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## Exhausted but ecstatic

It is now 4:30 a.m., and I am sure that only a handful of NNC students are still awake at this hour. It is that annoying time of the night where it is too early in the morning to think of staying up all night, and too late in the night to get any real sleep. I'm sure that every student has experienced this feeling at one time or another in his or her collegiate career.

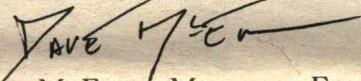
The last of the section editors left about an hour ago, and I am just tying off some loose ends before Jeff Gunstream gets here to do the paste-up.

Still, I am encouraged, even ecstatic at the progress that the 1994-95 Crusader staff has made since its first paper only three weeks ago. Papers are coming off with less errors, editors' sections are running more smoothly each week, and I am beginning to realize that Monday night sleep may not be such an impossibility after all. Eventually.

If the new staff continues to improve at this rate, you, the students of NNC who read the Crusader, are in for a great year of news and entertainment ahead.

Exciting ideas, consistent reporting, new faces, and a few big changes are in store for the Crusader in the fall. If you have any ideas, I would sure love to hear them. Just drop me a line.

I can hardly wait for registration.



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HUMOR

# Dave Barry says, "The consumer is always right."

**Dave Barry**

TODAY'S CONSUMER TOP-IC IS: How to resolve a dispute with a large company.

If you're a typical consumer -- defined as "a consumer whose mail consists mainly of offers for credit cards that he or she already has" -- chances are sooner or later you're going to have a dispute with a large company. You're going to call the company up, and you're going to wind up with people in a department with a friendly name such as "Customer Service." These people hate you.

I don't mean they hate you PERSONALLY. They hate the public in general, because the public is forever calling them up to complain.

I know whereof I speak. I used to be -- I am not proud of this -- a newspaper editor. This was at a paper in West Chester, PA., called -- I am not proud of this, either -- the "Local Daily News." We came out daily, and we specialized in local news.

For example, if Richard M. Nixon resigned the presidency, we'd send reporters out the shopping mall to badger randomly selected shoppers into having an opinion about this, and our big headline would be, LOCAL RESIDENTS REACT TO NIXON RESIGNATION. As though they really were reacting to it, as opposed to trying to find the right color bedsheets. This is basically how we handled all the news. (LOCAL RESIDENTS REACT TO DISCOVERY THAT CLAMS MATE FOR LIFE).

So one spring day I made the editorial decision to put a photograph of some local ducks on the front page. At least I thought they were ducks, and that's what I called them in the caption. But it turns out that they were geese. I know this because a WHOLE lot of irate members of the public called to tell me

so. They never called about, say, the quality of the schools, but they were RABID about the duck vs. goose issue. It was almost as bad as when we left out the horoscope.

I tried explaining to the callers that, hey, basically a goose is just a big duck, but this did not placate them. Some of them demanded that we pub-

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lish a correction (For whom? The geese?), and by the end of the day I was convinced that the public consisted entirely of raging idiots. (This is the underlying assumption of journalism.)

This is what people who answer the phone at, for example, the electric company, go through every day. I don't mean that they get calls about incorrectly captioned goose photographs, although this would not surprise me. I mean that they get an endless stream of calls from people who are furious that their electricity got turned off just because they failed to pay their bill for 297 consecutive months, or people asking questions like is it OK to operate a microwave oven while in the bathtub.

So let's say that you have a genuine problem with your electric bill. The people in "Customer Service" have no way of knowing that you're an intelligent, rational person. They're going to lump you in with the whining non-trocket-scientist public.

As far as they're concerned, the relevant facts, in any dispute between you and them are these:

1. They have a bunch of electricity.
2. You need it.
3. So shut up.

This is why, more and more, the people in "Customer Service" won't

even talk to you. They prefer to let you interface with the convenient Automated Answering System until such time as you die of old age ("... if your FIRST name has more than eight letters and your LAST name begins with an 'H' through 'L' press 251 NOW. If your first name has LESS than eight letters, and your last name contains at least two 'E's, press 252 NOW. If your...")

So is there any way that you, the lowly consumer, can gain the serious attention of a large and powerful business? I am pleased to report that there IS a way that you, which I found out about thanks to alert reader Jim Ganz Jr., who sent me an Associated Press news report from Russia.

According to this report, a Russian electric company got into a billing dispute with a customer and cut off the customer's electricity.

This customer, however, happened to be a Russian army arsenal. So the commander ordered a tank to drive over to the electric company's office and aim its gun at the windows. The electricity was turned back on.

On behalf of consumers everywhere, I want to kiss this arsenal commander on the lips. I mean, what a GREAT concept! Imagine, as a consumer, how much more seriously your complaint would be taken if you were complainin' from within an armored vehicle capable of reducing the entire "Customer Service" department to tiny smoking shards. What I am saying is: Forget the Automated Answering System. Get a tank.

Perhaps you are thinking: "But a tank costs several million dollars, not including floor mats. I don't have that kind of money."

Don't be silly. You're a consumer, right? You have a credit card, right?

Perhaps you are thinking: "Yes, but how am I going to pay the credit-card company?"

Don't be silly. You have a tank, right?

**Dave Barry is a nationally syndicated columnist for the Miami Herald**

## CAMPUS

# Directors choose course of action with future housing

BY JASON ALVIS  
STAFF WRITER

Preparations for cosmetic changes to NNC's campus are underway. However, the changes will not be accessible until the 1995-96 school year.

After considering many alternatives, the directors of student life have finally decided on the best possible solution to a potential housing problem in the near future. With next year's pre-enrollment already at a ten percent increase from this year, some housing changes are expected.

The most recent plan is to build new married student housing on Colorado Street, across from the tennis courts. Development plans allow for twelve apartment complexes, but only six will be built for now, along with laundry facil-

ities and other various necessities. The new buildings will be a "modernized duplicate of the Olsen apartments," acknowledged Dr. Ken Hills, vice-president of student development. There will be four units per building, with standard two bedroom, one bath, living room, and kitchen per unit. Architect for the proposal is Olson and Assoc. Architect, P.A.

A rough estimate of the price range for this development is \$750,000. "I will have a more definite figure by next week," Hills commented. The majority of the funding for this project is by a (currently unnamed) donor. "We are saving our loan money for the new dormitory that will replace Mangum," Hills revealed.

Following the plan for new married student housing is the destruction of

Mangum Hall. "As the married students move into the new housing, Olsen will be available for occupancy by upper-classmen. Then the open dorm space from students moving to Olsen will allow room for the freshman girls that would originally be assigned to Mangum," commented Karen Pearson, director of residential life.

The plans for the new married student housing complex will be officially approved when the Regents meet in June. After that, ground breaking and construction should begin in the fall of 1995.

Contrary to popular rumor, Chapman Hall will stand for a few more years. "Some sections might be closed off in the next few years," said Pearson, adding, "but it will be torn down by the year 2000."

## ASNNC

# NNC gears up for Malibu Days

BY TIM SCHLACK  
STAFF WRITER

Spring term would not be spring term without the ever eventful Malibu Days. Malibu has become as much a tradition with NNC as such events as the annual Valentine's Banquet, Fresheree, and Senior Slick. The following is a glimpse of what to look for in the inviting activities of Malibu weekend.

This year Malibu will offer some wonderful, pig roasting, grass sliding, action seeking events. Reelected Social Vice President Kristen Dalton hopes to make this year's Malibu an exciting experience. "It's NNC's ultimate weekend!" she claims.

Malibu begins Friday, May 20th. Events will take place at various locations around campus. The first of the events to set Malibu into motion, will be a barbecue at Kurtz Park, beginning at 5:30.

For our listening pleasure at the park, entertainment will be provided in the form of a Blue Grass Band. On

lookers will also be intrigued by the hilarity of a dunk tank, adding some splash to the evening's dinner hour.

The evening will be capped off in the North Dining Room with Cafe Malibu. At Cafe Malibu guests will be served espresso and a variety of mocktails. Cafe Malibu will include various Theater Sports, performed by selected student entertainers.

Activities will resume again on Saturday, beginning at 1:00 p.m. The day's events will commence with ever popular water sports. The location of the water sports will be behind Culver and will include skim boarding, mashed potato wrestling, and Buck! Buck!

Friday and Saturday a volleyball tournament has been added to challenge the most avid of setters and spikers on NNC's campus. The doubles tournament will have men's, women's, and reversed coed divisions. A \$5.00 refundable deposit will be required to play. Weather permitting, all matches will be played on the grass and in the sand.

After a hot day of playing in the sun,

Malibu will continue in the Hawaiian tradition by throwing an authentic style luau. Dinner for this occasion will begin at the prescribed dinner time of 5:00 p.m. A tantalizing menu will include roast pig and shishkabobs.

The night would not be complete without the traditional flick, which will begin around 9:00 p.m. This year's selection is the suspense thriller, "The Fugitive," starring Harrison Ford.

Now, one might ask the following questions. "Will this interfere with the Chapman Hoop Classic?" The answer: No. Another question that comes to mind is, "Boy, for so much fun this must cost a bundle. How much will I have to shell out, especially if I take a date?" Again the answer: nothing. Malibu will cost nothing, zero, zilch, because everything is free, except for a measly 25 cents for a mocktail at the Cafe Malibu. Now that is a remarkable deal! So, if the weekend of the 20th is looking a little empty, think about taking part in some of the pig roasting, grass sliding, action seeking events of Malibu 94'.

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Hi to Tina!"

## MUSICAL

# Down home lovin' proves to be a crowd pleaser

**Musical production of "Oklahoma!" is an entertaining and delightful evening for all who attend.**

BY TOBY JEFFREY  
CAMPUS EDITOR

In front of packed houses this past weekend, the Northwesterners performances of "Oklahoma!" turned out to be one huge success after another.

With Thursday evening's performance a near sell out, Friday night and Saturday night were both sellouts. According to Paige Crafton, "The crowds have been really great, they really seem to enjoy themselves."

And why not, this year's performance was indeed well received by the audiences. Commented a local Nampa man on Saturday night, "This year's show was excellent," he added, "these kids outdo themselves every year."

The Northwesterners have performed the musicals "South Pacific" and "Fiddler on the Roof" in the past two

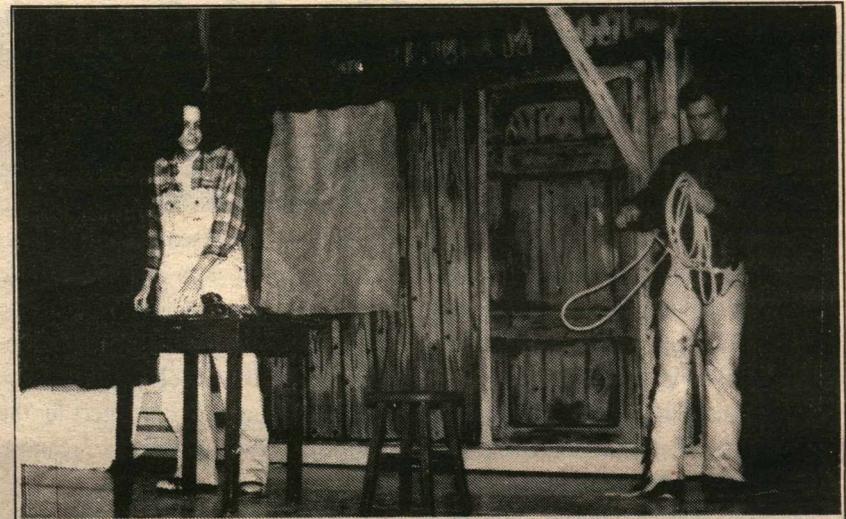
years.

According to many, the musicals have been better and better every year. Many said last year's performance of "Fiddler" was one of the best they had ever seen.

Director Barry Swanson worked very hard to make this year's musical the best yet. This year Swanson found himself asking the question how will we (Northwesterners) top last year's performance. It's not every year there is a Lane Bottemiller to assume the key role.

Swanson's answer came with this year's "Oklahoma!" He said, "This year's cast is doing an excellent job." Swanson added, "everyone is perfect for their parts in this musical."

Swanson pointed out that he chose "Oklahoma!" for this very reason, it is a total break from "Fiddler". With Will Bennett filling the role of the cocky hot



Jud and Curly discuss their conflicting affections for Laurey. (Anne Freeman)

shot cowboy, Paige Crafton playing the lovable Aunt Eller and Ted Daniels playing the laughable Ali Hakim, to name a few, the Northwesterners had no problem bringing the crowds to their feet.

Although tonight's performance is nearly sold out, some tickets may be available at the door, due to no-shows.

Tonight is the last night to see "Oklahoma!"

## ACADEMICS

# Dennis receives honor of Professor of the Year

BY TOBY JEFFREY  
CAMPUS EDITOR

After 15 years of hard work on the NNC faculty, Professor Kevin Dennis was honored as the 1993-94 Professor of the Year.

The award presentation took place this past Friday in Chapel, with a reception afterward. Dennis was chosen from a group of seven selected professors.

Sue Stands, NNC Alumni Association Executive Director, presented the award after student representatives introduced the seven nominees.

Among the other nominees were Professor Michael Bankston from the Music Department, Dr. David Redfield of the Chemistry Department, Dr. George Lyons of the Religion Department, Professor Martha Hopkins from Kinesiology, Professor Liz Murtland of the Home Economics Department, Dr. Steve Shaw from the Political Science Department and Dennis from the Division of Language and Literature.

Each professor was introduced by a student from that respective department. These seven students also represented the student faculty committees that nomi-

inated the seven professors.

Each nominating group consisted of five or six students and one faculty member.

Professor Kevin Dennis was chosen for his continuing commitment to excellence, as well as for his example of Christ centered living and for his student centered style of instruction.

In a statement made by the Language and Literature nomination committee, Dennis is described as "a student as well as a teacher."

After receiving a hearty standing ovation from a full Chapel audience, Dennis began thanking those that helped him get to where he is now.

In Dennis' acceptance speech, he stressed what he felt were important aspects to NNC's success and tradition. Dennis stated, "When I was a student, I always felt that the best and most important part of NNC was its faculty."

Professor Dennis attended NNC in the mid-70's, earning his degree in English in '77.

In his speech Dennis paid tribute to former NNC President John R. Riley who Dennis said was the main reason he

attended NNC.

After thanking various colleagues Dennis went on to thank his parents, John and Shirley Dennis. John Dennis is a high school teacher in Walla Walla, Washington.

Proving that teaching talent runs in the family, Professor Dennis pointed out that his father was awarded National Teacher of the Year in 1970.

Professor Dennis went on to thank the many exceptional students he has worked with in his fifteen years on the NNC faculty.

To round out his acceptance speech, Dennis gave the audience a bit of his teaching philosophy. Dennis pointed out that in his classes the real instructors are the authors of the books he presents, "my role is simply to introduce the students to these great writers."

Dennis concluded with some thoughts about a liberal arts education. In his own words, "One of the great goals of a liberal arts education is to help students expand their ability to enjoy life by teaching them how to appreciate some of its most complex and challenging pleasures: human artistic endeavors."

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*Professor  
Kevin  
Dennis*



Mary and Kevin Dennis at Dennis' Professor of the Year reception. (File Photo)

BOISE

# "The Art of Animation" comes to Boise

**This mania for owning a freeze-frame of your favorite Saturday morning experience is really right now, and expensive.**

By MATT JOHNSON  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The marketability of childhood treasures has become quite possibly the hottest market in trading and collecting. It started with the popularity of sports cards -- some of which are now worth thousands.

Then came the comic book revival, which has brought the price of some first editions into the thousands as well. Not soon after, collectors began buying up trivial memorabilia -- sports action figures, lunch pails, etc. Along with this trend came an interest in buying actual pieces of production -- e.g. actual comic book page originals.

Now they want cels.

"Cels", as in animation. A cel is a sheet of acetate on which your favorite cartoon characters are drawn and painted.

They are also worth a whole lot of money.

This mania for owning a freeze-frame of your favorite Saturday morning experience is so hot right now, that galleries across the nation are presenting exhibits of them, and the rate of exchange is so high, that the galleries can barely do so -- demand countering demand into a frenzy of trade.

According to Randall Brown of Brown's Gallery, just getting this month's exhibit together was almost impossible. "They would fax me a picture, and by the time I had decided to order it, someone had already purchased it."

But, Brown did manage to get what is now the second exhibit together. And quite a collection it is.

One of the highlights of this year's show, are cels from Nike's "Dream Team Barcelona" commercial starring the animated likeness of Charles Barkley, Scot-

ty Pippen, Robinson, and John Stockton. Accompanying the cels is a video of the commercial which can be watched on request.

The majority of the cels are actually autographed by the NBA players -- a perfect collectable for the person who collects both cartoons and sports memorabilia. If you have the cash. A signed Barkley goes for \$1,600.00. A cel with both Pippen and Robinson (and their signatures) goes for \$1,500.00. An unsigned cel runs for about \$400.00. Cash in those sports cards, guys.

Brown Gallery did manage to bring in some classic works as well. One of which is a limited edition cel from Disney's "Fantasia." Also from Disney, are pencil sketches from "Snow White", and a few "model sheets" from early animation shorts. The "Snow White" runs for \$2,000.00.

The majority of the display are cels

from television programs -- Hanna Barbera and the like. Many of the cels are from "The Rocky and Bullwinkle Show" by Jay Ward. A cel of "Rocky" runs for \$200.00, and "Bullwinkle" for \$370.00. The best is probably the cel of "Mr. Peabody and Sherman" -- it goes for \$650.00.

Another pleasant and rare exhibit is a cel from "Rikki Tikki Tavi" which was drawn and produced by famous animator Chuck Jones of "Bugs Bunny" fame. The piece includes both the painted cel, and the original pencil sketch with Jones' signature.

For those more interested in the production of animation, also on exhibit and for sale are rough storyboards and scripts for about \$30.00.

"The Art of Animation" will be on display all of this month at Brown Gallery, 1022 Main St., Boise, between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on weekdays.

NATION

## Case against Clintons turns tables

CHRIS BARRETT  
STAFF WRITER

Last week, Paula Corbin Jones, a former Arkansas state employee, filed a lawsuit against President Bill Clinton on sexual harassment charges.

In the suit, she claims in 1991 Governor Clinton summoned her to his suite at the Excelsior Hotel in Little Rock, Ark. and implored her to engage in a sexual act.

The president's lawyer, Robert Bennett, said that the Jones suit was false, fictitious, and "tabloid trash." At the news conference May 6, there were many tabloids and tabloid television shows like "A Current Affair" and "Hard Copy."

The media circus this case will be, makes both liberals and conservatives ill. "It just makes me want to throw up," says Rep. Patricia Schroeder D-Col. Agreeing, William Kristol, head of the Project for the Republican Future, commented, "It makes one a little bit sick to one's stomach."

Jones has the support of conservatives who had called Anita Hill a liar for

accusations of sexual harassment against Clarence Thomas. Jones is opposed by liberals who had made Hill a champion of women's right in dealing with sexual harassment. It appears a role reversal has occurred.

The conservative press points to what the First Lady, Hillary Clinton said at an American Bar Association luncheon honoring Anita Hill: "As women and as lawyers, we must never again shy from raising our voices against sexual harassment. All women who care about equality of opportunity -- about integrity and morality in the workplace -- are in Professor Anita Hill's debt."

Conservatives are now curious to why liberals and feminists are condemning Jones. They assess this condemnation is a double standard on sexual harassment. After all, Anita Hill was a champion of women's rights and so should Paula Jones.

Peggy Noonan, the speech writer for Presidents Reagan and Bush, commented, "What's good for the goose is good for the gander. The women's groups flocked around Anita Hill, saying they were doing it to defend and protect

women's rights. But their silence now is eloquent testimony to the fact that their motives were always more ideological than feminist."

However, liberals are also throwing the question of why the conservatives supported Thomas instead of Hill. The liberal groups say the conservatives are trying to "get" Clinton and in the process trying to make the feminists look bad. Jones first made the charges known at last February's Conservative Political Action Conference with Clinton's sworn arch enemy Clifford Jackson standing by her side. Her story was first published in the conservative paper the American Spectator.

Feminists and liberals say there are two differences between the Anita Hill case and the Paula Jones case. First, there was still time to look at Thomas' character because he was not yet appointed to the Supreme Court. The second was Clinton was not a direct supervisor over Jones; Thomas was.

"The big problems with Jones' case," writes columnist Clarence Page of the Chicago Tribune, "are not unlike Hill's: She waited long past the federal

government's six-month sexual harassment statute of limitations; her timing (like her new-found friends) has a suspiciously political angle to it; and 'the smell of money,' as one of her own sisters put it in a television interview, hangs suspiciously in the air."

What does professor Anita Hill have to say about the sexual harassment charges against President Bill Clinton? In an interview from Oklahoma City on the CBS news program "Face the Nation," Hill states, "sometimes people who we admire and respect and want to do well may engage in behavior that is objectionable and maybe even against the law.

As a society, we have to decide, are we serious enough about these kinds of behavior to contemplate the fact that sometimes we're not going to like the outcome of the cases?"

It must be noted that the statute of limitations on bringing a sexual harassment case to court has expired. The court might dismiss the case on this ground.

Source: The Oregonian

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## NATION

# Court nominees chosen

## Arnold, Breyer and Babbitt fight for empty position

BY ANTHONY SYME  
STAFF WRITER

Richard Arnold, Stephen Breyer and Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt were recently announced as the three finalists in President Clinton's hunt for a Supreme Court replacement.

Arnold is a judge from Arkansas while Breyer is a federal appeals court judge from Massachusetts. An anonymous official from the White House who revealed the names also mentioned Jose Cabranes and Amalya Kearse, both judges, as possible candidates for the Supreme Court position, but Clinton is set upon the first nominees. One of these three men will replace retiring judge Harry Blackmun.

The White House's official position is that Clinton has no particular favorite in mind, but it is thought Babbitt or Arnold will get the seat. Breyer may become the leading choice if Bab-

bitt's political background or Arnold's poor health record become too hard to handle.

Clinton has indicated that he has not spoken with any of the candidates at this point, but he knows all of them on a personal level, and this makes interviews unnecessary. All three men are Harvard graduates and have political experience.

The president was quoted by reporters at the Sixth Annual National Fire and Emergency Services dinner as saying "I expect to have a decision and an announcement in the next couple of days, the next two days."

Bruce Babbitt was first selected as one of five nominees in 1993, along with the unexpected choice of Ruth Bader Ginsberg.

Babbitt was once highly favored by environmentalists as Interior Secretary, but is now being rejected as a proper leader in that position by the same peo-

ple. Republican objections to Babbitt's nomination have always been strong.

Stephen Breyer had been originally passed up in the 1993 nominations in favor of Ginsburg. Last year, Breyer was involved in a controversy over his neglecting to turn in Social Security taxes for an employee.

White House officials stated the issue was not a factor in the President's initial rejection of Breyer as a Court nominee, however the lack of interest over the issue in this year's nominations has made it safer for Breyer to make the list.

Clinton's officials did not reveal Breyer's nomination too soon in order to avoid media exploitation of last year's controversy. Breyer apparently was apathetic at first about the possibility of filling the Court slot, but has since changed his mind.

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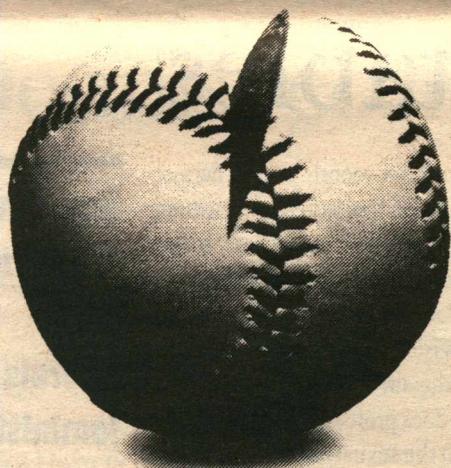
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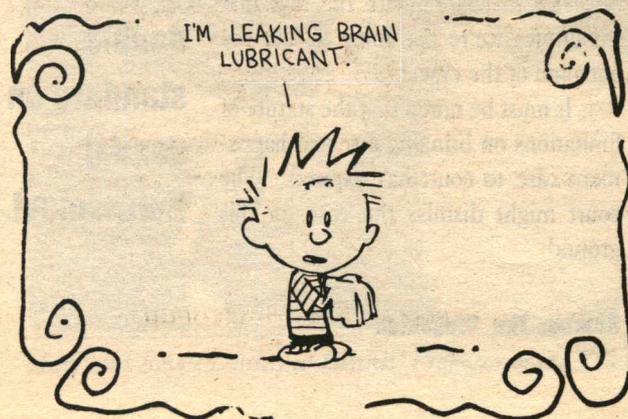
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# Judge questions medical suicide

BY ANTHONY SYME  
STAFF WRITER

United States District Judge, Barbara Rothstein, made a landmark decision May 3 regarding doctor-assisted suicide. In a case involving an elderly emphysema victim, Judge Rothstein made her view clear that the terminally ill have the right to end their own lives. Judge Rothstein claimed that the right to self-termination "is the same as the right to choose an abortion or refuse life support."

This was the first federal decision made in direct opposition to any state law against doctor-assisted suicide. Students hold a variety of opinions about doctor-assisted suicide; some see it as a real possibility, others have strong objections.

Dave Wilson, former Chief Justice of the NNC Judicial Board, thinks that each person is his or her own "best judge" of whether or not they should go on living. However, Wilson believes only the terminally ill should be allowed to make such judgments about themselves, and that suicide should only involve the guidance of a physician. Otherwise, suicide could become a much more widely

accepted practice. Wilson states that there is a difference between those who want to die out of depression or temporary setbacks and those who must face imminent, physical death.

Senior Hollie Tieg believes that doctor-assisted suicide may be an acceptable act, but it must be examined on a case-by-case basis. "If someone wants to die, they should do it themselves. If they are physically incapable of doing it, a doctor's assistance may be necessary."

She states that any move towards self-termination should follow a certain set of criteria to make sure that suicide is the best option.

Mark Weber, an education major, views doctor-assisted suicide as "not a dignified way to die." He believes that suicide is a result of a weakness of spirit. It is a much more noble and courageous thing to hang on to every breath of life that we still have. Killing oneself is an easy way to get out of tough circumstances.

Weber contends that everyone still has a choice about how each of us run our lives. Freedom permeates everything that we do. If suicide, in some cases, becomes legal, then people will have to deal with that possibility.

Lisa Van Schyndel, an NNC international studies graduate, strongly believes that people should be able to decide when the time to die has come. The issue of who can take their own life and in what fashion should not be open to legislation.

Van Schyndel feels it may even be inhumane to restrict someone who wants to die from following through with such an act. Some people, like the emphysema victim in the above case, may be suffering a great deal, and forcing them to accept nature's course may be considered cruel. The high cost of health care places a substantial burden upon the families of those who have terminally ill relatives who wish to die.

Mason Vail, a pre-med major, sees suicide as an option that everyone has, but not as a right that everyone has. A right is something that someone has that no one can interfere with. An option is not morally protected in the same way. Vail uses the example that if suicide is a right, then the government would have to protect that right.

The government would have to restrain people from attempting to stop someone who is about to jump off a building.

## WORLD

# Yemen war marked by SCUDs

BY DAVID ROEMHILDT  
STAFF WRITER

Angered by SCUD missile attacks, leaders of Northern Yemen rejected an offer of truce by Southern forces Saturday. This sets back hopes that there may be a quick resolution to the civil war that broke out in Yemen May 5.

Southern forces fired a SCUD missile into the Northern capital of San'a early last Wednesday morning, killing 25 civilians and wounding 28 more. Both sides have accused the other of atrocities but this is the first confirmed attack on civilians. Up until then fighting had primarily been confined to the rival militaries.

"This cowardly and treacherous act will not go unpunished," said Northern President and Lt. General Ali Abdullah Saleh. As the South offered a truce, the North quickly rejected it. The northern leaders are resolved to continue their campaign to take the southern capital of Aden and corner them into submission by force.

The Soviet built SCUD is the same as those used by Saddam Hussein in the

1991 Gulf War. They became widely distributed to Third World countries by the Russians in the 1980s. The SCUD is still as inaccurate as ever, making it almost useless against military targets.

They do however prove very useful in civil wars, which often degenerate into civilian struggles. Since civil war broke out the South has lobbed 5 SCUDs at the northern capital. In keeping with the SCUDs reputation, none of them exploded.

The missile attack Wednesday hit the crowded Hassaba neighborhood, near the industrial centers on the outskirts of San'a. It struck at 1 a.m. while residents slept. It did not explode but demolished 5 mud and brick residences.

Whether the SCUDs were aimed at the industrial area or fired randomly into the suburbs to destroy the North's moral is uncertain. It is certain however, that the attack has hardened the North's resolve to settle for nothing less than total victory over the southern forces. Many civilians joined in the northern attacks on the South.

At the same time the South has mobilized all of its forces and mustered

the civilian population to protect its territory and capital against any northern aggression.

As fighting continued Sunday, it moved into an area that is being used as a refugee camp for Somalis who fled civil war in their own country. The refugees were caught in the crossfire between North and South tank brigades. At least 100 Somalis were killed.

The camp is critically short of food, water and medical supplies and has appealed to the warring sides to let a relief convoy into the camp.

The current battle lines run along the boundaries of the old North and South Yemen states. The two nations were merged in 1990, but never integrated their bureaucracies, militaries or intelligence agencies.

At the heart of the conflict is access to vital oil fields presently occupied by the South. The nation depends on oil as its only major export, as well as for domestic use.

The North views Southern control of the fields as a serious economic problem, while the South believes it is only an attempt by the North at domination.

# Palestine's 27 year siege ends

BY DAVID ROEMHILDT  
STAFF WRITER

The last Israeli soldiers left the West Bank town of Jericho last Friday, ending Israel's 27 years of occupation. Palestinians were given control over the city, which is the foothold for their dream of an Independent Palestinian nation.

About 460 Palestinian soldier-police from Jordan took over Jericho and the freshly evacuated army base and police station used by the Israelis.

Meanwhile in Gaza, hundreds of Palestinian and Egyptian police arrived in the same fashion and received control of previously Israeli positions.

Both cities were in celebration. As the last Israeli troops withdrew, Palestinians for the first time in 27 years, felt freedom. Residents beat drums and danced, thrilled to look about and not see an Israeli flag flying over their homes.

The withdraw and its implications bring about many different emotions among both Palestinian and Israeli.

For most Israelis, withdrawal from the Gaza Strip is a blessing. They wel-

comed the end of occupation over the squalid, hostile strip on the Mediterranean. The Israeli government used the public's distaste for Gaza to sell the Autonomy accord. Gaza for years has been associated with its three large refugee camps, out of which have emerged mayhem and revolt.

Gaza has no religious or strategic significance for the Israelis. However, half of its population of 1.5 million is Palestinian, and the area has long been a hotbed of militant Islam.

Jericho and the West bank, however, are a different matter. The area has been densely settled by Israelis, it holds great religious significance, and it includes the eastern half of Jerusalem.

This is a volatile issue for both Israelis and Palestinians. Residents of Israeli settlements near Jericho oppose the peace deal and feel betrayed that the Israeli government would give up on them and allow Arafat to set up a government over them.

"Who would ever have thought that we would give back this land," said Elliot Cohen, a resident of Naaran, near the

Jericho autonomous zone. "It's unheard of."

Some residents will stick out the Autonomy accord, while others have petitioned the Israeli government to rescue them from the risks of the territory. Relocating would cost about \$100,000 per family, amounting to a cost of \$2.5 billion. Still other extremists will stay at all cost and even fight the overwhelming Palestinian majority for every inch of land.

" Hamas will not abandon the path of holy war until all of Palestine is liberated," read a banner by the outlawed Islamic Resistance Movement.

While the ink is still warm on the Autonomy accord signed last week by Israeli President Yitzhak Rabin and PLO leader Yasser Arafat, the majority of the American public believes that the conflict is over.

However, the conflict will remain as long as the ethnic and religious factions exist in the same area, regardless of who controls the government. The Palestinian conflict is not over, but has changed direction.

## BRIEFLY

## Mother and daughter graduate together

Karin Persons and her mother, Linda Kimura, both of Nampa, headed to BSU's graduation together on Sunday. Before they went in they donned their caps and gowns on together.

Both Persons, 27, and Kimura, 46, received bachelor's degrees during BSU's commencement ceremony. The two entered college a semester apart, but they finished together and graduated with honors.

The women were joined by nearly 1,100 other students at BSU's 60th commencement.

## Margarine could prove fatal, studies say

A new report out of Harvard says a little-known type of fat that lurks in margarine and other processed foods could be responsible for 30,000 of the nation's annual heart disease deaths.

U.S. researchers last year reported that diets high in margarine, long praised as a healthy alternative to butter, and similar foods could double the risk of heart attack.

But an article in today's American Journal of Public Health goes even further, saying the trans-fatty acids found in those foods probably are worse than saturated fat.

## Open fire triggered by a garden hose

Angry that someone had slashed his garden hose, a dismissed police officer in Rome, NY., strode out onto his driveway with a handgun concealed in a sweatshirt Saturday night and shot three teenaged boys, two fatally, as they rode by on bicycles. He also wounded an adult neighbor, then shot and killed himself.

The assailant had been dismissed several years earlier for insubordination and violating police regulations.

## Egyptians protest attorney's death

Thousands of Egyptian lawyers staged a one-day strike Sunday to protest the suspicious death of an attorney who defended Muslim fundamentalists.

The strike, which kept lawyers out of courtrooms for the day, was called by the Egyptian Lawyers' Syndicate to protest the death of Abdel-Harith Madani, who was blindfolded and taken from his office by government security agents of April 26th. A week later, his family was told he was dead.

Amnesty International said there is evidence Madani was tortured.

## Play and 'book' about youth's lashing

A play and an "instant book" about the lashing of Michael Fay for vandalism are in the works, but without any input from the teen-ager or his family.

The Sunday Times reported that his book would focus on technical and legal aspects of the case, the media frenzy, political implications and the impact on U.S.-Singapore relations.

Larif told The Sunday Times his play would concentrate mainly on how latent racism was brought out by the Fay case.

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# Political Correctness

names for themselves nearly every small interest group got into the act.

The opposition from conservatives is decreasing the PC frenzy and those who are less conservative agree on the issue of how out of control PC has gotten. Some of the examples of how out of control things still are look at these little PC tid-bits collected by John Leo in the January 31, 1994 U.S. News and World Reports:

## DINOSAURS PREFER BLONDS

> The movie *Jurassic Park* contains "an outrageous insult" by Steven Spielberg, according to an op-ed piece in the *Boston Globe* by an assistant dean at the Harvard School of Public Health. The insult, wrote Deborah Prothro Stith, is that only blond people escaped death or maiming, while black characters were killed off and the one dark-haired scientist who managed to stay alive was hurt badly.

## INSENSITIVE TRAFFIC SIGNS

> In response to complaints that "SLOW CHILDREN" traffic signs are insensitive to retarded youngsters, the state of Massachusetts wants towns to change to "WATCH CHILDREN" signs.

> "DEAD END" signs are being removed from the streets of Longmont, Colo. because they remind some residents of death. *Denver Post* writer Jack Kisling suggested "DEFUNCT CONCLUSION" or "VIABLE ACCESS DISCONTINUED," but the unimaginative town settled for "NO OUTLET."

## MY PAL, WHO ART THY HEAVEN

> Rabbi Rebecca Alpert of Philadelphia wants to remove sexist and dominant references in Jewish prayers. Not only can God be called "she" and "queen" but "but images of inequality between the exalted divine and the lowly human should be replaced with talk of God as Lover, Friend, Companion, Partner."

## BLACKOUT

> PC wordsmiths are trying to eliminate negative and casual references to the color black in popular speech. "Black magic" and "black-listed" were early targets. "Blackboard" was changed to "chalkboard." In Britain, a PC-saturated school inspector complained of a report that said a student suffered a "black

eye," and in some schools children now sing "Baa, Baa, Green Sheep."

## FIXING CHRISTMAS

> A British professor wrote to the *Times* of London, complaining that PC people had deleted the reference to Parson Brown performing a wedding in the song "Winter Wonderland." He wondered whether musical references to marriage offend the "sacramentally challenged."

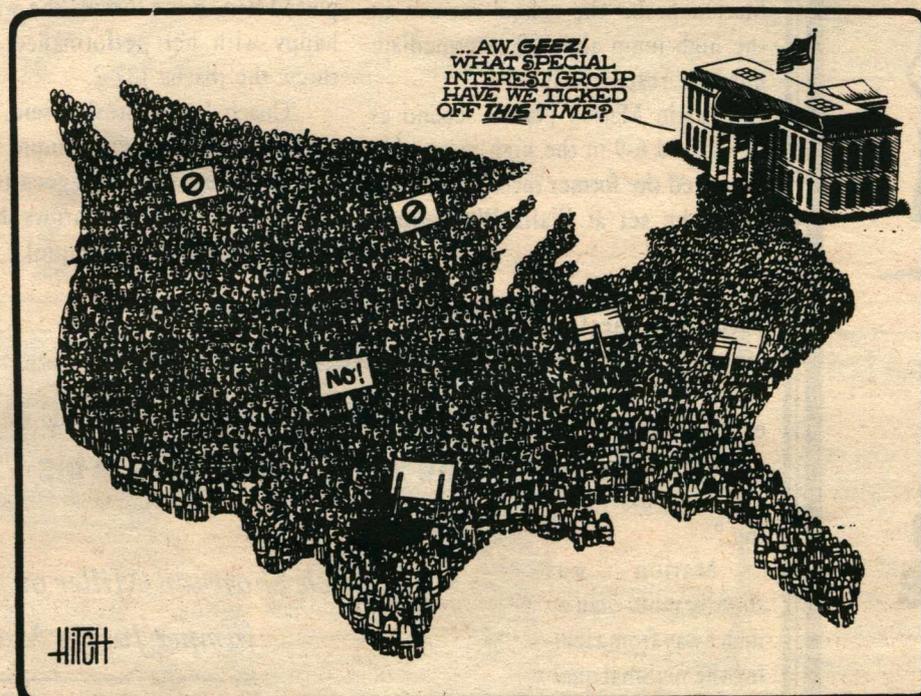
These excerpts of real PC problems that have occurred within the past year should

Based on these groups of complainers, all wedding announcements and obituaries should be removed from newspapers, the words husband, wife, and spouse should be removed from public language, and beautiful people should not become models because it makes people who aren't good-looking uncomfortable.

Luckily, most of the population is catching on to the absurdities involved with the PC movement, and are insisting that it must stop. However, a purely counter-movement will not resolve the main problem that is inherent in the PC de-

bate. The main problem is that the United States population is so diverse and the members of the population feel that they should not have other people's views pushed on them.

**The problem is not how we talk, but how much we really know about others. The problem is resistance to exposure to differences, not the words we use to discuss those differences.**



show you that it is not just ethnic groups that feel that the English language is being abused for them. Normal, non-heterosexuals, non-religious people, non-beautiful persons, and people who can get set-off by mention of anything that is currently bothering them have PC supporters trying to change language.

The First Amendment guarantees free speech and should guarantee that the PC problem would go away. We have the right to say that people of Scandinavian heritage are lazy, low-achievers with bad breath. What we all hope would happen is that someone of Scandinavian heritage, like my sister perhaps, would

refute me by being a diligent, high-achieving, pleasantly breathed person and bringing those points to discussion.

## SOLVING THE HURT AND PAIN

Back in seventh grade, my friends and I had the PC problem figured out. By discussing our feelings and showing each other who we really were brought us beyond stereotypes. We never hurt each other with painful names because we respected our differences. If we did use a name that was not appropriate, the other person would say it was inappropriate and not be hurt. I'm not so sure if I would have respected cultural differences so much if it had not been for the fact that I was a member of those discussions.

The problem is not how we talk, but how much we really know about others. The problem is resistance to exposure to differences, not the words we use to discuss those differences.

Beyond the pain of ethnicity and culture lies the pain of those who are upset by talk of death, physical disabilities, and religious beliefs. But, the solution remains the same. Rather than using euphemisms to describe the challenges of life, we need to discuss the pain and the angst.

I read about a teacher who was afraid of teaching a one act play about death in her English classes, because a student recently lost her twin sister. She swallowed her fear and taught the unit and found that many of her students were dealing with death. The class helped each other and they were able to overcome the pain and go on with their lives in a new light, even though they were different their similarities strengthened their relationships.

Just like that teacher, we must become willing to share our feelings and fears. In order to avoid more PC and pain, we must learn to understand our differences and not be afraid of them.

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## Get Fueled For Finals

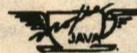


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## COMMENTARY

# Brawls mar NBA playoffs

BY JASON BROOKS  
STAFF WRITER

With two bench clearing brawls and games marred by technicals, flagrant fouls, and player ejections, the NBA playoffs are resembling a combat zone with antics more appropriate for wrestlers than basketball players.

Unfortunately, the playoffs are not much different than the regular season; just more emotional.

The real problem is the level of physical play that is allowed in the NBA. With all the pushing, shoving, hand checking, and body contact that goes on, an NBA

game is an already volatile situation needing only the added pressure of the playoffs to get out of control.

Things like hand checking, that were once called fouls, are now considered good defense. Reaches and slaps on the arm are now called only if they echo around the arena and connect somewhere between the elbow and the shoulder. The wrist is part of the hand, the hand is part of the ball. The paint has become a place for shoving matches where only the strong survive.

With the physical beatings that NBA players now take, it is not surprising that they should lose their tempers in an

emotionally charged playoff game.

With a championship goal in sight, it would be frustration to be hammered continually and spend more time on the floor than standing up.

If the NBA is serious about wanting to clean up the playoffs, then they should start by cleaning up the play. Don't let the players push and shove. Don't let them slap and grab. Call fouls with the body and get the hands off the ball-handlers.

Tempers are bound to flare up once in a while, but the less the players have to endure the more likely they are to keep their cool.

## TRACK

# Marions set new records

**Justin and Sarah are new record holders after strong district performances in the high jump and 100 meter hurdles**

BY CHRIS BARRETT  
STAFF WRITER

Last weekend at the NAIA District II Track and Field Championships in LaGrande, Oregon, NNC's Justin Marion and sister-in-law Sarah Marion broke the school records in the high jump and 100 intermediate hurdles, respectively.

Justin Marion placed second as he cleared 6-9 in the high jump. He shattered the former record of 6-8 1/4 which he set at Walla Walla three weeks ago.

"I was pleased with his performance," remarked coach Shannon Miller, "he is beginning to make some refinements in his jumping."

Marion was slightly more than an inch away from clearing the national qualifying height.

"Fantastic race, the best I have ever seen her run," was Miller's remark after Sarah Marion's second place finish in the 100 intermediate hurdles.

The former school record was 15.6 but Marion cleared that record off the books with a finish time of

15.18.

Commenting on her race Marion replied, "The competition is what made me push faster and harder."

In the long jump, Marion jumped 17-3 1/2 to place fifth.

Even though Kim Hazelbaker placed first in the discus, she was not happy with her performance. She threw the discus 137-2.

Coach Larry Crosley said, "She is working on a new technique which will help her when she goes to Nationals. Kim's last two throws she felt better [about the technique]."

**"I was pleased with his performance. He is beginning to make some refinements in his jumping."**

*Coach Shannon Miller on high jumper Justin Marion*

Hazelbaker said, "I'll fix the technique before Nationals."

In the high jump, Hazelbaker jumped 4-11.

Placing third in the 800 meters, Gina Miller ran a personal record of 2:19.72.

Reid Kornstad vaulted for fifth place in the pole vault (14-1).

Kevin Farrow placed seventh in the 400 hurdles with a time of 56.74.

Miller, commenting on Farrow said, "He has made a lot of progress in a short amount of time. He took off three seconds since his last meet."

Tessa Phillips threw the discus 116-6 for a sixth place finish, while Jeff Jackson finished eighth in the hammer throw (144-11).

Ellen Duncan also placed eighth in the javelin with a distance of 104-4 and seventh in the shot put 36-5.

Sarah Marion, Jennifer Myers, Debi Carter, and Gina Miller in the women's 800 meter sprint medley finished in seventh place with a combined time of 1:54.82.

The men's 400 meter relay (Scott Wilde, Reid Kornstad, Nate Pickens, and Jeff Jackson) was sixth with a time of 43.91.

Other Sadars who competed at Districts included in the high jump Brian Higgins (6-1 1/4), Jennifer Myers (5-1), and Vondell Sheets (4-11).

Will Haskins ran a 4:28.35, in the 1500 meter.

Debi Carter jumped 31-10 1/2 in the triple jump.

In the discus, Vondell Sheets threw 95-5 and Ellen Duncan 112-3.

Nate Pickens ran the 400 meter hurdles in a time of 59.93.

Finally, Scott Wilde jumped 20-5 1/2 in the long jump.

INTRAMURALS

# Intramural softball sent to playoffs early

BY TIM SCHLACK  
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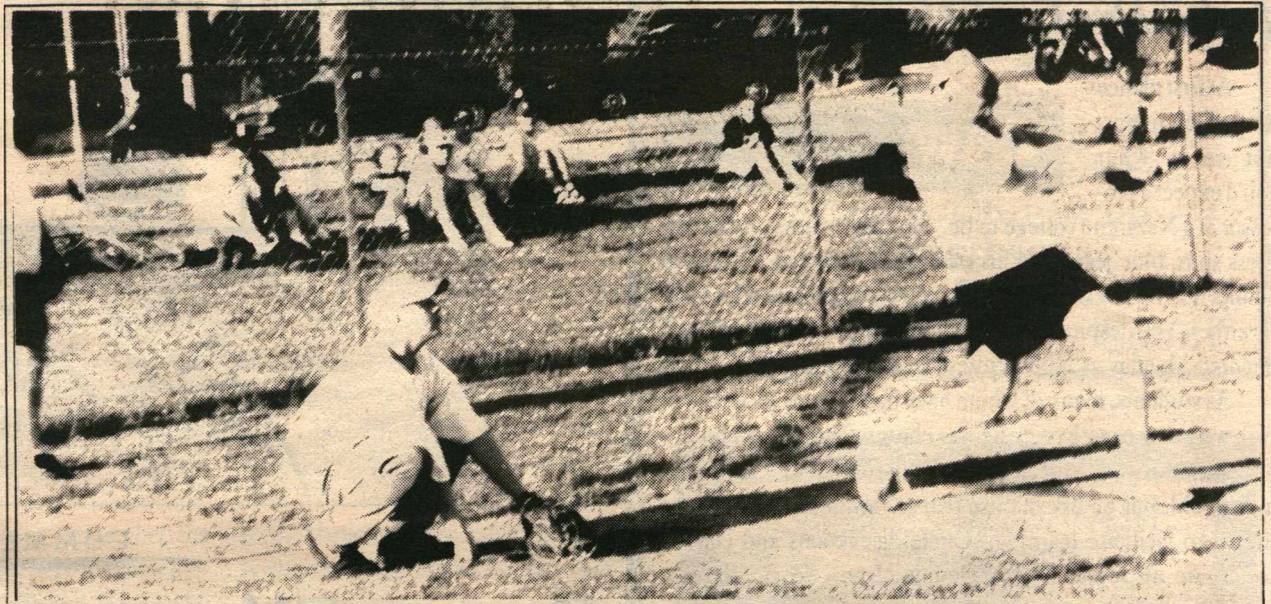
**Intramural softball loses steam and forfeits are abundant as season wears on during the most busy time of year for NNC students.**

The intramural softball season has come to a close. With a lack luster season filled with numerous ups and downs the season gears up for the tournament that will determine which team is truly the softball champions of NNC.

This term's intramural season was not very successful for reasons that are still being looked at by intramural director Rich Sanders. The issue of forfeits is one that gave the program trouble this spring.

Rich Sanders however, doesn't blame complete disillusionment and lack of participation on the students. "The fact that the weather was nice, and that we allowed so many teams to sign up may be a few of the problems that we faced. Next year we may limit the number of teams, hoping that the rosters will contain more people," said Sanders.

Spring intramural are far from over



Tedd Liston blasts for a base hit in recent intramural action. (Anne Frahm)

though. Beginning with the men's and women's softball double elimination tournament which begins today. The rules of this tournament are going to be slightly different in that this is a tournament in which new teams can join, old

teams that played during the season can enter, or even teams can combine to compete in the tournament.

Rosters will require a team to field at least nine, no more than fifteen players. Noting that only two players may be

either current or alumni varsity baseball players. Games will be played in a double elimination fashion guaranteeing a team at least two more games for the season. Forfeits will be considered as elimination from the tournament.

**STANDINGS**

(Through May 1)

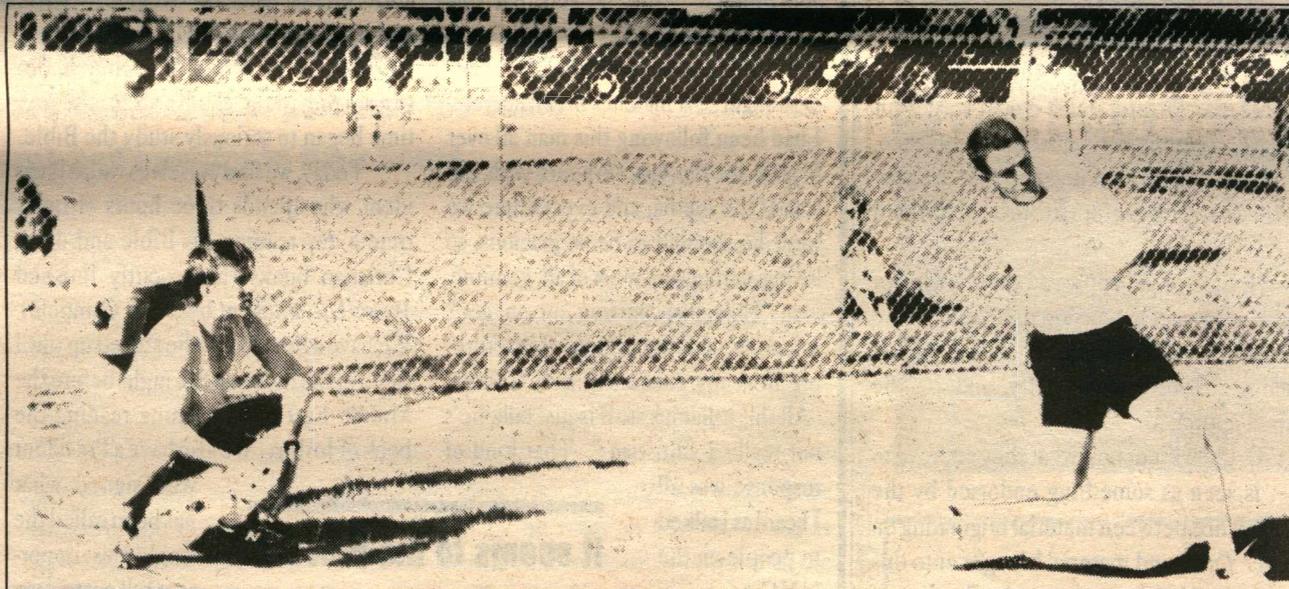
"Men's A"	W	L
Captain Krunch	7	0
Identity Crisis	5	1
Dixie Wreckd	5	2
NADS	5	3
NRB's	5	3
BTR Plus	4	2
Hughes	4	3
Kissitgoodbye	4	3
Final 4	3	2
No Chance	3	4
Older Guys	2	3
Unforgiven	2	3
The Henry's	2	4
Whetstone	2	5
MacDonald	0	4

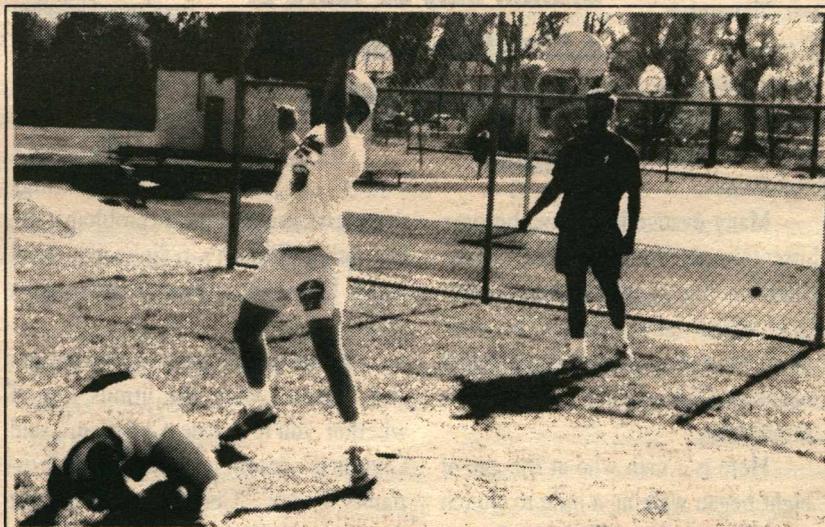
"Men's B"	W	L
David Miller	5	0
TOTC	3	3
Team Brutal	2	3
Team Harvey	2	4
Sage Rats	1	4

"Women"	W	L
Dig Em	4	0
Kelm/Weidman	4	0
Tao Pao	4	0
Maines	3	1
Bunt'n Daisy	3	2
Swingin' Sisters	2	1
Petrie/Moore	2	1
Dead Carpet Layers	1	1
Crushers	0	1
League of Their Own	0	2
Moosenuggets	0	3
Frahm/Fried	0	3



Freshman, Josh Gates, swings for the fences as Trevor Hardcastle and Bryon Marquardt look on. (Anne Frahm)



Todd Shupe pulls down the high throw as an unidentified base-runner attempts to reach home safely. (Anne Frahm)

**First Annual Memorial Day Weekend Tennis Tournament**

Grab your raquets and lace up your shoes as its time to hit the hardcourts. The first annual Memorial Day Weekend Tennis Tournament will take place on Sunday, May 29, beginning at 1 pm. The double-elimination tournament will have an open singles and an open doubles division to be played at the courts across from Olson Apartments. Matches will be 8-game pro sets with ad. The tournament is open to NNC students and faculty only. The champions in each division will receive T-Shirts. The cost for the tournament is \$3 for singles and \$2 for each doubles player. You are welcome to sign up to play in both divisions. Registrations are on the intramural board and need to be turned in with your money by Wednesday, May 25. For more information call: Rick Skeen at 467-8485, or Todd Durbin at 466-1946.

## EDITORIALS

## Dennis more than worthy to be Prof. of the Year

At first glance Kevin Dennis may not seem what you'd expect a professor at a Nazarene college to be.

### Our Views

His class attire consists of a dress shirt, blue jeans and his trademark pony tail. The man admits that he doesn't own a suit, and we're unsure if he has a tie either. Yet, despite his unorthodox appearance, Dennis was honored Monday as NNC Professor of the Year.

As students, many of whom have had Dennis for a class or two, we know exactly why he was chosen for such an honor -- he makes you work hard and he makes it fun. Dennis is brilliant in his field, but he doesn't use that to intimidate; instead, he uses it to facilitate learning. Circle discussions and cups of coffee are all features of a Dennis class. So are thought provoking questions, and timely topics.

The Crusader wants to thank Mr. Dennis for his commitment to his students and the fun that he incorporates in his teaching. Mr. Dennis, Professors such as you are what make NNC the kind of place it is.

## E.E.C. sets double standard with Malibu movie

Several months ago many of you attended the performance of the junior class play *Greater Tuna* -- or at least a cut version thereof. The Entertainment Evaluation Committee, consisting of both students and faculty, decided that the play contained vulgarities that were not appropriate to be performed here at NNC.

However, last week the E.E.C. approved the showing of *The Fugitive* for Malibu Days. The version to be seen is the uncut theater version which was rated PG-13. This version contains fairly extensive cussing and vulgarity, and yet the E.E.C. gave its stamp of approval.

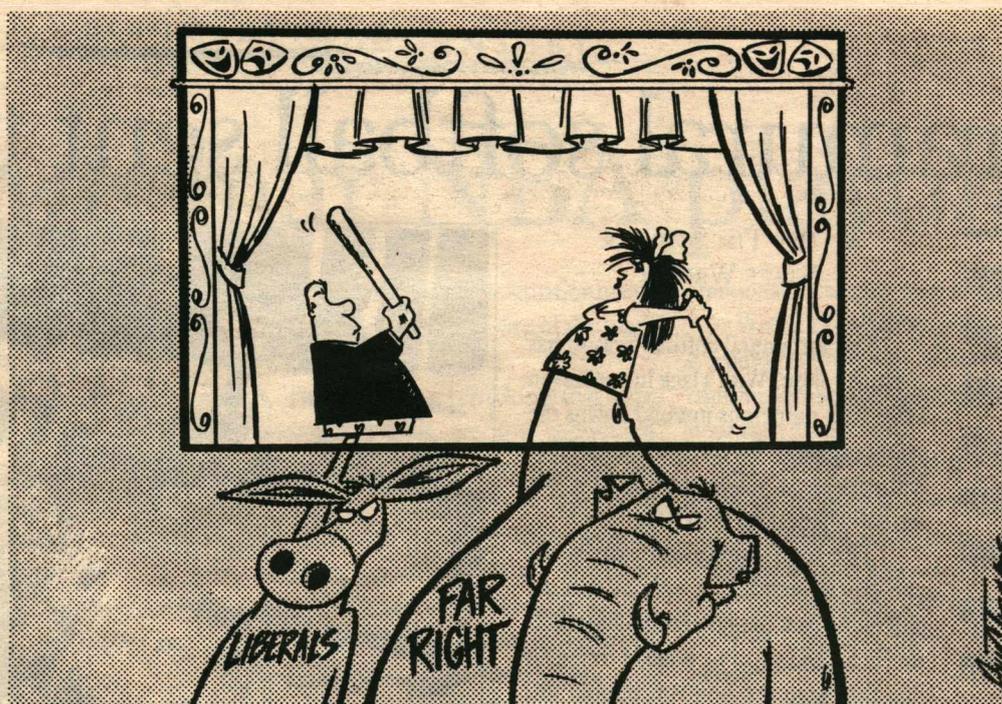
Whether the E.E.C. knows it or not, what they approve to be seen -- or heard -- is seen as something endorsed by the school. There is no difference between material originating on this campus (i.e. *Greater Tuna*) and material brought onto this campus (i.e. *The Fugitive*) -- both become equal reflections of the college.

We don't care what the policy of the E.E.C. is in regard to vulgarity as long as it is consistent. This policy was not in the case of approving *The Fugitive* and rejecting parts of *Greater Tuna*. The simple truth is that what was cut from *Greater Tuna* we can print in these pages, and in fact we did. However, what is said several times in *The Fugitive* we can't print.

Far from fairly evaluating the entertainment provided here at NNC, the E.E.C. has set up a double standard that needs to be corrected in the future.

### Editorial Policy

The above editorials express the opinions of The Crusader's editorial board: Dave McEwen, Tessa Phillips, Jeff Gunstream, Kona Lew, Brenda Clough, Toby Jeffery, Anne Frahm, Rick Skeen, D. Andrew Zirschky, John Nordstrom, Matt Johnson, Ryan Pitts, Naomi Brown, and D.M. Bomar. Editorial cartoons reflect the opinions of the artist. Signed articles and letters reflect the opinions of the writer.



## COMMENTARY

## Does Clinton know Christ?

The beat of my heart quickened a pace as Bill Clinton neared where I was standing. He reached out his hand and I shook it firmly. I said "Nice to meet you Mr. President," and thought just one thing -- "Boy, he sure has soft hands."

"Why not have soft hands?" I later thought, "It matches his character." I had been following this man all over Seattle for the last 48-hours with the rest of the media, and everywhere we went he seemed to be so gracious, so loving, caring, and most of all, genuine.

"He's just putting on an act," someone said to me soon after returning from my encounter with Clinton. "All this religious stuff is just talk, he's not really a Christian." That kind of response was all I heard as I talked to people on the NNC campus last November. Everyone seemed sorry for me that I had met such a "heretic and phoney."

Many evangelicals have become bitter towards this man who says he is a Christian but supports abortion and homosexual rights. Yet, at the same time, what evangelicals have found out about Clinton aside from politics is astonishing.

Here is a man who at the age of eight began walking a mile to church out of his own free will and by the age of ten was baptized and regularly sent part of his allowance to Billy Graham. In fact, his teachers thought he might

become an evangelist himself.

While it is true that in later years, Clinton all but abandoned his faith, it is also true that after his daughter's birth, and reading a copy of C.S. Lewis' *Mere Christianity*, he returned to church, began singing in the choir, and for the first time began to seriously study the Bible.

Today, we find ourselves with a President who spends three hours of quiet time a day reading his Bible and other Christian books (he recently finished *Wake Up America!* by Tony Campolo). We have a President who stayed up until three in the morning the night before the Middle East peace signing reading the book of Joshua. We also have a President

who signed what has been called the single most important bill protecting freedom of religion in our life time. This hardly sounds like a heretic to me.

But, it's not these things

that most Christians have a problem with, but rather Clinton's policies on social issues. Even Clinton himself understands this.

"Some people have made abortion and homosexuality the litmus test of whether you're a true Christian," said Clinton in a recent interview with *Christianity Today*. "Certainly these are not the most-mentioned issues in the Bible, but they're the things that have become the litmus test, and if you're wrong on them, it's almost like saying you're a

### D. Andrew Zirschky

fraud, you can't really be a Christian."

Clinton is right. Political policy on homosexuality is not what Christianity is all about; living a Christ like life is, and Clinton seems to be doing that.

Edward Dobson co-author of the original Moral Majority platform said this after meeting with Clinton:

"Is Bill Clinton a Christian? I don't know. I'm not God. How do you know I'm a Christian? We look at clues and evidences. Does Clinton know the scriptures? Is he affected emotionally by things like prayer? Does he go to church every week, carry his Bible, claim to have a relationship with Christ? The answer to all these questions is yes. I believe he's more deeply spiritual than any President we've had in recent years."

It seems to me that Bill Clinton may be more of a Christian than a good lot of people on this campus. From some of the foul language I hear uttered from the lips of ASNNC officers, to the people I know that like to sleep through church on Sunday morning, to the dusty Bibles I see laying on people's shelves, I don't see much room for anyone around here to be criticizing Bill Clinton.

As I said in this column two weeks ago, Christianity isn't about good views, it's about good news and changed lives. While it may be that Clinton's views don't necessarily match up with ours, we can't criticize him for the life that he's living. The fact is Bill Clinton, from what anyone can tell, has a genuine faith in Christ. And I dare say, much more faith than a lot of people on this campus.

## COMMENTARY

# Apathetic outlook on world blinds us to valuable lessons

BY DAVE MCEWEN  
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Bosnia. South Africa. Rwanda. Singapore.

To the average American, NNC students included, such names conjure up images of bloodshed, violence, and political problems. But to those who make a point to keep themselves aware of the activities in the world, they mean much more.

Why should the average NNC student keep up with what is happening between two warring nationalities on the other side of the globe? What do I care whether or not the United States is involved? What is it to me? Plenty.

Not only every NNC student, but every person in America should read the morning papers, watch the evening news, and do what it takes to have some sort of grip on world events. To be able to find out what is

happening in the world, foreign as well as domestic, is knowledge that we as Americans take for granted.

America, as a super-power, has become overly content and secure in its position as a world political and economic leader, and its people are so America-centered that it is no longer a question of "what is happening?" but rather a question of "who cares?"

If the average European or Asian student were asked about ethnic cleansing or the issue of South African elections, he would probably be much more aware of the situations, knowledgeable of the effects on his country, and would probably have a strong position or solution that he supported.

Why is this? Citizens of England, Spain, Japan, France and other such nations are keenly aware of foreign affairs because they have to live with the fact that "foreign" soil is only miles away. For Americans, who don't really consider Canada foreign, and don't consider Mexico at all, "foreign" soil may as well be on the moon.

It would be so simple for Americans to keep themselves well informed. As simple as reading a fifty cent newspaper from cover to cover or watching a real news program on TV, and I don't mean *A Current Affair*.

So, why should we be concerned with the happenings around the planet? If what George Santayana said is true, and "those who cannot remember the past are doomed to repeat it," then perhaps it can also be said that "those who

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Perhaps America could learn valuable lessons that would help with racial problems and violence here in the U.S. by watching Bosnia and the ethnic war going on in the Middle-East. By keeping up with the continuing political reform in South Africa, maybe we can learn not to take our own government for granted, but rather to be an active, intelligent part of it and to make it work for us.

In the case of Singapore, if we are aware of any of the real facts at all, we shouldn't jump to the position of judgment and condemn them as savages for caning someone that they consider a criminal. Perhaps there is more there than meets the eye, something that we can learn from as a nation.

This sort of mentality is especially applicable to us, the current college age Americans — generation X — NNC students. As the leaders of tomorrow, we can only succeed if we take into account

the fact that there is more out there than our little corner of the world. We could be content to move back into small-town life, read the paper for the sports, and only consider politics as it concerns ourselves, but is this kind of self-centered living what God would want us to take part in? If Jesus were alive in the flesh and living in America today, I believe that he would be acutely aware of foreign affairs, and he would vote accordingly.

If we end up as lazy adults who don't even take the time to be aware of the issues in our world, how can we accurately and intelligently vote for the leaders of our country?

Consider a young man in South Africa who has been waiting in line for three days to vote, imagining what it is like to have a voice, a say in the direction of his

country. To him it is an honor so great that he would die for it.

What would he think of Mr. Jones, a middle-class American who remembers that it is voting time only when he drives by the local precinct. Even then, he votes on a whim, taking as little time as possible to consider the effect that his one vote could have on the course of his country's government. As he gets back into his car, all thoughts of the vote are lost, and in his mind, it is just another task to be completed between work and dinner.

If we were to grow up to enter society and live like Mr. Jones, it would truly be a tragedy. It would be better if we had not voted at all.

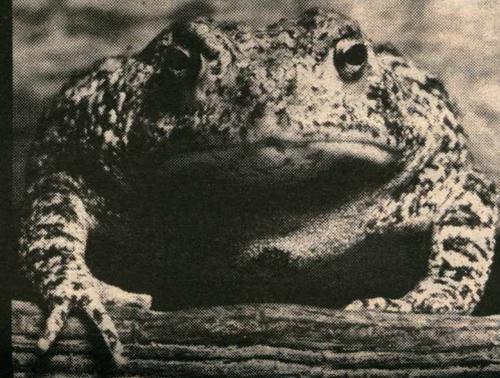
It is time for America and its citizens to face up to the fact that while it may not be our place as Americans to be the world's judge, jury and police force, it is our position as humans to be aware of world events, because how much we understand the world and what goes on in it, that is how much we understand ourselves.



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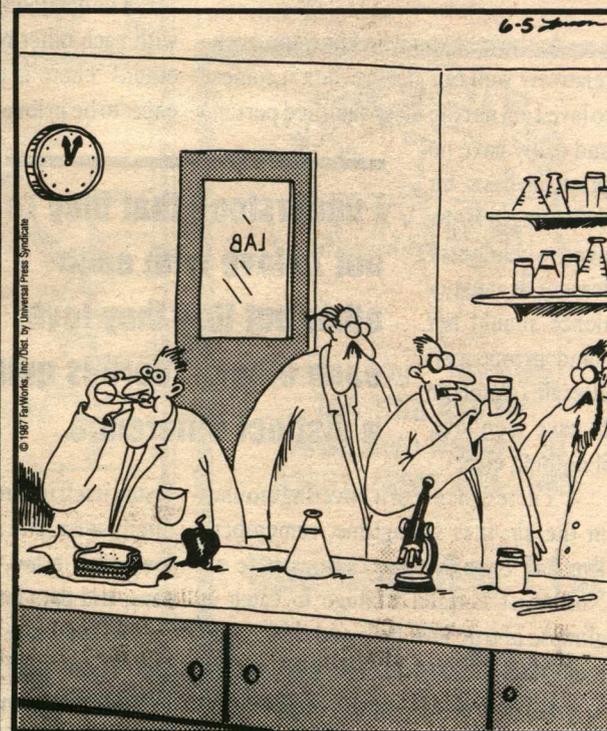


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## OPINIONS

# Chapel noise due to more than squeaky pews

BY JOHN FRALEY & MASON VAIL  
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"Did you hear Gene's message this morning?"

"No."

"You skipped chapel?"

"No, I was there."

"You were asleep?"

"Nope. Stayed awake."

"Doing homework?"

"Not a chance."

"Then why didn't you hear his message?"

"The schmucks behind me wouldn't shut up."

It's funny that this seems to be happening more and more often these days. Sometimes I'm glad I don't bring deadly weapons to chapel. It might enter my head to use them at some point on those who forget what purpose chapel is supposed to fulfill. Would Jesus be thinking those kinds of violent thoughts? Without a doubt. Okay, maybe not... but we do.

Sarcasm aside, is it just us, or is

chapel becoming less of a worship time and more of a regularly scheduled excuse for a social event? Get us straight -- we're not fussing about saying 'hi' as chapel begins and 'bye' as it ends; nor are we griping for the sake of filling Crusader pages. We're seriously offended by the sheer rudeness that some people display between 10 and 11am on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

It is truly amazing that any conversation would take place at full volume for a half hour while an excellent chaplain/speaker delivers a pertinent message!

We used to believe that everyone had at least a vague grasp of the meaning of respect by the time they reached college. Then again, we've forfeited a great many other beliefs in the last couple years so let's add that one to the pile.

We realize that this problem of chapel noise is not a new one, and that there is probably no way of eliminating it entirely. The generations before us were probably no more or less respectful than we

are. However, we somehow doubt that so many good speakers were insulted by so many in so little a time.

And it's not only speakers that feel the brunt of our disrespect. Try to recall when our regionally acclaimed Concert Band performed on April 8. The roar died down a little during specific instrumental solos, but that Friday certainly qualified as one of the most obvious manifestations of the noise problem.

Is it so hard to keep quiet? Just think. Lots of reasonable and mature-sounding alternatives exist to talking incessantly during chapel.

Doing homework is a quiet occupation that allows you to be plenty disrespectful. You can read. You can write a letter to your boyfriend in a faraway land. You can pick your nose, for all we care, as long as you do it quietly.

Heck, the pews are really comfortable, especially if you went to bed late the previous night (that would be due to the fact that your boyfriend was not in a

faraway place). If you desperately have to talk, write notes—or learn sign language.

Maybe we'll ask Gene to direct a 40-minute prayer service, since noise is usually minimal when someone is praying. It's great how silence sets in as soon as a designated prayer leader begins an invocation as if God wasn't already there before and after the spoken prayer. Try to remember Who you're insulting when you start to talk again.

We know we've already been a little brutal and sarcastic, and we aren't perfect either, but our point is simple. There might be some people who like to listen in chapel, and some of these people can get aggravated by continuous noise while they commune with their Creator.

We can all help preserve their sanity by following the above rules, which really aren't that restrictive.

After all, do you really care to go back to chapel monitors and alphabetical seating? Didn't think so.

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# The worthy goal of true and selfless love

JOHN FRALEY  
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*Editor's note: This article is the first of two that deal with the nature of love. Next week's Crusader will feature an opposing view by Mason Vail.*

As those of you who know me even relatively well can attest, when it comes to love I am not the most qualified person and really have no practical basis for discussing it. However, such petty reasons as inexperience should not stand in my way; after all, I can claim to have seen love, if nothing else.

There's plenty of it hovering around in the air; it is springtime, remember. I've had enough opportunities here at Northwest Nuptial College to catch a glimpse of true love here and there. Actually, I think I've been in near proximity to genuine love of all sorts ever since my birth.

When I look at my parents I see lots

of good stuff concerning love. I was really lucky to have grown up in a loving home where encouragement and loving instruction was the norm. It was great to live with two married adults who demonstrated (and who still demonstrate) their enduring love.

I understood that they're not in love with each other but that they love each other. There is quite a distinct difference: to be in love is a feeling, and generally a warm fuzzy one at that, but to love is an action -- a noble goal worth striving for.

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The great thing about the active love I witnessed growing up was that it manifested itself in three ways—romantically, family-wise, and spiritually. My parents love each other, they love their three sons, and they love God.

When I look at my friends I also see lots of good stuff concerning love. I see couples and plenty of them. Too many maybe, but that's beside the point.

When I look at these couples I see

many differences: different types of people together, different ways couples demonstrate their affection, different modes of communication, different expectations, and consequently different results. But I see one unifying trait.

In every relationship that works for an extended period of time, there is a common bond: unselfishness. There is more to true love than the need for companionship; there is that desire to make the other person truly happy. Is this motive spiritual? Is it mystical? On the pessimistic side, is it mythical, merely a figment of my imagination? Nah. Whatever it is, it's real and it's found some people out there.

It's always beneficial to check out what those wiser than you have to say about what makes true love special. Consequently, I see what well-versed authors have to say about love. Two weeks ago, I finished Leo Tolstoy's *Anna Karenin*. One of the main themes was the striking contrast of the relationships between the four main characters. One of the relationships was healthy and uplifting; the other was unhealthy and depressing. While the first one was built upon selfless service, the second was a

purely selfish, physical, ultrapassionate affair. Tolstoy seemed to be asserting that selfishness in love only leads to unhappiness, and that is not what love is all about.

I look at my God. I see something amazing: eternal love. I am not even remotely worthy of attempting to explain His love—I can only characterize it as perfect, which is beyond comprehension anyway. It transcends definition. Christ's death on the cross was one of selfless love, and of a kind that brings ultimate happiness.

What is the unifying point of all this? Quite simply: love is good! Sure, its different forms aggravate some people, delight others, and alienate still more. Sure, no other human emotion has been more perverted by misunderstanding and sin over the course of time, but these human shortcomings do not diminish the ideal of true love.

And how do I know this love actually exists? Because I've seen it at work. Not only is love good, love is real, and true love is selfless. So if you find true love somehow, sometime, somewhere, run with it! Take full advantage of your chance at happiness.

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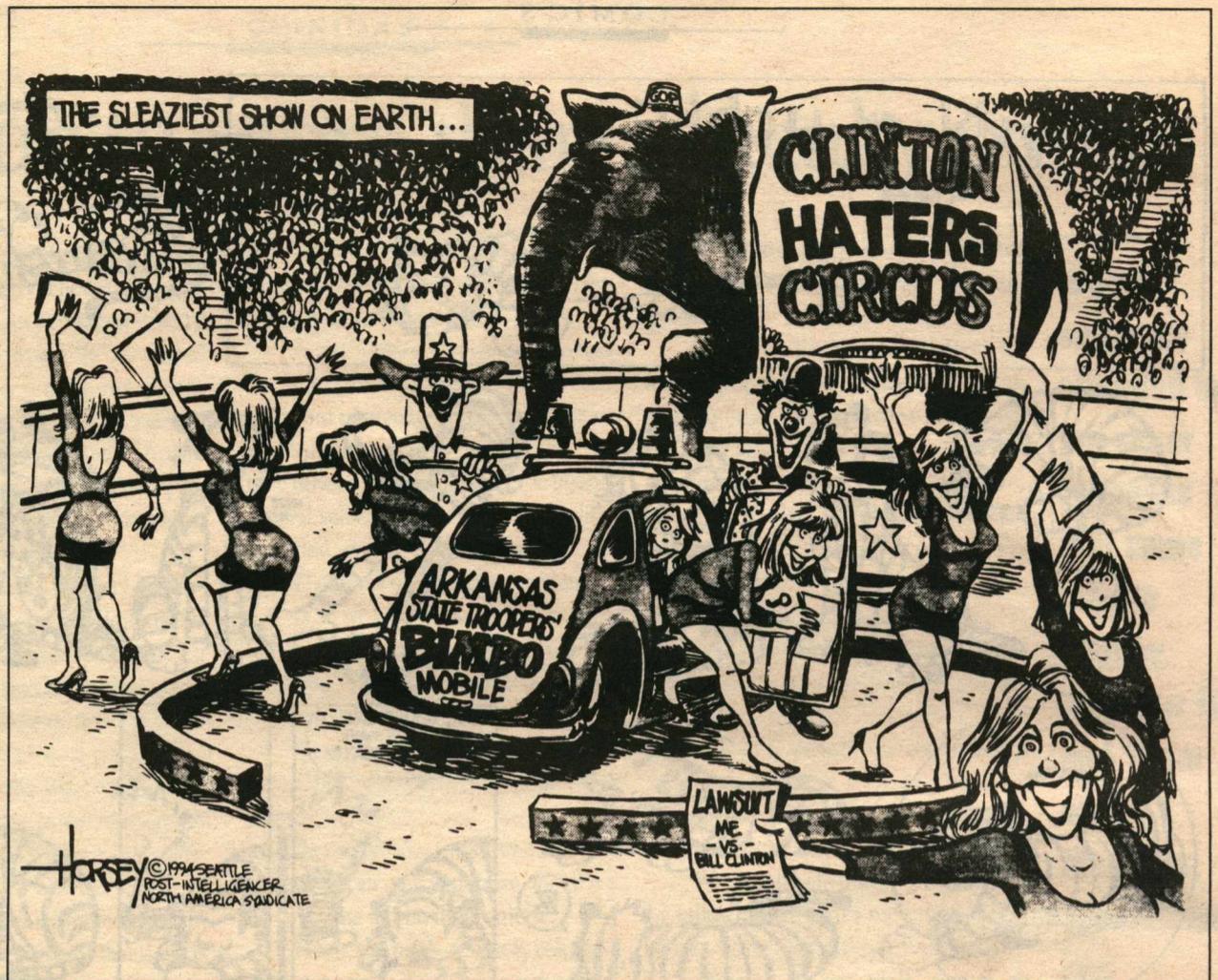


## Top Ten

### Top Ten Reasons NNC Females Don't Want the Kind of Guys Described in "Top Ten Things that NNC Men Are Looking For in a Potential Mate."

10. Says things like "stinkin' hilarious".
9. Altoid breath.
8. Won't actually classify as "men" for another couple years.
7. Oedipus complex.
6. Says things like "that's money."
5. Hopes to graduate by the age of 30.
4. Breaks out in a rash every time he hears the word "marriage."
3. Shares a brain with his friends (which they keep in a jar of Formaldehyde in the bathroom).
2. Says things like "my bad."
1. Actually likes that funny smell in Chapman.

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### Top Ten Reasons Why Canceling Star Trek: The Next Gen. is for the Best

10. Galactic dishcrew discovers that Worf's head makes a great dish drainer.
9. Captain Picard accepts new post as Mr. Clean Spokesman.
8. Wesley Crusher is caught raiding Morrison Hall and is banished to a desert moon and forced to watch taped episodes of "Silver Spoons."
7. Ferengi buy-out.
6. Crew beams up Curley McLain for a root'en toot'en hoedown!
5. Dr. Crusher and Data permanently bonded after a prostate check-up.
4. Hostile attack by look-a-like Starfleet Officers Dr. Owens and Wantland.
3. Schandorf preaching from James Holodek program stuck on continual play.
2. Deanna Troy hits mid-life and Enterprise is obliterated by triple-strength Betazoid sex drive.
1. Jealous Kirk fights for Geordi's groovy x-ray glasses.

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