

## Column One

Week Four: Lot's of things this time. Congratulations to the Denver Broncos are due. This, their second consecutive Superbowl win also marks the second year a head shaving has been seen due to their win. At the hands of Doyle Harris, Josh Bittle became hairless due to a wager on the game. Last year Ken Tennyson was the lucky recipient of the same fate.

Mr. NNC is coming up. Be sure not to miss this chance to see our strapping young men at their best. I hear Carey Cook will be there too. So go, have a good time. Dress to get wet.

My old roommate, Joey Boerner, will be presenting the junior class play next week. Its a farce by Neil Simon, entitled *Rumors*. There's an article about just to the left of these very words. Its cheap entertainment, be sure to get your tickets ahead of time, though as these things inevitable sell out.

Some slightly different features and formats appear in this issue. I hope they make your reading experience all the more pleasurable and enduring.

Lastly, ASNNC elections are coming up. That means we are looking for section editors here at *The Crusader*. Talk to me if you're interested. Call or write.

Don't procrastinate too long.



Shawn Shafer  
Editor

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# The Junior Class Play: witty comedy

by Amber Jerome  
*Crusader Staff Writer*

Don't know "who done it?" Then the next best solution is to hide it. At least that's the consensus in this year's hilarious junior class play, entitled *Rumors*. This modern play penned by Neil Simon is a witty, whimsical comedy about four couples who muster all their creativity into covering up a suicide. "It's slapstick humor," says director junior Joey Boerner. "It's kind of like an episode of *Frasier* where everybody thinks something else is going on. It gets mixed up."

The premise of the play revolves around the eight guests, four couples, who have arrived at the house of Charles and Myra Brock in uptown New York. When they discover the host shot and the hostess no where to be found, things get crazy and confusing. "Everyone gets frazzled," said Boerner.

The cast of ten, who range from freshmen to senior actors,

represent a montage of characters who all try to deceive each other and the police as the plot unfolds.

"It turns into a big scandal," said Jose Melendez, who plays the melodramatic Lenny Ganz. Becca Keller, who plays Lenny's wife, added, "It's a dramatic comedy showing how hilarious it can be when rumors are flying."

The play is fresh with comedic interactions. Meet Cookie Cusack, the T.V. cooking show hostess (Jeanine Riggs); the neurotic politician's wife obsessed with crystals (Erin Harri); her husband, the smooth-talking senate candidate (Kevin Durfee); "the liar, or I mean, lawyer," Chris Gorman (Jennifer Hill) and all the other socialites at the mystery of the year. When the silly and sarcastic meet, anything can happen.

"My character is the analyst who tries to figure everybody out and bring them together, but instead we're all just going crazy," said senior Brad Hays, who plays Ernie Cusack. Add a determined police investigator, played by

Deniece Miller, and the scene is set for wild cover-ups and riotous outbursts.

Harri praised Boerner's role in directing the cast. "I have high things to say about Joey," she said. "He's given us good ideas and hints." Freshman Justin Koeppen, who brought added experience from having performed in *Rumors* in high school, said about the team, "Everyone has been fun to work with. It has been a cool experience."

The crew all have high regards for one another. Junior Nathan Hydes said that though his role is smaller as the "strong and silent" Officer Pudney, he's

greatly enjoyed being in the play. "I think my favorite parts of the play center on Hays' dialogue. I think he does a great job with his character."

This year's junior class play offers two hours of amusement and mystery sure to enthrall viewers and provide a fun Valentine's Day weekend. Tickets will go on sale this week for the performances on February 11, 12 and 13. Thursday and Friday nights' performances are scheduled for 7pm, and the Saturday showing will be a 1pm matinee. Prices are four dollars for adults, three dollars for NNC faculty, and two dollars for students and senior citizens.

*Crusader Choir's*

## Italian Dinner

Saturday, February 5, 6:00pm-8:00pm

Join the Crusader Choir at Franklin Hall, College Church this Saturday for a night of dinner and culture. Choir members will be performing selections from their favorite operas while attendees enjoy a delicious Italian meal.

Tickets can be purchased in the bookstore or by Crusader Choir members. Cost is \$10/person or \$15/couple. All proceeds benefit Crusader's choir European tour.

## Superbowl Party



Ken Stark cheers for the Denver Broncos, the eventual winners of the 33rd Superbowl. Hundreds of students watched the Falcon's defeat Sunday in Marriott at the party sponsored by RDs.

## Senate Notes

In Senate this week, there was further discussion on the bill for purchasing a printer for NNC Publications. The bill was passed.

The bill pertaining to the American Chemistry Society Conference was discussed. It was argued whether it would be appropriate to use student fees for the funding of this conference. The bill was accepted. Debate has been going on in the Senate as to how to handle club requests for funding conferences and trips. A policy is still being refined as to consistent rules for club funding with student money. It was also discussed that for the past two terms, \$100 has been given to class parties and \$50 to club parties.

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# NNC Professors help write CIS curriculum

## Team CIS provides biblical training to Eurasian students.

by Melissa Tennyson  
Crusader Campus Editor

Dr. Ralph Neil and Dr. Michael Lodahl, NNC professors, are writing curriculum for students in the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS). Neil is the Chair of the Division of Philosophy and Religion, and Lodahl is a professor of religion. They are a part of Team CIS.

Faculty from several Nazarene colleges and universities are writing courses which will lead to an entire curriculum and delivery system to prepare individuals for Christian ministry. The courses will be distributed throughout the Eurasia region. Team CIS has been on the hearts and minds of several individuals for many years. It began to take shape in 1995 when Jon and Kathy Mowry, missionaries to Russia, were charged with developing a

vigorous extension education program for use on their field. Jon Mowry is a 1989 NNC graduate. They developed what is now known as the CIS program. In September 1996 they convened the Consultation on Theological Education in the CIS. The participants determined that a modular-based program of study would best accommodate the specific needs of this region (multiple languages and time-zones being the most significant obstacles). The first course was taught in August 1997 by Dr. Ed Robinson, a 1973 NNC Graduate.

A second consultation was organized in January, 1998. This meeting, the Consultation on Clergy Preparation, was sponsored by European Nazarene Bible College. During that meeting it was discussed how the CIS project could be expanded into a Eurasia-wide program of theological education. Dr. Corlis McGee and Frank Moore of MidAmerica Nazarene University began to look at how this could come about. Through countless phone calls and e-mails, they began to give life to what just a couple of years earlier seemed a distant dream.

The project has blossomed

*"In the CIS there's a tremendous need for Christian education."*

*~Dr. Ralph Neil*

into a denomination-wide cooperative venture. Faculty from many Nazarene colleges, universities and the seminary, were invited to author courses. This part of the project, which Neil and Lodahl are involved in, will employ a range of delivery mechanisms including local and distance learning, on-site training/instructor development courses, video and a variety of Internet-based utilities. The project's long-term goal is to provide contextualized course materials for global and trans-denominational distribution.

The objectives of Team CIS are to: (1) develop a curriculum of theological education in the Russian language for future pastors and lay persons in the Church of the Nazarene and other Protes-

tant denominations, (2) identify, translate or procure the necessary resources in Russian which support the curriculum selected, (3) identify the specialists who will develop and teach the first modules of the curriculum, (4) facilitate the training of the teachers who will continue to teach the curriculum, (5) produce videos in Russian and English of the 25-course curriculum and (6) identify and procure libraries in Russian and English for five CIS centers in Moscow, Kyiv, Volgograd, St. Petersburg and Akmolá.

In April, Neil and wife Dr. Lynn Neil, chair of the NNC Department of English, will travel to the region. Ralph will teach "Nature and Mission of the Church" through an interpreter in St. Petersburg and Moscow in Russia and Kyiv (formerly Kiev), Ukraine. He will instruct Russians who will teach others. Lynn, helping prepare teaching material with Ralph, will teach graduate writing to students who will attend summer school at the Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri. She will train them in American style research and writing so they will be prepared to attend the seminary.

Dr. Lodahl is preparing ma-

terial for "Introduction to Theology." Lodahl shared, "I am attempting to do my Intro. to Theology by taking each of the articles of faith in the Nazarene Manual and doing a kind of historical/theological interpretation of them."

Dr. Neil shared, "In the CIS there's a tremendous need for Christian education." He explained that most Orthodox church buildings in the CIS have been destroyed, and what little church activity that has been there has been underground. There has been little or no Christian instruction. Neil explained that there are very highly educated people in the CIS who are virtually uninformed about the Bible and theology. Since it is uncertain how long the CIS will be open to biblical instruction, it is important that the opportunity be taken now.

NNC has other connections in the Eurasia region. Sophomore Stephanie Garrett of Burlington, Washington is spending the winter term as an assistant to Jon and Kathy Mowry in St. Petersburg. Also, the office secretary in Moscow is Linda Russell, a 1991 graduate. Information about Team CIS can be found on their website: [www.mnu.edu/de/](http://www.mnu.edu/de/)

## Psychology Students inducted into Honor Society

Six students were inducted into the Northwest Nazarene College chapter of Psi Chi, the National Honor Society in Psychology. The inductees are Heidi Allgeier of The Dalles, Oregon; Amber Cashell of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Megan Hughes of Seattle, Washington; Tracy Rummer of Ritzville, Washington; Cheri Russell of Nampa, Idaho and Betsy Ann Smith of Lakeville, Minnesota.

In May of 1998, the NNC Psychology Club received chapter status in Psi Chi with 16 members inducted, including ten students and six faculty members. Faculty joining the NNC chapter were Dr. Dick Craig, education graduate studies; Dr. Scott Homan, business; Dr. JoAnn Willis, psychology and Dr. Ron Ponsford, chair of the Department of Psychology. Dr. Ron Galloway, chair of the Department of Business and Dr. Glenna Andrews, psychology, transferred membership to the NNC chapter.

NNC student officers are co-presidents Jim Imlah of Portland, Oregon and Melissa Hardy of Gooding, Idaho, president-elect



Back row: Psi Chi inductees Sueanne Mauler and Melissa Hardy, President Jim Imlah. Front row: Inductees Heidi Allgeier, Megan Hughes, and Tracy Rummer.

Hughes, secretary Sueanne Mauler of Marysville, Washington and publicity rep. Melissa Tennyson of Portland, Oregon.

Andrews said the national organization provides scholarship money for undergraduate research. She said that it also provides recognition when research is presented and the opportunity to seek national office. Psi Chi members wear an honor cord at

graduation.

Psi Chi was founded in 1929 to encourage, stimulate and maintain excellence in scholarship, and advancing the science of psychology. Psi Chi, with more than 930 chapters, is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies. It is also an affiliate of the American Psychological Association and the American Psychological Society.

## Who's who at NNC?

*Congratulations to those elected to Who's Who: Mindy M. Bales, Debra Bartlow, Max Chtangeev, Rebecca Galloway, Jeremy Glassco, John Greentree, Lisa Guy, Erin Patricia Harri, Jennifer Coles Hill, Colleen M. Jensen, Christine Lynn Johns, Christa L. Klosterman, Lincoln Loeber, Nathan Mason, Melissa Christine McClellan, Lindsay Mittelstaedt, Jeff Norris, Heather Olson, Stephanie Anne Ortman, Norma Thompson, Travis Toews, Marijeanne Uhalde, Kenny Wade, Mark Walker, and Dustin Zimmerman.*

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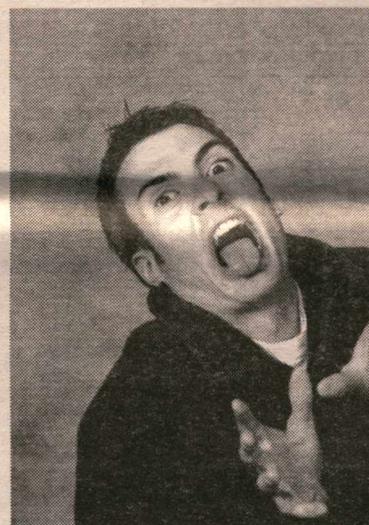
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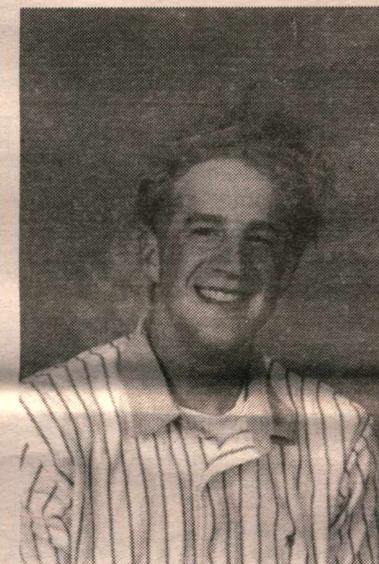
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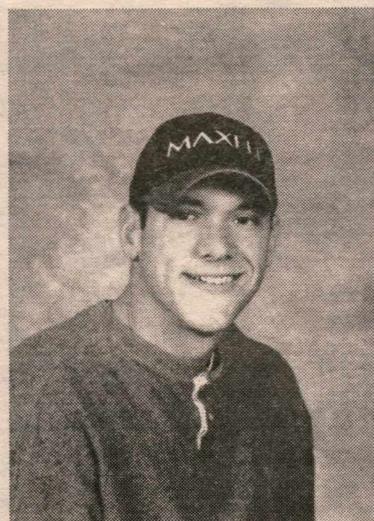


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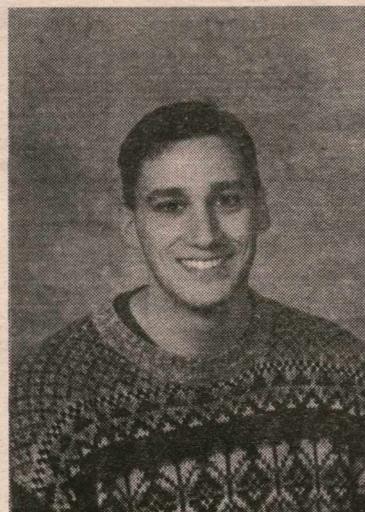
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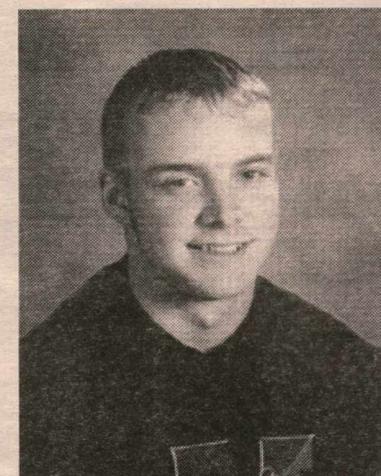
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## Seniors

# A new boycott on Intel's new Pentium

by Ryan Dooley

Crusader Asst. World News Editor

Intel's plan to ship its Pentium III chips with a processor serial number in the "off" position hasn't made any satisfaction with privacy groups, who have decided to expand their call for a boycott to include any PC manufacturer who ships a Pentium III system with the ID number, not just Intel.

Intel made an announcement last week that it would include a processor serial number (PSN) in every one of its new Pentium III chips for online merchants to use in identifying and authorizing users for secure Internet commerce. After privacy rights advocates complained that the PSN would allow sites to monitor and profile users without their consent, Intel announced that it would ship the chips with the PSN switched off, and alert them if the PSN's mode was to be changed.

That move temporarily appeased an Arizona state lawmaker who previously planned to introduce a bill banning the manufacture or sale of Pentium III chips. After meeting with Intel, the privacy rights groups are still outraged.

"This serial number is designed to facilitate tracking," said Dave Banisar, policy director for the Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC). "Given Intel's marketplace share of 85 percent of the microprocessors," it is likely

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~ Seth Walker

that online merchants will try to monitor and profile the great number of users with PSN's in their machines who surf the Internet. "It's another way to get information to trade and sell."

An Intel spokesman said PC manufacturers will have to answer to end-users, ultimately.

"The nay-sayers are going to look for holes wherever they can find them," said Intel spokesman Seth Walker. Secondly, critics say the software utility that users need to activate or de-activate the OSN is vulnerable to hacking, something even Intel acknowledges. Software can be used to obtain the PSN and, if the application is Internet-enabled, can transmit it anywhere without the user knowing it, Junkbusters said in a statement on its Web site at [www.bigbrotherinside.com](http://www.bigbrotherinside.com).

In addition, hackers could write programs that transmit a fake ID number, or which hide the alert that the software utility is

supposed to show to notify the user that the PSN is about to be turned on, said Bruce Schneier, president of security firm Counterpane Systems and author of "Applied Cryptography."

"The basic problem is there is no secure way of querying the ID number, so you have no verification the number is accurate," Schneier said.

Although Walker acknowledged the security vulnerability, he said the users should go to web sites they trust.

In addition, users will have to reboot their computers before the PSN mode can be changed, reducing the chance that the PSN could be turned on without their knowledge, he said. Web sites that want to use the PSN will also warn users that they are entering an area where their processor serial number could be identified, he added.

"There is the ability for a malicious piece of software to try and disable that alert, but users will have to go to sites that they trust and be careful about this feature," Walker said.

A third flaw with the PSN plan, according to the critics, is that the online merchants and other service sites, who want to know as much about customers as they can, are likely to require users to enable the PSN as a condition for access, according to Catlett at Junkbusters. In fact, Intel said more than 30 companies are planning to take advantage of PSN's.

Intel spokesman Howard

High agreed that some web sites and chat rooms are likely to restrict access to only those users who volunteer their PSN's. But most businesses aren't likely to turn their backs on users, he said.

High and Intel colleague Walker pointed out that the companies will find the PSN helpful in keeping track of their computers, and some users may find it helpful to be tracked for marketing and transactional reasons.

"For consumers, the potential of the Internet promises new ways to shop online," Walker said. "But the greater levels of security are required. The processor serial number adds a level of security that doesn't exist today."

However, Counterpane's Schneier points out that the same flaws that make the PSN less than secure for end-users worried about protecting their privacy, also undermine the security level of the feature for I-commerce.

One critic who was appeased by Intel's new plan to ship the PSN's in the off position was Steve May a Republican member of the Arizona House of Representatives.

"Even if Intel fixes the current problem with the Pentium III, we now know that this technology exists and it could be a problem from AMD [Advanced Micro Devices] next year," May said. However, Intel chip rival AMD has reportedly said it will not put serial numbers in its chips.

"We're not going to keep any list of ID numbers," Walker said.

## Washington governor Gary Locke gives money back to employers

by Ryan Dooley

Crusader Asst. World News Editor

Olympia, WA – Governor Gary Locke personally delivered checks to employers in Spokane and the Tri-Cities that are some of the 130,000 employers sharing in a \$200 million refund in the Washington's workers' compensation system.

As a part of the day of state-wide visits, Locke and Department of Labor and Industries Director Gary Moors are delivering checks to employers in Tacoma, Seattle, Spokane and the Tri-Cities. The return of the money is the result of an investment windfall in the state's workers' compensation system.

"The beauty of this \$200 million refund is that employers get a big chunk of money and our workers' compensation system remains strong," Governor Locke said. "Employers can put this big chunk of money back into their business and create new jobs. Everyone benefits."

The refund is in addition to the \$19 million rate cut that took effect on January 1 for workers' compensation premiums in 1999.

Each employer will receive 32.3 percent of the premium paid to the Accident Fund for insurance

coverage between July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998. The refund is the first in the history of the state's workers' compensation system, which is managed by the Department of Labor Industries.

One of the several funds that make up the workers' compensation system is the Accident Fund, and this is where the employers have to pay the big bucks. Premiums to these benefits are only for the workers, such as wages for time lost from work and disability awards. The system also pays for the medical bills and pensions when workers are hurt on the job.

The only way the company's are allowed to receive the full refund is that they do not owe any money to the state or federal agency. Employers due less than a \$10 refund will get a credit to their accounts.

The workers' compensation in Washington state, referred to as the State Fund, covers almost 1.6 million employees.

# U.S. asks India to stop its test of nukes

by Rebecca Miller

World News Staff Writer

The U.S. has begun high-level talks with India to deter India from building and gathering atomic bombs.

Last spring, both India and Pakistan set off nuclear bombs underground as tests.

The two countries are bitter rivals, and both show signs of serious aggression.

Since that time, the United States has talked with India repeatedly in an attempt to avert a crisis.

The two officials who are conducting the talks are Deputy Secretary of State Strobe Talbott and Indian Foreign Minister Jaswant Singh.

Neither have said much about proceedings, but they did indicate that things looked hope-

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~ George Fernandez

ful.

Clinton also called the Prime Minister of India, Atal Behari Vajpayee this past Friday.

They discussed the first day of the talks for about 15 minutes. According to a spokesman at the prime minister's office, "Clinton told (him) that they should work together for successful conclusion of the Singh and Talbott dialogue."

He continued, "Prime Minis-

ter Vasjpayee said he was closely following the dialogue and was keen that it should continue."

The president promoted the case of Talbott, hoping that India will sign a treaty to ban nuclear tests.

In the past, such an accord has not looked likely. Talbott and Singh have been talking since the tests last spring.

The United States is concerned about the proliferation of nuclear weapons while India is concerned about their security.

The country is located between Pakistan and China, both of which have experience and capabilities with nuclear weapons.

India declares that they have a right to arm themselves. They want to create a minimum nuclear deterrent through acquiring more arsenal and creating medium-range AGNI missiles.

India also resents the interference of the U.S. "The level of deterrence will be decided by us, and nobody else can tell us," said Defense Minister George Fernandes, in response to the U.S. demand for their specific plans and limits.

Vejpayee said that he hoped the test ban treaty will be in use by September.

He has not, however, guaranteed that he will sign it. India developed a no-first-use treaty, but Pakistan refused to sign it.

This may be because Pakistan has the disadvantage in normal weapons and military.

India was the first to test nuclear weapons in May, but Pakistan followed soon after.

There have been sanctions imposed by the U.S. on the economy and technology of both countries.

# Christian persecution is prosecuted in India

by Jeremy Smith

World News Staff Writer

NEW DELHI, INDIA - On the anniversary of the assassination of independence leader Mahatma Gandhi, Indian Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee used one of Gandhi's favorite tactics, a protest fast, to call for religious tolerance.

In a televised address to the nation, the Indian leader focused on recent attacks on Indian Christians, who make up less than three percent of the population. Those attacks have been blamed on fundamentalist Hindu groups linked

to Vajpayee's Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

"Such violence violates our tradition and culture of tolerance," he said. "Let no one be under any illusion. The laws of our land are clear, and they will be enforced, without exception and to the fullest degree, to punish those who violate this sacred guarantee."

Since Christmas, Christian chapels have been burned in the western state of Gujarat. Even an Australian missionary, Graham Staines, and his two sons were burned to death in eastern Orissa

state this past weekend.

Vajpayee said his fast was also a protest against other sectarian violence, including recent attacks on low castes by higher Hindu castes in the eastern state of Bihar.

Vajpayee has been lashed by both his allies and opponents over his handling of the religious attacks. In a speech Saturday, Congress party president Sonia Gandhi (no relation to Mahatma Gandhi) charged that Indian values have been threatened since parties "inimical to secularism" came to power — a direct refer-

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~Gandhi

ence to the Hindu-nationalist BJP.

"There has not only been negligence in enforcing the law, there has been collusion and sympathy with the dark forces," Gandhi said, according to a report by the

Press Trust of India. "It is no accident that minorities in general have been targeted. This is so ever since the government showed itself to be weak and hesitant in enforcing the law."

On Saturday, one of Vajpayee's Cabinet ministers, who has been critical of the government's handling of the violence, Madan Lal Khurana, resigned.

Lashing out at the right wing of Vajpayee's ruling coalition, he said the murders of Staines and his sons "shook" him, stating, "it was inhuman."

## Threats of North Korea sending the smallpox virus to the U.S.

by Ryan Dooley

Crusader Asst. World News Editor

NEW YORK, NY -- Smallpox, which once claimed millions of victims a year and was then declared eradicated in 1979, is back at the top of a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention watch list, this time as the leading biological terrorism threat to the United States.

The CDCP in Atlanta has placed smallpox at the top of their list of potential biological agents of mass destruction.

Ironically, the danger smallpox would pose to a targeted population stems in part from the success medical science has enjoyed in battling the virus. A global program of inoculations led the World Health Organization to declare the virus eradicated in 1979. Since then, the major question facing medical science has been whether the final publicly acknowledged stores of the virus, held in labs in Russia and at the CDC's own labs in the United States, should be destroyed.

With smallpox no longer recognized as a general threat to human health, inoculations in the United States and most other countries have all but stopped.

At this time, North Korea is performing applied military research at a whole series of universities, medical institutes and specialized research institutes. Work is being performed at these research centers with pathogens for diseases, and especially smallpox.

## Fugitive bomber at large after a year

by Jeremy Smith

World News Staff Writer

MURPHY, N.C. - Perhaps it's the massive forces of federal law enforcement officers. Maybe it's the fact that he's something of a local boy. Then again, maybe it's the conservative politics hiding in the background. In any case, Eric Rudolph, the man believed to have set off bombs at abortion clinics in Alabama and Atlanta, as well as at a gay bar and the Olympics in Atlanta, has become a folk hero to many in this small rural area. This may explain why he has eluded their massive manhunt so successfully.

It's been almost a year since Billy Stiles received the phone call he will never forget. The sheriff asked him to bring a tractor up the mountain where he found a gray, 1989 Nissan pickup stuck in the mud and surrounded by federal agents.

The pickup belonged to Eric Robert Rudolph, wanted in the bombing of a Birmingham, Alabama abortion clinic.

Despite a \$1 million reward and one of the most intensive and expensive manhunts in U.S. history, Rudolph is still at large.

FBI agent Woody Enderson says the federal and state law enforcement agencies hunting for Rudolph believe he still is hiding in the 530,000-acre Nantahala National Forest, which is described as a rugged, remote area at North Carolina's western tip.

"We think he's alone and he's been alone," said Enderson, leader of the Southeast Bomb Task Force.

But he concedes the experienced outdoorsman holds an advantage over his pursuers. "He's been up here 16 or 17 years and we don't know all the routes he

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~Mike Coppage

has traveled and the places he's been," he said. "But now we can say we do know some of them."

Task force leaders refuse to say what the manhunt has cost, but estimates easily run into the millions of dollars. Several helicopters used in the search are parked outside the agents' large command post in nearby Andrews.

On January 29, 1998, an explosion killed a policeman and maimed a nurse at the New Woman All Women Health Care Center in Birmingham.

That night, Rudolph rented a video in Murphy, bought a large ration of food and supplies, and vanished.

Initially sought as a material witness in the bombing, Rudolph quickly became the prime suspect. Charges were filed after nails and other evidence were found in his home in Murphy.

He was later charged in three Atlanta-area bombings, including the 1996 Olympic Park bombing in Atlanta, in which one woman died.

Since February 9, 1998, the day Stiles towed away Rudolph's pickup, there has been just one reported sighting of Rudolph. That day was July 11, when health-food store owner George Nordmann told authorities Rudolph had come to his home in nearby Nantahala and taken six

months' worth of food and supplies, along with his pickup. The manhunt and the 200 plus agents who poured into the area initially awed some residents.

"We're constantly cracking jokes about how Rudolph has managed to outwit them," said Jerimi McManus, a waiter at ShoeBooties Café in Murphy. "Rudolph has really become a legend. It's funny how someone from little old Murphytown is beating the FBI's best people."

When he towed away Rudolph's pickup truck, Stiles remarked: "Nothing in this county has ever been this big." Now things are different. "Nobody says too much of anything about it these days," Stiles said.

On Friday, hoping to end some of the folk hero status that Rudolph has gained in the past year, investigators reported that Rudolph waited outside the Birmingham abortion clinic with a remote control and detonated a deadly bomb as two people drew near. Authorities have said Rudolph used timers in the three bombings in Atlanta, but Friday was the first time agents confirmed a remote control was used in Birmingham.

"Eric Rudolph is not a folk hero. He is a cold-blooded murderer," said police Chief Mike Coppage.

Authorities released details of the bombing following a memorial service for Robert Sanderson, the police officer who was employed at the clinic as a security guard.

Nurse Emily Lyons lost her left eye in the bombing and has undergone 13 operations from injuries sustained in the bombing.

Sanderson arrived to open the clinic shortly before Lyons, where he then approached the nail bomb, which sources have

said was lying on the ground and was disguised as a potted plant.

Working from a safe distance away, the bomber triggered the device as Sanderson stood over it, hitting Lyons with shrapnel.

"Sanderson was not just a bystander at an explosion meant to damage a building," stated U.S. Attorney Doug Jones.

Jim Cavanaugh, division director for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, said investigators used bomb fragments to determine the explosion was triggered by remote. He wouldn't comment on whether the control device had been located.

Due to the manhunt, the little-known area in North Carolina has been put on the map. "Now if someone asks where I'm from, I just say it's near where they're looking for Eric Rudolph," said Mandy Ellison, 21, who was in her first year at Gardner-Webb University in Boiling Springs when the Rudolph manhunt began.

Ellison spoke at the Lake's End Grille, a popular lunch spot just a couple of miles from Rudolph's boyhood home in the community of Nantahala, about 20 miles from Murphy.

On the restaurant's counter is a stack of blue T-shirts with the words: "Eric Rudolph: 1998 Hide-and-Seek Champion."

Residents have gotten used to seeing police convoys and eating at restaurants with heavily armed agents. "It looks like they have put down roots here," said resident Scott Rogers. "They like to push their weight around a little bit."

"I'm kind of sick of it all, personally," Ellison said. "At first it was real exciting with all the news people and the federal agents. But there's been nothing new for a long time."

# China looks to capitalism for strength

by Jeremy Smith

World News Staff Writer

BEIJING, CHINA - The Chinese Communist Party proposed monumental constitutional amendments on Saturday that would give private enterprise a new key role in the economy.

The party's 193-member Central Committee also elevated the rule of law, and the capitalist theories of late supreme leader Deng Xiaoping would have the same status as those of Karl Marx, Vladimir Lenin and Mao Tse-tung.

The draft amendments were expected to be approved by a full session of the National People's Congress scheduled to begin on March 5.

Political analysts said the amendments illustrate the growing belief that China needs to boost its private sector to spur growth. The private sector would be an "important component" of the socialist economy under state ownership, Xinhua quoted the amendments as saying.

The current constitution describes private enterprise as "complementing" the socialist



Photo by Jennifer Lin

A peasant family carries their child across the street in Buyun, China. Chinese officials continue to experiment with capitalist principals in all areas of policy. Last year, a secret election was held in the Sichuan town of Buyun.

economy under state ownership. The amendments still refer to the public sector as the mainstay of the economy.

Economists have argued that despite 20 years of reform, China's economy is too reliant on the state sector, which was built up under the reign Mao Tse-tung, who died in 1976.

Deng's reforms in 1979 led China to the revolutionary decision to dump Soviet-style central planning. Deng's capitalist-style reforms would become the creed

of the world's largest communist nation.

Deng, who died in 1997, coined the phrase "socialism with Chinese characteristics" to justify his un-Marxist concepts such as stock markets and private enterprise.

Private enterprise produces 75 percent of the gross national product.

China has about 960,700 private businesses, which employ 13.5 million people and paid 54 billion yuan (\$6.5 billion) in

taxes in 1997. The non-state sector accounts for about 75 percent of gross domestic product.

However, the state sector sucks up two-thirds of all bank lending.

In April China's chamber of commerce the All-China Federation of Industry and Commerce, submitted a motion to parliament pushing for legal protection of private property in communist China.

China's private sector has flourished under Deng's reforms, but communist authorities have not granted it full legal protection and still ban private ownership of land.

China under Mao was ruled by a handful of leaders of the Communist Party; even the constitution was subordinate to the policies of the party. Beijing has been pushing the rule of law. But that does not mean it will allow any organized opposition.

Authorities have detained at least five democracy campaigners in recent days in intensified efforts to crush dissent, a rights group reported Saturday.

The detained are mainly members of the opposition China Democracy Party.

## White man sentenced for life in prison

by Rebecca Miller

Crusader World News Writer

This past Friday, a white man was given a life sentence in prison for the part he played in the killing of a black man. The black man was Garnett P. Johnson, a 40-year-old handyman who used to be a U.S. Marine. He was covered with gasoline and burned alive and then beheaded.

The white man is Emmett Cressell, a 38-year-old millworker.

The murder happened in July 1997 at Louis Ceparano's mobile home in the country, in Elk Creek of south Virginia.

There was a party late at night, and everyone became drunk. Johnson was dragged outside and murdered. The motive is unknown, but witnesses said that Cressell and Ceparano said derogatory racial slurs in reference to the victim.

Jeff Johnson, cousin to the victim, was concerned at the lack of information. "There's still so much we don't know," he said. "How can you have closure when you don't know what happened?"

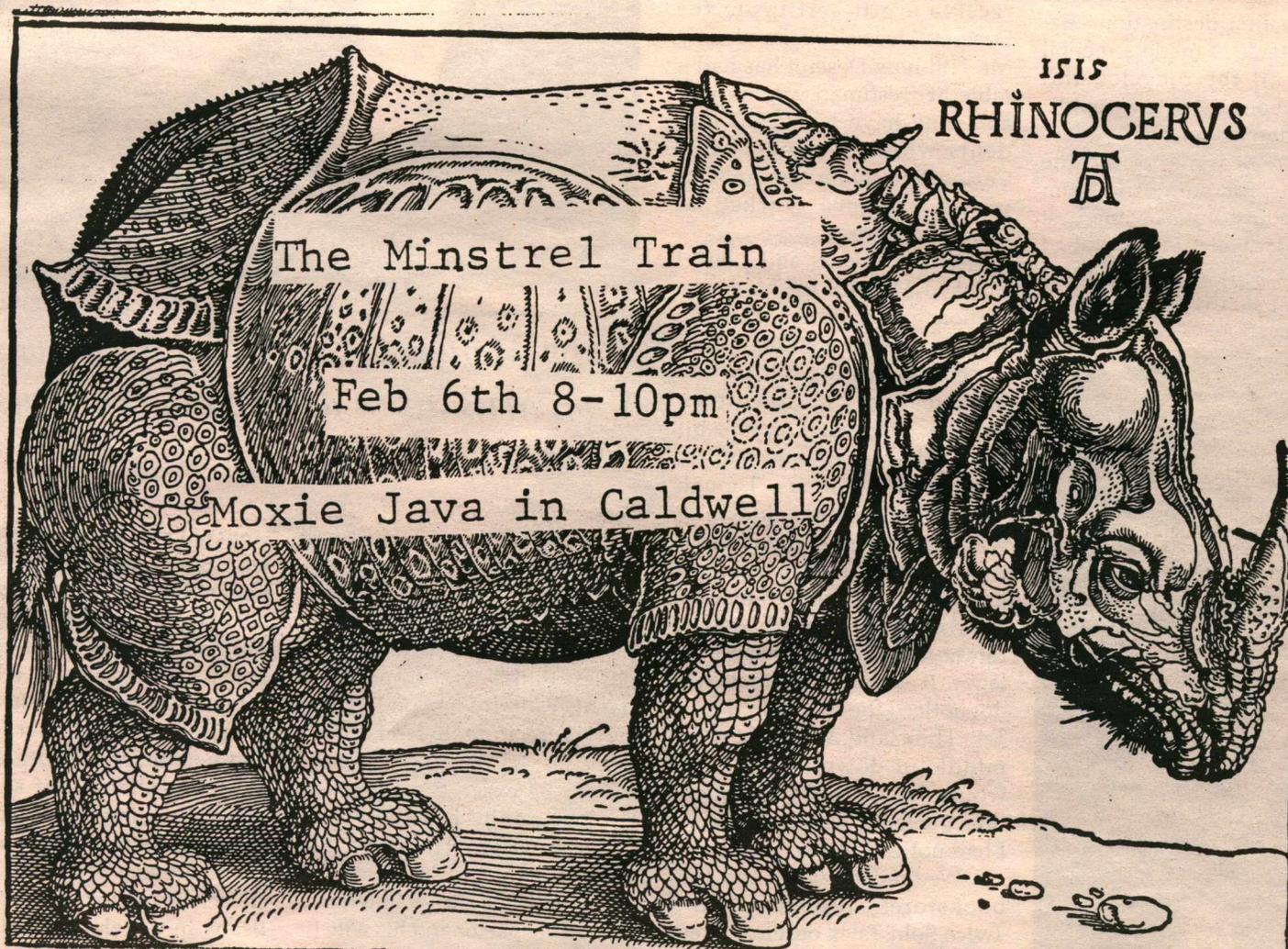
Cressell protested that he was not guilty. "I am factually innocent," he declared. He says that it was the fault of his friend, Ceparano, a 43-year-old carnival worker.

Ceparano previously pleaded guilty and testified against Cressell; he did so because of the threat of a death sentence. Cressell's defense said that he left the murder, called the police and told them of the crime.

Also, his fingerprints were not found on the corpse, on the gas can on a watch that had been taken from the victim; the only fingerprints found were Ceparano's.

Cressell's wife said that he would not have the stomach to participate in that murder with its gruesome qualities. "He can't dehorn cattle with his father because of his stomach," she declared. "On top of that, he can't even clean out the refrigerator, his stomach is so weak." Cressell's lawyer will probably appeal the sentence he was given.

The U.S. Justice Department is currently looking over the case to see if the murder was a hate crime. It should make a decision soon. Jeff Johnson said, "This is the end of a chapter, and maybe Grayson County can go back to being normal."



# Nampa thrift stores offer interesting shopping

by Shannon Adams

Crusader News Staff Writer

NNC students use thrift stores for a variety of purposes. For some, it is a place to find dishes and kitchenware, furniture or books. For others, thrift stores are where they find their outfits for Rollerscamming and other costumed events. Whatever the reason, there are an abundance of resources even here in Nampa. For those who have cars, simply looking in the yellow pages under thrift stores will provide a lengthy list of other stores within the Treasure Valley.

Deseret is the most popular thrift store with NNC students and for several reasons. First, Deseret is the only thrift store in Nampa to provide discounts to NNC students when they bring their ID card with them. Deseret is also so close to campus that anyone living on-campus can easily walk there. Also, their well organized store layout makes looking and finding easy. Should students wish to donate to any of these worthy stores, they are encouraged to simply bag, or box up their items and take them over to the store. If there is ever a question about what kind of donations are acceptable, feel free to call a store and ask.

## Impoverished students venture out into the winter cold in search of an inexpensive deal

It was a brisk winter morning when I started off on my excursion. My goal: to explore alternative shopping experiences in Nampa--thrift stores. What was it in the call of the thrift store? Could it be the deterrent from over-spending? The groovy clothes, or the nifty small appliances? Perhaps it was just the thrill of the hunt. Whatever it was, I, along with eight of my closest friends, braved the harsh winter weather and trekked across the forbidding Nampa landscape toward the welcom-

ing desert.

Because I am too poor to own a car, and too cheap as well, I walked almost five minutes to reach my first destination. Before I entered, I made a mental note of all the bicycles and pointed them out to my friends. They each tried one; it took several different trials to find the right one for some of them. Which would hold up the best under their weight? Which had the color that would be most flattering to the complexion? These questions were seriously



pondered as the small troupe entered Deseret Industries.

An oasis of warmth from the frigid air awaited them inside. The welcoming smiles of the sales people ushered them toward the clothes, appliances or furniture. Several of my friends went directly to prepare for the next rollerscamming event, while others went to look for a new-to-you pair of jeans or a warm sweater. Another girl found the toy of her dreams: a super-soaker with backpack water carrier. The blue section couch was a draw for another, she could not keep herself away from its opening arms.

"There were so many other things Deseret offered though," I thought as I looked around. As I stopped to talk with Harold Hill, the store manager, I found out that Deseret does not just offer an NNC student discount (10% with ID everyday, and 20% on Tuesdays), I learned that during the soccer seasons of the past five or six years (the last season and a half for the women), the player of the week from the women's and men's team each receive a gift certificate for Deseret. I was also reminded by Mr. Hill how Deseret has had a table at freshman orientation, and they have had NNC students work there part-time. Carlos Antras, former ASNNC president, once worked at Deseret part-time.

As my friends and I left, I thanked Mr. Hill for his information, took another look at the clean, open and well-organized store, and headed out for my next destination: downtown Nampa. The walk was a bit longer this time, almost thirty minutes from campus. Though blown about by the cold winter wind and slipping about on the sidewalk because of the ridiculous shoes I had chosen to wear, I bravely forged ahead, looking for the famed Ten Thousand Villages. It surprised me that I had not noticed them before. Surely Ten Thousand Villages in the middle of downtown Nampa would have caught my attention, but today was the first time I had noticed them.

Wedged between the two bookstores--Yesteryears and Twice Sold Tales on First Street South--Ten Thousand Villages was espied. I entered the store eagerly. To my surprise I was surrounded by foreign crafts-



*"The Mennonite church began to collect from artisans in developing countries all over the world"*

manship. Many knick knacks of all sorts were there, and all looking as if they came from other countries. I inquired of the store manager, Rochelle, "where did all of these things come from?" The manager kindly responded that they were indeed from other countries, 38 developing countries to be exact. She went on. The Mennonite missions committee runs Ten Thousand Villages.

It all started in 1946 when a Mennonite pastor and his wife (it was an unusual circumstance, for women were never allowed to travel with their husbands, but something changed for this trip)

went to Latin America. The wife was overwhelmed by at the poverty of the women around her. She spent all of the money she had brought in buying the crafts of these local women. When she went home she began to sell the goods to her friends and neighbors. Eventually the church realized that she was able, by selling these goods, to help these families support themselves. The Mennonite church began to collect from artisans in developing countries all over the world, most of them women, some of them lepers, all of them unable to support themselves alone by their craft.

"But what of the thrift store?" I asked the kind lady. I was surprised by the response. It takes care of the overhead for the store. Church members, between 10am and 5pm, deliver the majority of the items to the thrift store, Monday through Saturday. Because there is not much room for the thrift store, and in order to keep it as clean and as organized as it is, only clothes and some small appliances are carried. As I left the store of Ten Thousand Villages I was amazed at all I had learned, almost unintentionally, from the kind manager of the store.

Thoughts were flying through my head as I began her journey toward salvation. "Why hadn't I ever thought to ask how these thrift stores started before? What would happen if NNC had a student thrift store where students could donate clothes to fellow students?" My thoughts were quickly interrupted by my arrival upon the threshold of salvation: the Salvation Army thrift store.

Gingerly I opened the door and stepped in. Though it must be admitted that the atmosphere was not as appealing as other stops on my journey had been, I was nonetheless pleased with what I found. I smiled as I saw a rounder of uniforms hanging along the outskirts of the other clothing. I noted that draperies, linens and dresses (including maternity) were hung along the wall. The space that contained the store was not large, but was sufficient, aided by its orderliness.

I tripped my fingers along the row of dresses. Some made me smile and reminded me of clothes seen in *Life* when they documented Woodstock. Others reminded me of my mother as a professional woman in the 80's. Some made me check my pockets to see if I had any cash to purchase something with. I did not. Part of me wished that the Salvation Army and Ten Thousand Villages gave discounts to NNC students like Deseret did. But I did not bemoan my fate, for the

prices were not worth worrying over; a few extra pennies did not make a difference to me (though I recognized that for some people they would make a difference). I shuffled over to the other wall of the small store and glanced at the small appliances and old records. There were clothes, knickknacks and shoes, but for some reason I suddenly wanted a uniform. Perhaps it was best if I left before I bought something unnecessary.

So back into the cold I went. I realized the next leg of my journey was unreasonable to walk from campus, so it was a good thing I was as far downtown in Nampa as I was. I was headed out west now, toward a ranch. It seemed to be an eternal journey. Why hadn't I bought thicker gloves at Salvation Army? The wind was chafing my face as I bravely walked on toward my final destination. When I saw the golden arches on Nampa-Caldwell Blvd, I breathed a sigh of relief, "Almost there." In fact all I needed to do was cross the street and enter into the Idaho Youth Ranch Thrift store.

After removing my thin gloves and warming up my freezing hands, I looked around. This was the biggest thrift store I had been in yet. It was clearly organized, I noted, but in a slight disarray compared to the compact organization of the other three stores. I explored the first room: dishes, post cards, books, records and then the opening to another room with furniture, toys and small appliances. I turned around from the appliance room and headed toward another room that opened up off of the first. Here were clothes hung on racks according to whether they were for men or women. Wedding dresses were hung along the wall, some looking like they were only four years old at most.

I walked up and down the aisles made by the clothing racks and was delighted by many of the clothes I saw. Frustrated, again, that I had not thought to take any money with me, I made a note to myself to see if I could get a ride back sometime soon. Looking at my watch I quickly realized that it was almost 5:30pm; time for the store to close. After taking a final look around and warming up as best I could, I slid my gloves onto my hands, buttoned my coat and prepared to walk back to NNC. I wondered what my chances would be of finding an NNC student at Fred Meyer willing to give me a ride home?

*The dresses, "reminded me of clothes I'd seen in Life when they documented Woodstock."*



## Thrift Stores in Nampa

**Deseret Industries:** 465-0722

Location: 124 Holly Street (in the Holly Shopping Center)

For donations: best to simply take items to store.  
Hours: Mon and Sat 9am-6pm, Tue-Fri 9am-9pm  
NNC Student discount: 10% with ID card, 20% on Tuesdays.

**Salvation Army:** 466-8888

Location: 1324 1 Street South (downtown Nampa)

For donations: drop off or, if necessary, call for items to be picked up.

Hours: Mon-Sat. 9:30am-6pm  
NNC Student discount: none

**Idaho Youth Ranch:** 466-2776

Location: Nampa Caldwell Boulevard (across the street from McDonald's)

For donations: drop off or, if necessary, call for items to be picked up.

Hours: Mon-Sat. 9am-5:30pm, Sun. 12pm-5pm  
NNC Student discount: none

**Ten Thousand Villages:** 467-5980

Location: 1211 1 Street South (downtown Nampa)

For donations: drop off at store, items that are picked up are usually for elderly people within the Mennonite church who have no other way of delivering their items.

Hours: Mon-Sat 10am-5pm  
NNC Student discount: none

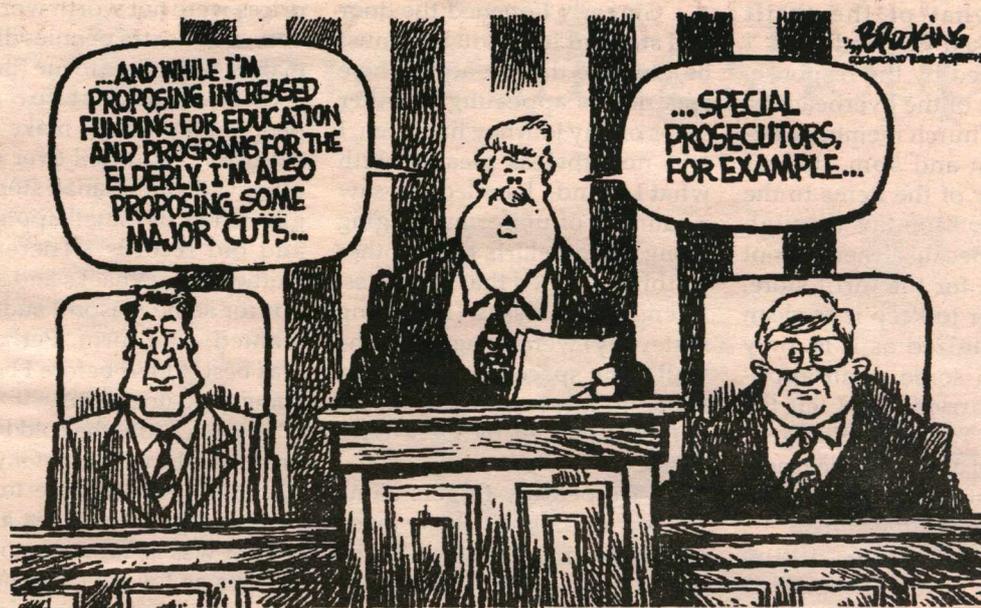


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# The search continues for the God-shaped hole

by William Brown

*Crusader News Opinions Writer*

I don't want to hear the phrase "God-shaped hole" ever again. It's not a thing I've ever given any particular weight to, but the more I hear it, the more it rubs me the wrong way. Yeah, it's useful to the evangelizing Christian. But then, so were swords to the Crusaders. Not that the analogy disproves the existence of the God-shaped hole, but I question the validity of God-shaped hole arguments anyway.

We have experienced the God-shaped hole as something like an undiscovered organ which requires God-sustenance, comparable to our need for oxygen or food, as an analogy for some incomplete part of our psyche, a "hole in the heart" without which we are not wholly complete. I doubt it. For as many who suggest the existence of the hole, there are as many different expla-

nations of what it is. We are not, then, working from common perceptions. We are not talking about the same things. If you want to talk about my heart to me, that's fine. I know what it is. Heck, I've seen it before on the monitor of an EKG. But before we start talking about my God-shaped hole, let's make sure we're talking about the same thing.

What holes does the human psyche possess? Want for friends, for contentment or happiness, for family, for independence? I am not without these voids, of course, no more than you. But I'm not going to lie to myself. Those places in my psyche which I find to be incomplete I fill with their appropriate needs. Family? Got it. Friends? Them, too. Happiness? This is always a good one. If I find happiness, or contentment, or anything similar, I am certainly not going to then tell myself that I am not truly happy without God. If I'm happy, I'm

happy. If I have a God-shaped hole in my psyche, then, it would be nothing like any of the other

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holes.

The anthropologically-inclined evangelist, of course,

might be tempted to appeal to the fact that all human cultures of all human history, at least as far as we know, have strayed onto the path of religion at some point with little deviation since. But an appeal to the masses, even one as big as the better part of the human population throughout the better part of human history, fails to prove anything more than that a lot of people have held some sort of divine belief along the way. But the final step to the truth of their beliefs is not provided in the argument; a lot of people can believe the wrong thing in common just as well as the right one.

The most natural way to prove humanity's God-shaped hole would be to show humanity's need for God. Then it would almost follow that humanity has a God-lung or a God-stomach. But if evangelists have to prove the hole by proving humanity's need for God, they cannot also use the God-shaped hole argument to prove

humanity's need for God (well, they *could*, but they'd be arguing circularly, in which case I want to converse with them even less).

Without delving too deeply into the issue of whether or not it is possible to prove God, I just want to say one thing: I also don't want to hear anything about nature's undeniable proclamations of God. If nature is so loud, it is also terribly incoherent. Perhaps nature does yell loudly, but if this is so, the most it is capable of saying with any degree of clarity is, "Hi! I'm a rock, and that's a tree over there."

So I don't want to hear it. With or without God, I am equally unstable. Maybe I need God, but in no traditional sense. All of the holes one might describe as "approximately God-shaped" are equally able to be filled by family, friends, and positive self-esteem, so I'll fill them that way. But I'll keep looking. Maybe when I find God's hole, I'll tell ya'.

## Your Turn

Random answers from random people on random issues

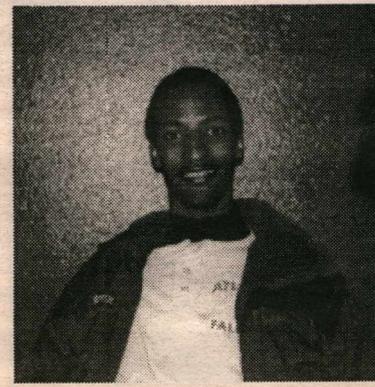
**What was the best commercial you saw during the Superbowl?**



Tiffany Collins Sophomore Biology Sedro-Woolley, WA  
"The Oldsmobile one. It had cool pictures and cool music."



Aaron Bly Freshman History Ed. Winchester, ID  
"I liked the frog-lickin' one. It's always nice to smack around lizards."



Sarawit Hailu Senior International Bus. Ethiopia  
"The Macintosh commercial. It was original. I never saw a commercial like that before. Besides, I think Macintosh is better than Microsoft."



Melanie Hays Sophomore Elem. Ed. Colorado Springs  
"The Oldsmobile commercial. 'Get out of neutral and get into drive.' We like to drive...The commercials weren't that good this year."

# The Thin Red Line, simply not worth the time

I went into this movie with misgivings. I have seen many war movies, and due to the most recent film *Saving Private Ryan* and all of its success, I figured that this would be just a cheap spin-off. In some respects it was, but in others, it is quite original.

This movie was around three hours long and did not really have the action to keep you glued to it.

The movie had a lot of star power in it with actors like: Nick Nolte, Woody Harrelson, George Clooney and John Travolta among others. Despite these big names, the movie just didn't live up to the expectations I had with this many major actors in it.

The beginning was very slow. I was sitting there wondering if anything exciting was ever going to happen. It seemed more like a National Geographic documentary than anything else. The unusual thing about this was that it was not anything

like a documentary on war, but more closely related to Polynesian Indians and animals

in the South Pacific.

As I said before, this movie went on and on. They introduced way too many new characters, and before you could try to connect with their plight, they were killed. They seemed to go from battle to major battle, leaving you wondering if they were going to cover the whole war, or just this part of it.

As far as war movies go, this movie's battle scenes were actually less gruesome than *Saving Private Ryan's* which came close to too much gore depending who you were watching it with. But this movie did have its blown off limbs and splattering blood to satisfy you if you are into that sort of thing. But these moments were somewhat few and far between.

Despite the downfalls of this movie, there were a few good things about it.

The movie really delved into the psychological factor war has on both sides of the line.

There was narration into the minds of the men fighting which helped us the viewer, to try to

the fact that most of the men thought about their wives and women back home, which in most cases helped them gain strength to press on despite terrible odds. It helps you feel the sheer longing these men have for their wives or significant others, which arises from long periods of time without even seeing a woman, something I can personally vouch for from my own experience in the military.

In general, this movie was not worth the time it takes to watch it. If you want to see a good war movie, go see *Saving Private Ryan* which I believe was way better. I would suggest *The Thin Red Line* to everyone who has been in the military or has had some close contact with it. It would be more appreciated by those that are better able to understand what is going on. But to those who are just seeking entertainment on a Friday night, look elsewhere.

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feel what they felt and dealt with what they were dealing with. It shows the side of men in war we can't really know personally until you are in that situation. This is where the movie is somewhat touching, due to

## The Thin Red Line

Starring  
Sean Penn  
Nick Nolte  
Reviewed by  
Ken Stark



in the beginning. Even though it took awhile, the movie did eventually get around to World War II and the taking of a major island near the Guadalca canal

# The claim that Christianity is Dead-part one

by Andrew Yoder

Crusader News Opinions Writer

I have always wanted to make a shocking, dogmatic claim. Unfortunately, "Christianity is dead" is not my claim. This statement was already enunciated most clearly by a 19th century theologian by the name of Soren Kierkegaard. In his book, *Attack Upon "Christendom"*, he makes the following observation:

"Christ's own word [is]: 'When the Son of Man cometh, shall he find faith on earth?'... He [Christ] does not ask whether the Son of Man will find any Christians. What if He had conceived it thus: there will be found millions of Christians, Christian states and countries, a Christian world... but faith (what He understands by faith) will that be found on earth? The apostasy from Christianity will not come by everybody renouncing Christianity; no, but slyly, cunningly... by everybody assuming the name of being a Christian."

Kierkegaard goes on to say that there is no longer such a thing as the Christianity of the New Testament, but only an officially sanctioned Christianity with a hollow name and association, but no genuine Christian commitment.

One might instantly respond to this claim by asserting that the

19th century setting of Kierkegaard does not apply to the 20th, soon to be 21st century. I might be inclined to agree. Christianity is not dead in this world. However, this world is also not the

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wholly Christian, moral, enlightened and righteous world that the 19th century European culture thought it would be. My question then, is this: Christianity may not

be dead, but *is Christianity in the process of dying?* As with all living things, the living community of faith can only be in the process of growing or in the process of dying, there is no other option. Yet, before we can answer this question I must clarify what I mean by the term "Christianity." One might think such a clarification is unnecessary, but I am convinced that what many people confidently call Christianity today is nowhere near the true Christianity of the New Testament. Over the course of two weeks, I would like to point out four things I believe are commonly confused with New Testament Christianity that are most decidedly not Christian, and affirm in its place that which I believe to be authentic New Testament Christianity.

1. *Christianity misconceived as moralism.* Christianity should never be defined in terms of a list of things we do and do not do, and those who describe Christianity in such terms do a great disservice to the cause of Christ. Christianity is defined in terms of a personal, passionate, relationship with God and all of creation, so that we will act in certain ways because of a heart filled to overflowing with true love, not because moralism defines our Christian experience. Moralism is *not* Christianity. In fact, it is anti-Christian. In his book, *Hardness of Heart*, E. La B. Cherbonnier

writes:

"It [moralism] not only falls dismally short of the biblical understanding of righteousness, but actively inhibits and destroys agape... By ensnaring the indi-

*Moralism is not Christianity. In fact, it is anti-Christian.*

vidual in a morbid preoccupation with his [or her] own moral balance sheet, the very pursuit of goodness betrays him... Instead of regarding his neighbor with love, he too often sees every man as a potential competitor for righteousness toward whom he must at all costs establish himself 'holier than thou.'"

It seems sad to me that the "Christian" community of faith often becomes a place where eyes are critically and enviously fixed on each other rather than on Jesus Christ. Moralism does not define Christianity - *relationship* does.

2. *Christianity misconceived as sanctified exclusivism.* The moment we as the church started seeing non-Christians as "outsiders" we began to lose sight of the Christian emphasis. The Church (particularly the Wesleyan church) is

especially fond of the phrase "set apart" when speaking of authentic Christianity. However, if we take Christ's example seriously, this being "set apart" never meant a rejection, exclusion or shunning of the sinner. We all know that Christ ate, drank and fellowshiped with the lost. But Christ's example is more challenging than that, for he not only ate with them, but He also *loved* them. His ministry was not one of condemnation! In fact, rarely if ever does Christ approach a "sinner" and begin to condemn that person. In fact, the large majority of Christ's greatest indignation and pointed attacks were reserved for the religious leaders of the day! True New Testament Christianity loves the sinner, and is not afraid to show kindness to the lost, possibly to the point of actually enjoying the company of the needy! True Christianity is *slow* to condemn and *quick* to accept. Our personal example of Christianity will effectively bring these lost ones to God, just as Christ's own words of love and kindness and the example of his lifestyle most certainly did!

These are two of the four ways New Testament Christianity is often mis-labeled. In part two we will look at two final examples, and then seek to understand what true New Testament Christianity truly looks like, and if it still exists.

# Two home wins make 'Saders 6-0 in conference

## Kirk downs 28 points on Saturday; leads win over Western Baptist

by Hattie James

*Crusader News Staff Writer*

This past weekend in January was a stellar one for the Lady Crusaders. They finished out the month with back-to-back wins over Western Baptist College and Concordia University respectively. The two wins put the ladies at 20-3 for the season, 6-0 in the Cascade Collegiate Conference.

Friday night, junior forward Staci Kirk and senior center Staci Wilson along with junior transfer Heather Doncaster led the way with 12, 14 and 14 points respectively. Kirk went 3-7 from beyond the key and Wilson hit 7-11 field goals inside the key. Doncaster made her points from inside and on the line. Doncaster hit 4-5 from the free throw line. NNC led by a

margin of five at half time, 27-22. They closed the deal easily.

Wilson led rebounds with six, followed by another junior transfer, Alison Kirk, with five. Every lady Crusader, including freshman forward Alison Graham, pulled down at least one rebound, bringing the 'Saders' total to 42, 31 of those boards being defensive.

It was the rebounding control that put the Lady Crusaders on top 65-46 over Western Baptist. Coach Roger Schmidt was happy with the performance that helped the ladies beat Western Baptist by a large margin. They had only beaten them by one point when at Western Baptist.

"I thought our execution was good," Coach Schmidt said.

Saturday night, the Lady 'Saders faced off against the Concordia Cavaliers. After what Schmidt said was a tentative start, the ladies maintained and strengthened their lead to beat the Cavaliers 66-55. S. Kirk hit 8-14 from inside and a whopping 6-12 outside to lead the Crusaders with 28 points, 22 of those points coming in the second half. Staci Wilson was next in with 14 points.

Wilson's rebounds matched her points Saturday night: she grabbed seven offensive and

seven defensive rebounds and fought hard for every one. A. Kirk followed with five rebounds. Defense, along with S. Kirk's six three-pointers, was a key factor in the ladies' victory.

Seventeen steals were made by the 'Saders, compared to six by the Cavaliers. Junior guard Jessica Knowlton led steals with four. Wilson had two blocks, with freshman guard Anna Allen contributing a third.

The Lady 'Saders were bolstered with constant clapping and cheering from the bench, including from Coach Roger Schmidt, who cautioned his team with, "time is our friend," near the end of the game. The Cavaliers took their only lead of the night, 31-30, with 17:44 left in the game, after the 'Saders led 30-27 at the half.

Schmidt's advice worked and the Lady Crusaders easily took the lead again thanks to two free-throws tossed up by S. Kirk, whom Coach Schmidt said stepped up for the ladies. "When she gets into a rhythm, she's a great shooter," Coach Schmidt observed.

The Lady 'Saders play at home again next week. Game time is 7:00 pm on both Friday and Saturday nights.

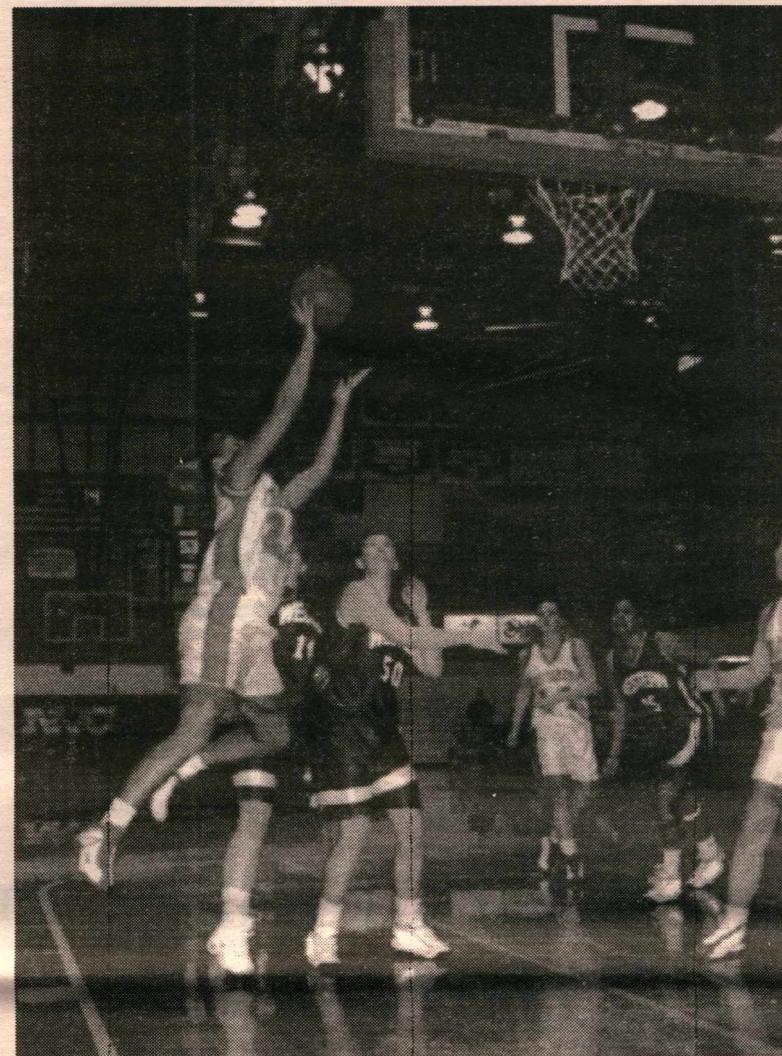


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Junior Jessica Knowlton gets the fast break and goes for two against Western Baptist. Knowlton shone on Saturday night with four steals.

## IM basketball goes on and on

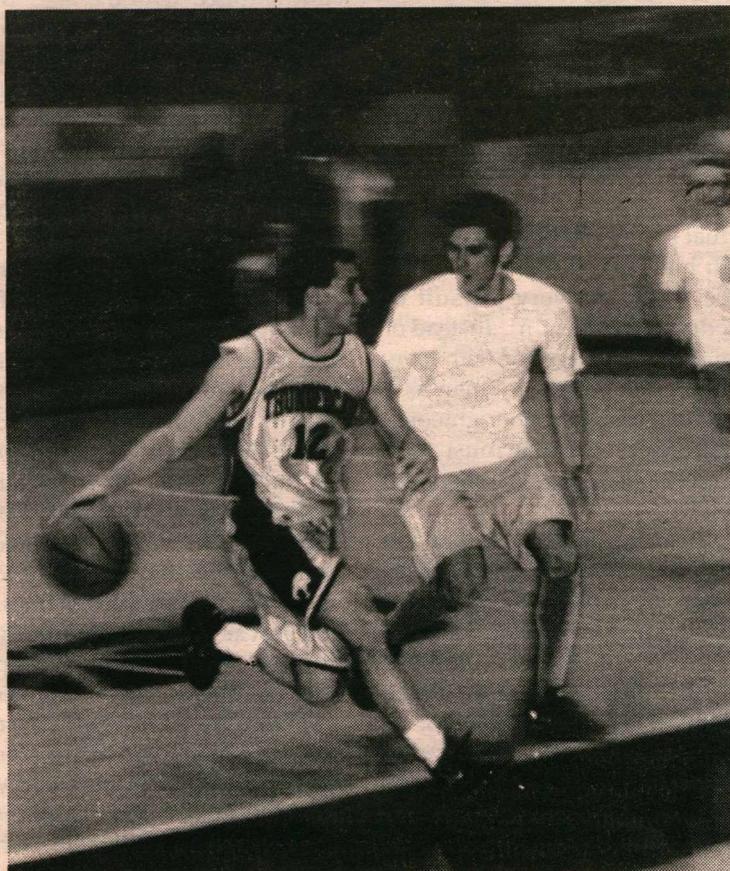


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Intramural games continue in full force. There has been a schedule change so be sure to check the board for game times. Playoffs are just around the corner and will begin on February 15.

# NNC move to 4th in league

## Crusaders defeat Northwest and Concordia

by Craig and Randy Craker

*Crusader Staff Writer and Relative*

NNC started their road trip at Kirkland, WA to play Northwest College. Both teams started slowly with the game tied 6-6 after six minutes. Elijah Effinger buried two threes and a lay-up to open a 14-9 lead. Josh Coopridger then found the range and popped in 12 straight for the Crusaders as they extended their lead to 28-16. This was a 12-0 run that allowed the 'Saders to increase the bulge to 19 with six minutes left in the half (35-16). The teams matched baskets the rest of the way with the half ending 47-29.

Detmetiros McBride popped loose for a backdoor lay-up to open the second half and the Cru-

saders had their first 20-point lead of the night. McBride followed with a three and Jeremy Stockett's jumper pushed the margin to 25. But the Eagles started back. A 21-10 run narrowed the lead to 14 with 11 minutes left in the game. The Crusaders, using balanced scoring, pushed it back up to 20 with nine minutes remaining.

Mediocre free-throw shooting by NNC down the stretch allowed the Eagles to stay in the game as they managed to move within nine as they outscored NNC 26-14 in the final four minutes. Jon Bussell hit two free throws as time ran out putting the final margin in double figures 95-84. Effinger ended up with 23 and Coopridger had 22.

The second game of the road trip took the 'Saders to Concordia to play the sixth place team in the conference. Things did not go nearly as well this night as they did the first night. NNC came out on fire and playing good attacking, transition ball. They took a 19-4 lead behind Stockett and McBride's strong play, but then

both got into foul trouble and had to sit for the majority of the first half.

With those two on the bench, the Cavaliers started to chip away and found themselves trailing just 30-27 at halftime. The start of the second half found NNC doing what is becoming all too regular this season: a long offensive drought. Concordia used it to go on a big run and seemingly take control, but Stockett tied it up at 60-60 with two minutes to play.

Concordia then went on a 11-4 run to close out the game, winning 71-64. Stockett ended up with 20 points and ten rebounds, McBride had 14 points, LaMark Judkins had 12, Effinger had 11 and Scott Bishop grabbed ten rebounds.

The Crusaders are now tied for fourth in the conference two and a half games behind Southern Oregon. We are 11-16 (7-5). NNC hits the road this Friday to play at Cascade College. Start saving up your money so you can go to the game at Albertson on February 12.

# The ten greatest movies from that decade, the 80s

by Nathan Hydes

Opinions Editor

## 1. Planes, Trains, and Automobiles (1987)



*Planes, Trains, and Automobiles* isn't only the best movie of the 80s, but it is arguably the best of movie of all time. Some people would say that a comedy could never be the greatest movie, but simply put, this movie has it all. It's exciting, heartwarming, and most of all it's hilarious.

The movie is about two guys trying to get home for Thanksgiving. The plot may sound less than thrilling, but the situations Martin and Candy get in are amazingly funny. Neal Page (Steve Martin) is a straight-laced marketing executive who accidentally meets up with Del Griffith (John Candy), a shower-curtain ring salesman who is an annoying, yet loveable slob.

John Candy and Steve Martin make a great team. The laughs continue from start to finish, and every scene is worth memorizing and quoting to friends. If you want a great movie, I couldn't recommend a better movie than *Planes, Trains, and Automobiles*.

## 2. Raiders of the Lost Ark (1981)



The verdict is in. *Raiders of the Lost Ark* is the best action movie of all time. This 150 minute epic was a huge success in the early 80s, and it continues to be one of the top selling

movies in the country 18 years later.

The action sequences in the movie are great. The movie is a little unbelievable at times, but it's Indiana Jones. He can get away with it, without making it seem silly or too far-fetched.

George Lucas will probably always be known for his work on the Star Wars films, but in my humble opinion, the Indiana Jones movies are his greatest achievement with *Raiders of the Lost Ark* being the crowning glory.

## 3. Back to the Future (1985)



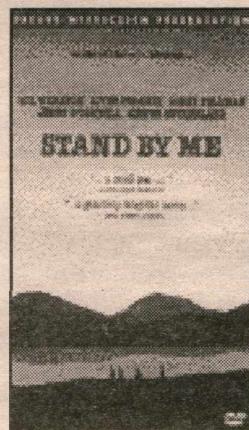
Great Scot! What a great movie. Michael J. Fox and Christopher Lloyd may be the most unlikely team to star in a movie, but they pull it off nicely.

Everybody loves the idea of time travel. Isn't it exciting to think that you could go back in time and change your future? I saw this when I was seven. Some movies fade with time, but this one is just as good now as it was then. I don't even mind the Huey Lewis and the News music which is played throughout the film.

One of the greatest things about this movie is the originality of it. I can't think of many movies that are as creative or interesting.

The two sequels were good too, but the first is definitely the best.

## 4. Stand by Me (1986)



In the tradition of nothing before it comes the movie, *Stand by Me*. Many people are surprised to learn that this exciting and emotional movie was written by Stephen King.

The movie takes place in the mid-50s, and is built around four 12-year old boys who sneak away to find the body of a classmate named Ray Brower who was hit by a train. The body of the young boy was never found by police, and the four kids are determined to find him and be on the

five o'clock news.

The story was originally called "The Body" and appeared in the book *Four Seasons* by Stephen King which also contained "The Shawshank Redemption."

The all-star cast includes River Phoenix, Wil Wheaton, Corey Feldman, Kiefer Sutherland, John Cusack and Richard Dreyfuss.

## 5. Creepshow (1981)



Being scared has never been so much fun. *Creepshow* combined two of the best horror film minds, Stephen King and the lesser-known George Romero (*Dawn of the Dead*) to come up with this masterpiece. Most horror movies in the 80s were cheesy, and they all had the typical sex scene and buckets of orange stuff that was supposed to look like blood.

*Creepshow* doesn't rely on gore and piles of corpses to entertain. Instead, it gives us five short stories. Five terrifying and interesting stories that are guaranteed to make you sleep with the lights on for the next few nights.

When you think of 80s horror movies, you usually think of *Friday the 13th* and *Nightmare on Elm St.*, and other movies that involve pretty cool death scenes, but basically weak plots. *Creepshow* is refreshing and is one movie you can watch over and over again and still get scared every time.

## 6. Die Hard (1988)



There have been so many movies where one guy has to go up against a huge group of bad guys. The odds are against him, but somehow he overcomes those odds, and the bad guys can't seem to kill him. He just keeps turning up like a bad penny.

*Die Hard* fits this description,

but the way it is different is that it was the first. It inspired many movies to come in following years.

This movie highlights Bruce Willis' career. It was after *Moonlighting* and before *Mercury Rising*.

*Die Hard* is a blow 'em up action movie, but it goes beyond just that. By the time the movie is coming to the end, you can't help but stand up and cheer for the good guy. This is a must-see for anyone who has ever enjoyed an action flick.

## 7. Ferris Bueller's Day Off (1986)



*Ferris Bueller's Day Off* is a movie about nothing. The simplicity of it is amazing. It's about a kid who plays hookey and decides to have a day on the town with his best friend Cameron and his girlfriend Sloan.

Some people don't get the movie. They find it extremely boring and stupid. But they miss the point. *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* isn't trying to get the audience lost in plot twists. It simply wants to show you a day in the life of a very creative high school kid who skips one day of school and spends the rest of the movie trying not to get caught.

This is just one of those movies you have to see to appreciate. So if you haven't seen it, I suggest you rent it.

## 8. The Naked Gun (1988)



*The Naked Gun* is stupid. You have to realize this before you watch it. This isn't dr̄y or clever

humor. It's the kind of humor that hits you over the head with its bluntness.

Even though this movie won't challenge your intellect, it will have you rolling on the floor and finding your cheeks aching from laughing for 90 straight minutes.

It is by the creators of *Airplane!* and *Hot Shots*, but it surpasses both of these movies by far. Slapstick movies aren't always great. As a matter of fact, a lot of them stink. *Dracula*, *Dead and Loving It* and *Spy Hard* are both terrible movies. They're in the same category as the *Naked Gun*, but they can't compare. The *Naked Gun* may possibly be the funniest movie of all time. How many other movies have a scene where Reggie Jackson tries to kill the queen of England?

## 9. Return of the Jedi (1983)



As much as I hate being trendy, this is a great movie. There's no two ways about it. Although it's sad when Yoda dies, this movie has many redeeming qualities. Since all of us have seen it about 14 times, I'm not going to go into great detail about this movie other than saying it's a good one.

## 10. Lethal Weapon 2 (1989)

This movie makes the list not only because it's a great movie, but because it's the only movie I can think of where the sequel is better than the first one.

The first *Lethal Weapon* is good, but it doesn't flow as well as the second one. The two main characters (Mel Gibson and Danny Glover) spend most of the first movie fighting and yelling at each other. By the time part two comes around, they're good buddies and the movie has a lighter feel to it. The chemistry between Gibson and Glover is great.

*Lethal Weapon 2* has great action scenes as well as some hilarious parts with Joe Pesci as Leo Getz. All four of the films in the series are good, but two is the best.

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## Possum by Ryan Close



# Will Saddam take it sitting down this time?

Since nobody else has been able to, I came up with a plan for dealing with Saddam Hussein.

As you know if you pay attention to foreign affairs, Saddam Hussein is the head honcho of Iraq, which may or may not be the same country as Iran. We hate Saddam because he's always going on TV and smirking and saying things about us. We're not sure what he says, because he deliberately speaks in a foreign language, but a classified Central Intelligence Agency analysis recently leaked to The New York Times said, "We think one of the words is 'wiener heads.'"

Every few months we, as a nation, just get FED UP with Saddam, and we fire a batch of high-tech, extremely accurate missiles - supplied by concerned taxpayers for roughly \$1 million per missile - at strategic buildings in Iraq. Then our leaders display aerial photographs showing that we have destroyed these buildings, vanquished them, really kicked their butts. This makes everybody feel better for 25 minutes, then we see Saddam on the tube AGAIN, wearing his stupid beret, rubbing us the wrong way, until

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finally we just can't STAND it any more and we whack some MORE Iraqi buildings.

Perhaps you're wondering: "Why are we shooting buildings? Why don't we aim these extremely accurate missiles at Saddam? Or, better yet, why not take care of the problem by giving the million dollars, in unmarked bills, to an extremely accurate person with a name like Vincent 'Vinny The Polyp' Sarcoma?"

The answer is that, under federal law, we are not allowed to kill a foreign leader, even if he is really ticking us off. We can kill OTHER people who happen to be in the foreign leader's country, especially if they are inside the buildings we shoot. But legally we may not kill the actual foreign leader personally. This may not make a ton of sense, but it's federal law, and we must obey it, just as we must obey other federal

laws that we do not understand. (Speaking of which, Kenneth Starr has obtained evidence strongly indicating that Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinsky DID, on December 3, 1997, at approximately 4:42 p.m., remove the tag from a mattress; you will hear much more on this in the months and years to come.)

So this is the problem: We can't shoot Saddam, and it doesn't seem to bother him when we shoot his buildings. Is there a solution? Yes. It is a solution that requires us to unleash a force that, frankly, most of us would rather not even think about — perhaps the most feared, the most deadly, the most evil force that the human race was ever foolish enough to create. That's right: plumbing.

I conceived of this plan after receiving a fascinating document from alert mechanical engineer Keith Ritter. The document was written by Julius Ballanco, president of JB Engineering and Code Consulting; it was published in the October 1998 issue of PM Engineering, and it is entitled "Violently Fracturing Water Closets," which I assume I do not need to tell you would be an excellent

name for a rock band.

"Violently Fracturing Water Closets" begins with a chilling story: An individual — described in the Ballanco article only as "an individual" — flushes a toilet in a high-rise building and is "injured by flying shards of vitreous china."

Needless to say, this incident raised a question in Mr. Ballanco's mind, namely: Wouldn't "The Flying Shards" also be an excellent name for a rock band?

No, seriously, the question it raised was: What caused the water closet to fracture violently? This question led to a series of experiments at (I am not making any of this up) the Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, N.J., in which different amounts of pressurized air were introduced into a plumbing system. The result was several pages of extremely scientific-looking charts and graphs, plus a really cool time-sequence photograph of a toilet exploding.

Here is the question: We cannot legally kill a foreign leader, but does it state, anywhere in our body of federal law, that we cannot cause a foreign leader's com-

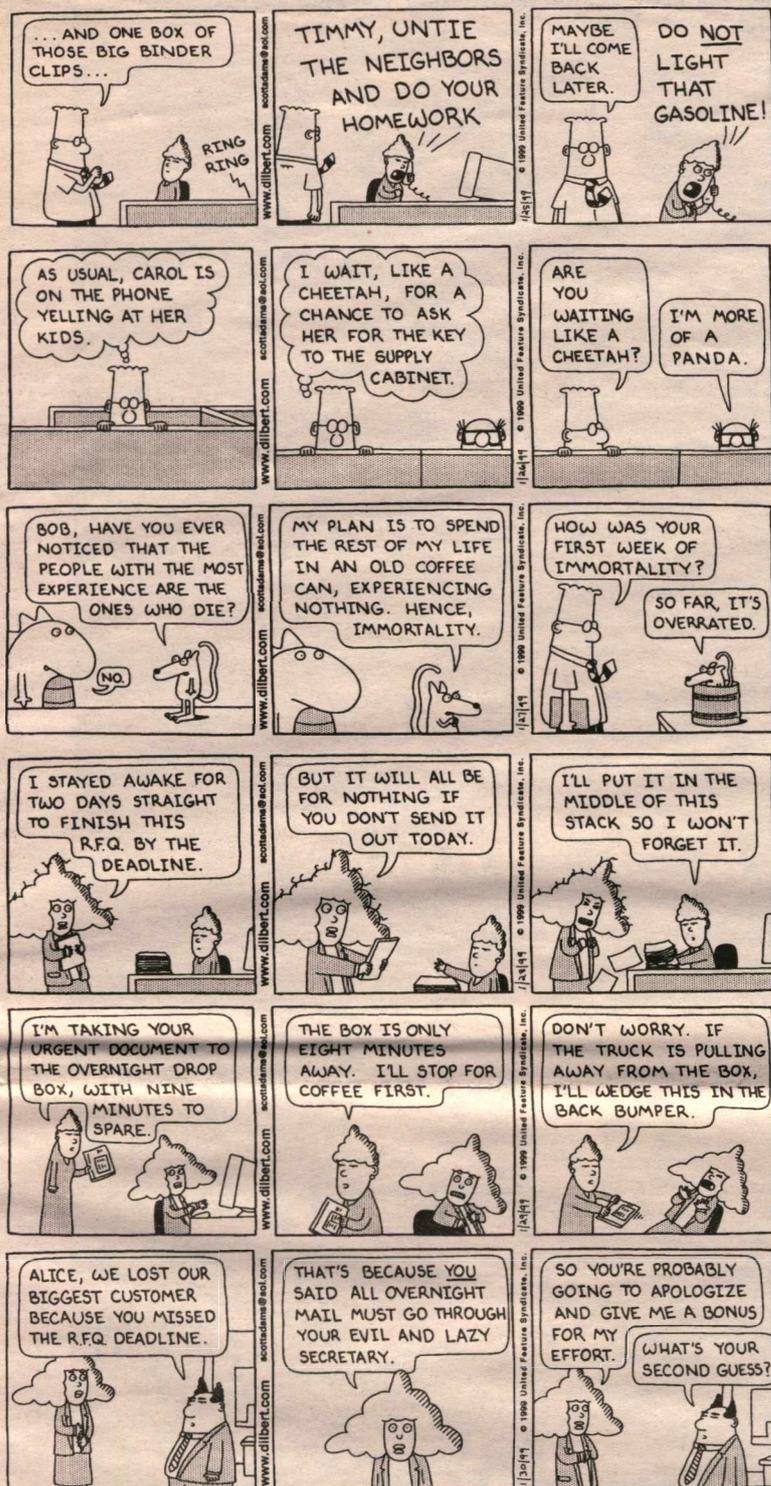
mode to fracture violently while he is using it? To answer that question, I called the United States Supreme Court, but it was Sunday during the NFL playoffs and nobody answered. I view that as a ruling in my favor. If the Supreme Court had wanted to, it could easily have had a recording saying something like, "We are not in session today, but it is illegal to blow up Saddam Hussein's toilet."

So I say we get our top military and plumbing scientists together at the Stevens Institute of Technology and develop a high-tech computerized "smart" air-pressure delivery system targeting Saddam — or, as he will come to be scornfully called behind his back, "Shard Butt." THAT would wipe the smirk off his face and cause him to come running to the bargaining table! We'd definitely want him to clean up first.

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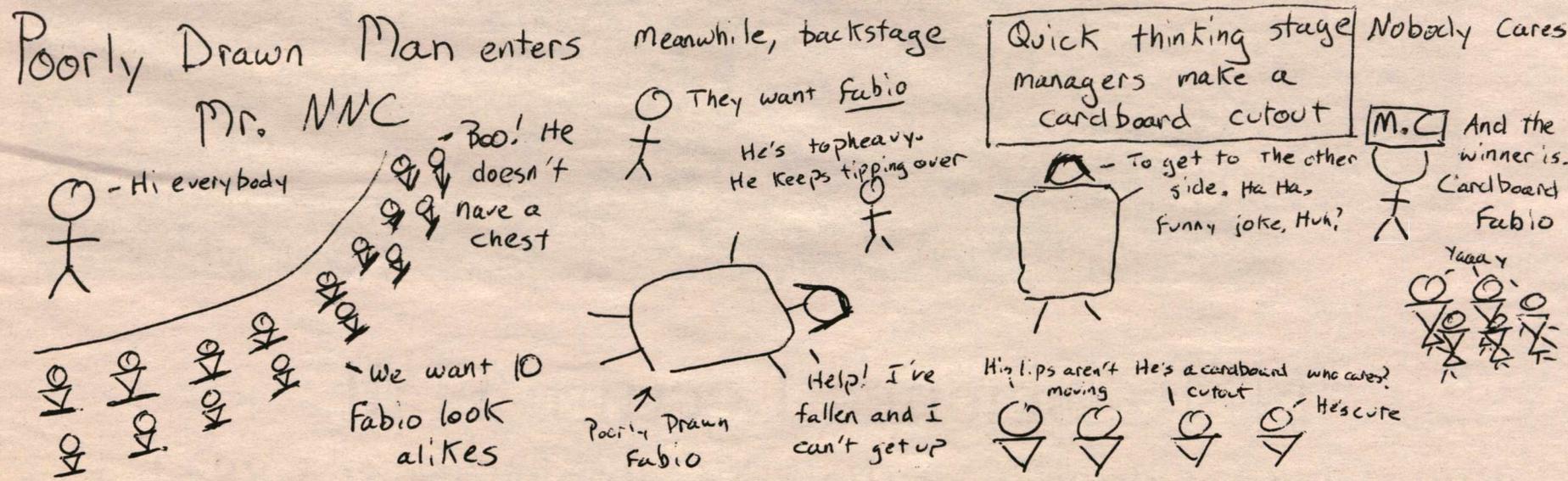
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Poorly Drawn Man - by David Stillman



Top Ten Rejected Proposed Class Gifts

10. Marriott lutefisk bar.
9. Observation deck to convert Clock tower into tourist attraction.
8. Drawbridge over Elijah Drain.
7. Convert soccer field into skeet shooting range so freshman can shoot clay pigeons from the dorm rooms.
6. Forty foot statue of Poorly Drawn Man.
5. Escalator for the Prayer Chapel.
4. Vegetable Prayer Garden dedicated to Science students.
3. Stuffed ducks from Elijah drain.
2. New seat cushions for Swayne Auditorium (to be used in the event of a water landing or teary chapel).
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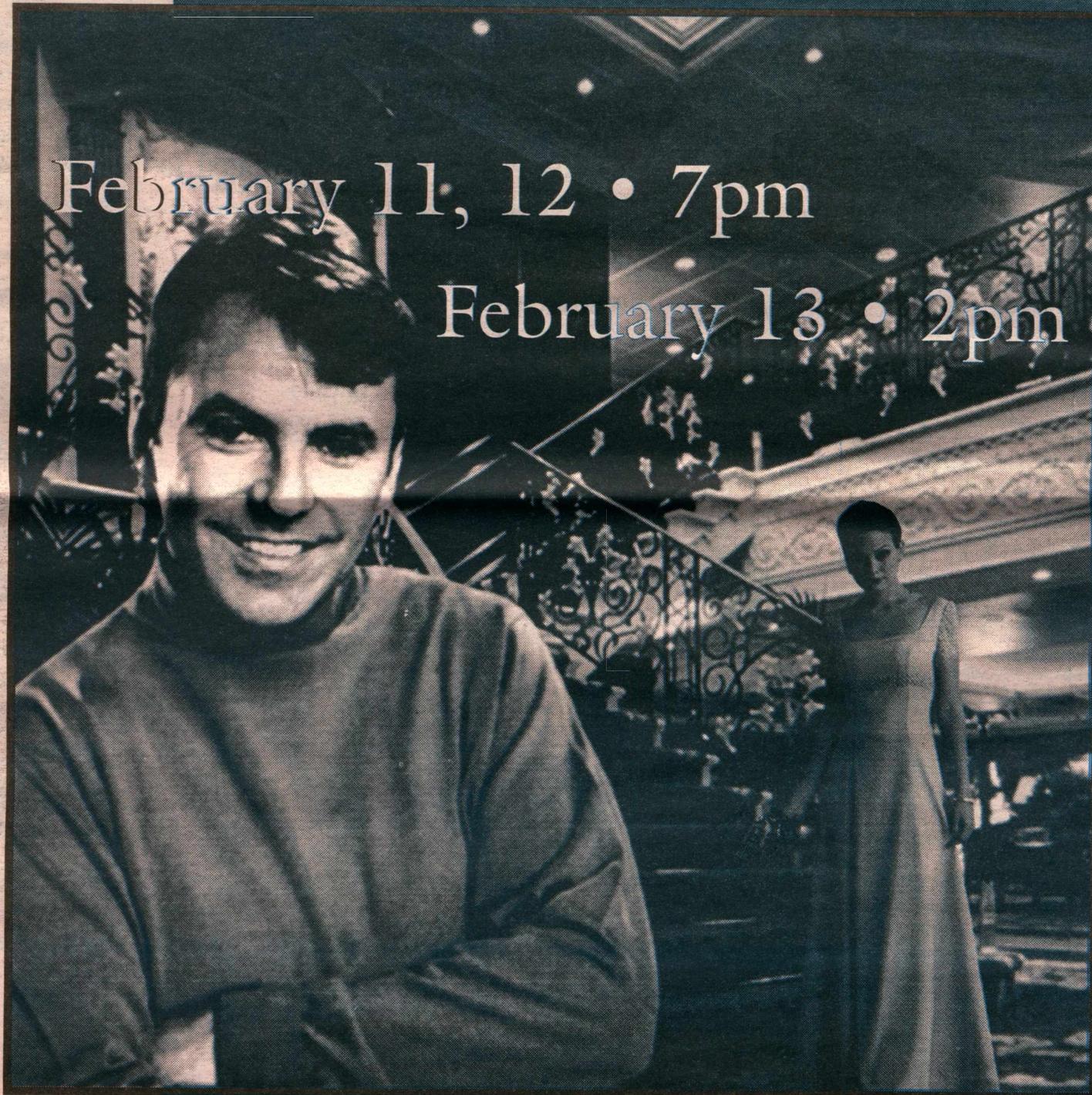
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