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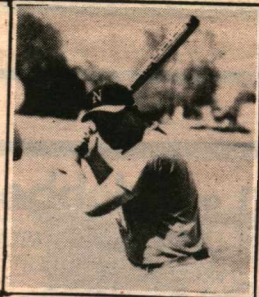
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Celebrate the Earth

A Political Decision

By Paul Berg
News Editor

The twentieth anniversary of the first "Earth Day" will be celebrated Sunday, April 22. "Earth Day 1970" began the public movement toward ecological awareness and radical environmental action. As the brain-child of Senator Gaylord Nelson, the first "Earth Day" was largely a student movement involving over 10,000 high schools and 200 colleges. The students sponsored and participated in "teach-ins" and parades, urging public concern for the environment and governmental action. It generated genuine



environmental concern such legislation as the "Clean Air" and the "Clean Water" providing the impetus for

acts, and the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency.

"Earth Day 1990" will demonstrate the broadening of environmental awareness which has taken place as a result of the annual event. It is purported to be the largest demonstration in history, with 115 countries and over 1000 major environmental groups planning demonstrations and activities to celebrate the twentieth "Earth Day."

Local activities include: an Eco-Fair at the BSU amphitheater, Saturday, April 21; and a candlelight vigil and tree-planting celebration on the NNC campus, April 22 at 9 p.m.

Idaho was in the spotlight as the nation awaited Governor Cecil Andrus' decision concerning HB 625; which would be the nation's strictest abortion law, if passed. Many heaved a sigh of relief and many wept as the Democratic Governor announced his decision to veto the bill, late in the afternoon March 30.

The bill, HB 625, was left up to the three term governor, as Idaho became the talk of the country. HB 625 would have banned more than 90 percent of the 1500 abortions performed in Idaho each year. The bill would have restricted abortion except in the case of nonstatutory rape reported within seven days, incest if the victim was under 18, severe fetal deformity and a

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Effectiveness Examined

By Preston Crow
Guest Writer

The Inter-branch Committee on the Effectiveness of Student Government was recently formed to look into problems related to ASNNC and find solutions. Committee members include representatives from all three branches of student

government, as well as the general student body. Chaired by Community Relations Coordinator Crystal Clough, the committee is focusing primarily on communication.

The first meeting, held on Tuesday, April 10, covered problems with communication between the various branches of student

government. The most notable problem was the lack of communication between the Judicial Board and the Senate. Several ideas for improving the communication were considered, such as having members of each body attend the other's meetings.

As the committee continues its weekly meetings, inter-branch communication will continue to be discussed, as well as the relationship between Student Development and ASNNC and the communication between ASNNC and the student body. The result of these meetings should be seen in two ways. First, those attending the meetings will be more aware of the problems and help to deal with them. Second, the committee will make recommendations to ASNNC on changes necessary to improve student government.

If you have any suggestions for improving ASNNC or areas that need to be considered, you should contact Crystal Clough by writing to her at box A.

ASNNC:

Position Postponed

By Bruce Larsen
Staff Writer

Due to complications of governmental procedure, the new ASNNC elected position of Publicity Director will not be implemented next year as some had hoped. However, if things go well, it may be implemented as an appointed position sometime during the next year, according to Jr. Class Senator and President elect, Leanne McKillip.

The election for the implementation of the new position took place on Wednesday, February 21. In the same election, there was a ballot for a Junior class Senator and President elect, Leanne McKillip. The election for the implementation of the new position took place on Wednesday, February 21. In the same election, there was a ballot for a Junior class Senator and President elect, Leanne McKillip. The election for the implementation of the new position took place on Wednesday, February 21. In the same election, there was a ballot for a Junior class Senator and President elect, Leanne McKillip.

President's office. Another meeting was scheduled for Monday, March 5.

The ballots were counted on the 5th, 12 day after the election. The bill passed overwhelmingly.

On Sunday, March 4, however, the Judicial Board met to discuss the validity of the election. They decided that it was invalid for several reasons. First, the Jr. class officer candidate did not have the necessary five days after the election to ask for a recount, which is part of the ASNNC code, because the ballots were not counted until 12 days later. According to Chief Justice Danny Morse, "election" is defined as the actual voting process. Second, because of the 12 day lapse, communication between the students and the government was hindered. Third, the election dealt with changes not obvious to the student body. They were not informed that the Publicity Director position

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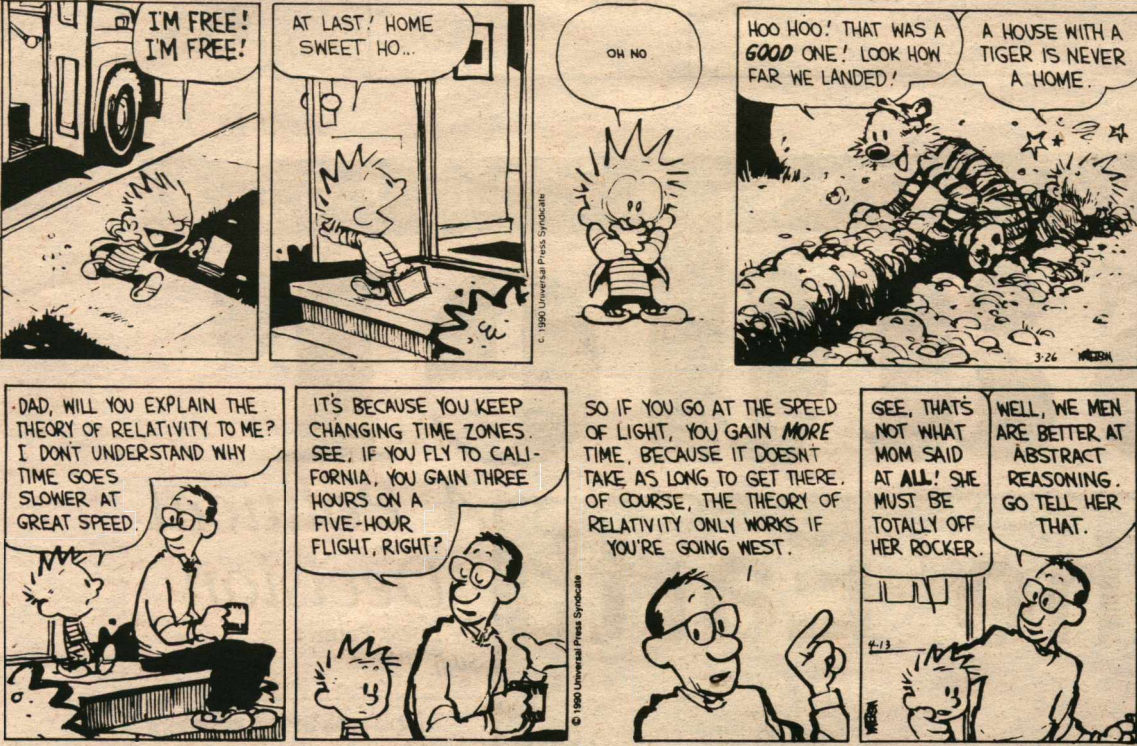


New Seattle Baseball Owner Jeff Smulyan visited NNC April 13. Smulyan answered questions and talked of the upcoming year for the "New Seattle Mariners." (Photo by Gil Craker)

EDITORIALS

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



Settling Out of Court

By Prof. Karl Martin
Guest Editorial

The first half of Professor Martin's article appeared in the March 7 issue of the *Crusader*. Here, Professor Martin continues his rebuttal against Dr. Jack Wright.

Perhaps this would be a good spot to digress a bit. Dr. Wright, in my opinion, did a tremendous dis-service to liberation theology and the theologians who espouse it. Not all theologians who teach liberation theology are trying to reconcile Marxism and Christianity as Wright seemed to imply. Many theologians use a Marxist analysis of social and economic relations to stress an important Biblical concept—that God is clearly on the side of the poor and oppressed. Even a casual reading of the Old and New Testaments reveals that, starting with the Exodus from Egypt, God repeatedly intervened in history in order to free oppressed peoples. He freed the Jews when they were oppressed and punished them when they oppressed others. In our world, where so many Christians naively assume that God endorses a capitalistic, free market economy, theologians often rely on the Marxist critique of capitalism to show the possibility that God is not a capitalist. Once again, it is important that we not dismiss

or downplay the contributions Marx made to our understanding simply because he was an atheist who envisioned a future which did not materialize.

On the final day of the Staley Lecture Series, Wright took on Charles Darwin and his theory of evolution. Another baby went out with the bath water. Of course the theory of evolution has its problems. Some scientists have accepted Darwin's teachings uncritically and have made some very unscientific conclusions. In spite of this fact, we must admit that evolution explains a great deal about the natural world which was confusing before Darwin's writings. While we identify the weaknesses of the theory of evolution, we must identify its strengths as well.

I am not a biologist, so I will not presume to discuss the relative strengths of the various schools of thought concerning evolution. I do believe, however, that we must allow scientists who are Christians enough freedom to discuss evolution with their colleagues. By insisting that the theory of evolution be tossed out altogether, we tie the hands of scientists who wish to argue its merits. In his book *Biology Through the Eyes of Faith*, Richard T. Wright argues, "The promotion of an alternative theistic worldview is made difficult because of attempts

by some Christians to discredit evolution" (68). In other words, Richard Wright believes that, as a scientist, his hands are often tied by his fellow Christians who want to limit his academic freedom. If we are to continue to learn all we can about the natural world, we must be willing to affirm truth, even partial truth, wherever we can find it.

Dr. Wright's presentation on Darwinian thought contained other ideas which I found troubling as well. In his discussion of the Scope's trial, Wright implied that Christians in the twenties could be easily split into two camps—the liberals and the fundamentalists. Such a dichotomy is simply inaccurate. While Wright was correct in identifying the liberal desire to merge the teachings of Christianity and the teachings of modern science and the fundamentalist desire to read scripture literally, he neglected those Christians in the middle. This neglect is particularly vexing since the Nazarene Manual's teaching on scripture places Nazarenes clearly between the two camps. Since, in Article IV, the Manual teaches only that scripture is accurate in all matters necessary to our salvation, Nazarenes are free to accept the Genesis account as scientifically and historically accurate or not—a freedom of tremendous historical

Emerson 102

By President Wetmore

On the evening of April 26, 1990 the NNC refectory will take on the prestigious aura of international politics. Former Governor and Senator Dan Evans (Republican, Washington State) will be the featured speaker at this third annual event.

Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$17.50 per person or \$30.00 per couple.

Senator Len B. Jordan represented the State of Idaho in the U.S. Senate from 1962-72. He was governor of Idaho from 1950-54. During these years, he became a friend of Dr. John E. Riley, President of Northwest Nazarene college from 1952 to 1973. A gift from the estate of Senator and Mrs. Jordan began the endowment which supports the symposium.

Among the Board members which give direction to this symposium are Dr. Ray Cooke and Dr. Gilbert Ford. Dr. Floyd Johnson, Boise orthopedic surgeon (NNC, '56), chairs this committee. Other members of the board are: William Campbell, Mrs. Joan Deal, State Representative Janet Hay, Dr. John E. Riley, Dr. Kirk Sullivan, and Dr. James B. Weatherby.

This event, growing in significance each year, is an opportunity for our campus to be a part of ideas which are shaping our world.

significance. In spite of Dr. Wright's fundamentalist assertion that "theistic evolution" is an oxymoron, for many Christians it is now, and has been for some time, a clear option. We must not naively accept the naturalistic assumptions of Darwinian evolutionary theory, but we dare not dismiss it out of hand, at least not if we expect to continue to learn all we can about the world around us.

In his presentations, Dr. Wright seemed more

concerned with defending his client (his vision of the Christian faith) than with arriving at the truth. Such a strategy may be appropriate for a courtroom where a judge or jury must decide for one side or the other. At a liberal arts college, however, we must consider it our task to find and act upon the truth. Sometimes we will find parts of the truth in unlikely places such as the writings of Freud, Marx, and Darwin—the three most significant atheists of the modern world.

Letters

Dear Editor/Students,

Apathy is a worn-out word for this paper and student body; let's use a different term to describe a situation that I have seen in high school and college, federal and state government, and any type of organization including the Church. This idea is better stated as a lack of will or limited involvement only on the grounds that it is risk free and non-committal.

Should I expect better of this student body? After all, we're just being normal. Even the modern Church that most of us are a part of does not provide abundant examples of involvement and risk taking to see things change for the better.

Yes! I should expect more from students. World history is full of examples of what can happen when idealistic students commit themselves to a task or cause such as the student missionary movement of one hundred years ago or the student activism twenty years ago that promoted peace and equality. This is something, I think, every Christian should support.

Have we as students in the 1990's already made a choice to continue the greedy yuppie values of the 80's? Or will we go on to more humanitarian and Christian values, similar to the ideals of the sixties? But hopefully better in light of the

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Editorial Policy

The *Crusader* encourages its readers to respond to the contents of this paper or to other issues pertinent to the members of this institution through "Letters to the Editor." Part of the *Crusader's* function is to offer a medium for various campus opinions that do not necessarily agree with our own or others.

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EDITORIALS

Senate Questioned

By Rhonda C. Wittorf
Staff Writer

To the best of my knowledge, it is the responsibility of elected officials to propose, pass, and prohibit all legislation according to the known wishes of their constituents. This also applies to ASNNC Senators. Students vote for the candidates who will best represent their views and opinions. I guess, ideally, this is true. And Senators, I do not mean to step on any toes, but everyone realizes that you do not necessarily live up to those responsibilities which you accepted upon election.

This, in fact, was clearly demonstrated in the senate

meeting of April 10. At that meeting, despite many claims that students were for a bill, senate failed to pass a motion which would cut executive officer salaries by approximately sixteen percent per office.

Several senators, as well as students in the gallery, expressed a consensus among the student body that executive officers are overpaid. This was ignored, however, in a 4-5 vote, killing the bill.

Many reasons were cited for this decision. One, the people have already been elected, so a salary cut should not be affected until next year at the earliest. Two, Dr. Ken Hills is giving proposal to the

administration that the Board of Regents sponsor scholarships for executive officers, the amount of which will be based upon current salaries. Another reason was that some very qualified students would not be able to run for student government if a pay cut were imposed; they would not be as willing to hold an office if

It is about time that we stopped letting Senators make these decisions with what appears to be no regard for the wishes of the student body.

they were not paid as much.

There are three good arguments against all of these "reasons" which were ignored by five senators. One, as salaries have not been budgeted, the bill does not represent a cut in any salary. Two, Senate cannot legislate on mere speculation of some future condition. Case in point, the book exchange was omitted from the revised code because "it's not happening now," in the words of one senator.



Well, neither are Regent-sponsored scholarships. so how can a piece of legislation fail based on something that's "not happening now"? Three, it is my firm belief that if there were no executive salaries, only qualified competent persons would run.

Maybe as a student you really do not care how much executive officers get paid, or even if there are executive officers. Well, we are paying these people to work for us, the students. It is about time that we stopped letting Senators make these decisions with what appears

to be no regard for the wishes of the student body. If more people attended Senate meetings (every Tuesday at 7:00 in the North Dining Hall) and actually made their opinions known to the senators, there would be no room for bills such as this to fail.

A final note: thank you to those four Senators who backed the bill. And to those who voted no on the bill, keep the wishes of your class members in mind next time legislation comes up which affects them in any way.

Letters Continued...

mistakes of that Woodstock generation.

I have seen positive changes in this area of student involvement during my four years at NNC. I have seen a new ministry club formed every year, each with very high and distant goals. The many students and faculty members who are involved in these new clubs should be commended. And those of you who have never got involved in anything besides academics and your own social life and personal well-being should at least analyze your life and ask yourselves the question: Is this pattern of non-involvement the way that I want to live the rest of my life?

If the answer is yes, you must realize that you will be robbing society of the privileges that it would have had if you would have contributed to it. Every one of us is valuable and most of us have ideas that can help make life a little better (some ideas have not been so good but were accepted because the majority did not care.

such as Hitler and Nazi Germany). And if you choose not to get involved, you must not complain when decisions that are made do not consider your best interest and make you disappointed or angry. A good example of this is an elected official who makes decisions to please the majority of the minority that actually cared to vote. It is very easy to criticize; it is harder to put your involvement where your mouth is.

In this article, I have not talked about any particular organization or people. The people that I had in mind are probably not even bothering to read this article because of their non-involvement but they know who they are. You can change; don't settle for boring yuppie values. As Dr. Wetmore said a few years ago, "NNC is place where you can catch a greater vision than yourself".

Sincerely submitted,
John Leach
1989-1990 Senior Class
President

I'll Make the Call

To: Crusader

I would like to discuss intramural sports for a moment, and respond specifically to James Taylor's article in the March 7 Crusader, "You Make the Call."

First of all, thank you for explaining the rules now that the season is over. Enough said.

Second, let's consider the role of an official in any sport. (Barry Kennard should read this, too). An official's job is to ensure that a game runs smoothly, acting in the best interest of

both teams involved. No one appreciates an official who "waves the rulebook" to assert his authority, because he destroys the spirit of the game. Now my understanding of an "intramural sport" is one in which a general, non-varsity athlete can compete at a general, non-varsity level. With this in mind, let's go over some fouls that should not necessarily be called in an intramural basketball game:

#1. Sticking a toe over the line to throw the ball in, when the other team is at the other end of the court.

In Defense

Editor:

Mr. Jeffrey A. Richards needs to quit writing articles on subjects that he knows nothing about! If he wants to be an art editor, let him edit art. If he wants to be a news editor, then let him find some news. If he wants to be an opinion editor, then make him one.

According to my Oxford American Dictionary (1980), a pacifist is "A person who totally opposes war, believing that disputes should be settled by peaceful means" (p.641). Mr. Richards claims to firmly believe in pacifism, and yet he makes a statement in his article, "Against Christian Violence," that made many people less than peaceful. He does not

#2. Taking 3.1 seconds to move through the key.

#3. Jumping straight up to get a rebound and not touching anybody whatsoever.

I am looking forward to softball, where these "judgment" calls will be limited to balls and strikes.

Third, as a "B" league player myself, thank you for not doing very many "B" league games.

Finally, with the exception of one game, I would like to commend the intramural officials on a fine season.

Dennis W. Howard

seem to realize that the pen is a more powerful weapon than the sword. The pen can make enemies become the best of friends, and it can offend a friend beyond all reconciliation. If Mr. Richards wishes to be a pacifist, fine. But he should recognize that other people feel just as deeply about their convictions as he does about his.

In the four years I have attended NNC, I have seldom heard anyone say anything good about the U.S. Military. Many times I have heard the military referred to as "Fascist, baby killers", "Warmongers", "Murderers of innocent women and children" etc., but never have any of these same people ever had to be rescued by the U.S. Military because they were being held by a hostile government. The bottom line is, you never had it so good! There are very few countries in this world where a paper can print treasonous slander against the government and not have every writer thrown in jail. To those who think that the U.S. Army is full of "murderers of innocent women and children," I say that more "innocent women and children" have been murdered by car drivers than the U.S. Military ever thought of killing.

As for Mr. Richards' statement, "My problem with institutions such as the military is that they seem to glorify in their actions instead of considering themselves to be the most wretched of people," I say hogwash. I do

not know where Mr. Richards gets his information, but it is pretty obvious he does not know what he is talking about. The U.S. Military does not glory in killing people. They glory in performing the oath they have taken:

I, (state your name), do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the orders of the president of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to regulations and the Uniform Code of Military Justice. So help me God.

The men and women who have taken this oath do not consider the defense of this country, and your rights and freedoms, (with their lives if necessary) a wretched task. On the contrary, most of them consider it an honor. I dare say that if Mr. Richards' First Amendment rights were being violated, he would not consider the U.S. Military "the most wretched of people" either.

I did not write this letter to change anyone's mind (least of all Mr. Richards'). If you do not like what the Military is doing, fine, but do everyone a favor before you start looking down your nose at the uniform; do some more research. Get your facts from more than the CBS Evening News. Try talking to some people who wear the uniform.
Leslie E. King

EDITORIALS

Abortion: A Look at Both Sides

Pro

By Jeffrey A. Richards
Arts Editor

I am afraid I don't much like the company I am in. The term pro-life has become fraught with stigma due to an overemphasis on emotional appeal and an underemphasis on consistency. Given several of the asinine commercials I have seen on television (one features the diary of a fetus, of all things) and the fact that many of these same "pro-lifers" are active proponents of war (defense for the country, you know!) and poverty (after all, transients would work if they wanted to; why should my tax dollars go to welfare for bums?!), I am certain the stigma is deserved. Nonetheless, I find myself on

the pro-life side of the abortion controversy, whether I like it or not.

Most of us would find it abhorrent to acquit a mother who murders her five-year-old child as a matter of convenience. But wait, that's not fair, right? The fetus is not nearly so developed as the child, who could survive on its own if forced to. The fetus cannot; and the decision to sustain pregnancy must also affect the mother because the fetus is dependent upon her. Hence, comparing abortion to such a heinous act as murdering a child would be a gross oversimplification. Or would it?

What are the differences really? The development issue goes both ways. Is it really okay to take a life so

long as it is in a distinctly immature stage of development? The fetus is human life, even if it cannot yet talk or feed itself. The child is also human life in an immature stage of development. The line one draws will have to be arbitrary; even the Supreme Court recognizes the whimsical nature of the trimester system. A subjective line is not a line at all, and justifying the taking of human life because it is not fully developed sets a dangerous precedent for those of us who are still growing.

But this ignores the strain on the life of the mother, right? After all, children can always be sent outside to play or sent to

grandmother's or a neighbor's. But a prenatal baby cannot be escaped, and the months of pain and nausea cause stress and misery in their own right, to say nothing of the stigma often attached to unmarried young women who become pregnant (by far the group accounting for the greatest number of abortions). But in as much as this is human life with all the potential and beauty inherent in such life, a greater evil is caused by destroying a fetus than by discomforting the mother. The effects, both biological and societal, are tragic, but they call for medical and moral solutions, not abortion.

The Declaration of Independence is not inherently divine or flawless, but it has hit home on a

Life

fundamental truth, namely the right for all people to enjoy life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That is why war, poverty, euthanasia, violence, and abortion should all be condemned. And if you are still not convinced that the fetus constitutes human life, then I ask you, at what point does the development progress far enough to call the being human and deserving of governmental protection? Where do we draw the line? And I ask only one thing more: prove it. There are no objective lines because there are no lines at all. If we as human beings have an interest in promoting the lives of others as well as ourselves, then why do we stop because the child has yet to be born?

Pro

By Rhonda C. Wittorf
Staff Writer

For a long time I was afraid to write this article. I knew I would be criticized: "liberal!" "murderer!" But, I finally decided that it does not matter if I would or would not have an abortion myself. I only want to defend the right to have an abortion. I believe human beings have the right to make moral

choices; so does God.

There is no argument that the abortion issue is a moral one which (necessarily

almost) makes it a political one. However, morality cannot be legislated, though it seems that many people

would like to.

Some base their pro-life stance on their opinion that life starts at conception.

be the one to choose her, and the baby's future. Any decision made for her against her will disregards the moral and spiritual freedom granted her by God. However, that freedom to

choose was intended to be exercised with the interests of herself, others, and God Himself in mind. Any choice that manipulates or belittles the value of any of these (the individual, others or God) will ideally have its consequences: guilt, alienation, or judgment. Reasonably, the criteria upon which a choice is made must have these same interests in mind.

The unborn are often considered unworthy of the

right to life because they are said to be non-human. Genetically, the unborn child can be nothing else but human. It is basic to biology that 'like produces like.' Humans do not produce chickens or horses; they produce humans. The baby is as human at conception as he/she is at 20 years of age.

The unborn are often considered unworthy of the

right to life because they are said to be unable to contribute to society. Again, children, the elderly, the institutionalized, criminals (who have proven to be against society), national enemies (which are against "our" society), and anyone else who is thought not to support the priorities of the society in question, have cause to be aborted.

As a Christian, I believe life is a gift from God; it deserves our deepest respect (which probably means a commitment to preserving it). May our attitude never be "I can make any choice I want to; I have rights!" Instead, let it be "...not My will, but Thine be done." True, the resulting decision may be the same—but maybe not...Whether Pro-choice or Pro-life, we must, out of respect for God's creation, make our choices reasonably, consistently, and always unselfishly.

Choice

That is fine, but not everyone will agree. Not even a majority of scientists. The fact is that it is all based on conjecture. No one has a direct dial phone to God's throne; no one can say for sure when life begins.

As human beings we will always have the capacity to make choices. It is just too bad, however, when all but one choice is taken away.

I am Pro-Choice, and I Choose Life

Editor's note: this an excerpt from a letter that was received on the abortion issue. It was edited because of its length.

There is no question that the mother of the child is to

be the one to choose her, and the baby's future. Any decision made for her against her will disregards the moral and spiritual freedom granted her by God. However, that freedom to

choose was intended to be exercised with the interests of herself, others, and God Himself in mind. Any choice that manipulates or belittles the value of any of these (the individual, others or God) will ideally have its consequences: guilt, alienation, or judgment. Reasonably, the criteria upon which a choice is made must have these same interests in mind.

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ARTS

From Russia With Love

Understanding the literature of modern and contemporary Russia

By Tina Loyd
and Jeff Richards
Staff Writers

Russian literature in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries is pervaded by a darkness and a depth not found in the literature of any other ethnic group. Perhaps this is not to be unexpected from a people who have had a history of hardship and oppression. From the Mongolian hordes to the Czars to twentieth century wars and revolutions, Russia has never enjoyed a time of extended freedom and prosperity for its people. Yet it is somehow more than oppression that has brought out these works of dark insight. It takes genius, and genius is a commodity that the Russian people can provide.

The Russian authors are often blatantly honest about issues that other writers are afraid to touch. Dostoevsky, Tolstoy, Turgenev, Solzenitzen, and others address the deeper nature of man's cruelty to his fellow men. Instead of merely describing all that is beautiful in life and humanity, Russian literature often probes the contradiction between love and joy existing alongside of the black psychological aspects of the human soul. By stripping man of all false pretenses, then, he can be shown in his true absurdity. Absurdity is an existential theme that runs through many of the greatest Russian writers.

Leo Tolstoy, for example, is a master of psychological drama. He often contrasts good and evil to symbolically

represent the contrast of God and man. Tolstoy is not afraid to touch on subjects that are not of paramount importance to the human spirit but are somehow never discussed. He tackles the three biggest issues of humanity in his collection of short stories entitled *God, Sex, and Death*. Tolstoy is famous for his two major novels *Anna Karenina* and *War and Peace*, both very long and involved pieces of literature with multiple themes and extremely well-developed characters and plot lines. However, some of Tolstoy's best work can be found in his short stories. Tolstoy's later works tend to be didactic as he changed his philosophy about art, but his earlier works are indicative of the best the world has to offer in literature.

Another great Russian author is Fyodor Dostoevsky, whose works appear very dark on the surface but, when examined closer, are full of hope. In *Crime and Punishment* the lives of a criminal and a prostitute grow and mature through their hardships. *The Brothers Karamazov* examines the absurdity of the way man thinks as compared to the way God thinks through the family Karamazov, which contains characters exemplifying the major characteristics of mankind. Other major works by Dostoevsky include *The Possessed*, *The Idiot*, *Notes From Underground*, and *The Dream of a Ridiculous Man*, the latter two being short stories.

Other notable Russian

authors are Zamiatyn and Chekhov, both known for their dark undertones, and Solzenitzen, author of such great works examining life in Communist prisoner internment camps as *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich* and *The Gulag Archipeligo*, and a narrative history of twentieth-century Russia under Communism in *August 1914*.

Russian literature is very rich and requires time and energy to read. That is not to say it is didactic or dull, just very complex. Yet for those who can stomach a commitment to Russian literature, there are vast lessons to be learned about oneself and the world of humanity around us, insights which have been provided by no other classification of literature.

An Alternative to Movies...

By David Bomar
Staff Writer

Even after seeing *Glory* three times in one week I still find it difficult to say that movies can get old. I will admit, however, that there are times when even the most avid moviegoer can grow weary of the motion picture.

For those of us who come to Nampa from metropolitan areas, we often find ourselves a bit discouraged to find that the endless spectrum of entertainment alternatives found in Seattle, Portland, or

Denver somehow make themselves scarce in the Boise area.

I remember many enjoyable evenings spent at Pioneer Square Theater, Seattle Theatersports, and Laser Fantasy at the Pacific Science Center. But these sorts of entertainment do not exist here. So what do we do? We see a movie.

Or we go to the BLT...the Boise Little Theater. In its forty-second season, the Boise Little Theater is the only stage in the Boise area that offers monthly productions.

Boise Little Theater was founded in 1948, with the

first production at the Pinney Theater being *Arsenic and Old Lace*. Fire destroyed the first theater at Gowen Field in 1956. The current theater was built with the donations and volunteer efforts of hundreds of BLT members and opened October, 1957.

BLT is first and foremost a community theater. The actors, actresses, producers, and directors of its productions are not truly professional. Instead, they are community members who participate in theater only on the side.

The most recent

production, Agatha Christie's *Verdict*, is a suspense-drama. The spoiled daughter (Helen) of a wealthy businessman falls in love with a university professor (Karl) who is devoted to the care of invalid wife (Anya). Helen's infatuation is just the beginning of Karl's problems. With hopes of redirecting his affections toward herself, Helen pours Anya a fatal overdose of medication and confesses the murder to Karl. Further complications arise throughout the play, creating a drama of ideas in the style of Ibsen.

Unfortunately, the acting left much to be desired. The actors only "half-baked" their

characters. Although Christie's development of her characters are as careful and as in-depth as the plot, the performers created not much more than flaky, unbelievable characters. Mannerisms and attitudes were inconsistent, sporadic, and sometimes in sharp contrast to the integrity of the script. The dialog was often unbelievable, either exaggerating or downplaying emotions. In her confession, for example, Helen (BSU student Tricia Silsby) tells Karl, "I did it. I killed Anya." with about as much conviction as Ronald Reagan testifies.

Regardless of the glitches in performance, however, my evening at the Boise Little Theater was enjoyable: it was good to get out of the motion picture rut.

If *Verdict* is a reliable indicator of BLT's productions, hard core thespians may be a little disappointed with the acting. But don't let that stop you. Whether it is good or bad, theater is always a healthy alternative to the common movie.

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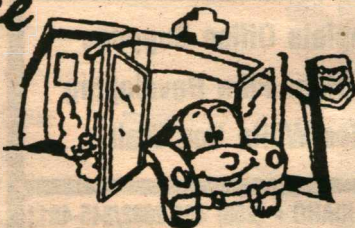
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The Junior Class Play

From Slow Start to Excellence

By Tina Loyd
Staff Writer

Did Suzy survive? Yes. In fact, not only did Suzy survive, but she also thrived, as did the rest of the production of the Junior class play *Wait Until Dark*. Despite a rough beginning, the play turned out to be quite entertaining thanks to outstanding performances by Dawna Adair-Williams and Lane Bottemiller.

This production of *Wait Until Dark* could have just as easily been entitled "Wait Until the Second Act." The cast appeared to have a difficult time getting into the play in the first act, and, as a consequence, the audience could not get into the play either. The first scene was especially disappointing: the characters were not "real" and did not interact with each other. It was as if they thought (or felt) that the other characters were just as



The 1990 Junior Class play was performed April 5, 6, 7, and 9.

non-existent as their own.

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Part of this was due to the fact that the characters played by John Rimby and Mike Cronrath treated the

psychotic Mr. Roat in an almost comical manner, which did not do justice to the character of Mr. Roat or to the plot. However, things did get better and by the second act the characters came to life.

Miss Adair-Williams had wonderful chemistry between her and the rest of the cast.

She brought a certain cohesiveness to the play. She convincingly portrayed the plight of a blind woman in a dangerous, seeing world. This was a very difficult part, and Miss Adair-Williams did more than just survive; she excelled at it!

The set was also exceedingly well-done for an

NNC play. The technical expertise displayed in the set and effects was in large part due to the expert work of Technical Director Barry Versaw and Scott Sumpter.

Wait Until Dark was an exceptional production for NNC. It was extremely entertaining, and for the most part was well-performed. Congratulations are in order for both the cast of *Wait Until Dark* and the very able director John Woodward.

As always, the reader should be advised that Miss Loyd's opinion is not necessarily that of *The Crusader* staff. Letters of concurrence, dissent, or your own critiques should be sent to Box "C" in the form of letters to the editor. They should follow the guidelines as outlined in the *Crusader* editorial policy. Student opinions are always welcomed and encouraged on this play or any other student activity critiqued in these pages.

-The Arts Editor

Video Review

Dead Poet's: a Rare Performance

By Jeffrey A. Richards
Arts Editor

I wrote earlier this year that I very rarely give out my highest rating, for most movies lack either depth of insight conveyed by the plot or exceptional acting, or both (more often than not). In 1988, only *Rainman* fit that category. This year, there is an excellent possibility that *Born on the Fourth of July*

will receive such a rating. And if it is true that great movies come along only once a year, if even that, then last year's movie extraordinaire must be *Dead Poet's Society*, newly-released on video. Starring Robin Williams, the story is set in a Connecticut college prep boarding school for high school boys in 1959. The school is tradition-bound, and with good

reason, it seems, for it retains a seventy-five percent acceptance rate into ivy league colleges for its students. Williams plays a young English teacher who graduated from the school some years previously, returning to do what he loves to do: teach. Only there's a twist. Mr. Keating (Williams) is highly unorthodox, not due to a rebellious streak, but to a liberating one. He is caught up in the passion of his discipline and at the same time struggles against the shackles of conformity with which "tradition" has bound him.

But the story is really not about Keating, but his students. Neil, who must struggle between his dream to act and his authoritarian father who restricts and

plans his every move, all the way through medical school; Knox, who must face his hopes and anxieties about winning the heart of a beautiful girl; Todd, who must live down his brother's reputation and learn to assert himself; and Charlie, who must conquer himself.

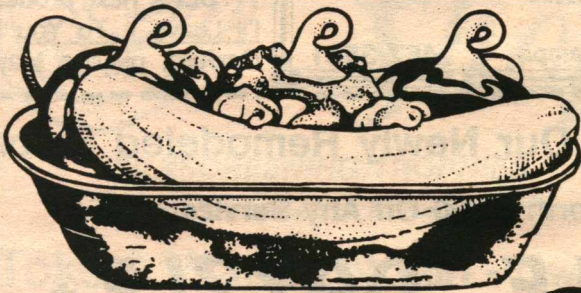
Mr. Keating encourages each student to "seize the day," to take advantage of life and one's own destiny while one can. But ultimately this is advice that could lead to trouble. The movie spins along at a relatively quick pace, but as an audience we are not truly challenged until the movie is very nearly through. In an earth-shattering event, all the students' learning about the depth of the passion for life is crushed beneath them,

they find themselves alone...alone and responsible. I certainly do not wish to spoil the movie for those who have yet to experience it, but the last scene is truly spell-binding.

Maybe it is because I still miss Teaching Fellow Craig Rickett so much that this movie strikes me as hard as it does. Yet the movie transcends such particular experiences and demonstrates a depth of insight into the human character, the desire to be free (from one perspective), and the desire to shackle. This struggle is as old as government and institutions and rules, but it is nearly perfectly presented here in some of the best acting I have seen in years. I give this movie my highest rating—a must-see.

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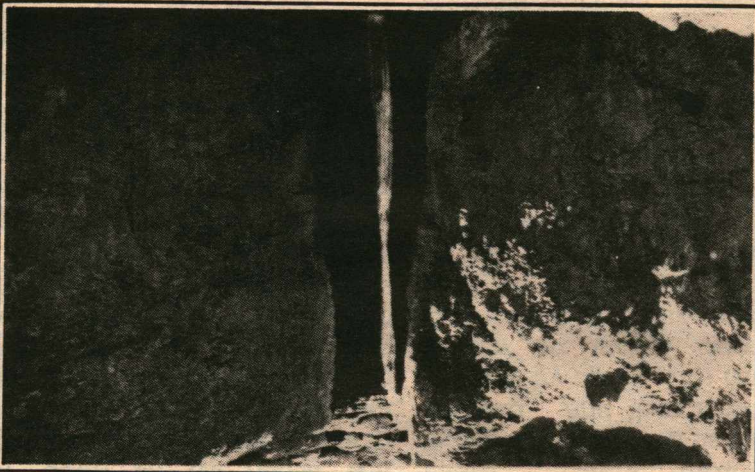
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FEATURES

Jump Into Springtime Fun

By Laura Hartle
Features Editor

Need a Saturday away from the books? Tired of never having anything new to do in Nampa, Idaho? Have the itch for some hiking or even rock climbing? For those readers who can answer yes to any of these questions, I would like to suggest that, just perhaps, Jump Creek is the place for you.



The falls are a major attraction at Jump Creek. (Photo by Andy Lockhart)

Jump Creek is an Owyhee County recreation site located about eleven miles outside of Marsing. Some of its attractions include, as stated before, rock climbing and hiking, as well as a wide variety of wildlife and the beautiful quarter of a mile from the parking area.

The small, seemingly unpowerful Jump Creek, which leads the path to the falls, makes for a surprise as one turns the corner to witness the 50-foot ledge which the stream tumbles down from above. The pool, worry, you're not lost yet - drive half a mile until the numerous critters of all shapes and sizes at the bottom of the falls are enough to keep most busy, stay on the main road for a couple more miles.

Jump Creek Recreation Site has been undergoing some changes this past year, including a new parking area and improvements on the trail. So for those who have been there in past years, drive through Marsing on Highway 55, about five miles past the town. Turn left onto Cemetery Road, which ends at Jump Creek Road. Turn left onto Jump Creek Road. Saturdays even more than I imagined.

With a Grain of Salt

By J. Andrew Fillmore
Staff Columnist

Your story was due Monday," she said.

"No problem, I'm just a day or so behind. By the way, what day is it?"

The left side of her face jumped. "Wednesday," she said. I noticed a slight quaver in her voice. I was beginning to become

concerned. She obviously was under a lot of pressure. "Listen," I said, "I'll stay up late tonight and have it to you first thing in the morning."

"You said that yesterday." The side of her face was shaking uncontrollably, now.

"You're a wreck. You really should relax a little. Well anyway, if there is nothing else, I'm kind of busy when their writers miss deadlines, and I was noticing a slight twitch near my editor's left eye.

For those of you who have worked on any type of publication, you know that deadlines are not to be broken. Editors tend to develop nervous conditions when they miss deadlines, and I was noticing a slight twitch near my editor's left eye.

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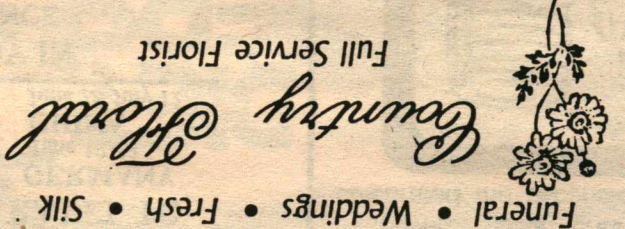
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We were seated by Shad the Host. I wondered what possessed his parents to name him after a fish. Quickly I drank four cups of regular coffee. I find this does one of two things; either it helps me collect my thoughts and express them, or it puts me to sleep.

I had a rather difficult time finding a topic for this column. I thought that it might be interesting to tell you what irritates me, but I'm such an easy-going guy that there just isn't much to write about. Well, when a business won't take my checks, that irritates me. I was at a certain movie theater recently that wouldn't take my check. A friend and I stood in line for quite some time, and when we finally came to the box office, the

editor's left eye. a slight twitch near my deadlines, and I was noticing when their writers miss nothing else, I'm kind of busy develop nervous conditions broken. Editors tend to develop nervous conditions when their writers miss deadlines, and I was noticing a slight twitch near my editor's left eye.

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When Your World Falls Apart

By Dr. C.S. Cowles
Faculty Writer

Twice, since I began this article about an hour ago, a student has been in to see me. Each was in tears. Each had just received devastating news. Before I could finish this piece, the phone rang. It was another broken heart experiencing irretrievable loss.

"In the world you shall have tribulation," warned Jesus. Not even the relatively protected environment of our cozy little college community is exempt from that kind of world. The question is: how do we respond to the shocks, the hurts, the shattering of dreams which all of us experience sooner or later?

I recently read an article entitled "The Bee" by Glenn Wasson which helps me. While eating lunch beside a mountain pool of water he swatted a bee that had been

buzzing around him. Then he crunched it into the sand with his boot. Surprisingly, the bee exploded from the sand and began to buzz its wings furiously. This time he stood up and ground it down with all of his 210 pounds.

Several minutes later Wasson became aware of movement near his foot. Incredibly, it was the bee digging itself out of the dirt, bruised and broken but still alive. Intrigued by its determination, he leaned down to survey the damage. The right wing was intact but the left was crumpled like a piece of paper.

First the bee groomed its sand-encrusted thorax and abdomen. Then it began smoothing the broken wing by running its legs up and down the length. After each straightening session it buzzed its wings as if to test the lift. This hopelessly damaged cripple thought it could still fly! Wasson got

down on his hands and knees to study the stubborn bee in its futile attempts. But the bee seemed not to understand that it was finished. Fascinated, he watched as the bent veins began to stiffen the gossamer wing. Slowly the wing straightened as the bee incessantly exercised and groomed it.



At last the bee felt that the time had come to attempt a trial flight. With an audible buzz it managed to lift itself off the ground, but flew crazily into a rise of sand three inches away. The little creature tumbled drunkenly, but soon righted

itself. More flexing, straightening, and preening followed. And then it was ready to try again. This time it flew six inches before crash-landing. Again more work on its damaged wing as it sought to correct structural defects.

Once more it lifted off and flew straight toward a stump, averting a potentially fatal collision at the last instant. It circled several times, gaining control and confidence. Finally it headed out across the water, drifting on air currents for a brief rest as if admiring its own reflection in the pool. Then it was gone.

Wasson concludes his story by saying, "As the bee disappeared, I realized that I was still on my knees, and I remained on my knees for some time."

I too have witnessed many students who have been ground into the dirt by the crush of massive

disappointments. I too have been amazed at how, again and again, they manage to dig themselves out of the pit into which they have been thrown. I have watched them pick themselves up, assess the damage, and then ingeniously begin to make repairs. I've even seen some of their initial efforts to fly once again flame out. Nevertheless they keep trying. They are stubborn. They know not the meaning of quit, or give up.

And then, when I later see them stride up that graduation ramp to receive their degree, scarred but whole, I too drop to my knees in reverence, wonder, and awe.

"In the world you shall have tribulation." Jesus does not stop there, however. He goes on to say, "Be of good cheer, for I have overcome the world" (John 16:33).

So, when your world falls apart...hangest thou in there!

Making Sense of the Sr. Comp Exam

By Crystal Clough
Guest Writer

In order to graduate, every senior is required to take the Senior Comp Exam. The final opportunity to take this test this year was Wednesday, April 11 at 1 p.m. in the Science Lecture Hall.

The COMP test is a general exam which is designed to evaluate intuitive insight as opposed to knowledge of detail. It requires students to view

issues from different cultural perspectives, and to draw inferences. In the science and technology section, students are asked to interpret and apply technical solutions rather than to derive them.

Organized by the same testing service as the ACT exam, the COMP test is a tool to measure the general effectiveness of a college education, but not the effectiveness of a major department. The scores

from the COMP exam are compared to the scores from the ACT, and colleges are given effectiveness measurement ratings based on the change in score. This is all based on a point system, and the nation's norm is a rating of +5. NNC's current rating is +15. Translated to percentile terminology, this means that NNC's entering students are at the fiftieth percentile. NNC's exiting students, however, are at the sixty-fifth percentile.

Seniors spend an afternoon on the test. It consists of several sections. Many of the questions are related to reading excerpts, brief videos, or taped interviews. The exams are sent to the testing service and the school receives a report with comparisons to the nation's norm. Students can return during the fall of the year after they took the exam to see their score. Interestingly enough, little correlation has been found between test scores and

cumulative grade point averages.

The COMP test is a requirement for graduation. H. Wayne Paul, registrar, suggests that students come in relaxed to take the test and put forth their best effort. Paul states that the COMP exam takes a "macro scope to measure the effectiveness of our educational program." He believes that the exam is a valid measure of the overall general effectiveness of a school.

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The service began with Reverend Forrey of Homedale Assembly of God giving the invocation, and Reverend Dick Shaw of Caldwell First Baptist Church giving the scripture reading. The program also included the "Daybreak" trio, a flag raising by Scout Troup 276 of Caldwell Elks, and a sermonette by Reverend I.W. Dickey of Marsing Church of the Nazarene.

Christian churches of various denominations meet each year to celebrate Easter morning together, including the abovementioned congregations, the Caldwell Church of Christ, Caldwell First Christian Church, and the Associated Deer Flat Methodist Church.



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SPORTS

NNC Crusaders Caught Off Base

By John Brasch
Staff Writer

If the hair on Coach Eric Forseth's head seems a little more gray and a whole lot thinner, it has to be the result of a once promising season sliding slowly into mediocrity. What started as a solid defensive club, bolstered by the strongest pitching rotation seen by the Crusaders in recent years, has been decimated by everything from academic ineligibility to freak motorcycle accidents. Combine those factors with a rash of heartbreaking seventh inning losses and no one would be surprised if the U.P.S. truck started delivering Roloids and Pepto-Bismol by the case to the Crusader coaching staff.

Despite all the adversity, coach Forseth stoically proclaims, "We've been faring well through all of our hardships." One to never dwell on the dark side of

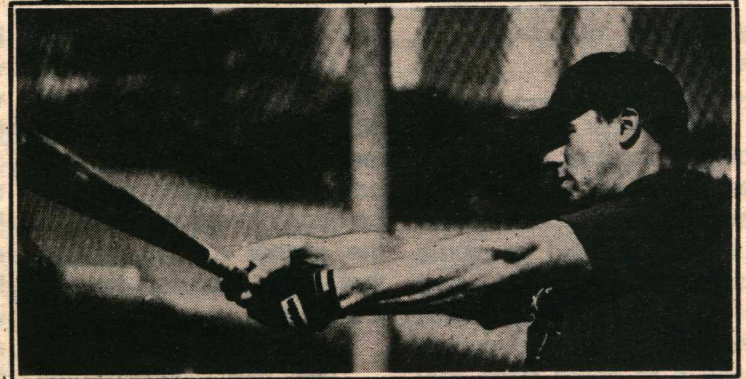
situations, the Crusader mentor has to be having some sleepless nights over the loss of his three top pitchers following the spring break California trip. Eric Floyd was 3-1 until academics sent him to the showers for the rest of the year. Promising young pitcher, Ron Langley also withdrew after the break. The most bizarre loss to the pitching staff came when leading reliever, Casey Young, was involved in a fatal motorcycle/pedestrian accident leaving him with a broken wrist and cracked sternum and lucky to be alive. "Its tough when you lose three quality pitchers," says Forseth in his typically understated style. Most coaches would agree the descriptive word should be "disastrous" rather than merely "tough."

As if the loss of three pitchers wasn't enough, Greg Wilcox, hard hitting defensive standout shortstop, also

succumbed to the academic ax. Throw in several disciplinary suspensions after the California trip, which left the Crusaders seven top ballplayers short, the weekend of March 30-31 was the low point. The diamondmen lost two doubleheaders with the opponents scoring an average of over 14 runs per game. "Forty walks in a weekend," moaned Coach Forseth.

After all this, one would expect the Crusaders to be on the ropes and waiting for the knockout punch. Instead the following week they scrapped back and were barely nipped by C of I in a pair of 7th inning losses, 8-7 and 3-2. "Our pitchers did the job," exclaimed Forseth. "In the 3-2 loss, Nolan Radke didn't give up an earned run through the whole game."

Incredibly, throughout all the setbacks, the Crusader bats have been ringing to the tune of an amazing team



Although the Crusaders have run in to obstacles off the field, their hitting has improved. (Photo by John Brasch)

batting average of .274. Mike Redmond is hammering the ball at a .417 clip, including one legendary home-run blast at Rodeo Park that eyewitnesses claimed was still rising as it hit the light bar in center field. Gary Jones shares the HR lead with Redmond at 5 each and also is leading the team with 21 RBIs.

The Crusaders have taken some shots to the chin, but league records only indicate an 0-2 record and the biggest part of the season in the Timber Prairie

Athletic Conference lies ahead. With continued strong hitting led by the Redmond-Jones duo, the club promises some exciting baseball in the weeks to come. If the pitching can come around to keep the Crusaders in the game as the hitters continue to score the runs, there's no reason to expect anything less than exciting baseball for the rest of the season. Grab your Mav mug, shades, suntan lotion and head on down to Rodeo Park for some real baseball action.

Intramurals Entice Students

By John Rimbey
Staff Writer

The quest for fun is becoming easily attainable for the students of Northwest Nazarene College. This tomfoolery is a product of intramural sports and activities. What's so great about intramurals? That's what I asked a few students here on campus. Much to my surprise, I got a few responses.

Ingmar Hinrichs: "Meiner meinug nachsind Intramural Sports eifach spitze! Eine talle gelegenheit fur studenten sich auszutoben!"

Eric Askren: "Yo pienso que Intramural Sports estan muy divertido!"

Jay Clark: "Intramural Sports? Well, basketball was fun."

Intramurals is seeing a wide variety of participation from the student body this term. Close to half of those enrolled are involved in the numerous activities available to them. This term offers not just a few goings-on thanks to Tabitha Smith and the intramural gang. Ms. Smith was enthusiastic about this and the many students already participating. If you're not already involved in playing the sports going on now, we would love to see you come support your favorite team on the sidelines. The following is a list of the intramural activities going on this term:

Lazer Tag- A sport for the new generation and those of us who didn't get enough playing war as kids. It happens on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in Montgomery Fieldhouse, 10pm until midnight. Come and Watch.

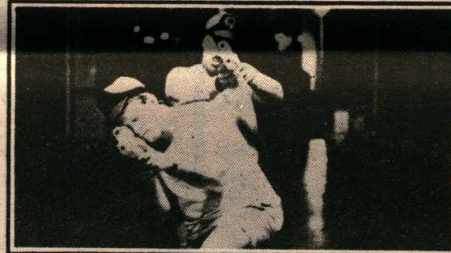
Volleyball- Saturday mornings, 9 'til noon, come watch

co-ed volleyball in the gym. It doesn't interfere with softball.

Softball- This is the sport seeing most participation on our campus. There are a number of teams already doing well. The Faculty team seems unstoppable after a narrow escape from the talons of the MOSH. Show up and cheer them on.

Roller Hockey- The sport of the century. Come and experience the excitement 10 pm, saturday nights, at Roller Magic Roller Rink.

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NNC Athletics: Means to an End

By Prof. Jim Mikkelson
Guest Columnist

I remember the first time I played baseball. I was nine years old. My best friend's dad was the coach so I tried out with the aid of some inside information. All I had to do was catch the ball when it came my direction, throw it to some other guy who'd be yelling at me, and swing the bat real hard when I went to the plate.

The tipped-off tryout was a success and I got my first uniform. A dark maroon hat. I had to supply the jeans, T-shirt, and the glove.

We practiced for a day or two then had our first game. Back then they didn't have softened balls for the kids or giant tees to hit from. It was hardball and chew, oxtide

and bubble gum. I was at the top of the batting order and recall walking to the plate when my coach caught me for a last minute powwow. He told me that he hadn't heard much about the pitcher except that he threw hard, and that he was a little wild.

The first pitch of my baseball career buried itself in my armpit. The coach was right at least one account. The kid threw hard. It was never actually determined whether he was, in fact, wild. I got beated four times in that game, thus earning a permanent position at the top of the order. The final time the pitcher threw right at what must have looked like a skinny bat to him—my leg, and instead of walking to first, I just walked

back to the dugout wondering rather out-loud who the nitwit was that invented the game.

I managed to make it through that season only because, no matter how many times the other team hit us, with bats or pitches, we always went out afterwards for ice cream cones. The laughter and fun associated with the comradeship of the game are what stick in my memory some 25 years later.

As dubious as my beginnings were in the world of sports, I still have many very fond associations with it. Which brings me to my point. At a small liberal arts college like NNC I find it very satisfying that we have a sports program. I have heard on more than one occasion some grumblings

about these programs though. I read a student essay arguing for more money in the athletic budget in order to get better athletes in order to compete better within our district; I have also heard folks with the best hearts complain about the baseball program here, mentioning in their complaints everything from the playing field to the poultry budget to the caliber of athlete.

Personally I like the way athletics are run here. Unlike so much of American life the means here is not mistaken for the end. The end of this college is not to win the district in some given sport; it is to build a person of some moral character who can think and act intelligently in this world. We can only do this if our priorities

regarding our sensitive nature and our rational nature are in place. We play as a means to an end. The end is clear thinking, and subsequently, clear acting. But having animal bodies and all the energies of an animal, in order to think best we sometimes have to burn off the excess energy. Doctors are telling us this now, but Aristotle told us this 2500 years ago.

As long as sports are seen as a means to an end, that being to help relax us in order to think better, we have everything we need in the way of athletics here at NNC. And if we keep this perspective, chances are, 25 years from now we'll still have not only our memories, but we'll probably still be involved in some kind of activity as well.

Tennis Raises Racquet

By Don Curtis
Sports Editor

Women's Crusader tennis won their first team match last weekend, defeating Walla Walla Community College, 7-2.

This year's tennis team is young, but shows a lot of potential. Leanne Mckillip, Junior, is the only returning member. The strongest member, however, is Joanne Stephens.

"She's the most experienced," said Mckillip, "and she's got a good head for strategy."

Even though most of the team is inexperienced,

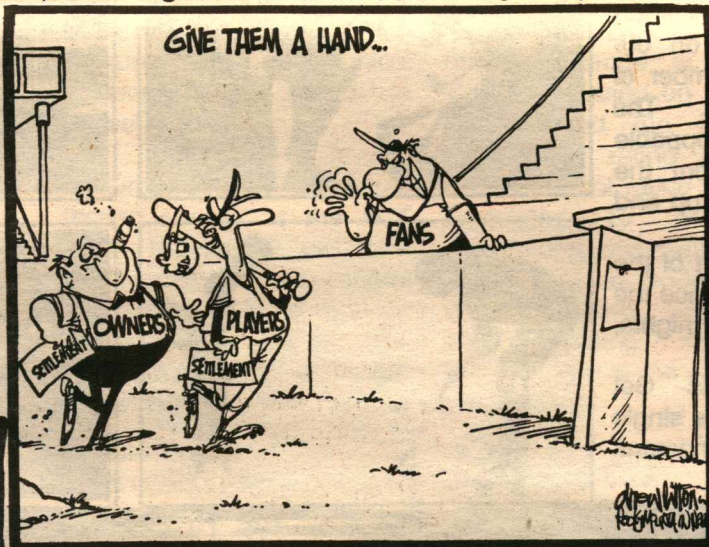
having never played in team competition before, they possess many assets.

"We have the ability to laugh at our losses," said Mckillip. "We learn how to cooperate, how to compete. And, we also get tan."

Members of this year's team are Jennifer Barnhardt, Christy Daniels, Marianne Faulks, Leanne Mckillip, Tricia Pelletier, Joanne Stephens, Cindy Taylor, and Karina Wolf. The team is coached by Rusty Taylor.



NNC track off to running start while tennis is just warming up. (Photos by Mike Suehiro)



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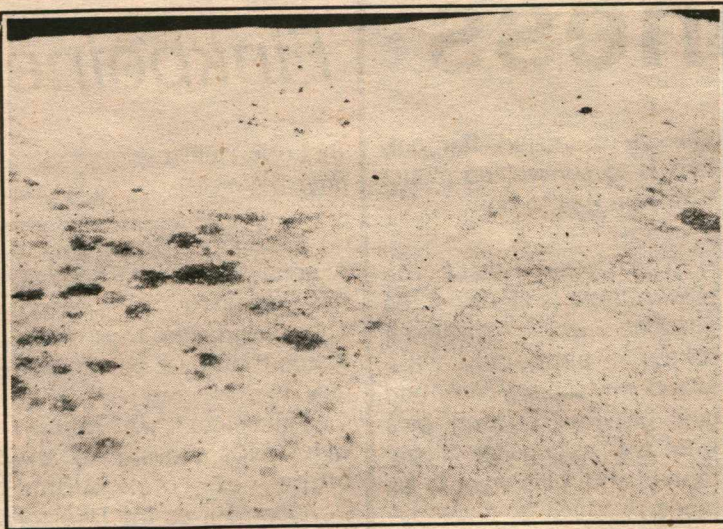
Community Relations

By Mary Reimers
Staff Writer

Third term has started out very strong in the way of NNC's community outreach. Crystal Clough, Community Relations Coordinator, has long been working on Compassion week, March 26-31. Compassion week ended with the Act of Compassion, a community service day, March 31. According to Clough, 135 students participated in the effort to reach out to the elderly and needy people in our community. "It was definitely a success," Clough stated. "Everyone had a great time."

Some of the volunteers were scattered throughout the community cleaning and doing yard work for elderly people. About 40 other workers participated at the Hope House doing outdoor work, while others prepared and cleaned up the noon meal at the Maranatha House's soup kitchen for the homeless and needy people of Nampa. Several others went to the Boy's Home to do work in an irrigation ditch, while still others painted at the Syringa House, a house for teenage girls.

Other community relations projects are: the student survey on publicity in the executive council; the Rotary Luncheons with President Wetmore; and the student newsletter, which is "still coming," stated Clough.



Handicapped Parking . . . everywhere! Saturday, April 14, somehow these parking symbols appeared in every parking space on the circle drive in front of the Ad. Building. (Photo by Rhonda C. Wittorf)

PLEASED & DISPLEASED

By Mary Reimers
Staff Writer

The Gratuities and Grievances Forum took place Wednesday, April 11 in the Science Lecture Hall.

The administrators present included: Mr. Rich Hagood, Vice President of Institutional Advancement; Mr. Wes Maggard, Director of Housing; and Mr. Ted Morgan, Director of Plant Services. Jeff Richards again acted as moderator between panel members and students.

Hagood informed the students of the future plans for NNC, including the Mission XXI proposals for new buildings and other proposals to enhance the school's character. He also spoke about the Finkbeiner Memorial and the arboretum between the Student Center

and Corlett Hall. He described the arboretum as a "natural aspen community" including a variety of trees and ground coverings most commonly seen with aspen communities. There are also plans to build an amphitheater in the center of the memorial area just south of Elmore Hall.

Many questions were proposed to Maggard about the housing and dormitory situations. The most prominent question was about the conflict students face during term breaks. Not able to go home due to expenses, they are forced to pay to live in Mangum Hall, which is "not fit for living," according to Terry Buster. Many alternative solutions were suggested by students as well as administrators, including allowing students to live in the dorms and "maintain" them by preventing pipes from freezing, and securing everything from vandalism, etc. Another suggestion proposed was to contact the

Abortion

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threat to the life or physical health of the woman.

The bill caught the public eye when the NOW (National Organization for Women) leader Molly Yard, called for a threat to boycott Idaho potatoes in order to place pressure on the governor in his decision. Many pro-choice organizations across the nation joined in the boycott threat. Said Yard after the governor's decision, "How much effect the threat of a boycott had, I haven't the vaguest idea, but he certainly did, in my opinion, the right thing."

Pro-lifers felt that they had been "betrayed" by Andrus' decision to veto HB 625. Many stated that Andrus would know their disappointment come election time. Though praised for his decision by many Pro-choice advocates, Andrus has been accused of betraying his own beliefs as a Right to Life advocate.

Andrus stated that he had "always been against legalized abortion," but local Nazarene churches for families willing to house a student over the break.

Another big topic during the discussion was the phone system. Because Phone America promised the "same service" at a lower cost than AT&T, the school chose to switch to Phone America this year. Due to the problems students and parents have had in communicating with each other, and the added cost to students' phone bills, students have been encouraged to write their

"acted in the best interest of the state." Andrus said that HB 625 was not a good piece of legislation and was likely to turn the victim into a criminal in many cases. Andrus also conceded that boycott threats were not part of his consideration. The governor sought counsel from legal scholars including Professors Richard Wilkins of BYU Law School in Provo, Utah, and James McDonald of U of I Law School, Moscow, and both advised him to veto the bill. Although Right to Life leaders accused Andrus of not consulting with Pro-life scholars, Wilkins is known as a Pro-life advocate.

One NNC Pro-choice student stated, "You don't have to agree with abortion to oppose HB 625. Women have the right to a choice! If you don't agree with abortion your best example is to not have one!"

In the past Governor Andrus is known as having worked hard for Idaho in the areas of education, environmental protection and economic development. However, many political supporters seem to now be saying that Andrus is wrong on this abortion issue and they cannot accept that.

A specific problem down and submit it to Student Development, allowing administrators a chance to review the situation and possibly switch back to the more reliable system.

Other issues such as off-campus housing privileges, the dining hall meal plans, the fining system in the dorms, and more were also discussed. Each of the administrative participants have agreed to do further research on the issues in order to solve the problems.

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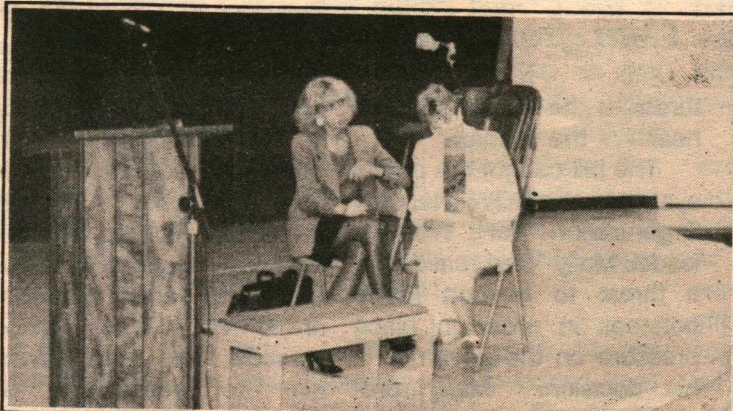
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Rape Awareness



Rape Awareness Seminar, Thursday April 12 (Photo by Rhonda C. Wittorf)

By Rhonda C. Wittorf
Staff Writer

A rape awareness seminar was held in the Science Lecture Hall on 12 April. The seminar was conducted by Rose Moore, president of the Network to Stop Violence Against Women, and Bev LaChance, director of the Women's Crisis Center in Boise. The seminar focused on the history of rape and battery, definitions of rape, myths of rape, societal attitudes which

promote rape, and rape prevention tactics.

Several profiles of rapists were also given: the type of man, what weapon he uses to threaten the victim and if he is likely to be a repeat offender.

Two important themes which ran through the seminar were: date/acquaintance rape is the most common kind of rape, and according to Moore, "if a woman is being

sexually assaulted, her only task is to survive, no matter what she has to do.

The main tactic to prevent rape is to dispel the attitudes which make it "okay;" especially the attitudes which say "only bad girls get raped," "only girls who are asking for it get raped," and "girls want to be raped."

Finkbeiner Resigns

By Lorie Palmer
Staff Writer

Executive Secretary of Alumni, Myron Finkbeiner, has resigned his position. The resignation took place March 9 and will be effective July 1.

Finkbeiner will remain with NNC, moving to the office of Institutional Development as the Director

of Development.

The Alumni Board, comprised of former NNC students, is searching for someone to fill the vacancy of Executive Secretary. Notice of the vacancy will appear in the next *Messenger*. The board has currently begun to develop a list of criteria for the job, optimistically hoping to have the position filled by July 1.

ASNNC

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is a paid one, according to Danny Morse.

According to Jeff Richards, an "election" is not completed until the votes are counted. Therefore, the Jr. class officer still would have had time to ask for a recount.

The ASNNC Executive Vice President, Rob Thompson, said that the Judicial Board never had an actual meeting because of several reasons, thus, their invalidation of the election was not legitimate. First, Thompson stated that there was a person at the Judicial Board executive session who was not on the board, which is wrong according to Judicial Board procedure as stated in the Senate meeting of March 6. This is because all decisions must come down from executive session,

according to Morse. Second, the senate, the chairman of the Elections Committee, and the Executive Vice President, were not informed of the meeting which is "at least an understood procedure," according to Thompson. Third, it was not a contested election. Last, the decision was not followed by the necessary Writ of Mandamus. Thompson said that the Judicial Board was "in clear violation of procedures."

Chief Justice Morse argues that the Judicial Board's written procedures do not address this particular proceeding.

There are several duties of the proposed executive position of Publicity Director. The proposed Section 3, Statute 8 of the ASNNC code explains the job description of the proposed Publicity Director: "a) to inform the

ASNNC of major ASNNC social activities and ASNNC-sponsored activities by whatever means deemed appropriate; b) to serve as a resource for informing the ASNNC of ASNNC class-sponsored activities; c) to serve as a resource for informing the ASNNC of any other events deemed appropriate; d) to maintain the ASNNC Government Bulletin Board; e) to establish rules and fines for placement or use of non-election propaganda; f) to collect fines for violation of those rules described in Subdivision e and to deposit such fines in the ASNNC General Account; g) to serve on the Activities Planning Committee and the ASNNC Executive Council; h) to post and maintain office hours; and i) to present an office report at the meetings of the ASNNC Senate.

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Enrollment Changes



By Bruce Larsen
Staff Writer

Total student enrollment is 1040 this term after a drop of 43 students, according to Registrar Wayne Paul. There are 22 brand new students as well as 40 readmits. According to Paul, there were 111 "no shows" this term and no transfers.

Even with a loss of 43 students, enrollment is up compared to last year's spring term figure of 1023. This is ironic considering the fall enrollment of 1133, down compared to last year's figure of 1148.

The office of the registrar calculates a figure for statistical analysis. It is figured by taking the total hours taken and dividing it by 16, the median class load for the full-time student. There are 949.5 full-time students according to this figure. Last year there were 951.

These changes are minimal according to Paul. He said that this year is "statistically consistent with previous years."



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