“Gone to Earth” makes its North American premiere

BY KIM EASON
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

“Gone to Earth,” a Gothic melodrama, opens tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Black Box Theatre. The play will also be shown on Saturday, Nov. 11 and next weekend, Nov. 15-18 at the same time.

“Gone to Earth” is set in the 1800’s in rural England. Hazel Woodus, played by sophomore Margaretta De Boer, is a beautiful, naïve young woman who was raised alone by her inattentive father. She finds herself attracted to two men: Jack Redden (sophomore Brady Callies), a roguish country squire, and Edward Marston (junior Eugene Huck), a gentle and idealistic parson. Both men are eager and willing to possess her.

Jack desires Hazel for her earthly beauty, and Edward desires her for her unearthly innocence. Hazel is out of her depth and struggles to understand her role when it comes to men. Throughout the play, misunderstanding, violence and redemption combine to educate Hazel in the ways of the world—a world in which she may not survive.

“It has a lot of dark, brooding, gruesome elements,” said Bob Hubbard, associate professor of theatre and speech. “It’s a really tough, challenging play,” said Hubbard. “But we’re not scared of it.” The play didn’t originally come with music, just rhythm beats between scenes, so senior Titus Landegent composed several numbers for the play.

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Priscilla Hagen, from the University of Sioux Falls, coached the actors in a Midland dialect, which is a combination of dialects like Welsh and Cockney. “It was kind of fun to use that,” said Hubbard.

Another unusual aspect to the production of “Gone to Earth” is the fact that there were all student designers. “It’s a very, very serious drama about as challenging a piece that I can remember,” said Hubbard.

Despite its Gothic connotations, the message itself is positive. Hubbard concluded, “To its very core, ‘Gone to Earth’ persuasively testifies for virtues central to a life of faith. Hazel’s compelling journey models the utter necessity of kindness of cruelty, joyfulness over despair, and forgiveness over judgment.”

Word on the street:
What do you think of the campus tobacco policy?

Will Moul

“Smoking, at least here on campus, is all about instant gratification, and they don’t realize the risk that’s involved in the future. They’re not going to be too happy when they’re on oxygen.”

Rebecca Callies

“Smoking makes me sick, and I would like to see it [the policy] more restrictive.”

Paul Elgersma

“I don’t really care. Maybe we should be like an airport and have smoking sections to make the most people happy. I do think it’s good that we don’t allow it indoors.”

Elizabeth Truesdell

“I would love to live in a smoke free world. It’s negative toward your health. People all deserve the right to choose. I don’t think it’s right for people to smoke...in common areas where people have to pass through.”

Tobacco forum draws crowd

BY JULIE JOHNSON
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On Wednesday evening, a group of students, faculty and staff met to discuss the campus tobacco policy. The existing policy states: “Smoking and chewing tobacco are not permitted in any building on the Northwestern College campus.” The policy also states that students are encouraged to refrain from using tobacco.

Due to concerns, a Student Government Association (SGA) committee has been formed, chaired by senior Jenna Fox.

Opening comments ranged from liking the policy to wanting reform. Concerns were expressed by both parties, with everyone seeming willing to listen and work to find an agreeable solution. Concerns are not focused on a single dorm but campus health as a whole.

According to the committee, there are health concerns to consider. Some students on campus have asthma or allergies that make smoking a dangerous hazard for them. Others simply don’t like the smell of smoke drifting into their rooms from the doorways where many students stand to smoke.

Freshman Jeff DeWit added to those concerns. “We are Christians. This is what we’re here for, to care about one another. We need to change to help [those with health concerns].”

Director of Maintenance and Operations Scott Simmelink had a word of caution for smokers on campus: “It’s dirty and expensive.” Simmelink also commented that even if the smoke itself is not in a room, the residue can stay on a person and drift in onto furnishings, staying for a long time.

Many students expressed concerns about community being lost, but even then, other students were quick to offer suggestions. One was a designated space for smoking on campus buildings. Another was a designated smoking “pit” on campus, where smoking and non-smoking students who wanted to could join together for fellowship.

Fox wanted to stress that the concerns are not focused on a single dorm but campus health as a whole. She also commented on the hours of research the committee has already done. Out of 20 Christian colleges of similar size, NW is one of three that doesn’t ban tobacco altogether.

Senior Ryan Crawford added that the SGA is not saying whether it’s right or wrong but that it’s an area of concern. “If there is concern among students about the current policy, then maybe you should look at in terms of maybe something isn’t quite right,” Crawford stated.

No action has been taken so far.
In sickness or health, till death do us part...

Equality at eighteen

In the United States, when you turn 18, you are legally considered an adult. As an adult, you are given the privilege of making rational life decisions. However, as an adult, you are still restricted from making one decision: whether or not to consume alcoholic beverages.

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- the choice to live independently,
- the ability to purchase firearms,
- the ability to go into debt.
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- the ability to purchase tobacco,
- the ability to decide whether or not to drink will allow he/she the opportunity
- the ability to purchase alcohol, he/she would be charged as a minor.

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An old adage says, “Age is just a number.” Who says that when you turn 21 you are suddenly more mature then when you were 18? Stamping a legal age on drinking won’t necessarily make those who legally drink any more responsible. A 40-year-old can drink just as irresponsibly as an 18-year-old.

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- the ability to choose a college, major, career, etc., and
- the ability to go into debt.

Also, since an 18-year-old is considered an adult, he/she is punished for any crimes as an adult. Adult punishments include imprisonment and the death penalty. So if an 18-year-old committed a crime, he/she would be tried and punished as an adult. But if an 18-year-old was caught consuming or possessing alcohol, he/she would be charged as a minor.

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Whether or not the legal drinking age is lowered to 18 is not necessarily my main argument. The problem I see is that an 18-year-old can be considered both an adult and a minor, depending on the situation. Our leaders need to learn to trust adults with complete responsibilities all at the same age. Limiting an adult’s privileges will simply encourage more desire to rebel. And why shouldn’t an 18-year-old adult be treated the same as a 21-year-old adult?

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Laptop checkout: what will you give me, eh?

BY KATIE VAN ETTEN
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It has recently come to my attention that you can actually trade something other than a school ID for a laptop in Ramaker Library. Even though I’m a junior and should know these quirky things about our small campus, it really surprised me to learn that you can essentially trade just about anything in order to get what you want the next time you don’t have your ID card; these are actual items that have been traded in the past.

10. A driver’s license. Apparently, this is a fairly typical item to use to try to get a laptop from the circulation desk. While it is still an ID, it just might have a way worse picture of you on it. And with all the terrible license pictures out there, you’ll at least possibly be giving the student worker a fun time. They can make fun of you and your middle-of-high-school-and Extremely-odd-years-smile, wherein you obviously tried to look good, but when your mom distracted you while Stan was snapping the picture, you ended up with a confused smirk and hair in your face.

9. A credit card. Hmm. This one might be a little risky to hand over. Not saying I don’t trust the people who work at the desk, but I don’t even own a credit card because I don’t trust myself with one. On the other hand, you’ll definitely be giving proper collateral in the case that you get frustrated at the laptop, walk outside the library with it, throw it down on the sidewalk and ride over it with a stolen bike, parked just outside for your convenience.

8. Your cell phone. Let’s be honest for a moment. These community-suckers are used way too much on campus. Perhaps giving up your cell phone could be very easy for you, but it could be a challenge for some. Why not embrace the opportunity to really grow into a tender human being while you work on the laptop? You just might have the opportunity to talk to someone real.

7. Any type of jewelry.
Apparentely, bracelets are quite common at the Reserve desk. But don’t feel limited to bracelets. You could try rings, watches, earrings, brooches... the sky’s the limit.

6. An article of clothing. A hat, a headband, possibly even your leather jacket. Someone told me that she even gave her shoe up once because she didn’t have anything else to give. In one of these cases, you’ll definitely want to return the laptop before leaving the library; winter months are ahead.

5. Car keys. Neat-o fact: while you could use your car keys to borrow a laptop, you could instead borrow the bell at the circulation desk. You might not get as much work done, but you could have a really fun time training your roommate to answer the bell in her sleep, banking on the exquisite experiments of Ivan Pavlov.

4. Digital camera. Unfortunately, if you trade your digital camera for a laptop, you won’t be able to take any pictures while you’re in the library. But why would you have your digital camera in the library to begin with? Research?

3. Your compact. Why would you have your compact at the library? Oh, “studying.” are you?

2. Calculator. Now this is a pretty smarting trade. Because the laptops have calculators programmed on them, you won’t have to feel like you’re missing anything incredibly special to you while you work. Unless your calculator is a TI-83. Those calculators are amazing; they can do just anything! During high school, I had the first ten levels of Mario programmed on my TI-83.

1. Your lanyard with all your key chains on it. If you give up this special item, you will most definitely receive special treatment. In the past when students have traded their lanyards with multiple key chains on it, the librarians have had no way of placing them in the card-holder; there is just not enough room. Luckily, there is a box below where the key chains go.

Make sure to keep these items in mind the next time you venture over to the library in need of a laptop. Depending on what you trade for one, you could be changing your experience or the student worker’s for the better.

Tasteful extravagance of coffee

BY ABIGAIL NEDRUD
PHOTO EDITOR

Northwestern senior Ryan Doughan and his brothers Colin and Adam have combined to provide a tastefully extravagant experience for coffee lovers in the area with the opening of Butler’s Café and Coffee. The NW alumni started this coffee shop because, as Colin said, the brothers “love small towns and want to grow community.” Their goal as owners is to treat every guest as above themselves, becoming servants in a Christ-like manner. This service is shown through details—beautiful surroundings, an excellent menu, fair trade beans and a sense of community.

The aroma of coffee is so distinct that it can bring memories and stories to a person’s mind. Butler’s Café and Coffee wants every customer to leave with a story to tell, whether it is “I had an amazing cup of espresso” or “I was able to fall in love with a good book again.” These features of this shop provide an encouraging atmosphere to have coffee with friends or alone. A floor to ceiling wall of books contains favorites of the three brothers so that guests may engross themselves in good literature, including everything from “Curious George” to “A Tale of Two Cities.” There is a stain glass window to add to the extravaganza, a four-sided fireplace for warmth and generosity and luscious elements such as a waterfall and grandfather clock in the bathrooms. Butler’s offers a drive-thru window and newspapers from across the country, as well as a study nook that can hold about six people. A professional potter will be selling handmade cups, bowls and other ceramics, and student art shows will be shown, starting this month with a class from Dordt.

As well as offering an enjoyable atmosphere and atmosphere for guests, Butler’s provides a menu that fits both the tasteful and extravagant themes. They try to serve foods that cannot be found other places and are especially proud of their Panini sandwiches. These sandwich combine textures and flavors of warm and creamy, cool and crunchy. Colin described their menu as a cross between Starbucks coffee and Panera Bread sandwiches. They also offer cheesecake, muffins, bagels, cookies, desserts, soup bread bowls and imported chocolates, as well as many other tasty foods. Butler’s uses 100% Arabica beans, reflecting the finest taste and quality of coffee. These beans are all certified fair trade, in keeping with the theme of community. Fair trade verifies that workers are provided a fair wage, good child care and adequate health care. When a patron drinks coffee at Butler’s, they can be certain that their coffee was harvested and dried by workers who are well cared for. A community can grow when they learn to look towards the interests of those surrounding them and not just the immediate benefits.

Butler’s Café and Coffee is located at 85 West 1st Street in Sioux Center behind Lewis Drug and diagonal from Fairway. They opened Wednesday night, but their grand opening is next week. If students need a study break, date night or just an escape from campus, the Doughan brothers encourage them to try Butler’s Café and Coffee.
By Leah Van Eaton

The deep lines of his African-American face stretched into a wide grin as Dr. John Perkins, founder of the Christian Community Development Association (CCDA), looked out at the sea of people gathered for the 2006 CCDA annual conference. The conference is geared towards those people who practice Christian Community Development throughout the world. It is a time for people to be renewed, have a chance to connect with others in the field and learn through classes and workshops. Perkins began to preach to this crowd of around 2,000 people.

He sees CCDA as “a link to reality for students [who] can make a difference in the future.” Avery also appreciates the opportunity CCDA provides as a place for NW students, faculty and staff to “interact with practitioners, not just theorists or intellectuals.”

Even in rural Iowa, senior Kevin Sas is making connections with the urban ministry of CCDA. Sas worked in inner city Charlottesville, Va., during the summer of 2005 through the Spencer Perkins Fellowship program, a facet of the Nehemiah Urban Ministry Initiative (NUMI). Since then, he has attended two CCDA conferences and has seen the association as important to Christian ministry, including the ministry of NW. He believes the association and conference provide “awareness of issues that are going on here in our own country, like the oppression of the poor.” “I don’t really know what I want to do with my life, but I would love to live in a community that’s doing Christian Community Development (CCD),” said Sas.

Largely through Spring Service Projects, NW is working with CCD ministries such as Mendenhall Ministries, the Harambee Center, Trinity Christian Community, Urban Impact and others. According to Nonnemacher, partnering with the CCDA is a part of “exposing students to experiences off-campus.” NW plans on continuing its involvement with the CCDA, and Nonnemacher is excited about next year’s conference: “It’s in St. Louis next year—Let’s take both buses!”

Practicing the development of Christian Community

Relocation, Reconciliation and Redistribution - The Three R’s of the CCDA

Coordinator Dave Nonnemacher described Perkins as “beyond inspiring. He’s one of those people who can speak profound truth in a simple manner.” Perkins may be 76 years old, but this man can still preach.

How does this association and its “modern day prophet” relate to NW? This year marks the third that NW has sent both students and faculty to attend the CCDA conference. NW is also currently a CCDA member organization, along with approximately 500 other organizations throughout the world. Nonnemacher described NW’s connection to the CCDA stating, “Essentially, being part of CCDA connects us to something larger.”

Assistant Professor of Business and Economics Michael Avery attended the CCDA conference this year and in 2004.
The hidden cost of credit cards

BY STEPHANIE HAGUE
STAFF WRITER

Cash is becoming obsolete as plastic is becoming our preferred form of currency, and the “buy now, pay later” mentality is congruent to the busy college student lifestyle. The average college student will graduate with $22,727 in student loans. Credit cards, for a majority of students, are the cause of a slide deeper into debt. However, wise decisions regarding credit card usage can help students remain debt-free and build good credit.

Credit cards are not inherently evil; they do provide many benefits. They are extremely convenient—pay at the pump, on-line shopping, not carrying around heaps of cash—and they are helpful in emergency situations. Correct credit card usage can also help you to establish good credit, allowing for the future purchases of a home, car, or other high-priced items. It can even aid in job opportunities.

It is important to be aware of the fine print of credit cards. Some cards offer low introductory rates, but they are short-lived and end up higher than regular interest rates. Some cards hold annual fees just for using the credit card. Many credit card companies reserve the right to raise rates, annual fees or other charges even if you are diligent in paying off the monthly balance. Credit card companies aggressively pursue college students, bombarding mailboxes with credit card offers and giving away free merchandise for signing up for a new card. Attaining a credit card is fairly easy. It is just as easy to rack up credit card debt. On average, purchases are 12 to 18% higher when made with a credit card instead of cash. The top college student purchases made with credit cards are clothing, music, food and school supplies. These purchases tend to add up quickly. Of the 76% of college students that have at least one credit card, the average balance is $2,169.

There are serious long-term repercussions to credit card misusage. On top of extra charges and a possible increase in interest rates, missed payments can affect your credit report for up to seven years. Bad credit can result in a loss of housing, or even job opportunities. Career Counselor Kirsten Hyatt said, “If you can’t manage your own money, then why would a company want to trust you with theirs?”

The key to successful credit card usage is awareness. Consumers need to be aware of interest rates, annual fees, principal balance and grace period (how long you have to pay your bill free). Shop around for a card that fits you. Many cards now offer specific rewards such as cash back or frequent flier miles. It is recommended that you look for a grace period longer than 25 days. Also, limit the number of cards you have, and never pay one credit card off with another. Pay each balance in full each month. Some words of wisdom from Financial Literacy Officer for Iowa Student Loan Heather Norris: “Live like a college student now so you don’t have to live like a college student later.”

For more information on dealing with credit card and other debt check out www.collegesuccess.org.

One way to have an “Ultimate” Sunday

BY RENEE NYHOF
STAFF WRITER

“Disk!” As this word echoes across the mini-gym floor, students whirl after the spinning object soaring through the air. Some display excellent vertical jumps trying to retrieve the disk for their team. Other players dive to the ground to prevent the precious item from getting into enemy hands. This is Ultimate Frisbee, or “Ultimate,” as most players refer to it.

You may remember playing this type of game in your high school gym class, thinking you’d never hear of it again. “Ultimate,” however, has become a part of the weekly routines for a number of Northwest students. Every Sunday night following Praise and Worship, Ultimate Frisbee players trickle into the mini-gym.

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At first glance, it may seem this sport is played by Heemstra guys only. Though they started up Ultimate Frisbee on campus (the exact year is unknown), it is open to all students. Between 10:15 and 10:30 p.m., students divide into two teams, shirts and skins, and the game begins. Students arriving late can join either team. How does one play “Ultimate”? The object of the game is to pass the frisbee to team members while attempting to make it to the other side. Once the frisbee hits your opponent’s wall, your team has one point. Each game is played to 10 points. One to three games take place each Sunday night.

“Ultimate” is simple enough, and the list of rules is short. Each player calls his or her own fouls. There is no tackling. Contact may occur but shouldn’t be done intentionally. These conditions allow for an environment of friendly competition, which is why many students play.

“The main reason I play ‘Ultimate’ is the fun of it,” said junior Seth Halford. “The exercise is just a benefit to it.” Senior Danny Dekker commented, “I play because I love Ultimate Frisbee; it’s a great way to get some running in at least once a week.”

Sophomore Matt Studt added, “For me, it is some about the exercise. But it’s also a time to forget about the stresses of college. It’s also a good time to hang out with friends I don’t see too often.”

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Junior Justin Robb said, “I like the intensity from all who play. It is exciting when everyone is giving it their all out on the court.”

Senior Josh Van Aartsen’s reason for playing “Ultimate” has not changed in four years: “I play for the community time with fellow Heemstra members and others who causally join us. My freshman year, I would play about as much as possible just to meet upperclassmen. Now that I am a senior, I play in hope that underclassmen will keep the tradition alive for future classes to enjoy.”

Girls are not discouraged from playing. Senior Stephanie Hague chose to play on Sunday nights because it’s more competitive. She said the guys are quirky and random, which allows funny things to happen all the time. She recalled one player last year that had a battle cry. With new people coming in, the game transforms; they bring different aspects to the game that is fun to see.

No matter what the reason for playing, “there’s no pressure at all,” said sophomore Matt Studt. “There’s no reason to force someone to play a game.”

Anyone interested in joining can come over after Praise and Worship and be a part of the “Ultimate” Sunday night frisbee team. Benches are also available for observing the game. Be warned: you may need to duck if a frisbee suddenly hurtles your way.
Raider women open with three straight wins

BY BETHANY KROEZE

Northwestern’s women’s basketball team fired into their season last week, beginning with a sound defeat of Valley City State 97-65 in the season opener last Friday night. The women followed that up with another big win over Jamestown College on Saturday night.

With a 78-56 victory over Waldorf College Wednesday night, the Red Raiders, who were ranked third in the NAIA preseason poll, improved to 3-0 on the season.

The women started the game with a two-point jumper by junior Miranda Boekhout and maintained the advantage throughout the rest of the game, never letting the Warriors grab the lead.

With 12 seconds left in the first half, junior Deb Remmerde sunk back to back free throws to give the Raiders a nine-point lead going into halftime.

The Raiders came back to outscore the Warriors 41-28 in the second half and to take the victory.

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“Grabbing the lead only once in the first five minutes, a lay-up by junior Crystal Algood with 12 minutes left in the half gave the Raiders a 12-10 lead, and they never looked back. They ended the half with a lay-up by senior Jaime Hoogh, which gave the Raiders a 39-30 lead.”

The second half started with a two-point jumper by Remmerde, recording personal best times of 26:32 and 26:33, respectively.

“Anthony and Dan lead the men to a great race,” said Thompson. “The men stayed in contact with each other on the course, and that helped them obtain some good times.”

Ebert said, “Most everyone had a good race. It was tough competition, but it was a very positive experience because we peaked at the right time and were able to see some of the fruits of our labor.”

The men, who finished 16th of 17 teams with a score of 266, just missed finishing in the top half of the competition.

“We were only four points from eighth place,” said Walhof. “That stings a little because the difference is so small, but on the other hand, nine of the guys ran personal records on Saturday so we can’t say it’s because we didn’t run well.”

As for next year, the team has high hopes. Walhof said, “I believe that on the men’s side, placing fifth in the Region III Meet isn’t out of our reach.”

Ebert said, “If we can get everyone to do the necessary work between now and then, we have the potential to really move up in the field. Hopefully, we can lay the foundation for a continued tradition of excellence.”

The women will return all of their runners out of their line in less than a minute, which helped the team score.

“Laura did a good job setting the pace for the women,” said head coach Dale Thompson. “Our top five women got across the line in less than a minute, which helped the team score.”

Following Jacobson were Jennifer Moseman and Ingrid Carlson.

“I felt that the team really did run well together and pushed each other along,” said Storm.

“I think that the regional meet had some fierce competitors and tough teams,” Storm said. “NW really hung in there and came out alright. Most of the girls were happy about the way they ran and finished.”

Ainslie said, “I think that everyone had a good last race. We had several personal records made, which showed that everyone must have run to the best of their ability.”

Carlson, sophomores Cathy Nelson and Julie Nelson and freshman Natalie Johnson all recorded personal best times at the regional meet.

The men’s team was led by junior Anthony Ebert and sophomore Dan Walhof, finishing 36th and 37th, respectively. Ebert and Walhof crossed the finish line together, each
Men’s basketball 2-1 to start season

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The Northwestern men’s basketball team started their season last weekend with a victory over Valley City State 90-70 on Friday night. After losing to Jamestown in a double-overtime battle Saturday night, the Raiders went on to defeat Dakota State on Wednesday night in Madison, S.D.

Despite trailing by a point early in the first half, the Raiders came back with a 23-2 run, dominating the Trojans at halftime with an impressive 63-31 lead. Junior Curt Schilling led the offensive effort, shooting eight of 10 from the floor for a total of 21 points. Joining Schilling in double figure scoring were freshman Brent Dunkleberger (12), junior Chad Schuiteman (11) and Mark De Younge (10) and sophomore Josh Van Es (10).

De Younge said, “The biggest accomplishment during the game was probably our ball reversals. We moved the ball on offense, making it easier to get good open looks.”

Scoring many points came easily for the Raiders Tuesday night. “We need to continue to move the ball on offense and continue to genuinely encourage each other,” said sophomore Andrew Stimson.

Senior Karl Towns led the rebounding effort for the Raiders, pulling down 11 boards. Schuiteman contributed on both sides, grabbing five defensive boards and dishing out five assists. De Younge also added three rebounds and four assists to the Raider effort.

“This season, we need to keep focusing on the team and how each player compliments each other,” said head coach Kris Korver. “We need to build on individual strengths to complete the team.”

Jamestown 98, NWC 96

In a double-overtime battle Saturday night, the Raiders recorded their first loss of the season, falling to the Jamestown Jimmies 96-98.

“Every night we play a team that we can beat,” said Korver. “But every night we also play a team that can beat us.”

“We need to focus on getting better each day and playing the best basketball we can play,” said Schilling.

A two-point De Younge jumper put the Raiders on the board in the second minute of action. The Raiders maintained their lead throughout the first half, going into the locker room with a 43-38 lead.

De Younge started the second half with a three-pointer, assisted by Schilling. A three-pointer by Jamestown’s Andy Bachmeier gave the Jimmies their first lead of the second half. With one second remaining in regulation, Schuiteman hit a two-pointer, assisted by Stimson, to send the game into overtime, tied at 77.

About a minute and a half into the overtime period, Schilling nailed a two-point jumper. Another Schilling three-pointer with eight seconds remaining sent the game into a second overtime, all knotted up at 87.

Stimson started the second overtime with a lay-up and the back-and-forth battle for the victory continued. Tied at 96 with 23 seconds remaining, the Jimmies converted two free throw shots after a foul by Schuiteman. A missed jumper by Stimson and a missed three by Schilling in the remaining seconds of the game gave the Jimmies the 98-96 victory.

Looking ahead to the next several games, De Younge commented, “We need to continue to cut down on turnovers and continue to pressure the ball on defense.”

“We need to improve and take one game at a time,” said Stimson. “The Pizza Ranch tournament should be a good one.”

The Raiders host the Pizza Ranch Classic this weekend, taking on Viterbo College Friday night at 8 p.m. and Lindenwood University Saturday at 4 p.m. in the Bultman Center.

Raider wrestlers starting strong

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As of last weekend, Northwestern’s wrestling season is officially underway. The NW men traveled to SDSU in Brookings, S. D., to wrestle in the first open tournament of the year.

The tournament started well for the NW men with 177-pounder Brian Heiberger taking the first victory and pin of the season for the Raiders. His win was followed by five other wrestlers, two of whom placed in the tournament.

Four of the six winning wrestlers were freshman, bringing in strong new talent for next season. Freshman (157) and Matt Leither (184) both dominated in their matches, while Cody Hazard (149) won with a pin. Placing in the top eight of the heavyweight division was freshman Sazlystra.

Sophomore Enoch Francois (174) led the NW men throughout the tournament and finished third in his weight class. Although discouraged after losing the semifinals match, Francois was encouraged by Head Coach John Petty and said, “I went out there (for the consolation match) and put it all on the line. At the sound of that whistle, I was pushin’ it, one shot at a time.” He succeeded in achieving the win and was the first Raider wrestler to qualify for the NAIA national tournament this year.

Francois has high aspirations for this season. He stated, “My hope for the team this year is that we all keep pushin’ it to the limit. By everyone putting it all on the line one match at a time, we will start seeing ourselves gradually improve as a team. I hope that our team can accomplish our goals of becoming conference champs, regional champs, and work toward being national champions.”

The meet was the first opportunity for the Raider wrestlers to put a new philosophy of practice into action. After having had pre-season 6:00 a.m. practices for a little over a month, Heiberger stated, “I am excited that the wrestling season has begun; getting out of the practice room and onto the tournament floor has been a blast. I have high hopes for how the team is going to perform. We are working hard all the time, and I can’t wait to see what the end of the season will bring.”

The Raider wrestlers are also under new coaching instruction this year. Petty comes from Prescott, Ariz., and has some great ideas that he is implementing into the wrestling program. His coaching philosophy is based on two verses. Philippians 4:13 states, “I can do everything through Him who gives me strength.” In relation to this verse, Petty said, “God did equips. He blessed us to be athletes. He may not have promised us an undefeated season, but we can glorify him in our defeats.”

Petty states that “a complete wrestling program for student athletes includes character, academic and athletic [aspects]. Each wrestler should have excellence in all they do.” He bases this part of his philosophy on Colossians 3:23, “Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men.”

To encourage this sort of excellence, he not only helps his wrestlers excel athletically, but he also helps them achieve academic excellence with nightly two hour team study sessions in the library.

Petty has high hopes for the season and said that the team is “doing extremely well and working hard.”

Tomorrow the Raiders will compete in the Dakota Wesleyan Open in Mitchell, S. D. The tournament begins at 9 a.m.
Musical ensembles to perform this weekend

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Symphonic Band
Tonight at 7:30, the symphonic band, under the direction of Associate Professor of Music Timothy McGarvey, will perform in Christ Chapel. The concert, which is divided into two parts, includes eight pieces, one of which is a world premiere.

"The first part of the program is designed as a journey that the music takes the listener on," said McGarvey. It starts with "Blue Sky Day" by Timothy Mahr and ends with Dana Wilson's "Shortcut Home."

The second part of the show will include the world premiere "Concerto for Marimba and Wind Ensemble" by world renowned composer David Gillingham. Associate Professor of Music Marc Wooldridge will be performing a solo on marimba.

About three and a half years ago, Wooldridge contacted Gillingham about composing this piece. In order to fund this, Wooldridge headed up a consortium of around twenty schools. Since Wooldridge headed up the consortium and contacted Gillingham, Northwestern has the privilege of doing the world premiere. The other schools in the consortium have the privilege of playing the piece for a year before it is sold to anyone who wants to play it.

"Gillingham is one of the most sought-after wind band composers in the world. We're thrilled to do the world premiere of this piece," said McGarvey. Gillingham will be present at the concert to hear the first performance.

Jazz Band/Percussion Ensemble
Tomorrow night, Nov. 11, the Northwestern College Jazz Band and Percussion Ensemble will be performing their first concert. The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. in Christ Chapel.

The Jazz Band, directed by McGarvey, will be performing first. They will open with Paul Shaffer's CBS "Late Night Theme" and end with Lennie Nelson's up-tempo swing piece "Catch as Catch Can."

The Jazz Band will also be performing "Haitian Fight Song" by Charles Mingus, a civil activist supporting the 19th century battle that eventually led to slavery freedom in Haiti.

The second part of the event will feature four culturally creative pieces, performed by the percussion ensemble, under the direction of Wooldridge. Wooldridge says, "This ethnic variety is typical for percussion, since it borrows elements from all over the world."

Wooldridge composed two of the pieces that the ensemble will perform. "Hoe Down" is a piece in which the three players performing it use only their bodies as instruments. The other piece composed by Wooldridge is "Indian Counterpoint" which reflects a complex rhythm structure in Indian music. Wooldridge marks this piece as interesting because each time it is performed it is done a little bit differently; it can be done with a different number of players each time and is altered by the players' suggestions and ideas as to how its performance should look.

Sophomores Bethany Landegent and Rachel Kleinsasser, members of the ensembles, agree that both of these groups create a great atmosphere of fellowship. "We have some really fun songs that will really get you grooving," said Landegent.

McGarvey added, "It will be a very interesting and fun concert because there are a variety of pieces and a lot of student solos."

Edman to speak at conference

BY JAIME EVENHUIS
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Associate Professor of Psychology Laird Edman is scheduled to speak at this year's annual Iowa Teachers of Psychology conference, which is tonight at Central College in Pella.

Last fall, Edman spoke on critical thinking and epistemology at the Society for the Teaching of Psychology conference in Atlanta. Members in the audience heard his lecture and invited him to be one of the keynote speakers at the Iowa Teachers of Psychology conference.

Edman will speak on "Knowing About Knowing: Issues in Epistemological Development for the Classroom." In order to teach critical thinking skills, professors must find appropriate topics that coincide with a student's abilities. Edman plans to share his current research concerning the development of student's thinking processes. Understanding this research can help professors learn how to better teach and relate to their students. This research applies to students ranging from ninth grade to graduate school.

Audience members will include college professors as well as high school teachers. The other keynote speaker is Dr. Meg Gerrard from Iowa State University. Varieties of issues concerning the teaching of psychology are to be discussed.

Global Vision Week celebrates diversity and multiculturalism

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Nov. 13 to 17 marks the observation of Global Vision Week on Northwestern's campus. Global Vision Week is part of a nationally recognized International Education Week to create awareness of diversity and multiculturalism.

"The name change is giving a sense of what it's really about," said Multicultural Affairs Coordinator Anila Karunakar. "It's about having a global kingdom perspective."

The week will start off with a worship service in Christ Chapel on Monday, starting at 9 p.m.

"The service is about praising God from our cultural context," said Karunakar.

"We can celebrate our culture because it's God-given," added junior multicultural intern Kadie Becker. On Tuesday, there will be a Global Fair in Fern Smith Lobby from 5 to 7 p.m. Study abroad offices will collaborate with Campus Missions to display different tables highlighting Summer of Service, Summer Study Abroad programs and any international experiences that students wish to share. An ethnic dress contest will take place throughout the day on Wednesday. Students, faculty and staff are all invited to dress up in traditional ethnic costumes. Five judges will determine the best dressed winner, who will then be announced later in the week.

Wednesday night will also host a cultural celebration supper at the cafeteria. Associate Professor of Music Marc Wooldridge will provide musical entertainment for the evening.

On Friday, the International Club (I-Club) will lead chapel. The week will wrap up with the I-Club coffee house on Friday evening in the Bultman Center, starting at 7 p.m. The event will include cultural performances and music as well as coffee and Italian sodas. The winner of Wednesday's ethnic dress contest will also be announced at the coffee house.

Global Vision Week, a partnering of the multicultural affairs office and Summer Study Abroad program, intends to live up to its name. "We want people to grasp a bigger sense of what God's kingdom looks like," said Becker.

Global Vision Week to create awareness of diversity and multiculturalism.

On November 6, Transparency International ranked 163 countries on the perceived level of corruption among public officials and politicians. They concluded that Haiti, the poorest country in the Americas, is the most corrupt country. Iraq, Myanmar and Guinea followed Haiti. Violence and poverty are the main reasons for the corruption levels.

Bulent Ecevit, a five-time Turkish premier and socialist leader died at Ankara's GATA military hospital. He was in a coma for six months following a stroke. Ecevit was a staunch left-wing leader and was premier from 1999 to 2002.

Emomalii Rahmonov, the president of Tajikistan, won re-election with 79.3 percent support. The U.S. has pledged to help in improving security as well as expanding economic opportunities and political plurality.

Saddam Hussein appeared before the court for the last time in his genocide trial. Hussein and two co-defendants were sentenced to death by hanging. The trial automatically goes to a nine judge appeals court, which has unlimited time to review the case. If the sentences are upheld, executions must take place within 30 days.