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# Team NKU lobbies for more money

By Jenny Plamen  
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Student lobbyist-t is pounding the ears of state legislature members in an effort to get equal funding for Northern Kentucky University.

Team NKU, first formed in 2000 during the Chris Boggs administration in the Student Government Association, has over 200 members who devote themselves to lobbying

Kentucky's state legislature to increase funding.

When the Team travels to Frankfort, it presents Kentucky legislators with a personal image of NKU.

The team can give different student perspectives, said Chris Pace, SGA's legislative coordinator.

Team NKU also hosts Kentucky legislators on visits to campus so they can specifically see what NKU needs.

"I think it is really unique at this time to Northern Kentucky University that we have a student [lobbying] effort. That's something no one else has done, and as far as I'm concerned, they don't need to do it because it gives us an advantage," said Pace.

Pace referred to the issue of underfunding by the state, which NKU administrators and lobbyist are now addressing.

"[Roughly] 75 percent of the

University of Kentucky's money comes from the government, whereas Northern's is right around 40 percent," said Pace. "Percentage-wise, Northern is the worst-funded university in the state. When the state government doesn't give any money [to NKU] the students end up making up for it through tuition and fees."

Team NKU's next journey to Frankfort is scheduled for January. The trip is part of a mas-

sive effort by NKU to bring the issue of underfunding to the full attention of the state.

Plans are underway to hold the Board of Regents meeting and a reception for legislators and cabinet members at the capitol so students can talk with them on a personal level.

Anyone can participate in Team NKU. If interested in joining, stop by the SGA office to pick up an application form or e-mail Pace at [ChrisPace1@aol.com](mailto:ChrisPace1@aol.com).

## NKU state funding straggles behind other Ky universities

### NKU funding

'Northern Kentucky University remains the least public of the Commonwealth's public universities.'

- James Votruba

By Susan Bartels  
News Editor

Where, oh where is the state money for Northern Kentucky University? That's the question being asked as administrators get ready to bump up tuition for the 2002 academic year.

NKU receives the least amount of state funding of all the universities in the state.

Even with benchmark funding, which provided NKU with the largest percentage increase of any Kentucky university, it still lags behind. Recent figures provided by Gerald Hunter, associate vice president for financial planning and institutional research, show NKU is underfunded by \$21.6 million a year.

"Northern Kentucky University remains the least public of the Commonwealth's public universities," said NKU president Dr. James C. Votruba in his fall convocation address.

According to Votruba, student tuition and fees account for approximately 50 percent of NKU's public funding. By contrast, tuition at other universities in the state account for 27 to 40 percent of their public funding.

What that means in dollars and cents is for every dollar paid by NKU students in tuition and fees, the state matches it with 97 cents.

Other universities in the state receive anywhere from \$1.51 to \$2.74 for every student dollar spent on tuition and fees.

"There is no reason why NKU students should be so disadvantaged relative to their peers," Votruba said in the address.

The problem with underfunding didn't arise overnight. According to Hunter, underfunding is a result of three variables. The first is NKU's roots as a community college.

Formulas for funding gave more money to baccalaureate, graduate and doctoral degree colleges. As NKU grew into a university, funding did not keep up, mainly because of state budget restrictions and the politics of the state.

"When we were growing, the state

didn't have the resources to invest in higher education," Hunter said.

Unfunded growth became the second reason for underfunding. NKU had an explosive growth during a period of limited funding. Hunter explained.

"The demand was here," said Hunter. "We had students coming in saying we want to attend and we're open admissions. Then boom! No state support."

Politics played in as the third reason for underfunding.

"Institutions went down separately instead of as a system," Hunter said. "Whose the best funded is who has had the most influence in the legislature."

Because of a lack of strong political clout in Frankfort, NKU was unable to secure the funding that other universities in the state with stronger political ties could achieve.

"We're the youngest institution," said Votruba. "Our caucus was probably the least powerful."

Plans to lobby the legislature are in the works. Dr. Robin Cingler, executive assistant to the president, said in January the plan is to have the board of Regents meeting in Frankfort.

NKU's Team 2000 and other students will go to stop by caucus and leadership offices.

A reception will be given at the end of the day for students to talk with members of the general assembly and cabinet to let them know how the underfunding affects them as students.

Hunter sees benchmark funding as the key to resolving the underfunding dilemma.

"We're now getting to a point where we've identified this benchmarking process," said Hunter. "We've established this very aggressive higher education agenda and have a governor who understands the connection between higher education and economic development."



### Are students footing the bill?

Created by Jason Dobbins

## Student fees help correct underfunding by state

By Karen Andrew  
Copy Editor

Prior to the beginning of each new semester, Northern Kentucky University's Bursar office mails billing packets to all students. Included in the packets is a "Quick Reference for Questions" sheet, which generally describes student fees.

All Northern Kentucky University students must pay these fees as well as tuition. While tuition is capped at 12 credit hours, which means no extra tuition is charged for 13 or more credit hours, the mandatory fees are not capped.

These fees include the Student Incidentals Fee of \$13 per credit hour for all enrolled students, the Support of Learning Surcharge, a \$2 per credit hour fee assessed to all under-

graduate and graduate students and the \$20 per credit hour Library and Learning fee applied only to law students.

It may sound like a great deal of money for each student to pay out until the purpose and use of the fees is explained.

"They basically fund a number of different areas such as student government and programs," said Robert A. Neumann, director of bursar operations. "Some have been used for various technical enhancements throughout the campus such as Internet access."

Gerald E. Hunter, associate vice president for financial planning and institutional research, explained, "NKU is different among area schools in that it is underfunded. For every \$1 in tuition an NKU student pays, the state matches with 97

cents. It's around \$1.50 for all the other schools."

Hunter said the reason for this discrepancy is NKU, a fairly new school, grew when the state didn't have much money for growth. Because there is no flexibility to generate additional revenue, NKU is forced to use supplemental fees.

Students end up paying more costs than they should, said Kate Herschels, president of the Student Government Association.

"We are the most private public university. Students kick in more than the state," said Herschels. "We see our fees in action everyday and benefit from them directly. They are targeted to very specific things." She said one of the projects the fees are used for is the funding of the new student union reserve account. Fees also assist the athletic

program by helping to improve equipment and facilities and provide scholarships to bring in athletes. Hunter added that the fees used to support athletic programs do not fully support them but are a supplement. Other money is raised through private donations. Both Herschels and Hunter said that it was imperative to support NKU's athletic programs for several reasons including building name recognition for the school.

Hunter also touched on the technology fee by saying that it generates about \$1 million a year, which is what it costs to equip all of the campus computer labs, teaching labs, Smart classrooms, student computers and anything technologically related.

Mark G. Shanley, vice president for student affairs and enrollment

management, explained the funds are used for many student services like the Activities Programming Board, student clubs and organizations, SGA, campus recreation and the University Center.

"The Support of Learning Surcharge helps with perishable supplies, such as books for the library, materials for labs and photocopying handouts for courses," he said. Shanley also said the fees' revenue helped support the Invest in Success Initiative by providing a significant increase in the number of academic advisors.

They also assisted with funding for tutors in the mathematics labs, initiatives for retention of students such as the "NKU Rocks" program and first year programs such as University 101.

# NEWS

## Student interest brings three more creative writing courses

By Robin Hampton  
Staff Writer

Shakespeare, beware. Creative writers on campus now have more classes available where they can fine-tune their craft.

For the first time, Northern Kentucky University is offering three upper-level creative writing classes during the same semester.

Student interest brought the additional offerings, according to Andy Miller, who is currently the only full-time faculty member teaching upper-level creative writing courses.

In the past, students could take fiction writing in the fall semester and poetry writing in the spring. Miller taught both classes.

He felt the faculty for creative writing courses also needed to expand with the additional course offerings.

"I was the only teacher for all the creative writing classes," Miller said. "That is not necessarily the best."

Last spring, Miller brought author Stephen Leigh on campus to teach Science Fiction and Fantasy Writing. Leigh has penned 16 novels and has published over 24 short stories.

"Andy's doing a good job strengthening the [writing] program at NKU," Leigh said.

Dr. Danny Miller, Literature and Language Department Chair agreed.

"A goal of the department is to

expand the creative writing program," Danny Miller said. "We are trying to do that by having guest instructors each semester."

Leigh returned this fall to teach Introduction to Creative Writing (ENG 292), which is the pre-requisite for all upper-level creative writing classes. Leigh is also teaching Novel Writing in the spring.

Students should complete the course with two completed chapters and a synopsis for the novel.

Terri Ford, a published poet, is another addition to the creative writing staff.

Ford currently teaches ENG 292 and will teach Poetry Writing during the spring semester.

Danny Miller described guest instructors as "the exciting part" and "very good for our students."

Andy Miller is currently teaching Fiction Writing. The class is at capacity with 24 students.

"We're hoping for at least 15 students per class," Andy Miller said.

Novel, poetry, and humor writing are all options within the English department for the spring semester.

The theatre department is also offer-



Stacey Sutton/The Northerner  
Carol Cal reading her short story, *The Jewels Monkeys*, in Andy Miller's writing classes. Cal has published short stories and poetry along with selling 10 novels.

ing screenwriting. Andy Miller, who has had various limericks, parodies, and humorous fiction and non-fiction published, is teaching Novel Writing in the spring.

The course will cover many genres, such as verse, fiction, non-fiction and plays.

"Next semester is an experiment," Andy Miller said. If there is enough student interest, he hopes the expansion continues.

## DPS Reports

OCT 31 2001-Wednesday-05:39pm

Location: PARKING LOT L - CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF A FORGED INSTRUMENT-3rd Degree

A 1993 Jeep Cherokee (Red) was located with a forged NKU Student Parking Permit. The vehicle owner was located and questioned. The permit was confiscated and placed into evidence. The subject was issued a Kentucky State Citation for Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument-3rd Degree and received a date to appear in Campbell County District Court.

OCT 31 2001-Wednesday-12:06pm

Location: DORMS/COMMONWEALTH/GOLDEN-ROD/THIRD FLOOR-D-WING - HARASSMENT - sexual harassment

Female subject came to DPS Office to report problems with a male subject. She stated that she knows the subject from high school. The complainant stated that the male shows up on campus, coming to her room, and also calls her on the telephone. The complainant states they never had a relationship and does not want any contact with him now. The complainant wished to file a restraining order against the subject. The complainant was directed to the Campbell County Attorney's Office in reference to the restraining order. The incident remains open and under investigation.

OCT 31 2001-Wednesday-11:12am

Location: PARKING LOT G - CRIMINAL MISCHIEF-3rd Degree

Male subject came to DPS Office to report that tires on his vehicle had been slashed. The complainant stated that both drivers in the passenger side and one on the driver's side had been dam-

aged. The complainant parked his vehicle at the listed location and walked his girlfriend to class. At this time, her ex-boyfriend drove by yelling her name. The complainants did not speak to him, continuing on to her class. Upon returning to the vehicle, the damage was discovered. There has been previous contact between the subjects that has involved other local police agencies. The incident remains open and under investigation.

OCT 30 2001-Tuesday-10:58am

Location: A.S. & T. BUILDING - FIRST FLOOR-WOMEN'S RESTROOM - THEFT BY UNLAWFUL TAKING-Under \$300

Female subject reported that while she was in restroom, at the listed location, a subject removed her bookbag from the shelf. The complainant stated that the book bag, cream-colored, contained four (4) books, two (2) calculators and personal items. The NKU Bookstore and Campus Book and Supply were alerted to the theft. The NKU Physical Plant Office was alerted to have the custodial personnel notify DPS should they find a discarded book bag. At 12:50 pm, Campus Book and Supply reported that a female subject had sold them four (4) books matching the description of the stolen books. The books were turned over to DPS. At 01:02 pm, NKU Dispatch was notified, by the Physical Plant Office, that a book bag was found in the A.S. & T. Building. DPS Officer confirmed that the book bag belonged to the complainant. A description of a possible suspect and vehicle was obtained from the complainant and the Campus Book and Supply personnel. The incident remains open and under investigation.

## Phone harassment investigation heats up



Photo Contributed  
Female dorm residents on campus have been receiving harassing phone calls.

### DPS questions suspect but won't release his/her identity

By Rick Amburgey  
Features Editor

The Department of Public Safety is currently investigating multiple cases of female dorm residents receiving threatening phone calls.

No arrests had been made at press time, but DPS Lt. Col. Jeff Martin said they are looking at a suspect. Martin said they believe the unidentified caller in each case is the same person.

"They are saying basically the same thing to each victim," he

said.

The charge, terroristic threatening, implies that the caller has made a threat of physical harm, Martin said.

Martin said he could not elaborate on the nature of the threats, citing there were certain things that were said that they want to question the suspect about.

He said DPS has been working with the NKU phone system and Cincinnati Bell.

Martin would not comment on if the phones in the victim's dorm rooms have been tapped.

Barbara Barnes, telecommunications specialist in NKU's Telecommunications Department, said they work with DPS on phone harassment cases.

Barnes said they are assisting DPS in this case.

"We're able to track calls. We're able to trace them," she said.

Martin said DPS plans to prosecute, although it is unclear whether it will be state or federal.

"There is a possibility of a federal prosecution in this case," Martin said.

Martin said the penalty under federal prosecution would depend on the suspect's past.

He said under state law, the suspect could likely face one year in county jail and/or a \$500 dollar fine for each event.

Martin said there are at least half a dozen cases of terroristic threatening.

Todd Duncan, director of University Housing, said that he encourages students to make a report with DPS if they receive any calls that concern them.

Duncan said University Housing can coordinate changing of phone numbers. He said students can let them know if they prefer for their number to be non-published.

Duncan said they have a close relationship with DPS.

"We're always looking for ways to make that relationship closer for the benefit of residential students," he said.



### Employment Opportunities at Family Nurturing Center

**Nurturing Program Assistant** — Part-time — 15 hours/week. Assist Director with operation of Nurturing Parenting Programs. Maintain supplies at all sites, compile statistics, maintain client database. Work in groups as needed. Education: Experience: High school diploma/GED. Strong organizational, interpersonal, and computer skills. Experience with children and families, child dev t. Pay range: \$7.25 - \$9/hour EOE

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November 5<sup>th</sup> thru 10<sup>th</sup> 2001

Join the Office of Adult Learners, Evening/Weekend Services for fun-filled activities.

 **Wednesday November 7, 2001** 5 pm till 6 pm in the U.C. TV lounge- In honor of Non-Tradition Student Week help us determine what's important to you. Join us for an informal gathering with food and beverages provided.

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# WORLD & NATION

## World

### Gunmen firebomb house in Kingston, JA

KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP) - Gunmen raided a rival neighborhood Tuesday in the politically divided Jamaican capital, firing shots wildly and tossing a home-made firebomb at one home, police said.

No one was reported hurt in the attack on the Bentley Lane neighborhood, police said, but a family of ten were left homeless by the firebomb attack.

There were no arrests.

The gunmen were from the nearby Rose Town neighborhood, a stronghold of the Jamaica Labor Party, police said. Bentley Lane residents traditionally back the governing People's National Party.

Gangs with clashing political loyalties dominate several areas of the city, specially West Kingston, where gunfights flared in May, leaving nearly 100 people dead in three months.



Collin Reid/AP Photo Contributed

Soldiers of the Jamaica Defense Force leave their base at Up Park Camp in Kingston, Thursday, Nov. 1, 2001 to enforce a curfew in areas of western Kingston, where shooting between rival communities occurred yesterday.

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### Former IRA commander offers disarmament reassurances

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) - A former commander of the Irish Republican Army - offered Wednesday to meet with hard-line Protestant lawmakers who have expressed deep skepticism over the Catholic militant group's recent moves on disarmament.

Martin McGuinness, a leader of the IRA-linked Sinn Fein party and education minister in Northern Ireland's coalition government, said his party had contacted the two lawmakers and offered to address their concerns.

Sinn Fein officials have contacted Pauline Armitage personally and Peter Weir's office offering to meet with them to impress upon them the magnitude of the IRA initiative and attempt to allay any fears they might have," said McGuinness, who is rumored to maintain close ties with the IRA.

It is only right that I make myself available to meet with them also," he said.

Armitage and Weir have said they may not support a bid by David Trimble, leader of their Ulster Unionist Party, to reclaim his position at the head of the joint Protestant-Catholic government.

Trimble quit as first minister of Ireland's power-sharing assembly in July, frustrated by the IRA's refusal to honor past promises to disarm.

With the government spinning toward total collapse, the outlawed group last week destroyed an undisclosed stash of weapons, explosives and ammunition. Independent inspectors verified the move, and Trimble announced he was satisfied the amount had been significant.

But hard-line members of his party are not so sure. They want reassurances that the IRA will continue to destroy weapons until it has completely disarmed.

Trimble faces a close legislative vote later this week. He may not gain the majority of Protestant support he needs without Armitage and Weir.

Meanwhile, British Deputy Prime Minister John Prescott urged Protestant paramilitary groups to follow the IRA's lead. "We hope that the loyalist paramilitaries will respond by decommissioning arms themselves," Prescott said during a House of Commons debate in London.

## Nation

### New York enforcing ban on hand-held phones while driving

By MICHAEL GORMLEY  
Associated Press Writer

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) - Police will begin enforcing the nation's first law banning hand-held cellular phone use while driving on Thursday, though offenders will be let go with a warning and a brochure until Dec. 1.

First-time violators face a \$100 fine after that. A second conviction could bring a \$200 fine and subse-

quent violations could cost \$500. Until March, courts may dismiss tickets with proof that motorists have purchased a hands-free phone device.

Such accessories, from ear "buds" to headsets, have been big sellers since the law was passed in June. But Paul Adams, a real estate developer who averages 25,000 miles a year on the road, wonders if the attachments will distract drivers. "They're all fumble with their

headset, they're not sure how to use it, they're panicking," Adams said. "This is a new learning curve."

The ban drew national headlines and scorn from some politicians but similar legislation is pending in 42 other states.

New York state has about 6 million of the country's 123 million cell phone users, industry statistics show.

### Lawsuit settlement: students no longer subject to searches

LORDSBURG, N.M. (AP) - In a settlement of a lawsuit, the Lordsburg school system agreed to stop subjecting students to searches by drug-sniffing dogs.

The lawsuit filed by attorneys for the American Civil Liberties Union had argued that the searches violated students' constitutional right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizure.

A hearing was scheduled for Monday but school officials decided to delay that to settle the case. In addition to stopping the use of dogs, they agreed to pay plaintiffs' attorney fees and costs.

School officials decided the dogs were no longer necessary because of other effective ways of seeking out

'Very questionable, intrusive practice, and just not necessary.'

drug possession, such as observation of student behavior, said Charles Hayes, superintendent in the 800-student district.

During the searches, conducted randomly since 1997, a targeted school was placed under lockdown and a dog, restrained on a leash, walked up and down rows of desks, which were sealed at their desks.

The searches were initiated because the Lordsburg area is "on the marijuana superhighway," said Frank Albertina, an attorney representing the school district.

Lordsburg is in the state's southwestern boot heel, which borders Mexico and is designated a high-intensity drug trafficking area by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

Plaintiffs' attorney Jane Gagne said that while the use of dogs to sniff lockers and cars on school property is an established practice, using dogs to sniff students is a "very questionable, intrusive practice, and just not necessary."

## Local

### Kentucky wins federal grant to reform high schools

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) - Kentucky has won a "high school reform grant" of nearly \$11 million from the U.S. Department of Education officials said Wednesday.

Under the grant, Kentucky would get \$98,000 to help selected high schools develop model programs to increase student academic and technical skills.

The grant provides a minimum of

\$200,000 per individual high school, or \$400,000 for a consortium of high schools. The state Department of Education targets four types of high schools.

Those that have demonstrated "significant effort and progress" in implementing practices that led to increased student achievement.

Large high schools - 1,400 or more students - that develop career

academies.

Schools with high percentages of poor and minority students.

Low-performing schools that can demonstrate "commitment and readiness" to implement innovative instructional practices.

Twenty-one states applied for grants, and five were approved, according to the state agency.

### Federal agency to focus on places missing out on the 'New Appalachia'

By ROGER ALFORD  
Associated Press Writer

BOONEVILLE, Ky. (AP) - When the Appalachian Regional Commission formed to help the region gain economic parity with the rest of the nation, this distressed mountain town was just the kind of place that needed its help.

Over the past 36 years, people here watched as the ARC pumped billions of dollars into the region for highways and economic development projects.

But Booneville and surrounding Owsley County got no roads, no jobs. It remains, as it was then, one of the poorest places in the nation.

So when the ARC meets in eastern Kentucky later this week to boost about the gains it has made for what it calls the "New Appalachia," it will also strengthen its commitment

to those places that have been left behind.

"Clearly, our work is not done," said Duane DeBruyne, spokesman for the federal agency. The greatest part of our focus, energy and resources now are on the remaining distressed counties.

They generally are characterized as having the most severe terrain and being the most sparsely populated."

Since the ARC was created in 1965, the number of distressed counties in Appalachia has dropped from 218 to 118.

Most are grouped in Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee. Kentucky has 40, the largest number of any Appalachian state. West Virginia has 26; Mississippi, 13; and Tennessee, 10.

Anticipation of help is palpable among the 4,800 residents of

Owsley County, many of whom have to commute two hours away to Lexington and beyond to find jobs.

Never before has this place of high ridges and deep valleys been so poised to receive federal and state development assistance.

"Our ultimate aim is that there will not be this glaring, concentrated pocket of distress in central Appalachia," DeBruyne said.

Nearly 50 percent of 4,800 residents in Owsley County live in poverty, according to the Kentucky Appalachian Commission.

Per capita income here is \$10,474. That's far poorer than the Appalachian portion of Kentucky as a whole, where 26 percent of the residents live in poverty and where per capita income is \$14,168.

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# FEATURES

## Best of NKU and Cincinnati too

By Scott Wartman  
Executive Editor

After 20 years of helping small businesses get started, Northern Kentucky University's Small Business Development Center was named "best friend to mom-and-pop" businesses in the October Best of the City issue of "Cincinnati Magazine."

Sutton Landry, SBDC's director for 15 years, said he was surprised to receive the award.

"After 15 years here, we are an overnight success," Landry said.

When compiling the Best of the City issue, "Cincinnati Magazine" senior editor Linda Vaccarello said she talked to many people who are satisfied with the help at NKU's SBDC and its two consultants, Landry and assistant center director Sam Asmah.

"The two guys are really helpful, creative and practical," Vaccarello said. "They are interested in helping out entrepreneurs."

The SBDC consults with new entrepreneurs giving them tips on overcoming the many obstacles in starting a business. Landry and Asmah both privately consult with business owners and provide public seminars throughout northern Kentucky dispensing information on

the legal and financial issues of business ownership. Landry said the center fields may inquiries via the telephone.

"For a lot of folks, we are an emergency room," Landry said. "They come in when they have an acute problem, and we help them solve that problem or refer them to someone who can solve that problem."

Without the SBDC's help, business owner Ken Stock said he would not know where he could have gone to get the necessary information for starting a business. In 1998, Stock and four other partners started Welco, a hardware supply store. He said a seminar conducted by the SBDC gave him a structure and a guideline to start his business.

Since then, Stock said he has a close relationship with SBDC that helps him with any problems he may have. With five partners running a company, Stock said it can be complicated in delegating responsibilities, even if the SBDC gives them solutions to such dilemmas.

"I have been able to call Sutton (Landry) and he has always been there," Stock said.



## KY's 25 cents worth

By Samantha Warner  
Staff Writer

A quarter commemorating Kentucky's historic background made its debut on Oct. 18. The coin was released as part of the 2001 series issued by the U.S. Mint as part of its 50 State Quarter Program.

The program was started by the U.S. Mint in 1999 to commemorate each of the nation's states in the order they joined the union. Teaching people about each state's history and geography is the goal of the program.

A stately mansion on Federal Hill with an inscription that reads "My Old Kentucky Home" is engraved on the coin. Positioned behind a fence in the foreground of the coin is a thoroughbred horse that commemorates the Kentucky Derby, the longest running annual horse race in the country.

The design shows a side view of

the famous Bardstown home where Stephen Foster wrote the song, "My Old Kentucky Home."

Kentucky first lady Judi Patton headed the Kentucky Quarter Project Committee. Twelve finalists were selected from 1,800 designs submitted from across the state. The designs were displayed in the front lobby of the capitol in Frankfort and over the Internet in 1999. Fifty thousand Kentucky residents cast votes for their favorite concept.

Governor Paul E. Patton selected the final design.

To learn more about the Kentucky Quarter, the 50-State Quarter Program and other U.S. Mint programs, go to [www.usmint.gov](http://www.usmint.gov).

## One brother against another

By Samantha Warner  
Staff Writer

The world premiere of "The Brother's Keeper" by Ken Jones opened Oct. 25 at Northern Kentucky University's Black Box Theatre.

The play is set in the year 1942 in the home of the main character, Scott Bentley, played by Freshman Andrew Bernhard. The action involves Scott remembering an earlier year with his mother, father and fiancée.

As Scott's memories emerge, his

father and mother are talking to him in his mind. Director Samuel J. Zachary displays these flashbacks and memories brilliantly.

At some points in the play it is difficult to understand each character because they speak at the same time. By using this technique you understand how confused and disturbed Scott is about his life.

Scott does a remarkable job of switching from past to present. Danny Bentley, Scott's brother, played by senior Jason Courtney does a wonderful job of bringing humor to the play.

Danny wants to get married but also wants to go to war leaving Scott alone. Scott doesn't want Danny to leave because it has been Scott's responsibility to take care of Danny. Scott goes into a rage and almost beats Danny to death, causing severe injury to his back and prevents him from going to war.

The actors do a masterful job of expressing how emotional each character in the play is meant to be. Scott's abusive childhood is apparent and explains his abusive nature at an older age. It also shows how unfortunate it is that abused children

typically grow up to be abusive themselves.

The play was a bit depressing, yet you leave the theater realizing because some poor children are so tortured by their parents that when they grow up they really do not lead a normal life.

The play was very different, even though I was pre-warned that I would leave depressed. It was obvious that the play was meant to express the depression of the characters.

## By the numbers

# 20

The number of ties owned by NKU President James Votruba

# \$30

The amount per credit hour for in-state tuition at NKU in the 1982-83 school year for 12 credit hours

# \$86

The amount per credit hour for out-of-state tuition at NKU in 1982-83

# 5,000

The approximate number of rooms on NKU's campus

# 5,121

Number of men on campus

# 5,452

The number of parking spaces on campus, excluding handicap spaces

# 7,425

Number of women on campus

## Joining a sisterhood for Christ

By Rick Amburgey  
Features Editor

One of Northern Kentucky University's newest organizations is the Christian Women's Sisterhood, a Christian sorority. NKU student Meredith Ward said she started the organization, which is also known as Alpha Sigma Chi, because she thought it would be a great new campus ministry.

"I remember how lonely it was to be a freshman and looking for a place to belong," she said.

The organization's staff adviser Christy Marlow said this Christian sorority differs from Greek groups because Alpha Sigma Chi's focus is on faith.

Marlow said this organization is open to all women on campus, including members of other sororities.

"If there are girls on campus that are already involved in a Greek group, they can be involved in our organization," she said.

Ward said the Christian Women's Sisterhood is now officially an organization. She added that the Office of Student Life was extremely helpful in the process to become an organization. Because they do not receive funding from the university, Ward said members pay minimal dues. She said she is currently seeking funding from outside sources.

"Our hope is because we're a campus ministry as well as a sisterhood, we will make it so no one will have to pay dues," she said.

Ward explained that the sorority will take part in weekly fellowship time, monthly service projects and assisting the other campus ministries. She said one way they will assist other ministries is by having various NKU campus ministers speak at meetings. Ward said there are currently about 27 members and there is no deadline to join.

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# VIEWSPOINTS

## North Poll

"Did you know that NKU is the most underfunded university in KY? Do you think a tuition hike will solve the situation?"



**Lukmen Ellis**  
Freshman, IFS

"No. If the money's well used and if the amount needed is acquired, then it will be a success."

**Krista Beineke**  
Junior, Psychology



I did not know that NKU is growing so fast. I would hope that the 5.5 percent will help, but I still think it's pretty high.



**Rong Hui Lee**  
Junior, Engineering

No. No tuition is kinds high for international students already.

**Becky Myers**  
Senior, Psychology



I didn't know we were the most underfunded. Obviously we need more funding from the state, but the 5.5 percent is really high.

## Security overload

By Tarris "Trey" Horton  
Northerner Contributor

What started out as a joke turned into a serious situation on Oct. 27, 2001 in the Greater New Orleans Airport. 14 Northern Kentucky University students flew to New Orleans to attend a media conference on Oct. 24. Jeff Miller, the sales manager from WNTV, was flagged and profiled to be searched at every security check point that we came to. To us, this was a joke, and if anyone who knows Jeff Miller knows that he turned the situation into a joke.

It started at the Greater Cincinnati Airport and we said if he was flagged to be searched again, that we were going to get footage of him being searched. When leaving New Orleans on Oct. 27, we arrived at the Airport two hours early and sure enough, Jeff Miller was to report to the security checkpoint before he got on the plane. So I got out the WNTV camera and started to record.

All of the sudden, the flight attendant who was taking tickets came from behind the desk and swiftly approached me. She told me to turn the camera off, give her my ticket and come with her. She then asked me to give her the tape. "The tape," I pleaded, "it has all of our footage from New Orleans."

She didn't care, she wanted that tape, but I wasn't going to give it up. She called the head of security who approached me saying that I had committed a federal crime. Federal crime, I thought. That's our current prison time. No more kids. No more wife. No more college. I was scared to death. And all over something that started out as a joke.

I proceeded to tell the head of security that I was a college student on a media convention with NKU. He took my ticket from the flight attendant and punched in my information to indeed find out that I was telling the truth. Once again, he asked for the tape.

I changed the subject and slipped the tape into my front pocket. After a couple of minutes, which seemed like a couple of hours, I was finally let on the plane where I was greeted by my friends from WNTV and The Northerner. Security thought that I put the tape on the table, but I got on the plane with my tape.

Sept. 11 has truly changed America, but I'm not going to let a terrorist attack change me into being intimidated. To stop my progress in life. However, this situation has me questioning the mind-state of airport security. The head of security told me that he could drag me into a room for interrogation if he wanted to. Now come on, I think that's taking it a bit too far, especially since the day we arrived in New Orleans a man boarded a plane with a gun.

I guess since Sept. 11 none of our lives will ever be the same. But I'm here to say I will fly again.

The views expressed on the viewpoints page do not necessarily reflect the views of The Northerner, its editors, or its writers. The individual articles express those of the authors. The Northerner and its staff respect the right to a free and open dialogue as allowed under the First Amendment.

## You can't sugarcoat racism

By Brian K. Powell  
Senior History Major

It's Tuesday evening in Landrum Hall. All classmates have returned from the allotted fifteen-minute break. Before the professor returns and class resumes, one student decides to flex his wit and wisdom by sharing recollections of a gay student at his high school. Now, like any good bigot, he inoculates himself from criticism by pointing out that this particular individual in question "was one of the guys." Of course, that makes any subsequent comments excusable, right?

Wrong. Bigots, racists, and other elitists often mask their insensitivity and prejudice with "rationalized niceties", so to speak. They fluff it up, they remove the bite, and they present it with a smile. Yet, underneath the sugarcoating there remains the taste of bile. It's still cruel, and it's still unacceptable.

I extrapolated from this incident several questions that I feel should be openly addressed. Would the story had been different had the subject been a black male, or perhaps a blind woman? Does it matter? What immediate gratification does one receive from diminishing the humanity of another individual? Furthermore (and most important in our subsequent discussion herein), what is more bothersome: the fact that an NKU student feels the liber-

ty on campus to openly ridicule a minority member, or the jocular laughs that same student receives from fellow NKU classmates?

These are difficult questions, for they require us, as a campus community, to collectively look into a mirror and determine if we like what we see. I think the answer to this question is a resounding no. I love NKU. I'm committed to its success and truly believe that it has much to offer the Tri-State and the nation, but these are not the images of NKU that I like to imagine. These are not the representations that I wish to impart on future entering classes of NKU students, and because of that, I believe we must act.

Unfortunately, the efforts of President Votruba are a mockery; those of Dean Wells and her assistants are a joke. Speaking on behalf of the University, they offer minority relations nothing more than hollow lip service that fails the tests of true leadership and action. Suggestions that other students and I have made over a year ago have yet to be implemented, undoubtedly tied up in endless bureaucracy and second-guessing.

One such recommendation that I made last year during a STAR's meeting was the incorporation of mandatory Sensitivity Training for all incoming freshmen. Critics deride this as mindless brainwashing. I believe it is essential, con-

ducive to positive student relations. With the incorporation of this program (to be conducted during Freshman Orientation), the University would accomplish two important goals: (1) it would be an official admission that minority members of our campus and society — African Americans, Latino Americans, Gay & Lesbian Americans, Asian Americans, etc. — have been and continue to be the objects of scornful and prejudicial treatment; and (2) the University adopts a program of zero tolerance for hate treatment of these same groups during each and all students' enrollments at NKU.

I ask you this: in how many more classrooms can we tolerate the above ridicule, the above laughter that I experienced just this week? How many more times do we allow our minority students to feel secondary in status and dignity? My goal is to educate, to change minds, and to change hearts. That is not brainwashing; that is character building. We must teach our students and leave for ourselves that we are not a homogeneous society, and in that diversity, we can find strength and unity. I urge you and I urge the University to act, to step before the looking glass. The answer is right there in the mirror: sensitivity training is a necessary first step; indeed, it is a must.

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# SPORTS

## Run, Norse, Run

What it's like to be a cross country runner at NKU

By Sarah Black  
Northern Contributor

After Northern Kentucky University junior Elaine Koenig finishes her classes, she runs. She may run anywhere from two miles to eight miles and, like most other cross-country runners, she does it daily.

A cross-country runner's day starts early and often runs late into the evening. Koenig, a journalism major, is in her second year with the team and said that her days start at 7 a.m. She is taking 13 credit hours this semester, and works 8-10 hours a week in the Administration and Finance Office on-campus.

Koenig said living off-campus could cause an inconvenience when there are early morning practices and when the team leaves for meets early in the morning.

Both teams practice Monday through Friday, race on Saturday and complete a recovery run on easy run that gives legs and muscles the chance to rest) on Sunday.

A typical practice starts at 3:30 p.m. and ends between 5 and 6 p.m. The first half hour is spent stretching. The rest of practice is spent running, doing hill workouts, speed workouts and running trails. Koenig, who placed first in the collegiate category at the Hagen

Stone Classic, provided what a sample week of practice might include. Monday would start with a 3-mile warm-up run, followed by speed work consisting of running repeats of short distances followed by a 2-mile cool-down run.

Tuesday may consist of an 8-mile run. Wednesday could begin with a 2-mile warm-up run, followed by speed work, and end with a 2-mile cool down. Thursday would include a moderate 4-mile run. Friday, the day before a race, would consist of an easy 3-mile run. Sunday would be spent recovering so team members generally run for about 40 minutes to give their legs and muscles a break.

Practice and meets are not the only components of being on the cross-country team. Kevin Alessandro, a senior speech communication major on the men's team, said some time outside of practice is spent checking results of teams in their conference and region.

Cross-country meets begin in mid-August and last until early November.

Dedicated team members spend time in off-season training and working out, too.

"If you want to be a good runner, you have to train all year," Koenig said.

Some cross-country members



Photo contributed

Matt King (left) and Marc Tiesman (right) in the middle of the pack at the Loyola Lakefront Invitational on Sept. 29.

run with the NKU track team in the spring to help better themselves. Brian Alessandro, speech communication major and a senior on the men's team, ran an average of 70 miles per week over the summer to keep him in shape. Depending on how much they want to improve and how good they want to be determines the time spent training in the off-season.

Some might ask why put so

much time and effort into an activity.

"I feel the time and effort I put into my sport, work and classes show determination and a willingness to be a leader," Brian Alessandro said.

Ryan Carskadon, a junior and information systems major, said that he likes cross-country because it is something he is good at, and because of the amazing feeling he

gets when he sees the results of his hard work.

Unity and friendships are formed among all the hard work and stress involved in being part of a team. Spending long hours together teaches the team to trust and respect each other.

Brian Alessandro, who is also the secretary of the student athletic advisory council, said when you get close to your teammates you

want to work extra hard and do well for them.

Although stressful, challenging and time-consuming, the overall feeling is that the cross-country runners are proud to be members of the team.

"I wouldn't change any of these things, and enjoy being a student athlete here at NKU," Brian Alessandro said.

## Intramural royal rumble returns

By Elias Hajjar  
Sports Editor

Northern Kentucky University's intramural basketball season is back and better than ever this fall.

Its season will consist of two leagues that begin play this month. One league will play only on

Mondays and the other only on Thursdays.

Monday's league comprises two divisions containing approximately eight teams each. Monday's league begins Nov. 5 in the Albright Health Center at 7 p.m.

Thursday's league comprises three divisions containing six teams

each. The league begins play on Nov. 1 in the Albright Health Center at 7 p.m.

The amount of competition should make this an interesting season, so if you are tired of seeing dunks, alley-oops and high-scoring games, go out and watch the intramural basketball season unfold.

## Athletes of the week

By Elias Hajjar/ Sports Editor Photos by Stacey Sutton/ Photo Editor

### Jamie O'Hara

Northern Kentucky University's Jamie O'Hara, a senior from Paducah, Ky., is "The Northerner" Female Athlete of the Week. O'Hara led the women's tennis team to its four straight Great Lakes Valley Conference championship with a 16-3 overall record this season.

"It's been great going undefeated all four years in the GLVC," said O'Hara. "I'm happy we won our fourth consecutive conference championship."

Thanks to the great play of O'Hara, NKU has not lost to a conference team since 1997.

O'Hara improved her career conference record to 44-0 when she defeated University of Southern Indiana's Michelle Lenahan, 6-1, 7-5 on Oct. 13.

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### Jeff Anderson

Northern Kentucky University's Jeff Anderson, a 5-foot-9-inch senior from Cincinnati, is The Northerner Male Athlete of the Week.

Anderson, a midfielder on the men's Norse soccer team, has lead the team with nine goals and five assists in 17 games. Anderson scored the last second, game-winning goal against the University of Missouri-St. Louis that clinched a first-round home game in the Great Lakes Valley Conference Tournament.

"It's great having a home game in the tournament," said Anderson. "Hopefully we can win it and move on to the next round."

Anderson not only hopes to win the first game of the GLVC Tournament, but more importantly the championship, which would give the Norse an automatic bid in the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Tournament.

In addition to being the Northerner Athlete of the Week, Anderson has been the GLVC Athlete of the Week and NKU Offensive Player of the Year twice.

"Jeff has come through for us many times when we needed him to in clutch situations," said Mike Posde, a junior midfielder. "He should have received this award a long time ago."



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# Other News

## NKU Men's soccer team loses to Quincy

### Norse lose 3-2 in first round of GLVC tourney

By Bruce A. Reller, Jr.  
Staff Writer

The Northern Kentucky University men's soccer team ended its season last Wednesday, a couple of games before it was ready.

For the second straight season, the Norse lost in the first round of the Great Lakes Valley Conference Tournament, 3-2 to Quincy University, at the Town and Country Sports Complex in Wilder, Ky.

"We played well. It was a pretty even game," NKU head coach John Toebben said. "Losing the game was disappointing for the gentlemen, but these things happen."

The Hawks got on the board first, taking a 1-0 lead midway through the first half of the game. Kevin Vaninger scored the unassisted goal for Quincy, who went into halftime holding a one goal lead.

NKU, the No. 4 seed in the tournament, outshot the No. 5 seed Hawks 5-2 in the first half but couldn't find any offense to speak of.

"We didn't have luck finishing, they did," Toebben said.

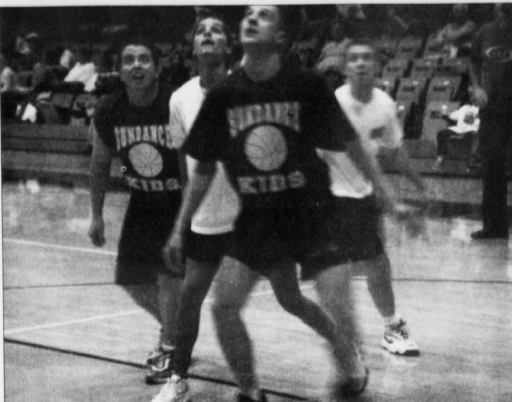
However, the Norse found their niche again early in the second half. With only one and a half min-

utes gone by in the half, NKU freshman David Gajus scored a goal off a cross by junior Mike Poole to tie the game at 1-1. About nine minutes later, Quincy regained the lead on a rebound shot by Simon Bitcon.

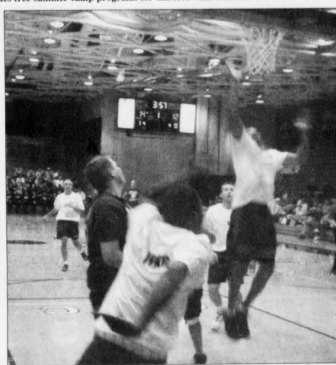
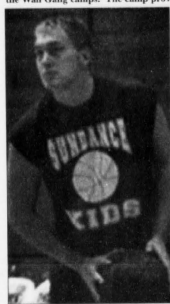
Later in the half, the Hawks put some distance between them and the Norse as Matt Spector knocked in a direct kick from around 30 yards out to give Quincy a 3-1 lead. The Hawks held that lead most of the second half, but NKU wasn't ready to give up quite yet. The Norse got on the board again with four minutes left in the game. Junior Ben Otto scored a goal off an assist by senior Kevin Crone as Quincy's deficit was cut to 3-2.

NKU would never threaten again as the team ended its season with the one goal loss to the Hawks. "In the second half, I think we controlled the game," Toebben said. "But we gave up goals we shouldn't have. We just didn't put the ball into the net." Quincy moved on to the semifinals of the GLVC Tournament as they played No. 1 seed Southern Illinois-Edwardsville. The Norse ended their season with a 10-9 record. The soccer team lost its last two games of the year. NKU now looks forward to next season. With only three seniors (Crone, Nathan Gindele and Aaron Pitzer) on this year's team, the Norse have plenty of experience coming back next season, including nine juniors and five sophomores.

"We are going to be stronger and more mature next season. We'll be better than this year," Toebben said.



NKU's Phi Kappa Tau battled against WKRC's Channeled 12 on Sat. Nov. 3 on the court to raise money for The Hole in the Wall Gang camps. The camp provides free summer camp programs for children with terminal diseases.



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## WNTV CHANNEL 15 MOVIE LISTINGS

### November 7

12:30 - 2 a.m. Deuce Bigalow  
2 - 3:40 a.m. Swordfish  
3:40 - 5:15 a.m. The Jerk  
5:15 - 6:35 a.m. The Emperor's New Groove  
6:45 - 8:25 a.m. Swordfish  
8:30 a.m. - 9 a.m. Blue Screen  
9 - 11 a.m. WNTV Programming  
11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Remember the Titans  
2 - 5 p.m. Burly Bear Network  
5 - 6 p.m. WNTV Programming  
6 - 7:20 p.m. The Emperor's New Groove  
7:30 - 9 p.m. Spy Kids  
9 - 11:40 p.m. Apollo 13

### November 8

12 p.m. - 1:40 a.m. Bridget Jones Diary  
2 - 3:20 a.m. The Emperor's New Groove  
3:30 - 5 a.m. Spy Kids  
5 - 7:40 a.m. Apollo 13  
7:40 - 9 a.m. Emperor's New Groove  
9 - 11 a.m. WNTV Programming  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Save the Last Dance  
1 - 2 p.m. Zilo Network  
2 - 5 p.m. Burly Bear Network  
5 - 6 p.m. WNTV Programming  
6 - 7:50 p.m. Varsity Blues  
7:50 - 9:25 p.m. The Waterboy  
9:30 - 11:20 p.m. Major League  
11:30 p.m. - 1:10 a.m. Swordfish

### November 9

1:15 - 3:05 a.m. Varsity Blues  
3:15 - 4:50 a.m. The Waterboy  
5 - 6:50 a.m. Major League  
7 - 8:40 a.m. Swordfish  
8:40 - 9 a.m. Blue Screen  
9 - 11 a.m. WNTV Programming  
11 a.m. - 1:20 p.m. Apollo 13  
1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Zilo Network  
2:30 - 3 p.m. Blue Screen  
3 - 5 p.m. Burly Bear Network  
5 - 6 p.m. WNTV Programming  
6 - 7:45 p.m. Ferris Bueller's Day Off  
8 - 10 p.m. Save the Last Dance  
10 p.m. - 12:05 a.m. The Best Man

### November 10

12:15 - 1:55 a.m. Swordfish  
2 - 3:45 a.m. Ferris Bueller's Day Off  
4 - 6 a.m. Save the Last Dance  
6 - 8:05 a.m. The Best Man  
8:15 - 9:55 a.m. Swordfish

### November 10

10 - 11:45 a.m. Ferris Bueller  
12 - 2 p.m. Save the Last Dance  
2 - 4:05 p.m. The Best Man  
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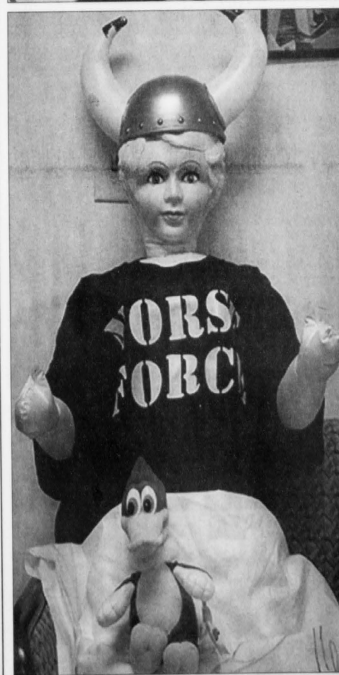
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Meet the new lady of NKU. The Norse Viking is the official mascot for Norse Hall in residential life. The idea for a mascot was brainstormed by the RAs.

# Lighter Side

## Campus alendar

### Fall Elections

Fall elections for NKU's Student Government Association will be on Nov. 7 and 8. Election packets are available in the SGA office in the University Center room 208 or in the Student Life office. Packets must be returned to Dean of Student office in the University Center room 346 no later than 3 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 19. For more information contact Jennifer Surgalski at (859) 572-5149.

### Honored Artist of Ukraine

On Friday Nov. 9, NKU's College of Arts and Science Department of Music presents Sergi Polunskiy, "Honored Artist of Ukraine", a Neyer family endowed chair at NKU, in a piano recital dedicating NKU's new Steinway. Special guest pianist Anna Polunskiy joins her father. The concert will be held in Greaves Concert Hall at 8 p.m. Admission is free and a reception will follow for more information call (859) 572-6399.

### Open Hearing

Campus Climate Task Force is holding an open hearing for all members of the campus community. The forum is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 8 at 1 p.m. in the Lucas Administration Center, room 122. For further information, go to Website [nku.edu/~climate](http://nku.edu/~climate).

### Lunch Seminar

Have lunch with Joe Hoeffert of the communications department, who will present, "Newspaper Headlines in Time of Crisis." The seminar will be held in the Faculty/Staff Dining Room of the University Center on Nov. 7 at 12:05 until 12:50 p.m. Don't forget to bring your lunch.

### Norse Basketball

The NKU Norse men's basketball vs. the University of Cincinnati Bearcats, at UC's Shoemaker Center on Nov. 10, 8:05 p.m. Admission is \$10 for students with NKU I.D. cards and \$20 for non-students. Tickets are on sale at NKU's University Center lobby from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.

### SGA Veteran's Day

SGA is sponsoring a Veteran's Day celebration on Friday, Nov. 9, 2 - 3:30 p.m., on the plaza outside of Steely Library. The program will include Anointed Voices, who will sing the national anthem and "American the Beautiful." Also to appear are the Holmes High School ROTC, the NKU pep band and Captain Steve Gilligan as the main speaker. There will be a flag ceremony and white doves will be released at the end.

### Non-Traditional Student Week Celebration

The Office of Adult Learners, Evening/Weekend Services will sponsor the second annual National Non-Traditional Student Week events, Wednesday, Nov. 7 from 5 - 6 p.m., in the University Center TV lounge and Saturday, Nov. 10 from 8 - 10:00 a.m. outside of room 200 of the Business, Education and Psychology building.

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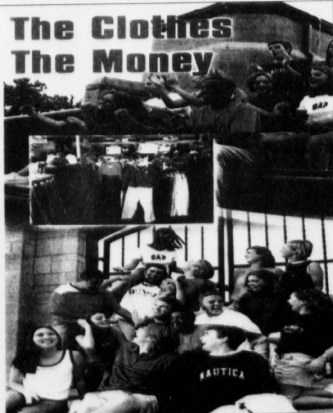
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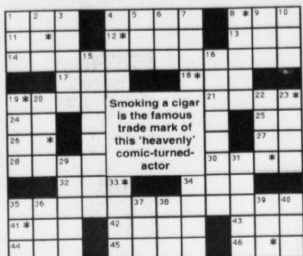
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## TV-CHALLENGE



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. Fullman of Judging Amy
  2. Lonesome ... The Series (94-'96)
  3. Laura Petrie's hubby
  4. Self-esteem
  5. Had second thoughts
  6. Actress O'Connor
  7. Jason Alexander role (2)
  8. Family ... For You, '95 sitcom
  9. Norm Peterson's drink
  10. For votes
  11. David's role
  12. Horsley's initials
  13. Insignie for Gingrich
  14. ... and Max: 80 sitcom
  15. Bandleader who played a bandleader
  16. Earth so
  17. Suffix for treat or expert
  18. ... Wednesday: 73 Liz Taylor movie
  19. Quiz show once hosted by Bill Cullen (3)
  20. Candy bar
  21. Baked gooey
  22. 50-50 grade
  23. Mimi Kennedy's role on The Two of Us (81-'82)
  24. I'll Fly ... (91-'93) show
  25. Howard of Norton
- DOWN**
1. Reynolds, to friends
  2. Long ... Tomorrow: 70 Malcolm McDowell
  3. James of Benson (79-'86)
  4. Win, Lose or ... All Night (92-'93)
  5. November honoree
  6. Actress Barbara
  7. Role on Make Room for Daddy
  8. Beetle wife
  9. Prohibit
  10. 1988-'91 western series
  11. The ... '66-'67 Barry Sullivan series
  12. Making the ... of Night
  13. Sesame Street character
  14. Meshach Taylor's role on Dave's World
  15. Gerald McRaney's '81-'88 title role
  16. Walker's portrayer
  17. Katt of the comics
  18. Mattok, for one: abbr.
  19. The Flying ... CA (67-'70)
  20. Santa ... CA
  21. Part of the title of Roy Clark's show
  22. Ex-coach Parsieghian
  23. Saran ... Charilyn
  24. Suffix for velvet or eight



## What the...

### Trick or Treat?

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) - A teen-age boy got into trouble at his high school after wearing a Halloween costume resembling a vagina.

Christian Silbereis' classmates at Community High School apparently were less offended by the costume, which was fashioned from a pink

cape, than the school administrators who suspended him Wednesday for the rest of the week.

The outfit took first place at the school's costume contest, where students selected the winners.

"It's anatomically correct," Silbereis told The Ann Arbor News, lifting up the cape to reveal a T-shirt bearing a rendering of a fetus.

The 17-year-old senior said he feels bad if the costume offended anyone but wondered why it would. "It's just another body part," he said. "They teach us about it in school."

Silbereis said his mother, Rosalyn Tulip, a midwife, created the costume last year and wore it to a party. When Silbereis asked if he could wear the outfit to school Wednesday, Tulip cautioned him that it might make some people uncomfortable.

She also, however, said she would support such a decision because it is a positive way for people to talk about their bodies, Tulip said.

"It's not about me being a pervert" or trying to make people angry, Silbereis said, adding that he respects women and their bodies.

Miriam Shabazz, 16, a junior at the high school, criticized the suspension.

"There's nothing inappropriate about what's given all of us life," she said.

"I just don't see what the big deal is," Silbereis said. "I mean, what if I was wearing an elbow costume? That's part of the body. Would they suspend me then?"

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#### Aries (March 21 - April 20)

There are some business matters that need your immediate attention. Once you get the work out of the way, you can concentrate on having some fun.



#### Taurus (April 21 - May 20)

Sometimes it is difficult to keep everything balanced. Take a step back now and then, and think about what is most important.



#### Gemini (May 21 - June 20)

Problems that were so important a while back don't seem as difficult now. More changes are on the way, and most of them are positive.



#### Cancer (June 21 - July 20)

You may be restricted as to how much you can assist a friend in need. Keep your eyes open for new opportunities.



#### Leo (July 21 - Aug. 21)

A health matter takes priority and you need to see to it immediately. Don't let someone's selfishness keep you from doing what is necessary.



#### Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 22)

Are you trying to do too much at one time again? Don't be afraid to ask for help when you need it, especially at work.



#### Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)

You may be busy, but you still feel something is lacking. Read books on spirituality to increase your awareness.



#### Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 22)

It is important to communicate with your mate. Stop trying to read between the lines and accept the situation for what it is.



#### Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 20)

Expenses are piling on, and you may be uncertain what the future holds. Ask a professional for help with your budget.



#### Capricorn (Dec. 21 - Jan. 19)

A more beautiful attitude is needed. The holiday season provides too many opportunities to imbibe in food and drink. Set limits for yourself.



#### Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

Do your holiday shopping early, and spend an afternoon making baked goods for friends. You'll feel happy with your accomplishments.



#### Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)

You know what must be done, and it is necessary to protect those most important to you. Social activities may need to be put on hold.

### Born this week:

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Nov. 11 - Calista Flockhart | Nov. 15 - Beverly D'Angelo     |
| Nov. 12 - Vincent Irizarry  | Nov. 16 - Lisa Bonet           |
| Nov. 13 - Whoopi Goldberg   | Nov. 17 - Danny DeVito, RuPaul |
| Nov. 14 - Prince Charles    |                                |

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