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## Column One

What is diversity?

When I was a freshman at NNU, I remember talking with my best friend from high school about the differences between her new school, the University of Washington, and my own.

Karen, who had been part of the .5% minority population at our high school, was excited to be on a campus with what she labeled "diversity."

I couldn't help but think that this campus, while demographically similar, was also diverse. After all, I could talk to one person, and then talk to another person who might look quite similar -- but they would be so different. I don't know, but I just never got in the habit of saying, "Here comes another white girl. I talked to one of them yesterday, so I guess I don't need to talk to this one. They're all the same."

Which draws me to my answer to the question of what diversity is (according to me). I believe diversity is the difference in how people think, what they believe in, and how they behave. All these things are not dependent on the color of a person's skin.

It is true that in Karen's house they speak Chinese. It is also true that in my grandparents' houses, they spoke German. And despite the fact that Karen and I look different, the true measure of our differences (or similarities) is not in our skin color.

*Monica Olson*  
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On Page One: This week's cover art was designed by Karen Schlatter.

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# Biology student works with horses

by Sarah Pearson

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Within the past year, a new veterinary clinic has gone up in Nampa next to the Idaho Center. Nothing new, you might say? Well, this particular clinic is the Idaho Equine Hospital, specializing strictly in horses and their relatives. The hospital does surgery, lab work and more complicated procedures for horses. Facilities like this aren't very common, this is the most modern in Idaho. And NNU student Ryan Etter has the opportunity to work there.

Ryan Etter, a junior Biology major here at NNU, got the job last year when it first opened. He works as a veterinary technician, giving treatments mornings and nights, helping with surgery and recovery, taking radiographs (X-rays), doing lab blood work and keeping everything stocked. He sometimes does night shifts, staying at the clinic throughout the night to hourly give a colicking or otherwise sick horse its treatment.

How he got the job there is simple: he went in and asked for a job there when they first

opened, before any interns or vet techs had been signed on, and got one. In working there, he hopes to get good hands-on experience working with the animals, as well as recommendations and future contacts, both of which are essential for most post-graduate programs including veterinary school.

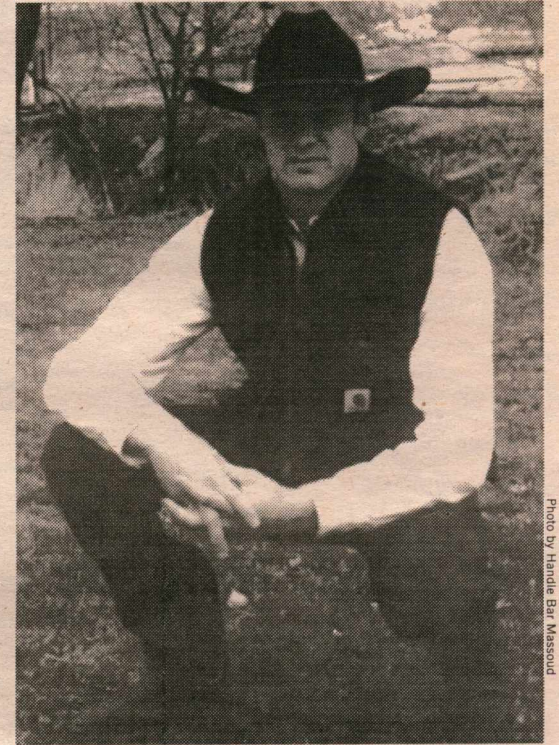
You've probably seen Ryan around school; he stands head and shoulders above most NNU students, literally. Originally from Franklin, Ohio, Ryan is working for his Bachelor of Science in Biology here at NNU. While he wasn't raised on a farm, at least not with his immediate family, outside family members had farms and he worked on them while growing up. He trained hunting dogs and other animals and grew up wanting to work with animals.

Even though he is working at the veterinary clinic, he says he doesn't want to enter vet school and become a veterinarian immediately upon graduation. He is planning on getting his Masters in Pathobiology after graduating and research diseases. The future, according to Ryan, is still open after that, and becoming a

veterinarian may still be part of it.

Ryan is also working with the Caldwell Research Laboratories, helping them study diseases in the elk and bison populations. He goes out with research teams on weekends and nets or darts the animals to get samples from them. They are currently testing for a disease, Brucellosis, which is affecting herds and individual animals in Idaho. An excursion is planned for next weekend in which he and the team he works with will be wrestling the large animals (elk are the size of horses and have pronged antlers which can be lethal) to obtain samples for testing.

The Idaho Equine Hospital is in Nampa, next to the Idaho Center near the freeway. For infor-



Ryan Etter, a Biology major here at NNU, works at the Idaho Equine Hospital as a veterinary technician. Etter's job provides him with a wide variety of hands-on experience with animals.

# Events coordinators leading busy lives

by Mindy Oldenkamp

*Crusader Campus Staff Writer*

For the past twenty-four years, Robin Lande has watched the campus of Northwest Nazarene College grow and change, develop and bloom. Now, as changes continue to occur and life at NNU is seldom without something new, Lande watches something else continue to grow and expand--her own office.

In the past year and a half, what used to be only a small part of the Graduate and Continuing Studies office has broadened into its own division. Now, with Lande serving as office manager, the office of Conferences and Events has grown to become its own busy center of activity.

What was once only a small, part time position has become a full time labor, and the office now employs a manager and an assistant, Jackie Schober, as well as three to four NNU students. Together, they are responsible for booking and smoothly running all the many events which come to NNU's campus.

Throughout the course of the school year, the office makes possible a myriad of different events,

from concerts featuring classical orchestra music, to symposiums, to the presentation of various conferences and courses. They take care of the booking of all events for not only the Brandt Center, but for all the other buildings on

Events Office.

However, the office does not survive on its own. "All things that occur on this campus are the result of amazing teamwork. If it weren't for the cooperation of other areas such as Marriott and

can be met. Once the primary needs are fulfilled, the office turns its attention to the surrounding community.

"After we can be sure that everything on campus is taken care of, then we have a chance to reach out to the community and do something nice for them," said Lande. For instance, the Brandt Center offers many opportunities to give back to the community, and many people take advantage of the facility or simply enjoy the art galleries. After school is out, the pace continues at a rapid measure. Summer brings a completely new schedule of events for the office, and the campus is always busy. With things happening such as Girls' State, and numerous soccer and other athletic camps all summer long, there is little time to take a breath. But, the office



Jackie Schober (assistant) and Robin Lande (office manager) work in the Brandt Center in the office of Conferences and Events.

campus as well. Many local businesses make use of NNU's facilities for such things as meetings, training seminars and orientations, and all must be scheduled through the Conference and

Environmental Services, nothing would ever be able to take place," stated Lande.

And with the help of other departments on campus, the needs of the NNU student body

of Conferences and Events takes it all in stride. "It's a team effort, and it makes it all worth while to see that we're giving something to the campus and community," said Lande.

# Former Director of Residential Life returns

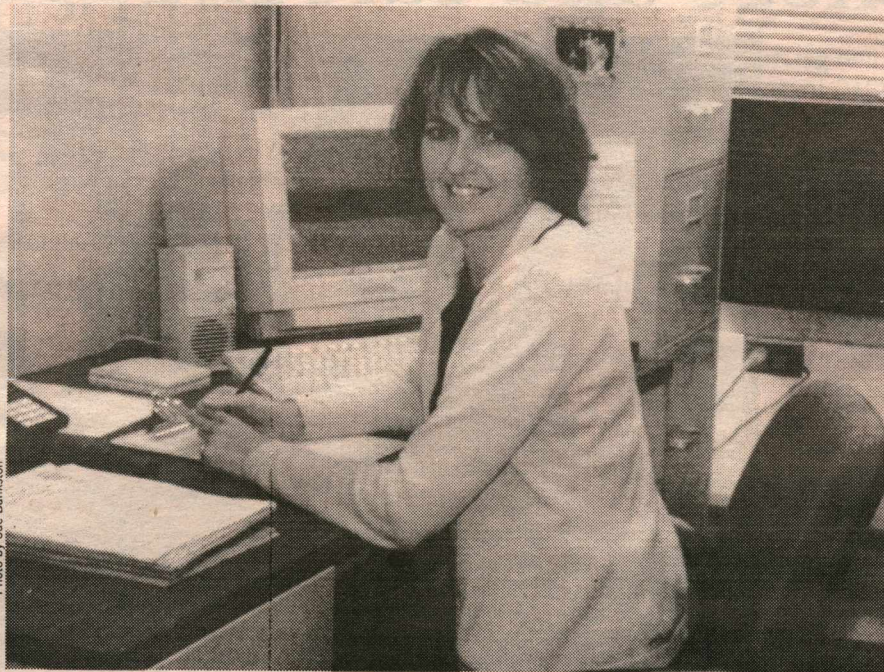
by Mindy Oldenkamp

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For many of the students of NNU, the tremendous amount of change that has come to our campus within the last year has been a little overwhelming and perhaps a little hard to keep a handle on. The name's not the same, the place looks a little bare with all the missing trees and shrubbery and the changes that are going on in preparation for the giant leap from terms to semesters have all left the student body spinning.

And yet changes continue to occur as NNU moves into a new era. To help the campus and student body make the changes smoothly, a new Director of Residential Life has stepped in to fill the vacancy left by Kent Berggren. Berggren, who served as the Director for the previous three years, left the campus of NNU in order to take a position designing and working on web pages, which he viewed as being paid to do his favorite hobby for a living.

Although the transition was a little sudden and the vacancy a rather unexpected one, it was not



Karen Pearson, the new Director of Residential Life, is filling the vacancy left by the former Director of Residential Life, Kent Berggren. Pearson, eager to lend a helping hand while serving in this position, will fill this position for the remainder of the year.

a difficult one to fill. A familiar face to NNC has returned to the office of Student Development to lend a helping hand for the remainder of the year. Karen Pearson has filled in the position for an interim until the end of the year.

"Although it was sad to see Kent leave, it's great to have Karen back in the office. She knows what she's doing, and she does a great job of taking care of things," said Sue Bankston of Student Development. "She was always a lot of fun to work with,

Pearson stated.

And now that she's back on the campus, even if it is for a short period of time, Pearson has high hopes of impacting the school as best she can. She's doing her best to get to know the team of RD's and help them in

and it's good to have her back with us."

Pearson is no stranger to the campus of NNU. She spent three years as Culver's RD and four years as the Director of Residential Life. She left to spend time with her young child and family, as well as to finish her Masters degree in education with an emphasis in counseling. Pearson also worked with alumni, serving as the Director of the Crusader Athletic Association. "I liked working with the alumni end of the school, but it's nice to be back on campus and have direct contact with the student body,"

the situations that arise, as well as to best serve the whole student body.

"I also have high hopes of enacting some policy changes and improving the livability conditions of the campus. We hope to do some repainting and refurbishing in the dorms, and make things a little more comfortable," Pearson stated. "We hope to work hard on the issues that directly affect the students." She is already setting up schedules and plans for the summer volunteer crews who will be in the dorms repairing and repainting.

Along with working on the aspect of student life that falls under the work of Residential Life, Pearson will also be working with Dianna Gunderson in the counseling center, as well as teaching some of the graduate level courses in counseling. Between being the new Residential Life Director and keeping busy with counseling, Karen Pearson is an extremely busy woman. However, she plans to make the best of her time on campus.

"I really enjoy being back on the campus with a familiar staff and getting the chance to work with the students again is great."

# Study tour will allow students to see the world

by Carrie Goldsmith

Crusader Campus Staff Writer

Have you ever wanted to see Buckingham Palace? What about Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, the BBC, Stonehenge or an assortment of castles? Well, here's your chance! The communication and english departments at NNU are sponsoring a study tour to London, England. July 26 to August 25, 2000, 25 students, along with three NNU faculty, will be flying to London to see another part of world!

Dr. Alan Hueth, Professor Reg Hill and Dr. Dennis Waller will be the three professors on the trip, teaching each of the classes. Each student who goes will receive seven semester credits while working in London. The two classes that everyone will take are "Introduction to London and British Culture" and "Survey of British Communication." Each student will take one elective on top of these.

The focus of the study trip is literature, along with British media, Shakespeare, British journalism, study of persuasion and public speaking. Aside from classroom instruction, there will

be many field trips as well as guest speakers. An NNC graduate who lives in London will be telling the group good places to visit and what they should experience while touring this fabulous city.

The group will be staying at Commonwealth Hall near Russell Square, on the campus of the



While touring in the heart of London, you could walk by the famous Big Ben Clock.

University of London. Each student will have their own fully furnished room and an English breakfast every morning. Other college and high school students will be staying at the dorm as well. You could meet other people from the U.S., any country in Europe or perhaps the world!

Tuition for the classes is

\$3,400, which is quite comparable to next year's tuition rates. This price includes tuition, room, ground travel, required field trips, insurance fees, course packets and most meals. Beyond that, the student must have money for airfare, some food and personal spending money. The estimated cost of the trip is \$4,700. To see a breakdown of the cost and other details about the trip, visit the website at [www.nnu.edu/Londonweb/](http://www.nnu.edu/Londonweb/).

You may think that sounds quite expensive, but it is really a fabulous deal! For this amount of money, you get a month in London (plus any other traveling you may do on the weekends), dinner at Anchor Bankside Tavern

(restaurant near Globe Theatre—Shakespeare's old "haunt") on the Thames River, a Shakespearean play at London's Open Air Theatre, a "West End" theatrical play, a Globe Theatre tour, a viewing of a taping of a television program at the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), Stonehenge, Salisbury Cathedral, Bath and Dover and Dover

Castle.

Other places to visit and events to attend included during your month stay in England are Canterbury, tour of British Parliament (England's "capital building"), walk-by tour of Fleet Street (equivalent of New York's Wall Street), High Tea at Fortnum and Mason, Museum of the Moving Image, Imperial War Museum, Wesley House and Church, Hyde Park and "speaker's corner", 10 Downing Street (England's "White House"), walk-by tours in London: Westminster Abbey and Cathedral, Buckingham Palace, St. James Park, Picadilly Circus, Trafalgar Square, Harrod's Department Store, and other locations, closing program dinner at Porter's (one of the oldest and best London restaurants). And on top of all that you get seven semester credits!

If you were to try to go on your own to London and see all these in a month, it would cost at least \$10,000. And that does not even count the classes! This really is the deal of a lifetime! To

help with expenses, the professors who are going have donated some of their own money toward scholarships. To find out about the financial end of this, contact your financial aid advisor or Lee Cook in Continuing Education at 467-8491.

This tour is for any NNU student or any faculty or dependent who is willing to pay. There is a 25-person limit and the extended deadline for the application is February 15, so you need to go



The people going on this study tour will get to visit many of London's tourist attractions, including Buckingham Palace (above).

talk to the professors right away to get involved with this trip! This is an amazing opportunity to experience another culture and get involved in exciting activities. The opportunity is here, so just do it!

# ROTC offers college and career opportunities

by Vito Montebalco  
Crusader Campus Writer

"Fall-in! About Face!" These are the sounds that Jeremy Riehl, Faith Brown, Andy Nilson, Braden Anderson, Naomi Falby, Sara Sherman, CJ Tiley and the others who participate in the Army Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) hear every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning in their Physical Training class.

According to Brown, the Executive Officer, four NNU students are contract or commissioned cadets with obligatory military service. Three others are not yet commissioned or are in it for fun.

ROTC started during World War I to train reserve officers.

them go through college and get a degree, according to ROTC information pamphlet.

The NNU ROTC program is affiliated through the ROTC program at Boise State University. According to Brown, each Thursday the cadets from NNU go and participate in the BSU ROTC program activities.

"I joined [ROTC] because of the benefits—the coverage of my tuition and fees, the \$200 a month, the \$450 that I get twice a year. It is also comforting as a senior to know I have a job as soon as I graduate," enjoined Riehl, Commander and Chief of the NNU Cadets.

The ROTC program primarily offers full four-year scholarships, with a few three year and two years scholarships. The scholarships are up to \$16,000 for tuition and fees but does not cover room and board. Plus the extra money bonuses described by Riehl above.

Different types of scholarships are available: a four, three or two year scholarship, Advanced Designee, Reserve Force Duty and Green to Gold, all of which have some form of military obligation.

Each scholarship has a wide variety of eligibility requirements. Some of the most common are as follows: must be a U.S. Citizen; no older than 27 years of age on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June of



Andy Nilson, Jeremy Riehl, Braden Anderson, Faith Brown, Sara Sherman and Naomi Falby are members of NNU's ROTC program and are advised by Capt. Laurence C. Lobdell (front right). NNU's ROTC program is affiliated with BSU's ROTC program.

the year of college graduation/commissioning; and under 30 years-old if one has three or more years active duty.

Also, one cannot have more than ten years of active federal service; no part of pending civil or criminal charges or judgement; have a minimum of 920 SAT or composite of 19 on the ACT; participate in leadership, extracurricular and athletic activities (part-time jobs earn substitution credit); agree to accept a commission as either a Regular Army, Army National Guard or U.S. Army Reserve Officer and meet physical fitness standards. This is according to information pamphlet.

According to the Military Department web-site, the ROTC program is divided into phases: The Basic Course studies Army history, organization and structure, and the techniques and principles of leadership and management are emphasized throughout. The Advanced Course concentrates on tactical operations and military instruction, as well as advanced techniques of management, leadership and command.

"Military service is both mentally and physically challenging. You test yourself daily," Brown said.

Students benefit from ROTC in college and after graduation.

Cadets find that the training and experience that they have received are assets, whether pursuing an army or civilian career. Employers place high regard on the management and leadership skills that ROTC instructors stress. Plus, ROTC looks very good on a resume. Upon graduation, when cadets complete the ROTC course, they become commissioned officers in the U.S. Army.

"I consider the military a family and an environment I enjoy. I feel more comfortable in the military than in the civilian world," commented Brown. "I also believe in one's duty to God, family and country."

*"[The ROTC] trains college students to become leaders, officers and disciplined citizens while at the same time helping them go through college and get a degree."*

Today, more than 1,500 schools participate in preparing student to be commissioned officers in the army. This program trains college student to become leaders, officers and disciplined citizens while at the same time helping

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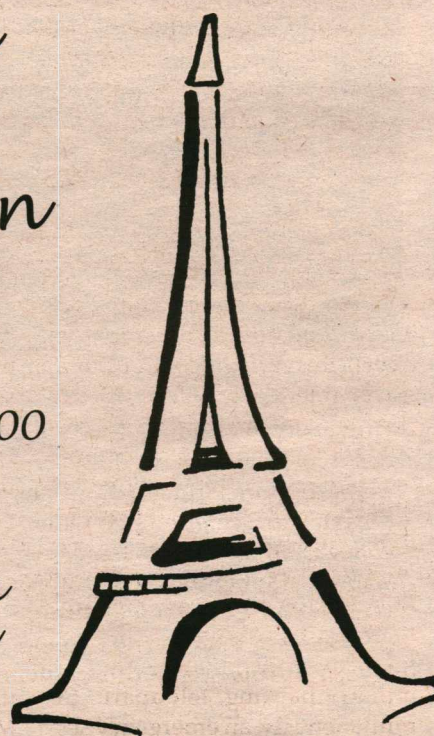
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# Ecuador has a new president

by Heather Oglevie

World News Staff Writer

An armed but bloodless coup in the capital city of Quito in Ecuador Friday successfully removed President Jamil Mahuad from power. Saturday morning, his vice president, Gustavo Noboa, assumed the Presidency with the backing of the military and the popular support his predecessor lacked. The decision to raise him to power so quickly was furthered by pressure from the United States, the Ecuadoran Congress, and other countries.

How such an event could take place is difficult to understand without considering the factors behind it. Earlier this month, President Mahuad began to take steps to correct Ecuador's downward-sliding economy, which is currently at a nearly all-time low. Within the Latin American nation of 12 million, inflation rates are at 60% and the unemployment level is such that fewer than one-third of the population works full-time.

Hardest hit are the country's four million Indians, the majority of whom live in poverty. However, Mahuad's proposition on January ninth—that Ecuador's sucre be dropped as the national unit of currency and the U.S. dollar put in its place—frustrated most of the country's population and infuriated the rest.

The value of the sucre has dropped over 70% against the dollar over the past year, resulting in conversion rates of 25,000 per dollar. Yet the proposed economic move is perceived by many as being Mahuad's last-ditch attempt to preserve his presidency. He claimed that it would make Ecuador's economy more comparable to the United States' and eventually lower interest rates to more reasonable levels; his critics say his proposal would benefit only the bankers who are already wealthy, while devastating the sucre-based savings of the Indian people.

Friday morning, the discontent of the people came to a head. A crowd of Indians and military forces, backed and urged on by mid-level officers who sought to persuade their commanders to

oust Mahuad, stormed the empty Congress building and presidential palace. For several tense hours Mahuad stood firm, refusing to back down in the face of the overwhelming anger of the crowd, which had declared a "Parliament of the People" and made many impassioned speeches from the Congress galleries.

"Enough of this corruption," declared Col. Patricio Acosta, one of some 180 middle level officers supporting the uprising. "It has made us all poor." That night, Mahuad again swore that he would not leave the presidency, but former defense min-

sion of Congress elevated Vice-President Noboa to office, thus centering power back in the constitutional government. Noboa has the full support of the military forces and the United States, but the Indians profess themselves as being dissatisfied, particularly as Noboa plans to continue Mahuad's economic policies, including adopting the U.S. dollar.

The coup was affected bloodlessly, partly through the quick action of the junta. Although there was talk before the coup officially ended of bringing Mahuad to trial, this seems to have been abandoned in favor of

other goals.

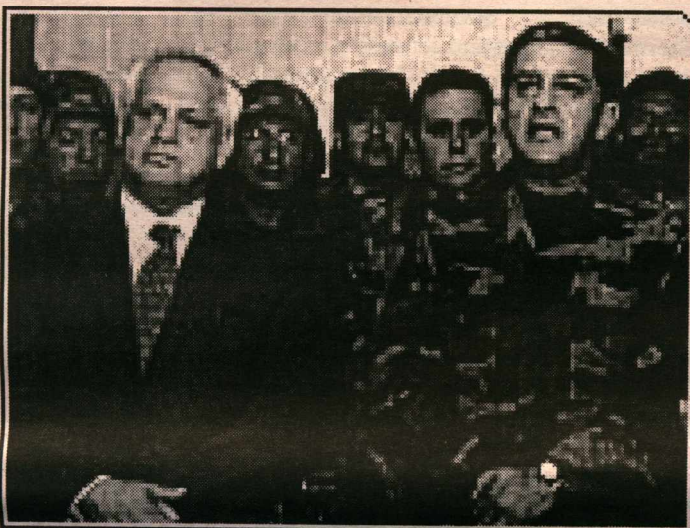
Mahuad stands accused of protecting corrupt bankers and officials from prosecution, though his unpopularity among groups such as the military stems more from months of indecisive leadership and his failure to effectively deal with the Indian rebellion than from corruption. Saturday morning, as Noboa took office,

the troops present in the presidential palace and the Congress building had disappeared back to their barracks.

Mahuad has expressed his opinion of the situation in a surprise television interview, denouncing the coup, which he calls "a national and international shame" for Ecuador. However, he added, "I ask you to give Gustavo Noboa the support you did not give to me. The hours ahead for the president will be very hard. He has to make very important and very difficult decisions. He needs the country's support. I wish Gustavo Noboa the best of luck."

Noboa himself modestly said only, "Under the laws laid out in the constitution I find myself under the obligation of assuming the presidency of Ecuador," when questioned at a news conference. "I have the support of the armed forces and national police."

Congress, in a special session Saturday in the business capital Guayaquil, passed a motion allowing Noboa to stay in office until 2003, the official end of Mahuad's term.



Carlos Mendoza and General Carlos Solorzano, two of the coup leaders in Ecuador, stand together after successfully removing the current Ecuadorian president.

ister Gen. Carlos Mendoza, backed by the people and the military, asked for his resignation. The 50-year-old Mahuad then abandoned the presidential palace.

Mendoza and two others, Indian leader Antonio Vargas and ex-judge Carlos Solorzano, formed a junta which declared itself in control of the government. They declared to a cheering crowd on the plaza in front of the presidential palace, "We have sworn before God and country that the changes you seek and that we want will come."

This junta, however, was short-lived. Neighboring countries and the United States objected violently to the apparent overthrow of the constitutional government, and U.S. officials threatened Ecuador with the cessation of aid from Washington and a boycott by international investors if power was not returned to the central government.

At this point, it seems that the most popular of the three leaders, Mendoza, resigned from his place and the junta, lacking military backing, fell apart. Simultaneously, an emergency ses-

## Indonesians fight for freedom

JAKARTA, INDONESIA - Violence in eastern and western Indonesia claimed at least 16 lives on Sunday, January 23, as bloodshed continued to plague this southeast Asian nation.

In the Aceh province, 1,100 miles northwest of Jakarta, eight people were killed and many were injured in clashes Saturday between separatist rebels and security forces.

Aceh is one of several Indonesian regions where separatists are fighting for independence.

Acehnese guerrillas have been in a struggle against Indonesian rule since the mid-1970s. The struggle has claimed at least 5,000 people over the past decade.

Indonesian President Abdurrahman Wahid is scheduled to visit Aceh on Tuesday to hold peace talks with the separatists. Last week, at least 38 people died as government forces cracked down on the rebels.

Meanwhile, on Halmahera island in eastern Indonesia, clashes between Muslims and Christians on Friday and Saturday left at least eight people dead and 18 injured.

The fighting, triggered by a minor traffic accident involving a Christian and a Muslim in the Maluku provincial capital Ambon, has since spread to other regions.

Many Christians and most foreign tourists were evacuated to neighboring Bali as a quick intervention by troops and paramilitary peace restored calm on the island.

## Time Warner may merge with EMI

NEW YORK, NY - Time Warner, just after announcing a merger with America Online, is in talks with Britain's EMI Records to create the world's largest record label.

Officials from both companies confirmed the talks after published reports said Time Warner and EMI agreed to combine their music operations into a \$20 billion joint venture that would bring top Time Warner recording stars — Cher, Eric Clapton, Phil Collins, Madonna, Metallica and REM, and EMI's lineup of the Beatles, Rolling Stones, Spice Girls, Garth Brooks and the Smashing Pumpkins, under one roof.

"The transaction contemplated represents an opportunity to establish the world's premier music group and to create very considerable value for shareholders of both companies," the statement from EMI said.

The new company, to be called Warner EMI Music, would have Time Warner's Atlantic, Elektra and Warner Brothers records labels and EMI's Virgin, Priority and Capitol record labels. The two companies accounted for \$8.3 billion in annual sales, making their merged company second only to Seagram's Universal Music.

## Spaniards march against violence

MADRID, SPAIN - More than one million people marched in central Madrid on Sunday, January 23, to express outrage at what is feared to be a return to violence by Basque separatists, reacting to two car bombings two days ago.

Interior Ministry official Pedro Nunez Morgades said the crowd was estimated at 1.1 million, almost a third of Madrid's 3.5 million population.

The car bomb attack killed an army officer, Lt. Col. Pedro Antonio Blanco Garcia, 48, who died in an explosion in the Madrid neighborhood where he lives. No one has claimed responsibility for the attack, but the government says it has no doubt the Basque guerrilla group ETA, which stands for Basque Homeland and Freedom, carried out the bombing.

It was the first attack blamed on the ETA since the group called off a 14-month cease-fire in early December. The ETA ended the truce because it believed political parties were making no progress toward its goal of independence for the Basque region.

This was the largest anti-ETA demonstration in Madrid since the summer of 1997, when nation-wide protests helped pressure the group into the cease-fire.

The ETA is blamed for about 800 killings in its three decade crusade for independence.

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# 305,000 in Georgia lose power due to winter storms

by Jeremy Smith  
World News Editor

ATLANTA, GA - An icy winter storm bombarded the Southeast and caused more than a quarter of a million Georgians to be without electricity on Sunday, January 23. At least three people were killed in storm-related incidents.

In Atlanta and northern Georgia, trees were heavily coated with ice, and residents woke to the sounds of cracking tree limbs and the smell of broken pines. An estimated 305,000 Georgians lost electricity, according to Georgia Power Co. spokesman James Peters, about 270,000 of them in the Atlanta metropolitan area.

The falling limbs pulled down power and phone lines, forcing nearly 1,000 Georgia

Power employees to begin work early on Sunday to repair the damage done.

Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport remained open, but many flights were canceled or combined with others as crews struggled to de-ice the planes.

The weather forecast predicts more sleet and freezing rain in northern Alabama, northern Georgia and eastern Tennessee and in the western regions of North and South Carolina. Virginia received more snow during the end of this weekend.

With icy conditions on the ground, a U.S. Airways jet skid-

ded off the runway at Charlotte-Douglas International Airport in

*"Don't even think about coming ... here. It's a total mess. We've got wrecks everywhere."*

~Patt Goff

Charlotte, North Carolina, on Saturday night. U.S. Airways spokeswoman Sharon Taylor said no one aboard the MD-80 was injured.

Two motorists died in separate accidents in Tennessee, and one man died of hypothermia in Durham, North Carolina, after falling asleep behind a convenience store Friday night.

Around the region, snowfall of more than five inches had highway department workers scrambling. The police were urging motorists to avoid using the highways. In northern Georgia, collisions were common along Interstate-75 and other major highways.

"Don't even think about coming ... here," said Pat Goff of the Tennessee Highway Patrol station in Chattanooga. "It's a total mess. We've got wrecks everywhere."

Several locations in the Carolinas and Tennessee received more than five inches of snowfall, and sleet fell in northern Alabama and Georgia.

Roads in eastern Tennessee were littered with jack-knifed tractor-trailers and car crashes. In Bartow County, Georgia, about 40 miles north of Atlanta, sheriff department officials advised "extreme caution" in traveling through the area.

At least 16 accidents on I-75 in the county were blamed on the winter storm, which was Georgia's first frozen precipitation this season. However, no serious injuries were reported.

The storm followed a week of freezing weather in the Northeast, where temperatures were expected to remain well below freezing, even in the negatives. Early this week, much of the Southeast was expected to experience warming weather, probably into the 40s.

## U.S.-China arms deals under fire

by Ryan K. Dooley  
World News Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, D.C. - A top Chinese army general will begin a three-day visit to Washington Monday, January 24, resuming the military contacts between the two countries which were suspended after U.S. jets bombed the Chinese Embassy in Belgrade in May.

Lt. Gen. Xiong Guangkai, deputy chief of the People's Liberation Army General Staff, will meet Defense Secretary William Cohen and other Pentagon officials in talks on further high-level exchanges in the coming year.

In addition to very touchy issues such as U.S. military sales to Taiwan and arms transfers by Beijing to other countries, the two sides are expected to discuss a possible warming visit to China by Cohen this year.

Cohen last visited China in January of 1998, but military ties between the two countries have grown increasingly chilly over a number of issues. U.S. officials are expressing optimism about the talks, chiefly between Xiong and U.S. Undersecretary of Defense for Policy Walter Solcombe.

The renewed military ties were suspended by Beijing after what NATO insisted was the accidental May 7 bombing of the Chinese embassy in Belgrade during its air war with Serbia.

"This is part of an effort, obviously, to rebuild our relationship after the mistaken attack,"

Defense Department spokesman Ken Bacon told reporters. "It is an effort to rebuild contacts and discussions between the U.S. and the Chinese militaries."

"Discussions will cover a wide range of areas. We will compare our strategic assessments of the 21st century," Bacon said. "We will talk about the geopolitical conditions in the Asia-Pacific, about military modernization programs in the two countries, what sort of military relationship we should have during the year 2000."

Despite U.S. recognition of Beijing as the sole legitimate government of China, the island of Taiwan has been a constant irritant to China-U.S. ties for years.

U.S. officials Friday declined to confirm or deny a *Washington Times* report that Taiwan had asked to buy four sophisticated U.S. Aegis destroyers. Such ships are equipped with the latest

high-tech equipment for defense against large numbers of attack aircraft and cruise missiles.

The ships can also be equipped with weapons for use against attacking strategic missiles, although the *Times* said such a sale was unlikely to include that large of a defense capability.

While the officials refused to confirm that Taiwan had even asked for the ships in December as part of its annual request for U.S. military equipment, they flatly denied that the Pentagon had recommended such a ship sale.

It was said earlier this month that Beijing was seriously concerned over reports that President Clinton planned large arms sales to Taiwan this year ahead of the November U.S. presidential elections.

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# Cuban boy's relatives continue battle for custody

José Melendez

World News Staff Writer

MIAMI, FL - This past Thanksgiving, a Cuban child named Elián González floated into American national headlines. Since then, he has been the center of a political debate over American citizenship or repatriation as well as touchy U.S.-Cuba relations that seem to be nowhere near their end.

The boy was found by two fishermen off the coast of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. The two men were out fishing for dolphins when they first encountered the raft. At first glance, they both believed it was a doll strapped onto a large inner-tube. A second look revealed Elián.

On November 21, Elizabeth Rodríguez, 29, and her son Elián González, set off early in the morning, along with fourteen other passengers, on a quest for American liberty. The American shore was approximately 150 miles away and a good trip on the 17-foot aluminum boat would have put them at their destination before the next sunrise. Unfortunately, for all but three of the passengers including Elián, the trip would cost them their lives. The small 50-h.p. motor gave up just as a storm was beating the small craft. The boat took on water and sank.

Most of the passengers were able to latch on to the two innertubes which served as the boat's life preservers, but eventually, most of them gave way to the sea. Rumors circle about passen-

gers who gave up their fight with the sea after seeing loved ones drown. Elizabeth Rodríguez supposedly strapped her son to the innertube while she was struggling to survive, herself.

Many supporting the child's permanent residency in the U.S. have pointed to this story as a mother's fatal struggle to give her child a better life. Elián's grandmother argues that it was Elizabeth's violent boyfriend (and leader of the expedition) who forced her to set out on the journey. She believes Elián rightfully belongs back in Cuba with his immediate family and friends.

Since the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service ruled that Elián should be given back to his father, Juan Miguel González in Cuba, two weeks ago, complications have emerged. That same week, Indiana Representative Dan Burton issued a congressional subpoena which halted Elián's repatriation at least until the boy's relatives in Miami could appeal the ruling. The latest activity includes lawmakers in Congress attempting to make Elián a U.S. citizen, an act which would set him out of INS' juris-

diction.

Much of the support to keep Elián in the states has come from extremely ardent Cuban American protesters in Miami. Their belief, at the least, is that it is what Elián's mother wanted for him. They have also mentioned the

doms."

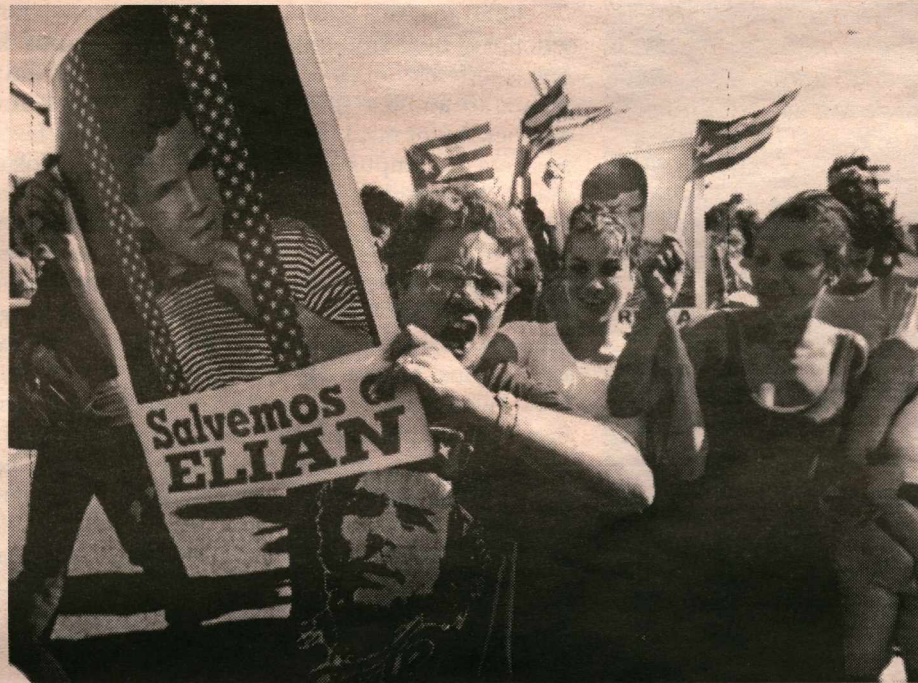
Another statement, this one by a U.S. official, read, "When the kid is 21, I wonder what he'll think. You know, I'm condemned to a life sitting on the seawall here in Havana with no job and under this repressive dictatorship, and I

parent and child and that family reunification has long been a cornerstone of U.S. immigration law."

The boy's grandmothers, who were recently brought to the U.S. to advocate for the boy's return to Cuba, stated, "For us, the significance of returning Elián to his family will honor his mother's memory, return the family to normality, and more importantly return Elián to the normality of life with his father, brother, family and friends at his school, his toys, dog and parrot."

When asked by his Miami family, who swore never to exploit Elián while they took him to local cameras in order to publicly ask him whether he would like to stay in the U.S., the trembling boy answered yes while nervously staring at the floor. According to *Time* magazine, "It was clear that the only thing this boy wanted was to be held."

The most recent addition to the debacle has been the introduction of the boy's grandmothers to the United States from Cuba. The grandmothers were brought to argue for the boy's return to Cuba. Needless to say, they have had very little success. So far, a New York meeting with Janet Reno yielded a rather indifferent result to them, while their scheduled visit with Elián in Miami was botched by technicalities over the location of the meeting. Tuesday, the grandmothers will meet with congressmen in Washington D.C. to further argue the destiny of young Elián González.



A group of Cuban women protest for the return of 6-year-old Elián González, who is with relatives in the United States after the boat he was taking to Florida sank, killing his mother. His father still lives in Cuba and the Immigration and Naturalization Service has said he should be returned by relatives in Florida are fighting to keep him. The sign translates to "Let's Save Elián."

many advantages of living in the United States rather than Cuba. One of Elián's cousins, Marisleysis González, 21, of Miami, stated, "All we hear about is the father, the father, and no one is talking about what Elián's mother wanted for him. Here he'll have opportunities, a career, free-

could be at the University of Miami right now."

While over 90% of Cuban Americans in Miami believe that the boy should remain in the U.S., 56% of Americans agree with the INS' decision. Janet Reno maintained that "the law recognizes the unique relationship between

# The U.N. to raise the legal age to join the army

by Ryan K. Dooley

World News Staff Writer

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND - The U.N. has drafted an agreement that would prohibit the use of children as soldiers and raise the minimum fighting age to 18 years old. There will also be a set limit as to how long you can be in voluntary services to 16 years.

Officials and campaigners welcomed the agreement, which was reached Friday. More than 300,000 youths below age 18 are now involved in fighting, according to U.N. figures.

The proposal will be sent to the U.N. General Assembly, where diplomats and campaigners expect it to be approved. It will then be sent to governments to sign. Campaigners called for its "swift and broad ratification."

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi

Annan said that the agreement represented a "significant step" and would become "a highly effective instrument" for protecting children wherever there are armed conflicts.

On Friday, West African peacekeepers said former fighters in Sierra Leone's 8-year civil war released more than 400 child soldiers ages 7 to 18 this week.

U.N. agencies and human rights campaigners wanted to raise the age limit on all military recruits from 15 to 18, as specified in the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child. The United States, among several other countries opposing the higher limit, allows voluntary enlistment at 17. Britain allows voluntary enlist-

ment at 16.

"In many respects, this protocol is much weaker than what we would have liked," said Jo Becker of Human Rights Watch.

*"The forcible recruitment of very young children, . . . shocks the conscience . . ."*

~Bill Clinton

"However, it is a very significant advance over existing standards in that it sets a clear minimum age of 18 for participation in armed conflict."

The accord is an optional protocol to the U.N. Convention, meaning that the treaty's 191 signatory nations have the choice of whether to abide by it. Although the United States has not yet rati-

fied the original treaty, it will be allowed to join the protocol.

"Many concessions were made to accommodate the United States," said Becker. "The U.S. should now move quickly to ratify and implement the agreement."

In hearing about this, President Clinton said he was pleased with the result and called the agreement "an important advance for human rights."

In a statement, he said, "The forcible recruitment of very young children, some no more than 9 or 10 years old, into an increasing number of civil wars and other conflicts shocks the conscience and shames humanity."

Olara Otunnu, the U.N. special envoy for children in armed conflict, said in New York, "Today's development has set us free to concentrate on what really

matters, which is the curbing of child soldiering on the ground."

The agreement bans all forced recruitment of those under 18, by both armies and rebel forces. It also places a limit of 18 for voluntary recruitment by rebels.

Governments are also called on to raise the minimum age for voluntary recruitment in their armed forces. No specific minimum age was set, although the agreement effectively raises the limit to 16.

Nations must declare the minimum age for enlistment and provide safeguards to ensure that it is voluntary. Countries are committed to providing "special protection" to those younger than 18.

"We believe that this is an effective, sensible and practical standard that will promote the object we all seek," Southwick said.

# Red and yellow, black and white, ALL are but are all accepted at NNU?

by Brooke Humphrey

Crusader News Cover Editor

Looking around the NNU campus, one might not think that there is much diversity. True, the overwhelming majority here on the NNU campus are Christian Caucasians. However, that does not mean that the minority is overlooked. The office of Multi-Cultural Affairs helps ensure that doesn't happen.

Paula Rogers is the director of the Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs at NNU. The Multi-Cultural Affairs Office's primary goals are "To advocate for multi-cultural students by providing them with a support system which will assist them in the academic, spiritual and social aspects of their lives, to create openness and an increased awareness of multi-cultural issues within the campus community and to be a resource for and to work with local communities concerning multi-cultural issues."

"Basically," Rogers says, "the goals of the Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs are to make minority students feel accepted and to give the majority a better understanding of the minority."

So how are minority students (whether in the racial, cultural or religious minority) treated here at NNU? Rogers says that overall stu-

dents are accepting, but prejudice is still prevalent. Misunderstandings also exist. Rogers says, "some students don't understand why we have the Martin Luther King Jr. chapel or the Cinco de Mayo chapel. They don't realize that we celebrate the Caucasian culture in one way or another every day."

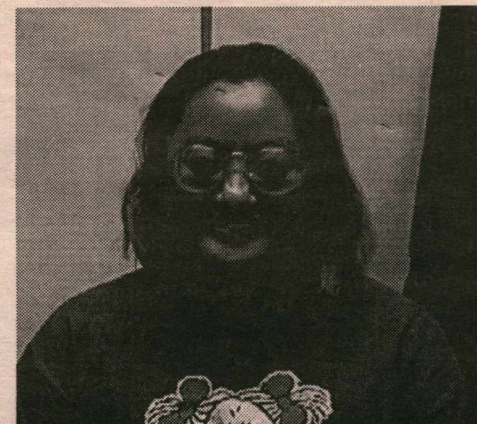
In order to promote understanding between students, Rogers has freshmen students undergo an activity in Introduction to College where they get to experience what it feels like to be in the minority. In this game, each student wears a label. The student does not get to see their label but they can see the labels of others. All of the students are then asked to pick three people, based on their labels, that they would want to live on their wing. This game shows students what it feels like to be labeled because of a choice of religion or race or lifestyle.

However, it is still hard to truly know what it feels like to be a part of the minority on campus, so the Crusader asked some students who are considered to be in the minority on campus how it feels. Their stories reflect their own feelings and are in no way meant to represent the feelings of others.

## Sabrena Myers

I find that this school is pretty broad concerning the amount of diversity that it holds here on campus. Everyone is different in his or her own way, and not too many people are afraid to show how they are different from one another. As for me, I find that being one of the few Koreans here on campus is nice. And while I may look different on the outside, the way I am treated by everyone else here on campus is really no different than how anyone else is treated. When I was younger, I had a lot more problems with how I was treated by the "majority" race than I have now. When I was in the 3rd grade, one of the girls at school who didn't like me got almost the entire school to rally against me one day during recess. Back then, I ran. Now I would definitely stand up for myself and fight back because I am proud of who I am and the way God made me. All of us are different in our own way. Yet I feel that

at this school, in my situation, I am treated no differently than the next person. And while there are not as many minority students here as I would like to see, I have a feeling that Northwest Nazarene University is growing and is on its way to becoming more of a diverse school.



## Jenni McPherson

I am a junior this year and have been able to see some about the diversity and equality at NNU. I came from a very diverse city during my high school career. The white people were equally numbered with black and hispanic people, quite a contrast to NNU. I am excited that NNU has tried to promote more diversity this year. My main complaint comes with the attention given to the minorities in settings such as chapel. I feel that in the attempts to make NNU more "multi-cultural" they have forgotten about all nationalities. For example, we have a chapel service for Martin Luther King, Jr. and one for Cinco de Mayo. However, it seems as if someone has forgotten other nationalities. As I look at my calendar I see President's Day (where would this country be, for all nationalities, if it weren't for our founding fathers?), Columbus Day (are we not all grateful to Columbus and his discovery of this nation?). Granted, this may sound a bit prejudiced, which is not intended at all. How about recognition for Native Americans, Africans, Europeans and many more who are part of this campus and even part of this nation. NNU is doing a great thing by trying to even us all to diversity. I enjoy being able to attend a school that is not prejudiced and I hope that we have done everything possible to make everyone welcome here. We are all God's children. But to recognize one or two is not promoting the equality that NNU stands for.

## Dem Hechanova

I think diversity is one of the best things that could happen to this campus. It is important because many people don't know about other cultures. Some people are not exposed to cultures other than their own and don't know how to react when they happen to come across someone who they usually don't see. It helps us understand each other's views and backgrounds and it increases our knowledge.

Here is the best way for me to explain it...Wouldn't it be boring doing the same thing every day and eating the same thing everyday? The food might taste a little better if it were different every now and then, wouldn't you think?

## Your Turn

Random answers from random people on random issues:

### What is your definition of diversity?



Kristina Scharfenberg Soph. Fairbanks, AK Music Ed

"Everyone's own uniqueness."



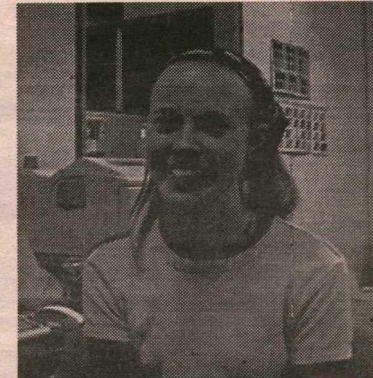
Shad Cole Junior Bend, OR Something or other

"Something like all the different marshmallows in my bowl of Lucky Charms."



Danae Schenk Sophomore Kent, WA Special Ministies

"God created us in His image to all be different."



Kadee Wirick Junior Tillamook, OR Missions

"Difference. Beautiful, beautiful difference."



# precious in His sight

## James Thomas

Diversity is a major issue here at NNU. We have a very small number of different ethnic groups. When I was recruited here for basketball, I was informed of how few African Americans were here on the campus. I was even more surprised when I arrived here on my visit and saw it for my own eyes.

I was given the opportunity to transfer from an all-black school in Louisiana to an all-white school in Idaho. I have to give NNU and the basketball coaches and players a lot of credit. They made me feel welcome and surprisingly comfortable.

My first term here was really nice. I met a lot of new people, experienced many different personalities and met the challenges in diversity many friends back home thought I would never be able to handle.

The most important thing that I have learned here is that the university may not be diverse in color, but the diversity among students here is present everyday. You see it in the style of dress, choice of music and personal choices.

## Carey Laird

When I first arrived in America, I remember that the predominant way for people to relate to me was through the films *Braveheart* and *Trainspotting*. Once we agreed that they were great movies, a door of communication was opened that made me both proud to represent my country and share my culture with people of different nationalities.

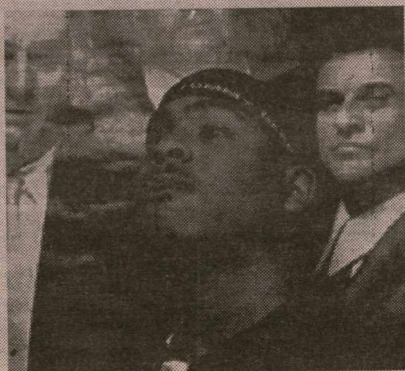
Overall, there does seem to be a lack of awareness and empathy on our campus for global issues. This is very surprising, considering that we are fundamentally a religious institution. Maybe it is because we are born into more traditional cultures, but it seems like international students tend to be more concerned with the political, social and economic issues surrounding their own countries as well as the world at large, in comparison to their fellow American students.

In conclusion, I think that travel is the best solution to the problem of global ignorance. It is just as important for Scottish students to expand their travelling experiences as it is for American students. It is only when we can laugh with each other that we can truly create the foundations for a better school, society, and eventually a better world in general.

### What do you think of diversity at NNU?

*"They're gonna have to meet the quota someday. We as Christians need to reach out to all."*

~Ranti Malone



## Lika Alaverdashvili

There is a lot to be said about the student diversity on campus. However, I (as one of the minorities) would like to express my opinion about the attitudes of majority students towards other cultures.

Although this is a Christian institution where the teachings of love and acceptance should be the priority, one still sees the immature outbursts of religious intolerance, as demonstrated in chapel on Friday.

## Non-Christians on campus, a member of the religious minority relates his experience

by Will Brown

Crusader Copy Editor

The religious minority here on campus is less apparent than others because it is not disclosed by obvious physiological differences or a noticeably unique accent. Nor is it a particularly unified minority—at various times in the past, its constituency has included non-Nazarene Christians (Catholics, Baptists, Methodists, etc.), Hindus, Buddhists and even the unreligious (agnostics, secular humanists, atheists).

Because the religious minority is often less apparent than other minorities and often differs very little from the majority on matters of theology, the difference is often of little psychological impact. Blending in is not difficult for many, and for many, "minority" is too strong a term to use.

As an agnostic of Christian background, blending was once easy for me. I am very familiar with the language, the dogma and the assumptions which a majority of the campus buys into. When I let my religion go two years ago, blending seemed so much easier than the alternative, and I made no one aware of my decision until half of a year later, and even then, only to a select group of my closest and most trusted friends. I remained apprehensive as to how I as an agnostic would be taken on a Christian campus, so I walked a fine line, blending in order to remain inconspicuous while avoiding partaking of Christian activities as a matter of conscience and au-

thenticity.

But as time has gone by, my lack of faith has done much to influence who I am and how I think. My belief system has become more coherent and more structured than it was when I first started down this path. While agnosticism is open-ended by definition, I don't see myself changing for some time.

As I have proceeded through this subtle transition, the gulf has widened between Christianity and me. I am reminded of this every time I return to school after one of the breaks because, during these times, I distance myself from the predominantly Christian environment of our campus and immerse myself into my divergent thought life. The widening gulf has also made it difficult for me to blend as easily as I once could. The more I converse about the important things, the harder it is for me to keep my religious doubts under wraps, and doing so causes me too much cognitive dissonance to continue on in that fashion. As time goes by, I find myself less protective of my identity as it figures into conversation.

Yet dealing with the gulf is often painful, and to be honest, I

*Obviously there isn't much ethnic diversity here at NNU, but I feel that people respect those of different ethnicity and their culture*

~ Rex Gaoaen



*Often, I cannot participate in the community simply because I have no place in crucial community engagements*

know that I do not completely fit into the community. Conversation—especially regarding religious, philosophical and ethical matters—is particularly painful because I know that I approach such matters with vastly different presuppositions than the stock Christian presuppositions with which most members of our community approach them. Often, I cannot participate in the community

simply because I have no place in crucial community engagements (chapel, prayer, communion, Time Out, etc.).

Yet to say that I don't belong would be wrong. Over the past three years, I have developed strong ties to the campus—to my friends, to my professors and to my education—and it is for this reason that I chose to stay, in spite of the widening gulf.

Nor has honest self-disclosure proved to be as negative as I feared at the outset. In fact, the tolerance with which the campus has embraced me in recent months, so far as I have noticed, has impressed me quite a bit, and I cannot thank you all enough for the psychological peace which this has brought and still brings me.

# Men's basketball drops two this weekend

## Crusaders lose to Eastern Oregon & ACI; are now 10-13

by Craig Craker

Crusader News Staff Writer

The NNU men's basketball team came into the weekend looking for two big wins. Instead, they received two humbling losses.

On Thursday they were dropped by archrival Albertson, and on Saturday evening they were rocked and rolled on their home floor by Eastern Oregon.

With the two losses, NNU dropped to 10-13 overall and 4-4 in the conference. There is still a chance at the playoffs if they can sweep the last four games. They play this weekend at Southern Oregon and Oregon Tech.

On Wednesday, the night before the game, a few NNU play-

ers spoke publicly that they would dominate Albertson on the boards. Perhaps they spoke too soon, for as the game started, it was obvious that the 'Yotes were fired up for this one.

Albertson quickly jumped out to a 19-11 lead and was dominating the glass. Jeremy Stockett promptly scored six straight points and Nielson added another jumper to tie the game at 21 apiece, before the NNU offense took a long break.

Over the next six minutes NNU shot just 1-10 from the floor and committed three turnovers as the 'Yotes went on a 20-6 run, to take a commanding 41-27 lead. Thanks to Coopriders' three-pointer and two free-throws in the last twenty seconds of the first half, the 'Saders went into half-time trailing only 43-32.

Coming out of the half, Coop was the only one who showed up to play, as he hit a lay-in and three free-throws to cut the deficit to 47-37 with 16:58 remaining. After back-to-back baskets by Kelly Herron and Nielson cut the lead to 57-50, Ben Riley hit a three-

pointer as the shot clock expired, and then the 'Yotes got a jumper to push the lead back to double digits at 62-50.

NNU cut the lead to nine twice, at 62-53 and 64-55, but that was the closest they could come thanks to good free-throw shooting by Alberston down the stretch.

For the game, NNU was out-rebounded 50-36, including 22-14 on the offensive glass where the 'Yotes picked up a 21-second chance points. NNU shot just 37% from the field for the game. Coopriders led all scorers with 23 points and five assists Stockett added 18 points and eight rebounds.

Coming into the game with Eastern Oregon, the 'Saders strategy was to bang it underneath, seeing as how they had a major height advantage and Stockett and Nielson were shooting a combined 67% from the floor during Conference play.

That plan backfired as the two combined to shoot a dismal four for 20 from the field, scoring just 13 points between them. Early on, NNU hung around despite shooting 26% in the first half. With 11:30 to go in the first half the game was all notched up at 12, but then Eastern went on a 24-8 run to end the half and take a commanding 36-20 lead into the locker room.

In the second half, NNU could not muster a run as nobody could hit any shots. With 14:57 remaining, NNU cut it to 44-29 following a 3-ball by James Thomas and a jumper by Nielson.

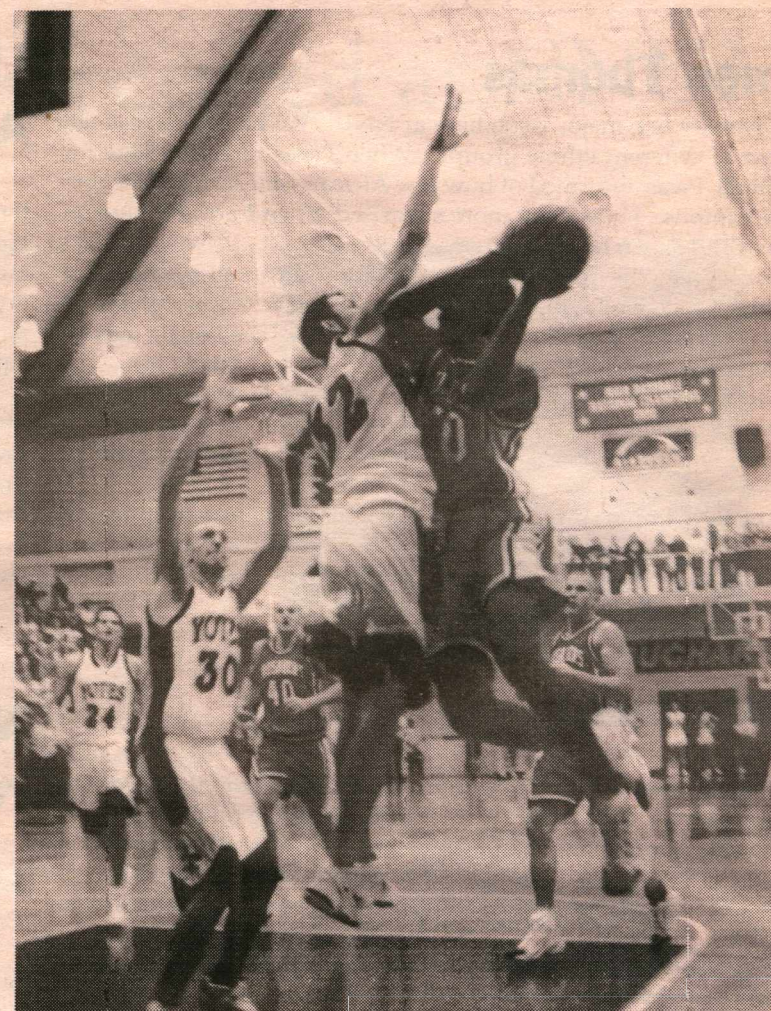
But then Eastern went on an 18-9 surge to take a 62-38 lead with 8:06 to go. NNU closed the game on a 16-8 run, led by freshman Chrishawn Lawrence.

The team seemed to have new life when Lawrence came in and ran the offense, letting Coop do what he does best- shoot.

Late in the second-half, Lawrence hooked up with Thomas for a nifty alley-oop lay-in, but it was too little too late, as Eastern Oregon rolled to the 77-58 win. After the game, Kelly Herron said, "We lost our confidence. They took it all away. Nobody on the team showed any confidence."

Ryan Marquez added to that, "We just can't put everything together."

Thomas led the 'Saders with 16 points and eight rebounds. Coopriders added nine points, and Lawrence had seven. Coach Sanders said, "They hit big shots, we shot terrible in the first half.



Sophomore James Thomas Jr. soars over the 'Yote defense. The 'Yotes eventually clipped the 'Saders' wings, winning 76-64.

The field goal percentage was the difference, plain and simple." February 11 and 12, against Cascade and Western Baptist.

The next home games are

## Time Out with Charlie Ecker

Many people recognize Charlie by his sense of humor and randomness. A former Mr. NNC candidate, Charlie has fallen on hard times and in an effort to raise publicity, is going on a speaking tour of our campus, beginning with Time Out. Show up to the Science Lecture Hall at 9:00 to hear the first in Mr. Ecker's extraordinary series and let God speak to you.



Photos by handle Bar

Senior Jeremy Stockett looks for another two points in the game with Albertson. Stockett had 18 points and eight rebounds against the 'Yotes.

# Lady Crusaders ranked number two in nation

## 'Saders defeat Cascade and Western Baptist

by Mary Glaze  
Crusader News Staff Writer

I don't know if you've heard or not, but the women's basketball team that represents your fine University is, well, doing a fine job. Going into last weekend, they had maintained an overall record of 18-4 and managed to stay undefeated in the Conference.

However, when you're on the top, everyone is looking to knock you off. Head coach Roger Schmidt said that the Lady 'Saders were "marked by a big bullseye that every team in the conference would be aiming to hit". The question was, would they make it through the weekend untouched?

The first bullet the Lady Saders' would have to dodge

would come from Concordia College. The tipoff was at 7:30 and your Crusaders came ready to play. At the end of the first half, the score was 25-40 in favor of the Lady 'Saders. All was going smoothly, perhaps too smoothly. Concordia College came out ready to play. They rallied the score back to 50-51.

With their lead cut to only one point, the Lady 'Saders decided that enough was enough. After a strategically called timeout, things started to look more like they did in the first half. When the final buzzer sounded, the score board read 75-65. After being outscored by nine points, the Lady 'Saders still came out victorious.

Their record is now 6-0 in conference play. The NNU women's basketball team had one more obstacle to overcome in order to finish the weekend with their perfect conference play intact. That obstacle was Western Baptist College, and they came ready to play.

After scoring the first two points in the game, Western Baptist continued to hold the lead throughout the first half. The

halftime score was 35-29 in favor of Western Baptist. In light of the score board's blatant display, the crowd of people who had now assembled (either arriving late for the women's game or early for the men's, who's to say?), began to wonder if the Lady 'Saders would actually lose a game.

In the second half, the Lady 'Saders answered that question with an emphatic "NO". Outscoring Western Baptist by twenty points in the second half, the final score read 60-74 in favor of the Lady 'Saders.

When all was said and done, your NNU women's basketball team finished the weekend maintaining their status as number one in the Conference and managed to make the process a little exciting for the fans as well.

As of last week, they were ranked number two in the nation and every game won puts them

a step closer to the National Championship where they could prove that they deserve that ranking, or maybe more.

Be sure to attend the next home game to support your team as they work their way to the National Championship. Your support is always appreciated.



Dodging the incoming Concordia defender, freshman Alysson Kollmann coolly helps the 'Saders to their win.



Senior Alison Kirk puts the ball through for two during Friday's game against Concordia. The 'Saders won 75-65.

### Team names & numbers

#### A League

- 1 V.H. II
- 2 Hoosier Daddy 2000
- 3 Yellow Snowmakers
- 4 TBA
- 5 Team Pentecost
- 6 Great White Hype
- 7 The Third Stringers
- 8 Team Marion
- 9 Team Skeen
- 10 The Chicago Bears

#### no B League!

#### C League

- 1 Team Krause
- 2 Partners in Crime
- 3 Thug Passion
- 4 M.O.S.H. 2
- 5 All Millenium Team
- 6 The Juice
- 7 Magic Apes
- 8 The Bangers
- 9 Team Paulson

#### Women's League

- 1 Blue Flamers
- 2 Volleyball Girls
- 3 Team Betts
- 8 Team Leatherbury
- 9 Carly's Angels
- 11 Blazers
- 12 Dooley Hall

### 1-25 Tuesday

	south	north
8:00	W1-W11	C3-C7
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10:00	A5-A7	A6-A9

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7:00	W9-W11	W1-W12
8:00	W2-W8	C5-C9
9:00	A6-A10	A1-A9
10:00	A3-A8	C2-C6

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	south	north
8:30	W1-W11	W9-W12
9:30	C1-C6	A2-A9

### 2-1 Tuesday

	south	north
8:00	W8-W11	C1-C9
9:00	A1-A4	A2-A5
10:00	A3-A6	A7-A8

# Chapel misses point of worship, spiritual feeding

By J. Vito Montebianco  
Crusader Staff Opinions Writer

Chapel? I have a question for anyone who knows; what is chapel supposed to be? I started attending NNU(then NNC) in the fall of 1997. At that time chapel was being held in the sanctuary at College Church. It was a time of worship. A message by Gene or someone for Spiritual Emphasis Week, a presentation by a member of the faculty. Man, it was a time of worship and a time when we were fed. This has changed. I no longer go to chapel because I think it is good for me, I go because if I do not, I will be charged money for it -- because it is required.

Why this change? In December of 1997, chapel was moved to the Brandt Center. Now I do understand the occasional need for larger facilities to accommodate the growing number of participants, but I never did think we were that crowded in College Church. From that point on, chapel has seemed to go down hill. The first year was not too bad, but it has not gotten any better.

Instead of being in a place of worship, maintaining a level of sanctity, people wear what they like, do what they like and act like they are at a high school assembly -- which may be what chapel has become. We do sing some of the same songs we used to, but even that has changed. Instead of singing anything that gives us more than emotional stimulation

(some depth would be nice) we sing songs that state questionable things ("I want to touch you" -- excuse me, but since when have we been able to touch God?).

Those in higher position might be able to correct a few assumptions I have about chapel. Number one, it is required. Num-

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ber two, it supposed to benefit to us and number three (this is the one I may be wrong about) it is supposed to be spiritual. If I am wrong as to what chapel is supposed to be, then most of this article is a waste of your time. If chapel is supposed to be a worship time, I think something has gone desperately wrong.

So far this term, it seems like I have heard one real sermon, a part of worship which I think is very important. I have heard a multitude of presentations, concerts, and "educational lectures." But what happened to a good, biblically based sermon, one that gives us new or refreshed insights for our Christian life? As I said before, there have been some good ones.

Even then -- uh -- POWER POINT? Excuse me?! What is the

point of the speaker if I can just get all the info from the screen, and hey, why not put the power point presentation on the web? That way I do not even have to go to chapel to get that "lecture." No offense intended for those recent users of this type of presentation. The messages you gave were great, but if chapel is a place of worship, I question the use of Power Point and other multi-media products. I thought worship was supposed to be a time where we communicated with God and spent time with Him.

I have just returned from a term studying in Russia and I had the opportunity to experience a multitude of different types of worship services. I attended the Russian Orthodox church, a very liturgical service and a few Protestant churches and participated in a weekly devotional service with the other American students I was with. I realized the lack of spiritual food I was getting here on campus. I also realized that the term "worship" has become synonymous with "if it feels good then use it."

One thing I took home from attending the Russian Orthodox church is their feeling about worship. To them, worship is one of the higher callings of life, if not the highest. Worship is done in a sanctuary filled with symbols of our Christian heritage. The service is run with the purpose of

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having the members participate by standing and praying and chanting the creeds of our Christian beliefs. Their services had depth to them. Another purpose was to come into the very presence of God. As one historical figure has said of the Orthodox church, "You could not tell if you were on earth or in heaven."

I would almost have to agree with that comment. There were times when I really felt like I was in heaven. Now, I am not asking for chapel to become a modern-day Orthodox service. That would be crazy! Instead I am asking, if chapel is supposed to be a worship service, that we make sure it is. Let us make sure that the sanctity of worhsip is kept.

I have enjoyed some of the presentations (Martin Luther King Jr. Chapel). Yet, as I have said before, if it is a time of worship, those types of presentation have no part being there.

I hope this has not come across too strongly, and I do pray that it has not caused any one person undue harm. But this has been a concern of mine for a while now and I really felt the issue needed to be brought up. In fact, the issue of worship should be discussed pertaining to Sunday morning services too, but that is something for another time. Again I restate my question. What is chapel supposed to be? And if worship, what has happened?!



"THAT'S AN AWFULLY BIG GLASS... THERE, THAT'S ENOUGH!... THAT'S PLENTY!... WHOA!... QUIT TRYING TO IMPRESS ME!"

## Not-staff Infection

(Alternative being tried by the Opinions editor pending the vote of the publications board on the presence of Staff Infection in *The Crusader*...hope you enjoy it, kids.)

"Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. Every good thing bestowed and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation, or shifting shadow. In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by the word of truth, so that we might be, as it were, the firstfruits among His creatures."

-James 1:16-18

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord and whose trust is the Lord. For he will be like a tree planted by the water, that extends its roots by a stream and will not fear when the heat comes; but its leaves will be green, and it will not be anxious in a year of drought nor cease to yield fruit."

-Jeremiah 17:7-8

# Inter-faith talks tools for growth

## Out of my Mind



In his column, Gene will be sharing his insights with Crusader readers. His articles will appear bi-weekly.

by Gene Schandorff  
University Chaplain

Timing is everything! And usually, timing is pure accident. Last Friday I prepared to watch three students give a brief "informational" for a Tuesday chapel presentation on their Semester in Israel. As a part of the skit one of the students wore "Palestinian" garb and went through the motions of Islamic Prayers, complete with dusty prayer mat. I was shocked (not really) and disappointed (really) at the number of people who found this funny. Except for the fact that the student was facing toward McCall instead of Mecca it was a fairly accurate visual representation of what hundreds of thousands of people do every day as an expression of their faith in Allah. Now, about the timing . . .

Well in advance of our corporate display of misunderstanding we had planned (perhaps it was fore-ordained) a week in which we "Focus on Religious Traditions" In most cases the religious traditions on which we will focus will not be yours. On Wednesday Mr. Abdul Yoonas and Mr. Furquan Mian, two Islamic gentlemen, will be with us

to tell us why they are Muslim. I truly hope that the response they receive will be more appropriate than it was to the caricature of a Muslim which we saw on Friday. On Friday Rabbi David Fink from the Jewish Synagogue in Boise will be our guest to talk to us about contemporary Judaism.

For those who are experiencing a little "fear and trembling" at the thought of listening to a "real Muslim" and a "real Jew" talk about their faith, let me give you a picture of how things will go in chapel. These will not be "normal chapels." We'll open with a prayer and an introduction

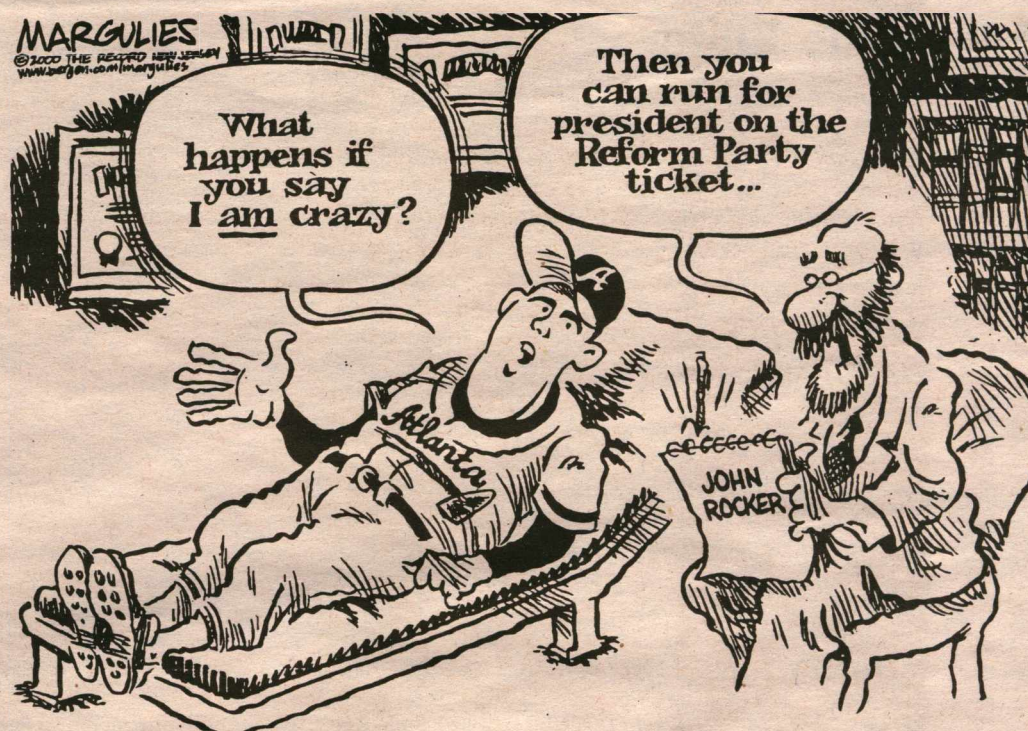
*If we expect to be allowed to represent our faith to others, we must first demonstrate our willingness to listen respectfully as they represent their faith to us.*

of the speaker. Our guests will speak for approximately 25 minutes. When they have concluded their presentation we'll use whatever time is left for questions and answers from you and folks like you. (There will be mics in the aisles.) Since ten to fifteen minutes won't be enough, we'll dismiss chapel at 10:55 and then reconvene at the front of the audi-

torium for an open-ended time of dialogue for those who choose to stay.

I've looked forward to these chapels for five years. That's about how long it's been since the last time we did this. I still remember some of the questions that came as the chapels approached. "Gene, don't you mean we're having ex-Muslims and a 'converted' Jew speak in Chapel? No, I don't. "Why not?" Because there is something fundamentally dishonest about asking a person who has decided that a particular belief system is wrong to represent that belief system to others. And because I believe that if we expect to be allowed to represent our faith to others, we must first demonstrate our willingness to listen respectfully as they represent their faith to us. Or, for those for whom this might be a bit too subtle, If you don't care what I believe, I don't care what you believe.

The guests who are coming



## Letter to the Editor

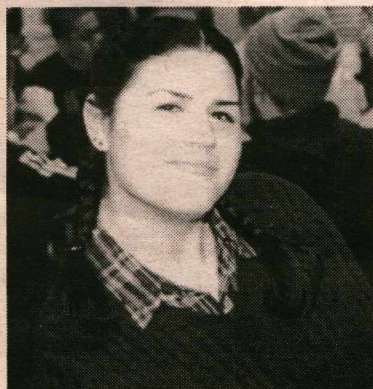
To the Editor,

I am writing this in response to Kadee Wirick's column, "The Arrogance of College Academia". I was very disappointed to find that Kadee's concluding suggestion as editor of the Opinions section for the paper--which represents this scholarly and Christian institution--was a strong plea that we "stop discussing our personal faith experiences in *The Crusader*, for the simple reason that such discussions belong [somewhere else]." I am curious, are you implying that all opinions articles concerning religious claims or religion in general should be excluded from the *Crusader*? Because it is impossible to write an *opinion* on the subject of religion that is not influenced by one's personal faith experiences. Perhaps you are suggesting (continued on page 14)

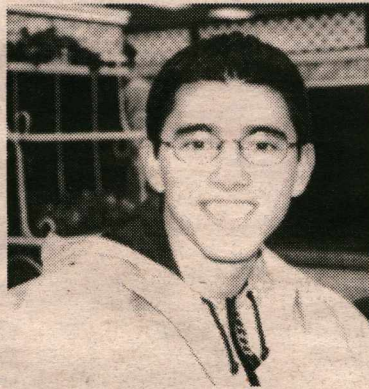
## Your Turn

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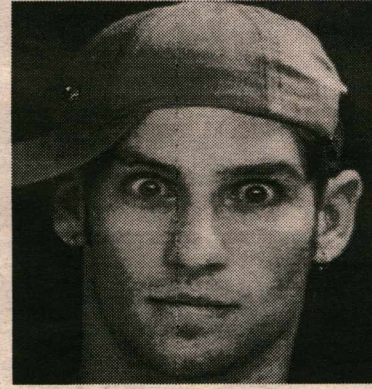
**How will you know when you meet "the one"?**



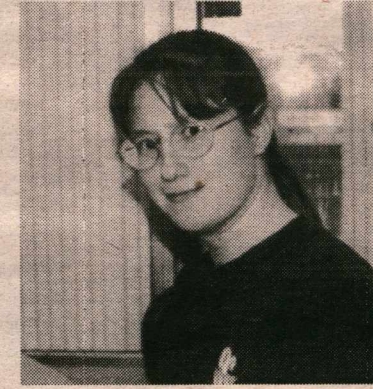
Louise Free Freshman Eagle, ID Special Ministries  
"This summer underneath the Eiffel Tower, I'll know when I see fireworks after 'Pierre' gives me a big kiss."



Johnny Hampton Sophomore Cheyenne, WY Youth Min.  
"I knew when she farted in front of me."



Scott Walker Junior Meridian, ID English Ed.  
"My heart will be pounding, my knees will be shaking, as I see her...dodge the bullets from my gun. The Matrix rules, go Neo!"



Heather Oglevie Senior Burley, ID Theology  
"You're asking the WRONG person."

## Letter to the Editor

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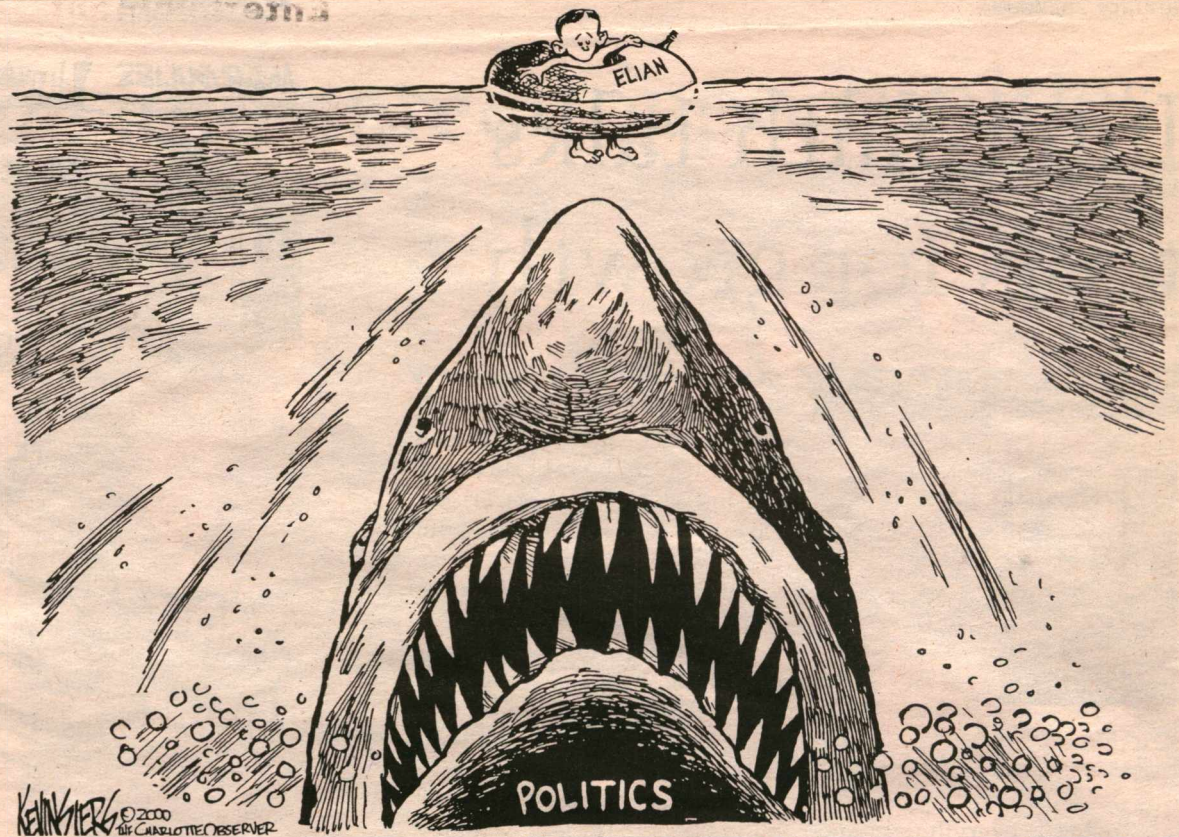
that we should not use *The Crusader* as a vehicle for our personal testimonies, in which case you would primarily be referring to the two people who sent letters to the editor in response to Chad Cray's article and not to Chad Cray.

Chad Cray's article, contrary to some claims, was not primarily a personal testimony. If it was, then anyone who ever makes a claim whether philosophical or religious or political, is giving a testimony -- because he or she is writing what he or she *believes* and is convinced to be true. Perhaps Cray's opinions are influenced by his personal experience. So were your opinions when you

wrote your column in the paper this week. My point? You cannot separate personal faith experiences (or lack thereof) from opinions articles on religion. Even Will Brown's very thoughtful article on the use of religious language was not devoid of personal faith experiences, whether positive or negative.

What we are really seeing happening in the last few issues of *The Crusader* is this: Chad

Cray had the courage to speak from his heart what he has come to discover about the nature of faith, and might I add as a philosophy and theology major, he makes some incredibly *good* points. *The Crusader* gave him the voice with which to speak when it printed his column. And now, *The Crusader* is having to deal



with the backlash from people who are not used to having their conventional faith claims challenged or questioned.

The answer, friends, is not to write articles requesting we try to keep certain things out of the forum of public discussion. The proper answer is to defend the reasons why Chad Cray's column was a good and appropriate part

of a paper devoted not to irrational, unquestioned faith, but to "faith seeking understanding" -- in other words, a thoughtful and examined faith that needs to be challenged by articles such as these. *The Crusader* staff should defend themselves by reminding the NNU community that we are not afraid to be challenged. Nor are we afraid to think for our-

selves. In fact, the NNU community is ready and eager to question and discuss the tenets of faith, theology and religious inquiry on any level and at any time for the purposes of discovering truth and furthering love, power and justice.

Sincerely,

Andrew L. Yoder

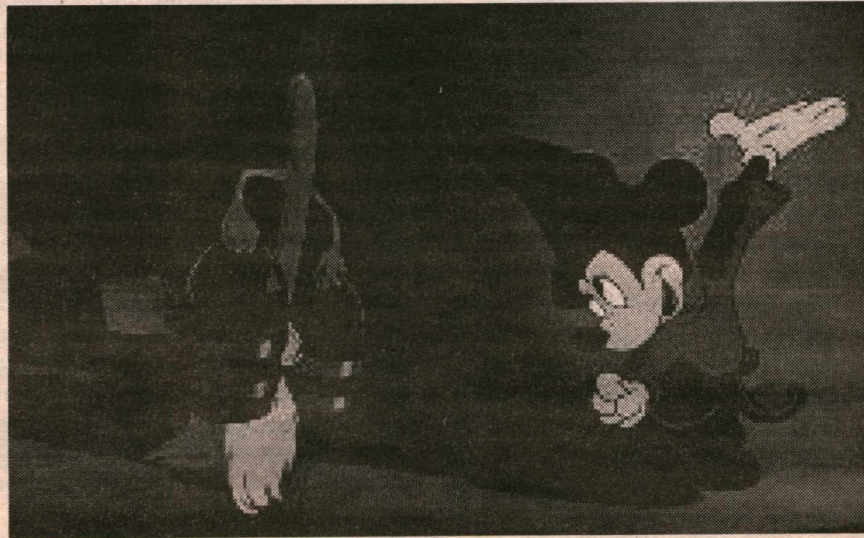
## Disney's Fantasia 2000 not worth the price

With *Fantasia 2000*, Disney has followed the latest marketing trend by resurrecting an old favorite. This *Fantasia* remains true to the original in a synthesis of orchestral music and animation. For the first time, however, Disney has chosen to take advantage of the IMAX screen.

The original *Fantasia* was touted (don't you just love that word) to be the first in a long series of installments. It was a dismal failure at the box offices, however, and the idea was scrapped.

At least they didn't name the original *Fantasia: Part I* or something. That would have been really embarrassing. (Suddenly a long list of movies comes to my mind, such as *History of the World: Part I* or *Pokemon: the First Movie*—neither of which quite lived up to its name.) At least Disney can find some relief from its marketing geniuses who were able to bring back the dinosaur.

In *Fantasia 2000*, Disney has chosen a wide assortment of music, including Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" and Respighi's "Pines of Rome." The IMAX



screen brings the music to life. You'll watch Mickey and Donald, dancing whales, bouncing bunnies and puffy white things. In fact, you'll find yourself in such a surreal atmosphere that you may begin to wonder if you're on a drug trip or something. (I say "something" here because I have never actually been on a drug trip.)

The movie is a bit childish but enjoyable. Beware of the high sticker price, however. A single seat will cost you a steep \$11. At that price, you could afford a feature film at the traditional Edwards and still have enough

left over for, well, a small glass of water. On second thought, if

you're worried about prices, avoid Edward's marketing empire completely.

Even though Disney has managed to resurrect a franchise in *Fantasia 2000*, little more can be said. Although the music sounds fabulous in the IMAX Theater, the steep price is a slap in the face.

Also, as it is certainly directed toward children, some of you may get bored (just relish in the fact that you didn't spend \$11 on the *Pokemon* movie). My conclusion: an enjoyable flick, but hardly worth the price.

**Fantasia  
2000**

**Starring  
Mickey Mouse**

**Reviewed by  
Charlie Ruppert**

*Crusader Rating*



## Crusader Reviews

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- ✓✓✓ OPEN UP A CAN...
- ✓✓✓ SOLID PIECE O' WORK...
- ✓✓ TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT
- ✓ DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME
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# Savor romantic dining at The Plum Tree

## The Plum Tree

604 3rd St. South  
Nampa

Reviewed by  
Monica Olson

Crusader Rating



Need a place to take someone special for a romantic and memorable evening? We've found the place you are looking for right in Nampa.

Our visit to The Plum Tree was enchanting from beginning to end.

With a student's budget, visiting a restaurant that checks your coats, offers elegance and personal service and serves amazing food might seem unrealistic. It is true that The Plum Tree might set you back a little, but the experience will prove worthy.

The restaurant review team left early on a weekday evening to enjoy the best part of our job: eating. With anticipation, we had looked forward to reviewing The Plum Tree all week. The pink truck brought us the short drive in style.

The beauty of the waterfall and bridge leading up to The Plum Tree was a welcome reminder that this evening was going to be a treat. The stunning interior may have even surpassed the exterior in elegance. Before being seated, we perused the furniture store in the front part of the building. A variety of styles and items sent each of us in different directions to explore.

After touring the front, we were seated in a cozy section of the restaurant. The hardwood floors, brick walls, interesting art and linen tablecloths were elegant, but the soothing music and dim lighting gave us a feeling of comfort, not austere isolation. The decorative touches, for example, the upside-down flower pots as light fixtures and fresh flowers on every table added to the atmosphere.

Jason, our waiter, was friendly and attentive, but not obnoxious (i.e. our water was always filled, but he wasn't hovering). Before

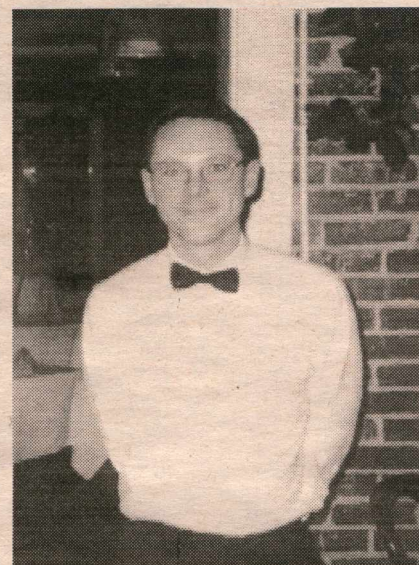
taking our orders, we were brought bread and salad. First of all, everything at this restaurant tastes great, but it is the little touches that set The Plum Tree apart. The salads were brought with the salad dressing automatically on the side, and the fresh lettuce was topped with grated carrots, toasted almonds and freshly ground pepper. For a second course we tried the smoked salmon chowder. It was rich and hearty, warming our stomachs with its zesty flavor.

The main course was the most fun. Kara ordered the Halibut with Rock Shrimp, Leeks and Tomatoes. It was served with garlic mashed potatoes and mixed vegetables on the side. Everything was reportedly fresh and well cooked. "I have not had food this elegant and genuinely good in a long time," Kara commented.

Brooke ordered one of the evening's night specials, the Prime Rib. Besides being astonished at how large it was, she said, "The prime rib is so good, so tender and moist." It also came with garlicmashed potatoes and fresh-tasting mixed vegetables.

Monica ordered the Breast of Chicken, Sun-dried Tomato Pesto

and Polenta. It had an amazing, but rather indescribable taste. Monica was pleasantly surprised, "It has red pepper and zucchini! I want to eat it up, eat it up, eat it up!" she



The staff at The Plum Tree serves with style.

said. Polenta is made from corn meal and its texture is reminiscent of couscous. The polenta, vegetables, tomatoes and chicken were served in a huge bowl and topped with fresh grated parmesan cheese. Despite the satisfaction of our stom-

achs, our willpower broke down when we were shown the dessert selections. Kara chose a chocolate-caramel mousse, Brooke chose the Key Lime Pie and Monica chose a chocolate-cappuccino mousse. Not much discussion ensued regarding the desserts because we were too busy scarfing them down.

In a closing argument for The Plum Tree, Kara said, "The food was wholesome and came with generous portions. The service was friendly and the entire experience had a casual elegance." Monica was in agreement, "I felt so comfortable in the relaxed, simply beautiful environment. I was able to forget all my stresses and enjoy a wonderful evening out. I can't wait to come back."

Each agreed that The Plum Tree would make any Valentine's Day date special.

The Plum Tree is located at 604 3rd Street South in Nampa. Prices range from \$9-\$22 for dinner entrees. For holidays and weekend evenings, reservations are recommended; call 467-1520.

## Yo-ho-ho and some rum based beverages!

I am a hearty seafaring type of individual, so recently I spent a week faring around the sea aboard the largest cruise ship in the world that has not yet hit an iceberg. It is called the Voyager, and it weighs 140,000 tons, which is approximately the amount I ate in desserts alone.

The Voyager sails out of Miami every week carrying 3,200 passengers determined to relax or die trying. The ship has (I am not making any of this up) an ice-skating rink, a large theater, a shopping mall, a rock-climbing wall and a nine-hole miniature golf course. We have come a long way indeed from the days when the Pilgrims crossed the Atlantic aboard the Mayflower, which — hard as it is to imagine today — had no skating rink and ONLY FOUR GOLF HOLES.

While aboard the ship, we passengers engaged in a wide range of traditional cruise-ship activities, including eating breakfast, snacking, eating lunch, drinking complex rum-based beverages while lying on deck absorbing solar radiation until we glowed like exit signs, snacking some more, eating

dinner, eating more snacks and passing out face-down in the pate section of the midnight buffet. Needless to say I did not attempt to climb the rock wall, which is good because the resulting disaster would have made for a chilling newspaper headline:

CRUISE SHIP EVACUATED AS MAN FALLS, EXPLODES; HUNDREDS SPATTERED BY SEMIDIGESTED SHRIMP

The only stressful part of our shipboard routine was looking at photographs of ourselves. When you're on a cruise, photographers constantly pop up and take pictures of you; they put these on display in hopes that you'll buy them as souvenirs. At night, my wife and I would join the throng of passengers looking through the photos, hoping to find a nice flattering shot of ourselves, and then suddenly — YIKES — we'd be confronted with this terrifying image of two bloated, bright-red sluglike bodies with OUR FACES. Jabba and Mrs. Hutt go to sea!

When every passenger had attained roughly the same body weight as a Buick Riviera, the

Dave Barry  
Syndicated humor columnist



ship would stop at a Caribbean island, and the passengers would waddle ashore to experience the traditional local culture, by which I mean shop for European jewelry and watches. I frankly don't know why it makes economic sense for a tourist from Montana to fly to Miami, get on a ship and sail to Jamaica for the purpose of purchasing a watch made in Switzerland, but apparently it does, because shopping is very important to cruise passengers. If these people ever get to Mars, they WILL expect to find jewelry stores.

The other thing you do when your ship is in port is take guided tours to Local Points of Interest. Under international law, every tour group must include one tourist who has the IQ of sod. In Jamaica, we toured a plantation, and our group included a woman whose brain operated on some kind of tape delay, as we see from this typi-

cal exchange between her and our guide:

GUIDE: These are banana plants, which produce bananas. You can see the bananas growing on these banana plants.

WOMAN (in a loud voice): What kind of plants are these? GUIDE: Banana.

WOMAN: Huh! (To her husband:) Frank, these are banana plants!

The woman repeated virtually everything the guide said to Frank. One day he will kill her with a kitchen appliance.

But I am proud to say that winner of the award for Biggest Tourist Doofus was: me. What happened was, during the tour, a man demonstrated how he could climb a coconut tree using only a small rope made from twisted banana fibers. When he came down, he showed me the rope, and I, out of politeness, pretended to be interested in it, although in fact it was, basically, a rope. The man handed it to me and suggested I might want to "take it home to the kids."

I frankly doubted that any modern Nintendo-raised American child would be thrilled by such a gift ("Look,

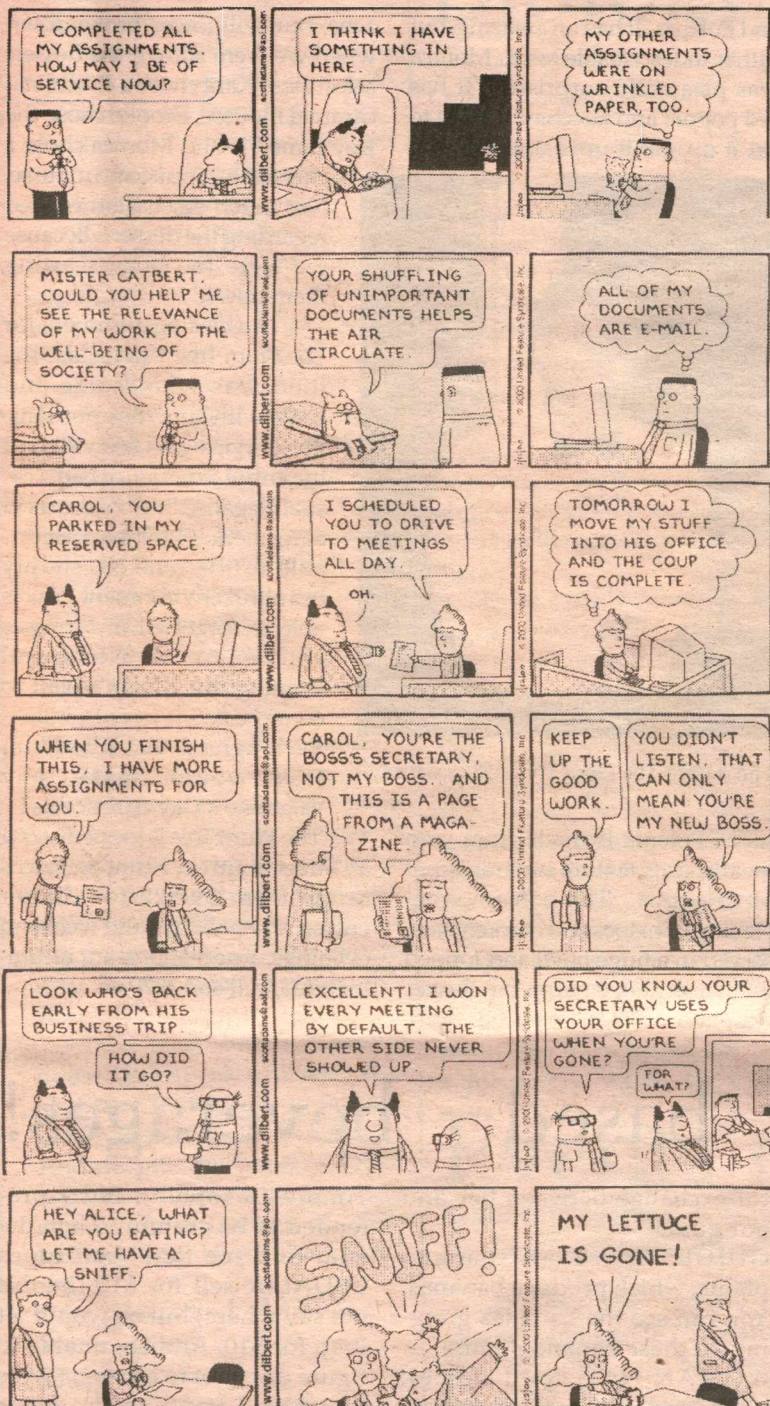
Timmy! A rope!"). But I pretended to be grateful. Then the man told me that such ropes USUALLY sell for \$15 (he did not say where) but he would let it go for \$10. And so, unable to figure out how to escape, I gave him \$10. I imagine the other plantation workers laughed far into the night when he told them. ("He gave you \$10 for the ROPE?" "Yes! He must be even stupider than the tape-delay woman!")

But don't get me wrong: I truly enjoyed the cruise. It was fun and relaxing, and it gave me a rare chance, amid all the hustle and bustle of my busy life, to pick up a substantial amount of body mass. Cruising is also romantic, so let me just say this to you couples out there: If you're looking for a way to rekindle the flame in your relationship, I'll sell you my rope. [davebarry.com](http://davebarry.com) for secret orders.

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Top Ten Things we Thought we Heard at the Iowa Caucus

10. Does Bill Bradley look tan or are the Iowans really pale? ~ David Stillman
9. If these abortion doctors would stop voting, I might have a chance. ~ Gary Bauer
8. This is the most I've ever won at an Iowa caucus before; I broke my own record ~ George W. Bush
7. Is that guy waving a Chinese flag? ~ David Stillman
6. I hope "goat eye boy" (aka Gore) doesn't win. He gives me the heebie-jeebies.~ Brooke Humphrey
5. Is it me, or does George W. look like he's high on cocaine right now? ~ Nathan Hydes
4. I'm sure glad that Clinton guy didn't score very high this year. ~ Kara Lyons
3. I don't get it. Steve Forbes is surrounded by beautiful women. ~ David Stillman
2. Will both of the people who voted for Orrin Hatch please stand up? ~ Anonymous
1. Is this \$@#!\$# microphone on?~ George W. Bush

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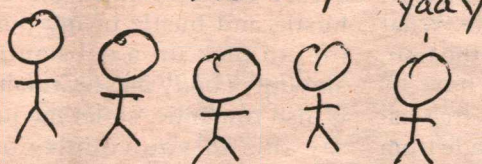
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Poorly Drawn Man - by David Stillman

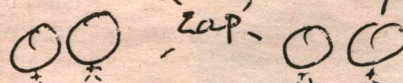
While the NNU baseball team celebrates its victory\* yaay



Charles Schultz unleashes his powers

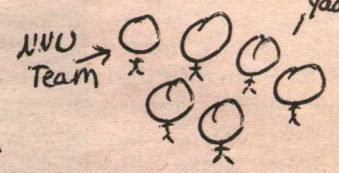
Charles Schultz

Why do I suddenly want to offer psychiatric help for 5 ♀?



Suddenly, the NNU players have huge heads + tiny bodies

They go on to win the NAI A World Series yaay



poorly drawn opposing pitcher

How can I pitch when they have a strike zone the size of a grapefruit?

\* See last week's strip. If you can't find it, get a pencil and draw your own