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## Column One

I was thinking about rats in chapel Monday. Believe it or not, I was spurred to this thought by something Gene shared. The Chaplain was reading responses from students, one of which said, "[My professors] have the ability to relate things back to God that I never even considered." I feel this way about my Psychology of Learning class with Dr. Andrews.

Each student is assigned a special mission in this class for the term: To train a rat to perform tasks that wild rats would never do in a million years. Luna is my baby Sprague-Dawley albino rat, and she is currently the most important individual in my life (save my fiancé, of course).

In chapel Monday, the words to the chorus "The Potter's Hand" appeared on the projection screen, and we began to sing the familiar words. However, when we got to the part of the song that talks about guiding and molding, I couldn't help but think about Luna. She is completely dependant on me, as I am responsible for checking her water, feeding her, monitoring her for signs of disease, etc.

As a part of Psych. of Learning, I am required to teach Luna many tasks; I have the ability to make her do virtually anything I want her to. Though, despite this power, I love her and want only the best for her little ratty self. Over the course of the term, I plan to shape her behavior gently, with love and careful attention to detail. She in my little one and I care for her deeply.

Sometimes I feel that this is sort of how it is with our relationship with God. As the song implies, God has the power to take us, mold us, use us and shape us into anything or force us to be people we don't want to be. However, out of His love, with careful attention to detail, God's loving hand begins to mold us over time. Like Luna, we need to have a desire and drive to respond, but God's love helps us along. We need Him; we need to be responsive to His attention.

*Amy Ogilvie*  
Editor-in-Chief

"And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being."  
~ Genesis 2:7

# Terrorist Attack

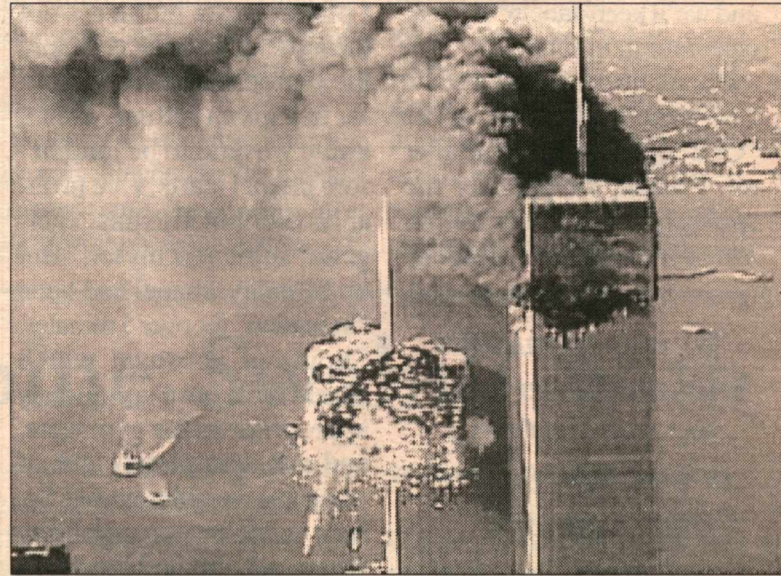
## World Trade Center tower falls, all airports close

NEW YORK (CNN) – Terrorists struck the United States Tuesday morning in harrowing, widespread attacks that included at least three commercial jet crashes into significant buildings.

• In the first attack, a plane hit the north tower of the World Trade Center in Manhattan shortly before 9 a.m., followed by another plane into the second tower about 20 minutes later. Both towers later collapsed.

• American Airlines Boeing 767 that had been hijacked after take-off from Boston. American Airlines told CNN that it lost two planes in "tragic accidents," one leaving Boston with 81 passengers and 11 crew aboard, and the second leaving Washington Dulles airport with 58 passengers and six crew aboard. Both planes were en route to Los Angeles.

• About an hour later, a plane crashed into the Pentagon,



Explosion rocks World Trade Center Tower 1 as Tower 2 burns from previous plane collision.

part of which later collapsed.

• Sources say a second plane was heading toward the Pentagon; F-16 jets were in the air monitoring it.

• The Pentagon, the White House, the State Department, the Justice Department, the Capitol, the CIA and all other government buildings are evacuated.

• In the first ever national ground stop of aircraft, all flights nationwide have been stopped at their departure airports.

• All international flights were diverted to Canada.

• Israel has evacuated all its missions around the world.

• President Bush cancelled an appearance in Florida to re-

turn to Washington, calling the crashes "apparent terrorist attacks" and "a national tragedy."

• In Chicago, the Sears Tower was evacuated; United Nations in New York evacuated.

• The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta was evacuated.

• The New York Port Authority said it had closed all bridges and tunnels into the city.

• New York's Bellevue Hospital was designated command central for handling the catastrophe. Several hospitals have already reported receiving victims with burns and head injuries.

• Large plane crashed 80 miles south of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, but it was unknown if this crash was connected to terrorist attacks.

• U.S. stock markets were closed after the New York attacks.

## Nampa Mayor shares concerns with students

By David Kadel  
Assistant Editor

Maxine Horn is just finishing up her first four-year term as the mayor of Nampa. She has been involved with many events, such as rerouting Holly Street, creating the Nampa Boys and Girls Club and adjusting the city to a booming population, which have shaped the city as well as the NNU campus over the past years. She recently shared with *The Crusader* how she ended up in the mayor's office, some thoughts on the Nampa community and how NNU fits into the picture.

Having come to Nampa in 1965, Horn's first job was as secretary to Mayor Ernie Star. She related "I used to sit around

and think, 'I could do that,' never really dreaming that I would."

After working for Mayor Star for ten years, she was appointed the very first personnel director for the city of Nampa. She quit that job after two years, deciding that she did not much care for it, and went into real estate.

Horn spent the next twenty years selling real estate, but she was not completely out of politics. During this time, she served on planning and zoning for four years and on city council for four years.

"Then, when Mayor Whinston Gerring decided that he didn't want to run anymore, I decided that maybe I'd like to be mayor, so I ran," Horn recounted, "I ran against four men, and I won by only 52 votes, but I won." On



Shawna McArthur/ Crusader

Mayor Maxine Horn speaks with *The Crusader* about issues concerning the community.

January 1, 1998, Horn became the very first woman mayor for the city of Nampa.

One of Mayor Horn's biggest

concerns in her past four years has been to deal with Nampa's tremendous growth

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# Chaplain Gene Speaks "Out of My Mind"

By Gene Schandorf  
Campus Chaplain

No, it's not an announcement or even an admission. It's just a title. The folks at The Crusader may be "out of their minds" for doing it, but they've asked me to resume my old bi-weekly ramblings to the student paper. So, from week to week, I'll be sending in a page full of some of the stuff that's coming "Out of My Mind." Some of it may amuse, some of it may amaze, some of it may be used to line the cages of the pets you don't have in the dorm. And some of it, I hope, will get us thinking and talking together about things that matter. After all, it's mostly just stuff that's coming "out of my mind."

So, what's in there and trying to get out this week? Well there are a few, random things.

First, as it says in the Bible, "there is a time to 'dance'" (of course, what I really mean is "celebrate.")

I've been amazed at the number of students who have sent me notes about the great things that are going on in classes all over campus. I have been reading some of these in chapel on Mondays. Of course, I'm always afraid I'll leave someone out or read too many from one department before I get to another. Mostly, I'm just amazed at how well our profs are doing what they are supposed to be doing: teaching all sorts of subjects from a Christian perspective. Many of you have told me about really significant devotionals given at the start of class. Others have commented on the professor's ability to

make spiritual application at almost every turn. The thing that has me the most excited is the continuous reference to the care of the faculty for each of their students. Hey, have you figured it out? These people actually do care about you. You keep telling me the stories, and we'll keep dancin' (I mean celebrating) in chapel.

Second, Every once in a while I'm reminded that this whole "God" thing is really true after all. I mean, we plan for the spiritual growth of our students. We train Bible Study leaders.

*"It is a spontaneous encounter with the Spirit of God in worship, prayer and testimony."*  
~ Gene Chandorf

We invite speakers. We even say the occasional prayer for renewal. And then, in the midst of it all, something happens with which WE had nothing whatsoever to do. It's like God really is involved in the life of this campus after all. One of those things is happening on Saturday mornings in the prayer chapel. It's not "official." It's not "supervised." And you absolutely cannot get chapel credit for going. What it is, is a spontaneous encounter with the Spirit of God in worship, prayer and testimony. It is one of those chances to "show up" in the presence of God. And yes, it's at 8:00 on Saturday morning. Tell me that's not a "God Thing!"

Last, speaking of me being

"out of my mind," several seem to have thought I'd "lost it" on Monday morning in chapel. A typical card went something like this. "Do you think you have the right to tell students to be quiet when they are just 'bringing energy' into the chapel experience?" Well, I probably do, but that's not the issue. The issue is simply the appropriateness of behavior in a given setting. Hey, I know we tend to be loud before chapel starts. I've probably contributed to this "energetic" spirit a bit myself. But on Monday, chapel had been "in session" for over 5 minutes. Shouts of approval which would have been completely appropriate in the gym were, and are, completely out of place in a worship setting. So, let's work on remembering where we are, and then let's move on. No apologies offered or required, and no grudges held. I know that there are campuses where students are chronically disrespectful in chapel but this is not one of them. You're a great group, and we're all in this thing together.

Blessings,  
Gene

## SATURDAY MORNING PRAYER TIME

Every Saturday at 8:00 AM  
Meet in the prayer chapel

# Angels becomes NNU's fastest growing club



Sarah Hughes/Crusader

Joy, Sarah, Cyril, Mona and dog Muffy relax at the R&V Shelter.

By Amy Oglevie  
Editor-in-Chief

NNU's fastest growing club, Angels, has reached new heights in membership and outreach. Club membership and activity attendance is at an all-time high, with almost 30 students attending weekly.

"It's the biggest it's been in years," club President Sarah Hughes stated. "Last year, we were lucky to have seven people show up. Our first meeting had more people than we had all last year."

Angels is a student compassionate ministries club that works with elderly individuals who have mental disabilities. Every week, they visit with the residents of R & V Shelter in Nampa and help them play their weekly Bingo game. Residents earn ten pennies for each successful Bingo and everyone has a great time.

"It's fun," Hughes said. "We eat popcorn, drink milk and just hangout."

Angels emphasize the service aspect of Christian faith. Pro-

viding something as simple as a meal is a great gift for many of the people Angels works with.

"Every Thanksgiving, we do a dinner for them all at the shelter," Hughes added. "It is one of the most rewarding things about Angels."

Also, once a semester the club loads the seniors into a van and head over to McDonald's for breakfast. "It is an adventure to say the least," Hughes admits. "We leave at 6:30 in the morning when they normally eat breakfast."

Hughes shares that she finds the handicapped elderly the most warm and loving group of people to work with. The residents really enjoy the weekly visits by the Angels. If attendance continues to expand, the club will soon be considering working with a second shelter in addition to R & V.

Angels meets every Monday evening at 7:00 pm in the Student Center, and all are invited to attend.

# Northwesterners visit McCall on weekend-long retreat

By Lynette Brown  
On Campus Writer

The weekend of September 8 and 9 was an eventful one for those musicians who are involved in the Northwesterners choir; it was the weekend of their retreat. Between the time that passed from 4 p.m. on Friday afternoon and 3 p.m. Sunday afternoon, the group was able to bond and work on music for the year. The retreat was held at the Meadowood Lodge, a Bed and Breakfast in McCall.

Friday, the returning members interrupted the night's sleep at 3:15 am. It was time to wake up for a true workout led by Joe Chapman. Most of the exercise consisted of dancing like fools in the middle of the

driveway area. A quick jog afterwards added to the battle of trying to fall back asleep once the aerobics were over.

Saturday was devoted to two things: learning music and the infamous Northwesterners initiation. The vocal ability of the group could at last be cemented, as rehearsal period was intense. All of the new members were beginning to feel nervous about what they knew would come next, the true rite of passage into the choir.

The tradition of the Northwesterners initiation is to thoroughly embarrass the new members in the town of McCall. The returning members (Carrie Vail, Stephanie Tiner, Callie McCarthy, Andrea Vanderpool, Joe Chapman,

Brandon Hill, Derrick Staffenson and Chris Tiner) did a great job of planning the activities. One of the highlights of initiation was Jeremy Hodges experiences. He had to dress in a shirt that was tied above his stomach and a huge towel wrapped around him to look like a diaper. The he walked around town asking random people to buy him for just a dollar.

Sunday consisted of more rehearsing and a worship service before heading home. Though the group was exhausted, they all admitted to having a lot of fun. A concert Sunday night and a chapel performance proved that the weekend was a success!

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# Students bring hope to abandoned

By Ann-Marie Wiggins  
Campus Editor

There are many ministry groups on campus that give students an opportunity to serve God and the community in a number of ways. One of these groups is an outreach to the Hope House.

Hope House is a home for abused and abandoned children. It serves as an orphanage for children whose parents are either unable to take care of them or have abandoned them. The majority of the kids have severe ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder) or

extreme anger problems.

Besides abandoned and abused children, there are also children and teens who are so out of control that their parents can no longer take care of them. They send them to Hope House for an undetermined amount of time until they feel they can come home and resume a normal life.

The ministry group from Northwest Nazarene University meets with these kids once a week. There are an average of ten students who participate weekly, and they are ministering to about 20 children. The kids are broken into two

groups, an elementary group and a junior high group. Both groups sing songs and play games, but while the elementary group just has a short devotional, the junior high group has a more in depth Bible study.

Most of the kids stay at Hope House for a long time. Mindy Meier, the elementary group chaplain, stated, "I've been involved in this group for four years and in all that time only one little boy has been adopted."

Because of this, the children get very attached to the college students and really look forward to their weekly visit. If

they are bad, their privilege of being involved in the activities is taken away.

One of the most exciting aspects for the kids is their monthly trip to NNU's campus. Once a month, all the kids are bussed to campus to have a special night of games and activities. Mindy Meier told a touching story about one of these nights. "Sometimes I feel like the kids only like to come to play the games. But there are a few times when a little incident can make me realize we do have an impact. There is one little girl who is very attached to me.

She will probably never go home or leave Hope House until she is eighteen. But one night, right before the kids left to go home, this little girl ran back to me and said, 'I love you, Mindy.' This really made me realize that they do care about us and appreciate what we do."

If you are interested in investing in the lives of children who have had very few opportunities, this is the club for you. The group is headed up by Zack Paulson and Jared Shoemaker, contact either of them for more details.

## Learning to combine Swahili with English

### Kenyan students begin to appreciate the finer things of American life.

By Nathan Wilkinson  
Campus Writer

In a small house across the street from the Northwest Nazarene Campus, the curious sounds of Swahili conversation are a normal occurrence. Although the average American would not understand a word of what they were hearing, just listening is quite fascinating. It is amazing that while all we hear is strange gibberish, these two Kenyans are communicating and understanding each other perfectly. Who are they? Their names are Francis Kimeli and Caleb Tubei, and they are two of this year's additions to our NNU student body.

Caleb, the taller of the two, flew into America from Kenya for the first time this past August.

Francis, who also goes by Kimeli, arrived in Nampa just a few days before Caleb via a thirty-six hour bus ride from Abilene Christian University in Texas where he attended school for the last two years.

Both of them arrived just in time to begin vigorous training with the Northwest Nazarene cross-country team. They had never met before this August, but it did not take long for the

two to become good friends. They were able to rent a house together right across the street from Sutherland Hall, and, after the addition of a third roommate, they were finally ready to settle in and begin the process of adjusting.

Since this is the third year that Francis has been in America, he is a good help to Caleb, who has not been here a month yet. However, Caleb is having no trouble at all fitting in and getting used to the differences here.

He says that he has already made a lot of new friends, and all of his classes are going well. Since English is the official language of Kenya, they both grew up

learning it and being taught it in school. This is a big advantage, as he does not have to face the language barrier that some other international students do.

Although he is discovering new differences every day, he seems to be taking them all in stride. He tried a dill pickle for the first time this week, and, although he was not particularly fond of it, he was able to eat the whole thing. He says that he wants to take a jar back with him to Kenya and pretend that he likes them so his friends will think that he is crazy. Also, he is encountering some differ-

ences in the way guys and girls date and have relationships. He says one of his most embarrassing moments so far came before he realized that here in America it is not a very good thing to call a girl fat. He says he told one of his new female friends, "Hey, you're fat." He could tell by her expression that he must have said something wrong. Only later when Francis informed him, "Yeah, these American girls like to be skinny, man," did Caleb realize that he had

probably insulted the girl.

As far as school goes, Caleb is having the most trouble in an area that perhaps we all struggle with the most, getting up for that 7:30 class in the morning. He says that he is getting better, and, with a little help from friends, he has made it to quite a few in a row now.

Francis, on the other hand, is already used to the "crazy Americans". He says that Northwest Nazarene is a lot like

Abilene Christian, except it is not as hot and dry up here in Nampa as it is in Texas. Even after two years, though, he still sticks to a lot of his Kenyan ways. For instance, he still insists that his American friends hold their bananas upside down when eating them, so that they use the "handle". Also, Francis and Caleb still eat mostly food from their homeland which, although it is unusual, is very good.

If you have not gotten a chance to meet Caleb or Francis, I encourage you to do

so. The next time you see them walking around campus, stop to introduce yourself, you will not regret it. And maybe, if you are really lucky, you will get to hear them talking in Swahili a million miles per minute.

### Freshmen class council elections September 21

By Ann-Marie Wiggins  
Campus Editor

This week marks the beginning of the Freshman Class Council campaigning and elections. After only a few weeks of school, it is time for the freshmen class to get involved in school politics.

Thursday, September 20 is the day for campaigning speeches in a freshmen class chapel. Voting will take place immediately after chapel the next day at lunch and dinner.

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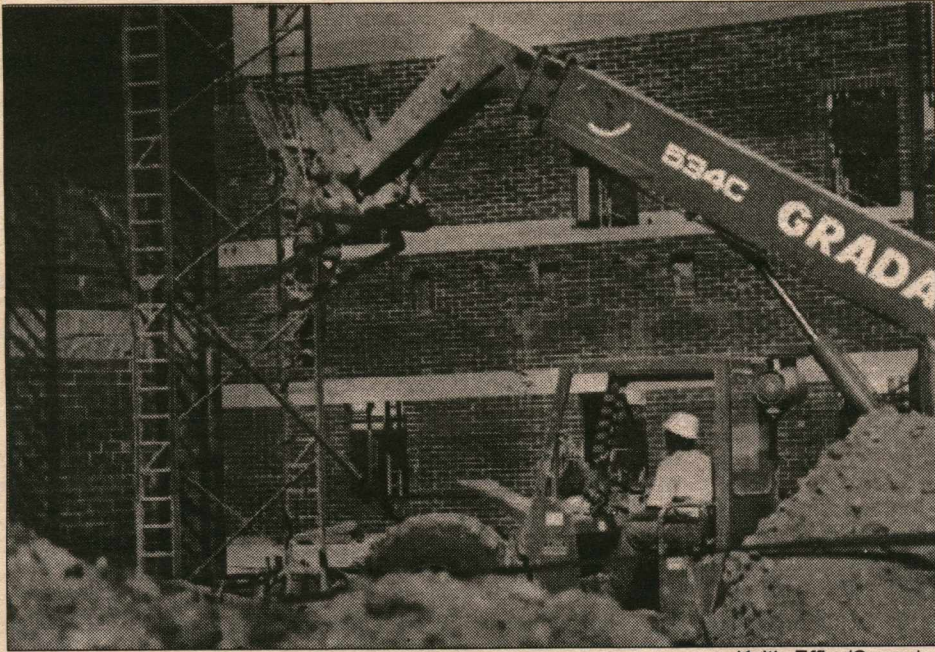
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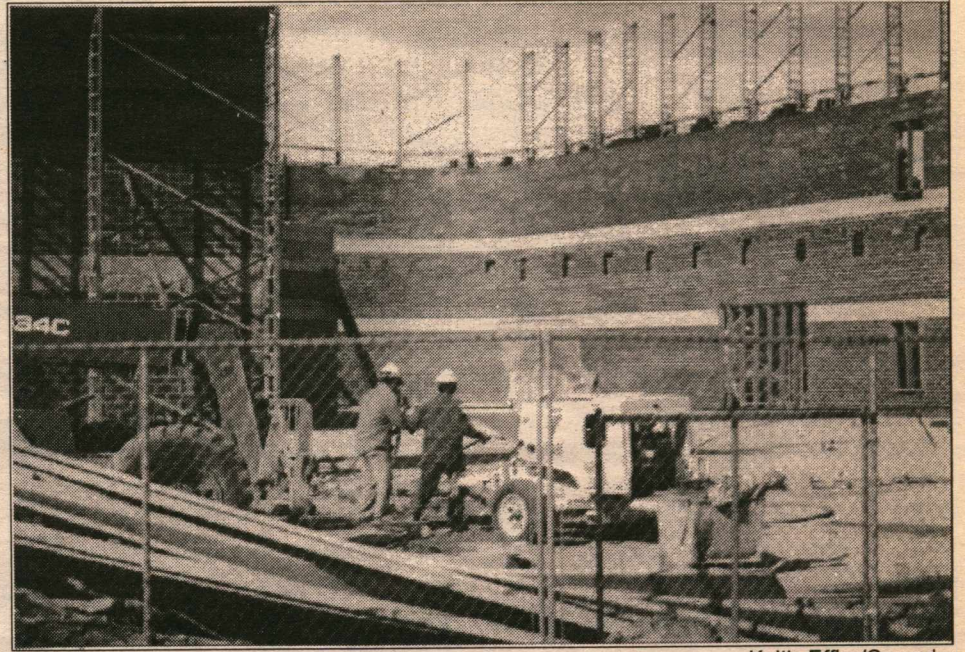
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# Business building nears completion



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The new building will be 24,000 square feet, with two floors



Keith Effler/Crusader

The estimated date for completion of the building is December 15th.

By Ann-Marie Wiggins  
On Campus Editor

In March of 2001, the Northwest Nazarene University students and staff celebrated the groundbreaking ceremony for a new building to house the business department. Construction on the building began in June and now the project is well under way.

The building will be 24,000 square feet with two floors. It will have office space for 20 faculty and staff along with six classrooms. One of the special aspects of this building is the auditorium, which will be able to seat 150-160 people.

The building was primarily paid for by two families: the Helstrom family and the Harter Family. It is because of their generous contributions that construction was possible.

It is expected that the building will be finished by December 15. Everyone who has business classes can look forward to experiencing the new building first hand next semester. If you are interested in seeing more pictures or checking out a web cam of the construction project, you can find these in the business department section of the NNU web page.



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# Blowouts, disappointments, close calls (again)

By David Alban  
Sports writer

The NFL did not exactly start with a bang. Many offenses struggled on the opening

Edgerrin James led the offense to score an NFL best six touchdowns. The Jets had some firepower as well, but their defense could not hold the Colts and gave up 45

touchdowns were scored in the game, however. Oakland and Kansas City matched up well. Kansas City put together a game tying drive in the fourth quarter when Florida State graduate, Minnis made a diving catch in the end zone. Gannon then connected with Tim Brown on the 13-yard line to set up a game winning field goal that squeaked through the uprights.

Minnesota was a disappointment. Randy Moss had only one catch, and their offense struggled. Culpepper gave the ball up three times which did not assist their efforts. He was not sure of himself, and it showed. Dante needs to take control of the team if he wants anything to happen this year.

One can never tell after one week who is the class of the league. I decided I would give it a shot and tell you why I chose them in my rankings section. I also included the cellar dwellers that embarrassed themselves on Sunday.

## NNU women win again

By Matt Fraley  
Sports Editor

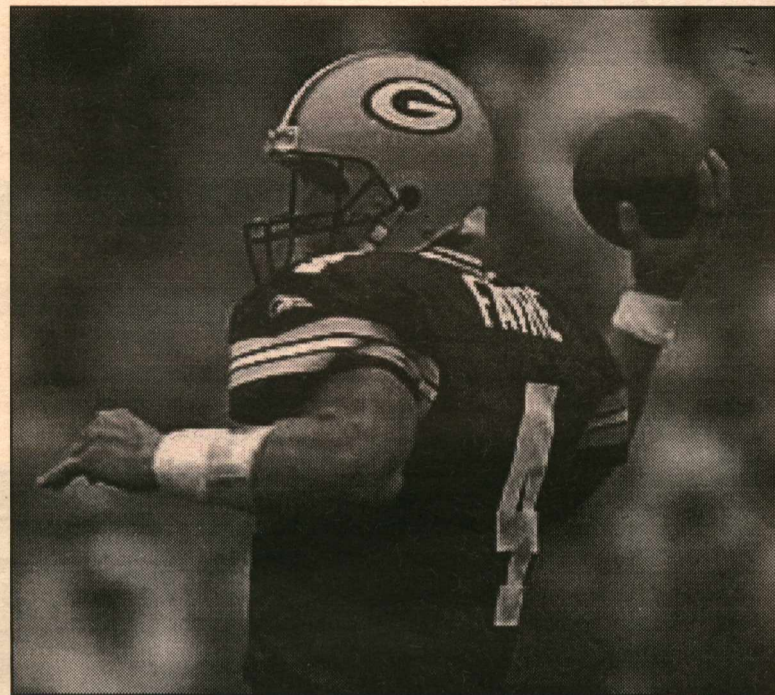
The Lady Crusaders are off to a good start once again. Their record proves to show that the women's soccer team has their eyes set on the goal. They have scored 21 goals so far in only six games, eight of which were scored in one single game. You might have heard names such as Randi Hufford, Mindy Gibbens, Aubrey Metzger or Jamie Swanson announced by Shemia several times after hearing a crowd of fanatic NNU fans. The scoring is definitely great, but it is thanks to great passing and impressive defensive work that the win column has been frequently visited by the lady Saders.

Last week, Mindy Gibbens, a senior from Eugene, Oregon, was honored as the Great Northwest Athletic Conference Women's Soccer Player of the Week.

High hopes rest on the Women's soccer team for they have proved that they belong in this league and can compete with the best.

points.

There were some exciting finishes on Sunday. Seattle and Cleveland had a punting contest the whole game, but, in the end, the Seahawks got the ball close enough for a field goal for the win. No



The Packers are off to a good start and so is Favre nfl.com

weekend. Only two teams managed to score over 30 points, and several do not know what it feels like in the end zone.

One team that was impressive was the Indianapolis Colts. Peyton Manning and

## NNU Cross Country Report

By Ann-Marie Wiggins  
Sports Writer

The Northwest Nazarene men's cross country team made school history this weekend by being one of the only teams ever to beat Boise State University at an athletic event.

The team traveled to Bogus Basin on Saturday September 8 to compete in their first meet of the season. Despite some starting line complications the team placed second, barely edged out by an NCAA Division I school, Utah Valley State.

Zack Dwello led the NNU harriers to the finish line with a fourth place finish in the four mile run with a time of 21:55. Dwello, who is from McCall, Idaho, said that his summer of running in the mountains around McCall prepared him well for the hilly course the team faced at Bogus.

The NNU men swept the next three places, led by Fancis Kimeli a transfer from Abilene Christian College, formerly of Eldoret, Kenya. Kimeli took fifth place and

finished the course in 21:55. Coming in sixth was returning runner and NCCAA cross-country All-American Aaron Matthias. Matthias ran the course in 22:02, only seven seconds ahead of Juraj Trubiraho, a first year student from Bratislava, Slavakia.

One of the strategies of cross-country running is to have the team members run as close as possible to each other. The top four runners on this team finished less than a minute from each other. Coach Dalzell was excited about the men's performance and sees great things coming from them in the future.

The women's team ran a solid race but is still struggling with injuries. Several of the key members from last year's National qualifying team have yet to compete at full strength, including last years top runner and NCCAA All-American Kristi Lund.

Ann-Marie Wiggins led the team at this first race with an 11<sup>th</sup> place finish, followed by Erica Madison and Rochelle Conrath.

## Power houses, power failures

1. **Indianapolis** Six touchdowns, Manning, Harrison, James, is it surprising? Watch out for this trio.

2. **Green Bay** Green leads the team to an insurmountable first quarter and that is all they needed. Detroit never had a chance.

3. **Oakland** Had a tough time of it, but stuck it out for the win. Gannon and Brown can play catch well.

4. **Jacksonville** Wide receiver Jimmy Smith and the Jaguar defense showed us what they are made of.

5. **San Diego** Is Flutie for real? He wasn't over-powering but got it done along with rookie running back Tomlinson.

6. **Carolina** This is a shocker. Panthers school the Vikings on their home turf. Panther defense caught more balls than Mr. Moss.

7. **49er's** Weren't impressive, but with their west coast offense and Gannon's multi-million dollar arm, will hold their own.

8. **Seattle** Honorary Selection because..... ok, no reason but their kicker earned his paycheck this week with his last second kick.

31. **Washington** George only completed eight passes for 66 yards. If I had Redskin season tickets I would turn them in.

32. **Dallas** Emmitt Smith is past his prime. He is their star with 40 yards on 13 carries. I am sure glad they are America's Team!

Commentary by David Alban

## Bulldogs come through despite polls, worthy opponents

By David Alban  
Sports writer

Welcome to college football Fresno. The bulldogs are making waves around the nation. So far Fresno State has: beaten Colorado in Boulder, destroyed *Sports Illustrated's* preseason number one ranked team (Oregon State), traveled to the heart of the Big Ten conference and had their way with the Wisconsin Badgers.

The Bulldogs scheduled three incredibly difficult games to start the season and came out of the battle unscathed. To this point in the season, no team has played more difficult opponents. The media noticed their prowess and rewarded Fresno's efforts with a number eleven ranking in the most recent Associated Press poll. There is no reason why Fresno State should not run the table and end up in the Bowl Championship Series at the end of the season.

Besides the Fresno State upset, no major upsets occurred in college football this week. Two young teams,

Michigan and Washington matched up in Seattle. The Wolverines dominated the game but their offense rewarded the Huskies with two defensive touchdowns back to back in the middle of the fourth quarter to hand the game to Washington. The Huskies did not score an offensive touchdown in the game.

The only other game that featured ranked opponents turned out to be a route from the beginning. Notre Dame traveled to Nebraska to face the Cornhuskers for the second consecutive year. The score didn't show how bad it was, but Nebraska was in control the whole game to dash any hopes the Irish might have had.

There happens to be plenty of quality games next week around the country. Florida and Tennessee play their traditional early season match-up. Georgia Tech heads to Tallahassee to face the Florida State Seminoles. And Finally Washington travels over 3000 miles to play the Hurricanes of Miami.

# Escape to the outdoors

## Camping: a way to relax and reoperate during the rush of the school year

**Joshua Zickefoose**  
*Feature Writer*

Are you tired of the construction? Tired of the smell of cow? Need an escape? The answer to your dilemma can be found in the joy of the outdoors!

Camping is a cheap way to have fun and get away or to dump an annoying friend in the middle of nowhere. Just kidding, do not dump friends in the middle of the woods, I will get in trouble if the population of campus decreases and parents will start to worry.

Camping first came about when modern society needed a way to escape from modern society. So, they started living in the woods for a given amount of days and called it by its current name.

Luckily, for many folks, it

is one of the few places that it is socially acceptable to not shower (thus the reason why freshman guys love to go). It is something a group of people can do to get away and enjoy God's creations. By that, I mean nature, not the girls who might happen to go.

Throughout the history of NNU (and NNC), students have loved to indulge in the experience of camping. Some go to go fishing, some to hunt, but the majority go to get away, to build a fire and to relax.

Certain groups have even taken the opportunity of camping as a way to worship God. Go figure: going to a place of solitude in the midst of God's creation to worship God. That seems to fit perfectly. The groups who go to worship do such things as sing and pray.

One anonymous person when asked what he does

when he goes camping said, "I like to watch people." Of course, some people do not like people-watching and would much rather watch the sky. Amazing things can happen in the sky. Eric Slonaker told me that he saw Aurora Borealis: "it was when the sky was all red and things."

The best hot camping sites are unclear. It seems the best place to go camping is nowhere. "You just drive until you can't drive anymore, Keith Effler suggests, "and then hike a mile or so and set up camp."

So, there is no good pre-determined place to camp but there are definitely some essentials to bring with you: a truck, so you do not have to walk the entire way; some food, starving is not good; friends, if you do not have any make some; a flashlight,

just for kicks; a tent, so you can keep your friends; a camera, so you can capture the moments with the people you brought with you; and finally, bring a change of clothes be-

cause you are not showering. I hope all of the students on campus get to enjoy the many wonders of camping during your stay at NNU.



priestlake.com

A picturesque view of Priest Lake shows the perfect ideal of camping locations in Idaho.

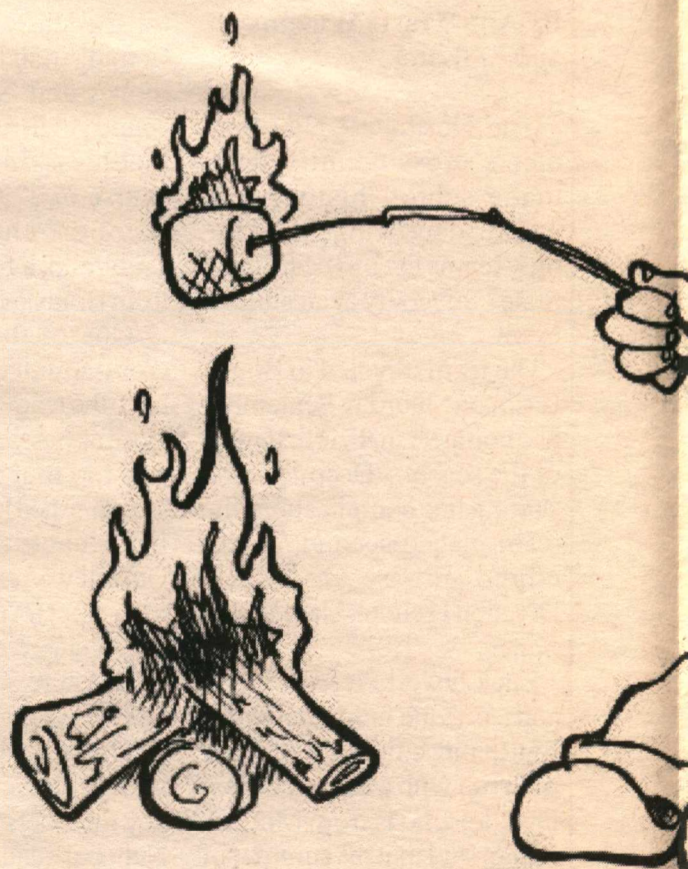
### Camping Tips

- \*To keep soap clean at your campsite, put it in a sock and hang from a tree.
- \*To keep matches dry--dip stick matches in wax and when needed, scrape off the tip of the match and light. Also keep matches in a waterproof container.
- \*Use 100% cotton balls dipped in vaseline for a fire starter (keep in ziplock bag).
- \*Use ziplock bags to store foods like soup, sauces, chili etc. Freeze the bag and put in cooler. It helps keep other foods cold and when ready to eat, put bag in hot water to heat through.
- \*A good fire starter--cut a cotton cord into 1" lengths and soak in melted wax. Let dry and store in empty film container or ziplock bag.
- \*Use lint from your dryer as a fire starter.
- \*For ease of clean up and to protect from smoke and fire damage, put liquid soap on outside of your pots and pans before putting over fire.

### Creme` de la Creme` of camping desserts: *Fried Camp Pies*

1 can favorite flavor fruit pie filling  
1 can large (like Grands) biscuits  
Margarine or Butter  
Cinnamon Sugar

Roll out one biscuit, place large spoon of filling in center of dough, fold over and crimp edges. Fry in butter or margarine on low to medium heat until done, sprinkle with cinnamon sugar as soon as you remove from heat. Eat carefully! Fillings do get hot! Warning, habit forming!



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## Camping Recipes

### Camper's Pizza

Bread  
Butter  
Mozzarella cheese  
Sauce  
Pepperoni, sliced (or other meat)

Butter one side of two slices of bread. Place one slice of bread on your pie iron with buttered side down. Top with 1 1/2 tablespoons of pizza sauce, cheese and pepperoni. Place other slice of bread on top with buttered side out. Place pie iron on hot coals. Turn often until bread is toasted.

### Baked Spaghetti

1 large onion, chopped  
1 clove of garlic, minced  
4 tablespoons shortening  
1.2 lb ground beef  
2 cups water  
2 cans tomato soup  
2 teaspoons chili powder  
1/2 lb uncooked spaghetti  
1 cup grated sharp cheese

Cook onion and garlic in shortening in Dutch Oven. Add beef and cook. Stir occasionally. Drain excess grease. Mix in the soup, water and chili powder and cook a few minutes longer. Break spaghetti into inch pieces and stir into sauce until all covered. Bake for about 1 hour. Stir approximately every 15 minutes. Then add cheese to top. Bake another 15 minutes.

## Camping Checklist

Don't forget the Peanuts and the Batteries and the Pillows...

- \* Backpack, daypack, and/or fanny pack
- \* Bags for garbage, food and tent
- \* Ice chests
- \* Don't forget the ICE to go along with that!
- \* A bucket (for water): about 5 gallons
- \* An 18-30 gallon Rubbermaid(tm) container for food
- \* Maglight
- \* Gas lantern (and/or electric)
- \* Lighter
- \* Matchers (preferably water proof)
- \* Spare batteries and bulbs
- \* Spare lantern fuel and mantles
- \* Sleeping bag
- \* Tarp (for tent)
- \* Air mattress (optional)
- \* Pillow
- \* TENT
- \* Camp axe or hammer to pound in tent stakes
- \* Shade canopy and rope and stakes
- \* Sunscreen
- \* Bug repellent- spray, citronella candle, etc.
- \* Tylenol
- \* First Aid Kit
- \* Tweezers
- \* Allergy Eye Drops
- \* Pocket Tissues
- \* Moist Towelettes
- \* Washcloth
- \* Shampoo/Conditioner
- \* Toothpaste and toothbrush
- \* Toilet paper
- \* Towels
- \* DEODORANT!
- \* Small shovel
- \* Swiss Army Knife
- \* Compass and map
- \* Duct tape
- \* Safety pins
- \* Camera, and/or camcorder
- \* Money, credit card, ID
- \* Binoculars
- \* Chairs
- \* Travel Clock
- \* Hat/Bandanna
- \* Jacket/Sweater
- \* TWO pairs of shoes
- \* Gloves
- \* Extra socks
- \* Swim suit
- \* Sunglasses
- \* Other clothes
- \* Newspaper (for lighting fire)
- \* Firewood
- \* Cooking apparatus
- \* Tongs
- \* Skewers
- \* Utensils
- \* Tupperware
- \* At least 1/2 gallon of water per person/day
- \* Water bottles
- \* Pancake mix
- \* Cooking oil
- \* Syrup and butter
- \* Potatoes
- \* Bacon
- \* Eggs
- \* Sandwich ingredients
- \* Cocoa, coffee, teas (SUGAR!)
- \* Marshmallows, graham crackers, and Hershey bars
- \* Hot dogs and buns
- \* Milk, juice, soft drinks
- \* Snacks (Doritos!!)
- \* Cereal
- \* Jiffy Pop
- \* Meats (Steak)
- \* Corn on the Cob
- \* Fixin's for stew
- \* Bar soap
- \* Travel mug

## Labor Day Leisure

Students Camp-Out for the holiday

By Becca Holmquist  
Feature Writer

Labor Day weekend was a great time for students to get away from the usual hustle and bustle of the first weeks of school. If you had gone camping with one particular group, you would have seen for yourself what camping can be in its most "educated" and "thorough" fashion.

Their trip started off great when Carrie Hays appeared at Shawna McArthur's door 20 minutes before departure time. Still in her pajamas, with eyes half open, she mumbled, "Can we sleep for another hour?"

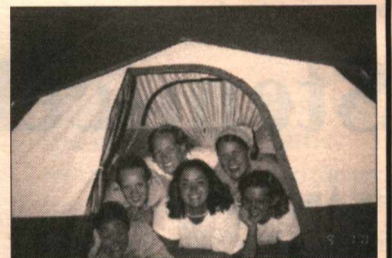
The group got a little nervous when Sarah Orias and Melody

Allgeier's luggage alone filled the entire back of the car. They finally got to their destination and headed straight for water sports on the lake where Matt Holmquist showed his skill and Monty Chitwood won with the "best biff of the day."

Later that night, they settled down around the campfire with s'mores, a game of chubby bunny (won by Matt Chitwood) and good 'ol country campfire songs (lead singer/guitarist: Monty Chitwood. Background vocalist: Carrie Hays).

When the campers finally settled in for the night, all six girls piled into the one four-

man tent with Melissa Proctor and Allgeier squished onto each side. I confirmed this by saying, "This being my first year at NNU, I did not know anyone in the group very well. During the week-



Melody Allgeier

NNU girls stuff into a tent for a good nights sleep.

end, I got to know them in more ways than one."

On Sunday morning, they all enjoyed a good time of sharing with each other after a devotion lead by Matt Chitwood. The rest of the day was filled with more fun at Payette Lake. The nine students strangely enjoyed the thrill of getting drug behind the boat as Monty Chitwood led them over as many waves.

But, while the crew wasn't out on the boat, they found other forms of entertainment. Zach Marble illustrated this as he ever-so-slyly crept after innocent victims in search of the "Mullet of the Week."

With all the fun, laughter, water and sunburns, the nine NNU students had a great time camping together over Labor Day weekend.



Melody Allgeier

NNU students enjoy some quality time "laying out" in the sun during Labor Day weekend.



Scot Mortimer

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# Church Spotlight: College Church

By Jayna Poe  
Off-Campus Writer

Lately, there has been a lot of dust flying around campus from just across the street. College Church (CCN), NNU's wonderful neighbor, is adding on to their current building in hopes of being able to facilitate all the new people who have come to call CCN their church home. Included in the expansion plan are new offices, many new classrooms to house Sunday School classes that have been held in the Wiley Learning Center for the past few years, a new nursery facility and a multi-purpose gym. CCN is very excited about the addition and would appreciate the prayers of the students, faculty and staff of NNU for the safe and speedy completion of this major project.

Apart from the construction, CCN has many, many ministries available to college students. For starters, there are two worship services on Sunday mornings. The contemporary service begins at 9 am and ends around 10:30. It is composed of worship through more contemporary songs led by Music Minister Ryan Ketchum and a variety of worship teams, followed by a sermon from Senior Pastor Daryl Johnson. From 10:45 until 12 pm is the traditional service,



College Church under construction

Shawna McArthur/Crusader

composed of the same things as the early service but in a more formal and traditional setting. There is also a Sunday School class beginning around 10:35 in Wiley 141 for college students—complete with donuts, muffins, orange juice and coffee—taught by Connie and Al Freeman. Currently, the subject matter being discussed is “How to Build Godly Character” using Psalm 15 as the foundation for the class. This should last for another few weeks, however, when asked, Connie Freeman did not know exactly how long this subject would be the

topic of discussion. She did state that she would like to have a group of students involved in the decision making for the class so that material important to the students would receive top priority.

About the class, Freeman said, “I may not be the best teacher, but I do want to be used by God...I want students, when they come to this class, to feel like they have a church home where they can experience spiritual growth.”

Sunday evenings, at 6 pm, is a service called “the Gathering”, which is post-modern style worship. It kicked off

on September 9, 2001, and will continue through the end of the school year. It takes place in the Upper Room, which is above the Franklin Fellowship Hall in CCN. The purpose of this service is to allow different styles of worship to be offered to people of all ages.

During the service, there is generally 30-45 minutes of worship through song led by Music Minister Ryan Ketchum, 10 minutes of guided prayer or meditation and 20-25 minutes of teaching from the Word by various people involved in many dif-

ferent facets of ministries. Though this changes periodically, it most generally follows that basic pattern. Communion is celebrated often, and there are prayer stations in the back to allow for private times of prayer and reflection that are available for use at any time during the service.

While there are many ways to be ministered to at CCN, one of their goals is to provide opportunities to serve. For instance, if there is a certain area of ministry that a student is interested in participating in, the pastors at CCN are more than willing to find places for them to serve.

Some current ministry opportunities include helping with Sunday School classes ranging in age from nursery all the way to adults, helping with Wednesday night programs for children and teens and being on a worship team for one of the three services offered on Sundays.

To receive more information about any of the ministries or opportunities to minister offered by CCN, call the church office at 466-8421 between 9 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday, or stop by the church office, which is currently located at 424 South Juniper Street (across the street from the church in a two-story white house).

## Stem-cell research brought home to Idaho

By Amy Oglevie  
Editor-In-Chief

Before stem-cell therapy became known to millions, Marc and Jeanne Isom had a brief, bittersweet taste of the wonders it could do.

Five-and-a-half years ago, their son, Justin, received stem cells from his baby sister's umbilical cord blood in a bone marrow transplant to fight a rare disease that was destroying his immune system.

After the January 1996 transplant, his improvement was dramatic to the point of miraculous.

“I thought he'd live forever,” Jeanne Isom said.

Then came catastrophe. Unexpectedly, in late October, 5-year-old Justin's liver and kidneys shut down. He died in his parents' arms at Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City.

An autopsy revealed his organs had been damaged by years of chemotherapy, radia-

tion and blood transfusions.

His parents continue to regard the stem cell transplant, the first in the Intermountain West, a success.

“If it had happened before the chemotherapy, the radiation and everything else, things would be a lot different,” remarked Isom.

“We didn't realize at the time what kind of medical breakthrough we were participating in.”

But the title of the book she has co-written with Marilyn Whyte, “Little Green Apples: Tangible Evidence of God's Love for Us,” is proof that in his mother's eyes, Justin's value to the world was greater than the role he played on the frontier of stem cell research.

“Justin brought to us the true essence of life,” she writes in the epilogue. “Through his courage we learned patience, through his love, acceptance and through his trials, humility. His meekness in suffering and purity in spirit taught us

to love life and accept its challenges. There is much joy amid our pain.”

The title comes from a deal the Isoms made with each other after they planted apple trees on their farm southwest of Blackfoot.

The mail-order trees were stick-size when they came. Everyone was talking about who would eat the first apple, which would be in a few years.

“I said, ‘Justin's going to eat the first apple,’” Jeanne Isom said.

The trees began bearing fruit a year ahead of time, in 1996. On 200 trees were 12 tiny apples, and the Isoms nurtured them with all the care they could summon.

In September, Justin ate the first one. Less than six weeks later, he was gone.

“In the two to three weeks after his death, I just didn't know how to handle it,” Jeanne Isom said.

As she had during Justin's

life, she turned again to writing as a form of therapy.

“My endeavor was to heal myself,” she said. She had been writing for about year when she got in touch with Whyte, who was recommended by friends.

“I was absolutely overwhelmed by the story myself,” Whyte said.

Working from the journals Isom kept during Justin's life, they have written a book that details the highs and lows, the joys and sorrows.

“The reader jumps in feet first in the middle of her life,” Whyte said.

“We don't hide that it's difficult,” Isom said. “There were times we didn't want to cope.”

Friends gave the family an immense amount of support, but sometimes, “I just wanted to be normal, not just the one always on the receiving end,” she said.

Time has afforded Isom an outlook she never thought possible in the days following

her son's death.

“We had five years with him, and now it's been five The Isoms have two more children, Julie, now 3, and Benson, who was born in May (and whose middle name is Justin.)

It's no exaggeration to say that Justin occupied his mother's attention almost constantly during his short life. Since then, she's gotten to know her other children better.

“It's almost like I've fallen in love with my other kids,” Isom said.

Justin is still a big part of the family, and they celebrate his birthday each year by eating McDonald's Happy Meals (his favorite) at his grave.

Sometimes she sees him in her other children, and Marc Isom said he catches glimpses of Justin in the children at the Bannock Regional Medical Center, where he now works as a pediatrics nurse.



# Mexico's President Fox visits White House

By Amber Adams  
Off-Campus Editor

On September 6, 2001, a meeting was held before Congress to discuss the granting of legal rights to millions of undocumented Mexican immigrants in the United States. Vicente Fox, Mexico's President called this meeting to petition the United States Government to help them better Mexico and the United States. He admitted that Mexico was in need of help.

He spoke in the name of 100 million Mexicans in his country who were also seeking similar hopes to better Mexico. Not only did he speak for Mexicans living in Mexico, but also more favorably for those Mexicans already in America. He told the legislators that immigrants

were always more of a benefit than a cost to the countries that receive them.

Issues of crime in Mexico were also addressed. In the nine months of Fox's reign, he has already demonstrated the Mexican governments commitment to fighting organized crime by arresting drug traffickers and smugglers of immigrants.

Mr. Fox hopes the legitimacy of this agreement will help level the playing field in negotiations with the United States on narcotics trafficking and illegal immigration. He emphasized over and over again that there must be a greater trust and stronger ties between these two countries; that both have so much to offer each other if the two governments could only trust one another. "Give trust a

chance," he said, to more applause. "Give our two governments a chance."

In a joint statement that was released after the address, both President Fox and President Bush celebrated the "special friendship and authentic partnership" that had been achieved.

The statement indicated that both had come to agreement on sharing assets seized in joint law-enforcement operations. These assets would go to a \$50 million college scholarship program that is intended to spur studies in economic development and would also go towards the creation of a public/private alliance to generate growth in the private sector throughout Mexico.

Fox was very forward and earnest as he spoke to Con-

gress. He expressed how important this agreement was between the Mexican/American relationships. He called the North American Free Trade Agreement an incomplete treaty as he urged legislators to back away from safety standards that have prohibited Mexican trucks from entering the United States. He also spoke out on his legitimacy before the American legislators, "The dream that for decades was unfulfilled is now a reality." Senator Joseph I. Lieberman, Democrat in Connecticut, said, "The bottom line is the fences are going to go down between these two countries, and it's in the interest of both countries that we make it work."

"This is an incredibly complex issue," Mr. Bush said. "It

is complex to the point where my administration is going to spend a lot of time on resolving that type of question." Speaking of the legalization of immigrants in the United States. "But to make matters even more complicated, we've got to work with the Congress, and we've got to come up with a solution that Congress can accept."

Though there are questions raised on both sides of the argument, it is evident that something must be done to bring pure justice to Mexico and America. Congress is at work to bring about social and economic justice to Mexico and the United States. Both countries have much to offer the other, and both can be assets to the other if handled the right way..

## Lethal flu outbreak hits China

By Jayna Poe  
Off-Campus Writer

Hong Kong. A busy trade center and home to at least a couple million Chinese citizens. With that many people and conditions being the way they are, it is an excellent place for the breakout of an epidemic. In 1997, an epidemic dealing with a virus called H5N1, or the chicken virus was narrowly escaped. Needless to say, it was being spread through the sale of live chickens in marketplaces all over Hong Kong and is deadly to humans. Shortly after learning of small breakouts throughout the city, the Chinese government ordered that all chickens be slaughtered in order to stop the spread of the disease.

Upon hearing about a bird influenza, normally ineffective in humans, that was killing people,

a study was started at the University of Wisconsin to discover exactly what it was that made this virus so deadly.

What they have found proves to be very interesting. Dr. Linda Lambert, the influenza program officer at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said, "What is really surprising and kind of made people sit up straight is that what allows the virus to go from nonlethal to lethal may be only a few genes."

In fact, what they have discovered is that possibly the only change required to make this usually harmless virus lethal is one single base, the material that atoms and cells are composed of, within one single genome. During the analysis of the gene sequence, the researchers took two different strains of the same virus, one lethal and one harmless,

and substituted the parts that were different between them. What they found, after observing the effects of replacing the genes, was that a change in the gene PB2, the gene that allows viruses to replicate, appeared to allow the virus to infect humans. The only difference between that of the harmless virus and the lethal one was one base within that single genome.

While the research on the 1997 breakout is relatively new, China's government is wondering if it could still be a potential problem because of recurrences of this illness in the people of China. The University of Wisconsin intends to continue to research this issue to help shed some light on how this disease can be prevented in the future as well shed light on past epidemics.

## Unemployment continues decline

By Sarah Chase  
Off-Campus Writer

This past August saw the worst low of unemployment in recent history since the economy climbed to a peak as jobs declined to 132.3 million nationwide. The drop in employment started this past March, when jobs declined to 132.6 million. Over the summer, the rate of unemployment sat at 4.5 percent. The unemployment surge surpassed the expectations of Wall Street economists, who predicted 4.6 percent, as the rate of unemployment reached 4.9 percent.

The disappearance of the "internet bubble" in the stock market caused this problem.

Many manufacturers, struck the hardest in the downturn of the economy, chose to heavily cut jobs. Altogether, 14,000 employees lost their jobs. In industrial machinery, 25,000 jobs were reduced, making the largest cut in the manufacturing sector. The jobs cut in electrical equipment numbered 19,000.

Worker ranging from 16 to age 24 have been impacted the most by this wave of unemployment. The majority of displaced workers are younger, and make up two-thirds of the monthly employment decline. The work force dropped to 141.4 million by 400,000 job cuts.

The unemployment rate now is comparatively low to the height it attained in the past two

decades. Twenty years ago, the unemployment rate was 7.4 percent. Ten years ago, 6.9 percent was the height it reached. Looking back five years, the rate of unemployment was 5.1 percent.

President Bush announced that he is currently more concerned about the economy instead of his original priority: education. Through Congress, Bush pushed a tax cut and refund as the Fed dropped rates and the stock market suffered a decline. Since the Internal Revenue Service started mailing tax refunds out, anticipations for a surplus in the budget have become a subject of disagreement in Washington.

## Mayor Horn:

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rate. She related that from 1999 to 2000, Nampa grew 83%. Along with that growth comes many challenges.

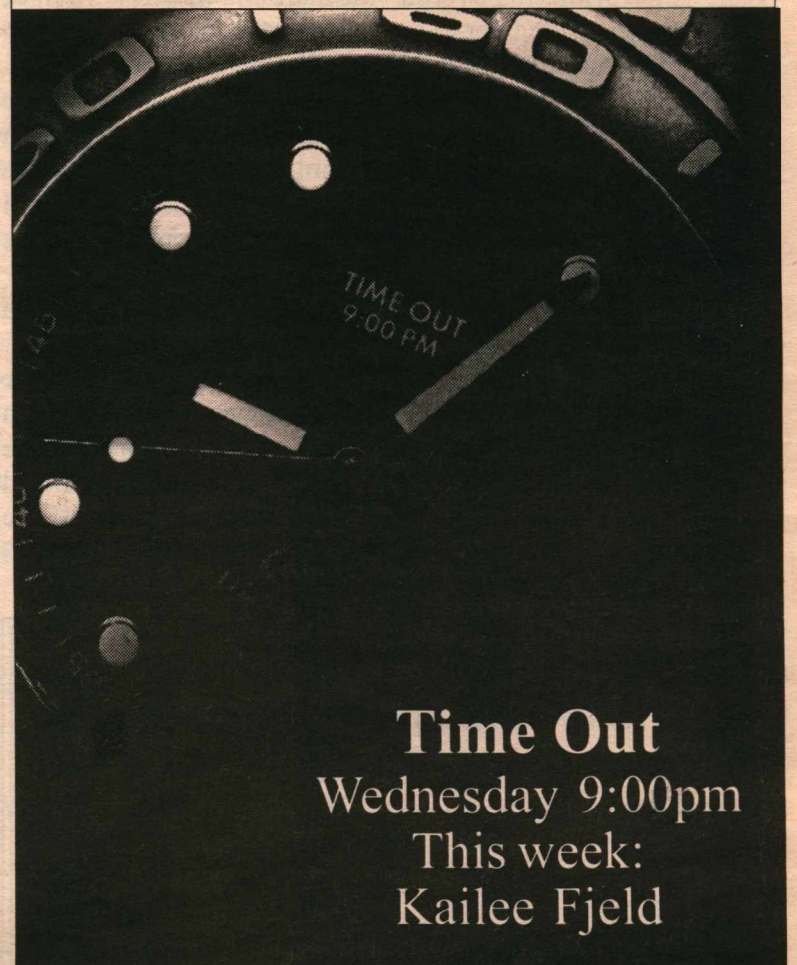
Traffic has been one of the biggest challenges of her administration. Among other projects, she has worked with other city officials to widen the Franklin overpass to four lanes and do the same with the 11th Ave. underpass, which will begin in about a month.

Another major challenge that the population growth has incurred is the school system. Nampa has been working to keep up with a steady inflow of school children. According to Horn, there has been about 700 new kids enrolled each year for

the last two or three years.

Of course, the city is very closely connected with NNU and its development throughout the years. Mercy Medical Center, Northwest Nazarene, and the City of Nampa made a sort of three-way trade in order for NNU to attain the property that now holds the Brandt Center and Holly Street was rerouted all while Horn was on the city council. She asserts that these kinds of events have validated the fact that NNU is indeed a vital part of the community.

Mayor Horn expresses a desire to see Northwest Nazarene University grow and continue to be a valuable part of the Nampa community, and this will certainly be one of her continued concerns as she hopes to remain in office for another four years.



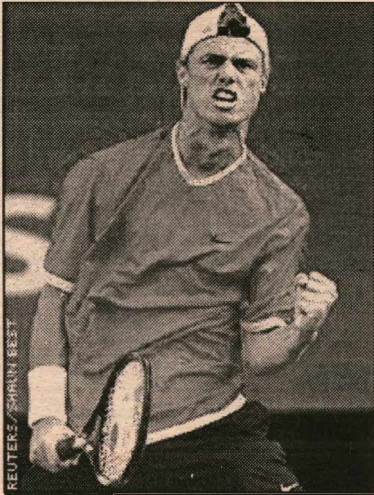
**Time Out**  
Wednesday 9:00pm  
This week:  
Kailee Fjeld

# Youth triumphs at US Open

By Matt Fraley  
Sports Editor

A new champion reigns over the U.S. Open, a 19 year old man by the name of Lleyton Hewitt. Incidentally, he reminds the tennis fan of a former champion, the one facing him, Pete Sampras. The young Australian's game mirrored that of the veteran's in his better days when he would walk out onto his "home court" in New York. Hewitt who faced Sampras the year before but lost in straight sets in the semifinals was not ready to let his chance slip away again as he beat the former champion 7-6, 6-1, 6-1. He would treat Sampras the same way Marat Safin did in the title game the previous year. Sampras, who uncharacteristically was taken into a tiebreak in the first set, could only fold under the pressure and the youth of Hewitt. The Aussie was playing at his best and Sampras seemed to be struggling. What went wrong for the four-time champion of the US Open?

battling injuries but has also succumbed to the precocious aging process in Tennis. At 30, "Sir Pete" is already considered old (at best a veteran). He can still hit the



Hewitt celebrates after winning the US Open

a guy like Sampras (the best service-volleyer in the game) be flustered at the net. He was even considered to be a better returner than Agassi.

The next factor to Sampras' loss might be fatigue. He faced three former U.S. Open champs on his way to the finals (Agassi, Rafter and Safin) which might have taken a toll on the veteran who seemed to run out of gas after the first set.

Finally, in Sampras' eyes, he met up with a true champion, one we will hear about for many years to come.

Sampras was not angry after the match, but rather content to have succumbed to the game of a rising pro, a youth with whom he can relate and for whom he admits to have great respect and admiration.

ball like nobody's business, and he can serve faster than the Huskies can score two defensive touchdowns, but what he was not ready for was Hewitt's returning ability.

This brings me to my next point: Hewitt has wheels. Not only can he return any serve you send his way, he can make

## Venus, queen of the court

By Matt Fraley  
Sports Editor

Venus has been unstoppable lately, particularly against the best. Davenport, Hingis, even Capriati have had their troubles when facing Venus. She has been a force on the court and has even triumphed over her sister. This U.S. Open victory is the second over Serena this year, which brings her overall record against her sister to 5-2. There is just no stopping Venus...when she is doing well.

intennis and battling to become a legend, but all notions of age seem to detract when one looks at her game.

If she continues to dominate like she has recently and duels her sister for titles, she will be remembered for ages to come. However, Serena has the same ability to improve and perform admirably like her sister. She has a lot of potential but seems to be more emotional than Venus, which often distracts her from playing her true game.

Injuries last year held her back from being ranked first, but this year she has already played more games and has been far more successful. It is easy to forget that she lost to Hingis in the Australian Open semifinals when you see her bounce back and win in straight sets in the U.S. Open. She seems to win easily with her cool attitude on the court. It is amazing to think that this college-aged girl is the best

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## Wild Card Race

### American League

	W	L	PCT	GB
Athletics	87	57	.604	-
Twins	76	68	.528	11.0
White Sox	74	70	.514	13.0
Red Sox	72	69	.511	13.5
Angels	73	71	.507	14.0

### National League

	W	L	PCT	GB
Giants	80	64	.556	-
Cardinals	79	64	.552	0.5
Dodgers	78	65	.545	1.5
Cubs	78	65	.545	1.5
Phillies	75	68	.524	4.5

## Understanding the wild card

By Andy Nilson  
Sports writer

Don't look now, but the Anaheim Angels actually have a chance at making the playoffs. This is a team that for the past 11 years has finished with no more than 85 wins and hasn't been in the playoffs since the Chernobyl nuclear accident. What does that mean? I don't know, but if you live near Hanford, WA and the Angels start to do really good, I'd start packing my bags.

Currently the Angels are 31 games behind the AL-West-leading Seattle Mariners, which pretty much eliminates the Angels from winning the division. However, because of the wild card spot, teams like the Angels can still smell the playoffs despite the fact that they are still fourteen games behind the Oakland A's in the race for this coveted seed. If the playoffs were to start today, the Mariners, Indians, Yankees, and A's from the American League and the Astros, Diamondbacks, Braves, and Giants from the National League would all be playing for a chance at the World Series.

Since the new playoff format has been implemented, several teams have had a chance to play in the post-season that would not have under the old format. In my opinion, baseball did a good thing in changing the number of teams that make the playoffs. It gives teams more opportunities to enter the post-season and makes the final weeks of the regular season very exciting because there are so many teams close to making the playoffs that a single win or loss could determine if a team goes to the playoffs or not. This is also a point that many people feel detract from the game.

Some argue that it is not fair for a team to miss the playoffs because of a single loss towards the end of a season. Others think that only the most elite teams should be in the playoffs and that if a "wild card" team advances to the World Series, it is only because of a fluke.

Whatever your view is of baseball's fairly recent addition, the season is beginning to wind down to its final months. Hopefully, your team will survive the season and continue playing through October.

## AP Top 25 college football poll

TEAM	1st	W-L	PTS	PVS
1. Miami Fla	(40)	(2-0)	1,749	1
2. Florida	(14)	(2-0)	1,715	2
3. Oklahoma	(11)	(3-0)	1,638	3
4. Nebraska	(2)	(3-0)	1,521	5
5. Texas	(4)	(2-0)	1,490	4
6. Florida St		(2-0)	1,426	6
7. Oregon		(2-0)	1,294	7
8. Tennessee		(2-0)	1,263	8
9. Virginia Tech		(2-0)	1,227	9
10. Georgia Tech		(3-0)	1,092	10
11. Fresno St	(1)	(3-0)	973	19
12. Kansas St		(1-0)	970	12
13. Washington		(1-0)	947	15
14. UCLA		(2-0)	895	14
15. LSU		(2-0)	856	13
16. Northwestern		(1-0)	676	16
17. Mississippi St		(1-0)	615	18
18. South Carolina		(2-0)	580	21
19. Clemson		(2-0)	536	20
20. Michigan		(1-1)	510	11
21. Ohio St		(1-0)	258	24
22. Oregon St		(1-1)	212	22
23. Notre Dame		(0-1)	211	17
24. BYU		(3-0)	148	NR
25. Louisville		(3-0)	129	NR

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## AT 17 (MONTHS) HER MUSIC TASTES MATCH DAD'S

You will die of jealousy when I tell you who I recently saw live in concert:

The Bear in the Big Blue House. For those of you who do not have small children, let me explain that The Bear in the Big Blue House is a major morning-TV star. I'd go so far as to say that, with his talent, some day he could be as big as Elmo. We watch his show every morning while we're feeding our 17-month-old daughter, Sophie, her breakfast, by which I mean picking her food off the floor and checking to see if it's still clean enough to eat.

I like the Bear's show because it meets the single most important artistic criterion for children's TV: It is not Barney. I hate Barney, because he is a large, annoying purple wad of cuteness, and his songs are lame, and some of the "children" on the show appear to be in their mid-20s. They are definitely too old to skip, and yet they skip

everywhere. They must have a mandatory skipping clause in their contracts because it is their only mode of transport. If they were in a burning building, they would skip to the exits. I suspect that when they finish taping the Barney show, they skip behind the studio and drink gin.

On "The Bear in the Big Blue House," there are no children, only animals, the main one being the bear, which I assume is a guy wearing a bear suit, although it moves in a realistic manner, so it could be an actual bear wearing a bear suit. The bear has various animal friends, which are played by people's hands inside puppets. (DISCUSSION QUESTION: Do the hands wear the puppets when they rehearse? Or is the rehearsal just a bunch of naked hands talking to each other?)

Anyway, one morning we were reading the newspaper and picking Sophie's food off the floor, and suddenly my wife



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said: "The Bear is going to give a live concert in Miami!" "The Bear in the BIG BLUE HOUSE?" I said. "Yes!" she said, and we both became more excited than when the Berlin Wall fell. This gives you an idea how pathetic it is to be the parent of a small child. Of course, we got tickets to the show, which was also attended by, at a conservative estimate, very small child in the western hemisphere. There has probably never been an event where more audience members were wearing diapers, other than a Tom Jones concert.

The bear's show was excellent by any artistic standard,

except the standard of being able to actually hear it. That was because at any given moment, at least a third of the audience was crying. Fortunately, Sophie was in a good mood: She stood on our laps for the whole show, clapping and shouting "Yayyyy!" in response to everything that happened, including the announcement that flash photographs were prohibited. Despite the audience noise level, it was possible, if you listened hard, to follow the program. It opened with one of the bear's hit songs: "What's That Smell?"

"Hey!" I shouted to my wife. He's singing "What's That Smell?!" We sang along, as did many other parents. Meanwhile, all over the theater, youngsters responded to the song by shouting, shrieking, falling down, running away, crying, babbling, rolling on the floor, sleeping, gurgling, burping and going to the bathroom. At the end of the song, Sophie clapped her hands

and went "Yayyyy!" This was the basic procedure for all the rest of the songs.

During the intermission, vendors came into the theater to sell — I swear — helium balloons. Many children got them, which meant that the audience, in addition to not being able to hear, could not see. Nevertheless, we parents continued to sing along to such hit songs as "Magic in the Kitchen," "The Bear Cha Cha Cha" and my personal favorite, "Otter Love Rap," a hip-hop style of song that explores the too-often-ignored topic of otters who love, and the otters who love them. I don't mind saying that I was "getting down" to that particular song, and so was Sophie, to judge from her comment when it ended ("Yayyyy!").

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## Cloning raises issues of morality

By Ron Kratochwill  
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Have you ever wanted children that look like your favorite movie star or president? Can you imagine little Tommie or Billie running around the house? Or do you just want a stock pile of completely compatible organs in case something goes wrong with yours? Well now you can do all that and more for discounted prices. Just come on down to one of Bob's Fairly Reliable Clone Center's to have a free consultation.

One of today's most controversial issues is the subject of cloning. It is brought up in discussions all over the United States and in many other countries. But why is this subject so hot and what makes it so controversial? These questions have many good possible answers. Some of the best reasons

cloning should be banned include the biblical standpoint, the scientific knowledge standpoint and the moral/ethical standpoint.

The Bible does not have much to say about cloning directly but it does have subject matter that deals with cloning indirectly. In the time the Bible was written, cloning was, well a mute issue to say the least. Scholars during that time lacked the knowledge of DNA itself, let alone the knowledge to use it to clone someone. However, there are certain teachings in the Bible that would most definitely cast a negative light on the subject.

According to Genesis 2:24 and I Corinthians 6:16, the sexual experience is said to occur on a spiritual level "they will become one flesh". So, is it not also safe to conclude that conception itself occurs on a spiritual level. If the sexual experi-

ence is non-existent in the process of conception, will the creation truly possess all the characteristics of a human? Will a cloned human being truly have a soul? Although this question will probably never be answered in this world, is it something that we should play around with?

The second good argument that can be waged against cloning pertains to the amount of scientific knowledge that we currently have in genetics. Do we have enough scientific knowledge to play God, and if we do, will we succeed?

We currently have enough knowledge to be able to make a clone of a human being. However, we do not have enough knowledge to be sure without the shadow of a reasonable doubt that we can make a viable clone. The clone we create may have severe deformi-

ties or an inability to adapt to certain infections. They might not even survive the cloning process. Do we have the right to play with human life so casually?

One of the biggest ethical and moral arguments with whether it is morally right to tamper with God's creation. God created us all unique and in His own image. Can we assume the right to tamper with God's creation and say that what he created and ordained is not good enough? God created us all to be unique: no two persons look exactly alike, think exactly alike or act exactly alike. He has created each of us different from everyone else on this planet. The Father's creation is just how He wanted to be for a reason.

Another moral argument that has to be dealt with pertains to treatment of clones in a so-

cial atmosphere. One of the possible byproducts of cloning is creating exact duplicates of oneself for the purpose of organ replacement later in life. The moral dilemma is easy to see in this case but this one also brings up others. These moral dilemmas, surround how clones will be treated in society and how well they will be able to adapt to it. In addition to these moral dilemmas there are many more in the same subject area.

The concept of cloning has many problems; these are only a few of them. The issues presented here just give you a glimpse into the severe implications of cloning. Cloning has a great potential to be abused in many ways and could lead to great injustice and sin. Think about the chance to get burned before playing with the fire.

And now...for something completely different

Q: What is the most bizzare thing you've said during layout night at the Crusader?



A: Why is the printer making pretty Chinese fans?

Amy Oglevie  
Editor-in-Chief



A: Hey, the cake is great, but the hippo has to go.

Ron Kratochwill  
Graphics Editor



A: Mackay is curled up in the corner...again.

Ryan Hanson  
Off-Campus Editor



A: Je ne sais pas!

Matt Fraley  
Sports Editor

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Top Ten Excuses to Miss a Class

10. The 'Dex' is serving ice cream.
9. Your money is being used either way.
8. If you don't get to class, you don't have homework...right?
7. Like professors make any sense that early in the morning.
6. You can get a better nap in your own bed.
5. It's time to work on my "M-r-s." degree
4. Shopping is a lot more fun.
3. The woods are calling.
2. Snooze, Snooze, Snooze.
1. It's not time to go yet.

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