Spreading the water all around:
Saturday concert will support students’ well-making company in Africa

BY RENEE NYHOF
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The average American uses water every day for drinking, cooking, bathing, watering lawns or washing cars or clothes. Imagine if only five gallons of water were available each day to do those tasks and that water was shared with the entire household.

Many African homes remain in that situation according to www.aqua-africa.net. People in those homes spend most of their days searching for at least five gallons of water that is not tainted or diseased.

This may be an international problem, but the entire community is invited to share in the solution by attending a concert on Saturday, Sept. 15 in Orange City’s City Hall at 7:30 p.m.

This concert will feature rock and pop-rock tunes from Agnes (Omaha), The Benedict Affair (Alton), Of Alacrity in Sinking (Northwestern College) and One Time Too Many (Orange City). Admission is $3.

All proceeds will help raise funding for Aqua-Africa, a company established in 2006 by senior Jacob Khol and his friend, Buey J. Ruei, a former student of NW.

Ever since high school, Khol and Ruei always wanted to take action in an area where they saw a need for something to get done.

“We are Sudanese,” said Khol, “and we wanted to help the basic formation of life in a place which we see needs help. That is why we are determined to save lives and provide opportunities for Africa and her people. By drilling wells in sub-Saharan Africa, Aqua-Africa brings safe drinking water to communities with great need.”

But Khol and Ruei learned that creating a business needed more than just passion.

Hours were spent talking on the phone, researching and investigating United Nations web sites where most of Aqua-Africa obtained their information. In addition, Ruei spent time in Africa doing research to confirm the facts.

However, the biggest challenge according to Khol was to follow the correct steps to see their vision for Aqua-Africa become reality.

Yet, after figuring out the legal connections to set up the business and make it work both in the US and in Africa, Khol and Ruei now have an operational international business.

Aqua-Africa is currently incorporated as a Nebraska non-profit business.

“We have already brought fresh drinking water to Mairud, my home in the upper Nile state of Sudan,” said Khol. “We hope to spread throughout the rest of that country and then reach the entire sub-Saharan region in Africa. And yes, maybe one day we will spread through all of Africa.”

In the meantime, according to Khol, their financial struggle is the only thing holding the company back.

“Many people are quickly seeing our vision and are helping making it happen. We hope this concert will finally get us off the ground financially. Let it be known that anyone and everyone is welcome.”

For more information about Aqua-Africa’s goals, projects and contact information check out the company’s web site at www.aqua-africa.net. “It really comes down to time, whether you’re rich or poor, time affects everyone but with that time we are all given opportunities to make the poor or any man’s life easier and we should take a step towards it,” said Khol.

Aqua-Africa, Inc.
Providing Solutions - Creating Opportunities

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Presidential candidate promises his dedication to NW

BY CHANTELLE STEGGERDA
STAFF WRITER

Students enter the Proscenium Theater, pleasant chatter filling the silent space as bodies fill some open chairs. Ascattered audience, the group of predominantly upperclassmen quiet themselves for the guest of the evening: presidential candidate Greg Christy.

Christy was amiable and confident throughout Sunday night’s student forum, from the opening introduction to the end when he dropped his lapel mike.

The student forum was one of the meetings planned for Christy and his wife Michelle, who visited the campus September 9 to 11.

The two Iowa natives met while attending Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa. They currently live in Mitchell, SD, where Christy is vice president for institutional advancement at Dakota Wesleyan University (DWU). He has held this position for the past 12 years.

As Christy said, he never left college. After graduating with a Bachelor of Arts from Simpson College in 1989, Christy went on to earn his Master of Science at Western Illinois University (WIU) in 1992. Since then he has worked at WIU, Iowa State University, South Dakota State University, and DWU.

“It seems like it wasn’t that long ago; I guess we are getting older,” Christy said, speaking of his student days.

In reality the Christys are fairly young, raising a family with three children, ages 13, nine and six.

At the student forum Christy gave students the opportunity to voice concerns. Students asked questions about Christy’s plans for intentional relationships with the students, how he’ll handle controversial issues, how he felt he has been prepared for the position, how strongly he values community and more.

“I will certainly want to be involved on campus as much as possible,” said Christy, “but we’ll also have to balance that with our young family.”

In answer to some concerns, such as his vision for the college, Christy stated that he would have to wait until he had been able to get to know the college and its needs better before coming to decisions.

When the student questions ceased, Christy asked what they wanted in their next president.

Students mentioned someone who would give back to the community, attend fine arts, get involved in each area of student life, be aware of issues on a global scale and even be willing to be involved in Air Band and Ballyhoo.

Throughout the evening, Christy spoke positively on the value of NW’s education.

“Believe strongly in the Christian liberal arts program,” said Christy. “It would be a real privilege for me to come here and serve.”

Most recently the Christy family has attended a Baptist church, but Christy said they appreciate the Reformed way of thinking of the sovereignty of God over all in our lives.”

“The most important thing for us,” Christy added, “is that we know that God is calling us here.”

PHOTO BY CARL VANDERMEULEN
Shaking hands with Christy

BY KRISTI KORVER

I walk up the chapel aisle with friends, still humming the last song from P&W. At the door is a cluster of people. I walk up to them and see Jason Blaha giving our presidential candidate a hug. I smile and return to me. “I recognize you from the forum; what is your name?” I put out my hand and say, “Kristi.” He smiles, “Mine too.” We shake.

Greg Christy is godly and good, a leader and a team player, humble and honest, relational and missional. On Monday morning while munching on almond patties with ten other students, I asked Greg what God has been showing him recently. He told about an afternoon spent praying. He asked God to give him guidance—how to view him if he was the man Northwestern needed. When he opened his eyes there was a card sitting on the pew. On it was Isaiah 6:8: “Here am I, send me.”

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Steve thinks he's okay

BY STEVE MAHR

Greg Christy.

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Are any of these things really hold weight? What are we concerned with here? Am I completely missing it? I could be. However, if I'm not, and the man I heard speaking to students Sunday night was Greg Christy, then what I saw was genuine. I saw a genuinely humbled man excited to continue the good work began here and spur on new good works at Northwestern.

The presidential position is an opportunity for someone to step in and guide us in the way we use our gift. Our gift is having an academic and Christian institution that we can use to further spread the message of Christ's grace and love to the wider community. We all (myself included) have a serious problem with losing focus. There are things God's got going on that are wider than our scope, and sometimes someone will come along, who may not be the razzle dazzle Flash Gordon prez we were hoping for—but for that very reason he is perfect for the job.

So what do I see in Greg Christy? I see a man who, with help and advice from students, faculty, and staff, will be able to lead us into the future. Greg Christy will be able to lead us through the next phase of Northwestern's history and maintain the high standards we have set. Greg Christy will be able to lead us into the future. Greg Christy will be able to lead us through the next phase of Northwestern's history and maintain the high standards we have set.

Remember the Eleventh of September

BY MIKE VANDER STELT

September 11, 2001 is a day that will live in the hearts and minds of all Americans. It has shaped who we are as a society. It has become a marker in our history as we live in a post-9/11 world. That day thousands of Americans died at the hands of our enemies who wanted to see our way of life fail. Citizens from both sides of the political spectrum lost their lives and to use their memory to further any political cause is disrespectful to them and the ones they left behind.

Today, on the sixtieth anniversary of that terrible tragedy, Northwestern College should be asked about what transpired in chapel. A day that should have been devoted to remembering the loss of life and acts of heroism has been blackened by the politics of those in charge.

Professor Mike Yoder addressed the congregation and in his presentation he compared the United States to street gangs and the United States to street gangs and the United States to street gangs.

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A review of The Hub @ N-Dub...

Vandersnaaks at the airport

BY RACHEL RIESEMA
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What lies behind the glass doors upon entering the recently renovated RSC? A new hang out known as The Hub @ N-Dub where one can grab chicken fingers or enjoy a cup of coffee. Even if these options don’t sound appealing, many other options exist. One such item is the strawberry smoothie, which I purchased last week. As an unprofessional taste-tester, I concluded that its contents didn’t in fact glide down my throat. The smoothie seemed more like a sno-cone with ice and flavorings as I chomped on the pieces of ice. I rather enjoy sno-cones, but that wasn’t what I anticipated, as smoothies usually contain yogurt and milk. This purchase didn’t dig deeply into my flex cash, and I found it to be quite satisfactory. However, after two weeks I’ve bought four items totaling about $17, leaving me with few purchases left despite starting with $75.

After my purchase, I made my way up to the platform stage area where I planted myself in a chic-looking chair. This modern, red chair is one of six placed upon a beautiful wood floor. In fact, this polished surface was salvaged from the prior RSC, TV. Walk over to the counter between the well-spaced tables and ask for the remote. The subtitles make it easy to watch the program from across the room. For privacy, walk past the pop machine and find a spot that suits you. Each table in The Hub features the remote yet, which controls each

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BY AMANDA WRIGHT
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Next time you are in the caf wondering what’s for dinner, look beyond the hot lines and see what delicious meal you can create yourself. May all your cafeteria adventures be delicious and may your mind never cease to be creative while there. Bon appetit!

“Is that where the nurses live?”
- Senior Laura Jacobson, wondering what the nursing cottage is

“Who doesn’t like elephants?”
- Senior Danny Eschel

“Democrats.”
- Professor Mitch Kinsinger, during a discussion in religion in America class

“Are you ever going to want to know about the period of the 10 virgins, just read Hooker’s gigantic book.”
- again, during a discussion in religion in America class

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New way to learn

BY KRISTI KORVER

What does life look like after graduation from Northwestern? That is a question to lay awake at night and think about. For Bree Ann Brandhagen it looks like a summer full of weddings followed by another familiar road trip from Rapid City to Orange City.

Brandhagen is back at NW to learn, but not by taking notes and tests. Brandhagen graduated last spring with biology health and tests. Brandhagen hopes to be a college professor. Next year she plans to change to philosophy and attend graduate school and study molecular biology or genetics.

Life after graduation is joyful for Brandhagen. She is happy to live in a house with yellow walls, mix chemicals and see the school she loves from a new perspective.

A living ministry

BY KRISTI KORVER

Northwestern has seen more men in togas and more “manpris” this fall than ever before. All thank-you notes can be addressed to Seth Currier, the new resident coordinator of Courtyard Village and West Hall.

Currier’s home address is Coldwater, Mich., where his parents still reside along with two new exchange students. Currier graduated as a philosophy and religion major in 2006 from Spring Arbor University, a Christian college much like NW. After graduation Currier went backpacking through Europe for the summer. It was there that he fully embraced the manpri (capris for men). Shorts are not worn in Europe so Seth would roll up his jeans every day to bring some nice airflow to his calves.

World-wide librarian

BY KEVIN WALLACE

Bryan Van Gelder laughs and says, “There’s never a dull moment. It’s like a scavenger hunt; there’s sometimes a lot of leg work.” Van Gelder is describing his new job as the coordinator of interlibrary loan and the curriculum library.

His secondary job is probably the easier of the two. Van Gelder’s responsibility is to oversee the donations of old textbooks from local schools. These books are then added to the curriculum library, which is accessible to any education major.

Van Gelder’s primary concern is locating books and articles that the Ramaker Library does not have for students. His job is usually made easier by a worldwide system that connects libraries. However, there are times when a student doesn’t know much about the book or article that they’re looking for and Van Gelder is left to pick up the slack.

Fortunately, these are rare occurrences. All a student has to do is click on a link within the library website and fill out a form. This is sent to Van Gelder’s inbox. Within a week to ten days the student will receive a slip in his or her mailbox letting them know their book is available for pickup.

“I hope people are aware of this facet of the library. Van Gelder states. He continues in this vein saying, “Take advantage of as many opportunities that you can in college.”

Puebla to Orange City, missionary to mission director

BY KRISTI KORVER

After 17 years living as a missionary in Puebla, Mexico, the first place Tommy Moon wants to go when he comes back to the States is Taco Bell. “I love the plain crunchy tacos. I could probably eat 12 in one sitting.”

Moon and his wife Sue left Puebla on Monday, Sept. 3. The trip was arduous; they spent six hours at the border in customs.

After having everything in their truck inspected, the officer said to Moon, “We have to keep America safe from your returning missionaries.”

Moon can laugh about it now but as they waited he could only think of his father’s words: “When you’re going through hell, don’t slow down.” After a stop in Dallas they arrived in Orange City on Sunday, Sept. 9.

The Moons may be tired, but they are excited to be here. Moon is eager to mobilize students for missions, and he is well prepared to do so. During his stay in Mexico, Moon was involved in church planting, youth ministry and leadership development. In 1998 he became the dean of students at Puebla Bible Seminary.

Moon has been on the receiving side of many missionary teams, so he can now bring that perspective to NW as we send students out through our SOS and SSP programs. The maturity of NW students has really impressed Moon. He wants to build relationships here and see students enthused about cross-cultural ministry. He welcomes visitors to his office in the Center for Spiritual Formation and Vocation and relishes any opportunity to speak Spanish.

Alum comes home

BY KEVIN WALLACE

“I am so happy to be back at Northwestern; I love this place,” says the new director of campus safety and security, Perry Krosschell. Krosschell graduated from NW in 1987 with a degree in religion and then returned to work for the school after receiving his master’s. For three years he was the resident director of Colenbrander Hall. The last five of his eight years at NW he was working in the office of admissions.

Currently, Krosschell is responsible for making sure NW is in compliance with federal and state safety regulations. He also acts as a liaison between the college and the local law enforcement officials. Krosschell’s last job at NW is to oversee his staff of 25 workstudy students and make sure they complete their duties.

His position is actually a three-fourths time position so that he is still able to coach football at Unity Christian High School. Krosschell can usually be found in his RSC office and works from 8:30 to 2:30 – his door is always open when he’s in. He describes each visitor as a “blessing,” expressing the idea that every person is a brother or sister in Christ.

To keep the campus as safe as it is, Krosschell encourages, “Keep being a blessing to one another and watch out for one another – emphasis on the blessing.”
Donahue wins Toby Mac video contest with spontaneous “Boomin’” video

BY KILEY SELIGMAN

On May 31, Vaughn Donahue stumbled upon a site announcing a video contest for Toby Mac’s new CD, “Portable Sounds.” Donahue thought working on a video for the contest sounded like a good way to spend the boring summer months in Orange City. However, five minutes later, he saw the deadline: “All entries must be postmarked by June 4.” After an hour-long walk, Donahue decided to take the challenge of putting together a superior video in four days; he figured he had nothing to lose.

Donahue is a senior communications major with interests in film, graphic design and advertising. Throughout his years at Northwestern he has made various other videos, such as promos for RUSH and the identity theft commercials aired at NC/DC last year. He participated in the Toby Mac contest to see if he could put together a video in four days and if he could do it well enough to win.

The requirements of the contest were to take one of three choices of songs from Toby’s new album and make a video true to what the music is about. The video also had to be in Toby’s artistic style, usually rap and hip-hop with some urban rock thrown in. Donahue grew up loving DC Talk, the band Toby Mac started out in, so he was familiar with Toby’s style. He thinks this may have given him an edge over other contestants.

For two days, Donahue prepared by figuring out his concept and storyboarding each shot. He shot the video in eight hours and then edited it for the next thirty. On June 4, he delivered the video to the post office at 4:15—15 minutes before closing. Not even knowing if his video would make it on time, it came as a surprise that it made the top nine out of thousands of entries and was put online for public voting. After the online voting, the top four videos were reviewed by judges and Toby Mac. Later, Donahue received a call saying, “The moment we saw your video we knew it was the winner.”

His video was to the song “Boomin’,” about people coming together for one cause: their faith. Inspired by the words of the song, Donahue chose to portray a young guy (played by NW’s Scruff Eaddy) who walks around town getting a bunch of people together to start a party. After getting it started, he leaves to start another one. Donahue says that with only a 3.5 minute video, he didn’t want too complex of a story.

As the winner, Donahue received the chance of a lifetime. His video premiered at Creation Northwest in George, Wash., right before Toby’s show. He received a trip to the festival, as well as a backstage pass for the weekend. He ate with artists, hung out with bands and watched Toby’s show from backstage.

“I went there expecting nothing, but hoping for everything,” Donahue said when asked if he thought the win could help build his career. Backstage he met a lot of people and passed out a lot of his cards. He’s now waiting, hoping something good will come from it.

His favorite part about making the video was the spontaneity of the whole thing; it simply took over his life for four days. And then he experienced the thrill of a lifetime getting to see his creation play on the big screen in front of an incredible audience. “It was an amazing experience.”

Want to see the video for yourself? Watch “Boomin’” at home.nwciowa.edu/vdonahue.

International bridge

BY KEVIN WALLACE

When Dr. Kevin McMahan talks about the year that he and his wife spent in South Africa, his passion for working with people from other countries is apparent. It is probably this passion that brought McMahan to the staff at Northwestern as the new director of international and intercultural affairs.

McMahan says he “has the privilege of leading the office in two directions.” The first of these is recruiting and supporting international students and, as McMahan puts it, students of “ethnic minorities.”

The second is working with student groups, such as the I-Club, which promotes interactions between American students and international students. This group just went on a camping trip last weekend, which was open to all students.

McMahan’s theory is that students should “have respect for [international students] and show curiosity. Respect by trying to imagine what they’re going through.” When he goes on to talk about curiosity he says, “People are so afraid of not respecting [international students] that they stop themselves before they get to curiosity.” McMahan encourages questions and the building of relationships between Americans and international students.
Raiders grab exciting victory over DWU

BY BETHANY KROEZE
SPORTS EDITOR

The seventh-ranked Northwestern Red Raiders took on Dakota Wesleyan in their home opener, defeating the Tigers, 44-30. NW improves to 2-0 while DWU falls to 1-1.

The Tigers started the night with the ball and a 65-yard scoring drive, ending with a one-yard touchdown run.

The Raiders answered on the following drive, running three plays in 42 seconds and driving 58 yards. Senior receiver Tyler Riechle caught a 32-yard pass from senior quarterback Craig Hector for the score. Sophomore kicker Grant Mosier’s extra point was blocked, leaving the Raiders trailing 7-6.

DWU increased their lead just under four minutes later, with a one-yard touchdown run, culminating a 71-yard drive. Another good extra point extended the Tigers’ lead to eight.

Hector said, “I think for the most part we were staying pretty confident offensively because we knew we could move the ball pretty effectively on them.”

The Raiders’ turnaround came at 2:09 remaining in the first quarter, when junior Seth Moen caught a one-yard touchdown pass from Hector. Mosier’s kick was good, boosting the Raiders’ momentum and decreasing their deficit to one point.

About midway through the second quarter, the Raiders ended another scoring drive with a 40-yard field goal by Mosier, giving NW their first lead of the game, 16-14. Striking again with 2:17 left in the half, the offensive line provided a huge gap, allowing a 27-yard Hector run into the end zone for the score. Mosier’s kick gave the Raiders a 23-14 lead.

DWU kicked a 44-yard field goal as time ran out in the first half. Going into the locker room, the Raiders led, 23-17.

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Next in the scoring strike, junior Seth Moen catches a pass from senior quarterback Craig Hector against Dakota Wesleyan. Moen caught four passes for 72 yards and three touchdowns.

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The Raiders dominated the remainder of the game, shutting down the Tigers’ offense and adding another 13 points to the board with two Hector-to-Moen touchdowns. The first touchdown came with 3:10 remaining in the third quarter; then, just 16 seconds into the fourth quarter, Moen struck again on a 51-yard reception, completing an 80-yard drive in 1:29. The two touchdowns gave the Raiders a 14-point lead and the victory.

The Raiders defense added to the victory with eight sacks. Defensive ends senior Andrew Lundgren and junior Cody Van Sloten were credited with 3 and 2.5 sacks, respectively. Senior Kadrian Hardersen had a game-high 9.5 tackles while junior Nathan Jansen and senior Scott Stahl added seven apiece. Grabbing interceptions for the Raiders were Hardersen and freshman Jordan Halvorsen.

Tomorrow, the Raiders face GPAC rival USF in Sioux Falls. Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m.

“Yes, obviously Sioux Falls is going to be a very important game, not only because they are our rival, but they are ranked 1 and 1 and in our way to our goal of being conference and national champions,” said Hector.

Women’s golf team competes on the road

The women’s golf team had a demanding schedule last week. After placing at the Hastings College Invite in Hastings, Neb., on Friday, the team played at the GPAC meet in Lincoln, Neb., on Tuesday.

According to Head Coach Harold Hoftyzer, the six-member varsity team had their best round this year. The team scored 344 and came in second place at the meet. Senior Paige Kleinwolterink shot an 84 for a sixth-place finish, and junior Rachael Koenigsburg came in ninth, shooting an 85.

Hoftyzer reported that the team “led the tournament in par three scoring and was second place in par five scoring.”

Hoftyzer said that the Hastings meet showed what his team has been working on in practice.

All of their practice paid off when, again, Kleinwolterink won a medal at the GPAC meet in Lincoln, Neb. Even though she started the meet with a double bogey on each of her first two holes, her coach said that she was very proud of her “doing battle” with the course and ending up with the respectable score of 87. The team scored 365 points and placed fifth out of 11 teams at the GPAC meet.

Team captain Melissa Hisel said, “We battled hard in both meets. Some of us are injured and have other things going on. So, to go out, do battle, and come in scoring like we did was awesome.”

Not only did the team face tough competition, they met with challenging greens on a semi-windy day.

Despite the adverse conditions, the Raiders’ performance at the GPAC meet displayed their commitment and perseverance.

Hoftyzer explained that the neat thing about this year’s team is that they want to get better, work on their weak areas and have a goal to be very competitive by the end of the fall schedule.

But he said that the players look beyond the golf scores and see the big picture—being good students, showing respect to each other and their opponents, valuing laughter and working hard to have balanced, disciplined lives. “As a coach,” he says, “that is as exciting as any conference victory.”

The women next compete at Briar Cliff in Sioux City on Thursday, Sept. 20.
**SPORTS SHORTS**

**Volleyball takes down Bellevue, 3-0**

On Saturday, Sept. 8, the Northwestern women’s volleyball team took on #22 Bellevue University in the Bultman Center. The Raiders won the match 3-0, with individual game scores of 30-24, 30-18 and 30-26. The Raiders improved to 7-4 overall.

Leading the Raiders were freshmen hitters Bobbie Jean Rich and Hillary Hanno, with 12 and 11 kills, respectively. Sophomore middle hitter Randa Hulstein had seven blocks and four kills, while sophomore setter Rachel Gosselink put up 36 assists plus 12 digs.

This weekend, the Raiders travel to Hastings, Neb., to play in the Hastings Tournament. The Raiders will return home to face College of Saint Mary on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Bultman Center.

**Men golf at BVU, NWU**

Last Thursday, the men’s golf team traveled to Storm Lake, Iowa, to make their season debut in the Buena Vista Invitational. Finishing in sixth place, the Raiders shot a team score of 320, two shots behind Dakota Wesleyan.

Individually, sophomore Luke Vermeer led the team, tying for second place, with a one-over 73. Junior Justin Pannkuk tied for second place, with a one-over 73. Vermeer led the team, tying for fourth.

Next week Wednesday, the men will enjoy a week off before traveling to Mount Marty College of Saint Mary on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Bultman Center.

**Women’s soccer defeats NWU in GPAC opener**

BY BETHANY KROEZE

The Northwestern women’s soccer team won their first game of the year, defeating Nebraska Wesleyan 1-0 Wednesday night on Korver Field.

The Raiders were outshot 19-5 in their GPAC opener, but sophomore goalkeeper Kelly Salem was able to keep the Prairie Wolves out of the goal, grabbing seven saves and her first career shutout.

The Raiders grabbed their goal 30 minutes into the game. Senior Brittany Osborn capitalized when the Prairie Wolves’ keeper misplayed senior Macy Ruzeboom’s throw-in.

The Raiders’ defense played strong for the next 60 minutes, holding the Prairie Wolves and keeping them out of the goal.

The Raiders had three shots-on-goal and five shots while the Prairie Wolves had 19 shots and five shots-on-goal.

The Raiders will host Bellevue tomorrow night at 6 p.m. on Korver Field.

“Bellevue is pretty solid on the women’s side,” said Head Coach T.J. Buchholz. “The game will be tough, but it will get them ready for more GPAC play.”

Next week Wednesday, the Raiders will travel to Mount Marty in Yankton, S.D., for a men’s and women’s doubleheader.

**Men’s soccer falls in double-OT defensive battle**

BY BETHANY KROEZE

The Raiders hosted the Nebraska Wesleyan Prairie Wolves Wednesday night in a double-overtime heartbreaker.

Northwestern fell to 3-4 overall and 0-1 in the GPAC while the Prairie Wolves captured their second GPAC win of the season.

In a lengthy defensive battle, the Prairie Wolves outshot the Raiders 23-12. Freshman goalkeeper Ben Schneider recorded ten saves on the night.

The Red Raider defense, sophomore Tyler Sytsma and Bryant Wieking and senior Brian Springer, played hard for nearly 110 straight minutes.

“Our defense really rose to the occasion...A tie would have been well-deserved for both teams.”

- T.J. Buchholz

“Overall I was very pleased,” said Buchholz. “It was a great match; a tie would have been well-deserved for both teams.”

“I have a lot of faith in this team,” Buchholz continued.

The men will enjoy a week off before traveling to Mount Marty on Wednesday to take on the Lancers in a men’s and women’s doubleheader.
Student brings harp melodies to campus

BY JANICE SWIER
STAFF WRITER

Senior Aynsley Mihm will perform a student harp recital in Christ Chapel on Saturday, Sept. 16 at 3 p.m.

As a music major graduating in December, Mihm’s recital will demonstrate her accomplishments and skills as a musician. The concert will be approximately half an hour in length and will begin with a piece that she arranged herself called “Stuil A Run,” a traditional Irish ballad.

“Performing my own arrangements and compositions allows me to connect with my audience in an even greater way than if I play a piece by someone else,” said Mihm.

The show will also entail a collection of eight short pieces entitled “Epices” (French for spices) and will conclude with the harp and cello duet “Moonbeams.” Catherine McIntire, a cello instructor at the Forerunner Music Academy in Kansas City, Mo. will be accompanying Mihm in the duet.

Mihm’s hope for the concert is that her audience will be able to feel the music that they are hearing.

“I hope to take my audience to a different place. I hope that they might experience the different flavors of the spices, the lonely lament of a traditional Irish ballad and the sappy sweetness of a lush cello and harp duet,” said Mihm.

Though she has been preparing for this all summer, Mihm still has a few concerns; many of her pieces are difficult because they include several new and innovative techniques that transform the music into something truly unique for the harp world.

She hopes that through her practice she can bring every measure out so that the audience can appreciate each one.

Mihm’s desire is that each of her audience members will be able to “leave themselves behind and just be caught up in the welling up of feeling that music can produce.”