

Students share world travels from the summer

Campus Life

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NNU welcomes 425 new students

by HANNAH BEERS

NNU is experiencing a record year for enrollment, with the freshman class and transfer students being the largest in 25 years.

As the "Tenth Day" of classes has come and gone, the admissions office is now busy determining the accurate count of students here on campus. The official

numbers will not be released until Thursday, Sept. 11 at 4 p.m.

The class of 2012 is projected to be 27-28% larger than last year's class, said the admissions office. The class is incredibly diverse, with about 14% of the students being non-white students. Approximately 312-315 students are represented in the freshman class

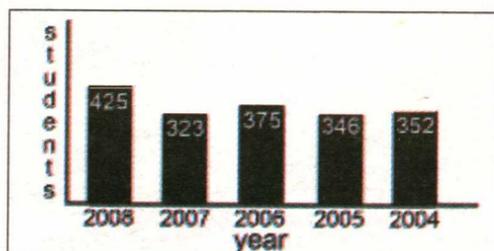
along with 75-80 transfer students.

This includes a large freshman and transfer class and

but have decided to return to NNU this fall, said the admissions office.

Statistics for individual campus visits and combined visits (Explores and Friday Escapes) show numbers have increased. There were 556 individual campus visits last year

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We have over 425 new students enrolled this fall.

a good cadre of students that weren't here last spring

Handicapped access on Campus

NNU's access for physically disabled students and visitors. Is it enough?

NEWS



The Sarah Palin Question

The pros and cons of John McCain's, running mate.

OPINION



Running like the wind



Freshman Josh Merioles sprints to the finish at the Roger Curren Invitational Saturday at West Park in Nampa. Senior Ashely Puga led the women to a third place team finish with an individual seventh place finish. Josh Wageman led the men to a fourth place team finish with an individual eighteenth place finish. Wageman is in his second year of cross country after switching from baseball (photo by Aimee Niles).

A Brighter Future sponsors a community forum series

by ANDREA SCHILLING

With the November election hot on the nation's heels, a discussion of current issues has been organized to better educate our neighborhoods. The Nampa Community Dialogue Series hopes to achieve this goal: that Nampa citizens can learn from each other on various political issues as Election Day quickly approaches.

A Brighter Future Campaign, locally working to elect Sunny Freeman to the Idaho House of Representatives, sponsors the series.

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TV favorites return this fall

Katie Thompson gives a full rundown of TV favorites and new network shows appearing this fall.



A&E

Weather

THURSDAY Mostly sunny. Hi: 78° Low: 45°	FRIDAY Sunny. Hi: 81° Low: 48°
SATURDAY Sunny. Hi: 82° Low: 48°	SUNDAY Sunny. Hi: 82° Low: 47°
MONDAY Sunny. Hi: 83° Low: 49°	TUESDAY Sunny. Hi: 84° Low: 49°

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New opportunities for humanities students

by ALLISON HAWN

The new department of behavioral sciences and cultural studies is offering the new major of criminal justice.

NNU has previously offered a criminal justice minor, but on Aug. 25 criminal justice was approved as a degree earning major. However, it won't show in the

catalog until fall of 2009, said Dr. Glenda Andrews.

The criminal justice major is a multi-directional line of study. Andrews said, "If you like psychology and sociology it's a good major."

The course list for this new opportunity is about equal parts psychology and sociology.

While the major seems slanted toward police work,

it touches on other fields as well. Students who are wanting to get degrees in criminal justice have a wide variety of career choices available to them including private investigation, prison administration, pre-law work, employment with federal agencies and work in the court system, said Andrews.

"The way we've designed

this one is so that it has a very positive foundation," said Andrews.

According to Andrews, four students are in line to become criminal justice majors when the catalog changes.

If you would like more information on this new major, contact any one of the professors in the sociology or psychology offices.

Improvements are being made to meet ADA standards

Older campus building face problems for physically disabled students

BY ANDREA SCHILLING and
TREVAN HAUCK

Northwest Nazarene University is required to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. There are, however, shortcomings on the part of the university in following such regulations associated with the act.

In 1991 the ADA was passed, which serves as a reiteration and extension of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Both of these pieces of legislation were enacted to create rights, standards and accessibility to those with physical and mental disabilities.

Both acts provide financial aid, equal opportunity and education rights. On the campus of NNU, these acts serve as a NNU for students with disabilities under Title III of the ADA.

According to Title III of ADA, "An individual with a disability is a person who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, has a record of such an impairment or is regarded as having such impairment."

As noted in the ADA, major life activities include, "functions such as caring for

oneself, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working."

Director of the Academic Support Center, Barbara Howard, works to ensure NNU meets ADA standards, including both learning and physical disabilities.

"I was told this building would be torn down in eight years. That was fifteen years ago."

Howard said the school has done a good job in its accommodation for those with learning disabilities by providing tutors to hiring scribes.

However, discrepancies can be noted throughout campus as far as accessibility and safety for those physically impaired. The ADA requires campuses like that of NNU must do everything "readily achievable" to make educational facilities accessible to all students. This guideline is not being universally followed on campus.

The Emerson Administration Building is outdated in its availability to disabled

students as stairs are the only way to access the bottom and top floors. Howard's office, which deals directly with handicapped students, is located on the bottom floor; therefore inaccessible to some of the students it aims to help. Vice President for Enrollment Services and Marketing, Eric Forseth said there has been talk of a future learning resource center, which would be accessible to all students.

Furthermore, the second floor of the building is not accessible to students with manual wheelchairs, as the grade is far higher than the maximum ADA approved rise over run ratio of 1:12 (raising 1 inch in height over 12 inches in length).

"I was told this building would be torn down in eight years. That was fifteen years ago," said Ed Castledine of Academic Affairs.

Aside from buildings, other barriers are in place which hinder accessibility are the university's sidewalks. Both Howard and Forseth expressed concern for the sidewalks on campus.

The ADA says sidewalks need to be 36 inches wide, a guideline which is being met. However, sidewalks are

raised up over 2 1/2 inches in some areas increasing a concern for safety and overall accessibility. Some sidewalks have yet to be curbed, for instance students will find a 7-inch raise in concrete on the way to the admissions building.

Director of Admissions Stacey Berggren said admissions "does not do anything to attract students with physical disabilities." However, admissions does give school tours to students with all varieties of disabilities, though they are unable to track how many handicapped students consider NNU a year.

Howard, Berggren and Director of Residential Life Karen Pearson all said it is standard procedure to do anything within the university's power to accommodate those with physical and learning disabilities once they choose to attend NNU.

When the Kirkeide married housing was built, a handicapped accessible apartment was included. Pearson said, "The school reserves the right to evict any married couple living in this apartment if a handicapped student requires its use."

By waiting until the issue of accessibility is addressed rather than being proactive, inconveniences arise for both the handicapped and temporarily disabled. In April 2007, Political Science major senior Tony Napier was confined to an electric wheelchair for six weeks due to a torn meniscus.

"I had a hard time using some of the classrooms; it was difficult getting my wheelchair out of Elmore. I am very thankful that I lived on the bottom floor of Corlett. If this had happened my freshman year, I don't know what I would have done because I lived on the third floor of Culver," Napier said. Culver Hall is not equipped with ramps or elevators.

Though there are steps that NNU needs to take in order to achieve a more accessible campus, they have been making progress in the past year. In the 2006-2007 school year, the campus installed automatic doors on several key buildings such as the student center and the Wiley Learning Center.

This achievement is due largely to former ASNNU President, Kenton Lee. Lee worked with Vice President of Student Development,

Carey Cook to get them installed; an idea not put into action by the administration.

Lee sat down with Kara Gibson, a wheelchair-dependent student, where they comprised a list of things they believed the university could improve upon concerning campus access. Lee said that handicapped access is a big issue on campus and needs to be addressed.

Currently, an elevator is being installed in the Wiley Learning Center so that handicapped students would have access to all areas of the building. This is an important measure as the Departments of Psychology, Communication, English and Foreign Language have been unreachable by students with certain physical disabilities. Framing for the elevator is currently underway.

The new science is also currently being built is required to meet all ADA standards. Architect Stan Olsen said the building will be completely ADA compliant which includes elevators, extra wide automatic doors, lowered lab tables and handicapped accessible bathrooms.

New VP: Joel Pearsall for University Advancement

by HANNAH BEERS

On September 4th, the office of the President sent out a press release announcing Joel Pearsall as the new Vice President for University Advancement after the position was granted in July by not only the President but also the Board of Trustees. Pearsall and Dr. David Alexander were not available for interviews, so the information comes from the website. In a quote from the school's website, Pearsall is quoted as saying, "The strength of the office of university advancement is well known. I am humbled to be asked to lead this area, and look forward to working with the Foundation Board of Directors, alumni, community and friends as we continue to advance the mission of Northwest Nazarene University." Pearsall is not a stranger to the NNU campus he has

served for the past 9 years as the Vice President of Financial Affairs. The position of VP of Financial Affairs has not been filled and for the time being, Pearsall is maintaining both offices. Good things are in store for the offices of university advancement and Dr. Alexander commented (also on the website), "He has given the university solid leadership as vice president for financial affairs for the last 9 years and I can think of no one who is better suited to carry on the legacy of Vice President Gary Skaggs in the Office of University Advancement." The school is continuing the legacy of excellence and looking for further advancements in the months to come as the President and Board of Trustees continue to search for candidates to fill the office of Financial Affairs.

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Freshmen mingle at the Scavenger Hunt.

compared to the average of 406.3 in years past. Also, the combined visits were up to 735, which are 134 more than the average of 609.9. Within the past 3 years, Admissions has been experimenting with new ideas for student recruitment and retention. For the past 3 years, NNU has been purchasing names of students to better inform and communicate with a target demographic with area high schools. Depending on the desired profile, NNU purchases a wider range of information. New

admission's counselor, Mike Marston, has been hired to replace Lance Nelson as the officer for retention. He said, "...the admissions office is experiencing a record high of enrollment this year, which could be contributed to several different avenues, such as travel groups, purchasing names, and other admission services." Stacie Bergeren, also an admission's officer, stated that NNU is experiencing a new record that has not been met in more than 2 decades.

A new department joins the School of Humanities

Psychology and behavioral sciences merge together

by ALLISON HAWN

The cultural studies and behavioral sciences departments have combined to form a new department. Spanish and psychology majors will now be in the department of Cultural Studies and Behavioral Sciences.

Dr. Glenna Andrews, a psychology professor, said, "We are committed to being a global university; it's hard to do that when we're ethnocentric." This project was originally conceived by Andrews and the previous head of the Cultural Studies Department, Dr. Newell Morgan, seven years ago.

Morgan has since retired to teaching one class in the spring semester and Dr. Ben Earwicker has taken his place. Last year, all three faculty members' work paid off when the NNU school board officially sanctioned the merge. "I think it's a healthy move for our departments," Andrews said.

None of the majors offered by what was previously two departments have been eliminated, and students will be able to complete their studies. The staff of the newest department hope to create even more opportunities through their combined efforts for students.

In memory of September 11

A new memorial hopes to be finished by 2011

by ASSOCIATED PRESS

The latest design for the Sept. 11 memorial entrance pavilion has a facade that evokes the World Trade Center's twin towers, and builders still hope the memorial will open by the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks.

The three-story, asymmetrical glass and steel building is the last piece of the 8-acre memorial plaza at ground zero, a redesign of a building first introduced as a much larger museum space three years ago.

Craig Dykers, architect for the Norwegian architectural firm Snohetta, said the reflective steel facade was inspired by the World Trade Center towers. He said natural light will hit the building at different points of the day and change its appearance.

"At times, you'll see yourself in the building," Dykers said Tuesday at the design unveiling.

The building, surrounded by oak trees between the footprints of the destroyed towers, features a sloping atrium that will shine light down a staircase leading to the Sept. 11 museum.

Two trident columns that formed the base of the face of the original towers will stand by a stairway that stood above ground from

programs, space for a security area for visitors, a 180-seat auditorium, a cafe and a private room for Sept. 11 victims' family members.

The ongoing construction of the multibillion-dollar transit hub and the memorial has become central to the re-evaluation of the budget and schedules of all projects at ground zero. An underground mezzanine for the hub overlaps with part of the tree-covered memorial plaza.

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which owns the 16-acre site, is issuing new budget estimates and deadlines by the end of the month for five office towers, a performing arts center, the transit hub and the memorial.

Memorial foundation president Joe Daniels said work on that mezzanine would have to be finished by July 2010 to allow the memorial to open by the 10th anniversary of the attacks. He said opening by Sept. 11, 2011, "is both possible and essential."

The Port Authority has said that date would be a difficult deadline to meet, although the memorial plaza could be open to the public for a 10th anniversary ceremony.



The wreckage of the Twin Towers after the attacks on September 11, 2001 (photo from wikicommons).

Sept. 11, 2001, until it was moved last year.

The pavilion, ranging from 57 to 72 feet high, includes ticketing services for memorial museum

One-fourth of the space will include rooms for mechanical equipment serving the complex, including an adjacent transit hub and the memorial plaza.

Change from McCain is like lipstick on a pig

Obama references Palin's joke in a recent speech to voters

by ASSOCIATED PRESS

What's the difference between the presidential campaign before and after the national political conventions? Lipstick.

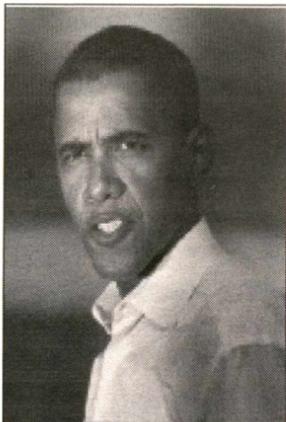
The colorful cosmetic has become a political buzzword, thanks to Republican vice presidential nominee Sarah Palin's joke in her acceptance speech that lipstick is the only thing that separates a hockey mom like her from a pit bull.

Democratic presidential nominee Barack Obama told an audience Tuesday that GOP presidential nominee John McCain says he'll change Washington, but he's just like President Bush.

"You can put lipstick on a pig," he said to an outbreak of laughter, shouts and raucous applause from his audience, clearly drawing a connection to Palin's joke even if it's not what Obama meant. "It's still a pig. You

can wrap an old fish in a piece of paper called change. It's still going to stink after eight years."

McCain's campaign called the comments "of-



fensive and disgraceful" and said Obama owes Palin an apology. Obama's campaign said he wasn't referring to Palin and said the GOP camp was engaging in a "pathetic attempt to play the gender card." Obama's camp also noted that McCain once used the same phrase to describe Hillary

Rodham Clinton's health care plan.

Obama followed up by saying Palin is an interesting story, drawing boos at the mention of her name that he tried to cut off.

"Look, she's new, she hasn't been on the scene, she's got five kids. And my hat goes off to anybody whose looking after five. I've got two and they tire Michelle and me out," he said.

In Virginia, a questioner asked Obama to join Republicans and agree that candidates' families and religion are off limits. Palin's pregnant teenage daughter and the teachings of her church, the nondenominational Wasilla Bible Church, have been the subject of scrutiny since McCain picked her as his running mate.

Obama responded that he already has said families are off limits and he's very protective of his daughters,

10-year-old Malia and 7-year-old Sasha. He said he doesn't want their inevitable future mistakes to become newspaper fodder if he gets to the White House.

Obama also is no stranger to attacks on his religion. He's been the subject of a false rumor campaign saying he's a Muslim, and the racially tinged sermons of his longtime former preacher caused problems for his campaign earlier this year.

He stressed that he's a Christian and "so the fact that Gov. Palin is deeply religious, that's a good thing." He said poking around in her religion or saying it's wrong is "offensive" and he wants to have a debate about the issues.

But don't give people some sort of religious litmus test because I don't want somebody to question my faith and I'm certainly not going to question somebody else's," he said.

AP News Blurbs

Stories from near and far

North Korean dictator suspected to be gravely ill

WASHINGTON

North Korea's unpredictable dictator Kim Jong Il may be gravely ill, Western officials say, jeopardizing years of painstaking efforts to get the Stalinist state to abandon nuclear weapons and work its way into global good graces.

Hurricanes Ike and Gustav slam into the Caribbean

HAVANA

Hurricane Ike slams into Cuba for a second time in as many days after killing 79 people in the Caribbean, ripping across western towns and tobacco fields already in ruins from Hurricane Gustav. With more than a tenth of Cuba's population evacuated, rain and wind lash at crumbling buildings in the densely populated capital.

Palin playing it safe

LEBANON, Ohio

John McCain took a big risk in picking little-known Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin as a running mate. Now his campaign is playing it safer, keeping her to a slimmed down-speech and steering clear of reporters until she's comfortable enough for a hand-picked interviewer later this week.

Bush plans withdrawal of 8,000 troops

WASHINGTON

President Bush boasts that he's bringing 8,000 troops home from Iraq by February. What he doesn't say: He'll leave office with more troops there than before last year's big military buildup and few options for shoring up the force in increasingly violent Afghanistan.

Russia-Georgia

TBILISI, Georgia

Russian troops pull out of at least one post in Georgia and Moscow announces it will keep some 7,600 soldiers in the

breakaway regions of Abkhazia and South Ossetia. Russia's plan for a powerful military footprint in the two enclaves mocks Georgian hopes that a peace deal will lead to a full Russian withdrawal.

Banned books

NAMPA, Idaho

Public library leaders in Nampa, responding to a lawsuit threatened by the American Civil Liberties Union, have reversed a decision banning two sex education books. In June, the library board voted 3-2 to permanently remove "The New Joy of Sex" and "The Joy of Gay Sex" from its public shelves, ending months of controversy and indecision.

Governor's mansion changes

BOISE

Idaho will spend about \$250,000 in private money on a limited remodel of the would-be governor's mansion atop an enormous north Boise lawn, enough to make the home liveable but short of a proposed \$3 million makeover that had included an entrance big enough for a horse-drawn carriage, 12-foot ceilings and dining for 150. The project raises the question of whether a \$4,500 monthly housing stipend now paid to Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter in lieu of having an official residence will come to an end.

Driving age

CHICAGO

Driving has long been a rite of passage for 16-year-olds in much of the country. But now an influential auto insurance group is calling on states to raise the driving age to 17, even 18, saying that would save lives.

Detroit Mayor

DETROIT

Hours after agreeing to resign and go to jail as part of plea deal in two criminal cases, Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick admitted wrongdoing and left the door open for a return to public life.

“Barracuda” is the new face of McCain’s campaign

On August 29th Senator John McCain shocked the country when he announced that Alaskan Governor Sarah Palin would be his running mate.



GUEST OPINION
by
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BRANDON JOHNSON**

Many people had never heard of the Vice Presidential candidate. Most saw a young, attractive woman standing next to McCain and assumed this was a political ploy to attract the 18 million Hillary Clinton supporters.

While there is no doubt that Palin’s nomination will help John McCain with women voters, it is far from the only reason for this selection.

Her resume for fighting corruption, even in her own party, is extensive. She has more executive experience than anyone on either ticket, running the biggest state in the Union and holding the highest approval rating of any Governor.

With this nomination, the ticket of McCain-Palin

is one of reform, experience, and conservative principles of lower taxes, smaller government, and family values.

When Palin wanted to see changes in her children’s education, she joined the school board and soon after ran for city council. She was elected mayor of Wasilla in 1996 and later was appointed as the chair of the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

Seeing the corruption in her own party, Palin ran against incumbent Governor Frank Murkowski.

On a



She first listed it on Ebay but when no buyer was found it was sold privately with the money returning to the state budget.

Corruption was a

platform of clean-government she defeated the long standing Murkowski and later won the general election.

Sarah Palin’s promise to the citizens of Alaska was kept. She fought corruption and excessive spending with the ferocity one

would expect out of a basketball star nicknamed “Barracuda.”

She used her veto to slash \$237 million in pork barrel local projects and cut nearly 1.6 billion dollars out of a 6.6 billion dollar budget. Palin also sold the private jet that Murkowski purchased in his last year of office for 2.7 million dollars.

She first listed it on Ebay but when no buyer was found it was sold privately with the money returning to the state budget.

Corruption was a

wide spread in the Alaskan legislature. Many “good old boys” saw their pockets get much smaller during the Palin administration and a few of them found themselves facing criminal prosecution.

Palin’s impressive record makes it easy to understand

how she amassed an unmatched 80 percent approval rating. After her speech at the Republican National Convention, it is obvious that her nods of approval stretch far beyond the Alaska state line.

Thirty-seven million viewers tuned into her keynote address at the Republican National Convention. What they saw was a passionate, eloquent woman give one of the most memorable political speeches in recent history. In a speech that included something for everyone, the highlights included her personal story, her executive experience, her expertise on energy conservation and alternatives, and her conservative ideals.

Palin proved in front of millions of people that her nomination was not a mere political ploy but a decision based on who could best help John McCain reform our government and run this great nation.

An election which seemed to be all about one man suddenly has become about a small-town, Alaskan girl who dared to take on the Washington establishment.

Put away the scavenger hunts and calm down; TWIRP is still seven weeks way

STAFF EDITORIAL

As fall quickly approaches, the campus looks forward to possibly the most anticipated event of the school year: TWIRP. This year, the event is scheduled for the weekend of October 31. While it seems this occasion is quite some time away, seven weeks to be exact, the dreaded pre-TWIRP happening has already began: girls have started popping the question.

Heaven forbid this TWIRP season start this early. TWIRP is supposed to be a light-hearted event; geared toward bringing the campus together for a weekend of fun. Girls trade study time for crafting an extraordinary plan in order to ask their prospective date, many plans of which have already been thrown out the window thanks to premature actions of overly-anxious fellow females. TWIRP shouldn’t be taken so seriously, such measures make the event into a stress-infested frenzy.

Asking early isn’t a tradition; it only limits creativity and the good-natured intentions of the event. “Claiming your date” nearly two months prior is just ridiculous. Social Vice President Brandon Haskins is creating a TWIRP rulebook just for this issue. This rulebook includes the beginning date for when asking is to begin, and this rule was created for a reason. Let’s play fair, because after all, TWIRP isn’t about headaches.

Don’t fret, freshman ladies: just refuse to be a part of the domino effect. Just because your roommate is jumping the gun doesn’t mean you have to. Take time to get to know those guys in your Cornerstone class and soak in the aura of open house nights. Waiting a reasonable amount of time to ask doesn’t ensure you a “bad date.” In fact, it guarantees that you know your date well enough to know he isn’t a serial murderer.

As the event slowly by surely creeps forward, we encourage all ladies to remember TWIRP doesn’t mean commitment. Get excited for the fun event, but also keep your sanity in the process.

Palin’s conservative positions make saying no easy

When I heard John McCain’s running mate choice, I was...intrigued. Sarah Palin? A woman? It added to my already confused understanding of the



EDITOR’S NOTE
by
AIMEE NILES

whole campaign cycle. In fact, I distinctly remember standing in Tony Napier’s office, holding my head and shouting, “I’m so confused!”

But then, I researched. I looked into the whole issue. I read up on Madam Governor Sarah Palin of Alaska, and the fog cleared for me.

I have no doubt that Palin is a nice woman, a wonderful mom and a decent politician. But for vice president of the United States?

No thank you.

Frankly, Palin is too conservative for my taste.

In an interview with Newsmax, Palin said “A changing environment will effect Alaska more than any other state...I’m not one though who would attribute it to being man-made.” Her statement does not reassure me she will support an environmentally sound policy.

This position is exentuated by Palin’s bias towards drilling in Alaska because of her previous political connections to both the state and the oil companies wishing to drill in places like the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR).

A 2008 report by the Department of Energy said drilling in ANWR would have a minimal effect on domestic gas prices.

Even Palin’s running mate, John McCain, has previously opposed drilling in the wildlife refuge that is home to the largest herd of

caribou in North America.

The likely negative impact on the environment for such a small payout makes drilling there an unwise decision.

Yet, Palin sued the Bush administration for placing polar bears on the endangered species list. Polar bears’ status make the process for Alaska drilling even more difficult.

She may face off with big oil, but Palin’s determination to drill Alaska and the lack of support for research of alternative fuel sources simply heightens America’s dependence on oil.

I care about the planet; honestly, I’d like to see it last a few more billion years. But on a more selfish and daily level, I also would like to afford to drive around town. Palin won’t do that. If she had her way, she’d suck the planet dry and then try and figure out a new way to power the planet.

I’d like to see legislation

that will protect this planet. I’d like to see funding for alternative fuel sources. Someone who refuses to recognize humanity’s impact on the earth and has a lust for oil will not support that kind of legislation.

When Dr. James Dobson—of Focus on the Family fame—said “McCain’s selection of...Sarah Palin is an outstanding choice that should be extremely reassuring to the conservative base of his party,” it settled the issue for me. If Dobson is reassured that Palin will keep conservatives like him happy...it won’t make me happy.

All in all, I have no doubts that Sarah Palin is a good candidate, but not for me. I don’t agree with her policies, her positions and I don’t think she’ll be a good vice president.

Chalk up another reason that the McCain/ Palin ticket will not be receiving my vote in November.

The Crusader is starting a new feature called “Ask Emerson.”

If you have questions for any of our administrators, please forward them to crusader@nnu.edu.

Put “Ask Emerson” in the subject line

Each week, an administrator working in Emerson will answer the questions submitted by students.

So if you’ve ever wondered why school costs so much, or why we water the grass so often, send it in the The Crusader at crusader@nnu.edu

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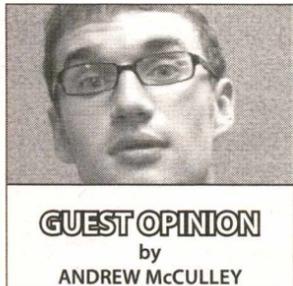
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Dear Ron, your Libertarian ideals and wide spread appeal are magical

Yours truly and with much love, from Andrew McCulley

Last year I had the opportunity to see Ron Paul speak at the College



GUEST OPINION
by
ANDREW McCULLEY

of Idaho. It was fantastic, edifying every inch of my crush on this Libertarian magnate. His love of fiscal responsibility and of the Constitution resonated with what I deem good political common sense. His proposed foreign policy

of noninterventionism and his concern with America being the world's moral standard echoed my own quiet reservations.

The small auditorium we sat in while listening to Paul brimmed with people. During the lecture, I glanced around to get a feel for the numbers and demographics present; "people" is too narrow a word to encapsulate the dynamic humanity found in that room. Although I would never suggest the audiences who attend Obama's or McCain's speeches are thoroughly vanilla, Ron Paul's audience, with its extremes, would comparatively suggest otherwise.

Senior citizens, clapping



McCulley snaps a candid shot of Paul during a rally at the College of Idaho (photo courtesy of Andrew McCulley).

too feebly to be heard, boxed me into my front and center row. Behind them sat four or five men dressed in tailored jackets and ties. By the exit, a political reactionary suckling her

youngest stood in front of a pleasantly bourgeois minority family. Several skater kids sat adjacent to a man in costume, ostensibly Benjamin Franklin.

I wondered at this. How

can such diversity gravitate toward one man? Looking at myself, I have never been comfortable affiliating with one party. I feel ostracized for not meeting each party line.

I love both the stability of conservatism and how liberals take care of those unable to help themselves. I hate taxes, yet I have an easier time paying for government programs than for a military. How should I vote then, being so divided?

My father postulates that a compromise is just an agreement where no one ends up satisfied. I feel that voting for Ron Paul, if not for his party or even the specific person, but for his ideal, is the choice that least

compromises my beliefs.

Ron Paul can be everyone's president, not just the president for those of my demographic or political party. Even though Ron Paul resonates with me, his glamour is not in our cynicism of so many party promises, but rather in his holistic support of the American identity.

Think of it this way: would you vote to limit and alienate a fellow human? Bearing in mind that majorities can quickly turn into minorities, would you perpetuate party dichotomy with your vote and in effect limit yourself in the future?

The 2007-2008 Oasis is at the printer and can be picked up starting in October

I am writing to all of you because I feel that most students who know of our yearbook history at NNU need to be updated as to what is happening with



GUEST OPINION
by
BRITTAN AEBISCHER

your yearbook this year.

For those of you unfamiliar with the yearbook's history, allow me to explain. For the last few years, the yearbook has been unreliable as to when it would be finished or when students would receive it. As a senior, so far I have only gotten one yearbook.

However, I am pleased to say, that the 07-08 Yearbook is completed and has been sent to the publisher for print. We are expecting to get them at the beginning of October. Once they do arrive, I will have a table in the student center where you can pick them up.

As for this year's book, it has begun. The Oasis Yearbook staff has met

and is doing a great job. I am looking forward to this year's opportunity to have a clean slate from past yearbooks and to be able to establish the yearbook office as a running entity that can smoothly run through the years ahead for the student body.

Student, staff, and faculty pictures will be taken in the coming months. Please be looking for dates and times to take pictures and show up for them. We do not want to miss you in the yearbook.

I hope that you all will have an awesome year. Remember that I have hundreds of yearbooks waiting to be picked up from years past. If you are a Junior or Senior and have not picked up the white 05-07 yearbook, come by my office and pick one up.

Again, I hope that God blesses you all as we journey through this year.

If you have any questions you can find me up in Student Development in the Oasis and Publicity Director office. My office hours are MWF 12-2, TTh 3:30-5.

Remember; Oasis is not your average watering hole in the desert.

NNU VOICES

Letters to the Editor

I want to respond to the article in last week's paper that shared the results of the students who were charged and convicted of trespassing. The end of the article stated that the students were continuing to represent the school on some of our athletic teams. I am questioning why there seems to be a double standard for how students are treated when they commit sin and are caught.

The school talks about and preaches and teaches about integrity, and how as students we are representatives of our university. How are having four or five students who have spent time in jail being a Christ-like representative of the school? I know of a student who was caught in sin who lost all the scholarships that had been awarded and was not allowed to

be involved in any type of ministry or activity for a year. This seems like there is a double standard for students.

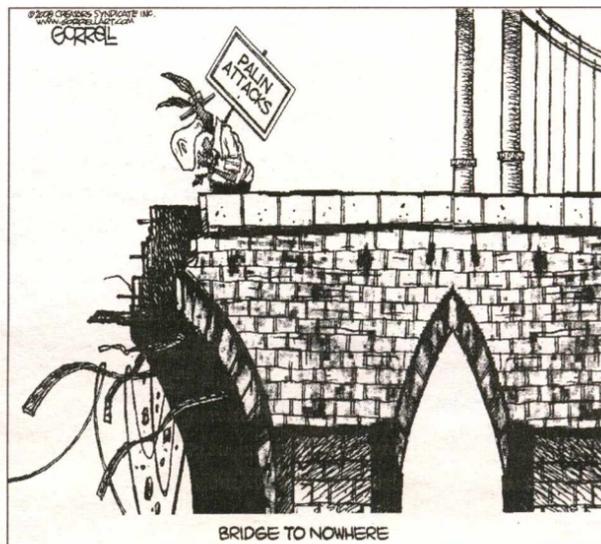
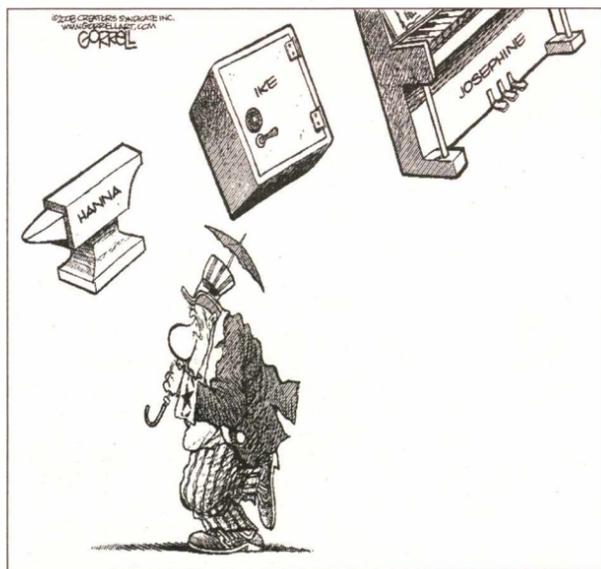
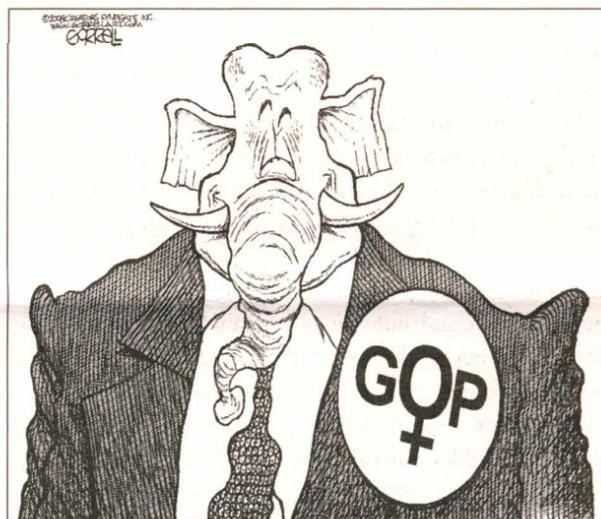
I know that we are to show grace but I wonder are these young men being held accountable for how they are doing. Were they repentant for what they did or sorry that they were caught? What determines integrity in a person's life? What is expected of students who represent our university and do these young men embodied what our university stands for?

If the university is going to let students who have been caught in sin continue to represent it then be consistent with all students.

Susan Pugmire
Senior

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Youth In Mission

by KATIE THOMPSON

Throughout the years Northwest Nazarene has made missions a priority amongst student experiences. Students are required to complete one cross-cultural experience to receive a bachelors degree. This being the case what better option for short terms missions than NNU's affiliated program/ the non denominational program Youth In Mission. The course, which takes place from May to July, offers a ten week experience in a number of countries. Participants, who range between the ages of 18 and 25, are given a choice between thirty diverse locations.

Students are immediately

immersed in the life style and cultural experience of that people group. Ariel Glover, a sophomore, had this to say of her Youth In Missions experience over the summer. "Though I'm still processing my time in Trinidad and Tobago I can see that the best part of the trip was the people. God allowed me to meet individuals who were truly wonderful. They expressed kindness and joy in a way that I had never experienced before." Such opinions are not uncommon among students that take part in this journey. Youth In Missions lead ambassador Hannah Beers, a senior, shared that the experience allows students to help another culture in



NNU students a part of Youth in Mission come together at Bonita Springs Training Camp (Photo courtesy of Ariel Glover).

ways that would otherwise be impossible. Beers also said, "This trip can not only

help you see the ways God can use you, but it call also solidify a person's call to

missions."

If you are interested in taking part in this missions

contact Hannah Beers for additional information.

Students head for Southeast Asia

by HANNAH BEERS

Professor Lynn Russel, along with 15 graduate students and five undergraduate students, traveled to Thailand, Vietnam, and Cambodia this summer for 14 days.

Amy Bloomquist, Lisa Bloomquist, Ryan Hunt, and Hillary Johnson traveled to Southeast Asia for a cultural immersion experience with the business department.

Hunt said, "One of the greatest experiences of the

trip was touring Angkor Wat in Siem Reap. It was a truly eye-opening experience."

While on the trip, students visited different businesses to gain a broader worldview of business practices.

In Vietnam, the students visited an Adidas shop and also several other projects, which had a goal of making a new city out a former swamp area.

Amy Bloomquist said, "We had the opportunity to go and get a massage at a local parlor but we were

saddened when we realized that the women were also prostitutes. The country had a problem with low income and needed other ways to survive. No matter what situation these people were in, they were still some of the nicest and most beautiful people I have ever met."

Apart from the educational experiences, students also had time to break out and ride elephants.

Not only did the students gain a better understanding of the culture but they also experienced a connection

with the culture in new ways with simple means.

Hunt said, "The NNU business department took Frisbees with us to give out to the children of the remote parts of Vietnam, Thailand, and Cambodia. The Frisbees were a real hit with the kids and it helped us connect to them in a way that would not have been possible otherwise."

Crusader Choir tours the British Isles

by RACHAEL FINCH

This summer Crusader Choir with Dr. Barry Swanson and three sponsors, went on tour in the British Isles. The choir performed in several places including the Nazarene church in Manchester, England, the Chester Cathedral in Wales, and in Glasgow, Scotland.

The trip served to be a ministry to the churches the group visited, as well as an educational experience for students about travel and relationships with a variety of people, said Swanson. The choir did three home stays over the course of the trip.

"I really enjoyed Eden Burrow in Scotland. It's a really beautiful city in the middle of this glorious landscape," said sophomore Hilary Johnson.

The concert that took place in the Eden Burrow,

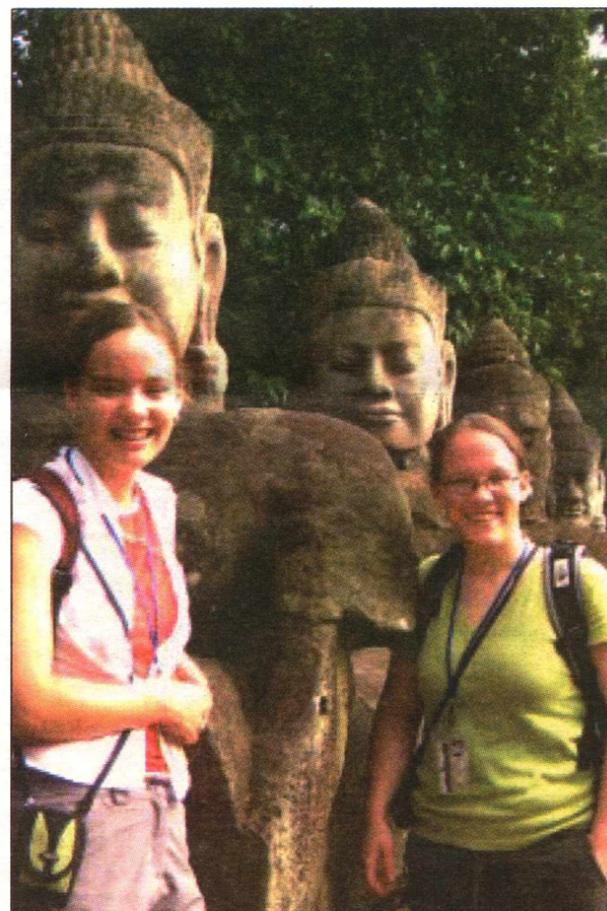
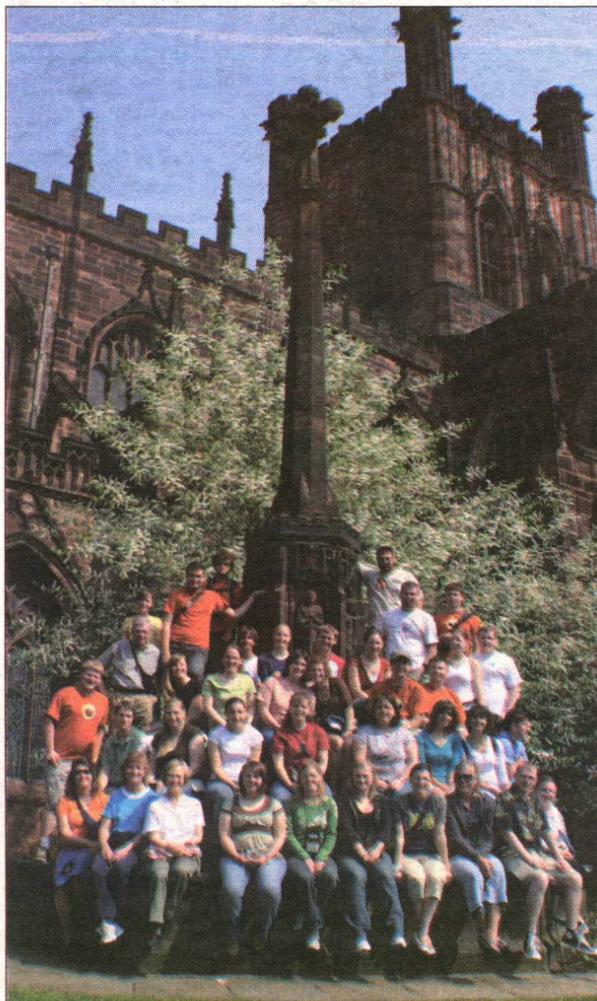
Glasgow area, which attracted 800 people, was at the estate of a wealthy Christian man, said Swanson. The concert also featured the African Children's Choir.

"We didn't dance quite as well as they did," Swanson said.

The group also enjoyed a few days as tourists along the way, including two days in London. Some students continued traveling in Europe after the trip was over, said Swanson.

"The highlight was watching them [the students] explore London and discover things on their own," said Swanson.

At left: The choir poses in front of a church during their tour (photo courtesy of Dr. Barry Swanson).



Amy and Lisa Bloomquist take a picture at a Buddhist temple (Photo courtesy of Amy Bloomquist).

New Recording Studio

by LAURIE BURGEMEISTER

Commercial music majors have added a new studio to the Fine Arts building.

Melody Christensen, Heather Reeves, and Jordan Freiburghaus worked on building a new recording studio this summer.

Dr. Casey Christopher said he's had the dream of adding this studio for over five years and this spring, the resources and space were finally available.

"The three students used the project as an internship for the Audio Engineering class," said Christopher.

Christopher hopes to use the studio as a training facility for commercial music majors to practice recording and commercial music curriculum.

Christensen said, "The studio will be really great for students to use and helpful for learning recording techniques."

The tracking room is not yet connected with the mixing room, but Christopher hopes to have it running soon.

"That's my job this semester," said Reeves, "getting the studio functioning."

Mass communications students travel across Europe

by KATIE THOMPSON

Along with the many travel groups sent this summer from NNU around the country and around the world, the Mass Communications department sent a team of its own.

Communications Department Chair Arnie Ytreide, along with his wife Elsie Ytreide, led a group of six students to various parts of Europe.

The three-week trip consisted of time spent in Italy, France, England, Germany and Austria.

Students saw metropolitan sites such as the Louvre and Globe Theater, as well as lesser-known cities like Rothenburg, Germany and Salzburg, Austria.

Ytreide's curriculum consisted of day trips to various locations and meal time group discussions.

Students were asked to converse over the day's events while eventually forming a progressive story throughout the journey.

Senior Lynelle Thompson said, "I was blown away by what we saw in Europe. You read of historical events

throughout your years at school, then seeing these places in real life is amazing. It was wonderful being there and seeing it from a film perspective."

As communications majors, students were given the task to see the study of art, music, and literature throughout history from a filmmaker's perspective.

The final to this four credit class consisted of pitching a prospective film which had been inspired by a memorable location or experience made on the excursion.



Mass Communications majors pose in Rothenburg, Germany (Photo courtesy of Jeremy Wiese).

NNU uses summer travel groups to reach out to the region

by LAURIE BURGEMEISTER

Covenant, Parable, and Witness returned home in August from serving Northwest Nazarene University's community.

The three summer ministry groups traveled the Northwest, performing at

churches and helping run summer camps this last summer.

The groups were hired by NNU Admissions to travel and represent the university. They spread news of how the school is doing throughout the Northwest Region, as well as shared personal

testimonies of how God is working in their lives.

Covenant is a nine-member praise and worship band. Its members consisted of Stephanie Swanson, Adam Lyon, James Snyder, Holly Beech, Megan Nichols, Nathan Dupper, Jerad Larson, Kyle Blaser, and

Thomas Barnett.

Swanson said, "The summer was a little hectic and crazy at times, but overall it was really good!"

Parable is a drama group whose performances consist of sketches ranging from God's love to Jesus' sacrifice. The six members were

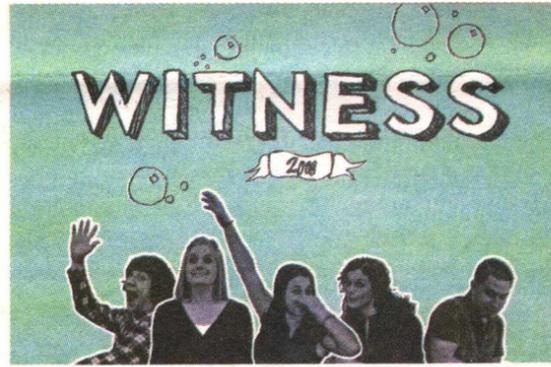
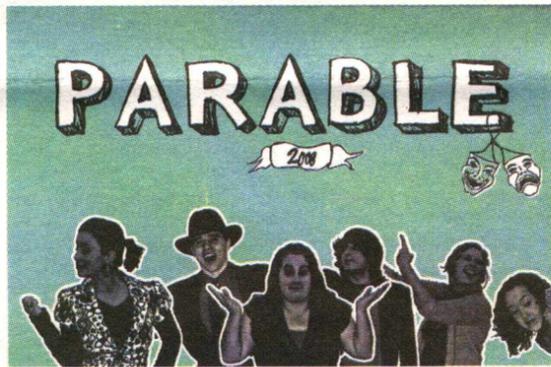
Sarah Austin, Ryan Donley, Karissa Ellingson, Mandy Hacker, Brandon Haskins, and Lacey Smith.

Smith, a Parable returnee, said she was so thankful to have the opportunity to travel.

"God taught me so much about relationships this

summer; with my fellow travelers, and most importantly, with Him," said Smith.

Witness, a five-member camps support group, was made up of Nate Berrian, Amy Carroll, Jael Henthorn, Brian Loeber, and Ann-Jean Pillers.



NNU Students find diversity in Hong Kong

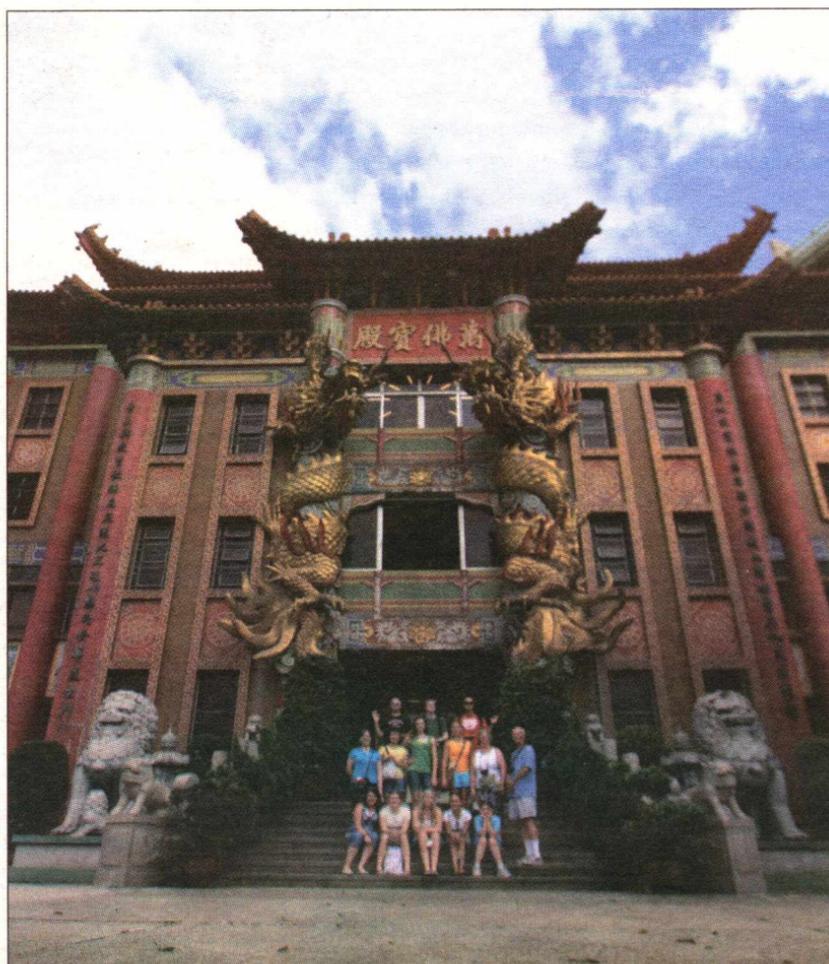
by ALLISON HAWN

This summer, ten students—under the direction of psychology professors Dr. Glenna Andrews and Dr. Julie Au—traveled to Hong Kong.

The students were exposed to a new culture as they toured one of the largest cities on earth, said Au. "It is a totally different culture that they experienced. They got to see how peoples' lives can be so different," said Au.

"The best part of Hong Kong was the culture immersion... it was like being the big man on campus, except for an entire city," said junior psychology major, Rowdy Hope.

Au said she and Andrews both hope to continue taking annual trips to Hong Kong. For interested students, information will be available in the coming semester.



The Hong Kong team poses for a group photograph (Photo courtesy of Jennifer Hush).

Student Life Events

Wednesday, September 10

9:00 p.m.: Time Out with Courtney Little (Student Center Courtyard)

Thursday, September 11

9:00 p.m.: Brickhouse with special musical guest, Piko Panda

Friday, September 12

Art Retreat (Return on Sunday)

Monday, September 15

Freshman Class Council campaigning begins

Tuesday, September 16

11:00 am: RA In-Service

Men's soccer team remains unbeaten



Freshman goalkeeper Mitch Rice keeps the ball out of the net during a team practice earlier this week (Photo by Andrea Schilling).

by Jael Henthorn

With a 4-0-1 record, the NNU Men's Soccer team is turning heads. The team continues its season unbeaten, as it rejoins the GNAC after men's soccer was suspended six years ago.

The NNU Sports Information Director quoted Coach Coe Michaelson as saying that the freshman recruiting class would make a big impact on the up and coming season. Coach Michaelson is consistently starting five freshmen, which have proven him right.

Freshmen Jose Oregon and Alex Mangeac have already established themselves on the field. These Skyview High School graduates lead the team in goals and assists.

Alex, one of four Mangeacs on the team, recorded his first intercollegiate hat-trick against Cascade College last Thursday, giving him four goals and two assists for the season. He has scored more goals than any other player in the GNAC.

Oregon is second on the team with three goals and one assist.

Most recently, the Crusaders defeated George Fox University 2-1. Goals came from freshmen Chris Voth and Oregon. Goalkeepers Mitch Rice and Alex Engemann combined for five saves.

The Crusaders return home this week to battle Pacific University on Thursday and University of Mary on Saturday.



Nate Hamm and Ben Mangeac work through a drill at Tuesday's practice (Photo by Andrea Schilling).

High expectations for the NNU Golf Team

by Andrew McCulley

The NNU Golf Team, lead by Coach Craig Stensgaard and captains Aaron Van De Hey and Rowdy Hope, has high expectations for the 2008 Season.

The graduation of Dale Raybould is a significant loss to the team.

Raybould, having individually qualified for the 2007 NCAA National Tournament, was a large contributor to the team's

success.

Stensgaard says he is thrilled over the recruitment for the 2008 season; freshman Zach Grunig and junior transfer Jeff McDonald offset the loss of Raybould and make the team the strongest it has been in four years.

The team has performed undoubtedly well in recent years, just last year NNU came away first in the 2007 Willamette Invitational.

However, Stensgaard

says, the teams past have been individually strong; this year the team is strong as a whole.

It is a very reasonable goal for NNU to qualify as a team, and not just individually as Raybould has done, for the NCAA West Regional Tournament.

Van De Hey said, "I am stoked" for this year. This year's team is the best since I've been here. I have no doubt we will qualify."

College golf operates in

two realms: dual matches or tournament play.

In the former, two schools' teams play eighteen holes head to head with their entire team.

In tournament play, a number of teams bring only their top five players.

Team scores are the added total of the five members, excluding the strokes of the bottom scorer.

Most of the tournaments attended by NNU's team play fifty-four holes over the

course of two days, playing from sunrise to sunset.

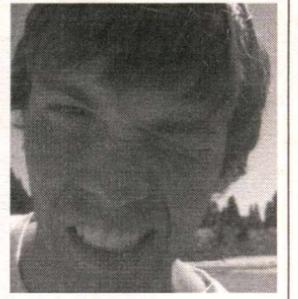
The fall season starts with a dual match against the College of Idaho on September 17 at the River Bend Golf Course in Homedale.

The first tournament the team will attend occurs later this month, at the Western Washington Invitational in Olympia.

This March, the NNU team will be defending the title they won last year at the Willamette Invitational.

PLAYER PROFILE

Greg DeSimone



Full Name: Gregory Peter DeSimone

Year in school: Junior

Major: Biology; Pre-Med

Sport: Cross Country and Track/Field

What is your biggest accomplishment in cross country?

Making it to Regionals my sophomore year. We are definitely going to make it again this next season.

Favorite Quote:

"Live your life to make others look and feel good about themselves." - my pops

Some Advice:

Never lose hope. God will always be with you.

What is your claim to fame?

I wouldn't say that I am famous, I am more infamous. I have a reputation of being a prankster, and so I get blamed for a lot of pranks even if they aren't mine (they pretty much are mine all the time).

What else are you involved in on campus?

I'm involved in student leadership, I'm a PHE. I love to tap dance, I've been known to play a mean triangle. Me and the Dex workers are pretty good friends, we go partying.

Are you a pirate or a ninja?

That's kind of hard, I think I would be more of a ninja pretty much because of Batman (he was a ninja).

Who inspires you?

Well, my team and my coach definitely inspire me in running and my Dad inspires me to succeed in school and in life. Delaine also inspires me to talk to the hotties in the Dex.

Interesting Fact:

I live with three ridiculously good looking guys who don't have girlfriends so ladies if you are interested, we live in Corlett #222. Give me a call 525-2832.

Still searching for their first win

by Jael Henthorn

The women's soccer team played their first home game on Friday against Eastern Oregon.

They lost 3-1 in the match, leaving them currently at

0-6 on the season.

The young team came close on Saturday as their defense held the opposing team to only four shots on goal.

EOU's Lauren Robideau netted two balls leading her

team to victory.

Sophomore goalkeeper, Pip Herman had one save on the day, but brought in seven saves in each of the earlier games. Goalkeeper, Lysie Powers is out with a concussion but is expected

to return to battle for a starting position soon.

Sophomore, Marie Smith made the Crusaders lone goal of the game. Her opportunity came on a penalty kick, after EOU fouled in the box. Her goal made it

a 2-1 game, but EOU sunk their third shot soon after.

The Crusaders are dealing with a young team, already struggling with injuries. NNU will match up against Carroll College on September 11 at home.

Built to Spill charms fans at The Knitting Factory

by RACHAEL FINCH

The Knitting Factory Concert House (formerly The Big Easy) was packed with a montage of music fans on Sunday, Aug. 31, for the Built to Spill concert.

The Boise indie band, formed in 1992, is currently on a unique tour, performing its 1997 album "Perfect from Now On" from beginning to end. The band completed a tour promoting its newest album "You in Reverse" earlier this year.

When I first heard that Built to Spill was coming to the Knitting Factory, I was elated, but when I started asking around it seemed like nobody else

knew who the band was.

I knew it had a nationwide fan base, but I began to wonder where its local fans were hiding. Fortunately though, when Sunday night rolled around, I found myself surrounded by a large and enthusiastic crowd, composed of high school students, middle-aged adults, and everyone in between, singing along and dancing fervently.

Being unfamiliar with "Perfect from Now On" myself, the concert was like being let into an inside joke between a bunch of friends. The audience members seemed to have a special connection with each other and the band. The music meant something particular to

everyone, but they all shared their love for it.

The variety in the audience revealed the scope of Built to Spill's influence. Behind me I saw a group of kids that looked no older than 14 making their way toward the floor. To my right was a middle aged man listening quietly to the band as the college aged student next to him screamed along for all he was worth, and the girl in front of me danced and swayed as she sang along.

Doug Martsch, lead singer, guitarist, and founding member, has a subdued charisma, and a distinct voice. The band's sound was cohesive, but in classic Built to Spill fashion, not too polished.



Built to Spill originally from Boise is now on tour performing their 1997 album "Perfect from Now On" (photo courtesy of wikimediacommons).

Some shows will please, but others are sure to fail

By KATIE THOMPSON

Committed fans will be pleased to see that such shows as "The Office," "Heroes," "House" and "Lost" will once again be returning in this fall's television lineup.

For those looking forward to the assortment of sitcom premieres, options include such shows as NBC's "Kath and Kim" and Fox's "Fringe."

Fox offers a wide array of original sitcoms with "The Cleveland Show," "Doll House" and "Fringe." "The Cleveland Show,"

premiering May 17, is similar to the animated "Family Guy."

"Fringe" offers viewers a mysterious and rather sinister take on Frankenstein-like scientific advancements that can be accomplished the increasing technological advancements.

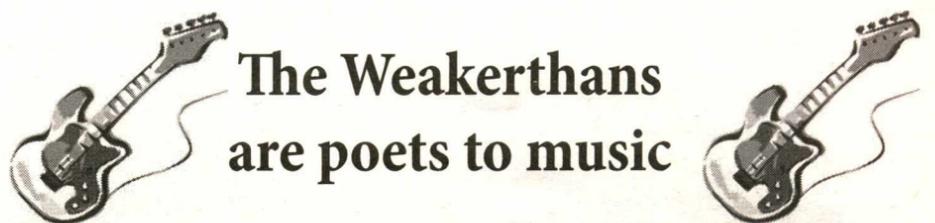
Two new NBC shows include "Eleventh Hour" and "The Mentalist." "Eleventh Hour," which airs on Oct. 9, features Rufus Sewell as a government employed biophysicist who inspects mysterious scientific cases.

Simon Baker stars in "The Mentalist," airing

Sept. 23, as a CBI detective who is best known for his keen observation and good looks.

NBC's premieres range from a remake of "Robinson Crusoe" to premises involving split personality. Show listings include "Crusoe," Oct. 17, "Kath and Kim," Oct. 9, "Knight Rider," Sept. 24, and "My Own Worst Enemy," Oct. 13.

Molly Shannon and Selma Blair star in "Kath and Kim." "My Own Worst Enemy," starring Christian Slater, is a modern Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde story.



The Weakerthans performing at Centennial Concert Hall, for the CBC Radio One program The Vinyl Cafe on March 18, 2008 (photo courtesy of wikimediacommons).

by RACHAEL FINCH

Poetry to music. That is the essence of the Canadian indie-folk four piece, the Weakerthans.

The band consists of Stephen Carroll on guitar and backup vocals, John K. Samson on guitar and lead vocals, Greg Smith on bass and backup vocals, and Jason Tait on drums. Smith replaced John Sutton after the band's third album was released, according to all-music.com. The band uses a keyboard, synthesizer, piano and saw to fill out its sound.

The band has released four full-length albums. Its debut album "Fallow" came out in 1997, "Left

& Leaving" came out in 2000, "Reconstruction Cite" was released in 2003, and "Reunion Tour" was released in 2007.

Lyricist Samson displays almost painfully insightful lyrics to unassuming musical backgrounds, as though he were nonchalantly revealing the secrets of the universe.

Ironically, Samson was previously a member of the punk band Propagandhi in the 90's; a genre and band typically known for being politically and socially controversial, but definitely not for poignant lyrics.

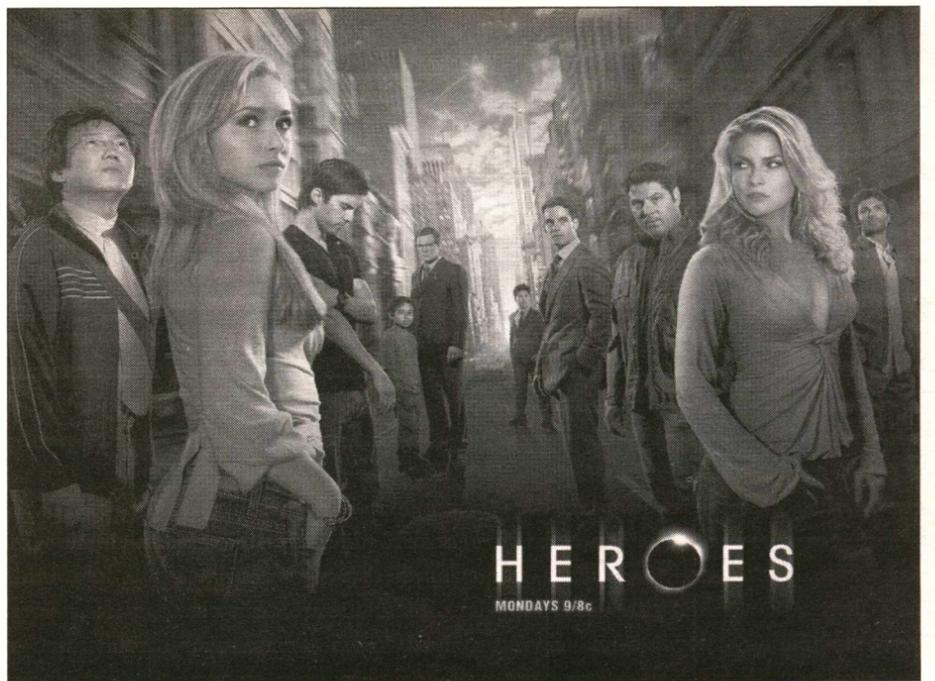
The beauty of The Weakerthans' lyrics is not simply in the poetic insight, but in the daily quirks of human

interaction that they capture. "Pamphleteer" off of their second album "Left and Leaving" captures one of these relationally awkward moments in the following line:

"How I don't know what I should do with my hands when I talk to you.

How you don't know where you should look, so you look at my hands."

The band has a unique sound with music that ranges from minimalistic background tracks simply serving as a platform for the lyrics, as in "Sounds Familiar" off of "Fallow," to full instrumentation interacting with vocals, as in "Confessions of a Futon-Revolutionist," also from "Fallow."



Cast of heroes season three (photo from nbc.com). Below: Dr. House (from fox.com)

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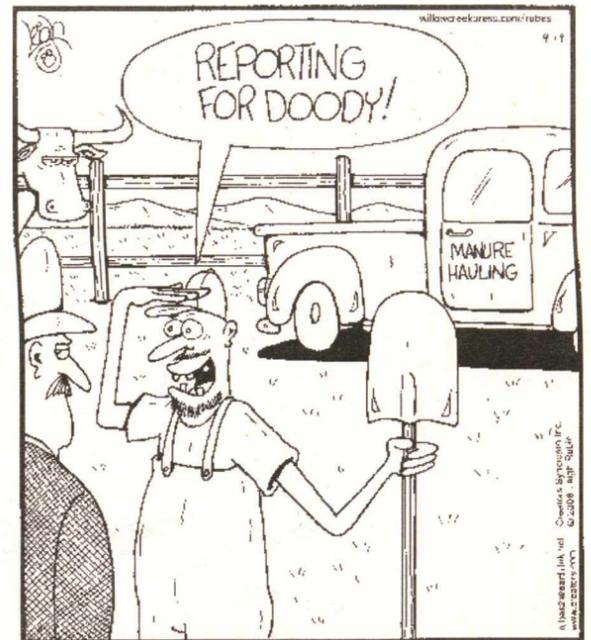
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