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NKU students donate to help victims

A banner hanging majesti-cally in Norse Commons proclaims 'We Will Not Be

Broken!"
Those five words provide a catch-all phrase in terms of the nation's reaction to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, as well as the students response at Northern Kentucky

at Northern Kentucky
University.

Katie Hershede, president
of Student Government
Association, said student

leader are collaborating to raise \$10,000 by this Friday. Hershede said SGA and

Norse Leadership Society are spearheading the operation, but there are numerou student organizations and students involved. Hershede said she hopes

the \$10,000 goal will be

show their character in these times of crisis," she said. Betty Mulkey, director of the students are very moti-vated and determined to help out with this cause. She said they have been raising several hundred dollars each

them. This is a good group,

she said.

Mulkey said although the goal was originally set as this Friday, but she feels it may end up being an ongoig effort - speculating it ould go on for a couple of

Mulkey cited student Lee
Whitley as the one who suggested the students pool
their efforts into one campaign. She also said the
\$10,000 goal was Whitley's

ggestion.

Mulkey said they have a list of possible organizati to donate the money to. Mulkey said that she is let-ting the students decide what they want to do with

the money.

Mulkey said students
have indicated that monies would be donated to both

Washington DC areas.
Todd Duncan, director of led by the students.

"This is about students...I applaud their efforts and I

am a huge advocate of their efforts," he said. Duncan said the approach the administration is taking now is to step back and let the students back. He said

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NKU mourns

'It's a time for tears, but it's also a time for hope.'



NKU community gathers for memorial

By Rick Amburgey

President George W. Bush declared last Friday as the National Day of Prayer and Remembrance. in honor the victim's of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington, DC.

In accordance with Bush's request, Mark Shanley, vice president for Student Affairs and Enrollment at Northern Kentucky University, sent

an announcement via e-mail to stu-dents, faculty and staff informing them NKU would host a ceremony

at 11:45 a.m. Friday morning.
University members filled the plaza, even before the scheduled time. Many students were holding white roses, symbolizing their hope

In addition to the National

"God Bless America" and Lee Greenwood's "God Bless The U.S.A." were sung, as tears filled the eyes of many that attended.

The administration urged every-one in the University community of attend. Rumors were circulating Friday morning that administration had canceled or postponed classes during the time of the event. Kent Kelso, Dean of Students, said that

"I think there has been a request for faculty to let classes out five minutes early, but there has been no postponement of classes," Kelso

President James C. Votruba. He addressed the tragedy, but also encouraged and applauded how the University community came to er during a time of great crisis.

time for hope," Votruba said.

Several local authorities were invited to participate in the ceremony, including representation from the Kenton County Police Department, the University of Cincinnati ROTC and the Campbell County Fire

The Campbell County Fire Department's Assistant Chief was present to raise the American flag with a Department of Public Safety Officer

Campbell County's Capt. Ray Dishman said they were there show respect for the country "a for our brothers that lost their lives

in New York."
The Kenton County Police
Department and UC ROTC provided
colorguards for the ceremony.
Capt. Tony Kramer, Kenton
County Police, said the duty of the

"Their job is to present the American flag, the colors in a respectable and dignified manner," Kramer said.

Following the ceremony, there was an Interfaith Prayer and Reflection Service, hosted by Student Government Association, held in the Otto Budig Theater in the University Center.

The standing-room-only crowd sowed their heads as the prayer from the National Catherderal /ashington DC.
The Campus Ministries were pres-

ent, including Baptist Student Union Campus Minister Bill Ellis.

"It reminds people they need to think about their spiritual walk and think about their spiritual walk and their relationship with God," Ellis

Students grieve together

By Rick Amburgey

An open forum was held last Tuesday evening in the Residential Village to allow students to discuss their reactions to the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center and

Pentagon.

All day Tuesday, students sat rivited to televisions all over campus, shocked at the events unfolding before them. Todd Duncan, director of

Todd Duncan, director of University Housing, said the forum was open for all students, but it's location showed the focus was on the residents. "The big difference is they are separated from their fami-lies. The university wanted to show we care about our students during this difficult time," he said. The goal of Tuesday's forum was

to address the immediate needs of the students.

Along with campus organiza-

that helped plan the open form were University Housing, Dean of Students office, Health, Counseling and Testing office, Department of Public Safety, Student Government Association and Campus

Ministries.

The healthiest way to deal with a situation such as this is to talk about what we are feeling and experienc-

ing, Duncan said.

Duncan said the departments and rganizations want to be supportive of the wide range of responses stu-dents have. In addition to adminis-trative groups, there were represen-tatives from Students Together Against Racism (STAR) and

Brandon Hill, co-president of STAR, said while this is a tragedy it's also an opportune moment to

se this as a way to make change.
"You have to put pressure on the
wmakers of the United States of lawmakers of the Un America," Hill said.

Ayana Denson, president of she spent Tuesday praying. "I bega to cry and began to pray," she said

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Blood donors are silent heroes

Open spots filled up quick-ly for Thursday's blood drive at Northern Kentucky University after Tuesday's ter-torist attacks on the United States. The drive, which was planned a year ago, usually takes walk-ins because it fails

to register enough people ahead of time. Faculty/Staff Wellness Coordinator Sue Roth said she received 15 to 20 calls in the past few days from people wanting to give, and the callers were usually calling for a group rather than just

yearly, three geared toward student donors and three toward faculty and staff although anyone can give at any time. Although there is always a good turnout, blood drives usually don't fill up.

Roth said Hoxworth Blood Center currently has a lot of blood on hand but that doesn't mean they won't need more 'If we really want to be help Roth said. The next NKU drive will be held on

by," Roth said. Type O and rarer types are most in need.

Carol Crowley, assistant to
the director of the physical

plant, has been donating at NKU since 1974. She has received a pin for each gallon of blood she has donated and is currently working on her eight gallon pin. "I know I'm very close," Crowley said, "I've had the seven gallon pin

for donating by eating a good meal before hand and drink-ing lots of fluids. Roth said it's important to present

as dizziness and feeling ba-afterwards. She also said flu ids with caffeine and alcohol

should be avoided because they dehydrate.

Roth said many people don't give because they're afraid of the needle. Bringing someone with you for support helps, she said, and the Hoxworth people are great about helping people stay

"silent heroes of the commu-nity. "We don't always have a



Susan Faculty and staff gathered in UC's Ballr

give to folks," Roth said.

Crowley. "It's a great thing "I really wish that if people do for the community, not just that they would," said day. Go out and do it."

NEWS



s receive new and improved computers as part of a four-year-recycle pr

New computers on campus

By Jason Dobbins

Aging Dell computers in student labs, faculty and staff offices throughout Northern Kentucky University are gradually becoming replaced with new models that can process faster and have greater The new replacement plan, now in

the new replacement plan, now in its second year, is part of a four-year-cycle process that includes pro-viding NKU with updated IBM and Mac based computers. Each year, 25 percent of student labs, faculty and staff offices are given new machines for the four-year period. Afterwards, a newer model will be

Afterwards, a newer model will be purchased for consecutive cycles. The black, extra-curvilinear designed Dells operate the 933 megaherz. Pentium III processors and contain 256 megs of RAM. or memory, compared to the earlier models that used 75mhz to 133mhz to 133mhz of speed and 64 megs of RAM. Stacey Stacy, a senior majoring in business management, said the com-

business management, said the com-puters will be a great asset to the

university.
"I had Windows 95. When I updated my computer to 2000, some of these weren't updated so I couldn't read the information on these," she said. "But now I should be able

'A four-year-cycle is much better than where we were.

Director-Customer Systems

The plan is spearheaded by Gary Pratt, Associate Provost for Information Technology Chief Information Officer and Bert Brown, Associate Director -Customer Systems, both of whom work in the Information Technology
Department inside the Lucas
Administrative Center.

The new Dells were initially equipped with the eapability of copying information onto CDs, also nown as "burning." The function, however,

The function, however, was removed from most, if not all, new lab computers for security reasons, said Adrian Patt, a Computer Science senior who is also a lab assistant at the AST building. Patt also said faculty and staff members could request that their incoming new computers retain the "burning" They also have the privi ge of receiving a laptop in lieu of

the desktop.

The fate of the surplus computers is decided after they are customarily

why older computers are removed is because the cost of maintaining them is roughly 10 times greater than the newer models. Some,how-ever, may remain on campus for a longer duration because of high

Because NKU is starving for technology for so long, there have been a lot of people who have beer requesting exceptions to that rule so they can keep and put them in other places to help people," said Pratt. Funding for the new computers

mes from several sources such a student technology fee coveris the student technology fee covering the laturand faculty systems. A separate university fund pays for staff computers. Comparatively, man universities, including the University of Cincinnati, receive enough money to support a three-year-cycle, a goal that Brown said he wants to meet.

"A four-year-cycle is much better than where we were," said Brown, "which was, there was no campus wide plan for replacement of com-We haven't even made it ough a full four-year-cycle yet.

500 and 600 of the Between 500 and 600 of the est mated 2,000 computers on camps supported by the IT Department w

DPS Reports

SEP 6 2001-Thursday-09:47 p.m. Location: PARKING LOT P - ROBBERY 2ND

vehicle a subject approached her from beh nd, pulled her purse from her ants, loose bulky long sleeve shirt and gloves. The uspect also had a strong odor of cologne at the time of the incident. Information on this incident, attempt

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to file a report. Upon arrival, Officers met with the complainant who stated that she had recently broken-up with her boyfriend. She advised that she was afraid the ex-boyfriend would return and hurt either her or himself. A report was completed by Residential Life personnel and a copy was forwarded to D.P.S. The case remains open at this time...

SEP 13 2001-Thursday-02:55pm Location: NUNN DRIVE AT GRANT DRIVE TRAFFIC-Traffic Stop

Vehicle was observed disregarding a stop sign

issued a Kentucky State Citation for disregarding a traffic control device and for failure to produce proof of insurance. The subject received a date to appear in Campbell County District Court.

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Female advised that she had been receiving calls at her location from a male subject she felt was very strange. The subject had called thinking he had won free concert tickets, but had not. The subject finding that he did not win, became upset and con-frontational. The complainant then became alarmed. but stated that the caller never made any threats. The complainant was able to provide DPS, with information on a possible suspect. The incident remains

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SEP 13 2001-Thursday-11:48 p.m on: A.S.&T. BUILDING - FIRST FLOOR -ALARM-Intrusion Alarm

on Alarm was received from the listed loca tion. DPS Officers responded and checked the area finding nothing out of the ordinary. All exterior ors were checked, all were secure. The alarm is believed to have been caused by strong wi ing against an alarmed door, setting off the alarm.

'Fantasia 2000' wows IMAX patrons

By Cheryl Ritchie Assistant Features Edito

The Firstar IMAX theater at the

The Firstar IMAX theater at the Newport on the Levee opened to the public Sept. 14 showing Disney's "Fantasia 2000" through Disney's Cacated next to the Newport Aquarium, the Firstar IMAX is sowned by 3-D on the Olio and sponsored by Firstar. The IMAX format has been around for 31 years. The theater screen is eight stories wide and six stories thigh. The screen has 20 million small holes to allow speakers behind the screen to be heard clearly. 1150-own speakers behind the screen.

"What you are hearing and what you are seeing are coming from the same place." David Brown, director of the Firstar IMAX Theater, said. According to Brown, there are 2000 parking spaces under the complex. The railroad bridge that connects Ohio to Newport on the Levee

will become a pedestrian bridge. There will be a grand opening Oct.11 including six new businesses besides the IMAX theater. The completion of the Levee should be spring 2003.

On Sept. 8 there was a special screening for Firstar customers. On Sept. 8 there was a special screening for Firstar customers.

Sept. 9 there was a special screening for the employees. The special screening shown was "Michael Jordan to the Max". The special as "Michael

Jordan to the Max".
"If this special screening does well we will book "Michael Jordan to the Max" at a later time," Brown said.
Matthew Rupe, Firstar employee, said the impressive screen made the

movie exciting.
"I'm not a big sports fan but I liked
the movie," Rupe said. "As soon as
I walked in the door I was impressed.
The screen was so huge that you felt
like you were surrounded by the The sound system was very

"All Access", a concert film that features Kid Rock, Macey Gray, Sting, Sheryl Crow, B.B. King and

day," Brown said.

In November there will be an introduction of blockbuster hits such as "Gladiator" and "Pearl Harbor". Brown said, "There will be some real interesting programming com-ing up in the next several years."

ing up in the next several years.
"Beauty and the Beast" will come
out on January 1, 2002, which is a
remake for the large screen.
"It is awesome," Brown said.
"The best film I have ever seen on
the IMAX screen."
There are two different types of
films shown at the IMAX. One is a

Standard engagement film, which cost \$9 adults \$8 children and seniors. The second type is a special engagement film, which cost more to run \$10.75 for adults and \$9 for and children and seniors. Hours are known as the control of the seniors. children and seniors. Hours are Sunday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 9:05 p.m. On Friday and Saturday

The Northerner is looking for news ideas and stories. Have the latest on a big scoop? Contact either Susan Bartels or Jenny Plemen at 859-572-5260 to get your ideas in.

Local non-profit organizations offer help with relief efforts

September 11th Fund' seeking contributions

By Rick Amburgey Features Editor

Local chapters of the United Way, Red Cross and the Salvation Army are giving area residents an oppor ity to aid in the massive relief effort following the Sept. 11 attacks.

ing the attacks to allow people to

The purpose of the fund is to pro ediate relief to affected area by providing immediate need

The September 11th Fund was reated almost immediately follow-

according to a press release from the United Way.

The United Way's local fundraising partner, The American Red ross, is accepting only financial

Sondra Guile, com for the American Red Cross, said the best way to provide immediate relief

or the victims is financial support.

Guile said typically, case workers ask families what they have and what their needs are. She said their primary goal is providing everyone

with food, clothing and shelter.

They sent six Cincinnati area employees to the affected areas: three to New York City, two to Pennsylvania, ashington DC.

ccept blood donations, and refers all people wanting to donate blood to the Hoxworth Blood Center Guile said said those that dona

can be sure that thier donation will go towards the relief efforts.

recieve 100 percent of the money we are raising at the Cincinnati area chapter," she said.

A representative for United Way said those wanting to donate non monetary items can donate short shoes, shirts, bottled water, and sports drinks to the local Salvation Anyone wishing to make credit

card contributions may do so by calling 1-800-255-7070.

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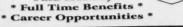
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WORLD & NATION

Pakistan asks for time to consider U.S. demands: possible strike on Afghanistan

By Anwar Faruqi

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) _ Pakistan has asked the United States for time to consider a list of in a possible strike against Afghanistan for harboring suspected terrorist Osama bin Laden, a top Pakistani official said Friday.

A senior Bush administration official said that Washington had urged Pakistan to close its border with Afghanistan and to cut off funding for terrorist groups. Pakistan supports the Taliban and is knowledgeable of bin Laden's

According to the U.S. official, who spoke on condition of anonymity on Thursday, the U.S. also asked Pakistan for permission to fly over its territory in the event of military action.

Pakistan's intelligence chief, Lt. Gen. Mehmood Ahmed, who heads talks in Washington, told U.S. offi-cials that his country needed time onsider the demands, said the or Pakistani official, who

He said that the United States of terror operating from secret

itary brass Friday to discuss the U.S. demands, said the military official, who did not want to be

Since Tuesday's attacks, there has been speculation about a retaliatory strike against Afghanistan. The United Nations and many international aid organizations have withdrawn their foreign workers, fearing an attack.

Cooperating with the United States in an attack on Afghanistan could cause a backlash from milicould cause a backlash from mili-tant Muslim groups in Pakistan, one of three countries that recog-nizes the Taliban government. The others are Saudi Arabia and the The Taliban are supp

militant Islamic groups in militant Islamic groups in Pakistan. Followers of the Pakistani groups are well-armed and strongly anti-American. Maulana Samiul Haq, the leader of the Afghan Defense Council, an umbrella group of Pakistan's

Islamic militant groups, said the group would urge street protests if Musharraf allowed Pakistan to be

used for air strikes.

However, Pakistan could benefit from helping Washington. It sufic sanctions imposed the United States and much of the Western world because of its 1998 nuclear tests.



Jetliners return to nation's skies, passengers wait in long lines

trated passengers still waited in long lines as airlines struggled to restore service three days after terrorist strikes on New York and Washington shut down America's Travelers faced hours-long delays

due to intense new security meas-ures, including bans on seemingly

every conceivable weapon _ even ail clippers and plastic knives. And

About 3,000 aircraft were over the nation by early afternoon compared with 3,600 to 4,000 on a normal day, but many had no passengers, said Jerry Snyder, a Federal Aviation Administration spokesman in Los

The FAA had certified more th 400 airports to reopen by Friday

In Boston, a tew passengers showed up in the morning with lug-gage at the still-closed Logan Airport after several airlines erro-neously told passengers their flights would be leaving. Airport officials called the airlines and instructed

ed two jets that were hijacked Tuesday and crashed into New York's World Trade Center. The air-

ty measures were in place, FAA Administrator Jane Garvey said. The airport was under investigation for possible security breaches before the attacks.

The New York area's three major

Kennedy International, arports _ Rennedy International, LaGuardia and Newark International _ had some landings on Thursday but then abruptly closed as the FBI detained at least ople of Middle Eastern decent Officials at airports across the

untry said it could be late next eek before commercial service is

Before flights could begin operating, airports were required to implement new security measures, includ-ing banning curbside check-in and limiting access to ticketed passengers beyond security screening

This is the kind of security you



obstacle to making friends.

'I'm afraid to tell people that
I'm Muslim because I'm afraid

they'll think negatively about

me," she said.

Political leaders across the country called on people not to blame innocent Americans for Tuesday's deadly attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

But often their admonitions were incomed.

We should not hold one who is

Muslims and Arab communities around nation targeted for abuse

Politicians caution about retaliations

By Lynn Elber

Tears welled up in Mohammad Kasmaei's eyes as he recounted the angry telephone calls that keep pouring into his Ali Baba Restaurant in Anaheim, Calif.
"You can't stay in the U.S.," was one message. Another caller simply reeled off bitter obsceni-

While Kasmaei said he felt as deeply for the victims of Tuesday's terrorist attacks as he ould for his own family, he and would for his own ramily, he and other Muslims and people of Middle Eastern heritage were increasingly being hounded by an angry public looking for someone

Twelve hours after the attacks in New York and Washington, a 40-

terror," President Bush said Thursday. The threats and swears also were directed at Islamic centers all year-old man allegedly stormed into a Seattle mosque and threat-ened to burn it down. He was arrested for malicious harassment. Acts of hatred toward Muslims

of this country" were among the ones left on an answering machine have been happening all over the at an Islamic center in Bellevue, Renee Hamel, 15, of Berlin, Conn., said in the wake of the attacks, her faith has become an

Wash.

In California's capital of Sacramento, home to about 25,000 Muslims, security was increased at mosques and Muslim leaders asked women not to go outside in their traditional black robes. their traditional black robes

In Washington state, the Islamic School of Seattle suspended class-es out of concern for students'

We've been fighting an uphill battle," said Nasser Beydoun director of the American Arab Chamber of Commerce. "A lot of people left their homelands to escape this violence."

Rare rhinoceros born at Cincinnati Zoo

First birth in captivity in 112 years

CINCINNATI _ For the first time 112 years, a Sumatran rhi-noceros has been bred and born in captivity, and experts say United States. that lifts their hopes that the species can be saved.

Officials at the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden hailed the birth of the healthy event. Sumatran rhinos once Southeast Asia, but there are them among the world's most

Emi, whose previous five preg-She and the father rhino, named Ipuh, are the only breeding pair of Sumatran rhinos in the

I believe that the probability of survival of this species has 50-50 to significantly above director of the International

Foose called the birth an 'epochal" event, adding that what has been learned about the rhinos' reproductive cycle from the Cincinnati birth is being put mother is 11-year-old to use elsewhere. The last time born in captivity was in India in

Emi and Ipuh are on loan from the Indonesian government as part of a multinational captive breeding program that began in 1984. But until Thursday, the program had not produced a single Sumatran

The Indonesian government gets the honor of naming the newborn, zoo spokeswoman Barbara Rish said The only other adult Sumatran

rhino in this country, a female named Rapunzel, is at the had been at Cincinnati but

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FEATURES

View from the top of the world

NKU professor climbs 22,000 foot peak in forty days

By Stacey Sutton

For Sean Foley, tense moments, group favorite hobby

The career is associate professor of con-struction at Northern Kentucky University. The hobby is mountaineering. His list of climbing feats now range from

the much more difficult and latest accomplishment of Mt. McKinley, the tallest peak in North America. Foley conquered the

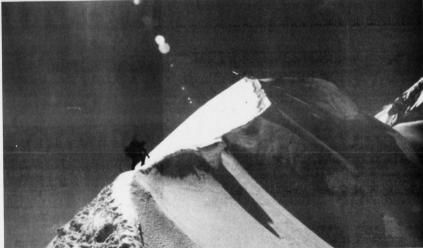
in North America. Foley conquered the peak in June. Foley began supplying packing in February for his attempt at scaling Mt. McKinley. His supplies consisted mostly of food for the group of four. The supplies were sent to the edge of Denali National Park in Alaska. The supplies traveled another 35 miles by decaded to a bodies proty where they would

supplies traveled another 35 miles by dogsled to a holding spot where they would sit from March until May. The team's chosen route up the 22,320 foot mountain is one that only about 10 percent of Mt. McKinley's climbers attempt. The trip lasted 40 days totaling 60 miles. "It was a form of meditation where all the worries about work and everything else discussions where the source was a force that's

appears because you're on a ledge that's about six feet wide and eight feet tall where

nothing else matters," Foley said.

Not only did Foley use the trip to meditate,



he also used it to raise \$1,000 in donations for researching a cure for multiple sclerosis.

Of the journey, Foley said, interpersonal relations make most expeditions fail causing tense moments. Foley said there were many group meetings to clear the air. The prob-

Foley is back at NKU this fall, finally fin-ishing three academic degrees, being selected for a tenure-track, and comp year dream of climbing Mt. McKinley. He

lems stem from being tired, hungry, cold and also married his fiance, Amy, this past to nine job, so it gives me mo

climbing mountains to being a professor?
"I became a professor because I love teaching, and it's a lot more flexible than an eight

His future climbing plans include the 22,834 foot Aconcagua in Argentina, the Matterhorn in Switzerland and maybe Mont Blanc, the highest summit in Europe

Grealy speech rescheduled

In spite of last weeks's tragedies, Lucy Grealy is still coming to Northern Kentucky University, just a few days laster. This week she has been rescheduled to speak in Regent's Hall Thursday, Sept. 20 and visit the freshmen writing classes. Sept. 20 and visit the freshmen writing classes with the sept. The sept. The sept. 20 and visit the freshmen writing classes. Sept. 20 and visit the freshmen writing classes with the sept. 20 and 10 and

out."
Part of the problem of resched-uling was not only that airline traf-fic was shut down for a few days but that Greatly resides in Manhattan, New York City. Even though she teaches in Vermout, she witnessed much of the tragedy at the World Trade Center.
"She told me that jets were fly-

ing over her apartment and to her think she was in a war zone," said Dr. John Alberti of the lan-guage and literature department. "Then she realized she was in a

war zone." Both Alberti and Zaniello s Both Albertt and Zamiello said they didn't know if Grealy would talk about the terrorist attacks on Thursday evening or in the classes. But Alberti said they hope her appearance will be a positive, life-confirming event. Alterall, Grealy is a survivor and has faced mortal-ity.

ity.
"She's still willing to come she's still willing to get on a
plane," he said. "New York City
residents are pretty resilient. She
still expressed a lot of enthusiasm

for the trip."

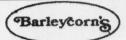
On Friday, Grealy will lunch with the 20 winners of the "How I Connected to 'Autobiography of a Face'" contest.

Shannon McNay, freshman and



Photo Author Lucy Grealy.

Author Lucy Grealy.
one of the winners, said she
thought the book was amazing.
"Anyone can relate to it, not just
freshmen," she said. "Anyone can
go through what she went through.
It's also interesting about her family life. She does talk about college
but the book is good for anyone.
Grealy is tentatively scheduled
to autograph her book in the NKU



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VIEWPOINTS

America gone huntin'

By Susan Bartels

say that the recent terrorist attack on this country is an attack on democracy. I don't pretend to understand all the nuances of all the politics which resulted in the attack, but I don't see that. What I do see are the leaders of this great nation once again dodging the truth and using the old "it's attack on democracy" gig to pull out their big guns and go hunting in retaliation. What I hear is well educated people cheering them on, people old enough to remember Viet Nam. They called that "police action" a threat to democracy. We lost, in case you don't remember. Our democracy lives on, in case you haven't noticed. Our leaders withheld the truth from us, in case you've forgotten. Have we not learned anything from history? How many times do we have to make the same mistakes before we learn?

I also hear the well educa people on this campus, those who know the nuances of the politics involved, the truth about transpired between the U.S. and middle east, not telling it because they're afraid. They're afraid because of the backlash they will get for not being true Americans supporting the hunt. They're afraid because they think they'll he misunderstood as supporting terrorism. When people are afraid to speak, that's what I call an President Bush has promised

retaliation. How many times have we retaliated in the past? How much has it helped? Isn't that exactly what the terrorist are doing? If we retaliate, doesn't that make us just like them?

I love America just as much as anyone else in this country. I love democracy. I want my family to live in peace. I want my children to learn to handle situations without retaliation. I want both sides of the story and I want the truth from our elected officials

We will be triumphant

Here's the thing about days that live on in infamy. They suck. They're full of pain, and heartache, sorrow, and loss, and uncertainty.

The world comes crashing in around us and we are given no time to react. Some lose their nerve and spend a large block of time crying and lamenting. Others choose to go on as if nothing happened, in hope that if they don't give it a lot of thought it won't affect them. Some, and these are the great ones, are overwhelmed by everything, and fight through it to support those not so strong. To you

people, I tip my hat. Sept. 11, 2001 will be a day our nation never forgets. People will call for the heads of anyone they think might have been behind it. Panic and hysteria will make stops all over the country. We will look to whoever we can for strength and leadership, and cling to whatever we can. But here's the good part. We will be triumphant.

One thing I want everyone to remember is that we are all hurting. From the girl whose mother was flying to Los Angeles when the plane

boy whose closest connection is that he had once been to the World Trade Center. This affects us all.

Center. This affects us all.

When I first heard about what happened, I thought people were discussing a movie they were watching in class. Then, I figured it was a hoax, like in 1938 when Orson Welles convinced the world Mars had attacked. Like everyone else, my first reaction was that this couldn't be real. This kind of thing just doesn't happen. Not here. But it does. It

did. Where do we go from here?

Some, like myself get angry
We're ready to join up and fight th evil bastards that thought they could screw with us. They came here, attacked our friends at work and turned our world upside down. Right now, they're laughing. Palestine is dancing in the street. America is out for blood. And no one knows who to

Tattooine of our planet claim respon sibility. But these people don't even have wheat, do they have the resources to mount such an attack on the world's biggest superpower? Yes, they do. They would apparently pre-

people. Not exactly what I would call the healthiest priorities.

Here's where the fun stops. You

have to wonder what the m My worst fear right now is that the this was merely a ploy to get us to respond so they can launch whatever weapon of mass destruction they

It's disturbing because they h already shown a complete lack of der what else they're capable of. A dangerous thing in the world is a crazy man with access to nuclear weapons, though I always thought it odd he needed to add the word crazy to the sentence.

Those who don't, I am sorry for your loss. In this time of strife, we all eed to bond together. Throw away petty disputes. It sounds corny, but we must all get along. There's a common good to be pursued, and something bigger than any of us can

North Poll

"Do you think we should retaliate?"



Britany Contois

I don't think they should start a war without knowing who the people are. I think right now they e taking the right precautions

Brandon Sellmeyer Jr. Marketing major

Yes, definelty but to the right people, not just people with Middle Eastern Background.





Jr. Journalism Maio

I think there should be justice for what has been done. Nobody kills innocent people without having to pay the

Sr. Math & Psychics major

Yes, once they find out who did it



The events of the last few weeks brought out the compassionate and resourceful nature of Northern Kentucky University. Immediately after the World Trade Center collapsed, students and faculty sprang into action setting up disaster funds, blood drives and forums for emotional support. The Northerner staff would like to thank the many individuals in our community who took time and effort to help out the victims of terrorism.

Public transportation: One answer to many questions

By Jenny Plemen Assistant News Editor

What this country needs is public transportation! Having lived a year in Belfast, the first thing that struck ne when I returned was that I had to once again rely on my car to get me places. I can no longer go on mad pub crawls in town and flag down a taxi or catch a bus or a train to get me home. How would I ever be able to afford a taxi from a Covington pub back to my home in Pendleton County? And if I were to attempt to drive home after a night out, since Kentucky recently low ered the legal blood alcohol content level, I would surely end up in jail with a DUI.

I sorely miss Belfast's public transport where most teenagers and young adults don't know how to drive let alone have need to own

their own cars. Most of their lives they've relied on buses and trains to get them to town or to the next city or most anywhere in the British Isles they've needed to go.

Of course, unlike America, Britain and Ireland's public trans-port has had good upkeep and is in od condition and reaches to the furthest corners of the Isles. In America public transport can mostly only be found in major cities like York and Washington D.C. This makes sense, however, considering the magnitude of a country

almost the size of a continent.

Perhaps if American cities were built around shopping areas and businesses instead of urban sprawl's subdivisions being pro-claimed cities, there would be less need for cars.

Urban sprawl has put Americans further and further from shopping.

services, and jobs. One would think that public transport should have caught on to ease the stresses of traffic and long commutes. Not to mention the expense of maintaining vehicles with all of the mileage and wear and tear of everyday us

I would be overjoyed if I could rely on a dependable bus service from my home to NKU everyday, especially since my car is in the garage almost once a month. I have had so many headaches with car repairs that I have become a vocal proponent of public transon and would love to give up my car forever if I could.

However, since America is unlikely to embrace such an eco-nomical idea for fear of a loss of personal sovereignty, I suppose I to Belfast one day.

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SPORTS

NRA gives \$4000 to Skeet and Trap team

By Holly Hayden Staff Writer

Northern Kentucky University's Skeet and Trap team recently received a \$4,000 check from the National Rifle check from the National Rifle Association. This comes from a fund that gives more to 4-H clubs and other asso-ciations that belp promote shooting among youth. The team president, Chet Kiser, was alerted about the fund by members of the team's gun club who are also members of the Friends of the NRA committee.

committee.
"I applied for a grant up here, and it came through, and I got four grand for them [the Skeet and Trap team] this time," says Kiser, who transferred to NKU from University of Kentucky.

The Skeet and Trap team is an organization that competes against other colleges such as Harvard, U.K. West Point.

zation that competes against orner col-leges such as Harvard, UK, West Point, Navy and Purdue. The competition con-sists of shooting clay pigeons at ranges. According to Kiser, it was hard to even get the team started because it was asso-ciated with firearms. It was more diffi-cult to find a faculty/staff advisor for the

team.
"Everyone else was either preoccupied or unwilling, and he [Matt Moher] came and asked me and I was willing," said Wayde Shanks, faculty/staff advisor for

Shanks has been very involved in the Skeet and Trap team by helping the team market itself and helping establish itself



so far. Shanks said he hopes to become even more involved by going to their shoots and helping with their upcoming

fundraiser.
"I've been quite surprised by the way
its taken off," Shanks added.
With 22 members on the roster it is
one of the largest teams in their league.
The team has been successful in recent
competitions, having placed around
fourth out of anywhere from seven to
twelve teams. twelve teams.
"We're getting known," Kiser said.

Every college and university would, deally, have one, but that isn't the case. he said. One of these reasons, which sometimes hinders NKU's Skeet and

sometimes hinders NNU's Skeet and Trap team, is cost.

The team initially pays for everything itself but receives reimbursement from the Office of Student Life through the Weekender Funding. This is a program for which teams can apply for an unspec ified, unguaranteed amount from the University.

exception of last year, they gave us four hundred dollars." Matt Moher, treasurer of the team, said. The team also collects

ons at their gun club. The NRA

donations at their gun club. The NRA donation is the largest amount they've received.

One or two shoots costs a lot money because the team pays for lodging and entry fees. The hast and shooting vests for the team were paid for by the members. Each member pays for his own hat, vest, food, ammunition and transportation to apid from the shoots.

Moher said the money was previously denied by the university because the university can't buy guns or ammunition for students.

"It's annoying. It's not like we're going out and holding up anybody," Kiser said. Moher quickly added they weren't ungrateful for the university's

contributions.

"It was four hundred dollars we didn't have." Moher said.

Shanks said the team is growing quick ly and there are more and more response everyday. He said he hopes that as the team grows so will the funding. The team is also becoming more diversified and is hoping to add a woman's squad. "That's [funding] is always a concern." Shanks said.

Women's soccer still undefeated

By Bruce A. Reller, Jr.

The Northern Kentucky University women's soccer team is undefeated through its first six games of the season and it is winning in large numbers. For instance, in last Friday's home opener at the Town and Country Sports Complex in Wilder, the Norse defeated Kentucky Wesleyan College 9-0. NKU scored six goals in the second half to come away with the dominating victory. "We played hard and played well," NKU coach Bob Sheehan said. Kentucky Wesleyan is a much improved team from last year.

last year.

NKU junior Stephanie Sandfoss said that the home atmosphere gives the team more confidence when playing its games.

"It's more fun winning at home with all the fans coming to watch up slay. It is nice to win by a lot at home," she said.

The Norse have now recorded four shutouts this season and have scored six or more goals in five of its games.

"We read the said." "We re all clicking right wow. We're running and keeping in

We're running and keeping

snape.

After just missing out on winning the national championship last year, NKU has proven that it is one of the teams to beat this season.

With plenty of help from their players, e Norse are not letting anyone stand in

their way.

NKU junior Bessie Black has been one of the many producers this season, scoring eight goals and helping out with 10 assists (both team highs).

Junior Kristen Noakes has also scored

Other maj

Other major contributors include sen-iors Jeanna Martin, Tricia Ruark, Betsy Moore. Martin, who scored seven goals, including two against Kentucky Wesleyan, added six assists on the year. Ruark scored six goals and three assists this season and tied an NKU record by

coring four goals in her team's 12-0 road orin against Wheeling Jesuit University a ouple weeks ago. Moore accomplished that same feat last

Moore scored five goals, with two last Friday, and three assists this season.

"We're playing well together. It's not just one person," said Sandfoss, who has two goals and five assists. "Everyone is contributing. It's not one outstanding star."

Sheehan said that the offensive and the defensive efforts of the team have helped them be so successful this season.

them be so successful this season.

"We have great balance in our scoring, both our striker and midfield positions. We spread it around. We hope our success comes from our balance," he said. "We have a lot of experience in the back. Jennifer Wilhelm, Lori Kevill, Eva Broeg season and the said around a proper year. and Amanda Trout have done very well. Becky Schnieders and Robyn Withers have also been a highest. have also been a big help. We are playing really sound. That is a key to our defen-

sive success."

The Norse, who are ranked No. 2 nationally in the National College Athletic Association's Division II poll, are now 6-0 on the year and 1-0 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

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FORUM

Bill Ellis, campus minister of the Baptist Student Union, said he spent the day listening and answering spiritual questions and concerns. He said some peop have been wondering if it is the end of the world. Ellis' answered this by saying, "I don't know; this is part of living in a world here sin is prevalent," he said

Katie Herschede, president of aid she has talked with the BSU to foster a prayer serv ice or vigil to help students later

'We can all come together for the common good and help each other out," she said.

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Local residents aid terrorism victims

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The "September 11th Fund"

was created almost immediately was created almost influence of the following the attacks to allow people to make financial contributions. Its purpose is to provide immediate relief to affected areas and help rebuild communities, according to a press release from the United Way.

The United Way's local

fundraising partner. The American Red Cross, is accept-ing only financial donations. Sondra Guile, community spe-cialist for The American Red

Cross, said the best way to pro mediate relief for the vic

ers ask families what they have and what their needs are. She said They sent six Cincinnati area

Washington D.C.
The American P

The American Red Cross can-not accept blood donations and refers all people wanting to donate blood to the Hoxworth Blood Center.

Guile said said those that donate can be sure that their donation will go towards the relief efforts

"The disaster victims are going receive 100% of the money we The disaster victims are going to receive 100% of the money we are raising at the Cincinnati area chapter," she said.

chapter," she said.

A representative for United Way said those wanting to donate non-monetary items can donate shorts, shoes, shirts, bottled water, and sports drinks to a local Salvation Army location.

Anyone wishing to make cred-

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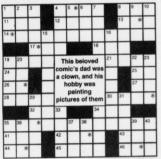
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Lighter Side



TV-CHALLENGE



The identity of the featured celebrity is found within the answers in the puzzle. In order to take the TV Challenge unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle

- ACROSS
 1. __My Children
 4. Belles on Their __; '52.
 Myma Loy movie
 8. Irving or Grant
 11. Benjamin Bratt's role
 12. Grate
 13. Butto or Sandro

- Ruby or Sandra

- Honey, I'm Home ; '91 24
- 25. *Rocky* __ ; 1985 film seguel
- sequel spielberg's '82 hit
- character
 Dick Cavett's state of
 birth: abbr.
 __ a Good Look; '59-'61
- 28
- quiz show
 Get __; 1999 sitcom
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 Taiwan
- Taiwan __ and the Single Girl; '64 Natalie Wood mov
- 100 ____ On Our __ ('94-'95) ___ Great Life ('54-'56) Norma __; Sally Field

- role Actress Susan 1987 best actress Oscar
- winner
 "... flowers that bloom in the spring, __..."

DOWN

1. Critter carrier

2. Accessory for Mr. Ho

- 3. Late comic Paul
 4. Donahue
 5. Jethro Bodine, for one
 6. Atty.'s letters
 7. Tater

- 8. Fred Astaire's sis

- 8. Fred Astaire's sis
 9. ___ Behaving Badly
 10. ___ Dear
 15. The __ American Hero
 ('81-'83)
 16. National Geographic __
 19. Brinkley's co-anchor
 20. Beatles' meter maid
 21. Turget
- First name for a daredevil Rudy's friend on *The* Cosby Show Put forth effort

- 33. Close 34. Word in the title of
- Mulgrew's series
 35. "Old Cape __"; 57 Patti
 Page song
 36. Bleater
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Red Skelton



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By C.C. Clark - eTVData Features Syndicate

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If you want to remain at the top of your game, you need to make some changes. Update your look and take some new classes. Taurus (April 21 - May 20)



There may need to be some adjustments made on the home front. Create a more peaceful environment for yourself.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20) There are times when you must go against the grain. It may not make you popular with your family, but it is the best thing for all those involved.



Cancer (June 21 - July 20)
Some much-needed financial advice comes your way, and you should listen carefully. Now is the



Leo (July 21 - Aug. 21) Your emotions may be getting the best of you.
Check with your doctor to make sure everything is in good working order.



Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 22) ends help you through the toughest situations, it is important to cherish your time with them. and it is important to cherish your time A special gift brings tears to your eyes.



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Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)



It may not be such a good thing that your reputa-tion precedes you. If you have the chance to start over, make the best of it.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 22) A relationship has stalled, and you aren't sure what to do about it. It is best to ride things out and see



Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 20)



You may need to take a short trip at a moment's notice. Take care of boring chores quickly so you won't feel guilty about having fun.



Capricorn (Dec. 21 - Jan. 19) Certain events have made you think twice about the direction of your life. Don't be afraid to make



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) A spouse or loved one needs to be reassured. Let this person know you care. Sometimes people need



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)
A friend invites you on a shopping trip, and you should go. Take a certain amount of money with you and leave the charge cards behind.

Born this week:

Sept. 16 – Lauren Bacall Sept. 17 – Anne Bancroft Sept. 18 – Frankie Avalon Sept. 19 – Jeremy Irons

Sept. 20 – Sophia Loren Sept. 21 – Larry Hagman, Faith Hill Sept. 22 – Scott Baio

What the... 261 ferrets

LAYTON Litah Jen Morrison bent the rules on the number of ferrets she could keep in her apartment. The town allows six. She had 261

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Neighbors and pet owners who had used her animal sanctuary had complained of the odor. When state officials arrived, they found the ferrets, a ring-necked dove and a federally protected

desert to st all the ferrets seized Sept. animals. 7 by Davis County Animal Care

tuaries across the country, director De Anne Hess said

We have legitimate ferret res cues that are going to take the ferrets," Hess said. "There is quite a network out there to save these

little guys."
"It's best the way it turned out," Morrison said, adding that she will not miss the massive am of work needed to care for the

"It's not worth it," she said.

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