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Raising hope and support



Asher Gismondi plays in a kiddie pool this summer. Asher has Down Syndrome and a team will be walking on his behalf during this year's Buddy Walk in Boise to raise money and awareness (photo courtesy of Tammi Gismondi).

Team Asher will participate in this year's 'Buddy Walk'

by ANDREA SCHILLING

On Saturday the Treasure Valley Down Syndrome Association is holding the Buddy Walk in downtown Boise, geared toward raising money and awareness for the National Down Syndrome Society.

The walk has ties to the

NNU community. Professor of Political Science Mark Gismondi and wife Tammi Gismondi, former adjunct English professor, have a son affected by Down Syndrome. Their son, Asher, is 17 months old. A few days after Asher's birth it was confirmed that he had Down Syndrome via blood

test, said Mrs. Gismondi.

Gismondi has created a team for the event representing her son, entitled "Team Asher." Sophomore Rachel Allen has taken on the leadership role of getting students aware of the upcoming event due to her close ties with the family.

"I used to babysit Asher

Gismondi, and my family has been friends with the Gismondis for a while," said Allen. "When Tammy asked me to be involved in the Buddy Walk, I was excited."

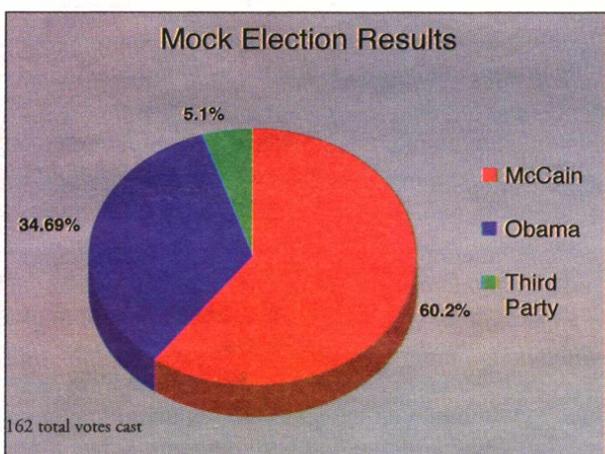
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NNU students choose McCain in mock election

by AIMEE NILES

Last Wednesday, The Crusader held a mock presidential election following the newspaper-sponsored debate. McCain won, getting 59 percent of the vote. Obama received 34 percent and a generic third party candidate received 5 percent of the vote.

Four students acted as



surrogates to the candidates during Wednesday's chapel time. Senior Tony Napier and junior Grant Miller represented the McCain campaign, and senior Hannah Beers and junior Jason Montgomery represented the Obama campaign.

The Crusader then held

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Peterson named new VP of Financial Affairs

by ALLISON HAWN

This November NNU will have a new vice president of financial affairs. David Peterson served on the Board of Trustees for nine years previous to his appointment by President Alexander and his acceptance by the Board of Trustees. He will be replacing outgoing Vice President Joel Pearsall.

Peterson has a long history with NNU, beginning with his graduation as a psychology major when NNU was still Northwest Nazarene College. Since then he has been deeply involved in various campus programs such as the Ad hoc Investment Committee, the Honorary Committee and he has volunteered for both Academic Affairs and Financial Affairs.

David Peterson has a lot of experience with both money and schools and has been employed with King's Schools, Sears, Roebuck and Company and Boeing Company. During his 11 years at the Boeing Company he worked as a financial analyst and planner for new projects.

"His experience in strategic financial planning is invaluable, he served

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Homecoming Run

The psychology department is hosting a walk/run to raise money for scholarships.



Cross Country

The Crusader runners finish strong in the Charles Bowles Invitational.



Alienating people Does "How to Lose Friends and Alienate People" win or lose?



Weather

THURSDAY Mostly sunny. Hi: 55° Low: 32°	FRIDAY Chance of snow showers. Hi: 48° Low: 28°
SATURDAY Chance of showers. Hi: 49° Low: 29°	SUNDAY Mostly sunny. Hi: 48° Low: 30°
MONDAY Mostly sunny. Hi: 60° Low: 37°	TUESDAY Mostly sunny. Hi: 62° Low: 36°

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Cursive screams experimental rock, but is still good



by RACHAEL FINCH

Since the late 90's Cursive has been producing a meld of alternative, punk, indie and post-hard core. The band produces angst-ridden music for the post teen, with a natural despair in its tone.

Cursive, of Omaha, Neb., screams 90's experimental rock at the top of its lungs, despite the fact that it is still recording today. This is not

to say that its music has not progressed, rather that its music exemplifies the musical tone of the 90's, specifically the persona of the post-hard core movement.

The band cites Pixies, The Cure and Tool as influences on its Myspace page. The influences of Pixies and Tool can be heard most in the band's music. Cursive has the experimental nature of Pixies with the tone of Tool. Fans of all three bands would probably enjoy Cursive.

"Domestica," released in 2000, is a ride on a controlled jam session. The feel of the music is like sitting in on a garage band's practice, but with a little more

control and polish. The album has the energy of a live show and is undeniably catchy, but not in the way radio rock is. It uses far more dissonance than radio listeners are accustomed to. The guitar work shifts between being lulling and jarring. The vocals, even when yelled, have a certain calming quality to them.

"Domestica" has a melancholy tone because of the story it tells. The album follows the relationship of a couple through fights and resolutions. The band's 2003 release "The Ugly Organ" is a concept album and it also tells a story.

Cursive's subject matter can hardly be taken lightly.



Cursive performs for an excited crowd (Photo from Myspace.com).

Its most recent album, ironically titled "Happy Halloween" (2006), deals deeply

with topics of politics and religion, through the inhabitants of a town named after the album.

Music department hosts faculty recital

by RACHAEL FINCH

The music department faculty recital, open to the public, will be held Friday at 8 p.m. in Swayne Auditorium.

This is an opportunity for faculty to share their art and demonstrate to students the skills that they have been teaching, said Professor Judy Marlett,

a member of the music faculty.

Marlett, Professor George Turner, Professor Walden Hughes and Professor Barry Swanson will all be performing standard classical pieces, said Marlett.

Performances will include a Chopin Etude, Four Spiritual Songs by Brahms, Biblical Songs by

A. Dvorak, two opera arias, and more.

The recital is open to everyone and is free of charge.

"It is important to see that we professors, in a different light, practice what we preach and perhaps most importantly for students to see us using the talents God has given us," said Marlett.

Creative Corner

I have decided to follow Jesus

Essay by RALPH SPEER

Here's everything you ever needed to know about a communion service.

At our church in Nampa, Idaho we serve communion at the close of every Sunday service. There are no restrictions on participation. Representative members of our diverse congregation are stationed at various places around the gymnasium where we meet to worship. Lines of participants come to receive communion.

Our service had been particularly memorable. We were all in a reflective mood as we gathered to observe the breaking of bread in fellowship. Our guest pastor had reminded us of the significance of remaining true to our vows in following Jesus Christ. Since our congregation spans generations,

he asked how many present remembered the hymn "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus." A surprising number knew the song.

Thus as the congregation stood in line to receive the elements, a member of the praise team sang the words: "I have decided to follow Jesus... no turning back, no turning back."

We are a wonderful mix of ages, interests and professions. Tattooed bikers stand beside college professors to receive the elements. Families with small children wait in line behind grandmas and grandpas. Lawyers, business executives and farmers are rubbing elbows with students, factory workers and waitresses.

My eyes were drawn to my friend Paul who held his blond four-year-old daughter, Sammy, as they stood in line to receive communion.

As they passed my chair I watched the worship on Sammy's face. She was intent on the words of the song, mouthing them carefully as she heard them. I wanted to be as intense and motivated as Sammy was.

After the service I happened to run into Paul and shared my story with him.

"Church is very important to Sammy," Paul said. "When I picked her up as we were in line for communion, she whispered in my ear."

"What did she say?" I asked.

"The Body of Christ, broken for you," he said.

Still think communion should be observed only once a quarter? Still think young children should be excluded from communion services? What has your four-year-old whispered to you lately?

CONCERT BOX

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Presidential Spotlight



Editor's Note: This is the last of a three-part series highlighting the presidential candidates.

Candidate: Bob Barr

Party: Libertarian

Former Political Position: Republican Georgia State Representative

Barr is currently on the November ballot in 48 states and is working on the last two. This candidate is considered "right wing" conservative.

-Pro-life: voted yes in banning partial-birth abortions

-Supports the restoration of habeas corpus

-Believes in eliminating billions in corporate welfare

-Supports aggression in securing borders

-Believes in lowering taxes by cutting back the size of government

-Supports restoring military to defense; commit to non-intervention

Candidate: Ralph Nader

Party: Independent



Former Political Position: 1996, 2000 and 2004 presidential nominee

Nader does not support the "corporate government" ideology. Nader is considered "left wing" or liberal.

-Pro-choice: supports Roe v Wade ruling

-Supports gay marriage

-Supports the break of dependence on fossil fuels

-Believes the United States should be the world's humanitarian superpower

-Supports single-payer health care system

-Sees current national defense as wasteful; supports repealing the Patriot Act

-Supports restoring military to defense; commit to non-intervention

-Supports quick withdrawal from Iraq

Information courtesy of www.ontheissues.org

Iranian official force a Hungarian plane to land in Tehran for questioning

by ASSOCIATED PRESS

Iran forced an aircraft carrying Hungarian military officials to land in a mix-up over whether it had permission to enter its airspace, Hungary's Defense Ministry said Tuesday. The plane was later allowed to continue to Afghanistan.

The ministry said the airplane, carrying a four-member Hungarian military delegation, had permission to fly over Iran, but that because of an "administrative error," characters in the craft's call signal were changed around and Iranian authorities did not recognize it.

It said the plane landed in Tehran. "After clearing up the problem, the airplane was able to continue its journey to Afghanistan," the ministry said in a statement released in Budapest. It said the incident took place on Sept. 30.



The Hungarian plane ended up in Tehran after being forced out of the air by Iranian officials (map from wikicommons).

The military personnel were part of a Hungarian team that took over direction of Kabul's international airport this month, it said. They were flying in a civilian Hawker 800 plane rented from the private Hungarian firm JAS Cargoways.

Iran's semiofficial Fars news agency had initially reported that the plane was American and was carrying

five military officials and three civilians from Turkey to Afghanistan when it accidentally strayed into Iranian airspace. Fars said the craft was forced by Iranian planes to land at an airport for questioning.

The report prompted a denial from the U.S. military's Central Command, which said in a statement from its headquarters in Doha, Qatar, that no American plane was involved.

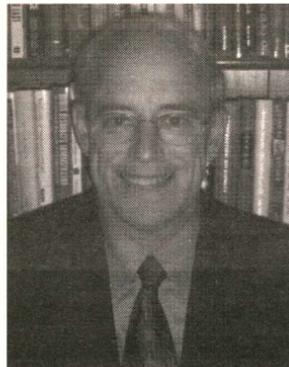
Later, Iran's official Arabic-language television station, Al-Alam, quoted an unidentified senior Iranian military official as saying the plane belonged either to a British or Hungarian relief agency.

Both Iranian news reports said Iranian officials questioned the passengers and that the plane was allowed to continue to Afghanistan the following day.

Continued from page 1: Peterson will replace Joel Pearsall

as an integral part of the Boeing team that planned and forecasted airplane construction with a multi-million dollar budget," said Alexander.

Peterson's job will be to help oversee financial systems, university budgets and campus technology. This means that his job will be to help determine how tuition money is best spent; not only in keeping this institution running, but to help students.



Dave Peterson comes to NNU after serving companies such as Boeing and Sears and Roebuck (photo from NNU).

As Alexander said, "Peterson is an alumnus of the university and has served for many years on our Board of Trustees; he comes to this position with a passion for the institution. Both his personal and professional experience provide us with a wonderful candidate to follow and build upon the financial systems and relations built by outgoing Vice President Joel Pearsall."

Anti-Obama author deported from Kenya

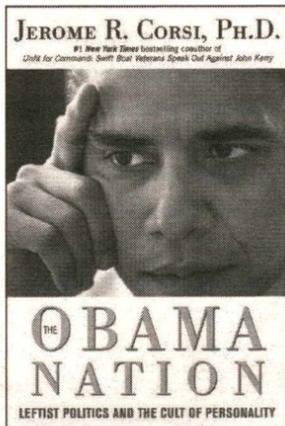
Jerome Corsi deported for invalid work permits

by ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Kenyan airport official says the American author of a book attacking Barack Obama is being deported.

Jerome Corsi, who wrote "The Obama Nation: Leftist Politics and the Cult of Personality," was picked up at his hotel in Nairobi on Tuesday morning.

Joseph Mumira, head of criminal investigations at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport, says Corsi was briefly detained before



The cover of Corsi's book (from wikicommons).

being taken to the airport for deportation.

Immigration officials

AP NEWS

Cold medicine

WASHINGTON

Don't give over-the-counter cough and cold remedies to kids under 4, drug companies say in a concession to pediatricians who doubt the drugs work in young children and worry about safety. The drug makers say their warning labels will tell parents not to give children antihistamines to make them sleepy.

Winter heating

WASHINGTON

Heating U.S. homes with oil this winter will cost a painful \$450 more than a year ago, another cold slap to families already reeling from utility shutoffs because of unpaid bills. Gas and electricity for home heating will go up as well, but not as much, the government says

Icelandic meltdown

REYKJAVIK, Iceland

This volcanic island near the Arctic Circle is on the brink of becoming the first "national bankruptcy" of the global financial meltdown. Home to only 320,000 people, Iceland has an outsized banking sector that set out with Viking confidence to conquer swaths of the British economy from fashion retailers to soccer teams. Icelanders are now watching their economy implode — their currency lost nearly half its value and banks are collapsing.

Bailout

WASHINGTON

The Wall Street meltdown can be blamed largely on complex financial contracts known as "credit default swaps." The market — valued at \$62 trillion — is largely unregulated. The contracts are a form of unregulated insurance that morphed into highly leveraged bets, bad ones it turns out.

New editions of the Bible

PORTLAND, Ore

Martin Luther King Jr. graces one page, Angelina Jolie the next. A photo of a man on fire opens the Book of Revelation. And laid across a two-page image of gasoline spilling from a pump is

the biblical quote that begins "The whole earth was amazed and followed the beast." It's not the good book some may remember. Publishers of the newest editions of the Bible are using unique formats to capture the attention of new readers.

Gay candidate

COLORADO

In his liberal Colorado district, Jared Polis' sexual orientation is no big deal. Yet his expected victory on Nov. 4 would be a milestone — he'd be the first openly gay man to win a seat in Congress as a non-incumbent.

Europe's big test

Wall Street's woes extend far beyond Main Street and all the way to Law Street — the headquarters of the European Union. But the 27-nation bloc hasn't taken concrete joint action to deal with the global financial meltdown, leaving member countries to go it alone. Frustrated investors want to know why, and some question whether the EU — at its core, an economic union — will survive.

Financial meltdown

WASHINGTON

Invoking Depression-era emergency powers, the Federal Reserve will begin lending money directly to companies to thaw the frozen-solid credit market and supply everyday cash for firms. Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke suggests interest rates may come down later this month

Political unrest in Thailand

BANGKOK, Thailand

Troops patrol the streets of Bangkok after Thailand's political crisis explodes into its worst violence yet, with at least two dead and 350 injured, as police battle crowds besieging Parliament to demand the government's ouster.

Vampires are in

Dead people, circa 2008, wear jeans, type obsessively on Blackberries and fret over relationship woes. Edward, the vampire in the best-selling novel and soon-to-be-released film "Twilight," even slogs through biology.

Please, to each their own Everyone's opinions matter

A few years ago "Er-agon" was released to critical acclaim. Assuming that the book must be a wonderful work of prose, I



GUEST OPINION
by
ALLISON HAWN

picked it up and read it. I was not impressed; I found that each and every time the author, Christopher Paolini, needed to transition in the book—he had

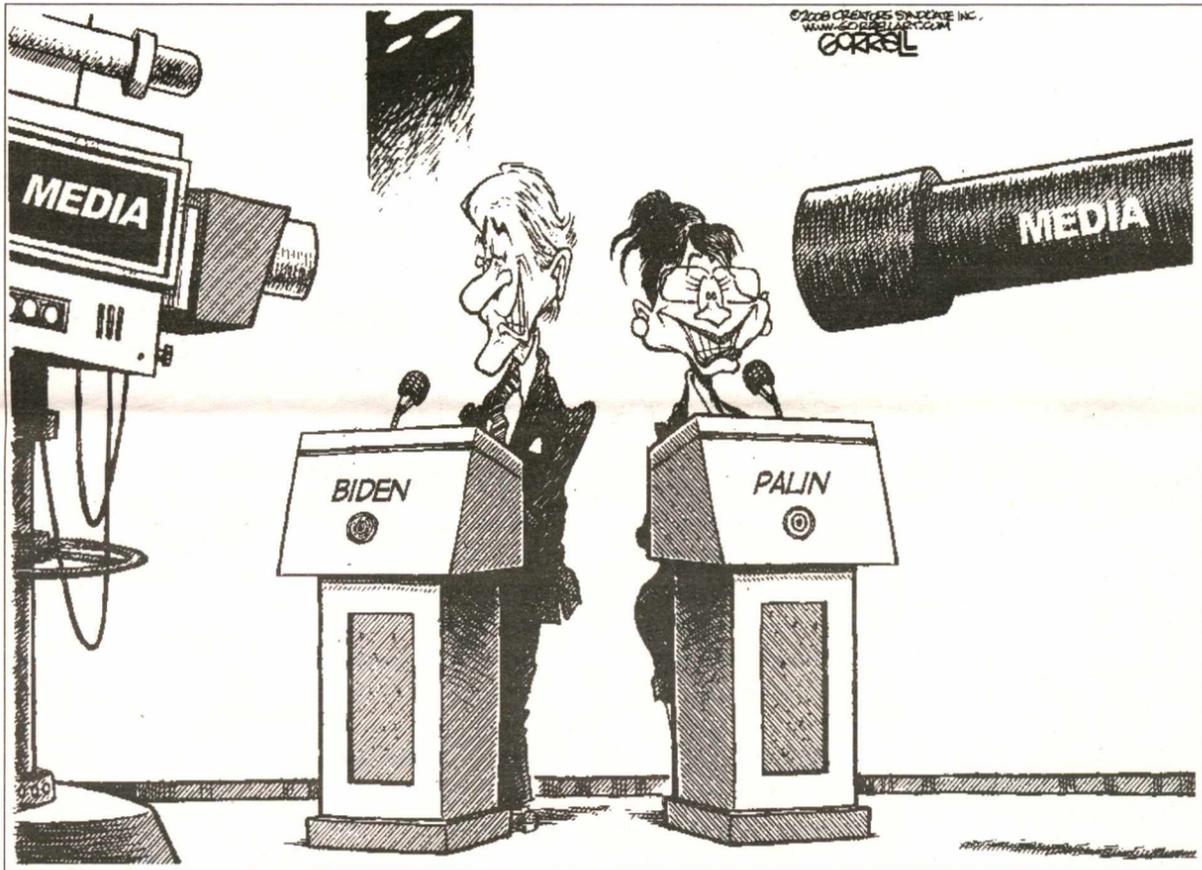
someone pass. It made all of his characters seem anemic. When I voiced this opinion, I was descended upon with all the fury and wrath of a herd of caffeine and steroid pumped squirrels. I'm surprised I escaped with all of my limbs and my head attached.

Since that day I have been very aware of the ways that people will defend to the death pieces of popular culture or personal opinions. If you have been on facebook you've seen a myriad of "Twilight" flairs and bumper stickers. I think it is great to be a fan

of, say, a well-written book, but when half of my notifications inform me that I have another forty-nine Edward Cullen flairs, I get mad.

We, as a community, need to respect each other's likes and dislikes. Just because I'm a fan of the Indiana Jones movies does not mean that everyone around me is. We need to be able to accept the fact that people around us have diverse and unique tastes and instead of taking someone's dislike of something as a personal offense, we should accept their point of view.

Please, if someone has a differing opinion, whether it be about movies, politics, books, television shows, sports teams or even religion, do not feel the need to defend your position to the end of the known universe. You can respectfully state why you do think the way you do, but don't insist on it being liked by everybody. Next time someone, like me, says, "I'm not a fan of Grey's Anatomy," take a deep breath and remember to each his or her own.



The presidential candidates are whiners

I learned something yesterday that astonished me. John McCain does not know the future. Shocking, I know.



EDITOR'S NOTE
by
AIMEE NILES

Tom Brokaw asked the candidates in last night's debate, what don't you know? An interesting question designed—I think—to expose the humility in the candidates. The best thing McCain could come up with is he doesn't know the future. Really?

Unfortunately, McCain's answer was far better than Barack Obama's. After saying it was a shame Michelle Obama wasn't there to answer the question, he completely ignored it.

This is a rueful example of a frustrating problem. In the debates, no candidate—Democrat or Republican—ever gives a straight answer.

Perhaps it's my naïveté that I actually think it is possible to get an honest answer from a politician. It probably is, but I still want it.

The candidates ignore the pertinent questions that voters are really curious about. They alienate the American voting population by dismissing our

questions, pointing fingers at each other, interrupting each other and trying to be the biggest and loudest.

Barack, I love you man, but seriously—stop whining. John McCain may go over time, but does that mean you have to act like a three-year-old? Take the high road, and just swallow your excuses.

And John, I respect your experience and your service, but stop living in the past. What are your plans for today? For the future you can't see? I have no clue what they are because the only thing you take pride in is what happened twenty years ago.

I don't want to see the candidates bicker; I know they disagree—why, waste

national airtime emphasizing that fact? It's childish and immature. Is that really the best way the future leader of the free world can deal with conflict?

I think I know who I want to vote for. But when I watch the debates my mind gets foggy again. I go out and research because the debates don't answer questions. What about people who don't have the time or the resources or even the motivation to research?

They rely on the debates to answer questions. The candidates have a responsibility to the American people, and right now they are failing miserably.

Don't get chapel fines

The 32 chapel requirement for students receives its fair share of moans and groans. These moans and groans can only go so far; but if one doesn't go to chapel, they don't get off the hook. At the beginning of the school year, having one down and 31 to go seems rather bleak, but in reality no student can have a good enough reason for not meeting the semester requirement.

Being Fall Spiritual Emphasis Week, students are given the opportunity to receive eight counts of chapel credit—that is 25 percent of the semester requirement in the matter of five days.

Chapel is only 40 minutes long in a relaxing atmosphere. We sit with our friends, some of whom we rarely see due to differing schedules, and just be. Students use the 40 minutes for study time, a nap or a chance to wear out the keypad on their cell phone. And, just maybe, students use the time to actually learn something that doesn't require a \$300 textbook. Chapel isn't a waste of time, as we would do these same things anywhere else at 10:20 a.m.

Not meeting the semester requirement isn't worth it. For every chapel one misses against the 32 minimum, the student is charged \$10. For complaints made toward tuition, why pay more money that can be completely avoided? Going to chapel is easy. We sit, we refrain from being a distraction, fill out a card and go on with our lives. How convenient that chapel is scheduled with no other classes.

We all knew what we were getting ourselves in to by attending this Christian university. The chapel requirement comes with the territory, and though some students aren't a fan of this policy, it's something we need to live with. If chapel is such an issue, we should reconsider the kind of school we want to get our degree from.

The Crusader is starting a new feature called "Ask Emerson."

If you have questions for any of our administrators, please forward them to crusader@nnu.edu.

Put "Ask Emerson" in the subject line

Each week, an administrator working in Emerson will answer the questions submitted by students.

So if you've ever wondered why school costs so much, or why we water the grass so often, send it in the The Crusader at crusader@nnu.edu

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Don't tune out: opinion articles have merit, too

Opinions are, and rightly so, seen as simple conjecture, "soft news" and thus second-class to the facts of "hard news." The intent of the argument here is not to change this definition, or to make-believe opinions can somehow convey truth.



Drew's Clues
by
ANDREW McCULLEY

The intent is to assert the importance of opinion, for without it the facts of "hard news" are meaningless.

When one reads, one does not use newspapers and general news just to know things for the sake of

knowing, to become a well of facts and spout off trivia to some game show host. One gains information with which to form opinions, to gain something with which to conjecture.

Hence, opinions, and specifically opinion articles, are an insight into the minds of other individuals; those that are, if not more intelligent, of a differing tradition and experience to your own. Reading the opinions of others is an opportunity to strengthen your own interpretations and beliefs, whether or not those opinions are right or wrong (and perhaps most especially when the opinions are wrong).

There are right and wrong, good and bad opinions. Opinions, interpretations and beliefs, are not formed on whims; rather they are the logical responses of

individuals to their surroundings and upbringings. Logic may be flawed; it is a tool in human hands, not some unimpeachable deity. If the logic used to build an opinion is flawed, so too is the opinion itself.

If there is danger when it comes to reading opinion, it lies in reading opinion only, and in doing so, ignoring the hard news altogether. When one excludes that element, there is no reference to see through bias. Also if individuals only read opinion that aligns with their beliefs already, they are never challenged to grow and learn accordingly.

Hopefully this writing reads more like a concerned argument and less like job preservation. But regardless of its form, please continue to read everything, soapboxes and meaningless news alike.

Letter to the Editor

Homeschool response

Having been homeschooled most of my life and also having been involved with our current public school system and the kids it produces, I don't think the author was at all right in what she said.

I believe the government should not take over raising the nation's children more than they have.

The author said more guidelines for homeschoolers are not a matter of privacy or freedom; I believe it is. It is the parent's responsibility to raise their children, and teach them in the way they think is best. I consider myself far more privileged than my public schooled friends because my parents made the decision to teach me themselves instead of handing me over to some stranger.

I had the opportunity to pursue many activities

and interests I otherwise wouldn't have had time for, had I been in public school. And if I was interested in something more, I educated myself.

Kids aren't completely helpless. If we really care, we create our own opportunities.

Mercy C. M.
Staff

Homeschool response

Most people that homeschool their kids are parents that do not agree with the public school system.

Most kids that graduate from homeschools have just as good of an education as public school graduates.

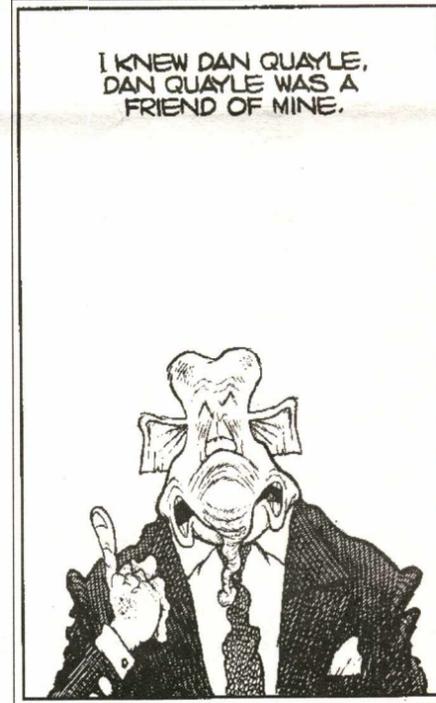
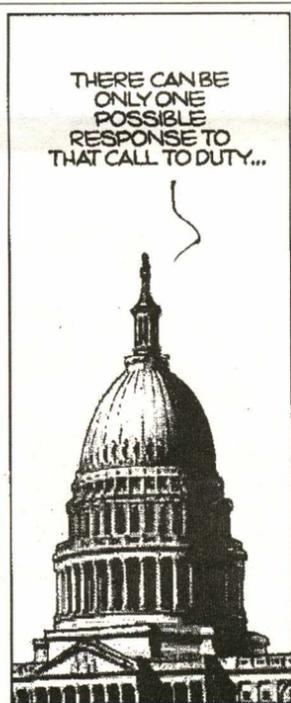
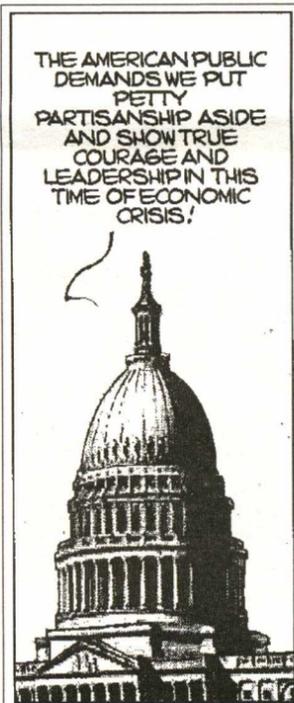
When my family moved, we could not afford to go to private school. The only other option besides public school was to be homeschooled. We had books that were way higher in

levels compared to public schools.

Requiring all teachers to have a degree would make it almost impossible for most families to homeschool their kids.

A lot of older homeschoolers do their work straight out of the books and do not need anyone to teach them. Also if homeschoolers were not getting as good of an education as public school kids how would they make it into college? There are a lot of kids even on our campus that have come from homeschooled families and have done just fine, probably even better than most public school kids.

Rita Fields



Government controls are the cause, laissez-faire is the solution

One fact is clear: the blame for the financial panic is misdirected..



GUEST OPINION
by
JOSHUA DOLLINS

We are told the ruthless self-interest of Wall Street—rather than the "compassionate" gift-giving of the Congress—is the cause of the economic crisis. Unfortunately, the truth is more complex.

The truth needs to be examined before a trillion dollars is added to the public debt and more power given to those who brought disaster.

Our government has a policy of promoting borrowing over saving. We permit our government to fully tax one's savings while allowing others to deduct the interest costs of their home mortgage against their taxes. Given this financial incentive to borrow, it seems more intelligent to borrow for a house rather than save. This is why many people take on debt to buy

their homes.

In a free market, there might be panic, but it would soon stop. Those who made poor choices with their money and assets would lose them. Those who were rational and protected themselves from calamity would not.

However, we don't live in a free market. Most Americans seem to like to be controlled by those who claim to act out of the public interest. If you need to borrow money for a home and you can't afford to pay back your loan, the government will see to it that you get

your money. If you make poor financial decisions that improperly account for economic risk and that cause your bank to go bankrupt, the government will pay to bail you out.

Our system today favors the unwarranted risk-taker. It favors those who press for political favors. The most corrupt (and now bankrupt) home lenders were giving sweetheart home loans to key members of Congress (Chris Dodd)—and it wasn't to restore the free market in housing. It was to keep the incentives that Congress created to steer money into

housing flowing.

The current crisis is not a battle between Wall Street and Main Street. The problem rests in every street. It rests in our nation's unchallenged enshrinement of need as virtue. Instead of leaving people free to work toward improving their lives through their own efforts, we have created a system of perverse incentives.

So what then is the answer to this panic? We simply ought to let the businesses that failed fail, expedite the liquidation of their assets at their current market value under streamlined

bankruptcy laws and remove our government from the business of creating perverse economic incentives.

However, that plan is not being considered. Instead it is said we need more banking regulations, "Financial Stability Oversight Boards," smaller CEO salaries, stricter business accounting rules, massive taxpayer-funded bailouts of banking and subsidies to borrowers.

So for the market to be restored our nation needs to learn a new mantra: Give us liberty, and death to government controls.

Special Olympics World Winter Games go green

by LAURIE BURGEMEISTER

Northwest Nazarene University is going green for this year's 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games.

Ree Armstrong, senior accounting and finance major, is in charge of a project that is bringing eco-friendly concepts to the Special Olympics World Games.

The Special Olympics World Games are being held from Feb. 7 through the 12 in Boise, McCall and Sun Valley, Idaho.

There are seven events including snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, floor hockey, snowboarding, speed skating, figure skating and Alpine skiing.

The events will bring over 3,000 athletes and their families, along with 800 coaches and 600 officials to Idaho.

"There are over 100 countries represented at the Games. This is such a great opportunity to educate over 3,000 people about the environment and have them return to their countries and continue the education," said Armstrong.

Armstrong is partnering with the business club Students in Free Enterprise to elicit support from the community.

They are hoping to establish connections with local business that will help raise environmental awareness and promote the games.



"These 'Green Partners,' will be rated on how eco-friendly their businesses are and will be distributing stickers for the games," said Armstrong.

One goal Armstrong has is to create a hands-on interactive booth for

children of all ages to learn about environmental issues such as deforestation and clean water.

Armstrong also has plans to make "eco bags" for the athletes.

The bags will contain items that will persuade

"green" behavior at the games.

One such item would be a hard plastic water bottle encouraging athletes to re-fill rather than use new disposable water bottles.

"We'd really like to get volunteers from every area of our campus community," said Armstrong, "Graphic design, social work, biology, education, theology; everyone can help."

Armstrong really wants to elicit help from the NNU students and faculty and hopes that professors will incorporate some of the preparation as part of classes.

Ultimately, Armstrong wants the NNU community to learn from these ideas

as well and implement the eco-friendly concepts into life here on campus and improve practices here.

SIFE and Armstrong are just starting the preliminary work and will be meeting with various clubs on campus to discuss how each one can help in this endeavor.

Armstrong greatly encourages volunteering at the games.

"This is a huge event! People always want to have an impact and this is an opportunity to affect the world. They are right on our doorstep and we can influence change."

Ethics panel includes leaders from throughout the Treasure Valley

by ANDREW MCCULLEY

Tomorrow, Northwest Nazarene University's Students in Free Enterprise club is teaming up with the Boise Chamber of Commerce to host "Integrity in Tough Times: Doing the Right Thing all the Time—a discussion with business leaders."

The ethics panel will start at 1:30 and last until 3:00 in the URS Auditorium at 720 Park Boulevard in Boise.

There is no cost to attend, and SIFE is providing free transportation to the event.

Those wishing to take advantage of the free transportation should meet in the Student Center at 12:45. The transportation will be returning to the same location at approximately 3:30.

The intent of this ethics panel, said SIFE president Ashley Mormon, is to stimulate awareness of ethical dilemmas, and to equip individuals with the tools to handle ethical dilemmas when they arise.

"The timing of the panel is perfect in light of the economic crisis," said Mormon, "people will be tempted to cut corners as people

begin to feel the financial crunch."

This event is open to the community and will showcase many leaders of the academic and business world.

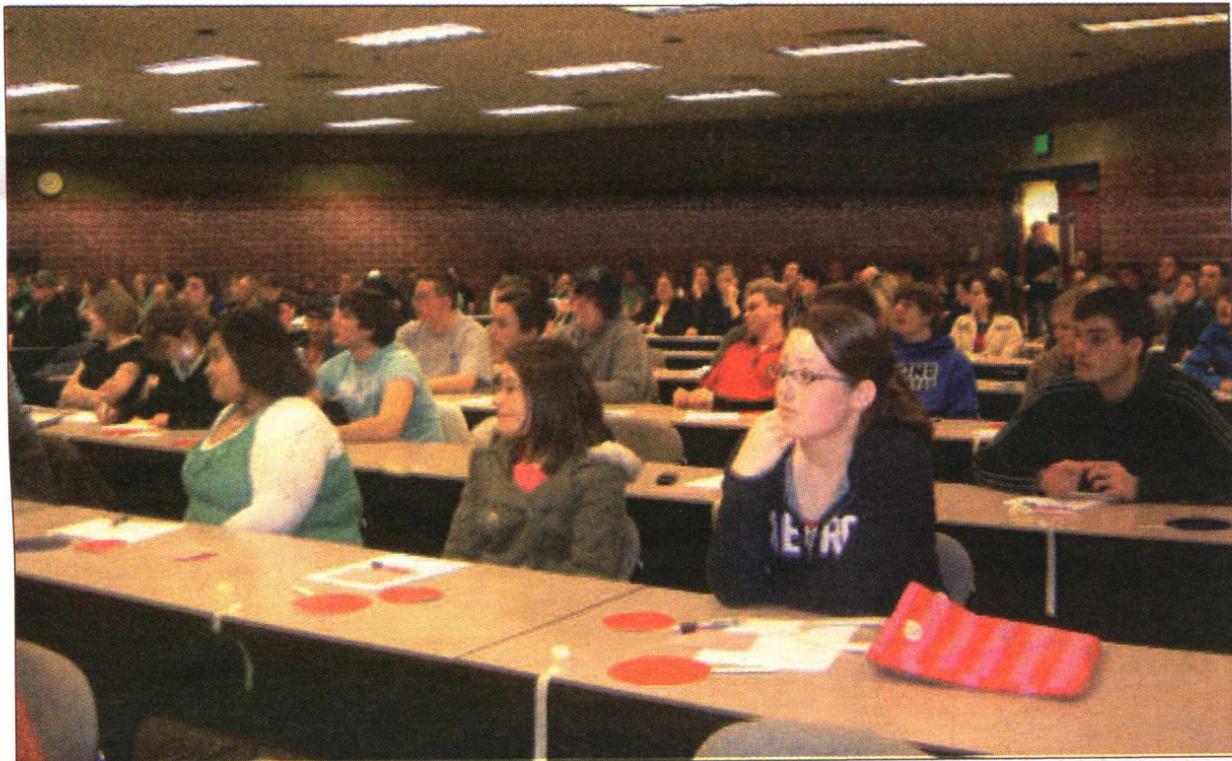
The event includes Gene Bleymaier, athletic director at Boise State University; Nora Carpenter, Council of Better Business Bureau; Steve Hanks, former CEO Washington Group; George Harad, former CEO Boise Cascade.

Moderating the event will be Professor Bill Russell of the NNU School of Business, along with Dale Dixon of BBB.

"Interacting with these community professionals," said Mormon, "as they share their experiences and opinions lively and thought-provoking through discussion on tough ethical scenarios will prove to be enlightening."

If you plan to attend the free ethics panel, please register by emailing swarner@boise.bbb.org or Mormon at ajmorman@nnu.edu.

If you plan to take advantage of the free transportation SIFE is providing, contact Mormon as well.



Top: Students listen in on last year's ethics panel. Bottom: Ethics panel participants await the next scenario (Photos courtesy of Ashley Mormon).

Forensics makes strong showing at CSI

by ANDREA SCHILLING

The NNU Forensics team was able to come home with many awards the weekend of Sept. 26 through their efforts in the tournament at College of Southern Idaho.

The team placed first and second in After Dinner Speaking. In Programmed Oral Interpretation, the team placed first, second and third. NNU also placed third in Dramatic Interpretation.

Forensics was one point from taking third place overall; which was a great achievement, said sophomore Rachel Allen, who serves as the secretary,

treasurer and historian for the team.

This year the team has 12 members. President, senior Julia Fitch, leads the team. Junior Jason Montgomery is vice president.

Other members include Rachel Lund, Allison Hawn, Blair Evans, Amanda Gammitt, Heather Pruet, Heather White, Kiersten Black, John Crabill and Savannah Johnson. Professors Brooke Adamson and Letha Quinn are coaches for the team.

Forensics heads to their next tournament this weekend when they visit Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Ore.



Forensics team poses for a picture at the CSI tournament (Photos courtesy of Rachel Allen).

Summer internship exceeds Waltemyer's expectations

by HANNAH BEERS

At the beginning of the summer, senior philosophy/religion major, Seth Waltemyer, had certain expectations about his internship with up-and-coming Seattle church, Church of the Undignified.

Church of the Undignified is a church started in Seattle by a group of Capitol

Hill residents to accommodate the vast demographics of the downtown Seattle area. It all started with the idea of allowing different artists to come in to host "their own art shows, music events, open mics, film screenings and general fellowship over a hot or cold drink." According to their website, "The name 'On the House' was given to

represent the nature of the venue and show the intention of the countercultural action of grace as modeled by Jesus Christ." Matthew 20:28 is the verse Church of the Undignified tries to exemplify on a daily basis.

Knowing all of this, nothing would have prepared Waltemyer for the experience of a lifetime. He went in with certain expectations,

which God turned upside down. Waltemyer worked under the direction and leadership of Reverend Benji Rodes alongside his wife Abbi Rodes. Both Benji and Abbi, NNU alumni, felt called to service in the inner city of Seattle. "The people are the stories," says Benji, "They have been changed. We all have. And it's just so awesome to see God at

work."

Waltemyer had a roller-coaster summer and came away a changed man. "My summer began with me sitting down, determined to let the Lord make a mess out of it," says Waltemyer, "And then my summer ended, having experienced a deeper sense of His faithfulness and goodness. And all the time in between was spent looking for Christ in the least of these, including myself."

Seth had the unique opportunity of staying in the Community Housing (also known as the Healing House), with Benji and Abbi, along with their son Sam. Living with the people and experiencing what they go through on a daily basis, allowed me to learn exponentially more than I could

ever learn from a text book, said Waltemyer. Abbi and Benji were living examples of Jesus' love in daily living.

Interacting with members of the church on a relationship basis allowed Waltemyer to become a member of the family. It created an environment which allowed us to worship and praise God in such a real way, said Waltemyer.

Walking away from the summer has left Waltemyer with a renewed sense of passion and hope for the role of Christ in everyone's life. Waltemyer said, "I know very few specifics. What I do know (in part), and what I hope all this world will come to learn, is that God is establishing His Kingdom in ways which may prove to catch us all off guard."



Church of the undignified (Photos courtesy of Seth Waltemyer).

Student Life Events

Wednesday, October 8
 5:30-7:30 p.m.: Sex Talk (Harter 122)
 8:00 p.m.: Senate (Wordsworth)
 9:00 p.m.: Timeout (Brandt Center)

Thursday, October 9
 11 a.m.: Chapel-Fall Spiritual Emphasis
 9:00 p.m.: Brickhouse
 Admissions: Explore NNU (though Friday)

Friday, October 10
 10:20 a.m.: Chapel-Fall Spiritual Emphasis

Saturday, October 11
 12:00 p.m.: Women's soccer vs. Western Washington
 3:00 p.m.: Men's soccer vs. Western Washington
 7:00 p.m.: Volleyball vs. St. Martin's

Monday, October 13
 Columbus Day (Student Holiday)

Tuesday, October 14
 9:00 p.m.: TWIRP tickets go on sale (Student Center)

Men's soccer comes close to victory against the Saints

by Jael Henthorn

NNU hosted St. Martin's University on Saturday. It was their first game on the new field.

The Saints scored early in the game leaving the Crusaders to battle back from a 1-0 deficit.

It wasn't until after a thirty minute rain delay that the Crusaders started battling hard.

It wasn't until the second half that Brock Ogami sent the ball into the back of the net. He had followed an attempt by Nate Hamm to head the ball into the goal. His attempt was deflected by the Saints' goalkeeper, giving Brock the opportunity

to tie the game.

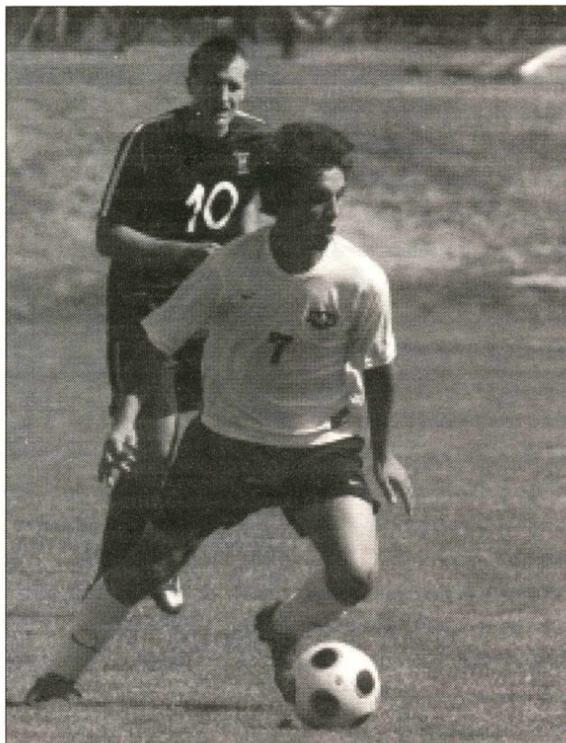
Soon after Ogami scored, Ben Mangeac followed. He capitalized on a mistake by the SMU defense, netting the ball for the lead.

With less than ten minutes left in the game, SMU forward Xan Nixon beat NNU's defense giving him a one-on-one opportunity against goalie Zander Engemann.

Engemann could not add another save to the five he had already tallied. The game was tied at 2-2.

The clock ran out before the Crusaders could regain the lead.

They fought through two ten minute overtimes. Neither team was able to score. They were left with a tied score at the end of the game.



Left: Alonso Avila keeps the ball in possession. Right: Alex Mangeac carries the ball down the field (Photos by Jennifer Hush).

Cross Country looks to final race in La Grande

by Jael Henthorn

Men and Women's Cross Country ran in the Charles Bowles Invitational this past Saturday. The 'Sad-ers had very strong team finishes.

The women's team finished 10th out of the 28 teams represented.

The team was lead by

the Puga sisters. Senior all-American Ashley Puga finished in 12th place with a time of 18:17.90.

Sophomore Jackie Puga finished 22nd with a time of 18:40.90. They ran against 288 other athletes.

Men's Cross Country finished 19th out of 30 teams. Senior Josh Wageman lead the team finishing 69th

with a time of 26:27:09. There were 301 runners in the race.

Freshmen Neil Easter and Jason Towery finished behind Wageman placing 123rd and 140th.

Josh Wageman seemed impressed with his team (men and women alike). The team has been working hard all season to put up

good times.

"The only time other teams get a taste of what we do every day is when they've done something really bad, possibly even illegal," said Wageman about the team's work ethic. The team runs between 65 and 70 miles per week.

The Crusaders will next compete in the Eastern

Oregon invitational in La Grande. It will be the last race before the GNAC Championships, Regionals and Nationals. The team shows potential to be well represented there, as Ashley Puga placed 19th at the National meet earning her All-American Status.

Women's soccer goes without a win on the new field

by Jael Henthorn

The Crusaders played their inaugural game on the new Northwest Nazarene University soccer field on Oct. 7. The new field is behind the softball field and next to the track.

The Crusaders lost the game 4-1 against the Western Oregon Wolves. Sophomore Stacey Beckman scored the lone goal on a successful cross by senior

Jenna Johnson.

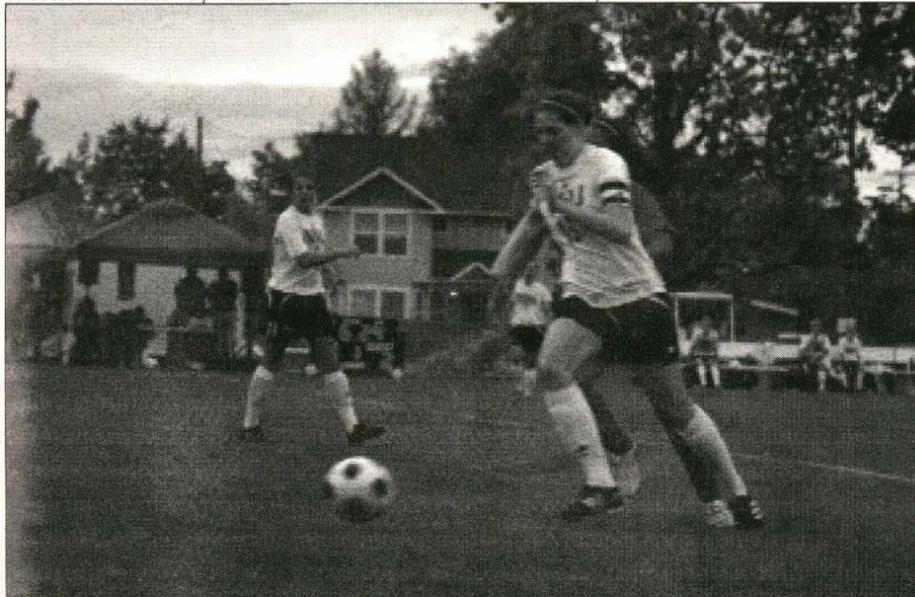
Crusaders almost netted a ball in the first half on a corner-kick that lingered in front of the goal. Johnson sent in the corner which was headed out by Westerns defense. It was headed back into play by sophomore Marie Smith. The ball ping-ponged between offensive players and defensive players until sophomore Kim Bowen bicycled the ball just over the cross-bar narrowly

missing the shot.

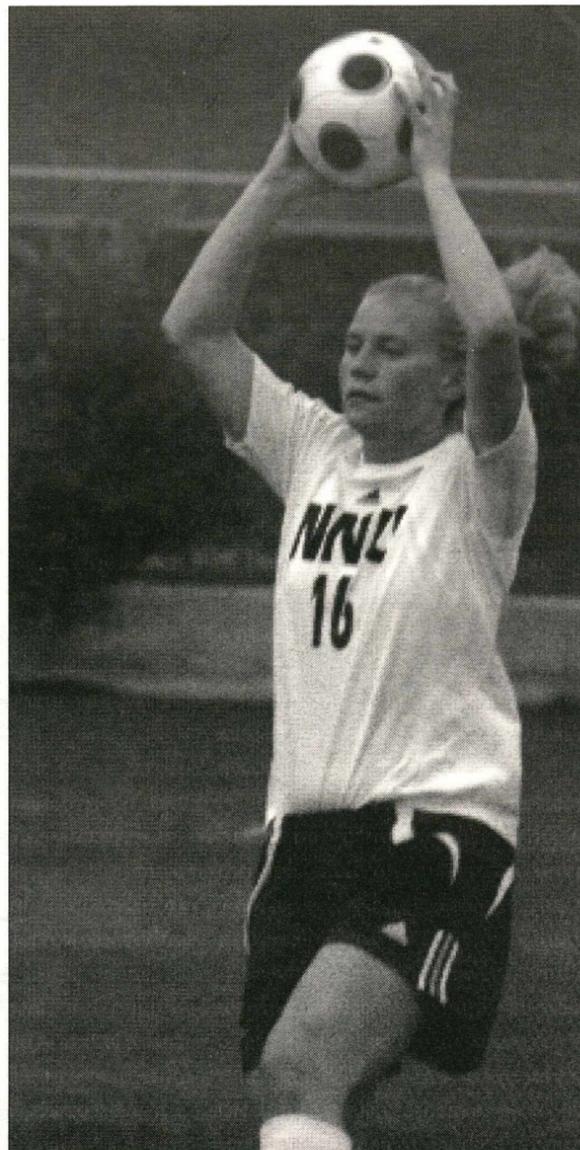
Western Oregon allowed NNU to have 10 corner kicks in the game. The Crusader defense only gave up one.

Saturday's match-up ended in a 5-0 loss against St. Martin's University.

The Crusaders host Western Washington University on Oct. 18 at noon. Support the Lady Crusaders as they fight for their first win on the new field.



Left: Sophomore defender Liz Gross beats a WOU midfielder to the ball, Right: Sophomore defender Marie Smith puts the ball back in play (Photos by Andrea Schilling).



NNU OVERALL STANDINGS

Women's Soccer
1-10-1

Men's Soccer
8-2-2

Volleyball
8-6

Cross Country
Roger Curran Invite
Women-3rd
Men-4th

GNAC Preview Meet
Women-2nd
Men-3rd

Willamette Invitational
Women-10th
Men-19th

GNAC CURRENT STANDINGS

Women's Soccer
Western Wash. 4-0-0
Seattle Pacific 3-1-0
MSU Billings 2-2-0
Central Wash. 2-3-0
Western Ore. 1-2-1
NNU 0-4-0

Men's Soccer
MSU Billings 2-1-0
Seattle Pacific 2-1-0
NNU 1-2-1
Western Wash. 1-0-0
St. Martin's 0-2-1

Volleyball
Western Ore. 5-0
Western Wash. 4-0
Central Wash. 4-1
UA Fairbanks 4-2
UA Anchorage 3-3
NNU 2-4
MSU Billings 2-5
Seattle Pacific 1-5
St. Martin's 0-5

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Seattle looks to be out of luck

by DEREK DEROOY

For two weeks, I waited in anticipation of a close game. Not a win, necessarily, but a sign that we could indeed hang with the NFC's best teams.

The return of wide receivers Deion Branch and Bobby Engram will give us more offensive options, I thought. The Giants will be missing star receiver Plaxico Burress, I thought.

After our crushing 44-6 defeat, however, I'm prepared to contradict myself completely.

The Seahawks stink. They have nothing left. There's no

way they can take the NFC West. And even if they win this weekend, I'll keep on saying it.

As it turned out, Branch and Engram weren't great in their return. That's no surprise; Branch hadn't suited up since having surgery in February, and Engram hadn't practiced with the team since breaking his shoulder in early August.

What was surprising was how out of sync the offense was. It seemed that in every play (even plays that didn't focus on the receivers), blockers were missing assignments or running terrible routes—see WR Billy

McMullen for lessons on that. And despite a combined 11 receptions for Branch and Engram, they only totaled to 92 yards; other Seattle receivers accounted for 3 catches and 31 yards.

And it's not like the Seahawks didn't have time to figure this stuff out. After a whole week off, Seattle's poor execution resulted in only 23 minutes of possession, well below average.

In other words, they had another 36 minutes during the game to try and react.

What it amounted to was that the Seahawks aren't clicking on offense or

defense. Since Holmgren gave up his second job as General Manager in 2002, replacement Tim Ruskell has been largely credited with improving Seattle's defense through the NFL.

As recently as last month, Seattle reporters were referring to this year's Seahawks as the "D-Hawks." Suffice it to say, the Seahawks haven't lived up to expectations.

The team's biggest weakness was revealed this weekend, and it took the NFL's biggest running back to expose it: they're small.

For all Ruskell's work as GM, drafting quality defensive players over multiple

seasons, the Seahawks can't close holes and stuff the run. Watching the game on Sunday, it was shocking to see how much taller 6'4", 264 lb. running back Brandon Jacobs was than our defense.

As Jacobs barreled over the Seahawks for 9 yards/carry and two touchdowns, I noticed how impossible it was for Seahawks to even get in front of him.

To be fair, Jacobs is the perfect kryptonite to Seattle's defense. But if we don't see other teams using larger, bigger, stronger running backs against us, I'll be shocked.

AP Sports Birds

LONDON — The future of men's road cycling in the Olympics could be threatened unless the sport cleans up its doping record. A top IOC executive says the latest doping revelations from the Tour de France have further damaged the sport's credibility and called its Olympic status into question.

BOSTON — The familiar postseason stars are gone. A new breed keeps the Red Sox winning. Curt Schilling, Manny Ramirez, even Mike Lowell — all World Series MVPs — are missing from the group of players Boston will take into the AL championship series. Jon Lester, Jason Bay and Jed Lowrie — all keys to the victory that sent the Red Sox there

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The city's three football teams are a combined 15-1 and having their best seasons in years. The Tennessee Titans are one of only two unbeaten NFL teams and Vanderbilt sits atop the SEC's East Division. And even Tennessee State of the Football Championship Series is off to a 5-1 start and is in first place in the Ohio Valley Conference.

NEW ORLEANS — Reggie Bush is making a habit of long, spectacular touchdowns. The New Orleans Saints opponents are making a habit of overcoming them. The Minnesota Vikings were the latest to do so while coming back for a thrilling 30-27 victory Monday night that was decided with 13 seconds to go.

DUBAI--Phil Mickelson is among those who might take up membership on the European tour, which this week announced a schedule that touches two dozen countries on five continents until it reaches a \$20 million destination in Dubai.

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Tony Stewart lost races this year with last-lap passes, late blown tires and mechanical failures. Stuck in a 43-race winless streak, he was not going to be denied by a rookie driver unaccustomed to Talladega Superspeedway.

Crusader Volleyball goes 1-1 on the road

by LAURIE BURGEMEISTER

The Lady Crusaders volleyball team won against Montana State Billings, but couldn't quite pull off a win against Central Washington University.

In Billings last Thursday the Crusaders won 25-14, 25-23, 25-19 in the Great

Northwest Athletic Conference match; a clean 3-0 victory.

Junior Lindsay Forseth led the Crusaders to a win with 16 kills and junior Cammy Draginis finished the Billings game with 13 kills.

"Both Lindsay and Kailey were great and it was nice to

bounce back confidently after two hard-fought matches last week," said coach Jared Slinger of the ladies' performance in Montana.

Last Saturday however, the Crusaders lost to Central Washington University after holding a 2-1 lead to the Wildcats.

A service error and a

hitting error in the fourth set gave the Wildcats the opportunity to come back and take the win, 3-2.

Forseth had 21 kills, Draginis had 10 kills and Amanda Boschma also had 10 kills.

After these games, the Lady Crusaders are 8-6 overall and 2-4 in their

conference.

The Crusaders are back in town this weekend as they host St. Martin's University this Saturday night at 7 p.m.

Red Sox and Rays butt heads on and off the diamond

by ASSOCIATED PRESS

Exactly why the Boston Red Sox and Tampa Bay Rays tangle so much is hard to tell. Blame it on a high-and-tight pitch here, a hard slide there.

Whatever, this much is true: The teams playing in the AL championship series sure get into a lot of scraps.

"There's no hatred," injured Red Sox pitcher Curt Schilling insisted Tuesday in an e-mail to The Associated Press.

"It's more a combination of talent/personalities and place than anything, I think. For years Tampa Bay was looked down on and the Sox were one of the powerhouse teams.

The start to respectability is as much an attitude as it is talent and a few years ago the Rays, I think, got tired of being pushed around," he wrote. That's kind of how Sarah Palin sees it, too.

"I know that earlier some of the experts this year were kind of tough on the Rays. I've been there," the Republican vice presidential candidate said Monday during a speech in Clearwater, Fla. "But what a difference a season can make, and now

the Rays, in the playoffs for the first time ever."

Even before their rise to prominence, the Rays were plenty feisty. They've scuffled with the Red Sox at least a half-dozen times this decade, punctuated by a wild brawl at Fenway Park in June that resulted in eight players getting suspended.

"You know, we've had some good battles with them all year," Boston pitcher Jon Lester said.

Other matchups in the majors get more attention, be it Yankees-Red Sox or Cubs-Cardinals or Dodgers-Giants. But there is no baseball rivalry that's more spirited than Tampa Bay-Boston.

Funny, know who was often in the middle — somehow — of those slugfests?

Manny Ramirez.

Yep, the same slugger who's now the main man in the NL championship series between the Los Angeles Dodgers and Philadelphia Phillies.

Ramirez, manager Joe Torre and the Dodgers open the best-of-seven set Thursday night at Citizens Bank Park.

Traded from Boston to Los Angeles on July 31,

Ramirez reprised his role as a one-man October wrecking crew in the first-round sweep of the Chicago Cubs. The 2004 World Series MVP went 5-for-10 with two home runs and four walks.

"He could fight a bear with a stick and win," praised Phillies broadcaster Gary Matthews, MVP of the 1983 NLCS when Philadelphia beat the Dodgers.

Coming off their victory over wild-card Milwaukee in the opening round, the Phillies are aiming for their first championship since 1980. Torre, no stranger to the postseason, is hoping to lead Los Angeles to its first title since 1988.

The defending champion Red Sox and the Rays begin Friday night at Tropicana Field. James Shields is likely to start Game 1 for Tampa Bay — he hit Coco Crisp with a pitch on June 5, triggering the bench-clearing fracas in Boston.

Shields and four other Rays were suspended, while Lester and two other Red Sox players were penalized. A day after the fight, Tampa Bay manager Joe Maddon hardly backed down.

"I want to be very clear: I

defend everything our guys did," he said then. "I feel actually proud of the way we handled the situation that was presented."

Before the season began, Maddon's team showed it would not be intimidated. Twice it got into scrapes with the Yankees in spring training — back when they were 200-1 underdogs to win the World Series.

The trouble between Tampa Bay and Boston dates to 2000, when Pedro Martinez hit Gerald Williams with his first pitch of the game.

Williams rushed the mound, a brouhaha ensued and a slew of players were suspended.

In 2002, 2004 and 2005, Tampa Bay and the Red Sox tangled after pitches either hit or were thrown near Ramirez.

After the last of those three scrapes, Schilling said then-Devil Rays manager Lou Piniella was trying to turn his team into "a bunch of tough guys."

These days, Schilling said, the clubs are not bitter enemies.

"There are very few players left from the earlier times. The dustups we've

On the Last Day and Upon Beauty Rests entertain and dazzle the NNU crowd

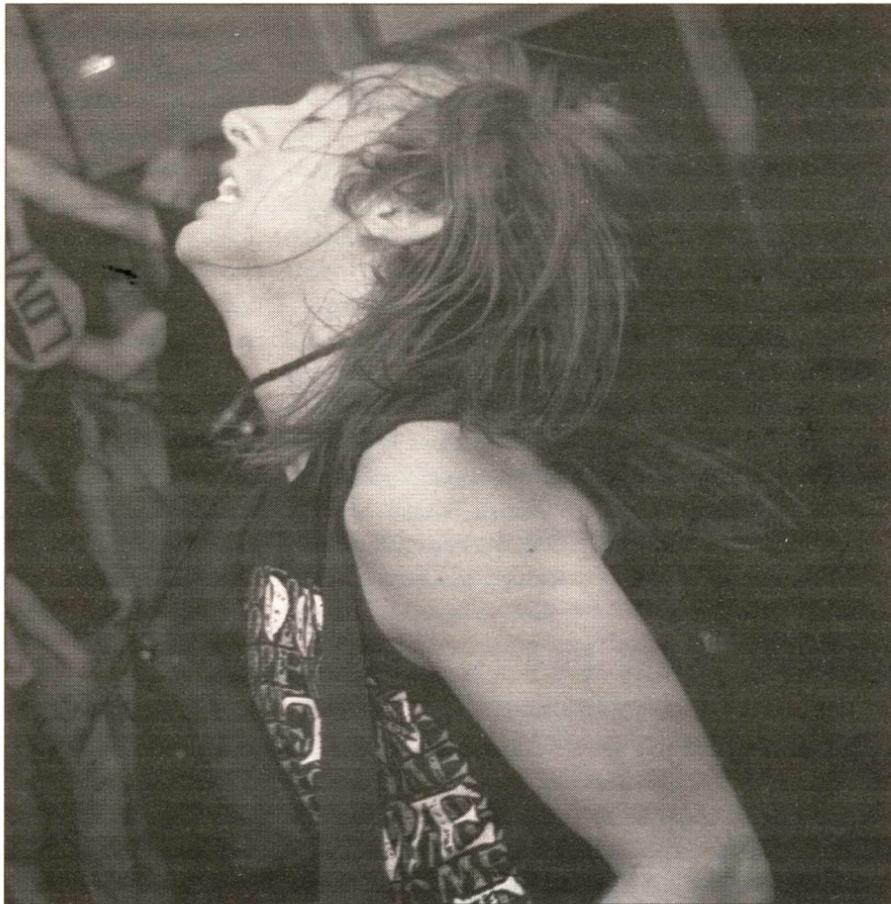
by HANNAH BEERS

Returning to NNU was On the Last Day and Upon Beauty Rests with a spectacular concert in the Perk on Wednesday, Oct. 1. Many students showed up to welcome a returning favorite to the Perk. About 100 people showed up and the crowd was definitely supplying a lot of noise for the bands.

On the Last Day opened for Upon Beauty Rests with a set of four songs, which are on the band's newest album intended to hit stores everywhere on Oct. 20. The album is titled "Make It Mean Something," which can be pre-ordered on Smartpunk.com on CD or 12" white Vinyl.

The band was definitely a kicker for the audience. Most of the music was extremely loud and vibrated throughout the entire Student Center. Most of the students seemed reserved at first by the intense atmosphere, but as the band warmed up, the audience felt the enthusiasm.

While lights were flashing and noise blaring, students found themselves in a need for motion. So



Guitarist Richie Bradshaw rocks out during the Upon Beauty Rests concert last week (Photos by Chris Vanderschaaf).

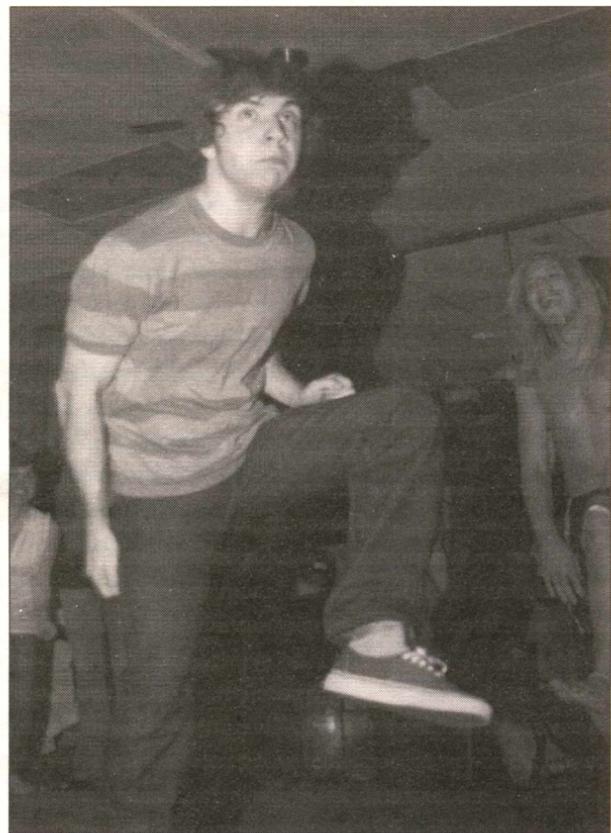
Freshman Josh "Ponch" Ponczoch along with fellow students began a "mosh pit" in the middle of the Perk. Students seemed to really feel the mood and began jumping around and leaving their hesitation behind to fully get into the music.

Personally I do not find

this style of music appealing but I continued to be impressed by the performance style of the band. My favorite song was "We've Lost Another One," due to the passion and emotion expressed through the band.

Upon Beauty Rests was next to take the stage after

a very anticipated arrival from the student body. The band has performed at NNU before. The cadence of music was very different from On the Last Day. The opening song had meaning and depth with a strong push on the emotions. The band was able to connect



Junior Nate Berrian throws down some moves at the concert last week (Photo by Chris Vanderschaaf).

with the audience right off the bat.

On the Last Day set the stage perfectly to get the audience's energy levels up and ready for Upon Beauty Rests. The style of music was clean and precise to hit the audience. My personal favorite was "Lord, Bless Our Imperfections for they are all we have left."

The overall concert was stimulating and left me feeling dazed by the enormity of musical variety. Both bands were able to broaden my interests in musical choices.

'How to Lose Friends and Alienate People' keeps the laughter going



by LAURIE BURGEMEISTER

Rating: R for language, some graphic nudity, ad brief drug material

Length: 1 hour 50 Minutes

Actors: Simon Pegg, Kirsten Dunst, Jeff Bridge, Megan Fox

In "How to Lose Friends and Alienate People," Sidney Young played by Simon Pegg is a journalist running a struggling satiric magazine in England. He is asked to go to New York and work for one of the top magazines in the world, Sharp's Magazine—a magazine that he frequently mocks. He accepts this offer and

is thrown into the world of fashion and celebrity society, but he can't seem to make it without changing his own values and ways of writing. He makes mistake after mistake, including murdering a rising actress' dog, hitting on every woman he sees, and repeatedly embarrassing his company at social events.

But Sidney wants to

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succeed and eventually, after compromising all he stood for in the beginning, he writes fluff stories and schmoozes the stars while climbing his way to the top. Yet like most "rise to fame" stories, it's not everything

that he wanted and he's still unhappy. He sees how he cut off his only friend, played by Kirsten Dunst, from his life simply so that he can become one of the "it" people in New York. So Young has to make a choice—which results in him wrestling with the best actress nominee on national television.

When first meeting Sidney, one might think he is a creepy, sarcastic man who only wants to get women into bed. He is the stereotypical sleaze who follows women around, says whatever he wants to get them naked, and who doesn't seem to have a clue about what is socially acceptable. He's the kind of man who will hire a stripper to come to his office and give a lap dance to his boss. Despite these flaws, one knows that Sidney is not pretending to be someone to gain success. He is real—and

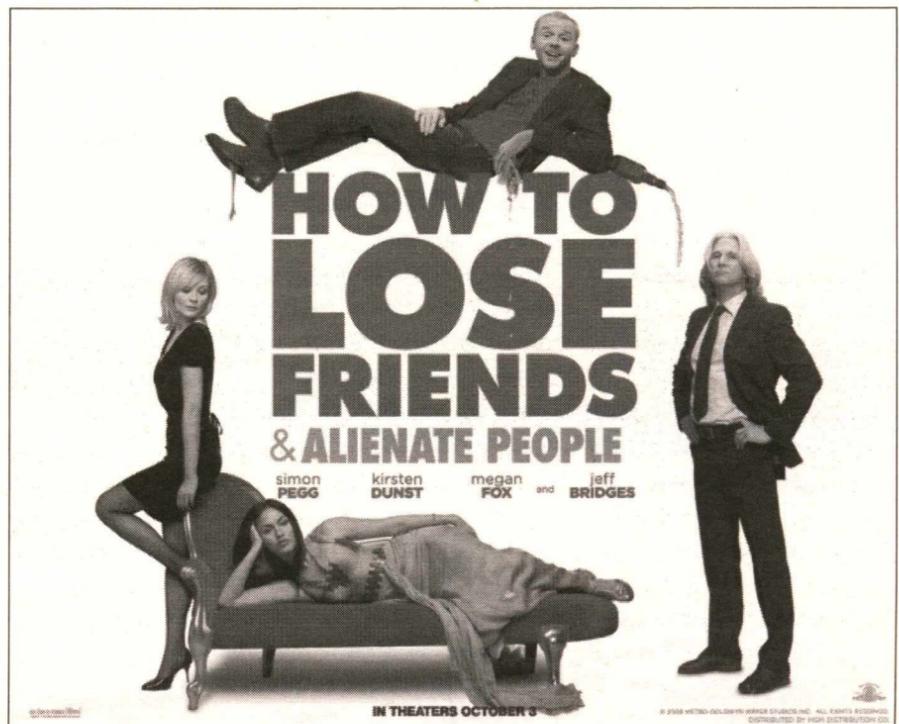
really uncomfortable to be around—but he knows who he is.

The biggest cliché in the movie is Sidney's rise to success and how he compromises his journalism standards to make it to the A-list and into all the parties. When he gets there, he

enjoys it briefly, but realizes it's not worth it. Then he gives it up. Despite this, the cliché doesn't ruin the movie. Viewers know he's going to achieve success and let it go. But on the way, Sidney gives incredibly awkward moments one can only laugh at and insights into

how being yourself does not always alienate you, although in Sidney's case, it does help.

There are some less than appropriate scenes that deal with nudity and sexual innuendo, but overall the movie is worth seeing. It kept me laughing.



Wall Street is still hurting because of the economic crisis

by ASSOCIATED PRESS

The misery worsened on Wall Street Tuesday, with stocks piling on losses late in the session and bringing the two-day decline in the Dow Jones industrials to more than 875 points amid escalating worries about credit markets and the financial sector.

The Dow lost more than 500 points and all the major indexes slid more than 5 percent. The Standard & Poor's 500 index saw its first close below 1,000 in five years.

Steps by the Federal Reserve to reinvigorate the dormant credit markets ultimately weren't enough to calm nervous investors. News about financial companies only added to their despondent mood.

"The calls I'm getting

— every money manager I deal with, and every client I talk to — are just very emotional. This is a very, very emotional time, and most of them are taking steps to shore up their defenses, reducing exposure to stocks just to defend their portfolios," said Hugh Johnson, chairman and chief investment officer of Johnson Illington Advisors.

The magnitude of the stock market's plunge is reflected in the Dow's grim stats:

— Tuesday's close was its lowest close in five years, since Sept. 30, 2003.

— In just five trading days this month, and in the fourth quarter, it is down about 1,400 points, or 13 percent.

— It has fallen 33.3 percent since its record close

of 14,164.53, a year ago Thursday.

— Through Tuesday, it suffered its largest five-day point decline ever, and its largest five-day percentage drop since the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

The credit markets did show some slight signs of easing as demand for safe-haven investments decreased, though that offered little comfort to investors highly anxious about the extremely low lending levels and their impact on the economy. The markets seized up last month after Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. filed for bankruptcy and the government stepped in to rescue insurer American International Group Inc.

Investors remain worried about financial companies like Bank of America Corp.,

which fell after slashing its dividend and reporting that its third-quarter profit fell 68 percent. The stock fell \$8.45, or 26 percent, to \$23.77 Tuesday. It was by far the steepest decliner among the 30 stocks that comprise the Dow industrials.

Investors are fearful that financial companies will continue to face cash shortages even with efforts in Washington and by other governments to resuscitate lending.

"It's such a widespread loss of confidence and, to some extent, a race for the exits," Johnson said.

Stocks ended lower for the fifth straight session. The Dow fell 508.39, or 5.11 percent, to 9,447.11. The drop came a day after the blue chips fell below 10,000 for the first time in

four years. The Dow skidded as much as 800 points on Monday before finishing with a loss of 370.

The dollar was mostly lower against other major currencies, while gold prices rose.

Oil prices rebounded after plunging Monday to an eight-month low on concerns a global recession will undermine demand for crude. Light, sweet crude rose \$2.25 to settle at \$90.06 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Concerns about the credit markets still fed demand for the relative safety of government debt, though pressures eased. The yield on the three-month Treasury bill, which moves opposite its price, rebounded to 0.81 percent from 0.50 percent late Monday. Demand for

short-term Treasuries remains high because of their safety; investors are willing to take extremely low returns just to have their money in a secure place.

Though not giving the market a rate cut, the Fed has taken other steps to help unplug the credit markets. On Tuesday, policymakers provided more details about when it will make \$900 billion in short-term loans available to squeezed banks.

The loans are made available to banks through auctions. The Fed, in coordination with other countries' central banks engaged in similar efforts, laid out dates that it will conduct the auctions through the rest of this year.

Federal agents detain more than 300 suspected illegal immigrants in raid

by ASSOCIATED PRESS

Federal agents detained more than 300 suspected illegal immigrants Tuesday in a raid at a chicken processing plant that has been under investigation for months.

The raid took place during a shift change. Immigration officials kept the workers inside the House of Raeford's Columbia Farms plant and spent most of the

morning trying to interview them and figure out exactly how many are in the U.S. illegally, Assistant U.S. Attorney Kevin McDonald said.

The number could be large. A recent review found that immigration paperwork for more than 775 of 825 workers contained false information, McDonald said.

Immigration agents scoured the plant for paperwork and other information

for the investigation.

House of Raeford processes chickens and turkeys in eight plants in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana and Michigan.

A sales manager at the Greenville plant referred questions to the company's Rose Hill, N.C., headquarters, where a woman answering the phone said there was no immediate comment.

Federal prosecutors and

immigration agents have been investigating the plant's hiring practices for several months.

Twelve people have been arrested, most on charges related to falsifying documents. Seven have pleaded guilty and three supervisors awaiting trial have fled, McDonald said.

The Charlotte Observer first reported in February that plant workers were in the country illegally and

that company managers knew it.

Officials are arranging to care for the children of any workers detained in the raid, one of several nationwide this year.

In August, more than 600 suspected illegal immigrants were detained at a Mississippi transformer plant in the largest single-workplace immigration raid in U.S. history.

In May, federal

immigration officials swept into Agriprocessors, the nation's largest kosher meat-packing plant, in Iowa.

Nearly 400 workers were detained and dozens of fraudulent permanent resident alien cards were seized from the plant's human resources department, according to court records.

Continued from page 1: Students dropped off ballots outside of the Dex

a mock election through ballots printed in the news section of the newspaper. "We eventually ran out of newspapers and ballots," said assistant editor Andrea Schilling, "We ended up just using whatever part of the newspaper we could to let people vote."

The Crusader sponsored the debate and the election to get the campus involved in the upcoming election.

"It's the first time most students will get to vote in a presidential election, and

it's important they're well informed," said Schilling, "it's our job as the newspaper to get the information out there for students to hear."

According to the Gallup Tracking poll, NNU does not reflect the rest of the nation. During the week of Oct. 4-Oct. 6, Sen. Obama led Sen. McCain by as many as nine points. Obama has consistently led McCain since Sept. 13, roughly coinciding with the economic crisis.

Continued from page 1: All money raised by Team Asher will be given to the National Down Syndrome Society

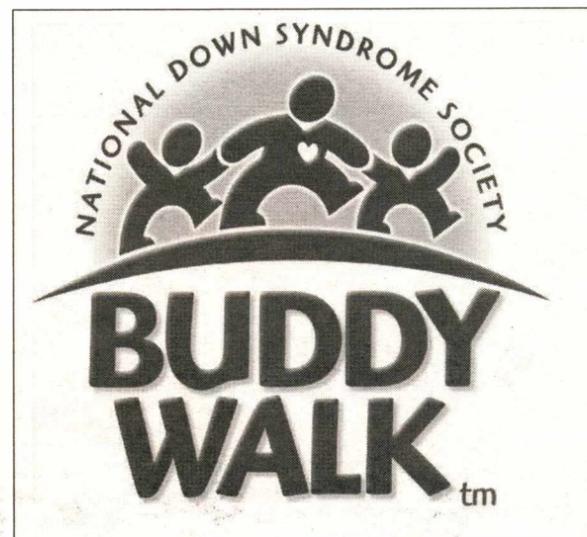
Though Allen is unable to attend the event, she still has taken it upon herself to make the event known to the student body.

"Since I could not walk myself, I wanted to do my best to get other people involved, kind of as a way to replace myself," said Allen.

Allen said the Buddy Walk not only raises money for a cause, but it gets people involved in a personal way. "Team Asher" is proving to be an example of just that.

"Most Saturdays we sit in our dorm rooms and do nothing. Why not, instead, do something that matters? The walk is only one mile, and you get lunch, and a t-shirt and the chance to make a difference," Allen said.

For Asher's mother, the



From www.buddywalk.org

walk isn't just about raising money; it's about raising awareness against prejudices people often have.

"My personal plea would be that those who want to support the cause would simply take any opportunity

they may have to dispel the lie that a person's intrinsic value somehow rests in the particular arrangement of his or her chromosomes," said Gismondi.

The Buddy Walk begins at Capitol Park in Boise and

ends at Julia Davis Park this Saturday. The walk starts at 11 a.m. and registration is 9:00-9:30 a.m.

Participants can register online at idahodownsyndrome.org. Walking for "Team Asher" is \$15; all money goes toward the association.

"Knowing that people are supporting us and the association's cause gives me hope—hope that Asher and other kids with Down Syndrome might have the chance to grow up and thrive in a world that will one day welcome their unique gifts and ways of experiencing life rather than rendering them defective simply because they are 'differently-abled,'" said Gismondi.

CORRECTION

In the Oct. 1 edition of The Crusader, Daryl Gonzales' views were not accurately presented.

Gonzales will not be voting for John McCain in the upcoming presidential election.

JANRIC CLASSIC SUDOKU

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Rating: BRONZE

Solution to 10/4/08

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Rating: SILVER

Solution to 10/6/08

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Newsday Crossword

LOTS OF NOTHING by Fred Piscop
Edited by Stanley Newman
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| ACROSS | 54 Taboo act | 5 Ref-shirt design | 31 Winds up |
| 1 Uses a microwave | 55 Compass dir. | 6 Ticked off | 32 "Darn it!" |
| 6 Moslem holy man | 56 Something hilarious | 7 Hurt severely | 33 Straddling |
| 10 Seemingly boundless | 57 Unlimited authority | 8 St. crosser | 34 Actress Sorvino |
| 14 Doing nothing | 60 Prelude to a deal | 9 Talking beast of TV | 35 Sahara sight |
| 15 Sitarist Shankar | 61 White House worker | 10 Clueless expression | 38 Diner amenity |
| 16 Low female voice | 62 Chowder server | 11 TV talk host Colmes | 42 Part of Mr. Peanut's outfit |
| 17 Sunny forecast | 63 Impolite look | 12 For men only | 44 Day-__ paint |
| 19 James of Las Vegas | 64 Bring up | 13 Theater prize | 45 Young hoodlum |
| 20 Reunion bunch | 65 Snaky shapes | 18 Hobo fare | 47 Copier additive |
| 21 Tabloids twosome | | 23 Hose down | 48 Burpee bagful |
| 22 Like some country-music vocals | DOWN | 25 Parent of college kids, perhaps | 49 Quitter's cry |
| 24 Infused | 1 Shaving mishaps | 26 In use | 50 Lap dogs |
| 26 Many a new driver | 2 Totally dark | 28 Macadam-covered | 51 Like some thermometers |
| 27 Cat call | 3 New Hampshire city | 29 Screen symbol | 52 Place to wait |
| 28 How some temps work | 4 Victorian __ | 30 Buck, for example | 53 Spoil, with "on" |
| 32 Cloverleaf parts | | | 54 Zilch |
| 35 Soap unit | | | 58 Tell a whopper |
| 36 Do a cashier's job | | | 59 Partakes of |
| 37 Toiling away | | | |
| 38 Socked away | | | |
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| 40 Loyalist of 1776 | | | |
| 41 Congregation call | | | |
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Answer to previous puzzle

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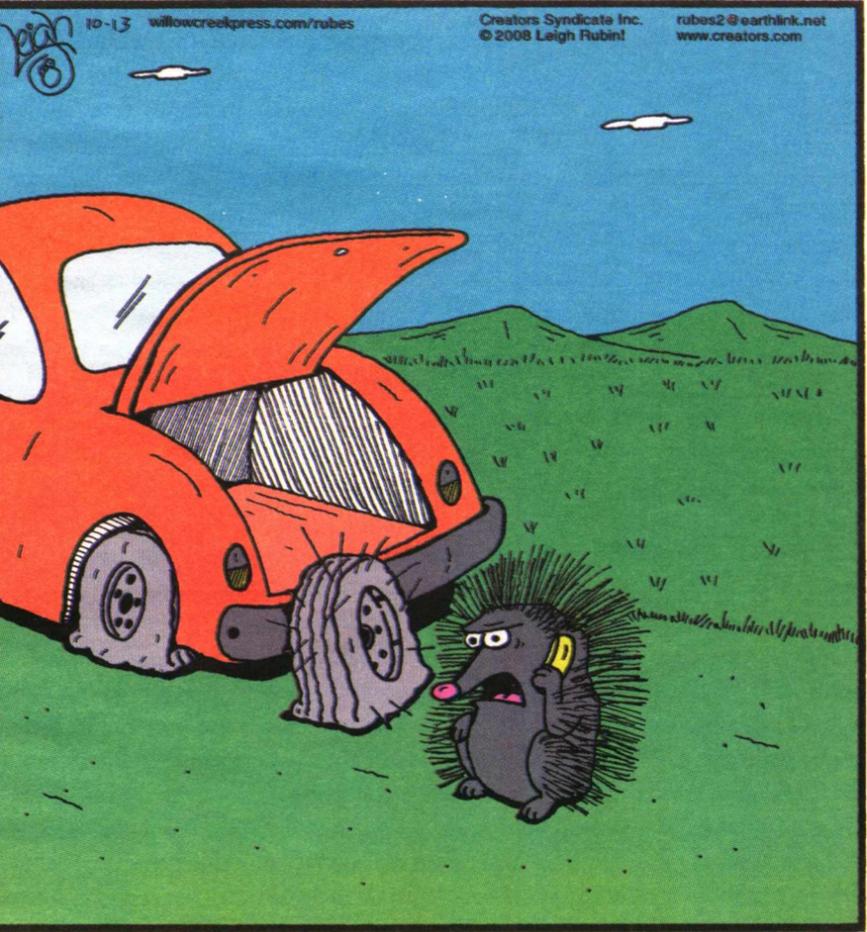
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Top 10 Debate Mistakes

- 10) Saying "for the most part, we agree." If you agree, why are you arguing?
- 9) Going over time. Seriously, it's not as if you're answering the questions anyway, just keep it short.
- 8) Assuming everyone in the audience and at home is your friend.
- 7) Saying "I was a POW" in response to every single question.
- 6) Referring to yourself in the third person.
- 5) Using the term "straight up"--ever.
- 4) Wasting your response time to tell the American people about your need for hair plugs.
- 3) Saying "fundamental" entirely too often.
- 2) Talking over each other. So not helpful when we're trying to listen you what you have to say.
- 1) Using "maverick" 27 times in one sentence.



After years of unsuccessful chasing, Victor cleverly devises a foolproof scheme to, at last, catch the car.



"Hello, roadside assistance? ... I have a flat. ... No, I don't have a spare."