

# THE Crusader

Northwest Nazarene University

## Science building creates new opportunities

by ALLI SCHISLER

When asked what aspect of the new health and science building he is most excited about, Dr. Dan Nogales, Dean of the School of Health and Science, replies, "The thing I'm most excited about is probably the air-conditioning." The existing building's air-conditioning system is literally non-existent. All joking aside, however, the new science building—in the architectural style of the Helstrom Business Center and the Brandt Center—is the talk of the science faculty.

While there was originally discussion of remodeling the existing structure, that idea was vetoed when the possibility of a new building

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# Budget issues hit SGA

## Why did the SGA General account hit 48 dollars?

by AIMEE NILES & ALLI SCHISLER

At the end of last semester, the SGA General Fund was projected to be roughly \$10,000. At the beginning of this semester, it held \$48.

The General Fund exists for classes and clubs to request money for projects, events, etc., that they did not anticipate during budgeting time in the spring. SGA (Student Government Association) receives a budget comprised of student fees; full-time undergraduate students pay \$85 per semester to SGA, and part-time students pay \$45 per semester.

Out of the budget come SGA officer funds, class council funds, and club funds. In the spring, classes and clubs can request a specific amount of money from SGA. Then the Ways and Means Committee (a part of the Senate) in conjunction with the business manager allocates the funds. The General Fund is comprised of the money left in the SGA budget after all funds have been given out.

Ryan Harter, SGA business manager, said that SGA was "hoping for \$8,000 to \$9,000 in the General Fund." Tim Milburn, director of campus life, said that a "healthy fund" holds approximately \$8,000.

Why did SGA begin this



semester with \$48 in its General Fund? Different parties provide different answers. Ryan Harter says changes in enrollment have resulted in a depleted General Fund. Tim Milburn attributes the difference to enrollment numbers—among other factors—saying SGA "Budgeted from a growth mindset and didn't have the growth they anticipated." Cary Cook, the vice president for student development, says "All indicators point to the fact that SGA probably used wrong (student enrollment) numbers in budgeting."

Joel Pearsall, the vice president for financial affairs, said that SGA's estimated budget was based on a projected number

of 1,115 undergraduate students. To determine SGA's budget, 1,115 was multiplied by \$85 and then multiplied by .9 (a coefficient used by the Business Office which accounts for part-time students).

The General Fund matters because it allows classes and clubs to request additional funding.

At the September 19, 2007 Senate meeting, Harter said in his weekly officer report that the SGA General Fund now holds \$4,800. This money currently in the SGA General Fund was absorbed from the budgets of inactive clubs.

Harter says the budget will "pretty much" stay at \$4,800 this semester, although more funds from inactive clubs may be absorbed.

## TWIRP takes the campus by storm

by T.J. BARR

The boys have been asked, the theme has been announced, and the tickets have been bought. That's right boys and girls, it's TWIRP season. TWIRP has received a lot of attention this year due to the earlier date and has caused many girls to panic, trying to find that perfect way to ask that special someone to join them for two full days of fun and adventure.

SGA Social Vice President Lacey Smith, the girl in charge this year, was very tight lipped about the events of day one. She did however disclose the base plan for day two of TWIRP. The theme this year is Noah's Ark, so be prepared for lots of animals and bearded men.

Day two will start with a meal at Story Park, located in Meridian, catered by Panda Express. After filling their bellies students will travel into Boise to test their wits in a fish-shaped corn maze (sticking with the Noah's Ark theme of the night).

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## Political Spotlight

by TREVAN HAUCK

Presidential campaigning has been going on since Bush began the first day of his second term. With over 14 mainstream candidates representing both Democrats and Republicans, only one is a woman. Senator Hilary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., is the first female to have a serious chance at the Democratic presidential nomination.

Clinton is no stranger to the White House calling it home for eight years as she served in the role of our 43<sup>rd</sup> First Lady. After leaving the White House in 2000, Clinton ran for the junior Senator slot in New York later that year and won.

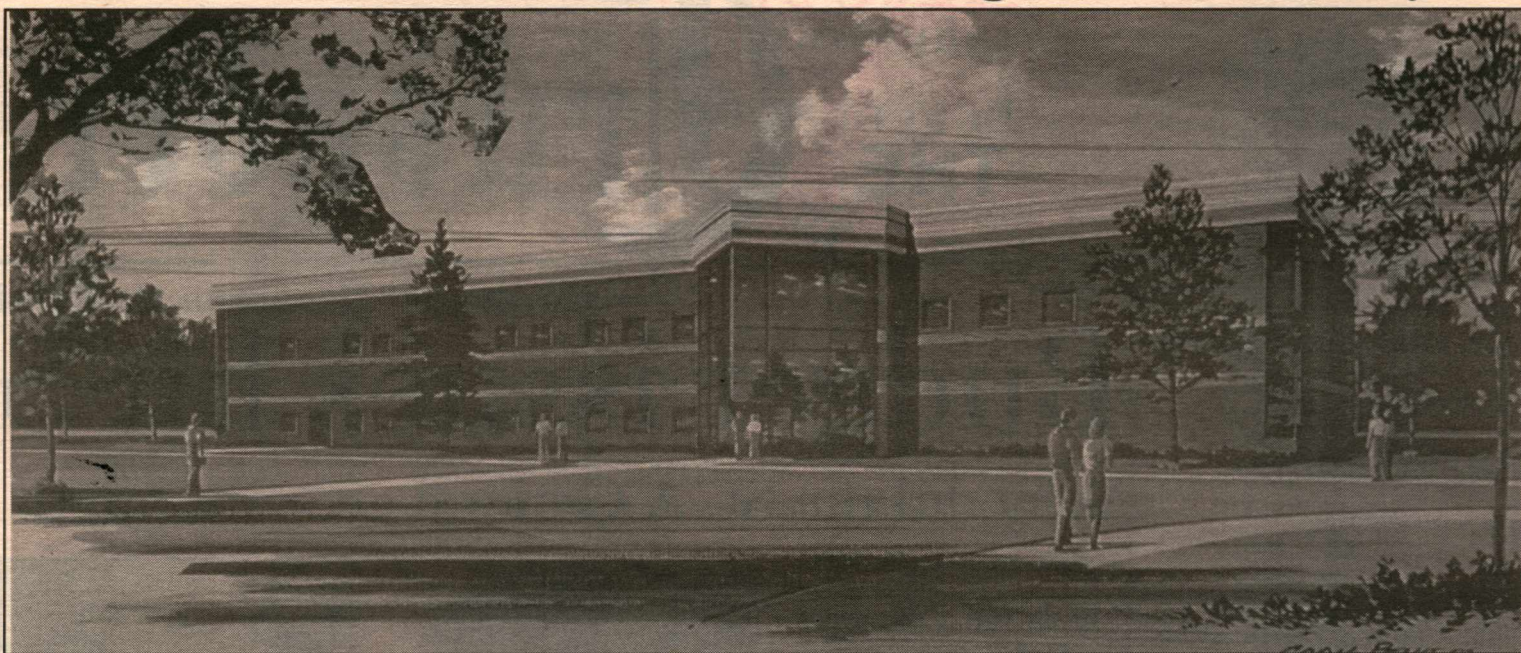
Sen. Clinton announced her campaign for president in early January of this year. While she stands to the left on many major issues including gun control, gay rights, and a woman's right to choose, she has been considered a moderate in her party. Clinton recently released her much-anticipated health care plan that promises to "reign in insurance companies".

Here is an excerpt from her campaign website outlining the main points in her National Healthcare Plan:

- **Affordable:** "Unlike the current health system where insurance premiums send people into bankruptcy, the plan provides tax credits for working families to help them cover their costs. The tax credits will ensure that working families never have to pay more than a limited percentage of their income for health care."
- **Reliable:** "It's portable. If you change or lose your job, you keep your health care."

Clinton is shaping up to be a formidable opponent to both Democrats and Republicans vying for the presidency. To learn more about Presidential hopeful Hilary Clinton log onto - [www.hillaryclinton.com](http://www.hillaryclinton.com)

# Science: new building underway



Artistic concept of new science building

for the same or less cost was presented. The new building will be located between the Riley Library and the Wiley Learning Center. Perhaps, quips Dr. Jennifer Chase, Biology professor, a rhyming name such as "The Smiley Science Building" would be appropriate. She remains open to other suggestions, however.

The mystery, though, is when the 50,000 square foot facility will be complete. Nogales notes that all dates are still tentative, though construction was supposed to start in June. The task at hand is matching fundraising with projected costs of the building. No matter the date of construction, the faculty is not wasting any time getting ready. Already, equipment is being sorted and supply closets cleaned out.

by ALLI SCHISLER & AIMEE NILES

Following last year's substantial increase in enrollment, the size of this year's incoming freshmen class was expected to be just as impressive. Indeed, former Admissions Counselor Shawn

## "pledges of donors and alumni have added up to over 8 million dollars"

What is making this new building possible? Donations were jumpstarted by Harold and Phyllis Thomas' 4.5 million dollar donation which was announced at the President's dinner this time last year. Since then, the pledges of donors and alumni have added up to over 8 million dollars, which, Chase boasts, is the most money ever raised for a single project.

And while all departments in the School of Health and Science will benefit from the new structure, the nursing department is especially excited. Currently housed in the Emerson Administration

Building, the nursing department will finally have plenty of room for its 180 students. The nursing labs will be set with state-of-the-art simulations and equipment. Most importantly, the nursing department will be reintegrated with the other departments in its school.

Also exciting are the hang-out rooms—the building plans do actually allot space for such areas—which will be located near the faculty offices. They will provide a place for students to relax and study, complete with couches and white boards. Ultimately,

non-health and science majors should be excited too, for the new building will have more labs which mean more scheduling options for required science classes and lab periods.

Nogales—clearly excited about the features of the new structure—notes that the biggest challenge he foresees is, "Getting all the needs of all the different programs within the constraints of a 50,000 square foot building." And when asked what challenges she anticipates, Chase thinks it will be the process of moving equipment into the new building while still using the equipment. "But," she jests, "We're bright people." In other words, with the prospect of the new facility in sight, the faculty is more than willing to deal with such minor inconveniences!

## University enrollment fluctuating

Blenker notes, "Everything up until March looked huge." That is, based on the number of prospective students in the database, admissions counselors hoped for record-breaking numbers. Throughout the spring and summer, however,

it became apparent that the incoming freshmen class would be smaller than hoped.

While the reasons for this remain ambiguous, Blenker theorizes a lack of emotional connection to the school on the part of the prospective students. Even so, there is

an overall increase of 4.5 percent in graduate and undergraduate enrollment.

This boost is due in part to the recent expansion of NNU's graduate programs. Traditional graduate students now comprise approximately 30% of the student body.

# The search for a new president begins

by ANDREA SCHILLING

After serving at Northwest Nazarene University for 15 years, President Richard Hagood has announced his retirement for the end of the 2007-2008 school year.

With the school's centennial within the six-year mark, plenty of preparation is needed for the event. Because Hagood had not intended on staying in office that long, a new president needed to be decided in order for the centennial's celebrations and events to be ready by 2013. "Retiring after this year just made sense, this is the best time for transition," said Hagood.

The search for the new president is on the forefront of everyone's mind, as committees are currently being created to allow this process to begin. President Hagood will not have a role in choosing his successor. "It is inappropriate to have a say in the result," said Hagood. "This is the professional way of choosing a new president at all higher education institutions." The Board of Trustees will hold the most significant part in the



President Hagood in his office. Courtesy of nnu.edu

selection process. Leading the Board of Trustees is Reverend Randy Craker, Northwest District Superintendent. "The Board of Trustees will have a list of qualifications they want in the new president. They conduct the entire process," said Hagood. While the initial search has yet to begin, the Board of Trustees is currently developing a leadership profile, the first step in this course of action. Starting in the latter part of September, the Board of Trustees will be on campus where they will be speaking with faculty, staff, alumni and students concerning

the situation. "The entire search is a very open process with the amount of input the Board of Trustees is asking for from so many people," said Hagood.

Through these diverse forums, by the middle of October the committee should have a list of expectations so they can begin their search for NNU's new president.

Students are able to get involved with this process, especially since the Board of Trustees will be holding a forum for the students in a few days. This forum will be held Friday, September 28 at 3 p.m.

in Wordsworth. "Students will not only be able to give their input on what qualifications they think are important, but they will also be able to go online give feedback as well," said Hagood. "Landon Loeber is leading the students in the process, working with the Board of Trustees."

During his time serving as president, Hagood led the league change in athletics from NAIA to NCAA. Despite Hagood's retirement, no ramifications to Crusader sports are expected.

"No changes should be made to athletics," said Hagood.

President Hagood hopes the new president will be decided near March 2008. "I announced my retirement this past July, which gives the Board of Trustees almost a full year to find a replacement," said Hagood.

While a decision is nowhere near completion, expect administration to be busy in preparation for the change in power. "This year is not a year of rest and relaxation—we have a lot of get done," said Hagood. "There is a long list of things for this year, but we are pushing forward."

## Iranian Pres. under fire at Columbia University



Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, speaks at Columbia University Monday, Sept. 24, 2007 in New York. (AP Photo/Stephen Chernin)

NEW YORK (AP) —

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad questioned the official version of the Sept. 11 attacks and defended the right to cast doubt on the Holocaust in a tense appearance Monday at Columbia University, whose president accused the hard-line leader of behaving like "a petty and cruel dictator."

Ahmadinejad smiled at first but appeared increasingly agitated, decrying the "insults" and "unfriendly treatment." Columbia President Lee Bollinger and audience members took him to task over Iran's human-rights record and foreign policy, as well as Ahmadinejad's statements denying the Holocaust and calling for the disappearance of Israel.

"Mr. President, you exhibit all the signs of a petty and cruel dictator," Bollinger said, to loud applause.

He said Ahmadinejad's denial of the Holocaust might fool the illiterate and ignorant.

"When you come to a place like this it makes you simply ridiculous," Bollinger said. "The truth is that the Holocaust is the most documented event in human history."

## Democrats push for Iraq troop withdrawal timeline fails

by TONY NAPIER

Capitol Hill was up in arms again Friday as Democrats attempted to push a controversial amendment through the Senate that would set "definite timelines" for troop withdraw from Iraq. The amendment was proposed by Michigan Democrat Carl Levin and called for withdraw of combat troops in under nine months. It was offered as a compromise with moderate Republicans in order to bring them over to the other side of the aisle.

It wasn't enough, though, as

**"...supermajority of 60 was not obtained..."**

the amendment failed with a vote of 47 to 47. The needed supermajority of 60 was not obtained largely due to the defection of three Democratic senators: Ben Nelson, D-Neb., Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., and Mark Pryor, D-Ark.

Democrats weren't the only one's not holding the party lines as three Republicans also defected and voted "yes" for the amendment: Chuck Hagel,

R-Neb., Gordon Smith, R-Ore., and Olympia Snowe, R-Maine. It is also apparent the Democrats have decided to abandon their attempt to cut troop funding when on Thursday the Senate voted down a proposal by Russ Feingold, D-Wis., that would do just that. The vote was 70-28.

This comes just one week after Gen. David Petraeus delivered his report to congress outlining the progress in Iraq. Many Democrats are still skeptical of the prospect of success in Iraq and charge the general with being "too optimistic".

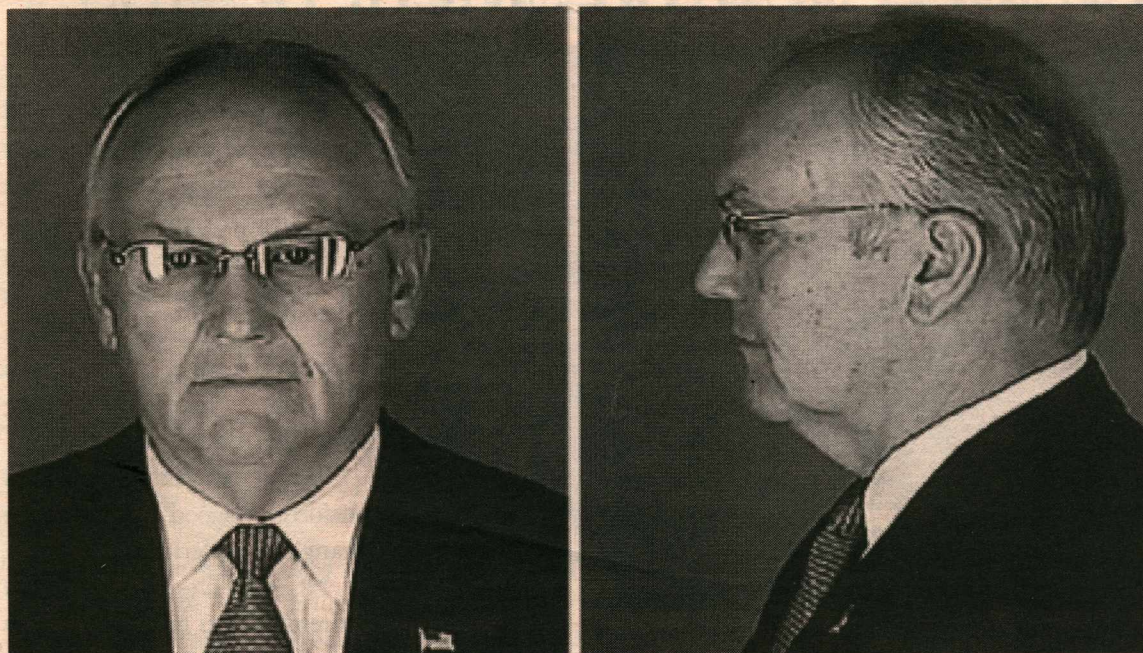
However, the Senate did pass a resolution condemning the MoveOn.org newspaper ad calling General Petraeus "General Betray-Us", accusing the general of "cooking the books for the White House", with a vote of 72-25. "This amendment gives our colleagues a chance to distance themselves from these despicable tactics; distance themselves from the notion that some group literally has them on a leash, like a puppet on a string," said Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky.

# NNU intern reflects on Senator Craig

by TREVAN HAUCK

This last month the political realm of Idaho has become a media circus surrounding the actions of United States Senator Larry Craig. Craig was arrested this past June at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport after a police officer that was a part of a sting operation allegedly caught him attempting to solicit lewd conduct. Senator Craig entered a guilty plea at arraignment and was released after paying a fine.

The Idaho Senator gave his apologies, but no admission of guilt at his press conference earlier this month saying, "it is my intent to resign from the senate, effective September 30th". Soon after this it became clear that the use of the word "intent" by the Senator



A police mug shot of Sen. Larry Craig after he was arrested at the Minneapolis-St. Paul airport. Courtesy of edition.cnn.com

was no mistake. In an extraordinary turn of events, a voice-mail recording left by the senator himself prior to his press conference revealed that he believed Senator Arlen Specter (R - PA), was going to rally to

his aid which was why Craig did not definitively state his resignation. This recording was intending for one of Senator Craig's lawyers but ended up in the hands of a citizen instead. Northwest Nazarene Univer-

sity has sent many students to Senator Craig's office in Boise to work as interns and has even bestowed upon Craig an honorary degree. Brandon Johnson, a fourth year political science major, recently had the

opportunity to be the foreign policy intern for Craig in the summer of 2006 at his Washington D.C. office. "Senator Craig is a brilliant man with a real passion for Idaho and Idaho business" said Johnson. "I loved working for him and would do it again."

When asked about Craig's recent activities Johnson said "I wasn't very surprised when I heard the allegations, jokes about his sexuality were constantly coming to me from his constituents. Senator Craig's past stance on homosexual issues cause his actions to make him a hypocrite and I believe he has lost a lot of trust with the people of Idaho. However I do not believe that any sexual preference he may have will cause him to perform poorly as a U.S. Senator."

## McCain to attack rival Giuliani over shift on gun rights

by LIBBY QUAID

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican presidential candidate John McCain lobbed a thinly veiled attack at fellow rival Rudy Giuliani, describing the former mayor's "devious" attempt with a lawsuit "to bankrupt our great gun manufacturers."

Giuliani said he preferred to focus on the lion's share of issues on which he and the National Rifle Association agree.

Sen. McCain, R-Ariz., and the former New York mayor are among several officials speaking Friday at a National Rifle Association conference.

In his prepared speech, McCain refers to a lawsuit by Giuliani and other mayors against the gun industry, to Giuliani's shifting Second Amendment position and

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to Giuliani's use of the term "extremists" in relation to the NRA.

"My friends, gun owners are not extremists; you are the core of modern America," McCain said in the prepared remarks. "The Second Amendment is unique in the world and at the core of our constitutional freedoms. It guarantees an individual right to keep and bear arms. To argue anything else is to reject the clear meaning of our founding fathers."

"But the clear meaning of the Second Amendment has not stopped those who want to punish firearms owners, and those who make and sell

firearms, for the actions of criminals," McCain said.

He mentioned "a particularly devious effort to use lawsuits to bankrupt our great gun manufacturers."

"A number of big-city mayors decided it was more important to blame the manufacturers of a legal product than it was to control crime in their own cities," McCain said.

Ironically, a federal court in New York will hear arguments Friday on the lawsuit Giuliani filed as mayor against gun makers and distributors over violent crimes involving guns.

Giuliani said Thursday he doesn't comment on pending lawsuits.

"I think right now, the best approach is to focus on what can be done at the state and local level to deal with criminals who use guns, given the level of crime in this country and what's happened with it, as opposed to where we were maybe 10, 12 years ago," he said at a news conference in northern Virginia.

"What's needed in this country right now is to focus on people who use guns and use them illegally," he said.

Giuliani said candidates sometimes disagree with interest groups.

"Tomorrow, when I go before the NRA, I'm going to emphasize the areas in which I think there is a great deal of agreement," he said, adding that he would outline those commonalities on Friday.

Borrowing a phrase from President Reagan, he said, "As I've said many, many times, my 80 percent friend is not my 20 percent enemy."

On the Second Amendment, Giuliani has said the right to bear arms applies to militias but also said recently that it applies to individuals.

He described the NRA as "extremists" in a 1995 interview with PBS' Charlie Rose: "The NRA, for some reason, I think goes way overboard. It's almost what the extremists on the other side do. I think the extremists of the left and the extremists of the right have essentially the same tactic, the slippery slope theory. 'If you give one point, then your entire argument is going to fall apart,' and we kind of get destroyed by that," Giuliani said.

# Missing: 10K

STAFF EDITORIAL

There's something fishy going on with the SGA General Fund. The facts just don't add up. According to Business Manager Ryan Harter, the reason behind the money shortfall is enrollment. However, according to Carey Cook, Vice President of Student Development, enrollment is only part of the story; the other part may very well be incorrect budgeting procedures on the part of the SGA business manager and the Ways and means committee. Last spring at the end of the budgeting process, SGA expected around \$10,000 in the SGA General Fund. This fall, they had \$48. This is a significant difference, especially when you consider the traditional undergraduate pays \$85 a semester to that fund. This is evidence of a flawed system. When elected or selected to be an SGA officer, your training is supposed to come from the person you are succeeding. Of all the positions, the Business Manager typically receives the most training. The newly appointed Business Manager sits down with the previous Business Manager, Daphne Van Stone, the school controller of accounts, and Jan Gellerson, the head of payroll, and discuss how to do the job and manage accounts. However, when Business

Manager Harter was asked if he felt adequately trained he responded, no. Training needs to reflect the difficulty and gravity of the position. It is little wonder that issues arise with so much responsibility and so little preparation. In the next year, we challenge SGA to create a more functional and accurate training system. Next year's officers should come into their positions well equipped and able to handle any situation that arises. SGA Business Manager Harter has decided to remedy their error by absorbing the budgets of inactive clubs. From this, they have been able to glean \$4,800. What is confusing is the absorption of these budgets took place with no prior consultation nor approval of the Senate. The Senate allocated the funds in the first place, it seems logical that they would also hold the power to execute such an action. As students, we should be concerned with these issues because it is our money they are dealing with. This money is used for clubs, campus activities, charitable works and individual class needs as allocated by Senate. Without a healthy General Fund, clubs may be left with few options when it comes to dealing with unexpected expenditures.

## High hopes for this year's Crusader newspaper

by AMBER FORD

This paper looks drastically different than you may be used to. Some may call it a good thing; others may consider it a step backwards. However, I can assure you that I only have the best interest of this publication at heart.

My goal this year is to make The Crusader the leader of discussions on campus. I want people to get talking about things that are important. Does anyone really know what is going on in the world on this campus? What kind of responsibility do we have as students to know what is going on in the world?

I operate under the assumption that people have an infinite capacity for good. The problem is that we don't

take the opportunities that we have to get involved and make a difference. That is why I believe in the power of a campus newspaper and the great influence that it can have. If people are informed, then they are much more likely to get involved on campus and take an interest in world affairs.

I remember last year the "Invisible Children" issue wasn't on anyone's radar until individuals and SGA began spreading the word and held a showing of the video in chapel. There are plenty of issues that we can help spread awareness about simply by informing students through the newspaper such as the genocide in Darfur or the war in Iraq. In the past, the newspaper was subjected to mockery

and diminished to being used as a floor covering for painting projects. A newspaper should be much more valuable than that. I would like to see more people reading the newspaper and enjoying it. I want it to contain things that students are interested in: the latest sports updates, local concerts, international news.

Mostly, I see our campus becoming apathetic to the issues around them. Jane Goodall says that "The greatest danger to our future is apathy." I would have to agree with her on this one, however I believe that we can change this before it is too late. We, as students, should be involved in what is going on and off our own campus. I know a lot of people here at NNU that don't get involved

simply because they don't know how and they have a lot to offer our school.

If you care about something, start a club! Write a letter to your congressman! I am sure that you can find some other people on campus that share some of the same passions that you do. It is all about putting yourself out there and getting informed.

If you care about what we write in The Crusader, write a letter to the editor to be published. Visit our webpage and start a discussion thread. Email me with suggestions. My job and goal this year is to make this a newspaper for the whole NNU community. Let us know what you want to see and I will do my best this year to make this a paper that our school can be proud of.

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## Further consequences for Senator Craig

by TONY NAPIER

When we elect a state representative what qualities/values do we expect that man or women to possess? Does the job require honesty or say even integrity? Must the candidate be of the same moral background in order to govern a people? What role does experience play in the bigger picture? What exactly is it that makes one candidate viable and another not?

These are questions that have left Idaho Republicans scratching their heads. Over the past several weeks we have all been reading the press about Senator Larry Craig and the "incident" in the Minneapolis airport, allegedly involving an attempt to solicit lewd conduct.

If Senator Craig's guilty plea, is in fact just that, a true guilty plea then what does that mean for Idahoans who have trusted this man to represent them? Furthermore what does it say about his ability to govern in the future?

There are several different dimensions to the dilemma that Senator Craig has found himself in with Idaho voters. Most obvious of all is the fact that Senator Craig has been a very outspoken representative of the Idaho people, against gay marriage and other gay rights issues. So, for it to come out that he, himself, may be a homosexual is hypocritical in the eyes of many Idaho voters.

Also, Senator Craig knew exactly what he was doing when he was arrested. In reading the transcripts with the arresting officer you will find, as I did, that there is almost no plausible reason for doing what he did other than seeking lewd behavior.

Unfortunately, I have sided with the prevailing opinion on the matter of Craig's guilt; furthermore, I assert that it is time for Senator Larry Craig to step down from his Senate seat while the Republican Party still has time to save it.

If Craig decides to fight this issue in court and remains at his position the consequences will

be dire for the Republican Party in Idaho. The fact is that all it takes is one fairly moderate democrat to run against the new Republican candidate (you can bet the party isn't going to nominate Craig) and that seat is gone.

If Senator Craig is smart he will listen to his fellow Republicans and step down so that some like Lieutenant Governor James Risch can take over and use the last year of office to restore the prestige of the Republican Party in Idaho.

Now, aside from all of the political strategy I would like to speak of the man himself. I have never met Craig but from what I have heard he's not the warmest fellow, however, he has served the state of Idaho and our nation with distinction.

Despite his recent struggles and trials we must honor this man who has given so much of his life to the people he represents.

## Islam and Christianity fuse in one priest's faith

by AIMEE NILES

This past summer, Episcopal priest Ann Holmes Redding shocked many in the church when she announced she was both a Christian and a Muslim. In our society, Islam and Christianity are often painted as mortal enemies. I submit that this is a false picture of two religions and Rev. Redding is living proof. Islam is the second largest religion in the world and growing. It is an important feature of our world and understanding the connections between

Islam and Christianity is vital for our futures as Christian in a global society.

How does one become a Muslim? The simple answer is: you believe and proclaim the shahada. "There is no God but Allah, and Muhammad is his messenger." But does this contradict Christianity?

Let's unpack the shahada; "There is no God but Allah"... is there a contradiction here? As a Christian, I believe that God is God. There are no other gods. "Allah" is simply the Arabic word for God; Arab Christians use the word "Allah" too.

"Muhammad is his messenger", this might be on a little more shaky ground. However, why can't Muhammad be God's messenger? Throughout history, God has used the most unlikely of people for his works; why not a merchant from Mecca? I can use my experiences, my knowledge of the character of God and what He says in His word to try and understand the will of God. But ultimately, I cannot truly know. For me to say that God can't have used Muhammad would seem to be a little foolish. You can't

tell God what He can or cannot do—that puts God in a tiny, human-built box and God is too great and awesome to possibly be bound.

Given these basics, is there a problem? Here's the kicker; Islam doesn't recognize the divinity of Jesus Christ. Muslims believe in the virgin birth, the works of Christ and his ascension into heaven; however, they view him as a great man—not the Son of God. In fact, many Muslims view the declaration of Jesus as the Son of God as the deepest blasphemy. If you take Christ out of Christianity, we're

left with a difficult position.

Claiming both Christianity and Islam, it seems to me, is to be lukewarm in both. Christ is essential to Christianity—yet it is blasphemy in Islam. As Christians, we can learn so much from our Muslim brothers. Islam itself means submission to God—this is something we can take to heart. To serve God, we must first submit ourselves to God; this is not an easy task. Rev. Redding has done an excellent job in opening the discussion and introducing the similarities between Islam and Christianity.

# Immigration

The debate begins

## The Right

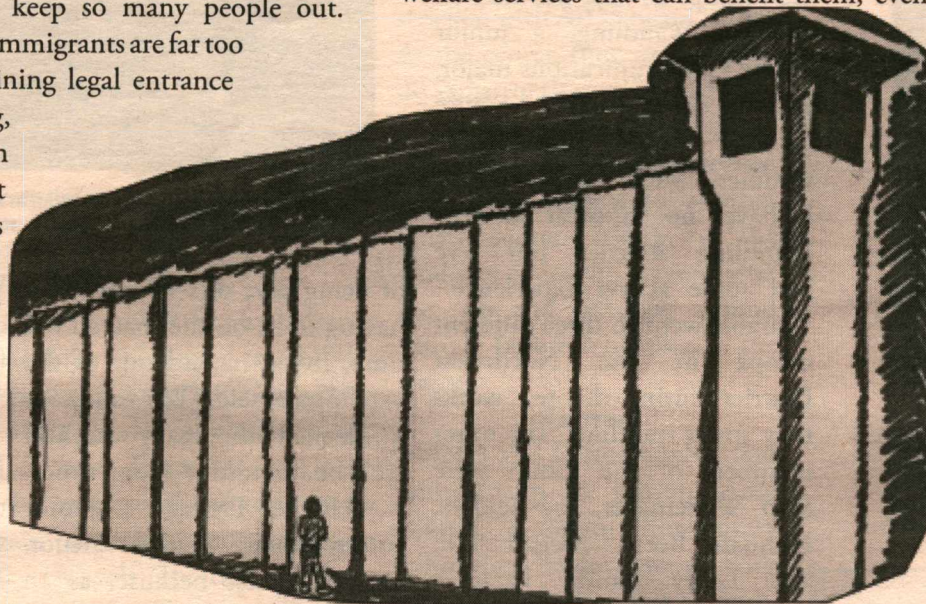
by TREVAN HAUCK



## The Left

by AIMEE NILES

Why does it matter that my family came to America in 1630 and someone else's came last year? My family did not have to follow stringent immigration laws, so why does anyone else's? The United States was founded on the backs and in the sweat and blood of immigrants. We are now dismissing this legacy as we are determined to keep so many people out. America's policies towards immigrants are far too harsh. The process for gaining legal entrance to this country is long, expensive and difficult. In fact, the process is so difficult several websites offer kits to potential immigrants. If a Mexican national is desperate enough to cross the deserts of Arizona, do you really think they can afford \$69.95 for a kit to tell you how to legally enter the country? That does not include the costs of actually paying all visa, resident and green card fees. In fact, the naturalization fees are as high as \$675. Instead of concentrating so much on building fences to keep people out of the United States, what if we tried fixing the reasoning behind the high rates of illegal immigration? Begin stronger economic development programs in places like Mexico and Guatemala. If there was a way to feed their families in their home country, the numbers of illegal immigrants will decrease dramatically. And now that they're in the country, why kick them out? Offer a path to citizenship that is both affordable and fair. The United States has historically done some pretty nasty things to certain countries, and by offering their citizens amnesty, perhaps it can help the goodwill process. No one thinks that there is a simple solution to this complex issue. However, there are better solutions than putting a fence along the borders.



Illegal Immigration has always been an issue in the United States and has received even more attention in recent months as it has become a defining issue for candidates in the upcoming 2008 presidential elections. It has been estimated that more than 11 million people are residing in the US illegally, of course how one can accurately document a group who most likely does not want to be found is beyond me. Most illegals come here because they want a better life; they say they want to be U.S citizens, and who can blame them? Our country provides welfare services that can benefit them, even as illegal residents. We

also provide illegals with many avenues to jobs, healthcare, and education.

Some on Capital Hill believe that the best way deal with those already here is to grant them amnesty and allow them to remain. One recent attempt at this was the Secure America and Orderly Immigration Act which was first introduced to Senate on May 12, 2005.

This Bi-Partisan bill, whose main supporters have been Senators John McCain, R-Ariz, and Edward Kennedy, D-Mass, caused much heated debate and was shot down only to be revised and repurposed in 2006 and 2007. The reason this bill continues to face rejection is because Congress knows that allowing these people as residents while circumventing the traditional laws will not fly with U.S. citizens. We have earned the right to call ourselves Americans, making us a part of the greatest nation on earth. Handing out this free pass just devalues those rights.

There are many problems with allowing illegal immigrants to stay here unchecked and unauthorized; however to me there is one that stands far above the rest - breaking our laws. They want to come here because this country is so great, yet the first thing they do is break the law. Thousands of other people are waiting in line to assimilate into the United States of America the proper way, but these 11 plus million people just show up and we are supposed to let them cheat their way in? Personally I have no respect for someone who completely disregards the laws of my country that have been put in place to keep order and in the same breath turn around and expect that very same system to protect them.

“There are many problems with allowing illegal immigrants to stay here unchecked and unauthorized”



“It saddens me that our xenophobic attitudes slam the door in the face of millions of people.”

# Students come home challenged and



by STEPHANIE ELLIOTT

## Travel Groups

NNU sends out three travel groups every summer to camps and churches throughout the Northwest District of the Nazarene church. Each group centers around slightly different duties and activities. Parable is chiefly a drama group, performing skits at the camps. Covenant is a musical group. In Witness the members are counselors for junior and senior high camps all over the district.

Dax Wandling, a junior Public Communications major, said he chose Parable because he had already traveled one summer with them. "And I have no musical talent," Wandling joked, "but I've had some acting experience."

Parable went to three different camps in the Northwest District during the ten weeks they spent traveling. The other members of the group were Seth Waltemeyer, Joe Seiders, Hannah Beers, Megan Hill and Lacey Smith. Parable's theme this year was simply love. Senior Public Communications major Chris Spicer chose to audition for Covenant because he had already traveled for two summers with Witness and wanted to try something different.

Covenant worked half of the summer as counselors at camps—4 camps total—and half the summer giving concerts all around the Northwest District. They held concerts in every state in the Northwest District but Alaska. They gave 40 concerts total, all at churches except for one that was at a camp meeting. Their theme this year was the presence of God through hard times.

"One of the biggest challenges



Above left: Dr. Rotz's group on safari in Kenya (from left to right): Megan Myer, Clara Fullerton, Joe Seiders, Trevan Hauck, Kip Garlington, Amber Ford, Andra Weaver,

of being part of Covenant was having to be on the road all the time, living in and out of the van," Spicer said. "But you get to know each other really well, and we'll be friends for a long time."

Haline Freitas, a junior International Studies major, chose Witness because, as an exchange student from Brazil, she was excited about an opportunity to experience American camps. When asked about what she would take away from the camp experience, she said, "Many of the kids don't have their own faith, they just have their parents' faith. It was great when I saw kids realize that God is their God, not just their parents' God."

Witness went to seven camps during the summer, visiting Alaska, Washington, Idaho and Oregon. They also ran an NNU booth at NYC 2007 in St. Louis, Mo. The other members of Witness were Jeb Anderson, Aaron Van de Hey, Stacey Nilsen, and Kristin Gould. Aside from being counselors,

Witness organized and created games and devotions for the kids at the camps.

## Youth in Mission

Kendra Hughes, a junior Elementary Education major, is one of the students from NNU who worked with Youth in Mission. She chose to go to on a mission to Guatemala because she felt a strong calling to participate in a longer mission trip. "I love the Latino culture," she added. "I wanted to be challenged and grow in the Lord."

Hughes went with a team of eleven people, eight from Nazarene schools around the United States and three people from Mexico who felt a call to missions. The team did some construction in schools, led Bible studies, held medical clinics, worked with preteens sponsored by Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, and evangelized all throughout their mission work. "I loved seeing children come forward to accept Christ," Hughes said. "And I will always remember the Mexican



The summer travel groups, top down:  
 Witness: Aaron VanDeHey, Kristin Gould, Jeb Anderson, Haline Freitas, Stacy Nilsen.  
 Parable: Seth Waltemeyer, Megan Hill, Hannah Beers, Lacey Smith, Dax Wandling, Joe Seiders.  
 Covenant: Grant Miller, Chris Spicer, James Snyder, Eric Knape, Brittan Aebischer, Laurie Burgemeister, Amy Bloomquist, Jordan Freiburghaus



# and changed from summer missions



Eric Seward, Erica Boelhke, Leah Whiting, Louie Beech, Rylee Curtis, Allison Zook.

members of our team and how close I got to them, even with the culture differences.”

## India

Several students went to India this summer. Junior Katey Rickart and sophomore Jenna Redmond went on separate trips to India with Youth in Mission, while Karissa Ellingson went to India with a music ministry group put together by Ryan and Angie Ketchum. The other group members were Alison Cavanaugh, Micah Turner, Jessica Foster and Todd McArthur.

This team’s duties included holding concerts in churches in Bangalore, India, but also helping throughout the week at a children’s home. The group also got to be in charge and lead worship at a NYI Convention in India.

“This trip just opened my eyes even more to how much God loves us all,” Ellingson said. “People are so precious—worth loving, worth spending time with. And it’s something to do every day.”

## Kenya

Dr. Carol Rotz, an adjunct theology professor at NNU, went with a team of 12 students to Kenya for a course called Life and Teachings of Jesus. The purpose of the trip was to gain a global perspective on the Gospels. The trip was three weeks long and was spent mostly at Africa Nazarene University in Nairobi, Kenya. The group left the week after NNU’s school year ended, and was at ANU for their graduation ceremony. They, in fact, sang with the choir at the school for graduation.

Aside from taking part in the events at ANU, the team went to St. Paul’s Children’s Home and spent time ministering to the children there, helping out in what ways they could, washing clothes, dishes, and playing with the children. They also visited Woodley School, a Nazarene primary school located in Kibera, the second largest slum in the world. The NNU team taught classes in Woodley School and bought

the supplies needed to make new chalkboards for them.

Rotz lived as a missionary in Kenya and taught at ANU for four years and was glad for the opportunity to visit again. “It was great to see the progress of the school and country,” she said.

## Ukraine

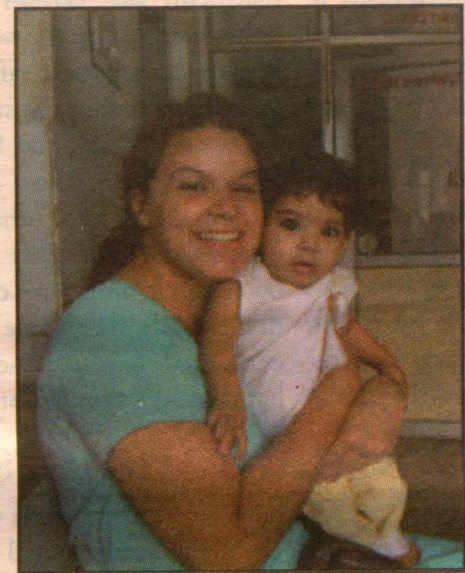
Dr. Dan Lawrence took 11 students to the Ukraine for part of May to work around the country with four local Ukrainians. While there, they worked at a rehab center for men and women who were stricken with AIDS near Celishi. At the center, they were able to do construction work and help bring them indoor plumbing.

The student team also worked with drug addicts in another rehab center. Many of the students ended up staying after the trip and traveling around Europe before returning to the states.

## Taiwan

NNU also hosted a work and witness trip to Taiwan. Amy Mattei, a senior Elementary Education major, went with Rob Carlson, Brandon Vaughn, and Peggy Egan to teach English to students in Taiwan. The team also did Vacation Bible School for two of the three weeks they were in the country.

There were many challenges on the trip, Mattei said, besides just basic communication. “What was the most difficult, though, was not being able to convey what we wanted them to know,” she said, “about why we worship one God, why God is great.” She spoke of feeling inadequate, but of God working through her inadequacy. She was grateful for the opening up of new possibilities for her in her future.



Top: The Ukraine team, pictured with some Ukrainian missionaries. Left to right: Brian Loeber, Dr. Dan Lawrence, Seth Clark, Alex Corn, Nataliya Borisov, Hannah Beers, Josh Clark, Lisetta Cook, Theresa Jones, Michelle Pounds, Joanna Higdon Middle: Katey Rickart with a new friend from India. Bottom: Brandon Vaughn, Rob Carlson, Michael T. Spengler, Amy Mattei and Peggy Egan enjoying the sights and shopping in Taiwan.

# Campus security upgrades staff and equipment in effort to improve safety

by T.J. BARR

As many have probably noticed, over the last couple of years NNU's security has been upgraded considerably. From the addition of the perimeter fence to the increased lighting, the people at the security office have made campus life much safer for students and faculty.

The security team has added full time, highly trained officers, some of them having over 20 years of experience, to the NNU team. This increase in staff has made it much easier to patrol the campus and increased the number of individuals on duty at any given time. As one of the duties of the security team is emergency response, these new members make the team incredibly efficient as they have more people to send in an emergency situation. The addition of a security ATV was also increased response

around campus, making it easier to get around and maneuver. The increased staff also makes for an increased presence of a security team which has an effect on the amount of crime in an area. The more security a criminal sees, the less likely he or she is to attempt a crime. This also makes the students and faculty feel safer as they have more confidence in the safety of the campus.

Another aspect of our safety is access to our campus for the outside world. People may complain about the barriers that cut off certain access points on campus, it is little known how much safer they make daily life for the students.

Darrel Stewart, the Security Directory at the campus station, reported that the number of accidents caused by through traffic has dropped dramatically. While the occasional fender bender still happens, the number of serious

crashes has dropped on campus and in the surrounding area.

The barriers, in combination with the perimeter fence, have cut down public access to our campus, making it harder for the casual passerby to just walk in. This has lowered the rate of car burglaries from the 19 experienced in January to December of 2006 to 1 from January to the present. The increased lighting in the parking lot has also made it harder for those who don't belong on campus to go unnoticed.

The phones that have recently appeared in front of many of the buildings make it easier to get a hold of security in case of emergency. The budget for safety has also allowed for an increase in fire prevention and containment in all of the dorms, making fire less of a worry than it was in the past.

One of the biggest additions to security is the placement



Left to right: Brandon Vaughn, Darrel Johnson and Brian Lineman pose with the security department's new ATV.

of card-scanners on several of the buildings. This has made unauthorized people wandering the dorms a thing of the past. The list of upgrades to our school goes on and on. Stewart and the rest of the team have plans to continue upgrading and expanding school safety when possible.

Stewart did have a few words for students about safety, mainly about those on campus who drive. He says pay attention, keep cell phone use while driving to a minimum, and for those with alternate transportation, such as scooters, stay on the road and be sure to wear your helmet.

## Art and Music majors alike benefit from Mac lab

by STEPHANIE ELLIOTT

Paul Kinsman is the new graphic design instructor at NNU. He spent seven and a half years at Point Loma Nazarene University, building up the graphic design program before coming to NNU.

**What is the purpose for the new Center for Digital Media?** Give students in Art and Music the chance to use state-of-the-art equipment as they learn the tools used throughout their disciplines.

**What are the best features of the new Macs in the lab?** The Macs in the labs are incredibly fast and stable machines, utilizing the newest Intel chips. The 21" monitors are large enough that students can get a better, often full-size, view of the work they're designing than was previously possible. Students

have access to the latest versions of many professional design applications, in particular the Adobe Creative Suite, which consists of software to produce both print and web-based design. Finally, the students have access to a scanner, drawing tablets, a trio of black-and-white, color and large format color printers, and a large amount of storage space on the Macintosh server. At either end of the main classroom, which holds more than 20 new iMacs, there are small breakout rooms with Macintosh computers that students can use when class is being held in the main lab. There's one breakout room with 4 iMacs for art students, and one room with 5 iMacs for music students.

**What makes the new lab so useful?** Being able to use a Macintosh computer

is critical for graphic design students because Macs are the industry standard in the great majority of the design field. By learning on a Mac while they're in college, it makes the transition into professional practice a much smoother process for NNU graduates.

**Who uses the lab?** It's primarily set up for Art majors and Music majors but almost anyone can use it. They just need to get a login name and password from Professor Jamie Hubble, Lollie Richardson or me in order to do it.

What classes make use of the Center for Digital Media? I can really only speak for the graphic design side of things, but it will be used for Graphic Design 1-4 as well as Digital Design 1-4. All of them require use of the software and hardware available in the Mac lab.

We owe special thanks Extended University Services, partnered with the Art and Music departments at NNU, for making the Center for Digital Media possible through extensive funding and support.

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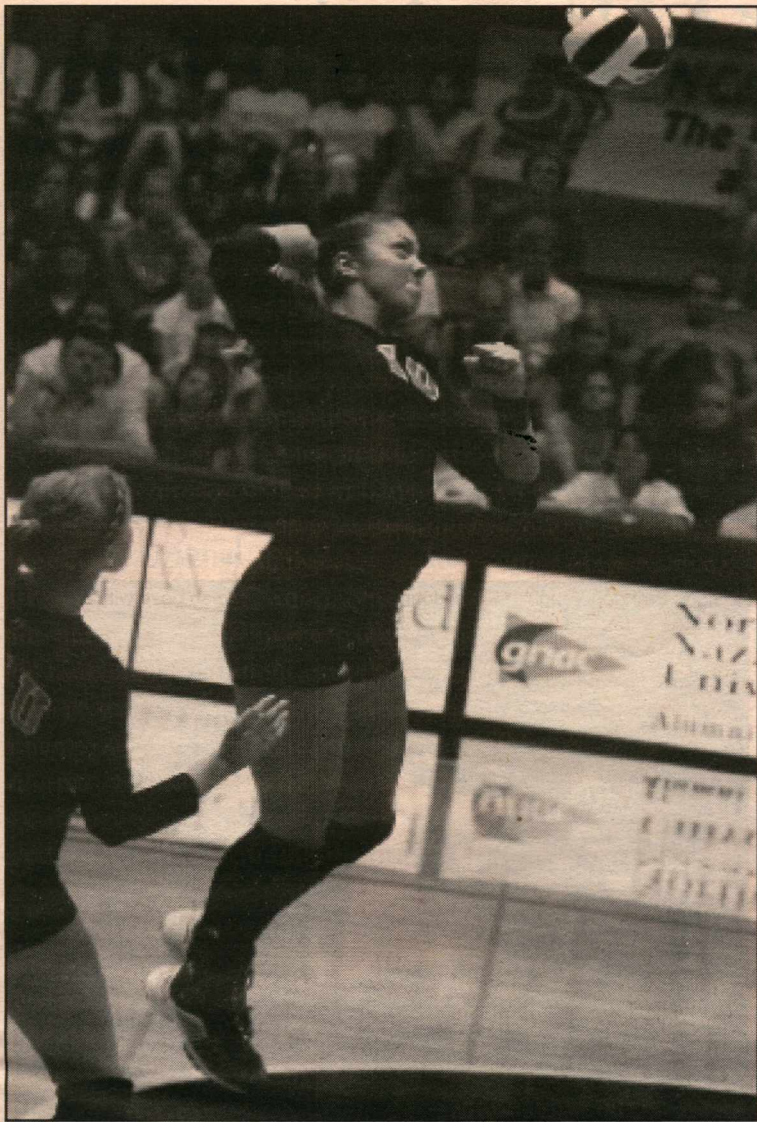
## TWIRP: promises to rock the boat

(continued from front page)

However, you best have your fighting skills ready after leaving the maze because someone has a pillow with your name on it. There will be a huge pillow fight, with everyone that attends TWIRP participating. Every person should bring their best feather-filled melee weapon to defend their date and pound on someone else's. Following the pillow fight there will be roughly an hour of free time in which the couples can wander Boise and pass out supplied carnations in random acts of kindness.

The night will end with a choice of two movies: Evan Almighty (sticking with the Noah's Ark theme) and Ratatouille (not about Noah's ark).

# NNU Volleyball sets it up



Ahlee Thomas, Middle Blocker; Photo by Jennifer Hush

by RACHAEL FINCH

The NNU volleyball team has been the talk of the campus since their first game on September sixth. Turn out for the games has been higher than ever, and the team is prepared to play a season that will warrant these large crowds. Fans have enjoyed cheering the players on as they won their first two home games of the season.

“If there is a more fun place to be on a Thursday or Saturday night I’d like to know where it is,” says Coach Jared Sliger, “because that was a blast!” 517 fans attended the first home game on Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup>. Two days later the crowd numbered 660 for their next game. Coach Sliger, who is in his third year of coaching at NNU, also recalled that at one point the opposing team had to

take their time out in the hall because of the noise from the crowd. He said that the noise of the crowd caught NNU’s team off guard at the first game, but on the 8<sup>th</sup> it benefited their game and encouraged the players.

Volleyball players have been posting flyers and handing out schedule cards around town to encourage students and the community to come out. Another contributor to the fan turn out has been the athlete’s “storm the dorms” campaign. On the night of the first volleyball game, the basketball and baseball players went door to door at the dorms and campus apartments to encourage students to come out and support the team. Crusader supporters have responded so well that the team set a goal to have one thousand fans in the bleachers for their third home game on Thursday September 27<sup>th</sup>.

The team is off to a promising start this year and their goals are high; they hope to finish in the top two of their conference. They have a high return in their favor: eleven of the eighteen players are returning players. This large return has allowed new players to watch and learn rather than playing constantly.

Coach Sliger has an additional goal in mind for his team. His hope is that this season of NNU volleyball will be about enjoying and challenging each other as well as playing. This is not just a group of volleyball players; it is a team of athletes.

# Cheerleading makes a comeback

by ANDREA SCHILLING

Bringing a fresh level of school spirit to Crusader sports, the new cheer team hopes to inspire the NNU crowd one stunt at a time. After gaining student support and going through a long and strenuous process, a bill was eventually passed by the senate to start acquiring funds for the program. The summer provided a running start for the team, as fund-raising began to make headway. “Over the summer, we held a yard sale and raised over \$3,000! Our next fund-raiser was entitled ‘20/20 Vision’. The goal was for everyone to ask 20 people for 20 dollars, we did this in hopes to raise enough money for mats,” said captain Ashleigh LeBaron.

Since fund-raising, the team has been formed and preparation is underway. The squad consists of three freshmen, one sophomore,

three juniors and one senior. Coach Rachel Jacobsen and advisor Michelle Kuykendall lead the team. While only being a team for a short while, team relationships are progressing leaps and bounds. “Team bonding is going well. It’s great even though we all came into this not really knowing each other,” said freshman Stephanie Reynolds.

With practices Monday through Thursday from 6-7:30am, the girls are confident they will be ready for their first performance. “If practices keep on going the way they are going, we’ll be ready for anything,” said Reynolds.

The girls begin their cheer season October 13<sup>th</sup> at Midnight Madness, a kick-off for the men’s and women’s basketball teams. You can see the girls cheer for both basketball teams throughout the year, along with appearances at several other sporting events.

# Sonics may be stuck in Seattle

SEATTLE (AP) —

Seattle officials filed a lawsuit to keep the SuperSonics from leaving town, saying the team’s profitability in much-maligned KeyArena is more linked to poor play than the venue itself.

The lawsuit was filed in King County Superior Court just a few days after new Sonics chairman Clay Bennett issued a demand for arbitration, seeking to buy out the remainder of the team’s lease unless an agreement on a new arena is reached by the end of next month. The complaint asks that a judge force the Sonics to stay through the end of the lease, in 2010.



Courtesy of nba.com

Seattle City Attorney Tom Carr and former Republican U.S. Sen. Slade Gorton, the city’s legal big gun, said the issue is simple: In exchange for \$74 million in renovations to the old Seattle Coliseum in the mid-1990s, the Sonics agreed to play all of their home games there through Sept. 30, 2010.

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# GNAC gains support for Mens' Soccer; Division II play next fall



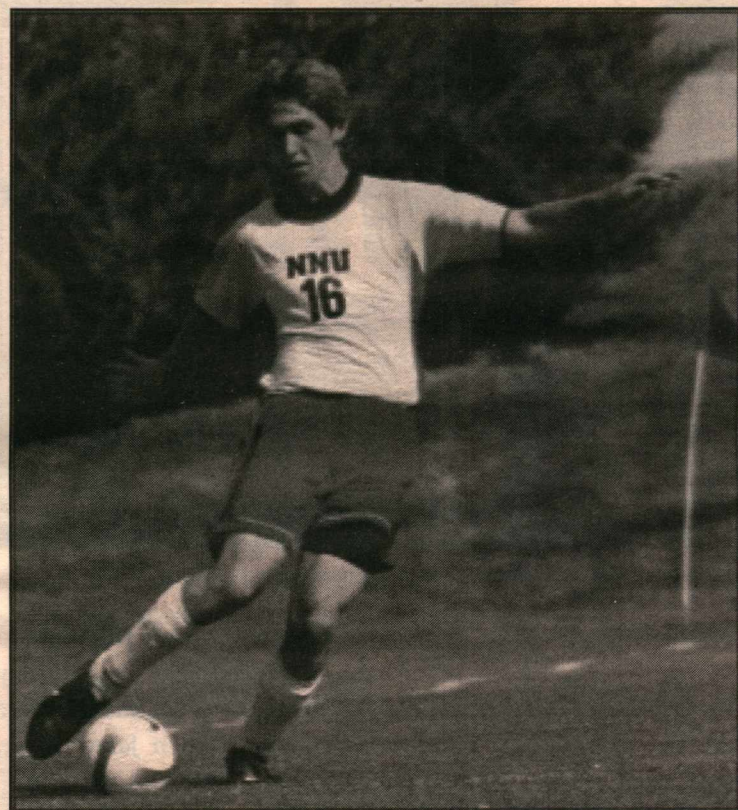
D Tim Palmer, Freshman; Photo by Robin McConkey

by DEREK DE ROOY

It's been five years, but it's back. Every year, incoming students are subjected to a community where men don't play the most popular sport in the world. Every year, female students groan in disappointment of not having anyone to watch. Every year, it seems there aren't quite enough cleat prints in Finkbeiner Field. But this year isn't like every year. NNU been without a men's team of footballers since the end of the 2002 season. For the past 20 years, the soccer gods have not smiled on our program. NNU men had posted only one winning season

(in either Conference standings or overall) since 1986. Too bad, really, when you consider that the Men's Soccer program had opened at NNU with six straight winning seasons. We shouldn't ask our team to win this season. With a squad that has almost zero collegiate-level experience, a new coach, and very little time playing together, this is certainly a building year. Coach Coe Michaelson has instilled that in his players. This year is strictly to build a foundation, to prepare for Division II schools next fall. Glancing over the roster, it's easy to see that. Of 16 players on the roster, there are only two Seniors and two Juniors.

But with an existing program now in the works, it should be just as easy to attract talent for this sport as any other. Although it is a building year, the Crusaders have already shown that they can pull together a win, opening with two straight victories against Walla Walla College and Lewis & Clark College. The schedule, though not completely hammered out yet, is largely against club teams from schools like Whitman, Cascade, and Treasure Valley Community College.



MF Stuart Montgomery, Freshman; Photo by Robin McConkey

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## Biggest 'roids crackdown in U.S. history

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP)—

Federal authorities announced the largest crackdown on illegal steroids in the nation's history, arresting more than 120 people and raiding dozens of labs that manufactured growth hormone for sale on the black market.

Agents seized 56 labs, many of which were located in dirty basements, and recovered 11.4 million doses of steroids, according to the Drug Enforcement Administration.

U.S. investigators were helped by governments of nine other countries, including China, which is hosting the 2008 Olympics. Among those facing charges are a Chinese manufacturer accused of smuggling human growth hormone into the U.S. and others who allegedly got steroids from China and sold them to U.S. customers.

The probe, dubbed Operation Raw Deal, targeted manufacturers of raw materials needed to produce steroids, as well as underground steroid labs in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

# NNU's Barclay destroys fellow Scots

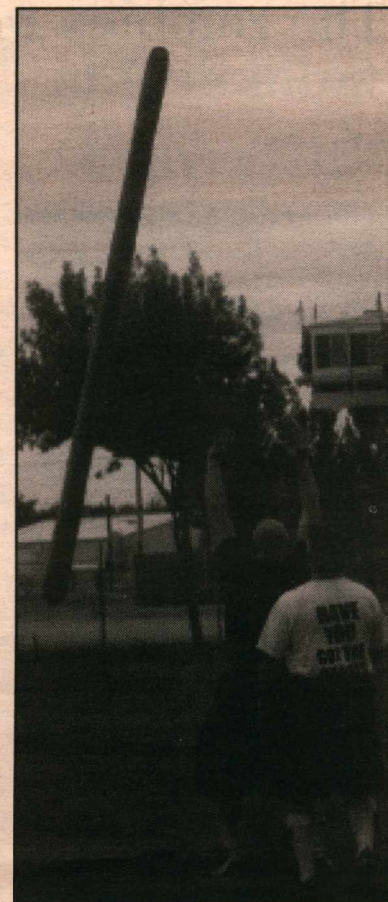


Zach Barclay, Highlander; Photo by Robin McConkey

by T.J. BARR

Nothing says Scotland like brawny men in kilts. On September 22, NNU's own, Zach Barclay, swept the Boise Highland Games with a near-perfect day. Taking 1st Place in every event save one, Barclay demonstrated his talent and strength by out-throwing his competition, including his father and uncle. As a proud member of the Barclay Clan, he has been competing in the games with his family for several years and loves every minute of it. Not only was he competing against his well-experienced family, but he had to fight his way to the top against some of the most talented competitors Idaho has to offer. Barclay competed in seven events, ranging from the caber toss (throwing a 21 foot 105 lbs. log and flipping it end over end) to the sheaf toss (throwing a 20

lb. bail of hay as high as possible with a pitch fork). Barclay was a little disappointed in his 2nd Place result in the 28 lb. stone throw- he knew he could throw better than that. But that didn't stop him from placing first overall in the Games and was completely overshadowed by his success at the caber toss. Being one of two people able to throw the biggest caber available, Barclay was ecstatic at his success on his first throw and did a victory cartwheel to celebrate. There is more to do than just throw logs and bails of hay, though. Booths of Scottish memorabilia, excellent food, live music, dancing, and staged sword fights surround you. The Highland Games are a great way to spend a Saturday. And although the games are winding down for the winter, they'll be back again next September. For those that do show up next summer, remember: it's not a dress, it's a kilt.



Zach Barclay, throwing Caber; Photo by TJ Barr

## NNU Sports Box

### Women's Soccer (6-2-1, 3-1 GNAC)

Scores:  
 9/22, at Saint Martin's, W, 3-0  
 9/20, at Western Oregon, W, 3-0  
 9/15, vs. Central Washington, W, 2-1

Upcoming Games:  
 9/29, 12:00 PM, vs. MSU Billings  
 10/5, 7:00 PM, at Seattle Pacific  
 10/10, 4:00 PM, vs. St. Martin's

### Men's Soccer (2-0)

Scores:  
 9/22, vs. Lewis & Clark, W, 5-0  
 9/13, vs. Walla Walla, W, 2-0

Upcoming Matches:  
 9/29, TBA  
 10/4, TBA

### Women's Volleyball (9-3, 3-1 GNAC)

Scores:  
 9/22, at Western Oregon, L, 0-3  
 9/20, at Saint Martin's, W, 3-0  
 9/15, at Seattle Pacific, L, 2-3

Upcoming Matches:  
 9/27, 7:00 PM, vs. Alaska Fairbanks  
 9/29, 7:00 PM, vs. Alaska Anchorage  
 10/4, 7:00 PM, at Western Washington  
 10/6, 7:00 PM, at Central Washington

### Cross Country

Recent Meets:  
 9/22, Bob Firman Invitational, Boise

Women: **8th Place**  
 Men: **10th Place**

9/15, Sundodger Invitational, Seattle

Women: **7th Place, GNAC**  
 Men: **9th Place, GNAC**

Upcoming Meets:  
 9/29, 10:00 AM, at Willamette Inv. (Salem, OR)

### Men's Golf

Recent Matches:  
 9/17-9.18, Albertson College Invitational (54-Hole), **2nd**

Individual Scores:  
 Dale Reybould, 220, +4  
 Rowdy Hope, 229, +13  
 Tyler Jones, 232, +16  
 Connor Crail, 232, +16

## Resident Evil: Extinction

### The zombies won, what now?

by T.J. BARR

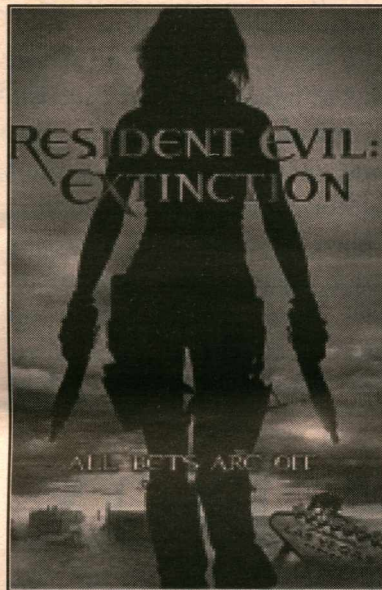
Board up the windows and lock the doors, the zombies have arrived. That's right ladies and gentleman, as of September 21 Resident Evil: Extinction opened in theatres around the nation. Packed with zombie slaying goodness, it stars Milla Jovovich (Resident Evil, The Fifth Element), Ali Larter (Varsity Blues, Legally Blonde), and Oded Fehr (The Mummy, The Mummy Returns) playing in roles from both the previous movies and the games they are based on.

While the movie is not up to par with the first film in the series, it far outshines the second. The film takes place five years after the second and as the name implies the world is almost extinct, the zombies have won. It follows a convoy of survivors on their trek through the zombie infested world on their way to the only undead free state: Alaska.

Without giving away too much of the plot, it is fair to say that they run into some trouble. While the movie doesn't compare to George Romero's Dead series (Dawn of the Dead, Land of the Dead), it does have enough zombie action to keep even the most hardcore fan entertained. While it does depart from the canon of the games, it sticks truer to its origins than the second movie did.

Most action loving guys and a handful of ladies will like Resident Evil: Extinction. However, this is probably not a late movie. It ranks a 7/10 on horror/gore, a 5/10 on humor mostly focusing on one liners

and puns), and 9/10 on action, and a 2/10 on romance (it contains one couple and expands very little on their relationship). Zombie fans and gamers will enjoy the movie, while it will be a harder sell on people who don't fall into that category. Overall, the movie is a 7/10 for being entertaining and containing zombies. For me it was worth the price of admission, but I wouldn't recommend it for everyone.



Resident Evil: Extinction movie poster (<http://www.the-fun-zone.co.uk>)

## George Clooney injured in accident

WEEHAWKEN, N.J. (AP) — George Clooney and a companion were injured on Friday when their motorcycle collided with a car on a narrow road across the Hudson River from New York City. Clooney suffered a broken rib and scrapes while his passenger, Sarah Larson, broke her foot in the 3:30 p.m. collision. The two were treated at Palisades Medical Center in North Bergen and released, Clooney's spokesman, Stan Rosenfield, said.

by T.J. BARR

Minions, magic, and mayhem, that's what this game is all about. Players take control of "The Overlord", a recently promoted ruler of dark forces. Unfortunately, this rise in power was due to the extermination of his predecessor at the hands of the seven heroes of the realm. Needless to say, the Overlord has some big shoes to fill. The game centers around his quest to rebuild his domain, find all of his missing treasure, and exact revenge on the heroes. Strangely, the townsfolk of the world support the Overlord in his quest, believing him to be the lesser of two evils, as the heroes of the realm have become corrupt after their triumph over evil. While the game sounds dark and puts the player in the shoes of the character normally viewed as the bad guy, the comic tone of the game and the bright, cheery atmosphere makes for a very lighthearted play. The use of strategically placed humor makes the immoral acts of the character seem more cartoonish than evil.



Screen shot from "Overlord" (<http://www.gamefly.com>)

The gameplay is simple and centers around controlling a small army of gremlin-like creatures to solve puzzles and defeat enemies. The controls on the X-box 360 version of the game were very intuitive and tight, making running around in the game world simple and performing complex tasks much less of a hassle than in many other games. If you could play Fable, you should have no trouble moving the Overlord around the world.

The game presents a decent challenge and will take only a medium amount of time to beat, making it more of a rental title than something to buy, at least until it drops in

price. The game can be a little repetitive at times, leading the player to become frustrated at having to fight their way through yet another room that looks just like the previous one. While these times are few and far between they still occur more often than they should. The game is incredibly addictive and has a fun factor that was surprising and made it difficult to put down.

Overall the game is a 7/10 for being easy to play, difficult enough to make a challenge, and being an addictive source of fun. This title is a definite rental for 360 owners and a good purchase choice for hack-and-slash fans.

"He's doing fine," Rosenfield said. "He has a broken rib, it's very painful and it'll take a long time to heal." Clooney and Larson were traveling north and sped up to pass on the right of a 1999 Mazda Millenia that was preparing to make a right turn, said Weehawken police Sgt. Sean Kelly. Both were wearing helmets.

It wasn't known whether the Mazda's driver, whose identity was not immediately released, used a turn signal,

Kelly said. The accident was under investigation. "It's a he-said, she-said right now, but you can't pass on the right in Weehawken or anywhere in Jersey," Kelly said.

Rosenfield said the accident occurred when the vehicle signaled a left-hand turn, but turned right and struck Clooney's motorcycle.

"The car signaled left. George was riding to the right. The driver decided to make an abrupt right turn and clipped George," he said.

The 46-year-old actor was in the New York area to film the dark comedy "Burn After Reading," co-starring Brad Pitt, John Malkovich and Frances McDormand.

Clooney's recovery shouldn't interrupt the production's schedule, Rosenfield said. Clooney's latest film, "Michael Clayton," will be released next month. He and Larson have been spotted together at several film festivals and movie premieres in recent weeks.

## Friesen Galleries brings a new perspective to students

by ANDREA HALL

This year marks the tenth anniversary of NNU's Friesen Galleries, located upstairs in the Brandt Center, and this anniversary brings some changes with it. Professor Amanda Hamilton is the chair of the art department and has been managing the Friesen Galleries for two years. This year, she is hoping to offer the school opportunities to see some high quality art and artists in the galleries, as well as create a completely new exhibit in one space. "It will operate as a sort of small museum for NNU students," says Hamilton, "and the space features a reading room with books on each artist and seating for study." This gallery, called the Friesen Galleries Permanent Print Collection, features prints by national and internationally known artists. The originals of these contemporary works can be found in such notable

locations as the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York and the Centre Pompidou in Paris. "The work is some of the finest contemporary art to be seen in Southwestern Idaho," says Hamilton. As the curator for this exhibition, Professor Hamilton has come up with Nampa's own version of the Boise Art Museum. She is very excited about the collection and is ready to officially open it. She also hopes to use the collection to "stretch (the) gallery budget further each year, bringing in higher caliber artists for lectures and studio visits." Hamilton is a cheerleader for change, and her enthusiasm and hard work has brought about many good changes in her department, from a student lounge to visiting artist lectures. Such events give art students the chance to grow and learn as artists, and to make further connections with the world of art. As for the second gallery space, it will continue to host events like the juried student art

shows and various guest artists throughout the year. Next month, a show will open, curated by the former chair of the art department, Dr. Mary Spears. This show will feature work from the permanent collection as well as many alumni works as part of the tenth anniversary celebration. In the spring, the campus can look forward to the senior shows, but Hamilton says she may "start them earlier...than we did before and some students may share a gallery space." The addition of the permanent collection does eliminate a large space that seniors formerly had at their disposal, and the scheduling must be reworked to reflect that. The Permanent Print Collection is slated for an official opening reception the morning of November 2<sup>nd</sup>, during the new Homecoming weekend. The collection will be up throughout this year and the next, after which works may be added, keeping the gallery fresh and up-to-date.

## Upcoming Concerts

Date	Band	Location
October 3rd	Black Crowes	The Big Easy
October 6th	Down	The Big Easy
October 7th	Sum 41	The Big Easy
October 8th	Tech N9ne	The Big Easy
October 8th	Casting Crowns	Taco Bell Arena
October 11th	Underoath	The Big Easy
October 12th	Family Force 5	The Big Easy



The crowd sings along as Relient K performs in downtown Boise. Photo by Andrea Schilling

## Relient K rocks the streets of Boise

by ANDREA SCHILLING

The streets of downtown Boise were rockin' Friday, September 14 as BSU hosted a free Relient K concert for Bronco supporters and community members. NNU students took this opportunity to their advantage and made their way to the outdoor venue on 8<sup>th</sup> and Broadway. The concert was a big hit to our students, proving to be the highlight of numerous

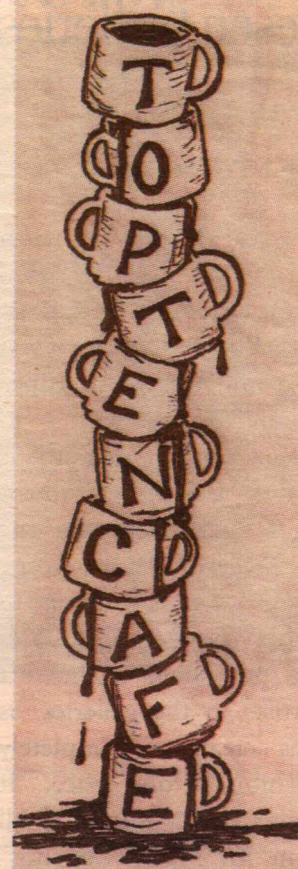
weekends. Many students noted how they liked spending time with other students at an off-campus event. "It was a fun atmosphere to be downtown, enjoying the concert with fellow students," said sophomore Ashley Morman. "It was great for NNU students to integrate in a non-christian setting, away from our Nazarene bubble," said sophomore Daryl Gonzalez. "Generally when I go to concerts, I don't know a lot of other people. It was a nice change to see so many people I knew," said sophomore Kayla Dunn. Not only did students enjoy being in the presence of fellow students at a fun event but the positive outreach the Christian punk/rock band presented to the audience was of high quality. "Relient K putting on a free show in downtown Boise was a wonderful opportunity for non-christians to hear about God. The concert planted seeds for future growth," said Gonzalez.



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by LACEY SMITH

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