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II Who is the fairest of them all?" The abundance of beauty on campus has been stated by many a Chapman Hall freshman. "WO-oW, look at that sophomore babe!" they cry.

Over the summer four NNC students participated in scholarship pageants -- better known as beauty pageants. There, these four NNC coeds were judged on their poise, talent, fitness, and interview ability. Page 4 will tell you who they were.

Need a pick-me-up? Maybe a Sader-espresso will do it.

Story on Page 3

Column One _

It is already the second week of school and along with the grueling homework and quizzes comes issue 2 of The Crusader.

For the Crusader staff, this means a sleepless night of agony and exhilaration all mixed together in preparation for the issue.

However, for you, the reader, our agony means a great issue for you. We've received lots of compliments on the new "look" of The Crusader and we're interested to hear what you think. We are always willing to except criticism or praise, although we always are more capable of attracting the former. Anyway, we're waiting

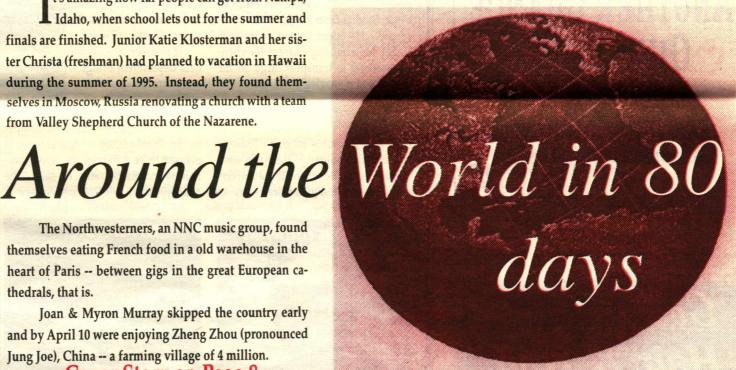
to hear from you.

t's amazing how far people can get from Nampa, Idaho, when school lets out for the summer and finals are finished. Junior Katie Klosterman and her sister Christa (freshman) had planned to vacation in Hawaii during the summer of 1995. Instead, they found themselves in Moscow, Russia renovating a church with a team from Valley Shepherd Church of the Nazarene.

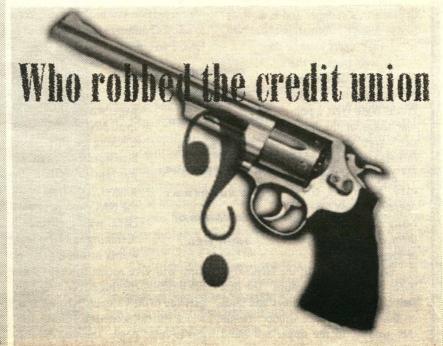
The Northwesterners, an NNC music group, found themselves eating French food in a old warehouse in the heart of Paris -- between gigs in the great European cathedrals, that is.

Joan & Myron Murray skipped the country early and by April 10 were enjoying Zheng Zhou (pronounced Jung Joe), China -- a farming village of 4 million.

The Cover Story on Page 8 will give you a glimpse into what these, and others from NNC, did with their summer vacation.



Has Michael W. Smith hit middle age? & Don't get Hacked off -- Reviews, Page 14



as it a disgruntled student? An out-ofwork Nazarene pastor? No one knows for sure, but at 1:34 p.m. on Monday, the Nazarene of Nampa Federal Credit Union was robbed as five employees and three customers stood by in helpless amazement.

Exclusive . . . Interviews with eye witnesses who were in the credit union at the time of the robbery.

> Story on Page 5



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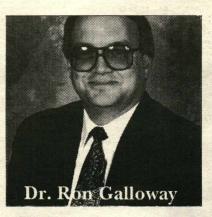
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Professors add new insight to academics



The 1995-96 academic year is host

Dr. Darlene Townsend, professor

to several new NNC faculty members,

each possessing a unique background.

of counseling, earned her doctorate in

counselor education and counseling

from Idaho State University in 1991.

She had taught part-time at NNC from

the summer of 1993 until the present.

Dr. Townsend feels God led her to NNC,

and she intends to remain here until

retirement. She said, "I don't desire to

go anywhere else unless He tells me

ment said he wants "to provide other

students with the good education NNC

gave to me." He earned his Ph.D. in

Urban Studies from Portland State Uni-

versity. He spent several years with

NASA determining charges for clien-

tele wishing to transport cargo on the

shuttle and managing training curricu-

department graduated from NNC in

1977 with a double major in Philoso-

phy and Psychology. Johnson went

through graduate school at the Univer-

Dr. Ric Johnson of the psychology

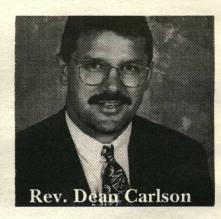
Dr. Beymer of the business depart-

Dr. Darlene Townsend

the area of decision-making. He enjoys NNC's status as a distinctly Christian, liberal arts school. "I like to teach in an environment where our faith is integrated with our academic pursuits," said Johnson.

Rev. Dean Carlson has started the new year as NNC's missionary in residence. In 1989, he became a part of the Southern African Regional Team in Swaziland, a group that seeks to expand the building of church communities throughout Africa and supports African missionaries in other countries. He is optimistic about the future of Christian evangelism. "I believe I will see a strong Christian presence in every country within my lifetime," said Carlson. "We're closer to that today than we've ever been before."

Professor Armstrong of the business department brings with him several years of experience as a public and private accountant. His resume also includes a position as a budget analyst for the Westinghouse Hanford Company in Washington. Armstrong is pleased to be a part of the NNC community and plans to stay: He said, "The atmosphere in a Christian college is

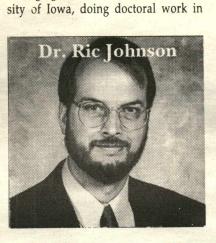


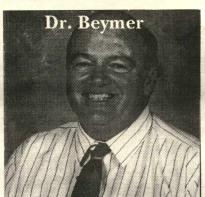
such that I could be here for the long-term."

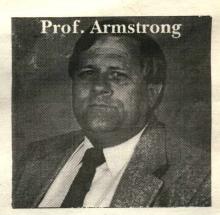
Dr. Ronald Galloway is the chairman of the Department of Business and Economics. Galloway received a Ph.D. in Leadership and Human Behavior Studies and a masters in Management and Organizational Development from U.S. International University in San Diego. The offer to teach at NNC was unexpected, but he felt the move was a result of "God's leading in my life at this point, he said, [I've] been preparing for a career that obviously would lead to something in the academic world. This was one of the opportunities that opened up."

NNC's physics department has received Dr. Galen Duree, Jr., an NNC graduate in physics from 1989. Duree attended the University of Arkansas for graduate school and he received his doctorate earlier this year. Duree is happy to have the opportunity to meet with NNC students and extend his knowledge and experience to them. He said, "I want to know the students and help them be the best they can."

ANTHONY SYME







NNC improves Internet technology

The NNC web page saw a major upgrade this summer and is now online providing information about NNC to Internet users worldwide.

THE NNC

INTERNET WEB

PAGE SAW A

MAJOR UPGRADE

THIS SUMMER AT

THE HANDS OF

JOHN NEIL.

A web page is the term used to designate a hype-text site on the World Wide Web, a popular usage of the Internet. Web pages often include sound and colorful graphics along with easy "point and click" operation so any user can easily maneuver through them with little computer knowledge.

Gaining access to the NNC Web pages is a simple procedure. The first step is to start up Windows and click on the Internet Office Group. Inside this group, in the upper left hand

corner, is an icon titled Netscape. Double clicking on this button gives access to a host of different services offered by NNC's web pages.

Once the NNC logo becomes clear on the screen, scroll down the home page, which gives access to all NNC's other pages. Clicking on any of the blue words, such as "Campus Info" or "Internet Resources," will send you to the NNC web page associated with the word.

Clicking on the blue words in these pages, in

turn, will give access to other pages. For instance, clicking on "Campus Info" gets you to the Campus Info page, from which you can access the "Current Campus Events" page. This page will dis-

play a list of all the events of the coming week, as well as all the recent NNC soccer and volleyball scores. There are a variety of NNC pages that can be accessed and more are being added every day.

John Neil, a math professor at BSU and son of NNC professors Ralph and Lynn Neil, designed and upkeeps the Web page. "What appears on the web," he said, "is the result of part-time work over the past three months." One of the planned additions to the web is a full student directory, which may include pictures of every student on campus. "Web pages are never done," said Neil. Instead, they evolve over time as the needs of the institution and the users of the page change."

By David Stillman Staff Writer

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Students ring in new school year with belches

"Welcome Week" began Tuesday with a victorious volleyball game. Immediately following, hundreds of students filled the Chapman lawn for

rootbeer floats, burping contests and the thrill-omedy Arachnophobia ..

Professional student and burping contest veteran, James Duckworth,

along with freshman Stacie Tuckness were crowned "Belch King and Queen" and were anointed with a case of Hershey Bars and a six-pack of Mug Rootbeer.

"Rootbeer Fest was a blast. I loved the movie because it was funny and scary and I got to watch all of my friends that are girls scream and jump,

PARTY SATURDAY NIGHT. (FRAHM)

said Adam Watkins.

JEREMY AMES SAID THAT HE

ENJOYED BEING DRESSED AS A

NERD AT THE

ROLLERSCAMMING PARTY ON

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Despite the wind and cooler temperatures, more than 325 people gathered around the gazebo on Wednesday

night for the year's first Time Out. Praise choruses were lead by "Dave and Friends" and Carl Ganske preformed the difficult task of supporting the

overhead screen from the wind. "How is your love life?" began speaker Kab Benefield, as giggles arose from the audience. He shared a heartwarming story of the girl of his dreams... in kindergarten. Kab then challenged everyone in attendance to fall in love with God above all others.

"Boob Tube at the Brick" was a

star-studded event outside the Brick House Thursday evening. Those who knew their television theme song trivia competed in "Name That Tune." The winner, Heather Slater, received a CD which played 65 theme songs from everyone's favorite TV

A Cindy Brady look-a-like was the recipient of the grand prize-- a still- working black and white found laying around in the Brick House. "It went really well," replied Sa-



BRICK HOUSE CHARLIE'S ANGELS (F. POTALES, S. STERK, AND J. WATSON) HOLD GILLIGAN (RYAN KETCHUM) AT GUNPOINT. (FRAHM)

"BOOB TUBE AT THE BRICK"

WAS A STAR-STUDDED EVENT

OUTSIDE THE BRICK HOUSE

THURSDAY EVENING.

the 150 students in attendance were Jaws Pool Party. there in a costume."

"Hilda of the Hills", "Partier in

P.J.s", and "Nerd in Knickers" name just a few of the costumes sighted Friday night at Rollerscamming.

Even though the tradition of dressing up was not advertised, there was still a large turnout in

costume. Skating must not be a serious sport because Jeremy Ames said he enjoyed being dressed as a nerd.

Following the volleyball team's loss to Lewis and Clark State College, the hooded Dave Miller and acrobatic Chris Moore thrilled the audience with their half-pike, double turn with a side rah Sterk, "as most of of cartwheel jumps into the pool at the

For many of the 50 people in attendance, this was the highlight of Satur-

day evening, although most would agree that the event would have been better if more people would have shown up.

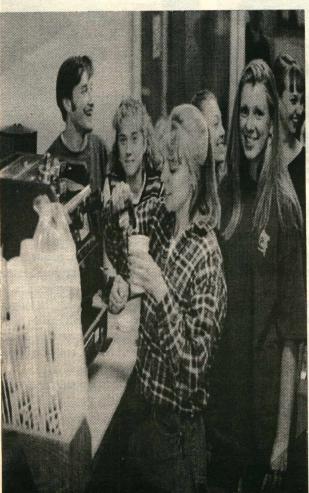
Welcome week was a hit! It provided opportunities for the newly-updated student body to get to know each other a little better.

The next time the campus will congregate in such numbers will be finals week... in the library.

AMBER LEWIS

BRAD WILLIAMSON SHOWS OFF HIS STUFF AT THE POOL

Espresso wave finally hits NNC's student center



You may have noticed or even partaken of the free coffee and tea recently offered in the book store.

Barbara Hull, bookstore employee, said that this summer she thought that it would be nice for students, staff and faculty to have a place to "get away" for a while.

From that idea, Hull sectioned off a coffee break area in the book store accompanied with various newspapers, journals and devotions for all to read.

The book store provides the coffee, tea, mugs and occasionally, unannounced treats, said Hull.

This luxury will expand this week into the Student Center Lounge.

Director of Leadership Development, Carey Cook, said that an espresso cart will offer NNC students lattes and mochas starting this Monday.

"We are going to start out with lattes and mochas made with La Pavoni espresso," Cook said. "And then we'll see how this goes off and try later to add more drinks and snacks."

Cook said the espresso cart is a joint venture between the Associated Students of Northwest Nazarene College and student development office.

There are several reasons for this

new accessory to the student center.

"First the cart will provide more student employment and second we want everyone to take advantage of it so the funds raised will help provide more improvements to the center and make it more comfortable for students, said Cook.

Lattes and mochas can be purchased for \$.95 plus tax. Irish Creme, Vanilla and Hazelnut will be the staple flavorings available and other additional flavors will rotate each week.

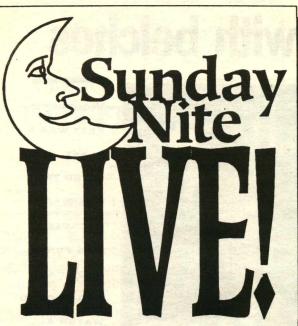
Cook has many hopes for this joint venture at the college. One of them is creating a more welcoming atmosphere with a popular and affordable luxury.

The Espresso Cart is also looking for a good, strong, hearty name. Enter your ideas next time you stop by for a latte or even just to check out the cart.

The Espresso Cart is not the only place to get good gourmet coffee on campus. For the third year running, the Top Ten Cafe will be starting up again next Thursday at the BRICK House. The Cafe runs from 8p.m. until 12a.m. every Thursday.

RY CHRISTI KIISHI AN STAFF WRITER





STUDENT LED PRAISE & WORSHIP Sunday Nights Beginning October 1 7:30 p.m. at The Brick House

Sponsored by College Church of the Nazarene 504 E. Dewey • Nampa • 466-8421 Senior Pastor: Daniel Ketchum Pastor of Students: Michael O'Neill

I went from house to house, getting any food or clothes they Then I handed it all out to any needy people in the

Jack Powell is one of the little answers to the big problems facing every community in America. And because there are more people than problems, things will get done. All you have to do is something. Do anything.



Do something good. Feel something real.



Music artists to perform in Nampa

Pray for Rain, Jars of Clay and The Kry

rene will play host to two of Christian music's hottest groups October 17 (7:30). PFR (more formally known as Pray for Rain) and Jars of Clay will be appearing together in concert for only the second time ever in Idaho.

According to Dave Bomar, director of college ministries at Nampa First, PFR is heavily influenced by the Beatles and has an alternative sound. Their three releases (most recently is Great Lengths) has garnered praise from critics in both the secular and religious markets.

Jars of Clay is a relatively new group and features a light alternative sound. They use acoustic strings and guitar but synthesized drums. Jars has also received much critical praise and

Nampa First Church of the Naza- has even had some play on MTV. Only last year, they were a relatively unknown college group at Greenville College in Greenville, Illinois until being discovered this last year.

Bomar suggests that NNC students wait a week until ASNNC has the chance to review a proposal which would allow students to buy tickets at a reduced cost.

If ASNNC does not adopt a proposal to buy reduced tickets in bulk, tickets for general admission will be available for \$6 in advance or \$8 at the door. For more information call Don Bergland or Dave Bomar at Nampa First Church of the Nazarene at 466-3549.

Also, coming to Nampa in October is the Kry, a rock group with an alternative edge. They will be appear-

ing at NNC Prevue Days on October 27. Although the concert is designed for high school students who will be visiting NNC, there will be limited tickets available for Northwest Nazarene College students.

According to Robbyn Lande in the NNC Admissions Office, ticket information will be available in several weeks, as soon as the number of students attending Prevue Days is deter-

Appearing at the Bois State University Pavilion on October 3 is Clay Crosse, Kathy Troccoli and 4Him. Tickets are available through Select-a-Seat and several area Christian bookstores for \$13.

CRUSADER PRESS SERVICES

Students adjust to schedule change

Even after the first week of classes, many people around campus are still not quite sure how they feel about the new schedule of class times. Some feel that it's great, while others cannot think of anything worse.

For those students who have not figured out a difference between this year's and last year's schedule, the most obvious and controversial difference is the lack of a specified time for lunch.

Rather than having a forty minute lunch between third and fourth periods, students only have a ten minute

Heather Morgan feels that the rush at lunch now."

schedule is not that great. When she finally has the chance after class, the "good food" is gone and she has to resort to the Sader Grill. "It's fine once, but five days a week of hamburgers ain't gonna happen!"

In the past, lunch was the only time people got to spend with their friends because of differing class schedules. With the new schedule those times are rare.

Marriott also has differing views on the change. Rachel Sanders, one of the assistant student managers, stated, "It's great. We don't have as big of a

Lee Palo, a full-time employee, expressed concern at the lack of workers during lunch. At times, workers will head to class, leaving only one or two people to work in the dishroom when a whole crew is needed.

"It's a little hectic. Instead of one rush, we've got smaller rushes at dif-

The overall feeling on campus is that the schedule is fine. Either the changes do not affect people, or they simply eat at different times.

BY SHANE BUNN

Corbin finds Bunch of Joy in pageants

Who is the fairest of them all? The abundance of beauty on campus has been affirmed by many, but few realize that some of our beauties have been judged in pageants.

Over the summer four of our NNC students participated in scholarship pageants. Julie Bunch took part in the Miss Idaho Pageant where she was first runner up. The Miss Idaho American Co-ed Pageant winner was Nicole Corbin. Joy Eshelman was a competitor in the Miss Boise Pageant, and Heidi Sheffield competed in the Miss Meridian Pageant.

Corbin will go on to the national pageant in November. Bunch, on the other hand, just returned from the Miss Sweetheart America pageant in Hoopestown, IL -- a pageant for the first runner up in all state pageants sponsored by the Miss America System of Pageants.

The criteria for point breakdown usually puts the interview at 40%, talent 30%, swimsuit 15%, and evening gown 15%. Point values vary slightly from pageant to pageant.

The girls prepare throughout the year for their pageant. . Not only will they exercise and eat well to keep themselves healthy, but it is important for them to keep up on current events and their platform issue.

The platform issue is the specific issue each contestant holds. If they win their pageant, that issue becomes the focus of their program.





STOWN, IL. SHE GIVES UP HER CROWN ON THANKSGIVING WEEKEND, THE SAME WEEKEND THAT NICOLE CORBIN WILL COMPETE IN ORLANDO, FL.

The interview is the largest part of any pageant. It is during this time that judges try to focus on who the person they're interviewing is and how knowledgeable they are on the issues facing their world.

College age pageant competitors have usually been participating in various pageants for three to five years, depending on the age range for the pageant they enter. Some, are for girls aged three to nineteen, which are broken down into smaller age groups. Others, such as Miss America, range from age 19 to 24.

Most pageants begin at the local level where the winner continues on to the state level. From there, the state winner will move to the nationals for that pageant. Although, some pageants

do go directly from state to nationals.

With the exception of Miss USA, pageants are actually scholarship competitions. Joy Eshelman pointed out that "the one thing that gives more money to women for scholarships is the Miss America pageant." The judges will focus on how intellectually well rounded the contestants are, their poise, their fitness and health, and what kind of person they are.

"It's more than a beauty thing, it's getting to know the person. It's not as beauty oriented as people think. They build self-confidence and a lot of them instill values that you need for life." said Nicole Corbin.

By Shannon Adams

Gunman on bicycle robs Nazarene of Nampa

Credit Union tellers and members held at gunpoint

A lone gunman heisted a small amount of cash from Nazarene of Nampa Federal Credit Union Monday, holding tellers and credit union members at gunpoint.

Witnesses to the incident say a

short, dark complexioned male entered

the credit union on the corner of Holly

and Sheridan in Nampa at about 1:30

p.m.. The man brandished a pistol,

quietly demanded cash from at least

one teller and rode away from the scene

the building at the time including

NNFCU President R. Bruce Moore, who

didn't realize a hold-up was in progress

until it was almost over because things

were so quiet. Three credit union mem-

bers were making transactions at the

time. No shots were fired from the

robber's weapon, believed by the Nam-

pa Police to be a 38 Special, and no one

into the credit union and without fan-

fare declared in a quiet voice, "This is a

hold-up". A witness to the robbery,

The armed man walked quietly

was physically injured.

Eight employees were working in

on a bicycle.

Who robbed the credit union?

who wished to be left anonymous, said that the assailant's mild manner led at least one teller to think it was a joke.

"I was talking to a teller when the guy came in and walked up within a couple of feet behind me and said, 'This

is a hold-up," the witness said. "The teller laughed and thought it was a joke, saying 'We really don't have time for this'. I think she thought it was someone she knew pulling a prank."

NNFCU President Moore said that pranksters occasionally say

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things like that, not realizing that it isn't appropriate. The tellers usually

take these statements in a light fashion. Moore stressed that prank statements make financial institutions very nervous.

The man said it again, a little louder, and everyone realized that he had a gun and was serious. "I realized he had a gun when he was about three feet

from me. He told everyone not to move and then asked for money," the witness said. "I stepped back from him

and he pointed his pistol at me and said, 'I told you not to move.' I snapped back at him that I wasn't moving."

Some witnesses at the scene initially thought that the gun was a fake. As one individual moved towards the gunman, he pulled back the hammer and it made a deep metallic 'click'.

"When I moved towards him, he cocked the pistol and told me to sit down," the witness said. "I moved to the nearest chair that I could see, not the one he wanted me to sit in, and he said, 'I told you to sit down!' 'I'm sitting down over here,' I yelled back."

The assailant took the money from at least one teller and hurried out the door leaving so quickly that he failed to grab money that other tellers were holding up. On his way out, he said, "Have a nice day" and "If you follow, you'll be dead."

The gunman rode off on a red 10 speed bicycle. By the time Nampa Police arrived he was long gone, witnesses said.

One witness did phone 911 a few minutes later, thinking that they had seen the robber on his bike near Edmark Chevrolet on the Nampa-Caldwell Boulevard as they

drove home from the incident.

It is still unclear whether the suspect seen was the same or another perNAZAREIK O NAZAREIK DERAL CREATUUNDA FEDERAL CREATUUNDA

son with similar clothing and a bicycle. Police are still on the look-out for the robber.

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NEAR EDMARK

The amount of cash purloined from the credit union is undisclosed. Nampa Police shift commander Bob LaFluer said, "He got away with more than a Circle K but less than a brinks job."

It is doubtful that the cash amounted to much, considering that credit unions rarely hold much money in cash, NNFCU President Moore said. "Most of our transactions are on paper. We only keep enough cash around to satisfy the small needs of our members."

This is the first robbery in Nazarene of Nampa's 42 year history. The credit union closed for two hours as the Nampa Police got witness statements and suspect descriptions.

"The number one thing that we are concerned about is that nobody is hurt," Moore said. NNFCU employees take periodic courses that teach them how to handle robberies. The credit union also has procedures in place for dealing with robbery situations.

The suspect is said to be a dark complexion or tanned male, age 25 to 35. He is between 5 foot 5 inches and 5 foot 11 inches, weighing between 135 and 170 pounds. He wore black sunglasses, had a scraggly 7-10 day beard, wore a blue satin baseball jacket with dark trousers and a blue and white baseball cap with a mesh back. Witnesses say it was difficult to see the gunman's face because his cap was pulled down over the eyes.

As of Monday evening Nampa Police did not have a composite sketch available.

Popcorn guru and commercial personality dies

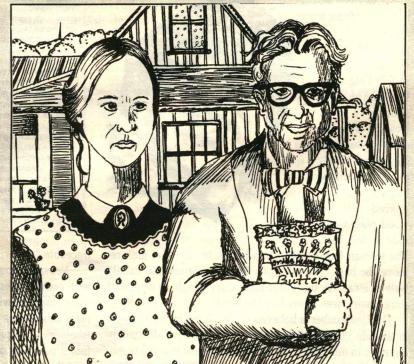
Redenbacher leaves legacy of honest values and good popcorn

Americans mourn the loss of one of the TV generation's most beloved pitchmen. Orville Redenbacher, the self-made popcorn multimillionaire and widely known commercial personality died September 19th of unknown causes.

The 88-year-old popcorn guru started growing popping corn to earn money as a young boy and eventually turned his family farm into a multimillion dollar agribusiness. He was best known for his slow Midwestern speech, honest back home appearance, red bow tie, and turn-of-the-century haircut.

As a native of Indiana and graduate of Purdue University, Redenbacher devoted his life to agriculture, beginning his professional career as a county agricultural agent. Meanwhile, he spent his free time developing 30,000 corn hybrids on the family farm.

Over a span of 40 years, Redenbacher developed a high quality breed of popping corn that he made into his own line of popcorn. He attempted to market his product without success under various labels until, at the advice of a friend, he labeled the popcorn with his own name. At 58, Redenbacher's popcorn was a success.



Part of Redenbacher's genius was not only that he developed his own popcorn, but that he was its best salesman. Redenbacher did all of the advertising for Orville Redenbacher's Gourmet Popcorn.

"He's been one of the greatest forces for promoting popcorn. It'll be a great loss," said William E. Smith, executive director of the Chicago-based Popcorn Institute.

In the 1970's, Redenbacher and his partner sold the brand for 2 million dollars, but Redenbacher was kept as the line's pitchman. The brand is now owned by Hunt-Wesson.

By RACHEL ROEMHILDT STAFF WRITER

BY DAVID ROEMHILDT GLOBAL EDITOR Spokane

Ruby Ridge

Boise

Idaho stand-off raises ruckus in Washington D.C.

Death of Vicki Weaver and FBI shoot-to-kill at heart of subcommittee probe

FBI SNIPERS SHOT AND KILLED RANDY WEAVER'S WIFE, VICKI WEAVER. SHE WAS STANDING AT THE OPEN DOOR OF THE WEAVER'S CABIN WITH HER 10-MONTH-OLD DAUGHTER IN HER ARMS. Shoot on sight.

That was the meaning of the orders given by the FBI during the 1992 Ruby Ridge standoff in which a woman and boy were killed by FBI sharpshooters. Those orders are now the main focus of Senate Subcommittee hearings on the FBI and its conduct during the 11-day standoff in northern

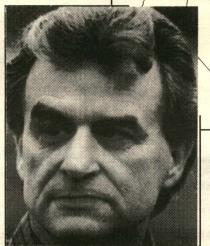
The Ruby Ridge incident came after an 18-month surveillance of Randy Weaver, a white separatist, by the US Marshals Service. Weaver, who had sold illegal firearms to an undercover FBI agent, had failed to appear in court to face the weapons charges. The US Marshals Service, which is responsible for fugitives, was sent in to apprehend

While on a reconnaissance mission, a team of marshals ran into Weaver, his son Sammy, and Weaver's friend Kevin Harris. A confrontation broke out in which 14 year old Sammy Weaver and US Marshal William Degan were

The FBI's Hostage Rescue Team was brought in. Snipers were set up around the Weaver's property with instructions that they "can and should" shoot any armed adult male.

The instructions were very unusual given the standard FBI policy on the use of deadly force states that agents

can only use deadly force to defend their own lives or the lives of others from what they believe to be the threat of death or grievous bodily harm.



RANDY WEAVER

During the first day that the snipers were there, FBI sniper Lon Horiuchi shot and killed Randy Weaver's wife, Vicki Weaver. She was standing at the open door of the Weaver's cabin with her 10-month-old daughter in her arms. It is unclear whether Horiuchi was attempting to shoot Kevin Haris, whether he thought Vicki Weaver was Kevin Harris or whether the snipers had been given orders to target Vicki Weaver.

The special instructions for shooting on sight were reversed in following days, and no other shots were fired for the remaining eight days of the stand-

The death of Vicki Weaver during this unfortunate incident has brought a lot of attention to the FBI and why they had given the special shoot on sight instructions contrary to standard

Idaho Senator Larry Craig is one of many people who want some answers. Senator Craig was among the first to call for a Justice Department investigation. Craig and his colleague, Idaho Senator Dirk Kempthorne, cosponsored legislation that eventually started the current senate subcommit-

'As long as the questions raised in the Weaver case remain unresolved, public confidence in our law enforcement is undermined and their effectiveness is diminished," Craig said.

At the core of these hearings are the special instructions, called the rules of engagement, that were in effect during the standoff. The main question posed by the subcommittee is whether or not the rules of engagement, which included "can and should" shoot any armed male on sight, were constitutional. If they were not, Vicki Weaver had her constitutional rights violated when she became a target.

Serious question arose about the constitutionality of theFBI's conduct. Many Americans feel that if a division of the federal government will not uphold constitutional rights, then no one will. The senate subcommittee hearings will attempt to flush out the answers as to the causes of the Ruby Ridge tragedy.

BY TOBY HAZEN

UNABOMBER gets manifesto published using threats

The Washington Post and The New York Times in the interest of public safety, met the Unabomber's demand to publish his manifesto this past Tuesday.

The Unabomber said three months before that if the papers refused to print his manifesto, he would be forced to kill again. Three people have died while 23 people were injured by 16 mail bombs since 1978.

The 35,000-word manifesto describes a Luddite view of anti-industry. The Unabomber writes science and technology are "permanently reducing human beings and many other living organisms to engineered products and mere cogs in the social machine." He promotes "revolution against the industrial system" and urges a return to "wild nature."

The FBI and the Justice Department urged the newspapers to print the essay.

"Recent publications of excerpts by newspapers and other publications, as well as the review by selected academicians, have resulted in numerous investigatory leads which continue to be followed," remarked FBI spokeswom-

The search for the Unabomber has endured almost twenty years at a cost of an estimated \$50 million. The federal government has offered a \$1 million reward for information leading to the Unabomber's capture.

Michael Rustigan, a criminologist at San Francisco State University who has studied the Unabomber for almost twenty years, said that publishing the manifesto is probably the FBI's best chance for apprehending this elusive serial bomb-

"Basically, it's going to be the public that solves it -- a neighbor, maybe a former professor, or employer, saying 'Yeah, I remember that phrase," Rustigan said.

The FBI has set up a hotline for anyone with information about the Unabomber. The hotline number is 1-(800) 701-2662.

The FBI does have some theories of about the Unabomber. He is believed to a white male, about 5 feet 10 inches tall, 160 pounds, and in his 30's or 40's. He has "a ruddy

complexion and reddish blonde hair.'

This description came from a sighting of the Unabomber on February 20, 1987 in Salt Lake City, Utah. A woman spotted a man wearing a hooded sweatshirt and sunglasses dropping off a laundry bag of what appeared to be wood planks outside a window.

The woman knocked on the window to have the man remove the bag. The man gazed at her, turned and calmly walked away. A short time later, Gary Wright, a computer store owner, was injured by the bomb.

The Unabomber is believed to have lived in the Midwest in the late 1970's and then moved to northern California in the early to mid-1980's. The FBI hypothesize that the bomber is well educated and familiar with university faculties. Also, he is thought to be a loner and has probably never

Over his 17-year reign of terror, the Unabomber has sent bombs to Illinois, Utah, Washington D.C., Tennessee, California, Washington, Michigan, Connecticut, and New Jersey. His targets include universities, airlines, computer store owners, an advertising executive and a timber-indus-

How has the Unabomber escaped capture? The July 10, 1995 issue of Newsweek reported, "none of his 16 devices has contained a single identifiable fingerprint, hair strand or clothing fiber. He uses no electronic parts that might be THE UNABOMBER MANIFESTO EXCERPTS: WHEN WE SPEAK OF LEFTISTS IN THIS ARTICLE WE HAVE

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Newsweek continued, "he also shrewdly avoids contact with postal clerks; the eight bombs he sent through the mail were plastered with regular postage stamps -- not metered. He always types his addresses on white gummed mailing labels. And he probably doesn't lick them; technicians have found no traces of saliva that might yield a DNA match."

All of his bombs contain a calling card, the letters "FC." This is designed to be left over after the bomb explodes. "FC" stands for the Freedom Club or Freedom Collective. It is also thought "FC" stands for some vulgar comment about computers. The Unabomber writes that this club is "strictly anti-communist, anti-socialist, and anti-leftist." However, he writes, "This does not imply that we are in any sense a right-wing movement. We are apolitical. Politics only distracts attention from the real issues."

BY CHRIS BARRETT STAFF WRITER

Bosnia has little hope of peace

Ethnic feud will make peace difficult regardless of U.N.

As Civil War continues in the states of the former Yugoslavia, Westerners often have difficulty pinpointing the causes of this internal struggle. Few outside of the region understand the situation at all; ethnic groups that have lived together for centuries are the region in the fourteenth century, attempting to rid the region of each

The conflict goes back over a millennia, and perhaps would best be described as a feud on a large scale. Though origins and immediate causes of this ethnic struggle are dim, the regions recent history allows some clues as to the bitterness between Serbs, Croatians, and Muslims in the former Yugoslavia.

As the turn of the ninth century approached, the land of the southern Slavs was thrust into turmoil. A mighty army was sweeping through the Alps, while a navy was driving across the Adriatic sea toward the Dalmatian Coast. Their objective was to claim Bosnia for their empire. At the same time, another army was advancing from the east. This army was also determined to take Bosnia for themselves.

These armies, however, were not ordinary armies. They fought, not with shields and spears, but with the word of God. Both the Catholic Church in the West and the Greek Orthodox Church in the East sent legions of missionaries into what would become Yugoslavia to convert the pagan Slavs who lived there.

This could have been the end of the story. Had the Catholic and Greek Orthodox churches had been able to accept each other, the problems that exist in Bosnia today might not have come about. Unfortunately, Catholics regarded the Orthodox church as at best misguided, at worst, heretical. Missionaries of both churches began competing for converts.

Some Slavs became Catholics, while others embraced the Orthodox church. However, a vast majority existed in a perpetual state of confusion, because the Catholic missionaries often contradicted the Orthodox mission-

When the Ottoman Turks invaded many Slavs were converted to Islam, though many Christian Slavs held fast to their faith.

Three distinct cultures thus arose in the Yugoslav area. The Croatians living in the North and East, were Catholics using the Latin alphabet. The Serbs living in the South and West,

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were Greek Orthodox, using the Cyrillic alphabet. The remainder were either Bosnian Muslims or a mix of all three. However, all three groups spoke the same language (and still do), and were from the same larger anthropological group (Slav).

From the fourteenth to sixteenth centuries, the region was under the control of the Ottoman empire, which was preferential to Muslims. In the sixteenth century, Croatia was taken by Austria-Hungary, a western Christian nation, and remained there until after World War I. The Serbs remained in the Ottoman empire until the late 1800's, when they received independence from the Turks after the Crimean

After World War I, the nation of Yugoslavia was created to fill the void of power that remained in the Balkans. Because the Serbs had worked closely with the British duringWorld War I, many of the positions of power went to

Serbs. Slowly, they took away power from the Croatians and Bosnian Muslims, until they were able to abolish the Constitution of Yugoslavia in 1929 and establish what amounted to a Serbian dictatorship.

Many Croatians were upset by this turn of events, and joined the Croatian Ustashe, a fascist organization with links to Benito Mussolini in Italy. Thus, when Hitler invaded in 1940, he placed the Ustashe in charge of a puppet state of Croatia. From 1940 to 1944, the Ustashe killed between 350,000 and 700,000 Serbs, Jews and Gypsies in an attempt to "cleanse" Croatia of Serbian

When Marshal Tito came to power after World War II, he held no war trials and made little effort to punish the Ustashe leadership for their crimes. The Serbs sought justice, and there was none. Over time, some Serbs began to blame the entire Croatian population for not only the killings, but also for their economic problems.

When Tito died in 1980, the tight grip of communism was relaxed, and Yugoslavia slowly began to unravel. When the country fell apart in 1991, fifty years of suppressed hatred was suddenly released, and the region was plunged into a terrible war of retribution. The Serbs avenged the deaths of their countrymen fifty years before. This provided the Bosnian Croats and Muslim to in turn fight for yet more retribution.

In short, the conflict is a blood feud something like that of the Hatfields and the McCoys. In time, perhaps both sides will agree to forgive and forget the sins of the past. But for now all sides are consumed with an insatiable thirst for revenge which will be very difficult to quench.

BY DAVID STILLMAN

AT&T breaks up over failing computer division

was breaking up. Its business will be broken into three new companies specializing in communications services; communications equipment; and computers. Better service for customers was the main reason for the split.

The first division of communications services will retain the AT&T name. This branch is where most of the central telephone services will be provided from.

The equipment company will take care of the business of making and selling the network switching equipment, and other phone equipment.

The failing computer division of AT&T will form the bulk of the third company. AT&T has lost approximately \$500 million on its move into computers, and will lay off 8,500 of its 64,000 workers in that division. The new company will discontinue making personal computers.

The breakup will hopefully help boost sales and save the other divisions

AT&T recently announced that it from going down with the computer (Northwest Bell, Southwest Bell, etc.). division.

> As for how these changes will affect personal phone systems, AT&T says there should not be any trouble for customers, at least for now. The restructuring will not be completed until



next year.

Providing a "one-stop shopping" style of service will make various merchandise and services available to new customers to the company.

This breakup is not the first such one that AT&T has faced. In 1984, AT&T was forced to break off its local networks into the seven Baby Bells

This breakup put an end to a long antitrust investigation by the Justice Department.

This past breakup may affect the new one. Certain aspects of the agreement of 1984 limit any future business that the three new companies will be able to deal in. In effect, these limitations may allow competitors such as MCI and Sprint to surpass AT&T in sales and service.

But rates and costs to the consumer are very unsure. There is no guarantee that AT&T will be able to compete with MCI's low prices once they have split off other areas of the company.

AT&T Chairman Robert E. Allen announced, "AT&T is reinventing itself once again." It truly is new ground, and it very possibly could be shaky

BY SHANE BUNN STAFF WRITER

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MURRAY S TRAVEL TO CHINA

BY ANDREW ZIRSCHKY

Joan and Myron Murray spent three months in Zheng Zhou (pronounced "Jung Joe"), China, this summer -- a city of 4 million located 400 miles west of Bejing and 1000 miles north of Hong Kong.

Myron is Director of Academic Computing at NNC and Joan works as the secretary for the Department of Philosophy and Religion.

Myron was employed by the Zheng Zhou Institute of Light Industry as a computer consultant, although the Murray's real purpose in going to China was as missionaries.

"There's no official ministry permitted because it's a communist country," Joan said. "But you can live your life."

According to the Murray's, Zheng Zhou is a "farming village" of 4 million. Although the economy is supported mostly by

agriculture, Zheng Zhou still exhibits the characteristics of a large city. One of Joan's greatest hardships was surviving the crowds of people.

"There were people everywhere," Joan said. "They're just not used to space, and I couldn't handle it, sometimes I just thought I was going to be choked by people and noise. The Lord gave me a scripture verse, Psalm 18:19, 'He brought me out into a spacious place, he rescued me because he delighted in me.' And that was special to me."



NORTHWESTERNERS TO EUROPE

BY JENNIFER COLES

"Standing in a cathedral that was built 900 years ago for the sole purpose of worshipping God was the most exhilarating part of our trip," remarked David Church as he reflected upon the Northwesterner's threeweek summer trip to Europe.

When the 19 NNC students who make up the talented singing group the Northwesterners left Nampa to drive to the Salt Lake City Airport on June 12, little did they realize the jetlag, strange foods, and culture gap that they would experience on their European tour. What the group did know was



they were traveling in the name of Jesus Christ, and His strength was more than sufficient for anything they could possibly encounter.

Early in the morning of June 14, the group arrived

in Frankfurt and began a week of concerts every night in Germany. They primarily stayed with host families and also spent four nights at the European Nazarene Bible College. They saw the birthplace of Mozart in Salzburg, Austria and toured the Mercedes Benz factory in Stuttgart. Other highlights included a boat trip on the Rhin eRiver, lunch by the Eiffel Tower, and viewing the Mona Lisa, not to mention the fabulous shopping! They had three free days in Paris to see the many attractions of the city of love.

The Northwesterners returned to the United States on July 1 with suitcases full of souvenirs and hearts filled with the love of God that knows no geographical boundaries.

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WHERE JESUS WALKED

BY AMY RILEY

What would bring better insight into reading the Bible than going to the place where many events recorded in it took place?

Last summer, religion students Dave Giles and Dave Chambers studied at the Institute of Holy Land Studies in Jerusalem for three weeks in Israel with theology professor Dr. Bowes. They took a course on historical and geographical backgrounds of the Bible.

According to Giles, they traveled all around the country of Israel to places like Mount Zion, the Sea of Galilee, Jericho, the Dead Sea, and Petra.

"It was just amazing. We saw where Jesus walked and where he preached," Giles said.

Chambers agreed the geography was the most impressive aspect of the trip.

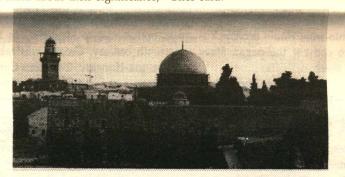
"Everything in Israel is so close--closer than you'd imagine," Chambers said. "It just adds so much meaning to the mention of travel, especially in the Old Testament."

There were many aspects of the trip that made an impact on the students.

"The geography, the people, the class we took, the whole experience made it worth it," Chambers said.

Giles said what made it worth it to him is now he has a whole new view in his mind when he studies the Bible.

"Now when I read about a place in the Bible, and especially in the Old Testament, I can actually see the places in my mind and understand so much more about their significance," Giles said.



SUMMER TRAVEL GROUPS: A LIFE CI

BY TERI KAPTEIN

Every year, NNC sends out groups of dedicated students to recruit for the Admission performing at camps and churches across the Northwest.

For the first time, the NNC travel groups included a multi-talented/drama group calle working at six different camps and spending four weeks performing in churches.

"Traveling is an experience that is life changing. I learned so much about myself and how to rely on God when I had nothing more of myself to give," Parable member Toby Schmidt shared. "We (Parable) learned that true bonding only happens when you wash your underwear together."

Covenant member Cary Hill agrees. "I'd like to thank Kendra Lubiens and Amy Hagemeier for the new hairdo," laughed the once Ken-Doll turned Mousse-Man. "But on a more serious note, I believe that as a group we learned to be servants and were blessed because of it."

Covenant spent one of their weeks in Phoenix, Arizona attending Nazarene Youth Congress. They performed for over six thousand teens, attended activities and manned a Northwest Nazarene College booth.

Rejoice spent their time traveling around the Northwest and spent a few weeks in Alaska. This group, made up of all rookie members, worked at four camps and spent six weeks holding concerts. They also worked and sang at PALCON '95, a gathering of pastors from around the region.

Rejoice member Carrie Dynes said that she really enjoyed the time she spent with her off we did things as a group instead of going our own ways," said Dynes. I could have gather than All the groups agreed that traveling is a completely exhausting experience, but one

THE WORLD ... OUND THE WORLD THIS SUMMER

YOUTH IN MISSIONS

BY JENNIFER COLES

Puppets. Vacation Bible Schools. Music and Drama. Personal Evangelism. Compassionate Ministries. Cross cultural-Experiences.

Sound exciting? To more than 90 Nazarene college students from across the country it was more than exciting—it's how God used their lives and talents this year. These students shared the gospel in more than 15 ministry sites around the world through the Youth in Mission (YIM) program sponsored by NYI Ministries and the Church of the Nazarene.

Seven NNC students worked with YIM in five different countries, including the US, this past summer. Matthew Boyd went with International Student Ministries to Russia. Ken Harris traveled to Costa Rica, Angie Wharfield visitedEcuador, and Zamora Wilson served in Australia. In July, Jason Alvis, Brian Parker and Tim Whetstone participated as interns at NYC in Phoenix, Arizona,

"I learned how to be totally dependent upon God instead of on friends and family during my trip. It was a totally worthwhile experience and well-worth the sacrifice," reflected Zamora Wilson.

Each year, YIM invites college students to invest their summer in a life-changing ministry. Participants applied for the program last fall and spent most of the year raising funds and preparing for their two-month summer ministry assignment. Four types of ministry opportunities were available to the students: International Student Ministries, Mission to the Cities, Contact, and the NYC '95 Music Team.

The Youth in Mission program will be at NNC October 30-November 1 as a part of it's annual fall tour. If the Youth in Mission experience sounds interesting to you, talk to one of this year's participants on campus and then schedule an interview with the YIM/NYI Ministries staff while they're in the area next month.

: A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE

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KLOSTERMAN SISTERS IN MOSCOW

BY TERI KAPTEIN

Katie and Christa Klosterman had planned to vacation in Hawaii during the summer of 1995. Instead, they spent two weeks in Moscow,

When the Klostermans learned about the mission trip their church would be taking, the whole family was interested in attending. Thy were faced with the decision of whether to use the money they had been saving for Hawaii or for Russia. After much prayer, Katie, Christa, and Laura (the youngest sibling) agreed unanimously that Russia was where they felt they should go.

The Klostermans joined a team from Valley Shepherd Church of the

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were created in the short time they were in Russia. "There was a special bond that formed between us and the teenagers we met there. The day we left, tears were flowing everywhere at the airport," said Christa.

Kristen DuVall was also involved in this work and witness trip. The Valley Shepherd mission team also connected with Matt Boyd, another NNC student, who was tin Russia with Youth In Missions.

TRAVELERS WITH A CAUSE

BY AMY RILEY

None of the students knew what to expect from the CAUSE (Colleges And Universities Sharing and Enabling) trip when they boarded the airplane to Venezuela last June. They had been told they'd do construction work, but it was uncertain what eleven NNC students would be doing for a week.

The students who went were: Shannon Stoltzfus, Roberta Clark, Brad Foster, Kristian Engman, Julie Weymouth, Paula Wiebe, Lori Dayton, Ruth Tovalin, Emily Cochran, Tami Hunter, and Cheryl Beebe. "We had no idea what we were going to do until we got there. We thought we'd be doing construction work of some sort," Emily Cochran said.

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painting a school for the week, they plunged into witnessing and bringing people to Christ.

"We did youth evangelical work. We used puppets and did drama and went around to neighborhoods and invited people to come. Once we went to a plaza and started singing and people just started gathering around us," Paula Wiebe said.

`A unique aspect of the trip is the close interaction the NNC students had with a fellow Venezuelan team.

"We got to work with Venezuelan students who came from all over the country," Wiebe said. "It was neat to do something with the people on our mission trip instead of just for them. I feel like we have another part of our team still there."

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New blood on Crusader teams

INTERNATIONAL ATHLETES

International athletes bring more than just new faces

NNC's international athletes are focusing on much more than scoring goals or putting the ball in the hoop. Three of the newest faces in the NNC athletic department prove that intercollegiate sports and academics can still be integrated.

The first of those faces is Peter Alexander of St. Andrew's, Grenada. Peter came to NNC to become a part of the successful basketball program. The nineteen-year-old freshman stands six feet seven inches tall.

Alexander has not been playing ball for a great number of years, but his play on a city-sponsored team back home brought state side recognition.

During his stay at NNC he is hoping to hone his basketball skills. In addition to hitting jumpers from the outside, Alexander has his mind set on hitting the books as well, as he pursues a degree in computer science.

"I'm studying computer science right now," said Alexander, "but if that doesn't work out I would like to study biology." That was a subject Alexander was more than willing to dis-

The Grenada native found that he was affected mildly by the change in

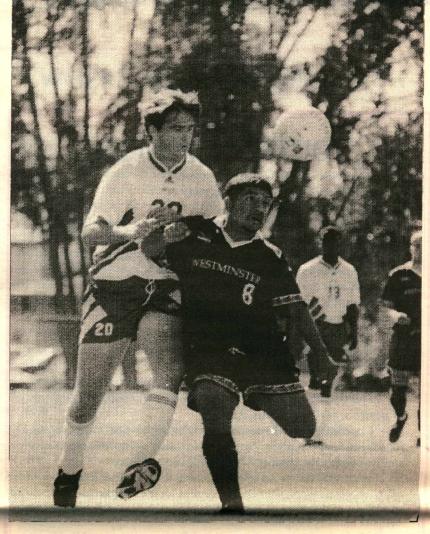
"I like to go to movies and have fun here at college, remarked Alexander, "I'm not a complicated guy...I'm

While Peter Alexander hopes to add to the basketball program, two new soccer players have added speed and depth to the soccer team.

Charlie Laird, who hails from the outskirts of Glasgow, Scotland, came to NNC through contacts in Africa. Laird, a mid-fielder is somewhat shy about his game and stresses that it was his academic pursuits, as well as soccer, that drew him to NNC.

Although Laird is a native of Scotland, being a missionary's son has allowed him to travel the world. Laird, in addition to living in Scotland, has lived in South Africa and Nairobi, Kenya.

"I don't believe in travel," said Laird. "In order to really experience the true culture of another country you need to stay there for about six months." Laird says he is not one to get homesick,



A major goal of Laird's, besides improving in athletics, is to some day teach Chemistry.

"I want to be well qualified in the field of Chemistry," stated Laird. "I want to eventually use my degree to teach in a cross-cultural environment."

Laird is not the only international student who wants to put what he has learned at NNC to use. Sony Pierre-Andre also talked of putting his NNC education into practice back home.

Pierre-Andre of Port-au-Prince, Haiti has played soccer a great deal of his life. The twenty-year-old forward had no difficulty in explaining why he answered the call to play soccer for NNC.

Andre. "Someday God will put me in a position to help my country." Pierre-Andre, a political science major, hopes to follow in his father's footsteps by impacting the nation of Haiti.

"I really miss my country, said Pierre-Andre, "But I also love to learn about culture."

The new faces in the athletic department will add new excitement to NNC competition. These international students have determined that making a difference on the playing field is important, but the true difference comes from the education that they will receive at NNC.

BY TIM SCHLACK



VOLLEYBALL

Sideout! NNC crowds dig volleyball games

Record crowds show up to cheer on the Crusaders to victory

(CHTANGEEV)

As has often been shown in athletic events, people like to watch their teams win. In keeping with that tradition, more and more students have been putting studies aside for a few hours to show up and support the NNC women's volleyball team. Although this week's attendance has been down slightly from last year, more people have

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come to cheer for the team as it has improved over the past few years.

In fact, the attendance at NNC's volleyball games was the highest in the nation for NAIA schools last year. Does it make a difference? Coach Darlene Brasch believes it does, because the team wants the win even more when competing in front of the home crowd. Even opposing teams are often impressed with the support volleyball receives here. It is certainly notable when a team

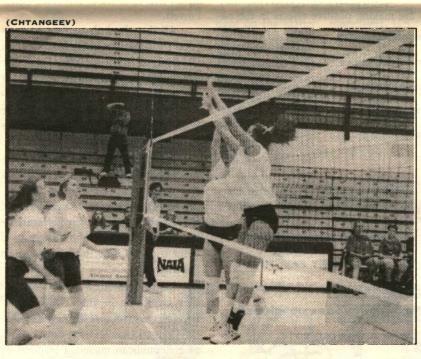
on a campus of 1200 people in a rather unpopulated area can draw crowds of over five hundred. This speaks to the interest shown not only by the campus, but by the surrounding communities as well.

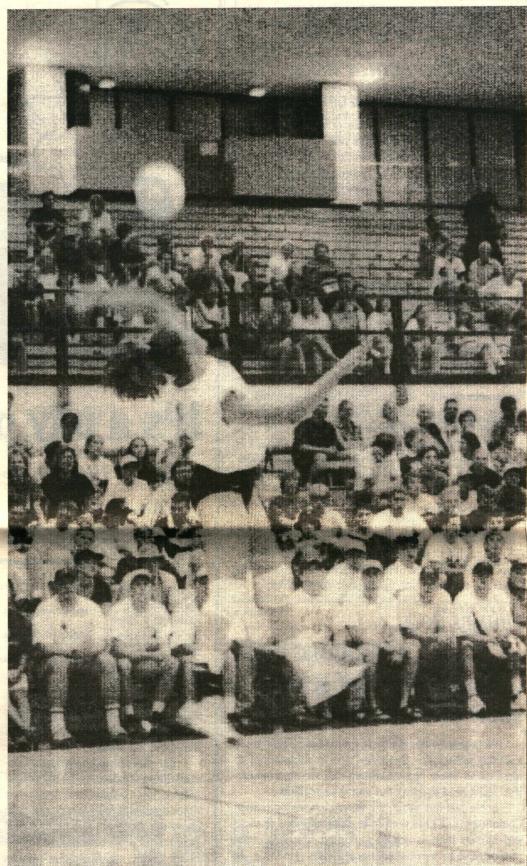
The volleyball team has indeed been successful. Last year they were ranked eighth in the nation. Included on the team were three All-American players, two of which have returned this year. Brasch believes that they are continuing to improve and is looking forward to yet another successful season.

Why is volleyball so popular? Brasch suggested that "there are a lot more oohs and aahs" than in other sports. Our team works well together to set the ball up for some impressive kills and to defend against opponents' strategies.

Sports addicts will always be at athletic events and NNC has already established itself as a college that supports its athletes. As the volleyball team continues in its role as a leader in the NAIA, this will continue to be an popular means of procrastination on campus.

BY DEBI CARTER
STAFF WRITER





Intramural activities change with new ideas

"Ultimately our goal is to get maximum participation from the students" ~Rich Sanders

Crusader athletics is possibly one of the most important aspects of NNC's image in the surrounding area. Through events such as the NAIA tournament in March, athletic programs across the nation have come to recognize Northwest Nazarene College's program as credible and very successful.

NNC has a history of fine athletic programs. In fact, Crusader athletics has an honorable reputation for its success in intercollegiate basketball, volleyball, and other sports.

Yet there is another facet of the NNC athletic program that deals more locally with the students on campus. Since not everyone can participate on the varsity level, the intramural program provides an escape for the students of NNC from the rigors of everyday college life.

"I'd say the two main goals of the program are to provide the students with a good stress relief as well as a chance to

meet people," commented Rich Sanders, NNC's intramural director.

In years past, the program has been limited as far as the students. Sanders, with the help of many student directors and officials, is working to implement new programs.

"We wanted things offered to more people," he added.
"Ultimately our goal is to get maximum participation from the students."

In addition to men's flag football and women's soccer this fall, several new activities have been added. Innertube waterpolo is one of the more creative new events.

"Since everyone stays on the innertubes, there is no advantage in being a better swimmer," added Sanders.

Traditional one night activities such as the 3 on 3 King of the Court tournament will be held again this year during the Midnight Madness weekend. A co-ed volleyball tournament is also in the plans this year.

Students on campus are also taking an active role in the organization of these events. Brian Richey and Zach Smith are working to coordinate flag football, while Tim Whetstone will be in charge of soccer. Student director Tony Chilson will work with the new innertube waterpolo program. Joe Spinozzi will coordinate the coed volleyball.

"The intramural program is always open to new ideas and suggestions for future activities," added Sanders.

Specifically, suggestions are being taken for a new women's activity during winter term.

Coed volleyball sign-ups should be in the Student Center sometime this week.

BY JEREMY SKEEN
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Your opinions are coveted. Any letters to the Editor will be printed in the order that they are received as space allows. Letters are subject to editing, but keep them concise anyway, just to avoid irritating various editorial staff members. Keep in mind that libelous, slanderous, outright obscene or downright cheesy material will be axed. Oh, and form letters or complaints about local businesses won't be printed either. Address latters to NNC Box C, Nampa, ID, 83686.

A shocked senior asks, "Is there an EEC anymore?"

I was shocked at the choice of movies that was presented at the RootbeerFest this year. Not that I might not have watched it on my own at a later date (even though I probably wouldn't have due to ugly, hairy spiders). The phenomenal vocabulary that was a part of the movie, which I never expected here at NNC due to the moral police (the EEC), was a dose of electro-shock.

The first two-thirds of the movie were shocking to say the least. After years of watching movies like "Beethoven" I never expected to see, much less heart what was included in "Arachnophobia" at an NNC function. It isn't like NNC students have never heard the "s-word" or combinations my mom would wash my mouth out for saying, but the fact that the EEC endorsed this movie is a great disappointment to me.

Even the pathetic attempts at bleeping out the more vulgar language at the end of the movie were a comfort that maybe the EEC still had SOME moral standards to uphold. The fact is if the EEC allowed a movie with such language then I don't think we really need an EEC anymore. We all know that sex and nudity aren't allowed in school-sponsored movies, but then again, maybe those are the next lines the EEC will allow the ASNNC to cross.

-- Upset Upperclassman, Monica Smith, Senior

P.S. I am glad that most of the school uttered shocked gasps after hearing the obscenities that were a part of the otherwise enjoyable and predictable RootbeerFest.



...And all we want is some show of consistency

We would never, as a staff, pretend to be able to say anything with more eloquence than a student--not to mention an upset upperclassman--but we do, nonetheless, feel a need to speak out on the same issue.

In the last few years, the Entertainment Evaluation Committee (EEC) has seen fit to delete sections of plays and movies that, as school-sponsored functions, were purported to be representations of NNC's standards. In this manner were edited past Junior Class Plays, most recently last winter's Noises Off.

Without wishing to dig up (again) the sometimes ugly controversy that said editings begat, we'd like to give a big thumbs down to the EEC in the area of consistency. Words that were cut out in '94 and early '95 were dwarfed in pure vulgarity by the most obscene "s-word" last Tuesday night. Other questionable language surfaced regularly, if not often.

Naturally, we, as a staff, will not pretend to have the cleanest mouths on the planet, let alone at this school (many an editor's mouth has slipped at 2:30 on a Tuesday morning), but we will pretend that an institution shouldn't make the rules up as it goes. We feel we should call for a much greater show of consistency regarding what is acceptable and what isn't, in order to preserve the EEC from student ridicule.

The fantastically innocent reaction that occured every time a character used any vulgar term could have been expected from the freshmen; their excuse is their unfamiliarity with the prim and proper image that the EEC used to enforce. But any returning student knows how the EEC has acted in the past. The upperclassmen's gasps revealed a different kind of shock: the astonishment that a committee devoted to upholding Student Handbook standards at all-school events would waffle in such a freakish manner.



It's a pity party, not a third party

Why an Independent can't possibly win in '96

Well, it's getting to be that time feelings. again: leaves are falling off the trees the air is getting crisp, and presidential candidates are car-

I don't know

about you, but I am thoroughly enjoying it. The time to reflect on the "incomparable values" of our nation's leaders is a time that I

treasure above any other, except when I had my root canal, or the time that I dislocated my shoulder.

PARTY."

But other than these few exceptions, being repulsed by the likes of Bill Clinton, Jesse Jackson, and Al Gore are times that I will forever treasure, even above the time that I was hit by a Ford

Probably, the thing that irritates THAN A WASTED VOTE. me the most in presidential politics is the notorious "Third Party," also known as the Independent Party. If ever there wasted vote. has been a group of people that has irritated me more, I don't know who it is. That's not true. Actually, there is a group, but I don't want to upset any Democratic Party members, so it'll remain nameless.

The reason for my irritation and long, sleepless nights is the fact that these people who call themselves "independents" have no idea what they are doing. They think that they are doing the nation--and themselves--a favor by expressing their hatred for partisan politics and then acting on those loathsome

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> tion's government by choosing to vote for a candidate that they feel is representing their feelaccurately, but at the same time has no chance of winning. There are

very few things that are more detrimental to the democratic process than a

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have coffee beans for brains because of my belief that no third party candidate will win next 43 PERCENT OF THE POPULAR year's election, I would like to remind you that as of PARTY GOT IN THE WAY. now, there is not a single poll in the

United States that predicts an Independent victory. In fact, every poll in the country has Bill Clinton winning the election if there is a third candidate, no matter who he or she is, including Colin

All that the Independent party is good for is getting in the way of good legislation. If not for Ross Perot, the little hand-grenade with a bad haircut and his insignificant little band of United We Stand America members, George Bush would have had a much better chance of being re-elected.

If you feel that I am thinking wishfully about the 1992 elections, look back and recall this: Bill Clinton only received 43% of the vote. In a presidential election that is quite a way (several million votes) from reaching a majority of voter support. The third party got in

Many of today's voters say that they are going to vote "Third Party" because they feel that the new Republican Congress has let them down. Well, as a Republican myself, I respond by asking, "Why don't you let us see what will happen with a Republican presi-For those of you who think that I dent thrown in to keep things in order?

> Clinton doesn't seem to be getting the job done.

Don't throw away your vote in 1996 by voting Third Party. Be part of the solution, not the problem.

BY CHRIS FIELD STAFF WRITER

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VOTE IN 1992. THE THIRD

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COMMENTARY

We're number four, we're number four. . . They're number one?

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Everyone with a connection to NNC awaits the U.S. News and World Reports "America's Best Colleges" issue that is published each September. NNC has been building an academic reputation for itself that has landed it in the "Top Ten Western Liberal Arts Colleges" list a number of times in the past few years. This year's ranking was especially exciting, as NNC reached its highest rank: fourth. So many things are going right for NNC that it is easy to see why this school, over so many others, is ranked so well.

But to the dismay of students, faculty and alumni the good news was tempered by a startling revelation. We may be the number four college in the West, but we are number two in the Treasure Valley. NNC's longstanding, down-the-boulevard rival, Albertson College of Idaho (not Albertson's, the grocery store--this is an institution of higher learning) stole our wind and ended up numero uno in the rankings.

Initial student reactions ranged from, "They must have fixed their data" to "Albertson gave them \$___ million (some ungodly amount of cash) as publicity for his store" to a cynical "How did a college that didn't even rank in the top ten last year make it to number one this year?" Behind each of these remarks is a firmly grounded assumption that NNC is better than Albertson College and that somehow ACI's high rank is a bad thing for NNC.

First, let me shed a little factual light on the matter. Since 1991, U.S. News and World Report has rated NNC in the top ten three times; #8 in 1991, #7 in 1994, and #4 in 1995. During this same time period ACI also has been listed three times; #4 in 1992 and 1993 and #1 in 1995. Look a little closer and do the math. You'll come up with an average rating that puts Albertson College above NNC.

After hearing many of the student comments regarding Albertson College,

I began to suspect that very few had any idea what they were talking about. Indeed, I was astonished to find how few NNC students have actually set foot on the AC of I campus.

For those of you who have not had that opportunity, let me give you my impressions of AC of I.

Albertson College has recently completed a string of campus improvements. They have constructed four new buildings, including the Katherine Albertson Center for International Studies, an activity center with full gymnasium and swimming pool, and the Langroise Center for the Performing Arts. In addition to this, they have totally renovated their Administration building, Sterry Hall (and I do mean totally renovated-they gutted that building clean).

They also landscaped the campus by starting a quadrangle that will soon connect the buildings around the perimeter of the campus, and made a main walkway that runs from the performing arts center to the arts gallery and believe me, it is very impressive. For such a small school, they sure have constructed a beautiful campus.

Sure, they still have some of the crappy old buildings that they were once known for, the Student Union building and the dining hall (mid-1940s psuedodisaster architecture, modeled after Hiroshima and Dresden). But every campus has a few of these, i. e. Chapman and Elmore Halls.

Albertson College also has some excellent academic programs. They have a distinguished Biology and Pre-Med department and their Political Science department has four full-time professors (but how many does it take to equal a Shaw?) They also have large and successful business and psychology departments; their graduates that pursue graduate studies have a 95% placement rate. This school is no flaky operation.

But yes, they do get a lot of funding from large donors like Albertson, who funded the activity center and international studies center for \$13.5 million. However, they also receive generous contributions from less widely known alumns, such as Gladys Langroise, who gave \$6 million for the performing arts center.

But just as Albertson College has Albertson, NNC has John Brandt (who, incidentally, also gave generously to AC of I). Both institutions need supporters like these to make large improvements possible.

But their #1 rank makes NNC look bad, right?

Not so. The beauty of this situation is that getting both schools into the top ten makes them both look good, and makes the Treasure Valley look real good to prospective students. New England has a good academic reputation. Why? Answer: Harvard, Princeton, Yale and Dartmouth. Seattle has a fair academic reputation. Why? University of Washington and Seattle Pacific. Having a couple of good academic institutions in the same region sweetens the pot for everybody around.

Unfortunately, for students to accept this, they will need to see through our healthy but sometimes bitter basketball rivalry with AC of I, and recognize that they are not our rival down the boulevard, but our sister school.

Both NNC and Albertson College should be sincerly congratulated for their efforts and for their successes. Hopefully both schools will work together to make the Treasure Valley the best choice for students seeking a quality education.

And by the way, just wait until NNC gets its own campus improvement plan complete. Fine Arts Center, closed campus, good atmosphere - #1 for sure.

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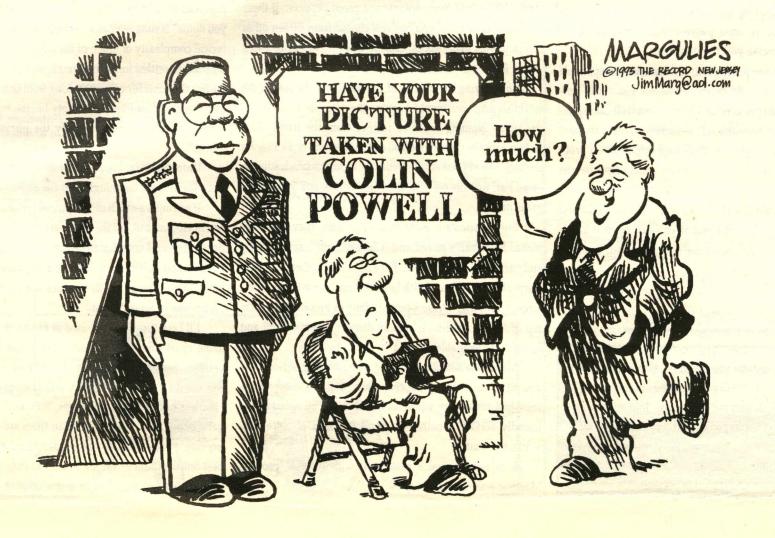
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BY DAVE ROEMHILDT GLOBAL EDITOR

GALLERY



REVIEWS

Hackers only hacks it some of the time

Hackers is the most recent release in the recent yet never-

ending new genre of "evil computer users, breakdown on the information highway" movies. Our good buddies in Hollywood are conveniently exploiting the void of computer ignorance in our teeming masses and filling the holes in our curiosity with reems of half-truths and romances.

The word "hackers," for those computer illiterates out there, is the term used to refer to the portion of computer users who use their superior technical and programming skills to break into other computer systems.

Reviewed by Jason Isbell



Hackers follows the antics of five New York teenagers who get caught up in

world intrigue when one of their own accidently steals a file from an aging hacker looking to rake in a few billion dollars with his talents. This unfortunate occurence leads the teens into the realms of computer age politics and the threat of world ecological destruction.

This movie was suprisingly strong in a few areas, particularly in its presentation of the political problems that hacking presents. Hackers also portrays the

difference between the cold war generation and the information highway generation quite well. For instance, the the Secret Service agent who is in charge of hunting down and prosecuting hackers knows nothing about computers, let alone the concept of hacking.

On the other side of the coin, the computer literate will have to leave realism at the door upon entering the theater. Hackers' portrayal of virtual reality computers often pushes the boundries of common sense, leaving realism behind. You can forget about learning any real tricks, besides possibly the three most commonly used passwords. (These are God, Secret, and Sex, in case you're interested.)

If you aren't a computer guru, or have a good suspension of disbelief, Hackers could be the movie for you. It is fastpaced, has some nifty effects, and it rests on a well-done plot. One warning however--any ultra-conservatives out there should probably skip this one, since they might have a problem identifying with the social "freaks" that comprise the main cast.

Hackers is worth the six bucks if it's a slow night and you've already seen The Net, but if you can catch it at the buck-fifty place you will most definitely get your money's

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CUISINE

Satisfying, close to campus, affordable: Mancino's Pizza

Imagine a restaurant that combined an easygoing "Mom and Pop" atmosphere with great pizza and sub sand-

Now, what if it were reasonably priced, uncrowded, and within walking distance from campus? The result of these factors is Mancino's Pizza and Sub Shop, located in the Holly Shopping Center.

This Italian Eden goes virtually un-

MANCINO'S

Reviewed by

James Finkbeiner

Crusader Rating

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PIZZA

noticed by students who tend to flock to more recognized stores in the area. Mancino's offers a comfortable atmosphere that is much larger inside than the tiny storefront would indicate. Remarkably, even during the noon rush it is not crowded, and any patron can find a seat to sit and study or just enjoy some great

If you think you have had some great sandwiches, but you have never been to Mancino's, think again. The freshly

food and, nurse a tall, cool Coca-Cola.

baked, toasted, warm bread is piled high with toppings like steak, cheese, tomatoes, onions, and green peppers. If these don't suit your taste, you can still choose from fifteen other sub sandwich experiences, each so thick it begs to be eaten with a fork.

Considering the quality of the food, and the size of the establishment, one would imagine the prices to be as tall as the subs. Nothing could be further from the truth. This Italian experience will put you out to the tune of \$4.39 for a six-inch sub of your choice with chips, potato salad, soup or salad bar, top this off with a medium drink and you have a

But Mancino's is more than great subs; they also have pizza. Reasonably priced and "Chicago Style", several sizes and variations are available. For a light lunch, their mini size starts at \$3.00. Groups with heartier appetites will find their large, 9 topping, "Pride Combination" to be satisfying. On top of all this, traditional Italian dinners like spaghetti and lasagna are available.

Mancino's has one fault: the speed of their service. As you sit, contemplating the red, white, and green surroundings, just remember: while service may not be speedy, it is friendly service nonetheless. And the food is more than worth the wait.

It is rare to find a restaurant with food as good as Mancino's as close to campus.

I'LL LEAD YOU HOME DELIVERS NOTHING BUT A SAUNTER THROUGH SMITTY'S MID-LIFE CRISIS.

MUSIC

Michael W. Smith explores complex meaninglessness

Maybe it's middle age, or maybe it's just that his music is about as creative as something out of the middle ages. Take it however you want, but the truth is that Michael W. Smith is becoming a little old.

It's possible he's realizing this, too. His latest project is the about the closest thing to a mid-life crisis that a musician can have -- unless that musician's name

Smith's latest project, I'll Lead You Home, seems to be a half-made attempt to redefine his style. The music has a more mature feel to it, as do the lyrics. This should be a good thing for Smith, but frankly I feel that it doesn't work at

For the most part, the upbeat tunes for which he is famous are gone. With the exception of the first single from the album, Cry for Love, the album has more

of a solemn feel than anything Smith has ever done before. With few exceptions, the lyrics are more complex and fall more towards the Sting side of things

than the Amy Grant side (as Smith's previous releases have tended to).

Yet, as much as Smith may try, he is no Sting and the lyrics end up becoming almost humorous instead of serious, as they were intended. For example, his title track begins, "Wandering the road of desperate life, aimlessly beneath a barren sky, leave it to me, I'll lead you home." The song then proceeds to become rather repetitive -- the phrase "I'll lead you home" is sung over and over again, at least ten times. The lyrical complexity of much of the song leaves me wondering why Smith settled for such a simple and meaningless chorus. He has the basis for creating a song with some deep meaning as he talks of lost lives and empty hearts, but then provides a meaningless answer with only the phrase "I'll lead you

Unfortunately, I found a lot of the album to be lyrically complex and yet meaningless at the same time.

It attempts a much more spiritual emphasis than Smith's recent albums, but, for the most part, it delivers little spiritual depth. I should note that there are a few songs which are well written and fulfill their intended purpose (Breathe in Me being one of them). Still, they are not enough to make the album one of Smith's best.

I'll Lead You Home debuted at #16 on the Billboard Magazine chart and already had a hit single in the Christian market. Still, this says more about Smith's reputation than the album. With the recent addition of electronic sales counters to Christian bookstores, Billboard is simply able to get a better idea of how Christian titles are selling than was previously possible. My bet is that I'll Lead You Home isn't the best Smith album as the stats seem to indicate, but simply a release that was timed right and marketed well.

I'LL LEAD YOU

Reviewed by D. **Andrew Zirschky**



Between the Lines

Disclaimer: "Between the Lines" is meant solely for it's "humoric" value and is not meant to reflect any real thoughts or motives of the administration, faculty, student body, author, Crusader newspaper, or the International Church of the Nazarene in general. As a community committed to scholarly learning in the context of entirely sanctified Christian living, it should be understood that the thoughts and ideas of "Between the Lines" are entirely inappropriate and should be immediately purged from your mind by prayer and, if necessary, fasting.

Just what was everyone thinking yesterday in chapel when the Ritual of Dedication was read? There's no telling for sure, but here's my guess . . .

Ritual of Dedication

President Hagood: Northwest Nazarene College is a community of scholars and learners seeking to help each other attain lives of spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional and social wholeness through scholarship, leadership and service. [Gee, this robe is itchy.]

Hagood and the Community: I commit the 1994-1995 academic year [Last year was so good why not try it again.] to the seeking of personal wholeness through scholarship, leadership and service, and to helping others achieve the same.

Cartwright and the Faculty: We acknowledge that our teaching and scholarship are to be directed at knowledge and wisdom, and that in God we may find wholeness in truth [and free tuition for our children.]

Fitzgerald and Students: We acknowledge that the beginning of knowledge is the fear of the Lord [and the professor], and we commit ourselves to the discipline of study in order to grow in knowledge and fear of the Lord.

Hagood and the Community: I seek wholeness and holiness in personal belief and behavior [especially during Open House hours], intelligent choice of lifestyle, leadership, service, and dependence on God for guidance.

Fitzgerald and Students: We seek increased understanding of Christian values through Biblical knowledge, reason, understanding of Christian traditions, and through personal experience [if all else fails].

Cartwright and Faculty: We seek to model increasingly balanced self-awareness, self-confidence and self-criticism, and disciplined and *unified* personalities [I didn't realize we suffered from Multiple Personality Disorder!]

Fitzgerald and Students: We pledge to grow in empathy with others, in recognition of our own assumptions, in seeing many sides of an issue, in coming to decisions based on thorough critical deliberation, and in increasingly assuming responsibility for our decisions [Okay, I admit it -- I was the one who graffitied the clock tower.]

Cartwright and the faculty: We pledge to demonstrate increasing competence in problem solving, discrimination [purge the Calvinists], and verbal and nonverbal communication.

Hagood and the Community: I commit to a developing appreciation of individual and cultural distinctives, responsible living in community, and an increasingly global perspective [A global perspective from Nampa, Idaho?]

Cartwright and Faculty: We seek to help our students find their particular purpose for being in *concert* with the larger purposes of God in the world [Isn't our music program big enough already?]

Fitzgerald and Students: We seek our calling to follow the will of God through all of life. [Yes, God did create that cute piano major just for me!]

Hagood and the Community: I dedicate this year (whatever year it may be) to expanding personal and general knowledge, critical thinking, creative exploration, and a spirit of inquiry [I wonder if learning to bow hunt counts?]

Cartwright and Faculty: We commit ourselves to the joy of learning and to teach to the best of our [feeble] abilities. [Maybe I was meant to be a research scientist after all . . .]

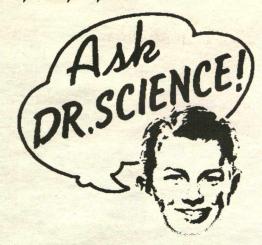
Fitzgerald and Students: We commit ourselves to the joy of learning and to learn to the best of our [feeble] abilities. [Maybe I was meant to pump gas after all . . .]

Hagood and the Community: We commit Northwest Nazarene College and ourselves, individually and collectively, to the educational endeavor [Didn't the Endeavor blow up, oh -- that was the Challenger, wrong one.] before us, to pursue knowledge [marriage] and wisdom in order to love and serve God and our neighbors. Amen [thank the Lord we're done.]

-- THOUGHTS INSERTED BY D. ANDREW ZIRSCHKY



Hey, everybody it s time to . . .



Dear Dr. Science:

Why do small children learn to pronounce certain four letter words with perfect clarity, when the rest of their speech is un-intelligible?

-- Jackie Ripper, Pickford, MI

Many Children below the age of seven have the ability to scramble their speech, much in the same way sensitive government and police communications are scrambled to avoid unauthorized eavesdropping. Usually, this process involves single sideband intermodulation, or cryptographic encapsulation, both requiring elaborate and expensive demodulators, which can only be purchased from the Pentagon. So at last we draw a connection between big government and children younger than seven who cannot be held responsible for their actions. Neither can be successfully sued, and both are extremely self-centered. That's why the phrase "Sensitive Government Communication" always brings a wry smile to this scientist.

Dear Dr. Science:

What kind of sound is a Puget Sound? --J.D., Ocean Park, WA

You know the hissing sound an espresso machine makes? Well, combine that with the pretentious conversation and whining of a thousand artist wanna-be's hanging around in cafes, full of self importance intermingled with thinly veiled self loathing. Then add the continuous drizzle of a soft rain, not quite as nebulous as a fog, but not as dramatic and sudden as a thunderstorm. On top of that mix the ferryboat whistles and the sound of a thousand cash registers taking in tourist dollars. It's a complicated sound, but very distinctly a Puget Sound.

Dear Dr. Science:

When my wife was ironing our window curtains, we noticed that the colors were badly faded. Why does sunlight fade the colors in fabric?

--Steve Heimer, Rosemont, MN

The sun actually sucks colors, like some kind of hue vampire, and so replenishes its spectrum. You see, the balance of different colors is what keeps the furnace in the sun's interior running. If the sun were to run low on, say the color blue, the sun would expand into a red giant, and within a few months the earth would be toast. Fortunately, much of the earth is blue -- blue sky, blue water -- and this seeming limitless supply of blueness ensures our survival at least until the year 2001. At that time, the planet will have to get serious about color, probably outlawing the colors red and orange.

"There is a fine line between ignorance and arrogance," says Dr. Science, "and only I have managed to erase that line." Each day Dr. Science puts that philosophy to work and grapples with your questions. Write Dr. Science, Box 22513, San Francisco, CA 94122

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