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## New chairman finds dept. unique

by Sue Wright  
Features Editor

Dr. Addison Reed, does not know what all the fuss is about. He is the one who is thankful for his new position.

But, it's the Music Department that's thanking Reed.

"Everyone should remember you can't have a department with just one person," Reed said. "I want the fuss to be over everyone, not just 'Reed.'"

Dr. Reed is the new Music Department Chairman. Reed said he was attracted to Northern, because of our expanding music department.

"I felt a need to move myself past a certain area, so I could develop my ideas in a developing music department," Reed said.

Reed also added that something we take for granted here at Northern, the active faculty, caught his eye. At other universities, instructors and other staff members do their instructed duties and that may be it. Our faculty members do a lot of outside work that contributes to the welfare of their discipline.

"I find it more invigorating for me, to work with faculty members who care

about students and are active in their own discipline," Reed said.

Reed said that the Inaugural Concert, held last Thursday, Sept. 3, to celebrate the Fine Arts splitting into three separate divisions, proved this.

"I found it very unique," Reed said, "that a department will plan a concert to introduce a music department. It's very interesting."

Reed was the former chair for the Department of Music and the Division of Humanities, at St. Augustine's College in Raleigh, North Carolina. He worked there for approximately 15 years, until he heard about the position opening at Northern last year.

Reed, a native of Stubenville, Ohio received his B.S. and M.A. from Kent State University, majoring in voice and music education. He received his Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, in 1973, majoring in musicology.

Reed then described the experience that he feels gave him the most background about "finding out where students are coming from." He taught in the middle schools and high schools.

"It is a good idea to teach on a high



Addison Reed

school level first, so you can get a lot of background on students," Reed said. "Then you can be more professional on the college level."

Reed attributed his landing the new job as Music Department Chairman, to all of the experience he had teaching and administering. But besides experience,

Reed admitted that talent was helpful too. He said he will teach some voice lessons but it probably won't be as much as he would like.

"I used to be able to just sit down at the piano and sing or play and play. It was very enjoyable. Now I don't get as much time to do that any more," Reed said.

Reed's musical talent began when he was 5-years-old. He started playing the piano. He admitted that he quit playing for a while when growing up, because many people thought it was "sissy" so he started playing football. He then went back and picked up a lot of vocal work.

"Before I was fourteen, I used to be the highest soprano," he said. He now is bass and baritone.

In addition to the work achieved, Reed has performed solo recitals, oratoria and opera roles in five states. He was named Outstanding Educator, in 1973 and 1975. He has earned a Fulbright-Hayes Fellowship and a Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship.

Concerning success, Reed said that he has a philosophy for keeping his thoughts in perspective.

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## Kuntzel, CSO find success Band plays to 5,000 plus outdoor crowd

Sue Wright  
Features Editor

An estimated 5000-plus people jammed onto the back lawn of the BEP center. They came equipped with blankets, lawnchairs, coolers and buckets of Kentucky Fried Chicken. Some even brought their kids, who didn't now what an orchestra was, but wanted to find out.

Once again, Erich Kunzel and the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra provided an excellent evening of entertainment at Northern, Saturday night, Sept. 5. The concert, which is one of the nine free performances in the 1987 Concert in the Park Series, is one of NKU's biggest crowd-drawing events.

"I think it draws the crowds because of the cultural and geographical backgrounds, combined together," Public Relations Manager for the CSO, Randall Katz said. "There is nothing like being able to take the family outside, spread a

blanket, open a bottle of wine and hear some great music."

Katz said that having one of the nine concerts at NKU was very important to the CSO. Because of NKU's location, people from all over the Greater Cincinnati Area could attend the concert and because of our lawn size, people could come knowing they would find a space to sit.

The Concert in the Park Series is sponsored by the First National Bank of Cincinnati and Scripps Howard. Katz said that each concert draws an average of 500-1400 people, depending on the location of the concert. He said that many of the same people come to enjoy the concerts.

"I can actually point out the people who come to every single concert," Katz said. "They really enjoy it."

Katz was right about many people enjoying the concert. Young and old. Couples. Groups of friends and many families filled the lawn.

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Herman Peoples, soph., takes refuge under his umbrella last Wednesday on the plaza at the Ice Cream Social. See story, page 12. (Eric Krosnes/The Northerner)

# Change in ownership brings new look to cafe

by Todd Davis  
Northerner Contributor

The Seiller's Corporation, a branch of the world's fifth largest conglomerate, Sodexho, has replaced the previous food management service, ARA, responsible for providing meals at NKU.

"Seiller's has a five year contract with NKU, and the last three years of the contract is stipulated on a year-to-year basis," Bryan Burkholder, director of food services, said.

"We took suggestions from employees," Burkholder said, "and have tried to implement these suggestions into the new food program, and will also try to provide the types of foods that the people of NKU want."

Sharon McElwee, assistant director of food services, said Seiller's has a more intense food program which offers a variety of foods.

"Seiller's came to NKU and has tried to maintain the original workers in the cafeteria," McElwee said.

The people in the cafeteria work hard, are patient, and have accepted the changes smoothly with the new food service.

"I like working for Seiller's because the food is better in quality and the

benefits are much better," Flo Claire, previous worker for ARA, said.

One of the changes with the new food

service is pizza being offered five days a week. "Pizza is served every day from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and it's our own recipe which has an Italian flavor," Carl

Whitlatch, utility worker said.

"I have worked for many food services, and Seiller's is the best one I have ever been associated with," Victoria Reed, kitchen cook, said.

"ARA's management wasn't as good as Seiller's, and since Seiller's food selection has so much variety, work is more in-

teresting and you can learn more."

"Besides striving to offer the best food possible, we would like to give the cafeteria a name so people will recognize the cafeteria more readily," Burkholder said.

"We're going to have the name 'Market Cafe' out in the lobby in front of the cafeteria, and also, probably have a contest that will have people at the university submitting names for the cafeteria," he added.

Burkholder also said that, over the Christmas break, there would be remodeling done in the cafeteria, which would give it a more uniform appearance.

"In the future we would like to have a meal plan for people eating at the cafeteria that allowed them to pay for food on a deposit basis. This would eliminate the exchange of cash and make the lines at cash registers go faster," Burkholder said.

McElwee said that a catering service is offered that can handle breakfast, lunch, and dinner engagements.

"We need feedback and are open to suggestions from anyone eating at the cafeteria," McElwee said.

Anyone wanting to comment or make a suggestion concerning the new food service can do so by contacting John Dietz, Secretary of External Affairs, Student Government, room 206 in the University Center.



**LETS EAT:** Wilson Bryce, Jr., orders his lunch from Dolores Carr, a food server for Seiler Food Service. Seiler recently landed a five-year contract with NKU to provide food service management. (Eric Kroes/*The Northerner*)

# More changes in administration, faculty

by Jean Bach  
Staff writer

Albert Burton, the new coordinator of minority students at NKU, said his major goal this year at NKU is to start a black sorority and fraternity on campus.

"Black males on college campuses are declining, and I feel a fraternity would be a positive influence on them at NKU," Burton said.

NKU has one of the lowest percentages of black students per capita of any university in Kentucky, and part of Burton's job is the recruitment of minorities to NKU.

Burton has taken steps in this area with several recruiting plans, one of which includes bringing seventh, eighth, and ninth-grade black children from Northern Kentucky, on campus for an entire orientation day.

By letting these children get a glimpse of higher education and given the opportunity to talk to black students, Burton said he hopes that the experience will inspire the children to think about their future and hopefully, he added, get them to think about NKU as the place to start that future.

Burton will be working with community groups, churches and school systems of Northern Kentucky in order to recruit to his fullest capabilities.

"I expect minority enrollment to go up," Burton said.

Burton noted that being hired as the first full-time coordinator for minority students shows that NKU is starting to make some efforts to help black students.

The previous coordinator, Neil Simpson, held the job in only a part-time capacity.

"NKU is going in the right direction in the area of minority affairs," Burton said.

Aside from recruiting, Burton said his other priority in his new position is helping and becoming friends with the students on campus. He said he sees his role as Coordinator is helping the quality of life for black students get better.

"If someone trusts me as a friend," Burton said, "it is much easier for me to help them."

Burton, a graduate of the University of Louisville, was a residence hall director at U of L for five years before coming to NKU. He also provided leadership to the Minority Programming Committee and helped with student affairs in Louisville.

Burton said the experience he had on previous jobs makes him more comfortable to assist students with any type of problem they bring to him.

Burton's wife, Beverly, also works on campus in the Financial Aid Office.

In addition to counseling students and recruiting, Burton will act as advisor to the Black United Students and the Black Women's Organization.

by Debbie Bertsch  
Staff writer

Esther Plaza is the new full-time Spanish lecturer, said Dr. Paul Reichardt, chairman of the department of Literature and Language.

Plaza was hired to replace Dr. Luanne Buchanan, who left to teach at the University of Mississippi, added Reichardt.

"This year we'll run a search for a tenure position," Reichardt explained. "(Plaza's) filling the position for one year."

According to Reichardt, Plaza comes at a time when more students than ever are studying languages. He said that this year marks a 13 percent increase in foreign language enrollment over last year, with 160 students now taking Spanish.

Plaza attributes increased enrollment to a greater awareness among students that English is not the only language in the world.

"Americans didn't realize before that it is very important and very useful to learn another language," she added.

Plaza is teaching three elementary Spanish classes and one called "Hispanic Culture through Literature."

Plaza believes that learning about Spanish societal and cultural differences are very important.

"Learning makes you realize why you think the way you think," Plaza explained.

"For me, teaching Spanish culture makes me realize things about my own culture and my own language."

"I'm trying to create a real environment," Plaza said, explaining her teaching objectives. In the classroom, she speaks only Spanish.

Plaza, a native of Viscaya, Spain, said she came to America in 1984 after receiving a scholarship to the University of Cincinnati. She graduated from UC in June, 1986, with a Master's Degree in Education. She then spent two years at UC as a teacher's assistant and one semester at Xavier University as a lecturer.

"I thought the real American would be in the Midwest," she added, explaining why she chose to live in Cincinnati.

In Spain, Plaza said she studied journalism and worked for a regional newspaper. While working there last summer, Plaza wrote an investigative story distributed to many newspapers through a Spanish wire service. The report was about Italian victims of radiation poisoning caused by the 1986 Chernobyl plant disaster.

Plaza said that she likes her new job and other changes in her life. Plaza married a Cincinnati man in August and said that for her "everything is new—a new country, a new husband, a new job."

# Days of prairie dogs and Pocohantas

by Mary Lathem  
Staff writer

Resident Director, Greg Valentine, and his staff assistants are tentatively planning several interesting and adventuresome get-togethers for residence halls students.

At the top of the list is an exciting Trick-or-Treat festival to be held on the evening of Oct. 29. Residents of the NKU halls will enjoy several hours of open visitation, in which each resident may disguise himself or herself in a traditional or imaginatively created costume, and travel door-to-door in the hopes of finding tricks or treats.

Also, on the tentative agenda, is a large-scale, daring Scavenger Hunt. A list of objects will be assigned to the participants of this game, and they are to scavenge about the residence halls in search of the items. The first resident to discover all the objects will be determined the winner and an expert sleuth.

For those residents who look like something out of the wild country early in the morning as you stumble toward the showers, the residence halls' fun-filled Canoe Trip is perfect for you. Relive the good old days of prairie dogs and Pocohantas, as you row a canoe across the murky waters of a nearby swamp. After weeks

on the trail out West, 'in the good old days,' it was quite acceptable for the settlers' hair to be crumpled, their faces ghostly pale and their eyes blotchy like many residents look early in the morning, especially Friday morning, just before they hit the showers.

But, if you just can't get into your American indian ancestry and row that canoe, or you're just plain scared of the water, then don't get you feet wet. Just get them trotting down to the intramural fields for a little flag football practice.

Flag football is a must for anyone who enjoys inflicting pain and agony on others.

Seriously, flag football is going to be awesome this year, and the more residents who get involved, the greater success it will be.

Already this semester, the residents of the NKU Residence Halls have proven, consistently, that they are interested in the programming and activities planned and provided for them.

Due to the great attendance on VCR movie night, the residence halls' staff has decided to bring back the Thursday night movie. Each week, a movie will be shown on Thursday evening in the East and West Commons' lobby, on a rotating basis. So, all of you brilliant residents who finish your homework by 9 p.m. or so, and would like to enjoy a very cheap night of

entertainment, come one down and catch one of your favorite flicks.

Finally, the attendance at the Residence Hall's Luau, sponsored by APB, was really tremendous, and congratulations to ARA staff member Susan Tungate who placed First in the Hawaiian Luau Hoola-Hoop contest.

Likewise, the attendance at the Residence Halls' picnic was marvelous. President Leon Boothe was the honorable chef at the picnic as he slaved over a scorching hot barbecue grill to prepare the picnic's main courses of hamburgers and hotdogs.

Seiller's Food Service, the new food

service on campus, provided all of the food and drinks at the picnic, which was sponsored by the Residence Halls through the Residential Life Fund. Residents at the picnic, clad in everything from shorts, blouses, jeans, sweaters, mini-skirts, sweatsuits and the like, enjoyed fountain soft drinks, hamburgers, hotdogs, pretzels, potato chips, and more in the afternoon sunshine. It is safe to say that, from the residents—smiling faces and warm, friendly laughter, the annual Residence Halls' picnic will be something for them to look forward to each fall, and that Residence Hall's programming is incredible this year.

## Lanter, Hon receive book grant

by Trina Ellis  
Staff writer

Pamela Ann Lanter and Linda K. Hon, are the 1987 recipients of the Student Government Book Grant, as was announced by Student Government president John Sebree in a recent SG meeting.

Lanter of Williamstown, Ky., is a junior literature major. She maintains a 3.75 grade point average and is an active community volunteer. Lanter served one summer as a page in Washington D.C.

Hon of Glencoe, Ky., is a sophomore social studies major. Her interest includes politics and history and she maintains a 3.08 grade point average.

The Student Government grant is made available through the profits received from the sale of class rings each year. Both Hon and Lanter will receive \$540 to apply toward their continuing education at NKU.

Sebree said that the SG scholarship is awarded to one student each year, but profits from the class ring sales were substantial enough to award two grants this year.

Sebree also said that the 1987 Student Book Exchange, held the first week of classes in the University Center Ballroom, was a 'great success.' The non-profit book exchange allows students to buy and sell used textbooks to other students at reduced rates. Sebree added that plans for next year's exchange are already in progress.

John Deitz, secretary of external affairs for SG, announced during the meeting that the United Way Steering Committee was searching for student volunteers to assist during United Way Week, October 12-16. Deitz added that SG would be sponsoring the Hoxworth Bood Drive. The Hoxworth Center will be on campus Thursday September 17, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the U.C. Ballroom.

## GPA standard holds back seniors

by Troy May  
Staff writer

Several senior Business majors are being denied a diploma for not meeting the GPA requirements, according to Tim Serey, Associate Dean for the College of Business at NKU.

Business students 'must' achieve a 2.4 grade point average in order to graduate, Serey said.

This lack of knowledge, has created a problem for the student and the faculty.

The business program is faced with

greater demands from student enrollment each year, according to Serey. This puts a tough strain on the system itself. In result, the college must be selective in order to keep the system firm.

"The lack of awareness is not entirely the students' fault," said Serey.

"Much has to do with mis-advising on the part of the university. Students are not aware that the catalog is their bible."

Serey says that most schools have admission and graduation requirements on top of general qualifications.

Because Northern is an open enrollment university, the school has been more lenient on a GPA in the past.

"Other schools in the area require much higher GPA standards," Serey said.

Even with a 2.39 GPA the college will not accept graduation.

"If a student falls below this requirement they must contact their department heads immediately," Serey said, "because their graduation from NKU is in great jeopardy." For some seniors, help may be mathematically impossible.

There are two main ways to avoid this situation. Obviously, the first is to keep your GPA above 2.4 at all times. Second, keep good communication with your advisor and department head.

## Men wanted

Northerner staff report

The word "cheerleader" does not only apply to girls at NKU.

Apparently, not many guys have read the signs around campus advertising cheerleading tryouts for women and men.

Because of graduation and other reasons, the cheerleaders only have three guys left on the squad. Members of the team said that certain guys may not have tried out this year, because they think they need some special skills or experience, but they don't. The team wants as many guy cheerleaders as possible and if interested, they will work with you. Just drop by at the gymnastic room, of the Albright Center Thursday night at 7:00.

## Program trains single parents

by Karen Landwehr  
Staff writer

The primary function of the Homemaker Re-Entry Program, said director Karen Mallott, is to provide training and education to single parents (male and female) on the way to entering or re-entering the job market.

"The program has been at NKU since 1980, and in the beginning served just displaced homemakers," said Mallott. It now also includes single mothers, divorced, separated or widowed, married homemakers who need to get back in the job market and male single parents, she said. The male single parents must have custody of minor children, but the women

do not.

Mallott said in 1978, legislation was passed in Frankfort recognizing displaced homemakers. The legislation opened doors to many universities interested in developing this type of program.

Word processing, beginning and advanced typing, bookkeeping and switchboard operating are just some of the classes the program offers, said Mallott. "We have our own faculty and instructors that train in these areas," she said.

Mallott also said they have scholarships to provide for a number of students to attend two year programs at NKU. They also offer career, personal counseling, and career testing.

"We do provide help with job placement for anyone who comes through the program," said Mallott.

"We get job referrals, teach them how to write a resume and how to apply appropriately for a job and also interviewing skills."

The program is funded primarily by the Job Training Partnership Act, said Mallott and receives additional funds from the Kentucky Bureau for Vocational Education. The program is externally funded, she added, and there are no student fees.

Anyone needing more information or schedule of classes offered should call 572-6361.

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## Editorial

### Computer literacy Practical experience isn't enough

When one thinks of computers, he can picture a large bomb on the Mackintosh, or an 'Arg?' on the compugraphic. In other words, he has a bit of a problem with them.

Most newspapers today require that their journalists use a video display terminals to compose their stories. Why then are computer courses not required to receive a degree in journalism at NKU?

True, the journalism department has three Mackintosh computers in LA 109. The problem is that there are 16-19 students in a class and only three have access to them. Usually, the same three students experienced with the Mackintosh use the computers all the time.

Some professors in the department see the need, but it is still not required. Usually, two days [out of 16 weeks] the newswriting classes are taught to use the Mackintosh. Anyone experienced with the Mackintosh would agree that with 16-19 students, and only three computers, students are not properly trained.

If the student wants to practice outside of class, he can't use the computers in the department, but he may use them during designated hours at Student Services.

The art department allows their students access to the Mackintosh computers on the fourth floor of Fine Arts. Journalism students may not use them because the operating expenses come out of the art department's budget. Only students majoring in fine art, or presently taking an art course may use them.

The knowledge of computers in this day and age, would be equivalent to rubbing two sticks together a million years ago. It is felt that, by not requiring journalism students to learn basic computer skills, many are not ready to become professional journalists upon graduation.

Really, every college student should be required to learn basic computer skills. Speech 101 (Intimidation 101) is still being required. Speaking skills are important in the business world, but tele-communications are the way of the future.

Computers are changing everyday. One needs to acquire basic skills now. Once basic computer knowledge is acquired, the benefits will be obvious. An example is how easy it is to keep papers and important documents on file.

America's industrial society is being replaced with an information society. College students should be prepared to enter into an information society through computer knowledge. By requiring students to learn computers, all college students will be ready to enter into modern society.

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**JUST REMEMBER...AT NORTHERN,  
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### Literary Competency waning Report shows serious problem among students

Attention class.

Time for the first test of the semester. Now, the following questions are to be answered, in pen, on a clean sheet of notebook paper. No rough edges. That goes for you too, Mr. Simon. Right, are we all ready? Ok, 1. When did Columbus discover America?—a. 1450-1550, b. 1550-1650, c. 1650-1750, d. 1750-1850. 2. When was the U.S. Constitution written?—a. before 1750, b. 1750-1800, c. 1800-1850, d. after 1850. 3. When was World War I?—a. before 1850, b. 1850-1900, c. 1900-1950, d. after 1950. 4. Who wrote *The Canterbury Tales*?—a. Geoffrey Chaucer, b. William Shakespeare, c. Leo Tolstoy, d. Mark Twain. 4. Which American poet wrote *Leaves of grass*?—a. Walt Whitman, b. Robert Frost, c. Emily Dickinson, d. Carl Sandburg.

### Kris Kinkade

What? you say these questions are too easy, that kids in junior high school could answer them just as well? Well then, explain to me why, out of the 8,000 high school students who answered these questions and others like them, 64 percent had a little trouble figuring out that Geoffrey Chaucer wrote *The Canterbury Tales* and one out of three thought Columbus discovered America after 1750.

These and other sobering facts were released last week in a study done by the National Endowment for the Humanities on high school students in the spring of 1986.

Other facts worth noting—68 percent didn't know when the Civil War took place, 60 percent didn't know Walt Whitman wrote *Leaves of grass*.

In my opinion, these results can only mean a pretty pathetic outlook for the future. It looks like Johnny—that infamous little schoolboy—is failing in about everything.

Back in the seventies, it was writing and reading. A little later F's started showing up in math and science. Recently it was geography, when poor Johnny couldn't identify Africa on a map and mixed up the U.S. and Brazil on that same map. Now it's literature and history. What the heck has happened to today's youth?

According to a report in the Sept. 7 issue of *Newsweek* the main culprits are poor textbooks, inadequately educated teachers and un-imaginative curricula. Combined, the three add up to some pretty scary news—That Western Civilization is endangered because students don't know what is.

It used to be that elementary-level textbooks were filled with the writings of Shakespeare, Dickens and Longfellow. Classic literature made up the major percentage of the English curriculum. Now that percentage has fallen to about 10 percent and educators are looking for books that satisfy formulas about how many new words on long sentences a child can absorb.

For example, the author of the NEH report found a story called "The Shoemaker and the Elves" that had deleted all references to elves, shoes and shoemakers to make it more 'readable.' No wonder kids don't know when the Civil War took place, their textbook probably edited it out for readability!

Then, of course, there's the parents who don't want their children reading works like *The Wizard of Oz*, *Alice in Wonderland*, *The Grapes of Wrath*, *To Kill*

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a *Mockingbird*, (the list goes on and on) for religious, ethic, and moral reasons while they stay up nights watching *Dallas* and the other mindless garbage in TV land like they were listening to a church sermon. Does hypocrisy mean anything to you people? (you know who you are!)

Besides the weak subject matter offered students, there are the teachers who in more than a few cases are ill-equipped to handle the responsibilities placed in their laps.

For example, elementary education majors typically spend at least 40 percent of their college class time in education courses and not nearly enough time in other general knowledge courses that will be more useful in the classroom.

But steps have been taken to correct the problem of poorly trained educators. Take Georgia, for instance, in an effort to reform their system, the state education office issued competency tests to all the teachers. At last count well over 300 teachers will lose their jobs. During the first round 13 percent of the 20,000 teachers in Georgia failed. No wonder

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"You get a lot further when you are praised by others, rather than tooting your own horn all of the time. People in control should be level-headed. Even with success, you should still stay in your place," Reed said.

Reed attributed this belief to something that is not materialistic, but very sentimental and everlasting—memories.

Reed said that he was performing a solo in his church his senior year. The solo went over as a total success. A girl, who was a good friend at the time, leaned over and stated, "Addison, if you ever get a big head, I'm going to tell you about it."

"Everytime I think I'm getting smart and ahead of myself, I can actually go back to that scene in my mind. It's so vivid. I can still remember it," Reed said.

Reed said that he wants the public to be more informed of what the Music Department has to offer. He wants to make everyone "more visible."

"The NKU Music Department is the best kept secret in this town," Reed said. With Reed as the new chairman, the secret won't be kept much longer.

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Really, we  
aren't that bad.

Johnny can't read, his teacher can't either!

I know, you can't really do a whole lot to change what's going on but the feeling of helplessness was starting to get to me and I just had to vent it out. Seriously, if the results of the NEH study are even

remotely close to what's going on in the U.S. education system this country is in deep ----.

To lose our history, our literature, math, science, and the like would be such a terrible waste and to bury our heads in the sand about it doesn't alleviate it. Oh,

we could rationalize that it's not as bad as it seems, but it soon will be if something isn't done.

*Kris Kinkade is a junior Journalism Major and former Associate Editor of The Northerner.*

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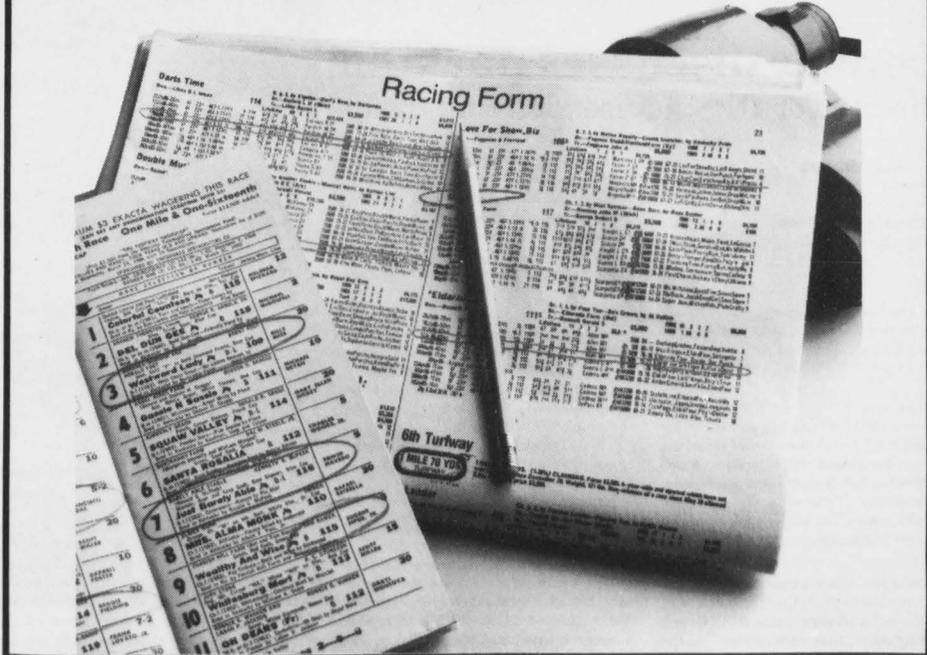
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## Communications hires head

by **Jodi Sheppard**  
Staff writer

Dr. Michael L. Turney took over his new position as chairperson for the NKU Communications Department on August 3.

Turney, a graduate of St. Procopius College in Lisle, Ill., has a B.A. in Political Science, an M.A. in Journalism and a Ph.D. in Mass Communications from the University of Iowa.

At one time, Turney taught Journalism at NKU, but was offered a job at Clarke College in Dubuque, Iowa, as an associate professor and chair of the Communications Department.

At Clarke, Turney developed a Corporate Communications major honored by the International Association of Business Communicators board as a model program.

After working as chair at Clarke College, he moved on to state government as Director of Communications for the Iowa Department of Human Services in Des Moines. He was responsible for media relations, public information and agency communication for the agency.

which, included the welfare department, social services, mental health services, veteran program and prisons.

While guest lecturing at several events, he found that he missed teaching and decided to get back into academia. NKU offered him that opportunity.

Turney has several plans for the Communications Department. He has organized an advisory board consisting of professional communicators from the Greater Cincinnati Area. The board is made up of 25 people from such companies as the "Kentucky Post," "The Enquirer," "Cincinnati Magazine," WCPO and several other prominent companies. The board members will tour communication facilities, meet with faculty and students, offer feedback about how to improve the Communications Department and recommend how to make students more employable.

Turney said the most important idea he would like to see implemented while chair is to see faculty and students maintaining close ties with professional communicators in the community. He said working together will benefit everyone and the advisory board is a start.

Turney, who has a long list of freelance



**Michael L. Turney**

credits, said he will encourage faculty to freelance in their fields and bring that experience to students. Most of Turney's experiences have been in the media areas of print, television, audio visual and public relations.

## Def Leppard adjusts well to adversity

by **Darrin Kerby**  
Staff writer

The career of the group Def Leppard was thought to be lost in an endless series of delays, setbacks and frustration.

In the last four years since the release of their last album, *Pyromania*, the group has experienced some rough times.

The band went through a few album producer changes. The drummer, Rick Allen, lost his left arm in a car wreck and lead singer Joe Elliott contracted the mumps.

Allen adjusted very well to his situation on the new album "Hysteria." He used a modified electronic Simmons drum kit, and compensated for his missing arm by using his left foot.

The *Hysteria* album is crammed with

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## Conner discusses parking Director of DPS advises leaving early

by **Susan Jefferies**  
Staff writer

Parking at NKU this semester has always been a frustrating problem for students, faculty, and others.

"The main problem occurs on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings starting about 8:45 a.m.," according to John Conner, Director of Public Safety at NKU.

There is a total of 3,200 parking spaces; 2,600 for students, 500 for faculty and staff, and the remainder for guest, reserved and handicapped parking, according to Conner, but because there are approximately 10,000 students and 1,000 faculty and staff members, problems have become commonplace, he added.

"We are doing all we can to satisfy parking demands," Gene Scholes, vice president for administration at NKU said, adding that they are aware of the problem.

According to Scholes and Conner, future plans are being discussed including: parking decks, two parking garages, additional residence hall parking, and more student parking. The plans being discussed will depend on funding and will take about ten years in phases to complete.

Conner said that the DPS has shifted officers to help direct traffic in the morning. They have allowed students to double up in parking and to park on the grass area. They will allow this until the parking problem settles down.

"Only in extreme cases, such as blocking other cars, have tickets been issued," Conner said.

Conner suggested to students who know about the problem and want to help to go to class early. It would save time and ensure a parking space. Enter the university through a different entrance such as U.S. 27 and Nunn Drive. Carpool whenever possible. This saves gas, expenses and parking spaces.



**ON THE ALERT:** Department of Public Safety officer Bill DeWeese checks over a disabled vehicle on Nunn drive last Tuesday afternoon. (Eric Krosnes/The Northerner)

# Mellencamp brings meaning to rock

by Thomas A. Mullikin  
Staff writer

*The Lonesome Jubilee*, by John Mellencamp (a.k.a. John Cougar Mellencamp), is for people who want meaningful lyrics with their music.

Don't get me wrong. The music flat out rocks. You hear a solid sound from the first song to the last. It's a welcomed relief to the synthesized, hollow sound in most of today's music.

But Mellencamp's improving voice, the lyrics' depth, the band and back-up singers, combine to make this his best album. Also the use of instruments not usually heard on rock albums, fiddle, accordion and autoharp help set this record apart.

Earlier Mellencamp albums have had themes of despair, prejudice and skepticism of government. This is intensified on *The Lonesome Jubilee*. Eight of 10 songs contain these themes.

'Paper in Fire,' 'Down and Out in Paradise,' 'Check It Out,' 'The Real Life,' and 'Cherry Bomb' make up side one.

'Paper in Fire,' talks about lost dreams, false love and missed chances. The characters in the song never seem to take the extra step needed to make things better.

## Department schedules faculty exhibit

Northerner staff report

The newly organized Department of Art will open its art gallery schedule this year, with a variety of art faculty works and a regional photo exhibit.

The Main Gallery in the Fine Arts Center includes mixed media works, ceramic pieces and selected photographs by faculty members. The Third Floor Gallery will house an exhibit of Randy Ruth photos. The shows are open to the public through Wednesday, Sept. 30, 9 a.m.- 9 p.m. weekdays and 1-5 weekends.

There will be a reception to open both exhibits. It is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 11, 3-6 p.m. in the Main Gallery.

The works reflect a variety of media, such as Kukla's "Great Queen" series (acrylic on canvas), England's "Great Serpent" pieces (ceramic), Booher's "Two Figures" (mixed media) and Storm's "Resurrection" (oil, acrylic, canvas and wood).

Photographic artist Dan Patterson also has work on display.

More than two dozen black and white photos are on display in the special Third Floor Gallery exhibit.

In 'Down and Out in Paradise,' Mellencamp attacks a president. We hear of a politician holed up in Washington, D.C., separated from the people he leads.

The negative theme carries throughout the next two songs then disappears in 'Cherry Bomb.' The song is upbeat and tells of man remembering his younger days.

Mellencamp seems to use 'Cherry Bomb' as a breather because 'We the Peo-

ple,' the first song on side two, continues his account of the hard life.

'Empty Hands' and 'Hard Times for an Honest Man' follow and, in my opinion, these songs are the center of the album. Mellencamp's rebellion is taken to a higher level in the two songs. We hear of men and women who work hard, get shafted and are then forgotten.

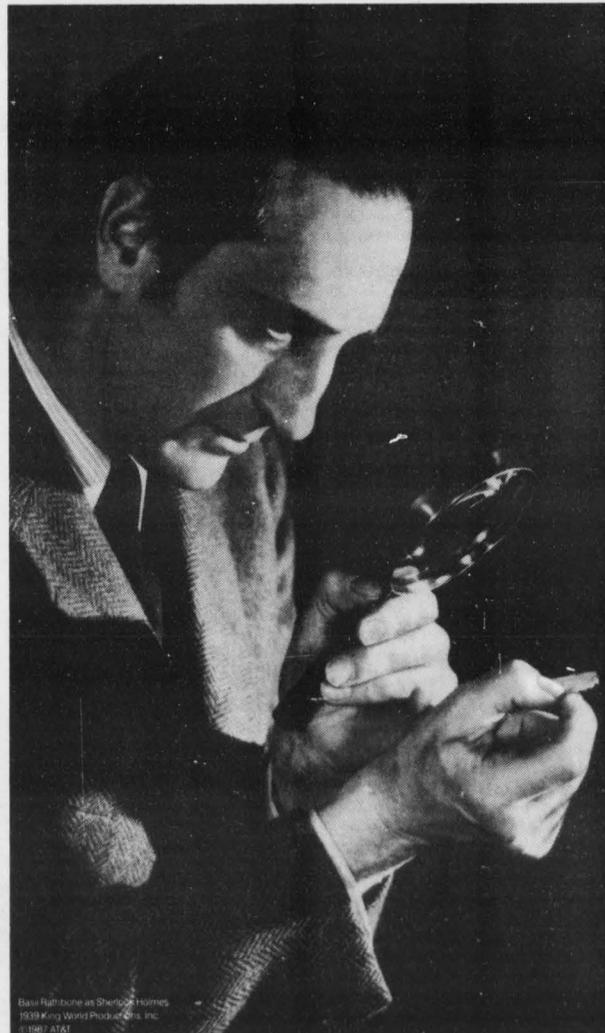
'Hotdogs and Hamburgers' reminds us

of our treatment of the Indians and their mistrust of us.

The side ends the same way as side one—with a lighter song. Characters in 'Rooty Toot Toot' are a young couple spending the day together.

I once read that the sound of rock music was the only important thing needed in a song, words didn't matter. If you believe this, skip this album. If not, add *The Lonesome Jubilee* to your collection.

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## Editor discusses lack of challenge

Will the NKU sports program ever be successful in attracting student interest?

The other day, while discussing possible topics for this column, a colleague suggested that I comment on why students rarely attend NKU home games.

### Sam Droganes

However, he also said that *The Northerner* did that every semester and it never seemed to affect anyone. So, in the interest of fairness, I would like to take the students' point of view in answering the above question.

Major league baseball and professional football fans always cry: "give us a winner and we'll come out and attend."

For example, the St. Louis Cardinals with one of baseball's best records this year have drawn well over 2 million fans.

But, Northern has winners too.

Most notably the women's basketball team came quite close to winning a national championship last season. Yet, their attendance, per game, wasn't much higher than the average temperature in December.

The men's soccer team had its best season ever last year (12-4-3). They finished 5-0-2 in the Great Lakes Valley Con-

ference only to be edged out of the conference tournament in a close game with Kentucky Wesleyan. Again student support could charitably be called minimal.

But why? Why, with nearly 8,000 students plus the thousands of faculty, staff, alumni, and interested others, do NKU sports teams have to perform before crowds that more often than not are so small that they could hold a reunion in a Photo-mat Booth?

This question may perplex some, but I can answer it, at least to some degree.

It's an old concept but it takes at least two to play ball.

What I'm getting at is that, yes, for a relatively small school NKU has a fine and successful athletic program. But who do they succeed against?

The fact is, schools like Bellarmine, Lewis University, and the University of Missouri-Rolla just do not compel NKU students to feel good about and identify with NKU's success. In other words, often times it's not how the home team plays, but who they play, that attracts fans and keeps them attracted.

Our big state-financed NKU competes too often against small private schools. It's time we grow up and face bigger challenges. Think about it—the largest crowd in Regents Hall history came to see a UK basketball scrimmage game in

1978. They did NOT come to see NKU play.

One should at least ponder the thought that NKU has had 15 years of graduates in the community and thousands of kids who've gone through summer clinics in all sports.

Admittedly, this is not an awe-inspiring hall of fame-building tradition like UK basketball, but it's definitely a base to build on.

So let's build! Let's think about playing some serious competition. Many students would love to see NKU play basketball against Eastern Kentucky or Western Kentucky.

Even if we lose the games for a few years it might build tradition. It's good exciting competition. It might create interest throughout the community and, perhaps more importantly, it would sell tickets.

If, for example, NKU joined the Ohio Valley Conference where real competition abounds, the program might start to

realize a more meaningful potential.

The program might even take on its appropriate role as a unifying element between this school and the often fragmented community of Northern Kentucky.

NKU may be unique on the face of the athletic earth but it is not hopeless in attracting support for its sports program.

If only the NKU visionaries can see fit to deliver on an unspoken promise of worthy competition, then we can begin work on being more than a commuter school full of disinterested students.

We might then lay legitimate claim to a thriving athletics program supported not only by students but also by the entire Northern Kentucky area. That's the way it should be. After all it is Northern Kentucky University, not Highland Heights College.

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## Lady Norse show potential

by Tressa Evans  
Staff writer

The Lady Norse volleyball team must face one of the toughest schedules in the school's history if they hope to capture their second conference crown in three years and gain their first bid, since 1980, to the NCAA Division II post-season tournament.

"The potential is definitely there, but a lot of our success depends on how well we gel," said coach Meier.

"We have the players, but they're going to have to grow as a team."

Under Meier the Lady Norse, last year, posted a 24-10 overall finish and a 10-3 mark in the Great Lakes Valley Conference, good enough for second place. One year earlier NKU finished 30-9 overall, and 10-1 in the conference, capturing the title in it's first season as an eligible member.

The Lady Norse must realize their potential with one of the toughest schedules ever. The opposition includes the top teams in the Great Lakes Region

— Grand Valley State College, Ferris State College, Wayne State University and Northern Michigan University.

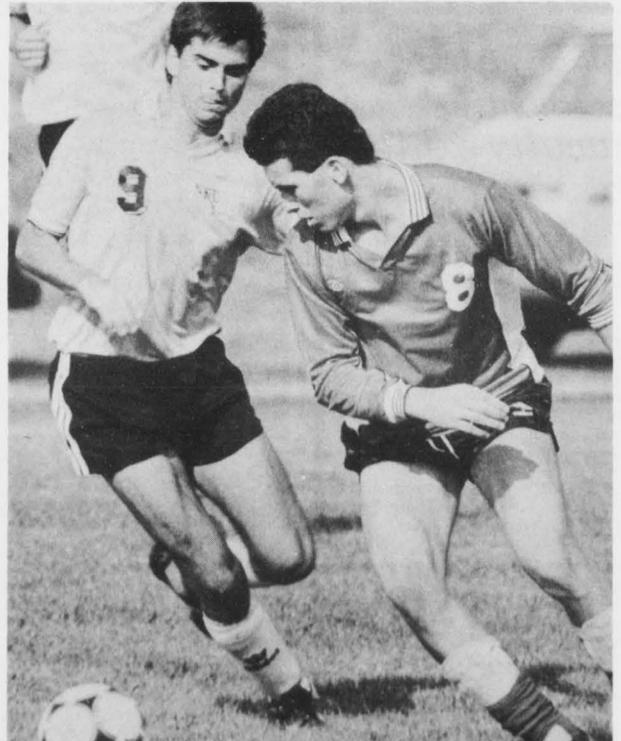
The Lady Norse will also participate in the prestigious 12-team Army Invitational at West Point, New York.

"The beginning of the season is very important," Meier said.

"We only get one chance to play most of the top teams in the region, and I want us to be prepared."

NKU returns 10 letterwinners and five starters from last season. Meier will base her team's attack around All-American candidate, Jenny Huber. Huber, a 5-8 senior, is a member of the All-Great Lakes Region team. In three seasons, she has recorded 1,224 kills and an impressive .293 attacking percentage, highlighted by a .327 mark in 1985. The three-year starter has helped NKU compile a 78-30 record since joining the Lady Norse.

Joining Huber as outside hitter, will be senior Deb Holford and junior Vicki Fleissner. Holford, from North Bend see Volleyball, page 9



Tom McSwigan, no.9, attempts to steal the ball from University of Louisville player Luigi Minghetti, no.8, during last Thursday's season opener. NKU won the game 3-1. (Eric Krosnes/The Northerner)

# Men's cross country look for improvement

by Rick Swinford  
Staff writer

Following last year's disappointing 25-28 finish, NKU men's cross country coach Al Ginn's goal for his team is simple—improve.

The fifth-year coach believes his team could improve significantly this year, since there are three returnees and four newcomers on this season's roster. Last season the Norsemen struggled through with the minimum five runners necessary to compete as a team.

Not only does Ginn hope to boost his team's overall record, but he also hopes to move up in the Great Lakes Valley Conference. The Norsemen open their season Friday, Sept. 11, at the University of Cincinnati. Their remaining schedule includes five invitationals and the conference championship. Last

season, in only their second year of eligible competition, the Norsemen finished fifth at the GLVC meet.

"We had only five runners last year and it was tough for those guys," said Ginn, who has achieved a 148-111 record at NKU.

"With the guys we have coming back, we have a good nucleus to build around."

Juniors Quint Northrup and Fred Cornett are lined up as the team's top runners while second-year-man Mike Howard and his freshman brother, Greg, will compete for the third spot.

Northrup turned in his finest season at NKU last year, recording the fastest time among NKU runners in six races. The Cincinnati Turpin High School grad posted a 284-124 overall record, good for a .700 winning percentage. He also achieved the team's best time (27:03) over a five-mile course.

Cornett was as consistent as Northrup. The graduate of Scott (Ky.) High School registered the second-best among his NKU teammates in six of seven races. He posted a 226-182 record, a .555 winning average, and recorded the team's best

time in a 10-kilometer race (36:24).

In the GLVC meet, Cornett and Northrup finished 22nd and 23rd, respectively, while Mike Howard finished in 28th place at the 10-kilometer course of Oak Meadow Country Club in Evansville, Ind.

"I think we can definitely get better," Ginn said.

"We have basically the same schedule as last year, so we'll see how our guys have improved. I believe that we can finish second or third, at least, in the conference."

## Winstel relying on experience to overcome problems

by Rick Swinford  
Staff writer

With four returning varsity letterwinners, the NKU women's cross country

team will begin its 1987 season with veteran experience.

For the first time ever, coach Nancy Winstel can rely on that experience to carry the team in its seven scheduled meets, including the season opener at Bellarmine College, Saturday, Sept. 12.

Despite having the advantage of returning experience, the Lady Norse must once again operate under the handicap of a lack of numbers. Coach Winstel's team

has only five runners on its current roster, giving it the minimum number of runners needed for team competition.

The team is entering their third season of varsity competition since the school added women's cross country as a varsity sport in 1985. In their premiere season, the Lady Norse posted a 5-18 record but fell to a 4-26 last year.

Of the returnees junior Donna Phillips figures to be the top runner.

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## Levi inherits tennis teams

by Andy Nemann  
Staff writer

Dwight Levi took over the men's and women's tennis program this summer, according to Ed Thompson.

Levi replaces longtime NKU tennis coach Roger Klein who retired after last season, having coached for more than 30 years in the Northern Kentucky area.

"Dwight has good experience in coaching men's and women's athletic teams," Thompson said.

"He understands the university and its philosophies. He will give our program continuity and he should be able to recruit well with his local contacts."

Levi who played four seasons of collegiate tennis at Campbellsville (Ky.) College, has been coaching high school ten-

nis in Northern Kentucky for the past 18 years. The last 15 of which was spent at Conner High School where Levi was the boy's and girl's coach.

"I'm very excited about the opportunity here at Northern," Levi said.

"This is a tennis program that has had good success in the years past."

Levi will inherit a men's program that has captured consecutive Great Lakes Valley Conference titles and a women's team that went 12-3 in 1986 including a 4-1 mark in the GLVC. Both teams return a number of good and experienced players and should be considered contenders for their respective conference titles in 1987.

Assisting Levi this season will be Rob Hardin, who served as an assistant tennis coach at Bellevue High School in 1985.

jumping, and I'm anxious to see how much of an impact it will have on our playing."

Meier returns two solid players in juniors Jennifer Quast, of Notre Dame (Ky.) Academy and Prudi Downs of Milford (Ohio) High School. Meier will also rely heavily on senior Stacey Meiman as the team's setter. Sophomore Molly Messmer and junior Missy Schneider will also see action as setter this season.

Other players include: Lisa Smith, senior; Sheri Farquer, sophomore; Ann Fishburn, freshman; and Paula Glazier, freshman.

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(Ohio) Taylor High School, joined the team her freshman year as a walk on. Fleissner, a 5-9 graduate of Highlands in Ft. Thomas, will attempt to replace Linda Ruh, who graduated in the spring of 1987.

"We definitely must replace the solid right side hitting and blocking of Linda," Meier said.

"But this should be one of the strongest physical teams we've had at NKU. We have worked on movement and



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## Winstel

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Last season NKU had just five runners on its roster when injuries prevented the Lady Norse from competing as a team in one match.

Phillips, a graduate of Newport Central Catholic High School, was the team's most consistent runner last year. She posted 10th-place finishes in both the Berea Invitational and Wright State Invitational, with times of 21:39 and 21:45 respectively, over the 5,000 meter courses.

Returning with Phillips are sophomores Cecilia Vincent, Kim Groeschen and Janet Bailer. Vincent, also

a graduate of Newport Central Catholic, could possibly challenge Phillips for the top spot. Vincent recorded NKU's fastest time in the Louisville Invitational, finishing in 23:03.

Freshman Terri Armstrong, who along with sophomore Bailer attended at local Scott (Ky.) High School, should help the Lady Norse considerably. Armstrong is the team's lone newcomer on this year's roster. Winstel hopes to increase her roster with the beginning of the fall semester.

## Boothe serves up sundaes

### Northerner staff report

President Leon Boothe volunteered his services Wednesday afternoon serving up free sundaes at the Ice Cream Social, an annual event held at the University Center Plaza and sponsored by Student Affairs.

"Students First" was the slogan adopted by the school to kick off Student Appreciation Week.

Pam Cupp, Coordinator of Student Programming, explained that Student Appreciation Week was designed to make students feel welcomed, and to let them know that NKU puts 'students first.'

Cupp also wants people to be aware that the Student Affairs Department is always available to help in any way.

Cupp feels the Ice Cream Social was a great idea, and has discovered during her work at NKU, that free food is always a big success.

St. Moritz provided ice cream, syrup, nuts and whipped cream to an ongoing crowd. Faculty and staff dished out sundaes in gastronomic fashion.

Chris Garrison, a freshman, like the idea of a special week being set up for students.

"I like the way students are made to feel welcomed at Northern," Garrison said.

## Symphony

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"We had heard about the concert from some friends," Nada and Jim Bauer, Cincinnati, said. "It's a beautiful night to enjoy a concert like this and we hope they continue to have more."

Diana Falhaber said she had always liked the concert in the park. She brought her four kids, so they could have a picnic and discover what an orchestra really was.

While the kids were discovering the orchestra, they also were begging mom for \$1.00 so they could buy a balloon from the Delta Zeta Sorority. At ten till eight, conductor, Erich Kunzel, gave the sign. Everyone let their balloons go. Attached to the balloon was a card and Delta Zeta

hopes whoever finds the balloon, will the send the card back. The owner and the finder of the farthest balloon will receive \$25.00. All of the profits from the balloon-selling will go to the Cincinnati Speech Interpreter's Fund.

Besides the enormous success the Symphony has had with the concerts in the park, Erich Kunzel and the CSO are finding success just about everywhere. Kunzel's reputation as a conductor, has been praised in several nationwide publications.

"People are saying this guy is it. The people of Cincinnati get to see a man who is tops in conducting, preform with an ultimate symphony," Katz said.

## Hysteria

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songs. It has a total of 12 cuts with a running time of over an hour. The album drags through four songs that are slower, probably to appeal to the pop audience.

The cuts 'Animal,' 'Love Bites,' 'Hysteria,' and 'Love and Affection,' slow down the pace and let Elliott's strong voice feel its way through.

The album really starts rocking with 'Women,' (seen on MTV.) 'Rocket,' and 'Excitable.' The two guitarists, Phil Colen and Steve 'Steamin' Clark, team up with bassist Rick Savage to produce a strong, crisp sound through out the

album. Drummer Rick Allen sets the tone on 'Excitable' with his strong drum parts.

The excellent mixing on *Hysteria* adds more feeling to some of the songs. The dubbing of President Reagan's voice on 'Gods of War,' gave the song more depth and meaning. The mechanical voice on 'Excitable,' along with Allen's strong drums, make it the best song on the album.

The *Hysteria* album raises mixed feeling, both good and bad. The album has some really rockin' songs, and it should do great on the charts.

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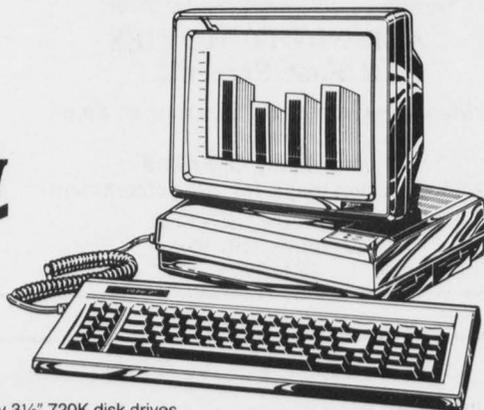
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