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OUR VETERANS

John Bacon

Branch: Navy
Dates: 1990-1993

Myles Corrigan

Branch: Marine Corps
Dates: 1963-1966

Don Erlitz

Branch: Army
Dates: 1970-1972

Experience: stationed at Ft. Lewis and then did one tour in Vietnam

Beth Fahlberg

Branch: Air Force
Dates: 1988-1991

Dan Hickman

Branch: Air Force
Dates: 1970-1973

Experience: a tour in Vietnam in 1971-1972

Jim Jessup

Branch: Navy

Experience: served for 9 years on submarines as an electronics technician and nuclear reaction operator

Christian Lindbeck

Branch: Air Force
Years: 1988-1992

Aaron Miller

Branch: Army
Dates: 1994-1997

Don North

Branch: Army
Dates: 1957-1963

Experience: I served in the U. S. Army on active duty for two years from April 1957 to April 1959, in active reserve from April 1959 to April 1961, and on inactive reserve from April 1961 to April 1963. My ultimate active duty rank was Specialist 4th Class having served all of my two years at Fort Chaffee, Arkansas, Fort Hood, Texas, and Fort Polk, Louisiana. My claim to fame is that I was in the army at Fort Hood, Texas with Elvis Presley.

David Oleson

Branch: Army

Experience: I am retired from the US Army Reserve after 30 years. I am a Lieutenant Colonel in the Corp of Engineers.

Sam Self

Branch: Marine Corps

Experience: served in the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marine Division and went on a tour in vietnam in 1967-1968

Mike Wisler

Branch: Coast Guard
Dates: 1995-2000

Experience: I served in the U.S. Coast Guard in March 1995 thru August 2000. During this time I completed U.S. Navy Dive School and did diving operations in the Arctic Ocean.

I completed Aviation Electrician Training. I was a mechanic and did Search and Rescue on HH 60 Jayhawk Helicopters in Cape Cod, Mass.

I finished my enlistment as a 2nd Class Petty Officer (E-5).

Also, when I was at the air station in Cape Cod, John F. Kennedy, Jr's plane crashed into the ocean. The base turned into to the media capital of the world for about 4 days.

This is not a comprehensive list. Only those who responded to our request are included.

A look into Dr. Newbill's experience in Vietnam

In 1962, Gary Newbill enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve. With the escalating conflict in Vietnam on the horizon, Gary went on active duty, going to Officer Candidate School and becoming a Lieutenant. He was trained as an Infantry Platoon Commander and a Field Artillery Officer.

In 1965, after eight months in the Marine Corps, he married Karen. Until he was deployed to Vietnam, he and Karen served as lay leaders in the high school youth group at the chapel in Camp Pendleton.

Lt. Newbill arrived in Vietnam on March 1, 1965. He served for the first six months as an Artillery Forward Observer, then as the Executive Officer of an Artillery Battery. It's hard to imagine in these days of GPS systems that tell you how to steer your car to the right restaurant, and even how far it is to the pin on the golf course. But before all this technology, Gary had to do it the old fashioned way, up close and dangerous.

"I never even used binoculars," he recalls. "I had to be that close." As close as 100 yards to the artillery fire he was calling in on the enemy.

He lost his sergeant to wounds, and had to stay on duty for 24 hours. Out of the 100 men in his battery, the oldest was 32.

Lt. Newbill was all of 24.

In 1966, he returned to the U.S., to 29 Palms. After a little more than two years, Gary was promoted to Captain. In 1968, he was mustered out of the Marines, and became what he had expected to be all along – a high school teacher. Years later, he is now the Dean of the School of Education at Northwest University.

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My Experience in the Korean Army

BY DR. DOO JUNG (DJ) JIN
Faculty

The Korean (South) army is notoriously known for its toughness. Physically, mentally, and emotionally, it was a very tough place to be in.

I wanted to come to the U.S. for my advanced studies after I completed my undergraduate degree. While you were in college, the Korean army didn't draft you to the military service, but you had to complete the military service before you could go abroad. So, to save time, I volunteered for the service instead of waiting to be drafted.

The recruit basic training camp was so physically demanding, mentally challenging, and emotionally tough that the six-week period felt like forever.

My life philosophy was and is to get the most out of any situation or environment I am in. I wanted to get the most out of my service in the military as I could. My main goal was to toughen myself.

Often we had to run miles fully armed, which means wearing a rucksack, rain gear, folding shovel, canteen, steel helmet with inner fiberglass helmet, and holding an

M-1 rifle. We had to disassemble and reassemble M-1 rifle in the total darkness and had to be prepared for any possible circumstance.

All training was with the understanding that we were facing, almost nose-to-nose, the enemy – North Korea. The North Korean counterpart was said to be as tough or even possibly tougher than we were.

After going through all these hard trainings, I came out refined physically, mentally, and emotionally. I gained confidence, confidence that I can endure hardships and that I can survive in any environment.

I genuinely appreciate the Korean proverb that says: "Hardship while young is worth buying."

Physical, mental and emotional refinement was not all that I gained in the military. I was born in a Confucian family. Confucianism is more a philosophical and ethical teaching than it is a religion. As I was grew up, what I observed in nature and in the chemistry laboratory led me to believe that there must be a supreme being who created the universe and designed its details, but I was never able to accept the concept

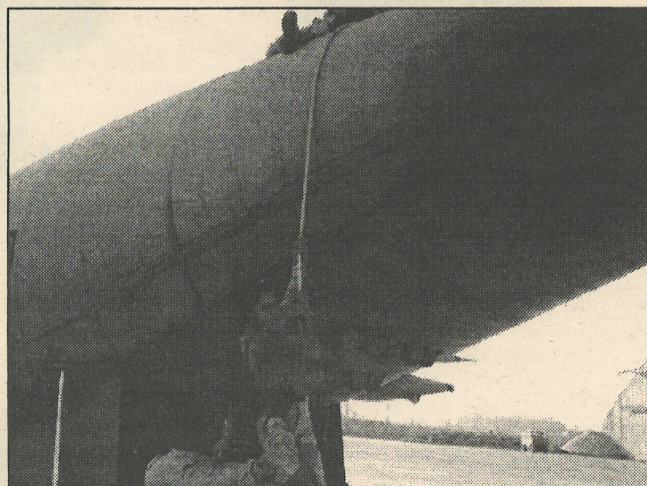
of an almighty God who is living and personal.

When the platoon commander asked who among the recruits were Christians and wanted to go to church, I raised my hand although I was not a Christian. I liked the idea of escape, even if it was only for an hour or so, from that dreary barrack where nothing pleasant or meaningful could be done or come out of.

Since I was a "good" guy, nobody raised the question of the genuineness of my being a Christian. At the military church, I, and most of the other recruits, slept. Even so, my continued regular attendance throughout the rest of my military career awakened and raised the level of my spirituality.

However, my salvation had to wait eleven more years until after I was discharged from the military in October in 1977 in Dallas, Texas. I am reminded of a Korean proverb that says: "Even a *seodang* (school house) dog can, in ten years, learn how to recite poems." Steadfastness eventually pays off. Looking back, I realize our good Lord had been patiently and faithfully waiting for me.

Yolanda Hagen: soldier turned nursing student



I am a nursing student here at Northwest College. I have served in the United States Air Force, Air Force Reserves, and am currently serving in the Washington State Air Force National Guard.

I was activated on March 16, 2003 and was deployed to Iraq from July 12, 2003 to November 18, 2003. I served as a medic in charge of the immunization program.

My experience in Iraq started by circling down onto the base to avoid enemy fire. It was 5:30p.m. by the time we landed in 130 degree weather. The following day, we were greeted by explosives being set off in the near by desert fields. We were not allowed to off the parameter and honestly I did not mind following those orders.

I worked with the Army field medics and the British field medic in providing medical care to our troops. Part of my duty was to respond to in-flight emergencies and we had many. My team and I made daily "house calls" in which we visited the troops in their workplace and provided on-the-spot medical care.

student ministry young life

BY HEATHER DANIELSON
Reporter

As you well know, ministry opportunities abound on our small campus. You can help the elderly, pick up garbage at LW football games or join a prayer group. I sat down with Katie Uberti to talk about Young Life. Katie is one of Northwest's liaisons to this area's Young Life Club.

As an outsider having never gone to Young Life, I was pleasantly surprised at the opportunities that Young Life presents to youth in this area. Katie accepted Christ at a Young Life event and feels a great desire to help the club that gave her so much.

Katie says, "Our mission statement is: 'Every kid, everywhere, for eternity'. Young Life is a world wide organization that hosts hundreds of kids every week across this area that have never even had the gospel presented to them.

"They want to have fun and have someone they can talk to about their problems," Katie said. That is where leaders like Katie come in. She leads a group of sophomore girls at Cascade High School in Snohomish County every week. Meetings consist of games, skits, and some singing time. Meetings are designed to get the kids to loosen up and have fun.

"Typically, young life clubs meet on Mondays, but I also like to bring my girls

to church with me on Sunday," Katie said. The specific Young Life club that Katie is involved not only appeals to kids who are curious about what it means to be a Christian, but this club also tries to plug kids into a home church on a weekly basis.

As the year goes on, the messages presented at the Monday night meetings get deeper and begin to make kids question their spirituality. Young Life believes that you have to earn the right to be heard so they spend a lot of time helping leaders build strong bonds with the kids in their groups.

Katie says, "We always need leaders and over the years the support that is there for us has grown substantially. It is a very big commitment but the chance to lead someone to Christ makes it all worthwhile."

If you would like to get involved with a Young Life Club in your area contact Katie at 889-6925 or the ASB office at 889-5280.

"We want to show these kids that Christians not only live life but they live life fully," Katie said.

Update from Triumph Prison Ministry

Our second trip to a prison this semester was a great success. This being my third year in the ministry, I have never seen God's move in such a powerful way as I saw this weekend.

We left Northwest College at 9:30am and arrived at Nasselle Juvenile Center a 2:00p.m. with a van full of people. Nasselle is located southwest of Olympia—at the southwestern tip of Washington, almost at the boarder with Oregon. We were welcomed and greeted warmly by Chaplain Tony who gave background on the people in the facility: 160 total inmates

40% are incarcerated for gang, drug, and/or theft related incidents
40% of the males are sex offenders
85% are connected to drugs and/or alcohol
While 50% admit they are addicted to drugs and/or alcohol, in reality, approximately 65% are addicts.

95-98% of the females have been sexually molested during elementary or middle school
According to Chaplain Tony, sexually molested females are overpowered by their anger and experience to the point that they express their aggression, even though, by nature, it's not a female's tendency to be aggressive. Some girls are kept in the facility just to save their lives because they would not live long on the streets.

We then divided into male and female groups and entered the facilities where the juveniles live. I'm sure some of the first-timers felt uncomfortable, but they made conversations with the prisoners. Many realized that these are normal people that got into trouble and need a way out.

I, personally, had a great time meeting new juveniles and getting to be friends with them. They realized that I am no different than they are. This helps tear down

the wall between us before the service later on. As they talked with inmates, many of our girls were amazed at what they heard and were moved by it. Sin destroys all—it does not look at age or background.

At 4:30p.m., we had dinner. The service began at 6:30p.m. We had one of our biggest audiences to date. There were 75 inmates and 12 correction officers or "counselors." From my vantage point while running PowerPoint, I watched how the Lord moved from heart to heart.

Ransomed, our worship team, lead worship. Corri Johnson shared a testimony of how she has seen God's love and acceptance in her life. Elizabeth Harris then sang a beautiful song. Gina Berg finished with a powerful testimony that all of the prisoners could relate to of how she lived a life similar to theirs. There was an altar call and 30 inmates raised their hand in a desire to commit their lives to Jesus Christ. Praise God! Pray that they will remain with the Lord.

Please pray for the prisoners that made their decision to let the Lord lead their lives. Some have said they want to find out more about Northwest University and possibly attend. Next time we'll bring applications for those interested. Also, for our Spring Break Prison Tour

I also pray that the work the Lord has begun would continue on. It only gets better from here!

At this time we are working at getting a bass guitar player, drummer, some more guys, and fundraising

The Triumph team would like to thank the NC prayer team for keeping us in their prayers. And special thanks to Cottage Lake Assembly for allowing us to practice in their church and use their sound system when we travel.

Advent is for all Christians

BY NOELLE BONDS
Editor

The day after Thanksgiving, city streets glitter with white lights and evergreen wreaths, Starbucks serves steaming eggnog lattes, and reruns of "A Christmas Tale" play on television. The Christmas season has begun!

Maybe, like me, growing up you had an Advent calendar – a cardboard calendar with a Christmas scene on it. Each morning you opened a small door on the calendar and behind the door was a piece of chocolate. This is reminiscent of the tradition of the Jesse Tree, just one of the many traditions that are observed during the season of Advent.

The Sunday after Thanksgiving, November 28, is when the season of Advent begins. Advent is a time of preparing one's heart for the coming of Jesus. Advent comes from the Latin word for an "arrival" or a "coming". It looks back to the first coming of Christ at Bethlehem, and it looks to the future when Christ will come again.

Traditionally, Advent is a Catholic observance that signals the beginning of the ecclesiastical year. However, Advent is for everyone. The symbolism and participation in Advent traditions can be meaningful to all Christians. Some people believe that tradition is dead. I grew up attending Catholic school and in an Irish Catholic family. For many years I participated in the Advent season. Each Friday, all of the students in my class would gather around the Advent wreath to light the candles and sing the prayers together. Even at a young age, I remember the sense of peace and beauty that would come over me. I believe that it is people that are dead, not traditions. I love the traditions of the Catholic Church. Each element of a mass has deep symbolic meaning. So do the traditions of Advent.

Advent Wreath

One Advent tradition is the advent wreath. The advent wreath is an evergreen wreath with 4 candles placed in it. The candles are gradually lit, one on each Sunday of the Advent season. The wreath is symbolic of everlasting life. The lighting of the three purple candles and one rose candle symbolizes not only our expectation and hope in our Savior's first coming into the

world and his Second Coming at the end of the world. As each candle is lit, there is a prayer that can be said.

The Twelve Days of Christmas

Another Advent tradition is the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas." "The Twelve Days of Christmas" was written in England as a memory aid to help young Catholics learn the tenets of their faith. During the period of 1558 to 1829, people were not allowed to practice Catholicism in England and being caught with any Catholic literature could mean imprisonment. So, school children were taught this song. The twelve gifts are symbolic of the teachings of Christian faith:

- 1 Partridge in a pear tree = Jesus Christ
- 2 Turtle Doves = The Old and New Testaments
- 3 French Hens = Faith, Hope and Charity
- 4 Calling Birds = the Four Gospels
- 5 Golden Rings = the first five books of the Old Testament (the "Pentateuch")
- 6 Geese A-laying = the six days of creation
- 7 Swans A-swimming = the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit and the seven sacraments
- 8 Maids A-milking = the eight beatitudes
- 9 Ladies Dancing = the nine Fruits of the Holy Spirit
- 10 Lords A-leaping = the Ten Commandments
- 11 Pipers Piping = the eleven faithful apostles
- 12 Drummers Drumming = the twelve points of doctrine in the Apostle's Creed

My family and I plan to light the candles on the Advent wreath this year. We want to observe this tradition because it causes us to pause a moment in our busy lives and to, each week, think about the meaning of Christmas.

And my husband and I will probably fight over who gets to eat the chocolate from behind the door on the Advent calendar.

I hope this article has opened your eyes to a beautiful tradition that millions of Christians around the world celebrate every December. And I hope that someone will decide to take part in the Advent season and see the meaning and depth that it can bring to your Christmas holiday.

Student Art Show

November 15-19, 2004

Are you an artist or know someone who is?

Don't miss this great opportunity!

Mediums: Drawing & Painting
All works must be framed or matted
must be ready to hang

All entries are due by November 10

CALL FOR ENTRIES

Contact:

Daniel Rice - 425.889.6936

Juried Show - prizes given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places

asb watch proposed budget

ASB WATCH

Want to know how ASB spends your money?

INCOME BREAKDOWN FOR 1 STUDENT

Income	Fall	Spring	Total
Karisma	\$ 59.00	\$ -	\$ 49,501.00
Athletic Fund	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 3,356.00
Athletic Championship Travel Fund	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.24	\$ 2,097.50
Banquet	\$ -	\$ 32.00	\$ 26,848.00
Classes	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.50	\$ 2,936.50
Student Associations	\$ 1.75	\$ 1.50	\$ 2,726.75
Miscellaneous Fund	\$ 30.00	\$ 39.75	\$ 58,520.25
Surplus from 2003-2004 fiscal year			\$ 7,400.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 96.00	\$ 78.00	\$153,386.00

EXPENSES

Name of Expense	Fall	Spring	Total
Karisma	\$49,501.00	\$ -	\$ 49,501.00
Athletic Fund	\$ 1,678.00	\$ 1,678.00	\$ 3,356.00
Athletic Championship Travel Fund	\$ 1,048.75	\$ 1,048.75	\$ 2,097.50
Banquet	\$ -	\$26,848.00	\$ 26,848.00
Classes	\$ 1,678.00	\$ 1,258.50	\$ 2,936.50
Student Associations	\$ 1,468.25	\$ 1,258.50	\$ 2,726.75
ASB Scholarships	\$23,430.00	\$23,430.00	\$ 46,860.00
ASB Orientation	\$ 2,820.00	\$ -	\$ 2,820.00
ASB Homecoming	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
ASB Banquet Prep	\$ -	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,400.00
ASB Activities	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
ASB Intramurals	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,500.00
ASB Campus Ministry	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
ASB office expenses	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 3,300.00
Pecota Center Maintenance	\$ 387.50	\$ 387.50	\$ 775.00
Talon	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,400.00
ASB Retreat	\$ 295.00	\$ -	\$ 295.00
ASB general account	\$ 585.25	\$ 585.00	\$ 1,170.25
TOTAL	\$90,191.75	\$63,794.25	\$153,986.00

Low attendance at first Student Forum

When: October 13, 2004

The Forum was put to order by Lindsay Fosner at 4:05pm. Lindsay Fosner opened in a word of prayer, and also went over the the Rules of Order.

Lindsay Opened the floor to Britton August to talk about his Agenda Item.

Britton explained his complaint, and how parking is an issue, and how he wanted to see it changed.

1. The areas that are lacking in regards to parking are:
 - a. Apartments
 - b. By Dorms
 - c. Assigned Parking/Designated.
2. The person in Charge of Parking and all Campus Up-Keep is Don Schimmelfig.
3. Proposed Ideas:
 - a. Adding more Parallel Parking
 - b. Adding safer parking, LIGHTING?
 - c. Having Northwest Friday Visitors park somewhere else.
 - d. More Shuttle Service, and lighting along pathway.
 - e. Communicating more clearly that Staff Parking is available after 5pm until 7am.

Lindsay opened the floor to some discussion topics.

1. Lounge Curfew
 - a. Would like to have the curfew of the lounge match our actual curfew.
2. Technology Fee – Johanna Burch motioned to discuss.
 - a. Would like to see a breakdown of the fee, so we know what we are paying for.
 - b. Is it fair that the Commuter Students have to pay that fee?
3. Security Guards – Kristin Hingtgen motioned to discuss.
 - a. Kristin would like more respect towards the students from the Security Guards. She has been treated unfairly by them.

Student Council meeting addresses key parking issue

When: October 20, 2004

- 1) Lindsay Fosner, ASB President, opened with prayer at 4:04pm
- 2) Lindsay shared an update of what had happened since that meeting
 - a) Student Forum
 - i) Parking Issues
 - ii) Security Guards and respect
- 3) Lindsay introduced Steve Sankey, from the office of Advancement.
 - a) Steve was brought in by Jesse and Bethenee to explain an overview of what is going to happen with the campus, and in regards to parking.
 - i) In regards to parking, in accordance with the City of Kirkland, and the Houghton Neighborhood Council, Northwest University is only allowed to have 1200 students maximum, and as a result of that, to remain in this residential neighborhood, there is a max of 1,178 parking spots on campus. We currently have 1,102 spots.
 - iii) In regards to the apartment parking, If they had built the apartments anywhere else in Kirkland, there would be the same amount of parking. There is a requirement of 1.7 parking spots per apartment. And that is what NU has. They can't put much more, because of the neighborhood around them.
 - b) Lindsay relayed information, about her conversations with Christian Lindbeck in regards to this issue, and they are in the works of providing more lighting on campus to make it more safe, and some emergency beacons. But the only thing preventing us from getting those, is the Neighborhood Council, and Money. (Safety Strategic Plan).
 - c) Lindsay also talked to Christian about the general disrespect from Security Guards, and Christian said he is getting the same complaint from them. We all need to work on being respectful to EVERYONE.
- 4) Activities
 - a) Jesse gave his Executive Report.
 - i) The Blood Drive is coming up on October 27, 2004.
 - ii) The Talent Show is on October 29, 2004
 - iii) Freshman Class Broomball is on November 12th.
 - iv) Married Students' Night Out on November 19, 2004. 7pm to Midnight. RSVP is required! In Apartments Community Room.
 - v) Banquet: is going to be drastically changed!
 - (1) Raina McMillan raised the idea of having a shuttle service to the Seahawks Stadium, because some people took the bus last year.
 - vi) Roomies: Fill out the forms, and turn them in by October 27, 2004! Winners will be announced at the Talent Show.
- 5) Ministries
 - a) Justin gave his Executive Report.
 - i) There is a new Ministry
 - (1) Josh Chittum and Justin will be working on it, it will be focused on Evangelism.
- 6) Intramurals
 - a) Caleb gave his Executive Report.
 - i) The major source of Caleb's Communication is on the BOARD in the Pecota Center, check it out!
 - ii) New Intramurals:
 - (1) Powder Puff Football in the Spring.
 - (2) Dodgeball
 - (3) Volleyball
 - (4) Basketball
 - iii) There will be more gym availability since volleyball will be over soon.
 - iv) Caleb has been working on improving Communication, and fliers have been another avenue of advertisement.
- 7) Treasurer
 - a) Kylie gave her Executive Report.
 - i) Money has been allocated for the Talon, so they can produce the publication that they want.
 - ii) Associated Commuter Students will be added to the Budget starting next semester.
 - iii) Movie License
 - b) She is researching it, and looking into it, as a student body, we are not allowed to watch movies that are not being shown in our area of residence. So where people can walk by, and watch the movie, it is illegal.
- 8) Lindsay adjourned the meeting at 5:05pm.

NEXTMEETING:
Student Forum

Wednesday, 11/17

4:00p.m. in F-7

all students are invited

If you want to be heard on campus, this is your chance.

NEXTISSUE

- Update from the 11/17 Student Forum
- Update from the 12/1 Student Council
- Announcements from ASB
- Detailed campus parking plans

New Missionary in Residence from Chad gets real

BY GIDEON COPPLE
Reporter

KIRKLAND, Wash. - Deep inside the African continent lies Chad - an ancient country roughly the size of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho combined. Hailed by scientists as the 'cradle of civilization', Chad has produced earth's oldest human-like skeletons - some dating back some 7 million years.

In more recent times, however, Chad has undergone its fair share of strife. Bloody civil wars have picked up where fierce grips of French colonialism left off. The country today is plagued with political unrest, leftover mines waiting to maim unsuspecting children, and an array of devastating health conditions.

In fact, modern Chadians are lucky if they live to the age of 48. Perhaps more than ever, the people of Chad are aching for the love and peace of Christ.

Enter Reverend Bill Shaw - missionary extraordinaire.

He has braved the jungles and deserts of Africa. He voluntarily made his exit from the American comfort zone in which he was born and raised. He has built churches. He has trained pastors. He's even managed to raise a family along the way. Actually, he has no intention of stopping. Shaw is fighting the good fight.

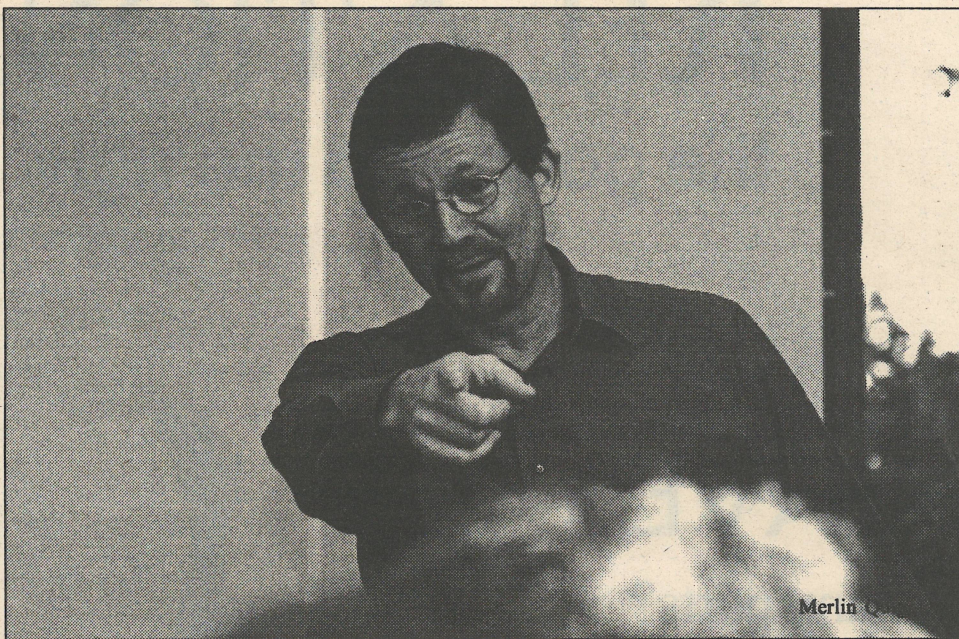
Now, Shaw is serving as Northwest University's Missionary-in-Residence.

Being a Northwest graduate himself (class of '78), Shaw is no stranger to the college. Apart from filling his role as Missionary-in-Residence, he also works at a local church in his hometown of Bremerton, Wash.

After situating his two Africa-raised daughters, Gwendolyn and Bethany, in American colleges, he and his wife, Sonia, plan to leave the good life behind and return to N'Djamena, Chad. N'Djamena, he explains, is pronounced 'EN-JAH-MAY-NA'. Did we mention he speaks French, as well?

With nearly two decades of overseas missionary work under his belt, Shaw was the perfect candidate to suggest some common misconceptions that wannabe missionaries have. Northwest is, after all, an institution crawling with young missionary-to-be whippersnappers (a.k.a. Missions Majors) longing for the day they, too, will be released into the wild.

"The biggest misconception?" he starts, chuckling. He looks down at the floor.



"I think the expectations people have - great expectations - are unrealistic. There is an over-spiritualizing of mission work." He stops to think again, choosing his words carefully. "People think: 'Once I get overseas, all my problems will be solved and I'll be on this constant spiritual high because I'm serving God.'"

"But that's not what happens," he says, looking up.

Shaw goes on to explain that, generally, problems hidden at home here in the United States usually become open and obvious once one heads overseas. "The myth that everyone who works over in the mission field is very spiritual and has no problems is just that: a myth."

Common misconceptions aside, however, what is the best way for people to prepare for the wild 'n wacky world of missionary work?

"The best way is to be active in ministry here," he says. "Then, as you're able to - and this is happening more and more - try to be involved with an ethnic church somewhere: preferably from the area you intend to work with."

"If you want to go to Asia, then find a Chinese church or a Korean church, for example."

Being involved with a non-American church, he explains, will help with both language study and understanding the culture.

When asked what he would have done differently, looking back over his life since graduating, Shaw is quick to answer -

he would have completed post-graduate training earlier rather than later. "I would have pursued as much education as I could stand," he says. "Going on to a doctoral degree is important, too. It never hurt anyone: it's another tool in your toolbox."

He also says he would have taken more time to be with his family. "I was pretty much a workaholic. I would've taken more time with my two daughters and my wife. They never complained, but it would've been better if I had taken more time and not have been so... task-oriented."

All his overseas work since 1985 has not, however, been in vain. Grinning as he points to several photos on the wall of him with his African colleagues, his eyes light up. It becomes clear that part of him can't wait to return to N'Djamena.

The best part of his initiative in Africa, Shaw says, are times in which it's crystal clear that God is at work. "Seeing churches started where they said we'd never be able to start churches. And the church is thriving today!"

Shaw is excited to see where life will take future Northwest grads as they set out to carry the call. "In terms of reaching the world," he says, smiling, "the easy places are taken. The hard places are what remain. It's up to you to carry it through." Christianity's Great Commission has never seemed greater.

Questions? Comments? Rev. Shaw would love to hear from you. Drop him a line at bill.shaw@agmd.org.

New small group, Grex Christianus

BY HEATHER DANIELSON
Reporter

Do you find yourself slightly overwhelmed anytime you come to a door on campus? Do the many posters plastered on the doors cause you to feel slightly nauseous? I have come up with a solution! I have decided to read only one poster per door that I come to. I avert my eyes from all but one poster and then I absorb any and all information from the chosen poster.

In doing this, I may have read the one and only sign advertising a certain Greek sounding group and my curiosity was peaked. I was able to get to the bottom of what Grex Christianus is all about. "Grex", as the club is called by Dr. Heugel, is a group of eight or nine people that meet together on Thursday nights for a discussion group. Their function is to discuss topics of interest

to group members. These topics can range from personal topics such as God's will in their lives or more philosophical topics like predestination and politics.

Simply defined Grex Christianus means "Christian Group" and was founded three years ago by Heugel and Nathan Moser. There are three goals that guide the Thursday night meetings:

1. Discussion: it is time when you can discuss what has been on your mind. Generally, several topics are raised and the group votes as to which one they would like to discuss for the night.

2. Relational Support and Fellowship: because of the intimate nature of this group, you must commit for the entire semester. Sharing personal experiences can make you vulnerable and group members like people to be accountable

3. Prayer: the group uses prayer to help them seek God's will on the issues presented.

Currently Grex meets late Thursday nights at one of the member's apartments. The time varies based on what works best for the group.

If you are interested in joining Grex, please call Dr. Heugel at x4098. The group size is limited, so if Grex is full this semester you can discuss the possibility of committing to next semester.

I hope I was able to relieve some of that daunting pressure you feel when you come to a door here on campus. Phew! That's one poster down and about sixty-three more to go!

campus calendar

November 6
Women's Basketball Game
Pavilion at 6p.m.
Men's Basketball Game
Pavilion at 8p.m.

November 8-12
Spring Registration

November 11
Veteran's Day
School Closed

November 12
Broom Ball

November 13
Music Department Jass Concert
Butterfield Chapel
7:30p.m.

November 15-19
Student Art Show

November 17
Student Forum
Room F-7
4p.m.

November 17-20
Fall Play: *Comedy Tonight!*:
Broadway Songs and 1-Act Plays
Millard Hall
7:30p.m.

November 21
Shane & Shane Concert
Butterfield Chapel
7p.m.

November 23
Men's Basketball Game
Pavilion at 7:00p.m.

November 24
No Chapel

November 25-26
Thanksgiving Holiday
School Closed

Monday Nights
Pursuit
Butterfield Chapel
9p.m.

Tuesday Nights
Debate Society
Room F-5
7:30p.m.

Wednesday Nights
Movie Night
Aerie Java Shop
7p.m.

Thursday Nights
Grex Christianus
7:00p.m.

RELATIONSHIPS

the good and the ugly

TALON SURVEY

One body or just many parts?

BY BRIAN STEEN & NOELLE BONDS
Reporter & Editor

Based on a random poll taken in Chapel of 104 students or 11.9 % of the student body:

One student said, "Over one-half of the school is AG. If you really want to claim denominations don't matter, then don't bring it up." But the fact is, denominations exist and we can't ignore the issues this raises.

Denominations exist, but do they matter? Not really. 56.7% of the people polled said that they have been significantly influenced by two or more denominations. 69.2% would take a job from another denomination than the one they are currently a member of. If you've heard the saying, "You can tell where a person's priorities are by looking at their checkbook" than I have good news: denominational differences are not a priority to 55.7% of the students polled - they would donate a significant amount of money to a denomination other than their own.

Unfortunately, while some people polled said denominations don't matter, others said they experience alienation. Almost 27% of people polled feel like they don't fit in. 47% of people polled have heard negative talk on campus in the classroom or in a social setting.

One senior student said, "This school puts down anything that isn't AG, almost as if AG is the only Christian religion. Its makes me sick! I'll never hold a positive view of the AG church now."

Another student said, "There is a lack of tolerance for other Biblical doctrine."

Some people polled also felt that the Chapel services at Northwest do not reflect the diverse denominational background of its students.

One student said, "While some people are from different denominations, the paid speakers are seemingly, distinctly AG. There is a lack of denominational variety."

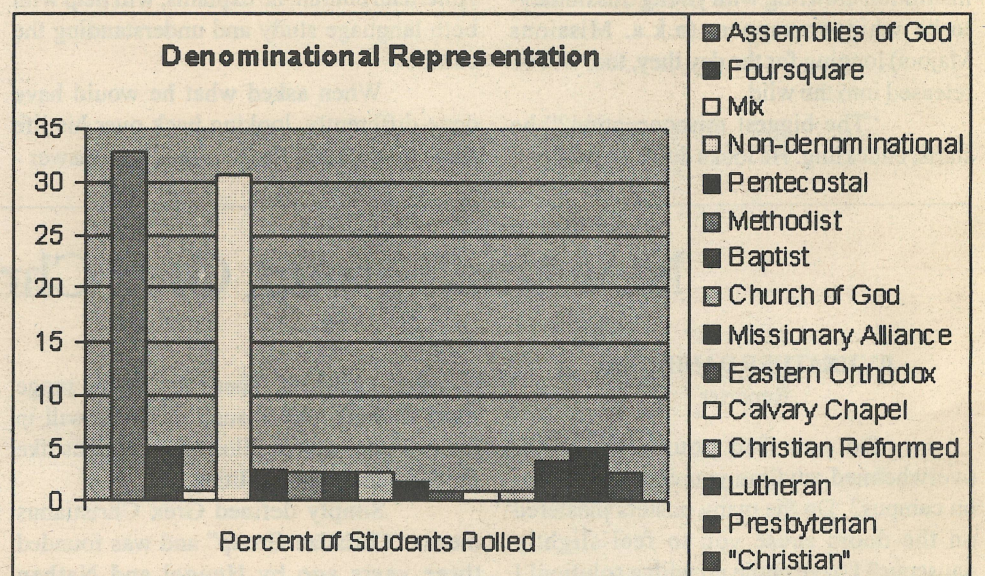
Another said, "I feel like chapel is absolutely geared toward a specific group of people."

Denominational differences exist and we all agree that, ideally, differences shouldn't separate Christians. However, in reality, there is discord between denominations which causes hurt.

Bottom line: We, as the body of Christ, portray Christ to a dying world and we should invite people into a community that can live and work together despite its differences. As Paul says in 1 Corinthians 12, the foot can't say to the eye that he is not needed and the eye to the ear that he is not needed. Just as husband and wife contribute unique strengths and weaknesses to a marriage, so do the denominations of the Christian faith. Scrutinized individually, any denomination has problems and falls short of fully portraying Christ and fulfilling the Great Commission. However, take a step back and view the denominations as a fluid, connected whole and they form a beautiful fresco - individual differences, scars, and boundaries blurred to create an energetic, effective means of communication. As the future leaders of our neighborhood church, if we as Northwest College students can grasp this idea, maybe denominations *won't* matter to our children.

What others had to say:

- "It's the same God, it shouldn't make a difference." "Though we are many, we are one body..."
- "I feel like we are too caught up in how a denomination is doing with how many are saved or how many churches are planted overseas. I don't care how the AG is doing, what is God doing?"
- "Denominations don't matter, the basic fundamentals and the Bible matter."
- "Denominations only help to divide the unity that Christ and Paul worked so hard to establish."
- "As long as the denomination aligns with the fundamental beliefs of the Bible, I don't really care what the denomination is."
- "I honestly don't see the need for denominational churches. I have attended a nondenominational church for most of my life. For purposes of accountability and missions, we have a group of sister churches. Other than that, I see no need for national denominations. I'd rather not have someone in Missouri telling my church what to do. Denominations often have too much power."
- "I am not as interested in denominations and labels. I am more interested in fellowship of all believers of Jesus Christ, no matter what building that takes place in."



Have been influenced by another denomination: 56.7%

Would accept a job from another denomination: Yes: 69.2%
No: 9.6%
Maybe: 21.1%

Would donate to another denomination: Yes: 55.7%
No: 16.3%
Maybe: 27.8%

People who took the poll:

Men: 27 or 25.96%
Women: 76 or 71.02%
Freshman: 33 or 33.73%
Sophomore: 32 or 30.76%
Junior: 20 or 19.23%
Senior: 19 or 18.26%

Doing it different: advice for women

BY NOELLE BONDS
Editor

I married a man I dated for only 2 months. Unusual? Yes. Naïve? No.

I am where most of you want to be in the near future in your personal lives – happily married and the parent of a beautiful baby. To get here, I didn't follow the usual customs of American singles and students here at Northwest.

In high school and college, I did not date. I had a boyfriend my freshman year of high school and quickly figured out that dating, especially in high school, was a waste of time, money, energy, and emotion. I vowed that the next person I dated would be my husband.

Instead of pursuing boys, I concentrated on making myself the best person I could be. I was one of those romantic girls that had a long list of what she wanted her husband to be like. According to that list, he was going to be one wonderful superman! The best relationship advice I ever received came in high school from my mom. She told me that anything I expect my husband to be, I should be, too. If I wanted a husband who is characterized by patience and compassion for people, I should be a patient and compassionate person. Why would this superman want a mediocre woman?

Randy and I had been friends for almost a year before we started dating. Inside, both of us were developing deep feelings and began to wonder if we were "meant for each other." We did not begin dating until we were almost entirely sure that we wanted to get married. We committed to each other that we would not say "I love you" until we knew that we were going to say it to each other for the rest of our lives.

When it's right, it doesn't take long to figure out. We began dating at the end of October and got engaged in January. We were engaged for 11 months and got married on December 28, 2002. And guess what? Randy fits every item on my childish, romantic list (except for being able to braid hair, but I don't think that's detrimental).

When I see the current dating climate on campus, it makes me sad. I sometimes even get enraged. It's a common saying: "You can't do what you've always done and expect different results." But it's true. The American singles' culture and

unfortunately the dating culture at NC as well tend to breed sex before marriage, getting married because the girl is pregnant, and divorce.

Dating isn't bad; it's the way you go about it that matters. We've become secular here at NC. The Bible tells us as women to be pure and modest and that God has a call on each of our lives. Purity applies not only to our sexuality, but, I believe, also to our emotions. Think about how extramarital affairs begin: with emotional ties. Be slow to give your emotions to someone. Be aware that flirting exploits your dignity.

Modesty is primarily shown through dress. I believe immodest dress is the main issue that needs to be addressed. I'm tired of seeing midriffs, thongs, and Abercrombie clothing. This is not high school, but sometimes you'd never know the difference. Worry more about what you think of yourself when you take an honest look inside than about getting noticed.

I'm tired of seeing girls wearing ponytails and sweatshirts every day. Do you care about looking feminine? You will be expected to dress like intelligent, respectable women as adults in the working world and overly-casual clothing does not give that impression.

Also, dress causes bitterness between the women on campus. Modest girls make negative assumptions about immodest girls and even avoid making friends with them and vice versa.

We each have a call. If you don't know what your call is, consider finding it your number one priority. If you know what your call is, think about that before you go on a date or, even better, before you get emotionally wrapped up in a guy. For example, I knew God called me to be a missionary, so I would not have considered dating someone that did not want to do missionary work. It can be that simple.

I don't mean to offend anyone. There are enough stereotypes and sarcasm out there. I'm done with girls being mean to each other. I hope that you have heard my heart: I want better for the women on this campus. Better preparation for marriages leads to better marriages. Marriage is not the end-all or be-all. But it is a wonderful institution created by God. I love it! And you will, too!

Campus Relationships Not All Bad News

BY MEGHAN YOUNG
Features Editor

As a journalist, I admit it's easy to get caught up in all the bad things the world has to offer. The newspaper is the watchdog of society, barking loudly at any perceived injustices.

But as a Christian, I revel in the gospel- the *good news* which is Jesus Christ and his inexplicable and overwhelming goodness and love. Because of this, I feel it's essential to provide our campus with honesty- if something is wrong, I'll call it. And I will try to do so with a spirit of compassion and fairness. But if something is right, I feel obligated to call that as well.

In that spirit, and in light of our feature on relationships on campus, I thought it was about time to point out some of the good relationships I've witnessed here at Northwest.

Most students are familiar with the concept of brother and sister floors here on campus, but for those who aren't, here's a quick rundown: girls' dormitory floors are paired up with boys' dormitory floors as brother and sister floors. The brother-and-sister floors take retreats together, eat meals together occasionally, and bless one another.

Many floors have a floor mascot or name, and my floor is no different. We have both a brother and sister floor, and they are the Ducks and Chicks, respectively (we are the Flamingoes). Part of our relationship with the Ducks involves attending their intramural football games and giving them our support.

This week, after a particularly painful loss for the Ducks, the Flamingoes were treated to cookies and an appreciation card for their support. The cookies were great, but what really touched our hearts were the things our brothers wrote in that card. Each Duck took a moment to write something to our floor- something encouraging, uplifting, and inspiring.

Besides the obvious benefit of flattery, what really moved me was the act of responsibility it took for the Ducks to do that for us. This card was a great reminder of their roles as our brothers, and as men of God.

Another relationship I find to be of note this year is the teacher-student relationship. I came here from a secular state college, and I was immediately impressed with our teachers praying in class- for us, nonetheless. I encourage you all to take the time to appreciate that- it won't happen elsewhere.

I've been truly blessed this semester with teachers who really care about me. Dr. Kari Brodin has been an awesome source of knowledge and inspiration to me. She always takes the time to answer all of my questions, no matter how seemingly insignificant or nit-picky or off-topic they may be. Professor Lisa Peretti-Stephenson knew my name on the first day of class, and after a particularly tough day I had, called me just to let me know she was thinking of and praying for me. On more than one occasion, Amy Jones in Student Success has listened to me with the patience of an angel as I whined.

I list these examples because I think most of you have had similar experiences with your professors. I encourage you to be respectful, show appreciation, and utilize their knowledge. These people aren't just brilliant people; they're caring, Godly people.

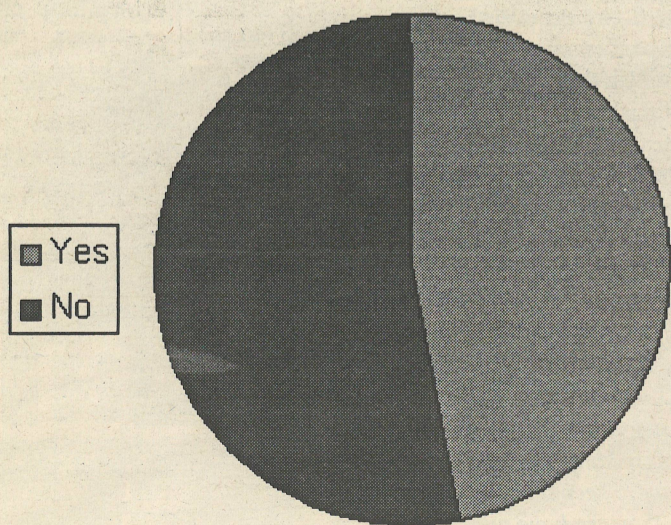
On a final note, I want to speak briefly about student ministry groups. My good friend Corri Johnson is part of the Triumph prison ministry on campus, and I am constantly inspired and impressed with the stories she brings home from her time at Juvenile Detention, ministering to and caring for the young prisoners.

Other friends of mine attended Lighthouse, a community outreach program, a couple of Fridays ago and were not just impacted by the outcasts, homeless people, and drug addicts- they were impacted by the servant's attitude of the Lighthouse regulars and the group leader, Neil Allender.

Our newspaper endeavors to bring news to the student body, to educate and inform you because it's important. Sometimes, there is bad news, and we share it so that you might pray and *act*. Sometimes, there is good news, and we share it to encourage you. Whether good news or bad, however, our prayer is that by information the student body will be encouraged and inspired to *do things*.

Don't be apathetic. We live in a world of material goods and intangibles. Choose what is important to you, and fight for it. Do so in the love of Christ. Be patient, longsuffering, and diligent. Pray, think, and volunteer. Worship with your whole hearts, and make some noise. Most importantly, don't just sit around; create positive relationships and appreciate the goodness and kindness that others share with you. And give some of it back.

Hear Negative Talk



Have heard negative talk about other denominations either from others or profs:
47.11%

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To whom it may concern:

I am an employee of a local Starbucks. I am also a Christian. I am writing this letter in hope to see a change in the attitudes of the young adults that attend Northwest University.

In my time living and working in Kirkland, those attending Northwest University have disheartened me. People in customer service often get the brunt of bad attitudes. These attitudes can be expected from those who do not know Christ, but it is rather appalling from those who do know Christ.

On a daily basis, students wearing Northwest University clothing come to my work and act no differently than the rest of our customers. They are demanding, rude, belittling, and rarely use words like "please" and "thank you."

Many of the students look no different than non-Christians either, with inap-

propriate clothing and inappropriate interactions with each other.

The dying world is watching! Many of you have created a negative image of Christians. I understand that portraying this image is not your intent, but nonetheless, I feel I have to continually defend you. However, I am not willing to continue to make excuses for your actions.

I write to remind you that you are all ambassadors of Christ. You are called to a higher way of living, to show kindness, good judgment, self-control, and the love of God not only with your words but also with your actions. Be set apart from the world, live with convictions, and, most importantly, share the Gospel of Christ. Be reminded daily that as you leave your campus you are entering a mission field full of people who deserve to meet Christ through you.

Thank you,
A local business employee

RELATIONSHIPS

The Wardrobe Journals: undercover report

By One Anonymous Freshman

Someone from *The Talon Journal* asked me if I would like to take an undercover assignment this month. The assignment was to see if people treated me differently by alternating the way I dressed and got ready in the morning.

Thursday

Today, I wore sweatpants and an old t-shirt. I didn't wear any makeup and didn't do my hair. In my speech class, my friend looked me up and down but other than that, treated me the same.

For the first time, a comparatively older woman in the class approached me to talk to me; I mean, she came up to me by herself. She'd never done this before.

I got looked up and down by a boy who didn't say anything till I said something first.

In the caf at breakfast, no one said anything to me except a girl who needed the toaster behind me. Ouch.

In my psychology class, no one talked to me but my roommate and another girl from our floor, and in lunch at the caf later on, I sat by a guy who didn't give me the time of day! It felt like I didn't exist all day.

I changed into something more "normal" for open dorms and had a good time. I can't analyze the change in emotion very well, but I felt prettier, so I may have acted prettier or more confident after I changed. Guys talked to me after that, though.

Friday

I dressed "normally" today- jeans and a clean shirt, did my hair and makeup normally. People I only kind of knew sat next to me in the caf at breakfast and talked to me the whole time.

One of the guys who ignored me on Thursday talked to me today in one of my classes. I didn't feel pretty or unpretty this time, because comparatively this is how I always dress and so I don't have a lot of emotions attached to this style. It's just my every day look.

I do feel a sharp contrast in the way I've been treated today compared to yesterday, though. Both guys and girls seem to find me more approachable today than they did yesterday. It's amazing the brick wall that a pair of sweatpants can build around you socially.

Monday

I happen to know that I looked *good* today: I wore nicer clothes than usual, played up the makeup and hair a bit more than usual, and generally felt beautiful about myself.

The reaction was instantaneous. Everyone needed to comment on how I looked: "Oh my gosh, you look so cute today!" I don't know why this seems to come as such a surprise to everyone, but there it is. People I really didn't know at all approached me today with questions from class or nice comments on what I was wearing. Everyone I came across wanted to know how I was doing and when I answered "good," it seemed to make them so happy.

Guys opened doors for me today, girls chatted with me as though we were old friends, and there seemed to be a general feeling of good will towards me today.

I've tried to be really objective about all of this, but I also know that the way people treat me gets tied up in my emotions. I do know that people have shown me different levels of kindness and attention in the different stages of my undercover metamorphosis. Hmm... Correlation?

Editor's Note: Meghan Young

When our freshman handed me her notes from her undercover stint, I wasn't surprised. I've asked a lot of students from a lot of different social groups, majors, class years and denominations what features they would like to see in *The Talon*, and overwhelmingly I've heard that I "should do something about the cliques on this campus."

I had my own ideas about the way many people on this campus tend to flock toward people who dress like them, but I didn't want to make a snap judgment. I asked this young woman if she wouldn't mind doing a little detective work and having an experiment on how she was treated. She jumped at the chance (because, I imagine, saying you're working undercover for a newspaper is really rad), and this ensuing journal is the end result of that investigation.

In case you haven't noticed the subtle thread that has been woven through *The Talon* this year, I'll point it out for you. In *Peripheral Vision* our columnist is trying

to give you the viewpoint of someone on the fringe of society. Our Student Ministry foci are in place to try to encourage you to get involved and reach out to people. We have begun talking about various Christian denominations so that you will be informed and more open-minded about the beautiful diversity that exists on our little campus, and view it in joy and not in judgment.

And in this issue, we're talking about relationships: relationships of any kind. That's what our campus is made of and in this issue we're trying to take a campus-wide pulse. We've seen some positive and some negative things.

We want to encourage you to look closer at your fellow students. See past the sweatpants and out-of-vogue way of dressing; for those of you who hold yourselves high and mighty over this mandate because you *are* the sweatpants wearers, see past the Clinique perfection and Nordy's credit card bills and on both sides of the equation, see people who love Jesus and who are your sisters and brothers in Christ.

I don't know what it is that creates such an undercurrent of dare I say it- hostility between social groups on this campus, but it's got to stop. We're Christians, need I remind you, and it's time to see past the outer appearances and start looking at the hearts of the people around you. Besides, cliques are *so* high school.

The Count and the Master Plan

What you should know about parking on campus

BY STEVE SANKEY
Contributing Writer

If you've seen "The Count of Monte Cristo" then you'll understand when I say, "...it's complicated."

And that's what I was thinking a couple of weeks ago when I was invited to answer students' questions regarding what the College is doing about 'the parking problem on campus'.

Question: Students feel that there is not enough parking on campus. What is the College doing to create more parking on campus?

Answer: Well, as you might have guessed, it's complicated! But perhaps we can simplify this by posing a few questions in return.

Would it surprise you to know that all of the development on our campus must align with our comprehensive Master Plan?

Did you know that our Master Plan is reviewed and approved by two separate entities - the City of Kirkland and the Houghton Community Council?

Did you know that almost every significant decision, including the location and actual number of parking spaces, is carefully prescribed and regulated by the terms of our Master Plan?

Did you know that our current Master Plan requires that we have 1178 parking spaces on our campus?

Did you know that as of the middle of October, we have 1105 actual parking spaces - not including the loading zones or motorcycle spots - on our campus? (I actually counted them all - twice!)

The number of parking spaces we have on campus, those we will have in the future, as well as the approximate location of those spaces, have all been agreed upon in our current Master Plan. And while the current Master Plan is not perfect, and no doubt will undergo modifications, it does reflect solid thinking, extensive analysis, and strategic planning. Revising the Master Plan is a very significant matter. We cannot simply create more parking whenever we feel like it. (If you really want complicated, ask me some time to tell you about what our neighbors think about more parking on campus!)

At any rate, you may be aware that a Health & Science Center (HSC), a Recreation Center, Student Center, and a Worship Center are in development. With each new project, we anticipate making additions, deletions, and re-locations in parking.

So, what is the College doing about the 'parking problem on campus'?

Hopefully, I've been able to help create an understanding that while simply adding more parking spaces is out of the question, there is a comprehensive plan to gradually add parking up to the limits of the Master Plan. Clearly, these additions won't

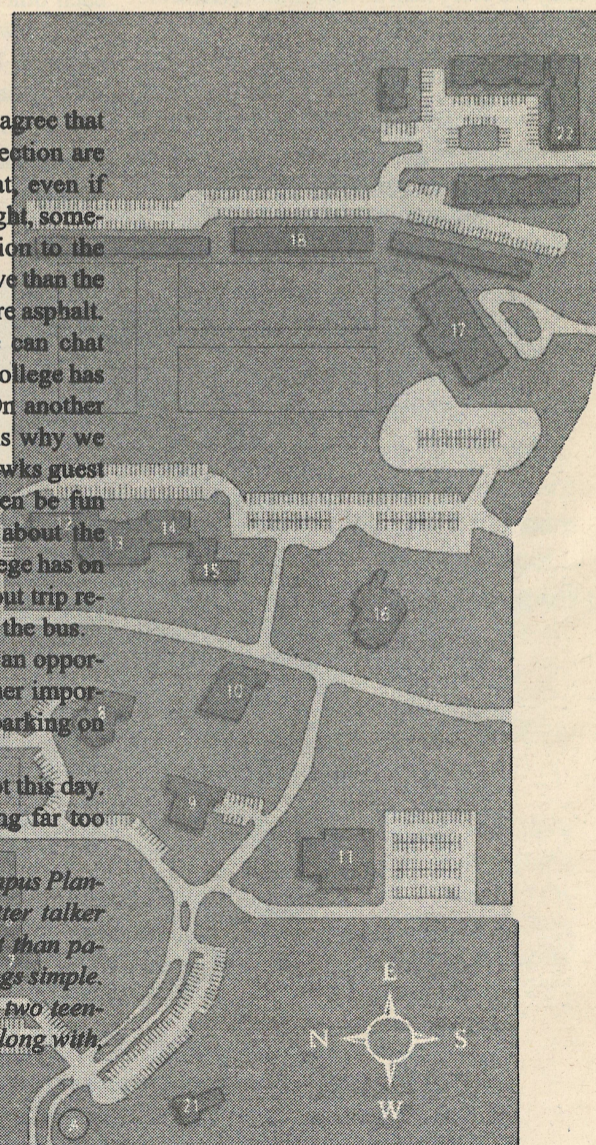
happen over night. But we might agree that even baby steps in the proper direction are not to be discounted. Besides that, even if more parking could appear overnight, someone might contend that the solution to the parking problem is more cooperative than the college simply slapping down more asphalt.

Maybe another time we can chat about the Shuttle service that the college has provided, but is seldom used. On another day, we might explore the reasons why we aren't welcome to share the Seahawks guest parking any longer. It would even be fun some time to have conversation about the Traffic Management Plan the College has on file with the City of Kirkland, about trip reduction, sharing rides, and riding the bus.

Perhaps we'll even have an opportunity some time to explore another important question: Is the shortage of parking on campus real or perceived?

Perhaps some day, but not this day. You could count on that becoming far too complicated!

Steve Sankey is the Director of Campus Planning & Construction. He's a better talker than writer, better at pushing dirt than paper, and really does try to keep things simple. He and his wife of 25 years have two teenage boys who own, and can sing along with, most of the Veggie Tales movies.



Switchfoot Sighting in Seattle

BY LOWELL PERRY
Reporter

If you don't know who Switchfoot is, I pity you. They are one of the biggest bands on the Christian and Pop scenes. Their latest album, "The Beautiful Letdown" is currently #33 on the Billboard Top 200 Album chart.

Their smooth, introspective vocals, catchy guitar melodies and vibrant rhythm make it appealing to a wide spectrum of musical tastes.

The show Monday night, October 11, at the Moore Theatre was sold out. The audience was predominantly under 25, providing a pop culture atmosphere which clashed with the neo-baroque architecture, intricate woodwork, and glass chandeliers of the theater.

Finally, an hour and a half after the show started and several decent and unheard of bands performed, it was time for Switchfoot. The audience was so excited they started cheering for the first guy who came on stage who actually turned out to be a tech monkey.

When Switchfoot came out and the music started, I knew it was going to be worth the wait. I could feel it in the air.

The first song they played was "Ammunition" from their latest album, "The Beautiful Letdown." The whole audience stood up to better see. Many started waving their arms.

They mostly played from "The Beautiful Letdown" and their previous album, "Learning to Breathe". They also performed two new songs and one that had never been recorded.

Fall Play Preview: something for everyone

Pre-Thanksgiving tests getting you down? Got the I've-Seen-Ladder 49-Too-Many-Times-To-Count blues? Ready to be entertained with a little more panache?

Comedy Tonight!: Broadway Songs and 1-Act Plays is just what the doctor ordered. November 17-20, the Drama department will be presenting four fun-filled evenings of Technicolor, uproarious, diverting, enthralling, magnanimous, side-splitting musical comedy for the sheer entertainment of the student and faculty body.

Tickets are a mere \$5 for students and children, \$7 for grown-ups, and can be purchased at the door or through will-call at the cashier's office. Curtain is at 7:30 p.m. each night. Musical stylings include selections from *Guys and Dolls*, *Chicago*, and *South Pacific* to name a few.

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Fall Play Review
If you have any ideas for a book or movie review, please let us know. Email us at: talon@northwestu.edu

"Happy is a Yucky Word" is one of their new songs. Its sound is definitely Switchfoot style, but on the harder side. Before singing it, Foreman spoke about the circumstances in which he wrote the song. He had had a conversation with Johnny Cash in which Johnny had said that for all his money, he was still not happy.

When "Loser" finished, Foreman gave a mini sermon about how America is the richest nation on Earth and should help out poorer countries. Then he informed the audience of a table set up in the foyer where donations to Africa could be given.

After the song ended, Foreman said that the next song was an appropriate song to wave cigarette lighters. "This is my version of a San Diego Calvary song," he said. It speaks on his thoughts and feelings about life when he wrote it on the day before his

twenty-fifth birthday. The title of the song is "24." It was the only song that he played solo.

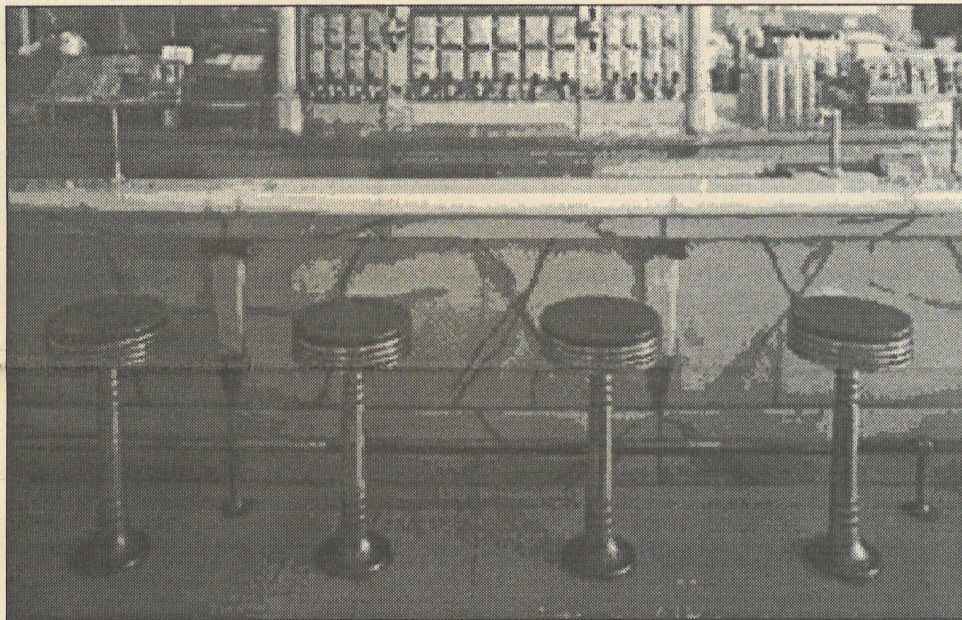
The last song was "We Were Meant to Live." As soon as it started, the entire audience joined in and sang along for the rest of the song. Before the end, the instruments stopped and Foreman led the audience in singing "We were meant to live. We were meant to live."

After Switchfoot left the stage, the audience cheered them into an encore. They came out and played "Dare You to Move."

Switchfoot is an excellent band to see in concert. They are not your average band. They care about things other than money and glory. What they sing is what they truly believe.

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BY STUART FOX
Reporter

If you haven't heard of Every Last One, you need to check them out. Every Last One (ELO) is an indie band originally from Longview, Wash.

ELO vocalist Evan Kirkpatrick says, "We have decided to shake things up in the music industry and go at it as an independent label. We have learned a lot from our time with Saltmine Records and are ready to be on our own."

This last summer they recorded a full length album entitled "*this is it...this is us*" as well as started their own record label, Shake Recordings.

Originally formed in 1999, Every Last One built a considerable local fan base in Seattle and in Portland. Now they are hitting our campus. You can hear their CD being played in the Aerie coffee shop or you can buy your own copy at campus bookstore.

They also have the album for sale at independent music stores from Seattle to Portland as well as Tower Records and Virgin Megastores, completely canvassing the west coast. They are working on getting national coverage, talking with Borders, Fred Meyer, and Best Buy.

They have enjoyed radio play in San Francisco, Fremont, Santa Cruz, Bellingham, Auburn, Claremont and many other cities. Their single has been played on many local stations as well, including 107.7 The End. In Germany, their album has enjoyed regular airtime on several stations. With all this airtime, it is just a matter of time before we all start humming their tunes as we are walking around campus.

The band has already had three west coast tours and is planning on traveling again this summer.

Band members include Joe Taylor (guitar/vocals), Michael Hutton (bass), Evan Kirkpatrick (guitar/vocals), and Spencer Booth (drums/vids).

Some have compared ELO to The Used, Foo Fighters, Weezer, and New Found Glory. The unique flare will hook you up and reel you in!

ELO's sound is a mix of strong guitar work, tight percussions, and punk flare. Two of the best songs on the album are "Gone for good" and "Please don't go". The album has a little something for everyone, from more punchy punk to mellow acoustic guitar to folk.

Go out and invest some money in a good independent punk/rock band. You won't regret it. Every Last One does not disappoint.

arts calendar

THEATRE



Paramount Theatre

Disney presents "The Lion King"
Experience the phenomenon. Seattle's most eagerly awaited stage production ever will leap onto The Paramount Theatre stage this season - it's visually stunning, technically astounding, and with a musical score like none other. Giraffes strut, birds swoop, gazelles leap. The entire savannah comes to life and as the music soars, Pride Rock slowly emerges from the mist. See the Tony Award-winning Broadway sensation that Newsweek calls, "a landmark event in entertainment."

November 30-January 16

For more info:

www.theparamount.com

Taproot Theatre

"A Radioland Christmas"
November 19-December 30

Tickets: \$17-29

Pay What You Can: 11/24

206.781.9707 or

www.ticketmaster.com

BALLET

Pacific Northwest Ballet
"The Four Temperaments"

"Prodigal Son"

"Symphony in C"

PNB continues the 2004 Balanchine Centenary celebration with three extraordinary examples of the master's early ballets—each a work of genius for all time...

November 14-14

"The Nutcracker"
Opens November 26

for more info:

www.pnb.org

CONCERTS

Paramount Theatre

Death Cab for Cutie

November 9

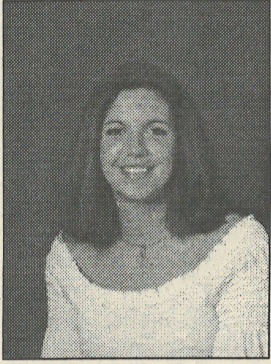
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Tickets: \$20

www.ticketmaster.com

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SOMETHING ABOUT BERTOLINO'S



Bertolino's is a small 24-hour coffee shop in my hometown of Tacoma. The coffee is mediocre, the pastries usually at least a day stale, and the atmosphere always crammed. It's a ten minute drive from my house in Gig Harbor and there are at least three Starbucks between. It's not the most convenient place for me to buy my coffee. But for some reason, every time I go home for the weekend, I find myself waiting in line at Bertolino's. The reason? The service.

The barista (I think his name is John) exudes a genuine kindness that leaves you feeling like the most important person in the world. When he asks how you are, he means it. He ignores the five people behind you to pause for your response. I feel a little self conscious as I order the 12 oz chai soy latte I will probably discard after four or five sips. I am intrigued. I may order a drink, but I came for a warmth that fills far more than my coffee cup. Something about this guy is magnetic. He shines Christ and I am drawn to the light.

I leave Bertolino's asking myself the obvious question: what keeps me from being like that barista, like Christ? I think it over for a minute before arriving at my shameful conclusion: I let life get in the way. I'm too busy to care that much about every single person I meet. I don't have enough time. I'm reminded of two personal experiences that left their mark on me:

When I was a freshman, I needed help with an assignment for Western Civilization class. Not yet knowing anyone, I scoured the dorm floors for a familiar face. After about twenty minutes, I found one. It was the worship leader who usually sat in the row in front of me. I approached her, overcoming my shyness long enough to squeak out my request for help. Her response stung me, "Hmm.... I'm kinda busy - maybe someone else can help you?"

Last year, a particularly unpleasant day left me homesick and longing for a good conversation with someone who really knew me. I remember sitting in one of the overstuffed chairs in the Aerie, praying that God would send me someone to talk to. I was lonely. A few minutes later, one of my old friends walked in. I called her over and asked if she had some time to talk. She smiled at me as she proceeded to pull out her planner and pencil me in for the following Wednesday at 6 pm. She had an extra hour to spare then.

Now I can assure you, I do not carry these stories around with me everywhere I go nor do I share them to elicit sympathy from my readers. Believe it or not, I have managed to recover and maintain a fairly normal life. However, I want these stories to make people think. How often do our agendas get in the way of our relationships? Next to loving God, is there really any responsibility that supersedes loving our neighbors as ourselves?

Maybe I should clarify what I am *not* saying. I am not advocating irresponsibility. I don't think you should make a habit of showing up an hour late for work with the excuse that someone needed your time. What I *am* saying is that it may be time for a serious priority check. I guarantee that your obligation to the homesick girl down the hall trumps your obligation to that term paper you need to write - it will every time, even if it means on less hour of that precious thing we call sleep.

Now believe me, if I preach these words to anyone, I preach them to myself. My days are a whirlwind. I pack my schedule with seventeen credits, basketball practice, church, and a social life. It's hard work and I can name specific people I've left hanging as a result. But if people look at me and see only my schedule, I am doing something wrong. In truth, my accomplishments are pretty empty if they are not used to encourage the people around me.

The barista at Bertolino's has it figured out. He knows that even when ten people are waiting for him to make their coffee, the only one that matters is the one right in front of him. He knows that eventually every single person in that line will end up at the front, and when they receive his gracious service, they realize it was worth the wait. They receive kindness; he gets the joy of serving others....and a generous tip.

Slow down. Don't cram your lives so full of the Lord's work that you leave no room for His people. You'll find that they are really often one and the same.

Dear Gabby: new advice column



Practical and unpractical advice for struggling college students

Dear Gabby,

I have been hanging out with this guy since school started. We met during the first week of classes. We were inseparable at first and then he started making up excuses for not hanging out with me. I am so confused. It is like he only wants to hang out with me when it is convenient for him. I am starting to really like him. I want to tell him, but I am afraid he will get scared away. What do you think? Should I say anything to him?

-Confused Freshman

*Dear Confused Freshman,
Some guys just need to get a clue. Maybe he is into you and maybe he is not. It is hard to tell. Guys mature much later than girls. In this circumstance, if you can hold out for a couple years then maybe give him a try. Otherwise, there are better fish in the sea.*

-Gabby

If you'd like to ask Gabby an question, email her at: deargabby@northwestu.edu

Dear Gabby ~

I can't wait for a break from classes, but I'm not sure if I want to go home for Thanksgiving. I am a freshman and this would be my first holiday not spent with my family. One of the girls on my floor invited me to go home with her to Montana. I've never been to Montana and it sounds like a lot of fun. When I told my mom, she didn't tell me that I had to come home, but she got disappointed. I don't want to hurt my parent's feelings, but I really want to go to Montana for Thanksgiving. What should I do?

-Montana or bust

*Montana or bust-
Montana seems like it would be a lot of fun-probably real cold right now. But Montana will always be there. If your family is most important I would tell you to spend the holidays with them. Make your Mom happy, she probably misses you right now. There is plenty of time to take road trips to Montana.*

-Gabby

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The Talon encourages letters to the editor. However, we reserve the right to not publish anonymous or vulgar submissions.

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Lady Eagles gear up for season start

*New recruits
guaranteed
to be a
might force
this season*

Emilee Eisinger

6'0 Forward
Jackson HS
03-04 McDonald's All American Nominee
3 time All league (Wesco South Div.)
Seattle Times All-Star
Coach's Comments: "We are extremely fortunate to sign Emilee as she was recruited by many bigger schools and is one of the top post players in the area. Emilee is a very athletic and mobile six footer. She has excellent post moves and can score with either hand. What I like most about her though, is her mentality. It's hard to coach mental toughness. Emilee is mentally and physically tough and is very aggressive and confident on the court. She will make an immediate impact in the conference next year. I can't say enough positive things about her."

Sonja Myers

5'9 wing
Enumclaw H.S.
Honorable Mention South Puget Sound League
"Most Dedicated" team award
Coach's Comments: "Sonja has a great passion for the game. She is a very strong player and likes to bang around and be physical. Although she is not very tall, she could hold her own against some of the biggest, tallest players in the league. Her love of playing physical will help us tremendously on the boards. Sonja has the three things I look for most in a player: coachability, work ethic, and attitude. I know she will do whatever is necessary to help our team be successful next season."

Amber Rasmussen

5'10 wing
LaGrande H.S. (Oreg.)
2 time 1st team All Greater Oregon League Team MVP
Coach's Comments: "Amber was one of the last players we signed and was just what we were looking for. She is an amazing all-around athlete who also excels in soccer and track. Amber has excellent basketball court sense and is very quick. Those two qualities will make her a very difficult player to defend in the full court. Her speed and ability to anticipate where the ball will go on the court also helps her on the defensive end as she is an excellent defender. Amber is a great fit for our system and will have no problem fitting in."

Cassie Snyder

5'6 guard
Mead HS
03-04 McDonald's All-American Nominee
Second team Greater Spokane All-League Team MVP and Captain
Coach's Comments: "I will tell anyone that Cassie is the hardest working high school basketball player I've ever seen. She's always in the gym or weight room and just loves the game. Cassie is also one of the smartest players around as she's had to adjust to a new coach and new philosophy every year in high school. Cassie's work ethic, knowledge of the game, and competitive attitude make her a huge asset for any team. We are lucky to have her at Northwest."



Sierra Tornnga kept her eyes on the play in the Eagles' season opener versus Bethany College.

Bre Mulvey

5-8 point guard
Mead HS/Lewis-Clark State College
1st team All-Greater Spokane League
02-03 McDonald's All American Nominee
Coach's Comments: "Bre is the kind of player you hate to play against. She is very confident and tough and can take charge of her team. She loves to push the ball on offense and harass the opposing point guard on defense. I believe she is fearless when she plays and that is the type of leader we need on the court in clutch situations. Her game is solid and her competitiveness will make those around her better."

Rebekah Proctor

5'6 point guard
South Kitsap HS/Highline CC
NWAACC All-Star
1st Team All-region
Coach's Comments: "Rebekah is a great fit for our college and our program. She is a

natural leader who has a gift for bringing out the best in others. When she's on the court she is always pushing herself and working hard. She takes care of the ball, takes smart shots and distributes the ball very well. She is also one of the most coachable athletes I've met which means she will continue to improve."

November 3, 2004

The Lady Eagles had a strong start to the season last week by defeating our sister school, Bethany College, 90-62 last Thursday. The Eagles run and gun offense was back although new players wore the jerseys. Five new starters led Northwest to their first victory of the year. Sierra Tornnga led the Eagles with 30 points and eight rebounds.

Women's volleyball finishes strong

October 6, 2004

After winning 10 matches in a row, Northwest volleyball ran into its first tough weekend of the year losing twice on an Oregon road trip. Southern Oregon stepped up and showed the Eagles what it took to be a three time regional champion and beat the Eagles 3-0. Oregon Tech. took advantage of a sluggish Northwest team on Saturday and upset the Eagles for the 3-0 victory.

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October 25, 2004

Northwest University defeated Oregon Tech (12-9; 9-5) 30-23, 30-25, 30-18 on Friday night at the Pavilion. The Eagles came out strong, determined to avenge a loss earlier in the season to the visiting Owls. Kelly Clarke led the Eagles with 15 kills, ten digs, and five service aces. Lisa Langmade wasn't far behind with 16 kills on the night. Oregon Tech was led by the amazing performance of Megan Albertson, who led her team in kills (7), digs (22), and assists (20).

Saturday night proved to be one of the most exciting in Northwest volleyball history as the Eagles defeated the 10th ranked Southern Oregon University Raiders (17-5; 12-2) in an epic five game match on Saturday night in Kirkland (30-26, 19-30, 10-30, 33-31, 18-16). The final game saw a battle that the Eagles finally won on their fourth match point. Northwest was led by Lisa Langmade's 15 kills, 13 digs, 6 blocks, and 3 aces. Southern Oregon was paced by Kristin Ferris' 21 kills and 16 digs.

November 3, 2004 (record: 17-5; 13-3)

Northwest University defeated Warner Pacific College (30-22, 30-18, 30-22) last Friday night and defeated Cascade College (30-13, 30-15, 30-24) on Saturday night for

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MENSSOCCER

Date	Opponent	Results
9/01	George Fox	W: 2-1
9/04	Whitman	L: 0-1
9/16	Concordia	L: 2-3
9/18	Cascade	W: 7-0
9/23	Warner Pacific	L: 1-2 (OT)
9/25	W. Baptist	L: 1-3
9/28	Evergreen	L: 1-5
9/30	Walla Walla	W: 6-0
10/2	Albertson	L: 2-3
10/7	Cascade	W: 2-0
10/9	Concordia	L: 1-2
10/14	W. Baptist	L: 0-5
10/16	Warner Pacific	L: 0-3
10/19	Evergreen State	L: 2-4
10/22	Albertson	L: 2-4
10/23	Walla Walla	W: 3-0
10/29	Humboldt State	L: 0-1

WOMENSVOLLEYBALL

Date	Opponent	Results
9/03	E. Oregon	W: 3-1
9/04	Albertson	W: 3-0
9/08	Evergreen	W: 3-0
9/11	Walla Walla	W: 3-0
9/17	W. Baptist	W: 3-2
9/18	Concordia	W: 3-2
9/24	Warner Pacific	W: 3-0
9/25	Cascade	W: 3-0
10/1	S. Oregon I	L: 0-3
10/2	Oregon IT	L: 0-3
10/6	Evergreen	W: 3-0
10/14	Walla Walla	W: 3-0
10/15	Albertson	L: 1-3
10/16	E. Oregon U	W: 3-1
10/22	Oregon IT	W: 3-0
10/23	S. Oregon U	W: 3-2
10/29	Warner Pacific	W: 3-0
10/30	Cascade	W: 3-0
11/5	Concordia U	
11/6	W. Baptist	

MENSBASKETBALL

Date	Opponent	Results
11/6	Walla Walla	
11/9	Columbia Bible	
11/15	W. Washington U	
11/19	George Fox	
11/20	Pacific U	
11/23	Whitman College	
11/30	George Fox	

WOMENSBASKETBALL

Date	Opponent	Results
11/5	Westminister	
11/6	Walla Walla	
11/12	Evergreen St. Tourney	
11/13	Evergreen St. Tourney	
11/20	Saint Martin's	
11/23	U of Puget Sound	
11/26	Holy Names Tourney	
11/27	Holy Names Tourney	

their 7th weekend sweep of the season. Emily Marquez led the Eagles with 28 kills and four blocks on the weekend; she was named Cascade Conference and NAIA Region I Player of the Week. Dayna Casseday was named Cascade Conference Libero of the week for her 40 digs and five aces on the weekend. With the Eagles last home games of the year, the home winning streak of 11 games (since 10/31/03) will continue into next year and the Eagles will hit the road for the rest of the season.

For the last weekend of the regular season, Northwest will travel to Oregon for two tough road games against playoff bound teams in Concordia University and Western Baptist College.

