M), make-up (light colors)
- A59. Female; sweatsuit (L), scented lotion
- A60. Female; sweatsuit (M), stuffed animal A61. Female; pretty house robe (SM), slippers (9-11)
- Female; sweatsuit (M), hair accessories A62. A63. Female; sweatsuit (L), perfume, hair ac-
- cessories A64. Male: New York Yankees baseball cap, plastic coffee mug (baseball)
- A65. Male; sweatsuit (M), cologne A67. Female; scented lotions, hair accessories,
- socks. A68. Male; suspenders, socks, cologne A69. Female; costom jewelry, stationary, trin-
- ket box
- A70. Male; lap blanket, socks, cologne A71. Female; lap blanket, socks A72. Male; white t-shirts (M), sweatsuit (M),
- socks A73. Female; sweatsuit (L), socks
- A74. Female; sweatsuit (M), perfume, scented lotions
- A75. Male; button-up shirts (L), cologne, socks

Cascade Care Center

- B1. Female: candy B2. Female; knick knacks, stuffed animal B3. Female: stuffed animal Female; night gown Male; sweats (L)B6. Male; sweats (XL) B4. B5. Male; sweats (XL) B7. Male: socks, stuffed animal B8. Male; sweats (XL), socks **B**9 B10. Male; sweats (XL) B11. Female; hair pins, knick knacks B12. Female; hard candy, sweats (button-down front) (M)B13. Female; t-shirts (XL), socks B14. Female; socks, duster dress B15. Female; socksB16. Female; socks, candy, stuffed animal B17. Female; earrings, broach B18. Female; chocolate candy B19. Male; sweats (M) B20. Female; chocolate candy Female; sweats (L) Female; duster dress B21 B22. B23. Male; western shirt (15 ½, short sleeve)
 B24. Male; overalls (M), slippers (M)
 B25. Female; nylons (knee highs), chocolate candy B26. Female; night gown B27. Female; quilt, stuffed animal B28. Female; quilt, stuffed animal B29. Female; quilt, stuffed animal Female; nylons (knee highs), red lipstick B30 B31. Male; western shirt (L, 17 1/2, long sleeve) Female; sweater B32. B33. Female; sweats (L)
 B34. Female; hard candy, sweats (L) (button down front) B35. Female; sweater, hair ties Female; button-down sweater B36 B37. Male; magazines on cars and motorcycles Female; sweats and t-shirts (XL) B38. B39. Female: duster dress, candy Male; sweats (L) B40. Male: sweats (L) B41 Female; candy, stuffed animal B43. Female; purse, candy, stuffed animal B44. Female; religious items B45. Female; coloring crayons and coloring books, sweats (L), socks books, sweats (L), socks B46. Female; sweats, stuffed animals B47. Female; pants (8/tall) B48. Female; silk night gown B49. Female; socks, pants (10/avg.) B50. Female; sweats (L)B51. Female; red
- blouse B52. Female; candy
- B53. Male; slippers (10-11)
- B55. Female; stocking hat, gloves
- Female; hair items

B58. Female; pants (8/petite) B59. Female; sweats (L) B60. Female; sweats (L) B61. Male; dress shirt (L) B62. Male; sweats (LG), coat

B57. Female; nylons

- B63. Female; music (tapes)
- B64. Female; night gown, slippers (8)B65. Female; non-skid socks
- B66. Female; make-up case
- B67 Female; coloring crayons and coloring books
- B68. Female: hard candy
- Female; sweater, nylons B69.
- B70. Female: nylons (knee highs) Female; hair ties B71.
- B72. Male: sweaters (L)
- Female; sweater
- B74. Female; perfumes, knick knacks
- **Holly Care Center** C1. Male; sweatpants (M), Henley shirt (M) C2. Male: Henley shirts (L) C3. Female; perfume, scenery pictures C4. Female; Scrabble, board games, life game C5. Female; pink blouse (M), sweater (M) C6. Female: colored socks size 8-9 Female; cassette radio player, stuffed animal dog C8. Female; soft throw blanket C9. Female; romance novels C10. Female; pictures, short sleeve blouse (M) C11. Female; blouses (XL), makeup C12. Female; stuffed animal C13. Female: blouses (M), makeup C14. Male; flannel shirts (L), sweat pants (L) C15. Male; handkerchiefs C16. Female; pull over shirts (L), sweatpants (L), colored socks C17. Female; black flat soled shoes (size 8), socks C18. Female; large print Christian books, nail polish, lotion C19. Female; reading material, autobiographies C20. Male; sweat pants (L), t-shirts (L) C21. Male; cologne C22. Female; large print books, scented lo-C23. Female; soft bed throw C24. Female; soft bed throw, scented lotion C25. Female; hair combs, socks, slippers (size C26. Female; crackerjacks, slippers (size 7-8) C27. Female; scented lotions, bed throw C28. Male; cologne, handkerchiefs C29. Female; long vest (M), headphones, soft quiet music C30. Female; cassette player, headphones, books on tape, westerns C31. Male; salt water taffy, socks (size 9-11), sweatshirt (M) C32. Male; matching sweatpants and shirt (1X) blue or red C33. Female; soft stuffed animal (cats & dogs), long necklace C34. Female; costume jewelry, vests (1X) in bright color C35. Male; flannel men's pajamas (M), cookie C36. Male; Henley shirts (L), dark colored sweatpants (L) C37. Female; duster (M), slippers (size 8-9) C38. Female; doll, stuffed animal, drawing pad and sketch pencils C39. Female; sweatpants & shirt (3X), posters of flowers or Hawaii C40. Female; stuffed animal dog, knick knacks C41. Female; duster dress (2-3X), sugar free candy, Redenbacher's original un-popped popcorn C42. Female; movies, jewelry, makeup, Mickey Mouse t-shirts (S) C43. Female; sweater (L), perfume C44. Female; socks (8-9), perfume C45. Female; country music, old time cassettes, t-shirts (M) C46. Female; dusters (L), stationary C47. Female; teddy bears, navy blue sweaters (L) C48. Female; dusters (S), slippers (5-6) C49. Female; music box, nail polish (dark pink), white shirt (M), long sleeve blouse (M)
- C50. Female; cassette player w/earphones, books on tape, historical novels C51. Female; perfume (Tabu), hair clips, hand
- mirror (nude), gospel cassettes C53. Female; dress (L), hair clips

C56. Female; bulletin board, clip on earrings

C58. Male; throw blankets, cardigan sweat-

Male; sweat pants black or navy blue

Female; hair clips, blouses (M), knit

C57.

ers (L)

- C54. pants (M), gold colored watch C55. Female; bulletin board, perfume
- Female; night gown (XL) B54.

C59. Female; long necklaces, costume jewelry, **R&V Shelter Home** perfume, makeup C60. Female; costume jewelry, dusters (M) F1. Female; elastic blue slacks size 16 F2. Female; pink sweat suit (XL) F3. Female; elastic slacks size 20

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Female; wallet Female; Christmas candy

Female; mixed nuts Female; sweatshirt (2X)

Female; pretty shirt (L)

F9. Male; long sleeve shirt (L) F10. Male; baseball cap

movie, Mighty Joe Young

F13. Male; dress shirt (M) F14. Male; sweat pants (XL)

G8. Female: nightgown, robe

G11. Female; picture, wall clock

pers (M) G17. Female; 2 sweatshirts (XL)

G25. Female; puzzle, socks(6-9) G26. Male; socks, sweatshirt (L)

G29. Female; sweater (M), powder G30. Male; lined flannel (XL)

G32. Female: crochet thread, socks

G34. Male; aftershave, socks G35. Male; button front sweater (M)

Female; 2 sweatshirts (XL)

G12. Female; sweatshirt (L), socks G13. Male; beige cowboy hat

Male; box of chocolates

F15. Male; long sleeve shirt (XL)

G1. Female; cat calendar, cat poster

F12. Male: Air Force One or good action

Valley Plaza Retirement Center

G2. Male; collector stamps, new quarters G3. Male; small electric radio, slippers (size

G4. Female; pajamas (M), soap and powder G5. Female; handkerchiefs, bath soap

G6. Male; suspenders, white pants (48-32) G7. Male; flannel shirt (L), deodorant, ra-

G9. Male; thin socks, suspenders, pajamas (M) G10. Male; white V neck T-shirts (M)

G14. Male; slippers (size 9), open front

G15. Male; jeans (31x30), long sleeved shirt

G16. Female; personal care package, slip-

G19. Male; sweatshirt (L), socks G20. Male; tennis shoes (8), sweatshirt (M)

G21. Female; cotton blouse (M), historical

G22. Female; Windsong perfume, slippers (8)
G23. Female; sweatshirt (L), gloves (M)
G24. Male; socks, razor, fruit

Female: sweatshirt (L), socks

Male; handkerchiefs, shirt (L)

Female; blouse (SM), slippers (L)

Female; button front sweater (L)

G36. Male; heavy metal music, sweatshirt (L) G37. Male; sweatpants (M), socks

Male; western shirt (L), socks

G39. Female; nightgowns (XXL), socks G40. Female; Windsong perfume, powder

G41. Female; book stamps, chocolate candy G42. Male; three musketeers, Garfield watch

Female; cracker and cheese pack

Female; White Shoulders perfume Male; #10 almonds, socks

Male; hat and gloves, pants (36x30)

Female; Christmas candy, perfume

Female; pullover sweater (L), socks Male; sweatsuit (L)

Female; sunglasses, handkerchiefs Male; jeans (30x34), T-shirt (L)

Male; gloves and hat, T-shirt (M)

G65. Male; suspenders, Christmas candy G66. Male; handkerchiefs, 2 sweatshirts (XL)

Male; box of chocolates, cashews

Male; lined flannel (XL), vest (XL)

G70. Male; jeans (45x36), blue sweatshirt

G68. Male: handkerchiefs, chocolate

G71. Male; deodorant, cologne, socks

G72. Male; brown slacks (39x30), jeans

Male; slippers (7 1/2 D), fruit

G74. Male; pajamas (L), chocolate G75. Female; white tennis shoes (11), socks

Female; socks, perfume, candy

G77. Male; socks, ski gloves

G78. Female; sweater (L), socks

Female; laundry basket, socks Male; lion slippers (L). Diabetic candy

G43. Female; fanny pack, nightgown (L)

Female; sweater (L), perfume

Male; sweatshirt (M), socks

G53. Female; Christmas sweatshirt (L) G54. Male; sweatshirt (XL)

Male; sweatsuit (M) Male; ski gloves (M), cologne

Female; crochet thread, socks

G49. Male: fruit basket

Female; Christmas candy

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Karcher Estates

- Suggested gifts for 10 men: hats, ball handkerchiefs, shaving lotion, mini Milky Way bars, socks, slippers. Suggested gifts for 20 women: per-
- fume, bath powder, slippers, candy, costume jewelry, stuffed animals.

Midland Care Center

D1. Female; sweater (M) D2. Female; sweater (M) D3. Female; sweater (L) D4. Female; sweater (M) Female; sweater (L) D5 D6. Male: sweater (L) D7 Male; sweater L D8. Male; sweater (M) D9. Male; sweater (L) D10. Male; sweater (XL) D11. Male; sweater (M) Female; sweater (L) D12. D13. Female; sweater (M) D14. Female; sweater (L) D15 Female; sweater (XL) D16. Female: sweater (XL) Female; sweater (M) D17. D18. Male; sweater (L) Male; sweater (L) D19. D20. Female; sweater (M) D21. Male; sweater (M) D22. Male; sweater (L) D23. Female; sweater (M) Female; sweater (L) D24. D25. Female: sweater (XL) Female; sweater (M) D26. D27. Male; sweater (L) D28A. Female; sweater (M) D28B. Male; sweater (XL) D29. Female; sweater (XL) D30. Female; sweater (M) D31. Male; sweater (M) D32. Male; sweater (L) Female; sweater (XL) D33 Female; sweater (XL) D34. D35. Male; sweater (XXL) D36. Male; sweater (XL) D37. Female; sweater (L) D38. Female: sweater (L) D39. Female; sweater (L) D40. Female; sweater (L) D41. Female; sweater (L) Female; sweater (L) D42. D43. Female; sweater (L) Female; sweater (M) D44. D45 Female; sweater (M) D46. Female; sweater (XL) Female; sweater (XL) D47 D48. Female: sweater (M) D49. Female; sweater (M) D50. Female; sweater (M) Female; sweater (L) D51. D52 Male; sweater (XL) Male; sweater (L) D53. Male; sweater (XL) D54. D55. Female: sweater (M) D56. Female; sweater (M) D57 Female; sweater (M) Female; sweater (XL) D58. D59. Female; sweater (L) D60. Female: sweater (M) D61. Male; sweater (L) D62. Female; sweater (M) D63. Female; sweater (M)

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E1. Female; socks (non skid feet) E2. Female; socks, sweat suit (L)

Female; socks, sweat suit (M) Female; socks, blue sweater (M)

Female; underwear (L), bath oils Female; socks (non skid feet)

E8. Female; hair accessories, dresses (M/L)
E9. Female; body cologne, lipsticks (berry)

E10. Female: underwear (L), stuffed animal

Female; underwear (S), hard candies

E15. Female; stockings nylon with elastic

E18. Female; Tweetybird paraphernalia,

E19. Female; mystery books, underwear (M)

E20. Female; day-dress (L), socks E21. Female; hair accessories, socks, sweat

E12. Female; sweaters (L), chocolates E13. Female; sweat bottoms (L), socks

Male; watch, sweat suit (L)

E11. Female; shirts (L), socks

E16. Female; slippers (M), Robe E17. Female; day-dress (XL)

"You'd better do it now—it's later than you think."



"Seek ye First the Kingdom of God"



NNC Alumni:

A special pull-out section





What NNC alumni are doing now

> Alumni share memories of college days.



The Crusader

NNC Alumni: Who they were and where they are

by Kenzi and Jadyn Wilkes C rusader Staff Writers

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Have you ever wondered what has happened to the Shawn Blenkers of the past? Did they go on to become successful political figures, businessmen, lawyers, or did they simply settle down in a position outside of the spotlight? We tracked down some NNU student leaders from the past and asked them about their days in student government, how their leadership positions affected their lives, and found out where they are today. We encountered some incredible people with interesting stories of their college days.

Back in the early days of NNC, student government had little influence on institutional decisions. It was seemingly at the hands of the administration and faculty. Ray Lindley, Oasis editor from '63-'64, says, "Student government was very much limited by what the administration allowed us to do."

Many of the touchy issues of those times are things that we take for granted today. Lindley goes on to say, "One of our big issues was whether or not we could wear shorts on campus." Had the students had much power, this most likely would not have been an issue.

Ken Meenach, who graduated in 1940, says, "Student government had limited power in originating and formulating new programs." Even though it seems that student government today is confined by lack of funds, NNC's early leaders were even more restricted. Meenach affirms this in saying, "Because of limited funds in those days, there were not many projects instigated by the council."

Up until the '80s, students were very involved in athletic literary societies. Most students today have probably never heard of these. However, in those days, they were a vital part of student involvement. There were six societies: the Olympians, the Athenians, the Spartans, Sigma Lambda Alpha, Alpha Delta Pi, and Lambda Sigma Pi.

When freshmen came to school, they were immediately assigned to a society to which they were a member for their entire college career. All of the societies were in competition with one another in activities such as drama, speech, and athletics. The purpose of the societies was to get students actively involved from the moment they set foot on campus. They provided a sense of belonging through healthy competition

Lois Zachary, ASB (Associated Student Body) Vice President of 1964 describes the school as having a great sense of community and reflects upon a time when school spirit was high, prior to the rebellion of the late 60's. Student involvement was high largely because of the athletic literary societies. "The 60's were a pretty tempestuous time. We were caught up



Of all the social events in NNC's history, the retro dress up parties may be the most popular. These four Crusaders from the '70s show off styles of the '50s

cade-civil rights, Vietnam, antiestablishment movements, etc.," says Bob Luhn, sophomore class president of 1967-68.

Little do we know what our predecessors encountered to gain rights for students and give them a voice in administrative decisions.

"While the atmosphere on college and university campuses during the late '60s and early '70s was volatile, producing riots, demonstration marches and shootings, our student government and administrators cooperated in maintaining communication, harmony, and balance. During these years of secular stress, we experienced sus-

> tained revival and spiritual renewal," says Daniel Ketchum, active member of student government in the early '70s.

Many changes were made following this turbulent era which have shaped our school today. The gym that we all use today is here because of a student fee passed in the early '70s by the student leaders of the time. As a result we can now proudly watch our Crusaders compete in the Montgomery Fieldhouse.

Also during this time, the Publications Board and Student Court were first implemented. Mark

in the great debates of that de- 1977-78, tells of a shift in the history of negativism to a more positive attitude in the Crusader newspaper. He also recounts that during his college career, student government representatives were first welcomed to attend Regents meetings.

In later years, events such as

In the early '70s, student government was set up to be much like our national government with three distinct branches: Judicial, Legislative and Executive. A Constitution was also established. The Judicial branch includes the Chief and Associate Justices. The Legislative branch

is the Senate, which consists of three members from each class. The Executive Branch consists of the President, Executive Vice President, Social Vice President, Secre-Business tary. Manager, Publicity Director, Campus Ministries Coordinator, Community Relations Coordinator, and Nontraditional/Commuter Student Coordinator.

Many past student government officers have been affected by their experiences at NNU. Most speak of learning valuable life skills that have been benefi-

cial to their careers and families and spiritual growth.

Several have gone further in leadership. Chuck Wilkes stated this emphasis on leadership in saying, "The learning experiences I had in leading a group of people and learning to move a group in a particular direction have been invaluable."

Mark Bodenstab was also strongly influenced by this as



Powder puff football is an NNU tradition that has held over time as these girls from 1976 show us

Competetive activities have always been of interest. Here students enjoy a game of tug-of-war in the sand pit back in 1988

the Valentines Banquet and Luv Auction were started. The positions of Publicity Director and Non-traditional/Commuter Student Coordinator were added as well. Student government also petitioned for the room now called Clyde's to be used for student use.

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Last year's speaker for Spiritual Emphasis Week, Scott Daniels, was crowned Homecoming King in 1988. His queen was Stacy Stephens.

well. "I learned that a critical spirit never has the same amount of power to influence change as does encouragement and praise." Many of the skills learned in student government have benefited these leaders in their current jobs. For example, Pastor Bob Luhn of the class of 1970 has been able to put these skills to use in the church setting. He says, "As a pastor, you must constantly be working with boards, committees, and differences of opinions. I'm glad to have started getting that experience in college."

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In the world of business, these leadership skills have also come in very handy. Business Manager for two years, Kyle Six

says, "Student government prepared me most for the various adjustments that need to be made for working in a team and being accountable to one another in many different ways. The Business Manager position assisted me in my financial career, not only with the accounting part of the job, but also in keeping up-to-date and accurate records.' Doug Lamm, who was the Chief Justice in 1980 and has entered the business field as well, says of his

student government experiences, "I learned perseverance that assists me daily in the business of my life and in dealing with people." Many of the past leaders have come back to serve on the Board of Regents for NNU. Another theme among the past student government members is building relationships with people.

Kim Robinson, secretary from 1996-98, says of her experience, "It gave me wonderful memories and wonderful friends who I still look forward to hearing from and talking to."

Many are obviously thankful for the relationships that were built during their time here and have continued to build strong bonds. Jami Mittelstaedt says, "...building relationships helped me to develop the skills that I now rely on in everything I do." These past student leaders have gone on to many different walks of life. As you can imagine, they are scattered across the world and have a wide variety of careers.

Several have gone on to work in other Nazarene organizations. For example, Rosco Williamson, who was the student body president for two years, from 1991-93, and also participated in Senate, now works for Point Loma Nazarene University as the Director of Campus Ministries. His job includes leading missions teams all across the world. He's working on his masters in history and will start a Ph.D. in political science next year.

Michelle Rowinski, the social vice president from 1995-96, has also gone on to work in a Nazarene organization. She is the Director of Recruitment and Admissions at Nazarene Theological Seminary.

Kim Robinson, who was secretary for two years 1996-98, is now the Systems Manager for the Church of the Nazarene in the Eurasia Regional Office in Bösingen, Switzerland. She plans to come back to the United States in June to begin a Masters program in social work.

Also, many of these past leaders have been called into ministry. Dan Ketchum is a good example of this. After graduating from NNC, he went on to serve as Director of Youth Ministries at Nazarene headquarters in Kansas City. He was then General NYI president from 1980-85. He served on the General Board during that same time, and also from 1997 to the present. He has also pastored churches in St. Louis, MO, Corvallis, OR, and our very own Nampa College Church. He's married to Carol and has two children, Ryan and Cherie,

Many of the past leaders both who have been heavily involved in student leadership at he Board of Regents for NNU as well.

> Chuck Wilkes, student body president from 1972-73, member of Senate, and associate editor of the Crusader, was also called to the ministry. However, this call came after he had practiced law for 15 years. After graduation, he was a prison guard at the Idaho State prison for two years. He then went on to law school at the University of Denver. For the past five years, he has been a bi-vocational attorney/pastor. He is married and has two children at Mark Bodenstab served NNU. as associate pastor of youth and worship in Oregon and is currently the worship pastor at Newport Church of the Nazarene in Newport, Oregon, where he has served for eight vears.

> Many of the past student government officers have also gone into education. Tim Bunn, who was involved in Senate, and was both student body vice president and president, taught Spanish, history, career education and was a coach at Homedale high school from

Ever since graduation, she has been involved in public education or some form of ministry. She has taught all grades and subjects for kindergarten through seventh grade. She and her husband, Lane, have no children of their own, so she treats her students as if they were her own. They currently work with the college group at Redding First Church of the Nazarene in California.

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Several of NNU's past student leaders are now in other countries. Carlos Antras, who was student body president in 1993-94, went on to get his postgraduate degree in European Business. He is now working for Nestle, Inc. in Frankfurt, Germany and lives in Mainz, Germany. He was recently married to a German woman, Kerstin. He has gone from the finance department to the Logistics/European Supply Chain Management department within Nestle, Inc.

Kyle Six is also in Europe right now. He does finances for the Nazarene Eurasia Region. He and his wife, Carrie, live on the Germany and Switzerland border, right on the Rhine River.



Cheerleaders of the '50s were just as enthusiastic as they are today, although the guys were a little more limber apparently.

1981-87. He went on to the ministry as associate pastor at Karcher Church of the Nazarene. He is now a local pastor at Eagle Church of the Nazarene.

Kristen Dalton, social vice president her junior and senior years, is now teaching at King's Schools in Seattle.

Ray Lindley, who was an Oasis editor in 1963-64, went on to work as a schoolteacher, counselor, high school principal, and school district superintendent. He was also on NNC's faculty and administration from 1978 to 1985.

Lois Zachary, who served as student body vice president in 1963-64 has also been influential in the field of education. NNU has definitely been privileged to have many fine student leaders throughout its history. As the theory of student government has changed and the rights of student leaders have broadened, every council has brought new depth and ideas to the campus, which have made NNU what it is today.

Throughout NNU's history, student government's name has been changed from ASB, Associated Student Body, to ASNNC, Associated Students of NNC. The current council has changed the name again to SGA, Student Government Association. They have also written a mission statement, which is, "to enhance the college experience through



NNC has changed their basketball uniforms over the years. Here is number 33 going for a shot from 3-point land. Actually, this is the homecoming queen of 1956 passing a basketball to start the homecoming game.

Cover Story

Ken Meenach



The Crusader

Ken was president of the Olympian athletic literary society from '37-'38, was on student council, was on the OASIS staff, and was senior class President in '39-'40. Ken was partly influenced to come to NNC because of friends who were here. Also, he found a way to work his way through school by managing the print shop and by doing summer travelling in a quartet for the school called the King's Men Quartet.

He recalls a time when the lights had to be out in the dorm by 10:00 p.m. This meant that many students had to "stretch study time by using portable lights." He says, "Studying in those days, especially for teaching students who had to prepare outlines for the next day, meant moving out to the hall in the dorm under a 40 watt light, in the draft where many caught colds."

Ken has taken on numerous jobs since his time here at NNC. After graduating in 1940, Ken joined the army to fulfill his year of service for the draft. But because of World War II, his service lasted for five and a half years. During his service, he became an officer and for three years was overseas as the Adjutant and Executive Officer of a 600 bed combat hospital.

For thirteen years after his time in the army, Ken was in business and built homes in Seattle. He then became the Alumni Director for NNC and held this position for seven years. Currently, Ken lives in Nampa and is a real estate broker. He is also an active member of Nampa First Church of the Nazarene, where he served as music director for three years.

For Ken, "the greatest influence in student government was in student associations and communication that has lasted down through the years." However, Ken claims that his greatest acquisition at NNC is Evelyn, his wife of 57 years. Ken also says, "I am still a supporter of the school and proud to see it as NNU." Well, Ken, we are glad to have had you as a part of NNU's history.

Noel Riley Fitch

Noel graduated from NNC in 1959 and was on the Oasis yearbook staff all four years she was here, taking on the job of editor her senior year. She recalls that her student government was tight-knit and service-oriented. They were very much a community.

Fitch was a member of the Olympian athletic literary society. She remembers a rich campus life that was enhanced by important speakers from outside NNC, including Senators, governors, rabbis and opera singers.

Fitch lived very near to the campus when she was growing up. She remembers running through the flooded campus lawns as a child and playing basketball in the old gym. She also went to all of the school plays. After such exposure to NNC, she couldn't imagine going to' school anywhere else. After graduating, Fitch went on to earn her masters degree and Ph.D. in literature.

She taught at Eastern Nazarene College, Pasadena (Point Loma) College, and the University of Southern California. At present, she teaches one class a term at the University of Southern California and at the American University of Paris. She considers herself a self-employed writer and biographer.

Fitch has a grown daughter and currently lives in Los Angeles and in Paris during the summer. During her time at NNC, she wrote for the newspaper and edited the yearbook. These tasks were just the beginning of her writing career.

Since then, she has written five books, edited two more, and written dozens of chapters and essays. Also, Fitch and her classmate, Dick Etulain, edited a collection of essays, Faith and Imagination, in honor of their major professor Marian Washburn. Truly, Noel Riley Fitch has accomplished incredible things in her writing career, much of which is due to her involvement here at NNC.

Michelle (Stephens) Rowinski

Michelle served NNC as the Social Vice President from the spring of 1995 to the spring of 1996. She recalls that one of her council's major goals was to "strengthen the communication between NNC students and

the student leadership council."

remembers She Nazarene Student Leadership Conference as being a pivotal event in the life of her council. She says, "Our time at NSLC reminded us that our task as a student government was not to just put on fun activities, go to senate meetings, and be the "all-important student leaders at NNC,' but rather, our task was first to pray for NNC and second to serve the community in whatever capacity or context our particular positions asked of

As Social Vice President, Rowinski



had the difficult job of planning, organizing and implementing fun activities for students. She took this job seriously and worked hard at it. She says of her efforts, "It was a lot of work, but well worth our

time."

Rowinski first came to NNC because she received both a tennis and academic scholarship. "I grew up at NNC and I learned how to think critically," says Michelle. "Without the opportunities to serve on the tennis team and on student government, I don't know that I would have grown as



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much as I did from my experience at NNC.

Even today, NNU is very supportive of student involvement and Michelle is a good example of someone who benefited from her involvement. She says, "Being involved in the activities on campus is key to learning, growing, and loving the college experience."

Rowinski is now married to Jason Rowinski, who she met at NSLC in 1995. He was the student body president of Mount Vernon Nazarene College. They now live in Kansas City, KS. She just received her Masters in Business Administration from MidAmerica Nazarene University and is currently serving as the Director of Recruitment and Admissions for Nazarene Theological Seminary.

Rowinski affirms the positive influence her student government experience had on her in saying, "understanding the kind of organization and work that it takes to coordinate a social event for an entire campus of students has proven to be beneficial in the organization of activities required in my job now." She learned many valuable life skills and says, "student government gave me a safe environment to work, learn, grow and make mistakes." .

Students at NNC in 1981 gather around a familiar sign. Around campus, some things change, while others stay the same. The abundance of girls at NNC seems to be an enduring trait.



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Sports

Women's basketball splits weekend tourney

'Saders defeat Western Montana; fall to LCSC in **Tip-Off Tourney**

by Mary Glaze Crusader News Staff Writer

If you weren't one of the lucky people who were able to see the basketball games this weekend, you missed a good show. NNU's annual tip-off tournament was held on Friday and Saturday, and your Lady Crusaders were anything but dull.

On Friday night at 5:00pm, the excitement began with the Lady 'Saders up against Western Montana College. The first two points of the game went to NNU, but after that it was an uphill battle and midway through the first half the Lady 'Saders were looking to climb their way back

from an eight point deficit before the end of the half. It was a hard climb, but slowly, they found their footing and gained momentum, powered by two crucial three-point shots, one by Staci Carter and another by Chelsey Hall. When the halftime buzzer sounded, the Lady 'Saders had scraped their way back within two points. A halftime score of 45-43 with Western Montana ahead promised an exciting battle in the second half.

With only two points separating the score and twenty minutes remaining to play, this game could have belonged to either team, but the Lady Crusaders rose to the occasion. In an intense second half NNU outscored Western Montana by ten points, resulting in a final score of Western Montana 75, NNU 83. Led by Chelsey Hall's game high seven rebounds, Jaime Smith's game high 20 points and Staci Kirk-Carter's 100 percent three-point shooting (she went three for three from behind the line), the Lady 'Saders had added another victory to their record making it 3-1.

der their belt, the Lady 'Saders had one game standing between them and the tip-off tournament championship trophy. However, the opponent, Lewis-Clark State College, was formidable and the battle would not be easy. Speaking of LC State, head NNU women's basketball coach Roger Schmidt said, "They have a good program over there and they are

"They are always tough." ~Coach Roger Schmidt

always tough." And they certainly were tough.

A halftime score of 34-26 with LC up showed all too blatantly that the Lady 'Saders would have to dig deep and really pick up the intensity if they wanted to come out of this one on top and dig down they did. In the second half, NNU outscored their opponent by seven points but, with three seconds left, a missed shot by Mary Glaze left them one point shy of a victory.

With Friday night's win un- After an exciting, gut-wrenching, crowd-raising forty minutes, the final score of 66-65 gave Lewis-Clark the win and the 1999 Tipoff tournament trophy.

> Ending the weekend 1-1, adding to the team record so far this season of 4-2, the Lady 'Saders walked away disappointed but their heads held high. Two members of the team were honored this weekend. Glaze and

Smith were named to the All-Tournament team.

year's team shows a lot

number five in the nation in the last ranking. The team boasts eleven returning players and only four new members of the team. Returning are five seniors, Jessica Knowlton, Kirk-Carter, Alison Kirk, Glaze and Heather Doncaster. For Knowlton and Kirk-Carter both, this is their fourth year of play for NNU. Hall is also a senior with junior eligability who plans to return next year for her fourth year as a

Crusader.

Two newcomers to the team, Stephanie Imhof and Jaime Smith, have played together since sixth grade and transferred to NNU from Greenriver Community College. They were recruited by NNU after an All-Star game last year. Two freshman, Alysson Kollmann and Shelli Bunn, complete this year's recruited roster.

The team has depth, making them a serious threat to teams with a less competative bench. Said Coach Schmidt, "We're deep enough to play a lot of bodies for a lot of minutes. We're trying to get between four and eight minutes of hard play out of each girl, followed by a rest."

The team would live to play another day. In fact, that day will come this weekend at the homecoming games. If you missed the Tip-off excitement, here's your chance to it make up. Homecoming promises to be an exciting weekend of basketball for both the boys' and the girls' teams.

Get your tickets soon and plan on being a fan...no, no, be a superfan!

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Olympian from Africa finds a place at NNU

by Jon McCoy Crusader News Staff Writer

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In the country of Chad on the African continent, soccer is the most popular sport. Concentrating on soccer before other sports, Doussi Nguerdjeoubel did not start to run competitively until he was 17. By the time he was 19, Doussi was the best runner in Chad in the 800m and earned a scholarship allowing him to come to the United States and compete in the Atlanta Olympics in 1996.

On his way over to America to compete, Doussi did not realize how big the Olympic Games were. He was just planning on coming over to run and then return to his homeland. Now, after being in the United States for. three years and having participated in the '96 Olympics, Doussi will run again in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

After the Games in Atlanta were over, Doussi spent three years studying English. He studied in Atlanta and Virginia and even found the television to be a great help. As this school year approached, Doussi started to become worried that he wouldn't order to participate in the Olympics as a citizen of Chad and train in the United States, he needed to be enrolled in school. Of the three schools to which he applied, only one said that they could use him in their track program. That one was NNU.

"I was worried that I wouldn't be able stay here and prepare for the Olympics. I needed to go to school so I could keep my I-20 and go to Australia." The I-20 is a form needed for international students to attend school in America and return to Chad as a citizen.

"The coach at NNU contacted me about track and field and cross country. That was why I chose NNU." Doussi was not sure what to expect from NNU. As he stepped off the plane, the coach told him that NNU was Christian school and hoped that would not be a problem. "I was excited when I heard that, I wanted to attend a Christian school. That was when I first believed that God had sent me to Northwest Nazarene University. 'Before I met the coach, my

plan was to stay here for a year

find a school. As an athlete, in and transfer to another school. I He was able to find support in his didn't think that I'd like Idaho, or the university. But now I want to stay." He likes the students of the university and people of Idaho.

Doussi will run track this spring and his goal is to break the

school record in the 800m, which is one minute, 50.9 seconds. He participated in **Cross Country** this fall and went with the

team to nationals. He has made will be running for his father. solid friendships with his teammates and they see each other as brothers and sisters. It is because of this Christian unity that he likes it here at NNU.

Because of the Christian atmosphere around this campus, Doussi was given plenty of support by faculty, students and even teammates during some of his darkest days. In October, his father passed away. Doussi could not make it back home to Chad to be with his family during this difficult time. He couldn't sleep at night and he became stressed out with school, running and life.

teammates, friends and faculty, for whom he is very grateful. He plans on going through more preparation for the Games in Australia and, when he makes it to the Olympics next year, Doussi

"I didn't think that I'd like Idaho or the university. But now I want to stay." ~Doussi Nguerdjeoubel

While in Atlanta, Doussi was able to meet famous athletes such as Carl Lewis, Michael Johnson and others. Doussi admires Johnson's speed, but was disappointed by his attitude toward the other athletes. "Carl Lewis shook my hand and was willing to take pictures, but Michael Johnson didn't take time for any of the other athletes."

Before he and the other athletes made the trip to America in 1996, they were told that they may have trouble adjusting to the style of food. "I had no problem really adjusting to the food. I was affected by the climate." Even so, Doussi still misses African food. His favorite African dish is cooked rice with fish done in a special African way. He also misses Ugari, a corn meal, where corn and sauce are cooked separately and then eaten together.

Doussi mentioned some comparisons between America and Chad, showing the vast differences. Chad is a crowded country, though the cities are not as developed as they are in America. They have two television stations and one radio station for the entire country. There is a low education rate because of the lack of money. The religious composition of Chad is far different from that of the United States; Chad is 50 percent Muslim, 35 percent Christian, and 15 percent nonreligious.

Doussi has grown to like some American food, luckily since he will have to put up with it for the next three years he plans to be in the United States. He may miss some of his sophomore year because of the Olympics, but he will not be transferring from NNU. God has brought him here and here he plans to stay.

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by Robin Day Sport Editor

Every year, the female football fans on campus break out their cleats and take to the field for the annual Powder Puff football tournament. This year, five teams showed up on Saturday to battle for the championship tshirts

The tournament was a double elimination all-day marathon of football. Most teams had

recruited regular season football players to coach. Everyone was looking to topple the two-time champions, the Hustlers, from their throne.

The first game of the day matched the Hoods up against a freshman team, who forfeited, giving the Hoods an easy win and an unlooked for first round bye.

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tlers dominated the Dainties, but the Dainties managed to score a

The Hoods took on a freshning in a big way, 18-0.

Another freshman team was the next to fall to the Hustlers, putting up a good fight, but still losing. The Dainties and the Hot Wings were the next to take the field. An earlier injury left the Hot Wings short players, making it necessary to borrow from other

teams. The Dainties won the encounter, crossing the goal two times and getting the extra point once. They advanced onto the next round against the freshman team, winning that encouner as well, again with two touchdowns. Hustlers took to the field again, this time against the Hoods. Hustlers rolled over their opponents, winning 12-0 and securing their spot in the final game. The Hoods moved to play the Dainties. In one of the day's closest games, the Hoods

against the undefeated Huslters. The Hoods forfeited the game to the Hustlers, leaving them champions of the field and undefeated for three years straight. Alison

Kachel of the Hot Wings commented, "I had a lot of fun! I just wish that we'd had a long season like the guys did, not just one Saturday.'

Kari Buckendorf and Dana Grierson enthused, "Powder Puff this year was the best experience of our whole college career. But the aftermath feels like we got hit by a semitruck. . . . twice!"

Hats off to all the girls who won, 13-6, and moved to __turned out on Saturday for the __own legend. See va'all next year! ______ play in the final game ______ fun and to all the guys who vol-_______



of Katie Betts during one of Saturday's games

various teams. Special recognition goes out to Sanchi Dean and Kevin Allen, three-year coaches of the undefeated Hustlers. And congrats to the Hustlers, who are well on their way to creating their



t-shirts made especially for Saturday's tournament.

Next up were the Hustlers,

who even had their own t-shirts made for the occasion. The Husgoal before the final whistle.

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The Crusader

Sports

First year cross country team does well at nationals

by Ian Manyfingers Crusader News Staff Writer

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"Excellence is the result of caring more than what others think is wise, risking more than others think is safe. Dreaming more than others think is practical and expecting more than oth-



Freshman Brice Roncace crosses the finish line in one of the season's earlier races.

ers think is possible."

Excellence is what the NNU men's cross country team did over the weekend at nationals. The team finished 20th out of 28 teams which qualified for the nationals in Kenosha, Wisconsin. It was excellent for the Cross Country team that has come back to NNU after a 17 year ab-

sence and to prove to be one of the best teams in the nation. The team went into the national meet as the underdog and came to challenge the best of the best coming, out with a smashing performance in the 1999 NAIA National Cross Country Championships. The NNU men's Cross

Country team had outstanding individual performances. The seven guys who powered the team each showed a great performance by busting up a challenging 8 km course. Sophomore Ryan Jensen stopped the clock at 25:37, placing 37th out of a field of 236 runners. He was 10

seconds from being an All-American. An outstanding runner, Jensen is an All-Conference star. He showed a great performance leading the team in nationals. All-Conference star Aaron Matthias finished 104th with a time of 26:38. Matthias was in the top 20 for freshman to run across the line. Freshman Ian Manyfingers had a personal best time of 26:47 placing 118. Olympic 800m runner Doussi Nguerdjeoubel placed 154th with a time of 27:26. It was a great performance by the professional 800m to run 8000m. Freshman 1500m Oregon high school state champ Ben Wornell placed 170 with a

time of 27:40. Freshman stud Shane Marshall placed 174th with a time of 27:47. Senior Matt Sanders ran the best race of his life, running his fastest 8 km time of 29:28, placing 213th.

In addition to placing 20th in the nation, the NNU men's cross country team beat the Conference champions Eastern Oregon in the



Cross country team. *I-r front row;* Matt Sanders, Ryan Jensen, Doussi, Ian Manyfingers *back row;* Shane Marshall, Aaron Mathias, Ben Wornell, Coach Dalzell

with meet.

NNU cross country coach Randy Dalzell has trained a solid team this season. The team could not have done it without him. He motivated and propelled the team to the next level. The team has a great coach who will continue to improve runners' performances in the year 2000.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me a crown of righteousness."

II Timothy 4:7&8

Intramural football over; Other Guys Champs!

by Craig Craker Crusader News Staff Writer

Last week the Intramural Football Playoffs got under way with the What Nots playing Everybody Else. The What Nots got touchdowns from Johnny Hampton and Josh Hodges, but Hodges, who was up for player of the year, dropped two wouldbe touchdowns.

Everybody Else got touchdowns from Shawn Cleave, Jon Vanderpool, Jesse Ledbetter and Nathan Vanderpool. They also got extra-points from Jeremy Lunde, and two from Ledbetter. Everybody Else rolled on to the second round with the 27-12 win. In the second game it was the West Canaan Coyotes taking on the Smooth Operataz. The Coyotes looked sleepy as they barely

ground out the win 18-7. Dave Oliver, Ryan Hammer and Ryan Brown all had touchdowns. The Operataz only touchdown came from Jason George with Chris "Andy" Van Slyke getting the extra point.

In the third game of the day, the Bronco Haters took on Team Sutherland. The Haters crushed Team Sutherland 36-13. Scoring touchdowns for the Haters were Dan Marchant, Jesse Franklin, Jeremy Franklin and two from Jeff

Kern. Curt Pentacost caught three twopoint conversions and Chris Niehaus added an extra point. For Team Sutherland, D a n Wilcott and Steve Grifhad fin touch-

downs, and Big Levi Williams caught an extra point.

The two semifinal games featured The Other Guys vs. Everybody Else, and The Bronco Haters vs. The West Canaan Coyotes. In the first game, the Other Guys walked all over Everybody Else, beating them 47-0. Scoring for the Other Guys were Eric Manley, Sanchai Dean with two, Eric "Ox" Mann, Jeremy Riehl, Kevin Allen and James Robinson. Rob Russell threw for over 200 yards passing and had three touchdown passes. Dean also had a two-point conversion and an extra point. Allen added a two-point conversion. In the other semifinal

The Bronco Haters used a lot of luck and interesting calls by the referees to get into the championship, in a game marred by fighting. Chris Niehaus and Jeremy Franklin provided the scoring with runs from five, fifteen and twenty yards out. The Coyotes got touchdowns from Dave Oliver and Ryan Brown, but could not come back as they lost 20-12. Oliver suffered a possible career ending injury when Brian



Chris Niehaus is sprints towards the goal with J.B. Downie and a teammate in close pursuit. Niehaus' team, the Bronco Haters finished in 2nd place this year.

Shoemaker tackled him, causing him to tear his MCL and meniscus.

In the Championship game, heavily favored Other Guys got out on top early against the Bronco Haters. Rob Russell bowled over the defense, running in the game's first touchdown to make it 6-0. Sanchai Dean followed with a two-point conversion to make it 8-0. Brian York for the Haters then caught a touchdown pass to make it 8-6.

Midway through the second half, Trevor Gunstream blocked a pass at midfield for the Haters, and Brian Shoemaker caught it and rumbled 50-yards for the touchdown, putting the Haters on top 13-8 following a Curt Pentacost extra point. Late in the game though, Russell led the Other Guys on a late charge before handing the ball off to Dean who scrambled 30 yards for what turned out to be the game winning touchdown.

After a goal line stand by the Other Guys, the game was over as they were the new champions following the 15-13 victory. So if you see anybody from the Other Guys, be sure and congratulate them. To everyone else, don't worry, there is always next year.



Ryan Pike is chased down by Chris Niehaus, Jessie Franklin and Andy Nielson of The Bronco Haters.

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The NNU Crusaders Women's Volleyball team headed out two weekends ago to take on the top six teams in the Cascade Conference. Concordia College, Southern Oregon University, Albertson College, Western Baptist College and Oregon Institute of Technology participated with NNU in the final showdown of the top conference teams this season

Going into the tournament ranked second, the Crusaders had a first round bye and played the winner of the match between Southern Oregon and Oregon Tech. The Raiders of SOU won tournament, the Crusaders were

and were the first opponents of our Crusaders.

The Raiders proved they were a tough match for the Crusaders and handed NNU its first loss in conference play in over a month. This loss knocked NNU down into the losers bracket with only a hope to take third place. Next the Crusaders took on

Western Baptist in a match for third and fourth place. This match proved to be extremely important because its winner would advance into postseason regional play and the loser would go home until next season. The Crusaders picked up their play and conquered the Warriors in three games

Seniors Lisa Erickson and Tabitha Shipman were both named to first team All-Conference honors while Jessica Ackley was named to the Honorable Mention conference team.

Because of their success, the Crusaders were able to receive an at-large bid to the regional tournament held this past weekend at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho

After a disappointing previous weekend at the conference stepping into the regional tournament this past weekend as underdogs. The Crusaders (29-8, #21 in the nation) came into the tournament as the fifth seed behind Lewis-Clark State College, Western Oregon University, Concordia College and Southern Oregon University. The only team ranked below them was Carroll College (Montana).

Sports

'Sader volleyball team qualifies for nationals

Because of seeding, NNU was placed in a pool with Western Oregon University (#3 in teh nation) and Southern Oregon University (#23 in the nation). The Crusaders played their regional opener on Thursday night against WOU.

The Crusaders easily handled Wester, n beating them in four games 15-10, 15-8, 7-15 and 15-3. Led by four hitters in double figures for kills, the Crusaders had a season high 79 kills for the four game match.

Shipman led the team with 21 kills and seven blocks, followed closely by Erin Hellberg. Hellberg had a wonderful night hitting, racking up a career high 20 kills. Louise Free also added 15 kills, while Michelle Phillips provided 13. Setter Erickson obtained a season high 65 assists, while adding 20 digs and three aces. Defensively, the Crusaders were lead by conference standout Jessica Ackley with 25 digs and three aces.

The Crusaders then headed on to compete with conference rival Southern Oregon University. The 'Saders were 1-2 against the Raiders for the season, and had to play the Raiders for the first place standing in their pool. Finally, after five games, NNU pulled out the win 15-7, 13-15, 12-15, 15-11, 15-5

The two evenly matched teams fought for the chance to advance into tournament play and a chance to represent the Pacific Northwest Region at the National Tournament in Fresno, Both teams are California. strong defensively, but it was the offensive fire-power of the Crusaders that won the match.

Shipman and Phillips lead the team once again in kills, with 28 and 22 kills respectively. Hellberg added 12 and Rachel Roberts eight. As a whole, the Crusaders dug 111 hits with Ackley leading the individual statistics with 28.

Roberts, Erickson, Phillips, John and Jamie Butler-Dawson

each racked up double figures in the digging category. Due to this win, NNU was one game away from making it to the regional championship game, but first they had to face Carroll College.

The only team to beat the regional champions so far in the tournament, Carroll College was an offensive and defensive powerhouse. The Crusaders handled Carroll well, beating them in four games 15-3, 12-15, 15-7 and 18-16.

In game four of the match, the Crusaders fought from a 10-14 deficit to come back and win the match. This win clenched the opportunity for the Crusaders to make their fourth consecutive appearance at the NAIA women's volleyball national tournament.

After a disappointing loss to Lewis-Clark State College in the championship match, the 'Saders are seeded seventh going into the national tournament. Nationals will be held the first week in December at Fresno Pacific College in Fresno, California.

Thanks once again for all the fan support during the season. The Crusaders never could have done it without this community's support.

Men's basketball

Crusader's win opening games at home

by Jeremy Stockett

Crusader News Staff Writer

The men's basketball team started out their season with two. big wins this weekend, including an emotional victory over rival Albertson College of Idaho to claim the championship of the U.S. Bank Tip-off Tournament.

The Crusaders earned the right to play for the Tip-off tournament championship by defeating Whitman College on Friday night 84-72. Things started out slowly for the 'Saders, who trailed 32-30 going into halftime. It was a close game until the defensive intensity of juniors Matt Warner and Kelly Herron helped spark an 18-3 run midway through the second half. Big dunks by senior Jon "the body' Bussell and sophomore James the hot hand for the Crusaders, pouring in 20 points and grabbing 15 boards. Sophomore Josh Cooprider chipped in 15 points.

In the championship game the Crusaders faced Albertson College of Idaho. ACI couldn't match the intensity or the depth of NNU early on, and the 'Saders went up by 16 at the half.

In the second half ACI chipped away at the NNU lead, reducing it to three points on a deep three-pointer by Jeremiah Jones. Senior Eli Effinger responded with a trifector of his own, stealing the Coyotes' momentum

ACI was forced to foul coolhanded Cooprider, who iced the victory with two perfect freethrows. The final score was 74-67. Cooprider led the way with 16 points, including four threes. The body" Bussell added 15 points to earn the MVP award for the tournament.

The season is starting off well for the 'Saders who have eight new and only six returning team members. Their next games will be the Homecoming games this



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Opinions

Room for Improvement: being less judgemental

by Armarna Raynolds Crusader Opinions Writer

A while ago, I walked into a fellow classmate's room. As we began to chat, I brought up in passing that I had met someone on campus. As we discussed further, I realized that they didn't know who I was talking about, so I described my new acquaintance. Once they recognized who he was, they almost shrieked out, "Oh! THAT guy."

THAT guy?

Curious of their tone, I ques-

tioned their reaction. They proceeded to tell me that they had seen him around and continued to discuss their views of him with me. I found that they were oblivious to the fact that they were being cruel; they spoke of their opinion like it was a matter of fact. They were making these assumptions about a person who they had never met nor even spoken to - just "seen around." left the room feeling slightly betrayed. This was a professing Christian, and they were being

judgmental. It wasn't that I was shocked or surprised by this. It was more the fact that I was hurt. This man couldn't be more opposite of what their opinions of him were;

he is a complex, intelligent, caring individual; someone who I consider to be a beautiful human

being. And this person, in their ignorance, was in essence missing out by not getting to know him. This is not

the only such incident that I have experienced here at college. I have heard various stories. Sto-

ries that included everything from being treated poorly because of their past histories, to being laughed at or mocked because of their spirituality, to being alienated and abandoned by the people they thought they could trust most in a time of need.

That human desire for understanding has been in almost every one of these situations. Every sadness that these people hold within their hearts could have been avoided if just a handful of people showed concern and compassion -- if they sat and listened instead of passing judgements from afar

A year ago, I entered the campus as a new Christian, expecting to find a college filled with love and acceptance. I have come to the harsh realization that

qualities. Instead, we judge one another on how we look, who we

As most of us have recited through grade school at one point or another, shouldn't we do unto others as we would have them do unto us?

> hang out with, or whether we're Christian or not; open arms and embraces are not included in our equation

'Narrow Road" best describes people's perceptions of reality, and some seem to have no desire to widen it. We collectively refuse to step out of our Christian comfort zone, taking the time to quote from the Bible, but not living what we preach.

I don't even look at this as a Christian issue, but rather one of humanity: I am concerned. It seems as though we lack the knowledge to move past bound-

many people do not possess these aries and just plain love each other. I watch and observe while more and more people are com-

plaining of this very issue all around the campus, and I ponder why this is such a hard and heavy topic for us. Shouldn't it be

natural? As most of us have recited through grade school at one point or another, shouldn't we do unto others as we would have them do unto us? Aren't we to be a living example to those around us?

The simple act of kindness toward a person can go a lot further than arguing our opinions and beating to death that they must be wrong. We have no concept of who a person is, what he/ she feels, or what he/she feels have been through. We have no right.

I would like to assure you

that I am not trying to attack the populous; this is an issue that a lot of us don't want to face up to because, in truth, we all do it myself included. I am not saying that we are jointly a pitiful campus without any hope

On the contrary. Taking another view, there are several people here on campus who have no barriers on themselves - they talk to everyone, are nice to everyone, are friends with everyone. Perhaps you know a few. Chances are that you do. All that I am stressing is that we should be aware of our actions and our thoughts.

So, the next time that you see someone who you wouldn't otherwise associate with, keep in mind that they, like you, are a human being. Then take the time to say, "Hi.

'A closed mind will leave you empty - use your mind to use your soul."

"All That is Good"--Five Iron Frenzy



Letter to Editor

Dear Editor:

The Crusader should once again be lauded for delving into news that is controversial, especially on a conservative campus like NNU. I was impressed by two articles in your October 26th issue. However, I must stress some disagreement with one and make a comment on another.

First, Ms. Heather Oglevie's article "Klu Klux Klan gather, unmask in New York" was very well done and presented a very real case of reverse-hatred. However, her last statment that the protesters showed more hatred than the KKK suprised me. Perhaps in that one incident it was

were in the wrong. But please don't ever forget that the KKK has historically been on the giving end of immense hatred of the worst kind.

I am a fairly liberal law student, believing in each person's right to believe whatever they want without me judging him/ her, but I still have huge problems with organizations that tout such hateful words about other people.

Which leads to my second thought. Ms. Amy Oglevie's article on the Christian homosexual conference was excellent. My concern is that students and faculty will focus on the faulty logic of Rev. Fred Phelps. I was outraged not only that "Christians" taunted mourners at a funeral, but also by the analogy Oglevie true, in which case the protesters _ made comparing homosexuality _ NNC Class of 1996

to a crime: "Does a judge send the crime or the criminal to jail?" I hope the NNU community will forget this and focus on the fact that opposing sides are meeting to understand each other in a positive setting.

Yeah, I'm a radical. When it comes to discrimination in any way, shape or form, I can't begin to express how sick I feel. It's expecially upsetting when this comes from my fellow "Christians."

Hopefully NNU is growing not only as an institution, but as a place of devoid of discrimination and hatred. Let's leave this world better for our membership in this amazing community.

Shane Bunn

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A freshman's thoughts: what I've learned so far

what to expect from any classes

by Jayson Grenn Crusader Opinions Writer

Once in a while a little bit what I call wisdom (and everyone else calls hot air) slip from my head— an example of such is the analogy that I have often extended regarding the sine curve. It is an infinite wave, ranging back and forth from one to negative one. One, of course, represents the good times, and negative one is, accordingly, the dumps.

We all go through the trials and tribulations of life, the highs and the lows, good times and bad. Myself, I don't really have any desire to experience the highest of the highs if it means also falling down to the lowest of the lows (negative one). I prefer to hover more or less around the zero area. I feel more like the function f(x) = $[\sin(x)]/4.$

That is the same amount of highs and lows, only with lesser extremes. (Right math majors?) Now, as one of the 300 plus new freshmen on campus, I think it's about time someone gives a report of what my, and maybe others, life has gone through in the last 59

So the first couple of days

ruined me. Of course I was having the time of my life here for the first week, week and half. I'm on my own, great people, good times, I still feel that I have retained at least something of an intellect from high school, etc, etc. My roommate furnished our dorm room with some really cool items that are of better quality than some things at my house (Tangent: I am compiling a list of all the stuff we have in our room and to whom it belongs. The lopsidedness is dizzying.) I met all kinds of people on my floor, fraternized with the boys, socialized with the girls, rubbed elbows with the higher-ups.

Things were going well, I was riding high; but I was not fooled. I was well aware that things couldn't continue like this for a couple reasons, the primary being that good things happen to good people...and I am not good people. Or maybe I'm just a person with bad luck. Either way, bad things happen to me.

blind man going in, not knowing

So then classes start— I'm a

in terms of difficulty, workload and class requirements. I walked into the fire a little apprehensive about getting in over my head. Sure as rain (not in Nampa, though), eight short weeks into it and I am on the verge of setting my books ablaze in the hallway. There is just too much homework. It consumes my life like the flames of hell consume the souls of those eternally damned to the underworld. It is literally all I do- besides write e-mails to complain about it (but I wake up extra early on Saturday mornings for that purpose alone).

I missed class for the first time on my third Wednesday morning. I was up till four or so doing the homework of which I spoke, and woke up to the several alarms (my roommate's) that went off (he likes the "snooze"). The alarm I set too went off, but I was so tired that I ventured to bypass breakfast for the first time ever in order to get that last hour of sleep. Next thing I know I wake up to the cordless phone (roommate's) and it is this guy Bill, wanting to come over to type

a paper on (roommate's) computer. "This early?" I ask. He replies that it's 11:50 am. Oh wow, I thought, my first 8-hour sleep since summer.

But I also learned that to some extent, we are all taken care of- you just have to find the right angle of perception. Take me for example (the only real example I know): Coming here, in some respects, is the best thing that has happened to me since my mom potty trained me. There are people who make food for me three times every day (except Sunday), albeit not as good quality and in accordance with rigid serving hours.

I have found ways to get by using revolutionary mental strategies. Hungry but don't have any money? Don't eat- you only think you are hungry. Tired, but have to pull an all-nighter to finish the homework due tomorrow? Don't sleep— you only think you are tired. Haven't gone to the bathroom in four days? There is nothing mental about that. You're constipated and you need to do something about that immediately.

Coming here, in some respects, is the best thing that has happened to me since my mom potty trained me.

Sure, sure, things are rough now, but like I said, they were good before, and at the risk of sounding like an optimist instead of a realist, they are bound to pick up at some point. I'm not really concerned about it. In fact, most of us are going to experience the same at least once, and while some will get it worse than others, remember that it is all part of the game. And if worse comes to worst my friend Jeff and I are planning on becoming bums after we blow all of our funds on college and are accepting applications from now until then.

Out of my Mind



Gene will be sharing his insights with Crusader readers. His articles will appear bi-weekly beginning with the

by Gene Schandorff University Chaplain

The most fun I've ever had in chapel was shooting Carey Cook with a spray bottle. After chapel last Monday I received one chapel card from a person who thought it wasn't Christian to call jerks "Jerks," and two from guys who wanted to know "Why the jerks get the girls?" I tried to explain that this was one of life's mysteries, like the doctrine of the Trinity or the reason there's an "AS IS" section at the Deseret Thrift Store. I suggested that it might be some consolation to know that they probably wouldn't want the girls who go for the jerks anyway. (By the way, every guy on the planet knows this is not true.) And I did hear the other day that things have gotten a little bit better in the cafeteria.

After I took the uniform and the spray bottle back to Marriott and answered all the chapel mail, I settled back to enjoy life in the better world that my elo- sage about Christians respecting quent preach-

So here's the

ing had ushered into existence. NOT!

The fact is question of the that no matter week: Are there how eloquent my message any disciples of may have been. we still have a Jesus on this long way to go in our pursuit campus at all? of the kind of community

Kingdom of God. Students still come to this place from differing backgrounds and are treated with differing degrees of respect.

I'm thinking specifically of those among us who represent "minority religious traditions." We can be down-right brutal when it comes to our treatment of persons whose faith is expressed differently than our own. I've heard more than one report of a student saying, "You're a _____ _!" (Fill in the religious tradition that makes you most uncomfortable.) "What are you doing made comparing hom sentsman

I'm reminded of one of the most disheartening notes I've ever received on a chapel card. I'd said something in my mespeople. I sus-

> pect that I meant people. I received chapel card from a mature Christian student with these troubling words, "Gene,

all

people have that reflects the values of the to earn our respect!" That's about as un-christian as anything I've ever heard.

> As I consider the life of Jesus I'm aware that there were a few people who managed to loose his respect, but it seems that there was no one who needed to earn it. Jesus showed respect to Jews, Samaritans, Tax collectors, Hookers, thieves, even an occasional religious leader.

So here's the question of the week: Are there any disciples of Jesus on this campus at all? And if there are, how can there be people who live among us and feel unwanted? The answer to the first question is, "Of course there ares" The answer to

the second is that we disciples so feebly follow in the footsteps of the Master. Jesus really understood the whole respect thing. Sometimes, I fear, his disciples really don't.

Here are two brief thoughts to carry you into the season of giving Thanks.

First, people whose beliefs differ from your own are still worthy of your respect. Second, people whose religious traditions differ from your own have something to teach you. If the idea of learning from someone who sees life from a different perspective troubles you, then the real question is "What are YOU doing here?"

When I suggested last Monday that NNU ought to be "A place where everybody is treated well all of the time," I really did mean "everybody," and I really did mean "all of the time." I meant that the person whose religious tradition you find most difficult to respect is the very person who deserves to be respected and to have a positive experience in a community that dares to call itself Christian

Oh, by the way, Have a great Thanksgiving.

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Staff Infection

Our freshman year it wasn't around. .. It has been around at least six...You have to be asked...do you have a date for Homecoming...I haven't hit rock bottom yet ... I'm a pig ... First I want to correct that mistake ... then all three of us are gonna die ... did you get kissed ... is he hot?...let me guess--RANDY TRAVIS...I have had the best day in my life..we go in and I am like hallelujah...personality. anyways...she goes "Who are you guys talking about?" na, na na...his brother is married...I could totally get kissed, I just know it...I'm not lying ... we walked in and he was the hottest cowboy in the place...He is like a freshman in highschool...I know how embarrising is that?..the year was 1979... He got kicked out and my aunt took over the Presidency...Spurs, that's what I need to ge: girls...what kind of pizza do you want ... I am going crazy ... To be or not to be a flirt, that is the question ... why, why, why... I don't have a roommate ... my nosefeels dry and boogery and I would like to pick it...I don't remember at all...does everyone realize that it's 2:00...lets not bring it up... I was sleeping with my lampshade in my bed.

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The Insyderz bring mixed blessings to listeners



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This is not your parents' worship CD. In fact, this album of praise songs by The Insyderz may only appeal to a select few teens and young adults. The songs are a mix of contemporary and traditional, but the

style is anything but old-fashioned. Those who are familiar with the first Skalleluia album will understand what I mean.

original The Skalleluia CD had its good and bad aspects. First, the positive. It provided a creative, upbeat worship album that would appeal to adolescents. Also The Insyderz have excellent horn players which really add to the

songs. Unfortunately, Joe Yerke, the lead singer for the band, has his own unique style of singing. In fact, his approach

to singing has been referred to as loud, growling, annoying and off-key, and some say he even sounds like Popeye.

As of yet, though, I don't believe that the terms melodic or beautiful have been used. In a way, his singing does fit in with the "ska" music, but on the other hand, the "growling" makes it hard to worship to the music. I really enjoy The Insyderz other CDs with just their original songs. So in a way, I had hoped that Skalleluia was just a creative, one-time idea, and that the band would stick to writing their own songs

When I heard that Skalleluia Too was being made, I told myself that if it was basically the same as the first, then I probably would not spend my money on it. I borrowed the album from a friend to do the review, and right now the jury is



still out.

I believe Yerke has grown and matured as a singer since the first Skalleluia, for there is



much less growling and even some moments where he does some great vocals. Still, there are times when the singing detracts and even distracts from the music.

There are more positives however. For some of the songs The Insyderz borrowed a keyboard player as well as other horn players, which add nicely to the music and make a much fuller sound. The creativity of the band is very apparent, topped by a Dixieland version of "The Old Rugged Cross," on which the music and horn playing is excellent. Unfortunately, Sang Kim, the trombonist for The Insyderz, is the guest singer for the song, and his singing makes Yerke sound like Pavarotti.

The Insyderz do a fairly good job on "In The Secret," but it doesn't match up to Sonic Flood's version. One of my favorites on the disc is "I Could Sing of Your Love Forever."

The Insyderz do without the driving guitar for once and substitute it with a keyboard, which balances nicely with the horns. Even the singing is complimentary. All together it is a very nice arrangement on an awesome praise song.

The band also does nice work on "Shout to the Lord," aside from the annoying synthesized garbage that plays in the background. The song begins softly and gradually builds to an emotionally charged, worshipful climax.

'Steadfast Love" is a groovin' swing tune with great music, but again the singing is marginal. However, the trumpet, trombone and drum solos are awesome, even though it was interesting that they chose 'Steadfast Love" for a rocking drum solo.

Another interesting decision that the band made was to turn Rich Mullin's "Step by Step" into a rock/ska number. The song is still entertaining, and there is a great trombone solo, but the worshipfulness and emotion of the song are ruined. However, The Insyderz do an excellent job on the final number, "Pour Out My Heart," arranging a very beautiful and worshipful song, again ditching the electric guitar for the keyboard.

I apologize if I've appeared judgmental in how to or not to worship the Lord. Obviously there are no rules for worship, and God above adores it all if it is genuine. I suppose that there are those of you out there who can relate best to this type of music and find other praise and worship music boring.

Are The Insyderz great musicians? Yes. Are they creative with a wide variety of styles? Yes. Do they worship the Lord with this album? Yes. Now, the real question. Would I spend my money on this album? I honestly cannot decide.



Random answers from random people on random issues:

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Do you have any questions about Homecoming?

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Brandon Hill Sophomore Gen. Studies Randolph, WI

"Yes. Jodie Yoder, will you come to Homecoming with me? I think you are a sweetheart."



Sophomore Tom Andrews Sacramento, CA Gen. Studies

"How in the world am I gonna ask my Homecoming date to Homecoming while I am on a horse drawn carriage with the beautiful evening sunset glistening in my Homecoming date's





Christi Gage Denver, CO

"I don't have anyone in mind. I'm available 8098.'

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The World is

not Enough

Starring

Pierce Brosnan

Reviewed by

Jonathan Brown

Crusader Rating

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in the theatres right now, but only

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I know, when I first heard about Music of the Heart I said "Oh the female version of Mr. Holland's Opus," just like the rest of you. I even saw a great interview with Gloria Estefan about the film and I still wrote the movie off.

Despite my threats of snoring in the theater, my persuasive mother dragged me to see this movie. Yeah, I gave in to the mother-daughter bonding plea and I have to say that I was glad that I was wrong.

Music of the Heart was a great film. For those of you who have

it interested me when I heard about it. First, in every Bond movie, the plot twists and no one can really tell who the bad guy (or girl) is until the end when Bond finds himself in a precarious situ-

ation. Second, Pierce Brosnan is an actor one just has to love. In a few words, he's a stud, For some who have never seen

Bond movies, it would still be interesting and would draw in the viewer. On the other hand, one could easily leave the movie disgusted. This is why, before one watches a Bond movie for the first time, one should knowsome of the reoccurring themes in most Bond movies, if not all. One of these themes is the

abundant violence. Now to some that is not repulsive, but to others it is. I hate to say this, but the violence is not is gratuitous, so to speak. (This is not to justify violence, but to say that the violence does not occur in the fashsion of st "shoot'em up" movies.)

Another "theme" is that of sexual promiscuity. That is to say, Bond does not take a vow of abstinence in his line of work. If one

can get past, or ignore, those two themes, the Bond movies are fun and interesting to watch.

For James Bond, the World is Just Not Enough

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The plot in The World is not Enough is laid out very well. The action starts almost as soon as the movie starts. James Bond, who is played by Pierce Brosnan, is a British spy whose code name is 007

Bond is playing the part of a banker at the beginning, and there is to be an exchange of money between him and another man (lets just call him the bad banker). The 'bad banker" procedes to tell Bond that he just wanted the money to get into the right hands and is about to willingly hand Bond a briefcase full of money.

Bond was not satisfied with that, and threateningly asks the man whom he works for. Of course the man does not tell him, and reminds Bond that he is outnumbered. Like most heroes, Bond manages to make an extravagant getaway. (You'll have to see the movie to get more detail about that.) He did not leave empty- handed, but he grabbed the suitcase that held the money.

... the plot far outweighs the negative aspects of the movie, and it turns out to be an enjoyable experience.

Soon Bond finds that the money was rigged to attempt an assassination, which turns out to be successful

From that point on so many villains get thrown at you that you cannot figure out who the mastermind is. When you think you know, the reality will probably surprise you.

One of the villains was created with a lot of originality. (I will not ruin the experience of watching the movie by telling his name or his standing in the hierarchy of villains, but I will describe him.)

Apparently, people in the same organization as Bond shot him in the head. The only problem was that he did not die. The villain went to the doctor, who could not remove the bullet. He killed the doctor, out of rage, and went on his way.

Over time, the bullet moved deeper into his brain, closer to his medulla oblongata. During that time, he lost all feeling in his body. So at the time the movie takes place, Bond is up against someone who does not feel pain. The villain is also willing to give his life for his cause, knowing that death is imminent since the bullet will eventually go too deep and kill him.

Overall The World is not Enough is a movie that all action/ suspense lovers should see.

Like I mentioned before, Bond is too suave for his sake, and fornication does take place, more than once. In the end, the plot far outweighs the negative aspects of the movie, and it turns out to be a rather enjoyable experience. If you ever need something to do and have money, I highly recommend this movie.

"Music" plucks at your heart strings

heard of a little known actress named Meryll Streep, it will come as no surprise to you that she made the movie. For the rest of the cinema-impaired I feel it is my duty to lightly suggest that you should see this film! It is simply screaming Oscar. You will want to say that you have seen this movie, trust me.

Streep plays a single mother of two young boys who is trying to get her life on track. The two roles that she knows are Navy wife and violin expert. Her Navy wife days are over, so the violin is her only option. Through a series of circumstances she finds herself teaching. violin to inner city grade school students in New York

The movie chronicles her struggles and achievements with her program and the students she teaches. Eventually her program is faced with termination because of lack of funding. (Like I said, Mrs. Holland's Opus.)

Well not exactly, the beauty of this movie lies in the growth of Meryll as a woman, mother, and teacher. Her relationship with her sons is complex and very touching. Their growth as a family is as important to the film as the music is. Her struggles with romance also add to the picture of her humanity. I can not say enough about Streep's character, she was so good.

The movie also saw the film debut of Gloria Estefan. Her role was small, but she was good. Angela Basset played the hardnosed principal to Streep and was equally enjoyable. The casting was great and the characters made the film move quickly.

In short, this movie was beautiful and moving. The story was complex with great character development. I would also venture to say that one would not walk away with the cheesy feel good attitude. The movie reveals humanity in its beauty. I honestly think anyone would

eniov it.

This movie is not chick-flick or a band geek movie. It is just a great story and the best part about it is that it is true. The movie is the real life story of a violin teacher in New York, make sure to stay and watch the credits in order to see the candids of the real lady. Great acting, beautiful music, and a true story, what is not to like? I would recommend this film to everyone without hesitation. I guess we should listen to our mother's every once in awhile.

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Entertainment

The three amigos find more yummy food at Roque's



The Crusader

A few weeks ago, Kara Lyons, Monica Olson, and I had lunch at Madhuban's Indian Restaurant in Boise. Assuming that it would be unlikely for us to have a second food reviewing experience quite as successful as the first, we were pleasantly surprised to discover Roque's Restaurante Mexicano in Boise.

Roque's is a small, charming restaurant that can boast a friendly, attentive staff

and authentic, as one waitress put it, "real" Mexican food.

It must be admitted that the drive to Roque's was distinctly inferior to that of our previous experience. The pink truck that had provided so much amusement on the drive to Madhuban was left in the Morrison parking lot and we were forced to ride in a less exciting vehicle. Despite this initial setback, the evening proved to be quite enjoyable.

Roque's is located in a small, unassuming building on West State Street in Boise. Despite the restaurant's simply decorated interior, Roque's produces a surprisingly welcome atmosphere. As soon as we walked in, Tony, the friendly manager, immediately greeted us and we were seated at a small table near the door. Antonio, our waiter, was also very friendly and even made an effort to learn our names.

The restaurant clearly has quite a few regular patrons. Even though we were there fairly early on a Tuesday evening, within 15 minutes of our arrival nearly every table

was filled. There was also a constant stream of people picking up take-out orders.

The entrees at Roque's included everything from typical Mexican dishes such as fajitas and burritos to more exotic house specialties such as Huachinango a la Veracruzana, a red snapper fillet sautéed with onions, garlic and jalapenos in light red sauce. The prices of entrees ranged from around \$8.00 to \$12.00. Although to a college student this may seem a bit pricey, after eating a meal at Roque's you will discover that it is definitely worth the price.

The quality of food is excellent at Roque's. Monica ordered pollo poblano, sliced chicken breast sautéed with fresh poblano chiles, garlic, cilantro, onions and spices served in Salsa Verde. I enjoyed a chicken suiza enchilada, shredded chicken enchiladas sautéed in a spicy Verde Sauce, topped with Monterey Jack cheese and cilantro.

However, it was Kara's chicken fajita burrito that we agreed to be the highlight of the evening. As Kara eloquently stated with her mouth full of burrito, "I'm tasting flavors that I don't normally taste at Taco Bell."

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The serving sizes are enormous. Despite our impressive appetites, none of us were able to finish our meals.

Roque's also offers several daily specials. Every Tuesday tacos are only 95 cents. Wednesday evenings after five o'clock fish tacos are \$2.00. On Saturdays, a combination plate with two enchiladas, rice and beans is offered for only \$6.00. Inexpensive mexican desserts are also available, such as flan, Mexican goat milk cheesecake, and fried icecream.

Not only is the food authentically Mexican, so is the music. We were particularly conscious of the music after our experience with the "beautiful" Indian music we heard at Madhuban.

Overall, Roque's offers competent, friendly service and excellent cuisine. The experienced NNU restaurant-reviewing trio gives it an enthusiastic four checks.

At last, a platform worthy of a come-from-behind candidate

Here is your update on Election 2000:

On the Democratic side, Vice President "Al" Gore and Bill Bradley have been debating the issue of health care before "town meetings" made up of ordinary citizens, who are later revived with fire hoses. Gore remains the front-runner, but has been hurt by polls showing that many voters view him as "not necessarily a human." In response, he has boldly decided, on the advice of his consultants, to switch to wearing earth-tone suits. If this does not work, the consultants say, "We will dress him as various members of the Village People, starting with the Construction Worker."

On the Republican side, frontrunner George W. "W" Bush was ambushed by a snotball TV reporter asking tricky questions about foreign countries that are not located anywhere near Texas. This resulted in an embarrassing moment, when "W" incorrectly identified Afghanistan as "a kind of duck."

I was not surprised by this incident. As a leading presidential candidate myself, I am used to having the news media ask me cheap-shot, below-the-belt questions such as what my views are, what party I belong to, whether I have ever been convicted of murder, etc. In fact, just recently I was grilled by a TV reporter clearly hoping to make me look bad, as we can see from the following verba-

tim transcript: REPORTER: Mr. Barry, can you name the prime minister of India? BARRY: Sure! Lean closer and I'll tell you.

REPORTER: OUCH! You bit my ear! The point I was making is that the president of the United

the president of the United States does not NEED to know the names of leaders of foreign nations that have fewer nuclear weapons than we do. If I were the president, I'd require foreign leaders who visited the White House to wear name tags that said, "HI! I'M (NAME), THE LEADER OF (NAME OF COUNTRY), WHICH HAS (NUMBER) NUCLEAR WEAP-ONS."

One foreign leader I would definitely invite to the White House would be the president

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of Gabon: I don't know where Gabon is, but I do know that the president is named — look this up if you don't believe me -- "Omar Bongo." I think it would be way cool to have a formal White House function where the announcer would say: "PRESENTING THE PRESI-DENT OF GABON, AND MRS: BONGO." Inviting the Bongos to White House functions would be the cornerstone of my foreign policy. They would have a permanent room in the White House ("The Bongo Room").

And now let us turn to domestic policy. As your president, I want to address the issues that matter to YOU. And I want YOU to tell me what those issues are, using the Internet, which is a high-tech thing invented by Al Gore. Specifically, I want you to go to a Web site — www.pbs.org/newshour/ e I e c t i o n 2 0 0 0 /

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special(underscore)emphasis.html that was set up by the PBS TV show "The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer" so that people can vote on which issues they think should be addressed in the presidential election campaign. As of Nov. 2, a total of 12,000 viewers had voted, and I am shocked to report that only ONE PERSON — identified by PBS as Lee Shagin of Woodland Hills, Calif. - named low-flow toilets. I am referring to these useless toilets that Congress foisted on the public by the Useless Toilet Foisting Act of 1992; the toilets you have to flush at least three times to eliminate the evidence from the scene of the crime. This issue came in dead last in a field of 41, behind such snore-o-matic issues as "health care," "foreign policy," "leadership" and "infrastructure/energy."

I refuse to believe that this poll truly reflects the opinions of you, the voters. I have never once heard a voter say, "You know an issue I am very excited about? Infrastructure/energy!" But every day millions of voters say "Yuck!" upon lifting the commode lid and encountering a previous user's inadequately flushed foistings.

So I am calling on you, the voters, to stand up and be counted. Don't let a bunch of elitist, infrastructure-obsessed, organictofu-eating, whale-saving, opera-listening, earth-tone-wearing PBS viewers set the election agenda for you! Boot up your computer right now (Windows 98 users, allow six hours). Then go to http://www.pbs.org/ newshour/election2000/ special(underscore)emphasis.html, click on the word "Forum" and cast your ballot for the lowflow toilet issue. Let's start a "movement," voters! Let's see if we can make this issue "crack" the top 10, perhaps even reaching "number one!" If we can, then I, as your president, will be able to force Congress to "pass" a meaningful Toilet Reform bill. Because Congress will know that I have you, the voters, behind me.

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