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A bit of time travel

CAVEMEN, HIPPIES AND NERDS, OH MY! TWIRP invaded Nampa and Boise this weekend with the help of costumes of all colors, patterns and styles, and even a few banana phones.



Alex Corn | The Crusader

TWIRP-goers play games at the haunted warehouse in downtown Nampa on Friday night, decorated by SGA and Social Board.

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Senate tonight

7:45 p.m. in Wordsworth

BILLS TO BE VOTED ON:
>Add Peer Mentors, Peer Health Educators and

NNU's campus played host to some big names on Friday night. Abraham Lincoln,

Cash and Cleopatra all made an appearance on the Brandt Center lawn. It was no fall into a time warp, it was just TWIRP.

Required To Pay) is an annual NNU event that takes place every year around Halloween. The event takes place on

with each night having different activities to participate in. The first night is the costume night, in which attendees dress

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budget" in the ASNNU code

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Weather

THURSDAY
Partly Cloudy.
Hi: 63° | Low: 37°

FRIDAY
Partly cloudy.
Hi: 60° | Low: 35°

SATURDAY
Few showers.
Hi: 55° | Low: 33°

SUNDAY
Few showers.
Hi: 48° | Low: 29°

MONDAY
Partly cloudy.
Hi: 48° | Low: 33°

TUESDAY
Sunny.
Hi: 48° | Low: 27°

Budgeting bill could change ASNNU Code

HOLLY BEECH
The Crusader

Three NNU groups joined forces to form a bill that, if passed, would allow them to budget from the SGA General Fund. The bill, taken to Senate last Wednesday, will be voted on tonight.

According to the code, Peer Mentors, Bible Study Leaders, and Peer Health Educators cannot budget from the SGA General Fund because they are not student-originated groups, said Executive Vice President Trevan Hauck, and because they are exclusive, said junior Senator Sarah Fleming.

Hauck said since the groups have had problems getting money from Senate, he proposed they ask for a Code change that would allow them to budget from the SGA General Fund.

Five senators took the bill to Senate: seniors Katie Mann and Brandon Haskins, sophomore Jared Trygg, freshman Julian Aguilera and Fleming.

"Setting this precedent and putting them in the budget will simply make it easier for these groups," Mann said. "They

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'Cinderstein' prepares for opening night



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The King and Queen (Jordan Brawner, Miriam Reardon) welcome Dr. Frankenstein (Ryan Donley) to the Prince's Ball during last week's rehearsal.

ALLISON HAWN
The Crusader

This Homecoming weekend, the NNU community will have the unique opportunity to see the hilarious "Cinderstein."

The energetic comedy, written by Kamron Klitgaard, is the magical mash-up of the stories of "Cinderella" and "Frankenstein."

The play follows a cast as they try and put the production together while everything falls apart.

"Everyone wants to be a stepsister, the star is grounded

by his parents and no one likes their parts," said the synopsis on the NNU Web page.

Senior communications major Charissa Dufour, who is playing Stepsister One said, "Plan for a stomach ache from laughing so hard."

This play is one of the more unique productions NNU has put on, however there are other things that make it unique.

For instance, this play has a full cast of 33 people, which Dufour said is an epic amount.

Senior Joelle Friesen, who is playing the Fairy Goshmother

in the production said, "I'm excited for the audience, it's always the most exciting part of performance."

"A play is never complete without the communication between actors and audience members. There's something magical that happens there."

The play will be in the old Science Lecture Hall on Thursday at 7 p.m., Friday at 5 p.m. and on Saturday at 3 p.m.

Adult tickets are \$6, students and senior citizens can get in for \$5.

Children under the age of 12 can get in for \$4, according to the NNU Web site.

"Even if you aren't entirely into comedy or theater in general, it's such an awesome opportunity to support your friends, not to mention see them in a brand new light," said Friesen.

"Just like anything else, theater is an activity -- a sport of sorts -- and it means the world to the cast to be able to pick out that special someone's laughter during a performance."

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Vice President Sam Dunn to retire at end of school year

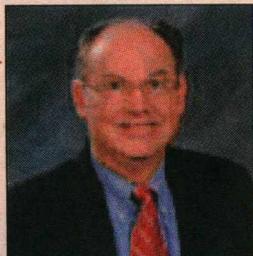
BRANDON HASKINS

The Crusader

The NNU Web site currently lists nine staff and faculty positions for hire.

Among these nine positions, one of the most notable is the position of Vice President for Academic Affairs.

This position is currently held by Sam Dunn, who plans to retire from the position for a



courtesy of NNU.edu

second time at the end of this academic year.

After serving in the position

for eight years, Dunn retired back in 2002.

When the position was left vacant again in spring 2007, Dunn was asked by former president Richard Hagood to return until a replacement was found.

Following the retirement of Hagood, Dunn felt he should stay on as VPAA and wait until this year to retire.

According to the NNU Web site the Vice President of Academic Affairs "is responsible for the university's academic programs, personnel and priorities.

The Vice President reports to the President and is a member of the President's Cabinet.

The VPAA works with the President in overseeing all matters of mission articulation,

academic governance, program review, assessment, revision, and new program development, advocating for and working with the people, programs and priorities in the academic domain."

Dunn, plans to remain active in his retirement.

He is hoping to do missionary work, as well as teach and complete his second doctorate

degree in international business.

A nationwide search is currently underway, with applications being accepted through December.

Position requirements and candidate qualifications are listed on NNU's Web site at <http://www.nnu.edu/offices/human-resources/employment-opportunities>

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give their time to students in need and then have to constantly come to Senate asking for money to better serve the student body."

Peer Mentors took three bills to Senate this semester before they were given money.

These groups have not been given money in the past because they are under different departments and have budgets that are separate from SGA (except BSLs, who do not have

a budget), said Senator Jordan Scott, sophomore.

"This concerns senators because the money given to them would be lost from SGA control and could then be used for any reason," he said.

"This newly proposed bill would allow these three groups

to budget with SGA for each semester. Though the bill isn't perfect, it does allow these groups to budget in some extra money instead of having to come to Senate every time money is needed."

Currently, to pay for their expenses the groups fund raise

and accept donations, Hauck said.

If the budgeting bill is passed, the Ways and Means Committee -- made up of Trygg, the chair of the committee, Fleming, Haskins and freshman Bruno Bennett -- will decide how much money the three groups

can budget for.

Then the groups will go to budgeting in November -- along with other groups like ministry clubs and The Oasis -- to receive money from the General Fund for next semester.



My life as a: *Bella Voce* girl with reporter Brandon Haskins

Our eyes met from across the room, her mouth slightly open as a beautiful sound gently escaped.

The beautiful moment was disrupted as her piercing blue eyes discovered that I had absolutely no idea what I was doing, and was simply trying to fake it the best I could so the photographer could get a picture of me actually participating.

The moment she discovered the truth, that beautiful sound was replaced by the choking sound of muffled giggles.

I have to admit, joining the Bella Voce women's choir may in fact be the biggest stretch possible for me

more than just singing well. It's about coming together and supporting each other.

Class started with stretches, while professor Judy Marlett talked about some of the business aspects of the group.

Then the class climbed atop the creaky risers to start rehearsing some of their songs.

Throughout the class, the women took opportunities to make side comments to their neighbors, or giggle about something quickly during breaks from singing.

All this was highlighted by Marlett's comments that revealed in the fact that it was, in fact, a women's choir.

Ending class, freshman Stevi Knight took prayer requests and praises from the girls.

Updates on family members, or concerns for life struggles



I don't sing, let alone understand anything about music, so crossing the gender gap to join women's choir? Really? What was I thinking? I really need to find a story about guys.

Despite by ineptness in the realm of music -- and obvious gender difference -- joining Bella Voce was an enjoyable time.

I found that when it comes to Bella Voce, the choir is about

were offered in such a way that showed that these women had really come to connect with one another in a way that extended beyond choir or class.

Knight said, "I think Bella Voce is unique because we care about each other. Every Wednesday we get a slip of paper with one of the choir member's names on it and then throughout the week we pray for her. We share the ups and downs of our lives and make it

Brandon Haskins runs through the Homecoming performance with Bella Voce last week.

our responsibility to pray for one another."

Senior Mandi Dick said, "I know that I could go to anyone of them for anything and they would be there for me. Who could say that about any other choir? This choir is special, and Dr. Marlett definitely contributes to the overall views, feelings and emotions of the choir."

"[Dr. Marlett] likes to have fun with us, which many of my previous choir directors did not do. Bella Voce is unique not only because we have amazing individuals involved, but we also have a tremendous choir director," Dick said.

Concerning the choir overall, Dick said, "The girls who come into Bella Voce love to sing like I do and are

wonderful, sweet people that I probably would never meet if there was not a women's choir."

"These girls have become like family, and for the rest of their time here they will always be friends with the girls from Bella Voce, no matter what grade they are in or the grade difference," Dick said.

"Sure not everyone clicks together like peanut butter

and jelly, but it is still good to have learning experiences as such because God will use every aspect. Making friends in Christ lasts forever, and that's what Bella Voce truly is."

Bella Voce will be performing this Friday as part of the Homecoming Concert. The concert begins at 8 p.m. in the Brandt Center.

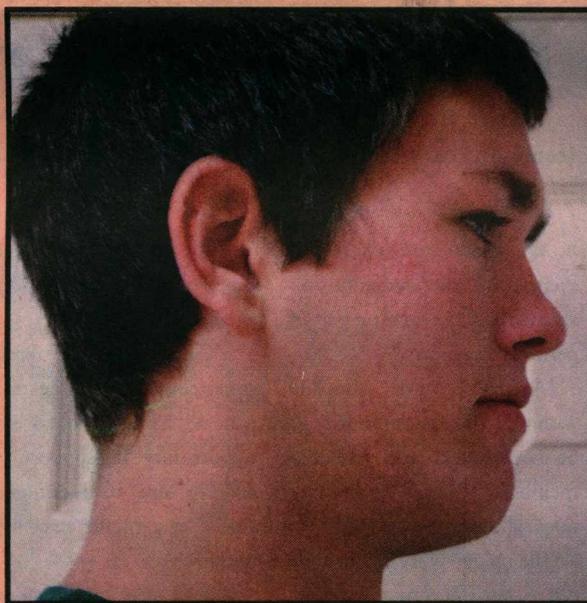
NO SHAVE NOVEMBER 2009

For the month of November, The Crusader is following two senior men who are participating in the no-shave challenge. Check back every week to see their progress!

DAY 1: Bye, bye baby faces!

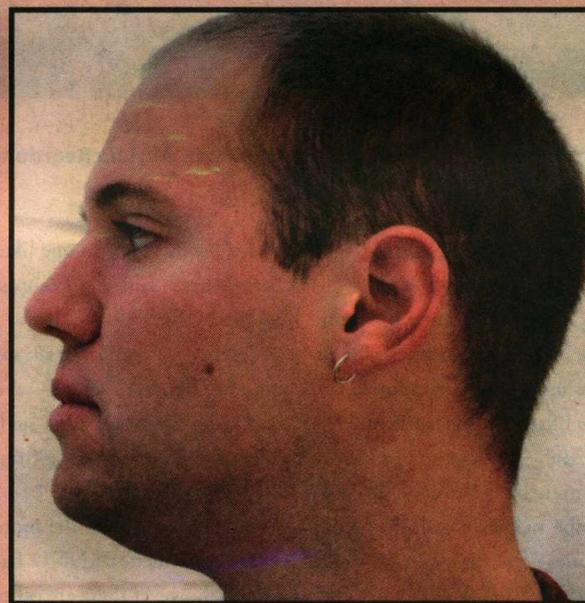
**Seth
Ott**

"My goal this year is for people to recognize that I can actually grow hair."



**Brian
Flanders**

"The molest-a-stache usually comes in around two-and-half weeks. It might come in early this year, so watch out."



Hairy word of the day **Neard (n):** The facial hair that grows only on one's neck.

TWIRP RECAP FROM PAGE 1

The second night is casual with provided t-shirts.

This year's theme was "Time Machine." A theme that presented endless costume ideas and possibilities, allowing participants to go wild and get into character with their costumes.

There was a group of nerds, Fred and Wilma Flintstone, grandparents and even babies.

The creativity this year was presented really well and it added to the fun of the night.

On Friday, after dinner on the lawn of the Brandt Center, TWIRPers went trick-or-canning to local neighborhoods to collect cans for the homeless.

The group with the most cans won a gift card to the Flying M.

The next activity of the night was "Improv Everywhere," which took place in downtown Boise.

At exactly 9:00 p.m., TWIRPers had to freeze for five minutes, not breaking the pose.

This unfortunately had its downfalls, as junior Scott Christianson froze in position with a pita sandwich and someone took a bite from it.

It also drew some funny looks from people walking by.

Next was the banana phone at 9:15 p.m.

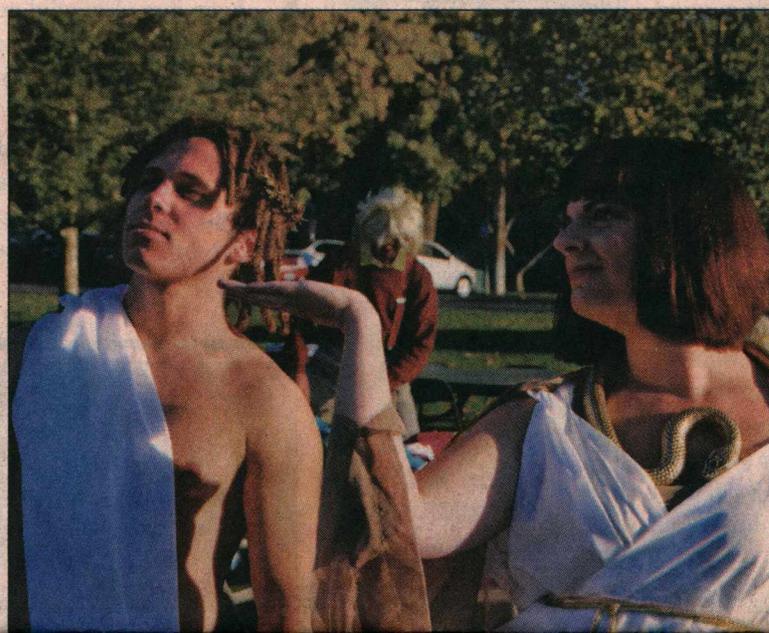
At that exact time, students talked on their cell phones -- made out of said produce given to them earlier in the evening -- for a long conversation with parents, friends and celebrities.

Participants had to talk on the banana for five minutes and act completely normal after the time was up.

The next activity planned



Rachel Beers | The Crusader



which was put on by the SGA.

Games that were played included the body parts game and rock-paper-scissors.

The night ended at the warehouse and the participants were sent home to rest up for Saturday's festivities.

Saturday started with a catered meal from The Pie Hole in downtown Nampa.

Top: Students could find Abraham Lincoln and pirates at TWIRP. Left: Senior Blake Wenner went as Julius Caesar, and his date Katie Mann went as Cleopatra. Right: Junior Nate Dupper and freshman Stephanie Hugus went as beatniks.

The town did not know what had hit them. In a sea of coral-red and turquoise shirts, 400 college students invaded downtown and the Flying M.

The group then traveled over

to the Nampa Civic Center to take in the production of "Beauty and the Beast," a three-hour interpretation of the Disney classic.

From there the Corn Maze

was next, a tradition of TWIRP weekend -- and with the event falling on Halloween weekend, it fit well.

To wrap up the evening, the Overland Park Cinemas hosted

the group. Movie choices were "G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra," "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" and "Fame."

TWIRP came to an end when the movie credits began

to roll. Senior Blake Wenner, and TWIRP attendee, said the weekend was epic.

Photos by Alex Corn | The Crusader

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Weekend auction to raise money for scholarships

Alongside NNU Homecoming events, live and silent auctions will be held this weekend.

The auctions give Homecoming attendees the opportunity to directly benefit current NNU students through scholarship donations.

The live and silent auctions feature a variety of items for all ages, interests and budgets.

Items to be bid on include a three-day Alaskan salmon fishing trip for two with men's basketball coach Tim Hills, two skybox tickets to the BSU v. U of I football game and a dinner for six at President and Mrs. Alexander's home, among others.

The silent auction begins Friday and ends Saturday in the Brandt Center lobby, and the live auction will take place Saturday at 9 a.m., also in the lobby.

Alumni honored at Friday's chapel

NNU alumni will be honored for their accomplishments

and service since graduating from the university at Friday's chapel.

The awards given will include Distinguished Service, Professional Achievement, Young Alumnus and Alumnus of the Year.

Jennifer (Roemhildt) Tunehag will be presented with the Alumnus of the Year award for her work in easing the pain of countless thousands of men, women and children forced into prostitution.

For the last 12 years, Tunehag, class of 1989, has been at the forefront of advocacy for the thousands of people brought into Europe who are then forced into prostitution.

Annual Walk/Run this Saturday

The third annual Homecoming Walk/Run will be held Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

Runners and walkers can choose a one-mile walk/run or a competitive 5k route, both of which begin and end at NNU's Johnson Sports Center, 313 E. Dewey St.

Proceeds raised by participant pledges will provide need-based

scholarships to supplement financial aid packages.

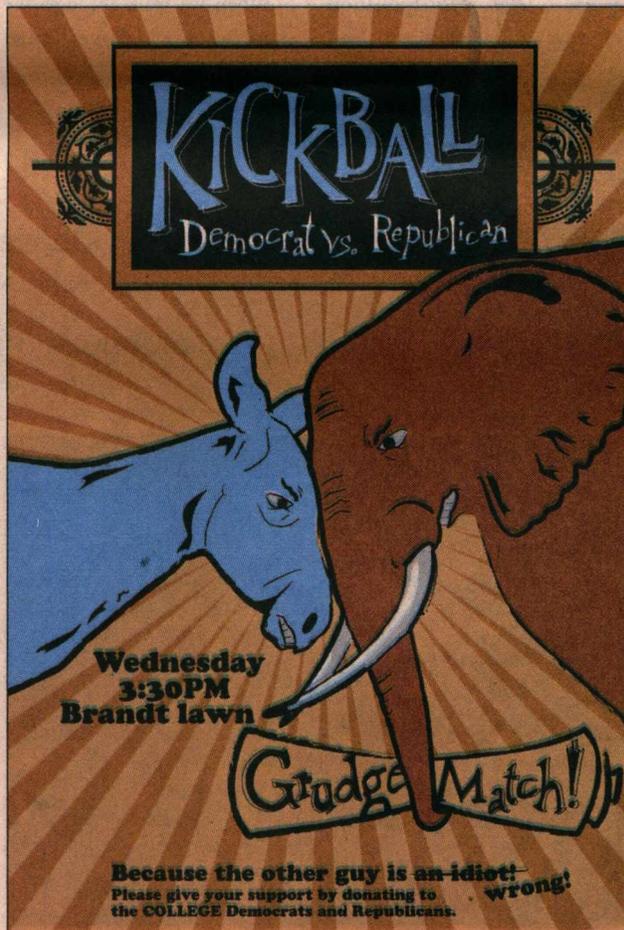
For every entry form received, NNU will donate one dollar to Northwest Children's Homes Syringa House, a local community charity.

The public is invited to race with NNU alumni and

friends for a \$7 entry fee, which includes a T-shirt.

More information and registration forms can be found online at www.nnu.edu/homecoming under Walk/Run 2009.

The Crusader staff



STUDENT LIFE

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 4

Republican vs. Democrats Kickball game @ 3:30p.m. - Brandt Center lawn
Senate @ 7:45p.m. - Wordsworth
Time-Out @ 9p.m.

THURSDAY, Nov. 5

Homecoming begins
Volleyball vs. WWU @ 7:00 p.m. - JSC
Brick House @ 9-11p.m.

FRIDAY, Nov. 6

Homecoming
WBball vs. C of I @ 5:30 p.m. - JSC

SATURDAY, Nov. 7

Homecoming
MBball Exhibition @ 4:30 p.m. - JSC
Volleyball vs. WOU @ 7:00 p.m.

MONDAY, Nov. 9

SGA Nursing Home Drive begins
Community chapel @ 10:20 a.m.

The horrors of TWIRP: university outcome fail



GUEST OPINION

by
SAMUEL BOYDSTUN

I have heard talk around the Treasure Valley that NNU students are often rude, disrespectful and generally unpleasant when put into public settings.

Each time I heard such rumors I assumed that there had been an unusual encounter with a rogue group of students having an off day.

The weekend of TWIRP 2009 confirmed each of these accusations for me first hand, not from an isolated group on a single occasion, but from a significant portion of TWIRP attendees at each event that took place.

I cannot say the majority of students were acting with poor judgment, but there were enough that during some point at each of the activities I wished to dissociate not only from those attending TWIRP, but from the institution of NNU as a whole for fear that I would become identified with such unpalatable qualities.

Never before had I actually been ashamed to be connected

with the NNU community.

These are the failures to remotely attempt the four university outcomes over TWIRP weekend:

Academic Excellence: Understanding the Arts

I understand that this generation does not have an abundant exposure to the performing arts resulting in a lack of theater etiquette, but this is no excuse for the general demeanor of the audience.

The Nampa Civic Center is quite obviously neither a sports arena nor the venue for Rock 'n Roll, yet the crowd treated the theater as such.

Whistling and screaming are prime examples of what not to do in a theater, particularly when the MC (Master of Ceremonies) is going over the house rules (which are generally only recited once).

I initially felt quite sorry for those in the audience who were not a part of TWIRP, but had freely chosen to spend money to attend as a leisurely activity.

The focus of my sympathy quickly moved to the performers, for the final showing of their production went to an obnoxious audience that laughs hysterically as the protagonist of the story tragically dies.

Christlike Character: Courteous Conduct

Waiting outside of the warehouse was an ordeal. Not as a result of a long wait in a

rather cold environment, but as a result of some of the most disgusting and inconsiderate displays of conduct I have ever witnessed.

Getting dressed up is fun, it's an opportunity to be something other than yourself for a short time.

This role play can be taken too far. Acting out the stereotypical role associated with the outfit should be toned down, particularly when you have been asked to desist a particular action by several individuals.

The most despicable display of conduct easily falls to those who found amusement spitting at cars as they drove through the underpass.

Creative Engagement: Well Timed Remarks

When I have gone to see a movie, even when the theater contains only students from NNU, those attending follow these socially accepted procedures -- except at TWIRP.

Find your seat and do not keep others from doing the same. Talk quietly among those you attend with until the film begins. Once the film begins, cease conversation and focus on the screen:

Do not provide commentary during the film -- especially when the commentary's content is less than appropriate

When all of these procedures were violated, I just dismissed it as freshmen that would soon mature out of it -- until I

realized most of the frequenting outbursts were coming from members of the SGA.

Social Responsiveness: Temperance of the Tongue

The Corn Maze has several rules in place to keep patrons safe as well as maintain an atmosphere suitable for any age group as well as those with various moral standards. One rule that stood out particularly stated "No Vulgar Language..."

This note is not attacking individuals, I intentionally used no names.

My hope is that this message will encourage the NNU community to re-evaluate the current social conduct paradigm and modify our behavior to exceed that of social norms, or at the very least meet them.

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STAFF EDITORIAL >>>

TWIRP did a great job helping out local businesses

How cool is it when an NNU student event also has a beneficial impact on the community around us?

Social Vice President Katie Thompson made that possible last weekend with her planning of TWIRP that was not only focused on entertaining 400 students for two nights, but also on supporting local businesses and organizations. Throughout TWIRP, Thompson supported the Idaho Food Bank, the Nampa Civic Center, Overland Park Cinemas, a local restaurant and a Nampa warehouse.

Instead of ordering Saturday's dinner from a national chain restaurant, Thompson chose to buy from The Pie Hole, a locally-owned pizza place in Boise.

Plus, by holding the dinner in downtown Nampa, she helped expose many students to what downtown has to offer.

One student who has been coming to NNU for over three years was surprised to see all the shops and restaurants downtown because he had never paid attention to it before. Probably several other students, especially freshmen, were first exposed to downtown Nampa through TWIRP.

Even if students did not buy anything from those businesses on Saturday night, now they are at least aware of them and will possibly support them in the future.

By holding the TWIRP dinner in the midst of several local businesses, and planning events through locally-owned companies, Thompson used this NNU tradition to positively affect the Treasure Valley.

CORRECTIONS

Craig Wolfe and Will Hansen won the doubles ping pong tournament held on Saturday, Oct. 24. A photo caption in our Oct. 28 issue on page 3 was incorrect.

Evolution should not be rejected because of one's faith



DREW'S CLUES

by
DREW McCULLEY

I hope one day everyone, regardless of creed or religion, will accept the theory of evolution. Evolution implies difficult things, and accepting it is not easy; however, faith in God never exempts a believer from facing the difficult and possibly threatening facts of reality.

I hope everyone will accept the theory because, like the

theories of plate tectonics and the heliocentric solar system; evolution studies and explains the universe we live in. These theories are monuments of human inquiry and creativity.

And to deny evolution is to take a step backward and prevent exploration into the wonders of creation. I am choosing not to make a list of the evidence for evolution here.

I say this with genuine concern, and with no intention of being divisive: a list of the evidence for evolution would unfortunately be ineffectual. I do not believe evolution is denied because of inadequate or absent evidence.

Rather, I believe the theory is rejected purely for reasons of faith, and no evidence I can offer would be helpful. This is to say, I think those who deny evolution choose to disbelieve

the theory to force the world to be consistent with a religious belief, despite evidence to the contrary. Genesis, the foundation of that belief, is evoked as evidence against evolution.

Although I am not a biblical scholar, I believe the biblical creation week is part of a poetic tradition passed down by a desert tribe that existed thousands of years ago, with none of the modern understandings we take for granted.

For whatever reason, it seems God saw fit not to give the ancient Hebrews an understanding of molecular biology. I believe the understanding of the origin of life presented in Genesis should not override the evidence available to us today.

Moreover, as an English major, the interpretation of any poetry as literal and

unambiguous truth shocks my conscious.

And the evidence we have suggests one thing: evolution. The theory was not arbitrarily invented. The evolutionary history of whales, for example, suggests they once lived on land.

Because we lack a fossil to represent every intermediate generation of whale, the evidence for the whale's evolution could be construed as incomplete, and it seems most who deny evolution attempt to use problems like this to debase the whole theory; however, gaps like this in evolutionary history do not disprove that whales, or anything else, evolved.

Imagine with me. We take a hike on a path that has been covered with fresh snow.

When we walk through the snow, we would leave behind

a trail of footprints. But if we happened to walk across a section of the path not covered by snow, we would of course leave behind no trail.

Now let's say we have a friend who decided to follow our footprints.

When that friend encountered the gap in our trail, she would certainly not choose to disbelieve our hike, she would simply find the trail on the other side of the gap.

In the evolutionary history of whales, the fossils we have are an evidential set of footprints that extends from ancient land dwellers to their present aquatic form.

The linear progression of fossils, like the trail of footprints, compensates for the gaps we may find.

The largest gap in evolutionary history is at the beginning: the

problem of the origin of life.

No one, except perhaps God, knows how life began, how that first strand of RNA began to replicate and follow the laws of natural selection.

However, to continue with my hiking metaphor, if our friend cannot locate the section of trail that represents the start of our journey, but finds our footprints shortly thereafter, she would not choose to disbelieve our hike. The problem of origin of life is not a foundation that if removed compromises the entire theory, it is a gap like any other.

I hope one day everyone, when confronted with these gaps in the evidence for evolution, will see them as a current failing or setback in science, or as the presence of God, but not as a reason to reject the reality of evolution.



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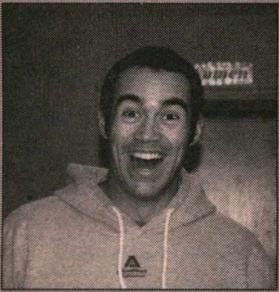
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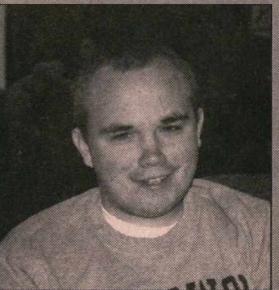
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is by reading
The Crusader.”

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senior



“Lots of sleep.”

Taylor Have
freshman



“By drinking lots
of coffee. I’ve
already maxed
out my Perk
dollars.”

Nathaniel Leslie
sophomore

that the people around us whom we see everyday are a gigantic part of our lives.

I am not talking about your friends or your family; I am talking about the individuals who make up the whole

surroundings and realize how much they impact my life and how much I have ignored the fact.

Life moves so quickly and there is nothing we can do to change the pace, which is

for themselves and goals that must be achieved. I often listen to grand schemes and lofty dreams.

What I seldom ever hear are plans for what’s across the room or ideas for right now. It

or where you are going, and discover what God is doing for you today. Discover what you can be doing for God with others and see what it is like to be present with someone who is here and now.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I would just like to say I disagree with the [Oct. 28

issue’s] staff editorial on Senate loosening its grips on the SGA General Fund. I like that the fee I pay is not being used

and being saved, and I find it amazing that the General Fund is getting so big, and my hope is when it really counts

it can be put to use in a big way.

Cody Jandzinski

Learn to fail, and fail gracefully



WANDERING IN WONDERLAND

by
ALLISON HAWN

I’m going to make the assumption that everyone who is reading this is human -- my

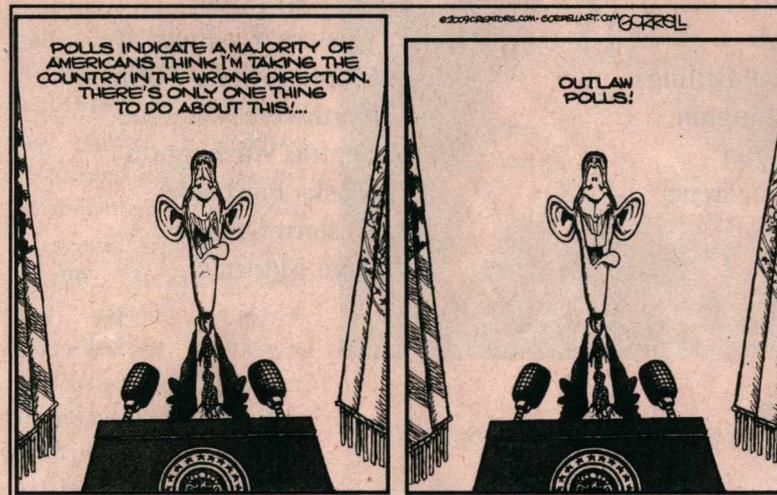
apologies to any aliens, angels, unicorns or vampires (sparkly or not) that might have picked this up. Under that assumption I would like to make a point: As humans we will all fail at some point in our existence.

Yes, that’s right, at some point every last one of us will mess up. Now those reading this article are probably thinking, “Well, isn’t that obvious?” Of course it is; however, the way we sometimes treat failure makes it appear like this is a foreign concept to us. Take for instance a person who studied, or more accurately crammed,

for an exam ten minutes before class, fails then says, “Well, it was a badly written test.”

Individuals aren’t the only ones who do this. Corporations and whole political parties do this too. It’s hard to flip on the news anymore without seeing whole conglomerate groups of people pointing at another group for the plight of the economy, health-care system, crises in other nations or any other social ill. The fact is that many factors and many groups have fed these problems and not a single group can technically be blamed.

Whatever happened to taking responsibility for failures? There is an art to failing with grace, and I think that Americans at large are quickly losing the ability to accept their mistakes and move on. Failure teaches important lessons, tests a person’s perseverance and keeps humans humble. Sometimes failure is not our fault, but there are very few situations in which we fail that we did not have some part in. Failure is not the end of the world, unless we ignore the benefits of it and join mass culture in dropping our responsibility.



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German student pursues basketball at NNU

JINELL VAN CORBACH
The Crusader

Few can say her last name, but most can point her out in a crowd.

Katharina Schulte, an international student from Germany, was recruited by NNU women's basketball assistant coach Ryan McCarthy.

Schulte comes from the town of Hagen am Teutoburger Wald, located in Northwest Germany near Münster.

Hagen is considered a village with its population of 15,000.

Schulte left her parents and younger brother in Germany to come to America to attend school and play basketball.

"My passion is basketball," Schulte said, adding that she has played for the past 10 years and discovered it accidentally while taking judo lessons.

"Both sports had practice at the same time in the gym, so I sometimes watched the basketball practice more than participating in my judo exercises," Schulte said.

Schulte gave up judo and began going to basketball practice instead. She started playing basketball on youth



Courtesy of NNU Sports Information

Katharina Schulte signs her contract with NNU's basketball program.

teams in her hometown, and at the age of 15 joined the Division II women's team, whom she played with for four years.

Schulte also played her first international game for the 16-and-under team of Germany against France.

For the following three years, she played on a national team,

and in 2006 participated in an 18-and-under European Championship located in Finland, where her team came in eighth place.

Coach McCarthy's wife, Jenny, was Schulte's teammate for half-a-year in Germany.

After watching her play with his wife, McCarthy asked if she

could imagine coming to NNU after graduating high school to continue her basketball career.

"I discussed it with my family, and I thought that it would be a great chance to improve in basketball as well as in my language skills," Schulte said.

Schulte's first visit to the U.S. was in December of 2008

to visit the NNU campus and meet the basketball team.

"This one week that I spent here I met lots of great people that already cared for me, so it was quite an easy decision to say 'Yes, I want to come to NNU next fall,'" she said.

Of course, Schulte is not only here at NNU to play basketball -- she is also working toward a degree in English.

Schulte loves the English language, and believes that pursuing this major will improve her English skills and make finding a job in Germany easier, as English is a requirement for most jobs.

"I really miss my family because we are so close and it is very hard to not see them everyday anymore," Schulte said.

She tries to talk to her family on the phone at least once a week, and uses the internet to stay in touch with her friends, she said.

Schulte said she is still unsure of her future plans and whether she will continue her education in the U.S. or move back to Germany.

PLAYER PROFILE

Barak Watson



Major:
Business

Hometown:
Nampa, ID

Sport:
Cross Country

Why do you like this sport?

Your success is completely based off of how hard you are willing to push yourself, and I love to run.

What awards have you received in this sport prior to coming to NNU?

Two-time State Champion, Gatorade Idaho Cross Country Athlete of the Year.

Favorite food:
My mama's pasta.

What is your dream car?

Women's basketball games start Friday with rival match

TAYLOR ALLEN
The Crusader

NNU women's basketball starts its season this week.

The team only lost one



Puck naked: Idaho team punished for 'strip hockey'

ASSOCIATED PRESS
BOISE, Idaho — An Idaho junior hockey team was banished temporarily from a city ice rink after players engaged in a game of "strip hockey" — shedding a

The city forbids people from showing their buttocks in public, largely to curb erotic dance parlors. Exemptions include dance, ballet, music or dramatic performances, or

three freshmen to the team: Heather Adams (guard) from Boise, Idaho; Maria Ramirez (guard) from La Pine, Ore.; and Katharina Schulte (center) from Hagen am Teutoburger Wald, Germany.

Senior Janee Olds says that all three freshmen girls are amazing, hard working and fun to watch.

"They have caught-on really fast, which is unusual, but great for us," Olds said. She said all three girls will impact the team right away.

Ramirez said she is very excited to be playing college basketball and thinks it will be very different from high school.

"The competition in college is bigger, faster, stronger," Ramirez said.

Olds and Ramirez both agree that there is a lot of talent on this year's team.

"Our team not only consists of two or three good players but all good players," Ramirez said.

Olds said, "We have high



Courtesy of NNU Sports Information

Kristin Hein, a senior post, will help lead the lady Crusaders this Friday against College of Idaho.

expectations and we are really excited to start working our way to achieving those."

Some of these goals, according to Olds, are finishing first in the GNAC and going on to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Division II national tournament.

In order to reach these high

expectations, the team practices six days a week and lifts for two hours twice a week, Olds said.

The women's basketball team has their first game against College of Idaho this Friday at home at 5:30 p.m.

practice shot missed its mark. As redress for last Wednesday's incident, Boise forbid the Idaho Junior Steelheads team from using Idaho Ice World for four days; one 17-year-old player who shed his underwear briefly was suspended until next week. In addition, police are investigating, a spokeswoman said Tuesday.

An adult whose young daughter was on an adjacent rink saw the 17- to 20-year-old Steelheads skating in their skivvies and complained to a city hotline.

Rink employees who also noticed the scantily clad skaters urged them to cover up.

Police who were alerted on Thursday are now looking into whether Boise's public decency laws were broken by the incident.

"The investigation is pending," said Boise Police Department spokeswoman Lynn Hightower.

hockey practice isn't on the list. John Olver, the Idaho Junior Steelheads owner, wasn't at the practice where the players held the "strip shootout."

But an assistant told him the players were emulating a professional team, the Tampa Bay Lightning, whose members held a similar shootout last week where they discarded pieces of equipment after failing to score.

Internet videos show a Lightning right winger, Martin St. Louis, stripping to his long, dark shorts and shirt; the Junior Steelheads apparently went further, with some disrobing down to their sports briefs. At least one 17-year-old player doffed his underwear completely, to "moon" another player. That teen was also punished by the team, Olver said.

The Junior Steelheads' suspension from Ice World ends Wednesday, when the team will be allowed to return

Pet Peeve:

People who leave the light on when you are watching a movie.

How do you get ready for a competition?

Pray, give everything to the Lord.

If you could travel anywhere, where would it be?

Africa.

Best piece of advice you've ever received?

Be consistent in your time with the Lord.

Favorite activities:

Climbing mountains, skiing, horseback riding, unicycling, random adventures.

Favorite Movie:

"Braveheart."

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Women's Soccer

1. Western Washington
2. Seattle Pacific
3. Saint Martin's
4. Montana State Billings
5. Central Washington
6. Western Oregon
7. Northwest Nazarene

*Standings as of Oct. 26

Volleyball

1. Alaska Anchorage
2. Seattle Pacific
3. Western Washington
4. Montana State Billings
5. Northwest Nazarene
6. Central Washington
7. Alaska Fairbanks
8. Western Oregon
9. Saint Martin's

Men's Soccer

1. Saint Martin's
2. Western Washington
3. Montana State Billings
4. Seattle Pacific
5. Northwest Nazarene



Soccer teams look to final matches



Courtesy of NNU Sports Information

Players of NNU and Saint Martin's fight for the loose ball in last week's match

BRANDON HASKINS

The Crusader

Both the men's and women's soccer teams fell this past weekend in what was the last home games of the season.

The men's soccer team, falling to Saint Martin's University 2-1, did not go down without a fight.

Shooting a total of 14 times over the course of the game, the men's soccer team kept the Saint Martin's goalie quite busy, with a total of eight saves.

Freshman DJ Bechtel said of Saturday's game, "It's tough losing a close game like this, especially when your team obviously is working so hard."

Saint Martin's victory over the Crusaders gave them their first ever GNAC title according to the GNAC Web site.

The women's soccer team also played Saint Martin's

University this past Saturday, and were defeated 2-0.

This victory over the Crusaders assures Saint Martin's no worse than a tie for third place in the GNAC, according to the GNAC Web site.

Current GNAC standings list both the men's and women's soccer teams at the bottom currently with GNAC records of 1-9-0 (women) and 0-6-1 (men).

"Looking at the season in terms of wins and losses can be discouraging, but as a young player looking at the team in terms of talent, and the fact that we are a rather young team and came so close on a number of occasions is encouraging," Bechtel said.

Both teams play this Saturday at Seattle Pacific University, in what will be their final games of the season.

AP

Sports Blurbs

New York Marathon won by American

NEW YORK — Meb Keflezighi captures NYC Marathon, first American man to win since 1982.

No announcement on Blount yet, Oregon coach says

EUGENE, Ore. — Oregon coach Chip Kelly says there's nothing to report about the possible reinstatement of suspended running back LeGarrette Blount.

Kelly spoke to reporters Monday morning during his weekly teleconference.

Blount was suspended for punching Boise State defensive end Byron Hout in the aftermath of Oregon's season-opening loss to the Broncos. He was suspended for the season by Kelly the next day, but allowed to continue practicing with the team.

Kelly later announced that Blount could be reinstated if he met certain conditions.

There was speculation Blount could return this week because Kelly had previously targeted Saturday's game against Stanford as his first possible appearance.

Boise State to host 2012 NCAA indoor nationals

BOISE, Idaho — Boise

New season, new faces for men's basketball

RACHEL BEERS

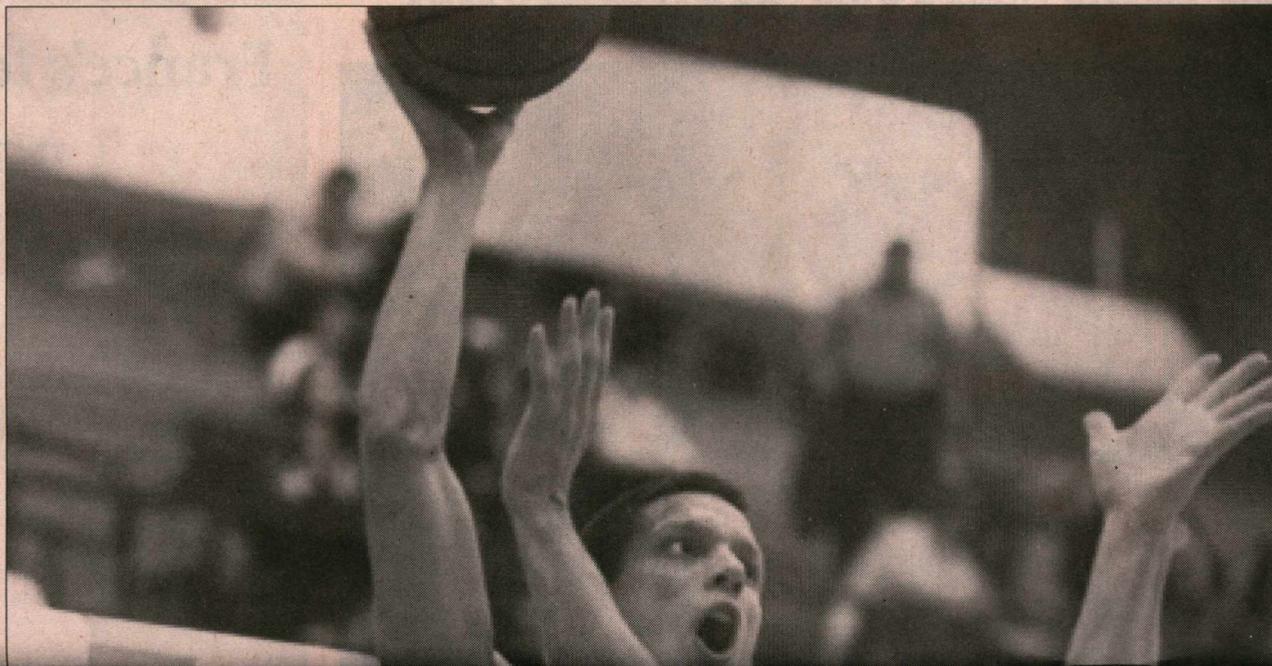
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Basketball is back and sporting a new men's team.

The start of the basketball season began with Midnight Madness, a night for fans to get involved with the men's and women's teams and win prizes.

The men's basketball team has new faces on the court this year. Out of 17 players, nine are new transfers or recruits. Two promising recruits are the brother duo of Drew and Jamie Eisinger, said Louie Beech, a senior guard.

"When I am open, they will give a good pass for me," Beech



said. Beech said the competition on the team is better, and players have to work hard to earn playing time and their position. Both the defense and offense are more aggressive, he said. "I have confidence in the steals and breaks we do."

Due to a new contract, NNU will play rivals College of Idaho twice per season instead of once as in previous years.

The Sadlers' first game was Friday against Utah State University in Utah. NNU lost 51-85.

Their next game is an exhibition game against Northwest University on Saturday at 4:30 p.m.



Courtesy of NNU Sports Information

Forward Kendall Gielow rises above his defender for a shot during a Crusader game last season.

Track and field deserves more recognition



BEYOND THE BLEACHERS

by
Derek Sepe

Back in the olden days, and I mean really old -- like Jack Black "Year One" old -- there was one secure way of getting food, and that was running.

Through time that activity evolved, and the Greeks took it to a new level by establishing the Olympics. Now a days, running is a universal activity and many do it for sport and pleasure.

That being said, I feel that the sport of track and field does not get the publicity it deserves. Fortunately, that is rapidly

changing.

In the first Olympics, there were a lot less events than there are now. The main running events that we can relate to today was the 200-meter dash.

However, this was not a typical 200-meters. The Greeks believed that clothes got in the way and hindered performance, therefore they ran it naked. Yes I said naked, which is why free Greek-speaking men were the only ones allowed to participate and watch.

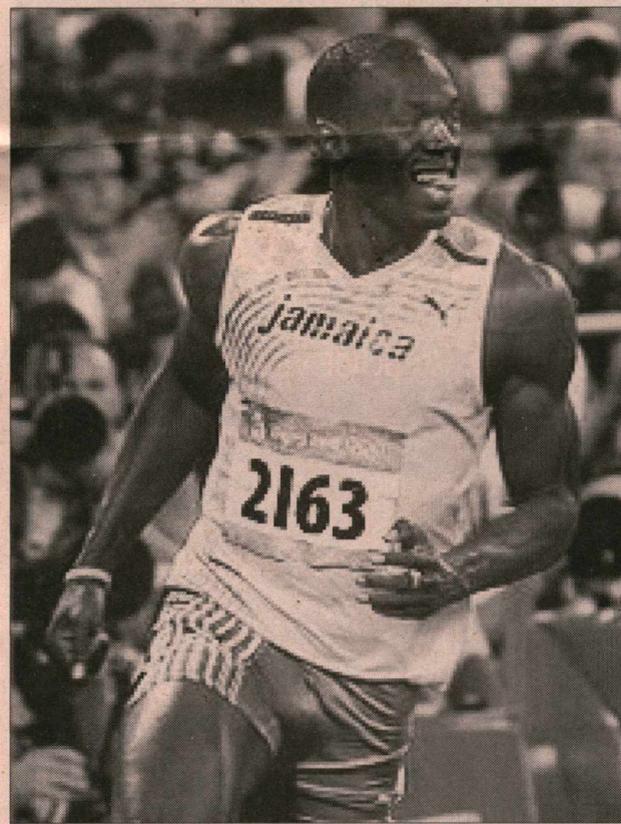
Also this 200-meters was a straight race, no curved turn was involved.

In the modern era of running, the sport has evolved dramatically. Everything has changed from the strategies for winning, to the shoes the athletes wear.

Probably the most known or decorated athletes in track and field are Steve Prefontaine, Carl Lewis, Usain Bolt, Bruce

Jenner, Babe Didrikson and Jesse Owens. While their accomplishments and successes are universally known, it hasn't projected track and field to the popularity it should be.

Things are changing however, with people like Bolt breaking world records back-to-back years with extraordinary ease and the media loving his ego, track and field is now getting the publicity it deserves. In previous years people not familiar with the sport would only watch the Olympic Games every four years and root for their country. Now there is a TV channel solely devoted to world sports and track and field in general, Universal Sports by NBC. This channel along with outgoing personalities and media coverage like that of Bolt, are getting heads turning to really support the oldest sport in the world. Are you turning your head too?



Courtesy of Wikipedia

Jamaican sprinter and Olympic gold medalist Usain Bolt.

State will host the 2012 NCAA Division I Men's and Women's National Indoor Track and Field Championships.

The university announced Monday that the March event will be held at the Jackson Track at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

The Idaho Statesman reported Monday that it will be Boise State's first time to host the event. Bronco Stadium played hosted the NCAA National Outdoor Track and Field Championships in 1994 and 1999.

Holly Sheilley, chair of the Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee, says the Jackson Track has a good reputation and is known for its ability to draw good crowds.

Idaho takes 35-34 win over Louisiana Tech

MOSCOW, Idaho — Running back DeMaundray Woolridge ran for a 2-yard touchdown with 52 seconds left Saturday to boost Idaho to a 35-34 win over Louisiana Tech.

In the final second, Louisiana Tech's Matt Nelson attempted a 56-yard field goal to change the outcome. It had the distance but went wide left.

Louisiana Tech (3-5, 2-3 Western Athletic) dominated the first half with a 28-14 lead. But Idaho's defense held the Bulldogs to a Myke Compton touchdown in the second half with the PAT going wide right.

Homecoming Concert to bring new additions

ANDREA SCHILLING
The Crusader

This Friday the music department's Homecoming Concert will be a little more than a toe tappin' tradition -- adding several new ensembles and choral groups.

"This year's concert has a lot more entertaining-type music than usual, and I think it will have something enjoyable for all tastes," Barry Swanson said, professor in the music department.

Fellow music professor, Casey Christopher has created an official NNU jazz combo called the NNU Jazz Revival.

"They'll play a Dixieland piece and a Miles Davis piece on the program," Swanson said.

The group includes students Geordy and Grady Turner, Jaimee Haaland, Micah Turner, AJ Wheeler and Justin Hugas.

The concert will also feature a new choral arrangement, the

Men's Choir, directed by Ron Curtis, Swanson said.

Curtis is an NNU grad who is the choral director at Vallivue High School.

"This group has a really great sound and a lot of energy," Swanson said.

Swanson said the audience will enjoy the choir's rendition of "Manly Men."

Aside from new additions to the concert, music department standard groups will all perform as well, Swanson said.

Northwesterners will do a tribute to the Northwest "coffee culture" with a couple of vocal jazz songs -- "Java Jive" and "Caffeine Overload Polka." Concert Band, Crusader Choir, Bella Voce, and the piano ensemble will also perform.

The Homecoming Concert begins at 8 p.m. in the Brandt Center. Students get in free at the door with their student ID.



Courtesy of Barry Swanson

NNU 2009 graduate Amy Bloomquist performs with The Northwesterners at last year's Homecoming Concert.

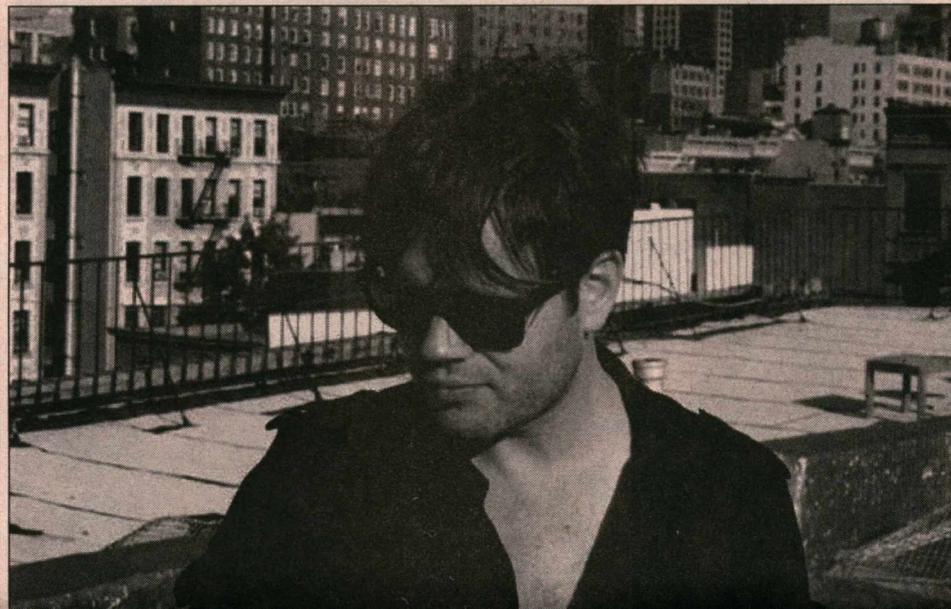
Electronica fans will love Trentemoller



REVIEW

ALLISON HAWN
The Crusader

If anyone ever wanted to test how good their headphones were, the trance-inducing electronic music of Trentemoller would be the perfect musical



Novelist NDiaye wins France's top literary prize

ASSOCIATED PRESS

PARIS — French-born writer Marie NDiaye won France's top literary prize Monday for "Three Strong Women," her moving tale of the struggles of woman in Europe and Africa.

NDiaye has written a dozen books, from novels to short story collections and plays, and in 2001 she won the Femina award.

She was born in 1967 in



Courtesy of Wikipedia

unbreakable."

In accordance with tradition

medium to do so.

Denmark native Anders Trentemoller first made his debut with DJ T.O.M. in 1997 in a world-touring live house act called Trigbag.

In 2000 Trigbag dissolved and Trentemoller began to work on his own mixes in earnest. In 2003 he released an EP titled "The Trentemoller."

The music from this work caught the attention of many DJs and electronic-dance fans said his official Web site.

In 2006, Trentemoller released his first full-length album "The Last Resort," and his second "The Trentemoller Chronicles" the following year.

Aside from the two full albums, Trentemoller has



Courtesy of Myspace.com

Trentemoller is originally from Copenhagen, Denmark. His most recent album, The Trentemoller Chronicles, was released in 2007.

released a ton of singles and EPs. Trentemoller is also a sought after re-mixer who has been known for remixing pieces like The Knife's "We Share Our Mother's Health" and Moby's "Go."

Trentemoller still travels worldwide doing house-shows, occasionally with his old partner DJ T.O.M. said his official Web site.

Trentemoller's mixes, which vary in length from four minutes

to an hour and 17 minutes, are truly well done.

The music tends to start off very basically, but then continual layers of sound are added to create a symphony of new sound.

Often times there will be one remaining piece of sound that remains for an entire piece, but the layers that are added to it change the way you perceive it so drastically that it's hard to remember that it has always

been there.

The music is transcendental and sounds a lot like a mix between the Newlydeads, DJ Shadow and Moby.

"It's the perfect dream with its mixture of dub-tech, shoegazing-ambient and clicking soundscape," said Groove Magazine.

"Trentemoller is not only a dance floor genius, but a musical mastermind in the broader sense," said the DJ Times.

Pithiviers, south of Paris, to a French mother and a Senegalese father.

Her latest novel, "Trois puissantes femmes," is the story of characters Norah, Fanta and Khadi's fight to "preserve their dignity in the face of humiliations that life has inflicted," according to her publisher Gallimard.

Norah is a French lawyer in with roots in West Africa; Fanta is a Senegalese woman living in France, while Khadi is a young Senegalese woman who tries to immigrate illegally to Europe.

"They are in very difficult situations," NDiaye said in an interview with Mediapart newspaper. "(But) they have a hard inner core that is absolutely

the annual prize was announced at the Drouant restaurant in Paris, where the Goncourt jury meets each year to select the book it deems to be the best new work in French literature.

Although the prize comes only with a nominal purse, the 105-year-old Prix Goncourt guarantees literary acclaim and high sales for the winning author. Past recipients include Marcel Proust, Simone de Beauvoir and Marguerite Duras.

Last year, exiled Afghan writer Atiq Rahimi won the Goncourt prize for "Syngue Sabour," a novel about the misery of a woman caring for a husband left brain-damaged by a war wound.

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Community Business Highlight

Darby's at the Market

HOLLY BEECH
The Crusader

There aren't a ton of places in Nampa where you can hear live music, dance, hold a business meeting, enjoy a nice meal with your family and go out to a fancy dinner with a date.

Darby's at the Market, a new restaurant and lounge that opened up two weeks ago in downtown Nampa, offers all of these things by putting its three floors to diverse uses.

The main floor is a bright and welcoming dining room with a splash of orange on the back walls, large mirrors hanging on the side walls and a front wall of windows.

By the end of November, the top floor, a loft looking over the main level, will be opened for quieter meals, business meetings and fancier occasions.

The bottom floor will open in a few weeks as a lounge and dance floor with a full bar, stage for live music and pool tables.

"We want to accommodate everyone," said Assistant Manager Chad Johnson.

"If you have a family of 12 we'll seat you, if you're on a date and all dressed up we'll seat you upstairs where it's more private, or if you're wearing a T-shirt and flip-

crowd and schedule a second show, they potentially will get paid with cover charges, Johnson said.

Manager Trudie Thawley described Darby's as a casual, but a nice place to eat. With the servers and staff dressed in khakis and brown polos, the atmosphere is less rigid, she said.

"It's not, 'May we seat you?' It's 'Hi, how ya doing?'"

The meals are made in-house from scratch, Thawley said.

The food is grown locally and Darby's only sells Idaho wines.

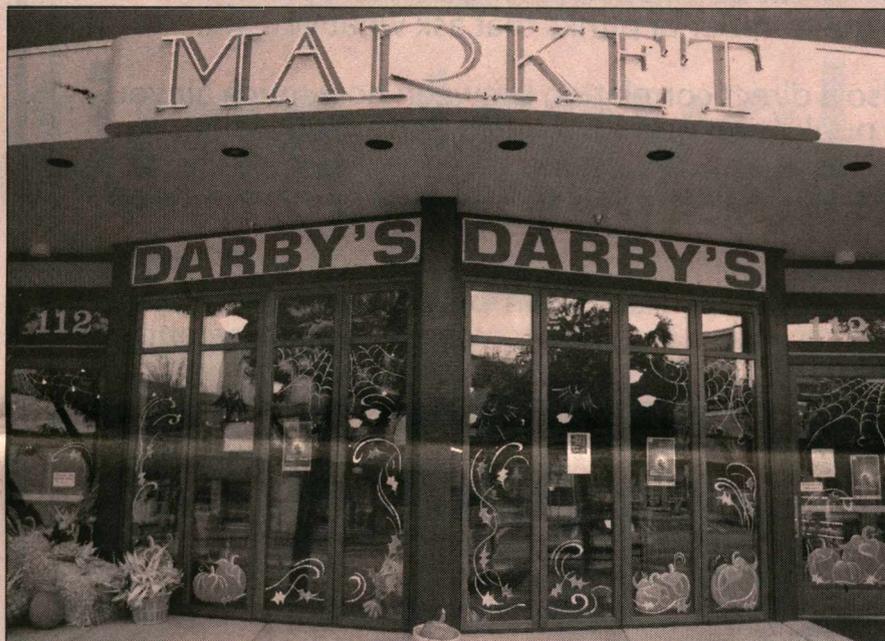
"We promote our area. When you buy at Darby's, you buy Nampa, the Treasure Valley and Idaho products," she said.

The lunch menu is filled with items like BLT and meltdown sandwiches, coconut prawn and buffalo wings appetizers, soups, salads, halibut and chips and burgers and fries that range from \$2.95 to \$11.95. For dinner, Darby's serves, among other dishes, smoked prime rib, steak, fish, grilled chicken, pasta and vegetarian dishes.

Dinner prices range from \$10.95 to \$24.95.

The in-house bakery also provides desserts.

And since Darby's is a



Holly Beech | The Crusader

Darby's has recently moved into the space previously occupied by The Market Limone in downtown Nampa.

other businesses downtown. to open up Darby's in this "We want to bring everyone economy was worth it because

AP
News Blurbs

Maine prepares for gay-marriage issue on the ballot

PORTLAND, Maine — Bolstered by cash and volunteers from across the country, both sides in the gay-marriage debate rush to boost turnout for Maine's referendum Tuesday on same-sex weddings. For gay-rights activists, it's a chance for their first-ever victory at the ballot box on one of America's most divisive issues. For opponents, it's a chance to deal a setback in a region where gay marriage has established its strongest foothold.

Tower of London Beefeaters suspended for bullying

LONDON — Treachery at the Tower of London was supposed to be a thing of the past. There had been bloodshed, yes. Out of favor queens were beheaded, yes. Prisoners were tortured with unholy zeal, yes. And if new allegations by the sole female Beefeater are true, it's now time to add bullying to the litany of foul deeds committed at the notorious royal fortress.

Afghan election commission declares Karzai winner

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flops and just got off work, you're welcome, too."

Live music, comedy nights and open mic nights will be held when the downstairs opens.

Several interested bands have already contacted Johnson about playing a concert, he said. NNU students' bands are welcome to schedule to play. Unknown bands do not get paid for their first concert, but if they are good enough to draw in a

"friendly, family-orientated" place to eat, Thawley said, there are also kids' menu items.

A breakfast buffet is served Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a meat-carving station, pancakes, French toast, fresh fruit, omelets and free coffee.

Prices are \$8.95 for kids, \$16.95 for adults and \$12.95 for seniors.

Johnson said Darby's is not looking to compete with

more business," he said.

When the restaurant opened, "the community had a great response," Thawley said.

"People from all walks of life come in to eat, from local businessmen to retired people to cowboys."

Darrell Kammer, who has owned the building since 1996, did not want to see the 100-year-old building vacant, Thawley said.

She said taking the risk

Kammer has been in the area for 50 years and owns several other buildings and businesses, such as the Urban Shed in Nampa.

"He is proactively maintaining growth and prosperity in downtown Nampa," she said.

"With opening this, he's rejuvenating downtown by putting more people to work and bringing the public downtown to other businesses too."

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KABUL — Hamid Karzai is declared the winner of Afghanistan's presidential election, increasing the pressure on the U.S. to end its marathon deliberations and decide on a lower troop level than the top American general recommended. Afghan politicians with ties to Karzai expect him to try to restore credibility by offering Cabinet posts to his rival's supporters.

Zimbabwe: Regional summit set for Thursday

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — Zimbabwe's neighbors will hold a summit this week to try to break an impasse that threatens the southern African nation's unity government, a spokesman for Zimbabwe's prime minister said Monday.

President Robert Mugabe, accused by the premier of undermining the coalition, indicated he would be at the summit to give his side.

Prime Minister Morgan

Tsvangirai has said a summit is necessary because of the gravity of the situation. Tsvangirai announced his boycott of the unity government on Oct. 16, citing a surge in political violence and accusing longtime ruler Mugabe of treating him like a junior partner, or worse.

Tsvangirai's spokesman James Maridadi said Tsvangirai learned Monday that the leaders of Mozambique, Swaziland and Zambia will meet Thursday in Mozambique's capital, Maputo,

to discuss the crisis. Tsvangirai said later Monday that if the three-leader summit did not yield results, he would press for a full summit of the 15-member Southern African Development Community.

He did not say whether he would attend the Maputo meeting.

Mugabe, speaking to reporters Monday, did not refer directly to the summit, but said: "We are ready to brief the regional leaders on the

problems we are facing."

Mugabe spoke after meeting for nearly four hours with his Congolese counterpart, President Joseph Kabila, who was in Zimbabwe in his capacity as chairman of the Southern African Development Community. The leaders of Mozambique, Swaziland and Zambia, who will be holding Thursday's summit, are key members of the bloc, which pushed for Zimbabwe's power-sharing agreement after a

series of inconclusive elections marred by violence blamed on Mugabe's supporters.

Kabila was to meet with Tsvangirai late Monday or Tuesday. Kabila told reporters after his meeting with Mugabe that he wanted "to find the way forward."

Mugabe said he expected Kabila to tell Tsvangirai that he chose to join the coalition "and must be able to face the problems and not to run away from them."

Streetcars on the ballot amid trolley revival

BOISE — A streetcar revival in American cities isn't just kicking up sparks from the tracks, they're flying down at city hall, too. In Idaho's capital, a proposed \$60 million trolley plan has become a major theme of local elections Nov. 3. Likewise, mayoral races in Charlotte, N.C., and Cincinnati hinge at least partially on whether they should build lines of their own

Ford expects profit by 2011

DEARBORN, Mich. — Ford is emerging from a tough, three-year makeover with popular cars and trucks that are making the company money again even as U.S. rivals struggle. The No. 2 U.S. automaker made nearly \$1 billion for the quarter and expects to be solidly profitable by 2011, although its debt and the economy still threaten the comeback.

ON THIS DAY...

Nellie T. Ross of Wyoming was elected America's first woman governor so she could serve out the remaining term of her late husband, William B. Ross. www.on-this-day.com

... IN 1924

10 lessons learned on Halloween.

by nick ratliff

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10. Halloween is like blackmail, "Give us candy or we egg your house."

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9. There is a direct correlation between the epic-ness of a costume and the number of punks that ask what you are.

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8. There is also a direct correlation between how much air you let out of the punks' tires and how much better you feel.

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7. Cops don't like it when you tell them they have a good costume.

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6. Leaving notes about Halloween being Satan's holiday in trick-or-treaters candy is a sure way to win favors with parents.

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5. A house that leaves out a bowl of candy for trick-or-treaters leaves candy for 1 trick-or-treater.

4. A Billy Mays costume is a stellar excuse to be loud and obnoxious.

3. Billy Mays (rightfully) receives a disproportionate amount of Halloween abuse.

2. When hiding in bushes to scare little children, one will inevitably feel nature's call.

1. No one will ever top the awesomeness of the monkey-with-a-banana-cannon costume.

GOOD WITH NUMBERS? SUDOKU ME.

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Dear Nana Bobango...



My roommate's girlfriend is really great. I mean *really* great. She cooks dinner for him every weekend, she does his laundry, she even brought chicken noodle soup to the apartment when we all came down with the flu last month.

You see, she's really great -- and he's really not. He's never appreciative of anything she does for him. He ignores her calls and texts and avoids her throughout the week.

The fact of the matter is she deserves much better and, well I'd really like to be the one to give that to her.

I know there are "man-laws" that must be followed and making a move on my friend's girl would definitely break these rules.

Still, I know I could treat her so much better than he does.

--Hung Up On His Girl

Dear Hung Up,

Sometimes we girls really just need to find things out on our own. If your roommate is really treating her as poorly as you say, then eventually she'll realize that there's someone better out there for her.

Chances are her friends are telling her the exact same thing you're telling me. She's probably just hoping that he'll prove all of you wrong.

She'll come around. Be patient. Remain friendly with her and when she finally decides she's ready to let him go, you'll be in the prime position to swoop in.

Nana Bobango wants to hear from you! Email your questions to crusader@nnu.edu. Put "Dear Nana Bobango" in the subject line.

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GOOD WITH WORDS? CROSSWORD IT.

Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Bits of info
6 Skycap's burden
10 Accord
14 "One more time!"
15 CEO or CFO
16 Get an ___ effort
17 One of Groucho's brothers
18 Singer Horne
19 Peru's capital
20 Clairvoyance, for short
21 Skating sport
24 Newspaper articles
26 Hug
27 Out of the cold
29 At that time
31 Bits of info
32 Director Ephron
34 Wild equines
39 Nasal pick-up
40 Not moving
42 Land measurement
43 Dish of greens
45 "Tall" story
46 Salary
47 Portable media player
49 Customer
51 Piece of parchment
55 ___ iniquity (wicked place)
56 Horseracing prize
59 Homer Simpson exclamation

- 62 Show anger
63 Dire fate
64 More than
66 Zealous
67 High wind
68 Mooed
69 Ties the knot
70 Former spouses
71 Epithet for Junior, maybe

DOWN

- 1 Unsettle
2 Long time
3 Kid's toy
4 Waitperson's reward
5 Made night noises
6 Church chimers

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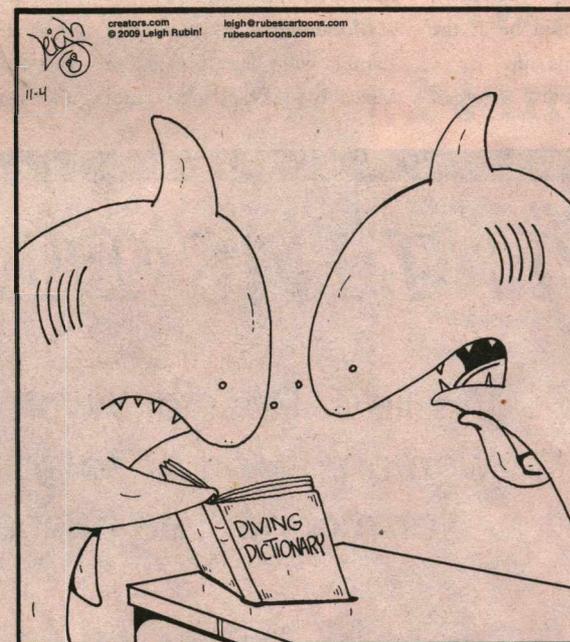
- 7 Skating jump
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10 Not as ruddy
11 Blazing
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27 Wedding vows
28 Nothing: Sp.
29 Three-note chord
30 Corridor
33 *Beetle Bailey* dog
35 Took care of
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37 And so . . .
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41 Cartoon skunk Pepe
44 Pickle flavoring
48 Promise
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51 Soda-shop freebie
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53 Unwilling to bend
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55 Rounded tops
57 Cajole
58 Acting job
60 Part of a range
61 Actress Lamarr
65 Word meant to startle

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quoteoftheweek

“Be who you are
and say what you
feel because those
who mind don't
matter and those
who matter don't
mind.”

-Dr. Seuss



"Self-contained underwater breathing apparatus? ... Well, what do you know? ... And all these years, I thought scuba stood for slow cumbersome uncooked bite-sized appetizers."