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By Kate Dartnall

Editor in Chief

On March 2, students re-elected Jed Gosnell as Northwest University's ASB president after a close run-off against Kyle Turver.

Only 399 students submitted online ballots for the first election round, according to John Mabbott, Northwest's Instructional Media Technician and director of the online voting.

Students could vote online by logging onto the Eagle web site from Wednesday February 28 at noon until 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 1.

"This is the second year of doing ASB elections online using the Eagle web site and it went much more smoothly than last year," says Mabbott.

Only three students reported having trouble with voting, but according to Mabbott, all issues were resolved in time to submit their ballots.

For the presidential candidates, 24 students voted for Branden Bettger, 91 voted for Cassandra Crawford, 135 voted for Gosnell and 145 voted for Turver.

According to the ASB student manual, between three or more candidates it takes two thirds of the vote to win the election. If no candidate receives two thirds of the vote, a reelection will happen between the top two candidates.

Then, whoever receives the majority of the votes during a run-off, will be the elected.

346 students submitted online ballots for the run-off election between the top two candidates Gosnell and Turver on Friday March 2.

Gosnell received 53 percent of the run-off vote and on Saturday, he was announced as ASB president.

Single candidates for ASB executive positions, Joseph Stengele as Secretary, Jadon Haynes as Treasurer, Danielle Banke as Vice President of Activities and Ryan Lister as Intramural Coordinator were still on the ballot even though they've "won".

In contrast, the remaining ASB executive candidates illustrated another close run.

Only two candidates ran for the offices of Vice president of ministries, Secretary of ministries and Secretary of activities, and in compliance with the ASB student manual, the winners were elected by the majority of the vote.

Students elected Shoshana Weed as Vice president of ministries with 197 votes (only 11 votes beyond Tiffany Felt's 186), Ryan Gregg as Secretary of ministries with 200 votes (only 15 votes over Vanessa Buhler's 175) and Katie Campbell as Secretary of activities with 275 votes (over Inga O'Conner's 110).

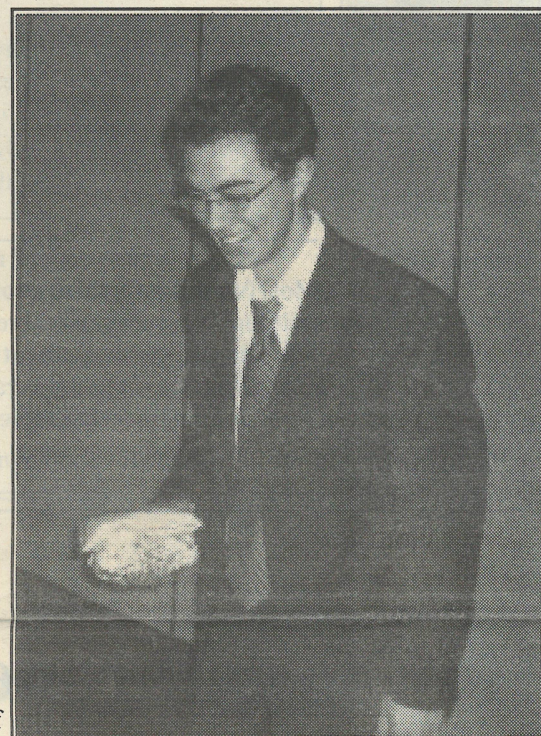


Photo courtesy of Danielle Duncan
Just before lunch on March 3 Jed Gosnell finds out he has been re-elected ASB president

Senior Danielle Duncan, current ASB Secretary helped organize the election results.

"After seeing how many close runs we had, students should realize how important voting actually is," says Duncan.

Seattle celebrates St. Patrick's Day

By Becca Mar

Staff Reporter

St. Patrick's Day conjures up all things Irish from shamrocks and wearing green to luck, leprechauns and pots of gold.

On March 17, city festivities will entertain millions across America. Seattle will host "Irish Week 2007," Chicago will dye its river emerald green and Savannah will become a green city which celebrates in Southern style.

Seattle's "Irish Week 2007," March 17-18, will include a series of Irish events culminating in the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Irish Week Festival. The parade will start at 12:30 p.m., March 17, along Fourth Avenue from Jefferson Street to Seattle Center. The festival will feature Irish musicians, dancers and cultural exhibits from 12-6 p.m., March 17, in Seattle Center's "Center Room."

Seattle will receive a visit from Galway, Ireland's deputy mayor Pádraig Conneely. Galway, located on Ireland's west coast, has been Seattle's sister city since 1986.

St. Patrick's Day dates back to 1607, when an Irish legal calendar first documented it among lesser renowned saints'

holidays, according to *The Wearing of The Green: A History of St. Patrick's Day* by scholars Mike Cronin and Daryl Adair.

The Irish have observed St. Patrick's Day as a religious holiday on March 17 for centuries because it marks the supposed anniversary of St. Patrick's death, arguably 461 or 491 A.D.

Irish upperclassmen once attended grand balls and banquets in Dublin Castle while cathedral bells rang from one end of the Emerald Isle to the other. Dublin's St. Patrick's Festival became tradition in the mid-1990s.

Beyond the United Kingdom, the holiday is primarily recognized in America, Canada and Australia.

34.5 million U.S. residents have Irish roots and an estimated 26,000 speak Gaelic, according to a 2006 report by the U.S. Census Bureau. Due to nationwide Irish ancestry and the holiday's popularity, March is officially "Irish-American Heritage Month."

Irish immigrants from Ulster introduced the holiday to colonial America and in 1737, organized the first St. Patrick's Day event in Boston. The first official St. Patrick's Day parade happened in 1762,

when Irish soldiers from the British colonial army marched in New York City. Today, New York City's parade is the largest in America.

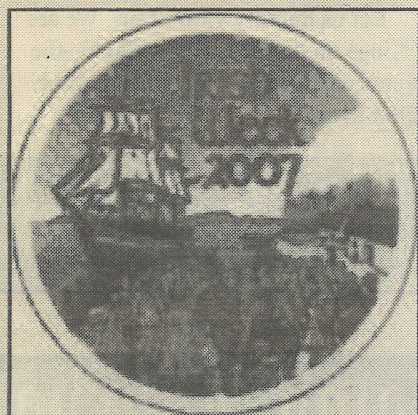
The history of St. Patrick, who wasn't Irish, dates back to the fifth century A.D. St. Patrick brought the Gospel to Ireland, where he baptized new Christians, ordained clergy and founded churches.

Legend claims that St. Patrick, Ireland's patron saint, purged the country of snakes and likened the shamrock to the Holy Trinity at the Rock of Cashel, the southern stronghold of Celtic kings.

"The love of Christ carried me here," wrote St. Patrick. "I spread God's name everywhere dutifully and without fear so that after my death I may leave a legacy to so many thousands of people."

St. Patrick imparted a spiritual legacy to the Irish. Ireland has contributed a rich ancestral and cultural heritage to America and the world. As a tribute to both an ancient saint and an ancient nation, St. Patrick's Day encompasses much more than shamrocks, leprechauns and wearing green.

For more information about Seattle's "Irish Week 2007," visit www.irishclub.org.



Seattle's Irish Week 2007
March 17-18

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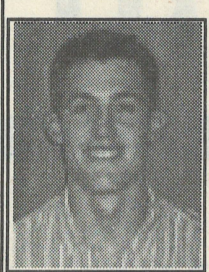
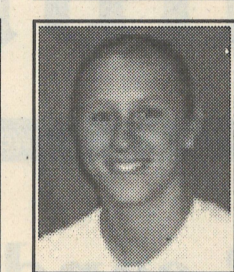

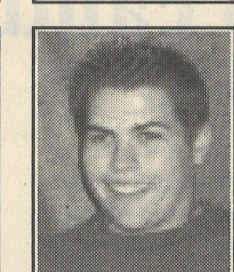

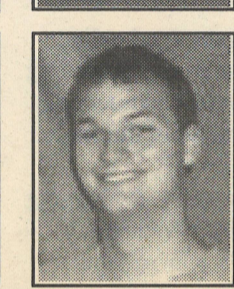
In downtown Kirkland

Wilde Rover Irish Pub and Restaurant at 111 Central Way will serve a special St. Patrick's Day brunch while featuring live music. \$10

Visit www.irishclub.org and www.wilderover.com for more information.

Meet the elected 2007-2008 ASB executives

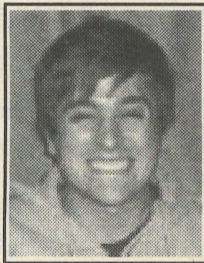
Compiled by Kate Dartnall, Editor in Chief

	<p>ASB president: Jed Gosnell What do you like most about the Seattle area? "All the parks, the innumerable restaurants." Biggest vice? "Hypoglycemia and thinking that I can do things by myself." Biggest challenge as President? "Communication" What will be different next year? "I'm passionate about having more positive community life."</p>		<p>Vice president of activities: Danielle Banke A highlight of your previous year on ASB? "The many times Josiah almost killed himself doing his Judo moves off a tree or cliff, then watching Ryan try to stop him." Opinion on NU Evening? "It gives the students a 'NU' experience off campus." Favorite professor? John Bacon Beverage of choice? "Iced Americano with vanilla"</p>
	<p>Secretary: Joseph Stengele What's the most Northwest-y thing about you? I switched from a business major to a ministry major. Major: Biblical Literature, minor in Business Administration Favorite word: "fruition": which means attainment of anything desired; realization; accomplishment. Favorite professor: "Prof. Ron Herms"</p>		<p>Secretary of activities: Katie Campbell Most Northwest-y thing about you? "The usual, just waiting for my husband." What do you like most about the Seattle area? Diversity Major: Physical education Why did you run for this position? "I feel God is pushing me to a higher standard! I love to interact with students on this campus. I want to unify the NU campus."</p>
	<p>Vice president of ministries: Shoshana Weed Major: Psychology What music would we catch you listening to while doing VP Ministries-like-tasks? "Waterdeep, Ray LaMontagne, KT Tunstall and possibly some high-quality Beethoven or Rachmoninoff" What will be different about Ministries? "I would like to see more people involved; to feel like they are a part of campus ministries."</p>		<p>Treasurer: Jadon Haynes Most northwest-y thing about you? "I always go to chapel and I like the rain." Favorite professor: "They all hold a special place in my heart, but probably Ron Herms." Favorite word: "LIVESTRONG" Any finance tips for students? "Don't buy coffee and don't get a girl/boy friend."</p>
	<p>Secretary of ministries: Ryan Gregg Most Northwest-y thing about you? "I'm not engaged, don't have a girlfriend, so probably that I really like coffee." What do you like most about the Seattle area? "The ferries. I've only ridden once, but it was rad." What will be different this year? "Students simply smother the city of Kirkland with love/community service for an NU serve day."</p>		<p>Intramural coordinator: Ryan Lister A highlight of your previous year on ASB? "Having the key to the Seahawks practice field and the floor retreat" Best excuse to participate in intramurals? "You can get some exercise and have fun with friends" What will be different this year? "Different sports and I'm going to try to get the women of this campus more involved in intramurals." Biggest supporter: "my beautiful girlfriend Brenda Tesdal"</p>

Opinion

How to dethrone God: man's adoption of divinity

By Tristan McCoy
Student submission



There is a great danger that plagues the Church today that is particular to the charismatic movement. Christians are enthroning themselves and adopting divinity.

American society teaches that we can have whatever we want, when we want it, however we want it. The Church seizes this mentality and teaches, "God wants individuals to have lots of money, good health, and many friends."

Man adopts divinity and tells God to serve him, thus dethroning God.

Of course God can't really be dethroned. Though it is impossible, why is it still tried?

Simply, we are selfish. Charismatics have taken this selfishness to the extreme.

One particular movement declares that because we are made in the image of God we are "little gods" with the same power and abilities as God Himself. If that's not selfish and self-worshipping, I don't know what is.

The charismatic church errs in thinking God is a being who is here only to serve the mediocre needs of His people, undercutting Biblical truth and missing the point of Christianity.

The Bible constantly tells us to concern ourselves more with others than ourselves in thinking and service (Rom. 12:3; 1 Cor. 14:26). By focusing on how God can aid the individual in gaining power, money, and prosperity, the group is left out and overlooked.

This perspective is myopic and unbiblical. Paul tells the Christian to do

nothing out of selfish intent, think lowly of himself, look to others interests, and have the same mind as Jesus (Phil. 2:3-5).

Jesus was homeless, hated, and killed. If we ought have the same mind of Jesus, we would do well to remember this.

Too often it is preached that God wants Christians to be successful. Unfortunately, the measure of success given is the size of houses, circles of friends and paychecks. God does want Christians to be successful, but He wants them to be successful over sin (Heb. 12:1) and in telling others about Jesus, (Matt. 28:19,20) the only one who brings salvation from sins (Matt. 1:21).

In view of God's redemptive plan for humanity, our needs seem to be very mediocre and secondary. Everyday people die and everyday people go to Hell. This is a much bigger problem than our health needs.

It is taught, however, that God wants

Christians to have good health and if the individual is unhealthy, the cure to illness is faith in naming and claiming good health, as if God were some sort of magic potion. God can't fit into any vial; so instead of focusing on our personal problems we should focus on the heart of God, which is, the souls of the lost and His glory.

We are quick to try and dethrone God by merely adhering to Him only when we are inconvenienced. When we teach and believe the health, wealth and prosperity gospel, essentially we are saying, "God only is here to serve me and meet my wants and needs." We think we have divine rights. The thought is God should heal me and make me rich.

This is never the case in the Bible. People in the Bible are God's humble servants, (Gen. 22:1; Ex. 3:4; 1 Sam. 3:4-10; Neh. 9:36; Isaiah 6:8; Jer. 26:14; Acts 9:10) not merely consumers of God's good gifts.

Gain we any favor or blessings from

God it is merely due to His goodness, not because we deserve anything. We should not ask how God could be of service to us in light of our wants and needs, but rather ask how we can serve God.

When theology is based on God serving us, we miss the point. God does care about Christians, but He does not care whether their paychecks, friendship circles, or houses are large or small. God is more concerned with righteousness, which only comes through the sacrificial death of Jesus on the cross (1 Peter 2:24).

Let us humbly view Jesus. We are not Kings on thrones, rather, God is the supreme creator and ruler that we were created to serve.

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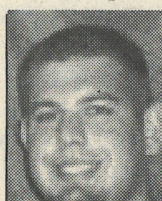
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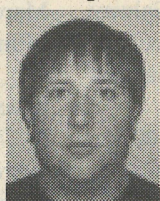
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Northwest eagles soar high with coach John Van Dyke

By Ryan Monahan

Staff Reporter

In an effort to uphold the honor of God, his family and team, John Van Dyke, 40, basketball coach here at Northwest University, demonstrates integrity both on and off the court by saying what he means and meaning what he says.

Van Dyke claims that a basketball team is about serving each other and serving begins with the coach.

Recently, Van Dyke took the team to the NAIA Division II Men's Basketball National Championships in Missouri. As of press time, the Eagles had earned a place in the 2007 Final Four championship after defeating Cornerstone (Michigan) 98-69 in the Elite Eight round of the Championship.

Before he left, Van Dyke celebrated the 100th win of his career at Northwest on Feb. 3 against Concordia. The score was Eagles 88, Concordia 83.

He has been with the Northwest basketball team for seven years and his record of wins to losses has improved with each year.

Van Dyke studied to be a teacher at Seattle Pacific University while also playing for its basketball team. His first experience in coaching came at Seattle Christian School where he served as the men's J.V. coach.

Before coming to NU, Van Dyke coached golf and girls varsity volleyball, also at Seattle Christian.

Van Dyke recalls his competitive coaching style during the first years at Northwest and remembers how his expectations were unfair to the players.

Even though he still claims to be a perfectionist on the court, Van Dyke now understands the value of grace and wants his players to know that above all else, he

loves them like his sons.

"I try to coach as a benevolent dictator with a servant's heart."

Even though Van Dyke wore sweats during our interview, talking to him was like watching him coach in his suit. His presence and punctuality command the respect of a dictator, while his words demonstrate his servant's heart.

"The best thing about being a coach," Van Dyke explains, "is being around great young men and having the opportunity to influence their lives."

According to Van Dyke, the senior leadership on the team made his job easier. He's proud of the whole team for the dedicated preparation, of the graduation rate of his senior players and the retention of his other players.

However, the reality of being a coach causes Van Dyke to spend less time with his family.

Off the court, Van Dyke is husband to his wife Amy of 10 years and the father of Alysanne, 10 and Jack, 8.

"My biggest dream is to continue being happily married while raising two kids who love God," he says.

According to Van Dyke, he plans to coach here for another 15 to 20 years. In that time, he hopes first to finish this season with his team playing the best basketball they are capable of playing.

A long-term goal of Van Dyke's, to win a national championship at Northwest, seems even more obtainable now that they've made it to the Final Four Championship.

"I have seen my players put in the necessary work to prepare for this season and because we prepared well, we are content with any outcome because we'll know we did our best."

"a benevolent dictator with a servant's heart"

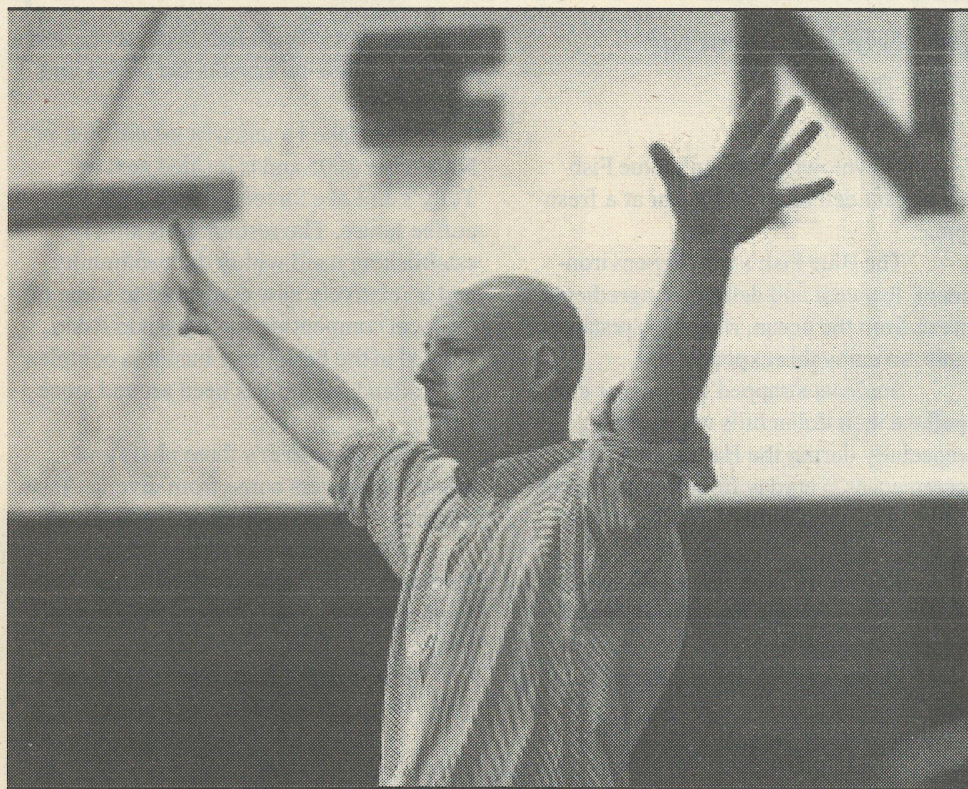


Photo courtesy of Merlin Quiggle
Coach John Van Dyke pictured here at the last home game for men's basketball.

Men's basketball update

From the Keeter Gymnasium in Branson, Missouri:

Defeated Holy Names University on Mar. 6 (86-74)

Defeated Bellevue of Nebraska on Mar. 9 (61-56)

Defeated Cornerstone University on Mar. 10 (98-69)

Gaming trend affects campus life at Northwest

By Daren Fickel

Staff Reporter

A Northwest student runs out of the classroom and down the hill towards the dormitories. Huffing and puffing, he climbs the stairs and rushes inside his room. His friends are waiting. They toss him a controller as he throws his backpack full of homework into the corner. It's begun.

They play for hours. Their yelling can be heard below, above and down the hall. They are video "Gamers".

Video games, such as Halo, Madden '07, and World of Warcraft, are a growing trend for students here at Northwest University. Game systems like Xbox, Playstation, and Nintendo can be found in almost every dorm room or apartment.

According to the Internet & American Project (IAP), 70 percent of college students reported playing video, computer or online games at least "once in a while". 65 percent of college students reported being regular or occasional game players.

Video games are more than just a hobby for Northwest students.

"Halo's not a video game, it's a way of life," said Shane McCroskey, a 22-year old Youth Ministry major.

McCroskey plays at least eight hours of video games a week, on average.

Students include gaming in their day by taking time between classes to play, while visiting with friends or instant

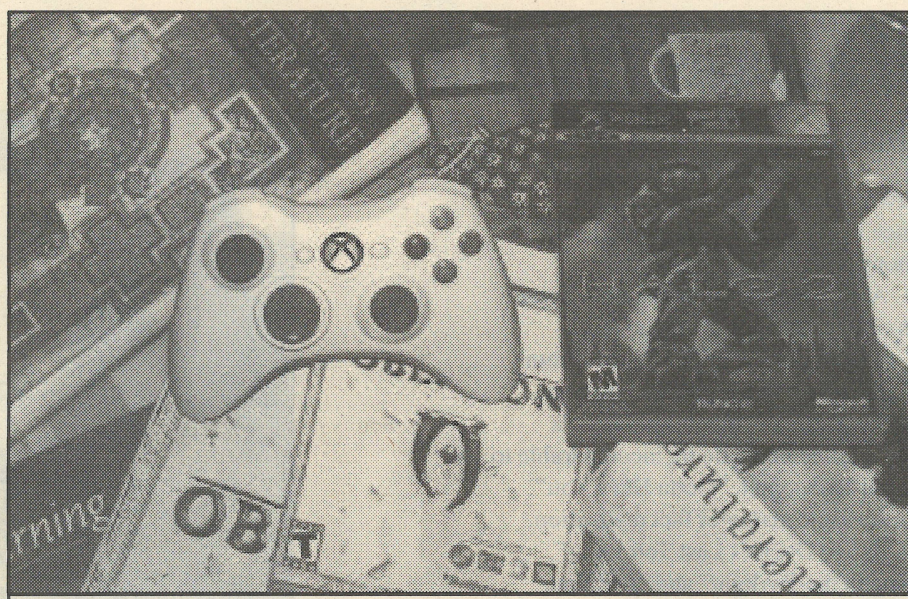


Photo by Daren Fickel
A Xbox game controller and Halo 2 often take precedence over studying.

messaging, or play as a brief distraction from writing papers or doing other work.

David Marvin, a 19-year old Youth Ministry major at Northwest University shares that he has put off homework in order to play the game Madden '07.

Madden '07 is an interactive football game with teams based on real life National Football League teams. Gamers get to choose their team and the play to perform on the field.

According to the IAP, close to half of college student gamers noted that gaming keeps them from studying *some* or *a lot*.

In addition, about one in ten said that their main motivation for playing games was to avoid studying.

Northwest gamers take themselves and the games very seriously.

Shawn Gray, a 21-year old Elementary Education major often buys guides and maps in order to receive the full effect of one of his favorite games, Oblivion.

These guides and maps help Gray to learn the *game worlds* by showing him how to defeat characters and move about and within the game. They also show how to build a particular character's strengths and

abilities.

While some students study game guides instead of studying for class, gaming is no where near an end.

The Microsoft Xbox uses a data cable that plugs into the Northwest internet connection and thus, games systems can *link* to each other. This allows students on the same internet connection to play each other without needing to be on the same TV.

One out of every five gaming students stated that gaming helped them make new friends as well as improve existing friendships, according to the IAP.

On the other hand, video games also appear to play a surrogate role for some gamers when friends are not available. Nearly two-thirds of students surveyed said that playing video games helped them have fun when friends were not around.

One must ask, will games like Halo, Madden '07 and Warcraft create multiple small groups at Northwest? Will this hobby create dorm rules? Will gaming cause health issues?

Whatever the repercussions of gaming turn out to be, Northwest gamers are only intimidated by each other.

Marvin announces to anyone who would like to play against him in Madden '07, "I will destroy you while I talk trash until you cry. If you don't believe me, ask Todd Phillipy."

Restaurant review: *Blue Fish* rolls just right for sushi

By Rebekah Proctor
Staff Reporter

Downtown Kirkland's Blue Fish restaurant delivers fresh sushi at a fresh price.

The Blue Fish's inviting environment, low cost and delicious ingredients fresh from the ocean, make this restaurant quite an enjoyable experience.

Students strapped for money can pull out their dollar bills with a smile, especially during the Happy Hour that commences everyday from 5-6p.m. which offers a selection of tasty rolls and appetizers, each only \$2.99.

Numerous experiences at the Blue Fish have delighted my taste buds and pleased my senses.

Upon entering the restaurant, the chefs as well as the servers greet customers. A kind waitress shows me to one of the clean mahogany tables or booths throughout the room illuminated with pools of warm light from the Asian style chandeliers. The servers are friendly and swift, bringing out rolls, pan fried gyoza and other foods that burst with flavor.

Young Park, the owner of the Blue Fish, said the key to mouthwatering sushi is, "Fresh fish and fresh ingredients - rice, vegetables, everything."

The lunch menu ranges in price from \$5 to \$11 while the dinner menu varies by appetizers, sushi, rolls and entrees ranging from four dollars to \$21.

Formerly the Sake House, the Blue Fish changed names and owners in October 2006 but continued the happy hour tradition.

Park said that not only did he want to change the name of the restaurant, but the previous owners desired a name change as well.

So he came up with the Blue Fish, a title that denotes all the main elements of

his restaurant: "Well, fish because we serve sushi, and blue represents the ocean and freshness."

The Sake House was established in November 2005 and is located next to Tully's on Lake Street across from Kahili coffee house. The restaurant is slowly establishing itself within the community and is relatively new compared to some of the local competition such as Rikki Rikki, located in the Park Place business complex in Kirkland, which has been around since 1991.

The Blue Fish's three chefs and numerous servers come from diverse Asian cultures such as Japan, Korea and China.

After he moved to America from Korea, Park started to work with his brother-in-law who owned a sushi restaurant.

Chef Daniel Park, worked at a sushi restaurant in Oregon before moving to the Blue Fish and enjoys his job as a chef of four years.

"Our most popular fish that we sell are salmon, albacore tuna, shrimp, tuna and yellow gill," he said.

His favorite food: a hand roll of his own making stuffed with rice, shrimp eggs, avocado, shrimp, crab legs and fried shrimp, compiled all in about a minute and a half.

He later said, "I'm at a medium speed, they tell me that in five years I will be fast."

The Blue Fish serves 31 different kinds of rolls.

A favorite of mine is the Monster roll made with kani kama, spicy tuna, shrimp tempura, avocado, and masago wrapped in seaweed and deep fried. Some other rolls are the Kirkland made with salmon, shrimp, cucumber, avocado, sprouts with flying fish roe and cream cheese, and the White Tiger made with crab mix, cucumber, topped with tiger prawns and drizzled with miso dressing.

The most popular roll at the Blue Fish, the lobster roll, is also the only one around Kirkland.

They also serve various types of udon, a clear soup with wheat noodles and assorted ingredients that sets each udon apart, such as curry, beef, tempura prawns and nabeyaki.

A typical dinner at the Blue Fish costs between \$11 and \$21 and is served with miso soup and depending on the dish, rice and salad too. The sushi ranges in price from \$3 to \$11 and the appetizers from \$4 to \$10.

Peter Lewis, graduate of Northwest University and senior Michelle Miller, regular customers of the Blue Fish, describe the restaurant as "sophisticated yet unpretentious, a no hassle place with attentive service and exotic and conventional culinary items. It's a great alternative to Red Robin or Applebee's and perfect for a group of friends or a cheap date."

Happy Hour Menu

\$2.99

Everyday 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Appetizers

Chicken Kara-age

Japanese style deep fried chicken served with an Asian BBQ sauce

Yakitori

Grilled chicken on a bamboo skewer

Agedashi Tofu

Deep fried tofu topped with bonito flakes and served in special sauce

Gyoza

Vegetables and pork wrapped in wonton, pan fried

Seaweed Salad

Cucumber, wakame, octopus served with soy vinaigrette dressing

* excerpt from the Happy Hour menu

The Blue Fish is open:

11:30a.m.-2:30p.m. and 5p.m.-10p.m.

Monday-Friday

12p.m.-3p.m. and 5p.m.-10p.m.

Saturdays

5p.m.-9p.m.

Sundays

"sophisticated yet unpretentious"

Music review: *the Weepies* "Say I am You"

By Kate Dartnall and Ryan Monahan

Everyone likes a story. Music can be a story. The Weepies create a sound story that somehow mimics the rain-coffee-tech-green loving folk of Seattle.

It's folk, but it's pop. It's folk-pop with gently plucked guitars and harmonious vocals.

When Deb Talon and Steve Tannen met in a Boston club, they immediately began writing together and soon formed the Weepies. They released their first album, "Happiness" in 2005.

Their late 2006 album release, "Say I am You" illustrates the success of the Talon and Tannen merger.

The album's 13 folk-pop songs about love, love and love is surprisingly fresh. The lyrics don't slum into the up-chuck pop-dramatic love songs we too often hear. Instead, they're uplifting, simple and well, happy.

Talon's voice is reminiscent of the girl folk/rock stars from the late '90's (Leigh Bingham Nash of Sixpence None the Richer), yet charmed with a paisley-print innocence. This is fitting for much of the simple wit and wordplays on the album.

Tannen's voice, on the other hand, is much like that of David Gray's sound. His

somewhat pessimistic tone brings a balance to the cheerful album and his harmony with Talon is fantastic.

Also, Talon and Tannen collaborate ideas of love through a unique lens.

The album's opener, "Take it From Me" addresses accepting love without "sting" is difficult. Tannen provides a lullaby of metaphors being incomparable to her significant other. "Gotta Have You" plays the same matter of fact realization.

"Love Doesn't Last Too Long", "Living in the Twilight" and "Not Your Year" peek into Tannen's pessimism and highlights the realism of one life affected another's.

Perhaps the most sing song guitar melody on the album, "Painting by Chagall" is another scope of dreamers versus the world. Yet, one can't help but appreciate Talon's repetitive line "Sometimes rain that's needed falls. We float like two lovers in a painting by Chagall".

According to Talon staff reporter, Ryan Monahan, "the Weepies have a definite folk ease to their music, creating a sort of calm, relaxing mood without inducing sleep."

"Though their songs are mostly quiet and easy, the lyrics are intense, simplistic,

and poetic," he added.

Monahan also discussed the Weepies' sound with another Northwest student and friend, Tyler Marshal.

"Smooth, rich indie pop with an underlying tone of American folk. Perfect

Concert Calender

3/22 Eric Clapton
Key Arena @ 7:30 p.m.
\$65-85

3/23 Blue Scholars
Northshore Performing Arts
Center @ 8 p.m.
\$15 for students

3/24 Fair
The Vera Project @ 7:30
\$7

3/25 Mat Kearney
The Showbox @ 7 p.m.
\$20

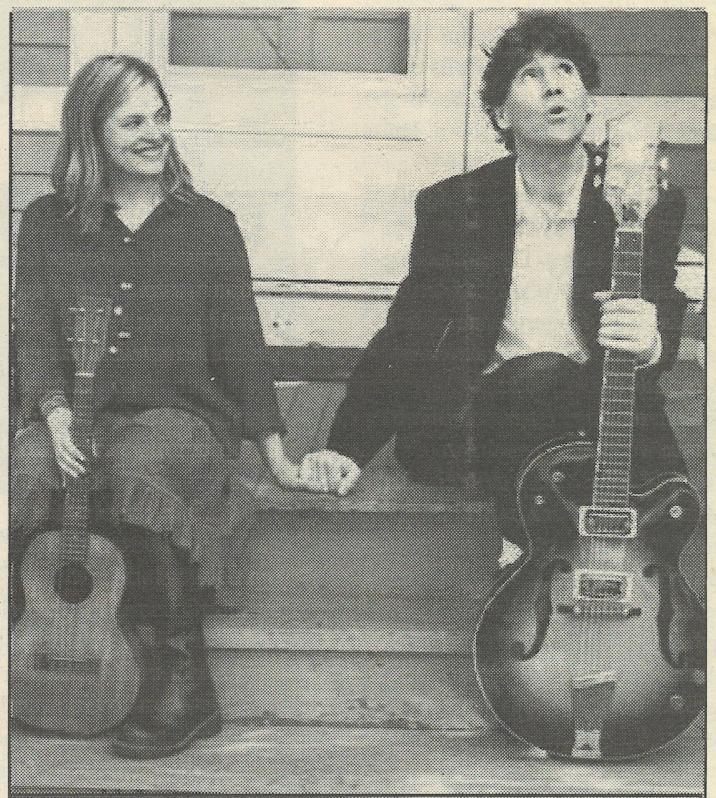
3/27 Page France
with the Headlights
Crocodile Cafe @ 9 p.m.
\$8

3/28 India Arie
Moore Theater @ 8 p.m.
\$28-38

3/29 Brand New
The Fenix @ TBA
\$19 advance/\$22 at the door

4/01 Soweto Gospel Choir
The Paramount Theater @ 3
p.m.
\$27.50-37.50

4/16 Reliant K
The Showbox @ 7 p.m.
\$17 advance/\$20 at the door



Deb Talon and Steve Tannen of the Weepies

over a cup of coffee in Seattle rain showers," says Marshal.

The Weepies are fresh, innocent and cheerful. What a good story for music lovers.