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*It's all too typical*

DAVE: Hey, Matt -- this is our final issue before the staff changes.

MATT: Gee, Dave, I don't know.

DAVE: We could do a cheesy farewell story, thanking all the folks who have worked hard with us over the last two years.

MATT: Nah. Too typical.

DAVE: Or we could do something flashy -- some big, hard-nosed, investigative story that will shock the pants off people.

MATT: No, that's for REAL journalists.

DAVE: Hey -- we could just throw something together at the last minute Monday night -- I'll do the story; you do the art?

MATT: Okay! It'll be just like every other week!

DAVE: But I want the story to be really meaningful. Something that really sums up what we've been trying to do during the last two years -- how we've tried to make the world relevant to NNC students, and how we've encouraged them to seek greater understanding and awareness and personal fulfillment and human brotherhood and world peace and --

MATT: Dave?

DAVE: Yeah?

MATT: Shut up.

Dad

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A Dave Barry special  
report: Innocents abroad

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Recently I went to England on a selfless humanitarian mission to sell books. It was a very relaxing trip until about 35 minutes after the plane landed at Heathrow Airport, which is when a British person cheerfully informed my wife and me that terrorists had been shooting mortar bombs onto the runway. Really. They have political organizations over there that, having apparently received public-relations

advice from Charles Manson, believe that the way to garner public support is to bomb and mortar the public. "Hey!" the public is apparently supposed to respond.

"Homicidal loons are trying to kill me! I am feeling supportive toward them!"

Shortly after we arrived, there were two more mortar attacks on Heathrow. None of the bombs detonated, but I was starting to wonder about the quality of the airport security. I envisioned squadrons of Scotland Yard detectives wearing Sherlock Holmes hats, crawling on hands and knees, scrutinizing every blade of grass through powerful magnifying glasses, not noticing trucks rumbling past them with large signs that said, "CAUTION! MORTAR BOMBS!"

Don't get me wrong. I live in South Florida, and we have our problems, too. The very week I was in England, a German tourist, checking out of a South Florida hotel, complained about an odor in his room, which turned out to be emanating from --- I am not making this up -- a corpse under the bed. (Apparently he had failed to put out the little doorknob sign that says "MAID: PLEASE REMOVE CORPSE.") But we South Floridians pride ourselves on our mortar-free runways, which enable us to guarantee that our tourists will be safe and secure.

Unless of course they are foolish enough to actually get off the plane.

Anyway, the mortars were scary,

but we had a MUCH scarier experience in England: Somehow -- probably because of another massive screw up at the CIA -- we got invited to dine at the U.S. ambassador's residence. We were the only people on the guest list whose titles were "Mr. and Mrs." Everybody else was something like "The Lord Earl of Gwebbing and

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Her Worshipfulness the Viscountess Lady Huffington Prawn-Armature." So when we arrived at the ambassador's residence, which is approximately the size of Wales, but with more bathrooms, we were feeling socially intimidated.

Fortunately the ambassador and his wife were extremely nice, which was reassuring, as was the fact that they had three dogs (one main, two backups) with no sense of etiquette whatsoever ("I know! Let's sniff the viscountess!"). Nevertheless, when it came time to eat dinner, I developed severe Table Manners Paranoia. I estimate that there were 27 forks at my place setting alone. Plus, it turns out that at these formal dinners they have rules about whom you talk to: Before the main course, you're supposed to talk exclusively to the lady on your left as though she is the most fascinating human on the planet, but when the main course arrives, you're supposed to drop her like used chewing gum and talk to the lady on your right. It's amazing to watch the changeover. All heads in the room swivel simultaneously, like synchronized motorized elves in a Christmas display.

Of course I didn't know about this, so midway through the dinner I suddenly found myself having an animated conversation with the back of the head of the lady on my left, who, despite having been, only moments earlier, my closest personal friend, no longer seemed to realize that I

existed. (To this day, she never calls, and she never writes.)

Speaking of exciting social adventures: Several nights later, we were at a party, and the host came up and said, "I'd like you to meet Salman Rushdie." Really. Apparently Salman has turned into a major party animal. So there I was, chatting with him, trying to appear cool, but in fact wondering if I would have been safer just staying at the airport.

"So, Salman!" I wanted to say. "Perhaps we would be more comfortable if we were lying face-down on the floor away from the windows!"

But other than these few anxious moments, we had a wonderful time in England. They were having some highly entertaining government scandals. We Americans tend to have obscure boring complicated financial Whitewater-type scandals that nobody understands; whereas the British have scandals involving straightforward, clear-cut issues of obvious significance, such as high government officials paying for sex with fish.

Speaking of food: The British are definitely getting better at cooking, and they have discovered the ice cube. Fortunately, however, some things have not changed: They still have the Royal Dysfunctional Family, and it is still a constant source of entertainment. (The day we got there, Prince Charles made the newspapers by asking, on a tour of a cosmetics plant, if anybody wanted to -- I am not making this up -- lick mango butter off his body.)

Also the British still speak in British accents, so that no matter what they say, it sounds really intelligent to Americans; and they still really say things like "bloody" and "smashing." Plus they keep inventing wonderful new expressions. For example, I saw a newspaper front page that had a photograph of a man, with the headline: "MR. CHUCK-LETROUSERS." I asked a number of British people about this expression; they had no idea what it meant but they all agreed that they would definitely try to use it a lot. So should we, I think. We should maintain close ties with our friends across the Atlantic. But we should all remain out of mortar range.



CAMPUS

# Travel groups prepare for summer ministry

By D. ANDREW ZIRSCHKY  
STAFF WRITER

When the academic year is done, many students return home to face life with Mom and Dad and begin the search for some kind of summer job other than refilling the ketchup dispenser at Wendy's.

For a select group of NNC students, known as the Ambassadors, Proclaim, and Covenant -- NNC's musical traveling groups, this situation is replaced with a summer of singing, traveling, and camp counseling.

The Ambassadors will begin traveling in the middle of June and will finish their tour of the region at the end of August. This group includes Dave Bomar, Kendra Lubiens, Adam Watkins, Corey Fivecoat, Amy Hagemeyer, Jenny Wells, and Kristen Dalton.

"We're doing five weeks of camps and five weeks of churches," says Kristen Dalton, Ambassador member.

"The Ambassadors will be doing four camps in the Colorado, Montana, and Wyoming districts; one camp on the Washington Pacific district; and one on the Northwest district. Also, we're singing at some of the bigger churches like Denver First and Portland First," added Dalton.

Proclaim, the Ambassadors' sister group has an equally full schedule. The seven students which make up this group are: Camrynne Beadles, Carla Padur, Brenda Elder, Wendy Huntington, Dave McEwen, Trevor Wells, and Cary Hill.

Proclaim will be performing at a Washington Pacific camp, one Northwest district camp, two Intermountain camps, and three Oregon Pacific camps. They will also be performing at many churches throughout the region.

"We'll be spending a lot of our time

primarily in Oregon," says Proclaim member Carla Padur.

"Proclaim tends to do more on the west side of the region," Padur added.

This year marks the advent of a new summer travel group called Covenant. According to Terry Blom, Chair of Enrollment Management, the new group was added to reduce, "a backlog of several hundred churches that have been diligently requesting to have travel groups come and perform."

Covenant, which consists of Jon and Tina Vandel and Brad and Michele Pederson, will be singing at the Alaska district camps and many churches on the Intermountain district.

Blom says that Covenant may do some non-traditional activities during the summer such as performing at various festivals for migrant workers in the Treasure Valley.

Experienced travel group members point to their work in camps and churches as an extremely positive thing for them personally.

"I grew personally last year, not only from the situations I was put in at camps, but also from the home stays, and the people that I have traveled with," says Padur, "For me, the combination of the opportunity to grow personally and be stretched spiritually, and to have an opportunity for ministry made it a great experience."

Padur says that she still writes to several kids she met at camps as a Proclaim member last summer.

Blom sees the summer ministry groups as an asset to NNC's recruiting power, stating, "It is a good outreach tool for us where students looking at NNC get to see more than a printed brochure. The travel groups allow prospective students to identify the school with real people."

## NNC Summer Travel Groups

### Proclaim

From L to R: Camrynne Beadles, Cary Hill, Brenda Elder, Wendy Huntington, Dave McEwen, Trevor Wells, Carla Padur.



### Ambassadors

From L to R: Amy Hagemeyer, Dave Bomar, Jennifer Wells, Kendra Lubiens, Corey Fivecoat, Adam Watkins, Kristen Dalton



### Covenant

From L to R: Michele and Brad Pederson, Tina and John Vandel



# Class council election speeches get underway

By D. ANDREW ZIRSCHKY  
STAFF WRITER

Class elections will be held Wednesday in the Student Center at mealtimes and in Wiley from 11:00 am to 1:00. Speeches for all candidates will be held during chapel times on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Presidential candidates for the class of 1995 are Garrett Schmelzenbach and

Misty Linn. Megan Iwerson is running for Vice-President; Chantel Cox, Secretary; Kristina Hedstrom, Treasurer; and Cheryl Beebe, Chaplain. Mary Kessel, Tim Schlack, Jackie Freeman, Skye Duncan, and Micah Montague are running for senate positions.

Running for President for the class of 1996 are Patrick Fitzgerald and John Fraley. Angie Secord is running for Vice-President; Tami Hunter, Secretary; Brian

Bartlow, Treasurer; and Jen Wilks, Social Board. Running for Chaplain are Rita Peterson, Shannon Donovan, and Chad Ramage. Roberta Clark, Tim Whetstone, Elizabeth Walker, and Bill Buckholdtare running for senate.

Presidential candidates for the class of 1997 are Richard Nottingham, Anne Freeman, Karl Ganske, and Andrew Zirschky. Vice-President candidates are Brad Williamson, Jennifer Hubartt, and

Sean Nixon. Running for Secretary are Tracey Bryan, Donna Kenoyer, Tammy Skeen; Treasurer, Sonia Maendl Amy Watson; Chaplain Timothy Bryant, Kevin Farrow, Troy Groves; Social Board Emily Vannoy and Shane Koglin. Senate candidates are Brent Peterson, Julie Gilbert, Kristie Wattenbarger, Amy Wattenpugh, Dow Stephens, Adam Watkins, Eric Kaupila, Jason Mittelstaedt, Kyle Six, and Brent Thomas.

**Speeches and voting compromise election week**



## CAMPUS

# Leadership gathering gives officers new ideas

After attending the Nazarene Student Leadership Conference, ASNNC Executive Officers are working on plans and goals for the 94-95 school year.

BY KONA LEW  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Recently several members of the new Executive Council traveled to Boston, Massachusetts, to Eastern Nazarene College for the Nazarene Student Leadership Conference.

"The main seminar during the conference was about personality and leadership styles. We took the Myers-Briggs Personality Inventory; it helped us learn how each of us think and handle different situations," said Lance Nelson, ASNNC President. "It helped us foresee the personality differences, so we can understand one another better."

"This seminar will help us pinpoint our conflicts and where we are going to be great together," explained Jami Mittelstaedt, Executive Vice President. "The conference also helped us because we were able to talk to other officers in our positions and share ideas."

Nelson first goal for next year is to share some of the ideas and experiences with those officers who were not able to attend the leadership conference. He explained, "I want the council to operate

as a team or family. I want us to be able to be close and supportive."

His second goal focuses on "trying to reach the group of students who don't normally get involved with activities. The council wants to involve that facet of the campus."

His third goal is "to help promote the school." This goal centers on helping prospective students see different aspects of NNC, such as showing them how they can become involved in student government or the newspaper or yearbook.

Mittlestaedt hopes to get more students involved in class councils. She wants to "make sure senate meetings run smoothly and students will feel comfortable" voicing their concerns and requests. She also wants to increase voter response by "making sure it is really publicized."

Much of her job will entail working on the computer, but she realizes, "I will have to learn more as I become more acquainted with my job."

Kristen Dalton will serve her second year as Social Vice President. "My goal is to follow the same format for

events next year, but there will be no repeat of anything. For example, last year there was a band that played for Rootbeer Fest, but this year I want to have a comedian."

Dalton came back from the conference with a lot of new ideas. She also enjoyed the personality seminar, where she found out that many of the officers who attended the conference are "very sequential people" whereas she considers herself to be more random and last minute.

Dalton sees this year's council as much more of a team. "The council has a different attitude this year; it seems like we are willing to work together rather than just individually," explained Dalton.

Julie Watson has previous experience as Sophomore Class Secretary to begin her job as ASNNC Secretary. "Right now I have a lot of busy work I am trying to get done, but I am looking forward to this next school year," said Watson. "We have a good group of people on the Executive Council."

Stacy Hendrickson has worked on the Community Relations Board, help-

ing organize and plan RUSH, the Blood Drive, and Kid's Activity Day. This experience will help her begin her job as Community Relations Coordinator.

"I see NNC as a hidden treasure that the community has yet to fully discover," stated Hendrickson. "We present many exciting activities that the community could attend...as we have seen from the success of the NAIA Tournament, we will receive support for our school financially and spiritually."

Hendrickson hopes to start a mentoring program at Nampa High School, because the high school has a drop-out rate of approximately 40 percent. She also wants to develop the recycling program "further with the cooperation of the student body."

Sarah Sterk, Publicity Manager, and Camrynne Beadles, Business Manager, were unavailable to comment on their goals and ideas for the next year, as well as their experience at the leadership conference.

The members of the Executive Council appear to be looking forward to their year ahead. Nelson said of his new job "I'm ready to go."

# FreeMan's Attic debuts in Portland clubs

Four students in their newly formed alternative band hit the night life of Portland to entertain and share their "freedom in Christ."

BY ANTHONY SYME  
STAFF WRITER

FreeMan's Attic, a band formerly known as Rainchild, combines the talents of Eric Glassco (drums), Dain Johnson (bass), Sarah Pemberton (vocals), and Dan "Arnis" Pape (guitar) to produce a unique, alternative hard-core style of rock.

The band's name originally came from a friend who suggested the band be called "Attic," but "FreeMan" was added to emphasize "freedom in Christ," while "Attic" refers to a person's inner thoughts or being as a whole.

FreeMan's Attic spent an early April weekend rocking the cities of Portland and Vancouver with its own brand of high-energy music.

The first stop on Saturday, the Corral, was more of a Christian, family-oriented club, with a ministry emphasis for teens. The band remarked that the crowd was somewhat reluctant to get too enthusiastic, the presence of adult supervision being the possible cause.

The patrons of the X-Ray Cafe, Portland, however, were more receptive, and even asked the band for an encore performance on Sunday night, a night set aside for Christian acts in a normally secular establishment.

FreeMan's Attic started to play the Satyricon of Portland, early Tuesday morning (1:05 am, to be exact), and it proved to be the band's favorite performance.

The crowd was full of typical, wild club enthusiasts. Eric Glassco described the crowd as more "realistic" and the whole experience was "mosh-pit city."

Overall, the biggest crowd-pleasers were the songs "Forgive Me, Forget That," "The Man," and "Sergeant Racism." The band viewed their short but thrilling excursion into the club scene as a success, both musically and lyrically.

The fusion of Christian lyrics and a rockin' sound helped the band appear as unique, and sparked the interest of many listeners.

Numerous opportunities popped up for the band to talk to people one-on-one



**FreeMan's Attic** From L to R: Dan Pape, Sarah Pemberton, Eric Glassco (behind Pemberton), and Dain Johnson perform at the X-Ray Cafe in Portland.

about their Christian faith.

While the band members don't consider themselves to be an official "ministry" group, they have no qualms about projecting a Christian image and sharing their beliefs with others.

What does the future hold? The band will be playing at a Boise club, the Crazy Horse, at 9:00 pm this Friday, and there are plans for some recording to be

done before the end of the year.

They group has also enjoyed the growing friendships among the band members.

The band hopes to set up their own concert dates on campus, aside from their Koffee Haus appearances. If anyone has any questions or comments about the group, all correspondence should be directed toward Box 2351.



## NATION

# Nixon known for more than Watergate

BY DAVE MCEWEN  
OFF-CAMPUS EDITOR

"For millions, Richard Nixon was truly one of the finest statesmen this world has ever seen," said former President Ronald Reagan in a statement Saturday, "Today the world mourns the loss of a great champion of democratic ideals who dedicated his life to the cause of world peace."

The nation grieved the loss of Richard Milhous Nixon on Friday, as the 37th President of the United States died at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center.

The 81 year old statesman lapsed into a deep coma Thursday morning after suffering a stroke on Monday.

Jonathan Weil, a spokesman for the New York Hospital, issued a statement that "President Richard M. Nixon died at 9:08 p.m. (7:08 MDT) as a result of a massive stroke which he suffered on Monday, April 18. His family was with him."

His daughters, Julie Nixon Eisenhower and Trica Nixon Cox, were at Nixon's bedside when he died.

Nixon's wife, Thelma "Pat" Ryan Nixon, died after a long battle with lung cancer on June 22, 1993.

Until his death, the nation had five living ex-presidents, the most ever: Nixon, Ford, Carter, Reagan and Bush.

Nixon was a man that inspired deep love and loyalty or hate to the extreme. Whether the people loved him or hated him, his terms in the White House produced some of the most important changes in foreign policy and international politics that the world has ever seen.

Richard M. Nixon was born second of five sons to Francis and Hannah Nixon on January 9, 1913. The son of a fruit farmer and former trolleyman, Nixon attended Whittier College in Whittier, California, and graduated in 1934. He then attended and graduated third in his class from the Duke University law school in 1937. After marrying Thelma Ryan in 1940, he served with the United States Navy for four years during World War II.

Nixon's political career essentially began in 1946 when he was elected to represent California for his first of two terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. During this time, 1946-49, Nixon earned his reputation as a bitter campaigning mud-slinger.

Nixon was elected to the U.S. Senate in November of 1950, defeating Democrat Helen Gahagen Douglas in a campaign filled with confrontations and hostility.

On September 23, 1952, Nixon, then Dwight D. Eisenhower's vice presidential running-mate, made the famous "Checkers" speech, where he defended acceptance of campaign contributions and a personal gift of "Checkers" the family cocker spaniel. Nixon served as Eisenhower's vice president when he was elected in 1952, and again in 1956.

In 1960, after a series of televised debates, Nixon ran for the office of the President, and lost a narrow race to John F. Kennedy. Two years later Nixon lost another close race, this time for the California governorship, to Edmund G. "Pat" Brown. Frustrated with his failure in politics, he told reporters that he had run his last race and, "You won't have Nixon to kick around anymore."

But he watched with patience the Republican debacle of 1964, and bided his time until returning to the political limelight. Vietnam gave him his opening to return to the stage of politics. The unpopularity of the war forced democrat Lyndon B. Johnson from the campaign and forced his would-be heir, Hubert H. Humphrey, to run the race with a considerable handicap.

Nixon roared back to politics on a national scale and won the 1968 presidential race with running mate Spiro Agnew as his vice president, defeating Humphrey and Independent George Wallace. He was sworn in as the 37th President of the United States on January 20, 1969.

Nixon made foreign policy the foundation for his presidency, dealing extensively with relations between the U.S. and countries that were traditionally pitted against America.

Former Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona stated, "He is, without a doubt, the most knowledgeable president we've ever had in foreign policy."

It only took the new president a few months to initiate action to begin the gradual withdrawal of troops from Vietnam, finally ending the U.S.'s involvement in the war in 1973.

Nixon's most historic foreign policy event happened on July 15, 1971, when he made a surprise announcement that he was going to visit Communist China. In February of the following year, the president, once a leading member of the anti-Beijing China Lobby, made his historic trip, breaking new ground and literally reopening relations with China.

He also began the rapprochement with the Soviet Union with the signing of the

first treaty limiting the potentially deadly nuclear arms race.

In November of 1972 Nixon was re-elected by a landslide over Democrat George McGovern. He carried 49 states, losing only Massachusetts and the District of Columbia.

Nixon began his second term the same way he began his first, by taking action to halt the conflict in Vietnam. On January 27, 1973, he signed agreements that ended the war.

Despite all of his great achievements as a president, a statesman, and a world leader, Richard Nixon will always be remembered for the Watergate scandal. Years from now, when history books allot only one paragraph to the 37th President of the United States, Nixon's write up will begin with the words, "The only president forced to resign from office."

Elliot Richardson, the attorney general during the beginnings of the Watergate scandal, saw Nixon as "a figure not unlike the flawed hero of a Greek tragedy," a man who "had it within his grasp to be a great president" and who, in fact, achieved great domestic and foreign victories. Then, Richardson added, the "flaw" came into play and Watergate was the result.

On June 23, 1972, a group of men who were employees of Nixon's campaign committee broke into the Democratic Headquarters at the Watergate Complex in Washington D.C. and were arrested. Later, on June 23, when the President learned of the action he approved a cover-up of the activities, only to be trapped by his own tapes that had recorded the incriminating conversations in the Oval Office.

A grand jury named Nixon a unindicted co-conspirator in the attempted cover-up of the Watergate break-in. In July of 1974, the House Judiciary Committee voted to recommend Nixon's impeachment for obstructing justice, abuse of power and contempt of Congress.

On August 9, Nixon, not wanting to be impeached in disgrace, resigned on national television from the office of President. Within a month, Gerald Ford, who succeeded Nixon as President, granted him a full, unconditional pardon for all of his criminal activities.

Nixon had an extraordinary ability to bounce back from adversity. One of his most able aids, Bryce Harlow, said of him, "He is a cork. Push him down and he pops right back up. He verges on being indestructible."

During the years since his resignation, Nixon has published eight books concern-

ing various issues including RN: The Memoirs of Richard Nixon in 1978, The Real War, a book on U.S. foreign policy in 1980, Leaders in 1982, Real Peace: A Strategy for the West in 1983, No More Vietnams in 1985, 1999: Victory Without War in 1988, and In The Arena: A Memoir of Victory, Defeat and Renewal in 1990.

In In the Arena, Nixon made a statement that has become famous over the years as his creed of resiliency, "Only when you have been in the depths," he wrote, "can you appreciate the heights. Without risks you will suffer no defeats. But without defeats you will win no victories."

Former Secretary of state William Rogers, now a New York Lawyer, called Nixon, "A great world leader."

"His accomplishments," said Rogers, "were overshadowed by another event that was deemed more newsworthy at the time. But I think that history will overcome that. In fact, I don't know of any other mortal who went through what Richard Nixon went through and by the end of his life had recovered as much as he had. He never gave in."

As much as Nixon will be remembered as the president who fell from grace, he deserves to be remembered as the genius of foreign policy that he was.

"He broke the law, but he made peace with that the day he resigned and left the White House," said Alexander Haig, who was chief of the White House staff when Nixon resigned, "His influence in foreign affairs at the time of his death was still such that every president and world leader sought him out. He was a great man and he will be a role model for generations to come in the way he bounced back from adversity. Time will tell about Richard Nixon."

The Richard Nixon Library and Birthplace, including a museum, that opened in Yorba Linda in 1990, will house the former President's body when it is flown to California today.

Services are scheduled for 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Nixon Library with family friend Rev. Billy Graham officiating. Graham also presided over the funeral last year of Nixon's wife Pat. A private service will follow at the library near Mrs. Nixon's grave.

Delivering eulogies at the service will be President Bill Clinton, Senator Bob Dole (R-Kan.) and California Governor Pete Wilson.

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### THE SMELLS OF NAMPA

## Smell travels 25 miles to Nampa

BY ANNE FRAHM AND  
 BRENDA CLOUGH  
 STAFF WRITERS

Exactly how far can smell travel? Does the speed depend on the type of smell? Perhaps the worse the smell the faster it travels. Considering the fact that the trip to the Simplot Processing Plant took 25 minutes, the smell should have reached Nampa by now.

We were originally tipped off about this smell producing locale by a local who has the unfortunate task of driving by this plant every day on her way to work. Despite the fact that this wasn't an actual smell of Nampa, we decided to take a temporary detour through the countryside. We were greeted by lush fields teaming with flowers and donkeys pulling carts of hay. A picture perfect postcard (maybe if you're in Sicily). Needless to say, we didn't stop.

The Simplot factory took up approximately a half mile stretch of the countryside with processing of potatoes on one side and cows on the other. Ever heard of the saying, "It's the meat and potatoes of country living"? Well, they must have been visiting the Simplot empire.

As we drove down the highway we were greeted by the pleasant smell of

rotting hash browns. To make the picture a little more vivid, imagine a baked potato that you have eaten and conveniently left the skin off of. The skin sits in the hot sun for several days, and is then fried in grease which is in a similar condition. Makes you wonder where SAGA gets their hash browns doesn't it?

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, or on the other side of the road, it literally smelled like a ranch. Anne commented, "It smells like my best friend's house, oh the memories." You can take that to mean whatever you want. Sorry about that, Brenda got a little happy on the keyboard while I took a bathroom break.

We noticed that in addition to the herds of cows, there were some occasional horses mixed in. "I hope they're not waiting for the glue factory," said Anne. But then we decided that they looked much too healthy for glue. Dog food possibly, but glue, no. In front of the corrals we noticed several chutes spitting out french fries and whole potatoes into the nice, clean dirt. Mmmmm good. And you wondered why brand name foods cost more.

Despite the efforts of the huge burly woman driving the dump truck behind us, we made it across the road to the "Employee Store". We thought that we might hang out and shoot the

breeze with some of the workers, but bummer deal, the store was closed. They must have just sold the last employee.

As far as Idaho goes, this place has some of the tightest security second only to the State Pen. Barbed wire encircled the entire perimeter of the plant causing us to wonder what happened if you were late to work. Would you get locked out?

Practically every road into the plant was accompanied by a no trespassing sign and security booths, but we were lucky enough to find the administration building without being harassed by some power hungry security guard. Remember Armour? The administration building consisted of a double-wide trailer. Not a single-wide, a double-wide. Oh, the luxuries of being King Spud.

After taking a picture of the lady security guard we decided that we had better split before a confrontation erupted. "We don't have good luck with security. Hurry up, she's calling someone," said Brenda as we began to drive off.

On our scale of smells from 1-10, we would have to give this place about a 6.497635, which includes the rate of deterioration of the smell over the 25 mile drive.

## Musicals to visit Boise stage

BY JOHN NORDSTROM  
 SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Two critically acclaimed productions will hit the Morrison Center in Boise in May. "City of Angels" and "The Secret Garden," both musical heavy weights, are touring nationally. The two musicals have won a combined nine Tony awards.

"The Secret Garden," originally a novel for children written by Frances Hodgson Burnett, won three Tony's in 1990, most remarkably for its many-layered collaged set by Heidi Landesman. The original Broadway production promises to be close to the original and Marianne Evett of "The Plain Dealer" states, "I defy you to stay dry-eyed."

The story revolves around the experiences of Mary Lennox, a girl who is sent to England to live with her uncle, Archibald Craven, after her parents are killed by a

cholera epidemic in India. Her uncle is also dealing with the pain of loss -- that of his wife Lily who died 10 years prior to Mary's arrival.

As Mary learns how to deal with her new strangely aloof uncle she discovers a shut up cousin, Colin and a long, unused garden. Through the garden, she finds her identity and an outlet for her emotions. What was once a shambles she repairs and gets life from and in turn restores the health of her cousin and the spirits of her uncle.

The story now incorporates music and lyrics which help add emotional interpretation to the scenes of loneliness and victory. "The Secret Garden" is the only American Musical written, composed, directed and based upon a book by a woman.

In contrast, "City of Angels" is according to Jeffrey Lyons, "A wonderful,

racy, witty, hilarious show." The comedy is written by Larry Gelbart, the creator of M\*A\*S\*H. The comedy is set in 1940's Los Angeles. It spoofs the Sam Spade/Humphrey Bogart film noir genre and forces together the dregs of society with the Hollywood high society.

"City of Angels" is an original comedy/mystery mixed with music and romance. It won six Tony's in 1990.

"City of Angels" plays May 1, 1994, at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are available from Select-A-Seat at \$35, \$33, & \$29.

"The Secret Garden" plays May 15, 1994, at 2 & 8 p.m. Tickets are available from Select-A-Seat at \$39, \$33, & \$29.50, children half price for the 2 p.m. show.

Both performances at the Morrison Center, call 385-1110 for information regarding tickets. Student half price tickets available on the day of the event.



## NATION

# Rodham clears the air about profits

► **First lady holds press conference to set the record straight about her investments**

BY CRUSADER NEWS SERVICE

Hillary Rodham Clinton recently held an unusual press conference in which she offered an explanation of her finances.

For the last few months the media has centered upon Rodham's financial dealings with the stock market. Over a small period of time, she turned a thousand dollar commodities investment into a \$100,000 profit.

Until the conference, Rodham said that she did all the made the profit by studying the financial news and making all of the trades herself.

Saturday, however, she revealed

that she utilized the talents of James B. Blair, a family friend and lawyer for one of the states largest companies, Tyson foods inc.

"I did the trades," she said, "they were my trades. I was responsible for them. But I did them on the advice of Jim Blair, and very often he placed them for me."

The First Lady said that a poor memory and not wanting to reveal private information caused her recent troubles with the media.

"I do feel like I have always been a fairly private person leading a public life," Mrs. Clinton said. "I have always believed in a zone of privacy. And I told a friend the other day that

I feel after resisting for a long time I've been rezoned."

With her image swaying between Saint Hillary and profit-hungry businesswoman, the first lady tried to take back control of her reputation so she could move ahead on health care this summer without being constantly reminded of her Arkansas past.

Mrs. Clinton's popularity has slid in the weeks since the White House began issuing partial and sometimes conflicting explanations about her financial activities.

A Los Angeles Times poll conducted April 16 through 19 found that only 44 percent of the public viewed her favorably, as opposed to 56 percent who did in January.

Source: The Idaho Statesman

## WORLD

# SouthAfrica to hold free elections

► **Historical election to take place today as DeClerk and Mandela supporters clash**

BY TOBY JEFFREY  
STAFF WRITER

On Tuesday, April 26th, an historical event will take place in the nation of South Africa. For the first time in the nations history, an election will take place where all races can vote.

With the rest of the world watching the South African government has made a very long and bloody transition towards a real majority rule government.

In a country whose history is riddled with blood shed and massacres the past year has been exceptionally bloody. In 1993 alone 17,467 South Africans were murdered, 7.5 times higher than New York city.

On Sunday, a 200-pound car bomb blew out at least a dozen stores killing nine and injuring over 100 people. This explosion was aimed at the headquarters of the African National Congress, it is believed the bomb was set by white extremists.

The nation of South Africa has been under a government declared 'state of emergency' off and on over the past ten years.

The violence has occurred as a result of tribal differences, black on black political violence as well as interracial

violence. With Zulu nationalists being dragged into the election kicking and screaming, many black ethnic tribes making their own demands and the white right wing demanding a homeland of their own, South Africa seems to be sitting on a powderkeg of a civil war.

Tuesday's elections will be dominated by three major groups, the African National Congress led by Nelson

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Mandela, the Inkatha Freedom Party lead by Mangosuthu Buthelezi, and the National Party lead by current president F.W. deKlerk.

Current president deKlerk is the man responsible for the push towards majority rule. In December of 91' deKlerk's followers along with Mandela's ANC and other groups got together to organize a transition towards democrat-

ic rule. 23 months later, the representatives of the parties which had been at war for two years were able to pound out a compromise.

This compromise was a 100 page interim constitution granting free rights to all South Africans. Although this was a landmark occasion and it set in motion the process that will result in Tuesday's elections, the country was still as close as ever to a nationwide civil war.

The ANC's Nelson Mandela is the obvious front runner in the campaign.

Mandela spent twenty years in a South African prison for opposing apartheid through the then illegal ANC. Upon his release from prison millions of South Africans swarmed towards his leadership.

Many in the international scene who are watching the developments in South Africa question the ability of any of

the political parties, if elected, to effectively shore up the differences in this distraught country.

The obvious conclusion to be drawn is the fact that this weeks elections will put a cap on South Africa's move towards a democracy. But one may wonder-much like the past years in Russia-what the real battle will hold for South Africa's post election future.

## BRIEFLY

## 25 injured in Australian crash

A twin-engine plane had engine trouble, ditched into the water and sank minutes after taking off from Sydney's main airport Sunday. All 25 people aboard were injured.

Helicopters and fishing boats rescued the passengers and crew members before the plane filled with water and sank in 15 minutes, police said. The accident occurred in Botany Bay, which is south of the city.

## Rwandan rebels battle government

Rwandan rebels and government forces exchanged heavy mortar and gunfire in the capital Sunday, and efforts to mediate an end to more than two weeks of bloodletting failed in neighboring Tanzania.

Military officers in Kigali told the United Nations on Sunday that they were unable to contact officials in Gitarama, the town southwest of the capital where the government fled the fighting two weeks ago.

## Serbs blast Gorazde water plant

Bosnian Serb forces, bowing to a NATO ultimatum, retreated on Sunday from Gorazde, blowing up the town's water treatment plant and leaving behind burning houses.

At the same time, the United Nations and NATO resolved differences and determined that air strikes against the Serbs were no longer warranted.

The Serbs now face a deadline that requires them to withdraw their heavy weapons at least 20 kilometers (12.4 miles) from Gorazde by 2:01 a.m. local time Wednesday (6:01 p.m. Tuesday, Mountain time.)

## Clinton's problems follow him to church

President Clinton's troubles followed him to church Sunday. His preacher lamented foreign policy quandaries from the pulpit and protesters called for his impeachment from the curb outside.

The president, sitting near the front with first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, nodded his head as the Rev. J. Phillip Wogaman told the Foundry United Methodist Church congregation to keep Clinton in their prayers.

## Robinson scores 71 in Spurs win

David Robinson scored a season high 71 points as the San Antonio Spurs beat the Los Angeles Clippers 121-97 Sunday. Robinson beat out Shaquille O'Neal with an overall 29.787 points per game, O'Neal dropped in 29.346. O'Neal needed 68 going into his game against the New Jersey Nets, but only got 32.

## Chinese dissident freed to join wife

Hou Xiaotian fought for five years to press China to free her ailing husband, Wang Juntao, a leader of 1989 pro-democracy movement.

Wang was finally released Saturday on medical parole by Chinese authorities in an apparent bid to maintain favorable trade status with the U.S.

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# DO YOU KNOW NOW?

this? Beats me. But they believed it enough to excommunicate Galileo for proposing that it was the earth which orbited the sun, not the other way around. And before Galileo, there was Christopher Columbus. Most of his countrymen thought he was absolutely loony for claiming that the earth was round. It's obvious to us today that his contemporaries came to believe that the earth was flat through some misguided thought process.

How do WE know that OUR knowledge is infallible? Fact or fiction: In the year of 1492, Columbus sailed the ocean blue. You say "fact." I say, "How do you know? What reliable source imparted this

knowledge? A history book? How did the author(s) discover this information? Who told them? Or were they there? And if they were there, how can they

be certain of what they saw? How do we know they're not lying? In November 1963, was there a second gunman

behind the grassy knoll? In July 1969, was Neil Armstrong on the moon or on a Hollywood sound stage? And in 1992, was Bill Clinton really elected President? How can we be sure that some dishonest Democrats weren't tallying the poll results? For all we know,

Lyndon LaRouche may have finally won.

Clearly, asking the question "How do I know what I know?" can lead us on a wild goose chase when it comes to verifying historical data. But though this exercise can seem tedious and trivial at times, it is crucial to formulating our beliefs. For the question "Why do I believe what I believe?" can be asked only after I have arrived at an answer to "How do I know what I know?"

Too often, however, we put the cart before the horse -- or we forget the horse altogether. We validate our opinions without validating our

information. This practice is inexcusable, for it all too easily leads to misjudgment and prejudice. Sometimes -- such as when it is suggested that Rush Limbaugh is the anti-christ -- reliable information cannot be found. There is no means by which either side of the argument can be upheld. There is no way to really

know. What then? I would advise that we refrain from holding opinions that cannot be substantiated.

But even when the facts can be known, where do we turn for reliable information? The Idaho Press Tribune? The Washington Post? The Crusader? Newsweek? NBC Nightly News? PrimeTime Live?

CSPAN? MacNeil-Lehrer Newshour? A Current Affair? Geraldo? The reliability of these sources varies drastically. We must be certain that our facts are reliable, or else we have no business presuming that our conclusions are reliable.

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I would be likewise surprised to find one who knows what the plan entails (beyond universal coverage and employer mandates). And I would even dare to expand this challenge to the entire U.S. population.

Whitewater is perhaps an even more appropriate subject for this conversation, for there are no "experts" to turn to for guidance. There are no knowledgeable sources -- not even the Clintons themselves. And yet we, along

with most politicians and media commentators, discuss our opinions regarding Whitewater excessively, supporting whichever line of speculation best serves our desired outcome. A more prudent course of action, I suggest, would be to wait until Robert Fiske, independent counsel for Whitewater, reports the findings of his investigation. Only then will the facts be solid enough to withstand our interpretations. As a nation, our tendency to cling to ill-founded opinions

projects its irrationality upon most issues -- political, social, religious, etc. -- from the budget deficit to welfare to sex education to entire sanctification. We are a far cry from the "enlightened citizenry" envisioned by Thomas Jefferson. And if we are not enlightened, what right do we have to be opinionated? NONE AT ALL, I say. We have forfeited that right by

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enlightenment impossible to achieve. But this does not alter the equation. Knowledge must still precede opinion. For every subject -- even those for which information is unattainable or unfathomable -- this rule applies: We must not cling to opinions that we cannot rationally defend, lest we develop an unfortunate immunity to weak reasoning. In all honesty, though, I fear that the time for warnings such as this has passed unnoticed. Perhaps we have already arrived at the place in our minds where we are not just immune to our illogic, but akin to it.

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## BASEBALL

# Crusaders trounce Albertson

BY RICK SKEEN  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The baseball team started off strong this past week, picking up an 8-2 non-conference win over the first-place Yotes. The win was only the second for NNC in their last 24 meetings with their cross-county rivals.

However, the week finished on a sour note as the Sadlers lost three conference games this weekend at second-place George Fox. NNC lost 11-7 in the opening game of the series on Friday, before dropping the doubleheader on Saturday 14-2 and 7-2.

Friday's game was the Sadlers' best offensive performance of the weekend as they scored seven runs on 10 hits. Brent Swartzentruber crushed his fourth home run of the season, while Travis Tindall had two doubles and Manny Burciaga picked up one. Joel Nye picked up his second loss of the season in the game.

In the opener of Saturday's twinbill, NNC could manage only two singles to produce two runs. The Sadlers were being no-hit into the sixth until Jason Chan broke up the no-hitter with a single. George Fox scored all 14 of their runs in the second, third, and fourth innings. The Bruins picked up four in the second, three in the third, and seven in the fourth. The Crusaders committed three errors in the game. Mike LaJoices took the loss in the game.

"We made a few little mistakes that cost us big," remarked Swartzentruber.



Freshman Bobby Hood has added depth to NNC's bullpen this season.

"They would get a couple of weak hits and then a guy would step up and hit a home run or a double. We gave up runs in bunches."

NNC's bats were almost as cold in the second game of the doubleheader, while Fox's bats were just as hot. The Crusaders were in the game, trailing 2-1 going to the bottom of the sixth. However, the Bruins tallied five runs in the inning to take control of the game. Swartzentruber's fifth homer of the season and Corey Litsey's double were the only two extra-base hits of the day for NNC, who managed only seven hits in the twinbill. Pitcher Mike Mortimer was tagged with the loss.

Although disappointed with the outcomes of the games, Swartzentruber felt the team played hard. "We didn't

play bad, but that is definitely the best team in the district." He continued, "We just couldn't get any breaks. We would hit the ball hard right at people, and they kept dribbling them in the holes."

NNC, 5-7 in conference play and 12-15 overall will play three conference games against AC of I, who is 11-0 in conference play, this weekend. The Sadlers will play at Caldwell in a single game on Friday, before hosting the Yotes in a doubleheader on Saturday. Last week's non-conference win against Albertsons seems to have the Crusaders thinking confidently.

"We feel like we can take at least two of three from AC of I this weekend," commented Swartzentruber. "We don't think they are as good as their record indicates."



Manny Burciaga waits for his pitch against Western Baptist. The Crusaders swept the series, 3 games to 0.



## NFL DRAFT

# Big Daddy fattens Bengals

BY DAVE McEWEN  
OFF-CAMPUS EDITOR

The National Football League took its first big step toward the 1994-95 season this weekend during the annual NFL draft. Once a year the strategic personnel gurus of each of the league's 28 teams gather to try to out-predict each other and find the perfect player to draft from the college ranks.

That decision wasn't too hard for the Cincinnati Bengals, who took all of 30 seconds to announce that they would go after Dan "Big Daddy" Wilkinson, a Junior Defensive Tackle from Ohio State, already considered the nation's best collegiate pass rusher as an underclassman.

There was considerable talk during the week as to whether or not the Bengals would deal their number one pick to another team such as Bill Parcell's New England Patriots or the rebuilding Seattle Seahawks for a package of picks and veterans. Hopes ran high, but when draft day came, there was little doubt in the minds of the Bengals, who wouldn't even talk to other teams who wanted a deal.

Wilkinson, already projected to be among the top five picks, awed NFL scouts last week when he ran a spectacular 40-yard dash, the test that most scouts use as a final measuring stick to gauge future prospects. Adding the promise of speed to his already huge frame and astounding stats, Wilkinson earned a 9.8 on the ESPN draft scale. Only four players have ever come out of college with a higher number.

Wilkinson is expected to make a big impact on Cincinnati's defensive line, joining with last year's number one pick, John Copeland, to form a competitive line. The trouble that experts are predicting with negotiations with Wilkinson is that the traditionally stingy Bengals front office now has to deal with Wilkinson's top pick financial demands. If the Bengals can sign him, and sign him soon, then he may become the next Cortez Kennedy or Reggie White. If they can't, a long hold out may ruin a bright future.

Another Junior went in the second round to Indianapolis. The Colts took Marshall Faulk, a runningback from San Diego State, to bolster a perennially weak rushing attack. Faulk, a darting, slashing ball-carrier, should have an immediate impact on the offence that finished dead

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*The Bengals, on drafting  
Dan Wilkinson*

last in rushing yardage three years in a row.

The trend of drafting underclassmen continued as juniors dominated the top three picks. Heath Shuler, the first quarterback taken in the draft, was taken by the Ripen-less Redskins as the third overall pick. Washington, always on the lookout for a leader who can hand the ball off to the staple running game and throw the ball deep, found their man in the strong-armed Shuler.

The Patriots, having made it through the 1993 campaign with a rookie quarterback who was last year's number one pick, passed up Fresno State's Trent Dilfer, and instead opted for USC Linebacker/Defensive End Willie McGinnist. Bill Parcells, who is in the midst of rebuilding one of the worst defenses in the league, added a pure pass rusher who will make an immediate impact.

The Rams traded their number five pick to the Indianapolis Colts, who shocked the rest of the league by not going with Dilfer, and instead opting to give the starting QB job to Jim Harbaugh, and draft LB Trev Alberts from Nebraska. The Colts now have standout rookies in the Running Back and Linebacker positions, but will have to try to fill a gaping hole at quarterback through free agency or trading.

A long and glorious tradition of drafting bright young quarterbacks and getting no return on their investment led the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to draft Dilfer, who will hopefully jump into Sam Wyche's system better than multi-million dollar flop-turned Cleveland Brown Vinnie Testaverde.

A Colts to Rams to 49ers trade brought the fifth pick to San Francisco, who needed to trade up to cover a defense that has been decimated in the off season with key veterans taking advantage of free agency to jump to the team with the highest bid for their services. Defensive Tackle Bryant Young should fit into the system right away and start with 1993 defensive rookie of the year Dana Stubblefield.

During the off season, Seattle has become the choice of many veterans looking for a new home. 1993 defensive player of the year Cortez Kennedy and new quarterback Rick Mirer have vaulted this team from an also ran to a possible playoff team. With this in mind, DT/DE Sam Adams from Texas A&M was more than happy to add his 6'4", 300lb frame to an ever improving Seattle pass rush. With Adams adding his pressure to a line that includes All-Pro Kennedy, look for Seattle to have many more sacks this season.

Defense continued to dominate the draft, with Defensive Back Antonio Langham from Alabama going to Cleveland and UCLA's pounding linebacker Jamir Miller now an Arizona Cardinal.

In all, it was a draft that featured defense and youth, with eleven of the players taken in the first round underclassmen. Teams seem to have taken to heart recently the old saying that offense wins games and defense wins championships.

## NFL's Top 20 Draft Picks

1. Dan Wilkinson, dt, Cincinnati
2. Marshall Faulk, rb, Indianapolis
3. Heath Shuler, qb, Washington
4. Willie McGinest, de, New England
5. Trev Alberts, lb, Indianapolis
6. Trent Dilfer, qb, Tampa Bay
7. Bryant Young, dt, San Francisco
8. Sam Adams, dt, Seattle
9. Antonio Langham, db, Cleveland
10. Jamir Miller, lb, Arizona
11. John Thierry, lb, Chicago
12. Aaron Glenn, db, New York Jets
13. Joe Johnson, de, New Orleans
14. Bernard Williams, ot, Philadelphia
15. Wayne Gandy, ot, Los Angeles Rams
16. Aaron Taylor, ot, Green Bay
17. Charles Johnson, wr, Pittsburgh
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## EDITORIALS

## The United States should leave well enough alone

A law is a law is a law. And as United States citizen Michael

Fay still lies awake at night pondering his fate, this very important principle is in danger of total disregard.

Fay, a young man who admitted to vandalizing several cars, stands to be caned in response to his violation of the laws of Singapore. The law is simple and clear, has been in existence for some time, and apparently seems to work for the virtually crime-free country. But now it seems as though America is trying to pull some sort of rank to get one of its more immature citizens out of trouble.

The question we must ask is simple: what would we do if the situation were reversed? If a young gentleman from Singapore entered the United States and spent a couple weeks spray-painting the cars of our citizens, wouldn't we want to see him righteously punished? The obvious disgust which most citizens feel toward cases of "diplomatic immunity" is enough to give a firm answer to that question.

No one has made America the world's judge. While the value of corporal punishment will surely be debated for sometime, it simply should not be the issue in Fay's case. Whether or not caning is the perfect answer to justice, a man broke the law and a man must face the consequences.

### Editor's Note:

For those of you who may not be familiar with the turnover of our newspaper staff, next year's crew will take over the reigns of The Crusader beginning next week. Don't be alarmed when you see Andrew Zirschky's name in the staff box under Opinions Editor.

So as my final act in the last week of 1993-94 Crusader staff service, I would like to unveil a few projects that have been in the works for a while.

In my continuous quest to be more reader-friendly in the Opinions Section, you'll notice no full-page article on the opposite side of this spread. And although some stories need 1200 words to be told, I think that keeping the layout somewhat broken up makes for an easier page to read.

I also invite you to check out the handy-dandy Crusader Rating system now employed on the Review page. As far as technicalities go, I finally found time to work with some fonts and change some templates -- and I hope the result is a quickly accessible idea of the reviewer's overall opinion of the book, movie, etc.

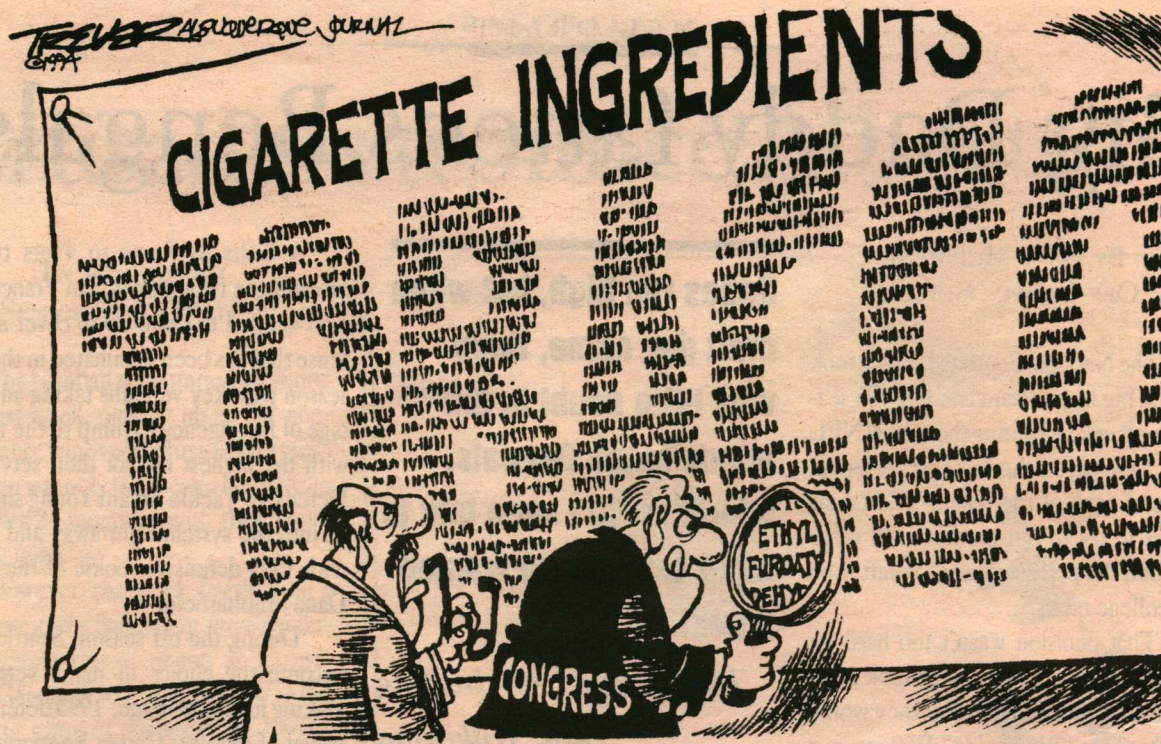
Finally, I would like to introduce a column called TwoViews, featured on page 13. Basically, it consists of short viewpoints on various subjects by writers who disagree with each other. Hopefully it will be the kind of column that will generate some discussion and give you, the reader, a chance to hear the logic of a different opinion. In short, I am not above shamelessly encouraging letters to the editor. And these things done, I pass on the torch.

--Ryan Pitts, 1993-94 Opinions Editor

### editorial policy

The above editorials express the opinions of The Crusader's editorial board: D. M. Bomar, Naomi Brown, Jeff Gunstream, Matt Johnson, Dave McEwen, Tessa Phillips, Ryan Pitts, Kona Lew, and Wendy White. Editorial cartoons reflect the opinions of the artist. Signed articles and letters reflect the opinions of the writer.

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### COMMENTARY

## The danger of comfort zones

ryan pitts

**"Everybody wants to belong. And we are willing to pay the price to belong."**

I recently sat in on a seminar regarding gangs and violence. The city of Nampa brought in an expert on the subject -- a man who used to be a gang leader, but now counsels kids caught up in a vicious cycle he know all too well.

The man's name was Chris Ruiz, and he is an associate professor of Clinical Psychology at Brigham Young University. Obviously Hispanic, the sixty-ish gentleman did not cut an imposing figure. Nothing about him was all that memorable -- except his words.

"You're not going to hear anything new here," Ruiz said.

"Just a different perspective. A dude that's been through it on both sides."

If his message and style can be summed up in a statement, that's it. His presentation was simply a series of stories woven together to provide a glimpse into gang life and gang psychology.

Ruiz said he first joined a gang when he was only 14 years old. He went through the initiation process, worked his way up, and eventually became a leader in charge of 25 others. He was violent, delinquent, and did everything the stereotypical gang member does without regret.

Today, as Ruiz looks back on his wasted teenage years, he finds it easy to see why he was caught up by gang culture and the lifestyle it promised. In his own simple terms:

"Everybody wants to belong. And we are willing to pay the price to belong."

Like he said, nothing that we haven't heard time and time again about kids who join gangs. They do it for the camaraderie, for the sense of "family." Think about it -- even the promise of easy money and lots of power can't completely offset the price of a might short life expectancy. It's much

easier to join a gang without thinking about it than it is to sign on the dotted line after weighing all the options.

I walked away from the seminar with that sociological idea rattling around in my head. It wasn't until I sat down to write this column that I realized the full implications of what Mr. Ruiz had to say. If "everybody" really means everybody, then *we* want to belong and *we* are willing to pay the price.

Even though we might consider ourselves untouchable by the dregs of the human psyche, our actions are based externally far more often than we might like to admit. And while it might be easy to point at 13- and 14-year-old punks and tell them that they need to run their own lives and be their own men, we find it very hard to turn that critical finger back on ourselves.

One thing that gets shoved under the rug far too often is the fact that we are, without a doubt, human beings. Our bodies are made of the same stuff as the bodies of those little gangsta's we look down our noses at. We feel the same basic needs as they do, and above all, we operate under the same systems as all human beings do.

If you haven't started already, let me ask a few questions for you: Why do we do the things *we* do? Why do we go to one church instead of another? Why do we associate only with some people and shun others? What do we consider when we choose our college, our major, and our future?

Our human need to belong is a powerful one. Most of us said "no" every time our parents asked that question about jumping off a bridge, but how many of us have lined up like lemmings if we really care to be honest about things?

Comfort zones are ironic things -- to some they bring death, to others they just deny life.



**Ask Mr. Biz**



ARE YOU CONFUSED BY TERMS SUCH AS "DOWNSIZING," "RIGHT-SIZING" OR "AGGRESSIVE RESTRUCTURING?"

HEY, IT'S EASY TO EXPLAIN!

"YOU TAKE THE WORK OF TWO PEOPLE..."



"... AND GIVE IT TO ONE!"



I'M GONNA BE HOME LATE AGAIN, HONEY.



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OPINIONS

# Rush Limbaugh: Man or moron?

BY JOHN FRALEY  
STAFF WRITER

**twoviews**

BY MASON VAIL  
STAFF WRITER

When it comes to politics, I'm no liberal. In fact, I was just as disappointed as the next Republican when a seemingly amoral Democrat was voted into the White House a year and a half ago. But something very wrong has happened in the conservative camp. As a defeated right prepares itself clumsily for the next election, an aggressive spokesman has claimed the spotlight.

This brash attention-seeker likes to present himself as a bastion of truth, common sense, and the American Way. As much as those titles please him, Rush Limbaugh is none of the above.

Get this—I used to like the guy. I read his first book avidly and was made drunk with refreshing ideas. I followed his TV show regularly. In my mind, this new genius was just a small notch below God.

So what happened? I started to listen more carefully, with an open mind. And what I saw was no savior of American ideals—what I saw was a loud-mouthed, crude, egotistical individual who simply cannot see beyond his own nose. He will do anything to attract attention, and I do mean anything. He once insulted Clinton's daughter Chelsea on the air, calling her "ugly". Why? Because her father's a Democrat? Real good reason. More recently, he laughed at Kurt Cobain's survivors because the liberal media had set forth Cobain as an example of today's youth, a characterization Rush resented. Maybe I don't want to be put in the same category as the free-living (to be polite) late Nirvana lead singer, but even as a moderate Republican, I certainly don't want to be identified with Limbaugh either.

Do you see what I'm getting at? No sane conservative should want an insensitive human being as his/her spokesman. Rush is doing more harm than good to right-wingers. They should rebuke him; after all, he's not a conservative, he's a controversialist who is enamored with his own success.

## Political commentator/entertainer Rush Limbaugh personally provides fuel for debate

loves. He knows that most people rely on TV and newspapers for their information on notable events and as a result, they are apt to believe what they are told without question. Rush strives in every radio broadcast and TV show to point out what the media does not and show the implications these facts have on life in the United States. Often times, these implications are much bigger than the media leads people to believe. Rush deals primarily with the value of a conservative viewpoint and the necessity of retaining traditional and biblical beliefs. He feels himself, and tries to show his listeners, that the trends taking place in the country are dangerous to the well being of the United States.

He is constantly attacked for his tactics in presenting his ideas. This is quite understandable. It is true that he never does anything halfway. I do not always approve of his tactics but I can't remember ever disagreeing with his intent. He does not pull punches because he is so intent on making his point. Rush has a pretty big task to tackle. He is at the forefront of a small movement trying to counter a big movement and as a result, he is forced to make a big noise. Therefore, I dislike the fact that Rush receives a great deal of criticism from other conservatives. Rather than batter the champion of the conservative way, I feel that it would be better to support anyone who actually has the guts to stand up and shout, "The things that are going on are wrong and must be dealt with!" Rush may not be everyone's idea of a nice guy, but that's not his job. His job is to alert the public to the dangers around them. I say more power to him.

In a time when Howard Stern and a wealth of other D.J.'s (Disgusting Jerks) run rampant on the nation's airwaves, there must also exist a champion of traditional conservative values in the media. Enter Rush Limbaugh.

Rush is an all-American guy who has dedicated his life to counteracting the trends which threaten the country he

LETTERS

## Kudos to The Crusader Staff

Dear Editor:

I have become a **yourviews** rabid fan of a gang of students who publish The Crusader, fast becoming the student publication among Nazarene colleges and universities most likely to be read from cover to cover. Even the dull, hackneyed reprints of the current new items from the national press sometimes have an editorial spark from the writers (some showing they have done their homework).

I feel that I have some room for evaluating a Nazarene college student newspaper, since I used to struggle in helping to produce the small print which we students at Bethany-Peniel College in the years 1930 to 1936 often splashed across four pages -- hopefully trying to irritate the faculty, local townspeople, and the board of trustees. Our paper was titled The Revelle Echo -- nothing brash like The Crusader.

The difference is that the faculties, townspeople, and members of the board of trustees now-a-days are a different breed and are not about to lash out at the impetuous youth. Not that such illustrious leaders wouldn't like to censor slightly some of the over-emphasis that Crusader neophytes are fascinated with regarding such modern utilitarian mechanisms called condoms.

But faculties, trustees, and townspeople all know about such devices, and furthermore, accept the Nazarene sponsored study recently which shows that Nazarene youth rank right in there with other college age kids -- showing that about 40% of "our young and the restless" state that they have participated in pre-marital sex activities.

So what is new? Such studies just take away the desire of the elders of the church to get too angry at the mention of condoms.

In the meantime, the staff of The Crusader seems to write about anything that comes up in a young Nazarene's mind. Even though much of the paper is obviously an exercise in getting some experience under the belts of students who just might someday bring about some changes in Nazarene culture, The Crusader is definitely one that Nazarenes everywhere should read to know that the present generation of college kids are "on the way." Where? Toward the future that they obviously welcome.

Theology among the young is not too interesting. Words like sanctification, the old man, and other relics of the past have gone the way of the church manual and John Wesley. Gone, but not forgotten among some faculty members, townspeople, and most college trustees.

It's refreshing for an old iconoclast like me to wake up each week to see what the kids are thinking. It is nice to see names like Dan Freeborn, Jeff Gunstream, Erin Schmelzenbach, et. al., all of whose Nazarene background rings out with parents and grandparents whom I have known and loved.

--BUD CAMFIELD

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printed in the order they are received as space allows. Please keep your letters concise to avoid irritating various editorial staff members. Also keep in mind that libelous, slanderous, outright obscene, or downright cheesy material will not be printed. Form letters and complaints about local businesses won't be printed either.

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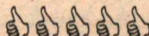
## reviews

## FESTIVAL

*Eye-bulging, lung-popping, gut-busting animation magic***Tournee of Animation**

The Flicks  
342-4222  
5:00, 7:00, 9:00

Reviewed by  
Matt Johnson

**Crusader Rating**

Raisins), to independent works of art created in small underground art studios around the world. Now to educate you, the movie displays almost every form of animation. From stop-action puppets to computer generated designs, your mind will surely boggle and ask "how did they do that?" For those silly enough to think that animation is limited to "Looney Tunes", this movie will certainly make you reconsider. For those who do know better -- it will inspire.

One vital stereotype that this experience will also destroy is that animation is merely funny stuff to entertain the kids. Some of the work is pure mind-provoking drama, and filled with more symbolism than a Fitzgerald novel. Other works are angry and carry a more political or critical tone. The artwork is often introspective if not vague -- so don't go expecting Bugs Bunny to explain everything for you in simple plotlines. Not only is some of the work presented vaguely, some are actually in foreign languages and others are strictly soundtrack. Fortunately, the power behind the imagery has a way of communicating even unspoken ideas.

Highlights of the film include the animated video for George Thorogood's "Get a Haircut and Get a Real Job" (I have no idea why Tool's "Sober" didn't make it), a fantastic and hilarious beat-nikesque piece, a delightful work reminiscent of Tim Burton's "Nightmare Before Christmas" entitled "The Sandman," and Will Vinton's usual (but never dull) barrage. Vinton, the king of stop-motion, easily dominates a solid quarter of the film with a variety of award-winning works developed in the past year. Anticipate the twisted but highly entertaining adventures of "Transistor Man."

The Tournee only comes once a year, so don't miss it.

Once a year, I'm reminded that the movie-going experience isn't limited to having to sit through a movie complete with plot, actors, subplots, cameos, and happy endings.

It's that time of year again, thanks to the release of the award-winning animation "shorts" (as they are called in the animation business), judged in this year's tournee. As usual, the experience is a visual overload and may induce headaches for the optically inexperienced due to the numerous adrenaline surges and retinal dilations your body will produce.

And that's just the beginning.

Now, as a well-versed critic, let me say that this experience will NOT make you into an automatic animation buff. You may (much to your annoyance) encounter several people there (at the theater) who will assume that they are. Don't worry, during the film you will forget they exist. I did.

As stated, the 24th Tournee of Animation is actually a series of animation short films -- the subject matter ranges from animated commercials (California



## CENTER

*Recreation center is both pride of Nampa and envy of Boise.*

**Nampa  
Recreation  
Center**  
12th Ave. S.

Reviewed by  
Ryan Pitts

**Crusader Rating**

and stairmaster machines are located in a balcony-style area so those addicted to pain can watch other people have fun playing basketball. An indoor track also circles the upper floor so incorrigible joggers can run in any kind of weather.

Although I didn't get to see them, I understand that the center also holds several racquetball courts, a climbing wall, and a large sauna. And if a patron gets a little too winded, a nicely stocked food service area provides some tables, a patio, and a nice break from all the sweat.

Although the \$250 yearly membership price puts regular use of the Nampa Recreation Center beyond most college students' budgets, single-day passes are also available. For anyone that cares about making their body beautiful, or anyone that just likes to shoot some hoops and swim some laps, the pride of Nampa puts it all under one roof.

The new Nampa Recreation Center has definitely become the pride of the "Golden Oasis," and even people from Boise are already clamoring at its doors.

The grand opening of the Center actually happened yesterday, but the building was open to the public on Saturday for the 1994 Mercy Medical Center Community Sale. And I think it was safe to say that anybody there for Saturday's event couldn't help being overwhelmed by the complex they visited.

The floor plan is striking -- the Center's design is very clean and open. The lobby moves directly a central path that leads past the major areas in the building. To the left is probably the biggest area in the complex, a gym floor with three full-length basketball courts. On the right is a huge plate-glass wall looking in on a pool area complete with every size pool imaginable. For those inclined to buff themselves up, the well-stocked weight room is directly off the gym floor.

Most of the rest of the exercise equipment is located on the complex's second floor. Rows and rows of exercise bikes

◀ **The 24th International  
Tournee of Animation is  
playing now at the Flicks  
in Boise.**

## MUSICAL

*"Aladdin" -- Skip the musical, get your parents to rent the movie*

This past Friday evening, my girlfriend and I received from a friend a pair of complementary tickets to see "Aladdin" at the Nampa Civic Center. All I had heard at the time about the musical was that it was a "spunky, fun show."

It was spunky, all right.

The glowing headbands on all the preadolescents with short attention spans and crying little sisters lit the way as Erin and I crawled over at least ten distraught fathers trying unsuccessfully to keep their children from chewing up the programs.

My first impulse upon hearing the sappy, cheesy overture was to think to myself, "Gosh, this is candy coated crud."

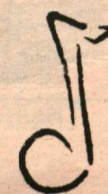
Honestly, the only saving grace of this Barbi meets the Power Rangers is the fact that it is only a little more than one hour long. A timeframe that would work if the tickets are free, but nowhere near acceptable for the seven bucks a pop that my friend paid for them.

This stage version of the original Sir Richard Burton story was such a sub par offering when compared to the recent animated movie that I really do not see the logic in its current release. The music, the plot, the acting was all so much inferior to Disney that I heard five and six year old children complaining to their parents at the end of the show.

Granted, this was a production geared toward those faithful patrons of the arts that stand under four feet six -- but the skimpy plot and repetitive tunes weren't even enough to keep the attention of the audience for more than the first fifteen minutes.

Something that jumped out at me right away was the fact that when the actors on stage lapsed into song, suspicious sounds were heard from the back up tape (yes, a tape. Not even a piano player for that "real music" sound.) These sounds proved to be taped voices singing along with the actors. Apparently, those producing the play thought that their castings for Aladdin and his sister (sister?) were not strong enough singers to project over the intense snoring of the crowd, so they decided to boost the volume by playing a tape of prerecorded voices. Needless to say it sounded terrible.

So, if anyone out there over the age of nine is reading, don't bother to attend "Aladdin" at the Civic center, it is far below your appreciation level, I hope. But if anyone young enough to care and old enough to sit up is reading -- Get your parents to rent the movie, it won't insult your intelligence.



**Aladdin: A  
Musical**  
Nampa Civic Center

Reviewed by  
Dave McEwen

**Crusader Rating**



COMICS

**Calvin and Hobbes**  
by WATERSH

GET UP, CALVIN! I'M NOT GOING TO CALL YOU AGAIN!

I BET.  
...

YOU'RE GOING TO MISS THE BUS! NOW GET OUT OF BED!

YOU DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER? THEN SIT DOWN.

Hey, Twinky, want to see if there's an afterlife?

NO, YOU CAN'T GO PLAY UNTIL YOU FINISH YOUR HOMEWORK.

JUST EAT YOUR FOOD. YOU DON'T NEED TO PLAY WITH IT.

STOP STALLING AND GET IN THE BATHTUB.

NO, YOU CAN'T STAY UP A LITTLE LONGER. GO TO BED.

HAVE A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP. TOMORROW'S ANOTHER BIG DAY!

...SIGHHHHHH...

**Oz**  
by Berkeley Breathed

OH IT'S ALL COMING BACK IN A RUSH...

THE LONG BOOZY NIGHTS WHEN I WAS 14 MONTHS OLD... HOW YOU FILLED MY BOTTLE WITH HARVEY WALLBANGERS...

...TRIGGERED BY A RECENT EMOTIONAL TRAUMA, DON'T YA THINK, DAD?

YOUR ALLOWANCE IS STILL CANCELLED.

I REALLY MUST ALERT GERALDO AND THE POLICE.

...THE SATANIC RITUALS AT AGE FOUR!... YOU... YOU PUT A GOAT'S HEAD ON ME WHILE YOUR POKER BUDDIES DANCED AROUND NAKED IN THE LIVING ROOM!



LIST

**topten**

Top Ten Things That NNC Men Are Looking For In A Potential Mate

10. Doesn't mind when you forget your monthly anniversary.
9. Is immune to all orally communicable diseases.
8. Thinks the "Naked Gun" movie series is "stinkin' hilarious."
7. Laughs when you belch.
6. Doesn't feel self-conscious about making out in dorm lobbies.
5. Can get ready in five minutes.
4. Cooks like mom, looks like your sister.
3. Will play NBA Jam with you, but won't beat you.
2. Talks like she is on Helium, acts like she is on Lithium.
1. Already owns an engagement ring.

ILL-CONCEIVED BY MATT JOHNSON, RYAN PITTS, AND JOHN NORDSTROM

**THE FAR SIDE**

By GARY LARSON



"Hey! You! ... Yeah, you! I ain't gonna tell you again to quit spittin' on me!"

CALENDAR

**Wednesday 27**

Chapel with Gene Schandorff  
10:15 am, College Church

Time Out  
6:30 pm, Student Center Lounge

Class Speeches & Elections  
(Polls will be open at Lunch & Dinner in Student Center, 11-1:00 pm in Wiley)

**Thursday 28**

Housing Information Meeting  
10:15 am, Science Lecture Hall  
(Housing Applications available in Student Development)

**Friday 29**

Chapel with TBA  
10:15 am, College Church

(Run-off elections will be held on both Fri. 29 & Mon. 2)

**Saturday 30**

Chess Tournament  
9:30 am, SC 002

**Sunday 1**

"City of Angels"  
IJA Productions presents the six time Tony Award winner in 1990, "City of Angels", written by Larry Gelbart.  
8:00 pm, Morrison Center  
Tickets: \$35, \$33, and \$29 at Select-A-Seat.

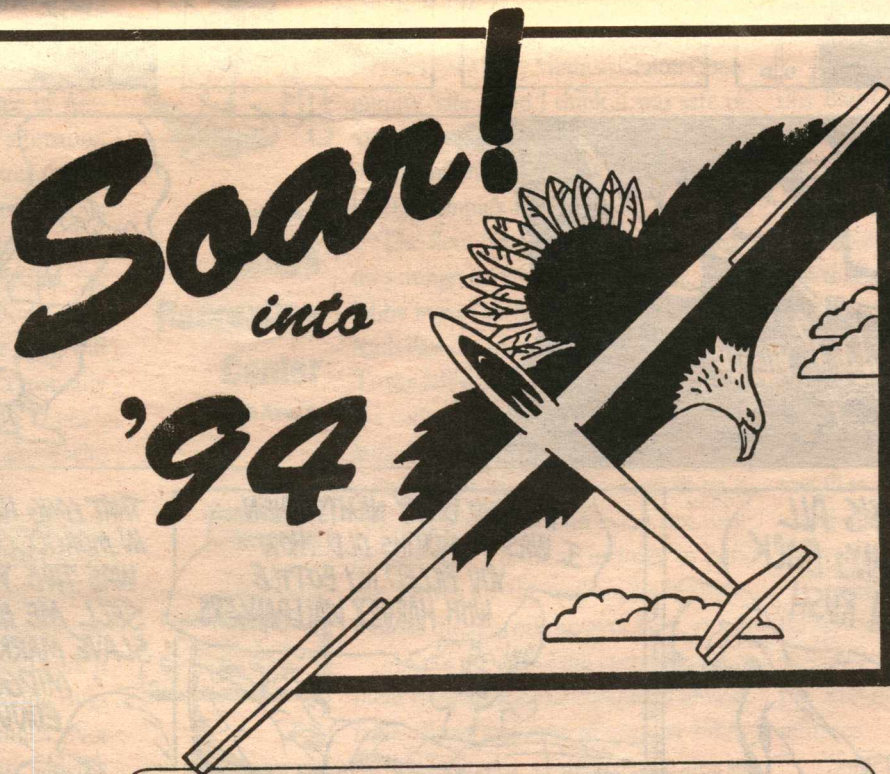
**Monday 2**

Chapel, Changing of the Guard  
10:15 am, (Gym)

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