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## More on campus students cause crowding

By James Thompson Crusader Staff Reporter

NNC enrollment is slightly up this year, according to the Admissions Office. The latest figures indicate that 1100 full-time students are enrolled this term, up from last year's 1088. NNC's total enrollment this fall is 1170.

Vice President of Institutional Advancement Rich Hagood attributes the increased enrollment to several factors.

"NNC is becoming more recognized for quality education, both in this region and throughout the country," he said. Hagood estimates that this can be seen in the increase of transfer students. Hagood also commented that students seem more satisfied with the college. Percentages of student retention seem to support this by increasing from 30% in 1985 to 47% in

Not only is the total enrollment up this year, but a higher percentage of students are living on campus this year, according to campus housing director Eric Ely, making dorms more crowded and food service lines longer.

In order to handle more students in the dining hall, Marriott Assistant Manager Justin Hart said that the food service is "making some changes in order to increase efficiency." These changes may include extending hours on Sunday, a day notorious for long lines.

The enrollment increase means little for ASNNC's tight budget. Although over \$42,500 was requested by clubs and executive officers for this term, only about \$30,000 was available. The ASNNC general fund collects thirty dollars per student per term.

ASNNC Business Manager Roger Kadey said that although increased enrollment would normally provide more money for campus organizations and clubs, "student government will actually have about \$5000 less this fall than it did last fall because of less carry over from the previous year."

Sophomore senator Kevin Six commented that despite the increase in enrollment, ASNNC will probably continue to operate on the edge of its resources.

"Costs are inflating, new clubs are being formed and requesting more money, but student fees have remained the same," Six said. "The senate is cutting costs as much as possible, but it's starting to hurt. Social events are few and far between and it's becoming real tough for clubs to receive funding."

This Wednesday, the senate will be voting on a bill sponosored by junior senator David Bomar to increase student fees to \$35.00.

NNC's general budget

certainly appreciates the enrollment jump.

Financial Vice President Hal Weber said, "[The money] will go to a variety of areas, but one of the most important will be an increase in compensation for the teachers and staff. This increase will not necessarily be in wages but in increased benefits like more comprehensive health insurance coverage."

"Another important area of spending will be an increase in the size of the church matching fund available to students," Weber added.

# American hostage to be released

Pro-Iranian Lebanese kidnappers said, through a typewritten statement on Monday, they would release an American hostage within 24 hours. The typewritten statement was accompanied by a polaroid photograph of American hostage Jesse Turner, 1 of 2 Americans held by the Islamic Jihad for the Liberation of Palestine (IJLP).

The IJLP said it decided to free a hostage after the United Nations announced that Israel would free a group of Arab prisoners. The group said the release would be "in compliance with the pledge and (as an expression) of readiness to continue the comprehensive agreement, which is in process, to release

all the detainees and hostages."

The release of Arab prisoners held by Israel is a demand of the kidnappers holding Western hostages in Lebanon.

Over the past few days, UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar has made intense efforts to solve the hostage problem. The UN is attempting to arrange a series of swaps of up to 9 Western hostages in Lebanon with 350 Arabs held by Israel.

Uri Lubrani, Israel's top hostage negotiator, said Sunday he hoped all hostages in Lebanon would be freed by Christmas.

-- Crusader News Services



### Prevue brings in prospects

By Robyn Ellis Crusader Staff Reporter

Once again, Prevue Days has come and gone. Although many students complain, we recognize the importance of this weekend for NNC.

Hundreds of high school students filled the campus to attend classes, eat in the dining hall, and enjoy Al Denson in concert. It appears that NNC once again made a good impression.

"Everyone was really friendly and made me feel at home," said Jennifer Burns, a high school senior who plans on attending NNC next fall.

Mandy Meeks, from Longview, Washington, commented, "I like how all the professors started class with a devotional."

Perhaps the weekend's

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Students arrived this fall to find a new Jack in the Box on the side of the Red (Dead) Steer. Finally, real fast food! (Photo by Brad Nelson)



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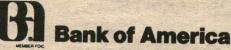
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Who is this Maslow man and what do his so-called "needs" have to do with me?

I need to come up with a car by the weekend

Put that in your hierarchy. I just have to win that convertible. That's all. I've never won

like the fact that it got me to open a checking account.

a the last free checks, if

Dad will want to know if I get free checks, if

I have a **VISA** card, if I have ATM access, and if

before.

Except for the
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scouts. It's a
brand-spankin'
new GEO METRO—

ReD,
topless,
fast

believe it's rightfully mine.

There's got to be

to tilt the odds.

I'd date Maslow if

I thought it would

"Now class, who can summarize Maslow's hierarchy of needs? Anyone?"

the account
stays open
during the
summer. I'll
respond with
a resounding
"yes."

Mom, on the other hand, will want to know what's on my checks—

vistas or scenes from the

Donner
Party?

help. Course, I'd dump him after dinner. I'm obsessing now. Think about something else.

Personalized license plates would be nice. Although

studlicious is probably taken.

I wonder if Mom and Dad will

like me better with a Geo Metro? They'll certainly

I'll tell her that's personal. Let's just pray this whole Open-a-Student-checking-account-and-enter-to-win-a-Geo\*

thing actually gets me the car.

I'm obsessing again. If I win, I win. If I lose, I just become more dysfunctional.

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#### THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



Evening on a beached whale

#### Calvin and Hobbes

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HERE COMES SUSIE

HI, SUSIE.
HI, CALVIN.





by Bill Watterson









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## Prevue Days ain't what they used to be

Although Prevue Days brings hundreds of potential students to the NNC campus, it seems that the event defeats its purpose. Although Prevue Days is supposed to give visitors a feel for NNC's true character, the campus atmosphere can hardly be true to reality with several hundred high schoolers invading the campus.

Only during Prevue Days does the NNC campus celebrate bonfires, good concerts, and victorious soccer games. And how can visitors find out what NNC is really like when many Prevue Days events exclude NNC students? NNC students were not invited to Thursday night's bonfire/pizza party nor Friday night's ice cream social.

Prevue Days planners were on their toes, however, when they decided to have their own chapel service on Friday. The tedious Education Convocation, although it would have truthfully represented an NNC chapel service, would have scared away scores of prospective students.

## Chapel or crapple?

"Wow!" my friend exclaimed. "It must be awesome to get together with 1000 other college students and worship God!!"

"Uh well . . ."

"So what's it like -- you know, chapel?" he asked.

"Well... we stand up and sing something from a hymnal, and then we sit down. Someone gets up and reads a seemingly random Bible verse, and then we stand up and sing a praise song (ONCE!), and sit down again. Pretty soon someone gives a message, and then we stand up and pray."

"Oh," he said.
"What do you mean 'Oh'?"
I asked.

He said, "Well, your services just seem a little

Twain's World

By M. Twain Crusader Staff Columnist

ritualistic to appeal to most college-aged kids."

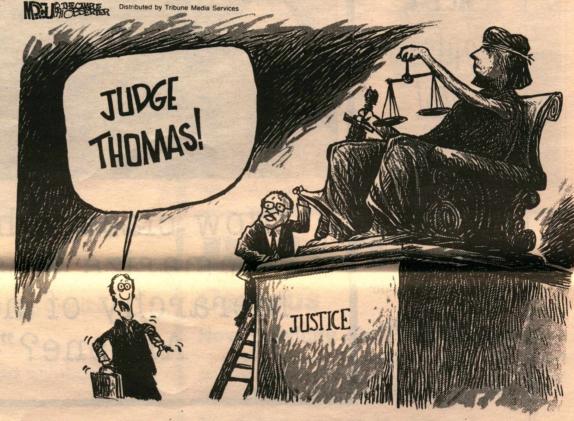
"Are you implying that, just because college-agers make up 95% of the chapel population, the people in charge should try to make the services more appropriate for that age level? Are you crazy?!"

In the midst of the conversation I felt a voice calling out from the wilderness of my soul, a voice of one who wanted an exciting chapel time. Even though I took personal advantage of chapel

for naps, study time, or really subdued party time with friends, I think I might enjoy a chapel service structured so that the Spirit of God could actually be present with me.

But "everyone knows that the real purpose of chapel is to punish us for our sins," I told my friend. "If chapel was enjoyable, it would take away the whole point! Besides, the ritual is comforting to us poor youngsters. We need the structure. After all, if we didn't have it we might go crazy and accidently shout AMEN or sing a praise song twice!"

(Express what you like and don't like about chapel on your chapel attendance card!)



#### Letters

## NNC can't serve two masters

Dear Editor:

In the September issue of the Crusader there were two articles that caught my attention. The first was titled, "Of all the places in the world you could be, why are you here?" and the second "U.S. News ranks NNC among top 10."

The first article quoted the phrase "the development of Christian character within the philosophy and framework of genuine scholarship" and

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labeled it as the aim of this institution. I believe in this philosophy and all it entails. Let us, therefore, practice what we preach.

The second article made me hesitant to believe that NNC is really geared toward that aim. It also made me wonder about an even higher truth and whether it is evident in our goals--that being God Himself.

Why does NNC have to be promoted like some bestselling novel that is worthy of reading because of its ranking? Are we so caught up in self-righteousness and "our" accomplishments that we forget to acknowledge who made it all possible? Is this Christian college now seeking worldly acceptance instead of godly favor?

Which do you want-respectability or holiness?

Examine the life of Jesus. He never sought acceptance from the religious leaders of His day. He didn't take a poll and try to get on the top ten religious men list! He was merely obedient to the will of the Father.

Our sudden popularity

within the college arena and pervasive need to be in good standing (respectability) with our fellow institutions makes me wonder if we really are headed in the right direction. After all, Jesus was never popular and He never strove to be

Again, I ask you: which do you want--respectability or holiness?

R. S. Stein

## Creationists should go home

Dear Editor:

Jeers to the NNC administration for inviting the creationists who invaded the chapels of October 10th and 11th.

The speakers' single-minded viewpoints and opinions were submitted as facts without any opportunity for rebuttal by evolutionists, Christian or otherwise. While NNC is required to uphold the values and beliefs of its sponsoring denomination,

concerning issues on which the Nazarene church holds no formal opinion this college should value the search for truth above the search for dogmatic, extremist opinions.

The fact that many intelligent, well-informed scholars stand on either side of this issue indicates that worthwhile debate is to be had. More truth could have been gleaned, therefore, from a controlled argument between representatives of the two beliefs. A real search for truth would demand that NNC give an equal audience to those of another belief.

Jeers also to Ken Ham, the speaker of October 10th, who justified his worldwide mission by asserting that homosexuality and abortion (among other "evils") are the symptoms of a sickness called the Theory of Evolution.

I would point out that homosexuality, abortion, murder, and the rest existed and even flourished a thousand years before the invent of the Theory of Evolution. I am convinced that these "evils" will continue to exist and would exist

independent of evolutionism.

Our good speaker failed to show a definite link between society's sicknesses and Darwin's theory. Without any evidence to support such a link, it may only be offered as the speaker's opinion, not as

Since this alleged link wholly substantiates his only reason for preaching his opinions to previously redeemed Christians, it is only his opinion that he has a purpose to preach at all. And since (as he pointed out) today's church is plagued by internal quarreling which keeps the church from marching forward, united toward a common cause, I assert that he actually fuels this quarrelling by pitting evolutionist against creationist within the church.

No proven benefit to his preachings can be shown, and there exists the potential harm of creating useless conflict irrelevant to salvation. Perhaps he would've been better off to have stayed home.

Eric D. Ellis

## Nudist clergyman survives pencil stabbing

By Robyn Ellis
Crusader Staff Reporter

Although Marty Michelson has been spotted naked on Scot Edward's bed playing Nintendo, he has little time for leisure.

Marty keeps quite busy with his responsibilities as ASNNC Campus Ministries Coordinator and Student Center Director.

The youngest of four children, Marty claims he was "spoiled rotten" as a kid.

"I had a mundane and uneventful childhood," he explains, "except for the time when my brother tried to stab me with a pencil."

Marty claims he still has lead in his knee, but big brother Brad (ASNNC's

Executive Vice President) says, "Yeah, whatever, Marty. It's your dream that I went after you with a pencil."

A senior pre-seminary student from Eugene, Oregon, Marty plans to pursue a life of ministry, preferably in another country.

Marty outlines relationships as the most important things in his life: first with Jesus, then with others. This is very evident to those who have had the benefit of knowing Marty. His friends describe him to be a very personable, caring, and supportive guy.

Marty has done a lot with the position of Campus Ministries Coordinator, beginning last year with his efforts to change the position's



Marty kicks back - with clothes on, thank goodness! (Photo by Brad Nelson)

name from Religious Life Director. Under the new title, Marty hopes to support and direct the various campus ministries rather than "direct

people's religious lives."

"NNC has a lot of opportunities to get involved in ministry," Marty comments, adding that ministry is an

extremely valuable and beneficial way to spend one's time in college.

One of Marty's responsibilities and ministries is to coordinate Wednesday night Time Out services, and he truly appreciates each person who makes the effort to attend.

Marty is definitely the type of person who leaves a lasting impression. Last year, Marty was running across campus watching his feet (to see if he was still pigeon-toed) when he found himself flying over a construction block that read, 'Caution: Wet Cement.' He landed on his hands in front of the Home Economics building. The imprints are still there, if you would like to go look at them.



(top) Kyle Borger inflates his way to stardom.
(top right) Recipe for Love: Lisa Daniels, Dana Erdman, Christa Daniels, and Tina McKenzie are cooking something up in Corlett. Call 8505 for info. (bottom right) Mark Palmen, alias "Ponch," earned top marks from the Fresheree audience during the "You Pose It, We'll Expose It" dance-off. (All photos by Brad Nelson)

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## Fresheree 1991





'Pretty Peroxides' bashed blondes. 'Dead Puppies' weren't much fun. Yet laughter resounded through the Science Lecture Hall as Fresheree '91 welcomed the class of 1995.

Organized by the sophomore class council, Fresheree sold out to upperclassmen in 45 minutes, yielding a net profit of \$500.

Some of the more lively acts included: 'The Heebie Jeebies Feelin' Groovy', Professor Tom Vessey's reversed rendition of "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere", and 'The Smosh Does Private Idaho'.

Hosts Steve Wyborney and Don Curtis held their own in the rousing of Freshman rancor as they ripped on the new lowerclassmen.

In the words of John Nordstrom, "Some of the acts were nebulous, but overall, the evening was lighthearted and fun."

(below) Matt McCaslin impersonates music professor Dr. Marvin Stallcop as he leads the "Heebie Jeebies" in a chorus of "Feelin' Groovy." (Photo by Brad Nelson)



## Horwood gets 100th win, Chigbrow scores hat trick

By John Bomar Crusader Staff Reporter

Crusader soccer players showed what they truly are made of last weekend, defeating Utah Community College 4-2 in a non-league game Friday and Lewis and Clark State College 3-1 Friday's game Saturday. brought Chad Chigbrow a hat trick (three goals in a single game), while Saturday's victory marked coach Art Horwood's 100th career win.

Horwood is in his 14th season as head coach of men's soccer at NNC. He has been the Crusaders' only men's soccer coach, starting NNC's program in 1978. His overall record is 100-85-11 for an average of .541.

His team honored him with the ceremonial postgame ice water shower on the sidelines.

"It may be late in the season," Horwood commented, "but the guys believe they can win now and hopefully we can finish it out that way."

The weekend's victories can be attributed to team play and hard work.

"Our ability to play consistently throughout the entire game was the difference between our wins this last weekend and games of the commented junior defender Eric Skoglund.

Chigbrow stealthily shook the net in Friday's win. Three of NNC's four goals came off the foot of the junior cocaptain. The fourth goal was scored on a penalty kick by junior Carlos Antras, an exchange student from

Barcelona, Spain.

Chigbrow was assisted by Eddie Miles on a pass, Russ Harmon and Travis Friberg on a corner kick play, and Antras on a pass. Junior goalie Rob Lawler performed well, posting his first penalty kick stop of the season in the last thirty seconds of play.

In Saturday's 3-1 defeat of Lewis and Clark State College, the Crusaders led 1-0 at the half on a goal by junior Dave Kerr with an assist by senior Mark Depew and freshman

Matt Salisbury.

Antras scored a second penalty kick sixteen minutes into the second half to make the score 2-0. Lewis and Clark scored twenty-five minutes later on, but NNC came back with a goal by freshman Brian Murphy with just three minutes left to play. The goal was Murphy's first in his college career. He was assisted by Friberg and Salisbury, creating what senior Joel Livingston called "the freshman combo plate."

The Crusaders, now 3-11 for the season, took fifteen shots on goal to Lewis and Clark's mere two. Pioneers coach was ejected from the game for arguing with a referee.

Thursday NNC will travel to Oregon to play Pacific University on Friday and Western Baptist on Saturday. The Crusaders will finish off regular season next Wednesday, October 30th, at 4:00 p.m. in Caldwell against the College of Idaho.



Russ Harmon drives past a Lewis & Clark defender. (Photo by Brad Nelson)

#### Crusader Sports Calendar

VOLLEYBALL Saturday, October 26th, 3:00 p.m. vs. Western Baptist

SOCCER Wednesday, October 30th, 4:00 p.m. vs. College of Idaho in Caldwell

BASKETBALL Golden Rule Classic Friday and Saturday, November 15th & 16th

## Dr. Bennett ponders and picks the Series

By Gaymon Bennett Special to the Crusader

The 1991 World Series came close to being a matchup between the two teams which most clearly dominated their leagues and clinched their division titles earliest.

But the winningest team in the Majors -- the Pittsburgh Pirates (98-64) -- fell to the National League team of destiny, the Atlanta Braves, Thursday night, so now the . the Series will feature two teams which finished last in their divisions a year ago and made history by being the first ever to go from worst to first in successive seasons. It will be more than a historical novelty, however, when the Minnesota Twins and the Atlanta Braves face each other in the 1991 World Series.

The Minnesota Twins carry the American League Pennant into the World Series after trouncing the Toronto second highest F.Q. (frustration quotient) in the AL, the Jays have played in and lost three Championship Series in seven seasons, winning only five games.

The Twins won convincingly, clinching the than not since winning their Series with three straight wins in the Toronto Skydome. Although the Twins benefitted from the hot hitting of Series MVP Kirby Puckett (.429, 2 HR), they did not reveal a weak spot in their line-up.

Twins pitching was not Only one starter, Jack Morris, tallied any wins, but he tied the play-off record with two. And the bullpen, especially relatively unknown Willis, performed exceptionally. And the Twins defense made about half as many errors as the Jays.

As remarkable as the Twins' turnaround may be, the Braves' ascent from division cellar to league championship defies all odds. After all, the

Blue Jays 4-1. With the Twins were World Champions just four years ago and finished with 74 wins in a tough division last year while the Braves have never won a post-season series in Atlanta and have finished in last place in the NL West more times weak division nine years ago.

The Braves made up a 9 1/2 game deficit in three months this year, winning 55 games in the second half of the season -- winning in spite of a suspension and injuries to key players -- winning while their closest rivals, the Los Dodgers, were Angeles whining (and losing).

The Braves enter the World Series 4-3, winners over the Pirates. The series featured four shut-outs, including a post-season record three 1-0 games. Although the Pirates took two games in Atlanta for a 3-2 advantage, the Braves -- as they did often in the regular season -- fought back to win the final two games in Pittsburgh.

Pitching was the difference. Twenty-one-yearold lefty, Steve Avery and strong righthander John Smoltz each registered two wins. Avery won series MVP for allowing only 9 hits and no runs in more than 16 innings.

#### Dr. B's Series picks

In the World Series look for the Minnesota Twins to win in five or six games. (I

because I believe the saddest words on the sports page are "end of season.") But the Twins will have a significant advantage over the Braves.

These Twins are not the same Cinderella team that captured my heart in 1987 with their heroic seven-game victory over the St. Louis Cardinals, relying on two outstanding pitchers, clutch hitting, high-decibel stadium noise, a gray Metrodome roof, frantic hankie waving, and Al Newman's rally caps to win the World Championship.

These 25 players are 95game winners. They are champions.

The pitchers on the 1987 Twins roster have been replaced with the strongest pitching corp in the Majors this year. The starters include veteran Jack Morris (with 18 victories), 20-game phenom Scott Erickson, and control artist Kevin Tapani (16 game winner with a 4 to 1 strikeouts to walks ratio). What the starters can't finish, relievers such as the surprising Carl Willis (8-3, 2.63 ERA) and stopper Rick Aguilera (owner of 42 saves during the season and 3 in the play-offs)

Even with a rookie at second base, the Twins boast one of the best defenses in baseball. In 162 regular season games they committed only 95 errors compared to opponents 130.

The Braves are not going to make it easy for the Twins. They display the enthusiasm of the 1987 Twins (though they chop their tomahawks rather than waving homer hankies). However, the Braves lack the depth in both hitting and pitching which the Twins enjoy. Although their team also owns a league batting champ, Terry Pendleton, he slumped against Pittsburgh. The team batting average is .258 and three of their regulars hit over the .300

The starting rotation features three lefthanders; however, Tom Glavine and Charlie Liebrandt faded toward the end of the season. Look for the Braves to win when Avery and Smoltz are on the mound. The Braves will also be effective if they can turn the ball over to Alejandro Pena with a lead in the late innings. The rest of the Braves bullpen, however, remains questionable.

Don't expect high-scoring games. Although both teams have hard-hitting personnel, outstanding pitching for both teams should dominate potentially outstanding hitting. The Twins will enjoy the advantage of more quality starts and more reliable relief,

Enjoy the World Series. And watch for my Series wrap-up in the next Crusader when I'll either gloat or eat

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## Serna builds new image for NNC baseball

By Robyn Ellis
Crusader Staff Reporter

After the Crusaders crushed Treasure Valley Community College 14-4 last Thursday, this year's fall baseball preview predicts one incredible year for the Crusaders. The players and coaches, united from all over the country, have come together, developing what could easily be the best team in NNC's history.

Paul Serna, the Crusader's new coach was a major league baseball player for the Seattle Mariners in 1981 and 1982. More recently, he has been coaching at Azusa Pacific University in California.

With this kind of experience, Coach Serna is just the man to revolutionize

social goals as well. Serna is planning a trip to the Children's Hospital to let the team learn from kids who would give anything to have healthy physical bodies.

Serna gives a lot of credit to his assistant coaches.

"The greatest strength of the program is the coaching staff," Serna commented. "My strength comes from them." The assistant coaches include Eric Jeffries, Brian Muir (both from Azusa) and Burke Deal.

The team seems to share the coach's vision for this year

"The coach is great, tremendous, knowledgeable, and a great motivator," said Dan Larkin, a senior pre-law major. "He brought us a motto from Azusa: Better person, better student, better player."

"We may rip your faces off 50 to 0, but we'll do it with grace and class." — Paul Serna, Crusader Baseball Coach

NNC baseball. His years of playing professional have given the coach some valuable insight into coaching.

"It helps me realize what it takes to get there," he said, ".
. a lot of sacrifice and competition. Just when you think there is no chance, that's when you get tougher."

Coach Serna has high ideals for his players. He has a well-rounded approach knowing that there is life beyond baseball. He does believe, however, that much about life can be learned through the game. He runs his program like a business, he said, so that players "will be able to cope with the real world and its competitiveness."

He has set not only athletic goals for his team, but also spiritual, academic, and Dan is one of NNC's pitchers, as well as a hitter. This often means 30-35 hours of practice a week for him. He says a real strength of the team is their receptiveness to the new coaching style.

"If we learn, we'll do extremely well," he said, adding that he believes the team has the potential to make it to the world series this year.

Dan is glad to be back at NNC after a year at Willamette University. "I'm just happy to be here, hope I can contribute, and with the good Lord willing, things will work out," he said.

The team's image is a major focus for improvement this year, according to senior Gary Jones. The past three years have been "pretty bad,"

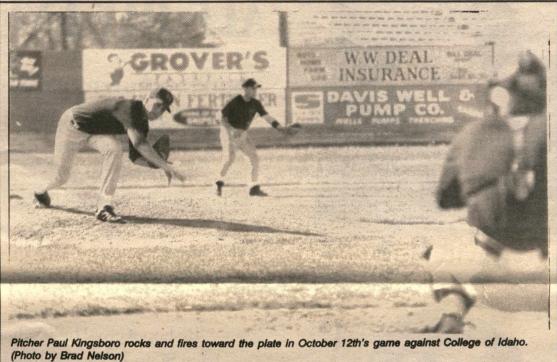
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he said, but he already sees a change taking place.

"[We are] striving to be the best we can -academically, socially, spiritually, and athletically," he said. "It comes from the head, the heart, and the [guts]."

The coach has set rules to improve the team's image, such as fines for cussing on the field and fines for not

having shoes shined before games. He knows how important the image of the team is, and he wants other teams to see a team "playing for God. We may rip your faces off 50 to 0, but we'll do it with grace and class." He asserted that the Crusaders will be a team "who won't start anything, but will finish everything."

Sophomore Erik Schendel said the team is more disciplined this year. "It's going to be a different season than it's ever been," he said.

Jim Seaney, sophomore transfer from Pacific University, said, "We work like a family. People should come and watch, because they will be surprised at the winning attitude and ability."

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## The Crusader Volleyball on a bumpy road VANTS YOU!

By Tara Holmly Crusader Staff Reporter

The volleyball team split its matches this weekend, losing to Southern Oregon on Friday and beating Oregon Tech on Saturday.

Southern Oregon downed the Lady Crusaders in three games -- 15-0, 15-3, and 15-12. Southern currently leads the Cascade Conference with a record of 4-0.

NNC disposed of the Owls from Oregon Tech in three straight games -- 15-7, 16-14, and 15-5.

Leading the team this weekend were Stephanie Arland with 19 kills, 5 blocks, and 26 digs; Terea Josephson with 15 kills, 5 blocks, and 13

digs; Brenda Naccarato with 17 assists, 7 kills, and 7 digs; and Sarah Weaver with 15 ssists and 7 digs.

"We're continuing to play inconsistently," commented coach Darlene Brasch about her team's progress thus far. "We hope to get it together and play to our potential this weekend."

Both of last weekend's matches were conference contests, and the Crusaders' record now stands at 2-3.

The team will play a conference match at Eastern Oregon on Friday, October 25. The final home game of the season will be on a Saturday, October 26. The Crusaders will face off against Western Baptist at 3:00.



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