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**THE YEAR IS
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The future belongs to a different kind of person. One who is uniquely prepared for what life brings. Most of us will find ourselves in jobs, positions, and occupations that didn't even exist when we entered college.

This was the year that Twitter took off and Facebook finally passed MySpace. We elected our first African-American President and the Alaskan Governor, Sarah Palin, became an instant superstar. NNU inaugurated its own new President, as David Alexander became NNU's twelfth person to serve in this leadership position. We watched them build a new science building on campus. It was the year that OJ finally went to jail. *Slumdog Millionaire* won the Oscar for Best Picture. NNU saw its first NCAA Division II National Champion in Ashley Puga as she took top honors in the Indoor 800-meters.

The memories we take with us from this year will shape us for the days that lie ahead. There will never be another year like this one. Each year has its own special mix of relationship and rigor. This yearbook captures a moment in time. It is but a chapter in an ongoing story.

The future belongs to a different kind of person. One who takes the experiences and memories of the past and uses them to help shape the days ahead.

—TIM MILBURN

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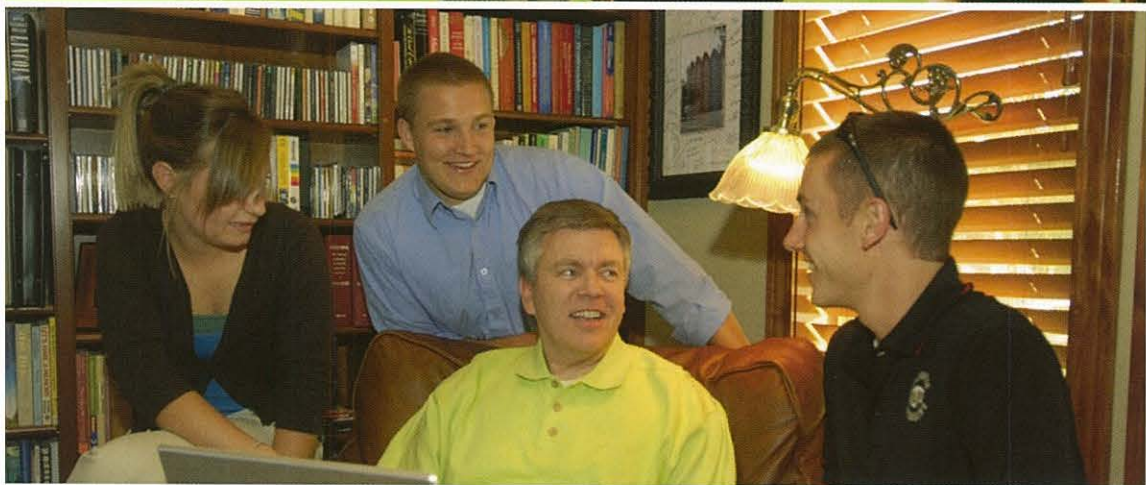
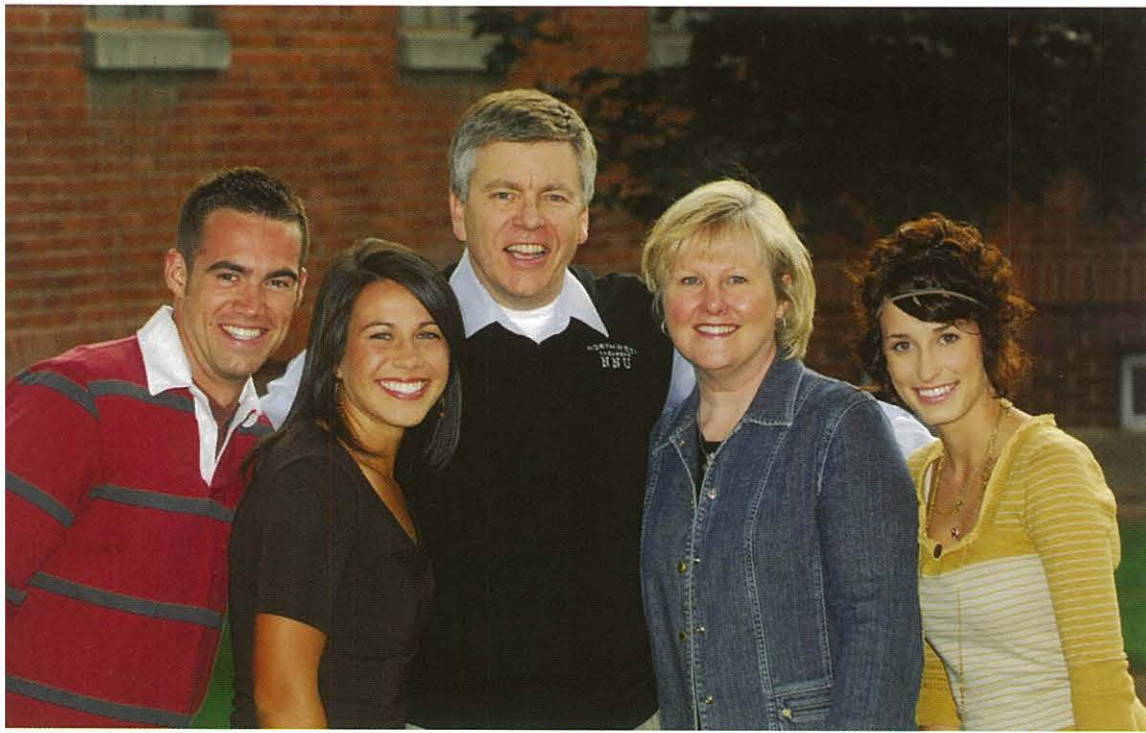
President Alexander & Cabinet

This year we had the privilege of welcoming a new President to the NNU family! There are many positive changes to come for the University, and when asked, "what are your expectations and goals for your presidency?" President Alexander's response was:

Institutions have chapters in their existence...oftentimes marked by tenure of presidents. During his tenure:

- (1) First and foremost, that we practice what we preach; seek to be Christ-like disciples, God's children, seek Him earnestly and fervently.
- (2) Secondly, help the institution continue its transition from college to university (programmatic/personnel) while holding true to what NNU is and to its mission and purpose.
- (3) Grow while keeping mission and purpose.





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Julie Au



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Carol Bett
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Shawn Blenker
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Dave Blowers





Nikki Bodenstab
Rachel Boutros
Terrie Bowen
Wendell Bowes
Darl Bruner
Sharon Bull



Kathryn Burns
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Kathy Bynum
Jan Cantrell
Terry Cantrell



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 Tim Gross
 Shirley Haidle
 Britton Hall



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 Kathy Hanson
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 Kevin Haydon
 Tim Hills



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 Barbara Howard
 Walden Hughes
 Chelsea Jahn
 Jan Jellerson
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 Eric Kellerer
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 Jennifer Knight
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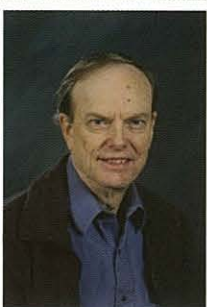
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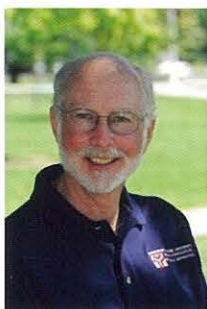


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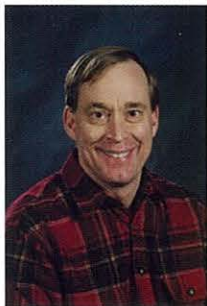


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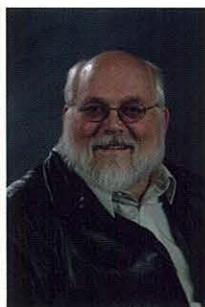
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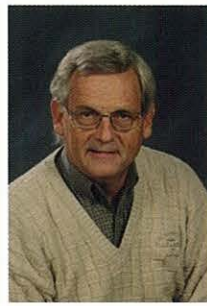
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“Cherish your past because it was your lesson for the future. Your accomplishments and goals only succeed your trials and tribulations.”

-Debbie McBride

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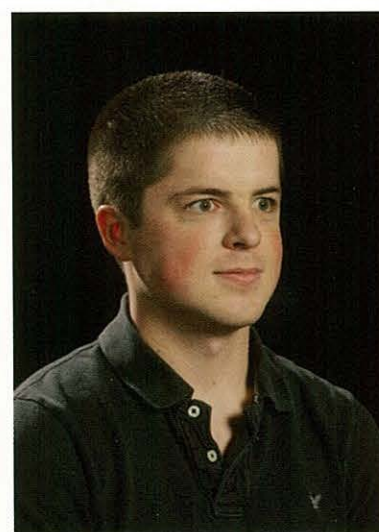
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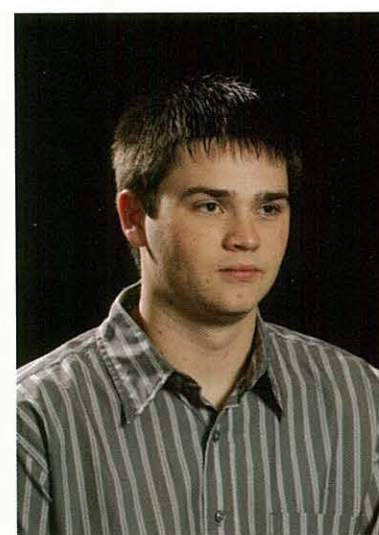
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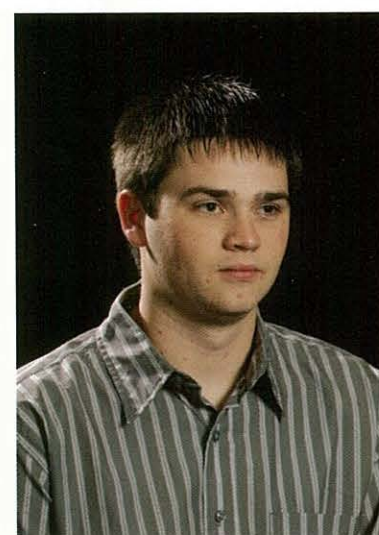


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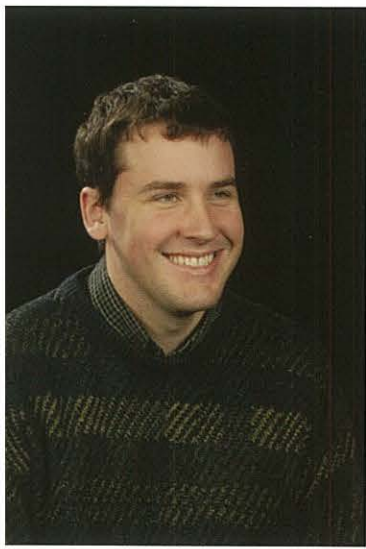


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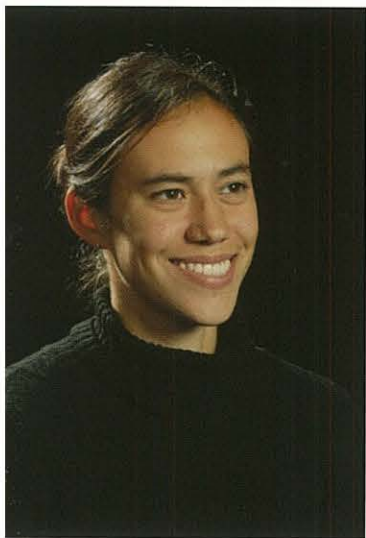
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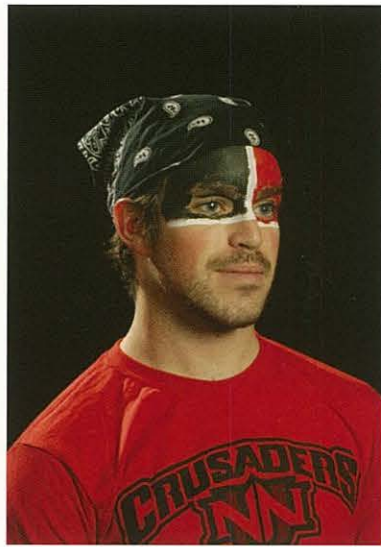
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“Be the change you wish to see in the world.” -Ghandi

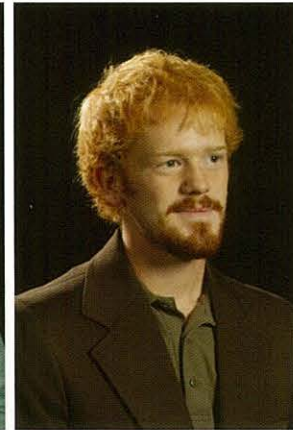
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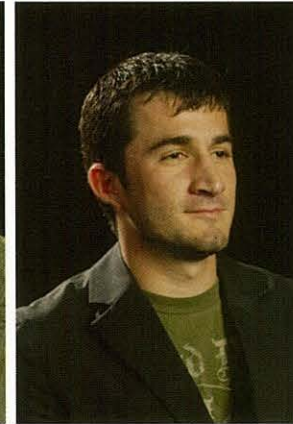
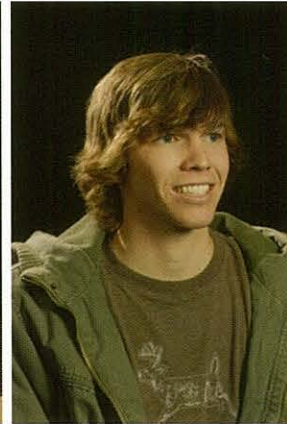
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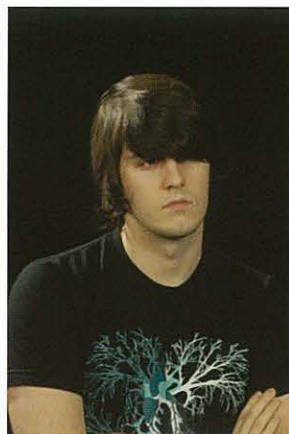


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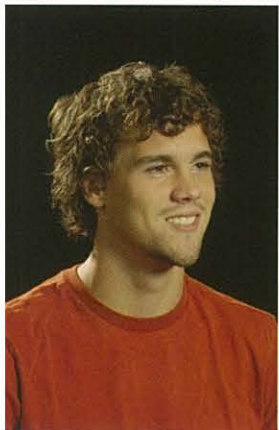




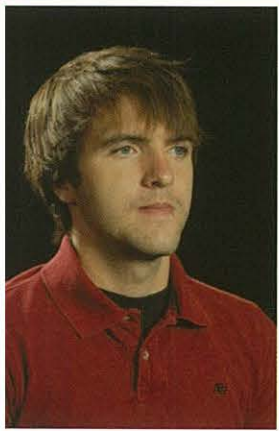
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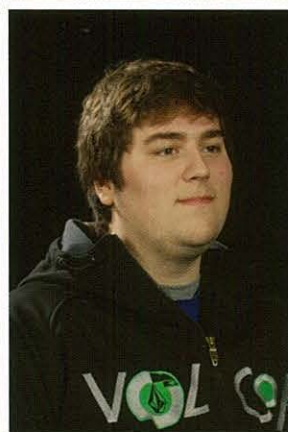
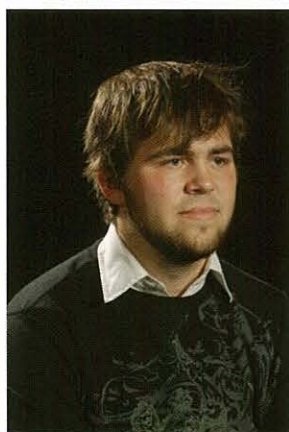
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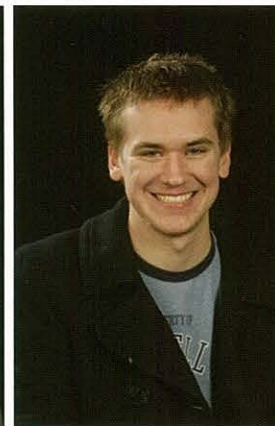
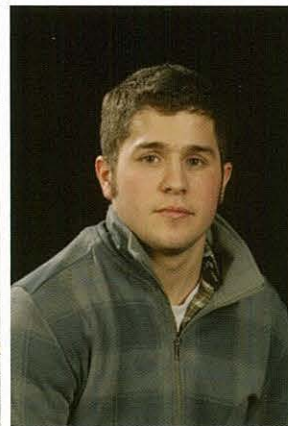
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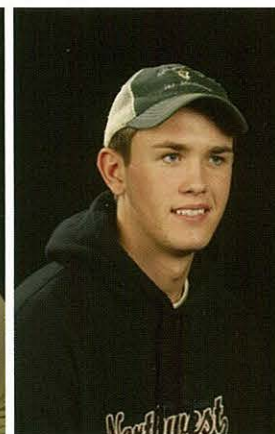
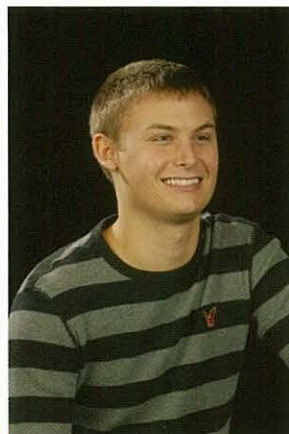
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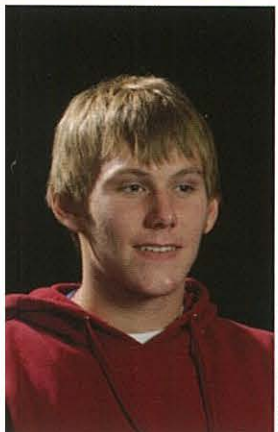
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“Risk-taking, trust, and serendipity are key ingredients of joy. Without risk, nothing new ever happens. Without trust, fear creeps in. Without serendipity, there are no surprises.”

-Rita Golden Gelman, The Way I See It #31, Starbucks Coffee Cup

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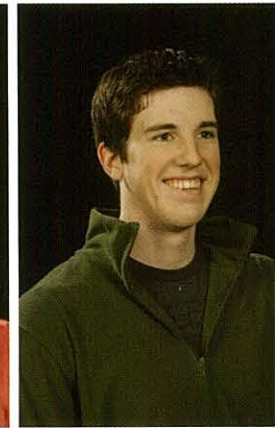
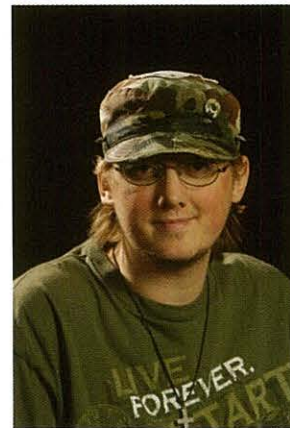
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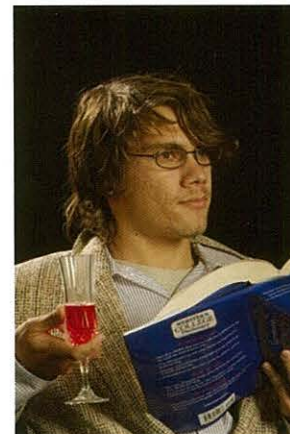
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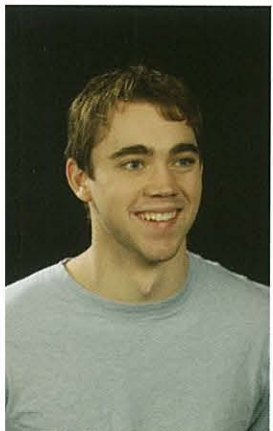


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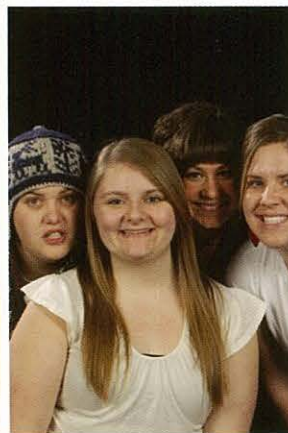


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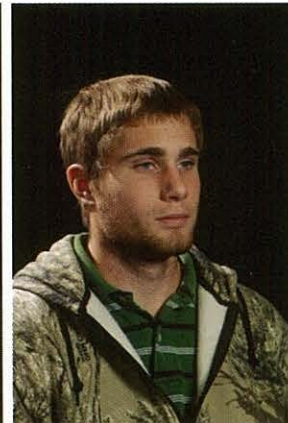
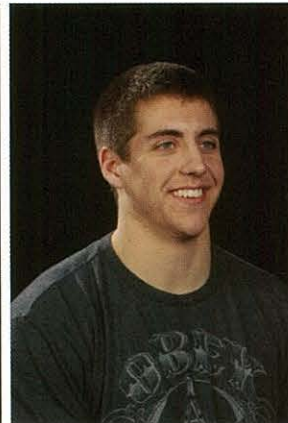


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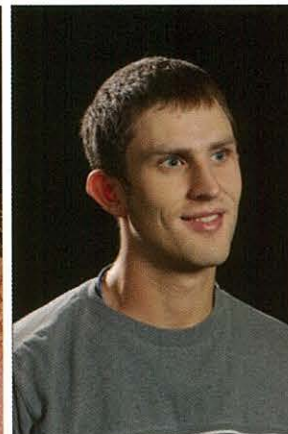


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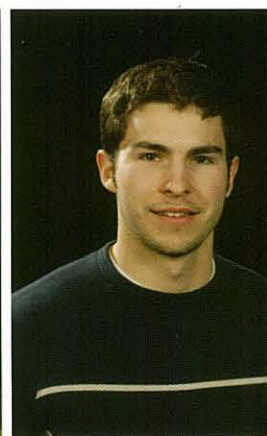
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Marie Smith

Edith Soria

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Chelsea Thompson

Katie Thompson

Troy Watters

Austin Williams





Craig Wolfe

Lisa York- Reinhardt

FRESHMEN

"Be practical as well as generous in your ideals. Keep your eyes on the stars, but remember to keep your feet on the ground."

-Theodore Roosevelt

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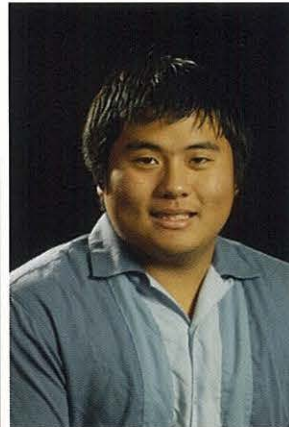
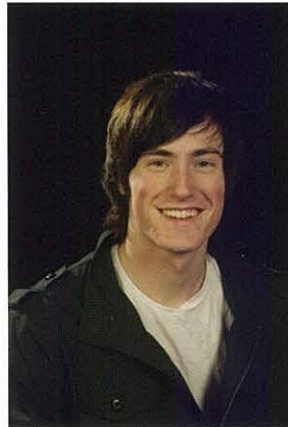


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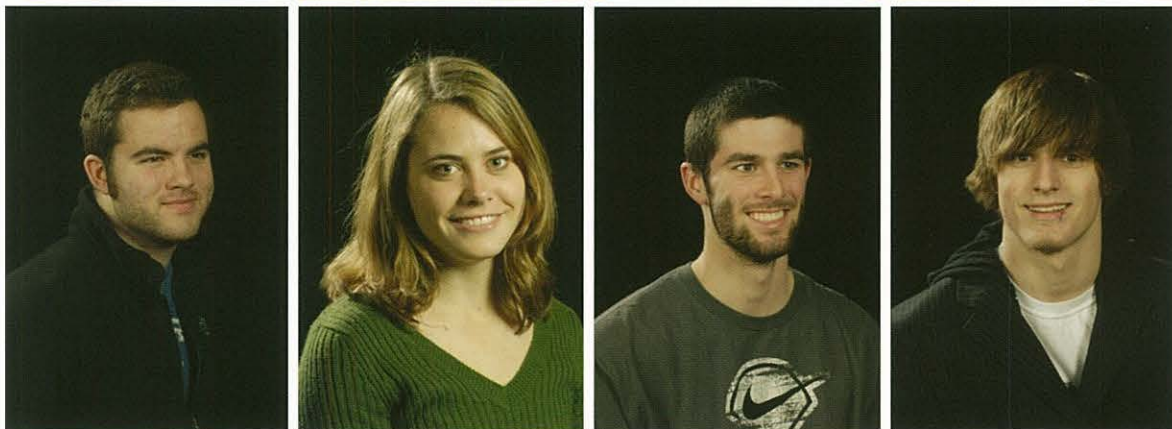
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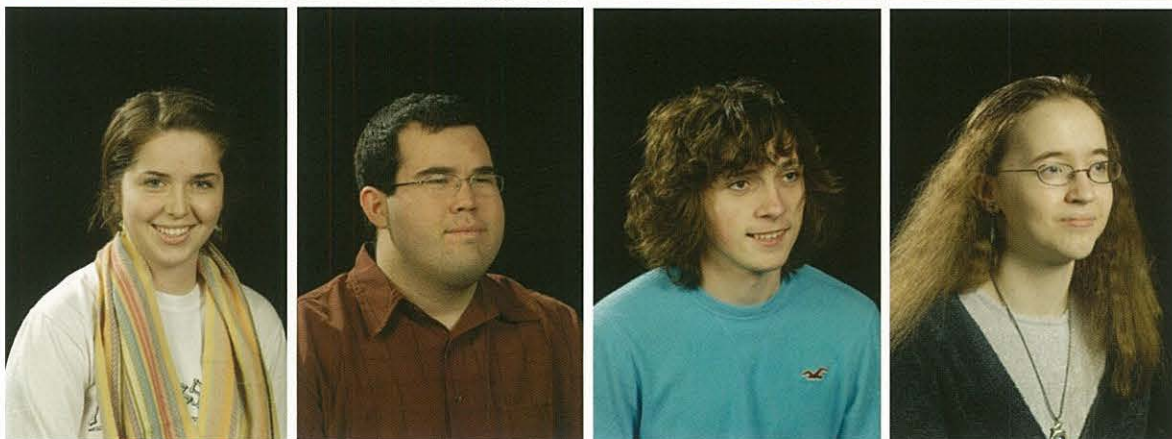
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Matthew Davis



Erin Diefenbach
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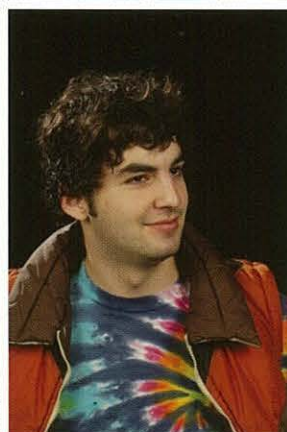
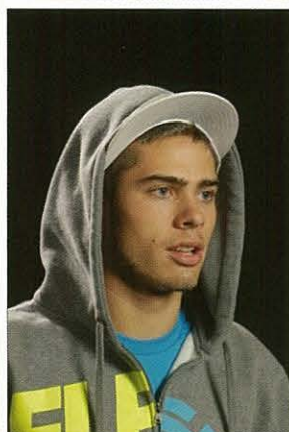


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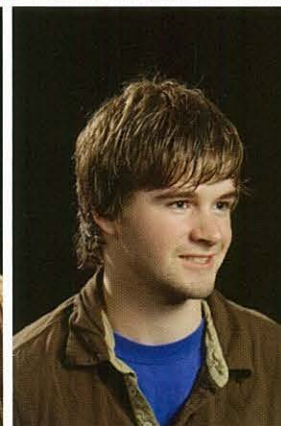


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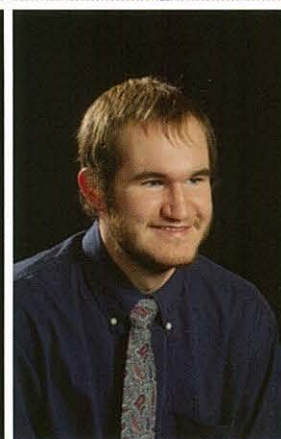
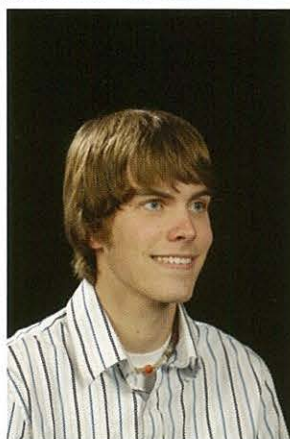


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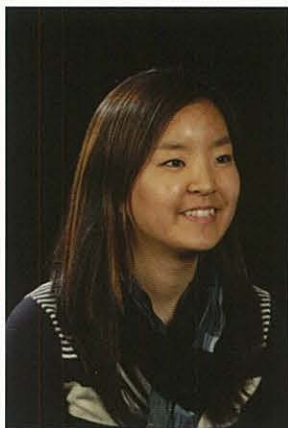
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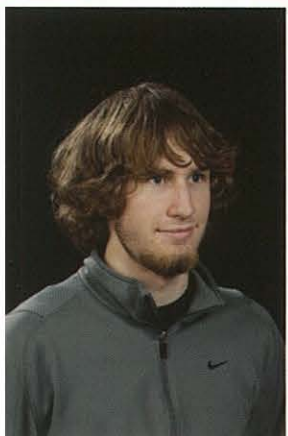
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Lindsay Lashelle
Kimberly Laslee



Kegan Lassiter
Sarah Lawer
Whitney Lee
Nathaniel Leslie

Dawn Linnell

Zachardy Lovell

Austin Manley

Nicole Marshaleck



Luke Massey

Bryce May

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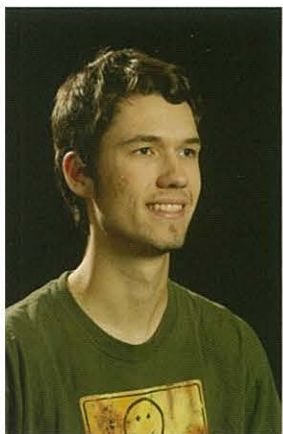
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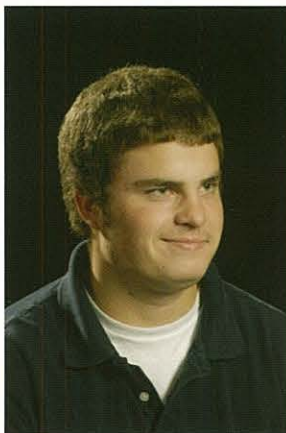


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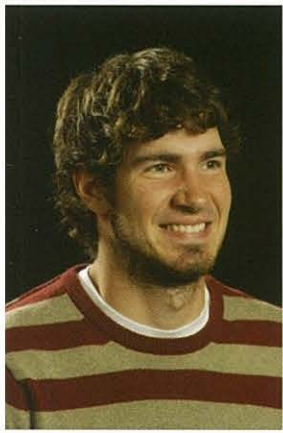


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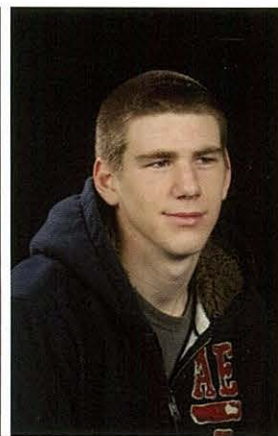
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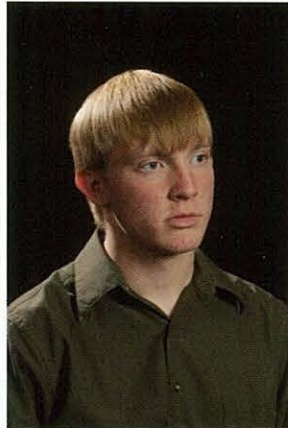
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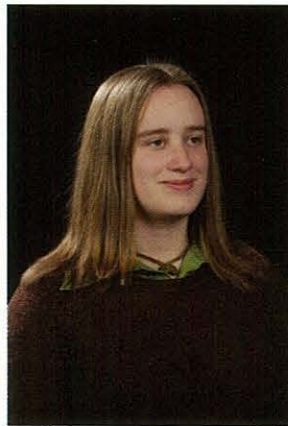
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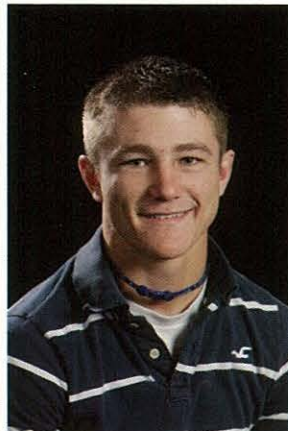
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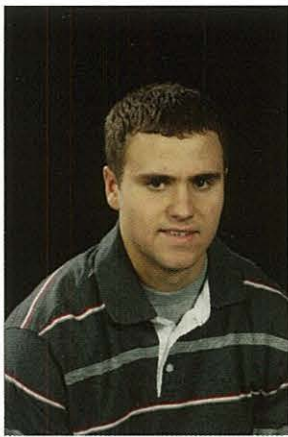


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Beau Stearns
Meagan Swenson
Kaden Thueson
Taryn Treyz





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Kramer Uvila

Emily Van Stone

Chris Voth



Gray Walls

Bryon Walsh

Heidi Weaver

Jessica Weaver



Blake Weber

Janae Wheatley

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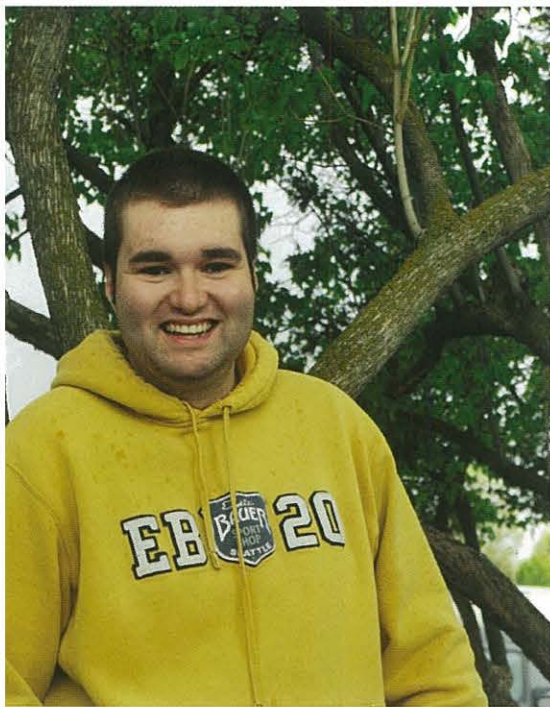
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STUDENT LIFE.

‘it all must start with an inspired, spontaneous idea.’ -Raymond Loewy

Who's Who

All students of senior status are reviewed by the faculty and are nominated according to their academics as well as involvement in the NNU community. The nominated students are then voted on by their fellow NNU students and 20 students are given the award of being the Who's Who of the university for that school year.



Brittan Dean Aebischer

Major: Graphic Design

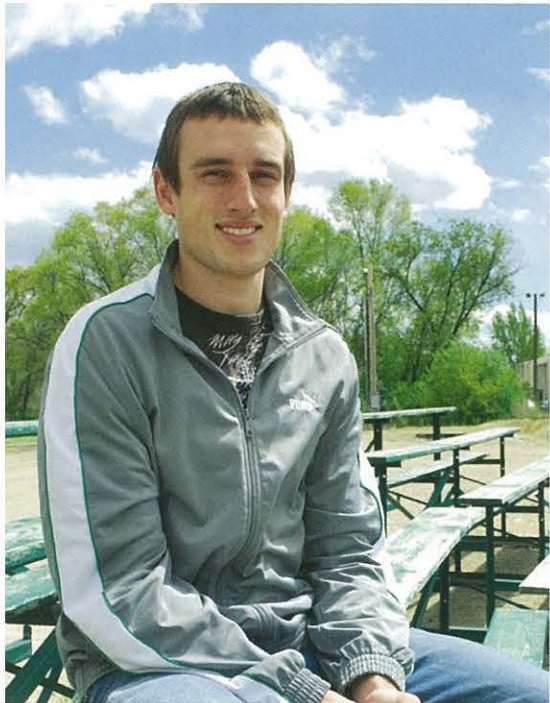
Hometown: Caldwell, ID

Offices and Activities: Freshman Class Senator, Peer Mentor, Travel groups (Covenant) Summer 06 and 07, Crusader Choir, Northwesterners, SGA Oasis Editor Fall 08.

Future Plans: Would like to travel, go to grad school for Art therapy; be a well-known artist and pianist.

Favorite verse or quote: "I press on towards the goal to win the prize, for Which God has called me heaven word in Jesus Name."

Favorite color: Every single one of them.



Louie Ward Beech

Major: Biology and Spanish

Hometown: Nampa, ID

Offices and Activities: Basketball, SAAC member

Future Plans: Get married to Leah Whitinger, become a Physician Assistant, and to travel.

Favorite verse: "And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13:13

Favorite color: Blue



Amy Lynn Bloomquist

Major: Public Communications, Emphasis in Social Work, Minor in Business Administration

Hometown: Meridian, ID

Offices and Activities: Hiking, skiing, backpacking, music, jazz, coffee, fellowship with good friends. "I currently am working with Love INC, a Christian organization that works to partner with local churches to provide resources for needs, and have absolutely loved my time there. I believe that life is too short to even waste a moment, and that each and every moment should be lived out to its fullest potential."

Future Plans: "I hope to work for a non-profit world relief organization in advocating for those who can not speak for themselves and providing awareness of those that are hurting or hungry in our community, and around the globe."

Favorite verse or quote: 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Favorite color: Yellow

Lisa Marie Bloomquist

Major: Business Administration with a minor in management

Hometown: Meridian, ID

Offices and Activities: President of SIFE 2008-2009, SIFE Member 2006-2009, Crusader Choir President 2008-2009, Peer Health Educator, Active church member at Valley Shepherd Nazarene, Deans List, Outstanding business student of the year.

Future Plans: "I hope to obtain a masters degree and would love to combine the aspects of healthcare and business into a career. In ten years I hope to look back and say that I have traveled, taken advantage of every opportunity, and challenged myself to do the best in everything. Life is short and I hope that I can look back and be proud of my accomplishments and treasure my relationships. I'm excited to see where God takes me."

Favorite verse or quote: Hebrews 11:1 "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." My dad also once told me, "The greatest gift I can ever give you is the promise that I'll see you in heaven again someday, make sure you return that promise."

Favorite color: Either blue or green



Laurie R. Burgemeister

Major: English

Hometown: Twin Falls, ID

Offices and Activities: Vice President of Sigma Tau Delta, Northwesterners, Crusader Choir, Crusader Newspaper.

Future Plans: "I will be getting married this summer moving to Moscow Idaho and pursuing a degree in literature."

Favorite verse or quote: "Don't bother just to be better than your contemporaries or predecessors. Try to be better than yourself." --William Faulkner

Favorite Color: RED!!!



Robert Nathaniel Carlson

Major: Christian Ministries

Hometown: Johannesburg, South Africa

Offices and Activities: Psychology Club Minor Representative, Ambassador, Peer Mentor, Mentor (Mentoring Network), Pride and Prejudice (Drama), Missions Trip to Taiwan, Track, Sunday School Teacher, Small Group Leader.

Future Plans: "I plan to go to Graduate School in Psychology and use my degrees to help pastors, missionaries, and mission organizations worldwide."

Favorite verse or quote: "I choose not to be a common man. It is my right to be uncommon if I can." George Washington.

Favorite color: Green





Alison Michelle Cavanaugh

Major: Vocal Performance

Hometown: Eugene, OR

Offices and Activities: Crusader Choir, Northwesterners, Opera Performance

Future Plans: "I may pursue a master's in vocal performance and some theater. My long term goal is to open and operate a Christian café and music venue."

Favorite verse or quote: "Do you know what music is? God's little reminder that there's something else besides us in this universe." - Wizard, August Rush

Favorite color: Sage green



Rylee R. Curtis

Major: Rec. management/Athletic training

Hometown: Burns, OR

Offices and Activities: SGA Campus Ministries Coordinator 08-09, Intramural powderpuff football & basketball

Future Plans: "Graduate!!! Find a job working that lets me be active and work with kids."

Favorite verse or quote: 2 Peter 3:18, "...Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ..."

Favorite color: Blue & Red.



Matthew Lane Dayton

Major: Christian Ministries

Hometown: Meridian, ID

Offices and Activities: Class Council, Brick House, Peer Mentor, Ministry Club President

Future Plans: "Pursue my masters in urban ministry then possibly come back and teach that at NNU someday."

Favorite Verse: Matthew 5:44

Favorite Color: Green

Amber Dawn Ford

Major: English Education

Hometown: Beaverton, OR

Offices and Activities: Freshman Ford RA (2006-2007); Kenya Mission Trip (2007); SGA Crusader Editor (2007-2008); Education Club Publicist (2007-2008); Sigma Tau Delta English Honor's Society (2007-2009); SGA Executive Secretary (2008-2009); Student Teaching at Nampa High School (Fall 2008); News Director for NNU/KTVB "Kids Today" news program (2009).

Future Plans: To live simply, teach others, and make a difference.

Favorite verse or quote: "Go confidently in the direction of your dreams! Live the life you've imagined." -Henry David Thoreau

Favorite color: Green



Haline Lima Freitas

Major: International Studies with a minor in Spanish

Hometown: Brazil, Angola, Mozambique

Offices and Activities: Peer Mentor, Admission's Ambassador, Intramural Flag Football, Crusader Choir, President of Multicultural Club, SGA Judicial Board, Modern Languages and Cultural Studies Teacher's Assistant, Witness Travel Group, Mentoring Network, Hope House Ministries, Preschool Sunday School assistant, Volunteer at 2009 Winter Special Olympics

Future Plans: Work in social international development in North Africa or Southeast Asia working especially with children and youth.

Favorite verse or quote: Philippians 1:20 "I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death."

Favorite color: Everything



Johanna Lyn Higdon

Major: Biology/Chemistry

Hometown: Cloverdale, OR

Offices and Activities: Peer Health Educator, Hope House (Secretary, Vice President), Alpha Epsilon Delta (President), Bella Voce, spring musical, biology TA, research, peer tutor

Future Plans: "Next year I will be going to Loma Linda School of Medicine to become a physician."

Favorite verse or quote: Romans 8:37-39

Favorite color: green





Courtney Rose Little

Major: Nursing

Hometown: Othello, WA

Offices and Activities: SGA Athletic Liaison (08-09), Track and Field Captain(08-09), Peer Mentor (08-09), Resident Assistant (07-08), Intramural powderpuff(05-08) and basketball (08-09), Youth Group volunteer (05-08), Student Nurses Association member (05-09)

Future Plans: Become a pediatric nurse in Denver, Co.

Favorite verse or quote: Hebrews 12:11, "May we never miss a rainbow or a sunset because we are looking down" -anon, When life gives you a hundred reasons to cry, remember the thousand reasons you have to smile.

Favorite color: Red



Kari Lynn Penrod

Major: Elementary Education

Hometown: Whitefish, MT

Offices and Activities: Ford Hall RA, Alumni for the Uganda Studies Program

Future Plans: Touring and teaching with the African Children's Choir

Favorite verse or quote: "Growth means change and change involves risk, stepping from the known to the unknown."

Favorite color: Blue



Ashley Nicole Helen Puga

Major: Accounting

Hometown: Meridian, ID

Offices and Activities: SIFE - project group leader, Track, national presenter, Peer Mentor, Student Managed Fund,

Future Plans: "Have fun serving the Lord when I graduate, continue running, begin a career preferably in accounting, get married, have a family, be a stay-at-home mom, and travel the world."

Favorite verse or quote: "My flesh and my heart may fail but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."
-Psalm 73:26

Favorite color: Black (if that doesn't count then white, and if you still don't like that answer then yellow because it is cheerful)

Joseph Robert Seiders

Major: Social Work

Hometown: Fruitland, ID

Offices and Activities: "I was involved in and ran Social Work club, was an RA a few times, served on class council."

Future Plans: I am going to be a Social worker who works with families who want to adopt kids either internationally, domestically out of the foster care system or right from birth as an infant.

Favorite verse or quote: "Why are you trying so hard to fit in when you are born to stand out" and favorite Scripture is: Isaiah 42 verses 1-7.

Favorite color: Green



Vanessa Joy Shaw

Major: Accounting and Finance and Business Administration

Hometown: Helena, MT

Offices and Activities: NNU Softball, SAAC President and Vice President, Peer Mentor, Chief Financial Officer of SIFE, AMA, Accounting Club, Dooley Dorm Council, and Big Sister/Little Sister.

Future Plans: Graduate School at Montana State University for Masters in Professional Accountancy, One day investigate fraud for FBI of local government.

Favorite verse or quote: Romans 5:2b-3 "We rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope."

Favorite color: GREEN!!



Lacey McMichael Smith

Major: Communication

Hometown: Laramie, WY

Offices and Activities: Campus Ministries Coordinator, Student Body President, Social Vice President, Bible Study Leader, Student council social board, Nazarene Student Leadership Association Treasurer and CoChair, Parable Summer Ministry team treasurer and leader, Fall play, Readers theater

Future Plans: Save the world

Favorite verse or quote: "We cannot create the wind or set it in motion, but can set our sails to catch it when it comes. We cannot make the electricity, but we can stretch the wire along which it is to run and do its work. we cannot, in a word, control the spirit, but we can so place ourselves before the Lord, and so do the things he has bidden for us to do that we will come under the influence and power of his mighty breath." - the independent

Favorite color: Green and yellow





Roland Jerry Tedder

Major: Christian Ministries

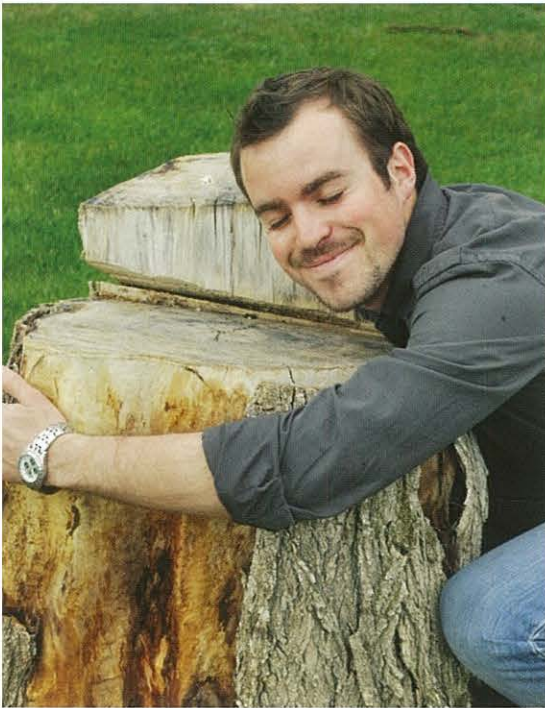
Hometown: Johannesburg, South Africa

Offices and Activities: Culver RA, Brick House Boy, Pastoral Intern at Valley Shepherd Church of the Nazarene

Future Plans: "Head to Nazarene Theological Seminary after grad, get a Masters of Divinity with an emphasis in Intercultural Studies. Eventually I would like to go back to Africa as a missionary. But I can see myself doing any kind of church work until that happens. I am also interested in social justice and community relations."

Favorite verse or quote: "Do all the good you can, to all the people you can, at all the times you can, in all the ways you can, by all the means you can, as long as you ever can." - John Wesley
"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." - Winston Churchill

Favorite color: Blue!



Dax Patrick Wandling

Major: Public Communication with a minor in Political Science

Hometown: The Sprawling Metropolis of Prosser, WA

Offices and Activities: Culver RA, Brick House, PM, Senator, Ambassador, Parable, Drama, etc.

Future Plans: "I'm working for World Vision for a while; hoping to get a master's in political communication soon."

Favorite verse or quote: Is. 61:1-3

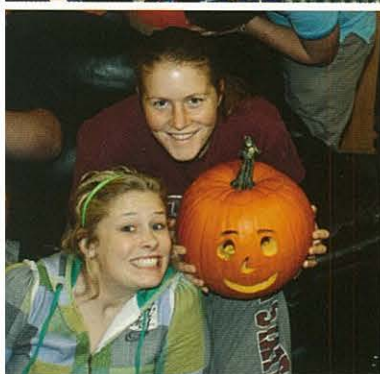
Favorite color: Most greens are good. Sometimes not; sometimes they look like puke, but often I like green.

SGA

"I feel like the year was a time where the SGA got to figure out a lot of the gifts they have. We all went into the year with expectations of what the year would be like, and whether or not those expectations were met, I think we can all say we left the year better people than when we entered. SGA is supposed to be for the students, and if we are doing our job, the bar is raised for the next year and improvements are perpetual. It took a little time for us to fall into the groove of things, and while a lot of the year was holding down the status quo, circumstances throughout the year will do the job in aiding next years team to be better. I think we had a lot of fun, a lot of trials and a lot of growth; those things making the year a success. I leave the year with wonderful memories and many more wonderful friends, and experiences which make NNU what it is."

-SGA President, Lacey Smith





Senate

Freshmen:

Molly Reid, Jared Trygg, Blake Weber

Sophomores:

John Crabill, Brandon Hagemeyer,
Allison Dietz

Juniors:

Andrew McCulley, Miriam Reardon,
Daryl Gonzales

Seniors:

Dax Wandling, Katie Rickart,
Adam Shildmeyer



Newspaper

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Andrea Schilling

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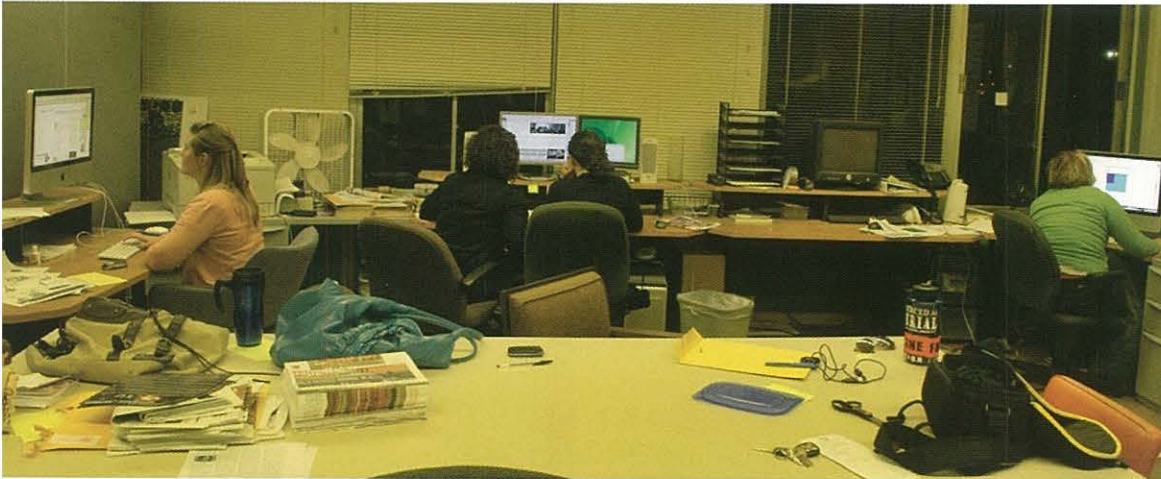
Sarah Pence, Alli Schisler

Business:

Cassie Peterman

Advertising:

Derek Derooy



Ambassadors

Student Ambassadors are selected through an application and interview process conducted by the admissions office. This year, the Student Ambassador Program was composed of roughly 30 current NNU students who desired to help represent the University to prospective students and parents, particularly those who visited the campus. Ambassadors worked closely with the Office of Admissions to welcome visitors to campus, to keep them safe and informed, and to provide them with a student's perspective of NNU. This included giving tours, hosting students overnight, and hosting chapels, lunches, overnight stays, and other various student events. Ambassadors found the program to be highly rewarding, especially considering that potential students have decided to attend NNU largely in part to their interactions with the Ambassadors.

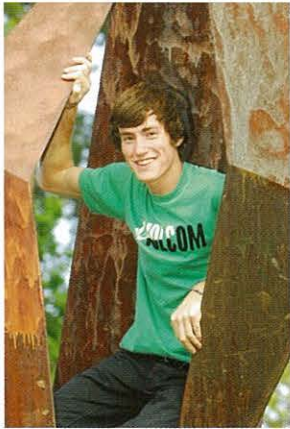
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Laurie Burgemeister



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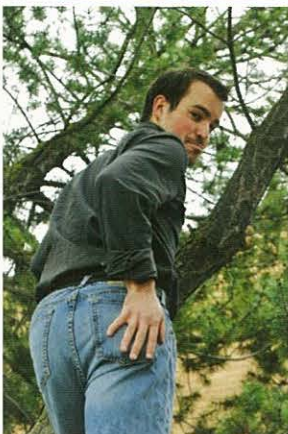
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Joe Strunk

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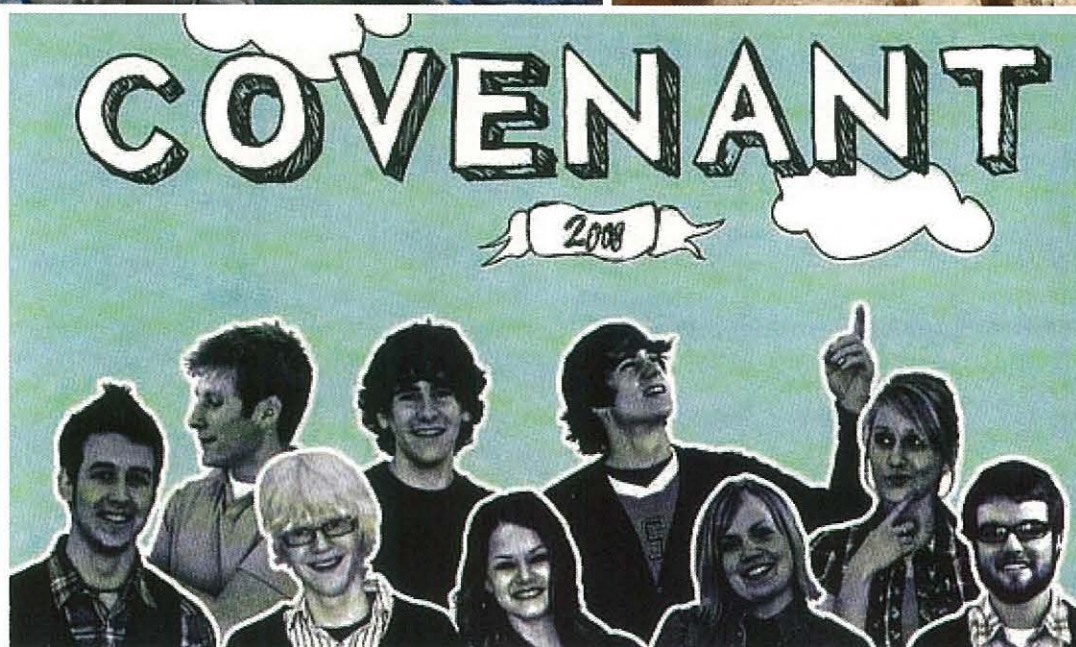
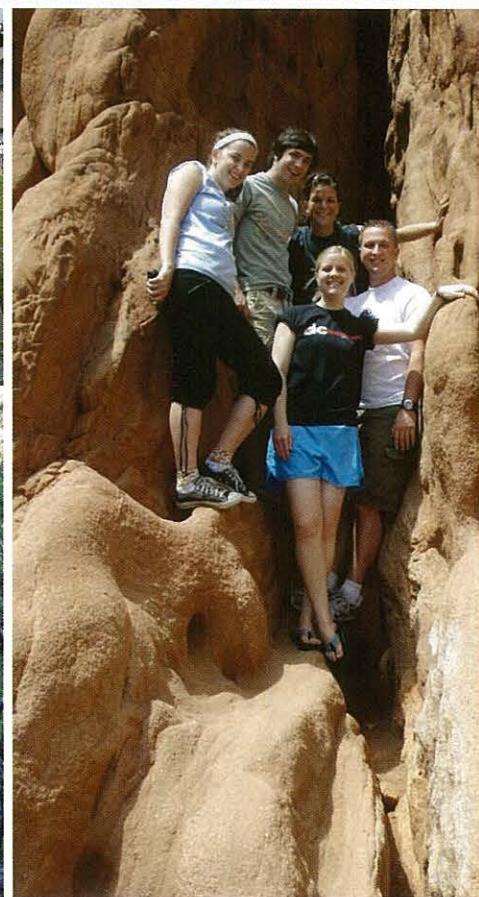
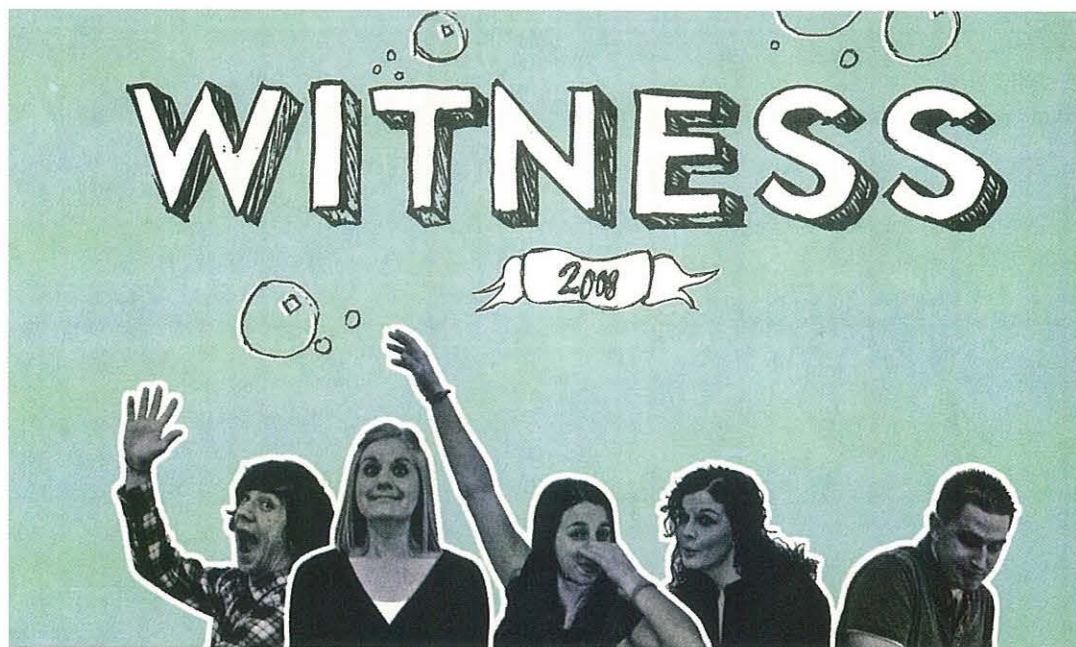
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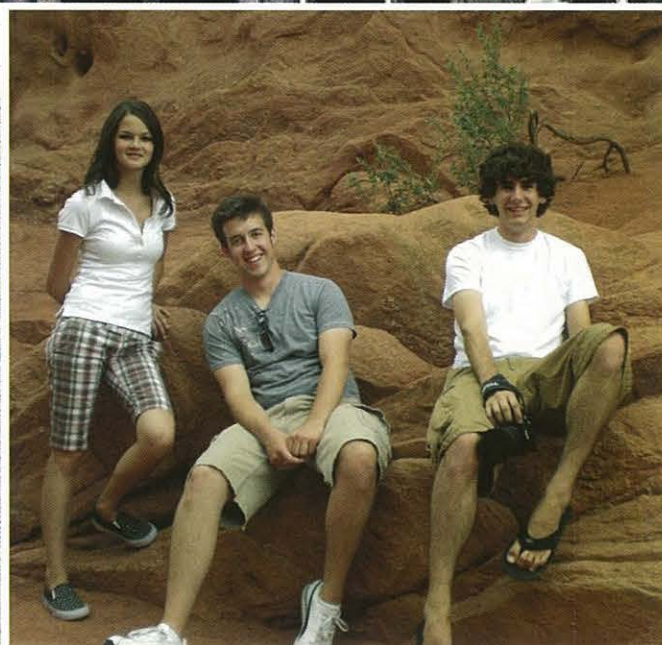
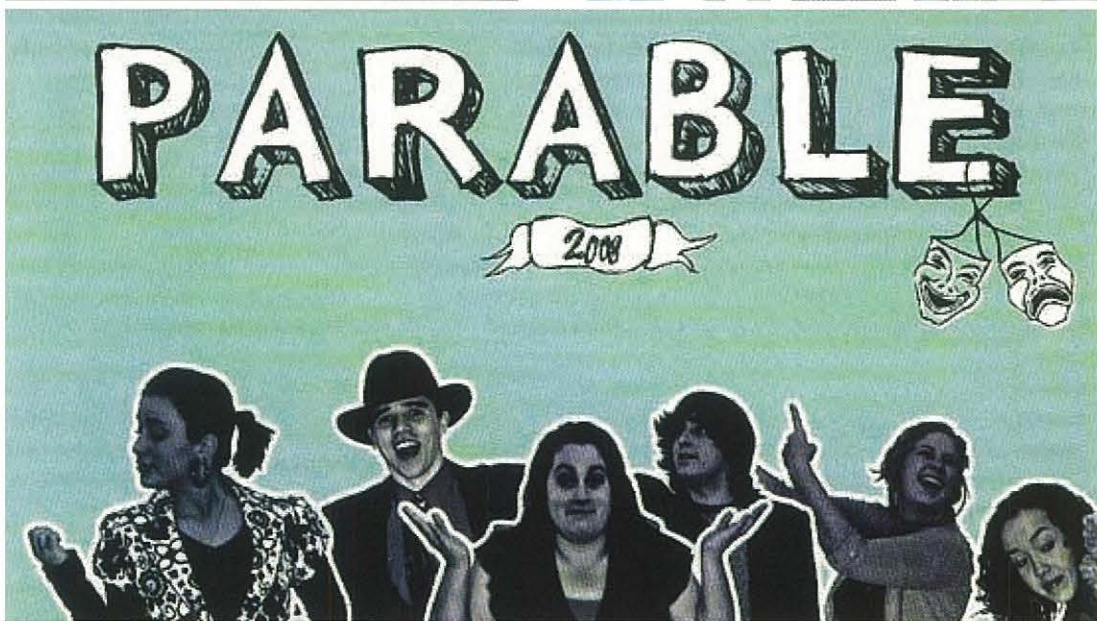
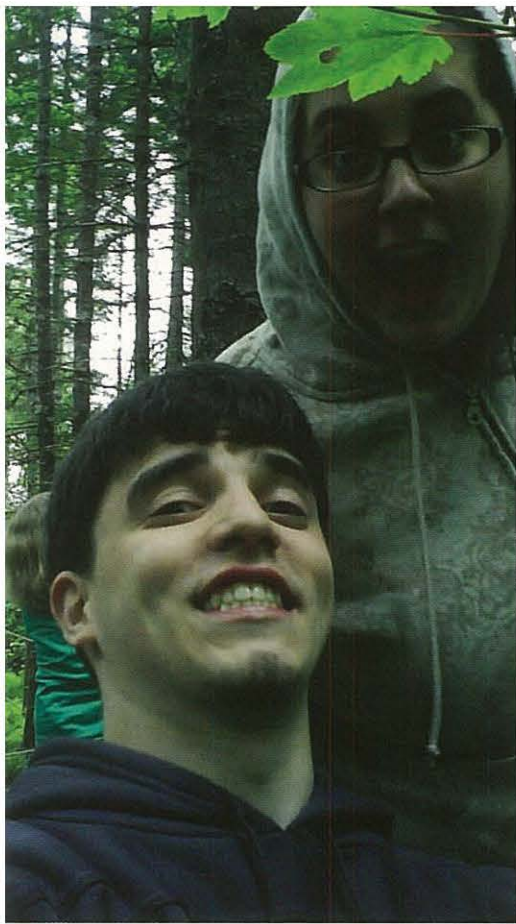
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Travel Groups

Witness, Parable
& Covenant





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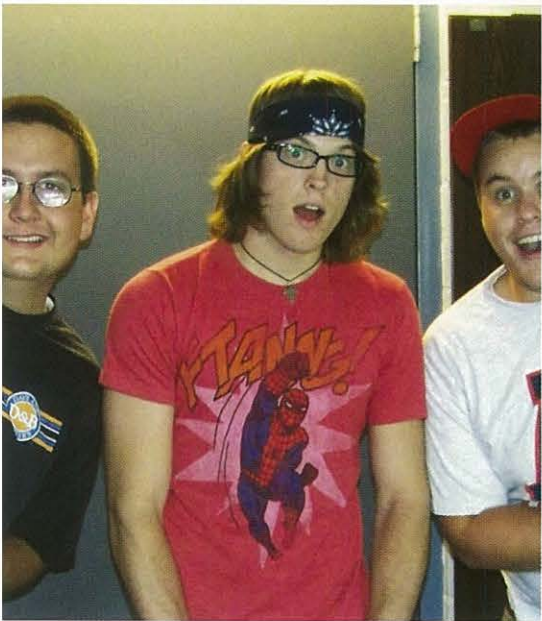
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Allison Dietz, Danielle Carter,
Bailey Osborn, Lindsay Kuhl,
Nipher Malika, Ashley Koch,
Courtney Roberts,
Macy Bekkedahl,
Arielle Askren

Culver RA's:

Will Hanson, Zach Schulz,
Rowdy Hope,
Justin Wadsworth
Jake Bodensstab, Jeff Nicol
Evan Chaney, Jake Bartlow
Matt Hasselblad, Mike Hoyt
Rob Carlson,
Kyle Winebrenner,
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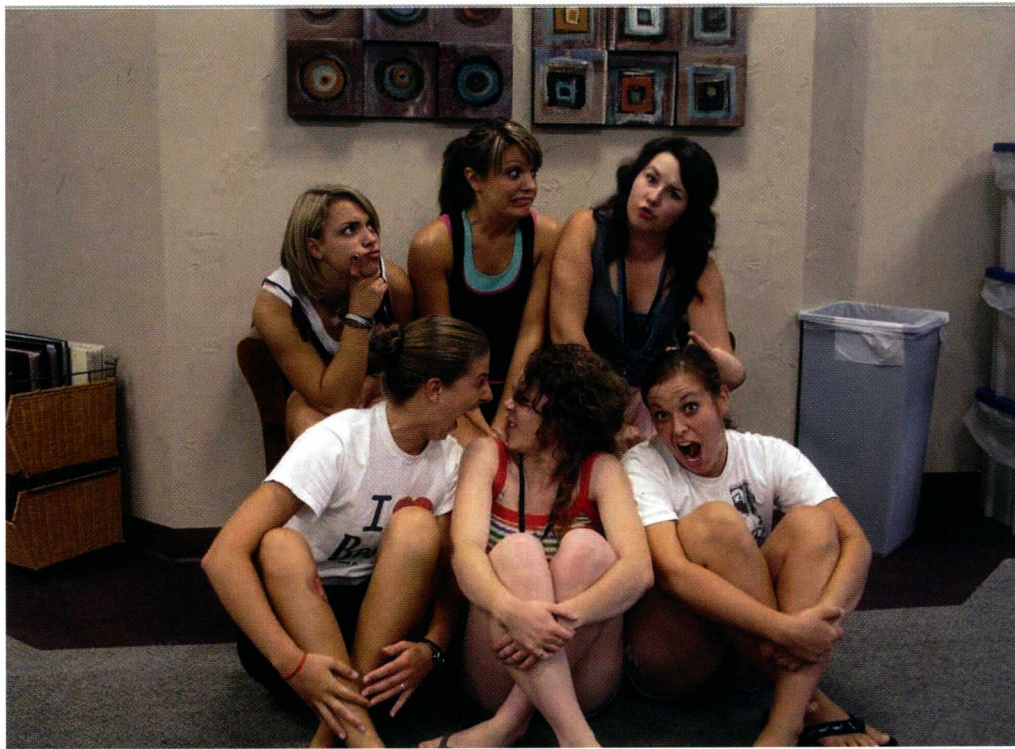
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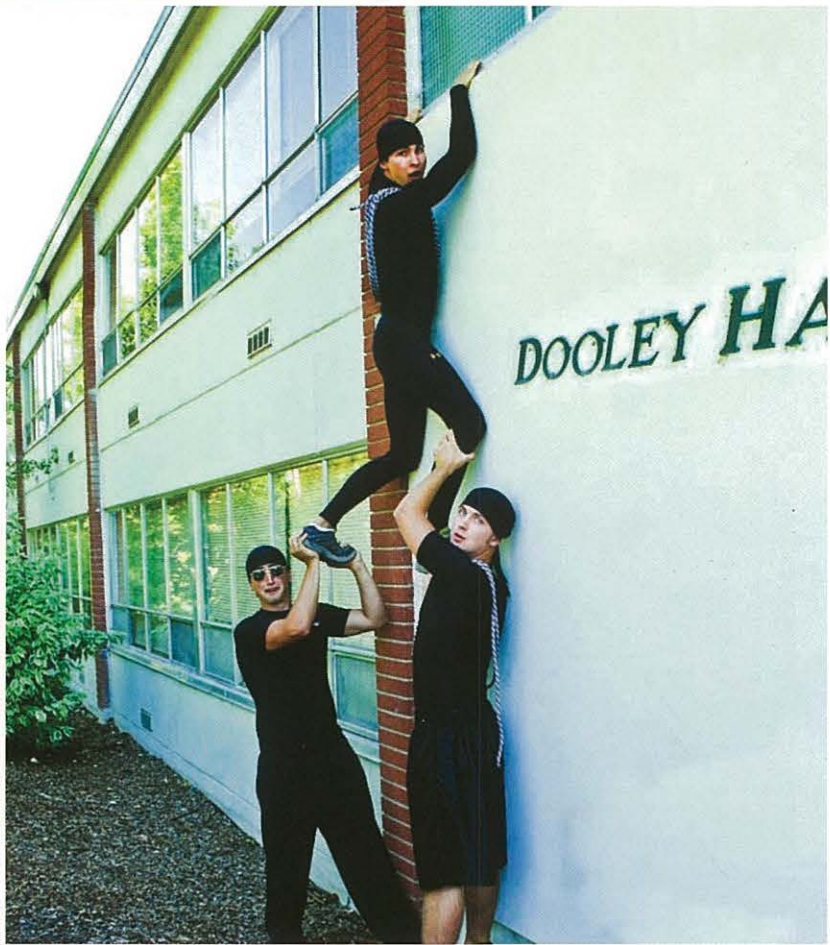
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Ashley Eggar, Lacey Bruner,
Jenny Connor, Ariel Glover,
Brooke Hesselgesser,
Christi Lokkart

Sutherland RA's:

David Reimer, Josh Jones,
Kyle Blaser, Ryan VanBeek,
Mark Wade, Seth Waltemyer





Corlett, Olsen & Holly

Corlett/Olson RA's:

Becca Dietz

Nick Jacobsen

Jason Montgomery

Miriam Reardon

Joe Seiders

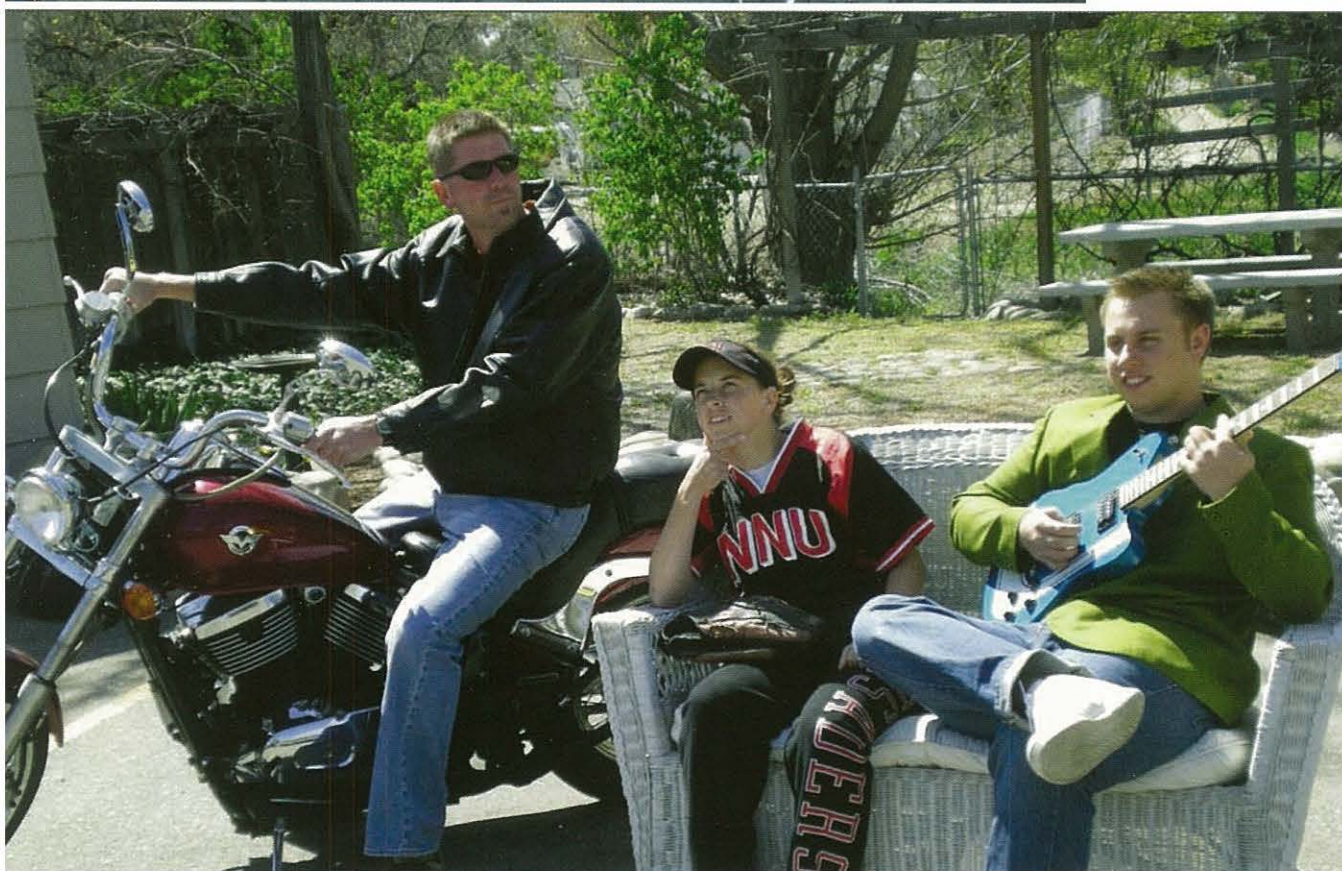
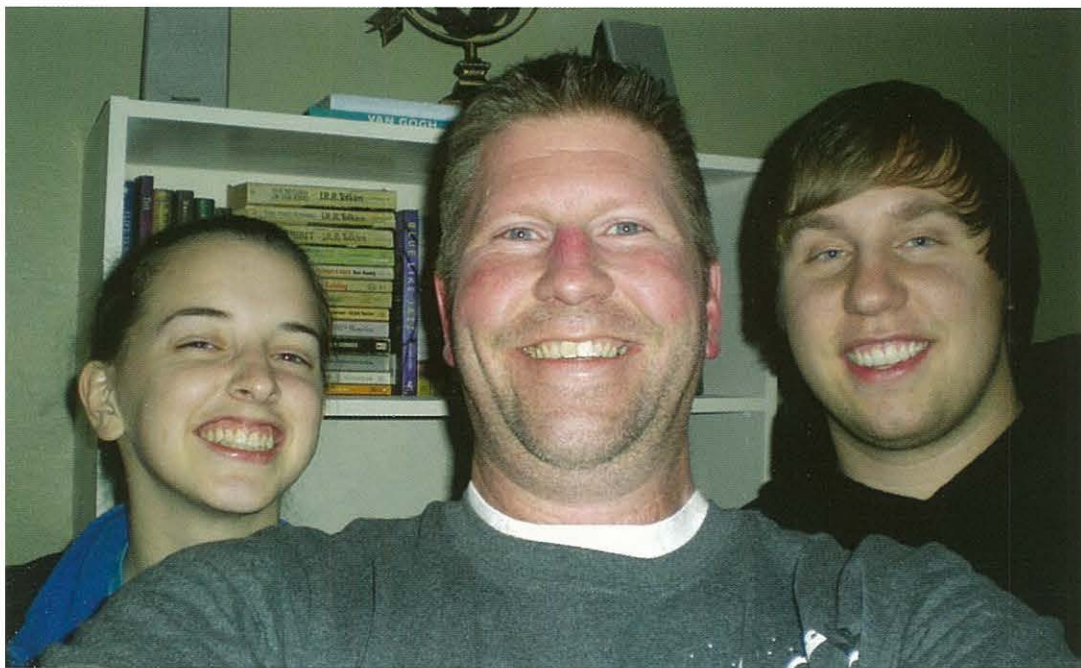
Christina Smith

Holly RA's:

Jordan Frieburghaus,

Jael Henthorn





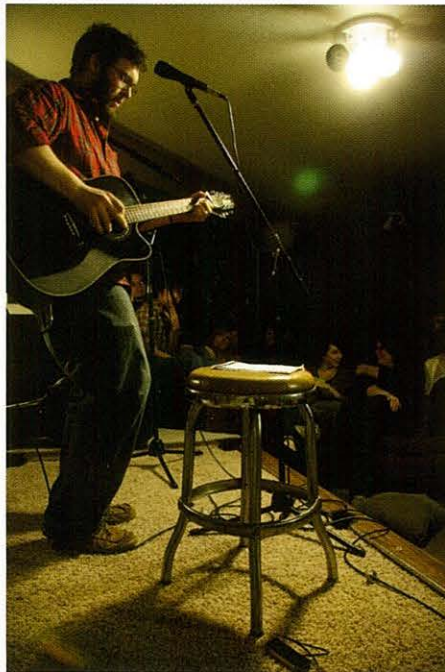
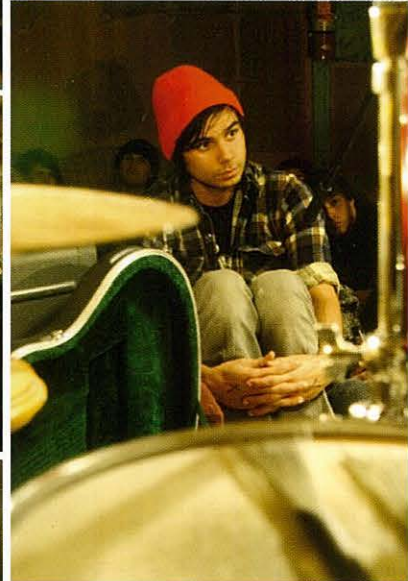
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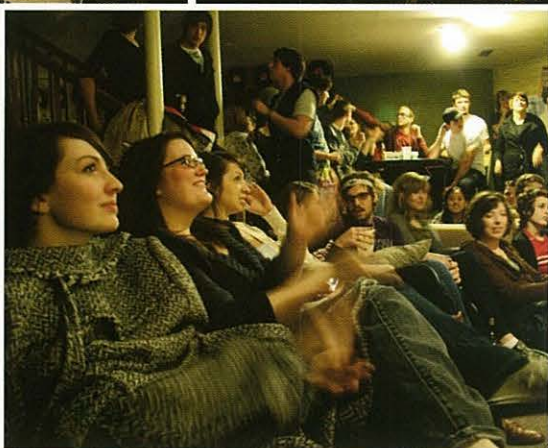
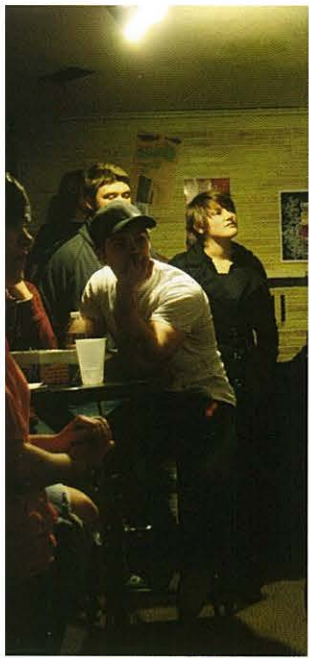




Brick House

Nate Berrian, Jerad May, Joey Miller, and Phil Westlund were selected to run the Brick House this year. In preparation, they expanded and refurbished the theater room and redecorated the house. The boys hosted cereal night, open-mic night, and a number of other events. On Thursday nights, bricks sold faster than hot cakes on a Saturday morning, and laughter was never in short supply. Needless to say, students frequented the Brick House this year. Any regular attendees could not deny that the Brick House was a blast!

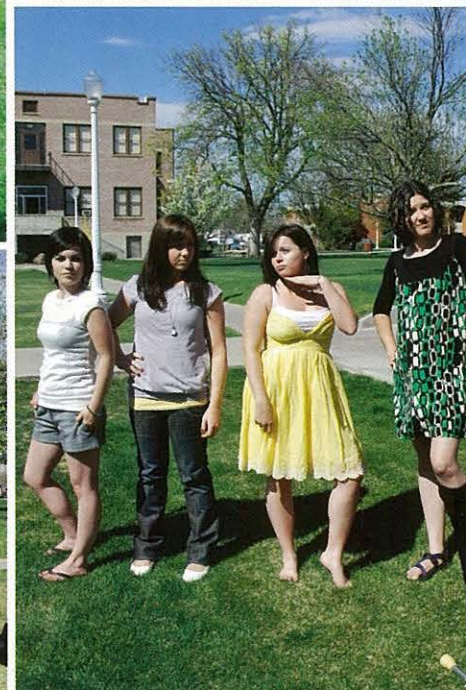
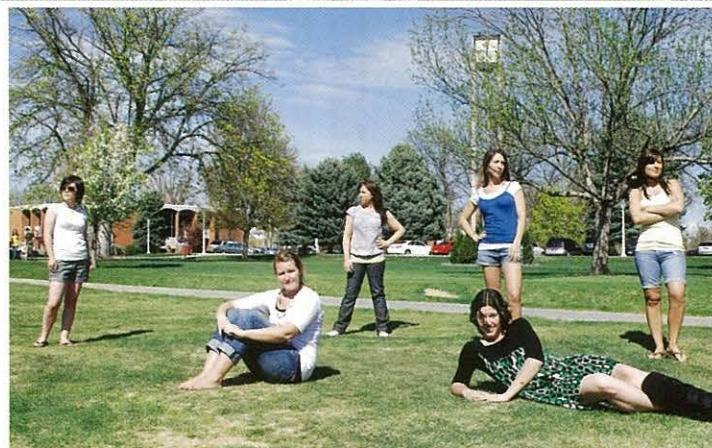


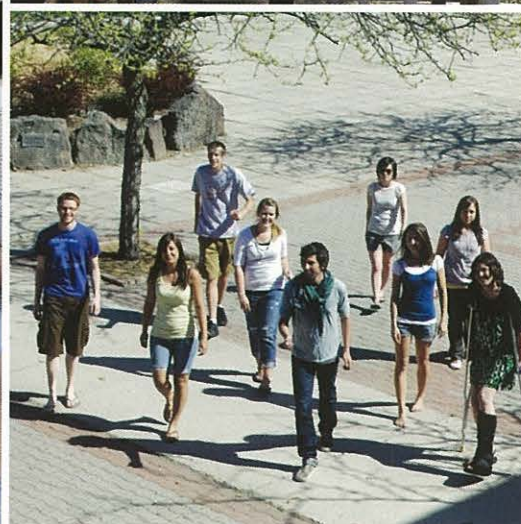


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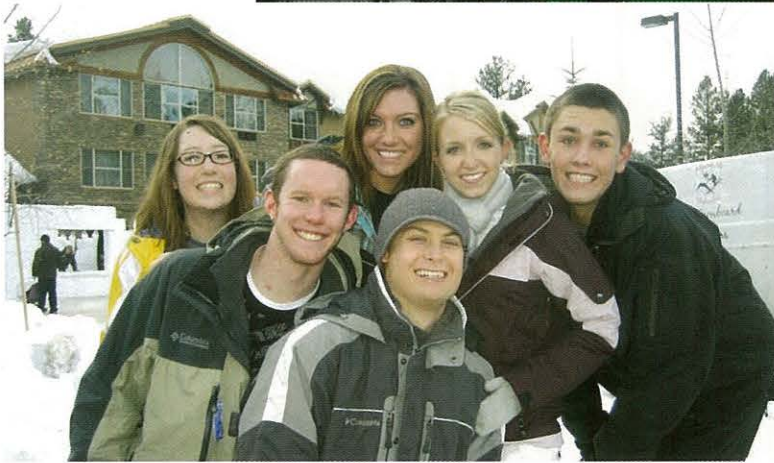
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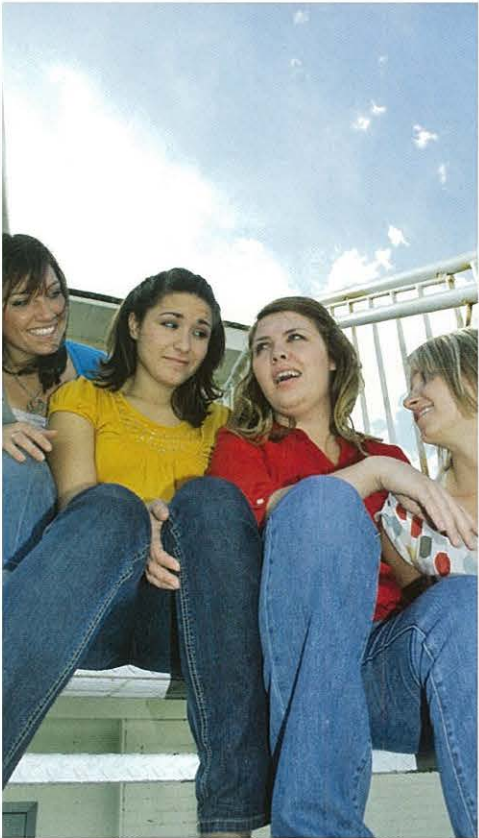
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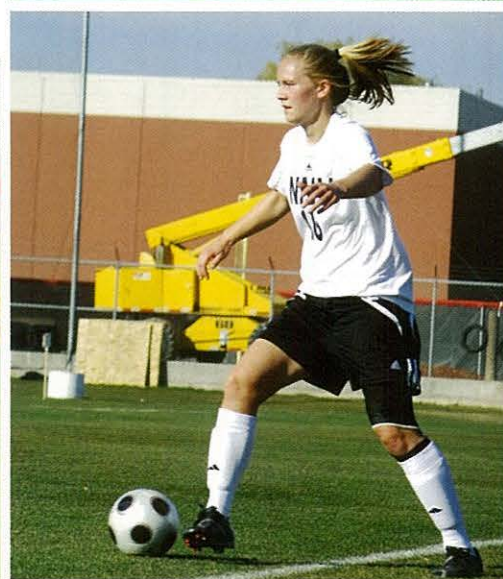
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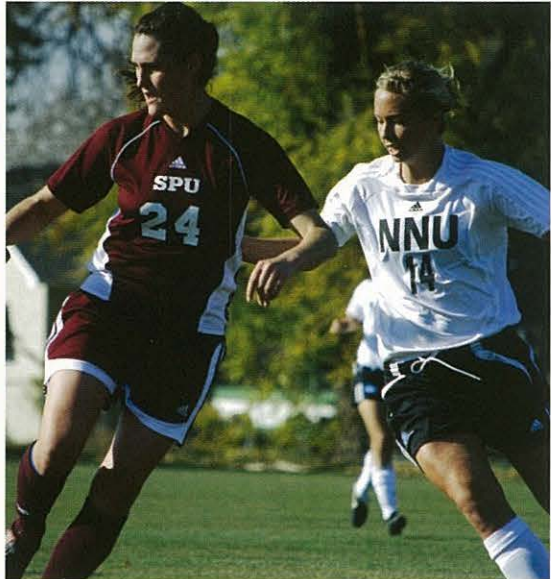
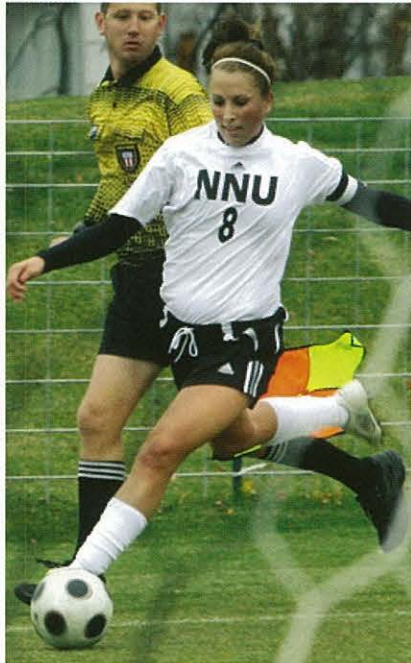
“Far better is it to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure...than to rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much, because they live in a gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat.” -Theodore Roosevelt

Women's Soccer



Lysie Powers, Kim Bowen, Jessie Cahill, Macey McGovert, Molly Tipton, Jenna Johnson, Kendra Courcy, Hannah Mohs, Susana Contreras, Angie Duryea, Liz Gross, Kylie Marshall, McKenzie Bailey, Marie Smith, Whitney Teague, Stacey Beckman, Pip Herman

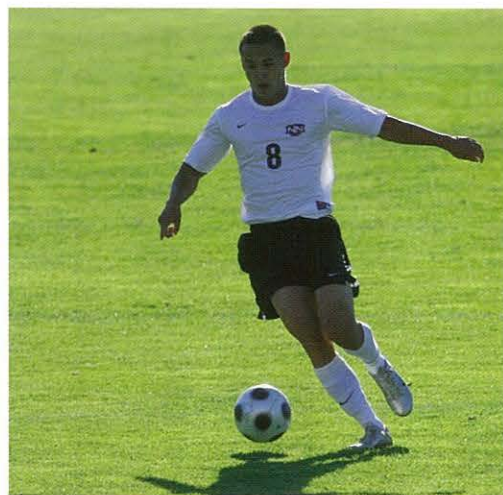


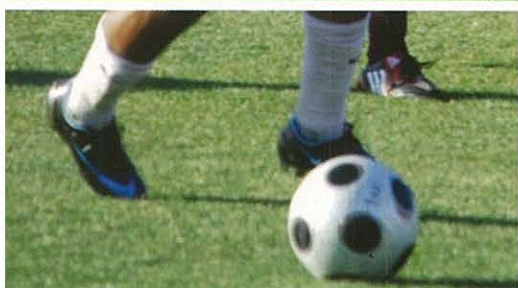
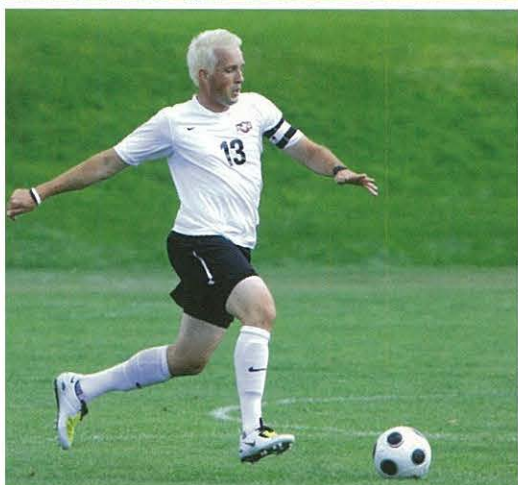


Men's Soccer



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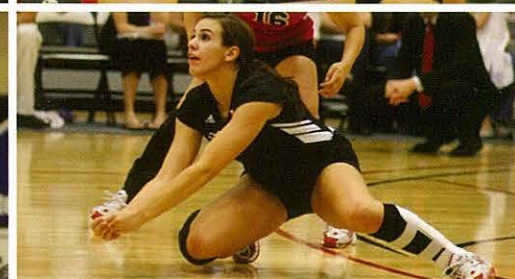
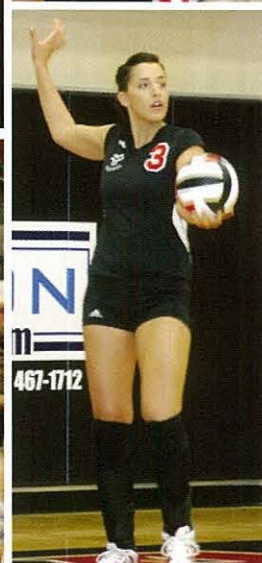


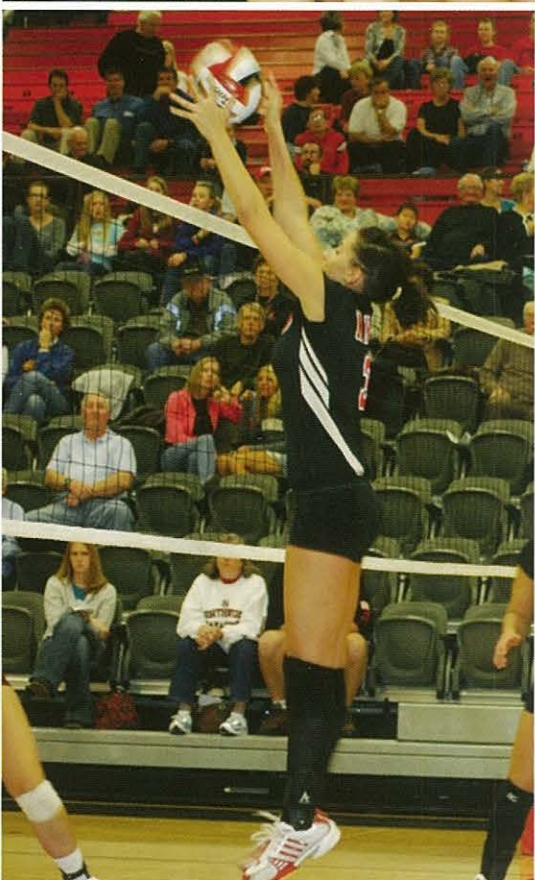
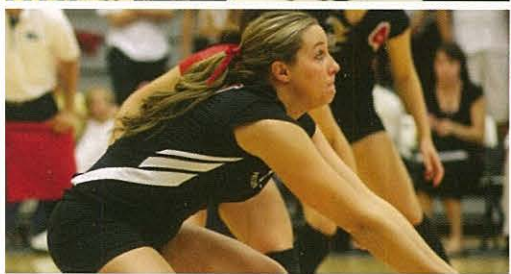
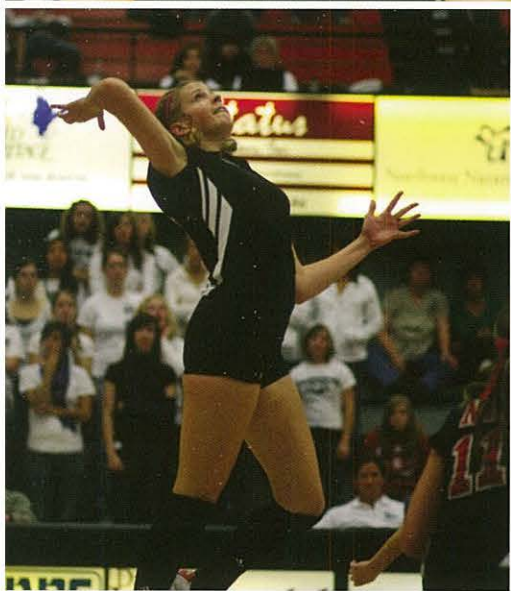


Volleyball



Amy Higginson, Jackie Bourdon, Cammy Dranginis, Lindsay Forseth, Kailey Trautmann, Eki Punimata, Haley Abbott, Meagan Swenson, Ashley Galeai, Erika Schaub, Amanda Boschma, Kelly VanElderen, Alaina Barber, Haley Hevern, Kelsey Smith





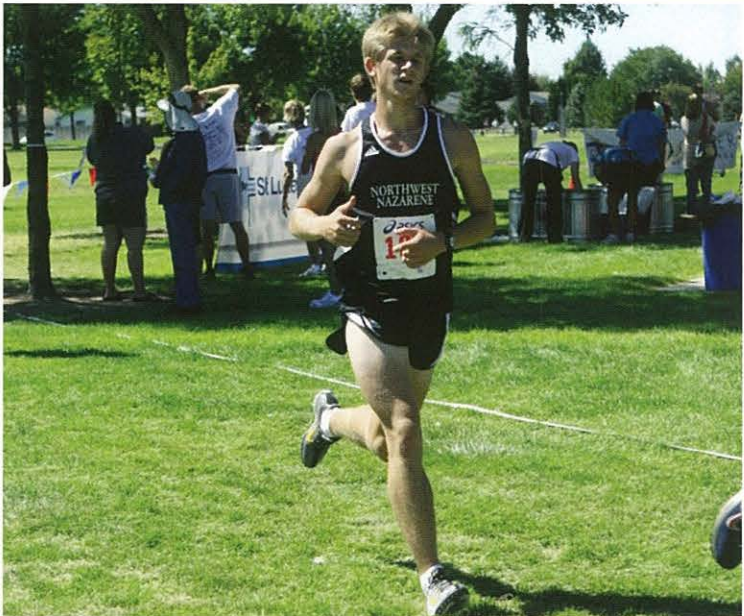
Cross Country



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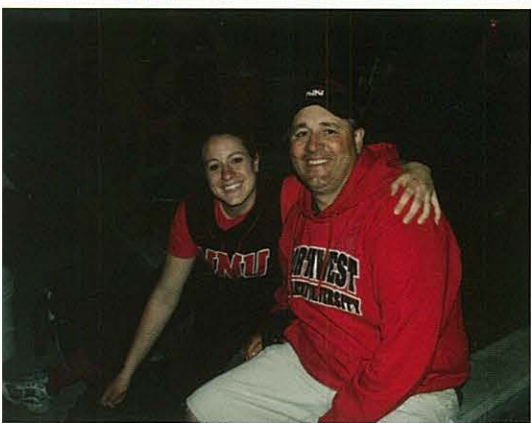


Softball



Jael Henthorn, Dana Shipley, Brooke Hesselgesser, Kierra Pansheri, Vanessa Shaw, Cara Duckworth, Arielle Chao, Kristin Refsland, Sarah Varady, Emily Renfrow, Dana Mitchell, Cortnee Crane, Catherine Lowery, Haley Hevern, Chelsey Anderson, Elizabeth Beaty.



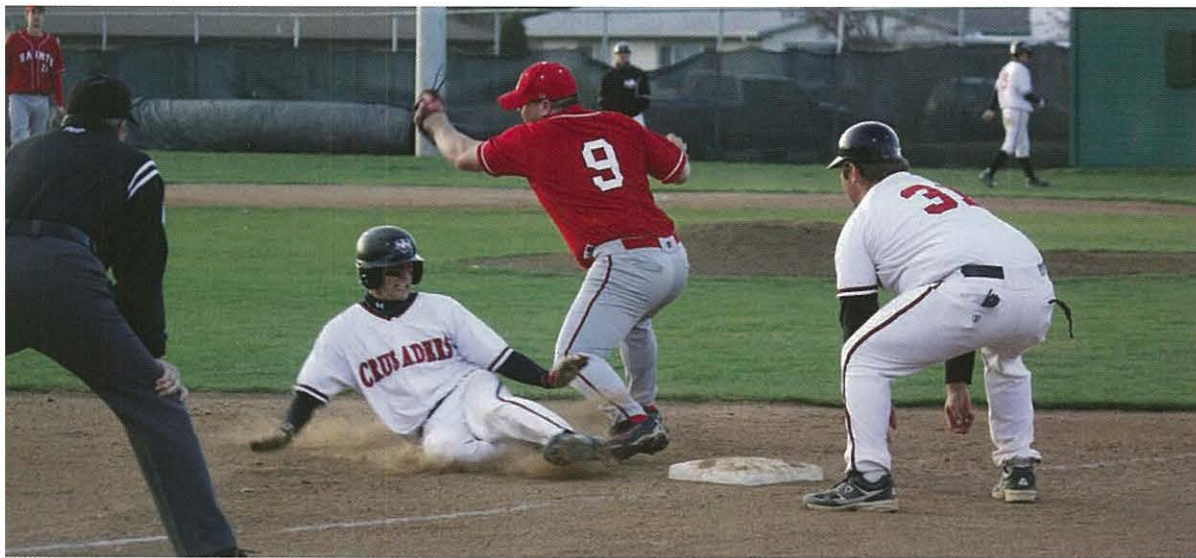


Baseball



Tyler Nicholson, Ty Windall, Cory Warburton, Nicholas Hawes, Boone Farrington, Logan Sevier, Brady Burdick, Spencer Lind, Ryan Brown, Joel Oliver, Sean McDonald, Ryan VanBeek, Kramer Uvila, Ryan Udy, Conner Rankin, Nate Bobrowski, Zach Morse, Tyler Montgomery, Brian Hunt, Matt Haupt, Brian Fields, Jon Keller, David Starkey, Nate Slonaker, Andy Pottenger, Shelby Lindley, Tim Stuvland, Colton Douglass, Charles Pollock, Kalen Hruza, Jimmy VanBeek, Jared Joffer, Greg Christiansen

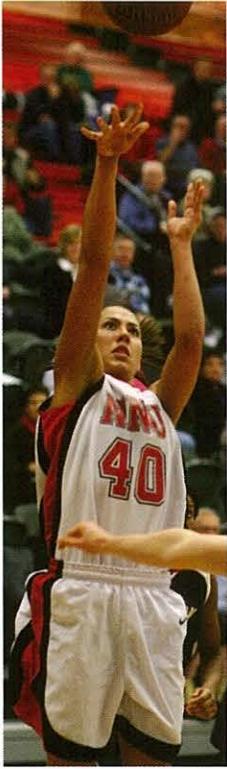


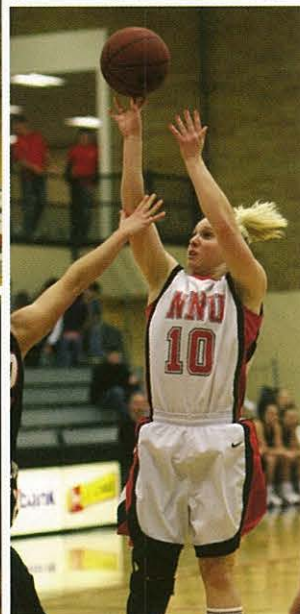
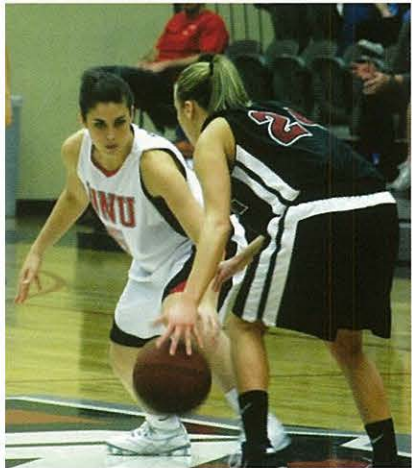


Women's Basketball



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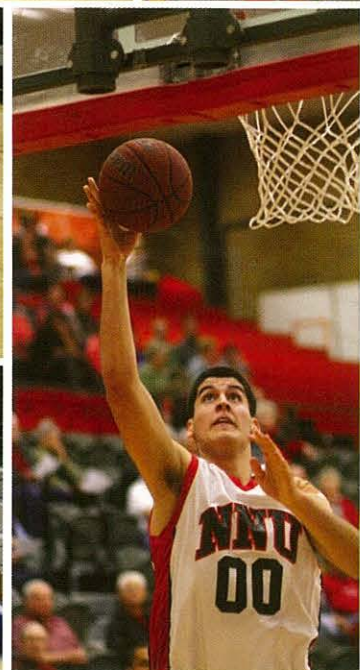
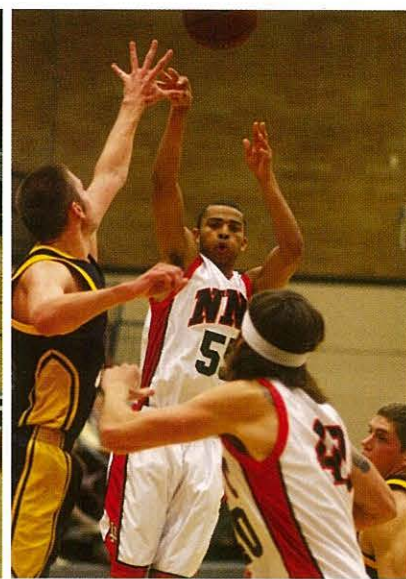
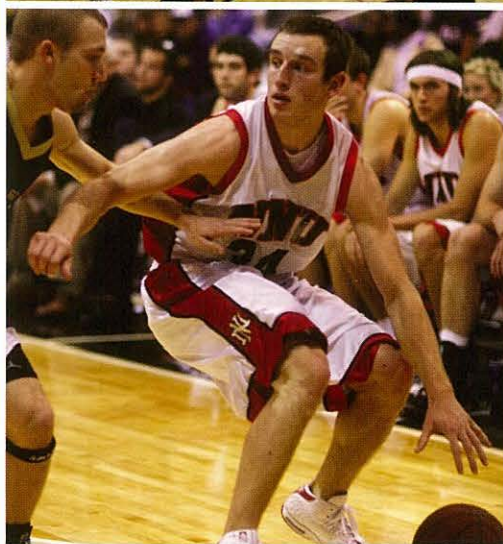


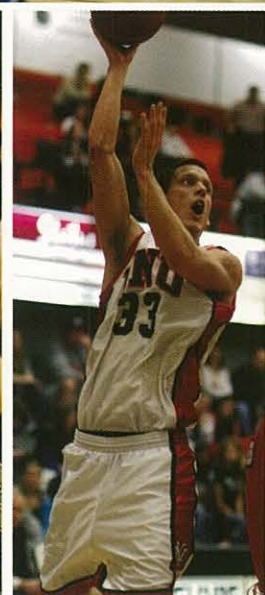
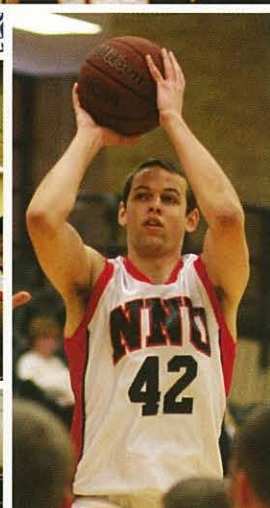
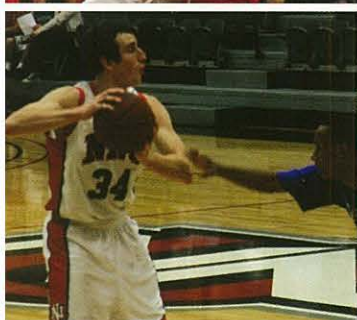
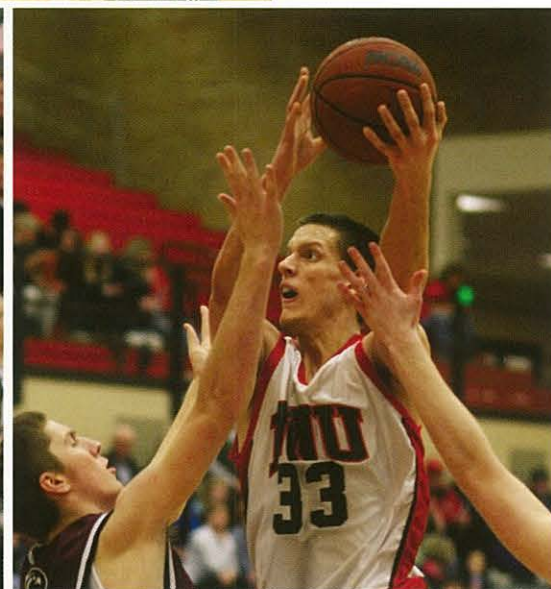
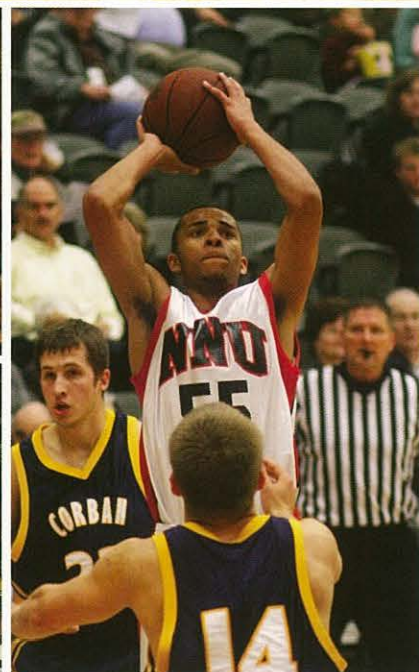
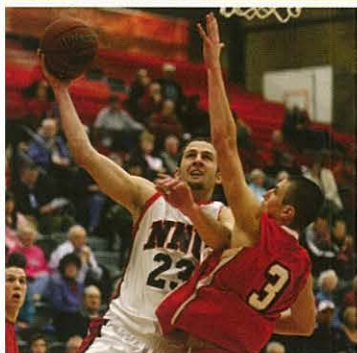
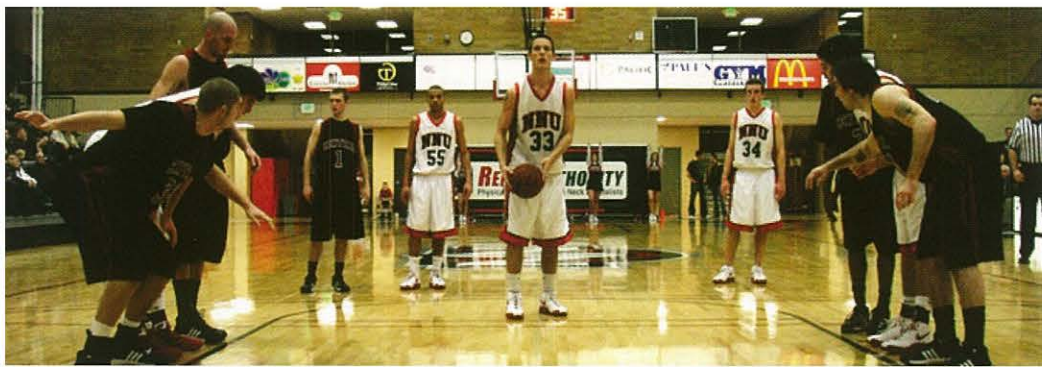


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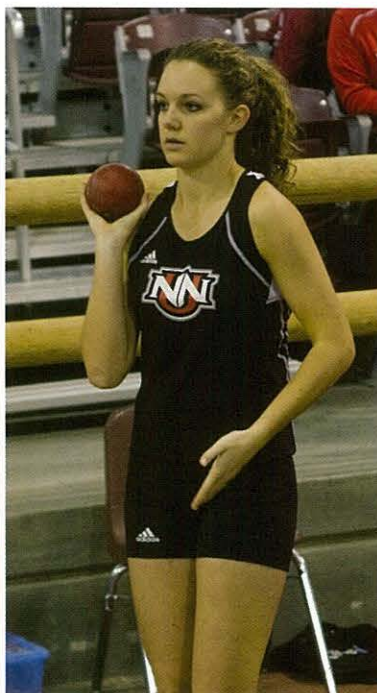


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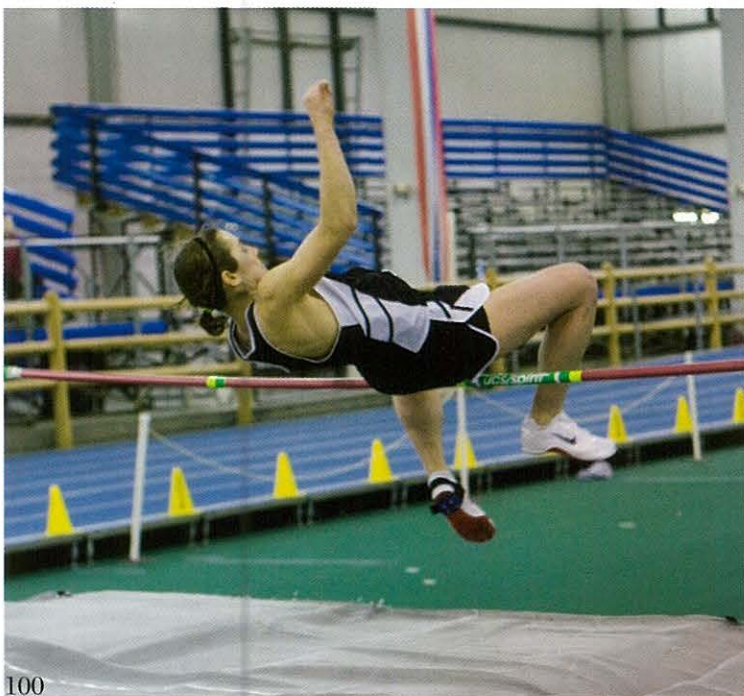
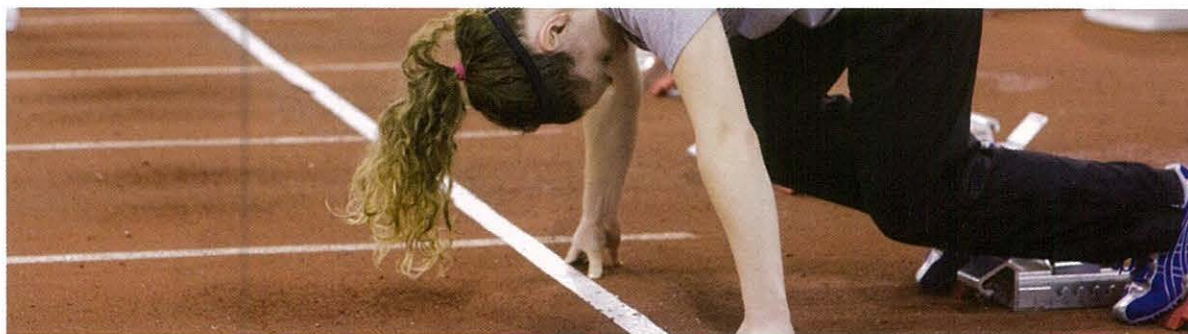


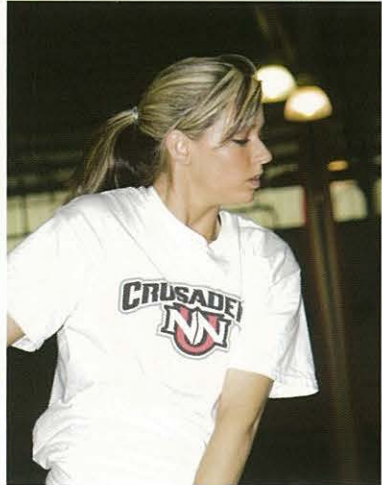
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Men's Golf



Bryan Beaty, John Crabill, Brian Flanders, Nic Gibson, Zach Grunig, Rowdy Hope, Jeff McDonald, Andy Pottenger, Aaron VanDeHey, Leon Vasquez



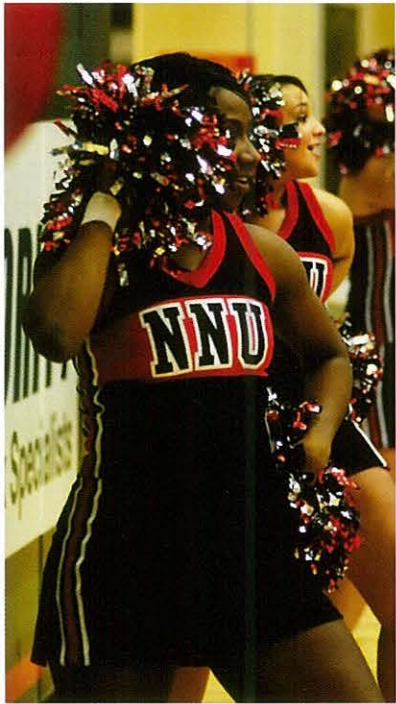
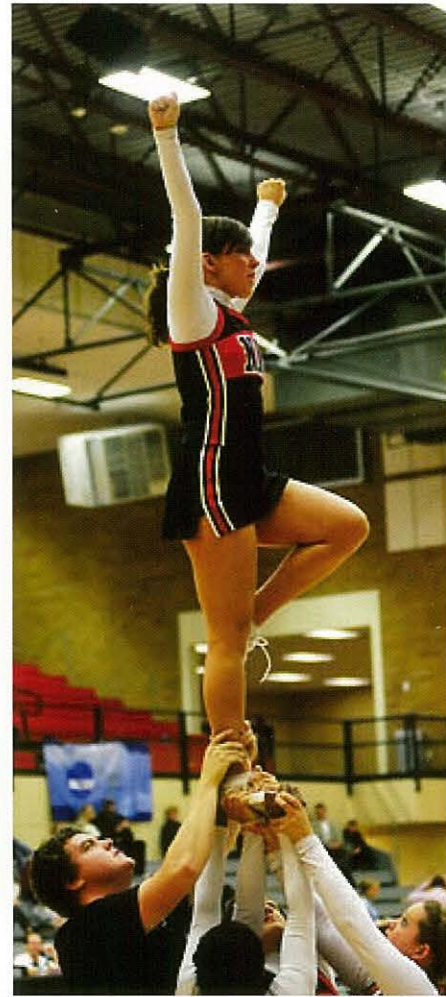


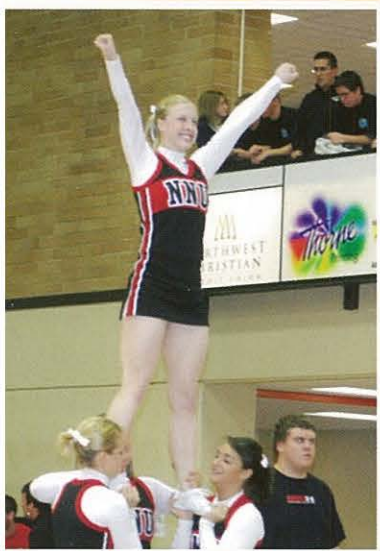
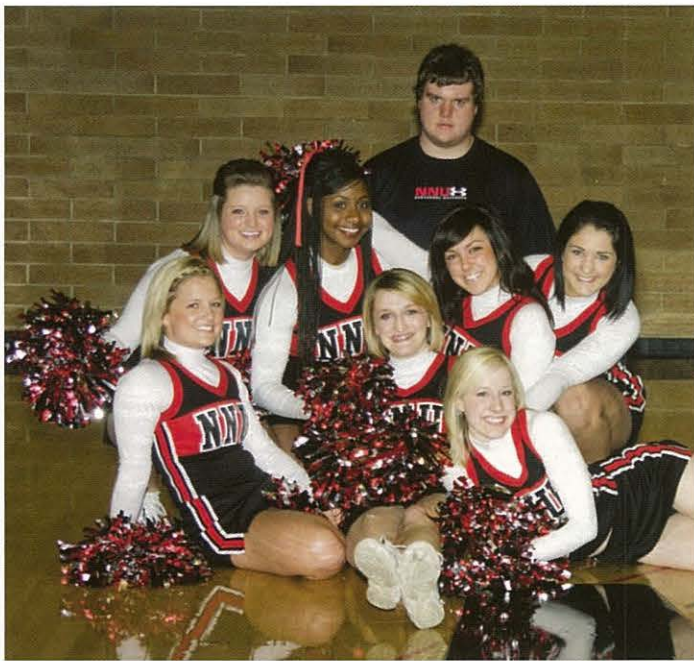
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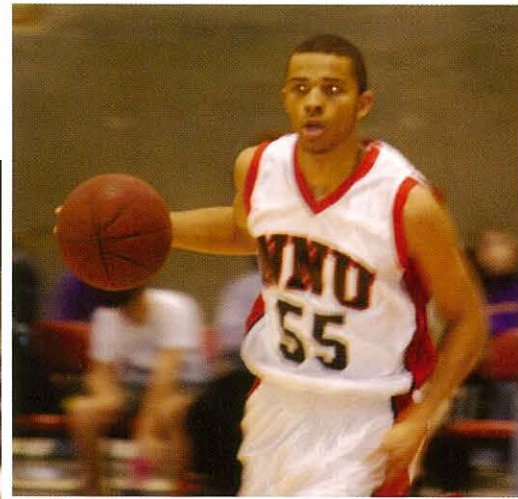
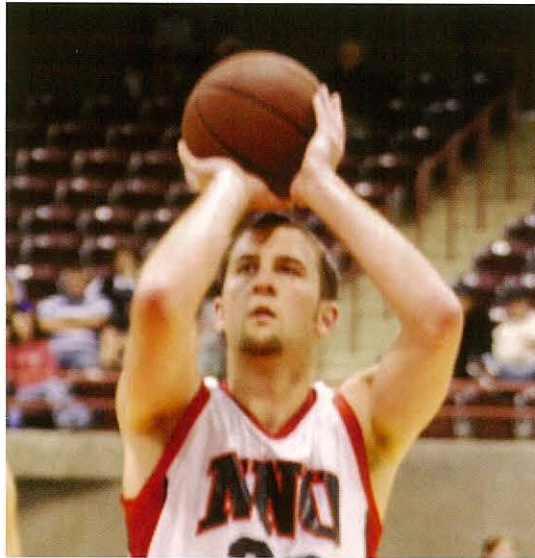
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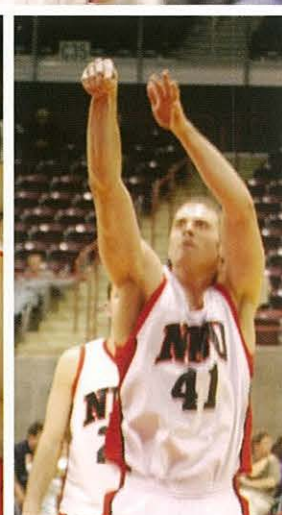
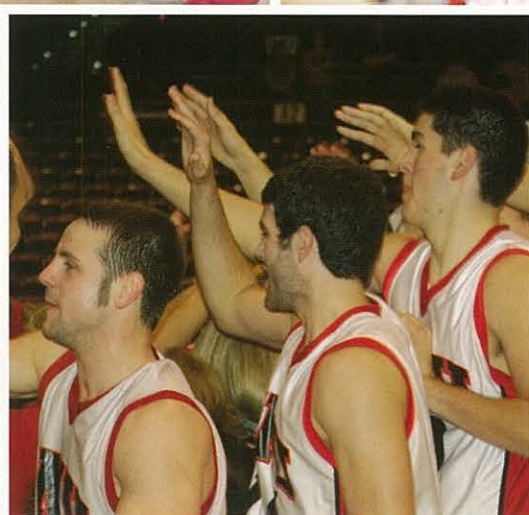
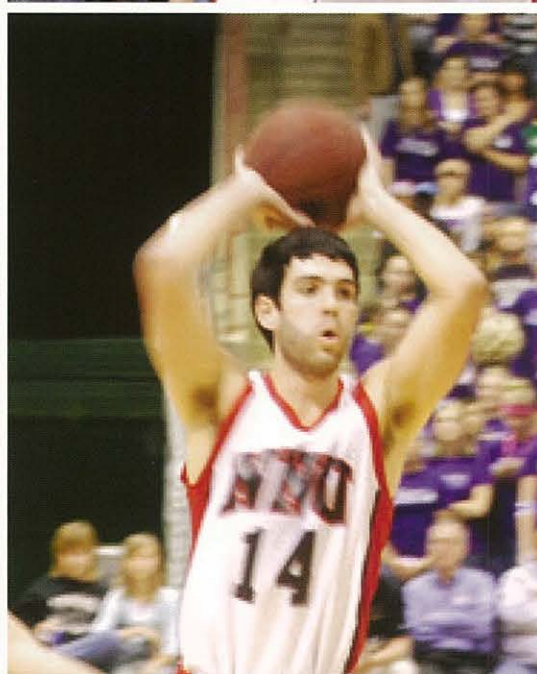
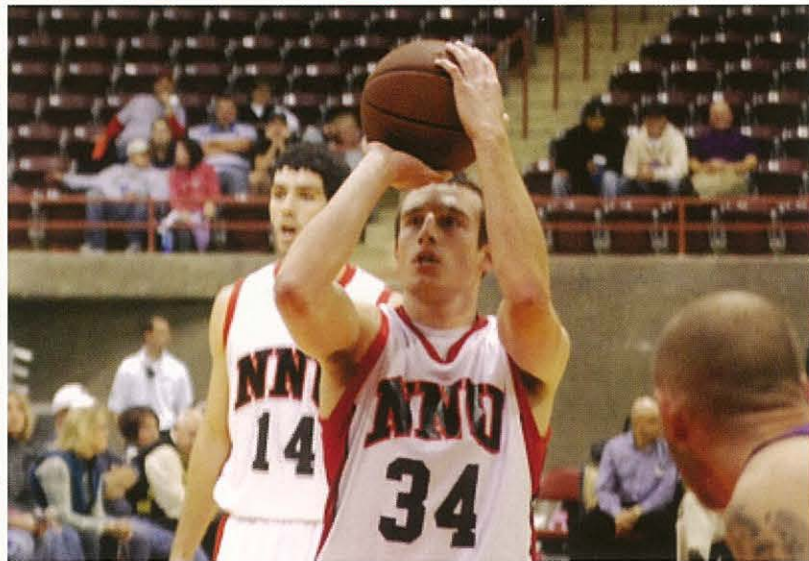
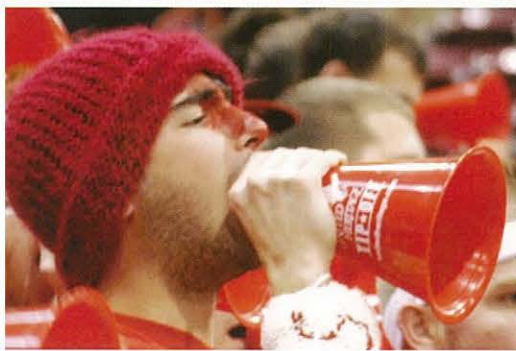




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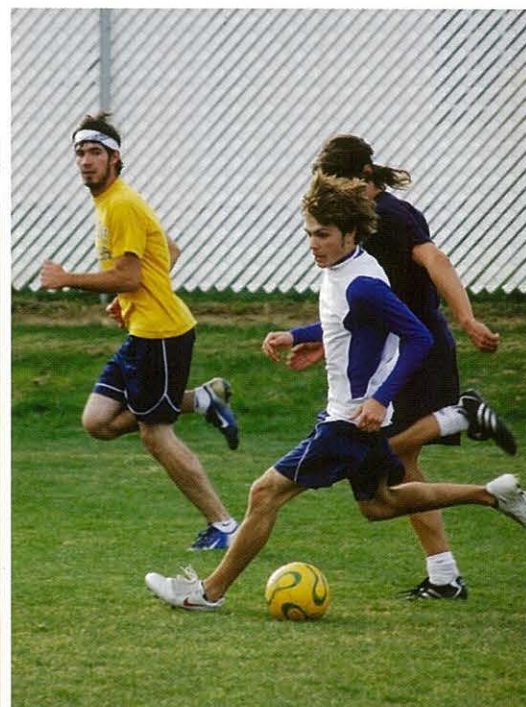
This year was yet another victory for our NNU men's basketball team against College of Idaho with a 76-71 score!





Intramurals

This year NNU offered intramural sports to students once again. Intramurals provided a way for students to connect, exercise, and take a break from studying for all those classes. Student-organized teams competed against each other throughout the schoolyear. Sports included soccer, basketball, and football.







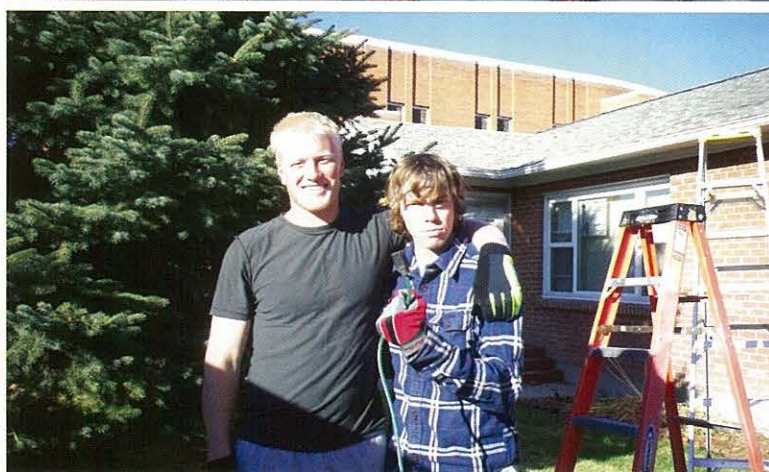
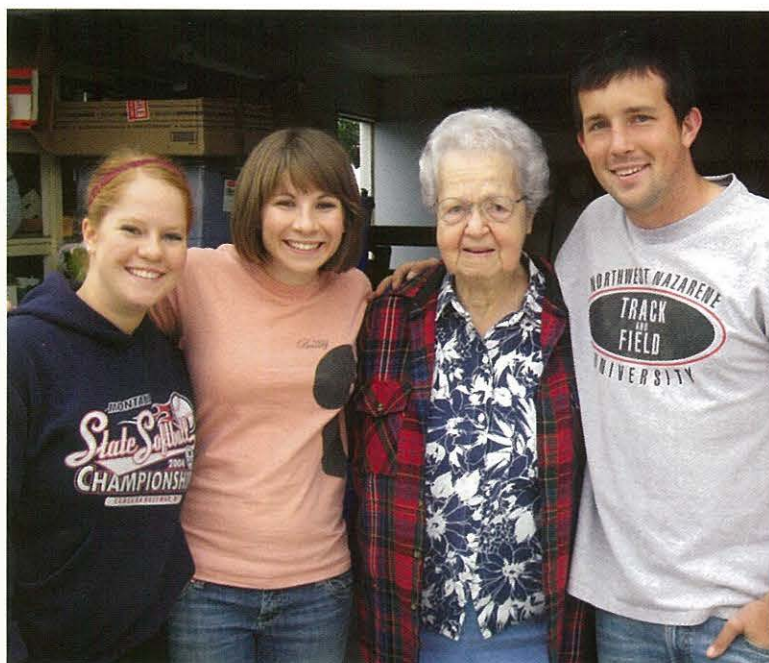


EXTRA CURRICULAR

"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word,
a listening ear, an honest accomplishment, or the smallest act of caring,
all of which have the potential to turn a life around." -Leo Buscaglia

Clubs

Clubs proved to be a great way for students to get involved. Clubs this year included Accounting Club, Alpha Epsilon Delta, A.M.A., Angels, Boanerges, Chemistry Club, College Democrats, College Republicans, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Homecoming Club, Hope House, Middle Eastern Affairs Club, Multicultural Club, Near Space Club, Student Nurses Association, Outdoor Recreation Club, PALS, Psych Club, Recycling Club, S.I.F.E., Social Work, and Society for a Change. Every year the club that stands out the most is awarded club of the year. This year, that club was S.I.F.E.





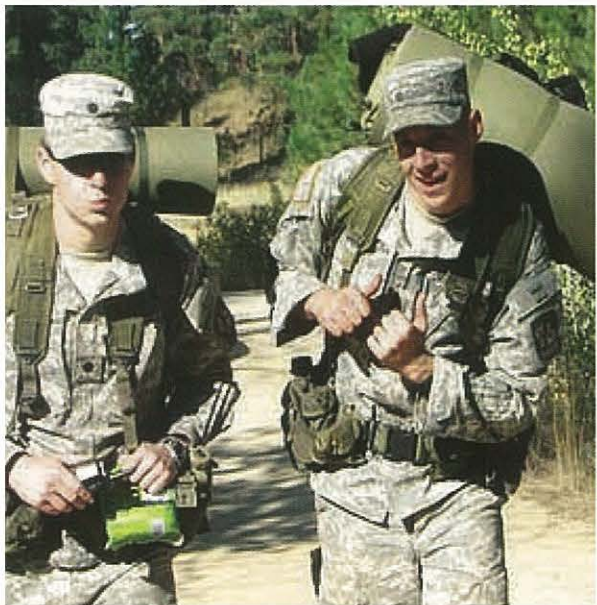




ROTC

All 13 of the cadets worked hard to have a fun and productive year in the military science department.





Study Abroad

Australia - Taryn Gunstream, Chelsey Jones,
Danielle Rogers, Jaclyn Bourdon

Costa Rica - Kyle Luthman

Egypt - Alex Corn, Andrew Knapp

England - Rob Uehlin

New Zealand - Ben Pearson

Romania - Kelly Sandlin, Calcy Gabert

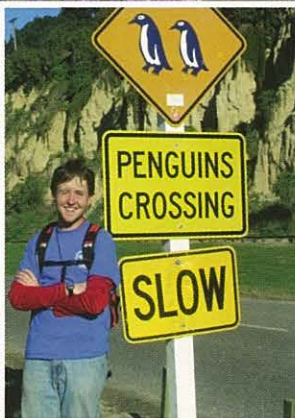
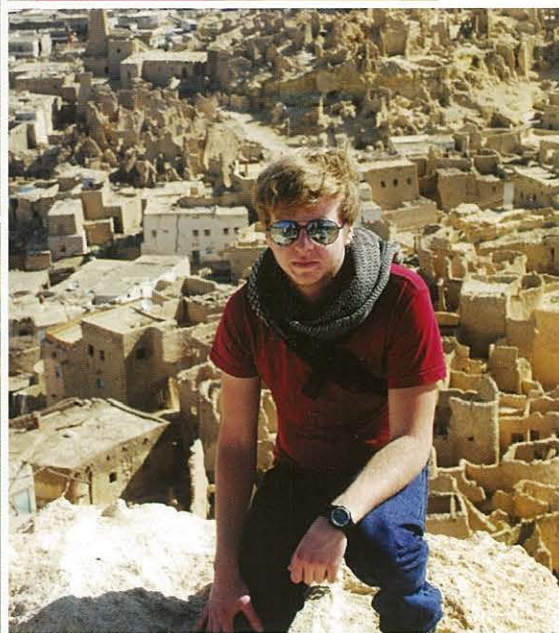
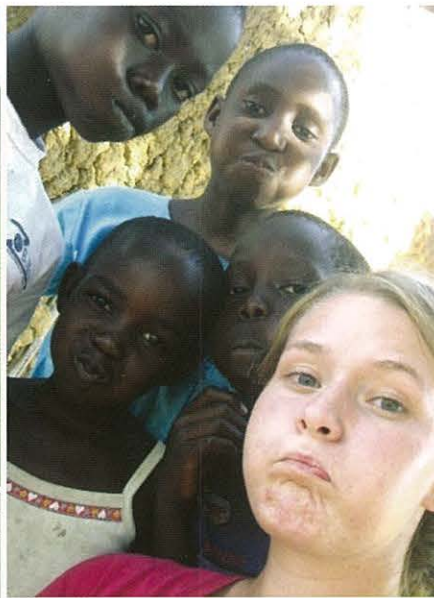
Russia - Seth Clark

Switzerland - Jenna Redmond

Uganda - Tyler Mostul, Cassie Carlson,
Seth Ott, Trevan Hauck

Washington DC - Ian Bauder





Missions

- China - Brooke Thomas
- Guatemala - Kendra Hughes
- DR Congo - Jeff Laird
- Philippines - Jesse Pugel
- Rwanda - Sarah Pence, Hannah Beers, Cassie Carlson
- South Africa - Leah Whiting
- Thailand - Karina Elzinga
- Trinidad & Tobago - Ariel Glover
- Zambia - Julia Fitch





“LIVING IT UP”

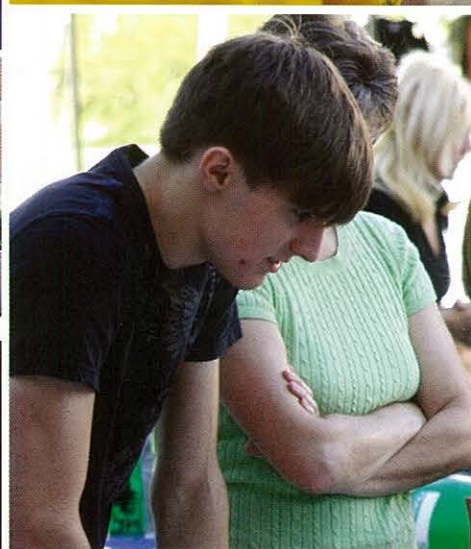
"Far away, there in the sunshine, are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they lead."

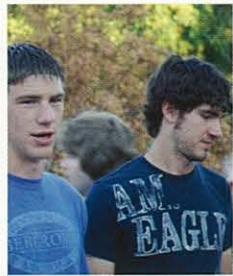
-Louisa May Alcott

Welcome Week

Moving on Up

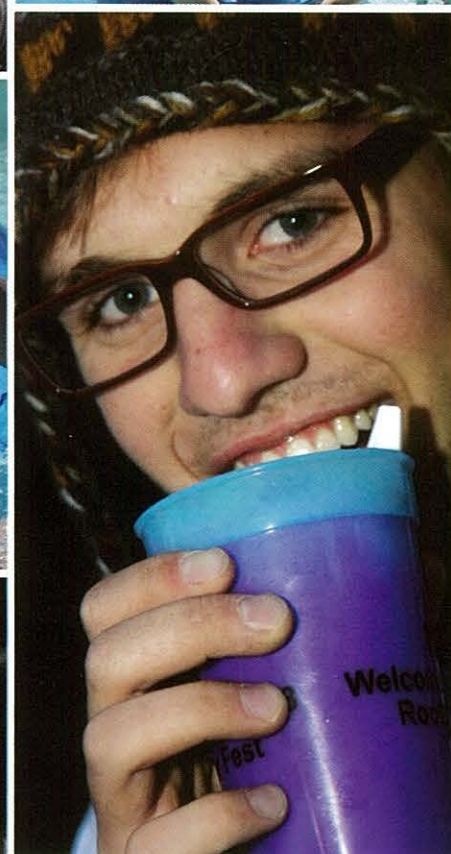
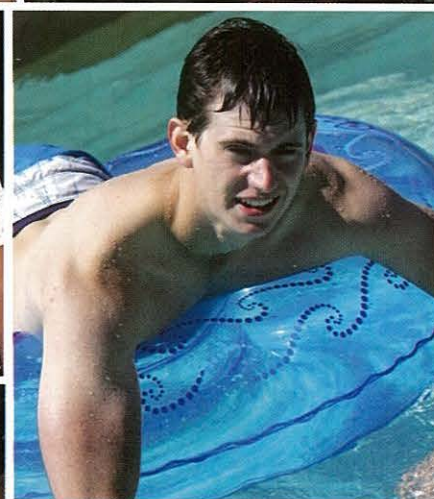
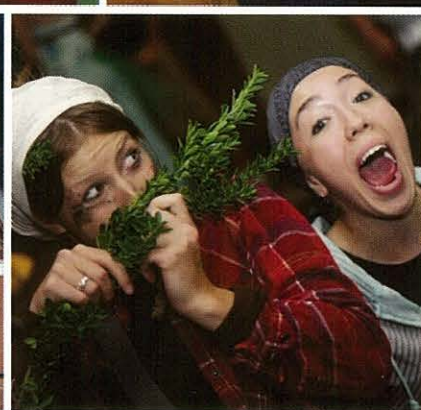
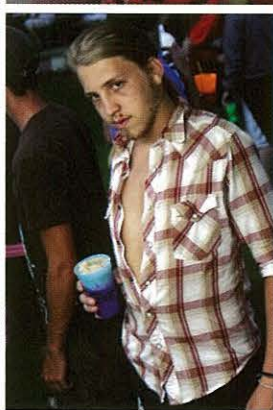
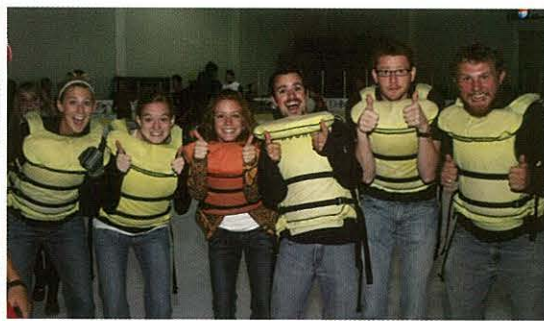
Move-in weekend is a weekend full of relationship-building activities for the incoming freshman class. Annual events included student orientation, the Business Tent giveaways, the Ice Cream Social, the Scavenger Hunt, and the Rendezvous dinner.

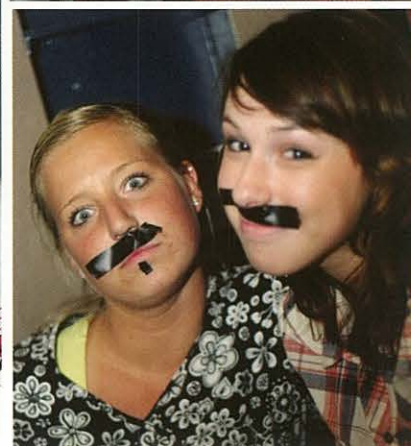
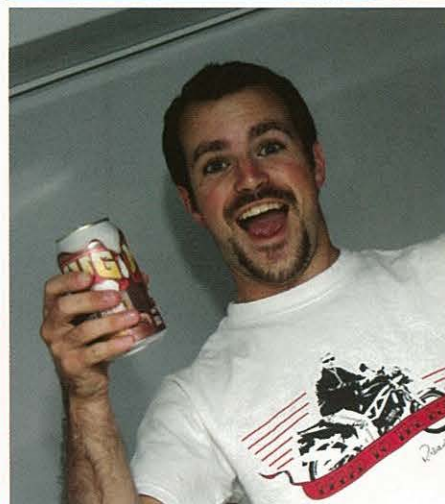
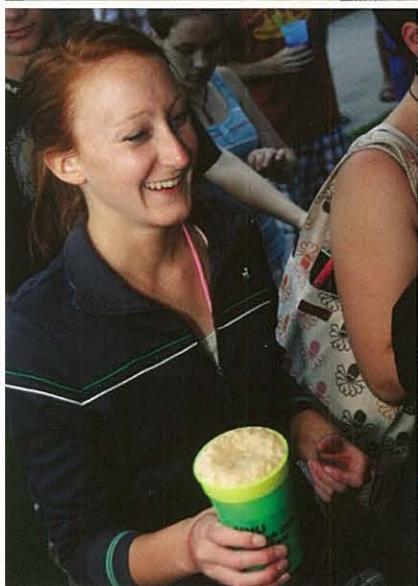




Malibu Days

Malibu Days occurred during the first full week of school as is tradition at NNU. This fun-filled week started off with a number of different community-building activities for new and returning students alike. Among the many events this year, highlights included a bonfire, Root Beer Fest, Malibu Café, Jazz on the Lawn, and Water Sports at Roaring Springs.



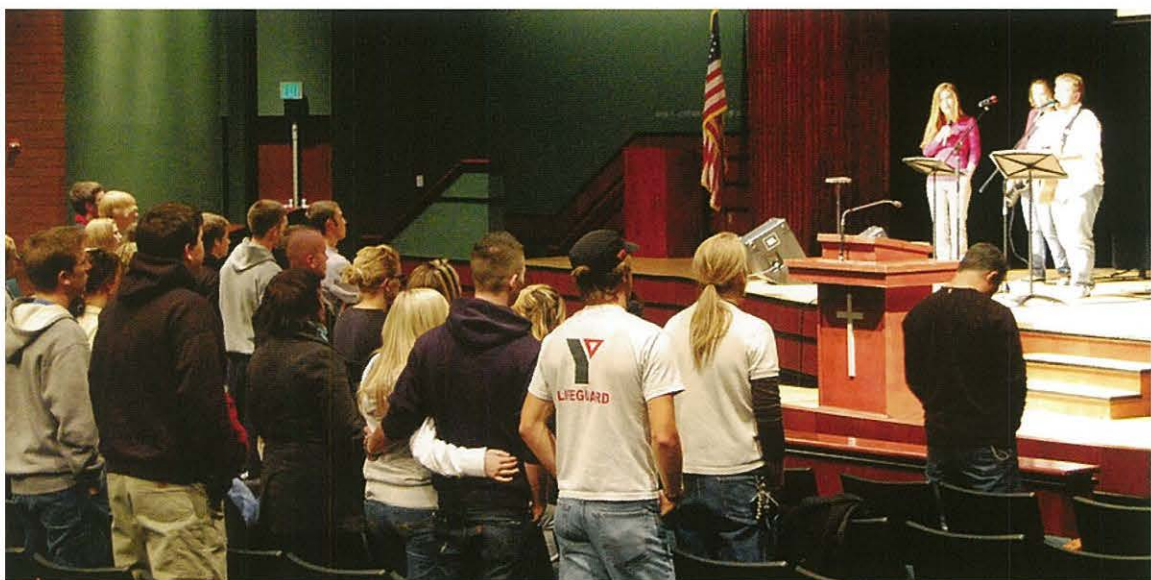


Spiritual Emphasis

October 6th - 10th

Spiritual Emphasis week is a time set aside early each fall semester for the entire NNU community. Each person is asked to spend some time giving serious thought to his or her spiritual life and growth. Jim Manker, pastor of Seattle Aurora Church of the Nazarene, was the selected speaker this year.

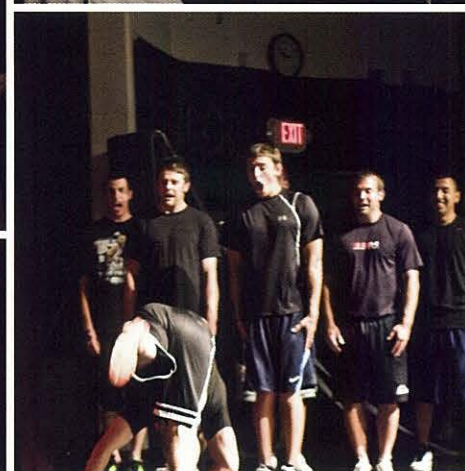
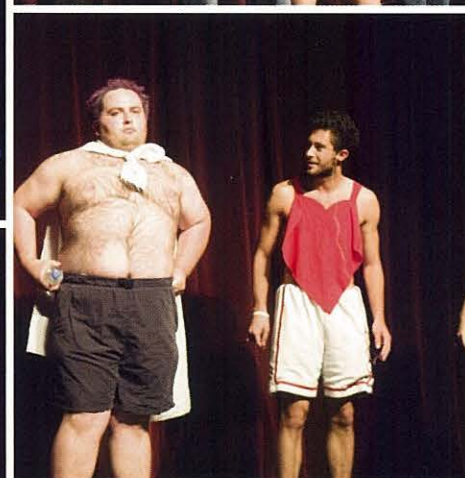
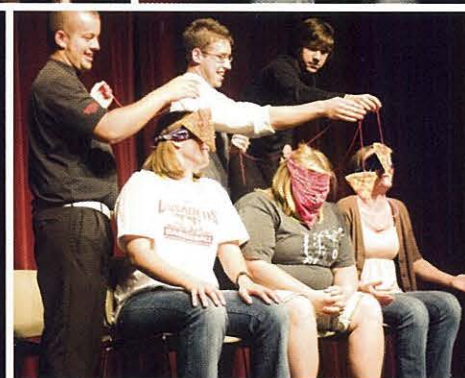


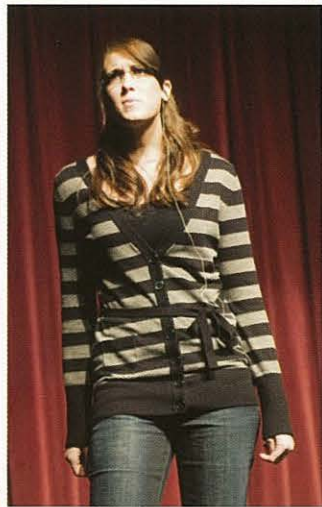


Fresheree

Black Out

Fresheree is a class-wide talent competition that the Sophomore Class Council organizes every year. This year's theme was Black Out. Brittan Aebischer, Nate Berrian, and Rowdy Hope hosted the event. Acts included humorous skits and videos, musical numbers, and dances performed by students from each class.

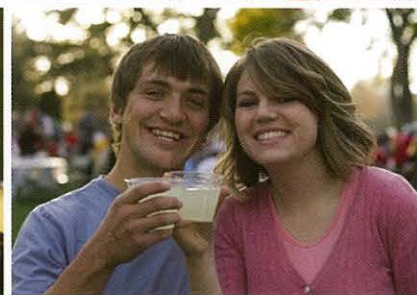
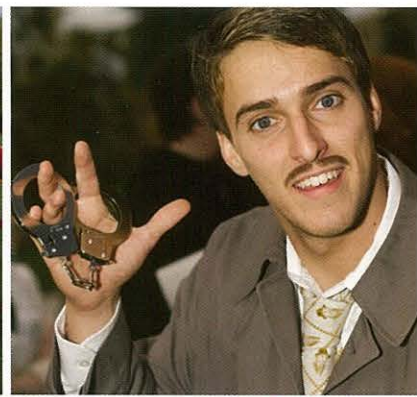




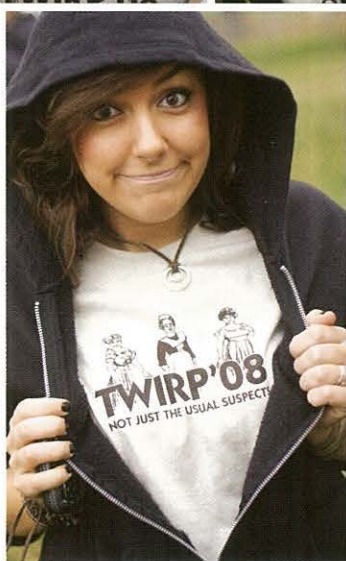
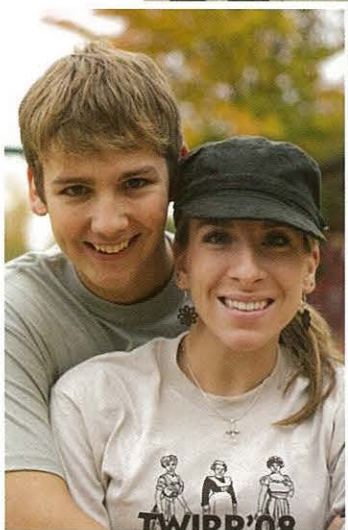
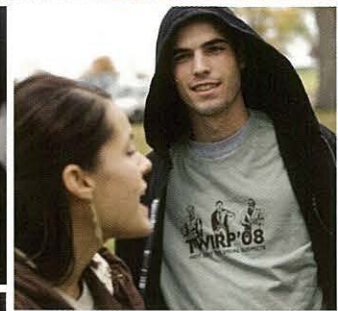
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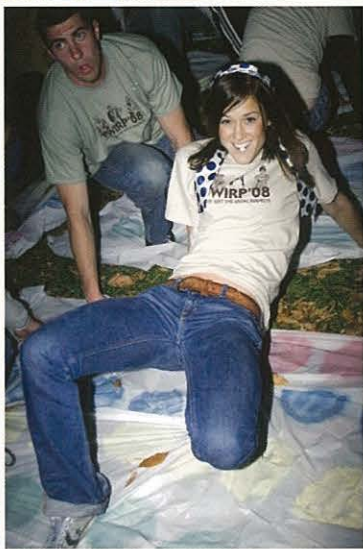
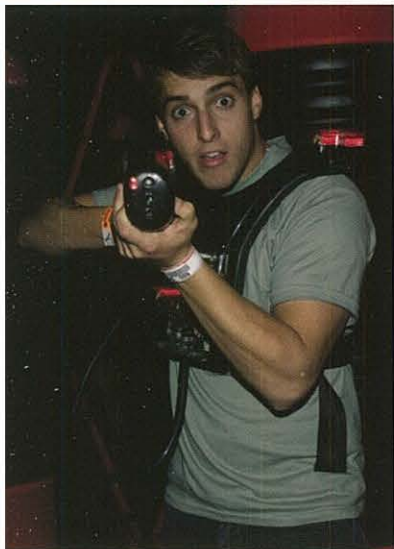
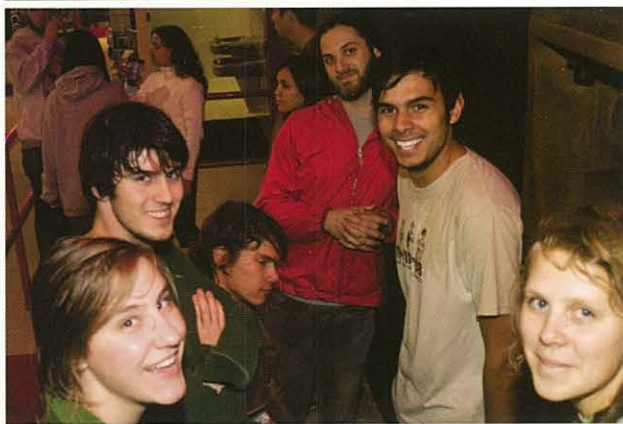
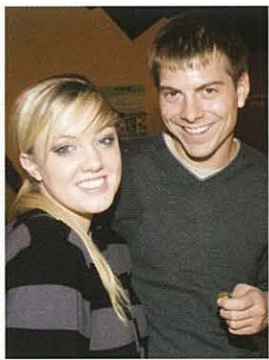
Board Games

TWIRP, also known as The Woman Is Required to Pay, has been a tradition at NNU since its introduction 11 years ago. This ladies' choice event was, by far, the largest group date of the year. The "Board Games" theme for this year allowed students' imaginations to run wild. Friday night began with dinner on the Brandt Center lawn, a game of Human Clue, trick-or-canning, bowling, pumpkin carving, and riding a mechanical bull and a gyroscope. Saturday night, students ate dinner at Duck Park, played a giant Twister game, wandered through the corn maze, had a blast at Boondocks, and watched a movie at midnight.



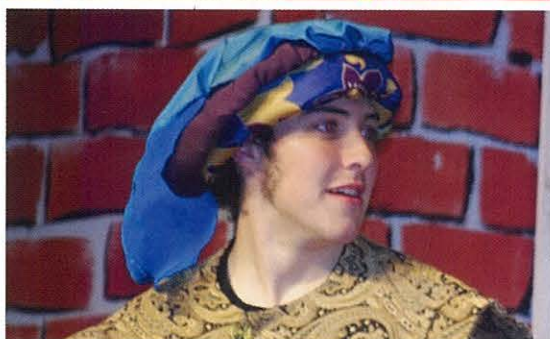






Fall Play

A Servant Of Two Masters



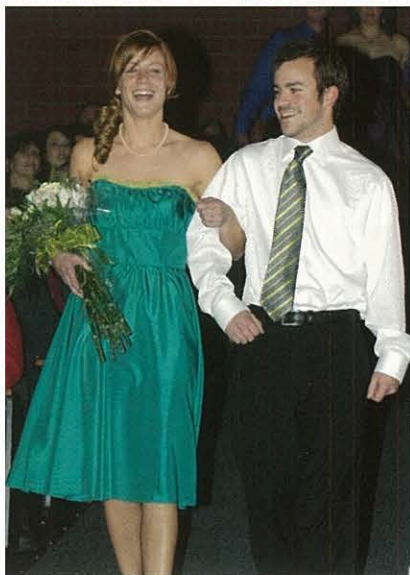
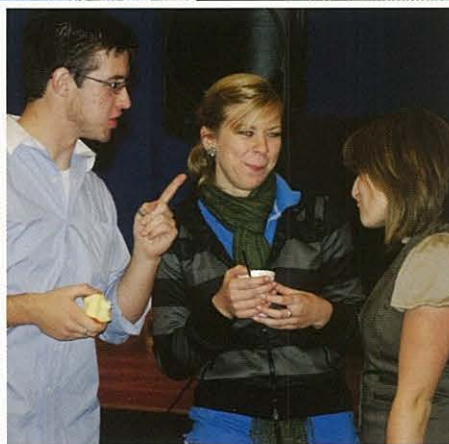


Homecoming

We've Got Spirit, Yes We Do.

This year, homecoming week included multiple competitions. Each day of the week, the classes competed against each other to win a themed clothing competition. The classes fought for best-decorated dorms, as well as having a penny drive competition. This year, the homecoming parade made a comeback after a 20-year absence. Class council and campus clubs decorated golf carts. First place was the Recycle Club, second place was the Middle Eastern Affairs Club, and third place was the Sophomore Class golf cart. The Freshman Class cart won a pizza party as overall winners. Other festivities included a bonfire, fireworks, and numerous athletic events. This year's homecoming court included freshmen Ryan Mangum and Heather Pence, sophomores David Reimer and Ariel Glover, juniors Seth Clark and Miriam Reardon, and seniors Robert Poe, Danielle Wilson, Kari Penrod. Senior Dax Wandling and Hannah Beers were elected homecoming king and queen.

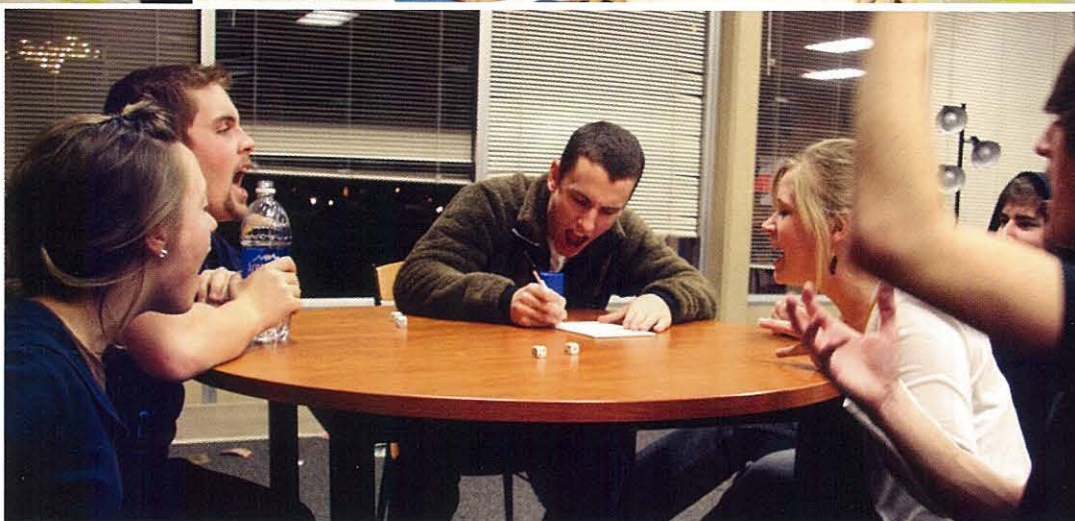
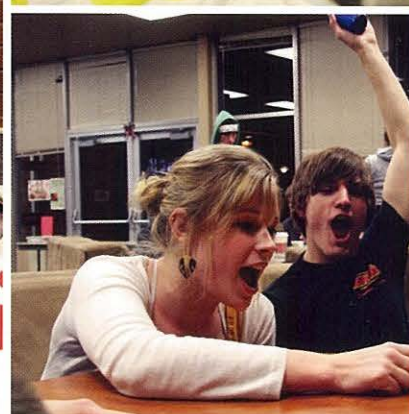




Game Night

Procrastination Party

The Procrastination Party takes place each fall as a means of putting off studying for finals for just a few hours more. Students enjoyed playing board games and Twister, as well as just taking a study break to talk and laugh with friends.

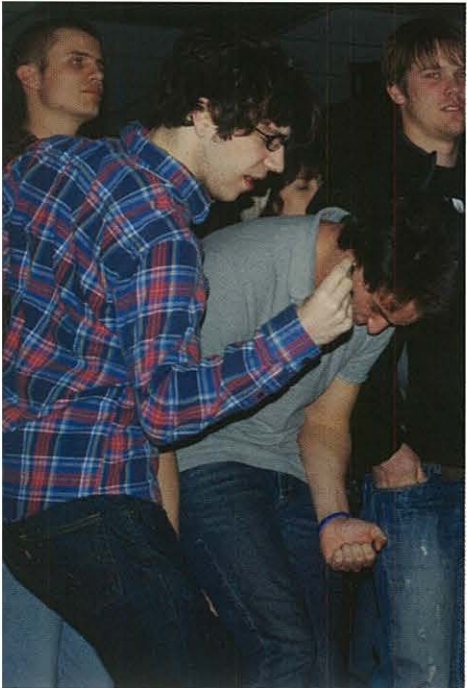
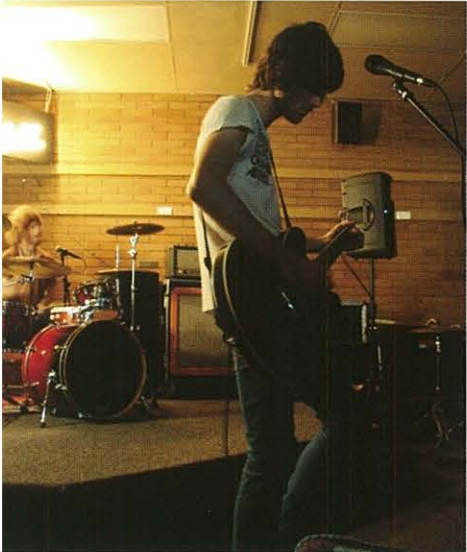


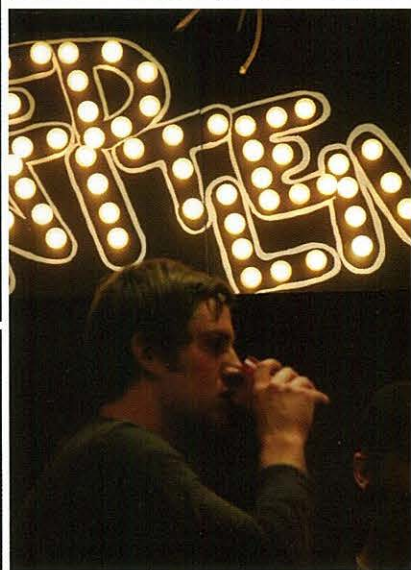
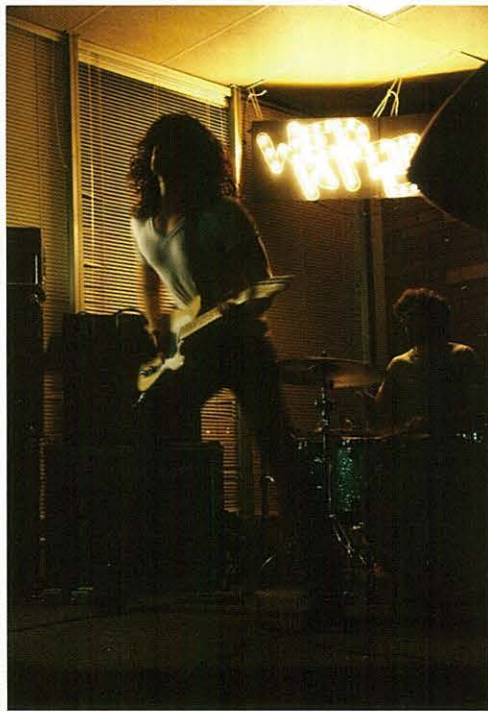
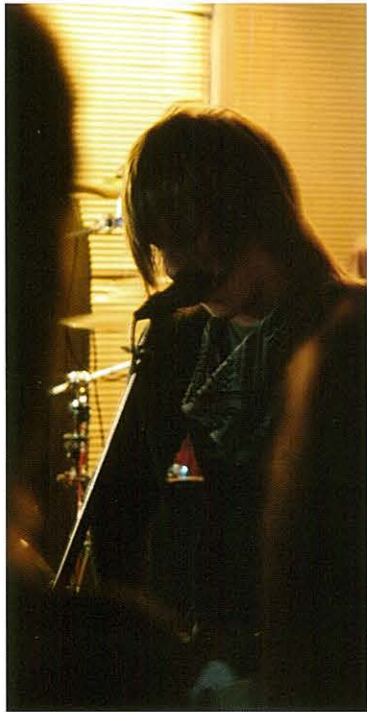
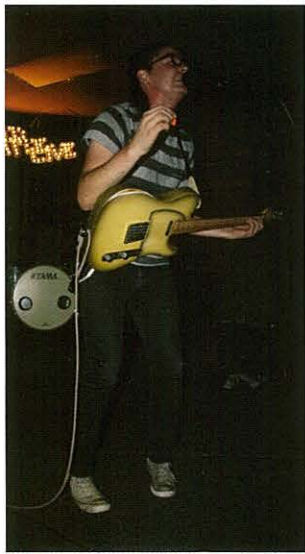


WNL

Wednesday Night Live

The Perk was a hopping hang-out spot for students this year. Wednesday Night Live offered a variety of singers and musical styles. In addition, the ever-popular NNU Idol contest took place, complete with NNU's very own "Randy," "Paula," and "Simon." The Perk also housed an Election Day event, along with many other club-related and university-related activities throughout the school year.



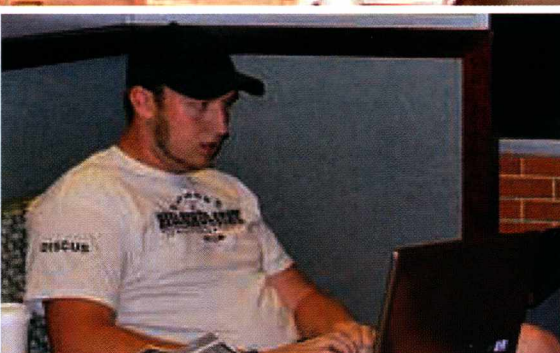
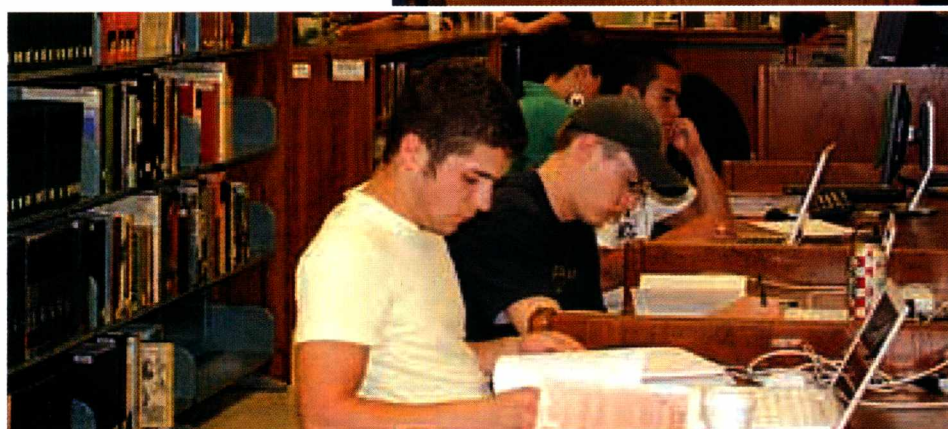
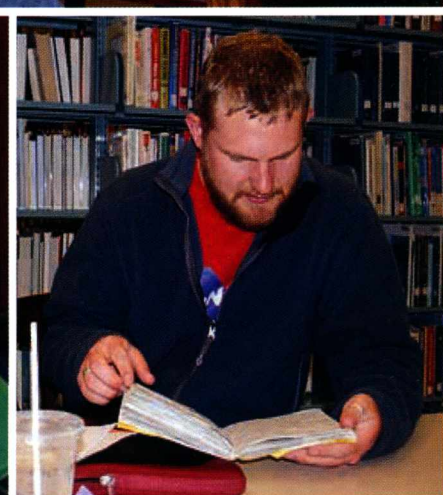
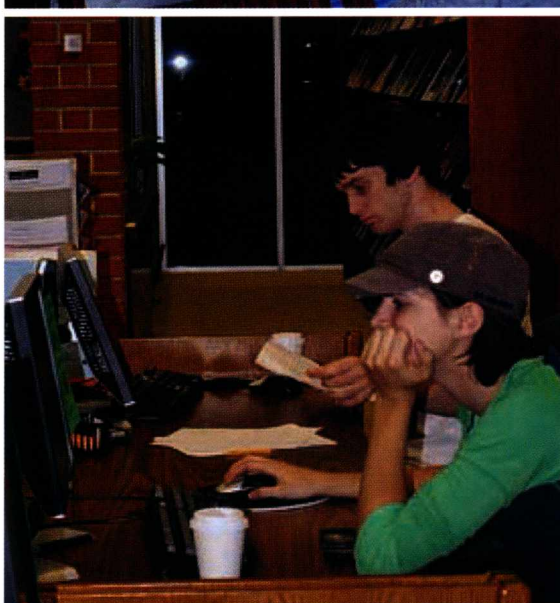
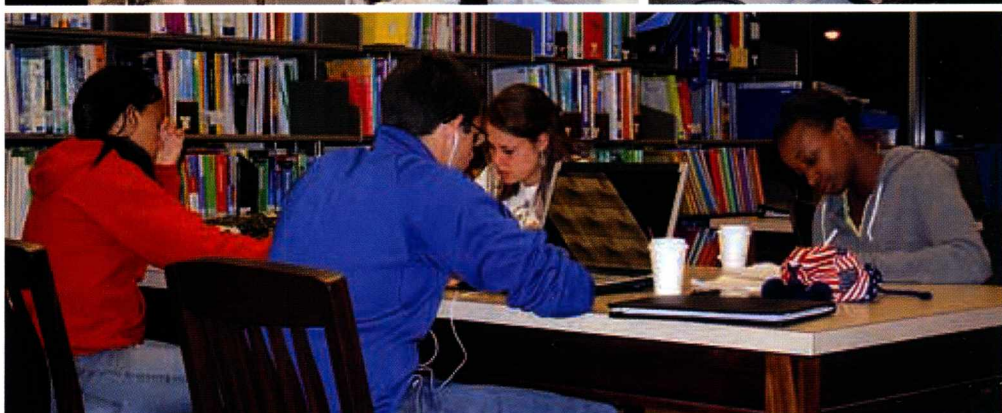


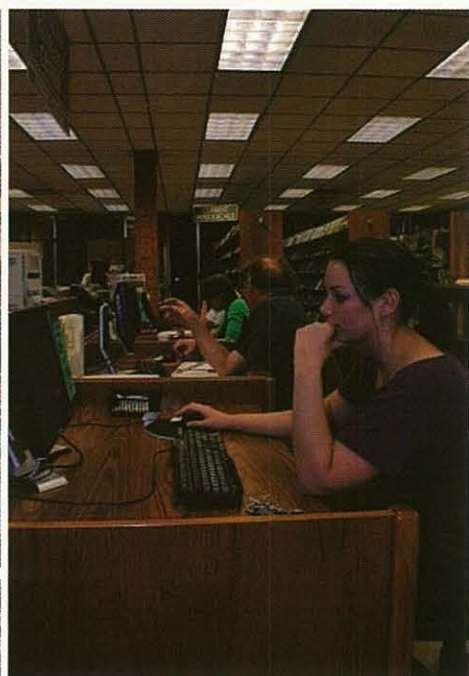
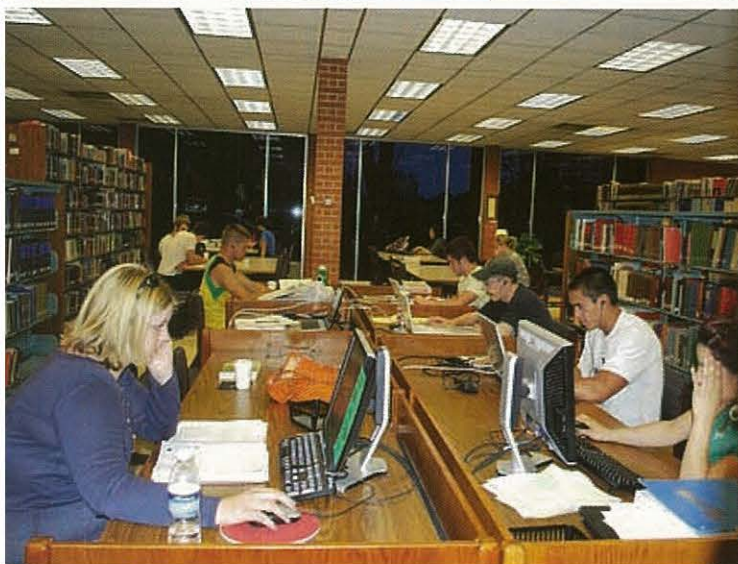
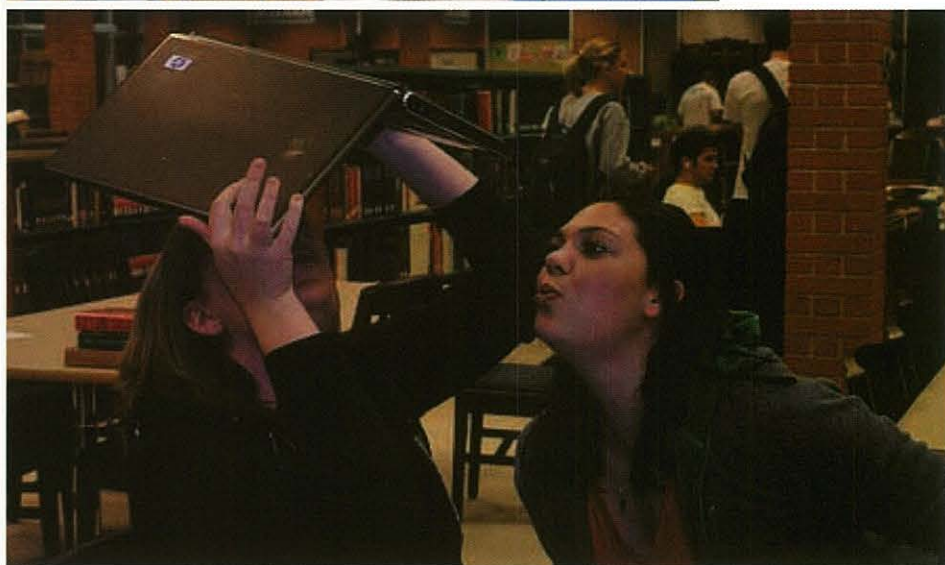
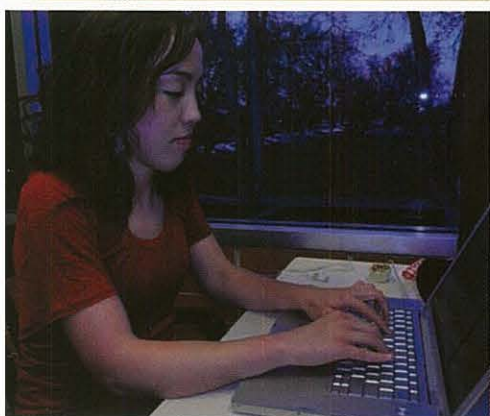
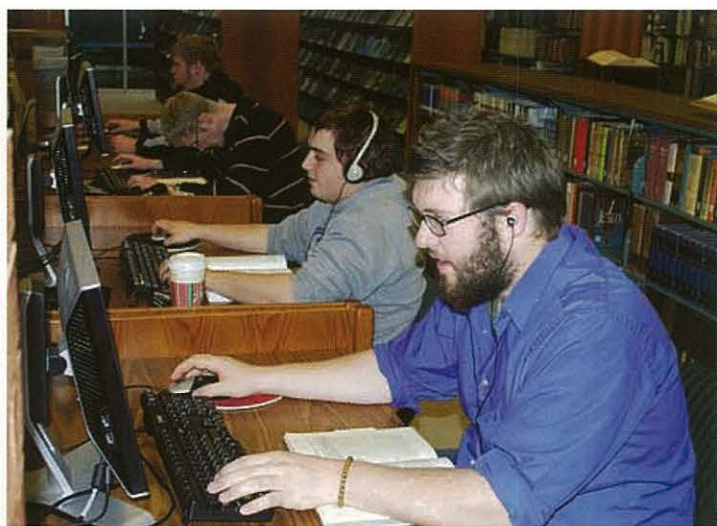
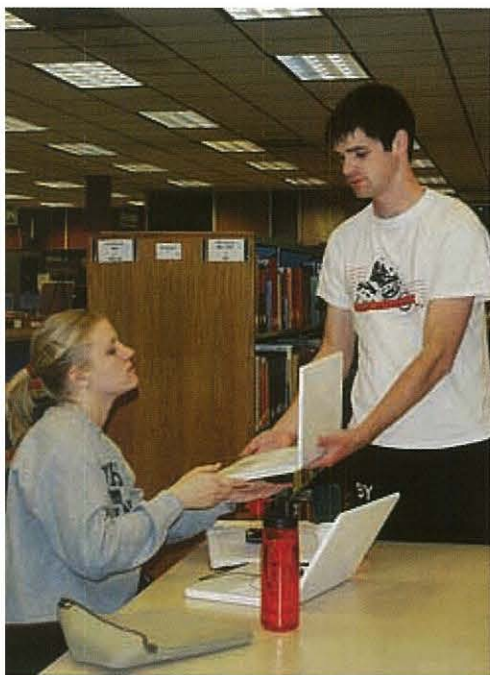


Late Night in the Library

Study Hard

Finals week often brings students to the library to study either alone in quiet or with fellow students. During the week before finals there are snacks and drinks to keep students happy, energized and focused.





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"I am here (1) by God's appointment, (2) in his keeping, (3) under his training, (4) for his time." -Andrew Murray

Mission Trips

Taiwan & Mexico

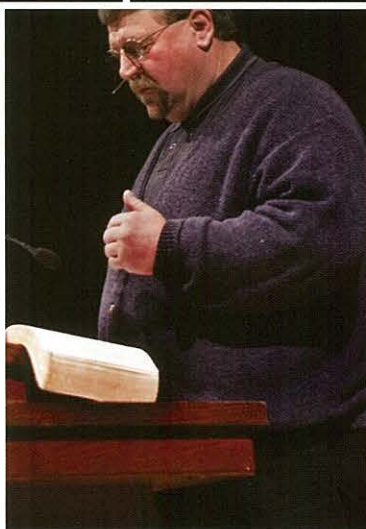
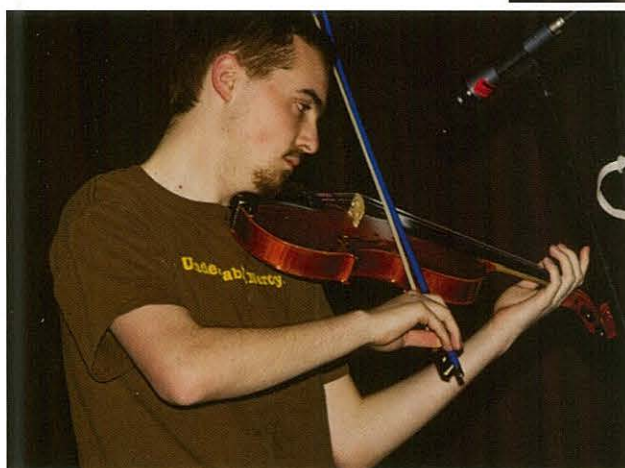
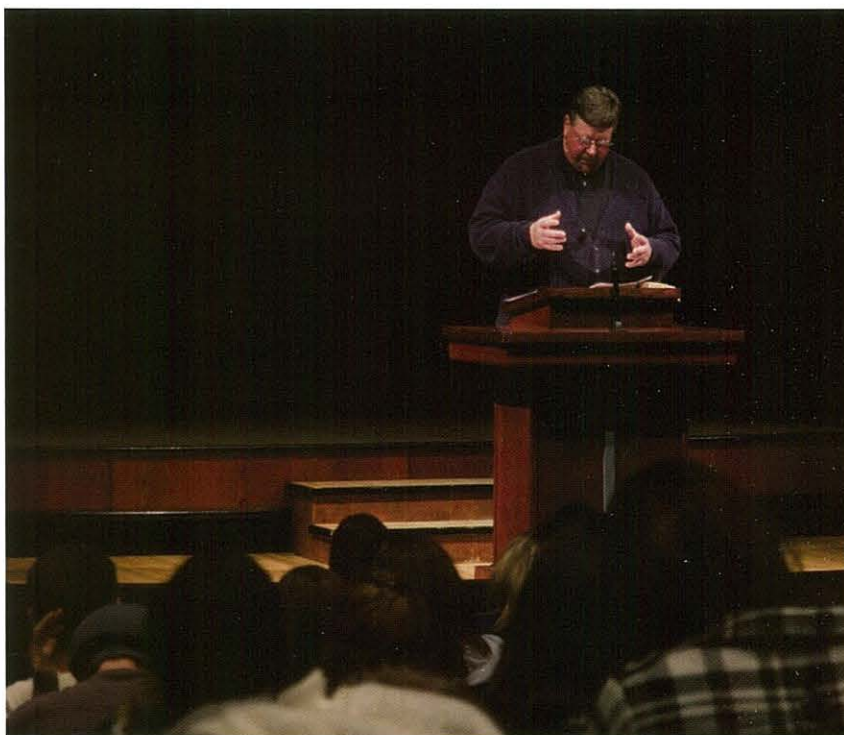


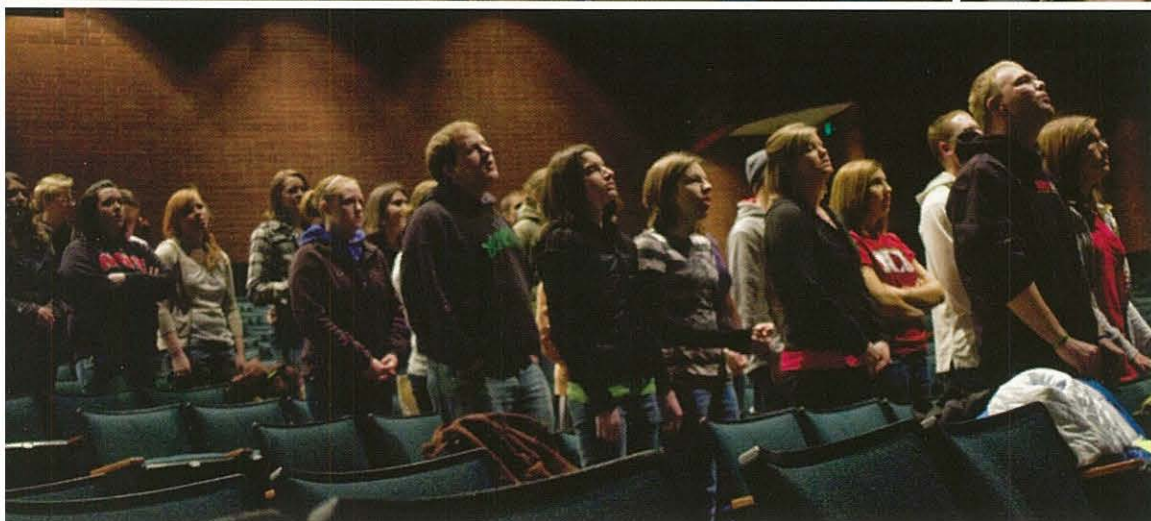
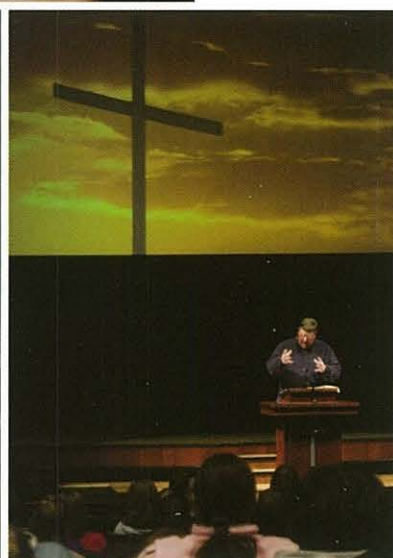
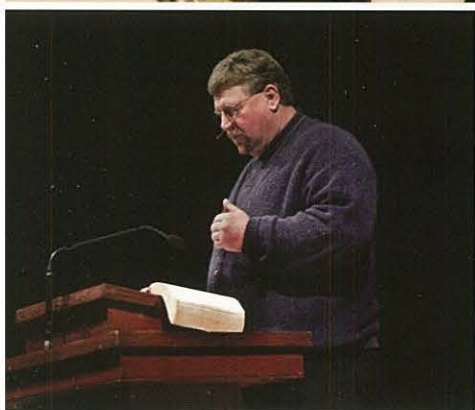


Winter Awakening

January 28th - 30th

Winter Awakening contained a series of chapel services that were arranged by the SGA Campus Ministries Coordinator, Rylee Curtis. Rylee invited Mike Schnitker from Burns, Oregon, to speak, as he is someone who has made a significant impact on her spiritual life. Mike's message focused primarily on attitude toward the Bible, Jesus Christ, and sin, challenging us to take on a Christian attitude.

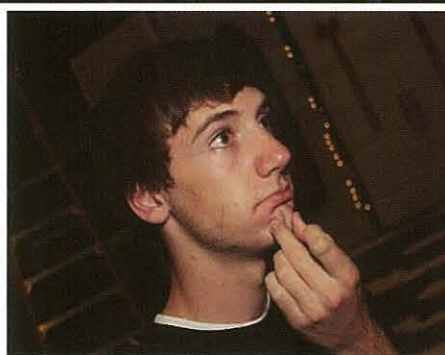
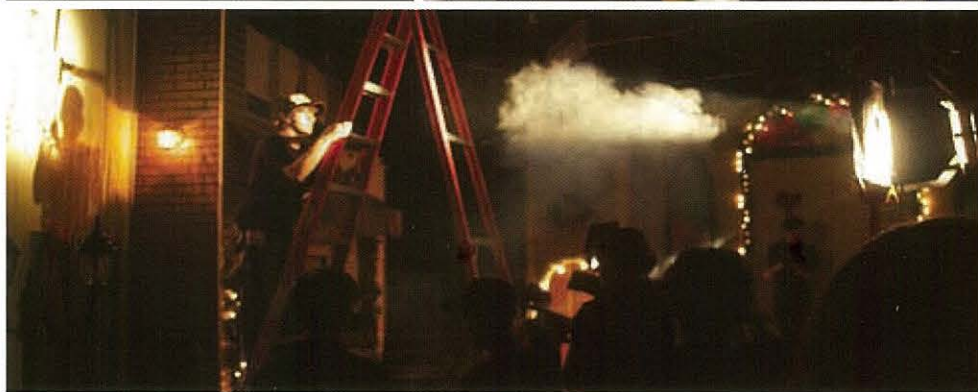
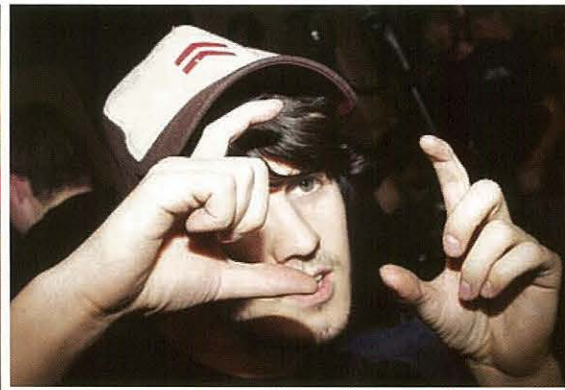
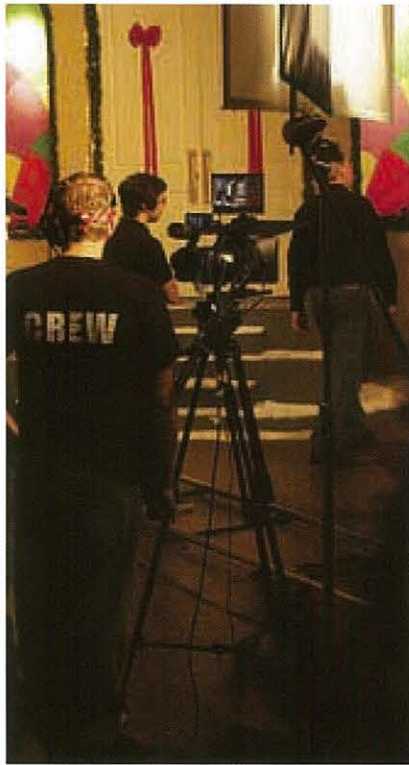




Idaho Family Christmas

Lights, Camera, Action

This was the sixth year that faculty and students of the Mass Communication major produced a sixty-minute Christmas TV special called, "An Idaho Family Christmas." Work on the show began as soon as school started in August, and it was taped over six days in early November. It aired on NBC affiliates across the state, as well as on cable and satellite. Every Mass Comm student spent dozens of hours working on the program, though it is extra-curricular. Sophomore Troy Watters was the Producer of this year's show, which was directed by juniors Matt Henry and Nate Berrian, and senior Lynelle Thompson.

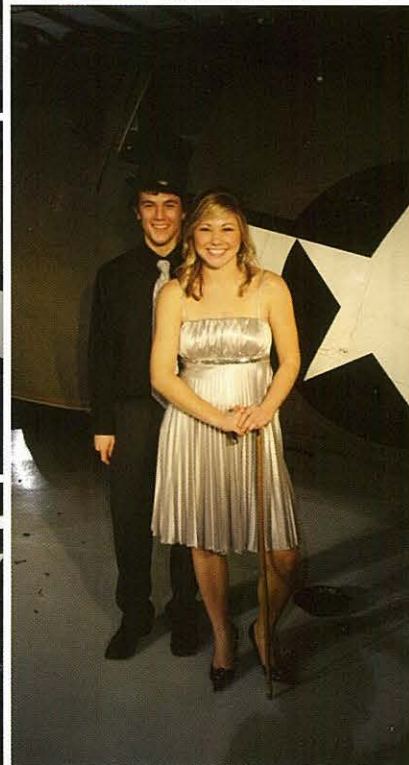


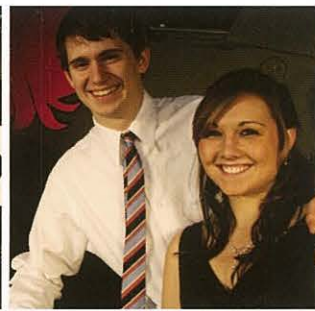


Valentine's Banquet

Breakfast at Tiffany's

The Valentine's Banquet, held at the Warhawk Museum was put together by The Social Board with wonderful decorations for the "Breakfast at Tiffany's" theme. Students enjoyed walking around and looking at the airplanes in the museum, as well as listening to or participating in the student-led entertainment, which centered around a stand-up comedy section. To add a new twist, featured speaker, Dr. Thomas Oord, spoke about love.

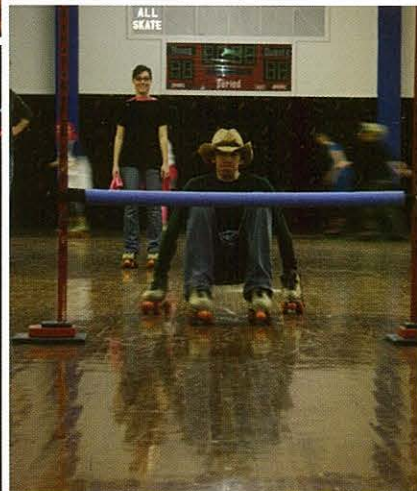
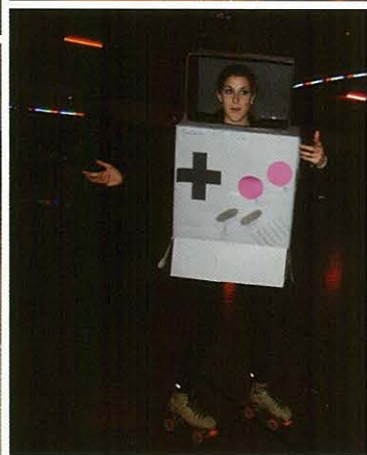
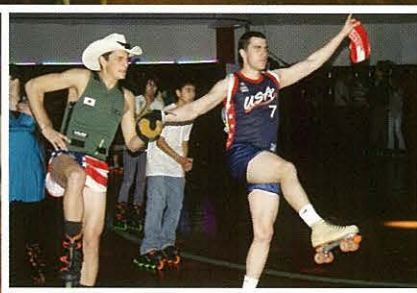


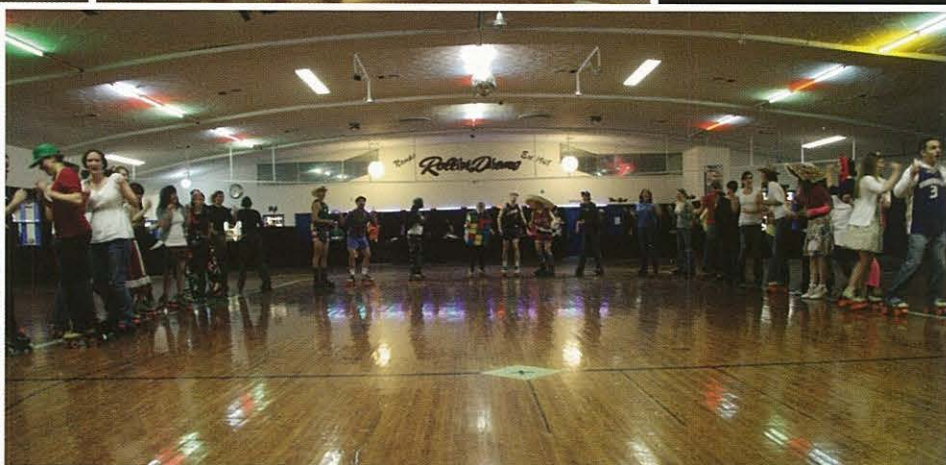
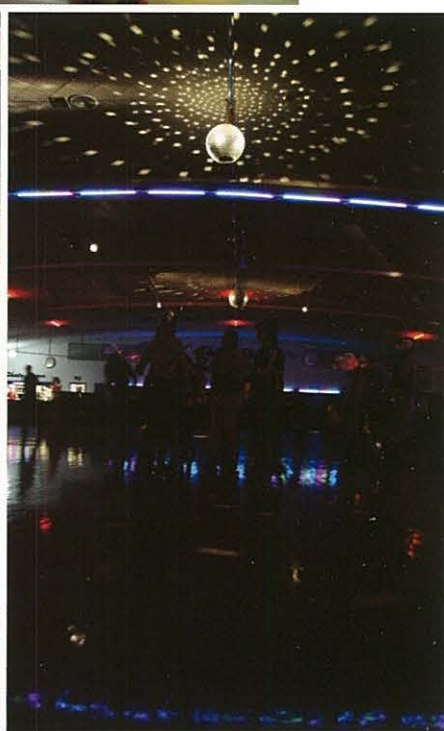


Rollerscamming

Out of the Toy Chest

The theme for Rollerscamming this year was "Out of the Toy Chest," where students were to dress up as toys. Around 100 students participated in the event. Many enjoyed just feeling like a kid again. As is tradition, most all the students joined in for the hokey pokey. Overall, the students who attended experienced a great bonding time of skating and laughing together.

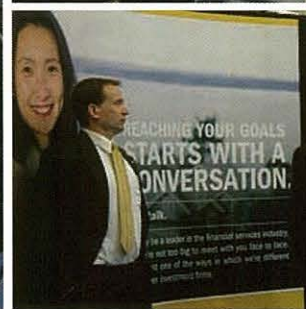




Career Week

Exploring Possibilities

Career Week offered students a variety of avenues to get information about not only finding a good job but finding the best job for that particular student. The week kicked off with the Etiquette Dinner and fashion show. Students had access to the Career Fair as well as opportunities like Personal Career Counseling all week. Overall, Career Week had another successful year.





Mr. NNU

Arabian Nights

A night were selected men from each class compete in a "pageant" to become the next Mr. NNU.

Freshmen:

Amos Henderschott, Elias Kamplain

Sophomores:

Kyle Blaser

Juniors:

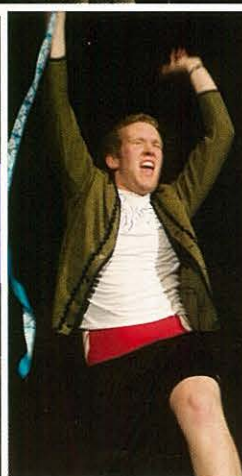
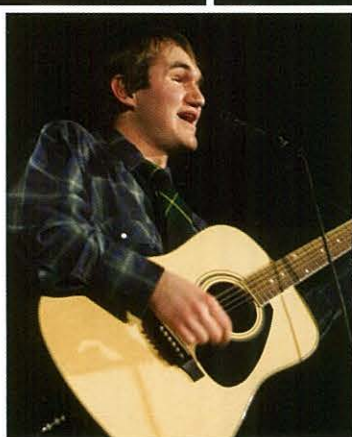
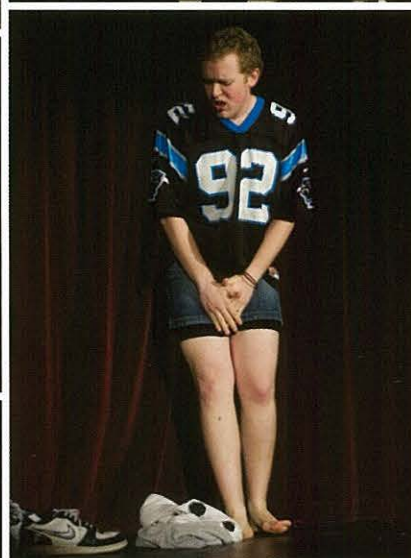
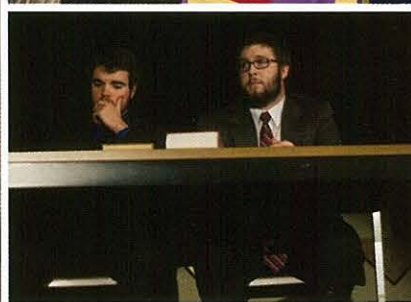
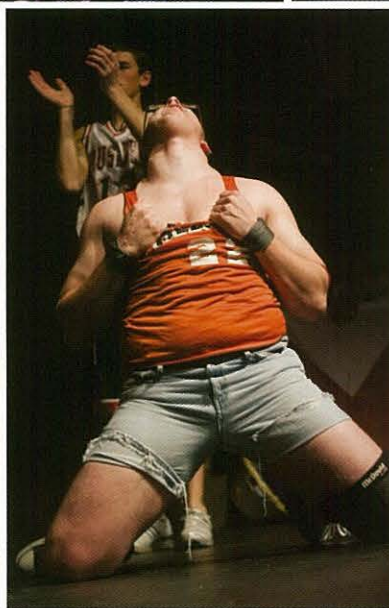
Grant Miller, Greg Desimmone

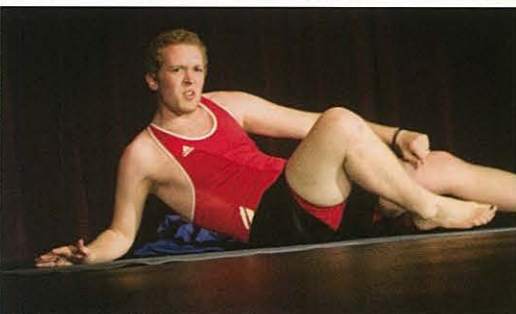
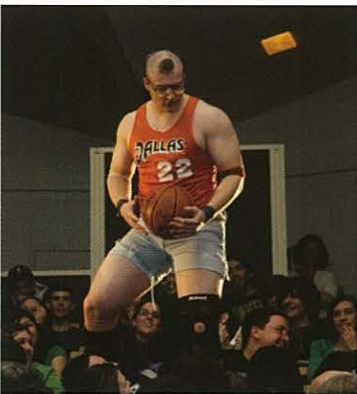
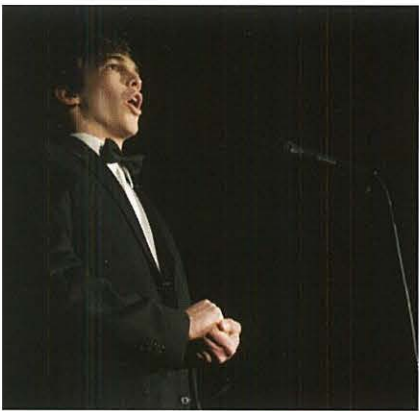
Seniors:

Sean McCarthy, DaxWandling

Hosts: Mike Wheatley, Eddie Wheeler

2008-2009 Mr. NNU: Grant Miller

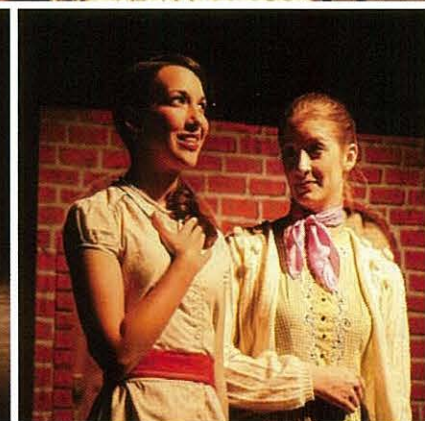
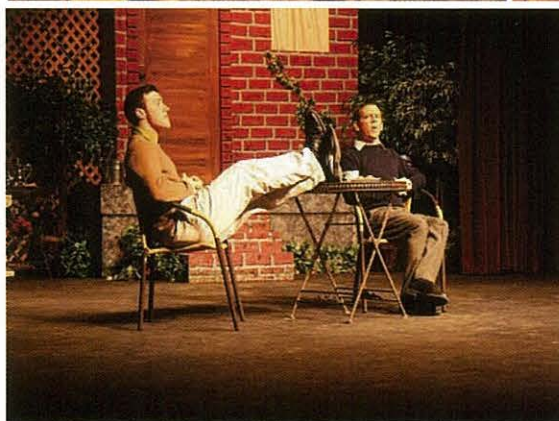
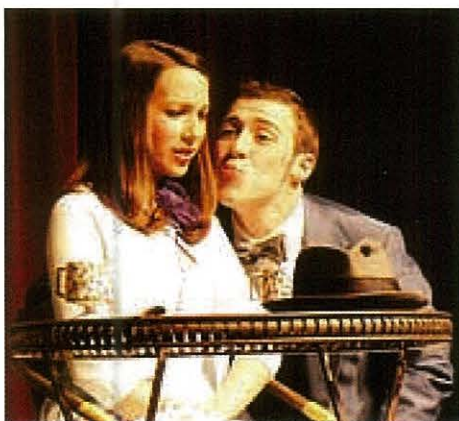
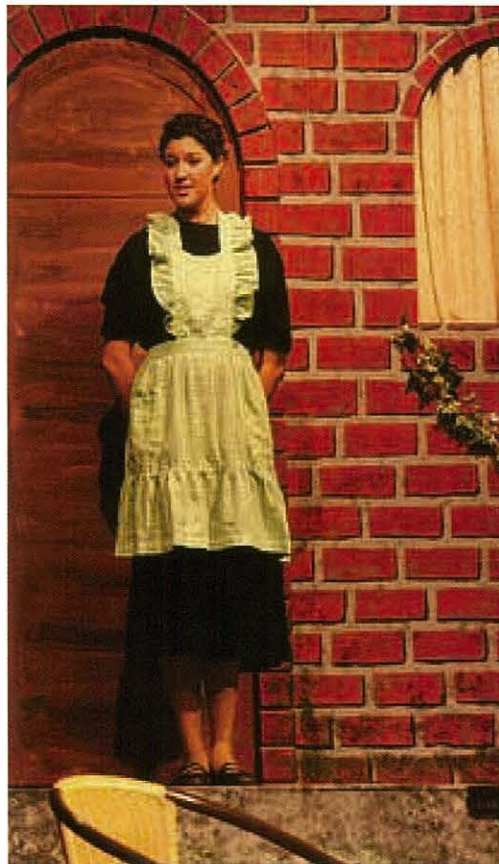


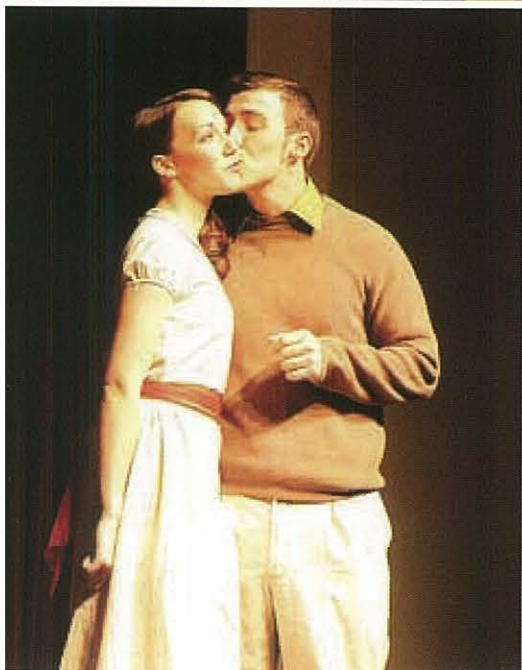
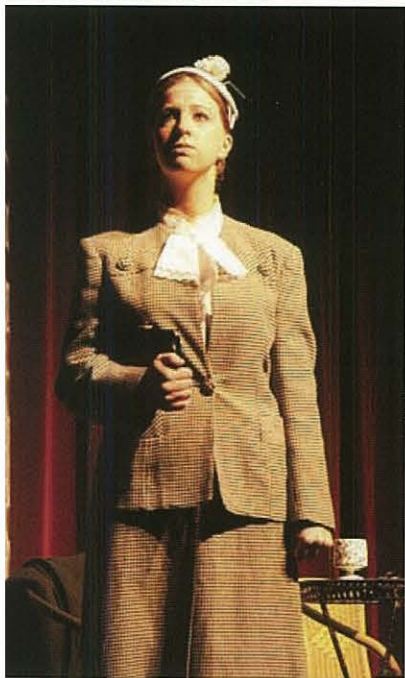


Jr. Class Play

The Importance of Being Earnest

This year's junior class play, *The Importance of Being Earnest*, centered around Jack Worthing, a man who lived comfortably in the country with his ward, Cecily Cardew. However, things became complicated when Jack visited the city under the false name of Ernest and fell for Gwendolyn Fairfax. Miss Fairfax's cousin, Algernon Moncrieff, traveled to the country also using the false name Ernest where he fell in love with Jack's ward, Cecily. This year's junior class play was filled with false identities and the realization of true love. It proved to be a huge hit. Cast members included Matthew Davis as John "Jack" Worthing, Erik Valenti as Algernon "Algy" Moncrieff, Joelle Friesen as Lady Bracknell, Rachel Allen as Gwendolyn Fairfax, Louissa Sauter as Cecily Cardew, Brenna Monahan as Miss Laetitia Prism, Dax Wandling as Rev. Chausable, Brandon Haskins as Lane, and Erica Boehlke as Merriman.

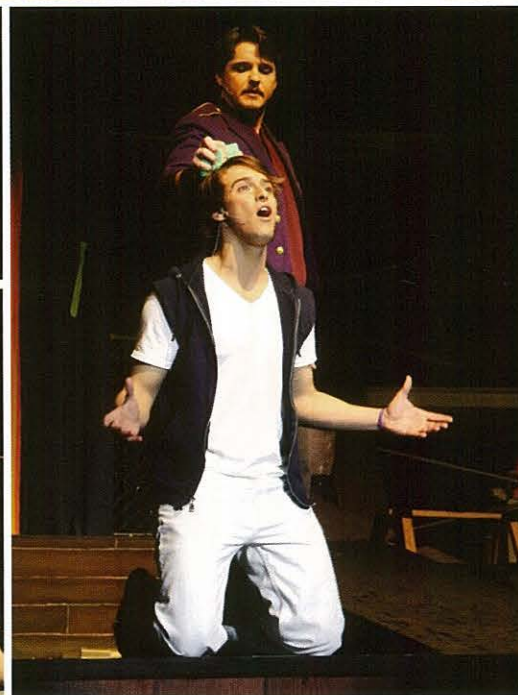
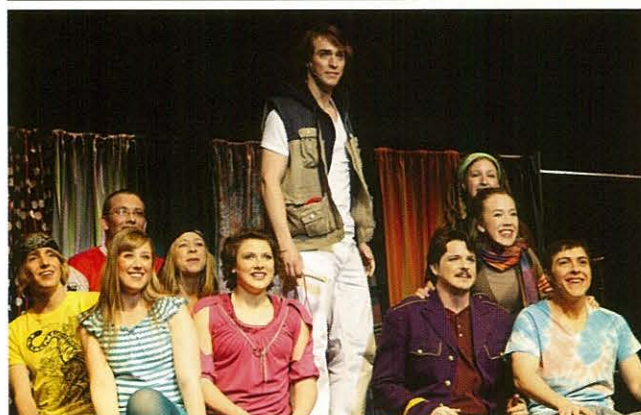
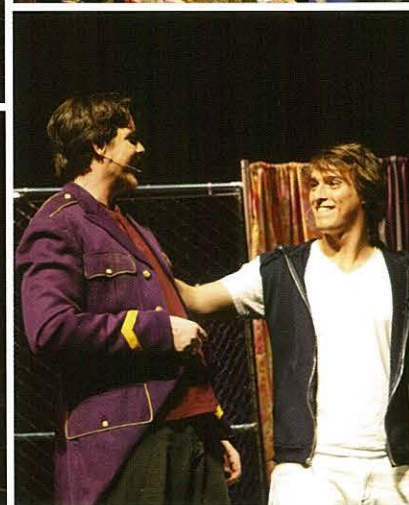
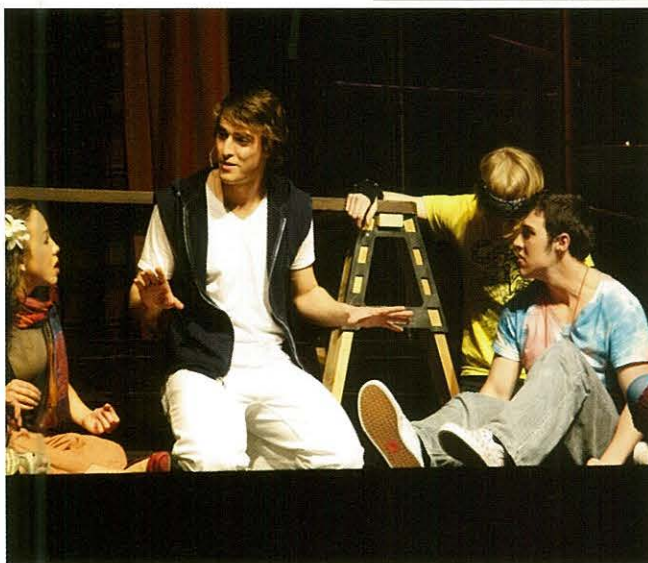
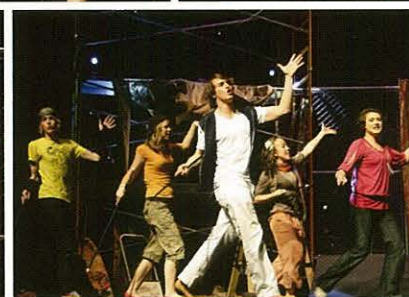
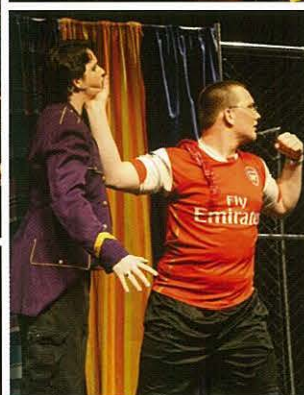
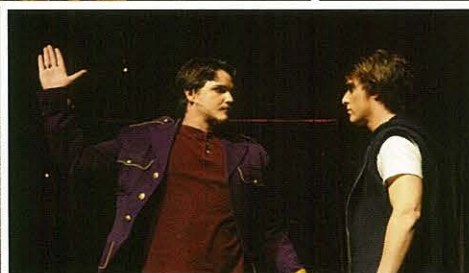


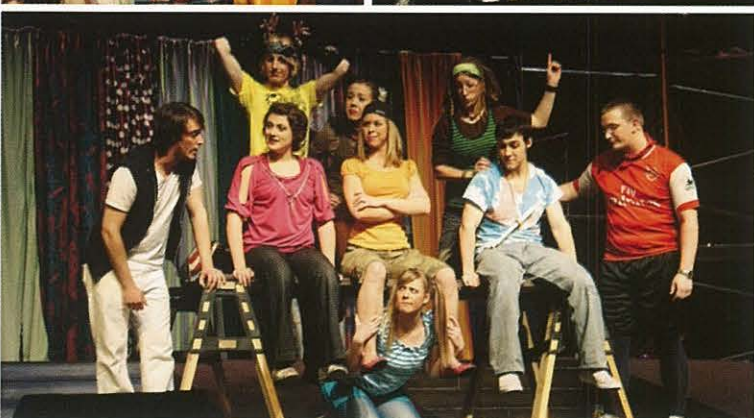
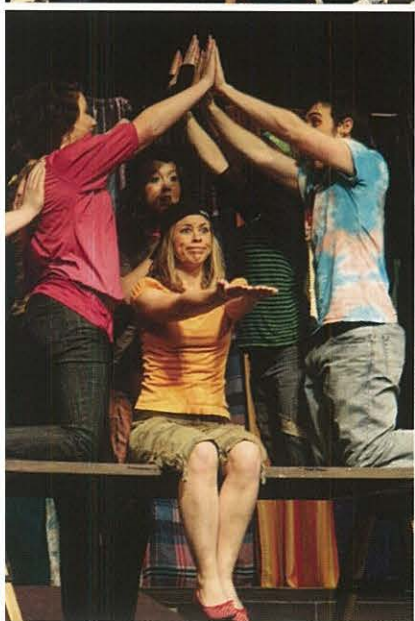
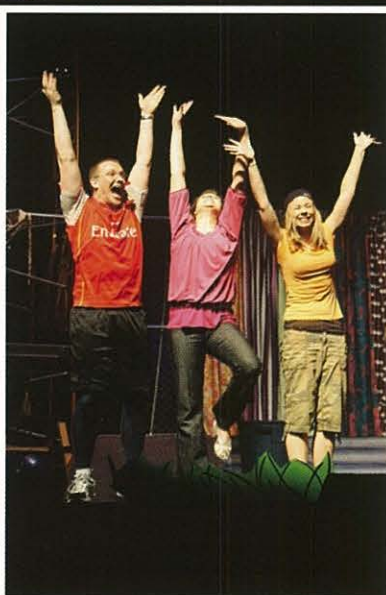
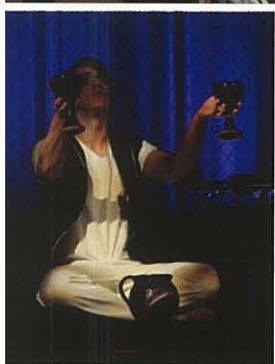
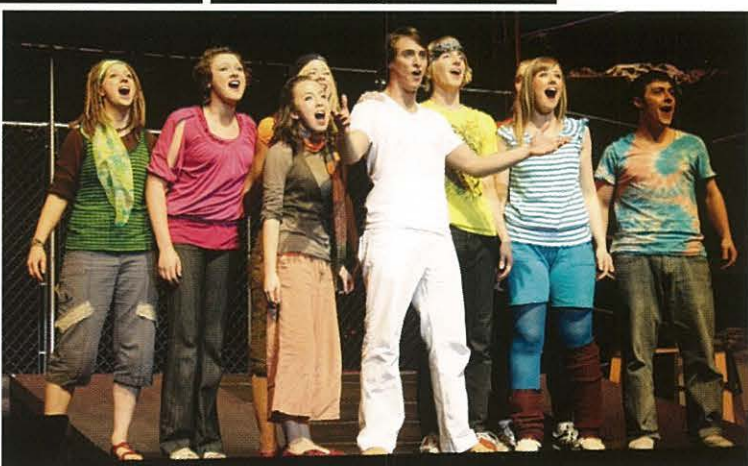
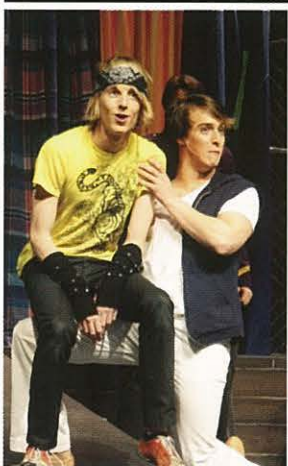
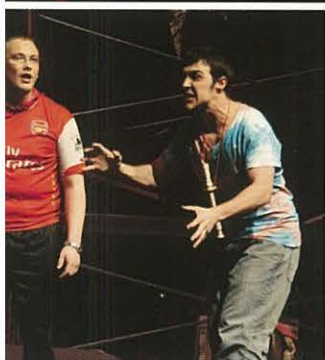
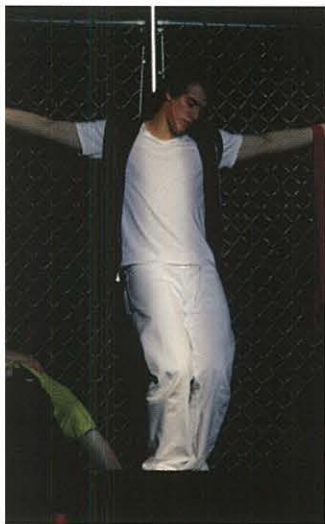


Godspell

Spring Musical

This year's spring musical proved to be both humorous and thought-provoking. *Godspell* is a musical based on the series of parables as well as the passion of Christ found in the Gospel of Matthew. This version of the musical concluded with the resurrection of Christ. The cast included Eli Kamplain as Jesus, Hilary Johnson as Joanne, Matt Davis as Jeffery, Jarrod Zinn as John the Baptist/Judas, Matt Miller as Lamar, Toni Bestul as Robin, Karissa Ellingson as Peggy, Whitney Brown as Sonia, and Joelle Friesen as Gilmer.

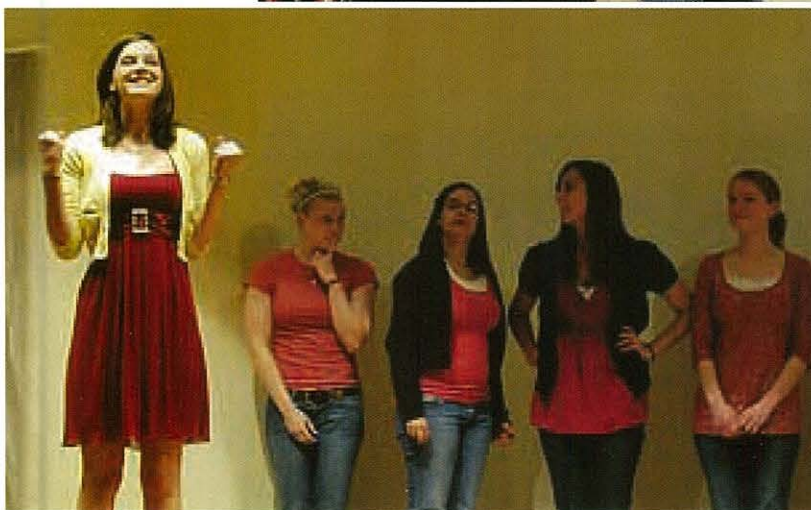


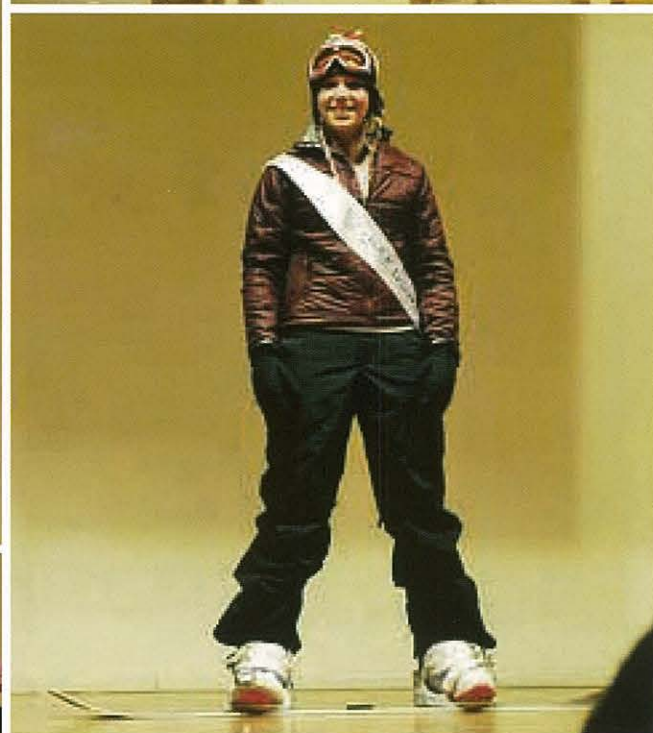
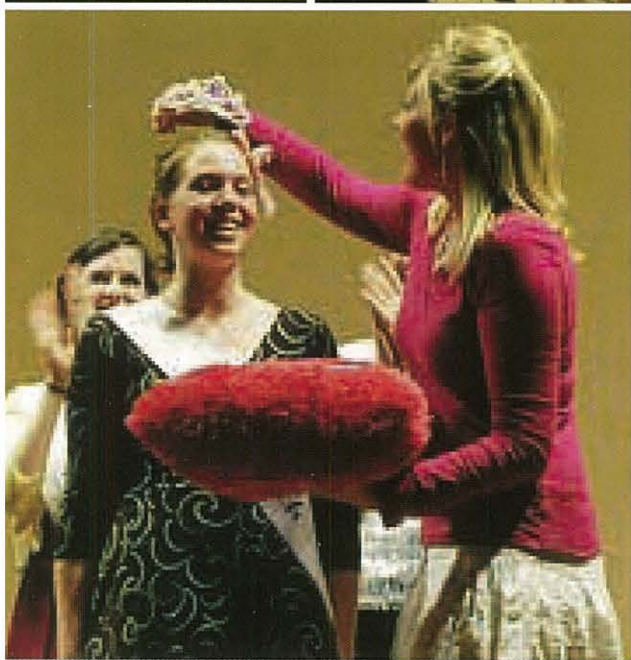
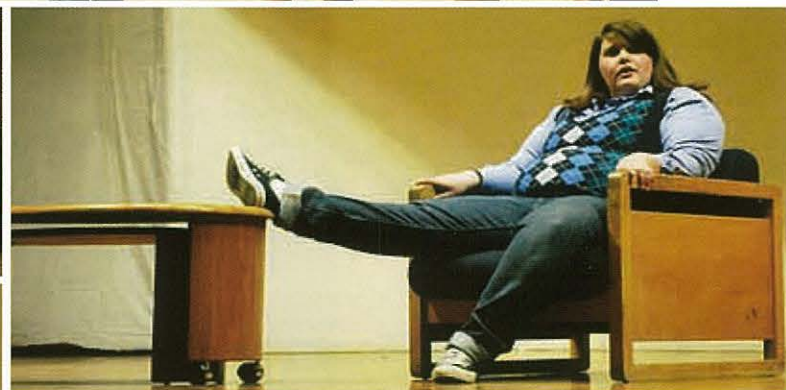


Miss Dooley

Girls Just Wanna Have Fun

Miss Dooley, an annual pageant amongst sophomore girls, featured participants from each sophomore girls' wing in Dooley Hall. Lyndsey Peterson was this year's emcee. The girls competed in several categories before a winner was selected, and the previous year's Miss Dooley passed the crown on to Chelsea Thompson, Miss Dooley 2009. This event was strictly females-only, even down to the audience, which primarily included freshmen and sophomore girls.

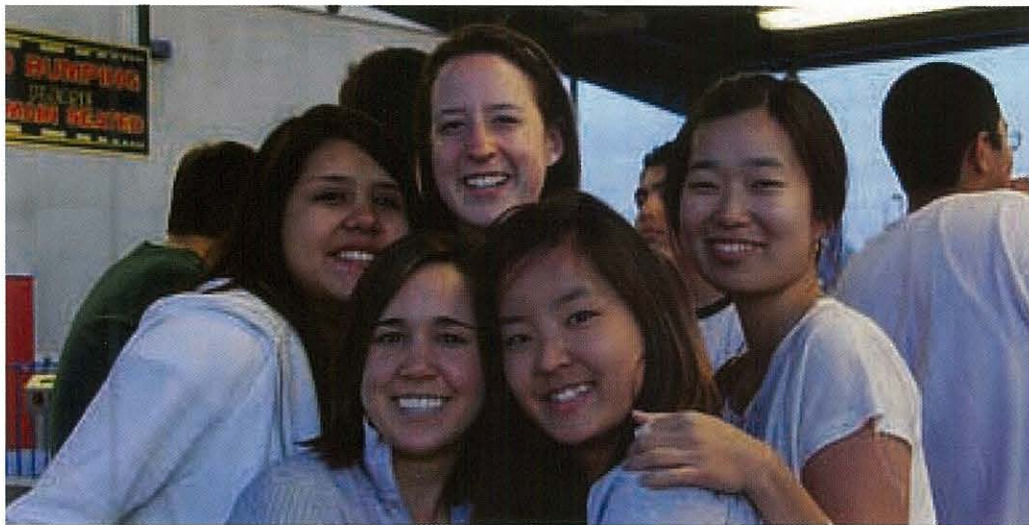
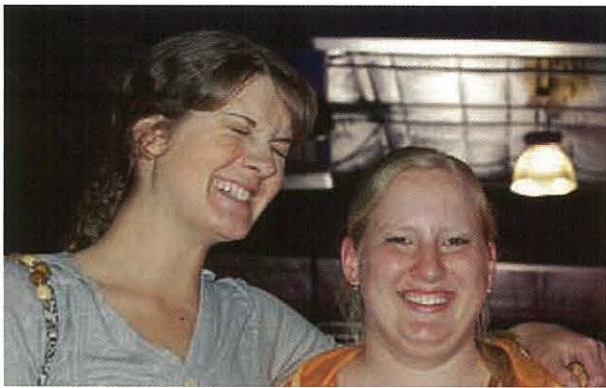


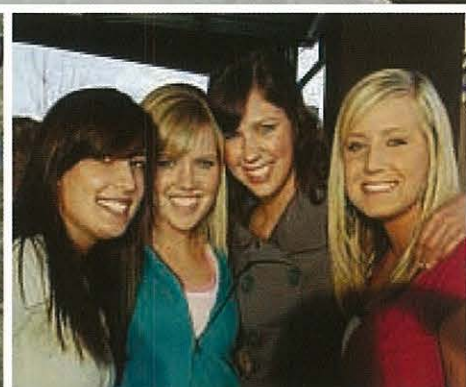


Girls Event

No Boys Allowed

This was the first year of what is hoped to be an ongoing tradition of a Girls Event. It is a time where the NNU females can get away from campus, the boys, and have a good time. The activities included an all inclusive adventure at "Wahooz" (formerly known as Boondocks), dinner, and a movie at Edwards Theater featuring teen heart-throb Zac Efron in 17 Again.

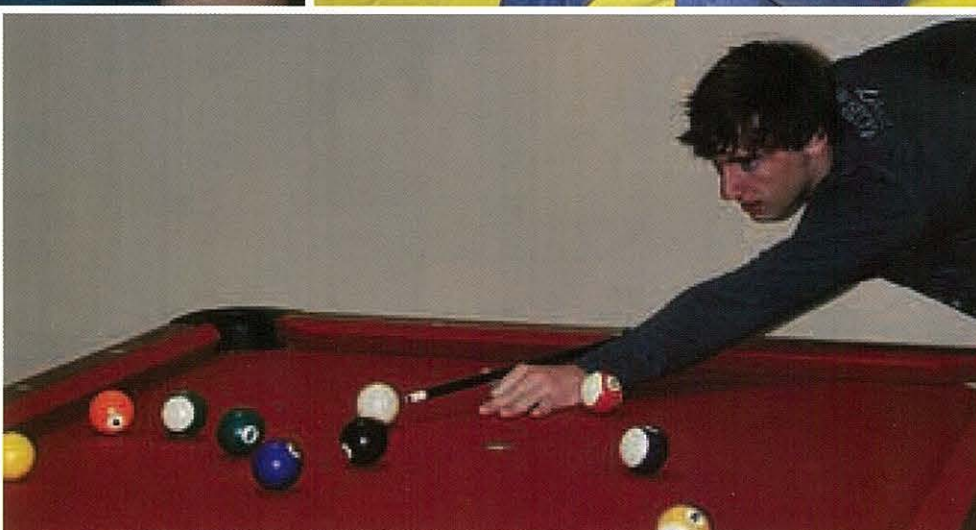
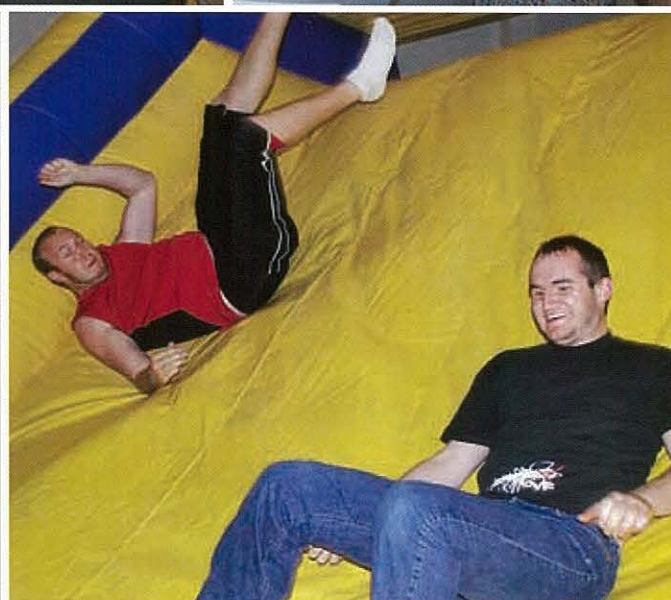
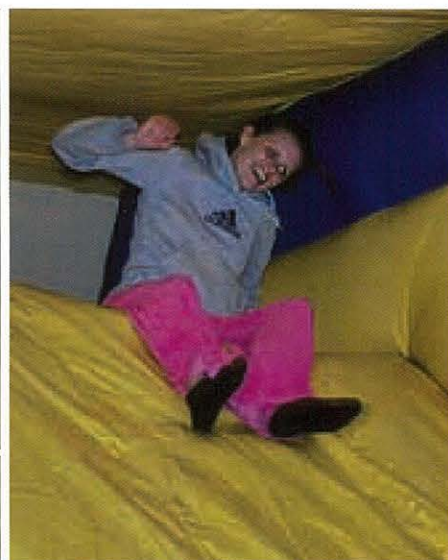


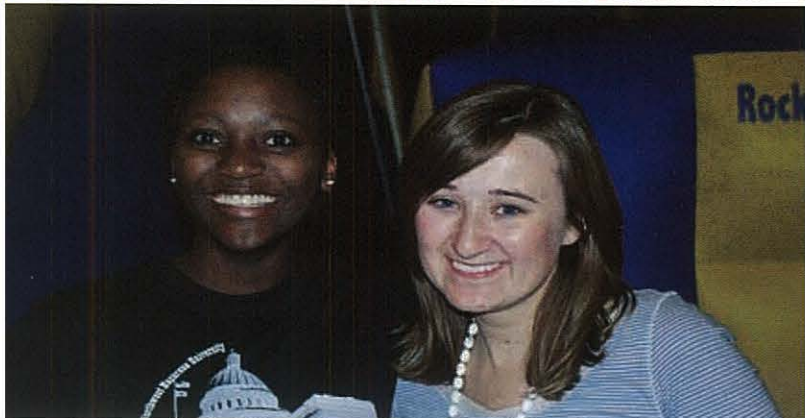
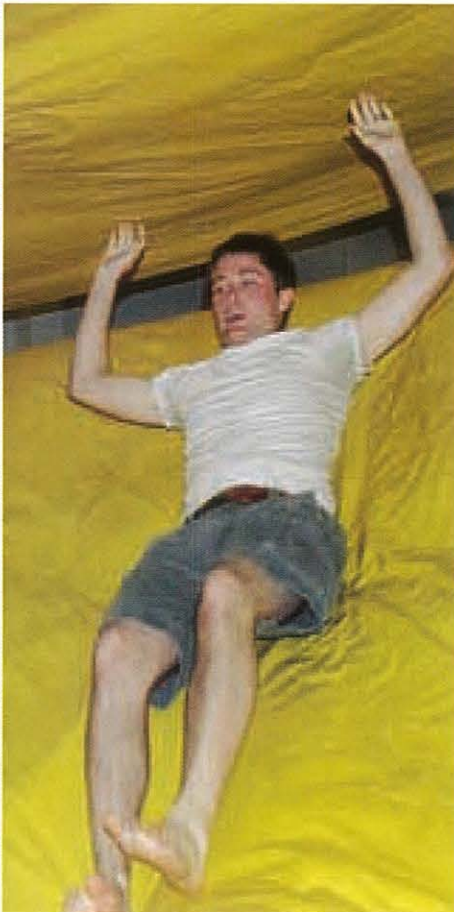
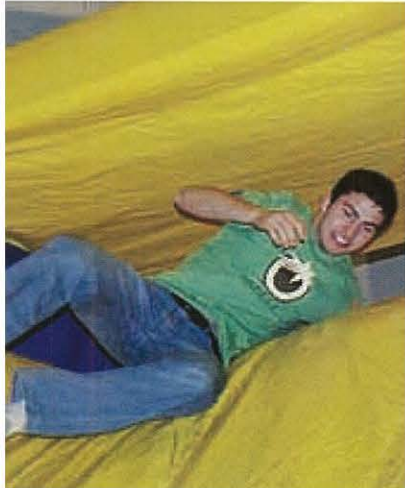
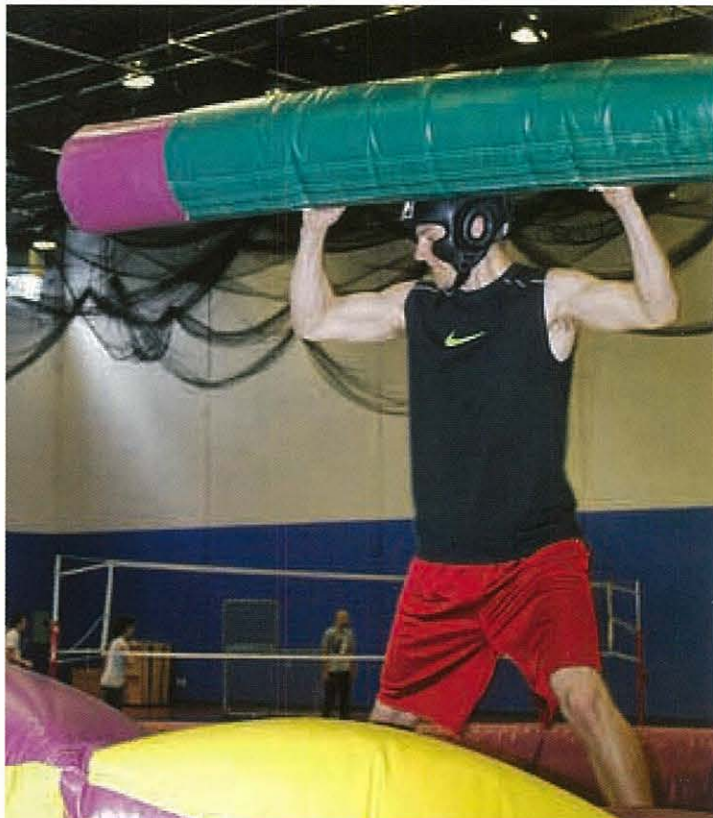
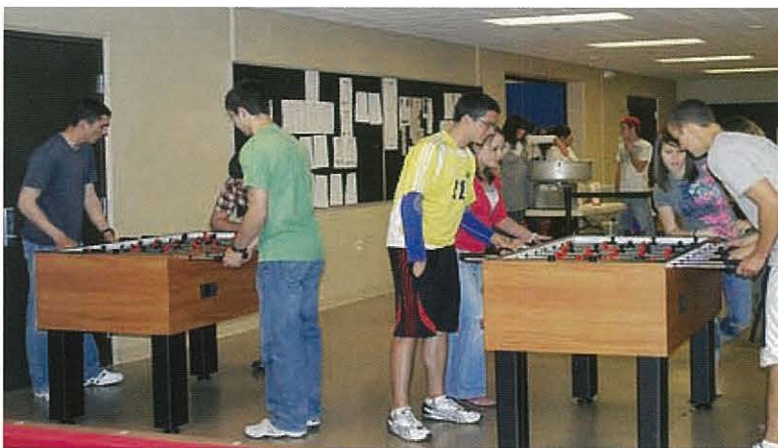


Spring Fling

May Days

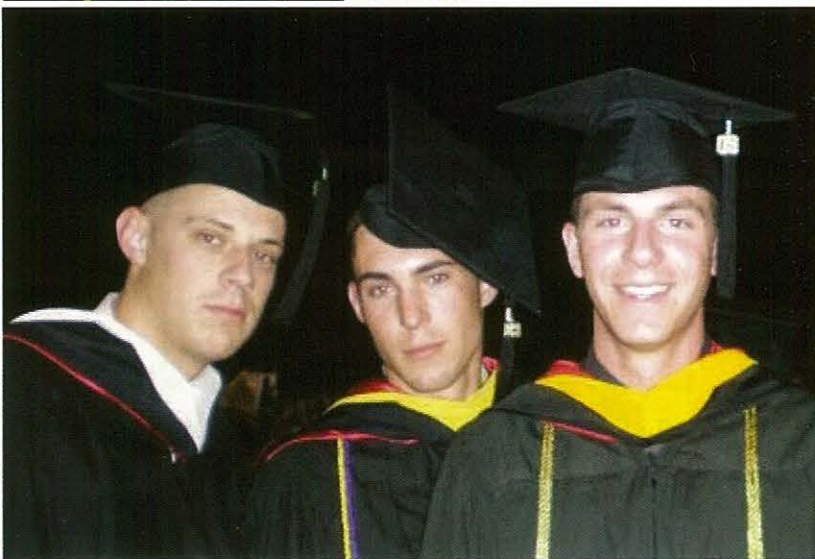
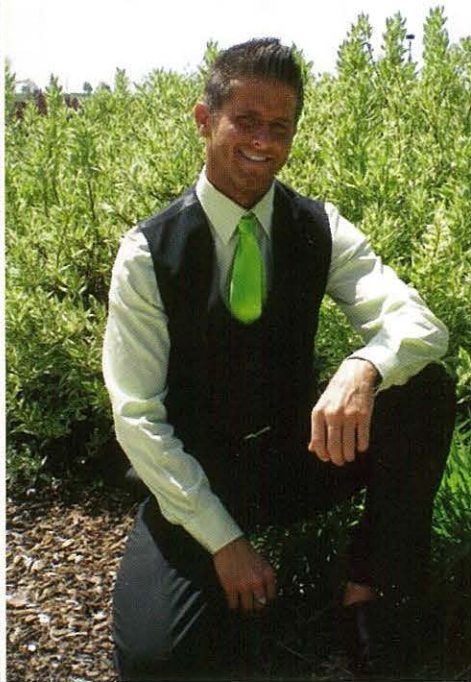
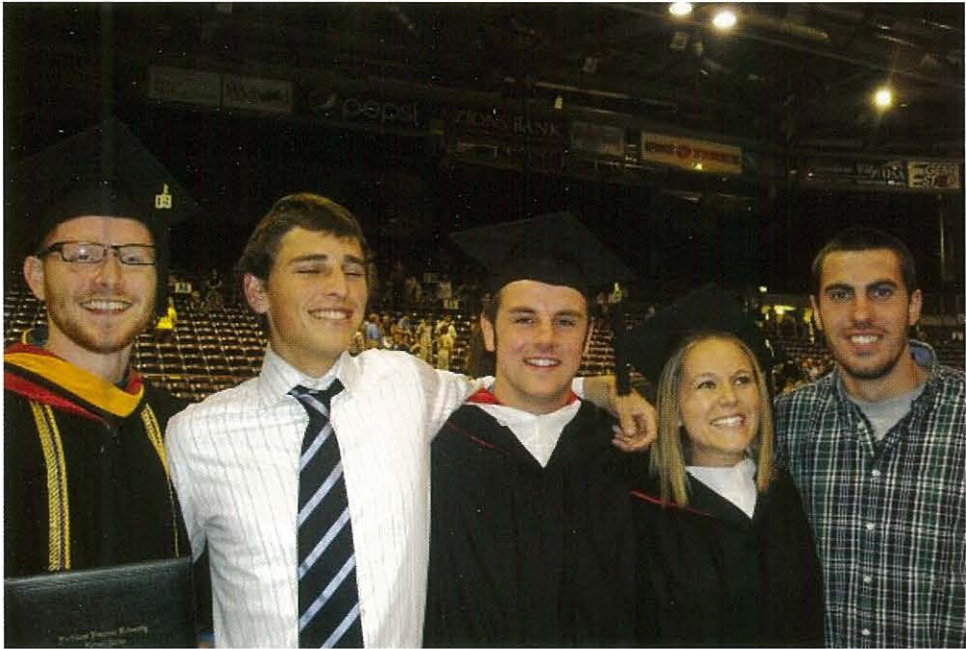
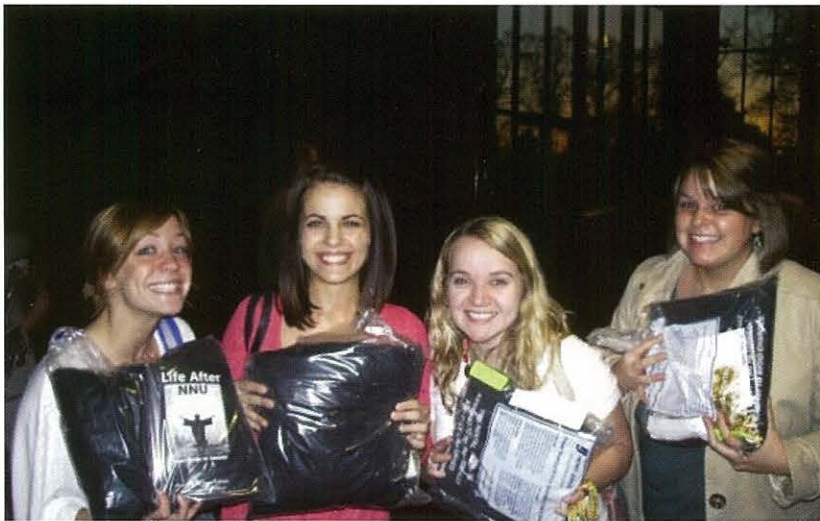
This is the last social event that the students have for the school year. It is a time students can get together in a stress free environment with activities and free food. This year's theme was 1950's, Neighborhood Block Party. There were inflatables, cotton candy, volleyball, dinner, and a movie. Fun was had by all participants!

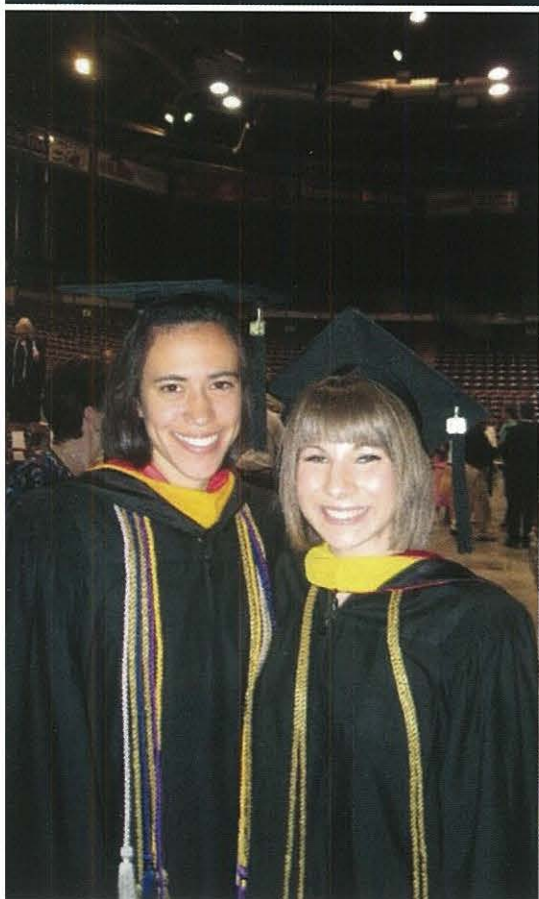




Graduation

This year's baccalaureate speaker was university President, David Alexander. Reverend Randall J. Craker received an Honorary Doctorate degree during the Commencement ceremony and was this year's Commencement speaker.





OCTOBER 22, 2008

Saturday's CHAOS brings out the kid in the student body

by LAURIE BURGEMEISTER

In one corner—pumpkin painting— in another—a Sponge-Bob bounce house, and over 25 NNU students participating in CHAOS, a community outreach activity, this past Saturday morning from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Johnson Sports Center Field house.

Rylee Curtis, NNU campus ministries coordinator, planned and led the event that hosted 17 children from Hope House and the Nampa community at a day camp Saturday morning.

Curtis arranged for the day camp to consist of face painting, two air-inflated bounce houses and pumpkin painting, as well as basketball and volleyball activities.

SGA President Lacey Smith said, "Curtis did a great job of taking control of the situation and relating to the kids."

CHAOS stands for "Christ Honoring and Others Served" and happens once each semester.

This semester the activities included pumpkin painting, a sponge-bob bounce house, a slide bounce house, basketball, volleyball and face

painting.

Working at a camp last summer really helped Curtis feel comfortable enough to help lead the event.

"The hardest part was the logistics—making the right calls, ensuring that the field-house was available and inviting the Hope House kids to come," said Curtis.

Curtis said Tony Napier, NNU community relations coordinator, helped to make this event successful.

"Tony had money left over in his budget and offered to use it for the bounce houses," said Curtis. "The pumpkins were also his idea."

SGA secretary Amber Ford said, "Chaos is a great way to help kids in the community, especially for kids at Hope House who need somebody around to love on them."

Ford led some of the group games the kids played, and Napier told them a Bible story about the "world's largest man."

"I chose the story about David and Goliath because it's a good Bible story and easy to tell," said Napier.

The children were also provided snacks of string cheese and juice drinks during the

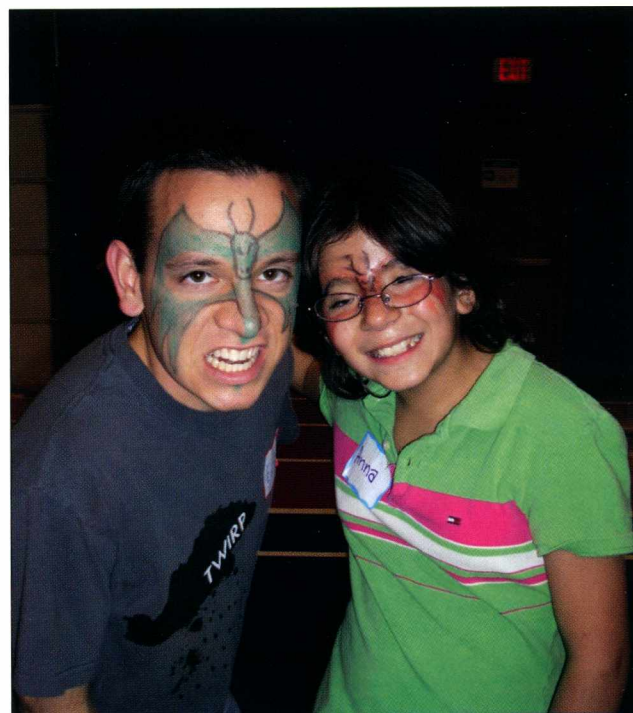
story time.

Freshman Joshua Ponczoch was one of the many NNU students volunteering for the event.

"I love hanging out with little kids! It's really fun and so easy to make them laugh," said Ponczoch.

Curtis said she's planning another CHAOS event for next semester and hopes to recruit more children from churches around Nampa and maybe even the Boys & Girls Club.

"I'm really, really excited! We want to recruit more and get more students involved. The event may be similar to this one with games, but I'm not sure yet," Curtis said.



Top: Erik Valenti displays his freshly painted face with a child from Hope House. Above: Valerie Banania, Elizabeth Beaty and Jessica Bobango get ready to paint pumpkins (photos by Laurie Burgemeister).

SEPTEMBER 24, 2008

Higdon earns research grant

by KATIE THOMPSON

Northwest Nazarene University's newest student to enter the realm of scientific professionalism is Johanna Higdon.

Recently headlining the pages of the NNU's Messenger, Higdon's current research in the scientific field is not going unnoticed.

The study includes a broad examination of alcohol's effect on the human metabolism and which specific enzymes are in turn also affected.

Present NNU research pertaining to this study varies between the specific areas of investigation.

Higdon's work specializes in the cell's reaction to alcohol absorption.

"For my research I have plates of cells that I then introduce to ethanol, alcohol, and vitamin A. I then wait to see how the metabolism reacts," said Higdon.

The overall study was established to research detrimental illnesses such as fetal alcohol syndrome and alcohol generated cancer.

Higdon's interest in this field began at an early age.

As a child she frequently fed her investigative mind with medical-type procedures on local wildlife, such as dead salamanders found near a pond.

"I would spend time gathering and labeling items while pretending to be a real scientist," said Higdon, concerning her early interest in research.

As Higdon's interest grew more serious, she was given educational opportunities.

These learning opportunities allowed herself to explore what she wanted to do as an occupation dealing in the field of science.

During her junior year of high school, Higdon was given the chance to shadow OB/GYN doctors at Oregon Health & Science University.

Since being a part of NNU's science program throughout her college career, Higdon has heavily involved herself in a variety of research opportunities.

For the past two summers and both 2007 and 2008 school years, Higdon has worked with Dr. Jennifer Chase in lab research.

Such involvement, along with scientific conference attendance, led to two grants



Joanna Higdon prepares to examine a slide in the science lab (photo by Brad Elsborg).

being given to her.

Higdon has found her research valuable, as it will be useful as she continues toward her future occupation in the medical field.

"Though I have no plans to become a researcher in my future, it has been good preparation for my goal as a physician," said Higdon. "My studies have given me a

larger variety of research opportunities in either medical school or clinical trials."

FEBRUARY 11, 2009

The Special Olympics begin, and SIFE pitches in

by PAIGE McDANIEL

The 2009 Special Olympics World Games began this weekend, and NNU has joined the festivities.

The NNU SIFE club is fulfilling personal success skills and environmental sustainability criteria with its involvement in the games.

The project started as a way to "green" the games, but it turned into a more personal experience for those involved.

"There's just a Special Olympic pride here," said project leader Ree Armstrong, a senior accounting major.

"A lot of the community is involved and is learning about the games as well as just enjoying and being inspired," Armstrong said.

"It's really good to get to know people who are running now and also past athletes who have run in the games," says former special athlete Stephenie Hunt. She ran in track as well as

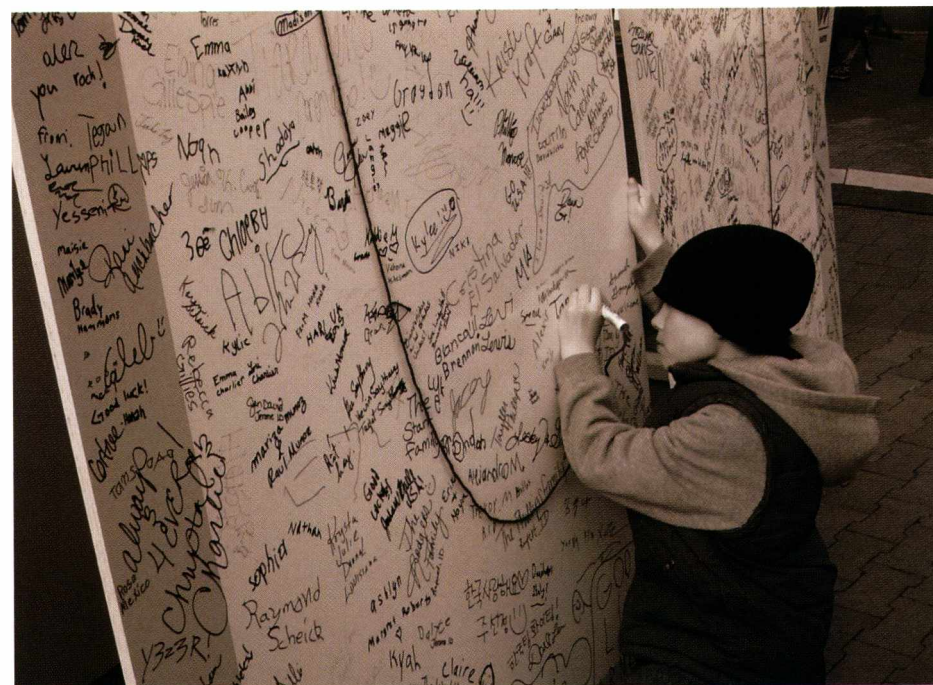
participated in hurdles, long jump and the 30 meter relay.

Before the big event, SIFE collaborated with Wal-Mart and the Games Organizing Committee to stuff 2,200 bags for the athletes, 1150 bags for delegates and coaches and 300 gift bags for the media.

The bags offered encouragement for the receivers to be more environmentally friendly. Included in the bags were a flash drive with "green" tips as well as a spud-dy buddy, a water bottle, lotion, a hand knit scarf (the Games received 55,000 blue and white scarves to give to athletes and supporters made by various people around the globe), trading pins for the athletes and other little items.

SIFE also included NNU in the project by making a mural with steps made by NNU for the games as well as highlights of the athletes.

On Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, pieces of the mural will be located near NNU's



A child signs the Special Olympics mural created by NNU SIFE and Art Department downtown (photo by Paige McDaniel).

booth, so that athletes as well as fans can sign in support of the Games, athletes and the City of Boise.

The signatures signed notes of good luck and specific thanks to certain athletes for their inspiration and hard work. All together, the

mural presented a message of unity in one of the most moving events in Boise.

David Canales, a Special Olympic volunteer, says "There's no such thing as normal, everything and everyone has a flaw."

He says he is determined

to make people aware of the life changing effects of the Special Olympics.

The Special Olympic Games will be continuing until Feb. 13.

MARCH 4, 2009

What can we learn from Mr. NNU 2009?

by RACHAEL FINCH

Junior Greg DeSimone was crowned Mr. NNU 2009 Saturday night in a male pageant of ribbon dancing, music and lots of leg; sounds shockingly similar to a Miss America pageant, does it not?

But rather than judging these men for objectifying themselves on stage, let us look at the lessons they have taught us:

- 1. Nine out of ten males at NNU play guitar.
- 2. Grant Miller should never, under any circumstances, wear short shorts.
- 3. You can, in fact, inflict physical harm while ribbon dancing.
- 4. Michael Wheatley can still dance.
- 5. If you rub a lamp, Gene Schandorff will pop out and

grant your wishes.

6. Squeaky toy equals Katie Zook.

7. "Wake Me Up Before You Go Go" can and will get stuck in your head forever.

8. Miller can snort a goldfish up his nose and justify it as a sermon illustration. Perhaps he should be a religion major.

9. DeSimone's mother is awesome.

10. According to Elias Kamplain, there is trouble in Disney's happy ending paradise.

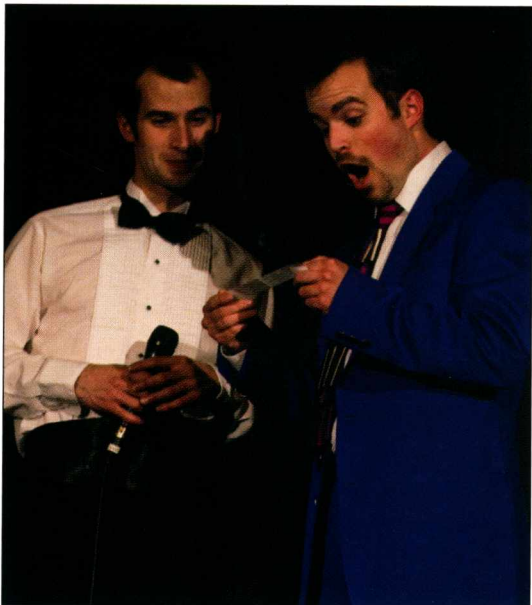
Kudos to the freshman class council for getting a camel for the event. The theme, "A Night in Agrabah," was creative and fun. The music and costumes made the evening. What is funnier than seven guys dressed up as Aladdin, Wheatley as a magic carpet

and Eddie Wheeler as Abu?

The evening was five parts hilarious and five parts not-so-hilarious, as several of the open category skits left much of the audience thinking "what?" Except, of course, for DeSimone's "Why I don't have a girlfriend" video, which was fabulous, and Dax Wandling's "Call a Dex employee" video, which was disturbing.

The tradition of throwing snacks and drinks into the audience was not quite the same, as they didn't actually throw them, but it was less hazardous than having water bottles and Squeeze-Its flying at your head.

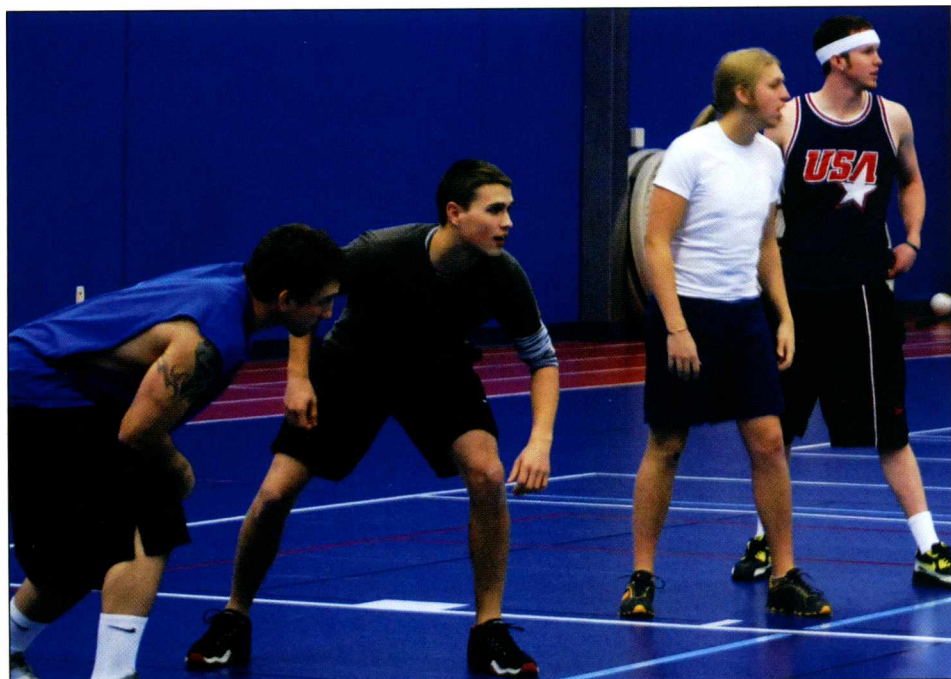
The night was a funny reminder that social life at NNU is, in many ways, one big inside joke, with each new event relying on the ones before it.



Far left: Chris Davis performs his talent skit with the help from some friends. Left: Dax Wandling receives his question from host, Mike Wheatley. Above: Grant Miller escorts Greg DeSimone's mother during the formal part of the competition (photos by Chris Vanderschaaf).

MARCH 11, 2009

Rainbow Warriors win dodgeball tournament, raise money for Make-a-Wish



by RACHAEL FINCH

NNU students played in the annual dodgeball tournament put on by the Student Athlete Advisory Committee to raise money for the Make-a-Wish Foundation.

Eight teams competed in the double elimination tournament on Friday night, and the Rainbow Warriors competed against Balls in the championship game on Saturday night. Rainbow Warriors won the tournament.

There was also a competition among the teams for best theme.

Themes included golf,

soccer, crayons, gangster and nerds, said Vanessa Shaw, president of SAAC. The Super Smash Brothers team won the theme contest with their video game characters theme.

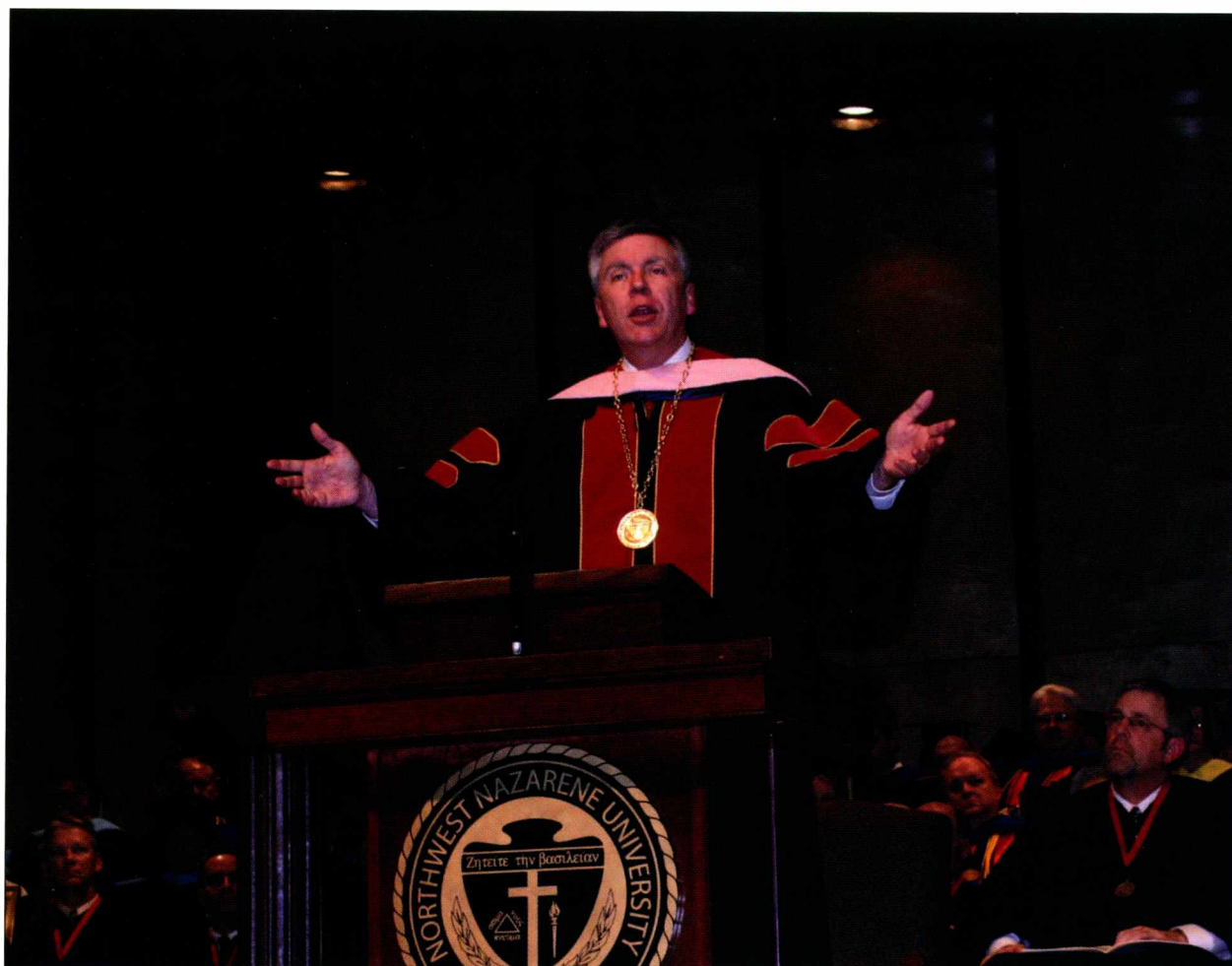
SAAC raised additional money for the Make-a-Wish Foundation with their donation tables in the Johnson Sports Center during the men's and women's basketball games Saturday night.

Shaw said SAAC raised \$500 through the dodgeball event, meeting its goal.



Top: Brian Barkdoll, Andrew Sneed, Kendall Gielow and Dylan Theis celebrate during the SAAC Dodgeball Tournament. Left: Kyle Gray, Steven Stark, Derek Sepe and Jaclyn Puga ready for a match. Above: Johnathan Cossel, Josh Brendible, Josh Ponczoch and Lander Grow wait for the whistle (photos by Cassie Carlson).





MARCH 18, 2009

NNU celebrates a new president

Inauguration focused on 'Renewing the Covenant'

by IAN BAUDER

During his official inauguration last Thursday, President David Alexander announced several new initiatives and programs for NNU.

During the ceremony, the congregation joined in singing several hymns, led by Barry Swanson. The ceremony featured a choir composed of current students and alumni, who sang a few special pieces.

President Alexander gave

his inaugural address with an emphasis on "Renewing the Covenant." This culminated in the congregation joining Alexander in a covenantal pledge promising to uphold NNU's outcomes and ideals and serve the students and staff.

Alexander laid out plans for the new School of Nursing and Health Sciences, as well as a new masters of nursing program, which will be lead by Professor Pat Kissel as the school's new dean. He also announced the creation

of a new department in the school's administration, designed to promote spiritual growth on campus.

The Wesley Center for Student Leadership will have three different offices: the Office of Spiritual Formation, administered by the dean of the chapel; the Office of Congregational Development, that will connect NNU with churches from around the world; and the Office of Kingdom Engagement, which will facilitate students' desire to provide

service to the community.

"This center is being established to focus on and foster the NNU distinctive. We are a people of faith who seek to follow Christ's model of servant living, and we believe that we can have the greatest impact on society through service," said Alexander.

The new center will be directed by Rev. Fred Fullerton, who will fill the newly created position of vice president for spiritual and leadership development.

"It will be my joy to work

with the university community, pastors and district leadership in the development and implementation of President Alexander's vision," said Fullerton in on-line press materials.

The ceremony was followed by a reception in the Johnson Sports Center, where students, alumni and faculty fellowshiped, and were the given the chance to greet the Alexanders.

New York mission trip focuses on urban ministries

by JESSICA BOBANGO

Wandering the streets of an unknown urban neighborhood and dishing out food to complete strangers may not seem like the ideal vacation for some, but for the 13 NNU students who participated in the mission trip to New York City, it was the perfect prescription for a fulfilling—albeit somewhat daunting—spring break.

The team included freshman Cayenne Drummond as well as sophomores Danielle Bowman, Aubrey Braun, Lacey Bruner, Riley Cook, Grady Harmon, Danyelle Howard, Jordyn Johnson, Ashley Rendahl and juniors Katie Keeney-Smithson, Lander Grow and Tim Meeks. The group was led by Director of Residential Life Karen Pearson and Campus Ministries Director Michael Spengler.

The week was one of mission work and sightseeing and while the team was excited about catching a viewing of

the Broadway show “Wicked,” the highlights for many involved working with the Harlem relief bus and the Yorkville Food Pantry.

“Working in the soup kitchen really gave us a chance to connect with people in need on a very personal and direct level,” said Howard.

Though Bowman said the trip was an overwhelming experience that will take a few more weeks to process, she said that she enjoyed working at the food pantry. “Even though we didn’t get a lot of one-on-one time, I felt like I was making a difference,” said Bowman, “Sometimes being a behind-the-scenes person is just as big a service as anything else.”

Bruner said the trip changed her life and that—just like Bowman—she is also trying to figure out everything God wanted her to get out of the experience. “I am still overwhelmed,” said Bruner, “but I know I will never be the same.”



Top: The New York City mission trip group eats at the famous Bubba Gump’s restaurant. Above: Lander Grow, Danyelle Howard, Riley Cook and Lacey Bruner pose for a photo while exploring the city. Left: The group comes together for a photo after a worship service. (photos courtesy of Danyelle Howard).

APRIL 8, 2009

Forensics visits the South, making waves at nationals

by BREANNA GOLDSMITH

All five members of the NNU Forensics team earned an award at the Pi Kappa Delta National Tournament and Convention in Shreveport, La. over spring break.

The team was awarded the Good Award in Individual Events Sweepstakes in addition to the individual awards, which Assistant Director of Forensics Litha Quinn said was “definitely a team win for everybody.”

NNU’s Director of Forensics Brooke Adamson said, “This is one of the few times we have ever had two representatives in the Showcase to demonstrate one of the best competitors in their event in the nation—Rachel Allen in Prose Interpretation and Jason Montgomery in Impromptu Speaking.”

Adamson was named governor of the province of the great west, putting her

in charge of all the schools belonging to the Pi Kappa Delta Honorary west of the Mississippi.

Junior Jason Montgomery earned the most awards with a total of three. He earned a Superior Award in Impromptu Speaking, placing fourth out of 182, an Excellent Award in Communication Analysis, ninth out of 56, and an Excellent Award in Broadcast Journalism.

The other members of the team, Rachel Allen, Blair Evans, Julia Fitch and Allison Hawn, all won either superior or good in their events, according to a campus-wide e-mail sent out.

The team was only made up of five competitors, compared to some other schools whose teams were made up of 25 competitors.

It was outstanding for the team to win the Good Award Sweepstakes, beating out 37 other schools, said Adamson and Quinn.

When explaining the award system for Pi Kappa Delta, Adamson said, “This tournament does awards by percentages. The top percent is superior, next percent is excellent, and the last percent of awards is good.”

Outside of competition, the team had time to experience some Louisiana culture, which Quinn said was a “fun award for everybody.”

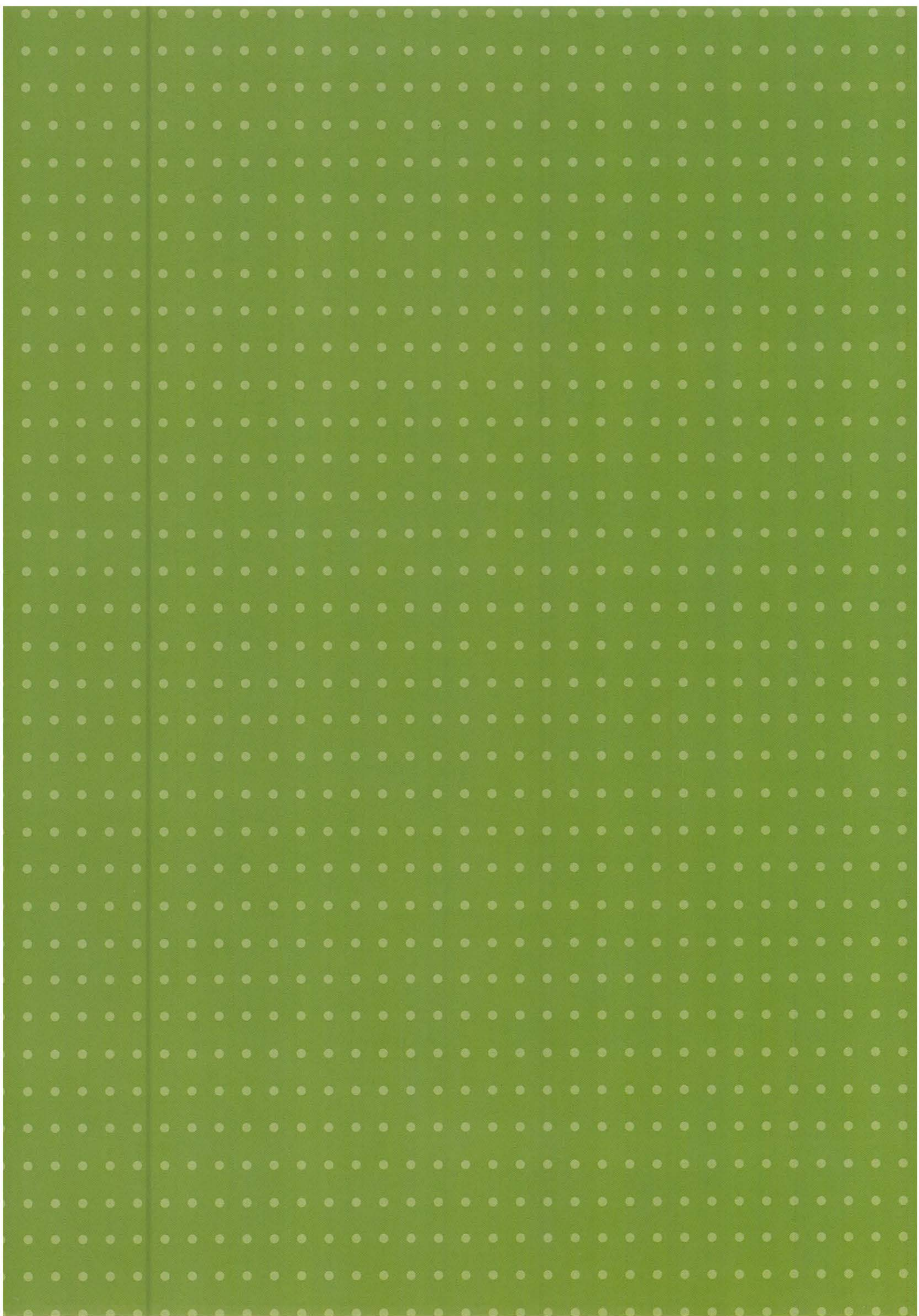
According to Montgomery and Allen, outside of competition the team was enjoying Louisiana’s sunny weather, shopping, spending a day at Six Flags, and, as Montgomery said, “eating some unique Southern delicacies like alligator.”

Allen said, “It was a wonderful way to end a fantastic weekend!”

For the Forensics team, going to Nationals “goes beyond competition,” said Adamson. “It’s an opportunity to build community and represent our school and Savior.”



The forensics team poses in front of Louisiana’s state sign while on their trip to Nationals in Shreveport (photo courtesy of Rachel Allen).



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