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Column One

It's the beginning of another week. Well, not really. It's more kind of middleish, I suppose.

Things are getting busy here as the term wraps up (If you didn't notice that the term is wrapping up, you need to become a writer for *The Crusader*, because you don't have enough to do) We've only got our big NAIA tourney issue to go, and we'll be done for the term. If God takes pity on me, I might be able to finish all my papers for the next few weeks and keep from flunking out.

Due to time constraints, this paper, once again, contains 12 pages. They're good though. I do wish people would stop referring to our wonderful paper as a pamphlet, though. It's not that short.

It's 4:30 in the morning, and for the third consecutive week I am seriously considering getting a job at a slave labor camp. At least they keep regular hours. And you don't have to pay to go there. Another plus.

I hope you enjoy this issue of *The Crusader*. We've worked hard this week, and haven't misspelled the word "thingy" in a single article. Congratulate the next *Crusader* editor you see on this outstanding accomplishment.

David Stillman

David Stillman
Editor-in-Chief

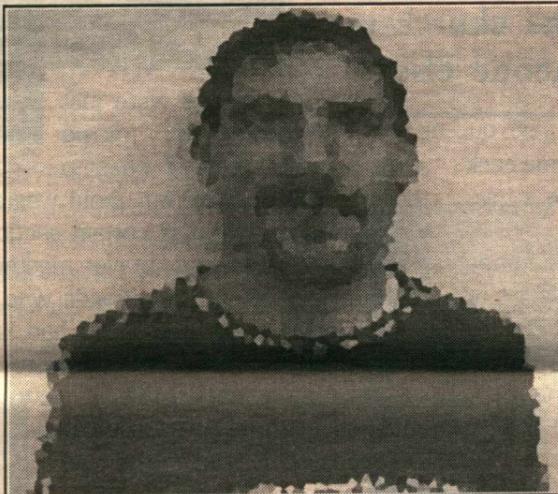
Brought to you by ASNNC so Carey Cook and Dr. Hills can read the staff infection

ASNNC Elections

This week's issue focuses on the ASNNC elections. Campaigns are in full swing, which you have probably noticed, especially if you've been to Wiley recently. By the way, they haven't removed the brick walls, they just plastered them over with little square paper signs.

Some of you might be wondering why we are giving so much ink to the campaigns instead of focusing on underwater basket weaving and how it relates to international politics. The answer is (yes, we really do have an answer) we actually think these elections are important.

Believe it or not, the Presidential and Vice Presidential winners will actually affect how this campus runs in the next year. The



bottom line? Vote. If you don't vote, don't complain. If you do vote, complain to your newly elected officers. They might be able to do something about it.

See who's running,
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Mass Choir to sing Requiem

David Stillman
Editor-in-Chief

Do you rate choir concerts just above clipping your toenails on your list of fun things to do? The Rutter Requiem, which is to be performed next Sunday at 4 p.m. in Swayne Auditorium, will change your mind.

John Rutter composed the piece in 1985, and it is already considered one of the great choral works of the 20th century. And, as an added bonus, most of it is in English, so you can actually understand it.

This piece is so exciting that *The Crusader* guarantees you will enjoy it. How do you collect? Just come up to the Crusader office and tell us why you thought the Requiem was a sleeper, and we'll give you a free copy of *The Crusader*, no strings attached.

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"If truth is relative, it's impossible to lie."

~Gene Edward Veith

Student testimonial: Jeremy Glassco

by Shannon Adams
Campus Editor

Jeremy Glassco, a junior business administration major at NNC, has lived in a Christian environment for as long as he can remember. At age four, Glassco's parents felt God calling them to become missionaries. The family, Jeremy's parents and his two brothers, left the United States for Papua New Guinea.

Glassco has always been a part of the Nazarene family. "I go way back in the Nazarene Church," Glassco stated, "my Dad was a pastor. He started out as a youth pastor actually, and he went to NNC for a while and then he went to Bible college in Colorado. Then we moved about the states a bit, Colorado, Arkansas, that's where I was born, and then we came back to Oregon and my Dad got called to be a missionary."

Glassco lived in Papua New Guinea with his family, returning with them every four years to the United States for furlough. But the years in New Guinea were influential for Glassco. As a Missionary Kid (MK) he gained a perspective on the church that few are able to know.

Glassco added that his views on the church were different from many other students. "I guess growing up on the mission field, I have somewhat of a different opinion of what Christians can be...I see it as just loving the Lord. The American culture is so involved with the materialistic part of the church." He has seen churches in abject poverty, but their love for God was much greater than the need for an impressive church to worship in.

On the mission field, Glassco's Dad started out as a church developer. Though his parents understood their calling and relationship with Christ, Glassco did not yet understand his need to claim a personal relationship with Christ as opposed to living the faith of his parents. It was not that he did not understand what a personal relationship with Christ was, it was that he had no need to decide for himself what being a Christian meant. Surrounded by Christians, having missionaries for parents, Glassco said that he learned how to act the part of an MK. It was not until he left for boarding school at the age of thirteen, eighth grade, that Glassco was forced to define Christianity for himself, to have his own individual relationship with Christ.

Glassco realized that he was "used to growing up in the Christian church, always around Nazarene people, Nazarene missionaries; you don't have to make your faith your own. It's something that your parents decide for you. That's what it was like for me for a very long time."

"I was always on the borderline—if you

can be on the borderline of Christianity—I was sometimes there, I wasn't really devoted, but I was in the church." At the boarding school Glassco realized that he was not the only MK to see his Christian walk in such a way.

Living in a hostel with other Nazarene MK's was really enlightening for Glassco. Here were other people in the same position he found himself in, suddenly being pushed into being an individual, into finding out for themselves what they believed and how that was going to effect the way in which they lived.

"It was about ninth grade, we went to a prayer meeting. We all went, we were just kind of joking around and stuff, we'd been to those all of our lives, but there was a big revival going on within a certain section of our school. And after that [prayer meeting] I and three or four of my best friends who were all Nazarene MK's too, and that I had known all my life and grown up with, went back to the hostel...and we started talking pretty seriously and two or three of us dedicated our lives to Christ right there.

That's when I started to take the Christian faith for myself."

These four friends continued on at the boarding school together, reaffirming each other and growing together as brothers in Christ. They were formative years for Glassco and having these friends growing with him helped him deepen his own faith with Jesus.

Glassco and his family remained in Papua New Guinea up until six months before attending NNC. Glassco spent his senior year of high school in North Salem, Oregon. Those six months gave him an opportunity to readjust to life in the United States, if such a readjustment was necessary. It was a crash course in American culture before heading off to college.

As for attending college, Glassco's older brother had come to NNC for two years and enjoyed it and Glassco's father had also come to NNC. It seemed natural to Glassco that NNC would be where he would attend. He has not regretted this decision.

"This has been the most spiritual place that I have ever been at. A lot of people around here have a great level of spiri-

tuality and they're not afraid to confess or express themselves and I love that about NNC. It's been a good place for me to grow up even more."

Though he may not be involved in any religious leadership positions on campus, Glassco's heart is set on serving Christ in whatever he does. "I'm not really into doing all kinds of religious stuff on campus, I'm not chaplain or anything like that, but it's still good just to be here and just be part of the church. That's a good opportunity that NNC provides, for people to be in something."

As for future service, Glassco says he does not presently feel called to be a missionary as his parents were. "I see mission-

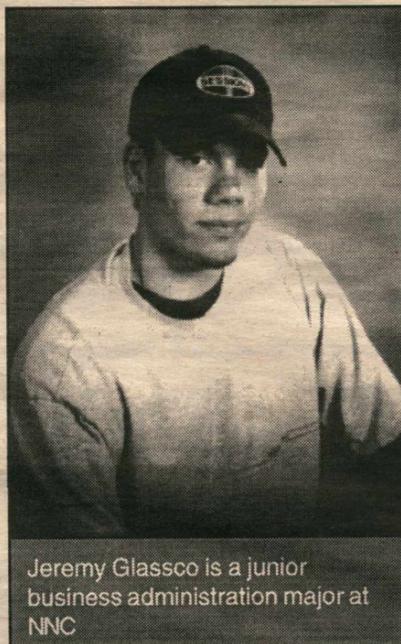
aries [just] as ordinary people, because I was one."

"I feel like you can be ordinary and do just as much good for the church as someone else. Even if I was to stay in the states I would be fine with that."

Glassco is a business administration major, and with his international background he has thought about working in business at the international level. "I just feel like someone needs to be in the church to support [it]...someone has to be making money to put

back into the church to help people out."

As for where God is leading Glassco right now, it's a day-to-day situation. Getting through the end of the term, paying for next term. These are some of his worries, but he knows that God will provide for him in the future just as surely as He has in the past.

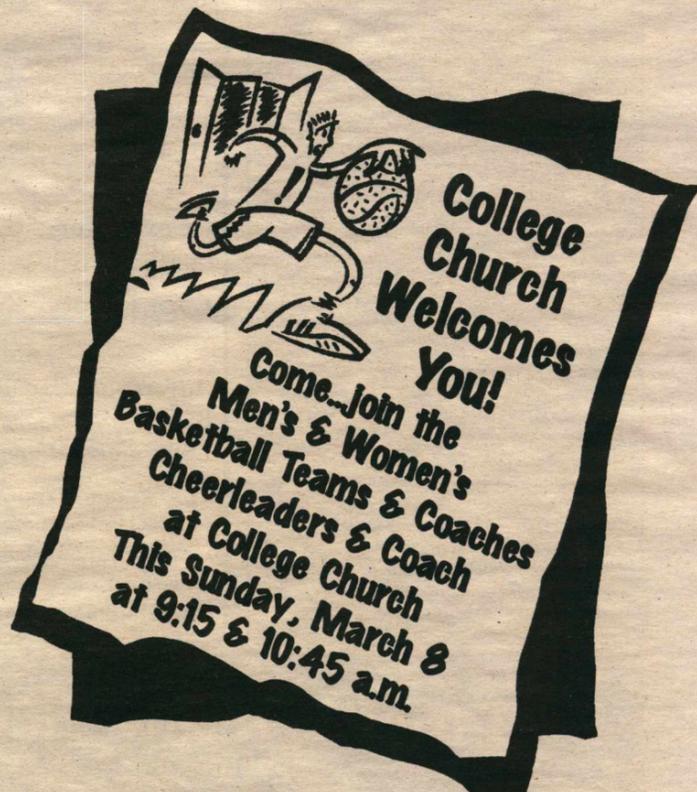


Jeremy Glassco is a junior business administration major at NNC

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The LUV Auction and the Finkbeiner Fund

by Shannon Adams
Campus Editor

"Going once, going twice, sold!" Though few students might have believed that they would attend an auction where their friends were being sold, the annual LUV Auction continues to do just that. The event, which is used to raise money for the Finkbeiner Fund, had a country theme this year. Hay



Senior Christy Peterson

bales decorated the stage and the majority of participants were wearing overalls and holding sunflowers as they came down the catwalk to country music.

K a r r i Buckendorf, who organized the event along with her roommate Dana Grierson, said that "It went well, it was a lot of fun. It looked good." There were participants from each class. For freshman:

Brandi Blacklock, Heidi Allgeier, Chris Cowan and Keegan Lenker. Lisa Erickson, Marisa Mitterholzer, Dustin Herring and Geoff Parker represented the sophomores. Juniors Dustin Zimmerman

the lovely Ms. Thompson). And the seniors were represented by Christy Peterson, Jon Crozier and Kyle Buck.

These participants were auctioned off one-by-one. "I never thought," Zimmerman began, "that I'd be selling myself at NNC. That's for sure. It's really embarrassing, but it's a lot of fun and you just have to remind yourself that it's for charity." Zimmerman was fortunate enough to be purchased by not one, but two stu-

dents: Stephanie Ortman and Teri Kaptein.

Steve Carlson and Linc Loeber served as the auctioneers for the evening.

Those who bought someone at the auction had their date Saturday night. The group started out at Clyde's making pizzas and working on puzzles in groups. The puzzles were then flipped over to reveal a word picture puzzle on the other side. Together, the puzzles gave a clue

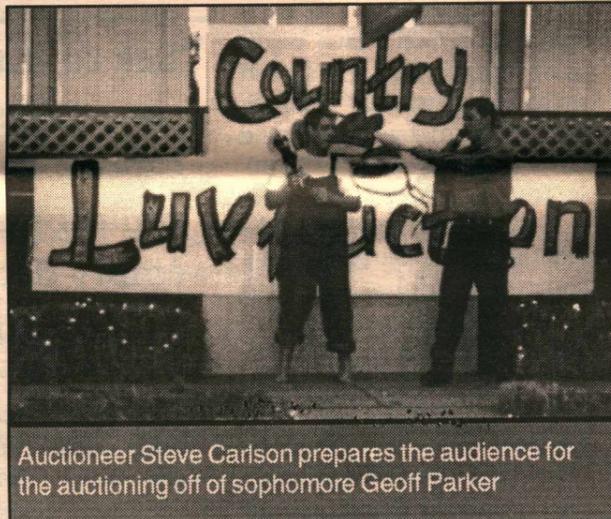


Junior Norma Thompson

to the next place the group was to head: the Brick House. At the Brick House there was bingo to be played, at least until the basketball game started. Though it was four-and-a-half hours later, the date con-



Sophomore Lisa Erickson prepares to be auctioned off



Auctioneer Steve Carlson prepares the audience for the auctioning off of sophomore Geoff Parker

tinued at the Rollerdome and then back to the Brick House for root beer floats and SNL.

NNCalendar

March 15 - 3	3 MBB-Finals ASNNC coffee house	4 10:15a Chapel 9:00p Time Out	5 7:30p Reader's Theatre MP Applications available	6 10:15a Chapel 7:30p Reader's Theatre 8:00p Jazz Band-SLH PC applications available Last day to drop classes	Weekend 7-8 8:00p Jazz Band-SLH
	9 10:15a Chapel ASNNC Exec Council speeches & elections	10 10:15a Faculty/Staff Fellowship-WDR NAIA Banquet	11 10:15a Chapel 9:00p Time Out Exec Council run-offs	12 Board of Regents NAIA	13 10:15a Chapel Winter classes end

Looking Ahead in March:

March 5&6:
Reader's Theatre "Revolution"

March 10-17:
NAIA

March 16-19:
Final examinations

Why Christians interpreting scripture in context

by Will Brown
Staff Writer

"All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness" (II Timothy 3:16).

Central to Christian doctrine is scripture. In fact, many would argue that scripture should be the number one source for sound Christian doctrine. Many verses from scripture, such as the passage of II Timothy cited above, embody this idea with eloquence. And from a historical viewpoint, those who attempt to undermine scripture's authoritative role, such as the popular second century teacher Marcion, who organized his own canon of scripture according to his own anti-Jewish philosophies (see Dr. Lodahl's *The Story of God*, pg. 127), are typically accused with charges of heresy. The serious Bible scholar should take great care in interpreting scripture properly.

II Timothy holds two important implications of scriptural interpretation. First, all scripture is "inspired of God" (God-breathed, etc.). The significance and proper translation of "God-inspired" is a mystery that has been debated throughout the centuries since it was first penned. Some hold it to mean that every scripture is God's own word, taken down by men who served as God's "secretaries," inspired, word-for-word, by God's divine agent (generally, the Holy Spirit). In other words, the words we read are the very words of God's mouth. Others believe that the heart of scripture, the good news of the gospel, was impressed upon the scriptural authors, again by a divine agent, yet open to human fallibility concerning insignificant matters. A third school of thought holds that God's inspiration is little more than an appeal to human reason and intellect and is expressed by humans in terms of their own theological insights. Regardless of which standpoint one chooses, the first point of II Timothy 3:16 is crystal clear: Scripture is ultimately useful because its origin lies in God.

Second, II Timothy 3:16 is a sort of "mission statement" of scripture. According to Paul, "all scripture is ... useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness." In other words, the Bible is a spiritual handbook, useful for the teaching of spiritual matters and the training of righteous lifestyles, and for the

correction and reproof of divergent, wayward doctrines and lifestyles.

Incidentally, scripture was never intended to be anything more. Nor should it be. When the authors penned the ancient words of the Bible, they had spiritual truth in mind. Scripture was never meant to be a discourse on history or a text on science. Take the Genesis account, for instance. In an ancient, near-eastern setting, the author(s) of the book of Genesis were probably not seriously concerned with the science of beginnings. Certainly, the author(s) had traditional theories of the cosmology of their universe, but they weren't seriously concerned with cosmology while penning Genesis. The importance of Genesis, rather, is a two-fold spiritual truth. First, creation is good, and more importantly, God created it. To try to read a scientific treatise of cosmology out of the Genesis account is to render it out of context.

Proper context of doctrine should be an important issue for any serious Bible scholar. Consider the warning of Luke 17:2: "It would be better for you if a millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea than for you to cause one of these little ones to stumble." And again in Colossians: "In [Christ is] hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. I am saying this so that no one may deceive you with plausible arguments ... See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ" (Colossians 2:3-4, 8).

It is important to recognize that doctrinal teaching can be taken out of context of scripture. But too many people are

too quick to jump on scripture verses such as these when they hear a teaching that disagrees with their own. Thus, it is equally important to realize that the reader of scripture must have some context to work in. It is for this reason that theologians, scientists, philosophers, linguists, historians and anthropologists continue to shed new insights on the world of the Bible. Sometimes these insights can be quite shocking when they stand 180 degrees from one's own theologies, but sometimes one must be willing to concede that his views are wayward and that he must abandon them if his true desire is to be in proper context when he interprets scripture. Thus, it does not always necessarily hurt to give mind to new approaches to scripture.

Many people react poorly to calls to give mind, to reason for themselves. The poet of Proverbs says, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight" (Proverbs 3:5). This verse, an appeal to trust absolutely in God, is "faulty" in a sense, if taken alone. Not that we are not capable of trusting absolutely in God, but that we are capable of absolutely severing ourselves from our own understanding. Life is our own understanding. We perceive everything that we perceive in the light of our own understanding. Even our understanding of what it means to trust in God with all our heart is our own understanding. Yet we are still capable of trusting in God with all our heart. This specific verse, in context of its subsequent three verses, is simply a warning never to forget God's ultimate role in all of our ways and endeavors or to revel in our own knowledge.

Scripture, indeed, is the last to object to reason. In the second chapter of Paul's letter to Titus, Paul instructs Titus in the proper way to educate all of the members of the missionary Church at Crete: "But as for you, teach what is consistent with sound doctrine" (Titus 2:1, italics added). The word "sound" in this verse necessitates "reason." Remember what sound logic is? Start with a true premise (fact), treat the premise with a valid reasoning process and arrive at a sound conclusion (thanks, Professor Dennis). Thus, in order to arrive at sound doctrine, one must start with a true premise (scripture, in this scenario) and reason the premise in as valid a context as possible. Reason is not the enemy of sound doctrine; it is part of its formula.

In the last few weeks, proper scriptural interpretation has been at the heart of controversy here on campus. We must remember that not everyone interprets scripture exactly as we do. Yet, according to the author of Acts, it is the serious Bible scholar's duty to "[examine] the scriptures every day to see whether [doctrinal teachings are] so" (Acts 17:11). Searching God-inspired scripture is a useful task, helpful in teaching, training, reproof and correction, as long as it is accomplished within proper context and with a reasonable mind rather than with circular dogmas and disruptive scare tactics. To seek to interpret scripture "according to the rules" is to be a Christian in context.

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~Colossians 2:8

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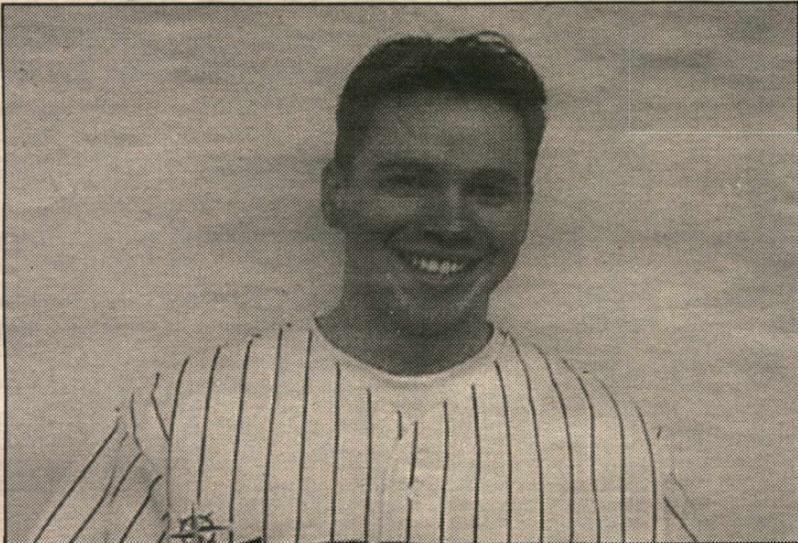
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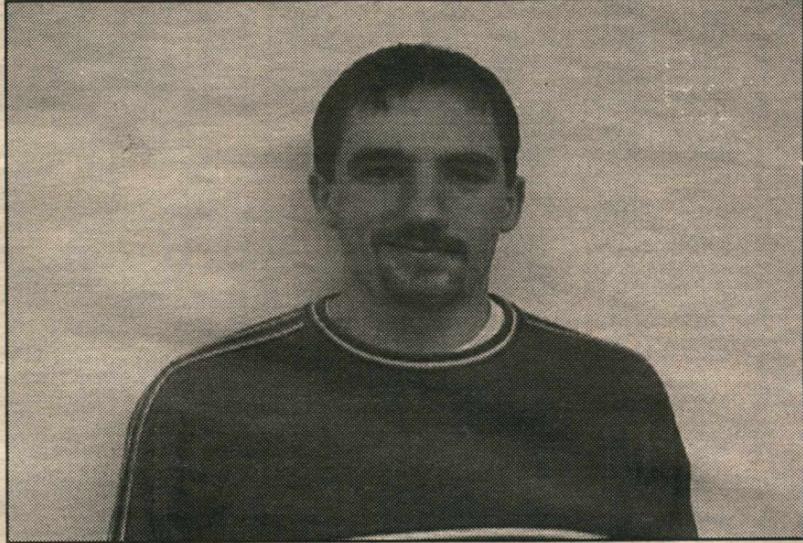
Let the games begin

A Race for President



Stephen B. Carlson
Junior
Major: Bio-Chemistry
Edmonds, WA

I, Stephen B. Carlson, love the Lord, our school, and would like to see great things happen on our campus. I have experienced NNC to the fullest. I have had the opportunity to represent our school on our baseball team and through NNP. I have also had the opportunity to serve you through class council and as ASNNC chief justice. Although many may view me as light-hearted, I do take this position very seriously. Through years of experience, I have learned that while there is a time for humor, there is also a very important time for seriousness. I would like to see ASNNC create a community environment where everyone who would like to be involved, can be involved. As your candidate, I am committed to doing the job to the best of my ability.



Chris Field*
Senior
Major: English
Pomeroy, WA

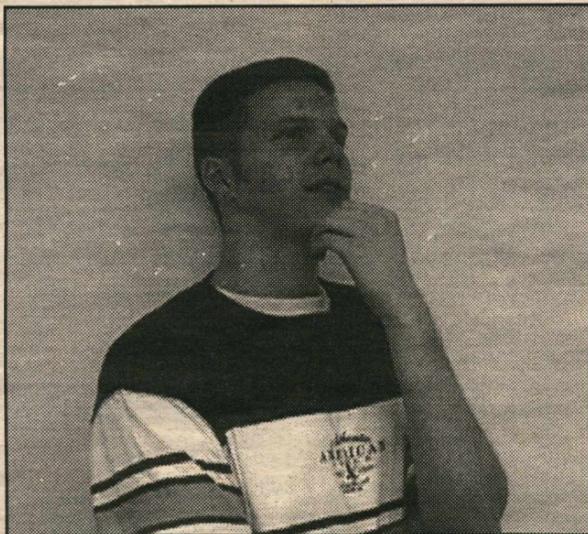
President is a position not to be taken lightly, nor is it a position that is effectively concluded in one year. If a President has done a good job (opened lines of communication), if he has projects that are long-term, that will benefit the campus (projects to tear down more walls; campus beautification), then he should strive for re-election. Experience is a key to this position without discounting integrity, ingenuity, and a faithfulness to beliefs about the job and the institution served.

*Chris has served as the ASNNC President for the 97-98 school year.

And for Vice-President...

Shawn Blenker
Sophomore
Business Adm.
Hometown:
Castle Rock,
CO

"...and
gosh darn
it, people
like me."



My aspirations to be more and more like Linc Loeber has brought me to this choice to run for Vice-President. I know that I may never reach the heights of his accomplishments. However, my

strive for perfection will never cease. I love NNC and think I can do a good job as Vice-President because I'm good enough, I'm smart enough, and gosh darn it, people like me.



Jodi Peterson
Sophomore
Major: History
Ed.
Hometown:
Edmonds, WA

"Don't
forget to
smile."



I have been on senate since my freshman year. In that time I have grown to love student government and being involved with NNC through senate. Being on the ways and means committee within senate, I have gained great experience with budgeting and working with the \$50,000 that you pay in your student fees.

I truly love NNC and would hope that everyone could be involved in some way within the school. That is why I have been, and will continue, working hard to use student fees to directly benefit each student on the NNC campus. Don't forget to smile. ☺

What exactly do the elected officials do?

If you are like most of the students on campus, you've probably wondered at some point in time why we even need to vote and to elect officials to help run things. Why do we go through the trouble of finding new people to run ASNNC? What purpose do they

Forums;" present an office report at meetings of the Senate; and to post and maintain office hours, to present an office report at meetings of the Senate. And finally, he/she must present a report of the most recent activities of the Publications Board at meetings of the



Kari Buckendorf, a sophomore Biology major from Portland, Oregon is running unopposed for the position of ASNNC Social Vice President.

serve?

According to the ASNNC constitution, the President has twelve responsibilities that must be carried out during his term in office. He/she must attend the Nazarene Student Leadership Conference and serve on it's steering committee; plan Student Leader Retreats; serve on the Lecture Series Committee, Coordination Council, the Building Usage Council, the Calendar Committee, and the Archives Committee; to serve as chairman of the ASNNC Executive Council; Publications Board, and the ASNNC President's cabinet. The list goes on to say that he/she must appoint, with majority consent of the ASNNC Senate, a fulltime student to serve as co-chairman of the Homecoming Committee; appoint a student to serve on the ASNNC Auditing Committee; assist in the training of the next person to hold the office of President; to attend planned ASNNC activities whenever possible; attend "All School

ASNNC Senate.

There are probably a few more things listed that you didn't know the President was involved in.

Obviously, the person you choose to vote for is an important decision. It probably won't determine the school's future existence, but it will affect many decisions made over the next year.

The Vice President's job is as equally demanding. He too must attend a variety of meetings and school forums. But in addition to the President's duties, the VP is in charge of all ASNNC elections, and it is his duty to see that the ASNNC constitution is upheld and maintained. The Vice President also manages the selection and maintains the organization of students on Student/Faculty Committees.

A lot of these job descriptions don't sound very appealing or especially interesting, but they are things which need to be done

A word from Linc



Campaigning by ASNNC hopefuls began at 5:00 on Monday. The candidates now have one week to win your vote through various means of propoganda. Speeches will be held during chapel on Monday March 9, with voting later that day (if necessary, run-off voting will be on Wednesday). Students are given the opportunity to cast a ballot for who they think should be the President, Executive Vice-President, and Social Vice-President. The five remaining ASNNC positions (Community Relations, Secretary, Publicity, Campus Ministry, and Business Manager) will be appointed by the newly elected President. I encourage all students to study each candidate closely and to approach him/her with any questions that they might have.

Lincoln Loeber, 1997-98 ASNNC Vice President

year after year.

A large part of ASNNC's job is to organize social events and activities. Some of these include the Root Beer Fest, Malibu Fest, ASNNC concerts, the Valentine Banquet, and the Halloween party, among others.

The Social Vice President also has a number of responsibilities to take care of. For instance, it is her job to oversee the annual sales of Student Activity Cards; to coordinate social activities; keep recods of all activities on file, for the benefit of successors; serve on the ASNNC Senate Campus

Life Committee, serve as chairman of the ASNNC Social Board; and to assist in the training of the next person to hold the office of Social Vice President.

As you can see, ASNNC has their work cut out for them. The least we can do as students, is to make sure that we take part and vote for the candidate we find to be the most suitable for the positions.

Election speeches will be given during chapel on Monday, and the election will be held the same day outside of Marriot.

Five positions will be appointed

There are five positions that the ASNNC President will fill by choosing one of the candidates that have applied for the job. The applicants for the positions are:

Business Manager

John D. Greentree, Junior
Jody Lanham, Sophomore
Kevin Jensen, Junior

Community Relations

Dustin Zimmerman, Junior
Jeremy Riehl, Sophomore

Publicity Director

Missy Rasmussen, Junior
Stacie Skeen, Sophomore

Secretary

Alesha Halvorson, Sophomore
Kenzi Wilkes, Sophomore

Campus Ministries

Stephanie Ortman, Junior
Michelle Wisecaver, Sophomore
Hunter Mizar, Sophomore

Troops exposed to uranium from tank shells

by Ryan Dooley
Staff Writer

WASHINGTON D.C. -- As many as 400,000 Persian Gulf War troops may have been exposed to hazardous particles of uranium from shells fired by American tanks and aircraft, according to a study released on Monday by a coalition of veterans groups.

The National Gulf War Resource Center also alleged that the Defense Department was aware of the potential of health problems from battlefield exposure to depleted uranium before the 1991 war, but failed to alert the troops.

"The U.S. Department of Defense has engaged in a deliberate attempt to avoid responsibility for consciously allowing the widespread exposure of hundreds

of thousands of U.S and coalition servicemen and women," the group contended.

Depleted uranium is a metal residue left when natural uranium is refined. It is used in artillery shells and bombs designed to penetrate the armor of tanks. It also is used as a protective shell on armored vehicles.



An M-1 tank firing on the practice range.

When sealed in armor or in a bombshell, depleted uranium exposure is relatively harmless, but when a depleted uranium shell hits its target, some of the metal burns and oxidizes into small particles. This creates an airborne dust that, inhaled or ingested, can be toxic in humans.

Until just recently, the Pentagon office investigating links between the mysterious ailments of Gulf War illness, and troop exposures to a variety of toxins and chemical agents had insisted that only 27 soldiers had possibly been ex-

posed to depleted uranium.

It also contended that the troops faced no health risk from their exposures.

On January 8, 1998, in a report marking the first year of its investigation, the Office of the Special Assistant for Gulf War Illnesses made a sweeping, but little noted, admission that thousands of troops may have been exposed.

Depleted uranium is a metal residue left when natural uranium is refined.

The Office acknowledged "serious deficiencies in what our troops understood" about the health dangers of depleted uranium. They also stated, "These hazards were well-documented by the Army, unfortunately, this information was generally known only by technical specialists." The combat troops and those who scoured the battlefields in Iraq and Kuwait after the war were not aware of the dangers.

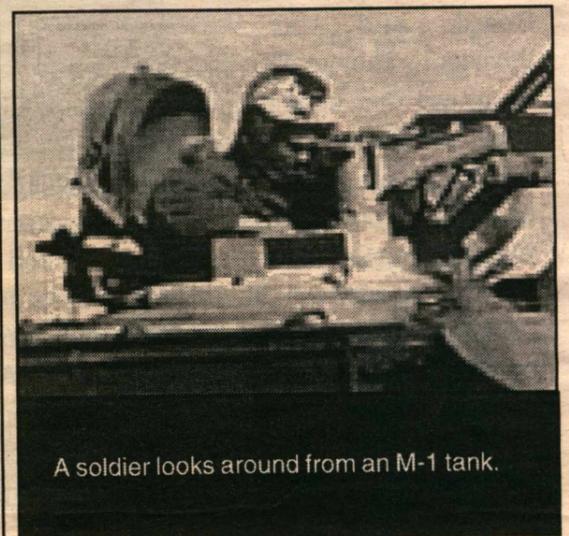
The Pentagon reported, "The failure to properly disseminate such information to troops at all levels may have resulted in thousands of unnecessary exposures."

The principal author of this investigation, Dan Fahey, was quoted saying, "They were aware they had a problem on their hands, and they were looking to minimize the public relations fallout from it." Fahey is with the Swords to Plowshare Veterans Rights Organization, based in San Francisco.

Reports showed that it was unsure as to how many of the U.S and allied troops were exposed to the depleted uranium particles because too little is known about the circumstances of exposure incidents.

They did, however, settle on a rough estimate of 400,000 troops exposed based on reports that 541,000 U.S. servicemen and women present during the war had come in contact with destroyed Iraqi equipment during the fighting or afterward.

"If those U.S troops had simply been instructed to take proper precautions, the exposure problem would have been minor," said Fahey.



A soldier looks around from an M-1 tank.

...very briefly...

BURMA -- Burma's military regime

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said Sunday it had arrested 40 people suspected of being involved in a conspiracy to assassinate leading military personnel and carry out bomb attacks throughout the nation. A spokesman for the ruling State Peace and Development Council said the accused have links to the opposing National League of Democracy party, headed by democracy activist Aung San Suu Kyi. Those arrested had planned to bomb ASEAN embassies and various public places.

FLORIDA -- NASA is considering a delay in the

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international space station program so that it can substitute another mission payload on the schedule for space shuttle flights. After criticizing the Russians for delays in manufacturing parts of the station, NASA is expected to announce that it wants to haul the advanced X-ray observatory into space before it takes up the first U.S. made piece of the station. The delay could cause more problems with NASA with Congress, which is already an issue.

The Pan American Corporation has a

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tentative debtor-financing offer of \$10 million that could allow the carrier to resume operations within a few days. Chief Executive David Banmiller said the U.S. Bankruptcy Judge A. Jay Cristol set an emergency hearing for 3:30 P.M. EST Saturday, at which time the airline said it would be prepared to discuss the financing further. "It's a tentative offer to provide standard debtor-in-possession financing to provide the liquidity to get the airline flying again," Banmiller said.

This Week in History

Historical facts that may or may not deal directly with you

Dating March 1 - March 7

March 1, 1790 -- The first U.S. Census is authorized.

1932 -- The Lindbergh baby is kidnapped.

1954 -- The U.S. drops a hydrogen bomb in a test at Bikini Atoll in the Pacific.

March 2, 1899 -- Mt. Rainier National Park is established.

March 3, 1847 -- Adhesive postage stamps are approved by Congress.

1931 -- "The Star Spangled Banner" is officially declared the national anthem of the U.S.

March 4, 1891 -- The International Copyright Act is passed by Congress.

March 5, 1770 -- During a protest, the Boston Massacre occurs where five people are killed.

1934 -- The first Mother-in-Law Day is celebrated in Amarillo, TX.

March 6, 1933 -- U.S. banks close down for three days in hopes to stop a panic run on the banks.

March 7, 1876 -- Alexander Graham Bell receives a patent for his invention of the telephone.

1911 -- The first coin-operated locker is patented by W. S. Farnsworth.

-- Compiled by Joshua Dooley

Men advace to conference finals

Workin' Crusaders beat Northwest and OIT; play Western Baptist in final game

by Hattie James
Staff Writer

NNC began their play in the Cascade Conference Tournament with a win over Northwest College Wednesday, February 25th. The Workin' Crusaders defeated the Northwest Eagles, 90-69.

NNC lagged in the first half, leading at the half by only four points, 38-34. The second half exploded for the 'Saders, who scored 52 points compared to Northwest's 35.

The tourney continued for the 'Saders Saturday the 28th with a win over Oregon Tech, 69-55. The game started out slow for the Crusaders, who were down by eight points in the first half before coming back within the last ten minutes of the first half to lead 27-19. NNC was more than happy to again beat Oregon Tech on the

home turf, having been trounced by OIT on their home court in early February.

Wednesday's game was led by Jawanza Hadley with 23 points. Kai Knell came in a close second in scoring with 20. Jay Lassen scored 15 for the 'Saders. Twelve of NNC's whopping 44 rebounds were pulled down by Lassen, who also had 3 of NNC's 12 steals. Coach

Rich Sanders and the team felt very confident going into the game with Northwest. Having beaten Northwest by 19 in Seattle and 40 points at home, NNC was ready for yet another win over the Eagles. The team's plan of attack was "controlling their postman Dan Schneider,"

said Sanders, "and keeping their shooters White and D'Agostino from hurting us from the perimeter." This plan of attack held Schneider to four field goals, D'Agostino to 2 treys and White to only one.

Saturday night the 'Saders had a slightly larger lead on their opponents in the last few minutes of the game. While the first half was slow, NNC clouded OIT's efforts with a torrent of scoring. The team was led Saturday night against OIT by Knell, who poured in 25 points. Hadley scored 20 for the 'Saders and grabbed 10 of NNC's 38 rebounds. Said Sanders of the game, "Defending OIT and being physical are the

keys."

The championship will be played in Salem, Oregon against Western Baptist. Sanders feels "very good going into this championship." He continued, "This team has won every championship opportunity it has had this year." Hadley hopes "we will take advantage of this opportunity." For Sanders and the team, the keys to holding Western Baptist are in controlling center Tyler Satterthwaite and shooting guard Geoff Smith. But, "while trying to control those two," said Sanders, "we cannot let any of their other players have a great night. In our loss to WBC (in regular season), we let Carmichael and Vick hurt us." Sanders is hoping to be able to remove Western Baptist's nets Tuesday night, returning the favor from last year, when W. Baptist won the Cascade Conference Championship in Montgomery Field House.

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~Jawanza Hadley

Ladies take third in conference

Ladies finish the year 16-10 after dropping to Southern Oregon University

by Robin Day
Sports Editor

After four long months, the lady Crusaders are hanging up their uniforms for the final time this season. The 'Saders went into conference play-offs with a 15-9 record and emerged two games later with a win and a loss.

NNC played for a home crowd on Tuesday, February 24 against Eastern Oregon. The 'Saders won the game easily, 80-42.

Eastern Oregon started the game with a half court press and kept implimenting it throughout the

game. The 'Saders worked around it, however, and by the first half, were ahead 39-23. In the

second half of the game, NNC played excellent defense, at one point allowing Eastern to score only two points for a stretch of nine minutes, and holding them to 19

points overall for the half. Everyone on the team got to play in what was to turn out to be the last game on the home court.

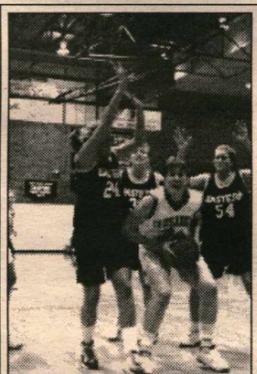
After winning on Tuesday, the Crusaders headed to Southern Oregon University to play the next round of the Cascade Confer-

ence play-offs. Saturday did not go quite as planned, and the women were defeated 63-70. Said head coach Roger Schmidt, "We didn't play well in the first half, but we came back and played well defensively."

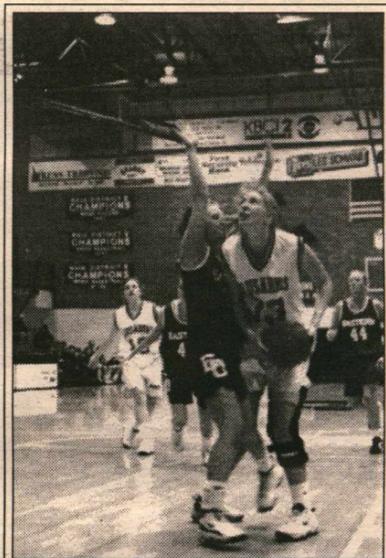
The lady 'Saders were not going to go down without a fight, coming back from 13-0 to take the lead in the first half. Southern Oregon sunk 18 of 20 free throws, and shot from the line more often than the Crusaders did. Commented Schmidt, "They beat us at the line, with free throws."

NNC's lady 'Saders finished their season 16-10, at third place in the Cascade Conference and 25th in the nation. They will lose three seniors, Racheal Gottschalk, Sunshine Cercle and Diana Smith, who is trying to graduate by first term of next year.

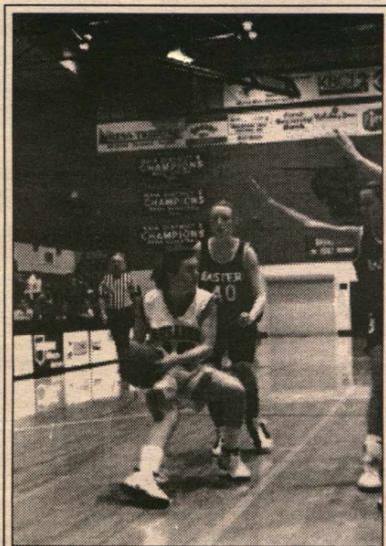
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~Coach Schmidt



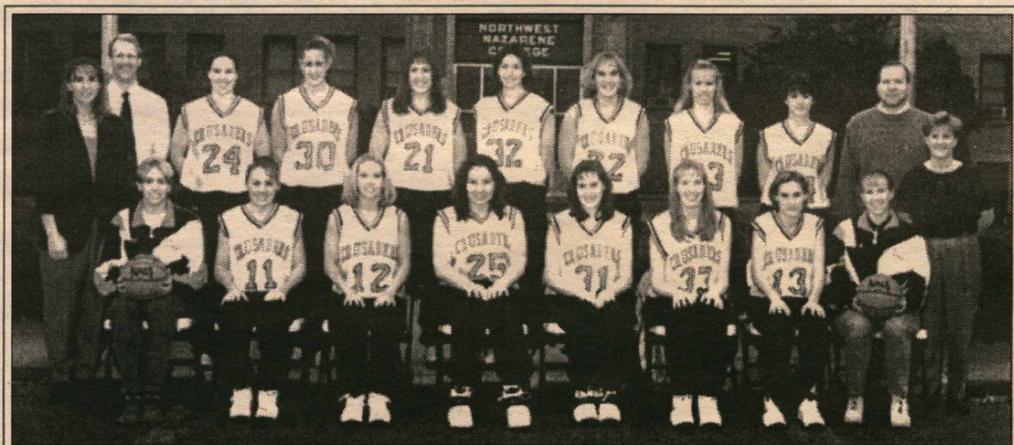
Sophomore Brooke Warren puts up one of her 10 rebounds.



Junior Diana Smith drives for another two points and draws a foul.



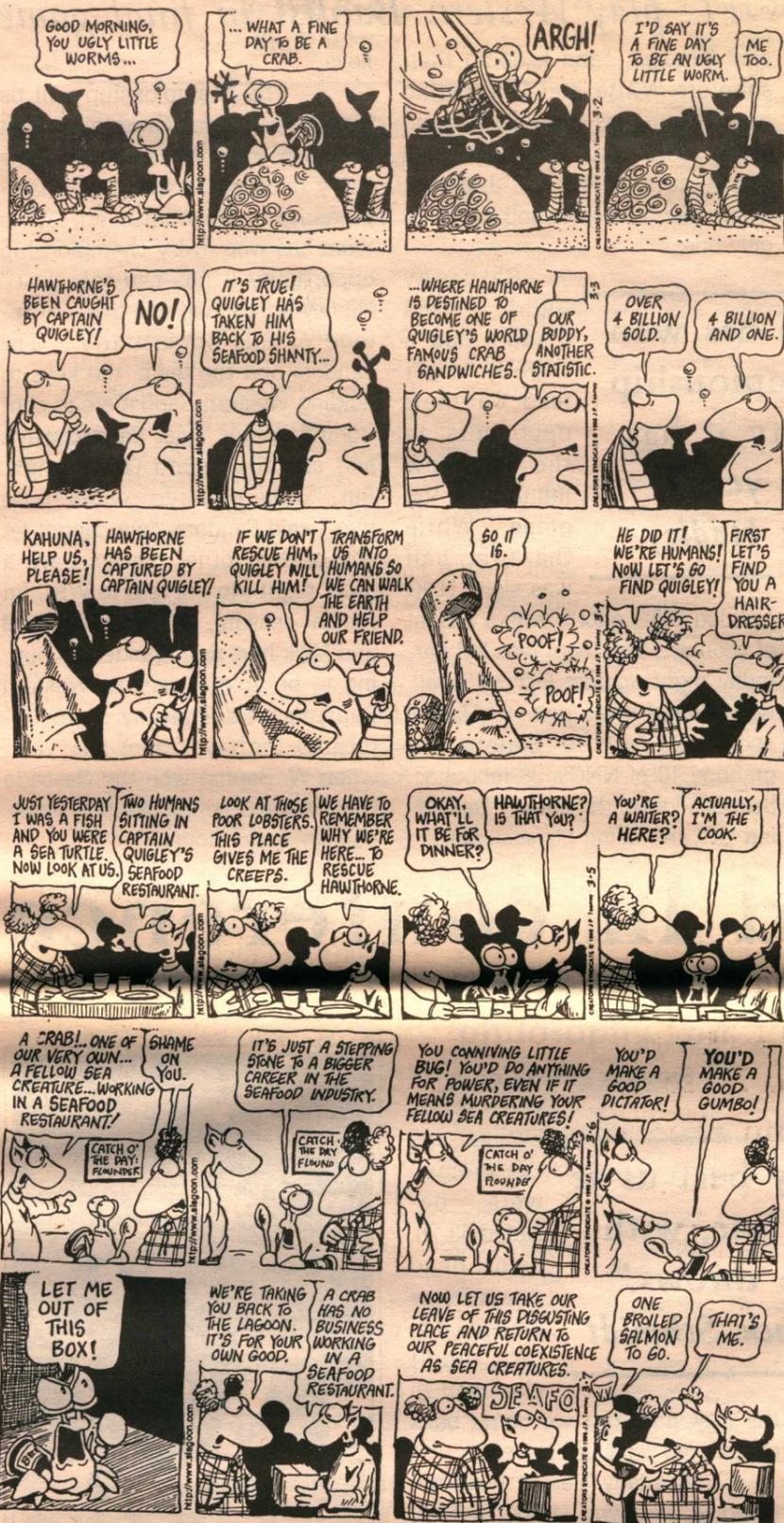
Freshman Kori Schmidt looks for an assist during Tuesday's game.



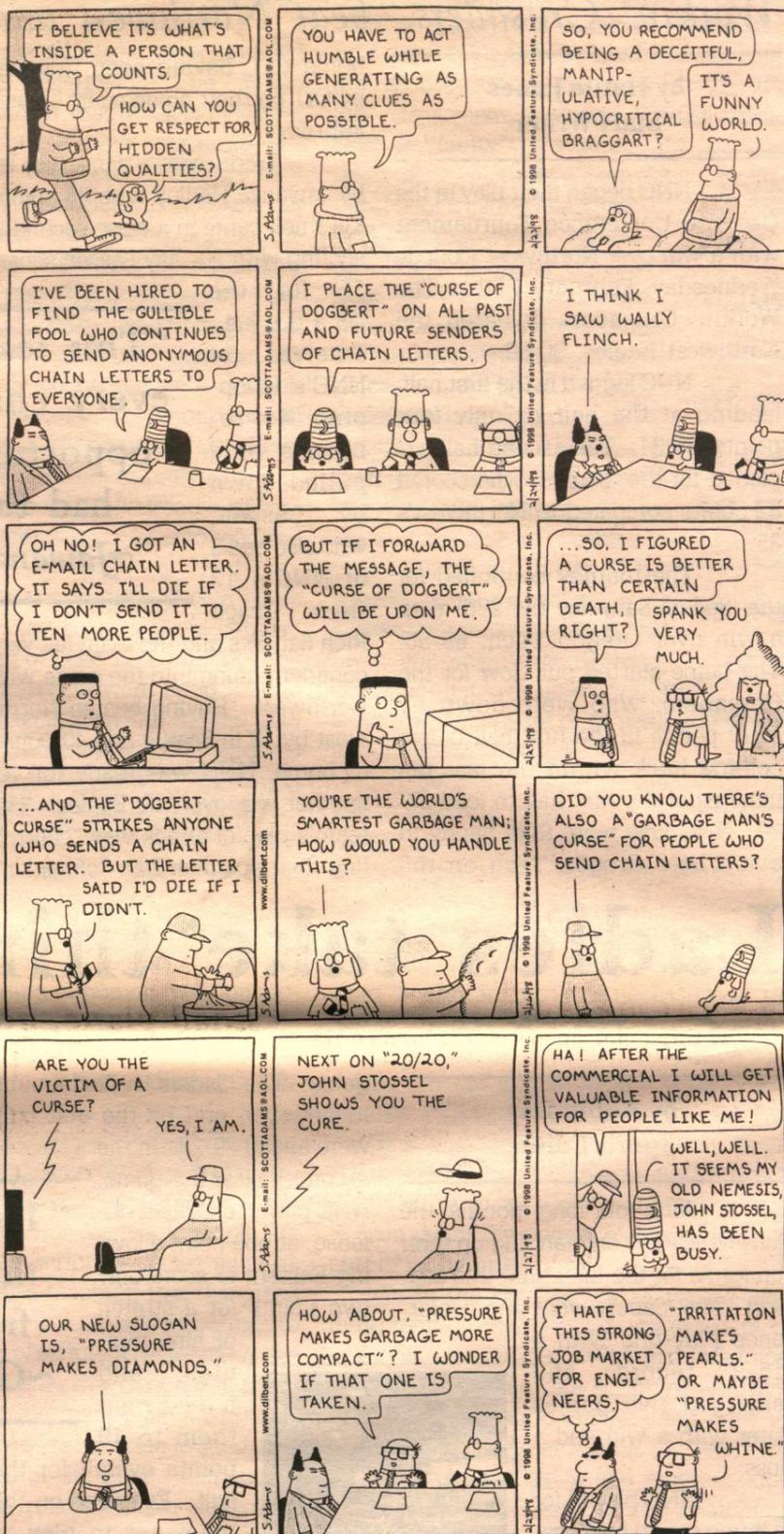
The 1997-98 Crusader Women's Basketball team, coached by Stephanie Arland, Duanne Slemmer and Roger Schmidt. The team managers are Brandy Clarke and Stacie Osborne.

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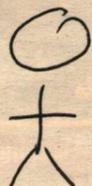
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Hey Spot! I'm running for ASNMC President



what's your campaign strategy?

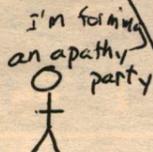
I'm going to tailor my campaign to the largest demographic group on campus



which is?

People who don't vote

Don't care about student government? I'm with YOU! PDM 4 Pres



one's small problem...

Chris Field, I'm giving you one last chance. Leave 50¢ in unmarked bills in the ASNMC Suggestion Box, and I'll drop out of the race. Remember, No Cops.

Boring weekend? Go car bowling

Women often ask, "What do men really want, deep in their souls?"

The best answer -- based on in-depth analysis of the complex and subtle interplay of thought, instinct and emotion that constitutes the male psyche -- is that deep in their souls, men want to watch stuff go "bang."

When I was about 10 years old, my friend Neil Thompson and I found a heavy old industrial washing machine that somebody had dumped in the woods. We spent an entire afternoon laboriously rolling the washing machine up a hill and pushing it off the edge of a small cliff. It would tumble down and smash onto some rocks, and we'd immediately go down and start laboriously rolling it back up the hill again. We would NEVER have expended that kind of effort on anything useful, such as mowing a lawn. But it was worth the hard work. Because of the "bang."

Of course as males mature and become responsible members of society, they are less likely to spend their time pushing washing machines off cliffs. They are most likely to pursue an activity such as car bowling. This is an exciting new sport that I found out about from an alert reader named Robert Grimm. He referred me to a friend of his named Mark Luman, a pilot in Michigan, who informed me that what he and his pilot friends sometimes do, for recreation, is go up in an airplane and drop bowling balls on a car.

At this point, many of you women are thinking, "They drop WHAT? On WHAT? From WHAT??" Whereas you men, because of your complex and subtle psychic interplay, are thinking: "When can I do this?"

I have to admit that the idea of car bowling appealed to me, although I did have a couple of concerns, the main one being:

1. Are the MOTEORISTS in these cars?
2. Do the pilots wear rental shoes?

I am pleased to report that the answer to both questions is "no." Luman told me that in car bowling, you use an unoccupied junk car, which you place on the runway of a private airport. Then you fly over in a small plane, going 80 to 90 miles per hour at an altitude of 20 to 50 feet, and attempt to hit the car with a bowling ball. If you succeed, you get the sense of inner spiritual gratification that comes from seeing what happens to a car that has been hit by a

bowling ball. But the beauty of car bowling is that even if you MISS, you get a very positive result, from the male perspective.

"You cannot imagine," said Luman, "how far a bowling ball will bounce when it hits a hard surface at that speed. It's AMAZING."



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But fun though it is, I believe that car bowling could be adapted to provide major social benefits in the field of shopping mall parking enforcement. Think how many times you've been inconvenienced at the mall because some jerk has left his car sprawling across two parking spaces. Right now, little can be done about this, because the law prohibits mall security personnel from writing parking tickets. But the law does NOT -- I urge you to confirm this for yourself -- specifically state that mall security personnel may not drop bowling balls on im-

properly parked cars from low flying aircraft. And if I know anything about mall security personnel, they would jump at the chance.

Oh, sure, there would be a certain degree of risk. You cannot guarantee 100% surgical accuracy with this kind of operation; you're going to have some unfortunate situations where an errant bowling ball, traveling at 85 miles an hour, blasts through the wall of, say, a crowded greeting-card store. But that will be a small price to pay if motorists start showing some respect for the parking-lot lines. As the old saying goes: "You can't make an omelet without jeopardizing the lives of innocent people."

Speaking of high-speed bowling balls, here's a:

TREBUCHET UPDATE

You may recall that some months ago I wrote a column about three Texas guys - John Quincy, Richard Clifford and Don Capers - who want to build a trebuchet -- a medieval weapon similar to, but more advanced than, a catapult -- capable of hurling a Buick 200 yards. I'm pleased to report that they've made important progress in the form of producing hats, T-shirts and official stationery that says "International Hurling Society."

Also they made a video. It opens with an artsy shot of their prototype trebuchet silhouetted against the sky; dramatic music is playing in the background. A somber voice says: "We have created a weapon of war that the world has not seen in more than 500 years. Why?"

Then another voice says: "I have no idea."

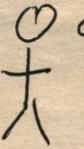
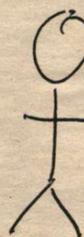
This is followed by scenes of the prototype hurling bowling balls an astounding distance. Watching it, I couldn't help but think: This thing could DEFINITELY bring down a small plane.

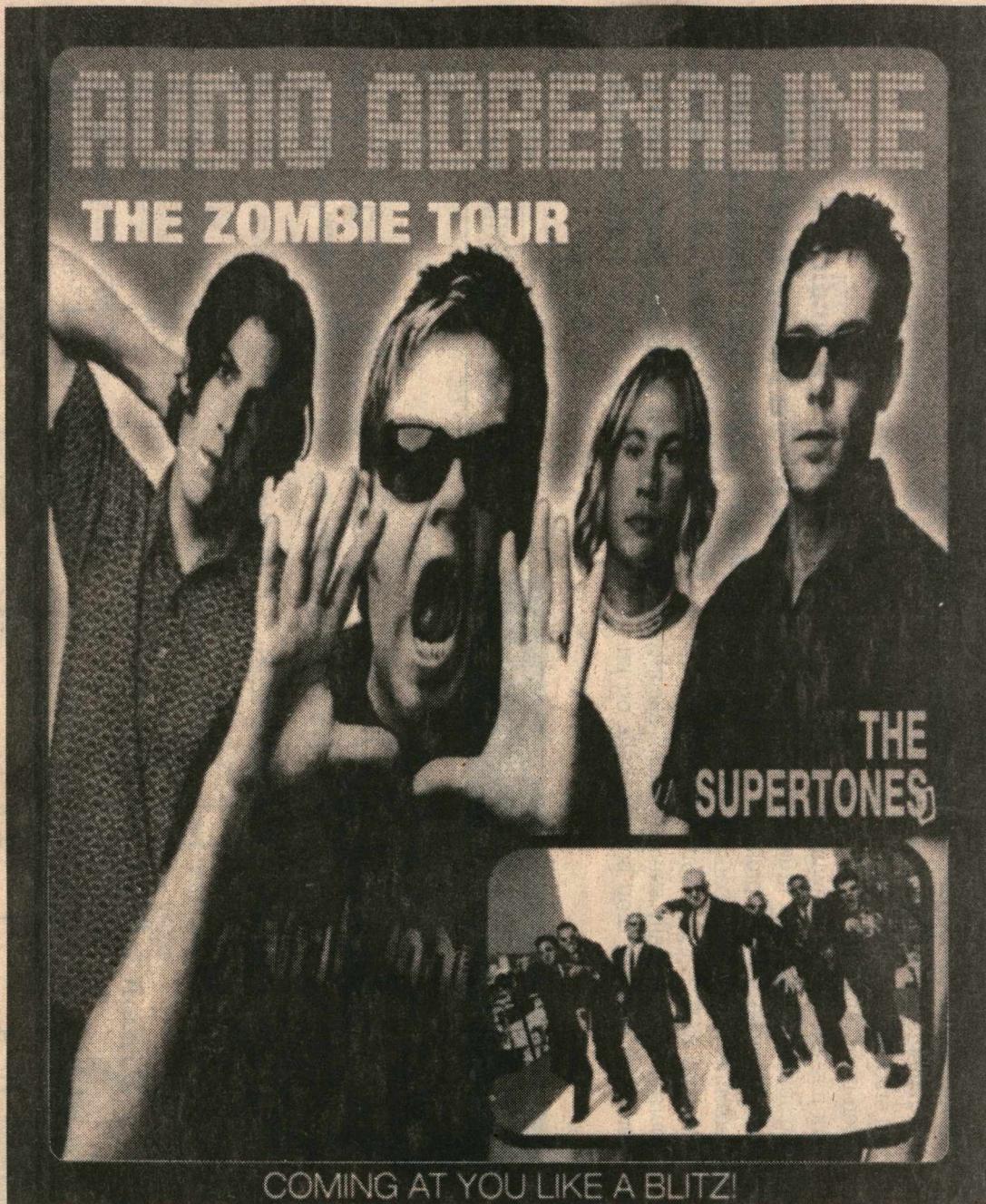
Not that I am suggesting anything.

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Poorly Drawn Man

by David Stillman

<p>Attitude Plus Action To Help You</p>  <p>PDM 4 Pres</p>	<p>If elected, I won't do anything</p> <p>Poorly Drawn Man</p>  <p>at least</p>  <p>he's nonest</p>	<p>If you come to me with a problem, I'll have it solved before you can read the KORAN</p>  <p>PDM... a man of action a man of words a man with 0% body fat</p>	<p>So, how goes the campaign?</p>  <p>I don't care anymore</p>
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