



## Extreme Resolution

I'm part of the fellowship of the unashamed. The die has been cast. I've stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I'm a disciple of Jesus Christ. I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away or be still. My past is redeemed, my present makes sense, my future is secure. I'm finished and done with low living, sight walking, smooth ease, colorless dreams, tamed visions, worldly talking, cheap giving, and dwarfed goals.

My face is set, my gate is fast, my goal is heaven, my road is narrow, my way is rough, my companions few, my Guide reliable, my mission clear. I won't give up, shut up, let up, until I've stayed up, stored up, and prayed up for the cause of Christ. I'll give 'till I drop, preach 'till everyone knows, work 'till He stops me and when He comes for His own, He will have little trouble recognizing me because my banner is clear.



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## In Campus News



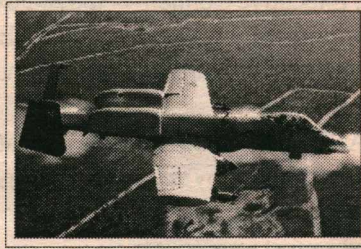
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## In Opinions

So, how does "Enter Sandman" sound when played by four cellos? Page 5 reviews the singular endeavor.



## In World News



Missing A-10 found (see pg. 11).

## Column One

Welcome race fans, to a really special edition of *The Crusader*.

"Why is it special?" you may ask. (Go ahead, ask!)

It is special, because this time I didn't botch the Top Ten list. (What!? You didn't notice? How nice of you!)

On a more serious note, it's special because Dave Stillman's column has a moral.

Because we had to fill sports with testimonies (a word which I can't seem to spell correctly, I might add, completely off the subject).

Because the cover deals with a rather unique series of events which occurred on our campus (some people think it has to do with God!).

Because, doggone it, it's mine and my new staff's third issue (God is obviously working a miracle.).

Because we found a group of cello players who are into Metallica.

Because I still haven't written my Carey Cook article (which will be good, trust me.)

Well, I'm off to the races.

--J. Matthew Isbell  
Editor-in-Chief

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# Don't call it a "camp high"



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Religious happenings? Revival? Pre-revival? Nothing special? Take a guided tour of the recent spiritual events around campus in this week's cover story, which begins on page 8.

## Few are called, but fewer yet are chosen

Class elections were held last Monday with the following results for class presidents.

Ryan Comingdeer was elected as Sophomore Class President.

Jesse Rench was elected as Junior Class President.

Casey Lund was elected as Senior Class President.

For complete class council election results, turn to page 3.

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"Risk! Risk anything! Care no more for the opinion of others, for those voices. Do the hardest thing on earth for you. Act for yourself. Face the truth."

~ Katherine Mansfield, author, 1922



# ASNNC: a year in review

Time Out and improved communication are '96-'97 highlights

By Gina Grate

Assistant Campus News Editor

The changing of the guard within the ASNNC Executive Council has provided the opportunity for last year's members to share their thoughts concerning the year in review.

Former ASNNC President Erik Quissell described his year by saying that, "It was a huge learning experience for myself. I was most impressed with the concern both with the leaders on campus and nationally. I'm really proud of how the other council member did their jobs. I was impressed with how well they put things together."

Senior Jonathan Lindley, the outgoing Campus Ministries Coordinator, said, "I had a blast. I was the master/organizer of Time Out. I did the speaker line-up. Toby Schmidt did a ton of work putting together the music packages. Cary Hill (1995-96 Campus Ministries Coordinator) started the wheel; I continued to add spokes and strength."

Lindley sat down with President Hagood when he first took the position. Hagood reminded Lindley that a past CMC, John Hanna, shared a devotion with the student body from time to time. "Because of things on my heart," Lindley said, "I committed to share a devotional thought in every student-led chapel."

"Some people see ASNNC as an elite club," Lindley continued, "I didn't think of it that way. We didn't do a lot of things together as a council. But we were more involved with the campus in general."

Junior Linc Loeber, Executive Vice President, said, "Going into it, I wanted to improve communication between the senators and the students. This is accomplished partially through the State of the Senate address during chapel. But more needs to be done and that's one of the things I'm looking at this year. I definitely enjoyed serving as Executive Vice President; I wanted to do it again." Loeber was recently re-elected to the position.

"I feel like we've impacted the community with the different activities that we've done," said Community Relations Coordinator Erika McCray. "If students knew how many thank-you notes I got from the people of RUSH and the gift drive, they'd be amazed. As a whole," she said, "one of the goals was to create communication between the administration and the students. I know it's not perfect, but I think it's improved." McCray, who was also re-elected, mentioned in view of '97-'98, "I

hope that we stay united as a group and that we'll work together as a team rather than individuals."

Junior Heather Tompkins, Social Vice President, said, "I feel like

some of the goals I had in the beginning were to have more involvement on the Social Board's part and involvement with the school as a whole. We got more variety on the board -- half guys and half girls. Hopefully the events were fun and people enjoyed themselves. I feel like my year went really well."

The Crusader's Editor-in-Chief, senior John Fraley, said, "I felt like we forced the administration to recognize that students want to be in-

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~ John Fraley

formed, want to know exactly what's going on at all administrative levels. I was glad -- they responded positively to that; the admin. displayed willingness to communicate almost all the time." A specific accomplishment Fraley referred to was the semesters forum. "I was really happy that we could set [it] up. That was set up at the Executive Council's request."

"Two things that stand out in my mind about the year," said Oasis Editor Jolene Hruza, senior, "Communication on campus between administration and students. A lot of it was situational in that situations forced a community effort to increase communication. I think our Council did its part to open the lines of communication between administration and students. That's still going -- that's something that isn't going to stop."

"I'm excited to have been a part of spiritual development," she added.

"I'm excited to see how Time Out has grown. The prayer chapel was a special landmark -- the students had a special part in that in putting the prayers in the walls." One change Hruza would have liked to have seen during her term with ASNNC, was the communication between the student government and the student body. "I wish... we could have been prepared better and [been able] to dispel some of the rumors. And now the TASK force could have been carried out differently."

Junior Kim Robinson, ASNNC Secretary, said, "This past year, personally, it's been my goal to increase communication between students and the council through things like FYI's in the dorm and things like that. What I accomplished was attempting to increase communication so that students felt informed about what their student government is doing."

## NNC Notepad

### In Senate this week...

President Field expressed an interest that he and Dr. Hills had, to begin a continual series of forums that would allow the students to communicate their concerns, comments and questions more directly to the administration. either once a week or once every other week.

The Facilities Audit Task Force met for the first time on April 7th. Ken Finkbeiner is the student representative to this committee. Any student recommendations are due to

this committee by May 2nd.

Students will be receiving e-mail, campus mail, and announcements in cru-keys to notify them of the committee's plans and need. Items for consideration should be stated with a description and reason for the need. Ideas should reflect campus facility needs such as buildings, renovations and additions.

A meeting concerning the Facilities Audit Task Force will be held on Monday April 28th and 6:30p in the Feltar Lecture Hall and on Tuesday April 29th at 10:15a also in the Fletar Lecture Hall.

## NNCalendar

April-May	22	22 Who's Who Recognition	23 10:15a Chapel	24	25 10:15a Chapel 8:00p Student Recital AD Aud 9:00p Twister Tournament in Student Center	Weekend 26-27					
	4			RA/PA Interviews							
	28	28 10:15a Chapel New RA/PA selections notified	29	29 8:30a-12:00p COMP Exam	30	30 10:15a Chapel 9:00p Time Out Run-offs for Exec Council	1	1 10:15a Housing Info mtg @ SLH	2	2 10:15a Chapel 6:30p SR Seminar Symposium Banquet	Weekend 3-4
			PC Interviews		MP Interviews						8:30a-1:00p SR Seminar Symposium Conference 11:00a bb-EOSC RA/PA First Aid/CPR Certification Class

## Looking Ahead in May:

May 4th-5th:  
Cinco de Mayo Fiesta

May 7th:  
RA/PA/PC/MP Spring Training

May 8th-10th  
Regional Activity Days



# Justify your job's first victim: Carey Cook

By J. Matthew Isbell  
Editor-in-Chief

Most of us know Carey Cook as the gentleman who occasionally leads choruses during chapel. Some of us know Carey Cook as the guy who appears at every single student event, and looks a little too old to be a student, but not nearly intelligent enough to be a professor.

Informed that some students considered him "The man who does

Cook's official title. His title is a bit deceiving though, as his responsibilities extend somewhat beyond leadership training into virtually every student activity of the school.

Cook's calendar is crammed full, from September through June, with every student function and activity conceivable. If students are involved, Cook is there.

Some of Cook's responsibilities include advising student government (ASNNC, senate and judicial board), overseeing the Brick House

and the Student Center and advising in the production of the school's master calendar for activities.

In addition to these exciting responsi-

bilities, Cook is also a coach for Tennis, the committee chair for Who's Who and chairman of the infamous Entertainment Evaluation Committee.

"[The EEC] is also there to help

the program, so that they can look better. It's not just a regulatory body. It's to help keep up the entertainment value," said Cook.

One of Cook's other responsibilities is overseeing Northwest Nazarene Players. Dave Miller (former Sutherland R.D.) and Cook started the program based on a similar acting troupe that Miller was in at Point Loma Nazarene College.

"I'm also the voice of the National Champion Lady Crusaders basketball team," boasts Cook.

"I love my job.

How could I not? I'm in college without having to go to classes!"

Cook hopes to "really develop this office for specific leadership training." He hopes to begin offering seminars for student leaders and working on a formula to achieve that goal.

Right now, the two areas in which Cook is most involved with student leadership training is through over-



Carey Cook *does* have a real title. He is, in fact, NNC's Director of Leadership Development.

seeing ASNNC and the other student government bodies and through L.E.A.D., the yearly retreat just prior to the school year for all student leaders (R.A.s, P.A.s, Security, ASNNC, class presidents, brick house directors, peer counselors and ministry club presidents). "Gene Schandorff and I are coordinating [L.E.A.D.] together," said Cook.

**"I love my job. How could I not? I'm in college without having to go to class!" ~Carey Cook**

nothing," Cook replied, "And that's the way I like it."

A very few of us know Carey Cook as the Director of Leadership Development, which, as it turns out, is

## Precious few turn out to vote in new councils

By Shannon Adams  
Campus News Editor

Those who have been elected into student leadership positions have barely had a chance to catch their breath. ASNNC officers have already been sworn in to their positions, but class council members have also stepped into their stations. So who are these Student Council leaders?

This year's class council elections seemed to reflect an overall feeling of apathy from the students. The number of students who voted from each class didn't even reach half of each class. Another sign of indifference was the lack of opposition or even the lack of anyone signing up for positions. Re-

gardless of this fact though, those who were voted in are more than qualified to lead their class up through third term next year.

Those taking class council positions are, in many cases, first-time holders of such offices, or taking on more than one office.

Two prime examples of the latter are from the Class of 1998 where Mark Boothby is both Vice President and Senator; from the same class Jeff Poe holds the offices of Treasurer and member of Social Board. When asked why he ran for two offices Poe stated, "It's simple--no one else volunteered."

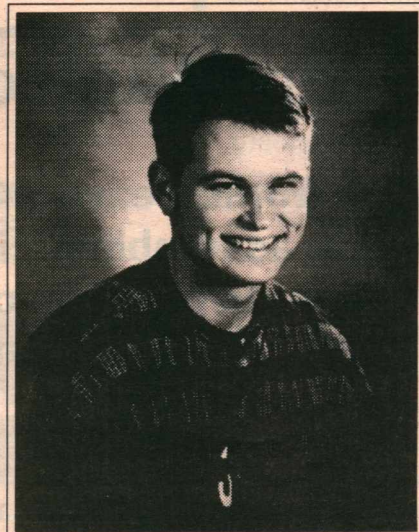
This year's junior class also voted between two write-ins for Publicity, Stacie Messick and Jeremy Skeen, as no one officially ran for the position. The class of 1998 is led by President Casey Lund, Vice President Mark Boothby, Secretary Kara Heitschmidt, Treasurer Jeff Poe, Chaplain Tim Wiegman, Publicity Jeremy Skeen, Social Board Jeff Poe and Senators JoLyn Payne, Mark Boothby and Ryan Ketchum. Together this council will be in charge of running the Senior Slick.

The Class Council of 1999 had few contested positions. Steve Carlson, Stephanie Ortman, Carlyann Sandidge and Lisa Guy all ran unopposed. Because several members of this past year's class council have taken ASNNC positions, many of these leaders are

newcomers. These able newcomers, as well as those who served on the council last year, will be in charge of running the Junior Class play and Mudbowl. Lisa Guy, one of the two social board members said, "I am really excited to have this opportunity to help plan our school's social events and be more involved." The members of the 1999

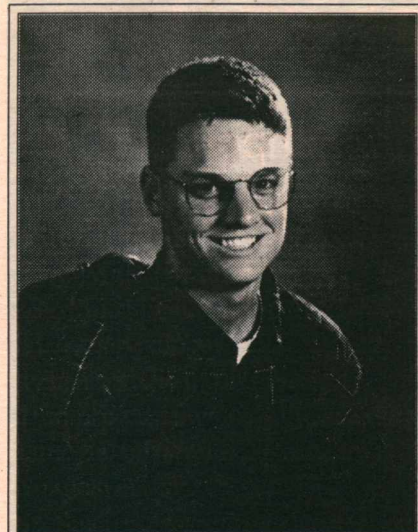
Class Council are President Jesse Rench, Vice President Steve Carlson, Treasurer Shayna Lund, Secretary Norma Thompson, Chaplain Stephanie Ortman, Publicity Director Jennifer Hill, Social Board members Carlyann Sandidge and Lisa Guy and Senators Dave Stillman, Jeff Norris and Missy Rasmussen.

Next year's sophomore class showed the greatest involvement. The majority of their positions had more than

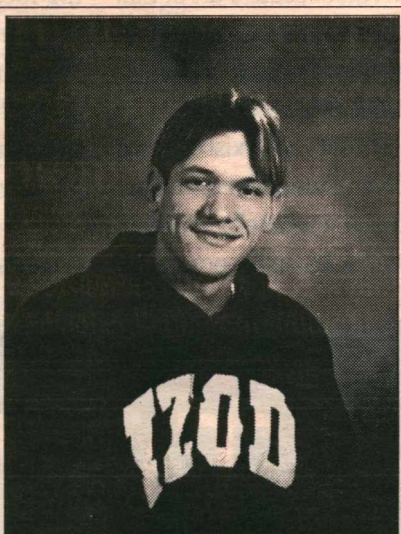


Jesse Rench was elected as the President of the Class of 1999.

one person signed up to run. Ryan Comingdeer will be heading up the council for the Class of 2000. When asked what he hopes to be able to do while in this office, Ryan said, "I think it would be cool to have our class a constant growing spiritual class. I'd like to have fun, too." Along with President Ryan Comingdeer and Vice President Jody Lanham, the Class Council of 2000 will help to direct their class along with the help of Treasurer Mindy Bales, Secretary Kari Buckendorf, Chaplain Michelle Wisecaver, Publicity Director Stacie Skeen, Social Board members Kyla Edelman and Eric Manley and Senators Jodi Peterson, Shawn Blenker and Melissa Tennyson. The class of 2000 will be in charge of this fall's Freshere and Welcome Week.

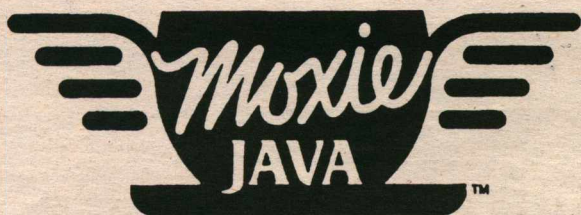


Elected as Senior Class President was Casey Lund.



Ryan Comingdeer will serve as the Sophomore Class President.





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## What would you do with half a mil?

*Task force asks for student input on how to spend \$500,000*

**By Kenneth E. Finkbeiner  
Guest Writer**

If the school had \$500,000 to spend, how would you want the administration to go about spending it? The administration has in fact posed that very question to the student body.

In response, the foremost question on most of the Crusader students' minds seems to be, "So, where did the \$500,000 come from?"

My fellow 'Saders, you were smacked in the face with a red-hot flyer entitled "\$500,000 SPENDING SPREE!!!" this past week. And, that flyer certainly got your attention. More than that, it hit a sensitive nerve or two.

The red flyer originated with me, Ken Finkbeiner, with the help of a few other individuals. First, the top line, "\$500,000 SPENDING SPREE!!!" was only an attention-getter. The remaining information on the flyer is accurately stated. The flyer was the second of many publicity avenues that will be used to inform you of this important task for our community.

So, why should you care about campus facility needs? You, as a member of this community, have a vital role in determining the future of this institution. We all want to see NNC succeed. Part of that occurs through the further development of the campus, which includes facility improvements.

If NNC is to exist as a vital and productive institution ten to fifty years from now, plans for its future must be looked at in the present. If

you value the kind of education your children and grandchildren will receive at this college, then you will care enough to assist in the consideration of campus facility needs.

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The task force is requesting ideas which consist of three components: 1) a statement identifying the need; 2) a description of the facility in quantifiable and qualifiable terms; and 3) the reason(s) you perceive a need.

If you would like to present multiple ideas, please pri-

oritize them. Many students have asked how they should describe their ideas. First, don't worry about money. Second, try and identify the number of square feet or give a comparison of size between what you want and an existing structure. Third, describe what will make up the facility. Will it have offices, classrooms, auditoriums, big-open spaces, etc., and how many? Also, please include an idea of the type of equipment that would be needed. This would be items such as lab machinery, desks, chairs, other furniture, copiers, etc., and how many.

Please send your ideas to me, Ken Finkbeiner, NNC Box 2523, or to Dr. Ken Hills in Student Development. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call either of us at #8232 or #8644, respectively. Recommendations must be delivered via campus mail, e-mail, or in person.

One comment I have heard a lot is, "My friend is going to write about the same thing I want to write about, so I don't think I need to write about it too." WRONG!!! Everyone with any and all ideas needs to submit them. No two people have exactly the same idea.

All recommendations should be submitted by May 2, 1997.

All-student forums are coming soon! The first forum will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Monday April 28th, the second forum will be held Tuesday April 29th at 10:15 a.m. Both forums will take place in the Feltar Lecture Hall and will provide further information and clarification, as well as a question and answer time.

# !TWISTER!

Do you like to eat small rodents... or, more importantly, do small rodents like to eat you? Are you frightened that people enjoy the hair on your head... or, more importantly are you frightened by the hair on your head? And yet, of the greatest importance, what does L.O.O.M. really stand for? Who knows, play Twister. Friday night, 9:00 pm in the Student Center lobby. Oh, & bring a buck (not Kyle).



# REVIEWS

## McHale's Navy great... if you try not to think

McHale's Navy is set in the exploding Caribbean Island of San Marino. On this island, the governor traitorously sells out his island to a terrible threesome. They hire the world's second best terrorist, Major Vladikov (Tim Curry) for some unknown devious purpose.

Quintin McHale (Tom Arnold) is an entrepreneuring, ex-Navy Lt. Commander that supports the local villagers by brewing strange concoctions, making ice cream and producing interesting calenders.

Major Vladikov is the emotionally unstable terrorist, (don't worry, he has a shrink in tow) that gets to sail around in a boat and blow things up.

The Navy guys are laid-back and more into ice cream than being shaped into soldiers. There are five guys in McHale's special force that excel in various interests, and fight rather well too.

The main story line is a bit twisted, so follow close. A terrorist, Vladikov, is hired to build a missile site to enforce a new world order on an island, where unfortunately, an old enemy, McHale, resides. McHale is brought back into the Navy to stop Vladikov from getting the codes from a

satellite in space. McHale does some trading and buying and gets back his old crew and large boat, in addition to some new Russian equipment.

There's a return of some familiar looking actors who add interest to the story. The C.O. of the Naval base is a helium-voiced individual with amusing facial expressions and ambition. The Lt. works hard at being the tough officer and she comes through when she is needed most. She does end up falling for McHale, which is not too surprising. The ensign is cheesy, but loveable. His blunders upset him, but turn into assets for McHale. Ernest Borgnine is Cobra, the general in charge of the operation. (He was the original McHale in the TV series.)

Tom Arnold is funny, but with a sensitive side. He gets in several inspiring speeches at opportune moments. Tim Curry plays the emotionally unstable villain, with an accent, and carries it off with his usual style.

The movie has some great one-liners and some good water explosions. But on the whole the plot is shaky with loop-holes. If you don't think about it much, it is an entertaining movie.

### McHale's Navy

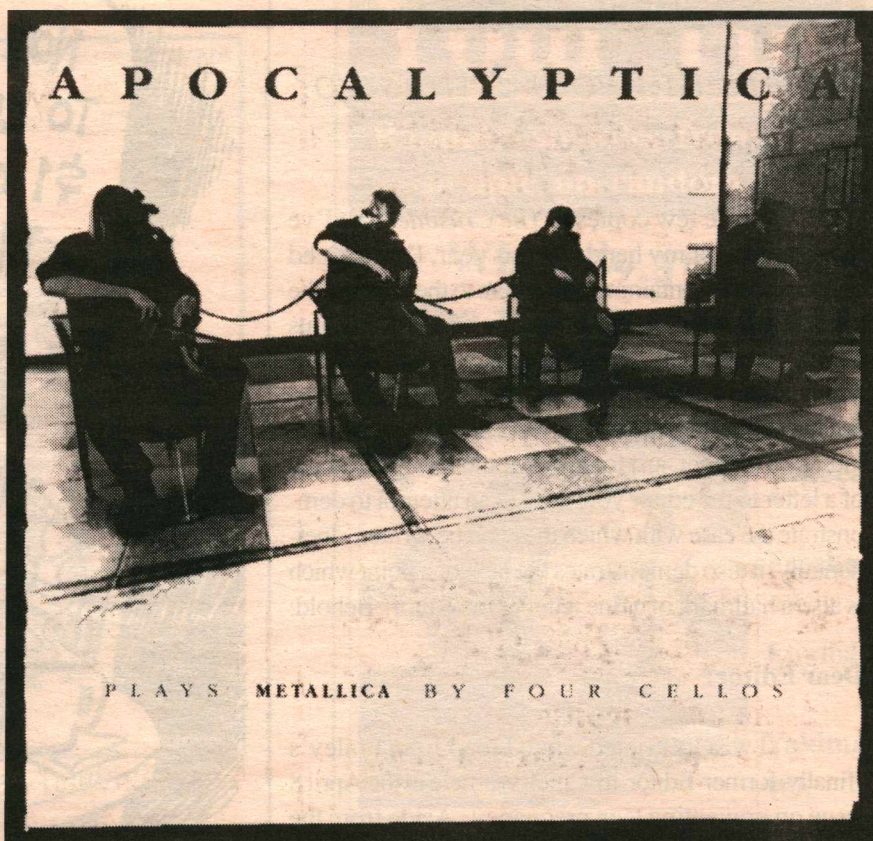
Tom Arnold, Tim Curry

Reviewed by  
Lynnee Friberg

#### Crusader Rating



McHale supports the local villagers by brewing strange concoctions, making ice cream and producing interesting calenders.



## MetalliCello? Huh?

With glee and anticipation, I recently obtained a copy of this rare gem of a recording. I knew Metallica was a fine bunch of musicians, but hearing their music played in a "pure" string format has got to be left-of-center in the musical kingdom (what next, Slayer?). This puppy is an import, so it's a little pricy, but the record guy down on 13th can get it for you if you have around 25 bucks and say "please."

The impression I got from some of the info I found on the internet is confirmed by my own listening: some of it works and some of it doesn't. "Enter Sandman" and "Sad But True" are too simplistic in their original construction to provide much interest in their more "sensitive" renditions. Turning vocal pieces into purely instrumental ones can be a challenge. The lyrics often provide contrast between the repeated verse and chorus music, but this is lost in the translation.

Consequently, much of the material seems even more repetitive than the originals. Much is lost, as the absence of percussive instrumentation and a heavy bass line sap the tunes of most of their original flare. This goes to show how much hard rock relies upon sonic thrust as much as, if not more than, actual musical composition.

However, the intro to "Harvester of Sorrow" retains much of its power in the cello version. At least the cellists play the vocal line in the songs as well as the accompaniment parts to help make the pieces more recogniz-

able.

"Master of Puppets" is the real winner on the album. This piece provides a steady flurry of notes, and the cellos' articulation of the chromatic passages brings a fresh and exciting new interpretation of the song. The octave

intro to "Wherever I May Roam" sounds more Spanish in style through a cello than it does with the original sitar. "The Unforgiven" is the prettiest piece on the record, as the chorus melody translates well onto the cello and approximates a true "classical" feel, as does the interlude section of "Puppets."

The cellos are able to approximate the sound of electric guitars exceptionally well when it comes to the solos.

This rendition of the Metallica library will be a bigger hit for those who have already heard the originals. Those who are virgins to the whole thing may find it awful such fine instruments were used to play such horrible music. And, sorry, no *Load* material here.

In general, Apocalyptica offer a clever novelty rather than a unique musical statement. You probably won't impress any girls, either, with this blasting through your car stereo.

Still, I wonder if this might not spark a "rock as classical" movement? Kiss for violin and orchestra, perhaps? Not likely, although seeing Itzhak Perlman in glitter makeup holding a stringed instrument with smoke and flames coming out would be worth the ticket price.

### Apocalyptica

Plays Metallica by  
Four Cellos

Reviewed by  
Tony Syme

#### Crusader Rating



## CRUSADER REVIEWS

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## LETTERS

*Where did your letters go?*

Dear Editor:

In the few copies of *The Crusader* that I've managed to get my hands on this year, I've noticed only one issue containing any letters to the editor -- the one following the sudden departure of one auspicious faculty member. As a fan of newspapers and *The Crusader* in particular, this alarms me. Where are the articulate and opinionated members of the student body hiding? I thought, just for fun, I would toss an example of a letter to the editor your way in an attempt to demonstrate the ease with which they can be written. Incidentally, it also demonstrates the lack of a point which is also a hallmark of a fine letter to the editor. Behold:

Dear Editor:

I was infuriated when I read John Fraley's (finally-former-Editor-in-Chief's) article in the April 8 issue on preventing teen pregnancy. Aside from the fact that his opinion shows a wholly unChristian and, even worse, liberal slant, he made use of a symbol which I believe to be a tool of the devil to promote the use of e-mail -- the infamous smiley. Please have Mr. Fraley flogged in the Student Center courtyard for all to see and ensure that he is unable to repeat that little stunt.

Yours in Christ,  
Mason Vail :

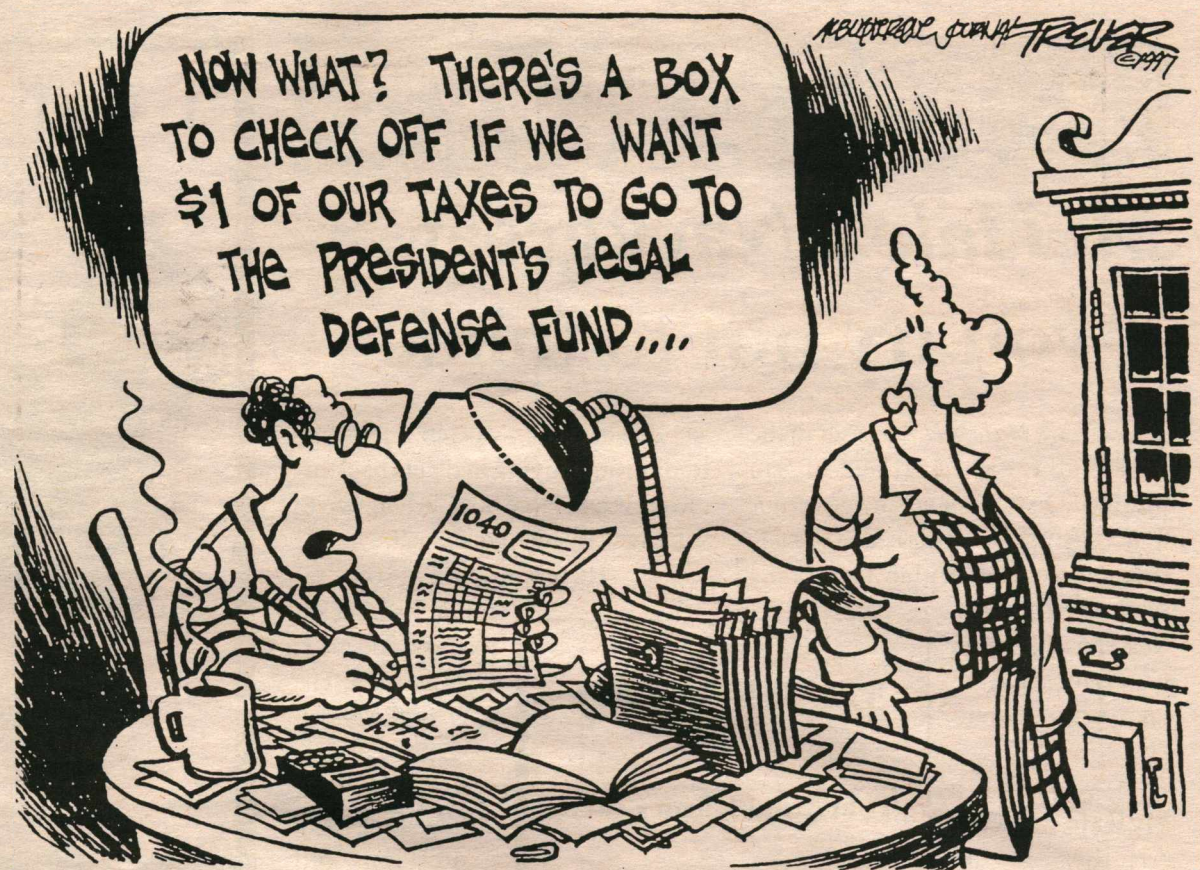
**Staff Infection**

That's like a music trend now. Take high class music people and make them play putrid slop ... Wait, Mozart's dead -- then again, so's Nirvana ... And of course, I mean that in a purely platonic way. No, it's in a socratic way ... So, is Poorly Drawn Man autobiographical, Dave? No -- I've never been hit in the head with an anvil ... Speaking of PDM, it's a good thing that Student Development never noticed he wasn't wearing any clothes ... It's not that I'm financially irresponsible, it's that I'm just fiscally liberated ... I mean, supermodels are ugly!! I wouldn't go that far, Kevin. Just because she married Rod Stewart doesn't make her ugly. Yeah, he's made a lot of money for doing something he's terrible at. So Stillman should make millions at a spelling bee, right? He did win a national geography bee; they had them for grade schoolers. What, did he win, a lifetime Tootsie Roll supply? This is a really long Staff Infection item. Well, there are no rules in this box, are there? ... I hope that Chicago Cubs guy doesn't think I took his quote out of context ... Don't worry. Baseball players can't read ... My high school football team didn't win a game in two years, and that even counts the times we played ourselves ... I didn't have stinky feet until two weeks ago.

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**All of the fun, none of the pain**

When I played basketball in high school, I was a post. For those of you non-basketball types, a post is someone who hangs around the basket and hopes that some random act of God will place a basketball in their hands.

This Random Act of God is known in some circles as a rebound, but in this article I will hold to the computer science tradition of referring to everything in acronyms, and call it a RAOG.

Posts, must be adept at collecting RAOG's. For those of you who would like some pointers from a true professional (until a career ending pinky injury), read on.

There are a number of ways to collect RAOG's. One method for doing this is to stand the court with your hands in your pockets and wait for the ball to come to you. Because this method often results in head injuries, it is not recommended.

A primitive method for avoiding such injuries is to hold your hands above your head to catch the ball, but this technique was discarded because it resulted in jammed fingers. Holding the arms over the head with elbows pointing forward and fists facing back (like airline stewardesses suggest holding the arms in the event of a plane crash) is an excellent way to protect yourself from the ball.

If you can't quite visualize this, just pretend that you are Al Gore during a press conference on campaign finance. This position works great, because if the ball lands somewhere near you, your arms are free to grab it.

The only drawback of holding the arms over the head is that it does not protect the face from basketball ricochets. You are well

**David Stillman**

protected from a ball falling from above, but what if it bounces off the floor and into your face? This could result in extensive damage to the nose, eyes and mouth. For complete protection when collecting RAOG's, one must assume the fetal position and lay on the floor, motionless. This way, no matter how it falls, the ball cannot hurt you.

Some people, of course, are too macho to huddle quivering in the corner of the basketball court

**To be truly safe while collecting rebounds, one must assume the fetal position and lay on the floor, motionless.**

while the game is being played. For those of you who are afflicted with this "macho" disorder, there are still ways to collect RAOG's without physical effort.

The especially astute and attentive can try watching the ball and batting it out of the way with his hands if it ever comes close. This does require the expenditure of energy, but it might allow you to play the game and still feel like a man. Those players who feel they have energy to spare can try actually jumping for the ball. However, jumping is considered cheating in many circles, and could be grounds for expulsion from the basketball court.

Protecting yourself from personal injury becomes much more difficult when there are other players on the court. Playing basketball with more than one person (including yourself) can be very, very dangerous. If you find yourself in one of these situations, you should either quit, or hire bodyguards.

Even with bodyguards, you can still be injured, but the odds are drastically reduced. A good rule of thumb is three bodyguards for every player on the court other than yourself. For example, in a three on three pickup game, a platoon of fifteen bodyguards is a must.

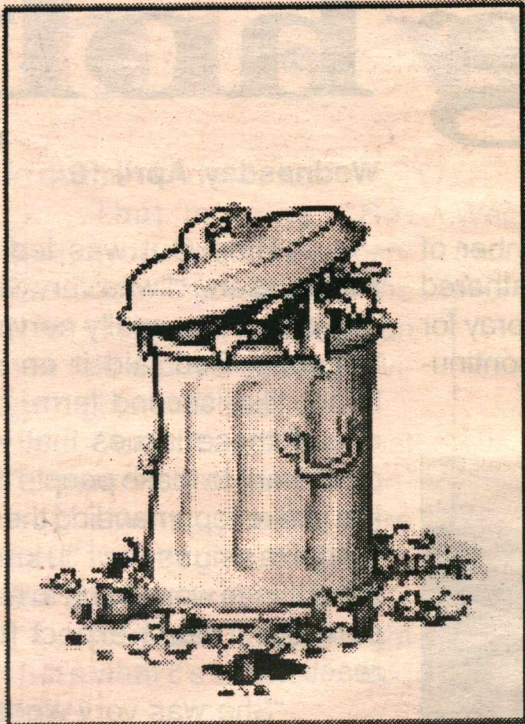
You will probably want to avoid full five on five games, because there really isn't enough room on the court for ten players and twenty-seven bodyguards.

Remember, your bodyguards are not there to kill the other players; they just need to keep your opponents from hurting you. Because of this, it is suggested that your bodyguards refrain from carrying firearms. Really big black metal flashlights requiring ten 'D' cell batteries should be adequate.

This is all, of course, incredibly stupid. No one ever enters the basketball court trying to keep from being injured by the ball. Yet how often do we as Christians simply stand around, waiting for a Random Act of God to present an opportunity to share our faith, and then only if there is no chance of getting hurt. Kind of silly, when you think about it, and yet that's basically what I've been doing.

If we truly want to share our faith and be used by God, then we need to actively seek that, and we can't be afraid to get hurt in the process.





Television



High-Definition Television

LETTERS

To the Editor:

A little after 2:00 a.m. on Thursday, our phone rang. It was our youngest son and he was in tears. I was aware of a lot of background noise as he told me that there were about fifteen guys in his dorm room at Chapman and they had been praying for him.

Before he could say any more, I heard shouts of "Tell her what you did tonight!" He responded with these words, "Mom, I'm a new child of God." We talked for a few moments more and then I turned and told my husband, "Some things never change -- there are still young men in dorm rooms praying for their friends who are lost -- Praise God!" This mom and dad say "Thanks."

We live two long blocks from campus and I could hear the singing and shouting until after 4:00. It was a beautiful sound -- no matter what the police said. Thursday on campus was like a holiday. I could hardly wait to see our boy. The whole family was rejoicing because he had "come home."

**We live two long blocks from campus and I could hear the singing and shouting until after 4:00. It was a beautiful sound...**

Kenny Wade met me in the middle of the street with a bear hug and tears. He wanted to be with me when I saw Andrew. By the time we reached the dorm we had been joined by others who prayed with him during the night. We spent time in his room weeping and thanking God for His faithfulness. All day I was greeted with huge smiles by other young men who had been in Andrew's room and witnessed his new birth. It was an awesome day.

As a student and a mom, I count it a privilege to be here on campus and share this joy with you. Don't give up, stay faithful through the ups and downs. Jesus will be with you through it all. The battle won't be easy, battles never are, but it will be worth it! Remember. Andrew's mom and dad are out there praying for you. Thanks!

-- Judy Watkins

To the Editor:

On Thursday I went to Sutherland's "Prayer and Worship" time. It was a glorious time for the Lord. I went into this time looking for something, but for some reason God had a different direction for me. He led me to a young man, Jeremy Brooks, and I prayed and prayed for this man. God just seemed to be flowing through me. His words just coming out of my mouth. It is so hard to explain how I felt when God moved in that room.

After he led me to pray, God put a conviction on my heart. A conviction that led me to the destruction of over \$1000 in CDs that were very not worthy of our Maker. This was a hard thing for me to do, because music was so much for me. I listened to everything. I loved all kinds of music, and I let everyone know that. I then knew that they were holding me back, and keeping me away from God. Now, all I have are six Christian CDs.

That's not all. On Friday, Mangum had a praise and worship time, too. It started at midnight and went till about 3 a.m. That night I was used for prayer by God. Well, that's what I feel. Then towards the end we started to sing some more songs and worship our Creator. We came to "Amazing Grace" and it made me think of all the bad things I used to do, and I wondered how God felt when I was falling away.

All I could do was fall to my knees and cry. I wept and wept. There was nothing that I could do to stop it. I just asked for God to take it all away. All the sin, the anger, lust, and all the other unholy things in my life, and for him to fill me with his love and presence. It was a magnificent time in MY life. I know that this is hard to believe for some people, but it's my experience and it HAS changed the way I look at life. It's still hard for me to look Satan in the face and say, "Forget you. There's no place for you here." But now I have something that has filled that hole that I was trying to fill with sin; that something is God. I just thank the Lord for always being there for me, even being there when I was stumbling through the thick forest looking for Him, when He was always right beside me.

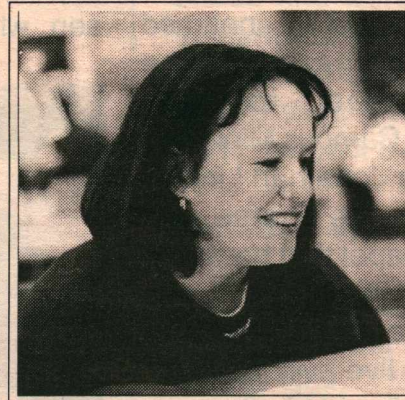
-- Chris Adams

**More letters on page 13**

Your Turn

Random answers from random people on random issues

**What do you think of all the religious happenings on campus?**



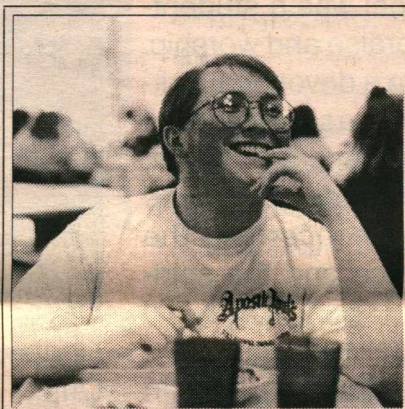
Rachel Garceau

Freshman

English Ed.

Yakima, WA

"I think that God has truly moved NNC and I hope that this is a lasting revival and not something like a camp high."



Brad Hays

Junior

Psychology/  
Philosophy

Colorado Springs, CO

"I'm not real sure what to think of it yet. I'm a little skeptical. I hope it's for real. I pray it's for real."



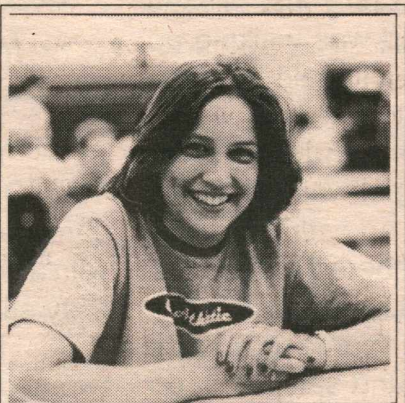
Teri Black

Sophomore

Business

Riverton, WY

"I think that a lot of people are cynical about what's going on, but I think that if it's affected a few lives, then it's a good thing."



Mindy Bales

Freshman

Business Adm.

Yakima, WA

"I think it's really good. I'm excited about what God has been doing with people's lives."



# Something holy

By Jason Isbell,  
Editor-in-Chief

## Thursday, April 10

A group of six unnamed students gathered at the prayer chapel to pray for outgoing Campus Ministries Coordinator Jonathan Lindley concerning the Praise and Worship chapel that he would lead the following day. "It was the most amazing time of prayer that I've ever been involved with," said Lindley.

## Friday, April 11

Chapel was a student-led time of praise and worship. Lindley gave a devotional written with the assistance of some other students. Again, a group of students prayed with Lindley concerning the chapel service and the spiritual well-being of Northwest Nazarene College.

"My stomach was in knots," said Lindley. "I started off with the devotion first. Then I had Rob Readmond and that group come up and lead choruses. During the break, he asked for a praise. We sang another chorus. Rob asked for another praise. Not a soul stirred. Keren Schandorff stepped up to the mike and asked, 'There are over 500 people in this room, and not one of us has a praise?' The hair on my arms just rose."

At that time students began congregating around the altar.

Freshman, Jason Person was one of the students to go forward. "I didn't even want to go up. I just blinked my eyes and was walking up there. God just said 'It's time for revival.'"

Ten minutes after eleven, chapel was still going strong, with an estimated 150 students gathered around the altar at College Church.

"Gene came up and sat next to me and said 'How do you plan on wrapping this up?'" said Lindley. Lindley dismissed chapel about ten minutes later to allow people who

wanted or needed to leave, to do so. A group of students remained in College Church until around 1:30 p.m. One of the last persons to leave was sophomore Missy Rasmussen, who, as she left, said to



A large number of students gathered in Sutherland Hall for a time of praise and worship.

Lindley, "I can't wait for Time Out."

"I was excited because I was going to talk about people making a personal commitment and I had the extreme resolution hand out. (see cover)," said Rasmussen

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~ Jonathan Lindley

That evening, a special Time Out was held. Students came and left as they pleased, with a continual crowd of about sixty students.

This Time Out lasted for two and a half hours and only ended because Can-Ada Security asked the students to leave.

## Saturday, April 12

A unknown number of concerned students gathered in the prayer chapel to pray for the campus and the continuing spiritual emphasis.

## Wednesday, April 16

Time Out was led by Rasmussen. "I was very, very nervous. I was really nervous because God laid it on my heart, like, second term. It's one of those issues that you don't want to make people feel like you're reprimanding them," said Rasmussen. "I knew great things were going to happen, but I didn't expect [the reaction]."

"She was very sincere and she challenged everybody," said Lindley. Mark Walker adds, "It was encouraging to see that it was a genuine thing. It was all straight from the heart."

Rasmussen passed out 200 copies of a pamphlet (see the front cover) which vanished in instants. "Then Ryan [Ketchum] got on the piano. He made a judgment call which was very receptive to the Spirit." Ketchum played softly as people continued to come to the front. "There were people lined up in the aisles looking for a place to kneel," said Lindley.

"It was really neat because it wasn't one of those things where one person comes forward. As soon as I asked people to come forward there was just this wave of people coming up," said Rasmussen.

Time Out finally let out about 12:30 a.m. Students finished with a prayer walk around the campus.

## Thursday, April 17

About forty Chapman men congregated outside of their dorm for a spontaneous prayer and worship session at about 2 a.m.

Compact discs, posters and other items that the freshman believed "were getting in the way of [their] walk" were crushed, broken and burned as the evening continued.

Around 3:30 a.m. the Nampa Police Department requested that they relocate indoors. The students complied with comments such as, "Can we pray with you?" and "Maybe

## Monday, April 14

"Monday's chapels were a bummer," said Lindley. Student elections were being held, so these chapels consisted of election speeches.



Sutherland residents throwing away CDs

## Tuesday, April 15

Fifteen students met in the prayer chapel to pray for Rasmussen, who would be speaking in Time Out the following evening, as well as the NNC community and the Nampa area.



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he doesn't know Jesus!"

That morning, "Revival!" flyers written by freshman Josh Pryor littered the tables of Marriott as Chapman men told stories of the previous nights activities.

Students walking past Mangum Hall noticed an unusual event. "There were about twenty girls singing. I heard these voices coming out of the dorm and I just thought 'That's what it's all about,'" said Walker.

That evening a student led praise and worship service was held in the Sutherland lobby. "We're gonna try to bring the fire of revival to Sutherland Hall," reported Person.

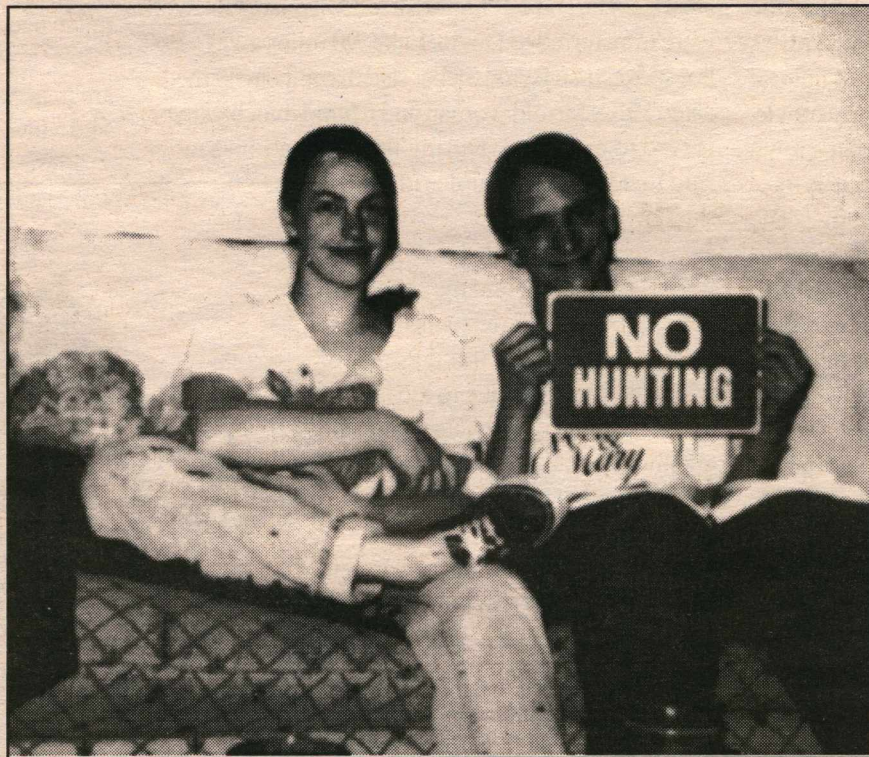
Approximately 150 students crowded into the lobby for a two hour long session of music and testimonies.

## Friday, April 18

ASNNC Spiritual Development Weekend chapel. Mickey Cox spoke on discipleship and maintaining the Christian walk.

"Spiritual Development Weekend was supposed to be second term. It's so ironic that

tended by over one hundred students, lasted for two hours as Mickey discussed practi-



Two of the students who helped bring about the activities: Keren Schandorff and Rob Readmond

everything has fallen together. Everything is perfect to some degree," said Lindley.

Spiritual Development Weekend continued with an evening session of chapel with Mickey Cox. This session, at-

cally applying devotion.

"I think the neatest thing that Mickey did was to keep it simple. He made it easy, [devotions] don't have to be hard. I think the stuff that he said in chapel on Friday

spoke to a lot of people. It spoke to me," said Walker.

At twelve midnight, approximately 60 people gathered at yet another student-led praise and worship; this time in Mangum Hall. Curfew was suspended as students continued to sing, give testimonies and pray until 3 a.m.

## Saturday, April 19

Sixty students gathered for yet another session with Mickey Cox.

"I was a really good time to learn about devotions. To learn how to keep the fire from going out. I was really disappointed that there weren't more people there to make a commitment," said Rasmussen.

Questions of the longevity of many of the commitments have been raised. "It has to be a conscious decision and not an emotional decision. Emotions fail, but when conscious makes a decision you're more likely to stay with it," said Rasmussen.

## NNC students reveal their testimonies

On Wednesday night, at about twelve or so, there was a knock on my door. When I opened it there were three of my good friends standing there in the hallway. I invited them in, seeing that at least one of them seemed to be very shaken up. One of the first things that came out of their mouths was that they had gotten an enormous urge to pray for me. This caught me off guard at first: People praying for me? Now that had never happened to my knowledge, and so I sat down and listened to what they had to say.

We had talked for about ten or twenty minutes when about four more guys from the wing above me, plus my own R.A. came in and came directly to the point of praying at my feet, one even came to the point of holding my legs. At first I

was filled with this deep disgust. "Why are these guys doing this? I don't think that I'm in that much trouble am I? I mean, I've been pretty good about being good to people haven't I?"

Before that night was over, there were probably more than fifteen men packed into my little dorm room, all there praying for me. My mind, at that time, had gone from disbelief to hardness. For a few years now, I've had a sick and twisted version of God working in my life, I would say to myself, "Well, God doesn't care if I do something bad. I mean, he loves me anyway, right?" It wasn't until last night that I realized how much I was hurting Him. I mean, we are all a part of God right? So if we do something that hurts ourselves in the long run, it hurts God right now. It's not that the ends justify the means with God,

everything that we do affects Him now. If we sin to try and do something holy, we still sin and God is hurt by it.

Things were flying through my head: ideas, theories, stupid notions that had in the past succeeded to bring me down into the depths with Satan. I began to realize that this glorified knowledge that I so stupidly held onto was nothing more than my own stupid pride trying to be at the head of my life while it should have been God all along.

It was at that time that I realized how low I had really become, how the entire time these past three years I had been fooling myself into a false life with artificial highs. In five simple minutes, I realized that the entire time that I had been saying that I was as good as God, I had been listening to the devil saying those exact same words in

my ear all along. They weren't my ideas that I was so proud of, it wasn't my theories, it was Satan's ideas that he had been feeding me as long as I had let him.

Then, at that moment, God reminded me, "I LOVE YOU STILL! ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS ASK!" That was when I surrendered, that's when I was led to the loving graces of the Lord by His hand and by the hands of the guys in that room. And with their help, I CLAIMED that grace for myself, and ignited the fire that burns in me still today and with God's strength, forevermore.

--Andrew Watkins

For more testimonies,  
see page 7



# Grand Rapids evacuated after town is flooded

*50,000 residents lose homes to fire and flood as they wait for Federal Disaster Relief*

by Rachel Roemhildt  
Staff Writer

Forget Fargo, they should have made the movie in Grand Forks. Grand Forks, ND, 75 miles downstream from Fargo has been the site of natural disasters... the likes of which you would see in a movie.

The Red River -- which has caused the town of 50,000 to evacuate, is expected to remain at its forecast crest, 54 feet -- is 26 feet above flood stage. The situation has been called a "once-in-500-year flood."

Currently, 90 percent of Grand Forks is underwater. That would be bad enough, but to add to Grand Forks' distress, raw sewage pollutes the flood waters that, in some areas, are 10 feet deep.

To make matters worse, an uncontrollable fire blazed in the business district, destroying seven buildings. Due to the amount of water on the roads, fire trucks were not able to get to the fire until late Saturday. Until that time, firemen stood in frigid waters, not being able to get the fire out. Three of the firemen had to be treated for hypothermia because of exposure to the freezing water.

"We had to get some special Coast Guard pumpers onto our vehicles... and try to douse it that

way," said Captain Wade Davis of the North Dakota National Guard. Helicopters also dropped 2,000-gallon buckets of water to extinguish the fire on Sunday.

The residents of Grand Forks had been evacuated by Monday, including 610 hospital patients, 58 prisoners, and 12 "high-risk federal prisoners" who were transferred to Devils Lake, 90 miles away. Police spokesman Byron Sieber said that a "heavily medicated" 96-year-old woman and a blind man had to be forced to evacuate. During the evacuation, Sieber said that he saw a couple riding jet-skis downtown.

Many people left with only what they had on, and may return to almost nothing. The residents will not be able to return to Grand Forks for two to three weeks due to the lack of services. If the floodwaters reach the telephone switching station, the area could be out of phone services for up to three weeks.

Federal assistance of around \$10,000 to \$15,000 per family will not be enough to meet the needs of those who will lose everything.

"I think we need to have money available for people to rebuild

their houses. Grant money, not loans. The money available now, is just not enough," U.S. Rep. Collin Peterson said.

President Bill Clinton will visit the area on Tuesday, and the city leaders are hoping he will offer much needed assistance.

"When he sees the disastrous condition we are in he will grant us assistance -- much assistance," said Mayor Pat Owens.



# A-10 found in the Colorado Mtns.

*Air Force claims that it is 99.9% sure that the wreckage found in the high country is from the missing plane; weather delays search helicopters from obtaining evidence.*

By Joshua Dooley  
Asst. World News Editor

EAGLE, CO -- An Air Force general claims he is "99.9 percent" sure that a lost A-10 Thunderbolt which has been missing since its crash on April 2, has been located. Maj. Gen. Nels Running said that debris from the New York Mountain range resembles that of an A-10.

Though debris has been possibly discovered, there was no sign of the pilot -- Air Force Capt. Craig Button, 32 -- nor was there any way of telling whether he had ejected from the plane.

The actual debris was found on the side of a 12,500-foot peak about 15 miles southwest of Vail, CO. Even

though no one has been able to get close enough to the site to determine whether or not this is the Air Force's plane, Running seemed sure of it at the press conference Sunday afternoon, due to the "significant snow melt" that led to the discovery 11:20 Sunday morning.

Searchers flew an A-10 pilot in by helicopter to see if the identified pieces, including a piece 18 inches to 2 feet wide and several feet long with paint commonly used as an undercoating in

**The jet, nicknamed "Warthog," has been missing since April 2, when Button took off from Tucson, AZ on a routine training mission.**

the military, were those of an actual A-10. At first glimpse, Capt. Chuck Mitchell felt the debris wasn't an A-10, but a closer look led him to agree with Running's declaration that this was the missing plane.

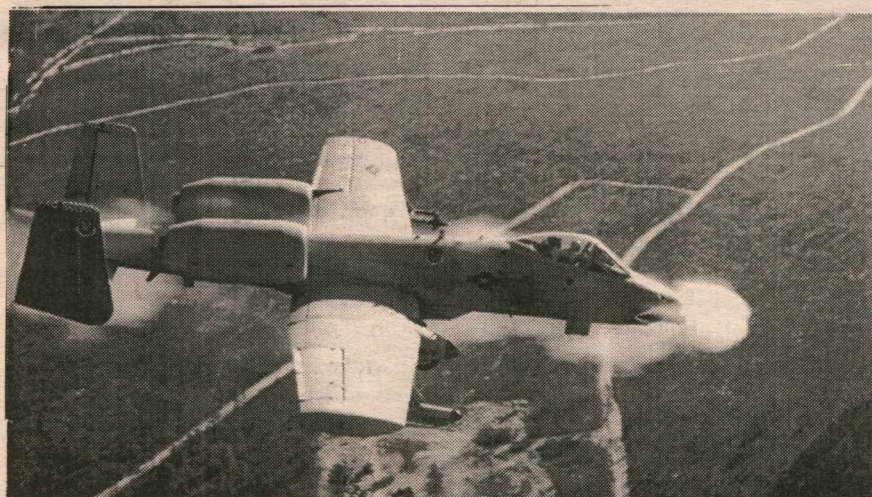
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thog," has been missing since April 2, when Button took off from Tucson, AZ on a routine training mission.

So far, bad weather has hampered searching efforts. If that's not enough, Running described the terrain

where the debris was discovered as very steep and snow covered at an altitude of approximately 12,500 feet. The search helicopter that was assigned had to get within 30 feet of the sheer rock face, just to find the pieces. The helicopter was able to land on a ridge a half-mile away, but it too was "extremely sheer," and there was no way searchers could get closer to the wreckage.

Searchers were hoping that an MH-53 helicopter, capable of hovering in high winds, would be able to get to the site Monday. Unfortunately, the winds were too much, even for that helicopter. Up to a foot of fresh snow and winds gusting up to 45 mph kept a recovery crew from reaching the remote sight so far. "We're going to retrieve as much as we can," said Running.



This A-10 Warthog is similar to the one lost over the Colorado Rockies on April 2. A-10 pilots help searchers identify debris from the air.





# Bomb disrupts London transportation

*Bomb alert shuts down planes, trains, and automobiles as commuters traverse London*

by Andrew J. Diehl  
World News Editor

LONDON, ENGLAND -- London commuters were caught in gridlock as security alerts forced authorities to close roads, air terminals and underground rail systems after an unattended bag exploded in a Heathrow terminal.

The small, controlled explosion in the terminal had authorities looking for further explosives in two other London terminals. The Heathrow media office stated that security officials gave the all clear after only evacuating terminal 3.

Gatwick and Luton Airports, though, were closed while police searched the buildings for further explosives. Luton officials confirmed that they had received a coded warning Monday morning.

A similar warning was phoned to the Eastern Docks at Dover.

Police also evacuated mainline stations at King's Cross, Charing Cross, Paddington, St. Pancras and the busy Baker Street underground station after

receiving a number of coded threats that bombs had been left. All of the stations were reopened about noon.

"Basically west London and central London are closed," stated Royal Automobile spokesman Peter Brill. "This is going to be some of the worst traffic chaos that we have seen in London for many years, if ever."

The Irish Republican Army is suspected of

**The Irish Republican Army is suspected of originating all of the coded warnings. Friday's IRA explosion disrupted both highways and railways in northern England.**

originating all of the coded warnings. They have not, though, given any claim to the Monday warnings like they did for those that occurred on Friday. Friday's IRA explosion disrupted both highways and railways in northern England.

No one was hurt in any of the explosions.

Political analysts believe that the turnout from the IRA is merely the use of a highly publicized time. The outlawed organization is suspected of just using publicity that is forefront to the May 2 elections. Basically they are making a maximum show of strength before the election.

England's Prime Minister, John Major, expressed the usual contempt for the IRA. He also praised the "stoicism and good humor" of English travelers.

"It is essential to take these warnings seriously," he said. "The IRA have murdered in the past. They will not hesitate to murder again... I am extremely grateful to the public for the way in which they have responded this morning."

## ...very briefly...

### People news

BERKELEY, CA --  
Gene

Roddenbury and Timothy Leary had little more in common than the fact that their dreams were as high as the stars... until now. While Roddenbury's dreams were those of warp drives and Vulcans and Leary's was a drug induced haze, they now will share a trip together to where few men have gone before. The cremated remains of the two have been placed with those of 20 other people and loaded on to a rocket. The rocket is part of a science project by Cal-Berkeley and Spain. The rocket is to be used to put a research satellite into space. Each space is costing the "passenger," or the estates of, \$4,800 per seat. Many feel, though, that science will be lost to the ashes.

### Business news

CINCINNATI, OH --  
Production is to

continue for Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. as over 12,500 employees went on strike at nine different plants across the South and Midwest. The strike was announced by the United Steelworkers of America at midnight after the last contract expired at that time. Previously, the workers were represented by the United Rubber Workers International until it recently merged with United Steelworkers in 1995. The union's position greatly hinders Goodyear's flexibility according to a Goodyear spokesman. Contract issues include not only wage and benefits of the workers, but also, the Union wants negotiating power over 20,000 other union workers that Goodyear employs.

### Cow news

SONOMA CO.,  
CALIFORNIA --

The home of the hula hoop and the water bed bring on the latest in farm comfort. The rubber mattress for dairy farmer George McClelland was purchased, not for himself, but for each of his 250 cows. After spending \$25,000, McClelland believes that the cows have been giving a bit more milk and suffering fewer health problems as well.

"They chop up the rubber real fine, so it gives it kind of a mattress feel," says McClelland. "The girls lay here, content, and some of 'em are chewing their cud. You can always tell a contented cow when they're chewing their cud. Happy cows are productive cows." McClelland is currently thinking of trying pillows next.

## What do I care?

Lawmakers  
in Israel  
have prob-

lems that you think would have come out of America. Monday it was demanded by the opposition and a public watchdog group that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and two senior officials be charged for corruption and various scandal.

They argued that it was "highly unreasonable" for Netanyahu to escape indictment by prosecutors on Sunday after police recommended that he be tried for fraud and breach of trust.

What I find interesting is how it can be paralleled to American politics. Actually, any political entity can have this problem.

Why is this? Why is it that man so precisely and predictably falls into this category of unpredictability? Is politics just a grand research project by theologians to prove original sin and the like?

If absolute power corrupts absolutely, then what is up with these guys? Now that we have democracies springing up everywhere, is it only that we have a few written rules against it that we decide that it is wrong?

I know that these ramblings tend to be pretty pointless but follow me for just a moment. We act as though all of our elected leaders are completely fallible and that the guys before them didn't make any mistakes or were corrupted by anything.

If that were so, then there would have been no reason at all to begin democracy in the first place. Kings would have ruled their subjects fairly and they all would have been Communists or believed in some sort of communal living arrangement.

That wasn't the case, though (obviously). There is a fine line that must be drawn. When is it power and when is it leadership? While it is true that the Israeli leaders probably should be canned, how much can or should we question our elected officials? When is it proper for us to look at our leaders and say, "You guys really screwed up!!!" Is it the business of political watchdog groups, or should the people themselves actually keep an eye on these things themselves?

An odd concept I know, but if we kept an eye on the leaders in the first place would we still have these problems? What would happen if people cared?

--analysis by Andrew J. Diehl

## Around the world in eighty words

Compiled by Andrew J. Diehl  
World News Editor

### Comet grows third tail

This past Friday, a group of astronomers at the Isaac Newton Group of telescopes in the Canary Islands were in awe as to how to explain the sodium tail that was created with Hale-Bopp.

"It's a bit of a surprise... It may be the most surprising thing we've had with Hale-Bopp," says Astronomer Brian Marsden.

It's already been known that comets have two types of tails, one of dust, and the other of electrically charged gas called plasma. Sodium has been known to be contained in comets, but not in the form of a tail.

### "Spiderman" climbs for charity

34-year-old Alain Robert of France truly is the "Amazing Spiderman." Without the use of a rope or net, Robert uses special climbing shoes to scale buildings around the world. Since 1994, Robert has climbed up the Empire State Building, Hong Kong's Far East Finance Center and Sydney's Centrepoint Tower. His most recent feat was the Sabah Foundation building in Kota Kinabulu in far eastern Malaysia. As a charity benefit, the climb benefitted several Malaysian charities with \$150,000.

### Legal Marijuana shop busted

San Francisco, CA -- The debate over the medicinal use of marijuana suffered a set-back as federal DEA officers stormed a San Francisco marijuana club yesterday afternoon. 331 plants, plus growing equipment, were seized by agents at the Flower Therapy Medical Marijuana Club. Under federal law it is still illegal to possess marijuana, while California law allows for medical purposes.



# Crusader tennis ends next week

by Robin Day  
Sports Editor

The NNC tennis team's season is drawing to a close as next weekend the team travels to Lewis and Clark State College for the regional tournament. Last week, the team took on Central Oregon Community College and Southern Oregon State College. The 'Saders triumphed over COCC, winning 5-4, but fell to Southern Oregon 7-2.

Jessica Menard was voted the Pizza Hut player of the week for her two wins of the weekend, one at Southern Oregon and the other over COCC. Menard performed outstandingly against her Southern Oregon opponent, defeating Sherry Bainbridge in two quick sets. Jenny Kung defeated her opponent also in three sets, and Sara Hamilton lost a close match in three sets, playing one of her best matches all year. Head coach Darrell Humphrey was extremely happy with his team's weekend play. "We're definitely play-

*'Saders looking forward to matchups with ACI*

by Robin Day  
Sports Editor

This last weekend, the baseball Crusaders took on Western Oregon University twice, losing both times and dropping their record to 6-17.

The 'Saders played well Friday night, playing in a double header. Head coach John Muir commented, "We played pretty good baseball. It was the best that we've played in a while."

Unfortunately, Western Oregon played better defeating the Crusaders 4-8 and 5-10. "Western Oregon hasn't played well lately," said Muir wryly, "but they have some talented pitchers who stepped up for them on Friday."

The 'Saders now have four games against rival Alberson College of Idaho to look forward to. "We're 1-1 with Alberson right now," commented Muir. "ACI always plays well. This will be a good series for us." These next few games will also be crucial for the Crusaders, as ACI is ranked number 12 nationally, while NNC remains unranked.

## Tennis results: SOSC 7- NNC 2

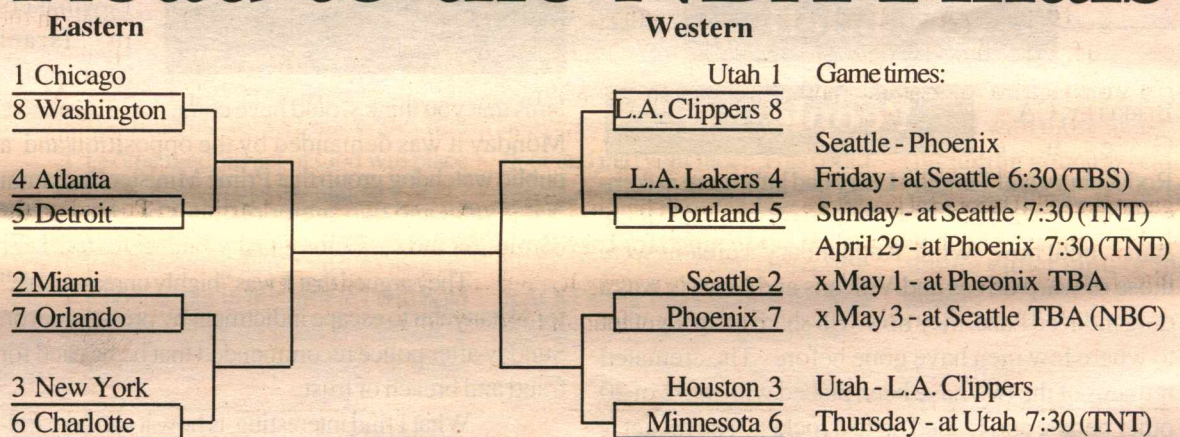
#1 Singles-L Betsy Hamann, So.	#6 Singles-W Jessica Menard, Jr.
#2 Singles-L Stephanie Ridlen, Fr.	#1 Doubles-L Stephanie Ridlen, Fr.
#3 Singles-L Amanda Johnson, Jr.	Sara Hamilton, Fr.
#4 Singles-L Sara Hamilton, Fr.	#2 Doubles-L Amanda Johnson, Jr.
#5 Singles-W Jenny Kung, So.	Betsy Hamann, So.
	#3 Doubles-L Jessica Menard, Jr.
	Nicole Corbin, Jr.

ing the best tennis that we've played all year, and now's the best time for that with the regional tournament coming up next weekend--we couldn't have picked a better time."

The regional tournament will have five teams competing in it; NNC, Southern Oregon, ACI, LCSC, and Seattle University. The only team that the 'Saders haven't come up against is Seattle University. Said

Humphrey, "They're the unknown. We should do well against the others and we have high hopes for a good showing in the singles." The Crusader coaches have high hopes for the singles players, who have been matching up well and playing competitively. The #1 doubles team, consisting of freshmen Hamilton and Ridlen, has shown much potential and is also expected to do well at the regional tournament.

## Road to the NBA Finals



## Playoffs finalized

The Washington Bullets clinched their first play-off berth in eight years with a 85-81 win over the Cleveland Cavaliers. Chris Weber led the Bullets with 23 points and 17 rebounds, earning his team the right to take on the Chicago Bulls in a five game play-off series.

Shaquille O'Neal helped

give the Seattle Supersonics the Pacific Division Championship and a second seed in the playoffs by missing two free throws with 1.2 seconds left in the Lakers game against Portland. Portland won 100-96, to earn a rematch with the Lakers in the Playoffs. Portland has beaten the Lakers three times in four attempts this season.

Utah - L.A. Clippers

Thursday - at Utah 7:30 (TNT)  
Saturday - at Utah 5:30 (TNT)  
April 28 - at L.A. 7:30 (TNT)  
x April 30 - at L.A. TBA  
x May 4 - at Utah TBA

L.A. Lakers - Portland  
Friday - at L.A. 7:30 (TNT)  
Sunday - at L.A. 12:00 (NBC)  
April 30 - at Portland 7:30 (TNT)  
x May 2 - at Portland TBA (TNT)  
x May 4 - at L.A. TBA

## Blackhawks upend Avalanche in playoff series' third game

CHICAGO, IL- It took two overtimes for the Chicago Blackhawks to defeat the Colorado Avalanche 4-3. Chicago's Sergi Krivokrasov broke the defending champion's aura of invincibility by sneaking the puck past Avalanche goaltender Patrick Roy at 11:03 in the second overtime.

Chicago won despite Roy's 53 saves. The Avalanche currently lead the best of seven series two to one.

Elsewhere in the Stanley Cup race, the New York Rangers shut out the Florida Panthers 3-0. Wayne Gretzky had a goal and an assist in the game, which brought the series to a 1-1 tie.

## Chicago Cubs finally end record-breaking, embarrassing streak

CHICAGO, IL- The Chicago Cubs finally won a game Sunday by beating the NY Mets 4-3, and then beat them again on Monday 6-4. The wins give the Cubs a 2-14 record and breaks up the second worst start ever for a major league baseball team. The worst was the Baltimore Orioles, who went 0-21 in 1988.

"Unbelievable," said Cubs first baseman Mark Grace after the first win. "It was uncharted water for us to be shaking hands after the game. I can't describe the feeling. We won a game."

The Cubs won despite losing Ryne Sandberg, who was injured last week when he was hit by a line drive while sitting in the dugout.

## Pace goes first in '97 draft; Plummer goes to Cards in 2nd round

HOUSTON, TX- Ohio State's Orlando Pace was the top pick of the St. Louis Rams, becoming the first offensive tackle to be picked #1 in the draft since 1968. The Big Ten offensive player of the year was widely regarded as the best player in the draft. *USA Today* summed up his weaknesses with one word: none.

Only one quarterback, Virginia Tech's Jim Druckenmiller, was picked in the first round. He went to the San Francisco 49ers.

Jake Plummer, a graduate of Boise High School, was taken in the second round by the Arizona Cardinals. Heisman trophy winner Danny Wuerfel became the 99th overall pick when picked by the New Orleans Saints.



# Softball in full swing

Compiled by staff members from box scores

The 1997 men's and ladies' intramural softball seasons got underway on Thursday the 10th. Nine men's teams will be competing for the '97 title, while six women's teams have entered.

On the men's side, the Dongers squeaked by the nameless Team 1 in a high-scoring season opener, 18-17, when Brian Richey hit a grand slam in the bottom of the seventh inning.

The Dongers then blew also name-deficient Team 9 out of the water 16-0 in their next game. Team 9 managed only three hits on the evening.

Chachi opened its season successfully following that game by trouncing Off 19-7.

Team 1 showed it had recovered from its first-day defeat to blow out Off in a 25-9 laugher and Chachi 18-2. Six of 1's players scored at least three times in the first game, and all 10 scored at least once in both games, which were called after five innings.

Blitzkrieg opened its sea-

The standings			
Men's league		Women's league	
Blitzkrieg	3-0	V-Ball	2-0
Dongers	2-0	Gilbey Girls	2-1
Chachi	1-0	Team 2	2-1
Team 1	1-1	George Bush	1-1
Team 5	0-1	Rocketeers	0-2
The Stones	0-1	Like Butter	0-2
Team 9	0-1		

son on Monday with a 7-3 win over Team 5, then confirmed high expectations by defeating the Stones 6-5 on Tuesday and Off 10-9 on Thursday.

In the women's league, Team 2 pulled out an opening day 5-3 victory over the Gilbey Girls when Charity Friedly grounded out to short in the bottom of the seventh with two runners on.

In the following game, George Bush (what a name!) destroyed The Rocketeers 23-7.

The girls VB team were too much for Like Butter, as they cruised to an easy 16-4 victory. Tab Bloom went four for four with four

times for the VBers.

The Gilbey Girls redeemed themselves on Monday with a 16-13 win over the Rocketeers. The G Girls used an 8-run fourth inning to rally from an early 8-2 deficit.

Team 2 moved to 2-0 by beating George Bush 16-6 on Tuesday, setting up a meeting of the unbeaten on Thursday with the Volleyball team. The VB girls came out on top 2-1 in this one; Alisha Halverson drove in the winning run in the fifth inning.

Earlier on Thursday, the Gilbey Girls had defeated Like Butter 10-6.

## More letters to the editor: Continued from pg. seven

Dear Editor:

On Wednesday, April 16, 1997, at about somewhere between 7:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. I was crying in front of a computer terminal. I was contemplating suicide. This was not the first time that I had contemplated suicide. I wanted to kill myself Second Term and I would have if I hadn't called a close friend of mine at 2:00 in the morning.

During my sophomore year at NNC, I was going through a rough time dealing with relationships. I was deeply involved in a sexual addiction (pornography). I wanted to kill myself so I could end the pain once and for all. Fortunately, through a letter I received from my home church, I was encouraged to continue on with my life due to the simple fact that my church was praying for me.

I was typing out a suicide note that I was going to send to a friend through e-mail. Later on, I deleted the suicide note, packed up my things, and headed back to Corlett. I tried calling close friends of mine; three of them weren't home. In desperation, I called #8513 and Kevin Haydon answered the phone. I asked him a question point-blank: "Do you guys care about me?" He said, "Of course I do." "Really?" I asked. "Yeah." Kevin invited me to come to Time Out with him.

I wasn't sure if I wanted to go to Time Out or not, but I did. And since that time, I have never been the same. I've been praying for revival for five years. It's still mind boggling to see how the Holy Spirit has moved on our campus in a mighty way. This is defi-

nately a genuine work of God. If it wasn't, it would fail miserably. I mean, two of my friends got saved in Chapman Hall! Who would ever think that ten guys would get saved in a freshmen dormitory.

I'm 23 years old and I'll finally be graduating from NNC with a Bachelor's Degree in Speech-Communications. I have absolutely NO CLUE as to what I'm going to do after graduation. And I'm not the only one who feels this way. I was really depressed last year since most of my classmates were graduating and I wasn't going to be able to join them.

Last year, a young woman was in hot pursuit of me as a possible candidate for marriage. I said to her, "NO WAY!" This is one reason why I'm not in a serious relationship right now. Another reason is because of my parents' divorce that happened twenty years ago. I don't want the same thing to happen to me. I've asked God this question many times: "Why in the world did you bring me to NNC in the first place?!" After last Friday night's service in the Administration Building Auditorium, I finally found out why. God brought me here to change my heart.

Two songs have stuck inside my head throughout the year. One song is by Point of Grace and the last part of the chorus goes: "When it looks like you've lost it all and you haven't got a prayer, **Jesus will still be there.**" The other song goes like this: "All your anxiety, all your cares; bring to the mercy seat, leave it there. Never a burden He cannot bear, **never a friend like Jesus.**"

--Brian Westcott

To the Editor,

"Sitting at Jesus' feet--that is where my life is

complete." What powerful theology. Thank you, NNC, for reminding me that this is where I need to be. I am a "non-traditional" student. I am 32 years old, married and I have two children and live in Meridian.

When I started school in January of this year, it took me only two weeks to develop an attitude toward my classmates. I have a different perspective than most other people here.

I am disadvantaged because I wasted my life after high school. I began attending NNC in 1984 as a religion major preparing for the ministry. I was not ready and I dropped out quickly.

In 1985, I went to a small college in Kansas with the same idea. I drank so much that I don't remember hardly anything for all of 1985. Abandoning schooling I began a drunken binge that lasted until I met my wife in 1986. She was my rescue from alcohol. Through the years she has been my rescue back to Christ. Last year I made commitments to God that renewed my salvation and enthusiasm for Christ. I rededicated myself to going to full-time ministry.

When I began classes in January, I immediately began judging others. I have been there and done what you have done, yet I was out of touch. I condemned my classmates because they did not fit my ideal. The Holy Spirit chose to hit me over the head with my prejudice. I have been enjoying school chapels and when we had the latest student-led chapel, the Lord moved me deeply. Who am I to judge? I merely need to keep a humble spirit and let God use who he will. Help me, Lord, to catch hold of this revival. Bless me and use me. Amen.

--Dan Morgan

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Top Ten major questions (as collected from faculty and staff)

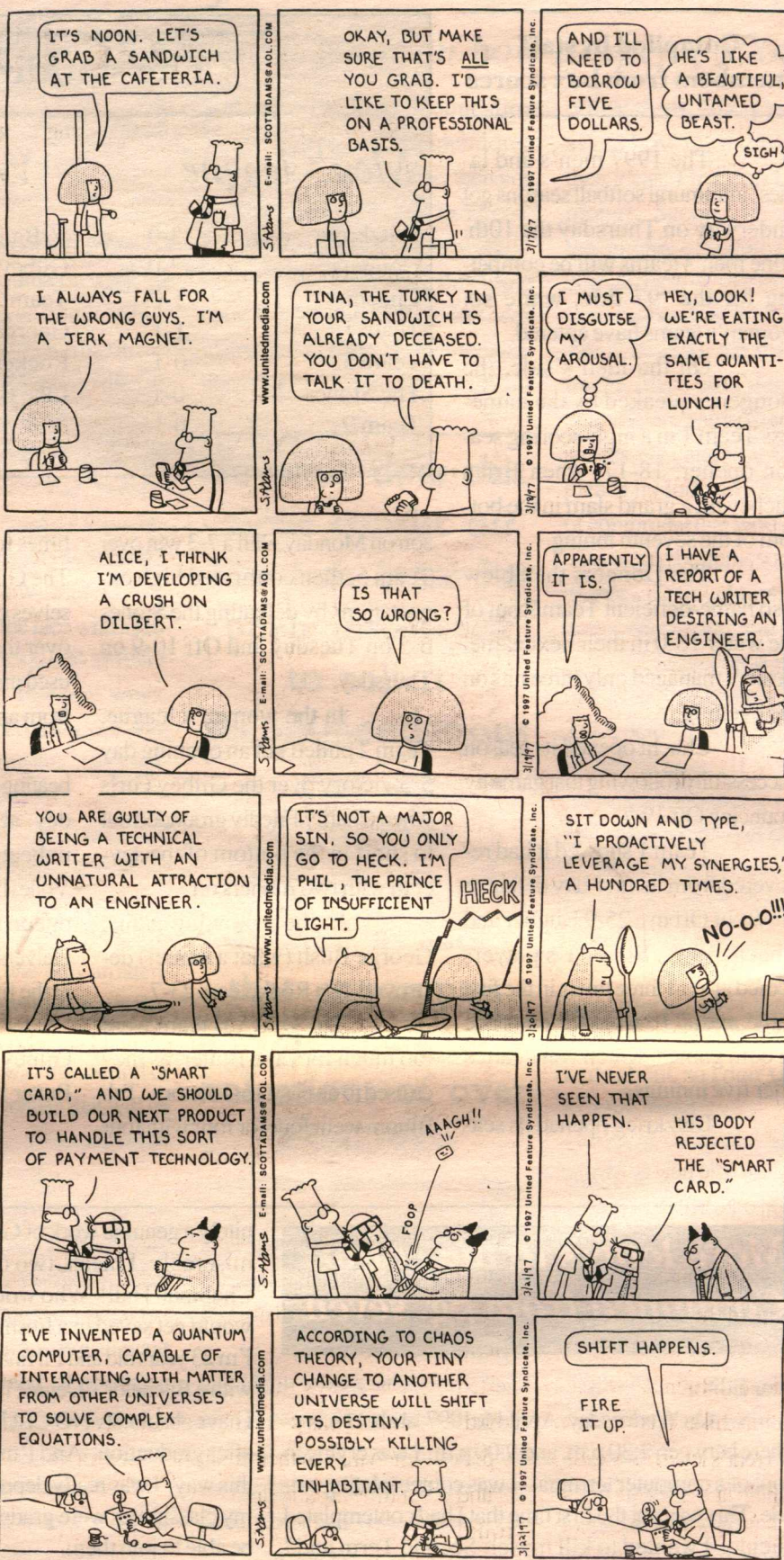
10. What does it mean if someone finds their funny bone only slightly amusing? (Nurse Hutter)
9. Could someone get addicted to counseling? How could you treat them? (Joanne Ritmueller)
8. How can there be self help groups? (Mary Perry)
7. Which came first: The chicken salad sandwich or the egg salad sandwich? (Dr. Crawford)
6. Let's say you trip on a stalagmite & it embeds in your stomach. You then tumble onto your back in pain. Since it is now directed downward, would it be classified as a stalagmite? (Prof. Mangum)
5. Should a mute get scolded for talking with his hands full? (Dr. Owens)
4. If your eyes are the windows of your soul, does that make your eyebrows the valances? (Dr. Double E. Hill)
3. Is there another word for "synonym?" (Reg Hill)
2. Did Oedipus call his obsession with his mother a "Me-complex"?? (Dr. Ponsford)
1. How do you suggest they fix the hole in the bottom of the suggestion box? (ASNNC)

Compiled by Jennifer Sherblom while attempting to decide on a major.

You can turn **Top Tens** in to NNC Box C. If you make them funny, they stand a heckuva lot better chance of being printed. Happy listmaking.

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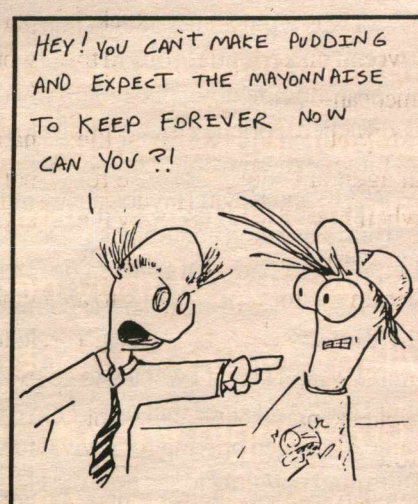
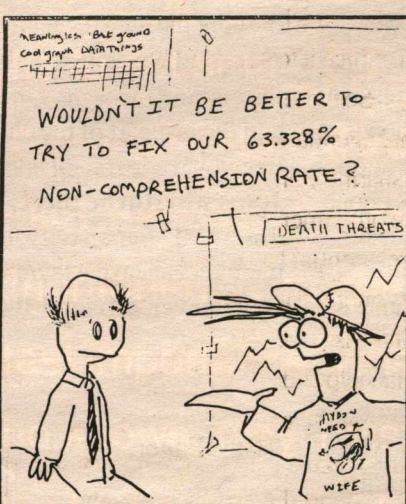
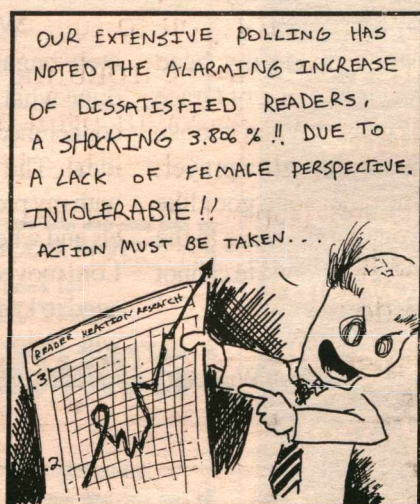
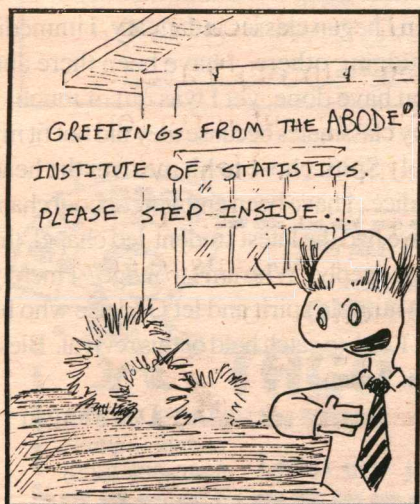
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## The Abode

By Garrett Schmelzenbach





Dave Barry

Dave's pointers for the Republican Party

I recently received some very exciting mail. And I'm not talking about a sleazy letter from some magazine-selling outfit claiming I won a sweepstakes. I'm talking about a sleazy letter from the Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate, Trent Lott.

Trent--I call him "Trent"; he calls me "David"--informs me that I "have been nominated as one of Florida's 15 representatives on the Republican Presidential Roundtable." Trent explains that the Roundtable is "a unique group of only 400 Americans," and that "recently, a vacancy occurred"; he's hoping I will "consider stepping forward to fill it."

"It's not often in life that one is called upon to lead," notes Trent.

This is true. The last time I was called upon to lead was when I was a counselor at Camp Sharparoon, and I led a cabin of 12-year-olds on a nature hike directly into the heart of what

hed to be North America's largest bee colony. That was in 1966, and the swelling is just now subsiding on some of those campers.

Of course the Republican Presidential Roundtable is not interested in a nature hike. It is interested, according to Trent's letter, in obtaining my "personal help and assistance in shaping and driving our Republican national agenda."

I do have some thoughts on that. I think that Item No. 1 on the Republican national agenda would be to introduce a bill that would enable the Senate Majority Leader to change his first name from "Trent" to something that makes him sound more like the kind of strong legislative stud we want running our Senate, such as "Dirk," or "Buck," or--this would make me very proud to be an American--"Mojo."

My other suggestion for the national agenda occurred to me recently when I read about a plan by the federal government to pay hospitals NOT to train doctors. According to a *New York Times* article that I swear I am not making up, the federal government is going to pay 41 teaching hospitals in New York State \$400 million of your tax dollars to stop training so many

doctors, thereby stemming "a growing surplus of doctors."

Perhaps your reaction to this program is: "Hey, if there's such a surplus of doctors, how come whenever I try to see one, I have to sit in the waiting

want to consider what kind of deal I can get from the Democrats.

As I understand it, the Democrats have a whole menu of options for contributors. If you pay so much, you get coffee with the president; if you pay

donation is illegal, which means they have to give it back.

The downside is, if you give money to the Democrats, reporters will snoop around and eventually link you to "Whitewater"--there is no activity on Earth, including erosion, that is not ultimately connected to "Whitewater"--and President Clinton will issue a statement about you making these points:

1. He doesn't know you.
2. Well, OK, he DOES know you, but he didn't promise you anything.
3. Well, OK, he DID promise you something, but it was not technically illegal.
4. But if it WAS illegal, the Republicans do the same thing all the time, and we need to put a stop to it.
5. It was Chelsea's idea.

I don't need that kind of hassle. So I'm frankly thinking that maybe I won't be donating to either political party. Bill and Dirk will just have to

call on somebody else to help them lead, somebody more in tune with the ethical concepts involved in modern political fund raising. I hear O.J. is available.

The Times says that health-care experts greeted this plan as "brilliant." Bear in mind that, in their field, they spend a lot of time around drugs.



room long enough to watch 'Rocky' and all 14 sequels?" This shows why you are an ordinary dirtball taxpayer, as opposed to a health-care expert. *The Times* says that health-care experts greeted this plan as "brilliant." Bear in mind that, in their field, they spend a lot of time around drugs.

My own reaction to the plan is that it would be perfect with one minor modification: Instead of paying the \$400 million to teaching hospitals, we should pay it to law schools, on the condition that they promise to stop producing lawyers, which already outnumber humans in some cities. Naturally, because this is a free country, any given law school would always have the option not to participate, in which case Army tanks would reduce it to smoking rubble.

So those are my feelings on the national agenda. Unfortunately, I may not be sharing them with Sen. Mojo Lott and the other members of the Republican Presidential Roundtable, because when you get to page two of Trent's letter it turns out that, in addition to my personal help and assistance in shaping and driving the national agenda, they want 5,000 of my personal dollars. And before I spend that kind of money, I

more, you get to stay overnight in the Lincoln Bedroom; if you pay still more, you get to use the Jefferson Bidet; and so on up the donor scale until you reach the level of your major supporters such as Indonesia or Barbara Streisand; at this level, you get the Executive Package, in which you get to appoint an ambassador, veto a bill and launch a nuclear attack against the city of your choice. Another plus with the Democrats is, it will probably turn out that your

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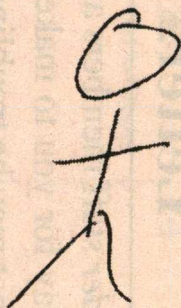
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