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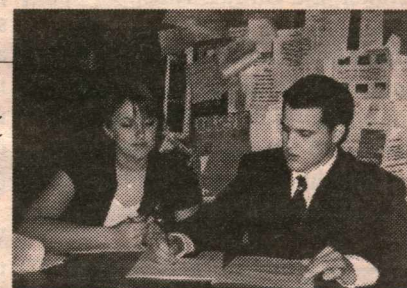
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Column One

Week Three: It's one in the morning and half the paper is done. The snow is falling outside leaving the ground a glistening white.

[Hours later...] A thick blanket is covering everything. The trees, stark skeletons of their once lush forms. Sometimes I wish winter would actually come. That meters of snow would stack up on the fields of grass. Where sidewalks would become the only reasonable means of getting across campus by foot. Little tunnels of traffic, crowded now as the virgin snow lies in wait for spring. Whorefrost igniting the soul as the morning fog lifts. A glimpse of sun, the spirit soars.

Other times, I delight in the fact we don't have to trudge around in a ton of clothes, booties and tuques. Brown grass underfoot gives way to muddy pathways. Short-sleeved shirts instead of sweaters and warm fleeces.

It's been hard to adjust the last few years to the temperate climate of Nampa. I just wish it would actually do something rather than be perpetually mediocre. Give me a good old-fashioned winter that freezes your nose in two seconds flat or give me a spring full of new life, sound and hope. Rest comfortably this week.

Shawn Shafer
Editor

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Forensics trip leads to Nationals

Students in Forensics qualify for nationals.

by Rebecca Miller

Crusader Staff Writer

Speech and debate filled the air as the forensics team traveled to Salt Lake City to participate in a tournament. The trip went through the weekend of January 16 and 17. There were six NNC students taking part in this event: Angie Bradburn, Jill Moseley, Heidi Wybenga, Kadee Wirick, Ken Tennyson and Adrian Anderton. The team was led and coached by professors Brooke Ferdinand and adjunct Dr. Vanderpool, who also acted as judges at the event.

The tournament, called the Great Salt Lake Tournament, was attended by 31 schools. "It was a big meet," said Bradburn. "There were a lot of different schools that were more diverse than usual." These included such large "top" schools as Pepperdine, Berkeley and Arizona State. There were only three or four private schools. Added Bradburn, "I loved watching the people from other colleges, particularly Arizona State; they were very good."

The competition was at both the junior and senior level, so our students were competing with those at their own level and higher. The debate team, including Wybenga, Tennyson and Anderton, won fourth place in par-



The debate team that competed this weekend are, from left to right, Adrian Anderton, Ken Tennyson, Jill Moseley, Angie Bradburn, coach Brooke Ferdinand, Heidi Wybenga and Kadee Wirick.

liamentary debate at the junior level. There were several other events that were participated in, including extemporaneous and impromptu speaking and interpretation of literature. Wirick, who won three awards, was qualified for the Nationals because of this tournament. "That was exciting," she commented.

Forensics is a learning process in both speaking and preparation. Tennyson commented, "My favorite part of debate is strategy; anticipating the other person's arguments and learning to argue powerfully from either side of an issue." Coach Ferdinand explained,

"Forensics is the only competition that is also educational. The students research current affairs, engage in critical thinking, and investigate the meanings of literature." It has been a good experience for Moseley who began participating her sophomore year at the encouragement of a friend. "I wanted to learn how to speak in front of people," she said, "and I have learned a lot."

The tournaments are also a good opportunity for friendship. "We have some great team members," said Wirick. Bradburn also enjoyed the chance to get to know more people from other universi-

ties. Ferdinand commented on still another benefit: "The tournaments give us the opportunity to represent NNC and, more than that, Christ. We do this through sharing where we are when people ask us about NNC, and also through being quiet witnesses." The next tournament will be at Whitman College in February. Five NNC students have qualified for the Pi Kappa Delta Nationals: Melissa Rasmussen, Tennyson, Wirick, Wybenga and Jim Everist. Although Everist will not be able to attend, the other four students will be preparing for that event, which takes place in March.

Distance learning for business

by Cara Heffner

Crusader Staff Writer

The NNC business department has made some recent improvements in their teaching resources. They have begun to teach a computer applications course by two way interactive video. This allows students to receive instruction from professors off NNC campus.

Two professors from Mount Vernon Nazarene College teach the course: Jeff Lineman and Tim Chesnut. They communicate with the class via two way interactive video and telephone. Students receive and turn in assignments through e-mail.

Last year the class was taught by an adjunct, but this year all the

business professors had a full class schedule. Business department Chairman Ron Galloway and Scott Homan, proctor of the course, decided to use the MBA program's equipment to bring in experienced instructors to teach the class. "It's pushing the extreme in class content and it gives our students exposure to new faculty and new technologies," said Homan.

"I think this class will be a good experience for me. Not only am I learning about technology, but I am being taught through it as well," said student Megan Selby.

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by Kara Lyons

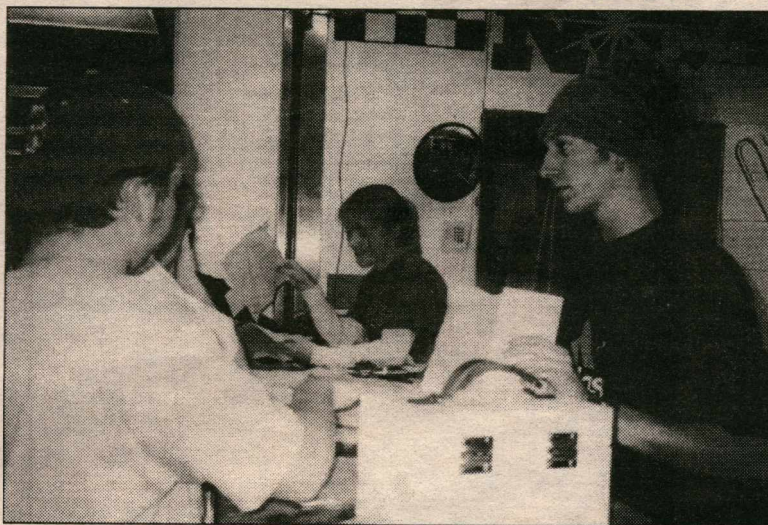
Crusader Staff Writer

Hundreds of pink paper airplanes fly through the air as individuals in the audience hold their breath, hoping for their plane to land on a big bull's eye in the middle of the basketball court. This is not an average half-time activity, but such was the scene Friday night at the Montgomery Field House.

Spectators at the Crusader basketball game were presented with a unique opportunity. For a dollar, they could buy a pink piece of paper with the Uniglobe logo. By just writing their names on the paper and making the best paper airplane they could, they had a chance to win one of many prizes that were laying out on the court. Going up to the balcony railing, participants aimed their planes at a spot on the court, hoping for some luck. Every envelope spread across the gym floor represented a prize donated by some Treasure Valley business. With the possibility of winning a round-trip airplane ticket, a two-night stay in a motel, and many other valuable prizes, who wouldn't try?

Everyone's attention was focused on the big bull's eye at center court. If a plane landed on it, the dollar spent on the paper would quickly transform into a round-trip plane ticket.

The lucky winner of the plane



Freshmen Monica Olson and Scot Mortimer help gather prize winners in the plane toss during half time of the basketball game on Friday night.

ticket was Tim Benedick, an NNC alum. But for those who had their hearts set on winning that prize, he declared, "I didn't even throw the plane. I take no responsibility!"

The crowd in the gymnasium Friday night was relatively small. Conflicts with other events and the cold, rainy weather kept many Crusader fans away. Lisa Litsey, an adviser for the freshman class council, said, "It was one of the smallest crowds we've ever had, but we made more than \$250, which is really good."

Since returning from Christmas break, the freshman class council has been working to secure donations from many local busi-

nesses. These donations of products and services were used as prizes for the plane toss. The grand prize was generously donated by Uniglobe Travel. Sleep Inn donated a two-night stay in their hotel. Pizzas, shampoos, a framed picture, a t-shirt, film development and gift certificates to restaurants were also donated. The community was very generous and eager to donate to a fundraiser that would benefit a very worthy cause, the March of Dimes.

Sarah Hughes, a freshman senator, summed up the feelings of the rest of the council saying, "It was a lot of hard work, but it was worth it." Freshman publicity director Maren Larsen com-

mented, "It was for a good cause."

The March of Dimes is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the health of babies. It was established in 1938 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to put an end to polio. This was accomplished in less than twenty years. After this great victory, the March of Dimes turned its attention to conquering the largest killer andcrippler of children, birth defects. One of the ten largest voluntary health agencies in the country, they lead the campaign for healthier babies through their research and health programs.

Within the next several weeks there will be other fund-raisers put on by the freshman class to benefit the March of Dimes. All of the proceeds received will go directly to the charity. The two upcoming fund-raisers are the highly-acclaimed Mr. NNC competition and the Wing Challenge.

The Mr. NNC competition will take place February 6th after the women's basketball game. Those who have seen this beauty pageant farce for men can vouch for it's hilarity. The reigning Mr. NNC, Dave Cowles, will be master of ceremonies with a co-host of his choice. Tickets for this fun event will be available soon. The third fundraiser for the March of Dimes is the Wing Challenge. Watch for opportunities to prove your wing's superiority.

Security Issues

Security has always been an important issue to be aware of on the NNC campus. It is good to be reminded of the necessity for awareness. Although security issues are essentially the same as they have been in the past, it is important to remember what to look out for. Neil Weaver, director of security, mentioned a few of the most important problems to be aware of. The biggest problem is vehicle theft. Remember to keep your car doors locked, and do not leave valuables in them. Other problems are with students leaving dorm rooms unlocked, and keeping money or valuables lying around in them. This is asking for trouble. It is also wise to walk with someone else at night. The escort service is there for a reason, so make use of it.

"Overall," commented Weaver, "keep an eye out and be aware of your surroundings. Give security a call if you have concerns on any issue, so that we can know what's going on and keep an eye on the situation." Reporting procedures for non-crisis should begin with the director of security. Weaver commented that although we have not had any major concerns lately, it is always important to keep aware of safety issues and protect yourself and others. If you have concerns or issues, call security at 8550 or call CAN.ADA Security at 454-9198.

Senate Notes

In Senate this week, there was a second reading of a bill for purchasing a Publications printer. Since there is not much money in the budget right now, there was a motion to table the bill until the first week in third term. The motion passed. There was also a second reading of an bill which would repair ASNNC sound equipment. Senator Peterson made a motion to accept the bill. Senator Griffith seconded. The third bill to be discussed was for the Brick House espresso machine. Senator Griffith made a motion to accept the bill. Senator Galloway seconded. The motion passed.

In new business, there was a first reading of a bill for transferring \$350 to the Chemistry Club for the American Chemistry Society Conference. President Field commented that ASNNC does not have a long history of paying for the fees and travel expenses, although Senator John argued that they have.

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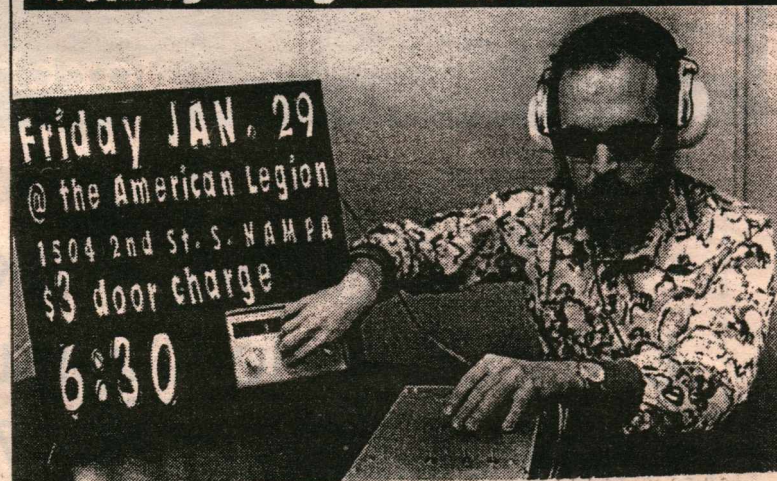
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New information on calcium

by Mindy Oldenkamp
World News Staff Writer

During the past four years, Dr. John A. Baron of Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, New Hampshire, along with a team of investigators, has been following the progress and development of a group of 800 people who had all received the same procedure to have a polyp removed from their colons. A polyp is an abnormal growth that occurs in the colon and is most often benign. However, it does have the potential to become malignant, and polyps are usually removed to prevent the development of cancer.

As a part of the study, the patients were given two colonoscopies--a procedure where doctors use a long, lit instrument to examine the lining of the large intestine, one of the areas where polyps are often found. Between the first colonoscopy and the second, the patients were given either a placebo pill or a dose of 600

milligrams of calcium twice daily. Of the group that received the placebo, 38% developed a second polyp, while only 31% of those that received the calcium dosage developed another polyp.

Although the difference in numbers is small, it is noteworthy. Baron and his colleagues are not completely sure how the calcium effects polyp growth, but they do believe it holds some effect on the bile acids of the intestines, thereby causing a change in the development of polyps. Dr. Robert C. Kurtz of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, agrees that the discovery is a minimal one, but taking a calcium supplement is a benefit to other health needs as well, and adds one more piece to the puzzle of colorectal-cancer.

Cancers of the rectum and colon claim roughly 56,500 Americans each year and account for 10% of all deaths in the nation. When detected at an early stage, the cancers are treatable and a patient maintains a 90% chance of survival. However, the American Cancer Society strongly upholds the fact that women are to continue to have regular colon screenings beginning at age 50.

Putting an end to smuggling

by Jeremy Smith
World News Staff Writer

INDIANAPOLIS, MN - Dean Wildauer knows it's out there. Dangling a cigarette out the window of his Indiana State Police cruiser, the trooper squints at the traffic roaring eastbound on Interstate 70 through a light rain. Oh yeah, he says. It's out there.

It could be stashed in duffle bags in the back of that rented Lexus. Or maybe tucked inside the side panels of that minivan. It could be taped inside the tires of a new car on that car carrier or hidden in a washing machine in that moving van.

Indiana is carved by Interstates 65, 70 and 80, earning it the title "Crossroads of America." While it's a charming label if you are touring the Midwest, it's a harsh reality if you're trying to stop drug traffic. In 1919, when a young soldier named Dwight D. Eisenhower first thought up the idea of an interstate highway system, he envisioned broad "ribbons across the land," allowing for faster travel and military deploy-

ment. Today, Wildauer and cops like him all over the country see the interstates as 24-hour pipelines that supply illegal drugs to rural high schools and big-city streets.

State troopers and southwest border agents assigned to stop the flow coordinate their efforts through Operation Pipeline, a federal Drug Enforcement Administration program active in every state.

Its hub is the El Paso Intelligence Center (EPIC), a one-story brick building on the north end of Biggs Army Airfield in El Paso, Texas, where more than 250 state and federal law enforcement officials track smugglers, scan criminal databases to link cases and provide 24-hour intelligence to officers in the field.

Since 1990, authorities have pulled more than 1.5 million pounds of marijuana and more than 207,000 pounds of cocaine off U.S. highways and interstates, according to the DEA. That includes more than 170,000 pounds of marijuana and more than 19,000 pounds of cocaine in the first eight months of 1998.

Still, state and federal officials estimate, nine out of ten drug shipments on the interstate highways get through.

"Hauling dope, it has no race, it has no religion," Wildauer says. "Age doesn't matter. I've locked up a grandmother and her grandkids for hauling marijuana."

The illegal drug business pays its drivers so well, authorities say, that most will go to jail rather than inform on higher-ups. The going rate for transporting marijuana is around \$100 per pound, with loads ranging anywhere from a couple pounds to several hundred.

This doesn't make Ordenez give up. "Every 100 pounds of pot I catch is another 100 pounds that won't wind up in some high school somewhere," he says as another big truck pulls up to his booth. "And I know how to find the dope."

"Unfortunately," Jones said, "an awful lot of people probably get through with dope and are laughing at us from somewhere."

"We're a band-aid over a bullet wound," he said. "We may slow the bleeding, but won't stop it."

Cyber Activists seek web protection

by Ryan Dooley
Crusader Asst. World News Editor

Cyber-activism goes back almost as far back as the Internet itself. The rise of the Internet in the developing world, even in countries ruled by repressive regimes, has given activists an increasingly valuable lifeline to supporters around the world. On Friday at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the human rights dimension of the Internet began to talk about how they, the activists were going to proceed with "human rights" on the internet.

"Human rights groups are relying more and more to speak out, document and draw the world's attention to human rights violations," said Stephen Hansen of AAAS' Directorate for Science and Policy Programs.

There are now some governments that are finding ways to eavesdrop on the Internet, just as they monitor mail and phone communications. You need not look any further than the case of Web designer Lin Hai, who China sentenced Wednesday to two years in prison for exchanging thousands of e-mail addresses with a U.S.-based dissident publication.

In cooperation with the Digital Freedom Network, the AAAS mounted a Web-based e-mail campaign calling for Lin's release, but to no avail.

Similar cases such as this have been reported in other countries such as Turkey, Bahrain and Indonesia.

"Live chatting on the Internet can lend itself to eavesdropping"
~Stephen Hansen

"Messages can be intercepted. Creators of Web sites can be labeled as subversive and arrested, as we have just seen in China. Live chatting on the Internet can lend itself to eavesdropping, with the identity and location of the participant easily discovered," said Hansen.

Among these strategies, Hansen and others said were being used to circumvent government snoops: Web-based e-mail accounts, which can't easily be traced back to the individual user; Anonymous re-mailers, which pass along e-mail messages while concealing the identity of the sender. Proxy servers that let Web surfers access sites without leaving an identifying trail; One-to-one In-

ternet Relay Chat sessions, which provide more confidentiality than group chats; A rotating pool of Internet Protocol addresses for Web servers, which would allow access to blocked software; Steganography, a coding technique that can hide data within seemingly innocuous files such as

a scanned image or audio clip and strong cryptography. Several experts have said encryption

was the most effective, and most controversial way to protect data from prying eyes.

Patrick Ball, a man who worked on the activist program in Guatemala says, "Some said they thought strong cryptography saved the lives of their witnesses."

Most are saying that even crypto isn't the ultimate solution, however. For one thing, it's still against the law in the U.S. to export encryption products stronger than the 56-bit standard, although the international availability of stronger software is rendering such restrictions moot. The same tools that make the Net safe for pro-democracy dissidents also are

used by computer break-in artists, pornographers, slanderers and other evildoers, said Philip Reiting, senior counsel for the U.S. Justice Department's computer crime and intellectual property section.

Some governments have resulted to simply making it illegal to use encryption. This then allows the official snoops a clearer pretext for arresting the sender or recipient.

"They can always take the person and hang them upside down until he tells them what's in the message, because you see an encrypted message, you know it's encrypted and you can see there's something going on," said Eric Goldstein of Human Rights Watch.

"It looks like the Tunisians studied everything that cyber-liberties groups had been saying, and then did the opposite," Goldstein said.

He then stated that once governments open the way for Internet access, they cannot stop the eventual flow of "objectionable" information online. The most they can do is buy time to make the adjustment to a more pluralistic information era.

"Most experts give the long-term edge to users, not governments," he ended.

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Earthquake tremors felt in Colombia—as many as 250 feared dead

by Jeremy Smith

World News Staff Writer

Bogota, Colombia - A devastating earthquake killed at least 250 people and injured nearly 1,000 when it ripped through Colombia's central coffee-growing region Monday, collapsing buildings and triggering landslides, said Alberto Parra, head of Colombia's Civil Defense network, "We're overwhelmed by the magnitude of this earthquake."

Television footage showed people crushed under the rubble of collapsed buildings and other people, some with tears in their eyes, struggling to pull survivors from the wreckage of concrete and twisted metal in Armenia, a Quindio province.

The National Seismological Institute said the quake, which struck at 1:19 P.M. ET on January 25, measured 6.0 on the Richter scale.

President Andres Pastrana had been due to attend a World Bank meeting in Munich set for Tuesday, but broke off that leg of a high-profile European trip to fly to Pereira, in central Risaralda province, the heart of the disaster zone to visit with his people.

City officials declared a dusk-to-dawn curfew in Pereira and Armenia to allow rescue teams to work unhampered.

Authorities were also reported to have cut off power supplies in both cities, fearing that electricity could spark fires in damaged buildings.

Citing unnamed local hospital authorities, leading TV broadcaster Yamid Amat, anchorman of the Caracol television network, said as many as 250 people had died and more than 1,000 were left homeless. There was no official confirmation of that estimate.

Red Cross chief Luis Beleno would only confirm 64 deaths and upwards of 600 injured.

The worst-hit town was Armenia with at least 50 fatalities and more than 200 people hurt, although all of Colombia is feeling the repercussions of the quake.

It was the worst earthquake to strike Colombia since the one that struck the city of Popayan, in southwest Cauca province in 1983 killing more than 300 people.

Reckless driving is out of control

by Jeremy Smith

World News Staff Writer

WASHINGTON D.C. - Sixty percent of American drivers think speeding by others is a threat to their personal safety, yet also admit to some risky road behavior of their own, according to a government survey released Friday. Thirty percent reported entering an intersection within the previous week just as the stoplight was turning red. A quarter reported not completely stopping at a stop sign. Twenty-three percent said they had driven more than ten mph over the speed limit on an interstate in the previous week.

The survey was the first comprehensive look by the government at speeding and unsafe driving conditions. It was released at the start of a two-day symposium on aggressive driving. Its findings prompted top transportation officials to declare their commitment to a more strict enforcement of the nation's laws concerning driving.

Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater told the symposium, "No longer can these offenders expect a slap on the wrist. There will be serious judicial consequences for their actions."

Offering a personal testimonial was Cheryle Adams. Adams' legs were crushed when two drivers ran a red light as she crossed a street in Washington in June 1993.

To this day, Adams faces the threat of amputation of both limbs, while the driver who hit her received a traffic citation.

"I live with pain every day," says Adams, breaking into tears. "I think it is time to focus on enforcement."

The survey was sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). It was conducted in two parts

from February 20 to April 11, 1997. Both surveys consisted of 3,000 drivers. While one focused on speeding with drivers over age 16, the other focused on unsafe driving in general.

The margin of error for the entire sample was plus or minus 1.3 percentage points, while being 2.5 percentage points for the partial survey on speeding. The survey asked drivers what kinds of unsafe behavior they usually encounter on the road.

The response showed: cars weaving in and out of traffic, 24 percent; tailgating, 17 percent; driver inattention, 15 percent; unsafe lane changes, ten percent; unsafe passing, nine percent; ignoring stop signs, eight percent; failing to yield, six percent; drinking and driving, five percent, and running red lights, five percent.

The study also revealed that age and gender are two important factors in unsafe driving. In

general, men were more likely than women to report committing all 21 types of unsafe behavior examined.

Another revelation was the proportion of drivers engaging in unsafe behavior declined as age increased.

The youngest drivers, divided into sets of 16-20 and 21-24 years of age, reported the highest levels of stop-sign running -- 81 percent and 71 percent, respectively -- and weaving between lanes -- 63 percent and 60 percent, respectively.

Dr. Ricardo Martinez, director of NHTSA, said the evidence shows the need for aggressive traffic enforcement. Often, he said, patrol officers are diverted from the roads to other venues in search of criminals.

Martinez uses the study to demonstrate that the most dangerous people are often on the road.

Check out the new improved toilet

by Ryan Dooley

Crusader Asst. World News Editor

The word "Techno-Toilet" may sound rather appealing, but those who are extremely cautious of sanitation need to know that it's not all pleasantly warm gusts of air.

Tara, 26, stopping at a hardware store in Shinjuku on her way home from work at a Japanese advertising firm, agreed to recount her worst bathroom moment on condition that her last name would not be revealed to the public.

"These toilets can really take you by surprise," confided Tara, a native Midland, Texas, where the toilets are anything but fancy.

Tara's office bathroom has a model with a control console looking like "something out of the space shuttle." One day, she leaned forward and pressed the wrong button. A bidet nozzle shot a jet of water up into the air, and splashed a broad wet line down the back of her clothing before she could find the "stop" button. She snuck out of the office early that day.

"I don't push any of those buttons any more. I just count on the automatic flush to work," she said sheepishly. "I would never, ever buy one."

Sales for Toto, Japan's top toilet manufacturer with an esti-

mated 68 to 75 percent of the market, have plummeted since the recession began. The company reported sales were down 11 percent in 1997, though it still had a profit of about \$30 million. This year, the company is looking at a loss of \$87 million.

Many were eyeballing, but very few were buying as last week, the company's

showroom on two upper floors of a Tokyo high-rise, was opened to see the Toto's combination toilet and bidet, the "Washlet." Some even built up enough nerve to test the device personally in the special "Trylet" bathroom stalls. He investigated a toilet whose seat lifts up to help an elderly or handicapped person to their feet. The toilet had more than a dozen cables emerging in a tangle from its base.

The Ito's, in their 60s, left without buying anything. "Very useful, but very expensive," he said, looking out the window at the Tokyo skyline. "This is not a good time."

Toto USA, based in Morrow, Ga., reports a healthier picture. A wholly owned subsidiary of Toto Ltd., Toto has gained five to six percent of the U.S. market, up from four to five percent in 1997, said spokesman Newbold Warden. The U.S. company, now seven years old, has opened two Georgia produc-

tion plants and has 500 employees.

"They're not doing so hot in Japan because of the economic situation. It always hurts when the building industry slows down," Warden said. "But we're completely unaffected here."

The company had a head start in the U.S. market because Toto Ltd. Had been refining the 1.6 gallon-per-flush toilet since the 1970s, when the water shortage struck Tokyo. Toto's researchers found that Americans don't like mechanical noises underneath them. They want the bidet-style wash, but no blow dryer, please. And some of the most popular Japanese features, for instance the artificial flushing noise, just doesn't translate well between cultures.

The Zoe, a separate seat that fits on top of a standard American toilet bowl, costs about \$600. A bidet nozzle emerges from under the seat at the touch of a remote control. Product literature claims that an automatic deodorizing system eliminates toilet odor in an instant. The lid also has a "soft-closing feature."

In Japan, where most homes are not centrally heated, the adjustable heated seat is the number one attraction of the high-tech toilets. In the U.S., the warmed-up seat became an option that could be selected for an extra \$100.

With the success of the Zoe, Toto USA's sales closed in on \$100 million in 1998, Warden says.

Don Gamble, director of marketing for Eljin Plumbing Ware in Dallas, Texas, says "If we saw a

void, we would try to fill it. Right now, we do not offer any product with these little, high-tech features."

His company is focusing instead on its new Q-Jet series, toilets that have a very quiet flush, low profile and sleek look. Eljin's toilets list at prices ranging from \$115 to \$900.

You will not find a \$4,000 toilet anytime soon partially because of the fact that there are not any plumbers out there that have the training and the expertise to repair such products. If something goes wrong with the toilet, you need to have the skills of both a contractor and VCR repairman to fix the problem. Another main reason is because at this time it is not cost-effective.

For another, Americans as a group, prefer not to think of the bathroom at all. Since the 19th century, health reformers started promoting tile, enamel and metal for bathroom decor rather than germ-laden carpet and wood, the American image of the bathroom has been a bare, clinical place to scour clean and get out of.

"Japan is a mature market for these integrated toilets. In the U.S. you can hardly talk about bathroom hygiene. It's hard to overcome a taboo, so we're going slowly," says Warden. The Japan Toilet Association, an independent study group, has 100 members and is chaired by a distinguished retired professor. There are dozens of Japan-based web sites dedicated to musings about toilets or photos of toilets.

Senate Impeachment Trial



Photo by Harry Hamburg/New York Daily

Nicole Seligman, White House Counsel, left, arrives at the Capitol, Monday for the Senate impeachment trial against President Clinton. To her left is defense attorney Cheryl Mills. The Senate went behind closed doors Monday as deliberations started on motions to dismiss the case.

First ever hand transplant

by Ryan Dooley

Crusader Asst. World News Editor

LOUISVILLE, KY -- A team of surgeons has performed the first hand transplant in the United States, attaching a donor hand, wrist and portion of a forearm to a 37-year-old man.

The surgical process, a joint project of the University of Louisville, the Kleinert, Kutz and Associates Hand Care Center and the Jewish Hospital, occurred Sunday afternoon at the hospital.

The patient, Matthew David Scott from Absecon, New Jersey, lost his hand while using fireworks in 1995. While he was waiting for his new hand, Scott used a prosthetic arm.

Scott is a clinical coordinator for Virtua Health System in Gibbsboro, New Jersey, and assistant director at the School of Paramedic Science, Camden County College, in Blackwood, New Jersey.

Lead surgeon Dr. Warren C. Breidenback said the hand transplant surgery lasted 14 to 15 hours. The procedure included

attaching the bones with metal plates and connecting nerves and arteries with small stitches.

He also stated that the transplant is still under investigation, and that Scott is doing well in recovery.

"We are hopeful this will bring him function in the future," he said. "We have a tendency to focus on the event of attaching and transplanting. Remember the real battle and unknown starts now as we progress towards the physical therapy stage over the next six weeks to three months."

There are some problems that this surgery may produce: it could produce clotting in the blood. It could also infect the hand, to the point that it would have to be removed. These are a couple of the dangers that the doctors will be watching for as the hand begins to make contact with the rest of the body.

It has been said that there are technically many doctors that can perform the surgery. The University of Louisville School of Medicine Human Studies Committee and Jewish Hospital Institutional

Review Board granted the approval to the Louisville transplant last year after three years of research. The proposed hand transplant surgery was announced publicly in July.

This is something new for all the doctors. No doctor in history has ever been able to attach a limb from a dead donor to a living recipient, but they have performed many surgeries where they have to reattach limbs.

In September in Lyon, France, a team of doctors transplanted a donor hand to a 48-year-old New England man in a 13-hour surgery.

The procedure has raised questions from medical ethicists and some surgeons who question whether a non-vital body part such as a hand should necessarily be transplanted.

Also, transplant recipients must take strong and dangerous drugs so that the body will not later reject the limbs of the new hand.

It is to be a process that will undergo much investigation, and continual follow-up on Scott and his new hand.

Super bowl parties: When the cheese hits the fan

The Super Bowl kickoff is just one week away, which means that the pre-game show will start in ... let me check the TV schedule ... about 15 minutes. So if you've invited guests over for a Super Bowl party, the time to start preparing is RIGHT NOW.

Step one is to take out a home-equity loan and buy snacks. Scientific tests have shown that a Super Bowl viewer can consume up to 15 times his or her own weight in snack foods, so you will want to have plenty on hand. A good rule of thumb is: If there is still any food at the supermarket when you leave, including used gum wads, you did not get enough.

In choosing your menu, be creative. Yes, you should get the old standby - potato chips - but you should also use your imagination and get some different and unusual snack items that will surprise and delight your guests, such as: flavored potato chips, potato chips with ridges, reduced-fat potato chips, enhanced-fat potato chips, the snack formerly known as potato chips and potato chips that have already been pre-smashed into subatomic particles at the factory. Basically, what I'm saying is, when your Super Bowl guests ar-

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rive, they should find a mound of potato chips large enough to conceal a pony sitting in front of the television. For nutritional balance, you should also put out a bowl of carrot sticks. If you have no carrot sticks, you can use pine cones, or used electrical fuses, because nobody will eat them anyway. This is no time for nutritional balance: This is the SUPER BOWL, for God's sake.

You will also need onion dip. Here's a delicious recipe that I have used for many years with great success:

OLD-FASHIONED BERMUDA ONION DIP

1. Go to Bermuda and get several large, fresh onions.
2. Chop them into small pieces.
3. Put the pieces down the garbage disposal and go to the supermarket and buy a container marked "Onion Dip."
4. Eat this with a spoon before your guests arrive, because oth-

erwise they'll snork it down before the opening kickoff. They are pigs, your guests.

Speaking of your guests: Whatever food you do put out for them, it is considered good etiquette to let them actually eat it. I say this because some hosts can become overly protective of their food. I vividly remember an experience I had during Super Bowl XXX, which I watched at the home of a friend of mine whom I will refer to here, to protect him from embarrassment, only as "Bob Wojnowski, sports writer for the Detroit News."

For this party, Bob purchased, by conservative estimate, 17,000 pounds of sliced cold cuts. So far, so good. Bob also decided it would be nice to arrange these cold cuts on platters in attractive displays. That also was good. The problem was Bob got a little too personally involved in the artistry of the arranging, especially of the cheese, which he had very carefully laid out in a fan pattern. My wife and I were the first guests to arrive, and Bob immediately ushered us into the living room to show us.

"Look how I fanned the cheese!" he said.

"That's great, Bob!" I said,

reaching for a slice. "I think I'll have some right..."

"NO!" said Bob. "NOT UNTIL THE OTHER GUESTS SEE IT!"

I thought he was going to stab my hand with a serving fork. Every time new guests arrived, Bob would show them how he had fanned his cheese, but then he'd refuse to allow them to eat any, in case MORE guests were coming. That was three years ago, and I'm fairly sure Bob's cheese display is still there, hardened to the consistency of Plexiglas, but still perfectly fanned.

My point is that you should allow your guests to actually eat the food you put out. You should also provide them with refreshing beverages, such as soda pop and beer. Remember, however, that beer is an alcoholic beverage, so as the host, you should make sure that, if any of your guests have too much to drink, you start a betting pool. Collect money from each of your guests. (Depending on the rate of beer consumption, you may be able to collect several times from certain guests.) Get a sheet of lined paper and, during the game, keep careful track of how many points each team scores per quarter. Then, at the end of the game, keep all the money. Your

guests will not be able to argue with you, because nobody understands how betting pools work. Another excellent way to raise money during the Super Bowl is to charge admission to your bathroom. (Martha Stewart does this at all of her parties.)

Here are some other things you can do to liven up your Super Bowl party:

- For a hilarious prank, when the game reaches a really crucial moment, switch the channel to a PBS documentary entitled "Dung Beetles of Indonesia."

- To create a real "stadium feel" for your guests, sneak up behind them with a compressed-gas boat horn and emit a blast right into their ears. Some guests have been known to expel partially chewed potato-chip wads as far as 50 feet.

If you follow these suggestions, you'll have a Super Bowl party that your guests will be talking about for years to come. Mostly in court depositions.

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Finding the path to the right career

by Amber Jerome

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How would you like to book an interview with Rebecca St. James, or maybe even the Newboys? If you think this seems unrealistic, think again. Natasha Chadbourne, who contacted St. James' agents for an interview while working for 89.5 fm, the Treasure Valley's Christian radio station, would tell you that it is possible to find an exciting internship and one that is perfect for helping you find a career you will enjoy.

Chadbourne, a senior communications major, earned her internship credits working in promotions at KTSY. Assigned the responsibility of raising corporate sponsors, Chadbourne contacted businesses for the radio station. Though that experience is over, she already has another internship lined up. She applied last spring to the EMI/CMG communications internship program. Through EMI, Chadbourne was connected with Sparrow records and hired to work in the label's publicity department in Brentwood, Tennessee following graduation.

The kinds of confidence and professionalism which are built through internship experiences are beneficial to a college career. Even if your major is one that technically doesn't require job experience, you may find yourself academically and personally stronger by pursuing an interest.

Science majors don't have to have an internship, but they must complete a senior project. Twi Smith completed her major research under Dr. Yuli, but wanted some experience in the field of computer science and chemistry. Scouring the Internet for a lead, she found the Associated Western Universities page which advertises undergraduate internships. Smith was selected to work at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratories in Idaho Falls where she assembled a sox therm machine on her own, with a team of INEL engineers as mentors. "It was cool to work with the newest and latest kinds of equipment which are available to companies. I found out what real work is like," said Smith.

Senior Mike Wraith was eager to intern as a pastor, and headed youth ministries at Franklin Community Church under the guidance of Dr. Michael Lodahl. "I've been able to learn a lot as far as building relationships. Being a youth pastor has allowed me to confirm

my call in the ministry," Wraith said.

Junior Libby Allen said that her internship experiences in social work have been "eye-opening." Through Christian Ministries in National Parks, Allen worked over the summer at Yellowstone, both at a day job and in weekend ministries. "I saw a lot of people searching. It gave us a sense to live out what we were preaching. It was good social work experience because you have to deal with people from all different backgrounds and cultures."

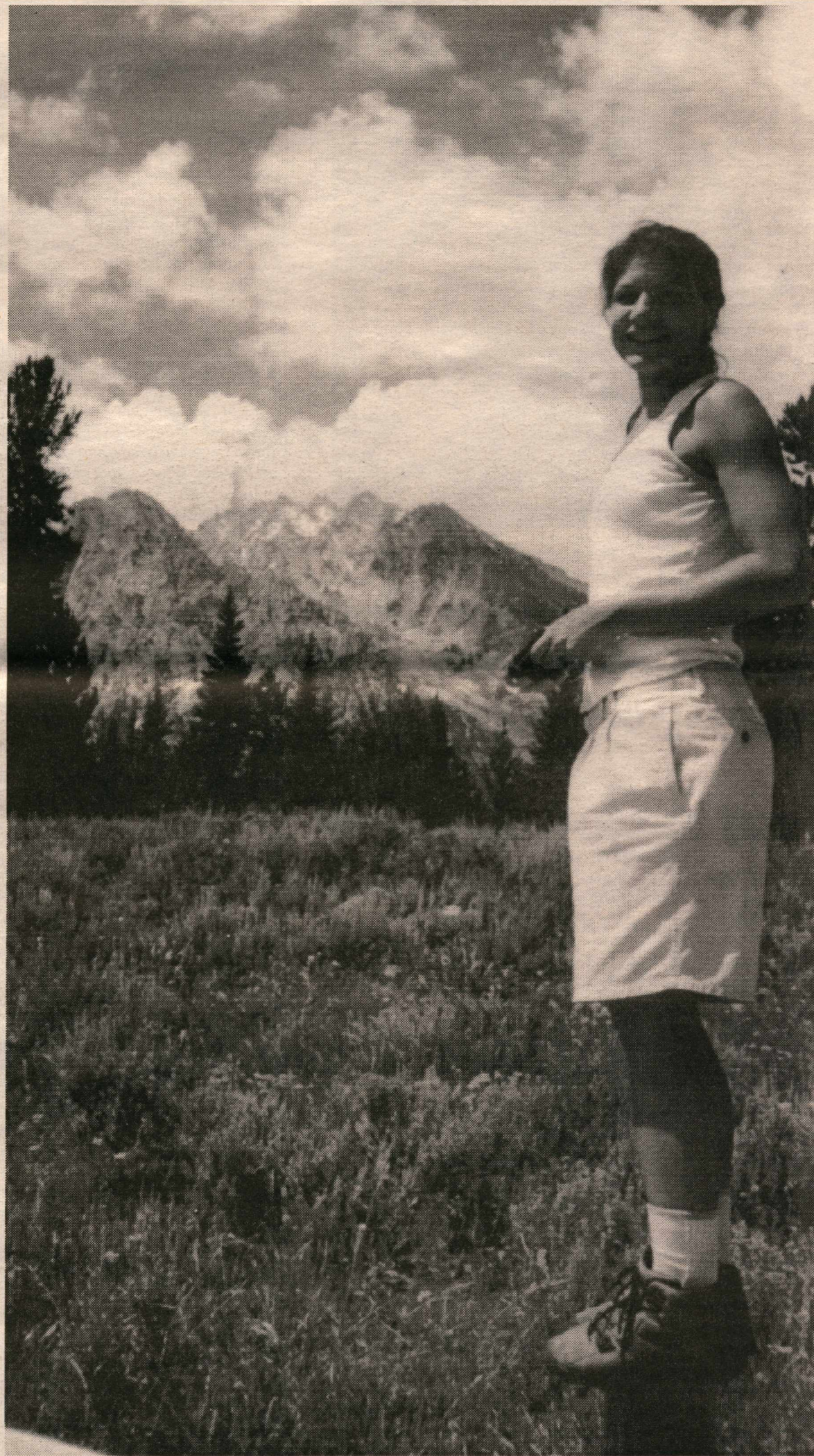
A major part of internships is that they provide access with people in real world situations, a factor especially relevant to the ministry and social work fields. Amber Wagner, a junior social work major, is employed at the Booth House for the homeless and teen mothers. Wagner wants to work for a non-profit organization serving youth. Her internship, turned full-time job, has given her the opportunity to plunge right into the case work. "I did things by myself right off, but it was a good experience. I recommend people find a place where they can be active," said Wagner.

Junior Tiffany White agrees, "A lot of students can end up being gophers, or used to file or answer phones. That's when people need to find a new site." White's experience has been just the opposite however. "My supervisor just throws me in and has me do everything."

Knowing what to pursue is the major issue for students looking for an internship. But the key is simply to start early and to try many avenues. Senior Kimberly Fleischmann said, "If you can, get more than one job in your field. Then you can relate the differences and you can build on it."

While internships may seem intimidating to many students, the truth is that they are not only an unavoidable part of many undergraduate programs, but in fact an opportunity for exploration. They function also as confidence builders. No one who has survived their 400-hour senior social work practicum can come away without an invigorating sense of accomplishment and a greater gauge of their own abilities.

Student teachers are also prime examples of the wonders of internship. Judy Clark, who spent first term teaching at Kuna High School said, "Getting through it all and knowing at the end that this is something you can do and be suc-



Libby Allen enjoys the scenic surroundings of her summer internship at Yellowstone National Park (Above). Rebecca Galloway poses with Idaho Senator Larry Craig in Washington D.C. Galloway interned for Craig last summer (Opposite).

cessful at was perhaps the best part. I had to create a lot of my own lesson materials. At first I was kind of scared and intimidated. I was worried about possible behavioral problems students might have. In the end it all worked out perfectly." Virginia Imlah, another first term student teacher said that the experience was "a chance to go out and prove what you've learned."

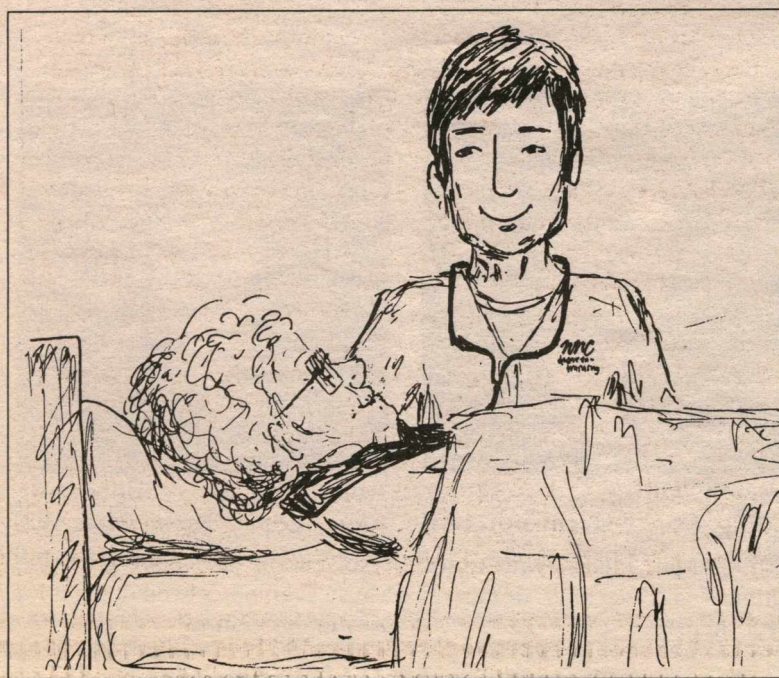
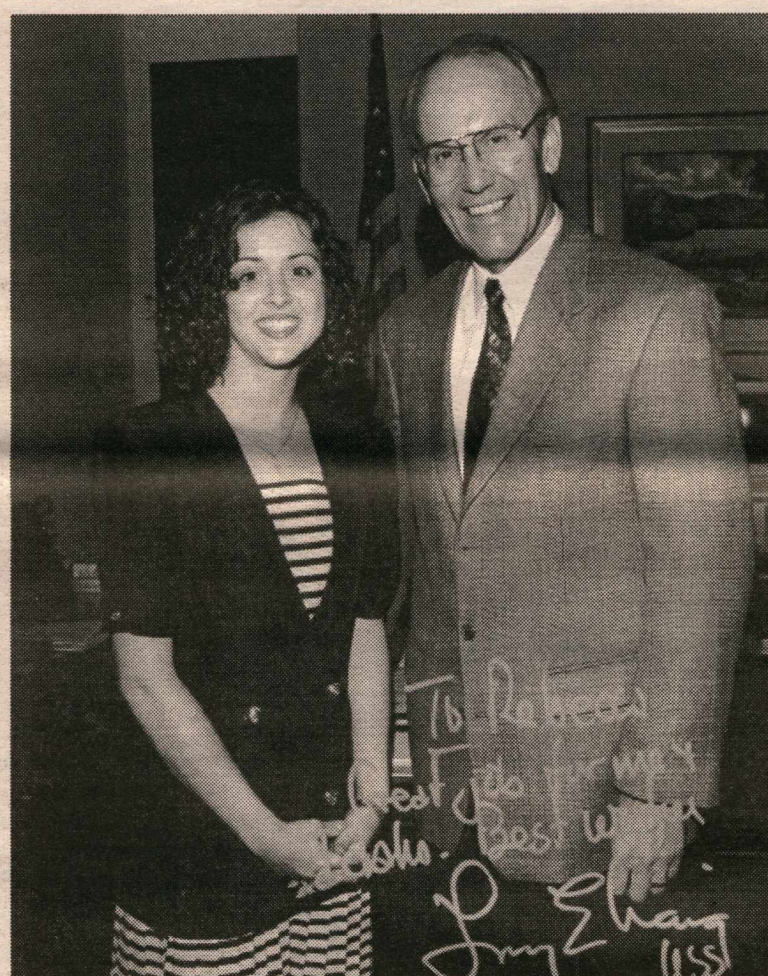
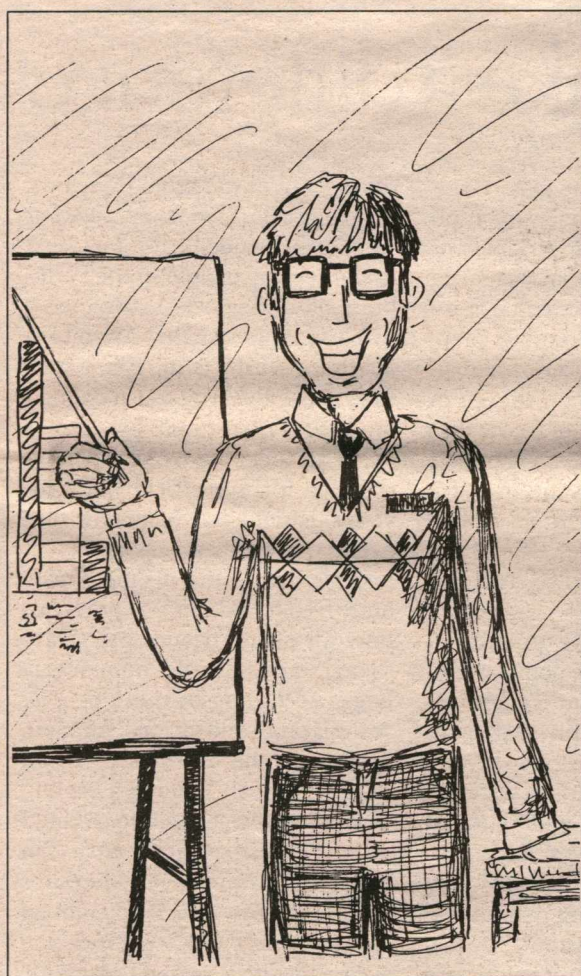
A few business majors have the opportunity through the yearly Bank Board program to practice their professionalism in the community. This year, a team of seven students are collaborating with First Security Bank in research concerning the Winter Games sponsored by the bank. The team will

collect and analyze data from community surveys and report back to the bank. Junior Marisa Schmit said, "I am learning a lot about working with people in business settings and am seeing how different personalities come together. I think it will be very effective for me in what I want to do."

Often the hardest part of an internship for students is getting started finding one. The key is research and contacts. Professors are a wonderful resource and already have countless contacts with people in the community who might be looking for someone with exactly your qualifications and interests. Dr. Karen Vehlow of the Business Department said, "There are a myriad of corporations which

hired after following through with an interview he first heard about at NNC's career fair last spring. An art major with an emphasis in graphic design, Rudeen pursued his interest in book cover art at the Nazarene Publishing House, working full-time over the summer. Designing book covers for the firm, Rudeen discovered the ups and downs of the cover art trade, and he has decided that a focus upon web-page design might better fit his talents. A web site for the Nazarene church in Argentina, where his brother is involved in missions, is Rudeen's current project.

The work, which nearly all departments require of interning students, ranges from 100 hours of experience in the education and



business departments to 400 hours in the social work field. All internship students work under supervisors in their field who mentor and evaluate students upon completion of their tenure. In religion internships, said Dr. Gary Waller, "The mentor takes [the student] through a series of experiences which they might confront in [his or her] pastoral experiences." Most require journal or daily logs to be kept as students record their encounters with the ins and outs of the profession.

While interning for graduation requirements, students pay the college to work and receive their intern credit. Many internships pay students while they work for credit, but some organizations, especially nonprofit and social service agencies, don't. According to

Colleen Jensen, though, "Sticking through with practicum until you can get paid is worth it." A senior social work major, Jensen interned with Idaho Health and Welfare's Caldwell office over the summer for credit, but now has a part-time job with the Nampa office which pays well. She plans to take a year off to enter missions after graduation, but would like to come back to the job while pursuing a graduate degree when NNC receives its accreditation.

Establishing relationships with potential employers is an aspect of interning that proves valuable. Tricia Palmer has worked in an accounting firm for the past two summers and has established relationships with co-workers. She said, "They adopted me and I became a part of the team." Palmer

said the experience has given her more confidence and has enriched her classroom experience, as principles she reads about in texts are ones she has had the opportunity to practice. She said, "There is a big difference between finding figures from client's papers and the textbook's neat layout of all the information."

Internships are designed for the student growth. Interning is all about learning—learning who we are, what we like, definitely do not like, and why we chose our field in the beginning. "It's kind of like you're shopping around for yourself," said Becky Mullin. "You don't want to get stuck in the last thing that's open." Simulation jobs are a chance to test the waters, develop confidence, and pinpoint the direction you will take.

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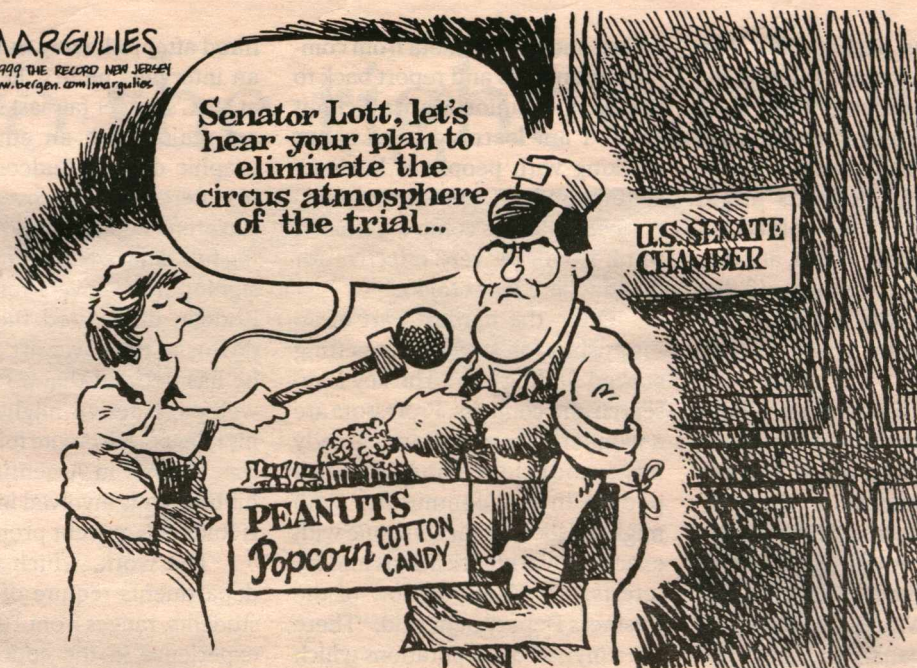
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Vegetarianism: A poor way to try to make a difference

by Chad Cray and Nathan Hydes
Journalism Extrordinaires

What does it mean to be a vegetarian? Maybe a better question is what does it take to be a vegetarian? Does it mean that you do not eat ANY meat? Or does it mean you don't eat any meat but fish or chicken? Perhaps the best question is, why should you be a vegetarian? There are many reasons for vegetarianism, and they range from the practical to the idealistic. One example of practical vegetarianism is my (Chad's) niece. She is one-year old and is a true vegetarian and will be for the rest of her life because she has a genetic disorder called PKU. If my niece was to eat too much meat it would cause brain damage. An idealistic reason for being a vegetarian is based on the idea that not eating meat somehow makes the world a better place. If you would like an example of an idealistic version of vegetarianism,

simply pick up a copy of the executive officer reports that appear on the Marriott tables every week.

The problem with vegetarianism is that it's vague. If somebody is so interested in the rights of animals that they alter their eating habits, why don't they become a vegan? A vegan is a person who doesn't eat anything but fruits, vegetables, nuts, berries, etc. Being a vegetarian is the same as saying, "It's wrong to eat steaks and hamburgers, but it's okay to eat fish and chicken." Last time I checked, fish and chickens were animals too. What about eating bread? Brownies, cookies, cake, bagels and anything else consisting of a bread like substance took a chicken fetus to make. Isn't a fetus a life? If you're lenient on the life of animal fetuses, maybe you should reevaluate your stance on abortion. In other words, we feel bad about killing animals, just like we feel bad about killing people. But it's ok to kill an animal fetus,

but killing a human fetus is murder. We're just looking for a little consistency, that's all. Being a luke-

Most of the vegetarians you see are so inconsistent in their thinking that they might as well be wearing a mink coat, a racoon skin cap and alligator shoes.

warm vegetarian isn't much different from being a luke-warm Christian. God doesn't like a casual Christian anymore than Porky Pig likes a casual vegetarian.

Another consistency problem with vegetarianism is that it only

takes into account one kind of animal suffering. Animals are used every day for testing products as well, but that doesn't seem to bother us quite as much. Everybody uses shampoo and soap, so we don't really care when an animal has shampoo shoved in his eye. Is the life of a cow that is about to become a hamburger worth more than the life of a dog that's about to get make-up stuck in its eye? One of the most ironic things I've ever seen was a vegetarian wearing three pounds of make-up and a leather jacket. The point I'm trying to make is that it's not just the meat packing plants that are cruel to animals. Every day there are thousands of tests run on animals, and I'm willing to bet that most of 'em aren't that enjoyable for the animal. In fact, many of them involve doing painful and cruel things. For instance, medicines and surgical procedures are tested on animals. Come to think

of it, some of the cruel things we do to animals serve no purpose but to educate students. In fact, just the other day people in the vertebrate physiology class dissected a live frog. Although they scrambled it's brain with a long metal stick first, I bet the frog wasn't thinking, "Gee, what fun!"

The incident which sparked the idea for this article was a juvenile comment which said that everybody who eats meat is cruel and vicious. Some people apparently find it necessary to point out how all of us "friend-eaters" are savages and basically human garbage. According to these people, Jesus is cruel and vicious. After all, he helped the apostles catch all those nice fish. I have a feeling Jesus didn't catch them so he could admire their great beauty. I'm guessing he ate a few. Perhaps Jesus was the one that clubbed them to death with a big rock. I'm sure those fish weren't thinking, "Gee, what fun."

Your Turn

Random answers from
random people on
random issues

Do you think eating meat is cruel or vicious?



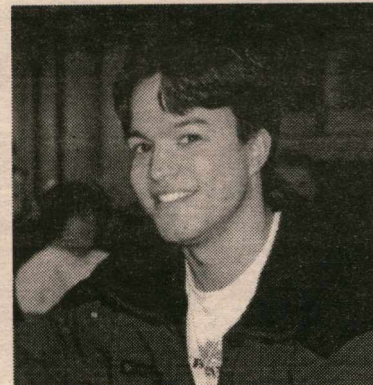
Emily Stedje
Elem. Ed. Sophomore
Ronan, MT

"No, it's just food."



Kara Wolfe
Religion Freshman
Nampa, ID

"Yes, I think they have feelings too. I just try not to think about them when I'm eating meat."



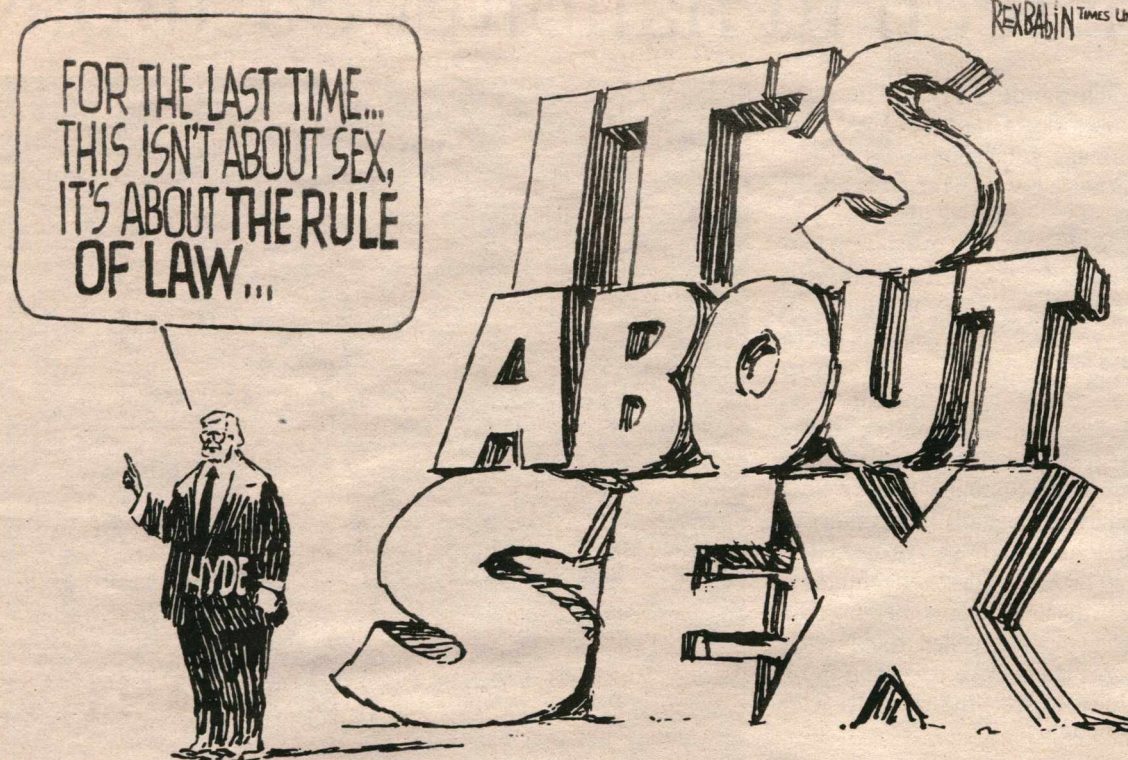
Jeremy Smith
Comp. Sc. Junior
Hermiston, OR

"No. God provided us with all the animals and we have dominion over them."



Robyn Evens
Elem. Ed. Sophomore
Kennewick, WA

"No, eating meat isn't cruel because everyone's been doing it for a long, long time."



Staff Editorial

You've been hit.

This mailbox is not tamper-proof and may be opened by all who pass.

Talk to the post office if you wish to see a change in this situation.

-The Crusader

16.4% of NNC students received a small piece of notebook paper in their box just like the note above. The note informed them that their box was accessible to anybody.

An experiment was done by a Crusader staff member. We decided to see how many of the mail boxes were able to be opened by any yahoo walking by.

In total, 610 combination locked mailboxes were tested, and of those 610, one hundred were opened with-

out duress. No combinations were tried nor did we pull really hard on the knob until a screw was jarred loose. All that was done was to simply turn the knob on the box. If the box opened he put the note in. If it didn't open, we moved on to the next box.

The point being made here is that your mail isn't necessarily safe. We're not trying to scare anybody. Don't worry, nobody's out to steal your pornography or your stash of illicit drugs. We're just trying to inform all of you about our state of our mail service.

Each of us rely on the work of the individuals behind the counter at our post office. We believe the facilities they work in, the boxes we rely on to keep our mail safe should match the importance we place on this venue of communication to our family, friends, business partners, etc. If this concerns you talk to someone in student development or at the post office.

Fast food etiquette: A guide to fine dining

by David A. Kadel

Crusader News Opinions Writer

It's happened to all of us. You're at your favorite fast food joint. You order their biggest burger, the one you only get when you feel that it's safe to spend that extra buck. Realizing that your college level vocabulary would be useless on the spaced-out kid whose stand-

Get the terminology right. Don't go into McDonald's and order a "Blizzard," or into Arctic Circle and ask for McNuggets. Only Wendy's has the "Frosty" and McDonald's alone sells the "Happy Meal."

ing behind the counter, you are very careful to put into extremely simple terms the specific condiments you want on your burger. After a few tries, he finally shows something that looks like recognition, and punches in your order. Another ten minutes and you sit down at the one clean table in the restaurant.

Not two seconds from the time that you sink your teeth into the sandwich, you find yourself spewing it back out. Lifting the bun and peeking inside, you identify the culprit--mustard. You specifically told him that you despise mustard. As an afterthought, you look around the room to make sure no one saw your grotesque display. No disgusted looks, so you're safe. Turning your attention back to the sandwich that lays before you, drenched through and through with that revolting flavor, you get up from your seat and march solemnly toward the counter where the ignorant juvenile is staring at you with an indignant gaze.

Now stop! Before you bombard him with proclamations of injustice, take a second to think about what he's thinking. He's one of a myriad of burger joint employees that are there for our convenience, no matter how

inconvenient they actually are. Just because they excessively mess up at our expense doesn't mean we can walk all over them. We must use etiquette--even when dining at the very lowliest of eating-

Clean up your own messes.

Unlike the fancier restaurants, fast food joints have these wonderful things called garbage cans.

They are there for a reason, so don't just leave your trash piled up on the table.

houses.

Here are some simple rules of fast food etiquette:

1: Be polite to the person who is taking your order. No matter how incompetent he might be, he is the only link between you and your food. Pay careful attention to

what he is saying and answer his questions. If he is one of those rare jewels who is courteous enough to ask you how you are doing, respond. If he says that he will be with you in just a moment (a common occurrence when utilizing the drive-up speaker), don't start rambling off your order. If you are using a car phone, hang up or tell the person on the phone to hold on for just a moment. I can't stress that one enough. There is nothing so rude as to ignore the person at the window as you talk on the phone.

2: Get the terminology right. Don't go into McDonald's and order a "Blizzard," or into Arctic Circle and ask for "McNuggets." Only Wendy's has the "Frosty," and McDonalds alone sells the "Happy Meal." Try to pronounce the names of foods right. This is a very common problem with foreign foods such as quesadilla, Caesar, pita and fillet.

3: Clean up your own messes. Unlike the fancier restaurants, fast food joints have these wonderful things called garbage cans. They are there for a reason, so don't just leave your trash piled up on the table. If you spill ketchup on the table, wipe it

up with a napkin. I know that takes extra effort on your part, but believe me, it will be appreciated. If it's a big mess, then tell someone at the counter about it. Yes, you will probably get a dirty look from the new guy they send out to clean it up, but at least it will get taken care of right away.

4: We're back at your original problem again: what to do if your order gets botched up. Now most likely it was a simple mistake by one of the employees. Note: It is not necessarily the order taker's fault. Fortunately, there are some simple steps to correcting the error. Step #1: Rinse that awful taste out of your mouth. Step #2: Politely explain the problem. Step #3 Wait patiently for the problem to be resolved. Step #4: Check to see if they have comment cards and if so, expel your fury on paper.

If we could all learn to use these simple rules more often, just think of how much happier we could make the dim-witted kid behind the counter. And just so you know, that ignorant juvenile is me and the only reason I look detached from reality is because I spent the whole of last night studying for my Western Civ. test, okay?

'Saders beat Oregon Tech in nailbiter Saturday

Crusaders win two games over the weekend, move to 6-4

by Craig Craker

Crusader News Staff Writer

The men's basketball team came into the weekend not looking too good, but after a miracle they left the weekend back on the top of the world. NNC played host to #1 in the conference and #12 in the nation Southern

Oregon on Friday night.

NNC came out as a team looking to knock the top team in the conference off of their pretty little perch.

NNC started the game off hot taking an 13-5 lead with 13:38 to go in the first half, thanks to what would become a common occurrence for the night; a long bomb from Elijah "The Prophet" Effinger. He went on to hit four more bombs in the half, and ended up looking like a B-52 over Iraq. We went into half-time leading 30-21.

Coming into the second half, one had to expect a run, but NNC maintained a ten-point lead until ten minutes to go when S. Oregon cut it 39-36. But then here came "the Prophet" to lead us out of the darkness with yet another three-pointer. Effinger's three-sparked an 11-6 run that pumped the lead up to 50-42 with five minutes to go and pretty much cinched it up. We cruised to a 65-57 win, and upped our record to 9-15 and 5-4 in the conference.

Effinger ended up with 6 of 10 from downtown, scoring 22 in the game, Detmetiros McBride added ten and there were three other players with nine.

Coach Sanders said, "The guys showed a lot of poise and played good as a team. Effinger hit some big shots that helped us out when we needed a spark."

On Saturday night, Oregon Tech came in with a 16-5 record and the best player in the conference,

Saif Abdur-Rahman. It was a close game from the start, though after two three's from Effinger we opened up a 30-20 lead with seven minutes to go in the half. Then something happened that has spelled trouble lately for our team; Oregon went on an 18-4 run to closeout the half with a score of 38-34.

At the start of the second half, NNC needed something to get the crowd back in the game, and Scott Bishop provided it with a thunderous dunk that rocked the party and rocked the house. The dunk closed the game to 40-39 in favor of Oregon; it went back and forth until Josh Coopridier and LaMark Judkins hit consecutive transition three's to open it up to 50-42 with 14 minutes left.

It stayed that way until the six-minute mark, where once again things fell apart due to tired legs and foul trouble. Oregon went on a run and took the lead 73-72 with 2:17 to play. At that point, things were starting to look dim as we could not convert on offense and our defense was getting used and abused, but that set the stage for some huge drama.

With Oregon Tech leading 77-74 and 34.6 seconds to go, Abdur-Rahman knocked the ball off of McBride's leg. Then at the other end Josh Conrad missed one of two free throws, so we had the ball with 12.8 ticks left on the clock trailing 78-74.

You could hear the crowd all the way to the Brandt Center



Photo by Gerry Singletary

Senior Scott Bishop slams over Oregon Tech at a critical movemnt in Saturday's game.

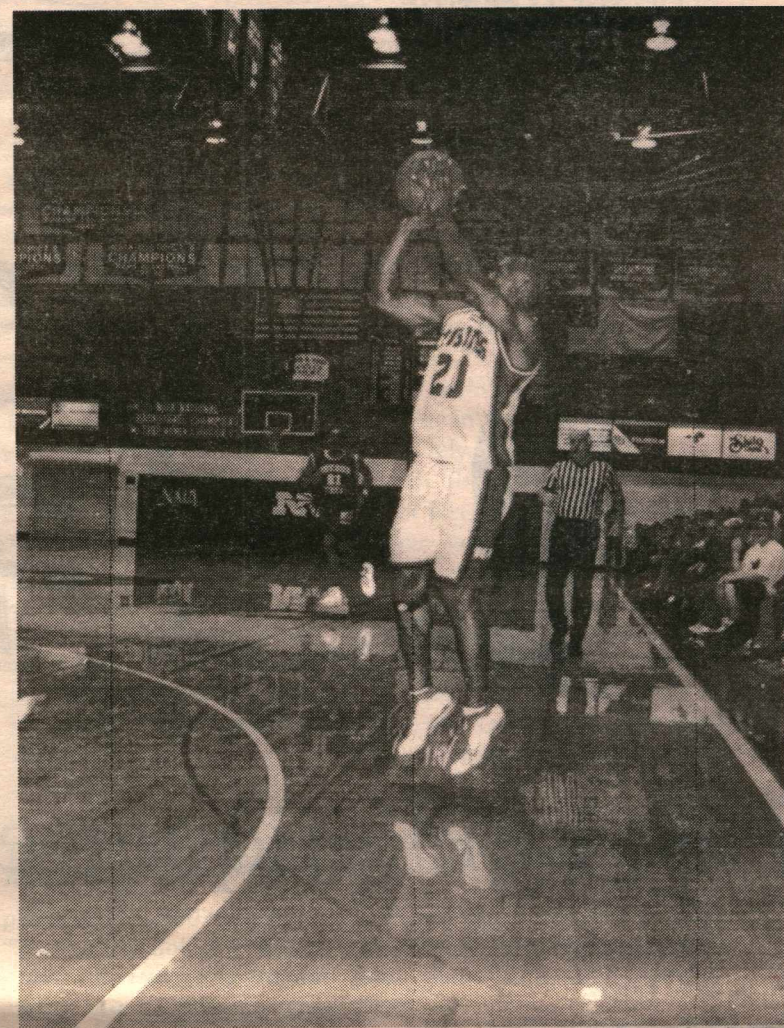


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Junior LaMark Judkins pulls up for three. Judkins totaled nine points during Friday's game against Southern Oregon.

It looked over, but LaMark Judkins threw a Gary Payton-esque pass to Coopridier who immediately 'Got Jiggy Wit' It' and nailed the long trifector, as he was being fouled. He went to the line and short armed the free throw, but there was "the Prophet" waiting to get the ball, and flick up a shot that you did while playing H-O-R-S-E in the backyard as a kid, and make the shot to give us a 79-78 lead.

You could hear the crowd all the

way to the Brandt Center, or so I'm told. After a missed three- by Oregon, it was over. The Crusaders' won 79-78, giving them a 10-15 record and 6-4 in the conference. We are now in fourth place, and if we can stay in the top four, we will have home court advantage in the conference playoffs.

The guys hit the road this weekend going to Northwest College and Concordia College, where they can hopefully get this show on the road.

Weekend road trip brings two wins for 'Saders

Crusaders beat Evergreen and Northwest Colleges; improve to 19-3

by Mary Glaze

Crusader News Staff Writer

As a member of the NNC women's basketball team, I have noticed that road trips can be bittersweet things. There are many factors contributing to the bitterness: plane

rides, long drives, less than comfortable hotel beds and annoying home crowds, but there is one bit of sweetness that always makes these things bearable. That is the comradery and laughter that is always a part of the this NNC basketball team.

In preparation for our road trip to Evergreen State College in Olympia, WA and Northwest College in Kirkland, WA, head coach Roger Schmidt, made a few adjustments in our practice routine. After spending a week focusing on execution and playing as a unit, not as individuals, we were ready to hit the road.

Junior guard Staci Kirk spoke with complete accuracy when, reflecting on the trip, she said, "Away

games are difficult to become excited to play, but our team spirit and laughter helps us to achieve our winning goals." Indeed, not even a delayed flight, sick teammates, or a poorly prepared welcome at Northwest College could bring us down.

Our first game, against the Evergreen State College Geoducks, although not counted as a conference game, was an easy win with a margin of 24 points, 61 to 37.

High-point player for the game with 14 points, senior forward Staci Wilson said, with a hint of affirmation in her voice, "Road trips are tough, but they are good practice for us because the national tournament is on the road." I

don't think there is any doubt in this team leader's mind where we (the Lady Crusaders) will end up.

After the win against Evergreen, it was time to test our skills against the Northwest College Eagles. This was a team who had been doing well in conference play and was pretty fired up to play the only undefeated team in the conference: the Lady Crusaders. Little did they know, but we were fired up to play them as well ... and it showed.

Connection after connection on fastbreak lay ups—from Staci Kirk (17 points) to Mary Glaze (14 points), three three-point goals by Chelsey Hall (15 points) and the continuing domination, of uncontrollable post,

Wilson—quickly strangled the Eagles' spirit. With another 24-point victory for the Crusaders, 92 to 37, the Eagles' hopes of conquests were shattered.

In summing up our performance this weekend, the ever practical, Coach Roger Schmidt said, "A week of execution [in practice] paid off and all players played up to their ability." He also adds that the record of 19 wins and three losses, for the Lady Crusaders thus far in the season, is "probably one of the best starts for any team from this school, men or women's, and we are looking for fan support [at our home games] this weekend."

Crusaders recruit Judkins as all-around athlete

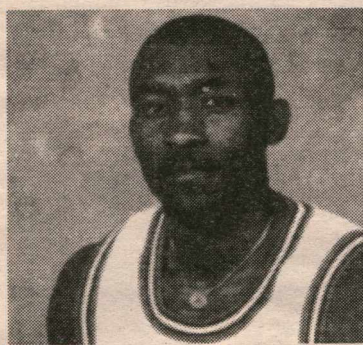
NNC social work major lends his expertise to the team

by Jenifer Holmquist

Crusader News Staff Writer

LaMark Judkins' most memorable moment playing for the Crusaders came this past Saturday as an assist from his hands sailed through the hoop. "I knew the game wasn't over," he recalled, when a minute-and-a-half remained with a four-point deficit. "It happened just right; it was the best assist I've had in my life...so far."

This is just one example of how Judkins' attitude reflects an apparent belief that possibilities in life are endless. In high school, he emphasized



"I'm glad to be a leader, it's almost something I was born into."

~LaMark Judkins

that baseball "was my first love, followed by football, which my mom got me into." On his high school football team in San Francisco, he earned All City Honors as a quarterback, and honorable mention as an All American player, among other honors. Although highly recruited as a quarterback until his senior year, Judkins' football career was unfortunately ended by a broken shoulder.

As he began to look into colleges without the possibility of a football scholarship, Judkins turned to the basketball skills which he had devel-

oped alongside football. "I had to play some sort of sport, because I knew my family was not fortunate enough to be able to support me in college," he stated.

Judkins' first years playing basketball on the college level were in Ontario at Treasure Valley Community College. Then, in determining a college to complete a four-year degree, he looked across the valley to NNC. Even though he was also recruited by Albertson College, his decision to attend NNC came after minor deliberation. He emphasized that,

"the Lord guided me here and I didn't have to think twice about signing on."

NNC's first impression on Judkins was a "family environment, where everyone was really nice and the basketball program was highly respected." He was especially drawn to the tradition of excellence he found in both basketball and academics at NNC.

As a student, Judkins chose social work for a major. He knows that with his past experiences, what he says "I have either seen or been through," he can relate well with kids who have gone through domestic violence or abuse. Until this term, Judkins worked at the YMCA with the Child Development Program. "I prepared sandwiches, and drove the bus from their kindergarten to YMCA," he explained. "I loved working with the kids."

This year, Judkins main goal is to be "a positive person all around. On and off the court." "I'm glad to be a leader, it's almost something I

was born into," he explained. As a quarterback on his high school football team, or as a Crusader guard, he sees the role of a leader as "be[ing] an energy boost, a spark plug to those around me." He also stresses the importance of hard work: "the weight room is my second home—I'm always working out and trying to stay healthy."

Judkins attributes NNC's recent successes to both hard work and improved teamwork. "Once we play as a team, we are much more effective," he said. As the season continues, he also expressed the need for crowd support as the Crusaders take to the road. He accented, "The Albertson game is right around the corner and we definitely need support." About the upcoming game on February 12, Judkins commented, "students need to be saving up money for tickets, so lack of money isn't an excuse." With players like Judkins and the Crusaders' recent record, this is advice well worth considering.

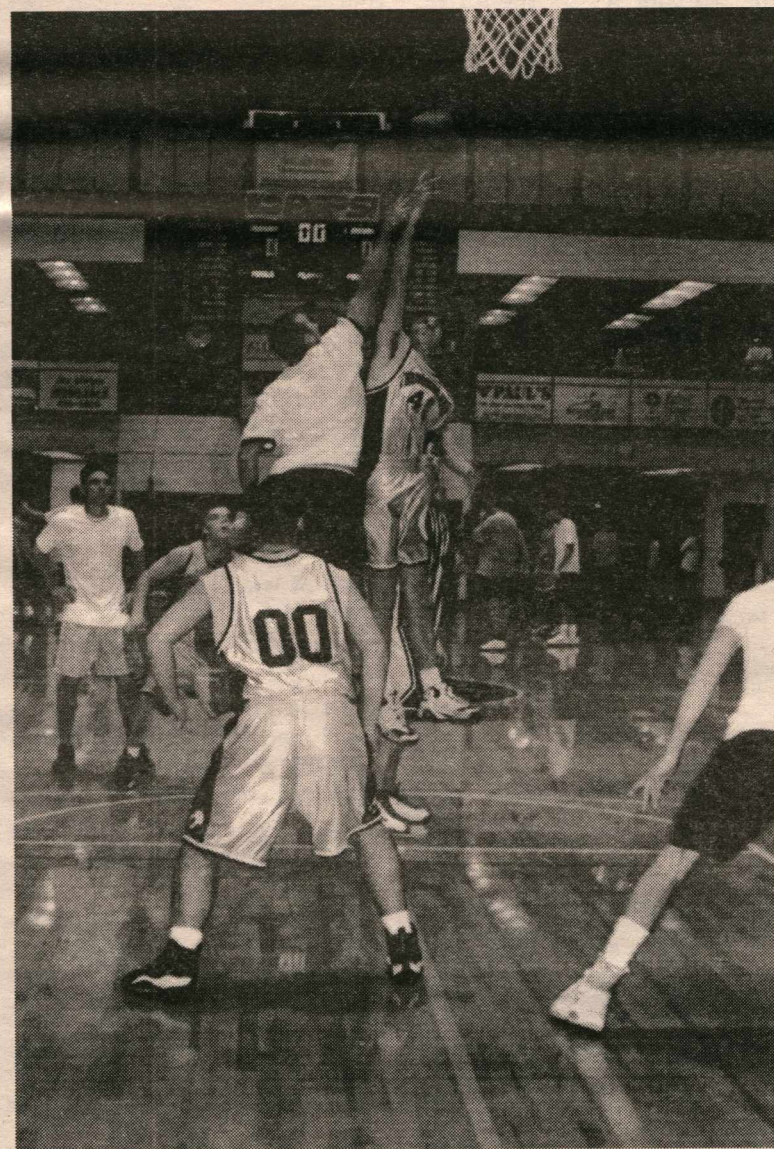


Jen Garrett and Shaanti Johnson go up for a rebound (Above). The Thunder-cats make a stunning appearance, with uniforms purchased with monies from community sponsors (Right).

IM basketball; for all kinds

Intramural basketball games are in full swing. Teams can be seen playing on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights in the gym from eight o'clock to eleven p.m. Spectators are always welcome. Players are reminded to check the intramural board in the student center, outside of Marriott for game schedules. A referee schedule is posted also. Playoff's begin February 15.

Winners of the annual most original team name, Crusader's choice contest are: Team Forfeit, men's C league; Yellow Snowmakers, men's C league; and one of last



Photos by Deana Pelletier

year's winners, Carly's Angels, women's league. A staff vote (we are a democracy up in this office) gave the most pointless name award to Yo Mama's Boys in the men's B league.

Results from last week's games are unavailable, but it is known that some teams won, that some lost and that some forfeited. Fortune tellers are predicting the same for next week.

Time Out

This week in Time Out

Jeremy Meehan

Jeremy is one of those really cool people who happens to have amazing insight about ordinary things. That and he has a great sense of humor and knows how to swing. All wonderful reasons to go and hear what he has to say on Wednesday. I will be there and will expect all of you to be too. You're only hurting yourself if you don't show up. Because I will hurt you.

**Science Lecture Hall
9:00 Weednesday**

At First Sight is worth a look, but beware content

Each year movie theaters put out a mixture of movie themes. One of the most popular of those is romance movies. Most of them share the same plot. A couple meet, they fall in love, they have a fight, and then there is the proverbial happy ending that most everyone would be disappointed without. Right now in theaters the Romance feature is *At First Sight*.

Based on a true story, the movie is about a blind person (Val Kilmer), and his relationship with a high profile architect (Mira Sorvino). I have to apologize outright because I cannot remember the names of anyone in this movie. I will just call the characters by the people that played them.

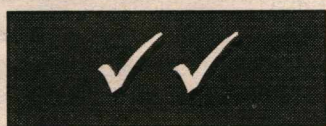
The movie begins by showing the stressed out life of Mira. She works in an office with her stuck up ex-husband Steven Weber (the cool, funny guy on the TV show *Wings*). Mira's firm serves big spenders whose secondary jobs are to create head-

aches for architects. Mira's secretary makes her take a vacation to this neat country club that Val is a masseuse at. Once

At First Sight

Starring
Mira Sorvino
Val Kilmer

Reviewed by
Jason Person



Val puts his greased up hands to her back it's all downhill from there. The major twist to the movie is that there is a new surgery that enables certain blind people to see. Val Kilmer

happens to have that type of blindness. Needless to say, it was very cool to watch a person who has never seen anything suddenly see everything. An example would be that Val saw an apple and couldn't say what it was until he touched it. Another scene showed how Val learned the concept of jealousy.

Watching this movie will make you very glad that you can see, but crazy as it sounds, the movie also features a couple of gifts that blind people have that could make some people envious. Some of you out there think I am dumb for saying such a thing, but after seeing this movie perhaps you will see what I mean. Simply put, a major lesson the movie promotes is that 'seeing' with your eyes isn't near as impor-

tant as seeing with your heart. To quote Val, "Just because you can't see it, doesn't mean it isn't



there."

Being this is a movie review, I have to add the down-

side of the movie as well. Why is it that in order to have a good romance, sex must be involved? Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye did just fine in *White Christmas*. Did they have sex? No. Instead of sex, they danced! Why can't there be more dancing and less sex in movies? Frail human morality, Pffie I say! What I am trying to say in a somewhat cheesy manner is that I do not agree with the fact that sexuality was involved in the movie at all. Premarital sex is harmful to the individual and so Hollywood needs to stop trying to glamorize and advertise it. It is my belief that a person's sexuality is not something to splatter on the screens. Sex is good, but is not meant to be shared with society. Wait a second! What's that under my chair? How did that soap box get there? I better take care of this little box problem. Meanwhile if you see *At First Sight* and one of those 'scenes' is coming up close your eyes and think of Bing and Danny.

Mona Lisa offers gourmet fare with gourmet prices

Valentine's day is just around the corner and I know all the guys on this campus have one question on their mind: Where besides Marriott can I take that cute brunette in English 101? Well I have found the perfect place for you two

The building has few, if any windows, and the location is not the best in town. However, once you are inside, you are in a whole new world.

to spend the most romantic day of the year, and would you believe that the place happens to be right here in Nampa? Who would have ever thought? The Restaurant I am talking about is the Mona Lisa Fondue Restaurant at 102 11th Avenue. For those of you who do not get around much, go to the Nampa Library, and then drive under the railroad tracks. It will be on your right hand side in the first build-

ing after the tracks.

The owners are from Colorado Springs, Colorado. It was there that they opened the first Mona Lisa in 1995 to rave reviews, and the great reviews are continuing up here. They recently moved their operations here to Nampa. The Mona Lisa is the first and only fondue restaurant in the Treasure Valley. Fondue is a Swiss creation that was created during hard times. The Swiss made large blocks of cheese to carry them through the winter. These would be melted down and used for dipping their food. Fondues have now taken on dessert with melted chocolate. But as you can tell by the name, the Mona Lisa fits a more Italian motif than Swiss.

This is one book that you cannot judge by its cover. The parking lot is still dirt from the last restaurant that was in the building. The building has few, if any windows, and the location is not the most elegant in town. However once you are inside, you are in a whole new world.

Upon entering the building you look at what it is to be a street in Paris. The first thing you are

confronted with is the Bastille, which happens to be where the bathrooms are. From there looking to your right, you can see the fronts of many homes. There are

The Mona Lisa Fondue Restaurant

102 11th Ave.,
Nampa

Reviewed by
Scott Timm



two floors to the building, and the tables have plenty of separation for your romantic dinner.

The menu is pricey for a college budget, but still well worth a trip for a special celebration or that special person in your life.

The choices are limited, but a

lot can still be done here. To have a four-course dinner, it will set you back \$24 plus drinks. The first course is either a garden or Caesar salad. The next is the cheese fondue. You are given a plate of fresh fruit and vegetables, as well as a basket of bread. There are three choices of cheese to choose from. A wine based, beer based, and beer based with salsa. For those of you Nazarenes out there, the alcohol will burn out of the cheese. The next course is the main one. You are brought out a grill to grill up your cuts of chicken, beef, or seafood. There are also rosemarie potatoes with other vegetables, plus six house-made dipping sauces.

Finally comes the best part of the evening: the chocolate dipping. There are three choices here also, milk, dark, and white chocolate. The last plate is full of strawberries, cheesecake, bananas, marshmallows, and other delightful morsels.

I know this is a really expensive dinner for most of the people reading this. You can also just get a couple of courses or even come just for the dessert. The main course choices start at around ten

dollars and go up from there. Dessert starts at around seven dollars. The night my date and I were there the server was more than willing to bring more fruit for us. So if you do decide to go to Marriott for

Who would have thought that the most romantic place to spend Valentine's Day would be in Nampa? Well, it just so happens that it is.

dinner go to the Mona Lisa for Dessert. You will not regret the decision. Whatever you do, you must eat here at least once in your NNC career. I have eaten all over the world, and nothing has compared to eating at the Mona Lisa this past week. On weekends you should call for reservations at 442-1400.

ShowTimes

In Nampa This Week

Cineplex-Odeon
465-4957Thin Red Line R - 350 800
In Dreams R - 435 700 920
Stepmom PG - 330 630 930
Varsity Blues R - 415 730 955
You've Got Mail PG - 400 715 940
Patch Adams PG-13 - 530 750 1010Linden 3
454-8687Gloria R - 510 730 940
Virus R - 520 715 930
A Civil Action PG-13 - 500 720 935Nampa Frontier Cinemas
467-7469

Babe: Pig in the City G - 700

Karcher Reel Theatre
377-2620Babe: Pig in the City G 200 350 535
730
I Still Know What You Did Last Summer R - 220 700
Meet Joe Black PG-13 - 915
Vampires R - 445 900

The theatres listed above reserve the right to change their showtimes without notice.

Call for showtime information at the following cinemas:

The Flicks 342-4222
Edwards 21 377-1700

Possum by Ryan Close



Paper covers rock - Impeached! Time for a wristslap

In case you've been too busy to follow the Trial Of The Century in the U.S. Senate, here's the complete official transcript so far:

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye! All persons shut up and pay attention for the trial of the impeachment of the president of the United States, William Jefferson Clinton, on charges of messing around! No chewing of gum!

SEN. LOTT: At this time, in accordance with the United States Senate Big Book O' Rules, Sen. Thurmond shall swear in the Chief Justice of the United States.

SEN. THURMOND: Raise your right hand.
(The Chief Justice raises his hand.)

SEN. THURMOND (whispering to Sen. Lott): Why is he raising his hand?

SEN. LOTT: You told him to.

SEN. THURMOND: I told WHO to?

SEN. LOTT: The Chief Justice.

SEN. THURMOND: Well, that's different. (To the Chief Justice:) Do you solemnly swear to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth, until death do you part?

THE CHIEF JUSTICE: I do.

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SEN. THURMOND: You do WHAT?

SEN. LOTT: At this time, the Chief Justice shall administer the Oath Of Solemn Swearing to all senators hereintofores present.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE: Do you solemnly swear that in all things appertaining to and in pursuance of the trial of the impeachment of William James Madison Clinton, cross your heart and hope to die, including engine and transmission for three years or 30,000 miles, whichever comes first?

SENATORS: I do.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE: At this time, the Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee shall present the Articles of Impeachment of President Abraham Lincoln Clinton.

REP. HYDE (presenting the articles): Check out these babies.

SENATORS: Whoa.

SEN. KENNEDY: Does anybody want that cigar?

THE CHIEF JUSTICE: The articles of impeachment of President William Woodrow Wilson having been presented, the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader shall now proceed with the Choosing Of Who Goes First.

SEN. LOTT and SEN. DASCHLE: Once, twice, three ... shoot!

THE CHIEF JUSTICE: The Chair observes that the Minority Leader made a rock and the Majority Leader made paper. The Chair rules that paper beats rock.

SEN. DASCHLE: I didn't make a rock! I made a crab!

SEN. LOTT: Objection! This is Rock, Paper, Scissors! You can't make a crab!

SEN. DASCHLE: Yes I can! Look! He's waving his claws!

CHIEF JUSTICE: The Chair rules that paper beats crab. The prosecution shall proceed.

REP. HYDE: For its first witness, the prosecution calls to the stand White House aide Sidney Blumenthal. Mr. Blumenthal, please state your name.

MR. BLUMENTHAL: I don't recall.

SEN. THURMOND: Me either.

REP. HYDE: Mr. Blumenthal,

would it be fair to state that you remind a lot of people of some kind of burrowing carnivore?

PERRY MASON: Objection, your honor! He's badgering the witness!

REP. HYDE: I'll withdraw the question. The prosecution calls as its next witness Monica S. Lewinsky. Miss Lewinsky, on the evening of Nov. 15, 1995, did you go to the White House wearing "thong" style underwear?

MISS LEWINSKY: Yes.

REP. HYDE: And are these the underwear in question?

PERRY MASON: Objection! He's wearing them backward!

THE CHIEF JUSTICE: The Chair will allow it.

REP. HYDE: And while you were thus bethonged, Miss Lewinsky, did the president, William Baines Johnson, to your knowledge, commit a high crime or misdemeanor or take some form of gander?

SEN. THURMOND: Are we voting on Barbecue Safety Awareness Week?

REP. HYDE: Not right now.

SEN. THURMOND: Good, because I'm against it.

MISS LEWINSKY: Yes.

REP. HYDE: Yes WHAT?

MISS LEWINSKY: I don't recall.
SEN. THURMOND: Or maybe I'm for it.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE: You know, The Chair has been thinking, and The Chair is starting to wonder if maybe crab beats paper, after all. Because the crab could EAT the paper, right? Is The Chair right?

SEN. LOTT: How come you always refer to yourself as "The Chair?"

THE CHIEF JUSTICE: The Chair doesn't know; The Chair just always has. Even as a child, The Chair would tell its mother, "Wah! The Chair wants a bottle!" Speaking of which, The Chair could eat a horse. All in favor of lunch say "Aye."

SENATORS: Aye!

SEN. THURMOND: You may now kiss the bride.

SEN. KENNEDY: This thing tastes TERRIBLE.

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