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One student's thoughts on the Beijing Olympics protests

One world, one dream?

BY SISI WANG  
STAFF WRITER

The People’s Republic of China was established in 1949, and since then the Chinese have had a dream to host the Olympic Games. However, they weren’t ready. When the Tokyo Summer Olympics took place, their dreams became even bigger. The Chinese Olympic Committee bid on multiple Olympic Games, but their dreams were never fulfilled. On the night of July 14, 2001, millions of Chinese all over the world sat at home watching TV and waiting for the announcement to find out which country would be the lucky one to host the 2008 Olympics. And the miracle happened; finally their one dream came true.

Since that moment, the Chinese government and citizens began preparations to welcome thousands of guests from all over the world. It is not only about the economic growth that will flow into Beijing, it is also a way to display Chinese culture and show the beauty of city. However, when I saw the Torch Run protests in France, San Francisco and Los Angeles, I was shocked and also crushed. There are two protesting parties: pro-Tibet and pro-China. Many of the signs from the protests said, “Save Tibet, Free Tibet,” and some even said “Stop Beijing Olympics.” Many readers may wonder at this point: Why is this happening?

On March 14, 2008 the capital of Tibet, Lhasa, was left in chaos after ethnic Tibetans erupted in violent protesting Chinese rule. This day was called “Tibet Independence Forces Day.” Twenty-six innocent people were killed in this incident.

The spiritual and governmental leader of Tibet—the Dalai Lama—expressed the need for peace talks to take place with the Chinese government. The protests were not by his will, as he is a strong supporter of the Beijing Olympics. But pro-Tibet protesters attempted to put out the torch several times to show that they wanted to halt the Beijing Olympics and gain independence from China. On top of these pro-Tibet protesters, many presidents and prime ministers decided not to attend the opening ceremonies of the Olympic Games to force Chinese leaders into having peace talks with the Dalai Lama.

The question is, “When did the Olympic Games become a part of a political conference?” Although several people are for protesting the Olympics, the Games will still happen, and they will be a great success for China. On August 8, 2008 at 8 p.m. when the torch fire finally reaches its destination point and lights up beneath the Beijing sky, thousands of athletes and spectators alike will join together to compete and fellowship in great sportsmanship as in centuries past.

After two World Wars, after the rebuilding of destroyed ties, and after the healing of families, China is finally ready. The one dream they have is to host one of the greatest Olympics, and now they have their chance.

Music ensembles perform during last couple weeks

BY CHANTELLE STEGGERTA  
STAFF WRITER

In the final weekends before classes are out for the summer, Northwestern students will have several opportunities to support and appreciate the work of their musical friends and fellows.

On Friday, April 25, the Symphonic Band and Symphonette will hold a joint concert. In addition to two other pieces, the Symphonic Band will play Ian Polster’s arrangement of “Four Dances” from Leonard Bernstein’s “West Side Story,” as well as David Gillingham’s “And Can It Be?” which he wrote within the year McGarvey feels that the piece is open to the public.

The A cappella Choir will perform with the Sioux City Oratorio Choir on Saturday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. when the torch fire finally reaches its destination point and lights up beneath the Beijing sky, thousands of athletes and spectators alike will join together to compete and fellowship in great sportsmanship as in centuries past.

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Symphonette will be playing to pieces from Bach’s “Orchestral Suite No. 3,” as well as a piece from Tchaikovsky’s “Serenade for Strings.” They will also play Bartok’s “Romanian Dances,” featuring a violin solo by senior music major Aubrey Weger.

All in all, McGarvey observed, “There’s an immense amount of variety. The audience is going to come away with very, very different things in interesting and exciting ways.”

April 26, the following Saturday, the A cappella Choir will join with the Sioux City Oratorio Choir to perform Mozart’s “Requiem” and motet “Ave Verum Cupus.” The concert will feature four soloists from the Chorus.

“We chose the Mozart Requiem because it holds a special prominence among the great choral and orchestral works,” commented Professor Thomas Holm, who directs both the Choir and the Chorus. “Mozart had the unique ability to capture the drama in whatever text he was setting, whether opera or liturgical.”

Those wishing to attend can purchase tickets in advance at the Dove Bookstore and the NW and Dordt music departments. Student tickets cost $3 in advance and $5 at the door, while non-student tickets cost $5 in advance and $7 at the door.

“The oratorio singers provide experience and singing expertise,” explained Holm about the combined group, “while the A cappella Choir provides a certain youthful energy to the chemistry.”

On the last day of classes, May 2, the Chamber Ensembles will have a concert featuring the Brass Quintet, directed by McGarvey, and the String Quartet, directed by adjunct Professor Lee Thorson.

All concerts will be open to the public.

PHOTO BY CLARE WINTER  
The A cappella choir will perform with the Sioux City Oratorio Choir on Saturday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Christ Chapel.
Feelin’ hot, hot, hot...

BY MATT STANISLAV

It seems like the first D-group meeting of every fall semester, students gather together all over campus and say variations of the same thing: “I really stumbled this summer,” “I let my friends influence me too much this summer,” “I really missed the accountability I had on campus.” What all of these statements imply is that the majority of students come back to campus feeling lukewarm in their faith. Now at first, this does not seem like that big of a problem; at least people are not coming back cold in their faith, right? Wrong. The Bible is fairly clear in the position it takes on lukewarm religiosity: just read Revelation 3:14-22. In this passage, John is relaying the message he received from the Lord to the Church at Laodicea and he says, “I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot; I wish that you were cold or hot. So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth.” If these words of the Bible are true, we as Christians need to find ways to avoid living lives of lukewarm faith. So, what can you do this summer to avoid this pitfall? Here are some suggestions for staying hot in your faith this summer.

- Daily Bible reading and prayer: I agree with the teachings of John Stott, the famous British Evangelical, when he said that anyone who has a Bible and a reliable alarm clock has the ability to be in the Word every day. One of the easiest ways for us as Christians to stay connected with God is to listen to him by daily reading his Word and talking with him through prayer.
- Scripture memorization: In Psalm 119:16, the Psalmist asks a question and then answers it. In verse 9 it says, “How can a young man keep his way pure?” His answer to this question was, “By keeping it [his way] according to your [God’s] word.” The Psalmist then goes on to say, “Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against you.” If we desire to keep our ways pure, if we desire to stay hot in our faith, then we ought to dedicate ourselves to memorizing some Scripture. My advice, start off with small sections of Scripture that are important to you and then work yourself into larger sections later.
- Get involved with a group of Christians: The latter section of 1 Corinthians 12 speaks of Christians as all being different parts of the Christian body. Each part is necessary and relied upon by other parts. When we as Christians are not involved with other believers, we are depriving ourselves of the support we need and we are depriving others of what we contribute. Many of us will go home to high school friends who are unsupportive of our faith. This makes it crucial that we be connected to the body, whether through a church or through some sort of small group, so that we can remain spiritually hot.

Give yourself some attainable spiritual goals: My final encouragement to each of you is that you set goals for yourself this summer. Some interesting and attainable goals may be: read two to three spiritual (non-fiction) books, write a sermon, memorize a book of the Bible, discover and develop your spiritual gift, spend two to three weekends out of your summer volunteering somewhere, or maybe spend an hour a day in Bible reading, prayer, and quiet time. Whatever you decide your goals will be, write them down and share them with someone who will hold you accountable. If you do this, and you achieve your spiritual goals this summer, I am confident that you will come back to campus in the fall as a hot Christian!

Fish and long-term visions

BY ROSS HUNTER

I’m generally not one for advertising stuff, and I don’t know if making a plug for a cause counts as an opinion. That being said, I’d like to introduce you to a man who is trying to familiarize you with something I think you ought to know, and form your own opinions about.

A few days ago I had the privilege of meeting with Dave Nonnenmacher and Professor Abe Schaeffer, in company with a small group of students, to talk about a new, or rather expanded, vision for education at NW—but first a bit of background. Dave has a strong connection to church families in Moldova, a post-Communist country that is among the poorest in Europe. Now it happens that a number of our students who are an excellent source of protein, are among the most digestively efficient animals you will ever encounter, which makes them optimal for low-cost farming. Dave and Abe thought that if fish could be introduced into a hydroponic cycle, high-efficiency, low-cost fish farming would make a great addition to Moldovan microeconomics, as well as providing a needed source of nutrition.

So they set about designing and building a prototype hydroponic environment, which as it turns out didn’t work, and the fish died. Fortunately for Moldova, two microloans for families to start a fish farming business are both $300 or less, Dave can coordinate with a Moldovan financing company to work out the details. I think this idea has a great deal to offer, though that’s just my opinion.
New ID card policy for your safety

BY AMAN DAHUGANKISS
THE RIGHT ONE

As the year comes to an end, the students of Northwestern College may be feeling a little too frisky for the quiet town of Orange City. Spring is in the air and the NW campus is simply getting out of control. People are running around shirtless, shoeless and senseless. The faculty and staff have deliberated in their usual conference room at the Sioux Center pool on their brightly colored fun-noodles and have come to the only logical conclusion.

Commencing Monday, April 28, 2008 it will be mandatory for all students, faculty and staff to carry their college issued identification cards everywhere on campus. Card scanners will be installed at the entrance of each campus building and will be referred to as the gateways of knowledge. Access will be denied without a valid ID card and an open mind. This measure is being taken in order to better secure and control the campus community. ID cards will be required to enter all residence halls excluding Heemstra. Following their motto of “nudity builds community,” clothing will be offered as an acceptable substitute for a scanned ID card.

Even after these precautions have been taken it may still be possible for outsiders of the NW community to penetrate campus buildings. As an added precaution, ID cards will also be required to enter all classrooms, restrooms and offices in all buildings. The cafeteria’s frightful epidemic of intruders was successfully remedied by demanding ID cards upon entry. Because of this program’s success it was unanimously decided to hold the same requirements for the entire campus. These precautions will help to build a healthy sense of Christianity community as we do our best to keep out the tax collectors and prostitutes, just as Christ would do.

The campus was in great danger when the cafeteria was unprotected. Now that it is impossible to get your PB&J bagel without your ID card, it may as well be impossible to get your whole education for your whole life if you accidentally misplace it. The faculty and staff feel that this will give the students an added responsibility which will help contribute to their faith and learning adventure.

As for those hooligans who forget their ID cards or take the safety of their Dutch-protected campus for granted, consequences will ensue. If your ID card becomes misplaced, lost, stolen, destroyed, broken, put through the washing machine, eaten or mutilated in any way it will not be accepted by the scanners. If for any reason you do not immediately report a lost card you will be given a scarlet letter and a pamphlet on irresponsibility and disobedience. To replace a lost card you will be charged $10 for a new card and an $8.25 irresponsibility fee. Failure to comply with the new ID card regulations will result in not only the applicable fines but also result in the loss of man-pi privileges, mini skirt and high heel combos for girls (and boys), all jeans will be required to be washed weekly, your Facebook will be deleted and your first born child will be confiscated.

I sincerely hope the campus community will lean on each other for protection and encourage one another to submit to the new regulations just as the church has submitted to Christ. These rules have been carefully outlined for the expansion of the NW bubble. While being prepared for the world outside wooden shoes and windmills, remember that these rules are being implemented to help you bloom like tulips and flourish in your own festival we call life.

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PASSION IN PASSING

BY DRAWN CLOD

A smile...I have been encountering an interesting phenomenon here at Northwestern. It is what one of my friends so endearingly referred to as “the passion pit.” What exactly is the passion pit? Well, until recently, I was unable to answer that question, but now with my knowledge, I feel as though I can enlighten you.

“Passion Pit” the lounge of a female dorm on the first hour and a half of closed dorm hours.

That fact that such a term was used to describe these areas interested me. Are these passion pits real? Are they safe? Can we venture in without a significant other? What actually goes on in a passion pit?

Perplexed by these questions, I decided to leave my humble abode in the music hall to do some investigatory research. Sunday evening as I was departing from a particular female dorm where I had just finished watching a series of movies, I entered the rumored passion pit.

It was an interesting experience at first. Some couples were lounging on a variety of furnishings others were saying good night one last time until they saw each other twelve hours later. I even encountered some of my closest friends amidst the carnage, which actually turned out to be far from carnage.

My experience was a brief, yet enlightening one. I have determined that these “passion pits” are a real phenomenon. As to their safety, I feel that I can deem the passion pit as a safe zone especially for a single man who is not bothered by the idea of awkwardness. Even with these questions answered, I was not able to reach a finite answer to as the events taking place in a “passion pit.”

That is why I am making a resounding call to the administration to follow on the heels of the incredibly successful Minding Place Symposium and adopt another day of discussion focusing on Minding Space. Through this deliberate and focused discussion, hopefully we will be able to truly decipher what happens in these passion pits and how men’s dorms could institute these “Meccas” for P.D.A. Elongated good-byes between couples, late night chats, and maybe even a rousing game of Skip-Bo on a good night constitute an evening in a passion pit, but how can our community truly know what happens in this space without a day to focus on it? Thus: a Minding Space Symposium. We appeal to you, the administration, to confront this dire need for understanding.
Day of Rest:
Sleeping in community

BY STYLEY DRESSERMAN
LOTTERY WINNER
In response to the excellent turnout at Northwestern’s Day of Learning in Community, NW administration has decided to integrate another themed day without class in the 2008-2009 curriculum. In keeping with the 24-hour theme, the event will be called the Day of Rest.

The Day of Rest is a day free of classes, and it will be asked that students do nothing other than sleep. Community members are also encouraged to support the college by taking a day off from work to stay home and stay in bed.

“We heard that students were calling the Day of Learning a Day Of Learning anyway,” said Heath Fineheart, professor of literary nonsense and chair of the special days department. “All we ever hear are students whining about how they don’t get enough sleep and they are too tired to do anything, so we decided to listen for a change.”

There will be no homework or tests assigned during the entire week so students are not tempted to do other work. Professors’ salaries will be penalized if they try to disobey this rule.

In order to help the day progress with success, sleeping pills will be available in all lobbies. Blackout curtains will be installed in each residential room. Also, lullaby music will be available for download on the Day of Rest Web site and will be played from Zwemer Hall for the entire 24-hour period.

Students who struggle to fall asleep may want to attend a lecture session with Rundard VanStendard. His philosophy of the existential football workshop is sure to send you quickly into dreamland. VanStendard is known for his soothing voice and boresome topics, and is anxious to contribute. “I don’t mind staying awake to lecture if it means students will find solace,” he remarked.

If lectures don’t do the trick students may choose to visit the library or bookstore and pick up recent faculty publications and recommendations for further learning. Choosing a book from another discipline is highly recommended.

In case of mid-day hunger, care packages will be set outside each room for easy access and less time taken away from sleeping. The care packages will include roasted turkey sandwiches, corn chips, graham crackers, a cooler with tofu frozen dessert and a thermos of warm milk. Each item has been carefully researched and is intended assist in lulling the students back into dreamland.

There will also be a contest for a $200 bookstore gift certificate. To be eligible, students must submit a dream they had during this day to the Day of Rest website. A committee will then choose the best dream to win the gift certificate.

A dream interpreter will also be brought on campus and the winner of the dream contest will have the chance to have their dream explained to them free of charge. For any other person wishing to have their dreams interpreted, the cost will be $1 per dream.

NW administration is looking forward to this new experiment in the curriculum, especially President Misty. The idea was mainly his. In a sense it is his dream for improving campus life. “We are hoping that students will take part in this Day of Rest. This is a truly biblical concept.

We wish for students to take the extra time off from homework to reflect on life and school prior to this day. Then we will take a day to rest.

“I’m hoping that a mandatory sleep period will put me in good favor with students and faculty alike” added Misty. “President Blue Smurfy never came up with an idea like this.”
Fern Smith Hall initiates Woman Week

BY USHANA LICKDEPU
ONE OF THE HOTTEPS

In honor of her 40th birthday, Fern Smith Hall and its residents decided they would no longer be outdone by the testosterone-driven festivities of West Hall's celebrated Man Week. This year, the women decided to commemorate their femininity by hosting the first ever Woman Week.

“It’s been a long time coming,” said Fern Smith Hall Resident Director, Lucy Hairdresser. “I mean honestly, women have so much more to celebrate.”

Sophomore Rainy K. Softersen echoed the sentiments of Fern’s fearless leader: “Man Week seems to consist of nothing more than running around naked and slaughtering pigs. All that ‘Hear me roar!’ stuff is cute, but pointless. Woman Week is designed to equip the women of Fern with the tools they need to become a wife and mother. In other words, we’re preparing for the real life after college, not chasing some ‘Lord of the Flies’ fantasy.”

The five-day extravaganza commenced Sunday evening at midnight with the official blacking out of the windows in the cafeteria. School officials were worried about closing the caf for an entire week, but luckily, negotiations with Sodexo allowed for a semi to deliver hot meals to each dorm.

“I know how you feel, you’re probably thinking ‘I’m not ready yet.’ This plan really works.” Lucy Hairdresser said.

The closing ceremonies—a grand tea party on the Fern Green—will be held this evening. Sundaes, sunhats, white gloves and lacey handkerchiefs are required for admittance. Rumor has it, though, that the evening will end in a much less lady-like fashion.

“Yes, the rumors are true. If West can have an epic battle, then the women of Fern can certainly undergo an epic cat fight. I can’t go into specifics, but rest assured that it will be unlike anything you’ve ever seen,” reported Hairdresser.

Following the tea party/epic cat fight, the women will head out to the Mrs. Loogeyhaucker farm for a salad eat-out and coffee.

“This entire week is based off of the new acronym we’ve created to explain what Fern is all about: Females Equipped and Ready for Nuptials,” concluded Hairdresser. “I think it’ll be a big hit.”

As a part of Woman Week, Lucy Hairdresser delivers a lecture on how to know “he’s the one.”

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No more “Red” Raiders; college goes green

BY GNARLI VANDERSQUIRLE
BACAO AD-WATH-ZER

Last week, after typing “Go Raiders!” at the end of his monthly letter to constituents, President Craig Misty sensed that something wasn’t quite right so he highlighted “Raider” and hit Shift-F7 to see if there were any favorable synonyms for naming his favorite teams. Instead he found only “thief,” “robber,” “burglar,” “attacker,” “invader” and “marauder.”

“None of those words are where we are planted.” After consulting with Professors Laurel Furline and Ted Tracker of the department of natural stuff, Misty concluded that the college’s teams should henceforth be called the “Northwestern Green Prairie Gentians.”

He explained that he chose the prairie gentian as the college and team symbol because it is a beautiful and delicate blossom native to the Midwestern prairies.

“A plus is that the gentian often grows in threes,” said Misty. “Not only suggesting the Trinity, but also forming a shape homologous to a cross.”

Misty also unveiled the revised Northwestern logo with a sprig of three gentians replacing the cross. He explained that in connection with the concept of “Raider,” the current sharply-pointed cross “looks like a weapon that could injure someone.”

Apraising the new logo, DeRain Beesong, college public relations director, said, “It shouldn’t hurt that, in profile, a gentian looks a little like a tulip.”

Beesong added that he realizes that “Northwestern Green Prairie Gentians” is a little long, but he expects the moniker to quickly get shortened to “the Gents.” He commented, “the long association of this word with a kindly and honorable masculinity provides us with a highly favorable nickname for men’s athletics, one completely in keeping with the ethos that President Misty hopes to inculcate.”

Shown the new name and logo as it would appear on a football helmet, Coach Orv Rotten had no comment. Well, actually he had one, but since it wasn’t entirely in keeping with the new kinder and gentler identity of the college, we thought we’d better punt rather than pass it along.

Women’s basketball coach Errol Wowster didn’t think his players would like being called “Gents.” “I suppose we’ll become the Jennies,” mused Wowster. The ever-strategic Wowster pondered a moment and then announced, “I’ll work some new spin moves into the offense. We could become famous as the ‘Spinning Jennies.’”

Board announces new themed mini-dorm

BY GWENDOLYN JANZERDA
STEGGZEN

While most of campus has been abuzz with talk about the merging of West and Heemstra Halls, the board has announced a new housing option that will be offered starting in the fall of 2012.

NWC plans to create a new “mini-dorm” that will be open to current full-time students named Sara/Sarah. Other variants of the name Sara(h) will be considered upon appeal and up to four spots will be reserved for non-Sara(h) residents wishing to obtain cross-cultural credit.

President Craig Misty explained the decision behind the addition, “NWC is adamant about fostering and conserving community. The name Sara(h) comprises 2.7 percent of the student body and we feel as though we need to acknowledge and uplift this unique group.”

Although this building project has just been announced recently, plans have been in place for the Sara(h) mini-dorm since the spring of 1995 due to the name’s perennial popularity.

Said one anonymous student, “Some days campus feels a bit like a bizarre verse of ‘Old McDonald.’ Here’s Sara, there’s Sarah, everywhere a Sara, Sarah.”

There has been some debate as to the location of the new dorm. The initial decision to place the dorm near the soccer fields was soon disbanded once the board realized where the soccer fields actually were. According to Don Bugleman, planning committee president, alternative locations being considered are above the music department or in the green adjacent to the West Hall sinkhole.

Although the administration and planning committee seem excited about this new dorm, many across campus remain unswayed.

“Well should the Sara(h)s get their own dorm?” said a student named Nicole who wished not to have her last name disclosed. “They think just because there’s 30 of them they deserve special treatment? There are at least two Nich(h)oles in my philosophy class.”

Other name groups, such as Emily and Matt, have expressed similar sentiments. There is talk of a formal complaint, headed by students Bethany Lowell and Bethany Lowell, to stop the creation of the mini-dorm.

Lowell said, “It may look like a good idea on paper, but seriously putting all those Sara(h)s in the same building would be extremely confusing.”

The blonde Bethany Lowell added, “We’re only doing this for their own good.”

Lowell and Lowell have also organized a protest that will take place sometime next week outside of Christ Chapel.

Student housing to commence showerless Saturdays

BY GNARLI VANDERSQUIRLE
BACAO AD-WATH-ZER

John Broken, student affairs dean, announced this week that the campus housing office is instituting what will become known as Showerless Saturdays.

Studies conducted by one of those psychology classes that are always conducting studies concluded that Saturday showers less often serve a hygienic than a therapeutic function. “What happens is that most students sleep so late that they only way they can wake up is a long hot shower, and then some of them fall asleep in the stalls and have to be rescued by roommates hours later, all pink and wrinkled.”

Eric the Red, resident life associate dean, commented, “Of course, the water wasted, along with the expenditure of energy to heat the water, is inestimable.”

So starting at 1 a.m. Saturdays and continuing until 6 a.m. Sundays, water to all showers in campus residences will be shut off. Broken mentioned a fringe benefit. “That should also induce students to comport themselves on Friday night in a manner that does not involve working up a sweat or hanging out in places that reek of liquor or aromatic pipe tobacco,” he said. “Otherwise when they get back to campus, they can be sure their sins will find them out.” Broken explained, “We’re helping people make sustainable choices here.”

Rumor has it that an ulterior motive for Showerless Saturdays is that students will get up early on Sundays so disgusted with themselves and each other that they will all quickly shower, and then stand around feeling so refreshed and renewed that they’ll decide they might as well go to church. Chaplain Harlo VanOrb only commented vaguely that he expects Showerless Saturdays to have “an overall positive impact on spiritual health.”

He has notified Orange City, Alton and Maurice churches that they will probably need extra orange drink, coffee and cookies on all remaining Sundays this semester.

THE END
Softball wins six straight

BY HEIDI HILDEBRANDT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Northwestern picked up six wins this week, sweeping doubleheaders against Nebraska Wesleyan, Dakota Wesleyan and Briar Cliff. The Red Raiders improve to 22-14, 12-6 in the GPAC conference.

NW 2, Nebraska Wesleyan 0

Freshman Lexi Determan pitched a shutout in game one, allowing just two singles, walking none and striking out 14. Determan hit an RBI double to score freshman Jenny Otto in the second and senior Amy Larson hit a solo home run in the fifth. Freshman Harris Harris had two doubles. Senior Lizz Swanson and freshmen Stacey Godfrey and Lara Vonnahmen each had one hit.

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Determan pitched another shutout in game two of the contest. She threw 11 strikeouts, walked just four batters, and allowed three singles. Senior Michelle Van Duyn hit a two-run single in the second and senior Amy Larson hit a solo home run in the fifth. Freshman Van Duyn, Harris, and Godfrey and Determan each had one hit.

NW 9, Dakota Wesleyan 0

Senior Gabrielle Burrola threw a shutout in game two as the Raiders won in five innings. She struck out two and did not give up any walks. NW scored three runs in the first, three in the third, two in the fourth and one in the fifth to record the win. The Raiders had nine hits, led by Swanson, who was 2-4 with one home run and Harris, who went 2-3.

NW 5, Briar Cliff 0

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