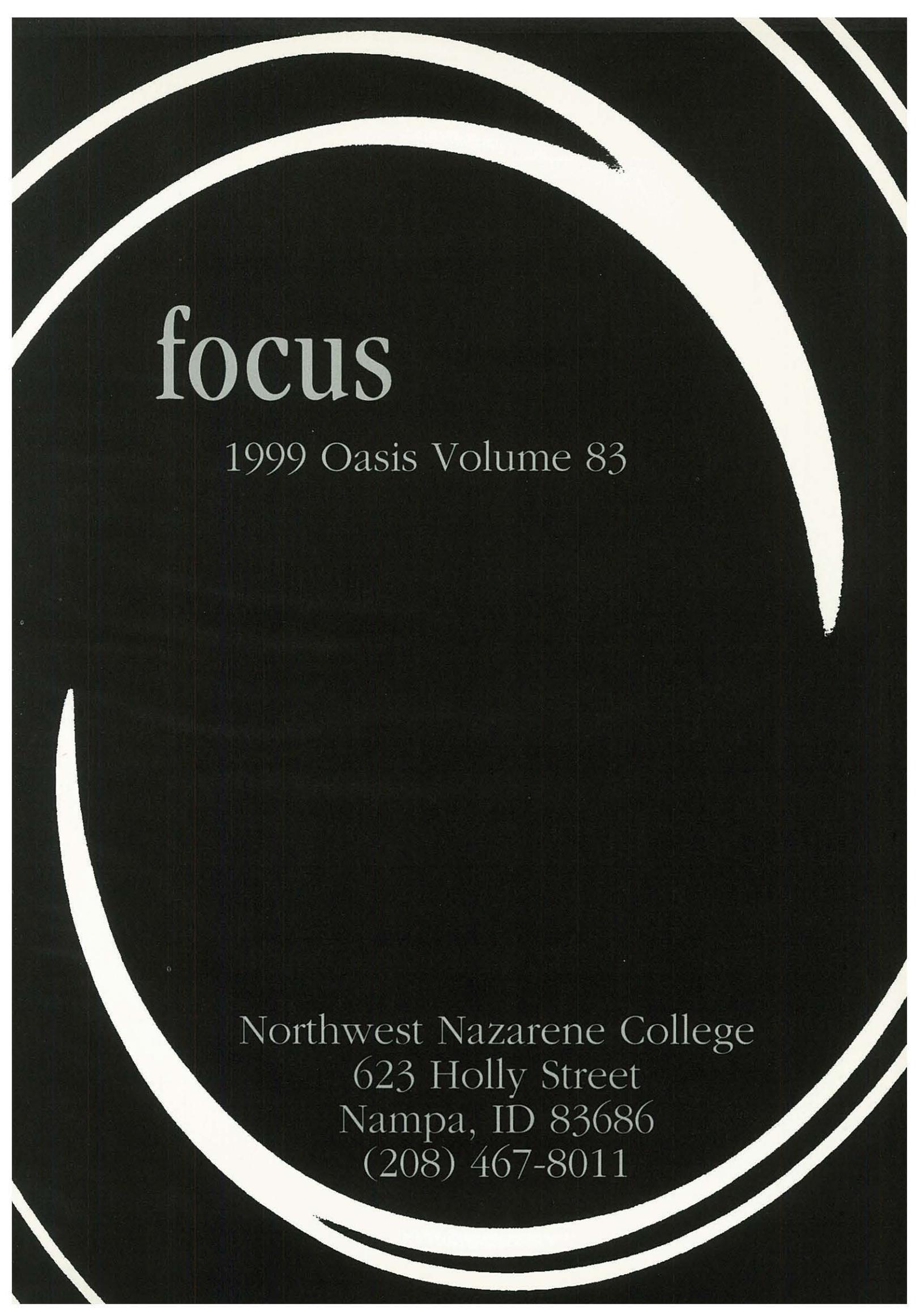


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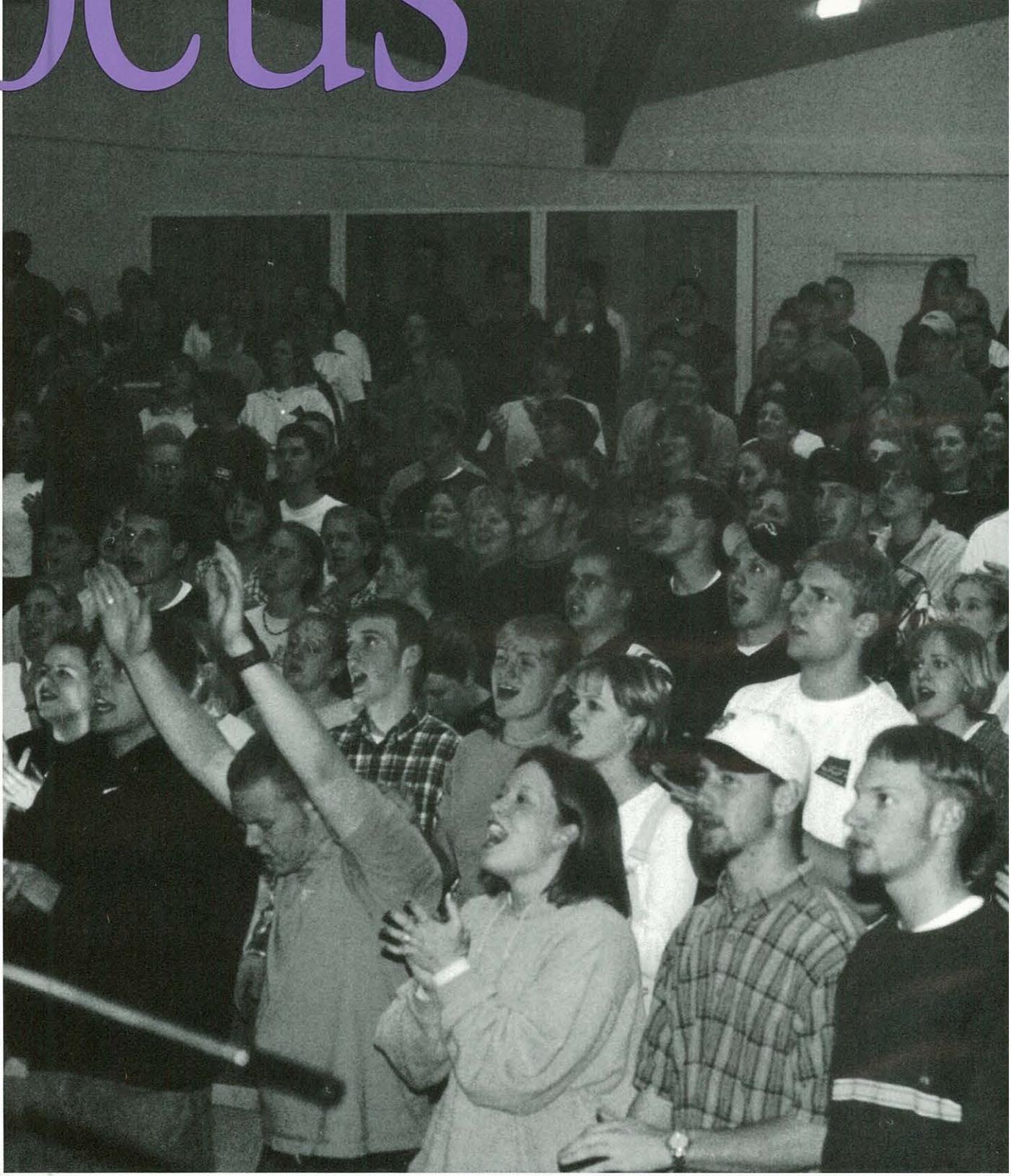


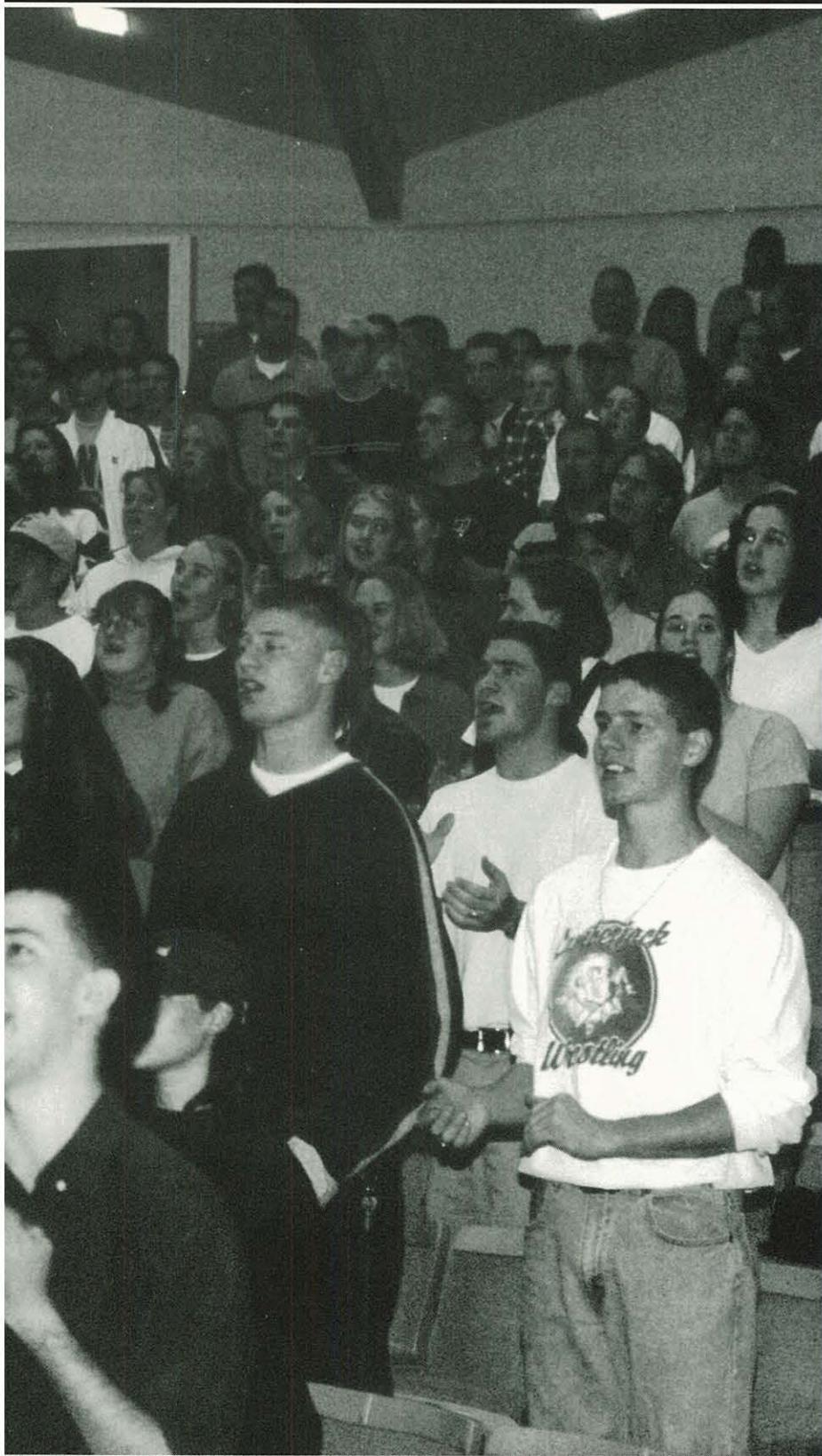
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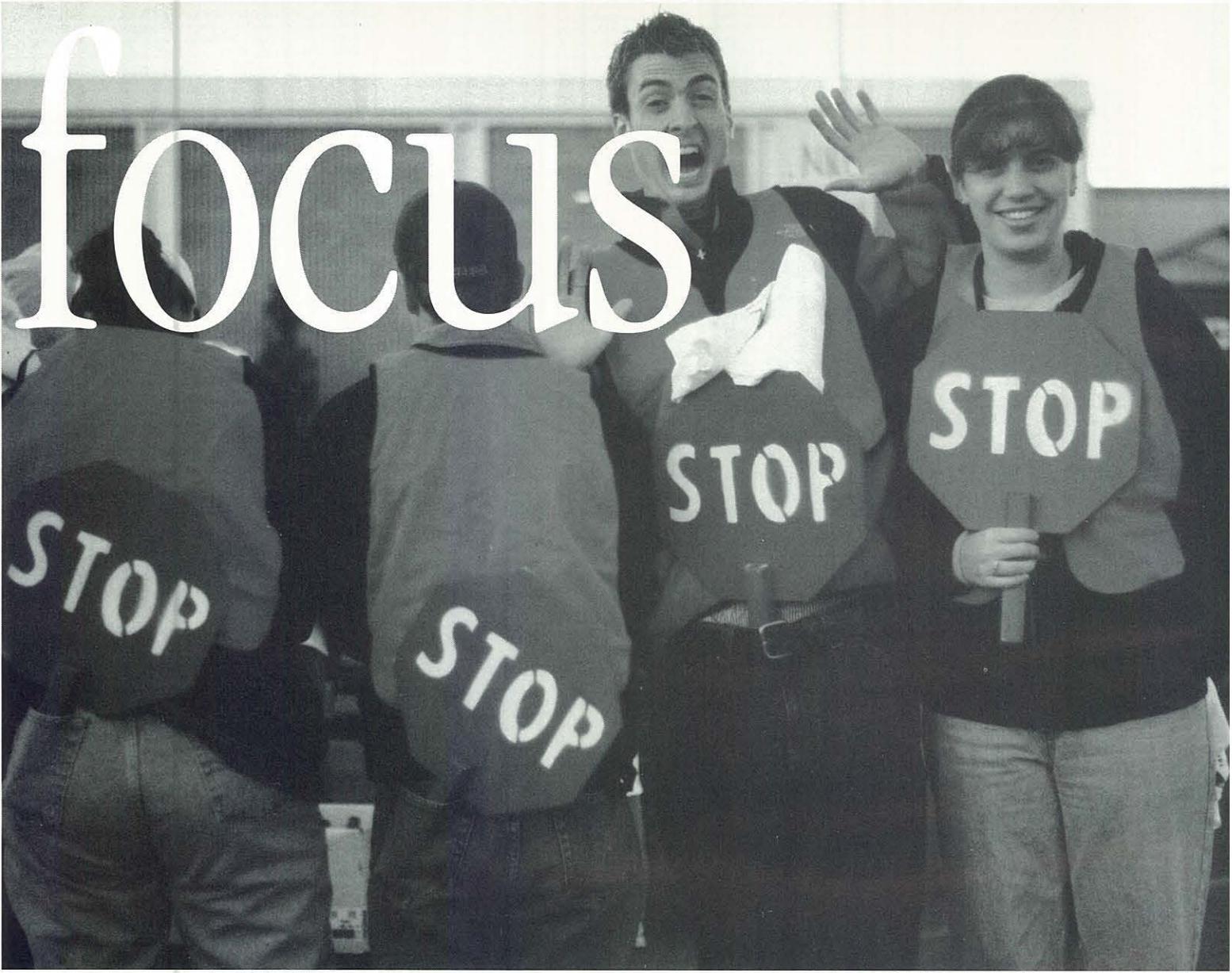
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It was a year unlike any other. Across the globe, unrest and turmoil peaked in Kosovo causing more than a million citizens to flee their homes. Within the United States, President Clinton's trials came to a close, ending in an acquittal. In April, the nation was shocked by the tragic shootings in Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado.

Locally, Nampa, as well as Northwest Nazarene College, mourned the loss of its longtime benefactor, John Brandt. Among the NNC community, changes were abundant. Computer labs were installed in each dorm. The Center of the Universe and the trees that had lined the walkway between Holly Street and the Administration Building were removed. Administration began the process of switching from terms to semesters, and the Board of Regents made the decision to change the name to Northwest Nazarene University.

Through all the significant changes and life-changing events, campus traditions remained: Welcome Week, Freshere, Homecoming, Mr. NNC, student government elections, and graduation. Most importantly, the campus community stood firm in its commitment to "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God." In a world that sometimes seems to be spinning out of control, the NNC community kept a clear focus on the God who reigns over all. The Oasis staff chose "Focus" as the theme for the yearbook to encourage all of us to consider where we place our focus. With the busyness of life, it is sometimes easy to lose sight of a deeper purpose. Our hope is that all who read this book will look back and remember not only the fun times had at NNC, but also the lessons learned and commitments made. Wherever you are today, consider - Where is your Focus?

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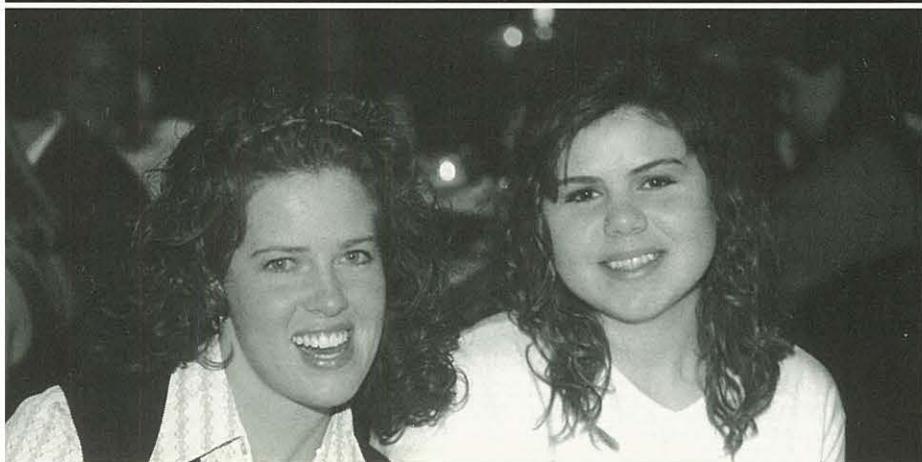
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Above: John Leavell and Cara Heffner are excited about the early autumn morning as they help with the Harvest Classic Fun Run at Karcher Mall in Nampa. **Above Right:** ASNNC Secretary Alesha Halvorson wonders who will be the lucky fellow as she is bid upon at the annual Luv Auction in February. **Right:** Matt Sanders and Ben Potter lead music during Time Out on Wednesday nights. **Far Right:** Seniors Janet Krause and April Beaver enjoy the Valentine's Banquet in Marriott.





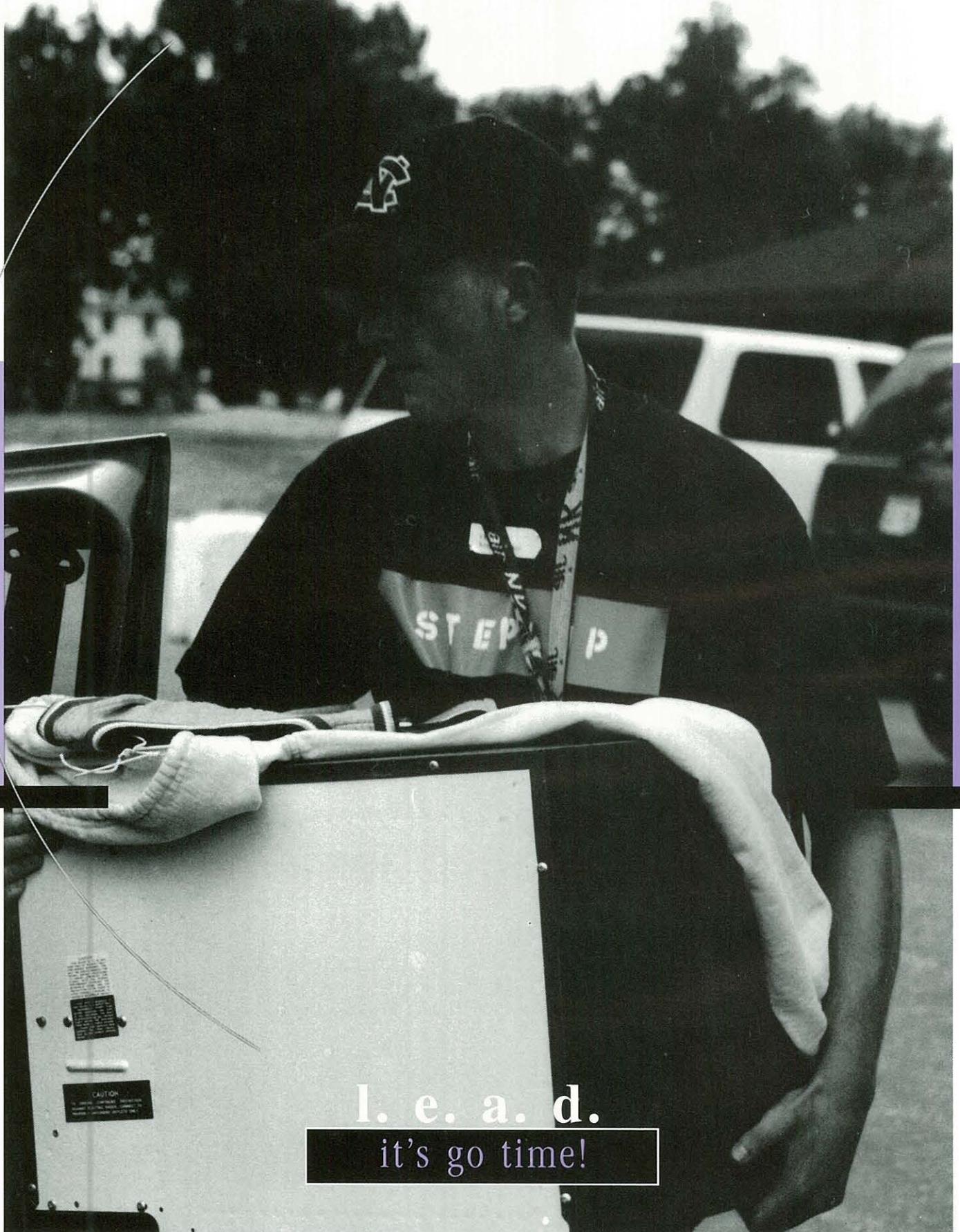
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Stepping Up



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it's go time!

Above: Stepping Up to serve, Freshmen RA Keegan Lenker carries a soon-to-be treasured appliance into Ford Hall. LEAD participants and NNC professors helped move in the new class.



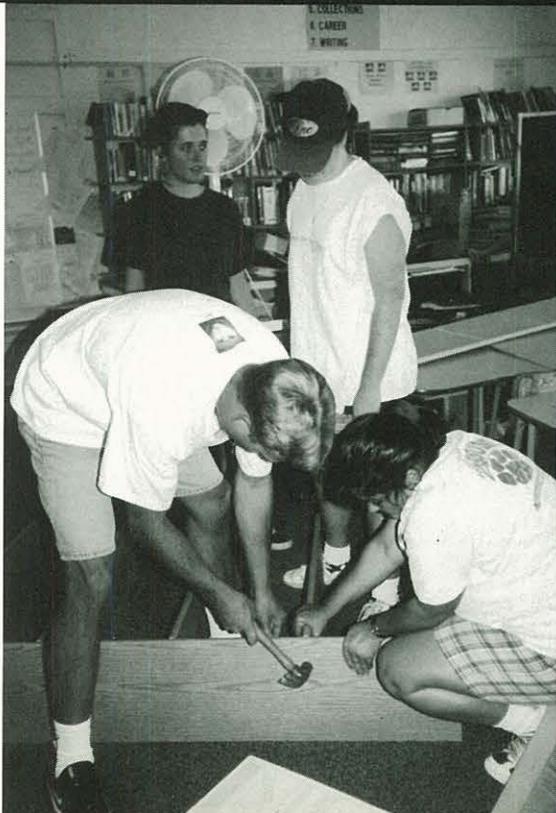
Fun and fellowship filled the air as the LEAD participants arrived on campus on Saturday, September 12. This began the six-day week filled with a lot of fun, as well as a lot of learning. The theme for the retreat was “Step Up.” The speaker, Gene Schandorff, challenged the student leaders to be servants and to make themselves living sacrifices for God.

The activities of the week included devotions led by Schandorff, as well as informative seminars given by Joanne Rittmueller and Carey Cook. Also, groups tackled different initiatives. These initiatives included getting every group member (about 15-18 people) on a palette of wood. Not only did each member of the group have to get on the palette, but they all had to get there by swinging on a

rope that was hanging from a swing set. The initiatives required the groups work together and communicate. The students found that it wasn’t as easy as it looked.

Along with all the learning activities, the leaders also knew how to have a good time. A new game was introduced to many participants: MAFIA! There were several people awake at 3:30am screaming to their friends, “I am not mafia!” Whether they were or not remained a secret.

All in all, LEAD was a success in the eyes of the NNC leaders. Andrea Young, an RA in Ford Hall, commented, “I could just sense a huge excitement throughout the week, and we could really feel God’s presence. I really felt God was promising that this year would be in his hands and that it would be exciting. That really encouraged me.”



Top: Ministry Presidents and Ford Hall RAs learn team-work during one of the initiatives at LEAD. **Left:** Amateur architects Kevin Jensen, Colleen Jensen, Amy Mason, and Heather Staffenson assemble a shelving unit at the Scism School in Nampa. When LEAD participants returned from McCall they spent an afternoon volunteering at the school. **Right:** Determined and devoted to lifting up their campus in prayer, Stephanie Ortman, Michelle Wisecaver, and Shawn Blenker pray together. LEAD emphasized “Stepping Up” as a spiritual leaders in the campus and community.

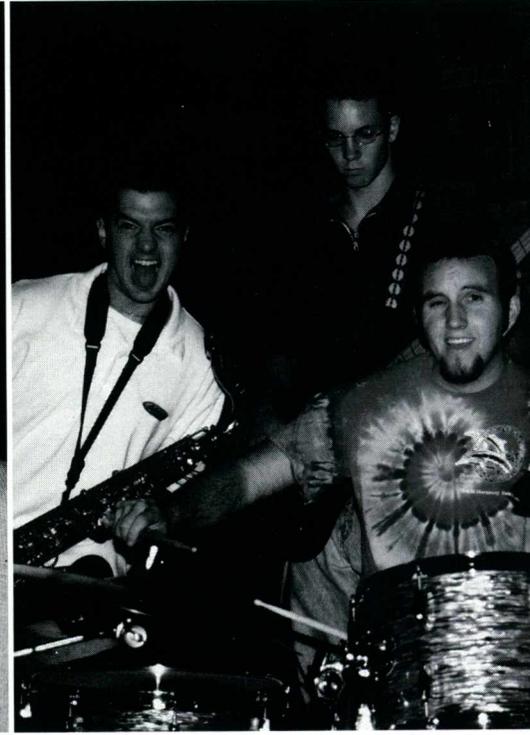
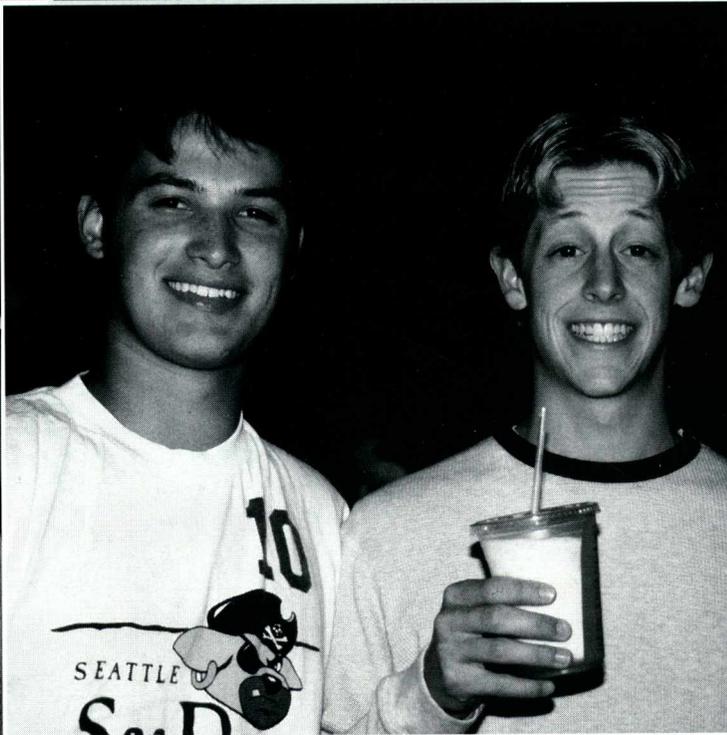
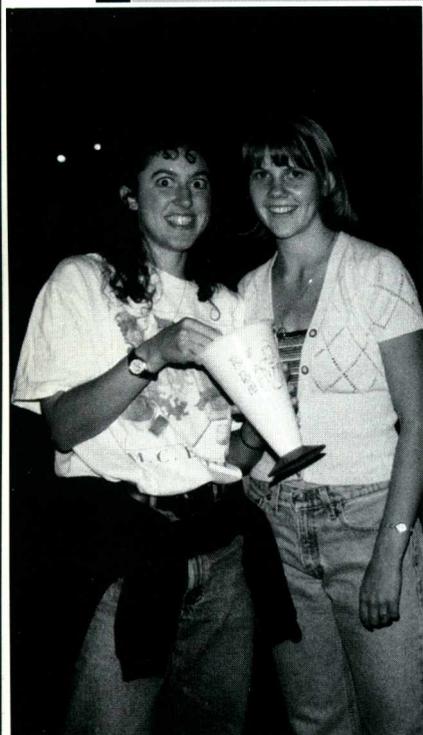
students New and Old

Welcome Week Activities

- Thursday, September 17
 - New student check-in
 - Ice Cream Social
- Friday, September 18
 - Bonfire
- Saturday, September 19
 - "Welcome" - A Sophomore Tradition
- Sunday, September 20
 - Rendezvous at faculty and staff homes
- Monday, September 21
 - Boondocks
 - New Student Blast
- Tuesday, September 22
 - Classes begin
 - Rootbeer Fest
- Wednesday, September 23
 - Time Out
- Thursday, September 24
 - Jazz on the Lawn at the Brick House
- Friday, September 25
 - Rollerscamming

welcome week

let the good times roll



Top: Mindi Adams babbles on during the Commuter Student Party. Welcome Week provided opportunity for students to get together and join in the fun, food, and games. **Left:** Captivated by the bright flash from the camera, Erin Harri and Molly Rogers produce stunning smiles at Rootbeer Fest '98. **Center:** Cheers! Welcome Week's Jazz on the Lawn provided good times with new friends for students Gerry Singleterry and Michael T. Spengler. **Right:** Overcome with excitement, Brandon Hill accompanies his not so energetic bandmates, Matthew Neale and David Coles. The band provided cool tunes for Jazz on the Lawn, held annually at the Brick House.



In the words of Hollie Larson, the first week of college could be paraphrased as “meeting people over toothpicks and lifesavers.” It was a time of vast socialization, ice-breaking games, and person-to-person meetings which initiated freshmen into the world of NNC. The class of 2002 was welcomed to campus with barbeques, a bonfire, meetings with professors and peers, a rendezvous, and the Sophomore Welcome Bash.

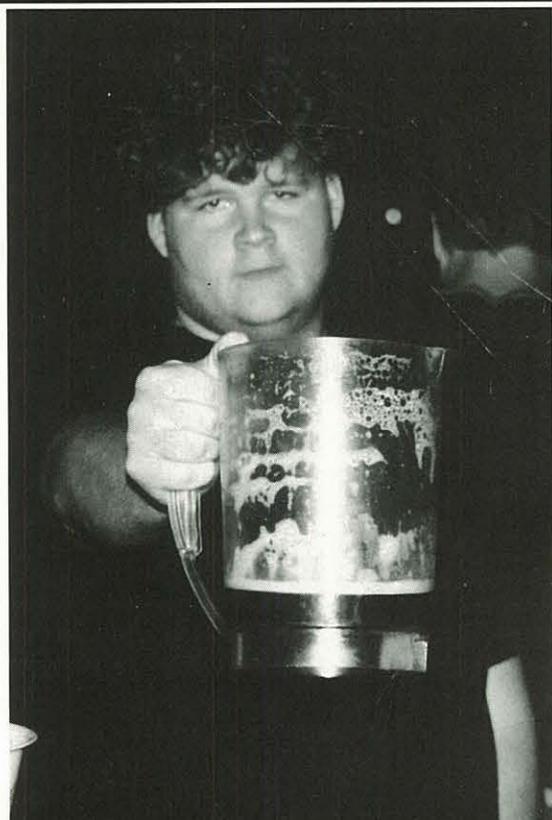
Day one was move-in day, September 17. LEADers and ASNNC volunteers met students at their cars to help transport heavy boxes to their rooms. A devotional in the Brandt Center, an ice cream social, and dorm meetings followed.

On to day two. After unpacking a few boxes and learning names on their wings, the world of academia became a focus as students met with professors and attended their first class convocation. An afternoon

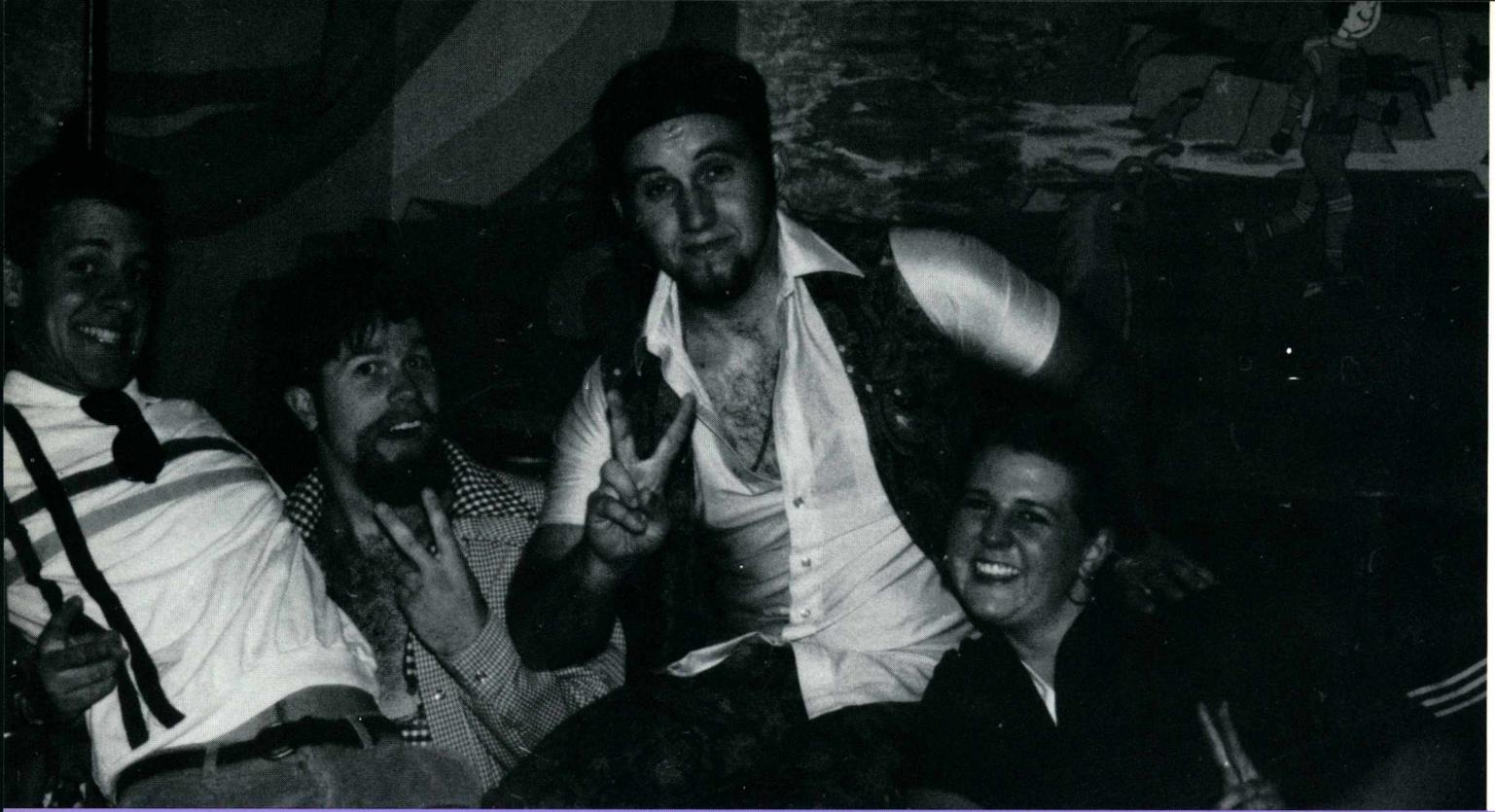
Barbeque sponsored by Dr. Hagood helped students and parents to come out of their shells and settle in more. Amber Dillon said, “It felt like everybody was together.” Friday’s blazing bonfire created many first impressions and was, in the words of Amy Johnson, “a first glimpse of who people were.”

On the 19th, at the Sophomore Welcome Bash, the key phrase was, “Do you have the love bug?” It was a red stone that went around the room to be redeemed for a prize for anyone who could hold onto it. Sophomore representatives also entertained the class of 2002 with dating skits and relays--“meetings over toothpicks and lifesavers.”

Sunday night, however, was an encouragement for any who had experienced anxiety as parents left. Karrie Bray of Morrison Hall said that Sunday night’s rendezvous provided reassurance. She said, “The peer counselors, my group, and Professor Poe were *cont. on page 10*



Top: Lindsay Van Soest lifts her belongings and prepares to move in to Morrison Hall. NNC’s campus became a new home for many incoming students. **Left:** “Fill’er up,” says David Fonger as he drinks up at Rootbeer Fest, furnishing his very own Big Gulp. Fonger and many others joined together to enjoy rockin’ rootbeer floats at Rootbeer Fest 98! **Right:** Want a scoop? Missy Rasmussen, Alesha Halvorson, Chris Field, and Kari Buckendorf serve NNC’s version of Baskin Robins’s 31 flavors. NNC’s new students enjoyed an ice cream social after a hard day of moving in.

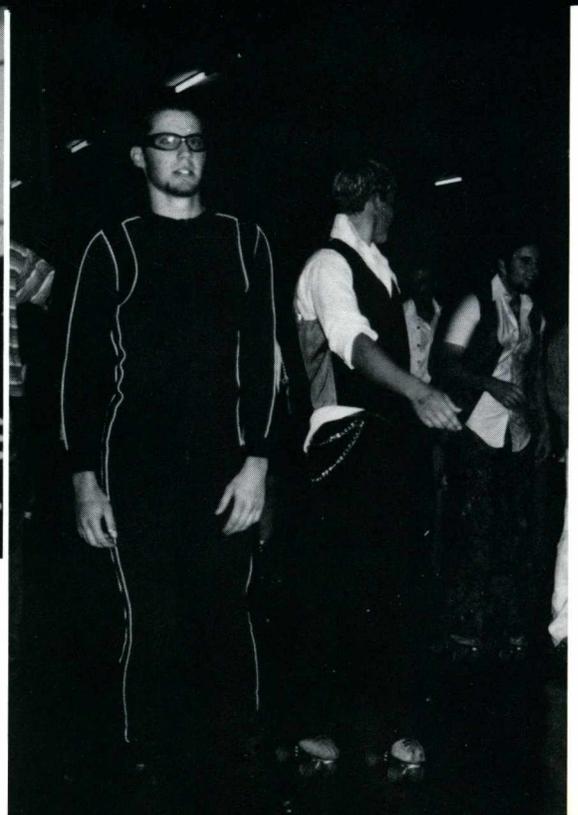


supportive. I felt so at home and so welcome, and it made me forget all about homesickness.” Mark Hayse said that the small group settings were positive because people could really bond.

Freshmen savored the last bit of their life-changing weekend socializing in front of the dorms and in lobbies. As classes finally began, Christine Jones summed up what many were feeling, “I’m nervous and excited and all of the above.”

Welcome Week introduced freshmen and transfer students to returning students through fun events. Tuesday’s Rootbeer Fest featured *Apollo 13* on Chapman lawn. Wednesday was the first fall Time Out with speaker Perla Aragon. In her message, she urged students to pray with love and humility for those who sin, rather than criticizing those sinners. At Thursday’s Jazz on the Lawn, students were served free

Italian sodas and were entertained by the melodic chords of a student band, featuring Matt Neale, Dave Coles, Brandon Hill, Chris Cowan, and Charles Ecker. Friday night’s Rollerscamming gave students a chance to strut their 70s threads, but unfortunately, rain put a damper on the event because people waiting in the long line to enter the rink got soaked. Skates also ran out quickly. “It was fun anyway,” said Laura Luckey, “because you got to see people all dressed up.” Karrie Bray said that it was funny to see a group of guys dressed in tight, shiny, flared pants. “They mixed their outfits so that one wore the matching top and the other the matching pants and vice versa,” she said. “They were so tall and muscular I couldn’t believe they fit into them.” Saturday’s All School Barbeque concluded the week. Freshmen, who said goodbye to parents and to summer, settled in to start their college careers behind this festive backdrop of Welcome Week.



Top: Jeff Norris, Doyle Harris, David Coles, and Dena Jones flash the photographer groovy peace signs. These students were just a few of the many who went to NNC’s annual rollerscamming event. **Left:** Gerry Singleterry, Briana Toland, Lacey Tutt, Lindsay VanSoest, and Jinette Revels pose for a picture at Rollerscamming. This years theme was the 70’s. **Right:** Looking for that perfect match, Kyle Fischer skates around in his red suit.

Groovin' and Scammin'



welcome week

we're back!!!

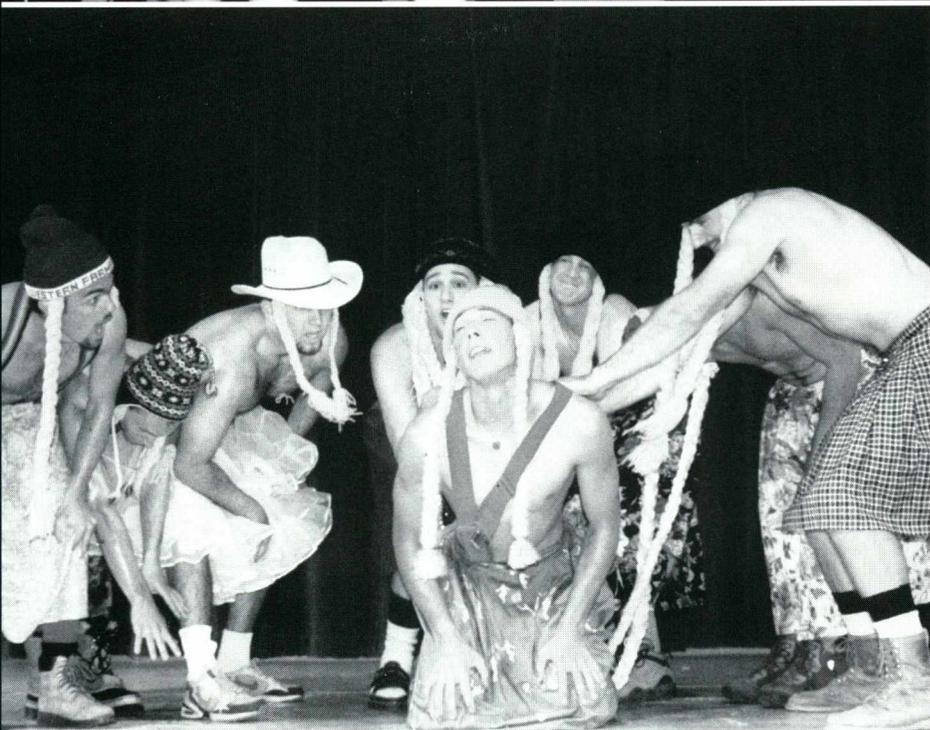
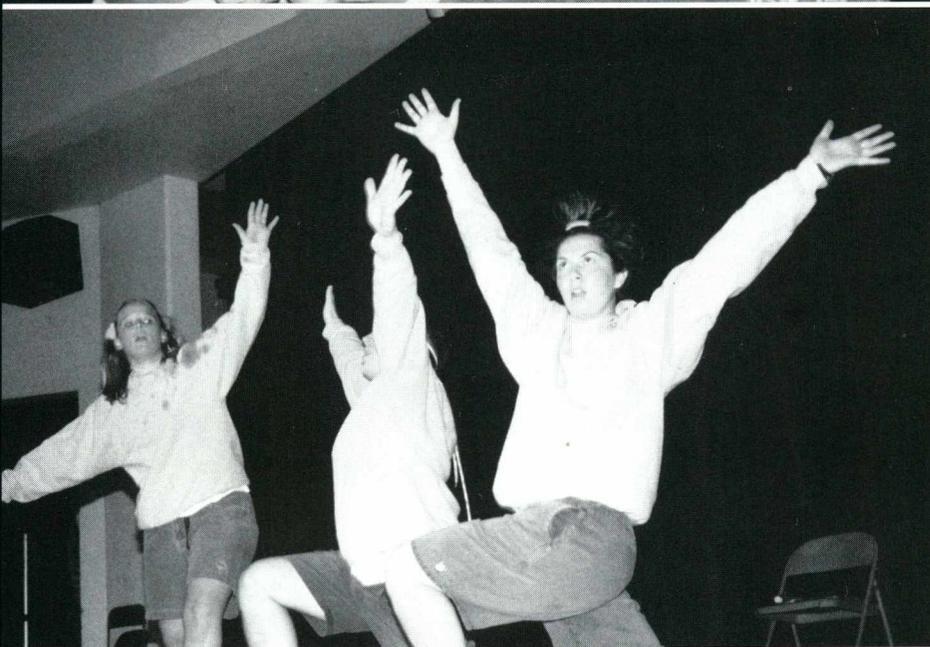
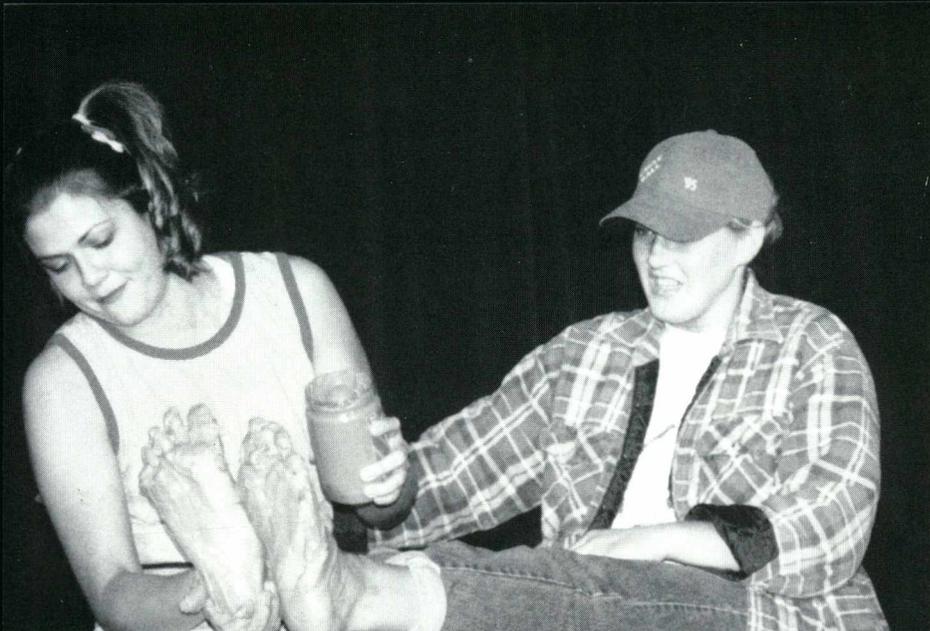
Above: Fresh out of the 70's, Jason Cruz, Jason Johnston, and Krystal Loeber get their groove. Welcome week gave all students the opportunity to interact with and get to know one another.

Flashback to the Eighties



freshere
lights, camera, action

Above: Who-who's that girl? It's Jane! Michael T. Spengler parades around stage as a monkey while Emily Shuyler poses as the beloved Jane during the Guitarzan skit at Fresheree. The acts' participants did an excellent job of making the comedy show a success.



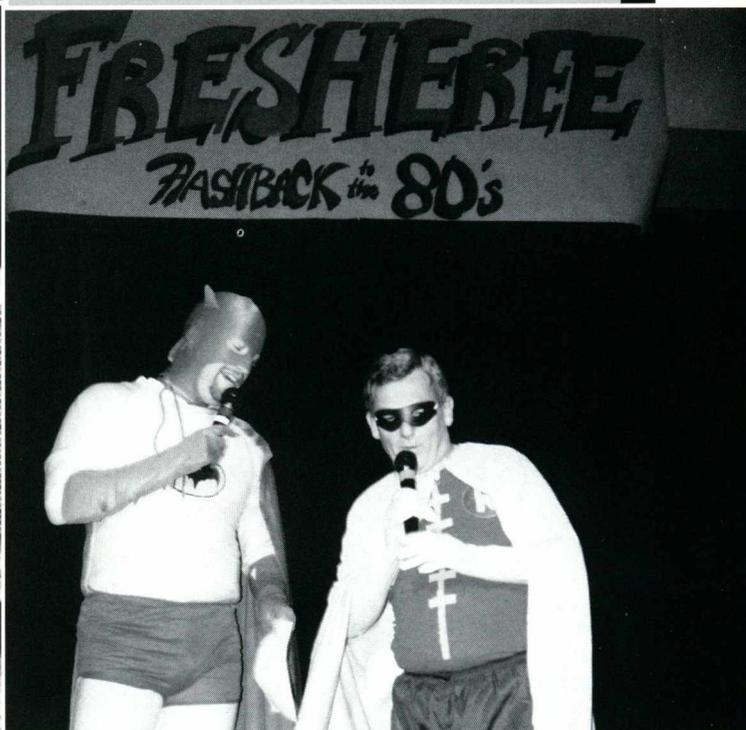
Fresheree 1998 provided a "Flashback to the 80's." This all-school variety and comedy show proved to be a memorable evening for NNC students, as well as a lucrative profit for the sophomore class.

Sophomore class president Bob Van Allen explained the council's reasoning for choosing the show's hosts, "We decided to step out and try something different than tradition. Gene Schandorff and Carey Cook had expressed to us their desire to be a part of events like this, and so we decided to give them a few guidelines to work within. [We] let them come up with the rest. I thought that they did an awesome job!" Gene and Carey assumed the roles of Batman and Robin, Darth Vader and Luke Skywalker, as well as Daisy and Luke, from *The Dukes of Hazard*. Gene professed that he enjoyed most the act with "Bert and Ernie, because it was by far the least humiliating."

The fourteen acts represented a wide variety of talent present on the campus of NNC. Erin O'Brien's Morrison wing portrayed a day in the life of a freshman, while Cheryl Bookman and Heidi Allgeier displayed their six years of ballet experience on stage in a very impressive and graceful manner. Quissell & Co. danced off their "Tainted Love" blues, as Josh Henson and Chris Britt showed off their amazing juggling feats in daredevil fashion.

Donning themselves in work boots, long flowery skirts, snow hats, and yellow braids, a group of NNC men paraded on stage as puppets and yodeled the classic *Sound of Music* melody, "The Lonely Goat Herder." On behalf of this hilarious display, sophomore Amanda Marble stated, "I found this act to be the most amusing because of how much pride the gentlemen took in making their act the best. And, I will never forget greasing the guys' chests down before they ran out on stage."

Without a doubt, Fresheree was a success and provided great entertainment for those who attended the event.



Top: Peanut butter for you, me, everyone! Jayci Montgomery spreads the amazing cure-all on the feet of Rachelle Gienger. Within minutes the girls had rubbed the sticky substance all over each others toes, armpits, and hair. **Left:** Spirited Spartans Stephanie Ortman, Toby Schmidt, and Missy Rasmussen pep up the crowds at Fresheree. **Center:** Playfully pausing to pamper fellow foe Jeremy Lindley, Matthew Freeby, Erik Quissell, Dave Coles, Dustin Zimmerman, Keegan Lenker, Matt Sanders, and Chris Field yield to their friend. "The Lonely Goat Herder" was one of many genuinely funny acts. **Right:** Dynamic Duo Carey Cook and Gene Schandorff introduce the upcoming acts at Fresheree before returning to Gotham to triumph over crime.



The corn maze has become a staple of the harvest season. On October 27, campus groups bundled up and put on comfortable walking shoes for a night of path-finding and corn-stalk plowing. An aerial view of the maze revealed the shape of a tractor, but inside the field, all people saw were winding paths and row after row of corn. Said Heather Staffenson, "It was a group effort to get out. My favorite part was waving to the people in the Snack Shack every time around because we were going in circles."

The aim of the maze was to get out, but people had fun taking their time trying alternate routes, all-the-while bonding with friends. Jodie Yoder said, "You bump into all your friends while you're there, and then give each other clues about where to go and where to turn." Michelle Wisecaver added, "It's fun to go in big groups; it's a great tradition." Adding to the fun were live scarecrows who jumped out and even chased people, catching them off-guard. Erica Givens summed up the evening as being "long and cold and scary."

For those who wanted to avoid the fall chill, Harvest Havoc on October 31 treated students with prizes and souvenirs. Activities

included a cake walk operated by ASNNC and Corlett's fishing booth. Students also toured the Junior class haunted house in the raquetball court. Hillary Anderson said, "You felt like a hamster going through [the boxed tunnels], and people on the outside grabbed your legs, and at the end they hucked candy at you."

Culver Hall hosted a photo booth where memories of the night could be immortalized in print for only one dollar. Sonya Wold said that this souvenir was about the best aspect of Harvest Havoc. Refreshments were also served, including richly doused carameled apples and sparkling cider served from a spooky, steamy "cauldron."

Between 60 and 100 students attended Havoc. The Cage's transformation into a "prison" was a favorite with many. Harvest-goers couldn't resist the opportunity to "put your friend in jail for a dollar." Crusader choir operated the holding site and was able to raise about 60 dollars for its British Isles trip. Students readily paid to have roommates and friends detained for a good cause.

The night of havoc brought out many on Halloween and truly kept people "locked away" from homework responsibilities.



Top: It's a-maze-ing how many students showed up for NNC night at the corn field! Activity goes participated in the school sponsored event. **Left:** Theresa Devereux, Sarah-Mae Faylor, Michelle Hussong, Lynette Brown, Shannon Dean, and Terra Smith dress up for Harvest Havoc. ASNNC worked together with other campus leaders to provide an entertaining atmosphere for students on Halloween. **Right:** What are you fishing for? Carrie Goldsmith participates in one of the many booths presented at the Harvest Havoc held in the gym.



Season's Specials



harvest havoc and corn maze

fall adventures

Above: Bravely brewing a beverage, ASNNC secretary Alesha Halvorson helps out at the Harvest Havoc. Held in the gym, this event gave students many opportunities to enjoy and engage in various activities as a celebration of fall.

service With A Smile

"Something that we take for granted, like getting on our knees, pulling weeds, and doing yardwork, made a 93 year old lady so happy when we helped her during RUSH. It was wonderful to be able to do that for her."

-Michelle Miller

"At CHAOS, I went to Turning Point and washed walls. The experience was eye-opening. It made me feel fortunate for what I have."

-Jennifer Pritt

"Even though it was early Saturday morning and the air was cold, I had a lot of fun. The highlights were being a human road block and encouraging the kids as they ran by."

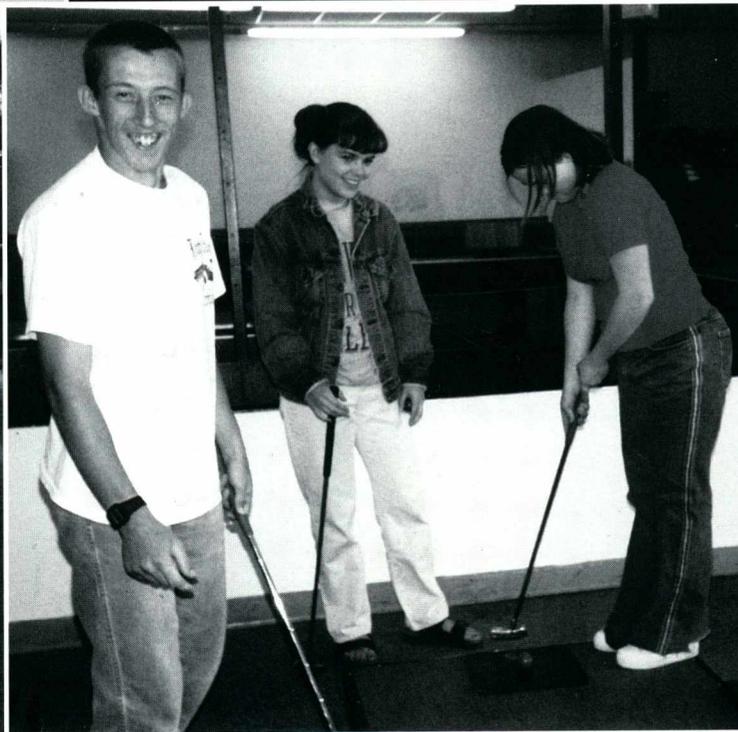
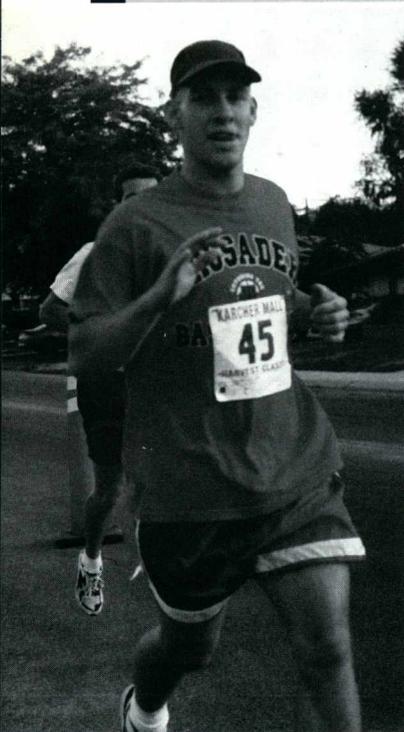
-Jeremy Crowfoot

"We went to Boise Rescue Mission for RUSH and it was neat because the men there appreciated us, and treated us like we were a part of their families."

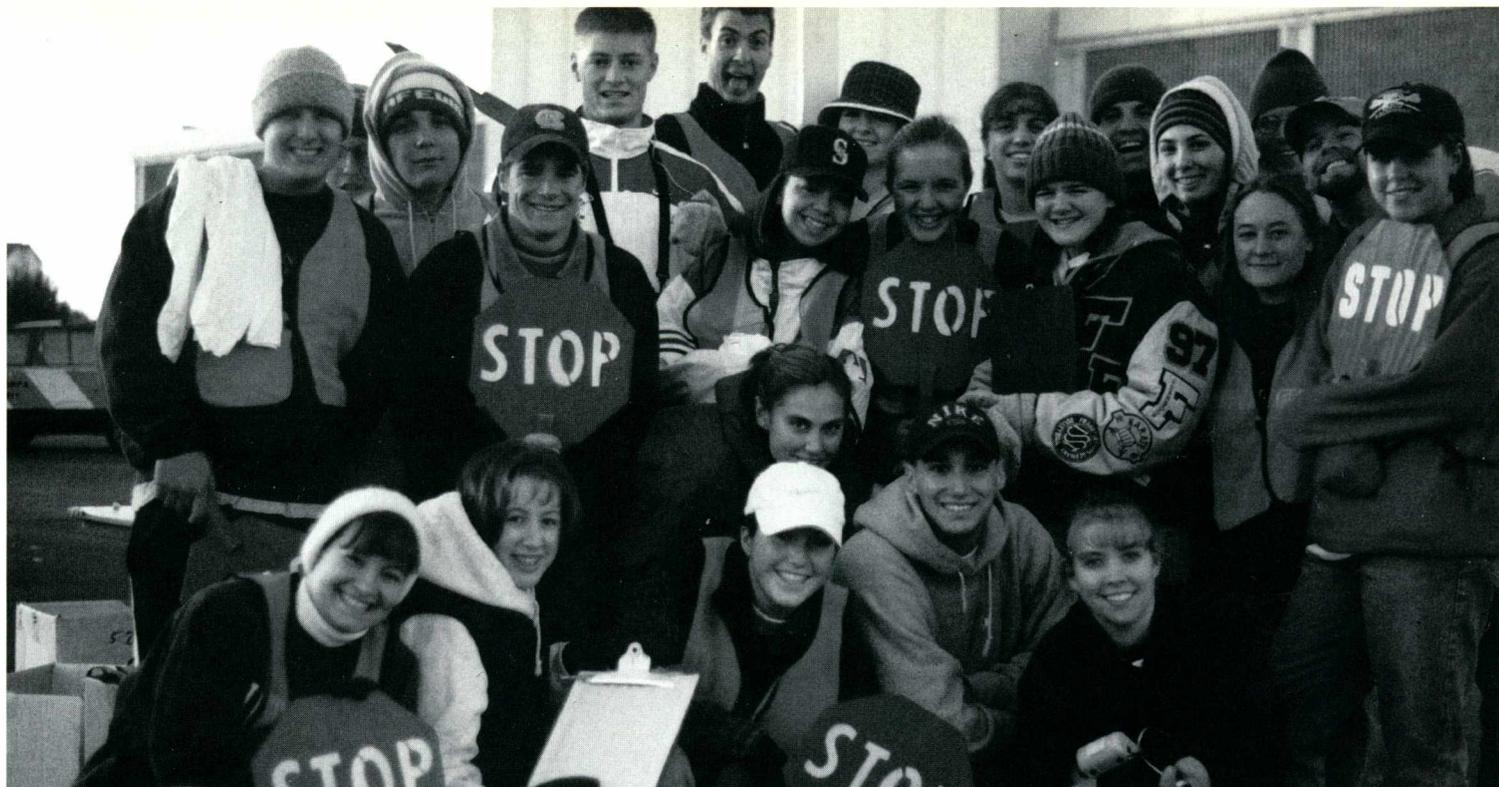
-Emily Stedje

community service

simple sacrifices



Top: Clean-up on aisle 4. Nicole Brown displays her Albertson's grocer experience as she arranges canned food at the Boise Rescue Mission during CHAOS. This community service event encouraged NNC students to reach out and provide assistance to those in need. **Left:** Our own Crusader, Jeff Norris, races through Nampa at the Harvest Fun Run. Norris, Sara Turner, and Laura Turner ran in the race while other NNC students stood by in support and helped out. **Center:** Putt-putting around at CHAOS, freshman Brooke Humphrey and PALS friends, Chris and Brittany, hope to get a hole-in-one. CHAOS offered an opportunity for involvement in the community. **Right:** Caught in a jungle of brush, Brad Tibbs stuffs debris into the trash bag. RUSH introduced students to the needs of the community.



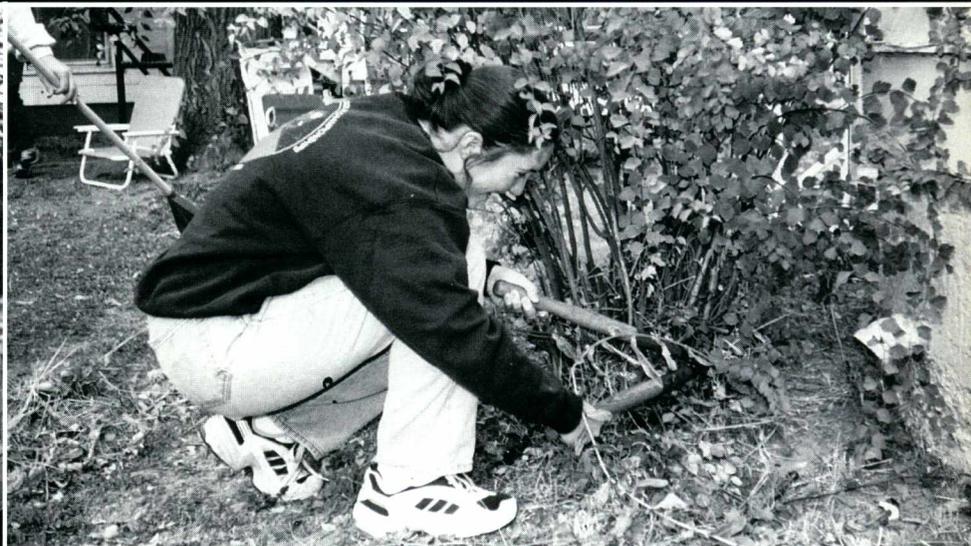
October began a month of servanthood for many NNC students. October 3 marked a CHAotic opportunity as campus ministry clubs gathered for the annual community service event, CHAOS. Ministry to Young Parents president Karen Pillers commented that “the actual attendance was about half of those who signed up. Initially, it was frustrating and disappointing, but God worked it out for the best since the room we were painting turned out to be quite small.” Other ministry clubs participated in a variety of activities; Hope House participants played softball with the children, Compassionate Ministries representatives cleaned up the Boise Rescue Mission and the Turning Point shelter, PALS spent the morning playing miniature golf, and the remaining service organizations enjoyed their time with various members of the Nampa and Boise communities.

The following week, the Nampa Parks and Recreation Department offered NNC individuals the chance to help host the

annual Harvest Classic Fun Run. Students met early Saturday morning at Nampa’s Karcher Mall and assisted race officials by timing runners, serving fresh water, and registering participants. A few NNC students got involved even more by running in the race.

October 24 presented the final fall session of service. RUSH (aRe yoU Serving Him?) advanced onto NNC’s campus in a manner different from previous years. Only a handful of 2-3 member teams were sent to individual homes, while the rest of the volunteers were assigned to organizations throughout Nampa and Boise.

Community Relations Coordinator Dustin Zimmerman captured NNC’s service to others in a few words: “I really like RUSH and Harvest Classic because we, students at a college dedicated to serving Christ, can go into a secular community and work in different ways to profess our faith, concern, and devotion to others. You don’t have to preach to demonstrate your commitment to Christ. Just serving Him without words can paint a pretty big picture.”



Top: Stopping in the name of community service, NNCers gather for a quick smile before heading off to work. Students sacrificed their Saturday mornings to help their community. **Left:** Proudly displaying their bags of goodies, Lori Best and Michelle Miller clean up a yard during RUSH. Students worked hard to assist and beautify nearby homes. **Right:** Purposefully peering for something to prune, Carly Powne participates in practical work during RUSH. Students were assigned to help out at individual homes and community shelters on this Saturday morning in October.



The second annual TWIRP (The Woman Is Required To Pay) was an astounding success on the campus of NNC. Bold ladies escorted their chosen men through a creatively planned weekend of adventure. It started with the unique way in which many girls asked potential dates to the event. Tara Poole and her roommate Angie Steele invited their prospective dates by leading them on a “goose chase” by leaving clever chalk messages all over campus. Kevin Durfee’s date Deana Pelletier used campus mail every day for a week to send him newspaper clippings that spelled out the question ransom-note style.

Friday night’s events included sub sandwiches in Clyde’s, a “bigger and better” scavenger hunt, ice-cream sundaes in Clyde’s, and cosmic bowling. Saturday evening continued in the fun with progressive dinners that began in Clyde’s. Couples paired together and traveled to the homes of many professors where they received a different entree at each stop. Many enjoyed spending time with the other people in their group as they traveled from home to home. Kelly Robinson’s only

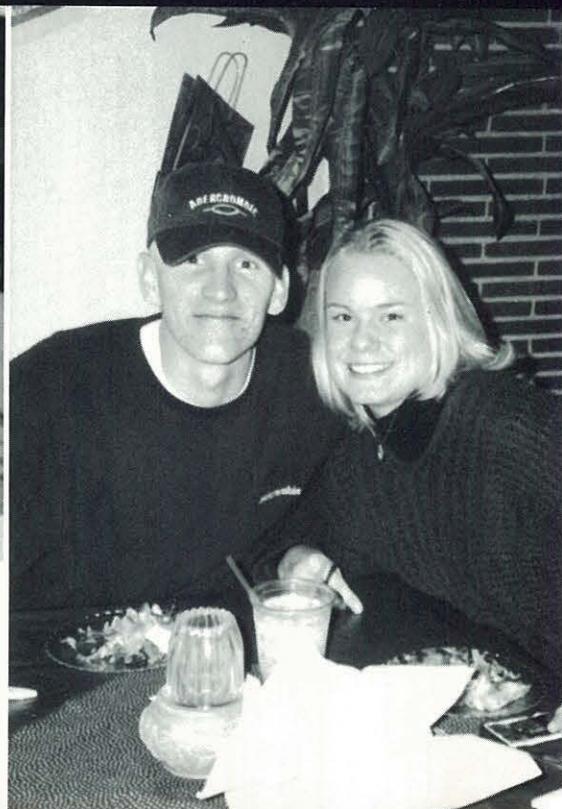
complaint was that they didn’t get to spend much time at the professors’ homes since the meals were timed. Following the dinners, couples gathered in Marriott for an active and exciting game of Bunko. Freshman Rachel Stearns said the game was a great alternative to the on-campus scavenger hunt that was planned had to be canceled because of the rain. The dice game kept people moving around the room, so there was a lot of interaction with new people. “You weren’t even always with your date,” said Stearns. The evening concluded with a 10:00 p.m. viewing of *Ever After* at Frontier Theater.

Favorite TWIRP activities were the scavenger hunt, cosmic bowling, and Bunko. Surprisingly, a blind dog and large washing machine were recovered as students roamed the streets of Nampa during the “bigger and better” scavenger hunt. The bright lights and loud variety of Christian, disco, and 80’s sounds made the cosmic bowling especially memorable. Jen Revels described the atmosphere as “disco-tech party fever.”

TWIRP provided a setting for people to interact and spend fun, quality time together. The event was a true success with NNC students.



Top: Gathered around a table in Clyde’s Don Belisle, Melyssa Garvin, Janelle Stark, and Jack Thompson, prove that you can’t eat just one Lay’s potato chip. **Left:** Rub-a-dub-dub, there’s six in a tub! Angela Paschal, Sara Hamilton, Mike Garmire, Sara McMillan, Jeremy Smith, and Wyatt Werner uncover their treasure from the Bigger and Better Scavenger Hunt. **Right:** Sweetly sharing an Italian soda and a night of marvelous memories, Bryan Shoemaker and Krista Charvet begin their progressive dinner with salad at the Brick House.



I Have a Date



t . w . i . r . p .
...isn't that great?

Above: Silently screaming for ice-cream, Heather Bearden and Karen Pillers enjoy Friday's TWIRP events. Students expressed positive feed-back regarding the interactive time spent during the TWIRP weekend.

d o w n
Memory Lane

"I think that the banquet turned out fabulous, and I think everyone had a great time."

-Dana Grierson

"In terms of the rehearsals, they were kind of long and boring with just the choirs [practicing], but at the last rehearsal, the band joined us and it was a neat feeling to have it all come together. The band/choir combination is something they don't do often. It was neat!"

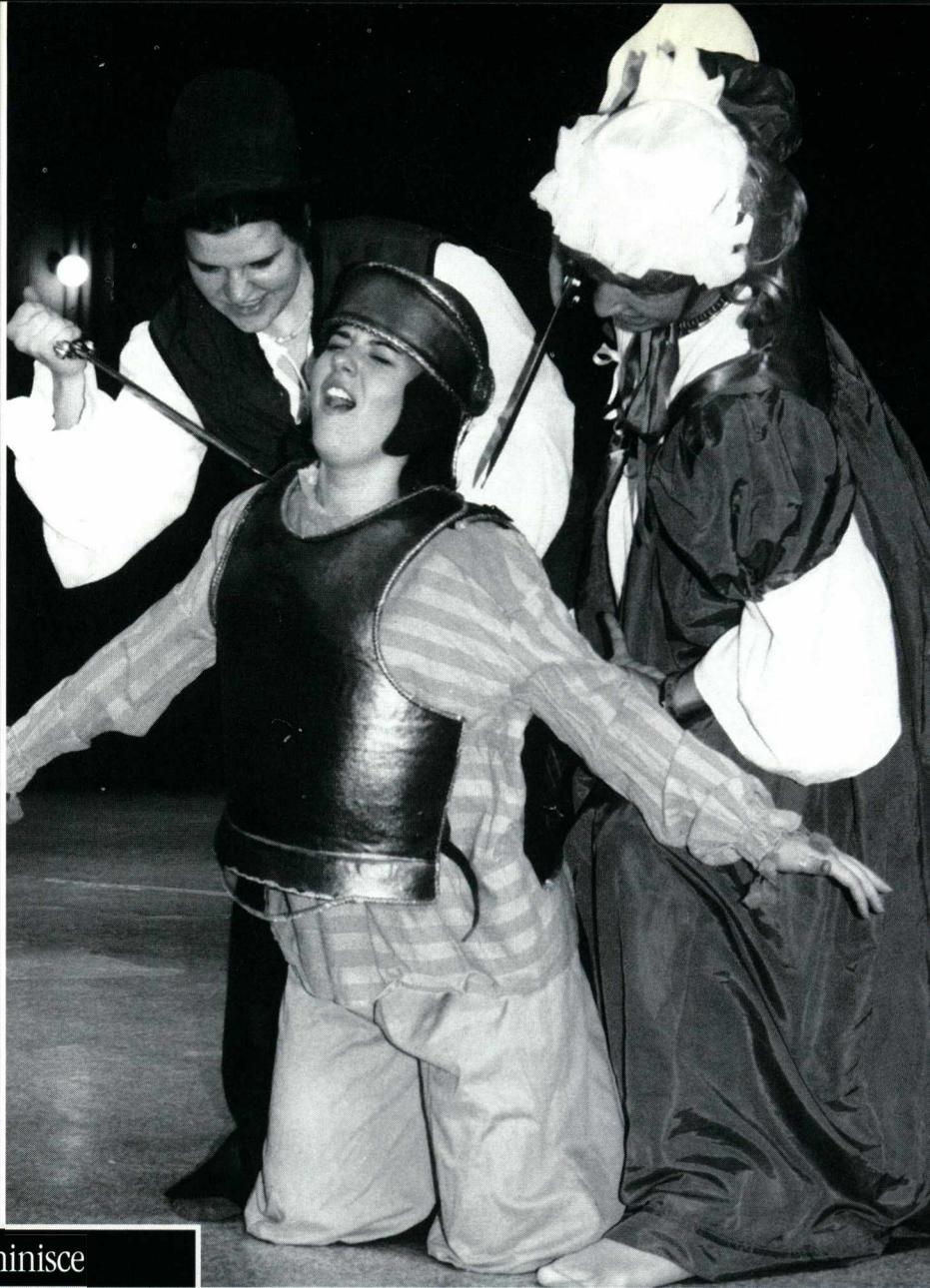
-Cherie Hibbitt

"Legacy of Leadership was Homecoming's theme, and we had one chapel service for alumni leaders with the Northwesterners singing, 'Go Light Your World.' It was neat because everyone held candles and formed a half circle around the auditorium. It was a wonderful presentation of those who served and who helped to build NNC's foundations."

-Cherie Ketchum

homecoming

time to reminisce



Top: Armana Reynolds, Marissa Edwards, and Gabe Sprenger perform a scene from "The Complete Works of Shakespeare" (abridged). The complete works of Shakespeare, in the words of Kristina Ritchie, was Monty Python - meets SNL production that captured the audience with its humor. **Left:** Homecoming honeys Jaime Boyd and Jeremy Crowfoot enjoy the Homecoming banquet. The Homecoming co-entertained the diners with favorite memories and anecdotes. **Right:** Don't mistake this fancy table setting for a four star restaurant...it's Homecoming with NNC's best! Jodi Peterson, Mark Walker, Luke Heath, Christa Klosterman, Heather Olson, Kevin Archer, Dustin Metcalf, and Olivia Craker enjoy a nice night together in Marriott.



Eighty-five years of student government were celebrated as the theme of Homecoming, and the rich traditions of Thanksgiving, alumni gatherings, and basketball provided a warm hearth at which the NNC body gathered. A few debuts were also a part of the scene, though. The unveiling of the new organ in at the Swayne Auditorium initiated a beautiful new tradition of rich musical accompaniment. The organ was dedicated on November 26 at the Homecoming concert with local musician David Tullis' performance of *Toccata*. The organ accompanied the Concert Band, Crusader Choir, Hallelujah Brass and the Northwesterners in a montage of praise and celebration hymns, including *Joyful, Joyful, Now Thank We All Our God*, and *Holy is He*. The musical

productions marked the second Homecoming concert in the new auditorium.

On November 25, a splendid Homecoming Banquet invited students to take "A Midnight Stroll," as they entered the banquet along a contrived park pathway, complete with benches and a fountain, before crossing the threshold into a glamorous dining hall. The unforgettable evening was planned by Dana Grierson and Kristy Heffner, who collaborated with committees to refine the Marriott dining hall for its evening debut. The veils draped from the ceiling and the dramatic, elegant shades of silver and white created a classy aura. "We all had a dream image of how it would be, and having it turn out exactly like we wanted was the highlight," said Heffner. Co-hosting the evening were alumnus Erik Quissell and the eight court recipients, who (cont)



Top: Hallelujah Brass performs a lively Homecoming odyssey of music. The NNC community came alive during Homecoming and participated in a variety of traditional events. **Left:** Lovely ladies all in a row. Kenzi Wilkes, Stacie Skeen, and Sueanne Mauler capture the moment with classic smiles. The annual Homecoming banquet invited students to dress in their best. **Right:** The Homecoming Court royalty illuminates the stage of the Brandt Center during the annual Coronation chapel. Court members represented NNC's commitment to excellence during the celebration of Homecoming.

Celebrating Legacies



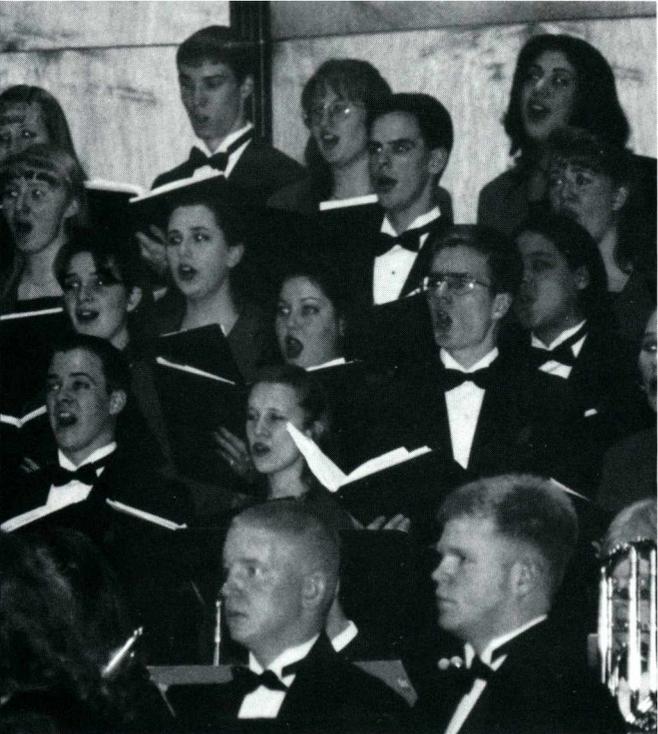
homecoming
creating new memories

Above: A sweet silhouette of sound in the midst of musical madness. Jenny McPherson delicately plays her violin during the annual Homecoming concert. The campus of NNC was consumed with activities for students, faculty, and alumni alike during Homecoming weekend.



called for audience participation in mini-basketball competitions and movie trivia games. The Homecoming Court included freshmen Sarah Hughes and Joe Chapman; sophomores Benjamin Hausch and Kim Benjamin; juniors Perla Aragon and Shawn Blenker; and seniors Norma Thompson, Missy Rasmussen, Lindsay Mittelstaedt, Ben Potter, Matt Freeby, and Dustin Zimmerman. "It was an honor to be voted in, and I appreciated it," said Blenker of being on Court. Blenker said what he most treasured from the evening was a keepsake from the night--a photo of him and his brother, Jaime Blenker. "For Christmas, Jaime blew up the photo of us dressed up with my court medallion and gave it to me. That was kind of special. It's hanging in my office," said Blenker.

The spirit of family, friends, and celebration at Homecoming is a tradition which NNC students continued to cherish through the many musical celebrations, games, and gatherings of the week. The final day of Homecoming, November 28, concluded with the *Messiah*, a performance of the fall drama *The Complete Works of Shakespeare*, and a men's and a women's basketball game. Freshman Greg Buettner remarked of all the week's events, "I am thankful that NNC has gone out of its way to provide such a great holiday for those who are staying on campus." Truly, the Homecoming celebrations were a holiday within a holiday, a Thanksgiving magnified by the presence of friends and family.



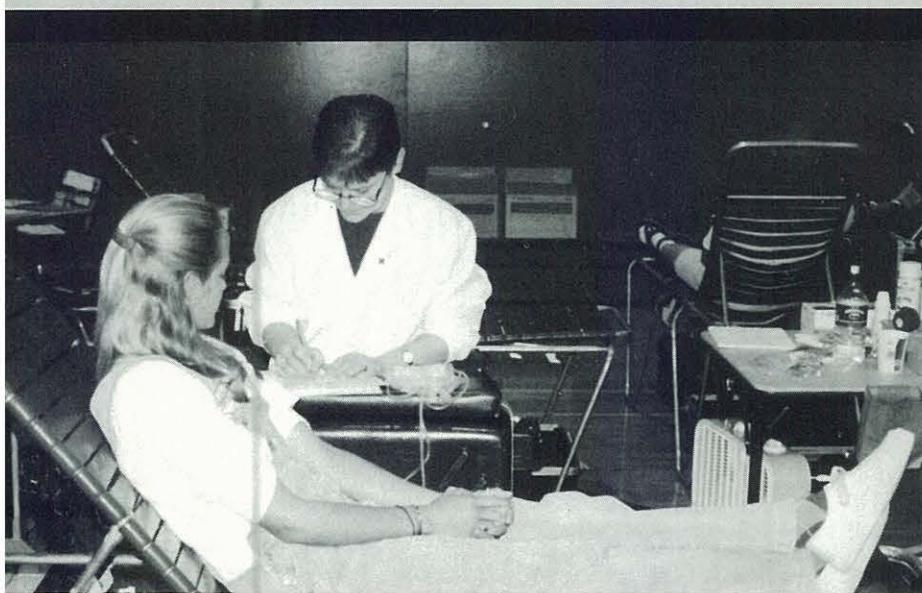
Top: Senior Homecoming King Dustin Zimmerman and Queen Norma Thompson receive their titles with grace and decorum. Homecoming representatives were chosen and voted for by fellow students. **Left:** The Glee Club and the Glee Club Concentration Choir concentrates all of its energy into the production of the Homecoming concert. Their physical expressions provided a sense of entertainment and worship for the audience. **Right:** Feast your eyes on these fellas! NNC's finest men smile proudly before accompanying their dates to the banquet. The evening proved to be fun and filled with much laughter and good times.



Christmas-time was a time for contribution on campus. ASNNC Community Relations Director Dustin Zimmerman coordinated the annual nursing home gift drive. This ministry to the elderly was pinpointed as a special concern by student council. Many nursing home residents are isolated and separated from their families, a heavy burden during the holidays. In response, Zimmerman compiled the gift wishes and needs of nearly 200 local seniors and manned the phones as community members called in their pledges. *The Crusader* and *The Idaho Press Tribune* advertised the list, representing elderly from eight local nursing homes. A special blessing was added to the project when Zimmerman received a call from the Bartlow family, the parents of NNC student Debbie Bartlow, who asked how many gifts had not yet been purchased as the drive was ending. The Bartlows offered to pay the difference, a sum of 500 dollars, so that no one would go without a gift. Members of the ASNNC council and each secretary from Student Development delivered the parcels during

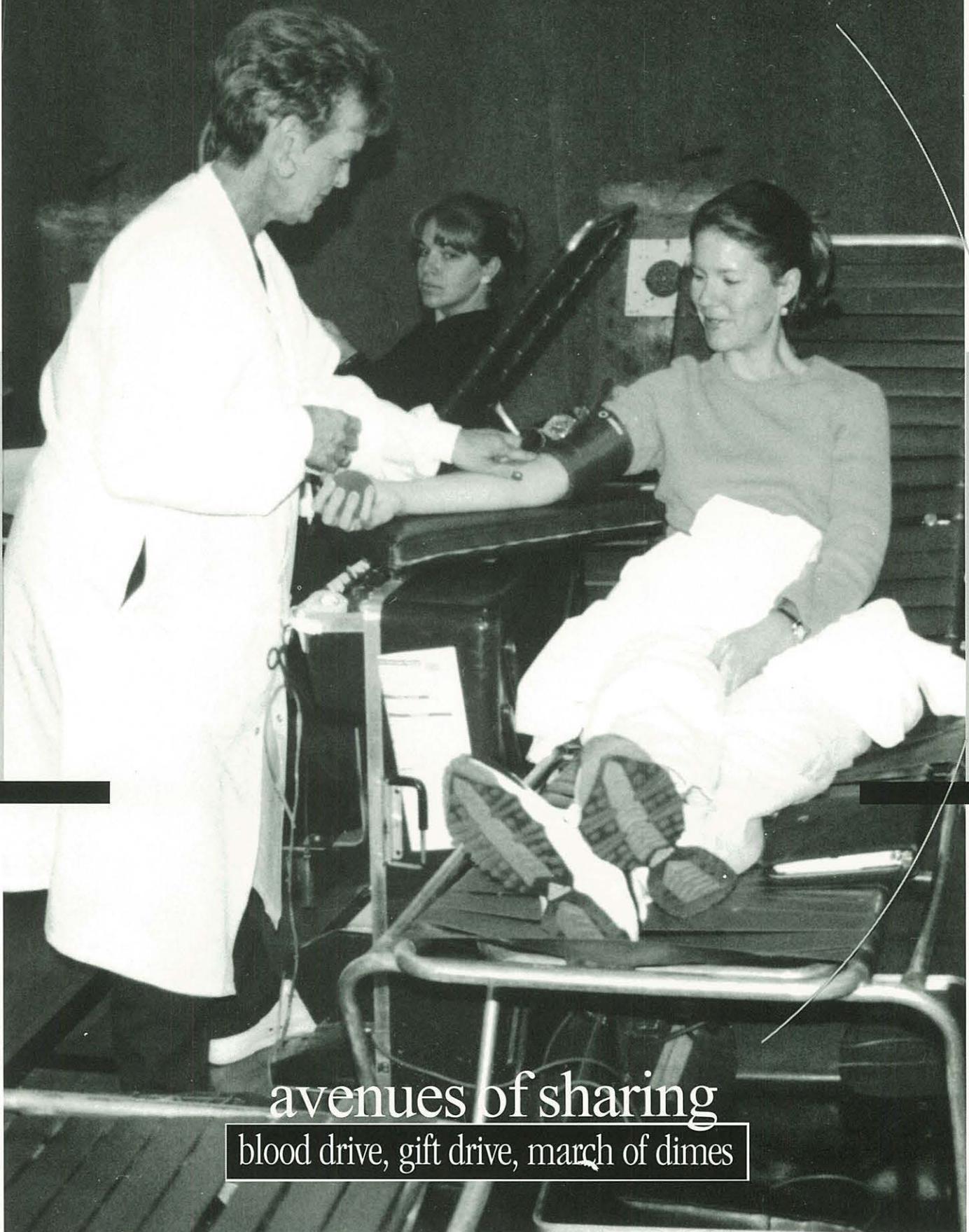
finals week. And, in the Christmas Wreath Wing Contest during the first week of December, students created and delivered holiday boughs to needy families, along with a message of love. The blood drive first term called students to make the contribution of life. Junior Tracy Rummer said she was glad to contribute to the Red Cross effort. She explained, "Dustin Zimmerman, Shawn Blenker and I were racing to see who could get blood out the fastest, so I got a little woozy, but it was cool to be able to help people out. It was something that was quick and easy. It just takes a little time out of your day to help somebody." Over eighty-five students participated in the blood drive, selflessly giving a piece of life from themselves.

In January, the Freshmen Class Council supported March of Dimes by charging for paper airplanes at a home basketball game. Each plane had the potential during half-time to hit the grand-prize target on the gym court floor--a round-trip ticket to anywhere in the continental U.S., donated by Uniglobe Travel. Planner Kara Lyons said, "Participation was great, and people were excited about the prizes."



Top: ASNNC members Shawn Blenker, Chris Field, Perla Aragon, Dustin Zimmerman and Alesha Halvorson peruse the nursing home gift list. The council took an active role in the mission to provide Christmas cheer to the elderly. Left: A Red Cross nurse gathers blood type information on Kacy Madsen. Right: Remembering their childhood days of paper airplane making, Maren Larsen creates a high flying machine. Scot Mortimer and Monica Olson assisted in the fundraiser for the March of Dimes. Students enjoyed the March of Dimes plane toss as much as the basketball game!

Giving Our Attention



avenues of sharing
blood drive, gift drive, march of dimes

Above: Gripping a ball in order to achieve maximum pressure and blood flow, professional donater Kenzi Wilkes gives her all to help others. The Annual Blood Drive presented students with an opportunity to serve members of their community.



The two-step beat from Brooks & Dunn's "Boot-Scootin Boogie" blared from the confines of the Science Lecture Hall. Students lingered around the building dressed in overalls, wranglers, bandanas, hats, and braids. Their display of western wear was central to the Wild, Wild West theme of the evening.

The annual Mr. NNC contest was off to a great start as reigning Mr. NNC, Dave Coles, was accompanied by Nick Allen to host the event. Organized by the Freshman class, this March of Dimes fundraiser offered a memorable night of fun!

The participants included freshmen Charlie Ecker and Scot Mortimer, sophomores John Leavell and Keegan Lenker, juniors Shawn Blenker and Ryan Comingdeer, and seniors Travis Toews and Matt Freeby. Throughout the pageant, competitors involved themselves in four different events before the judges as a means toward the reign and crown.

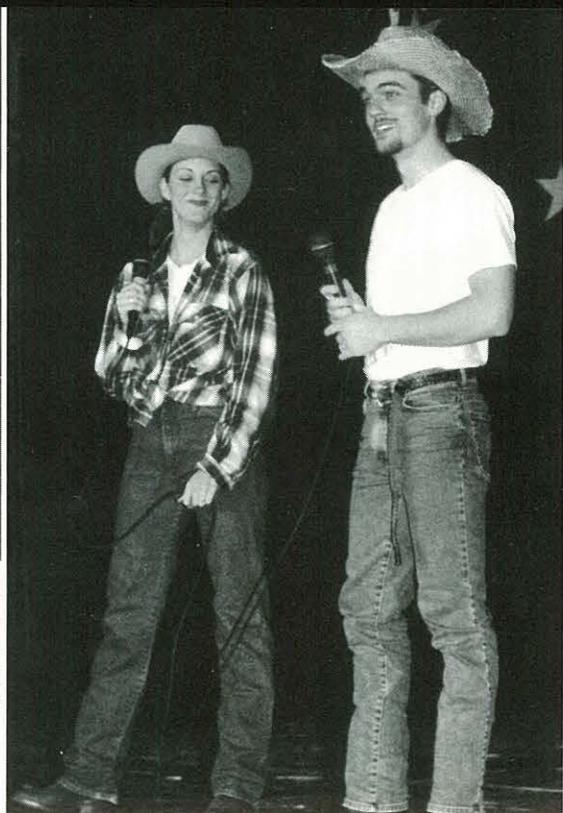
In the midst of the contest, candidates interacted in a variety of

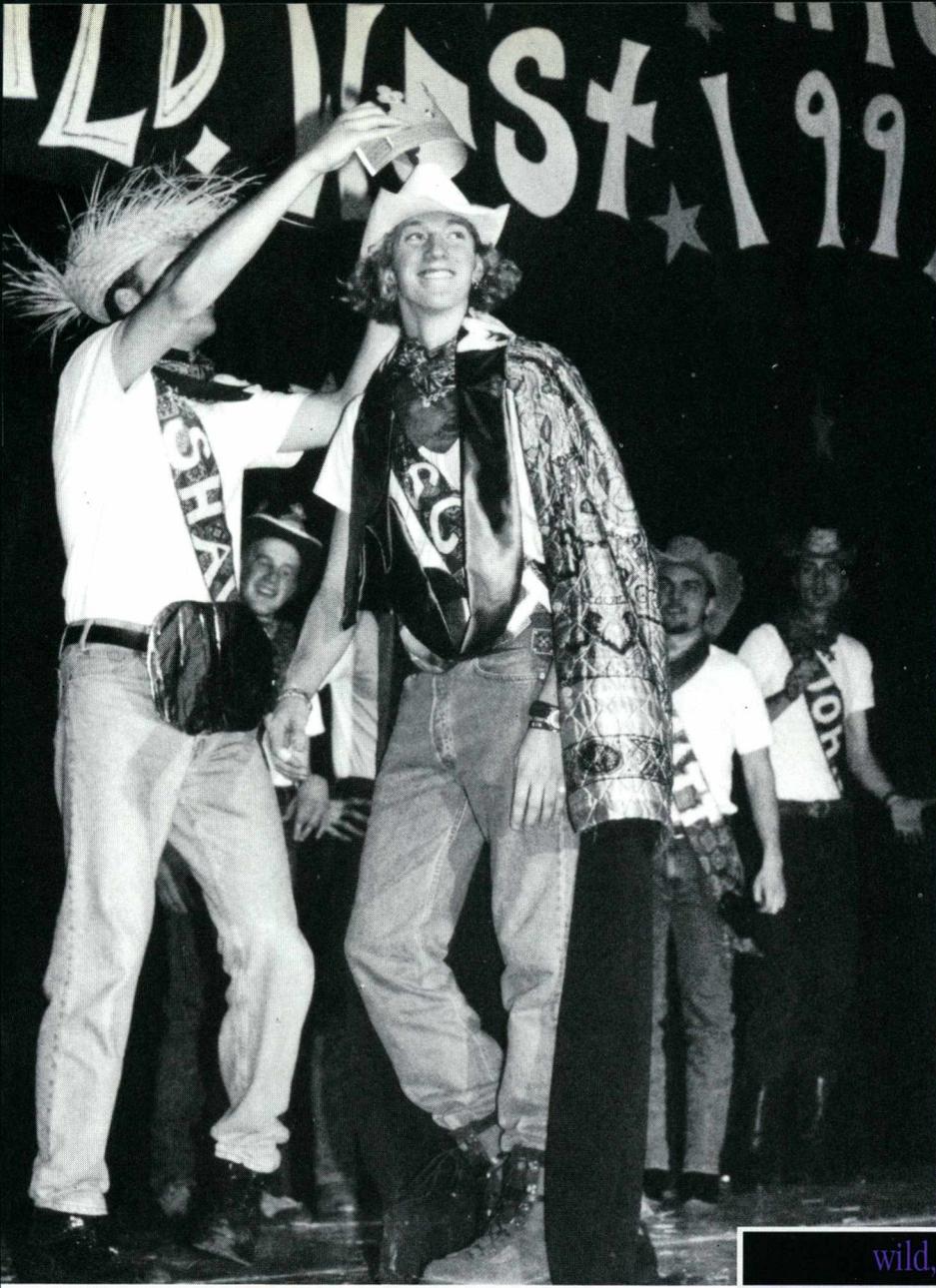
activities. Charlie boogied the night away with all the right seventies moves, while Scot adorned himself in a collage of sports gear and sang "Jesus Loves Me" Donald Duck style. John joined the ranks and "whipped" up the dance scene before the audience and Keegan displayed his lack of a hidden talent in regard to cutting his hair. Fortunately for Lenker, good friend Jeremy Lindley shaved his head clean as a whistle. Shawn wowed the crowd with his incredible egg busting feat while he trained for the "A Team," and Ryan pranced around the stage during his favorite act dressed as the tooth-fairy in a pink outfit and red wand. Finally, Travis astonished the audience by exposing his true self merely covered by a thin coat of shaving cream, and Matt brought back the infamous monkey, "Peepers," before retiring him for good.

At the end of the evening, NNC men graced the stage once more before 1999's Mr. NNC was crowned. And, the title went to the one and only...Scot Mortimer!



Top: All lined up and rearin' to go! Mr. NNC participants await the decision of the judges. The contest provided a great night of fun and laughter for students. Left: It's the Strongman Competition! Who will triumph? Junior contestants Ryan Comingdeer and Shawn Blenker strut their stuff before a cheering crowd. Mr. NNC raised money for the March of Dimes and provided entertainment for all. Right: "From this moment on, we will never wear wranglers again," exclaim Kim Benjamin and Matt Freeby during the talent competition at Mr. NNC! Creativity was an added bonus throughout the contest.





should've Been A Cowboy

"I enjoyed Keegan Lenker's song about Morrison girls the best because I'm dating one!"

-Mason Lagstrom

"I didn't think they were as funny as they were in the past years. They haven't been as inventive or entertaining since my sophomore year, except for Dave Coles as the granny."

-Hattie James

"Travis Toews' revealing act was unforgettable. Let's just say, I'm too young and I can't blink fast enough."

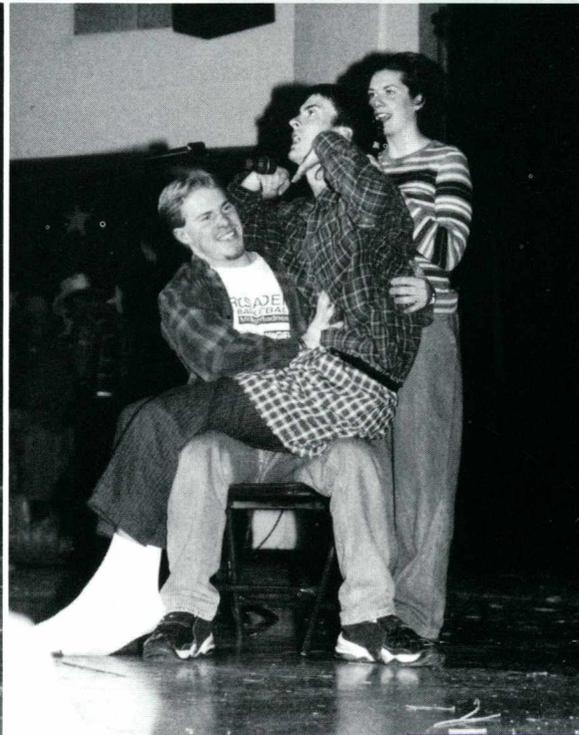
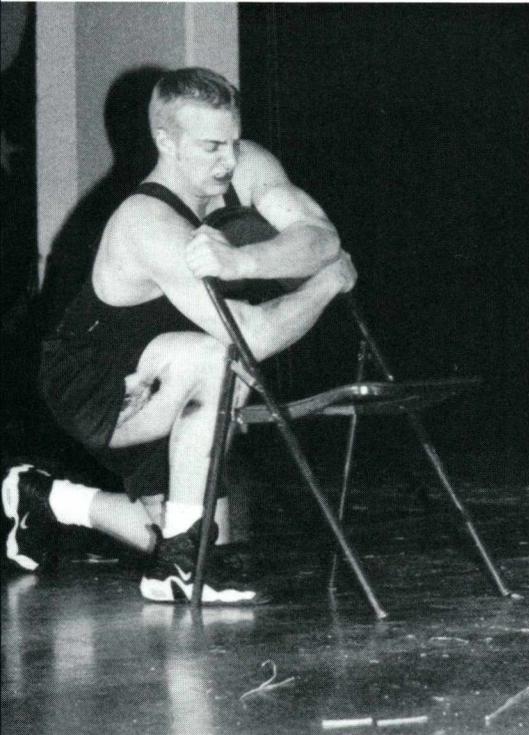
-Robin Day

"I really liked Scot's harmonica act and the 'Year 2000 Predictions' by Shawn Blenker because they were very original and clean!"

-Jenelle Smith

mr. nnc

wild, wild west



Top: There he is...Mr. NNC! Freshman Scot Mortimer gallantly strolls across stage in his first walk as the 1999 Mr. NNC! Mortimer participated in a variety of competitions against NNC's finest in a battle toward the title and crown. Left: "Me man. I stronger than chair" exclaimed Travis Toews! Unfortunately, to his dismay, the chair won in this wrestling match. The Mr. NNC contest was a mock feat of strength, looks, talent, and brains. Center: Stupid human tricks? Perhaps. Sophomore John Leavell serenades the audience as a bagpipe via his harmonica and just a little help from his friends. Contestants stopped at nothing to win the vote of the judges. Right: A hidden talent gone wrong. Keegan Lenker attempted to style his hair, but ended up with a mess! Lenker was chosen as runner-up to the Mr. NNC crown.

When *Rumors* Fly



jr. class play
rave reviews

Above: Over analyzing the occurrences within the Brock home, Kevin Durfee and Brad Hays engage in an intriguing conversation. *Rumors* puzzled audience members with its winding, mind-boggling plot.



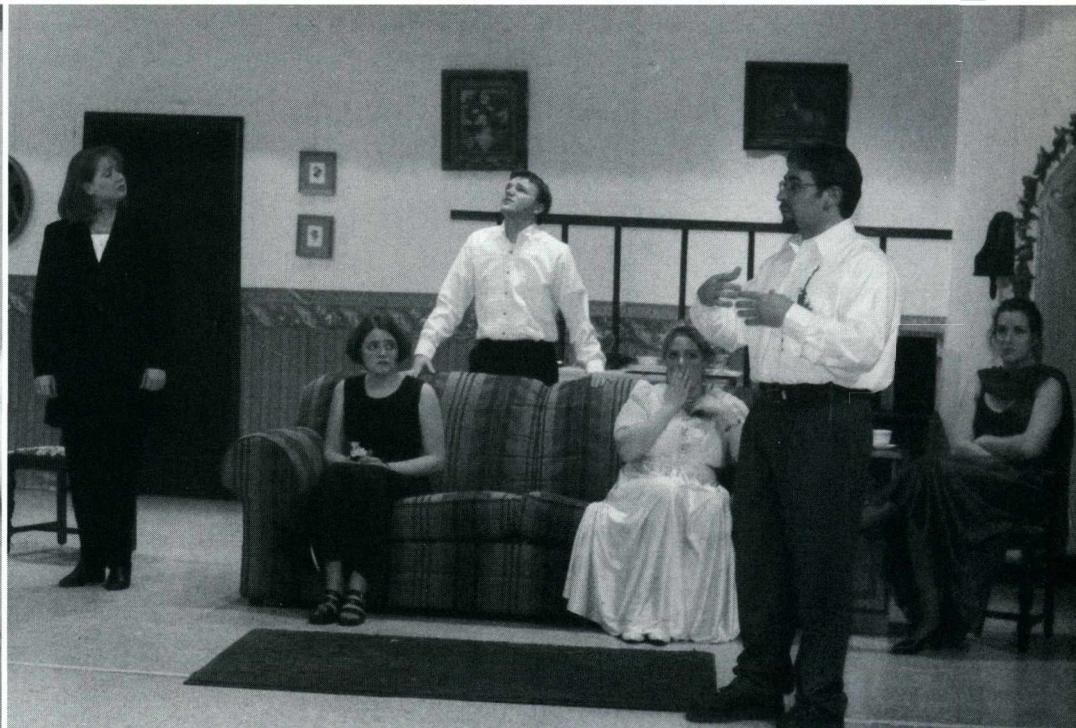
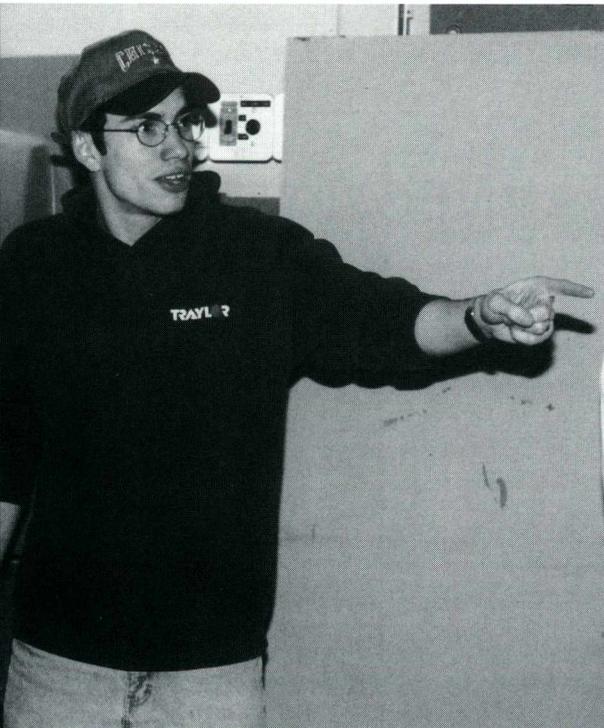
Don't know "who done it?" Then the next best solution is to hide it. At least that was the consensus in the junior class play *Rumors*. This modern screenplay penned by Neil Simon was a witty, whimsical comedy about four couples who muster all their creativity into covering up a mysterious gun shot. Director Joey Boerner described its plot as "slapstick humor." Boerner said, "It's kind of like an episode of *Frazier* where everybody thinks something else is going on."

The premise of the play revolved around the four couples who arrived at the house of Charles and Myra Brock and discovered the host shot and the hostess nowhere to be found. The cast of ten represented a montage of characters who all tried to deceive each other and the police as the plot unfolded. "It turns into a big scandal," said Jose Melendez, who played the melodramatic Lenny Ganz.

Melendez had the audience in stitches with his antics and high-intensity comedics. Becca Keller, who played Melendez's character's wife, received praise for her dramatic facial casts. Junior Abe Walton remarked, "She did an excellent job of getting into her character. Even when it wasn't her line, she was into the expressions as the play went on."

Boerner, whose dream it had been to direct the junior class play, was highly praised for his hard work. Senior Erin Harri remarked, "I have great things to say about Joey. He gave us good ideas and hints."

Those tips truly paid off as *Rumors* enthralled and thoroughly entertained its audiences. *Rumors* was truly a hit with its adept acting, convincing sarcasm, and smooth comedic interaction between characters. The performances on February 11, 12, and 13 made for an unforgettable Valentine's Weekend production.



Top: Intensifying the plot and cover-up, Jose Melendez creates an exaggeration of the story, hoping to trick the police and entertain the audience. Fellow cast members Erin Harri and Brad Hays await his finish. **Left:** In charge! *Rumors* director Joey Boerner commands as he prepares to make adjustments on the set. The junior class play demonstrated his professional guidance and evidenced the commitment of the entire cast. **Right:** Desperately trying to avoid confrontation with officer Deniece Miller, Kevin Durfee, Jennifer Hill, Justin Koeppen, Jeanine Riggs, and Becca Keller nervously agree with the elaborate cover-up story. The junior class play provided great entertainment for all!



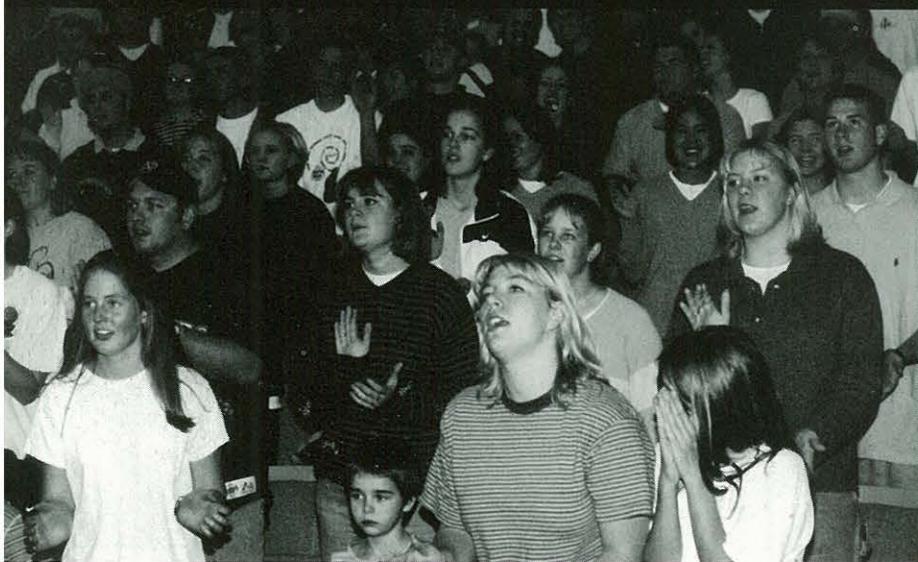
Traditions were present on the campus of NNC every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning in the form of chapel. Students gathered in the John Orah Brandt Center auditorium promptly at 10:15 and prepared themselves to participate in one of the twenty-four required chapels per term.

Chapel services involved messages by Chaplain Gene Schandorff, President Richard Hagood, Spiritual Emphasis Week speaker Scott Daniels and Marvin Daniels, Bresee Institute's Jeff Carr, NNC Professors, as well as other community members and students. Student Development made an effort to enrich chapel times through challenging issues related to faith, culture, and the world outside of NNC.

Students had the opportunity to be involved in the chapel times through an array of activities such as reading scripture, prayer, the sharing of musical and drama talents, as well as in other methods. Sophomore student Preston Madden expressed his heart based on his

chapel participation. He said, "I had an awesome time as a part of a Worship Team, and felt like I was part of a family working together for the Lord. Though I had a great time, I also realized the importance of balance between leading my peers and worshiping God. I just remind myself of one thing -- If I focus on Jesus, everything else will fall into place. And, it has."

Another participatory event for students was held Wednesday evenings in the Science Lecture Hall. Time Out invited students for a renewing time of worship, fellowship, and fun among friends. Creatively managed and directed by Campus Ministries Coordinator Perla Aragon, Time Out provided encouragement and support for students throughout the week. Susanne Stark shared her view about this student-led time of worship: "I especially enjoy Time Out because by the time Wednesday rolls around I need a pick-me-up or an encouragement of some kind. I love being able to worship the way I want to worship. There are no rules; all I have to do is open my heart to God."



Top: Completely engrossed in worship, multi-talented Dave Coles, Matt Sanders, and Ben Potter provide a serene musical setting in chapel. Students were given many opportunities to participate in chapel services held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Left: Time Out unites the student body in one element of worship and love. Wednesday proved to be an excellent night for Time Out as students enjoyed the renewing refreshment they gained to carry them throughout the remainder of the week. Right: Senior Erin Harri monitors chapel attendance with a servant's heart and a smile.

Reflection and Refreshment



time out & chapel
in God's presence

Above: Poised behind the podium, President Hagood delivers a practical message, hoping to strike a chord of inspiration among the students. Chapel services offered a variety of perspectives for the students to ponder.

n i g h t In Little Italy

"I enjoyed the more dramatic mystery than has been done in the past years."

-Kelly Robinson

"My friends and I all went and had a bonfire afterwards. It was a fun chance to dress up and eat by candlelight."

-Dawn Stuvland

"I thought that the best characters were Scarfazzi, Mama Rosa, and Tara Misu. It was a three-way tie."

-Jesse Ledbetter

"I enjoyed standing in line and having time to talk to everyone."

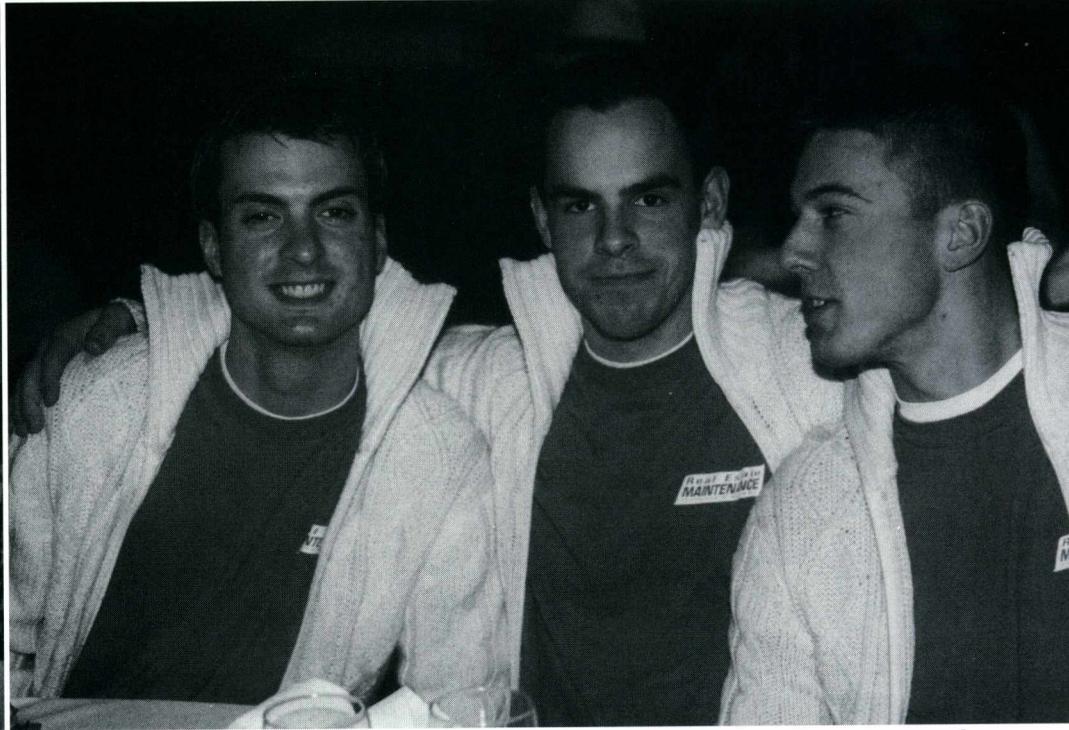
-Brent Gould

"They had a handful of people who were very good at acting out their parts with a lot of energy."

-Laura Rogers

valentine's banquet

marvelous mayhem



Top: In the midst of a blaming session, Missy Rasmussen and Josiah Nelson attempt to intimidate each other in the hope that they will confess to the murder in Little Italy. Banquet attendants engaged suspense and thrill in order to solve the murder mystery. **Left:** Pausing for a picture, perfect pair Doy Harris and Kelli Westmark pleasantly pose for a memorable moment. The banquet provided many opportunities for attendees to create lasting memories. **Right:** Blue jewels John Leavell, Telfer Griffith and Jeremy Lindley shine during the Valentine's Banquet. Students enjoyed the Italian theme and entertainment of the evening.



Mama-mia! Someone has murdered Pepe Scarfazzi! Who could be guilty? Certainly not his “very, very, very, very good-looking identical twin brother Rocco?” It was truly a night of *Mayhem in Little Italy*, and Valentine’s Day Banquet guests were called to witness it all—the scandal, the mystery. . .the pasta. Marco Roni, that is. Even Father Al Fredo and Angel Roni made appearances at the mock murder mystery that had every Sherlock in the room blinking twice through his magnifying lenses.

The scrupulous cast of suspects played out a convincing dialogue, Agatha Christie style, as they all fought to defend their innocence and raise eyebrows at the questionable actions of the others. Banquet goers became part of the action, as each table was presented with a book of clues that helped to piece the mystery together, but many were stumped to the end. “At the end, we had it narrowed down to two people, but we were totally wrong,” said senior Laura Rodgers. Freshman Tara VanLeerdam agreed that it

was really hard to guess the guilty party. “Our table didn’t have a clue,” she said. But that was no matter. The Valentine’s Day Banquet provided fun entertainment for everyone who came.

The cast inspired laughter with their flamboyance and high-energy dialogues. “I thought that Dustin Zimmerman and April Supina were really enthusiastic,” said Carrie Gilbert. “All the characters worked off each other very well.” The entertaining cast also included Norma Thompson, Missy Rasmussen, Josiah Nelson, Chris Cowan, Chandell Lighthill, and Steve Roth, who appeared for moral support in the mayhem of it all, as Father Al Fredo. The convincing Italian, Russian, and French accents of the players added flavor to the performance and helped bring the mystery to life.

All in all, students had a great experience at the Valentine Day Banquet. Exchange student Daniyar Kamysbayev from Kasakstan shared his experiences. “Every one prepared for it a lot and I didn’t know what to expect, but I thought it was cool how they did the play,” said Kamysbayev. He added, “It was my first Valentine’s Day date in the US.” The banquet was a great success, as Little Italy came, for an evening, to NNC.



Top: Tella me it isn’t true-a! Chris Cowan, April Supina, Norma Thompson, Dustin Zimmerman, and Steve Roth actively discuss their suspicions at “Mayhem in Little Italy.” The dinner theatre was presented as evening entertainment during the Valentine’s Banquet. **Left:** Capturing a cozy moment, Jesse Ledbetter and Amy Earlywine brilliantly smile before the camera. The banquet offered students a formal evening of good food and fun. **Right:** Celebrating the good times, Ryan Notbohm, Rebecca Gilbert, Amanda Kennedy, and Gabe Sprenger delight in the fun during the Mayhem in Little Italy.

Coffee Break



what's your flavor?
ides in clydes and top ten cafe

Above: Cheerful about coffee, Janelle Stark has a fantastic time at Ides in Clydes. Stark, along with many other students, enjoyed time to herself apart from her studies.



Students eagerly welcomed the mid-week coffee adventures on campus. Ides in Clydes was held every 15th of the month to give students a break from the everyday schedule of classes. Coordinator and Director Stephanie Ortman wanted to create a carefree and comfortable environment for students to listen to music, enjoy coffee and other drinks, as well as to expand their horizons with crayons in a candle-lit atmosphere.

Apart from the monthly activity in Clyde's, Brick House Directors Christa Klosterman, Lindsay Mittelstaedt, and Heather Olson greeted students every Thursday at Top Ten Café held in the basement of the Brick House. The Café was added several years ago when the original Top Ten List writers for the Crusader served as the Brick House directors and was brought back this year due to numerous requests across campus. In conjunction with the coffee, NNCers

cooperatively and competitively created Top Ten lists to be included in the weekly issue of the *Crusader*.

During Top Ten Café, students were invited to participate in themes ranging from pajama night to a karaoke fest. Activities involved Rook tournaments and live music, as well as many other spontaneous events. Lindsay Mittelstaedt expressed her insight about the evening's activities: "I think students most enjoy *The Brick*—it's my mother's secret recipe for iced coffee, and it's been our number one selling drink compared to all the others," she exclaimed.

It was encouraging to students to know that there were active opportunities for them to be involved in when they needed a break from school and their studies. Ides in Clydes and Top Ten Cafe provided lasting and memorable moments for students in many ways.



Top: Engaging in an energized conversation, Kristin Crawford and Shawn Blenker converse during Top Ten Cafe. Students enjoyed a break in their week and spent the time in fun at the Brick House on Thursday nights. **Left:** Ready and willing to take your order, Robin Day and Monica Olson are prepared for duty. Top Ten Cafe was student led and offered a great time of fellowship between students. **Right:** Hiding their card hands, Brek Ericson, Doyle Harris, and Missy Rasmussen devise fool-proof strategies to win the game. In the midst of cheap drinks and fun, students enjoyed time spent together and away from their books.

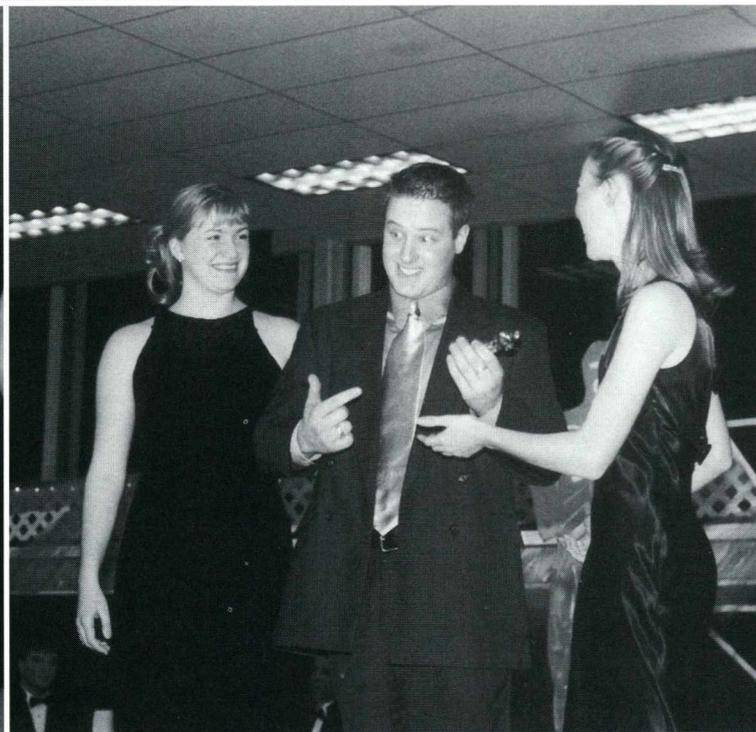
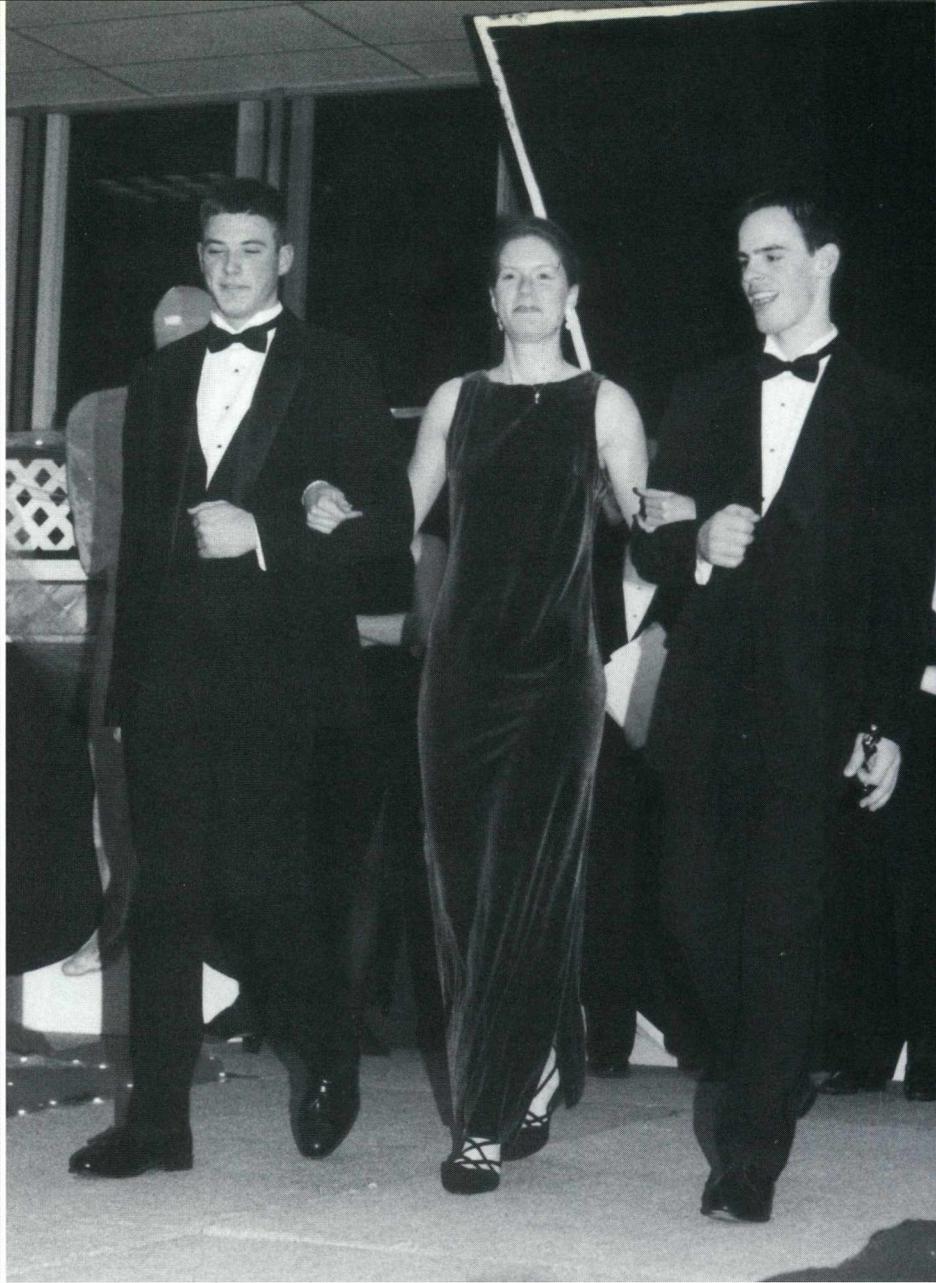
It was a night at the Oscars as NNC stars came out to raise funds for the Kurt Finkbeiner Foundation at this year's Luv Auction. Twenty-two students nominated by Senate as most likely to go on a fun-filled date for charity were bid on in Marriott on February 25. Over 900 dollars were raised for the flood victims in China, making the evening a fun success. A Saturday night group date at Idaho Ice World, followed by dessert in Clyde's was enjoyed by auctionees and their bidders. "It was going for a good cause, and it was a lot of fun," said freshman auctionee Steve Roth.

Lots of planning was put into the Oscar-style evening. Heidi Allgeier and Janelle Stauffer coordinated the event in collaboration with ASNNC. The girls worked steadfast, not only refining technical elements, but also preparing the auctionees. "Heidi and Janelle did their best to make us feel comfortable," said sophomore Bekah Kunz. "They were very appreciative of what we were doing, because it was for charity."

MCs of the event were energetic brother and sister duo, Kori and Toby Schmidt. The two helped make the production a hit as they helped start the bidding and kept things going throughout the show. They also helped ease the nerves of the auctionees, who were in the vulnerable position of being bid on. "It was really embarrassing," admitted Kami Watson. Still, all the participants knew they were in it for a good cause, and the humor shared by the MCs, and the participants themselves, helped to ease the atmosphere and make for a fun night.

R.J. Strickland captured the light-heartedness of the evening with his quip, "Who's bidding for me?" as he searched the floor for his buyer. Scott Seguin, appearing as "Alphalfa," and Michelle Wisecaver, who arrived onstage on top of a platform carried by two male attendants, showed their creativity and willingness to make the evening fun. Drawing the highest bid was Geoff Parker, whose price soared to \$63.50.

Through it all, the Luv Auction participants displayed soul, courage, and heart in an Oscar-callibar performance.



Top: There she is...Miss Kenzi Wilkes! Elegantly escorted by sophomores Jeremy Lindley and Telfer Griffin Wilkes smiles confidently before the bids begin. NNC contributed a generous portion of money to the Finkbeiner Foundation. **Left:** Sweet success. Wyatt Werner struts his stuff on stage at the Luv Auction. Perhaps his GQ attire was what brought in the bids for Werner! **Center:** His smile is worth a million bucks! Well almost...Geoff Parker, surrounded by escorts Sarah Hughes and Kadee Wirick, brought in the high bid of \$63.50 at the Luv Auction. **Right:** Ahhh...How sweet! R.J. Strickland cuddles with red roses as he attempts to raise the highest bid. Students offered themselves up for a date in order to give to flood relief in China.

Who's Bidding for me?



luv auction
once, twice, sold

Above: Beautiful doll Jamie Swanson blushes as she accepts her oscar. The Luv Auction raised money for flood relief in China.

o n t h e Road Again

"The band tour was a lot of fun. One reason was because we performed at my home church, and there were a ton of people there supporting our group."

-Mary Peckham

"The singing itself was pretty fun just because we were able to sing the songs to people who had never heard it before, and getting compliments afterwards made the trip worthwhile. I also thoroughly enjoyed watching the superbowl on a 2 x 4 inch television with reception so fuzzy I could pet it."

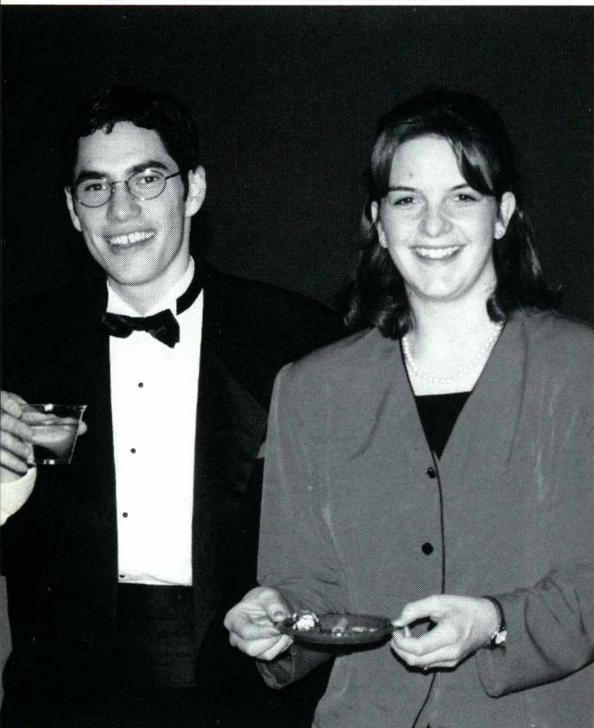
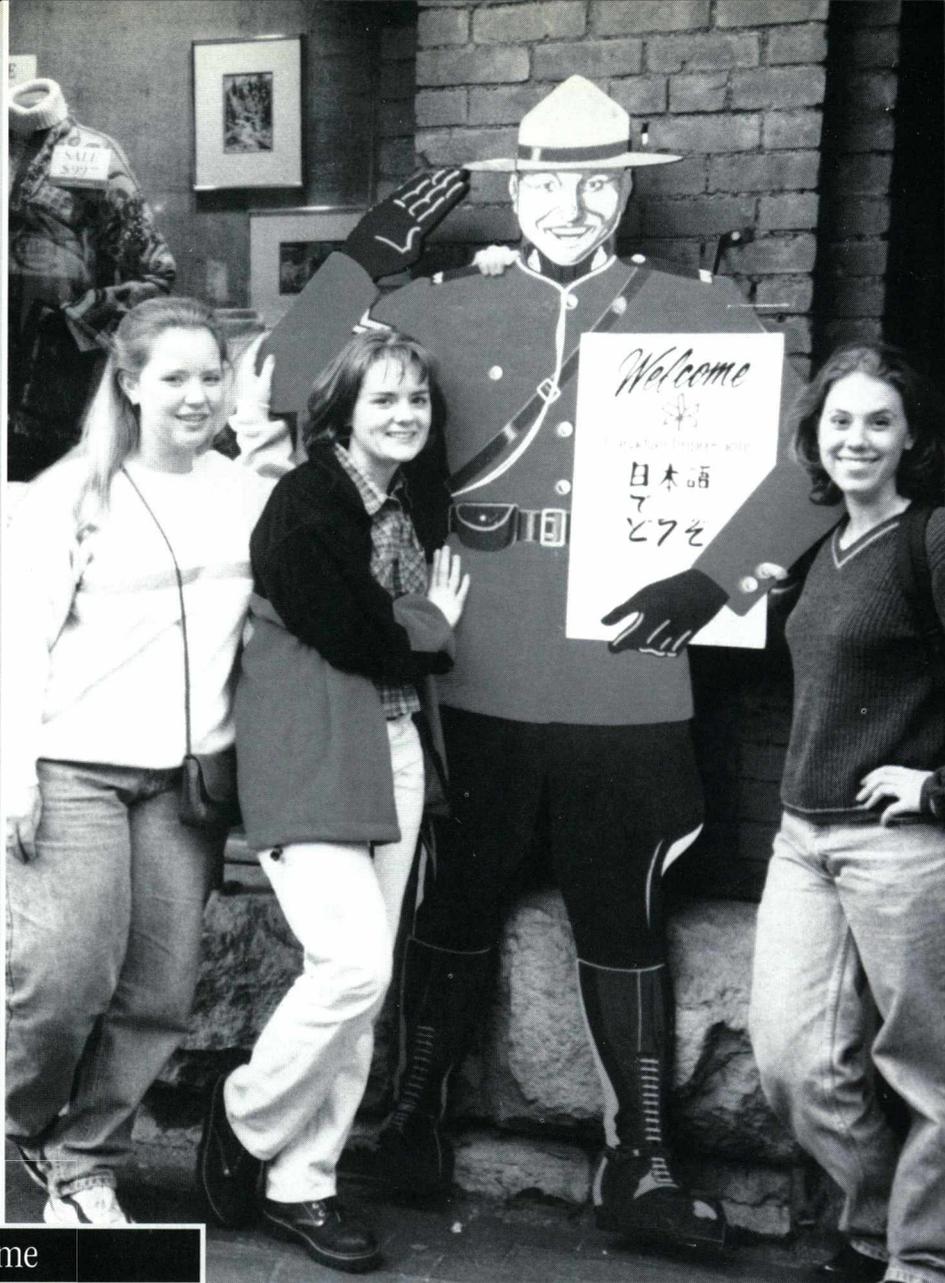
-Brent Gould

"My favorite part of touring with Northwesters was Norma Thompson trying to teach me how to do the 'Roger Rabbit' on the streets of Leavenworth, Washington."

-Brandon Hoffman

band and choir tours

tour time



Top: "We like our men big and burly!" exclaim Amber Culbertson, Carrie Gilbert, and Carrie Goldsmith. The Northwesters spent part of spring break touring through Washington and Canada. **Left:** Giddy after a great performance, Joey Boerner, grabs some grub with Andi Fisk. Crusader choir spent a year in preparation for their summer European tour. **Right:** Linked together in music and friendship, concert band members Heidi Reimer, Jayme Harding, Michelle Shroyer, and Kara Lyons take a breather before their next performance. Concert Band had a great time on the road in Oregon.



Music rang through the campus of Northwest Nazarene College through the talents of Crusader Choir, Concert Band, and Northwesterners. Though each group varied in size and musical style, the heart of every member centered around faith in the Lord. Strong and sturdy, Crusader Choir was the largest of the competitive choirs. Under the direction of Professor Judy Sadler, they provided a plethora of musical variations reflective of the detailed life of Christ. Professor Sadler also experimented with different styles and sounds for the choir to perform. Despite the hard work, student members enjoyed their preparation time in order to better ready themselves for their two week summer tour through Europe.

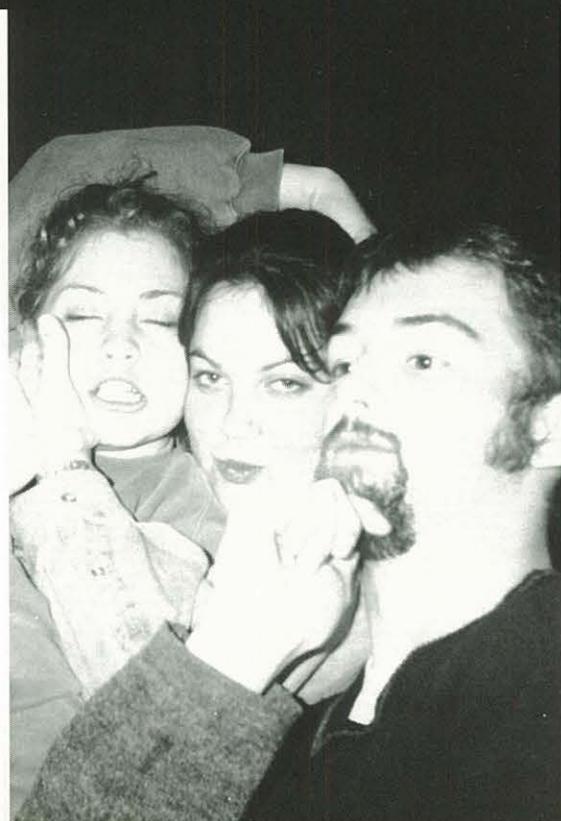
Professor Mike Bankston's Concert Band showed its commitment and excitement through a weekend journey to Oregon

during second term. Band members also entertained NNC students through a comical and dedicated performance that occurred in chapel as percussion members gave a drummer's special.

Northwesterners began the school year after an exuberant time of summer ministry in England. Directed by Doctor Daniel Hibbett, student members visited many surrounding churches, traveled to Portland, and spent spring break in community as they toured through Washington and Canada.

"As the smallest choir with only 21 members, I really enjoyed the time we shared. The fellowship reminded me of a family," stated member Carrie Gilbert.

Crusader Choir, Concert Band, and Northwesterner members contributed to the mission of NNC both on campus and through the trips on which they journeyed.



Top: Welcome to Canada, eh! Northwesterners members gather for a quick grin while on tour. Choir members combined their talents to produce a terrific team. **Left:** High on life, Jodie Yoder, Heather Staffenson, and Brian Staffenson enjoy their bus ride. Road trips were an eye-opening time as Crusader Choir members saw each other's true sides. **Right:** Hoping to make a few pennies, R.J. Strickland, Masor Simmons, Mike Young, and Brandon Hill serenade nearby shoppers. Concert Band members enjoyed spending a weekend in Oregon ministering at different churches.



ASNNC rose to the challenge to provide more activities on campus. Their combined efforts proved to be very successful as they promoted fellowship and fun among students. The use of Clydes served as a consistent and inviting location for many events. ASNNC members brainstormed for possible ideas and effectively appealed to the campus community with a variety of exciting activities.

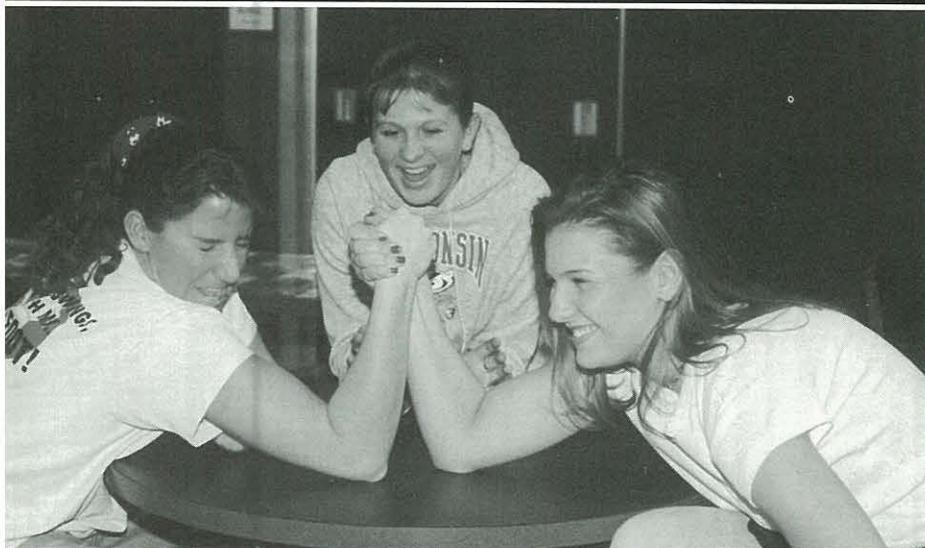
Jazz in Clydes invited students to enjoy the services of Clydes, as well as to be serenaded by the musical talent of Brandon Hill. Hill was the star of the evening and provided an inspirational selection of tunes during the event.

The Married Student Dinner was strictly geared toward those vowed couples surrounding NNC. Participants gathered at the Hong

Kong Restaurant in Nampa for a great meal before they journeyed to Chaplain Gene Schandorff's home to engage in a plentiful pie smorgasbord, as well as a refreshing and exhilarating evening of games and fun!

After a home basketball game, sweet-toothed students joined ASNNCers at Clydes for an Espresso & Brownie Sundae explosion! The chocolate and coffee caffeinated event sparked an additional rush of adrenaline to fans who recently came from the game.

The events sponsored by ASNNC members were an incredible success. The activities provided an opportunity for old friends to get together, as well as to meet new ones, and continued to maintain a sense of campus community involvement and enjoyment on behalf of everyone attending the events. A good time was definitely had by all.



Top: Chatting at the round table, Jacob St. Mary, Sara Braker, Naomi Falby, Lynette Brown, and Erin Wing apply for knighthood. Many activities in Clydes provided opportunities for fellowship among students and built a greater sense of community on campus. **Left:** Battling for the crown, buff babes Kristal Watson and Shawna Heim exert their strength in an arm wrestling contest as Dawn Stuvland cheers them on. **Right:** Dustin Zimmerman and Perla Aragon are starved crazy for the excellent treats at Clyde's. ASNNC parties brought the place alive with events such as Jazz in Clydes and the Espresso & Sundaes celebration!

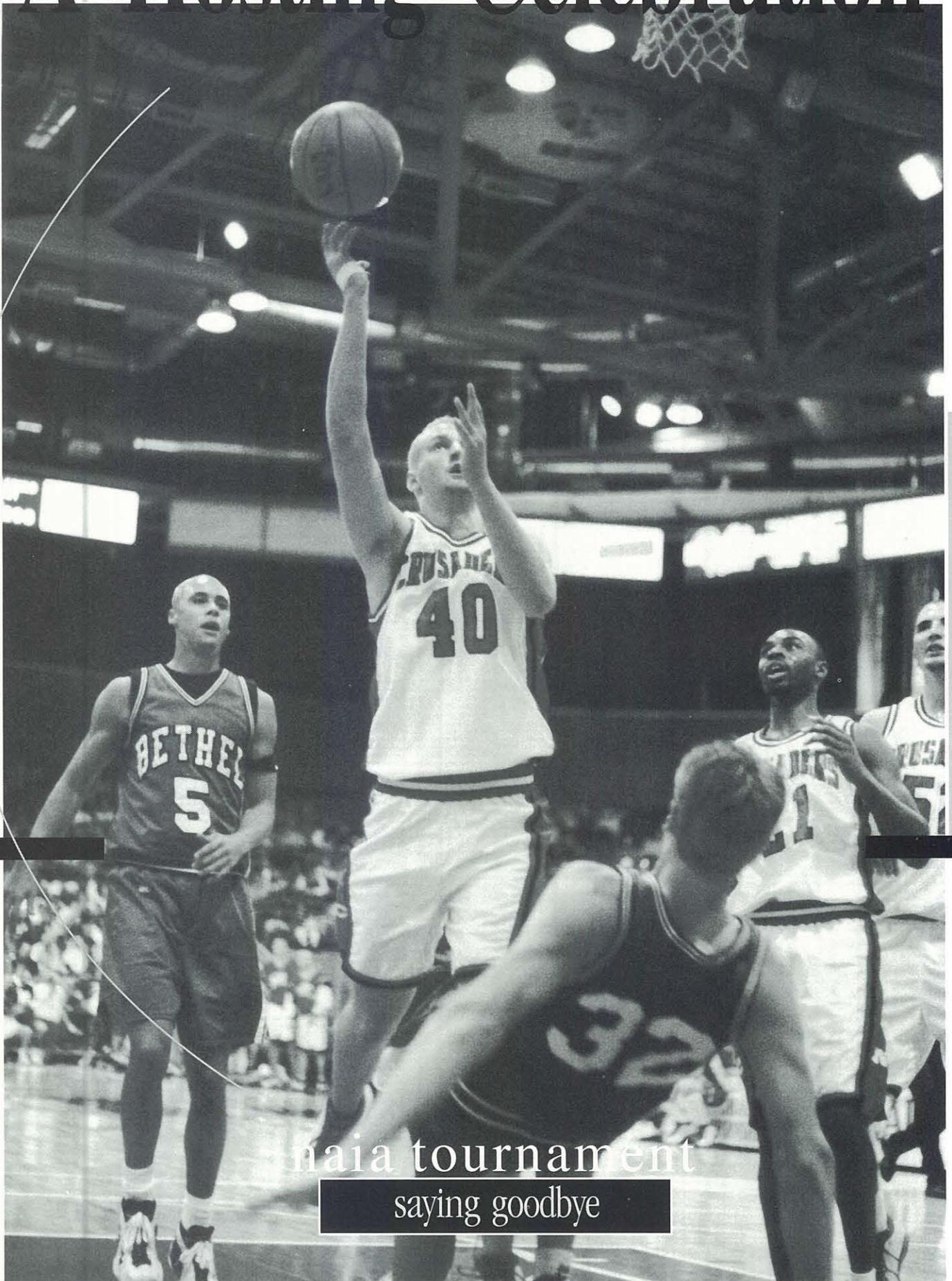
Clyde's Specialties



asnnc events
study breaks & socializing

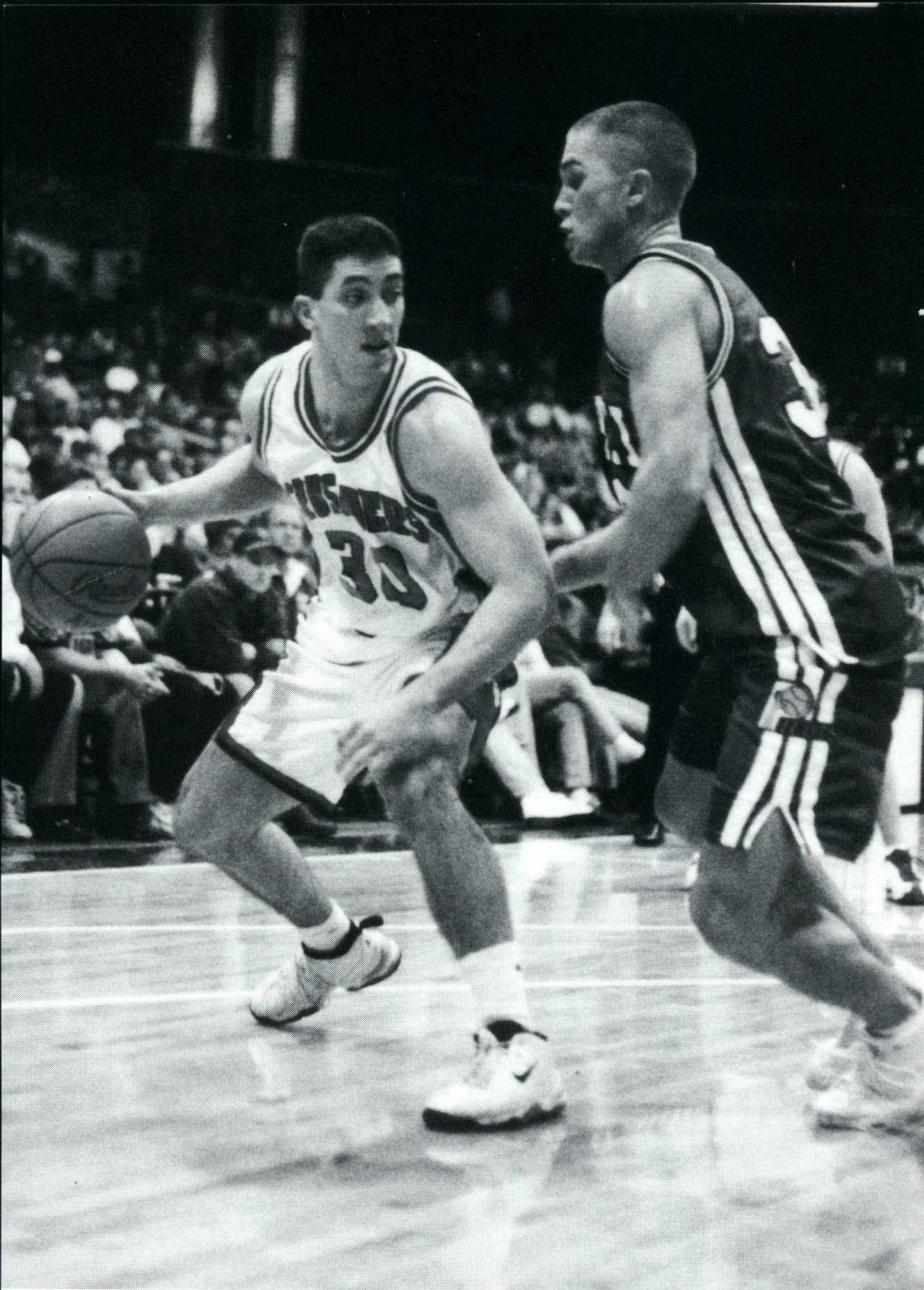
Above: Letting his fingers do all the work, Brandon Hill takes the initiative to make beautiful music during Jazz In Clydes. ASNNC sponsored many activities to encourage students to make use of the student room known as Clydes.

A Hosting Celebration



naia tournament
saying goodbye

Above: 3...2...1...Blast off! Junior Jeremy Stockett sails toward Bethel's basket as fellow team members Detmetiros McBride and Scott Bishop await the play. NNC men joined thirty other basketball teams across the nation to battle for the annual title.



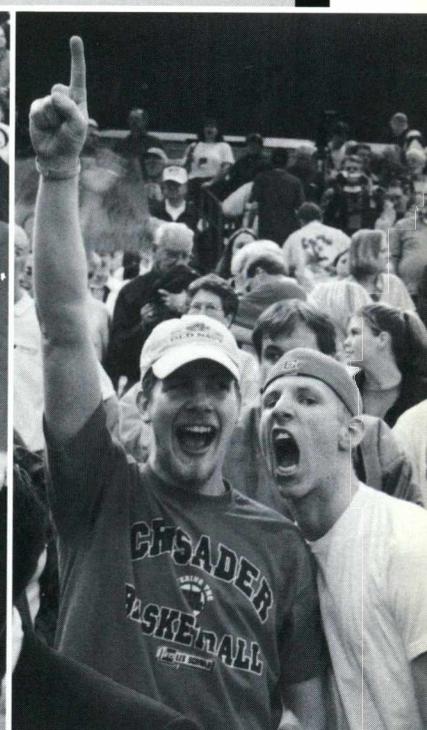
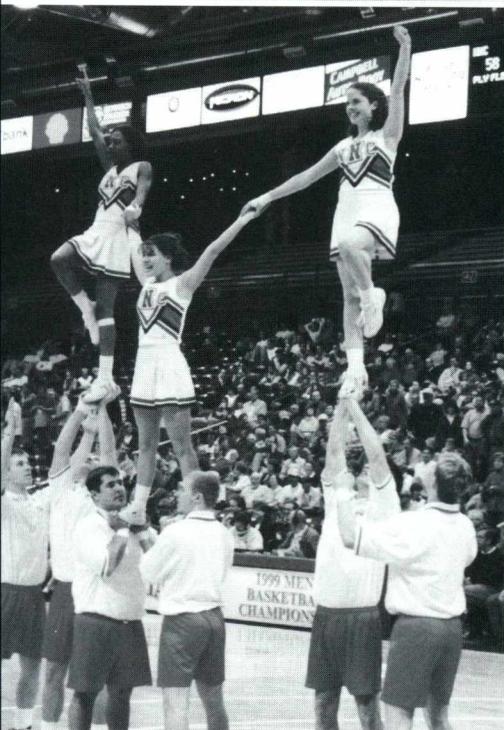
After eight years of hosting the NAIA men's basketball tournament, NNC opted not to re-bid for the tournament sponsorship. Thus a fond farewell was wished to the event, as students and athletes enjoyed the games in our own Idaho Center for the last time.

Approximately 2500 students, campus affiliates, and community members came to support NNC against the highly ranked Bethel College. Though the team lost by six points, they played an impressive and invigorating game. "It was an exciting game," said Marisa Schmit, "especially when our fans realized that their cheering was a big influence on the team, helping them to focus on the game. Sometimes basketball games can tend to be more social events, but at this game students were especially focused on supporting our team." Schmit, who has been involved in and who has directed student NAIA events since her freshman year added that she was sad to see the college give up the tournament. "It was really an ideal spot because of our faculty and community support," Schmit said.

Students had the opportunity to watch NNC in the tournament for free by driving vehicles and transporting players who came from all over the nation. Fifty students took turns waking up in the early hours of the morning to pick up teams and take them to the airport. Others had the responsibility of picking up cars from dealerships who were contributing to the NAIA event. Participation helped the tournament run smoothly and gave students a chance to get in on the basketball fever.

The final game between Bethel College and Cornerstone University brought out many NNC supporters and fans. The game was extremely close, with Bethel losing by a thin margin.

Due to the decision for dual membership in both the NCAA and NAIA for the 1999-2000 year, NNC ceded its hosting rights to focus on the expansion of the athletics program. For the next four years, NNC will still be eligible to participate in the NAIA tournament, which will be hosted by the College of the Ozarks in Kansas City, Missouri.



Top: Drive right? Left? Judging from the moves of a Bethel guard, Chad Mitchell prepares for a play. The NAIA tournament provided students with sports enjoyment, as well as volunteer opportunities. **Left:** Singing their team in spirit, NNC cheerleaders give a shout out to the crowd. The NAIA tournament encouraged NNC and its surrounding community to support men's basketball. **Center:** Saluting the teams during an anthem song, Northwesterners members joyfully follow direction from Dr. Hibbett. The tournament presented many ways for students to become involved with the event. **Right:** Making a name for themselves in the midst of NNC's cheerful support, crazy fans Dan Epley and Mike Dickerson display their #1 sided support.



There were several opportunities for students to be involved with mission trips this spring break. The Venezuela team journeyed to Barcelona, located six hours east of the capital city Caracas. There, they worked in suburbs and the vicinity to lay the foundation for a Nazarene church, as well as to engage in street ministry programs. Along with the manual labor of pouring foundations, the group met with people in the plazas, led worship services, and distributed clothing and games to the needy. One project consisted of making repairs to a concha—an outdoor community athletic court found in many South American urban areas.

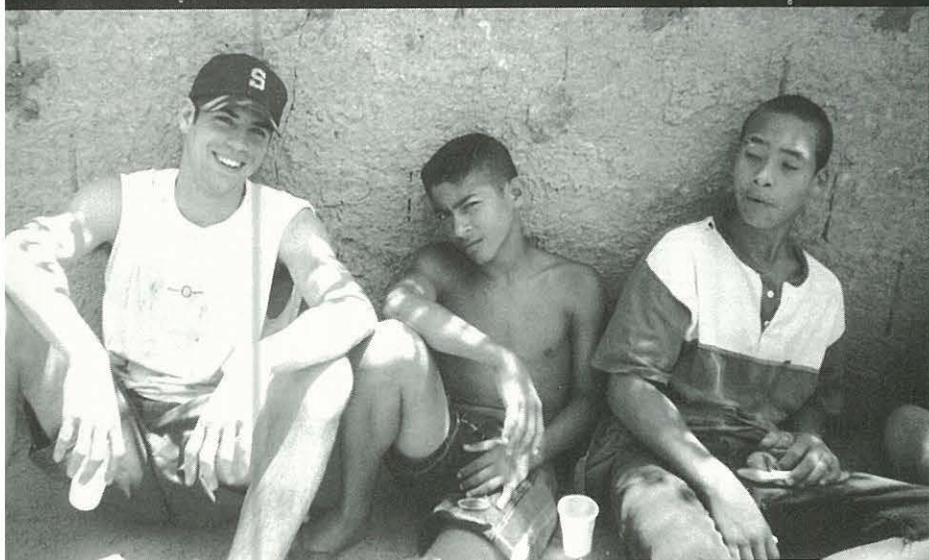
The team was also involved in street ministries, which involved getting to know the people in the city squares and public places, ministering to the needy, and putting on puppet shows for children. Clothes were given to Venezuelans, and each student brought a duffel bag in addition to their allotted travel bag filled with sports equipment to give to the Venezuelan children.

Fifteen university students from throughout Venezuela as well as three NNC alumni joined the NNC group in Barcelona to help accommodate language barriers. This team worked side by side with the NNC students, paving the way for international fellowship. The Zickefoose

family, long-time resident missionaries, also helped the NNC volunteers.

The group prayed for God's leading and gathered together throughout the term getting to know one another and preparing for their work and witness. Sophomore Angie Steele said, "We began learning that we were not only going to serve, but to learn something from them. I realized that I would bring something back of what they teach me." Students going on the mission trips were excited about the opportunity to be exposed to a different culture and to share God's love with everyone they meet. "Basically, we wanted to show kids some love that they really don't get anyplace else," said Dustin Herring. Senior Jen Revels agreed and was most excited about working in the plazas and putting on the puppet show for the kids. Prior to the trip she said, "It's going to be a good outreach for the community. We'll meet a lot of people. I think we'll be able to get a lot accomplished with the large group that's going."

The cost of the trip for each student was \$1150 all told, but prayer, said Angie Steele, took the worry out of the fundraising effort. Students wrote to their churches and parents' friends asking for contributions rather than having a large fundraiser. Steele said, "I was really worried about having all the money come in, but God's done amazing things. We all had faith that God would work everything out."



Top: Sharing love and smiles, Amy Lykens takes time to get a picture with some of the children that spent their days watching the NNC Venezuela team build the foundation of a Nazarene church. **Left:** Chillin' with his Venezuelan homeboys, Dustin Herring ministers to others. Students travelled to Venezuela for a week to help lay a church foundation and engage children in VBS activities. **Right:** 1...2...3...push! NNC students discover the flexibility in missions. Students pushed buses, passed dirt, poured concrete, and shared the passion of Christ with Venezuelan children.

building And Reaching

"The first day none of the kids would talk to me...the last day, they were looking for me, and I didn't have enough hands to hold them all. But I had plenty of love."

-Carly Powne

"My favorite thing about the people in Venezuela was that they were so giving. They didn't have much at all, but what they did have, they were willing to share with others."

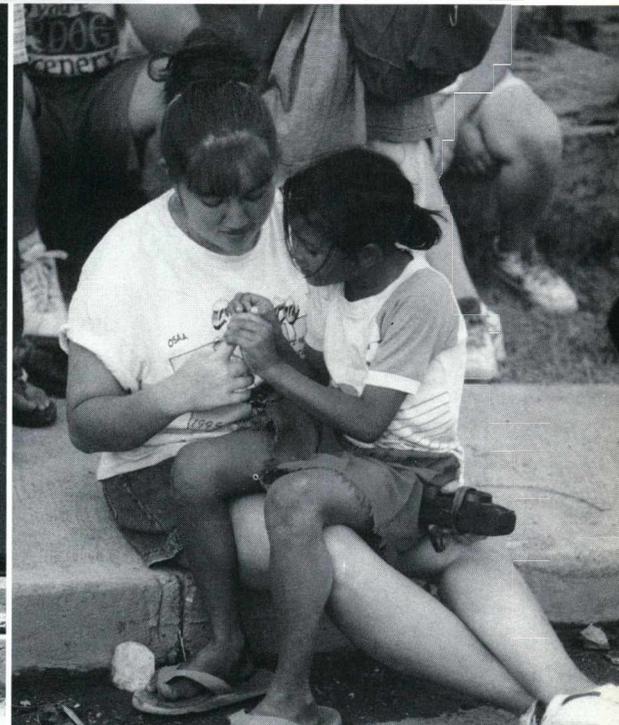
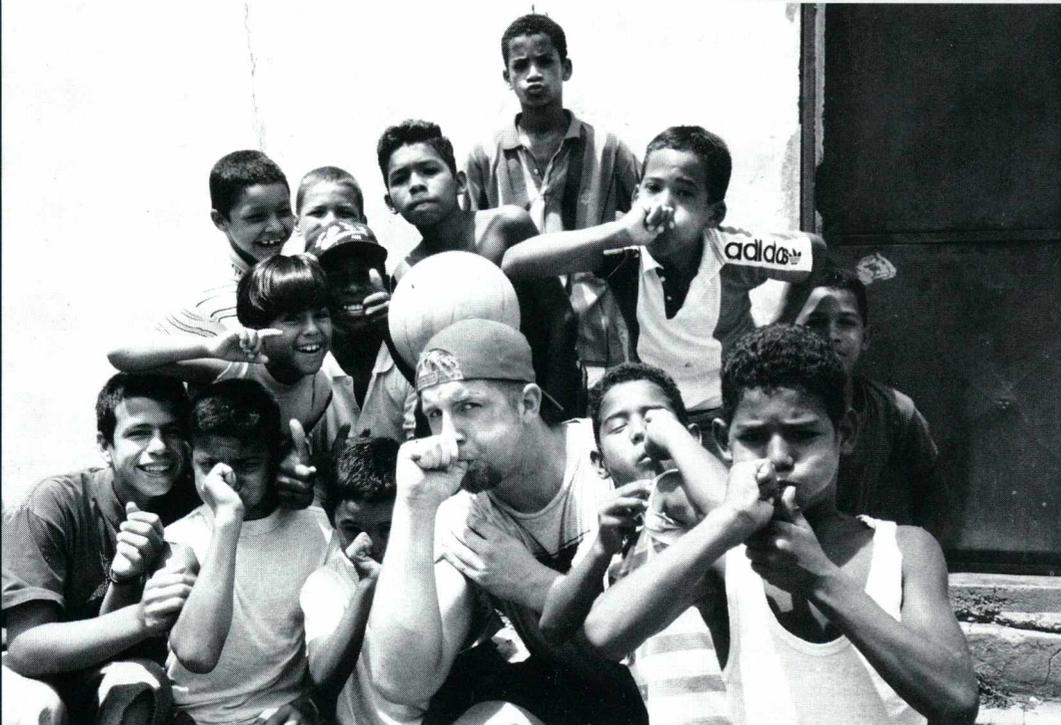
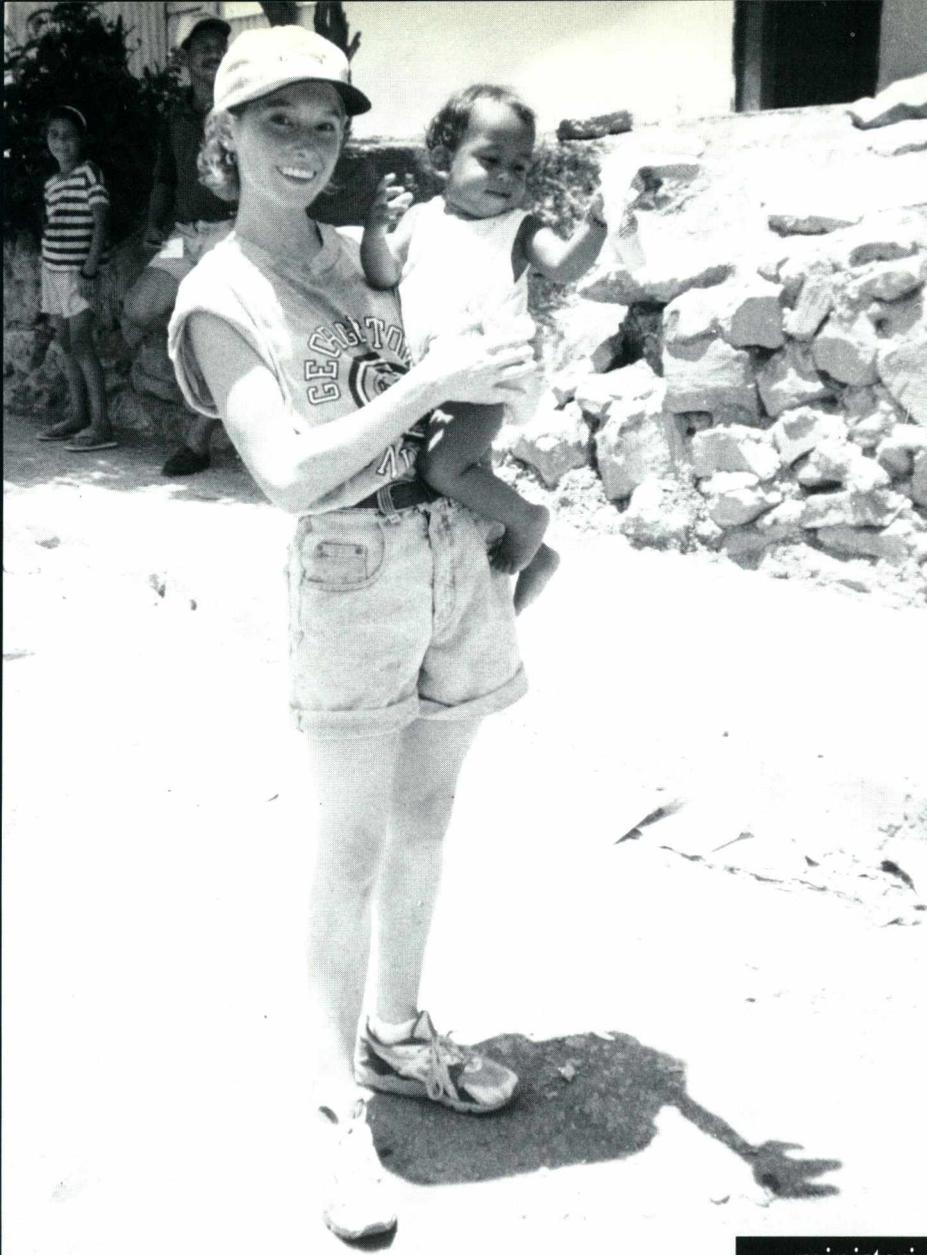
-Jennifer Pritt

"There was a 13 year old girl that had a baby. She was never really responsive, wasn't included with the other kids, and she didn't go to school. The other kids would come and help us work and wanted love, but in this girl's case, *we* were the ones who had to reach out. When we were leaving, I gave her a big hug, took her picture, and tried to tell her that God loved her and wouldn't forget her; then she began to cry. I think it meant a lot to me because she realized that a group of people loved her and accepted her for who she was no matter what other people thought of her.

-Kristina Roth

spring break

ministering in venezuela



Top: Joyful about ministry, Christina Roth spends time with a child of God. NNC students were missionaries for a week in Venezuela. **Left:** Steve Roth coaches the budding Venezuelan basketball team to victory. Roth and other team members spent the afternoons playing games and reaching out to the children. **Right:** Touching lives in Venezuela, Jennifer Duffy reaches out to her new-found friend. The children were the highlight of the spring break mission trip.

Catching Rays



spring break
road trips, rest, & relaxation

Above: In the limelight of San Francisco, NNCer's Judi Clark, Laura Rogers, Jeremy Meehan, Erin Harri, Kara VarWinkle, and Missy Potter stop and smile before returning to their sight seeing. Students journeyed near and far to relax away from campus and classes.



Spring excursions lead students all over the United States and beyond. A number of students headed for California to take advantage of warm beaches, Disneyland, and Hollywood attractions. Laura Rodgers and Kara VanWinkle recounted visiting All Star Boulevard just as Director Ron Howard was stamping his prints in the cement. Rodgers joked, "We also saw stars practicing for *Days of our Lives*." The group got tickets to Jay Leno and met the late night talk show host. Native Californian Jamie Swanson also returned home to San Diego and spent time watching the NNC baseball team that played Point Loma over the week. Michael Wolfe said, "The best part was being away from Nampa, and having nothing to worry about but baseball. And of course, it's San Diego, so it was phat." Naomi Falby spent her spring break touring the parts of San Francisco she had never seen before, including China Town and the Japanese Tea Gardens. "I walked through the gardens, and there were bonsai trees and ponds filled with huge oriental carpfish. With the flowers all in bloom it was gorgeous," said Falby. Mike Dickerson agreed that the California warm weather was a welcomed time to sample spring before it came

to Idaho in full force.

Students also found warm destinations elsewhere, such as Arizona and Mexico. Aimee Jordet invited some NNC friends to stay at her dad's house over break, and the group toured the Grand Canyon. Angel O'Brien said she enjoyed touring her native Washington with Trisha Wiebe. O'Brien and Wiebe went sightseeing on Whidbey Island, rode the ferry, enjoyed the sight of the lighthouses, and viewed Victorian houses on the island. According to Shannon Adams and Lynnee Friberg, Sun River, outside of Bend, Oregon, was a great get-away spot. "There's a little country mall, cute restaurants, an ice skating rink, and a bird sanctuary," said Adams. Many students also visited friends at other college campuses that had different break schedules than NNC. Lynette Brown said, "I ran into a lot of people on the campus of my friends' junior college; they thought I was a prospective student. It was amusing."

While some students didn't go on road trips or tour a new place, many were just glad to visit home and spend time with family. Adam Jurhs said his time with family was refreshing and fun, and he was home for the arrival of the new family dog, Maggie. No matter where the break was spent, the week was a time for reflection and change of venue from class schedules.



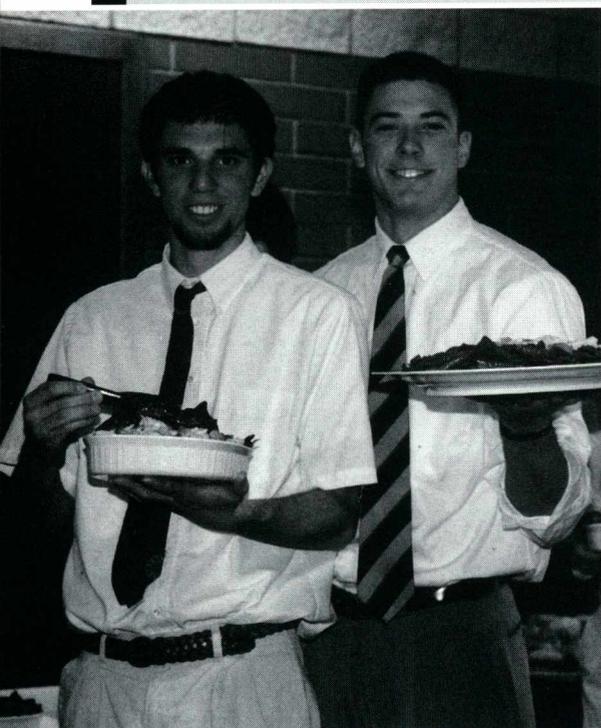
Top: Vacationers PJ Wybenga, Linda Folkestad, Heidi Wybenga, and Daniyar Kamysbayev have fun in Colorado over spring break. **Left:** Hangin' loose during her spring break Maui vacation, Jaime Boyd sips a mocktail beneath the Hawaiian sun. Boyd ventured with her family to enjoy a final fun vacation in paradise. **Right:** What'cha see? Science-loving friends Robin Day, Brian Stillman, Max Changteev, and Laura Luckey venture along a nature trail. Members of the chemistry club spent their spring break in Anaheim, California, at the American Chemistry Society meeting learning more about their future careers and participating in mock interviews.

The second annual Mother Daughter weekend arrived triumphantly on the NNC campus, providing students and their mothers with a special opportunity to share significant and memorable moments.

Mothers from all over the region burgeoned onto the campus, anxious to spend quality time with their NNC daughters. Friday's events began with registration and followed with a dinner provided by Marriott. A friendly "Welcome" occurred next in Clyde's, and the evening ended with a concert by the Boise Philharmonic.

Saturday began bright and early with a delightful continental breakfast and with a refreshing nature walk across campus. A luncheon in the Brandt Center united NNC ladies and their moms for a time of community fellowship and memory making. NNC male volunteers gallantly waited on the dining women, and the Bon Marche generously provided the entertainment by sponsoring a fashion show for the ladies to enjoy. It was truly a time to cherish the feminine aspects of life. The luncheon lasted well into the afternoon, allowing mothers and daughters additional time to spend with one another before the closure of the event with evening devotions.

The successful Mother Daughter weekend encouraged ladies to remember and to cherish the most important relationships in their lives - those between family members.



Top: Sisters? Not quite. Paired with stunning smiles, Missy Potter and mom enjoy the luncheon. The second annual weekend for mothers and daughters was a success on NNC's campus. **Left:** Order up! Sophomore server Chris Cowan and Jeremy Lindley proudly participate in the Mother/Daughter Banquet. NNC men volunteered to serve these lovely ladies during the lunch provided on Saturday. **Right:** Moms and daughters galore! Sarah Stude, Danielle Silvers, Dana Grierson, Tracy Rummer and moms cherish the moment spent together. The event encouraged NNC ladies to spend a great weekend with their mothers.

Moms Galore



mother/daughter weekend
building relationships

Above: Like mother, like daughter. Kari Buckendorf and her mom are captured with contagious smiles. Mother/Daughter weekend provided plenty of opportunities for fellowship and for special bonding.



Car Rally '99, sponsored by the senior class, brought students out in droves for a challenging scavenger hunt. The aim was to find and decipher clues hidden all over Nampa, and to end up at Brasch World for a barbecue.

Junior Brent Gould said, "The car rally was really well done. The planners spent time trying to make sure that it was difficult enough, and yet fun and entertaining. It wasn't just driving around from place to place. There were activities and clues to solve. Also, you had to know a little about Nampa."

And that is exactly why local Nampians Kori Schmidt and Anna Ganske planned to beat out the competition naturally. "We didn't fare as well with the clues, though," said Schmidt, who explained that piecing together the mysteries at each location took creativity and effort. "Our first clue had to do with 'tulips' and 'pairs' and so we found this couple under a tree near the tulips and started talking to them, but they weren't even a part of the scavenger hunt," she said.

Ganske related the highlights of the event, such as going to

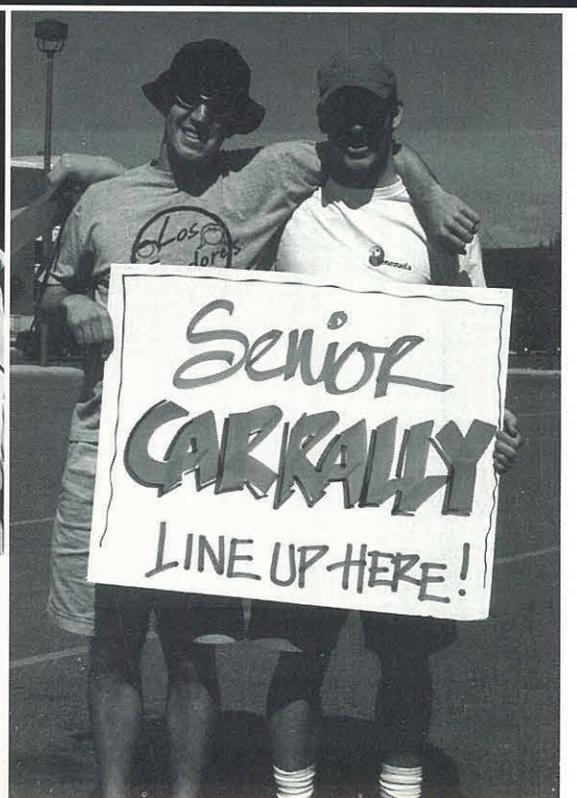
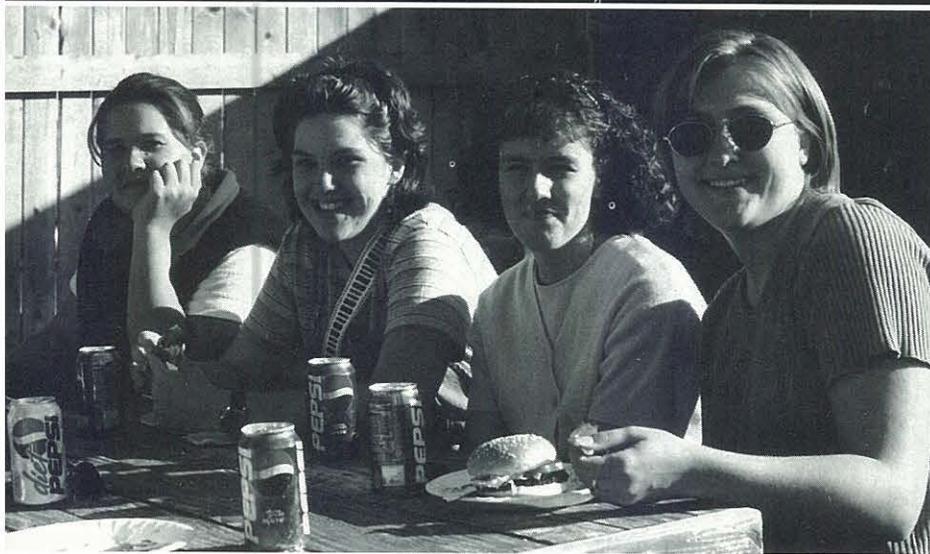
Albertsons and finding an Ed Media employee pushing a cart. "There were word problems where we had to unscramble the name of places like Yogurt Affaire, and when we arrived, we had to balance a spoon on our nose."

Luckily though, most groups were comprised of enough students with Nampa experience for the rally to be a success. Even groups who took detours ended up having lots of fun. Telephone books with maps and directories provided teams with direction as well.

Junior Karen Pillers' team had the opposite problem. "The scariest part was realizing that we've been here long enough that we knew where everything was and didn't have to look up places in the phonebook," she said.

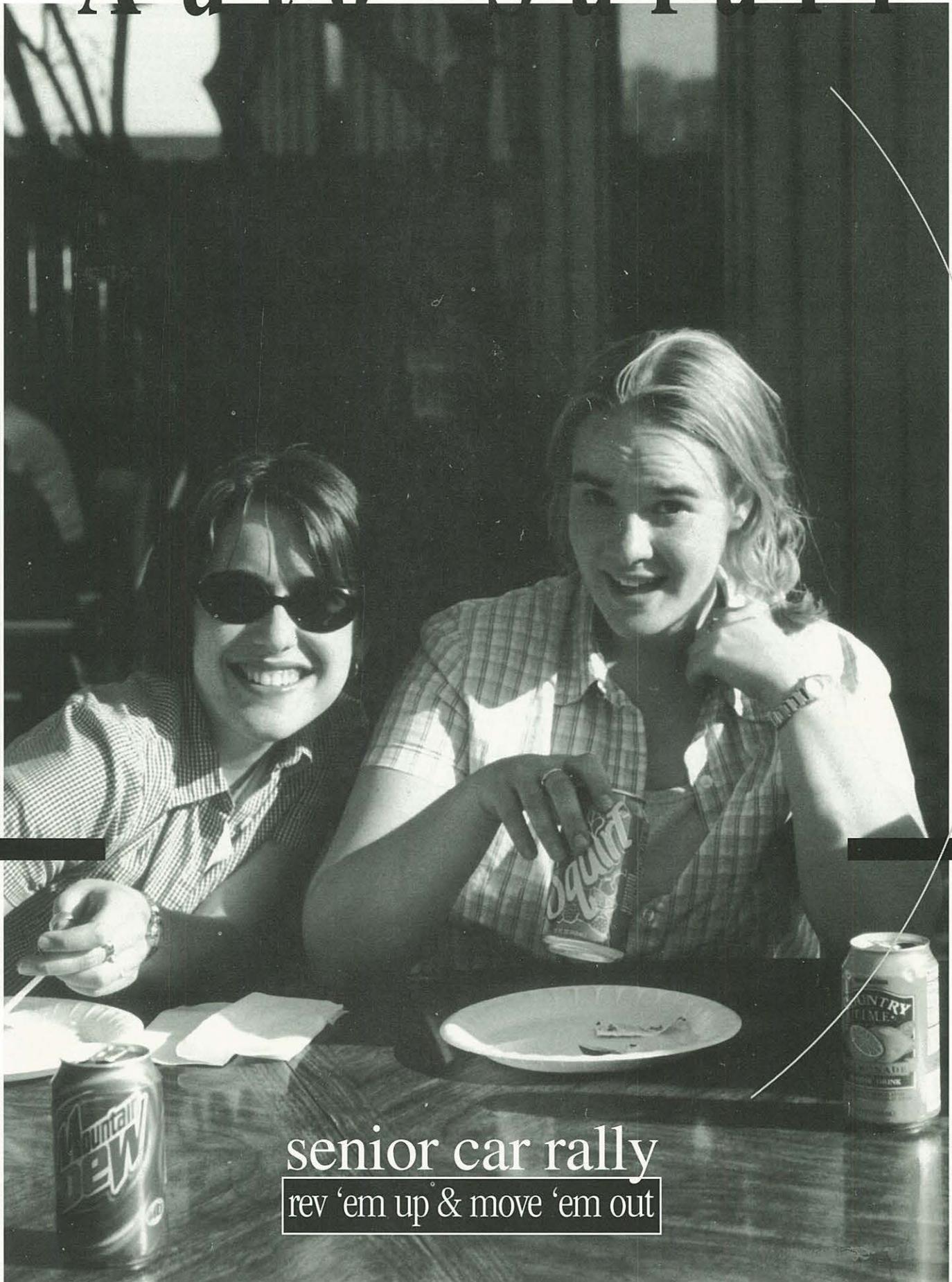
Jerla Chatelain noted other highlights of the rally, such as watching people jump into the NNC pool fully clothed. Students also had the opportunity to practice their swing at the Nampa driving range, where they had to hit the ball past a certain mark in order to receive the next clue.

The senior class opted to provide the interactive event as an alternative to Senior Slick.



Top: Determined to be the best at solving clues, wise women Christa Klosterman, Lisa Guy, and Lindsay Mittelstaedt share great moments together. The rally challenged students to work as a team toward the goal. **Left:** Feasting on free food, car rally participants Aimee Jordet, Melissa Hardy, Jerla Chatelain, and Crystal Larson enjoy their outdoor barbecue. Students followed clues through Nampa and finished at Brasch World for a dinner treat. **Right:** Rallying for some competition, seniors Ben Potter and Jeff Norris support their class' activity. The car rally invited students to participate in a car-bound game of clues and rewards in Nampa.

Auto Safari



senior car rally
rev 'em up & move 'em out

Above: Sophomore sunbeams Andrea Young and Anna Ganske smile and squint during the barbeque at Brasch World. Students enjoyed the fellowship and fun found during the senior class sponsored car rally.

fiddler On the Roof

"The set and all the backdrops were very good. They spent a lot of time putting it together, and it showed."

-Kami Watson

"I loved the music. The orchestra did a wonderful job. It's always fun to see your friends in the production."

-Christine Johns

"So many people thought that Norma Thompson and Carrie Goldsmith were real little girls; they did such a good job."

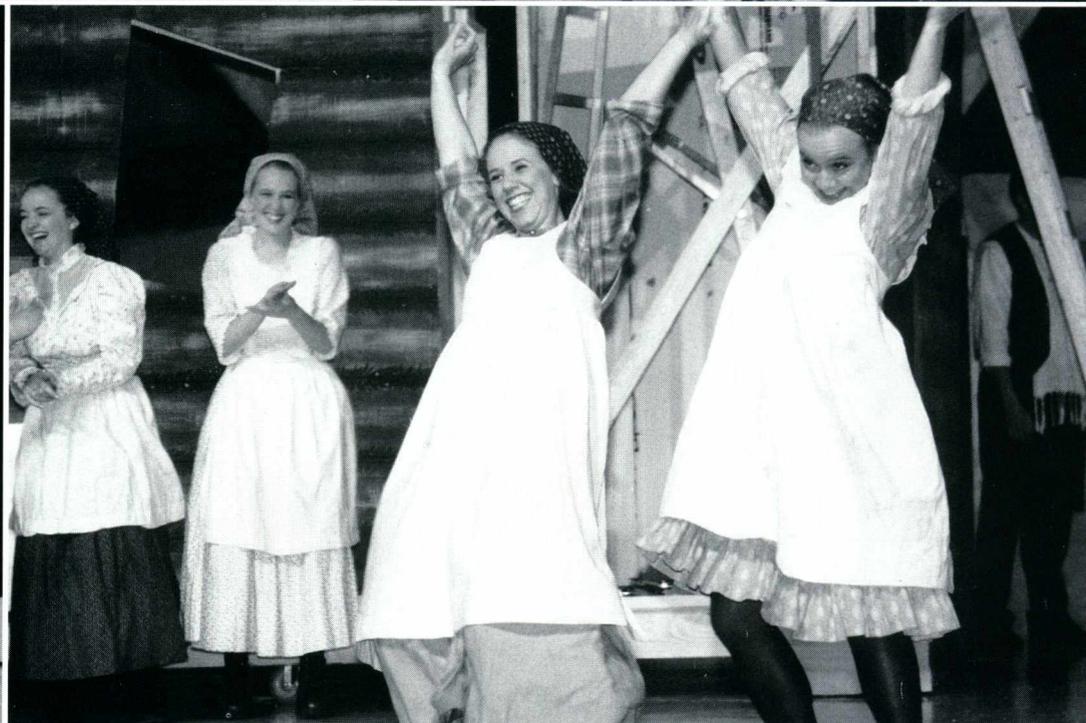
-Max Chtangeev

"I thought it was the best NNC production that I have ever seen."

-Deana Pelletier

spring musical

a crusader tradition



Top: Fiddlin' around on the fiddle, Jayna Poe sits atop the stage during the annual spring musical. **Center:** Cheers! Matt Le Baron, Jeremy Henderson, Justin Koeppen, and Jade Perry raise their mugs in excitement. The NNC campus and community celebrated the astonishing performance given in Fiddler. **Right:** Celebrating the good times through dance, these lovely lasses Carrie Goldsmith and Norma Thompson liven up the stage. Fiddler cast members enjoyed the action-oriented atmosphere present during the musical.



NNC students presented an exquisite performance of the beloved classic, "Fiddler on the Roof," during the week of May 7 through 11. The show was a delightful blend of the vocal and acting talents of the Crusader Choir, Northwesterners, and College Choir members. Musical accompaniment was provided by the NNC orchestra, complete with a skilled entourage of strings, winds, brass, and percussion which infused each number with feeling and exciting momentum.

Al Ellis, starring as Tevye, thoroughly entertained audiences with his hearty, energetic vocals, and with his representation of the humble Jewish villager. Tevye's integrity and strong religious traditions help he and his family survive in a time of change and uncertainty. This heritage is all tested, however, in the marrying off of his daughters, who inadvertently make their own matrimonial choices in spite of the spirited matchmaker, played by the equally spirited Missy Rasmussen. Rasmussen's performance was a great hit; she amused audiences with her humorous quips; "At least I had a husband." Meanwhile, Tevye's daughters found romance in

likely—and unlikely places. Andrea Fisk, as Tzeitel, and Charles Ruppert, as Motel the tailor, overpowered the cunning of the matchmaker to find their own happiness together, thus beginning Tevye's encounter with the inevitable change that would test the reign of "tradition." The interaction between Tevye's daughters and their suitors was authentic and moving at all times.

Also in title roles were Laura Wakeman as Hodel, Joey Boerner as Perchik the student, Debra Ellis as Chava, and Justin Koeppen as Fyedka, a Russian soldier. Ellis, Wakeman, and Fisk all gave enthralling vocal performances as the heartsick daughters of Tevye, hoping for acceptance from their Jewish father. In the chorus "Far from the Home I Love," Wakeman brought an emotional response from the audience with her solo performance bidding father Tevye good-bye. Boerner portrayed with zeal his role as the Russian student who tries to touch the village of Anatevka with new traditions, against the wishes of Tevye and the elders, and Ruppert brought laughter to the audience as the tailor in search of a sewing machine. The overall effect of the play was to capture the feelings of faith, perseverance, and hope of Jews who endured persecution during Russia's revolutionary era. The entertaining roles of the cast and the rich choruses made for a successful spring musical.



Top: Posture performers, Mike Garmire, Shawn Shafer, David Kadel, and Brandon Hoffman stand perfectly poised during Fiddler. The spring musical was a smashing success. **Left:** NNC ladies dance around Andrea Fisk as her marriage is celebrated. The musical received rave reviews and was an outstanding performance. **Right:** Grinning from ear to ear, Debra Ellis and Laura Wakeman gloriously sing to their hearts delight. The Fiddler brought acting and music together to entertain audiences and leave them with a message to remember.

Born to Serve



community service
giving time

Above: Excited about brightening up NNC's campus, spirited workers Neil Weaver, Erin Harri, and Dr. Ken Hills paint their way to perfection. The clean-up day refocused the sense of community on campus.



Spring term was filled with a variety of opportunities in which students could participate. Though classes were hectic and the weather tempted NNCers toward other activities, there were committed college-goers who made time for service.

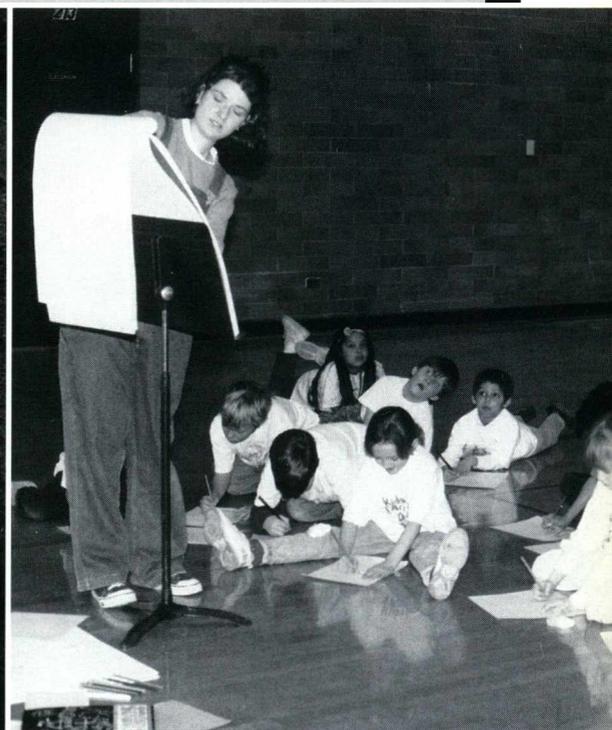
Kids Activity Day invited children from Nampa to the gym for a day filled with games, crafts, and refreshments. Students volunteered for group interaction with kids in the community.

Culver residents joined the Adopt-a-Highway program as they gathered orange trash bags and scattered along Idaho roadways to pick up garbage. As part of the program, Culver earned the right to have its name appear on a sign along the freeway. Resident Director Kim Haddon expressed the fun and offered a challenge to next year's male freshman residents to repeat the service.

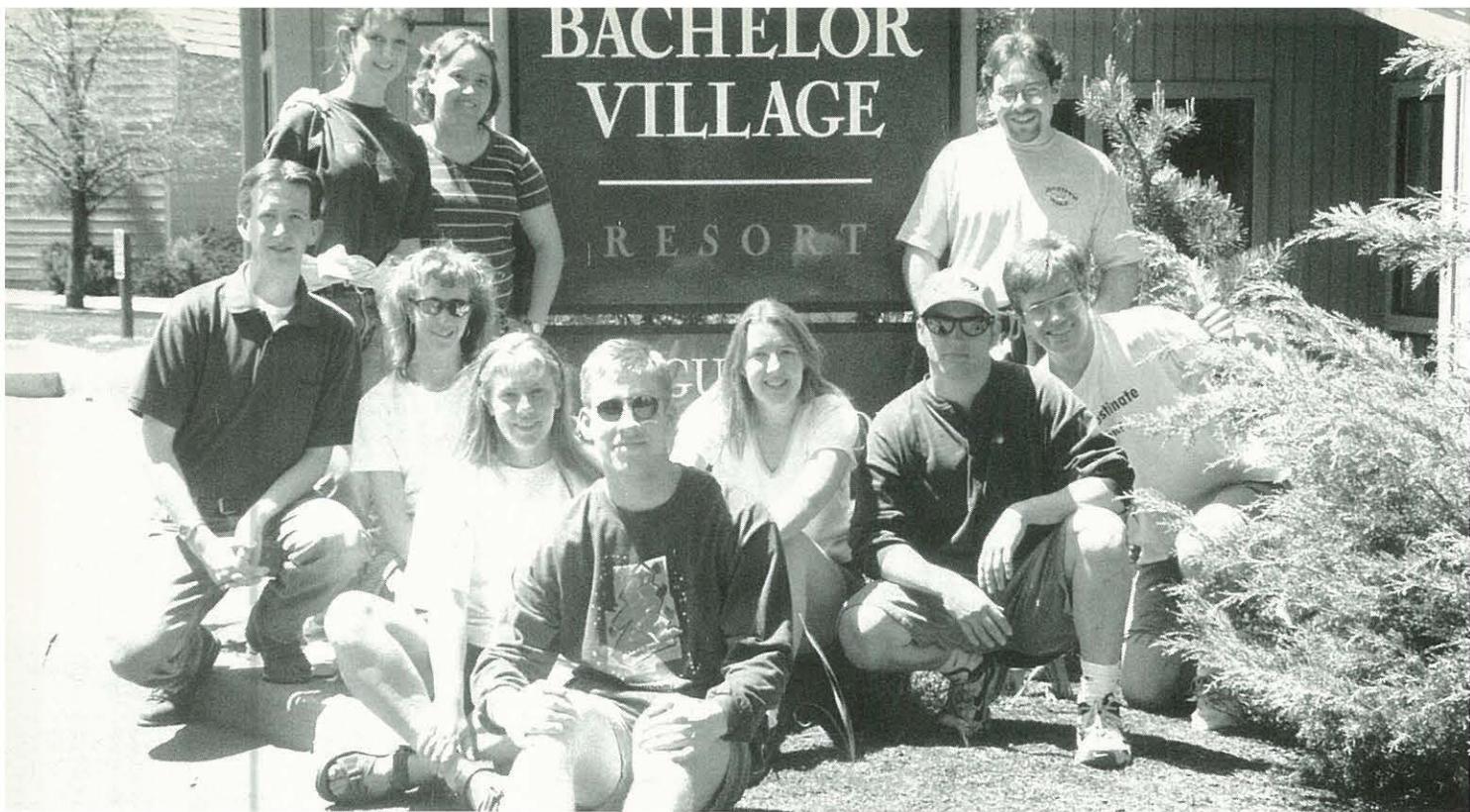
The Campus clean up day encouraged students to join the ranks! Along with faculty and staff, NNC community members combined their efforts to improve the appearance of campus. Volunteers spent hours weeding, planting, painting, and pruning in order to beautify the NNC environment.

Spring's version of RUSH (aRe yoU Serving Him?) provided four different activities in which to participate. Students met early one Saturday morning and prepared for service at various sites. One group helped with the Salvation Army's food drive, the second team assisted the Nampa Neighborhood Housing program in "operation clean sweep," the third group painted cribs at Schism Teen Parent School, and the final team provided yard work assistance at the private home of an elderly citizen.

In the midst of the busyness of third term, many students regained their focus on God through opportunities of spring service.



Top: Culver girls are committed to community. These lovely ladies Beth Nixon, Anna Ganske, and Sarah Menard donned bright orange vests during their highway adventure as they cleaned up trash. **Center:** Crazy about collecting campus trash, Carrie Gilbert shows her spirit of service during NNC's clean-up day. Students joined professors, faculty, and staff on a day dedicated to improving the campus community. **Right:** Artist for the day? You bet! Krystal Loeber encourages young minds to experiment with their creative sides. Kids Activity Day welcomed children to NNC's gym for a morning filled with games, crafts, and fun.



Junior/Senior retreat was a great weekend escape for overly stressed students. The Mt. Bachelor Village Ski Resort, nestled in the woods of Bend, Oregon, provided an environment filled with fresh air, friends, and in most cases, the absence of books.

Students were amazed at the impressive accommodations that the resort offered. Similar to condominiums, the resort included kitchen facilities, two beds, and an upper loft. Junior Lori Braden expressed, "I had the most fun just hanging out, talking and laughing in the lofts."

Many opportunities were available to students on Saturday. Senior Jeff Norris, and Juniors Ken Tennyson, Jill Moseley, and Melissa Tennyson were enthralled with the possibility of skiing and spent half of their day on the slopes. A group of senior ladies opted for a warmer climate as they journeyed through hiking trails of the Three Sister Mountains. Lounging around the resort was yet another option. The recreation center passes provided to students lured many to the tennis courts, Olympic sized swimming pools, and outdoor volleyball courts.

In the midst of activity, Junior Shawn Shafer experienced a humorous memory. He explained, "During our free time on Saturday, I decided to

read my ethics book on the patio overlooking the valley. It was such a sight. As I read, I couldn't keep my mind focused on the subject at hand because of the incredible beauty below me. Finally, I gave up trying to read and decided to go for a walk. I tried to open the sliding glass door of my second floor apartment, but found it to be locked. Because it was my private deck, I was only dressed in an undershirt and shorts. So, I panicked. As I racked my brain for a solution, I quickly climbed over the railing and dropped to the deck below. I found my key and raced over a path of pine cones to the front door. It was the best time I've had in a long time!"

NNC students came together Saturday evening to watch "The Game," to talk, and to consume ice cream and chocolate chip cookies. Melissa Tennyson remarked, "The eating part of junior/senior retreat was my favorite!"

Prior to their departure and five-hour drive on Sunday, students gathered for a worship service and breakfast. Jeff Norris accompanied the singing of choruses on his guitar before delivering the morning devotional. Of the twenty junior and senior students who escaped to Bend, all enjoyed their time away. The retreat was a triumphant success!



Top: High on life! NNC juniors and seniors enjoy their get-away from Nampa and lounge around in Bend, Oregon. The retreat replenished many weary students and encouraged them to put aside their worries and relax. **Left:** Wild about winter, Ken Tennyson, Jill Moseley, Melissa Tennyson, and Jeff Norris take advantage of one last run down Mt. Bachelor before the snow disappears for good. Junior/senior retreat was a joyous success. **Right:** Trekking on the trails, juniors Lori Braden and Robin Day adhere to the adventure at hand. The retreat offered many different activities in which the students could partake.

Not to be Missed!



jr./sr. retreat
escape and relax

Above: Gliding across the ice and snow like a professional, Ken Tennyson enjoys adventure and fresh air away from Nampa. Tennyson and others testified to the success of the weekend retreat.

high spirits, summer fun

“The atmosphere was fun because everybody had high spirits. Since it was the end of the term everybody was ready to let loose and have fun. The only bad part was waking up Saturday morning to the hoses on Culver lawn.”

-Erica Caruso

“The water games and luau were excellent. I felt like I was in Hawaii.”

-Becky Brudnok

“Frisbee golf was a new activity, and it was very successful. The turn-out was great, and everybody who came had a good time.”

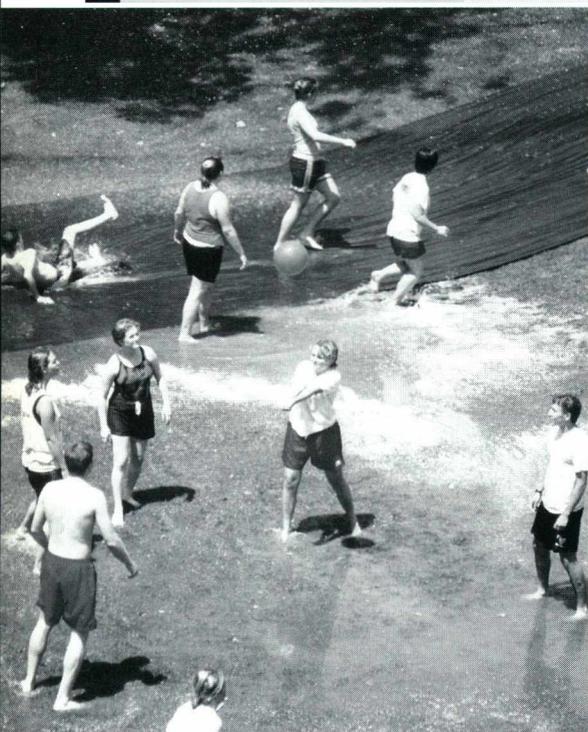
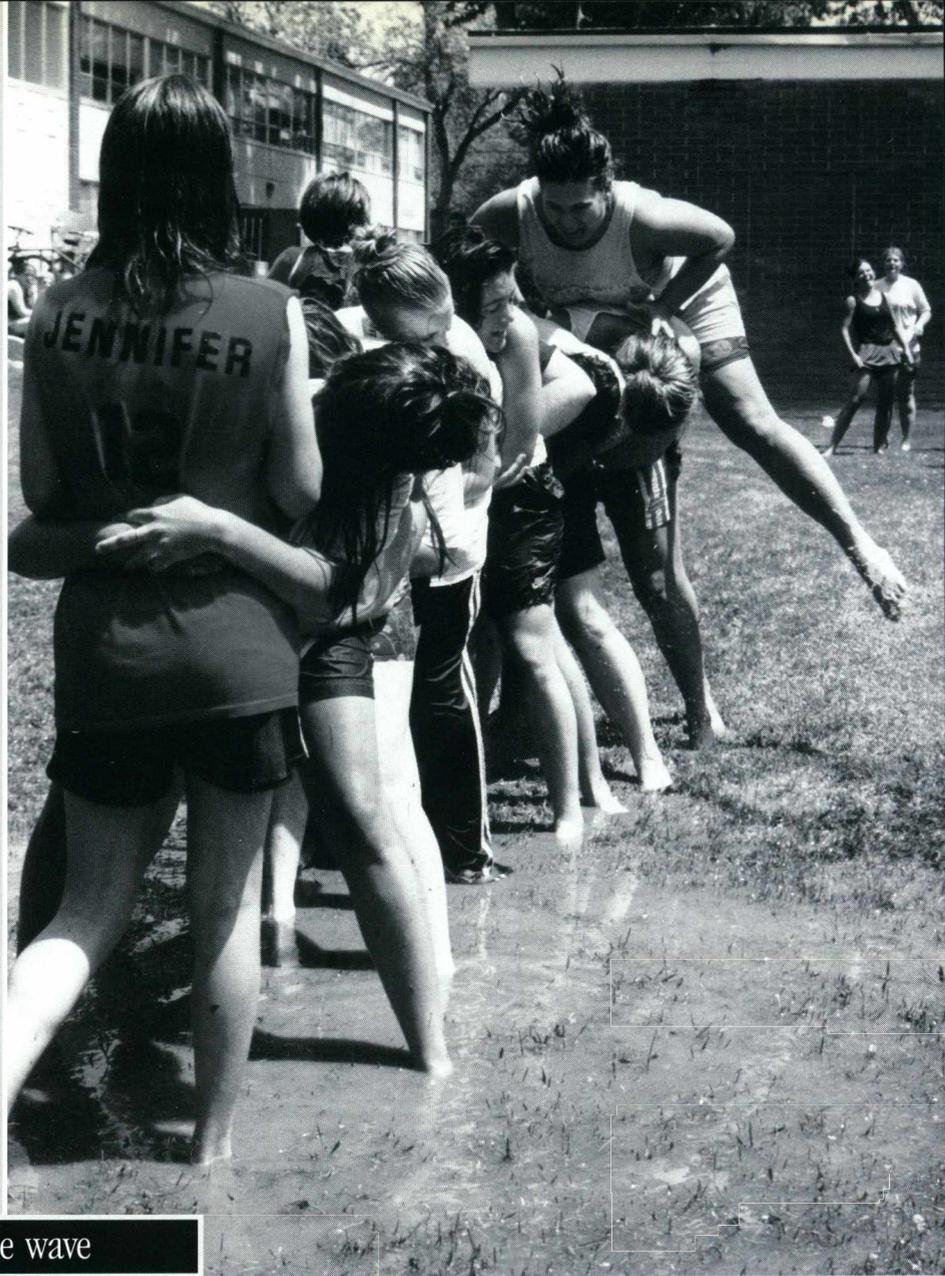
-Chris Bowles

“It was fun being a waitress at Cafe Malibu and seeing everybody looking like they were having a good time. I liked wearing the hula skirt.”

-Kristina Roth

malibu days

catching the wave



Top: Who's next? NNC ladies prepare for the next contestant during their game of buck-buck. Continually achieving success year after year, buck-buck has become an NNC Malibu tradition. **Left:** Fun in the sun! From atop Culver Hall, it's not difficult to see students enjoying Malibu days. "Just being able to be out there with lots of groups and talk to people was the best part," said Robyn Evens. **Right:** Singing for the Lord, the talented END-DAZE band provides background entertainment for students during the luau held on Saturday. Band members included NNC student R.J. Strickland on drums, Dustin Green on guitar and vocals, and Rob Winslow on base and vocals.



It was all about palm trees, entertaining sports, and good music as the campus of NNC delved into Malibu weekend. The refreshing spirit of Malibu began on Friday as co-ed volleyball and frisbee teams converged on the soccer field for fun-filled competition. The set-up allowed students to be spectators to a multi-sport arena as they enjoyed a hearty barbeque in the perfect summer weather. The uniqueness of Friday night's dinner was that students were brought outside of Sodexho-Marriott to an all-school picnic in which off-campus students were invited free of charge. Soothing oldies played over the speakers, providing a mood of entertainment and relaxation for all who came. Melody Irish said, "Everyone totally intermingled being out there on the lawn." Becky Brudnock agreed, explaining, "Everybody was together. It really reminded me of summertime." Amie Bishop said that the feeling generated by Malibu was very positive: "I think what I will remember most is the feeling of when we first were walking to the barbeque and heard the music blasting. Also, the popsicles were

yummy." Friday evening was topped off with Cafe Malibu and the chance for some entertaining karaoke, as well as for refreshing drinks. Pat Lebow drew cheers for his rendition of Elvis' "All Shook Up." Songs from *Grease* and Shania Twain were very popular. Wyatt Werner and Troy Olson sang together for the third year in a row, performing "I Am, I Said," by Neil Diamond. Werner said, "We like to pick the worst songs and have fun with them. We've been practicing for three years."

Water sports highlighted Saturday. Water-skiing at Lake Lowell gave students a taste of summer excitement. On-campus, the traditional water games on the lawn between Culver and Dooley offered a wet and wild turf for playing sports. Among the games were "buck-buck," spud wrestling, and slip and slide. Kara Wilson said, "The mud-water sports were the best." Though Saturday morning brought some light showers, it didn't stop many students from plunging right into the activities. And for anyone who was hungry, Sodexho-Marriott provided cookies and drinks. Kristy Heffner also worked to secure a (cont. on page 61)



Top: Wanna hula? Crowded before a palm tree, freshmen island maidens sing about paradise. Karaoke provided an enjoyable evening for students at Cafe Malibu. **Left:** Devoted to explaining the intense strategies of Balderdash, Missy Johnson delivers her plan of action with ease. The island theme and warm temperatures helped students to imagine themselves in the midst of paradise. **Right:** Crazy about crayons, Brandi Blacklock, Nikki Danielson, and Rachelle Gienger put their creativity to the test. Students gathered at Cafe Malibu for an evening filled with games, karaoke, food, and fun.

Malibu Mania



malibu days
summer heat

Above: Simon says, "Grab your belt!" Igniting laughter throughout the Malibu crowd, Missy Rasmussen and Ben Hausch rise to the comedial occasion. Students will remember Malibu as a great time and a relaxing break from their studies.

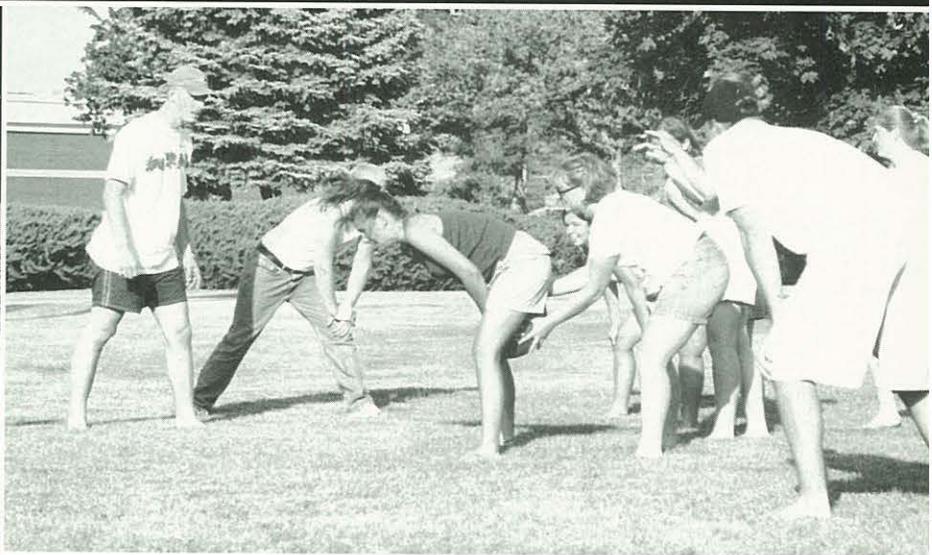
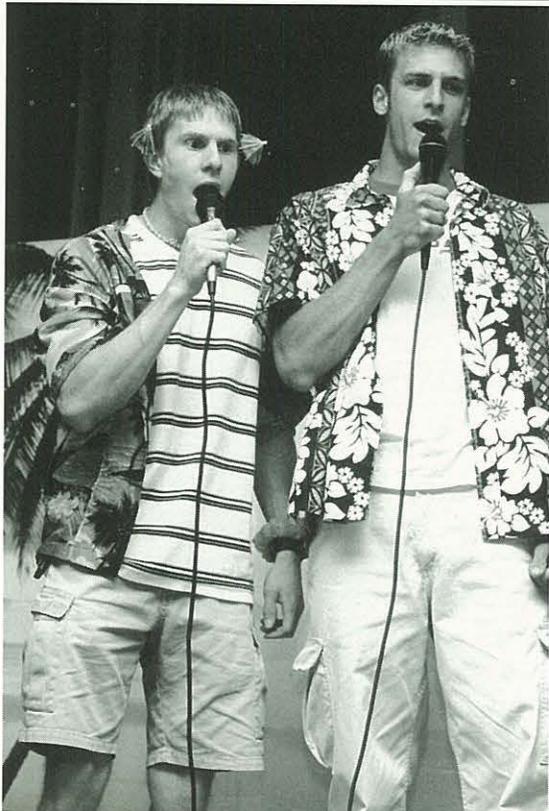


(cont. from page 59) snow-cone machine for Saturday's events, which was "awesome," according to Sara Fitch. The rest of Saturday afternoon was filled with good old competition and the concluding volleyball and frisbee championships. Students came out to support their friends and to relax in the center of campus grounds. "Everyone wants to go to Malibu," said Wilson. "The atmosphere is just fun to be in." Saturday's luau attested to the excitement for Malibu as students came out in droves for an exotic feast, including the famous pig. The END-DAZE band played during the luau and drew the attention of the crowd. The band provided wonderful Christian music and established a mood of rejoicing. They also drew many laughs with their rendition of a La Bamba verse altered as a parody of *The Princess Bride*. R.J. Stickland, the band's drummer, said, "It was so cool how people showed up at five and stayed the entire time. It was neat seeing people play football and hackey-sack and enjoying themselves. Even though I had

to see the pig every time I turned around --it was right behind the gazebo-- it was an awesome time."

The concluding event of Malibu days was a showing of *The Goonies* in gym. Free concessions greeted movie-goers as they came in for a movie. Students found creative ways to bring the comforts of their dorm room to the showing of the movie, which included bringing mattresses to sit on via bicycles and pick-up trucks.

Malibu was a great time to relax before the onset of finals and the conclusion of the year. Bekah Kunz said, "Malibu is always something to look forward to. It's a great way to end third term." Nate Diller commented that the weekend was well organized: "They did a good job of hyping it up, and the tee-shirts were cool." Numerous students agreed, and an overwhelming number of people bought their own token of the weekend to remember.



Top: All aboard! NNC men hold on with determination in hope of triumphing over the previous buck-buck record. Malibu days generated both challenging and rewarding moments for many participating students. **Left:** Softly serenading fellow students, Jeremy Mueller and Josh Hodges perform at the Malibu Cafe. The Friday evening event invited students to come dressed in the proper island theme apparel. **Right:** Hike! Students gather on the campus lawn to engage in an energetic and exciting game of football. Aside from water sports, many NNCers had a great time during Malibu days and managed to stay dry.

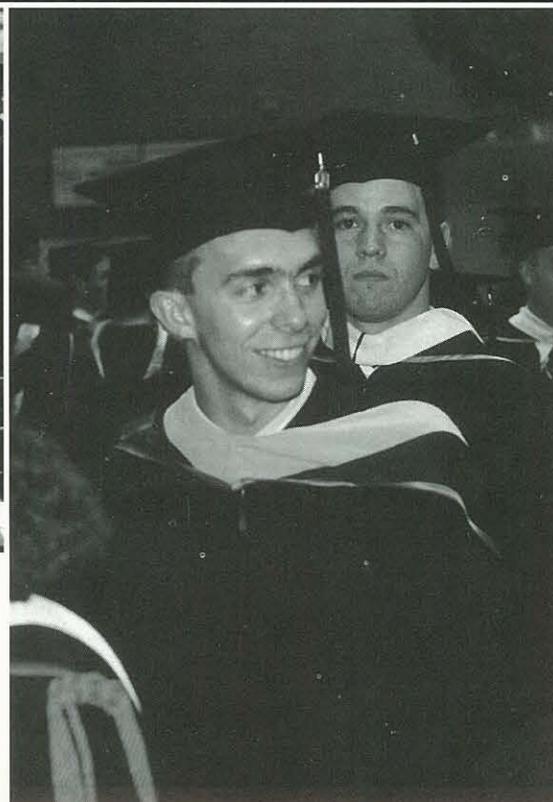


Always a special event, this year's graduation weekend seemed to hold extra meaning for the class of 1999 because of their status as the last class to ever graduate from NNC before the college assumes university status in the fall of 1999. Also interesting this year was the move of the Baccalaureate to Friday evening and Commencement in Saturday morning in an effort to take advantage of the cooler temperatures usually present at those times.

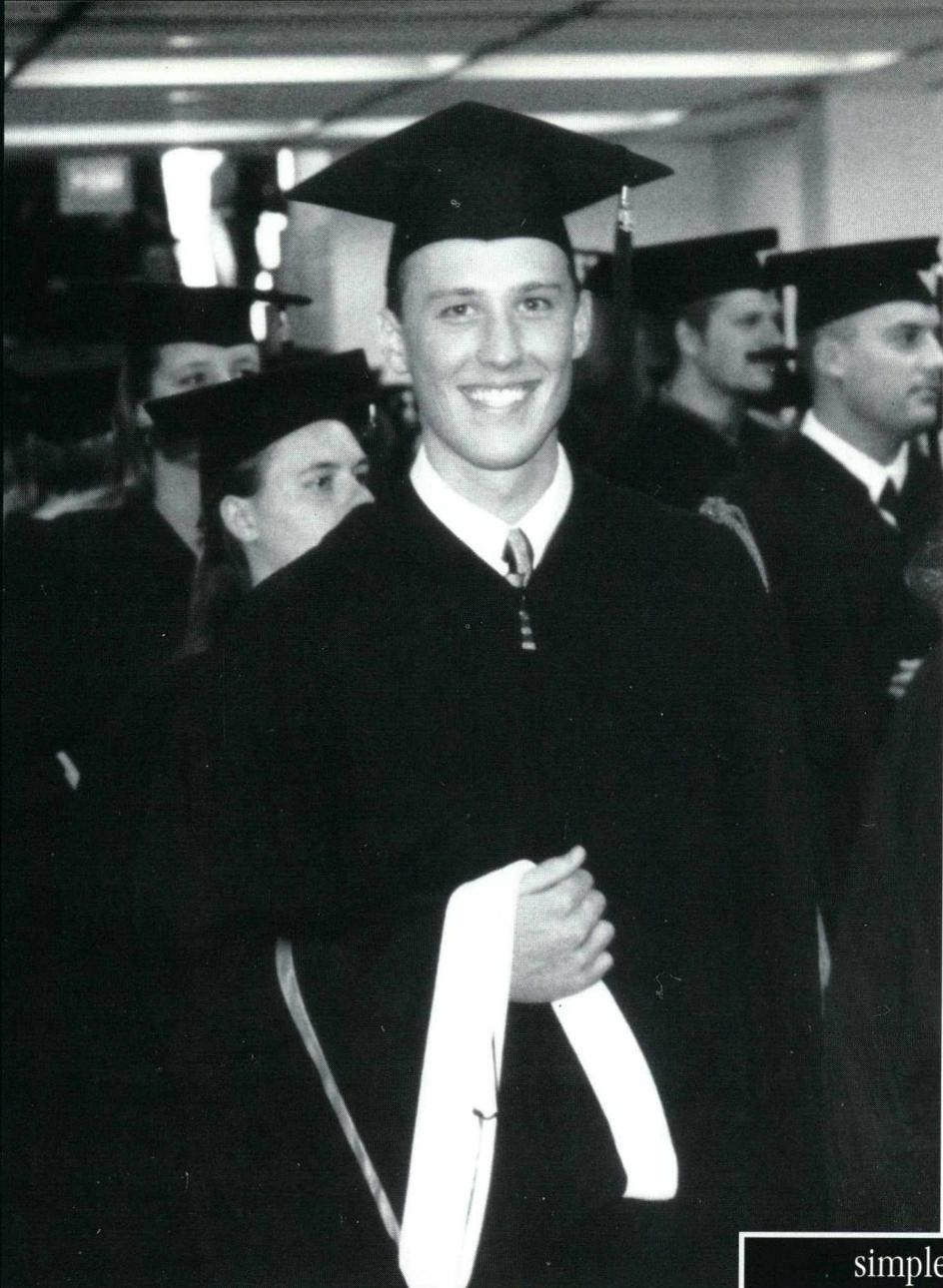
This year's graduation weekend began with the annual hooding of the graduates at Baccalaureate on Friday evening the 11th of June. During the ceremony all of the candidates for degree were hooded by members of the faculty signifying the faculty's satisfaction with the degree candidates. Dr. Samuel Dunn spoke of the Medieval origins of the ceremony and of the

importance of giving faculty the opportunity to send their students "on to further studies, to employment and service." The Co-Professors of the year were involved in the ceremony as well. Dr. Ron Galloway chair of the Department of Business led in prayer and Professor Bill Wantland of the Department of History spoke a few words of appreciation for the class of 1999.

A beautiful arrangement of "Sing Unto the Lord" was performed by the Crusader Choir which was followed by the sermon given by Rev. Kent Conrad of the Seattle Aurora Church of the Nazarene. To conclude the worship service, the entire audience of graduates, families, and friends, joined in a stunning chorus of "Lead On, O King Eternal" at the direction of Professor Judy Sadler.



Top: Making their way towards the Montgomery Field House for Baccalaureate are seniors Heather Olson, Lisa Guy, Lindsay Mittelstaedt, and Christa Klosterman. The ladies carried their hoods in preparation for the traditional hooding ceremony. **Left:** Carrier of the Mace, Dr. Paul Taylor leads the recessional following the Friday evening Baccalaureate Service. **Right:** Physics major Max Chtangeev looks over his shoulder as he leaves Baccalaureate on Friday, June 11.



graduation Activities

Reunion Zero
Sunday, June 4
4:00 pm

Senior Slide Show
Thursday, June 3
10:15 am

Phi Delta Lambda Breakfast
Friday, June 11
9:00 am

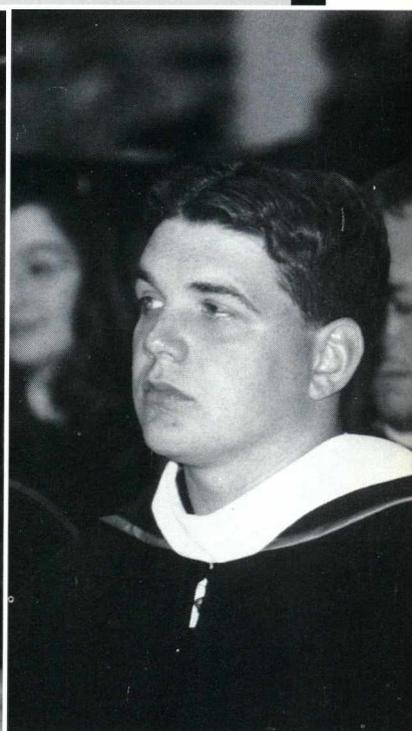
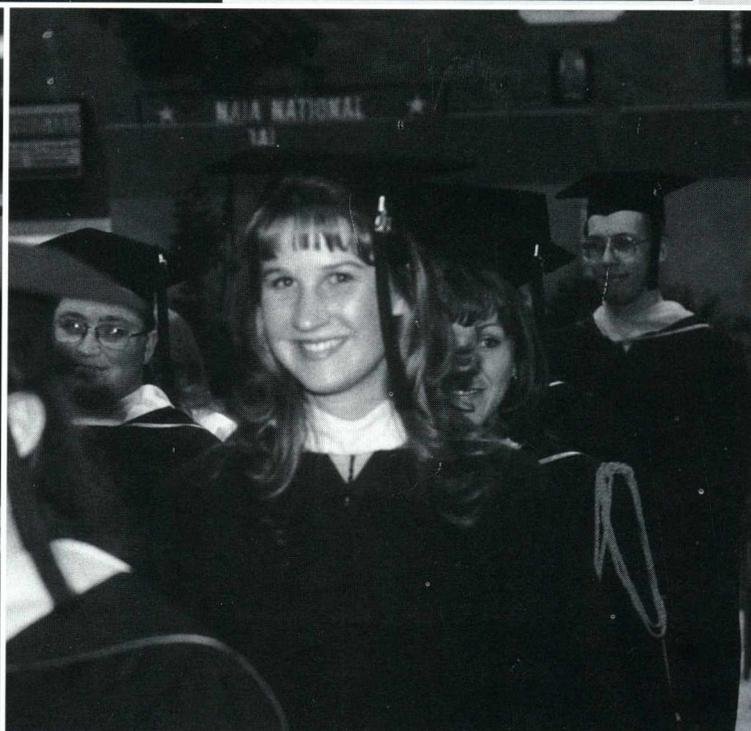
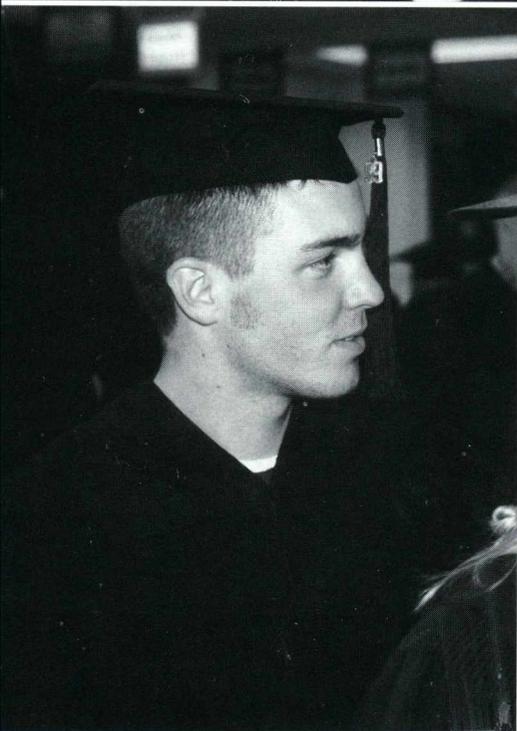
Commencement Rehearsal
Friday, June 11
1:30 pm

Baccalaureate
Friday, June 11
7:00 pm

Commencement
Saturday, June 12
10:00 am

graduation

simple sacrifices



Top: Dustin Metcalf, Religious Studies major, makes his way toward the gym floor for the Baccalaureate. **Left:** Elementary Education major, Jef Lingelbach joins the Baccalaureate procession. **Center:** Robin Smith smiles as she leaves the gym following the hooding ceremony at Baccalaureate. **Right:** Tim Barrass relaxes during graduation speeches after four long years of hard work.

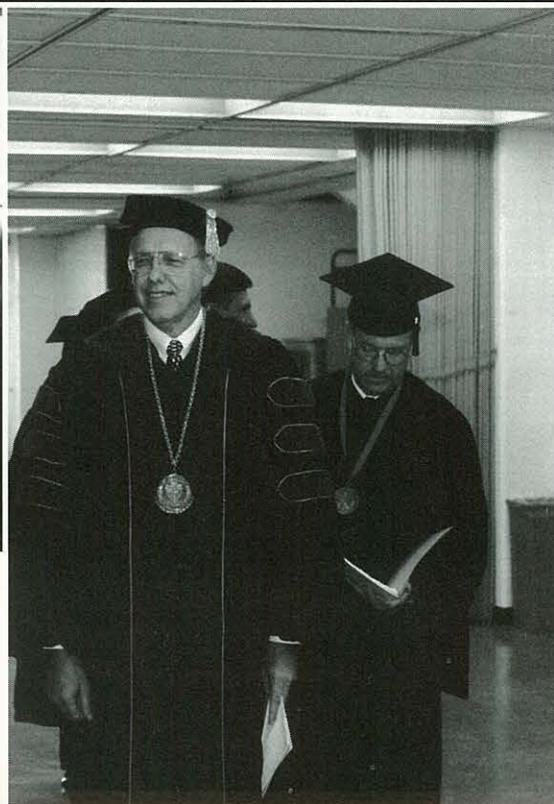
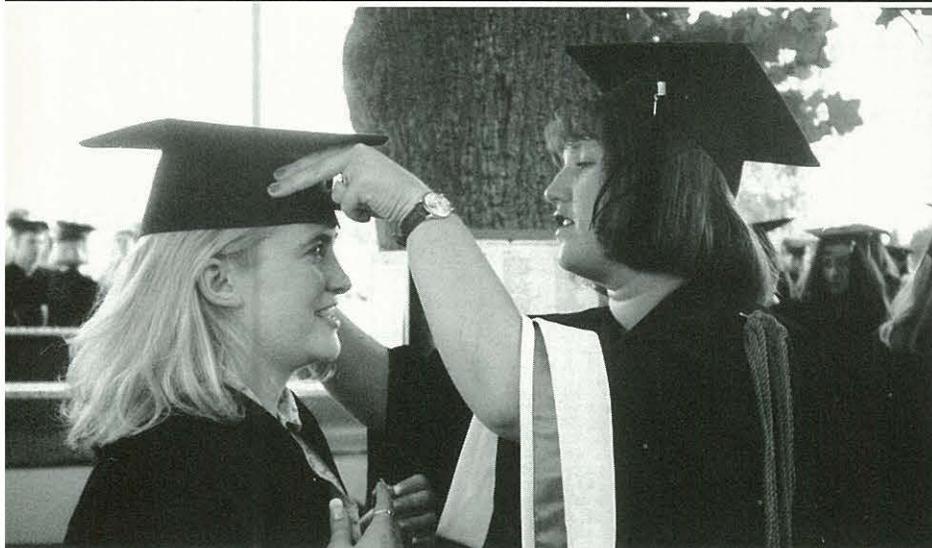


A time of celebration, the 83rd annual commencement convocation was held on the morning of the 12th of June in the Montgomery Field House. The opening prayer was led by Carrol Warwick, father of graduating senior Ryan Warwick. The celebration was further inspired by Crusader Choir's performance of "Wait on the Lord" under the direction of Professor Judy Sadler. President Hagood brought the commencement address and challenged the graduates to make a difference and to be a "lighthouse" in the world.

Following the inspiring words Hagood the retiring faculty, Dr. Ken Hills and Dr. Hal Weber were recognized with a brief ceremony and a few words of thanks from the NNC community. Then one by one all of NNC's graduates were called to the platform and were recognized for their completion of their degree. As each graduate's name was called friends

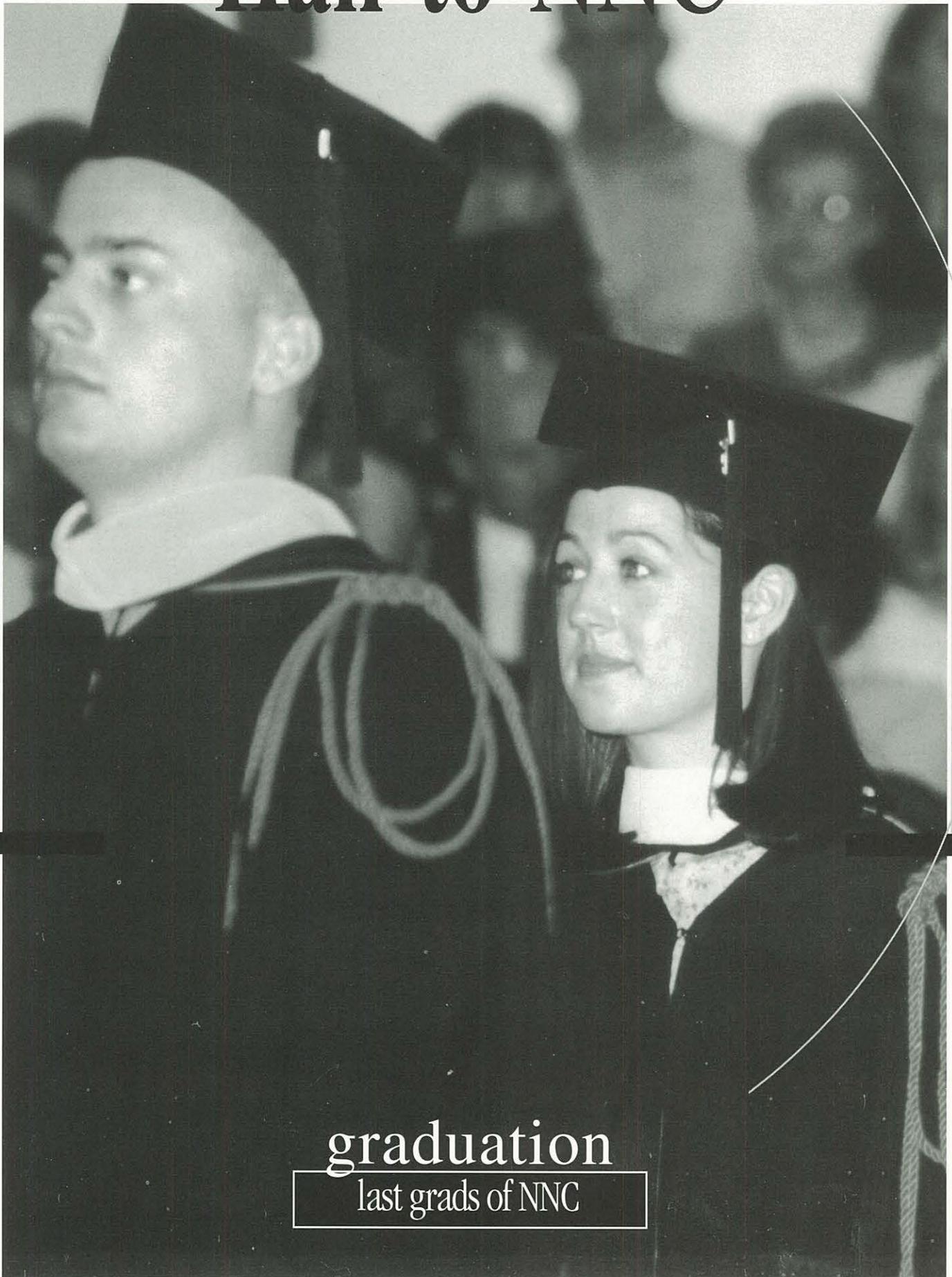
and family cheered with joy and scrambled for the best pictorial opportunity. NNC conferred numerous degrees ranging from traditional bachelors degrees to honorary doctoral degrees. A Doctorate of Humane Letters was conferred upon Trude L. Conrad, and a Doctorate of Divinity was conferred upon Ronald K. Kratzer.

The 1999 baccalaureate and commencement were memorable not only for the degrees awarded and the honors received, but also for the place of the moment in the lives of NNC graduates. Many will remember this weekend as an important time they were together with friends and family, while others will see it a milestone in their journey through life and career. Whatever the memory, graduation 1999 was indeed a very special weekend in the continuing life of the NNC community.



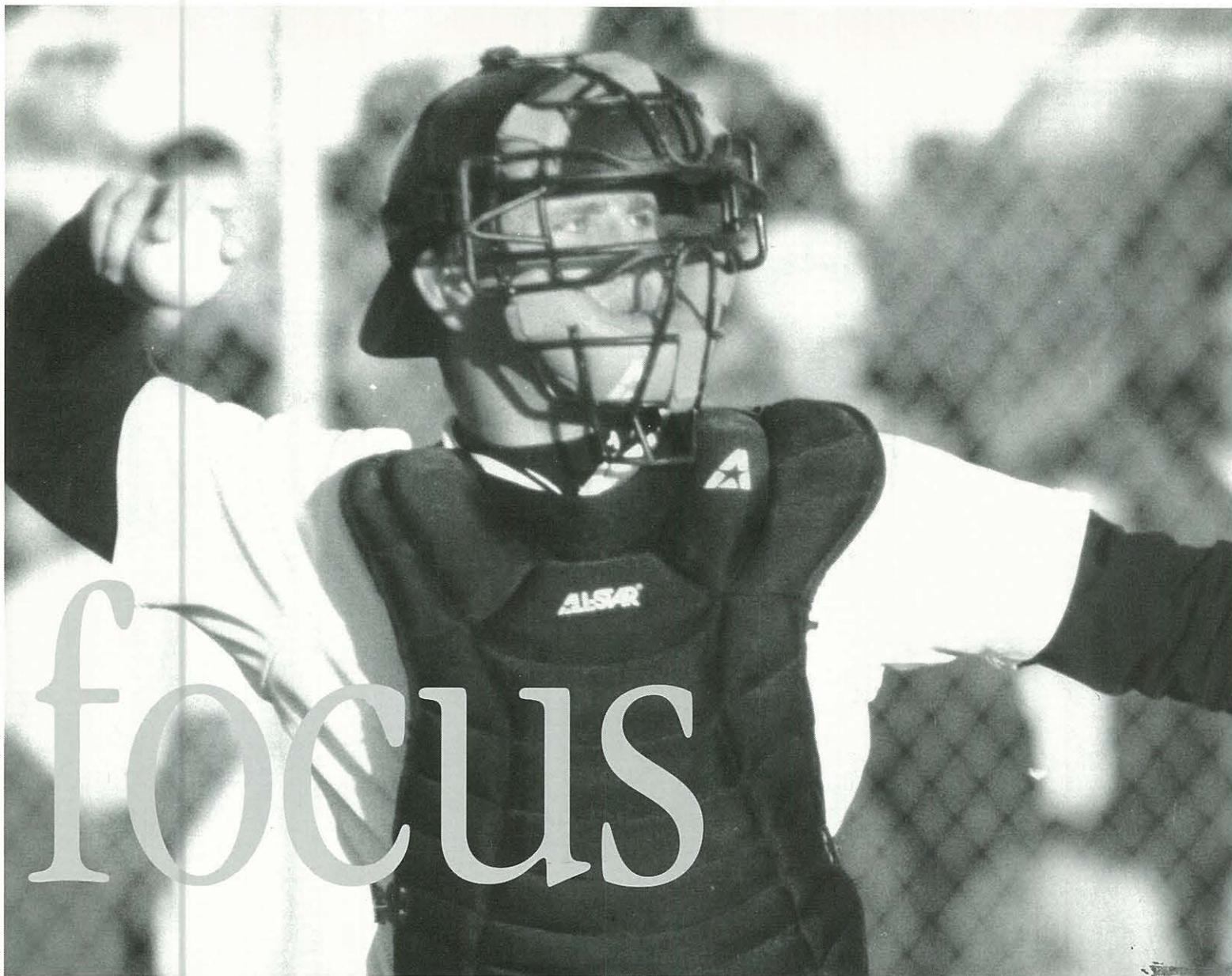
Top: Almost ready for their trip to Europe, Crusader Choir members, Deniece Miller, Deborah Roemhildt, April Supina, John Redfield, David Stillman, Jeanine Riggs, Brian Staffenson, Al Ellis, Kelli Westmark, Jeremy Henderson, Alysha Van Hooser, Debra Ellis, Charmine St. Clair, Jodie Yoder. **Above Left:** Jennifer Coles Hill helps Shellie Engel adjust her cap before the Baccalaureate Service on Friday, June 11. **Right:** Members of the platform crew, Dr. Richard Hagood, Dr. Samuel Dunn, and Mr. Monte Chitwood wait in the lobby for their entrance.

Hail to NNC



graduation
last grads of NNC

Jason Pepperd and Dawnell Perry wait in line to receive their diplomas during the commencement exercises held in the Montgomery Field House on Saturday morning, June 12.

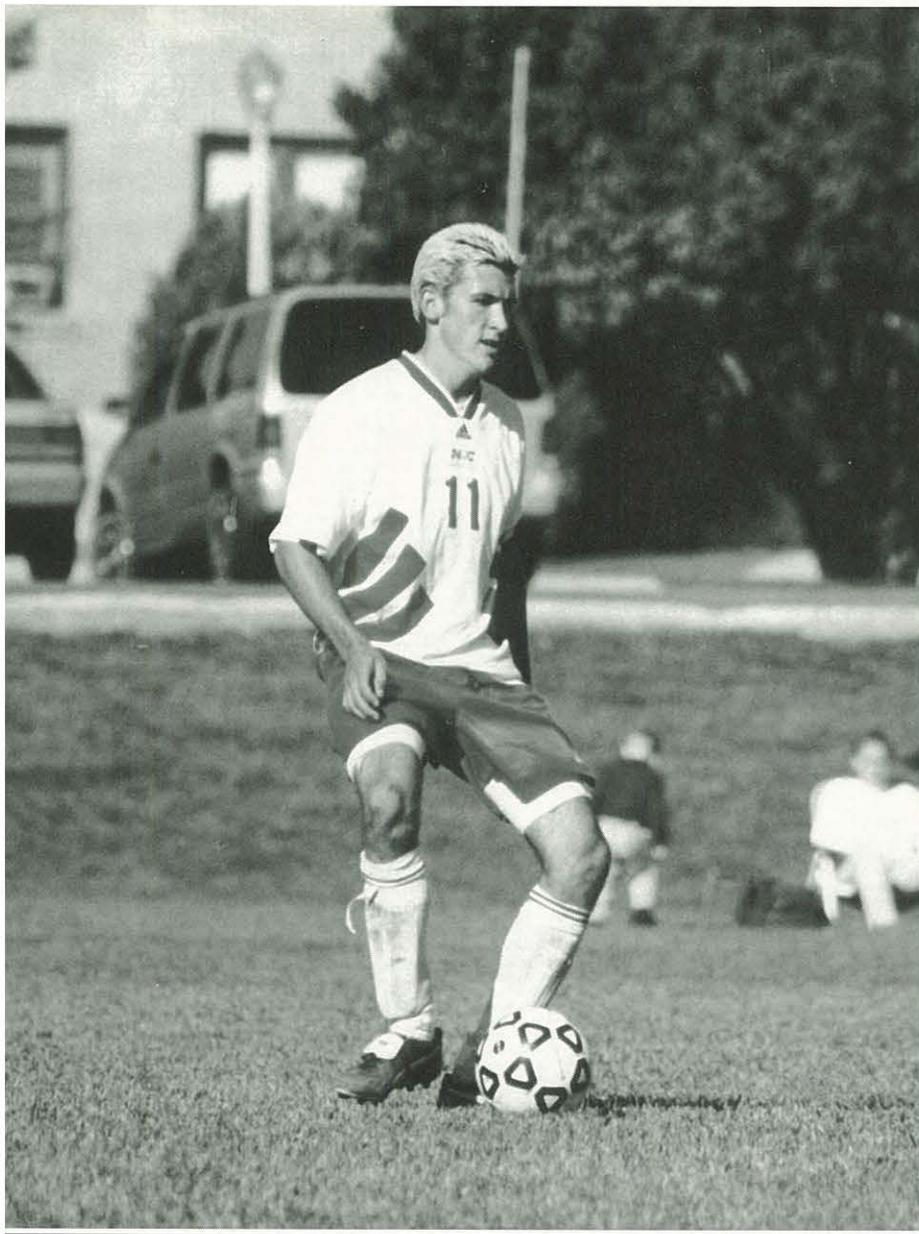


focus

on sports

Above: Catcher Matt Onofrei returns the ball during a home match against Eastern Oregon. Onofrei was a transfer student from San Diego and was a strong hitter as well as an excellent catcher. **Above Right:** Jeremy Keating dribbles the ball down the field during a home match. **Right:** Tennis ladies Brandi Blacklock, Kristen Crawford, Keri Barnes, Betsy Smith, and Stacia Hinson relax after practice. **Far Right:** Mindy Gibbens and Amy Parsons work the ball down the field during a match against Concordia.





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Opponent	Score
Northwest College	3-0
Carroll College	3-0
George Fox University	3-2
Albertson College	3-0
Lewis-Clark State	3-1
Eastern Oregon	3-0
Concordia	3-0
Northwest College	3-0
St. Martin's	2-2
Southern Oregon	3-2
Oregon Tech	3-0
Montana Tech	3-0
Western Montana	3-0
Westminister College	3-0
Western Baptist	2-3
Cascade College	3-0
Albertson	3-0
Northwest College	3-1
Concordia	2-1
Eastern Oregon	3-0
Concordia U.	3-0
Houston Baptist	2-1
The Master's College	3-0
St. Edwards College	1-3
Cascade College	2-1
Western Baptist	3-1
Southern Oregon	3-1
Oregon Tech	3-0

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

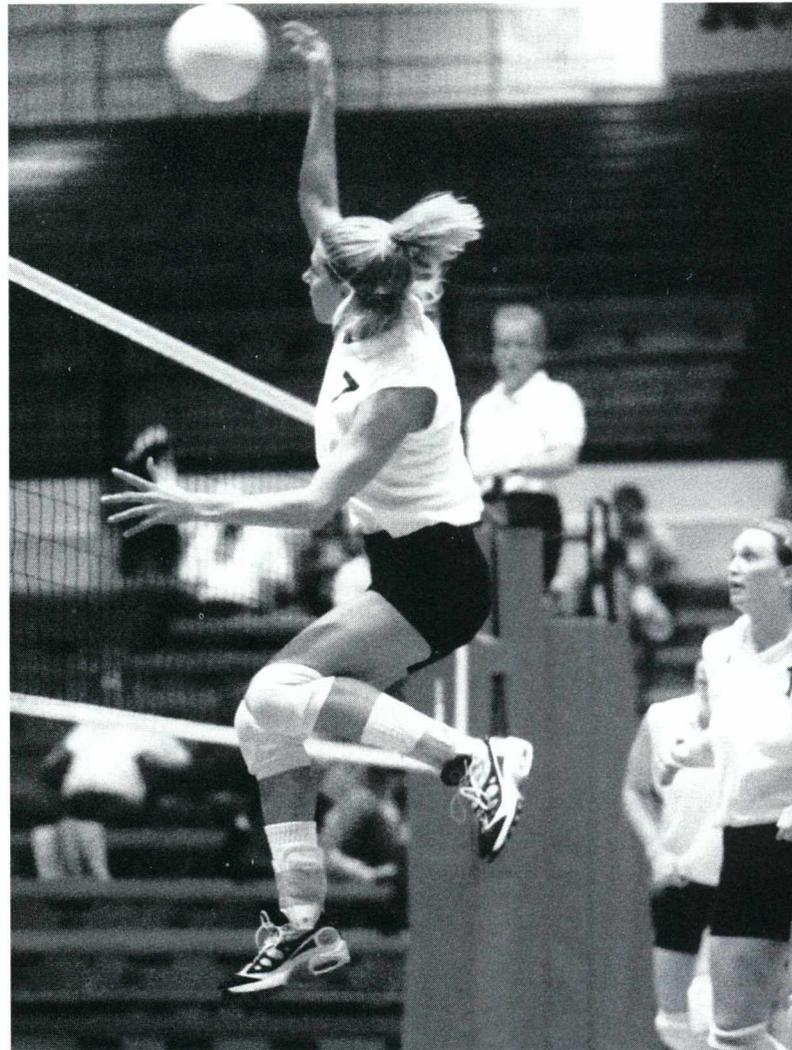
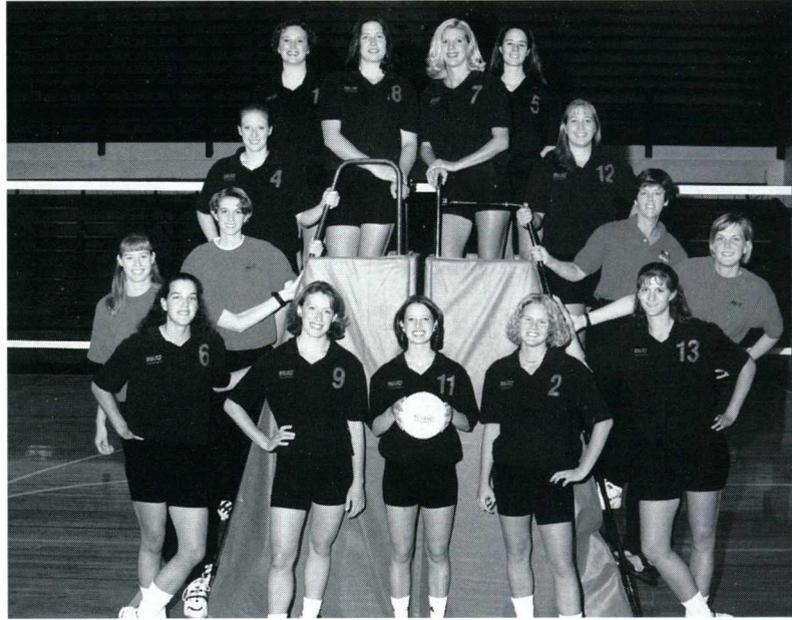
POINT OF VIEW

"The feeling of Nationals is dazzling, and a limousine ride to the banquet began it all."

- Sarah Menard

"I thought it was very challenging to work with the team and to find my position. But it was fun, and I loved it."

- Rachel Roberts

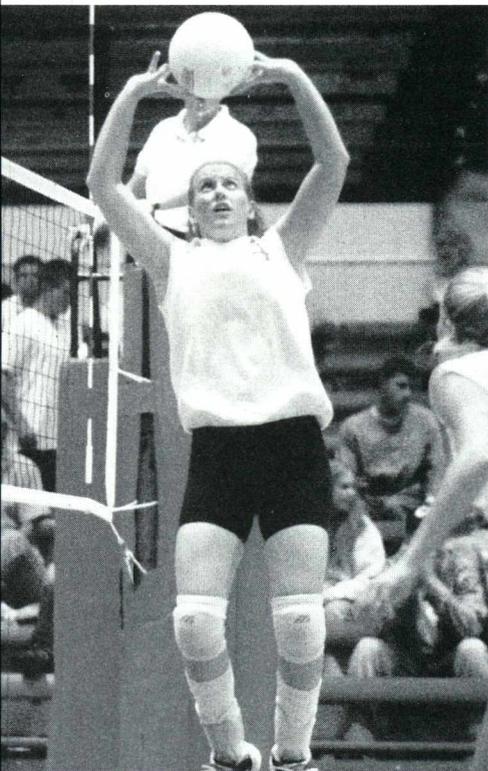


Front: Erin Hellberg, Sarah Menard, Nancy York, Angie Westerberg, Michelle Phillips.
Back: Patty Nottingham (Assistant Coach), Stephanie Skeen (Manager), Lisa Erickson, Jessica Ackley, Tabitha Shipman, Liz Benear, Rachel Roberts, Mindy John, Darlene Brasch (Head Coach), Tricia Anderson (Assistant Coach).

Poised mid-air, Liz Benear makes a fanatastic kill. Benear, while in the capacity of middle blocker, proved to be a key player for NNC during her college career (bottom).

A DREAM COME T R U E

...s said that Wheaties is the breakfast of champions; if this is the case, then there
no doubt that Wheaties was the breakfast choice of NNC's 1998 women's
volleyball team. From start to finish, their season was markedly the best NNC
s seen. It boasted many accomplishments, both for the team as a whole and
its thirteen members. When asked about the season, new recruit Erin
llberg stated, "It was very exciting coming into a strong program and being
e to contribute to it." Much of the season's success can be attributed to the
nd formed between the players. Middle blocker Michelle Phillips said, "It was

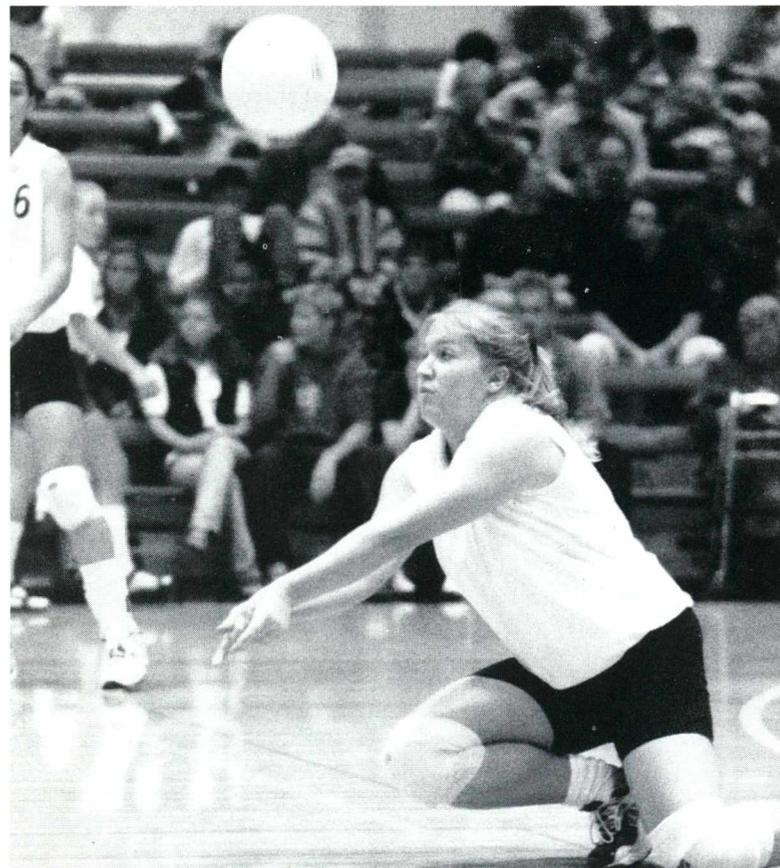
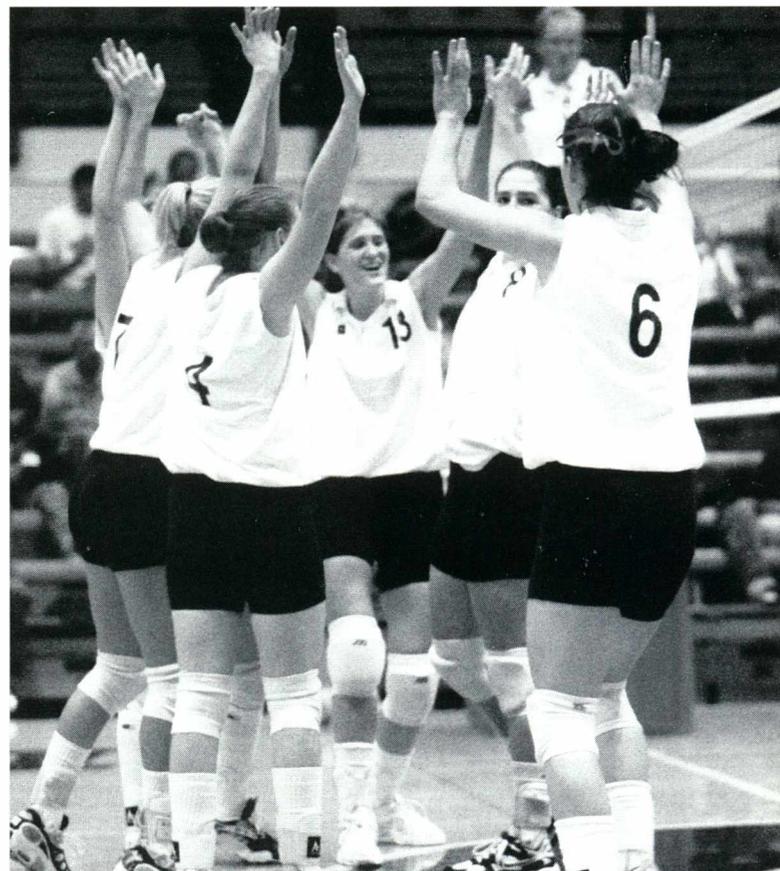


...a Erickson focuses on her attention on the ball as she
s it up for her teammate, Liz Benear. Erickson was
cribed by coach Brasch as "a fierce competitor."

...iddle blocker, and Lisa Erickson, setter, were nominated as All-Tournament
ections. Benear received All-American honors and was first in the nation with the
ghest kill average per contest. For head coach Darlene Brasch, the season
arked her tenth year of coaching women's volleyball at NNC. She commented,
bviously, it was the best season for me, as a coach, and for NNC."

a really fun season - better
than last year simply
because I knew more
people. The girls defi-
nitely clicked better this
year."

The crowning point of
the season occurred when
the volleyball team par-
ticipated in the national
conference, held in
Kankakee, Illinois. There,
the team earned the sec-
ond highest ranking in
the nation. Liz Benear,



"Congratulations are in order" as the women's volleyball team celebrates yet
another victory. In regard to the 1998 season, Brasch said, "There was great team
chemistry this year, and I think that is what made the difference" (top).

Always prepared, Mindy John drops to her knees to return a ball. John, hailing from
Walla Walla Community College, brought new strength to the team as an outside hitter
(bottom).

SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
University of Mary	3-3 (2 OT)
National American	1-5
Gonzaga	0-3
Whitworth	0-4
University of Idaho	0-4
Boise State	1-4
Albertson	10-1
Evergreen State	1-0
Evergreen State	2-1 (OT)
Simon Fraser	1-5
Western Oregon	2-6
Western Baptist	2-3
Albertson	6-0
Cascade	2-0
Concordia	0-4
Western Oregon	1-3
Western Baptist	1-3
Concordia	0-5
Cascade	2-1 (OT)
Albertson	4-0

POINT OF VIEW

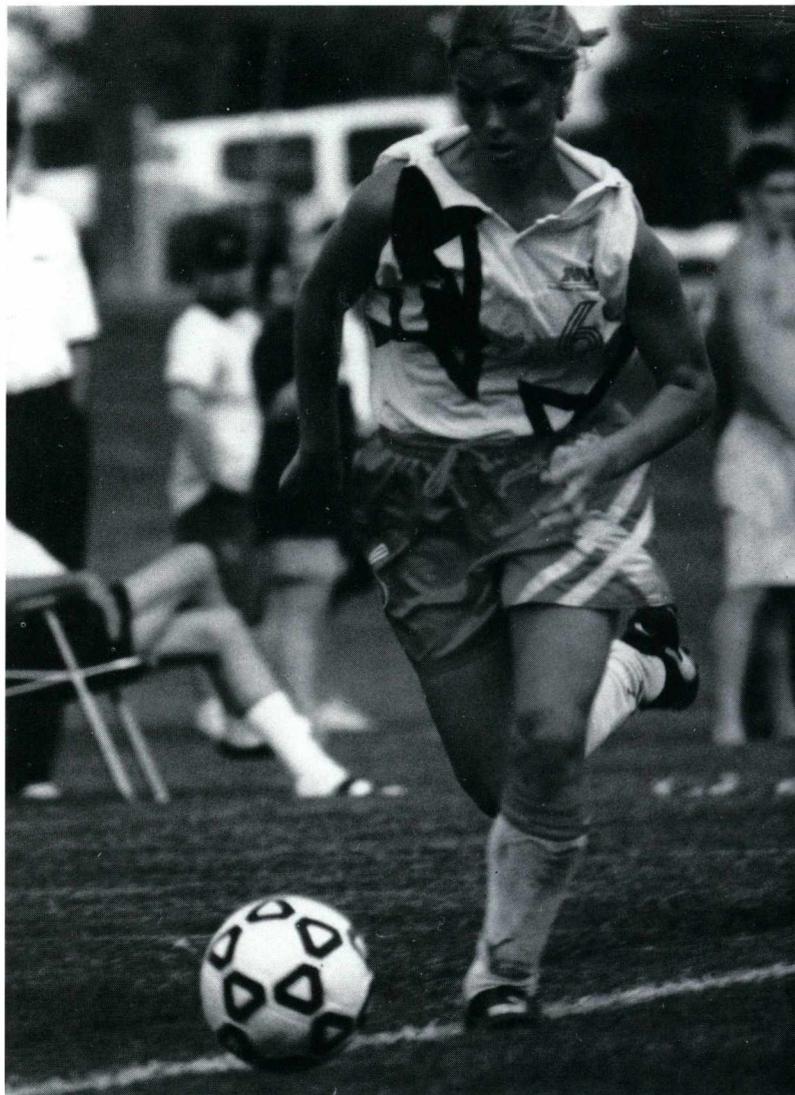
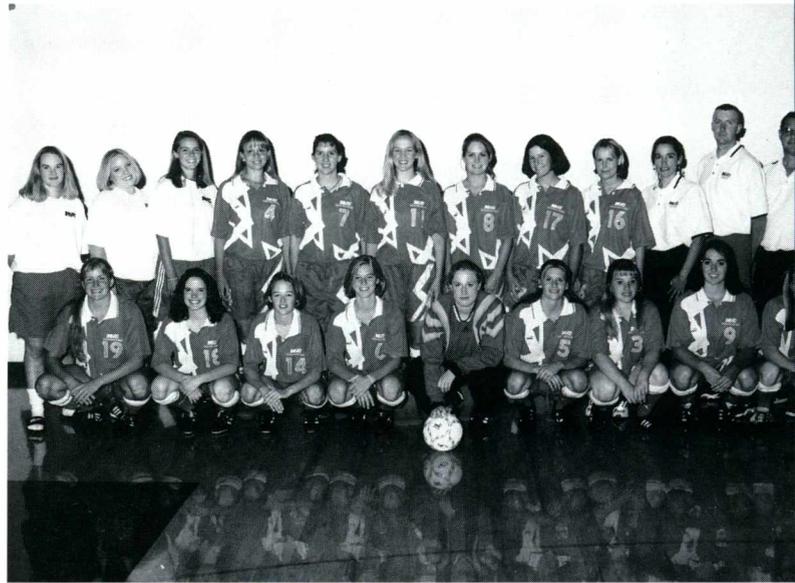
"I think we had a pretty good season considering this was only the team's second year of competition. As a team, we proved a lot, and I think that even more is expected of us for next year."

- Mindy Gibbens

"Being a second year, I feel we improved a lot this year. By putting heart and strength into each game, we proved we are getting better. It was good to beat Albertson each time we played them this year, where we didn't beat them at all last year. All had a good time winning and it felt good to win."

- Jamie Swanson

WOMEN'S SOCCER

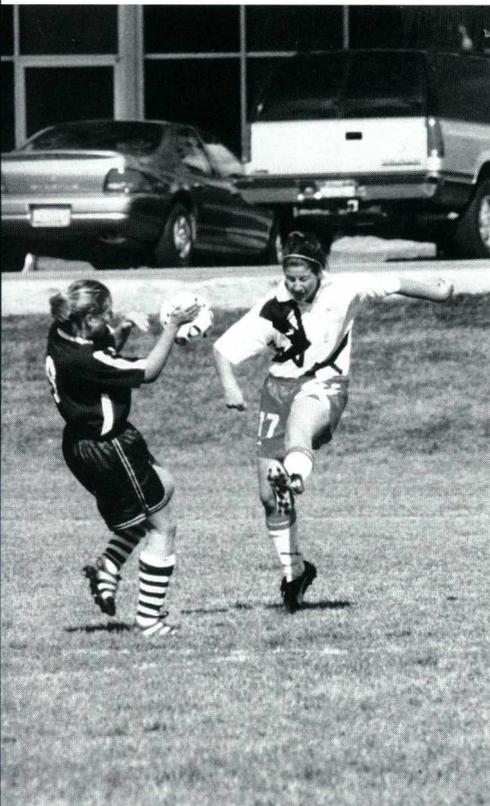


Front: Sarah Hughes, Denise Thuline, Amy Parsons, Mindy Gibbens, Carrie Seaney, Emily Rogers, Jennifer Edmonds, Melanie Hays, Beth Nixon. Back: Anna Ganske, Amber Welsh, Jayme Mottram, Angela Smith, Kristal Watson, Kacy Madsen, Jamie Swanson, Nicole Arseneault, Carey-Jean Laird, Assistant Coach Wendy Taylor, Assistant Coach Willie Taylor, Coach Jim Lang.

Determined to make a goal, Mindy Gibbens gives it her all.

WE'VE ONLY JUST B E G U N

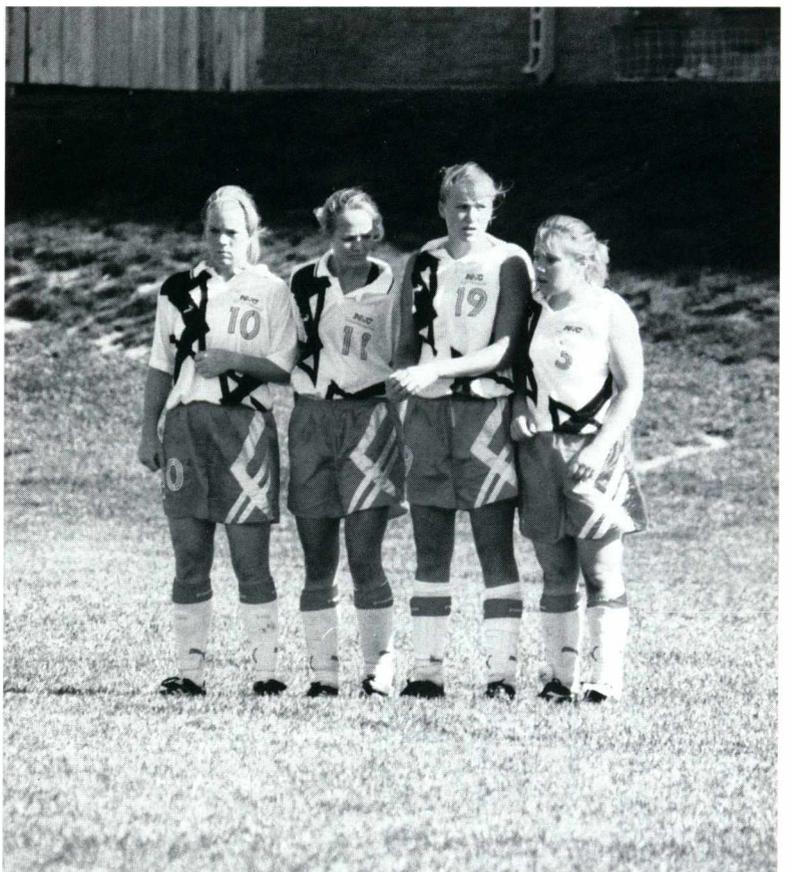
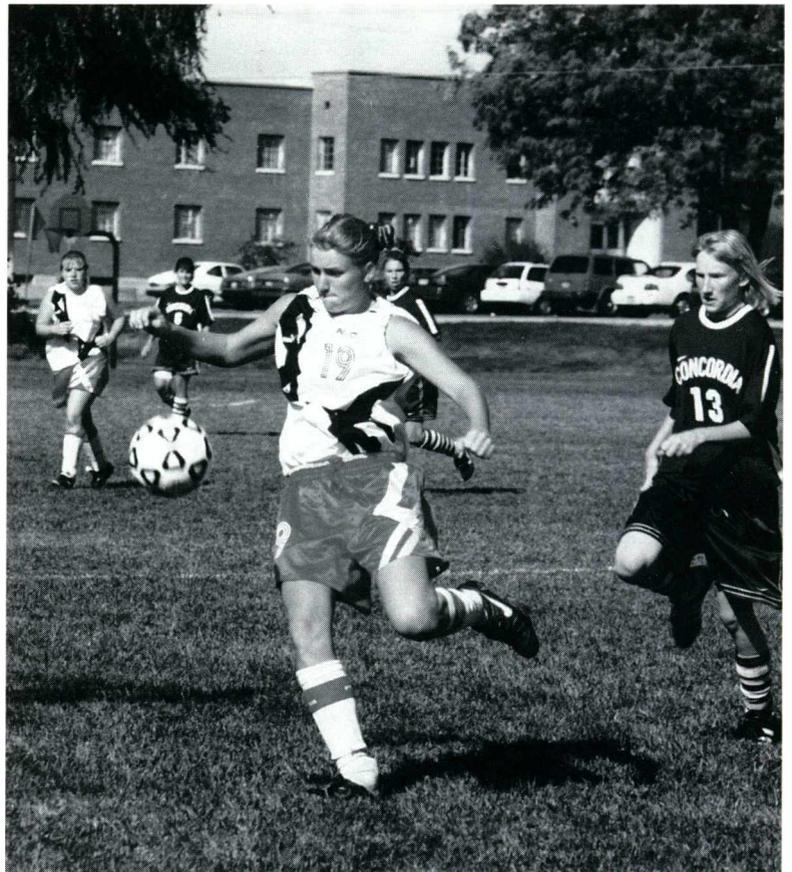
"We've only just begun." Although a sentiment from the Carpenters, NNC's women's soccer team could very well have sung the same tune. Throughout the 1998-99 season, the players' performance forecasted a powerful future, and one kicked to the gills with promise. With a team consisting of eight freshmen (two of these were red shirts), four sophomores, and three juniors, some fans viewed the team's youth as a disadvantage; however, the team members recognized the opportunity given to them. Sophomore Beth Nixon described the



Michelle Arsenault displays high-powered form as she kicks ball.

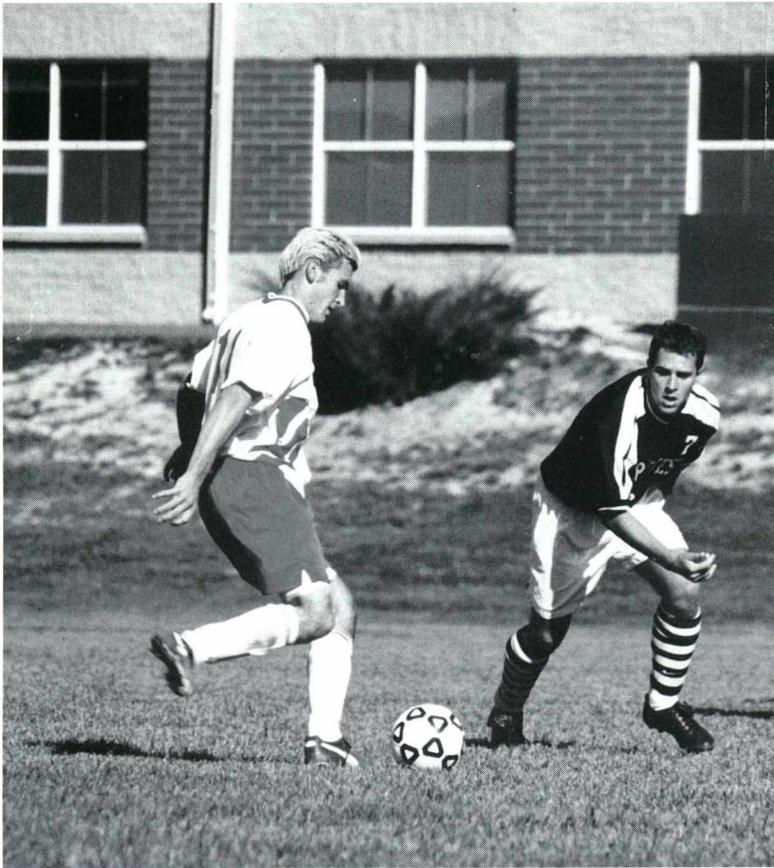
three-and-a-half shutouts, and Jamie Swanson ended her season with seven assists. In regard to the new records, Coach Jim Lang stated, "We're going to have to rewrite the record book after this year. This team has won more games in one season than all six previous NNC teams have won put together. We just keep getting better."

year as "a building year with a lot of improvements. Next year, we'll be as strong." Teammate Kacy Madsen agreed with Nixon, "A lot of new and talented players joined the team this year. We have a lot of growing to do together as a team, and we have a lot of potential." The season also celebrated several new records for the team. Carrie Seaney had



Sarah Hughes goes for the goal in a game against Concordia (top).

Beth Nixon, Kacy Madsen, Sarah Hughes, and Jennifer Edmonds contemplate their next moves (bottom).



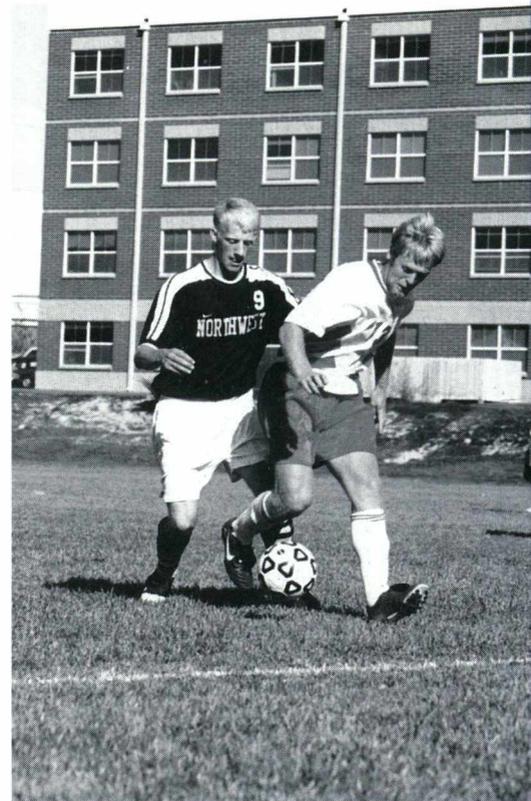
Charlie Laird, focused on winning the game, takes control of the ball (top).

Jeremy Keating, who served as a team captain, goes for the goal in a game against Northwest (bottom).

A RECORD MAKING SEASON

Bring out your couches and put on all the red and black you can find, the NNC men have a soccer game! The soccer team had a fantastic season this year. They won the Les Schwab Tournament for the first time since 1987, when it began. Five team members made all-conference teams. Jeremy Klosterman broke the school record of shut-outs when he took over as full-time goalie. And for the first time in 18 years, the team went to play-offs. "It was really great to end my senior year by going to the play-offs. The team was great this year, and they should just get better," said Joel Spencer.

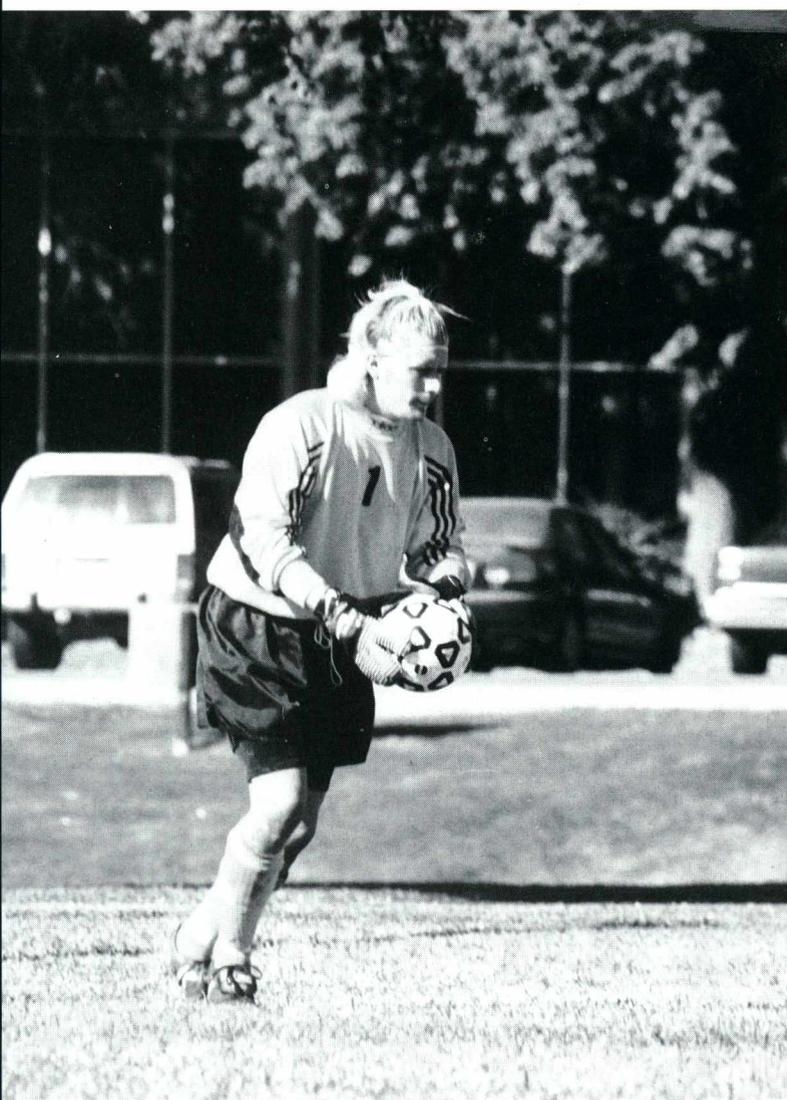
A new member of the team was Coach Joe Pearson. This was his first full year in the role of head coach after taking over halfway through the season last year. "He knew what we needed, but he was still laid back," said Joe Pelton. "The leadership of Charlie (Laird), (Jeremy) Keating, and (Coach) Pearson



Scott Strobel sneaks the ball from under a Northwest opponent's nose.

really made the team what it was this year," Pelton added. Justin Metzger reminisced, "What I liked most was the excitement of overtime games. We had four of them, and when you finally win and hear the screams of the crowd it gives you such an adrenaline rush. I like the dog piles in the middle of the field too." The team enjoyed its fan support, and sent a special thank you to the women's soccer team and Jeff Dillbeck for their major support.

MEN'S SOCCER



Front: Jason Drahn, Coy Anglin, Jake Proffitt, Sarawit Hailu, Jacob Bear, Trevor Boneberg, Samuel Horney, Ryan Barker, Jason Gingerich, Ken Turner.
Back: Coach Joe Pearson, Sony Pierre-Andre, Trevor Mordhorst, Jon Pereira, Lenny Foster, Joe Milton, Charlie Laird, Scott Strobel, Jeremy Keating, Justin Metzger, Aaron Metzger, Jeremy Klosterman. Not pictured: Asst. Coach Mike Wood, Brad Parsons, Joel Spencer.

Making sure nothing gets past him, Jeremy Klosterman tosses the ball back in the game.

SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
National American	0-8
Colorado Christian	1-5
Biola University	1-3
Westminster College	0-5
Cal St. Monterey Bay	3-0
Evergreen State	1-2
Evergreen State	3-0
Utah State	1-2
Westminster College	1-0
Albertson	3-2
Albertson	1-0
Concordia	0-2
Western Baptist	2-3
Cascade	2-1
Northwest	1-2
Albertson	4-4
Concordia	1-0
Western Baptist	4-3
Northwest	4-2
Cascade	1-3

POINT OF VIEW

"We had a lot of talent. It took a while for us to pull it together, but it was the best team we have had in years."

- Jason Drahn

"Although we started out kind of slow and had a big learning experience in South Dakota, we didn't let it get us down. Everyone had a positive attitude, and we set reachable, attainable goals and met them."

- Scott Strobel

SCOREBOARD

Championship powder puff team

"THE HUSTLERS"

Keri Barnes, Melanie Hays, Stacia Hinson, Sarah Hughes, Kacy Madsen, Jayme Mottram, Beth Nixon, Amy Parsons, Kim Phillips, Carrie Seaney, Angie Smith, and Denise Thuline. Coached by: Kevin Allen, Mark Boothby, Sanchai Dean, Chris Field, and Matt Freeby.

Championship flag football team

"THE MEAN MACHINE"

Shawn Blenker, Brian Bohner, Jeremy Glassco, John Greentree, Jeff Kern, Jody Lanham, Eric Manley, Brian Porterfield, Jeremy Schwab, Derick Staffenson, Travis Toews, B.J. Van Manen, and Ken Wells. Coached by: Linc Loeber.

Kings of the Court

Carey Cook, Mark Pounds, Michael Ratcliffe, and Ken Wells.

Queens of the Court

Keri Barnes, Beth Nixon, Christi Tiel, and Jill Willey.

4 on 4 Co-ed

Volleyball Champions

Shanda Elwood, Raul Flores, Doug Kenoyer, Jeremy Klosterman, Chris Niehaus, and Sarah Turner.

POINT OF VIEW

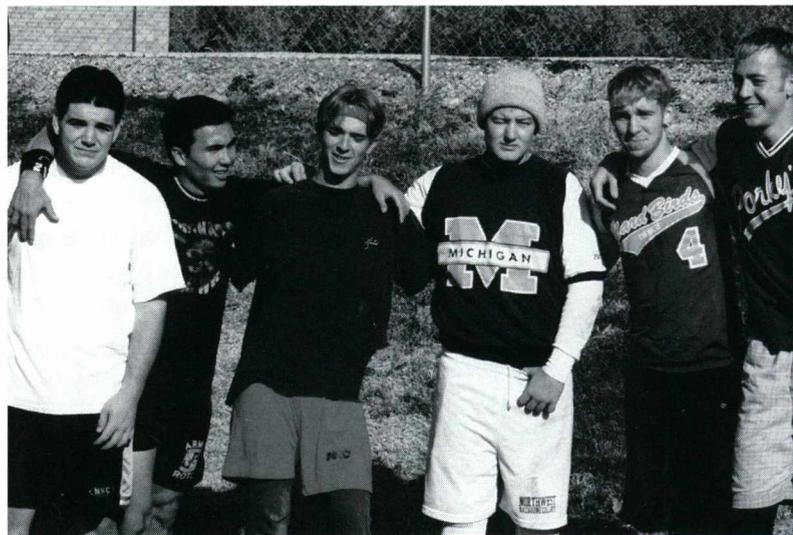
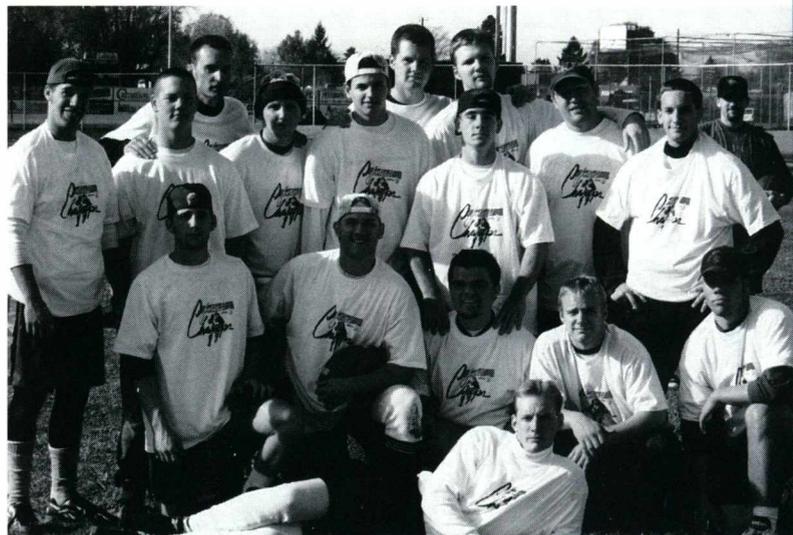
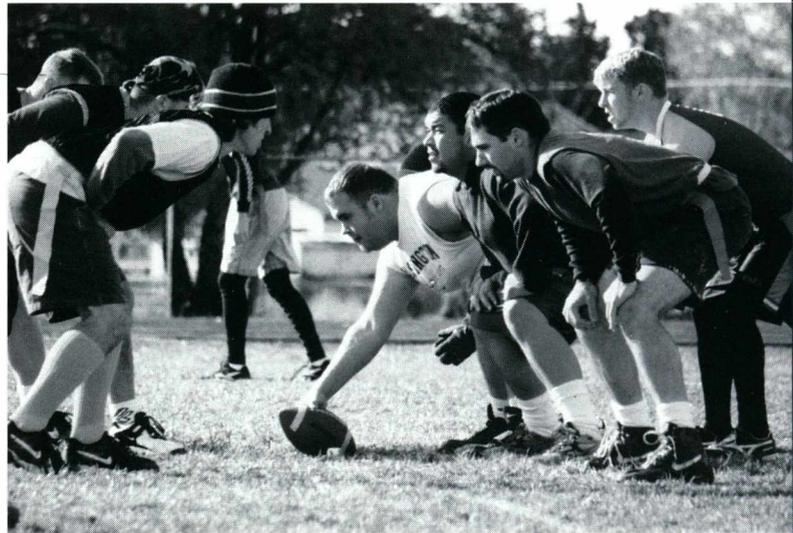
"I had a lot of fun. Since there were three teams there was a lot of competition, especially from the Hootchie Mamas, but our team (The Hustlers), the best team, dominated."

-Sarah Hughes

"This was definitely a good year; the competition was furious. Our team (the Mean Machine) went in as the underdogs, but facts are facts, and the best team prevailed."

-Shawn Blenker

FALL INTRAMURALS



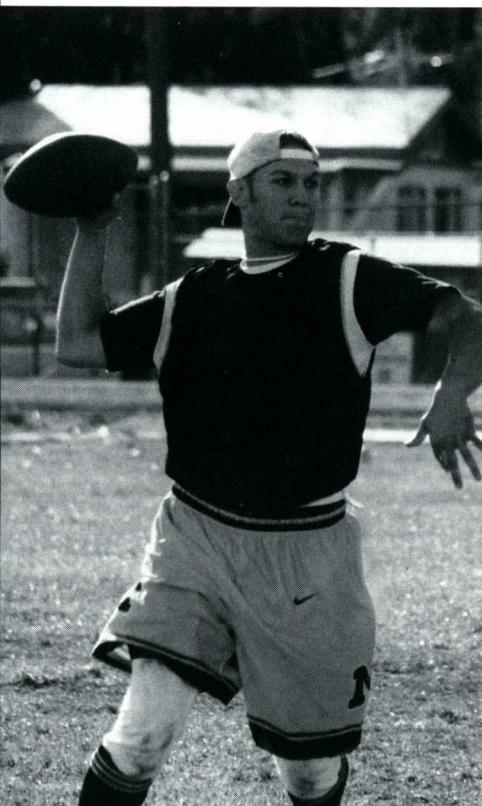
Chris Field, Ralph Johnson, Jeff Poe, and Kyle Fletcher of *Team Downie* stare down Matt Sanders, Jeff Hagemeyer, and Mike Nelson of *Team Ledbatter*, and get ready for a rumble (top).

"Mean Machine" wear their shirts with pride after they show everyone who was the masters of the field (middle).

Tim Barrass, Sanchai Dean, Mike Mitterholzer, Geoff Parker, Kyle Fletcher, and Dean Hull find intramurals a time to enjoy each other's company (bottom).

FUTURE HALL-OF-FAMERS

What do you get when you combine 12 girls, 5 guys, and a ball? Powder Puff football! This year's competition was just that, a competition. Although there were only three teams, they all wanted the title and they played like it. Kacy Jensen, a member of the winning team (The Hustlers) reminisced, "There was one game where we were working really hard. During the game, a girl from the other team, which seemed to have about half the school on it, tried to get the ball away from my teammate, Melanie Hays. The other girl thought it would be fun

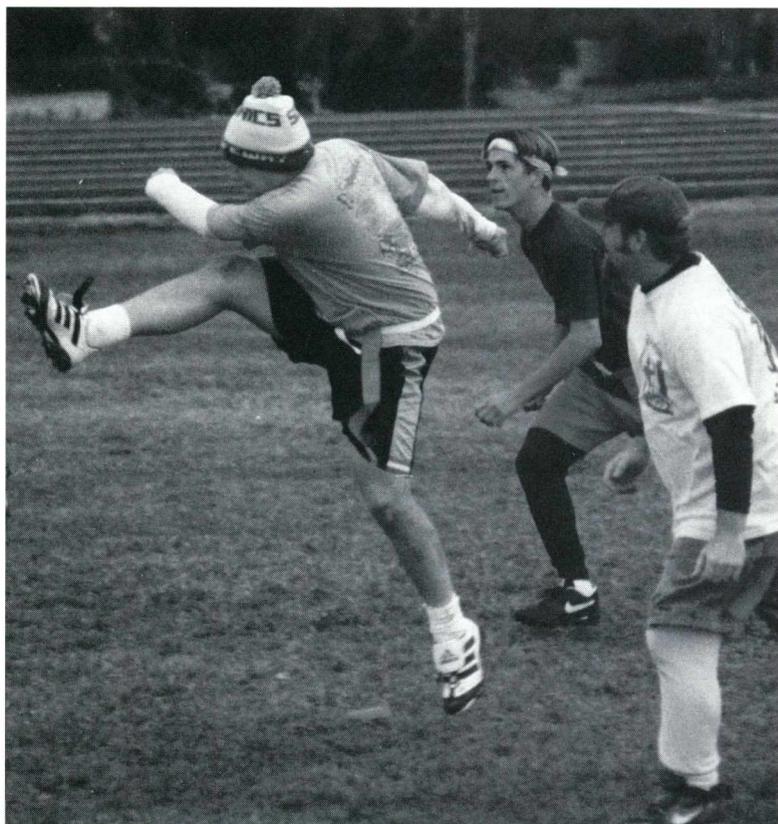
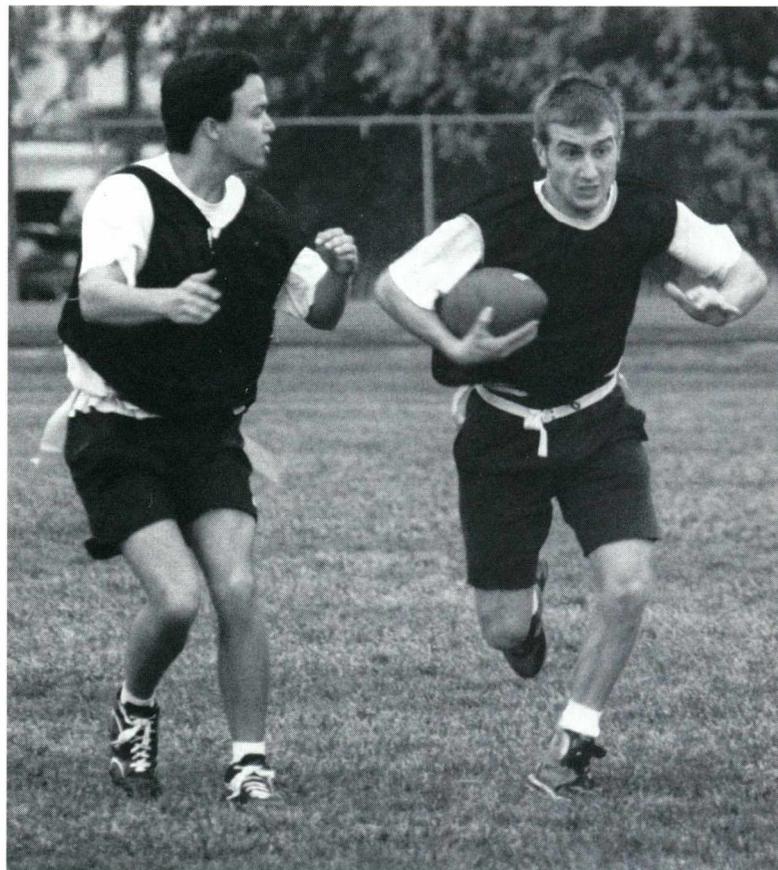


Jeremy Schwab carefully aims and passes the football to his teammates in hopes of a goal.

to hit Melanie in the face with her head. As Melanie finished the game with a black eye and a throbbing cheek bone, the girl from the other team went to the hospital. I think that, to this day, Melanie's face still hurts sometimes." One of the proud coaches of The Hustlers, Matt Freeby, commented, "I'm really proud of my team. In the two years they have been playing,

if I have been one of the coaches, they haven't been scored on."

In addition to powder puff football, other fall intramural sports included 4-on-4 coed volleyball, King and Queen of the Court, and the ever-popular men's flag football. "We tried to have Floor Hockey this year," added the Satta, the student intramural sports coordinator. "The Canadians signed off on the go figure."



Travis Lande runs with all his might to get the ball further down the field as Jeremy Smith watches for the 'enemy' (top).

Get that leg up higher! Jeremy Riehl kicks the ball high in the air with teammates Mike Mitterholtzer and Blair Hammer looking on (bottom).

POINT OF VIEW

“I really enjoyed our season this year”, we had a lot of success on the court, and we got along really well as a group off the court. We just had an awesome group of girls on the team, and I wouldn't trade my experiences this past year for anything.”

- Amber Hellberg

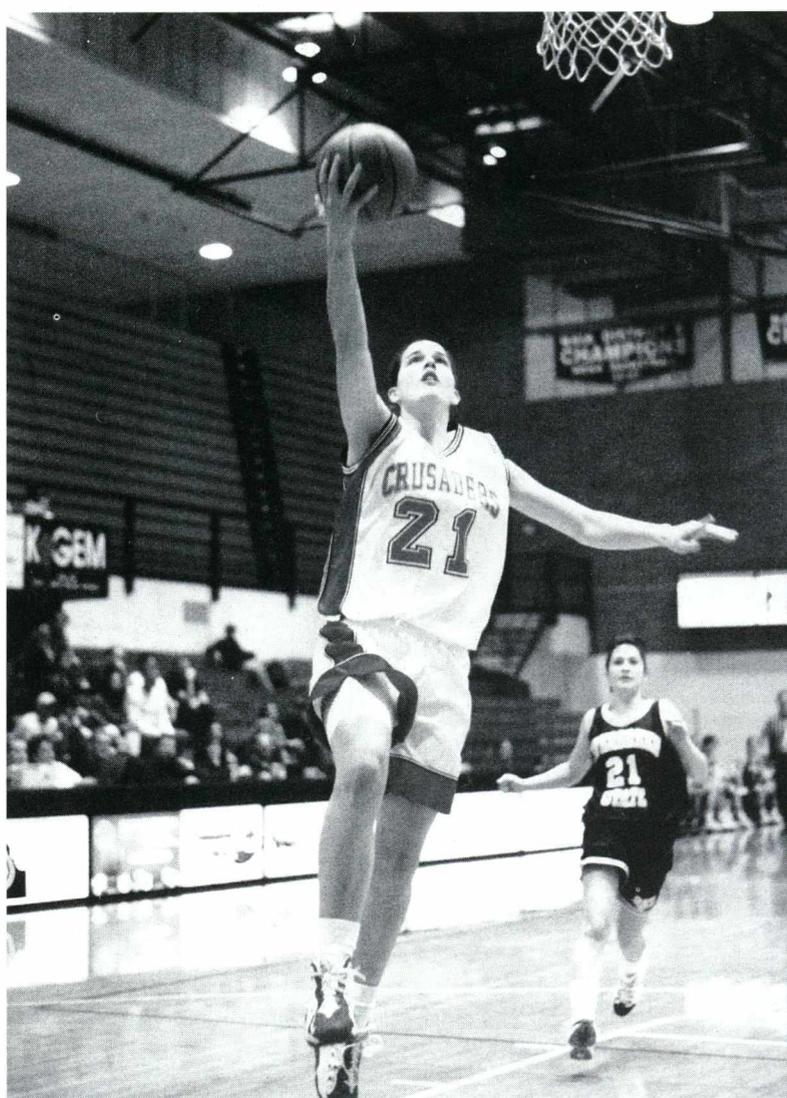
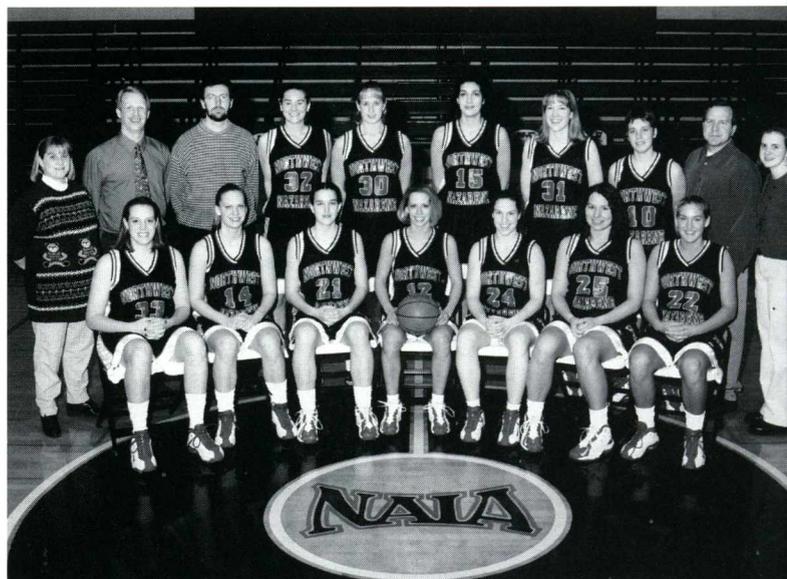
“I have never played with such a fun group of girls before and it made things easier for me, and I'm sure everybody else. We all got along so well through the whole six months of play, which made great team chemistry.”

- Staci Kirk

SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Carroll	64-72
Montana State Northern	57-75
U.S. Bank Tip-Off Tourn.	1st place
Western Montana	82-65
Saint Martin's	63-44
George Fox	67-61
Pacific Lutheran	59-55
Point Loma	81-59
Willamette	78-50
Pacific Lutheran	68-56
Carroll	56-53
Montana Tech	62-46
Azusa Pacific	71-66
Whittier College	73-34
Seattle Pacific	64-72
Western Montana Tourn.	1st place
Rocky Mountain	80-75
Western Montana	81-73
Southern Oregon	69-62
Eastern Oregon	67-60
Concordia	64-54
Western Baptist	53-52
Evergreen	61-37
Northwest	92-68
Western Baptist	65-46
Concordia	66-55
Northwest	84-49
Evergreen	77-45
Eastern Oregon	
Southern Oregon	
Albertson	
Albertson	
Cascade Conference Playoff	
NAIA Division II Tourn.	
Cascade Conference game	

WOMEN'S



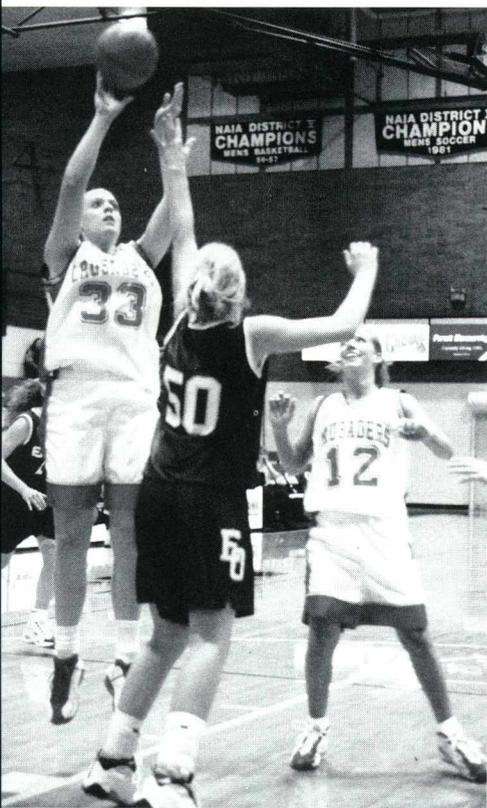
Front: Heather Doncaster, Alison Kirk, Amber Hellberg, Jessica Knowlton, Chelsey Hall, Staci Wilson, Rachele Geinger. Back: Assistant Coach Heather Becker, Coach Duane Slemmer, Assistant Coach Willie Taylor, Mary Glaze, Staci Kirk, Kasha Lawrence, Alison Graham, Anna Allen, Coach Roger Schmidt, Manager Kori Schmidt.

Amber Hellberg drives to the hoop for an easy lay-up. Hellberg's versatility was an integral asset for the team.

BASKETBALL

DREAM TEAM

am woman; hear me roar." A mighty roar echoed across NNC's campus as the 1998-99 women's basketball team made their presence known in the world of basketball. Spectators were reawakened to the sweet savor of victory as they witnessed the team's domination of both home and away courts. The women's basketball team proved that it was alive and well, consisting of talented players and a fiery spirit. The season's peak was the team's trip to Sioux City, Iowa, for the NAIA Division II National Tournament. As a result of that trip, the team placed tenth in the nation, ending with an overall record of 26-7. When asked about the

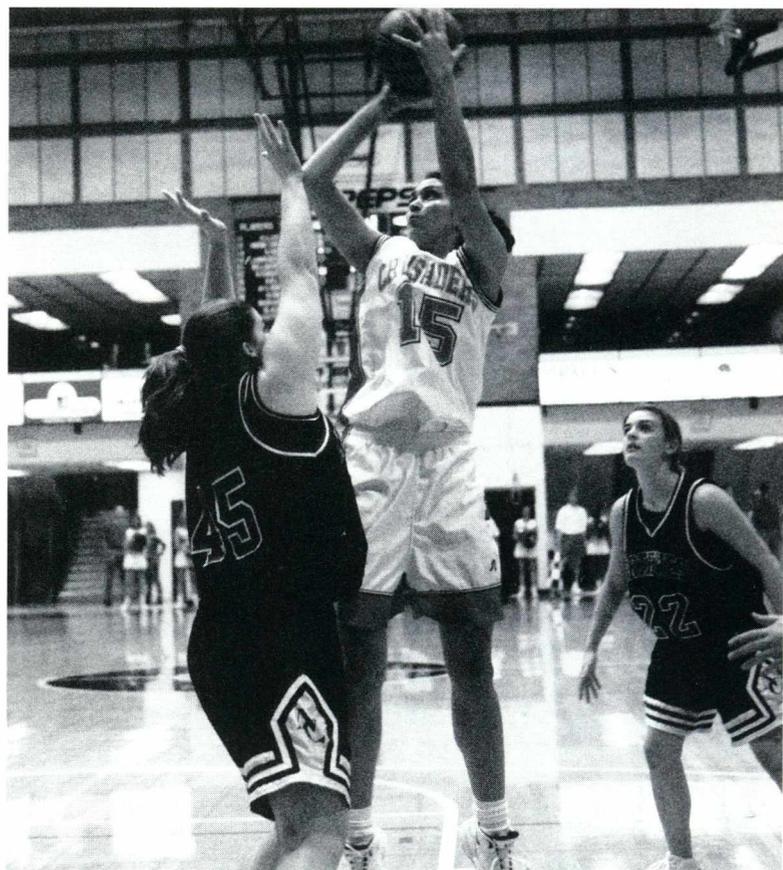
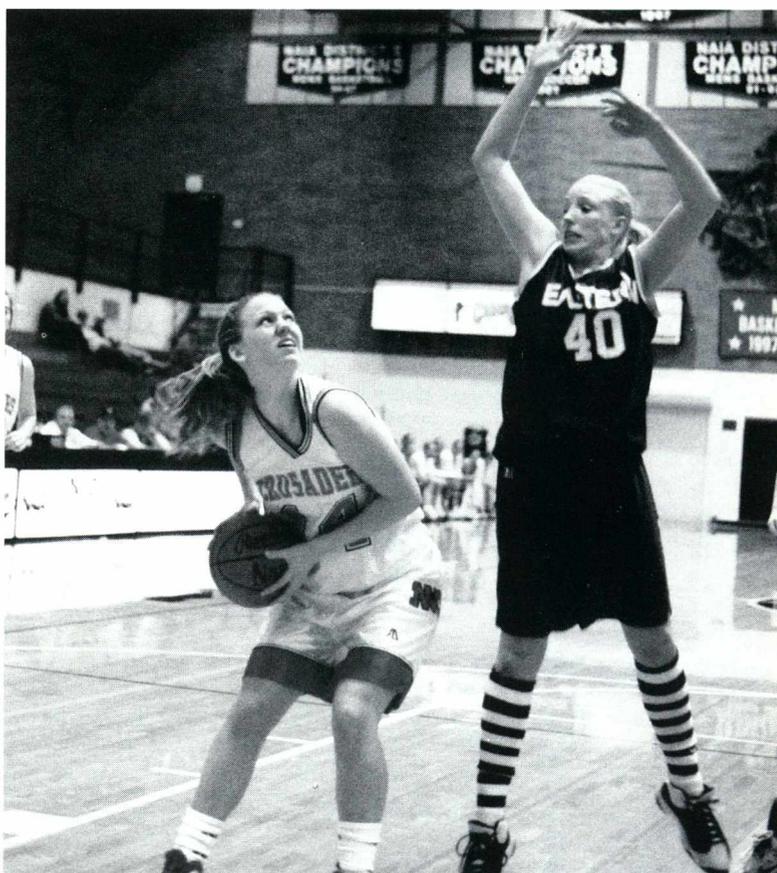


noting for the stars, Lady Crusader Heather Doncaster makes an effort to score. NNC ladies supported one another through teamwork and fellowship.

season, Freshman Anna Allen stated, "I have never played on a team like we had this year. Everyone got along on and off of the court. They say that 'a team should be like your second family,' and this team proved that statement to be true! This season was an awesome learning experience for me, and I can't wait for the next season to start!!"

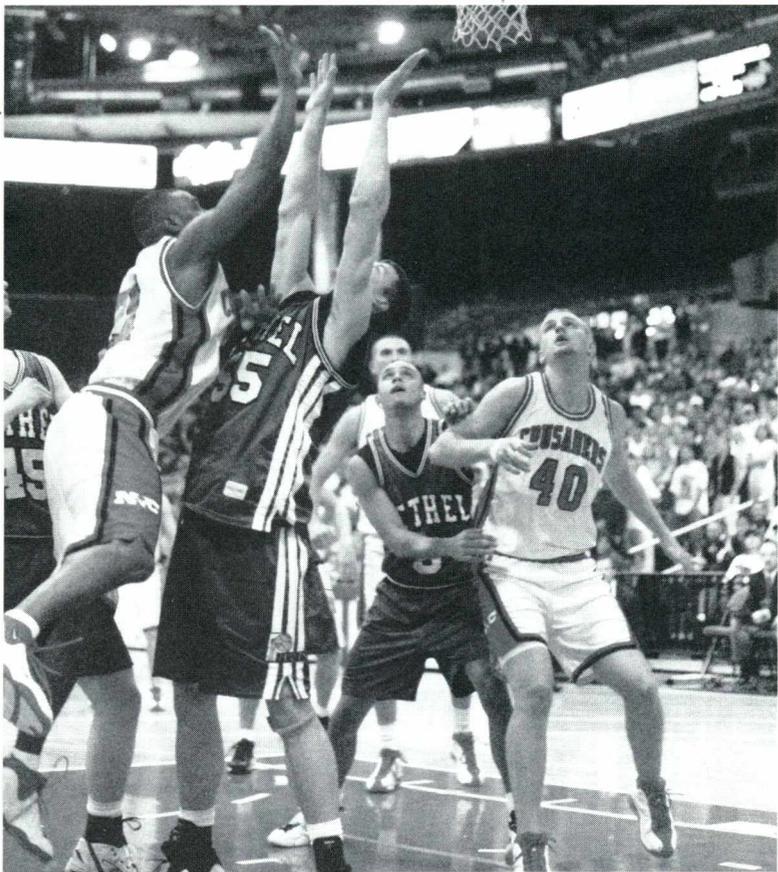
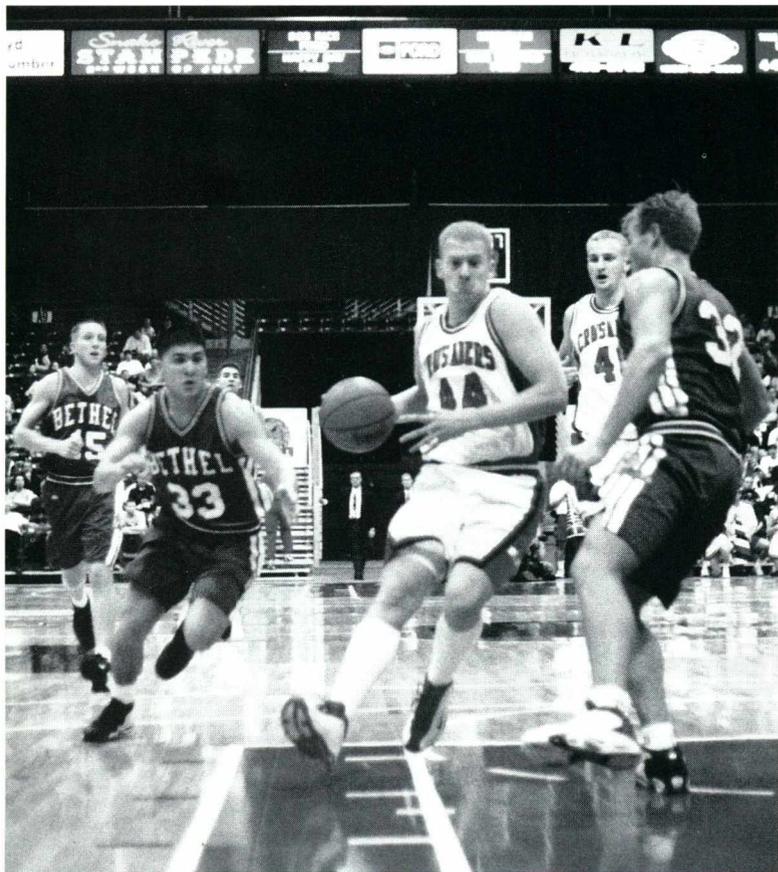
Mary Glaze, a transfer

from Grand Canyon University, also commented, "I really enjoyed being part of the 1998-99 Crusader's basketball team. For me, being on this team was about more than just basketball. It was about friendship and Christian fellowship, and it all has been a blessing from God." Head Coach Roger Schmidt described the team as being "a group of positive athletes who worked well with each other and enjoyed each other's friendship."



Alison Kirk fakes her defender in an effort to score. Kirk contributed to the tremendous team spirit of the team (top).

On her tippy toes, Kasha Lawrence taps the ball toward the basket. The NNC ladies journeyed to Sioux City, Iowa, to compete in the NAIA Basketball Tournament and finished tenth in the nation (bottom).



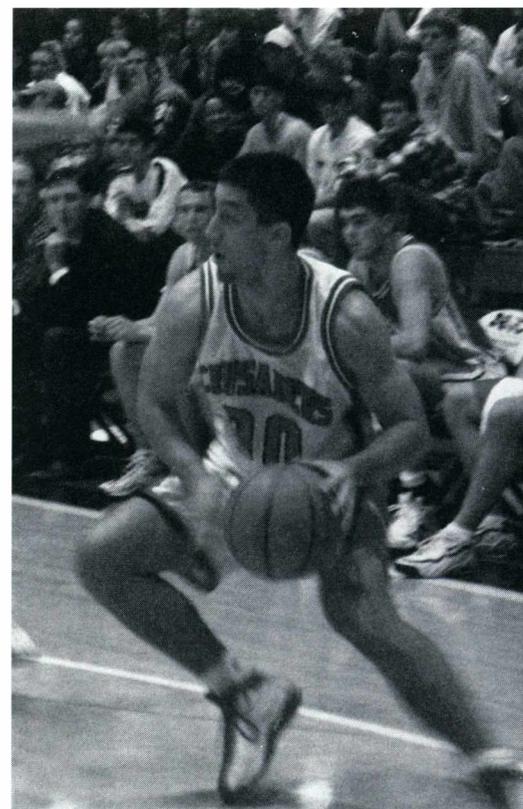
Kelly Herron makes a strong drive to the basket. Herron's versatility was a tremendous strength on the team (top).

What's up Doc? Teammate Detmetiros McBride and Jeremy Stockett await the return of the airborne ball. McBride and Stockett inspired other team players to succeed (bottom).

T R U E DEDICATION

As the crowd came into the NNC gym, they didn't quite know what to expect. The Men's Varsity Basketball team was going up against the nationally ranked Albertson's team. When the final buzzer sounded, however, the crowd was on their feet screaming. The Crusaders had won by 34 points. The Albertson's game was a highlight for the team's season, but there were also some disappointments. One major disappointment was Junior Jeremy Stockett's knee surgery in August that kept him out of the game until January. There were also some misunderstandings regarding Senior Michael Ratcliffe's eligibility. His play-

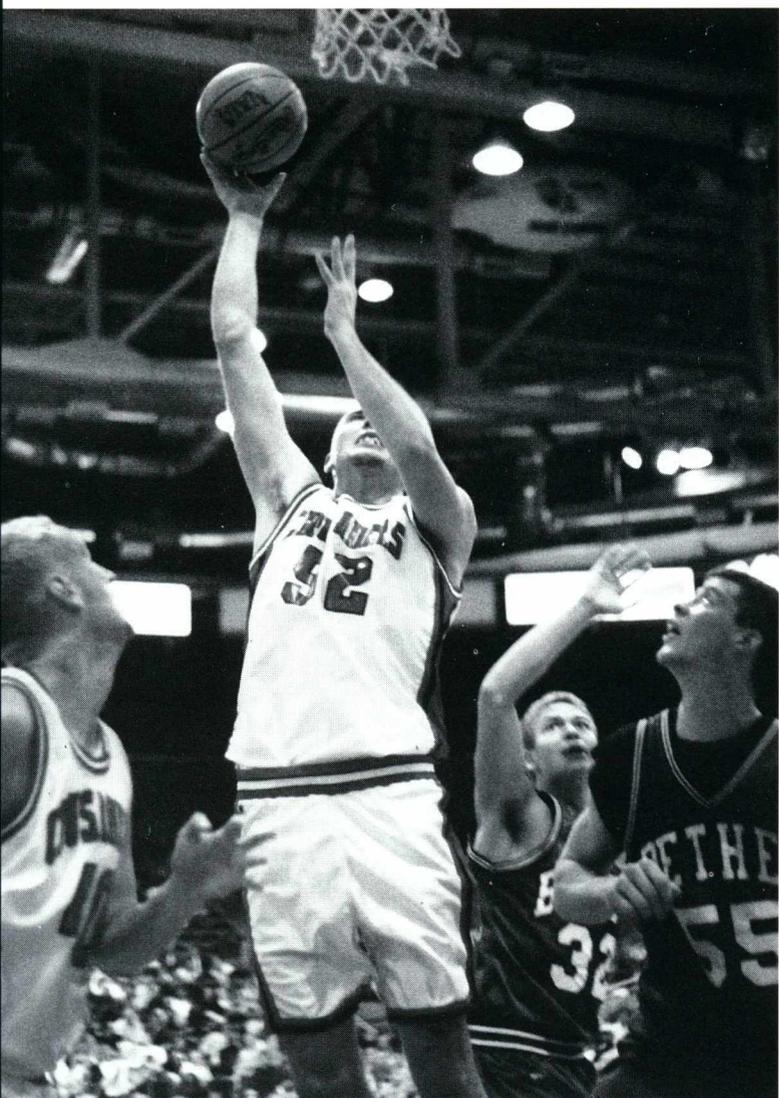
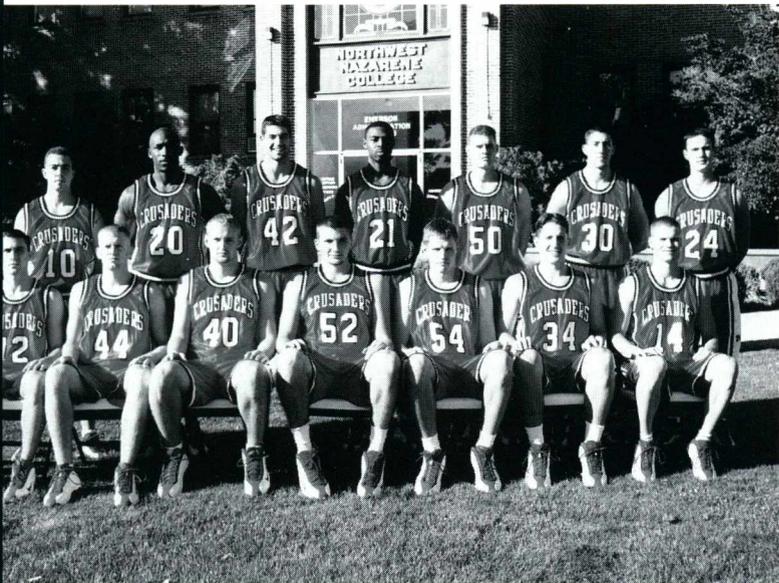
time in Australia made him ineligible to play on the NNC team this year. "Ratcliffe still participated everyday with the team and really acted like part of the team. Not many people would do that; I don't know if I would," said Coach Rick Sanders. A unique aspect of the team was freshman Josh Coopridier starting in the games. In the eight years that Coach



Chad Mitchell slashes past his defender to go for the score. Mitchell was a major contributor on both ends of the floor.

Sanders has been here, there have only been three freshmen on the team, Coopridier was the first to start. He feels Coopridier has a natural leadership ability that will be a benefit to the team for years to come. The other team members didn't seem to mind a freshman on the team either. Matt Warner commented, "Nobody really saw Coop as a freshman; he was just another guy on the team. He gave him a hard time, but his game was way beyond the freshman level."

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



Front row: Ryan Brown, Kelly Herron, Jeremy Stockett, Scott Bishop, Jeremy Lund, Bob Lowe, Jon Sell. Back row: Todd Craven, LaMark Judkins, Elijah Effinger, Detmetiros McBride, Jason Myner, Chad Mitchell, Josh Coopridner.

off! Scott Bishop tips the ball toward the hoop as Jeremy Stockett prepares for a rebound. Team member Bishop offered team leadership and support to fellow players.

SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Concordia, Neb.	85-91
San Jose Christian	122-61
Western Montana	84-98
Montana Tech	62-81
Boise State University	50-76
Carroll	59-76
Montana State Northern	84-102
Willamette	72-66
MidAmerica Nazarene	65-67
Oregon Tech	55-71
Southern Oregon	59-71
Golden Rule Tournament	3 rd place
Biola	41-42
Patten	112-73
Concordia	72-70
Northwest	76-80
Linfield	77-82
Montana Tech	82-64
Western Montana	80-96
Eastern Oregon	94-67
Cascade	122-85
Albertson	89-55
Evergreen	66-78
Western Baptist	57-69
Southern Oregon	65-57
Oregon Tech	79-78
Northwest	93-84
Concordia	64-71
Cascade	79-67
Eastern Oregon	58-63
Albertson	
Western Baptist	
Cascade Conference Playoff	
NAIA Division II National Tour.	

POINT OF VIEW

"I think next year will be much better since the team is fairly young and they will have already worked together as a team for a season."

- Coach Sanders

"It's hard to fit in as a freshman; a lot of people see a freshman starter and try to exploit it. Coop did a good job this season."

- Jeremy Stockett

SCOREBOARD

POINT OF VIEW

“We improved a lot this season. We learned a lot of new stuff, even with the challenge of new people joining the squad. Throughout the season, we, as a squad, did quite a bit of pulling together. It’s sad, though, that we didn’t get to perform our routine for the play-offs due to injuries and lack of time.”

- Hiedi Zimmerman

“I thought that we became advanced quickly in our stunting and we worked well together. We had great times.”

- Heather Sheffield

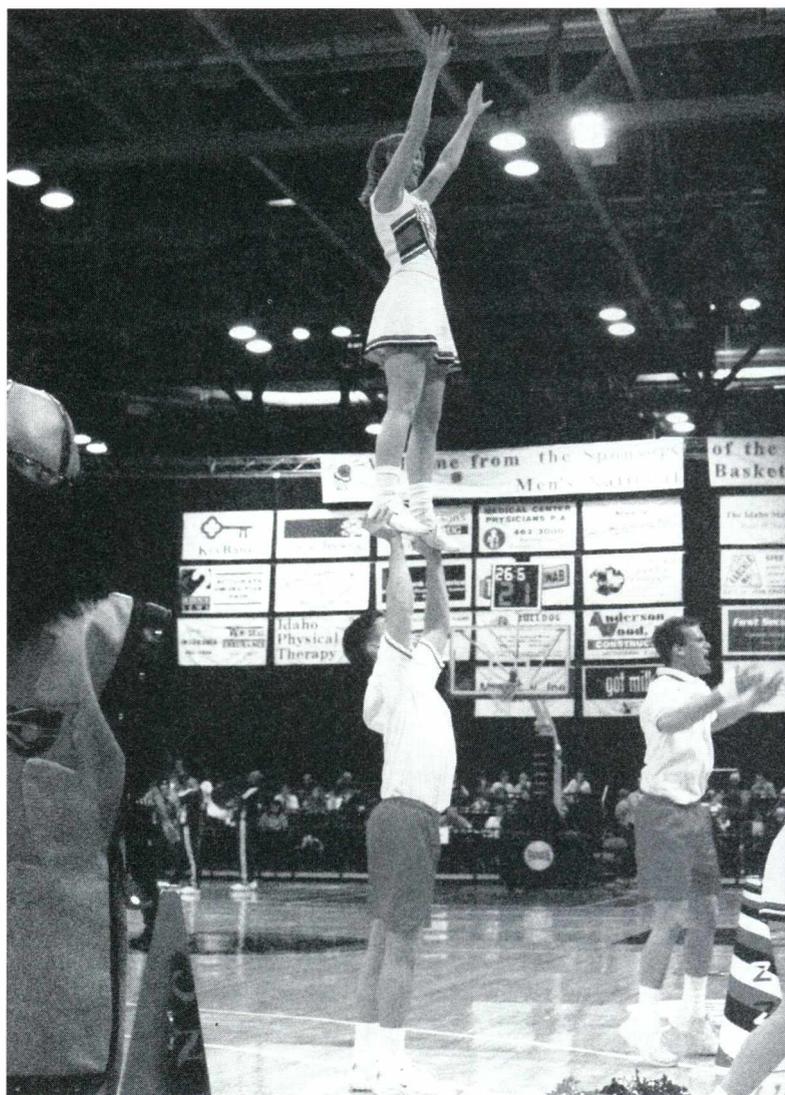
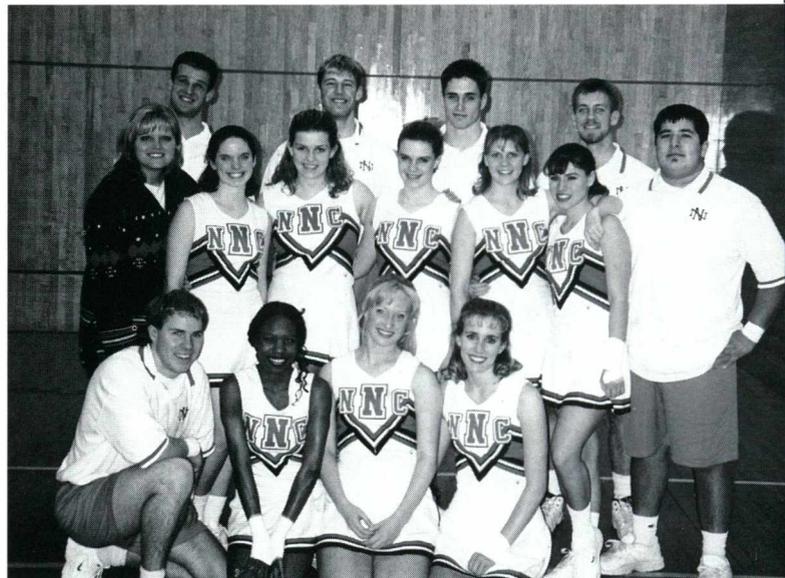
“I had a really fun time. This was the first time I had ever been on a co-ed squad, so that was different. Everyone on the squad was goofy, which made cheering even more fun. It helped when we had good crowds also. I think next year will be interesting. There’ll be new people who will be fun to work with. Cheerleading is a lot of work. People don’t realize the time it takes to perfect a cheer or stunt.”

-Jennifer Lewis

“It was a good season. As a squad, we worked hard and learned a lot. It was my first year, as well as my last, and I had a lot of fun.”

-Jeff Norris

CHEERLEADING

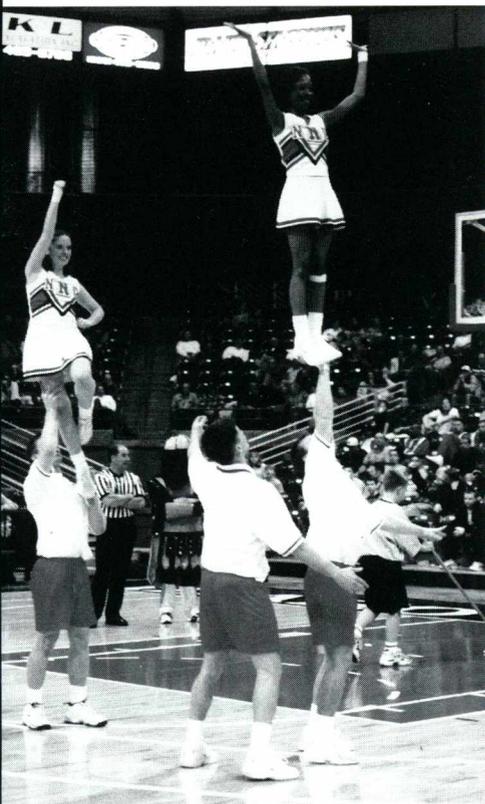


Front: Mike Garmire, Cheryl Bookman, Jennifer Lewis, Jodi Peterson. Middle: Coach Lis Litsey, Denise Thuline, Hiedi Zimmerman, Heather Sheffield, Molly Rogers, Shannon Scheitzach, Mason Lagstrom. Back: Eric Emmert, Braden Anderson, Kevin Allen, Jeff Norris.

Kevin Allen “lifts” up the crowd’s spirit as well as Molly Rogers. Allen and his team were never lacking enthusiasm.

AIMING FOR GREATER HEIGHTS

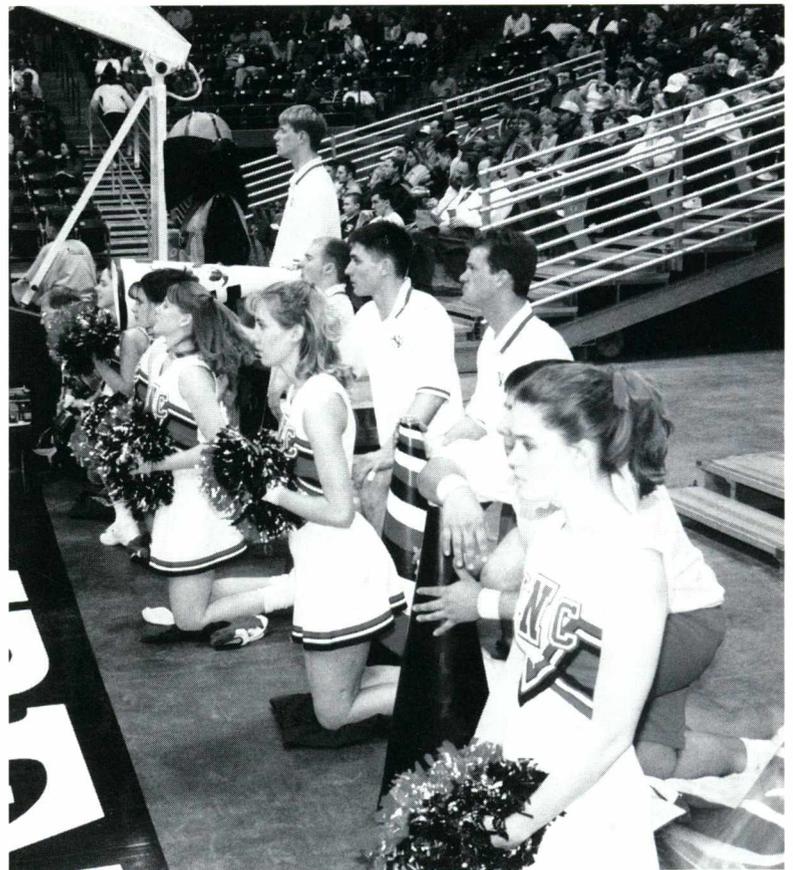
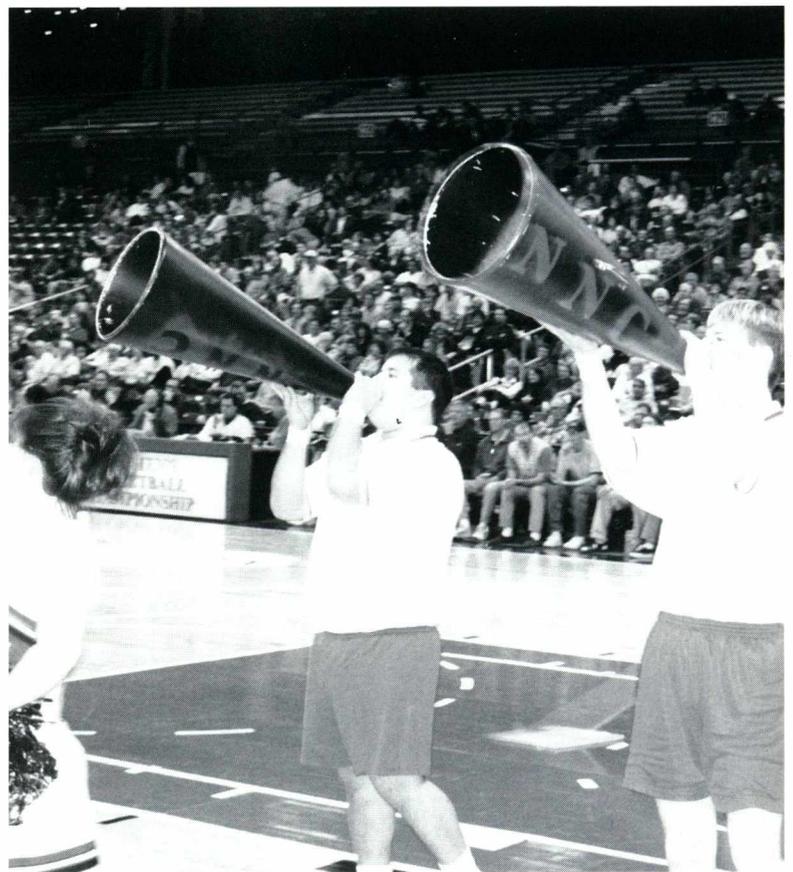
According to *The American Heritage College Dictionary*, a cheerleader is "one who leads the cheering of the spectators, as at a sports event." By definition, the members of NNC's 1998-99 cheerleading squad were prime examples of cheerleaders as they led the cheering of spectators at NNC's basketball games and spread the enthusiasm of all seated in the gym. However, NNC's cheerleaders went above and beyond that definition. Instead of simply leading the crowds in a couple of cheers, the co-ed squad of fourteen strove to remind everyone that the school spirit needed to be rejuvenated and celebrated. The cheerleaders'



cheerleaders get the 'Sader fans all riled up and ready for action. The cheerleaders used acrobatic stunts to keep the excitement level up.

The cheerleaders learned even harder to perfect. Lisa Litsey, second year coach, commented, "I think we had a great year. The team was definitely better than last year because of the experience of the squad. We had more guys, and girls, this year, which enabled us to do more advanced cheers." Overall, it is safe to say that NNC's school spirit is safe, and can be trusted, in the hands of the cheerleading squad.

excitement and energy never failed to rub off onto the fans; by the end of the game, those who began the evening sitting were on their feet, proud to show their school spirit. NNC's cheerleading squad also performed many challenging feats for the fans, such as daring flips and amazing balancing acts. More than half the squad consisted of new members, making the



Mason Lagstrom and Braden Anderson energize the crowd with their loud cries for victory. The enthusiasm of the cheerleaders definitely helped the team to many victories (top).

Waiting for their cue to show their spirit, NNC cheerleaders anticipate a break in the game. Coached by Lisa Litsey, cheer members worked hard to perform well for NNC (bottom).

POINT OF VIEW

“The funniest thing I remember was when MS&Co. was playing the really athletic team. MS&Co. was so far behind the other team took off their mitts and started batting backwards, and they still won.”

-Ryan Notbohm

“My favorite game was when we were down by eleven and we scored enough runs to beat the team by ten in that same inning, so we scored about twenty-two runs. Way to go Peaches.”

- Kami Watson

SCOREBOARD

Intramural Basketball Champions

MEN'S "A" LEAGUE:

Tom Burruel, Eric Dugan, Mike Hammer, Justin Marion, Michael Ratcliffe, Matt Warner

MEN'S "B" LEAGUE:

Rueben Arts, Jimmy Bennum, Aaron Copland, Josh Davis, Jason Drahn, Josh Hodges, Chris Niehaus, Bryan Shoemaker

MEN'S "C" LEAGUE:

Jeff Dillbeck, Jason Gill, Matt Gill, Danny Leaf, Joe Pelton, Jake Profit, Scott Strobel

WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

Jessica Ackley, Liz Benear, Erin Hellberg, Mindy John, Sarah Menard, Michelle Phillips, Rachel Roberts, Nancy York

Women's Soccer Champions:

Sara Braker, Megan Garske, Carey Laird, Kacy Madsen, Melissa McClellan, Kim Phillips, Missy Rasmussen, Jen Revels, Julie Satta, Denise Thuline

Men's Soccer Champions:

Kevin Andrews, Clayton Borah, Ryan Cantrell, Lane Chitwood, John Gallo-way, Aaron Metzger, Lee Perry, Scott Strobel, Eric Vehlow, Brandon Workentin

Racquetball Champion:

Jeff Fouche

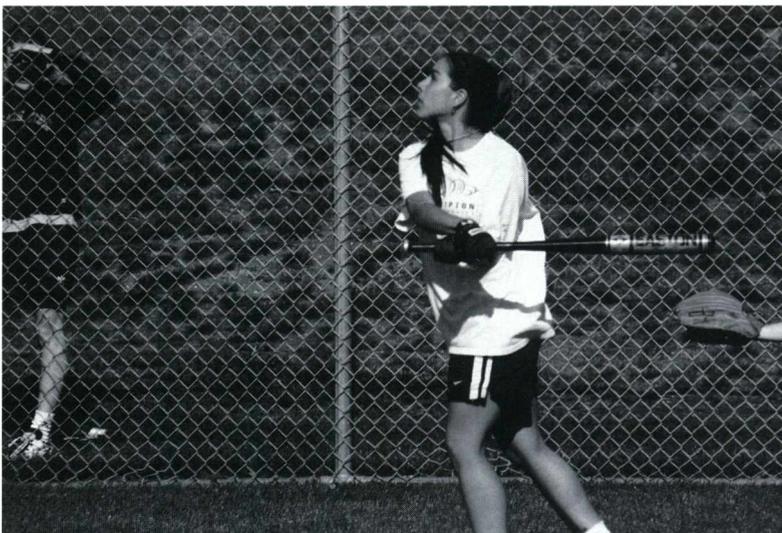
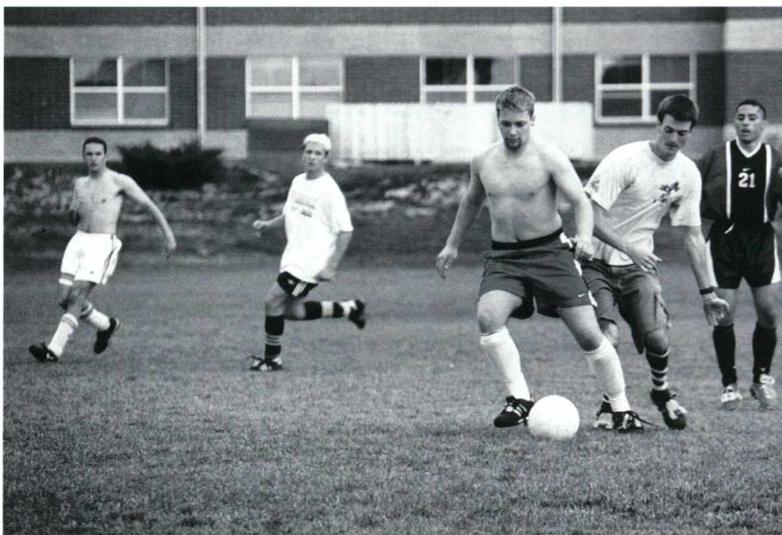
Men's Softball Champions:

“BLITZKRIEG”: Shawn Blenker, Loren Fairbanks, Jeremy Glassco, John Greentree, Doug Kenoyer, Jody Lanham, Eric Manley, Nathan Mason, Kevin McCallum, Chris Moore, Brian Porterfield, Jeremy Riehl, Travis Toews, Ken Wells

Women's Softball Champions:

Staci Boyd, Shanda Elwood, Sara Fitch, Lynne Friberg, Charity Friedly, Rachelle Friedly, Alesha Halverson, Zee Jimicum, Amy Parsons, Karen Pillers, Jen Revels, Denise Thuline

WINTER & SPRING



Showing off their pride and their winning shirts, Mindy John, Nancy York, Rachel Roberts, Erin Hellberg, Lisa Erickson, Jessica Ackley, and Liz Benear smile big for the camera.

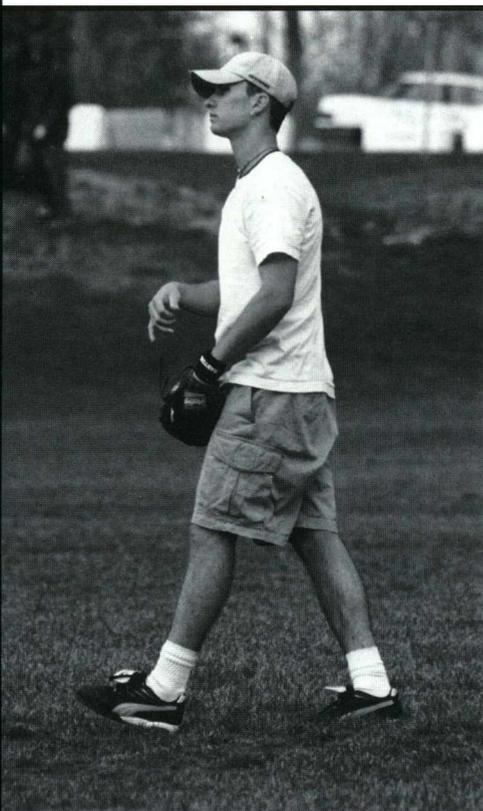
Kevin Andrews concentrates hard on putting the ball where he wants, while John Leavell tries to stop him. Teammates Lane Chitwood, Jason Friedrich, and Kenny Turner look on.

Becca Gilbert swings and watches the ball go far over the field.

INTRAMURALS

STUDENTS UNITE

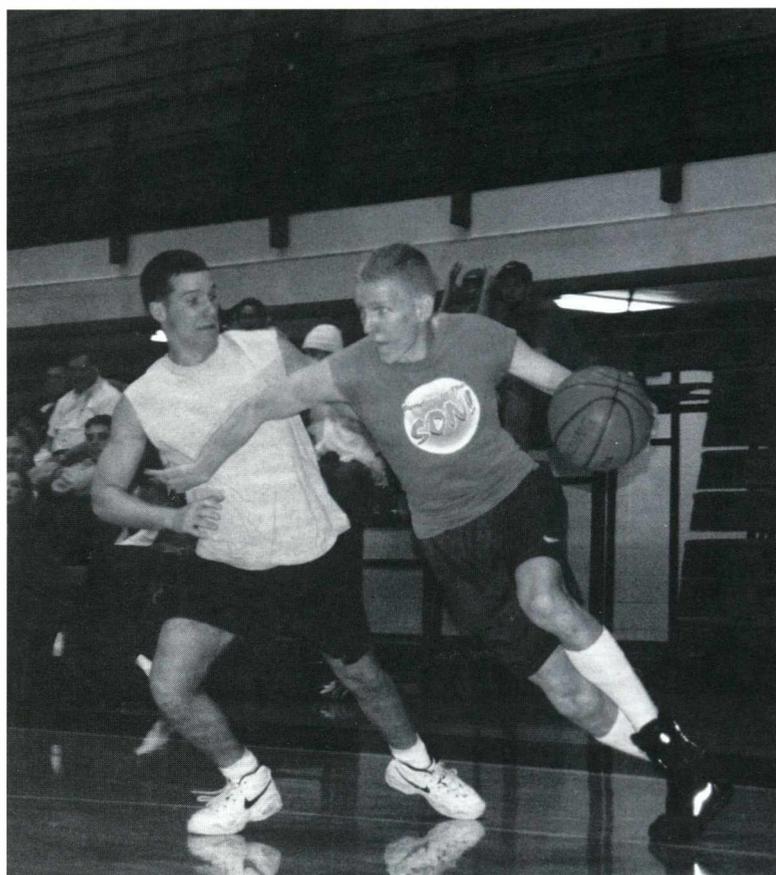
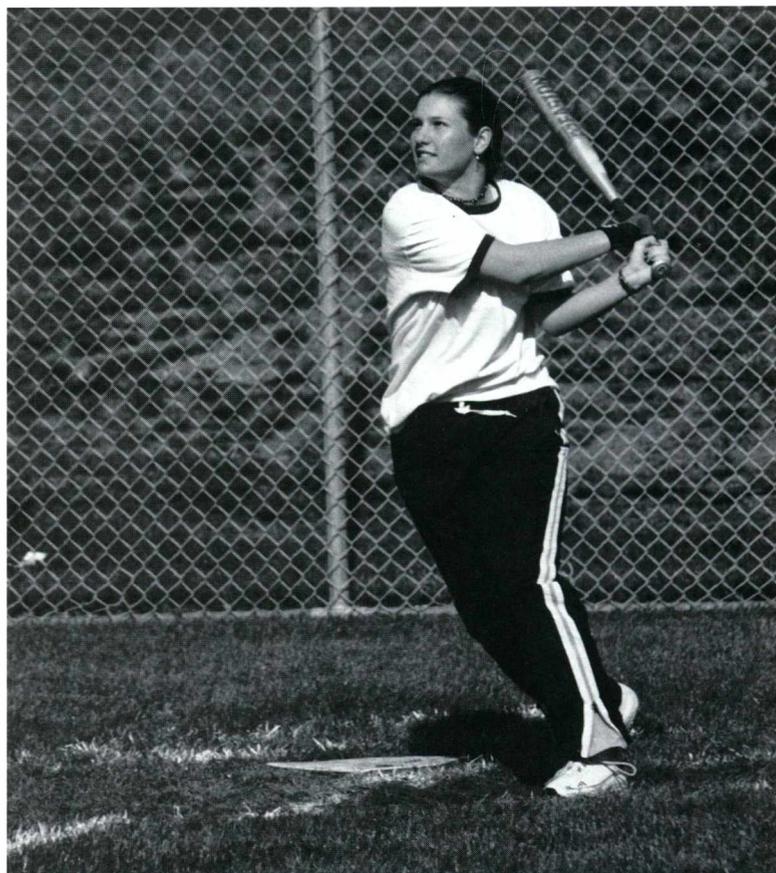
was the bottom of the fourth. We were down three to seven and needed a tying point, so the old-school Denver Nuggets hat came out. Next thing we knew, it was a fifteen run inning and we won," explained John Greentree, a member of the champion men's intramural softball team, *Blitzkrieg*. Winter and spring intramurals provided intense competition, a break from homework, and camaraderie for all involved. Winter intramural sports included men's and women's basketball and spring intramurals included the ever-popular men's and women's softball, men's and women's soccer, and the first annual



Participating in a fly ball, Jake Proffitt awaits the play. Intramural softball encouraged fun in the sun.

racquetball competition. A few of the women intramural athletes were disappointed with the lack of participation and organization among their peers. Only two teams turned out for women's soccer, causing a lack of competition. "Most of the time the other team forfeited anyway, so we didn't play that much but we still won," said Megan Garske. "Jayci

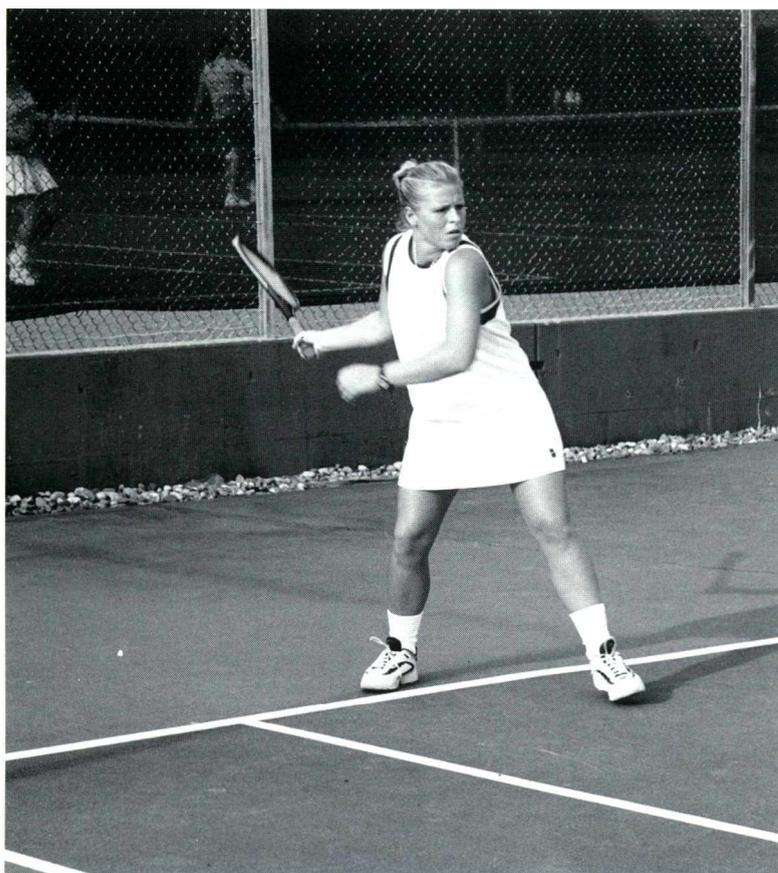
Montgomery commented, "I wish we'd had our schedule at least the day before the game. We lost the tournament because we couldn't get our team together in time." The overall consensus, however, was that this year's intramural sports provided enjoyment for all. "I watched the Sutherland 2nd West team play and the fans (which mostly consisted of the players girlfriends) and I could not stop laughing, the guys were having so much fun," said Crystal Woodrich.



Swiftly swinging toward the softball, Shawna Heim hits the ball with all her might. Great plays were common in intramural sports (top).

Driving around his competitor, Bryan Shoemaker hustles toward the basket as B.J. Van Manen catches his breath. Intramural basketball provided a protective, energetic, and fulfilling environment for student sport enthusiasts (bottom).

T O U G H C O M P E T I T I O N

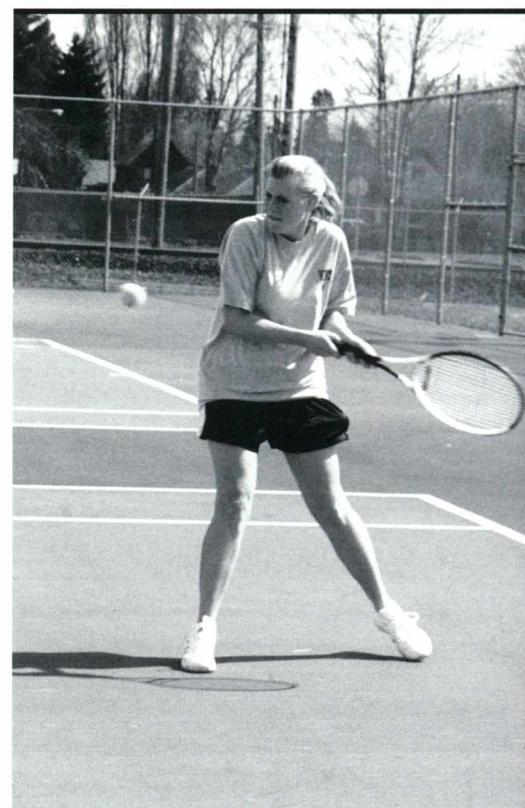


Stacia Hinson looks intense as she awaits her opponent's challenge. Hinson proved herself to be a real asset to the team. Coach Cook said, "Stacia was a great addition to NNC's tennis program" (top).

Relaxing after a match, the tennis team poses in front of the "Seattle Space Needle." Seattle was one of the many places to which the 1999 team traveled during the season (bottom).

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times . . ." The opening line of Charles Dickens' *A Tale of Two Cities* could have described the 1999 Women's Tennis season. The season started strong with nine players to fill its six positions. Freshmen were new additions to the team, freshmen Stacia Hinson and Jayme Hardison, sophomores Keri Barnes and Beth Nixon, and senior Jennifer Kung who returned after taking a year off. The team as a whole, however, faced many challenges, one of these being a tougher schedule. The purpose of the difficult schedule was to help strengthen NNC's tennis program as it prepares to move to NCAA Division

2. Despite the valiant efforts of each player, there were matches won, along with matches lost. Through it all, the players continued to maintain a competitive approach to the game and a positive outlook, especially in regards to next year's season. Coach Carey Cook commented, "I was disappointed with our overall win/lose record.

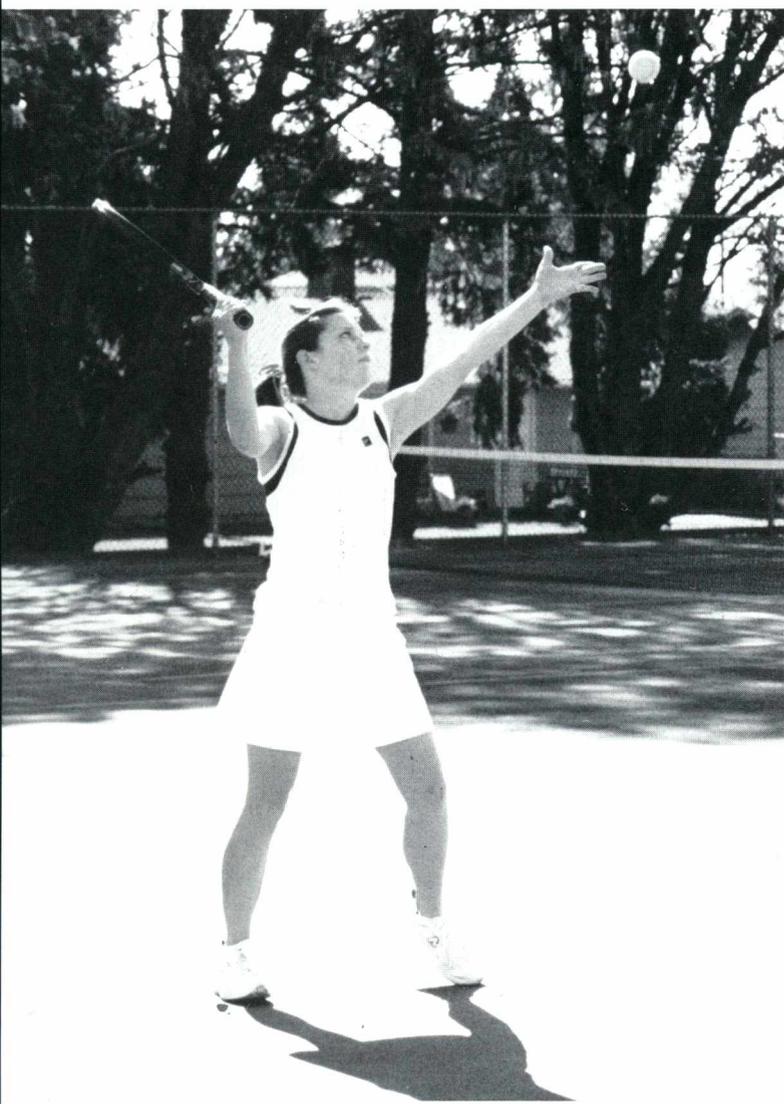


Sara Hamilton prepares to return a speeding ball with the help of a backhand swing. Hamilton, a third year member, was a "major contributor" to the 1999 team.

I think we're continuing to build the program to make it much more competitive. I'm excited about next year's prospects." For a majority of the players, the focus of the season was not on the losses but on the friendships made. Senior Kristen Crawford said, "Even though our record doesn't show it, we had a competitive season with a lot of fun times." Sophomore Keri Barnes agreed and added, "More importantly, we developed some good friendships."

TENNIS

SCOREBOARD



Front: Assistant Coach Thomas Daniels, Beth Nixon, Jayme Harding, Stacia Hinson, Brandi Blacklock, Betsy Smith, Keri Barnes, Head Coach Carey Cook. Back: Jenny Kung, Sara Hamilton, Kristen Crawford.

Keri Barnes concentrates on delivering a powerful serve to her opponent. A newcomer to C's tennis team, Barnes, according to Coach Cook, "had not played competitive tennis before and it was fun to see her make such big strides."

Opponent	Score
Pacific Lutheran	0-9
Lewis & Clark State	0-9
Southern Oregon	1-8
Albertson College	3-6
Whitworth	2-7
Pacific University	7-2
Lewis and Clark College	0-9
George Fox	7-2
Linfield College	1-8
Albertson College	2-7
University of Puget Sound	4-5
Evergreen State College	8-1
Albertson College	5-4
<i>Overall</i>	4-9

Individual Records:

	Singles	Doubles
Kristen Crawford	6-7	4-9
Stacia Hinson	4-10	4-9
Brandi Blacklock	4-8	6-8
Sara Hamilton	4-9	6-8
Beth Nixon	1-3	4-10
Keri Barnes	5-3	4-10
Jenny Kung	5-6	--
Betsy Smith	0-10	--
Jayme Harding	--	--

POINT OF VIEW

"We had our ups and downs, but we had a lot of fun. As a whole, the group bonded well and made the season extra special."

-Sara Hamilton

"We didn't have a very good season judging by our record, but there were many memories made and friendships built that will be remembered longer than our record."

-Brandi Blacklock

SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Central Washington	1-0
U. of British Columbia	10-7
Western Baptist	10-3
Western Baptist	10-0
Western Baptist	12-2
Albertson	3-7
Whitworth	8-6
Whitworth	5-2
The Master's	2-4
Point Loma	6-10
The Master's	2-15
Azusa Pacific	2-13
Concordia	8-1
Concordia	0-6
Concordia	3-11
Westmont	4-8
Eastern Oregon	9-3
Eastern Oregon	10-2
Eastern Oregon (OT)	7-5
Western Oregon	1-2
Western Oregon	1-4
Western Oregon	3-5
Albertson	2-6
Albertson	5-10
Western Baptist	10-3
Western Baptist	3-1
Western Baptist	1-14
Albertson	3-1
Albertson	4-17
Concordia	6-3
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Concordia	13-9
Eastern Oregon	0-2
Eastern Oregon	5-4
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POINT OF VIEW

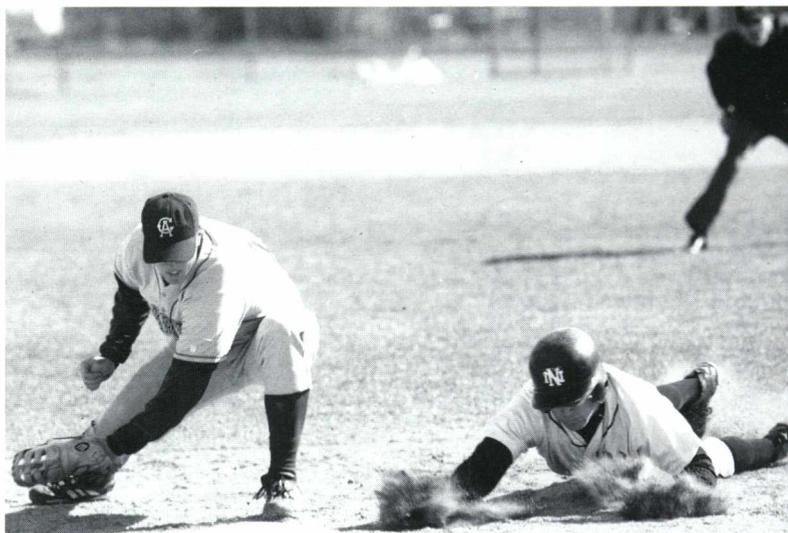
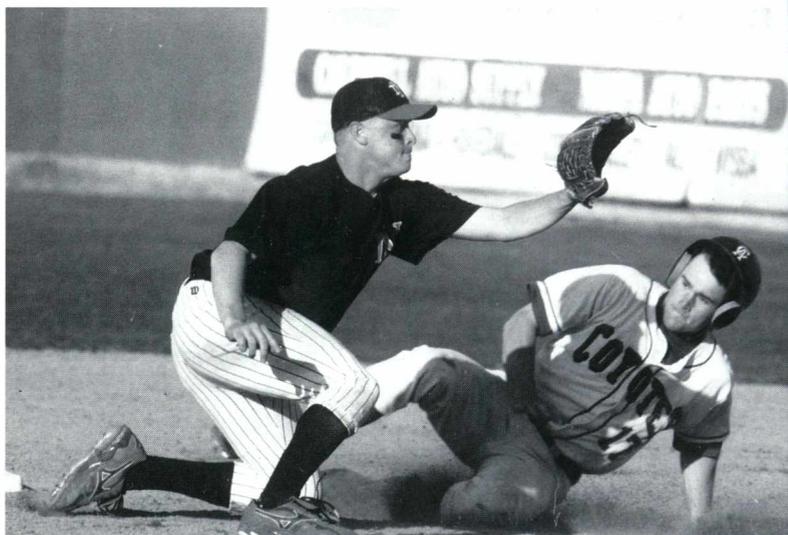
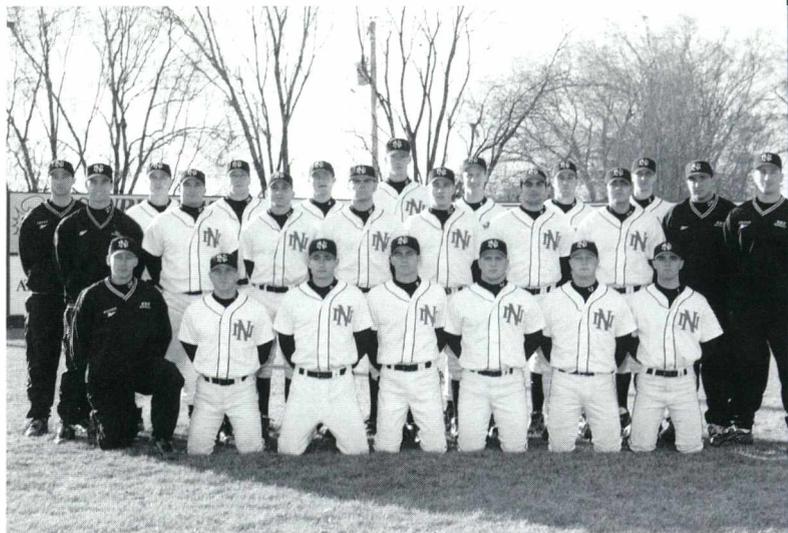
"I think we took a step in the right direction this year. We worked hard and learned what it meant to play together. Spiritually, we improved because we had a Bible study."

-Dan Benedick

"It was a year of saying good-bye for the older players and a year of learning for the younger players. Next year we will have a young team and hope to use that to our advantage."

- Matt Davis

B A S E B A L L



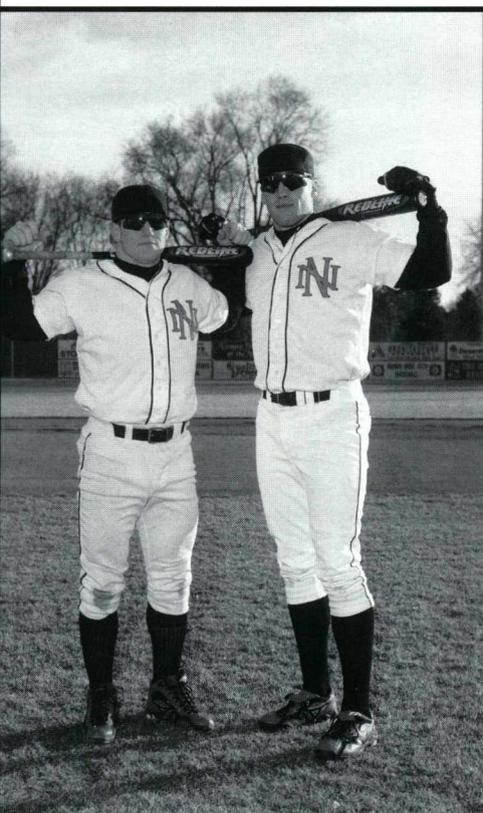
Front: Coach Nate Hoioson, Jason LaMont, Brendan Goehner, Dan Benedick, Matt Onofre, Barry Warren, Zack Deboi. Middle: Head Coach Brian Muir, Justin Schneidt, Ruben Burciaga, Mike Wolfe, Byron Haggren, Bobby Hood, Jacob St. Mary, Coach Corey Davidson, Coach Tim Onofrei. Back: Coach Travis Tindall, Benji Warren, Andy Heyer, Jon Crozier, Ryan Turner, Brian Parton, Matt Davis, Jake Williams (top).

During a tough match against Albertson, sophomore Barry Warren stretches for the out. Warren was an asset to the infield with his quick hands (middle).

Sliding, Ruben Burciaga stretches for the base before he is tagged by his opponent (bottom).

TAKE ME OUT TO THE B A L L G A M E

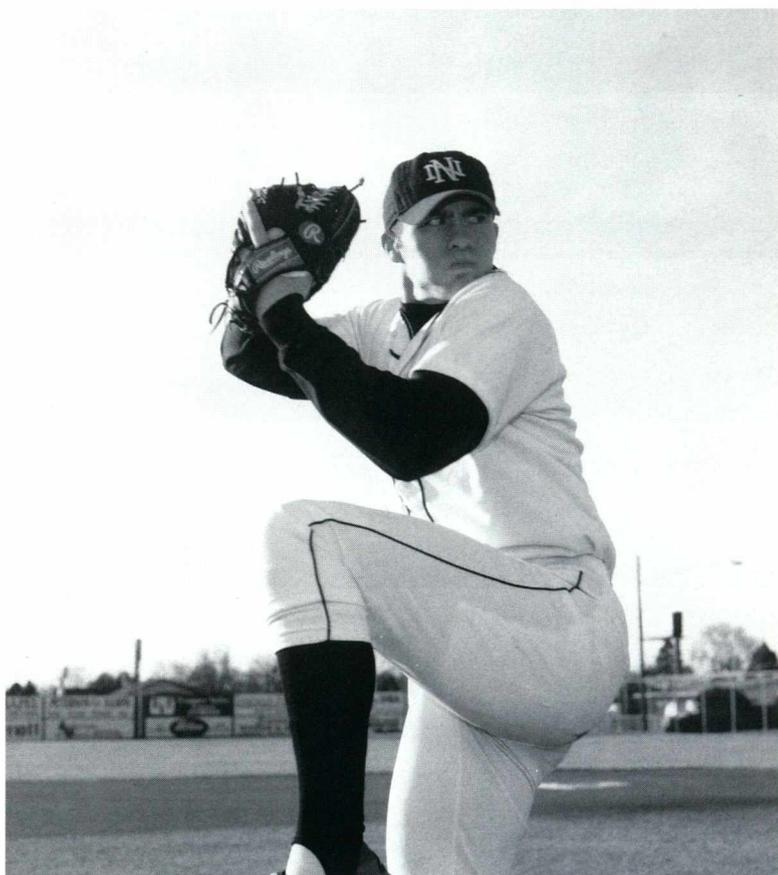
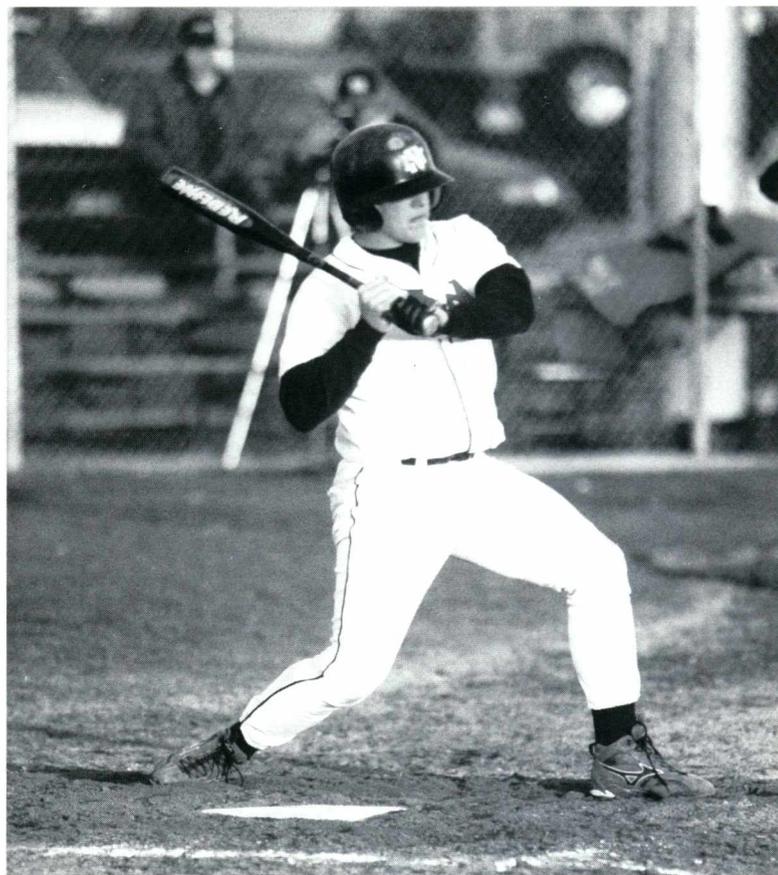
baseball, which is affectionately known as America's favorite pastime, provides hours of excitement and entertainment for spectators across the nation. Similarly, this year's NNC baseball fans were treated to a season of unforgettable games. The team finished the season .500 (won as many games as they lost), which is quite an accomplishment. In fact, it was the first time since 1983 that NNC finished with a .500 record. Another major highlight of the season was when NNC beat Albertson for their first league loss. This year's team consisted of



Making their best GQ pose, Jason LaMont and Andy [unclear] show off for their fans (bottom).

six seniors. Their experience and familiarity with one another was credited as one of the factors in the team's winning record. A team full of seniors, however, also meant that a fairly young team will be left behind. Sophomore Dan Benedick commented, "We are losing some key guys, but we have quite a few coming back too." The young players were good and proved that next year's

team will be fierce contenders in their league, intent on building upon this year's record. Freshman Mike Wolfe remarked, "College ball takes a lot more time than high school. To be able to play in a game you had to play well. This year's infielders said to be second to none. It was a lot of fun to play on a good team like that."



At the plate, Matt Onofrei swings with gusto. Onofrei contributed to the team as both a catcher and powerful batter (top).

Daring his opponent to try his best, Jon Crozier fires his best pitch to the plate (bottom).