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Column One

Technology, what is the point? I have heard that it is supposed to make our lives better, but hello, can anyone say "Technical Support?" If technology is so much better than the old ways, why is it that I spend more time fixing or going around all the problems that arise with it?

Fifty years ago computers were so big that you could barely fit them in a room. And now in that fifty years we have seen such an explosion of computer technology that all doomsayers were out in force calling out the doom of modern society because of Y2K. Uh, in case there are still some of you out there who still think Y2K is a threat, I am sorry to inform you - NOT GOING TO HAPPEN! However, not to increase "doomsayer" unemployment - BEWARE OF Y3K!!

Seriously, though, people have made a fortune on the fact that modern day technologies do not work all the time. As I write this article on a computer, I wait for the thing to jam, crash or just plain come alive and eat me. It is like my life is no longer my own, but rather based on whether or not my computer works or does not.

Oh, forget the fact that as I write this (at midnight) the printer has decided to print accorian shaped copies instead of the traditional straight and flat ones. Why? Ask the printer gods, or any other technology gods, because Man sure knew how to make things easier - NOT!

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Faculty share bond with students

by Lynette Brown
Campus News Editor

Many of the faculty at NNU have a special connection with the school in one way or another. Some of them are alumni and have good memories of the days they were students here. Others have relatives who lived in Nampa, and God has blessed them with the opportunity to work on campus. Each has their own story of why they are at Northwest Nazarene, and each has some connection. Some of the faculty may have more reasons to be here than others, and each should have a chance to fill the students in on why they are here. One of the unique connections some of the staff members at NNU have would be that their sons or daughters are students at NNU.

Though many of us feel homesick and miss our mothers quite a bit, not all of the students have to. Those students who live in the area do not have to go far in order to see Mom on a bad day. A few of our students do not even have to leave campus—Mom works in the school. These students may perhaps have a perspective that has changed by seeing their moms in action on campus.

A few of the mothers who

work on campus may actually come as a surprise to some of the student body, including people as secretary of the Education Department (Julia Jolley), Riley librarian (LaRita Schandorff), and a science educator (Dr. Chris Kapicka). These women work hard in order to insure that all of the students, including their own children, get the same opportunities as

"The first day he answered roll 'Yes, Mom'"
~ Dr. Kapicka

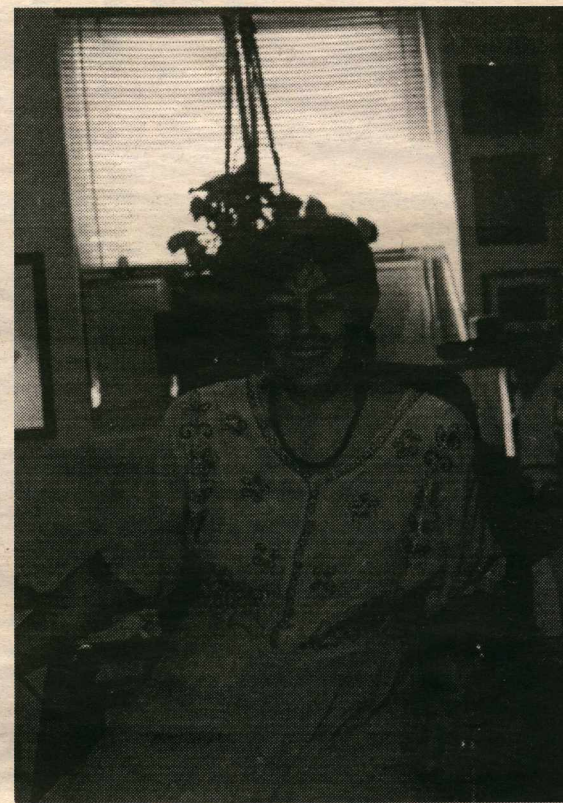
any of the other students. As Schandorff put it, "When they're in the library, I try to give them no more and no less help than I would any other student. It works out okay. I think it's harder for my kids than it is for me. I work extra hard not to talk about them to other faculty and definitely never ask for special privileges just because I work here. They both prefer to just blend in and I've tried to let them do that."

Due to the fact that their children attend NNU, these ladies admit that at times it feels odd. It also has not hindered them. Each of them agreed that they tried to treat their own children with the same courtesy as the other students on campus. "I had my son in class for one term. It was some times odd but actually fun. He enjoyed seeing me in my profes-

sional life and I enjoyed having him in class. He didn't seem to mind that he was the 'son of the professor.' The first day he answered roll 'Yes, Mom' so he obviously didn't mind the other students knowing he was my son," says Kapicka.

Not only are memories being made now by such a unique opportunity to be involved in their children's lives, but some were made earlier. Jolley said that "The best part is having Molly just 'pop' into the office at all different times of the day. Molly has been around NNC/U since she was in kindergarten down in room 139 here in Wiley. When she was in kindergarten she used to walk through the office on the way to the restroom and say, with a twinkle in her eye, 'Mom, I'm just taking a short cut.'"

These faculty members obviously enjoy the chance to get to work with their children in a



Dr. Kapicka enjoys having her son here on campus. She gets to see him more often, and even had him in one of her classes!

different way than they ever did before. Their children seem to appreciate the fact that they can see their mothers in both a professional role and a familiar one. Getting the chance to see a side of the campus that the faculty may not always get to see is also a neat perk of working at NNU. These women have a chance to meet students who may not ever cross paths with some of them if it was not for their children.

French Professor influences NNU

Native of France makes learning French fun for students

by Gina Meis and Shelly Hall
Crusader Guest Writers

There are times when a professor strikes a cord with their students and impresses upon them a sort of awe-inspiring attitude of "I hope I can be like that someday". Madame Juliette Buxton has been just one of those professors. She speaks not only fluent English, but three other languages as well. Madame grew up in Amiens, France, a town the size of Boise 100 miles north of

Paris. She had a typical French upbringing, attending a private catholic high school and going on to the regional university located in her town. With a doctor for a father and a nurse for a mother, it is no surprise that she chose to pursue a degree in biology.

During her schooling at the university, she came to America on an exchange program. Her exchange program brought her to the University of Idaho, where she met her future husband. After completing one year, she returned to France and began to prepare for an extensive exam to become a teacher. Madame spent the next year preparing for this exam because only ten percent of the students who take it pass. She spent the next year teaching in France, then got married and re-

turned to Idaho with her husband, a fourth generation Idahoan.

While in Idaho, Madame has taught biology, has been a very active member of the French Alliance, and is currently teaching French classes at NNU and BSU. While teaching biology in a junior high in Boise, Madame had a contract with her students; she would teach them biology and they would teach her English. She was fluent, but sometimes pronunciation presented a challenge for her. The only stipulation was that the students had to be kind when correcting her.

Madame will return to France next year while her husband obtains a Masters degree in engineering, she will return to teaching and is looking forward

to being close to her family again and sharing some American traditions with them. She is already planning a pumpkin dinner to celebrate Halloween, because most people in France have never had pumpkin pie, pumpkin seeds or pumpkin bread.

In class Madame always pays special attention to current world issues and teaches us to pray in French for them. She makes a language fun, which is hard to do at 7:45 in the morning. She has been innovative in teaching techniques, applying games, movies and cuisine into daily activities. We have appreciated her dedication to the students and the betterment of the French program at NNU. Madame, you will be sorely missed. Bonne chance Madame, et merci beaucoup!

Students R.U.S.H. to help the town of Nampa

by Sara Keller

Crusader Guest Writer

RUSH (R U Serving Him?), z. 1, a morning dedicated to serving the community. 2, twice a year. 3, a fun way to get involved with school events.

Bright and early Saturday morning, while many students

were fast asleep, RUSHers gathered in Clydes, ready to tackle a morning of service projects. Although it was a small group, enthusiasm was high! After getting instructions, we all piled into a van and went to an elderly lady's home in Nampa.

We found a big project waiting for us. Our mission was to weed, mow, rake and prune a very overgrown section of the lady's backyard. I must admit, when I first saw the section of her yard we were supposed to clean up, I thought it was going to take us

forever!

Enjoying the nice, crisp morning air, we got to work. Thanks to a lawnmower, weed eater, and many hard workers, we were able to look at the finished project only two hours later. We filled ten to fifteen trash bags with grass, twigs, weeds. Well,

you name it, it was probably

there! It was quite a sight to see the lady's front curb loaded with trash bags!

Working with the lady's neighbors was an added bonus. A lady and her two kids made the work fun and helped us out a great deal. They were responsible for

giving their neighbor's name to service groups, so they decided to work with us. We discovered that the young boy was actually helping us so he could go see the new Flinstones movie later that afternoon! It was fun to spend a little time working and getting to



NNU students help make Nampa a brighter community! Getting up in the morning in order to clean a stranger's yard may not seem like a ton of fun on hearing it, but the internal awards prove it to be a rewarding experience!

know them.

I think everyone in our group felt good about what we accomplished. RUSH participant Andrea Trepus said she enjoyed doing something outside and at the

same time serving the community. Although it was an early morning, RUSH was definitely worth getting up for. You cannot beat the feeling you get when you know you relieved a burden in

someone's life. RUSH is an awesome opportunity to get out in the community and show Nampa what NNU is all about. Keep your eyes open next fall for the next edition of RUSH!

Shafer follows dreams of graphic design

by Laurissa Hurst

Campus Staff Writer

As children many of us used to pretend we were whatever we wanted to be when we grew up. As we started to grow, our ideas may have changed.

As we entered college we had new ideas of what the future will hold. Sometimes we wonder if it is all worth it, if we will ever achieve our goals. Shawn Shafer is an excellent example that it is possible to reach such goals.

Shawn was born in Washington but has moved around since then. His father is a minister, so Shawn didn't grow up in a single area. He was raised in Montana and spent high school in Canada. His parents currently reside in South Dakota.

Shawn is finishing his fourth year as a Graphic Arts major here at NNU and hopes to graduate in



Shawn Shafer, a student whose dreams became realities.

a year. Shawn has been given the awesome opportunity to put the skills he has learned here to work. He is interning as the Assistant

Graphics Designer for Extended Systems.

Extended Systems is a local company based in Boise. Engineers from Hewlett Packard started it about sixteen years ago. They specialize in print servers, as well as infrared technology. They make it easy for cell phones and hand-held organizers to hook up to the Internet without cables.

It is Shawn's, as well as Kara Thompson, the head Graphic Designer's, job to design all marketing materials and technical data sheets. They work

on advertisements, posters, and packaging, the company web page and a lot of mailers. They are also responsible for getting

this information and material out to potential customers.

This is a big job. However, as an intern the company allows Shawn to work part time while he finishes his schooling.

How did Shawn get a job like this? He tells us to "Have a good portfolio that shows your ability to perform on the job."

Shawn accredits his experience to his education here as well as to working for the Crusader. He worked on the paper for two years, spending the second as the editor.

"The training I've had here gave me the ability to walk on the job and go right to work," he says. Shawn was one of many in competition for this position. He interviewed with an outstanding portfolio and a good resume'.

He was well equipped, which made him stiff competition for the other competitors. Shawn

whimsically adds, "They must have liked me because they gave me the job."

If you ever wonder if it is possible to obtain a job in your major field, talk to Shawn; he has done it. He is living proof that hard work and an excellent education can and does pay off.

He tells us that, "If everything works out, there is the possibility of becoming a full time employee when I graduate, with full benefits." He has already been offered a stock option, which he is taking full advantage of.

Even though Shawn still does not have the whole picture of what he wants to do when he graduates, he says that it is great to have a job in his major because other basic jobs do not have the creative outlet he is looking for.

No need to sweat the summer session

by Dawn Stuvland

Campus Staff Writer

As the last few weeks of the school year fade away into the warm blue sky, and those boxes are being saved for packing up a year's worth of memories, clothes, and leftover ramen, talk turns to summer plans.

Some of us have exciting plans for the three school-free months and are looking forward to traveling. Personally I look forward to leaving most of my personal belongings behind and flying away to Richmond, Virginia where I will experience a different culture and hopefully do a lot of traveling in between jobs.

Our summer travel teams are getting all geared up to hit the

road on tour, and graduating seniors are securing jobs for not only the summer, but next year as well.

Most of the students are looking forward to a change of pace, even if it involves working many hours to earn the right to come back to school in the fall, or starting to pay off those dreaded loans. So I imagine that summer school is not a topic many of us have given much thought to.

Why go to school in the summer? That is what I asked myself too, as I looked more into our summer school program here at NNU. I found that many students are actually taking summer classes.

Asking Gina Meis why she is enrolled in summer school she said, "I need to take Ed 296 (a

"I need to take Ed 296 and since I'm living here in Nampa with my parents, it'll be easy."

~Gina Meis

field experience class for education majors, usually taken during the sophomore year) and since I'm living here in Nampa with my parents this summer, it'll be easy."

For Gina, and many other students (both from the area and outside of Idaho), summer school is a savior. Without being able to pick up classes in the summer,

they would not be able to graduate on time because of a heavy load of requirements.

This year, summer school classes will actually begin the new semester calendar.

There are two sessions: the first runs from May 29th-June 23rd, and the second is from June 26th-July 25th.

The classes are daily, and the lineup of available courses includes the all-time favorite, Music and Art in the Western World, a Birds of Prey class, Earth Science, History of Ancient Israel, Fundamentals of Speech, Intro to

Teaching, Elementary Statistics, Life and Teachings of Jesus Christ, Counseling Theories, various private music lessons, Intro to Psychology, Internship in Ministry, and many more.

There is also a group traveling to London, England for a month along with Professor Reg. Hill, and doctors Alan Hueth and Dennis Waller to take English and Communications classes abroad.

So, if you are planning on staying in the area this summer or if you have not decided yet, I would encourage you to look at a list of classes being offered.

Taking even one class could make a big difference in how long you have to be enrolled in school full time. It is a great way to catch up on needed credits and/or classes.

Campus technology fee increase explained

by Bob VanAllen

Crusader Guest Writer

Fees, fees, fees . . . all these silly little fees that we pay seem to overwhelm us at the beginning of each term/semester, especially all of the fees that we don't seem to know anything about. One of these fees with which many students are not familiar is the Student Technology Fee.

So what exactly is this fee, and why should you care? Well, a year ago the University Administrative Council and the Board of Regents decided to implement the fee in order to provide students with a better idea of where their tuition money is spent, instead of simply taking money from the general tuition. Their decision was based on research of the structures of other colleges and universities and upon consultation of student government and other committees on campus. Items such as computers, network hardware, the telephone system, and the network server are examples of things on which this money is designed to be spent. The fee amount for next year is \$100 per student per semester.

So who decides where the Technology Fee is spent? The Student Technology Fee Committee, of course! Members on this year's committee are myself, Jose Melendez, Seth Davick, Eric Kellerer, Duane Slemmer, and Ted Wheeler. The committee met recently and proposed the following budget for next year's technology fee expenditures.

First of all, our spending budget for expenditures for next year is at least \$150,000 (subject to increase depending on enrollment). The pie chart shows how this money is going to be distributed.

The first item, the Dial-In T1 Line, makes it possible for students off-campus to access the internet through our server. Also, print credit for next year will be raised to \$10 per student per semester, and the expenses for the printers, paper and toner is taken from this section of the budget.

Many of the other items on this budget are improvements to our current system, helping us to upgrade the technology on our

campus to be the best that it can be. For instance, the computer labs in Wiley rooms 114 and 115 are being rewired to make them more efficient. We are also buying seventy brand new Pentium-III computers to be distributed throughout the computer labs on campus (Wiley, Science and Business labs).

The seventy computers which are currently in these labs will then be moved into dorm computer labs, bringing these labs up to par. In addition, we are rebuilding used Pentium-II and Pentium-III computers to replace the remainder of the dorm computer lab machines.

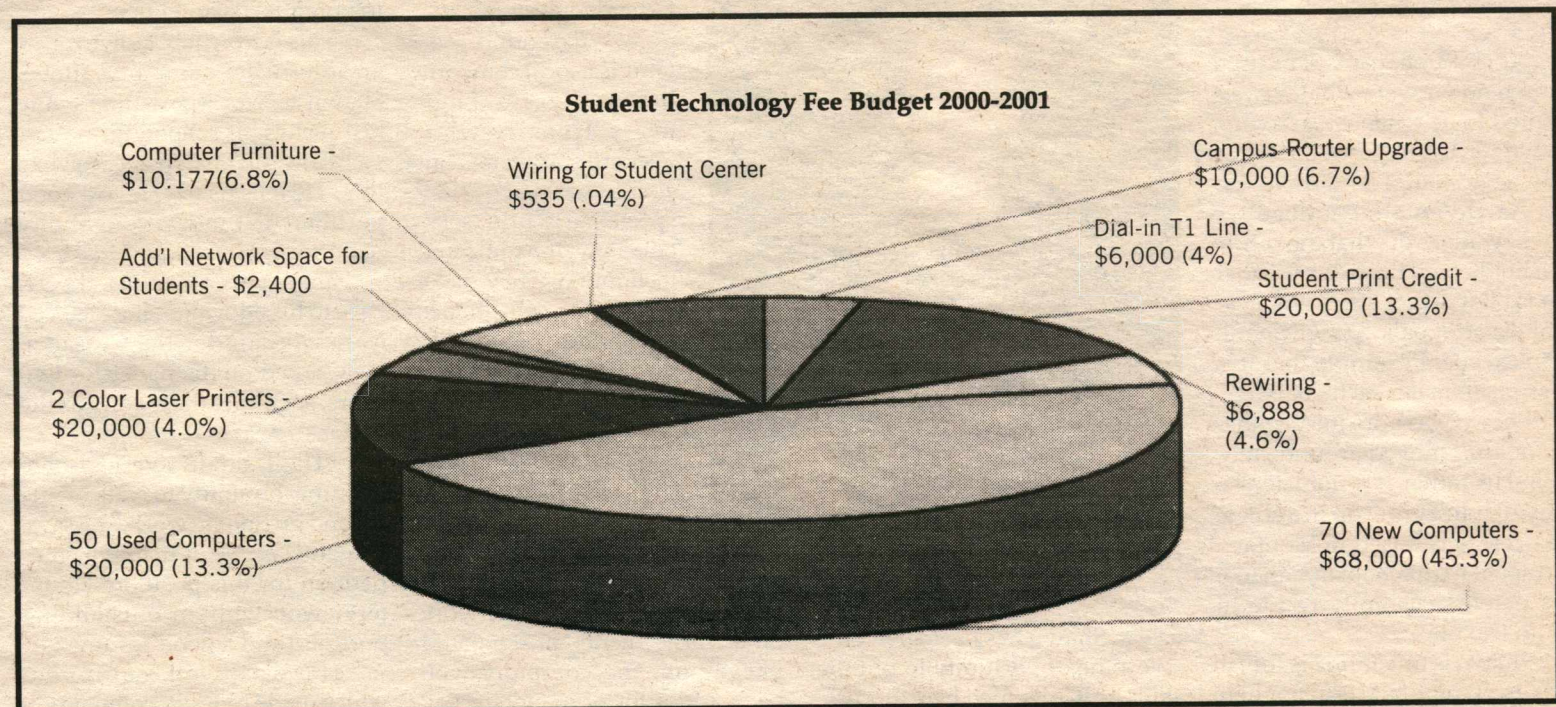
We are also buying two color

printers to be located in Wiley 115 and the Science Lab. Two new network drives will be bought, allowing students to have extra network space (from 50 to 100 MB per student). The furniture in Wiley 115 will be upgraded to provide a more attractive and comfortable environment in this lab.

Also, an e-mail--checking kiosk will be added downstairs in the student center to allow students to check e-mail on-the-go. Finally, a new campus routing system is needed in the near future, and this will require saving up money to invest in the \$80,000 system. This new router will drastically speed up the network,

hopefully putting an end to students' late-night miseries when the network is busy and a term paper is due the next day!

If you are interested in how this money is spent next year, then take the initiative and get involved! The student technology fee committee is a Student/Faculty Committee, chosen by the SGA Executive Vice President for next year (John Galloway). Signups for this and other low-time-commitment committees are up this week downstairs in the student center next to the ATM on the glass booth, so do not miss it!



Students preach the Word

by Lynette Brown
Campus News Editor

Over the week of May 1-5, NNU's campus had the privilege to attend special chapels where the guest speakers were members of our own student body. The topics the three spoke on ranged from servanthood to "I want to know Christ!" Those three who were fortunate to speak in chapel were seniors: Heather Oglevie, Daniel Morgan and Kelli Westmark.

How did these people get the chance to speak in chapel? The religion department holds an annual contest in which all the seniors who want to can submit a written sermon on holiness. These sermons go to a panel of seven judges who read the sermons anonymously and pick out the three best sermons. Those three get to speak in chapel.

However, this is not the last stage of the contest. The students who speak are, still competing.

Each of these students had wonderful messages that the student body enjoyed. The three students worked hard on their sermons to make them the best they possibly could be.

This contest has probably been on the minds of all religion

students since the beginning of their career as religion students, but it has been especially prominent in the minds of the seniors this year.

As Oglevie said "For most of my senior year, the thought that I would be preaching at chapel was at the back of my mind—for a few weeks there, it was obsessing my life as I tried to get everything planned and coordinated and ready. Now it's over, and I can't wait to see the results."

The reasons for choosing the particular passages addressed were varied. Oglevie said that "I believe that I must have had some kind of divine help to find the interpretation I did... which seems like a stretch of the meaning of the passage, I admit, but nonetheless rings valid. I believe that servanthood is an ill-covered topic. Too many servanthood sermons seem to make servanthood seem like an impossibility... and almost none give some source of empowerment besides brute effort."

Westmark said "I love Philippians 3:10-14, and to know Christ is the desire of my heart. It was through writing this sermon and attending classes that I have begun to really understand that I can try and pursue God and do the best I can do with the life I

have been given, but God is the one who gives the grace and reaches down to me and entire sanctification really is a work of God, not of me!"

The student body responded with enthusiasm to the messages. Sophomore David Kadel said, "It meant a lot to us to sing in chapel to support Heather. We all know how much work she put into this, and we're proud of her and the way God has used her."

Freshmen Haniel Massoud said "His [Daniel] energy kept me captivated the whole time!" Junior Vito Montebianco said, "I thought the topic and content showed great depth and obvious knowledge. I was really impressed," about Westmark.

The future still includes school for the students. Westmark plans to attend Nazarene Theological Seminary, as does Oglevie. Northwest Nazarene is proud to have these students represent the school in Kansas City. Congratulations to the three students, and best wishes for the future!

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Rivals Israel and Lebanon cease attacks temporarily

by Heather Oglevic
World News Staff Writer

The battling countries of Lebanon and Israel came to an uneasy standstill Friday night, just in time for the Jewish Sabbath, after several episodes of retaliation bombing resulted in the injury of civilians on both sides of the disputed border.

Lebanese forces were responsible for this last salvo, in response to Israeli attacks which wounded an off-duty soldier and a Lebanese civilian.

Meanwhile, northern Israeli citizens came out of their bomb shelters and prepared to go about their lives, while both Israel and the Hezbollah guerilla group under Lebanon warned that they would tolerate no more attacks on civilians.

Friday's bombing was the direct result of an Israeli air-attack Thursday night, which was itself a response to a rocket attack by the Hezbollah Thursday.

Israel's announcement that it would not retaliate for this latest attack Friday morning met with a somewhat smug statement from Lebanon, warning that any show of force from Israel would be answered.

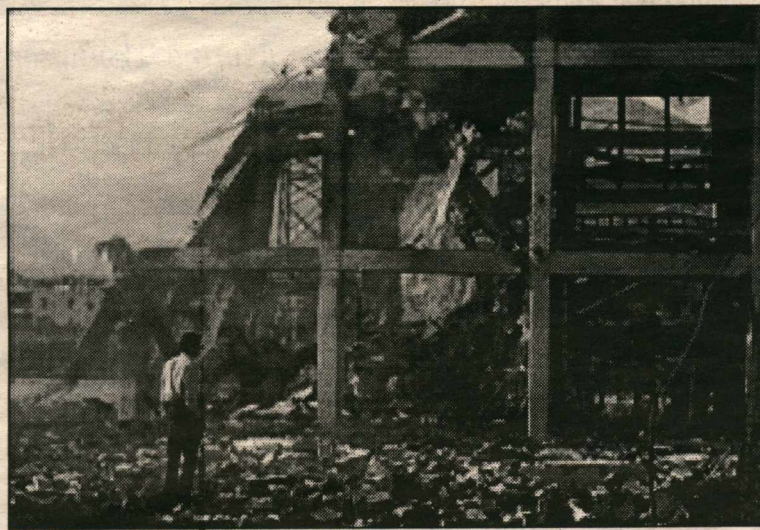
"If it wants to spare its northern settlements the danger of the Katyusha rockets, then it has to restrain its army from any aggression and also has to restrain its agent militia," Hezbollah said.

"Israel is satisfied with the results of the Israeli attacks on the infrastructure and the Hezbollah targets," Israeli political sources responded.

"Israel has no interest in escalation but it has the right to defend itself at the appropriate time."

Hezbollah guerrillas had launched a fresh rocket attack at the Israeli town of Kiryat Shemona on Friday and Israeli President Ezer Weizman, pleased by the initial Israeli attack Friday night, told reporters: "We will plunge their world into darkness."

Many fear that retaliatory attacks will jeopardize the slow and touchy process of relinquishing Israeli control over Lebanon-scheduled to begin in just a few



Shocked Lebanese residents begin to rebuild their lives after an Israeli attack. This man lost everything when a nearby power plant was bombed.

weeks.

In addition, the United States will have increased difficulty luring Syria—a Hezbollah supporter—back to the table to continue talks for peace in the Middle East. Many fear that this pattern of reprisals is a glimpse

as an envoy from the U.N. secretary-general, Terje Roed-Larsen, is in Beirut to discuss Israel's promise to end its 22-year occupation of south Lebanon by July.

Larsen's mission of both Lebanon and Syria to aid in the withdrawal, but

negotiations were slowed by a second, unexpected day of meetings with Lebanese President Emile Lahoud and Prime Minister Selim al-Hoss, who doubt the sincerity of the Israeli promise to pull out of the country. Larsen also calls for an end of

attacks on civilians, calling them unacceptable and "particularly unhelpful at this present time."

U.S. Ambassador David Satterfield twice conveyed messages from Secretary of State Madeleine Albright to Prime Minister Hoss in an effort to halt the spiral in violence.

"This is a particularly sensitive, a particularly volatile situation," Satterfield said after seeing Hoss.

"It is extremely important that all sides do everything possible to avoid actions that could lead to an escalation. Such an escalation will not be in the interests of any party."

Meanwhile, the Lebanese economy is taking a blow due to the fighting. The central bank has had to increase intervention in order to preserve the value of the Lebanese pound, providing almost all the \$91 million last week alone. Spending has increased dramatically with the increased tension in politics and policy.

of the future if Israel backs away and withdraws troops from Southern Lebanon—that guerilla forces will come even closer to the northern Israeli border and continue to launch attacks.

"Opposition within Israel to the unilateral withdrawal plan is almost certain to increase," NBC's Martin Fletcher reports. This seems like an understatement.

Syria which backs Hezbollah and has 35,000 troops in Lebanon, also has some stake in the conflicts. She wants Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon to be part of a broader peace agreement that will secure the return of the Golan Heights to her, land which was seized by Israel from Syria in the 1967 Mideast war.

The conflict is widespread enough that a meeting of the Arab league has been called in Cairo to discuss the issue.

These are the worst cross-border clashes since June 1999, when Israel blasted the Lebanese infrastructure, and they come just

"It is extremely important that all sides do everything possible to avoid actions that could lead to an escalation."

~David Satterfield

World News Briefs

by Jeremy Smith
World News Writer

NASA spots bone-shaped meteor

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Images of a metallic, dog bone-shaped rock the size of New Jersey were released by NASA last Thursday.

The asteroid, named Kleopatra, measures 135 miles long and about 58 miles wide. These are the first ever radar images of an asteroid from the main belt between Mars and Jupiter, says NASA.

Astronomers have known about Kleopatra's existence since 1880, but never knew its shape. The shape was determined by bouncing radar signals off the asteroid from the massive telescope at the Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico.

These new radar images were taken when Kleopatra was about 106 million miles from Earth. NASA scientists said there was no chance of it ever colliding with Earth.

"With its dog bone shape, Kleopatra is one of the most unusual asteroids we've seen in the solar system," said Dr. Steven Ostro of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, who led a team of astronomers observing Kleopatra with the 1,000 foot telescope of the Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico. "Kleopatra could be the remnant of an incredibly violent collision between two asteroids that did not completely shatter and disperse all the fragments."

Kleopatra is one of several dozen asteroids whose coloring suggests they contain metal. Kleopatra's strong reflection of radar signals indicates it is mostly metal, possibly a nickel-iron alloy.

Priest stabbed during confession

Cincinnati, OH - A Roman Catholic priest in Ohio has refused to identify the man who stabbed him during confession Friday, May 5 because it would violate church law.

The Reverend Charles Mentrup, 41, was hearing confession at his Middletown home Friday evening when he was stabbed, said Dan Andriacco, a spokesman for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

The stabbing was reported in an emergency 911 call Friday evening by another priest who took Mentrup to the hospital, said Andriacco.

"As far as we know, Father Mentrup is unable to help police in identifying his attacker because the sacred seal of the confessional binds him to keep such information confidential," said Andriacco.

The police in Middletown have said that no arrests have been made in the stabbing.

Mentrup, principal of Middletown Bishop Fenwick High School, remained in fair condition Sunday at Middletown Regional Hospital, reported a hospital spokeswoman. Police do not believe the assault had any connection with the high school.

Fenwick students described Mentrup as a popular administrator who treated them more as a friend than as an authority figure.

Gas prices begin to decrease.

Los Angeles, CA - Gasoline prices dipped slightly during the past two weeks, despite rising crude oil prices. The Lundberg Survey, which monitors gasoline prices at 10,000 stations across the nation, reported that the average price of a gallon of self-serve regular dropped by less than one-eighth of a cent per gallon, from \$1.48.35 on April 21 to \$1.48.23 on May 5.

The average price of gasoline in Atlanta was the lowest in the nation, at just under \$1.30 per gallon, while San Francisco drivers paid the highest average price, at \$1.80 per gallon.

Although survey publisher Trilbie Lundberg said she could not predict which way prices would go next, the trend appears to be pointing downward, despite the \$1.50 rise per gallon in crude oil prices.

Gasoline prices appear to be dropping due to growing inventories among the nation's gasoline producers as they stock up for increased travel during the summer. Those increased stocks "seem to have kept a lid on price increases, for now," Lundberg said.

Average gasoline prices per gallon in other cities were: Denver, Colorado with \$1.32, St. Louis with \$1.39, Charlotte, North Carolina with \$1.41, Miami with \$1.52, Chicago with \$1.65, Los Angeles with \$1.61 and Dallas with \$1.43.

Entire family of crash-test dummies revealed

by Jeremy Smith
World News Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration crash dummies Larry and Vince are getting some fellow passengers.

Until now, all crash test dummies have been patterned after men. But new rules for air bags announced Friday, May 5, by the U.S. Transportation Department require automakers to test an entire family of dummies, including one, three, and six year-old children, as well as a small woman, along with an average man.

"We're bringing on line ... a new family of dummies that will allow us to gain better understanding," says Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater.

"It's a success for the public," said Sue Ferguson with the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. "Instead of tests on the average-size male, we'll have tests that'll represent the entire family."

The addition of new test dummies is part of an overhaul of the federal government's air bag standards to increase safety for drivers and passen-

gers.

"Air bags have been around for some time. They've worked well. We've saved over 5,500 hundred lives," says Slater. "We're going to offer a rule that will bring about improvements, especially as relates to children and small-stature adults."

The regulations attempt to

"We're bringing on line...a new family of dummies that will allow us to gain better understanding."

~Rodney Slater

mimic real-life conditions for crash tests by requiring that child dummies be placed in car seats on the passenger seat or in other various positions that children travel in such as sitting, kneeling, standing and lying down without seat belts.

Air bags are blamed for killing 158 children and small adults since 1990. Most of the victims were not wearing seat belts and were traveling at

slow speeds when they crashed.

In response to the deaths, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reduced its 30 mph testing standard, allowing automakers to use a 25 mph test that results in air bags that deploy with less force. Federal data show that air bag deaths have declined sharply

in vehicles that have made use of the less-powerful bags.

Yet, some consumer groups want the 30 mph standard

brought back. They believe that advanced technology could create more powerful air bags that protect small people.

"Most of the people saved by the air bag to date have been in higher speed crashes, and that's where you need the air bag," said Joan Claybrook with the safety group Public Citizen. "If you have a weak air bag, then you're not going to have that protection in higher speed



This crash test "family" was introduced in Washington D.C. on Friday as the newest wave

crashes."

But Slater said, "We feel that we've got it right. We feel very, very good about the very important enhancements in safety when you couple the presence of a technologically advanced air bag with the use of the most important safety device in an automobile, the seat belt."

From September 1, 2003, to August 31, 2006, more vehicles

will be required to meet standards for air bag safety, either by automatically turning off the air bag in the presence of young children or deploying the air bag in a way that is less likely to cause serious or fatal injuries.

During a second stage of the air bag refinements, from September 1, 2007, to August 31, 2010, the maximum test speed for unbelted average-size dummies will increase from 30 mph to 35 mph.

FBI reports crime decrease over past decade

by Amy Oglevic
World News Editor

WASHINGTON, D.C.- In its bi-annual crime report, the Federal Bureau of Investigation announced that the preliminary figures for all four types of violent crime showed similar reductions in both 1998 and 1999.

Crimes in the "violent" category are murder, rape, assault and robbery. The new report upholds the longest standing trend of violence reduction, stemming back to 1992.

The number of violent crimes and property crimes such as burglary and car theft reported to the police nationwide decreased by 7 percent last year.

In addition to this, murders and robberies dropped by 8 percent in 1999, while rapes and aggravated assaults fell by over 7 percent. The FBI have recorded violent crime statistics since 1960 and are re-

ported pleased with the period of decline.

What has caused this seemingly sudden fall of violence in America? Some speculate that it is simply the passage of time and people growing up.

The nation's longest and steepest crime increases, from 10.2 percent to 13.8 percent from 1965 through 1969, came as postwar baby boomers reached the crime-susceptible ages of 15 to 25.

Also, the sixties was the age of the civil rights movement, Vietnam protests and increased mistrust of the government.

This dramatic crime rise in the '60s has haunted the Bureau and others for more than thirty years, including Professor Alfred Blumstein of Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh. He hopes that the new nineties trend "may be finally undoing the great rise of crime of the late 1960s."

While the report gave no concrete reasons for the decline in crime, experts have cited not only tougher new law enforcement policies, but also underlying social, demographic and economic factors.

The decreases have coincided with the aging of the huge baby boom generation and with the continued strong economic expansion. Tougher sentencing and increased jail time could also be a factor, resulting in a record U.S. prison population.

To those possible factors, Professor James Alan Fox of Northeastern University added "evaporating crack cocaine markets and the violent crime gangs that drove the number up in the 1980s, smarter policing, increased interest in prevention down to the grass roots and a better economy, giving cities more to invest in crime control."

In addition to socioeconomic factors, politics may

very well have played an important role in the sweeping crime decline. Politicians of both major parties pointed proudly to anti-crime measures they have introduced and championed.

President Bill Clinton said the report "confirms that our anti-crime strategy- more police officers on the beat, fewer illegal guns and violent criminals on the street- is having a powerful impact."

Clinton pushed through funding for more than 100,000 new police officers and passed the Brady law, which requires purchasers of guns to submit to a background check.

The chairman of the House Judiciary subcommittee of crime, Bill McCollum, a

Republican from Florida, credits strategies developed by local governments and highlights a GOP-sponsored law that he said has induced 27 states to impose longer prison terms in exchange for federal money to build more prisons.

GOP-backed legislation has provided \$700 million a year for prison construction, according to Senator Orrin Hatch of Utah. Clinton said further progress could come from passing the next wave of gun control legislation, but Hatch noted that the crime reductions came without enacting more extensive gun control laws.

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Looking for a fun-filled vacation? NNU students

London, England

by Bethany Carr
Cover Story Writer

The world is vast. Its secrets are to numerous too count and its treasures are the best kept in the best realm of time. Man has built cities upon the world and tried to conquer its majesty by paving it with roads and clothing it in cities.

Yet these attempts are petty when compared with the richness of what the earth has to hide. However, this is not to say that these petty attempts do not hold mysteries of their own.

Man has erected many monuments to himself which have stood the weather of time and are therefore worthy of an honorable mention. London is one of these few wells of humanity which has earned such a title, and it wears it well.

When one first arrives in the great English capital, the first thing they may notice is the feel: the atmosphere is different from any other place on earth. It is a feeling of being old, of having wisdom which is only gained through time. The city has seen two thousand years of war and peace; two thousand years of history. This feeling of age is what makes London one of my most favorite places to visit.

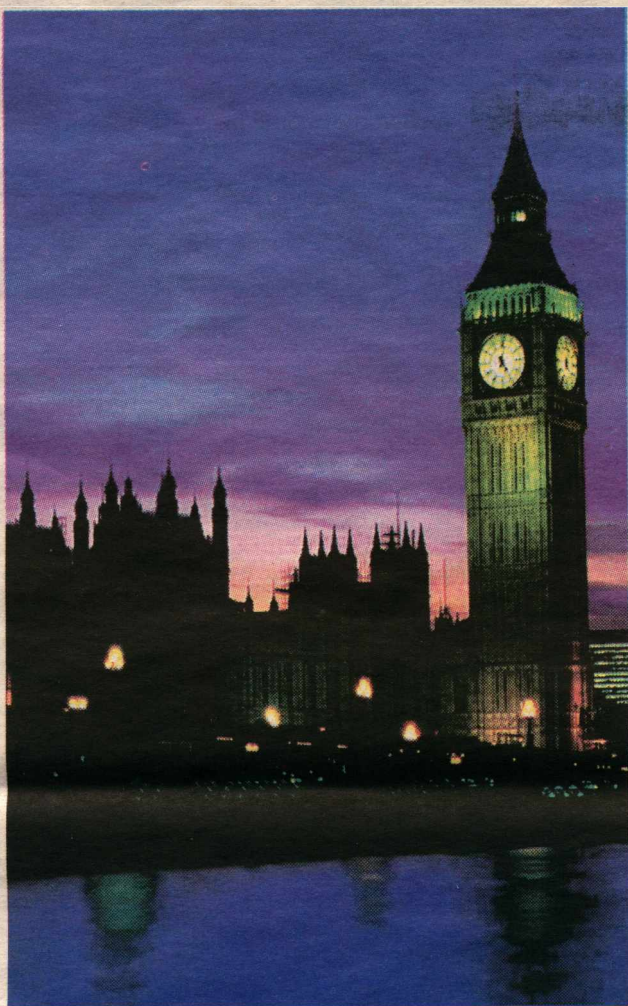
The history is reflected in the city's myriad of different architectural forms, narrow streets and countless monuments. Trafalgar

square with its much-celebrated Nelsons column, St. Paul's Cathedral and Shakespeare's Globe are just a few examples of these monuments to the city's history.

Although London is the sight of many historical monu-

ments, it is also the keeper of history from around the world.

London is the home of the British Museum and various art galleries. The Museum commemorates the Empire's years and it houses artifacts from ev-



London's Big Ben is one of the most famous attractions in London

However, if high culture is not your cup of tea, London offers many opportunities for the person who enjoys the more modern aspects of life. London is one of the movie centers of the world, and it boasts some of the largest movie theaters in the world. Leicester Square has built its name around cinemas and it is here that one will find all the movie houses, both elegant and cheap, which one attends depends upon how much wants to pay.

London is also peppered with hundreds of tiny cafes and pubs in which one can eat and socialize. Despite what many say, English food is not that bad. Large chain restaurants such as those found in the United States are rare, and when they do appear, they are mainly for the sake of tourists.

If one has trouble fitting in London would be the ideal place to go. The city has a

great sense of individuality and one can see every type of clothing, hair, and makeup.

Beyond that, no one looks twice at another person. They are just accepted for what they are. It is not uncommon to see a girl dressed in a halter top and high water pants and another girl is a fur coat and cashmere clothes on the same street. The culture of this city is tremendously mixed, diverse and accepting at the same time.

All in all, London is one of the best, most entertaining vacation spots, and with its grand history, high culture and complex social outlook. You can make it as cheap or expensive as you would like it. I can guarantee that London will not disappoint.

[England] has the feeling of being old, of having a wisdom which is only gained through time

Twin Brothers Peak, Olympic Peninsula

by Esther Heath
Cover Story Editor

As I traveled over the glacier, lost beyond my wits, I realized that I was having the best time of my entire life. Regardless of the fact that I may never see my family again, that I almost died twice, and that I hadn't showered for an indescribable period of time, I know that I would die a happy and un-showered woman.

Packed away in a virtually undiscovered trail, I spent a week traveling along the Twin Brother's Wilderness on the Olympic Coast in Washington during the balmy month of July. Originally, we had wanted to pack into the Enchanted Valley (one of the best hiking areas in Washington) but because of Cougar troubles, we chose to backpack the next valley over (we did see tracks, though).

Backpacking is by far the cheapest, and most fun way to spend a vacation. My trip cost me around \$50 (for seven days), mostly for the food that I managed to scramble up. I cannot tell you the bliss of eating instant mashed potatoes after hiking for 20 miles (unintentionally) in the middle of a rainstorm while wallowing in mud and horse filth. Only someone who has been on a backpacking trip can tell you the joy of toilet paper, vasoline and warm water.

Warning! On any backpack-

every emotion in one day and that I am very un-tough. I had to reach down somewhere and pull out strength which I did not know I had. Looking back, I can honestly say that all that hard work and pain was more than worth the trip. I cannot wait to go back.

When I backpack, I have the most indescribable feelings. Out in the forest, far beyond electronics, schedules and life, I am able to connect with God, self and nature. Praying comes naturally, and the time alone is valuable. As I step off at the trail's end there is a twinkle in my eyes and an enormous load off my back as I throw off my pack and run around (even though everyone around may be holding their noses) yelling at the top of my lungs.

When backpacking, one should always follow the proper precautions such as hanging the food up at night, drinking lots of filtered water and wearing comfortable boots. Here are some tips from my own experiences: never take prunes on the trip for snacks (they don't help the toilet paper situation), bring deodorant and extra hot chocolate (they are worth their weight in gold), zip-lock all your clothing (especially in Washington, where it rains all the time) and test-try all your bug repellent before you go (you don't want to find out the wrong way



Capturing the view of the summit of Mt. Eleanor in the Olympic Peninsula, Washington

ing trips, you will discover what you are made of. I learned as I crossed the glacier, over avalanches, down steep mountain sides, holding onto fallen tree branches, that you can feel almost

that it doesn't work on some bugs). Finally, know that waterproof shoes only repel the water as long as it doesn't come in the top.

Twin Brothers' would definitely be worth your time

by Kristin
Cover Story

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give hints for the perfect (yet cheap) experience

Long Beach, WA

by Kristina Roth
Cover Story Writer

So you're looking for a great (and relatively cheap) summer getaway? The Washington coast offers a wonderful place to relax and have a good time. It may not be ninety-degree weather and all fun in the sun, but Long Beach, WA is a pretty amusing place to visit for a few days. From the town of Long Beach, one can walk onto what is designated as the world's longest unobstructed beach in the world. Imagine taking the perfect date out on this beach for a midnight stroll. I'm sure the twenty-one miles of beach would be ample time for you to get to know each other. All of this beach is a great place for flying kites, building sand castles, and, if you're brave enough and not afraid to die of hypothermia, swimming in the ocean. If you're



A scenic view of an ideal beach, but not Longbeach, Washington

looking for a little more adventure, the beach is accessible by car; just don't let the authorities catch you doing those cookies in the sand.

The town of Long Beach offers some fun activities, too. Every Labor Day weekend, Long Beach hosts a huge Hot Rod show that the whole town and

car lovers from all over the Pacific Northwest come out to participate in. The go-carts and bumper boats in Long Beach always have quite a bit of business, as does the Fun Center with carnival rides, an arcade center and a shooting gallery. There are many little stores that line the main street where you

can get some of the best and biggest ice cream cones. There are two main attractions you definitely do not want to miss if you are in Long Beach. Since it sits next to the world's longest beach, the town hosts the world's largest frying pan. If you walk along the main drag, I am sure you'll catch a glimpse of it. Apparently the town uses it to fry the world's largest clams when they come in.

By far, Long Beach's greatest attraction is "Jake the Alligator Man". He resides at Marsh's Free Museum where he sits in a glass cage and peers out at his audience. He's a bit gruesome to look at: he's composed of a man's shrunken head fused with a mummified alligator corpse, but he has a great history that I'm convinced is absolutely true. You'll have to visit, though, to find out more about him. Also at Marsh's Free Museum you will find a Siamese calf and many interesting trinkets to purchase.

If you're looking for an inexpensive place to stay while visiting Long Beach, Fort Canby State Park offers some nice campsites for a reasonable price. Many of the campsites offer quick and easy access to the beach and most are surrounded by trees and hidden trails. It was here that I got my first taste of snipe hunting. If you've never tried it you certainly need to find someone who has and ask them to take you out for a snipe hunt sometime. At each end of the park is a lighthouse that can be reached either by car or a good hike, and Fort Canby lies right next to a huge man-made jetty that makes for a perfect spot from which to fish. Every night can be ended with a campfire back at the site.

If you're sitting at home this summer, wishing for a little fun take a trip to Long Beach, WA, soak in the sun (or the rain) on the beach, and stop by and say hi to Jake.

Everything you might possibly need to know and use for the perfect dream vacation

by David Stillman
Cover Story Writer

You've decided to go on a trip. You have to decide what to bring. Ordinarily, this would not be much of a problem, but you're leaving in five minutes. What should you pack?

Standard operating procedure states that the first thing that should go in your little bag of goodies is underwear, followed by deodorant and toothpaste. However, using this priority scheme, you could forget some very important items. The most important thing you need to bring is somebody else's car. The proper definition of "somebody else's car" is "not yours". If you don't have a car, this task will be significantly easier.

If you are unlucky enough to have a four-wheeled behemoth, then you'll have to do some quick thinking. You'll also need a backup plan, in case someone notices that your car won't start because you've unhooked the battery cables. You should prepare for this by setting all your radio presets to Country stations and then freezing them in place. No one

will want to take your car anywhere after that.

When I have to pack quickly, the first thing I grab is a map of Kuna. Why, do you ask? Say somebody is "encouraging" you to stop and ask directions. Now, without a map of Kuna, you would be forced to acquiesce, and stop at the nearest gas station and crawl up to the service counter with your sense of self worth in tatters. However, if you do happen to have the map, you can just say, "Don't worry about getting lost. There's a map in the glove compartment." If worse comes to worse, and you do have to pull out the map you're still OK. "Of course we're not lost" you can say. "According to this map, we're in Kuna".

Now, assuming that you are low on cash, you should remember to pack food that can double as sporting equipment. You can play baseball with an average sized orange for hours, and it will still be edible when you're finished if you're careful. You can use slices of bread as bases. If you don't feel like eating the bread, you can feed it to some ducks. Once you have lured the ducks into your camp, you can bean them with the oranges and dine like kings.

Spam is another food item which should not be left behind. Its usefulness goes far beyond orange duck a la spam. You can

also make spam-wiches, spam soup, or spam burritos. Even more important than the spam itself is the can it comes in. If you have enough of these cans, you can build little spam shelters every night and save hundreds on hotel bills.

I know what you're thinking. "How am I supposed to find a map of Kuna, oranges, bread, and Spam in five minutes? It takes me an hour to find my toothbrush in the morning." I wondered this, too, so I decided to take the "Five Minute Drill". This involved running around my room with a little bag and stuffing it full of anything I could find that would come in handy on a trip. When I was finished, my bag contained a toothbrush, a whoopee cushion, three toothpicks, and a banana. If I had gone on a trip with these items, I would have been in a heap of trouble. The fact that I'd look ridiculous playing baseball with a banana is just the tip of the iceberg.

Some people would advocate creating a "trip box" that contains these important items and putting it someplace very important. Then you would know where to find everything you need. Unfortunately, this also allows you to lose all of your important trip items at once. Some of you might be thinking about storing these things in your car, so you will always have them on the road.

However, you're forgetting that you're going to take SOMEBODY ELSE'S CAR! Instead, you need to purchase at least 50 maps of Kuna and hide them in the glove boxes of all your friends' cars (You never know whose car you're going to take). Every time you take a ride in such a car, you need to hide a can of spam and several oranges in your clothes and chuck them under the seat when nobody's looking.

Now that we've listed some important basic items, we can move on to the accessories. For instance, if you're going to be pulling a lot of all-nighters on the road, you might want to bring a boa constrictor along for the ride. A boa's gentle squeeze has kept me awake in the car on many occasions. If you can't find a boa constrictor, you might think about substituting a two year old child. Some other important items are listed below.

Flowers: Bring these so you'll have something to wear in your hair if you go to San Francisco.

A nail file: This handy tool has been used by MacGyver to get out of many sticky situations. It can also be used

to give your nails a healthy sheen.

A dollar's worth of gas: This could save you if you run out of gas on the road. You can keep it in a special covered thimble in your glove compartment.

A Bible: If you aren't tall enough to see through the windshield when you drive, you'll need something to boost you up.

Now you're ready for that big road trip. Happy driving!



Baseball ends season with win

by Craig Craker
Crusader Sports Editor

Monmouth, OR - The NNU baseball team closed the weekend out with a win Saturday night after beating Western Oregon 9-2.

After losing the first two games of the series, NNU got seven strong innings from Senior Justin Schneidt (1-8), who scattered six hits while collecting his first win of the season.

Barry Warren led off the third inning with a single and Dan Benedick drove him in with a triple. Joel Wolfe added a two-run single to give NNU a 5-0 lead after three.

Barry Warren started a two-run fourth with a single, and after two errors by Western, NNU had a 7-0 lead after four innings. Barry Warren singled in the sixth and scored, on a double play. The Crusaders final run came in the seventh with Brendan Smith doubled and scored on an error.

Schneidt allowed six hits, one earned run while striking out two and walking two over seven innings. Only one of NNU's nine runs was earned.

In the first game on Saturday NNU garnered a 3-0 lead. Ruben Burciaga and Benji Warren

opened the game with singles. Zack Deboi was safe on an error and Burciaga scored.

Warren and Deboi pulled a double steal and both scored on an error, with Benedick getting credit for one RBI.

Western Oregon battled back, scoring runs in the first, second and fifth off of starter Benji Warren.

The Crusaders left eight on base, including one in each of the first four innings, and two in the eight after Benedick and Smith opened with singles. Two strike outs and a fly out ended that threat.

Western's Andy Ortmyer led off the 10th inning with a walk-off home run off of reliever Neil Elder (2-7).

In Friday night's game NNU battled back from a four-run deficit to tie the game up before the decisive sixth inning.

Ortmyer had three hits including a home run as Western Oregon's first four batters reached base and scored, giving Western a 4-0 lead.

NNU scored in the third on a sacrifice fly by Zack Deboi after a single by Ruben Burciaga and a double by Benji Warren.

NNU cut the lead to 4-2 in

the fourth when Matt Davis doubled and C.J. Mylander singled him in.

In the fifth, a single by Benedick, an RBI double by Brendan Smith and a single by Schneidt tied the score.

In the bottom of the sixth, Ortmyer hit a two-run shot as Western Oregon scored four runs to make it 8-4 and cap off the scoring.

Four of Western Oregon's runs were unearned as Zack Deboi went the distance and took the loss.

NNU ends the season with a 12-34 record overall, 9-21 in conference.

Game Box Scores

Friday Night

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Deboi and Benji Warren; Bentley, McCarger (6) and Edwards. WP - McCarger 4-3. LP - Deboi 4-8.

2B - NNU, Benji Warren (5), Benedick (13), Davis (6), Smith (7); WOU, Haven, Towne HR - WOU, Ortmyer (10)

Hits - NNU, Burciaga 1-5, Benji Warren 1-5, Deboi 1-4, Benedick 2-3, Smith 1-3, Davis 1-3, Schneidt 1-3, C.J. Mylander 1-3

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Time Out

with

Megan Selby

Come and hear Megan tell wild tales about New Dorm. As she relates her experiences of being an R.A. and the mental anguish of having to live with Freshman girls for a full year. Come to Time Out and get chapel credit so you don't have to pay money at the end of the year. It may be on the **Soccer Field** depending on the weather, talk to Eric Manley on Wednesday to find out. If it is not outside it will be in the **Science Lecture Hall**. See ya there at 9:00 pm.

Track places fourth in meet

by Craig Craker
Crusader Sports Editor

Ashland, OR - James Thomas Jr. was a double winner this past weekend in the Cascade Conference Track and Field matches.

NNU captured four other first places as well. Host Southern Oregon won both men's and women's titles and NNU's teams both placed fourth.

Thomas won the high jump (6-7) and triple jump (44-3) and qualified provisionally for the NAIA National Meet in the javelin (184-8 1/2), finishing third.

Other NNU winners were Aaron Matthias, Mary Glaze, Heather Esposito, and the women's 4x400 relay team.

Matthias won the 1,500 (4:02.06), Glaze the 400 hurdles (1:06.59), and Esposito the 400 (59.86). Members of the winning relay team (4:10.06) were Lindsay Glaze, Bethany Dwello, Esposito, and Mary Glaze.

Nicole Leatherbury finished eighth in the pole vault (8-6) and set a university record, breaking the mark of 8-1/2 set by Lisa Erickson.

Nathan Cummings was sec-

ond in the javelin (190-7) and qualified for the NAIA Meet.

Team Scores - Women - Southern Oregon 182, Oregon Tech 154, Eastern Oregon 130, NNU 98, Northwest 50.

Men - Southern Oregon 164, Oregon Tech 140 1/2, Eastern Oregon 136 1/2, NNU 105, Northwest 48, Cascade 16.

NNU Women's Results

Hammer - 4. Kristina Romero, 138-4. 6. Maryann McDonald 129-6.

Javelin - 8. Heather Doncaster 98-8.

Discus - 4. McDonald 125-0.

Shot Put - 2. McDonald 40-2. 7. Romero 36-1. 14. Doncaster 31-8.

Long Jump - 6. Mary Glaze 15-5. 7. Lindsay Glaze 14-11.

Triple Jump - 8. Bethany Dwello 29-5.

High Jump - Mary Glaze 4-11. 6. Nicole Leatherbury 4-7.

Pole Vault - 8. Leatherbury 8-6. 9. Amanda Kirk 7-6.

4x100 - 3. NNU 52:46.

3000 - 8. Lisseth Lorelli-Qualls 11:35.62. 9. Jana Harris 12:00.10.

400 - 1. Heather Esposito 59:86. Dwello 1:03.06.

100 High Hurdles - 3. Lindsay Glaze 16.50. 4. Mary Glaze 17.70.

100 - 4. Esposito 13.43. 6. Lindsay Glaze 28.51.

1500 - 6. Mindy Meier 5:25.87. 7. Erica Madison 5:29.22.

200 - 3. Esposito 27.09. 7. Lindsay Glaze 28.51.

800 - 13. Lindsay Northfield 2:38.23. 15. Meier 2:42.30.

400 low hurdles - 1. Mary Glaze 1:06.59. 5. Natasha Anderson 1:12.60.

5000 - 5. Lorelli-Qualls 20:03.91. 9. Madison 20:48.43.

4x400 - 1. NNU (Dwello, Esposito, Mary Glaze, Lindsay Glaze) 4:10.06.

NNU Men's Results

Hammer - 7. Jason Scrivner 112-8

Javelin - 2. Nathan Cummings 190-7. 3. James Thomas Jr. 184-8 1/2

Long Jump - 8. Anthony Gould 19-8 1/2. 9. Jimmy Bennum 18-6

Triple Jump - 1. Thomas 44-3. 7. Jeremy Crowfoot 36-3.

High Jump - 1. Thomas 6-7. 2. Scrivner 6-3. 8. Crowfoot 5-7.

Pole Vault - 4. Josh Fishburne 13-11. 5. Gould 13-3

4x100 - 2. NNU, 44.80.

3000 Steeplechase - 2. Ian Manyfingers 10:01.59. 5. Brice Roncace 10:36.68.

400 - 4. Douzi Nguerdjeoubel 51.52. 5. Bennum 52.67. 7. Greg Duley 53.21.

110 High Hurdles - 9. Aaron Capen 20.46.

100 - 6. Fishburne 11.65. 7. Dem Hechanova 11.80.

1500 - 1. Aaron Matthias 4:02.06. 7. Ben Wornell 4:15.71.

200 - 6. Bennum 23.46.

800 - 4. Nguerdjeoubel 1:54.34. 10. Wornell 2:00.98.

400 - 6. Capen 1:00.91. 7. Duley 1:12.30.

5000 - 4. Matthias 15:47.95. 6. Manyfingers 16:15.00. 10. Roncace 17:26.03

4x400 - 4. NNU, 3:36.23.

Go Figure

1 Number of Sun Chips that Matt Warner ate off of the floor during Shakespeare class today.

2 Number of game winning home runs that Ken Griffey Jr. hit this week against the St. Louis Cardinals.

11 Consecutive losses by Bob Lowe in Ken Griffey Jr. Baseball for Nintendo 64.

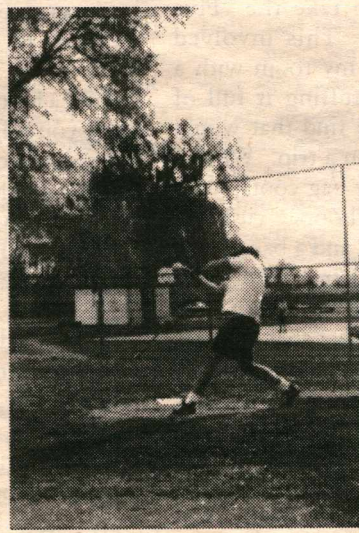
18 Days till we blow this joint.

40 Number of points scored by both Jalen Rose and Reggie Miller this past Saturday against the 76ers.

20-9 The New York Yankees record.

500 Number of high schoolers who will grace our campus with their presence this weekend for RAD.

R. I. P. Paul Francis Resler October 22, 1978 - May 1, 2000.



A student lines a shot this past weekend in Intramural Softball

What is it with Vince Carter?

by Craig Craker
Crusader Sports Editor

With Vince Carter and Company out of the playoffs, a lot of people have expressed sadness. Personally, I'm glad.

Why does everyone think that Carter is the best thing in the world? Since winning the NBA's Slam Dunk Competition, people have been jumping on his bandwagon quicker than I can say Yankees win again.

With the Dunk title under his belt and a couple of game winning shots in the second half of the season, the NBA and NBC are ready to crown him as the game's best player.

But as I discovered one Saturday evening, this view is not held to by just the national me-

dia, but also by some students in my very own dorm.

I was watching Game Two between the New York Knicks and the Toronto Raptors and was accosted for cheering for Latrell

Sprewell and Company.

As Sprewell put in basket after basket and I began to cheer louder and louder, a group of people asked, "How can you root

against Vince Carter?"

I mulled over my response and then simply said, "I hate Vince Carter." I was greeted with a raucous response as people shouted at me, "What? That's blasphemy." "You obviously don't know anything about sports." and "Why do you hate him? How could you hate him?"

I responded that I simply do

not think that he is as good as everyone claims. To that I was greeted with the line that every Carter hater looks for, "But he can dunk like no one else."

Ooooh. Hey, I like dunking just as much as the next guy, but since when does dunking make someone the best player in the NBA?

Heck, just because Dee Brown won a dunk contest, does that mean he should be taking a game-winning shot? Oh, wait a minute. He did.

Vince Carter wowed us with his dunking ability. He wowed us with a couple of game winning shots, but when it comes down to it, I can think of six guys I would rather have on my team than Vince Carter. Shaquille O'neal, Gary Payton, Allen Iverson, Chris Webber, Kevin Garnett, Tim Duncan and Grant Hill.

All in all, feel free to like Vince because he can dunk, but stop trying to say he should be MVP and that we should crown him the next Jordan.

A group of people asked "How can you root against Vince Carter?" I responded "I hate Vince Carter."

Women's Tennis ends with win

by Liz Archung
Crusader Sports Writer

As the women's tennis team season comes to a close, each member can't help but look back on the year with pride, fun-filled memories and most of all, a sense of accomplishment.

Last weekend, May 28-30, the girls traveled to Lewiston, Idaho to compete in the NAIA Region 1 Tennis Championships.

All the matches, long practices and hard work came down to the final match. The 'Saders ended up placing fifth in the Tournament and, in doing so, defeating Albertson College of Idaho for the third time this year. Overall, it was a weekend of success, ending with a victory for NNU.

Lewis and Clark State College hosted the Tournament and, along with NNU, competed against five other teams, including the University of Alberta, The Evergreen State College, Seattle University, ACI and Southern Oregon University.

LCSC ended up taking first place overall. The 'Saders placed fifth after playing two matches, one against Alberta and the other against ACI.

The first team the ladies went up against was the University of Alberta. Each member fought hard to win the match but came out a little short, losing 4-7 overall.

Keri Barnes played doubles in the number four seed with Liz Archung. After winning their match with a score of 8-4, Barnes had only one thing to say, "I can't believe we let them get four games." Barnes is known on the courts for her competitive-

ness and sensational skills when it comes to lobbing.

There may not have been a victory for the 'Saders on Friday, but they didn't get discouraged and came back strong on Saturday.

Playing underneath the warm, sunny weather, the ongoing rival schools ACI and NNU battled it out for fifth place in the tournament.

ACI gave it their best shot, but NNU fought harder and ended up beating the 'Yotes 6-3. It was a tough loss for ACI and an extreme sense of accomplishment for NNU.

The two seniors on the team, Kristen Crawford and Sara Hamilton, both ended their seasons by winning twice against ACI.

Playing in the number one seed for singles, Crawford went 6-4, 6-4. In doubles, playing in the number one seed along with Brandi Blacklock, they defeated ACI with a score of 9-8.

Hamilton played a tough singles match, ending up with a score of 6-2, 6-3, and also defeated the number two ACI doubles players 8-3 with Beth Nixon.

It was an excellent match to end on for both of these phenomenal players.

The team is saying good-bye to not only their co-captains for this year, but also two talented, incredibly special people.

Looking back over the season, Coach Carey Cook can't help but be extremely proud of his team. They finished with a 7-14 record and won seven of their last 11 matches.

Overall, it was a successful year and the team sends out their thanks for all the support at matches.

Game Box Scores Continued

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Benji Warren, Elder (7) and Fisher; Skinner, Woodard (5), Gits (7) and Oswald, Edwards (5). WP - Gits 3-0. LP - Elder 2-7. LOB - NNU 8, WOU 8. DP - WOU 2. SB - NNU, Benji Warren (1), Deboi (8), Fisher (3); WOU, Price (33), Suyama (12). Hits - NNU, Burciaga 1-4, Benji Warren 2-4, Benedick 1-5, Smith 1-5, Fisher 1-4, Barry Warren 2-4; WOU, Price 2-3, Gardinier 1-1, Towne 1-4, Ortmayer 2-4, Nelson 1-4, Bailie 1-4, Edwards 1-2.
RBI - NNU, Deboi, Benedick; WOU, Price, Towne, Ortmayer (22).
2B - NNU, Barry Warren (5).
3B - WOU, Price (2).
HR - WOU, Towne (1), Ortmayer (11)

Saturday's Second Game
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Schneidt and Fisher; Chapman, Roberti (5), Rozewski (7), and Edwards. WP - Schneidt 1-8. LP - Chapman 2-5. LOB - NNU 6, WOU 5. DP - NNU 2, WOU 2. SB - NNU, Burciaga (13); WOU, Price (34). Hits - NNU, Burciaga 2-4, Benedick 2-4, Smith 1-3, Davis 1-3, Schneidt 1-3, Wolfe 1-3, Barry Warren 3-4; WOU, Bailie 1-3, Nelson 1-3, Collins 1-2, Gardinier 2-3, Edwards 1-3.

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Men's Tennis ends on high point

by Craig Craker
Crusader Sports Editor

Lewiston, ID - Giving up points in only one set, Northwest Nazarene University ended the tennis season by defeating The Evergreen State College 9-0 this past Saturday in the NAIA Region 1 men's tennis tournament.

Host and top-seeded Lewis-Clark State College defeated Albertson College of Idaho 9-0 to win the championship.

NNU finishes the season with a 6-8 record.

Freshman Andy Kerr won number one singles 6-0, 6-4. The Crusaders recieved two wins by default.

On Friday NNU was dominated 9-0 by fourth seed Seattle University.

The closest match for NNU was when Nathan Vanderpool fell 5-7, 4-6.

Kerr played the second closest singles match as he lost 2-6, 1-6.

In doubles Watson and Vanderpool fell 8-5, as did Kerr and Randy Seals. Dement and Skeen lost 8-2.

Great Expectations: a Freshman's perspective

by Kristen Hyatt

Crusader Staff Opinions Writer

Coming to NNU as a freshman, what were your expectations? When I came at the beginning of this year, everyone told me that it would be a non-stop church camp experience! And in fact, it has been many times! From late night talks in the dorms with other fellow "lodgers", to meeting tons of new people from all over, to interesting food experiences in the cafeteria, to awesome chapel times full of worship, and to those crazy pranks that people try and get away with. Yes, life as a freshman in college is very eventful and exciting.

It was also pretty exciting to finally arrive here with my family and boyfriend after six long hours of driving, but at the same time, quite nerve-racking because I had never even been to this campus before. Although a little uncertain about coming to a new place with all new people, I slowly settled in. The happy, smiling faces of the RA's and PC's who helped me move in with what they said was "more stuff than they had ever seen before" helped me relax a little bit.

As I said before, life as a freshman can be very exciting, but it can also be full of heartache and homesickness. All was well until I had to say my good-byes. I don't know about you, but that was really hard for me to do. I knew that with God's help I could make it, but I was so used to always having those who I loved and needed around me. Now they weren't going to be just a room or a couple of blocks away. Over 300 miles would separate us now, and that scared me. What would I do if I had a bad day or

friends from back home, who I could talk to about being homesick and who understood me. Although I could talk to her, other times I just didn't know what to do with myself. I found myself closing up to the new world around me. I had changed, and I didn't like who I was anymore. I was no longer my happy-go-lucky, outgoing self. Things were not good at all. At one point, I thought I had hit rock bottom and all I could do was pray to go up from there. Things just had to get better because they had never

seemed so bad. And you know what? Things did get better! It took lots of prayer, effort, and encouragement from many people, including my new family

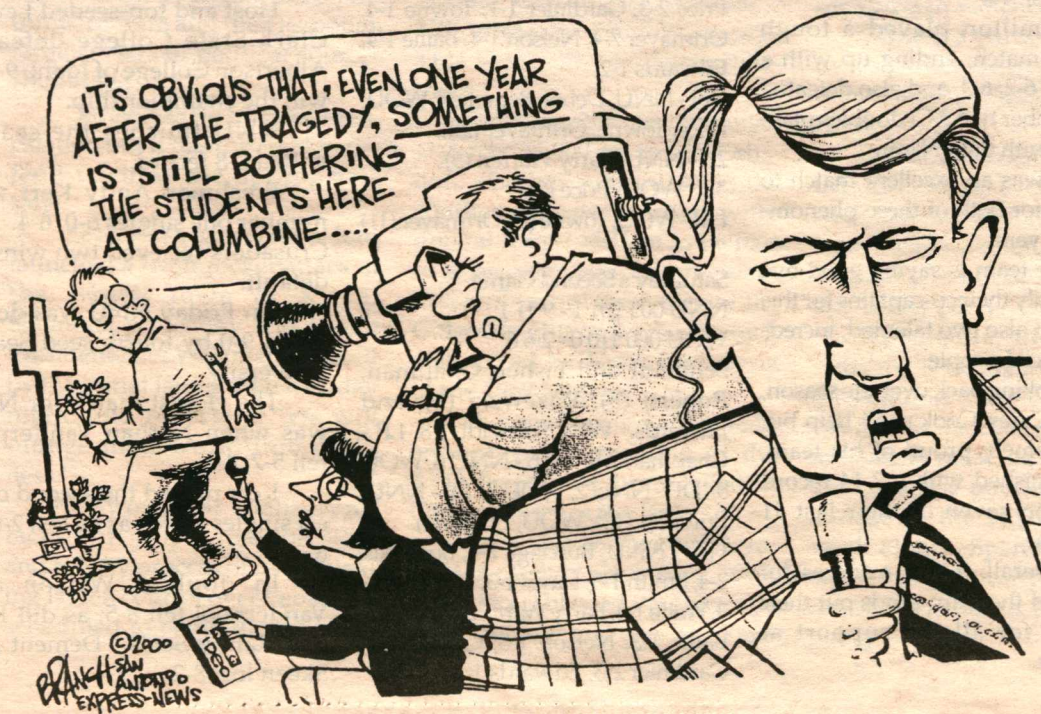
of wingmates. Through their loving support, I came out of what I can most definitely say was one of the hardest times of my life. Because of them and God's faithfulness, I am once again the Kristen that I have always known.

Looking back to September, I thought that May would never come. But now it's here. Can you believe it?! This past year has been full of excitement, tears, laughter, sadness, joy, and uncer-

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needed some help or advice? I didn't have my mom's shoulder to cry on anymore. And who could I really talk to about those deep things that are in my heart? My boyfriend and best friends weren't just a couple blocks away anymore. Again, I knew that Jesus would always be there for me, but at the same time I wanted the people who I knew and felt comfortable with to be there, too.

It was a blessing, however, to be rooming with one of my best



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tainty, and I will never forget how meaningful it has been. Through it all, I have grown up and matured so much. I can truly see the hand of God guiding me and many times carrying me through my unforgettable freshman year. I don't know exactly how many people can identify with my story, but I know that we can all say that this has been a big year for us, full of change, and has added a tremendously meaningful chapter in each of our lives.

As this year comes to a close and there's only a couple weeks left of school, take a moment and look back at this year. Think about all the new friendships you have be-

gun, the classes you made it through, that first person that caught your eye, the homesickness you had, and the new home you've now made at NNU, and last but not least, God. Think about how He has brought you through to the end of this year, and thank Him. He has been more than Lord and Savior to me this year, but my Helper and Friend. So being a freshman, were all your expectations met? If all your expectations weren't met, that's ok. Because you *can* always expect God to be there for you, no matter what, and you can always expect Him to pull you through.

Culture Stock

"Seek not to discover what disease the person has, but what person the disease has."

-Unknown

Happy are the "pushers": for they get on in the world.
Happy are the hard-boiled: for they never let life hurt them.
Happy are they who complain: for they get their own way in the end.
Happy are the blasé: for they never worry over their sins.
Happy are the slave-drivers: for they get results.
Happy are the knowledgeable men of the world: for they know their way around.
Happy are the trouble-makers: for they make people take notice of them.

-J. B. Phillips

"You see, really and truly...the difference between a lady and a flower girl is not how she behaves but how she is treated. I shall always be a flower girl to Professor Higgins, because he always treats me as a flower girl...but I know I can be a lady to you because you treat me as a lady."

-Eliza Doolittle in *Pygmalion* by G. B. Shaw

Wonderful world doesn't exist—yet

by David Nichols
Crusader Staff Opinions Writer

Have you ever heard a song that so vividly described the contents of your mind or heart that you had no choice but to stop and listen to it? For me this happened when I was pretty young.

The first song that ever captivated my mind with thoughts of what should and could be was Louis Armstrong's "What A Wonderful World." I was probably somewhere around the age of 6

or 7 when I was thrown into an imaginary world where everyone was happy and people would always smile at one another and shake hands or hug.

Now, nearly 12 years later, the closest thing I have seen to that imaginary world becoming reality is Bobby Kizer hugging people at random. Why?

Why do people struggle with negativity? Why do people blow up and get angry at the simplest little things? Why is the freshmen guys' dorm plagued with a problem with pornography? I'll tell you one thing for free. It's not because we have a wonderful world. The wonderful and perfect world people dream about exists only in our minds and in our songs. Well, at least some

songs.

This dream of a perfect, "Wonderful World" is what I believe to be the blue print, the master plan, of Heaven. How do we know our resting-place hereafter will be so awesome and indescribable? Because we see how we are living now and can see a better place in our minds.

If you work with children like I do, you see the perfect example of children living in a world that has given up hope. If you can believe it, Nampa has an

inner city, and believe me, it's just as bad as any big city. For the past five months or so, I have been immersing myself twice a week into this inner city only to come out feeling drained and tired and wishing that I could spend more time in it.

A lot of people look to politics saying, "Perhaps George W. Bush holds the answer to a great Christian America." He doesn't. I am hesitant to say it, but I will anyway. I have given up hope in looking for a beautiful "Christian" America. Like many, I have become content to say, "This is our America and we have to work with it."

Unlike many, however, I will not, I refuse to, let this tainted and soiled America keep the

Unlike many...I refuse to let this tainted and soiled America keep the grace of God from flowing through my veins and setting my very soul on fire.

grace of God from flowing through my veins and setting my very soul on fire. The Christian America does not exist. It's a fairy tale, made up to dull our minds to the cold reality that within our Declaration of Independence is the call to service, and if needed, death, to further the property of a giant chunk of land.

Before I get you too depressed, let me show you the good stuff. This America is not without hope. We (Christians) are not bound and gagged in legal mumbo jumbo. We are a free people with rights, and within those rights we are guaranteed our voices and opinions. In this dark and desperate wasteland we call "home" we have been given the most precious of gifts, the Holy Spirit.

If you haven't seen the irony yet, let me lay it out for you. We

have been given an unlimited supply of love in the Holy Spirit, and along with that, we have been placed in a nation where, though they may try, the Holy

what gives you hope to carry on. I have been to the depths of my soul and the beginning of Hell, and nothing, absolutely nothing, carries me like the Blood of Jesus.

Even today I struggle with keeping the faith and staying happy. On the outside, I may look like the most cheerful person you have ever seen, but on the inside, a war rages on for my soul, but I have no fear of the outcome, for I have given it all to Jesus, my Savior.

What a Wonderful World it is that I shall never see. I'll never see this world here on Earth, but I will see it in heaven. I don't

have the power to make up a place so fantastic that I can barely feel it. It's there, though the vision has been planted there by the one who desires that we come and join Him.

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Spirit may not be suppressed.

Don't worry, I'm not trying to call you into special ministries or to be a Pastor or to even talk to a friend about Christ. I just want you to think about our world and

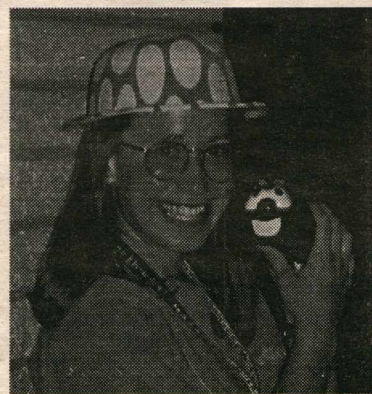


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Your Turn

Random answers from random people on random issues:

What was your favorite cartoon as a child and why?



Jenelle Smith
Princeton, ID
Junior Missions
"Richie Rich!!! The maid was a steamroller and got her ironing done really fast. That really impacted me."



Joel Boschma
Kuna, ID
Sophomore Accounting
"Voltron, because I had the whole set. I'd watch the cartoon and then act it out."



Megan Selby
Marysville, WA
Sophomore Accounting
"I liked Inspector Gadget because it had a RAD theme song!"



Charles Ruppert
Beaverton, OR
Senior Philosophy
"I loved Duck Tales so much that I started talking like Donald Duck. I finally got sent home from school with a note that said, 'No More Duck!'"

Abercrombie is not to blame

by Thom Neale

Crusader Staff Opinions Writer

A recent edition of the Crusader contained an opinion article by Ken Tennyson. In his article Tennyson mourned the fact that we live in an "Abercrombie" generation that is infatuated with materialism. He went on to blame this materialistic greed for the spiritual mediocrity and the ill state of the Christian church in America.

There are a few things that mildly annoy me about the article entitled "NNU students plagued by complacency, mediocrity". The saddest part about this is that there are a million great topics for an opinion article that could have been chosen, i.e. "Why I like Grapefruit" etc. But instead, we have a bunch of gibberish that tries to make some home-cooked issue sound like a national crisis.

Work with me here for a minute. This is NNU, not Michigan Tech, and not Kent.

People do not get shot here; there are never protests, bra-burnings or hunger strikes. If there were, due to the sheer size of the school there would probably be a much stronger Darwin effect that would keep an opinion topic like this from ever bubbling to the surface.

Lets just review a few things I hope we can all agree are true, in lieu of the arguments presented in the article:

Number one: one person drawn randomly from the population of students at NNU can be representative of the state of the Christian church in America—provided that person is flagrantly materialistic, wears Abercrombie clothes, and pretends to be a Christian while sinning with no sense of shame.

Oops! That statement doesn't make very much sense does it now! In fact it is totally vacant of any kind of logic. What do you think would happen if you walked up to Tennyson's little random sample and asked

him if he saw himself as the ideal Christian? He would probably say something to you that even the uncensored Crusader would rather not print.

In any case the argument is still weak. If one made a habit of bothering to pick up his/her Bible and read basically any randomly picked parable, he/she would understand that there have been droves of religious hypocrites since the beginning of recorded time. These issues are dealt with in the Bible, so why get our panties into a bunch? Besides, what should the rich, Abercrombie clad students do? Sell all their material possessions and become wandering mendicants? Then the residents of Nampa would re-

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ally have a reason to think highly of NNU.

People are here to get an education; they are not here to make themselves examples of personal sacrifice by

walking around campus dressed in burlap bags. Perhaps we should all enact the discussed values of "personal sacrifice" and compassion for the "impoverished tenants of the trailer park next door" by going to community college next year and donating the extra fifteen grand that would have been squandered coming to NNU.

If it's a difficult concept for anyone that we live in a capitalist society, then I suggest that it be puzzled over in an appropriate forum, i.e. in your own head... Tennyson states that he is "sick and tired of the open displays of sin on our campus," he continues to discuss how Christianity is supposed to be "holistic and communal." Well you know what? I am tired people making statements that they are utterly unable to substantiate.

Tennyson describes complacency as Christianity's biggest challenge. However, I am afraid the complacency may very well be Tennyson's biggest challenge.

Humor & imagination flow in The Nonexistent King

How 'bout a story? A story where the main character doesn't exist? The comic relief believes himself to be a duck. The King

has been in so many wars that he can't remember which one is currently taking place, or what exactly has taken place in the past battles.

The romantic lover is madly in love with an Amazon woman, who in turn is in love with the aforementioned nonexistent main character. A youth travels on the extensive

search for his various fathers of the Knights of the Holy Grail. And all is being told through the eyes of a nun who doesn't really even want to write in the first place, even though she feels quite passionately about the story, but would rather be frolicking with the people she can see from the high window of her cell in a convent.

The story takes place during the time of King Charlemagne as France is battling with the Godless Moors in the name of Christianity. The main character, Agilulf (his full knightly title being Agilulf Emo Bertrandin of the Guildivern and of the Others of Corbentraz and Sura, Knight of Selimpia Citeriore and Fez), is the knight who exists without existing.

This model warrior, perfect in every way but disliked by most of his own knighted peers, is sim-

ply a walking, talking shell of white armor that exists by his own sheer will. He is perfect in action and in dress, neither sleep-

ing nor eating, and devotes all of his time to his appointed duties and creating geometric shapes with the food that he doesn't eat. He is consumed by his main task to become the perfect knight and to prove once and for all the validity of his knighthood.

As the story unfolds, Agilulf is accompanied by a squire named

Gurduloo. Or Gudi Ussuf. Or Ben-Va-Ussuf. Or Omobon. No one really knows what to call Gurduloo because he thinks he is everything that comes across his

path, inanimate or not. He exists, but he doesn't know he exists. He believes he is the soup that he eats, the water he swims in, or the King that he meets, thus making the stale knight and himself the perfect pair.

The story also contains a woman warrior named Bradamante who becomes in-

trigued by the perfection of the nonexistent knight. Raimbaut, a youth who joined the French to avenge the death of his father, falls head over heels in love with Bradamante, but she could care less about his affections.

Torrismund is a fellow knight who puts his own knighthood in jeopardy by bringing to light the possibility that Agilulf's knighthood is not genuine. And the narrator nun, Sister Theodora, tells all, but sometimes babbles on about her own tangents and thoughts as the enchanting story develops.

Sometimes Sister Theodora doesn't know how parts of the story went, so she just makes up those unknown sections when she comes to them, basing them upon how she believes they may have occurred.

I believe this story to be cunning and quick-witted, filled with certain unexpected twists and turns that cause the reader to want to turn the next page a little faster. A short read that would

The King has been in so many wars that he can't remember which one is currently taking place, or what exactly has taken place in the past.

take no more than an afternoon, The Nonexistent Knight proves itself to be worth the time.

Italo Calvino has created a story unlike any others with unique and genuine

originality, filling it with refreshing and enjoyable characters and descriptions that produce a beautifully painted picture to fill the mind's canvas.

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What did the lone ranger really say?

Here in the newspaper business (Motto: "Eventually, We WILL Find Your Driveway") we have a strict rule: We don't print ANYTHING unless we know it's true.

Except for the horoscope, of course. No offense, but if you take the horoscope seriously, your frontal lobes are the size of Raisinets. Also some of the comics are not 100 percent accurate. For example, in real life, Garfield walks on four legs. He's a CAT, for gosh sakes!

Also, to be honest, many of us who work at newspapers don't hold the opinions that our newspapers express in the editorials. Some of us don't even know where these opinions come from. They just mysteriously appear, like Batman. But basically we try to be accurate. When we're writing our stories, we don't guess about facts. If we have ANY question, we thoroughly check the fact out by taking a poll of the journalists sitting around us in the newsroom.

For example, if we need the name of the U.S. secretary of state, we yell, "Anybody know the name of the U.S. secretary of state?" Then we lis-

ten to the various opinions of our cubicle neighbors. Only when we have carefully weighed their views do we proceed with writing the story ("The U.S. secretary of state, a short little lady possibly named Marge, said today that ...").

Yes, we have high standards for accuracy. That's why — despite all these new-fangled inventions such as the Internet, TV, the telegraph, etc. — surveys show that newspapers remain the most trusted source of news for consumers in the coveted demo-

"If we have ANY question, we thoroughly check the fact out by taking a poll of the journalists sitting around us in the newsroom."

graphic of People Who Are Dead Or Older.

And that is why today I am deeply concerned about a letter I received from a concerned reader named Lloyd Peyton, who believes that I made a mistake in a column I wrote last year about my living room being infested by frogs. In this column, I

Dave Barry

Syndicated humor columnist



quoted the Lone Ranger as saying: "Hi-ho, Silver, away!" According to Mr.

Peyton, this is incorrect. He contends that the Lone Ranger said, quote, "Hi-yo, Silver, away!" — in other words, a "yo" instead of a "ho."

Mr. Peyton says that having the Lone Ranger say "Hi-ho" is like having Santa Claus go "Yo! Yo! Yo!"

This really stunned me, because I grew up watching the Lone Ranger, and I always believed that he said "Hi-ho." I never questioned this. What I DID question was how come he thought that putting on a little black mask would protect his Secret Identity. I mean, if you put on one of those masks, I guarantee you everybody will still know who you are. (You are a dork wearing a mask.)

I had the same problem with Superman, who put on a pair of ordinary eyeglasses, and suddenly all the other characters thought he was a

completely different person. (I bet they were BIG horoscope fans.)

Anyway, to settle the issue of "Hi-ho" vs. "Hi-yo," I contacted William Safire, who is the world's highest-ranking English-language authority who is willing to take my calls. He did not hesitate for a second. "Hi-yo," he said.

Next, I checked with various professional newspaper editors, most of whom were certain, without even consulting their cubicle neighbors, that the Lone Ranger shouted "Heigh-ho." In my dictionary, "Heigh-ho" is defined as "an exclamation of mild surprise, boredom, disappointment, fatigue, greeting, etc." I find it hard to believe that this is the mood that the Lone Ranger wanted to convey to his horse moments after rounding up a passel of varmints.

I also checked with various authors whom I happen to be in a very bad rock band with, including Amy Tan and Ridley Pearson, who both said "Hi-ho." (Amy noted, "In the dubbed version in China, it was "Ai-yo, Shrivah!")

Stephen King said: "Hi-yo. I used it in 'It' (my novel "It," that is) and I'm sure. My brother thought it

was "Hi-Lo Silver, away," but that makes zero sense."

Other responses from friends and relatives included "High ho," "Hiyo," "Ohio" and various versions that I cannot print in the newspaper, because they suggest that the Lone Ranger and Silver had perhaps spent a little too much time together alone together, if you catch my drift.

Anyway, having weighed the evidence, I now believe that I was incorrect, and that the Lone Ranger probably said "Hi-yo, Silver" as he rode off into the sunset with his faithful Indian companion, who, according to my cubicle neighbors, was named Madeleine Albright.

But now I'm wondering: If I was wrong about the Lone Ranger, am I also wrong about what I believe the little boy on "Rin Tin Tin" yelled to call Rin Tin Tin ("Yo, Rinny!")? And what about what I believe was the Secret Yell that the boys on "Lassie" used to signal each other ("Kee-ah-kee!" answered by "Ki-yi-yi-yi!")? Am I wrong about EVERYTHING? If so, all I can say is, I'm in the right business.

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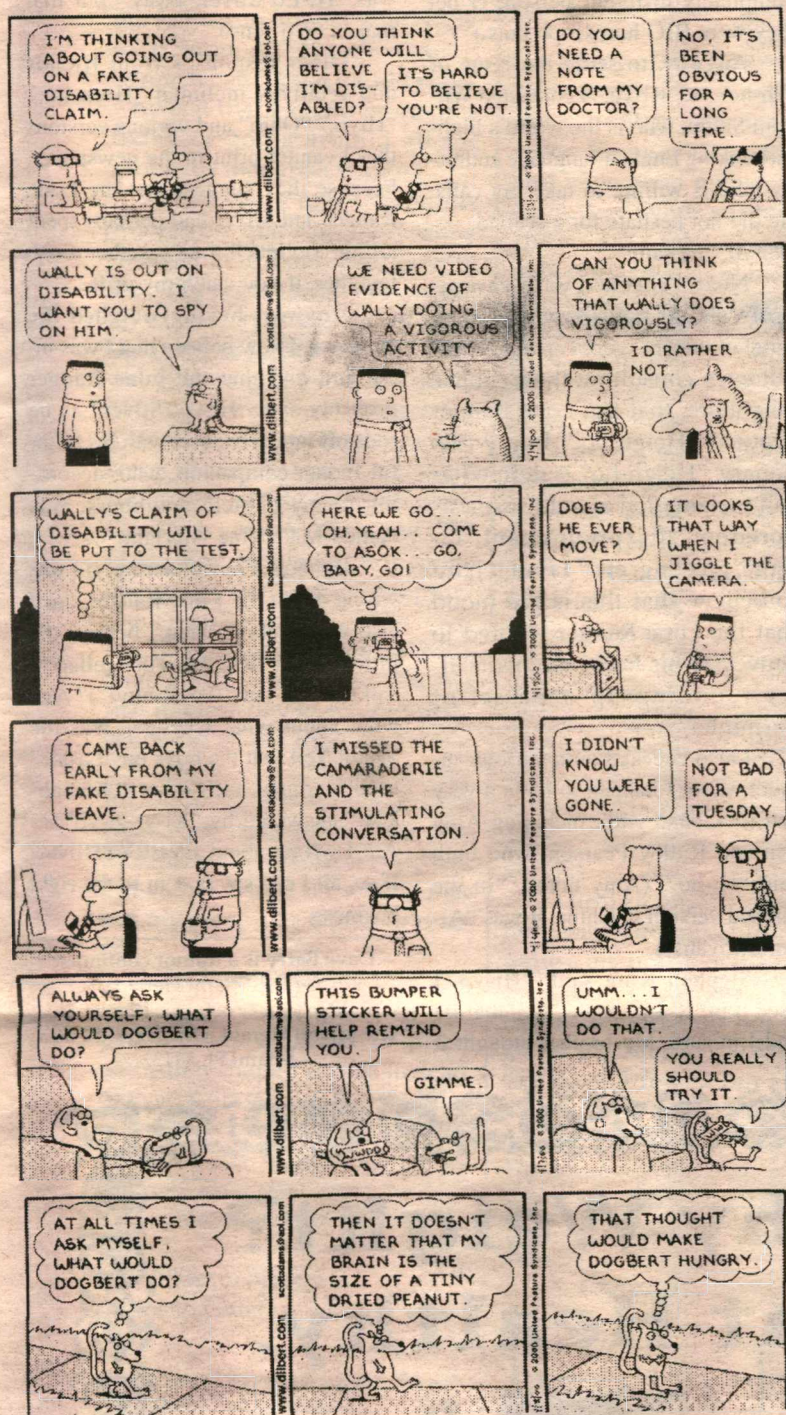
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TOP TEN QUOTES FROM "MONTY PYTHON: THE SEARCH FOR THE HOLY GRAIL"

10. Help! Help! I'm being oppressed!
9. I'm French you silly king! Why do think I have this outrageous accent!
8. Alright, we'll call it a draw.
7. That's no ordinary rabbit!
6. She turned me into a Newt . . . I got better.
5. We are the knights who say "Ni!"
4. Some call me...Tin.
3. I feel happy! I feel happy!
2. I fart in your general direction.
1. Run away! Run away!

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Contact these cinemas for showtime information: The Flicks - 342-4222 Edward's 21 - 377-1700
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Poorly Drawn Man - by David Stillman

Look at a Kily Drawn Woman She's so dreamy



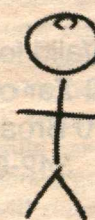
I learned at "My Fair Lady" that you can attract beautiful women by treating them like dirt.



Later... Can you put these seeds in your hair? I want to see if they grow



Still Later... and then she made me eat them.



Maybe you should have given her Chocolates.

