Freak May blizzard strands NW students

BY SMILEY SPELLERMAN
WALMART GREETER

The sound of thudding punches and hopeless crying echoed through the howling winds of a freak May blizzard that started Sunday, May 6—the day before Northwestern’s final exam week. The blizzard assaulted Northwest...

Study abroad in a truly cultural experience: Orange City

BY PEACHES AND KUEHN

Taste homemade ethnic delicacies. Watch children perform traditional dances in intricate and authentic costume. Listen to the music of an age-old culture. Tour a giant windmill and slip on your very own pair of wooden shoes. Think you can’t afford this kind of cultural experience? Think again.

Earlier this semester Northwestern announced the establishment of its first study abroad program—destination Romania. The school is now quickly acting on plans for a second program. Destination? Orange City. “I can’t believe we didn’t think of this sooner,” said Study Abroad Guy Smug Charleton. “I guess we just take for granted the culture and vast opportunities that surround us.”

Beginning spring of 2008, the Orange City Semester will offer students an affordable means of immersing themselves in a unique culture. Living accommodations are still being made. Though dormitory housing is a possibility, program directors are hoping to place participants in the homes of Orange City residents. They hope this will allow students to become more closely connected with the culture.

Not only will the program foster a love and appreciation for the Orange City residents and community; it will also provide an alternative for those students who were not accepted for other study abroad programs. “I was really disappointed to be put on the waiting list for the Chicago Semester,” said junior Bitsy Li’Firter. “But as I discover all I can do through the OC Semester, I’m looking forward to spending another semester in Iowa.”

The OC Semester will offer students a number of amazing learning and experiential opportunities, including trips to Perkins in Sioux City, a rafting journey down the mighty Floyd River, bonfires in nearby Alton and a tour of the Ice Cream Capital of the World in Le Mars.

The semester will begin with a week long seminar class that will introduce students to the city and enlighten them on the history of the Dutch community. During this week trips will be taken to The Dutch Bakery, Woudstra’s Meat Market and The Old Factory. Classes will begin the following week. The semester will culminate with Orange City’s annual Tulip Festival the third weekend in May. It is here that students will experience Dutch heritage at its finest.

Program participants will be able to choose from a wide variety of classes including Introduction to Dutch, Dutch History, Dutch Myths & Legends, Business in a Dutch Community, Learning to be Thrifty and Marriage and Family Before Age 25. The Orange City and NW libraries will be available for student use.

Though the classes may be challenging at times, students need not worry about devoting all of their efforts to class work. There will be a wealth of time to enjoy sunbathing on the NW’s campus green, taking in movies at Holland Plaza Theater, enjoying a fun meal with friends at the famed Pizza Ranch and playing lava tag in Kinderspeeland Park.

If you’ve ever considered the adventure of studying abroad or are seeking a way to meet cross-cultural requirements, the OC Semester may be just what you’ve been looking for. To find out more about Orange City, check out http://www.orangecityiowa.com.
When I survey the glorious organ pipes....

Just the other day, I was in chapel, enjoying the angelic sounds of the worship team and the melodious music accompanied by the glorious organ.

“When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of Glory died,” I sang out in my most worshipful voice.

As I sang out my worship, I looked up towards the heavens to lift my worship to my crucified savior. Well, not the heavens, per se. Actually, I looked up towards the organ.

The glorious organ, with its magnificent shiny pipes and glorious worshipful sound, encompasses the entirety of the visual front of Christ Chapel. It was at this very moment in time, right in the middle of my worship, that I was struck with this simple statement: Christ died on the cross.

Actually, the thought that struck me was not my own; it was in a voice in my head and it said to me, “I died on the cross, not the organ.” Normally, I can ignore the voices in my head at least have an interesting conversation with them. But this voice did not want to be ignored. This voice meant business—it wanted to debate.

As the congregation was invited to be seated and enjoy the meaningful words of our chapel speaker, I was disturbed by the words I heard from that deep voice in my head. And, being a journalist who is thoroughly knowledgeable in practices of the Reformed faith, I worked to come up with three compelling points to justify the seemingly Reformed worship of the pipe organ.

First of all, the organ provides visual appeal to the intricately designed interiors of Reformed churches across the country. Having organ pipes in the front and center of the church is just good sense. Personally, I have never been in a church where the organ pipes did not encompass the entire front of the sanctuary. So John Calvin must have decided that this was the best way to design the interior of the Reformed church sanctuary.

Second, Dutch hymns have always been accompanied by the organ. Without the vast display of shiny organ pipes, how would we be able to sing praise to our God? Surely we cannot worship with stringed instruments, as suggested by the Psalms. Dutch hymns were not written for stringed accompaniment; they were written for organ accompaniment only. So in respect for our Dutch ancestors, who fled the sinful streets of Amsterdam in search of religious freedoms, we must dedicate the front of our sanctuaries to the glorious pipes of our organs.

Thirdly, we should discuss the hymn at hand: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross.” While it is important for Dutch Reformed Christians to be knowledgeable in practices of the Reformed faith, I worked to come up with a teaching for you, Jesus has given the kingdom and set apart for special work, those who abstained completely were seen as the highest form of Christian, and some thought that only the ascetics could be truly saved.

This is why the scripture states that when we are tempted, God himself will provide a way out for us. In the early centuries of the Church, ascetics who abstained completely were seen as the highest form of Christian, and some thought that only the ascetics could be truly saved. But then liberals like St. Augustine came along spouting off phrases like “grace” and “love” as if these things were more important than the errant WORD OF GOD where it is clearly stated that ALL believers are members of the priesthood and set apart for special work, which means of course that ALL must abstain from sexual relations. Period. Don’t argue with me; argue with God.

Why am I so adamant about preserving this biblical teaching against the revisionist liberals? Look at history; EVERY SINGLE CIVILIZATION that has allowed heterosexuality has fallen under judgment and ruin eventually.

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of Glory died, I sang out in my most worshipful voice.

“Ah!” you may say, “but Jesus also said that it is good for people to get married and not to get divorced!”

Yes, married. He never said anything about letting them have sex, which he already clearly stated was a sin in his previous commandment.

“But didn’t Jesus say that a man will leave his mother and father and become one flesh with his wife?”

We have to interpret this in light of the fact that Jesus already made it clear that sex is bad, and in light of what he explains next in the passage.

Understanding the temptation that would be present in even an intentionally celibate marriage, Christ goes further to explain that those who choose to pursue marriage for service to the kingdom of God or who aren’t eunuchs or set aside for the kingdom should “accept” marriage. Aren’t we all called to dedicate ourselves to the service of God? Without exception?

Wouldn’t this imply that Christ must have only been talking about NON-Christians when he said that it is good to marry? If this sounds like too difficult a teaching for you, Jesus has given you the option of becoming a eunuch.

Yes, there’s hope! You can change from your heterosexual ways. Many people throughout history have done so. All you need is a pair of scissors and lots of prayer. Also, maybe some disinfector.

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Rome. Greece. Persia. Ancient Israel. A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away, the Galactic Republic fell because Anakin couldn’t keep his hands off Padme. It’s only a matter of time before God brings similar judgment against the nations today unless we repent of our heterosexual ways.

God doesn’t like sin. When people keep reproducing, they keep making more people who can sin more. The more babies, the more sinners. This doesn’t make God very happy.

The way for all the sin stop is for the reproduction to stop. And that will only come when we renounce sex.

Then, as a free faculty member has pointed out, Jesus will have to come back because humanity will be ending whether he likes it or not. Glory!

In my house, I have a rock and a sofa. If I throw the rock at the sofa, it will fly back and hit me in the face.

See, it all comes down to this: God made Sally and Larry, not Sally with Baby. It rhymes. That means it must be true.
As Lion learned of the kidnapping, he understood it! In a burst of genius thought, he rounded up the many women and children, and together, they formed a human chain. Lion went into the room next door, and as the end of the chain, linked onto Peaceful Vine. In a triumphant parade of tigers, fancy rugs and trumpets, Peaceful Vine emerged. He was healthy and cute and looked as though one day he would develop a nose like Ciara’s, one that had been passed down the royal family line for many generations.

With Peaceful Vine now safely stalking that cute guy or girI...
Got Parking?

BY TYGER WRESTLER
RESTLESS REPORTER

This week’s question: Why do Northwestern students suck at parking?

The explanation for the phenomena of crappy parking dates back to 1908, and the invention of the Model T. When Henry Ford revolutionized the automobile with his Model T, he said, “Few of you will own one of these Model T’s; go forth and take up as much space with it as you can, in order to tell the world, ‘I am better than you and am the only one who needs to park here.’” So in the early 1900’s, people would leave huge gaps in between their cars in order to take up as much space as possible.

Psychologically, several generations later, we are unable to shake this desire. Therefore, on the NW campus, unless there are strict lines painted to guide us, students have this psychological desire to park like idiots.

Let me present to you a method that we can all take to ensure that we take up as much space as possible and do the crappiest parking jobs we can.

1. If you are parking on one of the sides of the row, do not park right next to the “open student parking sign,” be sure to leave a large gap between your car and the sign.

2. When there is an open parking spot big enough for two cars, park in the middle of it.

3. Do not, under any circumstances, park as close to the car on your left as possible. Leave a large gap there, to satisfy your desire, and take away that desire from anyone else.

MISSING!

(Cafeteria coupes are one of the most common missing items on campus. Sodexo would like to remind students that these cups or cups of similar or better quality may be purchased at stores like Wal-Mart, Target, Alco and Dollar General.

Please return to the cafeteria IMMEDIATELY with your $5 fine. Failure to return said cup will result in accumulating fines from Residence Life, Maintenance, and Sodexo Staffs.)

Ranting with Rhonda Van Ziegersma

Dear Rhonda,

I am a student at Northwestern College and, try as I might, I just can’t find the kind of guys I’m interested in on this campus. I have searched high and low and the closest I’ve come is Davey Crockett, who consequently, I think should get a lip ring (as do 87.9% of other girls at NW).

I’ve recently heard rumors of NW girls traveling to Dordt College in search of the emo/punk boys that are lacking at our own school. Is it true that NW girls are tired of the guys on campus? Do you think it’s wrong for me to leave in search of guys?

Sincerely,

Betsy Dunn

Dear Betsy,

There is a good amount of truth to the rumors you’ve heard regarding NW girls traveling to Dordt in order to hook up with the stereotypical emo/punk boy. In fact, approximately 640 girls travel to Dordt on a given week to get their fill.

One advantage they find in doing so is that their reputation at NW remains, and their promiscuous behavior at Dordt has no consequences. If you were to travel to Dordt College on a given Saturday night, you would probably find a great number of cars bearing NW parking passes. These vehicles usually belong to girls looking for men.

A recent poll suggests that when limited to the romantic options available on their own campus 10 percent of NW girls like Coly boys, 30 percent like West boys and 50 percent like Heemstra boys. The other 2 percent reported that their hearts belong to Jesus or Vanden Bootie.

Student response to MTV’s interest in Orange City has been mixed. Freshman Stepomme DeCamp, who plans to get married this Summer, said, “I think that ‘Engaged and Underage’ has an interesting approach to recording the real events that take place before a wedding.” Sophomore James Bell, Stepomme’s fiancé, also provided his insightful perspective, saying, “I get to be on TV!”

Other students are not as thrilled at the prospect of MTV’s presence on campus. “It’s going to be a huge distraction,” said senior Ivanna Nicholas, “I think we have enough to worry about in class without having TV cameras recording our every move.”

Junior Adam DeWarf seemed just as concerned about the news.

“There are already so many people getting engaged,” he said, “I don’t think the couples on this campus need any more encouragement.”
Word on the street: Asking the truth of tulips
As an Orange City tulip what are your greatest aspirations?

“Tulip”

“Tulip”

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“I’d like to be picked for a super-secret bouquet to be given to Karen Barker by unnamed students.”

“My hope is to be ripped out of the ground by a devious NW student who is caught by the police and forced to pay the $100 fine.”

“I would like to grow in the middle of Central Avenue until the third week in May at which time I will delight thousands of pilgrims making their journey to the Tulip Festival.”

“I dream of being threatened by a psychotic, hungry rabbit and protected by an angry Dutchman with a shovel.”

“My only hope is to be worn behind the ear of a small blue-eyed, blonde-haired Dutch citizen who will love and cherish me all the days of my life.”

Blue Smurffee finds new way to do sabbatical

BY SUSIE KUMQUAT

SMALL THINKING

Over the course of the past few weeks, President Blue Smurfee put together a summary of his recent sabbatical. Many students gasped when they realized that the summary was over 30 pages long, and many more requested a summary of the summary.

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- President Blue Smurfee

Smurffee’s emphasis over his presidency has been “a new way to do college,” and by leaving on this sabbatical, he intended to find those new ways.

Smurffee’s first stop was the island of Fiji, where he admits he very conveniently missed the snowstorm.

“Snowstorm?” he asked. “That’s news to me! Right before spring break….hmmm, that must have been the day I learned how to surf.”

The ocean view helped Smurffee focus on the calm and serenity of a non-stressful working environment, and he realized that Northwestern needed to implement this into their courses.

He is also considering the need for a water sports class at NW. All students in the class would take two weeks and travel to Fiji or another island to learn various water sports, including surfing, water skiing and Marco Polo.

Travel to an exotic island would also be implemented into the biology program, where students would spend a week deep-sea diving and learning about various ocean life forms.

Smurffee then traveled to India, where he met with several Hindus and Buddhists to learn the art of meditation. This helped him focus on peace and serenity. Upon retirement, he is considering teaching a class in the meditative arts.

“There is debate about the homework load for students in this class,” said Smurffee. “I think it would be a good idea for professors to not assign homework to any student in meditative arts. How are they supposed to concentrate if they have other homework to do?”

After his lessons in meditation, Smurffee headed back to the U.S. for a technology convention in New York City.

Smurffee hopes to apply the skills he learned there by speeding up the Internet connection and improving the quality of Internet service provided at NW.

When he announced his retirement, he was quoted as saying, “One of the distinctives of NW that we talk about is a small campus with a large worldview.” By improving the Internet service, he hopes to enhance that large worldview.

Along with that, Smurffee hopes to change the small campus. As a final stop before he returned to NW, he visited Dordt College’s campus.

“Dordt seems to offer a lot in terms of recreation,” said Smurffee. “I think I saw a swimming pool, an ice skating rink and even a bowling alley? We could definitely add those to NW’s campus as well.”

His plan is to add a separate building with these activities available.

Other plans for building include the new learning commons, three new dorms and apartments, a separate nursing lab and underground tunnels to avoid the highways.

With the increased student population that will likely occur because of the changes, more parking is also going to be offered.

“There is the space issue,” said Smurffee, “but I’m not opposed to having two separate campuses with one outside of town. Isn’t that the way other big-time schools do it?”

With his new plan, Smurffee only has one concern: “I sure hope the new president agrees with all this.”

Illustration by Gaba Gale

You’re invited to a panel discussion on

Weight Loss

Where: Saturday, May 4, at noon
Where: Vemeer South Dining Room
A light meal will be served.

Speakers include:
Manager of Sioux Center McDonald’s
Founder of Pizza Ranch
President of Blue Bunny
Head Chef of Sodexo

Speakers will bring samples from their respective businesses.

Illustration by Gaba Gale
Lacrosse team scores community-building tradition

BY A. BETHLEHEM CRUISE

In keeping with their efforts to become an officially recognized sports team, the Northwestern lacrosse team continues to announce their competition.

On Saturday, April 20, the sticks came out in heated competition against Sioux County rivals, the Dordt Defenders. Unfortunately, the Defenders did not live up to their name, as the Raiders defeated their fiercest rivals, 21-1.

The Defenders were astonished at the unbelievable turnaround the Raiders showed since their last meeting. In fact, Athletic Director Cary Grant was so pleased with the outstanding display of athletic ability that he gave the lacrosse team first preference to use Korver Field during the upcoming fall season.

"At NW, we pride ourselves on being able to beat Dordt in anything and everything," said Grant. "Since Dordt has yet to establish a football program, I have decided that the lacrosse team had first priority to use Korver Field during the upcoming fall season."

Traditionally in the sport of lacrosse, when a player scores his first career goal, after the game, he must strip down to his lowest layer of clothing and run a lap around the field with his stick between his legs. Grant, seeing this tradition carried out after the victory over Dordt, was intrigued and investigated the obvious community-building experience.

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"We decided to implement similar community-building celebrations in every athletic event," said Grant. "The baseball and softball teams will celebrate home runs and other broken records with a jog around the bases, dressed only in their undergarments, holding their bat and accompanied by the pitcher," Grant explained.

Senior middle Ned Lobsterbush loses his stick during rough play in lacrosse action last weekend. Lobsterbush lost a lot more than that after scoring his first career goal.

"I've been with the team since its foundation and have always coveted the respect official sports teams get," he continued. "If I had known that all we needed to do to gain that respect was beat Dordt, I would have pushed the team to win years ago."

With their tremendous victory, the lacrosse team also exerted their winning influence on other athletic teams at NW.

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The same idea will be upheld for the men's and women's soccer teams in celebrating their first career goals.

The golf teams will celebrate hole-in-one shots by playing the following hole in their skivvies.

The track and cross country teams will celebrate career best times by running their next race in their underwear as well.

Wanting to enforce the idea of community through these undergarment clad runs, Grant has sought out the help of Christmas Carol and Pristine Sheerbra to design special NW logo underwear for Red Raider athletes.

Mock-ups of the underwear will be available for purchase in the bookstore. President Blue Smurfee requests that fans keep current with the 125th anniversary celebration in coordination with the 125th anniversary celebration.

"Running around in your underwear is such a revolutionary concept," said Reekon. "It's been a tradition in Colenbrander for years; I don't know why it's taken so long for the sports teams to pick it up."

So Red Raider fans can anticipate exciting athletic competitions in the coming year with the official unveiling of this tradition to be celebrated at Homecoming 2007, in coordination with the 125th anniversary celebration.
Calling all forum-formers

BY PEACHES AND KUEHN
TRASH FINDER

Have you ever had an issue about which you wanted to raise awareness? Do you seek an easy way to make information readily available to all of campus? Would you like to provide an atmosphere of curiosity and conversation for those who share an interest in your issue? If so, then you won’t want to miss Tuesday’s panel discussion on how to conduct a forum.

Listen to a variety of views presented in an atmosphere of openness and acceptance. Professor Extraordinary Dip Lose will be a two-fold resource, providing information on the history of forums as well as the proper use of slang in panel discussion.

Lose has been a favorite among students and has partaken in his fair share of panel discussions. He stated, “My boos need to get their game on. Otherwise the panel loses all chances of being knurk.”

Preacher Man Martin Man Sport will share knowledge gleaned from his participation in numerous forums on a wide range of topics. He will also stress the importance of creating a tolerant and open environment. “I think it’s important for us to have these kinds of discussions,” said Man Sport. “If you can’t discuss current issues at a Christian liberal arts college, where can you? It’s all a part of integrating faith and learning.”

Man Sport further stated, “This is a place of learning. We should have the community of Third West Colenbrander when discussing hot topics and tough issues.”

Master of all things psychological, Dr. Hair Redpen, will offer insight into how to avoid awkward silences, keeping the audience engaged and agreeing to disagree.

So, if you’ve ever wanted to hold a forum or are looking for ways to be a better participant check out The Forum on Forums to be held at 7 p.m., on April 31, in Christ Chapel. Chapel credit will be offered if religious discussion ensues.

SGA to vote to install passion pits

BY PEACH FUZZ
JACK BUTT

The SGA voted today to vote next week on the possibility of having a vote to establish a committee to investigate the possibility of voting to create a committee to vote to establish a committee to investigate the possibility of reviewing the Public Displays of Affection policy on campus.

“Right now, we have no legislation on this issue. I hate to have anything uncontrolled on a Christian campus,” said an SGA spokesperson. “I think it’s important for us to have these kinds of discussions,” said Man Sport. “If you can’t discuss current issues at a Christian liberal arts college, where can you? It’s all a part of integrating faith and learning.”

Some students agree. “Once there was a couple kissing right outside my window. PDA makes me want to puke. That day I did puke. It stunk and ruined my dress,” senior Sally O’Neilly complained.

Harmful side effects of PDA include annoying people, accidentally biting each other’s tongues and making single people feel left out. The SGA has decided that it would like to see harsher punishments against those who engage in PDA. “If they just hold hands, we can take away their electricity for a week. If they kiss without tongue, we’ll give them a contract. If they make out, we’ll slap their hands with a ruler,” explained the SGA president.

A compromise has been proposed that would involve partitioning portions of campus as “passion pits” where couples can go to engage in affection behind curtains. Only three couples will be allowed per three-square-foot passion pit, in order to avoid the harmful effects of concentrated hormones. Other proposed policies include having students go off campus and display affection in front of the homes of local residents instead. “It’s ok,” an SGA representative explained. “We’ll talk to all the local residents first and explain that this is the hit they have to take for the good of a more pure Northwestern campus.”

Many other campuses across America have been installing passion pits as well in order to stem the tide of PDA. In order to keep track of all these places for people to engage in wild affection away from the public eye, they have begun to number them with Greek numerals.

“Everyone wants me on their team.”

“I hate to have anything so uncontrolled on a Christian campus.” - SGA Spokesperson

by KAY LAMASTADON
FANATIC

Dual weapons, pilot aircraft, intelligent enemy A.I... all controlled by your... fingers?

Davey Crockett, Northwestern’s elite video gamer, knows this all too well. Xbox’s Halo has brought great entertainment into his life. The Minnesota native has been playing as long as he can remember.

“My mom would say I’m addicted,” Crockett said. “I don’t think I am, maybe I was last year because of the connection in Coly, but not now. There aren’t as many people that play in the apartments.”

He wants to someday put together a tournament at the school so that students from all the dorms and from local high schools could go up against each other.

For now though, he’ll stick with going over to Coly to get his fill of the game. His skills are so excellent that often when he goes over to play, he will be put on a team with less experienced players. This way it makes the competition more even.

“Everyone wants me on their team. I beat all the competition.”

Crockett plays because he enjoys the feeling of winning. He also says it’s fun to get a group of people together and play.

“I think it would be amazing to have a team of four go play in a national tournament.” As of now, he can’t see that happening, but if he would ever have the offer come up to play professionally for a few seasons, he would do it.

If you want to read up on the professionals, get over to Coly to get his fill of the game. His passion for the game has made the competition more even.

With less experienced players. This way it makes the competition more even.

“Everyone wants me on their team.”

Go up against Crockett, then you should visit www.mlgpro.com. Until then though, he will remain the top player on NW’s campus.
Student Development to introduce new Facebook Tattler position

BY POURA LAKE-O-SUN

A new campus employment opportunity will be available next year, but because of its top-secret nature, you’re not likely to hear much about it. It is the position of Facebook Tattler, a job whose responsibilities exist solely of perusing students’ photo albums, printing photos in violation of school policies and relinquishing them to the proper authorities.

Student Development has decided to implement the position after the success of a trial run this year. Through the use of such covert tactics, a record number of contracts were distributed this year, to students who earlier may have scoffed at the reach of authority into their adult lives.

The current tattletale, speaking on condition of anonymity and who for this purpose will be referred to as Peeping Tom, commented on the rigors and rewards of his work.

“It’s a tough job, but somebody’s got to do it,” said Tom. “I know it wouldn’t make me the most popular student on campus if word got out, but I wouldn’t do it if I didn’t believe in the cause.”

Despite his commitment to his work, Tom noted the difficulty of being, in a sense, a double agent. “The hardest thing has probably been trying to keep it from my friends,” he said.

Although the tattler’s work has been largely confined to violations concerning alcohol, the department is considering expanding the position to crack down on other infringements of campus policies.

Residence Life Stud Rich And Handsome commented on the department’s future goals for the position. “There are several provisions in the handbook that are often overlooked,” he said, “and I believe enforcing those would improve the community of Northwestern.”

One suggested area would be that of language. According to the student handbook, “The language that we use says a lot about who we are and where our priorities lie….Proflanity, vulgarity and all other inappropriate language will not be tolerated within this community.”

If Student Development chooses to go that route, students could be disciplined for comments using vulgarity that they leave on other students’ walls and photos, with punishment most likely being the receiving of a contract.

Handsme also noted that the inspection of comments could lead to contracts for other violations, for instance if alcohol or sexual activity are mentioned. A wall post like, “Do you even remember calling me last night? You sounded so drunk!” could be grounds for discipline, according to Handsome. “Because Facebook is a public forum, any comments made there must be treated like ones overheard in the cafeteria or other campus location,” said Handsome.

However, students who have caught wind of the Facebook tattler have protested the invasion. “I think it’s pretty ridiculous,” said one student. “What are they going to do next, start planting spies in the dorms?”

Underachieve in a community of lifelong slackers

BY PEACHES AND KUEHN

TRASH-FINDER

Trips to the local bar, spring and fall chicken strip dinners and low demand classes with uncomplicated topics are just a few things in which members of the Northwestern Dishonors Program, can choose to participate. Students of all different majors and minors, particularly the undeclared, belong to this low-key group of the sub-par.

If you haven’t heard of the Dishonors Program, it’s probably because its members haven’t gotten around to advertising. Though proud of their membership, they tend to keep it on the D. L. Interest in the program, however, is on the rise.

Possible inspiration for this is the upcoming “Free Beer” lecture. Though associated with the Dishonors Program, the lecture will be held off-campus for a variety of reasons. Rumors have also been spreading regarding the requirements that must be met in order to join the program. Students are required to maintain a maximum GPA 2.0 and Casey’s participating in a variety of activities. They also enjoy gaming and plotting how to best move heavy signs from their places on campus to various locations around Orange City. You needn’t be planning on graduate school, or even in graduating at all, in order to join this program. The application process is simple and will be available online just as soon as the president of the program gets around to it.

The Dishonors Program will provide an exclusive seminar, available only to program members, on the topic of getting paid without really working. All students will be required to research an occupation of choice in which they can earn a high salary while playing solitary or other such activities.

MISSING!

SPOON

Usually accompanies ice cream or cereal. May be found near missing bowl or cup.

May be sticky due to use with ice cream products.

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