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# **Column One**

This is our first real paper of the term. Last week we put out *The Inquisitor*, so this week we decided to take a stab at the real life journalism that so far we've only heard about.

This issue of *The Crusader* deals with the heavy issue of war. The cover story this week (written by Will Brown) is very good, and I encourage you to read it.

If most of you are like me, you probably don't spend a whole lot of time in front of the TV. If this is the case, you may find the articles in this week's *Crusader* to be educational and interesting.

NNC's Matt Willson tells about his unique experience overseas with the military and what he learned while he was in Saudi Arabia.

Usually, we try to give *The Crusader* a light feel with humorous stories and cartoons, but this week we devoted most of our efforts towards the important subject of war and how it affects our country.

It's about 4:00 in the morning now, and things here are just about wrapped up. All of the section editors have gone home, and Monica and I are trying to put the last minute touches on what is to be our first issue of the Crusader since we took over. If you like what you see, be sure to tell us. And in the off chance you don't like it, please keep your thoughts to yourself (Just kidding).

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# A student relates the realities of war

### Matt Willson

Crusader Campus Writer

My name is Matt Willson. Right out of high school, the only goal I had was to serve my country, so I joined the United States Air Force. Little did I know that the next four years would shape my life and way of thinking forever. last 120 days, but that soon changed.

On June 25, 1996, a terrorist group pulled up next to our compound with a gas truck stolen from a construction site a few days before. This truck had been loaded with about the equivalent of a 5,000 pound bomb. It killed over 19 people and injured hundreds, including myself. It de-



Matt Willson (third from the left), a member of the 34 Fighter Squadron, stands with others in front of a fighter jet.

My experience started out just like that of any other person who enlists in the military, and off to basic training I went. Basic training and the training for the job which I would perform for the next four years, that of life support survival instructor, flew by in a flash. When I reached my home station at Hill AFB in Layton, Utah, I was sent to a series of survival schools ranging from combat, arctic, water, and POW survival courses.

Each experience brought me challenging times and made me grow up fast. My training experiences included eating bugs, being chased by a few dozen men with vehicles, helicopters, and even dogs. We also had to build shelters in the arctic in forty to sixty degree below weather and spend a day or so on the ocean in a one-man life raft with no land in sight. These are just some of the things which helped me prepare for the next big event.

After survival training, the next thing I knew, I was on my way to King Abdul-Aziz Air Base in Saudi Arabia with the 34 fighter Squadron. My job was to handle and teach the pilots about survival and flying equipment. Our stay in Saudi Arabia was to molished three buildings and put a hole in the ground 80 feet deep and about 80 feet wide.

I remember it like it was this morning and think of it every day. Four of my friends and I had just come back from down town and were relaxing in the living room of our seven story apartment complex in our compound. This was around 10:55 at night, so we were just shooting the bull.

The explosion lasted a matter of seconds, but for us in the living room and all who were involved, it seemed to last for hours. Each part of the explosion was distinct. The lights and the T. V. dimmed. I remember looking to the side at the patio glass doors and large window as they blew out.

The sound of the air in the room being sucked made it impossible to hear because it would be sucked out of existence. Then the blast exploded in on us and threw me out of my chair and into the wall five to eight feet away. Brian, the guy who was sitting next to me was now adjacent from me. Josh, who was standing along the patio window across the room from the wall where I was, was lying next to Brian.

With blood coming from my head and arms, I was confused.

We asked each other if things were alright, and we knew that we needed to get out of the building. We scrambled down the hall to the door that led outside. People were in a state of disarray. We decided to check our building to see if anybody needed help. Others were helping people that who needed to be carried to the medical building.

Then the worst thing that could have happened at the moment did happen: Panic hit. Rumors started that people were coming over the walls, and people began to run. My first thought was to wonder where a weapon might be.

The night lasted forever. There was no communication to the outside world. All we had were two TVs with CNN on down in the gym we went to. We gathered down there and watched as our story came on. What we were seeing was the very thing that our families at home were seeing. That hit home for all of us.

Our stay was then extended for almost six more months. We



A jeep displays the destruction of the bombing.

were moved to another base which was much smaller and poorly supplied. They told us to bring bedding and bathroom supplies. However, in the move to the new location, they lost our bags and we did not receive them for a month. Instead, our bags ended up in Germany. Fortunately, most of us had packed a couple of day bags (I was very thankful that I had).

Fear and loneliness set in for most of us there. Each of us had to deal with it in our own ways. We knew we were there for a reason: to protect others from a man who did not care if they lived or died. With that in mind, we were somehow proud to be there. We especially felt that if we had a chance to stop a man from taking advantage of and hurting people, we needed to be a part of that, and we needed to trust that they would do the right thing.

That was not the last time I would go over to Saudi Arabia. I spent another tour over there in the time I was with the 34 FS. The second time I was over there, I was in a different location, but this did not seem to compare to the last experience I had. I did not really care for going over there again, but I knew I had to because is was ordered.

As a Christian, I need to submit myself to the governing authorities (Romans 13:1). In the end, I would not trade one moment of my military experience for anything. It has shown me that through the times we think are rough, God is in control. People need to support our guys overseas. Pray for them. They are a long way from home, family, and friends. God Bless.

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# Learning to lead Hallmark comes to NNC

### Melissa Davis

Crusader Campus Writer

Each April, student leaders from all of the Nazarene Colleges and Universities in North America get together for what is called Nazarene Student Leadership Conference (NSLC). One of the purposes for having an event like NSLC is so that student leaders from different schools can gather to collaborate and share ideas and also to get prepared for the upcoming year as officers in student government. The event lasts for four days and is held at a different Nazarene school each year (decided by alphabetical order of the school names). Last week, our newly elected ASNNC officers went to Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee, Illinois, for this year's NSLC. Prior to the trip, Kristy Heffner, our new Social Vice-President, was really excited about NSLC. Besides getting to represent NNC and meet a lot of new people, Kristy was looking forward to getting "a lot of new ideas of stuff we could try here at NNC for social events."

There are various activities that take place at a Nazarene Student Leadership Conference. Some of the time is spent listening to various speakers, such as the chaplain and other faculty and community leaders of the host school. Another portion of the time is spent in training workshops and also small discussion groups. For the discussion groups, the students are divided up according to the offices they hold. This is when the student leaders really have the chance to share what is going on in their own schools and to exchange ideas with each other. Worshiping God, both corporately and personally (through devotional booklets that are designed for the conference and given to each participant), is also a big part of what goes on at NSLC each year. There is also at least one sightseeing/ fun trip planned into the events of the conference. During NSLC, student leaders take part in a service project of some kind as well.

While at NSLC, visiting student leaders stay in dorms of the host school, which gives them a feel for what life is like at a school other than their own. Meals are eaten together, usually in the cafeteria of the host school. There are also some special dinners during the conference.

Unity is definitely one of the underlying themes of each Nazarene Student Leadership Conference. However, it can be quite surprising to the students Apryl Page when they find out just how dif-

ferent some of the other Nazarene

schools are. It seems as though

our school has more self-gover-

nance than some of the other

schools. For example, NNC is

one of the few schools with a sen-

ate. Also, we (the students) get

to decide what is done with our

student fees (some other schools

don't have as much student-con-

trol over them). Some Nazarene

schools do not have as much par-

ticipation in student activities as

ours does (especially on the

weekends), due to the fact that we

are not located in a big city such

leaders may realize when attend-

ing NSLC are some of the differ-

ent rules between schools. There

are, believe it or not, some schools

that have regular bed checks and

clean room checks and other

schools where students are not

allowed to wear shorts until af-

ter five in the afternoon. Despite

the many differences between the

Nazarene Colleges and Universi-

ties in North America, NSLC ex-

ists to promote unity among the

schools and to allow for the col-

1999 Vice President of Spiritual

Life at Mount Vernon Nazarene College, said that he "had never

experienced anything like NSLC

before. It was a once in a lifetime

experience." NSLC provides

many wonderful memories each

year for those who have the op-

portunity to be involved in it.

One of our current NNC stu-

dents, Heather Olson, Oasis year-

book editor, has had the chance

to take part in NSLC each of the

last two years. In 1997, she went

to Colorado for NSLC. Because

of the uniqueness of Nazarene

Bible College, most of NSLC that

year was held at Golden Belle

Camp. Heather has fond memo-

ries of that time. She recalls that

there was a huge snow storm, but

that everyone stayed in rather

close quarters in the lodge and

"the exchanging of ideas [at

NSLC] was invaluable. I also

gained a new perspective on

what God is doing in the

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Crusader Campus Writer

An extraordinary opportunity was given to NNC last week. On April 8, the world premier of *Durango*, a Hallmark Hall of Fame production, was shown in the Brandt Center.

*Durango* is an enjoyable movie. It tells the story of a young man who drives a herd of cattle against all odds across 40 miles of land in Ireland. He meets many sources of opposition along the way, but he triumphs over them all. Not only does this movie have adventure, but a love theme is also interwoven throughout the plot. *Durango* ends happily as the cattle complete their journey and the two lovers reunite and get engaged.

The opportunity to premier *Durango* was given to NNC as a result of the Executive-in-Residence program through the Department of Business and Economics. This program, begun by the Harter family, supports a visiting distinguished executive to teach and to be available to the



Mr. Brad Moore, president of Hallmark Hall of Fame Presentations, with Professor Ron Galloway.

#### community.

Brad Moore, president of Hallmark Hall of Fame Presentations, was the 1998-99 Executive in Residence. He spoke in business classes and also in chapel last Friday. His chapel message encouraged students not to focus on a specific career path, but on a relationship with God and others. He also discussed the importance of concentrating Christian faith on what is essential rather than on peripherals.

We were very fortunate to have Brad Moore on our campus, and we greatly appreciate the time, effort, and work he put into making his time here a great suc-

# Another change is made

# Kari Wilde

Crusader Campus Editor

NNC has been making many changes as of late. These changes have included campus beautification, the move to the NCAA Division II, dorm changes for next year, and, of course, a name change.

There has been talk around campus all year that NNC might change its name. These rumors turned into truth in March. At the end of March, NNC's Board of Regents met once again. It was then that the regents unanimously voted to move NNC to university status.

This will happen no later than September 1, 1999, as long as it is ratified by the district assemblies of the Church of the Nazarene that make up the educational region of NNC. The states of Idaho, Alaska, Colorado, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming are the states included in NNC's educational region. In order for the switch from college status to university status to take place, ratification must occur by five of the district assemblies having a majority vote in favor of this change.

This decision to change NNC to a university was not a fast and easy decision. The Board of Regents discussed this and then decided that an Ad Hoc Committee should be set up to further look into whether or not to make the change. The Ad Hoc Committee looked at the requirements for becoming a university and found that NNC does in fact meet those requirements. The kind of university that NNC constitutes as is a small teaching university. More and more institutions have become small teaching universities, so they feel that it's only natural that NNC should do this as well.

The Ad Hoc Committee also found that many colleges like NNC are making or have already made the move to become universities. They believe that if NNC also makes this move it will put the college in a more competitive position as an exceptional teaching institution, among the other Northwestern colleges and universities similar to NNC.

Along with deciding to have NNC move to university status, a decision had to be made about what the new name would be. Several names that were suggested, but in the end, rejected were Phineas F. Bresee University, H. Orton Wiley University, Eugene Emerson University, and Western Nazarene University. It was finally decided to leave the "Northwest Nazarene" the same and just change "College" to 'University." This was the most favored name by the current students also. So Northwest Nazarene College, as long as ratification by five of the district assemblies occurs, will become Northwest Nazarene University sometime in the near future.

Among the students here at NNC, there is generally an accepting attitude of this change. In fact, many students feel that the change is one that is needed because they think that it will, in the end, benefit the college in the future. They feel that "university" carries with it a more prestigious sound than "college," and that in many people's mind, universities are associated with having more to offer to its students.

This change to university is a great unknown in many ways, but it is also an exciting opportunity and change that will, hopefully, open NNC up to new things that otherwise would not be experienced.

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The remaining members of Chapman's wing Dungeon West reunited for one last picture in front of the best building on NNC's campus. Of course they're all sporting their old wing t-shirts. From I to r: Jason Person, Nathan Hydes, Jeremy Brooks, Jeff Hall, Eric Depew, Adam Jurhs, David Lafrenz, Chad Cray, Scott Timm, and Will Brown. Not pictured is: Jason Barr (RA), Mike Brown, Brian Koenig, Andrew McBride, Seth Thomas, and Andrew Watkins.

# **Election Results**

### Class of 2000:

President: Ken Tennyson Vice President: Jeremy Klosterman Treasurer: Danielle Silvers Publicity Director: Sara Stude Secretary: Stephanie Skeen Chaplin: Eric Emmert Social Board: Dena Jones & Tracy Rummer Senate: Jennifer Holmquist, Sanchi Dean Run-off election: Jason Person & Geoff Parker

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### **World News**

civilian spokesman Jamie Shea.

dox Easter on Sunday with the

Yugoslav capital under air raid

warnings as NATO rejected pleas

to ease its bombardment during

was seen ablaze and Tanjug,

Yugoslavia's official news agency

said there was heavy damage, but

said the ethnic Albanian rebels of

the Kosovo Liberation Army are

still offering pockets of resistance.

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# Russia refuses to back NATO, threatens war

# Ryan K.Dooley

World News Staff Writer

Russian President Boris Yeltsin warns that NATO should not push Moscow toward military action over Kosovo, saying this could trigger possible world war. Meanwhile, the Kremlin denied that Russian missiles had been targeted toward NATO counties.

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Yeltsin's remarks came during what some observers described as the most forceful and extensive public review of Russian policy in more than six months, a time during which Yeltsin has been seriously ill.

While Yeltsin was meeting with some regional leaders, he said, " I told NATO, the Americans, the Germans: Don't push us towards military action. Otherwise, there will be a European war for sure and possibly a world war."

The wide-ranging statements, televised at greater length than usual, came as Russia's opposition-dominated lower house of parliament, the Duma, was preparing for an April 15 debate on an effort to impeach President Yeltsin.

"They (NATO) want to bring in ground troops, they are preparing for that, they want simply to seize Yugoslavia to make it their protectorate... we cannot let that



Tirana, Albania hospital. Sunday, the victim, Salami, was taken from his family to a destroyed home with more than a dozen other Kosovo men. shot at and set on fire by members of the serb military in Veli Krusa.

happen to Yugoslavia," Yeltsin said.

The Duma, which is dominated by communists and nationalists, has called for military support for Yugoslavia, a fellow Slav and Orthodox nation. Yeltsin spoke of the need for caution and diplomacy by saying, "I repeat again: Russia will not get involved if the Americans do not push us."

In Brussels, NATO spokesman Jamie Shea sought to reassure Russia that ground troops would be considered only in

terms of the peacekeepers needed to secure a peace agreement.

"It cannot be in Russia's long-term interest to isolate itself in the Balkans with Yugoslav President. Slobadon Milosevic at a time when he himself is more isolated than ever among the countries in the region," British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook said in London Friday.

The speaker of the Russian Duma, communist Gennady Seleznyov, quoted Yeltsin earlier Friday by saying he had ordered nuclear missiles to be targeted over NATO bombing of Yugoslavia,

and Seleznyov's spokesman said his boss had been misunderstood.

Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov, considered a key player in the Kosovo crisis, said he was not aware of any presidential order to retarget Russia's nuclear missiles.

Ivanov further said that a Russian reconnaissance ship in the Adriatic was not passing on intellegence to Yugoslavia in its conflict with NATO. Russia sent

Liman, a small eaves-dropping vessel from its Black Sea fleet, to the Mediteranian last week

Ivanov told reporters "All information from the reconnaissance ship is passed on to Russia."

One other development being NATO reconnaissance photos that suggest mass graves to have been freshly dug in Kosovo, alliance officials said Sunday.

The aerial photographs show a patch of freshly turned earth at Orahovac, near the provincial capital of Pristina, said Col. Konrad Freytag, NATO's military spokesman.

area may have been used for mass

Americans, the Germans: Don't push us towards military action." ~Boris Yeltsin

graves, "this can only be confirmed when the area has been in-

'Based on our experience in Bosnia, where a number of mass graves were uncovered, the form looks quite similar," added NATO

Britain announced it would send additional ships and planes into the air campaign in Yugoslavia, dispatching the aircraft carrier HMS Invincible and its escorts to the Adriatic Sea British military officials said the air raids which began on March 24, have

cut into the Yugoslav army's fuel supplies so sharply that its tanks and armored

vehicles are kept parked to save gasoline. "Over time, more and more of them will be coerced to stay static to save fuel," British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook said. "If they come out of hiding, they will be hit."

Hewlett-Packard donates \$50,000 to memorial

### Jeremy Smith World News Editor

BOISE, ID - Hewlett-Packard (HP) just made the Idaho Anne Frank Human Rights Center \$50,000 closer to reaching its fundraising goal.

HP helped awaken in the area a desire to for such a center when

it brought the "Anne Frank and the World" traveling exhibit to Boise in 1995. The exhibit, along with the 46,000 who visited it, convinced human rights leaders in the Treasure Valley to create a permanent memorial.

"Hewlett-Packard has been a leader in the community in helping to bring about a culturally rich and diverse environment in Idaho," says Mary Peterman, director of the Anne Frank memorial. With the HP donation, the memorial remains on track to complete fund-raising in February and to have the grand opening just before the 2000 Boise River Festival.

\$25,000 of the HP donation

came from the Boise operations and was matched by the headquarters in Palo Alto, CA to bring the total to \$50,000. HP has a \$87 million budget for philanthropy, among the largest in the world.

Other donators to the memorial include the Harry W. Morrison Foundation, Friends of Sen. and Bethine Church, FUNDSY, Inc., BMC West, Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation, Jack and Esther Simplot, Ada County Association of Realtors, Idaho Power and the Whittenberger Foundation. In addition, 24 Idaho school groups have donated money for a bronze sculpture of Frank.

High winds wreak havoc throughout midwest

### Rebecca Miller

World News Staff Writer

"This looks a lot like Kansas, Toto." The Wizard of Oz came to life as tornadoes swept the midwest last Friday. Six people were killed, and damage has been estimated to be in millions of dollars. The storms went through Illinois, Iowa and Ohio. Ohio was hit especially hard and has been declared a disaster area. Rescue

workers have been working steadily since Saturday.

The winds reached 200 miles an hour and above. A woman in Montgomery, Jessica Brown, described the experience of being awakened by the storm, "I heard the winds and felt bricks and things falling on me over the blan-She and her family stayed ket." in the basement while the storms destroyed the house.

In Montgomery alone, dam-

ages were around \$14 million, with many houses wrecked. Jill Cole said, "We're going to have to rent an apartment." She said, "I think it's a bulldozer job ... it's like a war zone." Fallen power lines created danger, many areas were blocked off, and curfews were imposed. No one was allowed in these areas from 8 p.m. until 7 a.m. and residents were given ID cards when they wished to visit their homes to salvage posses-

Communities have been working together to recover from the disaster. Said Montgomery Police Chief Do McGlothlin, "Usually these occasions bring out either the best or the worst in people, and in this case, it's all been the best."

Police, firemen and rescue workers have come in to help from other areas. McGlothlin was pleased with the fact that there had been no looting or defying of the curfews on the rest of the livable areas. As McGolthlin said, "Clean up is progressing as well as can be expected, but we've still got miles to go." There remains a possibility of more storms. According to the National Weather Service, there is a "medium risk" that the storms could appear again. The residents are therefore working quickly to repair and to be prepared for this possibility.

Albertson's, Nelson Construction,



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"I told NATO, the



cted," Freytag said.

### World News

# U.S. bombs Iraq after no-fly-zone violations

Jeremy Smith World News Editor

Iraq - According to a U.S. Defense Department spokesman on Sunday, U.S. warplanes attacked two Iraqi surface-to-air missile sites in the southern no-fly zone, after being fired on with anti-aircraft artillery.

Iraqi officials in Baghdad said two people had been killed and nine were wounded in the attack on the no-fly zone. Air Force Lt. Col. Mark Samisch of the U.S. Central Command said during a telephone interview from Tampa, Florida, that he had no information on any civilian casualties.

The Central Command said that Navy F/A-18 Hornets struck the sites at 5:30 a.m. EDT in retalliation to anti-aircraft artillery fire on Sunday and a surface-toair missile attack on Saturday.

"In response to Iraqi aggression, coalition pilots continue to take appropriate actions to defend themselves, and they will continue to defend themselves by targeting Iraq's air defense network as long as it threatens coalition aircraft," stated the Defense Department earlier. One Iraqi military spokesman was quoted by the Iraqi News Agency as saying that U.S. planes "attacked a number of our service utilities and weapons sites in the southern region and the bombing led to martyrdom of two citizens and injuries to another nine, including two women."

The spokesman for Iraq's Air Defense Command said the planes had flown over the regions of Artawi, al-Chlaiba, al-Salman, al-Samawa and Qa'lat Suker. The spokesman mentioed that the deaths occurred in an attack on al-Sannia village in Qadissiya prov-

"The hostile formations were engaged by our missile and brave ground resistance forces and forced to flee and leave our airspace toward Saudi Arabia and Kuwait at 2:35 p.m.," stated the spokesman.

The U.S. Central Command said that the assaults were about 100 miles south of Baghdad, near Al Kut and Ad Diwaniyah.

Iraq does not acknowledge the no-fly zones, established after the 1991 Gulf War to protect Kurds in the north and Shiite Moslems in the south from possible attack by Baghdad's forces.

A continuous campaign of air attacks by U.S. and British planes on Iraqi air defense targets in the no-fly-zones began last December after the flights came under repeated ground attack.

Samisch said the attacks were in response to "nearly 160 direct provocations" in the south area alone since December. He said the provocations included anti-aircraft artillery, surface-to-air missile attacks, radar illuminations and violations of the no-fly zone.

U.S. planes also struck on Saturday and on Thursday.

# Clinton and Zhu continue foreign trade talks

### Ryan K.Dooley World News Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, D.C - As the meeting between PremierZhu Rongi and Clinton approached, it became clear that they would be unable to produce a major accord to show the development of ties. They were working toward the completion of an agreement to allow China to become a member of the global trade body. Despite reports that the negotiators were getting close to reaching terms for the accession (the direct involvement of Zhu the most powerful force for economic reform in China's government) the climate for a breakthrough deteriorated.

Allegations of Chinese spying at the U.S. military labs, controversy over illegal contributions to the Clinton-Gore campaign by Chinese businessmen, reports of escalating human rights abuses in China and a \$57 billion trade deficit are just some of the issues that have cropped up to vex the rela-

tionship. As the U.S. election draws near, the ranks of China critics have grown louder if not more numerous.Zhu commented, "President Jiang Zemin is number one, and he told me to come."

China has issued strongly worded protests over U.S. bombing in the Balkans, saying Washington should not interfere in other countries' internal affairs. So even if there had been a perfect accord on trade issues this may not have been the time to announce it for either side.

In the way of agriculture, one of the most sensitive areas of trade, China has agreed to completely eliminate its bans on U.S. agricultural products. In fact, it's tariffs on incoming farm goods will fall to about 14.5 percent after World Trade Organization (WTO) accession, compared to the global average 40 percent.

The industrial goods or industrial tariffs will plummet to an average of 7.1 percent in "U.S. priority areas," which Barshefsky notes is "substantially below the rates of virtually every developing country and quite comparable to rates in major industrialized trade patterns like Australia and New Zealand."

In other services, China has agreed to a schedule for opening up for foreign companies the right to conduct foreign trade without middlemen, sell wholesale and distribute their own foods in China. Areas have cost foreign investors and traders a fortune in

middleman fees and caused immense frustration.

There are, to be sure, sectors in which China and the U.S. have not resolved their differences. U.S. wants more concessions in



Vice-President Gore and Premier Zhu Rongi meet to discuss further foreign trade between China and U.S.

the banking sector, audiovisual market, securities and for foreign professional services, such as lawyers and accounting firms.

While detail is what trade negotiations are all about, the Clinton administration is also trying to impress Congressional critics that it is not selling out to China, particularly in the other sensitive political issues.

U.S. Trade Representatives say that this agreement locks in the progress, allowing business to step in to lobby for WTO accession, without appearing to hand it out easily. The WTO meetings in Seattle in December will offer the next major event appropriate for an announcement on China's WTO bid.

Clinton is also making a case for realism in the relationship, and to some extent portraying those who disagree with him on China policy as extremists.

He points out that cooperation with China on Korean peninsula security, and its efforts will help to stabilize economic turmoil in southeast Asia. With trade officials, he says China's admissions to WTO help the U.S. more than China, by prying open its giant market according to enforceable rules.

# Filing taxes electronically jumps in popularity

### Jeremy Smith World News Editor

The year 1999 appears to be the year that electronic filing (or e-filing) of tax returns has become mainstream. The IRS estimates that about 29 million individual returns, which is approximately 23 percent of the total, will be filed electronically, nearly one-quarter of those coming within the final week.

There have been more than 35 million tax forms, documents and other products downloaded from the IRS Web site this year. The agency fears that its site may experience delays or other access problems due to the large number of people accessing the site. The only suggestion being made is, "Keep trying."

The major change this year is that the IRS joined with private companies to offer electronic filing services. Two of these providers, SecureTax and Web TurboTax, allow you to prepare, print and file your return online. Three othersproviders, TaxAct, Taxcut and UDS Electro Tax Individual, require you to download their software for most returns. The other two IRS partners, H&R Block and Jackson Hewitt, require you to go to their offices to file electronically.

The IRS has many reasons for promoting the e-filing of taxes. One reason is that e-filing helps create fewer errors. The error rate for e-filing is less than 1 percent, compared to over 20 percent for paper returns.

Another benefit of electronic filing is quicker refunds. Registering for direct deposit of your refund will take an estimated eight to fifteen days to be deposited into your account. If you prefer a check, it should take another seven days. In comparison, getting refunds from regular filing can take more than two months. Verification is another reason e-filing is preferred. The IRS acknowledges receipt of electronic returns. There is no verification for paper returns unless sent by certified mail. And finally, e-filing is cheaper. The IRS calculates that it costs less than \$5 to process an electronic return. A paper return costs about twice as much to process.

The e-filing process is not completely paper-free. Unless you have previously registered with the IRS with an Electronic Customer Number (ECN), you may have to mail your signature and other supporting paper documents. Last December, the IRS mailed ECNs to about 8 million taxpayers who had previously filed electronically.

If you have not received an ECN you will need to send in a Form 8453, to give the IRS a copy of your signature for filing. Copies of supporting documents such as your W-2 or 1099 must also be sent in.

The IRS believes that as more people use e-filing for taxes, the process will become much simpler and more accurate, taking the sting out of what some believe to be a painful process.

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# Should the United States military be involved in the Kosovo crisis? mote Democracy.

# Kosovo? Who cares?

by Will Brown Copy Editor

It is easier for most Americans to make sweeping generalizations of Eastern European and Middle Eastern affairs than it is to educate ourselves of their roots and to keep upto-date with the latest developments. More than a few times, I have heard, "There has always been trouble over there and there always will be." This, I think, is too broad a generalization to make, its first half a-historical, its second highly speculative.

But this mentality is hard to avoid. If the situations of Eastern Europe and the Middle East are not as simple as we would like to make them, then they are too complex to understand.

This complexity and the myriad of conflicts which have arisen out of it seem to have created a pessimism and a carelessness in us which has tempted us away from awareness. This tendency toward generalization allows us to make hasty judgments regarding our own involvement in such matters.

Is this ignorance on our part justified? If we cannot fall back on vague, pessimistic generalizations to defend our stance toward or against involvement, shouldn't we pause and rethink our former opinions?

The question of any military involvement is a tough one, not one to be generalized. To ask why we in-

volved ourselves in World War I would not be the same as to ask why we involved ourselves in Vietnam, the Gulf War or any of the Eastern European crises. There is no overarching principle, but the most

"We find ourselves with a number of international obligations which we cannot overlook, obligations of trade, of debt, of alliance."

general which could explain equally well our involvement in any two of these. The answers, rather, are contextual

In World War I, Americans saw themselves "keeping the world safe for Democracy." In World War II, we sought to retaliate against Japan for its air assault on Pearl Harbor, to squelch the ambitious nationalism of Adolf Hitler and to curtail the genocidal loss of life at his hands.

Korea and Vietnam were small episodes in the larger Cold War, a war of ideologies in which we likened our actions to police actions to contain Communism and to pro-

In an extended sense, one might say that all of these wars were fought to defend human freedom; all were fought to "keep the world safe for Democracy," and to defend the world from absolutism and militarism. But this is only true in an extended sense.

Since the Cold War has come to an end, we have participated in a number of smaller conflicts and wars, both unilaterally and multilaterally, for a number of different reasons.

Save for our recent attacks against Iraq and northern Africa and a few other minor episodes, a number of these fall under the title "Humanitarian Interventionism."

From Somalia and Mozambique in Africa to Slovenia, Croatia, and Bosnia-Herzegovina in Eastern Europe, we have fought to preserve the life and well-being of populations against suppression, ethnic cleansing, and genocide.

Our involvement in past military conflicts, of course, has never been without a voice of dissent, and the popularity of dissent changes from involvement to involvement.

Prior to World War I, the United States took a strong isolationist stance, trying to keep itself out of foreign affairs totally, exclusively focusing, instead, on matters of national interest.

This soon proved difficult because foreign affairs proved to make themselves matters of national interest, as when Germany attempted to coax Mexico into a war with the U.S. so that the U.S. would stay out of the Great War (WWI).

Many of our own grandparents' attitudes toward involvement were shaped by the progress of World War II: the Munich generation remembers the lessons it learned of the failure of appeasement to satisfy an ambitious, nationalistic country, and veterans of World War II vowed "never again" to the genocidal atrocities committed in the Holocaust

On the other hand, many of our own parents remember the lessons they have learned from the Vietnamese conflict: the insecurity of involving ourselves in the conflict of a country whose culture, geography, and tactical methodology we do not understand; the frustration of entering a conflict with no well-defined objective and an administration which seems hesitant to provide one; and the massive casualties as a result.

The lessons of Vietnam have made many pessimistic toward the

battle. For Americans, Arlington invokes both pride in the nation's military and

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front the possibility of future conflict, is whether it would be appropriate to let our attitudes toward involvements in the past affect our future attitudes.

those who do not learn from the past are doomed to repeat it, and there certainly are valuable lessons to learn from past conflicts.

ments competently, we must learn how to apply these lessons. Similarly, we must learn to distinguish the differences between past and future conflicts, and we must be careful to avoid loose associations.

ourselves simply because we have gained a broad notion that war is bad, we have generalized too broadly, and it might be that, in doing so, we stand back exactly when we should have jumped in.

Similarly, if we jump in simply because we have a vague notion that war is good, we may very well find ourselves in an embarrassing or gravely detrimental situation.

Of significant interest, when we ask ourselves why we involve ourselves in military conflicts, are those



Three American soldiers captured in the Kosovo Crisis. U.S. Soldiers being taken as Prisoners of War is one of the many dangers that the US faces by getting involved in a crisis such as Kosovo.

To many, the Arlington National Cemetary is a reminder of loved ones lost in conflicts in which we remain

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local, temporary, and non-repercussive. During the Cold War era, we found ourselves supporting communist Yugoslavia under its leader, Tito, in order to provide a buffer in eastern Europe against the Soviet Union, overlooking the ethnic suppression he perpetrated as leader.

Since the early Nineties, however, following the collapse of the Soviet Union, we have found ourselves at arms regularly against Slobodan Milosevic, Yugoslavia's current leader, who has taken it upon himself to create a purified Yugoslavia for his fellow Serbs.

It is a tragedy that we don't concern ourselves more than we do with foreign affairs. It is disappointing that we have grown so callous and careless toward war. Awareness, so often stressed, is one of the most effective tools we have for life, but it is also so often neglected.

It has been said that the conflict in which we now find ourselves involved is a case study of the next century, that we are now seeing what the face of Twenty-first Century conflicts will look like. If this is so, how can we ignore what may come to be such a large part of our lives?

It has also been said that the world is getting smaller every day. If isolationism was impractical almost a century ago, it would be virtually impossible today.

The countries of the world are so enmeshed with one another that the events and affairs of foreign nations cannot help but trickle down into our lives.

We are American citizens, but more and more every day, we are also global citizens. Can we ethically defend our ignorance in the face of our fellow citizens' problems?

And as students of a college devoted to moral uprightness, can we overlook the responsibility of the Good Samaritan to his/her neighbor? Can we afford to be unaware and still claim to be what we say we are?

When, then, is it appropriate to involve ourselves? In our own age, total uninvolvement, isolationism, is

impossible. We find ourselves with a number of international obligations which we cannot overlook, obligations of trade, of debt, of alliance.

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We find ourselves as a member of more than one international multilateral organization, UN and NATO to name the two most obvious. Unlike the world of our earliest forefathers who had at least some security of distance from nearest their

neighbors, our world is one of complex interdependence. Some involvement is a given.

At the same time, we are not the only actors on the world stage. We are not the only ones responsible for the complex workings of the world, and in recent years, we have been criticized for our "big brother/ policeman of the world" attitude, and rightly so. e are a powerful nation which carries a greater sway than some others, and we cannot take this fact lightly, nor can we abuse it in national self-righteousness.

But as with our involvements of the past, our potential for future involvement cannot be done outside of context. The question, "Should we be involved?" must be asked every time we confront the possibility.

What, then, of our involvement in the crisis of Kosovo?

To begin with, we should recognize that the Kosovo is not simply an isolated incident which may soon enough end and take its place in the back of our minds as yet one more insignificant conflict to be forgotten. In fact, the large number of such conflicts should inform us of something more significant.

The crisis in Kosovo and in the Balkan states in general is the legacy of the Twentieth century, its roots drawing back to the beginning of the century and intermingling with many of the century's most important events, specifically in World War I and the Cold War.

The history of the Balkans is, as many are already aware, complex. The convoluted ethnic makeup of southeastern Europe has regularly led to military crisis.

Prior to World War I, the nationalisms of these various populations contained and mingled within such a small amount of land led to much conflict, and the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand in Bosnia which catalyzed what would soon become the first World War was a manifestation of Serbian nationalism against the encroachments against Austria-Hungary, one of the stronger Euro-

pean nations.

At the conclusion of the War, Serbia's nat i o n a l i s t i c dreams for a united Balkan state were realized at the hands of those countries which would become the kernel of NATO later on.

As a result of the redrawing of maps following the war, much of the Balkans were united under the Slav state called Yugoslavia, combining Serbs, Croats, Slovenes, Macedonians, and Albanians.

The principle of self-determination, which the negotiations following World War I were allegedly founded upon, failed the people of southeastern Europe, for the compounded mix of people in the In 1991 Croatia asserted its independence, after failed negotiations. Milosevic responded by sending the Yugoslavian army, increasingly the Serbian army, into Croatia to regain control, and though the two sides eventually agreed to a cease-fire, Croatia had lost a third



Sights such as this weeping Albanian refugee inspire some Americans to encourage United States military involvement in the war effort.

Balkans made it virtually impossible of its to draw borders along national or ethnic lines. Bosn Following World War II, Yugo-

slavia avoided Soviet control, remaining instead as an independent Communist state under the rule of Tito.

During the Cold War, the ethnic crisis of Yugoslavia surfaced little under the suppressive rule of Tito, but following his death, Yugoslavia suffered a power vacuum.

The League of Communists of Yugoslavia (LCY) filled the vacuum, but no strong leader emerged, and the ethnic problems resurfaced with a vengeance until 1989, when several of the republics which made up Yugoslavia regained a certain amount of autonomy from the LCY.

During the Eighties, however, Slobodan Milosevic, an extreme Serbian nationalist, had been rising through the ranks of the LCY, and after he had established himself as the leader of the LCY in 1987, he rejected the separatist movements of the republics of Yugoslavia.

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In 1992, Milosevic turned to Bosnia-Herzegovina to repeat the process, this time capturing some 70% of the land. Milosevic's policy became one of ethnic cleansing, of purging Yugoslavia of its non-Serbian elements (i.e., Serbian Muslims).

In 1995, European and U.S. forces intervened and a tentative peace was reached, international forces being stationed to monitor the maintenance of the peace. The crisis in Kosovo is the latest move of Milosevic's ethnic cleansings. Earlier in the year, the Serbian army swept down into Kosovo, its population 90% Albanian Muslim, destroying villages and homes and killing thousands of Kosovars, causing several thousand more to become refugees.

NATO reacted three weeks ago with air strikes against sites in Yugoslavia and attacked to disable the country, including military sites and storage, communications, and oil facilities. The Crusader

The move against Yugoslavia has been widely accepted by the nation as well as by Western Europe and by several major humanitarian organizations. But, as always, it is not without its voice of dissent. The question is, should we be involved, and in what capacity?

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A large number of the arguments for involvement revolve around moral and humanitarian concerns.

As those responsible for the shaping of the Serbian nation of Yugoslavia, are we not also responsible for the problems this has caused? And are we so quick to forget that oath made in all seriousness by our World War II veteran forefathers against the atrocity of genocide?

Though the comparisons of Milosevic to Hitler cannot go too far, Milosevic's genocidal tendencies are disturbing, and though he has not yet participated in the mass killings characteristic of the holocaust, one must wonder what the fate of the Kosovars is now that Milosevic has closed the border to further emigration.

If we don't act on this now, will we ever? Or can we sit back and watch genocide take place once again? The arguments against the action are numerous, either because of poor planning or because of the seeming fruitlessness of any involvement at all.

The fears of the Vietnam generation are certainly understandable, for we went into the conflict with no clear agenda or objective. NATO spokesman Jamie Shea has since stated that NATO seeks diplomatic ends to the crisis, an attitude which has fallen under criticism in light of Milosevic's disregard for previous diplomatic solutions. N A T O seeks the right of self-determination for all nations of the Balkans, while Milosevic seeks Serbian nationalistic ends.

Others have expressed concerns of a breech of National and International Law. If NATO has indeed broken International Law by bypassing UN approval, are we justified in our actions? And are we participating in hypocrisy by violating the human rights of Yugoslavians while defending the rights of the Kosovars?

Still others question whether the matter is of any national interest, and if it is not, why should we be involved? What does the plight of the Muslim in eastern Europe have to do with the United States? And if we should come to a conclusion, how many years of involvement must we devote to keeping the peace and making sure that the nations of the Balkans are secure and stable?

I don't have any quick answers to offer anyone, and the more I learn, the less sure I grow of what to think. But I am sure that awareness is all-important. As hard as it may be to keep up with current events, these are our world, and as time passes, our own lives will become more deeply involved.



A young refugee at a NATO run refugee camp carries water and a U.S. Military packaged meal. Opinions

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# U.S. responsibility to aid Albanian Kosovars

## Jose J. Melendez

Crusader Staff Opinions Writer

It is in our direct national interest as well as our moral responsibility as humanitarians to aid in the resolution of the displacement and slaughter of ethnic Albanian Kosovars.

The United States and the world realized several things after WW II. The first of these was not to appease aggressors, and the second, not to remain isolationist. The first lesson was learned directly from Hitler. The second lesson, especially learned by the United States, was that the world has become a much smaller place and that several thousand miles of oceanic separation do not exclude the U. S. from the effects of a world war.

Today, we apply what we have learned. We make sure we are involved in those matters that

could potentially have an impact t on us, and that means opposing t an aggressor that threatens to massacre and/or expel several million ethnic Albanians in the name of Serbian nationalism.

As President Clinton indicated in one of his earliest addresses concerning the matter, Yugoslavia (or what remains of it) directly began the first World War, and the Balkan region was among the first to feel the pressures of fascist Germany and Italy during the second. The area is undoubtedly a territory that concerns the United States; anything that occurs in Europe is of American concern. Not only the area's history, but its explosive nature combined with its territorial ties, demands American attention.

World wars, as they have been seen by the 20th century, have been started by puny countries with big brothers. Preven-

tion of escalation is a profession that the U.S. has been engaged in since the end of WW II. The lo-

The displacement of 900,000 people and the massacre of who knows how many more is not something to be overlooked by the world's leading and wealthiest democracy.

cation of the current dilemma and the individual behind it, Slobodan

Milosevic, hold enough weight to make it a NATO-worthy concern and therefore and American problem.

However, "national interest" is too vague and impersonal to be the main reason why we are involved. Surely our involvement includes some moral or humanitarian efforts. I agree that the thought of helping oppressed individuals is much more persuasive and justifiable when contemplating the idea of risking American lives on foreign soil. I often think about what forces acted to allow me to be an American student writing an article for the school newspaper at this moment rather than in a remote Kosovo village with my forehead, nose, and lips crushed into the pavement of the street by the butt of a rifle. Human rights issues have been an increasingly more important sub-American the ject on

government's agenda (and rightly so!) and the problems in Kosovo are clearly a violation of these. The displacement of 900,000 people and the massacre of who knows how many more, is not something to be overlooked by the world's leading and wealthiest democracy. Despite our unfortunate un-involvement in places such as Rwanda, we are currently involved in Kosovo and should engage in whatever means necessary to bring this conflict to resolution. Our goal now is to stop the atrocities committed by Milosevic by winning this "war." If it involves troops, so be it. If it involves my being drafted, so be it.

The United States should be involved in the conflict in Kosovo. It is both in the direct and national interest to our own security, and our duty and responsibility to protect those that we can.

# Your Turn

Random answers from random people on random issues

"Do you believe NATO should be involved in the conflict in Kosovo?"

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L. Kent Rudeen Senior Graphic Arts Albany, OR

"I think they should be. I mean, they're raping people over there. I'd be willing to give up my life to stop someone from raping someone else.



Daniel Wilcott Freshman Church Music St. Maries, ID

"Yes I do. I don't believe the Serbs should have the right to be attacking and go into another country and take control of it."



Opey Freedle Sophomore History Ed. Myrtle Point,OR

" I'm skeptical about our involvement. The Albanians have been raping the Serbs for generation and if the Albanians were on the top then we'd be delivering guns to the Serbs.



April Supina Junior Speech Com. Battleground, WA

"I do, because if people look at the circumstances in Kosovo it's very similar to what happened in Germany. Overall, I think what NATO's doing is a good thing.

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# Unmotivated? You're hired!

#### By Jim Everist

#### Crusader Staff Opinions Writer

As is common for this time of year, roadwork is everywhere you look in the Treasure Valley. Almost every road has a crew on it with shovels, big equipment and orange outfits. Between swerving through the big orange cones and preparing to stop, it is inevitable that we have all come into contact with this at one time or another.

It wasn't until recently that I realized what a job opportunity this really is. Here is a job that pays well, gives you a lovely outfit and doesn't require you to work the majority of the time. To be honest, I don't have great advice on how to actually get a job like this, but I do have an idea of what it entails.

I imagine that there is some sort of training school that the applicants must go through. My guess is that the first day is spent in learning how to talk with a walkie talkie. This is the basic training where they teach the students things to listen for like, "I'm turning my sign to stop, so you turn yours to slow." This obviously deals with a great deal of communication theory but is included at no extra charge.

After this, the students must learn to point where to go while holding a slow sign. They are told that even though there are cones prohibiting drivers from going any other possible direction, it is still vital for them to point between the cones in a back and forth motion. This is without a doubt done so that drivers won't mistakenly get the idea that they are supposed to try to slalom their way through the cones.

Once the first two days are completed, the students move on to more precise skills. These include taping a pipe to the stop sign so that the roadworker doesn't have to actually hold it up, staying out of the way of the steamroller and remembering that if he can read the word "stop," the drivers are seeing a totally different word. It is at this point that many road workers find themselves wondering if all of this studying is really worth it.

Should one have the guts to stick it out, all that is left is to pass the test. This can be the tricky part of the course. It is here that the student needs to come to grasp the way the system really works. The student will encounter questions such as, "How could you justify the use of fifteen workers for the filling of a single pothole?" Another example might be, "How many people should be working at any one time?" Creativity is the key to getting the positive mark necessary for passing the test.

After this step is completed, the student is then free to apply for a job. This involves some sort of an application process which is similar to the verbal method known as, "Uh, you gotta job for me?" The supervisors then look over the applications to find the select breed of individual that they feel can successfully stand around with many others while watching one person work. After selection by the supervisor, the job begins.

I write this as a help to those who are struggling with what they should do with the rest of their lives. If you find yourself feeling that college is just too much work, this is a possibility for you. If you like orange, but don't like the idea of prison, this is a possibility for you. Or perhaps you are just tired of watching grass grow and would prefer instead to watch cars go by. Whatever your situation may be, working as a skilled member of the highway district may be all you really need to find yourself caught in the middle of a promising career.

#### Staff Infection

...I did not say the BA word like some people we know...That's why it's good, because it IS stupid...Of course, they love Americans so they tell these beastly ugly people that they're beautiful...Oh that bites the freaking big one!....I love bricks...Never Been Kissed has the Mary Kay LaTourneau thing going on...You would not believe how in love I was with Paul McCartney and he's like what, 57 now?....When he turns 64 I'm going to have a huge party....eight track, my brother and I used to play it over and over and over....For reals, I love the smell of manure....Dog crap and manure smell different!!!

# NATO bombings aid in genocide, Milosevic regime

### By David Stillman

Crusader Staff Opinions Writer

The leaders of NATO have been bombing Yugoslavia for almost three weeks to put an end to Serb atrocities in Bosnia. If this fails, they will pound its army until it can no longer wage war in Kosovo. In the process, they also hope to weaken Serb leader Slodabon Milosovic's hold on power.

They will fail on all three counts.

Outside force will never halt Serb atrocities. They will only stop when the Serbian people decide that they should stop. There is nothing that NATO can do to keep the Serbs from killing the ethnic Albanians because they see the crisis in Kosovo as an issue of ethnic survival.

This is, in part, due to Milosevic's use of Kosovo as a stepping stool to national prominence. "Milosevic has gone from obscurity to dictatorship on the strength of one issue – persecution of Serbs in Kosovo," reads an article of National Geographic written in 1990. Even then, Milosevic was using state control of the press to harness Serb fears.

"In Belgrade, with its rigidly controlled press and no one to tell them that Albanians are not raping Serbian women every week, people believe the most gruesome accounts [of Albanian violence]." the article explains. "Consequently, the Serbian-controlled militia wreaks vengeance in Kosovo, as if acting out a timehonored vendetta."

After the war in Bosnia, some Serbs began to see through the web of propaganda, and in late 1996 and 1997, thousands of Serbs gathered in the Yugoslav capital of Belgrade to demand Milosevic's resignation after the war in Bosnia. They failed, but their protests are a sign of Serbian opposition to Milosevic's policies.

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All that changed the moment the bombs started falling. "I have to support Milosevic now," one Serb told the New York Times, "All the protests are now absolutely unimportant because the West is soon to bomb my country. This will only make Milosevic stronger."

"We have nothing to do," said Ivan Vujacic, former opposition figure in the federal Parliament, "Nowhere in the world has an opposition party, even in a democratic country, won anything during a time of war."

There is an alternative solution to bombing. That is to assure the Serbs that they will be protected. We need to assure them that the atrocities they have been committing will not be returned in kind.

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Does this make the genocide any less horrible? Does this excuse it? I don't believe so. Most Serbs believe that their country is simply taking a hard-line stance against the KLA (Kosovo Liberation Army). They don't believe Western "lies" about the attrocities their soldiers are committing.

By keeping Serb interests in mind, NATO can tap the Serb's sense of "self preservation" that has kept Milosevic in power for a decade. The peace accords which the Serbs refused in March contained nothing guaranteeing the safety of Serbs in Kosovo. It instead demanded that the Serbs allow NATO troops to keep the peace in Kosovo. This, in the eyes of the Serbs, amounts to a foreign invasion.

Now that bombs have dropped, the Serbs would never believe such guarantees of safety – from NATO. However, they would probably believe Russia. If Russia can somehow step in and stop the NATO "invaders" in exchange for peace in Kosovo, the problems could be solved without another bomb being dropped.

This would put a stop to the genocide and give Serb opposition forces a chance to recover and harness Serb outrage when they realize that Milosevic had waged another genocidal war in their name.



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### Opinions

# Never Been Kissed enjoyed by most, disturbing to few

With a Strawbanna Zuka Juice in my stomach and six of the best girls on NNC's campus with me, I figured I was set to enjoy what has been pre-deemed

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a classic chick flick, *Never Been Kissed*, starring and directed by Drew Barrymore. The movie was released on April 9th, and has been called a coming-of-age movie with a unique twist.

The movie's basic storyline is that the main character, Josie (played by Barrymore) reenters high school at the age of 25 to do an undercover story on the issues of high school students in 1999 for the newspaper she is currently working for as a copy edi-

tor. Even at this seven-years out of high school stage, Josie retains much of the awkwardness that made her first time through high school a humiliating experience. Her reappearance into the adolescent world is anything but smooth. After painful attempts to fit in with the popular crowd, she settles in with the brainier kids, those who she fit in with during her own years at high

school. As the movie progresses, Josie (with the help of her socially inclined older brother, Rob, played by David Arquette), eventually moves out of her calculator/pro-



tractor group of friends and is accepted into the popular crowd. To make the cliche complete, she is named queen at her high school prom and dances the first dance with the most popular boy in school (played by Jeremy Jordan).

Barrymore turns out a great performance as Josie. Her awkardness is so real that it is almost painful to watch, and after seeing Barrymore calm and collected in *Ever After*, and completely loveable in *The Wedding Singer*, it is a real credit to her acting abilities to be able to pull

off this role. Another person to watch for in the flick is Aldys, one of Josie's brainy friends, played by Leelee Sobieski.

Unfortunately, and this is the real clincher that made this movie leave a funny feeling in my stomach, Josie develops a romance with her English teacher (portrayed quite well by Michael Vartan) while playing the part of a high school student. Had the high school teacher been fully aware of the fact that she was twenty-five, perhaps it would have made me feel

better. But he DIDN'T. All he knew was that she was a very bright 17-year old girl who he found himself attracted to. What's worse, in a few scenes that some might consider heart-warming, he acted upon this attraction by establishing a relationship with her that far surpassed the studentteacher boundaries. There is one point in the movie where the in-

appropriate nature of the relationship was actually called on by Josie's editor, but it was brushed under the rug, ignored, and portrayed as a betrayal of the



teacher's trust. I don't know about any of your personal experiences with this issue, but I went to a high school where a teacher actually had an inappropriate relationship with one of his students. It was not just another set of circumstances where "love conquers all," it was WRONG. The fact that Never Been Kissed gave the indication that it could be okay is disturbing to say the least.

However, as a balance to this message, the movie also provides a scene where Rob is approached by an intoxicated 17-year-old girl who tells him that he is the one she wants to give her virginity to. Recognizing the seriousness of the situation, he gently turns her down. Even though the scene is very short, it provided a muchneeded statement on the seriousness of underage relationships and the responsibility that needs to be taken on the part of the adult.

The movie has a lot of really funny scenes and the emotional depth needed to carry out the sometimes painful aspects of adolescence (even imitated adolescence). It will probably be enjoyed by most who come to see it. Out of seven girls, I was the only one who didn't like it. It's a new twist to the old story of the uglyduckling-turned-swan, and one that can be very enjoyable on the surface. However, if you have the tendency (as I do) to dig down past what is pleasing to the eye, Never Been Kissed is probably not the movie for you.

# Keanu Reeves rises to occasion in The Matrix

I haven't seen a movie that was rated "R" for two years, and was reluctant to go see one again. The first invite that I received to watch Matrix, I refused to go and ended up watching Waterboy instead, a movie in which the Fonz had to

stoop to showing his behind to the general public. At last, I gave in after receiving a couple of recommendations from two trustworthy people. They told me that the rating was due to violence, and I thought, "Oh great! I'll just hear the 'F' word a million times!" If I was incredibly disgusted, I decided that I could just walk out of the theatre. I ended up having a fabulous evening and only covered my eyes a couple of times. The movie may have been violent, but it was not horrendously gory. It contained little cursing, and there were absolutely no sex scenes. Keanu Reeves has finally

found himself a suitable character in the acting business. Quite surprisingly, he did a smashing job in this science fiction/action flick! Living two lives, one as an employee at a prestigious software company and another as a computer hacker, he discovers a man who can show him the answer to his question, "What is the Matrix?" Neo (Reeves) decides to join Morpheus (Laurence Fishburne) and Trinity (Carrie Ann Moss) to fight against the cyber-intelligence that has taken over the earth.

This movie is great for a diverse audience. The persons who are addicted to video games rave about the graphics and fight scenes. Those who enjoy religion and/or philosophy pick out the religious connotations and influence of postmodern thought. The moviegoers who like a little suspense find themselves at the edge of their seat, ready to wet their pants.

The Matrix has sparked the attention of tons of Americans and has been given rave reviews from all who have seen it. The fast-paced action accompanied by an incredible soundtrack and outstanding graphics have propelled science fiction movies to a new level. Performing groups such as



Rage against the Machine, Rammstein, Prodigy, and Rob Zombie creates a night of pulsepounding excitement.

Unfortunately, no one can be told what the Matrix is. You have to see it for yourself. I highly recommend the movie, just be sure to get your tickets in advance, they sell out quickly. I was with a group who arrived at Edwards, hoping to see the 9:00 showing and couldn't get tickets until the 10:45. Luckily, there are fun stores and great coffee shops to hang out in that will help to pass the time quickly.

# Crusader Reviews

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# Tennis team has a few disappointing weeks

by Brandi Blacklock Crusader News Staff Writer

The Lady Sader Tennis team went on a roadtrip to the Portland area in the beginning of third term. The team departed on Wednesday, March 31, sacrificing classes during the first week of third term to face three opponents. They faced off against Lewis and Clark College on Thursday, April 1, George Fox University on Friday, April 2, and Linfield College on Saturday, April 3.

The match against Lewis and Clark College got the 'Saders off to a rocky start. As a whole, LC's team showed fine precision of skill and strategy. Kristen Crawford and Stacia Hinson lost 0-8 in first doubles. The trend continued as Sara Hamilton and Brandi Blacklock lost 1-8 in second doubles.

NNC's only hope for a doubles victory rested on the shoulders of Keri Barnes and Beth Nixon in third doubles. Unfortunately, after being up 6-1, the duo ended up losing 8-9 in a tiebreaker. After the turnaround match, a discouraged Barnes mustered a smile and stated, "I'd rather have salt poured in open wounds than lose a match like that again.'

The teams then proceeded to singles, where NNC struggled just as much. Kristen Crawford put up a valiant effort but lost 0-6, 2-6. Betsy Smith and Stacia Hinson also lost their matches 1-6, 2-6 and 1-6, 1-6, respectively. Brandi Blacklock, Sara Hamilton and Jenny Kung also fell short in their matches. After the match, Coach Cook stated, "Lewis and Clark's top four were extremely tough. As a result, it gave their entire team



Kung's poser serve through the-fence.

good depth. They were a good team."

The team soon forgot its defeat as they faced George Fox University on Friday afternoon with a new sense of determination. In doubles, Crawford and Hinson worked for an 8-4 victory. In retrospect, Hinson shared, "We just did everything right. We played aggressive and had the confidence to pull it out."

The Hamilton-Blacklock duo also won 8-6 and demonstrated good teamwork and mental toughness. Barnes and Nixon played the match of the season and easily put their opponents to rest with an 8-2 win. After the match Nixon shared, "It was great to have my family watch me for the first time ever. People seemed to have stepped it up a little too."

Shortly after the doubles matches, the singles matches were

open wounds

underway. Four of the six completed their matches, but number three Hinson and number four Blacklock were forced off the courts due to a downpour of Forturain. nately. Hamilton

and Kung sealed the 'Sader victory with their 6-0, 6-0 and 6-0, 6-1 respective victories in fifth and sixth singles. After her blowout, Kung said, "I felt like I was in control in my match...with the help of my lucky gerbil."

Crawford and Smith lost in the number one and two positions with scores of 3-6, 2-6 and 5-7, 2-6. The team was elated with the victory and encouraged by the

confidence each person played with. Coach Cook was satisfied with the results. When asked what the difference between this match and the previous day's match, he stated that, "The entire team walked on the courts with a different sense of confidence which made a big difference in how we played. I want us to walk into every match that way."

The team rested up and hit the courts of Linfield College bright and early Saturday morning. Due to some rainy Oregon weather, the teams began doubles in an indoor facility with an unusual multi-purpose floor. Because of this floor, tennis balls moved much faster

than normal, making timing an important factor. Due to the difficulty of being flexible and having to adjust to the unexpected court conditions, the NNC team failed to nail down a victory in doubles.

Crawford and Hinson lost 1-8, Hamilton and Blacklock were defeated 2-8, and Barnes and Nixon resigned their match with a score of 1-8.

In singles, NNC made several tremendous efforts, but all fell short except for one. Hamilton pulled out a 7-5,

6-2 victory in the fourth "I'd rather have singles position. She salt poured in shared about her match, "I than lose a match felt more confident like that again." and mentally strong ~Keri Barnes in match.

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still want to keep improving, though."

Crawford played a great first singles match, but lost 4-6, 6-7. Smith lost her second singles 0-6, 0-6. Hinson played her best match of the season, but in the end was outdone by a consistent powerhitter with a score of 4-6, 2-6. Kung and Barnes were defeated in their fifth and sixth singles matches with scores of 0-6, 0-6 and 0-6, 4-6. Despite her loss, Barnes gave a respectable showing, complete with a dive onto the court.

The team was defeated overall and Coach Cook stated, "I was very happy with singles. Sara played her best match of the year and Kristen and Stacia put forth their best efforts of the season."

On Tuesday, April 5, the tennis team faced off against Albertson's College of Idaho in its last home match. The match began with doubles. Of the three doubles duos for NNC, only the Crawford-Hinson team managed to scrape up a victory. The two girls played against their opponents with confidence and placed their shots consistently and stra-



Sophomore Keri Barnes awaits the serve during her doubles match at Lewis and Clark College. Barnes' doubles partner is sophomore Beth Nixon.

tegically on the court.

### The number two and three doubles teams lost to the persistent efforts of the 'Yotes. Hamilton and Blacklock were up in their match with three opportunities to close the score to 5-2. They were unsuccessful in their attempts however, and lost the games, forcing the score to 4-3. Here the match took a turn for the worse. ACI finished off the match 8-5. Barnes and Nixon were also unsuccessful in their efforts to lay their opponents to rest.

After doubles, the team dispersed and moved directly into singles. Once again, Crawford emerged victoriously with the win in first singles. Crawford played strongly and took control of most of the points. She was very pleased with how she played.

Smith fell victim in two sets to the consistent shots of her opponent in second singles. Hamilton was also defeated in two long sets in the fourth singles spot despite the tremendous effort she put up.

Three pivotal matches were left in progress. Hinson in third singles, Blacklock in fifth singles and Kung in sixth singles. All three of the matches needed to be won in order for the team to win the overall match. All of the players ended up splitting sets, requiring a long third set to be played. After a great effort Kung was defeated in the third, as was Blacklock. Hinson finished the match, defeated 3-6 in the third set.

This unfortunately translated into another loss for the Saders, but it is not as bitter as other losses. The team put up a good effort. Everyone was competing at the level they should, and they have one more chance to reconcile this loss as they face off against ACI one last time on April 22.

The team is anticipating another weekend roadtrip coming up this Friday. They will travel to Seattle to face Evergreen State, University of Puget Sound and Seattle University.



Junior Sara Hamilton concentrates on connecting the ball to her racket. Hamilton lost her match at LC, but won at George Fox later that weekend.

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Sports

# Baseball team drops to 7-5 in conference

by Craig Craker Crusader News Staff Writer

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The NNC baseball team went on their Spring Break trip to California looking forward to a lot of fun in the sun, but they apparently forgot that they were there to play baseball. The team lost six of seven due to lots of traveling and



Jon Crozier was the weekend's star hurler, pitching nine innings and only giving up six hits.

lack of sleep during Spring Break. They came home to host East-

ern Oregon on Friday and then went to LaGrande, Oregon to play a double dip at Eastern. On Friday afternoon the 'Sader's starter Jon Crozier was simply irresistible, as he struck out seven of the first nine batters he faced, using a plethora of pitches. In the bottom

half of the first NNC came out and started things off with back-to-backto-back singles en route to crushing Eastern 9-3. Matt Onofrei, Barry Warren, and Ruben Barciaga had two hits apiece, as NNC

rolled. The next day at Eastern, NNC swept the double header and found themselves at 7-2 in the conference, tied for second with Western Oregon who they would host the coming weekend.

Jon Crozier once again found himself in a pitcher's duel, as it was 0-0 into the sixth inning when Western scored an unearned run to take a 1-0 lead. Western then got another run in the top of the seventh to take a 2-0 lead. In the 'Sader's bottom half of the inning they got their only run as Barry Warren dropped a bomb to straight away center.

With the loss NNC fell to 7-3 in the conference, badly needing two wins to catch front runner Albertson. Crozier ended up pitching nine innings striking out 11 and giving up six hits.

In the double header NNC failed to do the little things as they were swept in two close ones, 4-1 and 5-3. Zack Deboi pitched in the opener of the twin bill and went seven innings, giving up four earned runs on six hits while striking out 11. Jason LaMont went 2-3, while the killer for Western Oregon was a 2-run shot in the fifth inning that put them up 2-0 and got the ball rolling against Deboi.

In the second game, Justin Schneidt pitched six innings, giving up four runs on six hits and had three strikeouts. Freshman Jacob St. Mary came into the game and gave up the game winning run in the seventh. LaMont finished 3-8 in the doubleheader; Warren added a double in the second game



Ruben Burciaga looks for the ball during one of this weekend's games.

ence, while Western is 9-3 and Albertsons is 11-0, leaving us four half games behind Albertson now.

NNC plays at home on Tuesday and this coming weekend on Friday and Saturday.

NNC is now 7-5 in the confer-

# women's soccer team hosts scrimmage

by Robin Day

Sports Editor

This past weekend the women's soccer team staged a seven-vs-seven tournament in conjunction with the BSU soccer program. Five teams attended, including NNC.

The tournament was set up to allow each team six players on the field and one keeper. Games were played on a small field, which

meant that the keepers couldn't punt. Referees were supposed to be at the tournament, but due to ome scheduling problems, they did not show at the last minute. This meant that players called their own fouls and the games had more of a streetball than tournament quality.

Winners of each game recieved three points, while losers recieved none. Each game lasted 30 minutes. If at the end of the 30 minutes, the score was tied, each team forfeited one player every minute until someone scored.

The 'Saders started off playing against BSU, the team who eventually won the tournament. It took the Crusaders awhile to begin playing together and they lost their first game.

It did not set the team back for long as they went on through the course of the day, winning two games against the Ricks College lot of strong returners and the

team and dropping one to the Idaho Falls club team and one to the Les Bois club team, each by one run

NNC didn't end up winning their tournament, but they did have a wonderful time on the field. "It was good for us to be back out on the field together again," said Jamie Swanson.

Denise Thuline commented, "We played pretty well. We had a more we play with each other, the better it is going to get. We do have things to work out, but we should have a good season next year if this is any indication."

"The tournament was a good assessment tool of where we are, "said Melanie Hayes. "It was good for us to be back playing on the field.'

NNC's women's soccer team is practicing once a week in preparation for next season.

# Fencing puts on successful USFA tournament

### by Heather Oglevie Crusader News Guest Writer

It is mid-afternoon and the Montgomery Fieldhouse's east balcony is alive with white-clad bodies. I am one of those bodies. My opponent faces me a short distance away, faceless and menacing; I can see him through the black mesh of my own mask. I raise my weapon threateningly-no response. I begin my advance, gliding in close enough to make the kill, when he suddenly surges. forward. In two strokes he has beaten my blade out of the way and driven his own towards my unprotected flesh. I try to get away, but he is coming after me and somehow evades every defense I throw at him. With a swift motion he whips his blade around my last attempt to parry and drives it home just below my throat. I am done for.

A calm voice announces "15-4, bout." Sighing, I remove my mask

and raise my blade to salute my opponent, who has just advanced to the next round in the tournament. I take my seat on the bench to cheer on my teammates and wait to see the results. I am out of the tournament, but perhaps someone else will do better.

Last Saturday, April 10, the NNC Fencing Club hosted its first United States Fencing Associationn (USFA) tournament, a tournament attended by sixteen fencers from at least three different fencing organizations. Four members of our own club attended, as well as members from the Salle of Boise, a club based in the Boise West YMCA who brought down a good deal of fencing equipment. (The NNC FC is in the process of buying its own electric fencing gear, but due to shipping problems it had not arrived in time for the tournament). The acting president of the Salle of Boise could not attend, but sent as a replacement a formidable fencer by the name of Max Callao to observe and to help us with the technicalities of hosting a fencing tournament. Also down from his job at the INEEL was NNC alumnus Evan Hales, the original founder of the NNC club.

Because sixteen members were present, the club could award USFA ratings to the four top fencers--three "E" ratings and one "D." Hales and two of our own fencers, Ruth Gleason, and the newcomer Brad Breuer made it to the final eight. Hales and Gleason were defeated in the next round, leaving the rest of the club to watch in tense anticipation as Breuer faced his opponent.

This was his first tournament, and, as he took on a fencer who had been fencing for years, he started to fall back. But suddenly he rallied and came up from behind, winning the bout and advancing to the final four amidst wild applause from the NNC fencers

After a short rest, Breuer faced his final opponent in a fastand-furious duel for first place. The two foils became streaks of silver as they clashed jarringly on each other as each man tried to force his way in for the point. It was an incredibly fast style of fencing that required tremendous amounts of energy from the two fencers who now had every right to be tired--but they never slowed.

The amount of skill and speed displayed was phenomenal on both parts, but eventually Breuer was defeated, earning both the silver medal and a USFA rating in his very first tournament. His fellow club members were thrilled and just a tiny bit jealous, and all the participants concluded that our first tournament had been a suc-

The NNC FC is considering hosting another tournament in May (times will be posted), and you, the student body, are invited to come experience one of your college's more unique sports in action. In addition, the club always welcomes new people who wish to learn more about this dramatic and challenging discipline. The club generally meets in the gazebo while the weather is nice or on the east balcony of the gym during poor weather. The schedule of practice times is Tuesday 5:15-6:30pm, Thursday 6:00-7:00pm, and Saturday 1:30-3:00pm. Please feel free to contact PR Officer Ruth Gleason at 8508 or myself at 8241 with any questions or comments.

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# An important warning for people on Florida beaches around with swimming trunks ologically incapable of simply ig-

Vacation season is approaching, so today I want to issue a Travel Warning to help you avoid a menace that could completely ruin your vacation: bosoms.

This menace was brought to my attention by a recent letter to my newspaper, The Miami Herald (motto: "Keep Looking! It's Somewhere In Your Yard!"). This letter was written by the Rev. Keith A. Marvel of Wilmington, Del. He states

"Three friends and I recently visited Miami to get in a little Florida sunshine and some golf. Our four-day stay was a bit of a shock.

"First we thought maybe we landed in another country when we walked to a beach - marked for our hotel's guests only - only to find topless women sunbathers.

"As Christian men, we are taught to flee this type of thing, which is hard in Miami since it seemed that this type of immorality was nearly everywhere.

"Then, the clincher came at 7 p.m. Saturday night when we went to get dinner and came back to find our car, which was 'booted' by a company."

After describing his group's unsuc-

cessful efforts to protest the \$25 parking fine, the Rev. Marvel states: "I hope that the city of Miami Beach would do something about this ordinance and topless sunbathing. If not, maybe you should warn tourists before they spend their hardearned money on a trip to Miami."

First, by way of sincere apology, let me state, on behalf of all of the citizens of Miami and Miami Beach, who have unanimously elected me to speak for them, that the letters in "Keith A. Marvel" can be rearranged to spell "Hark! Evil Meat!"

Let me also state that the Rev. Marvel is correct: There are topless women sunbathers in Miami, although I think it's a stretch to say they're "nearly everywhere." I've lived in Miami for 13 years, and if it were infested with topless women, I definitely would have noticed. Also it would be mentioned on the TV news.

ANNOUNCER: What's our forecast, Bob?

WEATHER PERSON: Bill, I look for warmer temperatures and continued naked bosoms all over the place, so the public should remain indoors with duct tape over its eyes.



It's not as bad as that. But we do get our topless sunbathers. Most of them are tourists from Europe, which is known for being immoral. Europeans openly smoke cigarettes; they think nothing of toplessness. You cannot turn around in Europe without seeing a marble statue of a topless ancient Greek or Roman goddess the size of a Budweiser Clydesdale, expressing the ancient artistic concept: "I cannot find a marble brassiere in my size."

So European women often sunbathe topless. European men are also quite exposed. Apparently there was some huge mix-up over in Europe, whereby all the eye patches were mislabeled as men's bathing suits, the result being that European men at the beach often have nothing covering their Euros but a piece of fabric the size of a Cheez-It. Meanwhile, Europeans who injure 'heir eyes are stumbling

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over their heads.

On my fact-finding trips to Miami-area beaches, I've noticed that the Europeans don't seem to notice that they're almost naked. But the Americans definitely do. The American women are cool about it; they have developed the ability to look at things, such as a man's Euro region, via a Stealth Glance technique, so that you never actually catch them doing it. (They use a similar technique for scratching.) American men, on the other hand, are as subtle as a dog with its nose in another dog's butt. When an American man catches sight of a bosom, his head snaps toward it, his eyeballs lock onto it like missile radar, and a loud alarm goes off in his brain, similar to the one in submarine movies that goes "DIVE! DIVE! DIVE!", except it goes "BO-SOM! BOSOM! BOSOM!" As long as the man is within range of the bosom (12 miles) his head will remain pointed toward it and he will be unable to think about anything else; this is the primary cause of freighters running aground.

The point is that if a man, for example the Rev. Marvel, is on the same beach as a bosom, he is physinoring it. He has to look! And then of course he has to flee. This is why I am issuing the following warning to travelers: IF YOU COME TO THE MIAMI AREA, AND YOU GO TO THE BEACH, THERE IS A CHANCE YOU WILL SEE TOP-LESS SUNBATHERS. The Miami tourist bureau requests that you tell everybody you know about this warning and spread it on the Internet. The Orlando tourist bureau has also asked me to warn you that they have a bosom problem there, but the Miami bureau claims that most of the Orlando ones are artificial.

Let me conclude by thanking the Rev. Marvel for alerting the world to this danger. As a token of our appreciation, we will have the people who booted his car executed without trial. And we will make every effort to rid our community of decadent, hedonistic and degenerate activities. We'll start with golf.

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